Wolfgang Spindeler, PhD

Experienced Data Scientist with a Focus on Experimentation and Product Analytics

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Professional Experience

eyeo (Germany, Remote)

eyeo's main products are the AdBlock and AdBlock Plus browser extensions used by over a hundred million users.

Senior Data Scientist

06/2025 - Present

- Driving revenue optimization by analyzing ad blocking and exposure algorithms through data analysis, A/B testing, and causal inference.
- Partnering with product and engineering teams to design experiments, define success metrics, and establish best practices for data-driven decision-making.

DeepL (Germany, Remote)

deepl.com is a freemium machine translation service with millions of daily users.

Staff Data Scientist - Experimentation

05/2023 - 05/2025

- Spearheaded the development of DeepL's in-house experimentation platform to analyze hundreds of concurrent A/B tests.
- Researched and implemented advanced statistical methodologies, including CUPED for variance reduction leading to 20% reduction in experiment runtime.

Data Science Lead - Data Analytics Platform

04/2021 - 04/2023

- Scaled the product data science and analytics team from 3 to 10 members, leading 5 Data
 Scientists across two teams.
- Provided strategic consulting to product and engineering teams on experimentation best practices.
- Built and maintained scalable data aggregation pipelines processing millions of daily user records.

Senior Data Scientist - Data Analytics Platform

10/2020 - 03/2021

- Designed and implemented robust data pipelines and statistical models for experimentation (Python, SQL).
- Developed machine learning models for subscription and churn prediction to improve business performance.
- Defined and operationalized critical business and product metrics for analytics and A/B testing.

trivago (Düsseldorf, Germany)

trivago.com is a global hotel search platform. Roles focused on A/B testing, anomaly detection, metrics reporting, and data infrastructure.

Data Science Team Lead - Marketplace

02/2020 - 09/2020

- Managed a team of one data scientist and one data engineer, ensuring project delivery and mentoring team members.
- Developed time-series-based anomaly detection algorithms to identify production data anomalies and metric degradation.
- Led the development of automated cleaning and processing pipelines for external data sources.

Data Scientist - Marketplace

01/2017 - 01/2020

- Created a Bayesian statistics library in Python for A/B testing.
- Acted as the data expert for trivago's analytics tool for external customers, designing key reporting metrics.

Junior Data Analyst - Sales

08/2016 - 12/2016

- Automated reporting and data export processes using Hive and R Shiny.
- Conducted in-depth analyses of customer behavior.

Intense AG (Cologne, Germany)

Junior Technical Consultant

02/2016 - 07/2016

Provided technical consulting and project management support for energy-focused clients.

University of Münster, Institute of Mathematics (Münster, Germany)

Research Assistant / Postdoc

08/2010 - 06/2015

- Conducted advanced research in pure mathematics, focusing on differential geometry.
- Taught undergraduate courses and supervised theses.
- Presented findings at international mathematical conferences and workshops.

Key Skills

- Experimentation & A/B Testing Statistical modeling, A/B test design and analysis, experimentation platforms, causal inference
- Data Analysis & Engineering Python, SQL, large-scale data aggregation and ETL pipelines, exploratory data analysis, metric design
- Machine Learning Classical ML methods (regression, tree-based), basic knowledge of neural networks and deep learning
- Leadership & Communication Team leadership, mentoring, cross-functional collaboration, stakeholder communication

Education

PhD in Mathematics

07/2014 - University of Münster

Research focused on Differential Geometry.

Languages

- German (native speaker)
- English (fluent)

Hobbies

· Chess, bouldering