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Research Interests and Activities

Machine Learning (Bayesian, Reinforcement, Deep)
Evolutionary and Swarm-Based Algorithms
Data Mining and Information Retrieval

Decision Support (Diagnosis, Prognosis)
System Test and Evaluation
Probabilistic Risk Assessment

Education

Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science

1997

The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dissertation: *Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning in Markov Games*

Advisor: Prof. Steven Salzberg.

Dissertation committee: Prof. Steven Salzberg, Prof. Simon Kasif, and Dr. Fernando Pineda.

Master of Science, Computer Science

1990

The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Masters Project: *Learning Diagnostic Information Using a Matrix-Based Approach to Knowledge Representation.*

Advisor: Dr. David Zaret.

Coursework towards Master of Divinity

1983–1985

Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Bachelor of Science, magna cum laude, Computer Science

1983

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

Experience

Montana State University, Gianforte School of Computing, Bozeman, MT

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| • Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering Distinguished Professor | May 2015 – Present |
| • Professor (with tenure) and RightNow Technologies Fellow | August 2012 – May 2015 |
| • Associate Professor and RightNow Technologies Fellow | August 2011 – August 2012 |
| • RightNow Technologies Distinguished Professor and Associate Professor | August 2008 – August 2011 |

Responsible for research in machine learning and systems theory. Responsible for teaching departmental undergraduate and graduate courses, including courses in artificial intelligence, as well as advising graduate students. Focus on growing graduate research and PhD program in Computer Science. Director of the Numerical Intelligent Systems Laboratory, which is jointly operated between Montana State and Johns Hopkins. PhD coordinator for the School of Computing. Lead designer in computer science for a new MS in data science.

Affiliated Faculty Member:

- Energy Research Institute
- Institute on Ecosystems
- Optical Technology Center
- TechLink

The Johns Hopkins University, Engineering for Professionals, Computer Science Program, Baltimore, MD

- Lecturer

September 1994 – Present

Instructor in part-time masters program in several programs, including computer science, bioinformatics, information systems, cyber-security, and data science. Teaches courses in algorithms, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and evolutionary computation. Developed online versions of graduate algorithms, introductory machine learning, advanced machine learning, and evolutionary computation courses. Credited with establishing formal independent study/research program for part time graduate students.

The Johns Hopkins University, Department of Computer Science, Baltimore, MD

- Adjunct Professor
- Adjunct Associate Professor
- Associate Research Professor
- Assistant Research Professor

July 2012 – June 2018

July 2011 – June 2012

July 2008 – June 2011

August 2005 – June 2008

Director of the Numerical Intelligent Systems Laboratory. Responsible for research in machine learning, data mining, evolutionary methods, Bayesian methods, and systems theory. Responsible for teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in artificial intelligence as well as advising graduate students. Graduated two PhD students and numerous MSE students through the full-time graduate program.

ARINC Incorporated, Annapolis, MD

- Fellow
- Senior Principal Analyst
- Principal Staff Analyst
- Senior Staff Analyst
- Analyst
- Associate Analyst II

January 2000 – August 2006

January 1997 – December 2000

January 1995 – December 1996

January 1991 – December 1994

January 1988 – December 1990

December 1986 – December 1988

Technical lead in the Surface Transportation Division performing research in information engineering, data mining, cognitive modeling, and health management. Past technical lead in the Army and Advanced Applications Division leading initiatives in information operations, information warfare, electronic warfare, and intelligence collection and production. Developed methodology for semantic modeling for intelligence and information exchange. Past researcher in the Advanced Research and Development Group. Developed novel model-based diagnostic system that included a patented neural network. Developed novel approaches for diagnosis in dynamic satellite networks for Iridium. Only the third person in ARINC's history to achieved the corporation's highest technical rank of Fellow.

Honors and Awards*University Awards*

1. Sabbatical (Fall 2018): System Design Handbook for System Health
2. MSU Vice President for Research Meritorious Technology and Science Award (2016)
3. Third recipient of the College of Engineering Distinguished Professorship (first in Computer Science) at Montana State University (2015)
4. MSU Computer Science Department Excellence in Research Award (2015)
5. MSU Computer Science Department Excellence in Service and Outreach Award (2014)
6. MSU Computer Science Department Excellence in Research Award (2011)
7. MSU Computer Science Department Excellence in Teaching Award (2009)
8. RightNow Technologies Distinguished Professorship at Montana State University (2008)

Publication Awards

1. Best Paper Award (FLAIRS-32), with former student Dr. Benjamin Mitchell, 2019.
2. Walter E. Peterson Award for Best New Technology Paper (AUTOTESTCON '17), with former student Dr. Shane Strasser, 2017.
3. Oscar W. Sepp Best Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '16), with students Logan Perreault and Monica Thornton, 2016.
4. Runner-up Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTEST '14), with students Houston King and Nathan Fortier, 2014.
5. Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '13), with students Nicholas Ryhajlo and Liessman Sturlaugson, 2013.
6. Runner-up Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '13), with students Liessman Sturlaugson, Nathan Fortier, and Patrick Donnelly, 2013.
7. Runner-up Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '12), with students Shane Strasser and Eben Howard, 2012.
8. Best Track Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '11), 2011.
9. Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '11), with students Shane Strasser and Michael Schuh, 2011.
10. Special Award for a Joint Faculty Member/Student Publication, The Johns Hopkins University, Engineering Programs for Professionals, 2008.
11. Special Award for a Joint Faculty Member/Student Publication, The Johns Hopkins University, Engineering Programs for Professionals, 2007.
12. Special Award for a Joint Faculty Member/Student Publication, The Johns Hopkins University, Engineering Programs for Professionals, 2006.
13. Best Student Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '95), with student Jonas Åstrand, 1995.
14. Best Paper Award (AUTOTESTCON '94), 1994.
15. Walter E. Peterson Award for Best New Technology Paper (AUTOTESTCON '92), 1992.

Professional Society Awards

1. IEEE Certificate of Recognition for member retention for the Central Montana Section (2017).
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3. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1636.1-2013 (2014)
4. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1636.99-2013 (2014)
5. IEEE Outstanding Reviewer Award, *IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement* (2013).
6. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1232-2010 (2011)
7. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1636.2-2010 (2010)
8. IEEE Fellow (2007): Elected for contributions to system-level diagnosis and prognosis
9. IEEE AUTOTESTCON Frank McGinnis Professional Achievement Award, 2007.
10. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1522-2004 (2005)
11. IEEE Computer Society Certificate of Appreciation for Standards Activities (2004, 2002, 2000, 1999)
12. IEEE Computer Society Outstanding Contribution Award (2003)
13. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1232-2002 (2003)
14. IEEE Computer Society Certificate of Appreciation for chairing System Test Workshop (1999)
15. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1232.2-1998 (1999)
16. IEEE Standards Association Working Group Chair Award for IEEE Std 1232.1-1997 (1997)

Industrial Awards and Recognitions

1. ARINC Incorporated Division Recognition Award (1999, 2001–2003)
2. ARINC Research Division Recognition Award (1996)
3. ARINC Technical Excellence Award: Portable Interactive Troubleshooter, POINTER™ (1989)—The highest corporate technical award, and the first given by the corporation

4. ARINC General Manager's Award for Outstanding Performance (1989)—Granted for development of significant new product line (diagnostics) based in independent research.

General Recognition

1. Order of the Engineer (inducted at Johns Hopkins University, May 20, 2009)
2. Marquis Who's Who in America (multiple years)
3. Marquis Who's Who in Science and Technology (multiple years)
4. Marquis Who's Who in the East (multiple years)
5. Outstanding Young Men of America (1989)

Professional Activities

Professional Society Memberships

1. Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Fellow
 - Computational Intelligence Society
 - Computer Society
 - Instrumentation and Measurement Society
 - Standards Association
 - Central Montana Section (Secretary 2014–2015; Chair 2016–2017; Vice Chair 2018–Present)
2. Prognostics and Health Management Society, Member
3. Association for Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence, Member
4. Association for Computing Machinery SIGEVO, Member
5. Computer Science Teachers Association (CSTA), Member

Technical Program Chair

1. International Workshop on System Test and Diagnosis: 1998, 1999, 2000
2. AUTOTESTCON
 - Technical Program Chair: 2001, 2007, 2011
 - Technical Program Vice Chair: 2013
 - Academic Vice Chair: 2008, 2009
 - Tutorials Chair: 2017 – Present

Program Committees

1. AUTOTESTCON: 1995, 2001, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2017–2019
2. European Design and Test Conference: 1994
3. IEEE Board Test Workshop: 2003, 2004
4. IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation: 2001, 2008
5. IEEE International Conference on Prognostics and Health Management: 2008
6. International Conference on Soft Computing and International Symposium on Advanced Intelligent Systems: 2012
7. International Workshop on System Test and Diagnosis: 1992, 1998, 1999, 2000
8. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference: 1999–2003
9. Workshop on Principles of Diagnosis: 2007, 2008

Editorial Boards

1. IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement (Guest Editor, AUTOTESTCON 2007 Special Issue; Associate Editor, 2008–Present)
2. International Journal of Prognostics and Health Management (Editorial Board–2009 to 2010; Co-editor in Chief, 2011 to 2012; Special Issue Editor: Battery Health Management, 2012)
3. Journal of Electronic Testing: Theory and Applications (Associate Editor, 2007–2011)

Conference Session Chair

1. AUTOTESTCON: 1995–2000, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2016–2018
2. IEEE International Joint Conference on Neural Networks: 2016
3. IEEE Aerospace Conference: 2010, 2011
4. International Workshop on System Test and Diagnosis: 1998–2000

Textbook Reviewer

1. Ethem Alpaydin, *Introduction to Machine Learning*, third edition, The MIT Press
2. Daphne Koller and Nir Friedman, *Probabilistic Graphical Models: Principles and Techniques*, The MIT Press
3. Kevin Murphy, *Machine Learning: A Probabilistic Approach*, The MIT Press
4. George F. Luger, *Artificial Intelligence*, fourth edition, Addison-Wesley
5. James Spall, *Introduction to Stochastic Search and Optimization*, Wiley

Journal Reviewer

1. Elsevier Journal of Information Sciences
2. IEEE Computer Magazine
3. IEEE Design and Test of Computers Magazine
4. IEEE Instrumentation and Measurement Magazine
5. IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems
6. IEEE Transactions on Data and Knowledge Engineering
7. IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems
8. IEEE Transactions on Instrumentation and Measurement
9. IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics
10. IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration Systems
11. Journal of Statistical Software
12. Springer Journal of Electronic Testing: Theory and Applications
13. Springer Journal of Intelligent Manufacturing

Conference Reviewer

1. IEEE Aerospace Conference: 2010, 2011
2. IEEE Board Test Workshop: 2003, 2004, 2005
3. IEEE International Test Conference: 1995–2001
4. Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference: 1999–2003
5. IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation: 2001, 2008, 2009, 2019
6. IEEE VLSI Test Symposium: 1996, 1997
7. IEEE International Symposium on Intelligent Control: 2003, 2005
8. Workshop on Principles of Diagnosis: 2007, 2008
9. IEEE International Conference on Prognostics and Health Management: 2008
10. Annual Conference on Prognostics and Health Management: 2009, 2010, 2012
11. International Conference on Soft Computing and International Symposium on Advanced Intelligent Systems: 2012

Standards Committees

1. IEEE Standards Coordinating Committee 20 (Computer Society Designated Representative and Past Vice Chair)
2. IEEE Computer Society Standards Activities Board (Designated Representative to SCC20)
3. IEEE SCC20 Diagnostic and Maintenance Control Subcommittee (Co-Chair and Secretary)
4. IEEE SCC20 P1636 Working Group (Chair)
5. IEEE SCC20 P1636.2 Working Group (Chair)
6. IEC Technical Committee 93 on Design Automation (US Delegate): 1996, 1997, 1998
7. ARINC Test Equipment Guidance Subcommittee, Avionics Maintenance Conference

Academic and Research Activities (Career Funding: \$15,534,345)*MSU Research & Development Funding Obtained as Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator*

1. TPS Associates (for US Navy), Automatic Test System Framework Working Group Support, \$46,948, 5/23/19–3/18/20.
2. US Army Corps of Engineers Research Laboratory (via TechLink), Software Quality Analysis of Army Construction Engineering Research Center Sustainment Management System, \$91,579, 2/26/18–6/30/19.
3. Intel Corporation, Hyperspectral imaging and spatial learning for produce monitoring, \$165,352, 11/1/17–12/31/18.
4. National Science Foundation/National Institutes of Health, QuBDD: Collaborative Research: Quantifying Morphologic Phenotypes in Prostate Cancer - Developing Topological Descriptors for Machine Learning Algorithms, \$420,706 (Co-PI: \$210,353), 8/1/17–7/31/20.
5. TechLink, Department of Defense Patent Classification, \$120,100, 7/1/17–12/31/17.
6. US Air Force (via TechLink and US Army Corps of Engineers), CS DLA Fueler, \$35,000, 7/28/16–7/31/17.
7. US Army Corps of Engineers Research Laboratory (via TechLink), Sustainability Management System, \$146,000 (Co-PI: \$73,000), 10/1/15–9/30/16.
8. State of Montana (Montana Research and Economic Development Initiative), Increasing Profitability by Improving Efficiency of Montana's Farm and Ranch Lands – On-Farm Precision Experiment, \$260,000 (Co-PI: \$69,825), 7/1/15–6/30/17.
9. TPS Associates (for US Navy), Automatic Test System Framework Working Group Support, \$142,697, 7/6/15–12/22/17.
10. US Army Corps of Engineers Research Laboratory (via TechLink), Sustainability Management System, \$150,000 (Co-PI: \$74,061), 10/1/14–9/30/15.
11. Qualtech Systems Incorporated (for NASA), Small Business Technology Transfer Research (STTR) program (Phase II). Risk Engineering, Sciences, Computation, and Informed Decisions. \$283,924, 10/1/14–9/30/16.
12. Qualtech Systems Incorporated (for US Navy), Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) program (Phase I). Improved Electronics Maintenance through Tester Prognostics. Base: \$25,852.58, 11/18/13–5/15/14.
13. Qualtech Systems Incorporated (for NASA), Small Business Technology Transfer Research (STTR) program (Phase I). Risk Engineering, Sciences, Computation, and Informed Decisions. \$41,982, 5/23/13–5/22/14.
14. United States Geological Survey, Decision Identification for Fish and Wildlife Management. Cooperative Agreement, 9/1/12–8/31/17. Initial funding for \$8,070. Co-PI with Dr. Elizabeth Shanahan (PI), Department of Political Science, Montana State University.
15. United States Geological Survey, Scenario Analysis Using Climate Knowledge for Fish and Wildlife Manager: Exploring and Integrating Artificial and Related Probabilistic Graphical Models. Cooperative Agreement, 3/15/12–3/14/17. Initial funding for \$44,944.
16. The Boeing Company, Development of a Bayesian approach to creating Dynamic Fault Isolation Manuals. \$90,115, 1/15/12–12/20/12.
17. Impact Technologies (for US Navy), Small Business Technology Transfer Research (STTR) program (Phase II). Develop and transition technology for combining physics-based and data-driven models for electronic fault prognostics. Base (9/1/11–1/31/13): \$199,917.83 + Option (8/15/13–5/15/14): \$87,748.24 = \$287,666.07.
18. The Boeing Company, Continue development of a proof-of-concept system for performing maturation of D-matrix-type diagnostic models based on ontology-guided data mining principles. \$39,745, 5/23/11–12/22/11.
19. Impact Technologies (for US Navy), Small Business Technology Transfer Research (STTR) program (Phase I). Develop and transition technology for combining physics-based and data-driven

- models for electronic fault prognostics. Base (7/31/10–1/31/11): \$32,522.82 + Option (1/31/11–4/30/11): \$13,994.49 = \$46,517.31.
20. The Boeing Company, Develop a proof-of-concept system for performing maturation of D-matrix-type diagnostic models based on ontology-guided data mining principles. \$51,157, 6/1/10–11/29/10.
 21. The Boeing Company (for NASA), Develop approaches to ontology-guided data mining for purposes of supporting diagnostic maturation in vehicle level health monitoring and reasoning on commercial and military aircraft. \$59,175, 1/1/10–11/30/10.
 22. The M&T Company (for US Navy, PMA-260D), Perform research in predictive health management and standardization; demonstrate standards effectiveness. \$181,300, 4/1/2009–3/31/2010.
- Total Funding Received: \$2,189,363.

JHU Research & Development Funding Obtained as Principal Investigator

1. Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (for US Navy, PMA-260D), Perform research in predictive health management and standardization. \$197,000 (2/1/2008–12/31/2008).
 2. US Army, Redstone Arsenal (for US Navy, PMA-260D), Perform research in ATS interoperability with diagnostic systems. \$111,247 (5/1/2007–3/31/2008).
 3. US Army, Redstone Arsenal, Perform research in Bayesian prognostics for predicting faults of an automatic test system. \$102,573 (1/1/2007–9/30/2007).
 4. US Army, Redstone Arsenal (for US Navy, PMA-260D), Perform research in Bayesian diagnostics for automatic test systems. \$94,550 (9/1/2006–3/3/2007).
 5. US Air Force and Global Strategic Solutions, LLC, Develop a model-based system synthesis and integration methodology for automatic test systems, subcontract under SBIR to GSS. \$12,000 (7/2006–12/2006).
 6. NSWC Corona, Explore applications of Bayesian learning from IUID-enabled data to system diagnostics. \$80,837 (6/2006–9/2006).
- Total Funding Received: \$598,207.

ARINC Research & Development Funding Obtained as Principal Investigator

1. TTCI Data Radio, Transportation Technology Center, Analyze network demand and evaluate alternative data radios for positive train control applications, \$231,728 (2/2006–10/2006).
2. AAR Technical Support, Association of American Railroads, Perform research and development of messaging technologies, and develop messaging specifications for freight railroad operations, \$250,595 (1/2006–12/2006).
3. CMU Test Bed (Phase IV), Association of American Railroads, Evaluate alternative messaging architectures for onboard locomotive communications, \$249,996, 5/2005–12/2006.
4. Open Haven, US DoD, Perform research in intelligence analysis. Details classified, \$6,900,000 (4/2004–3/2007).
5. Open Haven Study, US DoD, Perform research in intelligence analysis. Details classified, \$100,000 (4/2004–6/2004).
6. Dark Star Secure Facility, US DoD, Build-out of special access program facility, \$67,581 (5/2004–9/2004).
7. Dark Star Special Study, US DoD, Details classified, \$173,670, 5/2004–9/2004
8. Vulcan Sky II, US DoD, Perform research in information operations. Details classified, \$201,582 (9/2004–4/2004).
9. Vulcan Sky I, US DoD, Perform research in information operations. Details classified, \$373,421 (4/2003–6/2004).
10. MASON, US DoD, Perform research in assessing information operations effectiveness, \$249,592 (1/2003–8/2003).
11. Dark Star, US DoD, Perform research in information warfare. Details classified, \$117,077 (7/2002–8/2004).
12. ATC Study, US DoD, Examine design alternatives for air traffic control system for Afghanistan reconstruction, \$299,162 (5/2002–8/2003).

13. Sampler Operations and Data System, US Air Force Technical Applications Center, Perform research and development of secure, on-line health monitoring system for radio-nuclide samplers, \$124,999 (7/2002–3/2003).
14. Soothsayer, US Air Force, Develop multi-level secure database and web applications for intelligence data integration and intelligence production/dissemination, \$669,337 (5/2001–4/2002).
15. AI-ESTATE SBIR, Hamilton Software and US Air Force, Provide expert consultation on standards-based diagnostics for automatic test systems development, \$22,502 (8/1999–7/2000).
16. ACAMS, NASA-LaRC, Perform research and development of integrated health monitoring technologies and real-time model-based diagnostics for commercial aircraft, \$1,606,091 (5/1999–7/2001).
17. Big Sombrero II, US Air Force, Provide information modeling and analysis for intelligence support, \$424,360 (5/1999–5/2000).
18. Big Sombrero, US Air Force, Perform intelligence database integration analysis, \$197,770 (5/1998–2/1999).
19. PERC-IPD, CSM Materialtechnik, Perform research and development for advanced, adaptive techniques in the fabrication of composite materials for aircraft. Focused on techniques from adaptive control and reinforcement learning. \$234,597 (7/1997–4/1998).
20. ARI, US Navy, Perform research and development for standard interfaces of automatic test equipment as member of the Automatic Test System Research and Development Integrated Product Team, \$132,660 (9/1996–5/1998).
21. OSA-IDD, McDonnell Douglas Aerospace and US Navy, Perform research and development in passive model-based diagnostics for F/A-18 C/D AN/APG-65 radar system, \$120,055 (3/1995–3/1997).

Total Funding Received: \$12,746,775.

University Courses Developed and Taught (Montana State University)

1. Artificial Intelligence: 2008, 2009, 2010–2016 (even years)
2. Database Systems: 2017
3. Data Mining: 2012, 2014
4. Discrete Structures: 2011, 2013
5. Machine Learning: 2010–2018 (even years)
6. Machine Learning: Soft Computing: 2011–2019 (odd years)
7. Reasoning Under Uncertainty – Computational Research Topics: 2009
8. Reasoning Under Uncertainty: 2011–2019 (odd years)
9. Seminar in Machine Learning: 2008–2019
10. Seminar – Departmental: 2009–2010, 2015–2016

University Courses Developed and Taught (Johns Hopkins University)

1. Artificial Intelligence: 1998–2008
2. Evolutionary Computation: 1995, 1996–2006 (even years)
3. Foundations of Algorithms: 2000–2008
4. Machine Learning: 1994, 1997–2007 (odd years)
5. Online Evolutionary Computation: 2011–2017 (odd years), 2018
6. Online Foundations of Algorithms: 2006–2018, redesigned 2011.
7. Online Introduction to Machine Learning: 2016–2019
8. Online Advanced Machine Learning: 2010–2018 (even years), 2019
9. Seminar in Machine Learning: 2007–2008

University Courses Developed and Taught (George Mason University)

1. System Test and Diagnosis: 1996

Conference/Professional Tutorials/Seminars Taught

1. Advances in Diagnostics and Prognostics (AUTOTESTCON): 2004–2006
2. Artificial Intelligence and Test (AUTOTESTCON): 1997, 1998
3. Diagnostic Modeling (Digital Avionics Systems Conference): 2001
4. Diagnostic Modeling and Application Development (AUTOTESTCON): 1999–2003, 2007–2019
5. Diagnostic Modeling in STAMP (CSELT, Torino, Italy): 1996
6. Fundamentals of Fault Diagnosis (US Navy in-service course): 2006.
7. System Test and Diagnosis (NEPCON West): 1994–1996
8. System Test and Diagnosis (International Test Conference): 1994, 1995, 1999

Past PhD Students Advised

1. Stephyn Butcher (2018), *Information Sharing and Conflict Resolution in Particle Swarm Optimization Variants*, PhD in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
2. Patrick Donnelly (2015), *Learning Spectral Filters for Single- and Multi-Label Classification of Musical Instruments*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
3. Nathan Fortier (2015), *Inference and Learning in Bayesian Networks Using Overlapping Swarm Intelligence*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
4. Benjamin Mitchell (2017)—*The Spatial Inductive Bias of Deep Learning*, PhD in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
5. Logan Perreault (2017)—*Improved Scalability and Expressiveness for Continuous Time Bayesian Networks*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
6. Shane Strasser (2017), *Factored Evolutionary Algorithms: Cooperative Coevolutionary Optimization with Overlap*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
7. Liessman Sturlaugson (2014), *Extensions to Modeling and Inference in Continuous Time Bayesian Networks*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
8. Hasari Tosun (2016), *Efficient Machine Learning Using Partitioned Restricted Boltzmann Machines*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.

Current PhD Students Advised

1. Gerard Fuhnwi—New Student
2. Richard McAllister (ABD)—Deep transfer learning for radiometric weather prediction
3. Georgio Morales—New Student
4. Cindi Mothka—New Student
5. Asad Noor—New Student
6. Amy Peerlinck—New Student
7. Jordan Schupbach—Statistics (co-advised with Dr. John Borkowski)
8. Scott Wahl, (ABD)—Probabilistic modeling in social networks
9. Na'Shea Wiesner—Traffic flow prediction in vehicular *ad hoc* networks

Past PhD Student Committees (non-advisee)

1. Alan Cleary (2018), *Computational Pan-Genomics: Algorithms and Applications*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
2. Christopher Colson (2012), *Towards Real-Time Power Management of Microgrids for Power System Integration: A Decentralized Multi-Agent Based Approach*, PhD in Engineering, Montana State University.
3. Kaveh Dehghanpour (2017), *Market-Based Power Management and Control of Resilient Smart Grids and Microgrids Using a Game Theoretic Multi-Agent Systems Approach*, PhD in Electrical Engineering, Montana State University.
4. Douglas Galarus (2017), *Anomaly Detection through Spatio-Temporal Data Mining, with Application to Near Real-Time Outlying Sensor Identification*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.

5. Karthik Ganesan Pillai (2014), *Modeling Spatiotemporal Co-occurrence Patterns (STCOPs)*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
6. Brian Haberman (2011), *Routing Information Verification Tool for Securing Inter-Domain Routing Information*, PhD in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
7. Timothy Hahn (2010), *Investigation of Physically Aware Routing and Wavelength Assignment (RWA) Algorithms for Next Generation Transparent Optical Networks*, PhD in Computer Science, Montana State University.
8. Lynn Kaeding (2010, graduate representative), *Relative Contributions of Climate Variation, Lake Trout Predation, and Other Factors to the Decline of Yellowstone Lake Cutthroat Trout During the Three Recent Decades*, PhD in Ecology and Environmental Sciences, Montana State University.

Current PhD Student Committees (non-advisee)

1. Nathan Woods—Software engineering

Past MS or MSE Students Advised (Thesis)

1. Amy Peerlinck (2019), *Improving a Precision Agriculture On-Farm Experimentation Workflow through Machine Learning*, en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
2. Jacob Senecal (2019), *Convolutional Neural Networks for Multi- and Hyper-Spectral Image Classification*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
3. Neil Walton (2019), *Utilizing Distributions of Variable Influence for Feature Selection in Hyperspectral Images*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.

Past MS or MSE Students Advised (Project)

1. David Albert (1999), *Evolvable Hardware*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
2. Stephyn Butcher (2006), *No-So-Naïve Bayesian Diagnosis*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
3. Patrick Donnelly (2008), *Musical Harmonic Analysis with a Hidden Markov Model*, MSE in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
4. James Grantham (2007), *Cellular Automata and Transportation Systems*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
5. Andrew Hamilton (2011), *An Anytime Algorithm for Trust Propagation in Social Networks*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
6. Brian Howard (2003), *Royal Roads Not Taken*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
7. Benjamin Mitchell (2008), *Computer Integrated Surgery*, MSE in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
8. Rashad Moore (2003), *Multi-Agent Learning of Airline Decision Making in Response to Airport Pricing Policies*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
9. Adam Peterson (2002), *Dynamic Motion Planning Among Uncertain Obstacles*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
10. Ramendra Ramendra (2008), *Recurrent Neural Networks for Time Series Prediction*, MSE in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
11. Scott Raymond (2002), *Evolving Alarm Calling Behavior*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
12. Charles Robertson (2009), *A Dynamic Bayesian Network Builder*, MSE in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
13. Nicholas Ryhajlo (2013)—*Fuzzy Bayesian Networks for Prognostics and Health Management*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
14. Marka Van Blitterswijk (2019)—*Extensive Transcriptomic Study Emphasizes Importance of Vesicular Transport in C9orf72 Expansion Carriers*, MS in Bioinformatics, The Johns Hopkins University.

15. Ryan Van Soelen (2019)—*Using Winning Lottery Tickets in Transfer Learning for Convolutional Neural Networks*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.
16. Mike Waters (1999), *Genetic Programming and Co-Evolution with Exogenous Fitness in an Artificial Life Environment*, MS in Computer Science, The Johns Hopkins University.

Past MS or MSE Students Advised (Courses Only)

1. Anthony Arnone (2010), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
2. Seth Berardinelli (2015), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
3. Joseph DeBruycker (2017), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University
4. Tyler Forrester (2019), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University
5. Nathan Fortier (2013), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
6. Rollie Goodman (2017), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
7. Jacob Jenks (2016), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University
8. Houston King (2014), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
9. Shriyansh Kothari (2017), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
10. Ryan Nix (2015), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University, co-advised with Dr. Clemente Izurieta.
11. Logan Perreault (2015), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
12. Janette Rounds (2017), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
13. Dennis Cole Schock (2012) MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
14. Shane Strasser (2011), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
15. Liessman Sturlaugson (2012), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
16. Leah Thompson (2016), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University
17. Monica Thornton (2016), MS in Computer Science, Montana State University
18. Scott Wahl (2011), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
19. Na'Shea Wiesner (2017), en-route to PhD, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.

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Past MS or MSE Student Committees (non-advisee)

1. Jeffrey Elser (2012), *Search Engine Tuning with Genetic Algorithms*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State University.
2. Richard McAllister (2010), *FP-Tree Motivated System for Information Retrieval Using an Abstraction Path-Based Inverted Index*, MS in Computer Science, Montana State university.
3. Bryan Scherer (2018), *Weed and Crop Discrimination with Hyperspectral Imaging and Machine Learning*, MS in Electrical Engineering (Optics), Montana State University
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Service to University, College, and Department

1. Master of Science in Data Science Steering Committee, 2018 – present.
2. College of Engineering Research Council, Montana State University, 2015–present.
3. University High Performance Computing Advisory Group, Montana State University, 2015–present.
4. University Internal Research Advisory Committee, Montana State University, 2015–2017.
5. University Committee on Updating Data Access/Consistency, Montana Statue University, 2014–2015.
6. PhD Program Coordinator, Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2013–present.
7. Promotion and Tenure Committee, Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2013–present.

8. Faculty Search Committee, Triple (Chair), Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2013–2015.
9. Curriculum Committee, College of Engineering, Montana State University, 2012–present.
10. Scholarship Committee, Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2012–present.
11. Promotion and Tenure Committee, College of Engineering, Montana State University, 2012–2013.
12. University Committee on Accelerated Master's Degrees, Montana State University, 2012.
13. Faculty Search Committee, Double, Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2010–2011.
14. Faculty Search Committee, School of Music, Music Technology Program, Montana State University, 2010–2011.
15. PhD Committee Graduate Representative, Graduate School, Montana State University, 2009–present.
16. Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Computer Science, Montana State University, 2008–present.

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3. John W. Sheppard, "Risk-based PHM: Probabilistic Methods for Continuous-time Hazard Analysis and Risk Mitigation," Keynote Speaker, IEEE PHM-2017, Harbin, China, July 2017.
4. John W. Sheppard and Michael Malesich, "DoD ATS Framework—Diagnostic and Prognostic Elements," Invited Plenary Panelist, IEEE AUTOTESTCON 2008, Salt Lake City, Utah, September 2008.
5. John W. Sheppard, "Design for Test—The Integrated Diagnostics Perspective," Invited Panelist, AUTOTESTCON 2006, Anaheim, California, September 2006.
6. John W. Sheppard, "Information-Based Standards and Diagnostic Component Technology," Invited Paper and Plenary Talk for 2nd IEEE International Workshop on System Test and Diagnosis, Atlantic City, New Jersey, September 1999.
7. John W. Sheppard, "Artificial Intelligence in Diagnosis," Invited Seminar, Institute for Information Industry, Taipei, Taiwan, February 1998.
8. John W. Sheppard, "The Role of Information Modeling in Developing Standards," Invited Seminar for Computer Science Department, Florida State University, March 1998.
9. John W. Sheppard, "System Test and Diagnosis," Invited Seminar, Institute for Information Industry, Taipei, Taiwan, February 1998.
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11. John W. Sheppard, "Testing Fully Testable Systems: A Case Study," Invited Panel Presentation for the International Test Conference (ITC), Baltimore, Maryland, September 1993.
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