

## EDUCATION

### MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

*Candidate for Master of Finance, February 2026*

Cambridge, MA

2024 - Present

- Concentration in Financial Engineering
- Anticipated Coursework: Financial Mathematics, Fundamentals of Probability, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Financial Engineering

### WILLIAMS COLLEGE

*Bachelor of Arts degree Computer Science, Chinese*

Williamstown, MA

2020 - 2024

- GPA: 3.8/4.0, Dean's List 2020-2024, SAT Math 770, English 790
- Select Coursework: Data Structures, Algorithms, Machine Learning, Theory of Computation, Diff Equations

## EXPERIENCE

### PNC BANK

*Summer Quantitative Analyst*

Manhattan, NY

Summer 2023

- Engaged in building a trading engine in a team of 5, developing FIX protocol expertise, low latency database creation, and connector module implementation. Blueprinted rules-based engine vs ML implementation.
- Implemented a customer default early warning signal model utilizing Spark via real-time quantitative data. The model is used by risk and analytics teams to better cater to the bank's clients.

### CROSS RIVER BANK

*Research Intern, Crypto Team*

Fort Lee, NJ

Summer 2022

- Researched Crypto lending industry and performed competitor analysis on 8 token providers, evaluating effects of the bear market on token prices, on-chain impacts, token liquidity, and regulatory landscape.
- Collaborated with research team to analyze impact of current events in crypto space and provide strategic recommendations. Contributed to development of Cross River's lending and exchange products.

### WHOOO'S READING

*Data Science Intern*

San Diego, CA

Summer 2021

- Collaborated directly with the CTO to implement an NLP-based machine learning model for detecting restated questions in grade school students' open-ended responses.
- Delivered impactful presentations on progress and new findings to company leadership, including the CEO.

### WILLIAMS COLLEGE

*Teaching Assistant for Applied Statistics*

Williamstown, MA

Fall 2021

- Guided a group of 40 students through weekly 2 hour help sessions, taught regression and probability concepts. Reviewed and graded problem sets, helped students prepare for exams, created answer keys.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### EXPLORATION OF TRADING ALGORITHMS

*Personal Project*

Williamstown, MA

Fall 2023

- Implemented trading algorithms in Python, utilizing MSFT and SNP daily close price data. Strategies including mean reversion, donchian channels, basic SMA. Also engineered features for Random forest strategy.

### CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS

*Research Project, Violin Image Classification*

Williamstown, MA

Spring 2024

- Implemented a convolutional neural network leveraging 100,000 images of violins. The model can detect parts of a violin based on an input image. Preliminary research submission: [pdf.ac/1omeom](https://pdf.ac/1omeom)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Personal Projects: [github.com/ArjunChidrawar](https://github.com/ArjunChidrawar)
- Skills: Proficient with Python, Java, F#, Sklearn, Pytorch, C, some C++, some Spark, some R
- Language: Advanced level in Mandarin Chinese, Fluent in Marathi (Indian language spoken by 80 mil+ people)
- Interests: Chess, Poker, Skiing, Golf, Badminton, Classical Piano, Language learning