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### Interests

Embodied Artificial Intelligence, Embodied Multimodal Foundation Models, Data-Driven Robot Learning, Behavior Synthesis

### Positions

Adjunct Professor, <a href="#">Robotics Institute, CMU</a>	Jan'23 - Now
FAIR-MetaAI, Research Scientist (mentor: <a href="#">Abhinav Gupta</a> )	Nov'20 - Apr'23
Assistant Professor, DIRO, Université de Montréal+CIFAR chair nomination + associate faculty, <a href="#">Mila</a>	(declined)
Google Brain, Research Scientist (mentor: <a href="#">Vincent Vanhoucke</a> )	Feb'18 - Aug'19
OpenAI, Member of technical staff (mentor: <a href="#">Elon Musk</a> )	Apr'17 - Oct'17

### Entrepreneurship

MyoLab.ai, Co-Founder, CEO	May'23 - Now
Roboti LLC, Founding Member (startup: acquired by DeepMind)	Jan'12 - Nov'20

### Education

University of Berkeley, Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research Lab (BAIR), Postdoctoral scholar	Oct'17 - Jan'18
University of Washington, Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering	Feb'13 - Feb'17
University of Washington, M.S. in Computer Science and Engineering	Sep'10 - Feb'13
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur, M.S. in Mathematics and Computing	July'09 - Apr'10
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur, B.S. in Mathematics and Computing	July'05 - Apr'09

### Honors And Awards

<b>Early Career Keynote Speaker</b> at the Conference of Robot Learning	2024
<b>Young Alumnus Award</b> , IIT-Kharagpur	2024
<b>Canada CIFAR AI Chair Award</b> (declined)	2020
<b>Google Cloud Research Award</b>	2019
<b>Best Master's Thesis Award</b> , Dept. of Mathematics and Computing, IIT Kharagpur	2010
<b>All-Round Excellence Award</b> , IIT-Kharagpur (Ankik Dhar Memorial)	2010
<b>IIT Merit Scholarship</b> for Master's studies	2009
<b>All-Round Excellence Award</b> , Nehru, IIT Kharagpur (Spirit Of Nehru Award)	2009, 2010
<b>Early Excellence Award</b> , Nehru, IIT Kharagpur (Budding Spirit Award)	2007
<b>Inter-IIT Sports Scholarship</b> , IIT Kharagpur	2006
<b>IIT Merit Scholarship</b> for undergraduate studies	2005-2009

### Paper Awards

<b>Best Paper Award</b> at IEEE, ICRA	2024
<b>Best Paper Award Finalist</b> in Robot Manipulation at IEEE, ICRA	2024
<b>Best Paper Presentation Award</b> at CoRL in Robot Learning Workshop	2023
<b>Best Paper Award</b> at ICRA in the Scaling Robot Learning Workshop	2022
<b>Best Paper Award</b> in Manipulation at IEEE, ICRA	2016
<b>Best Project Award</b> at Industry Affiliates Symposium, UW (Viewer's choice award)	2013

### Select Media Coverage

- [The New Yorker](#): A Revolution in How Robots Learn. Dec 2024
- [IEEE Spectrum](#): Learn to Move by Copying Toddlers. Aug 2023
- [TechCrunch](#), [IEEE Spectrum](#), [HackADay](#), [CMU](#): [RoboAgent](#): A universal agent with diverse manipulation skills. Aug2023
- [Tech@Meta](#), [Engadget](#), [Gizmodo](#), [Yahoo](#), [Economic Times](#), [CNET](#): MyoSuite: Embodied AI platform that unifies neural & motor intelligence. May2022
- [VentureBeat](#): Google AI researchers want to teach robots tasks through self-supervised reverse engineering. May2020
- [CNN](#): Google shows off far-flung AI research projects. Jan2020
- [VentureBeat](#): Google's robotic hand AI can learn to rotate Baoding balls with minimal training data. Sept2019
- [The New York Times](#): Inside Google's Rebooted Robotics Program. Mar2019
- [Columns](#): Inventing the future: A 'new landmark' for computer science and engineering. Feb2019
- [NeuroHive](#): A Robot To Use Fingers Like Human Oct2019
- [The New York Times](#): How robot hands are evolving to do what ours do. July2018
- [New Atlas](#): Bridging the gap between science and fiction. Dec2016
- [Communications of the ACM](#): Hand Jive: A Robot Hand Learns to Spin. Aug2016
- [Reuters](#): Robot hand gets a human touch. May2016
- [Wired](#): This dexterous robot can teach itself to spin a tube of coffee beans. May2016
- [Business Insider](#): Researchers created a robotic hand that is eerily human-like and can learn on its own. May2016

- MIT Tech Review: ADROIT featured in TR35. 2016
- UW360: A robotic hand that can move like a human hand, Aug2016
- ScienceDaily: This 5-fingered robot hand learns to get a grip on its own. May2016
- Engadget: Robot hand learns to twirl objects on its own. May2016
- GeekWire: UW team creates a robotic hand that learns to become more dexterous than yours. May2016
- Gizmodo: This Robot's Teaching Itself to Twirl a Stick. May2016
- UWToday: This five-fingered robot hand learns to get a grip on its own. May2016
- UW CSE News: UW CSE robot hand teaches itself to manipulate objects. May2016
- CNN: The superhuman robot hand that learns from its mistakes. May2016
- Tech Insider: Researchers created a robotic hand that is eerily human-like and can learn on its own. May2016
- Indian Express: Five-fingered robot hand learns to get a grip on its own. May2016
- UK's Daily Mirror: Incredible five-fingered robotic hand has the ability to learn from its own experiences. May2016
- Economic Times: Five-fingered robot hand learns to get a grip on its own. May2016
- ZDNet: Five-fingered robot hand has a mind of its own. May2016
- Kurzweil: This five-fingered robot hand is close to human in functionality. May2016
- Most significant bit: Adroit: The robot hand for which practice makes perfect. UW-CSE, Summer'16
- Futurism: This five-fingered robot hand is nimbler than your own. May2016
- Hackaday: Robot cheerleader just needs a hand to learn basic tricks. May2016
- Design: Five-fingered robot hand that learns tasks on its own. May2016
- Interesting engineering: Robotic Hands that Teach Themselves to Move. May2016
- FoxNews: Cool robot hand learns as it goes. May2016
- IEEE Spectrum: Next-Gen Prosthetic Limbs in Simulation and Reality. Feb2015
- UW CSE News: People's choice award. Oct2013
- The New York Times: A robot with a delicate touch. Sep2012
- The Daily: UW programmers create software for disaster response robot. Nov2012

#### Invited Talks (excluding conference/workshop paper presentations)

- Medical Rehab Resource Network, National Institute of Health, C-Start Chicago, May'25
- IIT-Chennai, Robotics – the future is anything but optimal, Mar'2025
- ICRA'24, Sim2Real beyond robotics, May'24
- ICRA'24, Physiological Embodied Intelligence, May'24
- ICRA'23, MyoSuite 2.0: Towards generalizable Physiological Agents. May'23
- HHMI Janelia Research, Is Brain in the business of making decisions? June'23
- ICRA'22, London. MyoSuite 2.0: Towards generalizable Physiological Agents. May'23
- IIT-Delhi, Building foundation models to parent robots. Jan'23
- MIT. CSL seminar. Physiological Motor Control, Sept'22
- CMU brAIn seminar. Physiological Motor Control, Sept'22
- MIT. CSL seminar. Rethinking Dexterous Manipulation, Sept'22
- University of Montreal. Learning at your Fingertips, Aug'20
- Facebook AI Research. Learning at your Fingertips, June'20
- Univ. of Texas, Austin. Learning at your Fingertips, May'20
- ADSI summer school: Algorithmic Foundations on Learning and Control, Aug'19
- Univ. Of Washington: Guest lecture in Deep Reinforcement Learning class, May'18
- IIT-Delhi: Recent realizations in Robotic Learning, Oct'17
- OpenAI: Learning Dexterous Manipulation in the real world, Dec'16
- DeepMind: Learning Dexterous Manipulation via Experience and Imitation, Dec'16
- Google-Brain: Learning Dexterous Manipulation in High-Dimensional spaces, Dec'16
- Kindred: Learning Dexterous Manipulation via Experience and Imitation, Dec'16
- Vicarious: Learning Dexterous Manipulation via Experience and Imitation, Dec'16
- Oculus Research, Redmond: Manipulators and Manipulation in High Dimensional Spaces, Mar'16
- MIT, CSAIL: Towards dexterous hand manipulation, Sept'15
- Harvard: Towards Dexterous Hand Manipulation, Sept'15
- Microsoft Research, Redmond: Real-time synthesis of hand manipulation via Dimensionality Augmentation, Feb'14

#### Thesis

Ph.D. : Manipulators and Manipulation in High-Dimensional Spaces

Advisor: [Dr. Emanuel Todorov](#), Applied Math & CSE, Univ. of Washington, USA

[Dr. Sergey Levine](#), EECS, Univ. of California, Berkeley, USA

M.S. : Fuzzy Genetic Algorithms(FGA) (**BEST M.S. THESIS AWARD**)

Advisor: [Prof. Debjani Chakraborty](#), Dept. of Mathematics, IIT Kharagpur

B.S. : New Genetic Algorithm-based multi-objective optimization algorithm(NMGA)

Advisor: [Prof. Nirupam Chakraborty](#), Head of Dept. of Metallurgical & Materials Engineering, IIT-Kharagpur

#### Students Mentored

- Patrick Lancaster, Post Doc under Vikash Kumar (me) at FAIR, MetaAI.(Sept'22-now)
- Tony Zhao, Ph.D. in CS under Prof. Chelsea Finn at Stanford University. (June'22-July'23)
- Rutav Shah, Ph.D. University of Texas at Austin under Yuke Zhu. (May'20-July'23)
- Homanga Bharadhwaj, Ph.D. in RI CMU under Abhinav Gupta and Shubham Tulsiani (Aug' 22- July' 23)
- Sudeep Dasari, Ph.D. in RI CMU under Abhinav Gupta (Aug'21-July'23)
- Raunag Bhirangi, Ph.D. in RI CMU under Abhinav Gupta and Carmel Majidi. (Jun'22-Jan'23)
- Gaoyue (Kathy) Zhou, MS in Robotics CMU under Abhinav Gupta (Jun'21-)
- Jason Ma, Ph.D. in University of Pennsylvania, Osbert Bastani, and Dinesh Jayaraman (Jun'22-May'23)
- Zoey Chen, Ph.D. student in University of Washington under Dieter Fox and Abhishek Gupta (Jun'21-Jun'22)
- Liyiming (Kay) Ke, Ph.D in CSE, UW under Siddhartha Srinivasa and Byron Boots (Jun'21-Jun'22)
- Mandi Zhao, Ph.D in CSE, Columbia University under Prof. Shuram Song. (summer'22)
- Suraj Nair, Ph.D. in CS under Prof. Chelsea Finn and Prof. Silvio Savarese at Stanford University. (June'21-Dec'21)
- Alla Zhou, Ph.D. in CS under Prof. Chelsea Finn at Stanford University. (June'21-Dec'21)
- Abhishek Gupta, Ph.D. in EECS under Prof. Sergey Levine and Prof. Pieter Abbeel at UC Berkeley. (Apr'19-Dec'21)
- Aravind Rajeshwaran, Ph.D. in CS under Prof. Sham Kakade and Prof. Emo Todorov at U of Washington. (Apr'16-Dec'20)
- Anusha Nagabandi, Ph.D. in EECS under Prof. Sergey Levine and Prof. Ron Fearing at UC Berkeley. (Sept'18-Aug'19)
- Suraj Nair, Ph.D. in CS under Prof. Chelsea Finn and Prof. Silvio Savarese at Stanford University. (June'18-Sept'19)
- Kristian Hartikainen, now pursuing Ph.D. under Prof. Shimon Whiteson at the University of Oxford
- Dibya Ghosh, Bachelor's in EECS at UC Berkeley, (starting Ph.D. at UC Berkeley 2020)
- Arshit Sharma B. Tech in Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur. (Ph.D applicant 2020)
- Henry Zhu, Bachelor's in EECS at UC Berkeley. (Ph.D applicant 2020)
- Visak CV, Master's in ME, University of Washington (Mar'15-Aug'16) (Pursuing Ph.D. at Georgia Tech under Dr. C. Karen Liu)
- Kaiyu Zheng, Bachelor's in CS, University of Washington (Pursuing Ph.D. in at Brown University, under Prof. Stefanie Tellex )
- Dylan Holmes, Bachelor's in Computer Science, University of Washington (Jul'14-Mar'16)
- Anselm Nicklas, Visiting student, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Technische Universität München, Germany

## Achievements

### Awards

- Gold, Open hardware, KSHITIJ'09- Asia's largest techno-management Fest
- Most industrially feasible, Techkriti'09, IIT Kanpur
- Silver, Open hardware, KSHITIJ'08, IIT Kharagpur
- Gold, Geobotics, Great Step'08, IIT Kharagpur
- Gold in Inter-hall Hardware modeling '07, IIT Kharagpur
- Silver in Inter-hall Hardware modeling '08, IIT Kharagpur
- Bronze, Robotic Water-polo, KSHITIJ'06, IIT Kharagpur
- Gold, Inter-hall Product design '06, IIT Kharagpur
- Bronze, Inter-hall ad-design'09, IIT Kharagpur
- Several state/district-level awards in Hockey, Volleyball, Fine Arts

### Grants

- DeepMind Sponsorship Grant for MyoChallenge, 2023, 2024
- Google Cloud Research Grant 2022, 2023
- NSF Student Travel Grant, 2014
- Center for Neuroscience Travel Grant, Univ. of Washington, 2012, 2014, 2015

## Service And Leadership

- Area Chair
  - Conference of Robot Learning, 2025
- Associate Editor
  - IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) - 2019, 2021, 2023
  - Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) - 2021
  - IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) - 2021, 2022, 2023
- Organizing Committee
  - MyoSymposium: 2022, 2023, 2024,
  - MyoChallenge: 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
  - Robotics Science and Systems Workshop, What did we learn from the DARPA Robotics Challenge, June 2013
  - University of Washington, Robotics Colloquium, 2014
- Conference program Committee / Reviewer
  - Robotics Science and Systems, 2020
  - IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), 2019
  - Science, 2018
  - IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
  - Mechatronics, 2018
  - IROS 2014, 2017
- Grant Committee
  - Dutch Research Council, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research, 2020
- Admissions Committee
  - Computer science graduate admissions committee, University of Washington, 2013, 2014
- Position of Responsibilities
  - Vice President, Dept. of Mathematics 08- 09, IIT Kharagpur
  - Chief Editor, AWAAZ – campus monthly newsletter 06- '09
  - Member of Kharagpur Robotics & Artificial Intelligence Group (KRAIG)

## Select Publications

(full list at [Google Scholar](#) )

- Semantically Controllable Augmentations for Generalizable Robot Learning. Zoey Chen, Zhao Mandi, Homanga Bharadhwaj, Mohit Sharma, S Song, Abhishek Gupta, Vikash Kumar. International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR) 2024
- HOPMan: Towards generalizable zero-shot manipulation via translating human interaction plans. Homanga Bharadhwaj, {Abhinav Gupta\*, Vikash Kumar\*, Shubham Tulsiani\*}. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2024. IEEE ICRA **Best Paper Award Finalist in Robot Manipulation**
- RoboAgent: Generalization & efficiency in robot manipulation via semantic augmentations and action chunking. Homanga Bharadhwaj, Jay Vakil, Mohit Sharma, Abhinav Gupta, Shubham Tulsiani, Vikash Kumar. IEEE International Conference on Robotics & Automation (ICRA) 2024. Robot Learning Workshop - CoRL 2023 | **Outstanding Presentation Award**
- RoboHive: A Unified Framework for Robot Learning. Vikash Kumar, Rutav Shah, Gaoyue Zhou, Vincent Moens, Vittorio Caggiano, Abhishek Gupta, Aravind Rajeswaran. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2023
- Open X-Embodiment: Robotic Learning Datasets and RT-X Models. Open X-Embodiment Collaboration. Conference of robot learning (CoRL) 2024. IEEE ICRA **Best Paper Award**
- D'Manus: All the Feels - a dexterous hand with large area sensing. Raunaq Bhirangi, Abigail DeFranco, Jacob Adkins, Carmel Majidi, Abhinav Gupta, Tess Hellebrekers, Vikash Kumar
- MoDem-V2: Visuo-Motor World Models for Real-World Robot Manipulation. Patrick Lancaster, Nicklas Hansen, Aravind Rajeswaran, Vikash Kumar. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2024
- TorchRL: A data-driven decision-making library for PyTorch. Albert Bou, Matteo Bettini, S Dittert, Vikash Kumar, Shagun Sodhani, Xiaomeng Yang, Gianni De Fabritiis, Vincent Moens. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2024
- MyoDex: Generalizable Representations for Dexterous Physiological Manipulation. Vittorio Caggiano, Sudeep Dasari, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2023
- LIV: Language-Image Representations and Rewards for Robotic Control. Jason Ma, Vikash Kumar, Amy Zhang, Osbert Bastani, Dinesh Jayaraman. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2023
- SAR: Generalization of Dexterity via Synergistic Action Representation. Cameron Berg, Vittorio Caggiano, Vikash Kumar. Proceedings of Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) 2023
- ACT: Learning Fine-Grained Bimanual Manipulation with Low-Cost Hardware. Tony Zhao, Vikash Kumar, Sergey Levine, Chelsea Finn. Proceedings of Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) 2023
- Visual Dexterity: In-hand Dexterous Manipulation from Depth. Tao Chen, Megha Tippur, Siyang Wu, Vikash Kumar, Edward Adelson, Pulkit Agrawal. Science Robotics 2023
- GenAug: Retargeting behaviors to unseen situations via Generative Augmentation. Zoey Chen, Sho Kiami, Abhishek Gupta, Vikash Kumar. Proceedings of Robotics: Science and Systems (RSS) 2023
- H2R: Zero-Shot Robot Manipulation from Passive Human Videos. Homanga Bharadhwaj, Abhinav Gupta, {Shubham Tulsiani\*, Vikash Kumar\*}. Pretraining for Robotics workshop at ICRA 2023
- Dexterous Manipulation from Images: Autonomous Real-World RL via Substep Guidance. K Xu, Z Hu, R Doshi, A Rovinsky, Vikash Kumar, Abhishek Gupta, Sergey Levine. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2023
- MoDem: Accelerating Visual Model-Based Reinforcement Learning with Demonstrations. Nicklas Hansen, Yixin Lin, Hao Su, Xiaolong Wang, Vikash Kumar, Aravind Rajeswaran. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2023
- Reboot: Reuse data for bootstrapping efficient, real-world, dexterous manipulation. Zheyuan Hu, Aaron Rovinsky, Jianlan Luo, Vikash Kumar, Abhishek Gupta, Sergey Levine. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2023

- Real World Offline Reinforcement Learning with Realistic Data Source. Gaoyue Zhou\*, Liyiming Ke\*, Siddhartha Srinivasa, Abhinav Gupta, Aravind Rajeswaran, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2023
- VIP: Towards Universal Visual Reward and Representation via Value-Implicit Pre-Training. J Ma, S Sodhani, D Jayaraman, O Bastani, {Vikash Kumar\*, Amy Zhang\*}. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR-**Spotlight**) 2023
- Learning Dexterous Manipulation from Exemplar Object Trajectories and Pre-Grasps. Sudeep Dasari, Abhinav Gupta, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2023
- CACTI: A Framework for Scalable Multi-Task Multi-Scene Visual Imitation Learning. Zhao Mandi, Homanga Bharadhwaj, Vincent Moens, Shuran Song, Aravind Rajeswaran, Vikash Kumar. Workshop on Pre-training Robot Learning, CORL 2022
- Translating Robot Skills: Learning Unsupervised Skill Correspondences Across Robots. T Shankar, Y Lin, A Rajeswaran, V Kumar, S Anderson, J Oh. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2022
- Cross-Domain Transfer via Semantic Skill Imitation. Karl Pertsch, Ruta Desai, Vikash Kumar, Franziska Meier, Joseph J. Lim, Dhruv Batra, Akshara Rai. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL), 2022
- R3M: A Universal Visual Representation for Robot Manipulation. Suraj Nair, Aravind Rajeswaran, Vikash Kumar, Chelsea Finn, Abhinav Gupta. Conf. on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2022, **Best Paper Award**, Scaling Robot Learning Workshop ICRA'22
- Can Foundation Models Perform Zero-Shot Task Specification For Robot Manipulation? Yuchen Cui, Scott Niekum, Abhinav Gupta, Vikash Kumar and Aravind Rajeswaran. Learning for Decision and Control (L4DC) 2022. **Best Paper Award finalist**, Scaling Robot Learning Workshop Robotics Science and Systems RSS'22
- MyoSuite: A contact-rich simulation suite for musculoskeletal motor control. Vittorio Caggiano, Huawei Wang, Guillaume Durandau, Massimo Sartori, Vikash Kumar. Learning for Decision and Control (L4DC) 2022
- MyoSim: A contact-rich simulation suite for musculoskeletal motor control. Vittorio Caggiano, Huawei Wang, Guillaume Durandau, Massimo Sartori, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2022
- RB2: Robotic Manipulation Benchmarking with a Twist. S Dasari, J Wang, J Hong, S Bahl, Y Lin, A Wang, A Thankaraj, K Chahal, B Calli, S Gupta, D Held, L Pinto, D Pathak, Vikash Kumar, Abhinav Gupta. NeurIPS 2021
- RRL: Resnet as representation for Reinforcement Learning. Rutav Shah, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2021
- Reset-Free Reinforcement Learning via Multi-Task Learning. Abhishek Gupta\*, Justin Yu\*, Tony Z. Zhao\*, Vikash Kumar\*, Aaron R., Kelvin Xu, Thomas Devlin, Sergey Levine. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2021
- A Game Theoretic Perspective of Model-Based Reinforcement Learning. Aravind Rajeswaran, Igor Mordatch, Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) 2020
- Emergent Real-World Robotic Skills via Unsupervised Off-Policy Reinforcement Learning. Archit Sharma, Michael Ahn, Vikash Kumar, Sergey Levine, Karol Housman, Shane Gu. Robotics Science and Systems (RSS) 2020
- Time Reversal as Self-Supervision. Suraj Nair, Mohammad B., Chelsea Finn, Sergey Levine, Vikash Kumar. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2020
- Dynamics-Aware Unsupervised Discovery of Skills. Archit Sharma, Shixiang Gu, Sergey Levine, Vikash Kumar, Karol Hausman. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2020
- Ingredients of Real World Robotics Reinforcement Learning. Henry Zhu, Justin Yu, Dhruv Shah, Abhishek Gupta, Vikash Kumar, Sergey Levine. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2020
- Benchmarking In-Hand Manipulation. Silvia Cruciani, Balakumar Sundaralingam, Kaiyu Hang, Vikash Kumar, Tucker Hermans, Danica Kragic. IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RAL) 2020
- Deep Dynamics Models for Learning Dexterous Manipulations. Anusha Nagabandi, Kurt Konolige, Sergey Levine, Vikash Kumar. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2019
- ROBEL: Robotics Benchmarks for Learning. Michael Ahn, Henry Zhu, Kristian Hartikainen, Hugo Ponte, Abhishek Gupta, Sergey Levine, Vikash Kumar. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2019
- Multi-Agent Manipulation via Locomotion using Hierarchical Sim2Real. Ofir Nachum, Michael Ahn, Hugo Ponte, Shane Gu, Vikash Kumar. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2019
- Relay Policy Learning: Solving Long-Horizon Tasks via Imitation and Reinforcement Learning. Abhishek Gupta, Vikash Kumar, Corey Lynch, Sergey Levine, Karol Hausman. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2019
- Learning Latent Plans from Play. Corey Lynch, Mohi Khansari, Ted Xiao, Vikash Kumar, Jonathan Tompson, Sergey Levine, Pierre Sermanet. Conference on Robot Learning (CoRL) 2019
- Dexterous Manipulation with Deep Reinforcement Learning: Efficient, General, and Low-Cost. Henry Zhu\*, Abhishek Gupta\*, Aravind Rajeswaran, Sergey L., Vikash Kumar. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2019
- Learning Deep Visuo-motor Policies for Dexterous Hand Manipulation. Divye Jain, Andrew Li, Shivam Singhal, Aravind Rajeswaran, Vikash Kumar, Emanuel Todorov. International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2019
- Learning Complex Dexterous Manipulation with Deep Reinforcement Learning and Demonstrations. Rajeswaran A, Kumar V, Gupta A, Schulman J, Todorov E and Levine S. Robotics Science and Systems (RSS) 2019
- Divide-and-Conquer Reinforcement Learning. Ghosh D, Singh A, Rajeswaran A, Kumar V, Levine S. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2018
- Variance Reduction for Policy Gradient with Action-Dependent Factorized Baselines. Wu C., Rajeswaran A., Duan Y., Kumar V, Bayen A, Kakade S, Mordatch I, Abbeel . International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2018
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- MuJoCo Haptix: A virtual reality system for hand manipulation. Kumar V, Todorov E. IEEE-RAS International Conference on Humanoid Robots (Humanoids) 2015
- Real-time behavior synthesis for dynamic hand manipulation. Kumar V, Tassa Y, Erez T, Todorov E. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2014
- STAC: Simultaneous Tracking And Calibration. Wu T, Tassa Y, Kumar V, Movellan J, Todorov E. Humanoids 2013



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- A low cost and modular, 20 dof anthropomorphic robotic hand: Design, Actuation and Modelling. Zhe X, Kumar V, Todorov E. IEEE-RAS International Conference on Humanoid Robots (Humanoids) 2013
- Synthesis of Complex Behaviors with Optimal Control. Todorov E, Tassa Y, Erez T, Mordatch I, Kulchenko P, Kumar V Computational and Systems Neuroscience (COSYNE) 2013
- Fast, strong and compliant pneumatic actuation for dexterous tendon-driven hands. Kumar V, Todorov E. IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA) 2013
- Design of an anthropomorphic robotic finger system with biomimetic artificial joints. Zhe X, Kumar V, Matsuoka Y, Todorov E. IEEE International Conference on Biomedical Robotics and Bio mechatronics (BioRob) 2012
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- Dr. Sergey Levine, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, Univ. of California, Berkeley
- Dr. Emo Todorov, Associate Professor, Applied Mathematics, Computer Science & Engineering, Univ. of Washington, Seattle
- Dr. Pieter Abbeel, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences, Univ. of California, Berkeley
- Dr. Dieter Fox, Professor, Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science & Engineering, Univ. of Washington, Seattle
- Dr. Abhinav Gupta, Associate Professor, The Robotics Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh