Practical Course Information Systems
Fachpraktikum Datenbanken

Data-intensive Computing
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Description
This practical course mainly focuses on data-intensive applications and how they process, analyze and store their data. Nowadays, the amount of data in applications is growing intensely. This data can be either structured, e.g., stored in relational database systems such as MySQL, or unstructured, e.g., stored in text documents, pictures or other media files. Deriving information and, as a consequence, knowledge from this data is a huge challenge. To cope with this issue, new data analytics and data storage technologies have been developed that focus on the one hand on deriving information from this large amount of structured and unstructured data (e.g., data mining, natural language processing, ...) and on the other hand on efficient data storage (e.g., NoSQL databases, column-stores, ...). Modern web technologies are used to provide the web frontend and to visualize huge data sets and analytic results. Furthermore, to enable fast, efficient application development as well as a high degree of accessibility, flexibility and scalability, cloud computing platforms are oftentimes used to implement such applications.

In this practical course, you will work in small teams. Each team will implement a new or extend an existing data-intensive application based on tasks that typically involve data analysis, data visualization, data storage and efficient data processing. The used infrastructure, e.g. a cloud-based infrastructure, depends on the application.

First Meeting
The first meeting will be at the beginning of the winter term. Registered participants will be informed by email.

Remarks
This course is primarily offered for students of the Master Computer Science (STE), Master Informatik, Softwaretechnik and Autonome Systeme. Students from other programs may participate if there are not enough participants from the above mentioned study programs. Participants will work in small teams of typically three students.

Prerequisites
Basic knowledge on database systems and information systems, e.g. from lecture "Modellierung", is mandatory, same as experience in programming and system development.