

# Hongyu Zhao

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning

## EDUCATION

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2023 - NOW **Ph.D. in Computer Science**

University of Maryland

Supervised by Tianyi Zhou

2021 - 2023 **M.S. in Computational and Applied Mathematics**

University of Chicago

Supervised by Hongyuan Mei

2017 - 2021 **B.S. in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics**

School of Gifted Young, University of Science & Technology of China

## PUBLICATIONS

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**H. Zhao**, M. Li, and T. Zhou, "BenTo: Benchmark Task Reduction with In-Context Transferability", Proceedings of ICLR 2025.

M. Li, P. Chen, C. Wang, **H. Zhao**, Y. Liang, Y. Hou, F. Liu, T. Zhou, "Mosaic-IT: Free Compositional Data Augmentation Improves Instruction Tuning", Arxiv Preprint 2025.

**H. Zhao**, K. Wang, M. Yu, and H. Mei, "Explicit Planning Helps Language Models in Logical Reasoning", Proceedings of EMNLP 2023 Oral.

J. Gu, **H. Zhao**, H. Xu, L. Nie, H. Mei, and W. Yin, "Robustness of Learning from Task Instructions", Findings of ACL 2023.

S. Xue, F. Zhou, Y. Xu, M. Jin, Q. Wen, H. Hao, Q. Dai, C. Jiang, **H. Zhao**, S. Xie, J. He, J. Zhang, H. Mei, "Weaverbird: Empowering financial decision-making with large language model, knowledge base, and search engine", Arxiv Preprint 2023.

**H. Zhao**, H. Tan, and H. Mei, "Tiny-Attention Adapter: Contexts Are More Important Than the Number of Parameters", Proceedings of EMNLP 2022.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Apple** May 2024 - Aug 2024

**Ant Group** Jun 2023 - Sep 2023

## HONORS & AWARDS

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Dean's Fellowship 2023

Outstanding Freshman Scholarship (15% in all departments) 2017

## SKILLS

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Coding Familiar with Python, have experiences with C++/C#/MATLAB/QT etc.

Language Fluent English, native Chinese, mid-level Japanese and German.