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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 ($business\ fluent$)

 $German\ (good)$