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## Education

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.** **Sept. 1982–Dec. 1988**  
Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science, received in June 1989. Thesis title: *Verifying Object-Oriented Programs that use Subtypes*. Thesis supervisor: Professor William E. Weihl. Minor in mathematics.

**University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif.** **Sept. 1979–June 1980**  
Master of Science in Computer Science, received in June, 1980.

**The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.** **Sept. 1975–April 1979**  
Bachelor of Science, with High Distinction and Honors in Computer and Communication Sciences, received in December, 1978. Spent the Spring term, 1979 in the graduate school.

## Teaching Employment

**University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL** **August 2007 – present**  
Professor (August 2007 – present).  
Undergraduate coordinator for UCF’s B.S. in Data Science (August 2022 – August 2024).  
Chair, Dept. of Computer Science (October 2015 – June 2021).  
Chair, Dept. of EECS’s Computer Science Division (October 2011 – October 2015).  
Interim Chair, Dept. of EECS, and interim chair, Computer Science Division (September 2010 – October 2011).  
Associate Chair, Dept. of EECS (August 2008 – September 2010).  
Teaching seminars, and undergraduate and graduate courses in programming languages. Also taught an undergraduate course in cyber security and the “Frontiers of IT” course.

**Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa** **January 1989 – August 2007**  
Professor of Computer Science (2000 – 2007).  
Associate professor of Computer Science (1995 – 2000).  
Assistant professor (1989 – 1995).  
Teaching seminars, and graduate and undergraduate courses in programming languages and semantics. Developed and taught a new undergraduate course “Object-Oriented Analysis and Design” (2002–2003). Developed and taught an undergraduate course “Introduction to Computer Programming,” which taught freshmen programming using Scheme (1992–1993).

**University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa** **August 2000 – May 2001**  
Visiting Professor. Taught an undergraduate course in programming languages and a graduate course in formal methods.

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.** **1982 – 1986**  
Teaching assistant for graduate courses in programming languages, undergraduate courses in software engineering and compiler construction.

## Teaching Interests

Specification languages (design, semantics), formal methods, programming languages (semantics, design, overview of programming and computation models, principles), aspect-oriented programming, object-oriented programming, software assurance for cyber security, logic programming, functional programming, introductory programming, data structures, software engineering, compiler construction, distributed programming, distributed systems, formal logic, discrete mathematics, research methods and writing.

## Other Employment

*Member of Technical Staff*, from May 1979 to August 1982 at Bell Telephone Laboratories, 11900 Pecos, Denver, Colorado 80234. Development and maintenance of a large software management system.

*Programmer-Coder*, from May to September 1978, at Cutler-Hammer, Inc., 9475 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48480. Design of real-time control and monitoring software, code conversion.

## Research Employment

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass

Sept. 1982–Dec. 1988

Research Assistant in the Programming Methodology Group under the supervision of Professor Barbara Liskov. Active in the design of the Argus distributed programming language and system, especially in the design of the Argus library and features for extending the utility of polymorphism. Coauthor and editor of the *Argus Reference Manual*. Design and implementation of parts of the Argus run-time system. Testing of the Argus implementation by building small distributed systems.

## Research Interests

Programming and specification language design and semantics, formal methods (program specification and verification), aspect-oriented languages, object-oriented languages, software security, information assurance, distributed languages, type theory, programming methodology, software engineering, computer science education.

## Refereed Journal Publications

### Submitted Research Papers

Amirfarhad Nilizadeh and Gary T. Leavens. Toward Using Fuzzers and Lightweight Specifications to Reveal Semantic Bugs. Submitted to *Journal of Object Technology*.

Amirfarhad Nilizadeh, Gary T. Leavens, Corina S. Păsăreanu, and Yannic Noller. JMLKelinci+: Detect Semantic Bugs and Cover Branches with Valid Inputs using Coverage-Guided Fuzzing and Runtime Assertion Checking. Under revision for *Formal Aspects of Computing*. 19 pages.

### Published Research Papers

Samantha Syeda Khairunnesa, Shibbir Ahmed, Sayem Mohammad Imtiaz, Hridesh Rajan, and Gary T. Leavens. What kinds of contracts do ML APIs need? *Empirical Software Engineering*, **28**(6):142–179, Oct. 2023, Springer. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10664-023-10320-z>

Amirfarhad Nilizadeh, Shirin Nilizadeh, Wojciech Mazurczyk, Cliff Zou, and Gary T. Leavens. Adaptive Matrix Pattern Steganography on RGB Images. *Journal of Cyber Security and Mobility*, **11**(1):1–28, 2022, Elsevier. <https://dx.doi.org/10.13052/jcsm2245-1439.1111>

Yuyan Bao, Gary T. Leavens, and Gidon Ernst. UFRL: Unifying Separation Logic and Region Logic to allow Interoperability. *Formal Aspects of Computing*, **30**:34, pp. 381–441, August 2018. <https://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s00165-018-0455-5>

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Peter W. V. Tran-Jørgensen, Peter Gorm Larsen, and Gary T. Leavens. Automated translation of VDM to JML-annotated Java. *International Journal on Software Tools for Technology Transfer*, **20**(2):211–235, 2018. 25 pages. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10009-017-0448-3>

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John Hatcliff, Gary T. Leavens, K. Rustan M. Leino, Peter Müller, and Matthew Parkinson. Behavioral Interface Specification Languages. *ACM Computing Surveys*, **44**(3):16:1–16:58, Jun., 2012. <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2187671.2187678>

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Gary T. Leavens, K. Rustan M. Leino, and Peter Müller. Specification and verification challenges for sequential object-oriented programs. *Formal Aspects of Computing*, **19**(2):159–189, June 2007. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s00165-007-0026-7>

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### Refereed Conference Publications

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I-SENSE, Florida Atlantic University, October 12, 2017.

Gary T. Leavens. “Overview and History of JML”  
JML: Advancing Specification Language Methodologies Workshop, Lorentz Center, Leiden, the Netherlands, March 23, 2015.

Gary T. Leavens and John L. Singleton. “A Bipartite Graph Model of Information Flow”  
IFIP Working Group 2.3, Winter Park, Florida, May 23, 2014.

Gary T. Leavens and Yuyan Bao. “Combining Dynamic Frames, Region Logic, and Separation Logic in DafnyR”  
IFIP Working Group 1.9/2.15, Saarbrücken, Germany, March 6, 2013.

Gary T. Leavens, “Composition and Reasoning in Ptolemy”  
Keynote at the *Workshop on Free Composition (FREECO)*, Tucson, Arizona, October 22, 2012.

Gary T. Leavens, “Ptolemy: Taming Aspects with Explicit Event Announcement and Greybox Specifications”

Keynote at *15th Brazilian Symposium on Programming Languages (SBLP 2011)*, Sao Paulo, Brazil, September 29, 2011.

Gary T. Leavens, “JML’s Rich Inherited Specifications for Behavioral Subtypes.”

Oakland University, Troy Michigan, November 10, 2014.

Radboud University Nijmegen, July 3, 2009.

Keynote at the *International Conference on Formal Engineering Methods (ICFEM)*, Macao, China, November 2, 2006

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, September 28, 2006.

Gary T. Leavens, “Preventing Cross-Type Aliasing to Promote Weak Behavioral Subtyping”

IFIP Working Group 2.3, Cambridge, Mass., USA, June 12, 2009.

Gary T. Leavens, “JML: Expressive Modular Reasoning for Java”

Invited Keynote at the JML “Spec-a-thon”, University of Washington, Tacoma, May 26, 2009.

University of Central Florida, April 14, 2007.

The College of William & Mary, April 2, 2007.

Kansas State University, March 29, 2007.

Stanford University, March 5, 2007.

Clemson University, March 2, 2007.

Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Curtis C. Clifton, James Noble, Hridesh Rajan), “Introduction to Aspect-Oriented Programming and its Reasoning Problems”

University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL, February 26, 2009.

IFIP Working Group 2.3, Cambridge, UK, July 21, 2008.

Gary T. Leavens, “Support for Supertype Abstraction in JML”

*High Confidence Software and Systems (HCSS)* Conference, March 6, 2008.

Gary T. Leavens, “The State of State in JML”

Types, Logics and Semantics for State, Dagstuhl workshop, Germany, February 4, 2008.

Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Steve M. Shaner and David A. Naumann), “Modular Verification of Higher-Order Methods in JML”

Types, Logics and Semantics for State, Dagstuhl workshop, Germany, February 7, 2008.

Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands, July 6, 2007.

Kansas State University, March 30, 2007.

IFIP Working Group 2.3, Sydney, Australia, January 12, 2007.

Gary T. Leavens, “Discussion of Steimann’s Essay ‘The Paradoxical Success of Aspect-Oriented Programming’.”

*OOPSLA*, Portland Oregon, October 26, 2006.

Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Curtis Clifton and James Noble), “Efficient Reasoning in AspectJ-like Languages using Concern Domains.”



Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands, July 5, 2007.  
 Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, September 29, 2006.  
 Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Recife, Brazil, June 14, 2006.  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana-Champaign, May 31, 2006.  
 Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Peter Müller), “Information Hiding and Visibility in Interface Specifications”  
 Kansas State University, May 7, 2007.  
 Gary T. Leavens, “A Research Roadmap for Enhanced Languages and Methods.”  
 The Challenge of Software Verification, Dagstuhl workshop, Germany, June 13, 2006.  
 Mini Workshop on Verified Software, SRI International, April 1, 2006.  
 IFIP Working Group 2.3, Brugges, Belgium, March 17, 2006.  
 Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Edwin Rodríguez, Matthew Dwyer, Cormac Flanagan, John Hatcliff, and Robby), “Extending JML for Modular Specification and Verification of Multi-Threaded Programs.”  
 Michigan State University, East Lansing, February 2, 2006.  
 Imperial College, London, September 23, 2005.  
 FATS Seminar, ETH Zürich, Switzerland, June 15, 2005.  
 Gary T. Leavens, “JML and its Unit Testing Tool.”  
 ETH Zürich, June 29, 2006 (for Peter Müller’s class).  
 Michigan State University, East Lansing, February 3, 2006.  
 Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John’s, Newfoundland, Canada, August 9, 2005.  
 University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, April 8, 2005.  
 University of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama, April 7, 2005.  
 University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 30, 2005.  
 University of Nebraska, Lincoln, November 23, 2004.  
 University of Texas, El Paso, April 14, 2004.  
 ETH Zürich, March 18, 2004.  
 Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with Peter Müller and Arnd Poetzsch-Heffter), “Why Specification Languages Need Ownership Types.”  
 Dagstuhl workshop *Types for Tools: Applications of Type Theoretic Techniques*, Dagstuhl, Germany, June 20, 2005.  
 Gary T. Leavens and Peter Müller, “Privacy in JML Specifications.”  
 Tuesday afternoon formal methods club, ETH Zürich, Switzerland, June 14, 2005.  
 Gary T. Leavens (based on joint work with David Cok), “Adapting Observational Purity to JML.”  
 IFIP WG 2.3, Niagara Falls, Canada, June 9, 2005.  
 Gary T. Leavens, “Alias-free Formal Parameters.”  
 University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 30, 2005.

IFIP WG 2.3, Prato, Italy, September 7, 2004.

Gary T. Leavens, “Advances and Issues in JML.”

IFIP WG 2.3, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 9, 2004.

Microsoft Research, Redmond, Washington, November 21, 2003.

First International Symposium on Formal Methods for Components and Objects, Leiden, The Netherlands, November 13, 2002.

Java Verification Workshop 2002, Portland Oregon, January 12, 2002. Yoonsik Cheon and Gary T. Leavens, “A Simple and Practical Approach to Unit Testing: The JML and JUnit Way.”

Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, February 2, 2004.

Microsoft Research, Redmond, Washington, November 20, 2003.

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, November 28, 2002.

Virginia Tech, October 18, 2002.

Clemson University, May 31, 2002.

ABC Virtual, Des Moines, February 5, 2002.

Java Verification Workshop 2002, Portland Oregon, January 13, 2002.

Gary T. Leavens, “A Java Modeling Language and also Specification Inheritance.”

Department of Computer Science, Purdue University, West Lafayette, February 26, 2002.

Department of Computer Science, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, November 17, 2000.

Department of Computer Science, University of Iowa, September 5, 2000.

Department of Computer and Information Science, The Ohio State University, March 26, 2000.

Department of Computer and Information Science, Kansas State University, November 2, 1999.

Gary T. Leavens, “Calling All Arguments: Adding Multiple Dispatch to Object-Oriented Languages.”

Vrije Universiteit Brussels, November 29, 2002.

Department of Computer and Information Science, The Ohio State University, March 25, 2000.

Distinguished lecture series, Department of Computer and Information Science, Kansas State University, November 1, 1999.

Gary T. Leavens, Albert L. Baker, and Clyde Ruby. “JML: a Java Modeling Language.”

Formal Underpinnings of Java Workshop (at *OOPSLA '98*), October 18, 1998.

Gary T. Leavens, “Applying Larch/C++ to the STL.”

Workshop on Generic Programming, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany, April 30, 1998.

Gary T. Leavens, “Java as a Programming Language.”

Association for Systems Management, Des Moines, Iowa, April 13, 1998.

Gary T. Leavens, “Forcing Behavioral Subtyping by Specification Inheritance in Larch/C++.”

Rockwell International, Cedar-Rapids, Iowa, May 19, 1997.

Department of Computer Science, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, November 21, 1995.

Department of Computer Science, Concordia University, Montréal, Québec, October 23, 1995.

- Computer and Information Science, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, January 31, 1995.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Information Hiding and Modularity in an Object-Oriented Language with Multimethods.”  
Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, November 21, 1996.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Advanced Programming Languages for Engineering Computation.”  
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, Nov. 28, 1995.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Larch/C++: An Interface Specification Language for C++.”  
INRS-Telecommunications (Univ. of Québec and Bell Northern Research), Montréal, Canada, December 15, 1994.  
Technical University of Munich, Munich, Germany, July 14, 1994.  
Imperial College, London, England, July 13, 1994.  
British Telecom, Ipswich, England, July 12, 1994.  
Mathematical Center (CWI), Amsterdam, Holland, July 11, 1994.  
Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of Washington, January 13, 1994.  
Department of Computer Science, Concordia University (Montreal, Quebec), March 8, 1993.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Modules for Multi-methods: Information Hiding and Program Composition.”  
Technical University of Munich, Munich, Germany, July 15, 1994.  
Workshop on *Foundations of Object-Oriented Programming Languages*, Paris, France, July 1-2, 1994.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Semantics for Object-Oriented Language Design, Specification, and Correctness.”  
Norand Corp., Cedar Rapids, September 12, 1995.  
IBM, Rochester, Minnesota, March 9, 1994.
- Gary T. Leavens, “A Model Theory for Subtyping in Imperative OOPs, Part I.”  
Workshop on *Foundations of Object-Oriented Languages*, Stanford University, October 17-18, 1993.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Reasoning about Object-Oriented Programs that use Subtypes.”  
Kansas State University, Department of Computing and Information Sciences, September 24, 1991.  
UNISYS, September 18, 1990.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Formal Reasoning about Object-Oriented Programs.”  
Keynote talk at the workshop *Reliability Issues in Object-Oriented Programming*, University of Iowa, Department of Computer Science Iowa City, Iowa, July 31, 1990.
- Gary T. Leavens, “Behavioral Subtyping as a Reasoning Tool.”  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Laboratory for Computer Science, Cambridge, Massachusetts, May 23, 1990.

University of Pennsylvania, Department of Computer and Information Science, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 30, 1990.

Hewlett-Packard Laboratories, Software Technology Laboratory, Palo Alto, California, January 16, 1990.

Xerox Palo Alto Research Center, Computer Science Laboratory, Palo Alto, California, January 11, 1990.

Gary T. Leavens, “Behavioral Subtyping for Abstract Data Types.”

Rockwell-Collins, Cedar-Rapids, Iowa, December 11, 1989.

University of Iowa, Department of Computer Science, Iowa City, Iowa, December 5, 1989.

Carnegie Mellon University, School of Computer Science, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1989.

Gary T. Leavens, “Subtyping among Abstract Data Types.”

Indiana University, Department of Computer Science, Bloomington, Indiana, March 30, 1988.

Wayne State University, Department of Computer Science, Detroit, Michigan, March 29, 1988.

Iowa State University, Department of Computer Science, Ames, Iowa, March 24, 1988.

University of Pennsylvania, Department of Computer and Information Science, Philadelphia, Penn., March 15, 1988.

University of California, San Diego, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, San Diego, California, April 14, 1988.

Michigan State University, Department of Computer Science, East Lansing, Michigan, April 13, 1988.

#### **Committee Selected (technical colloquia)**

Gary T. Leavens and Krishna Kishore Dhara, “A Model Theory for Abstract Data Types with Mutable Objects.”

Workshop *Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics*, Manhattan, Kansas, March 21, 1994.

Krishna Kishore Dhara and Gary T. Leavens “Subtyping for mutable types in object-oriented programming languages,” talk given by Krishna Kishore Dhara.

Workshop *Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics*, Manhattan, Kansas, March 22, 1994.

Gary T. Leavens and Don Pigozzi, “A Complete Algebraic Characterization of Behavior for Incompletely Specified Types and Subtypes,” talk given by Don Pigozzi.

Workshop *Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics*, Manhattan, Kansas, March 23, 1994.

### ***Colloquia about Teaching Computer Science***

#### **Invited**

Gary T. Leavens, “A Viral, Infectious Approach to Outreach in Computing Education”

*FM Outreach Meeting*, Stanford Research Institute, Palo Alto, California, June 9, 2008.

Gary T. Leavens, “Previous Proposal and Critique: The CC 2001 PL Unit”

*ACM SIGPLAN Programming Languages Curriculum Workshop*, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., May 29, 2008.

Gary T. Leavens, “Programming Languages Knowledge Focus Group”

*Iowa Undergraduate Computer Science Consortium* Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, November 4, 2000.

Gary T. Leavens and Albert L. Baker, “More Science in the Introduction to Computer Science” (Baker gave the second half of the talk).

*Iowa Undergraduate Computer Science Consortium* (Organizational Meeting), Grinnell, Iowa, March 26, 1994

## **Other Colloquia**

### **Invited**

Gary T. Leavens, “Making a Positive Impact.”

OOPSLA Doctoral Symposium, Nashville, Tennessee, October 20, 2008

Gary T. Leavens, “Lessons and Stories from My Career.”

ECOOP Doctoral Symposium, Nantes, France, July 5, 2006.

## **Software Artifacts and Unpublished Documentation**

Spekl is a tool for distributing specification and verification tools and for developing layered specifications. It has been developed with my student John Singleton. More information is available on the web from the URL <http://spekl-project.org>.

JML is a behavioral interface specification language for Java modules. It was originally developed with Al Baker and my student Clyde Ruby, and further development has been done with many students (notably Yoonsik Cheon and Curtis Clifton) and host of international collaborators. More information is available on the web from the URL <http://multijava.sourceforge.net>.

MultiJava is an extension to the Java programming language which adds support for open classes and symmetric multiple dispatch. It is primarily developed by my student Curtis Clifton in collaboration with Craig Chambers of the University of Washington and his (former) student Todd Millstein (now at UCLA). More information is available on the web from the URL <http://www.multijava.org>.

Larch/C++ is a behavioral interface specification language for C++ modules. It is available from the URL <ftp://ftp.cs.iastate.edu/pub/larchc++/>. The Larch/C++ reference manual is available from the following URL <http://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/larchc++.html>.

In support of Larch, I have written *Larch Frequently Asked Questions*, which was posted monthly to the usenet news groups [comp.specification.larch](mailto:comp.specification.larch), [comp.answers](mailto:comp.answers), and [news.answers](mailto:news.answers). It is now available from the URL <http://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/larch-faq.html>.

## **Funding History**

### **Submitted Research Proposals**

Zhisheng Shuai, Laura Yang, Gary T. Leavens, Liqiang Ni, and Melissa Dagley. DSC: Broadening the Central Florida Data Science Community with Flexible Education Pathways. \$1,200,000 for teacher and student training, etc.

### **Funded Research Grants**

Melissa Dagley and Gary T. Leavens. ECSPAND: Expanding Computer Science Pathway Accessibility for Inclusivity and Diversity Northeastern University Center for Inclusive Computing. \$262,500 for broadening participation in computing. August 24, 2020 to August 24, 2022.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with David A. Naumann). TWC: Medium: Collaborative: Flexible and Practical Information Flow Assurance for Mobile Apps. National Science Foundation. \$325,690 for graduate students, summer support, travel. REU supplement of \$8,000 for undergraduate research, summer 2015. August 1, 2012 to July 31, 2015, with a no-cost extension through July 31, 2017.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with Hridesh Rajan). SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Balancing Expressiveness and Modular Reasoning for Aspect-Oriented Programming. National Science Foundation. \$159,148 for graduate students, summer support, travel from August 15, 2010 to July 31, 2012, with no-cost extension through September 30, 2015.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with Jan Vitek). SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Specification and Verification of Safety Critical Java. National Science Foundation, \$249,981 from July 15, 2009 to June 30, 2012, with no-cost extensions through September 30, 2015.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with David A. Naumann). SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Specification Language Foundations for Modular Reasoning Methodologies. National Science Foundation, \$249,981 from August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2012, with no-cost extensions through September 30, 2015.

Gary T. Leavens. REU Supplement for CRI:CRD: Collaborative Research: A JML Community Infrastructure – Revitalizing Tools and Documentation to Aid Formal Methods Research. National Science Foundation, \$16,000 for undergraduate research from June 1, 2009 to August 14, 2010.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with Jan Vitek). SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Specification and Verification of Safety Critical Java. National Science Foundation, \$249,981 from August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2011, with no-cost extensions through June 30, 2014.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with David A. Naumann). SHF: Small: Collaborative Research: Specification Language Foundations for Modular Reasoning Methodologies. National Science Foundation, \$249,981 from August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2012.

Gary T. Leavens (PI), Samik Basu, and Hridesh Rajan. (with Yoonsik Cheon, Curtis Clifton, Cormac Flanagan, David Naumann, and Robby). CRI:CRD: Collaborative Research: A JML Community Infrastructure – Revitalizing Tools and Documentation to Aid Formal Methods Research. National Science Foundation, \$275,000 (of which \$235,809 is subcontracts to Iowa State) from August 15, 2007 to August 14, 2010.

Gary T. Leavens (PI, with David A. Naumann). Collaborative Research: Formal Methods for Behavioral Subclassing and Callbacks. National Science Foundation, \$119,999 from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2006, with a no-cost extension to August 31, 2007.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). More Modular Reasoning for Aspect-Oriented Programs. National Science Foundation, \$54,999 from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2005, with a no-cost extension to August 31, 2006.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). ITR/SY: Modular Interface Violation Checking Using Formally-Specified Contracts. Subcontract on a proposal by Murali Sitaraman of Clemson University, and Stephen Edwards of Virginia Tech. National Science Foundation, \$109,383 for salary, research assistants, and travel, and \$6,250 for undergraduate research assistants, August 16, 2001 to August 15, 2004; Extension and \$10,000 for undergraduate research assistants, June 1, 2005 to May 31, 2007.

Gary T. Leavens (PI) and Don L. Pigozzi. Formal Methods for Extensible Object-Oriented Software. National Science Foundation, \$200,000 for salary, research assistants, and travel. June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2003.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). Simultaneous Round-Trip Engineering for UML and Java/EJB. ETRI Computer & Software Technology Labs (Korea), \$70,000 for salary, research assistants, and travel. June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2002.

Gary T. Leavens (PI) and Don L. Pigozzi and Albert L. Baker. Formal Methods for Multimethod

Software Components. National Science Foundation, \$210,000 for salary, equipment, and research assistants. June 1, 1998–May 30, 2000.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). Practical and Effective Interface Specifications. Rockwell International Corporation, \$40,000 for research assistants. Jan 1, 1998–September 30, 1998.

Gary T. Leavens (PI) and Don L. Pigozzi. A Theoretical and Practical Basis for Applying Formal Methods to Object-Oriented Programming and C++. National Science Foundation, \$239,998 for salary, equipment, and research assistants, July 15, 1995–June 1, 1998.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). Formal Specification for C++ Programs. National Science Foundation Research Initiation Award. \$55,282 for salary, equipment, and research assistants, July 15, 1991–December 1993.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). Practical Reasoning for Object-Oriented Programs. Iowa State University Research Grant. \$3,795 for equipment, May 1990–May 1991.

Gary T. Leavens (PI). Using Subtypes to Specify Object-Oriented Programs. Iowa State University Research Grant. \$1,342 for travel, May 1989–May 1990.

## Research Summary

The long term goal of my research is to better understand how to solve programming problems: how to specify such problems, methods for thinking about such problems, notations for expressing solutions, and ways to check that the solutions are correct. In pursuing this goal, I have worked in two main areas: formal methods and programming languages.

### Formal Methods

My work in formal methods has been focused on ways to specify and verify object-oriented (OO) software components. The specification work involves the design and formal description of behavioral interface specification languages (BISLs). BISLs record information about detailed design: the interfaces and functional behavior of program modules. My group has designed a BISL for Smalltalk, called Larch/Smalltalk, a BISL for C++, called Larch/C++, and a BISL for Java called JML. Current work focuses on JML, and is being done with a large and growing international team of collaborators. Work on JML focuses on the problem of how to make it expressive enough for documenting existing code; we measure this using both theoretical analysis and case studies. We have made some progress; for example, work with Clyde Ruby reported at *OOPSLA 2000* and in his dissertation aims to explain modular subclass verification: how to specify enough about superclasses so that subclasses can be verified without seeing the superclass's code. There have also been papers (with Peter Müller and Arnd Poetzsch-Heffter) that uses ownership to solve modularity problems in the specification and verification of layered systems. JML has also fostered much interesting work by other researchers. However, there are several important features that need more work, such as concurrency and performance constraints. Our current work on JML funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) tries to address some of these issues, as well as issues of practicality. Early work on JML was done jointly with (former ISU professor) Al Baker, and former Ph.D. student Clyde Ruby. Former Ph.D. student Yoonsik Cheon, designed Larch/Smalltalk, helped in the design of Larch/C++, tools for JML, and is also contributing to the design of JML as an associate professor at Univ. of Texas, El Paso. Several of my other students have also helped with the JML project. I have also worked with Baker and a former Ph.D. student, Tim Wahls, on executing such specifications.

A long term interest in formal methods for OO software components is behavioral subtyping. The message passing mechanism of OO languages, such as C++ and Java, allows one to easily extend programs by adding new types. This works best if objects of the new types behave like the objects of the old types; the old types are *supertypes* of the new types, which are called *subtypes*. How should one reason about programs that use subtyping and message passing? We seek a reasoning method, formalized by specification and verification techniques, that is *modular* in the sense that when subtypes are added to a program, unchanged modules do not have to be respecified or reverified.

The idea of *behavioral subtyping*, which I helped develop, supports a programming discipline, *supertype abstraction*, that solves this problem. To use supertype abstraction, one specifies and verifies code in terms of the static types of expressions written in a program (as usual), uses a type checker to ensure that the static types are supertypes of the run-time types, and then must prove that subtypes obey the specifications of their supertypes. Behavioral subtyping makes this technique sound. Krishna Kishore Dhara, a former Ph.D. student, has extended the formal theory of behavioral subtyping to types whose instances have time-varying state in a way that takes into account the possibility of cross-type aliases. Professor Don Pigozzi (now retired from the Mathematics Department at ISU) and I have found an exact algebraic characterization of behavioral subtyping for immutable types. We have also been working on effective techniques for proving behavioral subtyping. Recent work with Professor David Naumann (of Stevens Institute of Technology) on behavioral subtyping has precisely characterized modular reasoning (supertype abstraction) for Java-like languages with mutation, and formally justifies its soundness. The work with Dhara, Pigozzi, and Naumann on the above topics was funded by various grants from the NSF.

The potential impact of the work in formal methods is possibly great; it might lead to the engineering of software, instead of hacking. It also seems necessary for high quality software components and reuse. But more realistically, I view my research as trying to formally understand what one needs to think about when documenting and reasoning about a program or program component. This can be of great value for teaching and for the construction of tools, even if people do not use the formalism directly or on a daily basis.

### **Programming Language Design and Semantics**

The other main aspect of my work has been on the design and semantics of programming languages. This falls in two areas: object-oriented languages with generic functions and aspect-oriented languages.

Languages with generic functions are also known as *multimethod* programming languages, because method calls can dispatch a message send on all arguments, unlike a *single-dispatching* OO language, such as Smalltalk, C++, or Java. Multimethod languages are interesting because they can more easily express solutions to certain problems in OO programming (binary methods). My work on multimethod languages is joint with former Ph. D. student Curtis Clifton (now an associate professor at Rose-Hulman) and has been done in collaboration with Craig Chambers of the University of Washington and his former student Todd D. Millstein (now a professor at UCLA). (My students Jianbing Chen and Sevtap Karakoy also have contributed to this work.) The work focuses on the semantics and type systems for variants of the Cecil and Java languages. To date we have published papers about an algorithm for type checking such languages with very expressive features (orthogonal inheritance and subtyping), about how to add multimethods to existing languages, and a way to add multimethods to Java. The latter has been developed into the language MultiJava and is featured in an *ACM TOPLAS* article.

One big problem I worked on (with Craig Chambers) was how to get a language with both a (sound) static type system and a sensible module system. This problem was solved by Millstein and Chambers (as reported in *ECOOP '99*). We have applied their ideas to the design of an extension to the Java programming language called MultiJava. The ideas also seem applicable to the design of OO languages that are more flexible.

A second interest in programming languages has been in aspect-oriented (AO) languages. As typified by AspectJ, AO languages offer advanced features for modularizing cross-cutting concerns, such as advice and intertype declarations (like MultiJava's "open classes"). As part of a long term effort to better understand AO languages, my former Ph.D. student Curtis Clifton and I have been working on reasoning (e.g., about correctness) in AO languages. This work has been backed by a study of the operational semantics and type systems of AO languages. Curtis developed a simple and easily understood operational semantics for an AspectJ-like language, with a sound type system. This work also involved an effect system (concern domains) that makes it possible to more efficiently and effectively reason about AO programs. Recent results towards this end (with James Noble) appear in *ECOOP 2007*.

More recently, Hridesh Rajan and I have been working on a programming language that is less expressive



than AspectJ-like languages, but which has advantages for modular reasoning. This language, Ptolemy, is a hybrid of an implicit-invocation language and an aspect-oriented language. It has promise both as a low-level language for virtual machines and for supporting easier static reasoning.

The potential impact of these research directions might be large if this leads to more flexible, modular, and reusable coding practices. An NSF grant funded Curtis Clifton’s research on AO languages.

## **Students**

### **Ph.D. Students at the University of Central Florida**

Arthur Amorim, Spring 2023–present.

Mana Mostaani, Fall 2022–Fall 2024, did not finish.

Parisa Darbari Kozekanan, “Quantum Graph Parameters,” Fall 2021–Summer 2022.

Amirfarhad Nilizadeh, “Test Overfitting in Automated Program Repair: Measurements and Approaches Using Formal Methods,” Fall 2015–Fall 2021.

John Singleton, “Advancing Practical Specification Techniques for Modern Software Systems,” Fall 2014–Spring 2018.

Toby Tobkin, Fall 2013–summer 2015 (quit, didn’t finish).

Jose Sanchez, “Reasoning Tradeoffs In Implicit Invocation And Aspect Oriented Languages,” August 2011–Spring 2015.

Yuyan Bao, “Reasoning about Frame Properties in Object-Oriented Programs,” August 2010–Fall 2017.

Alexandre Bassel, “Deriving JML Specifications for the JDK from Javadoc Comments,” January 2009–Summer 2013 (quit, didn’t finish).

Rochelle Elva (joint with David Workman until Spring 2010, but no longer joint), “Detecting Semantic Method Clones in Java Code Using Method IOE-behavior,” Fall 2009–Summer 2013.

Faraz Hussain (joint with Sumit Jha since Spring 2012), “Techniques for Automated Parameter Estimation in Computational Models of Probabilistic Systems,” Summer 2008–Spring 2016.

Ghaith Haddad, “Specication and Runtime Checking of Timing Constraints in Safety Critical Java,” Fall 2007–Fall 2012.

### **Ph.D. Students at Iowa State University**

Steve Shaner, Summer 2007–Fall 2010 (quit, didn’t finish).

Curtis Clifton, “A design discipline and language features for modular reasoning in aspect-oriented programs,” Spring 2002–July 2005, complete.

Steven Jenkins, “Automating Systems Configuration Management,” Summer 1995–; quit, didn’t finish.

Clyde Ruby, “Modular subclass verification: safely creating correct subclasses without superclass code,” Spring 1995–Fall 2006, complete.

Yoonsik Cheon, “A Runtime Assertion Checker for the Java Modeling Language,” Summer 1991–April 2003, complete.

Krishna Kishore Dhara, “Behavioral Subtyping in Object-Oriented Programming Languages,” Fall 1992–May 1997, complete.

Timothy Wahls (joint with Albert Baker), “On the Execution of High Level Formal Specifications,” Fall 1992–Spring 1995, complete.

### **M.S. Students at the University of Central Florida**

Kohei Koja, “Translations to support loop invariant generation in JML,” Spring 2021–Summer 2022.

Manasa Kashyap Harinath, “Implementation of the Evidently Policy Language,” Fall 2016–Summer 2018.

Sai Chandesh Gurramkondha, “Implementation of Refining Statements in Openjml and Verification of Higher Order Methods with Model Program Specifications,” Fall 2016–June 2017.

Tushar Deshpande, “Tryopenjml—a Verily Based Web Application for Learning about the Java Modeling Language,” Summer 2015–Summer 2016.

Arjun Donthala, “Design of a Jmldoclet for Jmldoc in Openjml,” Spring 2015–Summer 2016.

Cheng Wei, Spring 2011–Spring 2013.

### **M.S. Students at Iowa State University**

Faraz Hussain, “Enhancing a Behavioral Interface Specification Language with Temporal Logic Features,” Fall 2006–April 2009.

Neeraj Khanolkar, “Formal Specification, Refinement, and Implementation of a Framelet Architecture,” Fall 2005–May 2009 (co-major with Soma Chaudhuri), changed topics in May 2009

Kristina Boysen Taylor, “A Specification Language Design for the Java Modeling Language (JML) Using Java 5 Annotations,” Summer 2005–May 2008.

Jason Jones, Spring 2005–present (co-major with Masha Sosonkina).

Steve Shaner, “Modular verification of higher-order methods with mandatory calls specified by model programs,” January 2005–December 2008.

Cui Ye, “Improving JML’s assignable clause analysis” January 2005–July 2006, complete.

Kun Liang (co-major with Simanta Mitra), “Topics in Verification,” Fall 2004–present, inactive.

Brian Dorn, “Design and implementation of a reusable type inference engine and its application to Scheme,” Summer 2004–May 2005, complete.

Douglas Fuller (co-major with Ricky Kendall), “Translation techniques for distributed-shared memory programming models” Fall 2003–July 2005, complete.

Tongjie Chen, “Extending MultiJava with Generics,” Spring 2002–Fall 2004, complete.

Jeremiah Patterson, “An object-oriented event calculus,” Fall 1999–Summer 2002, complete.

Medhat Assaad, “Alias-free parameters in C using multibodies,” Spring 2000–Summer 2001, complete.

Arun Raghavan, “Design of a JML documentation generator,” Spring 2000–Summer 2000, complete.

Abhay Bhorkar, “Run-Time Assertion Checker for JML,” Spring 1998–Spring 2000, complete.

Curtis Clifton, “MultiJava: Design, implementation, and evaluation of a Java-compatible language supporting modular open classes and symmetric multiple dispatch,” Spring 1998–Fall 2001, complete.

Anand Ganapathy, “Design and Implementation of a JML Type Checker,” Summer 1998–Spring 1999, complete.

Jianbing Chen, “Dynamic Semantics and Type-checking of Tuple,” Summer 1998–Fall 1998, complete.

Olga Antropova, “ACL Programming Language: Eliminating Parameter Aliasing with Dynamic Dispatch,” September 1997–Summer 1998, complete

Sevtap Karakoy, “Evaluating the Expressiveness of a Multi-Method Programming Language,” September 1997–Summer 1998, complete.

Hua Zhong, “LSL Traits for Using Z with Larch,” January 1997–December 1997, complete.

Matthew Markland, “Design and Implementation of the Larch/C++ Type System,” Fall 1995–August 1997, complete.

Robert J. Lavey, “Tanager: A case study of iterative development in object-oriented analysis and design,” Spring 1994–April 2007, complete.

Gowri Sankar Sivaprasad, “Larch/CORBA: Specifying the Behavior of CORBA-IDL interfaces,” Fall 1993–Fall 1995, complete.

Steven Jenkins, “Polymorphic Type Checking in Scheme,” Summer 1993–Spring 1995, complete.

David Egle, “Evaluating Larch/C++ as a Specification Language: A Case Study Using the Microsoft Foundation Class Library,” Fall 1994–Summer 1995, complete.

Joseph Reynolds, “A Literate Executable, Denotational Semantics of Simple C++ Declarations,” Fall 1991–Spring 1993, complete.

Kari Lyle, “Refinement in Data Flow Diagrams,” Fall 1991–July 1992, complete.

Krishna Kishore Dhara, “Subtyping Among Mutable Types in Object-Oriented Programming Languages,” Spring 1990–Fall 1992, complete.

Timothy Wahls (joint with Professor Albert Baker), “A Formal (and Executable) Semantics for RT-SPECS,” Fall 1991–Summer 1992, complete.

Yoonsik Cheon, “Larch/Smalltalk: A Specification Language for Smalltalk,” Fall 1990–Summer 1991, complete.

Patricia O'Donnell, “Implementation of the Programming Language Prosper,” Fall 1989–Fall 1990, inactive.

### **Undergraduate Students at the University of Central Florida**

Luke Myers, John Singleton

### **B.S. Honors Students at Iowa State University**

Jeff Beach, undergraduate honors research project, Spring 1990.

## ***Professional Activities***

“Computer System Design Expert” on the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology, July 2023 – February 2025.

Scientific committee co-chair and web app co-chair for the 1st International Conference On Smart Tourism, Smart Cities And Enabling Technologies (The Smart Conference), Orlando, Florida, May 1-3, 2019. See <https://hospitality.ucf.edu/smartconference2019/>

General chair for the *26th ACM Joint European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE)*, Lake Buena Vista, Florida, November 4-9, 2018. See <http://2018.FSEconference.org/> Served on the steering committee for that conference from 2017–2021.

Program Committee chair for *MODULARITY'15*, and on the steering committee of that conference from April 2014 until April 2016.

Chair of IFIP Working Group 1.9/2.15 (Verified Software), from March 2013 to February 2016.

Editorial board member for *Transactions on Modularity and Composition* (Springer Nature), from 2016-2025.

Co-editor in chief for *Transactions on Aspect-Oriented Software Development* (SpringerVerlag), from May 2011 to March 2013.

Editorial board member for *Transactions on Aspect-Oriented Software Development* (SpringerVerlag), from November 2009-2015.

Associate Editor for *Journal of Object Technology* (online), May 2010–May 2025.

Assistant editor for *Software and Systems Modeling (SoSyM)* (published by SpringerVerlag) until May 2025.

Guest editor for *International Journal of Distributed Sensor Networks (IJDSN)* (published by Sage journals), special issue on “End-to-End IoT Security and Privacy,” from November 2017 to September 2018.

Steering committee member for the ACM conference series *Systems, Programming, Languages and Applications: Software for Humanity (SPLASH)*, from October 2011 to October 2015.

General chair for the ACM conference *Systems, Programming, Languages and Applications: Software for Humanity (SPLASH)*, October 2012. See <http://www.splashcon.org/2012/> .

Member of the ACM SIGPLAN CACM Research Highlights Nominating Committee, from January 2011 to May 2012.

Co-chair of program committee *Verified Software: Theories, Tools, Experiments (VSTTE)* in 2010.

Research program committee chair for the ACM conference *Object-Oriented Programming: Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA)* 2009.

CSE advisory board member for the department of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of South Florida (from 2019–2023).

Co-founder (1999) and co-organizer (from 1999–2025) with Sophia Drossopoulou, Susan Eisenbach, Peter Müller, Arnd Poetzsch-Heffter, Erik Poll, and others of the international workshop series *Formal Techniques for Java-Like Programs (FTfJP)*, held yearly at the *European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP)*. Program committee member in 2008, 2007, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999. <http://www.cs.kun.nl/~erikpoll/ftfjp/>

Co-founder (2002) and organizer (yearly, from 2002–2016) with Curtis Clifton, Mira Mezini, Shmuel Katz, and others of the international workshop series *Foundations of Aspect-Oriented Languages (FOAL)*, held yearly at the ACM Conference on *Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD)*, was later called *MODULARITY*. Program committee chair in 2003. Program committee member in 2007, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002. <https://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/FOAL/>

Co-founder (2001) and co-organizer (in 2001 and 2003–2011) with Jonathan Aldrich, Mike Barnett, Dimitra Giannakopoulou, Natasha Sharygina, and others of the *Specification and Verification of Component-Based Systems (SAVCBS)*, held yearly (from 2003–2011) at the ACM Conference on *Foundations of Software Engineering (FSE)*, and at *OOPSLA* in 2001. Program committee chair in 2005. Program committee member in 2005, 2004, 2003. <https://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/SAVCBS/>

ACM representative on IFIP Technical Committee 2 (acting as liaison from ACM SIGSOFT and SIGPLAN to IFIP TC2), from April 2009 to December 2011.

Co-organizer, with Steven Freund of the “What” working group of the *Programming Languages Curriculum Workshop*, June–July 2008. See the report in *ACM SIGPLAN Notices*, **43**(11):6-29, November 2008.

Organizer of the “Verified by Construction” working group of the *IFIP Working Conference on Verified Software: Theories, Tools, Experiments*, October 2005 to October 2006.

Co-editor, with Susan Eisenbach, of a special issue of the journal *Concurrency, Practice and Experience*, volume 13, number 13, 2001. This issue is devoted to papers from the *Formal Techniques for Java Programs* Workshop, at *ECOOP 2000*, Cannes, France, 2000.

Co-organizer with Murali Sitaraman and program committee member of the *Foundations of Component-Based Systems Workshop*, Zurich, Switzerland, September 26, 1997.

See <http://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/FoCBS/index.html> and the report in *ACM Software Engineering Notes*, **23**(1):38–41, January 1998.

Poster (Early Research Achievement) co-chair in organizing committee for APSEC 2023.

Member of external review committee for *OOPSLA 2015*, *OOPSLA 2014*, *AOSD 2014*, *OOPSLA 2013*, *PLDI 2013*.

Member of program committee for *APSEC 2024: Asia-Pacific Software Engineering Conference*, *ICSOFT 2024: International Conference on Software Technologies*, *APSEC 2023: Asia-Pacific Software Engineering Conference* (best reviewer award), *ICSOFT 2023: International Conference on Software Technologies*, *ICSOFT 2022: International Conference on Software Technologies*, *ISEC 2021: Innovations in Software Engineering Conference*, *International Workshop on Context-Oriented Programming and Advanced Modularity (COP)*, at *ECOOP*, in 2020, *Verified Software: Theories, Tools, Experiments (VSTTE)* in 2013, 2010, and 2008, *European Symposium on Programming (ESOP) 2013* in 2012, *Formal Methods* in 2011, 2006, *Object-Oriented Programming: Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA)* in 2010, 2009, 2008, 2006, 2004, '97, '95, '93, *European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP)* in 2009 and 2003, *Algebraic Methodology and Software Technology (AMAST)* in 2008 and 2000, *ICSE Research Demonstrations Track* in 2008, *Fundamental Approaches to Software Engineering (FASE)* in 2008, *TOOLS Europe* in 2007, *TAP International Conference: Tests And Proofs* in 2007, *Foundations of Object-Oriented Languages / Workshop on Object-Oriented Developments (FOOL/WOOD)* in 2006, *Principles of Programming Languages (POPL)* in 2006, *Aspect-Oriented Software Development (AOSD)* in 2003, *IFIP Working Group 2.1 Working Conference on Generic Programming* in 2002, *Foundations of Object-Oriented Languages Workshop (FOOL)* in 2000, *22nd International Conference on Software Engineering (ISCE)* in 2000, *Second International Conference on the Unified Modeling Language (UML'99)*, *European Software Engineering Conference and ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE '99)*, *ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on Software Reusability (SSR'99)*, *Conference on Object-Oriented Technologies and Systems (COOTS) '99*, *COOTS '98*, *International Conference on Software Reuse ICSR5 '98*, *ICSR4 '96*, *Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics, MFPS '93*, *International Workshop on Specification Techniques and Formal Methods '98*, and *Component-Based Software Development in Computational Logic Workshop '98*.

Journal referee for *Information and Software Technology* (in 2024), *Journal of Systems and Software* (in 1992 and twice in 2023), *Formal Aspects of Computing* (2022, twice in 2013, twice in 2011, twice in 2009–2008, 2007, 2000, 1996, 1993, 1991), *Computer Languages* (2022, 2021), *ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology* (in 2020, 2014, 2006, 2005, 2003, 2002, 2001, 1998, 1997), *Software and Systems Modeling* (in 2008, 2007, 2020), *Science of Computer Programming* (in 2020, 2018, 2008, 2007, 2002), *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering* (in 2018, 2011, 2005, twice in 2000, and 1999, 1998, 1996, 1991), *Journal of Functional Programming* (in 2017, 1997), *Software Tools for Technology Transfer* (2013), *ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems* (twice in 2011, 2010, 2004, twice in 2003, 2002, twice in 1994, 1987), *Journal of Object Technology* (two papers in 2010), *Communications of the ACM* (in 2009, 1983), *IET Journal* (in 2008), *Journal of the ACM* (in 2007), *Formal Aspects of Computing* (in 2007, 2000, 1996, 1993, 1991), *Transactions on Aspect-Oriented Software Development* (in 2006), *Software Practice and Experience* (in 2006, 1993, 1992, 1991), *Proceedings of the IEEE* (in 2005), *Journal of the Brazilian Computer Society* (twice in 2005), *Information and Software Technology* (2004), *Acta Informatica* (in 2003), *Automated Software Engineering* (in 2003), *Theoretical Computer Science* (in 2002, 1996), *Information and Computation* (in 2000, 1999), *Theory and Practice of Object*

*Systems* (in 1998, 1995), *IEEE Concurrency* (in 1998), *IEEE Computer* (in 1997, 1992), *Object-Oriented Systems* (in 1996, 1995, 1994), *ACM Computing Surveys* (in 1995, 1993/4), *International Journal of Microcomputer Applications* (in 1994), *Communications of the ACM* (in 1983). Conference referee for *CADE 2005*, *OOPSLA 2002*, *ECOOP '99* (in 1998), *OOPSLA '98*, *POPL '97* (in 1996), *AMAST '95* (in 1995), *AMAST II* (in 1991), and various other conferences (in the 1980s).

Chair of the *SPLASH 2010* doctoral symposium.

Reviewer/discussant for the *OOPSLA* 2008 and '96 doctoral symposia. "Expert" at the AOSD 2005 and 2003 Student Research Extravaganzas.

Member of the Workshops Committee for *SPLASH* 2011.

Proposal reviewer for the US National Science Foundation (a panel in 2018, a panel in 2016, two panels in 2015, a panel with 7 reviews in 2014, a panel with 7 reviews in 2013, a panel with 2 reviews in 2009, a panel with 7 reviews in 2007, a panel in 2006, a panel with 7 reviews in 2005, a panel with 8 reviews in 2004, once in 2003, once in 2001, a panel with 9 reviews in 1998, a panel with 8 reviews in 1996, four times in 1995, twice in 1994, and in 1993, 1991), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) in 2020, the Dutch Research Council (NWO) in 2020 and 2024, the Israel Science Foundation (in 2019), the Swiss National Science Foundation in 2018, the Chilean National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (in 2013), the Belgian national science foundation (FWO) (in 2011), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (in 2006, 2005, and 2002), the Dutch National Science Foundation (in 2004), and the US Department of Energy (in 1991).

Participant in the US National Science Foundation's Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering's area study, during 2005.

Consultant book reviewer for MIT Press (1995), Kluwer Academic Publishers (1995), Richard D. Irwin, Co. (1994), Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. (1994), McGraw-Hill (1993 and 1992), Benjamin-Cummings (1993), Prentice-Hall (1993), Franklin, Beedle, & Associates (1992).

External Ph.D. examiner for: Li Huang, Constructor Institute of Technology, Schaffhausen, Switzerland (and Constructor University Bremen, Germany) (2025); Tim Molderez, University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Netherlands (2014); Ciera Jaspan, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA (2011); Peter Hui, Depaul University, Chicago, USA (2009); Mohamed El Bendary, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA (2008); Devi Prasad, Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology, Allahabad, India (2006); Ulf Schünemann, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada (2005); Peter Müller, FernUniversität, Hagen, Germany (2001); Andrew Bancroft Boake, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa (1998); Patrice Chalin, Concordia University, Montréal, Québec (1995).

Organizer of a working group at *WISR8: 8th Annual Workshop on Software Reuse*; see the report in *ACM Software Engineering Notes*, **22**(5):17–19, September 1997.

Member of the IEEE Distinguished Visitor Program, Spring 2003–Spring 2005

Member of an ad-hoc committee to select the most influential *OOPSLA* papers from 1986–1996 (in 2006).

Member of the ACM SIGPLAN Education Board from 2009 to 2010.

Co-organizer, with Stephen Freund, of the "What" report for ACM SIGPLAN's Programming Language Curriculum Workshop, in 2008.

Member of the Knowledge Area Focus Group on Programming Languages for the ACM/IEEE Computer Science Curriculum 2001 effort (during 1999).

Member of panel on "Software Testing in the Computer Science Curriculum," Iowa Undergraduate Computer Science Consortium, Simpson College, Iowa, March 25, 2000.

Organized and moderated the panel “Science vs. Engineering in Computing,” Iowa Undergraduate Computer Science Consortium, Simpson College, Iowa, December 2, 1995.

### **Professional Societies**

Senior member of the Association for Computing Machinery (since 1977, senior since 2007) and its special interest groups for programming languages and software engineering. Senior member of the IEEE Computer Society (since 1986, senior since 1999) and its technical committee on software engineering. Member of the European Association for Programming Languages and Systems (since 1998). Member of IFIP Working Group 2.3 (Programming Methodology) (since 2005). Member of IFIP Working Group 1.9/2.15 (Verified Software) (since 2011). Member of American Association for the Advancement of Science (since 2011).

### **Honors and Awards**

AITO Test of Time award, AITO, 2022 (for the most influential paper at *ECOOP 2002*).

Recognition of Service Award, ACM, 2018 (for serving as *ESEC/FSE 2018* general chair).

Recognition of Service Award, ACM, 2012 (for serving as *SPLASH 2012* general chair).

Upsilon Pi Epsilon honor society membership, April 2011.

Recognition of Service Award, ACM, 2009 (for serving as *OOPSLA 2009* research program committee chair).

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Award for Outstanding Teaching, Iowa State University, 2007.

“Memorable Teacher” award, Iowa State University, March 2007.

Senior Member of the ACM, 2007.

IEEE Distinguished Visitor Program speaker, 2003-2005.

Senior Member of the IEEE, 2000.

Full member of the graduate faculty, Iowa State University, 1993.

GenRad/AEA Faculty Development Fellowship, 1983.

Phi Beta Kappa, December 1978.

Angell Scholar, March 1979.

Class Honors, 1977, 1978, 1979.

College Honors Program, 1975-1978.

Regents Alumni Scholar, 1975.

### **Service**

#### **University of Central Florida (UCF)**

CV reviewer for UCF Faculty Excellence (and the Quill and Scroll society), spring 2022.

Proposal reviewer for UCF Office of Research, spring 2022.

Mentoring on the NSF CAREER mentoring committee, summers, 2019-2021.

Member of the UCF Strategic Planning Council, 2019-20.

Faculty advisor for the ACM-W chapter at UCF, fall 2018–fall 2023 (since merged with the ACM Student chapter).

Faculty advisor for the ACM student chapter at UCF, fall 2017–spring 2025.

Founder and member of the Computer Science Attracting, Retaining, and Advancing Women in Undergraduate Computing Committee.

Faculty advisor for the Evolutionary Robotics and Neuroevolution club, from April 2014.

Mini lecture for UCF open house: “We can prove it’s impossible, but we do it anyway!”, yearly from 2011–2022.

Showcase of Undergraduate Research Excellence judge, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011.

Graduate Research Forum Judge, Spring 2011.

### **College of Engineering and Computer Science at the University of Central Florida**

Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, Spring 2023–Fall 2024.

Chair, Department of Computer Science, October 2015–June 2021.

Sabbatical Review Committee, January 2010.

Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, Fall 2008–Spring 2010, chair starting Summer 2009.

RIA Selection Committee, Spring 2009.

### **Dept. of Computer Science at UCF**

Instructor/Lecturer Search Committee, member, fall 2023.

Awards committee, member, fall 2023.

Dept. Chair of Computer Science, October 2015–June 2021.

### **Dept. of EECS at UCF**

Chair of the CS Division, October 2011–October 2015.

Interim Chair and Interim Chair CS Division, September 2010–October 2011.

Associate Chair, August 2008–September 2010.

Faculty Search Committee, Fall 2009–Spring 2010.

Chair, Awards Committee, August 2008–2010.

Chair, Faculty Search and Software Engineering Search Committee, October 2008–May 2009.

Chair, Space and Laboratory Committee, August 2008–2010.

Chair, Undergraduate Committee, August 2008–2010.

Executive Committee, August 2008–present.

Computer Science Curriculum Oversight and Review Committee, Spring 2008–2010.

Promotion and Tenure review committee, (anually, 2007–2010, 2022–present).

Undergraduate student advisor for 6 students, 2008.

### **University at Iowa State University**

Ad-hoc Post Tenure Review Committee, for a professor’s review in Computer Engineering, September 2006.

Faculty Senate, February 1999–2000, 2001–Spring 2005.

Graduate Curriculum and Catalog Committee, Fall 2003–Spring 2004.

Liaison of the Faculty Senate’s LAS caucus to the LAS representative assembly, Fall 2002–Spring 2005.



Panelist on Faculty/Adviser panel, for summer orientation, June 25, 2003.

Faculty Senate representative to the computation advisory committee, Fall 2001–Spring 2002.

Faculty Senate academic affairs committee, Aug. 1999–2000.

**College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) at Iowa State University**

Phi Beta Kappa Members in Course Committee, Spring 2007.

Curriculum committee, Spring 2002–Spring 2004.

Budget Dean Search (ad hoc committee) Spring 2000.

Representative Assembly, Sept. 1991–Spring 1998. Served on its Executive Committee in the 1995–1996, and 1997–1998 academic years.

Drafting committee for the LAS College Strategic Plan, Spring 1995.

**Department, Computer Science at Iowa State University**

Director of Graduate Education, Fall 2001–May 2007.

Chair, Graduate Committee, Fall 2001–May 2007.

Web Committee, Spring 2006–May 2007.

Promotion and Tenure Steering Committee, Fall 2005–Spring 2006.

Promotion and Tenure Steering Committee, Fall 2003–Spring 2004.

Chair, Promotion and Tenure Steering Committee, Fall 2004.

Undergraduate Committee, Sept. 1989–2000. (Chair of the committee in the 1999–2000 academic year.)

Catalog coordinator, Spring 2000.

Faculty Search Committee, 1999–2000 academic year.

Ad Hoc Committee on Post Tenure Review, Spring 2000.

Promotion and Tenure Steering Committee, 1995–1996 academic year.

Reform of introductory courses, June 1991–April 1992, including service on ad hoc committee, Spring 1992.

Graduate Admissions Committee, Jan. 1989–Aug. 1989.

Ad Hoc Committee for Teaching Awards, Oct. 1989 and Oct. 1990.

Mentor for Dalei Li in the “Preparing Future Faculty” program, Fall 2003.

Mentor for Adrian Silvescu in the “Preparing Future Faculty” program, Spring 2003.

Mentor for Curtis Clifton in the “Preparing Future Faculty” program, Fall 2002.

Member of the Information Assurance (INFAS) program. Member of the Iowa State Institute of Science and Society.

Temporary adviser for several graduate students, Sept. 1989–2007.

***References***

Available on request.

***Citizenship***

Citizen of the United States of America.