

# Yangzihao Wang

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## Education

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### University of California, Davis

*Ph.D., Computer Science, GPA: 3.84/4.0* 2011–2016

Advisor: Prof. John D. Owens

### Beihang University

*M.E., Software Engineering* 2008–2011

### Beihang University

*B.E., Computer Science* 2003–2007

## Honors and Awards

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**2016:** Distinguished Paper, ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming

**2015:** Graduate Group in Computer Science Fellowship

**2014:** NVIDIA Graduate Fellowship Finalist

**2007:** Outstanding Graduates of Colleges and Universities in Beijing *top 10%*

## Experience Highlights

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### Google Brain

*Software Engineer* Jan-2017–Present

Working on TensorFlow infrastructure and GPU performance.

### Institute of Data Analysis and Visualization, UC Davis

*Graduate Student Researcher* Aug-2011–Dec-2016

Research Topics: structure of parallelism in irregular algorithms on the GPU; programming model for graph analytics on the GPU.

- Gunrock: a stable, powerful, and forward-looking substrate for GPU-based graph-centric research and development (open-sourced at: <http://gunrock.github.io>);
  - Led a research team of 8 graduate students;
  - Proposed the data-centric programming model for GPU graph analytics;
  - Designed the system framework and API set;
  - Implemented several critical optimizations for the system core;
  - Achieved the best performance of any programmable GPU+graph library.
- CUDA Multi-GPU sorting system based on samplesort;
  - Designed the multi-GPU cluster sorting system with MPI and CUDA;
  - Achieved comparable performance with sorting systems on CPU cluster or supercomputer.

### Google

*Software Engineer Intern* Fall 2015

Worked in search infrastructure team, built a content-free URL quality score estimation service for index selection.

### DARPA

*Summer Research Intern* Summer 2013–2016

Worked on expanding features and increasing the performance of Gunrock. Worked closely with multiple research groups and companies on using Gunrock for large-scale graph data analysis on real-world datasets.

## AMD Research

Co-op Engineer

Summer 2012

Ported cudaraster (a state-of-the-art software rasterizer) to OpenCL.

## State Key Lab of Virtual Reality Technology and Systems, Beihang University

Research Assistant

Aug-2009–Mar-2011

Designed and implemented a sort-first cluster rendering system. Worked on several graphics research topics such as water wave simulation, collision detection, and rendering load balancing.

## External Talks

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### Mini-Gunrock: A Lightweight Graph Analytics Framework on the GPU

GABB'17

May, 2017

### Gunrock: A Fast and Programmable Multi-GPU Graph Processing Library

GTC'16

Mar, 2016

### Gunrock: A High Performance Graph Processing Library on the GPU

Oracle Labs

Apr, 2015

### High-Performance Graph Processing Programming Model on the GPU

NVIDIA Research

Jan, 2015

### High-Performance Graph Primitives on GPUs: Design and Implementation of Gunrock

GTC'14

Mar, 2014

## Professional Skills

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**Proficient::** C/C++, CUDA, TensorFlow, Python, MPI, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, git, Linux development

**Familiar::** OpenGL, Spark

## Professional Service

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**Reviewer::** TC, TPDS, JDPC, PeerJ, PLDI'18

**Program Committee Member::** The 1st GPUPhysics Workshop at ICCSA 2016

Graph Algorithms Building Blocks Workshop at IPDPS 2018

## Publications

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Yangzihao Wang, Yuechao Pan, Andrew Davidson, Yuduo Wu, Carl Yang, Leyuan Wang, Muhammad Osama, Chenshan Yuan, Weitang Liu, Andy T. Riffel, and John D. Owens. Gunrock: GPU graph analytics. *ACM Transactions on Parallel Computing*, 2017.

Yuechao Pan, Yangzihao Wang, Yuduo Wu, Carl Yang, and John D. Owens. Multi-GPU graph analytics. In *Proceedings of the 31st IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium*, IPDPS 2017, May/June 2017.

Yangzihao Wang, Sean Baxter, and John D. Owens. Mini-gunrock: A lightweight graph analytics framework on the GPU. In *Graph Algorithms Building Blocks*, GABB 2017, May 2017.

Leyuan Wang, Yangzihao Wang, Carl Yang, and John D. Owens. A comparative study on exact triangle counting algorithms on the GPU. In *Proceedings of the 1st High Performance Graph Processing Workshop*, HPGP '16, May 2016.

Yangzihao Wang, Andrew Davidson, Yuechao Pan, Yuduo Wu, Andy Riffel, and John D. Owens. Gunrock: A high-performance graph processing library on the GPU. In *Proceedings of the 21st ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming*, PPOPP 2016, March 2016. Distinguished Paper.

Yuduo Wu, Yangzihao Wang, Yuechao Pan, Carl Yang, and John D. Owens. Performance characterization for high-level programming models for GPU graph analytics (best paper finalist). In *IEEE International Symposium on Workload Characterization, IISWC 2015*, October 2015. Best Paper finalist.

Carl Yang, Yangzihao Wang, and John D. Owens. Fast sparse matrix and sparse vector multiplication algorithm on the GPU. In *Graph Algorithms Building Blocks, GABB 2015*, May 2015.

Afton Geil, Yangzihao Wang, and John D. Owens. WTF, GPU! Computing Twitter's who-to-follow on the GPU. In *Proceedings of the Second ACM Conference on Online Social Networks, COSN '14*, October 2014.