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# PRINCIPAL INTERESTS

Signal processing, (Bayesian) machine learning and natural artificial intelligence, computational neuroscience, biomedical engineering, research management, technical writing; applications to multimedia processing, robotics, medical devices and hearing rehabilitation

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

PhD Electrical Engineering

1991

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

• PhD research in signal processing under direction of prof. Jose C. Principe. Dissertation title: Temporal processing with neural networks—the development of the gamma model.

M.Sc. Electrical Engineering

1986

Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e), Eindhoven, the Netherlands

• Focus areas: medical engineering (thesis: intelligent alarms during anesthesia) and digital communications.

## EMPLOYMENT Professor HISTORY Eindhove

2012 - Present

Eindhoven University of Technology, EE dept., BIASlab, Eindhoven, Netherlands

- Founder/director BIASlab research laboratory
- Research on Personalization of Medical Signal Processing Systems
- Teach graduate class on Bayesian Machine Learning and Information Processing
- Inaugural lecture: In Situ Personalization of Signal Processing Systems; lecture at youtube, 2013
- previous TU/e engagement: Research Fellow ('04-'11)

#### Principal Scientist

1999 - Present

GN Hearing (Philips Hearing Technologies until 2001), Eindhoven, Netherlands

- Research PI on low-power signal processing technology for the next generation of digital hearing aids
- Leadership/management tasks include(d) all aspects of team and project management (teams of about 10 engineers); (responsible for) the corporate DSP research track, including the roadmap, budget and management; initiating and managing key studies at academic institutions and contract research organizations
- Other engagements at GN include(d): Key Opinion Leader ('14-pres.), DSP Functional Leader ('11-'14), Head DSP Research ('08-'11), Manager External Research ('01-'08), Technology Leader ('99-'01, Philips)

# Member Technical Staff

1992 - 1999

SRI International (previously Sarnoff Corporation), Princeton, NJ

• Research in advanced signal processing algorithms, initiating new technical and commercial thrusts, technical proposal writing and project management

- Principal investigator of funded projects on keyword spotting, digital hearing aids signal processing, speech enhancement and noise-robust speech recognition (co-PI)
- Co-initiated and developed signal processing in financial markets program at Sarnoff
- Member medical image processing research team. Funded projects include blind signal processing for breast mammography and perceptually optimized image coding
- Other engagements at SRI included: Postdoctoral fellow ('92-'93)

## SPECIAL Awards

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- TU/e EE dept. Innovation Research Award (150K euro) for "research on Bayesian Intelligent Agents", TU Eindhoven, EE department, Jan. 2019
- Return-on-Performance Award, for "technical work on Speech Enhancement technology", Sarnoff Corporation, 1998
- David Sarnoff Achievement Award, for "leadership and technical contributions in the area of adaptive speech enhancement", Sarnoff Corporation, 1997
- David Sarnoff Event Focus Award for "Winning Sarnoff's First Commercial Contract for Speech Processing", David Sarnoff Research Center, 1996
- Presidential Recognition Award, University of Florida, 1988
- δ-Butterweck Award (awards top GPA), Technical University Eindhoven, 1984

## Invited Lectures (selection)

- NVA (Dutch Institute for Audiology) winter meeting, "The next ten years of AI for Hearing Device Design", Utrecht, Feb 2020
- GN Hear More 2019 keynote, "Precision Audiology: how AI will affect the hearing care professional", Kuala Lumpur, Sep 2019
- AI Insight Talk at Google Amsterdam, "Automated Natural Design of Signal Processing Algorithms", Amsterdam, 17 May 2019
- Design, Automation and Test in Europe conference (DATE-2019), "Automated Signal Processing Design through Bayesian Model-based Machine Learning", Florence (Italy), 28 March 2019
- Annual conference Kring Klinische Audiologie, "In-situ Personalization of Hearing Devices", Putten (NL), Nov. 2017
- University College London (UCL), "A Factor Graph Approach to Active Inference", Nov. 2016
- Cochlear/ReSound Event, Keynote lecture on "The Future of Hearing Aid personalization", Sep.2016
- WIC Mid-winter meeting on 'Big Data and Data Analytics', "Design of Signal Processing Algorithms through Probabilistic Inference", Eindhoven, February 2016
- CQM, "In Situ Machine Learning for Signal Processing Systems", Eindhoven, August 2015
- Radboud University Nijmegen, "Probabilistic Hearing Loss Compensation", Nijmegen, March 2015
- INCAS3 Institute, "In Situ Personalization of Signal Processing Systems", Assen, October 2014

- Leiden University Medical Center, New Year's keynote lecture on "Personalization of Medical Signal Processing Systems", Leiden, January 2014
- Int'l Symposium on Auditory and Audiological Research (ISAAR), "Is Hearing Aid Signal Processing ready for Machine Learning?", Nyborg (DK), August 2013
- Clinical Physicist Post-graduate school,"The Future of Hearing Aids", Amersfoort January 2013
- Delft Univ. of Technology, "Machine Learning for Hearing Aids Technology", Delft March 2012
- International Forum for Hearing Instrument Developers, "Bayesian Machine Learning for Hearing Aid Design, Fitting and Personalization", Oldenburg (Germany), June 2011
- University of Florida, "Machine Learning Trends in the Hearing Aids Industry", Gainesville, FL, April 2010
- SIKS Research School, "Gaussian mixture models and the EM Algorithm", Vught, NL, Dec 2008
- GN Nordic Audiology College, "Learning technology in hearing aids", Oslo, Norway, Sep 29, 2006
- University of Nijmegen, "Machine learning for hearing aids", Nijmegen, Netherlands, June 2004
- University of Florida, "DSP for modern industrial hearing aids", Gainesville, FL, January 2004
- International Forum for Hearing Aid Developers, "Warped-frequency filter-banks", Oldenburg, Germany, July 2003
- Keynote address "An industrial perspective on intelligent hearing aids" at 2nd McMaster-Gennum Workshop on Intelligent Hearing Instruments, Niagara-onthe-Lake, ON, Sep 2001
- NIDCA/NASA/VA Hearing Aids Improvement Conference, May 1997
- Lucent Technologies, Bell Laboratories, November 1996
- AT&T Research, Murray Hill, NJ, July 1996
- NSA (U.S. Government), June 1993
- Neural Network Workshop, Rutgers University, October 1992
- David Sarnoff Research Center, October 1991

### Professional Activities (selection)

- Member program committee for "Artificial Intelligence: Methodology, Systems, Applications" (AIMSA-2020) conference.
- Associate Editor for IEEE Transactions on Neural Systems and Rehabilitation Engineering, 2012 - 2018
- Invited member annual European Mathworks Advisory Board meetings, 2012 -2015
- Invited jury member for Open Technology Program (OTP) research proposals to Dutch Technology Foundation (STW), 2010
- Invited DSP expert on IWT (Flemish Institute for Science and Technology) panel to evaluate candidate PhD proposals, Brussels, 2005 and 2006

- Organizer/chair special session "DSP for Intelligent Hearing Aids", ICASSP 2002, Orlando, FL, 2002
- Publicity chair, Neural Networks for Signal Processing Workshop, Amelia island, Florida (1997) and Cambridge, UK, 1998
- Session chair Non-linear Systems Identification, ICASSP-96, Atlanta, GA (1996) and IEEE NNSP-98 Workshop, Cambridge, UK, 1998
- (Elected) member of "IEEE Technical Committee on Neural Networks for Signal Processing Society", 1995-1998
- Invited researcher in government sponsored "Robust Speech Processing Workshop", 1993
- Member of various professional societies (e.g. IEEE, INNS), 1986 present

#### Refereed Publications

 Transactions on Signal Processing, IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks, NeuroComputing Journal, Neural Networks Journal, EURASIP Journal of Applied Signal Processing, Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) Conferences, Interspeech, ICASSP Conferences and many others

# RESEARCH FUNDING (at TU/e)

Research at TU/e focusses on applications of Bayesian machine learning to personalization of hearing aid algorithms.

- 1M euro (2018-2022), financial support for 4 PhD students by GN Hearing and TU Eindhoven in the context of a "mini-impulse" research program on collaborative hearing.
- 750K euro (2018 2022), together with Henkjan Huisman and Henk Corporaal to support 3 PhD students, from NWO for research on deep learning for human and animal health, in the context of Efficient Deep Learning.
- 550K euro (2017 2021), together with Sander Stuijk and Henk Corporaal, supporting 3 PhD students, from NWO to pursue research on Autonomous Acoustic Systems in the context of energy-autonomous systems for IoT.
- 500K euro (2015 2019), together with Tjalling Tjalkens, supporting 2 PhD students, from Dutch Technology Foundation STW to pursue research on Datadriven Hearing Aids.
- 500K euro (2014 2018), supporting 2 PhD students at TU/e, from GN ReSound to support research on hearing aids personalization.
- $\bullet$  130K euro (2006 2008) from GN ReSound to support 2 PDEng students at TU/e.
- 650K euro (2006 2010), together with Tom Heskes and Wouter Dreschler, from STW to pursue further research on Personalization of Hearing Aids through Bayesian Preference Elicitation.

# TEACHING (at TU/e)

- Bayesian Machine Learning and Information Processing (5SSD0) 2020-present Graduate class on the fundamentals of Bayesian machine learning.
- Adaptive Information Processing (5SSB0) 2005-2019
  Together with dr. Tjalling Tjalkens, core graduate class on the fundamentals of machine learning.
- Development of (Electro)-technology Guest lecturer for introductory EE course

2011-2017

# STUDENT SUPERVISION (at TU/e)

- 31. Bart van Erp, Towards Situated Soundscaping in Hearing Aids, MSc thesis, 9/2020
- 30. Burak Ergul, A Real-World Implementation of Active Inference, MSc thesis, 4/2020
- Ismail Senoz, Generative Probabilistic Models for Audio Textures, MSc thesis, 10/2017
- 28. Jiyang Li, Online Preference Learning, MSc internship, 9/2017
- 27. Anouk van Diepen, A Probabilistic Modeling Approach to In-situ Trainable Gesture Recognition, MSc thesis, 5/2017
- 26. Wouter van Roosmalen, In-situ Design of Noise Reduction Algorithms, MSc thesis, 6/2016
- 25. Anouk van Diepen, Derivation and Implementation of Gaussian Mixture Model in a Forney-style Factor Graph MSc internship, 6/2016
- 24. Pradeep Kumar, On Discrete-Valued Message Passing in Factor Graphs MSc practical training project, 10/2015
- 23. Rene Duijkers, A Factor Graph Approach to Hearing Loss Compensation MSc thesis, 10/2014
- 22. Max Schoonderbeek, A Factor Graph Approach to Gaussian Process Preference Learning MSc thesis, 10/2014
- 21. Art Senders, A Julia Toolbox for Forney-style Factor Graphs, MSc practical training project, 6/2014
- 20. Robert Leenders, Gaussian Process based Preference Learning as a Classification Problem B.Sc. final project, 4/2014
- 19. Rene Duijkers, Online Bayesian Spectral Tracking, MSc practical training project, 1/2014
- 18. Brian Hutama Susilo, Automated Tuning Algorithm for Low-latency PC-based Audio Processing MSc practical training project, 12/2013
- 17. Zijian Xu, Fast Design of Audio Processing Algorithms by Interactive Parameter Exploration, MSc thesis, 8/2013
- 16. Timur Bagautdinov, A Machine Learning Framework for Bayesian Signal Processing, MSc thesis, 8/2013
- 15. Marno van der Maas, Browser-based Remote Control of Hearing Aids, B.Sc. research project, 6/2013
- 14. Timur Bagautdinov, A MATLAB/C++ toolbox for Factor Graph Modeling, MSc traineeship project, 12/2012
- 13. Maarten Thomassen, Spectral Audio Monitoring, MSc practical training project, 6/2012
- 12. Joris Kraak, Computer-Aided Algorithm Design for Audio Processing, MScthesis, 4/2012
- 11. Joris Kraak, Optimization of a Spectral Noise Tracking Algorithm, MSc practical training project, 10/2010
- 10. Jianfeng Li, Acoustic scene-adaptive speech enhancement, MSc-thesis, 8/2010
- 9. Jianfeng Li, Spatial defect clustering on semiconductor wafers using image processing techniques, MSc thesis, 8/2009
- Xueru Zhang, Bayesian periodogram smoothing for speech enhancement, PD.Eng.thesis, 9/2008

- 7. Rene Besseling, Gaussian processes in Bekesy audiometry, MSc project, 6/2008
- 6. Serkan Ozer, Bayesian linear regression for user-adaptive hearing aids, MSc thesis, 8/2007
- 5. Ronnie van Loon, a Probabilistic Approach to Sound Classification MScthesis, 6/2007
- 4. Anton Vakrushev, Interactive machine learning for Personalization of hearing aid algorithms, PD.Eng. thesis, 9/2006
- 3. Jorik Caljouw, *PDA-based Interfacing to a real-time audio platform*, MSc practical training, 10/2005
- 2. Paul Aelen, Determination of the Intra-Uterine Pressure with electrodes on the abdomen, MSc thesis, 10/2005
- 1. Job Geurts, A PC-based real-time simulation platform for evaluating hearing aid algorithms, MSc practical training, 6/2005

# SUPERVISOR PhD COMMITTEE MEMBER PhD

**COMMITTEE** 

- Thijs van de Laar, PhD, Automated Design of Bayesian Signal Processing Algorithms, TU Eindhoven, 6/2019
- 12. Bahram Yoosefizonooz, PhD, Computational and Learning Mechanisms in the Human Auditory System, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen, 09/2020
- 11. Negar Ahmadi, PhD, EEG Microstate and Functional Brain Network Features for Classification of Epilepsy and PNES, TU Eindhoven, 11/2019
- 10. Chara Papatsimpa, PhD, Performance of Intelligent Lighting Sensor Networks: Analysis, Modelling and Distributed Architectures, TU Eindhoven, 5/2019
- 9. Andreas Koutrouvelis, PhD, Multi-microphone Noise reduction for Hearing Assistive Devices, Delft University of Technology, 12/2018
- 8. Juan Sebastian Olier, PhD, Dynamic Representations: Building knowledge through an active representational process based on deep generative models, Eindhoven University of Technology, 10/2018
- 7. Henk Kortier, PhD, Assessment of Hand Kinematics and Interactions with the Environment, University of Twente, 02/2018
- 6. Math Verstraelen, PhD, The WaveCore A Scalable Architecture for Real-time Audio Processing University of Twente, 01/2017
- Amir Jalalirad, PhD, Supervised Learning through Feature-based Models, TU Eindhoven, 12/2016
- 4. Yuan Zeng, PhD, Distributed Speech Enhancement in Wireless Acoustic Sensor Networks, Delft University of Technology, 6/2015
- 3. Ingeborg Brons, PhD, Perceptual evaluation of noise reduction in hearing aids, University of Amsterdam, 12/2013
- 2. Jelte Vink, PhD, Machine Learning for Efficient Object Recognition, TU Eindhoven, 9/2013
- 1. Adriana Birlutiu, PhD, Machine Learning for Pairwise Data, University of Nijmegen, 10/2011

# PROFESSIONAL INTERVIEWS

- 2. Slimme gehoorassistent, IO Magazine, Dec 2019
- 1. Introducing Data Science: Hearing Aids on the Brink of a Paradigm Shift]. Interview in Audiology Info Magazine, Dec 2014

### **PATENTS**

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- 20. Bert de Vries, Marco Cox and Joris Kraak, *Hearing Device and Method for Tuning Hearing Device Parameters*, filed by GN, 2017P00065EP, Dec 2017
- 19. Almer van den Berg and Bert de Vries, Sound signal modelling based on recorded object sound, filed by GN ReSound, EP16206941.3, Dec. 2016
- 18. Bert de Vries and Joris Kraak, Automated Scanning for Hearing Aid Parameters, filed by GN ReSound, July 2016
- 17. Fredrik Gran et al., Performance-based In Situ Optimization of Hearing Aids, filed by GN ReSound, US-2017055090, priority date June 2015, pub date Dec 2016
- Bert de Vries and Erik van der Werf, A Multi-band Signal Processor for Digital Audio Signals, filed by GN ReSound, US-2015317995, EP-2941020, priority date May 2014
- Andrew Dittberner, Bert de Vries et al., A Location Learning Hearing Aid, filed by GN ReSound, JP-2015130659, US-2015172831, EP-2884766, priority date Dec. 2013
- Bert de Vries and Mojtaba Farmani, A Hearing Aid with Probabilistic Hearing Loss Compensation, filed by GN ReSound, CN-105706466, EP-2871858, priority date Nov. 2013
- 13. Bert de Vries et al., Efficient evaluation of hearing ability, filed by GN ReSound, US Patent 9,560,991 (granted 2017), priority date April 2009
- 12. Alexander Ypma et al., *Asymmetric adjustment*, filed by GN ReSound, US patent 8792659 (granted 7/2014), priority date Nov-2008
- 11. Alexander Ypma et al., Learning control of hearing aid parameter settings, filed by GN ReSound, US patent 9408002 (granted 8/2016), priority date Mar-2006
- Bert de Vries and Alexander Ypma, Optimization of Hearing Aid Parameters, filed by GN ReSound, US patent 9084066 (granted 7/2015), priority date Oct 2005
- 9. David Zhao, Bastiaan Kleijn, Alexander Ypma and Bert de Vries, Method and Apparatus for Improved Estimation of Non-stationary Noise for Speech Enhancement, filed by GN ReSound, US patent 7590530 (granted 8/2009), priority date Sep 2005
- 8. Bert de Vries and Rob de Vries, Fitting methodology and hearing prosthesis based on signal-to-noise ratio loss data, US patent 7804973 (granted 9/2010), priority date 2/2002
- 7. L. Parra and B. de Vries, Method and apparatus for adaptive speech detection by applying a probabilistic description to the classification and tracking of signal components, patent registered for Sarnoff Corporation, LG Electronics, Inc., US patent 6691087 (granted Feb-2004), priority date Nov 1997
- Bert de Vries, Noise Spectrum Tracking for Speech Enhancement, patent registered for Sarnoff Corporation, no. US6289309, 9/11/2001
- 5. J. Lubin et al., Method and apparatus for training a neural network to learn and use fidelity metric as a control mechanism, patent registered for Sarnoff Corporation, no. US6075884, 6/13/2000

- 4. Bert de Vries, Method and apparatus for filtering signals using a gamma delay line based estimation of power spectrum, patent registered for Sarnoff Corporation, no. US6073152, 6/6/2000
- 3. M. Brill, J. Lubin, B. de Vries, O. Finard, Method and apparatus for assessing the visibility of differences between two image sequences, patent registered for Sarnoff Corporation, no. US5974159, 10/26/1999
- 2. Bert de Vries, Method and system for training a neural network with adaptive weight updating and adaptive pruning in principal components space, patent registered for David Sarnoff Research Center, no. 5,812,992, 9/22/98
- 1. Bert de Vries and Jose Principe, An adaptive filter based on a recursive delay line, patent registered for University of Florida, no. 5,301,135, April 1994

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

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- 16. Thijs van de Laar and Bert de Vries, Simulating Active Inference Processes by Message Passing, Frontiers in Robotics and AI, March 2019
- 15. Marco Cox, Thijs van de Laar and Bert de Vries, A Factor Graph Approach to Automated Design of Bayesian Signal Processing Algorithms, International Journal of Approximate Reasoning, Nov. 2018
- 14. Bert de Vries and Karl J. Friston, A Factor Graph Description of Deep Temporal Active Inference, Frontiers in Computational Neuroscience, Oct. 2017
- 13. Karl J. Friston, Thomas Parr and Bert de Vries, The graphical brain: belief propagation and active inference, *Network Neuroscience*, the MIT Press, vol.1, no.1, pp.1-78, 2017
- 12. Thijs van de Laar and Bert de Vries, A Probabilistic Modeling Approach to Hearing Loss Compensation, IEEE Tr. on Audio, Speech and Language Processing, Nov. 2016
- 11. Rik Vullings et al., An Adaptive Kalman Filter for ECG Signal Enhancement, *IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering*, vol.58, no.4, April 2011
- 10. A. Ypma et al., On-line Personalization of Hearing Instruments, EURASIP Journal on Audio, Speech, and Music Processing, September 2008
- 9. Tjeerd Dijkstra et al., The Learning Hearing Aid: Common-Sense Reasoning in Hearing Aid Circuits, The Hearing Review, October 2007
- 8. David Zhao et al., On-line Noise Estimation Using Stochastic-Gain HMM for Speech Enhancement, *IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech and Language Processing*, vol.16, no.4, May 2008
- 7. Jose Principe et al., Locally Recurrent Networks: The Gamma Operator, Properties and Extensions, invited book chapter in *Neural Networks and Pattern Recognition*, Omidvar and Dayhoff (eds.), Academic Press, 1997
- Bert de Vries, Short term memory structures for dynamic neural networks, book chapter in: Artificial Neural Networks for Speech and Vision, Richard Mammone (ed.), Chapman & Hall Ltd., 1994
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- 2. Joachim Gravenstein et al., Sampling intervals for clinical monitoring of variables during anesthesia, *Journal of clinical monitoring* vol 5(1), 1989
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- 82. Magnus Koudahl and Bert de Vries, A Worked Example of Fokker-Planck-based Active Inference, 1st. Int'l workshop on Active Inference (IWAI-2020), Ghent, Belgium, Sep. 2020
- 81. Martin Roa Villescas et al., Real-time Audio Processing for Hearing Aids using a Model-Based Bayesian Inference Framework, SCOPES '20: Proceedings of the 23th International Workshop on Software and Compilers for Embedded Systems, May 2020
- 80. Albert Podusenko, Wouter Kouw and Bert de Vries, Online Variational Message Passing in Hierarchical Autoregressive Models, *IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory*, Los Angeles, CA, June 2020
- 79. Ismail Senoz and Bert de Vries, Online Message Passing-based Inference in the Hierarchical Gaussian Filter, *IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory*, Los Angeles, CA, June 2020
- 78. Ismail Senoz et al. , Bayesian joint state and parameter tracking in autoregressive models, *Learning for Dynamics and Control (L4DC)*, Berkeley, CA, June 2020
- 77. Patrick W.A. Wijnings, Sander Stuijk, Bert de Vries, Henk Corporaal, Approximate Inference by Kullback-Leibler Tensor Belief Propagation, *ICASSP-2020*, Barcelona, May 2020
- Magnus T. Koudahl, Bert de Vries, BATMAN: Bayesian Target Modelling for Active Inference, ICASSP-2020, Barcelona, May 2020
- Bert de Vries, Natural Artificial Intelligence, AI in Engineering Symposium, Eindhoven, Oct 2019
- Semih Akbayrak and Bert de Vries, Reparameterization Gradient Message Passing, EUSIPCO-2019, Barcelona, Sep 2019
- Albert Podusenko, Wouter Kouw and Bert de Vries, Online Variational Message Passing in Autoregressive Models, Symposium on Information Theory in the Benelux, Ghent (Belgium), May 2019
- 72. Magnus Koudahl, Wouter Kouw and Bert de Vries, Agent Alignment by Active Inference, Symposium on Information Theory in the Benelux, Ghent (Belgium), May 2019
- 71. Patrick Wijnings, Sander Stuijk, Bert de Vries and Henk Corporaal, Robust Bayesian Beamforming for Sources at Different Distances with Applications in Urban Monitoring, *Int'l Conference on Audio, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, Brighton (UK), May 2019
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- Ivan Bocharov et al., Acoustic Scene Classification from Few Examples, EU-SIPCO, Rome, Italy, September, 2018
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- Thijs van de Laar, Marco Cox, Bert de Vries, ForneyLab.jl: a Julia Toolbox for Factor Graph-based Probabilistic Programming, *JuliaCon 2018*, youtube, London (UK), August 2018
- 64. Ivan Bocharov, Bert de Vries and Tjalling Tjalkens, K-shot Learning of Acoustic Context, NIPS-2017 workshop on machine learning for audio signal processing, Long Beach (CA), Dec 2017
- 63. Marco Cox and Bert de Vries, A parametric approach to Bayesian optimization with pairwise comparisons. NIPS-2017 workshop on Bayesian Optimization, Long Beach (CA), Dec 2017
- 62. Thijs van de Laar, Marco Cox, Anouk van Diepen and Bert de Vries, Variational Stabilized Linear Forgetting in State-Space Models, *EUSIPCO-2017*, KOS Island (Greece), Aug.2017
- 61. Marco Cox and Bert de Vries, A Gaussian Process Mixture Prior for Hearing Loss Modeling, *Machine Learning Conference of the Benelux* (Benelearn), Eindhoven, 2017
- 60. Anouk van Diepen et al., An In-situ Trainable Gesture Classifier, *Machine Learning Conference of the Benelux* (Benelearn), Eindhoven, 2017
- 59. Quan (Eric) Nguyen et al., Probabilistic Inference-based Reinforcement Learning, Machine Learning Conference of the Benelux (Benelearn), Eindhoven, 2017
- 58. Thijs van de Laar and Bert de Vries, A Probabilistic Modeling Approach to Hearing Loss Compensation, *Machine Learning Conference of the Benelux* (Benelearn), Eindhoven, 2017
- 57. Mojtaba Farmani and Bert de Vries, A Probabilistic Approach To Hearing Loss Compensation, *IEEE Machine Learning for Signal Processing workshop* (MLSP), Reims, FR, Sep 2014
- Bert de Vries et al., Efficient Hearing Aid Spectral Signal Processing with an Asynchronous Warped Filterbank, *Int'l Hearing Aid Research Conference* (IH-CON), Lake Tahoe, CA, August 2014
- Bert de Vries and Andrew Dittberner, Is Hearing Aid Signal Processing Ready for Machine Learning? Int'l Symposium on Auditory and Audiological Research, Nyborg, DK, Aug. 2013
- Ungureanu C. et al., A Bayesian Network for Detection of Seizures, 1st Jan Beneken Conference on Modeling and Simulation of Human Physiology, Eindhoven, NL, 2013
- Petkov P. et al., Discrete Choice Models for Non-Intrusive Quality Assessment, Interspeech 2011, Florence, Italy, 2011

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- 51. S.I. Mossavat et al., A Bayesian hierarchical mixture of experts approach to estimate speech quality, *QoMEX 2010*, Trondheim, Norway, June 2010
- 50. Jos Leenen and Bert de Vries, Current DSP and Machine Learning Trends in the Hearing Aids Industry, *IEEE Benelux Signal Processing Symposium: Signal Processing for Digital Hearing Aids*, Delft, NL, April 2010
- 49. Xueru Zhang et al., Bayesian periodogram smoothing for speech enhancement, European Symposium on Artificial Neural Networks (ESANN-09), Bruges, April 2009
- 48. Adriana Birlutiu et al., Towards hearing aid personalization: preference elicitation from audiological data, *Scientific ICT-Research Event Netherlands (SIREN)*, Amsterdam, Sep. 2008
- 47. Tjeerd Dijkstra et al., HearClip: an Application of Bayesian Machine Learning to Personalization of Hearing Aids, Presentation at *Dutch Society for Audiology Meeting*, Sep. 2008
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- 45. Rolph Houben et al., Construction of a virtual subject response database to reduce subject testing, *Int'l Hearing Aid Research Conference*, Lake Tahoe, CA, August 2008
- 44. Bert de Vries et al., The Complexity of Hearing Aid Fitting, presented at *International Symposium on Auditory and Audiological Research 2007*, Helsingor, Denmark, August 2007
- 43. Jos Leenen et al., Learning Volume Control for Hearing Aids, presented at *International Symposium on Auditory and Audiological Research 2007*, Helsingor, Denmark, August 2007
- 42. Alexander Ypma et al., Bayesian Feature Selection for Hearing Aid Personalization, *MLSP-07*, Thessaloniki, Greece, 2007
- 41. Adriana Birlutiu et al., Personalization of Hearing Aids through Bayesian Preference Elicitation, NIPS workshop on User Adaptive Systems, Whistler, BC, Canada, December 2006
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- 39. Alexander Ypma, Bert de Vries and Job Geurts, Robust Volume Control Personalization from On-line Preference Feedback, *IEEE Int. Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing*, Maynooth, Ireland, 2006
- 38. Bert de Vries, Tom M. Heskes and Tjeerd M. H. Dijkstra, Bayesian Incremental Utility Elicitation with Application to Hearing Aids Personalization, Valencia/ISBA 8th World Meeting on Bayesian Statistics, Benidorm, Spain, June 2006
- 37. Tjeerd M. H. Dijkstra et al., A Bayesian decision-theoretic framework for psychophysics, *Valencia/ISBA 8th World Meeting on Bayesian Statistics*, Benidorm, Spain, June 2006
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