# Zeyu Leo Liu

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**EDUCATION** 

The University of Texas at Austin

Aug. 2023 – June 2029 (Expected)

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Advisor: { Eunsol Choi, Greg Durrett }

University of Washington, Seattle

Sept. 2017 – March 2023

B.S./M.S. in Computer Science Noah A. Smith and Shane Steinert-Threlkeld

EXPERIENCE

University of Washington, Computer Science and Engineering

2019 — Present

Research Assistant, with Noah A. Smith, Yizhong Wang, and Jungo Kasai

University of Washington, CLMBR

2020 — Present

Research Assistant, with Shane Steinert-Threlkeld

Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence (AI2)

Winter 2021

Software Engineer, with Evan Pete Walsh

USC Information Science Institute, Natural Language Group

Summer 2021

Research Intern, with Xuezhe Ma (Max) and Jonathan May

Meta AI, FAIR Accelerator

Sept. 2021 — Sept. 2022

AI Resident, with Tim Dettmers, Xian Li, Xi Victoria Lin, Veselin Stoyanov, and Luke Zettlemoyer

Awards & Honors

Runner-up Best Paper, ICLR Workshop on EmeCom Workshop, 2022 [4]

Citadel UW Datathon 2nd Place \$2500, 2018

Dean's List, 2017 - 2020

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- \* = equal contribution,  $\alpha$  = sorted alphabetically or randomly
- [1] OpenAgents: An Open Platform for Language Agents in the Wild
  Tianbao Xie, Fan Zhou, Zhoujun Cheng, Peng Shi, Luoxuan Weng, Yitao Liu, Toh Jing Hua,
  Junning Zhao, Qian Liu, Che Liu, **Zeyu Leo Liu**, Yiheng Xu, Hongjin Su, Dongchan Shin,
  Caiming Xiong, Tao Yu
  arXiv, 2023.
- [2] Towards A Unified View of Sparse Feed-Forward Network in Transformer Zeyu Leo Liu, Tim Dettmers, Xi Victoria Lin, Veselin Stoyanov, Xian Li The 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing(EMNLP), 2023.
- [3] Learning to translate by learning to communicate
  C.M. Downey\*, Xuhui Zhou\*, Zeyu Leo Liu, Shane Steinert-Threlkeld
  The 3rd Workshop on Multilingual Representation Learning @ EMNLP, 2023.
- [4] Emergent Communication Fine-tuning (EC-FT) for Pretrained Language Models Shane Steinert-Threlkeld, Xuhui Zhou, **Zeyu Leo Liu**, C. M. Downey ICLR EmeCom Workshop (Runner-up Best Paper), 2022.
- [5] Probing Across Time: What Does RoBERTa Know and When?
  Zeyu Leo Liu\*, Yizhong Wang\*, Jungo Kasai, Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Noah A. Smith EMNLP Finding and EMNLP BlackboxNLP Workshop (Poster), 2021.
- [6] Linguistically-Informed Transformations (LIT): A Method for Automatically Generating Contrast Sets Chuanrong Li<sup>α</sup>, Lin Shengshuo<sup>α</sup>, Zeyu Leo Liu<sup>α</sup>, Xinyi Wu<sup>α</sup>, Xuhui Zhou<sup>α</sup>, Shane Steinert-Threlkeld

EMNLP BlackboxNLP Workshop (Poster), 2020.

### Professional Service

### Program Committee Member:

- Workshop on Simple and Efficient Natural Language Processing (SustaiNLP): 2021
- Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP): 2022, 2023
- Instruction Workshop @ NeurIPS: 2023

#### Student Volunteer:

- Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP): 2020
- Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL): 2020

#### TEACHING

### UTCS DiRP mentor, The University of Texas at Austin

Spring 2024

Lead weekly reading group and introduce modern (post transformer) Natural Language Processing techniques to undergraduate students.

### CSE 447: Natural Language Processing, University of Washington

Winter 2023

Assisted with course planning and development, led weekly office hours, online Question Answering, grading

• Instructor: Sofia Serrano

# CSE 447: Natural Language Processing, University of Washington

Autumn 2022

Assisted with course planning and development, led weekly office hours, most responsive TA on online Question Answering, grading

• Instructor: Professor Yulia Tsvetkov

### CSE 5/446: Machine Learning, University of Washington

Spring 2021

Assisted with course planning and development, led a weekly discussion section, attend online Question Answering, grading

• Instructor: Professor Sewoong Oh and Professor Simon Shaolei Du

## CSE 5/446: Machine Learning, University of Washington

Autumn 2020

Assisted with course planning and development, held weekly office hours, attend online Question Answering. Developed a new section material for Stein's paradox and a new topic modeling assignment

• Instructor: Professor Kevin Jamieson and Professor Jamie Morgenstern

### CSE 5/446: Machine Learning, University of Washington

Spring 2020

Assisted with course planning and development, led a weekly discussion section, and held weekly office hours.

• Instructor: Professor Kevin Jamieson and Professor Jamie Morgenstern

### CSE 5/446: Machine Learning, University of Washington

Autumn 2019

Assisted with course planning and development, led a weekly discussion section, and held weekly office hours. Developed a new section material for Maximum Likelihood Estimation.

• Instructor: Professor Sewoong Oh

### CSE 446: Machine Learning, University of Washington

Spring 2019

Assisted with course planning and development, led a weekly discussion section, and held weekly office hours. Developed a new section material for Maximum Likelihood Estimation.

• Instructor: Professor Kevin Jamieson and Professor Anna R. Karlin

DATE COMPILED

March 9, 2024