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EDUCATION

Technical University of Munich (TUM)

PhD in Computer Science / Informatics

April 2023 - now

University of Groningen

MSc Information Science (cum laude)

BSc Information Science

BA Communication & Information Sciences

Sept 2021 - Aug 2022

Sept 2018 - Aug 2021 Sept 2016 - Jan 2020

Relevant professional experience

Research associate, Technical University of Munich

April 2023 - now

Fully funded PhD position in researching various applied NLP fields.

Junior machine learning engineer, Web-IQ

May 2021 - March 2023

Web-IQ structures and collects online data that is used in solving crimes such as fraud, child abuse and human trafficking. I worked on a variety of machine learning solutions, specifically related to natural language processing. I created models for information extraction, classification, clustering and matching. Tools: python, pandas, huggingface, spacy, pytorch, fastapi, docker and occasionally java.

Software developer, Beeproger

Jul 2019 - May 2021

Beeproger creates custom software solutions. I worked on projects ranging from apps for start-ups to planning software for construction companies. Most of my work was in software that dealt with billing and planning. I also interfaced with numerous external (legacy) systems to import or export data from and to. Tools: laravel, mysql, php, typescript, react, react-native and occasionally graphql.

Student assistant, University of Groningen

May 2020 - Aug 2020

I assisted dr. W. Vuijk in updating and translating the course Rijk van de Schaarste from Dutch to English, now Philosophy of Communication.

Teaching assistant, University of Groningen

Sept 2019 - Dec 2019

For the course Introduction to Programming I from dr. L. Bosveld I gave seminars, helped students and graded weekly programming assignments in Python.

Student assistant, University of Groningen

Mar 2019 - June 2019

For this project, I helped dr. Y. Ongena with translating her study book Onderzoek doen met vragenlijsten (Doing research with questionnaires) from Dutch to English.

Student assistant, University of Groningen

Aug 2018 - May 2019

I helped prof. dr. J. Hoeks with several research-related tasks. These were, among others; translating, transcribing, creating questionnaires, distributing research material and performing statistical analyses. I was a member of the selection committee for hiring new assistant professors for Communication & Information Sciences (2018 and 2019).

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Professional

python, typescript (javascript), php, (my)sql, java

Computer

Academic/hobby

LaTeX, C, golang, prolog, R

Notable libraries

spacy, huggingface, pandas, pytorch, laravel, react(-native)

Other

Comfortable with working in Unix-like environments, good and practical

knowledge of git, basics of ci/cd, basics of docker

Dutch Native speaker Languages West-Frisian Native speaker

English

Professional speaking and writing skills

- 2. W. Poelman, R. van Noord, & J. Bos (2022). Transparent Semantic Parsing with Universal Dependencies using Graph Transformations. In Proceedings of the 29th International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING-2022), pages 4186-4192, Gyeongju, Republic of Korea. International Committee on Computational Linguistics.

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- 1. W. Poelman[†], F. van den Berg[‡], G. Danoe[‡], E. Ploeger[‡], L. Edman, & T. Caselli (2022). RUG-1-Pegasussers at SemEval-2022 Task 3: Data Generation Methods to Improve Recognizing Appropriate Taxonomic Word Relations. *In Proceedings of the 16th International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation (SemEval-2022)*, pages 247-254, Seattle, United States. Association for Computational Linguistics. [ACL Anthology] [Slides] [Poster]

[‡] Equal contribution.