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Special Interests

- **√**× Mathematical Modelling
- **■** Data Science to Production & Data-Driven Services
- Causal Inference & Uncertainty Quantification
- Recommender Systems & Personalisation
- Python Data Stack & Creator of PyScaffold

Work Experience

02/2020 - today

Head of Data Science, *inovex GmbH*, Cologne, Germany.

Team lead and driver of the field of Data Science within inovex. Tasks:

- managing a heterogeneous team of data/ML engineers and data scientists,
- sparring partner and consultant in data science projects,
- technical account manager and presales,
- strategic expansion and further development of our data science business.

04/2016 - 01/2020

Principal Data Scientist, *inovex GmbH*, Cologne, Germany.

Consultant for Data Science, mathematical modelling and Big Data maximizing the benefits of the digital transformation for our customers. Tasks:

- recommendation engine and user preference service for the e-commerce company mobile.de,
- fraud and account takeover detection for a large e-commerce company,
- learning to rank to improve search results of customers for a large e-commerce company,
- research projects in OCR with deep learning, NLP interface for SQL, reinforcement learning and uncertainty quantification,
- project lead, support of presales activities and supervisor for bachelor and master students.

11/2015 - 03/2016

Senior Professional: Data Scientist, *CSC Consulting GmbH*, Cologne, Germany. Consultant for advanced Data Science, Big Data and Analytics solutions:

- predictive maintenance for a component manufacturer of commercial vehicles,
- training and coaching of new employees in the field of Data Science,
- support of PreSales activities, i.e. presentations, customer events, preparation of offers and cost estimation.

12/2012 - 09/2015Senior Data Scientist, Blue Yonder, Karlsruhe, Germany.

Predictive analytics and statistical modelling in Big Data projects:

- demand forecasts & replenishment for a consumer packaged goods company as project leader,
- forecasts of the production costs for a large manufacturing company as project leader,
- algorithms for trade promotion management for the consumer goods industry,
- price & trend forecasts of raw materials for a large chemical producer,
- demand forecasts for a global discount supermarket chain,
- participation in the development of the Blue Yonder Forward Demand product,
- tutor in the Data Science Academy,
- contributions to open-source projects like Scikit-Learn, SciPy, PyScaffold and PyDSE.

03/2009 - 11/2012

Research Assistant & Postdoc, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT).

Work on a BMBF-funded project during PhD and Head of the Research Lab for Application and Innovation at the Institute of Applied and Numerical Mathematics at KIT as Postdoc since 02/2012.

Education

03/2009 - 01/2012**Graduation**, KIT, Karlsruhe, Germany, Grade: 1.0 "magna cum laude".

> Graduation at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) in the field of numerical simulation and optimization of climate models on high-performance computer clusters.

Dipl. Mathematics, *University of Karlsruhe*, Germany, *Grade: 1.3*. 10/2002 - 12/2008

Studies with emphasis on numerical mathematics and computer science as subsidiary subject.

Year abroad, University of Linköping, Sweden. 08/2006 - 07/2007

One year abroad in Sweden with the Erasmus program.

09/2001 - 05/2002Basic Military Service, 1. PzArtLBtl 345, Kusel, Germany.

08/1992 - 06/2001Abitur, Leibniz Gymnasium, Neustadt an der Weinstraße, Germany, Grade 1.8.

Language Skills

Germany

mother tongue

English business fluent

IT Skills

Programming

SQL •••• Python •••• NumPy/SciPy •••• Pandas •••• Scikit-learn •••• Matplotlib/Seaborn •••• PyTorch •••• (Num)Pyro •••• Cython •••• Parallel Programming •••• Databricks Spark ••••

Operating Systems

Linux (LPI Level 1 & NCLA certified) •••• MacOS •••• Windows ••••

Office Software

Word •••• Excel ••• Powerpoint ••••

Miscellaneous

Git •••• Agile Software Development •••• LATEX••••

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