

t-Copula Based Factor Model for Credit Risk Analysis

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Systematic Risk



Figure 1: Credit Risk depends the state of economy.



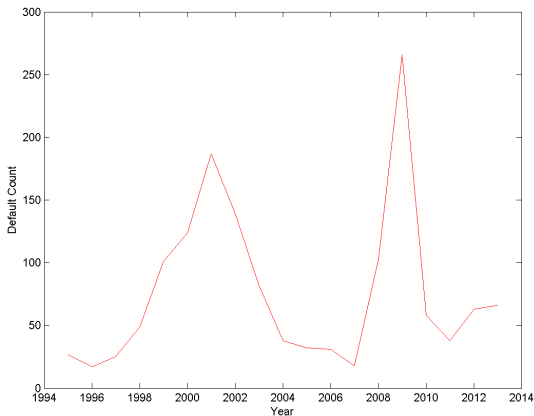


Figure 2: **Annual Default Counts** from 1995-2013.



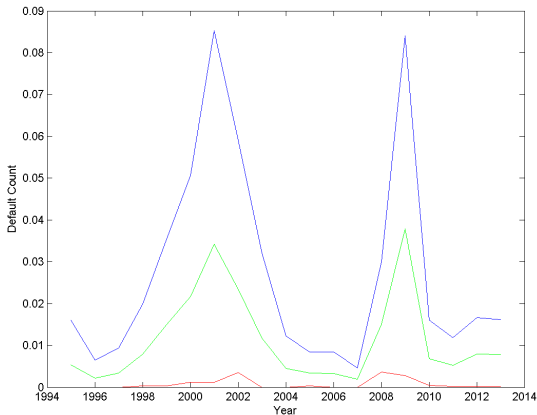
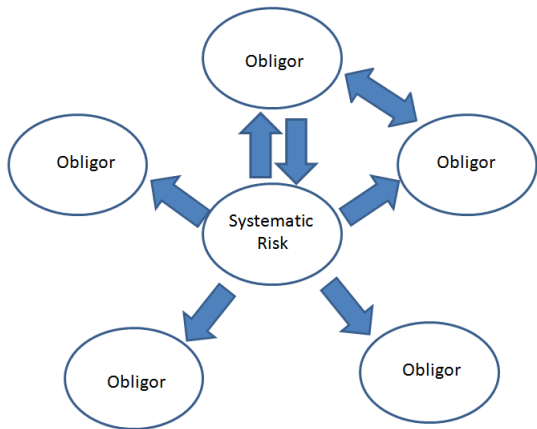


Figure 3: Annual average Loss Given Default rate: IG , SG and All , from 1995-2013.





Objectives

- (i) Credit Risk Modeling
 - ▶ Factor loading conditional on hectic and quiet state.
 - ▶ State-dependent recovery rate.

- (ii) Model Comparison
 - ▶ Four models



Standard Technology

□ Default event modeling

- ▶ Latent variable is a linear combination of systematic and idiosyncratic shocks.
- ▶ Copula enables flexible and realistic default dependence structure.
 - Gaussian Copula
 - t Copula



Outline

1. Motivation ✓
2. Factor Copulae & Stochastic Recoveries
3. Methodology
4. Empirical Results
5. Conclusions

Factor Copulae & Stochastic Recoveries

- Factor copula model is a flexible measurement of portfolio credit risk: Krupskii and Joe (2013)
- t copulas generate a greater likelihood of a clustering of defaults for companies: Hull and White (2004)
- Correlation breakdown structure: Ang and Bekaert (2002), Anderson et al. (2004)
- Recovery rate varies with the market conditions: Amraoui et al. (2012)



Candidate Models-Gaussian Copula

- FC model - One-factor Gaussian copula model with constant correlation structure and constant recoveries.
- RFL model - Conditional factor loading and constant recoveries.
- RR model - One-factor Gaussian copula and stochastic recoveries.
- RRFL model - Conditional factor loading and stochastic recoveries.



Candidate Models-t copula

- TFC model - One-factor t copula model with constant correlation structure and constant recoveries.
- TRFL model - One-factor t copula model with conditional factor loading and constant recoveries.
- TRR model - One-factor t copula and stochastic recoveries.
- TRRFL model - One-factor t copula model with conditional factor loading and stochastic recoveries.




Copulae

- For n dimensions distribution F with marginal distribution F_{X_1}, \dots, F_{X_n} , Copula function:

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = C \{F_{X_1}(x_1), \dots, F_{X_n}(x_n)\}$$



Hoeffding on BBI: 



One factor copula model

- Assume that $U = (U_1, \dots, U_d)$ is a random vector. A factor copula model can be expressed as following.

$$C(u_1, \dots, u_d) = \int_{[0,1]} \prod_{j=1}^d F_{j|V}(u_j | v) dv \quad (1)$$

- C is a d -dimensional copula.
- $C(u_1, \dots, u_d)$ is the joint cdf of the vector U .
- $F_{1|V}, \dots, F_{d|V}$ denote joint distribution conditional on V .



Gaussian-copula based one factor model(I)

- Let $C_{j,v}$ be the bivariate Gaussian copula with correlation α_j . Then $C_{j,v}(u_j, v) = \Phi_2\{\Phi^{-1}(u_j), \Phi^{-1}(v); \alpha_j\}$, and $F_{j|v}(u_j | v) = C_{j|v}(u_j | v) = \frac{\partial C_{j,v}(u_j, v)}{\partial v}$

$$F_{j|v}(u_j | v) = \Phi \left[\frac{\{\Phi^{-1}(u_j) - \alpha_j \Phi^{-1}(v)\}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \quad (2)$$

- Φ denotes the Gaussian cdf and Φ_2 is the bivariate normal cdf.



Gaussian-copula based one factor model(II)

□ Let $u_j = \Phi(z_j)$ and $v = \Phi(w)$

$$\begin{aligned} C(u_1, \dots, u_d) &= \int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^d \left\{ \Phi \left[\frac{\Phi^{-1}(u_j) - \alpha_j \Phi^{-1}(v)}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \right\} dv \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^d \left\{ \Phi \left[\frac{z_j - \alpha_j w}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \right\} \psi(w) dw \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

□ ψ denotes the Gaussian pdf.



- Eq.3) comes from

$$Z_j = \alpha_j W + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2} \varepsilon_j \quad j = 1, \dots, d.$$

- W : systematic factor, ε_j : idiosyncratic factors.
- W and ε_j are independent, and ε_j are uncorrelated among each other
- Z_j : the proxies for firm asset and liquidation value.
- Correlation coefficient between Z_1 and Z_2 is

$$\rho_{12} = \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \sigma^2}{\sqrt{\alpha_1^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1} \sqrt{\alpha_2^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1}}.$$



t-copula based one factor model(I)

- Let $C_{j,\nu}(u_j, \nu) = \Phi_2(T_\nu^{-1}(u_j), \Phi^{-1}(\nu); \alpha_j)$ (McNeil and Frey, 2015), and

$$F_{j|\nu}(u_j | \nu) = \Phi \left[\frac{\{v_2^{-1} T_\nu^{-1}(u_j) - \alpha_j \Phi^{-1}(\nu)\}}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \quad (4)$$

- where $V_2 \sim Ig(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2})$ (Ig is inverse gamma distribution), and ν represents degrees of freedom.



t-copula based one factor model(II)

□ Let $u_j = T_\nu(z_j)$ and $v = \Phi(w)$

$$\begin{aligned} C(u_1, \dots, u_d) &= \int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^d \left\{ \Phi \left[\frac{v_2^{-1} T_\nu^{-1}(u_j) - \alpha_j \Phi^{-1}(v)}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \right\} dv \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{j=1}^d \left\{ \Phi \left[\frac{v_2^{-1} z_j - \alpha_j w}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2}} \right] \right\} \psi(w) dw \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$



- Eq.(5) comes from

$$Z_j = V_2(\alpha_j W + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_j^2} \varepsilon_j) \quad j = 1, \dots, d.$$

- W is iid non-standard Gaussian distribution and ε_j are iid standard Gaussian.
- Correlation coefficient between Z_1 and Z_2 is

$$\rho_{12} = \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \sigma^2}{V_2 \sqrt{\alpha_1^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1} \sqrt{\alpha_2^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1}}.$$



- The default indicator

$$\mathbb{I}\{\tau_j \leq t\} = \mathbb{I}[Z_j \leq F^{-1}\{P_j(t)\}].$$

- τ_j indicates the default time of each obligor.
- $F^{-1}(\cdot)$ denotes the inverse cdf of any distribution.
- $P_j(t)$: hazard rate and marginal probability that obligor j defaults before t .
 - ▶ From Moody's report.
 - ▶ Extract from Credit spreads.
 - ▶ Extract from Credit default swap spreads.



- Portfolio loss for each obligor

$$L = \sum_{j=1}^N G_j I \{ \tau_j \leq t \} = \sum_{j=1}^N G_j I [Z_j \leq F^{-1} \{ P_j(t) \}] .$$

- G_j is the loss given default (LGD) (j -th obligor's exposure = 1).



Conditional Default Model-General Form

- Conditional factor copula model

$$Z_j|_{S=H} = \alpha_j^H W + \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^H)^2} \varepsilon_j$$

$$Z_j|_{S=Q} = \alpha_j^Q W + \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^Q)^2} \varepsilon_j$$

- α^H, α^Q are conditional factor loading.
- Conditional default probability

$$P(\tau_j < t|S) = F \left[\frac{F^{-1}\{P_j(t)\} - \alpha_j^S W}{\sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^S)^2}} \right] = P_j(W|S) \quad S \in \{H, Q\}$$

- with $P(S=H)=\omega$, and $P(S=Q)=1 - \omega$



State-Dependent Recovery Rate

- The LGD on name j , $G_j(W)$ is related to common factor W and the marginal default probability P_j
- Given fixed expected loss, $(1 - R_j)P_j = (1 - \bar{R}_j)\bar{P}_j$

$$G_j(W|S=H) = (1 - \bar{R}_j) \frac{F \left[\{F^{-1}(\bar{P}_j) - \alpha_j^H W\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^H)^2} \right]}{F \left[\{F^{-1}(P_j) - \alpha_j^H W\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^H)^2} \right]}.$$

$$G_j(W|S=Q) = (1 - \bar{R}_j) \frac{F \left[\{F^{-1}(\bar{P}_j) - \alpha_j^Q Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^Q)^2} \right]}{F \left[\{F^{-1}(P_j) - \alpha_j^Q Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_j^Q)^2} \right]}.$$

- We set $\bar{R}_j = 0$ in the simplest case.



Conditional Expected Loss

- Conditional default probability $P_j(W|S=H,Q)$ and conditional LGD, $G_j(W|S=H,Q)$, conditional expected loss,

$$E(L_j|Z) = \omega G_j(W|S=H)P_j(W|S=H) + (1-\omega)G_j(W|S=Q)P_j(W|S=Q).$$



Monte Carlo Simulation and MSE

- One-factor non-standardized Gaussian Copula
 - ▶ $W \sim N(-0.03, 3.05), Z, \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, 1)$.
 - ▶ W and ε_i are generated 10000 observations.
- One-factor t Copula
 - ▶ $W \sim N(-0.03, 3.05), \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, 1)$.
 - ▶ Z follows t pdf with ν degrees of freedom.
- Conditional probability that date t was belonging to the hectic is $\pi(W = w)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(S = H | W = w) &= \pi(W = w) \\ &= \frac{\omega c(z_j, w | \theta^H)}{(1 - \omega)c(z_j, w | \theta^Q) + \omega c(z_j, w | \theta^H)} \end{aligned}$$

- where c is copula density.



Project to Default Time

- Using the definition of survival rate (Hull, 2006)

$$\tau_j|S = -\frac{\log\{1 - F(Z_j|S)\}}{P_j}.$$

- P_j is the hazard rate and marginal probability that obligor j will default.
- $\tau_j|S$ is corresponding to

$$E[\mathbb{1}(\tau_j|S < 1)] = P(\tau_j|S < 1) = P_j(Z|S).$$



State-Dependent Recovery Rate Simulation

- $(1 - R_j)P_j = (1 - \bar{R}_j)\bar{P}_j$.
- \bar{P}_j is a adjusted default probability calibrated by plugging hazard rate P_j .
- \bar{R}_j is a lower bound for state-dependent recovery rates $[0,1]$.
- We set $\bar{R}_j = 0$ in the simplest case.
- Given α_j^S and simulated Z , we generate $G_j(Z|S)$.



Expected Loss Function

- With these two specifications, we study the expected loss function under the given scenarios

$$\begin{aligned} E(L_j|W) &= \pi(W = w)G_j(W|S=H)P_j(W|S=H) \\ &+ \{1 - \pi(W = w)\}G_j(W|S=Q)P_j(W|S=Q) \end{aligned}$$

- $\pi(W = w)$ is better than unconditional probability ω .



Estimation of the AE

- Absolute Error (AE)

$$AE = (\text{actual portfolio loss} - \text{expected portfolio loss}).$$

- Actual portfolio loss is from Moody's report.
- Exposure of each obligor is 100 million.
- Compare minimum AE, MAE to evaluate candidate models.



Data

- Forecast Period: 31 in 2008
- Daily USD S&P 500 and stock return of the defaults
- Estimated period: 3 years before the default year
- Source: Datastream



Data

- Recovery rate: Realized recovery rate R_j (weighted by volume) before default year by Moody's
- Hazard rate: Average historical default probability from Moody's report



Financial return data

- Considering the S&P 500 and 45 stock returns are following the AR(1)-GARCH(1,1) model

$$r_{jt} = \mu_j + \rho_j r_{j,t-1} + \sigma_{jt} \epsilon_{jt}$$
$$\sigma_{jt} = \omega_j + \alpha_j r_{j,t-1}^2 + \beta_j \sigma_{j,t-1}^2$$

- where r_{jt} is stock return and $j = 1, \dots, d$, $t = 1, \dots, T$, ϵ_{jt} are i.i.d vectors with distribution,

$$F(z_1, \dots, z_d) = C(F_v(z_1), \dots, F_v(z_d))$$

- F_v denotes the cdf of t distribution with v degrees of freedom, used to model innovations in GARCH model



Conditional Factor Loading-Gaussian Copula

Company	Uncond.	Quiet	Hectic
Abitibi-Consolidated Com. of Can.	0.21	-0.26	0.31
Franklin Bank	0.39	0.66	-0.18
Glitnir Banki	0.24	-0.99	0.13
GMAC	0.24	0.16	0.98
Lehman Bros	-0.09	-0.33	0.56

Table 1: Correlation coefficients between S&P500 index returns and the return of default companies in 2008 are computed by Gaussian copula.

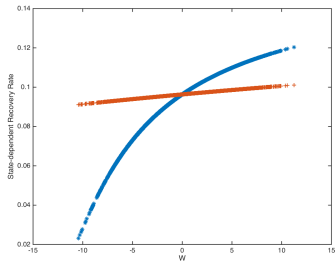


Conditional Factor Loading-t copula

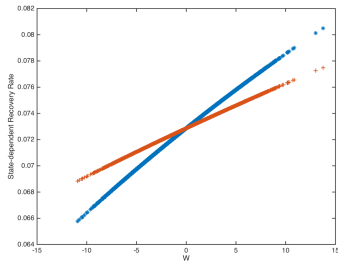
Company	Uncond.	Quiet	Hectic
Abitibi-Consolidated Com. of Can.	-0.26	-0.50	0.22
Franklin Bank	0.39	0.66	-0.16
Glitnir Banki	0.13	-0.73	0.24
Kaupth. Bank	0.16	-0.25	0.31
Lehman Bros	-0.06	-0.17	0.85

Table 2: Correlation coefficients between S&P500 index returns and the return of default companies in 2008 are computed by t copula.





(a) Glitnir Banki



(b) Washington Mutual Bank

Figure 4: The relationship between state-dependent recovery rates and S&P 500, Z by using t copula

'*' in blue illustrates the pattern of state-dependent recovery rate, and '+' in red plots the recoveries proposed by Amraoui et al. (2012)



Estimation of MAE-Gaussian Copula

	FC	RFL	RR	RRFL
2008				
APL	2035.02	2035.02	2035.02	2035.02
EPL	1158.61	1186.51	1550.05	1598.29
AE	878.89	575.36	484.97	436.73
MAE	27.47	17.98	15.16	13.65
EPL/APL	53.71%	58.30%	78.93%	77.60%

Table 3: The mean of actual portfolio loss (APL), expected portfolio loss (EPL) and AE, MAE (in million)



Estimation of MAE-t Copula

	TFC	TRFL	TRR	TRRFL
2008				
APL	2035.02	2035.02	2035.02	2035.02
EPL	1138.53	1483.23	1695.85	1921.80
AE	896.49	551.79	339.17	113.22
MAE	28.02	17.24	10.60	3.54
EPL/APL	55.95%	72.89%	83.33%	94.44%

Table 4: The actual portfolio loss (APL), expected portfolio loss (EPL), AE, and MAE (in million) for robustness



Conclusions

- (i) Model the dependence in a more flexible and realistic way.
 - ▶ Build the quiet and hectic regimes.
 - ▶ Connect the recovery rate to the common factor.
 - ▶ State-dependent describes the asymmetric thick tail.

- (ii) The conditional factor copulae together with state-dependent recoveries model could predict the default event during the crisis period.



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