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RESEARCH INTERESTS Theoretical computer science, quantum computing, and machine learning.

EDUCATION The University of Texas at Austin

2018 - Present

Ph.D. in Computer Science Advisor: Dana Moshkovitz

Fudan University 2014 - 2018

B.S. in Computer Science, Honors Class

EXPERIENCE The University of Texas at Austin

Fall 2018 - Fall 2021

Position: Research Assistant

Supervisors: Dana Moshkovitz, Scott Aaronson

**Zapata Computing, Inc.** Summer 2021, Summer 2022

Position: Quantum Research Intern

Supervisors: Peter Johnson, Guoming Wang

HONORS AND AWARDS University Graduate Continuing Fellowship, UT Austin Graduate School

Fudan University First Prize Scholarship, Wonders Information

2017

The ACM-ICPC Asia Regional Contest Gold Medal, Shanghai Site

The ACM-ICPC Asia Regional Contest Gold Medal, Hefei Site

2015

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Andrew Childs, Tongyang Li, Jin-Peng Liu, Chunhao Wang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Quantum Algorithms for Sampling Log-Concave Distributions and Estimating Normalizing Constants. In *Proceedings of the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS), 2022. In 26th Annual Conference on Quantum Information Processing (QIP), 2023. (Contributed talk)
- [2] Tongyang Li, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Quantum Speedups of Optimizing Approximately Convex Functions with Applications to Logarithmic Regret Stochastic Convex Bandits. In *Proceedings* of the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022.
- [3] Yichuan Deng, Zhao Song, Omri Weinstein, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Fast Distance Oracles for Any Symmetric Norm. In *Proceedings of the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS), 2022.
- [4] Baihe Huang, Shunhua Jiang, Zhao Song, Runzhou Tao, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Solving SDP Faster: A Robust IPM Framework and Efficient Implementation. In *Proceedings of the 63rd Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science* (FOCS), 2022.
- [5] **Ruizhe Zhang**, Guoming Wang, Peter Johnson. Computing Ground State Properties with Early Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computers. In *Quantum, Volume 6, Number 761*, 2022.
- [6] Jason Gaitonde, Max Hopkins, Tali Kaufman, Shachar Lovett, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Eigenstripping, Spectral Decay, and Edge-Expansion on Posets. In *Proceedings of the 26th International Conference on Randomization and Computation* (RANDOM), 2022.

- [7] Zhao Song, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Hyperbolic Concentration, Anti-concentration, and Discrepancy. In *Proceedings of the 26th International Conference on Randomization and Computation* (RANDOM), 2022.
- [8] Sitan Chen, Zhao Song, Runzhou Tao, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Symmetric Sparse Boolean Matrix Factorization and Applications. In *Proceedings of the 13th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science Conference* (ITCS), 2022.
- [9] Nai-Hui Chia, Chi-Ning Chou, Jiayu Zhang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Quantum Meets Minimum Circuit Size Problem. In *Proceedings of the 13th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science Conference* (ITCS), 2022.
- [10] Zhao Song, Shuo Yang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Does Preprocessing Help Training Over-Parameterized Neural Networks? In *Proceedings of the 35th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS), 2021.
- [11] Yuxuan Zhang, **Ruizhe Zhang**, Andrew C. Potter. QED driven QAOA for network-flow optimization. In *Quantum, Volume 5, Number 510*, 2021.
- [12] Scott Aaronson, Jiahui Liu, Qipeng Liu, Mark Zhandry, **Ruizhe Zhang**. New Approaches for Quantum Copy-Protection. In *Proceedings of the 41st Annual International Cryptology Conference* (CRYPTO), 2021.
- [13] Scott Aaronson, Nai-Hui Chia, Han-Hsuan Lin, Chunhao Wang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. On the Quantum Complexity of Closest Pair and Related Problems. In *Proceedings of the 35th Computational Complexity Conference* (CCC), 2020.

#### **PREPRINTS**

- [1] Hongru Yang, Ziyu Jiang, **Ruizhe Zhang**, Zhangyang Wang, Yingbin Liang. Convergence and Generalization of Wide Neural Networks with Large Bias. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2301.00327*, 2023.
- [2] Josh Alman, Jiehao Liang, Zhao Song, **Ruizhe Zhang**, Danyang Zhuo. Bypass exponential time preprocessing: Fast neural network training via weight-data correlation preprocessing. *arXiv* preprint arXiv:2211.14227, 2022.
- [3] Zhao Song, Baocheng Sun, Omri Weinstein, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Quartic Samples Suffice for Fourier Interpolation. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2210.12495*, 2022.
- [4] Guoming Wang, Daniel Stilck França, **Ruizhe Zhang**, Shuchen Zhu, Peter D. Johnson. Quantum algorithm for ground state energy estimation using circuit depth with exponentially improved dependence on precision. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2209.06811*, 2022.
- [5] Baihe Huang, Shunhua Jiang, Zhao Song, Runzhou Tao, **Ruizhe Zhang**. A Faster Quantum Algorithm for Semidefinite Programming via Robust IPM Framework. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2207.11154*, 2022.
- [6] Zhao Song, Baocheng Sun, Omri Weinstein, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Sparse Fourier Transform over Lattices: A Unified Approach to Signal Reconstruction. *arXiv* preprint arXiv:2205.00658, 2022.
- [7] Baihe Huang, Zhao Song, Omri Weinstein, Hengjie Zhang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. A Dynamic Fast Gaussian Transform. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2202.12329*, 2022.
- [8] Zhao Song, Lichen Zhang, **Ruizhe Zhang**. Training Multi-Layer Over-Parametrized Neural Network in Subquadratic Time. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2112.07628*, 2021.

[9] Baihe Huang, Zhao Song, Runzhou Tao, **Ruizhe Zhang**, Danyang Zhuo. InstaHide's Sample Complexity When Mixing Two Private Images. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2011.11877*, 2020.

#### TALKS

### **Quantum Speedups of Continuous Sampling and Optimization Problems**

- Invited talk at MIT Quantum Information Processing Seminar

Jan, 2023

### Solving SDP Faster: A Robust IPM Framework and Efficient Implementation

 The 63rd Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS 2022) Nov, 2022

#### Ground State Energy and Property Estimation with Low Quantum Circuit Depth

- Invited talk at QUARK Lab at Peking University

Oct, 2022

## Hyperbolic Concentration, Anti-concentration, and Discrepancy

The 26th International Conference on Randomization and Computation (RANDOM 2022)
 Sept, 2022

#### On the Quantum Fine-Grained Complexity of Closest Pair and Related Problems

- Invited talk at University of Washington Theory Seminar

May, 2022

# **Computing Ground State Properties with Early Fault-Tolerant Quantum Computers**

Contributed talk at APS March Meeting 2022

Mar, 2022

### Symmetric Sparse Boolean Matrix Factorization and Applications

The 13th Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science Conference (ITCS 2022)
 Feb 2022

#### **Quantum Speedup for Annealing and Sampling**

- Invited talk at Simons Institute reading group

Dec, 2021

### **Quantum Meets the Minimum Circuit Size Problem**

Second Kyoto Workshop on Quantum Information, Computation, and Foundation (QICF 2021)
 Sept, 2021

### On the Quantum Complexity of Closest Pair and Related Problems

- Computational Complexity Conference (CCC 2020)

Sept, 2020

 The 15th Conference on the Theory of Quantum Computation, Communication and Cryptography (TQC 2020)
 Aug, 2020

#### MENTORING

Baocheng Sun (Master's student at Weizmann Institute of Science)

#### **TEACHING**

#### At UT Austin

- TA for CS395T, Coding Theory (graduate class)

Spring 2022

- TA for CS388R, Randomized Algorithms (graduate class)

Fall 2021

- TA for CS388T, Theory of Computation (graduate class)

Spring 2020

#### At Fudan University

- TA for Data Structure (undergraduate class)

Fall 2016

### SERVICES

Conference referee:

 ESA 2020, Eurocrypt 2021, QIP 2021, AQIS 2021, QIP 2022, STOC 2022, ICML 2022, SODA 2023, QIP 2023, AAAI 2023, STACS 2023, STOC 2023

## Journal referee:

Quantum, PRX Quantum, Transactions on Information Theory, Advances in Engineering Software

CODING SKILLS C/C++, Python, Matlab, Latex