# Jia Lin Hau

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**Research** Reinforcement learning, risk-averse optimization, machine learning, risk measures, financial mathematics,

**Interests** Bayesian method, actuarial science, probability, and statistics.

Education University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 2015 - 2018

B.S. in Applied Mathematics: Economics, Summa Cum Laude (Dean's List) GPA: 3.89/4.0

Groups: Reinforcement Learning and Robustness Lab, Vice President of International Student Organization, Pi Mu Epsilon of National Honorary Mathematics Society

#### **Publications**

Hau, Jia Lin and Petrik, Marek and Ghavamzadeh, Mohammad and Russel, Reazul. RASR: Risk-Averse Soft-Robust MDPs with EVaR and Entropic Risk, ArXiv, 2022.

#### Conference Reviewing

International Conference on Machine Learning 2022 (ICML)

NeurIPS 2021 Workshop on Safe and Robust Control of Uncertain Systems

# Projects, Workshops, and Reports

Robust Pest Management, [poster] [slide] Talha Siddique, Jia Lin Hau, Shadi Atallah, Marek Petrik Aug 2018-Mar 2019

Utilized STAN Bayesian statistical inference with MCMC sampling to capture prior knowledge, generate more possible data points, and compute the optimal Robust MDP policy via policy iteration.

Cryptocurrency Forecasting Analytics, [report] Jia Lin Hau, Gerasimos Mouikis, Spencer Pope Feb-May 2018

Forecasted cryptocurrency with time series analysis method VAR on the log return of the closing price.

MDP on Blackjack, [presentation] Jia Lin Hau, Marek Petrik

Jan-Jul 2018

Utilized MDP (Value Iteration) to solve for the optimal action (Stand, Hit, Split, Double, or Surrender) for BlackJack with R.

### Employment and Leadership Experience

# UNH Computer Science Department, Durham, NH

Research Assistant - Reinforcement Learning and Robustness Lab Fall 2020 - present

**Teaching Assistant** 

CS 520 - Assembly language programming and machine organization Spring 2020
CS 410P - Introduction to scientific programming in Python Spring 2020

CS 410C - Introduction to scientific programming in C Fall 2019

CS 725 - Computer networks Fall 2019

CS 410P - Introduction to scientific programming in Python Spring 2019

Idea Math, Nashua, NH

#### Junior Instructor/ Summer Camp Resident Assistant

Jun 2018-Aug 2019

- Trained K-12 students for Mathematics competition with challenging questions to enhance their problem-solving skills.
- Created study plans for the class and conducted group activities with students to assure they are motivated to learn.
- Structured activities and events for residential students to support a good experience and healthy lifestyle.

# UNH International Student Organization, Durham, NH

### Vice President May 2017-Jun 2018

- Plan events to raise cultural awareness.
- Reach out and collaborate with other organizations and learn about others' cultures.
- Allocated tasks for volunteers and executive members based on their unique advantages.

#### UNH Mathematics Center, Durham, NH

#### **Mathematics Center Tutor**

Aug 2017-Jun 2018

- Clarified Mathematics concepts and assisted students with trouble with their homework.
- Organized a study plan for students to catch up with class content and learn more effectively.
- Conducted review sessions to help students prepare for exams and guizzes.

### UNH Residential Life, Durham, NH

Resident Assistant Aug 2016-Aug 2017

- Structured weekly social with 11 Co-Resident Assistants to maximize positive resident interaction and develop an inclusive community among 500 residents.
- Responsible for critical knowledge such as proper protocol involving responding to alcohol intoxication, roommate issues, and residents' personal issues.
- Communicated and related well with residents, staff, housekeepers, and maintenance personnel.

# Extracurricular Certifications and Achievements

Marathon	2016 Manchester City Marathon by SNHU	1st in Co-ed Relay
	2015 Seacoast Half Marathon in Portsmouth	4 <sup>th</sup> in division
<b>Scuba Diving</b>	2013 PADI Advance Open Water Diver	Certified
	2019 NAUI Open Water Scuba Diver	Certified
Competition	UNH 2017 Fall stock pitch competition, WTI (strong buy) - (post) doubled in 6 months	Semi-finalist
	UNH 2019 Holloway prize competition, emoai (facial recognition to avoid depression)	Semi-finalist
	Shayan Amani, Jia Lin Hau, Chao Chi Cheng, Lekyang Sai	
Actuarial	2018 Actuarial Science Exam P: Probability	Passed
Finance	2018 Bloomberg Market Concepts (BMC) Completion	Certified

# **Technical Skills**

Coursework: Multi-Dimensional Calculus, Differential Equation, Linear Algebra, Probability and Stochastic, Financial

Mathematics for Actuarial, Forecasting Analysis, Machine Learning, Econometrics, Numerical Method

Programming Languages: Python, R, MATLAB, Julia, JMP, BMC, C, C++, SQL

Languages: Mandarin, Cantonese, English, and Malay.