Michael Schröder

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Experience

2019-present Research Assistant, TU Wien, Vienna, Austria.

Graduate research in programming languages and software engineering. Currently working on refinement type systems for ad hoc grammar inference.

Aug-Nov 2021 **Research Internship**, *Microsoft Research*, Cambridge, UK.

Worked with Katja Kevic and Brendan Murphy to find feature flag interdependencies in the Microsoft Office codebase. Developed causal inference method based on patterns in telemetry data. A paper based on this work was published at ESEC/FSE 2022.

Oct-Nov 2019 Research Visit, MIT CSAIL, Cambridge, MA.

Hosted by Jürgen Cito and Martin Rinard. Worked on large-scale analysis of personal configuration scripts on GitHub. Resulted in publication of paper in EMSE. Funded by the Christiana Hörbiger award for the mobility of young scientists.

2016–2017 **Co-Founder & CTO**, Auctionist, Vienna, Austria.

An online auction house for fine art and collectibles. Business development, interaction design, full-stack web engineering. Managed scalable deployments of Haskell backend.

2015–2021 Mobile App Developer / AR Consultant, Refrakt, Berlin, Germany.

Developed artistic, educational, and commercial mixed reality experiences, including:

- the Refrakt app, a virtual museum in augmented reality,
- SwellAR, a prototype visualising real-time oceanic currents for the Humboldt Forum,
- TAMAM, a companion app for Berlin's Museum of Islamic Art.
- 2015–2017 University Assistant, TU Wien, Vienna, Austria.

Taught programming to ~800 undergraduate computer science students per year. Responsible for weekly recitations in smaller groups and devising and grading of exams.

Mar–Jun 2014 **Research Practicum**, *University of New South Wales (UNSW)*, Sydney, Australia. Developed *Transactional Memory with Finalizers*, an extension to the runtime system of the Glasgow Haskell Compiler (GHC). Invited to present work at Oracle Labs, Brisbane. *Funded by a stipend from TU Wien*.

Education

2019-present **PhD, Computer Science**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria.

Working on inferring formal grammars for ad hoc parsers via refinement types. Advised by Jürgen Cito.

- 2012–2015 **MSc, Software Engineering & Internet Computing**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria. Thesis: **Durability and Contention in Software Transactional Memory**. Advised by Jens Knoop and Gabriele Keller (UNSW). *Graduated with distinction*.
- 2007–2012 **BSc, Software & Information Engineering**, *TU Wien*, Vienna, Austria. Thesis: **Optimizing Lua using run-time type specialization**. Advised by M. Anton Ertl. *Graduated with distinction*.

Selected Publications

- ESEC/FSE Discovering Feature Flag Interdependencies in Microsoft Office.
 - 2022 Michael Schröder, Katja Kevic, Dan Gopstein, Brendan Murphy, Jennifer Beckmann.
- ICSE NIER Grammars for Free: Toward Grammar Inference for Ad Hoc Parsers.
 - 2022 Michael Schröder and Jürgen Cito.
 - **EMSE** An Empirical Investigation of Command-Line Customization.
 - 2022 Michael Schröder and Jürgen Cito.
 - **KPS** Transactional Tries.
 - 2015 Michael Schröder.

Service

I have served on the junior program committee for MSR (2024, 2023); the extended review committee for ECOOP (2023, 2022); the artifact evaluation committees for PLDI (2024, 2023), ESOP/FASE/FoSSaCS (2024), ECOOP (2023, 2022), ISSTA (2024, 2023, 2022), and The Programming Journal (Volumes 7 and 8); the program committee of the CIKM 2020 resource track; and was an additional reviewer for the ICSE 2021 Demonstrations track.

I was a beginner's mentor at **ZuriHac** (2015) and served as a student volunteer at the **Vienna Summer of Logic** (2014) and **HiPEAC** (2014).

Teaching

- 2019-present Web Engineering, TU Wien.
 - winner of the Best Distance Learning Award (2020).
 - finalist for Best Lecture Award (2022) and Special Award for Digital Teaching (2022).
 - 2015–2017 **Program Construction**, TU Wien.
 - 2012–2014 Functional Programming (Student Tutor), TU Wien.

Other Projects

2015–present Landjäger Kürzestfilm Festspiele, Vienna, Austria.

The world's shortest film festival, where every film has to be exactly twelve seconds long. Hosting and co-writing the annual(ish) award show.

2015 Queerbot, Roboexotica, Vienna, Austria.

A cocktail robot that aimed to get people drunk and challenge misconceptions about genotype and phenotypic expression of gender and sexuality. Coding and UX design.

Language Skills

- English (fluent), German (native).
- Haskell, Python, C, Obj-C, Swift, JavaScript, Java, SQL.