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Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Sept 2016-Sept 2022
PhD in Brain and Cognitive Sciences Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Sept 2009-June 2013
Bachelors of Science in Physics Bachelors of Science in Brain and Cognitive Sciences	
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Research Groups	
Flatiron Institute Center for Computational Neuroscience	Oct 2022-Present
Research Fellow, Advisors SueYeon Chung and Eero Simoncelli	Sant 2016 Sant 2022
Laboratory for Computational Audition, MIT PhD Candidate, Advisor Josh McDermott	Sept 2016-Sept 2022
Google	June 2019-Sept 2019
Research Intern, Machine Perception	T 2010 1 2010
Lawrence Livermore National Lab CSGF Summer Practicum, Center for Applied Scientific Computing	June 2018-Aug 2018
UC Berkeley & UCSF Graduate Program in BioEngineering	Sept 2015-Aug 2016
PhD Student (Transferred)	**************************************
Kanwisher Lab, MIT	June 2013-Aug 2015
Research Assistant, Advisor Nancy Kanwisher	M 0010 C + 0010
MITRE Corporation Summer Intern, ISR Division	May 2012-Sept 2012
Moore Lab, MIT	Jan 2010-Aug 2011
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Advisor Dominique Pritchett	
Fellowships	
Flatiron Institute Research Fellow	2022-
Friends of McGovern Institute Graduate Fellowship	2020-2021
Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship	2016-2020
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship (declined)	2016
Invited Talks and Panels	
Junior Scientist Workshop on Theoretical Neuroscience, Janelia Campus (u	pcoming) Nov 2023
Comparing artificial and biological networks, Cognitive Computational Neu	1 0,
Junior Theoretical Neuroscience Workshop, Flatiron CCN	June 2023
Flatiron-Wide Machine Learning Meeting	June 2023
Auditory SPLASH, University of Pennsylvania	April 2023
Deep learning in brains, minds and machines, Brown, Guest Lecture	April 2023
Shared Visual Representations in Humans and Machines, NeurIPS Workshopen	
Conference on Frontiers in Applied & Computational Mathematics, NJIT	May 2022
Center for Computational Neuroscience, Flatiron Insitute	February 2022
BCS-CSAIL Bridge, MIT	November 2021
Cog Lunch, MIT Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences	February 2021
Social Cognitive Neuroscience Laboratory, MIT	January 2021
CBMM Panel Discussion: Should models of cortex be falsifiable?, MIT	December 2020
Computational Research in Boston and Beyond	October 2020
Scrutinizing Models of Brain Function, Cosyne Workshop	March 2020

Journal Publications

- Model metamers illuminate divergences between biological and artificial neural networks. **Feather**, **J.**, Leclerc, G., Mądry, A., McDermott, J. (In Press, Nature Neuroscience).
- Many, but not all, deep neural network audio models predict brain responses and exhibit hierarchical layer-region correspondence. Tuckute, G.* Feather, J.*, Boebinger, D., McDermott, J. (submitted, bioRvix preprint available). *co-first authors
- Intracranial recordings from human auditory cortex reveal a neural population selective for song. Norman-Haignere, S., **Feather**, **J.**, Brunner, P., Ritaccio, S., McDermott, J., Schalk, G., and Kanwisher, K. Current Biology. (2022).
- Representational similarity precedes category selectivity in the developing ventral visual pathway. Cohen, M., Dilks, D., Koldewyn, K., Weigelt, S., **Feather J.**, Kell, A., Keil, B., Fischl, B., and Zöllei, L., Wald, L. Saxe, R., Kanwisher K. Neuroimage. (2019).
- Connectivity precedes function in the development of the visual word form area. Saygin, Z., Osher, D., Norton, E., Youssoufian, D., Beach, S., **Feather J.**, Gaab, N., Gabrieli, J., & Kanwisher, K. Nature Neuroscience. (2016).
- Open Science Collaboration. Estimating the reproducibility of psychological science. Science. (2015).
- Open Science Collaboration. An Open, Large-Scale, Collaborative Effort to Estimate the Reproducibility of Psychological Science. Perspectives on Psychological Science. (2012).

Review and Spotlight Articles

Unveiling the benefits of multitasking in disentangled representation formation. **Feather**, **J.** and Chung, S. Trends in Cognitive Science. (2023).

Conference Proceedings

- A Spectral Theory of Neural Prediction and Alignment. Canatar, A.*, **Feather**, **J.***, Wakhloo, A., and Chung, S. (submitted, under review). *co-first authors
- Neural Population Geometry Reveals the Role of Stochasticity in Robust Perception. Dapello, J.*, **Feather, J.***, Le, H.*, Marques, T., Cox, D., McDermott, J., DiCarlo, J.J. and Chung, S. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems. (2021). *co-first authors
- Deep Network Perceptual Losses for Speech Denoising. Saddler MR.*, Francl A.*, **Feather J.**, Qian K. Qian, Zhang Y., & McDermott JH. Interspeech. (2021). *co-first authors
- Metamers of neural networks reveal divergence from human perceptual systems. **Feather J.**, Durango A. Gonzalez R., & McDermott J. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems. (2019).
- Untangling in Invariant Speech Recognition. Stephenson C., Feather J., Padhy S. Elibol O., Tang H., McDermott J., Chung S. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems. (2019).
- Auditory texture synthesis from task-optimized convolutional neural networks. **Feather J.** & McDermott, J. Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience. (2018) (Podium Presentation).

Conference Abstracts

- Model metamers complement existing benchmarks of biological and artificial neural network alignment. **Feather J.**, & McDermott, J. Cosyne Abstracts (2023)
- Many But Not All Deep Neural Network Audio Models Predict Auditory Cortex Responses and Exhibit Hierarchical Layer-Region Correspondence. **Feather J.**, Tuckute, G., Boebinger, D., & McDermott, J. Association for Research in Otolaryngology Midwinter Meeting. (2023).

- Many, but not all, deep neural network audio models predict auditory cortex responses and exhibit hierarchical layer-region correspondence. Tuckute, G., **Feather J.**, Boebinger, D., & McDermott, J. Cosyne Abstracts. (2022).
- Adversarial training aligns invariances between artificial neural networks and biological sensory systems. **Feather J.**, Durango, A., Leclerc, G., Mądry, A., & McDermott, J. Cosyne Abstracts. (2021).
- Adversarially robust training aligns auditory invariances between artificial neural networks and human observers. **Feather J.**, Durango, A., Leclerc, G., Mądry, A., & McDermott, J. Advances and Perspectives in Auditory Neuroscience (APAN). (2020).
- Compression of sound texture statistics reveals low dimensional texture representation. Durango, A.*, **Feather J.***, & McDermott, J. Advances and Perspectives in Auditory Neuroscience (APAN). (2020). *co-first authors
- Model metamers reveal that deep neural network invariances differ from human perceptual invariances. **Feather J.** Durango, A., Gonzalez, R., & McDermott, J. Computational and Systems Neuroscience (Cosyne). (2020).
- Metamers of audio-trained deep neural networks. **Feather J.**, Durango, A., Gonzalez R., & McDermott, J. Advances and Perspectives in Auditory Neuroscience (APAN). (2019).
- Auditory Texture Models Derived from Task-Optimized Deep Neural Network Representations. **Feather J.** & McDermott, J. Association For Research In Otolaryngology (ARO) Annual MidWinter Meeting. (2019) (Podium Presentation).
- Auditory texture synthesis from task-optimized convolutional neural networks. **Feather J.** & McDermott, J. Society for Neuroscience (2018).
- Neural Selectivity for Music, Speech, and Song in Human Auditory Cortex. Norman-Haignere, S., Feather J., Brunner, P., Ritaccio, A., McDermott, J., Kanwisher, N., & Schalk, G. Society for Neuroscience (2018).
- Model sonification reveals advantages of task-optimized sensory models. **Feather J.** & McDermott, J. Computational and Systems Neuroscience (Cosyne). (2018).
- Sonification of auditory models via synthesis of statistically matched stimuli. Feather J. & McDermott, J. International Conference on Auditory Cortex. (2017).
- High-resolution intracranial recordings provide direct electrophysiological evidence for music and speech-selective neural populations in human auditory cortex. **Feather J.**, Norman-Haignere, S., Brunner, P., Ritaccio, A., McDermott, J., Kanwisher, N., & Schalk, G. American Academy of Neurology. (2017) (Podium Presentation).
- High-resolution intracranial recordings provide direct electrophysiological evidence for music and speech-selective neural populations in human auditory cortex. Norman-Haignere, S., **Feather J.**, Brunner, P., Ritaccio, A., McDermott, J., Kanwisher, N., & Schalk, G. Society for Neuroscience (2016).
- Tikhonov regularized regression for voxel-wise modeling of fMRI responses to natural stories. **Feather J.**, Huth, A., Nunez-Elizalde, A., & Gallant, J. Pattern Recognition for Neural Imaging (2016), and Organization for Human Brain Mapping (2016).
- Common representational structures across the ventral visual pathway of children and adults. Cohen, M., Dilks, D., Feather J., Koldewyn, K., Weight, S., & Kanwisher, N. Journal of Vision. (2016).
- Saygin, Z., Scott, T., Feather J., Fedorenko, E., & Kanwisher, N. The VWFA and FFA have sharply contrasting functional selectivities and patterns of connectivity. Journal of Vision 15.12 (2015): 914-914.
- Lafer-Sousa R., Conway, B., Kell, A., **Feather J.**, Takahashi, A., Kanwisher N. Similar organization of the ventral visual pathway in humans and macaque monkeys: Color regions sandwiched between face and scene regions. Soc. Neurosci. Abstr. (2014).

Lafer-Sousa R., Kell, A., Takahashi, A., **Feather J.**, Conway, B., Kanwisher N. Parallel processing of colors and faces in human ventral visual stream: functional evidence and technical challenges. Journal of Vision Abstr. (2014).

Teaching	Experience

MIT Brain And Cognitive Sciences Project Mentor	Sept 2020-Dec 2020
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Projects in the Science of Intelligence

MIT Brain And Cognitive Sciences Teaching Assistant Feb 2017-May 2017

Introduction to Neural Computation

MGH/HST Martinos Center Technical Assistant Sept 2013, April 2014, Sept 2014

Functional MRI Visiting Fellowship, Multimodality Short Course

MIT's Concourse Program Teaching Assistant Sept 2011–May 2013

Introduction to Classical Mechanics, Introduction to Electricity and Magnetism

Mentoring Experience

Flatiron Institute Summer Intern Program, Mentor	2023
MIT Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, Mentor	2018-2022
MIT BCS Postbaccalaureate Program, Mentor	2018-2020
Center for Brain Minds and Machines Summer Research Program, Mentor	2017, 2020

Professional Activities

Flatiron Institute Diversity Committee, Center Representative	2023-Present
Student Representative on BCS Department Head Search Committee	2021
Cosyne Workshop Organizer: Scrutinizing Models of Brain Function	2020
MIT Computational Tutorials, Seminar Organizer	2016-2022
Openmind Computing Cluster, Group Representative	2016-2022
MIT Undergraduate Reading Group in Audition, Organizer	Fall 2012

Honors and Awards

Top 10% High-Scoring Reviewer Award, NeurIPS 2020	2020
Speed Up Green Up AI Hackathon: Most heroic achievement	2020
Travel award for NeurIPS	2019
MIT IBM Quest: Best Poster Award	2019
Travel award for ARO Annual MidWinter Meeting	2019
Travel award for Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience	2018
Hans-Lukas Teuber Award for Outstanding Academics in BCS at MIT	2013

Skills

Machine Learning: TensorFlow, PyTorch

General Software Engineering: Python (numpy, pandas, sklearn), MATLAB Data Visualization: Matplotlib, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, TensorBoard

Perception and Neuroscience: Amazon Mechanical Turk, PsychToolbox, FreeSurfer (fMRI)

Misc: Signal Processing, Parallel Computing, Singularity/Docker, Jupyter, IATEX

Mentorship

Zijing Wu, Flatiron Institute Undergraduate Intern Program	2023-Present
Ariel Largen, Flatiron Institute Undergraduate Intern Program	2023-Present
Francesco Mantegna, Flatiron Institute Graduate Intern Program	2023-Present
Alex Durango, MIT Post-Baccalaureate Program	2019-2021
Christina Trexler, MIT Summer Research Program, Senior Thesis Advisor	2020-2021
Michelle Hung, MIT Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program	2021
Mariana Gomez del Campo, MIT Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program	2018
Pedro Ribeiro, MIT Summer Research Program	2017