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Position Postdoctoral Scholar

University of California, Berkeley Fall 2022 - 2023

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Assistant Professor

Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University Fall 2023

Education University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Summer 2022

Advisors: Anca D. Dragan & Claire J. Tomlin

Thesis: Bridging Safety and Learning in Human-Robot Interaction

University of Maryland, College Park

B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics 2012 - 2016

INTERNSHIPS NVIDIA Research

Autonomous Vehicles Research Scientist Intern Spring 2021

Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems

Autonomous Motion Group Research Intern Summer 2016

JOURNAL ARTICLES [J1] Physical Interaction as Communication: Learning Robot Objectives Online from Human Corrections.

D.P. Losey, A. Bajcsy, M.K. O'Malley, A.D. Dragan. International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR), 2021.

[J2] Efficient Dynamics Estimation with Adaptive Model Sets.

E. Ratner, A. Bajcsy, C.J. Tomlin, A.D. Dragan. *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, 2021.

[J3] A Robust Control Framework for Human Motion Prediction.

A. Bajcsy, S. Bansal, E. Ratner, C.J. Tomlin, A.D. Dragan. *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)*, 2020.

[J4] Quantifying Hypothesis Space Misspecification in Learning from Human-Robot Demonstrations and Physical Corrections.

A. Bobu, A. Bajcsy, J.F. Fisac, S. Deglurkar, A.D. Dragan. *IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)*, 2020.

(Honorable Mention for the 2020 IEEE T-RO Best Paper Award)

[J5] Confidence-Aware Motion Prediction for Real-Time Collision Avoidance.

D. Fridovich-Keil*, A. Bajcsy*, J.F. Fisac, S.L. Herbert, S. Wang, A.D. Dragan, C.J. Tomlin.

International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR), 2019.

[J6] A User-Centered Design and Analysis of an Electrostatic Haptic Touchscreen System for Students with Visual Impairments.

A. Bateman, O. Zhao, A. Bajcsy, M. Jennings, B. Toth, A. Cohen, E. Horton, A. Khattar, R. Kuo, F. Lee, M.K. Lim, L. Migasiuk, R. Renganathan, A. Zhang, M.A. Oliveira.

International Journal of Human-Computer Studies, 2017.

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Conference Publications

[C1] Towards Modeling and Influencing the Dynamics of Human Learning. R. Tian, M. Tomizuka, A.D. Dragan, A. Bajcsy. International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction (HRI), 2023.

[C2] Towards Robots that Influence Humans over Long-Term Interaction. S. Sagheb, Y. Mun, N. Ahmadian, B.A. Christie, A. Bajcsy, K. Driggs-Campbell, D.P. Losey. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2023.

[C3] Safety Assurances for Human-Robot Interaction via Confidence-aware Game-theoretic Human Models.

R. Tian*, L. Sun*, A. Bajcsy*, M. Tomizuka, A.D. Dragan. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2022.

[C4] Analyzing Human Models that Adapt Online.

A. Bajcsy, A. Siththaranjan, C.J. Tomlin, A.D. Dragan. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2021.

[C5] A Hamilton-Jacobi Reachability-Based Framework for Predicting and Analyzing Human Motion for Safe Planning.

S. Bansal*, A. Bajcsy*, E. Ratner*, A.D. Dragan, C.J. Tomlin. Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2020.

[C6] An Efficient Reachability-Based Framework for Provably Safe Autonomous Navigation in Unknown Environments.

A. Bajcsy*, S. Bansal*, E. Bronstein, V. Tolani, C.J. Tomlin. Conference on Decision and Control (CDC), 2019.

[C7] A Scalable Framework For Real-Time Multi-Robot, Multi-Human Collision Avoidance.

A. Bajcsy*, S.L. Herbert*, D. Fridovich-Keil, J.F. Fisac, S. Deglurkar, A.D. Dragan, C.J. Tomlin. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2019.

[C8] Learning Under Misspecified Objective Spaces. A. Bobu, A. Bajcsy, J.F. Fisac, A.D. Dragan.

Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2018.

(invited to special issue)

[C9] Probabilistically Safe Robot Planning with Confidence-Based Human Predictions.

J.F. Fisac*, A. Bajcsy*, S.L. Herbert, D. Fridovich-Keil, S. Wang, C.J. Tomlin, A.D. Dragan.

Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS), 2018.

(invited to special issue)

[C10] Learning from Physical Human Corrections, One Feature at a Time. A. Bajcsy, D.P. Losey, M.K. O'Malley, A.D. Dragan. International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction (HRI), 2018.

[C11] Learning Robot Objectives from Physical Human Robot Interaction. A. Bajcsy*, D.P. Losey*, M.K. O'Malley, A.D. Dragan. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2017. (oral, acceptance rate 10%)

[C12] A Review of Principles in Design and Usability Testing of Tactile Technology for Individuals with Visual Impairments.

E.L. Horton, R. Renganathan, B.N. Toth, A.J. Cohen, A.V. Bajcsy, A. Bateman, M.C. Jennings, A. Khattar, R.S. Kuo, F.A. Lee, M.K. Lim, L.W., Migasiuk, A. Zhang, O.K. Zhao, M.A. Oliveira. $Assistive \ Technology, \ 2016.$

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[C13] Systematic Measurement of Marginal Mark Types on Voting Ballots. A. Bajcsy, Y.S. Li-Baboud, M. Brady. NIST IR 8069, 2015.

[C14] Depicting Web Images for the Blind and Visually Impaired. A. Bajcsy, Y.S. Li-Baboud, M. Brady. SPIE Newsroom, 2013.

Pre-Prints

[P1] Towards the Unification and Data-Driven Synthesis of Autonomous Vehicle Safety Concepts.

K. Leung*, A. Bajcsy*, E. Schmerling, M. Pavone. arXiv: https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.14412, 2022.

WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

[W1] Introspective Human Motion Prediction for Safe Robot Autonomy.
A. Bajcsy.

RSS Pioneers, RSS, 2020.

[W2] A Robust Control Framework for Intent-Driven Human Motion Prediction.

A. Bajcsy, S. Bansal, E. Ratner, C.J. Tomlin, A.D. Dragan. Interaction and Decision-Making in Autonomous-Driving, ICRA, 2020.

Teaching

CS188: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Fall 2020

UC Berkeley, Graduate Student Instructor.

Taught a weekly one-hour discussion section, held weekly office hours.

EE221A: Linear Systems Theory

Fall 2019

UC Berkeley, Graduate Student Instructor.

Taught weekly two-hour discussion section for 50 PhD, masters, and undergraduate students. Graded homework, exams, and held office hours.

CMSC131: Object-Oriented Programming

Spring 2014

University of Maryland, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant.

Taught a weekly one-hour discussion section of 30 students and held office hours.

Honors & Awards

Rising Stars Academic Career Workshop in EECS

2021

Selective, intensive workshop for historically marginalized graduate students and postdocs interested in pursuing academic careers in EE, CS, AI, and decision-making.

Honorable Mention for the 2020 IEEE T-RO Best Paper Award 2020 For the paper "Quantifying Hypothesis Space Misspecification in Learning from Human-Robot Demonstrations and Physical Corrections"

Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) Pioneers

2020

Selected for workshop bringing together top early career researchers in robotics.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship 2016 Three-year research fellowship of \$34,000 yearly for graduate students in STEM.

Berkeley EECS Excellence Award

2016

One-year fellowship of \$26,000 during the academic year, \$4,000 over the summer.

Student Researchers of the Year Award, University of Maryland 2016 Awarded to five undergrad researchers in all disciplines at University of Maryland.

CRA Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award Honorable Mention 2015

Brendan Iribe Scholar, University of Maryland

2015

Awarded yearly to one undergraduate student in Computer Science.

Invited Talks

Practical Safety Assurances for Dynamic Human-Robot Interactions

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Multi-Agent RL Reading Group, University of Maryland College Park	2023
EE-599: Special Topics on Safety, University of Southern California	2023
ELE 539: Safety-Critical Robotic Systems Class, Princeton University	2022
Nuro, Mountain View	2022
Workshop on Safe Learning for Autonomous Driving (SL4AD), ICML	2022
Bridging Safety and Learning in Human-Robot Interaction	
Robotics Seminar, University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana	2023
Robotics Seminar, University of Wisconsin-Madison	2023
Department Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University	2022
Department Seminar, Northwestern University	2022
Department Seminar, Brown University	2022
Department Seminar, Georgia Tech	2022
Department Seminar, University of Washington	2022
Department Seminar, University of Pennsylvania	2022
Department Seminar, Harvard	2022
Department Seminar, MIT	2022
Department Seminar, UC Santa Barbara	2022
Department Seminar, University of Michigan	2022
Department Seminar, Cornell	2022
Department Seminar, UC Los Angeles	2022
Frontiers in CMS Symposium, Caltech	2022
Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning Seminar, UC Berkeley	2022
Robotics Colloquium, University of Washington	2021
MAE 207: Safety for Autonomous Systems, University of California San Di 2021	.ego
Analyzing Human Models that Adapt Online	
Intelligent Control Lab, Carnegie Mellon University	2021
George Pappas Laboratory, University of Pennsylvania	2021
Introspective Human Motion Prediction for Safe Robot Autonomy	r
CS188: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, UC Berkeley	2020
Autonomy Talks, ETH Zurich	2020
Sam Burden Laboratory, University of Washington	2020
Robotics Seminar, Stanford University	2020
Safe Robots Which Learn From (and About) Humans	
AI4ALL, UC Berkeley	2021
BAIR / Transfer-to-Excellence REU, UC Berkeley	2021
Innovative Robotics Symposium, University of Chicago Laboratory School	2020

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	ELE 539: Safety-Critical Robotic Systems Class, Princeton University	sity 2020		
	A Robust Control Framework for Human Motion Predictio	'n		
	Berkeley DeepDrive, UC Berkeley	2020		
	Confidence-Aware Motion Prediction for Real-time Collisio	n Avoidance		
	Robotics Seminar, Northwestern University	2019		
	Intelligent Systems Division, National Institute for Standards and (NIST)	Technology 2019		
	Long-Term Human Motion Prediction Workshop, ICRA	2019		
	Probabilistically Safe Robot Planning with Confidence-Base Predictions	ed Human		
	Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research (BAIR) Seminar Series, U e 2018	C Berkeley		
	Learning Robot Objectives from Physical Human-Robot Interaction			
	CS287H: Algorithmic Foundations of Human-Robot Interaction, Uc 2021	C Berkeley		
	Bay Area Robotics Symposium (BARS), UC Berkeley	2017		
	Berkeley DeepDrive, UC Berkeley	2017		
RESEARCH MENTORSHIP	Ran (Thomas) Tian (PhD student at UC Berkeley)	2021 - Present		
	Neerja Thakkar (PhD student at UC Berkeley)	2022 - Present		
	Jingqi Li (PhD student at UC Berkeley)	2022 - Present		
	Regina Wang (now Master's student at Stanford)	2021 - Present		
	Anand Siththaranjan (PhD student at UC Berkeley)	2019 - Present		
	Charles Tang (now software engineer at Applied Intuition)	2019 - 2021		
	Sampada Deglurkar (now PhD student at UC Berkeley)	2018 - 2020		
	Eli Bronstein (now software engineer at Waymo Research)	2019		
PH.D COMMITTEES	Benjamin Newman (CMU)	2023		
OUTREACH	Machine learning @ Berkeley Invited talk on human motion prediction for the Berkeley undergrad	2021 luates.		
	creAltivity Invited talk at the Al Ethics Lab to students from underrepresented	2021 backgrounds.		
	BAIR & Tranfer-To-Excellence REU Mentoring and invited talks.	2021 - 2022		
	AI4ALL mentor and speaker Summer camp on AI for underrepresented high school students	2020 - 2022		
	Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research mentor Mentoring underrepresented students in research and career planning	2019 g		
	Girls in Engineering Camp Taught summer camp students about self-driving cars	2018 - 2019		
	Girl Scouts Engineering Fun Day	2018		
Professional Activities	Conference Associate Editor			

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	2022
ICRA: IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation	2023
L4DC: Learning for Decision and Control	2023
Organizing Committee	
RSS: Robotics Science & Systems	2023
External Reviewer	
RSS: Robotics: Science and Systems	
RA-L: IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters	
T-RO: IEEE Transactions on Robotics	
IROS: IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems	\mathbf{s}
ICRA: IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation	
HRI: IEEE International Conference on Human-Robot Interaction	
AuRo: Autonomous Robots	
CoRL: Conference on Robot Learning	
ICCPS: IEEE International Conference on Cyber-Physical Systems	
ACC: American Control Conference	
AAAI: Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence	
Workshops & Seminars	
4th Workshop on Long-term Human Motion Prediction	2022
Robotics for People: Perspectives on Interaction, Learning, and Safety	2021
RSS Pioneers	2021
3rd Workshop on Long-term Human Motion Prediction	2021
UC Berkeley DREAM/CPAR Seminar 2	019 - 2021
2nd Workshop on Robust Autonomy	2020
Robust Autonomy: Safe Robot Learning and Control in Uncertain Real-World Environments	2010

2018 - 2019

March 24, 2023

UC Berkeley Semiautonomous Seminar