# **Thomas Donahue**



# **Experience**

Mar 2014- Robot Software Engineer, Aldebaran Robotics, Boston, MA

Member of a small, agile team, as well as apart of a larger multinational team based in Paris and Shanghai – both using Scrum. I design and build immersive behavior and functionality into Aldebaran's range of humanoid robots. I work on the full stack, but my passion is generating dynamic natural language dialogs that yield intuitive, productive and meaningful human-robot interactions.

Keywords: Python, Robotics, HRI, NLP/NLG, JS, HTML/CSS, C++, Scrum, Linux, Git

2012 - 2014 **Research Assistant & Teaching Assistant**, Human Robot Interaction Lab, Tufts University, Medford, MA

Implemented distributed notification system for the ADE robotics middleware. Overhauled system GUIs for ADE middleware with improved efficiency and speed, as well as a simplified UX. Designed, conducted and analyzed multiple HRI studies investigating multiple factors within human-robot teams. Developed data-mining tools for rich audio and video corpora and annotations. Designed and built web-survey platform for multiple HRI studies.

Keywords: Java, Robotics, HRI, NLP/NLG, PHP, JS, HTML/CSS, Linux, Git, SVN, LETEX, R

2010 - 2012 **Research Assistant**, Computer-Human Interaction Lab, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH

Part of a team that developed a novel, tangible password input system. Designed, built and tested an alternative UI for World of Warcraft for the visually impaired community. Helped build a series of web-tools for use in undergraduate Geology courses. Investigated the learning benefits of and tradeoffs between mouse, touch and tangible input systems.

**Keywords:** Java, C++, HCI, Tangible/Touch UIs, Accesibility, Windows

## **Technical Skills**

Languages		IOOIS
Java, Python, C++	src Control:	Git, Subversion

Experienced: PHP, JS, Clojure, HTML/CSS Build: Ant, Leiningen

Exposure: C, R, SQL, Scheme, SML, Prolog, CUDA Editors: Emacs, IntelliJ IDEA, Visual Studio

Writing: LATEX, Org-mode

#### **Platforms**

Core:

Linux: Considerable Linux development experience, and comfortable at the command line shell

Robotics: Extensive experience working with Aldebaran's NaoQi robotics middleware, as well as ADE – a research focused

distributed, multi-agent robotics middleware. Familiar with ROS.

# **Projects**

2012 - 2014 Graduate studies in Computer Science, Tufts University, Medford, MA

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