

CLARA Winter School on New Developments in Computational Linguistics

Monday, Feb 13 2012 - Friday, Feb 17, 2012

Evaluation Form

Which course(s) was/were most directly relevant for your own research?

- LABS BY MARTIN & ONDŘEK
- LECTURES BY MILES OSBORNE

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

- LABS BY MARTIN & ONDŘEK WERE THE MOST USEFUL - IT IS ALWAYS EASIER TO LEARN BY 'DOING'
- MILES' LECTURES WERE THE MOST INTERESTING OF THE LECTURES

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

- YES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BLAISE'S SECOND LECTURE WHICH WAS A LITTLE HARD FOR ME TO FOLLOW - MAINLY DUE TO MATHEMATICAL CONTENT

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

- RECOMMENDED READING FROM MILES OSBORNE AND CAFFARELLA BERNARDI
 - RELIED ON KNOWLEDGE FROM MSC TO GET ME THROUGH THE OTHER TWO LECTURE COURSES - THIS WORKED FOR THE MOST PART
 - WOULD HAVE READ EVERY PAPER / READING BEFOREHAND BUT HAD TO DIVERT ATTENTION TO WRITING A PAPER
- Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

- YES. NO COMPLAINTS

Your further suggestions, comments (you can also use the next page):

- THE SECOND LAB BY MARTIN POPEL WAS RATHER DIFFICULT, PERHAPS THIS IS BECAUSE I AM NOT EXPERIENCED IN USING PELL. PERHAPS LABS COULD BE TESTED OUT ON NOVICE USERS FIRST, OR THEY COULD BE RESTRUCTURED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE GROUP IS TAKEN THROUGH THE EXERCISES AS A WHOLE, WITH THE INSTRUCTOR DEMONSTRATING AND EXPLAINING TO THE GROUP. THIS WOULD ALSO MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE INSTRUCTORS TO HANDLE QUESTIONS, RATHER THAN EXPLAINING THE SAME THING TO DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS (REPEATEDLY)

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Andrič Bjara - Wild experimenting in MT.

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Deep Dict was interesting (although not directly in field of research).
getting stuff done with Big Data ~~was~~ had lots of fruitful ideas.

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

A mixture of ok (Deep Dict, getting stuff done...) and a bit advanced (but in a right proportion) (Spoken Dialogue Systems).

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Exercises: TREEEX, Dialogue System experiment, error
Reading: ASR, Moses (points of interest)

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yes! Everything was excellent!

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E. Bick, and his constraint grammar lecture

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Ondřej Bojar delivered a very engaging lecture

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Some courses were too introductory - little assumptions about prerequisites like basic machine learning methods

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Trees & emma practical configuration on our laptops
for future use in NLP experiments; DeepDict/CG reading materials.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

No problems, everything went smoothly

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Natural Language Processing with Treeex (M. Popel)

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Wild Experimenting in Machine Translation (O. Bojar)

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Yes

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Installed Treeex (on Windows!).
Read Moses tutorial, a bit about machine learning for
B. Thomson's course.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

Overall very satisfied. Then I didn't get information about
lab. ~~at~~ 16:30, Feb 16 in time.

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Machine Translation

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Statistical Spoken Dialogue Systems

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

too detail for someone ~~that~~ that have different research topic.
No direct application for ~~various~~ ^{different} research topic

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I did the exercise/lab session, no reading

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

Yes

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Unfortunately, distributional semantics was cancelled due to illness.

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Blaine's course on machine learning and Thilo's course on big data

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

yes, but the last were too basic

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I did all the reading, but I did not manage with the reading

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

The course was organized efficiently, but the readings were sent too late. Everybody was very friendly and helpful.

Your further suggestions, comments (you can also use the next page):

good winter school!

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Eckhard Bick - DeepDiet, a Data-driven Relational Dictionary Tool

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

[Eckhard Bick] and Blaise Thompson - Statistical Spoken Dialogue Syst.

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

The courses ^{of} Eckhard Bick and Blaise Thompson ~~was~~ of a relevant level. but ~~the~~ the course: Wild Experiment in MT missed its main point. (too advanced).

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Even I've done ~~the~~ Eckhard Bick exercises and the ones from Wild Experiment in MT

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Miles Osborne - Getting stuff done with Big Data
Blaise Thomson - Statistical spoken dialogue systems

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

The two above + Wild Experimenting in MT & NLP with Trex

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Very satisfied - relevant level

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

~25%

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

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Talks by Miles Osborne, Eckhard Bick

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Miles Osborne, Blaise Thomson talks.

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Yes. Very much.

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I read the Miles Osborne & Eckhard Bick lecture readings.
Regarding exercises, some of the tree ones.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

Yes. Very much

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DeepDict

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

DeepDict, Treex, Machine Translation

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Some courses were too technical for me
e.g. "Statistical Spoken Dial. Systems" and "Big Data"
others were just perfect

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Treex-exercises; Machine Translation-ex.;
DeepDict & Dist. Compositionality; Machine Transl.-reading

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

yes

Your further suggestions, comments (you can also use the next page):

I wish there were some lab for DeepDict course
as well, and there were more linguistic/semantic
aspects covered (pity prof. Bernardi couldn't come :-)

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Unfortunatelly, it was Raffaella Bernardi's.

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Blaise Thomson's course was excellent. Dick also good.
As an application I also liked the MALACH project.

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Yes, not everything was easy to follow but it was ok.

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

Most of Bernardi's, background for Moses,
paper on DeepDiet.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

yes, but reading list could have been published earlier

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Wild experimenting with Moses
DeepDict, a data-driven Relational Dictionary Tool

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Statistical Spoken Dialogue Systems
Wild experimenting ~~with~~ in Machine Translation

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Some of them were too technical for me and despite I thought they were interesting I could not follow very well

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I have done most of the exercises. As for the readings, I tried to read most of it, but there were too many to read everything before coming to Prague (see next question)

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

The recommended readings were ~~too~~ sent too late ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~school~~

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Eckhard's DeepDiet

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

also Eckhard Birk's DeepDiet.

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory) / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I've done some part with Arlee, but it seemed a little buggy to me, so definitely not all of it. I've done also exercise on Emma, which was quite good. Recommended reading? I couldn't find any.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

Could be better, but nevertheless it was ok. I learned some interesting stuff.

Your further suggestions, comments (you can also use the next page):

There weren't good coffee breaks - still the same, only sweet food - this could be changed :)

Also there were too long break for coffee and lunch - too much time wasted there.

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None of them were directly related, but it was useful to hear most of them.

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

Eckhard Bick: Deep Dict, a Data-driven Relational Dictionary Tool
Blaise Thousson: Statistical Spoken Dialogue Systems

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Courses are ~~very diff~~ covering different topics and since not all of people know everything in all those fields, I feel some courses should have had better introduction

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

I have done everything but Treex exercises.

I read a lot from recommended reading. I think recommended literature should have been announced earlier. I didn't read only Raffaella Bernardi's recommended readings because there were too many listed.

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

I didn't like the food in lunch cafeteria. There should be a bit more care for people with food restrictions. It was a pity that I paid for all lunches beforehand, to realise that I have to go and eat ^{somewhere else.}

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big data, dialogue system

Which course(s) do you appreciate best (you have learnt most, it was most interesting, ...)?

dialogue system

Are you satisfied with the level of the courses (too introductory / of relevant level / too advanced)?

Yes

Which part of the exercises have you actually done and which part of the recommended reading have you actually read?

All the exercises, ^{of} own readings

Are you satisfied with the organization of the school, have you got relevant information in time?

Yes

Your further suggestions, comments (you can also use the next page):

N/A