

General Information

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Nationality: German

Core Competencies

- Machine Learning and Deep Neural Networks
- Driver Assistance Systems and Autonomous Driving
- Vehicle Dynamics
- Electric Vehicles
- Embedded Software Development

Education

2021 **Clemson University**
MS Computer Science – Data Science and Informatics
(Fulbright Scholar, Research Assistant)

2016 - 2020 **Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt**
B. Sc. Aircraft and Vehicle Computer Science
Specialization: Automotive (7 semesters)

2018 **Exchange Semester at St. Cloud State University, Minnesota**

Teaching, Research and Work Experience

August 2021 **Research Assistant Drive Lab, Dr. Julian Brinkley**
Research in adaptive and personalized User Interfaces in Autonomous Driving and Ride-share for Passengers with special accessibility needs (such as disabled, blind, deaf) using AI

April 2020 – Aug 2021 **Upfront ADAS Validation Engineer at IVECO**
Design and Validation of ADAS Systems according to EU General Safety Regulation (responsible for Advanced Emergency Braking System, Blind Spot Detection, Moving Off Information); Supplier Coordination, Definition of Design, Requirements, Simulation, Testing and Validation

October - March 2020 **Bachelor's Thesis at BMW Group: "Using the Indian Buffet Process for Deep Neural Network Learning on Small Datasets"**
Federated Learning Model with an Embedded Bayesian Deep Neural Network for Customer Data Collection

January - March 2019 **Internship of 6 weeks at BMW**
Development of Android App to Measure Speed and Acceleration through GPS and Gyro during Tests via Smartphone

- October - March 2018 **Tutor for “Basics of C Programming Language”** class of Dr. rer. nat. Franz Regensburger at Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt
- February - June 2018 **Research of 18 weeks at BMW**
Optimization of Operational Strategy for Hybrid Vehicles under Dr. Roland Schmid; Development of Driving Resistance Estimator, Gear Estimator and General Validation of Test Cases
- July - September 2017 **Internship of 6 weeks at BMW**
Speed-Limit Information Development; Creation of XML based Test Cases for Continuous Integration

Scholarships, Awards and Community Service

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| 2022 | Research Assistant DriveLab |
| 2021 | School of Computing Graduate Student Government Member |
| 2021 | Fulbright Scholar |
| 2016 - 2020 | BMW Group SpeedUp Program Scholar |
| 2018 | Project Management Student Recognition Award by PMI Minnesota |
| 2018 | Travel Expense Grant by the State of Bavaria |
| 2016 | Paul Hartmann AG Award: Best state-wide final Grade and Exam in Computer Science with Business Background |

Languages

- German (mother tongue)
- English
- French