

# WENTING (WENDY) LI

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## EDUCATION

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**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI)**, Troy, NY *Aug. 2015 to Dec. 2019*  
PhD Candidate in Electrical, Computer, System & Engineering GPA: 3.83/4  
Advisor: Meng Wang

**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI)**, Troy, NY *Aug. 2015 to 2017*  
Master Degree in Applied Mathematics GPA: 3.96/4  
Advisor: John E. Mitchell

**Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)**, Shanghai, China *July 2013 to May 2015*  
Research Assistant in Electrical Engineering  
Advisor: Xu Cai

**Harbin Institute of Technology (HIT)**, Harbin, China *Sept. 2009 to July 2013*  
B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering Rank: 3/245 GPA: 91.4/100

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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Languages: Matlab, Python, R, C/C++

Software: **Tensorflow, Scikit-learn, Pandas, Keras, AMPL, SQL, Minitab, Docker, Git, PSS/E, Simulink, PSCAD, Django, Flask, HTML, Latex, Microsoft Office**

## EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

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**Summer Intern (Deep Learning)** Online Fault Location through Deep Learning Classifier  
*Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), NM* *May 2018 - Aug. 2018*

- Propose a real-time approach to locate faults in a network with high accuracy even only 7% of network nodes are observed, while other methods require 30% of nodes to be observed.
- Develop a node selection algorithm to determine the measured nodes, increasing 10% location accuracy.

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

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**Project Leader** Application of Bayesian Network (Probabilistic Graph Model)  
*RPI, Troy, NY* *Sept., 2018 to Dec., 2018*

- Estimate inference through Gibbs Sampling & mean field methods for Diagnosing Congenital disease.
- Non-intrusively load separation via a Factorial Hidden Markov Model (FHMM).
- Employ Bayesian Network (BN) to estimate posterior inference for classification.
- Apply a pairwise label-observation Gaussian Markov Random Field method (MRF) to image segmentation

**Project Leader & Dr. Christoph Lackner** Power Analysis and Transmission via IBM Cloud  
*RPI and New York Power Authority* *June 2017 to Oct. 2017*

- Embed our classification algorithms into Cloud using IBM Watson API & SQL:  
<https://python-demo-dittographic-nyctophobia.mybluemix.net/results>.

**Project Leader** Application of Deep Learning Models  
*RPI, Troy, NY* *Sept. 2016 to Dec. 2016*

- Identify twitter sentiment by a long-short term memory (LSTM) and cluster parameters with t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding (t-SNE).
- Design a four-path CNN to estimate the position of eye gazing, reaching the top 10 accuracy in class.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Research Assistant** Non-intrusive Load Separation via Sparse Dictionary Learning  
*RPI, Troy, NY* *Sep 2018 to Present*

- Given partial labels, classify aggregated data via a dictionary learning based approach with sparsity;
- Separate aggregated data via sparse coding without any individual historical data.

**Research Assistant** Identify Overlapping Successive Events through a Shallow CNN  
*RPI, Troy, NY* *July 2017 to Sep. 2018*

- The defined *dominant feature* reduces 8 times of total parameters of the proposed CNN;
- Propose the prediction-subtraction process to reduce overlapping effects.

**Research Assistant** Online Event Identification from High-dimensional Data  
*RPI, Troy, NY* *Aug. 2015 to May 2017*

- Reduce time periods from 5-30 seconds to 1 second by characterizing events with dominant subspace;
- Establish a dictionary of 71 atoms while the traditional dictionary is of thousands of atoms.

**Research Assistant** Modeling and Control Renewable Energy Resources  
*Alstom and SJTU, Shanghai, China* *July 2013 to May 2015*

- Model and simulate wind renewable energy resources to go through faults.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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**Wenting Li**, Wang M, "Identifying Successive Events through a Shallow Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)," 2018, IEEE Power System Transaction.

**Wenting Li**, Deepjyoti Deka, Michael Chertkov, Wang M, "Real-time Faulted Line Localization and PMU Placement in Power Systems through Convolutional Neural Networks," 2018, IEEE Power System Transaction.

**Wenting Li**, Wang M, Chow J H., "Real-time Event Identification through Low-dimensional Subspace Characterization of High-dimensional Synchrophasor Data," 2018, IEEE Power System Transaction.

## PRESENTATIONS & POSTER

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**Identifying Overlapping Successive Events Using a Shallow CNN** Poster

- 2019 Future Energy Systems Technology Conference, Troy, NY, USA, April 10, 2019

**Real-time Fault Location Through Deep Learning** Oral & Poster

- 2018 LANL **30 minutes** Talks, Los Alamos, NM, USA, Aug. 9, 2018

**Real-time Event Identification of High-dimensional Data** Oral & Poster

- 2017 CURENT Industry Conference, the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA, Nov. 14, 2017

## AWARDS

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3-Minute Thesis Talk Final Round, 2019

Founders Award of Excellence, 2018 (top 1%)

North America Finalist of IBM Watson Build Challenge, 2017

Power Energy Society Traveling Award, 2016

The excellent new Ph.D. Student Scholarship, 2013 (Top 1%)

The excellent paper of China power electronics annual meeting, 2013

Honorable Mention Award of Mathematical Modeling, 2012

Peoples Scholarship (Top 3%), National Encouragement Scholarship (Top 2%), 2012