KUAN YANG

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EDUCATION

Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

MSc in Mathematical and Computational Finance

Sept. 2021 - Jul. 2022

• Coursework: Financial derivatives, Statistics and Financial data analysis, Asset pricing, Quantitative risk management, Fixed income, Market microstructure and Algorithmic trading, Deep learning, Financial computing with C++

Cuiying Honors College, Lanzhou University

Lanzhou, China

BSc with Honors in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics

Sept. 2017 - Jun. 2021

- GPA & Honors: 91.63/100 (1/184), Scholarship: National Scholarship (<1%), University Merit (<1%)
- **Coursework:** Martingales, Markov processes, Brownian motion, Mathematical modelling and simulation, Measure theory, Probability theory, C & C++ programming, ODEs, Numerical analysis, Optimisation

School of Mathematics, University of Leeds

Leeds, UK

Exchange, nominated by Ministry of Education and Lanzhou University with full scholarship and stipend

Sept. 2019 - Feb. 2020

• GPA 90.43/100, Coursework: Statistics, Python, R, Functional analysis, PDEs, Numerical methods

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Trading Department (Prop Trading), TaiLong Bank

Shanghai, China

Quantitative Researcher, Market Modelling and Trading Strategy Developing for Bonds

Aug. 2021 - present

- Model: Based on Per-5-sec High frequency data, 6% more accurate, and 23% faster, compared to the XGBoost model, by
- Non-parametric Random Forest model, returning binary data marking price up and down, instead of the actual value
- Take Path Signature of stock price as predictors. Path Signature could compress stream of data, but reflect its critical dynamics
- Embed the bond price with the issuer's stock price and extract the correlation between two assets by Signature method
- Strategy: Achieve an annual return of 22.7% and a max draw-down of 9.3% for 400 typically selected bonds, by
 - Incorporate short-term alpha to respond to sudden market fluctuations, and to avoid adverse selection risks
 - Model long-term reversion process by using historical data

PROJECTS

Study on stochastic and machine-learning modelling for application in physics Chun-Tsung Fellowship (<1%, 1st in competition)

Highest Grant, Value: GBP 4,000, Sponsored by Nobel Laureate Dr. Tsung-Dao Lee & Lanzhou University

Sept. 2018 - present

- Mathematical modelling study targeted at cross-disciplinary application; incorporated stochastic systems for physics mechanism
- Apply Markov random fields to simulate evolution of massive correlated particles and to reduce the memory usage for simulation
- Selected peer-reviewed papers & conference presentations
 - Modelling the RS Behavior in Titanium Oxide Based RRAM Device, (SCI Q1, IF: 3.9), First author (modelling), Minor revision
 - A Markov Random Field Simulation for Functional Information Storage, Plenary talk, 22nd. Chun Tsung Annual Conference

Signature method in analysis and prediction of stock markets

China Plateau Plan Innovative Project (Distinction)

Value: GBP 1,500 with 10,000 CPU hours, Sponsored by Lanzhou University

Dec. 2020 - Jun. 2021

- Extending predictions: 20% more accurate than Regression model when using produced predictions as the next training set
- Reduce reliance on timeliness: accuracy is over 68% when training set (12 mo data) has a time gap of 3 mo with test set
- Cross training and prediction: accuracy of 74% if data is trained on one stock but tested on a correlated one

Analysis of dynamical systems: An Eigenvalue method from Spectral theory

Invited Project with Prof. Alex Strohmaier

Supported by School of Mathematics, University of Leeds

Jul. 2020 - present

- Use Eigen-features that are easy to compute to characterize complicated dynamical systems; method extends to stock markets
- Apply Finite Element method to solve and predict evolution of dynamical systems with singularities and special boundaries
- Conference presentation: Eigenvalue Problems on Manifold and Changes of Mesh, MEsh Generation and Applications Symposium

Mathematical Contest of Modelling: Optimal strategy to cross the desert

Led a team of 3, National Prize winner

Need to: Cross the desert in unknown weather, earn money by mining in desert to cover food cost, and maximize remaining money

- C++ based Dynamical Programming for route plan; prune for computational efficiency; transform the problem by Graph theory
- Use simulations to numerically solve the high-dimensional gaming problem, and compute the expected revenues

LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTARY WORK

Changzhou Regional COVID-19 Epidemic Prevention Headquarter

Voluntary Technician for Modelling

• Construct SIR based model; reduce error of R ratio from small samples; optimise COVID test workflow by operational research

Quest on William Hotel Pty

Voluntary Analyst for Market Strategy and Revenue

Design stochastic model to simulate market reactions; propose pricing strategy under COVID-19; win donation for my University

INTEGRATED SKILLS

- Coding: Proficient: C/C++, Linux/UNIX, MTEX, Python, MATLAB; Intermediate: R, HTML, Markdown, Freefem++, CUDA
- Language: Chinese (Native in Mandarin and Shanghainese), English (Fluent, IELTS:8)