

# Martin Trapp

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## Academic Positions

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| Graz University of Technology   | MAY 2017 – JULY 2020  |
| <b>Project Assistant</b>  |                       |
| Intelligent System Group  |                       |
| Signal Processing and Speech Communication Lab                                    |                       |
| Research Topics: Sum-product networks, Bayesian learning, Bayesian nonparametrics |                       |
| University of Cambridge   | AUG. 2018 – SEP. 2018 |
| <b>Research Assistant</b>   |                       |
| Machine Learning Group, Computational and Biological Learning Lab                 |                       |
| Research Topics: Probabilistic programming, Bayesian nonparametrics               |                       |
| Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence (OFAI)                    | APR. 2015 – MAY 2019  |
| <b>Research Assistant</b>   |                       |
| Language and Interaction Technologies Group & Applied Cognitive Science Group     |                       |
| Research Topics: Statistical modelling, Applied machine learning                  |                       |
| VRVis Research Center   | JAN. 2009 – FEB. 2015 |
| <b>Research Assistant</b>   |                       |
| Biomedical Image Informatics Group  |                       |
| Research Topics: Biomedical Image Processing                                      |                       |

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## Education

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| PhD, Machine Learning   | Nov. 2015 – AUG. 2020 (EXPECTED) |
| <b>Graz University of Technology</b>  |                                  |
| Signal Processing and Speech Communication Lab  |                                  |
| Thesis Supervisors: Prof. Franz Pernkopf, and Asst. Prof. Robert Peharz (TU Eindhoven)  |                                  |
| Thesis Topic:   |                                  |
| Master of Science, Computational Intelligence   | OCT. 2009 – JAN. 2014            |
| <b>Vienna University of Technology</b>  |                                  |
| Thesis Supervisors: Prof. Robert Sablatnig, Dr. Katja Bühler                            |                                  |
| Thesis Topics: Fast and Accurate Localisation of Anatomical Landmarks on Medical Images |                                  |
| Bachelor of Applied Science, Software Engineering                                       | OCT. 2006 – JUN. 2009            |
| <b>University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien</b>                                    |                                  |
| Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Katja Bühler   |                                  |

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## Research Visits

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| University of Cambridge   | DEC. 2017 – JAN. 2018 |
| Machine Learning Group, Computational and Biological Learning Lab |                       |
| Hosts: Prof. Zoubin Ghahramani & Dr. Robert Peharz                |                       |
| Research Topics: Sum-product networks, Bayesian nonparametrics    |                       |

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## Selected Presentations

- Invited talk at NeurIPS workshop on Tractable Probabilistic Models on: Challenges and opportunities in Bayesian nonparametrics for tractable probabilistic models, expected in 2020.
  - Invited talk at the Czech Technical University in Prague on: Learning Sum-Product Networks, 2020.
  - Invited talk at the University of Cambridge on: Advances in Learning Sum-Product Networks, 2017.
  - Contributed talk at the Conference on Bayesian nonparametrics on: Infinite Sum-Product Networks, 2017.
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## Professional Activities

**Organising Committee:** Tractable Probabilistic Inference Meeting (T-PRIME), NeurIPS, 2019

**Reviewing:** Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) — International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) — Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS) — IEEE Transactions on Pattern Recognition and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI) — Machine Learning, Springer.

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## Software Skills

**Programming Languages:** Julia — Python — Java — C/C++ — Bash

**Software Systems:**  $\text{\LaTeX}$  — GitHub — SVN — AWS

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## Awards & Scholarships

**Awards:** International Communication Funding Award, Austrian Research Association, 2017 — Travel Award from the International Society for Bayesian Analysis, 2017

**Scholarships:** Vienna Biocenter Scholarships, 2015. (I refused the scholarship.)

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## Languages

**English** – native proficiency, **German** – native speaker

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## References

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