# TOM SHERBORNE

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#### **EDUCATION**

# **University of Edinburgh**

Sep 2019 - Aug 2022 (expected)

**PhD Data Science** 

Topic: Semantic Parsing

Supervisor: Prof. Mirella Lapata

**University of Edinburgh** 

2018 - 2019

**MSc(R) Data Science** - Distinction (79%) Thesis: Crosslingual Semantic Parsing

Supervisor: Prof. Mirella Lapata

**University of Cambridge** 

2017 - 2018

MPhil Advanced Computer Science - Distinction (85%)

Thesis: Evaluating Image Description Systems with Truth-Conditional Semantics

Supervisors: Prof. Ann Copestake & Alexander Kuhnle

**University College London** 

2013 - 2017

MEng Electronic & Electrical Engineering - First Class Honours (84%)

Thesis: Investigating the Hardware Requirements for Optical Channel Distortion Compensation

Supervisors: Prof. Polina Bayvel & Dr. Domaniç Lavery

Study Abroad: Columbia University, New York, USA 2015-16 - GPA 88%

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Apple

June 2018 - Sep 2018

Cambridge, UK

Machine Learning Intern (Siri)

· Researcher in the Understanding team developing crosslingual machine learning models for the assistant pipeline.

**Cytora** *Machine Learning Engineer* 

July 2016 - Oct 2016

London, UK

- · Engineer developing an information extraction pipeline for classification of global news events.
- · Redeveloped a Named Entity Recognition pipeline to reduce event location extraction errors by 80% using rescoring candidates by news source location and credibility.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Going Beneath the Surface: Evaluating Image Captioning for Grammaticality, Truthfulness and Diversity

H. Xie, **T. Sherborne**, A. Kuhnle, and A. Copesake

Evaluating Evaluation of Al Systems (Meta-Eval 2020) at AAAI-2020

On the Impact of Fixed Point Hardware for Optical Fiber Nonlinearity Compensation Algorithms

T. Sherborne, B. Banks, D. Semrau, R. Killey, P. Bayvel and D. Lavery

OSA/IEEE Journal of Lightwave Technology, 2018 vol. 36, no. 20, pp. 5016-5022

CacheMAsT: Cache Management Analysis and Visualization Tool

tinyurl.com/cachemast

D. Tuncer, T. Sherborne, M. Charalambides and G. Pavlou

2017 IFIP/IEEE Symposium on Integrated Network and Service Management, p.875-876

### **HONOURS & AWARDS**

University of Cambridge Computer Lab Palantir Prize for Highly Commended MPhil Project	July 2018
EPSRC CDT in Data Science PhD Studentship	April 2018
Cambridge Trust Vice Chancellor's & Wolfson College PhD Studentship (Declined)	April 2018
Cambridge Computer Lab MPhil Scholarship	August 2017
IEEE Communications Society UK Best Thesis (UCL)	July 2017
University College London Dean's List - Top 5% of graduating students	July 2017
UCL Goldsmid Award - 1st in class of 83 for second year	July 2015
UCL Goldsmid Award - 2nd in class of 120 for first year	July 2014
IET Diamond Jubilee Scholarship - Outstanding A-Level results of A*, A*, A	August 2013

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**General programming** Python, MATLAB, Java, C/C++, JavaScript

**Machine learning** Tensorflow, PyTorch, AllenNLP, spaCy, NLTK, Gensim, Scikit-Learn

**Python tools**NumPy/sciPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn **System/Hardware tools**bash, UNIX, Slurm, Verilog, Assembly

#### **TEACHING**

## **Accelerated Natural Language Processing**

Semester 1 2019/20

· Demonstrator, Tutor and Exam Marking

# **Computer Programming for Speech and Language Processing**

Semester 1 2019/20

· Lab Demonstrator

# Natural Language Understanding, Generation and Machine Translation

Semester 2 2019/20

· Teaching Assistant for Coursework Creation and Marking

# **London School of Economics Applicable Maths Society Python Classes**

Semester 1 2016/17

- · Teacher for introductory Python programming class oriented towards financial analysis and statistics.
- · Prepared and delivered 7 lectures with assignments for a class of 80 beginner students.

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

# **Corpus Christi College Middle Combination Room** *Computer Officer*

January 2018 - July 2018 *Cambridge, UK* 

- · Webmaster for the college postgraduate student union managing space booking systems and event coordination.
- · Manager of the computer facility and provider of the first level of IT support for a community of 250 students and fellows.

# Columbia Organization of Rising Entrepreneurs

August 2015 - June 2016 New York, NY

Board Member

- · Founding team member at *Almaworks*, NYC's only startup accelerator run by students.
- · Fundraising manager for the *Ignite@CU* and *#StartupColumbia* conferences, raising over \$10k in between events.