Anton Okhotnikov

Senior Al Researcher | http://antonokhotnikov.github.io | Barcelona / London

Proactive Deep Learning engineer with 6+ years in speech processing. I have advanced leadership skills and extensive experience in production R&D. Delivered SotA Speaker Recognition and won multiple worldwide competitions VoxSRC

FDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

MSc Data Science

2017-2018 | Southampton, UK Distinction

ITMO UNIVERSITY

BSc Control Systems

2013-2017 | Saint Petersburg, Russia GPA: 4.74 / 5.00

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SKILLS

STACK

General:

Linux • Git • Docker • GCP

Programming:

Python • Bash • C++

Machine Learning:

TensorFlow • PyTorch • Torchaudio •

ClearML • Numpy • Pandas • Sklearn

Rest:

Kaldi • Flask • PostgreSQL • NoSQL •

RabbitMQ

COMPETENCES

Speech processing • Deep

Learning • TPU • NN optimization •

R&D • GenAl • Leadership • Agile

LANGUAGES

English • Russian • Spanish

TRAININGS

GENERATIVE SUMMIT

2023 | Yandex, Belgrade

MACHINE LEARNING SUMMER

School

2019 | Skoltech, Moscow

WORK EXPERIENCE

ID R&D INC. | MACHINE LEARNING TEAMLEAD

August 2021 - December 2024 | Barcelona, Spain

SPEAKER RECOGNITION AND VOICE ANTI-SPOOFING FOR IOT DEVICES

Delivered State-of-the-Art Speaker Recognition solution for IoT devices with accuracy, ROM, RAM and latency constraints to top-tier smartphones and chips manufacturers for CPU/GPU/NPU inference:

- Trained on Google Cloud TPUs with TensorFlow custom size-optimized multilingual ResNet models for Speaker Recognition and Voice Anti-spoofing subnetworks (for physical and logical attacks detection)
- Models quality adaptation for low-SNR noise conditions and architecture optimizations according to hardware requirements

SPEECH DEEPFAKES DETECTION

Pioneered and led development of a product in R&D team of 7 ML engineers:

- Built a technology that detects 50+ voice cloning engines with EER < 3%
- MLOps tools integration and data storage design
- SCRUM ceremonies; human resources management (grew 2 ex-colleagues who pursue PhD in EU now)

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

- Multiple significant worldwide challenges team wins including VoxSRC-2023 and SASV-2022
- Open-sourced VoxTube dataset and ReDimNet model, published 4 papers, bet public Speaker Recognition benchmarks (ReDimNet, 2024)

ID R&D INC. | Machine Learning Engineer

November 2019 - August 2021 | Saint Petersburg, Russia

SPEAKER IDENTIFICATION AND SPEAKER DIARIZATION FOR CALL-CENTERS

- Designed and built a cloud-based asynchronous scalable framework for huge datasets (30Tb+) collection and processing in GCP
- Pioneered Speaker Identification capabilities into product; retrained and improved Diarization model (-20% DER)

SPBU | Associate Lecturer

October 2019 - June 2023 | Remote | Part-time

- Tailored and led 2 MSc courses Machine Learning and Data Mining
- Led 7 MSc students graduation projects in Deep Learning field (NLP, CV, Audio)

MTS AI | Machine Learning Developer

October 2018 - November 2019 | Saint Petersburg, Russia

AUTOMATIC SPEECH RECOGNITION (ASR) FOR VOICE ASSISTANT

- Trained ASR acoustic models with Kaldi and ESPnet. Reduced WER x2
- Pioneered multi-speaker detector and voice activity detection models
- Built MVP of Voice Anti-spoofing module (replay attacks)

CENTER OF UNDERGROUND NAVIGATION | JUNIOR ENGINEER

August 2016 – August 2017 | Saint Petersburg, Russia

- Mathematical modeling for oil pipeline mapping task:

 Calibrated measurement instrument a solid-state wave gyroscope
 - Simulated the movement of a projectile through a pipeline and implemented Kalman filtering with maximum error of 2m

OPEN-SOURCE

REDIMNET

Reshape Dimensions Network for Speaker Recognition

VoxTube

Multilingual speaker recognition dataset

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

2nd /10	ASVSpoof5 challenge 2024
1st /28	VoxCeleb Speaker Recognition Challenge 2023
1st /23	Spoofing-Aware Speaker Verification Challenge 2022
1st /39	VoxCeleb Speaker Recognition Challenge 2022
1st /40	Short-duration Speaker Verification Challenge 2021

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

4th/53

RESHAPE DIMENSIONS NETWORK FOR SPEAKER RECOGNITION

VoxCeleb Speaker Recognition Challenge 2020

Global Education Scholarship Award Winner 2017

I. Yakovlev, R. Makarov, A. Balykin, P. Malov, A. Okhotnikov, N. Torgashov Interspeech 2024 | Kos, Greece

VOXTUBE: A MULTILINGUAL SPEAKER RECOGNITION DATASET

I. Yakovlev, A. Okhotnikov, N. Torgashov, R. Makarov, Y. Voevodin, K. Simonchik Interspeech 2023 | Dublin, Ireland

A SUBNETWORK APPROACH FOR SPOOFING AWARE SPEAKER VERIFICATION

A. Alenin, N. Torgashov, A. Okhotnikov, R. Makarov, I. Yakovlev Interspeech 2022 | Seoul, South Korea

LRPD: Large Replay Parallel Dataset

I. Yakovlev, M. Melnikov, N. Bukhal, R. Makarov, A. Alenin, N. Torgashov, A. Okhotnikov

IEEE ICASSP 2022 | Singapore, Singapore