# ANASTASIA KUZNETSOVA

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### **EDUCATION**

PhD student in Computer Science and Computational Linguistics (3.57 GPA)

#### Indiana University

🛗 Aug 2019 - May 2024 Bloomington, IN, USA

#### MA in Computational Linguistics

#### **NRU Higher School of Economics**

🛗 Sep 2017 – Jun 2019 Moscow, Russia

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Research Intern (Text-to-Speech, TTS) Coqui.ai

🛗 Jun 2022 – Aug 2022 Remote, Wilmington, DE, USA

Machine Learning Engineer Intern (STT)

#### Rev.com

🛗 Jun 2021 - Aug 2021

Graduate Research Assistant

#### Indiana Univeristy Bloomington

🛗 Aug 2019 - Present

Computational Linguist

#### MTS, Artificial Intelligence Department

🛗 Jan-Jul 2019

Moscow, Russia

Remote

Remote, Austin, TX, USA

Bloomington, IN, USA

#### Mentor

Google Summer of Code, Google Code-In, Apertium **Q** Remote

**2018**, 2019, 2020

#### **Student Participant**

#### **Google Summer of Code, Apertium**

🛗 May - Aug, 2018

### SKILLS

- Expertise: Speech Recognition, Speech Enhancement, Self-Supervised Representation Learning;
- Languages: Python, C/C++;
- Libraries: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Fairseq, ESPNet, OpenAI gym.

# PUBLICATIONS

- Kuznetsova, A., A.Kumar, J. Drexler Fox, and Francis Tyers. Curriculum Optimization for Low-resource Speech Recognition (ICASSP 2022, to appear)
- Vyas, P., Kuznetsova, A., Williamson, D.S. (2021) Optimally Encoding Inductive Biases into the Transformer Improves End-to-End Speech Translation. Proc. Interspeech 2021, 2287-2291, doi: 10.21437/Interspeech.2021-2007

- in linkedin.com/in/anastasia-kuznetsova-2bb66b116/
- Kuznetsova, A. and F. Tyers. A finite-state morphological analyser for Paraguayan Guaraní. Proceedings of the First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Indigenous Languages of the Americas, p. 81 - 89.
- Zueva, A., A. Kuznetsova, and F. Tyers. "A finitestate morphological analyser for evenki." Proceedings of The 12th Language Resources and Evaluation Conference. 2020.

## AWARDS

Best Student Paper Award at INTER-Π SPEECH 2021

# CURRENT PROJECTS

#### Extraction of speaker attributes from selfsupervised embeddings for TTS

Exploring the expressiveness of large-scale self-supervised representations in terms of speaker attributes. The speaker attributes can be used for controllable TTS.

#### Self-supervised representation learning for Speech Enhancement

The project involves the usage of selfsupervised audio representations along with human assessment scores and aims to improve signal quality and intelligibility.

#### A reinforcement-learning approach to curriculum generation for ASR

Applied curriculum learning approach and k-armed bandit algorithms to optimize endto-end speech recognition system. The method mitigates the lack of training data and achieves 30% WER relative reduction.

### PAST PROJECTS

#### **End-to-End Speech Translation**

Collaboration in developing E2E speech translation system; Encoding local and nonlocal inductive biases into ST encoder.

#### Google Summer of Code: Machine Translation for Guarani-Spanish language pair

Built FST solution for rule-based lowresource machine translation system.

#### Morphological Disambiguation for Paraguayan Guaraní

Developed rule-based grammar (Constraint Grammar formalism).