








# Vojtěch Sýkora

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## Skills

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**Programming Languages:** Python (PyTorch, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, OpenCV, TensorFlow), C++, LaTeX, Markdown

**Development Tools:** Git, Github, Linux, VS Code, GitLab, Canva

**Languages:**  English (C1),  German (B1),  Czech (Native)

## Experience

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### Synthavo, Machine Learning Engineer

Stuttgart, Germany  
Dec 2024 – Present

- Developing a multi-modal pipeline for extracting and analyzing switchboard schematics.
- Engineering end-to-end solutions including object detection, instance segmentation, rotation recognition, text recognition, and edge detection.
- Designing preprocessing and labeling strategies to handle diverse schematic layouts.
- Extracting semantics from intricate electric diagrams to deliver actionable insights for enterprise customers (market cap up to €180B).

### Czech Institute of Informatics, Robotics and Cybernetics, Machine Learning Researcher

Prague, Czechia  
Mar 2023 – Jul 2023

- Conducted research on identifying the most congested areas in urban environments, focusing on Dublin and Luxembourg.
- Developed and adapted gravitational clustering techniques to detect high-traffic regions, optimizing urban mobility analysis.
- Contributed to a larger framework integrating centralized traffic routing into the SUMO traffic simulation environment.
- Worked with publicly available traffic datasets, applying data-driven approaches to identify problematic traffic zones.
- Co-authored a paper submitted to Expert Systems with Applications (ESWA), Elsevier.

### Charles University, Data Scientist

Prague, Czechia  
Jul 2020 – Dec 2022

- Project 1 (2020): Analyzed 600K+ records in MySQL using Python-based algorithms to compare and extract key insights.
- Project 2 (2022): Developed an animated choropleth map for visualizing demographic shifts (Python, GeoJSON, NumPy, Pandas, Plotly).

### US Air Force Research Lab & CTU FEE AI Center, Artificial Intelligence Researcher

Prague, Czechia  
Sep 2021 – Jul 2022

- Contributed to the FRAS (Flexible and Resilient Autonomous Systems) research project, funded by the US Air Force Research Lab.
- Developed a Python and PDDL-based environment generator to train single and multi-agent AI planning strategies.
- Applied classical planning and game theory concepts to create robust algorithms for adversarial environments.

## Education

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### University of Tübingen, Master's in Machine Learning

Oct 2023 – Sep 2025

- Full scholarship from the DAAD for the entire study program of 2 years.
- Focused on Deep Learning, Computer Vision, and Reinforcement Learning.

- Thesis: Multi-modal Deep Learning for Automated Schematic Analysis.

#### **Czech Technical University in Prague, Bachelor's in Open Informatics**

Sep 2020 – Jun 2023

- Computer Science studies with a focus on Artificial Intelligence.
- Thesis: Proximal Policy Optimization for Car Racing with unpredictable Wind.

#### **prg.ai & Czech Technical University in Prague & Charles University, Prague AI Minor**

2021 – 2023

- An interdisciplinary AI curriculum bringing together students, teachers, and researchers from prestigious Prague universities.

## Projects

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### **Video Transformers for Classification and Captioning**

VideoMamba & SVT  
VideoUnderstanding 

Mar 2024 – Jul 2024


- Developed a transformer-based pipeline leveraging SVT and Video Mamba models on the Charades dataset.
- Engineered a custom data processing pipeline with sliding window inference, achieving up to 29.82 mAP.
- Integrated a GPT-2 based decoder for captioning, achieving BLEU-1 scores above 0.22.
- Tools Used: PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, OpenCV, Weights & Biases, Scikit-learn.

### **Instance Segmentation Challenge**

instance-segmentation-challenge   
Oct 2024


- Leveraged Detectron2 for accurate 2D object segmentation using bounding boxes and masks.
- Used a pre-trained Mask R-CNN model, achieving an overall Average Precision (AP) of 46.1.
- Tools Used: PyTorch, Detectron2, Mask R-CNN.

### **Proximal Policy Optimization for Car Racing**

PPOthesis   
Jul 2022 – Jun 2023

- Implemented Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO) algorithm for OpenAI CarRacing with custom Wind.
- Developed robust training strategies, optimized hyperparameters, and evaluated agent performance.
- Consistently reached a score of 900+, outperforming the environment baseline.
- Tools Used: Reinforcement Learning, PPO, OpenAI Gym, Autonomous Driving.

### **Ischemic Heart Disease Analysis in Germany**

IHD\_germany\_2024   
Oct 2023 – Apr 2024

- Conducted an analysis of ischemic heart disease (IHD) in Germany, identifying key risk factors.
- Applied statistical analysis and Random Forest regression to assess healthcare and lifestyle impacts.
- Found that alcohol consumption, median age, and healthcare expenditures significantly affect IHD mortality.
- Tools Used: Random Forest, SHAP Analysis, Matplotlib, Pandas, NumPy.

### **Urban Traffic Control Framework**

UTC\_Framework   
Mar 2023 – Jul 2023

- Conducted research on congested areas in Dublin and Luxembourg, optimizing urban mobility analysis.
- Developed and adapted gravitational clustering techniques to detect high-traffic regions.
- Integrated centralized traffic routing into the SUMO traffic simulation environment.
- Tools Used: Traffic Simulation, SUMO, PDDL, Gravitational Clustering, Python.