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### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Management of evolving data, data quality, recommender systems, machine learning, large scale integration of heterogeneous data, linked open data, semantic web and ontologies.

### **EDUCATION**

**Postdoctoral Associate in Computer Science, Purdue University** Jan 2014 - Now  
West Lafayette, IN, USA  
Topic: Research on data quality of user-generated and temporally evolving data sources.

**PhD in Computer Science, University of Trento** Nov 2008 - Apr 2013  
Trento, Italy  
Dissertation title: Exploiting the volatile nature of data and information in evolving repositories and systems with user generated content  
Supervisor: Yannis Velegrakis

**M.Sc. in E-Government Technologies, University of Trento** Oct 2007 - Jul 2008  
Trento, Italy  
Dissertation title: Testing Domain Gate in the industrial context  
Supervisor: Fabio Casati

**B.Sc., Radio Physics and Electronics Faculty, Belarusian State University** 2002 - 2007  
Minsk, Belarus  
Dissertation title: Development of a SSO (Single Single-On) component in a complex information landscape  
Supervisor: Ivan Shalatonin

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Big Data Researcher, Trento Rise** May 2013 - Dec 2013  
Trento, Italy  
Designed and developed a topical crawler based on Apache Nutch.

**Java Developer, Artezio LLC** May 2007 - Oct 2007  
Minsk, Belarus  
Developed a system for online medical image management for Perceptive Informatics.

**Java Developer, EPAM Systems** Jul 2005 - May 2007  
Minsk, Belarus  
Developed ranking algorithms and authentication modules the search engine of the SAP NetWeaver platform.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Publications:

- **Bykau, S.**, Mylopoulos, J., Rizzolo, F., & Velegrakis, Y. On Modeling and Querying Concept Evolution. *Journal on Data Semantics (JoDS)*, 2012

### Refereed Publications:

- **Bykau, S.**, Korn, F., Srivastava, D., Velegrakis, Y. Controversy Detection in Wikipedia. *International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (ICDE)*, 2015 (prepared for submission)
- **Bykau, S.**, Koutrika, G., Velegrakis, Y. On Dealing with the Permanent Coping with the Persistent Cold-start Problem. *Personalized Access, Profile Management, and Context Awareness in Databases (PersDB)*, 2013
- **Bykau, S.**, Mylopoulos, J., Rizzolo, F., & Velegrakis, Y. Supporting Queries Spanning Across Phases of Evolving Artifacts using Steiner Forests. *International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM)*, 2011
- Katifori, A., Nikolaou, C., Platakis, M., Ioannidis, Y., Tympas, A., Koubarakis, M., Sarris, N., Tountopoulos, V., Tzoannos, E., **Bykau, S.**, Kiyavitskaya, N., Tsinaraki, C., Velegrakis, Y. The Papyrus digital library: discovering history in the news. *International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries (TPDL)*, 2011
- **Bykau, S.**, Kiyavitskaya N., Tsinaraki C., Velegrakis Y. Bridging the gap between heterogeneous and semantically diverse content of different disciplines. *International Workshop on Flexible Database and Information System Technology (FlexDBIST)*, 2010.
- Rizzolo F., Velegrakis Y., Mylopoulos J., and **Bykau S.** Modeling concept evolution: a historical perspective. *International Conference on Conceptual Modeling (ER)*, 2009.
- Presa, A., Velegrakis Y., Rizzolo R., and **Bykau S.** Modelling Associations through Intensional Attributes. *International Conference on Conceptual Modeling (ER)*, 2009.

### System Demonstrations:

- **Bykau, S.**, Rizzolo, F., Velegrakis, Y. A Query Answering System for Data with Evolution Relationships. *SIGMOD Conference (SIGMOD)*, 2013

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Intern and then PhD candidate, University of Trento

May 2008 - Apr 2013

Trento, Italy

Topic: Managing and exploiting evolving data

Supervisor: Yannis Velegrakis

Designed and developed a system for managing and querying evolving data (TrenDS), a framework for detecting controversies and a prototype of recommender system which address new user and item cold start problem.

### Research Intern, AT&T Labs Inc., Shannon Lab

May 2011 - Nov 2011

NJ, USA

Topic: Controversy Detection in Wikipedia Supervisor: Divesh Srivastava Designed, developed and studied a framework of controversy detection in Wikipedia.

### Research Intern, DeltaDator Spa

Feb 2008 - Jul 2008

Trento, Italy

Topic: E-government public administration interoperability

Supervisor: Marco Pistore

Designed and developed a prototype that enables the interoperability among information systems of different public administration offices.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Teaching Assistant for Information Managements and Integration**      Fall08, Fall09, Fall10, Fall11  
Master in eGovernment  
Department of Information and Telecommunications  
University of Trento, Italy

**Teaching Assistant for Advance Information Systems**      Spring08, Spring09  
Master in Computer Science  
Department of Information and Telecommunications  
University of Trento, Italy

## **HONORS, AWARDS, ACHIEVEMENTS AND GRANTS**

- PhD Scholarship, University of Trento, Nov 2008 – Apr 2013
- The highest final mark (107 out of 110) at Master program, Jul 2008
- Intern Scholarship, University of Trento, May 2008 – Jul 2008
- Winner (7th place) of BSU Olympiad in physics, May 2002
- Winner (3d place) of Olympiad in physics (Vitebsk region), Jan 2002
- Honorable mention at Republic Olympiad in physics, Mar 2001
- Winner (1st place) of Olympiad in physics (Vitebsk region), Jan 2001

## **COMPUTER SKILLS**

Java, SQL, R, Python

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Languages: English (fluent), Italian (intermediate), Russian (native), Belarusian (native)  
Chess: ELO Rating 2000