software-engineering-lead research/LLMs for a11y
& ECM (Enterprise Content Management) consulting and engineering





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++ Thesis-Work (BASc./Hagenberg)

- With RISC, Research Institute Symbolic Computation, and FH Upper Austria/ Campus Hagenberg: available online
- + Major Research Project ++++
- With LIFT/LIT and FH Upper Austria/
 Campus
 Hagenberg/FAW
 GmbH: Making
 Document
 Accessible
 Research Thesis/
 ECM Module/
 Platform
 supported by 10K
 EUR in research

Current >

Published Academic Work

ICCHP (INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMPUTERS HELPING PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS) YOUNG RESEARCHERS' CONSORTIUM 2026 (PREPRINT), LINZ, AT/BRNO, CZ

This paper is accompanies current Masters-thesis work on making documents accessible using LLMs, summarising the core evaluation work and methods, w/ promising output **WOLFRAM RESEARCH 2023 WOLFRAM SUMMER SCHOOL (PROCEEDINGS), BOSTON, MA**

My <u>community post</u> was awarded a featured contributor badge & subsequently published

Other Publications

STARTING A UNIVERSITY: IT:U X ARS ELECTRONICA FOUNDING LAB (BOOK), LINZ, AT - 2024
Vision Statement (p. 71) about learning from US liberal arts colleges re: interdisciplinarity
DER STANDARD: IDSA: EINE UNIVERSITÄT BEGINNT (A UNIVERSITY STARTS), LINZ, AT - AUGUST 2023
OÖN: ARS ELECTRONICA FESTIVAL 2023 COMPANION PIECE ABOUT IDSA (IT:U), LINZ, AT - AUGUST 2023

Academic Societies

PRO SCIENTIA, LINZ/VIENNA, AT (QUALIFIED FOR MASTER AND PHD ACADEMIC FUNDING FOR 5 YEARS)
Funding and programming for young scientists and artists showing excellence at grad level
Teaching

WOLFRAM RESEARCH, SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM MENTOR, BOSTON, MA - JULY-AUGUST 2024After being <u>a student myself in the Wolfram Summer School</u> (for adults) in 2023, I am grateful for the opportunity to mentor <u>some great highschoolers</u> for their project work

Research Positions

WOLFRAM RESEARCH, <u>CONSULTANT SOFTWARE ENGINEER</u>, <u>REMOTE/CHAMPAIGN</u>, <u>IL - JANUARY 2024+</u> I was hired by way of <u>Wolfram Summer School</u> ('23) participation and my <u>thesis work in SE</u>

- Took charge of visible Storage Monitoring (project) with real business impact for Cloud
- Successfully maintained the Wolfram Language/Java-based ticket quota for consultants **JKU LIFT/LIT/IT:U (SUMMER SCHOOL), RESEARCHER, LINZ, AT AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2024**Collaboration w/ both Linz Institute of Techn. Center for Trans. and IT:U centred on impact
- Successfully applied for funding at 10K EUR volume to <u>explore applications</u> for <u>my thesis</u> **ARS ELECTRONICA/IDSA, RESEARCHER/FOUNDER, LINZ, AT - AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2023**

Project-based research in the real world, exhibit at Ars Electronica Festival, <u>publicity work</u>

Current Degree Work

in progress, > anticipated completion date December 2024 JOHANNES KEPLER UNIVERSITY, INSTITUTE OF MACHINE LEARNING, LINZ, AT – 2022-24 (ANTICIPATED)

MSc Artificial Intelligence, Reasoning and Knowledge Representation (Symbolic AI)

First Al curriculum in Austria, coursework-focus of educational leave Oct '22-Sept '23: detailed curriculum

(Symbolic AI Elective Track); I see it as the theoretical extension of my studies in SE, at Inst. of ML under Hochreiter.

Applicant's Note: I will be applying to the "Broad AI" initiative (symbolic + subsymbolic AI) at Johannes Kepler as well as the new IT-U's "Computational X" impact-oriented programs in Linz, in addition to int'l (mostly US-based) programs in the 2024/25 cycle.

+ (Selective, Master/PhD-Level Summer Schools Student (and **Mentor**)

Participation

- IT:U
 Interdisciplinary
 Digital Innovation
 Summer School
 '24 (Linz, AT)
- Wolfram Summer Research Program (Mentor) '24 (Boston, USA)
- University of Berr Winter School in Reinforcement Learning '24 (Mürren, CH)
- Wolfram Summe School '23 (Boston, USA)

I was part of the founding cohort for a new university for Austria.

 IDSA, Institute for Digital Science Austria, later IT:U, Interdisciplinary Transformation University

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- President
 Catholic
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 '24 opwards
- Vice-President
 Traktor Sports
 Group `23-`24
- Choir + Theater
 Group Member

Personal
website
reflection piece
on my life at KHG,
the catholic society