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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS

Dr. Hiroyuki Iida was born in 1962, who has Japanese Nationality. Married, three children, three grandchildren.

## OVERVIEW

HIROYUKI IIDA received the Ph.D. degree in heuristic theories of game tree search from the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Tokyo, in 1994. He was affiliated with Shizuoka University, Hamamatsu, and a Guest Researcher with Maastricht University. He is currently a Japanese Computer Scientist and a Computer Game Researcher with a focus on game refinement theory, opponent-model search, and computer shogi. He is also the Trustee and the Vice President of educational and student affairs with the Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST), and Head of the Iida Laboratory. He is a professional 7-dan shogi player, a coauthor of the shogi program TACOS, and a four-time gold medal winner at the Computer Olympiad. His research interests include artificial intelligence, game informatics, game theory, mathematical models, search algorithms, game refinement theory, game tree search, and entertainment science.

Dr. Hiroyuki Iida has been an enthusiasm researcher in the domains such as computer games and entertainment computing, while acting as important roles of international activities such as conference chair, program chair and journal editor. He has also organized Mind Sports Computer Olympiad as the secretary/treasurer of ICGA (International Computer Games Association) for each year since early 2000. He supervised many master and PhD students until now, while acting as PhD committee member (external assessment) for PhD candidates in Maastricht University and Tilburg University in the Netherlands. He also served as an external assessment for international research funding such as Canada and Holland.

URL: <https://www.jaist.ac.jp/english/laboratory/his/iida.html>

Elsevier Scopus SciVal Score shows (April 2023) that Hiroyuki Iida's research activities with his associates in Artificial Intelligence; Algorithms; Computers (TC.1151) and Students; Education; Teaching (TC.542) are at the highest ranking in Japan as well as within top 10 ranking in the world.

**Trustee and Vice-president of JAIST** 2020 - onward

**Full Professor, School of Information Science, Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST)** 2005-2020

**Dean, School of Information Science**

Senate, JAIST 2010-2011

Director, Research Unit for Entertainment and Intelligence 2009-onward

Director, Research Unit for Computer Games 2005-2009

**Researcher, PRESTO (Precursory Research for Embryonic Science and Technology), JST (Japan Science and Technology Agency)**

2003-2006

JST big funding project has enabled Dr Hiroyuki Iida to carry out many outstanding research outputs. It includes the development of AI programs such as computer shogi world champion (TACOS), invention of the game-refinement theory which is another game theory from the viewpoint of game designers, a new ranking system, and so on. <http://scienceportal.jp/archives/archiv-column/archiv-sakigake/7325/20070413.html>

**Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Information, University of Shizuoka**

1996-2005

Dr. Hiroyuki Iida proposed the opponent-model search (OM-Search) which is a generalization of the minimax-based game tree search which has been proposed by Claude E. Shannon (1950) based on the game theory idea by von Neumann (1928). Moreover, he proposed many advanced ideas based on OM-Search such as tutorial/coaching strategy in game playing and cooperating strategy. He received distinguished awards from several association such as Japan AI Society, Computer Software Society, and Computer Shogi Association.

**GM 7-dan Shogi player, Japan Shogi Federation**

1983-1994

Dr. Hiroyuki Iida has been a GM shogi 7-dan player. He has been invited to participate all official tournament of shogi in Japan. He has been an enrolled would-be-GM player since he was 14 years of age. He stopped this career in 1992 in order to concentrate his research activities.

## EDUCATION

### 1992-1993 VISITING PHD STUDENT, UNIVERSITY OF MAASTRICHT

1992-1994 Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, PhD

1989-1991 Research student, Department of Computer Science, School of Electric Engineering, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology

1980-1985 Undergraduate study, Department of Mathematics, Sophia University

## PUBLICATIONS

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**LECTURES** | Mathematics (Algebra, Analysis, Discrete Math)

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Game Informatics (in English)

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