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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Collaborative Human-AI systems
- Hybrid AI architectures
- Cognitive architectures & agents
- Human cognition: decision making, behavior, and learning

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• AI for social good and public welfare

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2009-2015	Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science & Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Dissertation: From Verbs to Tasks: An Integrated Account of Learning Task Knowledge from Situated Interactive Instruction  Committee: John Laird (Chair), Edmund Durfee, Edwin Olson, Rick Lewis, Andrea Hartzler (external member)
2008-2009	Master of Science & Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
2003-2007	Bachelor of Engineering, Instrumentation & Control Engineering Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi University, New Delhi
EMPLOYMENT	
2019-present	Senior Member of Research Staff, Palo Alto Research Center
2015-2019	Member of Research Staff, Palo Alto Research Center
2014-2015	Postdoctoral Researcher, Palo Alto Research Center
2007-2008	Software Engineer, Yahoo! Research & Development, India
FUNDING	
2021-	In preparation: National Science Foundation (NSF) - National Artificial Intelligence Research Institutes (Theme 1 - Human-AI Interaction and Collaboration)  Collaborator, Advancing Human-AI Collaboration through Longitudinal Interaction
2021-2022	Proposed: Defense Advance Research Projects Agency (DARPA) - Non-Escalatory Engagements for Reducing Dimensionality (NEED) \$1M Key Personnel, De-Escalalate Force with Unmanned System Engagement Reasoning (Defuser)
2020-2024	Defense Advance Research Projects Agency (DARPA) - Science of Artificial Intelligence and Learning for Open-world Novelty (Sail-On) \$4M Key Personnel, Hypothesis-Guided Model Revision over Multiple Aligned Representations (Hydra).
2019-2021	Defense Advance Research Projects Agency (DARPA) - Grounded Artificial Intelligence Language Acquisition (Gaila) \$1M Principal Investigator, Advanced Cognitive Learning for Embodied Language (Aileen)
2018-2019	Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) \$300K Co-Principal Investigator, Levels of Learning in Natural and Artificial Agents
2015-2018	Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) \$2.18M Key Personnel, Collaborative Optimization and Planning for Transportation Energy Reduction (COPTER)
2016-2017	Xerox Innovation Group (Xerox XIG) \$1M Principal Investigator, A Cognitive Approach to Long-Living Process Systems

## AWARDS & HONORS

2018 Blue Sky Award, 32<sup>nd</sup> AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence

2014 HRI Pioneer

2013 AAAI Travel Grant

2012 AAAI Doctoral Consortium Cohort

2011-2013 Rackham Travel Scholarship

2008 Best Paper Award, 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computational Linguistics and Intelligent Text

Processing

2003-2007 Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Delhi University

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Journal Articles

- [J1] **Shiwali Mohan** A Cognitive Systems Approach to Embodied Language Processing in Physical Agents. (*in preparation*)
- [J2] **Shiwali Mohan**, Matt Klenk, Matthew Shreve, Aaron Ang, Kent Evans, John Maxwell. Analogical Concept Memory for Architectures Implementing the Common Model of Cognition. (under review). Advances in Cognitive Systems. 2020.
- [J3] **Shiwali Mohan**. Exploring the Role of Common Model of Cognition in Designing Adaptive Coaching Interactions for Health Behavior Change (*in press*). ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems. 2020.
- [J4] John Laird and **Shiwali Mohan**. A Case Study of Knowledge Integration Across Multiple Memories in Soar. Common Model of Cognition Bulletin, 1(1), 32-38. (Reprint in 2020)
- [J5] **Shiwali Mohan**, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Andrea Hartzler. Observations from Deploying an Intelligent Interactive Health Coach to Promote Aerobic Exercise. ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems. 2020.
- [J6] **Shiwali Mohan**, Hesham Rakha, Matthew Klenk. Acceptable Planning: Influencing Individual Behavior to Reduce Transportation Energy Expenditure of a City. Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research. 2019.
- [J7] Aaron Springer, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, **Shiwali Mohan**, Les Nelson, Michael Silva, Peter Pirolli. Leveraging Self-Affirmation to Increase mHealth Behavior Change. *Journal of Medical Information Research*. 2018.
- [J8] Peter Pirolli, **Shiwali Mohan**, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Len Nelson, Michael Silva, Aaron Springer. *Journal of Medical Information Research*. 2017.
- [J9] John E Laird, Kevin Gluck, John Anderson, Kenneth D Forbus, Odest Chadwicke Jenkins, Christian Lebiere, Dario Salvucci, Matthias Scheutz, Andrea Thomaz, Greg Trafton, Robert E Wray, Shiwali Mohan, James R Kirk. Interactive Task Learning. IEEE Intelligent Systems, Volume 32, Issue 4, IEEE 2017.
- [J10] **Shiwali Mohan**, Aaron Mininger, and John Laird. Towards an Indexical Model of Situated Comprehension for Real-World Cognitive Agents. *Advances in Cognitive Systems* 3, ACS 2014.
- [J11] John Laird and **Shiwali Mohan**. A Case Study of Knowledge Integration Across Multiple Memories in Soar. *Biologically Inspired Cognitive Architectures* (invited), BICA 2014.
- [J12] **Shiwali Mohan**, Aaron Mininger, James Kirk, and John Laird. Acquiring Grounded Representations of Words with Situated Interactive Instruction. *Advances in Cognitive Systems* 2, ACS 2012.

**Book Chapters** 

- [B1] John Laird, **Shiwali Mohan**, James Kirk, Aaron Mininger. The Learning Problem in Interactive Task Learning. Ernst Strunngman Forum Interactive Task Learning Agents, Robots, and Humans and Acquiring New Tasks through Natural Interaction. Eds. Kevin Gluck and John Laird. 2019.
- [B2] Dario Salvucci, John Laird, Fredrick Chang, Kenneth Forbus, Parisa Kordjamshidi, Tom Mitchell, **Shiwali Mohan**, Michael Spranger, S Stevenson, Andrea Stocco, Gregory Trafton.

Learning in Interactive Task Learning. Ernst Strunngman Forum - Interactive Task Learning Agents, Robots, and Humans and Acquiring New Tasks through Natural Interaction. Eds. Kevin Gluck and John Laird. 2019.

Conference

- [C1] Preeti Ramaraj, Charlie Ortiz, Matthew Klenk, **Shiwali Mohan**. Unpacking Human Teachers Intentions to Design Robust Interactive Task Learning Systems. (*submitted*) alt.HRI at ACM/IEEE International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction. 2021.
- [C2] Shiwali Mohan, Matthew Klenk, Matthew Shreve, Aaron Ang, Kent Evans, John Maxwell. Characterizing a Concept Memory for Architectures Implementing the Common Model of Cognition. In Proceedings of the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems. 2020.
- [C3] Matthew Klenk, Wiktor Piotrowsky, Roni Stern, Shiwali Mohan, and Johan de Kleer. Model-Based Novelty Adaptation for Open-World AI. In Proceedings of the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems. 2020.
- [C4] **Shiwali Mohan**, Frances Yan, Victoria Bellotti, Hesham Rakha, Matthew Klenk, On Influencing Individual Behavior for Reducing Transportation Energy Expenditure in a Large Population. *In Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> AAAI/ACM Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Ethics, and Society*. AIES 2019.
- [C5] John Laird and **Shiwali Mohan**. Learning Fast and Slow: Levels of Learning in General Autonomous Intelligent Agents. *In Proceedings of the* 32<sup>nd</sup> AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence. AAAI 2018. Blue Sky Award.
- [C6] **Shiwali Mohan**, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Michael Silva, and Peter Pirolli. On Designing a Social Coach to Promote Regular Aerobic Exercise. *In the Proceedings of the 29th Annual Conference on Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence/AAAI*, IAAI 2017.
- [C7] Justin Li, Steven Jones, **Shiwali Mohan**, and Nate Derbinksy. Architectural Mechanisms for Mitigating Uncertainty during Long-Term Declarative Knowledge Access. *In the Proceedings of the 4th Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems*, ACS 2016.
- [C8] Andrea L Hartzler\*, Anusha Venkatakrishnan\*, Shiwali Mohan, Michael Silva, Paula Lozano, James D Ralston, Evette Ludman, Dori Rosenberg, Katherine M Newton, Lester Nelson, Peter Pirolli. Acceptability of a Team-Based Mobile Health (mHealth) Application for Lifestlye Self-Management in Individuals with Chronic Illnesses. In 38<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference of the Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBC), IEEE. 2016.
- [C9] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Learning Goal-Oriented Hierarchical Tasks from Situated Interactive Instruction. *In the Proceedings of the* 28<sup>th</sup> *AAAI Conference*, AAAI 2014.
- [C10] **Shwali Mohan!**, Aaron Mininger, and John Laird. Towards an Indexical Model of Situated Language Comprehension for Real-World Cognitive Agents. *In Proceedings of the Second Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems*. 2013.
- [C11] **Shiwali Mohan**, James Kirk, and John Laird. A Computational Model of Situated Task Learning with Interactive Instruction. *In Proceedings of the* 17<sup>th</sup> *International Conference on Computational Modeling*, ICCM 2013.
- [C12] **Shiwali Mohan**, James Kirk, Aaron Mininger, and John Laird. Acquiring Grounded Representations of Wordswith Situated Interactive Instruction. *In Proceedings of the First Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems*. 2012.
- [C13] Mandar Joshi, Rakesh Khobragade, Saurabh Sarda, Umesh Deshpande, and Shiwali Mohan. Object-Oriented Representation and Hierarchical Reinforcement Learning in Infinite Mario. In Proceedings of the 24<sup>th</sup> IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence, ICTAI 2012.
- [C14] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. An Object-Oriented Approach to Reinforcement Learning in an Action Game. *In Proceedings of the 7<sup>th</sup> Artificial Intelligence for Interactive Digital Entertainment Conference*, AIIDE 2011.
- [C15] Niladri Chatterjee and **Shiwali Mohan**. Discovering Word Senses from Text using Random Indexing. *In Proceedings of the* 9<sup>th</sup> *International Conference on Computational linguistics and Intelligent Text Processing*, CICLing 2008. Best Paper Award.

[C16] Niladri Chatterjee and **Shiwali Mohan**. Extraction-based Single-Document Summarization Using Random Indexing. *In Proceeding of the* 19<sup>th</sup> *IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence*, ICTAI 2007.

Symposia, Workshops

- [W1] Ion Matei, Johan deKleer, and **Shiwali Mohan**. Interpretable Machine Learning Models: A Physics-Based View. *In Papers from the AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Physics-Guided AI*. 2020.
- [W2] Preeti Ramaraj, Matthew Klenk, **Shiwali Mohan**. Understanding Intentions in Human Teaching to Design Interactive Task Learning Robots. *In Workshops at Robotic Science and Systems*. 2020.
- [W3] **Shiwali Mohan**, Matthew Klenk, Victoria Belloti. Exploring How to Personalize Travel Mode Recommendations For Urban Transportation. *In Joint Proceedings of the ACM IUI 2019 Workshops Workshop on Theory-Informed User Modeling for Tailoring and Personalizing Interfaces (HUMANIZE).* 2019.
- [W4] **Shiwali Mohan**, Kalai Ramea, Bob Price, Matthew Shreve, Hoda Eldardiry. Building JARVIS: A Learner-Aware Conversational Trainer. *In Joint Proceedings of the ACM IUI 2019 Workshops Workshop on User-Aware Conversational Agents (user2agent)*. 2019.
- [W5] Filip Dvorak, **Shiwali Mohan**, Victoria Bellotti, Matthew Klenk. Collaborative Optimization and Planning for Transportation Energy Reduction. *ICAPS Proceedings of the 6th Workshop on Distributed and Multi-Agent Planning*. 2018.
- [W6] **Shiwali Mohan**, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Daniel Bobrow, Peter Pirolli. Health Behavior Change: A Motivating Domain for Human-Aware AI Research. *In Proceeding of the AAAI* 2017 Workshops. AAAI 2017.
- [W7] Matthew Klenk, Shiwali Mohan, Johan de Kleer, Daniel Bobrow, Tom Hinrichs, Ken Forbus. Collaborative Autonomy Through Analogical Comic Graphs. In Proceedings of AAAI 2017 Workshops. AAAI 2017.
- [W8] **Shiwali Mohan**, James Kirk, Aaron Mininger, John Laird. Agent Requirements for Effective and Efficient Task-Oriented Dialog. *In Papers from the AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Artificial Intelligence for Human-Robot Interaction*, 2015.
- [W9] John E. Laird and Shiwali Mohan. A Case Study of Knowledge Integration Across Multiple Memories in Soar. In Papers from the AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Integrated Cognition, 2013.
- [W10] **Shiwali Mohan\***, Aaron Mininger\*, James Kirk\*, and John Laird. Learning Grounded Language Through Situated Interactive Instruction. *In Papers from the AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Robots Learning Interactively from Human Teachers*, 2012.
- [W11] John Laird, Keegan Kinkade, **Shiwali Mohan**, and Joseph Xu. Cognitive Robotics Using the Soar Cognitive Architecture. *In Proceedings of the 8th International Cognitive Robotics Workshop*, 2012.
- [W12] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Situated Comprehension of Imperative Sentences in Embodied, Cognitive Agents. *In Papers from the AAAI Workshop on Grounding Language for Physical Systems*, 2012.
- [W13] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Towards Situated, Interactive, Instructable Agents in a Cognitive Architecture. *In Papers from the AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Advances in Cognitive Systems*, 2011.

Extended Abstracts

- [A1] Peter Pirolli, **Shiwali Mohan**, Rong Yang, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Michael Silva, Michael Youngblood, Ashwin Ram and Les Nelson. User Modeling and Planning for Improving Self-efficacy and Goal Adherence in mHealth. *Frontiers Public Health. Conference Abstract:* 2nd Behaviour Change Conference: Digital Health and Wellbeing., 2016.
- [A2] **Shiwali Mohan**, and John E. Laird. Learning New Tasks for Situated Interactive Instruction. *In the 2014 HRI Pioneers Workshop at Human-Robot Interaction*, 2014.
- [A<sub>3</sub>] Mandar Joshi, Rakesh Khobragade, Saurabh Sarda, Umesh Deshpande, and **Shiwali Mohan**. Hierarchical Action selection for Reinforcement Learning in Infinite Mario. *In Proceedings of*

- the 6th Starting Artificial Intelligence Research Symposium at European Conference on Artificial Intelligence, STAIRS 2012.
- [A4] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Learning Actions and Action Verbs from Human-Agent Interaction. *In Proceedings of the 26th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, AAAI 2012.
- [A5] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Exploring Mixed-Initiative Interaction for Learning with Situated Instruction in Cognitive Agents. *In Proceedings of the 26th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, AAAI 2012.
- [A6] **Shiwali Mohan** and John Laird. Relational Reinforcement Learning in Infinite Mario. *In Proceedings of the 24th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, AAAI 2010.

# INVITED TALKS, WORKSHOPS, & PANELS

May 2021 A Cognitive Approach to Interactive Robot Design. Talking Robotics.

January 2021 Technology and Society in the Next Generation: Growth, Security, and Well-Being.

October 2020 Incorporating Behavioral Economics in AI Systems for Effective Human-AI Collaborative Behavior, Aggre-

gate Intellect.

September 2020 Humans of AI, Soar Technology Incorporated.

July 2020 Humans of AI, AI Seminar at USC Information Sciences Institute

June 2020 Common Model of Cognition and Health Behavior Change, Virtual International Symposium on

Cognitive Architectures (VISCA 2020)

January 2020 Augmented Reality for Task Training, Electronic Imaging 2020

May 2019 Human-Aware AI Systems, Machine Learning and User Experience + Ladies that UX meetup group

November 2017 NSF Workshop on Interactive Cognitive Assistants

May 2017 Ernst Strunngmann Forum on Interactive Task Learning

September 2015 On Designing a Programmable Cognitive Assistant, IBM Cognitive Systems Institute

December 2013 Learning Hierarchical Tasks with Situated Interactive Instruction, Institute of Creative Technologies,

University of Southern California, Information Science Institute, University of Southern California

# STUDENTS AND INTERNS MENTORED

Supervising Preeti Ramaraj in an ongoing internship at PARC. Currently a graduate student at

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. [publications: C1, W2]

Supervised Aarathi Venkatesan as an intern at PARC. Currently, a scientist and research manager

at Vida Health Inc.

Mentored Naman Shah as an intern at PARC. Currently, a graduate student at Arizona State

University.

Advised Anant Mittal's undergraduate research at Indraprastha University, New Delhi, India.

Currently a Ph.D. student at University of Washington.

2011 Advised Mandar Joshi's undergraduate research at National Institute of Technology, Nagpur,

India. Currently a Ph.D. candidate at University of Washington. [publications: C13, A3]

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 Guest Lecturer, Artificial Intelligence, Vanderbilt University

2020 Guest Lecturer, Knowledge Representation and Reasoning, Occidental College.

Guest Lecturer, EECS 498 - Intelligent Interactive Systems, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

2012 Graduate Student Instructor, EECS 492 - Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, University of Michigan,

Ann Arbor.

#### SERVICE

AI Community Co-Chair Advances in Cognitive Systems (ACS) Led transition to an online format. Doubled conference attendance through dedicated outreach. Introduced student mentoring sessions with early career researchers and academics. Introduced academia panel to motivate community effort and resources on teaching cognitive systems topics. Introduced best student paper award for the first time. Co-Chair AAAI Doctoral Consortium (AAAI-DC) 2020-2021 2020-2021 Achieved gender parity in the 2020 cohort for the first time in over two decades. Raised funds from NSF and AIJ. Currently, leading transition to an online format and well as fundraising. Senior Program Committee, International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) 2020-present 2016-present Program Committee, Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) Program Committee, International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) 2016 Program Committee, ACM Annual Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces (ACM IUI) 2018-present 2018-present Program Committee, International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2018 Program Committee, ACM Annual Conference on Human-Robot Interaction (HRI) Program Committee, Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, Doctoral 2018-present Consortium (AAAI DC) 2018-present Program Committee, Annual Conference on Advances in Cognitive Systems (ACS) Reviewer, Advances in Cognitive Systems 2018-present Reviewer, Autonomous Robots 2019 Reviewer, ACM Transactions of Intelligent Interactive Systems Organizing Committee, Students of Cognitive Systems, Annual Conference on Advances in 2015 Cognitive Systems (ACS). **PARC** Founding Member: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiative 2020 2017-present Peer mentor 2016-present Pink and red reviewer for proposal activity to DARPA - DSO, I2O, TTO; ONR; NASA; NIH Founder: Integrated Intelligent Systems Reading Group: a PARC wide, cross-lab discussion 2020 Member of committee managing PARC Employee-Led Intellectual Property Investment 2016-2017 portfolio \$3M/year U. Michigan Founding member and co-chair, Special Interest Group - Faculty 2012, 2013 Vice-president, CSE Graduate Organization 2011 Social Chair, Indian Students Association 2010,2011 DCO Representative, CSE Graduate Organization **PATENTS** 2020 Shiwali Mohan, Matt Klenk, Matthew Shreve, Aaron Ang, Kent Evans, John Maxwell. "A System and a Method for Language Processing in Intelligent Machines Collaborating with Humans on Physical Tasks. Invention Submission. 2018, USA Robert Price, Shiwali Mohan, Rule-based Augmentation Of Perceptions To Augment And Filter Perceptions Of Observed Systems. Application number 16/237,241, Publication date: 2020/7/2 2018, USA Matthew Klenk, Shiwali Mohan, Victoria Bellotti, User Behavior in Transportation Influence. Application number 16/181152. Publication date: 2020/5/7 Matthew Klenk, Victoria M Bellotti, Filip Dvorak, Shiwali Mohan. Generating collaboratively optimal 2018, USA

transport plans. Application number 16/024,208. Publication date: 2020/1/2

2017, European Ashwin Ram, Gregory Michael Youngblood, Lester D Nelson, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Peter

L Pirolli, Michael K Silva, Shiwali Mohan. *System and Method to Create, Monitor, and Adapt Individualized Multidimensional Health Programs.* Application number: 17165632.5 Publication date:

2017/04/07.

2016, USA Ashwin Ram, Gregory Michael Youngblood, Lester D Nelson, Anusha Venkatakrishnan, Peter

L Pirolli, Michael K Silva, Shiwali Mohan. *System and Method to Create, Monitor, and Adapt Individualized Multidimensional Health Programs*. Application number: 15/130,770. Publication date:

2016/4/15.

Media

2017 Could a Bot Coach You to a New PR? Artificial intelligence is making its way into fitness apps. Interview.

Outside magazine

November 26, 2020