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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Jul 2023 – Present	Chair Professor , Hong Kong Baptist University
Sep 2013 – Jun 2023	Full Professor , Hong Kong Baptist University
Sep 2008 – Aug 2013	Associate Professor , Hong Kong Baptist University
Dec 2009 – Jan 2010	Senior Visiting Fellow , Fudan University, China
May 2005 – Jun 2005	Visiting Scholar , Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA
Sep 2002 – Aug 2008	Assistant Professor , Hong Kong Baptist University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Databases, Blockchain, Applied AI & LLM, Data Security and Privacy

EDUCATION

Ph.D., August 2002, Computer Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong
B.Eng. (First Class Honors), June 1998, Computer Science & Engineering, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China

AWARDS & HONORS

- **IEEE Fellow (Computer Society)**, for contributions to mobile data management and trustworthy query processing, 2025
- **AAIA Fellow**, Asia-Pacific Artificial Intelligence Association (AAIA), 2025
- **Highly Ranked Scholar** (globally top 0.05% in Information Engineering), ScholarGPS, 2023, 2024, 2025
- **Silver Medal**, Annual Geneva International Exhibition of Inventions, 2024
- **World's Top 2% Scientist** (career-long), Stanford University, 2022
- **Best Faculty Article Award**, Chinese Communication Association, 2022
- **Best Paper Award**, International Workshop on Mobile Ubiquitous Systems and Technologies (MUST), 2021
- **Best Paper Nominee Award** (5/970), The 29th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), 2020
- **Best Paper Award** (1/211), The 20th Int'l Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering (WISE), 2019
- **Nomination for HKSAR UGC Teaching Award** (General Faculty Member), 2018
- **HKBU President's Award for Outstanding Performance in Teaching**, 2018
- **HKBU President's Award for Outstanding Performance in Scholarly Work**, 2017
- **HKBU Faculty Performance Award for Outstanding Young Researcher**, 2012
- **First-Class Award**, The 12th National Challenge Cup Contest, 2011
- **Best Student Paper Award Runner-up**, The 15th International Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA), 2010
- **Zhu Kezhen Scholarship** (竺可楨獎學金), the highest honor for graduates of Zhejiang University, 1998

RESEARCH GRANTS (*totalling over HK\$40M in the PI capacity*)

A. RGC / Collaborative Research Fund (CRF)

1. **PC**, “User-Controlled Data Sharing and Analytics with Blockchain and Trusted Computing Technologies”, CRF C2004-21GF, 2022-2025, HK\$6,734,880.
2. **Co-PI**, “Trustworthy Large Language Models: A Multifaceted Strategy for Truthfulness, Fairness, and Privacy Preservation”, CRF C1043-24GF, 2025-2028, HK\$7,670,285.
3. **Co-PI**, “Federated Graph Management and Querying: Subgraphs, Keywords, and Privacy”, YCRG C2003-23Y, 2024-2027, HK\$4,854,870.
4. **Co-PI**, “Genomic Insights into Environmental Adaptation and Diversity of Deep-sea Siboglinida”, CRF C2013-22GF, 2023-2026, HK\$3,058,128.
5. **Co-PI**, “A Human-Powered Machine Learning System”, CRF C6030-18G, 2019-2022, HK\$3,716,381 (HK\$621,000 allocated to HKBU).
6. **Co-PI**, “Security and Privacy-enhancing Technologies for Cloud Storage of Big Data”, CRF C1008-16G, 2017-2020, HK\$5,983,404 (HK\$1,020,000 allocated to HKBU).

B. RGC / Theme-based Research Scheme (TRS)

7. **Co-PI**, “Building Platform Technologies for Symbiotic Creativity in Hong Kong”, TRS T45-205/21-N, 2021-2026, HK\$60,936,000.

C. RGC / Research Impact Fund (RIF)

8. **Co-PI**, “Integrating ChatGPT with Search Engine, Recommender System and Online Advertising to Enhance User Experience on Online Service Platforms”, RIF R1015-23, 2024-2027, HK\$7,000,000.
9. **Co-PI**, “Development and Evaluation of the Effectiveness of an Online Cognitive Behavioral Intervention Program for Hong Kong People with Social Anxiety Disorder”, RIF R2018-18, 2019-2023, HK\$6,286,227.

D. RGC / General Research Fund (GRF)

10. **PI**, “Private High-Dimensional Similarity Search for Cloud-Based Retrieval Augmented Generation”, RGC/GRF, 12201925, 2026-2028, HK\$1,046,829.
11. **PI**, “Vector Similarity Search in High-Dimensional Spaces”, RGC/GRF, 12202024, 2025-2027, HK\$1,272,735.
12. **PI**, “When Learned Index Meets Blockchain: Design, Algorithms, and Performance Evaluation”, RGC/GRF, 12200022, 2023-2025, HK\$1,086,185.
13. **PI**, “Federated Data Analytics using Hardware Enclaves”, RGC/GRF, 12202221, 2022-2024, HK\$563,714.
14. **PI**, “Stateless Blockchains for Scalable Transaction Processing”, RGC/GRF, 12201520, 2021-2023, HK\$1,057,394.
15. **PI**, “Towards Integrity-Assured Search in Scalable Blockchain Systems”, RGC/GRF, 12200819, 2020-2022, HK\$731,089.
16. **PI**, “Verifiable Publish/Subscribe Queries over Outsourced Data Streams”, RGC/GRF, 12201018, 2019-2021, HK\$693,000.
17. **PI**, “Keyword-based Spatial Influence Queries”, RGC/GRF, HKBU12200817, 2018-2020, HK\$875,000.
18. **PI**, “Authenticated Analytical Query Services on Set-Valued Data”, RGC/GRF, 12244916, 2017-2019, HK\$844,559.
19. **PI**, “Social-Aware Ridesharing in Location-Based Services”, RGC/GRF, 12201615, 2016-2018, HK\$496,028.
20. **PI**, “Authenticated Queries for Cloud-Assisted Multi-Source Data Collection”, RGC/GRF, 12202414, 2015-2018, HK\$875,000.
21. **PI**, “Differentially Private Publication of Network Data via Density-Based Exploration and Reconstruction”, RGC/GRF, 12200914, 2014-2017, HK\$500,000.
22. **PI**, “iGPS: Privacy-Preserving Geo-Proximity Services in Location-based Social Networks”, RGC/GRF, 211512, 2012-2015, HK\$700,000.
23. **PI**, “Transaction Management for Flash-based Database Systems: Protocols, Implementations and Optimizations”, RGC/GRF, 211510, 2010-2012, HK\$600,636.
24. **PI**, “Query Processing in Flash-Based Storage-Centric Sensor Networks”, RGC/GRF, 210808, 2009-2011, HK\$307,657.
25. **PI**, “Data-Centric Filter Management and Routing Optimization for Distributed Monitoring Systems”, RGC/GRF, 211307, 2008-2010, HK\$381,150.
26. **PI**, “iPDA: Privacy-Preserving Location-based Data Access in Mobile Environments”, RGC/GRF, 2112/06E, 2006-2009, HK\$356,000.

27. **PI**, “ECOQUAD: Energy-Conserving Quality-Aware Data Collection in Wireless Sensor Networks”, RGC/GRF, 2115/05E, 2005-2008, HK\$391,852.

E. RGC / German-Hong Kong Joint Research Scheme

28. **PI**, “Energy-Efficient Data Management with Novel Storage Technologies” (German partner: Prof. Theo Härder, University of Kaiserslautern), G_HK018/11, 2012-2013, HK\$52,000.

F. ITC / Innovation and Technology Fund (ITF)

29. **PI**, “Privacy-Preserving Large-Scale Indoor Location Tracking using Wearable Devices”, ITF/ITSP Tier 2, ITS/288/15FX & InP/085/16 & InP/129/16, 2016-2018, HK\$2,002,150 + HK\$381,360 + HK\$373,326.

30. **Co-PI & Deputy Coordinator**, “Development of an Online Cognitive Behavioural Intervention Program to Reduce Depressive Symptoms for Adults with Depression”, ITB/FBL/1002/18/P, 2019-2021, HK\$4,664,561.

G. Industry and Government

31. **PI**, “Intelligent Graph Generation and Optimization”, Industry Innovative Research Fund, 2024-2025, HK\$1,530,000.

32. **Co-PI**, “面向智慧城市和智慧物流中新型問題的關鍵機理與方法研究”, 廣東省基礎與應用基礎研究基金-粵港澳研究團隊, Guangdong Basic and Applied Basic Research Foundation, 2023B1515130002, 2024.1-2027.12, RMB 2,000,000 (¥600,000 allocated to HKBU).

33. **PI**, “Smart Port Platform Data Sharing and Blockchain Technologies”, Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech R&D Centre, No. 20230127007, 2023-2024, HK\$1,000,000.

34. **PI**, “Verifiable Query System for Blockchain Structured Data”, CCF-Ant Research Fund, RF20210014, 2022-2023, RMB 398,400.

35. **PI**, “Graph Computing for Digital Systems”, Industry Innovative Research Fund, 2021-2022, HK\$1,080,000.

36. **Co-PI**, “城市大數據與智能處理關鍵理論與技術”, 廣東省基礎與應用基礎研究基金-粵港澳研究團隊, Guangdong Basic and Applied Basic Research Foundation, 2019B1515130001, 2020.1-2023.12, RMB 3,000,000 (¥600,000 allocated to HKBU).

37. **PI**, “陽江地方特色產業防偽溯源區塊鏈創新服務平台”, 廣東省科技專項資金, SDZX2019042, 2019.7-2021.6, RMB 2,000,000.

38. **PI**, “The 20th IEEE Int’l Conf. on Mobile Data Management (MDM)”, Croucher Foundation, 2019.6, HK\$90,000.

39. **PI**, “Design and Optimization of GPU Accelerated AI Engine for Name Entity Recognition”, ASTRI, 2019.4-2019.6, HK\$250,000.

40. **PI**, “Blockchain-based Supply Chain System”, Consultancy Project, Zhongshuo (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd., 2018.5-2020.4, HK\$486,000.

41. **Co-PI**, “新一代無線智能體驗終端與大數據採集分析平台研發”, 廣州市科技計劃項目產學研協同創新重大專項(港澳台地區合作項目), 2017.5-2019.4, RMB 1,000,000.

42. **PI of Subcontract**, “Flash-based Database Systems”, NSFC Key Project No. 60833005, 2009-2012, ¥2,000,000. Subcontract: “Flash-Optimized Query Processing Algorithms”, RMB 200,000.

H. HKBU / Faculty Research Grant (FRG)

43. **PI**, “Multi-Source Query Authentication”, HKBU/FRG2/13-14/064, 2014-2016, HK\$135,000.

44. **PI**, “Reverse Keyword Search in Spatio-Textual Queries”, HKBU/FRG2/12-13/081, 2013-2015, HK\$134,820.

45. **PI**, “µPDA: Mutual Privacy-Preserving Data Access in Mobile Geo-Social Networking Services”, HKBU/FRG2/11-12/074, 2012-2014, HK\$120,000.

46. **PI**, “Privacy-Aware Location Data Publishing for Mobile Computing Applications”, HKBU/FRG 07-08/II-23, 2008-2010, HK\$110,000.

47. **PI**, “Adaptive Data Collection for Real-Time Monitoring in Wireless Sensor Networks”, HKBU/FRG 05-06/II-65, 2006-2008, HK\$110,000.

48. **PI**, “Data Dissemination Algorithms in a Wired/Wireless Integrated Environment,” HKBU/FRG 04-05/II-26, 2005-2007, HK\$124,000.

49. **PI**, “Improving Content Distribution with QoS Guarantees”, HKBU/FRG 03-04/II-19, 2004-2006, HK\$108,864.

50. **PI**, “Processing and Scheduling Location-Dependent Queries”, HKBU/FRG 02-03/II-34, 2003-2005, HK\$181,440.

I. Teaching Development Grant

51. **PI**, “Teaching Materials-Driven AI Tutor: Personalizing Learning Excellence”, UGC TDLEG-2528-IICA-L01, 2025-2028, HK\$1,075,000.

52. **Co-PI**, “Enhancing Learning in Engineering Courses via ChatGPT-enabled Learning Tools”, UGC FITE IICA #03, 2023-2026, HK\$300,000.
53. **PI**, “Web-based Tutoring for Enhancing Teaching and Learning of Database Systems”, TDG/0607/III/09, 2008, HK\$98,000.

PUBLICATIONS

- ♦ *Received >15,000 citations, with h-index 65, according to Google Scholar (November 2025)*[†]
- ♦ *Papers received ≥ 100 citations are marked with ****

A. Refereed Conference Papers

1. X. Zhang, L. Liang, A. Ailamaki, and J. Xu. “HIRE: A Hybrid Learned Index for Robust and Efficient Performance under Mixed Workloads.” *Proc. of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '26)*, Bengaluru, India, 2026.
2. R. Guo, Z. Ding, X. Xie, and J. Xu. “SWIFT: Enabling Large-Scale Temporal Graph Learning on a Single Machine.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '26)*, Bengaluru, India, 2026.
3. Y. Zhao, L. Xu, J. Jiang, B. Choi, J. Xu, and B. He. “ABFlow: Alert Bursting Flow Query in Streaming Temporal Flow Networks.” *Proc. of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '26)*, Bengaluru, India, 2026.
4. D. Wang, J. Li, N. Cui, J. Qi, H. Lu, and J. Xu. “A Workload-Aware Encrypted Index for Efficient Privacy-Preserving Range Queries.” *Proc. of the 52nd International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '26)*, Boston, USA, 2026.
5. X. Wang, X. Huang, G. Luo, and J. Xu. “Inference Attacks Against Graph Generative Diffusion Models.” *Proc. of the 35th USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security '26)*, Baltimore, MD, USA, 2026.
6. X. Wang, X. Huang, H. Hu, and J. Xu. “Communication-efficient Federated Graph Classification via Generative Diffusion Modeling.” *Proc. of the 32nd ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '26)*, Jeju, Korea, 2026.
7. H. Zheng, R. Yang, H. Wang, and J. Xu. “Cross-Contrastive Clustering for Multimodal Attributed Graphs with Dual Graph Filtering.” *Proc. of the 32nd ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '26)*, Jeju, Korea, 2026.
8. H. Zheng, R. Yang, Y. Zhou, and J. Xu. “Rethinking Message Passing Neural Networks with Diffusion Distance-guided Stress Majorization.” *Proc. of the 32nd ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '26)*, Jeju, Korea, 2026.
9. Y. Zhou, Q. Liu, X. Huang, J. Xu, and Y. Gao. “MOCHI: Motif-based Community Search over Large Heterogeneous Information Networks.” *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '26)*, Montreal, Canada, May 2026.
10. Z. Liang, Q. Ye, X. Liu, Y. Wang, J. Xu, and H. Hu. “Virus Infection Attack on LLMs: Your Poisoning Can Spread ‘VIA’ Synthetic Data.” *Proceedings of the 39th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS '25)*, San Diego, USA, Dec. 2025.
11. L. Bai, Q. Ye, X. Zhang, S. Zhang, Z. Liang, J. Xu, and H. Hu. “Toward Efficient Inference Attacks: Shadow Model Sharing via Mixture-of-Experts.” *Proceedings of the 39th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS '25)*, San Diego, USA, Dec. 2025.
12. H. Wang, T. Zhang, R. Yang, and J. Xu. “Cequel: Cost-Effective Querying of Large Language Models for Text Clustering.” *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM '25)*, Seoul, Korea, Nov. 2025.

[†] <http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=LJNsBeoAAAAJ>

13. Y. Cao, Z. Gao, Z. Li, X. Xie, S. K. Zhou, J. Xu. "LEGO-GraphRAG: Modularizing Graph-based Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Design Space Exploration." *Proceedings of the 51st International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '25)*, London, UK, Sept. 2025.
14. Z. Wu, X. Zhu, Y. Fang, J. Xu, and X. Huang. "Interactive Graph Search for Multiple Targets on DAGs." *Proceedings of the 51st International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '25)*, London, UK, Sept. 2025.
15. L. Sun, X. Huang, J. Wang, and J. Xu. "A Flexible Framework for Query-oriented Interactive Community Search." *Proceedings of the 51st International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '25)*, London, UK, Sept. 2025.
16. C. Luo, Q. Liu, Y. Gao, and J. Xu. "Synergetic Community Search over Large Multilayer Graphs." *Proceedings of the 51st International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '25)*, London, United Kingdom, Sept. 2025.
17. L. Xu, J. Jiang, B. Choi, J. Xu, and B. He. "Bursting Flow Query on Large Temporal Flow Networks." *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '25)*, Berlin, Germany, June 2025.
18. H. Wang, C. Xu, C. Zhang, H. Hu, S. Tian, S. Chen, Y. Yan, and J. Xu. "Authenticating Multi-Chain Queries: Verifiable Virtual Filesystem Is All You Need." *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '25)*, Berlin, Germany, June 2025. (Demo Paper)
19. S. Zhang, H. Hu, Q. Ye, and J. Xu. "PrivDPR: Synthetic Graph Publishing with Deep PageRank under Differential Privacy." *Proceedings of the 31st ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD '25)*, Toronto, Canada, August 2025.
20. Z. Liang, Q. Ye, Y. Wang, S. Zhang, Y. Xiao, R. Li, J. Xu, H. Hu. "'Yes, My LoRD.'" Guiding Language Model Extraction with Locality Reinforced Distillation." *Proceedings of the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL '25)*, Vienna, Austria, July 2025.
21. H. Wang, R. Yang, H. Wang, H. Zheng, and J. Xu. "SAFT: Structure-aware Transformers for Textual Interaction Classification." *Proceedings of the 48th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR '25)*, Padua, Italy, July 2025.
22. R. Tang, X. Zhu, X. Zhang, L. Chen, X. Li, M. Yuan, and J. Xu. "EDGE: DBMS-Empowered Boolean Decomposition for GIG Synthesis." *Proceedings of the 62nd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Design Automation Conference (DAC '25)*, San Francisco, California, USA, June 2025.
23. X. Liao, Q. Liu, J. Jiang, B. Choi, B. He, and J. Xu. "Accelerating D-core Maintenance over Dynamic Directed Graphs." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
24. G. Li, B. Choi, R. Zuo, S. S. Bhowmick, and J. Xu. "leSAX Index: A Learned SAX Representation Index for Time Series Similarity Search." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
25. H. Zheng, R. Yang, and J. Xu. "Adaptive Local Clustering over Attributed Graphs." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
26. S. Zhang, Q. Ye, H. Hu, and J. Xu. "AdvSGM: Differentially Private Graph Learning via Adversarial Skip-gram Model." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
27. J. Zhang, C. Zhang, J. Pei, X. Luo, J. Xu, and J. Liu. "Computing Shapley Values in Preference Queries." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
28. N. Cui, D. Wang, J. Li, H. Zhu, X. Yang, and J. Xu. "Towards Dynamic Boolean Range Query over Hybrid-Storage Blockchains: A Secure and Reliably Verifiable Framework." *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.

29. H. Li, Y. Li, W. Chen, S. He, M. Xu, and J. Xu. “Effective Task Assignment in Mobility Prediction-Aware Spatial Crowdsourcing.” *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
30. T. N. Chan, P. L. Ip, B. Zhu, L. H. U, D. Wu, J. Xu, and C. S. Jensen. “Large-scale Spatiotemporal Kernel Density Visualization.” *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25)*, Hong Kong, May 2025.
31. R. Tang, X. Zhu, X. Li, L. Chen, X. Huang, M. Yuan, and J. Xu. “Maximum Fanout-Free Window Enumeration: Towards Multi-Output Sub-structure Synthesis.” *Proceedings of the Design, Automation and Test in Europe Conference (DATE '25)*, Lyon, France, 2025.
32. H. Li, L. Bai, Q. Ye, H. Hu, Y. Xiao, H. Zheng, and J. Xu. “A Sample-Level Evaluation and Generative Framework for Model Inversion Attacks.” *Proceedings of the 39th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI '25)*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, 2025.
33. C. Zhang, C. Xu, H. Hu, and J. Xu. “COLE: A Column-based Learned Storage for Blockchain Systems.” *Proceedings of the 22nd USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST '24)*, Santa Clara, CA, USA, 2024.
34. X. Zhang, Q. Wang, C. Xu, Y. Peng, and J. Xu. “FedKNN: Secure Federated k-Nearest Neighbor Search.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '24)*, Santiago, Chile, 2024.
35. X. Luo, J. Pei, C. Xu, W. Zhang, and J. Xu. “Fast Shapley Value Computation in Data Assemblage Tasks as Cooperative Simple Games.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '24)*, Santiago, Chile, 2024.
36. C. Luo, Y. Zhu, Q. Liu, Y. Gao, L. Chen, and J. Xu. “MCR-Tree: An Efficient Index for Multi-dimensional Core Search.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '24)*, Santiago, Chile, 2024.
37. X. Liao, Q. Liu, X. Huang, and J. Xu. “Truss-based Community Search over Streaming Directed Graphs.” *Proceedings of the 50th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '24)*, Guangzhou, China, 2024.
38. R. Zuo, G. Li, R. Cao, B. Choi, J. Xu, and S. S. Bhowmick. “DARKER: Efficient Transformer with Data-driven Attention Mechanism for Time Series.” *Proceedings of the 50th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '24)*, Guangzhou, China, 2024.
39. T. N. Chan, R. Zang, B. Zhu, L. H. U, D. Wu, and J. Xu. “LION: Fast and High-Resolution Network Kernel Density Visualization.” *Proceedings of the 50th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '24)*, Guangzhou, China, 2024.
40. H. Wang, C. Xu, X. Chen, C. Zhang, H. Hu, S. Tian, Y. Yan, and J. Xu. “V²FS: A Verifiable Virtual Filesystem for Multi-Chain Query Authentication.” *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24)*, Utrecht, Netherlands, May 2024.
41. X. Ran, Q. Ye, H. Hu, X. Huang, J. Xu, and J. Fu. “Differentially Private Graph Neural Networks for Link Prediction.” *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24)*, Utrecht, Netherlands, May 2024.
42. Z. Sun, X. Huang, C. Piao, C. Long, and J. Xu. “Adaptive Truss Maximization on Large Graphs: A Minimum Cut Approach.” *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24)*, Utrecht, Netherlands, May 2024.
43. L. Sun, X. Huang, Z. Wu, and J. Xu. “Efficient Cross-layer Community Search in Large Multilayer Graphs.” *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24)*, Utrecht, Netherlands, May 2024.
44. Y. Peng, S. Lin, Q. Chen, L. Xu, X. Ren, Y. Li, and J. Xu. “ChatGraph: Chat with Your Graphs.” *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24)*, Utrecht, Netherlands, May 2024. (Demo Paper)

45. J. Zhu, H. Li, J. Yao, T. Liu, J. Xu, and B. Han. “Unleashing Mask: Explore the Intrinsic Out-of-Distribution Detection Capability.” *Proceedings of the 40th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML '23)*, Hawaii, USA, July 2023.
46. X. Zhu, R. Tang, L. Chen, X. Li, X. Huang, M. Yuan, W. Sheng, and J. Xu. “A Database Dependent Framework for K-Input Maximum Fanout-Free Window Rewriting.” *Proceedings of the 60th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Design Automation Conference (DAC '23)*, San Francisco, California, USA, July 2023.
47. L. Xu, B. Choi, Y. Peng, J. Xu, and S. S. Bhowmick. “A Framework for Privacy Preserving Localized Graph Pattern Query Processing.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '23)*, Seattle, WA, USA, June 2023.
48. Z. Sun, X. Huang, Q. Liu, and J. Xu. “Efficient Star-based Truss Maintenance on Dynamic Graphs.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '23)*, Seattle, WA, USA, June 2023.
49. Y. Peng, B. Choi, T. N. Chan, J. Yang, and J. Xu. “Efficient Approximate Nearest Neighbor Search in Multi-dimensional Databases.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '23)*, Seattle, WA, USA, June 2023.
50. J. Zhu, J. Yao, T. Liu, Q. Yao, J. Xu, and B. Han. “Combating Exacerbated Heterogeneity for Robust Models in Federated Learning.” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR '23)*, Kigali, Rwanda, May 2023.
51. Q. Liu, X. Liao, X. Huang, J. Xu, and Y. Gao. “Distributed (α, β) -Core Decomposition over Bipartite Graphs.” *Proceedings of the 39th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '23)*, Anaheim, California, USA, April 2023.
52. H. Zhu, W. Liu, J. Yin, N. Cui, J. Xu, X. Huang, and W.-C. Lee. “Keyword-based Socially Tenuous Group Queries.” *Proceedings of the 39th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '23)*, Anaheim, California, USA, April 2023.
53. Y. Ji, C. Xu, C. Zhang, and J. Xu. “DCert: Towards Secure, Efficient and Versatile Blockchain Light Clients.” *Proceedings of the 23rd ACM/IFIP International Middleware Conference (Middleware '22)*, Québec City, Québec, Canada, 2022.
54. T. N. Chan, L. H. U, B. Choi, and J. Xu. “SLAM: Efficient Sweep Line Algorithms for Kernel Density Visualization.” *Proceedings of the ACM SIGMOD Int'l Conf. on Management of Data (SIGMOD '22)*, Philadelphia, PA, USA, 2022.
55. T. N. Chan, P. L. Ip, L. H. U, B. Choi, and J. Xu. “Fast Network K-function-based Spatial Analysis.” *Proceedings of the 48th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (PVLDB '22)*, Sydney, Australia, 2022.
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INVITED TALKS

1. J. Xu, “Secure and Privacy-Preserving RAG as a Service.” *The 20th International Conference on Green, Pervasive, and Cloud Computing (GPC 2025)*, Dec. 9-12, 2025. (**Invited Keynote**)
2. J. Xu, “Large-scale Geospatial Analytics: Challenges and Opportunities.” *The 28th International Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA 2023)*, April 17-20, 2023. (**Invited Keynote**)
3. J. Xu, “Integrity-Assured Query Processing.” *The 6th International Conference on Data Storage and Data Engineering (DSDE 2023)*, Feb. 24-26, 2023. (**Invited Keynote**)
4. J. Xu, “Towards Searchable Blockchain Systems.” *The 4th International Conference on Blockchain Technology (ICBCT 2022)*, March 25-27, 2022. (**Invited Keynote**)
5. J. Xu, “Lightweight Blockchains.” *The 10th Forum of Intelligent Search in Cyberspace & Future Data (FFD)*, Sept 8-10, 2021. (**Invited Talk**)
6. J. Xu, “Introduction to Blockchain.” *VLDB Summer School*, July 13-17, 2020. (**Invited Lecture**)
7. J. Xu, “Blockchain Data Management: Challenges and Opportunities.” *The 36th National Database Conference (NDBC)*, Oct. 11-13, 2019. (**Invited Keynote**)
8. J. Xu, “Blockchain Data Management.” *The 8th Forum of Future Data (FFD)*, Nov 21-22, 2019. (**Invited Talk**)
9. J. Xu, “Towards Searchable Blockchain”, *The ACM Turing Celebration Conference - China (ACM TURC 2019)*, May 17-19, 2019. (**Invited Keynote**)
10. J. Xu, “Data Security and Privacy in Blockchain”, *The 3rd National Annual Conference on Data Security and Privacy Protection (DSPP)*, September 27-29, 2018. (**Invited Talk**)
11. J. Xu, “Towards Trustworthy and Interactive Queries on Big Spatial Data”, *The 2nd IEEE International Conference on Data Science in Cyberspace (DSC)*, June 26-29, 2017. (**Invited Talk**)
12. J. Xu, “Big Spatial Data: Towards Interactive, Trustworthy and Social-Aware Search”, *The 2nd HKUST CSE Alumni Homecoming Workshop on Systems, Applications, Networks, and Data (SAND)*, June 17, 2017. (**Invited Talk**)
13. J. Xu, “Towards Interactive and Social-Aware Spatial Query Services”, *The 18th Asia-Pacific Web Conference*, September 23-25, 2016. (**Distinguished Lecture**)
14. J. Xu, “Querying Cloud Data with Confidentiality and Integrity Assurance”, *The First Europe-China Workshop on Big Data Management*, Helsinki, Finland, May 16, 2016. (**Invited Talk**)

15. J. Xu, "Secure Query Services in Outsourced Cloud Environments", *International Workshop on Ubiquitous Cyber Security*, Oct 29-30, 2015. (**Invited Plenary Talk**)
16. J. Xu, "Authenticated Query Services in Data Outsourcing and Integration", *The 17th Asia-Pacific Web Conference*, September 18-20, 2015. (**Distinguished Young Lecture**)
17. J. Xu, "Secure Query Services in Outsourced Cloud Environments", *CCF YOCSEF Shenzhen-HK Forum on Big Data*, Shenzhen, June 12, 2015. (**Invited Talk**)
18. J. Xu, "Privacy-Aware Query Processing." *International Workshop on Big Data Privacy Management*, Beijing, May 14, 2015. (**Invited Talk**)
19. J. Xu, "Location Privacy Protection in Geo-Social Networks." *CCF YOCSEF Forum on Privacy Protection in Social Networks*, Beijing, Feb. 28, 2014. (**Invited Talk**)
20. J. Xu, "Research Experience Sharing through a Case Study on Authenticated Query Processing in Cloud ." *The 30th National Database Conference (NDBC)*, Haerbin, August 2013. (**Invited Tutorial Talk**)
21. J. Xu, "Optimizing Transaction Logging and Recovery Performance with Phase-Change Memory", *Dagstuhl Seminar on Robust Query Processing*, August 2012. (**Invited Talk**)
22. J. Xu, "Managing Data Effectively on Flash Memory Disks." *The 2011 International Workshop on Advanced Data Management (ADM 2011)*, December 2011. (**Invited Talk**)
23. J. Xu, "Flash-Based Database Systems: Experiences from the FlashDB Project." *The First International Workshop on Flash-based Database Systems (FlashDB '11)*, April 2011. (**Invited Talk**)

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2. "Method and Apparatus for Assuring Location Data Integrity with Minimum Location Disclosure" (with H. Hu and Q. Chen). US Non-Provisional Patent No. 9,973,514, filed on Oct. 26, 2015, granted on May 15, 2018.
3. "System and Method for Providing Proximity Information" (with H. Hu). US Non-Provisional Patent No. 9,351,116, filed on May 30, 2013, granted on May 24, 2016.
4. "Method and Apparatus for Authenticating Location-based Services without Compromising Location Privacy" (with H. Hu and Q. Chen). US Non-Provisional Patent No. 9,043,927, filed on Feb. 19, 2013, granted on May 26, 2015.

TEACHING (Ranging from year one fundamental courses to final year and postgraduate advanced courses)

- COMP2016: Database Management (Spring 2006-2007, 2014; Fall 2007-2012, Spring 2013-2024)
- COMP2440: Database Systems II (Spring 2003-2005)
- COMP2840: Computer Architectures (Fall 2002, 2005)
- COMP2860: Web Systems Application Development (Fall 2003-2004)
- COMP3140: Computer and Network Security (Fall 2009)
- COMP4035: Database System Implementation (Spring 2007-2017)
- COMP3670: Mobile Computing (Fall 2014)
- COMP3820: Information Systems Security and Auditing (Spring 2003-2005, 2011)
- COMP7640: Database Systems and Administration (Fall 2005, 2010, 2012-2013, 2015-2018)
- COMP7160: Research Methods in Computer Science (Fall 2019)
- I.T.1510: World Wide Web Application Development (Fall 2006)

ADVISING

A. Postgraduate/Postdoctoral Students

- Yuanhang Zhou, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2025, Research Topic: "Secure Vector Database."
- Zhenping Li, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2025, Research Topic: "Applied LLM."

- Hao Ma, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2025, Research Topic: “Social Computing.”
- Bojian Zhu, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2024, Research Topic: “Geo-spatial Data Visualization.”
- Huiling Li, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2024, Research Topic: “Retrieval Augmented Generation.”
- Lanjing Yi, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2023, Research Topic: “Vector Database.”
- Ruofei Tang, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2022, Research Topic: “Graph Computing.”
- Xinyi Zhang, PhD Student, Started in Fall 2021, Research Topic: “Federated Data Analytics.”
- Haixin Wang, PhD Student, Graduated in Aug. 2025, Thesis Title: “Towards Secure and Integrity-assured Blockchain Query Processing.”
- Xuankun Liao, PhD Student, Graduated in Aug. 2024, Thesis Title: “Cohesive Subgraph Computation over Large-Scale Directed Graphs.” (*first employment: Senior Algorithm Engineer, Alibaba Tongyi, Hangzhou, China*)
- Ce Zhang, PhD Student, Graduated in Aug. 2023, Thesis Title: “Verifiable Search in Distributed Computing.” (*first employment: Lecturer, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong*)
- Yang Ji, MPhil Student, Graduated in Jan. 2023, Thesis Title: “Blockchain and Trusted Hardware.” (*first placement: PhD student, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (GZ)*)
- Qing Liu, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2017-2022, Research Topic: “Graph and Spatial Query Processing.” (*first employment: Associate Professor, Awarded Overseas Outstanding Young Talent, Zhejiang University, China*)
- Xiaoguo Li, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2019-2021, Research Topic: “Federated Data Analytics.” (*first employment: Postdoc Fellow, Singapore Management University, Singapore*)
- Xiaoyi Fu, PhD Student, Graduated in Dec. 2019, Thesis Title: “Social-aware Ridesharing.” (*first employment: Lecturer, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong*)
- Cheng Xu, PhD Student, Graduated in Feb. 2019, Thesis Title: “Authenticated Query Processing in the Cloud.” (*first employment: Postdoc Fellow, Simon Fraser University, Canada; current employment: Senior Software Developer, Fortinet, Canada*)
- Shangwei Guo, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2018-2019, Research Topic: “Verifiable Multimedia Search.” (*first employment: Postdoc Fellow, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore*)
- Lei Chen, PhD Student, Graduated in Dec. 2016, Thesis Title: “Answering Why-Not Questions on Spatial Keyword Top- k Queries.” (*first employment: Researcher, Huawei Noah’s Ark Lab, Hong Kong*)
- Jingjing Chen, PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2016, Thesis Title: “Enhancing Student Engagement and Interaction in E-learning Environments through Learning Analytics and Wearable Sensing.” (*first employment: Assistant Professor, Zhejiang University of Technology, China*)
- Yafei Li, PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2015, Thesis Title: “Efficient Group Queries in Location-based Social Networks.” (*first employment: Assistant Professor, Zhengzhou University, China*)
- Qian Chen, PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2015, Thesis Title: “Query Authentication in Data Outsourcing and Integration Services.” (*first employment: Senior R&D Engineer, NetEase Games, Hangzhou, China; current employment: Software Engineer, Google*)
- Zhe Fan (Co-supervisor), PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2015, Thesis Title: “Secure Subgraph Query Services” (*first employment: Senior Software Engineer, Huawei, Shenzhen, China*)
- Dingming Wu, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2011-2013, Research Topic: “Social-aware Spatial Keyword Queries.” (*first academic employment: Assistant Professor, Shenzhen University, Shenzhen, China*)
- Xin Lin, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2011-2013, Research Topic: “Mobile Query Authentication.” (Supported by the First Hong Kong Scholars Program) (*first employment: Associate Professor, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China*)
- Yun Peng (Co-supervisor), PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2013, Thesis Title: “Estimation Techniques for Advanced Database Application.” (*first employment: Postdoc Fellow, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; current employment: Advisory Researcher, Lenovo Big Data Research Centre, HK*)

- Shen Gao, MPhil Candidate, Graduated in Summer 2013, Thesis Title: “Transaction Logging and Recovery for Phase-Change Memory.” (*first placement: PhD student at University of Zurich; current employment: Software Engineer, Google, Zurich*)
- Hong Ping Li, MPhil Candidate, Graduated in Spring 2013, Thesis Title: “Secure Proximity Queries in Mobile Geo-Social Services” (*first employment: ICT Graduate Trainee, PCCW, HK*)
- Yu Li, PhD Student, Graduated in Summer 2011, Thesis Title: “Indexing and Query Processing for Flash-based Database Systems.” (*first employment: Senior Software Engineer, Tencent, China; current employment: Solution Engineer, Facebook*).
- Jintian Deng (Co-supervisor), MPhil Student, Graduated in Summer 2011, Thesis Title: “Incremental Maintenance of Minimal and Minimum Bisimulation of Cyclic Graphs”.” (*first employment: Software Engineer, Alibaba, China*)
- Chushi Ren, FYP Student, Graduated in Summer 2011 with First-Class Honor, Undergraduate Thesis Title: “iGreen: Enabling Privacy-Preserving Location-based Services.” (*first placement: Postgraduate Student at University of Pennsylvania*).
- Sai Tung On, MPhil Student, Graduated in Summer 2010, Thesis Title: “Efficient Transaction Recovery in Flash-based Databases.” (*first employment: System Developer, Vegasoul Fund, HK*)
- Haibo Hu, Postdoctoral Fellow, 2006-2008, Research Topic: “Trustworthy Monitoring of Continuously Moving Objects.” (*first employment: Research Assistant Professor, HKBU; current employment: Professor, Hong Kong Polytechnic University*)
- Jing Du, MPhil Student, Graduated in Summer 2007, Thesis Title: “Privacy-Preserving Data Access in Mobile Computing Environments.” (*first employment: R&D Leader, Rose Datasystems, China*)
- Minji Wu, MPhil Student, Graduated in Summer 2006, Thesis Title: “Energy-Efficient Query Processing in Wireless Sensor networks.” (*first placement: PhD student at Rutgers University; current employment: Software Engineer, Microsoft*)
- MSc Students: Qinghui Liu (2009), Cheong Chi Joey Li (2008), Zhijun Li (2008), Yan Lu (2008), Ruming Wu (2007), Yicong Huang (2007), Tak Chung Lee (2007), Kwok Cheong Tang (2007), Nan Huang (2007)

B. Student Achievements

- PhD supervisor, Xinyi Zhang won **Student Travel Award** in **ACM SIGMOD 2024**
- PhD supervisor, Ruofei Tang was awarded the **Best Student Paper Award** at The 32nd International Workshop on Logic & Synthesis (IWLS '23), 2023
- FYP Supervisor, Dezhi Chen won the **First Prize Award** in the Pan-Pearl River Delta+ Universities IT Project Competition (out of 2,000+ projects submitted from 17 provinces and cities), 2023
- Postdoc supervisor, Qing Liu was awarded **National Science Fund for Distinguished Overseas Young Talents**, 2022
- PhD co-supervisor, Xuliang Zhu won **Best Paper Nominee Award** in the 29th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), 2020
- PhD co-supervisor, Jinbin Huang won **Best Paper Award** in the 20th Int'l Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering (WISE), 2019
- PhD supervisor, Ce Zhang won **Student Travel Award** in **IEEE ICDE 2019**
- PhD supervisor, Cheng Xu won **Student Travel Award** in **ACM SIGMOD 2018**
- Supervisor, Wenzhou Wei and Haixin Wang won the **Third Prize** in **2017 HSBC FinTech (Safeguard App) Competition**
- PhD supervisor, Yafei Li won **2016 ACM China Doctoral Dissertation Award Chapter Winner**
- PhD supervisor, Lei Chen won **Student Travel Award** from **IEEE ICDE 2015**
- PhD supervisor, Qian Chen won **Student Travel Awards** from **ACM SIGMOD 2012** and **IEEE ICDE 2013**
- FYP & MPhil Supervisor, FlashDB project (by Gao Shen) won the **First-Class Award in the 12th National Challenge Cup Contest**, October 2011. (8% of the shortlisted projects were awarded First-Class Awards)

- FYP Supervisor, Chushi Ren won the **2nd Runner-up Prize** in Hong Kong and **Bronze Prize** in the Final Round of the 2011 Amway Pan-Pearl River Delta Region Universities IT Project Competition (participated by 136 universities in the Pan-Pearl River Delta Region)
- FYP Supervisor, Shen Gao won a **Merit Prize** in the 2010 HKEIA Innovation & Technology Project Competition Award (10 awarded out of 30+ project submissions from all local universities)
- FYP Supervisor, Shen Gao won the **3rd Runner-up Prize** in Hong Kong and **Bronze Prize** in the Final Round of the 2010 Amway Pan-Pearl River Delta Region Universities IT Project Competition
- Co-advisor, Xingjie Liu won the **Best Student Paper Award Runner-up** in the 15th Intl. Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA), 2010
- Coach, five student teams won the **Champion University Award** in 2008 IBM DB2 Inter-University Programming Contest, which consists of 28 teams from eight universities in Hong Kong and Macau
- Co-advisor, Haibo Hu won the **ACM-HK Best PhD Paper Award**, 2005

C. PhD Thesis External Examiners

- 50+ PhD theses for Technical University of Kaiserslautern (Germany), Queensland University (Australia), University of New South Wales (Australia), University of Technology Sydney (Australia), National University of Singapore (Singapore), Nanyang Technological University (Singapore), University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Chinese University of Hong Kong, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

A. Journal Editorship

- Associate Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems (TPDS)*, 2023 – Present
- Associate Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Big Data (TBD)*, 2023 – Present
- Associate Editor, *Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (PVLDB)*, 2017 – 2018; 2023 – 2024; 2025-2026
- Associate Editor, *Data Science and Engineering (DSE)*, Springer, 2022 – Present
- Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Computer Science and Technology (JCST)*, Springer, 2022 – Present
- Advisory Board Member, *Blockchain*, ELSP, 2022 – Present
- Associate Editor, *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)*, 2014 – 2020
- Associate Editor, *International Journal of Information Science and Engineering (JISE)*, 2016 – 2022
- Associate Editor, *International Journal of Distributed Sensor Networks (IJDSN)*, Hindawi, 2010 – 2014
- Review Board Member, *Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (PVLDB)*, 2013-2014, 2016-2017, 2018-2021, 2025
- Guest Editor, *World Wide Web Journal (WWWJ)*, Springer, 2020
- Guest Editor, *Distributed and Parallel Databases (DAPD)*, Springer, 2020
- Guest Editor, *Data Science and Engineering (DSE)*, Springer, 2019
- Guest Editor, *Future Generation Computer Systems (FGCS)*, Elsevier, 2009

B. Department/Faculty/University Services

- Head, Department of Computer Science, HKBU, 2021 – 2027
- Convenor, University Research Cluster on Data Analytics and AI, HKBU, 2019 – 2021, 2024 –
- Acting Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Science, HKBU, 2020 – 2021
- Senate Member, HKBU, 2018 – 2020, 2021 –
- Member, Teaching and Learning Policy Committee, HKBU, 2022 – 2023
- Member, e-Learning Committee, HKBU, 2018 – 2020
- Associate Head (Research & Development), Department of Computer Science, HKBU, 2017 – 2021
- Management Committee Member, Data and Media Communication (DMC) Interdisciplinary Concentration, 2017 –
- Chair, Departmental Research Committee, HKBU, 2016 – 2021

- TA/Instructor Coordinator, Department of Computer Science, HKBU, 2018 – 2021
- Coordinator, Departmental Research Postgraduate Programme, HKBU, 2016 – 2021
- Member of Departmental Management Committee, 2013 –
- Acting Associate Head, Department of Computer Science, HKBU, January – July 2016
- Acting Chair of Departmental Undergraduate Management Committee, January – July 2016
- Acting Programme Coordinator, BSc (Hons) in Computer Science, January – July 2014
- Member of Faculty Review Panel, 2014 – 2016
- Member of Departmental Review Panel, 2013 – 2017
- Member of Faculty Task Force on Research Assessment Exercise, 2012 – 2014
- Member of Faculty Task Force on PhD Fellowship Scheme, 2013 - 2014
- Member, Science Elite Programme, 2013 – 2014
- Member of Accreditation Panel for HKBU-UIC Computer Science & Technology Program, 2013
- Coordinator of HKIE Accreditation Exercise on BSc (Hons) Degree in CS / IS Programme, 2012
- Departmental Coordinator for RGC's Visit, 2011
- Chinese Medicine & Science Specialist Panel, 2008 – 2018
- Departmental Four-Year Curriculum Committee (chairing Task Force Group #1 with focus on fundamental courses), 2008 – 2011
- Final Year Project (Computer Science) Coordinator and Faculty Project Committee Member, 2004 – 2016
- External Examiner of HKBU-UIC Computer Science & Technology Program, 2010 – Present
- Faculty & Department System Security Review Task Force Co-Chair, 2008
- University Complementary Studies Committee Member, 2005 – 2006
- Computer Science Program Committee Member, 2002 – Present
- PG-Day Coordinator, 2005 – 2006
- Departmental Colloquium Coordinator, 2002 – 2006
- Faculty Safety/Workshop Committee Member, 2003 – 2004

C. Professional Organization Services

- Chair, Best PhD Dissertation Committee, ACM SIGSPATIAL China, 2022
- Panel Member, Hong Kong RGC Selection Panel of the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme and Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme, 2019 – 2021
- Panel Member, Hong Kong RGC Engineering Panel, 2016 – 2022
- Advisory Committee Chair, School of Decision Sciences, Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, 2022 –
- Advisory Committee Member, School of Decision Sciences, Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, 2017 – 2019
- Vice Chair, ACM SIGMOD Hong Kong Chapter, 2013 – 2016
- Vice Chair, ACM Hong Kong Chapter, 2008 – 2010
- Executive Committee Member, ACM Hong Kong Chapter, 2003 – 2010

D. Conference / Workshop Organization

- Area Chair, The 42nd IEEE Int'l Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '26), Montreal, Canada, May 2025.
- Area Chair, The 41st IEEE Int'l Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '25), Hong Kong, May 2025.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 25th Int'l Conference on Parallel and Distributed Computing, Applications and Technologies (PDCAT '24), October 2024.
- Area Chair, The 40th IEEE Int'l Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE '24), Utrecht, Netherlands, April 2024.
- General Co-Chair, The 23rd IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM '22), Paphos, Cyprus, June 2022.
- General Co-Chair, The 22nd IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM '21), Toronto, Canada, June 2021.

- TPC Co-Chair, The 37th National Database Conference (NDBC '20), October 2020.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2nd IEEE International Workshop on Blockchain and Data Management (BlockDM '20), in conjunction with ICDE, April 2020.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 20th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM '19), Hong Kong, June 2019.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 1st IEEE International Workshop on Blockchain and Data Management (BlockDM '19), in conjunction with ICDE, April 2019.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2nd APWeb-WAIM Joint Conference on Web and Big Data, Macau, July 2018.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 17th International Conference on Web-Age Information Management (WAIM '16), Nanchang, China, June 2016.
- TPC Co-Chair, The Third IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems, Networks, and Applications (CPSNA '15), Hong Kong, August 2015.
- TPC Track Chair, The 2014 National Conference on Social Media Processing (SMP '14), Beijing, China, November 2014.
- TPC Co-Chair, The Second International Workshop on Big Data Management on Emerging Hardware (HardBD '14), Macau, China, June 2014.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2013 IEEE International Workshop on Big Data Analytics in Mobile Social Networks (BigMSN '13), Fuzhou, China, December 2013.
- TPC Vice-Chair, The 32nd IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS 2012), Macau, China, June 2012.
- TPC Vice-Chair and Best Paper Selection Committee Member, The 18th IEEE International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Systems (ICPADS 2012), Singapore, November 2012.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2nd Intl. Workshop on Flash-based Database Systems (FlashDB 2012), Busan, South Korea, April 2012.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2nd ACM Intl. Workshop on Cloud Data Management (CloudDB 2010), Toronto, Canada, October 2010.
- TPC Co-Chair, The 2nd Intl. Workshop on Peer-to-Peer Computing for Information Search (P2PSearch '08), Hainan Island, China, December 2008.
- TPC Co-Chair, International Workshop on P2P Information Management (P2PIM '06), Hong Kong, May 2006.
- Tutorial Co-Chair, PAKDD 2026, Hong Kong, June 2026
- Workshop Co-Chair, ICDE 2025, Hong Kong, May 2025
- Best Paper Committee Chair, NDBC 2022, August 2022
- Local Organizing Team Member, ICDE 2019, Macau, April 2019
- Best Paper Committee Member, DASFAA 2017, Suzhou, China, March 2017
- Publicity Co-Chair, Int'l Conf. on Privacy-Aware Computing (PAC 2017), Washington DC, USA, August 2017
- Publication Co-Chair, NDBC 2016, Shenzhen, China, Oct 2016
- Publicity Co-Chair, BigCOMP 2016, Hong Kong, China, Jan. 2016
- Student Activities Co-Chair, INFOCOM 2015, Hong Kong, China, April 2015
- Workshop Co-Chair, The 15th International Conference on Web-Age Information Management (WAIM), Macau, China, June 2014
- Publication Co-Chair, The 14th International Conference on Web-Age Information Management (WAIM), Beidaihe, China, June 2013
- Demo Co-Chair, The 18th Intl. Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA), Wuhan, China, April 2013
- Workshop Co-Chair, The 14th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM), Milan, Italy, June 2013
- Workshop Co-Chair, The 16th Intl. Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA), Hong Kong, April 2011
- Publicity Co-Chair, The 10th Intl. Conf. on Mobile Data Management (MDM '09), Taipei, Taiwan, May 2009

- Seminar Co-Chair, The 9th Intl. Conf. on Mobile Data Management (MDM '08), Beijing, China, April 2008
- Publication Chair, The 2nd Intl. Conf. on Mobile Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks (MSN '06), Hong Kong December 2006.
- Organizing Committee Member, IEEE ICDM '06 / WI '06 / IAT '06, Hong Kong, December 2006.
- Local Arrangement Co-Chair, IEEE INFOCOM '04, Hong Kong, March 2004.

E. Conference/Workshop Technical Program Committee (TPC) Member

- ACM SIGMOD International Conference on Management of Data (SIGMOD): 2011 (Demo), 2015, 2022
- International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (VLDB): 2014, 2017, 2019-2021, 2023, 2025
- IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE): 2009-2012, 2015-2016 (Demo), 2018-2023
- IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM): 2004, 2006, 2008-2022
- International Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA): 2010-2020, 2021-2025 (Senior PC Member)
- International World Wide Web Conference (WWW): 2008, 2009, 2018
- IEEE International Conference on Big Data (BigData): 2013, 2014, 2017-2018 (Senior PC Member)
- ACM Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM): 2009, 2010, 2019 (Senior PC Member)
- The APWeb-WAIM Joint Conference on Web and Big Data: 2017 (Senior PC Member)
- International Conference on Database- and Expert Systems Applications (DEXA): 2009, 2010
- International Conference on Web-Age Information Management (WAIM): 2006, 2007, 2009-2015
- International Conference on Distributed Computing in Sensor Systems (DCOSS): 2015
- International ACM Workshop on Data Engineering for Wireless and Mobile Access (MobiDE): 2012
- ACM International Workshop on Mobile Geographic Information Systems (MobiGIS): 2012-2015
- IFIP international conference on Distributed Applications and Interoperable Systems (DAIS): 2009
- ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC): 2003-2015
- Asia-Pacific Web Conference (APWeb): 2007-2016
- ICDE Workshop on Uncertain Data Management: 2009
- IEEE International Conference on Sensor Networks, Ubiquitous, and Trustworthy Computing (SUTC): 2008
- International Conference on Embedded Software and Systems (ICCESS): 2008
- VLDB Workshop on Data Management for Sensor Networks (DMSN): 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010
- ICDE Workshop on RFID Data Management (RFDM): 2008
- ICDE Workshop on Ambient Intelligence, Media, and Sensing (AIMS): 2007
- MDM Workshop on Privacy-Aware Location-based Mobile Services (PALMS): 2007, 2008, 2009
- SIGMOD PhD Workshop on Innovative Database Research (IDAR): 2007
- IFIP International Conference on Embedded and Ubiquitous Computing (EUC): 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009
- Annual International Conference on Mobile and Ubiquitous Systems (MobiQuitous): 2007
- International Conference on Communications and Networking in China (CHINACOM): 2007, 2008
- SIWN International Conference on Complex Open Distributed Systems (CODS): 2007
- International Conference on Scalable Information Systems (INFOSCALE): 2007, 2009
- International workshop on DataBase Management and Application over Networks (DBMAN): 2007
- ICDCS Workshop on Mobile Distributed Computing (MDC): 2004-2007
- Annual IEEE Consumer Communications and Networking Conference (CCNC): 2007
- ICDM Workshop on Spatial and Spatio-temporal Data Mining (SSTDM): 2006
- IEEE TENCON Conference: 2006
- International Workshop on INformation Processing over Evolving Networks (WINPEN): 2006
- International Symposium on Pervasive Computing and Applications: 2006
- International Conference on Mobile Ad-hoc and Sensor Networks (MSN): 2005
- IEEE International Conference on e-Business Engineering (ICEBE): 2005, 2011

- International Symposium on Parallel and Distributed Processing and Applications (ISPA): 2005
- International Conference on Real-Time and Embedded Computing Systems and Applications (RTCSA): 2005
- International Workshop on Web Based Collaboration (WBC): 2003, 2004, 2005
- International Human.Society@Internet Conference (HSI): 2003, 2005
- Annual IEEE Conference INFOCOM: 2004