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Full Curriculum Vita

Highlights of my career at Brandeis:

- Founded an internationally known Lab in AI/ALife (DEMO laboratory);
- \$3M in new Grants, including a DARPA ITE Grant;
- 16 refereed journal articles including one in Nature, which made headline news;
- 56 refereed conference papers;
- 8 new Ph.D's, all gainfully employed
- Covered by NY Times, Scientific American Frontiers, Wired, Slashdot, etc.
- Named one of MIT Technology Review's "TR 10" in 2001.



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BASIC DATA

Personal

Born: 19 July 1957

Citizenship: United States Married, Two Children

Education

1987 Ph.D Computer Science

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

"On Connectionist Models of Natural Language Processing"

1978 B.S. Mathematics

State University of New York

Binghamton

"On Tiling Rectangles with Dominos"

Honors

1984-1986 IBM Graduate Fellowship

2001 MIT Technology Review "TR 10"

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Employment History

Oct 2004-**Full Professor** Computer Science & Complex Systems **Brandeis University** Oct 1994 -Sep2004 **Associate Professor** Computer Science & Complex Systems **Brandeis University Assistant Professor** Jul 1988 - Sep 1994 Computer & Information Science The Ohio State University Jun 1986 - Jun 1988 Research Scientist Computing Research Laboratory New Mexico State University Jun 1984 - Aug 1984 AI Consultant **Hewlett Packard Laboratories** Palo Alto, California Jan 1978 - Jul 1980 **Associate Programmer**

Research and Teaching Areas

- Computer Programming
- Artificial Intelligence
- Machine Learning
- Neural and Evolutionary computation
- Artificial Life
- Dynamical Systems
- Intellectual Property
- Educational Technology
- Internet and Society

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NARRATIVE STATEMENTS

Summary of Research Accomplishments

After tenure, I became convinced that even when based on brain-like systems rather than computer programs, a cognitive model would be incomplete without an evolutionarily plausible explanation for its origin. This means that the components, representations, and mechanisms proposed as part of a model must be evolvable, and simulated evolutionary models could provide evidence towards the reality of our cognitive theories. But there were no evolutionary models producing the kind of openended complexity of brain-like structures necessary to compete with human software engineering. Thus the central question of my research of the last decade became the quest to organize an artificial process which could mimic, electronically, the fundamental evolutionary processes of life itself, resulting in automatically designed systems that are complex enough to be competitive with human designed systems.

The most primitive definition of life is a chemical reaction that dissipates energy and creates a local reversal of entropy. So a definition of "Artificial Life" is a process that dissipates computational energy, and gets more organized, and smarter over time. If we really can get it right, and have enough computer time to spare (which Moore's law predicts we shall), then the resulting self-organized systems could provide a source for evolutionarily plausible models for cognition, as well as be competitive with programmed AI models, which have many beneficent applications.

Through my tenure at Brandeis, my students and I have published a series of papers around a core theme, called "Co-evolutionary Learning" in the scholarly conferences and journals of Artificial Life and sister fields like machine learning, evolution, and theoretical biology. While developing better theories for open-ended self-learning systems, we solved specific optimization and design problems, in game playing, automata, and processes like sorting and classification. Most famously, we developed our co-evolutionary insights into three generations of automatically designed robots, where the body and brain are co-adapted simultaneously. By combining our evolutionary designs with computer-aided-manufacturing, we demonstrated the first robotic system that designed and manufactured another robot. We have made 3 generations of these systems, proving that the evolution of robots is not pure science fiction.

Ongoing Research

My research work going forward is very exciting. Work on evolutionary robots continues, focused on modular and reusable forms using generative representations and modular mechanical components for assembly. The central question for scaling up the complexity of these efforts revolves around recognizing that designs are not static blueprints, but active process specifications which can overcome the buildup of errors in manufacturing.

Also, we have discovered that evolutionary learning systems organized

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according to the "competition" principle cannot make consistent or open-ended progress. Competitively organized systems have dynamics that lead to phenomena like boom and bust cycles, memory loss, and the emergence of equilibria where several mediocre species collude to support each other and exclude innovation. Winner-take-all dynamics lead to a loss of the information gradient necessary for further learning. We have discovered a new "equation" for learning that replaces zero-sum competition and have demonstrated that this equation can lead to populations of self-interested agents who continually assess and challenge each other, maintaining motivation towards open-ended learning. This principle is being captured in a new educational technology we have released as websites, such as www.spellbee.org.

Teaching Statement

Besides the standard undergraduate curriculum in computer science I also teach graduate electives across Machine Learning and Artificial Life. I have also turned my interest in intellectual property into a seminar which is open to freshman.

I also contribute teaching through web based activities, such as the online Backgammon, Tron, and SpellBee.org from my Lab, as well as free Pokemon® literacy games which thousands of children have downloaded. My feeling is that the best educational software systems will not be general purpose AI based teachers, but will be environments where children spend millions of collective hours learning, and it is important to provide alternatives to the shoot-em-up fare of video consoles. A million hours is all that an entire town's school system can deliver with a \$10M budget. Could one webserver also deliver a million hours?

Service

I have served my department in roles such as seminar chair, computer facilities chair, Graduate Admissions, and representative to the Volen Center. I have been on the university IP committee as well as the founding committee for the Rabb school of Continuing studies. I took a lead role in envisioning a more significant future for information technology research at Brandeis, which was presented to President Reinharz. In 2002 I participated in the University's interdisciplinary seminar on Concilience. When asked, I routinely speak at Alumni, Trustee, development, BNWC and Bali events for the University. I also engage in service to my scientific communities, most notably on editorial boards and organizing major conferences.

Industrial Activities

I have made many contacts within the Boston Area "High Technology" communities, mainly in Software and Telecommunications. I served as "Chief Scientist" to **Abuzz** Technology, which was an enterprise/internet startup during my last sabbatical in 97-98. I am asked to be on various advisory boards, which I evaluate individually; Currently I serve on the advisory board of **Affinnova**. In 1999, I patented an idea (which was released by Brandeis) and started my own company **Thinmail**. Recently, the university released another invention, **Nannon**, which I am seeking to license.

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- C06: Pollack, J. B. (1989) Implications of Recursive Distributed Representations. In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems I, San Mateo: Morgan Kaufmann, 527-536.
- C05: Pollack J. B. (1988) Recursive Auto-Associative Memory: Devising Compositional Distributed Representations. In Proceedings of the Tenth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Montreal, 33-39.
- C04: Pollack J. B. (1987). Cascaded Back-Propagation on Dynamic Connectionist Networks. In Proceedings of the Ninth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Seattle, 391-404.
- C03: Pollack J. B. & Waltz, D. L. (1984). Parallel Interpretation of Natural Language. Proceedings of the International Conference on Fifth Generation Computer Systems. Tokyo, Japan, November 1984, pp. 686-691.
- C02: Waltz, D. L. & Pollack, J. B. (1984). Phenomenologically Plausible Parsing. Proceedings of the National Conference on Artificial Intelligence. Austin, TX, pp. 335-339.
- C01: Pollack, J. B. & Waltz, D. L. (1982). Natural Language Processing Using Spreading Activation and Lateral Inhibition. Proceedings of the Fourth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Ann Arbor, 50-53.

Patents

- P12: Pollack, J. B. (2004 submitted): Nano version of Backgammon game and method.
- P11: Hornby, G & Pollack, J. B. (2002 Submitted/Withdrawn) "Generative Representations"
- P10: Pollack, J.B. (2000 Submitted) "Email based remote control manipulation of stored files", Submitted
- P9: Pollack, J. B, Sklar, E, & Funes, P (1999) "Communities of evolving learners", Submitted/Withdrawn
- P8: Pollack, J. B, "Networked Attached Email Storage System and Method", 6,505,236
- P7: Funes, P, and Pollack, J. B, Computer apparatus and method for analyzing

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- structural stability 6,434,492
- P6: Pollack, J. B et al "Distributing information to users" 6,578,025
- P5: Pollack, J. B J. Stevenson "Adaptive Relevancy System", 6,546,390
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- P3: Pollack, J. B, A. Sack (2003) "Dual use email system", 6,539,385:
- P2: Pollack, J. B (1995) Data Input Device & Method, 5,473,346
- P1: Pollack, J. B (1994) Data Input Device & Method, 5,361,083.

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- O16: Pollack, Jordan (2005, in press) "7 Laws of Robot Ethics," Wired
- O15: Pollack, Jordan (2003) "For \$100B there can be peace" Haaretz, Jan 29th
- O14: Pollack, Jordan (2001) "Bomb Computing" Wall Street Journal, Jul 9, 2001
- O13: Pollack Jordan (1999) In search of the Perfect License. Legal Times April 1999, p49-51
- O12: Pollack, Jordan: A Purl of fluctuating value: IP Magazine, July 1999, p27-29.
- O11: Pollack, Jordan B., Lipson, Hod, Ficici, Sevan G., Funes, Pablo, Hornby, Greg and Watson, Richard A. (2001). "Evolutionary Techniques in Physical Robots," in Creative Evolutionary Systems, Peter J. Bently and David W. Corne (eds). Morgan-Kaufmann. 2001.
- O10: Funes, P.J. and Pollack, J.B. (1999) Computer Evolution of Buildable Objects. In Evolutionary Design by Computers. P. Bentley (editor). Academic Press. To appear.
- O9: Juille & Pollack, Massively Parallel Genetic Programming, (1996, Advances in GP II, Kinnear & Angeline, Ed. MIT Press
- O8: Pollack, J. B. (1995) Induction of Dynamical Recognizers, in R. Port & T. VanGelder (Eds.) *Mind as Motion, Cambridge:MIT Press*
- O7: Saunders, G. M. & Pollack, J. B. (1994) The Evolution of communication schemes of continuous channels. Columbus: Ohio State University LAIR Tech report 94-GS-

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- 05: Waltz, D. L. & Pollack, J. B. (1989). Massively Parallel Parsing: A Strongly Interactive Model of Natural Language Interpretation. In Waltz D. & Feldman, J (Eds.) Connectionism: A Cognitive Science Perspective. Hillsdale: Lawrence Erlbaum. (Reprint)
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- 03: Pollack. J. B. (1989). Structured Symbolic Representations in Neural State Vectors. *Fifth Annual Aerospace Applications of Artificial Intelligence Conference, Dayton, OH.*
- 02: Pollack, J. B. (1986) Compositional Ambiguity: A problem for Connectionist Natural Language Processing. First Connectionist Summer School, 242-249
- 01: Pollack, J. B. (1986). Universal Neural Networks. Proceedings of the Second New Mexico Computer Science Conference. Las Cruces, NM, pp. 37-45.

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Manager NEUROPROSE Electronic Technical Report Service

Assoc. Editor Artificial Intelligence Review, 1987-1989

Assoc. Editor J. Experimental and Theoretical AI

Editorial Board Artificial Intelligence Review

Editorial Board Connection Science

Editorial Board Artificial Life

Secy/Director International Society for Adaptive Behavior

Corporate Affiliations Abuzz technologies Advisor (Sold to NY Times)

Affinnova (Advisor)

Flagship Ventures (Advisor)

Thinmail (Founder)

Organizer Workshop on High-Level Connectionism, NMSU,

Apr. 1988

Midwest Connectfest II, OSU,

Oct. 1991

NIPS Workshop on Modularity in Connectionism

Dec 1991

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Int'l Conference on Simulation of Adaptive Behavior

Sep 1996

Int'l Conference on Artificial Life

Sep 2004

Program Committees Int'l conference on Artificial Neural Networks, 1998

Artificial Life 6, 1998

European Conference on Artificial Life, 1997

Genetic Programming, 1996

AAAI Symposium on Connectionist NLP, March 1991

Machine Learning 1991Workshop on Human Learning

AAAI Annual Conference, August 1992, (Area Chair)

Ad Hoc Reviewer Cognitive Science, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning,

Journal of the ACM, Neural Computation,

IEEE Trans. On Neural Networks

Conferences: AAAI, IJCAI, Cognitive Science, NIPS.

INVITED TALKS

International Programs

2003	Germany	European Conference on Artificial Life (Keynote)
2002	Hawaii	International Conference on Evolutionary Computation (Keynote)
2001	Tokyo	International Conference on Evolutionary Robotics (Keynote)
2001	Montreal	International conference on Multi agent Systems (Keynote)
1998	Suffolk	British Telephone Conference on Intelligent Robotics
1997	Tsukuba	IMSA Conference on Biologically Inspired Computation
1996	Montreal	Spring School on Neural Networks and Learning
1992	Skovde	First Swedish Nat'l Conference on Connectionism
	Montreal	Society for Philosophy and Psychology
1991	Paris	International Conference on Compositionality in Neural Systems
	Denver	IEEE NIPS workshop on recurrent networks
1990	Columbus	International CODATA Conference

National Programs

2003	New Jersey	DARPA workshop on Competitive Robot vehicle testing
2003	Portland	Annual Maine Law Conference

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2003	Scottsdale	DEMO 2003
2002	Camden, ME	POPTech
2001	Woodstock	Future Forward
2002	Palo Alto	NSF Educational Technology conference
2001	DC	NSF Nano-Bio-Info Conference
2001	DC	Defense Science Board Review
2001	Scottsdale	PC Forum Presentation on Robotics
1997	Washington	Highlands Forum on Mind, Brain, Computing
	Providence	AAAI Symposium on Multi-Agent Learning
	Nashville	Machine Learning Wkshop on Grammatical Inference
1996	Wilmington	ONR Workshop on Genetic Control Networks
1993	Boulder	Connectionist Summer School (Faculty)
	Indiana Dun	es Midwest AI & Cognitive Science (Keynote)
1992	Boca Raton	ONR Workshop on Nonlinear Dynamics of Brain
	Woods Hole	ONR Workshop on Hybrid Machine Learning
1991	Palo Alto	AAAI Symposium-Machine Learning of Language
	Bloomington	Indiana Conference on Dynamical Representation (Keynote)

Departmental Colloquia

2004	Austin	Univ. Texas CS Dept AI Lecture Series
2004	New Haven	Yale University CS Dept
2004	New Haven	Yale University Interdisciplinary Bioethics Program
2004	Amsterdam	Shell Oil Future Scenarios Group
2003	Brighton UK	University of Sussex COGS Department
2003	Atlanta	Georgia Tech CS Dept Distinguished AI Series
2003	Lowell	Computer Science Dept
2001	Boston	Fidelity Innovation Conference
2001	DC	NIST Distinguished Lecture series
2001	Woodstock	New England Innovation Meeting
2001	NJ	Att Labs Lecture Series
	Boston	Boston University CNS Colloquium
2001	Storrs	University of Ct. Psychology Department
2000	Columbus	Ohio State Cognitive Science Festival (Keynote)
1998	Cambridge	MIT Brain Cognitive Sciences
1997	Worcester	WPI Computer Science Dept
1996	Boston	Boston University (CNS)

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- 1995 Providence Brown University (Cognitive Science)
- 1994 Princeton NEC Research Institute
 Waltham Brandeis University (CS)
- 1993 Bloomington IU Cognitive Science Program (Distinguished Lecture Series))
- 1992 Washington Naval Research Laboratory/AFOSR (Distinguished Lecture Series)

Waltham Brandeis Center for Complex Systems (Keynote)

Santa Fe Santa Fe Institute (External Faculty)

1991 Las Cruces New Mexico State University (CRL)

Ann Arbor University of Michigan (CSE)

Exeter University of Exeter (CS)

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GRANTS & CONTRACTS RECEIVED

- G19: 15,000 "Support for Artificial Life Conference," International Society for Artificial Life, and Icosystems, Inc.
- G18: \$150,000 "Peer to Peer Education Technology", Hewlett Foundation, July 2003-July 2005
- G17: \$330,000 "ITR: One to one learning across the Internet", NSF, Sept 2001-Aug 2004
- G16: \$526,000 "Research in Intelligent Machines" DOE, Sept 2001-Aug 2004
- G15: \$927,000 "Fully automated Design of Throwaway Robots" DARPA, July 1999-June2003
- G14: \$98,000 "SGER: Communities of Evolving Learners" NSF, Sept 2000-Dec 2001.
- G13: \$361,000, "Dynamic Architecture, Dynamic Training", Office of Naval Research, Jan 1996-Dec 1998.
- G12: \$75,000 "Dynamic training of humans and tutoring agents," Office of Naval Research, Apr 1998-Mar 2001
- G11: \$232,782, "High Capacity Neural Coding," National Science Found, May 1996-Apr1999
- G10: \$18,000, "Support for SAB96 Conference", combination ONR, M. R. Bauer Foundation, Int'l Society for Adaptive Behavior, Jan-Dec 1996.
- G9: \$195,671, "Acquisition of research infrastructure for autonomous robotics," (co-PI with M. Mataric), NSF, Sep 1995-Aug 1998.

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- G8: \$50,000, "Support for Postdoctoral Fellow," Krasnow Foundation, Oct 1994-Sep 1996.
- G7: \$5000, "Interdisciplinary Seminar in Neural Computation," (Co-PI with D. Wang), Office of Research, Ohio State University, 1 Year, Oct 1994.
- G6: \$330,000, "Dynamical Cognitive Systems", Office of Naval Research, 3.5 years, Jan. 1992-May 1995.
- G5: \$25,000, "High-Level Connectionist Models, continuation", Office of Naval Research, 1 year, Oct. 1992-Sep. 1993.
- G4: \$298,040, "High-Level Connectionist Models", Office of Naval Research, 3.5 years, Jan. 1989-Jun. 1992.
- G3: \$6000, "Robot Helicopter," Air Force Office of Scientific Research, April 1992, (HW Gift)
- G2: \$5,400, "High Bandwidth Submotor Event Recognition" OSU Center for Cognitive Science, July 1990. (With M. Torello).
- G1: \$10,000, "Workshop on Connectionism," American Association for Artificial Intelligence and Office of Naval Research, April 1988 (Co-PI With J. Barnden).

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OSU, 1993 Evolutionary Algorithms and Emergent Intelligence

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OSU, 1994 Pragmatic Modeling in Natural Language Processing

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Brandeis, 2004 Solution concepts in Co-evolution

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Brandeis, 2000 Evolutionary interaction with Real World

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Brandeis 2002 Evolution with Generative Representations

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John Kolen University of West Florida

OSU, 1994 Computation in Dynamical Systems

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OSU, 1994 Dynamic representation of Music Structure

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OSU, 1994 Evolution of Communication in Adaptive Agents

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Richard Watson Harvard University

Brandeis 2002 Symbiotic Evolutionary Algorithms

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