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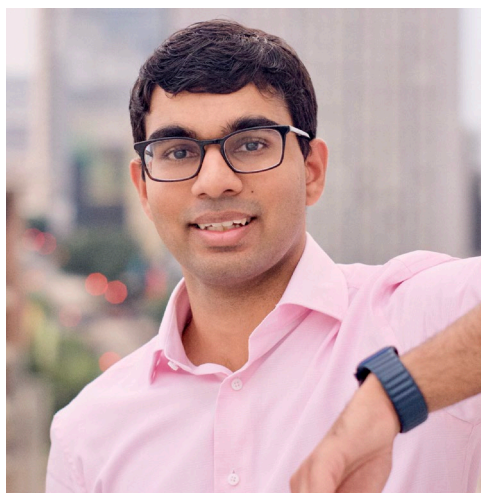
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Natalie Berestovsky has been with Bill.com for two years where she has been leading the AI team. Her team is responsible for Bill.com's main AI feature called IVA (Intelligent Virtual Assistant). This feature helps end users avoid manual data entry by automatically reading off important information from the invoices using advanced computer vision and NLP solutions. She also works closely with the product team to continue integrating AI/ML within other areas of Bill.com. Recently she has been recognized in the list of "[Top 30 Women in AI 2020 - Texas Edition](#)." She also has experience working in the energy industry, starting as an individual contributor in the data science space and transitioning into data science leadership roles. Natalie received her computer science undergraduate degree at the University of Texas at Austin, followed by a Ph.D. from Rice University. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family, traveling or thinking through the next AI problem during a long run.

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business analyst, where he hopes to help people lead more financially successful lives.

Rushi Bhalani grew up in the sunny suburbs of Los Angeles before attending Rice University, where he majored in computer science and pursued a certificate in engineering leadership. While at Rice, Rushi spent much of his time outside of class involved in Baker College and the Student Association across a number of leadership roles, and dedicated his summers conducting research for the electrical engineering department, completing an internship as a business analyst at Capital One and serving as an O-Week coordinator. Upon graduating, he then spent more than a year as a strategy consultant for Accenture Strategy, working primarily on projects in M&A and operations across the pharmaceutical, financial services and technology industries. He recently joined BiggerPockets — the largest, all-encompassing community and resource for anyone looking to succeed in real estate investing — as a senior



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