

# YUNXIAO XIANG

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## EDUCATION

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- New York University, The Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences** New York, NY  
**M.S. in Mathematics in Finance; Current GPA: 3.8/4.0** Dec. 2020
- **Coursework:** martingales, PCA, Monte Carlo, local volatility, SVI, Brownian motion, Black-Scholes, Black-Litterman, multiprocessing, VaR, GA, Greeks, Itô lemma, GARCH, LRU cache, cross-validation
- University of California, San Diego** La Jolla, CA  
**B.S. in Applied Mathematics; B.A. in Economics; GPA: 3.8/4.0** Jun. 2019
- **Coursework:** Markowitz model, CAPM, arbitrage pricing theory, factor model, hypothesis test, ODE, bootstrap, MLE, CLT, SVD, PCA, regression, ACF, SARIMA model, backtesting, heat equation

## EXPERIENCE

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- Axiomquant Investment Management, LLC** HQ: Beijing, CN  
**Quantitative Research Intern (Remote in New York)** Jul. 2020 – present
- Processed 5 years' auction, close, market data to extract 132 intraday, cross-date, cross-stock features
  - Leveraged LRU Cache to optimize repetitive cross-date function call, multiprocessing to paralyze process
  - Built regression model to predict future returns; selected significant features by evaluating out-of-sample liquidity-weighted correlation, rolling cross-validation, Sharpe and PnL of prediction-based portfolio
  - Backtested daily rebalanced portfolio on 2020 test set; achieved correlation of 0.087 and Sharpe of 8.57
- RavenPack** New York, NY  
**Summer Research Project Leader (Mentors: Ricard Matas, Peter Hafez)** Jul. 2020 – present
- Filtered for novel events based on sentiment score; visualized distance between events and analyst ratings
  - Leveraged Bayesian approach to compute  $P(\text{analyst rating change} \mid \text{event X happened in Y days})$  for each (X, Y, entity); checked event volume, probability distributions and significant ratios for subset selection
  - Implemented XGBoost to forecast analyst rating events; tackled imbalanced labels by oversampling
  - Translated conditional probabilities into long-short portfolio; evaluated out-of-sample Sharpe and PnL
- Ubiquant Investment Co., Ltd.** HQ: Beijing, CN  
**Data Analyst Intern (Remote in New York)** Apr. 2020 – Jul. 2020
- Implemented Almgren's impact model to estimate implicit cost of trades size up to 10% of market volume
  - Processed TAQ data to efficiently generate model inputs – volume time, execution details, volatility, etc.
  - Leveraged non-linear Gauss-Newton optimization and regression to fit impact coefficients and exponents
  - Incorporated trading impact in backtesting strategy to compute more realistic Sharpe (from 4.38 to 3.53)
- Black Wing Asset Co., Ltd.** Shanghai, CN  
**Summer Investment Analyst Intern** Aug. 2018 – Sep. 2018
- Discovered 6.3% loss in small-cap market simulation; customized strategy by incorporating implicit cost
  - Implemented momentum strategy with MA, MACD indicators, improved clients' portfolio returns by 5%

## PROJECTS

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- S&P500 Dispersion Trading – NYU Capstone Project in Python (Mentor: Sebastien Bossu)**
- Estimated implied dividend of S&P500 component stocks by put-call inequality of American options
  - Calibrated SVI volatility surfaces for 15 years to price variance swaps; constructed zero-cost dispersion portfolio; computed implied correlation from portfolio and compared with realized correlation
- Deal Probability of Russian Commodities – NLP in Python and Multivariate Regression in R**
- Leveraged NLP to extract numerical variables from descriptions and images; visualized sample attributes
  - Built logistic regression after subset selection to model skewed deal probability with over 50% zeroes
  - Conducted hypothesis test to find variable significantly influence probability; presented findings in report
- Path-dependent Options Pricing – Monte Carlo, Numerical PDE, and Analytical PDE in Python**
- Leveraged Implicit Euler Scheme, Monte Carlo, analytical PDE solution to price down-and-out Call

## COMPUTER SKILLS/OTHER

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**Programming Languages:** Python, Java (5 years); R, Advanced Excel, MATLAB (2 years); SQL (1 year)  
**Languages:** Mandarin (native), English (fluent), Japanese (basic)