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# Work Experience

# Thomson Reuters Labs

Apr. 2024 - Present

Applied Scientist

Zug, Switzerland

• Applied Research Intern (Apr. 2024 – Oct. 2024)

ETH Zurich

Oct. 2023 - Mar. 2024

Research Assistant

Zurich, Switzerland

• Research assistant under the supervision of Prof. Ryan Cotterell.

**SEI Novus** 

Mar. 2022 - Sep. 2022

Data Science Intern Zurich, Switzerland • Built and deployed from scratch a complete NLP pipeline for automatic data extraction from financial documents.

# Education

ETH Zurich

Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2023

MSc in Computer Science

Zurich, Switzerland

• Overall grade: 5.45/6.0

• Selected courses: Natural Language Processing, Advanced Machine Learning, Machine Perception, Big Data.

## Politecnico di Milano

Sep. 2017 - Jul. 2020

BSc in Computer Engineering

Milan, Italy

• Final grade: 110/110

• Selected courses: Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra, Algorithms and Principles of Computer Science.

# Teaching Experience

# Natural Language Processing, Large Language Models

2021, 2022, and 2023

Teaching Assistant

ETH Zurich

- Instructors: Prof. Ryan Cotterell, Prof. Mrinmaya Sachan, Prof. Florian Tramèr, and Prof. Ce Zhang
- Wrote lecture notes, held lectures and tutorials, prepared and marked assignments and exam questions over four course editions.

#### **Publications**

- Mario Giulianelli, Luca Malagutti, Juan Luis Gastaldi, Brian DuSell, Tim Vieira, and Ryan Cotterell. "On the Proper Treatment of Tokenization in Psycholinguistics." EMNLP 2024 (Long Paper)
- Juan Luis Gastaldi, John Terilla, Luca Malagutti, Brian DuSell, Tim Vieira, and Ryan Cotterell. "The Foundations of Tokenization: Statistical and Computational Concerns." Under review (Preprint)
- Luca Malagutti, Andrius Buinovskij, Anej Svete, Clara Meister, Afra Amini, and Ryan Cotterell. "The Role of n-gram Smoothing in the Age of Neural Networks." NAACL 2024 (Long Paper)
- Clara Meister, Tiago Pimentel, Luca Malagutti, Ethan Wilcox, and Ryan Cotterell. "On the Efficacy of Sampling Adapters." ACL 2023 (Long Paper)
- Afra Amini, Ryan Cotterell, John Hewitt, Luca Malagutti, Clara Meister, and Tiago Pimentel. "Generating Text from Language Models." ACL 2023 (Tutorial)

Best Freshmen Award 2018

Politecnico di Milano

• Awarded monetary prize granted to the best-performing freshmen of the 2017-2018 academic year.

#### University Tuition Scholarship

2018, 2019, and 2020

Politecnico di Milano

• Awarded total (2018) and partial (2019, 2020) tuition reduction granted to high-performing students.

## Skills

Programming Languages Tools and Frameworks Python, R, Java, C, SQL, LATEX

NumPy, Pandas, SciKit, PyTorch, Huggingface, AWS, Git, Docker

Italian (native), English (C2 level), German (B1 level)

# Selected Projects

#### **Divergences for Natural Language Generation**

Oct. 2022 - Apr. 2023

Master's Thesis

Languages

Rycolab, ETH Zurich

- Supervision by Ph.D. student Clara Meister and Prof. Ryan Cotterell.
- Explored the use of divergence functions as alternative fine-tuning losses for Natural Language Generation models.

# Word Embedding initialization for Knowledge Graph Link Prediction Semester Project

 $Feb.\ 2022-Jun.\ 2022$ 

ETH AI Center

- Supervision by Dr. Carl Allen.
- Experimented with improving performance and convergence speed of knowledge graph models through the use of pre-trained neural word embeddings.

#### **Automatic Textbook Summarization**

Sep. 2021 - Jan. 2022

Semester Project

NLPED Lab, ETH Zurich

- Supervision by Ph.D. student Kumar Shridhar and Prof. Mrinmaya Sachan.
- Created, analyzed, and modeled a novel dataset for downstream tasks in educational NLP.

#### Deep-Mon

Feb. 2020 – Jun. 2022

Semester Project

NECST Lab, Politecnico di Milano

- Supervision by Dr. Rolando Brondolin and Prof. Marco Santambrogio.
- Improved an eBPF-based container monitoring tool by implementing its memory, disk, and I/O monitoring capabilities, and creating a new CLI.