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RESEARCH AREAS Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Artificial Intelligence.

EDUCATION M.Sc. in Date

M.Sc. in Data Mining and Knowledge Management, with Honours 10/2011 - 08/2013

Year 1: Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris, France.

Year 2: Universitat Politécnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain.

Dissertation: "Cold-start Recommendations – A Non-negative Matrix Factorization Approach".

Advisors: Amin Mantrach, Daniele Quercia, Ricard Gavaldà.

B.Sc. in Computer Science, First Class Honours

10/2007 - 06/2010

Staffordshire University, Staffordshire, UK.

Dissertation: "Development of a Wordnet Prototype for the Macedonian Language".

Advisors: Igor Trajkovski, Vladimir Radevski.

Work Experience

Research Assistant, Internship

02/2013 - 09/2013

Yahoo! Labs, Barcelona, Spain.

Social Media Engagement Research Group.

- o Developed models for cold-start recommendations of Yahoo! News articles,
- Analyzed the geography of user engagement–whether specific interests are linked to specific locations.

Research Assistant, Internship

06/2012 - 08/2012

LIP6 – Computer Science Lab of Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris, France.

Machine Learning and Information Retrieval Research Team (MALIRE).

• Developed a method for combining generative and discriminative models for semi-supervised learning.

Research Assistant

01/2011 - 10/2011

Institute Jožef Stefan, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Department of Knowledge Technologies.

- $\circ \ Developed \ a \ system \ for \ sentiment \ analysis \ of \ financial \ Twitter \ posts,$
- $\circ \ \textit{The system included an Active Learning module used to overcome the lack of labelled tweets.}$

Teaching Assistant

09/2010 - 01/2011

European University, Skopje, Macedonia.

Faculty of Informatics.

- o Taught an undergraduate one-semester course: "Network Operating Systems",
- $\circ \ \textit{Gave tutorials once per week to 40 students}.$

Research and Development Engineer

06/2010 - 09/2010

Time.mk Ltd., Skopje, Macedonia.

News aggregator, most visited website in Macedonia for 2011 and 2012.

• Developed a system for automated news tracking and analytics.

Software Engineer, Internship

07/2009 - 10/2009

Netcetera Inc., Skopje, Macedonia.

• Developed an iPhone web application for employee time tracking.

Online Courses Writing in the Sciences, Stanford University.

OURSES Learning From Data, Caltech.

Publications

- o M. Saveski, A. Mantrach (2013). **Item Cold-Start Recommendations: A Non-negative Matrix Factorization Approach.** [Under review, draft available upon request].
- o Y. Soullard, M. Saveski, T. Artiéres (2013). **Joint semi-supervised Learning of Hidden Conditional Random Fields and Hidden Markov Models.** Pattern Recognition Letters.
- o M. Saveski, M. Grčar (2011). **Web Services for Stream Mining: A Stream-Based Active Learning Use Case.** In Proceedings of *ECML PKDD 2011, Workshop on Planning to Learn and Service-Oriented Knowledge Discovery.* Athens, 8th of September 2011.
- o M. Saveski, I. Trajkovski (2010). Automatic Construction of Wordnets by Using Machine Translation and Language Modeling. In Proceedings of Seventh Language Technologies Conference. Ljubljana, 15th October 2010.
- M. Saveski, I. Trajkovski (2010). **Development of an English-Macedonian Machine Readable Dictionary by Using Parallel Corpora.** In Proceedings of *ICT Innovations Conference*. Ohrid, 13th September 2010.
- o M. Saveski, I. Trajkovski, J. Pehchevski (2009). Classification of Macedonian News Articles. In Conference on Information Technologies for Young Researchers. Skopje, 1st October 2009.

REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

ACM RecSys 2013 (via Daniele Quercia).

LANGUAGES

Macedonian (Native speaker),

English (Fluent),

Spanish, Italian, Slovene (Basic),

Serbian, Croatian, Bulgarian (Working knowledge).

Computer

Programming Languages: Python, R, MATLAB, Java, C++.

SKILLS

Markup Languages: LATEX, XML, HTML, CSS. Operating Systems: Unix/Linux and Windows.

SCHOLARSHIPS

E.U. master degree scholarship, selection rate: 20 out of ~3000 applicants, 24000€/year. (2011-2013)
Macedonian government scholarship for talented students with advanced results and activities, selection rate: 20 students/year. (2008-2010)

References

Daniele Quercia, PhD. Senior Researcher.

Web Mining research group, Yahoo! Labs, Barcelona, Spain.

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