

# Welcome to CS3200 :-)

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# Getting to Know You!

- Now
  - Poll on <https://northeastern.blackboard.com>
    - “Background” under “Links”
    - Password: “SoCold” 
- Whenever you want :)
  - Come chat with me before/after class and/or during office hours



# My Path to CCIS @ Northeastern



1998-2009

**BitX Solutions, Inc.** Founder & President

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2002-2006

**NC State.** BS Computer Science

- TA, DBMS



2006-2012

**U of Michigan.** MS/PhD Comp Sci and Eng

- TA, AI+DBMS



2012-2014

**Disney Research.** Postdoctoral Associate

- Machine Learning, Optimization, Robotics



2014-2017

**Wentworth.** Assistant Professor

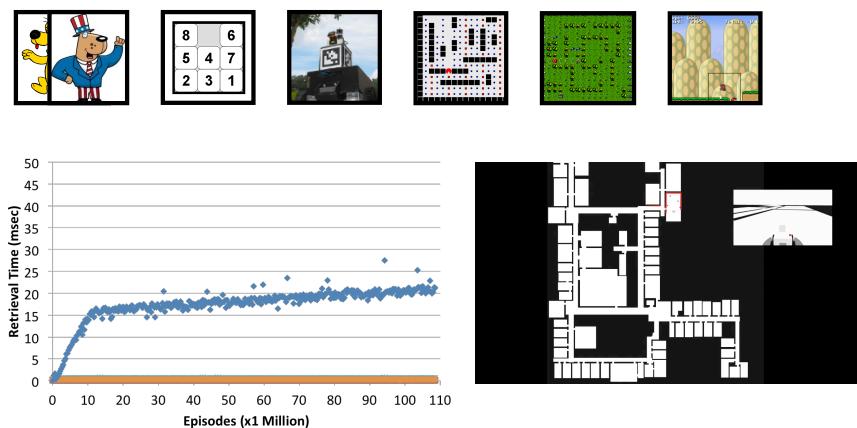
- 3-3, Research/Service Learning



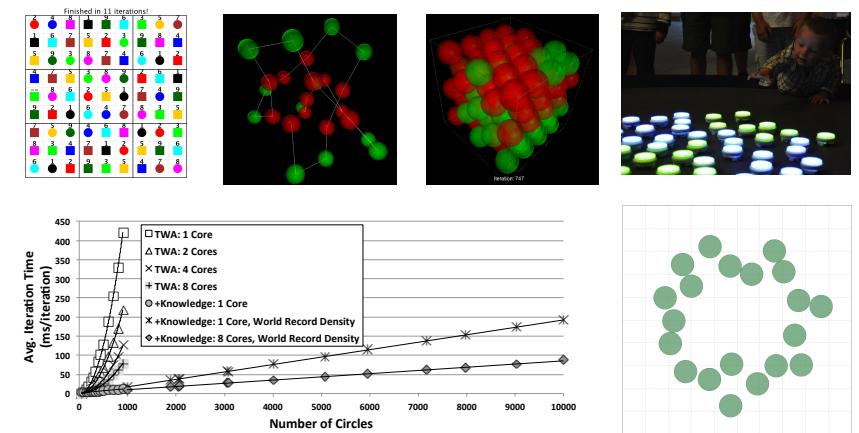
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# Research Interests

## Cognitive Systems



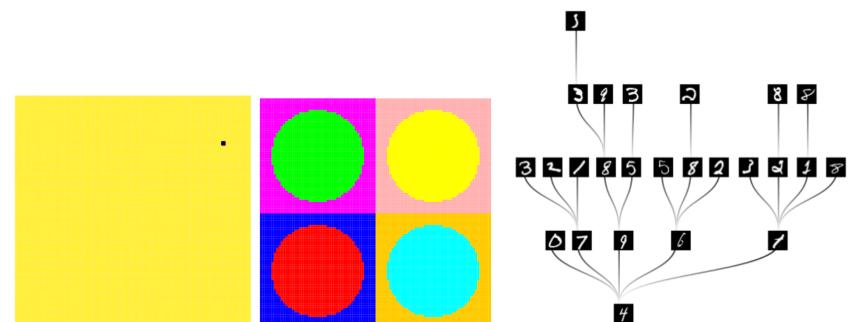
## Scalable Optimization



## AI Applications/Education



## Online ML



# Teaching

## K-12/ICT-D



## UG/Grad

- CS1/2
  - OOP, Foundations
- Databases, Web
- AI, Machine Learning
- HTMAA
  - RPi, Arduino



# Syllabus

- Accessible via Blackboard (Under “Links”)
  - <https://northeastern.blackboard.com>
  - MyNEU
- <https://course.ccs.neu.edu/cs3200sp18s3>



# This Class

After this class, you should be able to...

- Use a relational database (via SQL and code)
- Design a secure, normalized, efficient database
- Understand (some of) how a DBMS works

Expectations of you

- a) Work hard (really hard, it'll be worth it!)
- b) Use resources (read book/materials before class, attend class, etc.)
- c) Start assignments early (you'll need the time!)
- d) Ask for help [if you've done a-c]



# Course Overview

HWProject

Using a Database

What makes up a relational database? (relational data model)

How do I get data in/out of a database? (SQL, relational algebra)

SQL.1

What is this NoSQL stuff? (MongoDB, Neo4j)

SQL.2

**Exam 1**

Intro

Designing a Database

How do I extract data constraints & relationships from req's? (ERD)

ERD

How do I design a database? (mapping, relations)

How do I evaluate a database design? (FDs, normalization)

Map/FD

**Exam 2**

WebDev

DB Apps/  
Internals

How do I write secure database applications? (JDBC, attacks, salt)

App/Hack

ERD, Map, SQL

How do I make a database app fast? (physical design, indexes)

Index

How a DBMS handles multiple users (concurrency, transactions)

Sched

**Exam 3**

Final



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# Lectures -> Understand

- Syntax
- Concepts, algorithms, math, tradeoffs

I will try to include opportunities to **do**

- Come ready to ask participate and ask great questions!



# Homework (40%) -> Use

- Apply ideas from lecture
- Solve problems, evaluate results

## Guidelines

- Code + PDF (ideally L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X)
- Discussion encouraged, but **all submissions must be individual**
  - *Absolutely no sharing code/work* 😠
- Typically due Thursdays @ 6PM
  - Late (50% off): 24 hours
- Blackboard submission: single ZIP



# Exams (40%)

- Logically grouped, *mostly* independent
  - Use, Design, Speed/Internals
- Demonstrate basic understanding of concepts, apply to small problems

## Basic structure

- Review
- Exam
- Exam debrief



# Group Project (20%)

Hands-on experience with a database application, from requirements to GUI

- Design a database given specification
- Write queries to perform operations
- Develop user interface (i.e. app)
- Submit packet, presentation via YouTube, peer evaluation

More details/deadlines to come

- Probably: random groups, base project option + proposal process to deviate

