

# Zichun Yu

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## Education

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### Carnegie Mellon University (CMU)

PHD STUDENT AT LANGUAGE TECHNOLOGIES INSTITUTE

Aug. 2023 - Present

- GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Core Courses: Large Language Models Methods and Application (A+), Multimodal Machine Learning (A+), On-Device Machine Learning (A+), Introduction to Machine Learning (A), Probabilistic Graphical Models (A)

### Tsinghua University (THU)

B.ENG. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Sep. 2019 - Jul. 2023

- GPA: 3.94/4.0, Ranking: 7/202
- Core Courses: Computer Organization (100, Top 1), Operating Systems (100, Top 1), Formal Languages and Automata (100, Top 1), Probability and Statistics (100, Top 1), Foundation of Object-Oriented Programming (99, Top 3)

## Publication

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- **Data-Efficient Pretraining with Group-Level Data Influence Modeling** [PDF]  
**Zichun Yu**, Fei Peng, Jie Lei, Arnold Overwijk, Wen-tau Yih, Chenyan Xiong  
Under Review.
- **MATES: Model-Aware Data Selection for Efficient Pretraining with Data Influence Models** [PDF][Talk]  
**Zichun Yu**, Spandan Das, Chenyan Xiong  
In *Proceedings of The 38th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS'24)*.
- **Montessori-Instruct: Generate Influential Training Data Tailored for Student Learning** [PDF]  
Xiaochuan Li, **Zichun Yu**, Chenyan Xiong  
In *Proceedings of The 13th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR'25)*.
- **Augmentation-Adapted Retriever Improves Generalization of Language Models as Generic Plug-In** [PDF]  
**Zichun Yu**, Chenyan Xiong, Shi Yu, Zhiyuan Liu  
In *Proceedings of The 61st Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL'23)*.
- **An In-depth Look at Gemini's Language Abilities** [PDF]  
**Zichun Yu\***, Syeda Nahida Akter\*, Aashiq Muhamed\*, Tianyue Ou\*, Alex Bäuerle, Ángel Alexander Cabrera, Krish Dholakia, Chenyan Xiong, Graham Neubig  
*arXiv preprint arXiv:2312.11444*.
- **Automatic Label Sequence Generation for Prompting Sequence-to-sequence Models** [PDF]  
**Zichun Yu**, Tianyu Gao, Zhengyan Zhang, Yankai Lin, Zhiyuan Liu, Maosong Sun, Jie Zhou  
In *Proceedings of The 29th International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING'22)*.

## Honors & Awards

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- 2022 **First Prize (Top 1 in Academics and Research)**, THU Comprehensive Merit Scholarship
- 2021 **First Prize (Top 5%)**, THU Academic Excellence Scholarship
- 2020 **First Prize (Top 5%)**, THU Academic Excellence Scholarship
- 2020 **First Prize (Top 5%)**, THU Academic Improvement Scholarship