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IEEE Computer Society members and guests advance their knowledge on emerging issues and get up-to-date on current trends and hot-button topics. The process of assessing risk and securing the information assets of any organization continues to change and grow in complexity. Legislation, new threats and interconnected networks continue to make the technology professional’s task more difficult and daunting. The IEEE Computer Society Rock Stars series assists professional in preparing for the challenges and issues they face today, as well as those that will come tomorrow.

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Machine Learning/Deep Learning Speakers

Human Language Technology and Machine Learning
Hassan Sawaf, Director of AI, Amazon Web Services
Hassan will discuss his expertise opening up new markets and opportunities with smart application of Artificial Intelligence and application-driven research in AI, in particular in language technology, speech processing, computer vision and computational reasoning.
Bio: With nearly 20 years of expertise in language technologies, Hassan Sawaf is well-recognized in the field of machine translation, speech recognition, and machine learning. As Director of AI at Amazon Web Services, Hassan’s focus is building services and technologies to fuel Amazon and Amazon AWS customer initiatives with human language technology and machine learning.

Understanding How Biologically Inspired Computing May Help us Build Machines that Perceive the World as We Do
M. Anthony Lewis, Sr. Director, Qualcomm
Lewis will discuss his work in evolutionary and biomorphic robotics, formation control of robotic systems, and investigations into the basis of movement control in humans and robots. Lewis and Colleagues demonstrated a robot that claimed to be the most biologically accurate model of human locomotion to date. This robotic uses a muscle architecture much like a human being, a simplified neural circuit meant to mimic neurons in the spinal cord, and sensory feedback mimicking the primary sensory pathways found in human.
Bio: M. Anthony Lewis, Ph.D., is a robotics researcher and serves as a Senior Director of Technology at Qualcomm Technologies. His expertise is in bio-inspired robotics, neuromorphic engineering, and machine learning. He is past CEO of Iguana Robotics, a company specializing in the development of biomorphic robotics technologies.

Extracting Data from Tables and Charts in Natural Document Formats
David Rosenberg, Data Scientist, Office of the CTO, Bloomberg
Financial analysis depends on accurate financial data, and these data are often distributed via PDF and other “natural document” formats. While these formats are optimized for easy human comprehension, automatically extracting the data can be quite challenging. In this talk, we’ll describe our work using a deep learning pipeline to extract data from tables and charts in PDF documents. We’ll also show some of our latest research, inspired by image captioning models, for going directly from images of tables to a markup language (LaTeX) representation.

Program Machines to Deep Learn and Solve Big Data Investment Problems
Veryan Allen, Data Scientist, ML & DL, Bank of America; Merrill Lynch
The discussion will cover all aspects of machine programming with the exploration of Data Science, deep learning, computational intelligence, and multi-criteria decision optimization.
Bio: Veryan Allen has a background in programming machines to learn, identify facts and solve big data investment problems. His extensive experience includes data science, deep learning, computational intelligence, multi-criteria decision optimization.

Big Metamorphosis*: Spinning up Well-Architected Stacks for Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence
Janet George, Fellow/Chief Data Scientist, Big Data Platform/Data Science/Cognitive Computing, Western Digital/Sandisk
Western Digital is building global core competencies, shaping, driving and implementing the Big Data platform, products and technologies, using advanced analytics, machine learning and pattern recognition with semiconductor/Flash Memory manufacturing data from the ground up. Industry experience, skillset, and background are in Big Data Platform; Machine Learning, Distributed Computing, Compliers and Artificial Intelligence/Cognitive Computing.
Bio: Prior served as Managing Director Big Data/Chief Data Office/Scientist (Vice President level) at Accenture Technology Labs, responsible for Big Data Platform; Machine Learning, Cognitive Computing and open-innovation. Prior served as Head of Yahoo Labs/Research Engineering inventing Next Generation Platforms, Cloud Infrastructures and Machine Learning for Big Data and also at eBay and Apple Computer amongst others.

Trends and Developments in Deep Learning
Rajat Monga, Engineering Director, Tensorflow at Google Brain
Deep Learning has come of age over the last few years. Neural networks have been around for decades - what changed over the last few years to make them successful? This talk will describe what got deep learning over the hump, go over some of the recent successes in this field and discuss their implications. The pace of innovation in deep learning is staggering - is it going to continue? The presentation will provide a perspective on research directions that have the potential to keep the innovation going and even accelerate it further.
Bio: Rajat Monga leads TensorFlow, a popular open source machine-learning library that aims to bring the power of AI to everyone. He is one of the founding members of the Google Brain team and is interested in making machines smarter for improving people’s lives.

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