

# Zhihan Zhou

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## EDUCATION

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**Northwestern University** 09/2018 - Present

- ✧ Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science (GPA: **4.0/4.0**)
- ✧ Master of Science, Computer Science (GPA: **4.0/4.0**)
- Advisor: Han Liu      Research Area: Natural Language Processing

**Zhejiang University** 09/2014 - 06/2018

- ✧ Bachelor of Science, Mathematics and Applied Mathematics

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- ✧ **Learning Dialogue Representations from Consecutive Utterances**  
*Zhihan Zhou, Dejiao Zhang, Wei Xiao, Nicholas Dingwall, Xiaofei Ma, Andrew Arnold, Bing Xiang*  
Proceedings of *NAACL 2022*
- ✧ **Trade the Event: Corporate Events Detection for News-based Event-driven Trading**  
*Zhihan Zhou, Liqian Ma, Han Liu*  
Proceedings of *ACL 2021, Findings*
- ✧ **DNABERT: Pre-trained Bidirectional Encoder Representation from Transformers for DNA Language Modeling in Genome**  
*Yanrong Ji\*, Zhihan Zhou\*, Han Liu, Ramana V Davuluri (\*: joint first author)*  
Published on *Bioinformatics*, btab083, 2021
- ✧ **Few-shot Slot Tagging with Collapsed Dependency Transfer and Label-enhanced Task-adaptive Projection Network**  
*Yutai Hou, Wanxiang Che, Yongkui Lai, Zhihan Zhou, Yijia Liu, Han Liu, Ting Liu*  
Proceedings of *ACL 2020*
- ✧ **Joint Speaker Diarization and Recognition Using Convolutional and Recurrent Neural Networks**  
*Zhihan Zhou, Yichi Zhang, Zhiyao Duan*  
Proceedings of *ICASSP 2018*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Applied Scientist Intern @ AWS AI** 09/2021 – 12/2021

- ✧ Conduct research project on Conversational AI.
- ✧ Perform large-scale contrastive conversational model pre-training to improve few-shot dialogue understanding.

**Research Assistant @ MAGICS Lab, Northwestern University** 01/2019 - Present

- ✧ Conducted multiple Research projects including but not limited to:
  - Massive News Acquisition:** Build a system that acquires news articles in real-time from 10000+ websites.
  - Drug Repurposing:** Exploit Graph Attention Network (GATs) to predict the relationships between drugs and diseases on a huge biologic knowledge graph which contains millions of nodes and tens of millions of edges.
  - Virus Genome Analysis:** Utilize Longformer-based language model to analyze the SARS\_CoV\_2 virus.
- ✧ Participate in the construction and maintenance of a private Kubernetes cluster consists of 14 nodes.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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- ✧ Computer languages: Python, Java, R, Javascript, HTML, CSS
- ✧ Skills: Kubernetes, Docker, Linux, React