# eliasobeid

## master of science in computer science and engineering

# about

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## language

trilingual danish/english/arabic

## programming, markup, and tools

C, C++, C#, CUDA, Java, JavaScript, Python, Ruby, Lua, SQL, NoSQL, ReQL, Haskell (learning), Git, SVN, Docker, Vim, Terminal, ﷺ, Linux, Windows

## main interests

cryptology machine learning computer security multi-agent system software engineering

# education

2007-2010

2014–2016 **M.Sc.** Computer Science and Engineering The Technical University of Denmark Four semesters (120 ECTS) of four months each. Master thesis with the topic of machine translation and natural language processing.

2011–2014 **B.Sc.** Computer Science The University of Aalborg Six semesters (180 ECTS) of four months each. Bachelor project with the topic of genetic algorithms.

**Student**Communication and Media

# work experience

#### since 2016 **Software engineer**

The founder of Seez has a vision of making it easier and more transparent to sell/buy a used car. I am mainly in charge of the back-end architecture of the company. I re-built the company's API with Flask (a python framework). I maintain the servers, the file storage, and DNS, which is hosted by AWS. The API runs inside a Docker container, from which it serves data for the android and iOS apps. The API is connected to a RethinkDB database.

I use Git and Dokku for easy version control and deployment of the API. Moreover, in collaboration with my colleagues, we used Scrapy for data crawling. With that data we were able to apply machine learning techniques to approximate prices of the used car market.

#### 2015–2016 Student developer

Berlingske People A/S, Radio24syv

The Technical Gymnasium of Aalborg

Development of website, API infrastructure, and other IT tools used internally. Mainly development with NodeJS with ExpressJs, AngularJS, and C#. For serving the IT systems we used Heroku and custom local servers.

Moreover, some other systems had been outsourced to third party contractors. On the custom local servers, we used git and Dokku for easy deployment and revision control of the developed code. The services were connected to third party data sources along with a local MongoDB database.

#### 2014–2015 **Student developer**

Falck Healthcare A/S

Development of a booking system for a service, that Falck Healthcare offers its clients. Mainly web development with Ruby on Rails. The booking service stored data in a PostgreSQL database.

#### 08–12 2013 Assistant teacher

The University of Aalborg

Assistant teacher in imperative programming with C.

#### 02-07 2011 Private (national service)

Danish Emergency Management Agency

Firefighting education and emergency duty.

# publications

#### Oct 2016 Neural Machine Translation with Characters and Hierarchical Encoding

arxiv.org/abs/1610.06550

We propose a model for translating between languages with a hierarchical architecture. It is fed with sequences of characters from a source language and produces a translated sequence of characters in a target language. We argue that, by comparison to current state of the art models, this hierarchical architecture reduces computational complexity, and that it improves translation performance.

# other activity

- 2011–2011 **Education in Firefighting** Danish Emergency Management Agency Fire, Rescue, Environment and Communication.
- 2013–2014 **Member of the Board of Studies**Discussions of applications of qualifications and exemptions, study lines, quality assurance of education and the like.
- 2012–2014 **Volunteer mentor**A project called Sunshine youth, with the purpose of motivating youngsters for an education in Aalborg (Denmark).