7 Secrets That My Mother Didn't Tell Me

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ABSTRACT

What does it take to be a good researcher? And, is it different when you are a women? These are questions that many of us are wondering about throughout our career. Being honored with a VLDB Women in Database Research Award, I would like to share with you in this talk some of the secrets to successful research that I have learned over the years. These secrets highlight some of the fundamental research directions that I have taken. No less importantly, they explain how I successfully got to work on them, both personally and professionally.

BIOGRAPHY

Tova Milo received her Ph.D. degree in Computer Science from the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, in 1992. After graduating she worked at the INRIA research institute in Paris and at University of Toronto and returned to Israel in 1995, joining the School of Computer Science at Tel Aviv university, where she is now a full Professor. She is the head of the Database research group and holds the Chair of Information Management. She served as the Head of the Computer Science Department from 2011-2014. Her research focuses on large-scale data management applications such as data integration, semi-structured information, Data-centered Business Processes and Crowd-sourcing, studying both theoretical and practical aspects. Tova served as the Program Chair of several international conferences, including PODS, VLDB, ICDT, XSym, and WebDB, and as the chair of the PODS Executive Committee. She served as a member of the VLDB Endowment and the PODS and ICDT executive boards and as an editor of TODS and the Logical Methods in Computer Science Journal. She is an ACM Fellow, a member of Academia Europaea, a recipient of the 2010 ACM PODS Alberto O. Mendelzon Test-of-Time Award, the 2017 Weizmann award for Exact Sciences Research, and the prestigious EU ERC Advanced Investigators grant.