

# KEVIN ROS

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**

*Beginning September 2020*

Ph.D. in Computer Science (Data and Information Science)

**Vassar College** (GPA: 3.83)

*September 2016 - May 2020*

B.A. in Computer Science

B.A. in Mathematics

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Undergraduate Thesis**

September 2019 - May 2020

*Primary Advisor: Dr. Nancy Ide, Vassar College*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Topic: Using word embeddings from PubMed abstracts and literature-based discovery techniques to discover non-explicit relationships between mental illnesses and symptoms.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant**

January 2019 - Present

*Vassar College*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Currently working with Dr. Nancy Ide and Keith Suderman to improve the document retrieval and ranking system for The Language Application Grid Question/Answer Service.

**Independent Study**

September 2017 - Present

*Vassar College*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Conducted research with Dr. Pavel Naumov to study soundness and completeness properties of multi-agent axiomatic systems with a probabilistic aspect. This work has led to three articles, listed in the "Publications" section below. Currently focusing on knowledge and comprehension in multi-agent systems.

**REU Summer Research Program**

May 2019 - September 2019

*Vassar College, funded by NSF*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Worked with Dr. Nancy Ide and Keith Suderman to optimize The Language Application (LAPPS) Grid Question/Answer service with RabbitMQ and Docker. Implementation can be found at <http://services.lappsgrid.org/eager/ask>.

**Independent Study**

September 2018 - December 2018

*Vassar College*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Conducted research for Dr. Nancy Ide to extract information and trends from published geology research articles, specifically focusing on the relationships between mineral level and epochs.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**TA, Introduction to Data Science**

May 2019 - August 2019

*Vassar College (Liberal Arts Collaborative for Digital Innovation)*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Guided students with little mathematics experience through the foundations of data science while working closely with professors and other TAs to ensure that no student fell behind. Also aided in course material development, evaluation, and deployment.

## PUBLICATIONS

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P. Naumov, K. Ros, Logic of Knowledge and Comprehension. Submitted for publication.

P. Naumov, K. Ros, Strategic Coalitions in Stochastic Games, arXiv:1910.04489. Submitted for publication.

P. Naumov, K. Ros, Strategic Coalitions in Systems with Catastrophic Failures (extended abstract), 16th International Conference on Principles of Knowledge Representation and Reasoning (KR 18), Tempe, Arizona, USA, October 30-November 2, 2018.

## PRESENTATIONS

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Replicating Bayesian Distributional Word Embeddings, Poster, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York, USA, May 7, 2019.

Strategic Coalitions in Systems with Catastrophic Failures, Poster, 16th International Conference on Principles of Knowledge Representation and Reasoning (KR 18), Tempe, Arizona, USA, October 30 - November 2, 2018.

## PROJECTS

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### **Replicating Bayesian Word Embeddings**

March 2019 - June 2019

*Vassar College, Bayesian Statistics (MATH 347)*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Replicated and verified the results of a word embedding method which implemented the Bayesian Skip-Gram method to generate the word vectors. The final paper can be found here:

<https://kevinros.github.io/pub/2018bayesian.pdf>

### **Database of Line Arrangements**

May 2018 - August 2018

*Vassar College*

*Poughkeepsie, NY*

Built a front-end and back-end for a database of 11-dimensional line arrangements, using HTML/CSS, PHP, and MySQL.

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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### **Computer Languages**

Python, JAVA, R, C, PHP

### **Databases**

MySQL

### **Tools**

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Emacs, RabbitMQ, Docker, Springboot

## AWARDS

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### **Sigma Xi**

2020

For research achievement and potential.

### **Departmental Honors**

2020

Computer Science, Mathematics.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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### **Vassar Men's Volleyball Team**

September 2016 - May 2020

AVCA All-American, 2020  
Team Captain, 2018 - 2020