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SUMMARY I like all things computing: deep and abstract algorithms; small and efficient software close to the hardware, elegant and intuitive developer tooling, reliable and robust programs; I am pretty much into all of it. I strive for a deep understanding of computer systems and enjoy communicating ideas through technical writing.

EXPERIENCE Algorithm Engineer

October 2022 —

Vind Technologies, Oslo, Norway

Developed and implemented algorithms for screening and design of offshore wind parks.

Computer Graphics Researcher

ISTA, Austria

- Developed interactive design tools for computation fabrication in OpenGL and WebGPU.
- Implemented a high-performance physically based simulator for soft materials in C++.
- Worked extensively with 3D-printing, molding, and programmable embroidery, as well as programatically generated data for small-scale fabrication machines.

Scientific Intern Jan. 2018 — Mar. 2018

ISTA, Austria

- Worked on my master's thesis co-supervised by Dan Alistarh.
- Developed a Rust library for statically typed memory management specialized for highly concurrent programs, and implemented common concurrent data structures using the library.

Applications Developer Intern

Summer 2016

Nordic Semiconductor ASA, Trondheim, Norway

- Developed an electron.js based app for management of Bluetooth mesh networks.
- · Interfaced the application code and microcontroller using a bundled Python wrapper for interactive programming.

Applications Programmer Intern

Summer 2015

ARM Norway, Trondheim, Norway

- Developed and maintained internal tools for the Media Processing Group (MPG).
- · Migrated a Perl script to Python for easier maintainability of extraction of ISA-related data from Verilog and SystemVerilog files.
- Developed a JS based database explorer for electronic parts backed by MongoDB.

Projects Technical Blog

2014 —

https://mht.wtf/post/

Technical writing about computer science, programming, and related topics.

Highlights:

• "Efficient Simulation through Linear Algebra"

2022

• "A Neat Approximation Algorithm"

2021 202I

• "Expanding TEX's \newif"

• "Code Generation and Merge Sort"

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EDUCATION Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science

2018 — 2022 (not completed)

Institute of Science and Technology Austria, Klosterneuburg, Austria Topic: Computational Fabrication with applications in soft robotics.

Advisor: Bernd Bickel

Master of Science, Computer Science

2013 — 2018

Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway Specialization: Algorithms and HPC

Thesis title: "CMR: Concurrent Memory Reclamation"

Advisor: Magnus Lie Hetland

Exchange Student, Computer Science

Feb. 2017 — Aug. 2017

ETH Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland

Head of the guard by night, Private

Aug. 2012 — Jul 2013

Guard and Security, Norwegian Armed Forces, Rusta, Bardufoss, Norway Responsible for nightly guard routines for seven guard soldiers.

TEACHING Teaching Assistant

202I — 2022

ISTA, Austria

Course: "Applied Algorithms and Data Structures".

- Helped teach graduate level applied algorithms to 45 students.
- Evaluated weekly code submissions from the students.
- Worked on infrastructure of a self-hosted instance of Kattis.

Student Assistant 2014 — 2015

IDI, Norwegian University of Science and Technology

- TDT4120 Algorithms and Data Structures.
- TDT4102 Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming.

VOLUNTEERING Open Source

2013 —

I contribute back to open source projects that I use through bug reports and code contributions. I have code in projects including the Rust compiler, rayon, libigl, and the Zig compiler.

Developer Aug. 2014 — Jun. 2018

Abakus Web Comittee, NTNU

- · Member of the web comittee in Abakus, the student association for Computer Science and Communication Technology students.
- Development and maintenance of abakus.no, nyitrondheim.no, and internal projects.
- Guidance and supervision of new members of the group.

Developer

Aug. 2013 — Dec. 2016

Students Media in Trondheim, Trondheim

- Main developer of the Android app Barteguiden.
- Backend server programming in Node.js, and Linux technologies.
- Android app development in Java, and later migration to React Native.

Skills Programming Languages

I have written a non-trivial amount and am competent with C, C++, Julia, Common Lisp, Python, Rust, and Zig. I am familiar with, x86-64, Haskell, Java, and JavaScript.