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Manolis Fragkiadakis was born in Athens, Greece on the 2nd of November 1988, and grew up in the suburb of Pefki. After graduating from the 1st General High School of Pefki he studied Digital Systems at the University of Piraeus and successfully completed his 4-year degree in 2013 majoring in e-learning. He worked as a mathematics and informatics tutor for a while before starting a job as a software developer. Interested in the intersection between art and computer science he decided to pursue a master's degree in Media Technology, at the Leiden Institute of Advanced Computer Science (LIACS) of Leiden University in the Netherlands in 2014. He conducted his master's thesis on the influence of surround sound on visual fixations during voluntary video viewing under the supervision of Maarten H. Lamers and Bernhard Hommel and graduated with a Master of Science degree in 2016. He started his Ph.D in April 2017 on comparison of sign language corpora under the supervision of Prof.dr. M.P.G.M. Mous, Dr. V.A.S. Nyst and Dr. P.W.H. van der Putten. His research interests lie in sign language recognition, computer vision and data science.