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Education

Ph.D. Candidate in Neural Science

2018-Present

New York University (New York, NY)

Advisor: Wei Ji Ma

B.A. in Neuroscience, Computer Science, & Mathematics

2014 - 2018

Macalester College (St. Paul, MN)

Honors in Mathematics, Magna Cum Laude

Publications

Preprints

• van Opheusden, B., Galbiati, G., **Kuperwajs, I.**, Bnaya, Z., Li, Y., & Ma, W.J. (2021). Revealing the impact of expertise on human planning with a two-player board game. *PsyArXiv*. pdf

Conference proceedings

- Kuperwajs, I. & Ma, W.J. (2021). Planning to plan: a Bayesian model for optimizing the depth of decision tree search. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*. pdf
- Kuperwajs, I., van Opheusden, B., & Ma, W.J. (2019). Prospective planning and retrospective learning in a large-scale combinatorial game. *Cognitive Computational Neuroscience*. pdf

Honors	&
Awards	

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2020-2023
CCN Trainee Travel Grant	2019
Henry Mitchell McCracken Fellowship	2018
Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society	2018
Macalester College Neuroscience Outstanding Graduate Award	2018
Cosyne Undergraduate Travel Grant	2018
IBRO-Simons Computational Neuroscience Imbizo	2018
Macalester College Dean's List	2014-2018
Janelia Undergraduate Scholars Program	2017
MIAC Men's Soccer Academic All-Conference Team	2015-2017
NYU Center for Neural Science NSF REU Fellowship	2016
Macalester College DeWitt Wallace Distinguished Scholar	2014

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, New York University

• Mathematical Tools for Neural and Cognitive Science (NEURL-GA 2201) F 19

Teaching Assistant, Macalester College

• Algorithm Design and Analysis (COMP 221)	F 17, S 18
• Brain, Mind, and Behavior (PSYC 180)	F 16
• Core Concepts in Computer Science (COMP 123)	S 16, F 16

Invited Talks	Cognitive Science Society, University of Vienna Center for Neural Science Seminar Series, New York University Concepts and Categories Seminar Series, New York University Artificial and Biological Computation Lab Meeting, New York University	2021 2020 2019 2019
Poster Presentations	Workshop on Big Data in Cognitive Science, Princeton University Cognitive Computational Neuroscience, Technical University of Berlin	2019 2019
Service & Outreach	Reviewing • Cognitive Science Society	
	Science Activism	
	• President, Scientist Action and Advocacy Network (ScAAN) 2018-Present	
	• Workshop on Environmental Justice, Ocean Sciences Meeting	2022
	• Workshop on Evidence-Based Advocacy, American Geophysical Union	2021
	• Workshop on Science Activism, Science and Education Policy Association	2021
	• Panel on Science Activism, Growing Up in Science	2020
Skills & Other	Programming: Python, MATLAB, HTML/CSS, bash Graduate Coursework: mathematical tools for neuroscience, machine learning, Bayesian and cognitive modeling, cellular and systems neuroscience Methodologies: behavioral modeling, reinforcement learning, statistical inference, deep learning Languages: English, Spanish, Hebrew Interests: photography, podcasting, travel, hiking, soccer, basketball, anime, coffee	