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#### SUMMARY

I am an ML engineer and with 10+ years of experience in software engineering and applied AI research (Natural Language Processing - NLP, Knowledge Graph, Autonomous Driving).

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Leibniz University Hannover

Hannover, Germany

Doctor of Natural Sciences (Dr.rer.nat) — Magna cum laude

August 2018

• Topic: Natural Language Processing & Knowledge Graph

### Saarland University, Max Planck Institute for Informatics

Saarbrücken, Germany

Master of Computer Science — Graduated with Distinction (Grade: 1.3)

May 2011

- International Max Planck Research School Master Fellowship
- Relevant Courses: Database, Artificial Intelligence, Software Engineering, Large-scale Graphs, Practical Security

### Hanoi University of Science and Technology

Hanoi, Vietnam

Bachelor of Engineering — Graduated with Excellence (Grade: 8.9 / 10)

May 2008

- Excellent student research award
- Major: Computer Science (Minor: Information Systems)

### High School for Gifted Students, Hanoi University of Science

Hanoi, Vietnam

High school Diploma — Graduated with Excellence (Grade: 54 / 60)

May 2003

• Member of National Mathematics Olympiad team

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Senior Machine Learning Engineer

Feb 2023 - present

Meta Platforms

Stuttgart (remote), Germany

Senior Expert

Nov 2022 - Feb 2023

Robert Bosch GmbH — Mobility Solutions

Stuttgart, Germany

- Build an end-to-end ML prototype to win customer buy-in in field data quality management projects.
- Delivered 2 models for mainstream products, integrate with internal dashboard.

#### Technical Lead

Sep 2020 - Oct 2022

Robert Bosch GmbH — Global Services division

Stuttgart, Germany

- Lead engineering team to build a ML system that reduced processing time of customer requirements to 85% using hybrid models (NLP, Near-Duplicate Detection, rule-based classifiers).
- Work with DevOps team to streamline models from in-house GPU cluster to AWS EKS for 3 customers.
- Support product owner and project leader in talk with stakeholders, help grow team (3 in 2019 to 11 in 2022).

### Senior R&D Engineer

Jan 2020 - Oct 2022

Robert Bosch GmbH — Mobility Solutions

Abstatt, Germany

- Developed Minimal Viable Products with autonomous driving team for internal use cases:
  - Brake Analysis: Processed 100 TB measure data to allow visualization in in-house dashboard (QlikSense).
  - Road Sign Recognition: Processed public and internal data (28 countries), developed retrieval and augmentation service for an in-house labelling tool that led to 13% model improvement.
- Contribute to publicly-funded project KI-Wissen (Work package 1.4 Knowledge extraction).

• Collaborate with corporate research: 4 internal reports, 1 patent application, 5 peer-reviewed publications.

### Interim Sub-project Leader, Product Owner

Robert Bosch GmbH — Mobility Solutions

Jan 2020 - August 2020 Abstatt, Stuttgart, Germany

• Led an internal incubation project, defined roadmap with cross-functional teams, successfully integrated to a corporate top-level project, adding 3 more headcounts for the department.

### Development Engineer

Sep 2017 - December 2019

Robert Bosch GmbH — Mobility Solutions

Abstatt, Germany

- Developed ETL to process internal video data; built semantic search functions (ElasticSearch, Stardog)
- Developed AI model to classify brake quality from test bench data with 80% accuracy using gradient boosting.

Research Intern

Jun 2016 - Sep 2016

IBM Research

Dublin, Ireland

• Extracted decision elements from meeting transcripts (project Debater)

### Research Software Engineer

Aug 2011 - Aug 2017

L3S Research Center

Hannover, Germany

• Worked in 3 EU research projects (Qualimaster, ForgetIT, GLOCAL)

### Freelancer Software Engineer

Oct 2008 - Feb 2009

SaltLux

Seoul, Südkorea

#### Backend Software Developer

Apr 2008 - Oct 2008

Viet Intelligences

Hanoi, Vietnam

### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- 2021 Member of Bosch Developer Advocate Network DAN (gave internal tech talks & tutorials)
- 2020 Participated in nuScenes prediction challenge (top 4 finalists)
- 2016 Presented project results in CeBIT expo
- 2016 External reviewer WSDM 2016
- 2013 External reviewer RecSys 2013

### **SKILLS**

Languages Python, Java, Go, Bash, SQL Platforms Linux, Hadoop, AWS, HPC

Automotive process

V-Model (ASPICE), Functional safety standards (IEC 61508, ISO 26262)

Soft Skills

Agile (Scrum, SAFe), leadership (SCARF, situational), project management

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (in industry. See Google Scholar for publications in academia during PhD)

- System and Method for Road Sign Ground Truth Construction with a Knowledge Graph and Machine Learning, US Patent App. 17/004,133. (See arXiv paper)
  Ji-Eun Kim, Cory Henson, Kevin Huang, Tuan Tran, Wan-Yi Lin.
- Feasible and Adaptive Multimodal Trajectory Prediction with Semantic Maneuver Fusion, IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) (link).
  Hendrik Berkemeyer, Riccardo Franceschini, **Tuan Tran**, Lin Che, Gordon Pipa.
- 2019 Using Knowledge Graphs to Search an Enterprise Data Lake, European Semantic Web Conference (ESWC) (link). Stefan Schmid, Cory Henson, Tuan Tran.
- 2018 A Trio Neural Model for Dynamic Entity Relatedness Ranking, The SIGNLL Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL) (link). Tu Ngoc Nguyen, Tuan Tran, Wolfgang Nejdl.

# LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

 $\ \, \text{Vietnamese}\,\,(native)$ 

English ( $business\ fluent$ )

 $German\ (good)$