Roee Aharoni

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Main Qualifications

- Main interests: natural language processing (NLP), machine learning.
- Experienced in software engineering, project management, team leadership.
- Lecturer and researcher, published author in top-tier academic NLP conferences.

Education

2016-2020	Ph.D in Computer Science, Natural Language Processing Lab, Bar Ilan University, Israel. Advisor: Prof. Yoav Goldberg. Thesis: Topics in Sequence-to-Sequence Learning for Natural Language Processing Research Interests: Deep Learning, Machine Translation, NLP for Morphologically-Rich Languages.
2011–2014	M.Sc in Computer Science, specialization in Machine Learning and Natural Language Processing (NLP), Bar Ilan University, Israel. <i>Advisor: Prof. Moshe Koppel</i> .
	Dissertation project : Automatic Detection of Machine Translated Text and Translation Quality Estimation. Published as a conference paper in ACL 2014.
2003-2008	B.Sc in Computer Science, specialization in Signal Processing (Academy Before Army program, started at the age of 15), School of Computer Science, The College of Management, Israel.
	Graduated: Cum Laude

Selected Publications

2020	Unsupervised Domain Clusters in Pretrained Language Models Roee Aharoni, Yoav Goldberg ACL 2020
2019	Massively Multilingual Neural Machine Translation Roee Aharoni, Melvin Johnson and Orhan Firat NAACL 2019
2018	Split and Rephrase: Better Evaluation and a Stronger Baseline Roee Aharoni & Yoav Goldberg ACL 2018
2017	Towards String-to-Tree Neural Machine Translation Roee Aharoni & Yoav Goldberg ACL 2017
2017	Morphological Inflection Generation with Hard Monotonic Attention Roee Aharoni & Yoav Goldberg ACL 2017
2014	Automatic Detection of Machine Translated Text and Translation Quality Estimation Roee Aharoni, Moshe Koppel and Yoav Goldberg ACL 2014

Honors and Awards

2021	Israeli Association for Artificial Intelligence, Runner-up for Best Phd Thesis Award.
2016	Bar Ilan University, The President's Scholarship for Outstanding Phd Candidates.
2015	Israel Defense Forces, Head of Intelligence Corps Award for Creative Thinking.
2014	Bar Ilan University, Department of Computer Science, Research Excellence Grant.
2013 2007–2008	Israel Defense Forces, "Mekor Chaim" Award for Outstanding Technological Projects. College of Management, School of Computer Science, Dean's List.
2006 – 2007	College of Management, School of Computer Science, Dean's List.
2005 – 2006	College of Management, School of Computer Science, Dean's List.

Professional Activities

Senior area chair, Question Answering track, EMNLP 2023. Organizer, ACL DialDoc 2023 workshop. Organizer, ISCOL 2022 Conference. Area chair, Language Modeling and Seq-to-Seq Models, NAACL 2021. Took part as program committee in TACL, ACL, EMNLP, NAACL, CoNLL, EACL, ACL SRW, WNMT/WNGT, NeuralGen, EurNLP. Founder, Israeli NLP meetup (3500+ members).

Relevant Employment

4/2023-Present	Staff Research Scientist, Google Google Research, Tel Aviv, Israel.
4/2022- $4/2023$	Senior Research Scientist, Google Google Research, Tel Aviv, Israel.
3/2020- $4/2022$	Research Scientist, Google Google Research, Tel Aviv, Israel.
3/2020- Present	Adjunct Lecturer, Bar-Ilan University Computer Science department, teaching a graduate course on machine translation.
11/2018- $03/2020$	Student Researcher, Google Student researcher in Google AI, Tel Aviv, Israel.
06/2018- $09/2018$	Software Engineering Intern, Google Research intern in Google Translate, Mountain View, California.
03/2017- $07/2019$	Teaching Assistant, Bar-Ilan University Object Oriented Programming. Average student feedback score: 4.59/5.
10/2013- $12/2015$	Research Team Leader, Israel Defense Forces Led a team of researchers and engineers focused on Machine Translation.
08/2012- $10/2013$	Software Team Leader, Israel Defense Forces Led a software development team responsible for a large scale data mining project.
$\frac{12}{2008}$ - $\frac{08}{2012}$	Software Developer, Israel Defense Forces Software developer and tech lead.