

Copulae Based Factor Model for Credit Risk Analysis

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Motivation



Figure 1: Credit Risk depends the state of economy



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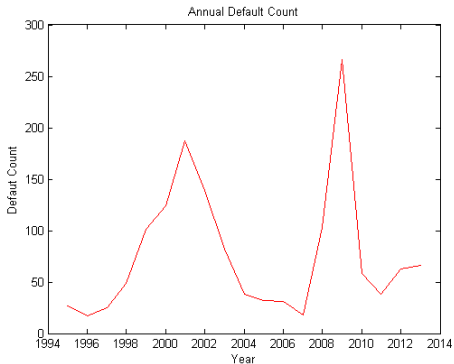


Figure 2: **Annual Default Counts** from 1995-2013



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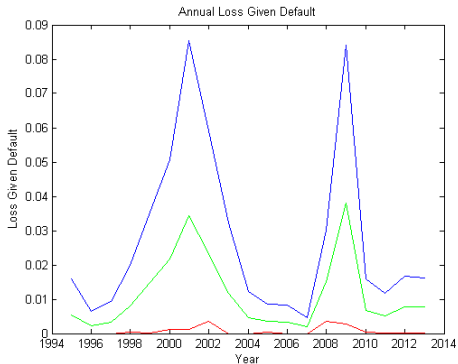
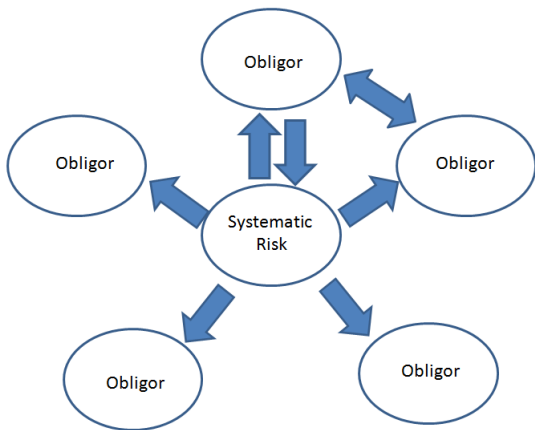


Figure 3: Annual average LGD: IG , SG and All , from 1995-2013



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Objectives

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

- (ii) Model Comparison
 - ▶ Four models



Implication to Basel III

- Highlight systematic risk after 2008-2009 crisis
- Credit risk versus Business cycle
- How credit risk moves over the business cycle
- Contribution of systematic risk on credit risk is state-dependent



Standard Technology

□ Default Event Modeling

- ▶ Latent variable, U_i , is a linear combination of systematic and idiosyncratic vector
- ▶ Copula enables flexible and realistic default dependent structure



Outline

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2. Factor Copulae & Stochastic Recoveries
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Factor Copulae & Stochastic Recoveries

- Factor copula model is a flexible measurement of portfolio credit risk: Krupskii and Joe (2013)
- Correlation breakdown structure: Ang and Bekaert (2002), Anderson et al. (2005)
- Recovery rate varies with the market conditions: Amraoui et al. (2012)



Candidate Models

- 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



Default Modeling

- One-factor non-Standardized Gaussian Copula model

$$U_i = \alpha_i Z + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_i^2} \varepsilon_i \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

- Z : systematic factor, ε_i : idiosyncratic factors
- Z and ε_i are independent, and ε_i is uncorrelated with each other
- The correlation coefficient between U_i and U_j is

$$\rho_{ij} = \frac{\alpha_i \alpha_j \sigma^2}{\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1} \sqrt{\alpha_j^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) + 1}}$$



Default Modeling

- The default indicator

$$I\{\tau_i \leq t\} = I[U_i \leq F^{-1}\{P_i(t)\}]$$

- U_i : the proxies for firm asset and liquidation value
- $P_i(t)$: hazard rate and marginal probability that obligor i defaults before t .
 - ▶ From Moody's report
 - ▶ Extract from Credit spreads
 - ▶ Extract from Credit default swaps spreads



Default Modeling

- Portfolio Loss for each obligor

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^N G_i I \{ \tau_i \leq t \} = \sum_{i=1}^N G_i I [U_i \leq F^{-1} \{ P_i(t) \}]$$

- G_i is the loss given default (LGD) (i -th obligor's exposure = 1).
- $F^{-1}(\cdot)$ denotes the inverse cdf of any distribution.




Copulae

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

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_N) = C \{F_{X_1}(x_1), \dots, F_{X_N}(x_N)\}$$

- Gaussian Copula $C = C(\Sigma)$



Hoeffding on BBI: 



Conditional Default Model

- Conditional factor copulae model

$$U_i|_{S=H} = \alpha_i^H Z + \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^H)^2} \varepsilon_i$$

$$U_i|_{S=Q} = \alpha_i^Q Z + \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^Q)^2} \varepsilon_i$$

- Conditional default probability

$$P(\tau_i < t|S) = F \left[\frac{F^{-1}\{P_i(t)\} - \alpha_i^S Z}{\sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^S)^2}} \right] = P_i(Z|S) \quad S \in \{H, Q\}$$

- α^H, α^Q are conditional factor loading. [▶ link](#)
- $P(S=H)=\omega, P(S=Q)=1 - \omega$



State-dependent Recovery Rate [▶ link](#)

- The LGD on name i , $G_i(Z)$ is related to common factor Z and the marginal default probability P_i
- Given fixed expected loss, $(1 - R_i)P_i = (1 - \bar{R}_i)\bar{P}_i$

$$G_i(Z|S=H) = (1 - \bar{R}_i) \frac{F \left[\{F^{-1}(\bar{P}_i) - \alpha_i^H Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^H)^2} \right]}{F \left[\{F^{-1}(P_i) - \alpha_i^H Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^H)^2} \right]}$$

$$G_i(Z|S=Q) = (1 - \bar{R}_i) \frac{F \left[\{F^{-1}(\bar{P}_i) - \alpha_i^Q Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^Q)^2} \right]}{F \left[\{F^{-1}(P_i) - \alpha_i^Q Z\} / \sqrt{1 - (\alpha_i^Q)^2} \right]}$$

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



Conditional Expected Loss

- With these two specifications, the conditional default probability $P_i(Z|S=H,Q)$ and conditional LGD, $G_i(Z|S=H,Q)$, conditional expected loss,

$$E(L_j|Z) = \omega G_i(Z|S=H)P_i(Z|S=H) + (1-\omega)G_i(Z|S=Q)P_i(Z|S=Q)$$



Monte Carlo Simulation and MSE

- One-factor non-standardized Gaussian Copula
 - ▶ $Z \sim N(-0.08, 1.02), \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, 1)$
 - ▶ Z and ε_i are generated 252 observations.
- Conditional probability that date t was belonging to the hectic is $\pi(Z = z)$

$$P(S = H|Z = z) = \pi(Z = z) = \frac{\omega\varphi(z|\theta^H)}{(1 - \omega)\varphi(z|\theta^Q) + \omega\varphi(z|\theta^H)}$$

- α_i^H, α_i^Q are derived from the daily stock returns of S&P 500 and of collected default companies during the crisis (2008-2009) period.
 - ▶ Five-year period prior to the crisis period is the estimation period.



Project to Default Time

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

$$\tau_i|S = -\frac{\log\{1 - F(U_i|S)\}}{P_i}$$

- P_i is the hazard rate and marginal probability that obligor i will default during the first year conditional on no earlier default obtained from Moody's report.
- $\tau_i|S$ is corresponding to $E[I(\tau_i|S < 1)] = P(\tau_i|S < 1) = P_i(Z|S)$.



State-dependent recovery rate simulation [▶ link](#)

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



Expected loss function

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

$$\begin{aligned} E(L_i|Z) &= \pi(Z = z)G_i(Z|S=H)P_i(Z|S=H) \\ &+ (1 - \pi)(Z = z)G_i(Z|S=Q)P_i(Z|S=Q) \end{aligned}$$

- $\pi(Z = z)$ is a proxy of unconditional probability ω .



Estimation of the MSE

- Estimated Square Error (SE)

$$SE = (\text{actual default loss} - \text{expected default loss})^2$$

- Actual default loss is from Moody's report.
- Calculate the mean of square errors referred to as Mean Square Error (MSE)
- Compare minimum MSE to evaluate FC, RFL, RR, and RRFL model



Data

- ▣ Forecast Period: 2008 and 2009
- ▣ Daily USD S&P 500 and stock return of the defaults
- ▣ Estimated period: 5 years before the default year
- ▣ Source: Datastream



Data

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



Empirical Results

Model	Probability	Mean	STD
Period	2003-2007		
Unconditional (one normal)	1	0.004	0.009
Conditional on quiet	0.591	0.001	0.005
Conditional on hectic	0.409	-0.001	0.012
Period	2004-2008		
Unconditional (one normal)	1	0.001	0.007
Conditional on quiet	0.325	0.001	0.002
Conditional on hectic	0.675	-0.001	0.009

Table 1: Estimate Mixture of Normal Distribution by employing an EM algorithm

STD represent standard deviation



Conditional Factor Loading

Company	Uncond.	Quiet	Hectic
Abitibi-Consolidated Com. of Can.	0.2917	0.1651	0.2898
Abitibi-Consolidated Inc.	0.3267	0.1880	0.3190
FRANKLIN BANK	0.3886	0.2116	0.3119
GLITNIR BANKI	0.0444	0.0293	0.0674
LEHMAN BROS	0.0375	-0.0060	0.0235

Table 2: Correlation coefficients between S&P500 index returns and the return of default companies in 2008



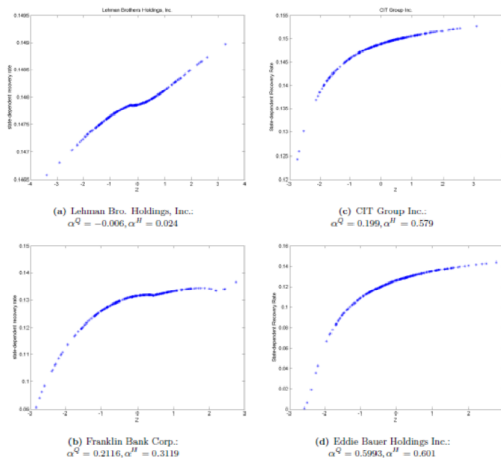
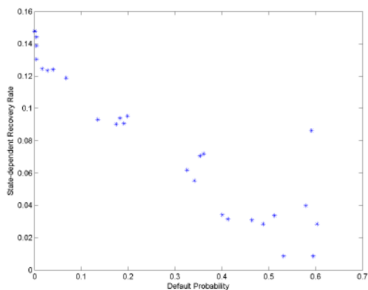


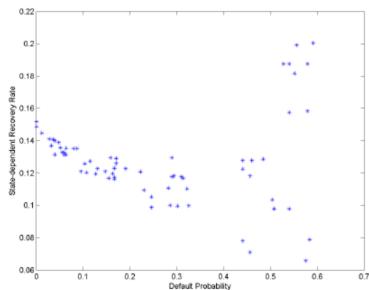
Figure 1: The relationship between recovery rate and S&P 500.

In panel (a) and (b), illustrate the pattern of recoveries rate of 2 defaults in 2008. In panel (c) and (d), 2 defaults in 2009.





(a) 2008



(b) 2009

Figure 2: The relationship between recovery rate and default probabilities



Estimation of MSE

Company	FC	RFC	RR	RRFL
Abitibi-Consolidated Com. of Can.	0.0522	0.0526	0.0246	0.0240
Abitibi-Consolidated Inc.	0.1030	0.1041	0.0623	0.0608
Franklin Bank Corp.	0.9904	0.9881	0.9774	0.9765
Glitnir banki hf	0.9406	0.9404	0.9404	0.9399
Lehman Bro. Hold., Inc.	0.8223	0.8223	0.8223	0.8222

Table 3: The Estimation of MSE

The estimation of MSE of four different models for each default company in 2008.



Empirical Results

Year	FC	RFL	RR	RRFL	Total
2008	1	1	10	19	31
	3.2%	3.2%	32.3%	61.3%	
2009	3	5	23	31	62
	4.8%	7.9%	37.1%	50.0%	

Table 4: Number and Percentage of defaults with minimum MSE



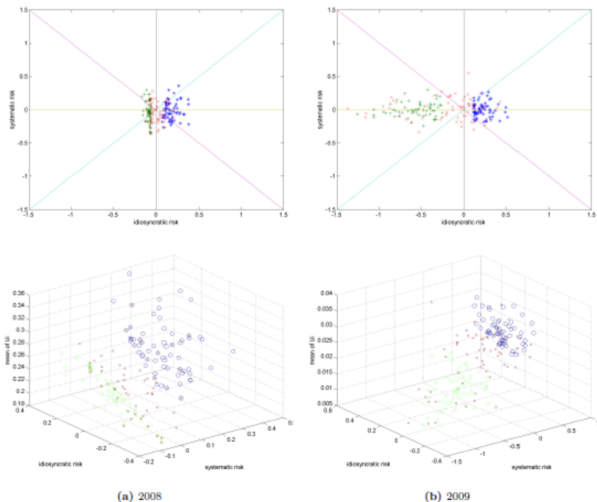


Figure 3: The 2D and 3D scatters plot of relative contribution



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

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

- (iii) Coherent with the goals of Basel III



Further Work

- (i) Alternative marginals: Generalized extreme value distribution or t-distribution.
- (ii) Alternative copulae: T-copulae.



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Conditional factor loading ▶ back

$$\square (Z, U_i) \sim$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} N \left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_Z^Q \\ \mu_i^Q \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} (\sigma_Z^Q)^2 & (\sigma_Z^Q)\alpha^Q(\sigma_i^Q) \\ (\sigma_Z^Q)\alpha^Q(\sigma_i^Q) & (\sigma_i^Q)^2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ N \left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_Z^H \\ \mu_i^H \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} (\sigma_Z^H)^2 & (\sigma_Z^H)\alpha^H(\sigma_i^H) \\ (\sigma_Z^H)\alpha^H(\sigma_i^H) & (\sigma_i^H)^2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{array} \right)$$

- where $P(S=H)=\omega$, $P(S=Q)=1 - \omega$
- Volatility in hectic periods is higher than in a quiet periods, $(\sigma_i^H)^2 > (\sigma_i^Q)^2$.
- α^Q and α^H are the correlation coefficient between each obligor and S&P 500 in quiet and hectic period

