# **EDWARD HU**

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### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Microsoft Research AI,

Sept 2019 - Aug 2020

Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA

AI Resident

- Accelerate hyperparameter tuning for extremely large models by orders of magnitude, and identify scaling factors that improve training stabilty using infinite-width neural network theories
- Conduct large-scale experiments with distributed and mixed-precision training
- Improve the state-of-the art attacks under the Wasserstein threat model, and collaborate in a unified theory for randomized smoothing, a type of certified adversarial defenses

# Center for Language and Speech Processing,

<u>Jan 2018 – Aug 2019</u>

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Research Assistant

- Conducted research in monolingual paraphrastic bitext generation and monolingual rewriting, for applications including data augmentation and plagiarism detection
- Built the a large paraphrase dataset with more than 4 billion generated tokens
- Developed an lexically-constrained decoding algorithm 5 times more efficient than the best prior approach while being more accurate
- Implemented AWS Sockeye features including improved lexically-constrained decoding and decoding by sampling
- Recasted over 1,700 text-hypothesis pairs using VerbNet lexicon to gain insights into natural language inference models

#### **EDUCATION**

# Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Class of 2019

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Cognitive Science

- Cumulative GPA: 3.96/4.00
- Departmental Honors in Comp. Sci., Cog. Sci.
- Member of Upsilon Pi Epsilon, Omega Psi

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

• Improved Image Wasserstein Attacks and Defenses (Best Paper Award)

J. Edward Hu, Adith Swaminathan, Hadi Salman, Greg Yang ICLR 2020 Workshop

• Randomized Smoothing of All Shapes and Sizes (Long)

G. Yang, T. Duan, *J. Edward Hu*, H. Salman, I. Razenshteyn, J. Li <u>ICML 2020</u>

Guided Generation of Cause and Effect (Long)

Z. Li, X. Ding, T. Liu, <u>J. Edward Hu</u>, B. Van Durme <u>IJCAI 2020</u>

Large-scale, Diverse, Paraphrastic Bitexts via Sampling and Clustering (Long/Oral)

<u>J. Edward Hu</u>, A. Singh, N. Holzenberger, M. Post, B. Van Durme <u>CoNLL 2019</u>

Improved Lexically-Constrained Decoding for Translation and Monolingual

**Rewriting** (Long/Poster) NAACL 2019

J. Edward. Hu, H. Khayrallah, R. Culkin, P. Xia, T. Chen, M. Post, B. Van Durme

ParaBank: Monolingual Bitext Generation and Sentential Paraphrasing via

Lexically-constrained Neural Machine Translation (Long/Oral)

J. Edward Hu, Rachel Rudinger, Matt Post, Benjamin Van Durme

AAAI 2019

 Towards a Unified Natural Language Inference Framework to Evaluate Sentence Representations (Long/Oral)

A. Poliak, A. Haldar, R. Rudinger, J. Edward. Hu, E. Pavlick, A. S. White, B. Van Durme