

# Eduard Florin Hoge

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## Education

**West University of Timisoara**, Timisoara – *Big Data Master's Degree*  
September 2022 - June 2024

**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona**, Barcelona - *Erasmus exchange student*  
*Computer Vision/Artificial Intelligence Master's Degree*  
September 2022 - June 2023

**West University of Timisoara**, Timisoara - *Computer Scientist Bachelors*  
September 2019 - July 2022 **GPA** – 9,83/10  
**Bachelor Thesis** - *Hybrid Systems with Applications in Machine Learning*

**Johannes Kepler University**, Linz, Austria - *Erasmus exchange student*  
*Computer Science*  
September 2020 - February 2021

## Work Experience

**AI Software Developer** – *Continental Automotive*  
January 2024 – ongoing

Worked on an AI assisted system to detect **anomalies** and **haptic events** (under brake, pedal kicks) during braking system development. The application is cross platform and uses **LSTMs** for **time-series** for predictions and **SHAP** for the **XAI**(explainable AI) part.

**Junior Fellowship Researcher**– *AI4Media*  
March 2024 – May 2024 (predicted)

Extended the research for the **state of the art** in Exemplar-Free Class **Incremental Learning** at **CEA List** research institute in Paris, France. My work contributed in understanding the effects of **feature-space manipulation** for class incremental learning and handling **catastrophic forgetting** with **statistical methods** and optimization methods via guided feature replacements.  
*Paper for Trans on NN and Learning Systems* – **IF 10.4, IEEE.**

**ML Engineer** – *Forgenie (Freelance)*  
June 2023 – Dec 2023

Fine-tuned a **Large Language Model (GPT)** for generating **Solidity** smart contracts. Enriched the model's knowledge base with relevant documentation and smart contract examples. Implemented **Pinecone** for efficient knowledge **vectorization** and **querying**. Developed a system architecture for smart contract **generation** and **auditing**.

**Research Intern** - *West University of Timisoara*  
January 2022 – July 2022

**AI** and **XAI** project intern. Made a peer reviewed paper published in “**Applied Sciences- MDPI-**” about a neuro-symbolic **classifier**. It achieved impressive accuracy for cybersecurity attack types with the help of **Logic Tensor Networks** and **CNNs**.

**Most Important Research** – **IF 11.245**

- **Neuro-symbolic model for cantilever beams damage detection**  
Co-authored a paper in “**Computers in Industry-Elsevier-**”, introducing a novel “**Logical Convolutional Neural Regression**” model. This method merges **Logic Tensor Networks** with **1D Convolution** for **damage detection** in cantilever beams and is the result of my research during my Master's Degree.

## Programming Languages and Technologies

**Good:** Python, TensorFlow, Keras, LaTeX, git, Pandas, PyTorch

**Medium:** MATLAB, C, C++, Prolog, Jess, MySQL, C#, R

**Beginner:** JavaScript, Java, PL/SQL, Node.js, ReactJS, OpenGL, Unix, Spark

## GitHub project referenced

[Research intern project](#)  
[Cantilever damage detection](#)  
[Cyber-attacks classifier](#)  
[Robust Class-IL](#)  
[MLOps](#)  
[Image Recognition - demo](#)  
[Spotify Graphs](#)

## Journal/Conference

[SYNASC 2022](#)  
[Computers in Industry](#)

## Projects and notable experience

### Conferences and Seminars

- **SYNASC 2022**, September 2022 – **Rank C**  
Held a presentation at SYNASC 2022 conference about “**Advantages of a neuro-symbolic solution for monitoring IT infrastructures alerts**”. The presentation focused on the results from the research internship for an **IDS** and highlighted the benefits of combining **Symbolic AI** and **Deep Learning**. This concluded in a paper published by **IEEE**.

### Notable Projects

- **Optimized Feature Translation for Robust Class-IL**, ongoing  
Currently developing an innovative approach with the help of **AI4Media** and **CEA France** by combining a fixed feature extractor with a pseudo-features generator. Integrated an advanced optimization method involving iterative feature replacement strategy. Will be published in **Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems – IF 10.4, IEEE**.
- **MLOps for Document Classification**, October 2023 - January 2024  
Implemented a **Zero Shot Transformer** utilizing **HuggingFace** models for document classification tasks. Integrating additional linear classifiers like **Naive Bayes** and **SVC** to compare the model performance from a baseline. The works both locally and on the cloud, leveraging **AWS** services for scalable and efficient deployment. Full development process, with **CI/CD** can be found on my personal GitHub.
- **Spotify API Data Analysis and NetworkX**, October 2023  
Led a project utilizing the **Spotify API** for in-depth music data analysis. Implemented graph theory techniques using **NetworkX** to analyze correlations between popular genres and artists and their music.
- **Web based Image Recognition application**, March 2020  
Project done under the supervision of a lead engineer from **Nokia**. My contribution consisted of a **CNN** trained to **recognize traffic signs**, extracted with **OpenCV** from images and videos. In front-end development, **Django** was used. All the data was stored in a database to keep track of our algorithm's detection accuracy.
- Other projects referenced on **GitHub** [@eduardhogea](#)

## Awards

### Mathematics and Computer Science Student Scientific Communications Session

(Computer Science) mention (2022)

### 38<sup>th</sup> AI CCC competition

1<sup>st</sup> Timisoara/3<sup>rd</sup> Romania

### Languages

English (C1)

Romanian (Native)

German (A2)

Spanish (A2)

### Other GitHub references

[City Traffic Control - Software](#)

[Engineering](#)

[Meeting Room Booking System](#)

[- Virtuaroom](#)