

# LIKUN ZHENG

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## Education

**Ph.D.** in Mathematics at the **University of Minnesota-Twin cities** 2005 – 2010 (expected)  
Academic Adviser: **Hans G. Othmer**  
Thesis: Noise propagation in diffusion-reaction networks  
**Preliminary oral exam: 12/ 18/ 2008**

M.S. in Applied Mathematics at the University of Minnesota 2005 – 2009

B.S. in Mathematics at Huazhong University of Science and Technology 2001 – 2005  
Thesis: A linear approach to the coefficients of the stock combination model

## Course Work

### Math:

Mathematical modeling and methods of applied math (I,II),  
Numerical analysis and scientific computing (I,II),  
Theory of partial differential equations (I,II)

### Biology:

Topics in mathematical biology, Mathematical analysis in complex biological networks,  
Pharmagenomics

### Computer Science:

Principles of database systems, Introduction to data mining

### Statistics and Financial Math:

Theory of probability (I,II), Statistics, Multivariate statistics, Time series analysis,  
Introduction to stochastic process, Stochastic process, Mathematical finance,  
Operation theory, Linear optimization

## Research Interests

**Applications of Stochastic Analysis in Biological Networks, Finance and Pharmacology**

### Various Background:

Probability, Simulations, Statistics, Physics, Biochemistry, Dynamical systems,  
Financial math and Bioinformatics.

## Scientific/Academic Honors and Grants

Travel award to Workshop 7: *Drosophila* Development at  
**Mathematical Bio-sciences Institute** 06/2009

Travel award to the 2007 Annual Meeting at  
**Society for Mathematical Biology** 08/2007

### Computing Skills

**Matlab, Maple, Mathematics, Matcont, Xppaut, Fern  
 Fortran, C/C++  
 Windows, Linux, Mac**

### Research Experience

The effect of noise in the stochastic gene network, 2008 – Present  
 Project with Hans G. Othmer, Hye-won Kang:  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

The precision of the dorsal surface pattern in *Drosophila* 2007 – Present  
 Project with Hans G. Othmer:  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

The effect of co-receptors in the ligand-receptor interaction process 2007 – Present  
 Project with Hans G. Othmer:  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

The treatment of humane colon cancer by initiating apoptosis in *Bax*-null tumors 2008 spring  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

Stochastic analysis of regulatory protein binding target sites on DNA 2007 fall  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

Deterministic and stochastic analysis of the regulation and expression of key genes 2007 spring  
 defining the mesoderm-neuroectoderm boundary in the early *Drosophila* embryo  
 Project with Scott Skorupa:  
 University of Minnesota, School of Mathematics

### Conference/Seminar Talks and Posters

**International Conference on Mathematical Biology and  
 2009 Annual Meeting of The Society of Mathematical Biology:** (July 2009)  
 Poster: *Stochastic Models for DV Patterning in Drosophila*  
 University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

**Workshop 7: *Drosophila* Development:** (June 2009)  
 Poster: *Stochastic Models for DV Patterning in Drosophila*  
 Mathematical Bio-sciences Institute, Columbus, Ohio

**Mathematical Biology Seminar:** (December 2008)Talk: *Noise propagation in diffusion-reaction networks*

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

**Pharmagenomics Seminar:** (April 2008)Talk: *The treatment of humane colon cancer by initiating apoptosis in Bax-null tumors*

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

**Mathematical Biology Seminar:** (December 2007)Talk: *Stochastic analysis of regulatory protein binding target sites on DNA*

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

**The Joint Annual Meetings of the Society for Mathematical Biology and the Japanese Society for Mathematical Biology:** (June 2007)Poster: *Stochastic aspects of DV Patterning in Drosophila*

Fairmont Hotel, San Jose, California, USA

**Mathematical Biology Seminar:** (May 2007)Talk: *Deterministic and stochastic analysis of the regulation and expression of key genes defining the mesoderm-neuroectoderm boundary in the early Drosophila embryo*

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

**Working experience****Teaching assistant**

Guest leading Mathematical Analysis in Complex Biological Networks

2009 spring

Recitation of Collage Algebra and Probability

2006 fall

Grading

2005 – 2006

**Research assistant**

2007 – present

Stochastic analysis applied to the embryo development of *Drosophila***Professional Affiliations**

American Mathematical Society

Society for Mathematical Biology

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics

**References**

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