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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Deep Reinforcement Learning, Generalization, Fast Adaptation, Never-Ending Learning

EDUCATION

New York University, NY, USA

Sep 2016 - Present

PhD Candidate in Computer Science

Advisor: Rob Fergus

Princeton University, NJ, USA

Sep 2012 - June 2016

A.B. in Astrophysical Sciences, *magna cum laude*

Certificates: Statistics and Machine Learning, Applications of Computing

Thesis: Clustering Redshift Estimation for the Hyper Suprime-Cam Survey

Advisor: Michael Strauss

PUBLICATIONS

Raileanu R, Fergus R, Decoupling Value and Policy for Generalization in Reinforcement Learning, *ICML*, 2021 (**oral**).

Campero A, **Raileanu R**, Heinrich K, Tenenbaum J, Rocktäschel T, Grefenstette E, Learning with AMIGo: Adversarially Motivated Intrinsic Goals, *ICLR*, 2021.

Raileanu R, Goldstein M, Yarats D, Kostrikov I, Fergus R, Automatic Data Augmentation for Generalization in Deep Reinforcement Learning, *Inductive Biases, Invariances, and Generalization in Reinforcement Learning Workshop, ICML*, 2020 (**oral**).

Raileanu R, Goldstein M, Szlam A, Fergus R, Fast Adaptation to New Environments via Policy-Dynamics Value Functions, *ICML 2020 and Beyond "Tabula Rasa" in Reinforcement Learning Workshop, ICLR*, 2020 (**oral**).

Raileanu R, Rocktäschel T, RIDE: Rewarding Impact-Driven Exploration for Procedurally-Generated Environments, *ICLR*, 2020.

Heinrich K, Nardelli N, Miller A, **Raileanu R**, Selvatici M, Grefenstette E, Rocktäschel T, The NetHack Learning Environment, *NeurIPS*, 2020.

Resnick C*, **Raileanu R***, Kapoor S, Peysakhovich A, Cho K, Bruna J, Backplay: "Man Muss Immer Umkehren", *Reinforcement Learning in Games Workshop, AAAI*, 2019.

Raileanu R, Denton E, Szlam A, Fergus R, Modeling Others using Oneself in Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning, *ICML*, 2018.

Raileanu R, Szlam A, Fergus R, Modeling Other Agents' Hidden States in Deep Reinforcement Learning, *Emergent Communication Workshop, NeurIPS*, 2017.

Kim CK, Ostriker EC, **Raileanu R**, Superbubbles in the Multiphase ISM and the Loading of Galactic Winds, *The Astrophysical Journal*, 2016.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- DeepMind, London, UK** Jan 2021 - Jun 2021
Research Intern
Advisor: Max Jaderberg
- Facebook AI Research, London, UK** June - Sep 2019
Research Intern
Developed a new algorithm for exploration in sparse reward procedurally-generated environments.
Advisor: Tim Rocktäschel
- Microsoft Research, Cambridge, UK** June - Aug 2018
Research Intern
Researched methods for zero-shot and few-shot generalization in multi-agent settings.
Advisors: Katja Hofmann, Sam Devlin
- Facebook AI Research, New York, USA** June - Aug 2017
Research Intern
Researched methods for modeling other agents in semi-cooperative reinforcement learning settings.
Advisor: Arthur Szlam
- Princeton University, Princeton, USA** June - Aug 2015
Undergraduate Researcher
Developed 3D hydrodynamical simulations of supernovae in the multiphase interstellar medium.
Advisors: Eve Ostriker, Chang-Goo Kim
- Princeton University, Princeton, USA** Feb - May 2015
Undergraduate Researcher
Implemented and evaluated machine learning techniques for the prediction of stellar rotation periods.
Advisor: Timothy Morton
- ETH, Zürich, Switzerland** Jun - Aug 2014
Research Intern
Created Monte Carlo simulations for exoplanet detection with the James Webb Space Telescope.
Advisor: Michael Meyer
- Max Planck for Extraterrestrial Physics, Garching, Germany** Jun - Aug 2013
Research Intern
Developed N-Body simulations and theoretical models of the Milky Way Galaxy.
Advisor: Ortwin Gerhard

HONORS & AWARDS

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| Rising Stars in EECS | 2020 |
| Sigma Xi: Scientific Research Honor Society | 2016 |
| Bell Burnell Award for Early Career Female Physicist | 2013 |
| Silver and Bronze Medals at the International Physics Olympiad | 2011, 2012 |
| Gold Medal at the International Astrophysics Olympiad | 2011 |
| Silver Medal at Tuymaada International Olympiad in Physics | 2010 |

ORGANIZING

Unsupervised Reinforcement Learning Workshop at ICML 2021

REVIEWING EXPERIENCE

2021: ICML, NeurIPS

2020: ICLR, UAI, NeurIPS, ICML LAOW Workshop, IEEE

2019: ICLR, ICML, NeurIPS, ICML I3 Workshop

2018: ICLR, ICML

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Aaron Roth, PhD Project, UMD - *representation learning for reinforcement learning* 2020

Chang Ye, MS Project, NYU - *generalization and adaptation to new environments* 2020

Srikar Yellapragada, MS Thesis, NYU (now Bloomberg) - *reinforcement learning for translation* 2019

Chandra Konkimalla, MS Project, NYU (now Amazon) - *learning from demonstrations* 2019

Zeping Zhan, MS Project, NYU (now Kooick) - *multi-agent learning in social dilemmas* 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

African Master's of Machine Intelligence (AMMI), Kigali, Rwanda March 2019

RELEVANT SKILLS

PyTorch, Tensorflow, Lua Torch, Python, Java, Matlab, R, C++, OCaml