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## Research Interests

Parallel Computing; Reconfigurable Computing; Architecture-aware Algorithm Design; System Security; Software Security; Mobile Security; Program Analysis; Deep Learning

## Education

- 2013 – 2019 (expect)    ■ **Ph.D. Computer Science, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA, USA**  
Tentative dissertation title: *Challenges, Algorithms, and Frameworks for Accelerating Security Applications on High-Performance Computing Platforms*  
Thesis committee: Prof. Danfeng (Daphne) Yao (Chair), Prof. Michela Becchi (NCSU), Prof. Ali Butt, Prof. Matthew Hicks, Prof. Xinming (Simon) Ou (USF)
- 2010 – 2013    ■ **M.S. Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Missouri, Columbia MO, USA**  
Advisor: Prof. Michela Becchi  
Thesis Title: *Deep Packet Inspection on Large Datasets: Algorithmic and Parallelization Techniques for Accelerating Regular Expression Matching on Many-Core Processors.*
- 2004 – 2008    ■ **B.S. Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, China University of Mining and Technology (CUMT), China**

## Academic & Internship Experience

- 2017 – current    ■ **Graduate Research Assistant. YAO GROUP@Virginia Tech**  
Advisor: Prof. Danfeng (Daphne) Yao  
Elizabeth and James E. Turner Jr. '56 Faculty Fellow & L-3 Faculty Fellow  
Projects: GPU-assisted Android Program Analysis; Cache Side-Channel Attack
- Summer 2017    ■ **Intern. Radeon Technology Group (RTG)@AMD**  
Mentor: Daniel Lowell  
Project: GPU Deep learning library (MIOpen) development
- 2013 – 2017    ■ **Graduate Research Assistant. SYNERGY LAB@Virginia Tech**  
Advisor: Prof. Wu-chun Feng  
Projects: GPU-based CT Image Processing; High-performance Automata Processing
- 2011 – 2013    ■ **Graduate Research Assistant. NPS LAB@University of Missouri**  
Advisor: Prof. Michela Becchi  
Projects: GPU-based Automata Processing

## Research Publications

### Journal Articles

- 1 Yu, X., Wang, H., Feng, W.-c., Gong, H., & Cao, G. (2018). GPU-Based Iterative Medical CT Image Reconstructions. *Journal of Signal Processing Systems (Springer)*. (impact factor = 1.088).
- 2 Yu, X., Lin, B., & Becchi, M. (2014). Revisiting State Blow-Up: Automatically Building Augmented-FA While Preserving Functional Equivalence. *IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Commu.* 32(10), 1822–1833. (impact factor = 7.172, journal-first paper).

### Conference Proceedings

- 1 Lux, T. C. H., Watson, L. T., Bernard, J., Chang, T. H., Li, B., Yu, X., Xu, L., Back, G., Butt, A. R., Cameron, K. W., Hong, Y., & Yao, D. (2018). Nonparametric Distribution Models for Predicting and Managing Computational Performance Variability. In *The Annual IEEE Southeast Conf.* (pp. 1–7). IEEE SoutheastCon'18.

- 2 Lux, T. C. H., Watson, L. T., Chang, T. H., Bernard, J., Li, B., **Yu, X.**, Xu, L., Back, G., Butt, A. R., Cameron, K. W., Yao, D., & Hong, Y. (2018). Novel Meshes for Multivariate Interpolation and Approximation. In *The Annual ACM Southeast Conf.* (13:1–13:7). ACMSE'18.
- 3 Nourian, M., Wang, X., **Yu, X.**, Feng, W.-c., & Becchi, M. (2017). Demystifying Automata Processing: GPUs, FPGAs or Micron's AP? In *the ACM Int'l Conf. on Supercomputing* (1:1–1:11). ICS'17. (AR = 15.8%).
- 4 **Yu, X.**, Hou, K., Wang, H., & Feng, W.-c. (2017). A framework for fast and fair evaluation of automata processing hardware. In *IEEE Int'l Symp. on Workload Characterization*. IISWC'17.
- 5 **Yu, X.**, Hou, K., Wang, H., & Feng, W.-c. (2017). Robotomata: A Framework for Approximate Pattern Matching of Big Data on an Automata Processor. In *IEEE Int'l Conf. on Big Data* (pp. 283–292). IEEE BigData'17. (AR = 17.9%).
- 6 **Yu, X.**, Wang, H., Feng, W.-c., Gong, H., & Cao, G. (2017). An Enhanced Image Reconstruction Tool for Computed Tomography on GPUs. In *the ACM Int'l Conf. on Computing Frontiers* (pp. 97–106). CF'17. (AR = 35.5%).
- 7 **Yu, X.**, Feng, W.-c., Yao, D., & Becchi, M. (2016). O<sup>3</sup>FA: A Scalable Finite Automata-based Pattern-Matching Engine for Out-of-Order Deep Packet Inspection. In *the 2016 ACM/IEEE Symp. on Arch. for Networking and Commu. Systems* (pp. 1–11). ANCS'16. (AR = 20.7%).
- 8 **Yu, X.**, Wang, H., Feng, W.-c., Gong, H., & Cao, G. (2016). cuART: Fine-Grained Algebraic Reconstruction Technique for Computed Tomography Images on GPUs. In *16th IEEE/ACM Int'l Symp. on Cluster, Cloud and Grid Computing*. CCGrid'16. (AR = 25%).
- 9 **Yu, X.** & Becchi, M. (2013). Exploring Different Automata Representations for Efficient Regular Expression Matching on GPUs. In *ACM SIGPLAN Not.*
- 10 **Yu, X.** & Becchi, M. (2013). GPU Acceleration of Regular Expression Matching for Large Datasets: Exploring the Implementation Space. In *the ACM Int'l Conf. on Computing Frontiers* (18:1–18:10). CF'13.

## Professional Activities

Presentations	■ ACM PPOPP'13, ACM/IEEE ANCS'16, IEEE/ACM CCGrid'16, IEEE BigData'17, ACM/IEEE SC'18 Doctoral Showcase
Journal Reviews	■ IEEE TDSC (2018), IEEE Access (2017, 2018), JSS (elsevier) (2015, 2017), IEEE JSAC (2014)
Conference Reviews	■ IEEE HPCC 2017, IEEE ATC'18, IEEE GLOBECOM'18, IEEE ICCCN'18, PACT, S&P, NDSS, ACSAC, AsiaCCS etc.

## Honors&Awards

2018	■ selected to present @ACM/IEEE SC'18 Doctoral Showcase
	■ selected as the student volunteer @ACM/IEEE SC'18
2016	■ <b>Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award</b> CS@VT
	■ <b>SIGCOMM-Travel Grant</b> for ANCS 2016
2013	■ <b>NSF-Travel Grant</b> for PPOPP 2013
2011	■ <b>NSF Student Travel Award</b> for ANCS 2011
2006 – 2007	■ <b>Learning Progress Scholarship</b> @CUMT China

## Skills

Coding	■ C/C++ , CUDA, ROCm, openCL, Hardware-specific Language, VHDL/Verilog, assembly language, SHELL, OpenMP, Pthread, JAVA
Dev. Envir.&Tools	■ Linux/Win OS, AP SDK, MATLAB, Xilinx SDK, GEM5, Mathematica