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Education

- 2016 **Ph.D. Brain and Cognitive Sciences**, *University of Rochester*, Rochester, NY.
Perception in a Variable but Structured World: The Case of Speech Perception. Committee: T. Florian Jaeger (advisor), Richard Aslin, Lori Holt, Jeffrey Runner (chair)
- 2009 **B.A. Mathematics, concentration Cognitive Science**, *Williams College*, Williamstown, MA,
Summa cum laude, highest honors in Cognitive Science.
Senior thesis advisor: Safa Zaki

Appointments

- 2018 **Assistant Professor of Psychology and Center for Cognitive Science**, *Rutgers University*, New Brunswick.
- 2016–2018 **C.V. Starr Fellow**, *Princeton Neuroscience Institute*.
- 2009–2010 **Baggett Fellow**, *University of Maryland, Linguistics Department*.
Post-baccalaureate research fellowship. Advised by Bill Idsardi.
- 2006–2009 **Research Assistant**, *Williams College, Department of Psychology*.
Supervised by Safa Zaki.

Publications

Papers

- 2019 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** Structure in talker variability: How much is there and how much can it help? *Language, Cognition and Neuroscience*, 34(1), 43–68. doi:10.1080/23273798.2018.1500698
- 2018 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, Weatherholtz, K., & Jaeger, T. F. Sociolinguistic perception as inference under uncertainty. *Topics in Cognitive Science*, 10(4), 818–834. doi:10.1111/tops.12331
- 2016 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, & Jaeger, T. F. Re-examining selective adaptation: Fatiguing feature detectors, or distributional learning? *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 23(3), 678–691. doi:10.3758/s13423-015-0943-z
- Pajak, B., Fine, A. B., **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, & Jaeger, T. F. Learning additional languages as hierarchical probabilistic inference: Insights from first language processing. *Language Learning*, 66(4), 900–944. doi:10.1111/lang.12168
- 2015 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, & Jaeger, T. F. Robust speech perception: Recognize the familiar, generalize to the similar, and adapt to the novel. *Psychological Review*, 122(2). doi:10.1037/a0038695
- 2014 Salverda, A. P., **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, & Tanenhaus, M. K. Immediate effects of anticipatory coarticulation in spoken-word recognition. *Journal of Memory and Language*, 71(1), 145–163. doi:10.1016/j.jml.2013.11.002
- Zaki, S. R., & **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** Procedural memory effects in categorization: Evidence for multiple systems or task complexity? *Memory & cognition*, 42(3), 508–24. doi:10.3758/s13421-013-0375-9
- 2011 Croft, W., Bhattacharya, T., **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, Smith, D. E., & Jaeger, T. F. Greenbergian universals, diachrony, and statistical analyses. *Linguistic Typology*, 15(2), 433–453. doi:10.1515/LITY.2011.029

Submitted and in preparation

- in preparation **Kleinschmidt, D. F.**, & Jaeger, T. F. *Inferring listeners' prior beliefs about unfamiliar talkers*. doi:10.13140/RG.2.1.3803.4405

Kleinschmidt, D. F., Raizada, R., & Jaeger, T. F. *Neural mechanisms of rapid adaptation to unfamiliar talkers via distributional learning.*

submitted **Wu, M.-H., Kleinschmidt, D. F., Emberson, L. L., Doko, D., Edelman, S., Jacobs, R., & Raizada, R. D. S.** *Cortical transformation of stimulus-space in order to linearize a linearly inseparable task.*

Refereed Proceedings Papers

- 2019 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Hemmer, P.** A Bayesian model of memory in a multi-context environment. In A. Goel, C. Seifert, & C. Freksa (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 41st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*, Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society. osf.io/vuksn/
- 2018 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** Learning distributions as they come: Particle filter models for online distributional learning of phonetic categories. In T. T. Rogers, X. Rau, X. Zhu, & C. Kalish (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 40th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society* (pp. 1933–1938). doi:10.31234/osf.io/dymc8
- 2016 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** What do you expect from an unfamiliar talker? In J. Trueswell, A. Papafragou, D. Grodner, & D. Mirman (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 38th annual meeting of the cognitive science society*, Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society.
- 2015 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., Raizada, R., & Jaeger, T. F.** Supervised and unsupervised learning in phonetic adaptation. In R. Dale, C. Jennings, P. Maglio, T. Matlock, D. Noelle, A. Warlaumont, & J. Yoshimi (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 37th annual conference of the cognitive science society*, Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society.
- 2012 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., Fine, A. B., & Jaeger, T. F.** A belief-updating model of adaptation and cue combination in syntactic comprehension. In N. Miyake, D. Peebles, & R. P. Cooper (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 34th annual conference of the cognitive science society* (pp. 599–604). Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society.
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** A continuum of phonetic adaptation: Evaluating an incremental belief-updating model of recalibration and selective adaptation. In N. Miyake, D. Peebles, & R. P. Cooper (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 34th annual conference of the cognitive science society* (pp. 605–10). Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society.
- 2011 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** A Bayesian belief updating model of phonetic recalibration and selective adaptation. In *Proceedings of the 2nd ACL workshop on cognitive modeling and computational linguistics*, Stroudsburg, PA: Association for Computational Linguistics.

Presentations

- 2019 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Who's talking and what are they saying?* Talk presented at the 177th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Louisville, KY. osf.io/jt5wm/
- Knutsen, S., Stromswold, K., & Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Segmental duration as a cue to sentence structure.* Poster presented at the 32nd CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, Boulder, CO. osf.io/pmzes/
- Knutsen, S., Stromswold, K., & Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Segmental duration as a cue to sentence structure.* Poster presented at the 177th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Louisville, KY. osf.io/na84g/
- 2018 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *A formula for bridging the table-matrix divide.* Talk presented at JuliaCon2018, London, UK. www.davekleinschmidt.com/juliacon2018/slides.html
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Hemmer, P.** *A sequential Bayesian model for learning and memory in multi-context environments.* Talk presented at the 51st annual meeting of the Society for Mathematical Psychology, Madison, WI. www.davekleinschmidt.com/dots-contexts-recall-prediction/mathpsych-2018-slides.slides.html
- 2017 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *The ideal adapter: Life-long, hierarchical distributional learning.* Talk presented at ICON symposium "Models of category formation and adaptation: distributional learning of speech and language", Amsterdam, NL.
- 2016 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** *What do you expect from an unfamiliar talker?* Talk presented at the conference on Sociolinguistic Variation and Language Processing, Blacksburg, VA.

- Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** *What do you expect from an unfamiliar talker?* Talk presented at LabPhon15, Ithaca, NY.
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., Raizada, R., & Jaeger, T. F.** *Neural mechanisms for coping with talker variability by rapid distributional learning.* Talk presented at the Society for the Neurobiology of Language meeting, London, UK.
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., Weatherholtz, K., & Jaeger, T. F.** *How informative is dialect about vowel distributions?* Poster presented at the LabPhon15 workshop on higher-order structure in speech variability, Ithaca, NY.
- 2015 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., Jaeger, T. F., & Raizada, R.** *Informativity in adaptation: Supervised and unsupervised learning of linguistic cue distributions.* Poster presented at the 28th Annual CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2014 **Jaeger, T. F., & Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Efficient language understanding in a variable world: Prediction and adaptation.* Talk jointly presented at the 21st Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Boston, MA.
- Jaeger, T. F., & Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Speech perception and adaptation as inference under uncertainty.* Plenary talk jointly presented at the 15th Australasian International Speech Science and Technology Conference, Christchurch, NZ.
- 2013 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** *Speech perception, the lack of invariance, and adaptation: A computational level analysis.* Poster presented at the Workshop on Current Issues and Methods in Speaker Adaptation, Columbus, OH.
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** *Speech perception, the lack of invariance, and adaptation: A computational level analysis.* Poster presented at the LSA Institute 2013 Workshop: How the brain accommodates variability in linguistic representations, Columbus, OH.
- Salverda, A. P., Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Tanenhaus, M. K.** *Immediate effects of anticipatory coarticulation in spoken-word recognition.* Talk presented at the 54th Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Toronto, ON, Canada.
- 2012 **Kleinschmidt, D. F., Fine, A. B., & Jaeger, T. F.** *A Bayesian belief-updating model of syntactic expectation adaptation.* Poster presented at the 25th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, New York, NY.
- Kleinschmidt, D. F., & Jaeger, T. F.** *Evaluation of a Bayesian belief-updating model for the time course of linguistic adaptation.* Poster presented at the 25th CUNY Sentence Processing Conference, New York, NY.
- 2011 **Zaki, S. R., & Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Response location effects in categorization: Evidence for multiple systems or task complexity?* Poster presented at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Seattle, WA.
- 2010 **Kleinschmidt, D. F.** *Efficient coding of speech in the auditory cortex.* Poster presented at the 2nd Annual Neurobiology of Language Conference, San Diego, CA.

Invited Talks

- 2019 **Integrated Language Science and Technology Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, October 25, 2019.**
- Cognition and Language Workshop, Stanford University, May 9, 2019.**
- Exploring the interface between linguistic processing and talker recognition, Special session of the Annual Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, May 13, 2019.**
- Cognitive Science Center Colloquium, Williams College, April 11, 2019.**
- 2018 **Cognitive Brown Bag series, Villanova University, February 8, 2018.**
- 2017 **Psychology Dept. Perception/Action/Cognition seminar, University of Connecticut, October 30, 2017.**
- 2014 **New Zealand Institute of Language, Brain, and Behavior Seminar, University of Canterbury, December 9, 2014.**
- Cognition and Language Workshop, Stanford University, October 2, 2014.**

Psychology Department Seminar, *Carnegie Melon University*, July 22, 2014.

Language Processing Brown Bag Seminar, *Beckman Institute, University of Illinois*, March 6, 2014.

Cognitive Science Colloquium, *Tufts University*, February 13, 2014.

Internal

2019 **Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science Colloquium**, *Rutgers, New Brunswick*, April 23, 2019.

Teaching

Rutgers University

2019 **Language and Cognition**, *Rutgers New Brunswick*, Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science.

Sensation and Perception, *Rutgers New Brunswick*, Psychology.

2018 **Advanced Topics II "Perception in a variable world"**, *Rutgers New Brunswick*, Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science.

University of Rochester

2013 **Teaching assistant: Foundations of Cognitive Science**, *University of Rochester*.

2011–2012 **Teaching assistant: Cognition**, *University of Rochester*.

Williams College

2009 **Teaching assistant: Ergodic Theory**, *Williams College*.

Mentoring

PhD supervision

2018–*present* Sten Knutsen, Psychology (primary advisor).

2018 Gwendolyn Rehrig, Psychology (committee member).

Masters supervision

2019 Yarkin Ergin, Rutgers Psychology (committee member).

2019 Joseph Sommer, Rutgers Psychology (committee member).

Undergraduate supervision

2012 Supervised three University of Rochester undergraduate independent study students (jointly with one other graduate student).

Honors and Awards

- **Outstanding Dissertation Award (Natural Sciences)**, University of Rochester, 2017

- **Glushko Prize for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertations/theses in Cognitive Science**, Cognitive Science Society, 2017

- **Highest rated student abstract**, 2016 Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language

- **NIH F31 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Individual Pre-doctoral Fellowship**, 2015–2016.

- **Best student presentation**, 2013 LSA Summer Institute Workshop: "How the brain accommodates variability in linguistic representations".

- **Best student talk**, 2011 Architectures and Mechanisms of Language Processing (AMLaP) Conference.

- **National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship**, 2010–2014.

- **Sproull Fellowship**, University of Rochester, 2010–2015.

- **Baggett Fellowship**, University of Maryland Linguistics Department post-bac. research fellowship, 2009–2010.

- Member, **Phi Beta Kappa** honors society, inducted 2008.
- **Dean's List**, Williams College, 2005–2009.
- **Tyng Scholarship**, Williams College, 2005–2009.
- **National Merit Scholar**, 2005.
- Maine Educational Association **Clyde Russel Scholarship**, 2005.

Service

Statistics outreach

I've worked to advance statistical literacy among cognitive scientists, psychologists, and linguists, via presentations at workshops and tutorials on statistical methods.

- 2016–2018 Weekly statistics workshops for Princeton Neuroscience Institute graduate students and postdocs (jointly with Mike Shvartsman)
- 2014 Tutorial on simulation-based methods for understanding mixed models. *SST 2014 Tutorial: Regression and mixed effects models*
- 2013 Co-organized UR BCS Department statistics and data analysis working group with Steve Piantadosi.
- 2011 *Preparing data for analysis using R*, presentation with Alex B. Fine at University of Rochester BCS workshop on mixed-effects regression analysis for cognitive scientists.
- 2010 *ANOVA and Mixed-Effects Models in R for Language Scientists*, presentation at University of Maryland Linguistics Dept. Winter Storm language sciences workshop.

Open source software

I've contributed to a number of open source software projects. I've made substantial contributions to:

- **StatsModels.jl**: Primary maintainer and developer of StatsModels.jl, the statistical modeling package for the Julia language, which provides a familiar “formula language” for specifying regression models, contrast coding for categorical variables, etc.
- **Gadfly.jl**: Data visualization in Julia, based on the grammar of graphics.

And contributed minor bug fixes and improvements to **Weave.jl** (knitr-like functionality for Julia), **latexdiff**, **lolcommits**, a node.js **mturk API**, and **FAAV/FAVE**.

Reviewing

Ad hoc reviewer for *Acta Psychologica*; *Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*; *Attention, Perception, & Psychophysics*; *Cognition*; *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*; *Journal of Experimental Psychology*; *Journal of Laboratory Phonology*; *Journal of Memory & Language*; *Language*; *Language and Cognitive Processes*; *MIT Press*; *NSF SBE*; *PLoS One*; *Psychonomic Bulletin and Review*; and *Topics in Cognitive Science*