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Research Interests My research is motivated by the *data management* needs of life sciences applications and of social information processing. I am working on incorporating semantic context into search, ranking, and data exploration in large complex datasets. I am also interested in managing provenance in scientific workflows, and in the related *privacy and security* considerations.

Affiliation

Department of Computer and Information Science
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA
11/2011 – currently Visiting Scholar
11/2009 – 10/2011 Postdoctoral Researcher, Computing Innovations Fellow

Education

PhD in Computer Science
Columbia University
09/2004 – 10/2009

- ✓ Thesis “Search and Ranking in Semantically Rich Applications.”
- ✓ Advised by Professor Kenneth A. Ross

MS in Computer Science
Columbia University
09/2003 – 05/2004

- ✓ Fully funded through a research assistantship
- ✓ GPA: 4.0/4.0

BS in Computer Science
BS in Mathematics and Statistics
University of Massachusetts Amherst
09/1995 – 08/1998

- ✓ Graduated magna cum laude, GPA 3.73/4.0
- ✓ Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- ✓ Recipient of the 1997 Du Bois Research Scholarship

Publications

1. “Viewing the Web as a Distributed Knowledge Base”, S. Abiteboul, E. Antoine, J. Stoyanovich, *ICDE 2012* (invited talk by S. Abiteboul).
2. “Putting Lipstick on Pig: Enabling Database-style Workflow Provenance”, Y. Amsterdamer, S.B. Davidson, D. Deutch, T. Milo, J. Stoyanovich, V. Tannen, *PVLDB 5(4)*, 2011.
3. “Deriving Probabilistic Databases with Inference Ensembles”, J. Stoyanovich, S.B. Davidson, T. Milo, V. Tannen, *ICDE 2011* (19.8% accepted).
4. “Making Interval-based Clustering Rank-aware”, J. Stoyanovich, S. Amer-Yahia, T. Milo, *EDBT 2011* (27.7% accepted).
5. “Keyword Search in Workflow Repositories with Access Control”, S.B. Davidson, S.M. Lee, J. Stoyanovich, *AMW 2011*.
6. “On Provenance and Privacy”, S.B. Davidson, S. Khanna, S. Roy, J. Stoyanovich, V. Tannen, Y. Chen, *ICDT 2011* (invited talk by S.B. Davidson).
7. “Enabling Privacy in Provenance-aware Workflow Systems”, S.B. Davidson, S. Khanna, S. Roy, J. Stoyanovich, V. Tannen, Y. Chen, T. Milo, *CIDR 2011*.
8. “AnnotCompute: Annotation-Based Exploration and Meta-analysis of Biological Experiments”, J. Zheng, J. Stoyanovich, J. Liu, E. Manduchi, C.J. Stoeckert, Jr., *The Journal of Biological Databases and Curation*, 2011.
9. “SkylineSearch: Semantic Ranking and Result Visualization for PubMed”, J. Stoyanovich, M. Lodha, W. Mee, K.A. Ross, *SIGMOD 2011* (demonstration).

10. "Semantic Ranking and Result Visualization for Life Sciences Publications", J. Stoyanovich, W. Mee, and K.A. Ross, *ICDE 2010* (12.5% accepted).
11. "Exploring Repositories of Scientific Workflows", J. Stoyanovich, B. Taskar, S. Davidson, *WANDS 2010*.
12. "Rank-Aware Clustering for Structured Datasets", J. Stoyanovich, S. Amer-Yahia, *CIKM 2009* (short paper).
13. "Efficient Network-Aware Search in Collaborative Tagging Sites", S. Amer-Yahia, M. Benedikt, L. Lakshmanan, J. Stoyanovich, *PVLDB(1), 2008* (16.5% accepted).
14. "Schema Polynomials and Applications", K.A. Ross, J. Stoyanovich, *EDBT 2008* (16.7% accepted).
15. "From del.icio.us to x.qui.site: Recommendations in Social Tagging Sites", S. Amer-Yahia, A. Galland, J. Stoyanovich, C. Yu, *SIGMOD 2008* (demonstration).
16. "Leveraging Tagging to Model User Interests in del.icio.us", J. Stoyanovich, S. Amer-Yahia, C. Marlow, C. Yu. *AAAI Spring Symposium on Social Information Processing (AAAI-SIP) 2008*.
17. "EntityAuthority: Semantically-Enriched Graph Based Authority Propagation", J. Stoyanovich, S. Bedathur, K. Berberich, G. Weikum, *WebDB 2007* (25% accepted).
18. "MutaGeneSys: Making Diagnostic Predictions Based on Genome-Wide Association Data in Genotype Studies", J. Stoyanovich, I. Pe'er, *Bioinformatics, 12/2007* (5.039 impact factor).
19. "A Faceted Query Engine Applied to Archaeology", K.A. Ross, A. Janevski, J. Stoyanovich, *Internet Archaeology, 04/2007*.
20. "A Faceted Query Engine Applied to Archaeology", K.A. Ross, A. Janevski, J. Stoyanovich, *VLDB 2005* (demonstration).
21. "Symmetric Relations and Cardinality Bounded Multisets in Database Systems", K.A. Ross and J. Stoyanovich, *VLDB 2004* (16.1% accepted).

Submitted Publications and Working Papers

22. "Learning to Explore Scientific Workflow Repositories", P. Dhillon, J. Stoyanovich, B. Lyons, S.B. Davidson.
23. "Identifying Ranked Agreement in Large Structured Datasets", J. Stoyanovich, S. Amer-Yahia, T. Milo.

Patents

1. "Automatically and Adaptively Determining Execution Plans for Queries with Parameter Markers", W. Fan, G. Lohman, V. Markl, N. Megiddo, J. Rao, D. Simmen, J. Stoyanovich. US Patent 7,958,113. Assignee: IBM.
2. "Social Behavior Analysis and Inferring Social Networks for a Recommendation System", S. Amer-Yahia, E. Gabrilovich, B. Pang, J. Stoyanovich, C. Yu. US Patent 8,073,794 (Dec 6, 2011). Assignee: Yahoo! Inc.

Funding

1. NSF/CRA Computing Innovations Fellow: Data Exploration in Biological Repositories (2009-2011).
2. Google Research Award: Identifying ranked agreement among raters (2012).

Research Experience

11/2011 – currently Visiting Scholar
 11/2009 – 10/2011 Postdoctoral Researcher / Computing Innovations Fellow
 Department of Computer and Information Science
 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA
 Supervised by Professor Susan B. Davidson

- ✓ Scientific workflows and provenance
 - Exploring repositories of scientific workflows
 - Managing and querying workflow provenance
 - Security and privacy
- ✓ Search and ranking in semantic context
 - Rank-aware clustering
 - Modeling ranked agreement
- ✓ Probabilistic data management: deriving probabilistic databases from incomplete data

09/2003 – 10/2009 Graduate Research Assistant
Department of Computer Science
Columbia University, New York NY USA
Advised by Professor Kenneth A. Ross

- ✓ Doctoral thesis “Search and Ranking in Semantically Rich Applications”
- ✓ Research in data representation in complex domains, in scope of two projects
 - Computational Tools for Modeling, Visualizing and Analyzing Archaeological Sites
 - MAGNet: Multiscale Analysis of Genomic and Cellular Networks

Summer 2008 Research Intern
Summer 2007 Community Systems and Social Systems Groups
Yahoo! Research, New York NY USA
Supervised by Dr. Sihem Amer-Yahia

- ✓ Data representation and processing techniques for social information sites
- ✓ Rank-aware exploration of structured datasets

Summer 2006 Research Intern
Databases and Information Systems Group
Max-Planck Institut für Informatik, Saarbruecken, Germany
Supervised by Professor Gerhard Weikum

- ✓ Semantically enriched ranking for graphs such as Wikipedia and the Web

Summer 2005 Research Intern
Advanced Optimization Group
IBM Almaden Research Center, San Jose, CA, USA
Supervised by Jun Rao, Volker Markl, and Guy Lohman

- ✓ Novel query optimization techniques for the DB2 optimizer

02/1998 – 08/1998 Undergraduate Research Assistant
01/1996 – 03/1997 Center for Knowledge Communication
Department of Computer Science, UMass Amherst, MA USA
Supervised by Dr. Joseph Beck

- ✓ Example generation strategies and UI design for an Intelligent Mathematics Tutor

Teaching Experience

- ✓ Computer and Information Science Department University of Pennsylvania Instructor, Spring 2012
Data structures and algorithms with Java (CIS 121)
Instructor, Fall 2010
Advanced topics in databases: information discovery in massive datasets (CIS 650), co-taught with Susan Davidson
- ✓ Computer Science Department Columbia University Instructor, Summer 2009
Object-oriented programming and design in Java (COMS 1007)
Teaching Assistant, Spring 2006 and Spring 2007
Advanced database systems (COMS 6111)
- ✓ Joint EDBT / RussIR Summer School Saint Petersburg, Russia Instructor, Summer 2011
Top-K processing for search and information discovery in social applications, co-taught with Sihem Amer-Yahia
- ✓ Encoda Systems, New York, NY Instructor, Spring 2003
Technical seminars on foundations of relational database systems

Leadership

- ✓ Senator, Columbia University Senate, member of the Senate Education Committee, 09/2006-05/2007
- ✓ Dean Search Committee, Columbia University, School of Engineering and Applied Science, Spring 2008
- ✓ Steering Committee Member, Columbia University Graduate Student Advisory Council, 09/2004 – 05/2009

Languages fluent in English, German, Russian, and Serbian; intermediate Italian.

References are available and will be furnished upon request.