

# Zhihan Zhou

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## EDUCATION

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**Department of Computer Science, 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

**School of Mathematical Sciences, 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, Matlab

✧ Skills: Kubernetes, Docker, Linux, MongoDB, React