# Zhize Li (李志泽)



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#### **EDUCATION**

Sep, 2014 - Now Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences (IIIS)

Ph.D. in Computer Science Tsinghua University

Advisor: Prof. Jian Li

Jan - Jun & Jul - Sep, 2018 Department of Computer Science

Visiting Scholar

Duke University

Host: Prof. Rong Ge

Jun - Jul, 2018 Industrial and Systems Engineering (ISyE)

Visiting Scholar Georgia Institute of Technology

Host: Prof. Guanghui (George) Lan

Aug, 2010 - Jul, 2014 Department of Computer Science

B.E. in Computer Science Xidian University
GPA Ranking: 2/419

Thesis: "Design of Optimal Algorithm for Multi-Armed Bandits"

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am interested in optimization, theoretical computer science and machine learning.

- Algorithms for Convex/Nonconvex/Distributed Optimization and Machine Learning (Major)
- Algorithm Design and Data Structures
- · Game Theory and Mechanism Design

# **EXPERIENCE/SERVICES**

- (Sub-)Reviewer: ICML 2019, JMLR 2018, COLT 2018, ICML 2017, AAAI 2017, ICALP 2016, TPDS 2016, TPAMI 2015, TON 2015.
- Feb, 2017 Jun, 2017 Teaching Assistant (TA)
   Advanced Theoretical Computer Science for graduate students
- Jul, 2016 Aug, 2016 The 2016 National Combinatorial Optimization Summer School Courses: Computational Complexity, Approximation Algorithms, Randomized Algorithms Outstanding Student (top 10/110)
- Sep, 2015 Dec, 2015 Teaching Assistant (TA)
   Algorithm Design for undergraduate students (Yao Class)
- Sep, 2014 Now Research Assistant (RA)
   Tsinghua-MIT-CUHK Research Center for Theoretical Computer Science
- Algorithm Engineer Intern: Alibaba (Jul Aug, 2013), NetEase (Jun Aug, 2017)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. Zhize Li, Jian Li. A Simple Proximal Stochastic Gradient Method for Nonsmooth Nonconvex Optimization. In 32nd Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2018). Spotlight talk.
- 2. **Zhize Li**, Jian Li, Hongwei Huo. **Optimal In-Place Suffix Sorting**. In 25th International Symposium on String Processing and Information Retrieval (SPIRE 2018). **Invited**.
- 3. **Zhize Li**, Le Zhang, Zhixuan Fang, Jian Li. **Optimal Two-Stage Mechanism for Ordinal Peer Assessment**. In 11th International Symposium on Algorithmic Game Theory (SAGT 2018).
- 4. **Zhize Li**, Wei Zhang, Kees Roos. **A Fast Polynomial Primal-Dual Projection Algorithm for Linear Programming**. In 23rd International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP 2018).

- 5. **Zhize Li**, Tianyi Zhang, Jian Li. **Stochastic Gradient Hamiltonian Monte Carlo with Variance Reduction for Bayesian Inference**. Submitted to (Machine Learning journal). under revision.
- 6. **Zhize Li**, Jian Li, Hongwei Huo. **Optimal In-Place Suffix Sorting**. Extended Abstract in 28th IEEE Data Compression Conference (DCC 2018).
- 7. Wei Cao, Jian Li, Yufei Tao, *Zhize Li*. On Top-k Selection in Multi-Armed Bandits and Hidden Bipartite Graphs. In 28th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2015).

#### In Submission

- 1. Rong Ge, Rohith Kuditipudi, Zhize Li, Xiang Wang (alphabetical order). Learning Two-layer Neural Networks with Symmetric Inputs. Submitted. 2018.
- Zhize Li, Jian Li. An Anderson-Chebyshev Mixing Method for Nonlinear Optimization. Submitted. 2018.
- 3. Zengyin Yang, Qian Wu, Hewu Li, *Zhize Li*, Jianping Wu. **DC-ROS: A Decoupled-Conflict Route Oscillation Suppression Scheme for IP-based Space Network**. Submitted. 2018.

# **MANUSCRIPTS**

 Yu Shi, Jian Li, Zhize Li. Gradient Boosting With Piece-Wise Linear Regression Trees. ArXiv. 2018.

### INVITED TALKS/POSTERS

- 1. China Theory Week 2018 (founded by Prof. Andrew Chi-Chih Yao in 2007). [slides]
- 2. The 16th China Symposium on Machine Learning and Applications (MLA'18). [slides]. [poster]

# **CONFERENCE TALKS/POSTERS**

- 1. Slides: NIPS 2018, SPIRE 2018, SAGT 2018, ISMP 2018.
- 2. Posters: DCC 2018, NIPS 2015.

# SELECTED AWARDS

- National Scholarship (top 1%)
- · Pacesetter of Outstanding Graduates (highest)
- The First Prize in Collegiate Advanced Mathematics Contest (highest) top 13/15000