

# Research and Teaching

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# Introduction

# Introduction: Overview

**20 years** of work experience:

- Research: 9 years
- Teaching: 5 years
- Engineering: 9 years

**International** (teaching) experience:

- Russia Federation
- The Netherlands
- Germany

# Introduction: Experiences

- **Teaching:**
  - Mathematics
  - Formal methods
  - Programming languages
  - Data bases
  - Software development
- **Research:**
  - Formal verification
  - Model checking
  - Control systems
  - Machine translation
- **Engineering:**
  - User requirements
  - Specification and docs.
  - Design and Architecture
  - Testing and development
  - Product ownership

# Introduction: Prog. Languages

Experience in **years**:

- C++ (8)
- Java (7)
- UML (6)
- C (5)
- C# (2)
- SQL (2)
- JavaScript (1)
- Bash (10)
- MATLAB (4)
- Mathematica (1)
- Python (1)
- R (1)
- HTML (2)
- CSS (1)
- OQL (1)

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# Research Interests

## Research Interests: Earlier

### **Static program analysis:** (BSc, MSc)

- Information stream quality
- Hoare-based verification of C

### **Model Checking Markov Chains:** (PhD)

- PCTL, CSL, PRCTL, CSRL
- Numerical and statistical
- Steady-state detection

### **Statistical Machine translation:** (PostDoc)

- Distributed Machine Translation Infra.

### **Cyber physical systems:** (PostDocs)

- Computable LTL, CTL, CTL\* model checking
- Symbolic regression for BDD controllers



## Research Interests: Recent

### **Deep learning for control** (PostDoc, 1 BSc, 3 MSc)

- Neural Networks as Correct-By-Design Controllers:
  - Performance
  - Representations
  - Verifiability
- Compact control law representations:
  - Data science models?

### **Model driven engineering** (Product Owner, 1 MSc)

- Runtime guarantees by verifying OCL constraints on DMs.

# Research Interests: Future

## Artificial Intelligence:

- True artificial intelligence
  - Self-motivated
  - Unsupervised learning
- Model checking
  - Design, training, robustness?
- Static program analysis
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## Domain specific languages:

- Evolution of DSL meta models
  - Backwards compatibility
- Designs for DSL implementations
  - Extendible and maintainable
- Runtime guarantees via static constrains

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# Teaching Preferences

# Teaching Preferences: Earlier

## **Novosibirsk State University (lecturer): (2000–2004)**

- Introduction to UML
- Unified Modeling Language UML
- Introduction to C# language

## **TU Twente (teaching assistant): (2004–2006)**

- Formal Methods for Software Engineering

## **RWTH Aachen (teaching assistant): (2006–2008)**

- Advanced Model Checking

# Teaching Preferences: Recent

## Fontys Hogeschool (docent) (2014–2015)

- Discrete Mathematics:
  - Linear Algebra
  - Regular Languages
  - Grammars and Finite State Automata's
  - Set theory and propositional logic
- Software Engineering:
  - C# ASPX .NET
  - Java Enterprise
  - Database Optimizations
  - Operating systems
  - Quality, Testing, and V-Model
  - SQL and Data modeling for RD

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# Teaching Approach

# Teaching Approach: Classification

Various common teaching and learning models  
(from: Thurgau Department of Education, 2013, p.9; based on an unpublished script by Keller, 2009)

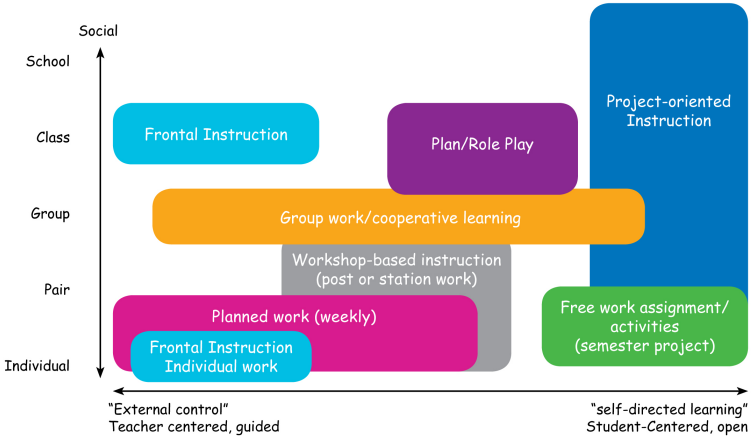


Figure 1: Teaching Approaches

## Teaching Approach: Literature

An extensive study is presented **in literature**<sup>1</sup>:

- The ideas should follow logically
- The structure of ideas should be created in class
- Create a comfortable environment
- Use theories like: Social Learning, Constructivism, etc

**Learning can differ greatly** from person to person:

- 5 different teaching paradigms
- 32 different teaching models between them.

*“The best and maybe the only possible outcome is to try to **determine what** methods or combination of methods a teacher should apply to **suit the biggest percentage in a class.**”*

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<sup>1</sup>“Choosing learning methods suitable for teaching and learning in computer science”, Estelle Taylore et al., IADIS, 2013



# Teaching Approach: Me<sup>2</sup>

## Connect:

- Be personal
- Use Humor
- Be assertive

## Motivate:

- Create interest
- Challenge
- Track engagement

## Guide:

- Define Structure
- Help if needed
- Keep challenging

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<sup>2</sup>Started on doing BKO at Fontys.

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## Teaching:

- What does 80% of teaching include?
- What choices for teaching are there?
- Who creates the lecture materials?
- Teaching/preparation hours per week?

## Research:

- What does 20% of research include?
- What are the research topic bounds?
- Participation in projects/conferences?
- Supervising BSc. and MSc. students?

## General:

- Is BKO required and time is given?
- What is to be done during vacations?