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Curriculum Vitæ

I was born in 1989 in Fujian, a province in Southeast China. It was in this beautiful province that I received my early education, including primary, middle, and high schools. After that, I went to Beijing for my undergraduate studies, at Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, where I was trained, for the first time, as a physicist. My academic life continued at Beijing Normal University as a Master student in theoretical physics. In 2015, I was enrolled as a PhD candidate at the Lorentz Institute, Leiden University. Under the supervision of Dr. Luca Giomi, I studied theoretically the growth of bacterial colonies, endeavouring to understand the self-organization from the perspective of a physicist. In the nearest future, I will continue my exploration in soft&bio-mechanics as a postdoc at the University of California at Santa Barbara, USA.

List of Publications

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