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EDUCATION

- **University of Warwick, Warwick Business School (WBS)** 09/2024 - Now
PhD in Finance and Economics Coventry, UK
- **University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison)** 09/2022 - 05/2024
Master of Science in Economics Madison, WI, US
- **Zhejiang University (ZJU)** 09/2018 - 07/2022
Bachelor of Economics Science in Finance Hangzhou, China

RESEARCH

- **Equity Premium Prediction with Shrinkage Estimation Guided by Economic Theory** 06/2023 - Now
with: Xiaobin Liu, Yanchu Liu and Tao Zeng
 - **Abstract:** We demonstrate that economic linkages between predictors and the real economy, combined with theory-implied parameter restrictions, substantially enhance out-of-sample equity premium forecasting performance. We introduce a novel empirical Bayes (EB) framework that captures these economic relationships while accommodating theoretical constraints on predictor coefficients. Our EB methodology optimally shrinks coefficient estimates toward intermediate values between unrestricted OLS estimates and theory-implied restricted estimates. Empirical applications reveal improved forecasting performance across numerous established predictors.
 - **Keywords:** Empirical Bayes, Shrinkage estimator, Equity premium prediction

EXPERIENCE

- **Hithink RoyalFlush Information Network Co.,Ltd.** 07/2024 – 09/2024
Macro-Finance Research Analyst Internship Hangzhou, China
 - Chinese 10-Year Government Bond Yield Forecast Model
 - LLM-based Gold Price Forecasting Agent
- **University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** 05/2023 - 03/2024
Part-time Research Assistant for Prof. Qiping Xu Remote
 - Performed fuzzy matching of company names across two large datasets from 2007 to 2020.
 - Innovated a new data structure to integrate congressional district data using zip codes, addressing challenges such as shifting postal codes and mixed data formats.
- **University of Wisconsin-Madison** 01/2023 - 12/2023
Research Assistant for Prof. Rasmus Lentz Madison, WI, US
 - Optimized computing algorithm for a large Italian labor dataset, comprising 40 million observations.
- **Zhejiang Longwin Asset Management Co.,Ltd.** 01/2022 – 05/2022
Quantitative Researcher Internship Hangzhou, China
 - Industry classification enhancement using Gerber statistics and clustering.
- **Zheshang Fund Management Co.,Ltd.** 07/2021 - 09/2021
Credit Ranking Researcher Internship Shanghai, China
 - Developed a framework to graph bond yield curves using Python.
 - Built a predictive system for credit ratings based on XGBoost.

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python(skilled); MATLAB (skilled); Stata(skilled); Julia(skilled); R(skilled)
- **Volunteer:** More than 300 hours service, e.g. volunteer work in European Art Museum in Hangzhou
- **Machine Learning and LLM Framework:** XGBoost, LSTM, Clustering, Bandit, LangChain, etc.