# Changling (Xavier) Li

# Curriculum Vitae

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#### **EDUCATION**

Colby College Waterville, ME, USA

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science & Physics with concentration in Astrophysics

2018-2022

GPA: 3.96 / 4.00

Relevant Coursework: Neural Networks, Interactive System, Data Structure and Algorithms, Data
Analysis and Visualization, Analysis of Algorithms, Data Science in Astrophysics Computer Game
Design, Programming Languages, Computer Organization, Real-World Database Design, Honor Thesis
on Multi-agent Reinforcement Learning for Task Execution

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine learning, Reinforcement learning, Computer Vision

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

PI: Professor Ying Li

### Department of Computer Science, Colby College, Waterville, ME

January 2021 - Present

- Modify deep Q-learning Network model (DQN) to multi-agent DQN.
- Assess modified Network Model with OpenAI Gym.
- Formulate case-specific reward function and create scalable environment for drones' trajectory planning.
- Train the model with 9 agents and present visualized trajectories and analysis at Colby College Undergraduate Research Retreat.

#### PI: Professor Hannen(Hannah) Wolfe

#### Department of Computer Science, Colby College, Waterville, ME

January 2020 – May 2021

- Create core workflow for data processing and animation using Panda, Numpy, Matplotlib.
- Create poly-simplification algorithm to trim data.
- Modify LSTM neural network and monitor the training process with TensorBoard.
- Investigate the correlation between eye focusing and drawing and generate random sketches with the trained model.

#### PI: Professor Nora Youngs

#### Department of Mathematics, Colby College, Waterville, ME

Spring 2019

- Analyze and document 10+ relevant research paper.
- Develop theorems with proofs on generating Euler Diagram with given abstract description.

#### **ON-GOING RESEARCH PROJECT**

• Multi-agent reinforcement learning for energy efficient trajectory planning of drone networks with random task locations.

- Building a public digital platform providing access to digital Chinese magazine database and an interface to analyze the digital humanities data
- Identification of independent moving object in curvilinear self-motion

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### CS353 Interactive System, Colby College

Fall 2021

**Teaching Assistant** 

- Grade students' reading response and projects
- Hold weekly TA session to answer course related questions and debug Arduino programs

# CS251 Data Analysis and Visualization, Colby College

Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

**Teaching Assistant** 

• Hold weekly TA session to answer course related questions and debug Python programs

#### CS231 Data Structure and Algorithm, Colby College

Spring 2019 – Spring 2021

**Teaching Assistant** 

• Hold weekly TA session to answer course related questions and debug Java programs

# **CS152 Introduction to Fundamentals of Computer Science**, Colby College Teaching Assistant

Fall 2019 – Spring 2021

• Grade students' projects weekly on OOD, recursion, etc.

• Hold weekly TA session to answer course related questions and debug Python programs

# PH241& PH242 Modern Physics I & II, Colby College

Fall 2019 – Spring 2021

**Teaching Assistant** 

- Introduction to modern physics: Special relativity, Quantum mechanics, Atomic physics, etc.,
- Grade students' homework weekly

#### **SKILLS**

- **Python**: Extensive expertise in the language and its usage for data analysis, visualization and machine learning.
- Java: Proficient in OOD, data structure and algorithms
- C, C++: Built Arduino applications, familiar with data structure and algorithms
- **JavaScript**: intermediate level experience with website development including both frontend and backend

#### HONORS AND PRIZES

- UWC Davis Scholar
- Dean's List F'18, S'19, F'19 (2020 and 2020 cancelled due to COVID-19)

# PRESENTATION & POSTERS

• Reinforcement Learning for Energy-Efficient Trajectory Planning of Drone Networks, Changling Li, Jiyao Chen, Ying Li, Colby College Undergraduate Research Retreat.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

• Under Construction...

# **REFERENCES**

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