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Education

Doctor of Philosophy (Science),

2012-2018

Monash University, Australia,

Developing a best in class solver for nonlinear boundary value problems and gradientfree optimisation techniques. These approaches were employed to explore open problems from atmospheric wave dynamics.

Bachelor of Aerospace Engineering & B. of Science,

2007-2015

Bachelor of Science (Honours, Grade 1),

2011

Experience

Postdoctoral Research Fellow (Computing and Information Systems) 2021– Current (0.5 FTE)

Adversarial behaviours and Certified Guarantees on NGTF AMLC

- Project leader on a \$450,000 research grant covering defences against adversarial attacks in settings outside image-based systems. Separately also the research lead on another project covering novel certification mechanisms for Deep Learning image-based classifiers.
- Developing new research, as well as tools and techniques, to help both understand the risks that deployed machine learning systems face, and to defend against said risks.
- Collaborating with researchers from DST Group, CSIRO, Swinburne, and the University of Melbourne, as well as supervising multiple students.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow (Electrical Engineering) 2019–Current (0.5 FTE) Computational Game Theory, Dynamical Systems, and Machine Learning on DST Group contract

- Working closely with DST group, including multiple presentations within Defence research conferences, resulting in 1 accepted publication with additional works under preparation.
- Preparing documentation to satisfy funding milestones, and producing research plans to justify future funding.
- Hiring, training, and supervising 3 masters students as research assistants.
- Developments from this work are also being applied to a new project on automated software testing.

DAAD Ai-Net Fellow 2023 Selected as a DAAD Ai-Net fellow to hold discussions with German researchers regarding the potential for collaboration on projects relating to Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

Industry-focused Research Fellow (Electrical Engineering) 2019–2021 (1.0 FTE) Signals Propagation, Graph Theory, and Temporal Predictions with Trusted Autonomous Systems DCRC

- Lead primary investigator on contract between Consunet (SME), DST Group, RMIT, University of Sydney and the University of Melbourne.
- Delivering 14 technical reports, IP and code transfer, and dozens of internal technical presentations.

• Hiring, training, and mentoring 2 undergraduate research assistants.

Academic Supervisor

2019-Current

- Co-supervising 5 PhD students, providing mentorship and academic support.
- Lecturing for multiple subjects, with both lecturing and course design for a new Security Analytics Masters level subject.

Victorian GPGPU Symposium

2021

Organised in support of a future ARC LIEF grant

- Member of the organising committee, and responsible for approaching, recruiting, and being the lead point of contact for multiple speakers.
- Conference had over 150 registered attendees, drawing both speakers and audience members from local, and international institutions & industry.

High Performance Computing Consulting

2019-Current

- Providing consulting support for researchers looking to use HPC computing infrastructure, with particular emphasis on GPU accelerated, multi-GPU, and multi-node configurations.
- Designing, ordering, installing, maintaining, and administering a research computing system for 10 users, while ensuring 24/7 uptime.
- Volunteered to provide technical leadership to Camberwell High School (2021).
- Participating in NCI training sessions.

Monash University Teaching Assistant

2010 - 2019

- Teaching engineering mathematics (1st and 2nd year), fluid dynamics and chaotic systems (3rd year), and developing teaching materials. 96.15% approval/strong approval in blind student surveys.
- Mentoring and tutoring Indigenous students in the Indigenous Enabling Program and the Indigenous Non-Award Pathway.

Self-Employed Mathematician and Data Scientist

2012-2019

- Successfully modelling and trading fixed-price financial instruments.
- Helping an ASX listed company identify millions of dollars (per quarter) in unaccounted for chargebacks.
- Designing and testing a live bid-ranking algorithm for a large online tech company with hundreds of thousands of daily users.
- Implementing a design optimisation framework for a multinational naval engineering firm.
- Providing technical consultation and software to several sporting leagues, to help assist in both ensuring equity and solving scheduling problems.

Publications (Accepted)

Cullen, A.C., Rubinstein, B.I.P, Kandeepan, S., Flower, B., Leong, P.H.W., "Predicting Dynamic Spectrum Allocation: A Review covering Simulation, Modeling, and Prediction". *Artificial Intelligence Reviews (Awaiting Publication)*, 2023.

Liu, S., Cullen, A.C., Montague, P., Erfani, S., Rubinstein, B.I.P., "Differentially Private Pointwise Certification Against General Poisoning Attacks". 37th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2023.

- Katzef, M., Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Leckie, C., "Robust Wireless Network Anomaly Detection with Collaborative Adversarial Autoencoders". *IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC)*, 2023.
- Sun, G., Alpcan, T., Camtepe, S., Cullen, A.C., Rubinstein, I.P., "An Adversarial Strategic Game for Machine Learning as a Service using System Features". *AAMAS*, 2023.
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- Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Kalloniatis, A.K., "Adversarial Decisions on Complex Dynamical Systems using Game Theory". *Physica A*, 2022.
- Katzef, M., Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Leckie, C., Kopacz, J., "Wireless Network Simulation to Create Machine Learning Benchmark Data". *GLOBECOM*, 2022.
- Katzef, M., Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Leckie, C., "Generative Adversarial Networks for Anomaly Detection on Decentralised Data". *Annual Reviews in Control*, 2021.
- Katzef, M., Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Leckie, C., Kopacz, J., "Privacy-Preserving Collaborative SDR Networks for Anomaly Detection". *IEEE International Conference on Communications*, 2021.
- Saeed, I., Cullen, A.C., Erfani, S., Alpcan, T., "Domain-Aware Multiagent Reinforcement Learning in Navigation". *International Joint Conference on Neural Networks*, 2021.
- Katzef, M., Cullen, A.C., Alpcan, T., Leckie, C., Kopacz, J., "Distributed Generative Adversarial Networks for Anomaly Detection". *International Conference on Decision and Game Theory for Security*, 2020.
- Cullen, A.C., Clarke, S.R., "A Fast, Spectrall Accurate Homotopy Based Numerical method for Solving Nonlinear Differential Equations". *Journal of Computational Physics*, 2019.
- Cullen, A.C., "A Novel Numerical Solver for Nonlinear Boundary Value Problems, with Applications to the Forced Gardner Equation". *Phd Thesis: Monash University*, 2018.
- Cullen, A.C, Clarke, S.R., "A Fast, Spectrall Accurate Solver for the Falkner–Skan Equation". *ANZIAM Journal* 58, 2016.

Publications (Under Review)

- Cullen, A.C., Montague, P., Liu, S., Erfani, S., Rubinstein, B.I.P., "Exploiting Certified Defences to Attack Randomised Smoothing". *Neurips*, 2023.
- Cullen, A.C., Montague, P., Liu, S., Erfani, S., Rubinstein, B.I.P., "It's Simplex! Disaggregating Measures to Improve Certified Robustness". *IEEE Security & Privacy*, 2023.
- Chan, K.C.H., Cullen, A.C., Clarke, S.R., "Exponential and Algebraic Decaying Solitary Waves and their connection to Hydraulic Fall Solutions". *Special issue of the journal Wave Motion on Nonlinear Waves*, 2023.
- Saeed, I., Cullen, A.C., Erfani, S., and Alpcan, T., "Efficient Environment-Aware Multiagent Reinforcement Learning with Guarantees". *IEEE Transactions on*

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