# Renyuan Xu

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of California, Berkeley

Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0

Ph.D. Candidate in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research Department

August 2014 - May 2019 (expected)

Thesis Title: MFG vs N-player games: Nash equilibrium vs Pareto optimality

Advisor: Xin Guo

University of Science and Technology of China

B.S. Mathematics

Overall GPA: 4.01/4.3

August 2010 - June 2014

University of Sydney August 2012 - December 2012 Exchange Student, Mathematics Department Overall GPA: 4.00/4.00

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Stochastic Modeling, Stochastic Control and Stochastic Games
- Statistical Learning with Applications in Big Data
- Reinforcement Learning and Data-driven Decision Making
- Mathematical Finance, Market Microstructure and High Frequency Trading

#### **HONORS**

| • Finalist, Applied Probability Society Best Paper Competition |                 |
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| INFORMS 2018   | November, 2018  |
| • Second Place, Citadel Data Competition, Berkeley             | September, 2018 |
| • Berkeley IEOR Summer Research Grant                          | 2018            |
| • Berkeley IEOR First Year Fellowship                          | 2014-2015       |
| • National Scholarship in China (2% of the department)         | 2013-2014       |
| • UCLA Summer School Fellowship                                | 2013            |
| • National Scholarship in China (2% of the department)         | 2012-2013       |

#### RESEARCH

- X. Guo, R. Xu. "Stochastic games for fuel followers problem: N vs MFG," Accepted, to appear in SIAM Journal of Control and Optimization, 2018+.
- X. Guo, A. Hu, R. Xu and J. Zhang. "Consistency and computation of regularized MLEs for multivariate Hawkes processes," Submitted to Operations Research, 2018.
  - Short version accepted by NIPS 2018 Workshop on Causality.
- X. Guo, W. Tang, and R. Xu. "A class of stochastic games and moving free boundary problems," Submitted to Annuals of Applied Probability, 2018.
- X. Guo, CA Lehalle, and R. Xu. "Stylized facts on price formation of corporate bonds and best execution analysis," Preprint, 2018.
- X. Guo, R. Xu. "Pareto optimality and price of anarchy for stochastic games with singular controls," Preprint, 2018.
- X. Guo, A. Hu, R. Xu and J. Zhang. "Model-based reinforcement learning for mean field games," Working paper, 2018

• R. Almgren, R. Xu. "Smart order routing via statistical learning method," Working paper, 2018.

#### INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Quantitative Researcher Intern Quantitative Brokers, New York, NY June 2017 - August 2017

- Apply statistical learning techniques to build an ensemble model for the prediction of the probability of order fulfillments. Techniques include Random Forest, Gradient Boosting and Recurrent Neural Network.
- Model integrated in cash treasury market production system.

# INVITED TALKS

- 9<sup>th</sup> Western Conference in Mathematical Finance, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA. (November 2018)
- Informs Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ. (November 2018)
  - Selected as one of the four finalists to present in the Applied Probability Society Best Student Paper Competition
- Mathematical Finance Seminars, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA. (September 2018)
- Probability and Computational Finance Seminars, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA. (August 2018)
- Berkeley-Stanford Workshop on Mathematical and Computational Finance, Stanford, CA. (July 2018)
- Berkeley-Columbia Meeting in Engineering and Statistics, Columbia University, New York, NY. (April 2018)
- Probability Seminar, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, China. (December 2017)
- Informs Annual Meeting, Houston, TX. (October 2017)
- Fourth Annual Young Researchers Workshop on Data-driven and Decision Making, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. (October 2017)

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

 Market Microstructure: The CFM-Imperial Workshop, London, UK. (December 2017)

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Math and Probability: Partial Differential Equations (I & II), Applied Stochastic Process (I & II), Probability Theory (I & II), Advanced Topics in Stochastic Processes.
- Optimization: Mathematical Programming (I & II), Convex Optimization and Approximation, Supply Chain and Logistics Management.
- Statistics and Computer Science: Advanced Topics in Learning and Decision Making, Theoretical Statistics, Nonparametric and Robust Methods, Mathematical Statistics, Deep Reinforcement Learning.
- Finance: Financial Engineering (I & II).

#### REFEREE LIST

- Professor Xin Guo (IEOR Department, UC Berkeley)
- Professor Jim Pitman (Statistics Department, UC Berkeley)
- Dr Charles-Albert Lehalle (Capital Fund Management and Imperial College London)
- Dr Robert Almgren (Quantitative Brokers)

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Student Instructor: provide weekly discussion sessions, office hours, and homework solutions.
  - Capstone project mentor for IEOR master students, Spring 2018.
  - IEOR 222: Financial Engineering System (Graduate), Fall 2016/Spring 2018.
  - IEOR 241: Risk Modeling, Simulation, and Data Analysis (Graduate), Fall 2017.
  - IEOR 263B: Applied Stochastic Processes II (Graduate), Spring 2017.
  - IEOR 161: Operations Research II, Spring 2016.
  - E120: Introduction to Financial Economics, Fall 2015.
  - UGBA 103: Introduction to Finance, Summer 2015.

# TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

- Programming:
  - Expert level at development in R, Python, Pandas, PostgreSQL.
  - Proficient at MATLAB, C, C++, Scala, Q/KDB+.
  - Experience with Spark.
- Optimization: CPLEX, AMPL.
- Database: Managing 10TB Finance Data for RADAR Lab.

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