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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 2020 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 - Research Visit, Microsoft Research Cambridge
11/2016 (Host: Sebastian Nowozin)

2012 - 2017 Research associate and PhD student at TU Dresden,
partly Computer Graphics and Visualization Lab of Prof. Gumhold,
partly Computer Vision Lab Dresden of Prof. Rother

2006 - 2012 Studies of media and computer science at TU Dresden

Reviewing Activities:

- Area Chair: CVPR 25, ECCV 24, WACV 24
- Outstanding Reviewer: CVPR 19, NeurIPS 19 (Top 400), ICCV 21
- Reviewer: CVPR 18/19/20/21/22, ICCV 19/21/23/25, ECCV 18/22, NeurIPS 19, TPAMI 18/19/20/21/22/23, 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

Tutorials and Workshops:

- Co-Organizer of Visual Localization Tutorials at ECCV 18, ICCV 19/21, CVPR 23
- Co-Organizer of the International Workshop on Recovering 6D Object Pose (R6D), 5th-9th edition, ICCV 19/23, ECCV 20/22/24
- Co-Organizer of the Map-free Visual Relocalization Workshop and Challenge, ECCV 24

Talks:

- "Pushing the boundaries of structure-from-motion with machine learning"
49th Pattern Recognition and Computer Vision Colloquium, CTU Prague, 2025
- "Scene Coordinate Regression -
Reimagining Structure-from-Motion without Image-to-Image Matching"
Guest Lecture in Advances in Computer Vision class, MIT 2025
- "Pushing the Boundaries of Structure-from-motion with Machine Learning"
IMAGINE Seminar, ENPC Paris, 2025

- “Scene Coordinate Regression - *Reimagining Structure-from-Motion without Image-to-Image Matching*”
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*”
FiveAI 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

Awards:

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| 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 to students with exceptional 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.