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## Education

- 08/2020– **Robotics PhD Student**, *Carnegie Mellon University, Robotics Institute.*
- 08/2015– **BS, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science**, *University of California, Berkeley.*
- 05/2019 Cumulative GPA: **3.86/4.0**, Graduated with Honors
- 2015–2019 **Selected Coursework.**  
Robotics, Algorithmic Human-Robot Interaction, Artificial Intelligence, Mechatronic Design, Linear Systems, Nonlinear Systems, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Physics

## Conference Publications

- [4] **R. Pandya\***, S.H. Huang\*, I. Huang\*, A.D. Dragan, “Nonverbal Robot Feedback for Human Teachers,” *CoRL*, 2019 (**oral, acceptance 5.3%**).
- [3] **R. Pandya**, S.H. Huang, D. Hadfield-Menell, A.D. Dragan, “Human-AI Learning Performance in Multi-Armed Bandits,” *AIES*, 2019.
- [2] A. Nagabandi, G. Yang, T.H. Asmar, **R. Pandya**, G. Kahn, S. Levine, R. Fearing, “Learning Image-Conditioned Dynamics Models for Control of Under-Actuated Legged Millirobots,” *IROS*, 2018. (**best paper award finalist**)
- [1] A. Bestick, **R. Pandya**, R. Bajcsy, A.D. Dragan, “Learning Human Ergonomic Preferences for Handovers,” *ICRA*, 2018.

## Awards and Honors

- 2020 **National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship**, (15% acceptance).
- 11/2019 **Oral Presentation at CoRL 2019**, (5.3% acceptance).
- 10/2018 **Best Paper Award Finalist at IROS 2018**, (of 1000 accepted papers).

## Research / Professional Experience

- 09/2019– **Ericsson (Global AI Accelerator)**, *Data Scientist*, Santa Clara, CA.
- 09/2020 Used state-of-the-art multi-agent deep reinforcement learning algorithms to tune parameters in a radio network, shipped production-ready machine learning code for life cycle management of models
- 01/2018– **UC Berkeley Interact Lab**, *PI: Prof. Anca Dragan.*
- 07/2019 Worked on getting humans to be better teachers for robots
- 01/2018– **UC Berkeley Biomimetic Millisystems Lab**, *PI: Prof. Ronald Fearing.*
- 03/2018 Worked on learning dynamics models for underactuated robots
- 11/2016– **UC Berkeley Human-Assistive Robotic Technologies Lab**, *PI: Prof. Ruzena Bajcsy.*
- 09/2017 Worked on learning human ergonomic preferences in human-robot object handovers

## Languages

Robot	Python, MATLAB, C, Java, Ruby, Scheme (Lisp), Linux / command line
Human	English (native), Gujarati (proficient), Japanese (conversational), Hindi (basic)
Frameworks / Libraries	Numpy / Scipy / Pandas, Robot Operating System (ROS), Rllib, OpenRAVE, Simulink, Robot Control Library, PyTorch

\*equal contribution