Dan Wang

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EDUCATION

Stevens Institute of Technology

Hoboken, NJ

Doctor of Philosophy & Master in Financial Engineering (Machine Learning), GPA: 4.00

Expected May. 2021

Beihang University

Beijing, China

Bachelor of Science in Optical Information

July. 2015

SKILLS & CERTIFICATION

Languages: Python(Advanced), MATLAB(Advanced), C++, SQL, VBA, q, R, Julia

Certification: Level III CFA candidate; Certified Base Programmer for SAS 9

Research

Machine Learning in Credit Rating (Joint Work with UBS)

Hoboken, NJ

Applying Deep Neural Network and NLP to predict quarterly and daily corporate rating

Aug. 2018 - Present

- Study best architecture to assess corporate credit rating using machine learning algorithms (SVM, CNN, LSTM).
- o Investigated the CNN model power by encoding 1D financial statement data into 2D image.
- Feature selection in Energy sector with genetic algorithm, feature permutation, feature null importance method.
- Adopted NLP techniques (Doc2Vec, Bag-of-Words, TF-IDF) to transform an unstructured textual financial report into a numeric vector, which enables Machine Learning algorithms accept it as an input.

Alpha Driven Trading Competition

Hoboken, NJ

Building an algorithm trading system driven by Alpha signal using cross-sectional method

Nov. 2018 - Mar. 2019

- o Constructed database by scraping exchange data (Price and Volume) and fundamental data from Bloomberg.
- Built a back-tested platform to seek alpha signal using cross sectional model and technique analysis method.
- Constructed a portfolio optimization problem with Beta target and Dollar neutral.
- Built an automate order place system servers for CQA trading competition using selenium.

Markets Volatility Transmission

Hoboken, NJ

Investigating volatility contagion effect in global markets using high frequency time series model Nov. 2018 - Present

- Decomposed BEKK-GARCH model into volatility spillover using Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).
- Analyzed the influence of volatility spillover for global markets in high frequency (intraday) level.

Working Experience

Financial Analyst

New York, NY

Morningstar

May. 2020 - Present

- o IR impact study: Designed and developed credit rating platform for US RMBS and Student Loan predictive model for interest rating impact study.
- Cash flow Model: Modeled EU Surveillance transactions using Intex Dealmaker and IntexCalc.

Adjunct Faculty Instructor

Hoboken, NJ

School of Business, Stevens Institute of Technology

Aug. 2018 - Present

- Course Instructor: Introduction to Python for Financial Applications.
- o Teaching Assistant: Machine Learning in Finance; Financial Market Microstructure & Trading Strategies.

Algorithmic Trader Fall Analyst

Hoboken, NJ

Fair Value Partner Inc

Sep 2017 - Oct 2017

- Developed a system to scrape and clean treasury bond data from Thomson Reuters using python API.
- Built a hierarchical machine learning models in Python for determining Cheapest To Delivery bond for basis trading, and built a back-tested model to simulate PnL for trading strategy.

SELECTED PUBLICATION

- D. Wang, T. Wang and I. Florescu, "Is Image Encoding Beneficial for Deep Learning in Finance?" IEEEInternet of Things Journal, doi: 10.1109/JIOT.2020.3030492.
- P. Golbayani, D. Wang, and I. Florescu, "Application of Deep Neural Networks to assess corporate Credit Rating." arXiv preprint arXiv, 2003.02334 (2020).
- Y Zhou, L Han, and D Wang, "A moment-based criterion for determining the number of components in the normal mixture model", Journal of systems Engineering and Electronics, Vol. 28, No. 4, August 2017.