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Education

2002	University of Mannheim	Ph.D., <i>Summa cum Laude</i>	Computer Science
1997	University of Heidelberg	Diplom, <i>With Distinction</i>	Theoretical Physics
1994	University of Heidelberg	Vordiplom, <i>Grade 1.0</i>	Mathematics
1994	University of Heidelberg	Vordiplom, <i>Grade 1.0</i>	Physics

Employment

- 12/09 - Professor (W3) for Informatics (since 2012 secondary affiliation in Mathematics),
 Chair of Computer Vision and Artificial Intelligence, **TU Munich**, Germany.
- 07/07 - 08/07 Visiting Researcher (with Prof. A. Blake) at **Microsoft Research, Cambridge, UK.**
- 10/05 - 11/09 Professor (W2) for Computer Science,
 Head of Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Group, **University of Bonn.**
- 08/04 - 09/05 Research Scientist, **Siemens Corporate Research, Princeton, NJ**,
 Department of Imaging and Visualisation,
Medical image analysis: 2D/3D segmentation, registration, statistical shape modeling.
- 12/02 - 08/04 Postdoctoral Researcher, **University of California at Los Angeles**,
 Department of Computer Science, with Prof. Stefano Soatto at the UCLA Vision Lab,
Bayesian methods in Computer Vision: joint motion estimation and segmentation,
Level set methods: shape knowledge in level set based segmentation.
- 06/99-11/02 Wiss. Angest., **University of Mannheim**, Dept. of Math. and
 Computer Science, with Prof. Christoph Schnörr in the Computer Vision Group,
Bayesian inference in Computer Vision: statistical shape knowledge in segmentation,
Machine learning: probabilistic kernel principal component analysis.
- 06/98 - 05/99 Wiss. Angest., **Humboldt University, Berlin**, Dept. of Biology,
 with Prof. Andreas V. M. Herz at the Institute of Theoretical Biology,
Computational neuroscience: equivalence of different field models of neural activity,
Signal processing in the brain: the role of feedback in the visual pathway.
- 01/96 - 05/98 Teaching and Research Assistant, **University of Heidelberg**, Dept. of
 Physics with Prof. Andreas Mielke and Prof. Franz Wegner, Statistical Physics,
Chaos and quantum mechanics: a classically chaotic system in quantum mechanics,
Diagonalizing Hamilton operators: Birkhoff transformation vs. flow equation formalism.
- 06/95 - 09/95 Fulbright scholar, **State University of New York at Stony Brook**,
 Dept. of Physics, with Prof. K. K. Likharev in the Rapid Single-Flux-Quantum Lab,
Development and testing of superconducting computer chips.

Selected Professional Activities

Associate Editor:	IEEE T. on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI) (2008-2014), International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV) (2008-), SIAM J. on Imaging Sciences (2011-), Dagstuhl OASICs, IROS '13,...
General Chair:	Europ. Conf. on Computer Vision (ECCV) 2018 (in Munich)
Program Chair:	Asian Conf. on Computer Vision (ACCV) 2014, EMMCVPR 2009.
Area Chair:	CVPR '09, '11, '12, '13, '14, '18, ICCV '11, '13, '17, ECCV '20,...
Scientific Directorate:	Schloss Dagstuhl Leibniz Center for Informatics (Honorary Member)
Co-Founder&Coordinator:	Munich Center for Machine Learning, ELLIS Munich
Co-Founder:	Munich Data Science Institute, FabliTec UG, Artisense Corporation

Selected Honors and Awards

2020	ERC Advanced Grant (3.5 million €)
2019	Member of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences and Humanities
2018	IAS Carl von Linde Senior Fellowship
2018	3DV Best Paper Award
2018	ICRA Best Vision Paper Award Finalist
2017	TUM Informatics Best Lecture Award
2016	Gottfried-Wilhelm-Leibniz Award (2.5 million €)
2016	CVPR Best Paper Honorable Mention
2016	SGP Best Paper Award
2015	ERC Consolidator Grant (2 million €)
2014	Google Faculty Research Award
2013	ICRA Best Vision Paper Award Finalist
2010	listed among Germany's Top 40 Researchers below 40 (Capital, Dec. 2010)
2009	ERC Starting Grant (2 million €)
2005	Emmy Noether Scholarship , 5-year grant from the German Research Foundation (DFG) , including funding for 2 full PhD positions
2005	UCLA Chancellor's Award for Postdoctoral Research 2005 , selected among more than 1000 postdoctoral researchers
2004	Olympus Award 2004 (highest award of the German Pattern Recognition Society)
2004	Best Paper of the Year 2003 (Intl. Pattern Recognition Society)
2003	Nomination for Best Thesis in Computer Science 2002 by the Germany Society of Computer Science (Gesellschaft für Informatik)
2002	DAGM Main Conference Award , German National Conference on Pattern Recognition
94/95	Fulbright Scholar in Indiana (Indiana State Univ.) and New York (SUNY at Stony Brook)
1993	Member of German Nat. Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes) (less than top 0.5 % of German university students), 1993 – 1998

Selected Patents

EP20130190218	An apparatus and method for tracking and reconstructing 3D objects
EP2530623	Wave kernel signature for feature description
US7724954	Method and system for interactive image segmentation
US20070165943	System and method for image registration using nonparametric priors and statistical learning techniques
US7889922	Method and system for histogram calculation using a graphics processing unit
US7873185	Method for detection and tracking of deformable objects
US7672516	Statistical priors for combinatorial optimization: efficient solutions via graph cuts
US7773806	Efficient kernel density estimation of shape and intensity priors for level set segmentation

Language Skills

German (native language), **English** (5 years in the US), **French** (1 1/2 years in France),
Russian (1/2 year in Russia), **Chinese & Spanish** (several years at university in Heidelberg/Berlin)

Personal Interests

Music: several years of singing in choirs in Heidelberg, Berlin and Bonn
Sports: 10 years of Judo, rock climbing, running, swimming, snowboarding, scuba diving, surfing
Theater: 2 semesters at Heidelberg University

References

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