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## EDUCATION

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### Cornell University

August 2022 - Present

– Ph.D. in Computer Science

GPA: 4.20

– Advisor: Prof. Kilian Q Weinberger

### Carnegie Mellon University

August 2020 - August 2022

– M.S. in Language Technologies, School of Computer Science

GPA: 4.10

– Advisor: Prof. Carolyn Rosé

### Texas A&M University

August 2016 - May 2020

– B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics

GPA: 4.0

– Advisor: Prof. Bobak Mortazavi

– Honors Fellow, Undergraduate Research Scholar

## PUBLICATIONS

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### 1. Sample-Efficient Diffusion for Text-To-Speech Synthesis

**Justin Lovelace**, Soham Ray, Kwangyoun Kim, Kilian Q Weinberger, Felix Wu  
Interspeech, 2024

### 2. Diffusion Guided Language Modeling

**Justin Lovelace**, Varsha Kishore, Yiwei Chen, Kilian Q Weinberger  
Findings of the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (**Findings of ACL**), 2024

### 3. Latent Diffusion for Language Generation

**Justin Lovelace**, Varsha Kishore, Chao Wan, Eliot Shekhtman, Kilian Q Weinberger  
Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS**), 2023

### 4. IncDSI: Incrementally Updatable Document Retrieval

Varsha Kishore, Chao Wan, **Justin Lovelace**, Yoav Artzi, Kilian Q Weinberger  
International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML**), 2023

### 5. A Framework For Adapting Pre-Trained Language Models to Knowledge Graph Completion

**Justin Lovelace** and Carolyn Rosé  
Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (**EMNLP**), 2022.

### 6. Robust Knowledge Graph Completion with Stacked Convolutions and a Student Re-Ranking Network

**Justin Lovelace**, Denis Newman-Griffis, Shikhar Vashishth, Jill Fain Lehman, and Carolyn Rosé  
Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics and the International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (**ACL-IJCNLP**), 2021.

### 7. Learning to Generate Clinically Coherent Chest X-Ray Reports

**Justin Lovelace**, Bobak Mortazavi  
Findings of the Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (**Findings of EMNLP**), 2020.

### 8. Dynamically Extracting Outcome-Specific Problem Lists from Clinical Notes with Guided Multi-Headed Attention

**Justin Lovelace**, Nathan C. Hurley, Adrian Haimovich, Bobak Mortazavi  
Machine Learning for Healthcare Conference (**MLHC**), 2020.

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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### ML Core Lab at Cornell University

*Graduate Research Assistant*

August 2022 - Present

*Advisor: Dr. Kilian Q. Weinberger*

- Developing methods to adapt diffusion to language generation.

### Teledia Lab at Carnegie Mellon University

*Graduate Research Assistant*

August 2020 - August 2022

*Advisor: Dr. Carolyn Rosé*

- Developed methods that leveraged pre-trained language models to improve the coverage of knowledge graphs.

### STMI Lab at Texas A&M University

*Undergraduate Researcher*

April 2018 - May 2020

*Advisor: Dr. Bobak Mortazavi*

- Developed convolutional attention models to extract information from clinical notes and predict adverse outcomes for ICU patients.
- Developed an abstractive radiology report generation framework that improved the clinical correctness of generated reports.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Cornell University

*Course Developer and Co-Instructor*

January 2024 - May 2024

*CS 4782: Introduction to Deep Learning*

- Developed and co-taught the pilot offering of Cornell's undergraduate deep learning course, covering fundamentals of neural networks, computer vision, NLP, generative models, and reinforcement learning
- Created comprehensive curriculum including lectures, assignments, and projects for 4000-level CS course
- Managed course staff of 5 teaching assistants and oversaw all aspects of course delivery
- Designed project where students reproduce state-of-the-art deep learning research papers

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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### Adobe Research

*Research Intern- Speech AI Group*

May 2024 - August 2024

*San Francisco, CA*

- Developing a multi-task generative speech model capable of performing diverse downstream tasks (enhancement, TTS, etc.).

### ASAPP

*Research Intern*

May 2023 - August 2023

*New York City, NY*

- Developed the first diffusion model for text-to-speech synthesis that does not require explicit phoneme alignment for generation.
- Outperformed the state-of-the-art autoregressive TTS system using less than 2% the training data.

### Facebook

*Software Engineering Intern- Search*

May 2020 - August 2020

*Menlo Park, CA*

- Developed a service (C++, Python, SQL) to onboard keywords to the search index in real time from a variety of sources (e.g. news articles).
- Conducted experiment with live traffic and found that my framework improved Facebook's total search volume, search value, and keyword retrieval latency.
- Launched service to production.

### Facebook

*Software Engineering Intern-Notification Ranking*

May 2019 - August 2019

*Menlo Park, CA*

- Implemented rate limiting service (C++, Python) to protect Facebook’s internal reachability service and its dependencies from unstable traffic.
- Developed ML pipeline (Python, SQL) to extend reachability service from email to include SMS.
- Demonstrated that the ML model can reduce the amount of undeliverable SMS sent by over half.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Python, C++, SQL, Pytorch, Git**

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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<b>NSF National Artificial Intelligence Research Resource (NAIRR) Pilot Award</b>	2024
<i>Principal Investigator</i>	<i>Estimated value: \$50,000</i>

- Project: "Enhancing Large Language Model Alignment through Diffusion Generated Soft-Prompts"
- Award: 10,000 GPU Hours on TACC Vista Supercomputer

<b>Cornell University Ph.D. Fellowship</b>	2022-2023
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<b>Carnegie Mellon University Research Fellowship</b>	2020-2022
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<b>CRA’s Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher Award (Honorable Mention)</b>	2020
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<b>Outstanding Undergraduate Honors Thesis Award</b>	2019
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## SERVICE

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**Reviewer**

- ACL Rolling Review (2024)
- ACM Conference on Health, Inference, and Learning (2020, 2021)
- NeurIPS Machine Learning for Health (ML4H) Workshop (2019, 2020, 2021)