William P. Hogan

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SUMMARY

Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science specializing in machine learning and natural language processing (NLP), with a strong focus on unsupervised methods. Published novel approaches in information extraction and developed advanced NLP models to solve complex real-world challenges. A proactive problem-solver with excellent communication skills, passionate about leveraging cutting-edge technologies to drive impactful solutions in Al and data science.

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

2021 - March 2025 (expected)

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

San Diego, CA

Specialization in Natural Language Processing, advised by Prof. Jingbo Shang

University of California, San Diego

2019 - 2021

Master of Science in Computer Science

· Specialization in Machine Learning and NLP

San Diego, CA

University of California, Santa Cruz

2003 - 2008

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Santa Cruz, CA

· Graduated with honors

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Al Research Intern June 2024 - December 2024

GE HealthCare

San Ramon, CA

- · Designed and developed a presentation generator application using a custom multi-stage LLM pipeline, automating the creation of presentations and posters, and streamlining communication workflows (patent pending)
- Built an internal LLM-based coding assistant with Retrieval-Augmented Generation, enhancing developer efficiency and accelerating coding tasks
- · Designed and developed an LLM-driven documentation workflow optimization pipeline, significantly reducing manual processing time

Graduate Student Researcher

January 2024 - June 2024

Joan & Irwin Jacobs Center for Health Innovation, UCSD

San Diego, CA

- Led research on patient safety and infection prevention using Al-driven methods to analyze Electronic Health Records (EHR)
- Developed LLM-based solutions to extract actionable insights from complex EHR data, uncovering previously unknown safety issues

Research Data Scientist Graduate Intern

Summers 2022 & 2023

Dell Technologies

Round Rock, TX

- · Designed and developed a text-to-SQL LLM to enable intuitive, natural language-based data gueries, enhancing user data retrieval capabilities
- · Designed and implemented a custom algorithm that leveraged a fine-tuned vision transformer to identify fraudulent purchase orders, preventing losses of up to \$2.1M

Graduate Student Researcher

2019 - 2022

Center for Microbiome Innovation, UCSD

San Diego, CA

- · Conducted research under IBM's Artificial Intelligence for Healthy Living initiative, focusing on NLP for biomedical data
- · Developed an NLP pipeline for large-scale extraction of data from biomedical texts, enhancing research efficiency
- · Built high-performance models for tasks including relationship extraction, acronym resolution, and biological entity normalization
- Co-created and maintained a web-based annotation tool, facilitating the development of NLP models

Co-owner, Full-stack Developer

2015 - 2019

Design Action Collective Oakland, CA

- · Led the development of 30+ websites and applications, while co-managing all aspects of the business
- · Improved internal coding standards and workflows, boosting development efficiency and code quality
- Enhanced accessibility, code commenting, and version control practices across the team

PUBLICATIONS

PUBLICATIONS	
Entangled Relations: Leveraging NLI and Meta-analysis to Enhance Biomedical Relation Extraction Hogan, Shang	NAACL, 2025 See Publication
DAIL: Data Augmentation for In-Context Learning via Self-Paraphrase Li, Y. Li, Mekala, S. Li, Y. Wang, X. Wang, Hogan , Shang	arXiv, 2023 See Publication
MiDRED: An Annotated Corpus for Microbiome Knowledge Base Construction Hogan, Bartko, Shang, Hsu	ACL, 2024 See Publication
READ: Improving Relation Extraction from an ADversarial Perspective Li, Hogan , Shang	NAACL, 2024 See Publication
Open-world Semi-supervised Generalized Relation Discovery Aligned in a Real-world Setting Hogan , Li, Shang	EMNLP, 2023 See Publication
Fine-grained Contrastive Learning for Relation Extraction Hogan, Li, Shang	EMNLP, 2022 See Publication
An Overview of Distant Supervision for RE with a Focus on Denoising and Pre-training Methods Hogan	arXiv, 2022 See Publication
Abstractified Multi-instance Learning (AMIL) for Biomedical Relation Extraction Hogan, Huang, Katsis, Baldwin, Kim, Baeza, Bartko, Hsu	AKBC, 2021 See Publication
BLAR: Biomedical Local Acronym Resolver Hogan, Baeza, Katsis, Baldwin, Kim, Hsu	ACL, 2021 See Publication
Normalization of Predominant and Long-tail Bacterial Entities with a Hybrid CNN-LSTM Hogan, Mehta, Baeza, Katsis, Kim, Bartko, Hsu	AKBC, 2020 See Publication
TEACHING, SERVICE, & VOLUNTEERING	
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Machine Learning at UCSD	Winter 2025
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Data Mining at UCSD	Winter 2024
Teaching Assistant, Advanced Data-driven Text Mining at UCSD	Spring 2023
Program Committee Member, EMNLP Program committee for the <i>Unsupervised and Weakly-Supervised Methods in NLP</i> workshop	2022
Program Committee Member, BioNLP Program committee member for BioNLP, co-located at ACL	2021 - Present
GradPal Mentor, UCSD Mentor for incoming Computer Science and Engineering students	2021 - Present
Developer Mentor, Design Action Collective Mentored junior web developers on coding best practices	2016 – 2019
AWARDS	
First place of 38 participants in NLP Text-mining Kaggle Competition at UCSD First place in National Student Robotics Competition, American Society of Civil Engineers Chancellor's Award for Outstanding Achievement at UCSC Dean's Award for Outstanding Achievement at UCSC	2020 2008 2008 2008
SIDE PROJECTS	
Generating Position-specific Scoring Matrices for Protein Secondary Structure Prediction Designed and built a transformer to generate position-specific scoring matrices for protein sequences.	2020 See Report
8-state Protein Secondary Structure Prediction Built a convolutional, residual, and recurrent neural network (CRRNN) to predict protein secondary structures.	2020 See Report