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## **WEDNESDAY MID-DAY**

### ***Keynote Speaker***

2:30pm - 3:30pm

### **Perception: The Next Milestone in Learned Image Compression**

Johannes Ballé

*Google*

Since its emergence roughly 5 years ago, the field of learned data compression has attracted considerable attention. Using machine learning in source coding promises faster innovation cycles, as well as better adaptation to novel data modalities and nonlinear distortion metrics. For example, image codecs can now be end-to-end optimized to perform best for specific types of images, by simply replacing the training set. They may be designed to minimize a given perceptual metric, or in fact any differentiable perceptual loss function, without the need to evaluate it during encoding. However, as has been demonstrated, many existing perceptual models are not useful for end-to-end training. They do not generalize well enough, no matter how well they may predict human judgements on image quality datasets. In this talk, I will first give an overview of the current state of learned image compression, and then focus on what I consider the next big milestone: finding new and better ways to model visual perception.

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## THURSDAY MID-DAY

### ***Keynote Speaker***

2:30pm - 3:30pm

### **Pangenomic FM-indexes**

Prof. Travis Gagie

*Dalhousie University*

DNA alignment has been a killer app for the FM-index, but aligning DNA reads against a single genome can bias research results and medical diagnoses. In the past few years we have found ways to FM-index datasets of thousands of genomes, but researchers want the results expressed in terms of compact representations called pangenome graphs. Hundreds of matches in the dataset may correspond to only one or two matches in the graph. Given a read, therefore, we would like to find which parts of it match well and where they match in the graph, in time depending on the length of the read and the number of matches in the graph but not on the number of matches in the dataset. We are now closing in on that goal; this talk will give a high-level view of the challenges and some potential solutions.

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