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Professional Experience

Jan. 2025 – Present	ScaDS.AI & Dresden University of Technology <i>Research Associate</i> Researching generative large language models (LLMs) and knowledge graphs (KGs) for "evidence-based AI" and "scientific discovery"
Sept. 2020 – Aug. 2024	TUM Chair of Software Engineering for Business Information Systems <i>Research Associate</i> Led the "NLP-KG" project, which used LLMs, retrieval augmented generation (RAG), and a KG to enhance scientific document search
	Co-led the "CreateData4AI" project, which aimed to create an end-to-end pipeline for structured data generation for unstructured text corpora
	Co-led the "Technology Scouting as a Service" project, which aimed to develop an AI-based search algorithm for the engineering domain
	Co-organized "hackaTUM", the official hackathon of the Department of Com- puter Science at the Technical University of Munich
	Taught various software engineering and natural language processing courses in addition to supervision of thesis students
Nov. 2019 – Apr. 2020	MHP Management and IT Consulting Master's Thesis Student Researching defenses against adversarial attacks on deep neural networks for computer vision in the automotive industry
Oct. 2018 – Mar. 2019	Mercedes-Benz Group <i>Data Science Intern</i> Responsible for identifying dealer fraud using anomaly detection
Feb. 2018 – Sept. 2018	KIT Institute for Technology and Management in Construction Student Research Assistant Responsible for CAD modeling of 3D prints and Wiki database updates

Education

Jan. 2021 – Present	Technical University of Munich (TUM) <i>Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science</i> Research Areas: Natural Language Processing and Knowledge Graphs
Oct. 2017 – Aug. 2020	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) Master of Science in Information Engineering and Management Area of Specialization: Machine Learning and Data Science
Oct. 2012 – Sept. 2017	Universities of Stuttgart & Hohenheim Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Area of Specialization: IT in Business Enterprises

Selected Publications

- S. Meisenbacher, **T. Schopf**, W. Yan, P. Holl, and F. Matthes, "An improved method for class-specific keyword extraction: A case study in the German business registry," in *Proceedings of the 20th Conference on Natural Language Processing (KONVENS 2024)*, P. H. Luz de Araujo, A. Baumann, D. Gromann, B. Krenn, B. Roth, and M. Wiegand, Eds., Vienna, Austria: Association for Computational Linguistics, Sep. 2024, pp. 159–165. *O* URL: https://aclanthology.org/2024.konvens-main.18.
- **T. Schopf**, A. Blatzheim, N. Machner, and F. Matthes, "Efficient few-shot learning for multi-label classification of scientific documents with many classes," in *Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Natural Language and Speech Processing (ICNLSP 2024)*, M. Abbas and A. A. Freihat, Eds., Trento: Association for Computational Linguistics, Oct. 2024, pp. 186–198. *O* URL: https://aclanthology.org/2024.icnlsp-1.21.

T. Schopf and F. Matthes, "NLP-KG: A system for exploratory search of scientific literature in natural language processing," in *Proceedings of the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (Volume 3: System Demonstrations)*, Y. Cao, Y. Feng, and D. Xiong, Eds., Bangkok, Thailand: Association for Computational Linguistics, Aug. 2024, pp. 127–135. *O* URL: https://aclanthology.org/2024.acl-demos.13.

T. Schopf, D. Braun, and F. Matthes, "Evaluating unsupervised text classification: Zero-shot and similarity-based approaches," in *Proceedings of the 2022 6th International Conference on Natural Language Processing and Information Retrieval*, ser. NLPIR '22, Bangkok, Thailand: Association for Computing Machinery, 2023, pp. 6–15, ISBN: 9781450397629. *&* DOI: 10.1145/3582768.3582795.

T. Schopf, E. Gerber, M. Ostendorff, and F. Matthes, "AspectCSE: Sentence embeddings for aspect-based semantic textual similarity using contrastive learning and structured knowledge," in *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Recent Advances in Natural Language Processing*, R. Mitkov and G. Angelova, Eds., Varna, Bulgaria: INCOMA Ltd., Shoumen, Bulgaria, Sep. 2023, pp. 1054–1065. *O* URL: https://aclanthology.org/2023.ranlp-1.113.

P. Schneider, **T. Schopf**, J. Vladika, M. Galkin, E. Simperl, and F. Matthes, "A decade of knowledge graphs in natural language processing: A survey," in *Proceedings of the 2nd Conference of the Asia-Pacific Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics and the 12th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (Volume 1: Long Papers)*, Y. He, H. Ji, S. Li, Y. Liu, and C.-H. Chang, Eds., Online only: Association for Computational Linguistics, Nov. 2022, pp. 601–614. *O* URL: https://aclanthology.org/2022.aacl-main.46.

Skills & Certifications

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Languages	German Native Speaker, Fluent in English
Computer Languages	Python, R, C++, Java, JavaScript, TypeScript
ML/DL Frameworks & Libraries	PyTorch, LangChain, Hugging Face, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, scikit- learn, spaCy, NLTK, Gensim, Matplotlib, Seaborn
Other Technologies & Tools	FastAPI, SQL, MongoDB, Weaviate, Pinecone, Neo4j, Docker, HTML/CSS, Lager, Git, Next.js
Research	Academic research and teaching in the fields of Natural Language Processing, Knowledge Graphs, and Web Application Engineering
Personal	Personable, Strong Work Ethic, Organization, Excellent Communi- cation Skills
Certifications	Professional Scrum Master [™] (PSM I)