# CHENYU (MONICA) WANG

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# **EDUCATION BACKGROUND**

# Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

Bachelor of Economics and Finance

Sep. 2018-Jun. 2022

- High School Awards: Gold medalist of 50<sup>th</sup> International Chemistry Olympiad (4 in China); First prize of National High School Mathematics League; Silver medalist of 15<sup>th</sup> China Girl's Mathematical Olympiad
- GPA: 3.99/4.0 (Ranking: 1/248); GPA for major courses: 4.0/4.0
- Honors: National Scholarship for Undergraduate Students (1%); Tang Lixin Scholarship
- Courses: Time Series Analysis(A+), Multivariate Statistical Analysis(A+), Financial Economics(A), Calculus(A), Statistical Learning(A), Convex Optimization(A+), Stochastic Calculus(A), Ordinary Differential Equation(A+)

Minor in Data Science and Technology

Jun. 2019-Jun. 2022

- GPA: 3.96/4.0 | Courses: Data Structure(A+), Deep Learning(A+), Database(A+), Artificial Intelligence(A)
- **Technical:** Proficient in Python/C++/R/Matlab. Machine learning models: SVM, RF, k-Means etc., deep learning algorithms including CNN, RNN etc., deep learning framework: PyTorch, Tensorflow; Basic knowledge of SQL and Linux

# University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Exchange student, department of statistics (Led by Noureddine El Karoui, remote)

Jan. 2021-Jun. 2021

• Courses: Modern Statistical Prediction and Machine Learning (A+, top 1%)

#### **PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS**

Tree-Based Neural Bandits for High-Value Protein Design

Chenyu Wang, Joseph Kim, Le Cong, Mengdi Wang, under review of AISTATS 2022

HAGEN: Homophily-Aware Graph Convolutional Recurrent Network for Crime Forecasting [link]

Chenyu Wang, Zongyu Lin, Xiaochen Yang, Mingxuan Yue, Jiao Sun, Cyrus Shahabi, under review of AAAI 2022

Open Domain Generalization with Domain-Augmented Meta-Learning [link]

Yang Shu, Zhangjie Cao, Chenyu Wang, Jianmin Wang, Mingsheng Long, CVPR 2021

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Tree-Based Neural Bandits for High-Value Protein Design

Princeton, NJ

Advised by Prof. Mengdi Wang, Department of Electrical Engineering, Princeton University

Jun. 2021-present

- Completed a paper under review of *AISTATS 2022* as the first author. Proposed the tree-based neural bandits algorithm, which finds a rich class of high fitness proteins using substantially fewer design queries on two public protein fitness datasets.
- Modelled protein design as a contextual bandit problem and utilizes a modified upper-confidence bound algorithm as guided by the neural bandit and a Monte Carlo tree search process for accelerating the search for optimal designs.
- Analyzed model convergence rate based on global search space ranking, fitness distribution shift and search trajectory.

#### Homophily-Aware Graph Convolutional Recurrent Network for Crime Forecasting

Los Angeles, CA

Advised by Prof. Cyrus Shahabi, Department of Computer Science, USC

Jan. 2021-Jun. 2021

- Completed a paper under review of AAAI 2022 as the first author. Proposed homophily-aware graph convolutional recurrent network HAGEN for crime forecasting, which consistently outperformed SOTA on two datasets by up to 8%.
- Utilized adaptively learned graph structure to capture the underlying high-order relationship between regions and incorporates direction-aware diffusion convolution layer with GRU framework to learn spatiotemporal dynamics
- Constrained the graph structure with a designed homophily-aware loss to enhance the performance of the graph neural network

#### Open Domain Generalization with Domain-Augmented Meta-Learning

Beijing, China

Advised by Prof. Mingsheng Long, School of Software, Tsinghua University

Sept. 2020-Nov. 2020

- Completed a paper accepted by CVPR 2021 as the third author. Conducted research on open domain generalization.
- · Utilized different ensemble model based criteria, including entropy, consistency and cosine distance from class center to

conduct outlier label recognition. Introduced clustering loss into loss function to facilitate open-set recognition.

• Evaluated model performance with metrics including H-score and class average accuracy to guide parameter grid search.

#### **Understanding Chinese Bond Yield Curve: Excess Return Prediction**

Beijing, China

Advised by Prof. Hao Wang, SEM, Tsinghua

Jun. 2020-Aug. 2020

- · Modelled bond excess return in Chinese market. Wrote one chapter in the manuscript for a book to be published.
- Constructed predictors for long term bond's excess return. Conducted model comparison with sub-sample test and out of sample estimation. Gained supportive evidence that Chinese bond market has shorter market cycle and higher fluctuation.
- Constructed dynamic investment strategies. Achieved 4 times Sharpe ratio improvement and stable sub-period performance.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

Jane Street Asia Limited Hong Kong

Quantitative Trading Intern

Jun. 2021-Sept. 2021

- Conducted data processing and analysis, model construction and trading simulation in two research projects on Chinese and Australian stock market. Produced predictive models for future market returns in both projects.
- Developed and executed strategies for a variety of simulated trading exercises by observing market events under time pressure

#### WizardQuant Capital Management

Zhuhai, China

Quantitative Researcher, Quantitative Research Department

Jun. 2020-Aug. 2020

- Built an alternative risk model based on data of equity research reports. Made supplement to Barra model factors.
- Conducted comprehensive EDA, built models including similarity matrix constructing, affinity propagation clustering and daily updating with rolling window data. Such grouping model captured industrial chain characteristics.
- Completed data filtering and graph merging with the data. Achieved intragroup Barra residual correlation up to 0.3.

# Techsharpe Quant Capital Management

Beijing, China

Data Analyst Intern, Trading Department

Jan. 2020-Feb. 2020

- Conducted research on futures rolling strategies of CSI500 index future and analyzed the advantage of rolling by open interest.
- Optimized trading system with Python to summarize daily transaction information and calculate profits.

#### **LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES**

#### Meritorious Winner in 2021 MCM/ICM Mathematical Contest in Modelling

**US/China** 

Team Leader

Feb. 2021

- Performed analysis of on previous music's influence and the pattern of music evolution with network science approaches.
- Constructed both genre-level and artist-level network based on the given data, evaluated artists' influence with Katz centrality and figured out potential revolutionary artists with critical path algorithm.
- Modelled the dynamic pattern of genres and artists, and conducted intervention analysis on Pop/Rock with ARIMA model.

**Banking & Investment Mentor Program** (A global student-run non-profit organization with 10-year history) **US/China** Co-president Feb. 2021-Feb. 2022

- Organized the global recruitment for Class 2023 (100+ candidates), meet-ups and alumni network update and maintenance
- Selected as the only Tsinghua member in Class 2022 (14 in total globally, membership covering Wharton, Harvard etc.)

# Student Union of Tsinghua University School of Economics and Management

Beijing, China

Director of Department of Sports

Mar. 2019-Sept. 2020

- Organized SEM spring training, resulting in 20% higher score in track & field race and 3 consecutive championships.
- Participated in SEM track team as team leader and 4 other teams as core member, spending 10+ hours/week in training; Got top 3 in 10 events of John Ma Cup including 1st place in 4\*400m relay, 3rd place in 1500m and women's basketball champion.

#### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- Languages: Mandarin (Native); English (Proficient; TOEFL 110/120: Reading 29, Listening 28, Speaking 26, Writing 27)
- Interests: Sports (1<sup>st</sup> place in 4\*400m; member of SEM basketball and soccer team), Chinese Zither (Amateur Certificate 9), Debate (2<sup>nd</sup> place in Tsinghua Freshmen Debate Competition), Literature (Editor of senior high school magazine)