Branton DeMoss

CONTACT bdemoss@robots.ox.ac.uk St Edmund Hall www.brantondemoss.com Queen's Lane, Oxford +44 (0)7926 576225OX1 4AR, UK **SUMMARY** Working at the intersection of reinforcement learning, world modeling, and planning to build autonomous agents that can think ahead to act in the world. **EDUCATION** DPhil Candidate in Artificial Intelligence 2021-University of Oxford BA Mathematics and Physics 2018 University of Colorado Boulder

EXPERIENCE Oxford Robotics Institute 2021-

Graduate Student Researcher

• Research in reinforcement learning, world models, imitation learning, and complexity.

The Collaboratory 2020-23

Co-founder; Chief Science Officer

- Deep learning on language and graphs for knowledge curation.
- Led product strategy, design, and ML R&D.

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ML Research Intern

• Reinforcement learning for self-driving cars.

Front Range Geosciences

2017-20

Machine Learning Engineer

• Developed computer vision system for seismic data.

Center for Theory of Quantum Matter

2017

Research Assistant

• Studied quantum many-body localization under Floquet conditions.

Mathematics Department, CU Boulder

2016

Research Assistant

• Investigated knot-theoretic properties of topological quantum field theories.

High Enery Particle Physics Group, Physics Department, CU Boulder 2014-15 Research Assistant

• Monte Carlo simulations for the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment.

PUBLICATIONS Understanding Grokking by Compression

2024

Preparing for submission

	These New Agents, This New Garden To appear in Palladium Magazine	2023
	DITTO: Offline Imitation Learning with World Models Under submission	2023
	Combining physics and deep learning to automatically pick first breaks in the Permian Basin First International Meeting for Applied Geoscience & Energy	2021
	Ein Liebesbrief an KataGo Deutsche Go Zeitung, Ausgabe 4/2020	2020
	Love Letter to KataGo, or: Go AI Past, Present, and Future American Go E-Journal	2020
	DeepTrace: A breakthrough application of deep learning to automate first break picking SEG 2019 Lenovo Thought Leadership Series	2019
	Topology and Knot Theory Course notes for CU Boulder special topics course: "Topology, Knot Theory, and their applications in Physics and Chemi	2016 stry"
	Secondary Particle Showers from Hadron Absorber Interactions Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE) Collaboration Docu	2016 iments
TEACHING	Rocket League Behaviour Cloning from Unlabelled Data Supervised Master's Thesis, Oxford	2023
	Topics in Reinforcement Learning Oxford, MT 23	2023
	Physics of Information and Complexity Oxford, HT 24	2024
	Philosophy of Emergence Oxford, HT 24	2024
AWARDS	UROP Fellowship Dawkins Fund Award Gilman Scholarship	Oxford, 2021 Boulder, 2017 Boulder, 2017 Oxford, 2016 Oxford, 2016 Boulder, 2014