

# Jiguang Li

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## Education

- **Yale University** **New Haven, CT** *Aug 2019 - May 2020*
    - Master of Arts in Statistics
    - Courses: <sup>1</sup>: Linear Models (H), Optimization (H), Spectral Graph Theory (HP), Measure Theory (H), Data Analysis(H), Theory of Statistics (H), Advanced Probability(H), Predictive Modeling (H)
  - **Middlebury College** **Middlebury, VT** *Sep 2015 - May 2019*
    - Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics, Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science
    - Summa cum laude (GPA: 3.83/4.00) ; Highest Honor in Mathematics
    - Honors Thesis: The Chevalley-Waring Theorem: Its Proofs, Generalisations, and Applications
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## Core Technical Skills

**Languages:** Chinese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), Italian (intermediate)

**Tutoring:** Teaching assistant for Macroeconomics Theory, Linear Algebra, and Calculus at Middlebury College

**Certificates:** Neural Networks and Deep Learning by deeplearning.ai on Coursera *June, 2018*

**Programming Languages:** Python, R, Matlab, Java, C, Javascript, Basic HTML, Basic SQL,  $\LaTeX$ , Maple

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## Research Experiences

- **Research on Statistical Modeling and Education Policy** **The University of Chicago**  
*Full-time Research Data Scientist* *Aug 2020 - Jul 2021*
  - Implemented probabilistic models to generate students' item-by-item data.
  - Built customized multidimensional Item Response Theory (MIRT) models.
  - Cleaned, visualized, and analyzed students' item-by-item response data using R and Python.
  - Applied AutoML to find the optimal network architecture.
- **Research on Online Volunteers Market Matching** **Yale University**  
*Research Assistant* *May 2020 - Aug 2020*
  - Built pipeline to scrape, store, and analyze 100,000+ anonymized volunteers' devices activities using Google Analytics API.
  - Optimized sorting algorithms to maximize the probability of matching volunteers to nonprofits.
- **Astrostatistics Research on Spectrum Normalization Algorithms** **Yale University**  
*Research Assistant* *Summer 2019*
  - Implemented two state of art astrostatistics algorithms for continuum normalization in Python.
  - Developed Python code for lab source smoothing using the Alpha-shape Fitting to Spectrum (AFS) algorithm.
- **Astrostatistics Research on Quasar Variability** **California Institute of Technology**  
*Research Assistant* *Summer 2017*
  - Implemented Python codes to analyze and compute different types of variability indices for radio-quiet and radio-loud quasars.
  - Conducted statistical hypothesis testing: two-sample K-S and Anderson-Darling tests.
  - Recipient of 2017 Caltech Visiting Undergraduate Research Award (VURP).
- **Convex Optimization on Fastest Mixing Markov Chain** **Class Project at Yale**
  - Gave an original proof to deduce the optimal transition probability matrix  $P^*$  for star graphs analytically (See Conjecture 5.2 ). The proof was inspired by the proof of a similar result for line graphs.

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<sup>1</sup>Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Grade Scale: H: Honors; HP: High Pass; P: Pass; F: Fail;