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PhD Student @ MPI-SWS

Professional Experience

- 2020 2021 **Startup project**
 - Video conversation-based meetup app
- 2018 2019 Internship, *Microsoft Research*, Cambridge, UK Network traffic prediction
- 2014 2018 **TA-ing**, Saarland University
 - Operating systems, computer graphics, programming, information systems, software internship
- 2012 –2013 **Internship**, *Apptastic*, Sydney Android development

Education

- Since 2017 **PhD in CS**, *Max Planck Institute for Software Systems (MPI-SWS)*, Saarbrücken Advised by Prof. Krishna P. Gummadi.
- 2016-2017 **PhD preparatory program**, Saarbrücken Graduate School of Computer Science GPA 1.4*
- 2013-2016 **Bachelor studies**, *Saarland University*Computer science with mathematics minor, GPA 1.6*
- 2004–2012 **High school**, Otto Hahn Gymnasium Saarbücken Abitur GPA 1.0*

Publications

- TMLR 2024 Understanding the Role of Invariance in Transfer Learning, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Vedant Nanda, Krishna P. Gummadi
- NeurIPS 2023 **Diffused Redundancy in Pre-trained Representations**, Vedant Nanda, <u>Till Speicher</u>, John P. Dickerson, Krishna P. Gummadi, Soheil Feizi, Adrian Weller
 - ICML 2022 Measuring Representational Robustness of Neural Networks Through Shared Invariances, Vedant Nanda, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Camila Kolling, John P. Dickerson, Krishna P. Gummadi, Adrian Weller
 - KDD 2018 A Unified Approach to Quantifying Algorithmic Unfairness: Measuring Individual & Group Unfairness via Inequality Indices, Till Speicher*, Hoda Heidari*, Nina Grgic-Hlaca, Krishna P. Gummadi, Adish Singla, Adrian Weller, Muhammad Bilal Zafar, *equal contribution
 - FAccT 2018 **Potential for Discrimination in Online Targeted Advertising**, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Muhammad Ali, Giridhari Venkatadri, Filipe Nunes Ribeiro, George Arvanitakis, Fabrício Benevenuto, Krishna P. Gummadi, Patrick Loiseau, Alan Mislove

^{*}German grading system: 1.0 best, 4.0 pass, 5.0 fail

- ICML Reliable Learning by Subsuming a Trusted Model: Safe Exploration of the Space of
- Workshop Complex Models @ Reliable Machine Learning in the Wild Workshop 2017, Till Speicher,
 - 2017 Muhammad Bilal Zafar, Krishna P. Gummadi, Adish Singla, Adrian Weller
- ACL 2014 A Generalized Language Model as the Combination of Skipped n-grams and Modified Kneser Ney Smoothing, Rene Pickhardt, Thomas Gottron, Martin Körner, Paul Georg Wagner, Till Speicher, Steffen Staab

Pre-prints

- 2024 Towards Reliable Latent Knowledge Estimation in LLMs: In-Context Learning vs. Prompting Based Factual Knowledge Extraction, Qinyuan Wu, Mohammad Aflah Khan, Soumi Das, Vedant Nanda, Bishwamittra Ghosh, Camila Kolling, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Laurent Bindschaedler, Krishna P. Gummadi, Evimaria Terzi
- 2024 Understanding Memorisation in LLMs: Dynamics, Influencing Factors, and Implications, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Mohammad Aflah Khan, Qinyuan Wu, Vedant Nanda, Soumi Das, Bishwamittra Ghosh, Krishna P. Gummadi, Evimaria Terzi
- 2023 **Pointwise Representational Similarity**, Camila Kolling, <u>Till Speicher</u>, Vedant Nanda, Mariya Toneva, Krishna P. Gummadi
- 2020 Unifying Model Explainability and Robustness via Machine-Checkable Concepts, Vedant Nanda, <u>Till Speicher</u>, John P. Dickerson, Krishna P. Gummadi, Muhammad Bilal Zafar

Skills

- ML & data PyTorch, Transformers, Lightning, Pandas, Numpy, DeepSpeed, etc.
 - science:
 - Web & React, Typescript, React Native, Expo, FastAPI, Hasura, PostgreSQL, etc. mobile:

Other Academic Activities

- Reviewing NeurIPS 2022 & 2024, ICML 2022 (top 10% reviewer) & 2023, ICLR 2023, RAI Workshop @ ICLR 2021, FILA Workshop 2020
 - 2019 MLSS, Machine Learning Summer School, London
- 2015-2017 **Scholarship**, *Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes*, Less than 1/3 of the top 5-10% of students selected
 - Afterwards served as selection committee member
 - 2012 Google Science Fair
 - Regional finalist
 - 2012 **German National Science Competition**, *Jugend Forscht*4th place at national level in category mathematics/computer science, multiple special awards

Sports

- Since 2015 **Triathlon**, competitive at regional (2 x state champion), national and international level
- Since 2011 **Coaching**, junior and adult groups in rescue swimming (volunteer)
- Until 2012 Rescue swimming, competitive at national and international level (world championship)
- Until 2012 **Swimming**, competitive at regional level (multiple times age group state champion)