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Education

Doctoral Student (Institut Polytechnique de Paris) 10/2021–now

supervised by Professor Étienne Ollion

Linköping University, M.Sc. Computational Social Science 2019–2021

Thesis: “Mapping Polarization — Evidence from a Swedish Online Forum”

University of Regensburg, B.A. Political Science 2014–2018

Overall grade: 1.7 (good)

Thesis: “‘Facing Jamaica’ – Analyzing the Twitter Behavior of German Politicians during the Exploratory Talks”
(1.0 – excellent)

GESIS Methodenseminar [Methods Seminar] 2018 at Cologne 06/2018

Topics: Introduction to Data Analysis using Python, Explorative Content Analysis and Text Mining using R

EITM Summer School 2018 at Torino 06/2018

Topics: Bayesian Statistics, R, Game Theory, Explorative Text Analysis using Supervised and Unsupervised Machine Learning, Social Media Research

Employment

Lecturer (University of Leipzig) 10/2021–now

Instructor for the courses “Toolbox Computational Social Science” and “Text Mining for Social Scientists” (5 ECTS)

Teaching Assistant (Stockholm School of Economics) 07/2021–09/2021

Teaching assistant for the course “PhD133 - Quantitative Data Exploration and Manipulation” (3 ECTS) led by Professor Karl Wennberg

Research Assistant and Instructor (University of Regensburg) 06/2020–05/2021

Part of the Professorship for Political Science Research Methods, Institute for Political Science at the University of Regensburg

Tasks:

Conceptualization and realization of courses (evaluation results available upon request)

- “Einführung in die soziale Netzwerkanalyse mit R” [Introduction to Social Network Analysis with R], 5 ECTS, [syllabus](#) (in German)

- “Big Data Analysis with R”, 5 ECTS, [syllabus](#) (in English)

- “Applied quantitative methods for European Studies and Political science”, 5 ECTS, [syllabus](#) (in English), evaluation results available upon request

Assistance with data acquisition and wrangling for a Master’s thesis (scraping Twitter data with `twitterR`)

Graduate Research Assistant (IAS, Linköping University) 01/2020–05/2021

Part of the “Mining for Meaning” project

Tasks:

- Data acquisition (i.e., scraping of online fora) and management (`rvest`, `tidyverse`, GitLab)

- Data wrangling

- Assistance with paper submission (creating bibliographies with `bibtex`, fixing bibliographies in `LATEX`)
- Exploratory data analyses
- Text mining and classification (`quanteda`, `tidytext`, `tidymodels`, `textrecipes`)

Research/Teaching Assistant and Instructor (University of Regensburg) 01/2019–08/2019

Part of the Professorship for Political Science Research Methods, Institute for Political Science at the University of Regensburg

Tasks:

- Teaching Assistant for the course “Computational Social Science – Methodologie und Anwendungsfelder in der Politikwissenschaft” [Computational Social Science – Methodology and Applications for Political Science], 5 ECTS
- Instructor for the course “Einführung in die soziale Netzwerkanalyse mit R” [Introduction to Social Network Analysis with R], 5 ECTS, [syllabus](#) (in German), evaluation results available upon request

Internship at INSA Consulere, Erfurt 12/2017–01/2018

Tasks:

- Data Analysis (qualitative/quantitative) using SPSS
- Survey Design
- Market Research (CATI)

Research

BOOK CHAPTERS

Lennert, Felix 2021: Wahlkampf in Sozialen Medien. Eine Inhaltsanalyse der Twitter-Kommunikation politischer Eliten [Election campaigning on social media: A content analysis of the political elites’ Twitter communication]. In *Die Landtagswahl 2018 in Bayern – Analysen zum Wahlverhalten und zur politischen Kultur im Freistaat* [The 2018 State Election in Bavaria – Analyses of Voting Behavior and Political Culture in the Free State of Bavaria], Walter-Rogg, Melanie and Tassilo Heinrich (eds.). Wiesbaden: Springer VS. (forthcoming)

WORKING PAPERS

Lennert, Felix 2018: Wahlkampf auf Twitter und Instagram. Eine komparative quantitative Inhaltsanalyse der Beiträge der FDP und ihres Spitzenkandidaten anlässlich der Bundestagswahlen 2017 [“Election campaigning on Twitter and Instagram: A comparative quantitative content analysis of the postings of the Liberal party and its candidate during the German federal elections 2017”]. FRP Working Paper 01/2018, Regensburg. URL: https://www.uni-regensburg.de/philosophie-kunst-geschichte-gesellschaft/forum-rp/medien/frp_working_paper_01_2018.pdf.

CONFERENCE TALKS

Chatelain, Arnault, Felix Lennert, Etienne Ollion, and Rubing Shen 2023: Media Slant as Political Refraction. Evidence from the French Media Landscape. *IC2S2*, Copenhagen, July 18–20 2023.

Lennert, Felix, Väinö Yrjänäinen, and Måns Magnusson 2023: It’s in the news. On the Transmission of Elite Polarization Through the Media. *INAS*, Princeton, NJ, July 07–08 2023.

Lennert, Felix 2023: Similarity vs. constraint? Comparing French voters’ beliefs and belief structures. *1st Conference on European Polarization*, Paris, February 15 2023.

Lennert, Felix, Etienne Ollion, and Rubing Shen 2022: Priorité à droite ? Mesures des tendances partisans des médias en France [“Priority to the Right? Measurements of partisan tendencies of French media outlets”]. *16e Congrès national AFSP*, Lille, July 05–07 2022.

INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

“Inside the Mind of the French Voter. Tracking the Formation of Belief Systems with Computational Text Analysis.” Kolloquium Analytische Soziologie, University of Leipzig, December 13 2022.

“This one sparks joy. Data preparation for immaculate social science research.” Workshop held at the Centre Émile Durkheim, Sciences Po Bordeaux, November 22.–23 2022.

“Mapping Polarization – Evidence from a Swedish Online Forum” Kolloquium Analytische Soziologie, University of Leipzig, January 26 2022.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

Summer Institute for Computational Social Science (SICSS), Institut Polytechnique de Paris, June 20 – July 01 2022 & June 19 – June 30 2023.

Languages

German (native)
English (fluent)
French (intermediate)
R (advanced)
SQL (advanced)
Python (beginner)
SPSS (intermediate)

References

Prof. Étienne Ollion

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Prof. Dr. Marc Keuschnigg

Department of Sociology
Leipzig University
04107 Leipzig, Germany
E-mail: marc.keuschnigg@uni-leipzig.de

Prof. Dr. Melanie Walter-Rogg

Institute for Political Science
Unit: Political Science and Methodology
Universitätsstr. 31
93040 Regensburg, Germany
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Extracurricular things

VOLUNTARY COMMITMENT

Amnesty International

10/2015–10/2018

Tasks:

Public relations, organizational and administrative functions (e.g.: organization of a panel discussion with politicians, supervision of the social media presence)

HOBBIES

Cycling ([Strava](#))