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Experience

Current

OTT Risk

April 2021

Data Scientist

OTT is a startup co-founded by David Soloff and Chamath Palihapitiya using machine learning to offer parametric NDBI insurance

Projects & Responsibilities:

• Developing policy pricing and risk-management infrastructure.

2017 - 2021 Northbrook, IL

SBB Research Group

Tactics Associate

SBB is a quantitative hedge fund based in the suburbs of Chicago.

Projects & Responsibilities:

- Coordinated research, risk-management, and trading of a large portfolio of OTC derivatives.
- Built complex valuation and risk management tools, based on local and stochastic volatility models, using Python, Cython, and Flask.
- Developed proprietary market signals, based on large fundamental and alternative datasets, using Tensor-Flow, MySQL, and Airflow.
- Designed and managed algorithmic trading strategies for equities, equity options, and exotic derivatives.
- Led project management of a team of software engineers, and multiple stakeholders across the firm, to implement complex internal tools and trading strategies.
- Trained interns and full-time employees in the Tactics (quantitative research) department.

Summer 2016

KCG Holdings

Chicago, IL

Quantitative Trading Intern

KCG was a major, global high frequency trading firm and market maker.

Projects & Responsibilities:

- Researched proprietary trading signals using statistical and machine learning methods.
- Analyzed massive, complex datasets using Python, Vertica, and Scikit-Learn.
- Collaborated with traders and other interns on the US equities desk.

2014 - 2017

Center for Complex Systems Research

Urbana, IL

Student Researcher

CCSR is an interdisciplinary research group based in the physics department at UIUC.

Projects & Responsibilities:

- Utilized Mathematica to model the Coulomb blockade in nanocapacitors, resulting in a publication.
- Participated in weekly meetings with Dr. Alfred Hubler and an interdisciplinary research team.

Education

2014 - 2017

College of Engineering University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Urbana, IL

Bachelor of Science Physics | Minor Mathematics

3.71/4.00 GPA. Degree completed in three years.

Awards: James Scholar, Dean's List

Course work in: Numerical PDEs, Differential Geometry, and Probability Theory

Publications

March 2018

Large energy density in three-plate nanocapacitors due to Coulomb blockade.

Journal of Applied Physics

with Alfred Hubler, S. Foreman, and J. Liu

Worked with Dr. Hubler to develop theory, ran simulations in Mathematica, and wrote the majority of the paper.