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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Efficient and Trustworthy Learning Algorithms

Graz, Austria

Graz University of Technology, Institute of Machine Learning and Neural Computation

09-2025 - Present

• Selected for a PhD position at TU Graz under the supervision of Ozan Özdenizci within the Bilateral AI project.

M.S. in Artificial Intelligence

A Coruña, Spain

University of A Coruña, Faculty in Computer Science

09-2023 - 03-2025

• Honor distinction in the Master's Thesis: Graph Parsing as Sequence Labeling (to appear at RUC, temporally at •).

B.S. in Data Science and Engineering

A Coruña, Spain

University of A Coruña, Faculty in Computer Science

09-2019 - 07-2023

Best Academic Record (Top 1 out of 67).

• Honor distinction in the Bachelor's Thesis: Fully incremental parsing based on neural networks.

EXPERIENCE

Research EngineerA Coruña, Spain

University of A Coruña, LyS Group

07/2023 - 09/2025 (full-time, on-site)

Novel algorithms for graph and tree parsing and deep learning architectures for structured NLP tasks. Enhanced multimodal alignment for multimodal systems. Currently working on efficient methods for DL architectures.

Data Scientist (Internship)

A Coruña, Spain

ABANCA, Venancio Salcines Foundation

02/2023 - 09/2023 (part-time, on-site)

Advanced Statistical models and ML techniques (supervised and unsupervised) to predict commercial activities in the customer intelligence area. Implementation of full data pipelines to extract and preprocess large datasets.

ML Engineer (Internship)

A Coruña, Spain

Galician Institute in Technology

09/2022 - 10/2022 (part-time, hybrid)

Fine-tuning and evaluation of NLP and ASR models to design a mental healthcare chatbot with text and audio support.

Research Assistant A Coruña, Spain

University of A Coruña, Santander Bank

⋄ 09/2021 − 04/2022 (full-time, on-site)

Research collaboration with the MODES Group in the Department of Mathematics. Development of a new method for automatic covariates selection in dynamic regression models (ARIMAX) for time series analysis.

Research Assistant A Coruña, Spain

Centre for Information and Communications Technology Research (CITIC)

𝚱 07/2021 − 09/2021 (full-time, on-site)

Analysis and comparison of statistical models against ML techniques in COVID-19 data to predict UCI admission in patients.

Honors

2025Spanish Doctoral Research GrantMinistry of Universities, Spain2025Galician Doctoral Research GrantGalician Regional Government2024Master's Award for the Best Academic AccessUniversity of A Coruña, Santander Bank

2024 Department Collaboration Scholarship

2024 Outstanding Degree Award2024 Outstanding Degree Award

2023 Bachelor Fellowship by the University Chair "Cátedra CICAS"

2023 Awards for Academic Excellence in Bachelor's Degrees 2021-22

2022 Awards for Academic Excellence in Bachelor's Degrees 2020-21

2022 Department Collaboration Scholarship 2019 Top Academic Records in Galicia for University Access

Ministry of Education of Spain
Galician Regional Government
University of A Coruña
FUAC, Corunet by Sngular
Galician Regional Government
Galician Regional Government
University of A Coruña, Santander Bank
Galician Regional Government

RESEARCH.

2025 Ana Ezquerro, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez, David Vilares. *Hierarchical Bracketing Encodings Work for Dependency Graphs (to appear)*. In the 2025 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2025).

- 2025 Ana Ezquerro, David Vilares, Anssi Yli-Jyrä, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez. *Hierarchical Bracketing Encodings for Dependency Parsing as Tagging*. In the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2025).
- 2025 Adrián Gude, Roi Santos-Ríos, Francisco Prado-Valiño, Ana Ezquerro, Jesús Vilares. *LyS at SemEval 2025 Task 8: Zero-Shot Code Generation for Tabular QA.* In the 19th International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation (SemEval 2025) co-located with the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2025).
- 2025 Ana Ezquerro, David Vilares, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez. Better Benchmarking LLMs for Zero-Shot Dependency Parsing. In the Joint 25th Nordic Conference on Computational Linguistics and 11th Baltic Conference on Human Language Technologies (NoDaLiDa/Baltic-HLT 2025).
- **2024** Ana Ezquerro, David Vilares, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez. *Dependency Graph Parsing as Sequence Labeling*. In the 2024 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2024).
- 2024 Ana Ezquerro, David Vilares. *LyS at SemEval 2024 Task 3. An Early Prototype for End-to-End Multimodal Emotion Linking as Graph-Based Parsing.* In the 18th International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation co-located with the 2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NACL 2024).
- **2024** Ana Ezquerro, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez, David Vilares. *From Partial to Strictly Incremental Constituent Parsing*. In the 18th Conference of the European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL 2024).
- **2023** Ana Ezquerro, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez, David Vilares. *On the Challenges of Fully Incremental Neural Dependency Parsing*. In the 13th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing and the 3rd Conference of the Asia-Pacific Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (IJCNLP-AACL 2023).
- 2023 Ana Ezquerro, Brais Cancela, Ana López-Cheda. *On the Reliability of Machine Learning Models for Survival Analysis When Cure Is a Possibility*. In Mathematics 2023, Vol. 11, Nonparametric Statistical Methods and their Applications.
- 2022 Ana Ezquerro, Germán Aneiros, Manuel Oviedo. *New covariates selection method in dynamic regression models with a public implementation in R language*. In the IX Galician R Users Conference organized by MeLiSA and AMTEGA.
- 2022 Ana Ezquerro, Germán Aneiros, Manuel Oviedo. Automatic covariates selection in dynamic regression models with application to COVID-19 evolution. In The 5th XoveTIC Conference (XoveTIC 2022) organized by the Centre for ICT Research with the University of A Coruña.

SKILLS

Programming Python, Java, Matlab, Git, Julia, R, SQL

Software Git, Docker, PowerBI, Tableau, LaTeX
Languages Spanish (native), Galician (IV), English (C1)

COURSES

• Lisbon Machine Learning School 2024 (LxMLS 2024).

VOLUNTEERING

- Compensation Board Member at the Faculty in Computer Science (University of A Coruña) from 2020 to 2023.
- Active member at the Student Board of the Faculty in Computer Science (University of A Coruña) since 2021.
- Member at the Master in Artificial Intelligence Committee of University of A Coruña from 2023 to 2025.
- Member at the XII Evaluation Committee of UTC's Docentia Program from 2023 to 2025.