Hayley Ross

Computational Linguist | Researcher | Organizer & Project Manager PhD Student, Harvard University

Education

PhD in Linguistics

Harvard University

2020 - pres.

- > Probed language models' ability to generalize the meaning of adjective-noun pairs and capture "between the lines" meaning
- Designed & conducted 10 experiments on 600+ total participants to study pronoun ambiguity, in collaboration with theoreticians
- Created a course on computational linguistics and language models for undergraduates with no technical background
- > Organized weekly talk series incl. a panel with 50+ attendees

MSc in Computational Linguistics

Brandeis University 2018 – 2020

Master's in Mathematics

University of Oxford 2011 – 2015

Experience (selected)

Research Intern

Raytheon BBN Technologies, Cambridge, MA

Jun-Aug 2022

- > Conducted controlled experiments on event extraction methods
- > Analyzed data using embedding t-SNEs and dependency parses

Research Intern

Raytheon BBN Technologies, Cambridge, MA

Jun-Aug 2019

Implemented, improved & published a neural temporal relation parser based on BERT (achieved +8 points F1 over state of the art)

Software Developer

Ghyston, Bristol, UK

2015 - 2018

- Developed 14 full-stack projects across industries & languages, including a 10x faster CSV-to-SQL processor, a drag & drop UI for financial XML, and a live bus tracker
- Managed a two-person project, including estimation, budget, staffing, software development and final delivery
- > Mentored junior & client developers, including code reviews

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Skills

NLP & Machine learning

Large language models
Few-shot prompting & probing
Data exploration & analysis
Annotation design

Linquistics

Behavioral experiment design Language-to-meaning mapping

Project management

Personnel & budget management Client communication

Technical communication

Written & oral presentation Non-technical audiences Workshop/course design

Technology

Python (incl. PyTorch, TensorFlow) R, SQL, Regex Java, C#, JavaScript/TypeScript Git, Unix/Linux, LaTeX, Markdown

Languages

English native
German native
French fluent (B2)
Latin

Publications (selected)

Min, Bonan, **Hayley Ross**, [6 others], and Dan Roth (2023). 'Recent Advances in Natural Language Processing via Large Pre-Trained Language Models: A Survey.' ACM Computing Surveys. https://doi.org/10.1145/3605943

Ross, **Hayley** Jonathon Cai, and Bonan Min (2020). 'Exploring Contextualized Neural Language Models for Temporal Dependency Parsing.' In *Proceedings of EMNLP 2020*. https://aclanthology.org/2020.emnlp-main.689/