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## Curriculum Vitae

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### Professional Preparation

University of Houston	Classical Studies	BA <i>summa cum laude</i>	1995
The University of Texas at Austin	Computer Sciences	MSCS	1999
The University of Texas at Austin	Computer Sciences	PhD	2006

Advisor: Risto Miikkulainen

### Appointments

Assistant Professor	University of Nevada, Reno	2006–2014
UNR Technical Point of Contact	Cyber Conflict Research Consortium (CCRC)	2008–2010

### Laboratories

Director, Neuroevolution and Behavior Laboratory (NEBL)	2007–2014
Director, CCRC Agent Modeling Laboratory (CAML)	2008–2010
Associate, Brain Computation Laboratory	2011–present

### Publications

#### Journal Papers

Laurence Christine Jayet Bray, Corey M. Thibeault, Jeff A. Dorrity, Bobby D. Bryant, Frederick C. Harris, and Philip H. Goodman (*in review*). A Microcircuitry of Hippocampal, Entorhinal, and Prefrontal Loop Dynamics during Sequential Learning.

Laurence Jayet Bray, Frederick Harris, Emily Barker, Gareth Ferneyhough, Roger Hoang, Bobby Bryant, and Sergiu Dascalu (2012). Goal-Related Navigation of a Neuromorphic Virtual Robot. *BMC Neuroscience* 2012, **13**(Suppl 1):O3.  
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Jayet Bray, L. C., Anumandla, S. R., Thibeault, C. M., Hoang, R. V., Goodman, P. H., Dascalu, S.-M., Bryant, B. D., and Harris, F. C. (2012). Real-Time Human-Robot Interaction Underlying Neurorobotic Trust and Intent Recognition. *Neural Networks*, Vol. 32, pp. 130–137. New York: Elsevier.  
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Matt Parker and Bobby D. Bryant (2012). Neurovisual Control in the *Quake II* Environment. *IEEE Transactions on Computational Intelligence and AI in Games*, Vol. 4, No. 1, pp. 44–54. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.

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<http://www.cse.unr.edu/~bdbryant/papers/parker-2012-tciaig.pdf>

Jennifer Mahon, Bobby Bryant, Ben Brown, and Miran Kim (2010). Using Second Life to Enhance Classroom Management Practice in Teacher Education. *Educational Media International (EMI)*, Vol. 47, No. 2, pp. 121–134. London, UK: Routledge.

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Kenneth O. Stanley, Bobby D. Bryant, and Risto Miikkulainen (2005). Real-time Neuroevolution in the NERO Video Game. *IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation*, Vol. 9, No. 6, pp. 653–668. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.

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## Book Chapters

Risto Miikkulainen, Bobby D. Bryant, Ryan Cornelius, Igor V. Karpov, Kenneth O. Stanley, and Chern Han Yong (2006). Computational Intelligence in Games. In Gary Y. Yen and David B. Fogel (editors), *Computational Intelligence: Principles and Practice*, pp. 155–191. IEEE Computational Intelligence Society. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.

<http://www.cse.unr.edu/~bdbryant/papers/miikkulainen.wcci06.pdf>

## Peer Reviewed Conference Papers (Full-Paper Reviews)

Bobby D. Bryant (2010). Virtual Bagging for an Evolved Agent Controller. *Proceedings of the 2010 IEEE Conference on Computational Intelligence in Games (CIG'10)*, pp. 99–106. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.

[http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpla/abs\\_all.jsp?arnumber=5593365](http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpla/abs_all.jsp?arnumber=5593365)

<http://www.cse.unr.edu/~bdbryant/papers/bryant-2010-cig.pdf>

Mukesh C. Motwani, Bobby D. Bryant, Sergiu M. Dascalu, and Frederick C. Harris Jr. (2010). 3D Multimedia Protection Using Artificial Neural Network. *Proceedings of the 2010 7th IEEE Consumer Communications and Networking Conference (CCNC)*, pp. 1–5. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.

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Rakhi C. Motwani, Mukesh C. Motwani, Bobby D. Bryant, Frederick C. Harris Jr., and Akshata S. Agarwal (2010). Watermark Embedder Optimization for 3D Mesh Objects using Classification Based Approach. *Proceedings of the 2010 International Conference on Signal Acquisition and Processing (ICSAP 2010)*, pp. 125–129. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.

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- Matt Parker and Bobby D. Bryant (2009). Backpropagation without Human Supervision for Visual Control in Quake II. *Proceedings of the 2009 IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence and Games (CIG'09)*, pp. 287–293. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.  
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- Matt Parker and Bobby D. Bryant (2009). Lamarckian Neuroevolution for Visual Control in the Quake II Environment. *Proceedings of the 2009 IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC 2009)*, pp. 2630–2637. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.  
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- Matt Parker and Bobby D. Bryant (2008). Visual Control in Quake II with a Cyclic Controller. *Proceedings of the 2008 IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence and Games (CIG'08)*, pp. 151–158. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.  
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- Matt Parker and Bobby D. Bryant (2008). Neuro-visual Control in the Quake II Game Engine. *Proceedings of the 2008 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN 2008)*, pp. 3827–3832. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.  
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- Nathan A. Penrod, David Carr, Sushil Louis, and Bobby D. Bryant (2008). Neuro-evolving Maintain-Station Behavior for Realistically Simulated Boats. *Proceedings of the 2008 IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC 2008)*, pp. 3326–3332. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE Press.  
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- Bobby D. Bryant and Risto Miikkulainen (2007). Acquiring Visibly Intelligent Behavior with Example-Guided Neuroevolution. *Proceedings of the Twenty-Second National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI-07)*, pp. 801–808. Meno Park, CA: AAAI Press.  
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- Bobby D. Bryant and Risto Miikkulainen (2006). Evolving Stochastic Controller Networks for Intelligent Game Agents. *Proceedings of the 2006 Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC 2006)*, pp. 1007–1014. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.  
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- Bobby D. Bryant and Risto Miikkulainen (2006). Exploiting Sensor Symmetries in Example-based Training for Intelligent Agents. *Proceedings of the 2006 IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence and Games (CIG'06)*, pp. 90–97. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.  
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- Kenneth O. Stanley, Bobby D. Bryant, Igor Karpov, Risto Miikkulainen (2006). Real-Time Evolution of Neural Networks in the NERO Video Game. *Proceedings of the Twenty-First National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI-06)*, pp. 1671–1674. Menlo Park, CA: AAAI Press.  
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- Bobby D. Bryant and Risto Miikkulainen (2003). Neuroevolution for Adaptive Teams. *Proceedings of the 2003 Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC'03)*, pp. 2194–2201. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.  
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- Kenneth O. Stanley, Bobby D. Bryant, and Risto Miikkulainen (2003). Evolving Adaptive Neural Networks with and without Adaptive Synapses. *Proceedings of the 2003 IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC'03)*, Vol. 4, pp. 2557–2564. Piscataway, NJ: IEEE.  
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## Thesis and Technical Reports

- Bryant, Bobby D. (2006). *Evolving Visibly Intelligent Behavior for Embedded Game Agents*. PhD thesis, Department of Computer Sciences, The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.  
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<http://www.cse.unr.edu/~bdbryant/papers/bryant.utcstr06.pdf>
- Bobby D. Bryant and Risto Miikkulainen (2001). From Word Stream to Gestalt: A Direct Semantic Parse for Complex Sentences. AI Technical Report TR-AI98-274, Department of Computer Sciences, The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.  
<http://www.cse.unr.edu/~bdbryant/papers/bryant.utcstr98.pdf>

## Invited Talks

- “Visibly Intelligent Agents for Games and Simulators: Creating Adaptive Teams with Example-Guided Evolution”. University of Nevada, Reno (May 2006).
- “Neuroevolution for Adaptive Teams: Learning Heterogeneous Behavior in Homogeneous Multi-Agent Systems”. Digital Media Collaboratory *GameDev* Conference (August 2003)

## Tutorials

- “Inductive Agent Modeling in Games”. IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Games (December 2008).

## Other Talks

“A ‘Second Life’ in Classroom Management Training? Enhancing Culturally Relevant Classroom Management Knowledge in the Virtual World of Second Life”. Symposium on Gaming and Virtual Worlds, 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association (April 2009). Co-presentation with Jennifer Mahon, Department of Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning, University of Nevada, Reno.

## Funding

### DECIDE

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$786,000

Federal Earmark Sponsored by DHS [via NUARI subcontract], 2008–2010.

### Nevada Educational Game Laboratory Upgrade

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PIs: Dwight Egbert, Eelke Folmer, Sushil Louis, Yaakov Varol

\$26,500 + \$10,000 matching funds from Department and College

Sponsored by UNR IT, 2008.

### Co-Evolving Competent Strategies for Training and Decision Support

PI: Sushil Louis

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Ramona Houmanfar (Psychology), Jennifer Mahon (Education)

\$620,709 + \$126,078 NSHE matching funds

Sponsored by DOD/DON (DEPSCoR), 2008–2011.

### Exploration of Research Directions to Provide Solutions for Improving Quality Assurance at Bally Technologies

PI: Sergiu Dascalu

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Dwight Egbert, Eelke Folmer

\$62,972 + \$35,714 ARI matching funds

Sponsored by Bally Technologies, Inc., 2007-2008.

### Workshop: Behavior Analysis in Artificial and Simulated Agents

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PIs: M. Sami Fadali (EE), Linda Parrott Hayes (Psychology)

\$3,635

Sponsored by NSF (via Nevada EPSCoR), 2007.

### The Excitement of the Arcade

PI: Dwight Egbert

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Eelke Folmer

\$1,650

UNR Instructional Enhancement Grant, 2007.

### Ring-True III Task 24 (24 cluster nodes)

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$120,000

Sponsored by NSF (via Nevada EPSCoR), 2006.

## Pending Proposals

RI: Medium: Collaborative Research: Simulated Biological Intelligence with NCS

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PIs: Sergiu-M. Dascalu, Frederick C. Harris, Jr.

Collaborator: Laurence Bray, George Mason University

\$828,731

NSF (Submitted Fall 2013)

## Other Proposals Submitted (not awarded)

Modeling and Visualization of Neural Systems

PI: Laurence C. Jayet Bray

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Sergiu-M. Dascalu, Frederick C. Harris, Jr.

\$820,959

NSF, 2012.

RI: Medium: Simulated Biological Intelligence with NCS

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PIs: Laurence C. Jayet Bray, Sergiu-M. Dascalu, Frederick C. Harris, Jr.

\$1,193,604

NSF, 2012.

CAREER: Inductive Agent Modelling

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$501,135

NSF, 2012.

Collaborative Research: Large-Scale Modeling and Real-Time Simulation of Brain Dynamics and Interaction

PI: Frederic C. Harris, Jr.

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Laurence C. Jayet Bray, Sergiu-M. Dascalu

External Collaborator: Hava Siegelmann [UMass Amherst]

\$622,986

NSF, 2011.

CAREER: Inductive Agent Modelling

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$512,365

NSF, 2011.

Development and Dissemination of STEM Learning Modules Based on State Learning Standards

PI: Dwight Egbert

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Michael Leverington

\$439,559

NSF, 2011.

Utilizing a Web-Based Artificial Intelligence Driven Simulation to Enhance Teacher Abilities to Facilitate K-12 STEM Learning

PI: Jennifer Mahon (Education)

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant *et al.*

\$424,086

NSF, 2009.

CAREER: Acquiring Visibility Intelligent Behavior via Example-Guided Neuroevolution

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$561,209

NSF, 2007.

A Simulation Infrastructure for Situated Intelligence

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PI: Sushil Louis

External Collaborator: Risto Miikkulainen [UT-Austin]

\$480,045

NSF, 2007.

A Spacetime Approach to Multi-Agent Coordination

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$298,276

NSF, 2007.

Collaborative Interactive Evolution for Creative Design and Education

PI: Sushil Louis

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, David Crowther (Education), Teruni Lamberg (Education), Linda Hayes (Psychology)

\$799,134

NSF, 2007.

Foundations of Neurovisual Control

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$449,004

NSF, 2007.

A New Approach to spatial Data Authentication Using Mathematical Visualization

PI: Gregory Vert

Co-PIs: Bobby D. Bryant, Sergiu Dascalu, Frederic C. Harris, Jr.

\$500,000

NSF, 2007.

Sloan Research Fellowship

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$45,000

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, 2007.

Inducing Meta-Level Gene Regulatory Network Models from Biological Data

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

\$135,000

NIH (via Nevada INBRE), 2007.

## A Simulation Infrastructure for Computational Intelligence

PI: Bobby D. Bryant

Co-PI: Sushil Louis

External Collaborator: Risto Miikkulainen [UT-Austin]

\$497,937

NSF, 2006.

## Awards

CIG'06 Best Student Paper, for "Exploiting Sensor Symmetries in Example-based Training for Intelligent Agents".

CIG'05 Best Paper, for "Evolving Neural Network Agents in the NERO Video Game".

Digital Media Collaboratory Fellowship, for the study of example-guided evolution (three semesters at UT-Austin).

## Service

**Technical Committees:** Member, IEEE Computational Intelligence Society's Technical Committee on Games (2007-2014)

**Task Forces:** Chair, Task Force on Real-Time Strategy Games [for the IEEE Computational Intelligence Society's Technical Committee on Games] (2007-2008, Assistant Chair 2009-2014); Assistant Chair, Task Force on Player Satisfaction Modelling [for the IEEE Computational Intelligence Society's Technical Committee on Games](2007-2014)

**Program Committees:** Member, IEEE Symposium/Conference on Computational Intelligence in Games (2007-2013); Co-organizer, Special Session on Games (CEC 2011); Member, IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (2009); Co-organizer, Special Session on Computational Intelligence in Real Time Strategy Games (CIG 2008); Co-organizer, Special Session on Player Satisfaction (CIG 2008); Co-organizer, Special Session on Player/Opponent Modeling (CIG 2008); Organizer, Workshop on Behavior Analysis for Artificial and Simulated Agents (2007); Co-organizer, Workshop on Optimizing Player Satisfaction in Computer and Physical Games (2006-2008)

**Reviewer:** Artificial Intelligence; Artificial Intelligence Review; Artificial Life; Evolutionary Computation; Genetic Programming and Evolvable Machines; IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation; IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Robotics and Systems; IEEE Symposium/Conference on Computational Intelligence and Games; IEEE Transactions on Autonomous Mental Development; IEEE Transactions on Computational Intelligence and AI in Games; IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation; IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks; IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics - Part B; IEEE World Congress on Computational Intelligence International Conference on Parallel Problem Solving From Nature; Neural Networks; Workshop on Optimizing Player Satisfaction in Computer and Physical Games;

**Departmental Committees:** Member, Committee on Curriculum Review and Globally Competitive Engineering Education (2011-); Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (2011-); Member, Web Monitoring Committee (2011-); Member, Lectureship Search Committee (2010-2011); Chair, Student Relations and Activities Committee (2008-2009); Member, CSE/EBE



Colloquium Committee (2008-2009); Member, Computer Science and Engineering Curriculum Committee (2006-2009);

**University Committees:** Member, Grid System Administrator Search Committee (2007); Member, Grid Systems Steering Committee (2007-)

**Society Memberships:** IEEE (2003-)ACM (2006-);

## **Courses Taught**

CS 135 Computer Science I

CS 381 The Game Development Pipeline

CS 382 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

CS 481/681 Advanced Game Design

CS 482R/682R Artificial Intelligence

CS 483R/683R Artificial Intelligence Programming

CS 491s/691(S) Neural Networks

CS 493(Q) Directed Study: Machine Learning

CS 493(R) Directed Study: Modeling and Simulation

CS 493(W) Directed Study: Programming Languages

CS 709(C) Discrete Systems Simulation

CS 790(Q) Seminar: Machine Learning

CS 790(S) Seminar: Neural Networks

CS 793(R) Independent Study: Modeling and Simulation

## **Advisees**

Ben Seelbinder (M.S. 2012)

Mark Harmer (M.S. 2010)

Mikhail Utkin (M.S. 2009)

Matt Parker (M.S. 2009)

Radha Gurugubelli (M.S. 2008)

Dat Ta (M.S. 2008)