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### 2 Professional Career

**December 2009 – 2012**: <u>SAP Research</u>, <u>Business Intelligence Practice</u>, Data Management & Analytics Team, Dresden, Germany

- Researcher (2009)

July 2006 – June 2009: University of Bonn, Institute of Computer Science III, Bonn, Germany:

- Researcher (2006)

**April 1999 – July 2006**: <u>Fraunhofer Institute for Intelligent Analysis and Information Systems</u> (IAIS), the former GMD, Knowledge Discovery Team, Sankt-Augustin, Germany:

- Senior Researcher (2005) - Researcher (2001) - Post-doc (1999)

**August 1989 – March 1999**: <u>Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science</u>, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Laboratory of Artificial Intelligence Systems, Kishinev, Moldova:

- Senior Researcher (1998) - Researcher (1992) - Junior Researcher (1991) - Software Engineer (1989)

### 3 Education

**Ph.D.,** November 1993, Computer Science, <u>Technical University of Moldova</u>, Kishinev, Moldova. Thesis: "*Matrix Representation of Fuzzy Knowledge in Expert Systems*".

**Post graduated,** March 1994: Laboratory of Artificial Intelligence Systems, <u>Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science</u>, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, <u>Kishinev</u>, Moldova. Specialization: *Artificial intelligence, Machine learning, Expert systems, Fuzzy systems* 

MS, June 1989: Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology - MIPT (State University), Dept. of Aerophysics and Space Research. Specialization: Physics, Mathematics, Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, Artificial intelligence, Machine learning. Thesis supervisor: Prof. D.A. Pospelov

# 4 Expertise

My major areas of expertise are in data modeling, querying and analytics, data mining, machine learning; programming and computing paradigms beyond the standard models. More specifically, I have been working in the following areas:

**Data:** Data analysis, Data mining, Machine learning, Data warehouses and OLAP, Business intelligence, Data modeling, In-memory databases, Column stores, Database architectures, Data semantics, Spatial data management

**Knowledge:** Knowledge representation and reasoning, Ontology engineering, Artificial intelligence, Expert systems and DSS, Fuzzy systems, Machine learning, Text mining and search techniques

**Computing:** Distributed computing, Programming paradigms, Programming languages, Grid/cloud computing, P2P systems, Web services, Service-oriented architecture

Visualization: Visual analytics, Exploratory analysis, Geographic information systems

### 5 Results

I have developed a novel approach to data modeling and programming. Concept-oriented model (COM) is a novel general-purpose data model which is aimed at simplifying and unifying typical data modeling tasks. Concept-oriented programming (COP) revisits some basic notions like class and inheritance.

#### [2009-2012] Data analysis and model management

- COQL (initiative project) translator from COQL query language to SAP HANA in-memory engine (Java, antlr)
- Remix (thought leadership project, <u>video</u>) a semantic mash up project (SAP Netweaver Cloud, JavaScript, jQuery, SAP UI5, OSGi, Java, REST).
- Cirrus (ToE project) schema matching for unified modeling
- AMC (productization project) Auto Mapping Core, a generic library for schema matching (Java)

### [2003-2009] Data modeling and programming paradigms

- A novel unified general-purpose data model was developed, <u>concept-oriented model</u> (COM) [2-5,7,9,10]:
  - COM is based on partial order relation for describing data semantics
  - nested partially ordered sets is a formal basis for the model
  - concept-oriented query language (COQL) is a syntactic basis of the model
- A novel approach to programming was developed, <u>concept-oriented programming</u> (COP) [1,6,8]:
  - generalization of classes and inheritance is proposed, called <u>concept</u> and <u>inclusion</u>, respectively
  - COP generalizes OOP and is an alternative to AOP

#### [2006-2009] Grid/cloud computing, Semantic annotations, Semantic web

- Semantic annotations, ontologies, distributed workflow execution
- Evaluation, adaptation and use of the following systems: Globus toolkit, Unicore 5.x/6.x, GRIA 5.x. Gridifying existing applications for these systems.

#### [1999-2006] Data mining, Knowledge discovery in databases, Rule induction

- A novel approach to (dependence) rule induction was developed (Quota) [13]:
  - itemset interestingness is defined as a difference between real probability and expected probability and computed by means of iterative proportional fitting algorithm
  - an efficient method for finding upper bound for this measure of interestingness was proposed (support quota) which allows us to avoid exhaustive search in the space of all itemsets
- A novel approach to fuzzy rule induction was developed [14,17,18,19]:
  - rules are generated from what is known to be impossible (holes in data)
  - an efficient algorithm was proposed based on an original technique called sectioned matrixes
- Data mining system <u>SPIN!</u> was designed and developed [11,12,15]:
  - SPIN! has a plug-in architecture (implemented in Java) so that new components can be easily added
  - SPIN! can use EJBs for running (data mining) algorithms (EJB, JBoss)
- A number of algorithms for spatial data mining and visualization were developed [16]:
  - SQL-based server-side algorithm for spatial data analysis (Oracle spatial, Java)
  - Coupling between SPIN! and CommonGIS geographic information system for spatial data mining (C4.5 tree induction algorithm)
- An experimental system for intelligent analysis of financial time series Activist:
  - Preprocessor for retrieving data and generating new variables from their definition (Java)
  - Analyzer for computing dependencies from multivariate time-series (C++)
  - Postprocessor for carrying out inference and generating signals (Java)
  - Module for retrieving news feeds/forums and finding dependencies with stock indexes using Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- Experimental search engine developed and implemented **COMBIS**:
  - The focus is on finding interesting combinations of words rather than individual word occurrences
  - Simple web interface (JSP, JBoss) and access to Google Search API

## [1989-1999] Artificial intelligence, Expert systems, Fuzzy knowledge representation and inference

- A novel approach to fuzzy knowledge representation and inference [20,21,22]:
  - it generalizes classical normal forms CNF and DNF
  - using sectioned matrixes makes computations much more efficient
  - a generalized form of the operation of fuzzy resolution was introduced
- This formal approach was implemented in several versions of the expert system shell <u>EDIP</u> (DOS, Windows 3.x, Windows API, C/C++, Assembly language)
- Several diagnostic expert systems in medicine, ecology and biology were created in EDIP

# 6 Community Activity

#### Online activity:

- Concept-oriented blog: http://conceptoriented.org/blogs/cob/
- The Concept-Oriented Portal: <a href="http://conceptoriented.org/">http://conceptoriented.org/</a>
- Wikipedia article: <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Concept-oriented">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Concept-oriented</a> model
- c2 wiki article: http://www.c2.com/cgi/wiki?ConceptOrientedModel

#### **Program Committee member:**

- Data Mining Track, 21th ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (ACM SAC'06), 2006.
- Data Mining Track, 20th ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (ACM SAC'05), 2005.

#### **External reviewer:**

- Journal of Data and Knowledge Engineering (2005)
- 8th European Conference on Principles and Practice of Knowledge Discovery in Databases (PKDD'04), 2004
- 7th International Conference on Discovery Science (DS'04), 2004.
- Computer Science Journal of Moldova (CSJM)

### 7 Skills

**Project management:** Project coordination (international); Writing project proposals; Organization of project meetings; SCRUM

**Trainings:** SCRUM basics, Personal time management, Influencing without authority, Creativity techniques, Managing agile software development (online)

**Creativity:** Generation of new ideas; Conceptualization and analytical skills; Participation in technological contests

Patents: Experience in patent application writing and submission (USPTO, EPO)

**BI tools and technologies:** QlikView, Tableau, Microsoft PowerPivot, SAP Visual Intelligence, SAP HANA Studio, SAP Information Design Tool, Microsoft Analysis Services (DAX/Tabular)

Databases: SAP HANA in-memory database, Oracle, MySQL, PostgreSQL

Middleware: Lean Java Server (SAP), JBoss, WebSphere, Orion (Oracle AS), Hybernate

Language technologies: Antlr, Javacc

Programming languages: Java, C++, C, JavaScript, Python, Visual Basic, C#, AspectJ, Assembly

Grid computing: Globus Toolkit, Unicore 5.x/6.x, GRIA, Condor

Geographic information systems: CommonGIS, Oracle Spatial, Spatial data analysis

Networking: UDP, TCP/IP, JMS

Operating Systems: Windows, Linux, DOS

**Technologies and Standards:** OSGI, Web Services (SOAP, WSDL), REST, XML (DOM, SAX, DTD, XmlSchema, Xerces), J2EE (EJB, RMI, JDBC, JNDI), Semantic Web (RDF, OWL)

**Development Tools:** Eclipse, IntelliJ IDEA, JBuilder, Visual Studio, Version management (Git, SVN, Perforce), Build tools (maven, ant, make), Issue management (JIRA, Trac, Scarab)

Natural Languages: English, German, Russian

### 8 Selected Publications

Full list: PDF. Google citations: http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=sgGY5kEAAAAJ

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- [2] Savinov, A. Concept-Oriented Programming: Classes and Inheritance Revisited, 7th International Conference on Software Paradigm Trends (ICSOFT 2012), Rome, Italy, 24-27 July, 381–387.
- [3] Savinov, A. <u>Concept-Oriented Model: Classes, Hierarchies and References Revisited</u>. *Journal of Emerging Trends in Computing and Information Sciences*, **3**(4), 456–470, 2012. (<u>PDF</u>)
- [4] Savinov, A. <u>Concept-Oriented Model: Extending Objects with Identity, Hierarchies and Semantics</u>. Computer Science Journal of Moldova (CSJM), **19**(3), 254–287, 2011. (PDF)

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- [6] Savinov, A. A. Savinov, Concept-Oriented Programming, <u>Encyclopedia of Information Science and Technology</u>, 2nd Edition, Editor: Mehdi Khosrow-Pour, IGI Global, 2009, 672–680
- [7] Savinov, A. Concept-Oriented Model, <u>Handbook of Research on Innovations in Database Technologies and Applications: Current and Future Trends</u>, Editors: Viviana E. Ferraggine, Jorge H. Doorn, Laura C. Rivero, IGI Global, 2009, 171–180
- [8] Savinov, A. Concepts and Concept-Oriented Programming. Journal of Object Technology, 7(3), March-April 2008, pp. 91–106, 2008. (PDF)
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- [14] Savinov A. Mining Spatial Rules by Finding Empty Intervals in Data, Proc. of the 7th International Conference on Knowledge-Based Intelligent Information & Engineering Systems (KES'03), 3–5 September 2003, Oxford, UK, 1058–1063. (PDF)
- [15] May M., Savinov A. SPIN! an Enterprise Architecture for Spatial Data Mining. Proc. of the 7th International Conference on Knowledge-Based Intelligent Information & Engineering Systems (KES'03), 3–5 September 2003, Oxford, UK, 510–517. (PDF)
- [16] Andrienko N., Andrienko G., Savinov A., Voss H., Wettschereck D. Exploratory Analysis of Spatial Data Using Interactive Maps and Data Mining. Cartography and Geographic Information Science **28**(3), July 2001, 151–165
- [17] Savinov A. Mining Interesting Possibilistic Set-Valued Rules. In: Fuzzy If-Then Rules in Computational Intelligence: Theory and Applications, Da Ruan and Etienne E. Kerre, eds. Kluwer, 2000, 107–133. (PS)
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