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PhD Candidate



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About me —

If I had to describe myself in one word, it would be "enthusiastic". I am deeply passionate about scientific research and have dedicated my career to pursuing it, even when it meant taking risks and turning down more secure job opportunities. I have never regretted these decisions, as they have allowed me to pursue my scientific interests. My fascination with robotics, optimization and AI has been a constant theme, and I am excited by the endless opportunities that arise from the intersection of these two fields.



[The skill scale is from 0 (Fundamen-

tal Awareness) to 6 (Expert).]

Education

2019-2022 M. Sc. Autonomous Systems (ToR, Certificate) **University of Stuttgart**

Focus in robotics and AI (German Grade 1.5 | GPA 3.5/4.0).

- · Master thesis: "Targeted generation of necessary training data by generative neural networks." (Abstract, Code).
- Two practical projects:
 - Sensor fusion (combining of stereo and color camera) (Report [GER]).
 - Paper Elaboration : A theoretical evaluation of a paper in the "Explainable AI"-area (Report [GER]).

2016-2019 B. Eng. Electrical Engineering (ToR, Certificate (GER)) **Baden-Wuerttemberg** Cooperative State (DHBW) Stuttgart

Focus on automation and data science. My Bachelor's thesis involved the development of an automated system for generating electrical circuit plans based on sales offers.

[Experience]

2022-today PhD Candidate

University of Stuttgart - Institute of Industrial Automation and Software Engineering (IAS)

I am currently exploring physics-based AI and generative models for robotics applications. Due to my interest in optimization and robotics, my research is guided towards mathematics and I am eager to learn new mathematical concepts.

2019-2022 Robotic development (Job reference [GER]) Working Student at Festo SE & Co. KG

As a member of the "Application & Simulation" team, I specialized in simulation-based robotic tasks optimization for industry pilot projects in challenging environments.

2016-2019 Hardware engineering (Job reference [GER]) **Dual Student at Siemens AG**

I gained experience in professional programming, automated data processing and data science.

Scientific Research

My research interests revolve around the fields of robotics, optimization, and artificial intelligence, with a particular focus on exploring their interdisciplinarity. Currently, I am investigating the potential of physics-based AI and generative models.

Languages German (native), English (C1), French (basics)

Social Engagement

- Treffpunkt Adler 71254 Ditzingen: I help elderly comprehend the internet while supporting their understanding of new digital concepts.
- Arbeiterkinder e.V. 70173 Stuttgart: I provide encouragement, support and mentoring to students without academic parents.

Interests

My interests include cooking, making music, and hiking. I have a passion for testing and implementing new robotics and artificial intelligence algorithms on ROS. Additionally, I am an active member of an academic fraternity in Stuttgart, where I organize events and participate in various projects.