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Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Data Science Areas

Professional EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, University of Ioannina Department of Computer Science & Engineering March 2024 - present

Co-founder, R&D, PrimeHost Automate guest conversations with AI October, 2023 - present

Founder, R&D, BLUAI

AI, NLP, ML solutions and consulting

June, 2020 - present

Researcher. NKUA

Department of Port Management and Shipping

January, 2022 - June 2023

Adjunct Lecturer (Academic Scholar), AUEB Data Mining and Science undergraduate course

March, 2022 - September 2022

Senior Researcher, CLMS

EU programs R&D

September, 2020 - March 2022

Postdoctoral Researcher, École Polytechnique

Research, supervision

March, 2019 - June 2020

Research Engineer, École Polytechnique Data Mining, Machine Learning, Data Visualization July, 2013 - September, 2014

EDUCATION

École Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France (DaSciM team)

Ph.D. Candidate, October 2015 - February 2019

- Topic: "Novel Representations, Regularization and Distances for Text Classification"
- Advisors: Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis & Prof. Guillaume Wisniewski

École Normale Superieure Paris-Saclay, Paris, France

M.Sc., Math, Computer Vision and Machine Learning (MVA) 2014-2015

Specialization: Graph & Text Mining

Athens University of Economics and Business, Athens, Greece

B.Sc., Computer Science, May 2013

Specialization: Data Mining & Web Crawling

Honors and Grants

OpenAI Researcher Access Program, 2024

Granted access to GPT-4 credits for research in LLM reasoning

École Polytechnique Jeune Post-doc Fellowship, March-May 2019

Awarded a 3-month post-doc research grant

École Polytechnique Ph.D. Fellowship, 2015

Awarded the Ph.D. research grant for 2015-2018

PUBLICATIONS

 On the Lipschitz Continuity of Set Aggregation Functions and Neural Networks for Sets G. Nikolentzos K. Skianis arxiv 2025

2. KGRAG-Ex: Explainable Retrieval-Augmented Generation with Knowledge Graph-based Perturbations

G. Balanos, E. Chasanis, K. Skianis, E. Pitoura IJCKG 2025 (Conference)

3. Severity Prediction in Mental Health: LLM-based Creation, Analysis, Evaluation of a Novel Multilingual Dataset

K. Skianis, J. Pavlopoulos, AS Doğruöz arxiv 2024

 Graph Reasoning with Large Language Models via Pseudo-code Prompting K. Skianis, G. Nikolentzos, M. Vazirgiannis arxiv 2024

 Leveraging LLMs for Translating and Classifying Mental Health Data K. Skianis, AS Doğruöz, J. Pavlopoulos MRL, EMNLP 2024 (Worskhop)

 On the Trade-off between Over-smoothing and Over-squashing in Deep Graph Neural Networks J. Giraldo, K. Skianis, T. Bouwmans, F. Malliaros CIKM 2023 (Conference)

 Predicting COVID-19 positivity and hospitalization with multi-scale graph neural networks K. Skianis, G. Nikolentzos, B. Gallix, R. Thiebaut, G. Exarchakis Nature Scientific Reports 2023 (Journal)

8. Digital Twin for Automated Industrial Optimization: Intelligent Machine Selection via Process Modelling

K. Skianis, A. Giannopoulos, A. Kalafatelis, P. Trakadas IAICT 2023 (Conference)

9. SWIRL: Statistical downscaling for Wind Pattern Reconstruction using Machine Learning K. Skianis, A. Giannopoulos, S. Spantideas, M. Hatzaki, A. Karditsa, P. Trakadas CEST 2023 (Conference)

 Towards Fine-Dining Recipe Generation with Generative Pre-trained Transformers K. Katserelis, K. Skianis arxiv 2022

Moderate COVID-19: Clinical Trajectories and Predictors of Progression and Outcomes
 A. G. Pappas, A. Panagopoulos, A. Rodopoulou, M. Alexandrou, A. Chaliasou, K. Skianis, E. Kranidioti, E. Chaini, I. Papanikolaou, I. Kalomenidis
 Journal of Personalized Medicine 2022 (Journal)

12. Evaluation of Machine Translation Methods applied to Medical Terminologies K. Skianis, F. Desgrippes, Y. Briand LOUHI, EMNLP 2020 (Workshop)

13. Boosting Tricks for Word Mover's Distance K. Skianis, F.D. Malliaros, N. Tziortziotis, M. Vazirgiannis ICANN 2020 (Conference)

14. Rep the Set: Neural Networks for Learning Set Representations K. Skianis, G. Nikolentzos, S.Limnios, M. Vazirgiannis AISTATS 2020 (Conference)

15. GraKel: Graph Kernels in Python

G. Nikolentzos, I. Siglidis, S. Limnios, C. Giatsidis, K. Skianis, M. Vazirgianis **JMLR 2020** (Journal)

16. Evaluation of Greek Word Embeddings

S.Outsios, C. Karatsalos, K. Skianis, M. Vazirgiannis LREC 2020 (Conference)

17. Scientometrics for Success and Influence in the Microsoft Academic Graph

G. Panagopoulos, C. Xypolopoulos, K. Skianis, C. Giatsidis, J. Tang, M. Vazirgiannis Complex Networks 2019 (Conference)

18. Word Embeddings from Large-scale Greek Web Content

S.Outsios, K. Skianis, P. Meladianos, C. Xypolopoulos, M. Vazirgiannis \mathbf{arXiv} 2018

19. Orthogonal Matching Pursuit for Text Classification

K. Skianis, N. Tziortziotis, M. Vazirgianis

WNUT, EMNLP 2018, Brussels, Belgium (Workshop)

 Fusing Document, Collection and Label Graph-based Representations with Word Embeddings for Text Classification (Best Paper Award)

K. Skianis, F. Malliaros, M. Vazirgiannis

TextGraphs, NAACL 2018, New Orleans, USA (Workshop)

21. Kernel Graph Convolutional Neural Networks

G. Nikolentzos, P. Meladianos, A. J.-P. Tixier, K. Skianis, M. Vazirgiannis **ICANN 2018**, *Rhodes*, *Greece* (Conference)

22. Data Management for the World Wealth & Income Database

K. Skianis, M. Vazirgiannis, L. Chancel, T. Piketty et. al.

ParisBD 2017, Paris, France (Poster)

23. SpreadViz: Analytics and Visualization of Spreading Processes in Social Networks

K. Skianis, MEG. Rossi, F. D. Malliaros, M. Vazirgiannis

ICDM 2016, Barcelona, Spain (Demo)

24. Regularizing Text Categorization with Clusters of Words

K. Skianis, F. Rousseau, M. Vazirgiannis

EMNLP 2016, Austin, USA (Conference)

25. GoWvis: a web application for Graph-of-Words-based text visualization and summarization

A. J.-P. Tixier, K. Skianis, M. Vazirgiannis

ACL 2016, Berlin, Germany (Demo)

26. Graph-Based Term Weighting for Text Categorization

F. Malliaros, K. Skianis

Someris, ASONAM 2015, Paris, France (Workshop)

STARTUP BLUAI (https://bluai.github.io):

- Projects with Agence Numerique de Sante:
 - Machine Translation of Medical Terminologies,
 - Ontology Matching,
 - Medical Knowledge Extraction via Word Embeddings
- Elyas Conseil: identifying budget from project reports. The goal of this project was to try to extract the class or category of budget regarding a specific project report.

EUROPEAN PROJECTS

- 2019 to date: participation in a project with Agence Numerique Sante, Paris, France (French public organization) in the field of machine translation of medical texts and terminologies (French state funding, budget €150.000 (project through the BLUAI company, research-engineer position, programmer and researcher for new machine translation methods)
- 2023, ICOS: Towards a functional continuum operating system, European project, funded by the European Union. This project has received funding from the European Union's HORIZON research and innovation program under grant agreement No 101070177 (collaborating researcher at the Department of Ports and Shipping Management, NKUA, in the group of Associate Professor P. Trakadas)
- 2022, Change2Twin: Bringing Digital Twins to Manufacturing SMEs, European project, funded by the European Union. This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Program under Grant Agreement No. 951956 (collaborating researcher at the Port and Shipping Management department, NKUA, in the group of Associate Professor P. Trakadas)
- 2022, AdaptPorts, Strategic Action for the Adaptation of Ports to Climate Change, funding from the Green Fund, Priority Axis 3 "RESEARCH AND APPLICATION" "PHYSICAL ENVIRON-MENT & INNOVATIVE ACTIONS 2022" (in the group of Associate Professor P. Trakadas)
- 2021, DigiCirc: project in the digital circular economy, European project, funded by the European Union. This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program under grant agreement No 873468 (developer at CLMS company)
- 2014, Project with Airbus in predicting NO-GO messages (logs) in the aircrafts. NO-GO messages are of major importance for aircrafts as they make them unavailable for flight with their presence. Our study revealed a number of messages that can be used as "signals" for future NO-GO messages.

Reviews

- 2025: Area Chair @ARR (ACL, EMNLP)
- 2023: ACL
- 2021: NAACL
- 2020: EMNLP
- 2019: NAACL, LLD @ICLR
- 2018: NIPS, WWW, EMNLP, ECML-PKDD
- 2017: AAAI, LLD @NIPS, EMNLP
- 2016: AAAI, WSDM, IC²S²

Teaching

- 2022: Data Mining and Science (undergraduate)
 Full teaching Department of Informatics, AUEB
- 2019: Executive training for companies: Lectures & labs on text mining and deep learning Full teaching DSSP, EXED
- 2017: Learning for Text and Graph Data: Labs (master) Master M2 @ Ecole Polytechnique

Competitions 6th place, National Bank of Greece Race

Training greek word embedding from legal texts.

April 2019

April 2016

2nd place, Fintech Crowdhackathon

Detecting fraud e-transactions based on deep learning.

January 2015

2nd place, DREEM challenge (inclass Kaggle)

DREEM introduces a way to increase the duration and quality of deep sleep.

6th place, Data Mining Cup

Berlin, Germany

July 2013

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Coding Systems Python, Java, C, C++ SQL, Matlab, D3js, LATEX

Kubernetes, Elasticsearch

Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch, Spark, Hadoop Tools

Additional Information Languages

Greek - Native

English - Fluent German - Good French - Good