

# Chenggang Wu

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## EDUCATION

### University of California, Berkeley

- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Computer Science Aug 2015 – Present
  - Adviser: Joseph M. Hellerstein
  - Research areas: Data-centric Systems, Distributed Systems, Machine Learning

### University of California, Berkeley

- Master of Science (M.S.) in Computer Science Dec 2019
  - Program completed in 07/2019; Degree awarded in 12/2019.

### Brown University

- Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Computer Science May 2015
  - Magna cum laude with Honors in Computer Science.
  - Cumulative GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### RISE Lab, UC Berkeley

Sep 2016 – Present

- Hydro: a platform for stateful serverless computing that achieves an order-of-magnitude faster performance and stronger consistency than the state-of-the-art.
- Anna: an ultra-fast, flexibly consistent, autoscaling and cost-effective Key-Value Store.
- AFT: a fault tolerance shim for serverless applications that guarantees atomic visibility of updates.
- Naru: using deep unsupervised learning models to estimate the cardinality of SQL queries.

### CISL Lab, Microsoft

May 2017 – Aug 2017

- CardLearner: a system that learns cardinality models from previous query executions and uses them to aid the query optimizer in predicting the cardinalities of future queries.

### Data Management Research Group, Brown University

Jan 2014 – May 2015

- S-Store: a transactional stream processing system that simultaneously accommodates OLTP workload and streaming applications.
- Seer: a predictive prefetching and caching middleware for exploratory visualization of big data.

## PUBLICATIONS

- [1] *Transactional Causal Consistency for Serverless Computing.*  
**Chenggang Wu**, Vikram Sreekanti, Joseph M. Hellerstein.  
*SIGMOD 2020.*
- [2] *A Fault-Tolerance Shim for Serverless Computing.*  
Vikram Sreekanti, **Chenggang Wu**, Saurav Chhatrapati, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Joseph M. Hellerstein, Jose M. Faleiro.  
*EuroSys 2020.*
- [3] *Cloudburst: Stateful Functions-as-a-Service.*  
Vikram Sreekanti, **Chenggang Wu**, Xiayue Charles Lin, Johann Schleier-Smith, Jose M. Faleiro, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Joseph M. Hellerstein, Alexey Tumanov.  
*Preprint.*
- [4] *Deep Unsupervised Cardinality Estimation.*  
Zongheng Yang, Eric Liang, Amog Kamsetty, **Chenggang Wu**, Yan Duan, Xi Chen, Pieter Abbeel, Joseph M. Hellerstein, Sanjay Krishnan, Ion Stoica.  
*VLDB 2020.*
- [5] *Autoscaling Tiered Cloud Storage in Anna.*  
**Chenggang Wu**, Vikram Sreekanti, Joseph M. Hellerstein.  
*VLDB 2019, Best of Conference Selection.*

- [6] *Anna: A KVS For Any Scale*.  
**Chenggang Wu**, Jose Faleiro, Yihan Lin, Joseph M. Hellerstein.  
*TKDE 2019*, “**Best of ICDE 2018**” **Special Issue**.
- [7] *Serverless Computing: One Step Forward, Two Steps Back*.  
 Joseph M. Hellerstein, Jose Faleiro, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Johann Schleier-Smith,  
 Vikram Sreekanti, Alexey Tumanov, **Chenggang Wu**.  
*CIDR 2019*.
- [8] *Towards a Learning Optimizer for Shared Clouds*.  
**Chenggang Wu**, Alekh Jindal, Saeed Amizadeh, Hiren Patel,  
 Wangchao Le, Shi Qiao, Sriram Rao.  
*VLDB 2019*.
- [9] *Anna: A KVS For Any Scale*.  
**Chenggang Wu**, Jose Faleiro, Yihan Lin, Joseph M. Hellerstein.  
*ICDE 2018*, **Best of Conference Selection**.

## INVITED TALKS

### **Serverless Computing: One Step Forward, Two Steps Back**

- QCon New York, June 2019
- Craft Conference, May 2019

### **Learning from Queries vs Learning from Data**

- VLDB 2019, August 2019

### **Autoscaling Tiered Cloud Storage in Anna**

- VLDB 2019, August 2019
- Alibaba Group, October 2018
- RISE Lab Retreat, May 2018
- Amazon Web Services, May 2018

### **Towards a Learning Optimizer for Shared Clouds**

- VLDB 2019, August 2019
- Microsoft, August 2017

### **Anna: A KVS For Any Scale**

- Alibaba Group, October 2018
- RISE Lab Retreat, May 2018
- Amazon Web Services, May 2018
- ICDE 2018, April 2018

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reviewer for TKDE 2019.

U.C. Berkeley EECS Graduate Admissions Committee Member.

Organizer of Database Seminar for Berkeley Database Group.

## TEACHING

### **Graduate Student Instructor**, UC Berkeley

- CS186/286A: Introduction to Database Systems, Spring 2018
  - with Prof. Mehul Shah
- CS186/286A: Introduction to Database Systems, Spring 2016
  - with Prof. Joseph E. Gonzalez and Prof. Joseph M. Hellerstein

### **Head Teaching Assistant**, Brown University

- CS1951A: Introduction to Data Science, Spring 2015
  - with Prof. Tim Kraska
- CS1270: Database Management Systems, Fall 2014
  - with Prof. Stan Zdonik

## ACADEMIC AWARDS

Best of Conference Selection: Autoscaling Tiered Cloud Storage in Anna, VLDB 2019

Best of Conference Selection: Anna: A KVS For Any Scale, ICDE 2018

**TECHNICAL  
BACKGROUND**

Advanced Coursework: Artificial Intelligence, Databases, Data Science, Distributed Systems, Machine Learning, Parallel Computing, Programming Languages & Compilers, Algorithms, Systems Security.  
Programming: C/C++, Python, Java, JavaScript, Scala.