# Shushman Choudhury

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## **EDUCATION**

STANFORD UNIVERSITY | Ph.D. in Computer Science | 2017 - 2021

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY | M.S. IN ROBOTICS | 2015 - 2017

IIT KHARAGPUR | B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering | 2011 - 2015

## **EXPERIENCE**

## LACUNA TECHNOLOGIES, INC. | TECHNICAL LEAD, RESEARCH TEAM

Jul 2021 - Jul 2023 | Palo Alto, CA

- Led in-house research team of data scientists and ML engineers in building optimization and decision-making solutions for multiple major US cities and airports.
- Coordinated cross-functionally with engineering, product, and strategy teams to integrate technologies into existing systems and shape their future vision. Communicated critical insights and decisions to C-suite executives.
- Led machine learning pipeline development for the Fleet Conductor product, which optimized the last-block operations of delivery fleets in urban hotspots.
- Bayesian inference and optimization models for vehicle traffic at Seattle-Tacoma Airport; accurately estimated the efficacy of congestion management strategies and created an algorithm to improve congestion by up to 300% (1, 2).
- Designed a comprehensive optimization framework for dynamic curbside allocation in downtown Seattle (1)
- Gave multiple invited industry/academic talks, e.g., PacTrans 2022, TESC 2022, UFL Quarterly 2022, CPS-IoT 2023.

## STANFORD ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE LABORATORY | PHD RESEARCHER

Sep 2017 - Jun 2021 | Stanford, CA

- Developed state-of-the-art algorithms for hierarchical multi-agent allocation and routing.
- Best Overall Paper at AAMAS 2021 and Best Multi-Agent Finalist at ICRA 2020.
- Research featured in VentureBeat, BBC Digital Planet, and IEEE Spectrum

#### MICROSOFT RESEARCH REDMOND | AI PHD INTERN

Summer 2020 | Remote

• Multi-task deep reinforcement learning by computing and adapting shared representations.

#### **CARNEGIE MELLON PERSONAL ROBOTICS LAB** | MS RESEARCHER

Aug 2015 - Aug 2017 | Pittsburgh, PA

• Efficient motion planning for robot manipulation, validated on a bi-manual manipulator.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

## Efficient Large Scale Multi-Drone Delivery Using Transit Networks

International Conference on Robotics and Automation 2020 Best Multi-Robot Finalist Journal of Al Research 2021

#### Scalable Anytime Planning for Multi-Agent MDPs

Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems 2021 Best Paper Journal of Al Research 2022

#### Dynamic Multi-Robot Task Allocation under Uncertainty and Temporal Constraints

Robotics Science and Systems (RSS) 2020 Springer Autonomous Robots (AuRO) 2022

Estimating Driver Response Rates to Variable Message Signage at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

Transport Findings Journal 2022

## Optimal, Centralized Dynamic Curbside Parking Space Zoning

IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Conference 2022

#### Coordinated Multi-Agent Pathfinding for Drones and Trucks over Road Networks

Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems 2022

## Pareto-optimal search over configuration space beliefs for anytime motion planning

Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) 2016

## LANGUAGES/TOOLS/TECHNIQUES

- Python (5+ yrs) C++ (5+ yrs) Julia (5 yrs) Python-MIP Pandas PyMC Scikit-Learn Pytorch AWS
- Hierarchical Multi-Agent Methods Decision-Making under Uncertainty Combinatorial Optimization Heuristic Search
- Statistical Inference Geospatial Analysis