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Education

- 8/85 - 5/92 Graduate student in computer science at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Ph.D. in computer science.
- 1972 - 74 Attended Indiana University; M.A. in mathematics.
- 1969 - 72 Attended Miami University of Ohio; graduated in three years with honors; B.S. in mathematics.

Awards and Honors

- 1990 Scholarship, McDonnell Foundation Summer Institute in Cognitive Science
- 1972 Elected President of the Senior Class of Miami University of Ohio.
- 1971 Junior Award in Mathematics, Miami University of Ohio.
- 1971 Elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Employment

- 10/04 – present Research Director, French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS)
- 1/01 – 9/04 Professor of Quantitative Psychology and Cognitive Science, Department of Psychology, University of Liège, Belgium.
- 5/98 – 12/00 Associate Professor, Quantitative Psychology and Cognitive Science, Department of Psychology, University of Liège, Liège, Belgium
- 5/95 – 4/98 Research Scientist, Department of Psychology, University of Liège, Liège, Belgium
- 9/94 - 5/95 Post-doctoral Fellow, Department of Psychology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI;
Lecturer in Cognitive Science in the Department of Educational Psychology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
- 9/92 - 6/94 Visiting Assistant Professor of Computer Science at Willamette University, Salem, OR
- 4/92 - 8/92 Post-doctoral fellow at the Center for Research on Concepts and Cognition, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN.
- 8/85 - 3/92 Research Assistant in Computer Science, Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI;
- 1/91 - 3/91 Visiting Lecturer in Computer Science, Earlham College, Richmond, IN.
- 5/88 - 8/88 Visiting researcher at CREA, Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France
- 1/76 - 8/85 Free-lance translator/interpreter in Paris, France
- 1/75 - 6/75 Instructor of Mathematics at Hanover College, Hanover, IN.
- 9/72 - 12/74 Teaching Assistant in Mathematics, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN.

Ph.D Dissertation

Title: Tabletop: An Emergent, Stochastic Computer Model of Analogy-Making

Co-chairs: Douglas R. Hofstadter and John H. Holland (University of Michigan)

Thesis committee: Douglas Hofstadter, John Holland, Daniel Dennett, Arthur Burks, John Laird, Steve Lytinen

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Grants and Awards

- 2014: University of Burgundy partner, NANTISTA: Neuromorphic Architecture for Nuclear Threat Identification for Security Applications, ANR-14-CE28-0017. 42 months.
- 2010: Principal Investigator for Open Research Area (joint ANR/ESRC, France/UK) grant Grounding Early Time Perception In Motor Activity (GETPIMA). Three partners. Total amount of award: 510,000 euro.
- 2007: Co-Principal Investigator for European Commission FP6 grant NEST PATHFINDER no. 029088, *Humans — the Analogy-making Species (ANALOGY)*. Nine partners. Total amount of award: 1.8 million euro.
- 2005: Co-Principal Investigator for European Commission FP6 grant NEST PATHFINDER no. 516542, *From Associations to Rules in the Development of Concepts (FAR)*. Five partners. Total amount of the award: 1.3 million euro.
- 2005: Co-Principal Investigator for a Burgundy regional FABER grant: Total amount of the award: 139,500 euro
- 2002: Principal Investigator for a Fonds de la Recherche Grant, Université de Liège. “La modélisation connexionniste de l’oubli catastrophique et de l’apprentissage chez les bilingues.” Award: 16,922 euro (~\$15,300).
- 2001: Research Partner on Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Research Grant no. R000239112 (“A computational account of early infant categorisation”, Coordinator: Denis Mareschal, 2001-2004). Total amount of the award: £262,572 (= 403,326 €).
- 1999: Principal Investigator for Research Training Network Grant HPRN-CT-1999-00065 from the European Commission: 48-month research project with 5 partners in Britain, France and Belgium. Total amount of award: 980,000 euros
- 1998: Principal Investigator for a Fonds de la Recherche Grant, Université de Liège. “La modélisation informatique de l’organisation mémoire chez les humains, en particulier, chez les bilingues” Award: 1,300,000 BEF (~\$30,000).
- 1998: CGRI-FNRS-British Research Council Collaborative Research Grant (with D. Mareschal, Birkbeck, London and Michael Thomas, University College, London)
- 1997: CGRI-FNRS-British Research Council Collaborative Research Grant (with D. Mareschal, University of Exeter): “Category variability as the key to selective memory loss in aphasic patients: a connectionist approach.”
- 1996: CGRI-FNRS-British Research Council Collaborative Research Grant (with D. Mareschal, University of Exeter) entitled “The role of catastrophic interference in infant concept acquisition: A connectionist modeling approach.”

Publications*

Books

French, R. (1995). *The Subtlety of Sameness: A theory and computer model of analogy-making*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

Edited Books

French, R. M. and Thomas, E. (2008). *From Associations to Rules: Connectionist Models of Behavior and Cognition*. Singapore: World Scientific.

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Translated Books

Henry, J. and **French, R. M.** (1985). *Gödel, Escher, Bach: les Brins d'une Guirlande Eternelle*. French Translation of *Gödel, Escher, Bach: an Eternal Golden Braid* by Douglas R. Hofstadter. Paris, France: InterEditions.

Peer-reviewed articles

Articles in Peer-reviewed Journals

French, R. M., Thévenin, M., Hamel, M., and Montbarbon, E. (2017). A Histogram-Difference Method (HDM) for Neutron/Gamma Discrimination Using Liquid and Plastic Scintillators. *IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science* (in press).

Mareschal, D. and **French, R. M.** (2017) TRACX2: a connectionist autoencoder using graded chunks to model infant visual statistical learning. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 2017 372 20160057; doi: 10.1098/rstb.2016.0057.

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- French, R. M.** (1995). The Problem of Representation and the Necessary Interaction Between Top-down and Bottom-up Processing. In B. Kokinov (ed.). *Perspectives in Cognitive Science*, Sofia: New Bulgarian University Press, 103-107.
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- French, R. M.** (1996). Review of Paul M. Churchland, *The Engine of Reason, the Seat of the Soul* (The MIT Press, Cambridge, MA). In *Minds and Machines*, 6(3), 416-421.

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- French, R. M.** (1987). Singe, un générateur aléatoire de texte, *Pour la Science* (French edition of *Scientific American*), June 1987, 17-22.
- French, R. M.** (1987). Le théorème de Banach-Tarski. *Pour la Science*, Feb., 112-117.
- French, R. M.** (1985). Pangrammes et anagrammes, *Pour la Science*, July, 11-15.

Professional activities

Grant Review Boards and Expert Consultancy

- External evaluator for the National Science Foundation (NSF, U.S.A.) Graduate Research Fellowship Program for 2017 (GRFP 2017), January 2017.
- External evaluator for the European Commission, H2020 FET-OPEN, November 2015.
- External evaluator for the European Research Council (ERC), Consolidator call, 2015, Panel SH4, "The human mind and its complexity", September 2015.

- External evaluator for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Canada, December 2010.
- Grant evaluation panel for European Commission FP7 Future and Emerging Technologies (FET-OPEN), September 13-16, 2010.
- Grant evaluation panel for European Commission FP7 ICT, June 5-9, 2010.
- Grant evaluation panel member for IGERT for the National Science Foundation (NSF), Washington, D.C., June 18-19, 2007.
- NSF external evaluator, September 2006.
- Grant evaluation panel for European Commission FET-OPEN FP7, June 26-27, 2007
- Grant evaluation panel for European Commission FET-OPEN FP7, June 11-15, 2007
- Invited to Key Technologies for European Commission FP7 workshop, September 19-20, 2005.
- Grant evaluation Panel for European Commission NEST 6th Framework, November 22, 2004.
- Grant evaluation Panel for European Commission NEST 6th Framework, October 18-22, 2004.
- Consulting panel for the development of research funding themes for the European Commission Seventh Framework Program, 21-22 April, 2004.
- Grant evaluation Panel for European Commission Networks of Excellence/Integrated Projects: Information Society Technologies (IST) 6th Framework, Nov. 10-18, Dec. 8-10, 2003.
- Consulting panel for the European Commission, creation of a nanotechnology call, 10-11 September, 2003
- Consulting panel for the European Commission, creation of a Cognitive Science initiative, 8 May, 2003
- Future Emerging Technologies (FET) – Open European Commission Grant evaluation Panel, March 2002.
- Proposal Evaluator for European Commission Information Technologies Initiative, May 2001
- Proposal Evaluation Panel for the European Commission Neuroinformatics Initiative, Nov. 2000.
- Grant Proposal Reviewer for the Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (NWO).
- Grant Proposal Reviewer for the *Cognitive* Program, France.

Ad Hoc Referee for:

Adaptive Behavior
Artificial Life,
The Behavior and Brain Sciences,
Brain and Cognition,
Cognition;
Cognitive Science Society Conference Proceedings, 1992-2015;
Cognitive Science;
Cognitive Systems Research;
Communications of the ACM;
Connection Science;
European Journal of Cognitive Psychology,
Evolution and Human Behavior,
IEEE Transactions on Autonomous Mental Development
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition

Le Travail Humain;
Machine Learning;
Mind and Language;
Network: Computation in Neural Systems
Philosophical Psychology;
Psychologica Belgica
Psychological Review
Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology
Topics in Cognitive Science

Master's theses (Research)

Florence Mourer (2012)
 Elif Kus (2005)

Doctoral Theses Supervised or Co-supervised:

Yannick Glady (2010 - 2013)
 Lori Van Riper (2007 – 2011)
 Milena Vezneva (2007 – 2011)
 Maud Jacquet (2001 – 2005)
 Martial Mermillod (2000 – 2004)
 Jacques Sougné (1995-1999)

Post-doctoral researchers supervised

Alessandro Carlini (2012-2013)
 Yannick Gérard (2012)
 Caspar Addyman (2009-2010)
 Rosemary Cowell (2006 -2008)
 Alastair Gill (2006 – 2007)
 Carlo Fulvi Mari (2000 – 2001).

Doctoral Committees:

Université de Bourgogne-Franche Comte, doctoral committee member for Ugo Andral.
 Dissertation title: Algorithme d'évolution pour laser à fibre optique en régime d'impulsions courtes. (2016).

Université de Bourgogne-Franche Comte, doctoral committee member for Olivier Boisard.
 Dissertation title: Optimization and implementation of bio-inspired feature extraction frameworks for visual object recognition. (2016).

Université de Pierre Mendès-France, Grenoble, HDR doctoral committee member for Benoît Lemaire. HDR thesis title : Modèles computationnels du traitement cognitif des textes : entre sémantique, vision et mémoire. (2014).

Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, doctoral committee member for Yannick Glady,
 dissertation title: Le raisonnement par analogie et son développement, rôle des fonctions exécutives et du but de la tâche. (2013).

Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, doctoral committee member for Lori Van Riper,
 dissertation title: Les étiologies de la perte auditive chez le nourrisson et des mesures nouvelles pour évaluer l'amélioration de l'ouïe engendrée par les prothèses auditives. (2011).

Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, doctoral committee member for Milena Vezneva,
 dissertation title: Développement du raisonnement analogique : rôle de la composante exécutive d'inhibition. (2011).

- Université de Franche-Comté, Besançon*, HDR doctoral committee member for Fabien Mathy. Dissertation title: Apprentissage, Chunking et Capacité de la Mémoire chez l'Adulte. (2011).
- Université de Bourgogne, Dijon*, doctoral committee member for Charles Delbé, dissertation title: Musique, Psychoacoustique et Apprentissage Implicite Vers un modèle intégré de la cognition musicale. (2009).
- Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble*, Doctoral committee member for Vivien Robinet. Dissertation title : Modélisation cognitive computationnelle de l'apprentissage inductif de *chunks* basée sur la théorie algorithmique de l'information. (2009).
- Université Libre de Bruxelles*, Doctoral committee member for Antoine Pasquali. Dissertation title: Learning with and without consciousness : Empirical and explorations. (2009).
- University of Queensland, Australia*. Doctoral committee member (rapporteur) for Ruth Jennifer Schulz. Dissertation title: *Spatial Language for Mobile Robots: The Formation and Generative Grounding of Toponyms*. (2008).
- University of Sussex, Brighton, UK* : Bartholomew Baddeley. Dissertation title: Using neural networks for the adaptive control of movements : an investigation into the problem of interference in distributed feedforward networks. Department of Cognitive Science, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK. (2006)
- University of Queensland, Australia*. Doctoral committee member (rapporteur) for James Watson. Dissertation title: *From genes to phenes and back again: Modelling the interaction between individual behaviour and evolution* (2006).
- Université de Liège*, doctoral committee member for Maud Jacquet, dissertation title: *Fluence conceptuelle : Etude à travers la mémoire bilingue et monolingue*. (2005).
- University of Queensland, Australia*. Doctoral committee member (rapporteur) for Scott Boland. Dissertation title: *F AE: The Fluid Analogies Engine. A Dynamic, Hybrid Model of Perception and Mental Deliberation* (2005).
- Université de Liège*, doctoral committee member for Martial Mermillod, dissertation title: Perceptual categorization and memory in human and connectionist systems: evidence from neural computation (2004).
- Université de Pierre Mendès-France, Grenoble*, doctoral committee member (rapporteur) for Serban Musca, dissertation title: Auto-rafraîchissement de la mémoire humaine : Etudes comportementales et simulations en réseau de neurones dual réverbérant (2004).
- Université de Bourgogne, Dijon*, doctoral committee member (rapporteur) for Bénédicte Poulin, dissertation title: Effet d'expertise sur le traitement des structures musicales (2003).
- Université de Liège*, doctoral committee member for Frédéric Simons, dissertation title: Exploration des processus de décision dans une perspective évolutionnaire: le cas de l'effet de cadrage (2002).
- Université Libre de Bruxelles*, doctoral committee member for Maud Boyer, dissertation title: Les mécanismes d'abstraction dans l'apprentissage de séquence: Etudes empiriques et modélisation. (2001).
- Vrije Universitat van Brussel* doctoral committee member for Dirk van Rooy, dissertation title: A connectionist model of illusory correlation in groups. (2001).
- Université Libre de Bruxelles*, doctoral committee member for Arnaud Destrebecqz, dissertation title: l'Apprentissage implicite: une étude computationnelle, expérimentale, et neurobiologique. (2000).
- Université de Liège*, doctoral committee member for Jacques Sougné, dissertation title: INFERNET: A computational model of binding and inference. (1999).
- Université de Liège*, doctoral committee member for André Ferrara; dissertation title: Dynamique de l'adaptation au temps et modèle de l'horloge interne. (1999).

Université de Paris XIII, referee (rapporteur) for the doctoral committee of Damien Ploix; dissertation title: *Elaboration, Réalisation, et Evaluation d'un environnement de programmation analogique*. (1999).

University of Oxford, Oxford, U.K.: doctoral committee member for Michael Thomas; dissertation title: *Knowledge Representation and Connectionist Networks* (1997).

Université de Paris XIII, referee (rapporteur) for the doctoral committee of Renaud Dumeur; dissertation title: *Synthèse de comportements animaux individuels et collectifs par Algorithmes Génétiques* (1993).

Editorships and Journal Affiliations

Senior Editorial Board Member, *Topics in Cognitive Science*, 2012 - present.

Senior Editor for Computer Science for the *Macmillan Encyclopedia of the Cognitive Sciences*. London: Nature Publishing Group;

Editorial Review Board for *Frontiers in Cognitive Science*: 2010 - 2013.

Associate Editor of *Trends in Cognitive Sciences*: 2000-2010;

Board of Reviewers, *Cognitive Science* 2000-2005;

Editorial board member of the *Journal of Experimental and Theoretical Artificial Intelligence*;

Associate for *The Behavior and Brain Sciences*.

Conferences/workshops organized

Organized (with Jean-Pierre Thibaut) the Third International Conference on Analogy. Held at the University of Burgundy, Dijon, August 6-8, 2013.

Organized the Tenth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop (NCPW10), held April 12-14, 2007 at the University of Burgundy, Dijon, France.

Organized (with Jacque Sougné) the Sixth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop (NCPW6). Held at the University Liège, September 16-18, 2000.

Organized an international workshop on implicit learning at the University of Liège, March 28, 1998. Title of the workshop: "The role of implicit memory and implicit learning in representing the world."

Professional Workshops

Invited to lecture at the 2016 Summer School in Computational Modeling, Toblach (Dobbiaco), Italy, July 10-24, 2016.

Invited to lecture at the 2012 Summer School in Computational Modeling, Berguen, Switzerland, June 24-July 7, 2012.

Invited to lecture at the ESCOP Summer School 2010 on Computational Modeling, Mallnitz, Austria, July 9-19, 2010.

Invited to lecture on connectionist networks at the International Cognitive Science Summer Institute at the New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria, July 20-27, 2003.

Invited to lecture at the Santa Fe Complex Systems Summer School, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, July 23-27, 2001.

Invited to lecture on computer modeling of analogy-making and on catastrophic forgetting in connectionist networks at the International Cognitive Science Summer Institute at the New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria, September 12-24, 1994 and July 2-12, 1995.

Selected to organize a workshop on catastrophic forgetting in connectionist networks for the 1993 Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) conference, Vail, Colorado, December 3-4, 1993.

Selected to participate in the 1990 Dartmouth Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience, July 4-15, 1990.

Professional Boards

Member of the TEMPUS Project Evaluation Board for the establishment of a cognitive science program at the New Bulgarian University in Sofia, Bulgaria, 1998-1999.
 Member of the European Committee of the Cognitive Science Society (2013-present)
 Executive Board member of the Belgian Psychological Society (2000-2002).
 International Advisory Board for the New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria.

Conference Program Committees

Cognitive Science Society Annual Conference: 2002-2016 (except 2015)
 Interdisciplinary Conference on Modeling and Using Context, Paris, 2005
 European Cognitive Science Conference, 2003, 2007.
 Artificial Life VII, Portland, Oregon, USA, 2000
 Conference on Computation, Metaphors, and Agents, 1998

Interviews

- James Perkins, BYU Radio, U.S.A., We're far from passing the Turing Test, July 2014
- Brandon Keim <brandon@earthlab.net>, 11 April, 2012, "Artificial Intelligence could be on the brink of passing the Turing Test" <http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2012/04/turing-test-revisited/>
- Charles Choi, journalist for science news service InnovationNewsDaily which is syndicated by Scientific American, USA Today, MSNBC and Fox News, among others" 11 April 2012
 Articles resulting from this interview : 'Turing Test' within reach for Artificial Intelligence computers?'
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/04/12/artificial-human-intelligence-computers-turing-test_n_1422103.html
<http://blogs.scientificamerican.com/assignment-impossible/2012/04/12/visions-a-different-point-of-view/>
- John Pavlus, BBC Future. May 10, 2012, Article: "Will we ever pass the Turing Test for computers", BBC Future, May 16, 2012
- Roger Hearing, BBC World Service (radio interview), Special broadcast on Alan Turing, June 23, 2012.
- Catherine Bolgar. The Wall Street Journal On-Line. "Will Computers Control Us? Computers can do complex math but are puzzled by simplicity" Nov. 2, 2005.

Oral Presentations at International Conferences

- 2016: • GAMIT: A new memory model of interval time perception to account for retrospective and prospective timing. ASIC 2016, Val Gardena, Italy, July 4, 2016
- 2012: • The Memory Game paradox: how do children play so well? ASIC 2012, Cala Gonone, Sardinia, Italy, June 7, 2012
- 2011: • TRACX: A Recognition-based connectionist framework for sequence segmentation and chunk extraction, ASIC 2011, Caldes de Boi, Spain, July 7, 2011.
 • Creativity and Discovery: Opposite ends of a continuum of constraints. International Conference on Creativity and Cognition, Ahmedabad, India, October 29, 2011
- 2009: • The perils of constrained randomization. Eighth Annual Summer Interdisciplinary Conference, Aosta, Italy. July 27, 2009.

- Cognitive Load and Analogy-making in Children: Explaining an Unexpected Interaction. 31st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Amsterdam, Holland. August 1, 2009.
- 2008: • The Red Tooth Hypothesis: Predator-prey relations and the maintenance of sexual reproduction, 12th Annual Symposium on Evolutionary Biology, Marseille, France, Sept. 24-26, 2008.
- Analogy-making in children: The importance of processing constraints. 30th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
- The emergence of rules in an unsupervised neural network. CSCA Connectionist Models Seminar. Invited talk. University of Amsterdam, Holland, June 27, 2008.
- 2007: • KAMA: A Temperature-Driven Model of Mate-Choice using Dynamic Partner Representations. Tenth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop, Dijon, France. April 13, 2007.
- Analogy-Making: Resolved and Unresolved Mysteries. Invited Symposia. *B. Kokinov, D. Gentner, S. Christie, L.A. Dumas, K. Kurtz, et R. French.*, EuroCogSci, May 2007, Delphi, Greece.
- 2005: A cat is a cat is a cat: Or is it? Reflections on modeling infant perceptual categorization. Annual Summer Interdisciplinary Conference 2005 (ASIC 2005), July 26, 2005, Briançon, France.
- 2004: Why You'll Remember This Talk and Most Networks Wouldn't or The Problem (and a Solution to) Catastrophic Forgetting in Neural Networks. Keynote Speaker. Ninth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop, Plymouth, UK. September 8-10, 2004.
- 2003: • The importance of long-term memory in infant perceptual categorization. 25th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Boston, MA, U.S.A.
- 2002: • The Importance of Starting Blurry: Simulating Improved Basic-Level Category Learning in Infants Due to Weak Visual Acuity. 24th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society. Fairfax, Virginia, U.S.A.
- Four Problems with Extracting Human Semantics from Large Text Corpora. 24th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Fairfax, Virginia, U.S.A.
- Preventing Catastrophic Interference in Multiple-Sequence Learning Using Coupled Reverberating Elman Networks. 24th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Fairfax, Virginia, U.S.A.
- 2001: • Reversing Category Exclusivities in Infant Perceptual Categorization: Simulations and Data. 23rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Edinburgh, U.K.
- Reversing Asymmetric Infant Perceptual Categorization. European Society for Cognitive Psychology (ESCOP), Edinburgh, U.K.
- Pseudopatterns and dual-network memory models: Advantages and shortcomings, Sixth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop, Liège, Belgium.
- The Resemblance of One-year-old Infants to Their Fathers: Refuting Christenfeld and Hill (1995). 22nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
- 1999: • Modeling time perception in rats: Evidence for catastrophic interference in animal learning. 21st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- A Connectionist Account of Perceptual Category-Learning in Infants. 21st Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Conference, Vancouver, Canada.

- 1998: • Do Category-Specific Semantic Deficits Reflect Differences in the Distributions of Features Within a Unified Semantic Memory? 20th Annual Cognitive Science Society Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A.
- 1997: • Selective memory loss in aphasics: An insight from pseudo-recurrent connectionist networks. Fourth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop, London, U.K.
 • A Neurobiologically Inspired Model of Working Memory Based on Neuronal Synchrony and Rythmicity. Fourth Neural Computation and Psychology Workshop, London, U.K.
 • Homographic self-inhibition and the disappearance of priming: More evidence for an interactive-activation model of bilingual memory. 19th Annual Cognitive Science Society Conference, Stanford, California, U.S.A.
- 1996: Using interlexical nonwords to support an interactive-activation model of bilingual memory. 18th Annual Cognitive Science Society Conference, San Diego, California, U.S.A.
- 1995: Using non-cognate interlexical homographs to study bilingual memory organization. 17th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
- 1994: Dynamically constraining connectionist networks to produce distributed, orthogonal representations to reduce catastrophic interference. 16th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A.
- 1993: Catastrophic forgetting in connectionist networks: Can it be predicted, can it be prevented? In Cowan, J.D., Tesauro, G., and Alspector, J. (eds.). Neural Information Processing Workshop on Catastrophic Forgetting, Vail, Colorado, U.S.A..
- 1991: Using Semi-distributed Representations to Overcome Catastrophic Forgetting in Connectionist Networks. 13th Annual Cognitive Science Society Conference, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.
- 1988: Subcognitive Probing: Hard Questions for the Turing Test. 10th Annual Cognitive Science Society Conference, Montreal, Canada.

Selected Colloquia

- TRACX and TRACX2: A Recognition-Based Recursive Autoassociative Connectionist Framework for Sequence Segmentation and Chunk Extraction. Centre for Research on Cognition and Neuroscience (CRCN), Psychology Department, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium, June 7, 2017
- A novel explanation for children's exception performance on the game of Concentration. Psychology Department, Plymouth University, Plymouth, U.K., October 26, 2016
- Using Support Vector Machines (SVM) for neutron-gamma discrimination, Commissariat de l'Energie Atomique (CEA), Saclay, France, July 22, 2015.
- How connectionist auto-encoders can explain infants' ability to segment continuous speech streams into words, Psychology Dept., Hertfordshire University, UK, Oct. 23, 2014.
- TRACX : A new memory-based view of how infants segment continuous speech streams into words, Psychology Dept., Université de Pierre-Mendès France, Grenoble, Oct. 2, 2014.
- Learning to beat your five-year-old at the Memory Game! Psychology Dept., Birkbeck College, U. of London, January 23, 2013.
- A neural network explanation of the Memory Game paradox: explaining how children play

- so well. Psychology Dept., U. of Warwick, UK. November 22, 2012.
- TRACX: A recognition-based connectionist framework for sequence segmentation and chunk extraction. Psychology Dept., U. of Bristol, Bristol, UK, November 21, 2012.
- TRACX: Sequence segmentation using a recursive auto-associator. Laboratoire de Psychologie Cognitive, Université de Provence, Marseille. January 13, 2012.
- TRACX: A recognition-based connectionist framework for sequence segmentation and chunk extraction. Psychology Dept., University of Zurich, Switzerland, May 23, 2011.
- Harnessing noise for robotic communication. University of Lausanne, Switzerland, April 7, 2011.
- L'Hypothèse de la Dent Rouge: Une simulation informatique des relations prédateur-proie et le rapport avec la maintenance de la reproduction sexuelle. Séminaire du Pôle Evolution du Vivant, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France, Nov. 6, 2009.
- The Red Tooth Hypothesis: Predator-prey relations, protean escape behavior and sexual reproduction. School of Psychology, Exeter University, UK., Oct. 14, 2008
- KAMA: un nouveau modèle de "mate-choice". Psychology Department, University of Poitiers, Poitiers, France, February 14, 2008.
- The Emergence of Rules in Category Learning: A Semi-supervised Neural Network Model. Invited lecture. New Bulgarian University. July 16, 2007. Sofia, Bulgaria.
- La modélisation informatique en psychologie. University of Burgundy, Doctoral College invited lecture series, April 2006.
- La modélisation, à quoi bon ? Invited lecture. RTP-CNRS Workshop « Musique, cognition, et société ». IRCAM, Paris, June 24, 2006
- Perceptual categorization in young infants. Invited lecture. Department of Psychology, University Blaise Pascal, Clermont-Ferrand, April 13, 2006.
- Les modèles informatiques de la cognition. Invited lecture. Ecole doctorale, Department of Psychology, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France. April 6, 2006.
- Fluidly representing the world: Way, way harder than you think. ESF Exploratory Workshop on Understanding the Dynamics of Knowledge. Invited talk. Sienna, Italy, November 17, 2005.
- Category learning in early infancy. Invited lecture, Dept. of Psychology, University of York, UK., May 31, 2005
- Why you will remember this talk and a Neural Network would not. Invited lecture. Cognitive Science Department, METU University, Ankara, Turkey. June 4, 2004.
- A cat is a cat is a cat. Or is it? Perceptual bottom-up categorization in young infants: a computational model and empirical data. Two invited lectures at Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey. March 23-24, 2004.
- The use of auto-encoders to model categorization in young infants. Invited lecture. Department of Psychology. University of Ghent, Belgium. March 2, 2004.
- La suppression de l'oubli catastrophique dans les réseaux de neurones à l'aide du bruit. Invited speaker: Laboratoire d'Electronique, Informatique et Image (LE2I), Dijon, France. December 20, 2002.
- Un modèle connexionniste de la catégorisation chez les enfants en bas âge. Invited speaker: Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble (INPG), Grenoble, France. December 6, 2002.
- Un modèle connexionniste de la catégorisation chez les enfants en bas âge (et des pertes catégorielles sélectives chez les amnésiques): prédictions et données empiriques. Invited Speaker: Laboratoire d'Etude des Mécanismes cognitifs. Université de Lyon 2, Lyons, France, December 5, 2002.
- Using noise to overcome catastrophic interference in neural networks, SISTA seminar, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KUL), Invited lecture, Nov. 21, 2002.

- Les réseaux connexionnistes au service de la psychologie cognitive: Quelques prédictions surprenantes. Invited speaker: GREN, Université Catholique de Louvain, Woluwe, Belgium, February 15, 2002.
- The Turing Test and the Problem of Representation in Artificial Intelligence. Invited speaker, Belgian Association for Psychology Students, Liège, Belgium, March 13, 2001.
- Au coeur de l'abstraction: la variance intra-catégorielle. Invited speaker, ACI Cognitive - Atelier Abstraction" Deuxième Journée Thématique "Catégories abstraites et catégories contextuelles" Ministère de la Recherche, Paris, France, January 11, 2001.
- Why representing the world is (a lot) harder than you think. Invited speaker, Birkbeck College, London, November 3, 2000.
- A dual-memory model connectionist explanation of category-specific deficits in amnesiacs. Invited speaker, NICI, Nijmegen, Holland, March 1, 2000.
- Dogs, cats, butterflies and chairs and their relation to a connectionist explanation of category-specific deficits in amnesiacs. Invited speaker, Department of Cognitive Sciences, New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria, January 5, 2000.
- Un modèle connexionniste des déficits cérébraux sélectifs. Invited speaker, Department of Psychology, Université de Pierre Mendez-France, Grenoble, France, February 9, 1999.
- Dogs, cats, butterflies and chairs and their relation to a connectionist explanation of category-specific deficits in amnesiacs. Invited speaker, Department of Cognitive Sciences, Edinburgh University, Edinburgh, Scotland, December 4, 1998.
- Le modèle « pseudo-récurrent » et une explication éventuelle des déficits cérébraux sélectifs chez les amnésiques. Invited speaker, Département de Mathématiques, Université de Genève, Geneva, Switzerland, November 12, 1998.
- Monogamy with cuckoldry: an evolutionarily optimal strategy? Invited speaker. Portland State University, Portland, Oregon, August 17, 1998.
- La compréhension et la modélisation informatique du bilinguisme. Faculty of Experimental Psychology Colloquium, University of Liège, Liège, Belgium, December 9, 1997.
- What connectionism has to say about bilingual memory organization. Invited speaker. Santa Fe Institute, Santa Fe, New Mexico, August 18, 1997.
- Les ruptures analogiques et non-analogiques dans l'histoire de l'architecture. Invited speaker. School of Architecture, University of Liège, Belgium. March 12, 1997
- What makes representing the world so hard for computers? Invited speaker at *Liquid Visions Conference on Science, Technology and Aesthetics*. Lucerne, Switzerland, January 18, 1997.
- Catastrophic interference in connectionist networks: The cruel necessity of keeping representations apart. Invited lecture. Department of Cognitive Science, Oxford University, Oxford, England, May 24, 1996.
- Using interlexical homographs and nonwords to support an interactive-activation model of bilingual memory. Invited lecture. Department of Psychology, Exeter University, Exeter, England, May 21, 1996.
- La subtilité de l'identité: un modèle informatique de l'analogie. Faculty of Experimental Psychology Colloquium lecture, University of Liège, Liège, Belgium, May 14, 1996.
- An interactive-activation model of bilingual memory. Invited talk at the Cognitive Science Department, University of California at Irvine, Irvine, California. November 21, 1995.
- The interactive-activation model of bilingual memory: Support from non-cognate interlexical homographs and nonwords. Invited lecture for the Department of psychology, University of Amsterdam. Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 26, 1995.
- L'emploi des homographes interlexicaux pour étudier l'organisation mémoire chez les bilingues. Invited lecture. Psychology colloquium series, University of Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, May 24, 1995.

- Dynamically constraining hidden-layer units to reduce catastrophic forgetting in connectionist networks. Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Colloquium, Computer Science Department, University of Wisconsin, September 30, 1994.
- Representation-building in analogical reasoning. In the Symposium “Learning new features of representations” at the Sixteenth Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society, August 14, 1994. (see p. 977 of the *Proceedings* of the Conference).
- Tabletop: A stochastic computer model of analogy-making midway between connectionism and traditional AI. Invited lecture, Reed College, Portland, Oregon, November 17, 1993.
- Catastrophic Forgetting and Incremental Learning in Connectionist Networks, Invited Lecture, AAI Spring Symposium, Stanford University, California, March 24, 1993.
- Tabletop: Une architecture informatique à mi-chemin entre le connexionnisme et l'IA traditionnelle. ATO-CI Invited Lecture, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Montréal, Canada, November 17, 1992.
- Tabletop: A Stochastic Model of Analogy-making as High-level Perception, Invited Lecture for the Psychology Department, University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, California, May 15, 1992.
- Tabletop: An Emergent, Stochastic Model of Analogy-Making, Invited Lecture for the Computer Science Artificial Intelligence Colloquium, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 19, 1991.
- Connexionnisme — L'Etat de l'Art aux Etats-Unis, Séminaire Industriel d'Intelligence Artificielle, organized by the AI Research Group of the Electricité de France, the IBM Scientific Research Center and the Expert Systems Department of Renault, Paris, France, April 10, 1990.
- Subcognition and the Limits of the Turing Test, Turing 1990 Colloquium, University of Sussex, Brighton, U.K., April 6, 1990.
- Tabletop — an Emergent Theory of Analogy-making, Indiana University Cognitive Science Colloquium Series, Bloomington, Indiana, September 18, 1989.
- Tabletop, a computer model of analogy-making, Invited Lecture for Apple Computer Inc., Cupertino, California, July 28, 1989.

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