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### EDUCATION

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA USA

*Ph.D., Computer Science*

May 2020

**Research:** Impacts of Predictive Text on Writing Content

**Advisor:** Krzysztof Z. Gajos, Intelligent Interactive Systems group

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA USA

*S.M., Media Arts and Sciences (MIT Media Lab)*

February 2010

**Research:** natural-language code search, commonsense reasoning

**Advisor:** Henry Lieberman, Software Agents Group, MIT Media Lab

**Cornell University**, Ithaca, NY USA

*B.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, magna cum laude*

June 2007

### CONFERENCE AND JOURNAL PAPERS

K.C. Arnold, K. Chauncey, and K.Z. Gajos. **Predictive text encourages predictable writing.** *IUI* 2020.

K.C. Arnold, K. Chauncey, and K.Z. Gajos. **Sentiment bias in predictive text recommendations results in biased writing.** *Graphics Interface (GI)* 2018.

K.C. Arnold, A. Kalai, and K.Z. Gajos. **On Suggesting Phrases vs. Predicting Words for Mobile Text Composition.** *UIST* 2016.

K.C. Arnold, K. Chang, and A. Kalai. **Counterfactual Language Model Adaptation for Suggesting Phrases.** *IJCNLP* 2017.

K.E. Boronow, H.P. Susmann, K.Z. Gajos, R.A. Rudel, K.C. Arnold, P. Brown, R. Morello-Frosch, L. Havas, J.G. Brody. **DERBI: a digital method to help researchers offer “right-to-know” personal exposure results.** *Environmental health perspectives*, vol. 125 no. 2, 2017.

K. Siangliulue, K.C. Arnold, K.Z. Gajos, and S. P. Dow. **Toward Collaborative Ideation at Scale: Leveraging Ideas from Others to Generate More Creative and Diverse Ideas.** *CSCW* 2015.

C-Z. Huang, D. Duvenaud, K.C. Arnold, B. Partridge, J.W. Oberholtzer, and K. Z. Gajos. **Active learning of intuitive control knobs for synthesizers using Gaussian processes.** *IUI* 2014.

K.C. Arnold and H. Lieberman. **Managing Ambiguity in Programming by Finding Unambiguous Examples.** *Object oriented programming systems languages and applications*, *OOPSLA* 2010.

K. Gold, C. Havasi, M. Anderson, and K.C. Arnold. **Comparing Matrix Decomposition Methods for Meta-analysis and Reconstruction of Cognitive Neuroscience Results.** *Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society Conference, FLAIRS* 2011.

R. Speer, J. Krishnamurthy, C. Havasi, D. Smith, H. Lieberman, K.C. Arnold. **An interface for targeted collection of common sense knowledge using a mixture model.** *IUI* 2009.

N.E. Huang, Z. Wu, S.R. Long, K.C. Arnold, X. Chen, K. Blank. **On Instantaneous Frequency.** *Advances in adaptive data analysis*, vol 1 issue 2, Dec. 2009.

POSTERS AND  
WORKSHOP  
PAPERS

- K.C. Arnold. **AI and Writing: Do we speak the words of stochastic parrots?**. *Journal and Proceedings of the Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences*, 2022.
- K.C. Arnold, \*A. M. Volzer, and \*N. G. Madrid. **Generative Models can Help Writers without Writing for Them**. *IUI Workshop on Human-AI Co-Creation with Generative Models*, 2021.
- K.C. Arnold and K.Z. Gajos. **Effective Interactions for Personalizing Spatial Visualizations of Collections**. *UIST 2015*.
- K.C. Arnold and H. Lieberman. **Embracing Ambiguity**. *FSE/SDP Workshop on the Future of Software Engineering Research*, 2010.
- K.C. Arnold and H. Lieberman. **Scruffy Cross-Domain Inference**. *AAAI Fall Symposium on Common Sense Knowledge*, 2010.
- J.B. Alonso, K.C. Arnold, and C. Havasi. **Envisioning a Robust, Scalable Metacognitive Architecture Built on Dimensionality Reduction**. *AAAI-10 Workshop on Metacognition for Robust Social Systems*, 2010.
- C. Havasi, R. Speer, K.C. Arnold, H. Lieberman, J. Alonso, J. Moeller. **Open Mind Common Sense: Crowd-sourcing for Common Sense**. *AAAI-10 Workshop on Collaboratively-Built Knowledge Sources and Artificial Intelligence*, 2010.
- K.C. Arnold **Reusing Code by Reasoning About its Purpose**. Master’s thesis, MIT, 2010.
- D. Smith and K.C. Arnold. **Learning hierarchical plans by reading simple English narratives**. *Commonsense Workshop at the ACM International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (IUI)*, 2009.

Indicates \*undergraduate student researcher.

TALKS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Panelist at Philosophy Club roundtable discussion on AI, February 2023
- “ChatGPT is not Magic” talk at Big Data Ignite meetup, January 2023
- “AI and Writing: Laziness or Thoughtfulness?” talk at Association of Christians in the Mathematical Sciences (ACMS) conference, June 2022
- Ceballos-Zapata, Abraham, Arnold, K.C., and \*McCallion, Emma, “Future Visions in Language Pedagogy”, talk at Calvin World Languages Forum, Spring 2021
- Kenneth C. Arnold. *Faithful Text Prediction*. Christian Courier, September 13, 2021.
- J. Nathan Matias, Lydia Manikonda, Scott Hale, Kenneth C. Arnold. *Artificial Intelligence in Christian Thought and Practice*. <https://medium.com/ai-and-christianity/artificial-intelligence-in-christian-thought-and-practice-20ec8635a94f>. 2017

PATENTS

- From my internship at Microsoft Research:*  
**Interactive context-based text completions**. Kenneth C. Arnold, Kai-Wei Chang, Adam Tauman Kalai. (US20180101599A1, pending).
- From my internship at IBM (all list inventors as: Jacob C. Albertson, Kenneth C. Arnold, Steven D. Goldman, Michael A. Paolini, Anthony J. Sessa):*  
**Controlling resource access based on user gesturing in a 3D captured image stream of the user**. (US7971156 issued Jun, 28 2011).

Informing a user of gestures made by others out of the user's line of sight. (US7725547 issued May, 25 2010).

Tracking a range of body movement based on 3D captured image streams of a user. (US7840031 issued Nov, 23 2010).

Warning a vehicle operator of unsafe operation behavior based on a 3D captured image stream. (US7792328 issued Sep, 7 2010).

Controlling a document based on user behavioral signals detected from a 3D captured image stream. (US7877706 issued Jan 25, 2011).

Controlling a system based on user behavioral signals detected from a 3D captured image stream. (US7801332 issued Sep, 21 2010).

Warning a user about adverse behaviors of others within an environment based on a 3D captured image stream. (US8269834 issued Sep 18, 2012).

Adjusting a consumer experience based on a 3D captured image stream of a consumer response. (US8295542 issued Oct 23, 2012).

## TEACHING

**Calvin University**  
Assistant Professor

Aug 2019–present

- CS 108 *Introduction to Computing*
- CS 106 *Introduction to Scientific Computing and Modeling*
- DATA 202 *Data Wrangling and Predictive Analytics*
- DATA 303 *Applied Modeling and Visualization*
- CS 344 *Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning*
- INFO 602 *Predictive Analytics*
- informal “bootcamp” on deep learning and web development technology
- Senior Project mentoring
- Assisted in the development and launch of a new Masters in Data Science program

**CS 109A: Introduction to Data Science**, Harvard University  
*Teaching Fellow (with Pavlos Protopapas and Kevin Rader)*

Fall 2018

**CS 282r: Decision-Making Under Uncertainty**, Harvard University  
*Teaching Fellow (with Prof. Finale Doshi-Velez)*

Spring 2015

**CS 179: Design of Usable Interactive Systems**, Harvard University  
*Teaching Fellow (with Prof. Krzysztof Z. Gajos)*

Spring 2013

**CS 314: Computer Organization**, Cornell University  
*Head Consultant (with Prof. Sally A. McKee)*

Spring 2006

**Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth**, St. Mary's City, MD USA  
*Computer Science Teaching Assistant*

Summer 2005

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Microsoft Research New England**, Cambridge, MA USA  
*Research Internship*

Fall 2015

**Luminoso**, Cambridge, MA USA  
*Co-founder, Researcher, Developer*

2011 and Summer 2013

**MIT Media Lab**, Cambridge, MA USA  
*Research Assistant*

August 2007–August 2011

**IBM**, Austin, TX USA  
*Extreme Blue Intern*

Summer 2006

**NASA Goddard Space Flight Center**, Greenbelt, MD USA  
*Nonlinear Signal Analysis Research Programmer*

Summer 2003 and 2004

#### MENTORING

- Undergraduate Summer Researchers: 2020 (2 students), 2022 (4 students), 2023 (7 students)
- Computer Science Senior Projects: 2023–24 (2 students), 2022–23 (2 students on 1 project), 2021–22 (7 students on 2 projects), 2020–21: (2 students on 1 project), 2019–20 (1 student)

#### REVIEWING

ACM SIGCSE TS (2023), ACM CSCW (2022), Workshop on Intelligent and Interactive Writing Assistants (2022, 2023), Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction (ACM ToCHI) (2021), NSF Panelist (2021), ACM CHI (2012, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021), IUI (2012, 2014), UIST (2020), IEEE Intelligent Systems (2012), Journal of Statistics Education (JSE) (2020). International Journal of Christian Education (IJCE) (2023). Awarded “Special recognition” for CHI 2017 reviewing.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- New City Fellowship (Grand Rapids): sound reinforcement, livestream video production, singing in choir, facilities logistics (2020–present)
- Citylife Presbyterian Church (Boston): sound reinforcement, video production, operations and logistics, diaconal service (2011–2019)
- Indigitous Global Hackathon for Christian Missions, Boston site (2016): organizer
- **Student group leadership:** Harvard Aikido club, MIT Graduate Christian Fellowship, MIT Cross Products (a cappella group)
- Teaching with MIT’s Educational Studies Program (2007, 2010).
- Teaching with [Clubes de Ciencia](#) Ensenada, Summer 2016: Deep Learning and Remote Sensing
- **Student Volunteer:** CHI 2014