

# Xinran Liu

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## Education

**Reed College, B.A. in Mathematics**, with Computer Science Minor

Expected May 2024

*Portland, OR*

- Awards: Commendations for Academic Excellence 2021-22, 2022-23
- Relevant Courses: Macro Economics; Micro Economics; Data Science; Statistical Learning; Algorithm & Data Structures; Probability; Economics and Law; Cryptography; Intro to C/C++.
- **Senior Thesis:** Year-long project on hardness of sampling from the output distribution of quantum circuits.

## Experiences

**IPO Department Intern** | in the sector of Data Monitoring and Big Data SAAS

Jun – Aug 2023

*China International Capital Corporation*

*Beijing, China*

- Compiled Excel sheet with 5k datapoint to collect and analyze financial and operational statistics of 12 publicly-listed companies in the Big Data Platform sector;
- Advised client on prospectus crafting and identified selling points in both technical and financial aspects by studying client's software & hardware technologies and comparing key statistics with collected companies;
- Presented 3 comprehensive case studies on recent IPO rejections and withdrawals of similar companies;
- Facilitated over 10 due diligence interviews w/client senior execs in Tech, HR, etc. and followed up on ambiguous or unreconciled data. Produced over 80 pages minutes.

**Research Assistant** | Econ Summer Research: Trade, Migration, and Inequality

May – Nov 2022

*Reed College Economics Department*

*Portland, OR*

- Collected, wrangled, and analyzed 15k datapoint statistics from open resource to investigate the correlation between migration measures, tariff, and average wage in China from 1998 to 2021 using R and MS Excel;
- Generated two interactive geospatial heatmaps using R shiny and 10+ visualizations to demonstrate the correlations between provincial migration and other factors;
- Drew insights from the empirical analysis and adapted the key assumptions and parameters of the economic model of China's provincial migration in response to trade liberalization;
- Conducted comprehensive literature review in economic journals AEJ/AER, and wrote out data descriptions by investigating the application range and relevance of the commonly used data sources.

## Relevant Projects

**Multiplayer Matching Game** | Independent Project

*Portland, OR*

- Designed an open matching game by learning HTML, CSS, and JavaScript in a two-week Web Application Hackathon;
- Implemented the game with multiplayer functionality through socket.io.

**Kaggle Competition** | Advanced Regression Technique in House Price Project Team

*Portland, OR*

- Conducted exploratory data analysis (EDA) using R on a 1040 x 79 house pricing dataset to understand its data structure;
- Applied appropriate data transformations, and evaluated the applicability of various models to the data type;
- Trained selected models using R on the training set and predict the housing price. Compared performances of forward / backward regression, Lasso regression and tree model under different evaluation metrics.

## Relevant Skills

- **General:** Financial Analysis; Data Analysis & Visualizations; Quantitative Research; Risk Assessment.
- **Computer:** [Proficient] in R, MS Office; [Fluent] in Python, JavaScript; [Beginner] in C, C++.
- **Languages:** [Native] in Chinese; [Fluent] in English; [Beginner] in Japanese.

## Activities

**Cast Member& Soloist & Stage Director** | Music Production | 2017 – Present

- Coordinated lighting, props, and sounding crews for musical performances; perform as soloist in seasonal concerts;
- Member of the Big Mouth Society at Portland, OR.

**Freelance Photography** | Independent | 2023 – Present

- Work as short term photographer for local musical performances.

**Other Interests:** Analog & Digital photography, Snowboarding, Bouldering, Biking, Red Cross First Aid Certified