Mateusz Dubiel

INTERESTS Human-Computer Interaction, Speech Synthesis, User-Centered Design

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Research Associate (Postdoctoral Researcher)

Sep 2021- Present

University of Luxembourg, Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg

- Conducting research in the field of human-centered conversational agents
- Designing and delivering 'Designing Interactive Systems' MSc course
- Delivering 'User-Centered Design' BSc course
- Providing teaching assistance for BSc 'Web Development' course
- Supervising Bachelor- and Master-level students

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Exchange Scholar

Sep 2022- Dec 2022

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, The USA

- Exploring role of speech as a support mechanism in sustaining focus
- Designing and deploying AI-supported decision making experiments

Visiting Junior Research Fellow

Nov 2019- Jan 2020

Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan

- Designing and conducting interactive speech perception experiments
- Analysing impact of different voice interfaces on user's cognitive workload

Teaching Assistant: Big Data and Information Retrieval

2017-2019

The University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, The UK

- Assisting students during technical tutorials
- Clarifying concepts covered in lectures
- Marking student assignments, providing performance feedback

Language Expert

2015-2018

CereProc Ltd. Text to Speech, Edinburgh, The UK

- Providing input and guidance during the creation of Polish synthetic voice
- Reporting to engineering and research teams

UNIVERSITY EDUCATION

University of Strathclyde, PhD Human-Computer Interaction 2016-2021

Dissertation: 'Exploring the Impact of Conversational Strategies on User Search Experience in Goal-Oriented Tasks in a Voice-Only Domain'

University of Edinburgh, MSc Speech & Language Processing 2014-2016

Class: Merit

Degree in Computer Science with emphasis on Natural Language Processing Dissertation: 'Developing a Speech Recogniser for Massive Online Learning Courses'

University of Edinburgh, MSc Translation Studies

2009-2011

Class: Distinction

Completed a wide range of courses in applied linguistics and audio-visual translation

Napier University, BA Cultural Studies with Languages

Class: 2.1 (Advanced Entry)

Interdisciplinary degree in linguistics, psychology, sociology, English and Spanish

2008-2009

SELECTED

- M. Dubiel, L. A. Leiva, Bongard-Blanchy, K., and Sergeeva, A. 2024. Hey Genie, PUBLICATIONS You Got Me Thinking About My Menu Choices!" Impact of Proactive Feedback on User Perception and Reflection in Decision-making Tasks. ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction. (Just Accepted)
 - M. Dubiel, A. Sergeeva and L. A. Leiva 2024. Impact of Voice Fidelity on Decision Making: A Potential Dark Pattern? ACM 29th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (IUI), Greenville, SC, The US, March, 18-21, 2024.
 - M. Dubiel, Barghouti, Y., Kudryavtseva, K., and L. A. Leiva 2024. On-device query intent prediction with lightweight LLMs to support ubiquitous conversations. Nature Scientific Reports, 14(1), 12731.
 - L. Hillah, M. Dubiel and L. A. Leiva 2024. "¿ Te vienes? Sure!" Joint Fine-tuning of Language Detection and Transcription Improves Automatic Recognition of Code-Switching Speech. ACM 6th Conference on Conversational User Interfaces (CUI), Luxembourg City, Luxembourg, July, 08-10, 2024. [Best Short Paper Award \(\frac{\pi}{2}\)]
 - M. Dubiel, S. Daronnat and L. A. Leiva 2022. Conversational Agents Trust Calibration: A User-Centred Perspective to Design . ACM 4th International Conference on Conversational User Interfaces (CUI), Glasgow, The UK, July, 26-28, 2022.
 - M. Dubiel, M. Nakayama and X. Wang 2021. Combining Oculo-motor Indices to Measure Cognitive Load of Synthetic Speech in Noisy Listening Conditions. ACM ETRA '21: 2021 Symposium on Eye Tracking Research and Applications, Virtual Event, Stuttgart, Germany, May, 24-27, 2021.
 - M. Dubiel, P. Oplustil-Gallegos, M. Halvey and S.King 2020. Persuasive Synthetic Speech: Voice Perception and User Behaviour. ACM 2nd International Conference on Conversational User Interfaces (CUI), Bilbao, Spain, July, 23-24, 2020. [Honourable Mention Award **Q**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 6. Main Lecturer on 'Designing Interactive Systems' (MSc Course) University of Luxembourg (Winter 2022, Winter 2023, and Winter 2024)
- 5. Main Lecturer on 'User-centred Design' (BSc Course) University of Luxembourg (Winter 2024)
- 4. Guest Lecturer on 'Introduction to Deep Learning' (MSc Course) University of Luxembourg (Summer 2023) - Lecture on Speech Synthesis
- 3. Teaching Assistant on 'Web-Development 1' (BSc Course) University of Luxembourg (Summer 2021)
- 2. Teaching Assistant on 'Intro. to Information Retrieval' (BSc Course) University of Strathclyde (Summer 2018)
- 1. Teaching Assistant on 'Big Data Analytics' (MSc Course) University of Strathclyde (Winter 2017 and Winter 2018)

STUDENT
SUPERVISION

- 8. **Léopold Hillah, University of Luxembourg** *Improving Automatic Speech Recognition in Code-Switching Contexts*Co-advisor (PhD Thesis)
- 7. Renata Wietrzyńska, The Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University 2024
 Improving Instagram's Accessibility for Vision-impaired Users
 Co-advisor (MSc Thesis)
- 6. Gabriel Botelho Ribeiro, University of Luxembourg

 Evaluating User Engagement on Sport Equipment Website via A/B Testing

 Main Supervisor (Bachelor Semester Project)
- 5. Alexis Ciarrone, University of Luxembourg

 Enricommender: Business Intelligence for User Interface Design

 Advisor (MSc Thesis) [published in Interacting with Computers]
- 4. Yasmine Barghouti, University of Luxembourg

 Query Intent Classification for Chatbots with Language Model Finetuning

 Advisor (MSc Thesis) [published in Nature Scientific Reports]
- 3. Saad Shakeel, University of Luxembourg

 Developing a Conversational Movie Recommender with RASA framework

 Main Supervisor (Bachelor Semester Project)
- 2. Eliott Bonte, University of Luxembourg
 Nova Chatbot: Featuring Happy Mapping in Sightseeing Recommendations
 Main Supervisor (Bachelor Semester Project)
- 1. Laurent Schmidt, University of Luxembourg

 Comparative Review of Conversational Agents for Self-Reflection

 Main Supervisor (Bachelor Semester Project)

PEDAGOGICAL Fellow of the Higher Education Academy TRAINING UK Professional Standards Framework (UKPSF)

2024

GRANTS & AWARDS

The iSchools Doctoral Dissertation Award '22 (Runner Up): \$1000 prize JSPS Fellowship '21 and '22: £30000 to conduct research on speech perception Seal of Excellence: for Marie Curie Sklodowska Fellowship Proposal '21 (90.4/100) Mac Robertson Scholarship: £3745 to conduct a research visit at Tokyo Tech Honourable Mention Award: for Persuasive Synthetic Speech research paper SIGIR Student Grant: \$2000 to attend ACM CHIIR 2018 Conference

MEDIA/PRESS COVERAGE

Uni.lu press release: *How synthetic voices can influence your choices*The article provides an overview of our IUI'24 article about deceptive potential of synthetic speech in the context of decision-making tasks.

SELECTED ACADEMIC SERVICE

- ACM Conversational User Interfaces Conference (CUI'24) General Chair
- ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI'23) Late Breaking Work (LBW) Associate Chair
- ACM Conversational User Interfaces Conference (CUI'23) Registration Chair
- ACM Conversational User Interfaces Conference (CUI'22) Short Papers Chair

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

2016-2024

MEMBERSHIPS Special Interest Group in Computer-Human Interaction (SIGCHI)

2017-2024