# Ninell Eva Maria Oldenburg



#### EDUCATION

2021 - 2023 University of Copenhagen, DK
M.Sc. IT & Cognition (current GPA: 4.0)
Focus: ML, Data Science, AI Ethics

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, HK

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Exchange: Philosophy & Economics (GPA: 3.6)

Focus: Game Theory, Microeconomics, Public Policy, Ethics

2017 - 2020 University of Potsdam, DE

B.Sc. Computational Linguistics (GPA: 3.0)

Focus: Semantics, Classical CL Techniques, Theory of Computer Science, C++

2018 - 2019 The University of Trento, IT

Exchange: Human-Computer-Interaction (GPA: 3.9)

Focus: Big Data Science, Italian Language

## ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

## Visiting Graduate Research Assistant, M.I.T., Cambridge, MA, US

Feb 2023 - Jun 2023

Building a Bayesian model for symbolic norm learning in a rich multi-agent environment (Python, Lua). Supervisors: Tan Zhi-Xuan (Ph.D. candidate), Dr. Nora Hollenstein (Ass. Prof).

## Private Computer Science Tutor, Hong Kong, HK

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

Advising undergrads in C++-

#### Cause Area Specialist, Effective Altruism Denmark, DK

Jul 2022 - Jan 2023

A lot of studying current topics in AI alignment and AI governance, incl. leading a reading group; Some coaching for people who want to get into the field.

## Graduate Research Assistant, IT University Copenhagen, DK

Oct 2021 - Dec 2022

Study on the state of the art of bias research in NLP.

Supervisor: Prof. Barbara Plank.

#### Virtual Infrastructure Member, ACL Conference, Online

Jun - Jul 2020

Volunteered as a software engineer before and during the conference.

## Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Dramatic Art, Berlin, DE

Sep 2019 - Feb 2020

Developed an end-to-end system for Computer-Aided Pronunciation.

Supervisors: Prof. Andree Gubisch (Speech Training), Prof. David Schlangen (Computational Linguistics).

## Software Engineering Intern, German Research Center for AI, Berlin, DE

 $\mbox{May}$  -  $\mbox{Aug}$  2017

Developed a multi-modal scheduling app (mostly JavaScript, HTML, CSS).

Supervisor: Dr. Kinga Schumacher.

#### Publications

**Oldenburg, N.** & Plank, B. (2023). Yet Another Social Bias: A Diachronic Meta-Study of Bias and Fairness in the Natural Language Processing Literature. [*Under review.*]

## Projects

#### Irony Detection in Twitter Users (PAN Shared Task)

Paper on GitHub

Can we predict irony users by using the sentiment, topic analysis, and lexical features of their tweets? Supervisors: Prof. Patrizia Paggio, Dr. Manex Aguirrezabal Zabaleta (Ass. Prof).

#### Music Emotion Regression Analysis of Audio Features & Lyrics

Paper on Arxiv

What predicts the sentiment of songs better: lyrics or audio features?

Supervisors: Prof. Patrizia Paggio, Prof. Costanza Navaretta.

## OUTREACH

#### Facilitator for the Horizon Fellowship by Effective Altruism Hong Kong

Horizon Fellowship

Introducing concepts of effective altruism and risks from AI.

#### Founder of the AI Safety Fellowship Reading Group, Berkeley, CA, U.S.

Link to EA Forum Post

8-week reading group on AI risks with 20 participants.

## Non-Academic Work Experience

## Email Marketing Student Assistant, SOUNDBOKS, Copenhagen, DK

Oct 2021 - Jun 2022

Hold the end-to-end ownership of the email marketing strategy and all email needs (planning, creation, tracking, and data analysis); guided the English and German copywriting and localization.

#### Associate Linguist, Google Germany (via Adecco), Hamburg, DE

Aug 2020 - Aug 2021

Developed, maintained, and improved the Google Assistant by resolving bugs, creating, reviewing, and annotating linguistic data, and training and evaluating the ML systems. Also advised new colleagues.

## Integration Mentor, Huckepack e.V., Berlin, DE

Sep 2016 - Sep 2018

Volunteered as mental health and integration mentor for social and school activities for a refugee teenager.

## Presentations

- 2021 Talk about Formal Language Theory for Master's students at the University of Copenhagen
- 2021 Talk about Formal Language Theory at Google-intern "Room For Improvement"-Sessions
- 2019 **Invited System Demonstration** of a Self-Developed Tool for Computer-Aided Pronunciation Training, University of Dramatic Art, Berlin

## Honours & Awards

- 2022 FTX Future Fund Regrantee (\$7,500) for an AI Safety Reading Group
- 2022 FTX Future Fund Regrantee (\$10,600) for Personal Development
- 2022 Scouts and Novices Mentee with mentor Marius Hobbhahn (AI safety researcher & Ph.D. candidate)
- 2018 Erasmus+ Study Grant (\$3,600) for an exchange at the University of Trento, Italy

# (Progamming) Languages

Programming Python (Incl. SciPy, NLTK, Pandas; learning: Huggingface, PyTorch),

C++ (ca. 200h),

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Java (each ca. 100h)

Languages German (native),

English (fluent),

Italian, French, Danish (intermediate)

## MISCELLANEOUS

Journalism Writer & Editor (2016 - 2020) Kiez und Kneipe, Berlin

Youth Journalist (2010 - 2014) Märkische Oderzeitung, Frankfurt (Oder)

Blogging 12 Months at 12 Places (2020 - 2021)

Zwoelfmaldeutschland, Germany

Books (2015 - 2017) Yet Another Bookreview

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