Daniel La Combe

computer vision scientist

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Web & Git

dlacombejr.github.io github.com/dlacombejr

Programming

Python, Theano, scikit-learn SciPy, numpy, NLTK Matlab Weka, R LATEX, Git NetworkX EC2, S3, boto

Skills

Coding Writing Public Speaking

Hobbies

Music Composition
Instrumental
Progressive
Ambient
Mathrock
Rock Climbing

Bouldering Lead/Sport

Reference

Elan Barenholtz FAU, Psychology 561.297.3433 elan.barenholtz@ fau.edu

Education

2013 - Now Ph.D., Psychology exp. May 2016

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

Advisor: Elan Barenholtz

Dissertation: Emergence of Taxonomical Categories in Deep Learning

Awards: 2015 FAU GRIP Grant

2011 - 2013 M.A., Experimental Psychology

Appalachian State University, Boone, NC

Advisor: Christopher A. Dickinson

Thesis: Semantic Consistency in Boundary Extension

2007-2011 **B.A., Psychology** University of Delaware, Newark, DE

Advisor: James E. Hoffman

Experience

2013 - Now Graduate Research

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

// Investigating deep learning models for unsupervised representation learning of semantic taxonomies based on statistics of natural images

// Explored novel feature extraction methods for predictive decoding of user intentions based on recorded eye movements using machine learning algorithms (support vector machines) and advanced quantitative methods (recurrence quantification analysis)

// Developed a good understanding of basic statistics and probability theory during my studies

2014 - Now **Software Development**

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

// Developed and maintained software that constructs hierarchical representational models using machine learning libraries in Python (Theano, scikit-learn, scipy.optimize)

// Implemented code in Amazon Web Services EC2 g2.2xlarge GPU instances with custom Amazon Machine Image for runtime performance optimization.

// Regularly refine code to increase scalability and generalization performance to new demands

2014 - Now

Distributed Version Control

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

// Maintain all code using Git version control and utilize Github to store/share code

// Contribute to Machine Perception and Cognitive Robotics lab using Git version control

Publications

Hahn, W. E., Lewkowitz, S., Lacombe Jr., D. C., & Barenholtz, E. (2015). Deep learning human actions from video via sparse filtering and locally competitive algorithms. Multimedia Tools and Applications, 1-14.

Dickinson, C. A., & LaCombe Jr., D. C. (2014). Objects influence the shape of remembered views: Examining global and local aspects of boundary extension. Perception, 43, 731-753.

Dickinson, C., LaCombe, D., Nichols, J., Hinnant, S., Rickard, E., & Sternbergh, X. (2012). Using boundary extension to assess memory for scene views across changes in object orientation. Journal of Vision, 12, 1071-1071.