STEPHAN RABANSER

EDUCATION

M.Sc. in Computer Science

Technische Universität München (TUM)

October 2015 – September 2018 (exp.)

Munich, Germany

Honours Degree in Technology Management

Center for Digital Technology and Management (CDTM)

August 2015 – September 2018 (exp.) Munich, Germany

Visiting Research Student

February 2016 – June 2016 Cambridge, MA, USA

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

October 2012 – October 2015

B.Sc. in Computer Science, Minor in Economic Sciences

Higher Education Entrance Qualification (A-levels)

Munich, Germany

Technische Universität München (TUM)

September 2007 – July 2012

Technologische Fachoberschule "Max Valier"

Bolzano, Italy

Internships

Intern Software Development Engineer

August 2017 – October 2017

Berlin, Germany

Amazon - Core Machine Learning Team

- Received an overview of standard time series analysis / forecasting techniques.
- Implemented Bayes by Backprop (weight uncertainty estimation) for standard MLPs and RNNs in MXNet.
- Contributed two chapters to upcoming MXNet book.

Intern Software Development Engineer

July 2016 - October 2016

Amazon Web Services (AWS) - OpsWorks Team

Berlin, Germany

- Developed internal business intelligence tool (business metrics reporting and automated dashboard generation) for new OpsWorks service offering (OpsWorks for Chef Automate).
- Gained deep insights into a broad range of AWS products and large-scale software development at Amazon.

AWARDS & HONORS

Elite Network of Bavaria

April 2016

Member

Munich, Germany

Apple Worldwide Developers Conference (WWDC)

June 2013

Student Scholarship Recipient

San Francisco, CA, USA

- Developed résumé iOS app to highlight academic and professional experience as well as hobbies.
- Got awarded a free WWDC ticket.

Stripe Capture the Flag

February 2012

Hacking Contest Participant

World Wide Web

• One out of 250 people, who successfully hacked themselves through Stripe's "Capture the Flag" contest.

Publications

- Stephan Rabanser, Oleksandr Shchur, Stephan Günnemann. 2017. Introduction to Tensor Decompositions and Their Applications in Machine Learning. ArXiv e-prints (November 2017). arXiv:stat.ML/1711.10781
- CDTM Class of Fall 2015. 2015. Entrepreneurship in Bavaria. Center for Digital Technology and Management.

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Programming Languages

Java, Python, Swift, Ruby, C, HTML5/CSS3/JS

ML Frameworks

MXNet, Tensorflow

Git, IDEA Suite, Xcode, Sketch

Languages

Tools

German English Italian Native Fluent, TOEFL iBT 104 (October 2014)

Proficient

Data Science in Astrophysics and Industry

Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics

March 2017 – February 2018 (exp.) Garching, Germany

My tasks in this project include (but are not limited to):

- Transform an existing Gaussian Mixture Model into Google Tensorflow.
- Optimize the algorithmic implementation of the model (e.g. number of mixture components, hyper-parameters).
- Find a good approximation of the used density matrix using sparse matrices.
- Explore different training methods (stochastic vs. deterministic and EM vs. gradient descent vs. Newton).
- Determine parallelizable operations and to which extend sync points are needed.

Stylight Now, Tech Lead

October 2015 – January 2016

Munich, Germany

Managing Product Development - CDTM

- Developed a simple and easy direct checkout solution for the fashion aggregator Stylight to raise the conversion rate throughout their platform, but especially in their apps.
- Created iOS app (UI/UX + code) which will be further refined by Stylight and eventually incorporated into their live platform.
- Got hands on experience with business development strategies, user and market research, project management, and collaboration in a diverse team.

Practical Course Coach (iPraktikum – Bosch Dots)

October 2015 - January 2016

Advanced Project Management - Chair for Applied Software Engineering

Munich, Germany

- Team coach for the Robert Bosch GmbH team as part of the iOS Praktikum WS 15/16.
- Developed a system that helps Bosch with matching active but also potential new suppliers to current Bosch projects in a smart and easy way.
- Cross-team modeling, architecture, and documentation instructor.

Spot.io, Bird Classifier

October 2015 - December 2015

Deep Learning Elective - CDTM

Munich, Germany

- Gained insights into the basics of applied machine learning and deep learning algorithms, frameworks, and techniques.
- Trained multiple convolutional neural network by using Nvidia Digits and Caffe for different kinds of birds.
- Developed a classification pipeline for handing over images from a broadly trained network for general bird clusters to more granular networks for specific bird species.

Teaching Assistant

August 2014 – November 2014

Swift Introduction Course - Chair for Applied Software Engineering

Munich, Germany

- Held a 2h talk and prepared the corresponding tutorial about RESTful interaction with web services within iOS and OS X apps.
- Developed a course-matching sample API by using Java technologies (Maven, Glassfish, Jersey, JPA).
- Supported course administration by writing and reviewing course assignments.
- Highlighted by Apple as one of the first Swift courses at major universities.

Personal Projects

Tranzport

macOS Application & API

Startup & iOS Application

Munich, Germany

May 2015

- Developed JSON API to interact with Munich's public transportation system by using Ruby Sinatra.
- Developed corresponding macOS status bar application to display departures for any station in Munich.

Multiply & Hours

January 2014 – September 2014

Munich, Germany & Berlin, Germany

• Essential member in the establishment of a startup named Multiply at a very early stage.

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- Mainly responsible for calendaring and time-management app Hours for iOS.
- Left Multiply in order not to loose focus on my academic career.

Apfeltech

German Tech Blog

September 2010 – May 2014

World Wide Web

- Headed daily business as Editor-in-Chief from 2011 to 2012.
 - Helped coding key parts of the website.