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Matthew Whiteway

EDUCATION University of Maryland, College Park, MD 2012-2018 Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics and Scientific Computing Dissertation: A latent variable modeling framework for analyzing neural population activity Advisor: Dr. Daniel A Butts University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 2006-2011 B.Sc. in Physics, B.A. in Mathematics Columbia University, New York, NY Research 2018-current Positions Postdoctoral Research Scientist Zuckerman Mind Brain Behavior Institute Advisor: Dr. Liam Paninski University of Maryland, College Park, MD 2014-2018 Graduate research in computational neuroscience Advisor: Dr. Daniel Butts University of Maryland, College Park, MD 2010 Undergraduate research in network science Advisors: Drs. Michelle Girvan and Ed Ott Honors and Center for Comparative and Evolutionary Biology of Hearing 2015 - 2016AWARDS Trainee Grant Excellence in Teaching Award 2013 University of Maryland Department of Mathematics J. Clarence Karcher Scholarship 2009-2011 University of Oklahoma Department of Physics and Astronomy National Merit Scholarship 2006-2011

Publications

Whiteway MR, Bartolo R, Averbeck BB and Butts DA (in prep). Decoding neural population activity within a latent variable framework.

Socha K, Whiteway MR, Butts DA and Bonin V (*submitted*). Behavioral response to visual motion impacts population coding in the mouse visual thalamus.

Whiteway MR and Butts DA (*submitted*). A search for simplicity in neural population activity.

Whiteway MR, Socha K, Bonin V and Butts DA (2019). Characterizing the nonlinear structure of shared variability in cortical neuron populations using latent variable models. Neurons, Behavior, Data analysis, and Theory, 2(2).

Liu J, Whiteway MR, Sheikhattar A, Butts DA, Babadi B and Kanold PO (2019). Parallel processing of sound dynamics across mouse auditory cortex via spatially patterned thalamic inputs and distinct areal intracortical circuits. Cell Reports, 27(3), 872-885.

Whiteway MR and Butts DA (2017). Revealing unobserved factors underlying cortical activity using a rectified latent variable model applied to neural population recordings. Journal of Neurophysiology, 117(3), 919-936.

Stout J, Whiteway M, Ott E, Girvan M and Antonsen TM (2011). Local synchronization in complex networks of coupled oscillators. Chaos: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Nonlinear Science, 21(2), 025109.

Conference Abstracts

Batty E, Whiteway MR, Saxena S, Biderman B, Abe T, Musall S, Gillis W, Markowitz JE, Churchland AK, Datta SR, Linderman S and Paninski L (submitted). BehaveNet: behavioral video embedding and neural analysis toolbox. *Society for Neuroscience, Chicago, IL*, October 2019.

Glaser J, Linderman S, Whiteway MR, Perich M, Dekleva B, Miller L, Paninski L and Cunningham J. State space models for multiple interacting neural populations. *Computational and Systems Neuroscience, Lisbon, Portugal*, March 2019.

Butts DA, Bartsch F, **Whiteway MR** and Cumming BG. Characterizing hierarchical computation within V1. Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA, November 2018.

Whiteway MR, Bartolo R, Averbeck BB and Butts DA. Decoding neural population activity within a latent variable framework. *Computational and Systems Neuroscience*, *Denver*, CO, March 2018.

Whiteway MR, Bartolo R, Averbeck BB and Butts DA. Unsupervised nonlinear dimensionality reduction of large-scale neural recordings in prefrontal cortex. *Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C.*, November 2017.

Liu J, Whiteway MR, Butts DA and Kanold PO. Differential organization of the mouse auditory cortex to tone onset and offset revealed using automated image segmentation. Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C., November 2017.

Whiteway MR, Socha K, Bonin V and Butts DA. Nonlinear latent variable approaches for understanding population activity in sensory cortex. *Computational and Systems Neuroscience*, Salt Lake City, UT, February 2017.

Butts DA, Perrin GE, Cui Y, **Whiteway MR**, Demb J and Singer J. Characterizing nonlinear neuronal computation within a single stage of processing. *Computational and Systems Neuroscience, Salt Lake City, UT*, February 2017.

Whiteway MR and Butts DA. Hidden sources of variability modulate populations of sensory neurons. *Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA*, November 2016.

Stout J, Whiteway M, Ott E, Girvan M and Antonsen TM. The effect of network structure on the path to synchronization in large systems of coupled oscillators. SIAM Conference on Applications of Dynamical Systems, Snowbird, UT, May 2011.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Advanced Topics in Theoretical Neuroscience, Columbia University Spring 2019 Guest Lecturer - Static Dimensionality Reduction Methods

Introductory Statistics, University of Maryland Teaching Assistant

Spring 2015

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Multivariable Calculus, University of Maryland Teaching Assistant	Fall 2014
Integral Calculus, University of Maryland Lecturer	Summer 2014
Multivariable Calculus, University of Maryland Teaching Assistant	Spring 2014
Linear Algebra , University of Maryland Teaching Assistant	Fall 2013
Introductory Statistics , University of Maryland Lecturer	Spring 2013
Integral Calculus, University of Maryland Teaching Assistant	Fall 2012

MENTORING

Deep Generative Models for Understanding Natural Images Spring 2017

Semester project with an undergraduate student that focused on understanding and implementing variational autoencoders and generative adversarial networks, including their conditional and convolutional variants.

An Introduction to Neural Networks for Image Classification Fall 2016 Semester project with an undergraduate student that focused on the foundations of neural networks and their application to the problem of image classification.

Theory and Applications of the Generalized Linear Model Summer 2015 Summer project with an undergraduate student that focused on the theoretical foundations of the generalized linear model, including linear regression, exponential families, maximum likelihood estimation, and iteratively reweighted least squares.

Linear Programming and its Applications to Economics Spring 2015 Semester project with an undergraduate student that focused on how to represent a linear optimization problem in the language of linear algebra, and the fundamentals of the Simplex Algorithm.

Language Skills Proficient: Python (Tensorflow, OpenCV), MATLAB, LATEX

Inefficient: C++ (OpenGL), Java