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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science

2019 - 2024

TU Berlin, Germany

Grade: Summa cum laude

Dissertation title: "Fine-grained Reuse and Feature Transformations in Machine Learning Systems"

Supervisor: [Matthias Boehm](#)

M.Tech in Software Systems.

2014 – 2016

Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani.

CGPA: 9.02

Dissertation title: "Commit Time Materialized View Maintenance for Bulk Load Operations in Teradata"

SUMMARY

I specialize in Data Management. During my PhD, I explored different aspects of the data **system internals** to address high computational redundancy within ML tasks. I am a regular contributor to **Apache SystemDS**, a leading open-source system for end-to-end data science. In addition, I have a strong background in relational database systems having worked extensively on the **query engine** of **Teradata** prior to my PhD.

SELECTED PROJECTS

- Holistic Lineage-based **Reuse and Memory Management** for Multi-backend ML Systems (EDBT 2025).
- **Parallelization Strategies** for Feature Transformations in Machine Learning Workloads (PVLDB 2022).
- Fine-grained **Lineage Tracing** and Reuse in Machine Learning Systems (SIGMOD 2021).
- SystemDS: A **Machine Learning System** for the End-to-End Data Science Lifecycle (CIDR 2020).
- Commit Time **Materialized View Maintenance** for Bulk Load Operations in Teradata (ICECCT 2019).
- Fast-path Column Add in Teradata Database

RESEARCH & INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

April 2019 - Present

TU Berlin, Germany, TU Graz, Austria

- Primary contributor to [Apache SystemDS](#), an open-source end-to-end ML system.
- System internals from compiler to multi-backend runtime (CPU, Spark, GPU).

Sr. Software Engineer

July 2010 – March 2019

Teradata Labs, India

- Contributed to query execution engine of **Teradata database**.
- Design and implementation of [Read Committed isolation level](#), [Fast Column Add](#), [Global Space Accounting](#), and many other features.

OPEN-SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

- **Apache SystemDS**: Regular contributor to Apache SystemDS.
- **Reproducibility**: Availability and reproducibility of [all paper experiments](#).
- **Benchmarks**: FTBench [benchmark](#) for feature transformation workloads with [reference implementations](#).
- **Invited Talks**: A Tutorial Workshop on ML4Sys and Sys4ML, BTW 2023, AWS Berlin, 2024.

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