

## Appendix B

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#### Education

- **William Marsh Rice University** Houston, TX, USA  
*Ph.D. in Computer Science, Advisor: Dr. Lydia E. Kavraki* Aug. 2017 – May 2023  
– Thesis: Retrieval-Based Learning for Efficient High-DoF Motion Planning
- **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki** Thessaloniki, Greece  
*Diploma in Electrical and Computer Engineering* Sep. 2011 – Apr. 2017  
– Graduated with “Excellent,” **8.86/10** cumulative average (Top 2%)  
– Thesis: Structural Analysis of Handwritten Equations Using Probabilistic Context-Free Grammars

#### Work Experience

- **Worcester Polytechnic Institute** WPI, Worcester  
*Assistant Professor, Robotics Engineering* July. 2023 – Present  
– Research Areas: Learning and Planning, Planning under Uncertainty, Task and Motion Planning
- **Kavraki Lab, <http://kavrakilab.org/>** Rice University, Houston  
*Graduate Student* Aug. 2017 – May 2023  
– Authored research papers in Robotic Learning
- **NVIDIA Seattle Robotics Lab, [https://nvidia\\_srl.gitlab.io/](https://nvidia_srl.gitlab.io/)** NVIDIA, Remote  
*Research Intern* Sept. 2022 – Dec. 2022  
– Worked on robust Task and Motion Planning

#### Open Source Software

- **MotionBenchMaker** [https://github.com/KavrakiLab/motion\\_bench\\_maker](https://github.com/KavrakiLab/motion_bench_maker)  
*Core Developer/Maintainer* January 2022 – present
- **Robowflex Library** <https://github.com/KavrakiLab/robowflex>  
*Core Contributor* March 2019 – present
- **The Open Motion Planning Library (OMPL)** <http://ompl.kavrakilab.org/>  
*Contributor* Jul. 2019 – present

#### Awards, Nominations and Fellowships

- **ICRA 2021 Best Paper Top-4 Finalist in Cognitive Robotics** Rice University, Houston  
*Nomination of relevant papers in a competitive basis* Jun. 2021
- **NSF Graduate Research Fellowship** Rice University, Houston  
*Awarded to outstanding graduate students in the US in STEM* May. 2019

#### Relevant Publications

- [1] C. Chamzas, A. Shrivastava, L. E. Kavraki “Using Local Experiences for Global Motion Planning”, *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, 2019.
- [2] M. Moll, C. Chamzas, Z. Kingston, L. E. Kavraki “HyperPlan: A Framework for Motion Planning Algorithm Selection and Parameter Optimization”, *In IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, 2021.
- [3] E. Pairet, C. Chamzas, Y. Petillot, L. E. Kavraki “Path Planning for Manipulation using Experience-driven Random Trees”, *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RAL)*, 2021.
- [4] C. Chamzas, C. Quintero-Peña, Z. Kingston, A. Orthey, D. Rakita, M. Gleicher, M. Toussaint, L. E. Kavraki “MotionBenchMaker: A tool to Generate and Benchmark Motion Planning Datasets”, *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RAL)*, 2022.