Sebastian Joseph

Ph.D. in Computer Science

2024 -

College of Natural Sciences, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

• Advisor: Professor Junyi Jessy Li

M.S. and B.S. in Computer Science | Minor in Business

2019 - 2024

College of Natural Sciences, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

- GPA: 3.9/4.0
- Joint M.S. and B.S. through the Five-year Integrated Masters Program

SKILLS -

• Highly Proficient: Python, C, C++, Java

- **Machine Learning:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, HuggingFace, OpenAl API, LLM Prompting, LLM Training
- Data mining: SQL, Pandas, Matplotlib, SciPy
- Web Development: HTML, CSS, Javascript, JQuery, Django, React, Vue
- Other Languages & Skills: Git, Clojure, Go, Rust, CUDA, Bash, MATLAB

PUBLICATIONS -

Journal Articles

- Sebastian Joseph, Lily Chen, Jan Trienes, Hannah Göke, Monika Coers, Wei Xu, Byron Wallace, and Junyi Jessy Li. 2024. FactPICO: Factuality Evaluation for Plain Language Summarization of Medical Evidence. In Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 1: Long Papers) (ACL), pages 8437–8464, Bangkok, Thailand. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- Jan Trienes, Sebastian Joseph, Jörg Schlötterer, Christin Seifert, Kyle Lo, Wei Xu, Byron Wallace, and Junyi Jessy Li. 2024. InfoLossQA: Characterizing and Recovering Information Loss in Text Simplification. In Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 1: Long Papers) (ACL), pages 4263–4294, Bangkok, Thailand. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- Sebastian Joseph, Kathryn Kazanas, Keziah Reina, Vishnesh Ramanathan, Wei Xu, Byron Wallace, and Junyi Jessy Li. 2023. Multilingual Simplification of Medical Texts. In Proceedings of the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), pages 16662–16692, Singapore. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- Chantal Shaib, Millicent Li, Sebastian Joseph, Iain Marshall, Junyi Jessy Li, and Byron Wallace. 2023. Summarizing, Simplifying, and Synthesizing Medical Evidence using GPT-3 (with Varying Success). In Proceedings of the 61st Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 2: Short Papers) (ACL), pages 1387–1407, Toronto, Canada. Association for Computational Linguistics.

Research Assistant

Jan 2022 - Present

The University of Texas at Austin | Austin, TX

• Leading several research projects, many of which involve the supervision of a team of annotators.

• Published research papers in premier conferences for computational linguistics and NLP (ACL, EMNLP).

Shadowing Research Assistant

Nov 2018 - Jun 2019

The University of Texas at Dallas | Richardson, TX

- Created large datasets for the task of classifying useful product reviews.
- Created a rule-based program to analyze sentiment in product reviews using semantic and syntactic relations.

CERTIFICATIONS & AWARDS —

- UT Professional Development Award for Attending EMNLP 2023 (2023)
- 2021 ConocoPhillips Innovation Challenge 4th place
- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) (2019)
- Microsoft Technology Associate in Networking (2019)