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Education

University of California Berkeley

PhD in Computer Science (2013 – 2019), Advised by Prof. Ion Stoica

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

B. Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering (2009 – 2013)

Work History

Yale University, New Haven

Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Spring 2020 - Present

Cornell University, New York Campus

Postdoctoral Associate, Fall 2019

Microsoft Research

Summer Research Intern, 2014 and 2012

Awards & Honors

Best Paper Award, ACM ASPLOS 2026

“CounterPoint: Using Hardware Event Counters to Refute & Refine Microarchitectural Assumptions”

IEEE MICRO’s Top-picks in Computer Architecture, 2025

“CORD: Low-Latency, Bandwidth-Efficient and Scalable Release Consistency via Directory Ordering”

Distinguished Artifact Award, ACM ISCA 2025

“CORD: Low-Latency, Bandwidth-Efficient and Scalable Release Consistency via Directory Ordering”

NetApp Faculty Fellowship, 2024

To develop GPU-native vector storage and indexing for accelerating AI workloads.

Best Student Paper Award, ACM EuroSys 2024

“TRINITY: A Fast Compressed Multi-attribute Data Store”

IEEE MICRO’s Top-picks in Computer Architecture, 2023

“SCALO: An Accelerator-Rich Distributed System for Scalable Brain-Computer Interfaces”

Best Paper Award, ACM ISCA 2023

“SCALO: An Accelerator-Rich Distributed System for Scalable Brain-Computer Interfaces”

Roberts Innovation Award, 2023

For innovations in data center resource disaggregation.

NSF CAREER Award, 2021

For developing in-network memory management for disaggregated data centers.

NetApp Faculty Fellowship, 2021

For developing elastic and compressed disaggregated memory for edge data centers.

Distinguished Paper Award, USENIX Security 2020

For paper *“Pancake: Frequency Smoothing for Encrypted Data Stores”*

Madan Sundar Sahu Scholarship 2010, 2011, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

For outstanding academic performance during 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

Research Focus *My research interests span computer [systems](#), [networks](#), and [security](#).*
My work addresses challenges in processing, storing, and serving large volumes of data to empower real-world systems: from sprawling internet services like social media to critical tools in health and medicine. My research formulates such challenges as algorithm and data structure design problems, resulting in practical systems backed by strong theoretical guarantees that have found their way into production.

Research Impact [2025] [CORD](#) incorporated in the design of NVIDIA GPU-CPU architectures.
[2024] [PromptCache](#) adopted in [Gemini](#), [OpenAI](#), and [Anthropic](#) for reusing attention states across LLM prompts.
[2024] [Trinity](#) adopted in NetApp's services to improve storage efficiency and performance.
[2023] The ideas underlying [SCALO](#) are being tested by Yale Neurosurgery in FPGA-based emulation frameworks for interfacing with the human brain in the operating room.
[2021] My [NSF CAREER Award project](#), [MIND](#), is the foundational system and central pillar of the multi-institution \$20-million NSF-funded AI Institute, [Athena](#).
[2019] [Confluo](#) employed in [Alibaba Cloud](#) for consuming and analyzing telemetry data.
[2015] [Succinct](#) employed by [Databricks customers](#) to query compressed RDDs.

Publications *Students/postdocs under my supervision are highlighted in bold in the author list.*

Conferences & Workshops

- [C1] [BulletTime: Time Dilation for High-Fidelity Tracing](#). **Michael Wu**, Sibren Isaacman, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. In *ACM ISCA*, 2026
- [C2] [Efficient and Scalable Synchronization via Generalized Cache Coherence](#). **Yanpeng Yu**, **Seung-seob Lee**, Lin Zhong, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *USENIX OSDI*, 2026
- [C3] [TickingLLM: Time-sensitive LLM Serving System for Physical-I/O Limited Agents](#). Neiwene Ling, Guojun Chen, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Lin Zhong. In *ACM MobiSys*, 2026
- [C4] [CounterPoint: Using Hardware Event Counters to Refute and Refine Microarchitectural Assumptions](#). Nick Lindsay, Caroline Trippel, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. In *ACM ASPLOS*, 2026. [[Best Paper Award](#)]
- [C5] [Spirit: Fair Allocation of Interdependent Resources in Remote Memory Systems](#). **Seung-seob Lee**, **Jachym Putta**, **Ziming Mao**, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *ACM SOSP*, 2025
- [C6] [Scalable Far Memory: Balancing Faults and Evictions](#). Yueyang Pan^{*}, **Yash Lala^{*}**, Musa Unal, Yujie Ren, **Seung-seob Lee**, Abhishek Bhattacharjee, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Sanidhya Kashyap. In *ACM SOSP*, 2025. (^{*}Equal contribution authors)
- [C7] [Found in Translation: A Generative Language Modeling Approach to Memory Access Pattern Attacks](#). **Grace Jia**, Alex Wong, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *USENIX Security*, 2025
- [C8] [Weave: Efficient and Expressive Oblivious Analytics at Scale](#). **Mahdi Soleimani**, **Grace Jia**, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *USENIX OSDI*, 2025

- [C9] [CORD: Low-Latency, Bandwidth-Efficient and Scalable Release Consistency via Directory Ordering](#). **Yanpeng Yu**, Nicolai Oswald, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *ACM ISCA*, 2025. [[Distinguished Artifact Award](#)][[IEEE Micro's Top Picks in Computer Architecture 2025](#)]
- [C10] [PULSE: Accelerating Distributed Pointer-Traversals on Disaggregated Memory](#). **Yupeng Tang**, **Seung-seob Lee**, Abhishek Bhattacharjee, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *ACM ASPLOS*, 2025
- [C11] [Exploring Intelligent Dynamic Resource Provisioning for Elastic Massive MIMO vRAN](#). Parthiban Annamalai, Minsung Kim, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Lin Zhong. In *ACM HotMobile*, 2025
- [C12] [Length Leakage in Oblivious Data Access Mechanisms](#). **Grace Jia**, Rachit Agarwal, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *USENIX Security*, 2024
- [C13] [Distributed Brain-Computer Interfacing With a Networked Multiaccelerator Architecture](#). Raghavendra Pothukuchi, **Karthik Sriram**, Michał Gerasimiuk, Muhammed Ugur, Rajit Manohar, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. *IEEE Micro*, 2024
- [C14] [Prompt Cache: Modular attention reuse for low-latency inference](#). In Gim, Guojun Chen, **Seung-seob Lee**, Nikhil Sarda, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Lin Zhong. *MLSys*, 2024
- [C15] [Trinity: A Fast Compressed Multi-attribute Data Store](#). **Ziming Mao**, Kiran Srinivasan, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. In *ACM EuroSys*, 2024. [[Best Student Paper Award](#)]
- [C16] [Karma: Resource Allocation for Dynamic Demands](#). Midhul Vuppalapati, Giannis Fikioris, Rachit Agarwal, Asaf Cidon, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Éva Tardos. In *USENIX OSDI*, 2023
- [C17] [Prefetching Using Principles of Hippocampal-Neocortical Interaction](#). **Michael Wu**, Ketaki Joshi, Andrew Sheinberg, Guilherme Cox, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Raghavendra Pradyumna Pothukuchi, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. In *ACM HotOS*, 2023
- [C18] [SCALO: An Accelerator-Rich Distributed System for Scalable Brain-Computer Interfacing](#). **Karthik Sriram**, Raghavendra Pothukuchi, Michał Gerasimiuk, Muhammed Ugur, Oliver Ye, Rajit Manohar, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. In *ACM ISCA*, 2023. [[Best Paper Award](#)][[IEEE Micro's Top Picks in Computer Architecture 2023](#)]
- [C19] [Shepherd: Serving DNNs in the Wild](#). **Hong Zhang**, **Yupeng Tang**, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Ion Stoica. In *USENIX NSDI*, 2023
- [C20] [Shortstack: Distributed, Fault-tolerant, Oblivious Data Access](#). Midhul Vuppalapati*, Kushal Babel*, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Rachit Agarwal. In *USENIX OSDI*, 2022. (*Equal contribution authors)
- [C21] [Jiffy: Elastic Far-memory for Stateful Serverless Analytics](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, **Yupeng Tang**, Rachit Agarwal, Aditya Akella, and Ion Stoica. In *ACM EuroSys*, 2022
- [C22] [MIND: In-Network Memory Management for Disaggregated Data Centers](#). **Seung-seob Lee**, **Yanpeng Yu**, **Yupeng Tang**, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Lin Zhong, and Abhishek Bhattacharjee. In *ACM SOSP*, 2021
- [C23] [What Serverless Computing Is and Should Become: The Next Phase of Cloud Computing](#). Johann Schleier-Smith, Vikram Sreekanti, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Joao Carreira, Neeraja J. Yadwadkar, Raluca Ada Popa, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Ion Stoica, and David A. Patterson. *Communications of the ACM*, 2021
- [C24] [Caerus: Nimble Task Scheduling for Serverless Analytics](#). **Hong Zhang**, **Yupeng Tang**, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Jingrong Chen, and Ion Stoica. In *USENIX NSDI*, 2021

- [C25] [Pancake: Frequency Smoothing for Encrypted Data Stores](#). Paul Grubbs*, **Anurag Khandelwal***, Marie-Sarah Lacharité*, Lloyd Brown, Lucy Li, Rachit Agarwal, and Thomas Ristenpart. In *USENIX Security*, 2020. [[Distinguished Paper Award](#)] (*Equal contribution authors)
- [C26] [Le Taureau: Deconstructing the Serverless Landscape & A Look Forward](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, Arun Kejariwal, and Karthikeyan Ramasamy. In *ACM SIGMOD*, 2020
- [C27] [Confluo: Distributed Monitoring and Diagnosis Stack for High-speed Networks](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, Rachit Agarwal, and Ion Stoica. In *USENIX NSDI*, 2019
- [C28] [ZipG: A Memory-efficient Graph Store for Interactive Queries](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, Zongheng Yang, Evan Ye, Rachit Agarwal, and Ion Stoica. In *ACM SIGMOD*, 2017
- [C29] [BlowFish: Dynamic Storage-Performance Tradeoff in Data Stores](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, Rachit Agarwal, and Ion Stoica. In *USENIX NSDI*, 2016
- [C30] [Succinct: Enabling Queries on Compressed Data](#). Rachit Agarwal, **Anurag Khandelwal**, and Ion Stoica. In *USENIX NSDI*, 2015

Theses

- [T1] [Queries on compressed data](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**. University of California, Berkeley, 2019

Technical Reports

- [R1] [Cloud Programming Simplified: A Berkeley View on Serverless Computing](#). Eric Jonas, Johann Schleier-Smith, Vikram Sreekanti, Chia-Che Tsai, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Qifan Pu, Vaishaal Shankar, João Carreira, Karl Krauth, Neeraja J. Yadwadkar, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Raluca Ada Popa, Ion Stoica, and David A. Patterson. *UC Berkeley Technical Report*, 2019
- [R2] [Attacking Data Center Networks from the Inside](#). **Anurag Khandelwal**, Navendu Jain, and Seny Kamara. *Microsoft Research Technical Report*, 2015

Preprints

- [P1] [Efficient MoE Serving in the Memory-Bound Regime: Balance Activated Experts, Not Tokens](#). **Yanpeng Yu**, Haiyue Ma, Krish Agarwal, Nicolai Oswald, Qijing Huang, Hugo Linsenmaier, Chunhui Mei, Ritchie Zhao, Ritika Borkar, Bitu Darvish Rouhani, David Nellans, Ronny Krashinsky, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. *arXiv Paper 2512/09277*, 2025
- [P2] [Wiretapping LLMs: Network Side-Channel Attacks on Interactive LLM Services](#). **Mahdi Soleimani**, **Grace Jia**, In Gim, **Seung-seob Lee**, and **Anurag Khandelwal**. *Cryptology ePrint Archive, Paper 2025/167*, 2025

Invited Talks

Performant Shared Disaggregated Memory

Carnegie Mellon University, November 2025
University of Washington, October 2025
University of Texas–Austin, October 2025
Princeton University, October 2025
University of Pennsylvania, October 2025
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, September 2025
New York University, March 2025
Brown University, March 2025
NSF AI Institute Showcase, Duke University, August 2024
Microsoft Research, August 2024
AMD Research, April 2024

In-Network Memory Management for Disaggregated Data Centers

NSF AI Institute Showcase, Duke University, August 2022
Cornell University, November 2021
VMWare, November 2021
Columbia University, October 2021

Jiffy: Ephemeral Storage for Serverless Analytics

Facebook, March 2021
Intel, March 2021

Serverless streaming architectures & algorithms for the enterprise

Global STAC Live, October 2020 (Industry conference for industry leaders in technology.)
Strata Data Conference, September 2019 (Industry conference of over 5000 companies.)

Building Interactive Query Systems

Yale University, April 2019
Purdue University, March 2019
Microsoft Research, Redmond, March 2019
Microsoft Research, Cambridge (UK), March 2019

Realtime Monitoring and Analysis with Confluo

Splunk, San Francisco, February 2018

Succinct: Enabling Queries on Compressed Data

SF Big Analytics Meetup, San Francisco, September 2016
Bay Area AI Meetup, San Francisco, September 2016
Cloudera, San Francisco, June 2016

Funding

NSF SaTC: CORE: Medium: Fortifying and Enriching Confidential Computing Environments

2025-28, \$900,000; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**, Co-PIs: Lin Zhong, Seung-seob Lee

NetApp Faculty Fellowship: AI-Native Vector Storage and Indexing

2024-25, \$117,686; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**

Yale Engineering AI Seed Grant: Brain-Inspired Memory Systems for AI Infrastructure

2024-25, \$150,000; PI: Abhishek Bhattacharjee, Co-PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**

Roberts Innovation Fund: Disaggregated Edge Clouds

2023-24, \$50,000; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**

NSF RINGS: Intelligent and Resilient Virtualization of Massive MIMO Physical Layer

2022-25, \$1,000,000; PI: Lin Zhong, Co-PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**

Swebilius Foundation Award

2022, \$16,000; PI: Abhishek Bhattacharjee, Co-PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**, Rajit Manohar

NSF AI Institute for Edge Computing Leveraging Next Generation Networks

2021-26, \$20,000,000; Multi-institution, multi-PI grant, \$575,000 to **Khandelwal**

NSF PPOSS: Planning: High-Performance Certified Trust for Global-Scale Applications

2021-22, \$250,000; PI: Zhong Shao, Co-PIs: Abhishek Bhattacharjee, **Anurag Khandelwal**, Lin Zhong

NSF SaTC: CORE: Medium: Mixed Distribution Models for Encrypted Data Stores

2021-25, \$1,000,000; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**, Co-PIs: Rachit Agarwal, Thomas Ristenpart

NetApp Faculty Fellowship: A Unified Data Stack for Next-Generation IoT Systems

2021, \$50,000; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**, Co-PI: Abhishek Bhattacharjee

NSF CAREER: In-Network Memory Management for Disaggregated Datacenters

2021-26, \$626,647.00; PI: **Anurag Khandelwal**

Teaching **CPSC422/522: Operating Systems**

Spring 2026: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 36 (YC)

Spring 2025: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 34 (YC)

Spring 2024: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 44 (YC)

CPSC433/533: Computer Networks

Spring 2022: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 39 (YC)

Spring 2021: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 34 (YC)

Spring 2020: Course Director, 24 Lectures, Enrollment: 44 (YC)

CPSC 438/538: Big Data Systems

Fall 2025: Course Director, 26 Lectures, Enrollment: 51 (YC)

Fall 2023: Course Director, 26 Lectures, Enrollment: 18 (YC)

Fall 2021: Course Director, 26 Lectures, Enrollment: 16 (YC)

CPSC 638: Big Data Systems

Fall 2020: Course Director, 26 Lectures, Enrollment: 3 (YC)

Advising **Postdoctoral Research:**

Seung-seob Lee (2020—, co-advised with Lin Zhong)

Graduate Student Research:

Yupeng Tang (2020—2024, PhD) (→ [Research Scientist at Meta Research](#))

Yanpeng Yu (2021—2026 PhD) (→ [Research Scientist at Databricks](#))

Grace Jia (2022—)

Yash Lala (2023—)

Mahdi Solemani (2023—)

Jachym Putta (2023—2025; Masters (→ [TechOps Engineer at DE Shaw](#)))

Undergraduate Student Research: Rylan Yang (2025), Pax Ryan (2025), Rohan Thakur (2025—26), Michael Tu (2024), Troy Feng (2023), Raymond Yang (2023), Ziming Mao (2021—24), Gabriel Buchdahl (2022—23), Jachym Putta (2022—23), Adit Gupta (2022—23), Yuxuan Chen (2022), Eli Sage-Martinson (2022), Stanley Wong (2022), Daniel Li (2021—22), Brian Liu (2021), Alan Chen (2021), Jonathan Kraft (2021), Eric Chang (2020)

Education Outreach	<p>Yale Pathways to Science, Summer Scholars Program</p> <p><i>“Through the Clouds: An Introduction to Cloud Computing”</i></p> <p>Instructor for 4-day workshop for high-school students (Summer 2021)</p> <p>Instructor for 1-day seminar for high-school students (Summer 2022)</p>
Community Service	<p>Organization Committee: CoNEXT’23 Poster Co-Chair</p> <p>Program Committee: SIGCOMM 2020, NSDI 2021, NSDI 2022, HotNets 2022, NSDI 2023, EuroSys 2023, SOSP 2024, EuroSys 2025, OSDI 2025, NSDI 2026, SOSP 2026, EuroSys 2027</p> <p>Journal Editorial Board (Serverless Area): JSys 2021</p> <p>External Program Committee: ASPLOS 2021</p> <p>NSF Panels: Undisclosed due to participant confidentiality.</p>
University Service	<p>Yale Quantitative Reasoning Council: 2025-26</p> <p>Yale College Dean’s Fellowship Review Committee: 2026, 2024</p>
Department Service	<p>Chair, Colloquium Committee: Fall 2021</p> <p>CS Undergraduate Advisor: 2021-22 (Freshman/Sophomore), 2024-25 (Junior), 2025-26 (Junior)</p> <p>Yale CS Research Internship Program: Created and led the program (2021-25)</p> <p>Faculty Hiring Committee: 2025 (Database Systems Area Search)</p> <p>PhD Admissions Committee: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026</p> <p>Summer Systems Seminars: 2020, 2021, 2022</p> <p>PhD Thesis Committee: Bo Hu (2021), Karthik Sriram (2023), Yupeng Tang (2024), Yanpeng Yu (2026), Nick Lindsay (2026)</p>