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## **EDUCATION**

University of California, San Diego Ph.D. Psychology and Cognitive Science (GPA: 3.94 / 4.0)	2018–2023 (expected)
Marine Biological Laboratory Summer Course Brains, Minds, & Machines Program	2020 - Remote
Stanford University B.S., M.S. Symbolic Systems (GPA: 3.63 / 4.0)	2014

#### FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

UCSD Acadmic Senate General Resarch Grant (\$10,000)	May 2022
UCSD Anderson Graduate Research Fellowship (\$1,500)	Sep. 2019
UCSD Katzin Graduate Fellowship (\$50,000)	Sep. 2018

## ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

Psychonomic Society Graduate Conference Award (\$1,000)	Oct. 2020
Cognitive Science Society Computational Prize (\$1,000)	$June\ 2020$
K. Jon Barwise Award for distinguished contributions to Stanford Symbolic Systems	June 2014

## LEADERSHIP & OUTREACH

UCSD Psychology Department Climate Committee Member	Nov. 2020 - present
UCSD Psychology Department Graduate Statistics Advisor	Sep. 2019 - present
UCSD Psychology Student Speaker Series Graduate Student Officer	May 2019 - present
UCSD Graduate Students GradAMP Mentor	Sep. 2020 - Mar. 2021
UCSD Psychology Data Science Club Club Leader	May 2019 - May 2020
UCSD Psychology Colloquium Series Graduate Student Officer	May 2019 - May 2020

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Brockbank, E.**, Lombrozo, T., Gopnik, A., & Walker, C. (2022). Ask me why, don't tell me why: Asking children for explanations facilitates relational thinking. *Developmental Science*.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Walker, C. (2022). Explanation Impacts Hypothesis Generation, but not Evaluation, During Learning. *Cognition*.

**Brockbank, E.**, Vul, E. & Barner, D. (2022). Ongoing dynamic calibration produces unstable number estimates. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.

Schneider, R., **Brockbank**, E., Feiman, R., & Barner, D. (2021). Counting and the ontogenetic origins of exact equality. *Cognition*.

**Brockbank**, E., & Vul, E. (2021). Formalizing Opponent Modeling with the Rock, Paper, Scissors Game. *Games*.

Destefano, I., Oey, L.A., **Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2021). Integration by Parts: Collaboration and Topic Structure in the CogSci Community. *Topics in Cognitive Science*.

## **MANUSCRIPTS**

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (in prep). Rock, paper, scissors reveals limits of a "behaviorist" theory of mind.

#### CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Brockbank, E., Wang, H., Yang, J., Mirchandani, S., Bıyık, E., Sadigh, D., & Fan, J. (2022). How do people incorporate advice from artificial agents when making physical judgments? In *Proceedings of the 44th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2021). Humans fail to outwit adaptive rock, paper, scissors opponents. In *Proceedings of the 43rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.* 

**Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2020). Recursive Adversarial Reasoning in the Rock, Paper, Scissors Game. In *Proceedings of the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

Brockbank, E., & Walker, C. (2020). Explanation Supports Hypothesis Generation in Learning. In Proceedings of the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Oey, L.A., Destefano, I., **Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2020). Formalizing interdisciplinary collaboration in the CogSci community. In *Proceedings of the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2019). Mapping visual features onto numbers. In *Proceedings of the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Smith, K. & Vul, E. (2019). When do people use containment heuristics for physical predictions? In *Proceedings of the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*. (Retraction November, 2019).

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

**Brockbank, E.**, Holdaway, C., Acosta-Kane, D. & Vul, E. (in press). Sampling Data, Beliefs, and Actions. In Fiedler, K., Juslin, P., & Denrell, J. (Eds.), *Sampling in Judgment and Decision Making*. Cambridge University Press.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Brockbank, E., Wang, H., Yang, J., Mirchandani, S., Bıyık, E., Sadigh, D., & Fan, J. (2022, July). How do people incorporate advice from artificial agents when making physical judgments? Talk at the 44th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (2021, November). Rock, paper, scissors agents exploit patterns in human sequential behavior. Talk at the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (2021, July). Humans fail to outwit adaptive rock, paper, scissors opponents. Poster presented at the 43rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Brockbank, E., & Walker, C. (2021, July). Explanation Impacts Hypothesis Generation, but not Evaluation, during Learning. Poster presented at the 47th Annual Conference of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2020, November). Modeling Adaptive Reasoning in Rock, Paper, Scissors. Poster presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (2020, July). Recursive Adversarial Reasoning in the Rock, Paper, Scissors

Game. Talk at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Brockbank, E., & Walker, C. (2020, July). Explanation Supports Hypothesis Generation in Learning. Talk at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

Oey, L.A., Destefano, I., **Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2020, July). Formalizing interdisciplinary collaboration in the CogSci community. Talk at the 42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

**Brockbank, E.**, & Vul, E. (2020, July). Adaptive Reasoning in Rock-Paper-Scissors. Talk at the 53rd Annual Conference of the Society for Mathematical Psychology.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (2019, July). Mapping visual features onto numbers. Poster presented at the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Brockbank, E., Smith, K., & Vul, E. (2019, July). When do people use containment heuristics for physical predictions? Poster presented at the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Brockbank, E., & Vul, E. (2019, June). Mapping visual features onto numbers. Poster presented at the 45th Annual Conference of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology. San Diego, California, USA.

## INVITED TALKS

Brockbank, E. (2021, November) How do people judge the competence of learning agents? Talk at the Stanford Social Learning Lab. Remote.

Brockbank, E. (2020, October) Behaviorist theory of mind: Human adaptive reasoning in the rock, paper, scissors game. Talk at the UCSD cogtools Lab. San Diego, CA.

Brockbank, E. (2020, October) Behaviorist theory of mind: Human adaptive reasoning in the rock, paper, scissors game. Talk at the UCSD cognitive brown bag. San Diego, CA.

#### **TEACHING**

Instructor of Record Data & Model Programming for Comp. Social Science	Mar June 2022
Teaching Assistant Research Methods in Psychology	Sep Dec. 2021
Teaching Assistant Computational Social Science Foundations (python)	Aug Sep. 2021
Teaching Assistant Psychology: Cognitive Foundations	Mar Jun. 2021
Teaching Assistant Introduction to Psychology	Sep Dec. 2020
Teaching Assistant Psychology of Parenting	Mar June 2020
Teaching Assistant Introduction to Psychology	Sep Dec. 2019
Teaching Assistant Industrial & Organizational Psychology	Jul Aug. 2019
Teaching Assistant Developmental Psychology	Jan Mar. 2019
Teaching Assistant Media Economics	Mar June 2014
Teaching Assistant Introduction to Cognitive Science	Jan Mar. 2014
Teaching Assistant Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	Sep Dec. 2012

#### **MENTORSHIP**

Alison Yu (UCSD Undergraduate)	Apr. 2021 - present
MJ Mei (UCSD Undergraduate)	Apr. 2021 - present
Betty Gong (UCSD Undergraduate)	Apr. 2021 - present
Annalea O'Halloran (UCSD Undergraduate)	Apr. 2021 - Dec. 2021