

Education

PhD Computer Science , Imperial College London Supervisor: Professor Stephen Muggleton Thesis: Efficient induction of efficient programs	Oct 2013 -
MSc Computer Science , University of Oxford Supervisor: Dr Brian Harrington Thesis: Modelling stock volume using Twitter	Oct 2010 - Oct 2011
BSc Computer Science , Nottingham Trent University Graduated with first-class honours Supervisor: Dr Caroline Langensiepen Dissertation: Identifying and inferring objects from natural language text	Oct 2005 - Jul 2009

Experience

Research Assistant , University of Cambridge Worked with Dr Eiko Yonkei on distributed asynchronous graph algorithms	Jul 2013 - Oct 2013
Research Engineer , MFG Labs, Paris, France Designed and developed large-scale machine learning algorithms	Jan 2012 - Jul 2013
Software Engineer , Esendex, Nottingham Developed analytical tools to monitor business SMS traffic	Jan 2010 - Oct 2010
Software Engineer , Counter Solutions, Derbyshire Developed analytical tools to monitor database and web servers	Jun 2007 - Oct 2008

Research visits

Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA	Jul 2016
Inoue Lab, National Institute of Informatics, Tokyo, Japan	Aug 2015 - Sep 2015
Inoue Lab, National Institute of Informatics, Tokyo, Japan	Oct 2014 - Dec 2014

Publications

Conferences

1. A. Cropper and S.H. Muggleton. Learning higher-order logic programs through abstraction and invention. In *Proceedings of the 25th International Joint Conference Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2016)*, pages 1418-1424. IJCAI, 2016.
2. A. Cropper, A. Tamaddoni-Nezhad, and S.H. Muggleton. Meta-interpretive learning of data transformation programs. In *Proceedings of the 25th International Conference on Inductive Logic Programming (ILP2015)*, pages 46-59. Springer-Verlag, 2015. LNAI 9046.
3. C. Farquhar, G. Grov, A. Cropper, S.H. Muggleton, and A. Bundy. Typed meta-interpretive learning for proof strategies. In *Late Breaking Papers of the 25th International Conference on Inductive Logic Programming*, pages 17-32, 2015.
4. A. Cropper and S.H. Muggleton. Learning efficient logical robot strategies involving composable objects. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Joint Conference Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2015)*, pages 3423-3429. IJCAI, 2015.
5. A. Cropper and S.H. Muggleton. Can predicate invention compensate for incomplete background knowledge? In *Thirteenth Scandinavian Conference on Artificial Intelligence - SCAI 2015*, Halmstad, Sweden, November 5-6, 2015, pp. 27-36.

6. A. Cropper and S.H. Muggleton. Logical minimisation of meta-rules within meta-interpretive learning. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on Inductive Logic Programming (ILP2014)*, pages 62-75. Springer-Verlag, 2015. LNAI 9046.

Workshops

1. A. Cropper. Identifying and inferring objects from textual descriptions of scenes from books. In *2014 Imperial College Computing Student Workshop*, ICCSW 2014, September 25-26, 2014, London, United Kingdom, pp. 19-26.

Extended abstracts

1. A. Cropper. Logic-based inductive synthesis of efficient programs. In *Proceedings of the 25th International Joint Conference Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2016)*, pages 3980-3981. IJCAI, 2016.
2. A. Cropper. Learning efficient logic programs. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Joint Conference Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2015)*, pages 4359-4360. IJCAI, 2015.

Awards and grants

- *Machine Learning Journal* best student paper ILP 2014
- National Institute of Informatics international internship program Oct 2014 - Dec 2014
- Syngenta fellowship Oct 2013 - Oct 2017
- Full BBSRC PhD case studentship Oct 2013 - Oct 2017

Professional services

Reviewing

- 2014 Imperial College Computing Student Workshop

Other

- IJCAI 2016 student volunteer
- IJCAI 2015 student volunteer

Talks

- Logic-based inductive synthesis of efficient programs, IJCAI16 doctoral consortium, New York, Jul 2016.
- Logic-based learning of programs from input/output examples, UC Berkeley, Jun 2016.
- Can predicate invention compensate for incomplete background knowledge? SCAI15, Halmstad, Sweden, Nov 2015.
- Meta-interpretive learning of data transformation programs, ILP15, Kyoto, Aug 2015.
- Learning efficient logical robot strategies involving composable objects. ILP15, Kyoto, Aug 2015.
- Learning efficient logical robot strategies involving composable objects. IJCAI15, Buenos Aires, Jul 2015.
- Learning efficient logic programs, IJCAI15 doctoral consortium, Buenos Aires, Jul 2015.
- Meta-interpretive learning normal logic programs, Meeting on meta-interpretive learning, Imperial College London, Jan 2015.
- Predicate invention in meta-interpretive learning, Meeting on abductive and inductive reasoning, Wakayama University, Japan, Dec 2014.
- Logical minimisation of meta-rules within meta-interpretive learning, ILP14, Nancy, Sep 2014.
- Can predicate invention in meta-interpretive learning compensate for incomplete background knowledge? ILP14, Nancy, Sep 2014.
- Identifying and inferring objects from textual descriptions of scenes from books, Imperial College Computing Student Workshop, London, UK, Sep 2014.