Martin Thoma

Curriculum Vitæ

Work Experience

2017

IT Consultant

Working for Netlight Consulting GmbH

2014

Student research assistant developing neural nets for on-line handwriting recognition

My bachelors thesis includes getting on-line data of handwritten mathematical symbols, preprocessing, extracting features and using neural nets to classify those symbols. The data was collected with write-math.com. All results are available there, too.

2013

Software Developer

improving KIT lecture translator

I've implemented and integrated an unsupervised acoustic model training framework into KIT lecture translator system for automatic model adaption.

2013

Scientific lector

IAFX, German and computer science

I've corrected a script for computer engineering.

2012

Tutor for programming

teaching students programming at university

I taught people about 30 students how to program in Java. Coding conventions and basic OOP was part of the course. All of my German presentations are online. → presentations

2011

Freelancer at KTC

programming for a consulting company

At KTC, I gained first experiences with buisness-logic and a big, but algorithmically not challenging project. To be honest, I only fixed some Java bugs.

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Education

2014 – 2017 Master of Science

Computer Science

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

2011 – 2014 Bachelor of Science

Computer Science

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)
Carnegie Mellon University (CMU)
Thesis about On-line Recognition of

Handwritten Mathematical Symbols (Link)

2004 – 2010 Abitur

Intensive course physics and mathematics Paul-Klee-Gymnasium Gersthofen

Awards

2010 Winner

Federal Competition for Computer Science

2009 2nd prize - regional competition

Youth Research Competition

2008 1st prize

data analysis competition at University of Augsburg

2007 Prize for science and research

FOCUS pupils competition

Computer Skills

Basic Knowledge JavaScript

Linux, SQL, PHP

Intermediate Knowledge LATEX, Java, HTML

Good Knowledge Python

Language Skills

German mother tongue

English Cambridge Certificate - C1

French DELF A2

Work Experience

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Student research assistant at Institute of Toxicology and Genetics, KIT

participating in a university research project

In summer 2011 I worked for over a month for a research project at KIT. I have written bash scripts for file conversions, fixed some bugs and re-written a slow Mathematica script in a much faster Python version. But it quickly turned out that this project had a lot of C++ source which was rarely commented or documented. I realized, that I wouldn't have time for this project after beginning my studies at university.

since 2011

Freelance Work building an online service

I have started to work as a freelancer at the beginning of 2011. I have developed an online-service which helped schools to coordinate their dates. I have sold this online service to two schools in bavaria and three other schools were interested. Unfortunately, the ministry of education of Bavaria released an application with similar functionality in 2012. This was the reason why I decided to shut down my service.

since 2006

HackIts, Puzzles and Challenges ProjectEuler, bright-shadows.net and many more

I really love solving logical, algorithmical or math puzzles and participated in competitions. I started to solve puzzles in 2006 and I still like them. This was the reason why I participated in a practical curse at KIT for preparation for ICPC. It was fun, but I found out that many people are much faster in producing C++code that passed the tests than I am. However, as I've been very successfull at the Federal Competition for Computer Science ("Bundeswettbewerb Informatik") it seems as if I'm better in problem solving if I get more time to think about it.

Future plans and motivation

The next step in my academic career is finishing the masters degree in computer science with a minor in mathematics.

Besides my studies, I have built a machine learning students group called *Machine Learning Karlsruhe* (ml-ka.de). In this group we organize regular "Paper Discussion Groups" in which we, talk about papers about convolutional networks. We want have regular talks about machine learning in general as well as practical sessions where we try to apply the algorithms.

Projects

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02/2016	A Survey of Semantic Segmentation writing a review paper about the work in the area \rightarrow read more	
01/2016	Creativity in Machine Learning a little project to help people understand my fascination about the topic→ read more	
05/2015	Semantic Segmentation with CNNs classifying street for self-driving cars	
11/2013	Book about Geometry and Topology writing an introduction to geometry and topology → read more	
06/2013	Interpolation creating an interactive HTML5/JS-example for interpolation → read more	
06/2012	Matrix multiplication examining algorithms and libraries for matrix multiplication → read more	
09/2011	Blogging on martin-thoma.com about Algorithms, the Web, University,	
06/2011	Community Chess This is a platform for programmers. They can use the API to create A.I.s that play chess agains each other. \rightarrow read more	

Online Courses

09/2013	Artificial Intelligence for Robotics finished 10/2013	Udacity
06/2013	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence finished 08/2013	Udacity
05/2012	Algorithms I finished 07/2012	Stanford
06/2010	Introduction to Computer Science and Programming finished 09/2010	MIT

Profiles

StackExchange	careers.stackoverflow.com/thoma
arXiv	arxiv.org/a/thoma_m_1
LinkedIn	linkedin.com/in/themoosemind