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Education

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- Georgia Institute of Technology**, Atlanta, GA, US *August 2019 - May 2023 (Expected)*
— Ph.D. in Algorithms, Combinatorics and Optimization (ACO)/ Computer Science
— Advisor: Dr. Richard Peng
— G.P.A. 4.0/4.0
- National Taiwan University**, Taipei, Taiwan *September 2014 - July 2018*
— B.S. in Computer Science and Information Engineering (CSIE)
— Overall G.P.A. 4.20/4.30, Major G.P.A. 4.29/4.30, Rank: 2/103

Research Interest

Algorithms and data structures. Specifically, designing fast algorithms for large problem instances.

Publication

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- **Li Chen**, Rasmus Kyng, Yang P. Liu, Maximilian Probst Gutenberg, Sushant Sachdeva. *Weighted p -norm Flow in Almost-Linear Time*. In preparation.
 - **Li Chen**, Richard Peng, Di Wang. *ℓ_2 -norm Flow Diffusion in Near-Linear Time*. In FOCS 2021. (arxiv:2105.14629)
 - **Li Chen**, Gramoz Goranci, Monika Henzinger, Richard Peng and Thatchaphol Saranurak. *Fast Dynamic Cuts, Distances and Effective Resistances via Vertex Sparsifiers*. In FOCS 2020. (arxiv:2005.02368)

Awards and Honors

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| 2nd place , ICPC North America Championship | <i>2020</i> |
| Champion , ICPC Southeast USA Regional | <i>2019</i> |
| Fourteenth Place , ACM ICPC World Finals | <i>2018</i> |
| Champion , ACM ICPC Asia Hualien Regional | <i>2017</i> |
| Champion , National Collegiate Programming Contest of Taiwan | <i>2014-2015, 2017</i> |
| Presidential Award (awarded to students ranking top 5%) , National Taiwan University | <i>2014-2015</i> |
| Bronze Medalist , International Olympiad in Informatics | <i>2013</i> |

Scholarships

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| Government Scholarship to Study Abroad , Ministry of Education, Taiwan | <i>2020</i> |
| IDeAS and TRIAD Research Scholarship , Georgia Tech | <i>2020</i> |

Experience

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- Software Engineering Intern**, Google, Kirkland, WA *Jul 2018 - Sep 2018*
- Worked on Search Ads 360 data pipeline.
- Research Assistant**, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, *June 2017 - Jan 2019*
- Studying various 1st order methods for large-scale logistic regression. Focusing on their competitive performance on CTR (Click-Through-Rate) prediction task.
- Advisor: Prof. Chih-Jen Lin
- Software Engineering Intern**, Mixerbox, Taipei, Taiwan *Apr 2017 - Jul 2017, Sep 2017 - Feb 2018*
- Worked on content generation of the landing page and artist pages of the music app Mixerbox by machine learning tools. Since the app has an enormous number of users (over *100 million* downloads and *1 million* daily active users), we designed efficient methods to do the job.
- Research Assistant**, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, *July 2016 - July 2018*
- Worked on various fundamental problems on *planar graphs*, such as minimum *st* cut and shortest non-crossing paths.

- Independently derived an $O(n \log \log n)$ -time algorithm for shortest non-crossing paths problem. Previous best bound is an $O(n \log n)$ algorithm derived 2 decades ago. The result is achieved by combining various recent tricks in planar graph.

- Advisor: Prof. Hsueh-I Lu

Quantitative Research Intern, *WorldQuant, Taipei, Taiwan* *Aug 2017 - Sep 2017*

- Developed quantitative financial models using a stock market simulation system (WebSim).

Software Engineering Intern, *Google, Taipei, Taiwan* *July 2016 - Sep 2016*

- Worked on Android's boot loader. Speed up an essential procedure to gather hardware information in boot loader. More details: <https://source.android.com/devices/architecture/dto/optimize>

Network Management Group, *National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan* *Feb 2015 - Aug 2017*

- Assisted in managing and improving the network environment of CSIE department in NTU which has hundreds of users per day.

- Advisor: Prof. Hsin-Mu Tsai

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, *Advanced Algorithms (CS 4540)*, Georgia Tech *Fall 2020*

Teaching Assistant, *Automata and Complexity Theory (CS 4510)*, Georgia Tech *Spring 2020*

Teaching Assistant, *Algorithm Design and Analysis*, National Taiwan University *Fall 2018*

Teaching Assistant, *Data Structure and Algorithm*, National Taiwan University *Spring 2018*

- Held and designed educational activities for students to familiarize with course material.

Lecturer, *IOIcamp*, National Taiwan University *Winter 2016, 2017*

- A training camp for high school and college students on competitive programming.

- Taught advanced data structures and efficient polynomial operations.

Lecturer, *Sprout*, National Taiwan University *Mar - Jun 2015, 2016*

- A long-term program teaching talented high school students computer science.

- Taught basic C/C++ and Python programming.

Synergistic Activity

Judging the ICPC Taipei Regional Contest, National Taiwan University *Fall 2018*

Organizing a stand for LIBSVM at Future Tech Exhibition, Taipei World Trade Center *Winter 2017*

Judging the Taiwanese team selection contest for International Olympiad in Informatics *Spring 2015*

Proficient Skills

Programming Languages

* C/C++, Java, Python, Haskell, Javascript, \LaTeX