StormCollins | Curriculum Vitae

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Work Experience

Consulting & Audit

Deloitte, Financial Services Advisory, Valuations, Senior Manager (May 2019 - Present)

- BAU management of junior staff members, managing client relationships with regards to delivery, reporting & explaining results, strategy for the team, proposals for new business,
- Derivative pricing in both IFRS 2 & IFRS 13 standards, wide spectrum of instruments from employee share schemes, BEE options, to CVA, DVA, FVA, & KVA,
- Instrumental in spearheading a revamp of their existing limited C# library for derivative pricing as well as educating junior members,

Investment Banking

Standard Bank CIB, Trading Risk Analytics, (April 2014 - May 2019)

- Developed a framework, in C#, for performing stress testing analysis of counterparty credit risk which integrated with Adaptiv to calculate relevant metrics such as PFE, EPE, & Economic Capital for various stressed economic scenarios.
- Fielded wrong way risk queries from credit managers with regards to the exposure generated by the conditional default model.
- Involved with vetting the consistency of exposures & methodology in numerous trading system migrations & Adaptiv upgrades.
- Performed relevant analysis for how to best accommodate exotic type instruments that can't be accurately captured in Adaptiv.
- Performed bespoke PFE calculations for instruments not catered for by Adaptiv.
- Fielded queries from model validation with regards to reviews of stochastic processes used in Monte Carlo simulations.
- Helped with the analysis & implementation of back testing stochastic process parameters & models via a framework developed in Python & C#.
- Assisted with upgrading C# code for calibrating stochastic process parameters.
- Fielded queries about collateral algorithm.
- Assisted Asset Control in implementing revised market data specifications required for Adaptiv exposure calculations.

Independent Valuations and Model Controller at ABSA Capital (February 2012 - March 2014)

- Price and bid offer testing of Equity Derivative and Prime Services desks using observable/liquid market data.
- Performed FVA, CVA, and CCRA calculations attributing moves in counterparty credit and funding exposure.
- Reviewed new product approvals and structured trade reviews in equities, prime services and credit.
- Performed observability analysis of market data.
- Investigated valuation issues resulting from the application of OIS discounting, CVA, DVA and FVA to derivatives pricing.
- Investigated & kept up to speed with relevant pricing methodologies for equity derivatives.

Junior Quantitative Analyst at ABSA Capital (February 2010 - January 2012)

- Implemented/researched various pricing and hedging methodologies for various asset classes (mainly credit and fixed income).
- Aided in implementation of multi-curve system for FVA calculations.
- Aided in development of standard Excel pricing platform via C# and C++.
- Performed various statistical analyses of market data for trading desks.

Tertiary Education

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

Masters of Science in Computer Science, In Progress,

- I was accepted into a part-time masters degree in computer science at a highly respected American university in 2019, which I intend to complete by 2022,
- The masters is entirely by coursework & I've elected to take the *computing systems* stream which is primarily focused on software development, operating systems, high performance computing etc. & to complement it with courses from the machine learning stream,

University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg

Masters of Science, Physics, 2008, with distinction

- Dissertation Topic: Multi-Trace Operators and the Gauge-Gravity Correspondence
- Supervisor: Professor Robert S. de Mello Koch
- Area of Study: String Theory (AdS/CFT Correspondence)

Bachelor of Science (Honours), Advanced Mathematics of Finance, 2009, with distinction

• Honours Project, A Low-Dimensional LIBOR Market Model

Bachelor of Science (Honours), Physics, 2007, with distinction

• Honours Project, Quantum Statistics of Anyons

Publications

Restricted Schur Polynomials and Finite N Counting. Storm Collins, Physical Review **D** 79, 026002 (2009), http://arxiv.org/pdf/0810.4217.pdf

Exact Multi-Matrix Correlators. R. Bhattacharyya, S. Collins and R. de Mello Koch, Journal of High Energy Physics JHEP**03**(2008)044, http://arxiv.org/pdf/0801.2061.pdf

University Awards

- Standard Bank Award for Honours in Advanced Mathematics of Finance (2009).
- CH Leon bursary (2009),
- South African Institute of Physics (SAIP) award for best Masters talk in theoretical physics (2008),
- Merck achievement award for best interdisciplinary third year BSc student (2006),
- Diamond research laboratory award for top third year physics student (2006),
- Frank Nabarro summer essay prize for Physics III (2006),
- Diamond research laboratory award for top second year physics student (2005),

Computer Skills

Programming Languages

• Advanced: C#, Matlab, Python (including Numpy & Scipy).

• Intermediate: C\C++

• Basic: Java, SQL

Software Development

- I've been involved with the scoping & design of two significant quantitative software projects, one at Deloitte & one at Standard Bank CIB,
- Although not part of my original tertiary education I have supplemented my knowledge over the years in various pertinent areas including: Design patterns, continuous integration, version control, resource management, analysis & verification, & general software best practices, & have become adept in several coding eco-systems.