

# Manxi (Maggie) Shi

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## Education

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology, BS in EECS and Physics** (May 2027)  
Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computation Structures, Quantum Physics, Probability  
**BASIS Independent Silicon Valley, Graduated with High Honors** (August 2019 – May 2023)

## Experience

**Researcher: MIT Photonics and Modern Electro-Magnetics Group, Prof. Soljacic** (Sep 2024 – Present)  
Create an "AI Scientist" with RAG for LLMs to automate the research process in photonics, starting with novel idea generation.

**SWE Intern: Amlogic Inc.** (June 2024 – Aug 2024)  
Optimize audio resampling algorithm written in C with ARM Neon intrinsics on embedded system. Gained proficiency in performance engineering: vectorizing SIMD code, optimizing compiler ability, and performance profiling with ARM Development Studio. Also gained experience with embedded systems, cross compiling, and signal processing.

**Researcher: MIT Photonics and Modern Electro-Magnetics Group, Prof. Soljacic** (Sep 2023 – Present)  
Develop theoretical models for and test with simulations on computing cluster 3D photonic crystal designs to confine light in nanocavities without use of a photonic bandgap. Gained knowledge of group theory, supercomputing clusters, Scheme, Linux, and SLURM. Paper in progress.

**Computational Fluid Dynamics Research** (Jan 2023 – May 2023)  
Created Python simulation of the [Lattice Boltzmann Method](#) to model fluid flow around a cylinder in a walled channel. Gained experience with computational physics modeling in Python.

**Yale Summer Program in Astrophysics** (June 2022 – Aug 2022)  
Programmed in Python asteroid orbit simulation (Monte Carlo genetic algorithm, Method of Laplace, Stormer-Verlet numerical integrator) with photometry data extracted from images taken at Yale's Leitner Observatory.

**MIT Lincoln Laboratory Beaver Works Summer Institute: Build a CubeSat** (July 21 – Aug 2021)  
CAD designed, built, and programmed a prototype LEO CubeSat and Ground Station operated with Raspberry Pis. Gained experience with Linux and systems engineering.

**MIT Lincoln Laboratory Beaver Works Summer Institute: piPACT Project** (June 20 – July 2020)  
Analyzed bluetooth RSSI signals from two Raspberry Pi's for the purpose of proximity detection for COVID-19. Gained experience with Sci-kit Learn, Pandas, Numpy for machine learning and Linux.

**University of Chicago Pathways in Data Science** (June 2020 – July 2020)  
Used python to analyze census data and its implications on societal issues such as police brutality.

**Inspirit AI** (June 2020 – July 2020)  
Applied machine learning in Python to medical imaging, specifically for pneumonia detection from lung x-rays.

## Awards

2022 US Physics Team Member, US Physics Olympiad (USAPhO) Gold Medalist (2022)  
3x AIME Qualifier (2021/2022/2023)

## Skills

**General programming:** Python, C, Java, RISC-V Assembly, ARM, Linux, Bash/shell scripting, HPC, PyTorch  
**Math:** Linear Algebra, Probability, Statistics, Differential Equations, Calculus