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Curriculum Vitae

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Relevant Experience

8/2024 - **Cloud Data Architect: diconium data**, FREELANCE, Munich.

3/2025 Part of agile team (8 members) providing cloud data analytics platform for business departments of world-leading automotive OEM. Migrated cloud infrastructure within AWS with Terraform. Challenged architecture of existing data pipelines, data models, and cloud services. Improved on findings and implemented new pipelines.

Skills: AWS, Redshift, Glue, Terraform, Python, Tableau, CI/CD, PySpark, Collibra

11/2022 - **Lead Data Engineer: Swiss Foreign Trade Statistics**, FREELANCE, Bern.

8/2024 Part of two agile teams (18 members) providing data analytics platform for customs and border security business departments. Redesigned ETL architecture for ~60 data products processing customs and personal data. Improved speed by factor of ~100. Technical lead in decision making with architects and code review for 12 developers.

Skills: Python, Airflow, PySpark, dbt, Iceberg, SQL, NiFi, Kubernetes, AWS S3, Kafka

1/2022 - **Senior Data Engineer: industrial machine manufacturer**, INOVEX, Munich.

9/2022 Part of agile team (~30 members) providing cloud data platform for industry leading business departments. Designed and implemented architecture for ~30 ETL applications and APIs processing global IoT data on a terabyte scale. Deployment of various managed services in hybrid cloud setup. Enablement of client developers. Optimized architecture to save ~4000€ per month. Knowledge-Sharing for up to 60 colleagues.

Skills: Python, Azure, Databricks, PySpark, SQL, NiFi, Kubernetes, Shell, CI/CD, Terraform

6/2020 - **Data/ML Engineer: kitchen appliance manufacturer**, INOVEX, Munich.

12/2021 Long-term engagement with multiple roles for industry leading commercial kitchen appliance manufacturer. Contributed to several agile teams (1–10 members), delivering cloud-based and on-premises data and ML solutions for globally distributed IoT data. Designed and implemented scalable ETL and machine learning architectures processing data on terabyte scale. Realized secure and maintainable dashboarding applications with focus on sensitive laboratory data and clean software principles across 11 Python projects. Migrated ETL pipelines and web APIs from on-premises to Docker-based services on Azure. Designed and implemented on-premises ETL pipelines and web APIs for ML applications. Took full responsibility from raw data collection to processing and visualization, including deployment. Introduced and optimized DevOps practices with CI/CD pipelines and testing. Served as main contact for stakeholders and enabled client developers through knowledge sharing.

Skills: Python, Azure, Databricks, PySpark, SQL, Shell, Terraform, Elasticsearch, Kibana

9/2019 - **Guest Researcher**, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, Pittsburgh.

4/2020 Designed and realized data collection pipeline for thermal comfort-related data including biosignals and occupant controls. Optimized, deployed, and evaluated machine learning models for infrared heating panel control with focus on interpretability. Reduced command frequency by 79% and increased thermal comfort to 89%. Published findings ([paper](#), [code](#), [data](#)).

Skills: IoT, Python, scikit-learn, fastai, Swift, Cloud Computing, Explainable AI

- 10/2018 - **Data Scientist: Student Job**, INOVEX, Munich.
5/2020 Evaluated machine learning frameworks with focus on tabular data sets.
Skills: extensive Python programming, scikit-learn, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Parquet

Studies

- 10/2018 - **Data Engineering & Analytics, M.Sc.**, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY MUNICH.
9/2019 *Grade when canceled: 1.9*
Focus: data engineering, machine learning, distributed systems, deep learning
- 10/2016 - **Informatics, M.Sc.**, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY MUNICH.
4/2020 *Final grade: 1.3*
Focus: software engineering & architecture, agile project management, machine learning
- 10/2017 - **Study Abroad**, MULTIMEDIA UNIVERSITY MALAYSIA.
3/2018 Focus: software engineering, software quality
- 10/2013 - **Informatics, B.Sc.**, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY MUNICH.
10/2016 *Final grade: 2.3*
Focus: software engineering, machine learning, business analytics, database systems

Skills

- Coding: *Expert:* Python, SQL, Shell
Extended: JavaScript, R, Java, C#
- Azure: Databricks, Synapse, Data Factory, Functions, ARM, Blob, ADLS, Queues, Fileshare, DevOps, SQL DB, Cosmos DB, App Services, Container Instances, Key Vault, Event Grid, VNet, Logic Apps, Active Directory, Event Hub, Stream Analytics
- AWS: Databricks, Redshift, Athena, Glue, Lambda, SF, S3, VPC, EC2, ECS, EMR
- Others: *Expert:* Terraform, Databricks, PySpark, Spark Streaming, Airflow, dbt, Iceberg, Delta, NiFi, Kafka, Docker, CI/CD, Scrum, SAFe, Clean Code, RDBMS, NoSQL, MongoDB, Elasticsearch, Kibana, Atlassian Stack, fast learning
Extended: Kubernetes, Tableau, PowerBI, Grafana, FastAPI

Awards & Certificates

- 11/2023 **Databricks Certified Data Engineer Professional**, DATABRICKS.
- 11/2022 **Azure Data Engineer Associate**, MICROSOFT.
- 11/2022 **Associate Developer for Apache Spark 3.0 (Python)**, DATABRICKS.
- 1/2021 **Data Engineering Nanodegree**, UDACITY.
- 10/2019 - **DAAD IFI scholarship**, GERMAN ACADEMIC EXCHANGE SERVICE.
4/2020 For research stay of highly qualified young German researchers in the field of artificial intelligence at excellent partner institutes abroad.