

# Nicklas Hansen

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## Research Interest

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I am broadly interested in the **generalization** and **adaptation** of autonomous systems. I believe AI in the future should be flexible, learn with little supervision, and learn continuously over their lifetime. I work with **computer vision** and **robotics**.

## Education

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### University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA, USA

Visiting Student, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Spring 2020

- Collider Cup finalist, Innovation Centre Denmark's SPARK winner, Spar Nord scholarship recipient.

### Technical University of Denmark

Kongens Lyngby, Denmark

MS Mathematical Modeling & Computation, cGPA: 10.7/12.0

Feb 2019 - est. Feb 2021

- Special topics in machine learning, supplemented by research projects. Advised by Ole Winther.

### Technical University of Denmark

Kongens Lyngby, Denmark

BS Software Technology, cGPA: 8.2/12.0, final year GPA: 10.8/12.0

Sep 2015 - Dec 2018

- Built a strong foundation in computer science, linear algebra, statistics, calculus, machine learning.

### Nanyang Technological University

Singapore

Exchange Student, GPA: 3.27/4.0

Fall 2017

- A semester devoted to computer vision and cryptography, Otto Mønsted scholarship recipient.

## Experience

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### UC San Diego

San Diego, CA, USA

Visiting Researcher

July 2020 - est. Feb 2021

- Research projects on the generalization of RL agents. Advised by Xiaolong Wang.

### Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research (BAIR)

Berkeley, CA, USA

Graduate Research Intern

Jan 2020 - July 2020

- Supervised by Xiaolong Wang & Lerrel Pinto, advised by Alyosha Efros.

### raffle.ai

Copenhagen, Denmark

Machine Learning Intern

Summer 2019

- I reimplemented a cross-domain text-to-SQL parser in PyTorch and improved its accuracy by 12%.

### Retune DSP

Kongens Lyngby, Denmark

Student Assistant

Feb 2019 - Dec 2019

- I helped a team of engineers build and maintain deep learning pipelines for embedded voice control.

### Nordic Transition

Gentofte, Denmark

Software Developer

Jul 2016 - Dec 2019

- I developed and maintained a data management and analysis platform for the HR industry.

## Teaching

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### Technical University of Denmark

Teaching Assistant

02456 Deep Learning

Fall 2019, Fall 2020

- Significant course material contributions, supervised 50+ students' projects on RL (F19).

### Technical University of Denmark

Teaching Assistant

02454 Introduction to Cognitive Science

Fall 2019

## Publications

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### Self-Supervised Policy Adaptation during Deployment

Available as pre-print

Nicklas Hansen, Yu Sun, Pieter Abbeel, Alexei A. Efros, Lerrel Pinto, Xiaolong Wang

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.04309>

*Pre-print*

2020

### Short Term Blood Glucose Prediction Based on Continuous Glucose Monitoring Data

IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference (EMBC)

Ali Mohebbi, Alexander R. Johansen, Nicklas Hansen, Peter E. Christensen, Jens M. Tarp, Morten L. Jensen, Henrik Bengtsson, Morten Mørup

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.02805>

*Poster*

2020

## Academic Service

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2020 Annual Conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)

2020 SIGNLL Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL)

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## Open-Source Projects

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### Optimization in Deep Learning

• Benchmark of recent deep learning optimization algorithms.

<https://github.com/nicklashansen/neural-net-optimization>

*Dec 2019*

### How to build RNNs and LSTMs from scratch with NumPy

• Educational material on recurrent neural networks.

[https://github.com/nicklashansen/rnn\\_lstm\\_from\\_scratch](https://github.com/nicklashansen/rnn_lstm_from_scratch)

*Oct 2019*

### Minimal Neural Architecture Search

• A minimalistic NAS implementation for educational purposes.

<https://github.com/nicklashansen/minimal-nas>

*Oct 2019*

### Voice Activity Detection in Noisy Environments

• Complete implementation of a VAD system robust to high noise levels.

<https://github.com/nicklashansen/voice-activity-detection>

*Jan 2019*

## International Summer Schools

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### Åbo Akademi

• Development of high-assured autonomous systems

*Turku, Finland*

*Aug 2018*

### Tallinn Technical University

• High-assured autonomous systems

*Tallinn, Estonia*

*Jun 2018*

## Certificates

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### Dansk Standard

• ISO21500 Guidance on Project Management

*Copenhagen, Denmark*

*Jan 2018*

## Technical Skills

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### Programming

Python, C, C#, Java, JavaScript, Matlab, SQL

### Machine Learning

PyTorch, TensorFlow

### Others

Linux, Docker, Git, Azure, AWS, Jupyter Notebooks, MuJoCo, Latex