



# DR. MICHAEL HERMAN

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Name: Michael Herman  
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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Machine Learning  
Artificial Intelligence  
Deep Learning  
Probabilistic Inference  
Learning from Demonstration  
Inverse Reinforcement Learning  
Reinforcement Learning  
Cognitive Robotics

## EDUCATION

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- 2013 - 2020: PhD in Computer Science (University of Freiburg / Robert Bosch GmbH)**  
Thesis: „Simultaneous Estimation of Rewards and Dynamics in Inverse Reinforcement Learning Problems“
- 2011 - 2013: M.Sc. Electrical Engineering and Information Technology (University of Stuttgart)**  
Thesis: „Active Learning for Image Retrieval“
- 2007 - 2011: B.Eng. Mechatronics and Electrical Engineering (University of Applied Sciences Esslingen)**  
Thesis: „Development of an AUTOSAR-Based FlexRay Test Setup for Determining a Minimum Configuration for the Dual Channel Mode of FlexRay“

## INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2019/06 - present: Project Lead & Research Scientist at Bosch Center for AI (Renningen, Germany)**  
Learning to make predictions of multi-agent human behavior for automated driving (Imitation Learning, Deep Learning, Probabilistic Graphical Models)
- 2008/05 - present: Executive partner of Herman & Kegreiß GbR (Böblingen, Germany)**  
Project management, search engine optimization, software development
- 2016/10 – 2019/06: Research Scientist at Bosch Center for Artificial Intelligence (Renningen, Germany)**  
Learning to make predictions in multi-agent environments (Imitation Learning, Deep Learning)
- 2013/08 – 2016/07: PhD student at Robert Bosch GmbH (Renningen, Germany)**  
Simultaneous estimation of rewards and dynamics in Inverse Reinforcement Learning problems
- 2011/03 - 2013/05: Student employee at EVOMOTIV GmbH (Leinfelden-Echterdingen, Germany)**  
Hardware development of electrical circuit boards, embedded software development, signal processing
- 2010/08 - 2011/02: Bachelor thesis at Daimler AG (Sindelfingen, Germany)**  
Computation of FlexRay clock precisions of new physical network configurations, development of an AUTOSAR-based test setup for determining a minimum configuration for the dual channel mode of FlexRay
- 2009/09 - 2010/02: Internship at Daimler AG (Böblingen, Germany)**  
Development and implementation of an automatic configuration of vehicle data logger systems
- 2007/07 - 2007/09: Basic internship at Siemens AG (Weilimdorf, Germany)**  
Basics of electrical engineering

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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- Programming:** Python, MATLAB, C#, C++, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, SQL  
**Other interests:** Guitar, piano, singing, squash, snowboarding, electronics

## PUBLICATIONS

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### **Pedestrian Behavior Prediction for Automated Driving: Requirements, Metrics, and Relevant Features**

Michael Herman, Jörg Wagner, Vishnu Prabhakaran, Nicolas Möser, Hanna Ziesche, Waleed Ahmed, Lutz Bürkle, Ernst Kloppenburg, Claudius Gläser

Submitted to the IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems (T-ITS), 2021

### **Human Motion Trajectory Prediction: A Survey**

Andrey Rudenko, Luigi Palmieri, Michael Herman, Kris M Kitani, Dariu M Gavrila, Kai O Arras

The International Journal of Robotics Research (IJRR), 2020

### **Simultaneous estimation of rewards and dynamics in inverse reinforcement learning problems**

Michael Herman

PhD Thesis, University of Freiburg, 2020

### **Wasserstein Adversarial Imitation Learning**

Huang Xiao, Michael Herman, Joerg Wagner, Sebastian Ziesche, Jalal Etesami, Thai Hong Linh

arXiv preprint arXiv:1906.08113, 2019

### **Classifying Road Intersections Using Transfer-Learning on a Deep Neural Network**

Ulrich Baumann, Yuan-Yao Huang, Claudius Gläser, Michael Herman, Holger Banzhaf, J. Marius Zöllner

IEEE 21th International Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems, 2018

### **Predicting ego-vehicle paths from environmental observations with a deep neural network**

Ulrich Baumann, Claudius Gläser, Michael Herman, J. Marius Zöllner

IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2018

### **Functionally Modular and Interpretable Temporal Filtering for Robust Segmentation**

Jörg Wagner, Volker Fischer, Michael Herman, Sven Behnke

29th British Machine Vision Conference, 2018

### **Hierarchical Recurrent Filtering for Fully Convolutional DenseNets**

Jörg Wagner, Volker Fischer, Michael Herman, Sven Behnke

26th European Symposium on Artificial Neural Networks, Computational Intelligence and Machine Learning, 2018

### **Learning Semantic Prediction using Pretrained Deep Feedforward Networks**

Jörg Wagner, Volker Fischer, Michael Herman, Sven Behnke

25th European Symposium on Artificial Neural Networks, Computational Intelligence and Machine Learning, 2017

### **I See What You See: Inferring Sensor and Policy Models of Human Real-World Motor Behavior.**

Felix Schmitt, Hans-Joachim Bieg, Michael Herman, Constantin A. Rothkopf

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2017

### **Learning High-Level Navigation Strategies via Inverse Reinforcement Learning: A Comparative Analysis**

Michael Herman, Tobias Gindel, Jörg Wagner, Felix Schmitt, Christophe Quignon, Wolfram Burgard

Australasian Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2016

### **Exact Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control for modeling human attention switching and control**

Felix Schmitt, Hans-Joachim Bieg, Dietrich Manstetten, Michael Herman, Rainer Stiefelhagen

IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, 2016

### **Predicting lane keeping behavior of visually distracted drivers using inverse suboptimal control**

Felix Schmitt, Hans-Joachim Bieg, Dietrich Manstetten, Michael Herman, Rainer Stiefelhagen

IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium, 2016

### **Inverse Reinforcement Learning with Simultaneous Estimation of Rewards and Dynamics**

Michael Herman, Tobias Gindel, Jörg Wagner, Felix Schmitt, Wolfram Burgard

Proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics, 2016

### **Multispectral pedestrian detection using deep fusion convolutional neural networks**

Jörg Wagner, Volker Fischer, Michael Herman, Sven Behnke

24th European Symposium on Artificial Neural Networks, Computational Intelligence and Machine Learning, 2016

### **Simultaneous Estimation of Rewards and Dynamics from Noisy Expert Demonstrations**

Michael Herman, Tobias Gindel, Jörg Wagner, Felix Schmitt, Wolfram Burgard

24th European Symposium on Artificial Neural Networks, Computational Intelligence and Machine Learning, 2016

### **Inverse Reinforcement Learning of Behavioral Models for Online-Adapting Navigation Strategies**

Michael Herman, Volker Fischer, Tobias Gindel, Wolfram Burgard

IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2015