Tianyi Gao

Informatics Forum, 10 Crichton Street tianyi.gao@ed.ac.uk **CONTACT INFORMATION** Edinburgh, UK, EH8 9AB tianyigao.net **Computer Networks and Operating Systems INTERESTS EDUCATION** University of Edinburgh Edinburgh, UK Ph.D. in Informatics Dec. 2022 - April 2027 (Expected) • Supervisor: Michio Honda University of Edinburgh Edinburgh, UK M.S. in Computer Science, Distinction Sept. 2021 - Nov. 2022 • Rank: Top 1 in the whole MSc in CS (Class Prize awarded) • Thesis: Securing the Homa Transport Protocol (Outstanding Thesis) • Key Courses: Computer Architecture and Design, Parallel Architecture, Security Engineering, Extreme Computing, Advanced Database Systems, Machine Learning Practical **University of Nottingham** Ningbo, China & Nottingham, UK B.S. in Computer Science w. Artificial Intelligence, 1st Class Sept. 2017 – August 2021 COMPUTER SKILLS **Programming Languages** (Proficient) C; (Competent) Python, Java; (Beginner) C++, Rust, GoLang, Solidity, Scala, SQL, Ver-**Tools & Software** Linux System Administration, Bash, GNU Make, Git, LATEX, Docker, PyTorch HONORS, AWARDS, Computer Science MSc Class Prize (Highest Overall Mark), University of Edinburgh 2022 **SCHOLARSHIPS** Informatics Graduate School PhD Scholarship (GBP £145,838), University of Edinburgh 2022 Nottingham Advantage Award, University of Nottingham 2021 4th at the UoN Programming Contest, University of Nottingham 2019 Vice-Chancellor's Medal (Xiaoshan UNNCer Team), University of Nottingham 2019 2019 Dean's List (CNY ¥6,000), University of Nottingham Head's List (CNY ¥3,000), University of Nottingham 2018 2018 Outstanding Volunteer, University of Nottingham Tianyi Gao, Xinshu Ma, Suhas Narreddy, Eugenio Luo, Steven W. D. Chien, and Michio Honda, **PUBLICATIONS** "Designing Transport-Level Encryption for Datacenter Networks", To appear in IEEE Security & Privacy (S&P) 2026. Shuo Li*, Steven W. D. Chien*, Tianyi Gao, and Michio Honda, "Remote TCP Connection Offload with XO", In Proceedings of the 9th Asia-Pacific Workshop on Networking (APNet), Aug 2025. **TALKS HomaLS: Tunneling Messages through Secure Segments** [Web] [Video] [Slides] Netdev 0x16, The Technical Conference on Linux Networking Lisbon, Portugal

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- Improved the Groth16 algorithm efficiency using three techniques: 1. NUMA affinity optimization and removal of unnecessary security features; 2. Code optimization and sparse array compression; 3. Integration of the state-of-the-art GPU computation algorithm on the mathematical operator (multi-exp) Proof generation decreased from 52 minutes to 22 minutes, and physical memory footprint decreased from 190 MiB to 80 MiB on E5-2678v3x2 machines;
- In the project of developing a platform for place and route (P&R) processing with Electronic Design Automation (EDA) tools, I developed an agent software in GoLang, which receives jobs, and launches EDA tools and uploads the results to file servers. That agent is currently being used in production;

(Supervised by Professor Guangyu Sun)

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