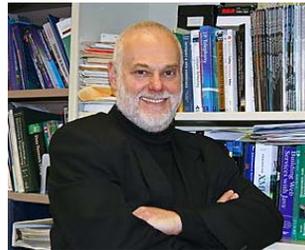**The Lynne and William Frankel Center**
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Cooperation and collaboration opportunities with the Computer Science Dept. at UMass Lowell

Abstract: The University of Massachusetts (UMass) Lowell and Ben Gurion University have had a Cooperation Agreement for a number of years. However, to date, true collaboration has been spotty at best. I will present an overview of UMass, UMass Lowell, and the CS Dept. I will survey research activities at our Dept, with a goal to explore and identify opportunities to put the cooperation agreement between our institutions into "higher gear", at least as applied to Computer Science. Finally, I hope to get a conversation going to identify those opportunities that stand to benefit both sides.

Bio: Haim Levkowitz will become (July 1, 2016) the Chair of the Computer Science Department at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, where he has been a Faculty member since 1989. He was a twice-recipient of a US Fulbright Scholar Award to Brazil (2012 and 2004–2005). He was a Visiting Professor at ICMC — Instituto de Ciencias Matematicas e de Computacao (The Institute of Mathematics and Computer Sciences) — at the University of Sao Paul, Sao Carlos – SP, Brazil (2004 -- 2005; 2012 -- 2013), in both cases funded by the state of Sao Paulo. He co-founded (1991) and was Co-Director of the Institute for Visualization and Perception Research (through 2012), and is now Director of the Human-Information Interaction Research Group. He is a world renowned authority on visualization, perception, color, and their application in data mining and information retrieval. He is Co-Editor/Co-Author of "Writing Scientific Papers in English Successfully: Your Complete Roadmap," (E. Schuster, H. Levkowitz, and O.N. Oliveira Jr., eds., Paperback: ISBN: 978-8588533974; Kindle: ISBN: 8588533979, available now on Amazon.com: goo.gl/dbtq5A); Author of "Color Theory and Modeling for Computer Graphics, Visualization, and Multimedia Applications" (Springer 1997); and Co-Editor of "Perceptual Issues in Visualization" (Springer 1995), as well as many papers on these subjects. He has more than 44 years experience teaching and lecturing, and has taught many tutorials and short courses, in addition to regular academic courses. His research interests lie at the intersection of humans' interaction with their ever-growing amount of information. In addition to his academic career, Professor Levkowitz has had an active entrepreneurial career as Founder or Co-Founder; Chief Technology Officer; Scientific and Strategic Advisor; Director; and venture investor at a number of high-tech startups. As such, he is also extremely interested in the interaction between academic research and the implementation of its knowledge in the form of technology transfer and new venture creation and launching.

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