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MATHEMATICAL FINANCE · STATISTICS

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Skills

Programming	Proficient in R, MATLAB, SQL, Excel/VBA and SAS (Certified Advanced Programmer for SAS 9) Experience in Python, C, Scheme, C++, JAVA and Unix/Linux
Financial Engineering	Option Pricing Modelling, Monte Carlo Simulation, Time Series Analysis, Stochastic Process
Data Science	Exploratory Data Analysis, Data Visualization, Principal Component Analysis, Regression Modelling
Markup	T _E X, HTML, Markdown
Languages	English, Mandarin

Education

Candidate for Bachelor of Mathematics

Sept. 2017 - Exp. Aug. 2022

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Waterloo, Canada

- Majors in Mathematical Finance and Statistics
- Minors in Pure Mathematics and Combinatorics & Optimization

Research Experience

Undergraduate Research Assistant

May. 2020 - Dec. 2020

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO, SUPERVISED BY PROF. BEN FENG

Waterloo, Canada

- In-depth study on efficient nested simulation for pricing exotic options and variable annuities
- Completed the theoretical properties and proofs for kernel-based Monte Carlo method for American option pricing

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Dec. 2019 - Apr. 2020

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO, SUPERVISED BY PROF. BEN FENG

Waterloo, Canada

- In-depth study on pricing and hedging of large portfolios of variable annuities
- Analyzed, updated and maintained the R package `vamc` (A Monte Carlo Valuation Framework for Variable Annuities)
- Working paper: "vamc: An R Package for Variable Annuity Valuation by Monte Carlo Simulation"

Working Experience

Quantitative Research

Jan. 2020 - Apr. 2020

TRIUMPH ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. (FORMERLY ONE SIXTY TWO CAPITAL INC.)

Toronto, Canada

- Developed a portfolio optimization strategy reducing $\sim 30\%$ portfolio dimension while maintaining the tracking error below 10^{-7} , reducing $\sim 25\%$ execution cost
- Designed various portfolio analysis and construction functions using R (block bootstrapping, principal component analysis, etc.)
- Conducted exploratory data analysis visualizing and reporting portfolio performance
- Built up R packages for report templates (portfolio analysis, factor exposure analysis, etc.)

Financial Engineering

Jan. 2019 - Apr. 2019

IBM CANADA LMT.

Toronto, Canada

- Significantly improved regression test efficiency by analyzing, merging and removing 300+ test cases under Linux environment
- Validated financial model functions according to clients' request and created validation spreadsheets and benchmarks for RiskWatch model verification and regression test using Excel/VBA
- Generated formal financial specs explaining the model validation process
- Developed strong problem-solving abilities by debugging and polishing existing model validation code
- Created a 14-page formal financial work report with an in-depth study on interest rate risk scenario analysis in asset-liability management

Financial Analyst Assistant

May. 2018 - Aug. 2018

INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK OF CHINA

Nanjing, China

- Aggregated large datasets (40,000+ pieces) using Excel and Pivot Tables to meet business requirements
- Generated quarterly Financial Management and Investment Risk Monitoring Analysis reports and Comprehensive Risk Management reports
- Regrated 180 clients of ICBC in the internal grading management system based on their credit
- Outreached and successfully invited the 5 biggest Chinese asset management companies' managers to ICBC's non-performing assets bidding conferences

Activities

Bayesian Risk Management Case Competition - Second Place

Oct. 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Waterloo, Canada

- Conducted in-depth analysis and prediction on the company's profitability using discounted cash flow model and linear regression model
- Collaborated with 3 other students and delivered a 10-minute presentation, achieving the second place

BDO New Venture Competition - Semi-Finalist

Sept. 2017 - Apr. 2018

BDO CANADA

Waterloo, Canada

- Analyzed business environment with business models (PEST, Porter's Five Forces) to build up a new business called LocFresh
- Conducted market research and investigated potential customers through online surveys and in-person interviews
- Collaborated with 4 other students and created a 15-page formal business report presenting findings on LocFresh's potential market, competitiveness, revenue model, etc.
- Demonstrated excellent public speaking skills, delivering a 10-minute presentation, reaching semi-finals (top 45 among 250 groups)

Awards

2021	University of Waterloo President's Research Award	Waterloo, Canada
2020	Mitacs Research Training Award	Waterloo, Canada
2020	University of Waterloo President's Research Award	Waterloo, Canada
2017	University of Waterloo President's Scholarship of Distinction	Waterloo, Canada

Interests

- Go, Robotics, Model Airplanes, Basketball, Guitar and Old Movies
- Jiangsu Provincial Teenager GO Contest - First Place
- Jiangsu Provincial WER (World Educational Robot) Contest - First Price
- Jiangsu Provincial Wireless Model Airplanes Race - First Price