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Summary

Passionate and detail-oriented master's candidate in quantitative finance with 5-year investment experience and cryptocurrency trading experience, confident in developing trading strategies, analyzing large data sets and performing market research, able to work with highly technical teams in a fast-paced and challenging environment; actively seeking full-time opportunities for 2025

- **Technical Skills:** Python, Java, R, MS Office, Bloomberg, Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After Effects
- **Financial Skills:** Portfolio Management, Risk Management, Machine Learning, Derivative Pricing, Statistical Analysis, Trading, Mathematical Modeling, Financial Statement Analysis, Equity Research, Fixed Income Analysis, Accounting
- **Certifications:** FRM Candidate (Exam 1 in Nov. 2024), SOA Candidate (Exam P in Nov. 2024)

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, MI

Master of Science in Quantitative Finance and Risk Management

Sep. 2023 – Apr. 2025 (Expected)

Coursework: Machine Learning, International Fin. Mgmt. - Currency Markets, Computational Finance, Analysis for Finance

Cumulative GPA: 3.3/4.0

New York University

New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Joint Major of Mathematics and Economics

May 2023

Cumulative GPA: 3.64/4.0 (Top 20%); Honor: Dean's List (2020)

Coursework: Mathematics of Finance, Numerical Analysis, Statistical Analysis, Linear and Nonlinear Optimization

Internship Experience

PFPA Financial Consulting Company | *Financial Risk Modeling Intern* | Remote

Jun. 2024 – Aug. 2024

- Worked with 8 colleagues to conduct quantitative analysis and implementation of credit risk rating models for public companies
- Implemented financial statement analysis, options pricing, and credit risk rating theories, proving the validity of KMV model
- Identified limitations in KMV rating scores, implemented Time-Consistent (TiC) risk rating model based on DD and EDF scores
- Programmed data acquisition, data processing, calculation, and logging modules in Python, applied the TiC model to 50+ companies globally with Python and machine learning, assisted in model validation, and shared results and insights with colleagues

Research Experience

Cryptocurrency Trading Algorithm | *Algorithm Designer and Trader* | Ann Arbor, MI

Jan. 2022 – Present

Developed an automatic investing system based on price and volatility modeling with Python and R, realized 24/7 automatic decision-making and high-frequency algorithmic trading, earned 50% return from March 2024 till now with less than 15% drawdown

- Modeled Bitcoin option price and volatility with ARIMA and GARCH, and researched trading strategies and their compatibility
- Designed and implemented decision-making and operating frameworks for a hybrid algorithm based on Price-Channel and grid-trading, optimizing decision-making and liquidation parameters with regression and grid-search methods in backtests
- Enhanced statistical analysis, machine learning, and Python programming skills, and designed a showcasing website with Javascript

Kaggle "Home Credit - Credit Risk Model Stability" Competition | *Programmer* | Ann Arbor, MI

Jan. 2024 – May 2024

Worked with 3 classmates, modeled and predicted the likelihood of clients' credit loan default with Python and deep learning

- Conducted data cleaning with a 27-gigabyte dataset containing 1,526,659 cases, reduced the dimensionality with PCA and IV, and trained Logistic Regression, Random Forest, LightGBM, and CatBoost models with Python
- Ensembled basic learners with Soft-Voting, and developed a Neural Network model taking predictions from basic learners as inputs
- Generated credit-risk based predictions with 0.97 of accuracy and 0.69 of recall, regarding confusion matrices and F-scores

Comparison Analysis and General Guidance of Consensus Algorithms | Thomas Chen | Online

Jun. 2022 – Sep. 2022

- Led a team of 3 to analyze the pros and cons and differences of popular consensus algorithms quantitatively and qualitatively
- Analyzed 11 cryptocurrencies in 5 major categories of consensus algorithms, generalized 15 factors from security, performance, decentralization, and energy efficiency perspectives, and generated factorial scores and the overall comparison of algorithms
- Designed detailed depictions of results, composed a 40-page report to support future consensus algorithm developments

Compatibility of Qualitative Models in Real-world Financial Behaviors | New York University

Aug. 2021 – Dec. 2021

- Collected and filtered 85 fundamental factors, 15 psychological factors and 19 technical trading factors from Bloomberg
- Identified the relationship between the factors and the aggregate stock prices with R and Excel statistical analysis packages
- Applied regression and hypothesis tests to examine correlations between directional impact factors and stock prices using R
- Composed a 20-page analytical report and presented research results to 30 classmates

Chinese Everbright Bank Cyber Security System Project | Beijing, CN

Jun. 2021 – Aug. 2021

- Designed improvement strategies for the bank in cyber security technology, management, and operation with 20 colleagues
- Collected and analyzed national policies regarding cyber security of the banking industry, composed an analytical report
- Participated in 7 interviews, collected interview reports and composed "the China Everbright Bank Report on the Current Information Security Situation" and "the Private Cloud and Public Cloud Security Operation White Paper of the Sports Lottery"