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Education

- 2018– **Ph.D. in Computer Science, Stanford University**
– Rotation advisors: Christopher Manning, Noah Goodman, Percy Liang
- 2017–2018 **MPhil in Advanced Computer Science, *with distinction*, University of Cambridge**
– Advisors: Ekaterina Shutova, Helen Yannakoudakis
– Overall mark 1034/1200, ranked 2/55
- 2013–2017 **B.A. in Computer Science, *summa cum laude*, Boston College**
– Advisors: Joshua K. Hartshorne, Timothy J. O’Donnell

Experience

- 2017 **Applied Scientist Intern, Alexa AI, Amazon**
– Semi-supervised language modeling for Alexa skills automatic speech recognition (ASR)
– Reduced overall ASR word error rates by 2%, with improvements across 50% of skills
- 2016 **Research Assistant, Computation and Cognition Lab, Stanford University**
– Bayesian probabilistic programming frameworks for optimal experimental design
- 2015 **Research Assistant, Computational Intelligence Group, Technical University of Madrid**
– Identifying Parkinson’s disease subtypes from large international datasets
– Collaboration with King’s College London and Carlos III Institute of Health
- 2015 **Research Assistant, Computational Cognitive Science Group, MIT**
– Bayesian nonparametric modeling of verb syntax
– Parallelized algorithms for BayesDB, an open-source machine learning package
- 2014 **Software Engineering Intern, Quantopian**

Publications, posters, and talks

Under review

Broader context improves metaphor identification
Jesse Mu, Helen Yannakoudakis, and Ekaterina Shutova

Journal articles

- 2019 **The meta-science of adult statistical word segmentation: Part I**
Joshua K. Hartshorne, Lauren Skorb, Sven L. Dietz, Caitlin R. Garcia, Gina L. Iozzo, Katie E. Lamirato, James R. Ledoux, **Jesse Mu**, Kara N. Murdock, Jon Ravid, Alyssa A. Savery, James E. Spizzirro, Kelsey A. Trimm, Kendall D. van Horne, and Juliani Vidal. *Collabra* 5(1):1

- 2017 **Parkinson’s disease subtypes identified from cluster analysis of motor and non-motor symptoms**
Jesse Mu, Kallol Ray Chaudhuri, Concha Bielza, Jesús de Pedro Cuesta, Pedro Larrañaga, and Pablo Martinez-Martin. *Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience* 9:301

Conference papers

- 2017 **Evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure with hierarchical clustering**
Jesse Mu, Joshua K. Hartshorne, and Timothy J. O’Donnell. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*

Conference abstracts and posters

- 2019 **Do we need natural language? Exploring “restricted” language interfaces for complex domains**
Jesse Mu and Advait Sarkar. To appear in *CHI ’19 Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems*
- 2018 **Learning and evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure**
Jesse Mu, Joshua K. Hartshorne, and Timothy J. O’Donnell. In *Learning Language in Humans and in Machines 2018 Conference (poster highlights)*
- 2016 **The relationship between semantics and verb argument structure is highly regular: a large-scale, crowd-sourced investigation**
 Joshua K. Hartshorne, **Jesse Mu**, Timothy J. O’Donnell, and Martha Palmer. In *Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing*
- 2016 **Unsupervised learning of VerbNet argument structure**
Jesse Mu, Timothy J. O’Donnell, and Joshua K. Hartshorne. In *Proceedings of the 38th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*

Talks

- 2017 “Evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure with hierarchical clustering”
 Harvard Language and Cognition Seminar

Honors and awards

- 2018 Finch Family Fellowship, Stanford School of Engineering
 2018 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
 2017 John J. Neuhauser Award in Computer Science, Boston College
 2017 Thomas I. Gasson, S.J. Award, Boston College
 2017 Phi Beta Kappa
 2017 Churchill Scholarship
 2016 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship
 2013 Gabelli Presidential Scholarship, Boston College

Teaching

- 2014–2016 Teaching Assistant, Computer Science I, Boston College