# Mohammed Zain Mughal

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## **Education**

### Imperial College London - Physics MSci

Oct 2022 - Jun 2026

- Predicted 1:1 (First Class Honours).
- Comprehensive study of Differential Equations, Probability Analysis and Distributions, Monte Carlo methods, Regression Analysis, Multivariate Statistical methods, Data Science and Machine Learning.
- Imperial BPES modules: Accounting & Finance completed; Business Economics ongoing

### **Bishopshalt School**

Sep 2020 - Aug 2022

• Achieved 3 A\*s at A-levels in Maths, Physics, and Computer Science.

### Rosedale College

Sep 2015 - Aug 2020

- Achieved 13 GCSEs with grades 9 to 8 including Maths and English, and 2 Distinctions.
- Valedictorian, recognised for academic excellence and leadership qualities.

# **Professional Experience**

### Personal Trader - Portfolio Manager

Feb 2020 - Present

- Developed a diversified portfolio using quantitative strategies, achieving an average annual return of 18%, outperforming major benchmarks through a combination of data-driven analysis and systematic risk management.
- Engaged in short-term algorithmic trading by leveraging technical indicators and predictive models, attaining a 75% success rate in trades, with emphasis on volatility exploitation and rapid market adaptation.

### Tutor - Private Tutoring / Cherry Hill Tuition

Sep 2020 - Present / Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

- Improved students' STEM grades by 15-20% through customized learning plans developed from diagnostic assessments.
- Increased student engagement by 30% and maintained a 95% client satisfaction rate through interactive workshops and regular progress updates, ensuring alignment with the goals of both students and parents/carers.

# Projects and Leadership Experience (See Portfolio)

### Enhancing Black-Scholes volatility - BSc Project Lead

Oct 2024 - Jan 2025

- Enhancing the Black-Scholes Model with adaptive volatility, targeting a 15% reduction in pricing error through further volatility models (GARCH, SABR, Heston, Lévy) and multiple predictive machine learning models.
- Designing Monte Carlo simulations to stress test model robustness, aiming for a 30% increase in pricing response accuracy to extreme market/fat-tailed events, enhancing realistic pricing to volatility shocks.
- Publishing a thesis comparing model performance, targeting up to a 25% error reduction over standard Black-Scholes.

#### MarketSeer – Project development lead

Mar 2024 - Present

- Leading the development of a machine learning forecasting tool using an ARIMA-GAN-LSTM TensorFlow model, achieving 58% forecast success rate for market time-series data, with ongoing optimization targeting 67% precision.
- Designing a real-time dashboard that visualizes predictive insights and risk metrics, enabling data-driven investment decisions and risk reduction across portfolios.

#### Portfolio Risk Management System - Project Manager

Apr 2024 - Present

- Constructing a C++ platform to accurately calculate key financial risk metrics, such as VaR and CVaR in real-time, providing quantifiable risk insights, improving portfolio risk management by 20% during market stress simulations.
- Integrating a backtesting framework that simulates historical market conditions, validating risk models and allowing for better asset allocation strategies, minimising exposure to volatile market fluctuations and optimising risk-return ratios.

### Algorithmic Stabiliser – Project Lead

Apr 2023 - Jun 2023

- Engineered a camera stabilisation system utilising accelerometer data and Lagrangian mechanics, enhancing image stability by 14% over competitors, through optimised gyroscope adjustments based on dynamic platform movements.
- Refined a predictive feedback model to adjust the motor-driven gyroscope, further optimising the Python dampening algorithms to react to variations in real time, resulting in consistently improved stabilisation performance.

# **Skills**

**Technical Proficiencies:** Python (advanced), C++, Js, SQL, Git, D3.js, React, Flask, TensorFlow, PyTorch, SKlearn, Bloomberg. **Hard Skills:** Financial Modeling, Machine Learning, Statistical Analysis, Risk Assessment, Backtesting, Volatility Models. **Soft Skills:** Communication, Critical Thinking, Problem-Solving, Collaboration, Leadership, Time Management. **Languages:** English (Native), Urdu/Punjabi/Hindi (Fluent).

### **Activities and Interests**

**Networking Events:** S&P Global Insight day - Gained insights into each business segment and the intricacies of markets. **Sports:** School Basketball Team Captain, Gold medallist in Borough Badminton Championships.

**Hobbies:** National RC Car Racing Champion (U18), Gym, Mountain Biking, Community Volunteer, Reading (psychology). **Further Academics:** Self-taught in Financial Mathematics, Stochastics, Options pricing, volatility trading, Algorithmic Trading, Machine learning, Technical & Fundemental analysis and Financial Valuation & Modelling.

**Affiliations:** SEO London, Investment Society (Securities Education Certificate course, modeled on CFA levels 1 & 2), Finance Society (Investment Banking Training Programme), AlgoTrading Society (AlgoCourse).