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Curriculum Vitae

Personal Information

born on June 7, 1972 in Burgau, Germany
German citizen

Professional Activities

- 9/2002–today Employed as project leader at Verified Systems International GmbH
(www.verified.de). Activities include:
Tool-Development,
Performing system- and error-analysis,
Construction and maintenance of test-beds,
Preparation and performing training courses on tool and tool-environment
usage
tool support (mail and phone)
2004 onward: in the function of a quality manager (ISO-9001 certified com-
pany):
process development, documentation, assesment, planning and performing
of quality audits
- 12/2000-12/2001 European Project No. IST-1999-10069, “Advanced Information Techno-
logy-Workshop for Object Oriented Design and Development of Embed-
ded Systems” (AIT-WOODDES), responsible person for scientific partner
Aalborg University,
collaboration on the UML profile for Real-Time Modeling, integration of var-
ious verification techniques is the object-oriented design process ROPES
- 7/2001-8/2001 Stanford Research Institute SRI International, Menlo Park, USA
research group John Rushby,
development of an abstraction-based framework for the verification of real-
time systems

9/2000-2/2001	Uppsala University, Sweden, research group Wang Yi design of an hierarchical modeling language for real-time systems, XML representation, design and reference implementation of a translation mechanism catering for the real-time model-checker Uppaal
4/2001-6/2001 and 4/2000-6/2000	Århus/Aalborg University: instructor Ph.D.-level course "Verification", taught by Kim G. Larsen; responsible for applied verification tools
9/1999-11/1999	University of Pennsylvania (UPenn), Philadelphia, USA research group Rajeev Alur, design and implementation of heuristic structuring algorithms for the model-checker Mocha
2/1999-6/1999	University of Aarhus, instructor in the undergrad course "Fundamentale Modeller" (automata theory and formal languages), taught by Prof. Flemming Nielson
10/1997-2/1998 and 10/1996-2/1997	University of Ulm, department for artificial intelligence teaching assistant in the undergrad course "Grundlagen der Künstlichen Intelligenz" (introduction to artificial intelligence), taught by Prof. Friedrich von Henke et.al.
9/1996-10/1996	Stanford Research Institute SRI International, Menlo Park, USA research group John Rushby, design and implementation of decision procedures for bit-vectors in the automated theorem prover PVS, based on preliminary work in Ulm on this topic
9/1995-2/1996	University of Ulm, department for artificial intelligence, research assistant, modeling of the language Occam in the theorem prover PVS

IT Skills

hands-on programming experience with Java, C (very good), C++ (good), Lisp (very good), Assembler (good), SML (good), and Prolog (basic)

extensive user-experience with different tools for formal verification, in particular Uppaal (expert), Mocha (very good), PVS (good), CWB (good), SPIN (good), and Otter (basic)

very good developer experience as part of the project team of the tools Uppaal, Mocha, and PVS (Java/C++/Common Lisp)

comprehensive experience in using syntax-analysis tools like lexer/parser pairs (flex/yacc, javacc)
good understanding of object-oriented design methodologies and the unified modeling language (UML)

familiarity with common software engineering tools, including configuration management (CVS, SVN, ClearCase) and failure tracking (ClearQuest, GNATS)

familiarity with scripting languages like Perl and Awk, experienced in programming Makefiles

good understanding of the operating systems UNIX/Linux, experienced in bash shell programming

thorough user-experience with MS Windows-based applications, MS Word; familiar with Staroffice and Acrobat Reader

basic understanding of web-publishing, HTML, XML, and Javascript

exhaustive user-experience with the text-processor \LaTeX and the graphical editor xfig

daily use of the editor Emacs, good experience with programming of extensions (emacs lisp)

Additional Skills

language skills: German (mother tongue), technical English (fluent), Danish (good)

thorough experience in the presentation of technical material, due to numerous talks given in international conferences

routine in organization and planning, partially due to frequent external stays in connection with research projects and personal vacation tours

familiar in preparation and moderation of discussions, due to years of voluntary work for the German scout organization DPSG as troop leader, chapter manager, member of organization teams on district and diocese level,

preparation and conduction of leader educations, working with the project method

Areas of Expertise

formal methods: modeling and specification, mathematical foundations, abstraction techniques

algorithmic verification: decision procedures, model-checking, automated theorem-proving, special cases and common optimizations, approximation techniques

symbolic data-structures: binary decision diagrams (BDDs), zone-based representation of real-time via difference bounded matrices (DBMs) and clock decision diagrams (CDDs)

logic: Kripke-structures, temporal logics, branching-time and linear-time operators

complexity theory: decidability, hard problems, NP-completeness, formal languages, automata theory, classification of real-time systems

Higher Education and Degrees

May 7, 2002	Ph.D. degree in science, University of Aarhus, Denmark
7/1998-5/2002	BRICS international PhD school, Århus, Denmark applied there based on BRICS' reputation in education and research supervisor: Kim G. Larsen (Aalborg University) main topics: verification, formal methods, real-time systems participation in international conferences and presentation of research results, member of the Uppaal project team thesis: "Structure and Hierarchy in Real-Time Systems" (English)
March 12, 1998	Diplom-Informatiker, Universität Ulm, rated "sehr gut" (top marks) corresponds to a master in computer science
10/1992-3/1998	University of Ulm, student of Informatik (computer science major) minor: first chemistry, then mathematics (changed because of its exactness) main topics: artificial intelligence, automated theorem proving master thesis "Solving Bit-Vector Equations – A Decision Procedure for Hardware Verification" (English)

School/Service

8/1991-10/1992	Therapiezentrum Burgau, nursing hospital work (instead of serving in the Germany Army)
July 10, 1991	Abitur, Dossenberger Gymnasium Günzburg (Bavaria), rated 1.0 (top mark)

Personal Activities, Hobbies

outdoor: walking tours, hiking, and trekking

scout activities: co-organization of weekend programs, camps, and leader education courses

motor bike cruising

smaller programming projects (I'm part of the C64-generation), Java applets, scripts, micro-controller (e.g., the control unit of a theater light mixer)

film and film history, movie classics

writing of amateur story-books in a team of authors, topics generally satirical or humoristic; current long-term project is a criminal comedy