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## ABOUT ME

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PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: Anhui, China | 31 July 1999  
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## EDUCATION

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**PRESENT** Ph.D. student in COMPUTER SCIENCE  
**King Abdullah University of Science and Technology**, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia  
Supervisor: [Prof. Peter Richtárik](#)

**DECEMBER 2022** Master of Engineering in COMPUTER SCIENCE  
**King Abdullah University of Science and Technology**, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia  
Major: Computer Science  
Department: Computer, Electrical and Mathematical Sciences and Engineering  
GPA: 3.86/4.00

**JULY 2021** Bachelor of Engineering in COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
**University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)**, Hefei, Anhui, China  
Major: Computer Science and Technology  
Department: School of Gifted Young  
GPA: 3.64/4.30

**AUGUST 2018** Summer School Student  
**University of Texas at Austin**, Austin, Texas  
Major: Computer Science (Software Engineering)

## PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS

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**PREPRINT** “The Ball-Proximal (=”Broximal”) Point Method: a New Algorithm, Convergence Theory, and Applications”  
Kaja Grunkowska, **Hanmin Li**, Aadi Rane, Peter Richtárik  
[arXiv preprint arXiv:2502.02002](#)

**WORKSHOP** “On the Convergence of FedProx with Extrapolation and Inexact Prox”  
**Hanmin Li** and Peter Richtárik.  
[arXiv preprint arXiv:2410.01410](#) OCT, 2024; [OPT2024-NeurIPS Poster](#)

**CONFERENCE** “The Power of Extrapolation in Federated Learning”  
**Hanmin Li**, Kirill Acharya, and Peter Richtárik.  
[Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, 2024](#)

**WORKSHOP** “Variance Reduced Distributed Non-Convex Optimization Using Matrix Stepsizes”  
**Hanmin Li**, Avetik Karagulyan, and Peter Richtárik.  
[arXiv preprint arXiv:2310.04614](#) OCT, 2023; [FL@FM-NeurIPS’23 Poster](#)

**CONFERENCE** “Det-CGD: Compressed Gradient Descent with Matrix Stepsizes for Non-Convex Optimization”  
**Hanmin Li**, Avetik Karagulyan, and Peter Richtárik.  
[International Conference on Learning Representations 2024.](#)

JOURNAL "SD<sup>2</sup>: spatially resolved transcriptomics deconvolution through integration of dropout and spatial information" Haoyang Li, **Hanmin Li**, Juexiao Zhou, Xin Gao. [Bioinformatics](#), 38(21), pp.4878-4884. SEPTEMBER, 2022.

## INVITED TALKS

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- 7 May 2024 [International Conference on Learning Representations](#),  
Vienna, Austria ICLR Poster  
"Det-CGD: Compressed Gradient Descent with Matrix Stepsizes for Non-Convex Optimization".
- 26 June 2024 [EURO working group on Continuous Optimization](#)  
Lund, Sweden Invited Talk  
"Compressed Gradient Descent with Matrix Stepsizes for Non-Convex Optimization".
- 12 Dec. 2024 [Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems](#),  
Vancouver, Canada NeurIPS Poster  
"The Power of Extrapolation in Federated Learning".
- 15 Dec. 2024 [Annual Workshop on Optimization for Machine Learning](#),  
Vancouver, Canada NeurIPS Workshop Poster  
"On the Convergence of FedProx with Extrapolation and Inexact Prox".

## REVIEW SERVICES

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Reviewer: NeurIPS 24', NeurIPS OPT 24', ICLR 25', ICML 25', JMLR, IEEE TNNLS, IEEE TSP, Optimization Methods and Software.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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| JAN 2021 - JUNE 2021   | Research Intern at QULAB/USTC<br>Supervised by <a href="#">Prof. Kun Qu</a> |
| SEPT 2019 - MARCH 2019 | Research Intern at USTC<br>Supervised by <a href="#">Prof. Yongkun Li</a>   |

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND CERTIFICATES

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- SEPT. 2024 Marked as "outstanding" in the Ph.D. student yearly evaluation by my advisor Prof. Peter Richtárik. KAUST
- SEPT. 2023 Marked as "outstanding" in the Ph.D. student yearly evaluation by my advisor Prof. Peter Richtárik. KAUST
- SEPT. 2019 Scholarship for outstanding students (top % 20 students)  
School of Gifted Young, USTC
- SEPT. 2018 Scholarship for outstanding students (top % 20 students)  
School of Gifted Young, USTC
- SEPT. 2017 Scholarship for Shitsan Pai class of talented students, (top % 10 students)  
**University of Science and Technology of China**
- SEPTEMBER 2019 TOEFL®: 110 (READING:30; LISTENING:30; SPEAKING:23; WRITING:27)
- FEBRUARY 2018 GRE®: 333 (VERBAL:163; QUANTITATIVE:170; AW:3,5)

## LANGUAGES

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CHINESE:   Mothertongue

ENGLISH:   Fluent

FRENCH:    Intermediate

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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Proficient   C++, Python, PyTorch, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, R, Linux.