# **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Cognitive & Information Sciences, University of California, Merced *In Progress* 

Area: Computational Cognitive Neuroscience

2014 B.S. Computer Science (Magna cum Laude), California State University, Sacramento

Culminating Project: Wings - An Agent-Based Artificial Intelligence Toolkit for Game Developers

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### 2014 - Present Computational Cognitive Modeling Research, UC Merced

- Collaborated with small teams of diverse skill sets to
  Planned computational experiments design and develop simulation tools using java, C++, • and matlab
- Developed visualization and analysis frameworks using python, R, and matlab
- Collected and analyzed heterogeneous datasets
- Communicate technical results to broad audiences
- Key topics: decision making, speech, and learning.

#### 2016 - Present Behavioral Research in Virtual Reality, UC Merced

- With collaborators, planned and implemented a series of movement studies using virtual reality systems
- **Recruited, trained, and supervised** four research assistants
- Collected and analyzed multimodal behavioral data
- Key topics: relationships between learning systems in natural behavior

#### 2014 - Present Teaching, UC Merced

- Teaching Fellow: Developed a syllabus and course content, delivered lectures, assessed progress, and created assignments and lab activities.
- Teaching Assistant: Assisted five courses in cognitive science, lead discussions and lab sections, met with students to provide feedback and mentorship.

#### 2011 - 2014 Information Systems Technician, State Water Resources Control Board

Developed and maintained database web applications using SQL and PHP to support environmental remediation programs

### SKILLS

- → C++, C#, Java, Python, D, GLSL/HLSL, HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, Matlab, SQL, R
- → IPC, Multithreading, OpenGl, CUDA (limited), Unreal Engine, Cluster Computing (Sun Grid Engine), TensorFlow, Keras
- → Profiling (VS, Java Mission Control), Unit Testing (JUnit, GoogleTest, VS), Version Control (Hg, Git, Svn), Issue Tracking (Mantis), Visual Studio, Eclipse, PyCharm, Windows, Unix, Oracle, MySQL
- → Arduino, Phidgets, Roomba SCI, V1KU neuromorphic camera, Robot Operating System, Gazebo
- → Automata, Expert Systems, Random Search, Planners, Genetic Algorithms, Neural Networks, Deep Neural Networks
- → Simulation Methods, Acceleration Methods, Statistical Data Analysis, Experimental Design, Statistical Inference
- → Design Patterns, SDLC, Project Management, Requirements Analysis, Technical Communication, Design Models (Structural, UML), Formal Documentation (SRS, SDD, STS)

# **AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Taught Virtual Reality Research Workshop (2017)
- Organized CogSci Coffee Co-Op (2017)
- Attended Telluride Neuromorphic Cognition Workshop
- Organized "An Evening of Free Will" Discussion Panel (2014)
- California Space Grant Consortium Scholarship for Research (March 2013)
- Chevron Computer Science Scholarship (January 2013)
- Cereal Hack II Intel Grand Prize and People's Choice Award (HackerLab Sacramento, November 10, 2012)
- Marie Perino Business Scholarship (2012)