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Appointments:

<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Cincinnati	Assistant/Associate/Full Professor	1993 – present
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Cincinnati	Graduate Program in Neuroscience	2006 – present
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Virginia	Research Associate, Neuroscience	1991 – 1993

Education:

<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Virginia	Electrical Engineering	Ph.D. 1991
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Virginia	Electrical Engineering	M.S. 1987
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Virginia	Computational Neuroscience	PostDoc 1991-93

Professional Activities (INNS-Related in Red)

<input type="checkbox"/>	President	International Neural Network Society	2015-2016
<input type="checkbox"/>	VP for Conferences	International Neural Network Society	2012-2014
<input type="checkbox"/>	Member - Board of Governors	International Neural Network Society	2010-2019, 2020 -
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary	International Neural Network Society	2006-2010
<input type="checkbox"/>	General Chair	IJCNN'2011, San Jose	2011
<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshops Chair	IJCNN'2020, Glasgow	2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tutorials Chair	IJCNN'2009, Atlanta	2009
<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshops Chair	IJCNN'2007, Orlando	2007
<input type="checkbox"/>	General Chair/Co-Chair	International Conf. on Complex Systems	2011, 2018, 2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neural Networks Tech Comm.	IEEE-Computational Intelligence Society	2004-2005, 2009-2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Editor	Neural Networks	2009-present
<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Editor	IEEE Trans. Neural Net & Learning Sys	2016-2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Editor	IEEE Trans. on Neural Networks	2001-2008
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Editor	Cognitive Systems Research	2016-2019
<input type="checkbox"/>	Series Editor	Springer/NECSI Series on Complex Sys	2011-2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	Editor of 12 books	on complex systems and cognitive models (11 published by Springer)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Member of numerous international conference program committees.		

Research Interests and Experience:

Neural models of cognition, navigation, and motor control; Computational neuroscience; Natural language processing; Deep learning applications; Unsupervised and developmental learning; Complex systems and networks; Multi-agent systems; Social networks; Collective learning in social systems.

Selected Publications ([Google Scholar h-Index 30, 4,200+ Citations](#))

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- Lamb, M., Nalepka, P., Kallen, R., Lorenz, T., Harrison, S., Minai, A.A., and Richardson, M. (2019) A Hierarchical Behavioral Dynamic Approach for Naturally Adaptive Human-Agent Pick-and-Place Interactions, *Complexity*: Article ID 5964632, <https://doi.org/10.1155/2019/5964632>
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- Ali A. Minai (2015) Computational Models of Cognitive and Motor Control. In **Springer Handbook of Computational Intelligence**, J. Kacprzyk and W. Pedrycz (Eds.), Springer.
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- Byadarhaly, K.V., Perdoor, M.C. and Mina, A.A. (2012) A Modular Neural Model of Motor Synergies, *Neural Networks* 32: 96-108.
- Iyer, L.R., Dobioli, S., Minai, A.A., Brown, V.R., Levine, D.S. and Paulus, P.B. (2009) Neural Dynamics of Idea Generation and the Effects of Priming, *Neural Networks*, **22**: 674-686.
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- Zhang, X. and Minai, A.A. (2004) Temporally-Sequenced Intelligent Block-Matching and Motion-Segmentation using Locally Coupled Neural Networks, *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks* 15: 1202-1214.
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- Sundar S. and Minai, A.A. (2000) Synchronization of Randomly Multiplexed Chaotic Systems with Application to Communication, *Physical Review Letters*, 85: 5456-5459.
- Minai, A.A. (1999) Using Chaos to Produce Synchronized Stochastic Dynamics in Non-Homogeneous Map Arrays with a Random Scalar Coupling, *Physics Letters A* 251: 31-38.
- Minai, A.A. and Anand, T. (1999) Synchronization of Chaotic Maps through a Noisy Coupling Channel with Application to Digital Communication, *Physical Review E* 59: 312-320.

Professional Memberships:

INNS (Senior Member), IEEE (Senior Member), AAAS, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu