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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in COMPUTER SCIENCE

August 2009 - Present

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor

Areas of Interest: Cognitive Architecture, Grounded Natural Language, Human-Agent Interaction, Machine Learning

Master of Science and Engineering in COMPUTER SCIENCE

August 2008 - December 2009

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor

Relevant Coursework: Introductory/Advanced Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Models of Cognition, Cognitive Functioning, Algorithms, Parallel Computing

Bachelor of Engineering in INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL ENGINEERING

August 2003 - May 2007

NETAJI SUBHAS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Delhi University, New Delhi, India

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Research Assistant to Professor John E. Laird

August 2010 - Present

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor

Learning with Human-Agent Interaction

Designed and implemented an interaction model for agents instantiated in Soar cognitive architecture that allows limited mixed-initiative interaction with an instructor. The agents can derive generally applicable procedural knowledge from a history of interactions (available in episodic/semantic memory of the agent) using situated explanation.

Graduate Student Research Assistant to Professor John E. Laird

May 2009 - August 2010

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor

Reinforcement Learning in Soar Cognitive Architecture

Designed, implemented and analyzed reinforcement learning agents for Infinite Mario. Implemented modular reinforcement learning for Soar cognitive architecture that allows the agent to learn multiple MDPs.

Research Assistant to Professor Niladri Chatterjee

May 2007 - May 2007

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, New Delhi, India

Sense Disambiguation, Word-Space Models for Language

Designed, implemented and analyzed algorithm for sense disambiguation of homonyms using K-Means clustering and Random Indexing.

Undergraduate Thesis with Professor Niladri Chatterjee

December 2006 - May 2007

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, New Delhi, India

Single Document Summarization, Word-Space Models for Language

Designed, implemented and analyzed algorithm for single-document summarization using PageRank and Random Indexing.

PUBLICATIONS

Conference/Workshop Proceedings:

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

Shiwali Mohan and John Laird. Situated comprehension of imperative sentences in embodied, cognitive agents. In *The AAAI 2012 Workshop on Grounding Language for Physical Systems*, 2012

Shiwali Mohan and John Laird. Towards situated, interactive, instructable agents in a cognitive architecture. In *Papers from the 2011 AAAI Fall Symposium Series*, 2011

Shiwali Mohan and John Laird. An Object-Oriented approach to reinforcement learning in an action game. In *Proceedings of 7th the Artificial Intelligence for Interactive Digital Entertainment Conference*, AIIDE, 2011

Niladri Chatterjee and Shiwali Mohan. Discovering word senses from text using random indexing. In *Proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Computational linguistics and Intelligent Text Processing*, CICLing, 2008. Best Paper Award

Niladri Chatterjee and Shiwali Mohan. Extraction-based single-document summarization using random indexing. In *Proceeding of the 19th IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence*, ICTAI, 2007

Short Papers and Extended Abstracts:

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 (ECAI)*, 2012

Shiwali Mohan and John Laird. Learning actions and action verbs from human-agent interaction. In *Proceedings of the 26th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 2012. (Extended Abstract)

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*, 2012. (Extended Abstract)

Shiwali Mohan and John Laird. Relational reinforcement learning in infinite mario. In *Proceedings of the 24th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, AAAI, 2010. (Extended Abstract)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Instructor
EECS 492: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

January 2012 - April 2012

Student
CHE 580: Teaching Engineering
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

September 2011 - December 2011

ADVISING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Student Advising
Mandar Joshi, Rakesh Khobragade, Saurabh Sarda
Reinforcement Learning agents for Infinite Mario
VISVESVARAYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Nagpur, India

September 2011 - May 2012

SERVICE

- 2011 *Vice-President*, Computer Science and Engineering Graduate Organization, University of Michigan
Social Chair, Indian Students Association, University of Michigan
Pioneer, EduMentoring - an community to promote collaborative research between graduate students and undergraduate students in India
Mentor, EduMentoring
- 2010 *DCO Representative*, Computer Science and Engineering Graduate Organization, University of Michigan
Social Chair, Indian Students Association, University of Michigan
- 2007 *Creative Head*, The Choreography Team, Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi
- 2006 *Volunteer*, The Neighborhood Project, Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi
Creative Head, The Choreography Team, Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer with Strategic Data Services
YAHOO! RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, India
Worked on distributed memory clusters owned by Media Analytics. Implemented feed aggregation (to generate analytic numbers such as page views and click-through rate) for many Yahoo! websites. Implemented better scheduling of I/O and CPU bound processes leading to performance improvement of Media Analytics processes.

July 2007 - July 2008

Software Intern
BHARAT ELECTRONICS LIMITED, India

May 2006 - July 2006

Software Intern
CENTRAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, India

May 2005 - July 2005

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Operating Systems: Linux(Ubuntu/Red Hat), Windows(XP/Vista/7)
Programming Languages: C/C++, JAVA, Perl, Soar
Programming IDEs/Editors: Eclipse, Emacs
Document Markup Language: \LaTeX

INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

Technology, Science Trivia
Dance and Choreography, Design, Typography

MISCELLANEOUS

Date of Birth December 24, 1985
Home Address 1923 Point Lane, Apartment 102, Ann Arbor, Michigan - 48105, USA
Citizenship: Republic of India
Languages: Hindi (mother tongue), English (fluent)
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