

# Miquel Angel India Al|ML Engineer, PhD

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## Work Experience

## 2023-2024 Senior Speech Researcher. VÓCALI S.L.

- Finding/implementing solutions for Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR).
- Developing tools for model analysis in kaldi-based acoustic and language models (LMs).
- Stack: Python, Bash, C++, Kaldi.

## 2020-2023 Principal Scientist. Encert Predict S.L.

- Leading and mentoring a team of 5 data scientists and software engineers, while also contributing as *individual contributor*.
- Designing Deep Learning (**DL**) and Reinforcement Learning (**RL**) models trained to create market signals or to optimize **FOREX** portfolios.
- Implemented an **E2E** platform to invest in the **FOREX** market using signals created by AI models.
- Stack: Python, Pytorch, SQL, Bash, MLFlow, Grafana, IB.

### 2018-2021 ML/AI Engineer. Verbio Technologies S.L.

- Implemented an AI based platform to train **E2E ASR** models.
- $\circ\,$  Implemented a web-socket based solution for an online/offline  $\ensuremath{\textbf{ASR}}$  system.
- Trained **ASR** models for different clients and languages: English, Spanish and Japanese.
- Mentoring to the **ASR** team in **DL** and state-of-the-art (SOTA) systems.
- Leading a team of 2 data scientists in the development of speech multi-task models for a European project.
- Contributed to the design, the implementation and the training of **language identification** systems based on **DL** models.
- Contributed to the design, the implementation and the training of speaker verification **SV** systems based on **DL** models.
- Contributed to the design, the implementation and the training of speaker diarization systems based on ML/DL models for the call transcription task.
- Stack: Python, Numpy, Pytorch, Tensorflow, C++, Bash, Kaldi, ESPNet.

#### 2017-2022 Research Assistant. TALP Research Center

- Designed and implemented **speaker diarization** models for the **call tran**scription task.
- Explored the combination of acoustic and lexical information for **speaker diarization** systems.
- Designed and implemented a **DL** based system for fraudulent trademark registrations detection.
- Designed a **DL** topology for the **speaker verification** task from scratch.
- Explored attention models for the pooling block of a speaker embedding extractor **DL** model.
- Stack: Python, C++, Bash, Numpy, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras.

#### 2017 Research Intern. Caixabank S.L.

- Implemented and evaluated different **DL** based topologies for the Named Entity Recognition (**NER**) task for Automatic Dialog systems.
- Stack: Python, Tensorflow, Keras.

#### 2015-2016 Research Assistant. TALP Research Center

- Designing and implementing **Speaker Recognition** and **Multimodal Person Identification** systems.
- Stack: Python, Tensorflow, C++, Bash.

## Computer science skills

Languages	Python, C/C++, Shell/Bash
Web	Node.js, HTML, CSS, JavaScript
DevOps	Docker, Gitlab/Github, CI/CD, MLFlow, Grafana
Frameworks	Pytorch, Tensorflow/Keras, Numpy/Scipy, Asyncio, SQL

## Professional skills

- **Deep Learning**. Theoretical knowledge on neural network architectures. Practical experience with Keras/Tensorflow/Pytorch.
- **Speech Processing**. Advanced knowledge in Speaker Verification/Identification/Diarization tasks. Practical experience with Speech Recognition and basic knowledge on Speech Synthesis.
- Natural Language Processing. Intermediate knowledge on Natural Language algorithms, more specifically in Automatic Dialog systems.
- **Research Projects Management**. Small teams (<6 persons) management experience using AGILE methodologies.
- **Technical Projects Research/Deployment**. Experience coding with python following CI/CD, clean-coding and TDD protocols and methodologies.

## Educational/Research Background

- 2016-2022 **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**, *Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya*, Deep Learning Methods for Speaker Verification and Diarization.
- 2015-2016 Master of Business Administration (MBA), Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Final grade 8.
- 2007-2015 **Master of Engineering (M.Eng.), Telecommunications Engineering**, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Final grade 6,8.

## Languages

- Catalan Native language
- Spanish Native language
- English Intermediate (C1)

## Last Publications

- 2023 Self Attention Networks in Speaker Recognition, Applied Sciences, Journal published by MPDI.
- 2023 Language Modelling for Speaker Diarization in Telephonic Interviews, Computer Speech & Language 78, 101441.
- 2022 **Speaker Characterization by means of Attention Pooling**, *Iberspeech 2022 Granada, Spain.*
- 2021 **Double multi-head attention for speaker verification**, *ICASSP 2021 Toronto, Canada.*
- 2020 Self-Attention Encoding and Pooling for Speaker Verification, Interspeech 2020, Shangai, Xina.
- 2020 I-Vector Transformation Using K-Nearest Neighbors for Speaker Verification, ICASSP 2020, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2019 Self Multi-Head Attention for Speaker Recognition, Interspeech 2019, Graz, Austria.
- 2019 Auto-Encoding Nearest Neighbor i-vectors for Speaker Verification, Interspeech 2019, Graz, Austria.
- 2018 UPC Multimodal Speaker Diarization System for the 2018 Albayzin Challenge, *Iberspeech 2018, Barcelona, Spain.*
- 2017 LSTM Neural Network-based Speaker Segmentation using Acoustic and Language Modelling, Interspeech 2017, Stockholm, Sweden.

## Honors and Awards

- 2022 PhD qualified with Cum Laude: Deep Learning Methods for Speaker Verification and Diarization.
- 2015 Master thesis qualified with highest honors: UPC System for the 2015 MediaEval Multimodal Person Discovery in Broadcast TV task.