GEOFFREY NEWMAN

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EDUCATION

2008 - Present PhD Candidate, Biomedical Engineering (Expected Summer 2015)

Johns Hopkins University (JHU) - Baltimore, Maryland

2004 – 2008 Bachelor of Engineering, Biomedical Engineering

City College of New York (CCNY) - New York City, New York

Minor: Applied Mathematics

GPA: 3.6/4.0

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant - JHU. Brain Computer Interface, PI: Nitish Thakor, 2008 - Present

- Employed graph theory and signal processing techniques to solve neuroscience problems
- Utilized machine learning techniques to decode movement intent from neural recordings

Research Assistant – CCNY. Eye Movement and Vision, PI: Jay Edelman, 2006 – 2008

- Investigated movement planning of saccades via eye tracking data and non-invasive neural recordings
- Created a graphical user interface to simplify data preprocessing

TEACHING ACTIVITES

2011 - 2012 Teaching Assistant, Johns Hopkins University

- Biomedical Instrumentation: Assisted 10 groups of 4 students in circuit design and debugging, in addition to Computer Aided Design
- System Bioengineering Neuroscience: Led weekly recitation for 50 students

2004 - 2006 Peer-Led Team Learning Project - Workshop Leader, City College of New York

- Guided classes of 6-12 undergraduate students through chemistry problems
- Taught generally applicable problem solving strategies
- Encouraged teamwork and participation

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- CAD of Digital VLSI
- Matrix Analysis
- Learning Theory
- Neuroscience
- Introduction to Data Science (Coursera)

- Digital Signal Processing
- Wavelets and Filter Banks
- Filtering and Smoothing
- Random Signals
- Statistical Theory

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Newman G, Fifer M, Benz H, Crone N, Thakor N, "Eigenvector centrality reveals the time course of task-specific electrode connectivity in human ECoG." Conference proceedings: IEEE EMBS Neural Engineering Conference. Apr, 2015. (In Publication).

Newman G, Aggarwal V, Schieber M, Thakor N, "Identifying neuron communities during a reach and grasp task using an unsupervised clustering analysis." Conference proceedings: Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society. Aug, 2011: 6401-4.

Kelly S, Foxe J, **Newman G**, Edelman J, "Prepare for conflict: EEG correlates of the anticipation of target competition during overt and covert shifts of visual attention." European Journal of Neuroscience. May, 2010: 31, 1690-1700.

HONORS / AWARDS

2008 - 2010 NIH Neuroengineering Training Initiative Training Fellowship

2008 Howard Hughes Undergraduate Research Award

2004 - 2008 Whitaker Foundation Undergraduate Research Scholarship

Journal Experience: Medical & Biological Engineering & Computing – Assistant Managing Editor(2013 – Present), Reviewer (2014-Present)

Computer Skills: Matlab, C++, Java, LaTeX, Python, R, Qt, HTML, Photoshop/GIMP, Linux, Cloud Computing (Amazon EC2, S3, Map Reduce), SQL, Cadence VLSI design tool, PTC Creo, SolidWorks, AutoCAD

Affiliations: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Society for Neuroscience (SfN), Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honors Society (TBP)