Selected Topics in Machine Learning Research (Seminar)

Preliminary Meeting

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Team

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This is a seminar for **Master** students!

Main prerequisite: Machine Learning (IN2064)

Website:

https://www.daml.in.tum.de/en/teaching/summer-term-2020/seminar/

Why attend this Seminar?

- 1. Learn about and explore state-of-the-art research in machine learning
- 2. Analyze and criticize recent publications
- 3. Improve your scientific writing
- 4. Participate in a **review process** akin to international conferences
- 5. Improve your **presentation skills**

Topics I: Modern architectures

- Node embeddings
- Graph neural networks
- Optimal transport for machine learning
- Normalizing flows
- Transformers

Topics II: Properties of ML models

- Expressive power of graph neural networks
- Equivariance in neural networks
- Transfer learning
- Explainability
- Adversarial attacks
- Robustness

Requirements

- Strong knowledge of machine learning and mathematics
- Passed relevant courses (the more, the better)
 - Machine Learning (hard requirement)
 - Machine Learning for Graphs and Sequential Data (formerly Mining Massive Datasets)
 - Machine Learning Lab
- Motivation
- Additional selection criteria
 - other relevant experience (projects in companies, experience as a HiWi)
 - you can send an overview of your experience to us (see end of slides)

Tasks

- 1. Read **seed research papers** (provided by us)
- Start your snowball research from there (references to/from these papers, relevant keywords)
- 3. Summarize your findings, criticism, and research ideas in a **short paper** (4 pages, double column)
- 4. Write **reviews** of other students' work
- **5. Present** your work in 25-minute talks

Grade will be based on all parts: Paper, reviews, talk and overall participation

Schedule

Seminar

(tentatively 24.-25.7.)

Kick-off
(23.4.)

Deadline: Deadline: Deadline: Deadline: Final paper, presentation

Research, outline Write paper Revise paper Review Presentation & final paper

Meeting: Discuss outline Meeting: Discuss paper Feedback: Presentation

Registration

Registration via the matching system!

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+ Fill out the application form!

https://forms.gle/2DRAF5CAvxyDxhgH8

- provide us with your list of experience in ML (courses, projects, etc.)
- please send us a concise overview (bullet list, not a complete CV)