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Work / Experience

- 2018- FAIR PhD Student: Affiliated with University College London and Facebook AI Research, supervised by Sebastian Riedel. Focusing on building more powerful, efficient and robust neural Question Answering models.
- 2018-18 Bloomsbury AI: ML Engineer. Researching & developing cutting edge NLP techniques for question answering & knowledge dissemination. Translating & scaling world-leading AI research into production environments.
- 2016-18 Healx: NLP Engineer. Deep learning for NER, relation extraction, semantic representation learning from structured & unstructured data, knowledgebase construction/completion for drug repurposing for rare diseases.
- 2015-16 MSci Research project: Developing novel algorithm to recommend academic collaborations & demonstrate unsupervised scientific concept learning using web scraping, neural embeddings & network analysis.
- 2014 BAE Systems Applied Intelligence: 3 month internship prototyping the redesign of mission-critical software.
- 2013 BAE Systems Detica: 3 month internship research project developing software for more accurate circuit design.
- 2013 Credit Suisse Spring Program: Training program for a technical role within Credit Suisse I.T. department.
- 2010 Expedition to Zambia: Renovating village schoolhouse, substantial repair work & weatherproofing.

Selected Publications (see patricklewis.io for full list)

- *Question and Answer Test-Train Overlap in Open-Domain QA datasets*, Lewis et al. 2020, Under review
- *Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks*, Lewis et al. 2020, NeurIPS 2020
- *How Context Affects Language Models' Factual Predictions*, Petroni et al. 2020, AKBC 2020 (Best Paper award)
- *MLQA: Evaluating Cross-lingual Extractive Question Answering*, Lewis et al. 2020, ACL 2020
- *Language Models as Knowledgebases?*, Petroni et al. 2019, EMNLP 2019
- *Unsupervised Question Answering by Cloze Translation*, Lewis et al. 2019, ACL 2019

Education

- 2012-16 Queens' College Cambridge: BA MSci Natural Sciences (1st Class)
MSci: Physical & Theoretical Chemistry, & Data/NLP Project
BA: Chemistry, Statistical Mechanics, Mathematics, Computer Sciences, Materials Sciences.
- 2007-12 Epsom College, Epsom
A Level & EPQ: Maths (A*) Further Maths (A) Physics (A*) Chemistry (A*) EPQ(A*)
AS Level & GCSE: Philosophy (A) Critical Thinking (A) 10 grade A* GCSEs including Maths, English & IT.

Relevant Skills

- Coding: Expert: Python (NumPy, Pandas, Sklearn, Tensorflow, Pytorch, Gensim, NLTK, spaCy, JuPyTer)
Prior Experience: JS, JQuery, HTML+CSS, Java, MATLAB, C#, SML
- Other: \LaTeX , Gephi, AWS, GCP, Amazon Mechanical Turk, SC clearance 2013 & 2014, UK Driving Licence

Awards and Commendations

- Led UCL-FAIR team which won 2 tracks of EfficientQA 2020
- Cambridge University Department Prize for "Outstanding Master's Project" (2016)
- Queens' College Foundation Scholarship & Paul W Davies Prize for Chemistry (2016)
- Ranked 1st = intern at Applied Intelligence (2014), EAL Certificate of "Commendable" performance at Detica (2013)
- School Debating & Public speaking teams, regional finalists & champions respectively. History, Physics, Chemistry, Extended Project & academic excellence awards. (2008-2012)

Teamwork / Leadership

- Milner Society President (2014-15): Society for all science students at Queens' College (130 students). Managed tutoring workshops, social events & worked closely with college staff.
- President of Queens' Rugby Club (2014-15): Managed budget, training, social events, safety, kit & administrative duties.
- Head of House (2011-12): Responsible for welfare of 70 pupils, efficient running of house & managing prefect team.
- Epsom College YC President (2010-11): Led team running charity schemes including social events & selling calendars.

Interests and Travel

- Play classical & electric guitar. Performed main parts in 4 plays.
- Vietnam & Europe backpacking (2015), Interrail (2012), Rafting & hiking in Grand Canyon (2011), Zambia Expedition (2010)