

## simon

## Open-Source Speech Recognition

Developed by the non profit organization Simon Listens in cooperation with Cyber-Byte IT services

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## The Challenge

- According to EU: 6.4 \% suffer from disabilities affecting their arms and hands
- 500 Mio * $6.4 \%=\sim 32 \mathrm{~m}$
- Reference: Finland + Norway + Sweden = ~ 20m
- Same study: 0.4 \% suffer from speech impairment
- ~ 2m

Source: eurostat, [hlth_db_emtyag]

## simon: The Idea

- Speech recognition system
- Extremely flexible
- Adapts to the user
- Even speech impairments are no issue
- Community: Potential
- Free software


## simon: The Implementation

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- Based on
- Julius
- HTK
- KDE4
- C++
- Supports
- GNU/Linux
- Windows



## Speech recognition

## Speech model

## Recognizer

Language model

- Vocabulary
- Grammar

Acoustic model

- Sounds


## Speech recognition

1. Recording utterance


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## 1. Recording utterance <br> 2. Parameterization

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## Speech recognition

1. Recording utterance
2. Parameterization
3. Statistic comparison with acoustic model
4. Comparison with vocabulary and grammar
5. Output most probable solution

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## simon: Flexibility

- Language model: Scenarios
- „Use-case-packages"
- Vocabulary
- Grammar
- Commands
- Trainings texts
- Acoustic model: Base models
- Static
- Adapted


## simon 0.3 alpha 3

- Demonstration of simon 0.3:
- Firefox
- Amarok
- XBMC


## Get involved

- Donate speech: http://www.voxforge.org
- Create and share scenarios
- Software development
- Translation and documentation
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Questions?


Thanks!

