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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research goal is to build natural language processing systems that can reason in an efficient, robust, and interpretable manner.

Major Interests: Reasoning and Decision-making, Robustness, Compositional Learning, Prompt-based Learning.

Other Interests: Self-Supervised Learning, Explainability, Robustness.

Present | The University of North Carolina, CHAPEL HILL, USA

#### **EDUCATION**

Aug 2021	Ph.D. in Computer Science   Advisor: Mohit Bansal Concentration: Natural Language Processing
May 2021 August 2016	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, MAHARASHTRA, India Bachelor + Master of Technology, Major: Electrical Engineering   GPA: 9.66/10 Minor: Computer Science and Engineering
Experience	Millor. Computer Science and Engineering
Present Aug 2021	<ul> <li>UNC-NLP Research Group, UNC CHAPEL HILL, US         Research Assistant   Advisor: Mohit Bansal         Working on prompt-based learning methods with large language and multimodal models         Working on consistency and reasoning with language models     </li> </ul>
Aug 2023 May 2023	Allen Institute of Artificial Intelligence (AI2), SEATTLE, US  Research Intern, Aristo   Advisors: Tushar Khot, Ashish Sabharwal  > Working on a flexible, hierarchical, and dynamic decomposition framework for reasoning with LLMs
Aug 2022 May 2022	Adobe Research, SAN JOSE (REMOTE), US  Research Scientist Intern (NLP)   Advisors: Trung Bui, David Yoon, Franck Dernoncourt  > Developed a challenging benchmark on extracting question-answer pairs from meeting transcripts
May 2021 Aug 2019	Computational Speech And Language Technologies (CSALT) Lab, IIT BOMBAY, India  Research Assistant   Advisor: Preethi Jyothi  Intermediate-task training for natural language understanding tasks in code-switched languages  Probing accent information in black-box end-to-end automatic speech recognition systems  Joint noise and accent robustness in automatic speech recognition systems
Jan 2021 Jan 2020	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, MAHARASHTRA, India  Research Assistant   Advisor: Sharayu Moharir  > Worked on designing scheduling policies using multi-armed bandits
Jul 2019 May 2019	Adobe Research, BANGALORE, India Research Intern   Advisor: Shiv Kumar Saini > Worked on time-series forecasting in low/zero-data settings using memory-augmented networks

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**2024** Han Wang\*, **Archiki Prasad**\*, Elias Stengel-Eskin\*, Mohit Bansal "Soft Self-Consistency Improves Language Model Agents" Arxiv Preprint [PDF]

**2024** Elias Stengel-Eskin\*, **Archiki Prasad**\*, Mohit Bansal "REGAL: *Refactoring Programs to Discover Generalizable Abstractions*" Arxiv Preprint [PDF]

**2024 Archiki Prasad**, Elias Stengel-Eskin, Mohit Bansal *"Rephrase, Augment, Reason: Visual Grounding of Questions for Vision-Language Models"* In Proceedings of the twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2024) [PDF]

**2023** Archiki Prasad, Alexander Koller, Mareike Hartmann, Peter Clark, Ashish Sabharwal, Mohit Bansal, Tushar Khot "ADAPT: As-Needed Decomposition and Planning with Language Models" Arxiv Preprint [PDF]

**2023** Archiki Prasad, Swarnadeep Saha, Xiang Zhou, Mohit Bansal "RECEVAL: Evaluating Reasoning Chains via Correctness and Informativeness" In Proceedings of Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2023) [PDF]

**2023 Archiki Prasad**, Trung Bui, Seunghyun Yoon, Hanieh Deilamsalehy, Franck Dernoncourt, Mohit Bansal "MeetingQA: *Extractive Question-Answering on Meeting Transcripts*" In Proceedings of the 2023 Annual Conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics (**ACL 2023**) [PDF]

**2023** Archiki Prasad, Peter Hase, Xiang Zhou, Mohit Bansal "GRIPS: *Gradient-free, Edit-based Instruction Search for Prompting Large Language Models*" In Proceedings of the 17th Conference of the European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL 2023) [PDF]

**2021** Archiki Prasad\*, Mohammad Ali Rehan\*, Shreya Pathak\*, Preethi Jyothi *"The Effectiveness of Intermediate-Task Training for Code-Switched Natural Language Understanding"* In Proceedings of the 2021 Workshop on Multilingual Representation Learning (MRL 2021) at EMNLP 2021 [PDF] (Best Paper Honorable Mention)

**2021 Archiki Prasad**, Preethi Jyothi, Rajbabu Velmurugan *"An Investigation of End-to-End Models for Robust Speech Recognition"* In Proceedings of the 2021 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing **(ICASSP 2021)** [PDF]

**2021** Archiki Prasad, Vishal Jain, Sharayu Moharir "Decentralized Age-of-Information Bandits" In Proceedings of the 2021 IEEE Wireless Communications and Networking Conference (WCNC 2021) [PDF]

**2020 Archiki Prasad**, Preethi Jyothi "How Accents Confound: Probing for Accent Information in End-to-End Speech Recognition Systems" In Proceedings of the 2020 Annual Conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2020) [PDF]

**2020** Ayush Chauhan, **Archiki Prasad**, Parth Gupta, Amiredddy Prashanth Reddy, Shiv Kumar Saini *"Time Series Forecasting for Cold-Start Items by Learning from Related Items using Memory Networks"* In Companion Proceedings of the Web Conference 2020 **(WWW 2020)** [PDF]

# **PATENTS**

**2022** Ayush Chauhan, Shiv Kumar Saini, Parth Gupta, **Archiki Prasad**, Amireddy Prashanth Reddy, and Ritwick Chaudhry "Keyvalue memory network for predicting time-series metrics of target entities" US Patent and Trademarks Office 2022 | Adobe Inc. [US11501107]

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- > IIT Bombay Institute Academic Prize for outstanding performance in the academic year 2019-20
- > Amongst top 1.2% of all selected candidates (200,000) JEE-Advance 2016 and amongst top 0.1% of all candidates in JEE-Mains 2016.
- > Google participation award for MRL 2021.
- > Advanced Performer's grade (about top 1% of class) in Linear Algebra and Economics

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

#### Conference Reviewer

- > EMNLP 2021-2023
- > ACL 2022-2023 (ACL Rolling Review)
- > NAACL 2022 (ACL Rolling Review)

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

\* = Graduate Level Courses

Mathematics: Linear Algebra\*, Real Analysis, Complex Analysis, Multivariate Calculus, Differential Equations

Computer Science: Computer Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms, Operating Systems, Computer Organization, Digital Logic Machine Learning: Machine Learning\*, Structured Prediction\*, Language & Learning\*, Large Language Models\*, Connecting Language to Vision & Robotics\*, Information Theory & Coding\*, Automatic Speech Recognition\*, Natural Language Processing, Digital Image Processing Probability and Statistics: Probability and Random Processes, Data Analysis and Interpretation, Concentration Inequalities\*

#### SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** C/C++, Python, R, bash

SW/ Tools: MATLAB, Scilab, Git, Docker, TEX, Arduino, Quartus

ML Libraries: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, NumPy, OpenCV, Pandas, Scikit Learn

#### REFERENCES

- > Mohit Bansal, John R. Louise S. Parker Professor of CS, UNC Chapel Hill.
- > Tushar Khot, Research Scientist, Allen Institute of Artificial Intelligence, Seattle.
- > Ashish Sabharwal, Senior Research Scientist, Allen Institute of Artificial Intelligence, Seattle.
- > Trung Bui, Senior Research Scientist, Adobe Research, San Jose
- > Franck Dernoncourt, NLP Researcher, Adobe Research, Seattle
- > Preethi Jyothi, Associate Professor of CS, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay