

# Aishwarya Mandyam

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## Education

### Stanford University, Stanford CA

- PhD Computer Science, Advised by Barbara Engelhardt and Emma Brunskill 09/2022-

### Princeton University, Princeton NJ

- PhD Computer Science, Advised by Barbara Engelhardt (left program) 08/2020–05/2022

### University of Washington, Seattle WA

- M.S Computer Science 09/2019–06/2020
  - Advised by Luis Ceze, Jeff Nivala, and Kevin Jamieson
- B.S Computer Science, B.A Philosophy 09/2015–06/2019

## Research Interests

Reinforcement learning, machine learning for healthcare, Bayesian statistics

## Peer Reviewed Publications

[“Kernel Density Bayesian Inverse Reinforcement Learning”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Didong Li, Diana Cai, Andrew Jones, Barbara E. Engelhardt. *To appear in Transactions of Machine Learning Research (TMLR)*

[“Adaptive Interventions with User-Defined Goals for Health Behavior Change”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Matthew Joerke, Barbara Engelhardt, Emma Brunskill. *Conference on Health Inference and Learning (CHIL) 2024*.

[“Compositional Q-learning for electrolyte repletion with imbalanced patient sub-populations,”](#) **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Andrew Jones, Jiayu Yao, Krzysztof Laudanski, Barbara E. Engelhardt. *Proceedings of the 3rd Machine Learning for Health symposium 2023*, **Best paper award honorable mention**

[“Guiding Efficient, Effective, and Patient-Oriented Electrolyte Replacement in Critical Care: An Artificial Intelligence Reinforcement Learning Approach”](#), Niranjani Prasad\*, **Aishwarya Mandyam\***, Corey Chivers, Michael Draugelis, C. William Hanson III, Barbara E. Engelhardt, Krzysztof Laudanski. *Journal of Precision Medicine*

[“COP-F-CAT: Cleaning and Organization Pipeline for EHR Computational and Analytic Tasks”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Jeff Soules, Elizabeth Yoo, Krzysztof Laudanski, Barbara E. Engelhardt. *ACM Conference on Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, and Health Informatics 2021*

[“Porcupine: Rapid and robust tagging of physical objects using nanopore-orthogonal DNA strands”](#) Katie Doroschak, Karen Zhang, Melissa Queen, **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Karin Strauss, Jeff Nivala, Luis Ceze. *Nature Communications 2020*. **UW Madrona Prize Runner-up**

## Short Papers/Posters

“Adaptive Interventions with User-Defined Goals for Health Behavior Change”, **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Matthew Joerke, Barbara Engelhardt, Emma Brunskill. *Machine Learning for Health symposium 2023* findings track.

[“Estimating Influential Samples in the Fragile Families Challenge”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Siena Dumas Ang, Barbara E. Engelhardt. *NeurIPS Women in Machine Learning Workshop 2020*

[“Molecular Matchmaker: selecting peptide-aptamer binding pairs using machine learning”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Yuhao Wan, Luis Ceze, Jeff Nivala, Kevin Jamieson. *Machine Learning in Computational Biology 2020*, **Invited for Oral Presentation**

“Reducing Identification Time in a Molecular Tagging System”, **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Katie Doroschak, Karen Zhang, Melissa Queen, Karin Strauss, Jeff Nivala, Luis Ceze. *Grace Hopper Conference 2019*, **ACM Student Research Award 2nd Place**

## Under Review

[“CANDOR: Counterfactual ANnotated DOubly Robust off-policy evaluation”](#), **Aishwarya Mandyam**, Shengpu Tang, Jiayu Yao, Jenna Wiens, Barbara E. Engelhardt.

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## Work Experience

<b>Amazon Reinforcement Learning</b> , <i>Applied Science Intern</i>	08/2024-11/2024
Advised by Dean Foster, Omer Gottesman	
<b>Gladstone Institutes</b> , <i>Research Associate</i>	09/2021 – 09/2022
<b>Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence</b> , <i>Research Intern</i>	03/2019 – 09/2019
Advised by Vu Ha, Oren Etzioni	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Implemented and analyzed custom computer vision models to detect veins and arteries in ultrasound videos</li></ul>	
<b>Sage Bionetworks</b> , <i>Research Engineering Intern</i>	09/2018 – 03/2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Designed and developed an Android app feature to measure cardiorespiratory fitness to be used in a National Institute of Health study with 1 million users.</li><li>This feature teaches users how to measure their heart rate using a smartphone camera and provides feedback about their measurement using signal processing.</li></ul>	
<b>Microsoft</b> , <i>Software Engineering Intern, Xbox</i>	06/2018 – 09/2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Designed and implemented a Convolutional Neural Network to detect highlight clips from game streams to enable gamers to share the best parts of their gameplay sessions, increasing the visibility of the Xbox gaming environment.</li></ul>	
<b>Microsoft</b> , <i>Software Engineering Intern, Xbox</i>	06/2017 – 09/2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Built an end-to-end prototype that allows users to control the Xbox using Amazon Alexa and Cortana Assistant. Prototype was expanded to create a shipped feature and covered in <a href="#">The Verge</a>, <a href="#">TechCrunch</a>, <a href="#">IGN</a>, <a href="#">Geekwire</a>.</li></ul>	
<b>Microsoft</b> , <i>Explorer Intern, Outlook</i>	06/2016 - 09/2016
<b>Expedia</b> , <i>Software Developer Apprentice, Cruise Team</i>	06/2015 - 08/2015

## Awards + Fellowships

[Stanford Data Science Scholars Fellowship \(2024\)](#): Awarded to a select group of current Stanford PhD students who contribute to data-intensive science.

Stanford School of Engineering Fellowship (2022): Awarded a 1-year fellowship to cover rotations.

[ACM Student Research Competition Award \(2019\)](#): 2nd place in the undergraduate research category.

[Class of 2019 Allen School Undergraduate Service Award \(2019\)](#): The Allen School service award recognizes 2 students in every graduating class for outstanding service contributions to the Allen School.

[Husky 100 \(2018\)](#): The Husky 100 recognizes 100 out of 40,000 UW undergraduate and graduate students who are making the most of their time at the UW.

## Invited Talks

<b>Harvard University</b> , <i>DtAK lab</i>	10/2024
<b>University of Michigan AI Symposium</b> , <i>Lightning Talk</i>	10/2024
<b>University of Michigan</b> , <i>MLD3 lab</i>	10/2024
<b>New York Academy of Sciences</b> , <i>Machine Learning Symposium</i>	10/2024

## Service

<b>Reviewer</b> <i>NeurIPS, Reinforcement Learning Conference (RLC), Machine Learning for Healthcare Symposium (ML4H), Conference on Health Informatics and Learning (CHIL)</i>	2021-
<b>Machine Learning for Health Symposium (ML4H) Organizer</b>	2024
<b>Stanford-Berkeley Women's Research Meetup for Women in CS and EE Organizer</b>	2024