

# Hanhong Zhao

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## EDUCATION

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**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

*Undergraduate Study*

Sep 2024 - Now

**IIIS, Tsinghua University**

*Pre-College Program*

Sep 2023 - Jun 2024

**The High School Affiliated to Renmin University of China**

*Middle school*

Sep 2018 - Jun 2024

**Selected Coursework at MIT** 6.S978: Deep Generative Models (graduate course), 6.7900: Machine Learning (graduate course), 6.8611: Quantitative Methods for NLP.

## AWARDS

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**Gold Medal**

*53rd International Physics Olympiad*

2023.7

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Is Noise Conditioning Necessary for Denoising Generative Models?**

*Qiao Sun\**, *Zhicheng Jiang\**, *Hanhong Zhao\**, *Kaiming He*

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2502.13129>

## EXPERIENCES

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**Undergraduate Research in Computer Vision**

*Supervised by Professor Kaiming He*

Sep 2024 - Now

Collaborating with Zhicheng Jiang & Qiao Sun, who are also undergraduate students at MIT.

- Gain experiences on image classification using ViT by reproducing the DeiT paper.
- Do experiments on image generation using Diffusion models and Flow Matching models.
- Become familiarized with JAX+TPU platform.

## PROJECTS

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**Speeding Up Diffusion Models with One-step Generators**

*2024.12*

[https://github.com/Hope7Happiness/6s978\\_project](https://github.com/Hope7Happiness/6s978_project)

Project for the course *6.S978: Deep Generative Models* at MIT, completed with teammate Zhicheng Jiang.

- Proposed a new method to speed up the training of diffusion models by using one-step generators (such as VAEs).

- Reduces NFE by half while maintaining the sample quality on the MNIST dataset.

### **Knowledge Database Project**

2024.5

[https://github.com/Hidden-Hyperparameter/LLM\\_project](https://github.com/Hidden-Hyperparameter/LLM_project)

Project for the course *Introduction to Large Language Model Application* at IIS, Tsinghua University, completed in a team of 3.

- Apply Large Language Models to answer user questions based on the knowledge in user-provided documents, and provide sources for the answers.
- Support multiple document type, including PDF, Word, images and videos.
- Build a tagging system to maintain a reasonable speed even with a large number of documents.

## **SKILLS**

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**Programming Languages:** Python, C++

**Tools:** PyTorch, JAX

**Languages:** English (Fluent), Chinese (Native)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### Pre-College Program at IIS, Tsinghua University

Some of my classes taken at the pre-college program at IIS, Tsinghua University is shown below.

Year-Semester	Course Title	Credit	Grade
2023-Autumn	Introduction to Computer Science	3	A+
	Introduction to Programming in C/C++	2	A+
	Calculus A (1)	5	A+
	Linear Algebra	4	A+
	General Physics (2)	4	A+
2023-Spring	Introduction to Computer Systems	4	A+
	Introduction to Large Language Model Application	2	A
	Mathematics for Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence	4	A+
	Calculus A (2)	5	A+
	General Physics (1)	4	A