# Ana Tudor

# Curriculum Vitae

# Research Interests and Objectives

- Online social networks and information dispersal
- ML model bias and application ethics
- Computing for social science and education
- Recommendation systems
- Semantic data modeling

## Education

2021–2022 Master of Science, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, U.C. Berkeley.

Thesis: Computational Methods for Assessing and Improving Quality of Study Group Formation, 2022

GPA: 3.809

2017–2021 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, U.C. Berkeley.

GPA: 3.678, Honors in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Minor in Data Science

## **Publications**

#### **Articles**

2024 Hayden Freedman, Jacob Metzger, Neda Abolhassani, Ana Tudor, Bill Tomlinson, and Sanjoy Paul. A bayesian approach to constructing probabilistic models from knowledge graphs. *International Journal of Semantic Computing*, volume 18, 2024.

## In Conference Proceedings

- 2023 Sumer Kohli, Neelesh Ramachandran, Ana Tudor, Gloria Tumushabe, Olivia Hsu, and Gireeja Ranade. Inclusive study group formation at scale. In *Proceedings of the 54th ACM Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education V. 1*, pages 11–17, 2023.
- 2023 Neda Abolhassani, Ana Tudor, and Sanjoy Paul. A data mesh adaptable oil and gas ontology based on open subsurface data universe (osdu). In *KEOD 2023- International Conference on Knowledge Engineering and Ontology Development*, pages 29–39, 2023.
- 2020 Wim Lavrijsen, Ana Tudor, Juliane Müller, Costin Iancu, and Wibe de Jong. Classical optimizers for noisy intermediate-scale quantum devices. In 2020 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Computing and Engineering (QCE), pages 267–277. IEEE, 2020.
- 2020 Marc G Davis, Ethan Smith, Ana Tudor, Koushik Sen, Irfan Siddiqi, and Costin Iancu. Towards optimal topology aware quantum circuit synthesis. In *2020 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Computing and Engineering (QCE)*, pages 223–234. IEEE, 2020.
- 2019 Wim Lavrijsen, Ana Tudor, Jeffrey Larson, et al. Skquant-opt: Optimizers for noisy intermediate-scale quantum devices. In APS March 2019 Meeting Abstracts, volume 2019, pages F27–010, 2019.
- 2019 Marc Grau Davis, Ethan Smith, Ana Tudor, Koushik Sen, Irfan Siddiqi, and Costin Iancu. Heuristics for quantum compiling with a continuous gate set. In *3rd International Workshop on Quantum Compilation as part of the International Conference On Computer Aided Design*, 2019.

#### Patents

2022 **US Patent 20220351133-A1**, "Modeling Dynamic Material Flow in Generative Design Using Topological Maps", Nov. 3, 2022.

Inventors: Akiona, Nicholas (Saratoga, CA), Zhu, Haitao (Compton, CA), Tang, Eric (Cupertino, CA), Tudor, Ana (Belmont, CA)

# Research Experience

#### Accenture Center for Advanced AI, Foundation Models

- Jan 2024 **AI/ML Computational Science Associate Manager**, *Applied LLM R&D*, Developing POC present techniques combining LLM, classical NLP, data science, and Knowledge Graph technologies.
  - Collaboration with Dr. Wei Wei's team developing a scalable service for text and information extraction from multimodal document data, combining LLM methods and traditional ML.
  - Created a POC tool for the automated intake of unstructured text data to RDF graphs, employing NLP, LLM, and RAG techniques for entity recognition, entity linking, and relationship extraction tasks. Over 94% accuracy achieved in each task.
  - Developed analytics dashboards for large-scale telecommunications customer sentiment analysis.
  - Advisor: <u>Dr. Neda Abolhassani</u>, Technology R&D Sr. Principal, Center for Advanced AI, Global Incubation, Accenture

#### Accenture Labs, Systems and Platforms Team

- Nov 2022 Technology R&D Specialist, Knowledge Graph Applied Machine Learning.
  - Dec 2023 Designed machine learning and automation-based approaches for leveraging Knowledge Graph technologies.

    Developed LLM and Deep RL methods for enhancing link prediction of RDF Graph ontologies to existing open-web ontologies.
    - Automated ontology formation for the OSDU database, with resulting paper accepted to KEOD 2023. Code available at github.com/Accenture/OSDU-Ontology
    - Advisor : Dr. Sanjoy Paul, Director of the Al Houston Institute, Lecturer in Computer Science, Rice University

## University of California, Berkeley

- Aug 2021 **Graduate Student Researcher**, *Machine Learning Methods for Study Group Formation and* May 2022 *Evaluation*.
  - Designed, deployed, and assessed an Actor-Critic RL model with Deep Clustering Policy Iteration, to improve the formation of study groups in large-scale classrooms. This included an Autoencoder model that I trained and evaluated for capturing student demographic profiles and matching preferences, with 97.4% accuracy at student vector reconstruction. Code available at github.com/ana-tudor/groups\_rl.
  - Devised an educational survey instrument to measure student-perceived satisfaction with study groups, as it impacts their personal evaluation of social and academic outcomes.
  - Thesis, Master of Science: Computational Methods for Assessing and Improving Quality of Study Group Formation
  - Advisor : <u>Dr. Gireeja Ranade</u>, Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, U.C. Berkeley
- Jan 2021 **Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program: Student Assistant**, Subjective Knowledge May 2021 Base Modeling.
  - Worked towards improving a subjective knowledge base model which aims to represent perspective differences in word embedding relations.
  - Created evaluation datasets demonstrating distinct authorial semantics and perspectives, comprised of 1950s newspaper articles around the topic of civil rights, and analyzed results of the model's performance in classifying this dataset.
  - Improved embeddings model, with relation prediction accuracy increase up to 2%.
- Advisor: <u>Dr. David Bamman</u>, Associate Professor, School of Information, U.C. Berkeley
- Sept 2019 **Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program: Student Assistant**, *Data Intensive* Dec 2019 Development Lab.
  - Worked with PI Niall Keleher and Dr. Joshua Blumenstock to research the impact of cell service availability on socioeconomic factors of communities, focusing on an experiment in partnership with University of the Philippines.
  - Performed interpolation of cell signal over geographic location and modeled correlations between key indicators of household poverty and status.
  - Advisor: Dr. Joshua Blumenstock, Chancellor's Associate Professor, School of Information, U.C. Berkeley

#### Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

- May 2018 Student assistant, Quantum circuit synthesis methods development.
  - Aug 2019 Contributed to the testing of a synthesizer aiming to compile arbitrary quantum unitary gates to a sequence of native QPU commands.

    - Tested and compared classical optimization algorithms specific to error mitigation in quantum circuits, documenting for researcher use within the quantum devices sphere.
  - Advisor: Dr. Wim Lavrijsen, Computer Systems Engineer, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

# Teaching Positions - U.C. Berkeley

#### Spring, 2021: EECS 16B: Designing Information Devices and Systems II, Head Teacher Assistant.

- Managed logistics and policy communications for a course of 1200 students.
- Co-administered course logistics and communications for a class of 1200 students.

Led a long-format discussion section once per week, to meet student needs for in-depth content review.

- Helped lead course staff meetings, and discussion and lab section scheduling.
- Organized and communicated policy and content resources for students, to ensure accessibility.
- Regularly incorporated staff/student feedback to improve course policies, for example by organizing weekly resources posts and introducing extra exam review sessions.
- Helped administer, proctor, and grade exams.

#### Fall, 2020: Data 100: Principles and Techniques of Data Science, Discussion Teaching Assistant.

- Lead a discussion and a lab section per week.
- Contributed to content design for exam content and course discussion sections.
- Assisted in answering student content and logistics questions during office hours.

#### Fall, 2020: CS 189: Introduction to Machine Learning, Reader and Office Hours Assistant.

- Aided in weekly discussion section administration, and leading 2 sections over the course of the semester.
- Combined student feedback and personal suggestions, to enact changes in discussion sections that improved the quality and accessibility of learning.
- Assisted in question-answering during lecture, facilitating remote learning as much as possible.
- Assisted in proctoring and grading exams.

#### Spring, 2020: **EECS 127: Optimization Models in Engineering**, *Reader*.

- Graded homework assignments and exams, and provided feedback on content difficulty and wording.
- Assisted in answering student content questions during office hours.

# Academic Achievements & Recognitions

- 2022 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, for work in Spring 2021 as Head TA for EECS 16B, U.C. Berkeley
- 2021 B.S. with Honors Distinction in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, U.C. Berkeley

# Positions of Responsibility

- Aug 2017- Berkeley ANOVA, Vice President of Sites, U.C. Berkeley.
- May 2021 Managed logistics and communications for college-student-led extracurricular CS courses at ten middle and high school sites in the Oakland/Berkeley area. Added four middle school sites to our program.
- May 2019 University of California Women's Chorale (UCWC), Web Manager.
  - Aug 2020 Redesigned and maintained the UCWC website.

## References

## Dr. Gireeja Ranade

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## Dr. Sanjoy Paul