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Education

University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX

MASTERS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

2023 (Anticipated)

- Advisor: Peter Stone
- GPA: 4.0

University of Tulsa

Tulsa, OK

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS, COMPUTER SIMULATION AND GAMING

2019

- Summa Cum Laude
- GPA: 4.0

Research Interests

- ◇ Ad Hoc Teamwork
- ◇ Multi-agent Reinforcement Learning

Publications

- ◇ Reuth Mirsky, Ignacio Carlucho, Arrasy Rahman, Elliot Fosong, **William Macke**, Mohan Sridharan, Peter Stone, Stefano V. Albrecht, “[A Survey of Ad Hoc Teamwork Research](#)”, *EUMAS*, 2022
- ◇ Jiaxun Cui, **William Macke**, Harel Yedidsion, Aastha Goyal, Daniel Urieli, Peter Stone, “[Scalable Multi-agent Driving Policies For Reducing Traffic Congestion](#)”, *AAMAS*, 2021
- ◇ **William Macke**, Reuth Mirsky and Peter Stone, “[Expected Value of Communication for Planning in Ad Hoc Teamwork](#)”, *AAAI* 2021
- ◇ Garret Bingham*, **William Macke***, Risto Miikkulainen, “[Evolutionary Optimization of Deep Learning Activation Functions](#)”, *GECCO*, 2020
- ◇ Reuth Mirsky, **William Macke**, Andy Wang, Harel Yedidsion, and Peter Stone., “[A penny for your thoughts: The value of communication in ad hoc teamwork.](#)”, *IJCAI*, 2020
- ◇ Zhuoshu Li, Kelsey Lieberman*, **William Macke*** Sofia Carrillo, Chien-Ju Ho, Jason Wellen, and Sanmay Das, “[Incorporating compatible pairs in kidney exchange: A dynamic weighted matching model.](#)”, *ACM Conference on Economics and Computation*, 2019
- ◇ Jon Bolin, Chad Crawford, **William Macke**, Sam Beckman and Sandip Sen, “[Gesture Based Control of Autonomous UAVs](#)”, *AAMAS extended abstract*, 2017

Non-Archival

- ◇ Yulin Zhang, **William Macke**, Jiaxun Cui, Daniel Urieli, and Peter Stone., “[Learning a Robust Multi-agent Driving Policy for Traffic Congestion Reduction](#)”, *Adaptive and Learning Agents Workshop at AAMAS (ALA)*, 2022
- ◇ Jennifer Suriadinata, **William Macke**, Reuth Mirsky, and Peter Stone, “[Reasoning about Human Behavior in Ad Hoc Teamwork](#)”, *Adaptive and Learning Agents Workshop at AAMAS (ALA)*, 2021
- ◇ **William Macke**, Reuth Mirsky and Peter Stone, “[Expected Divergence Point of Plans in Ad Hoc Teamwork](#)”, *NeurIPS Workshop on Cooperative AI (CoopAI)*, 2020
- ◇ Jiaxun Cui, **William Macke**, Aastha Goyal, Harel Yedidsion, Daniel Urieli and Peter Stone, “[Multiagent](#)

*Equal contribution

[Driving Policy for Congestion Reduction in a Large Scale Scenario](#), *NeurIPS Workshop on Machine Learning for Autonomous Driving*, 2020

- ◇ [William Macke](#), Reuth Mirsky and Peter Stone, “[Query Content in Sequential One-shot Multi-Agent Limited Inquiries when Communicating in Ad Hoc Teamwork](#)”, *Presented at the ICAPS Workshop on Distributed Multi-Agent Planning (DMAP)*, 2020
- ◇ Reuth Mirsky, [William Macke](#), Andy Wang, Harel Yedidsion, and Peter Stone., “[Communication in Ad Hoc Teamwork](#)”, *Presented at the AAAI Workshop on Planning and Intent Recognition (PAIR)*, 2020
- ◇ Nathaniel Beckemeyer, [William Macke](#), and Sandip Sen, “[Stable Configurations with \(Meta\)Punishing Agents](#)”, *Presented at the AAMAS workshop on Multi-Agent Based Simulations (MABS)*, 2017

Research Experience

University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX

GRADUATE RESEARCHER

August 2019–Present

- I am performing research toward the completion of a masters in the Learning Agents Research Group at UT Austin, under the supervision of my advisor, Professor Peter Stone.

Sony AI

Remote

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Summer 2021

- Worked as an intern in AI and Machine Learning for Sony AI in the summer of 2021.

Washington University in Saint Louis

Saint Louis, MO

NSF REU STUDENT

Summer 2018

- Research Opportunities for Undergraduates (REU) consist of a number of sites funded by the NSF that allow undergraduate students to work with professors on research. I performed research and development of online matching algorithms for kidney exchange under the supervision of Professors Sanmay Das and Chien-Ju Ho at Washington University in Saint Louis.

University of Tulsa

Tulsa, OK

TULSA UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH CHALLENGE SCHOLAR

Summer 2016/2017

- TURC is a program at the University of Tulsa where undergraduate students work on research under professors during the summer. I performed research on several projects involving multi-agent systems under the supervision of Professor Sandip Sen.

Selected Software Projects

[HTTPS://GITHUB.COM/WILLIAMMACKE/KMEANS](https://github.com/williammacke/kmeans) (kmeans)

- Project demonstrates KMeans Clustering Algorithm graphically given 2 dimensional data as input.

[TEMPLATEFLOW](#)

- Project performs basic ML optimization using symbolic differentiation through the c++ template engine.

[LIGHTGCN](#)

- Lightweight implementation of Graph Convolutional Neural Networks using cuspars library for class project.

Honors & Awards

2015 **Awardee**, University of Tulsa Presidential Scholarship (covering all tuition and living expenses)

2017 **Awardee**, AAMAS Multi-Agent Based Simulations Workshop Most Visionary Paper Award

Skills

Languages C99 and C++17, Python2 and Python3, Java, R, Haskell, Bash, \LaTeX
Libraries and Tools TensorFlow, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, SciKit-Learn, OpenCV, Eigen
Misc. Engineering Git, CMake, GNU Make