

# Haipeng Gao

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## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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- AUG 2018 | Summer Intern at PayPal | San Jose, CA  
MAY 2018- | *Merchant Risk Modeling*  
Built long short-term memory networks (LSTM) in KERAS, input-output hidden Markov models in STAN and R, and Poisson process-based models in STAN to forecast merchants' loss using time-series data. Built predictive models to estimate likelihood that merchant will churn and to project the future churn rate for a segment of customers in H2O.
- AUG 2017 | Summer Intern at UNC Management Company | Chapel Hill, NC  
MAY 2017- | *Investment Strategy & Risk Management*  
Applied input-output hidden Markov models to support team's directional strategy on stock market indices. Applied change-point detection to support team's momentum strategies on indices. Programmed in R and PYTHON.

## EDUCATION

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- MAY 2019 | University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | Chapel Hill, NC  
PhD in Interdisciplinary STATISTICS and OPERATIONS RESEARCH  
Dissertation: "Bayesian Inference on Stochastic Cusp Catastrophe Models"  
Under supervision of Prof. *Chuanshu Ji*
- MAY 2015 | Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, NYU | New York, NY  
MS in MATHEMATICS
- DEC 2012 | University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | Chapel Hill, NC  
BS Highest Distinction in APPLIED MATHEMATICS, minor in MATHEMATICAL DECISION SCIENCE

## SKILLS

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- MACHINE LEARNING: h2o, Scikit-learn, R, Matlab, Stan  
DEEP LEARNING: Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch  
PROGRAMMING: Python, Java, SQL, C/C++  
CLUSTER-COMPUTING: Hadoop, Spark  
MODELING: machine learning, time-series analysis, LSTM/RNN  
hidden Markov models, stochastic differential equations

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- current | Instructor at University of North Carolina | Chapel Hill, NC  
JAN 2017- | *Department of Statistics and Operations Research*  
Taught college-level INTRODUCTION TO DATA MODELS AND INFERENCE (STOR 155) in Fall 2018, Spring 2018 and Fall 2017, Spring 2017, class size of 50 students

## INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

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- Participated in NYU Intramural Basketball in Spring 2014  
Personal investment on US equity