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- Background
 - If we are to interpret metaphor, we first need to map language to representations that supports metaphorical reasoning
- Area of interest: Deep Natural Language Understanding
 - Robust parsing of language into knowledge
 - Common-sense knowledge and ontologies
 - Intention recognition
 - Discourse processing



- Qualifications: We have one of the most capable systems for broad-coverage, deep language understanding
 - Over 80% accuracy (F-score) in producing deep logical forms from arbitrarily-chosen texts
 - » STEP, 2008
 - Top performing system in identify events and temporal relations from raw text
 - » TimeEval-2, 2010
 - Robust end-to-end systems that integrate language understanding with reasoning and learning
 - » PLOW, Best paper AAAI 2007



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- What are we seeking collaborators
 - with strengths in metaphorical/analogical reasoning
 - with strength in developing common-sense knowledge bases integrated with language understanding
 - with experience in specific application areas of interest to the program



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