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<b>Since Dec 2019</b>	<b>University College London, UK</b> <i>Senior Research Software Engineer and Podcaster</i> I manage and deliver software solutions for research (Python, JavaScript/React, Swift) Lead and mentor small team of engineers I am also the producer and host of the <i>Code for Thought</i> podcast aimed at engineers and scientists
<b>June 2013 – Nov 2019</b>	<b>Elsevier Ltd, London, UK</b> <i>Solutions Architect and Mobile Team Manager</i> Optimised search solutions for digital products (ElasticSearch) and cloud solutions (AWS). Led a mobile team to deliver the Mendeley mobile app (iOS/Android).
<b>May 2012 – May 2013</b>	<b>Alfresco Software Ltd, Maidenhead, UK</b> <i>Senior iOS Engineer</i> Develop and deliver the Alfresco iOS app, contribute to the Apache open source OpenCMIS project
<b>Jul 2007 – Apr 2012</b>	<b>Symbian/Nokia, London, UK</b> <i>Engineering and Operations Manager</i> Led large inhouse engineering and offshore contracting teams. Managed operations of part of the Symbian OS (audio/graphics)
<b>Jan 2005 – Jun 2007</b>	<b>Sibelius/Avid, London, UK</b> <i>Scrum Master, Senior Software Engineer</i> Responsible for the development (C++) delivery of foreign language versions and the Sibelius web app "Scorch"
<b>Dec 2000 - Dec 2004</b>	<b>Sony, Basingstoke, UK</b> <i>Agile Team Lead, Senior Software Engineer</i> Responsible for delivering innovative R&D digital media solutions based on C++/Java, XML/XSLT. Contributor to the IEEE on the MXF media format standard
<b>May 1997 - Nov 2000</b>	<b>Royal Brompton Hospital, London, UK</b> <i>Research Fellow Medical Imaging/Physics</i> Developing and delivering medical image solutions in Java/C++ for a clinical research project.
<b>Jan 1991 – Apr 1997</b>	<b>Universität Hamburg, Germany</b> <i>Research Fellow, Ph.D. student, tutor</i> Research on experimental particle physics (CERN), tutoring undergraduate students, maintenance of large complex software packages (FORTRAN/C++)

## General Info

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### Podcast: Code for Thought

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### Twitter

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### Nationalities

German, British

### Languages

- English (fluent)
- German (native)
- French (B2)

## Skills

### Management

- Project Management
- Agile (Scrum/XP)
- Team leading/building
- Mentoring

### Recent Technologies

- Python, JavaScript, Java, React, Swift
- AWS, Terraform
- Docker, Jupyter, XCode, git...

## Education

Ph.D. Physics, Uni. Hamburg (1996)

B.Sc. Molecular Biology, Birkbeck College, London (2005)

## PUBLICATIONS

- An Energy Efficient Implementation of Differential Synchronisation on Mobile Devices – (V. Pammer, J. Simon, P. Schmidt), *Mobiquitous London* **2014**
- File Formats for Storage, chapter 2.9 Chapter in 'Broadcast Engineer's Reference Book,' Focal Press/Elsevier **2004** (Editor Joe Tozer) p. 265-277
- XML Based Dictionaries for MXF/AAF applications *IBC* **2002** – P Schmidt, G Sylvester-Bradley, D Beenham (paper and presentation)
- Conversion factors for the estimation of effective dose in paediatric cardiac angiography *Phys. Med. Biol.* 45 (**2000**), 3095 – 3107, P Schmidt, D Dance, E Castellano, C Skinner, J McNeill
- Estimation of radiation induced risk in paediatric cardiac angiography *European Congress of Radiology, Vienna* **2000** (p.151), P Schmidt, D Dance, E Castellano, C Skinner, J McNeill, E Shinebourne.
- Ph.D. Thesis: Study of proton-antiproton annihilation to  $\pi^0 K^+ K^-$  (Crystal Barrel experiment/CERN – Universität Hamburg, 1996)

## Membership Since 2020

Society for Research  
Software Engineering, UK

## Fellowship Since 2021

Software Sustainability  
Institute, UK