

# Branton DeMoss

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>      | Working at the intersection of reinforcement learning, world modeling, and planning to build autonomous agents that can think ahead to act in the world.   |   |
| <b>EDUCATION</b>    | <i>DPhil Candidate in Artificial Intelligence</i><br>University of Oxford  | 2021-   |
|                     | <i>BA Mathematics and Physics</i><br>University of Colorado Boulder  | 2018  |
| <b>EXPERIENCE</b>   | Oxford Robotics Institute<br><i>Graduate Student Researcher</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research in reinforcement learning, world modeling, and planning.</li></ul>  | 2021-   |
|                     | The Collaboratory<br><i>Co-founder; Chief Science Officer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deep learning on language and graphs for scientific knowledge curation.</li><li>Led product strategy, design, and ML R&amp;D.</li><li>Admitted to Techstars class of 2021 (&lt; 1% applicants admitted).</li><li>Raised &gt;\$2M (as of early 2022).</li></ul> | 2020-   |
|                     | Comma.ai<br><i>ML Research Intern</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reinforcement learning for self-driving cars.</li></ul>  | 2020  |
|                     | Front Range Geosciences<br><i>Machine Learning Engineer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developed computer vision system for seismic data.</li></ul>   | 2017-20   |
|                     | Center for Theory of Quantum Matter<br><i>Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Studied quantum many-body localization under Floquet conditions.</li></ul>  | 2017  |
|                     | Mathematics Department, CU Boulder<br><i>Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Investigated knot-theoretic properties of topological quantum field theories.</li></ul>  | 2016  |
|                     | High Energy Particle Physics Group, Physics Department, CU Boulder<br><i>Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monte Carlo simulations for the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment.</li></ul>  | 2014-15   |
| <b>PUBLICATIONS</b> | <i>DITTO: Offline Imitation Learning with World Models</i><br>In submission to NeurIPS 2023  | 2022  |

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| <i>Combining physics and deep learning to automatically pick first breaks in the Permian Basin</i><br>First International Meeting for Applied Geoscience & Energy          | 2021 |
| <i>Ein Liebesbrief an KataGo</i><br>Deutsche Go Zeitung, Ausgabe 4/2020  | 2020 |
| <i>Love Letter to KataGo, or:<br/>Go AI Past, Present, and Future</i><br>American Go E-Journal   | 2020 |
| <i>DeepTrace: A breakthrough application of deep learning to automate first break picking</i><br>SEG 2019 Lenovo Thought Leadership Series                                 | 2019 |
| <i>Topology and Knot Theory</i><br>Course notes for CU Boulder special topics course:<br>“ <i>Topology, Knot Theory, and their applications in Physics and Chemistry</i> ” | 2016 |
| <i>Secondary Particle Showers from Hadron Absorber Interactions</i><br>Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE) Collaboration Documents                                 | 2016 |

## AWARDS

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Research Studentship</i>       | Oxford, 2021  |
| <i>Stribic-Martin Scholarship</i> | Boulder, 2017 |
| <i>UROP Fellowship</i>            | Boulder, 2017 |
| <i>Dawkins Fund Award</i>         | Oxford, 2016  |
| <i>Gilman Scholarship</i>         | Oxford, 2016  |
| <i>Esteemed Scholar Award</i>     | Boulder, 2014 |