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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Reinforcement learning, explaining artificial intelligence, hierarchical reinforcement learning,

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| bounded rationality, lifelong learning.  |                           |
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| EDUCATION  |                           |
| Ph.D in Computer Science University of Bath, United Kingdom. Supervisors: Özgür Şimşek (Computer Science), Emma Carmel (Social Policy) Thesis: Self-Explaining Continual Reinforcement Learning Agents   | Expected 2026             |
| M.Res. in Accountable, Responsible and Transparent AI University of Bath, United Kingdom. Supervisors: Özgür Şimşek (Computer Science), Emma Carmel (Social Policy) Dissertation: Explaining Reinforcement Learning with Shapley Values Grade: Distinction | 2022                      |
| M.Sc. in Data Science University of Bath, United Kingdom. Supervisor: Özgür Şimşek Dissertation: Autonomous Routing of Printed Circuit Boards with Hierarchical Reinfo Grade: Distinction  | 2021<br>orcement Learning |
| B.Sc.(Hons) in Mathematics University of Bath, United Kingdom. Grade: First Class  | 2020                      |
| PUBLICATIONS   |                           |
| <b>Daniel Beechey</b> , Thomas M. S. Smith and Özgür Şimşek Explaining Reinforcement Learning with Shapley Values ICML 2023  |                           |
| Toby Lewis-Atwell, <b>Daniel Beechey</b> , Özgür Şimşek and Matthew N. Grayson Reformulating Reactivity Design for Data-Efficient Machine Learning ACS Catalysis, 13(20), 2023   |                           |
| TALKS  |                           |
| How to Explain Reinforcement Learning with Shapley Values<br>Bath Doctoral Festival of Ideas   | 2024                      |
| An Introduction to Explainable and Hierarchical Reinforcement Learning Bath AI Society   | 2024                      |
| Explaining Reinforcement Learning with Shapley Values Bath Conference of Computer Science  | 2023                      |
| Explaining Reinforcement Learning with Shapley Values Alan Turing Institute Student Presentations  | 2023                      |

### AWARDS

| University of Bath, <b>Doctoral Recognition Award</b>          | 2024 |
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| Bath Conference of Computer Science, Best Overall Contribution | 2023 |
| Inter-CDT Conference on AI, Best Poster                        | 2023 |

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

| Fixed-Term Lecturer, University of Bath                                  | 2022 - 2023 |
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| Lecturer, Reinforcement Learning (MSc level, 110 students)               | 2023        |
| Lecturer, Reinforcement Learning (MSc level, 29 students)                | 2023        |
| Supervisor, Dissertations (MSc level, 5 students)                        | 2022 - 2023 |
| Supervisor, Dissertations (BSc level, 2 students)                        | 2022 - 2023 |
| Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Bath                          | 2020 - 2023 |
| Teaching Assistant, Reinforcement Learning (MSc level)                   | 2022 - 2023 |
| Teaching Assistant, Reinforcement Learning (BSc level)                   | 2022 - 2023 |
| Supervisor, Dissertations (MSc level, 10 students)                       | 2022        |
| Teaching Assistant, Software Technologies for Data Science (MSc level)   | 2022        |
| Teaching Assistant, Statistics for Data Science (MSc level)              | 2022        |
| Teaching Assistant, Programming, Foundations and Connections (BSc level) | 2022        |
| Teaching Assistant, Programming and Discrete Mathematics (BSc level)     | 2021        |
| Teaching Assistant, Mathematical Methods and Applications (BSc level)    | 2020        |

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Conceptual Mathematics, statistics and machine learning.

**Programming** Excellent Python skills. Experience with R, Matlab and Git.

Libraries TensorFlow, PyTorch, Matplotlib, NumPy and many other Python libraries.

#### POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

#### Co-Organiser of the Bath Reinforcement Learning Workshop

2024 - present

University of Bath, United Kingdom

The student lead on the organising committee.

#### Co-Manager of the Bath Reinforcement Learning Laboratory

2023 - present

University of Bath, United Kingdom

Organising lab activities, including weekly lab meetings, research sessions, paper discussions and social events.