# Fabian David Schmidt

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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Multilingual & Multimodal Representation Learning, Robust & Reproducible Cross-lingual Transfer, Few-Shot Learning

### EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science, University of Würzburg Advisors: Goran Glavaš (University of Würzburg), Ivan Vulić (University of Cambridge)	2021 - 2024
Mannheim Master of Data Science (with honors), University of Mannheim Grade: 1.4* (ECTS grade A; equivalent to UK First Class Honours)	2017 - 2020
<b>Bachelor of Finance</b> , <i>Frankfurt School of Finance &amp; Management</i> Grade: 1.4* (89%, top 10% of class)	2012 - 2016
Grade: 1.4* (ECTS grade A; equivalent to UK First Class Honours) Bachelor of Finance, Frankfurt School of Finance & Management	

\* On a scale of 1.0 to 5.0 with 1.0 being the best possible grade

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Fabian David Schmidt, Ivan Vulić, Goran Glavaš. One For All & All For One: Bypassing Hyperparameter Tuning with Model Averaging for Cross-Lingual Transfer, *Findings of EMNLP*, 2023
- [2] Fabian David Schmidt, Ivan Vulić, Goran Glavaš. Free Lunch: Robust Cross-Lingual Transfer via Model Checkpoint Averaging, Proceedings of ACL, 2023
- [3] Fabian David Schmidt, Ivan Vulić, Goran Glavaš. Don't Stop Fine-Tuning: On Training Regimes for Few-Shot Cross-Lingual Transfer with Multilingual Language Models, Proceedings of EMNLP, 2022
- [4] Fabian David Schmidt, Ivan Vulić, Goran Glavaš. SLICER: Sliced Fine-Tuning for Low-Resource Cross-Lingual Transfer for Named Entity Recognition, Proceedings of EMNLP, 2022
- [5] Fabian David Schmidt, Markus Dietsche, Simone Ponzetto, Goran Glavaš. SEAGLE: A Platform for Comparative Evaluation of Semantic Encoders for Information Retrieval, System Demonstrations of EMNLP, 2019

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Incoming Visiting Scholar**, University of Cambridge Cambridge (UK), May - June 2024 Research on multilingual representation learning (host: Ivan Vulić) Heidelberg (DE), Jan - May 2024 NLP Research Intern, NEC Laboratories Europe Pixel-based open-vocabulary autoregressive language modelling (hosts: Chia-Chien Hung & Carolin Lawrence) Machine Learning Engineer Intern, Friday Versicherung Berlin (DE), Jan - April 2019 Reverse-engineered pricing of car insurers with boosted decision trees regression on millions of driver profiles Data wrangling in pandas; time series regression with LightGBM, S3 integration with boto3 Private Equity Analyst Intern, Goldman Sachs Group London (UK), Sep 2016 - Feb 2017 Evaluated opportunities to invest in European mid- to large-sized consumer retail, fintech and industrials companies Attending management meetings, conducting expert interviews, and reviewing due diligence documents Dual Student, DZ BANK AG London (UK), Aug 2012 - Sep 2015

Integrated study program completing 6-8 weeks full-time rotations per Bachelor semester across several divisions of DZ BANK AG

#### **INVITED TALK**

University of Saarland, Sep 2023 Robust and Scalable Cross-Lingual Transfer

#### **SERVICE & ACTIVITIES**

Reviewing	ARR, ACL, EMNLP, MOOMIN @ EACL
Teaching Assistance	Multilingual NLP, Algorithms & Data Structures, Information Retrieval
Open Source	(co-)maintainer of popular Neovim plugins (e.g., telescope.nvim) with 100-10K Github stars

#### SKILLS

Programming	excellent proficiency in Python, Lua, Linux CLI, good familiarity with Rust, Bash, Git, HPC with Slurm
ML Frameworks	excellent proficiency in PyTorch(-Lightning), Huggingface transformers, Hydra, wandb
Languages	German (native) & English (native-level, TOEFL 113/120)