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## Research Interests \_

Mobile health and health informatics, with a focus on digital, quantitative behavioral assessment of neurologic disease signs.

# Professional Experience \_\_\_\_\_

# Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts General Hospital

Research Fellow in Neurology

Biogen Digital Health

Research Intern: Movement Data Analyst

#### **UMass Amherst Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences**

PhD Student (Advised by Prof. Sunghoon Ivan Lee)

CenturyLink

Software Developer II

**NASA Johnson Space Center** 

Software Engineering Intern

**NASA Ames Research Center** 

Software Engineering Intern

Boston, Massachusetts

Sept. 2022 – Present

Cambridge, Massachusetts

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June 2021 - Aug. 2021

Amherst, Massachusetts

Sept. 2017 - Aug. 2022

Monroe, Louisiana

June 2015 - Aug. 2017

Houston, Texas

May 2014 – July 2014

Mountain View, California

June 2013 - Aug. 2013

#### Education

#### **University of Massachusetts Amherst**

PhD Computer Science Outstanding Dissertation Award

#### **University of Massachusetts Amherst**

MS Computer Science

#### **Louisiana State University**

BS Computer Science and BS Mathematics

Amherst, Massachusetts

September 2022

Amherst, Massachusetts

May 2020

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

May 2015

# **Honors and Awards**

- 2022 **Outstanding Dissertation Award**, Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences
- 2022 Featured Article, IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering
- 2022 **Dissertation Writing Fellowship**, Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences
- 2020 Featured Article, IEEE Transactions on Neural Systems and Rehabilitation Engineering
- 2019 **NSF GRFP Honorable Mention**, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program
- 2019 **NSF Student Registration Award**, IEEE BHI/BSN '19
- 2017 Graduate School Fellowship, Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences
- 2017 James Kurose Scholar, Manning College of Information and Computer Sciences
- 2015 **Outstanding Thesis Award**, Louisiana State University Honors College
- 2015 **University Medalist**, Louisiana State University
- 2014 Barry M. Goldwater Scholar, Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation
- 2014 Official State Commendation, Louisiana Senate Resolution SR39
- 2013 Clayton Engineering Excellence Award, Louisiana State University College of Engineering
- 2011 **LA-STEM Research Scholarship**, Louisiana State University Office of Strategic Initiatives

#### Academic Service

- 2023 **Associate Editor**, IEEE Int. Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference (EMBC)
- 2023 **Publicity Chair**, IEEE-EMBS Int. Conf. Wearable Implantable Body Sensor Netw. (BSN)
- 2023 **Peer Review**, IEEE TNSRE, JNER, Sensors, Frontiers Bioeng. Biotechnol.

#### **Journal Publications**

- [J1] N. M. Eklund, **B. Oubre**, A. C. Luddy, F. Yang, S. Patel, J. D. Schmahmann, C. D. Stephen, and A. S. Gupta, "The influence of self-reported depression on motor and non-motor components of patient-reported outcome measures in cerebellar ataxias," *The Cerebellum*, [In Preparation].
- [J2] A. Nunes, S. Patel, **B. Oubre**, *et al.*, "Neurobooth: A digital behavioral assessment platform to catalyze the use of artificial intelligence in neurology," [In Preparation].
- [J3] J.-F. Daneault, B. Oubre, J. G. V. Miranda, and **S. I. Lee**, "Variability in voluntary human movement can be accounted for by a small number of motor primitives," *Frontiers Human Neurosci.*, [Major Revisions].
- [J4] **B. Oubre** and S. I. Lee, "Detection and assessment of point-to-point movements during functional activities using deep learning and kinematic analyses of the stroke-affected wrist," *IEEE J. Biomed. Health Inform*, [Minor Revisions].
- [J5] K. Vattis, **B. Oubre**, A. C. Luddy, J. S. Ouillon, N. M. Eklund, C. D. Stephen, J. D. Schmahmann, A. S. Nunes, and A. S. Gupta, "Sensitive quantification of cerebellar speech abnormalities using deep learning models," *IEEE Access*, [Minor Revisions].
- [J6] J. Lee, **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, S. I. Lee, and A. S. Gupta, "Estimation of ataxia severity in children with ataxia-telangiectasia using ankle-worn sensors," *J. Neurology*, Jul. 2023.
- [J7] Y. Liu, **B. Oubre**, C. Duval, S. I. Lee, and J.-F. Daneault, "A kinematic data-driven approach to differentiate involuntary choreic movements in individuals with neurological conditions," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.*, vol. 69, no. 12, pp. 3784–3791, Dec. 2022.
- [J8] J. Lee, **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, C. D. Stephen, J. D. Schmahmann, A. S. Gupta, and S. I. Lee, "Analysis of gait sub-movements to estimate ataxia severity using ankle inertial data," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.*, vol. 69, no. 7, pp. 2314–2323, Jul. 2022.
- [J9] **B. Oubre**, S. Lane, S. Holmes, K. Boyer, and S. I. Lee, "Estimating ground reaction force and center of pressure using low-cost wearable devices," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.*, vol. 69, no. 4, pp. 1461–1468, Apr. 2022, [Featured Article].
- [J10] **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, K. Whritenour, N. C. Khan, C. D. Stephen, J. D. Schmahmann, S. I. Lee, and A. S. Gupta, "Decomposition of reaching movements enables detection and measurement of ataxia," *Cerebellum*, vol. 20, no. 6, pp. 811–822, Dec. 2021.
- [J11] **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, K. Boyer, J. H. Kim, M. Jasim, P. Bonato, and S. I. Lee, "A simple low-cost wearable sensor for long-term ambulatory monitoring of knee joint kinematics," *IEEE Trans. Biomed. Eng.*, vol. 67, no. 12, pp. 3483–3490, Dec. 2020.
- [J12] **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, H.-T. Jung, K. Whritenour, J. G. V. Miranda, J. Park, T. Ryu, Y. Kim, and S. I. Lee, "Estimating upper-limb impairment level in stroke survivors using wearable inertial sensors and a minimally-burdensome motor task," *IEEE Trans. Neural Syst. Rehabil. Eng.*, vol. 28, no. 3, pp. 601–611, Mar. 2020, [Featured Article].
- [J13] P. Khaloo, **B. Oubre**, J. Yang, T. Rahman, and S. I. Lee, "Nose: A novel odor sensing engine for ambient monitoring of the frying cooking method in kitchen environments," *Proc. ACM Interact. Mob. Wearable Ubiquitous Technol.*, vol. 3, no. 2, 49:1–49:25, Jun. 2019, ISSN: 2474-9567.

# **Conference Proceedings**

- [C1] **B. Oubre** and S. I. Lee, "Estimating post-stroke upper-limb impairment from four activities of daily living using a single wrist-worn inertial sensor," in *IEEE EMBS Int. Conf. Biomed. Health Inform.*, IEEE, Sep. 2022.
- [C2] **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, H.-T. Jung, J. Park, T. Ryu, Y. Kim, and S. I. Lee, "Estimating quality of reaching movement using a wrist-worn inertial sensor," in *42nd Annu. Int. Conf. IEEE Eng. Medicine Biol. Soc.*, IEEE, Jul. 2020.

# **Abstracts, Talks, and Posters**

- [A1] **B. Oubre**, "Digital and quantitative behavioral phenotyping in neurologic disease," *ML4Health Seminar Series*, *Broad Insitute*, Feb. 2024, [Upcoming Invited Talk].
- [A2] **B. Oubre**, J.-F. Daneault, K. Whritenour, N. C. Khan, C. D. Stephen, J. D. Schmahmann, S. I. Lee, and A. S. Gupta, "Decomposition of reaching movements enables detection and measurement of ataxia," *2nd Annu. Massachusetts General Hospital Ataxia Center Symp.*, May 2021, [Invited Talk].

- [A3] **B. Oubre**, K. Whritenour, J.-F. Daneault, A. S. Gupta, and S. I. Lee, "Estimation of ataxia severity using wrist-worn sensors and the finger-to-nose test," *Nat. Ataxia Found. Ataxia Investigators Meeting*, Mar. 2020.
- [A4] **B. Oubre**, K. Whritenour, J.-F. Daneault, A. S. Gupta, and S. I. Lee, "Estimation of ataxia severity using wrist-worn sensors and the finger-to-nose test," *1st Annu. Massachusetts General Hospital Ataxia Center Symp.*, Mar. 2020, [Invited Talk].
- [A5] J. Yang, A. Varga, K. Tung, A. Chandra, **B. Oubre**, N. Ramasarma, E. K. Choe, P. Bonato, and S. I. Lee, "A finger-worn sensor network for monitoring the real-world performance of stroke survivors," *16th IEEE Int. Conf. Wearable Implantable Body Sensor Netw.*, May 2019.

# **Teaching Experience**

# COMPSCI 590W / INFO 390W: Health Informatics and Data Science

**UMass Amherst** 

Teaching Assistant Spring 2022
Teaching Assistant Spring 2021

• Joint masters-level and undergraduate course tailored for students with either clinical or computational backgrounds.

- Developed content for first course offering and refined content in subsequent semester.
- Taught weekly discussion sections and held office hours.
- Nominated for outstanding teaching assistant in Spring 2022.

## **COMPSCI 240: Reasoning Under Uncertainty**

**UMass Amherst** 

Lead Teaching AssistantFall 2021Teaching AssistantFall 2020

- Large (over 300 students) undergraduate course covering the fundamentals of counting, probability, and probabilistic reasoning.
- Taught weekly discussion sections, held office hours, and answered student questions.
- As lead TA, managed many aspects of course administration and ensured consistent student experience across discussion sections.
- Nominated for outstanding teaching assistant in Fall 2021.

# Outreach and Volunteer Activity \_

## Women in Engineering Day and Girls Inc. Workshops

Co-Organizer, Volunteer

FIRST FRC Team 4209

Mentor

**FIRST FTC Tournament** 

Volunteer Judge

Amherst, Massachusetts Oct. 2017 – July 2022

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Jan. 2012 - May 2015

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dec. 2014