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# **Personal Statement**

I am committed to advancing theoretical physics, with primary emphasis on statistical physics and dynamical systems. My research integrates statistical physics, celestial mechanics, and geometry. I investigate the statistical behavior of complex and stochastic dynamical systems—such as epidemic and ecological models—and study Poisson geometry and computational algebraic geometry within classical mechanics and its related systems, with a particular focus on the analysis of celestial systems. I am also interested in the interfaces between statistical physics, data science, and information theory.

## **Education**

### BSc Interdisciplinary Program of Sciences National Tsing Hua University

Hsinchu, Taiwan 2021-2025

The interdisciplinary program at Tsing Hua University enables students to gain comprehensive training across two scientific and related disciplines. My majors are **Physics** and **Data Science**, where I have consistently achieved top grades. (My original program was in Advanced Materials, which was abolished in 2024 and has been integrated into Physics. Due to this program's discontinuation, some of my credits have been transferred accordingly.)

# Research Experience

My main research experience lies in the interdisciplinary applications of statistical mechanics and dynamical systems, encompassing both analytic and numerical forms, in diverse theoretical physics research fields.

### Department of Mathematics, NTHU

Research Assistant, PI: Prof. Kuo-Chang Chen

#### • Existence and Uniqueness of Five-Body Central Configurations

05/2025-present

Although many sophisticated mathematical techniques have yielded significant progress in establishing the existence and finiteness of central configurations, the detailed structural properties and the precise regions of existence and uniqueness remain insufficiently explored. In this study, we examine the existence and uniqueness of central configurations within specific mass and distance ordering regions of five-body systems with some symmetries.

#### Institute of Physics, Academia Sinica

Summer Student, PI: Prof. Hong-Yan Shih

#### • Leveraging Variational Matrix Product States for Stochastic Dynamics

07/2024-08/2024

The variational matrix product state (VMPS) is a powerful algorithm for investigating quantum many-body systems. Recently, there has been increasing interest in applying this approach to study stochastic dynamics. In our project, we employ the variational matrix product state to analyze the stochastic dynamics within the SIS model in epidemiology. We aim to compare the behaviors of the variational matrix product state in both quantum many-body systems and classical dynamical systems, highlighting the insights gained from each context.

### Department of Physics, NTHU/Institute of Physics, Academia Sinica

Undergraduate Student, PI: Prof. Yi-Ping Huang, Prof. Hong-Yan Shih

## • Tensor Networks in Stochastic Dynamics

08/2024-present

Recently, there has been a growing focus on applying tensor networks to study classical stochastic dynamics. However, the underlying physical principles of this application remain unclear. Our objective is to elucidate the fundamental principles governing the use of tensor networks to analyze stochastic processes in classical dynamical systems. This research aims to shed light on the connections between quantum many-body systems and classical dynamical systems, offering insights into key concepts in equilibrium quantum statistical mechanics, such as spectral topology and gaps.

# **Independent Projects**

#### **Teaching Experience** Teaching Assistant Theoretical Mechanics (I), Department of Physics, NTHU 02/2025 - present Teaching Assistant Statistical Mechanics (I), Department of Physics, NTHU 02/2025 - 06/2025 Teaching Assistant Electrodynamics (II), Department of Physics, NTHU 02/2025 - 06/2025 Teaching Assistant Thermal and Statistical Physics (II), Department of Physics, NTHU 02/2025 - 06/2025 Teaching Assistant Statistical Mechanics (II), Department of Physics, NTHU 09/2024 - 12/2024 **Teaching Assistant** *Electrodynamics (I), Department of Physics, NTHU* 09/2024 - 12/2024 Teaching Assistant Thermal and Statistical Physics (I), Department of Physics, NTHU 09/2024 - 12/2024 Teaching Assistant Statistical Mechanics (I), Department of Physics, NTHU 02/2024 - 06/2024 **Teaching Materials** Vector Spaces and Linear Algebra for Physics Department of Physics, NTHU 2025 Vector Analysis with Differential Forms for Physics Department of Physics, NTHU 2025 Green Functions, Generalized Functions, and Applications in Physics Department of Physics, NTHU 2025 Honors

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Maxwell Scholarship Department of Physics, NTHU