

ALINA LEIDINGER

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EDUCATION

- ILLC, University of Amsterdam, NL** 09/21 - 09/25
PhD candidate in NLP
- Topic: Implicit bias and stereotypes in Large Language Models
Advisors: Dr. Katia Shutova & Prof. Dr. Robert van Rooij
- University of Augsburg, DE** 07/20 - 07/21
Research Assistant in HCI, NLP
- Technical University of Munich, DE** 10/16 - 08/19
MSc Mathematics in Data Science High Distinction
- Thesis topic: Mathematical Analysis of Neural Networks, 1.0 (top grade)
- Imperial College London, UK** 10/13 - 07/16
BSc Mathematics First Class Honours
- Thesis topic: Robust Joint and Individual Variance Explained, CVPR 2017

WORK EXPERIENCE

- HuggingFace** 09/23 - 05/24
Research collaboration on [CIVICS](#) dataset
- LMU Munich, CIS** 09/23 - 10/23
Visiting PhD researcher
Host: Prof. Dr. Hinrich Schütze
- BMW** 06/18 - 12/18
Machine Learning Intern
- TUM, Chair of Computer Vision** 07/17 - 09/17
Student research assistant
- MunichRe, MEAG** 07/15 - 08/15
Statistical Modelling Intern

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming** Python (PyTorch, transformers, numpy, pandas, sklearn, matplotlib, seaborn), R
- **Tools** git, slurm, LaTeX

AWARDS & PRIZES

- **Finalist at [UvA 3MT competition](#)** 08/22
Science communication competition for PhD students
- **[ScienceHack](#) at TUM** 12/19
First prize at hackathon for building a CO₂ Counter
- **[Deutschlandstipendium](#)** '17 - '18
Scholarship awarded by German Federal State to < 2% of students
- **[PreDoc programme](#) at TUM** '16 - '18
PhD preparation programme for outstanding mathematics students

PUBLICATIONS

- G. Pistilli*, **A. Leidinger***, Y. Jernite, A. Kasirzadeh, A. Luccioni, M. Mitchell. 2024. [CIVICS: Building a Dataset for Examining Culturally-Informed Values in Large Language Models](#). *Under review*.
- A. Leidinger** and R. Rogers. 2024. How are LLMs mitigating stereotyping harms? Learning from search engine studies. *Under review*.
- I. Solaiman*, Z. Talat*, W. Agnew, L. Ahmad, D. Baker, S. L. Blodgett, C. Chen, H. Daumé III, J. Dodge, I. Duan, E. Evans, F. Friedrich, A. Ghosh, U. Gohar, S. Hooker, Y. Jernite, R. Kalluri, A. Lusoli, **A. Leidinger**, M. Lin, X. Lin, S. Luccioni, J. Mickel, M. Mitchell, J. Newman, A. Ovalle, M.T. Png, S. Singh, A. Strait, L. Struppek, Subramonian, A. (2023). [Evaluating the social impact of generative AI systems in systems and society](#). *Forthcoming in Hacker, Engel, Hammer, Mittelstadt (eds), Oxford Handbook on the Foundations and Regulation of Generative AI. Oxford University Press*.
- A. Leidinger**, R. van Rooij, E. Shutova. 2024. [Are LLMs classical or nonmonotonic reasoners? Lessons from generics](#). *ACL 2024 (main)*
- A. Leidinger**, R. van Rooij, E. Shutova. 2023. [The language of prompting: What linguistic properties make a prompt successful?](#) *Findings of EMNLP 2023*
- G. Starace, K. Papakostas, R. Choenni, A. Panagiotopoulos, M. Rosati, **A. Leidinger**, E. Shutova. 2023. [Probing LLMs for Joint Encoding of Linguistic Categories](#). *Findings of EMNLP 2023*
- A. Leidinger** and R. Rogers. 2023. [Which Stereotypes Are Moderated and Under-Moderated in Search Engine Autocompletion?](#) *ACM FAccT 2023*
- O. van der Wal, D. Bachmann, **A. Leidinger**, L. van Maanden, J. Zuidema, K. Schulz. 2022. [Undesirable biases in NLP: Averting a crisis of measurement](#). *JAIR*
- C. Sagonas, I. Panagakis, **A. Leidinger**, S. Zafeiriou. 2017. [Robust Joint and Individual Variance Explained](#). *CVPR 2017*

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

- Workshop [GenBench](#), collocated with EMNLP 12/23
- Workshop on Ethical AI, [Comète](#) (Inria Polytechnique) 11/23
- Workshop on generative AI and search engines, HAW Hamburg 09/23
- [Interview](#) at Tech Policy Press podcast 08/23
- Invited talk at Civic AI Lab, UvA 02/23
- Flash talk for deans of the faculties of humanities and science, UvA 02/23
- Presentation at ELLIS PhD Symposium, University of Alicante 09/22

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching assistant: Advanced Topics in Computational Semantics *Spring '22, '23, '24*
- Teaching assistant: Natural Language Processing 1 *Fall '22, '23*
- Teaching assistant: Basic Probability: Programming *Fall '21*
- Master thesis supervisor: Debiasing LMs using Influence Functions. *10/22 - 06/23*

SERVICE

- Reviewing: *ACL, ARR
- Co-organiser of [Computational Linguistics Seminar](#) at ILLC *04/22 - ongoing*

LANGUAGES

GERMAN: C2 | ENGLISH: C2 | FRENCH: B2 | ITALIAN: B2 | DUTCH: B1