

# ZHIHENG (JAMES) JIANG

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### AGENCY FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH Singapore

*Institute of High Performance Computing (IHPC)*

#### Research Assistant 2020-2021

- Conducted social network analysis research under the mentorship of Dr Hoai Nguyen Huynh
- Developed research methodology to analyze metal music genre community structure
- Introduced Natural Language Processing and Text Mining techniques to retrieve information from reviews
- First Author publication in Springer Social Network Analysis and Mining journal
- Presented at the Singapore Science and Engineering Fair (Gold Award)

### NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY Singapore

*School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences*

#### Research Assistant 2018-2019

- Conducted Natural Language Processing research under Assoc Prof Cheong Siew Ann
- Developed research methodology to summarize narratives (eg. Sherlock Holmes) into an agency network
- Presented paper at Singapore Youth Science Conference (Distinction) and International Science Youth Forum
- Presented poster at the Singapore Science and Engineering Fair (Finalist)

## EDUCATION

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES Los Angeles, CA

*Bachelor of Science, Computer Science and Engineering* 2024-2028

## PUBLICATIONS

### Unveiling Music Genre Structure through Common-Interest Communities 2022

*Zhiheng Jiang, Hoai Nguyen Huynh*

*Springer Social Network Analysis and Mining, Volume 12, Article 35*

### Who is the Greatest? Maradona or Pelé? Biles or Khorkina? 2021

*Zhiheng Jiang, Yi Kai Tan, Wenhao Yu, Jiecong Tan*

*International Mathematical Modelling Challenge (International Top 2)*

### Flash Sale 2020

*Zhiheng Jiang, Yi Kai Tan, Wenhao Yu, Bernard Kwee*

*International Mathematical Modelling Challenge (Singapore Top 2)*

## PROJECTS

### Today I Learnt (TIL) Artificial Intelligence Competition (Advanced Category Champion) 2024

- Achieved the Champion Award in the Advanced Category, competing with university students in Singapore
- Fine-tuned 3 different deep learning models on downstream tasks in Natural Language Processing (Question Answering), Vision Language Modelling (Object Detection and CLIP) and Automatic Speech Recognition
- Developed expertise in adapting large pretrained models with HuggingFace and PyTorch
- Deployed models via Docker containers, and executed models on a robotics task using DJI Robomaster
- Worked with Google Cloud Platform, VertexAI and Google Cloud Artifact Registry

<b>Today I Learnt (TIL) Artificial Intelligence Competition (Pre-Tertiary Category Champion)</b>	<b>2021</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gained experience using PyTorch to train models for object detection and speech recognition</li> </ul>	
<b>International Mathematical Modelling Challenge (Who is the Greatest?)</b>	<b>2021</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Determined the Greatest of All Time in individual and team sports, using mathematical modelling</li> <li>Utilized algorithms such as the Floyd Warshall algorithm and centrality measures</li> <li>Conducted sensitivity analysis of model</li> <li>Won Outstanding Award (Top 2 internationally)</li> </ul>	
<b>International Mathematical Modelling Challenge (Flash Sale)</b>	<b>2020</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed objective function to estimate the “destructiveness” of a particular arrangement of goods, when there are many customers during a flash sale</li> <li>Used a Genetic Algorithm to optimize the position of goods on shelves in a store during flash sale, to minimize possible damage</li> <li>Won Honorable Mention Award (Top 2 in Singapore)</li> </ul>	
<b>3D Physics Simulation with Python and Glowscript (TowardsDataScience)</b>	<b>2020</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed and developed physics animations with Python and Glowscript to help classmates visualize movement of charged particles and better grasp concepts in Electromagnetism</li> <li>Published article in TowardsDataScience</li> </ul>	
<b>Visualizing Neighborhoods by Clustering Road Networks (TowardsDataScience)</b>	<b>2022</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parsed road network data on OpenStreetMap with Python</li> <li>Experimented with different clustering methods and compared them with governmental district lines</li> <li>Published article in TowardsDataScience</li> </ul>	
<b>Investigating the effectiveness of Genetic Algorithms in character strength-based grouping of people</b>	<b>2020</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a genetic algorithm to group classmates together based on their top 5 MBTI personality traits</li> <li>Represented each student as a vector of personality traits, and classified them based on cosine similarity</li> <li>Published report during school Science and Math Talent Programme Project Fair</li> </ul>	

## SELECTED AWARDS

Today I Learnt (TIL) Artificial Intelligence Competition, Advanced Category Champion	<b>2024</b>
Hon Chiew Weng Science Research Award	<b>2022</b>
International Mathematical Modelling Challenge, Outstanding Award (Top 2 International)	<b>2021</b>
Singapore Science and Engineering Fair, Gold Award	<b>2021</b>
Today I Learnt (TIL) Artificial Intelligence Competition, Team Champion	<b>2021</b>
Shopee Code League, Top 15	<b>2021</b>
Singapore National Olympiad in Informatics, Silver Award	<b>2020</b>
International Mathematical Modelling Challenge, Honorable Mention	<b>2020</b>
Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) Science Award	<b>2020</b>
Singapore Youth Science Conference, Distinction	<b>2018</b>

## SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Skills: Deep Learning, NLP, Computer Vision, Multimodal models, Complex Systems
- Languages and Frameworks: Python (Machine Learning), C++, MATLAB, LaTeX