

HEXU ZHAO

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Aspiring and striving to become a skilled machine learning system researcher.

Education

Courant Institute, New York University

Ph.D in ML system, advised by Prof. [Jinyang Li](#) and Prof. [Aurojit Panda](#)

New York, USA

2023 - present

Honored Yao Class, Tsinghua University

Bachelor of Computer Science

Beijing, China

2019 - 2023

Publications

[On Optimizing the Communication of Model Parallelism](#)

Yonghao Zhuang*, **Hexu Zhao***(co-1st author), Lianmin Zheng, Zhuohan Li, Eric P. Xing, Qirong Ho, Joseph E. Gonzalez, Ion Stoica, Hao Zhang

MLSys2023

[Fully Hyperbolic Neural Networks](#)

Weize Chen, Xu Han, Yankai Lin, **Hexu Zhao**, Zhiyuan Liu, Peng Li, Maosong Sun, Jie Zhou

ACL2022

[Development of a Doctor-in-the-loop Interpretation Framework for Insulin Titration in Diabetes: a Proof-of-concept Study](#)

Haowei He*, Zhen Ying*, Biao Li, Yujuan Fan, Ping Wang, Jiaping Lu, Liming Wu, **Hexu Zhao**, Xiaoying Li, Yang Yuan, Ying Chen

In submission to *The Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinology Journal*

Research Experience

Research Assistant at MBZUAI

02/2022 - 10/2022

Advised by Prof. Eric Xing and Prof. Hao Zhang and Lianmin Zheng

- Contributed to the Distributed Machine Learning System [Alpa Project](#).
- [Develop an improved approach for cross-mesh resharding](#) communication pattern in distributed machine learning, achieving up to a 10x speed increase; For GPT-3 and U-Transformer end-to-end training, we improve throughput by 10% and 50%, respectively. It's accepted by *MLSys2023*.

Research Intern at Shanghai Andrew Yao Research Institute

02/2021 - 11/2021

Advised by Prof. Yang Yuan

- Participated in a Diabetes Management Project, leveraging AI to determine insulin dosage.
- I worked on the entire AI healthcare development cycle: conducting needs assessments in hospital, preprocessing data, model design and training, model deployment and etc.

Research Intern at Tsinghua NLP Lab

10/2020 - 02/2021

Advised by Prof. Zhiyuan Liu

- Developed a system for the distributed training of knowledge graph embeddings, leveraging Megatron-LM's communication primitives.
- Participated in a [hyperbolic neural network](#) project, applied its hyperbolic algorithm on common knowledge graph embedding models. It's accepted by *ACL2022*.

Engineering Experience

Engineering intern at Polyhedra

02/2023 - 08/2023

- Implemented Zero-Knowledge Proof(ZKP) protocol.
- Accelerated computation primitives in ZKP, including speed up NTT with GPU.

Engineering intern at Haihua Research Institute

06/2020 - 09/2020

Participated in AI+healthcare startup Qianfang Medical led by Prof. Yang Yuan.

- Code with Scala and learned engineering skills: Type-Safe, OOP/FP, microservices(Akka) and etc.

Other Selected Experience

China National Olympiad of Informatics Gold Medalist

08/2018

- I taught myself and became the first Gold Medalist in any Olympiad competition in history of Zibo City, after navigating through numerous challenges. This is what I'm most proud of in my past; but I don't wish for it to be my pride in the future.

Teaching Olympiad of Informatics

2018-2022

- Taught over 2000 senior high school students algorithms and data structures for the Olympiad of Informatics.

TA for Type-Safe Front-end and Back-end System at Tsinghua University 07/2022 - 08/2022**AI-track Investment Analyst Intern at ZhenFund Venture Capital** 06/2021 - 09/2021**Outstanding Scholarship for Social Works at Tsinghua University** 2020 - 2022

- 2019 Yao Class Monitor, Student Adviser of the 2022 Yao Class and etc.

Academic Referees

Prof. Jinyang Li: jinyang@cs.nyu.eduProf. Aurojit Panda: apanda@cs.nyu.eduProf. Hao Zhang: haozhang@ucsd.edu