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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Computer Science, Oregon State University, 2013  
M.S. Computer Science, Oregon State University, 2011  
B.S. Computer Science, minor in Applied Mathematics, University of Washington, 2006  
B.A. English – Creative Writing, University of Washington, 2006  
A.A., Edmonds Community College, 2002

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Assistant Professor, Oregon State University, Sep 2014 – present  
Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Marburg, Aug 2013 – Aug 2014  
Instructor, Oregon State University, Jan 2013 – Jun 2013  
Graduate Research Assistant, Oregon State University, Sep 2007 – Jun 2013  
Software Developer, Institute for Systems Biology, Oct 2006 – Jun 2007  
Software Developer, Teranode Corporation, Jan 2005 – Jun 2006  
Software Developer, Applied Physics Lab, University of Washington, May 2003 – Dec 2004

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Best Paper Award, GPCE 2014  
Achievement Rewards for College Scientists (ARCS) Scholar, 2009 – 2012  
Best Paper Award, DSL 2009  
University of Washington CSE Academic Scholarship, 2005  
University of Washington CSE Award for Academic Excellence, 2004

## RESEARCH GRANTS

Jul 2017 – Jun 2018 “Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC) 2017 Graduate Consortium”, from NSF (IIS-1740926). **\$30,000.**

Oct 2015 – Sep 2019 “IMMoRTALS: Interfaces, Models, and Monitoring for Resource-aware Transformations that Augment the Lifecycle of Systems”, from DARPA BAA-15-36: *Building Resource Adaptive Software Systems (BRASS)*. Subcontract from Raytheon BBN Technologies. **OSU Lead-PI.** Co-PIs: Alex Groce and Arash Termehchy. **\$870,282** (OSU total: \$1.6M, award total: \$7.7M)

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

1. Sheng Chen, Martin Erwig, and Eric Walkingshaw. Extending Type Inference to Variational Programs. *ACM Trans. on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS)*, 36(1):1:1–1:54, 2014.
2. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. A Visual Language for Explaining Probabilistic Reasoning. *Journal of Visual Languages and Computing (JVLC)*, 24(2):88–109, 2013.
3. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. The Choice Calculus: A Representation for Software Variation. *ACM Trans. on Software Engineering and Methodology (TOSEM)*, 21(1):6:1–6:27, 2011.
4. Eric Walkingshaw and Martin Erwig. A Domain-Specific Language for Experimental Game Theory. *Journal of Functional Programming (JFP)*, 19:645–661, 2009.

### Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

5. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Semantics-Driven DSL Design. In Marjan Mernik, editor, *Formal and Practical Aspects of Domain-Specific Languages: Recent Developments*, pages 56–80. IGI Global, 2012.
6. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Variation Programming with the Choice Calculus. In *Generative and Transformational Techniques in Software Engineering (GTTSE)*, pages 55–99, 2012.

### Peer-Reviewed Conference and Workshop Papers

7. Parisa Atai, Arash Termehchy, and Eric Walkingshaw. Variational Databases. In *Int. Symp. on Database Programming Languages (DBPL)*, 2017.
8. Rahul Gopinath and Eric Walkingshaw. How Good are Your Types? Using Mutation Analysis to Evaluate the Effectiveness of Type Annotations. In *Int. Work. on Mutation Analysis (Mutation)*, pages 122–127, 2017. **Best presentation.**
9. Meng Meng, Jens Meinicke, Chu-Pan Wong, Eric Walkingshaw, and Christian Kästner. A Choice of Variational Stacks: Exploring Variational Data Structures. In *Int. Work. on Variability Modelling of Software-Intensive Systems (VaMoS)*, pages 28–35, 2017.
10. Spencer Hubbard and Eric Walkingshaw. Formula Choice Calculus. In *Int. Work. on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD)*, pages 49–57, 2016.
11. Ștefan Stănculescu, Thorsten Berger, Eric Walkingshaw, and Andrzej Wasowski. Concepts, Operations, and Feasibility of a Projection-Based Variation Control System. In *IEEE Int. Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME)*, pages 323–333, 2016.
12. Sheng Chen, Martin Erwig, and Eric Walkingshaw. A Calculus for Variational Programming. In *European Conf. on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP)*, pages 6:1–6:26, 2016.

13. Keeley Abbott, Christopher Bogart, and Eric Walkingshaw. Programs for People: What We Can Learn from Lab Protocols. In *IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 203–211, 2015.
14. Eric Walkingshaw, Christian Kästner, Martin Erwig, Sven Apel, and Eric Bodden. Variational Data Structures: Exploring Trade-Offs in Computing with Variability. In *ACM SIGPLAN Symp. on New Ideas in Programming and Reflections on Software (Onward!)*, pages 213–226, 2014.
15. Eric Walkingshaw and Klaus Ostermann. Projectional Editing of Variational Software. In *ACM SIGPLAN Int. Conf. on Generative Programming: Concepts and Experiences (GPCE)*, pages 29–38, 2014. **Best paper.**
16. Martin Erwig, Eric Walkingshaw, and Sheng Chen. An Abstract Representation of Variational Graphs. In *Int. Work. on Feature-Oriented Software Development (FOSD)*, pages 25–32, 2013.
17. Martin Erwig, Klaus Ostermann, Tillmann Rendel, and Eric Walkingshaw. Adding Configuration to the Choice Calculus. In *Int. Work. on Variability Modelling of Software-Intensive Systems (VaMoS)*, pages 13:1–13:8, 2013.
18. Eric Walkingshaw and Martin Erwig. A Calculus for Modeling and Implementing Variation. In *ACM SIGPLAN Int. Conf. on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE)*, pages 132–140, 2012.
19. Sheng Chen, Martin Erwig, and Eric Walkingshaw. An Error-Tolerant Type System for Variational Lambda Calculus. In *ACM SIGPLAN Int. Conf. on Functional Programming (ICFP)*, pages 29–40, 2012.
20. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Semantics First! Rethinking the Language Design Process. In *Int. Conf. on Software Language Engineering (SLE)*, volume 6940 of *LNCS*, pages 243–262, 2011.
21. Duc Le, Eric Walkingshaw, and Martin Erwig. #ifdef Confirmed Harmful: Promoting Understandable Software Variation. In *IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 143–150, 2011.
22. Eric Walkingshaw and Martin Erwig. A DSEL for Studying and Explaining Causation. In *IFIP Working Conf. on Domain-Specific Languages (DSL)*, pages 143–167, 2011.
23. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Program Fields for Continuous Software. In *ACM SIGSOFT Workshop on the Future of Software Engineering Research*, pages 105–108, 2010.
24. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Causal Reasoning with Neuron Diagrams. In *IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 101–108, 2010.
25. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. Visual Explanations of Probabilistic Reasoning. In *IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 23–27, 2009.

26. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. A DSL for Explaining Probabilistic Reasoning. In *IFIP Working Conf. on Domain-Specific Languages (DSL)*, volume 5658 of *LNCS*, pages 335–359, 2009. **Best paper.**
27. Eric Walkingshaw and Martin Erwig. Varying Domain Representations in Hagl – Extending the Expressiveness of a DSL for Experimental Game Theory. In *IFIP Working Conf. on Domain-Specific Languages (DSL)*, volume 5658 of *LNCS*, pages 310–334, 2009.
28. Eric Walkingshaw, Paul Strauss, Martin Erwig, Jonathan Mueller, and Irem Tumer. A Formal Representation of Software-Hardware System Design. In *ASME Int. Design Engineering Technical Conf. & Computers and Information in Engineering Conf. (IDETC/CIE)*, pages 1387–1398, 2009.
29. Martin Erwig and Eric Walkingshaw. A Visual Language for Representing and Explaining Strategies in Game Theory. In *IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 101–108, 2008.

#### Doctoral Consortia

30. Eric Walkingshaw. Managing Variation in Explanation-Oriented Languages. In *Doctoral Consortium at IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 247–248, 2010.
31. Eric Walkingshaw. Designing Explanation-Oriented Languages. In *Doctoral Consortium at IEEE Int. Symp. on Visual Languages and Human-Centric Computing (VL/HCC)*, pages 274–275, 2008.

#### Theses and Other Papers

32. Eric Walkingshaw. *The Choice Calculus: A Formal Language of Variation*. PhD thesis, Oregon State University, 2013. <http://hdl.handle.net/1957/40652>.
33. Eric Walkingshaw. Domain-Specific Language Support for Experimental Game Theory. Master's thesis, Oregon State University, 2011. <http://hdl.handle.net/1957/26757>.
34. Eric Walkingshaw. Features and Feature Models: A Survey of Variation Representations. In *Compendium of Computer Science Doctoral Qualifying Exams*. Oregon State University, 2010. <http://hdl.handle.net/1957/19243>.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### Conference and Workshop Organization

Organizer and Program Chair, FOSD 2017  
Program Co-Chair, DSLDI 2017  
Graduate Consortium Chair, VL/HCC 2017  
Web and Publicity Co-Chair, SPLASH 2017  
Organizer and Program Co-Chair, DSLDI 2016  
Showpieces Co-Chair, VL/HCC 2015

### Program Committee

GPCE (2017), SLE (2017, 2016), VL/HCC (2017, 2016, 2015), PEPM (2016), HuFaMo (2016), VaMoS (2015)

### External Reviewer

JVLC (2016), GPCE (2016, 2014, 2013), JLAMP (2014), FOSD (2014, 2012), VaMoS (2013, 2012, 2011), PPDP (2012), PEPM (2012), VL/HCC (2011, 2010), IFL (2011, 2009, 2008), PADL (2011), DSL (2009), IDETC (2009), book chapter for *Formal and Practical Aspects of Domain-Specific Languages: Recent Developments* (2012)

### Other Service

NSF Proposal Review Panel, 2017  
NSF Proposal Review Panel, 2016  
Graduate Consortium Panel, VL/HCC 2015  
Student Volunteer, VL/HCC 2009

## TEACHING AND ADVISING

### Curriculum Development

Developed a new special topics course on modularity in programming languages.  
Led restructure and expansion of graduate-level programming languages sequence.  
Developed two new discussion seminars at University of Marburg.

### Courses Taught, Oregon State University

CS 261 – Data Structures  
CS 271 – Computer Architecture and Assembly Language  
CS 381 – Programming Language Fundamentals  
CS 581 – Programming Languages I  
CS 582 – Programming Languages II  
CS 583 – Advanced Functional Programming  
CS 589 – Special Topics in Programming Languages: Modularity

## Courses Taught, University of Marburg

Discussion Seminar: Human Factors in Programming Languages  
Discussion Seminar: Modular Extensibility

## Students Graduated

Miles Van de Wetering, Honors B.S. 2017  
Thesis: "View-Based Editing of Variational Code"

Shujin Wu, M.S. 2017.  
Project: "A Template CoprHD Storage Driver Based on the Southbound SDK"

Spencer Hubbard, M.S. 2016.  
Thesis: "A Formal Foundation for Variational Programming Using the Choice Calculus"

## Graduate Committee Member

Rahul Gopinath, Ph.D. 2017  
Cole Crawford, M.A. English 2017 (GCR)  
Xiangyu Wang, M.S. 2017  
Prathamesh Patkar, M.S. 2016  
Sheng Chen, Ph.D. 2014  
Keying Xu, M.S. 2014  
20 M.Eng. exams, 2015–2017

## Master's Student Work Project Advisor, University of Marburg

Jonathan Brachthäuser, 2013–2014  
Christoph Weygand, 2013–2014

## Co-Mentor, Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering

David Wen, Summer 2012  
Miles Van de Wetering, Summer 2011  
Ben McMorran, Summer 2010

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Activist Council and Organizing Committee, United Academics of OSU, 2016–present  
Computer Science Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2014–2015, 2016–2017  
Computer Science Graduate Curriculum Committee, 2015–2016