

Aidao Chen

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Education

- June 2023 **Northwestern University**, Evanston, Illinois, US.
(Expected) Phd in **Computer Science**. Advisor: Anindya De, Aravindan Vijayaraghavan. GPA: 3.895.
- 2021 **Northwestern University**, Evanston, Illinois, US.
Master of Science in **Computer Science** (En route).
- 2017 **Fudan University**, Shanghai, China.
Bachelor in **Computer Science and Technology, Honor Program**.
Overall GPA: 3.79/4, **Rank: 1/77**, Major GPA: 3.93/4 (first three years).

Areas of Interest

Artificial intelligence, Machine learning, Mathematics, Theoretical computer science.

Skills

Programming

Proficient: C++ (ACM-ICPC regional 6th place, Gold Medal), C and \LaTeX .

Skillful: Python, Java, Matlab, Mathematica, Bash, C#, HTML, SQL, JavaScript.

Learning Theory

Randomized Algorithms, Approximation Algorithms, Applied Probability.

Publications

- 2019 Bhaskara, Aditya and Chen, Aidao and Perreault, Aidan and Vijayaraghavan, Aravindan **Smoothed analysis in unsupervised learning via decoupling**
Accepted by 2019 IEEE 60th Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS). Acceptance rate: 28.9% (92/318).
- Journal version**
Invited and Accepted by Mathematical Programming 2020, Pages: 549 - 599.
- 2021 Chen, Aidao and De, Anindya and Vijayaraghavan, Aravindan **Learning a mixture of two subspaces over finite fields**
Accepted by The Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT) 2021. Acceptance rate: 29.3%.
- 2022 Chen, Aidao and De, Anindya and Vijayaraghavan, Aravindan **Algorithms for learning a mixture of linear classifiers**
Accepted by The Algorithmic Learning Theory (ALT) 2022.

Honors and Awards

- June 2018 **STOC Student Travel Grant**, issued by ACM.
- Sep 2017 **Data Science Fellowship**, issued by Northwestern University
\$8000 cash + \$2500 research allowance.
- Apr 2017 **Excellent Graduate 2017**, issued by Fudan University
Offered to the excellent graduate of Fudan University.

- Apr 2016 **EMC Scholarship for Excellent Student**, issued by EMC
One in total in the major.
- Dec 2015 **Honor Program Scholarship**, issued Fudan University
Ten in total in the program.
- Nov 2015 **Tung OOCL Scholarship**, issued by Fudan University
Three in total in the major.
- Dec 2014 **ACM-ICPC programming contest, 6th place, gold medal, Shanghai regional**, issued by ACM.
- Oct 2014 **ACM-ICPC programming contest, silver medal, Mudanjiang regional**, issued by ACM.

Teaching

- Winter 2022 Teaching Assistant, Northwestern CS 496 - Graduate Algorithms.
- Winter 2022 Teaching Assistant, Northwestern CS 496 - Foundations of Quantum Computing and Quantum Information.
- Spring 2020 Teaching Assistant, Northwestern CS 336 - Design & Analysis of Algorithms.
- Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, Northwestern CS 335 - Intro to the Theory of Computation.
- Spring 2018 Teaching Assistant, Northwestern CS 212 - Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science.

Selected Courses

Theoretical Machine Learning(A)
Computer Vision(A)
Algebra Structure and Mathematical logic(A)
Compilers(A)
Algorithm Design and Analysis(A-)
Computer Architecture(A)
Computational Geometry(A)
Real Analysis I/II/III(A/A/A)
Computational Complexity(A)
Graduate Algorithms(A)
Randomized Algorithms(A)
Approximation Algorithms(A)
Intro to the Theory of numbers I/II(A/A)
Intro to Topology I/II(A/A)
Set Theory and Graph Theory(A)
Operating Systems(A)
Probability Theory and Mathematical Statistics(A)
Data Structure(A)
Introduction to Database Systems(A)
Linear Algebra(A-)

Service

Reviewer: European Symposium on Algorithms 2019.