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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, U.S.A. Sept. 2021 - Jun. 2025

B.S. in Applied Mathematics with Specialization in Computing

B.S. in Statistics and Data Science

GPA: 3.94 *Dean's Honored List*

Related Courses: Multi-variable Calculus, Linear Algebra (with proof), Differential Equations (Introduction, Nonlinear Systems, Ordinary), Real & Complex Analysis, Numerical Methods, Optimization, Statistical Models in Finance, Stochastic Process, Theory of Interest and Applications, Mathematical Modeling, Machine Learning, Algorithms, Probability and Statistics, R language: Data Analysis and Regression, Computational Statistics & Optimization with R, Introduction to Computer Science I, II (C++), Python with Applications I, II

PROJECT AND INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Quantitative Research Intern, Financial Engineering Group, Changjiang Securities, Shanghai, China Aug. 2024 - Sept. 2024

Position: Quantitative Research Intern

- Conducted quantitative stock selection by researching and developing factor-based strategies using large statistical models.
- Utilized Python and other statistical techniques to mine factors that drive stock performance, contributing to the development of predictive models.
- Collaborated with senior analysts to backtest trading strategies.

Quantitative Research Intern at Guo Hong Asset Management, China Jun. 2024 - July. 2024

Position: Quantitative Research Intern

- Developed and implemented a novel stock selection strategy using the Turnover Rate Convergence Factor (TRCF), processing large-scale financial datasets and conducting empirical analysis through Python to evaluate its predictive power in market behavior.
- Used a sophisticated Cutlets of Turnover Rate (CTR) factor model to capture investor heterogeneity, achieving enhanced predictive ability for future stock returns through integration of overnight returns data and advanced filtering techniques.
- Performed comprehensive statistical analysis including Information Coefficient (IC) calculations, t-tests, and portfolio simulations, demonstrating significant improvements in strategy performance through various rebalancing frequencies and sampling methods.
- Constructed and backtested portfolios based on factor scores, evaluating strategy performance through key metrics including Sharpe ratios, annualized returns, and maximum drawdowns to validate investment effectiveness.

Quantitative Analysis for Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD), CAM Applied Math REU Program, UCLA Jun. 2023 - Aug. 2023

Position: Co-author, Paper: *AIYDA Activities in Gang Reduction: Comprehensive Evaluation and Peer Network Analysis*

- Spearheaded data optimization, performing meticulous cleaning and rearrangement of collected datasets.
- Engaged in comprehensive literature reviews, employing the Linear-in-Means Model and Dynamic Mode Decomposition to assess GRYD effectiveness.
- Engineered a Python-based network model, leading to pivotal data insights. This work culminated in the co-authored research paper aforementioned, published in Dec. 2023.

General Universal Convolution Study, collaboration with Prof. Greg. Dresden, Washington & Lee University Jun. 2021 - Feb. 2022

Position: Co-author, Paper: *General Universal Convolution*

- Undertook exhaustive research on k -bonacci sequence convolutions, synthesizing pivotal insights from past studies.
- Anchored in a robust foundation of number theory techniques, co-authored the papers accepted by *Mathematics*

Magazine.

Advanced Mathematical Research on k -bonacci & k -Lucas Sequences, collaboration with Prof. Greg. Dresden, Washington & Lee University

Jan. 2021 - May. 2021

Position: Co-author, Paper: *Sums and Convolutions of k -bonacci & k -Lucas Numbers*

- Delved into the intricacies of generalized Fibonacci sequences, drawing significant conclusions.
- Collaboratively produced the paper earning a publication spot in *Integers* 2021, #A56.

Researcher at Prof. Ozcan's Deep Learning Lab, UCLA

Sept. 2023 - Present

Position: Student Researcher

- Mastered Deep Learning knowledge and adopted them into Endoscopic pixel analysis
- Cultivated skills in mathematical modeling and real-world problem-solving techniques.
- Presented findings in a comprehensive report, leveraging the neural network model's outputs.

Option Pricing Prediction Deep Learning Project, UCLA

Jan. 2024 - Mar. 2024

Position: Co-author

- Conducted research on using 1D-Convolutional Neural Network in Pytorch to predict intrinsic values of both call and put options.
- Constructed the CNN model in Python and all training, validation, and testing, analyzed results in depth and did visualization.

Image Classification of *Simpsons* Animation Deep Learning Project, UCLA

Jan. 2024 - Mar. 2024

Position: Co-author

- Developed and implemented 2D CNN model in PyTorch to accurately identify and categorize characters based on visual features extracted from animation frames.
- Contributed to the project's design, data preprocessing, model training, and evaluation phases, resulting in a robust and efficient character recognition system.

NBA Champion Prediction Deep Learning Project, UCLA

Apr. 2023 - Jun. 2023

Position: Co-author

- Cultivated skills in mathematical modeling and real-world problem-solving techniques.
- Pioneered a Python-implemented deep learning model with peers, forecasting the NBA 2023 Champion, backed by data from official sources. This analysis yielded a successful prediction 2 days before the final result.
- Compiled and presented findings in a comprehensive report, leveraging the neural network model's outputs.

Research Assistant at Prof. Dolocek's QKD Lab, UCLA

Feb. 2023 - Aug. 2023

Position: Student Researcher

- Learned LDPC Related knowledge, run complex C++ programs and produced test results for Non-Binary LDPC.
- Conducted various visualizations using R for Non-Binary LDPC related design data.

Mini Interactive Board Game Project in C++

Jan. 2023 - Mar. 2023

Position: Author

- Developed a C++ game featuring player avatars interacting with bank squares on a game board.
- Implemented functionalities including coin transactions, enemy interactions with vortexes, and random teleportation with subtle design.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Chinese Calligraphy Club at UCLA, Los Angeles

Sept. 2021 - Now

Position: President of the Club

- Pioneered the establishment of the club, promoting cultural exchange and enriching UCLA's cultural tapestry.
- Supervised and facilitated weekly lectures on calligraphy, seminars on Chinese characters, and held extensive cultural exhibitions, notably in May 2022.
- Championed the Lunar New Year 2023 & 2024 celebration, sharing insights into festive cultural knowledge.
- Conducted yearly recruitment drives and spearheaded fundraising endeavors, propelling the club's continued success.

SKILLS

- Languages: English(Fluent), Mandarin (Native), Cantonese (Fluent)
- Computer Skills: Python, R, C++, SQL, Git, MATLAB, HTML
- Software: Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), LaTeX, Markdown, Visual Studio