

# **Conference Program**

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# **Awards**

All AAAI-07, IAAI-07, AAAI Special Awards, and the IJCAI-JAIR Best Paper Prize will be presented Tuesday, July 24, 8:30–9:00 AM, in the Regency Ballroom on the Convention Level.

#### **AAAI-07 Awards**

Presented by Robert C. Holte and Adele Howe, AAAI-07 program chairs.

#### AAAI-07 Outstanding Paper Awards

PLOW: A Collaborative Task Learning Agent James Allen, Nathanael Chambers, George Ferguson, Lucian Galescu, Hyuckchul Jung, Mary Swift, and William Taysom

Thresholded Rewards: Acting Optimally in Timed, Zero-Sum Games
Colin McMillen and Manuela Veloso

# AAAI-07 Outstanding Senior Program Committee Member Award

Gerhard Brewka (University of Leipzig)

# AAAI-07 Outstanding Program Committee Member Awards

Kiri Wagstaff (Jet Propulsion Laboratory) Honorable Mention Malte Helmert (Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg)

#### **IAAI-07 Awards**

#### **Deployed Applications Awards**

The eight IAAI-07 Deployed Application Awards will be announced by the IAAI-07 chair William Cheetham and cochair Mehmet Goker. Please see the schedule for paper titles. Certificates will be presented during paper sessions.

### Robert S. Engelmore Memorial Award and Lecture

The Robert S. Engelmore Award is sponsored by IAAI-07 and AI Magazine, and will be presented by William Cheetham and Mehmet Goker, IAAI-07 chair and cchair, and David B. Leake, editor-in-chief, Al Magazine. The award and lecture was established in 2003 to honor Dr. Engelmore's extraordinary service to AAAI, AI Magazine, and the AI applications community, and his contributions to applied Al. The 2007 award will be presented to Oren Etzioni, professor of computer science at the University of Washington, for longstanding technical and entrepreneurial contributions to artificial intelligence, including seminal research on AI on the web and the deployment of AI technologies in high-impact applications. The lecture will be held Wednesday, July 25, 10:20 AM, in Regency B.

# **AAAI Special Awards**

The AAAI special awards will be presented by Ronald J. Brachman, Awards Committee chair and AAAI past president, and Alan Mackworth, AAAI president.

#### Classic Paper Award

The 2007 AAAI Classic Paper award honors the authors of the paper deemed most influential from the Seventh National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, held in 1988 in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Bayesian Classification

Peter Cheeseman, Matthew Self, Jim Kelly, Will Taylor, Don Freeman

Honorable Mention

A Robust, Qualitative Method for Robot Spatial Learning

Benjamin J. Kuipers, Yung-Tai Byun

#### Distinguished Service Award

The AAAI Distinguished Service award recognizes one individual each year for extraordinary service to the AI community. The 2007 recipient is Tom Mitchell, Fredkin Professor of Al and Machine Learning, Carnegie Mellon University, for outstanding service to artificial intelligence and computer science, including seminal intellectual and service contributions to machine learning and leadership at Carnegie Mellon University and in AAAI, NRC, and AAAS.

# IJCAI-JAIR Best Paper Prize

The IJCAI-JAIR Best Paper Prize, which will be presented by Toby Walsh, editor-in-chief of JAIR, is awarded to an outstanding paper published in JAIR in the preceding five calendar years. The award is presented to:

Efficient Solution Algorithms for Factored MDPs C. Guestrin, D. Koller, R. Parr, and S. Venkataraman (2003). JAIR 19(2003), 399-468

#### Honorable Mention

Additive Pattern Database Heuristics A, Felner, R, E, Korf, and S. Hanan. JAIR 22(2004), 279-318

# 2007 AAAI Fellows Recognition

Each year, the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence recognizes a small number of members who have made significant sustained contributions to the field of artificial intelligence, and who have attained unusual distinction in the profession. AAAI is pleased to announce the seven newly elected Fellows for 2007, who will be honored during the annual Fellows dinner on Tuesday, July 24:

- Pierre F. Baldi (University of California,
- Adnan Y. Darwiche (University of California, Los Angeles)
- Hector A Geffner (ICREA and Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
- Carla P. Gomes (Cornell University)
- Russell Greiner (University of Alberta)
- Stephen F. Smith (Carnegie Mellon University)
- Milind Tambe (University of Southern California)

# **Presidential Address**



#### Alan K. Mackworth

(Professor of Computer Science, University of British Columbia and Canada Research Chair in Al)

Tuesday, July 24, 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Regency Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Vancouver

Artificial intelligence focuses on agents carrying out tasks in an environment. Consider the evolution of the agent-task-environment triple. In good old fashioned AI and robotics (GOFAIR), a single agent typically solved a puzzle in a fully-observable, fully-predictable world. Constraintbased agents were initially proposed in that paradigm. Robot soccer, developed in our lab in 1991, caught on as an international challenge task. The community had to deal with multiagent, dynamic, online, situated, embodied activity in a partially-observable, partially-predictable world. We evolved new constraint-based hybrid agent controllers for such tasks. The main challenge is to design agents that are both proactive and reactive. As our systems migrate into the real world, critical issues of reliability, trust and ethics must be addressed. For example, making ethical choices about our mutual interactions with robots presupposes that we are able to foresee the possible future effects of that interaction (or inaction). This presupposition puts strong requirements on the design space for robot architectures. We cannot use ad hoc or opaque models of robot structure or function. We need languages for modeling the constraints on an agent's dynamics (where we may take "dynamics" quite abstractly) and languages for writing constraint-based behavioral specifications. Moreover, we need techniques for determining if an agent will, or is likely to, satisfy its specifications. Some of the exciting new applications of our science, such as assistive technology, require that we pay particular attention to these concerns of reliability and trust.

AAAI President Alan Mackworth is a professor of computer science and Canada Research Chair in Artificial Intelligence at the University of British Columbia. He works on constraintbased computational intelligence with applications in vision, robotics, and situated agents, and is a pioneer in the areas of constraint satisfaction, robot soccer, and constraint-based agents. He has published over 100 scientific papers, and coauthored Computational Intelligence: A Logical Approach. In addition, he has served as president of IJCAI and CSCSI. He was the founding director of the UBC Laboratory for Computational Intelligence.

# Social Events

## **Opening Reception**

The AAAI-07 Opening Reception will be held Monday, July 23, 6:00-7:00 PM in the Regency Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Vancouver. This event will provide the traditional opportunity for attendees to socialize in a relaxed setting prior to the beginning of the first day of technical sessions. A variety of hors d'oeuvres and a nohost bar will be available. Admittance to the reception is free to AAAI-07 registrants. A \$30.00 per person fee (\$10.00 for children) will be charged for spouses and other nontechnical conference registrants.

# AAAI-07 Poster / Demonstration Session

A conference-wide poster and demonstration session will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 6:30-10:00 PM and will feature AAAI-07 technical posters, Nectar posters, student abstracts, doctoral consortium abstracts, and intelligent systems demonstrations. (For a complete listing of posters, please refer to page 14.) The accompanying reception will include a light dinner buffet and a no-host bar. Admittance to the reception is free to AAAI-07 registrants. A \$45.00 per person fee (\$10.00 for children) will be charged for spouses and other nontechnical conference registrants.

For information about the special competition awards, please see the section on AAAI-07 Competitions on page 18 of this program.

# **Workshop Program**

Registration for a workshop requires a supplemental fee for AAAI-07 technical registrants. Individuals who do not wish to participate in any other AAAI-07 programs or events may elect the workshop only registration fee. Workshops will be held in the Hyatt Regency Vancouver.

# Sunday and Monday, July 22-23

#### W2: Configuration

Organizers: Barry O'Sullivan, Klas Orsvarn Cypress, 34th Floor

#### W3: Evaluating Architectures for Intelligence

Organizers: Gal A. Kaminka, Catherina R. Burghart Kensington, Fourth Floor

#### W5: Explanation-Aware Computing

Organizers: Thomas Roth-Berghofer, Stefan Schulz, David B. Leake Seymour, 34th Floor 8:45 AM-4:30 PM Sunday, 9:15 AM-5:00 PM Monday

#### Sunday, July 22

#### W4: Evaluation Methods for Machine Learning II

Organizers: Chris Drummond. William Elazmeh, Nathalie Japkowicz. Sofus A. Macskassy Regency A, Third Floor 9:00 AM-6:00 PM

#### W6: Human Implications of Human-Robot Interaction

Organizer: Ted Metzler Brighton, Fourth Floor 8:30 AM-5:30 PM

#### W10: Preference Handling for Artificial Intelligence

Organizers: Jon Doyle, Judy Goldsmith, Ulrich Junker, Jérôme Lang Regency B, Third Floor 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

#### W13: Spatial and Temporal Reasoning

Organizers: Hans W. Guesgen, Gerard Ligozat, Jochen Renz, Rita V. Rodriguez Cavendish, Fourth Floor 9:00 AM-5:30 PM

#### Monday, July 23

#### W1: Acquiring Planning Knowledge via Demonstration

Organizers: Mark Burstein. Jim Hendler Regency B, Third Floor 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

#### W7/W11: Joint Workshop on Intelligent Techniques for Web Personalization and Recommender Systems in E-Commerce

Organizers: Bamshad Mobasher, Sarabjot Singh Anand, Alfred Kobsa, Dietmar Jannach Brighton, Fourth Floor 8:30 AM-5:30 PM

# W8: Mobile Robot Workshop

Organizer: Jeffrey Forbes Regency A, Third Floor 8:45 AM-3:45 PM

#### W9: Plan, Activity, and Intent Recognition (PAIR)

Organizers: Christopher Geib, David Pynadath Constable, Fourth Floor 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

#### W12: Semantic e-Science

Organizers: Huajun Chen, Yimin Wang, Kei Cheung, Zhaohui Wu Cavendish, Fourth Floor 9:00 AM-6:00 PM

#### W14: Trading Agent Design and Analysis

Organizer: John Collins Plaza C, Second Level 9:00 AM-5:30 PM

#### W15: Information Integration on the Web (IIWeb)

Organizers: Ullas Nambiar, Zaiqing Nie Regency E, Third Floor 8:30 AM-5:50 PM

A limited number of workshop technical reports will be available for sale after the conclusion of the workshop program at the AAAI-07 registration desk.

# Student Programs

#### AAAI-07 Student Only Reception

USC/Information Sciences Institute will host the first AAAI Student Only Reception, Tuesday, July 24, 7:30-10:30 PM in the ballroom and Thea's Lounge of the Graduate Student Center at the University of British Columbia. Snacks and beverages will be served. All AAAI-07 registered students are welcome. Public transportation is available between downtown Vancouver (Granville and West Georgia Street) and the University of British Columbia campus via busses #4 and #17.

#### AAAI/SIGART Doctoral Consortium (DC-07)

The Twelfth AAAI/SIGART Doctoral Consortium program will be held on Sunday and Monday, July 22-23, in Grouse on the 34th floor of the Hyatt. The Doctoral Consortium provides an opportunity for a group of Ph.D. students to discuss and explore their research interests and career objectives in an interdisciplinary workshop together with a panel of established researchers. The eighteen students accepted to participate in this program will also participate in the AAAI-07 Poster/Demo Session. All interested AAAI-07 student registrants are invited to observe the presentations and participate in discussions at the workshop. AAAI and SIGART gratefully acknowledge grants from the National Science Foundation and Microsoft that provide partial funding for this event.

# AAAI Fellow / Student Lunches

First held in 2006, this program provides an opportunity for a small number of students to chat with a AAAI Fellow over an informal lunch during the conference. Preregistration prior to the conference was required. Preregistered students should meet their designated Fellow in onsite registration in the Regency Ballroom foyer on their assigned day.

#### AAAI-07 Student Blog/Forums

The AAAI-07 Student Blog is a student run blog that describes and documents AAAI-07 and IAAI-07 from a student's perspective. A small group of student bloggers attending the conferences will post daily items describing their observations, experiences, reactions, thoughts and questions. Pictures from the conference will be uploaded to the linked photo blog. Other students attending AAAI are welcome to participate by adding their own observations via comments attached to posts and photographs. In addition, several student-run forums are available via the AAAI-07 Student Activities website. The website and blog are available from the following site: pegasus2.isi.edu/aaai07-studentinfo/.

Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Registration Tutorial Forum Workshops AAAI/SIGART DC Game Playing Competition	Sunday, July 22  Registration Tutorial Forum Workshops AAAI/SIGART DC Game Playing Competition	
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Registration  AAAI-07 Presidential Address  AAAI-07 and IAAI-07  Exhibits and Robots  Poker Competition  Man Versus Machine Exhibition  Trading Agent Competition	Tuesday, July 24  Registration IAAI-07 Invited Talk AAAI-07 and IAAI-07 Exhibits and Robots Poker Competition Man Versus Machine Exhibition Trading Agent Competition	Student Reception at the University of British Columbia
Registration Invited Talks AAAI-07 and IAAI-07 Exhibits and Robots Poker Tournament Man Versus Machine Exhibition Trading Agent Competition	Wednesday, July 25  Registration  AAAI-07 and IAAI-07 Exhibits and Robots Poker Tournament Man Versus Machine Exhibition Trading Agent Competition	Posters and Demos Reception
Registration  AAAI-07 Invited Talks  AAAI-07 and IAAI-07  Exhibits and Robots  Poker Competition  Man Versus Machine Exhibition	Thursday, July 26  AAAI-07 and IAAI-07	

# **Tutorial Forum**

AAAI-07 technical registrants may attend up to four consecutive tutorials for an additional registration fee. All tutorials will be held on the second level of the Hyatt Regency Vancouver.

#### Session I: Sunday, July 22

#### 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

SA1: Autonomous Bidding Agents *Michael Wellman and Peter Stone* 

Georgia A

SA2: Information Integration on the Web Subbarao Kambhampati and Craig Knoblock

Georgia B

SA3: Domain Modeling for Planning Mark Boddy and Robert P. Goldman

Plaza A

SA4: Algorithms for Satisfiability Testing

Anbulagan and Jussi Rintanen

Plaza B

#### Session II: Sunday, July 22

#### 2:00 PM-6:00 PM

SP1: Human-Computer Interaction Based on Discourse Modeling: Theory from AI and Application in HCI

Hermann Kaindl Georgia A

SP2: Constraint Processing for Planning and Scheduling

Roman Bartak Georgia B

SP3: Beyond Traditional SAT Reasoning: QBF, Model Counting,

and Solution Sampling

Ashish Sabharwal and Bart Selman

Plaza A

SP4: General Game Playing

Michael Thielscher

Plaza B

#### Session III: Monday, July 23

#### 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

MA1: New Frontiers in Representation Discovery Sridhar Mahadevan Georgia A

MA2: Automatic Semantic Role Labeling Scott Wen-tau Yih and Kristina Toutanova

Georgia B

MA3: Constraint-based Local

Search in Comet

Pascal Van Hentenryck and Laurent Michel

Plaza A

MA4: Topics in Automated Planning and Scheduling Part I: Planning and Scheduling with Over-Subscribed Resources, Preferences, and Soft Constraints

Minh Do, Terry Zimmerman, and Subbarao Kambhampati Plaza R

#### Session IV: Monday, July 23

#### 2:00 PM-6:00 PM

MP1: Managing Uncertainty and Vagueness in Semantic Web Languages Thomas Lukasiewicz and Umberto Straccia Georgia A

MP2: Representing, Eliciting, and Reasoning with Preferences Ronen Brafman and Carmel Domshlak Georgia B

MP3: Practical Statistical Relational Al

Pedro Domingos

Plaza A

MP4: Topics in Automated Planning and Scheduling Part II: Coordinating Distributed Planning and Scheduling Agents Stephen F. Smith, Bradley J. Clement, and Keith S. Decker Plaza B

# **Special Meetings**

#### **AAAI Business Meeting**

The AAAI Annual Business Meeting will be held Monday, July 23, 12:45–1:15 PM, Regency B, Third Floor

#### **AAAI Conference Committee Meeting**

AAAI Conference Committee Meeting will be held Thursday, July 26, 7:45–8:45  $_{\rm AM},$  Windsor, Third Floor

#### AAAI Executive Council Meeting

The AAAI Executive Council Meeting will be held Monday, July 23, 9:00 AM—4:00 PM, Stanley Room, 34th Floor. Continental breakfast will be available at 8:30 AM.

#### **AAAI Press Editorial Board Meeting**

The AAAI Press Editorial Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, July 25, 7:45–8:45 AM, Windsor, Third Floor

#### **AAAI Publications Committee Meeting**

The AAAI Publications Committee Meeting will be held Monday, July 23, 7:30-9:00 PM, Windsor, Third Floor

# AAAI Strategic Planning Board Meeting

The AAAI Strategic Planning Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, July 25, 7:30–9:00 AM, Cavendish, Fourth Floor

#### Al Journal Editorial Board Meeting

The Al Journal Editorial Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, July 24, 12:30–3:30 PM, Cavendish, Fourth Floor

#### Al Magazine Editorial Board Meeting

The Al Magazine Editorial Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, July 25, 12:30–2:00 PM, Cavendish, Fourth Floor

#### JAIR Meeting

The JAIR Meeting of Advisory Board and Associate Editors will be Wednesday, July 25, 12:30–1:50 PM, Tropika Restaurant, 1128 Robson, Second Floor

# **IJCAI Trustees Meetings**

The IJCAI Trustees Meetings will be held Thursday, July 26, 12:00–6:00 PM and Friday, July 27, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, Tennyson, Fourth Floor

# AAAI-07 / IAAI-07 Invited Talks

# Tuesday, July 24

9:00-10:00 AM

AAAI Presidential Address Agents, Bodies, Constraints and Dynamics Alan K. Mackworth (University of British Columbia) Regency Ballroom

#### 1:50-2:50 PM

IAAI-07 Invited Talk Revolutionizing Prostheses: A Program of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)

Geoffrey S. F. Ling (DARPA) Regency B

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) sponsors revolutionary research targeted at bridging gaps between the needs of the warfighter and current technological, medical, and scientific capabilities. In the realm of neurology, specifically, the Human Assisted Neural Devices (HAND) and Revolutionizing Prosthesis programs are efforts aimed at advancing the interfaces between assistive devices and users by leveraging off of biological capabilities. Both programs have provided the basis for paradigm shifts in treatment of extremity injury and traumatic brain injury.

#### Wednesday, July 25

9:00-10:00 AM

AAAI-07 Invited Talk Graph Identification Lise Getoor (University of Maryland, College Park) Regency C

Within the machine learning community, there has been a growing interest in learning structured models from input data that is itself structured. Graph identification refers to methods that transform an observed input graph into an inferred output graph. Examples include inferring organizational hierarchies from social network data and identifying gene regulatory networks from protein-protein interactions. The key processes in graph identification are entity resolution, link prediction, and collective classification. Getoor will overview algorithms for these processes, discuss the need for integrating the results to solve the overall problem collectively, and show how these methods are relevant to foundational problems in Al such as knowledge representation, reformulation, and reasoning.

#### 9:00-10:00 AM

AAAI-07 Invited Talk Logic for Automated Mechanism Design — A Progress Report Michael Wooldridge (University of Liverpool, UK) Regency D

Cooperation logics, such as Coalition Logic and ATL, have proved to be a powerful formal tool for reasoning about game-like mechanisms such as social choice procedures. In this talk, Wooldridge presents a survey of his work in this area. He will begin by introducing ATL-like logics, and demonstrating that they form a natural tool for the specification of social choice procedures. He will show how ATL model checkers can be used to verify economic properties of social choice mechanisms. He will then discuss the main research issues in the area, discussing, for example, the succinct representation of social choice rules, the complexity of reasoning with such representations, and the handling of preferences. This talk will report joint work with Thomas Agotnes (Bergen), Wiebe van der Hoek (Liverpool), Marc Pauly (Stanford), and Paul E. Dunne (Liverpool).

#### 10:20-11:20 AM

IAAI-07 Invited Talk: Robert S. Engelmore Memorial Award Lecture

Al in a Moore's Law World: The Stories of Farecast and KnowItAII

Oren Etzioni (University of Washington)

What is the role for AI as CPUs, disks, and networks become exponentially more powerful? Perhaps, as some have suggested, the application of simple processing techniques to unprecedented mountains of data will suffice. Alternatively, perhaps Luis von Ahn's paradigm of "Human Computation" will yield any intelligence that is required. Etzioni will argue, to the contrary, that sophisticated AI techniques such as data mining and information extraction are necessary for exciting new applications. But these techniques have to be improved in important ways. He will make these points through the stories of Farecast. com and the KnowltAll research project.

#### Thursday, July 26

9:00-10:00 AM

AAAI-07 Invited Talk Moving toward Peer-to-Peer Human-Robot Interaction Alan C. Schultz (Naval Research Laboratory) Regency C

As we move from teleoperation toward collaboration, human-robot interactions become more complex and require that the human and the robot share more common knowledge about the world. At the collaborative level of interaction, the robot and human must exercise mixed initiative in problem solving, each taking advantage of their unique skills, location, and perspective of the current situation. Working toward solutions to human-robot collaboration requires a highly multi-disciplinary approach, as well as integration of very different areas of research, as can be seen in the emerging field of human-robot interaction. This talk will describe recent multidisciplinary approaches in shared perspective.

#### 9:00-10:00 AM

AAAI-07 Invited Talk Representing and Reasoning about Preferences Toby Walsh (NICTA and University of New South Wales) Regency D

Preferences turn up in many Al applications. How do we represent preferences? How do we elicit them from a user? How do we aggregate preferences of multiple agents? Can we do this fairly and efficiently? How do we reason about preferences ("I'd prefer a ski trip to a city break") and constraints ("It must cost less than my budget"). In this talk, Walsh will describe ongoing work to answer such questions. Research in this area is an interesting intersection between knowledge representation, decision theory, and multiagent systems. It is also an area where computational intractability can be our

# 10:20-11:20 AM

IAAI-07 Invited Talk

Big "A," Small "I": Smart Ends from Simple Means

Matt Brown (Maxis / Electronic Arts) Regency B

The talk will cover various elements of the game design, behavioral AI and structure behind The Sims 2 as well as future efforts in products such as The Sims and SimCity. Emphasis will be on simplification of abstraction and underlying world representations, prototyping and demonstration of practical results. Discussion will focus around players' perceptual models and manipulating available information and expectations to simplify design.

	REGENCY A	REGENCY C	REGENCY F	GEORGIA A
8:30-10:00 AM	AAAI-07/IAAI-07 Opening Ceremony and Presidential Address (All events from 8:30–10:00 AM will be held in the Regency Ballroom)	Welcome and Opening Remarks (Regency Ballroom)  AAAI Welcome, Outstanding Paper and Program Committee Awards Robert C. Holte and Adele Howe, AAAI-07 Program Chairs	Denloyed Application Award Appropriate	Awards (Regency Ballroom)  IJCAI-JAIR Best Paper Prize  Toby Walsh, Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR)
10:20-11:20 AM	Al and the Web: Semantic Web Session Chair: Thomas Lukasiewicz Towards Large Scale Argumentation Support on the Semantic Web Iyad Rahwan, Fouad Zablith, Chris Reed Making the Difference in Semantic Web Service Composition Freddy Lécue, Alexandre Delteil Partial Matchmaking Using Approximate Subsumption Heiner Stuckenschmidt	Constraint Reasoning-1 Session Chair: Toby Walsh Learning to Solve QBF Horst Samulowitz, Roland Memisevic Combining Multiple Heuristics Online Matthew Streeter, Daniel Golovin, Stephen F. Smith Restart Schedules for Ensembles of Problem Instances Matthew Streeter, Daniel Golovin, Stephen F. Smith	Knowledge Representation and Reasoning Session Chair: Jim Delgrande A Temporal Mereology for Distinguishing between Integral Objects and Portions of Stuff Thomas Bittner, Maureen Donnelly Forgetting Actions in Domain Descriptions Esra Erdem, Paolo Ferraris A Generalized Gelfond-Lifschitz Transformation for Logic Programs with Abstract Constraints Yi-Dong Shen, Jia-Huai You	Unsupervised Learning-1 Session Chair: Kagan Tumer A Meta-learning Approach for Selecting between Response Automation Strategies in a Help-desk Domain Y. Marom, I. Zukerman, N. Japkowicz Nectar: Manifold Denoising as Preprocessing for Finding Natural Representations of Data Matthias Hein, Markus Maier COD: Online Temporal Clustering for Outbreak Detection Tomás Singliar, Denver H. Dash
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Al and the Web: Wikipedia Session Chair: James Fan Deriving a Large-Scale Taxonomy from Wikipedia Simone Paolo Ponzetto, Michael Strube Relation Extraction from Wikipedia Using Subtree Mining Dat P. T. Nguyen, Yutaka Matsuo, Mitsuru Ishizuka Finding Related Pages Using Green Measures: An Illustration with Wikipedia Yann Ollivier, Pierre Senellart	Consistency and Resolution Session Chair: Willem-Jan van Hoeve Data Structures for Generalised Arc Consistency for Extensional Constraints Ian P. Gent, Chris Jefferson, Ian Miguel, Peter Nightingale Conservative Dual Consistency Christophe Lecoutre, Stéphane Cardon, Julien Vion Nectar: Refutation by Randomised General Resolution Steven Prestwich, Inês Lynce	Fundamental Algorithms Session Chair: Ashish Sabharwal Computational Aspects of Covering in Dominance Graphs Felix Brandt, Felix Fischer Graph Partitioning Based on Link Distributions Bo Long, Mark (Zhongfei) Zhang, Philip S. Yu Discovering Near Symmetry in Graphs Maria Fox, Derek Long, Julie Porteous	Semisupervised Learning Session Chair: Kiri Wagstaff Improving Learning in Networked Data by Combining Explicit and Mined Links Sofus A. Macskassy Semisupervised Learning by Mixed Label Propagation Wei Tong, Rong Jin Semisupervised Learning with Very Few Labeled Training Examples Zhi-Hua Zhou, De-Chuan Zhan, Qiang Yang
1:50-2:50 PM	Al and the Web: User Interactions Session Chair: Vinay Chaudhri Modeling Contextual Factors of Click Rates Hila Becker, Christopher Meek, David Maxwell Chickering KA-CAPTCHA: An Opportunity for Knowledge Acquisition on the Web Bruno Norberto da Silva, Ana Cristina Bicharra Garcia PhotoSlap: A Multi-player Online Game for Semantic Annotation Chien-Ju Ho, Tsung-Hsiang Chang, Jane Yung-jen Hsu	NL-Based Inference Session Chair: TBA Semantic Inference at the Lexical-Syntactic Level Roy Bar-Haim, Ido Dagan, Iddo Greental, Eyal Shnarch Recognizing Textual Entailment Using a Subsequence Kernel Method Rui Wang, Günter Neumann Nectar: Learning and Inference for Hierarchically Split PCFGs Slav Petrov, Dan Klein	Causal Models Session Chair: Denver Dash On the Identification of a Class of Linear Models Jin Tian Possibilistic Causal Networks for Handling Interventions: A New Propagation Algorithm Salem Benferhat, Salma Smaoui Learning Causal Models for Noisy Biological Data Mining: An Application to Ovarian Cancer Detection Ghim-Eng Yap, Ah-Hwee Tan, Hwee-Hwa Pang	Reinforcement Learning-1 Session Chair: Shimon Whiteson Nectar: Temporal Difference and Policy Search Methods for Reinforcement Learning Matthew Taylor, Shimon Whiteson, Peter Stone A Reinforcement Learning Algorithm with Polynomial Interaction Complexity for Only-Costly-Observable MDPs Roy Fox, Moshe Tennenholtz Compact Spectral Bases for Value Function Approximation Using Kronecker Factorization Jeff Johns, Sridhar Mahadevan, Chang Wang
3:00-4:00 PM	Al and the Web: Supporting Business Session Chair: Norman Sadeh-Koniecpol Towards Efficient Dominant Relationship Exploration of the Product Items on the Web Zhenglu Yang, Lin Li, Botao Wang, Masaru Kitsuregawa Design of a Mechanism for Promoting Honesty in E-Marketplaces Jie Zhang, Robin Cohen Representing and Reasoning about Commitments in Business Processes Nirmit Desai, Amit K. Chopra, Munindar P. Singh	Information Gathering Session Chair: TBA Nonmyopic Informative Path Planning in Spatio-Temporal Models Alexandra Meliou, Andreas Krause, Carlos Guestrin, Joseph M. Hellerstein Purely Epistemic Markov Decision Processes Régis Sabbadin, Jérôme Lang, Nasolo Ravoanjanahry VOILA: Efficient Feature-value Acquisition for Classification Mustafa Bilgic, Lise Getoor	Action/Agent Logics Session Chair: Iyad Rahwan A Logic of Agent Programs N. Alechina, M. Dastani, B. S. Logan, JJ. Ch. Meyer Optimal Regression for Reasoning about Knowledge and Actions Hans van Ditmarsch, Andreas Herzig, Tiago de Lima ESP: A Logic of Only-Knowing, Noisy Sensing and Acting Alfredo Gabaldon, Gerhard Lakemeyer	Transfer Learning Session Chair: Pedro Domingos Measuring the Level of Transfer Learning by an AP Physics Problem-Solver Matthew Klenk, Kenneth D. Forbus Mapping and Revising Markov Logic Networks for Transfer Learning Lilyana Mihalkova, Tuyen Huynh, Raymond J. Mooney Transferring Naive Bayes Classifiers for Text Classification Wenyuan Dai, Gui-Rong Xue, Qiang Yang, Yong Yu
4:20-5:20 PM	Planning on the Web Session Chair: Craig Knoblock Senior Member: Model-lite Planning for the Web Age Masses: The Challenges of Planning with Incomplete and Evolving Domain Models Subbarao Kambhampati Web Service Composition as Planning, Revisited: In Between Background Theories and Initial State Uncertainty Jörg Hoffmann, Piergiorgio Bertoli, Marco Pistore AIW: A Planning Approach for Message-Oriented Semantic Web Service Composition Zhen Liu, Anand Ranganathan, Anton Riabov	Search Algorithm Synthesis/Comparison Session Chair: Steve Minton Nectar: An Experimental Comparison of Constraint Logic Programming and Answer Set Programming Agostino Dovier, Andrea Formisano, Enrico Pontelli Synthesis of Constraint-Based Local Search Algorithms from High-Level Models Pascal Van Hentenryck, Laurent Michel  Automatic Algorithm Configuration Based on Local Search Frank Hutter, Holger H. Hoos, Thomas Stützle	Models of Agency Session Chair: Yoav Shoham A Logic of Emotions for Intelligent Agents Bas R. Steunebrink, Mehdi Dastani, John-Jules Ch. Meyer Intention Guided Belief Revision Timothy William Cleaver, Abdul Sattar A Modal Logic for Beliefs and Pro Attitudes Kaile Su, Abdul Sattar, Han Lin, Mark Reynolds	Collective Inference Session Chair: Kagan Tumer Joint Inference in Information Extraction Holfung Poon, Pedro Domingos Cautious Inference in Collective Classification Luke K. McDowell, Kalyan Moy Gupta, David W. Aha Nectar: Online Collective Entity Resolution Indrajit Bhattacharya, Lise Getoor
EVENING	Coffee breaks will be held a	Coffee breaks will be held at 10:00 – 10:20 AM and 4:00 – 4:20 PM. The lunch break will be held from 12:30 – 1:50 PM.  AAAI-07 Students-Only Reception, 7:30–10:30 PM, University of British Columbia		

**GEORGIA B** REGENCY E **REGENCY B** REGENCY D Awards (Regency Ballroom) AAAI Presidential Address ₹ (Regency Ballroom) AAAI Classic Paper and Distinguished 8:30-10:00 9:00-10:00 AM (Regency Ballroom) Service Awards Ronald J. Brachman, AAAI Past President and Agents, Bodies, Constraints and Dynamics Awards Committee Chair Alan Mackworth (University of British Columbia) Alan Mackworth, AAAI President IAAI-07: Machine Learning **POMDPs Human Studies** Multiagent Systems Session Chair: Shlomo Zilberstein Session Chair: Sridhar Mahadevan Session Chair: Brian Scassellati Session Chair: Samy Uthurusamy A Multi-Dimensional Trust Model Indefinite-Horizon POMDPs with **Humans Perform Semisupervised** Emerging: Stochastic Optimization for for Heterogeneous Contract Observations Collision Selection in High Energy Physics Action-Based Termination Classification Too Steven Reece, Stephen Roberts, Alex Rogers, Shimon Whiteson, Daniel Whiteson Eric A. Hansen Xiaojin Zhu, Timothy Rogers, Ruichen Qian, 10:20-11:20 Nicholas R. Jennings Chuck Kalish Scaling Up: Solving POMDPs through Value Based Clustering Emerging: Adaptive Timeout Policies for Fast Fine-Grained Power Management Improved State Estimation in Multiagent Modeling Reciprocal Behavior in Yan Virin, Guy Shani, Solomon Eyal Shimony, Human Bilateral Negotiation Settings with Continuous or Large Branislav Kveton, Prashant Gandhi, Georgios Discrete State Spaces Ronen Brafman Ya'akov Gal. Avi Pfeffei Theocharous, Shie Mannor, Barbara Rosario, Prashant Doshi Nilesh Shah Point-Based Policy Iteration Nectar: Using Eye-Tracking Data for High-Level An & approximation Protocol for the Generalized Mutual Assignment Problem Shihao Ji, Ronald Parr, Hui Li, User Modeling in Adaptive Interfaces Xueiun Liao, Lawrence Carin Cristina Conati, Christina Merten. Katsutoshi Hirayama Saleema Amershi, Kasia Muldnei Negotiation Heuristic Search-1 Integrated Intelligence: Spatial Cognition IAAI-07: Space Applications Session Chair: Shlomo Zilberstein Session Chair: Rich Korf Session Chair: Beniamin Kuipers Session Chair: Samv Uthurusamv M Spatial Representation and Reasoning for On the Benefits of Exploiting Underlying Emerging: Machine Learning for Automatic Near-Optimal Search in Continuous Domains Human-Robot Collaboration Goals in Argument-based Negotiation Samuel leong, Nicolas Lambert, Yoav Shoham, Mapping of Planetary Surfaces 11:30 AM-12:30 lyad Rahwan, Philippe Pasquier, Liz Sonenberg, Frank Dignum W. Kennedy, M. Bugajska, M. Marge, W. Adams, Tomasz F. Stepinski, Soumya Ghosh, Ricardo Vilalta Ronen Brafman B. Fransen, D. Perzanowski, A. Schultz, J. Trafton Parallel Structured Duplicate Detection Deployed: The Virtual Solar-Terrestrial An Integrated Robotic System for Spatial Reasoning about Bargaining Situations Rong Zhou, Eric A. Hansen Observatory: A Deployed Semantic Web Application Case Study for Scientific Research Understanding and Situated Interaction .. Dongmo Zhang H. Zender, P. Jensfelt, Ó. Martínez Mozos, Best-First Search for Treewidth Deborah McGuinness, Peter Fox, Luca Cinquini, G. Kruijff, W. Burgard P. Alex Dow, Richard E. Korf Patrick West, Jose Garcia, James L. Benedict, Predicate Projection in a Bimodal Don Middleton Spatial Reasoning System Samuel Wintermute, John F. Laird Mechanism Design-1 Heuristic Search-2 Localization IAAI-07 Invited Talk Session Chair: Jeff Rosenschein Session Chair: Rich Korf Session Chair: Maria Gini Revolutionizing Prostheses: A Program of the Defense Advanced Research Implementing the Maximum of Domain-Independent Construction of Pattern Hybrid Inference for Sensor Network Monotone Algorithms Localization Using a Mobile Robot Database Heuristics for Cost-Optimal Planning Projects Agency (DARPA) ≥ Geoffrey S. F. Ling (DARPA) Liad Blumroser Patrik Haslum, Adi Botea, Malte Helmert, Dimitrios Marinakis, David Meger, Blai Bonet, Sven Koenig Ioannis Rekleitis, Gregory Dudek 50-2:50 Automated Online Mechanism Design and Prophet Inequalities Theta\*: Any-Angle Path Planning on Grids Online Co-Localization in Indoor Wireless Mohammad Taghi Hajiaghayi, Robert Kleinberg, Alex Nash, Kenny Daniel, Sven Koenig, Ariel Felner Networks by Dimension Reduction Jeffrey Pan, Oiang Yang, Sinno Jialin Pan Tuomas Sandholm On the Value of Good Advice: The Complexity of An Ironing-Based Approach to Adaptive Online Mechanism Design in Single-Valued Domains Adaptive Localization in a Dynamic WiFi Environment through Multi-view Learning A\* Search with Accurate Heuristics Hang Dinh, Alexander Russell, Yuan Su David C. Parkes, Quang Duong Sinno Jialin Pan, James T. Kwok, Qiang Yang, Jeffrey Junfeng Pan **Optimal Planning** Probabilistic Methods-1 Auctions IAAI-07: Medical Applications Session Chair: Jeff Rosenschein Session Chair: Randy Hill Session Chair: Joerg Hoffmann Session Chair: Denver Dash Nectar: Making VCG More Robust in Best-First AND/OR Search for Graphical Models Deployed: Biomind ArrayGenius and Filtering Decomposition and Search Space Combinatorial Auctions via Reduction for Optimal Sequential Planning GeneGenius: Web Services Offering Microarray Radu Marinescu, Rina Dechter Submodular Approximation Stéphane Grandcolas, Cyril Pain-Barre and SNP Data Analysis via Novel Machine Sampling with Memoization Makoto Yokoo Atsushi Iwasaki Learning Methods 3:00-4:00 Planning as Satisfiability with Preferences Enrico Giunchiglia, Marco Maratea Avi Pfeffer Ben Goertzel, Cassio Pennachin, Lucio Coelho, Valuation Uncertainty and Imperfect Leonardo Shikida, Murilo Oueiroz Generalized Evidence Pre-propagated Introspection in Second-Price Auctions Asymptotically Optimal Encodings of Importance Sampling for Hybrid Emerging: Real-Time Identification of Operating Room State from Video David R. M. Thompson, Kevin Leyton-Brown Conformant Planning in OBF Bayesian Networks Revenue Monotonicity in Combinatorial Auctions Jussi Rintanen Changhe Yuan, Marek J. Druzdzel Beenish Bhatia, Tim Oates, Yan Xiao, Peter Hu Baharak Rastegari, Anne Condon, Kevin Levton-Brown Game Theory-1 Vision Integrated Intelligence: IAAI-07: Information Systems Learning/Teaching Session Chair: Dragos Margineantu Session Chair: TBA Session Chair: Sam leong Session Chair: Ted Senator A New Algorithm for Generating Equilibria A Vision-Based System for a UGV to Deployed: Using AI for e-Government Automatic AAAI-07 Outstanding Paper: PLOW: in Massive Zero-Sum Games Martin Zinkevich, Michael Bowling, Neil Burch Handle a Road Intersection Assessment of Immigration Application Forms A Collaborative Task Learning Agent M Javed Ahmed, Mubarak Shah, Andrew Miller, Andy Hon Wai Chun J. Allen, N. Chambers, G. Ferguson, L. Galescu, Don Harper, M. N. Jafri Deployed: Journal-Ranking.com: An Online Interactive Journal Ranking System 4:20-5:20 H. Jung, M. Swift, W. Taysom Learning Equilibrium in Photometric and Geometric Restoration of Resource Selection Games Integrated Introspective Case-Based Reasoning Itai Ashlagi, Dov Monderer, Moshe Tennenholtz Document Images Using Inpainting and Andrew Lim, Hong Ma, Qi Wen, Zhou Xu, for Intelligent Tutoring Systems Leen-Kiat Soh Shape-from-Shading Brenda Cheang, Bernard Tan, Wenbin Zhu On the Reasoning Patterns of Agents Li Zhang, Andy M. Yip, Chew Lim Tan Integrating Natural Language, KR and R, and in Games Analogical Processing to Learn by Reading K. Forbus, C. Riesbeck, L. Birnbaum, K. Livingston, Avi Pfeffer, Ya'akov Gal **Detection of Multiple Deformable** Objects Using PCA-SIFT A. Sharma, L. Ureel Stefan Zickler, Alexei Efros Coffee breaks will be held at 10:00 - 10:20 AM and 4:00 - 4:20 PM. The lunch break will be held from 12:30 - 1:50 PM.

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9:00-10:00 AM		AAAI-07 Invited Talk Introduction by Tom Dietterich Graph Identification Lise Getoor (University of Maryland, College Park)		
10:20-11:20 AM	Al and the Web: Trust and Authority Session Chair: Robin Cohen SUNNY: A New Algorithm for Trust Inference in Social Networks Using Probabilistic Confidence Models Ugur Kuter, Jennifer Golbeck From Whence Does Your Authority Come? Utilizing Community Relevance in Ranking Lan Nie, Brian D. Davison, Baoning Wu Reasoning about Attribute Authenticity in a Web Environment Thomas Wölfl	Constraint Reasoning-2 Session Chair: Steve Prestwich Propagating Knapsack Constraints in Sublinear Time Irit Katriel, Meinolf Sellmann, Eli Upfal, Pascal Van Hentenryck  Dynamic DFS Tree in ADOPT-ing Marius C. Silaghi, Makoto Yokoo  On the Partial Observability of Temporal Uncertainty Michael D. Moffitt	Action/Agent Languages (Regency F) Session Chair: Jussi Rintanen A Modular Action Description Language for Protocol Composition Nirmit Desai, Munindar P. Singh Expressiveness of ADL and Golog: Functions Make a Difference Gabriele Röger, Bernhard Nebel The Semantics of Variables in Action Descriptions Vladimir Lifschitz, Wanwan Ren	Kernel Methods Session Chair: Richard Maclin A Randomized String Kernel and Its Application to RNA Interference Shibin Qiu, Terran Lane, Ljubomir Buturovic Kernel Regression with Order Preferences Xiaojin Zhu, Andrew B. Goldberg Nectar: The Pyramid Match: Efficient Learning with Partial Correspondences Kristen Grauman
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Al and the Web: Ontologies Session Chair: Chris Welty Approximating OWL-DL Ontologies Jeff Z. Pan, Edward Thomas Repairing Ontology Mappings Christian Meilicke, Heiner Stuckenschmidt, Andrei Tamilin A Semantic Importing Approach to Knowledge Reuse from Multiple Ontologies Jie Bao, Giora Slutzki, Vasant Honavar	Constrained Optimization Session Chair: K. Brent Venable Search Space Reduction and Russian Doll Search Kenil C. K. Cheng, Roland H. C. Yap Multi-Objective Russian Doll Search Emma Rollon, Javier Larrosa Computing Optimal Subsets Maxim Binshtok, Ronen I. Brafman, Solomon E. Shimony, Ajay Martin, Craig Boutilier	Logic/Database Query Answering (Regency F) Session Chair: Mirek Truszczynski Scalable Semantic Retrieval through Summarization and Refinement J. Dolby, A. Fokoue, A. Kalyanpur, A. Kershenbaum, E. Schonberg, K. Srinivas, L. Ma Approximate Query Answering in Locally Closed Databases Â. Cortés-Calabuig, M. Denecker, O. Arieli, M. Bruynooghe Facts Do Not Cease to Exist Because They Are Ignored J. Oetsch, H. Tompits, S. Woltran	Unsupervised Learning-2 Session Chair: Dragos Margineantu Clustering with Local and Global Regularization Fei Wang, Changshui Zhang, Tao Li Isometric Projection Deng Cai, Xiaofei He, Jiawei Han Discovering Multivariate Motifs Using Subsequence Density Estimation and Greedy Mixture Learning David Minnen, Charles L. Isbell, Irfan Essa, Thad Starner
1:50-2:50 PM	Al and the Web: Networks and Semantics Session Chair: Neil Yorke-Smith Provisioning Heterogeneous and Unreliable Providers for Service Workflows Sebastian Stein, Nicholas R. Jennings, Terry R. Payne A Distributed Constraint Optimization Solution to the P2P Video Streaming Problem Theodore Elhourani, Nathan Denny, Michael Marefat GRIN: A Graph Based RDF Index O. Udrea, A. Pugliese, V. S. Subrahmanian	Constraint Reasoning-3 Session Chair: Francesca Rossi Transposition Tables for Constraint Satisfaction Christophe Lecoutre, Lakhdar Sais, Sébastien Tabary, Vincent Vidal Representative Explanations for Over-Constrained Problems Barry O'Sullivan, Alexandre Papadopoulos, Boi Faltings, Pearl Pu Diagnosis of Discrete-Event Systems Using Satisfiability Algorithms Alban Grastien, Anbulagan, Jussi Rintanen, Elena Kelareva	Reasoning with Beliefs (Stanley, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Mirek Truszczynski Mutual Belief Revision: Semantics and Computation Yi Jin, Michael Thielscher, Dongmo Zhang An Egalitarist Fusion of Incommensurable Ranked Belief Bases under Constraints Salem Benferhat, Sylvain Lagrue, Julien Rossit Belief Change and Cryptographic Protocol Verification Aaron Hunter, James P. Delgrande	Mathematical Programming Session Chair: TBA  A Mathematical Programming Formulation for Sparse Collaborative Computer Aided Diagnosis Jinbo Bi, Tao Xiong  Refining Rules Incorporated into Knowledge-Based Support Vector Learners Via Successive Linear Programming Richard Maclin, Edward Wild, Jude Shavlik, Lisa Torrey, Trevor Walker  A Method for Large-Scale I, Regularized Logistic Regression Kwangmoo Koh, Seung-Jean Kim, Stephen Boyd
3:00-4:00 PM	Al and the Web: Language Technology Session Chair: Chris Welty Improving Similarity Measures for Short Segments of Text Wen-tau Yih, Christopher Meek Topic Segmentation Algorithms for Text Summarization and Passage Retrieval: An Exhaustive Evaluation Gaël Dias, Elsa Alves. José Gabriel Pereira Lopes Robust Estimation of Google Counts for Social Network Extraction Yutaka Matsuo, Hironori Tomobe, Takuichi Nishimura	CSPs Session Chair: K. Brent Venable Using Expectation Maximization to Find Likely Assignments for Solving CSP's Eric I. Hsu, Matthew Kitching, Fahiem Bacchus, Sheila A. McIlraith On Balanced CSPs with High Treewidth Carlos Ansótegui, Ramón Béjar, César Fernàndez, Carles Mateu Inference Rules for High-Order Consistency in Weighted CSP Carlos Ansótegui, María L. Bonet, Jordi Levy, Felip Manyà	Description Logics-1 (Stanley, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Giuseppe De Giacomo Complexity Boundaries for Horn Description Logics Markus Krötzsch, Sebastian Rudolph, Pascal Hitzler DL-Lite in the Light of First-Order Logic Alessandro Artale, Diego Calvanese, Roman Kontchakov, Michael Zakharyaschev Answering Regular Path Queries in Expressive Description Logics: An Automata-Theoretic Approach Diego Calvanese, Thomas Eiter, Magdalena Ortiz	Link Mining Session Chair: Pedro Domingos Probabilistic Community Discovery Using Hierarchical Latent Gaussian Mixture Model Haizheng Zhang, C. Lee Giles, Henry C. Foley, John Yen Relationship Identification for Social Network Discovery Christopher P. Diehl, Gailleo Namata, Lise Getoor L2R: A Logical Method for Reference Reconciliation Fatiha Saïs, Nathalie Pernelle, Marie Christine Rousset
4:20-5:20 PM	Web Mining/Retrieval Session Chair: Shieu-Hong Lin Mining Web Query Hierarchies from Clickthrough Data Dou Shen, Min Qin, Weizhu Chen, Qiang Yang, Zheng Chen TableRank: A Ranking Algorithm for Table Search and Retrieval Ying Liu, Kun Bai, Prasenjit Mitra, C. Lee Giles	Model Counting Session Chair: Toby Walsh Approximate Counting by Sampling the Backtrack-free Search Space Vibhav Gogate, Rina Dechter Using More Reasoning to Improve #SAT Solving Jessica Davies, Fahiem Bacchus Counting CSP Solutions Using Generalized XOR Constraints Carla P. Gomes, Willem-Jan van Hoeve, Ashish Sabharwal, Bart Selman	Description Logics-2 (Stanley, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Diego Calvenese Description Logics for Multi-Issue Bilateral Negotiation with Incomplete Information Azzurra Ragone, Tommaso Di Noia, Eugenio Di Sciascio, Francesco M. Donini On the Approximation of Instance Level Update and Erasure in Description Logics Giuseppe De Giacomo, Maurizio Lenzerini, Antonella Poggi, Riccardo Rosati On Capturing Semantics in Ontology Mapping B. Hu, S. Dasmahapatra, P. Lewis, N. Shadbolt	Learning Semantics from Text Session Chair: Shieu-Hong Lin Learning Language Semantics from Ambiguous Supervision Rohit J. Kate, Raymond J. Mooney  A Robot That Uses Existing Vocabulary to Infer Non-Visual Word Meanings from Observation Kevin Gold, Brian Scassellati  Nectar: Modeling and Learning Vague Event Durations for Temporal Reasoning Feng Pan, Rutu Mulkar-Mehta, Jerry R. Hobbs
EVENING	Coffee breaks will be held at 10:00 – 10:20 AM and 4:00 – 4:20 PM. The lunch break will be held from 12:30 – 1:50 PM.  AAAI-07 Poster Demo Reception, 6:30–10:00 PM			

	REGENCY D / GROUSE	GEORGIA B	REGENCY E / CYPRESS	REGENCY B
9:00-10:00 AM	AAAI-O7 Invited Talk (Regency D) Introduction by Jeff Rosenschein Logic for Automated Mechanism Design—A Progress Report Michael Wooldridge (University of Liverpool, UK)			IAAI-07: Agents Session Chair: Nestor Rychtyckyj Deployed: Coordinating Hundreds of Coopera- tive, Autonomous Vehicles in Warehouses P. Wurman, R. D'Andrea, Mick Mountz Emerging: A Multi-Agent Approach to Distributed Rendering Optimization C. Gonzalez-Morcillo, G. Weiss, L. Jimenez, D. Vallejo
10:20-11:20 AM	Agents Modeling Other Agents (Regency D) Session Chair: Shlomo Zilberstein Approximate Solutions of Interactive Dynamic Influence Diagrams Using Model Clustering Yifeng Zeng, Prashant Doshi, Qiongyu Chen Minimal Mental Models David V. Pynadath, Stacy C. Marsella Incorporating Observer Biases in Keyhole Plan Recognition (Efficiently!) Dorit Avrahami-Zilberbrand, Gal A. Kaminka	Sensor-Based Systems Session Chair: Maria Gini Nectar: Dominance and Equivalence for Sensor-Based Agents Jason M. O'Kane, Steven M. LaValle Topological Mapping with Weak Sensory Data Gregory Dudek, Dimitri Marinakis Simple Robots with Minimal Sensing: From Local Visibility to Global Geometry Subhash Suri, Elias Vicari, Peter Widmayer	Al in Art and Science (Regency E) Session Chair: TBA Recognition of Hand Drawn Chemical Diagrams Tom Y. Ouyang, Randall Davis Posterior Probability Profiles for the Automated Assessment of the Recovery of Stroke Patients Gert Van Dijck, Jo Van Vaerenbergh, Marc M. Van Hulle A Corpus-Based Hybrid Approach to Music Analysis and Composition Bill Manaris, Patrick Roos, Penousal Machado, Dwight Krehbiel, Luca Pellicoro, Juan Romero	IAAI-07 Invited Talk Robert S. Engelmore Memorial Award Lecture AI in a Moore's Law World: The Stories of Farecast and KnowltAll Oren Etzioni (University of Washington)
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Multiagent Coordination (Regency D) Session Chair: Iyad Rahwan Anytime Coordination Using Separable Bilinear Programs Marek Petrik, Shlomo Zilberstein A Logical Theory of Coordination and Joint Ability Hojjat Ghaderi, Hector Levesque, Yves Lespérance Anytime Optimal Coalition Structure Generation Talal Rahwan, Sarvapali D. Ramchum, Viet D. Dang, Andrea Giovannucci, Nicholas R. Jennings	Games-1 Session Chair: Rich Korf Visualization and Adjustment of Evaluation Functions Based on Evaluation Values and Win Probability Shogo Takeuchi, Tomoyuki Kaneko, Kazunori Yamaguchi, Satoru Kawai Heuristic Evaluation Functions for General Game Playing James Clune Fluxplayer: A Successful General Game Player Stephan Schiffel, Michael Thielscher	Integrated Intelligence: Producing Pictures or Songs (Regency E) Session Chair: Bryan Loyall A Text-to-Picture Synthesis System for Augmenting Communication Xiaojin Zhu, Andrew B. Goldberg, Mohamed Eldawy, Charles R. Dyer, Bradley Strock An Intelligent System for Chinese Calligraphy Songhua Xu, Hao Jiang, Francis C. M. Lau, Yunhe Pan Learning to Sing Like a Bird: The Self-Supervised Acquisition of Birdsong Michael H. Coen	IAAI-O7: Decision Support Session Chair: Reid Smith Deployed: MasDISPO: A Multiagent Decision Support System for Steel Production and Control Sven Jacobi, Esteban León-Soto, Cristián Madrigal-Mora, Klaus Fischer Emerging: Optimizing Anthrax Outbreak Detection Using Reinforcement Learning Masoumeh T. Izadi, David L. Buckeridge
1:50-2:50 PM	Mechanism Design-2 (Grouse, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Jeff Rosenschein Partial Revelation Automated Mechanism Design Nathanaël Hyafil, Craig Boutilier Strongly Decomposable Voting Rules on Multiattribute Domains Lirong Xia, Jérôme Lang, Mingsheng Ying Liull and Copeland Voting Broadly Resist Bribery and Control Piotr Faliszewski, Edith Hemaspaandra, Lane A. Hemaspaandra, Jörg Rothe	Games-2 Session Chair: Nathan Sturtevant M²ICAL Analyses HC-Gammon Wee-Chong Oon, Martin Henz Potential-Aware Automated Abstraction of Sequential Games, and Hollstic Equilibrium Analysis of Texas Hold'em Poker Andrew Gilpin, Tuomas Sandholm, Troels Bjerre Sørensen Particle Filtering for Dynamic Agent Modeling in Simplified Poker Nolan Bard, Michael Bowling	Probabilistic Methods-2 (Cypress, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Thomas Lukasiewicz Logical Generative Models for Probabilistic Reasoning about Existence, Roles and Identity David Poole  Efficient Structure Learning in Factored-State MDPs Alexander L. Strehl, Carlos Diuk, Michael L. Littman Authorial Idioms for Target Distributions in TTD-MDPs David L. Roberts, Sooraj Bhat, Kenneth St. Clair, Charles L. Isbell	IAAI-07: Business Automation Session Chair: Samy Uthurusamy Deployed: The VITA Financial Services Sales Support Environment Alexander Felfernig, Klaus Isak, Kalman Szabo, Peter Zachar Deployed: Custom DU®—A Web Based Business User Driven Automated Underwriting System Srinivas Krowidy, Robin Landsman, Steve Opdahl, Nancy Templeton, Sydnor Smalera
3:00-4:00 PM	Scheduling (Grouse, 34th Floor) Session Chair: David E. Smith Understanding Performance Tradeoffs in Algorithms for Solving Oversubscribed Scheduling Laurence A. Kramer, Laura V. Barbulescu, Stephen F. Smith Randomized Adaptive Spatial Decoupling for Large-Scale Vehicle Routing with Time Windows Russell Bent, Pascal Van Hentenryck Population-Based Simulated Annealing for Traveling Tournaments Pascal Van Hentenryck, Yannis Vergados	Games-3 Session Chair: Bryan Loyall Acquiring Visibly Intelligent Behavior with Example-Guided Neuroevolution Bobby D. Bryant, Risto Miikkulainen Nectar: Beyond Individualism: Modeling Team Playing Behavior in Robot Soccer through Case-Based Reasoning Raquel Ros, Manuela Veloso, Ramon López de Mántaras, Carles Sierra, Josep Lluis Arcos Il: R-CAST: Integrating Team Intelligence for Human-Centered Teamwork Xiaocong Fan, John Yen	Cognitive/Brain Models (Cypress, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Bill Swartout Senior Member: On the Prospects for Building a Working Model of the Visual Cortex Thomas Dean, Glenn Carroll, Richard Washington A Connectionist Cognitive Model for Temporal Synchronisation and Learning Luís C. Lamb, Rafael V. Borges, Artur S. d'Avila Garcez Towards a Cognitive Model of Crowd Behavior Based on Social Comparison Theory Natalie Fridman, Gal A. Kaminka	IAAI-07: Human Computer Interaction Session Chair: Randy Hill Deployed: Enabling Intelligent Content Discovery on the Mobile Internet Barry Smyth, Paul Cotter, Stephen Oman Emerging: Supporting Feedback and Assessment of Digital Ink Answers to In-Class Exercises Kimberle Koile, Kevin Chevalier, Michel Rbeiz, Adam Rogal, David Singer, Jordan Sorensen, Amanda Smith, Kah Seng Tay, Kenneth Wu
4:20-5:20 PM	Trading/Negotiating Agents (Grouse, 34th Floor) Session Chair: John Collins Efficient Statistical Methods for Evaluating Trading Agent Performance Eric Sodomka, John Collins, Maria Gini Allocating Goods on a Graph to Eliminate Envy Yann Chevaleyre, Ulle Endriss, Nicolas Maudet Gender-Sensitive Automated Negotiators Ron Katz, Sarit Kraus	Robots that Learn Session Chair: Benjamin Kuipers Autonomous Development of a Grounded Object Ontology by a Learning Robot Joseph Modayil, Benjamin Kuipers Stochastic Filtering in a Probabilistic Action Model Hannaneh Hajishirzi, Eyal Amir Detecting Execution Failures Using Learned Action Models Maria Fox, Jonathan Gough, Derek Long	Diagnosis (Cypress, 34th Floor) Session Chair: Martin Sachenbacher A Qualitative Approach to Multiple Fault Isolation in Continuous Systems Matthew Daigle, Xenofon Koutsoukos, Gautam Biswas Nectar: Efficient Datalog Abduction through Bounded Treewidth Georg Gottlob, Reinhard Pichler, Fang Wei A Spectrum of Symbolic On-line Diagnosis Approaches Anika Schumann, Yannick Pencolé, Sylvie Thiébaux	IAAI-07: Planning and Workflow Session Chair: Reid Smith Emerging: Optimal Multi-Agent Scheduling with Constraint Programming Willem-Jan van Hoeve, Carla P. Gomes, Bart Selman, Michele Lombardi Emerging: Wings for Pegasus: Creating Large-Scale Scientific Applications Using Semantic Representations of Computational Workflows Yolanda Gil, Varun Ratnakar, Ewa Deelman, Gaurang Mehta, Jihie Kim
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AAAI-07 Poster Demo Reception, 6:30-10:00 PM

	REGENCY A	REGENCY C	REGENCY F	GEORGIA A
9:00-10:00 AM		AAAI-O7 Invited Talk Introduction by Reid Simmons Moving Toward Peer-to-Peer Human-Robot Inter- action Alan C. Schultz (Naval Research Laboratory)		
10:20-11:20 AM	Al and the Web: Extraction and Understanding Session Chair: Chris Welty Harvesting Relations from the Web— Quantifying the Impact of Filtering Functions Sebastian Blohm, Philipp Cimiano, Egon Stemle Template-Independent News Extraction Based on Visual Consistency Shuyi Zheng, Ruihua Song, Ji-Rong Wen Comprehending and Generating Apt Metaphors: A Web-driven, Case-based Approach to Figurative Language Tony Veale, Yanfen Hao	NL Summarization and Interfaces Session Chair: TBA Turning Lectures into Comic Books Using Linguistically Salient Gestures Jacob Eisenstein, Regina Barzilay, Randall Davis Single Document Summarization with Document Expansion Xiaojun Wan, Jianwu Yang Enabling Domain-Awareness for a Generic Natural Language Interface Yunyao Li, Ishan Chaudhuri, Huahai Yang, Satinder Singh, H. V. Jagadish	Modal Logic Session Chair: Yves Lesperance Probabilistic Modal Logic Afsaneh Shirazi, Eyal Amir Prime Implicates and Prime Implicants in Modal Logic Meghyn Bienvenu The Modal Logic S4F, the Default Logic, and the Logic Here-and-There Miroslaw Truszczynski	Training Sample Selection Session Chair: Dragos Margineantu Active Algorithm Selection Fellong Chen, Rong Jin Actively Exploring Creation of Face Space(s) for Improved Face Recognition Nitesh V. Chawla, Kevin W. Bowyer Nectar: Informed Case Base Maintenance: A Complexity Profiling Approach Susan Craw, Stewart Massie, Nirmalie Wiratunga
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Al and the Web: Reputation and Sentiment Session Chair: TBA Unsupervised Shilling Detection for Collaborative Filtering B. Mehta Mobile Service for Reputation Extraction from Weblogs—Public Experiment and Evaluation T. Kawamura, S. Nagano, M. Inaba, Y. Mizoguchi The Impact of Time on the Accuracy of Sentiment Classifiers Created from a Web Log Corpus K. Durant, M. Smith	NL Analysis Session Chair: James Fan Disambiguating Noun Compounds Su Nam Kim, Timothy Baldwin Content Analysis for Proactive Intelligence: Marshaling Frame Evidence A. Sanfilippo, A. Cowell, S. Tratz, A. Boek, A. Cowell, C. Posse, L. Pouchard Mining Sequential Patterns and Tree Patterns to Detect Erroneous Sentences Guihua Sun, Gao Cong, Xiaohua Liu, Chin-Yew Lin, Ming Zhou	Argumentation Session Chair: Iyad Rahwan Action-Based Alternating Transition Systems for Arguments about Action Katie Atkinson, Trevor Bench-Capon Reasoning from Desires to Intentions: A Dialectical Framework Nicolás D. Rotstein, Alejandro J. García, Guillermo R. Simari Real Arguments are Approximate Arguments Anthony Hunter	Machine Learning Session Chair: Kiri Wagstaff Nectar: Learning by Combining Observations and User Edits Vittorio Castelli, Lawrence Bergman, Daniel Oblinger Multi-Label Learning by Instance Differentiation Min-Ling Zhang, Zhi-Hua Zhou
1:50-2:50 PM	Al and the Web: Social Networks Session Chair: Mark Greaves Extracting Influential Nodes for Information Diffusion on a Social Network Masahiro Kimura, Kazumi Saito, Ryohei Nakano Temporal and Information Flow Based Event Detection from Social Text Streams Qiankun Zhao, Prasenjit Mitra, Bi Chen Analyzing Reading Behavior by Blog Mining Tadanobu Furukawa, Mitsuru Ishizuka, Yutaka Matsuo, Ikki Ohmukai, Koki Uchiyama	Decision Diagrams Session Chair: TBA Knowledge Compilation Properties of Tree-of-BDDs Sathiamoorthy Subbarayan, Lucas Bordeaux, Youssef Hamadi Compressing Configuration Data for Memory Limited Devices Esben Rune Hansen, Peter Tiedemann Interactive Configuration with Regular String Constraints Esben Rune Hansen, Henrik Reif Andersen	Theory Merging Session Chair: Dongmo Zhang A Model-based Approach for Merging Prioritized Knowledge Bases in Possibilistic Logic Guilin Qi Generality and Equivalence Relations in Default Logic Katsumi Inoue, Chiaki Sakama Equilibria in Heterogeneous Nonmonotonic Multi-Context Systems Gerhard Brewka, Thomas Eiter	Reinforcement Learning-2 Session Chair: Shimon Whiteson Efficient Reinforcement Learning with Relocatable Action Models Bethany R. Leffler, Michael L. Littman, Timothy Edmunds Active Imitation Learning Aaron P. Shon, Deepak Verma, Rajesh P. N. Rao Abstraction in Predictive State Representations Vishal Soni, Satinder Singh
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	REGENCY D	GEORGIA B	REGENCY E	REGENCY B
9:00-10:00 AM	AAAI-07 Invited Talk Introduction by Francesca Rossi Representing and Reasoning about Preferences Toby Walsh (NICTA and University of New South Wales)			
10:20-11:20 AM	Distributed AI Session Chair: John Collins Centralized, Distributed or Something Else? Making Timely Decisions in Multi-Agent Systems Tim Harbers, Rajiv T. Maheswaran, Pedro Szekely Automatic Synthesis of a Global Behavior from Multiple Distributed Behaviors Sebastian Sardina, Fabio Patrizi, Giuseppe De Giacomo  Agent Influence as a Predictor of Difficulty for Decentralized Problem-Solving Martin Allen, Shlomo Zilberstein	Planning Representation Issues Session Chair: Jussi Rintanen Action-Space Partitioning for Planning Natalia H. Gardiol, Leslie Pack Kaelbling Concurrent Action Execution with Shared Fluents Michael Buro, Alexander Kovarsky A Situation-Calculus Semantics for an Expressive Fragment of PDDL Jens Claßen, Yuxiao Hu, Gerhard Lakemeyer	Probabilistic Methods-3 Session Chair: Xiaojin Zhu Macroscopic Models of Clique Tree Growth for Bayesian Networks Ole J. Mengshoel Nectar: A Kernel Approach to Comparing Distributions Arthur Gretton, Karsten M. Borgwardt, Malte Rasch, Bernhard Schölkopf, Alexander J. Smola Learning Graphical Model Structure Using L1-Regularization Paths Mark Schmidt, Alexandru Niculescu-Mizil, Kevin Murphy	IAAI-07 Invited Talk Big "A," Small "I": Smart Ends from Simple Means Matt Brown (Maxis / Electronic Arts)
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Game Theory-2 Session Chair: Kevin Leyton-Brown AAAI-O7 Outstanding Paper: Thresholded Rewards: Acting Optimally in Timed, Zero-Sum Games Colin McMillen, Manuela Veloso Computational Complexity of Weighted Threshold Games Edith Elkind, Leslie Ann Goldberg, Paul Goldberg, Michael Wooldridge A Unification of Extensive-Form Games and Markov Decision Processes H. Brendan McMahan, Geoffrey J. Gordon	Optimization Session Chair: Xiaojin Zhu Nectar: Near-optimal Observation Selection Using Submodular Functions Andreas Krause, Carlos Guestrin Solving a Stochastic Queueing Design and Control Problem with Constraint Programming Daria Terekhov, J. Christopher Beck, Kenneth N. Brown  Evolutionary and Lifetime Learning in Varying NK Fitness Landscape Changing Environments: An Analysis of Both Fitness and Diversity Dara Curran, Colm O'Riordan, Humphrey Sorensen	Integrated Intelligence: Integration Issues Session Chair: Nick Cassimatis Extending Cognitive Architecture with Episodic Memory Andrew M. Nuxoll, John E. Laird Towards an Integrated Robot with Multiple Cognitive Functions N. Hawes, A. Sloman, J. Wyatt, M. Zillich, H. Jacobsson, G. Kruijff, M. Brenner, G. Berginc, D. Skocaj An Architecture for Adaptive Algorithmic Hybrids Nicholas Cassimatis, Magdalena Bugajska, Scott Dugas, Arthi Murugesan, Paul Bello	IAAI-O7: Agents in Virtual Environments Session Chair: Bill Cheetham Emerging: An Integrated Development Environment and Architecture for Soar-Based Agents Ari Yakir, Gal Kaminka Emerging: RETALIATE: Learning Winning Policies in First-Person Shooter Games Megan Smith, Stephen Lee-Urban, Héctor Muñoz-Avila
1:50-2:50 PM	Game Theory-3 Session Chair: Sam leong Computing Pure Nash Equilibria in Symmetric Action Graph Games Albert Xin Jiang, Kevin Leyton-Brown The Impact of Network Topology on Pure Nash Equilibria in Graphical Games Bistra Dilkina, Carla P. Gomes, Ashish Sabharwal Learning Voting Trees Ariel D. Procaccia, Aviv Zohar, Yoni Peleg, Jeffrey S. Rosenschein	Heuristic Search-3 Session Chair: Sven Koenig Inconsistent Heuristics Uzi Zahavi, Ariel Felner, Jonathan Schaeffer, Nathan Sturtevant Analyzing the Performance of Pattern Database Heuristics Richard E. Korf Nectar: A* Search via Approximate Factoring Aria Haghighi, John DeNero, Dan Klein	Knowledge Base Construction Session Chair: James Fan ASKNet: Automated Semantic Knowledge Network Brian Harrington, Stephen Clark Learning Large Scale Common Sense Models of Everyday Life W. Pentney, M. Philipose, J. Bilmes, H. Kautz Learning by Reading: A Prototype System, Performance Baseline and Lessons Learned K. Barker, B. Agashe, S. Chaw, J. Fan, N. Friedland, M. Glass, J. Hobbs, E. Hovy, D. Israel, D. Kim, R. Mulkar-Mehta, S. Patwardhan, B. Porter, D. Tecuci, P. Yeh	IAAI-O7: Machine Learning II Session Chair: Nestor Rychtyckyj Emerging: Adaptive Traitor Tracing with Bayesian Networks Philip Zigoris, Hongxia Jin Deployed: Fish Inspection System Using a Parallel Neural Network Chip and Image Knowledge Builder Application Anne Menendez, Guy Paillet
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# AAAI-07 Poster Session

The poster session will be held Wednesday, July 25, in the Regency Ballroom, from 6:30-10:00 PM.

#### Agents, Game Theory, Auctions, and Mechanism Design

- Implementing the Maximum of Monotone Algorithms. Liad Blumrosen
- The Impact of Network Topology on Pure Nash Equilibria in Graphical Games. Bistra Dilkina, Carla P. Gomes, Ashish Sabharwal
- Real Arguments are Approximate Arguments. Anthonv Hunter
- On the Reasoning Patterns of Agents in Games. Avi Pfeffer, Ya'akov Gal
- Reasoning about Bargaining Situations. Dongmo Zhang

#### Constraints and Satisfiability

- Interactive Configuration with Regular String Constraints. Esben Rune Hansen, Henrik Reif Ander-
- Conservative Dual Consistency. Christophe Lecoutre, Stéphane Cardon, Julien Vion
- Solving a Stochastic Queueing Design and Control Problem with Constraint Programming. Daria Terekhov, J. Christopher Beck, Kenneth N. Brown
- Population-Based Simulated Annealing for Traveling Tournaments. Pascal Van Hentenryck, Yannis

#### Knowledge and Information Systems

- Learning by Reading: A Prototype System, Performance Baseline and Lessons Learned. Ken Barker, Bhalchandra Agashe, Shaw-Yi Chaw, James Fan. Noah Friedland, Michael Glass, Jerry Hobbs, Eduard Hovy, David Israel, Doo Soon Kim, Rutu Mulkar-Mehta, Sourabh Patwardhan, Bruce Porter, Dan Tecuci, Peter Yeh
- A Temporal Mereology for Distinguishing between Integral Objects and Portions of Stuff. Thomas Bittner, Maureen Donnelly
- Learning Causal Models for Noisy Biological Data Mining: An Application to Ovarian Cancer Detection. Ghim-Eng Yap, Ah-Hwee Tan, Hwee-Hwa Pang

#### **Knowledge Representation and Logic**

- Equilibria in Heterogeneous Nonmonotonic Multi-Context Systems. Gerhard Brewka, Thomas Eiter
- Answering Regular Path Queries in Expressive Description Logics: An Automata-Theoretic Approach. Diego Calvanese, Thomas Eiter, Magdalena Ortiz
- Discovering Near Symmetry in Graphs. Maria Fox, Derek Long, Julie Porteous
- Belief Change and Cryptographic Protocol Verification, Aaron Hunter, James P. Delgrande
- Facts Do Not Cease to Exist Because They Are Ignored: Relativised Uniform Equivalence with Answer-Set Projection. Johannes Oetsch, Hans Tompits, Stefan Woltran
- A Generalized Gelfond-Lifschitz Transformation for Logic Programs with Abstract Constraints. Yi-Dong Shen, Jia-Huai You
- Knowledge Compilation Properties of Tree-of-BDDs. Sathiamoorthy Subbarayan, Lucas Bordeaux, Youssef Hamadi

#### Machine Learning

A Method for Large-Scale I<sub>1</sub>-Regularized Logistic Regression. Kwangmoo Koh, Seung-Jean Kim, Stephen Boyd

#### Multiagents

A New Algorithm for Generating Equilibria in Massive Zero-Sum Games. Martin Zinkevich, Michael Bowling, Neil Burch

#### **Multidisciplinary Topics and Applications**

- A Corpus-Based Hybrid Approach to Music Analysis and Composition. Bill Manaris, Patrick Roos, Penousal Machado, Dwight Krehbiel, Luca Pellicoro, Juan Romero
- Recognition of Hand Drawn Chemical Diagrams. Tom Y. Ouyang, Randall Davis
- Authorial Idioms for Target Distributions in TTD-MDPs. David L. Roberts, Sooraj Bhat, Kenneth St. Clair. Charles L. Isbell
- Humans Perform Semisupervised Classification Too. Xiaojin Zhu, Timothy Rogers, Ruichen Qian, Chuck Kalish

#### Natural-Language Processing

A Robot That Uses Existing Vocabulary to Infer Non-Visual Word Meanings from Observation. Kevin Gold, Brian Scassellati

#### Robotics and Perception

Hybrid Inference for Sensor Network Localization Using a Mobile Robot. Dimitrios Marinakis, David Meger, Ioannis Rekleitis, Gregory Dudek

#### Search and Metareasoning

- Heuristic Evaluation Functions for General Game Playing. James Clune
- Anytime Optimal Coalition Structure Generation. Talal Rahwan, Sarvapali D. Ramchurn, Viet D. Dang, Andrea Giovannucci, Nicholas R. Jennings
- Combining Multiple Heuristics Online. Matthew Streeter, Daniel Golovin, Stephen F. Smith
- Inconsistent Heuristics. Uzi Zahavi, Ariel Felner, Jonathan Schaeffer, Nathan Sturtevant

#### Uncertainty in Al

- VOILA: Efficient Feature-value Acquisition for Classification. Mustafa Bilgic, Lise Getoor
- Computing Optimal Subsets. Maxim Binshtok, Ronen I. Brafman, Solomon E. Shimony, Ajay Martin, Craig Boutilier
- AAAI-07 Outstanding Paper: Thresholded Rewards: Acting Optimally in Timed, Zero-Sum Games. Colin McMillen, Manuela Veloso
- Generalized Evidence Pre-propagated Importance Sampling for Hybrid Bayesian Networks. Changhe Yuan, Marek J. Druzdzel

#### Special Track on Artificial Intelligence and the Web

- A Semantic Importing Approach to Knowledge Reuse from Multiple Ontologies. Jie Bao, Giora Slutzki, Vasant Honavar
- Mobile Service for Reputation Extraction from Weblogs—Public Experiment and Evaluation. Takahiro Kawamura, Shinichi Nagano, Masumi Inaba, Yumiko Mizoguchi
- SUNNY: A New Algorithm for Trust Inference in Social Networks Using Probabilistic Confidence Models. Ugur Kuter, Jennifer Golbeck
- From Whence Does Your Authority Come? Utilizing Community Relevance in Ranking. Lan Nie, Brian D. Davison, Baoning Wu
- Deriving a Large-Scale Taxonomy from Wikipedia. Simone Paolo Ponzetto, Michael Strube
- Design of a Mechanism for Promoting Honesty in E-Marketplaces. Jie Zhang, Robin Cohen

#### Special Track on Integrated Intelligence

- AAAI-07 Outstanding Paper: PLOW: A Collaborative Task Learning Agent. James Allen, Nathanael Chambers, George Ferguson, Lucian Galescu, Hyuckchul Jung, Mary Swift, William Taysom
- An Architecture for Adaptive Algorithmic Hybrids. Nicholas Cassimatis, Magdalena Bugajska, Scott

- Dugas, Arthi Murugesan, Paul Bello
- Integrating Natural Language, Knowledge Representation and Reasoning, and Analogical Processing to Learn by Reading. Kenneth D. Forbus, Christopher Riesbeck, Lawrence Birnbaum, Kevin Livingston, Abhishek Sharma, Leo Ureel
- Towards an Integrated Robot with Multiple Cognitive Functions. Nick Hawes, Aaron Sloman, Jeremy Wyatt, Michael Zillich, Henrik Jacobsson, Geert-Jan M. Kruijff, Michael Brenner, Gregor Berginc, Danijel Skocaj
- Spatial Representation and Reasoning for Human-Robot Collaboration. William G. Kennedy, Magdalena D. Bugajska, Matthew Marge, William Adams, Benjamin R. Fransen, Dennis Perzanowski, Alan C. Schultz, J. Gregory Trafton
- An Integrated Robotic System for Spatial Understanding and Situated Interaction in Indoor Environments. Hendrik Zender, Patric Jensfelt, Óscar Martínez Mozos, Geert-Jan M. Kruijff, Wolfram Burgard

#### New Scientific and Technical Advances in Research (NECTAR)

- Online Collective Entity Resolution. Indrajit Bhattacharya, Lise Getoor
- Using Eye-Tracking Data for High-Level User Modeling in Adaptive Interfaces. Cristina Conati, Christina Merten, Saleema Amershi, Kasia Muldner
- Informed Case Base Maintenance: A Complexity Profiling Approach. Susan Craw, Stewart Massie, Nirmalie Wiratunga
- The Pyramid Match: Efficient Learning with Partial Correspondences. Kristen Grauman
- A\* Search via Approximate Factoring. Aria Haghighi, John DeNero, Dan Klein
- Modeling and Learning Vague Event Durations for Temporal Reasoning. Feng Pan, Rutu Mulkar-Mehta, Jerry R. Hobbs
- Learning and Inference for Hierarchically Split PCFGs. Slav Petrov, Dan Klein
- Refutation by Randomised General Resolution. Steven Prestwich, Inês Lynce

#### Student Abstracts

- Data Clustering with a Relational Push-Pull Model. Adam Anthony, Marie desJardins
- UNDERTOW: Multi-Level Segmentation of Real-Valued Time Series. Tom Armstrong, Tim Oates
- Explanation Support for the Case-Based Reasoning Tool myCBR. Daniel Bahls, Thomas Roth-Berghofer
- A Markovian Model for Dynamic and Constrained Resource Allocation Problems. Camille Besse, Brahim Chaib-draa
- Implementing Modal Extensions of Defeasible Logic for the Semantic Web. Nikos Dimaresis, Grigoris Antoniou
- Ungreedy Methods for Chinese Deterministic Dependency Parsing. Xiangyu Duan, Jun Zhao, Bo Xu
- Using Multiresolution Learning for Transfer in Image Classification. Eric Eaton, Marie des Jardins, John Stevenson
- Robust Estimation of 3-D Line Segments from Satellite Images for Model Building and Change Detection. Ibrahim Eden, David B. Cooper
- Classifiers Fusion for EEG Signals Processing in Human-Computer Interface Systems. Marvam Esmaeili
- On Policy Learning in Restricted Policy Spaces. Robby Goetschalckx, Jan Ramon
- Two Approaches for Building an Unsupervised Dependency Parser and Their Other Applications. Jagadeesh Gorla, Amit Goyal, Rajeev Sangal

- ASKNet: Automated Semantic Knowledge Network. Brian Harrington
- TeamTalk: A Platform for Multi-Human-Robot Dialog Research in Coherent Real and Virtual Spaces. Thomas K. Harris, Alexander I. Rudnicky
- Reputation in the Venture Games. Philip Hendrix. Barbara J. Grosz
- Evolutionary Rhythm Composition with Trajectorybased Fitness Evaluation. John Huddleston, Jian-
- Identifying Protein Interaction Abstracts with Contextual Bag of Words. Hsi-Chuan Hung, Richard Tzong-Han Tsai, Wen-Lian Hsu
- Modeling User Perception of Interaction Opportunities in Collaborative Human-Computer Settings. Ece Kamar, Barbara J. Grosz, David Sarne
- Towards an Adaptive Approach for Distributed Resource Allocation in a Multi-agent System for Solving Dynamic Vehicle Routing Problems. Igor Kiselev, Andrey Glaschenko, Alexander Chevelev, Petr Skobelev
- On Possible Applications of Rough Mereology to Handling Granularity in Ontological Knowledge. Pavel Klinov, Lawrence J. Mazlack
- Fuzzy Set Theory-Based Belief Processing for Natural Language Texts. Ralf Krestel, René Witte, Sabine
- Knowledge-Driven Learning and Discovery. Benjamin Lambert, Scott E. Fahlman
- Reinforcement Using Supervised Learning for Policy Generalization. Julien Laumonier
- Aggregating User-Centered Rankings to Improve Web Search. Lin Li, Zhenglu Yang, Masaru Kitsuregawa
- Recommending Travel Packages Upon Distributed Knowledge. Fabiana Lorenzi, Ana L.C. Bazzan, Mara Abel
- BlogVox: Learning Sentiment Classifiers. Justin Martineau, Akshay Java, Pranam Kolari, Tim Finin, Anupam Joshi, James Mayfield
- Impromptu Teams of Heterogeneous Mobile Robots. Ross Mead, Jerry B. Weinberg
- Time-Delay Neural Networks and Independent Component Analysis for EEG-Based Prediction of Epileptic Seizures Propagation, Piotr W. Mirowski. Deepak Madhavan, Yann LeCun

- Using Iterated Best-Response to Find Bayes-Nash Equilibria in Auctions. Victor Naroditskiy, Amy
- The Marchitecture: A Cognitive Architecture for a Robot Baby. Marc Pickett I, Tim Oates
- Integrative Construction and Analysis of Conditionspecific Biological Networks. Sushmita Roy, Terran Lane, Margaret Werner-Washburne
- Extracting Student Models for Intelligent Tutoring Systems, John C. Stamper, Tiffany Barnes, Marvin Crov
- Unscented Message Passing for Arbitrary Continuous Variables in Bayesian Networks. Wei Sun, Kuo-Chu Chang
- An Investigation into Computational Recognition of Children's Jokes. Julia M. Taylor, Lawrence J. Ma-
- Representation Transfer via Elaboration. Matthew E. Taylor, Peter Stone
- Situated Conversational Agents. Will Thompson
- Scaling Up: Solving POMDPs through Value Based Clustering. Yan Virin, Guy Shani, Solomon E. Shimony, Ronen I. Brafman
- Learn to Compress and Restore Sequential Data. Yi Wang, Jianhua Feng, Shixia Liu
- Interest-Matching Comparisons Using CP-nets. Andrew W. Wicker. Jon Dovle
- Counting Models Using Extension Rules. Minghao Yin, Hai Lin, Jigui Sun
- User Model and Utility Based Power Management. Yu, Shie Chih-Han Mannor. Theocharous, Avi Pfeffer
- Measuring the Uncertainty of Differences for Contrasting Groups. Jilian Zhang, Shichao Zhang, Xiaofeng Zhu, Xindong Wu, Chengqi Zhang
- Cost-Sensitive Imputing Missing Values with Ordering. Xiaofeng Zhu, Shichao Zhang, Jilian Zhang, Chengqi Zhang

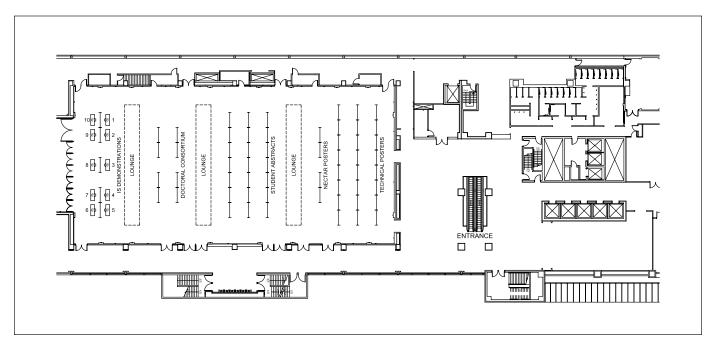
#### **Doctoral Consortium Abstracts**

- Continuous State POMDPs for Object Manipulation Tasks. Emma Brunskill
- Approximate Inference in Probabilistic Graphical Models with Determinism. Vibhav Gogate

- Handling Non-Sentential Utterances in a Continuous Understanding Framework. Carlos Gómez Gallo
- ASKNet: Automatically Generating Semantic Knowledge Networks. Brian Harrington
- A Framework for Modeling Influence, Opinions and Structure in Social Media. Akshay Java
- Empirical Game-Theoretic Methods for Strategy Design and Analysis in Complex Games. Christopher Kiekintveld
- Using Spatial Language in Multi-Modal Knowledge Capture. Kate Lockwood
- Responding to Student Affect and Efficacy through Empathetic Companion Agents in Interactive Learning Environments. Scott W. McQuiggan
- The Übercruncher: Concept Formation by Analogy Discovery. Marc Pickett I
- Harnessing Algorithm Bias in Classical Planning. Mark Roberts
- Reacting to Agreement and Error in Spoken Dialogue Systems Using Degrees of Groundedness. Antonio Roque
- A Framework for Ontology-Based Service Selection in Dynamic Environments, Murat Sensov
- Flexible Provisioning of Service Workflows. Sebas-
- Autonomous Inter-Task Transfer in Reinforcement Learning Domains. Matthew E. Taylor
- Predictive Exploration for Autonomous Science. David R. Thompson
- Spatial Reference Resolution for an Embodied Dialogue Agent. Timothy Weale
- An Incentive Mechanism for Promoting Honesty in E-Marketplaces. Jie Zhang

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# **Exhibit Program**

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# **Intelligent Systems Demonstrations**

The Intelligent Systems Demonstrations will be held Wednesday, July 25, in the Regency Ballroom, from 6:30-10:00 PM.

Continuing advances in artificial intelligence research are making it possible to develop intelligent systems in a wide range of application areas. The AAAI-07 Intelligent Systems Demonstrations program showcases state-of-the-art Al implementations and provides AI researchers with an opportunity to show applications of their research in action. The program is intended to highlight innovative contributions to the science of Al with an emphasis on the benefits to be gained from developing and using implemented systems in Al research.

This year's demonstrations cover a broad range of domains: game playing, semantic web, distributed optimization, intelligent tutors, and more. System builders will be on hand to present their work. All that is needed to make this evening a big success is your active exploration of these interactive systems!

Table #6

## AURA: Enabling Domain Experts to Construct Declarative Knowledge Bases from Science Textbooks

Ken Barker (University of Texas at Austin), Vinay Chaudhri (SRI International), Shaw-Yi Chaw (University of Texas at Austin), Peter E. Clark (The Boeing Company), Daniel Hansch (Ontoprise), Bonnie John (Carnegie Mellon University), Sunil Mishra (SRI International), John Pacheco (SRI International), Bruce Porter (University of Texas at Austin), Aaron Spaulding (SRI International), Moritz Weiten (Ontoprise)

We will demonstrate the AURA system that can enable students in physics, chemistry, and biology to author knowledge in a college level science textbook in a way that the resulting knowledge base can be used to answer questions from an Advanced Placement examination in the respective discipline. The system supports a knowledge formulation interface based on concept maps, equations. tables and a query formulation interface based on controlled English. We will also demonstrate a semantic wiki application for collaborative knowledge formulation and show how users can map large amounts of the wiki's knowledge into AURA.

Table #1

# A Demonstration of ScriptEase Interruptible and Resumable Behaviors for CRPGs

Maria Cutumisu, Duane Szafron, Jonathan Schaeffer, Kevin Waugh, Curtis Onuczko, Jeff Siegel, Allan Schumacher (University of Alber-

We developed a behavior model based on generative design patterns for intelligent non-player characters (NPCs) using ScriptEase that solves the difficult problem of interacting NPCs and of interruptible and resumable behaviors. We demonstrate how this model generates complex NPC behaviors from behavior patterns in a commercial game without writing code.

Table #2

## A Deployed Semantically-Enabled Interdisciplinary Virtual Observatory

Deborah McGuinness (Stanford University and McGuinness Associates), Peter Fox (National Center for Atmospheric Research), Luca Cinquini (National Center for Atmospheric Research), Patrick West (National Center for Atmospheric Research), Jose Garcia (National Center for Atmospheric Research), James L. Benedict (McGuinness Associates), Don Middleton (National Center for Atmospheric

We have used semantic technologies to design, implement, and deploy an interdisciplinary virtual observatory. The Virtual Solar-Terrestrial Observatory is a production data framework providing access to observational datasets. It is in use by a community of scientists, students, and data providers interested in the middle and upper Earth's atmosphere, and the Sun. The data sets span upper atmospheric terrestrial physics to solar physics. The observatory allows virtual access to a highly distributed and heterogeneous set of data that appears as if all resources are organized, stored and accessible from a local machine. The system has been operational since the summer of 2006 and has shown registered data access by over 75 percent of the active community (last count over 600 of the estimated 800 person active research community). This demonstration will highlight how semantic technologies are being used to support data integration and more efficient data access in a multi-disciplinary setting. A full paper on this work is being published in the IAAI 07 deployed paper track.

Table #7

#### **Evac-Op: Disaster Evacuation Support**

Christopher J. Carpenter, Christopher J. Dugan, Joseph B. Kopena, Robert N. Lass, Gaurav Naik, Duc N. Nguyen, Evan Sultanik, Pragnesh Jay Modi, William C. Regli (Drexel University)

Evac-Op is a prototype system for assisting emergency personnel in monitoring and conducting evacuation and sheltering operations. It is a novel application of distributed constraint optimization combined with mobile wireless networking to sharing situation information and making global decisions on issues such as shelter assignments. In addition to exploring this application and new applications of distributed constraint optimization, Evac-Op is intended as a vehicle for investigating distributed decision making under poor communications, uncertainty, and change.

# A Framework for Experimental Research of Autonomous Trading Agents

Eric Sodomka, John Collins, Maria Gini (University of Minnesota)

The Trading Agent Competition for Supply Chain Management is a market simulation in which autonomous agents act as manufacturers in a two-tier supply chain marketplace. The objective of this demonstration is to showcase various methods our research team and others have developed in this domain to run simulations and analyze agent performance in an efficient manner.

Table #4

## Freebase: A Shared Database of Structured General Human Knowledge

Kurt Bollacker and Timothy Kientzle (Metaweb Technologies, Inc.)

Freebase is a practical, scalable, graphshaped database of structured, general human knowledge, inspired by semantic web research and collaborative data communities such as wikipedia. Freebase allows public reads and writes through an http-based graphquery API and a sophisticated AJAX for web access. (See www.freebase.com)

Table #8

#### Generating and Solving Logic Puzzles through Constraint Satisfaction

Barry O'Sullivan and John Horan (University College Cork, Ireland)

Solving logic puzzles has become a very popular pasttime, particularly since the Sudoku puzzle started appearing in newspapers all over the world. We have developed a puzzle generator for a modification of Sudoku, called Jidoku, in which clues are binary disequalities between cells on a 9 x 9 grid. Our generator guarantees that puzzles have unique solutions, have graded difficulty, and can be solved using inference alone.

This demonstration provides a fun application of many standard constraint satisfaction techniques, such as problem formulation, global constraints, search and inference. It is ideal as both an education and outreach tool. Our demonstration will allow people to generate and interactively solve puzzles of user-selected difficulty, with the aid of hints if required, through a specifically built Java applet.

Table #5

# An Interactive Constraint-Based Approach to Sudoku

Christopher G. Reeson (University of Nebraska-Lincoln), Kai-Chen Huang (USC/Information Sciences Institute), Berthe Y. Choueiry (University of Nebraska-Lincoln and USC/Information Sciences Institute)

We present a Java applet that allows a user to interactively solve a Sudoku puzzle using constraint processing (CP) techniques. Our system showcases the power of CP techniques in solving problems through a widely familiar and easily approachable puzzle. It allows the users to apply several consistency algorithms or work independently of our algorithms. The system is available online: sudoku.unl.edu /Solver and sudoku.unl.edu/Constructor.

Table #10

# The More the Merrier: Multi-Party **Negotiation with Virtual Humans**

Patrick Kenny, Arno Hartholt, Jonathan Gratch, David Traum, Stacy Marsella, Bill Swartout (USC/Institute for Creative Technologies)

The Institute for Creative Technologies at USC virtual human demo will focus on fully embodied conversational characters that contain task and emotion models. The user will use natural speech to negotiate with the agents to move a clinic. The agents will engage in multiparty dialogue using verbal and nonverbal be-

Table #9

#### The PhotoSlap Game: Play to Annotate

Tsung-Hsiang Chang, Chien-Ju Ho, and Jane Yung-jen Hsu (National Taiwan University)

PhotoSlap, an intelligent system for semantic annotation of photos, contains a semiautomatic face detector, a bulk annotation tool, and a multi-player online game. By exploring the design principles of gameplay and applying game theoretic analysis, PhotoSlap is designed as a fun and productive game, which adapts itself to different players to produce the desired output.

# **Competitions**

# Al Video Competition

The Al Video competition will be held Monday, July 23, 9:00 AM-8:00 PM in the North Regency Foyer. Awards will be presented at

AAAI is holding an exciting new event this year at AAAI-07, which will take place during the opening reception: The inaugural Al Video Competition (www.aivideo.org). Come and watch some exciting videos about Al. And witness the best videos in the field win a "Shakey"—AAAI's new award for the best short videos in Al.

The objective of this competition has been to communicate to the world the fun of pursuing research in AI, and illustrate the impact of some of our applications. Submitters were asked to create narrated videos of 1-5 minutes in length, focused on interesting AI research. Videos were then reviewed by an international program committee, led by the founding chairs of this competition, David Aha and Sebastian Thrun. The creators of the best videos will be presented with awards named in honor of Shakey, SRI's pioneering robot. Be sure not to miss the winners of this cool online video about AI research and applications! AAAI gratefully acknowledges the generous contributions of Microsoft Research and Yahoo! Research, which made this program possible.

# **General Game Playing Competition**

The General Game Playing Competition will be held Sunday-Monday, July 22-23, in the Prince of Wales room and the follow-up Human Versus Machine Exhibition will be held Tuesday-Thursday, July 24-26, in Plaza A.

General game players are systems able to accept declarative descriptions of arbitrary games at "runtime" and able to use such descriptions to play those games effectively without human intervention.

Because game descriptions are presented at runtime, unlike specialized game players such as Deep Blue, general game players cannot rely on algorithms designed in advance for specific games. Instead, to perform well general game players must incorporate various artificial intelligence technologies and techniques such as knowledge representation, reasoning, learning, and rational decision-making. Moreover, they must do so in an integrated fashion.

While general game playing is a topic with inherent interest, work in its area has practical value as well. Its underlying technology can be used in a variety of other application areas, such as business process management, electronic commerce, and military operations.

#### The Competition

This year's AAAI competition is designed to test the abilities of general game playing systems by comparing their performance on a variety of previously unseen games. The 2007 competition will consist of four rounds of competition held during June 2007, with a final championship round to be held in Vancouver at the AAAI. Over the four rounds, each general game player will play approximately 80 matches, where the combined scores accumulated during those matches will be used to determine player rankings as well as the finalists in the championship round. The winner of the championship round will be crowned the winner of the competition, and its programmer(s) will be awarded a \$10,000 prize. Additionally, this year's winner will be given the opportunity to compete in a special general-game-player-versus-human exposition match. AAAI gratefully acknowledges the generous contribution of Michael Genesereth, who has made this award possible.

Entrants will compete on a wide variety of games organized into taxonomies designed to isolate features of general games that are both exploitable and scientifically interesting. Examples of such taxonomies include number of players, branching factor, repeated states, and decomposability into independent subgames. Entrants will be expected to play games that require both competition and cooperation, as well as games that may not be exhaustively searchable in the time allowed. Prior to competition, entrants will be told nothing about the games that they will play beyond the taxonomies that they will be organized into. Instead, the rules for all games will be transmitted to players electronically at the beginning of each match.

# **Computer Poker Competition**

The Computer Poker Competition will be held Tuesday-Thursday, July 24-26 in Plaza B.

For the second annual AAAI Computer Poker Competition, 28 teams from 10 countries will develop computer programs for playing heads-up limit and no-limit Texas Hold'em. Programs will be judged based upon their robustness (ability to beat any opponent head-to-head) and their ability to learn (to exploit weaker opponents for more money). The University of Alberta is providing 34 months of computer time to allow each program to play millions of hands. At AAAI, the results, highlighted hands, and posters describing the bots will be presented. Visitors will have an opportunity to play against some of the submitted poker programs.

# Man Versus Machine Poker Challenge

The Man Versus Machine Poker Challenge will be held Monday, July 23, from 12:00 PM-7:00 PM, in Regency B and Tuesday, July 24, from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, in Plaza B.

AAAI will play host to the first scientific man versus machine challenge in poker. Poker is a game of skill and luck. A "short" match, even one of 10,000 hands, may not be enough to identify the better player. At AAAI, two professional poker players (Phil Laak and Ali Esmali) will play a duplicate match against two copies of the University of Alberta Polaris poker program. There will be four sessions played, each with \$5,000 at stake. In a session, each human plays 500 hands against a copy of Polaris. However, the cards dealt in the first match to the human will be dealt to the computer in the second match, and vice versa. The result of the session is the sum of the two humans' scores versus the sum of the two programs' scores. This format, inspired by the rules of duplicate bridge, significantly reduces the luck element, increasing the chances that the best team will win based on skill.

The matches will be played in front of an audience, and the human competitors will be encouraged to think out loud. The result will be entertaining, and give insights as to the state of the art in Al technology for a challenging imperfect information domain.

#### **Trading Agent Competition**

The Trading Agent Competition will be held Tuesday-Thursday, July 24-26, in Plaza C.

The annual Trading Agent Competition (TAC) pits agents from research groups around the world against each other in challenging market-trading domains. The 2007 tournament features a supply chain management (SCM) game, as well as a new game in the domain of market design. In TAC/SCM, agents representing PC manufacturers bid for customer orders, negotiate with suppliers for components, and manage their production schedules in order to maximize profits.

The 2007 TAC/SCM tournament comprises a main event for the SCM game, and two special challenge divisions focusing on specialized tasks: price forecasting and long-term procurement. In a new market design game (dubbed "CAT," or reverse TAC), the agents represent market specialists who compete by setting rules and matching policies to attract traders and mediate profitable trades.

Preliminary rounds for TAC-07 were held during June and July, with final rounds to be held at the AAAI-07 conference, starting Monday at the workshop on Trading Agent Design and Analysis, and continuing Tuesday and Wednesday during the main conference. More details, including game rules and the call for participation can be found at www.sics.se/tac.

# Sixteenth Annual AAAI Mobile Robot Competition and Exhibition

The AAAI Mobile Robot Competition and Exhibition will be held Monday–Thursday, July 23–26 in Balmoral.

The robot program brings together teams from universities, colleges, and research laboratories to compete and to demonstrate cutting edge, state of the art research in robotics and artificial intelligence.

#### Mobile Robot Workshop

The robot events commence with a workshop where participants describe the research behind their entries. The workshop will include a panel of academic, industrial, and governmental roboticists that will address "The Personal Robotics Revolution: Where does it stand and where is it going?"

## Semantic Robot Vision Challenge

In this competition, robots are given a listing of objects that they must locate and recognize. In order to determine what these objects look like, the robots are given an opportunity to search the web for images of the objects in their list before starting their search. This competition attempts to push the state of the art of semantic image understanding by requiring that robots make use of the wealth of unstructured image data that exist on the Internet today.

#### The Robot Exhibition

The mission of the Robot Exhibition is twofold. The first goal is to demonstrate state of the art research in a less structured environment than the competition

events. The exhibition gives researchers an opportunity to showcase current robotics and embodied-AI research that does not fit into the competition tasks. Second, the exhibition provides a venue for faculty using robotics in education to present their approaches and experiences.

#### **General Cochairs**

Jeffrey Forbes, Duke University Paul Oh, Drexel University

#### **Semantic Robot Vision Cochairs**

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Research: Andrea L. Thomaz, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Education: Zach Dodds, Harvey Mudd College

#### Mobile Robot Workshop Chair

Chad Jenkins, Brown University

#### **Robot Teams**

#### **Brown University**

Robotics, Learning and Autonomy at Brown *Event:* Robot Exhibition

# Harvey Mudd College

Event: Robot Exhibition

## Kansas State University

KSU Willie

Event: Robot Competition

# Princeton University/University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

OPTIMOL

Team Members: Fei-Fei Li (Princeton), Jia Li (Illinois), Juan Carlos Niebles (Illinois), Brendan Collins (Princeton), Rahul Mehta (Illinois) Event: Robot Competition and Exhibition

OPTIMOL is a novel, automatic dataset collecting and model learning system for object categorization developed by a joint UIUC-Princeton team. Our algorithm mimics the human learning process of iteratively cumulating model knowledge and image examples. As a fully automated system, OPTIMOL uses the Internet as the (nearly) unlimited resource for images. The learning and image collection processes are done by applying object recognition techniques in an iterative and incremental way. The goal of this work is to use the tremendous web resource to learn robust object category models in order to detect and search for objects in real-world cluttered scenes.

#### Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville

Fishtank Assassin Event: Robot Exhibition

## University of British Columbia

UBC LCI Robotics

Event: Robot Competition

# University of Manitoba

Keystone Mixed Reality Event: Robot Exhibition

#### University of Washington

Team Sunflowers

Team Contact: Masaharu Kobashi Event: Robot Competition and Exhibition

Our robot interprets the environment by vision

and it does not use any range finder. It has two video cameras whose pan, tilt, vergence, focus, and exposure are controlled by the installed computers to perform the active vision. It can accommodate up to five ATX size computer motherboards to handle the CPU intensive vision computation. The robot is designed for both indoor and outdoor use equipped with two powerful motors and sturdy chassis that can carry up to 250 pounds of batteries for extended operation of powerful computers.

#### Virginia Tech

RoMeLa: Robotics and Mechanisms Laboratory

Team Members: Dennis Hong, Karl Muecke,

Brad Pullins, and Gabriel Goldman

Event: Robot Exhibition

"DARwln: Dynamic Anthropomorphic Robot with Intelligence" is a humanoid bipedal robot research platform to study dynamic gaits and locomotion. Outfitted with a sensor suite and computers, DARwln can also perform complicated high-level tasks and autonomous behaviors such as playing soccer. DARwln will be the first and only US entry into the humanoid division of the international autonomous soccer competition, RoboCup.

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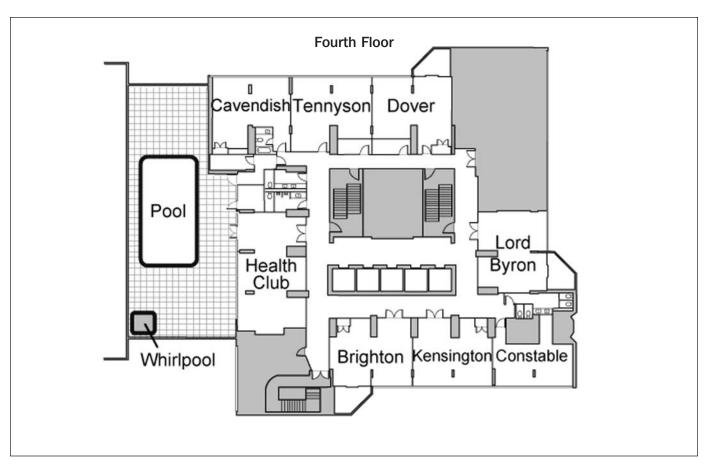
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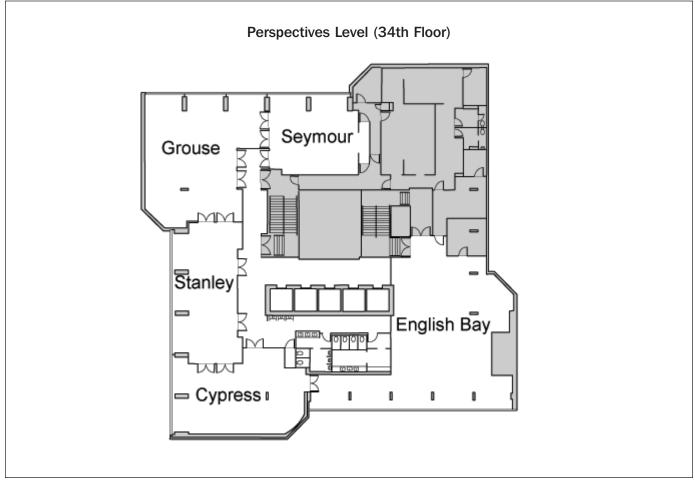
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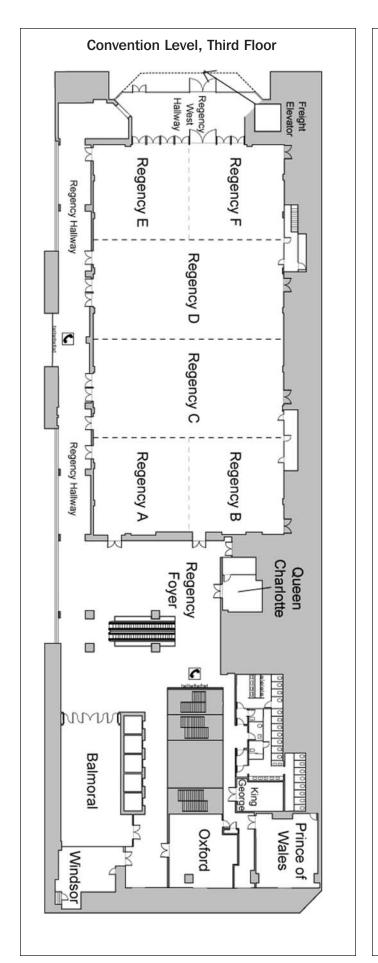
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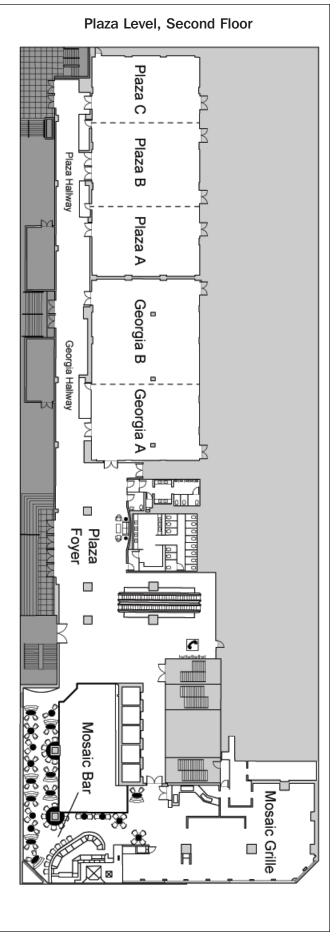
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