The course is focused on the study of the technologies for the development of advanced applications of spoken and written language. It focuses on new technologies based on deep learning and its application to automatic speech recognition, text to speech, and machine translation.

The final project gives students additional information about a particular topic, and also aims to help boost their own skills in the development of applications or in research.
### Study load

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## Content

### 1. Introduction to speech processing

**Description:**
Introduction to speech technology and applications. 
Fundamentals of speech perception and speech production. 
Speech spectrum: STFT, Spectrogram. 
Features: Cepstrum, MFCC, Pitch. 
Techniques: Vector Quantizers, Gaussian Mixture Models.

**Learning time:** 6h 
Theory classes: 6h

### 2. Deep Learning

**Description:**
Introduction to Deep Learning techniques and their application to speech and language processing.

**Specific objectives:**
Introduction to deep learning, neural nets, learning algorithms, momentum and rmsprop, regularization, word embeddings, recursive neural networks. Applications to Natural Language Processing.

**Learning time:** 9h 
Theory classes: 9h

### 3. Automatic speech recognition

**Description:**
Pattern matching, Dynamic time warping 
Hidden Markov models. Isolated word recognition 
Large vocabulary continuous ASR: Acoustic modeling. Language modeling 
Deep Learning for language modelling and automatic speech recognition. 
Toolkits

**Learning time:** 10h 
Theory classes: 10h

### 4. Speech synthesis

**Description:**
Linguistic processing. Prosody modeling 
Waveform generation. 
Concatenation and statistical methods. 
Deep learning in speech synthesis.

**Learning time:** 7h 
Theory classes: 7h
5. Machine Translation

**Description:**
Introduction to Machine Translation. Statistical Machine Translation
Neural Machine Translation
Speech translation.

**Learning time:** 7h
  Theory classes: 7h

**Qualification system**
Midterm exam: 25%, assignments: 30%, research work: 45%

**Bibliography**

**Basic:**