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GENERAL INTERESTS

I've worked on various machine learning tasks and software projects for 25 years. During the last ten years I have applied deep learning to various tasks—computer vision, language modeling, and text summarization. I'm excited about the emerging applications of deep learning and want to stay on top of the research field. My work involves both running experiments and implementing code for training models. I'm keen to write aesthetic, maintainable code, and I'm motivated by contributing to open source projects. I've also authored several publications.

EDUCATION

Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering,

Department of Signal Processing and Acoustics,

Espoo, Finland

Doctor of Science (Technology)

September 2012 to May 2018

• Research Field: Speech and Language Technology

• Thesis: Modeling Conversational Finnish for Automatic Speech Recognition

Aalto University School of Science,

Department of Information and Computer Science,

Espoo, Finland

Licentiate of Science (Technology)

September 2007 to September 2012

• Research Field: Computer and Information Science

• Thesis: Finnish Language Speech Recognition for Dental Health Care

Helsinki University of Technology,

Department of Computer Science and Engineering,

Espoo, Finland

Master of Science (Technology)

September 1999 to August 2006

• Major: Interactive Digital Media

 $\bullet \ \ {\rm Minor:} \ \ Telecommunications \ Software$

• Extended curriculum in mathematics and physics

• Thesis: Image-based Detection of Defective Logs

VISITS

International Computer Science Institute,

Berkeley, USA

Visiting Researcher

February 2012 to August 2012

 \bullet Worked on speech recognition for conversational speech.

Asian Institute of Technology School of Engineering and Technology,

Information and Communications Group,

Pathumthani, Thailand

Exchange Student

August 2005 to December 2005

WORK HISTORY Groke Technologies,

Turku, Finland

Machine Learning Scientist

October 2020 to present

• Developing and training computer vision models for the Groke Pro situation awareness system.

Nuance Communications,

Aachen, Germany

 $Senior\ Research\ Scientist$

December 2017 to September 2020

NLP/Machine and Deep Learning

- Developing and training Transformer sequence-to-sequence models for the Nuance DAX report generation system.
- Publishing the results in a scientific conference.

Aalto University,

Espoo, Finland

Doctoral Candidate

January 2011 to November 2017

- Worked on subword, class, and neural network language models.
- Developed AaltoASR decoder and server backend (C++).
- Developed TheanoLM language modeling toolkit (Python).
- Collected a conversational Finnish text corpus from the Internet using data selection algorithms.
- Supervised collection of an acoustic training corpus (DSPCON).

Genera Oy, Helsinki, Finland

Software Designer

May 2001 to January 2012

- Implemented new graphical features to display panel software (C++).
- Designed and developed a distributed system for updating content to KONE InfoScreen elevator displays (C++, PHP, JavaScript).
- Developed image analysis algorithms and designed computer vision systems for timber grading and internal quality control (C++).
- Developed Mitla software for timber measurement and refining (Visual Basic).
- Developed configuration script parsers for control and diagnostics panels (Perl).

PUBLICATIONS

Seppo Enarvi, Marilisa Amoia, Miguel Del-Agua Teba, Brian Delaney, Frank Diehl, Guido Gallopyn, Stefan Hahn, Kristina Harris, Liam McGrath, Yue Pan, Joel Pinto, Luca Rubini, Miguel Ruiz, Gagandeep Singh, Fabian Stemmer, Weiyi Sun, Paul Vozila, Thomas Lin, and Ranjani Ramamurthy (2020)

Generating Medical Reports from Patient-Doctor Conversations using Sequence-to-Sequence Models

In Proceedings of the First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Medical Conversations

Peter Smit, Siva Reddy Gangireddy, Seppo Enarvi, Sami Virpioja, Mikko Kurimo (2017)

Character-Based Units for Unlimited Vocabulary Continuous Speech Recognition In Proceedings of the 2017 IEEE Automatic Speech Recognition and Understanding Workshop (ASRU)

Peter Smit, Siva Reddy Gangireddy, Seppo Enarvi, Sami Virpioja, Mikko Kurimo (2017)

Aalto System for the 2017 Arabic Multi-Genre Broadcast Challenge

In Proceedings of the 2017 IEEE Automatic Speech Recognition and Understanding Workshop (ASRU)

Seppo Enarvi, Peter Smit, Sami Virpioja, Mikko Kurimo (2017)

Automatic Speech Recognition with Very Large Conversational Finnish and Estonian Vocabularies

IEEE/ACM Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing

Mikko Kurimo, Seppo Enarvi, Ottokar Tilk, Matti Varjokallio, André Mansikkaniemi, and Tanel Alumäe (2017)

Modeling under-resourced languages for speech recognition

Language Resources and Evaluation (LRE)

Seppo Enarvi, Mikko Kurimo (2016)

The anoLM – An Extensible Toolkit for Neural Network Language Modeling In Proceedings of the 17th Annual Conference of the International Speech Communication Association (INTERSPEECH)

Seppo Enarvi and Mikko Kurimo (2013)

Studies on Training Text Selection for Conversational Finnish Language Modeling In Proceedings of the 10th International Workshop on Spoken Language Translation (IWSLT 2013)

Seppo Enarvi and Mikko Kurimo (2013)

A Novel Discriminative Method for Pruning Pronunciation Dictionary Entries In Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Speech Technology and Human-Computer Dialogue (SpeD 2013)

PROGRAMMING EXPERTISE

I'm working daily with Python and I have written a lot of C++ in the past. I've used low-level math libraries such as PyTorch, TensorFlow, Theano, and NumPy extensively for modeling various tasks with neural networks. I have a long history of software development, mainly with C++, but I've used a myriad of programming languages ranging from assembly languages to Java. I've also gained some experience in concurrent programming and network programming.

SPOKEN LANGUAGES Finnish (native), English (excellent written and spoken), German (fluent written and fair spoken), Swedish (fair written)

OPEN-SOURCE

TheanoLM

CONTRIBU-

Author of the open source toolkit for language modeling using neural networks.

AaltoASR

Contributed to Aalto University speech recognizer.

Tensor2Tensor

Contributed to the library of deep learning models from the Google Brain team.

Fairseq

Contributed an implementation of the Transformer model with a pointer-generator network to the sequence modeling toolkit from Facebook AI Research.

PyTorch Lightning Bolts

Contributed an implementation of various versions of the YOLO object detection model to the repository of PyTorch Lightning models.

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