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Education

- 2010 PhD, Computer Science
University of British Columbia
Dynamic Local Search for SAT: Design, Insights and Analysis
Supervisor: Holger H. Hoos
- 2000 MSc, Electrical & Computer Engineering
University of British Columbia
Rate Control in Bi-Level Image Coding
Supervisor: Faouzi Kossentini
- 1996 BSc, Electrical Engineering
University of Western Ontario
Gold Medallist (top graduating student)
- 1994 BSc, Computer Science
University of Western Ontario

Relevant Employment History

- 2011.09 - present Lecturer & Advisor
University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
- 2010.09 - 2011.08 Postdoctoral Research & Teaching Fellow
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
- 2004.01 - 2010.08 Research Assistant
University of British Columbia
(on medical leave from 2007.05 - 2009.08)
- 1999.09 - 2008.04 Teaching Assistant
University of British Columbia
- 2000.08 - 2001.08 Senior Software Developer
UB Video, Inc., Vancouver, BC
Development of libraries (JPEG2000, MPEG4) for PCs & embedded DSPs
- 2000.01 - 2002.12 Sessional Lecturer
University of British Columbia
- 1998.01 - 2000.08 Research Assistant
University of British Columbia
- 1997.05 - 1997.12 Systems Analyst
Netcon Technologies, London, ON
Developed software and system solutions for clients
- 1996.05 - 1997.04 President
University Students' Council, UWO, London, ON
Managed a variety of people and services for a large organization
- 1995.01 - 1995.12 Systems Analyst
MIS Solutions, Inc., London, ON
Developed software and system solutions for clients
- 1992.05 - 1994.08 IT Support & Development
Labatt Breweries of Canada, London, ON
IT Services: customer support, network administration, application development
- 1988.05 - present Sole Proprietor
synervations.com
Consulting and development with numerous projects and clients

Teaching Experience

Lectuer (Waterloo)

Term	Course	Class Size	Lecture hours/week	Overall Evaluation
2012 Winter	CS 490		3.0	
2012 Winter	CS 115		3.0	
2011 Fall	CS 135	68	3.0	
2011 Fall	CS 115	112	3.0	

Sessional Instructor (UBC)

Term	Course	Class Size	Lecture hours/week	Overall Evaluation
2011 Summer	CPSC 121	63	7.5	
2010 Fall	CPSC 211	70	3.0	84
2002 Fall	EECE 467	21	2.0	90
2002 Spring	EECE 467	50	2.0	90
2001 Fall	EECE 467	27	2.0	95
2001 Spring	EECE 467	50	2.0	95
2000 Fall	EECE 467	31	2.0	90
2000 Spring	EECE 467	33	2.0	85

Teaching Assistant (UBC)

Term	Course	Overall Evaluation
2008 Spring	CPSC 121	96
2007 Spring	CPSC 121	97
2006 Fall	CPSC 320	89
2006 Spring	CPSC 320	97
2005 Summer	CPSC 121	94
2005 Summer	CPSC 320	*
2004 Fall	CPSC 320	90
2004 Spring	CPSC 220	*
2003 Fall	EECE 466	*
2002 Summer	EECE 466	*
1999 Fall	EECE 467	*

(*) TA evaluations were not collected

Course Calendar Descriptions (Waterloo)

- CS 115 **Introduction to Computer Science 1**
An introduction to the fundamentals of computer science through the application of elementary programming patterns in the functional style of programming. Function definition and application. Tracing via substitution. Design, testing, and documentation. Recursive data definitions. Lists and trees. Functional and data abstraction.
- CS 135 **Designing Functional Programs**
An introduction to the fundamentals of computer science through the application of elementary programming patterns in the functional style of programming. Syntax and semantics of a functional programming language. Tracing via substitution. Design, testing, and documentation. Linear and nonlinear data structures. Recursive data definitions. Abstraction and encapsulation. Generative and structural recursion. Historical context.
- CS 350 **Operating Systems**
An introduction to the fundamentals of operating system function, design, and implementation. Topics include concurrency, synchronization, processes, threads, scheduling, memory management, file systems, device management, and security.
- CS 490 **Information Systems Management**
The integration of business and technical considerations in the design, implementation and management of information systems. Topics include: IS planning and development; business, management, executive, and strategic information systems, including case studies of selected large- scale systems; decision support systems; end-user training and development; systems security, disaster planning and recovery. Practical examples of information systems in industry.

Course Calendar Descriptions (UBC)

- CPSC 101 **Connecting with Computer Science**
Fundamentals of computer science and their connections with the arts, psychology, and biology. Historical, cultural, and gender perspectives of important contributions to the field will be discussed. (Equivalency: WMST201)
- CPSC 121 **Models of Computation**
Physical and mathematical structures of computation. Boolean algebra and combinations logic circuits; proof techniques; functions and sequential circuits; sets and relations; finite state machines; sequential instruction execution.
- CPSC 220 **Introduction to Discrete Structures**
An introduction to computer science applications of discrete mathematics. Sets; logic; functions and relations; induction; program correctness; mathematical rigour; algorithms and applications.
- CPSC 211 **Introduction to Software Development**
Software design and the development of robust abstractions; design practices, data abstractions, inheritance, testing, concurrency and distributed computing.
- CPSC 320 **Intermediate Algorithm Design and Analysis**
Systematic study of basic concepts and techniques in the design and analysis of algorithms, illustrated from various problem areas. Topics include: models of computation; choice of data structures; graph-theoretic, algebraic, and text processing algorithms.
- EECE 466 **Digital Signal Processing Systems**
DSP fundamentals; digital filter FIR and IIR structures; filter design; DSP architectures; DSP applications.
- EECE 467 **Real-Time Implementation of DSP Algorithms**
DSP systems overview; DSP architectures; programming DSPs in 'C' and Assembly, I/O issues; real-time operating systems; host interfaces; code mapping and optimization; testing; DSP solutions in speech, audio, radar, telecommunications and control.

Scholarships and Awards

Teaching Awards

- 2009 UBC Killiam Graduate Teaching Award
\$1,000 (Institutional)
- 2007 UBC Computer Science Graduate TA Award
(Departmental)
- 2006 UBC Computer Science Graduate TA Award
(Departmental)

Best Paper Awards

- 2006 Best Paper Award
The Nineteenth Canadian Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AI-06)
(National Conference)

Best Poster Awards

- 2003 BC Advanced Systems Institute Exchange Communication (Poster) Award
\$500 (Regional)
- 1999 BC Advanced Systems Institute Exchange Communication (Poster) Award
\$200 (Regional)

Service Awards

- 2010 UBC Graduate Student Society Service Award
\$500 (Institutional)
- 2008 UBC Computer Science Service Award
(Departmental)

Scholarships

- 2003 UBC Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel (Conference Paper) Award
\$400 (Institutional)
- 2001-2003 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council PGS-B Scholarship
\$38,200 (National)
- 1999-2000 University of British Columbia University Graduate Fellowship
\$16,000 (Institutional)
- 1999 UBC Faculty of Graduate Studies Travel (Conference Paper) Award
\$400 (Institutional)
- 1998-1999 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council PGS-A Scholarship
\$31,400 (National)

- 1994-1996 University of Western Ontario Achievement Awards:
 Harry Cross Gold Medal (top EE graduating student)
 John H. Chapman Memorial Prize (top EE student: year 3)
 Steinmetz-Woonton Award (top EE student: year 2)
 \$1,000 (Institutional)
- 1991-1996 University of Western Ontario Entrance Scholarship
 \$10,000 (Institutional)
- 1991-1995 Canada Scholarship
 \$8,000 (National)
- 1991-1995 Labatt Employee Scholarship
 \$4,000 (Private)

Service to the University Community

- 1998.01 - 2011.08 Alma Mater Society of UBC
- 1998.01 - 2009.12 Graduate Student Society of UBC
- 2003.01 - 2008.04 UBC President's Committee on the Naming of Facilities
- 2001.10 - 2006.12 Institute for Computing, Information & Cognitive Systems (ICICS)
 Student Advisory Committee
- 2006.12 - 2006.12 ICICS Director Selection Committee
- 1999.03 - 2004.03 UBC Senate
Committees: Budget, Teaching and Learning, Library, Appeals on Academic Standing
- 1999.03 - 2004.03 UBC Faculty of Graduate Studies Council
- 2000.01 - 2000.03 UBC Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund committee

Service to the Academic Community

Program Committees

- 2011 Twenty-Second International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 11)

(Anonymous) Peer Reviewing

- 2011 Ninth Metaheuristics International Conference (MIC 2011)
- 2011 Fourteenth International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2011)
- 2011 Twenty-Second International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2011)
- 2008 Computers & Operations Research (Journal)

- 2008 Eleventh International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2008)
- 2007 Twentieth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2007)
- 2007 International Symposium on Combinatorics, Algorithms, Probabilistic and Experimental Methodologies (ESCAPE 2007)
- 2006 Twelfth International Conference on Principles and Practice of Constraint Programming (CP 2006)
- 2006 Ninth International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2006)
- 2004 Nineteenth National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2004)
- 2003 Ninth International Conference on Principles and Practice of Constraint Programming (CP 2003)
- 2003 Sixth International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2003)
- 2003 IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (Journal)

Professional Development

- 2010 From TeachScheme to ReachJava: how to design programs teaching workshop.
- 2001 Stochastic local search workshop, IJCAI-01.
- 2001 Empirical analysis and methods workshop, IJCAI-01.
- 1997 Dale Carnegie course in professional communication.

Publications

Refereed Conference Proceedings

- [1] Dave A. D. Tompkins, Adrian Balint, and Holger H. Hoos. Captain Jack: New variable selection heuristics in local search for SAT. In Karem Sakallah and Laurent Simon, editors, *Proceedings of the Fourteenth International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2011)*, volume 6695 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 302–316. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2011. (*acceptance rate: 44%*).
- [2] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Holger H. Hoos. Dynamic scoring functions with variable expressions: New SLS methods for solving SAT. In Ofer Strichman and Stefan Szeider, editors, *Proceedings of the Thirteenth International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2010)*, volume 6175 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 278–292. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2010. (*acceptance rate: 38%*).
- [3] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Holger H. Hoos. On the quality and quantity of random decisions in stochastic local search for SAT. In Luc Lamontagne and Mario Marchand, editors, *Proceedings of the Nineteenth Conference of the Canadian Society for Computational Studies of Intelligence (AI 2006)*, volume 4013 of *Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence*, pages 146–158. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2006. (**Best Paper Award**) (*acceptance rate: 21%*).

- [4] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Holger H. Hoos. UBCSAT: An implementation and experimentation environment for SLS algorithms for SAT and MAX-SAT. In Holger Hoos and David Mitchell, editors, *Revised Selected Papers from the Seventh International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing (SAT 2004)*, volume 3542 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 306–320. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2005. (*acceptance rate: 33%*).
- [5] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Holger H. Hoos. Warped landscapes and random acts of SAT solving. In *Proceedings of the Eighth International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence and Mathematics (AI&MATH 2004)*, 2004. (*acceptance rate: 47%*).
- [6] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Holger H. Hoos. Scaling and probabilistic smoothing: Dynamic local search for unweighted MAX-SAT. In Yang Xiang and Brahim Chaib-draa, editors, *Proceedings of the Sixteenth Conference of the Canadian Society for Computational Studies of Intelligence (AI 2003)*, volume 2671 of *Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence*, pages 145–159. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2003. (*acceptance rate: 28%*).
- [7] Frank Hutter, Dave A. D. Tompkins, and Holger H. Hoos. Scaling and probabilistic smoothing: Efficient dynamic local search for SAT. In Pascal Van Hentenryck, editor, *Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on Principles and Practice of Constraint Programming (CP 2002)*, volume 2470 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 233–248. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, 2002. (*acceptance rate: 30%*).
- [8] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Faouzi Kossentini. A fast segmentation algorithm for bi-level image compression using JBIG2. In *Proceedings of the 1999 IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP 1999)*, volume 1, pages 224–228. IEEE Computer Society Press, 1999. (**Invited Paper**).
- [9] Magesh Valliappan, Brian L. Evans, Dave A. D. Tompkins, and Faouzi Kossentini. Lossy compression of stochastic halftones with JBIG2. In *Proceedings of the 1999 IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP 1999)*, volume 1, pages 214–218. IEEE Computer Society Press, 1999. (**Invited Paper**).

Theses

- [10] Dave A. D. Tompkins. *Dynamic Local Search for SAT: Design, Insights and Analysis*. PhD Thesis, University of British Columbia, October 2010.
- [11] Dave A. D. Tompkins. *Rate Control in Bi-Level Image Coding*. Master of Applied Science, University of British Columbia, August 2000.

Technical Reports

- [12] Adrian Balint, Andreas Fröhlich, Dave A. D. Tompkins, and Holger H. Hoos. Sparrow2011. Solver Description, SAT 2011 Competition Booklet, 2011. (**Won 2 Gold Medals – 2011**).
- [13] Holger H. Hoos and Dave A. D. Tompkins. Novelty⁺ and Adaptive Novelty⁺. Solver Description, SAT 2004 Competition Booklet, 2004. (**Won 2 Gold Medals – 2004**).

- [14] Dave A. D. Tompkins, Frank Hutter, and Holger H. Hoos. Scaling and Probabilistic Smoothing (SAPS). Solver Description, SAT 2004 Competition Booklet, 2004. **(Won 2 Silver Medals – 2004)**.
- [15] Dave Tompkins and Faouzi Kossentini. JBIG2 halftones: Analysis and considerations for T.89. Technical Submission, ITU-T SG8, November 1999.
- [16] Dave Tompkins and Faouzi Kossentini. Additional extension segments in JBIG2. Technical Report N1318, ISO/IEC JTC1 SC29 WG1, July 1999.
- [17] Faouzi Kossentini, Dave Tompkins, Soeren Forchhammer, Bo Martins, Ole Jensen, Ian Caven, and Paul Howard. JBIG-like coding of bi-level image data in JPEG-2000. Technical Report N1014, ISO/IEC JTC1 SC29 WG1, October 1998.
- [18] Dave Tompkins and Faouzi Kossentini. Coding of numerical data in JBIG-2. Technical Report N862, ISO/IEC JTC1 SC29 WG1, July 1998.

Posters & Non-Refereed Conference Papers

- [19] Dave Tompkins. Dynamic local search for SAT. Poster, British Columbia Advanced Systems Institute Exchange, 2003. **(Best Poster Award)**.
- [20] Dave A. D. Tompkins and Faouzi Kossentini. Lossless JBIG2 coding performance. In James A. Storer and Martin Cohn, editors, *Proceedings of the 1999 Data Compression Conference (DCC 1999)*, page 553. IEEE Computer Society Press, 1999. (abstract).
- [21] Dave Tompkins. Document image compression. Poster, British Columbia Advanced Systems Institute Exchange, 1999. **(Best Poster Award)**.

Invited Talks & Presentations

- 2010.11 “Scientific Citizens.” UBC 2010 Fall Graduation (Science Ceremony). Vancouver, BC.
- 2010.11 “The Satisfiability Problem.” Vancouver Mensa Group. Vancouver, BC.
- 2005.03 “Adventures in SAT Solving.” UBC Graduate Student Recruitment Talk. Vancouver, BC.
- 2000.04 “JBIG2 Halftoning.” University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX.