# FELIPE PARODI

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#### **EDUCATION**

## University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D., Neuroscience, Computational Neuroscience Initiative

M.A., Statistics and Data Science, The Wharton School at Penn

Conferred 2024

Notable Honor: 2021 Generation Google Scholarship

University of Miami

B.S., Neuroscience, B.A., Economics Conferred 2019

Notable Honor: Iron Arrow Honor Society

Deep Learning & Reinforcement Learning Summer School, The Vector Institute

2024

Cajal Advanced Training: Quantitative Approaches to Behaviour, Champalimaud Foundation 2022

### **SKILLS**

**Technical** Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Deep Learning, Computer Vision,

Statistical Modeling, Optimization, Multimodal Learning, Signal Processing

#### SAMPLE PROJECTS

- **PrimateFace.** Curated a 260,000-image, cross-genus primate face dataset with face bounding boxes and facial landmarks; trained cross-species detectors and landmarkers that match human-only baselines (e.g. 0.34 vs. 0.39 mAP on WIDERFace), establishing a standard for quantitative primate facial phenotyping across neuroscience, anthropology, and conservation. **Under review at Nature Methods.** biorXiv version.
- Neural signatures of natural behavior in freely-socializing primates. Combined wireless neurotechnology with face, hand, and body pose estimation to characterize neural processes underlying social primate behavior. Published in Nature.
- LLM-assisted education tool for open-ended responses. Built education tool for use in Neuromatch Academy and Penn Deep Learning for Data Science. arXiv.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### University of Pennsylvania

2020 - Present

Neuroscience Graduate Student Researcher co-supervised by Konrad P. Kording and Michael L. Platt

• Leverage wireless neural interfaces and deep learning to investigate the neural basis of primate social gestures and touch in freely socializing primates.

Google 2024

Data Science, Research Intern

• Co-developed a Python library for combining large language models (LLMs) and human annotators for efficient evaluation of generative AI music, which was adopted in production for high-throughput, scalable gen-music evals.

Colossal Biosciences 2024

Machine Learning for Conservation, Graduate Research Fellow Intern

• Developed an end-to-end deep learning pipeline for wild elephant detection, individual recognition, and social behavior characterization from aerial drone data, in usage by conservation stakeholders Save the Elephants.

## First Choice Neurology Clinic

2019 - 2020

Psychometrician, Data Science for Health Team

• Developed a ridge regression model achieving 87% accuracy in predicting cognitive dysfunction in Anglosaxon and Hispanic adults, enhancing early diagnosis capabilities and informing treatment strategies.

## University of Pennsylvania Wharton Neuroscience Initative

2017 - 2018

Research Science Intern, Human Neuroeconomics Team

• Conducted regression analysis on smartphone usage and delay decisions & designed experiments to investigate explore-exploit trade-offs in decision-making under physiological stress.