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**Research Interests:** Deep Generative Models, Amortized Inference, Probabilistic Programming

## EDUCATION

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<b>Ph.D., Computer Science</b> Northeastern University Supervisor: Jan-Willem van de Meent	2017 - 2023(expected) Boston, MA
<b>M.Sc., Computer Science</b> University of Virginia	2015 - 2016 Charlottesville, VA
<b>M.Sc., Applied Mathematics</b> University of Washington	2014 - 2015 Seattle, WA
<b>B.Sc., Mathematics</b> Sichuan University	2010 - 2014 Chengdu, China

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Research Intern</b> Google Research Advisor: Matt Hoffman, Jacob Burnim	Summer 2022 Cambridge, MA
<b>Research Intern</b> IBM Research Advisor: Soumya Ghosh	Summer 2021 Cambridge, MA
<b>Research Intern</b> Oracle Labs Advisor: Jean-Baptiste Tristan	Summer 2020 Burlington, MA
<b>Associate Software Engineer</b> MicroStrategy	2017 Tysons, VA

## PUBLICATIONS

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Heiko Zimmermann, **Hao Wu**, Babak Esmaeili, Sam Stites, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Nested Variational Inference. *Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2021

Sam Stites\*, Heiko Zimmermann\*, **Hao Wu**, Eli Sennesh, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Learning Proposals for Probabilistic Programs with Inference Combinators. *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (AISTATS)*, 2021.

**Hao Wu**\*, Babak Esmaeili\*, Michael Wick, Jean-Baptiste Tristan, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Conjugate Energy-Based Models. *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2021.

**Hao Wu**, Heiko Zimmermann, Eli Sennesh, Tuan-Anh Le, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Amortized Population Gibbs Samplers with Neural Sufficient Statistics. *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2020.

Babak Esmaeili, **Hao Wu**, Sarthak Jain, Aican Bozkurt, N. Siddharth, Brooks Paige, Dana H. Brooks, Jennifer Dy, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Structured Disentangled Representations. *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, 2019.

Eli Sennesh, Adam Ścibior, **Hao Wu**, Jan-Willem van de Meent. Composing Modeling and Inference Operations with Probabilistic Program Combinators. *NeurIPS Bayesian Nonparametrics Workshop*, 2018.

## TALKS

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### **Conjugate Energy-Based Models**

Contributed Talk, ICLR Energy-Based Models Workshop 2021

### **Conjugate Energy-Based Models**

Contributed Talk, Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference 2021

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### **Reviewer**

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2021

International Conference on Probabilistic Programming (ProbProg) 2021

International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS) 2022

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### **Teaching Assistant**

Northeastern University *Boston, MA*

Unsupervised Machine Learning and Data Mining (Master Level Course) 2018, 2021

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** Mandarin Chinese (Native Proficiency), English (Professional Working Proficiency)

**Programming:** Python, Java