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EDUCATION

Washington University in St. Louis

Aug 2021 - Present (May 2025 expected)

Ph.D. candidate in Computer Science

- **Advisor:** Prof. Raj Jain
- **Research Area:** Quantum Computing, Quantum Networks, Security, Machine Learning, and Blockchains.
- **Teaching Assistant:** CSE574S: Recent Advances in Wireless and Mobile Networking (Fall 2024, Fall 2022 and Fall 2020); CSE473S: Introduction to Computer Networks (Spring 2022); CSE570S: Recent Advances in Networking (Fall 2023 and Fall 2021)
- **Mentoring:** Chenliang Tian - Master's Project (Spring/Summer/Fall 2024)

Washington University in St. Louis

Aug 2019 - 2021

Visiting Research Associate (Hosted by Prof. Raj Jain)

Waseda University

Aug 2017 - 2019

Master's in Computer Engineering

- Advisor: Prof. Tatsuo Nakajima. Research Area: Distributed Systems, IoT, Ubiquitous Computing.
- Thesis: Sloth: A Reconfigurable Compiler for Task-based Intermittent Programming

Guangdong University of Foreign Studies

Aug 2008 - 2012

Bachelor's in Computer Engineering

- Thesis: Image Smoothing Based on Partial Differential Equation

EXPERIENCE

DJI, Inc.

Jul 2015 - 2017

Senior Software Engineer

Shenzhen, China

- Role: Head of the hybrid-app team in the Department of Research and Development (R&D).
- Responsibility: Led the architecture design and development of the hybrid software applications, including DJI Assistant 2, DJI Ground Station, Drone Simulator Game, and the internal hybrid-app framework.

Misfit Wearables

Jul 2014 - 2015

Senior Web Engineer

Shenzhen, China

- Role: Web Product Owner and Developer.
- Responsibility: Managed and developed web applications to enhance cloud services and online accessibility for the company's wearables, including platforms such as my.misfit.com, store.misfit.com, and misfit.com.

Baidu, Inc.

Jul 2011 - 2014

Senior Software Engineer

Shenzhen, China

- Role: Full Stack Developer - Front-end and Back-end Software/Web Development.
- Responsibility: Developed software and website solutions for global users, including anti-malware software and input methods. Developed the automated internal framework for localization and multilingual support.

Tencent, Inc.

Jul 2010 - Oct 2010

Web Engineering Intern

Shenzhen, China

- Responsibility: Developed the website interface for Tencent Pay (now known as Wechat Pay).

PUBLICATIONS

Z. Yang, A. Ghubaish, R. Jain, A. Al-Fuqaha, A. Erbad, R. Kompella, H. Shapourian, and R. Nejabati, “Layer-wise security framework and analysis for the quantum internet,” *IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communication*, *accepted*, 2025

Z. Yang, A. Ghubaish, R. Jain, R. Kompella, and H. Shapourian, “Multi-tree quantum routing in realistic topologies,” *IEEE Communications Magazine*, 2024

Z. Yang, A. Ghubaish, R. Jain, H. Shapourian, and A. Shabani, “Asynchronous entanglement routing for the quantum internet,” *AVS Quantum Science*, vol. 6, no. 1, 2024

A. Ghubaish, **Z. Yang**, and R. Jain, “Hdrl-ids: A hybrid deep reinforcement learning intrusion detection system for enhancing the security of medical applications in 5g networks,” in *2024 International Conference on Smart Applications, Communications and Networking (Best Paper Award)*, pp. 1–6, 2024

A. Ghubaish, **Z. Yang**, A. Erbad, and R. Jain, “Lemda: A novel feature engineering method for intrusion detection in iot systems,” *IEEE Internet of Things Journal*, pp. 1–1, 2023

Z. Yang, H. Alfauri, B. Farkiani, R. Jain, R. D. Pietro, and A. Erbad, “A survey and comparison of post-quantum and quantum blockchains,” *IEEE Communications Surveys & Tutorials*, pp. 1–1, 2023

Z. Yang, M. Zolanvari, and R. Jain, “A survey of important issues in quantum computing and communications,” *IEEE Communications Surveys & Tutorials*, vol. 25, no. 2, pp. 1059–1094, 2023

T. Renduchintala, H. Alfauri, **Z. Yang**, R. D. Pietro, and R. Jain, “A survey of blockchain applications in the fintech sector,” *Journal of Open Innovation: Technology, Market, and Complexity*, vol. 8, no. 4, p. 185, 2022

Z. Yang, T. Salman, R. Jain, and R. Di Pietro, “Decentralization using quantum blockchain: A theoretical analysis,” *IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering*, vol. 3, pp. 1–16, 2022

M. Zolanvari, **Z. Yang**, K. Khan, R. Jain, and N. Meskin, “Trust xai: Model-agnostic explanations for ai with a case study on iiot security,” *IEEE internet of things journal*, 2021

Z. Yang, A. Ghubaish, D. Unal, and R. Jain, “Factors affecting the performance of sub-1 ghz iot wireless networks,” *Wireless Communications and Mobile Computing*, vol. 2021, pp. 1–13, 2021

Z. Yang, M. Zhang, T. Zhang, L. Fu, and T. Nakajima, “Real world third-person with multiple point-of-views for immersive mixed reality,” in *Society with Future: Smart and Liveable Cities: First EAI International Conference, SC4Life 2019, Braga, Portugal, December 4-6, 2019, Proceedings 1*, pp. 97–108, Springer International Publishing, 2020

Z. Yang, “Sloth: a reconfigurable compiler for task-based intermittent programming,” *Waseda University*, 2019

Z. Yang and T. Nakajima, “Connecting smart objects in iot architectures by screen remote monitoring and control,” *Computers*, vol. 7, no. 4, p. 47, 2018

▷ Submitted / Under Preparation:

C. Tian, **Z. Yang**, R. Jain, R. Kompella, and H. Shapourian, “Asynchronous routing for multipartite entanglement in quantum networks,” *Submitted to IEEE Network*, 2024

Z. Yang, C. Tian, R. Jain, R. Kompella, R. Nejabati, M. Hamdi, A. Erbad, and H. Shapourian, “Resource management for distributed quantum computing in quantum data centers,” *Submitted to ACM SIGCOMM*, 2025

C. Tian, **Z. Yang**, R. Jain, and et al., “Asynchronous entanglement routing for simultaneous users in quantum networks,” *Under Review*, 2025

Z. Yang, C. Tian, R. Jain, and et al., “Sdda: Strategic defense against ddos attacks in quantum networks,” *Under Preparation*, 2025

AWARDS AND HONORS

2024	NSF Networking Technology and Systems Early-Career Investigators (NeTS-ECI) Workshop, Travel Grants, https://sites.google.com/view/nets-early-career-2025/participants
2023-2024	Honors Award (top 5%) in Periodic Review of Doctoral Students - Washington University
2024	Best Paper Award - IEEE SmartNets
2023	Papers featured on social media of IEEE Communications Surveys & Tutorials (×2)
2023	Google Quantum AI - Qubit by Qubit Scholarship
2022-2023	Honors Award (top 5%) in Periodic Review of Doctoral Students - Washington University
2019	CSCE Department Award - Waseda University
2009-2010	2 nd Prize of the National Universities Open Source and Innovation Contest 2 nd Prize of the National Challenge Cup Competition
2008-2012	Scholarship from the School of Informatics

RESEARCH GRANT WRITING

2024	“Quantum-Native Resource Management and Congestion Control for Quantum Data Centers,” awarded by the Cisco University Research Grant #92627757.
2024	“Optimal Resource Allocation in the Next-Generation Quantum-Classical Computer Networks,” awarded by the Qatar Research, Development, and Innovation (QRDI) Academic Research Grant.
2023	“Building the Foundation for a Scalable and Secure Quantum Internet,” awarded by the Qatar Research, Development, and Innovation (QRDI) Academic Research Grant #ARG01-0501-230053, PIs: Prof. Mounir Hamdi (HBKU), Prof. Aiman Erbad (QU) and Prof. Raj Jain (WUSTL).
2023	“Asynchronous Quantum-Native Routing for Quantum Networks,” awarded by the Cisco University Research Gift #86944165.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Journal/Conference Reviewer:

- IEEE Communications Surveys & Tutorials
- IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications
- IEEE Communications Magazine
- IEEE Network
- IEEE Internet of Things Journal
- IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking
- IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics & Security
- IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing
- IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology
- Elsevier: Separation and Purification Technology
- Elsevier: Information Processing & Management
- Elsevier: Informatics in Medicine Unlocked
- Elsevier: Sustainable Futures
- Annalen der Physik
- Springer Nature: Scientific Reports
- Springer: Quantum Machine Intelligence
- Springer: The Journal of Supercomputing
- IET Quantum Communication
- Academia Quantum
- ACM Journal on Autonomous Transportation Systems
- ACM 2021 CHI Conference

Program Committee:

- IEEE Quantum Week 2025 (QCE25)

TALKS

- 2024 Zebo Yang, “Quantum Variational Circuit for Machine Learning,” AI for Health Seminar.
- 2023 Zebo Yang, “Building Blocks of Quantum Networks,” Special Topics in Quantum Computing, 544T.
- 2022 Zebo Yang, “Asynchronous Routing for the Quantum Internet,” DSS Talk, Washington University.
- 2019 Zebo Yang, “Multiple Point-of-views for Immersive Mixed Reality,” EAI SC4Life, Braga, Portugal.
- 2019 Zebo Yang, “Task-based Intermittent Programming,” Ubiquitous and Distributed Computing Lab Seminar, Waseda University.

PATENTS

Z. Guo, Z. Xie, H. Li, W. Li, D. Wang, and Z. Yang, “Flight control method and apparatus, and control device,” Jan. 30 2024. U.S. Patent 11,886,203

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

A full-stack researcher with both industry and research experience in networks, security, and quantum systems.

Quantum Programming and Simulation

Qiskit, Cirq, Amazon Braket, NetSquid, etc.

Computer Languages

Python, Node.js, C/C++, Go, Fortran, etc.

Databases

NoSQL (Dynamodb, Mongoddb), MySQL, etc.

Tools and Libraries

PyTorch, TensorFlow, Matlab, CPLEX, Wolfram, Vim, etc.