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EDUCATION

University of Michigan

M.S. in Quantitative Finance and Risk Management, GPA: 3.6/4.0

Ann Arbor, MI
Sept 2017 - Present

- Coursework: Machine Learning, Advanced Financial Mathematics, Stochastic Analysis, Data Mining

Nankai University, School of Mathematical Science

Bachelor of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, GPA: 3.7/4.0

Tianjin, China
Sept 2013 - Jun 2017

- Coursework: Investment, Financial Engineering, Probability Theory, Operational Research, Multivariate Analysis
- Scholarship: Outstanding Student Scholarship of Nankai University
- Award: Successful Participant in American Mathematical Contest in Modeling, Second Prize in Contemporary Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling

University of California-Berkeley, Haas School of Business

Summer Session, GPA: 3.5/4.0

Berkeley, CA
Jul 2015 - Aug 2015

- Coursework: Introduction to Financial Accounting, Introduction to Managerial Accounting

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Willis Towers Watson

Benefits & Actuarial Consultant Intern

Beijing, China
Dec 2016 - Mar 2017

- Constructed raw data and checked IAS for further computing with Excel VBA
- Compiled and reviewed 20 actuarial reports with modeling results, based on CAS or IAS

Everbright Securities

Quantitative Analysis Intern

Tianjin, China
Sept 2016 - Nov 2016

- Developed algorithmic trading strategies on Chinese A share stocks and CSI300 stock index using R
- Built market strategy timing yielding 15% annual return, 1.2 Sharp ratio, and 5% MDD
- Analyzed volatility of high-frequency stock price with Hilbert-Huang Transform in order to improve the internal quantitative trading strategies

China Development Bank

Risk Management Intern

Beijing, China
Jul 2016 - Sept 2016

- Analyzed 20 historical default cases and drafted research report based on findings
- Improved internal Default Probability and Accurate Rate model based on Basel III
- Completed spreadsheet automation with VBA, and updated in-house C++ and Matlab codes

Taikang Life Insurance

Marketing Intern

Tianjin, China
Mar 2016 - Apr 2016

- Generated 500 earnings reports and conducted statistical analysis with R
- Designed 3 pitch books of newly launched product, based on product characteristics and market data
- Facilitated compilation of about 200 claims from previous year

RESEARCH & PROJECTS

Study on CNY Fixing Price Forecasting

Sept 2016 - Nov 2016

- Built model to forecast daily CNY fixing price based on CFETS currency basket weights
- Achieved forecasting accuracy with daily average 50 pips error

Tianjin Undergraduate Training Program for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Mar 2015 - Apr 2016

- Utilized Analytic Network Process and triangular fuzzy number, together with SuperDecisions software, to calculate weights of each factor
- Distributed over 2000 questionnaires and analyzed data, using SPSS to conduct correlation test
- Wrote paper "A Study on Factors Influencing Quality of Third Party Payment Platform and Evaluation System"

SKILLS

- Programming: C++, Matlab, VBA, R, Python
- Software packages: Excel, LaTeX, SPSS
- Passed Level I of the CFA Program.