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Degrees:

Dr. rer. nat. (PhD equivalent) at TU Dresden, 2018 in the field of computer vision and machine learning advised by Prof. Gumhold (TU Dresden) and Prof. Rother (University Heidelberg) awarded with Summa Cum Laude

Diplom (Master equivalent) at TU Dresden, 2012 in media computer science passed with distinction

Research Background:

Since 2025	Researcher at Niantic Spatial
2020 - 2025	Researcher at Niantic
2019 - 2020	Guest at the Leibnitz Universität Hannover in the group of Prof. Rosenhahn
2017 - 2020	Research Associate in the VL Lab of Prof. Rother at University Heidelberg
2017 - 2018	Guest at the Center for Systems Biology Dresden in the group of Florian Jug
09/2016 - 11/2016	Research Visit, Microsoft Research Cambridge (Host: Sebastian Nowozin)
2012-2017	Research associate and PhD student at TU Dresden, partly Computer Graphics and Vizualisation Lab of Prof. Gumhold, partly Computer Vision Lab Dresden of Prof. Rother
2006 - 2012	Studies of media and computer science at TU Dresden

Research Community Service:

Area Chair:

- CVPR 25/26
- ECCV 24
- WACV 24

Outstanding Reviewer:

- CVPR 19
- NeurlPS 19 (Top 400)
- ICCV 21

Reviewer:

- CVPR 18/19/20/21/22
- ICCV 19/21/23/25
- ECCV 18/22
- NeurIPS 19/25
- TPAMI 18/19/20/21/22/23/24
- IJCV 18
- JMLR 19
- ICRA 18/19/20/21/23
- IROS 17/18/19/20/21/22/23
- RA-L 17/19/20/21/23
- T-RO 20/23
- GCPR 15/17/18

Mentor:

- Doctoral Consortium, ICCV 25

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Tutorials and Workshops:

Co-Organizer of Visual Localization Tutorials at

- ECCV 18,
- ICCV 19/21,
- CVPR 23

Co-Organizer of the RANSAC in 2025 Tutorial

- ICCV 25

Co-Organizer of the Intl. Workshop on Recovering 6D Object Pose (R6D), 5th-10th edition,

- ICCV 19/23/25,
- ECCV 20/22/24

Co-Organizer of the Map-free Visual Relocalization Workshop and Challenge

- ECCV 24

Talks:

"Mapping With Scene Coordinate Regression. Making it: Fast, Self-supervised, Generalize"

- Multi-modal Localization and Mapping, ICCV Workshop, 2025

"Learning Relative Pose Estimation End-to-end"

Camera Calibration and Pose Estimation, ICCV Workshop, 2025

"Pushing the Boundaries of Structure-from-motion with Machine Learning"

- 49th Pattern Recognition and Computer Vision Colloquium, CTU Prague, 2025
- IMAGINE Seminar, ENPC Paris, 2025
- heidelberg.ai, 2025

"Scene Coordinate Regression -

Reimagining Structure-from-Motion without Image-to-Image Matching"

- Guest Lecture in Advances in Computer Vision class, MIT 2025
- Guest Lecture in Geometry-based Methods in Vision class, CMU 2024

"Reimagining Structure-from-Motion without Image-to-Image Matching"

- DFKI Augmented Vision Workshop 2024

"Metric Depth for Instant AR"

Third Monocular Depth Estimation Challenge, CVPR Workshop, 2024

"Learning Map Representations for Visual Relocalization"

- UIUC Vision External Speaker Series, 2023

"Pose Estimation Beyond Feature Matching"

Image Matching: Local Features & Beyond, CVPR Workshop, 2023

"End-to-End Learning of Robust Model Fitting"

- FiveAl Vision Seminar, 2020

"Robust Pose Estimation Made Differentiable"

International Workshop on Recovering 6D Object Pose, ICCV Workshop, 2019

"Learning Robust Model Fitting"

- Workshop on Geometry Meets Deep Learning, ECCV Workshop, 2018

"Scene Coordinate Regression: From Random Forests to End-to-End Learning"

Workshop on Learnable Representations for Geometric Matching, CIIRC Prague, 2017

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Awards:

2018	Nominated for GI Dissertation Award 2018 by the TU Dresden (each university in Germany, Austria and Switzerland nominates one computer science dissertation for the award, annually)
2014	ACCV Honorable Mention Demo Award (for our paper: Learning Analysis-by-Synthesis for 6D Pose Estimation in RGB-D Images)
2012	Enno Heidebroek Award (awarded to the best graduates of the engineering department of the TU Dresden)
2008 - 2012	Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation (awarded based on academic performance, extracurricular interests, and social commitment)
2008	IBM Award (awarded to students with an exceptional intermediate diploma)

Teaching Experience:

Preparation of lectures for Computer Vision I (Prof. Rother, TU Dresden, 2015-2017), Reconstructing and Understanding the 3D World (Prof. Rother, Heidelberg University, 2018); organizing and conducting exercises accompanying Computer Graphics I (Prof. Gumhold, TU Dresden, 2013-2017); supervisor of numerous Diploma, Master and Bachelor theses with focus on computer vision and machine learning, conducting practical courses and seminars with focus on computer vision and robotics

Publications:

Please see my website or Google Scholar for an up-to-date list.