# Hai Nguyen

# Northeastern University

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### **EDUCATION**

Northeastern University (NEU), USA 2019 - Present

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

Supervisors: Prof. Robert Platt, Prof. Christopher Amato

University of Southampton (UoS), UK 2016-2017

Master of Science in Unmanned Aircraft Systems Design

Hanoi University of Science and Technology (HUST), Vietnam 2007-2012

Bachelor of Science in Control and Automation Engineering

### **WORK EXPERIENCES**

Embedded Software Engineer, Viettel Aerospace Institute, Vietnam

2012-2016 & 2017-2018

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on uncertainty modeling, reinforcement learning, and their applications to robot manipulation. I aim to build compact and robust models of the world to decision making under partial observability.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Zhihan Yang\*, **Hai Nguyen**\*. "Recurrent Off-policy Baselines for Memory-based Continuous Control", *NeurIPS: Deep Reinforcement Learning Workshop, 2021* 

**Hai Nguyen\***, Brett Daley\*, Xinchao Song, Christopher Amato, Robert Platt. "Belief-Grounded Networks for Accelerated Robot Learning under Partial Observability", *The 4nd Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL)*, 2020

**Hai Nguyen**, Xinchao Song, Christopher Amato, Robert Platt. "Imitation Learning in POMDPs with Contacts", *Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS): Reacting to Contact Workshop*, 2020

**Hai Nguyen**, Hung La. "Review of deep reinforcement learning for robot manipulation", *The 3rd IEEE International Conference on Robotic Computing (IRC)*, 2019

Adarsh Sehgal, Hung La, Sushil Louis, **Hai Nguyen**. "Hindsight Experience Replay With Experience Ranking", Joint IEEE 9th International Conference on Development and Learning and Epigenetic Robotics (ICDL-EpiRob), 2019

**Hai Nguyen**, Hung La. "Deep reinforcement learning using genetic algorithm for parameter optimization", *The 3rd IEEE International Conference on Robotic Computing (IRC)*, 2019

#### Awards

Chevening Scholarship, British Foreign and Commonwealth Office (2% acceptance rate)	2016
IMechE UAS 2016 Challenge - Runner-up	2017
IMechE UAS 2016 Challenge - Navigation Accuracy Award	2017
Graduate Dean's Merit Scholarship, University of Nevada, Reno (\$10,000)	2018
Travel & Acommondation Scholarship, Southeast Asia Machine Learning School (SEAML)	2019

# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### Reviewer

Conferences: ICRA (2021)Journals: RA-L (2022)