

# Jesse Mu

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## Education

- 2018– **Ph.D. in Computer Science, Stanford University**
  - Rotation advisors: Christopher Manning, Noah Goodman, Percy Liang
- 2017–2018 **MPhil in Advanced Computer Science, *with distinction*, University of Cambridge**
  - Advisors: Ekaterina Shutova, Helen Yannakoudakis
  - Overall mark 1034/1200, ranked 2/55
- 2013–2017 **B.A. in Computer Science, *summa cum laude*, Boston College**
  - Advisors: Joshua K. Hartshorne, Timothy J. O’Donnell

## Experience

- 2017 **Applied Scientist Intern, Alexa AI, Amazon**
  - Semi-supervised language modeling for Alexa skills automatic speech recognition (ASR)
  - Reduced overall ASR word error rates by 2%, with improvements across 50% of skills
- 2016 **Research Assistant, Computation and Cognition Lab, Stanford University**
  - Bayesian probabilistic programming frameworks for optimal experimental design
- 2015 **Research Assistant, Computational Intelligence Group, Technical University of Madrid**
  - Identifying Parkinson’s disease subtypes from large international datasets
  - Collaboration with King’s College London and Carlos III Institute of Health
- 2015 **Research Assistant, Computational Cognitive Science Group, MIT**
  - Bayesian nonparametric modeling of verb syntax
  - Parallelized algorithms for BayesDB, an open-source machine learning package
- 2014 **Software Engineering Intern, Quantopian**

## Publications, posters, and talks

Under review

**Broader context improves metaphor identification**  
Jesse Mu, Helen Yannakoudakis, and Ekaterina Shutova.

## Journal articles

- 2019 **The meta-science of adult statistical word segmentation: Part I**  
Joshua K. Hartshorne, Lauren Skorb, Sven L. Dietz, Caitlin R. Garcia, Gina L. Iozzo, Katie E. Lamirato, James R. Ledoux, **Jesse Mu**, Kara N. Murdock, Jon Ravid, Alyssa A. Savery, James E. Spizzirro, Kelsey A. Trimm, Kendall D. van Horne, and Juliani Vidal. *Collabra* 5(1):1

- 2017 **Parkinson’s disease subtypes identified from cluster analysis of motor and non-motor symptoms**  
Jesse Mu, Kallol Ray Chaudhuri, Concha Bielza, Jesús de Pedro Cuesta, Pedro Larrañaga, and Pablo Martinez-Martin. *Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience* 9:301

### Conference papers

- 2017 **Evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure with hierarchical clustering**  
Jesse Mu, Joshua K. Hartshorne, and Timothy J. O’Donnell. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*

### Conference abstracts and posters

- 2018 **Learning and evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure**  
Jesse Mu, Joshua K. Hartshorne, and Timothy J. O’Donnell. In *Learning Language in Humans and in Machines 2018 Conference*
- 2016 **The relationship between semantics and verb argument structure is highly regular: a large-scale, crowd-sourced investigation**  
Joshua K. Hartshorne, Jesse Mu, Timothy J. O’Donnell, and Martha Palmer. In *Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing*
- 2016 **Unsupervised learning of VerbNet argument structure**  
Jesse Mu, Timothy J. O’Donnell, and Joshua K. Hartshorne. In *Proceedings of the 38th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*

### Talks

- 2018 “Learning and evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure”  
Stanford Computation and Cognition Lab
- 2017 “Evaluating hierarchies of verb argument structure with hierarchical clustering”  
Harvard Language and Cognition Seminar

### Honors and awards

- 2018 Finch Family Fellowship, Stanford School of Engineering
- 2018 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2017 EMNLP 2017 Student Scholarship
- 2017 John J. Neuhauser Award in Computer Science, Boston College
- 2017 Thomas I. Gasson, S.J. Award, Boston College
- 2017 Phi Beta Kappa
- 2017 Churchill Scholarship
- 2016 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship
- 2013 Gabelli Presidential Scholarship, Boston College

### Teaching

- 2014–2016 Teaching Assistant, Computer Science I, Boston College