

Biography

Kyu-Young Whang is a Distinguished Professor at Computer Science Department of KAIST. Before joining KAIST in 1990, he was a Research Staff Member at IBM T. J. Watson Research Center, New York. His research is mostly in database systems including query processing/optimization, physical database design, indexing, and more recently, in DB-IR integration and search engines. He is an author of over 120 papers in major journals and conferences. He served the research community in various capacities including the coordinating Editor-in-Chief of The VLDB Journal, the general chair of VLDB2006, a PC co-chair of VLDB, ICDE, and CoopIS, a steering committee member of IEEE ICDE, a trustee of VLDB Endowment, and the steering committee chair of DASFAA. He earned his PhD from Stanford University. He received a best paper award and a best demonstration award from IEEE ICDE. He is a Fellow of the IEEE and ACM.

Position statement

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