

# Dr. Pavlos Fafalios

## Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- October 2012 – May 2016 (PhD) | Ph.D., Computer Science Department, University of Crete, Greece  
Thesis title: *“Exploiting Linked Data in Exploratory Search”*  
Thesis supervisor: Assistant Professor Yannis Tzitzikas
- February 2010 – July 2012 (MSc) | M.Sc. in Information Systems and E-commerce Technologies, Computer Science Department, University of Crete, Greece  
Thesis title: *“Indexes and Algorithms for Scalable and Flexible Instant Overview Search”*  
Thesis supervisor: Assistant Professor Yannis Tzitzikas  
Average grade of graduate courses (of both MSc and PhD): 8.72/10.0
- September 2003 – June 2009 (Dipl. Eng.) | Engineer's degree in Information and Communication Systems Engineering, School of Engineering, University of the Aegean, Greece  
Thesis title: *“Meta-Seeker: a Retroactive Algorithm for Personalized Information from Multiple Web Search Services”*  
Thesis supervisor: Assistant Professor Ioannis Anagnostopoulos  
Degree grade: 7.8/10.0

## Training Schools

- July 20-24, 2015 | 1<sup>st</sup> KEYSTONE (Semantic Keyword-based Search on Structured Data Sources) training school on “Keyword Search over Big Data”, Malta
- July 21-25, 2014 | 3<sup>rd</sup> MUMIA (Multilingual and Multifaceted Interactive Information Access) training school on “Information Retrieval and Interactive Information Access”, Heraklion, Crete, Greece
- Sept. 24-28, 2012 | 1<sup>st</sup> MUMIA (Multilingual and Multifaceted Interactive Information Access) training school on “Building Next Generation Search Systems”, Olympiada, Chalkidiki, Greece
- June 28 - July 2, 2010 | 2<sup>nd</sup> summer school on “Service and Software Architectures, Infrastructures and Engineering”, Heraklion, Crete, Greece

## WORK EXPERIENCE

June 2016 – Now	<i>Postdoctoral researcher</i> L3S Research Center, Leibniz University of Hanover, Germany
Dec. 2010 – May 2016	<i>Research assistant, software engineer, graduate fellow</i> Information Systems Laboratory (ISL), Institute of Computer Science, Foundation for Research & Technology (FORTH), Heraklion, Greece

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

February 2010 – May 2016	Teaching Assistant, Computer Science Department, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece. <u>Duties:</u> lecturing, supervising, student counseling, preparing exercises and projects, marking <u>Courses:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Programming (CS-150)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Spring semester 2009-2010</li></ul></li><li>• Object-Oriented Programming (CS-252)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Winter semesters 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016</li></ul></li><li>• Information System Analysis and Design (CS-351)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Winter semesters 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013</li></ul></li><li>• Web Programming (CS-359)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Spring semesters 2010-2011, 2012-2013</li></ul></li><li>• Information Retrieval Systems (CS-463)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Spring semesters 2014-2015, 2015-2016</li></ul></li><li>• Web Data Management (CS-561)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Spring semester 2013-2014</li></ul></li></ul>
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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Information Indexing and Retrieval
- Web Search
- Exploratory Search
- Semantic Search
- Semantic Data Management
- World Wide Web and Semantic Web
- Linked Data
- Data Mining
- Data Integration
- Knowledge Representation

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal publications (peer-reviewed)

1. M. Mountantonakis, N. Minadakis, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios**, Y. Tzitzikas, *“Quantifying the Connectivity of a Semantic Warehouse and Understanding its Evolution over Time”*, International Journal on Semantic Web and Information Systems (IJSWIS), Vol. 12, Issue 03 (2016), IGI Global (ISSN: 1552-6283).
2. Y. Tzitzikas, C. Allocca, C. Bekiari, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios**, M. Doerr, N. Minadakis, T. Patkos, L. Candella, *“Unifying Heterogeneous and Distributed Information about Marine Species through the Top Level Ontology MarineTLO”*, Program: Electronic library and Information Systems, Special Issue on Application of Metadata and Semantics in Science, Vol. 50, No. 1 (2016), Emerald (ISSN: 0033-0337).

3. **P. Fafalios**, M. Baritakis and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Exploiting Linked Data for Open and Configurable Named Entity Extraction*”, International Journal on Artificial Intelligence Tools, Vol. 24, No. 02 (2015), World Scientific (ISSN: 1793-6349)
4. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Type-ahead Exploratory Search through Typo and Word Order Tolerant Autocompletion*”, Journal of Web Engineering, Vol. 14, No. 1 & 2 (2015), Rinton Press (ISSN: 1540-9589)
5. **P. Fafalios**, P. Papadakos and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Enriching Textual Search Results at Query Time using Entity Mining, Linked Data and Link Analysis*”, International Journal of Semantic Computing, Vol. 08, No. 04 (2014), World Scientific (ISSN: 1793-7108)
6. **P. Fafalios** and P. Papadakos, “*Theophrastus: On Demand and Real-Time Automatic Annotation and Exploration of (Web) Documents using Open Linked Data*”, Web Semantics: Science, Services and Agents on the World Wide Web, Vol. 29 (2014), Elsevier (ISSN: 1570-8268).

### Conference publications (peer-reviewed)

1. **P. Fafalios**, T. Yannakis and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Querying the Web of Data with SPARQL-LD*”, 20th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries (TPDL'16), Hannover, Germany, September 5-9, 2016.
2. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Entity-based Stochastic Analysis of Search Results for Query Expansion and Results Re-Ranking*”, Text Retrieval Conference (TREC'15), Gaithersburg, Maryland, USA, November 2015.
3. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*SPARQL-LD: A SPARQL Extension for Fetching and Querying Linked Data*”, Demo paper, 14<sup>th</sup> International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC'15), Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA, October 2015.
4. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Post-Analysis of Keyword-based Search Results using Entity Mining, Linked Data and Link Analysis at Query Time*”, 8<sup>th</sup> IEEE International Conference on Semantic Computing (ICSC'14), Newport Beach, California, USA, June 2014.
5. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Configuring Named Entity Extraction through Real-Time Exploitation of Linked Data*”, 4th International Conference on Web Intelligence, Mining and Semantic (WIMS'14), Thessaloniki, Greece, June 2014.
6. Y. Tzitzikas, N. Minadakis, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios**, C. Allocca, N. Mountantonakis and I. Zidianaki, “*MatWare: Constructing and Exploiting Domain Specific Warehouses by Aggregating Semantic Data*”, 11th Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC'14), Anissaras, Heraklion, Greece, May 2014.
7. Y. Tzitzikas, C. Allocca, C. Bekiari, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios**, M. Doerr, N. Minadakis, T. Patkos and L. Candela, “*Integrating Heterogeneous and Distributed Information about Marine Species through a Top Level Ontology*”, 7th Metadata and Semantic Research Conference (MTSR'13), Thessaloniki, Greece, November 2013.
8. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*X-ENS: Semantic Enrichment of Web Search Results at Real-Time*”, Demo paper, 36th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR'13), Dublin, Ireland, 27 July - 1 August 2013.
9. **P. Fafalios**, I. Kitsos, Y. Marketakis, C. Baldassarre, M. Salampasis and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Web Searching with Entity Mining at Query Time*”, 5th Information Retrieval Facility Conference (IRFC'12), Vienna, Austria, July 2012.
10. **P. Fafalios**, I. Kitsos and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Scalable, Flexible and Generic Instant Overview Search*”, Demo paper, 21st International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW'12), Lyon, France, April 2012.
11. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Exploiting Available Memory and Disk for Scalable Instant Overview Search*”, 12th International Conference on Web Information System Engineering (WISE'11), Sydney, Australia, October 2011.

### Workshop publications (peer-reviewed)

1. M. Mountantonakis, C. Allocca, **P. Fafalios**, N. Minadakis, Y. Marketakis, C. Lantzaki and Y. Tzitzikas, “*Extending VOID for Expressing the Connectivity Metrics of a Semantic Warehouse*”, 1<sup>st</sup> International Workshop on Dataset

Profiling & Federated Search for Linked Data (PROFILES'14), in conjunction with the 11th Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC'14), Anissaras, Heraklion, Greece, May 2014.

2. Y. Tzitzikas, N. Minadakis, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios**, C. Allocca and N. Mountantonakis, "Quantifying the Connectivity of a Semantic Warehouse", 4th International Workshop on Linked Web Data Management (LWDM'14), in conjunction with the 17th International Conference on Extending Database Technology (EDBT'14), Athens, Greece, March 2014.
3. **P. Fafalios**, M. Salampasis and Y. Tzitzikas, "Exploratory Patent Search with Faceted Search and Configurable Entity Mining", 1st International Workshop on Integrating IR technologies for Professional Search, in conjunction with the 35th European Conference on Information Retrieval (ECIR'13), Moscow, Russia, March 2013.

### Book chapters (peer-reviewed)

1. **P. Fafalios** and Y. Tzitzikas, "Exploratory Professional Search through Semantic Post-Analysis of Search Results", Professional Search in the Modern World, Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS), Vol. 8830, Springer, 2014.

### Publications in national conferences (peer-reviewed)

1. **P. Fafalios**, I. Kitsos and Y. Tzitzikas, "Κλιμακώσιμη και Ευέλικτη Υποστήριξη Στιγμιαίας Επισκοπικής Αναζήτησης" (Scalable, Flexible and Generic Instant Overview Search), Demo paper, 11th Hellenic Data Management Symposium (HDMS'12), Chania, Greece, June 2012.

### Publications in magazines

1. Y. Tzitzikas, C. Allocca, C. Bekiari, Y. Marketakis, **P. Fafalios** and N. Minadakis, "Ontology-based Integration of Heterogeneous and Distributed Information of the Marine Domain", ERCIM News 2014 (96), Special theme: Linked Open Data, January 2014.

## PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Program Committee member in the following conferences:

- 15th International Conference on Web-based Learning (ICWL 2016)
- 18th International Conference on Asia-Pacific Digital Libraries (ICADL 2016)

Proceedings Chair in the following conference:

- 15th International Conference on Web-based Learning (ICWL 2016)

## REVIEWER IN JOURNALS AND CONFERENCES

Journals:

- Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology (2016)
- Knowledge and Information Systems - Springer (2016)
- IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (2016)
- Information Processing & Management - Elsevier (2016)
- Multimedia Tools and Applications - Springer (2014)

Conferences:

- 24th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2015)
- 25th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2016)
- 37th European Conference on Information Retrieval (ECIR 2015)
- 38th European Conference on Information Retrieval (ECIR 2016)
- 39th European Conference on Information Retrieval (ECIR 2017)
- 18th International Conference on Asia-Pacific Digital Libraries (ICADL 2016)
- 15th International Conference on Web-based Learning (ICWL 2016)
- 19th International Conference on Theory and Practice of Digital Libraries (TPDL 2015)
- 15th International Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering (WISE 2014)

## PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS AND ACTIONS

Alexandria (2016 – Now)	ALEXANDRIA project (FP7-IDEAS-ERC, No. 339233) – <i>“Foundations for Temporal Retrieval, Exploration and Analytics in Web Archives”</i> . <u>Role:</u> Research in methods for the semantic and entity-based exploration of Web Archives.
BlueBRIDGE (2015 – 2016)	BlueBRIDGE project (H2020-EINFRA-2015-1, No. 675680) – <i>“Building Research environments for fostering Innovation, Decision making, Governance and Education to support Blue growth”</i> . <u>Role:</u> I extended the system X-Search for enabling the stochastic re-ranking of search results based on extracted entities. Moreover, I participated in the study of methods for quantifying the connectivity and evolution of a semantic warehouse.
iMarine (2012 – 2014)	iMarine project (FP7-INFRASTRUCTURES, No. 283644) – <i>“Data e-Infrastructure Initiative for Fisheries Management and Conservation of Marine Living Resources”</i> . <u>Role:</u> I designed and developed the system X-Search for the semantic exploration of search results, as well as the system X-Link for the extraction of entities and their further enrichment by exploiting Linked Data. Moreover, I participated in the development of the top-level ontology “MarineTLO” which allows describing and integrating marine data.
PerFedPat (2012 – 2014)	PerFedPat project (FP7-PEOPLE, No. 275522) – <i>“Pluggable Platform for Personalized Multilingual Patent Search”</i> . <u>Role:</u> I collaborated with Professor Michail Salamasis for the exploitation of the results of my PhD studies in the context of Patent Search. Specifically, I studied methods on how to enrich patent search results with static and dynamically-mined metadata for enabling exploratory patent searching.
MUMIA (2012 - 2014)	MUMIA Cost Action (IC1002) – <i>“Multilingual and Multifaceted Interactive Information Access”</i> . <u>Role:</u> Member of the action, involved in Working Group 4 (Semantic Search, Faceted Search and Visualization), presentation and discussion of my PhD research in working group meetings.

## SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

X-Search	Web search service for semantic and entity-based exploration of search results. Demo and more info: <a href="http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/X-Search">http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/X-Search</a>
X-Link	Configurable and Linked Data-based named-entity extraction framework. Demo and more info: <a href="http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/X-Link">http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/X-Link</a>
Theophrastus	System for the semantic annotation and exploration of web documents. Theophrastus was awarded the 1st prize in Blue Hackathon 2013. Demo and more info: <a href="http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/Theophrastus">http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/Theophrastus</a>
IOS	System / functionality for instant overview search (search-as-you-type). Demo and more info: <a href="http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/ios">http://www.ics.forth.gr/isl/ios</a>
Ithaca	Tool for converting and integrating open datasets to Linked Open Data. Ithaca was awarded the 1 <sup>st</sup> prize in Hack4Med 2014 (the HOMER project Hackathon). Source code and more info: <a href="https://github.com/mountanton/Ithaca">https://github.com/mountanton/Ithaca</a>
SPARQL-LD	Extension of SPARQL 1.1 that enables to directly fetch and query RDF data from heterogeneous web sources via SERVICE calls. Source code and more info: <a href="https://github.com/fafalios/sparql-ld">https://github.com/fafalios/sparql-ld</a>

## DISTINCTIONS, AWARDS AND GRANTS

### Distinctions

- Fellowship from legacy “*Maria Michael Manasaki*” for the academic year 2014-2015. This fellowship is awarded once a year to the one or two best graduate students of Computer Science department of University of Crete.

### Awards

- **1<sup>st</sup> prize** for the “*Best Homer Federation Open Data reuse app*”, **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** for the “*Most useful application for a public sector administration*”, and **1<sup>st</sup> prize** for the “*Best Solution for Crete*”, in Hack4Med, the HOMER project **Hackathon**, held in the University of Crete, Department of Computer Science, May 16-17, 2014, Voutes Campus, Heraklion, Greece. Michalis Mountantonakis and I developed and presented the system “*Ithaca: From Open Data to Linked Open Data*”.
- **1<sup>st</sup> prize in Blue Hackathon 2013**, held in the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR), July 1-2, 2013, Gournes, Heraklion, Greece. Panagiotis Papadakos and I developed and presented the system “*Theophrastus: A Semantic Exploration Tool for Marine Taxonomists*”.

### Grants

- Travel grant award from the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) for attending the SIGIR’13 conference in Dublin, Ireland (July 28 – August 1, 2013).
- Travel grant award from the Semantic Web Science Association (SWSA) and the National Science Foundation (NSF) for attending the ISWC’15 conference in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA (October 11-15, 2015).

## FELLOWSHIPS

12/2010 – 05/2016 | Fellowship from Institute of Computer Science, Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH).

10/2014 – 10/2015 | Fellowship from legacy “*Maria Michael Manasaki*”.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Proficient in:

- Java, J2EE, JSP
- PHP, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AJAX
- XML, XPath, XQuery, JSON
- RDF, OWL, SPARQL, Linked Data
- Ontology Engineering, Knowledge Representation
- SQL, UML
- Latex (document preparation system)

Prior experience in:

- C/C++
- Unix/Linux

## PERSONAL INTERESTS

Books · Sports (mainly football and basketball) · Exercising · Photography · Cinema