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CITIZENSHIP USA

EDUCATION University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph.D., Computer Science & Engineering, April 2016

Thesis: Computational Models of Algorithmic Trading in Financial Markets

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University of California, Los Angeles

M.S., Computer Science, December 2010

Thesis: Portfolio Optimization through Data Conditioning and Aggregation

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

B.S., Electrical Engineering with Honors, May 2008

Chancellor's Scholar / James Scholar / Minors in Computer Science, Mathematics

PROFESSIONAL BlackRock New York, NY
EXPERIENCE Vice President, Data Science Team Lead – AI Labs June 2021 to present

IEX Group, Inc.New York, NYHead of Policy ResearchJan. 2020 to Oct. 2020Head of Quantitative ResearchDec. 2018 to Dec. 2019Market QualityJuly 2016 to Nov. 2018

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

Washington, DC

Fall Intern, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

Summer Intern, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

May 2014 to Aug. 2014

Microsoft ResearchNew York, NYResearch InternJune 2015 to Aug. 2015

University of Michigan, Computer Science & Engineering Ann Arbor, MI Graduate Student Research Assistant Sept. 2013 to April 2015

GMO Berkeley, CA

Equity Portfolio Management Software Engineer Intern June 2011 to Aug. 2011

CitigroupNew York, NYQuantitative Trading & Analysis Summer AnalystJune 2010 to Aug. 2010Technology Summer AnalystJune 2009 to Aug. 2009

National Center for Supercomputing Applications
Urbana, IL
Research Intern

June 2008 to Dec. 2008

Illinois Leadership Center Urbana, IL

Graf Intern Aug. 2007 to June 2008

National Instruments
Applications Engineering Intern
Austin, TX
May 2007 to Aug. 2007

#### Conference Publications

- Elaine Wah, Sébastien Lahaie, and David M. Pennock. An empirical game-theoretic analysis of price discovery in prediction markets. In 25th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI 2016), pages 510–516, 2016.
- Elaine Wah, Dylan R. Hurd, and Michael P. Wellman. Strategic market choice: Frequent call markets vs. continuous double auctions for fast and slow traders. In *Third EAI Conference on Auctions, Market Mechanisms, and their Applications* (AMMA 2015), 2015.
- Elaine Wah and Michael P. Wellman. Welfare effects of market making in continuous double auctions. In 14th International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS 2015), pages 57–66. IFAAMAS, 2015.
- Elaine Wah and Michael P. Wellman. Latency arbitrage, market fragmentation, and efficiency: A two-market model. In 14th ACM Conference on Electronic Commerce (EC 2013), pages 855–872. ACM, 2013.
- Elaine Wah, Yi Mei, and Benjamin W. Wah. Portfolio optimization through data conditioning and aggregation. In 23rd IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI 2011), pages 253–260. IEEE, 2011.

#### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- Elaine Wah, Mason Wright, and Michael P. Wellman. Welfare effects of market making in continuous double auctions. *Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research*, 59:613–650, 2017.
- Michael P. Wellman and Elaine Wah. Strategic agent-based modeling of financial markets. RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences, 3(1):104–119, 2017.
- Elaine Wah and Michael P. Wellman. Latency arbitrage in fragmented markets: A strategic agent-based analysis. *Algorithmic Finance*, 5(3-4):69–93, 2016.

#### BOOK Chapters

Elaine Wah, Stan Feldman, Francis Chung, Allison Bishop, and Daniel Aisen. A comparison of execution quality across U.S. stock exchanges. In Walter Mattli, editor, *Global Algorithmic Capital Markets*, chapter 5. Oxford University Press, 2019.

## Working Papers

Elaine Wah and Stan Feldman. Gone in sixty seconds: The cost of trading in long queues. SSRN Electronic Journal, 2018.

Elaine Wah. How prevalent and profitable are latency arbitrage opportunities on U.S. stock exchanges? SSRN Electronic Journal, 2016.

### Invited Talks

- INFORMS 2021 Annual Meeting (Virtual) Financial Market Design and the Rise of Electronic Trading Oct. 2021
- CQA Quantitative Trading Seminar 2019

  Buy High & Sell Low? How Exchange Market Structure Improves

  Performance

  New York, NY

  June 2019
- Stevens Conference on High Frequency Finance & Analytics Hoboken, NJ Latency Arbitrage in Fragmented Markets Nov. 2016
- U-M Financial Stability Conference Student Workshop
  Strategic Market Choice: Frequent Call Markets vs. Continuous
  Double Auctions for Fast and Slow Traders

  Ann Arbor, MI
  Oct. 2015
- AAMAS 2015 Doctoral Consortium Istanbul, Turkey Computational Models of Algorithmic Trading in Financial Markets May 2015
- U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, DC Frequent Call Markets and the Latency Arms Race July 2014
- Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Chicago, IL
  One-Second Call Markets and the Latency Arms Race May 2014
- U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission Washington, DC Frequent Call Markets to Eliminate Latency Arms Race Feb. 2014

	• U-M Center on Finance, Law, & Policy Seminar Latency Arbitrage, Market Fragmentation, and Efficiency: A Two-Market Model	Ann Arbor, MI July 2013
	<ul> <li>Agent-Mediated Electronic Commerce (AMEC) We Latency Arbitrage, Market Fragmentation, and Efficiency: A Two-Market Model</li> </ul>	orkshop St. Paul, MN May 2013
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul> <li>Columbia University, School of Professional Studies Adjunct Associate Faculty</li> <li>Python for Data Analysis (Spring 2023)</li> <li>Financial Data Science and Machine Learning (Fall 2021)</li> </ul>	New York, NY Aug. 2021 to Dec. 2021
	The Princeton Review GMAT Instructor / Private Tutor	Ann Arbor, MI July 2013 to Sept. 2015
	Art of Problem Solving Online School Grader, Java Programming & Math	(Remote) April 2014 to March 2015
	<ul> <li>UCLA Computer Science Department</li> <li>Teaching Assistant / Associate</li> <li>Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence (Fall 2009, Winter 2</li> <li>Mathematical Modeling &amp; Methods for Computer Science (Fall 2009)</li> </ul>	, 1 0 ,
	UIUC College of Engineering Engineering Learning Assistant	Urbana, IL Aug. 2007 to Oct. 2007
Advising Experience	<ul> <li>Lumiere Education Mentoring high school students to produce independent research papers</li> <li>U-M College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Empirical Comparison of Three Market Making Strategies (Senior Honors Thesis), Zhiyi Zhang</li> <li>U-M Summer Undergraduate Research Experience Latency Arbitrage and Market Fragmentation, Dylan Hurd</li> <li>U-M Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Improving Experimental Work Flow for a High Frequency Simulator, Noelle Hansford</li> <li>U-M EECS 599 Directed Study Background Trading Agents, Ryan Roberts</li> <li>U-M EECS 599 Directed Study Advanced Background Trading Agents, Shiva Ghose</li> <li>U-M EECS 499 Directed Study Simulating the Effects of High-Frequency Latency Arbitrage Agents on Markets, Stephen Balaban</li> </ul>	Ann Arbor, MI Winter 2013 Ann Arbor, MI Ann Arbor, MI Fall 2012 Ann Arbor, MI
Honors & Awards	<ul> <li>Graduate Awards and Scholarships</li> <li>U-M College of Engineering Distinguished Leadersh Conferred upon students of the College of Engineering who outstanding leadership ℰ service to the College, University,</li> <li>U-M Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship Awarded to outstanding doctoral students actively working dissertations that are unusually creative, ambitious, ℰ risk-</li> </ul>	have demonstrated $\&$ community $2015-2016$ on $taking$
	• IFAAMAS Pragnesh Jay Modi Best Student Paper	<b>Award</b> 2015

Selected from 127 full paper submissions in the AAMAS 2015 main track  • U-M Margaret Ayers Host Award		2015
Awarded for exceptional scholarly achievement, a sense of social responsible		
and an interest in the success of women in the academic community	07	
• U-M College of Engineering Marian Sarah Parker Prize		2015
Presented to the outstanding woman graduate student who has demonstrate	ed	
academic excellence, leadership, & outstanding contributions to the Univer		
Microsoft College Puzzle Challenge	-	2015
First Place at the University of Michigan		
• U-M College of Engineering Richard F. & Eleanor A. Towner		2014
Prize for Distinguished Academic Achievement		
Presented to the outstanding graduate student in each degree program based	d	
on research, leadership, & academic performance (1 student selected for Co		
	2011-	2013
Multi-disciplinary doctoral fellowship program focused on "Socio-Technical		
Infrastructure for Electronic Transactions" & incentive-centered design		
• SWE Lockheed Martin Corporation Scholarship		2013
• SWE Booz Allen Hamilton Information Technology Scholarship	2009.	2010
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Conference Attendance Scholarships and Grants		
• Yahoo Scholarship (GHC 2015)		2015
• CRA-W Early Career Mentoring Workshop (FCRC 2015)		2015
• AAMAS 2015 Travel Award		2015
• Rackham Conference Travel Grant (AAMAS 2015)		2015
• ACM-W Scholarship (EC 2014)		2014
• Rackham Conference Travel Grant (AMEC XV)		2013
• Rackham Conference Travel Grant (ICTAI 2011)		2011
• Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Scholarship		2009
Undergraduate Awards and Scholarships		
	2004-	2008
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• UIUC A. R. "Buck" Knight Award		2008
• Eta Kappa Nu Leadership Award		2008
• UIUC Senior 100 Honorary		2008
• UIUC Homecoming Court		2007
• UIUC Oakley Scholarship in Electrical & Computer Engineering		2006
Honeywell Hometown Solutions Corporate Scholarship		2006
• UIUC International Engineering Scholarship		2005
• UIUC William & Elizabeth Ackerman Scholarship		2004
• National Merit Scholar		2004
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#### Service Reviewing

- ACM International Conference on AI in Finance (ICAIF), *Program Committee*, 2020, 2021, 2022
- Workshop on MIning DAta for financial applicationS (MIDAS), *Program Committee*, 2022
- $\bullet$  Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) Workshop on Fair AI in Finance,  $Program\ Committee,\ 2020$
- $\bullet$  IEX Academic Research Conference (ARC),  $\textit{Co-Chair},\,2019$

# Committees

- Grace Hopper Mentoring Circles Committee, 2021
- ACM-W Scholarships Committee, 2020-present
- Grace Hopper Scholarship Review Committee, 2018
- U-M Financial Affairs Advisory Committee, 2013-2014
- UCLA Student Fee Advisory Committee, 2009–2010
- UCLA John Wooden Center Board of Governors, 2008–2010

### Volunteering & Outreach

- ACM International Conference on AI in Finance (ICAIF) Women in AI and Finance Workshop, *Breakout Session Lead*, 2020
- Data Science for All: Women's Summit, Speaker, 2019, Mentor, 2020
- Rewriting the Code, Mentor, 2018–present
- U-M Explore Graduate Studies in Computer Science & Engineering Workshop Series, *Invited Panelist*, 2014, 2018
- $\bullet$  U-M Ensemble of Computer Science & Engineering Ladies (ECSEL), Founder & Co-Chair, 2015–2016
- LeaderShape, Cluster facilitator, 2014
- 826michigan, Volunteer, 2013–2015
- Central High School, Mar Vista Gardens, Los Angeles, *Volunteer Computer Science Teacher*, 2010