

# Andrés Cabero Busto

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## **Skills**

Data Science, Al & ML Pandas, Plotly, Matplotlib, SQL, SLURM, W&B, PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, HuggingFace, Captum

NLP LangChain, SpaCy, NLTK

**Programming** Python, Rust, JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, LaTeX

**Languages** Spanish, English, Italian, German **Other** Docker, Linux, NixOS, Nix, Bash, CLI, Git

## **Experience**

Sony Research Stuttgart, Germany

MASTER THESIS STUDENT Apr. 2023 - Oct. 2023

- Performed domain-adaptation on an open-source, self-supervised (SSL) speech recognition model.
- Applied regularization-based and replay-based continual learning methods to avoid incurring into catastrophic forgetting on the old Librispeech ASR task.

Sony Research Stuttgart, Germany

WORKING STUDENT

Jul. 2022 - Mar. 2023

- Developed a natural language grammar based on weighted finite-state transducers (WFSTs) and the Thrax framework, similar to NVIDIA NeMo
  grammars, that enabled a 10% WER improvement for the pre-existing Italian ASR system.
- · Time-aligned and transcribed speech utterances using Label Studio for use in text-to-speech (TTS) model training.

University of Stuttgart Stuttgart, Germany

PYTHON DEVELOPER

Jul. 2022 - Dec. 2022

Developed the core of a toolkit for academic NLP research in lexical semantic change detection (LSCD), openly available at https://github.com/ChangeIsKey/LSCDBenchmark

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LINUX SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR

Jul. 2022 - Mar. 2022

· Administration and maintenance of Linux servers and users.

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Data Annotator

Nov. 2021 - Jan. 2022

- Data annotator for the first Shared Task of Lexical Semantic Change Discovery in Spanish (https://fdzr.github.io/lscdiscovery/). The process involved annotating the degree of difference between uses of the same word based on the surrounding context, using a Likert scale.
- Identified some problems in the annotation platform, and developed a small JavaScript solution to help my teammates and I work more efficiently.

# **Projects**

### Model Compression using Explainable AI (XAI)

Stuttgart, Germany

INSTITUT FÜR MASCHINELLE SPRACHVERARBEITUNG (UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART)

- Compressed a Bi-LSTM trained for a speech emotion recognition task.
- Using XAI methods, we realized that more than half of the input features were completely irrelevant, thus allowing us to reduce the number of parameters of the network.
- · Because we were able to reduce the parameters in this way, this also allowed us to experiment with other hyperparameters more efficiently.
- The final model preserved the exact same accuracy of the original model, but with more than half of its parameters.



#### M.Sc. Computational Linguistics

Apr. 2021 - Oct. 2023

INSTITUT FÜR MASCHINELLE SPRACHVERARBEITUNG (UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART)

Stuttgart, Germany

• Achieved an in-depth understanding of modern deep learning (DL) and natural language processing (NLP) techniques.

B.A. Linguistics Sept. 2016 - Dec. 2020

University of Cádiz

Cádiz, Spain

 Took several courses related to programming, natural language processing (NLP) and computer science (CS), achieving honors in several of them.

## **Certifications**

**Probability & Statistics** 

PyTorch For Deep Learning

HTTPS://www.udemy.com/certificate/UC-c8142260-a945-4f41-91f5-d213671b8493/

Apr. 2022 Online

**Mathematics For Machine Learning** 

Mar. 2022

HTTPS://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/specialization/certificate/DJPXWT9X9KVS

Online

**Neural Networks and Deep Learning** 

Dec. 2021 Online

HTTPS://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/certificate/JXLQNFEH3H9S

Linear Algebra
https://www.udemy.com/certificate/UC-0D00a3f9-2a0c-4881-a50e-4341fa30b055/

Mar. 2020 Online

Mar. 2020

HTTPS://www.udemy.com/certificate/UC-BHG909SJ/

Online