Daniel Thevessen

US citizen, no sponsorship necessary

Experience

Site Reliability Engineering Intern

Ads Frontend SRE Team, London, UK

• Extended automation platform in use by 100+ internal services to manage capacity changes in global load balancer

Google

- Implemented CLI to enact temporary capacity changes, streamlining incident response for on-call engineers
- Wrote design documents, managed their review, and led conversations with involved teams

Graduate Research Assistant

- Hasso Plattner Institute • Currently researching causal structure learning on time series and working toward publication
- Spearheaded research project on unsupervised anomaly detection on time series, developing a robust benchmarking pipeline as main contributor, currently at 100+ stars on **O** Github

SAP Labs

ML Engineering Intern

Conversational AI Team, Innovation Center Silicon Valley

- Developed new models for custom entity extraction in NLP, improving accuracy by more than 10%
- Researched and implemented novel methods of representing text utterances and their intents, using these for visualization in an internal data science evaluation tool
- Took initiative to simplify this tool's deployment with Docker and set it up for a team from another department at SAP Singapore, earning internal award "SAP Appreciate" for my work

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• Worked with Python, Tensorflow, Django, Angular and Go

Lead Developer "Judge it!"

- Responsible for developing social networking app on Android and iOS with 10,000+ downloads
- Implemented Java EE backend and deployed entire infrastructure to AWS

Education

Hasso Plattner Institute

- M.S. in IT-Systems Engineering, best-ranked CS program in Germany (CHE 2018). Current average: 1.4 on German grading scale (1 is best, 5 is worst)
- Master's project "Design and Implementation of a Causal Inference Pipeline" - Developed a highly modular and distributed pipeline for running and analyzing statistical experiments
- Coursework: Deep Learning, Representation Learning, Causal Inference, Distributed Data Management, Data Preparation, In-Memory Data Management, Stochastic Processes, Bayesian Modeling

Potsdam, Germany

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Hasso Plattner Institute

- B.S. in IT-Systems Engineering. Final grade: 1.7 on German grading scale (1 is best, 5 is worst)
- **C** Thesis on class imbalance in feature selection for Machine Learning, final grade 1.0 (best possible)
- Co-wrote, published and presented paper at ECML PKDD 2017
- Coursework: Machine Learning, Big Data Analytics, Database Systems, Software Architecture, Computer Graphics, Theoretical CS, Competitive Programming, Operating Systems, Data Structures & Algorithms

Skills

- **Programming Languages**: Python, Java, Swift, R, C++, SQL
- Frameworks: Tensorflow, PyTorch, Java EE, Django, Scikit-learn, NLTK
- Tools: PostgreSQL, MySQL, AWS, Docker, Jupyter, Git

Additional Experience and Volunteering

- Organizer HackHPI 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019: Organized four successful hackathons with more than 100 participants and a budget each time well beyond \$10,000.
- HackZurich 2017 & 2018: Finalist in both years, selected out of 150+ teams to pitch in front of all attendants
- President Mobile Development Club (Oct 2016 Sep 2017): Supervised and advanced development of our university's app for looking up cafeteria plans, timetables, and accessing internal network drives. Organized biweekly meetings to discuss and share mobile development projects.

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Apr 2018 - present

Oct 2017 – Apr 2018

Nov 2015 – Sep 2017

Apr 2018 - Exp. Apr 2020

Oct 2014 - Sep 2017