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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

PhD in Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences

Advisor: Kristofer Pister | Committee: Sergey Levine, Claire Tomlin, Roberto Calandra

Expected - Dec. 2021 | Berkeley, CA

PhD Candidate | GPA: 4.0

Cornell University

BS in Electrical and Computer Engineering

May 2017 | Ithaca, NY

GPA: 4.0

EXPERIENCE

DeepMind | Research Intern

Summer 2021* | Robotics Team | Virtual

Facebook AI Research | Research Intern, Contingent Worker

May 2019-October 2020 | Dr. Roberto Calandra | Robotics Team | Menlo Park, CA

Tesla Motors | Engineering Intern

Summer 2015 | Hardware, Test, & Analysis Team | Palo Alto, CA

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] B. Zhang, R. Rajan, L. Pineda, **Lambert, Nathan**, A. Biedenkapp, K. Chua, F. Hutter, and R. Calandra, "On the importance of hyperparameter optimization for model-based reinforcement learning," *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2021.
 - [2] M. Andrus, S. Dean, T. Gilbert, **Lambert, Nathan**, and T. Zick, "AI development for the public interest: From abstraction traps to sociotechnical risks," *IEEE International Symposium on Technology and Society, 12-15th November, Tempe: Arizona*, 2020.
 - [3] **Lambert, Nathan**, A. Wilcox, H. Zhang, K. Pister, and R. Calandra, "Learning accurate long-term dynamics for model-based reinforcement learning," *Under Review*, 2020.
 - [4] **Lambert, Nathan**, C. Schindler, D. Drew, and K. Pister, "Nonholonomic yaw control of a novel flying robot with model-based reinforcement learning," *Arxiv Preprint: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.01221>*, 2020.
 - [5] **Lambert, Nathan**, F. Toddywala, B. Liao, E. Zhu, L. Lee, and K. Pister, "Learning for microrobot exploration: Model-based locomotion, robust navigation, and low-power deep classification," *International Conference on Manipulation, Automation and Robotics at Small Scales (MARSS)*, 2020.
 - [6] **Lambert, Nathan**, B. Amos, O. Yadan, and R. Calandra, "Objective mismatch in model-based reinforcement learning," *Learning for Decision and Control (L4DC)*, 2020.
 - [7] T. Li, **Lambert, Nathan**, R. Calandra, A. Rai, and F. Meier, "Learning generalizable locomotion skills with hierarchical reinforcement learning," *International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1909.12324>, 2020.
 - [8] **Lambert, Nathan**, D. S. Drew, J. Yaconelli, S. Levine, R. Calandra, and K. S. J. Pister, "Low-level control of a quadrotor with deep model-based reinforcement learning," *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, vol. 4, no. 4, pp. 4224-4230, 2019.
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- [10] K. B. Vinayakumar, V. Gund, **Lambert, Nathan**, S. Lodha, and A. Lal, "Enhanced lithium niobate pyroelectric ionizer for chip-scale ion mobility-based gas sensing," *Proceedings of IEEE Sensors*, no. 1, pp. 3–5, 2017.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Graduate

- 2018 NDSEG Graduate Research Fellowship Program Top 200
- 2018 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention
- 2017 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention

Undergraduate

- 2017 Cornell Rowing Charles E. Courtney Award
- 2016 Tau Beta Pi Scholarship
- 2016 Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance STEM Scholarship II
- 2016 Cornell Athletics 400 Club Induction
- 2015 Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance STEM Scholarship I
- 2015 Tau Beta Pi Induction
- 2015 Eta Kappa Nu Induction
- 2014 American Society of Engineering Education SMART Scholar Award

TEACHING

Graduate

- Fall 2020 Teaching Assistant for CS188: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Summer 2020 Teaching Assistant for CS188: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Spring 2020 **Instructor for CS188: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence**
- Fall 2019 Teaching Assistant for EE 16B: Designing Information Devices and Systems II

Undergraduate

- Spring 2017 Grader for ECE 4320: Integrated Micro Sensors and Actuators
- Fall 2016 Teaching Assistant for ECE 3250: Mathematics of Signal and System Analysis

INVITED TALKS

- March 2021 Cornell Robotics Seminar, *Virtual*.

PEER REVIEW

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2020 • International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2021 • Conference on Robot Learning (CORL) 2020 • Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L) 2019, 2020 • International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2021, 2020 • Transactions on Cybernetics 2020

SERVICE

Graduate

- Fall 2020 Founder of UC Berkeley EECS Equal Access to Application Assistance (EAAA) Program
- Fall 2020 Wellness Coordinator: UC Berkeley Electrical Engineering Graduate Student Assembly (EEGSA)
- Fall 2017 Bay Area Scientists in Schools

Undergraduate

- Fall 2016 Cornell *Splash!* Program (with Eta Kappa Nu Honors Society)
- July 2016 CATALYST Summer Engineering Diversity Program
- 2015-2017 Big Red Leadership Institute

EXTRACURRICULARS

Cornell Varsity Lightweight Rowing | Student-Athlete
2013-2017 | Coach Chris Kerber | Cornell University | Ithaca, NY

Berkeley Lightweight Crew | Novice Rowing Coach
2017-2018 | University of California, Berkeley | Berkeley, CA