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§ Professional Summary

Machine Learning and NLP expert with 10+ years of experience in ML algorithms, large-scale data engineering, and software development. Passionate about research, teaching, and consulting. Strong leadership skills with a proven track record in mentoring, project management, and fostering collaborations.

§ Professional Experience

Language Technology Group & HITeC e.V., University of Hamburg, Germany
since 07/2023 **Postdoctoral Research Scientist**
10/2016 to 06/2023 . . **Pre-doctoral Research Scientist**

- ▶ Conducted original research in NLP and AI with Prof. Chris Biemann
- ▶ Led and developed ML-driven projects, collaborating with industry partners
- ▶ Supervised 30+ theses, interns, and student researchers
- ▶ Maintained key infrastructure, including a Hadoop cluster and GPU servers
- ▶ Organized research workshops and served as a reviewer for 50+ issues
- ▶ **Key Achievements:** Successfully defended Ph.D. (2023)

Freelance Consulting Services, Germany
since 2016, occasional & part-time

- ▶ Provided expert guidance on NLP and ML projects for clients such as Glanos GmbH, T-Systems, and Merck KGaA

International Business Machines (IBM)

05/2015 to 11/2015 . . **Research Intern at the Zurich Research Lab, Rüschlikon, Switzerland**

- ▶ Developed systems for Named Entity Recognition and Relation Extraction
07/2014 to 10/2014 . . **Research Intern at the Thomas J. Watson Research Center, Yorktown Heights, NY, USA**

▶ Enhanced knowledge graphs using distributional semantics
Technical University of Darmstadt & DIPF (Germany)

04/2013 to 06/2016 . . **Researcher**

- ▶ Worked on Knowledge Discovery in Scientific Literature ([§KDSL](#)) projects

ConWeaver GmbH, Darmstadt, Germany

10/2012 to 05/2013 . . **Software Engineer (full time)**

2009 to 09/2012 **Software Engineer (part-time)**

🔗 [full list](#)

§ Education

Dr.rer.nat. (Ph.D.) in Computer Science, University of Hamburg, Germany (2023)

Thesis: "Domain Defining Context: On Domain-Dependent Corpus Expansion and Contextualized Semantic Structuring"

M.Sc. in Computer Science, Technical University of Darmstadt, Germany (2012)

Thesis nominated for best thesis award at GSCL

🔗 [full list](#)

§ Research & Scientific Contributions

- ▶ **Research Projects:** JOIN-T2, WebAnno meets EXMARaLDA, BIMDanube, KDSL
- ▶ **Visiting Researcher:** Bar Ilan University (Israel), IIT Kharagpur (India)
- ▶ **Conference & Journal PC:** EMNLP, ACL, AACL, TPAMI, TACL, ...
- ▶ **Workshops & Shared Tasks Organized:** GermEval 2020, GermEval 2019, Biomedical Information Management Workshops, IBM Watson workshops

§ Awards & Grants

- ▶ **2022:** Supervised a DAAD-funded student research project (Eur 10,000 grant)
- ▶ **2019:** DAAD-funded international research collaboration in India (Eur 3,000 grant)
- ▶ **2015:** Best mentoring award, "Algorithms of Language Technology" course
- ▶ **2013 – 2016:** KDSL Graduate School Fellowship

§ Public Work

- ▶ (Co-)authored over 30+ peer-reviewed papers. (🔗 [full list](#))
- ▶ Contributed to 50+ open source project repositories on 3+ version control platforms (github, bitbucket, sourceforge, ...), in 7+ organizations of which I am maintainer/creator of 20+ projects.

Core Skills & Expertise

Machine Learning & AI:

NLP, Deep Learning, GenAI, Information Extraction, LLMs, RAG

Software Engineering:

IaaS, SaaS, PaaS, CI/CD, DevOps, Containerization, Microservices, Web-services

Data Engineering:

SQL, NoSQL, Vector Databases, MapReduce, Cluster Management, DFS, ETL

Management & Leadership:

Research Collaborations, Teaching, Supervision, Project Management, Workshop Organization

Problem-Solving & Analysis:

Critical Thinking, Algorithmic Design

Technical Skills

Programming Languages:

Python, Java, JavaScript, Scala, C#, R, L^AT_EX

Data & ML Frameworks:

PyTorch, Spark, Hadoop, Scikit-Learn

Databases:

PostgreSQL, PgVector, Milvus, ChromaDB, Elasticsearch, Redis, ...

Cloud & DevOps:

AWS, GCP, Azure, Docker, Kubernetes, Linux, SSH

Languages & Interests

Languages:

German (native), English (fluent), Spanish & French (basic)

Interests:

🏃 Running
🏄 Kitesurfing
🚴 Road Biking
💻 Technology
🔧 Problem-Solving