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## **EDUCATION**

## London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

London, UK

PhD in Statistics

Sept. 2024 - Sept. 2028

- LSE Statistics PhD Scholarship
- Supervisors: Prof. Clifford Lam & Dr. Yunxiao Chen
- Courses taken include: Probability and Mathematical Statistics I (Mainly focused on Measure Theory).

## London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

London, UK

MSc in Statistics (Financial Statistics)

Sept. 2023 - July 2024

- Class: Distinction
- Courses taken include: Time Series, Financial Statistics, Reinforcement Learning, Computational Data Science, Distributed Computing for Big Data.

## Beihang University

Beijing, China

Sept. 2019 - July 2023

- BEcon in Economic Statistics (Major)
   Grade: 90.29/100, 3.74/4.0
  - Courses taken include: Mathematical Analysis, Advanced Algebra, Programming Techniques Today (Python), Statistical Learning, Applied Stochastic Process, Bayesian Statistics and Calculation, Non-parametric Statistics.

BSc in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics (Minor)

Sept. 2020 - July 2023

- Grade: **91.08**/100, 3.79/4.0
- Courses taken include: Mathematical Statistics, Matrix Analysis, Numerical Analysis, ODE, Combinatorics, Mathematical Modeling, Operations Research.

# Honors and Awards

Outstanding Graduate, Beihang University	June 2023
Academic Merit Scholarship (Top 30%), Beihang University	Sept. 2019 – July 2022
Second Prize in FengRu Cup Essay Competition, Beihang University	June~2022
College Students' Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition	Dec. 2021
Third Prize in National College Students Mathematics Competition	Dec. 2020

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

# AI Doodler - A Reinforcement Learning Agent for Doodle Jump

Coursework of Reinforcement Learning

Apr. 2024 - May 2024

- Developed a **Python** environment for Doodle Jump featuring a scrolling screen, the Doodler, randomly generated platforms, and obstacles, incorporating specific game logic.
- Implemented 3 distinct RL algorithms: i) **Q-learning** with discrete state space, ii) **Deep Q-learning** with 2 types of continuous state spaces incorporating varying information, and iii) **CNN-based DQN** using game image.
- Experimented various reward functions to enhance the learning efficiency and performance of the Doodler.
- Conducted thorough analyses of different RL algorithms and reward function settings, demonstrating their impact on gameplay performance and efficiency

#### Distributed SARIMA Models for Ultra-Long Time Series

Coursework of Distributed Computing for Big Data

Apr. 2024 - May 2024

- Reproduced a research paper introducing the DARIMA method for **forecasting ultra-long time series**, utilizing the **MapReduce** framework to **Map** segmented subseries to different SARIMA models and **Reduce** by aggregating the fitted coefficients to minimize a global loss function, improving upon the homogeneity settings of traditional ARIMA, enhancing both forecasting efficiency and accuracy.
- Explored distributed computing using **Google Cloud Platform**, simulated 3,000 ultra-long time series across 3 time frequency settings, and analyzed the impact of varying numbers of worker nodes, subseries, and forecasting horizons on forecast accuracy and efficiency, benchmarking against standard models.
- Conducted real-life data empirical tests, demonstrating that our method surpasses traditional whole-dataset analysis
  in terms of accuracy and efficiency.

## Carbon Risk Premium in China's A-share Market and Its Hedging

BEcon Dissertation Nov. 2022 – June 2023

- Quantified the **carbon risk** of China's listed company in constructing the micro carbon risk composite index BGS, with 12 indices in 3 dimensions, and used econometric models exploring its impact mechanism towards company stock returns, especially taking the expected and unexpected carbon risk changes into consideration.
- Quantified the carbon risk of China's A-share market in constructing the macro carbon risk composite index BMG
  based on BGS using factor mimicking portfolio approach, and used mainstream and state-of-the-art factor models
  to identify the carbon risk premium in the market.
- Applied asset pricing tests to study the pricing errors before and after adding the BMG factor, further validating the carbon risk premium.

## Research of ESG Results of Chinese Companies Considering Rating Agency Divergence

National Key Research and Development Plan, Ministry of Science and Technology

Dec. 2021 – Nov. 2022

- Established a unified model using both the entropy method and the deviation weight method dynamically determining the weights for group decisions in order to **eliminate the disparities**.
- Built an **ESG indicator system** containing 51 indices, collected and processed data of 278 Chinese listed companies via database and web crawling.
- Determined the index contribution based on a **machine learning** method of random forest regression, and **penalised regression** methods of LASSO, MCP, SCAD and Adaptive LASSO, aiming to reduce its dimensionality.
- Implemented regression model to verify the rationality and the robustness of the unified model.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

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Beijing, China

Business Analyst Intern, Business Intelligence Department

Sept. 2022 - Jan. 2023

- Analysis of "Evergreen" Series and Its Forecast: Explored the "evergreen" variable as the dependent variable, identified potential explanatory variables, and established the features of *machine learning* models, including random forest and XGBoost, for predictive analysis.
- Research on the Timing of Two-Round Revolving Payments: Developed a statistical model and employed regression and correlation analyses to quantitatively determine the *optimal start date* for two-round revolving payments to maximize profits. Additionally, utilized an *LSTM* model to forecast the revenue series.
- N-brush Billboard Product Design: Developed the N-brush Billboard, using average viewing times as the primary metric, constructed the underlying logic of the N-brush Billboard, and integrated upstream and downstream data to facilitate the *product's implementation*.

### Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC)

Beijing, China

Statistical Analyst Intern, Statistical Management Department

July 2022 - Aug. 2022

- Industry Research in Banks Supporting the Real Economy: Examined indicators demonstrating the impact of bank services on the real economy, including comparisons with 4 major state-owned banks and culminated in the composition of *industry research reports*.
- Industry Research in Bank Digital Transformation: Collected and synthesized executive papers on the digital transformation practices of major financial institutions in China, formed a comprehensive 248-page document:
  - \* Qualitative: Explored the varied logic of digital transformation across institutions qualitatively.
  - \* Quantitative: Applied Natural Language Processing (NLP) for text mining, incorporating quantitative methods such as word frequency analysis, keyword extraction, and similarity analysis to detail differences.

KPMG China

Audit Intern

Beijing, China July 2021 – Aug. 2021

• Audited inter-bank lending between the Agricultural Bank of China and its branches.

• Drafted its half-year manuscript of interbank lending.

## Extracurricular Activities

## News Center, Beihang University

Beijing, China

Vice Director

Sept. 2019 - Aug. 2021

- Directed the WeChat official account, and published 2 articles monthly.
- Organized 16 college-scale photography events.

# SKILLS

Coding: Python, C, R, SQL, Hive, Spark, MATLAB

**Language**: TOEFL 108 (R30, L29, S25, W24)