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keywords: optimization, machine learning, software development, quantitative research

### Education

PhD Student in Electronic and Computer Engineering

Fall 2019 – Spring 2023 (expected)

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong

Topic: Probabilistic graphical models for financial markets

*CGA:* 3.74/4.3

B.Eng. in Electrical Engineering Class of 2019

Federal University of Campina Grande, Brazil

Visiting Student – Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Fall 2014 – Spring 2015

The Catholic University of America, USA University of Maryland at College Park, USA

Brazil Scientific Mobility Program, Fully funded scholarship recipient

# **Professional Experience**

Teaching Assistant Feb 2020 – Current

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong

Courses: Data-driven Portfolio Optimization, Convex Optimization, Portfolio Optimization with R

Research Scientist Intern Summer 2021

Shell Street Labs, BFAM Partners, Hong Kong

Developed Python tools to perform FX portfolio optimization and equity market regime identification for the systematic strategies team.

Scientific Software Engineering Intern

Mar 2017 – Feb 2018

National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Ames Research Center, Silicon Valley, CA, USA

Kepler/K2 Guest Observer Office

Developed open source Python code to assist scientists get the most out of NASA Kepler/K2/TESS time series data.

Google Summer of Code Student Summer 2016

The AstroPy Project

Project title: Point spread function photometry for fitting overlapping stars simultaneously

Developed open source Python code to fit Gaussian mixture models to stellar images.

Undergraduate Guest Researcher Summer 2015

National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA

Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology

Nanofabrication Research Group

Developed MATLAB code to automatically localize nanoemitters in optical microscopy images.

**Volunteering Experience** 

Deputy AstroPy Google Summer of Code Coordinator

Fall 2019 – Current

Deputy coordinator for the AstroPy project in the Google Summer of Code program Organizing the AstroPy efforts towards participating in the Google Summer of Code.

Google Summer of Code Mentor and Organization Administrator

Summer 2018 – Current

Admin and mentor for the OpenAstronomy organization during the Google Summer of Code Managing the OpenAstronomy efforts towards participating in the Google Summer of Code.

## **Project Proposals**

#### NASA Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite Proposal

Uniform Light Curves Across the Entire Sky from TESS FFIs with ELEANOR

Principal Investigators: Dr. Benjamin Montet (University of Chicago) and Dr. Jacob Bean (University of Chicago)

#### NASA Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite Proposal

2018

Performing The Most Comprehensive Exoplanet Survey Of The Southern Sky With TESS Full Frame Images Principal Investigator: Dr. Benjamin Montet (University of Chicago)

### **Selected Publications**

For a complete list of my publications, please refer to my Google Scholar profile https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=ilvNpCoAAAAJ&hl=en.

- 1. **Cardoso, JVM**, Ying J, Palomar, DP. Graphical Models in Heavy-Tailed Markets. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, Dec. 2021. Acceptance rate: 26.0%.
- 2. Ying, J, Cardoso, JVM, Palomar, DP. Minimax Estimation of Laplacian Constrained Precision Matrices. *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, Apr. 2021. Acceptance rate: 29.8%.
- 3. Ying, J, Cardoso, JVM, Palomar, DP. Nonconvex Sparse Graph Learning under Laplacian-structured Graphical Model. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, Dec. 2020. Acceptance rate: 20.1%.
- 4. **Cardoso**, **JVM**, Palomar, DP. Learning undirected graphs in financial markets, 54th Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers, Sept. 2020.
- 5. Kumar, S, Ying, J, **Cardoso, JVM**, Palomar, DP. A unified framework for structured graph learning via spectral constraints. *Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR)*, Jan. 2020.
- 6. Kumar, S, Ying, J, **Cardoso**, **JVM**, Palomar, DP. Structured graph learning via Laplacian spectral constraints. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, Dec. 2019. Acceptance rate: 21.6%.
- 7. **Lightkurve Collaboration**, et. al. Lightkurve: Kepler and TESS time series analysis in Python. Astrophysics Source Code Library, 2018.
- 8. Price-Whelan, AM, et. al. The Astropy Project: Building an open-science project and status of the v2.0 Core Package, *The Astronomical Journal* 156, 2018.
- 9. Davanco, MI, Liu, J, Sapienza, L, Zhang, CZ, **Cardoso**, **JVM**, Verma, V, Mirin, R, Nam, SW, Srinivasan, K. Heterogeneous integration for on-chip quantum photonic circuits with single quantum dot devices. *Nature Communications*, 2017.

#### **Awards**

- 1. Full travel funding to attend the workshop *Preparing for TESS*, Flatiron Institute, New York City, USA, 2018
- Selected to the workshop Python in Astronomy, Leiden, The Netherlands, 2017
- 3. Selected, with full travel funding, to the São Paulo School of Advanced Science on Nanophotonics, São Paulo, Brazil, 2016
- 4. Travel Grant (U\$ 2000,00) by the Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineers to attend the IEEE APS Meeting 2016

## Competencies

**Coding:** Python, R, C/C++, git/GitHub, Unix shell, unit tests, continuous integration/development

Courses: Convex Optimization, Stochastic Processes, Deep Learning Architectures, Topological and Geometric Data Analysis

## **Open-source Projects on GitHub**

- ▷ riskparity.py: optimization of risk parity portfolios in Python (160+ stars on GitHub)

2019