

# Yuchen Tang

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## Skills

**Programming:** Proficient with C, Python, and Git; Good understanding of **ML Algorithms** and **Linux Kernel Internals**

**Parallel Programming:** ISPC, Pthreads, OpenMP, **CUDA**

**Areas of Interest:** CXL, RDMA, MLSys, HPC

**Languages:** English (fluent), Mandarin (native)

## Education

<b>MS</b>	<b>Stony Brook University</b> , Computer Engineering	Stony Brook, NY, USA Sept 2024 – Dec 2025
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected Courses: Advanced VLSI Systems Design, Deep Learning Algorithms and Software, Operating Systems, Parallel Processing Architectures</li> <li>GPA: 4.0/4.0</li> </ul>	
<b>BS</b>	<b>University of Michigan</b> , Computer Science Minor in Mathematics	Ann Arbor, MI, USA Sept 2019 – June 2022
<b>BS</b>	<b>Shanghai Jiao Tong University</b> , Electrical and Computer Engineering	Shanghai, China Sept 2017 – Sept 2019

## Publications

<b>Practical and Scalable RDMA Connection Sharing for HPC Workload</b>	Sept 2025
Yuejie Wang, Tuo Fang, Biyu Peng, Yang Cheng, Xin Sun, Chengchao Xu, <i>Yuchen Tang*</i> , Yuxin Ren, Ning Jia, Xinwei Hu, Yunfei Du, Guyue Liu (EuroSys'26)	
<b>Something about CXL Live VM Migration</b>	Dec 2025
Tyler Estro, Daniel Berger, Michael Ferdman, Geoff Kuenning, <i>Yuchen Tang*</i> , Mohit Verm, Erez Zadok (Coming Soon)	

## Experience

<b>Stony Brook University</b> , Research Assistant and Teaching Assistant	Stony Brook, NY, USA Sept 2024 – Dec 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Compas Lab</b> 🔗: Developed from scratch a device driver for an Ethernet NIC on FPGA with <b>Prof. Mike Ferdman</b> 🔗, achieving <b>50% performance boost</b>, supporting <b>NAPI-based polling</b></li> <li><b>FSL Lab</b> 🔗: Developed a working prototype with <b>Prof. Erez Zadok</b> 🔗 to enable QEMU VM live migration with CXL type-3 memory devices, achieving a <b>2× faster</b> migration speed over traditional TCP-based methods in internal benchmarks</li> <li>Assisted <b>Prof. Jorge Mendez-Mendez</b> 🔗 in teaching ESE 577 <b>Deep Learning Algorithms and Software</b>. Set up Gradescope and developed auto-grader public test cases, enhancing grading efficiency. Conducted Q&amp;A and demonstration sessions to clarify complex course material for students.</li> </ul>	
<b>Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.</b> , Operating System Engineer	Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China Sept 2022 – Sept 2024
Owner of <b>etmem</b> 🔗, a tiered memory system manager	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enlarged memory nodes for Huawei's Taishan servers with FPGA-based CXL devices</li> <li>Optimized OpenUCX, an RDMA communication middleware for HPC workloads</li> </ul>	

- Extracted NPU operators in deep learning models for swift modeling and simulations

**Wonders Information Co., Ltd.**, Data Warehouse Maintenance Intern

Shanghai, China

- Used Python to process data and update Apache Hive databases accordingly

May 2021 – Aug 2021

## Projects

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### Parallel Programming: SGEMM + SSSP

Sept 2025 – Dec 2025

Advisor: [Prof. Mikhail Dorojevets](#)

- Requirements: Perform **SGEMM** and report two minimum values and their indices first, then find and display the **Single Source Shortest Weighted Path** between them
- Implemented a series of high-performance matrix multiplication programs with *ISPC*, *Pthreads/OpenMP*, *CUDA*, *MPI* ensuring **robustness across all edge cases** (e.g., small and irregular matrices).
- Designed and optimized CUDA kernels using *shared memory tiling*, *thread tiling*, *float4 vectorization* and *double buffering*, achieving **80%–85% of cuBLAS SGEMM performance**, heavily endorsed by the Instructor.
- Used warp reduction and atomic operations to guarantee correct and swift update of both the minimum value and index. Used a two stage approach to tackle SSSP, one for neighbor exploration and relaxation, second for convergence.

### CXL-based QEMU VM live migration

Apr 2025 – June 2025

Advisor: [Prof. Erez Zadok](#), [Dr. Tyler Estro](#), [Mr. Daniel Berger](#), [Prof. Mike Ferdman](#), [Prof. Geoff Kuenning](#)

- Implemented a new QEMU VM live migration strategy, utilizing a CXL2.0 memory pool as the intermediate bouncing buffer, to support fast Pre-Copy strategy
- Implemented a working proof-of-concept prototype on emulated CXL hardware, achieving a **2× faster** migration speed over traditional TCP-based methods in internal benchmarks
- Helped implement QEMU-level CXL tiering solution, where only hot pages are transferred and cold pages are remapped rather than migrated, making it **zero-copy** by definition

### Ethernet Network Driver Development for AMD AXI FPGA

Oct 2024 – Mar 2025

Advisor: [Prof. Mike Ferdman](#)

- Implemented both TX and RX logic from scratch, 900+ lines of clean, well-documented kernel code, supporting multiple features such as **multi-fragment packet transmission** and **NAPI-based polling**
- Manipulated two ring buffers of hardware descriptors and registers to ensure safe DMA operations, properly handling erroneous situations and fringe cases
- Instructor's comment: *"I've been giving this project to CS students for YEARS, you're the first ones to pull it off."*

### RDMA communication middleware (openUCX) optimization

Oct 2023 – May 2024

Advisor: [Yunfei Du](#), Tuo Fang, [Yuxin Ren](#), [Guyue Liu](#)

- Helped implement **XRC service type**, efficiently bringing down QP numbers thus increasing RDMA scalability
- Helped resolve the **Head-of-Line blocking** problem with a simple yet effective two-level message slicing policy
- Helped set up a finer **credit-based flow control** mechanism
- Evaluated our implementation based on both micro-benchmarks and real-world applications

### Memory node expansion using FPGA-based CXL 1.1 devices

Apr 2023 – Dec 2023

- The company's tiered memory system, etmem, identifies cold and hot pages and migrates them between tiers of memory to best **exploit fast memory for performance and slow memory for capacity**
- Observed the frequent **page ping-pong** caused by original, coarse-grained access bit checking method
- Developed a substitute kernel module that multiplexed the original etmem workflow, selectively listening to either access bit checking or fine-grained hardware access counter results

## Achievements

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### Nina and Vinod Rathore Scholarship

October 15, 2025

This award celebrates your hard work, dedication, and exceptional academic achievements.

### Huawei Future Star

May 2023

Awarded for heavily contributing to the maintenance and optimization of etmem