

# PEIDE HUANG

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## EDUCATION

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**Carnegie Mellon University**

September 2020 - Present

*M.S. in Machine Learning*

*Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering*

*Pittsburgh, PA, US*

Academic advisors: Prof. Ding Zhao (SafeAI Lab), Prof. Fei Fang (AI and Social Good Lab)

**Stanford University**

September 2018 - April 2020

*M.S. in Mechanical Engineering (Robotics Track), GPA: 3.9/4.0*

*Stanford, CA, US*

**Nanyang Technological University, Singapore**

September 2014 - May 2018

*B.E. in Aerospace Engineering with Highest Distinction, GPA: 4.9/5.0*

*Singapore*

## CURRENT RESEARCH

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Peide Huang's research goal is to understand the interplay between the reinforcement learning agents and the tasks, with the objective of enabling robust, safe, and explainable decision-making. To achieve this goal, he leverages curriculum learning, representation learning, and game theory. He also tackles real-world applications in robotics, autonomous driving, and healthcare.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Curriculum Reinforcement Learning using Optimal Transport via Gradual Domain Adaptation**  
**Peide Huang**, Mengdi Xu, Jiacheng Zhu, Laixi Shi, Fei Fang, Ding Zhao.  
The 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2022)
- Robust Reinforcement Learning as a Stackelberg Game via Adaptively-Regularized Adversarial Training**  
**Peide Huang**, Mengdi Xu, Fei Fang, Ding Zhao.  
The 31st International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2022).
- Scalable Safety-Critical Policy Evaluation with Accelerated Rare Event Sampling**  
Mengdi Xu, **Peide Huang**, Fengpei Li, Jiacheng Zhu, Xuwei Qi, Kentaro Oguchi, Zhiyuan Huang, Henry Lam, and Ding Zhao.  
IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS 2022).
- Group Distributionally Robust Reinforcement Learning with Hierarchical Latent Variables**  
Mengdi Xu, **Peide Huang**, Yaru Niu, Visak Kumar, Jieli Qiu, Chao Fang, Kuan-Hui Lee, Xuwei Qi, Henry Lam, Bo Li, Ding Zhao.  
The 26th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2023)
- Trustworthy Reinforcement Learning Against Intrinsic Vulnerabilities: Robustness, Safety, and Generalizability**  
**Peide Huang**<sup>\*</sup>, Mengdi Xu<sup>\*</sup>, Zuxin Liu<sup>\*</sup>, Wenhao Ding, Zhepeng Cen, Bo Li, Ding Zhao.  
Preprint.
- Multimodal Representation Learning of Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance Imaging**  
**Peide Huang**<sup>\*</sup>, Jieli Qiu<sup>\*</sup>, Makiya Nakashima, Jaehyun Lee, Jiacheng Zhu, Wilson Tang, Pohao Chen, Christopher Nguyen, Byung-Hak Kim, Debbie Kwon, Douglas Weber, Ding Zhao, David Chen.  
Preprint.

7. **Cardiac Disease Diagnosis on Imbalanced Electrocardiography Data Through Optimal Transport Augmentation**  
Jielin Qiu, Jiacheng Zhu, Mengdi Xu, **Peide Huang**, Michael Rosenberg, Douglas Weber, Emerson Liu, Ding Zhao  
2023 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP 2023)
8. **Continual Reinforcement Learning with Group Symmetries**  
Shiqi Liu, Mengdi Xu, **Peide Huang**, Yongkang Liu, Kentaro Oguchi, Ding Zhao  
Preprint
9. **Coalitional Fairness of Autonomous Vehicles at a T-Intersection**  
Diana Gomez, Haohong Lin, **Peide Huang**, Corey Harper, Ding Zhao.  
2022 IEEE 25th International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITSC 2022)
10. **Latent Goal Allocation for Multi-Agent Goal-Conditioned Self-Supervised Imitation Learning**  
**Peide Huang**<sup>\*</sup>, Rui Chen<sup>\*</sup>, and Laixi Shi<sup>\*</sup>.  
NeurIPS 2021 Bayesian Deep Learning Workshop.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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- CMU Machine Learning Department Fellowship 2023-2024
- NeurIPS 2022 Scholar Award
- NeurIPS 2022 Top Reviewer (8% of all reviewers)
- CMU 2022 Graduate Student Assembly/Provost Conference Funds
- ICLR 2021 Travel Award
- NTU 2016 President Research Scholar with Distinction

## INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

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<b>Cleveland Clinic Foundation</b>	September 2022 - May 2023
<i>Machine Learning Research Intern</i>	<i>Ohio, US</i>

- Proposed a novel multi-modal representation learning framework to work with complex sequences of cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance Imaging (cMRi).
- Communicated with doctors and medical experts to understand the challenges faced in medical imaging analysis and complement the machine learning model with domain knowledge.

<b>Flexiv Robotics Ltd.</b>	June 2019 - September 2019
<i>System Engineer Intern</i>	<i>California, US</i>

- Established a new experimental software and hardware framework to expedite the prototyping and testing procedure of products in development. Developed a multi-threaded inter-process communication software library to achieve more robust and faster communication between middle-ware modules.
- Coordinated with senior engineers and managers to ensure smooth integration of the new framework into the R&D department. Constructed a standard operating procedure for the experimental setup.

<b>Agency for Science, Technology and Research, Singapore</b>	January 2017 - June 2017
<i>Research Assistant</i>	<i>Singapore</i>

- Designed and developed a variable footprint, Omni-directional mobile robotic platform that can change the morphology for increased stability or compactness in response to the task requirements.
- Communicated with the supervisor and managed the project timeline, budgeting, and deliverables.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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**Reviewer**      NeurIPS, ICML, AISTATS, ICASSP

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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- Bayesian Deep Learning Workshop, NeurIPS 2021
- Workshop on Security and Safety in Machine Learning Systems, ICLR 2021

## TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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<b>CMU Modern Control Theory, Fall 2021</b>	Head of teaching assistants
<b>CMU Linear Control Systems, Fall 2020</b>	Head of teaching assistants
<b>NTU Introduction to Computing, Spring 2016</b>	Peer tutor
<b>NTU Robotics Club</b>	Co-founder and Vice President