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EDUCATION

Imperial College London, UK

M.Sc. Computing Science, Distinction

09/2017 - 09/2018

- Intensive 12 months practical M.Sc. program in Computer Science
- Notable modules: Software Engineering (75%), Machine Learning (76%), Network and Web Security (73%), Logic and AI Programming (75%), Algorithms, Databases
- Thesis: «A Multi-Agent Simulation Framework and Analysis of the IOTA Tangle» (final mark 83%, research paper accepted at Symposium on Cryptocurrency Analysis 2018)
- Engineering group project: Image Recognition using Deep Neural Networks with UK's largest online grocery retailer (81%) – technologies include Python, TensorFlow, Keras, flask

Maastricht University, NL

B.Sc. International Business, Cum Laude

09/2013 - 07/2016 • GPA: 8.8 out of 10 (top 3%), Finance major, Beta Gamma Sigma international honour society

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Exchange semester as part of B.Sc.

09/2015 - 12/2015 • Investment and Portfolio Analysis, Negotiations, Computing, Chinese Economic History

Burgau-Gymnasium, Düren, GER

Higher Education Entrance Qualification

09/2004 - 06/2013 • Graduated first in class with a GPA of 1.0 (equivalent to A*A*A*A*)

Professional Experience

Lloyds Banking Group, London

Data and Software Engineer

04/2019 - present

- Currently building a big data platform (streaming/storage) on Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- Previously Data and Software Engineer for Machine Learning applications developing software and data pipelines for large-scale financial data sets; Lead Engineer model monitoring Python package and Personal Loans project; delivering training for Data Science graduate class
- Certifications: Google Cloud Certified Associate Cloud Engineer (02/2020)
- Technologies: Python, PySpark, Beam, Kafka, SQL, Jenkins, Docker, Terrafom, GCP products

IOTA Foundation, London

Research and Development – M.Sc. Thesis

04/2018 - 09/2018

- Simulation framework developed in Python, research published awarded Distinction
- Collaborated with researchers of IOTA Foundation in Berlin and Tel Aviv in cooperation with Imperial College Centre for Cryptocurrency Research and Engineering and Outlier Ventures

GP Bullhound, Berlin

Tech Investment Banking – Intern

03/2017 - 07/2017

- Direct collaboration with analysts in London, Paris and San Francisco received return offer
- Supported senior deal team with regard to investment documents, financial models, valuations and offer analysis, management of data rooms, performing research and analysis

SevenVentures / ProSiebenSat.1 Media SE, Munich

Growth Investments – Intern

09/2016 - 12/2016

- Worked for the Venture Capital (media investment) unit of the ProSiebenSat.1 group
- Prepared investment proposals and other documents for the investment committee, screened B2C-markets/potential targets, evaluated business plans and financial models, due diligence

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Interests and travels

Technologies

- GCP, Python, PyData, PySpark, PyCharm, SQL, Git, Linux, macOS (advanced)
- Beam, Kafka, Jenkins, Docker, Terraform, Hadoop, Atlassian stack, LaTeX (basic)
- Languages • German (native), English (fluent)
 - Football, gym, cooking, DJing
 - Exploring developing economies: China, Taiwan, Vietnam and the Philippines 09/2015 - 01/2016; Cuba 07/2016; Myanmar, Laos and Thailand 01/2017 - 02/2017; Mexico, Belize and Colombia 10/2018 - 12/2018