# Ana Marasović, Curriculum Vitae, October 2022

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## Research Interests

Natural Language Processing, Explainable AI, Multimodality

### EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, University of Utah, School of Computing Young Investigator, Allen Institute for AI

Postdoctoral Research, University of Washington

Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering

July 2022 – present

March 2019 – June 2022

January 2020 – June 2022

# EDUCATION

# Ph.D. in Computational Linguistics, Heidelberg University

2015 - 2019

Honors: Magna cum laude

M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics, University of Zagreb

2013 - 2015

Honors: Summa cum laude

B.Sc. in Mathematics, University of Zagreb

2010 - 2013

# Honors and Awards

- ACL 2020 Best Paper Honorable Mention for "Don't Stop Pretraining: Adapt Language Models to Domains and Tasks"
- Outstanding Reviewer Award at EMNLP 2019 and 2020
- Selected as one of the UC Berkeley EECS 2020 Rising Stars

# INVITED TALKS

# Formalizing Trust in AI May 2022

NSF AI Institute for Research on Trustworthy AI in Weather, Climate, and Coastal Oceanography (AI2ES)

## Self-Explaining for Intuitive Interaction with AI

April 2022
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# On Reducing Human-Authored Free-Text Explanations for Training

December 2021

University College London

Explanation Selection Through The Lens of Free-Text & Contrastive Explanations	
USC Machine Learning Symposium	December 2021
Georgia Tech NLP Seminar	November 2021
University of Sheffield Seminar	November 2021
Purdue University, ECE	November 2021
Contrastive Explanations of NLP Models	November 2021
Keynote at BlackboxNLP: Analyzing and interpreting neural networks for NLP @ EMNLP	
Explaining with Natural Language University of Edinburgh	October 2021
Reflecting on Interpretability Desiderata with Visual Commonsense Reasoning University of Washington, Department of Linguistics Seminar	November 2019
Teaching Machines Language Understanding	April 2019
Allen School Women's Research Day, University of Washington	•
Resolving Abstract Anaphors in Discourse: Uphill Battles with Neural Ranking Models and Automatic Data Extraction	
Allen Institute for AI	October 2018
Keynote at NAACL Workshop on Computational Models of Reference, Anaphora, and Coreference	June 2018
Potsdam University, Applied Computational Linguistics	June 2018
Bochum University, Sprachwissenschaftliches Institut	May 2018
Teaching	
CS 5966/6966: Local Explanations for Deep Learning Models	Fall 2022
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Guest Lectures	
A Quick Tour of NLP Explainability	May 2022
University of Washington, Host: Yulia Tsvetkov	
Detecting Artifacts with Local Explanations	
University of British Columbia, <i>Host</i> : Vered Shwartz	March 2022
University of Washington, Host: Zaid Harchaoui	March 2022
Methods for Analyzing (Current) NLP Models	March 2020
University of Washington, Host: Noah A. Smith	
Mentoring	
AI2 Predoctoral Researchers	
Alexis Ross with Matthew E. Peters	July 2020 – June 2022
AI2 Interns (PhD students)	
Abhilasha Ravichander – Carnegie Mellon University – with Matt Gardner	I 0001 I 0000
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Shruti Palaskar – Carnegie Mellon University	May 2021 – June 2022
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## Co-organizer

SustaiNLP: Workshop on Simple and Efficient Natural Language Processing @ EMNLP 2021

AllenNLP 2021 Hackathon for Minoritized Communities

Host of the NLP Highlights Podcast from 2021-2022

AIPHES Scientfic Workshop 2017

#### Senior Area Chair

EMNLP 2022

#### Monograph Reviewer

Synthesis Lectures in Human Language Technologies: Explainable Natural Language Processing 2021

#### Journal Reviewer

TACL 2017 (secondary reviewer), 2021

#### Conference Reviewer

EMNLP 2018, 2019 (outstanding reviewer), 2020 (outstanding reviewer), 2021

ACL 2017 (secondary reviewer), 2019, 2020, 2021

**EACL 2021** 

ICML 2020

**AAAI 2020** 

## Workshop Reviewer

Representation Learning for NLP (Repl4NLP) @ ACL 2018, ACL 2019

Deep Learning Approaches for Low-Resource Natural Language Processing (DeepLo) @ EMNLP 2019

Learning from Limited Labeled Data (LLD) Workshop @ ICLR 2019

Evaluation and Comparison of NLP Systems (EvalNLP) @ EMNLP 2020

Insights from Negative Results in NLP @ EMNLP 2020

Computational Approaches to Discourse (CODI) @ EMNLP 2020

Domain Adaptation for NLP (Adapt-NLP) @ EACL 2021

## Panelist

Panelist at "Performance and Interpretability Evaluations of Multimodal, Multipurpose, Massive-Scale Models" COLING 2022 Workshop

Panelist after the movie After Yang that is screened as a part of the STEM Education Film Series organized by Park City Film

Panelist at ACL Mentorship: "Building NLP datasets" in 2022

Panelist at SoCal ML & NLP Symposium 2021 (Networking and career paths for under-represented minorities)

Panelist at undergraduate panel session @ ACL 2020

## Moderator at Conferences

Moderator of a meetup on "Interpretability" @ ACL 2021

Moderator of a meetup on "Whether to do a PhD; and how to apply for and choose a PhD program" @ EMNLP 2020

Moderator of a meetup on "Interpretability and Analysis of Models for NLP" at EMNLP 2020

Moderator of a roundtable on "Natural Language Generation" at WiNLP @ ACL 2020

#### Mentoring at Conferences

Mentor at WiNLP @ ACL 2020

"Big sibling" at EMNLP 2019, NAACL 2019

### Other Community Service

Co-Lead of the AI2 Employee Resource Group (ERG) for Women and Gender Minorities in 2022

Member of the AI2 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee in 2020 and 2021

Reader of 2020 PhD applications at the University of Washington

# **Preprints**

- Jack Hessel, **Ana Marasović**, Jena D. Hwang, Lillian Lee, Jeff Da, Rowan Zellers, Robert Mankoff, and Yejin Choi. *On Advances in Text Generation from Images Beyond Captioning: A Case Study in Self-Rationalization*. arXiv 2022.
- Shruti Palaskar, Akshita Bhagia, Yonatan Bisk, Florian Metze, Alan W Black, and **Ana Marasović**. On Advances in Text Generation from Images Beyond Captioning: A Case Study in Self-Rationalization. arXiv 2022.

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Ana Marasović\*, Iz Beltagy\*, Doug Downey, and Matthew E. Peters. Few-Shot Self-Rationalization with Natural Language Prompts. Findings of NAACL 2022. \*Equal contributions.
- Sarah Wiegreffe\* and **Ana Marasović**\*. Teach Me to Explain: A Review of Datasets for Explainable NLP. NeurIPS 2021. \*Equal contributions.
- Sarah Wiegreffe, Ana Marasović, and Noah A. Smith. Measuring Association Between Labels and Free-Text Rationales. EMNLP 2021.
- Jesse Dodge, Maarten Sap, Ana Marasović, William Agnew, Gabriel Ilharco, Dirk Groeneveld, Margaret Mitchell, and Matt Gardner. Documenting Large Webtext Corpora: A Case Study on the Colossal Clean Crawled Corpus. EMNLP 2021.
- Kaiser Sun and Ana Marasović. Effective Attention Sheds Light On Interpretability. Findings of ACL 2021.
- Alexis Ross, **Ana Marasović**, and Matthew E. Peters. *Explaining NLP Models via Minimal Contrastive Editing* (MiCE). Findings of ACL 2021.
- Alexander M. Hoyle, **Ana Marasović**, and Noah A. Smith. *Promoting Graph Awareness in Linearized Graph-to-Text Generation*. Findings of ACL 2021.
- Alon Jacovi, **Ana Marasović**, Tim Miller, and Yoav Godlberg. Formalizing Trust in Artificial Intelligence: Prerequisites. Causes and Goals of Human Trust in AI. ACM FAccT 2021.
- Ana Marasović, Chandra Bhagavatula, Jae sung Park, Ronan Le Bras, Noah A. Smith, and Yejin Choi. Natural Language Rationales with Full-Stack Visual Reasoning: From Pixels to Semantic Frames to Commonsense Graphs. Findings of EMNLP 2020.
- Qiang Ning, Hao Wu, Pradeep Dasigi, Dheeru Dua, Matt Gardner, Robert L. Logan IV, Ana Marasović, and Zhen Nie. Easy, Reproducible and Quality-Controlled Data Collection with CrowdAQ. EMNLP Demo 2020.
- Suchin Gururangan, **Ana Marasović**, Swabha Swayamdipta, Kyle Lo, Iz Beltagy, Doug Downey, and Noah A. Smith. Don't Stop Pretraining: Adapt Language Models to Domains and Tasks. ACL 2020. (Received an Honorable Mention for Best Paper)
- Pradeep Dasigi, Nelson F. Liu, **Ana Marasović**, Noah A. Smith, and Matt Gardner. *Quoref: A Reading Comprehension Dataset with Questions Requiring Coreferential Reasoning*. EMNLP 2019.
- Ana Marasović and Anette Frank. SRL4ORL: Improving Opinion Role Labeling Using Multi-Task Learning with Semantic Role Labeling. NAACL 2018.
- Markus Zopf, Teresa Botschen, Tobias Falke, Benjamin Heinzerling, Ana Marasović, Todor Mihaylov, S. Avinesh P.V., Eneldo Loza Mencía, J. Fürnkranz, and A. Frank. What's Important in a Text? An Extensive Evaluation of Linguistic Annotations for Summarization. SNAMS 2018.
- Ana Marasović, Leo Born, Juri Opitz, and Anette Frank. A Mention-Ranking Model for Abstract Anaphora Resolution. EMNLP 2017.

- Ana Marasović, Mengfei Zhou, Alexis Palmer, and Anette Frank. Modal Sense Classification At Large: Paraphrase-Driven Sense Projection, Semantically Enriched Classification Models and Cross-Genre Evaluations.

  Linguistic Issues in Language Technology (LiLT) Modality: Logic, Semantics, Annotation, and Machine Learning 14 (3). 2016.
- Ana Marasović and Anette Frank. Multilingual Modal Sense Classification using a Convolutional Neural Network. Workshop on Representation Learning for NLP (Repl4NLP) 2016.

# **Blog Posts**

- Ana Marasović. NLP's Generalization Problem, and How Researchers Are Tackling It. The Gradient 2018.
- Ana Marasović. BERT-base Transformer Forward Pass. Available at https://www.anamarasovic.com/bert-forward/.

# OPEN-SOURCE SOFTWARE AND DATASETS

- Few-Shot Self-Rationalization with Natural Language Prompts https://github.com/allenai/feb
- Natural Language Rationales with Full-Stack Visual Reasoning: From Pixels to Semantic Frames to Commonsense Graphs https://github.com/allenai/visual-reasoning-rationalization
- Don't Stop Pretraining: Adapt Language Models to Domains and Tasks Contributor

https://github.com/allenai/dont-stop-pretraining

Quoref Dataset

Contributor

https://allenai.org/data/quoref

- SRL4ORL: Improving Opinion Role Labeling Using Multi-Task Learning With Semantic Role Labeling https://github.com/amarasovic/naacl-mpqa-srl4orl
- A Mention-Ranking Model for Abstract Anaphora Resolution

https://github.com/amarasovic/neural-abstract-anaphora

https://github.com/amarasovic/abstract-anaphora-data

• Multilingual Modal Sense Classification using a Convolutional Neural Network

https://github.com/amarasovic/modal-sense-classification Dataset: http://projects.cl.uni-heidelberg.de/modals/

• Matplotlib Examples for Visualizing Paper Results

https://github.com/amarasovic/matplotlib4papers

## References

- Noah A. Smith, nasmith@cs.washington.edu
- · Yejin Choi, yejin@cs.washington.edu
- Anette Frank, frank@cl.uni-heidelberg.de
- Doug Downey, dougd@allenai.org