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Introduction

Argument Mining (also known as "argumentation mining") is a well-established research area within computational linguistics that started with focusing on automatically identifying and classifying argument elements, covering several text genres such as legal documents, news articles, online debates, scholarly data, and many more. Aside from mining argumentative components, the field focuses on studying argument quality assessment, argument persuasiveness, the synthesis of argumentative texts, explainable argumentation and multimodal argument mining. Several tutorials have been held at major NLP conferences showing the continuously increasing interest in argument mining.

Besides providing a forum to discuss and exchange cutting edge research in this field, a secondary goal of this year's edition has been to broaden the disciplinary scope of the workshop by inviting other disciplines (e.g., (computational) social and political science, psychology, humanities) as well as other subareas of NLP to actively participate in the workshop and further shape the field of argument mining.

The success of our goal in broadening the disciplinary scope of the workshop, as well as the fast growing interest in research topics related to argument mining and computational argumentation in the NLP community are evidenced with the richness and variety of submissions received. The 12th Workshop on Argument Mining allowed the submission of long and short papers for the main workshop track, as well as extended abstracts and PhD proposals for the non-archival track new to this year's edition. Furthermore, the workshop hosted two shared tasks: the Critical Questions Generation Task, and MM-ArgFallacy2025: Multimodal Argumentative Fallacy Detection and Classification on Political Debates. This year's edition of the ArgMining workshop had 68 submissions (28 in 2024, 40 in 2023, 37 in 2022, 39 in 2021, and 30 in 2020). The 68 submissions were distributed as follows, 44 were submitted to the main workshop track, 7 to the non-archival track, and 17 were shared task papers. For the main workshop, we accepted 22 papers (15 long, 7 short), making an acceptance rate of 50%. The 7 submitted non-archival papers were accepted for poster presentations.

The 12th Workshop on Argument Mining hosted Andreas Vlachos as the keynote speaker, addressing the topic of "Fact-checking as a conversation".

Aligned with this year's special theme, we will also host a panel titled Broadening the scope of Argument Mining", which will bring together Argument Mining experts with researchers from the broader interdisciplinary community connected with Argument Mining (Linguistics, Political Science, Communication Science, Computational Social Science). Our panelists are: Roxanne El Baff (German Aerospace Center–DLR, Bauhaus-Universität Weimar), Sebastian Haunss (University of Bremen), Julia Mendelsohn (University of Bremen), Smaranda Muresan (Columbia University), Elena Musi (University of Liverpool).

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Keynote Talk

Fact-checking as a conversation

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Abstract: Misinformation is considered one of the major challenges of our times resulting in numerous efforts against it. Fact-checking, the task of assessing whether a claim is true or false, is considered a key in reducing its impact. In the first part of this talk I will present our recent and ongoing work on automating this task using natural language processing, including neurosymbolic inference, and using a search engine as a source of evidence. In the second part of this talk, I will present an alternative approach to combatting misinformation via dialogue agents, and present results on how internet users engage in constructive disagreements and problem-solving deliberation.

Bio: Andreas Vlachos is a professor of NLP and Machine Learning at the University of Cambridge. Among the many things he has worked on, we find constructiveness in argumentation, fact checking, media bias, dialogue modeling.

Panel

Broadening the scope of Argument Mining

The aim of the panel is to establish a dialogue with Argument Mining researchers (from the panel itself and the workshop audience) on a variety of themes such as a) the challenges encountered by NLP research dealing with fine-grained conceptualizations which are typically aimed at when targeting theory-based questions, b) the progress that Argument Mining (and in general, NLP) can experience when challenged with interdisciplinary work, and c) the boundaries that nowadays LLM's superpowers should nevertheless be confronted with: the fact that LLMs (allegedly) can do everything because it has seen everything" does not mean that any possible task should be done with them — this is particularly relevant with argument mining research, which touches upon crucial issues such as opinion mining, with the potential for manipulative uses of the resulting technology.

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