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Degrees:

Stanford University, Stanford, CA.	B.S.	1961	Physics
University of California, Los Angeles	M.A.	1963	Physics
University of California, Los Angeles	Ph.D.	1967	Physics

Professional experience:

1961 - 1963	Science Teacher (part time), Harvard School, North Hollywood, CA
1963 - 1964	Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Chemistry, University of California, Los Angeles, CA
1967 - 1969	Temporary Research Associate, Theoretical Physics Division, A.E.R.E., Harwell, England
1969 - 1975	Assistant Professor of Physics, Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA
1975 - 1976	Visiting Fellow, Yale University (sabbatical - theory of amorphous semiconductors)
Spring 1976	Visiting Associate Professor of Physics, University of California, Los Angeles, CA
1975 - 1981	Associate Professor Physics, Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, CA
1981 - 1992	Professor of Physics, Harvey Mudd College (On leave July 1990 - July 1992)
1989 - 1990	Visiting Associate in Biology, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA
1990 - 1992	Visiting Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder
1992 - present	Professor Adjunct, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder

Research and Teaching Experience:

Much of my research prior to 1990 was in the area of computational solid state physics and in the use of simulations in undergraduate physics education. Many of these publications were in collaboration with undergraduate students and with experimentalists who measured spectra for materials which I have modeled. My recent work has been in computational neuroscience.

At the University of Colorado, I have lectured in the course “Brains, Minds and Computers”, giving lectures on computer modeling of biological and artificial neural networks, served on thesis committees, and participated in departmental activities relating to engineering education and curriculum revision. I am also a member of the graduate faculty of the Center for Neuroscience and a member of the Society for Neuroscience and the Organization for Computational Neuroscience.

Since moving to Colorado in 1990, my principal activity has been the development of educational tutorials and instructional materials in computational neuroscience using the GENESIS simulator, working as a subcontractor on grants funding GENESIS development. This has involved the conversion of research simulations into more accessible “user-friendly” simulation-based educational tutorials. I have also co-authored a textbook and laboratory manual that incorporates computer simulations into neuroscience courses (Bower and Beeman 1994, 1998), and have taught the use of neural simulation techniques at various short courses on Computational Neuroscience (Marine Biology Laboratory 1990-1992; Crete 1997; Bangalore 1999; Trieste 2001; Obidos 2002–2003; Frankfurt 2006; Luebeck 2012; Brasil 2006, 2008, 2010, 2014). For these courses I provide an extensive collection of tutorials and documentation that was developed in conjunction with my teaching at CU and my simulator development duties.

Most recently, my research is carried out in collaboration with simulator developers, modelers, and experimentalists from the US, the UK, Belgium, Germany, and Brazil. I use biologically realistic computer models to study the generation and propagation of waves of activity in the auditory cortex (Beeman, 2013). Currently I am studying the effects of synaptic plasticity on the balance of excitation and inhibition in model networks that have structurally realistic neurons. Analysis of the numerical results of these simulations has required that I develop Python custom software for the visualization and analysis of network activity, as well as tutorials on using these tools in computational neuroscience (Rodriguez, et al. 2012).

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