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Trisevgeni Papakonstantinou

EDUCATION

University College London (UCL)

London, UK

Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology

2021 - 2025 (expected)

- Advised by David Lagnado
- Provisional title: Belief revision in individual and collective minds: the effects of accuracy, coherence, and resource-rationality

MSc in Cognitive and Decision Sciences

2019 - 2020

- Distinction, Dean's List
- Thesis: What makes an "a-hole"? A language-based analysis of real-life conflict scenarios and moral judgements, advised by Nichola Raihani

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Athens, Greece

MSc in Science and Technology Studies

2018 - 2019

BSc in Philosophy of Science

2014 - 2018

Teaching

PALS0045: Intermediate Statistical Methods | UCL

2021.09 - Present

Lead PGTA

• Lead multiple statistical programming lab sessions, demonstrating data wrangling, visualisation and statistical inference methods in R (Year 2 curriculum)

PALS0046: Introduction to Statistical Methods | UCL

2024.10 - Present

Lead PGTA

• Lead statistical programming lab sessions in R (Year 1 curriculum)

COMP0016: Human-Computer Interaction | UCL

2024.10 - 2024.11

PGTA

PALS0045: Intermediate Statistical Methods | UCL

2022.09 - 2023.02

Module Co-Organiser

- Organised and monitored all aspects of practical sessions and online learning for a module delivered to 280 students. Supervised 8 PGTAs, ensuring all lab sessions ran smoothly and ran quality assurance on teaching materials.
- Planned and delivered weekly sessions and Q&As elaborating on lecture materials according to students' interests and learning gaps.

PSYC0002: Behaviour Change | UCL

2022.10 - 2023.12

PGTA

PALS0043: Advanced Multivariate Statistical Methods | UCL 2021.09 - 2021.12

• Assisted lecturer in statistical programming lab sessions in R, SPSS and LISREL (Year 3 curriculum)

EXPERIENCE

ShiftPartner | London, UK

2022.08 - Present

Data Science Lead

 Provide strategic direction for data science initiatives, conduct user studies and digital interventions. Lead analytics integrating R, Python and SQL and oversee the development of recommender engines, machine learning models, and dashboards.

The Alan Turing Institute | London, UK

2023.10 - 2024.07

Research Fellow (PhD Enrichment)

- Designed and conducted large-scale project on modeling beliefs and intuitive theories from social media text using NLP techniques and LLMs in R and Python.
- Led science communication and public engagement efforts through blogs, talks, and workshops. Won first place in the AI UK Research Pitch competition.

University of Edinburgh | Edinburgh, UK

2024.05 - 2024.06

Visiting Researcher

• Visiting Researcher at the Cognition Computation and Development Lab, advised by Zachary Horne. Funded by an EPS Study Visit Grant.

Department of Health and Social Care | London, UK

2021.09 - 2022.07

Behavioural Science Advisor

- Led the behavioural data science stream, conducting survey design, data collection, and statistical analysis for multiple projects.
- Facilitated stakeholder engagement and provided training across the civil service on the applications of behavioural data science and machine learning.

Public Health England | London, UK

2021.01 - 2021.09

Behavioural Insights Advisor

- Directed the quantitative components of 6+ projects, ensuring robust analysis, data integrity, and rigorous evaluation of intervention outcomes.
- Applied behavioural science techniques, (COM-B, TDF) and conducted analyses of national RCTs to inform data-driven policy.

National Commission for Bioethics | Athens, Geece

2018.01 - 2018.05

Intern

• Authored the first white paper on AI regulation in Greece, focusing on ethical deployment of neural networks.

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Papakonstantinou, T., Flecke S., Edmunds C. E. R., Cross R., and Gold N. (2024). A systematic review and meta-analysis of social norms interventions on health behaviours. In print at Nature Human Behaviour.
- 2. Thom, J., Bowen S., Yang Y., Devarajan S., Doran H., Zampetis M., Papakonstantinou, T., et al. (2024). The effect of timers and precommitments on handwashing: A randomised controlled trial in a kitchen laboratory. Behavioural Public Policy, 1-25. doi:10.1017/bpp.2023.33.
- 3. van Leeuwen, F., van Lissa, C. J., Papakonstantinou, T., M. Bang Petersen, and Curry, O. S. (2024). Morality as cooperation, politics as conflict. cial Psychological Bulletin, 19, pp. 1-22.doi: 10.32872/spb.10157. url: https://spb.psychopen.eu/index.php/spb/article/view/10157.
- 4. Towler, L.*, Bondaronek P.*, Papakonstantinou, T., et al. (2023). Applying machinelearning to analyze large qualitative text datasets to inform the COVID-19 pandemic response. Frontiers in Public Health 11.
- 5. Bondaronek, P., Papakonstantinou, T., Stefanidou C., and Chadborn T. (2023). User feedback on the NHS test trace service during COVID-19: The use of machine learning to analyse free-text data from 37,914 England adults. Public Health in Practice, 6. doi: 10.1016/j.puhip.2023.100401.

- 6. Towler, L.*, Bondaronek P.*, Papakonstantinou, T., Amlôt R., Chadborn T., Ainsworth B., and Yardley L. (2023). Applying machine-learning to rapidly analyze large qualitative text datasets to inform the COVID-19 pandemic response: Comparing human and machine-assisted topic analysis techniques. Frontiers in Public Health, 11. doi: 10.3389/fpubh.2023.1268223.
- 7. Papakonstantinou, T. and Kolletis T. (2020). *Investigational therapies and patients' autonomy*. Canadian Journal of Bioethics / Revue canadienne de bioéthique, 3, pp. 115–117. doi: 10.7202/1073786ar.

Conference Papers

- 1. Papakonstantinou, T., Leong I., and Lagnado D. (2024). *Humans generate auxiliary hypotheses to resolve information conflicts*. Proceedings of the 46th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society.
- 2. Papakonstantinou, T., Raihani N., and Lagnado D. (2024). *Belief updating patterns and social learning in stable and dynamic environments*. Proceedings of the 46th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society.
- 3. Franklin, M., Papakonstantinou, T., Chen T., Fernandez-Basso C., and Lagnado D. (2023a). An unsupervised approach to extracting knowledge from blame attribution on Twitter. FQAS 2023.
- 4. Franklin, M., Papakonstantinou, T., Chen T., Fernandez-Basso C., and Lagnado D. (2023b). Blame attribution in human-AI and human-only systems: Crowdsourcing judgments from Twitter. Proceedings of the 45th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society.

Pre-prints

- 1. Player, L., Hughes, R., Mitev, K., Whitmarsh, L., Demski, C., Nash, N., Papakonstantinou, T., Wilson, M. (2024). *The use of large language models for qualitative research:* DECOTA. R & R in Psychological Methods. https://doi.org/osf.io/5jste.
- 2. Papakonstantinou, T. and Horne Z. (2023). Characteristics of persuasive deltaboard members on Reddit's r/ChangeMyView. PsyArXiv. doi: 10.31234/osf.io/5spq9.

Invited talks

Informatics ED&I Reading Group | Edinburgh, UK Ethical issues arising from the NLP analysis of free-text data

2024

The Alan Turing Institute Lunch & Learn Series | London, UK Why facts don't change minds: Unraveling Belief Systems through Experimental Studies and Online Discourse

2024

AI UK | London, UK Why facts don't change minds

2024

Turing-Roche Knowledge Share Series | Virtual

2023

Machine-Assisted Topic Analysis: A human-AI collaboration framework for qualitative research in healthcare

Edinburgh Computational Cognitive Science Workshop | Edinburgh, UK Characteristics of effective persuaders in Reddit's r/ChangeMyView 2022

Moral Molecules Workshop, University of Oxford | Virtual Am I the A-hole? Investigating moral judgement in context

2020

Conference
Presentations

46th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci) | Rotterdam, Netherlands

2024

- Poster: Humans generate auxiliary hypotheses to resolve information conflicts
- Poster: Belief updating patterns and social learning in stable and dynamic environments

Meeting of the Experimental Psychology Society | York, UK

2024

• Talk: Humans generate auxiliary hypotheses in response to information conflicts.

10th International Conference on Thinking | Milan, Italy

2024

- Talk: Exploring perceptions and preferences for belief updating patterns in stable and dynamic environments
- Talk: The use of auxiliary hypotheses in belief updating

9th International Conference on Computational

Social Science (IC²S²) | Copenhagen, Denmark

2023

- Talk: Blame attribution in human-AI and human-only systems: Crowdsourcing judgments from Twitter
- Poster: Crowdsourcing the potential negative effects of the most popular health apps: Evidence from Twitter

45th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science

Society (CogSci) | Sydney, Australia / Virtual

2023

- **Poster:** Blame attribution in human-AI and human-only systems: Crowdsourcing judgments from Twitter
- **Poster:** Characteristics of persuasive deltaboard members on Reddit's r/ChangeMyView

Meeting of the Experimental Psychology Society | Swansea, UK

2023

 Talk: Perceptions and preferences for belief updating patterns in stable and dynamic environments

Moral Psychology of AI Conference | Kent, UK

2023

• **Poster:** Developing a framework of blame attribution in human-artificial agent systems using Twitter

Heuristics and Causality in the Sciences | London, UK

2023

• Poster: Blame attribution in human-AI and human-only systems: Crowdsourcing judgments from Twitter

The Royal Society Cognitive Artificial Intelligence Meeting | London, UK

2022

• Poster: Blaming artificial agents in online discourse

1st International Behavioural Public Policy

Conference | London, UK

2022

• Talk: The effectiveness of social norms interventions for improving health behaviours: a systematic review and meta-analysis (presented by Natalie Gold)

2nd European Experimental Philosophy Conference | Granada, Spain

2022

• Talk: Blaming artificial agents in online discourse

8th International Conference on Computational

Social Science (IC²S²) | Chicago, Illinois, USA

2022

- Talk: What makes an asshole? Investigating moral judgement in context using Reddit's r/AmITheAsshole
- Poster: Blaming artificial agents in online discourse

UCL Faculty of Brain Sciences Postgraduate Research Conference | London, UK 2022

• Talk: The use of auxiliary hypotheses in mental model updating

17th UK Society for Behavioural Medicine Annual Scientific Meeting | Virtual 2022

• Talk: Applying machine-learning to analyse large qualitative text datasets: Comparing human and machine-assisted analysis techniques (presented by Ben Ainsworth)

7th International CBC Conference | UCL Centre for Behaviour Change, Virtual 2022

• Talk: Using machine learning to analyse large volume of public health data to develop actionable recommendations to improve contact tracing

14th European Public Health Conference | Virtual

2021

 Poster: Using machine learning to analyse large volume of public health data to develop actionable recommendations to improve contact tracing

Awards and fellowships

- OpenAI Researcher Access Program (\$10,000 in API credits) OpenAI
- First Place at Research Pitch Competition AI UK, The Alan Turing Institute
- EPS Grindley Grant (£500) Experimental Psychology Society
- EPS Study Visit Grant (£3,500) Experimental Psychology Society
- UCL CDI Impact Accelerator (with ShiftPartner) Centre for Digital Innovation, UCL
- Training Support Fund (£1000) The Alan Turing Institute
- Placement Award (£4,250) The Alan Turing Institute
- Associate Fellowship Higher Education Academy
- EPS Grindley Grant (£270) Experimental Psychology Society
- Conference Travel Grant (£320) Society for Applied Philosophy
- SU UCL Development Award (£500) Santander Scholarships
- Student Affiliate Center for the Science of Moral Understanding (UNC)
- Green Impact Gold Project Award (with UCL BIS) UCL
- ReGenerator Global Shapers Athens Hub, World Economic Forum

Supervision

Undergraduate

Saumya Soni (BSc Arts and Sciences) Eric Li (BSc Psychology)

Ivan Leong (BSc Psychology)

Postgraduate

Yudi Zhang (MSc Social Cognition)

Xinyu Jiang (MSci Psychology)

Sofija Stojadinovic (MSc Psychological Sciences)

TECHNICAL Programming: R (Proficient), Python (Proficient), JavaScript (Intermediate), SQL (Basic)

SKILLS Software: oTree, Gorilla, Qualtrics, SPSS, Jamovi, Git, Jupyter, LATEX

Languages: Greek, English, French, Spanish

SERVICE Reviewer for: British Journal of Psychology,

Journal of Medical Internet Research,

Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society,

International Conference on Computational Social Science

PROFESSIONAL Cognitive Science Society

AFFILIATIONS Experimental Psychology Society

Society for Applied Philosophy Higher Education Academy

AI Qual Network

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