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Interests

I create tools and user interfaces for teaching and learning online and at scale. My thesis work is focused on tools for teaching programming to thousands of students at once.

Human-computer interaction (HCI), learning at scale, computer science education.

Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering and Computer Science 4.8/5.0 GPA

May 2016 (Expected)

Advisor: Robert C. Miller

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Master of Eng., Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Feb. 2010 Advisor: Russ Tedrake. Thesis: "A quadratic regulator-based heuristic for rapidly exploring state space."

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

B.S., Electrical Science and Engineering

June 2008

4.8/5.0 GPA

Research Positions

$\operatorname{\mathbf{MIT}}\nolimits$ $\operatorname{\mathbf{CSAIL}}\nolimits$ User Interface Design Group

Feb. '13 - present

Ph.D. Candidate

Cambridge, MA

Google May '15 - Aug. '15

 $User\ Experience\ Research\ Intern$

Mountain View, CA

- Prototyping interfaces that help people learn.
- Mentored by Dan Russell.

Microsoft Research neXus Research Team

May '14 - Aug. '14

Research Intern

Redmond, WA

- Created, studied, and published Mudslide, a novel system for flipped classrooms.
- Mentored by Merrie Ringel Morris, Andres Monroy-Hernandez, and Anoop Gupta.

Stanford University Biomimetics & Dexterous Manipulation Lab

Visiting Researcher

Oct. '10 - Jan. '11

• Led an MIT-Stanford collaboration on agile autonomous aerial vehicles, resulting in a publication and a funded grant.

MIT CSAIL Robot Locomotion Group

Graduate Research Assistant

June '08 - May '12

Cambridge, MA

MIT CSAIL Networks & Mobile Systems Group

Undergraduate Researcher

Feb. '05 - June '06 Cambridge, MA

• Created and published a novel algorithm for processing EEGs, and later helped file a patent application on the technology.

Princeton University EEG Lab

Mar. '04 - Aug. '04

Independent Researcher, invited by the EEG Lab director

Princeton, NJ

Journal Articles

OverCode: Visualizing variation in student solutions to programming problems at scale. **Elena L. Glassman**, Jeremy Scott, Rishabh Singh, Philip J. Guo, Robert C. Miller. *ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction* (TOCHI) 22, no. 2 (2015).

• Online Learning at Scale Special Issue

A wavelet-like filter based on neuron action potentials for analysis of human scalp electroencephalographs.

Elena L. Glassman

IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering 52, no. 11 (2005).

• A single-author IEEE journal article on the signal processing of EEGs based on my Intel ISEF project, which shared the top award with 2/1300 other projects.

Conference Papers

Mudslide: A spatially anchored census of student confusion for online lecture videos. **Elena L. Glassman**, Juho Kim, Andres Monroy-Hernandez, Meredith Ringel Morris. CHI 2015: ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. **Honorable Mention Award (top 5%)** (23% acceptance rate, 10 pages)

RIMES: Embedding interactive multimedia exercises in lecture videos. Juho Kim, **Elena L. Glassman**, Andres Monroy-Hernandez, Meredith Ringel Morris. CHI 2015: ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. (23% acceptance rate, 10 pages)

Toward facilitating assistance to students attempting engineering design problems. **Elena L. Glassman**, Ned Gulley, Robert C. Miller.

ICER 2013: ACM Conference on International Computing Education Research. (31% acceptance rate, 6 pages)

Region of attraction estimation for a perching aircraft: a lyapunov method exploiting barrier certificates.

Elena L. Glassman, Alexis Lussier Desbiens, Mark Tobenkin, Mark Cutkosky, Russ Tedrake.

ICRA 2012: IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation. (40% acceptance rate, 8 pages)

A quadratic regulator-based heuristic for rapidly exploring state space.

Elena L. Glassman, Russ Tedrake.

ICRA 2010: IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation.

(41% acceptance rate, 8 pages)

Technical Reports

Papers

iBCM: Interactive Bayesian Case Model Empowering Humans via Intuitive Interaction. Been Kim, **Elena Glassman**, Brittney Johnson, and Julie Shah. MIT CSAIL TR-2015-010, April 1, 2015.

Posters, Workshops, and Doctoral Consortium Learner-Sourcing in an Engineering Class at Scale.

Elena L. Glassman, Christopher J. Terman, Robert C. Miller.

L@S 2015: ACM Learning at Scale Conference.

Using and Designing Platforms for In Vivo Educational Experiments. $\,$

Joseph Jay Williams, Korinn Ostrow, Xi Xiong, **Elena Glasman**, Juho Kim, Samuel Maldonado, Justin Reich, Neil Heffernan.

L@S 2015: ACM Learning at Scale Conference.

OverCode: visualizing variation in student solutions to programming problems at scale.

Elena L. Glassman, Jeremy Scott, Rishabh Singh, Philip J. Guo, Robert C. Miller. MIT Big Data Initiative, Nov. 2014.

Interacting with massive numbers of student solutions.

(Poster and Doctoral Consortium)

Elena L. Glassman.

UIST 2014: ACM User Interface Software and Technology Symposium.

Feature engineering for clustering student solutions.

Elena L. Glassman, Rishabh Singh, Ned Gulley, Robert C. Miller.

CHI 2014: Learning Innovations at Scale Workshop.

Feature engineering for clustering student solutions.

Elena L. Glassman, Rishabh Singh, Robert C. Miller.

L@S 2014: ACM Learning at Scale Conference.

Mining student-generated alternative implementations.

Elena L. Glassman, Robert C. Miller.

Quanta Workshop and Education Symposium, Taiwan, Jan. 2014.

Visualizing and classifying multiple solutions to engineering design problems.

Elena L. Glassman.

ICER 2013: ACM Conference on International Computing Education Research.

Reducing the number of channels for an ambulatory patient-specific EEG-based epileptic seizure detector by applying recursive feature elimination.

Elena L. Glassman, John V. Guttag.

EMBS 2006: IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society.

Awards and Honors

- Honorable Mention Award
 CHI 2015. Among the top 5% of all submissions.

 Amar Bose Teaching Fellowship
 Jan. '14 Dec. '14
- Awarded to 3 nominated teaching assistants across MIT.

 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Sept. '11 Sept. '14
- National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG)
 Fellowship Sept. '08 Sept. '11
- MIT EECS Dept. Masterworks Oral Thesis Presentation Award May '09
- Eta Kappa Nu, an EECS honor society '08
 National Gallery for America's Young Inventors Induction Feb. '04
- Selected awards from the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair
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 - Intel Foundation Young Scientist Award (\$50,000) May '03 Given to the top 3 out of 1300 projects at Intel International Science and Engineering Fair.
 - IEEE President's Scholarship (\$10,000) May '04
 Best of Category: Computer Science (\$5,000) May '03

Selected Press

- MIT News: "Reviewing online homework at scale" March '15 Chosen as the MIT homepage Spotlight story
- The New York Times: "Not Too Young for a Patent" Feb. '04
- Science: "Rising Stars" (30 May 2003), Science 300 (5624), 1368d.

Profiles,	• Reddit's Upvoted podcast	Feb. '15	
Interviews, and	Interviewed with Jean Yang and Neha Narula.		
Op-Eds	Chosen as one of the A.V. Club's best podcasts of the week.		
	• WIRED opinion piece: "MIT Computer Scientists Demonstrate the Hard Way That		
	Gender Still Matters" with Jean Yang and Neha Narula	Dec. '14	
	• Profiled in the MIT EECS Department Newsletter	Fall '10	
	• CNN's Lou Dobbs Tonight	Fall '03	
	Profiled in the segment "America's Bright Future"		
	• CNN's American Morning, Guest	May '03	
Seminars and	• HarvardX	May '15	
Invited Talks	"User Interfaces for Teaching Online and at Scale"	v	
	• Wellesley HCI	March '15	
	"User Interfaces for Teaching Online and at Scale"		
	• DUB Seminar, HCI & Design, U. of Washington	July '14	
	"OverCode: Visualizing variation in student solutions to programmi	ing problems at	
	scale."		
	• Schlumberger-Doll Research Center	Oct. '01	
	"Signal Dissection by Repetitive Smoothing and Extraction."		
	Talk given as part of receiving the Schlumberger Excellence in Edu opment award at Intel ISEF 2001.	cational Devel-	
Public Speaking	• Panelist, Women Techmaker's Summit at Google Cambridge	March '15	
	• Invited speaker, MIT CSAIL's Hour of Code event	Dec. '14	
	• Panelist, MIT EECS Teaching Assistant Orientation	Feb. '13	
	• Invited speaker, MIT Women's Technology Program	July '08, '11	
	• Invited speaker, MIT CSAIL Campus Preview Weekend	Apr. '08	
Teaching	• Teaching Assistant, Computation Structures, MIT		
		Fall '13, Fall '14	
	Ran twice-weekly recitations, created new tools to support student students in the course lab space.		
	• Instructor, Software Carpentry, NYU	Mar. '14	
	Worked with a team of instructors to teach a workshop covering Pyt		
	• Instructor, Middle East Education through Technology (MEET) Summer '13 Taught the basics of programming and teamwork to Israeli and Palestinian gifted high school sophomores in Jerusalem.		
	• Educational video creator, MIT Teaching and Learning Lab Spring '13 Produced for the Singapore University of Technology and Design, explained radio receiver technology.		
	• Instructor, Review of Signals & Systems, MIT	an. '11, '12, '13	
	• Teaching Assistant, Introduction to EECS 1, MIT	Fall '11	
	• Tutor, Signals, Systems, & Probabilistic Systems Analysis,		

Research Mentoring

- Stacey Terman, MIT undergraduate Master's thesis proposal
- Aaron Lin, MIT undergraduate Built and deployed Dear Beta, a platform for crowdsourcing hints in a large undergraduate computer architecture course

Training	• Graduate Student Teaching Certificate Program, MIT A year-long seminar in state-of-the-art teaching techniques. May '1	_ l1	
Service and Leadership	• Reviewer, User Interface Software and Technology (UIST) May '1	L5	
	• Session Chair ACM Computer-Human Interaction (CHI) Apr. '1 Social Media & Citizen Science	15	
	• Works-in-Progress Program Committee ACM Computer-Human Interaction (CHI) Jan. '15		
	• President, Middle East Education through Technology's student group at MIT Recruiting and coordinating MIT students as summer instructors. Fall '13 - present		
	• MIT EdTech Reading Group Co-Organizer Fall '12 Formed a reading group for MIT students, faculty, and staff to discuss papers relevant to the growing interest in technology in education and education at scale.		
	• Eta Kappa Nu Vice-President, MIT Chapter Spring '08 - '0 MIT's EECS honor society)9	
	• MIT EECS Department Education Committee Dec. '06 - Fall '08 Served as a student representative during a significant department-wide curriculum redesign.		
	• MIT Council on Educational Technology Spring 'C)5	
Outreach	 Reddit AMA on gender, CS, and academia with Jean Yang and Neha Nerula Received 4763 comments, rose to the top 5 stories on the Reddit homepage, and was covered by Business Insider, Gigaom, and BostInno among others. Dec. '14 Harvard Women in CS's "Women Engineers Code Hackathon", Mentor Dec. '13 Cambridge Science Festival, Robotics representative Nov. '11 NH TechFest, Robotics representative May '11 		
Other activities	 Wrestling Team Member, MIT's NCAA Div. III Varsity Wrestling Team Winter '08 - '0 Competitor, US and Canada in regional & national women's tournaments '09 - '1 Two-time Training Camp participant, US Olympic Training Center in Colorage Springs, CO Aug. '10, Sept. '1 	12 go	