Matthew Li

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EDUCATION

Stanford University *Bachelor of Science in Mathematics*

June 2028

Stanford, California

- GPA: 4.0
- Notable Coursework: Linear Algebra, PDEs (Analysis), Stochastic Methods, Deep Reinforcement Learning
- Organizations: Stanford Robotics Club (Autonomous Drone Delivery), Stanford Mathematical Organization

EXPERIENCE

Optiver

Mar 2025 - Present

2026 Quantitative Trading Intern, Future Focus Program Participant

Chicago, IL

- Implemented market making, mean reversion, and pairs trading algorithms in simulated environments
- Engaged in options theory lectures and traded options structures against others in open outcry games

Zong Lab - Stanford University

Mar 2024 - Present

Physics Researcher

Stanford, CA

- Developed algorithms in C to classify phonon excitations in superconductive materials
- Designed interactive interface and control software to align lab equipment and streamline data collection

Krokhin Lab - University of North Texas

Sep 2022 - Nov 2024

Physics Researcher

Denton, TX

- Utilized parallel processing in Python and wrote Bash scripts for the Lonestar6 supercomputer to decrease the runtime of sound wave propagation models by a factor of 128
- Created a clustering algorithm that successfully classified band structure eigenvalues in a noisy dataset
- Developed computational methods using SciPy and NumPy to solve quadratic eigenvalue problems
- Modeled systems governed by the Navier-Stokes equations using the Fourier transform
- Presented work twice at the National Science Foundation Emerging Researchers National Conference

AWARDS

- Silver Medallist, United States Physics Olympiad: Top 1% in national theoretical physics exam May 2024
- Best Undergraduate Physics Presentation, National Science Foundation Research Conference Mar 2024
- 2x AIME Qualifier: Top 5% in national mathematics exam

Feb 2023, 2024

15th Nationally, Princeton Physics Competition

Jan 2023

All State Cellist: Top 16 cellist in Texas

Feb 2021

VOLUNTEER WORK

Teaching Fellow at Breakthrough New York, 501(c)(3)

Jun - Aug 2024

- Taught two 9th grade classrooms math full time using a personally developed curriculum
- Led extracurricular activities such as an egg drop, talent show, and card writing for veterans

Math Extensions at Evers Park Elementary School

Oct 2023 - May 2024

Founded biweekly in-school math program for 5th grade class at a Title 1 elementary school

President of UNT IntelliChoice Club

Mar 2023 - May 2024

Organized 450 hours of tutoring for students at a local public library

SKILLS

Python, Pytorch, C++