

# YIXIAN ZHANG

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## EDUCATION

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**Tsinghua University**

School of Information Science and Technology

**Southeast University**

Information and Computing Science

*Coursework:* Reinforcement Learning, Robotics, AI Agent, Optimization

*August 2024 - now*

Overall GPA: 3.96/4

*September 2020 - June 2024*

Overall GPA: 3.8/4

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Game Agent**

2022 - 2023

*IEEE Transactions on Games (first author, accepted)*

- **Title:** Deep reinforcement learning using optimized Monte Carlo tree search in EWN
- Develop a game agent for chess game using the optimized deep reinforcement learning techniques

**Sample Efficient Reinforcement Learning**

2024

*ICLR (first author, accepted)*

- **Title:** Residual Kernel Policy Network: Enhancing Stability and Robustness in RKHS-Based Reinforcement Learning
- Improving the sample efficiency in reinforcement learning with RKHS, while residual layer and representation learning are utilized to enhance stability and robustness issues caused by RKHS method.

**Large Multi-Agent Systems**

2023-2025

*IEEE Transactions on Power Systems (first author, minor revision)*

- **Title:** High-Dimensional Probability Preserving Scenario Reduction Method Using Adaptive Selection with Sampling for Large-Scale Power System
- Develop an optimization framework for large-scale power systems to preserve the probability characteristics within high-dimensional distributions.

**Other Publications**

- Li, Z., Wei, Y., **Zhang, Y.**, Zhao, X., Cao, J., & Guo, J. (2024). Adaptive data processing framework for efficient short-term traffic flow prediction. *Nonlinear Dynamics*, 112(17), 15231-15249.
- **Zhang, Y.**, Tang, H., Wei, C., Ding, W. (2025). Bidirectional Soft Actor-Critic: Leveraging Forward and Reverse KL Divergence for Efficient Reinforcement Learning, arxiv.
- **Zhang, Y.**, Tang, H., Wang, C., Ding, W. (2025). Policy Newton Algorithm in Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space, arxiv.
- Wei, C., Tang, H., **Zhang, Y.**, Wang, C., Ding, W. (2025). Distributional Decision Transformer: Risk-Sensitive Offline RL via Quantile-Based Critics and Stochastic Return, IROS, under review.

## AWARDS, HONORS

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**Outstanding graduates in Southeast University (5%), Undergraduate Excellent Graduation Project in Southeast University (5%)**

**The first prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (0.55%)**