# **Andi Peng**

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## **EDUCATION**

Entering 2020 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Ph.D. Student, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (CSAIL)

Yale University, Cum Laude, GPA: 3.9/4.0

B.S. Cognitive Science (Advisor: Brian Scassellati)
Thesis: An Integrated Machine Learning Approach to Studying Terrorism
B.A. Global Affairs, with distinction (Advisor: William Casey King)
Capstone: Early Detection for Screening of Boko Haram Attacks in Nigeria

# FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS

| 2018 | Fox International Fellowship, University of Cambridge (\$30,000: declined)   |
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| 2017 | Truman Scholarship (\$30,000)  |
|      | Douglas A. Beck Prize, to an outstanding student for "high academic achievement, leadership potential, personal integrity, and commitment to public service", Yale |
|      | Brady-Johnson Grand Strategy Research Grant, Yale (\$4,000)  |
| 2016 | Multidisciplinary Aeronautics Research Team Initiative, NASA (\$10,000)  |
|      | John D. Heinz Fellowship, Yale (\$14,000)  |
|      | Shusterman Grant, Yale (\$6,000)   |
| 2015 | Nathan Hale Scholarship, "a special distinction that reflects the university's esteem for past and future achievements", Yale (\$55,000)                           |
| 2014 | The President's Volunteer Service Award, Barack Obama's Council on Service and Civic Participation   |
| 2013 | National Merit Scholarship (\$2,500)   |
|      | Appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point (declined)   |

# **REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS**

| [C5] | <b>Andi Peng</b> , Emre Kiciman, Besmira Nushi, Kori Inkpen and Ece Kamar. He's a paralegal and she's a lawyer? How different AI models effect accuracy and bias of human decision-making. <b>Under review.</b>   |
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| [C4] | <b>Andi Peng</b> and Malina Simard-Halm. The perils of objectivity: towards a normative framework for fair judicial decision-making. To appear in <i>Proceedings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> AAAI/ACM Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Ethics, and Society</i> (AIES 2020). New York, NY. [34.1% Acceptance Rate]                               |
| [C3] | Caleb Robinson, Anthony Ortiz, Kolya Malkin, Blake Elias, <b>Andi Peng</b> , Dan Morris, Bistra Dilkina, and Nebojsa Jojic. Human-machine collaboration for fast land cover mapping. To appear in <i>Proceedings of the 34<sup>th</sup> AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence</i> (AAAI 2020). New York, NY. [Oral, 20.6% Acceptance Rate] |
| [C2] | <b>Andi Peng</b> , Besmira Nushi, Emre Kiciman, Kori Inkpen, Siddharth Suri, and Ece Kamar. What you see is what you get? The impact of representation criteria on human bias in hiring. In <i>Proceedings of the 7<sup>th</sup> AAAI Conference on Human Computation and Crowdsourcing</i> (HCOMP 2019). Skamania Lodge, WA. [25%              |

Acceptance Rate]

[C1] Kenneth Decker, Jeffrey Chin, **Andi Peng**, Colin Summers, Golda Nguyen, Andrew Oberlander, Gazi Sakib,

Nariman Sharifrazi, Christopher Heath, Justin Gray, and Robert Falck. Conceptual Feasibility Study of the Hyperloop Vehicle for Next-Generation Transport. In *Proceedings of the 55<sup>th</sup> AIAA Aerospace Sciences* 

Meeting (SciTech 2017). Grapevine, TX.

#### REFEREED WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

[W1] Caleb Robinson, Anthony Ortiz, Kolya Malkin, Blake Elias, Andi Peng, Dan Morris, Bistra Dilkina, and

Nebojsa Jojic. Human-machine collaboration for fast land cover mapping. In *Tackling Climate Change with Machine Learning Workshop* at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS

2019). Vancouver, Canada.

## **WORK & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Sep 2019 -Applied Scientist II, Microsoft AI & ResearchRedmond, WASep 2018 -19AI Resident, Microsoft ResearchRedmond, WA

Collaborators: Ece Kamar, Besmira Nushi, Nebojsa Jojic, Emre Kiciman, Kori Inkpen

See: Partnership on Al Report on Algorithmic Risk Assessment Tools in the U.S. Criminal Justice

System.

Jan - Aug 2018 Policy Intern, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)

Washington, DC

Research Associate, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

Contributed to national quantum + AI strategy and helped stand up the Quantum Economic

Development Consortium.

Spring 2018 Undergraduate Thesis, Yale Cognitive Science Department

New Haven, CT

Advisor: Brian Scassellati

Integrated ML + political science approaches to understanding terrorism.

Spring 2018 Undergraduate Researcher, Yale Computer Science Department

New Haven, CT

Advisor: Joan Feigenbaum

The impact of risk assessment tools on procedural justice in criminology decision-making.

Summer 2017 Security Engineering Intern, Facebook eCrime Team

Menlo Park, CA

Threat modeling to aid investigators in proactive and responsive queries. Collaborated with law enforcement on counter-terrorism, sex trafficking, and state-sponsored information cases.

Spring 2017 Undergraduate Researcher, Yale Computer Science Department

New Haven, CT

Advisor: Brian Scassellati

RL for multi-agent Sphero control. Automatic path initialization and P- or PID-control for navigation.

Fall 2016 Global Affairs Capstone Project, U.S. Institute of Peace

Washington, DC

Advisor: William Casey King

Early-detection screening of Boko Haram attacks in Nigeria using sentiment analysis.

Summer 2016 MARTI Researcher, NASA Glenn Research Center

Cleveland, OH

Advisors: Jeffrey Chin and Justin Gray

Full system modeling and feasibility study of the Hyperloop.

#### **TALKS & PRESENTATIONS**

|                                | Conference session, HCOMP 2019: "Recruiting the Crowd". Skamania Lodge, WA.   |  |
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| Jun 2019                       | Do We Want Male Nannies? Decomposing Human and Algorithmic Biases in Hiring [C2] Invited talk, Microsoft Al&R Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging Day. Redmond, WA.  |  |
| May 2019                       | Human-AI Collaboration for Social Good [C3] Presentation, Microsoft AI for Good. Redmond, WA.   |  |
| Sep 2018                       | Federal Science Policy: Lessons from the White House Al residency program, Microsoft Research. Redmond, WA.   |  |
| Jan 2017                       | Conceptual Sizing and Feasibility Study for a Magnetic Plane Concept [C1] Conference session, SciTech 2017: "Hyperloop and Future High-Speed Transportation Concepts". Grapevine, TX.   |  |
| Aug 2016                       | Conceptual Feasibility Study of the Hyperloop for Next-Generation Transport [C1] Presentation to NASA Administration (Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate). Cleveland, OH.   |  |
| Jun 2014                       | U.SChina Relations and the Role of International Development Invited talk, Hubei University for Nationalities School of International Studies. Hubei, China.  |  |
| TEACHING                       |   |  |
| Fall 2017                      | Teaching Assistant, CPSC 100 (CS50): Introduction to Computer Science, Yale   |  |
| Spring 2017                    | Teaching Assistant, CPSC 223: Data Structures and Programming Techniques, Yale  |  |
| Fall 2015-16                   | Head Teaching Assistant, CPSC 100 (CS50): Introduction to Computer Science, Yale First undergraduate head TA in university history for the largest engineering course in university history. Managed a course staff of 62 for 450+ students. Had weekly teaching sections professionally filmed and produced for streaming on the course website. |  |
| Spring 2016                    | Peer Tutor, CPSC 202: Mathematical Tools for Computer Science, Yale   |  |
| PROFESSIONAL SERVICE           |   |  |
| Reviewer                       | CHI 2020  |  |
| 2016-2018                      | Student Advisory Committee, Yale CS Department  |  |
| 2015-2018                      | Mentor, Yale FLOAT (Women and Minorities in CS)   |  |
| LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY SERVICE |   |  |
| 2016-2018                      | Student Advisory Board, Yale Jackson Institute for Global Affairs Implemented recommendations to included establishing a pre-registration system, eliminating tracks within the major, and creating a new quantitative core sequence.   |  |
| 2017                           | Student Advisory Board, Yale Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy  |  |
| 2016-2017                      | Peer Liaison, Yale Asian-American Cultural Center Served as the sole upperclassman mentor in Berkeley College (one of 14 residential colleges at Yale). Organized diversity initiatives, programming, and events across the university at large.  |  |
| 2016-2017                      | Captain, Yale Women's Club Soccer   |  |
| 2016-2017                      | Executive Board, Yale Psi Chi Chapter (international honor society in psychology and cognitive science)   |  |

2013-2016

Deputy Executive Director, Teaching Peace Initiative

Helped lead a student-run 501(c)(3) for teaching peace-curriculum in schools. Operational in 21 states and 3 continents at time of transition.

# **LANGUAGES (HUMAN)**

English (native)
Mandarin (native)
French (conversational)

# **REFERENCES**

#### 1. Dr. Ece Kamar

Principal Researcher Microsoft Research Redmond, WA eckamar@microsoft.com

# 2. Dr. Jacob Taylor

Assistant Director for Quantum Information Science
White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)
Washington, DC
jacob.taylor@nist.gov

## 3. Dr. Brian Scassellati

Professor of Computer Science, Cognitive Science, and Mechanical Engineering Yale University

New Haven, CT

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