# CURRICULUM VITAE

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# **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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Date of birth 14<sup>th</sup> of April 1986

# ACADEMIC RECORD AND QUALIFICATIONS

as of October 2017

Head of AKII Microlab (Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Reality) at the ALIDI Konfuzius Institute Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany

the AUDI Konfuzius Institute Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt, Germany

Lecturer in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning at the

Technical University of Ingolstadt, Germany

Deep Learning Technical Adviser for Schanzer Racing Electric

(SRE) team at Technical University of Ingolstadt.

as of July 2017 Al and ML Technical Adviser for GoalPlay GmbH & Co. KG

(Munich) and Cambridge Humanae Ltd. (London)

as of April 2017

Senior Research Engineer in Machine Learning and Big Data,

Huawei European Research Center, Munich, Germany

2016 - 2017 **Postdoctoral Researcher** at Neuroscientific System Theory Group

Neuroengineering Competence Center, Technische Universität München, Germany

2011 - 2016 Ph.D. in Neuroscience and Robotics (Summa cum Laude)

Dept. Electrical and Computer Engineering, Technische Universität München, Germany 2009 - 2011 M.Sc. in Advanced Control Engineering and Robotics (top 1%)

Electrical and Electronics Engineering Faculty,

Dunărea de Jos University (UGAL), Galati, Romania

2005 - 2009 B.Sc. in Automation and Industrial Informatics (top 1%)

Computer Science Faculty,

Dunărea de Jos University (UGAL), Galați, Romania

### RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

April 2018 Awarded a nVidia GPU Grant for a Neuromorphic Processing for Electric Autonomous Driving with Schanzer Racing Electric (SRE)

team at Technical University of Ingolstadt.

January 2017 Media coverage in Microsoft Faculty Connection for project demo

at University of Cambridge Hackaton 2017 on Neural Computation for vision based elderly and seniors monitoring using MS Azure API.

January 2017 Awarded a BaylntAn Fellowship (5000 EUR) by the Bavarian

Research Alliance for establishing a cooperation on the development of a platform for neuromorphic models of sensorimotor adaptation with

ETH Zurich and University of California, Irvine

July 2016 Awarded a BayIntAn Fellowship (10000EUR) by the Bavarian

Research Alliance for establishing a cooperation on neurorobotics with University of Waterloo, Canada and the University of Manchester, UK.

June 2016 Media coverage in Wired about work on neuromorphic computation

for visual rehabilitation at **Hack the Senses** contest in London, UK.

April 2016 Awarded 1st prize at the Daimler Automotive Big Data Analytics

**Hackaton** for the design of a neurofuzzy learning system for adaptive

anomaly detection.

April 2016 Awarded special Microsoft Cognitive Technologies prize at the

Burda Hackdays for the development of a neural learning system for

psychometric data analytics.

March 2016 Awarded 1<sup>st</sup> prize (5000EUR) in the BMW Automotive Hackdays for

the development of an artificial intelligence learning agent for

predictive maintenance.

July 2013 Awarded Research Fellowship (2500EUR) by the Science Network

of Biomimetic and Biohybrid Systems for leading a workgroup at the

Telluride Neuromorphic Cognition Engineering Workshop, USA.

May 2013 Awarded Research Fellowship (2500EUR) by the Science Network

of Biomimetic and Biohybrid Systems for leading a workgroup at the

CapoCaccia Cognitive Neuromorphic Engineering Workshop, Italy.

April 2013 Awarded a Leonhard Lorenz-Stiftung Fellowship (7000EUR) for

novel ideas in neurotechnologies research.

April 2012 Awarded a Bavarian Elite Research PhD Scholarship (3 years

funding, ~120.000EUR) by the Bavarian Ministry of Sciences,

Research and the Arts.

# WORK AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

October 2017 - present Lecturer in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning at TU Ingolstadt.

October 2011 - 2017 **Teaching assistant** in Computational Intelligence at **TU Munich**.

July 2009 - July 2011 **Software engineer** in embedded Linux development at **Intel**.

October 2009 - **Teaching assistant** in Programming (OOP, Assembly September 2011 Languages, Digital Signal Processors) at **UGAL**.

July - October 2008 **Software engineer** in multi-core Digital Signal Processors (DSP) compiler development at **Freescale Semiconductor (NXP)**.

### Varia

as of 1992 Fanatic sportsman: from soccer to basketball, from biking to long

distance running, and from greco-roman wrestling to rock climbing.

as of 1991 Passionate bookworm: from Isaac Asimov to Nietzsche, from

Dostoyevski's realism to Kafka's metamorphosis, and from Jung's

Red Book to Kandel's Principles of Neural Science.

### REFERENCES

#### **Prof. Jörg Conradt**

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#### Prof. Jeffrey L. Krichmar

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#### Dr. Cristina Segal

Vice President and General Manager, Connected Vehicle Honeywell Transportation Systems, France Former supervisor and professor +33670520671

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Journal articles

- I. Sugiarto, **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, FPGA-based Hardware Accelerator for an Embedded Factor Graph with Configurable Optimization, Journal of Circuits, Systems and Computers, 2018. (<u>PDF</u>)
- F. Mirus, **C. Axenie**, T. C. Stewart, J. Conradt, Neuromorphic Sensorimotor Adaptation for Robotic Mobile Manipulation: From Sensing to Behaviour, Cognitive Systems Research, 2018. (<u>PDF</u>)
- **C. Axenie**, C. Richter, J. Conradt, A Self-Synthesis Approach to Perceptual Learning for Multisensory Fusion in Robotics, Sensors 16(10) 1751, 2016. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, Cortically inspired sensor fusion network for mobile robot egomotion estimation, Robotics and Autonomous Systems, 2014. (PDF)
- I. Susnea, **C. Axenie**, Cognitive Maps for Indirect Coordination of Intelligent Agents, Studies in Informatics and Control Vol. 24, 2015. (<u>PDF</u>)
- I. Sugiarto, **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, From Adaptive Reasoning to Cognitive Factory: Bringing Cognitive Intelligence to Manufacturing Technology, International Journal of Industrial Research and Applied Engineering, 2016. (PDF)

#### Peer reviewed conference papers

- **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, Learning Sensory Correlations for 3D Egomotion Estimation, Springer LNCS in Biomimetic and Biohybrid Systems, pp. 329-338, 2015. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, Cortically Inspired Sensor Fusion Network for Mobile Robot Heading Estimation, Intl Conf. on Artificial Neural Networks, 2013, pp. 240-47. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, R. Solea, Real time control design for mobile robot fault tolerant control. Introducing the ARTEMIC powered mobile robot, Mechatronics and Embedded Systems and Applications (MESA), 2010 IEEE/ASME Intl. Conf. on, 2010, pp. 7 -13. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, D. Cernega, Adaptive sliding mode controller design for mobile robot fault tolerant control, Robotics in Alpe-Adria-Danube Region (RAAD), 2010 IEEE 19th International Workshop on, 2010, pp. 253-59. (PDF)

#### Peer reviewed conference abstract with poster presentation

- **C. Axenie**, C. Richter, J. Conradt, Neuromorphic models of sensorimotor adaptation and learning, Bernstein Conf. on Comp. Neuroscience, Berlin, 2016. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, C. Richter, M. Firouzi, J. Conradt, Synthesis of Distributed Cognitive Systems: An Approach to Learning Multisensory Fusion, Bernstein Conf. on Comp. Neuroscience, Heidelberg, 2015. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, M. Firouzi, M. Mulas, J. Conradt, Multimodal sensor fusion for mobile robot egomotion estimation, Bernstein Conf. on Comp. Neuroscience, Göttingen, 2014. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, A model for development and emergence in multisensory integration, Bernstein Conf. on Computational Neuroscience, Göttingen, 2014. (<u>PDF</u>)
- M. Firouzi, **C. Axenie**, J. Conradt, Multi-sensory cue integration with reliability encoding, using Line Attractor Dynamics, searching for optimality, Bernstein Conf. on Comp. Neuroscience, Göttingen, 2014. (PDF)
- **C. Axenie**, M. Firouzi, J. Conradt, Multisensory Integration Network for Mobile Robot Self-motion Estimation, Bernstein Conf. on Comp. Neuroscience, Tübingen, 2013. (<u>PDF</u>)