

Sven Apel

Curriculum Vitae

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Coordinates

Position: Full Professor

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Citizenship: German
Town of birth: Osterburg, Germany

Year of birth: 1977
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Research Interests

My research focuses on methods, tools, and theories for the construction of manageable, reliable, efficient, configurable, and evolvable software systems. In particular, I am interested in:

- **Programming methods** (feature orientation, generative techniques, modularity)
- **Software engineering** (variability, evolution, feature interactions, domain-specific optimization)
- **Empirical methods** (program comprehension, organizational structures, neuro imaging)
- **Formal methods** (program algebra, type systems, program analysis)

Furthermore, I am interested in how human and organizational factors influence software projects and vice versa, giving rise to a notion of **socio-technical software engineering**. For evaluation, I apply my research results to real-world systems from different domains, in particular, **distributed, data-intensive, high-performance computing, and embedded systems**.

Education

Mar. 2003 – Mar. 2007 Doctoral degree in Computer Science (Doktor-Ingenieur),
University of Magdeburg, Germany,
Grade “**summa cum laude**” (with distinction)

Oct. 1996 – Jul. 2002 Diploma degree in Computer Science (Diplom-Informatiker),
University of Magdeburg, Germany, Grade “**A**” (excellent)

Academic Employment

since Apr. 2016 Full Professor, Chair of Software Engineering,
University of Passau, Germany

Oct. 2013 – Mar. 2016 Full Professor, Chair of Software Product Lines,
University of Passau, Germany

Nov. 2010 – Sep. 2013 Leader of the Emmy-Noether Research Group
“Safe and Efficient Software Product Lines”,
University of Passau, Germany

Jul. 2012 – Sep. 2012	Visiting Scholar, Hosts: Prof. Joanne Atlee and Prof. Krzysztof Czarnecki, University of Waterloo, Canada
Apr. 2007 – Oct. 2010	Akademischer Rat (Post-Doc), Host: Prof. Christian Lengauer, University of Passau, Germany
Jan. 2006 – Jul. 2006	Visiting Scholar, Host: Prof. Don Batory, University of Texas at Austin, USA
Mar. 2003 – Mar. 2007	Research Assistant, Host: Prof. Gunter Saake, University of Magdeburg, Germany
Oct. 2002 – Feb. 2003	Research Assistant, Metop Research Center, Magdeburg, Germany
Jul. 1998 – Jul. 2002	Research Student, Host: Prof. Wolfgang Schröder-Preikschat, University of Magdeburg, Germany

Awards and Honors

Dec. 2016	Hugo Junkers Award for Research and Innovation, awarded by the State of Saxony-Anhalt (Category 'Innovative Research Alliance')
Jun. 2015	Appointment to the Young Academy of Europe
May 2015	ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award , 37th International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)
Mar. 2015	Best Paper Award, 14th International Conference on Modularity
Jan. 2013	Heisenberg Professorship of the German Research Foundation
Aug. 2011	Best Research Paper Award, 15th International Software Product Line Conference (SPLC)
Sep. 2010	Emmy-Noether Fellowship of the German Research Foundation
Feb. 2008	Nomination for the Dissertation Award of the German Computer Society
Nov. 2007	Dissertation Award of the University of Magdeburg, endowed by the Karin-Witte Foundation (1 000 €)
Nov. 2007	Award of the School of Computer Science, University of Magdeburg for the best doctoral dissertation
Sep. 2007	Software-Engineering Award of the Ernst-Denert Foundation for the best doctoral dissertation (5 000 €)
Dec. 2006	Award of the School of Computer Science, University of Magdeburg for outstanding scientific work
Nov. 2005	Doctoral Scholarship of the Germany Academic Exchange Service, PKZ D/05/44809 (5 677 €)
Sep. 2004	Best Student Paper Award, 4th International Workshop on Software Engineering and Middleware

Research Grants

- Performance Evolution of Highly Configurable Software Systems (Pervolution), funded by **DFG** (AP 206/11-1): 2017–2020, **290 000 €** of **580 000 €**, with Norbert Siegmund
- Advanced Stencil-Code Engineering (ExaStencils), funded within **DFG Priority Program 1648** (AP 206/7-1&2): 2013–2018, **510 000 €** of **2 500 000 €**, with Christian Lengauer, Ulrich Rüde, Jürgen Teich, and Matthias Bolten
- Generation of Correct and Efficient Software based on Product-Line Technology (SafeSPL++), funded within **DFG Heisenberg Program** (AP 206/6-1&2): 2013– 2018, **660 000 €**
- Techniques and Prediction Models for Sustainable Product-Line Engineering (Pythia), funded within **DFG Priority Program 1593** (AP 206/5-1&2): 2012–2017, **700 000 €**

- Taming and Optimizing Feature Interaction in Software-intensive Automotive Systems (FeatureOpt), funded by **FFG**: 2015–2018, **100 000 €** of **500 000 €**, with Hermann Kaindl and Bosch Austria
- Software Intelligence, funded by **Siemens AG**: 2013–2016, **50 820 €**
- Safe and Efficient Software Product Lines (SafeSPL), funded within **DFG Emmy-Noether Program** (AP 206/4-1&2): 2010–2015, **1 300 000 €**
- Typing of MapReduce (MapReduceFoundation), funded by **DFG** (LE 912/13-1): 2011–2013, **160 000 €** (no share), with Christian Lengauer
- Algebra-Based Feature-Oriented Program Synthesis (FeatureFoundation), funded by **DFG** (AP 206/2-1&2): 2009–2013, **320 000 €** of **640 000 €**, with Christian Lengauer and Bernhard Möller

Software

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FeatureHouse
Language-Independent Feature Composition
http://fosd.net/fh/ • JDime
Structured Merge of Software Versions
http://fosd.net/JDime/ • SPLverifier
Variability-Aware Model Checking
http://fosd.net/FAV/ • FeatureVisu
Layout-Based Feature Clustering
http://fosd.net/FeatureVisu/ • FeatureIDE
Feature-Oriented Software Development
http://fosd.net/fide/ • CIDE
Virtual Separation of Concerns
http://fosd.net/cide/ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cppstats
Analyzing C Preprocessor Directives
http://fosd.net/cppstats/ • SPL Conqueror
Performance Prediction of Software Variants
http://fosd.net/SPLConqueror/ • TypeChef
Variability-Aware Static Analysis
http://fosd.net/TypeChef/ • Codeface
Project Analysis and Dashboard Framework
http://siemens.github.io/codeface/ • Fuji
Feature-Oriented Programming in Java
http://www.fosd.de/fuji/ |
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Professional Service

Faculty Committees

- Vice chair of the faculty's Ph. D. committee, since 2016
- Member of the recruiting commission "Software Engineering", 2016
- Chair of the recruiting commission "Theoretical Computer Science", 2014
- Member of the accreditation committee for Computer-Science studies, 2014
- Head of the Master program of Computer Science, 2013–2015
- Member of the faculty's studies committee, since 2013
- Member of the recruiting commission "Complex Systems Engineering", 2012–2013
- Member of the recruiting commission "Software Systems", 2008

Steering Committees

- Joint Meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE), since 2017
- IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE), since 2016
- Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC), 2011–2013
- Int'l Workshop on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD), since 2009

- Int'l Workshop on Formal Methods and Analysis in Software Product Line Engineering (FMSPLE), since 2012

Organization Committees

- 12th Joint Meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE'19), Program-Committee Chair
- 41th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'19), Workshop Chair
- 40th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'18), Program Chair of New Ideas and Emerging Results Track
- 31th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'16), Program-Committee Chair
- 30th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'15), Doctoral-Symposium Chair
- 10th Joint Meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE'15), Workshop Chair
- Dagstuhl Seminar on Feature Interactions: The Next Generation, 2014
- 16th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'12), Workshop Chair
- 11th ACM Int'l Conference on Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD'12), Workshop Chair
- 3rd Int'l Workshop on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD'11)
- 10th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'11), Program-Committee Chair
- Dagstuhl Seminar on Feature-Oriented Software Development, 2011
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD'10)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Formal Methods in Software Product Line Engineering (FMSPLE'10)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD'09)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Modularization, Composition, and Generative Techniques for Product-Line Engineering (McGPLE'08)
- Dagstuhl Seminar on Software Engineering for Tailor-made Data Management, 2008
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Software Engineering for Tailor-made Data Management (SETDM'08)
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Aspect-Oriented Product-Line Engineering (AOPLE'07)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Tailor-made Data Management (TDM'07)

Editorships

- IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering, Member of Editorial Board, since 2017
- Empirical Software Engineering, Member of Editorial Board, since 2015
- IEEE Software, Member of Editorial Board, since 2015
- Science of Computer Programming, Guest Editor, Special Issue on FOSD, 2009

Program Committees

- 12th Joint Meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE'19)
- 26th ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (FSE'18)
- 32nd IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'17), Expert Review Panel
- 39th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'17), Program Board
- 31st IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'16)

- 30th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP'16), External Review Committee
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Performance Modeling: Methods and Applications (PMMA'16)
- 38th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'16)
- 30th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'15), Expert Review Panel
- 31st IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME'15)
- 19th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'15)
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Software Product Line Teaching (SPLTea'15)
- 6th Int'l Workshop on Formal Methods in Software Product Line Engineering (FMSPLE'15)
- 37th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'15)
- 9th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'15)
- 29th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'14), Expert Review Panel
- 18th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'14)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Software Product Line Teaching (SPLTea'14)
- 28th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP'14)
- 36th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'14)
- 13th International Conference on Modularity (MODULARITY'14)
- 13th Int'l Workshop on Foundations of Aspect-Oriented Languages (FOAL'14)
- 8th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'14)
- 28th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'13), Expert Review Panel
- 12th ACM Int'l Conference on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE'13)
- 17th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'13)
- 9th Joint Meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE'13)
- 12th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'13)
- 13th Int'l Conference on Software Reuse (ICSR'13)
- IFIP Joint International Conference on Formal Techniques for Distributed Systems (33rd FORTE / 15th FMOODS)
- 12th ACM Int'l Conference on Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD'13)
- 12th Int'l Workshop on Foundations of Aspect-Oriented Languages (FOAL'13)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Reverse Variability Engineering (REVE'13)
- 7th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'13)
- 4th Int'l Workshop on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD'12)
- 4th Int'l Workshop on Non-functional System Properties in Domain Specific Modeling Languages (NFPinDSML'12)
- 1st German Workshop on the Development of Energy-Aware Software (EEBS'12)
- 16th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'12)
- 34th ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'12), Demonstrations and Posters Track
- 11th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'12)
- 11th ACM Int'l Conference on Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD'12)
- 11th Int'l Workshop on Foundations of Aspect-Oriented Languages (FOAL'12)
- 3rd Int'l Workshop on Empirical Evaluation of Software Composition Techniques (ESCOT'12)
- 6th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'12)
- 26th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'11), Expert Review Panel

- 1st Workshop on Software Language Engineering for Cyber-physical Systems (WS4C'11)
- 15th Int'l Software Product Line Conference (SPLC'11)
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Formal Methods in Software Product Line Engineering (FMSPLE'11)
- 3rd Int'l Workshop on Model-driven Approaches in Software Product Line Engineering (MAPLE'11)
- 25th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP'11)
- 4th Summer School on Generative and Transformational Techniques in Software Engineering (GTTSE'11)
- 10th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'11)
- 10th ACM Int'l Conference on Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD'11)
- 5th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'11)
- 25th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'10)
- 9th ACM Int'l Conference on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE'10)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Variability in Software Product Line Architectures (VARI-ARCH'10)
- 2nd Model-Driven Product Line Engineering Workshop (MDPLE'10)
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on Context-Oriented Programming (COP'10)
- 7th Int'l Workshop on Reflection, AOP and Meta-Data for Software Evolution (RAM-SE'10)
- 5th IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering Advances (ICSEA'10)
- 9th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'10)
- 9th Int'l Workshop on Foundations of Aspect-Oriented Languages (FOAL'10)
- 4th Int'l Workshop on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems (VAMOS'10)
- 24th IEEE/ACM Int'l Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'09)
- 8th ACM Int'l Conference on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE'09)
- 1st Int'l Workshop on Context-Aware Software Technology and Applications (CASTA'09)
- 4th IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering Advances (ICSEA'09)
- 8th Int'l Conference on Software Composition (SC'09)
- 2nd Int'l Workshop on the Assessment of Contemporary Modularization Techniques (ACoM'08)
- 3rd IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering Advances (ICSEA'08)
- 2nd IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering Advances (ICSEA'07)
- 1st IEEE Int'l Conference on Software Engineering Advances (ICSEA'06)

Reviewing

- German Research Foundation (DFG)
- Austrian Academy of Sciences
- The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
- Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR)
- Israel Science Foundation (ISF)
- IEEE Software
- ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology (TOSEM)
- IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)
- Empirical Software Engineering (EMSE)
- Journal on Systems and Software (JSS)
- Journal on Software and System Modeling (SoSyM)
- Journal on Software: Practice and Experience (SPE)
- International Journal on Software Tools for Technology Transfer (STTT)
- Science of Computer Programming (SCP)
- Computer Networks

- Journal on Information and Software Technology (IST)
- Journal of Object Technology (JOT)
- Journal of Logical and Algebraic Methods in Programming (JLAMP)

Invited Talks and Lectures

- The New Feature Interaction Challenge, **Keynote** at the International Workshop on Variability Modelling of Software-intensive Systems, Eindhoven, The Netherlands, 02/2017
- From Crosscutting Concerns to Feature Interactions: A Tale of Misunderstandings and Enlightenments, **Keynote** at the International Conference on Modularity, Malaga, Spain, 03/2016
- Analyzing Configurable Software, TU Munich, 05/2015
- Analyzing Configurable Software, Robert Bosch GmbH, 01/2015
- Conquering the Combinatorial Explosion: Analyzing Configurable Software, Polytechnic University of Milan, Milan, Italy, 12/2014
- Conquering the Combinatorial Explosion: Analyzing Configurable Software, National Research Council (CNR), Pisa, Italy, 12/2014
- Conquering the Combinatorial Explosion: Analyzing Variable Software, **Keynote** at the Brazilian Symposium on Software Components, Architectures and Reuse, Maceió, Brazil, 09/2014
- Techniques and Prediction Models for Sustainable Product-Line Engineering, Federal University of Alagoas, Brazil, 09/2014
- Techniques and Prediction Models for Sustainable Product-Line Engineering, Federal University of Pernambuco, Brazil, 09/2014
- Product-Line Analysis, Fraunhofer IESE, 06/2013
- Language-Independent and Automated Software Composition: The FeatureHouse Experience, **Keynote** at the International Conference on Software Composition, Budapest, 06/2013
- Maßfertigung, Automatisierung und Evolution in der Softwareentwicklung: Ein Featureorientierter Ansatz, **Keynote** at the Inauguration of the Christian Doppler Lab, Universität Linz, 03/2013
- Maßfertigung und Automatisierung in der Softwareentwicklung, Universität Ulm, 11/2012
- An Introduction to Variability-Aware Analysis, Tech talk at GPCE'12 (mit Christian Kästner), 09/2012
- Feature-Oriented Software Development, University of Waterloo, Canada, 07/2012
- Feature-orientierte und generative Softwareproduktlinien, Universität Magdeburg, 07/2012
- Produktlinien für eine offene und mobile Welt, Universität Bamberg, 06/2012
- Feature-Oriented Software Product Lines, Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien, 12/2011
- Feature-orientierte Softwareentwicklung—Ein Überblick, Universität Paderborn, 11/2011
- Feature-orientierte Softwareentwicklung—Ein Überblick, Philipps-Universität Marburg, 11/2011
- Sichere und effiziente Softwareproduktlinien, Jahrestreffen des Beirates der Universitätsprofessoren in der GI, 04/2011
- Feature-orientierte Softwareentwicklung—Ein Überblick, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, 01/2011
- Maßgeschneiderte und verlässliche Software für eingebettete Systeme, Technische Universität Kaiserslautern, 12/2010
- Automatisierung und Sicherheit in der Softwareentwicklung, Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften, 02/2010
- Safe Generation in Feature-Oriented Software Development, Universität Linz, 11/2009
- Feature-Oriented Software Architecture, TU München, 11/2009
- Aktuelle Entwicklungen im Bereich Feature-orientierter Softwareentwicklung, Universität Bern, 11/2008

- Aktuelle Entwicklungen im Bereich Feature-orientierter Softwareentwicklung, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, 10/2008
- An Algebra for Features and Feature Composition, University of Texas at Austin, USA, 07/2008
- The Role of Features and Aspects in Software Development, Lancaster University, UK, 02/2007
- Aspectual Feature Modules, Oxford University, UK, 02/2007
- Aspectual Mixin Layers, Hasso-Plattner-Institut Potsdam, 12/2006
- Die Rolle von Features und Aspekten in der Softwareentwicklung, Universität Passau, 11/2006
- Features and Aspects in Concert, Invited lecture at the University of Texas at Austin, USA, 03/2006
- On the Symbiosis of Features and Aspects, Universität Darmstadt, 12/2005

Advising

Ph.D. students (current)

- Florian Sattler, since 2017
- Christian Kaltenecker, since 2016
- Thomas Bock, since 2016
- Georg Seibt, since 2016
- Gustavo Do Vale, since 2016
- Andreas Stahlbauer, since 2015
- Alexander Grebhahn, since 2013
- Claus Hunsen, since 2012
- Olaf Leßenich, since 2012
- Sergiy Kolesnikov, since 2011

Ph.D. students (past)

- Dr. Mitchell Joblin, defended in 2017
- Dr. Alexander von Rhein, defended in 2016
Dissertation Award of the University of Passau
- Dr. Jörg Liebig, defended in 2015
Software-Engineering Award of the Ernst-Denert Foundation

Doctoral committees

- Dr. Andreas Vogelsang, defended in 2015 (supervised by Prof. Manfred Broy)
- Dr. Bo Zhang, defended in 2015 (supervised by Prof. Dieter Rombach)
- Dr. Reinhard Tartler, defended in 2013 (supervised by Prof. Wolfgang Schröder-Preikschat)

Master theses

- A Variability-Aware Region Analyzer in LLVM, Florian Sattler, 2017
- Assessing the Scope of Safety Properties, Peter Dahlberg, 2017
- GitCop: A Machine Learning Based Approach to Predicting Merge Conflicts from Repository Metadata, Thomas Ziegler, 2017
- Comparison of Analytical and Empirical Performance Models: A Case Study on Multigrid Systems, Christian Kaltenecker, 2016
- Applying Flexible Tree Matching to Abstract Syntax Trees, Georg Seibt, 2016
- Generating Realistic Attributed Variability Models, Thomas Leutheusser, 2016
- Synchronous Development in Open-Source Systems: File-based, Feature-based, and Function-based, Thomas Bock, 2016
- Feature-Aware Collaboration Tracking with Codeface, Matthias Dittrich, 2015
- On the Relation of Type Errors and Static Attributes of Feature-Oriented Product Lines, Judith Roth, 2014

- Visualization and Analysis of Product-Line Evolution in Codeface, Simon Niechzial, 2014
- Variability-aware Data-flow Analysis for Smartphone Applications, Daniel Hausknecht, 2013
- Experiments on Type Checking of Software Product Lines, Claus Hunsen, 2013
- Typprüfung von Produktlinien in Fuji, Peter Lutz, 2013
- Ein graphbasierter Formalismus zur Programmmanipulation, Bernhard Stadler, 2012
- Adjustable Syntactic Merge of Java Programs, Olaf Leßenich, 2012
- Feature-orientierte Entwicklung von Programmiersprachwerkzeugen: Eine Fallstudie, Rolf Daniel, 2011
- A Case Study on Feature-Aware Verification, Stefan Boxleitner, 2011
- Ein empirischer Vergleich von semistrukturierter und unstrukturierter Konfliktbehandlung in Versionsverwaltungssystemen, Benjamin Brandl, 2011
- An Extensible Compiler for Feature-Oriented Programming in Java, Sergiy Kolesnikov, 2011
- A Specification Language for Observer Automata in Feature-Oriented Verification, Hendrik Speidel, 2011

Bachelor theses

- Communication of Core and Peripheral Developers in OSS Projects: An Exploratory Study, Sofie Kemper, 2017
- Activity of Core and Peripheral Developers: A Case Study on Mozilla Firefox, Ferdinand Frank, 2017
- Erweiterung eines Software-Testansatzes durch soziale Aspekte, Kevin Glöckl, 2017
- Visualisierung von Git-Repositories, Verena Bader, 2016
- Visualizing General Morphological Analysis via Multidimensional Scaling, Julius Kempf, 2015.
- Generating Realistic Non-functional Property Attributes for Feature Models, Philipp Eichhammer, 2014
- Implementierung und Evaluierung Konfigurierbarer Mehrgitterlöser für Multiprozessorsysteme, Christian Kaltenecker, 2014
- Unerlaubte Weitergabe von privaten Daten zwischen Android-Apps: Analyse eines Szenarios, Felix Steghofer, 2014.
- Evaluierung experimenteller Designs zur Bestimmung des nichtfunktionalen Einflusses metrischer Konfigurationsoptionen, Martin Bochenek, 2014
- Entwurf und Implementierung einer optimalen Benutzeroberfläche zur Darstellung komplexer Produktkonfigurationen mit Schwerpunkt auf der Anzeige und Auswahl von alternativen Konfigurationsschritten, Patrick Kuglmeier, 2013
- Optimierung von BDD-basierten Model-Checking durch effiziente Variablenordnung, Andreas Buchecker, 2012
- Empirische Untersuchung des Zusammenhangs zwischen Fehlerhäufigkeit und ausgewählten Softwaremaßen, Stefan John, 2012
- Next-Generation Feature Models with Pseudo-Boolean SAT Solvers, Sebastian Henneberg, 2011
- Klassifikation von Methoden zur Qualitätsbeurteilung in der Softwareproduktlinienentwicklung, Semah Senkaya, 2011
- Feature-Orientierte Analyse von Service-orientierten Architekturen, Rolf Daniel, 2009
- Komposition von Features durch Quantifizierung, Stefan Boxleitner, 2008
- Feature-orientierte Programmierung mit Superimposition in C#, Alexander von Rhein, 2008

Diploma theses

- Empirical Comparison of FOSD Approaches Regarding Program Comprehension – A Feasibility Study, Janet Feigenspan, 2009
- Thread Parallelism by Concurrent Mixin Layers, Heiko Studt, 2009
- Alternative Features in Colored Featherweight Java, Malte Rosental, 2009
- A Description Language for Feature-Oriented Software Development, Sebastian Scharinger, 2009

- Feature-Oriented Composition of XML Artifacts, Jens Dörre, 2009
- Aspect-Oriented Refactoring of Berkeley DB, Christian Kästner, 2007
(**Software-Engineering Award of the Ernst-Denert Foundation**)
- Moderne Modularisierungstechniken und ihre Bedeutung für qualitativ hochwertige Software, Martin Kuhlemann, 2006
- Werkzeugunterstützung für die Merkmalorientierte Softwareentwicklung, Laura Marnitz, 2005
- Modulare Mechanismen zur Lastbalancierung in Peer-to-Peer Systemen, Karl-Heinz Deutinger, 2005
- Merkmalsorientierte Programmierung in C++, Marko Rosenmüller, 2005
- Middleware-Architektur für mobile Informationssysteme, Helge Sichtung, 2004

Teaching

Lecture Courses

- Software Product Line Engineering, since 2011
- Types and Programming Languages, since 2008
- Software Engineering, 2010–2012
- Modern Programming Paradigms, 2007–2010
- Computer Science for Non-Computer Scientists, 2008–2009

Exercise Classes

- Types and Programming Languages, 2008
- Modern Programming Paradigms, 2007
- Algorithms and Data Structures, 2007

Seminars

- Software Evolution, 2014
- Modern Analysis Techniques of Product Lines, 2012
- Software Engineering for Exascale Computing, 2012–2013
- Software Product Line Engineering, 2009–2011
- Modern Programming Paradigms, 2008
- Database Implementation Techniques, 2004

Working Groups

- Feature-Oriented Software Development, since 2009

Lab Exercises

- Feature-Oriented Decomposition of Haskell Programs, 2008
- Feature-Oriented Decomposition of Bali Grammars, 2007
- Aspect-Oriented and Feature-Oriented Refactoring, 2006
- Tailoring Data Structures, 2006
- Tool Support for Feature-Oriented Programming, 2005
- Aspect Orientation in Peer-to-Peer Systems, 2004
- Cooperative Work, 2004

Miscellaneous

- Students' Computer Science Summer Camp, University of Passau, 2007

Memberships

- Young Academy of Europe, since 2015
- German Informatics Society (GI), since 2013
- Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), since 2011
- IFIP Working Group 2.11 (Program Generation), 2009–2015

Publications

total: 191 h-index: 47 i10-index: 128¹

Key publications are highlighted with ✨. Awarded publications are highlighted with ⭐.

Electronic versions of all publications are available on the Web:

<http://www.infosun.fim.uni-passau.de/spl/apel/>.

Dissertation

- ✨ 1. Sven Apel. *The Role of Features and Aspects in Software Development*. PhD thesis, School of Computer Science, University of Magdeburg, March 2007. **Software-Engineering Award of the Ernst-Denert Foundation.**

Books

- ☆ 1. Sven Apel, Don Batory, Christian Kästner, and Gunter Saake. *Feature-Oriented Software Product Lines: Concepts and Implementation*. Springer-Verlag, October 2013. 315 pages, ISBN 978-3-642-37520-0.
- ☆ 2. Sven Apel. *The Role of Features and Aspects in Software Development: Similarities, Differences, and Synergetic Potential*. VDM Verlag Dr. Müller, December 2007. 172 pages, ISBN 978-3836433440.

Refereed Journal Articles

- ☆ 1. Claire Le Goues, Yuriy Brun, Sven Apel, Emery Berger, Sarfrad Khurshid, and Yannis Smaragdakis. Effectiveness of Anonymization in Double-Blind Review. *Communications of the ACM*, 2017. To appear.
- 2. Olaf Leßenich, Janet Siegmund, Sven Apel, Christian Kästner, and Claus Hunsen. Indicators for Merge Conflicts in the Wild: Survey and Empirical Study. *Automated Software Engineering*, 2017. To appear.
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