



# Conn Breathnach

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

2023–2024 **M.Sc. in Computer Science**, *Trinity College Dublin*

**Thesis** *Applications of Reinforcement Learning to Automated Theorem Proving*

2019–2023 **B.A. (Mod) in Computer Science**, *Trinity College Dublin*

### Employment

Jun **Software Engineer**, *Stripe*

- 2024–Present
- Implemented and analysed performance of fraud detection models on large-scale, real-time systems.
  - Developed data engineering solutions for expansive time series data and iterated on model features based on insights from this data engineering and model outputs.

Feb **Research Intern**, *ADAPT Center*

- 2023–Aug  
2023
- Designed and trained state of the art Graph Neural Network and Deep Neural Network models in the field of education research.
  - Performed research into various machine learning methods for personalized learning curricula for students.
  - Collaborated with industry leaders in education research to perform feature engineering and used ablation testing to analyse these features in our models.

July **Reinforcement Learning Team Lead**, *Formula Trinity*

- 2021–Aug  
2023
- Led a team of student researchers in designing and implementing reinforcement learning based systems for autonomous vehicles as part of Formula Student competitions.
  - Ran workshops for beginners and experienced researchers alike on topics such as multi-armed bandits, reinforcement learning, deep learning which included both theoretical basis for the topics as well as code to implement any algorithms.

Jun **Software Engineer Intern**, *Virtu Financial*

- 2022–Aug  
2022
- Introduced optimizations into low level C++ code based on data analysis to improve latency into critical high frequency trading systems.
  - Analysed performance using statistical testing and computing baselines for control.

- Jun 2021–Jun 2022 **Student Researcher**, *Robotics and Innovation Lab*, Trinity College Dublin
- Developed novel computer vision techniques for autonomous and teleoperated robots.
  - Implemented stochastic algorithms for pathfinding and mapping in complex environments.

## Publications

- Wade Qian Breathnach (2023). “Who Is Lagging Behind: Profiling Student Behaviors with Graph-Level Encoding in Curriculum-Based Online Learning Systems”. Preprint
- Breathnach (2024). “Applications of Reinforcement Learning to Automated Theorem Proving”. M.Sc. Trinity College Dublin

## Research Interests

Machine Learning for Mathematics (Formal and Informal)  
 Reinforcement Learning for Optimization  
 Machine Learning for Reasoning with Natural Language

## Skills

Programming Python, Java, C++, Rust, Lean, SQL, Ruby, Go, Isabelle  
 Tools PyTorch, TensorFlow, Pytorch Geometric, scikit-learn, Numpy  
 Other LaTeX, Git, Linux/Unix

## Languages

English Native  
 Irish Native  
 German C1  
 Japanese N3

## Awards

Student Entrepreneurship Awards, Enterprise Ireland, 2023  
 Huawei Seeds for the Future, 2021  
 Lynq LLM Hackathon, 2nd place