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Education

University of Southern California

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Ph.D in Computer Science

Advisors: Dani Yogatama, Willie Neiswanger

Carnegie Mellon University

08/2013 - 08/2019

B.S + M.S in Machine Learning

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Publications

IsoBench: Benchmarking Multimodal Foundation Models on Isomorphic Representations

Deqing $\operatorname{Fu}^{\alpha-\beta}$, Ruohao Guo $^{\alpha-\beta}$, Ghazal Khalighinejad $^{\alpha-\beta}$, Ollie Liu $^{\alpha-\beta}$, Bhuwan Dhingra, Dani Yogatama, Robin Jia, Willie Neiswanger

In: arXiv Preprint. [pdf]

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DeLLMa: A Framework for Decision Making Under Uncertainty with Large Language Models

Ollie Liu*, Deqing Fu*, Dani Yogatama, Willie Neiswanger

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On Retrieval Augmentation and the Limitations of Language Model Training

Ting-Rui Chiang, Xinyan Velocity Yu, Joshua Robinson, Ollie Liu, Isabelle Lee, Dani Yogatama

In: Proceedings of NAACL 2024 (short). [pdf]

Interpretable Diffusion via Information Decomposition

Xianghao Kong*, Ollie Liu*, Han Li, Dani Yogatama, Greg Ver Steeg In: *Proceedings of ICLR 2024*. [pdf][code]

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Approximating CKY with Transformers

Ghazal Khalighinejad , Ollie Liu, Sam Wiseman

In: Proceedings of Findings of EMNLP 2023. [pdf] [code]

How Does GPT-2 Compute Greater-Than?: Interpreting Mathematical Abilities in a Pre-Trained Language Model

Michael Hanna, Ollie Liu, Alexandre Variengien

In: Proceedings of NeurIPS 2023. [pdf]

Industry Experiences

Research Intern with Qi Liu

05/2023 - 07/2023

Reka AI

	Research Resident on Mechanistic Interpretability Redwood Research	01/2023 - 02/2023
	Engineering Intern with Stan Peshterliev Meta Reality Labs	05/2022 - 08/2022
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Honors and Awards	Provost's Fellowship, University of Southern California, 2022 Data Science Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2019 Royal E. Cabell Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2019 Senior Leadership Recognition, Carnegie Mellon University, 2018	
Invited Talks	DeLLMa: A Framework for Decision Making Under Uncertainty with Large Language Models, USC Information Science Institute NLG Seminar.	
Teaching Experiences	TA, Machine Learning (Master), USC, Fall 2023 Co-Instructor and TA, Machine Learning (Ph.D Elective), NU, Fall 2021 Co-Instructor and TA, Mathematical Statistics (Ph.D Core), NU, Fall 2020 TA, Introduction to Machine Learning (Master), CMU, 2 Semesters. TA, Principles of Computing (Undergraduate), CMU, 4 Semesters.	
Relevant Courseworks	Northwestern University: Linear and Nonlinear Programming, Combinatorial Optimization, Stochastic Processes, Asset Pricing Theory Carnegie Mellon University: Advanced Machine Learning, Theoretical Statistics, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Scalable Learning Systems, Convex Optimization, Continuous-Time Finance	
Skills	Software : Python (JAX, PyTorch, Hugging Face), Linux, R, Language: Chinese (native), English (proficient, GRE V169+Q168)	
Activities	President of the USC AI Safety Group. Student organizer of the Center for Optimization and Statistical Learning at Northwestern University.	