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Personalized Models of Natural Language

I'll discuss several of our lab's recent papers that seek to combine ideas from recommender systems with techniques from natural language processing. Examples include models for question answering, text and recipe generation, and interpretability. By *personalizing* these models, we are better able to adapt to both the preferences and the linguistic nuances of individuals. Doing so leads to language models that are higher fidelity both quantitatively and qualitatively, in terms of traditional and subjective metrics.



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