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#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Stanford University	Sep. 2023
Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Psychology	
EDUCATION	
University of California, San Diego	2025
Ph.D. Experimental Psychology	
Stanford University	201
B.S., M.S. Symbolic Systems	
ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS	
PsychTerms Graduate Research Award	2022
Psychonomic Society Graduate Conference Award	2020
Cognitive Science Society Computational Prize	2020
FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS	
NSF SBE Postdoctoral Research Fellowship	2024-2020
UCSD Academic Senate General Research Grant	2022
UCSD Anderson Graduate Research Fellowship	2019
UCSD Katzin Graduate Fellowship	2018-202

#### **MANUSCRIPTS**

**Brockbank**, E., Lloyd, H., Tait, Z., Bear, A., Liao, S., & Fan, J. E. (in prep). Measuring links between student attitudes, engagement, and learning in introductory data science courses.

# **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

**Brockbank**, E., Verma, A., Lloyd, H., Huey, H., Padilla, L., & Fan, J. E. (*under review*). Evaluating convergence between two data visualization literacy assessments.

**Brockbank**, E., & Vul, E. (2024). Repeated rock, paper, scissors play reveals limits in adaptive sequential behavior. *Cognitive Psychology*.

**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*.

#### **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

Jin, E., Huang, Z., Fränken, J. P., Liu, W., Cha, H., **Brockbank, E.**, Wu, S., Zhang, R., Wu, J., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). MARPLE: A Benchmark for Long-Horizon Inference. In *NeurIPS Datasets & Benchmarks Track*.

\*Brockbank, E., \*Yang, J., Govil, M., Fan, J. E., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). Without his cookies, he's just a monster: A counterfactual simulation model of social explanation. In *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

\*Wu, S., \*Brockbank, E., Cha, H., Fränken, J. P., Jin, E., Huang, Z., Liu, W., Zhang, R., Wu, J., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). Whodunnit? Inferring what happened from multimodal evidence. In *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

**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. (2023). Sampling Data, Beliefs, and Actions. In Fiedler, K., Juslin, P., & Denrell, J. (Eds.), *Sampling in Judgment and Decision Making*. Cambridge University Press.

# **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Jin, E., Huang, Z., Fränken, J. P., Liu, W., Cha, H., **Brockbank, E.**, Wu, S., Zhang, R., Wu, J., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). MARPLE: A Benchmark for Long-Horizon Inference. Poster presented at *NeurIPS Datasets & Benchmarks Track*.

\*Brockbank, E., \*Yang, J., Govil, M., Fan, J. E., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). Without his cookies, he's just a monster: A counterfactual simulation model of social explanation. Poster presented at the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

\*Wu, S., \*Brockbank, E., Cha, H., Fränken, J. P., Jin, E., Huang, Z., Liu, W., Zhang, R., Wu, J., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). Whodunnit? Inferring what happened from multimodal evidence. Poster presented at the 46th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society.

\*Brockbank, E., \*Yang, J., Govil, M., Fan, J. E., & Gerstenberg, T. (2024). Without his cookies, he's just a monster: A counterfactual simulation model of social explanation. Talk presented at the *50th Annual Conference of* 

the Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

Hurwitz, E., Dean, J., Farrell, B., Mckinty, A., **Brockbank, E.**, Gopnik, A., Walker, C. (2024). A Cognitive Development Model of the Effects of Psychedelics. Poster presented at the *50th Annual Conference of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology*.

Lloyd, H., Tait, Z., **Brockbank, E.**, Liao, S., & Fan, J. (2022). How well do student attitudes and engagement predict learning outcomes in introductory data science courses? Talk at the *PsychTerms Annual Meeting*.

**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? Talk at the *44th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

**Brockbank**, E., & Vul, E. (2021). 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). 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). 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). Modeling Adaptive Reasoning in Rock, Paper, Scissors. Poster presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society.

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

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

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

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

# **INVITED TALKS**

2023, December. Stanford Social and Language Technology Reading Group

2022, October. Naval Research Laboratory "Reasoning Lunch Series"

#### **TEACHING**

Instructor of Record Data & Model Programming for Comp. Social Science	MarJun. 2022
Teaching Assistant Research Methods in Psychology	JanMar. 2023
Teaching Assistant Research Methods in Psychology	SepDec. 2022
Teaching Assistant Research Methods in Psychology	SepDec. 2021
Teaching Assistant Computational Social Science Foundations (python)	AugSep. 2021
Teaching Assistant Psychology: Cognitive Foundations	MarJun. 2021

Teaching Assistant Introduction to Psychology	SepDec. 2020
Teaching Assistant Psychology of Parenting	MarJun. 2020
Teaching Assistant Introduction to Psychology	SepDec. 2019
Teaching Assistant Industrial & Organizational Psychology	JulAug. 2019
Teaching Assistant Developmental Psychology	JanMar. 201
ENTORSHIP	
Mishika Govil (Stanford Undergraduate Researcher)	Nov. 2023
Alison Yu (UCSD Undergraduate Researcher)	Apr. 2021-Mar. 202
MJ Mei (UCSD Undergraduate Researcher)	Apr. 2021-Mar. 202
Ziling Gong (UCSD Undergraduate Researcher)	Apr. 2021-Mar. 202
Annalea O'Halloran (UCSD Undergraduate Researcher)	Apr. 2021-Dec. 202
EADERSHIP & OUTREACH	
UCSD Graduate Student Association Psychology Dept. Representative	2022-202
UCSD Psychology Department Climate Committee Member	2020-202
UCSD Psychology Department Graduate Statistics Advisor	2019-202
UCSD Psychology Student Speaker Series Graduate Student Officer	2019-202
UCSD Graduate Students GradAMP Mentor	2020-202
UCSD Psychology Data Science Club Club Leader	2019-202
UCSD Psychology Colloquium Series Graduate Student Officer	2019-20.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Ad hoc reviewer: Cognitive Science, Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition