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## EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. Student in Computer Science**, The Ohio State University *Columbus, OH, Aug. 2023 - May. 2028 (Expected)*  
*Advised by Prof. Huan Sun, OSU NLP Group*
- **Master in Computer Science**, Peking University *Beijing, China, Sep. 2020 - Jul. 2023*  
*Advised by Prof. Junfeng Hu, Institute of Computational Linguistics*
- **Bachelor in Software Engineering**, Northeastern University *Shenyang, China, Sep. 2016 - Jun. 2020*  
*Advised by Prof. Guibing Guo.*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Research Assistant**, The Ohio State University *Sep. 2023 - Present*  
*Advised by Prof. Huan Sun*
- **Research Assistant**, Peking University *Sep. 2020 - Jul. 2023*  
*Advised by Prof. Junfeng Hu*
- **Research Intern**, Microsoft Research Asia *Jul. 2021 - Jul. 2022*  
*Advised by Dr. Zeqi Lin, Data and Knowledge Intelligence Group*

## PUBLICATIONS

- [9] **AutoSDT: Scaling Data-Driven Discovery Tasks Toward Open Co-Scientists**  
[ArXiv 2025] [Yifei Li](#)\*, Hanane Nour Moussa\*, Ziru Chen, Shijie Chen, Botao Yu, Mingyi Xue, Benjamin Burns, Tzu-Yao Chiu, Vishal Dey, Zitong Lu, Chen Wei, Qianheng Zhang, Tianyu Zhang, Song Gao, Xuhui Huang, Xia Ning, Nesreen K. Ahmed, Ali Payani, Huan Sun
- [8] **Mind2Web 2 Evaluating Agentic Search with Agent-as-a-Judge**  
[ArXiv 2025] Boyu Gou\*, Zanming Huang\*, Yuting Ning\*, Yu Gu, Michael Lin, Weijian Qi, Andrei Kopanav, Botao Yu, Bernal Jiménez Gutiérrez, Yiheng Shu, Chan Hee Song, Jiaman Wu, Shijie Chen, Hanane Nour Moussa, Tianshu Zhang, Jian Xie, [Yifei Li](#), Tianci Xue, Zeyi Liao, Kai Zhang, Boyuan Zheng, Zhaowei Cai, Viktor Rozgic, Morteza Ziyadi, Huan Sun, Yu Su
- [7] **ScienceAgentBench: Toward Rigorous Assessment of Language Agents for Data-Driven Scientific Discovery**  
[ICLR 2025] Ziru Chen, Shijie Chen, Yuting Ning, Qianheng Zhang, Boshi Wang, Botao Yu, [Yifei Li](#), Zeyi Liao, Chen Wei, Zitong Lu, Vishal Dey, Mingyi Xue, Frazier N Baker, Benjamin Burns, Daniel Adu-Ampratwum, Xuhui Huang, Xia Ning, Song Gao, Yu Su, Huan Sun
- [6] **Math-shepherd: Verify and reinforce LLMs step-by-step without human annotations**  
[ACL 2024] Peiyi Wang\*, Lei Li, Zhihong Shao, Runxin Xu, Damai Dai, [Yifei Li](#), Deli Chen, Yu Wu, Zhifang Sui
- [5] **AttributionBench: How Hard is Automatic Attribution Evaluation?**  
[ACL 2024 (Findings)] [Yifei Li](#)\*, Xiang Yue, Zeyi Liao, Huan Sun
- [4] **Tablellama: Towards open large generalist models for tables**  
[NAACL 2024] Tianshu Zhang\*, Xiang Yue, [Yifei Li](#), Huan Sun
- [3] **Making language models better reasoners with step-aware verifier**  
[ACL 2023] [Yifei Li](#), Zeqi Lin, Shizhuo Zhang, Qiang Fu, Bei Chen, Jian-Guang Lou, Weizhu Chen
- [2] **Exploiting high-order local and global useritem interactions for effective recommendation**  
[Knowledge-Based Systems, 2022] Sheng Tian, Guibing Guo, [Yifei Li](#), Yuan Liu, Xingwei Wang
- [1] **Input-tuning: Adapting unfamiliar inputs to frozen pretrained models**  
[ArXiv 2022] Shengnan An\*, [Yifei Li](#)\*, Zeqi Lin, Qian Liu, Bei Chen, Qiang Fu, Weizhu Chen, Nanning Zheng, Jian-Guang Lou

## SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- Graduate Scholarship, Peking University *2020 - 2022*
- National Scholarship (Top 0.2%), Ministry of Education of the P.R. China *2018, 2017*
- Outstanding Undergraduate Student of the Shenyang City (Top 0.4%) *2018*
- Pacemaker to Outstanding Student (Top 1%), Northeastern University (China) *2018, 2017*
- First-prize Academic Scholarship (Top 10%), Northeastern University *2018, 2017*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- CSE 2331: Foundations II: Data Structures and Algorithms, The Ohio State University *Aug. 2023 - Dec. 2023*
- Introduction to Python and Data Science, Peking University *Feb. 2023 - Jun. 2023*

## SERVICES

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- Conference reviewer: NeurIPS D&B Track 2025, ARR 2025, ARR 2024, ICLR 2024, NeurIPS 2024

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