

# Philipp Singer

## Curriculum Vitæ

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<b>Country of Citizenship</b>	Austria
<b>Date of Birth</b>	1988/01/06
<b>Website</b>	www.philippsinger.com
<b>Portfolio</b>	kaggle.com/philippsinger, github.com/psinger
<b>Competence areas</b>	Data Science, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Statistics, Data Mining, Network Analysis, Information Retrieval, Data Engineering

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## Positions

<b>03/2018 until now</b>	Senior Data Scientist at Uniqa Insurance Group, Vienna, Austria
<b>05/2017 – 02/2018</b>	Data Scientist at Uniqa Insurance Group, Vienna, Austria
<b>02/2015 – 04/2017</b>	Post doctoral researcher at the Data Science group of GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Cologne, Germany
<b>09/2015 – 11/2015</b>	Visiting researcher at the Information Science Institute of University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, USA; Supervision: Kristina Lerman
<b>05/2014 – 02/2015</b>	Research assistant at the Data Science group of GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Cologne, Germany
<b>11/2013 – 01/2014</b>	Visiting researcher at GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Cologne, Germany; Supervision: Markus Strohmaier
<b>08/2013 – 10/2013</b>	Visiting researcher at the University of Würzburg, Germany; Supervision: Andreas Hotho
<b>11/2011 – 04/2014</b>	Research assistant at the Knowledge Technologies Institute at Graz University of Technology, Austria

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## Education

<b>11/2011 – 02/2015</b>	Ph.D. in Computer Science ( <b>with distinction</b> ) at Graz University of Technology, Austria; Dissertation: Modeling Aspects of Human Trails on the Web, Advisor: Prof. Markus Strohmaier
<b>3/2010 – 11/2011</b>	Diplom in Software Development and Business Management ( <b>with distinction</b> ) at Graz University of Technology, Austria; Master's Thesis: Time Series Analysis of Online Social Network Data and Content, Advisor: Prof. Markus Strohmaier
<b>10/2006 – 3/2010</b>	B.Sc. in Software Development and Business Management at Graz University of Technology, Austria; Advisor: Prof. Michael Granitzer

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## Competences & Personal Skills

<b>Competences</b>	<b>Machine Learning</b> (e.g., employment of several core machine learning algorithms such as boosted trees or deep learning), <b>Statistics</b> (e.g., hypotheses testing, Bayesian inference, frequentist statistics, regression analysis), <b>Data Engineering</b> (e.g., acquisition of large data, feature extraction, OCR text recognition), <b>Data Mining</b> (e.g., applying previously mentioned tools for identifying patterns in large data), <b>Network Analysis</b> (e.g., handling of large graphs, calculation of network properties), <b>Information Retrieval</b> (e.g., extracting semantics, recommender systems), <b>Scaled Computing</b> (e.g., multiprocessing, Hadoop, HDFS, Hive, Spark, BigQuery, Cloud computing), <b>Service Development</b> (e.g., deploying machine learning models, API services, Kubernetes, DevOps)
<b>Programming Skills</b>	<b>Python</b> ; further knowledge in R, HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, SQL, MongoDB, Flask, Solidity, Spark, BigQuery, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, etc.
<b>Project- and Team-leading</b>	Team lead, project lead, and coordination experience in enterprise and academic activities
<b>Native Language</b>	German
<b>Foreign Languages</b>	English (proficient user)

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## Awards & Honors

- Kaggle 1st place** LANL Earthquake Prediction competition  
<https://www.kaggle.com/c/LANL-Earthquake-Prediction>
- Kaggle 1st place** Quora Insincere Questions Classification competition  
<https://www.kaggle.com/c/quora-insincere-questions-classification>
- Best Paper Award  
CORE A\* conference** Philipp Singer, Denis Helic, Andreas Hotho and Markus Strohmaier; **HypTrails: A Bayesian Approach for Comparing Hypotheses About Human Trails on the Web**; 24th International World Wide Web Conference, Florence, Italy, 2015  
(CORE A\* conference, acceptance rate 131/929, 14.1% quota)
- Best Paper Award** Christoph Trattner, Philipp Singer, Denis Helic and Markus Strohmaier. **Exploring the Differences and Similarities of Hierarchical Decentralized Search and Human Navigation in Information Networks**. 12th International Conference on Knowledge Management and Knowledge Technologies, Graz, Austria, 2012

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## Selected Peer-reviewed Publications

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- 2018** Fariba Karimi, Mathieu Génois, Claudia Wagner, **Philipp Singer** and Markus Strohmaier. **Homophily influences ranking of minorities in social networks**. *Nature Scientific Reports*, vol 8, 2018.
- 2017** Martin Becker, Florian Lemmerich, **Philipp Singer**, Markus Strohmaier and Andreas Hotho. **MixedTrails: Bayesian Hypothesis Comparison on Heterogeneous Sequential Data**. *Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery*, 2017.
- 2017** **Philipp Singer\***, Florian Lemmerich\*, Robert West, Leila Zia, Ellery Wulczyn, Markus Strohmaier and Jure Leskovec. **Why We Read Wikipedia**. *26th International World Wide Web Conference*, Perth, Australia. (CORE A\* conference, acceptance rate 164/966, 17% quota)
- 2017** **Philipp Singer\***, Claudia Wagner\*, Fariba Karimi, Jürgen Pfeffer and Markus Strohmaier. **Sampling from social networks with attributes**. *26th International World Wide Web Conference*, Perth, Australia. (CORE A\* conference, acceptance rate 164/966, 17% quota)
- 2017** **Philipp Singer\***, Dimitar Dimitrov\*, Florian Lemmerich and Markus Strohmaier. **What Makes a Link Successful on Wikipedia?**. *26th International World Wide Web Conference*, Perth, Australia. (CORE A\* conference, acceptance rate 164/966, 17% quota)
- 2016** Florian Lemmerich, Martin Becker, **Philipp Singer**, Denis Helic, Andreas Hotho and Markus Strohmaier. **Mining Subgroups with Exceptional Transition Behavior**. *22nd ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, San Francisco, USA, 2016. (CORE A\* conference, full paper acceptance rate 70/784, 9% quota)
- 2015** **Philipp Singer**, Denis Helic, Andreas Hotho and Markus Strohmaier. **HypTrails: A Bayesian Approach for Comparing Hypotheses About Human Trails on the Web**. *24th International World Wide Web Conference*, Florence, Italy, 2015. (CORE A\* conference, acceptance rate 131/929, 14.1% quota) **best paper award**
- 2014** **Philipp Singer**, Denis Helic, Behnam Taraghi and Markus Strohmaier. **Detecting Memory and Structure in Human Navigation Patterns Using Markov Chain Models of Varying Order**. *PLoS ONE*, vol 9(7), 2014. (2014 Impact Factor 3.234)

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## Teaching Experience

- Winter 2016/17** Lecturer, Machine Learning and Data Mining at University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany
- Summer 2016** Guest Lecturer, Data Science at University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany
- Winter 2015/16** Lecturer, Machine Learning and Data Mining at University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany