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Bernard Spiegl

Helsinki, Finland



EDUCATION

Master of Science - Signal Processing and Data Science (GPA 4.7 / 5.0)

2021 - 2023

Aalto University

• minors: Human Neuroscience and Technology; Acoustics and Audio Technology

Helsinki, Finland

focus areas: Deep Learning, Neuroscience, Audio Signal Processing

Bachelor of Science - Computer Science (GPA 3.8 / 5.0)

2018 - 2021

Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing, University of Zagreb

Zagreb, Croatia

 BSc thesis: Contrastive Unpaired Translation using Focal Loss for Patch Classification supervised by Prof. Siniša Šegvić arXiv preprint - [PDF]

• BSc project: Semi-Supervised Image Classification

· focus areas: Deep Learning, Computer Vision

ACHIEVEMENTS

HIIT Funding	Received funding from Helsinki Institute for Information Technology in a duration of 6	2023
	months for my master's thesis on novel view synthesis and mental rotation under	
	supervision of Prof. Alexander Ilin co-supervised with Prof. Stéphane Deny.	
Dean's Incentive Scholarship	Received a scholarship awarded by Aalto University for good academic progress.	2022
Google Foobar	Received an invitation to Google's Foobar secret coding challenge.	2022
UNODC Youth Forum	Participated as a representative of Croatia at an international youth forum in Vienna,	2018
	Austria organised by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.	
STEM Scholarship	Received a scholarship for being among the top students on matriculation exam in	2018
	fields of Mathematics and Physics.	

EXPERIENCE

TEACHING ASSISTANT FEB 2023 — JUN 2023

Aalto University

CS-E4890 - Deep Learning course.

APR 2022 — JUN 2022

Helsinki, Finland

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Aalto University

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Implemented a deep neural network architecture that combines VQ-VAE to compress
 the audio and an autoregressive transformer that operates on latent representations,
 generating a latent response, in an endeavor to simulate musical call and response
 interaction.
- Part of a research project on usage of AI in music and creative processes coordinated by Koray Tahiroğlu in collaboration with Google Brain (Magenta Team).

DATA SCIENTIST INTERN

JUL 2021 — AUG 2021

RealNetworks Inc.

Zagreb, Croatia

• Researched and tested multiple deep learning architectures for speech classification (robocall detection) and recognition using transformers (VIT) and various CNNs.

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

JUL 2019; JUL 2020 — AUG 2020

• Developed a GUI client for network communication via Modbus protocol.

Zagreb, Croatia

 Developed a web application for real time tracking and management of data on a SCADA based wind turbine systems.

UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

FEB 2019 — JUL 2019

Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing, University of Zagreb

Koncar – Power Plant and Electric Traction Engineering Inc.

Zagreb, Croatia

 Assisted students during laboratory examinations in Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering course.

OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages Croatian (native), English (fluent - C2 (TOEFL iBT 114/120)), German (limited), Finnish (elementary), Italian

(elementary)

Interests Deep Learning, Neuroscience, Music Production and Sound Design, Guitar and Piano Playing, Sailing