

# Quantile Regression in Risk Calibration

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## Dependence Risk



## Risk Calibration

- ▣ Quantification of risk: Value-at-Risk and expected shortfall
- ▣ Drawbacks of VaR: Does not say much about dependence risk
- ▣ Need for macroprudential risk measures



## Quantile Regression in VaR

- Parametric VaR: Chernozhukov and Umantsev (2001), Engle and Manganelli (2004)
- Kuester, Mittnik and Paolella (2006): Comparing VaR predictions from historical simulations, extreme value theory, GARCH model and CAViaR
- Nonparametric VaR (Double Kernel): Cai and Wang (2008), Taylor (2008) and Schaumburg (2010)



## Risk Calibration

- Marginal Expected Shortfall (MES): Acharya et al. (2010)
- Distressed Insurance Premium (DIP): Huang et al. (2010)
- Adrian and Brunnermeier (2010)(AB):  $X_j$  and  $X_i$  are two asset returns,

$$P \{X_j \leq \text{CoVaR}_{j|i}(q) | C(X_i)\} = q.$$

where  $C(X_i) = \{X_i = \text{VaR}_q(X_i)\}$ .

- Advantages:
  1. Cloning property
  2. Conservative property
  3. Adaptiveness



## CoVaR Construction

$X_{j,t}$  and  $X_{i,t}$  are two asset returns. Two linear quantile regressions:

$$X_{i,t} = \alpha_i + \gamma_i M_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{i,t}, \quad (1)$$

$$X_{j,t} = \alpha_{j|i} + \beta_{j|i} X_{i,t} + \gamma_{j|i} M_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{j,t}. \quad (2)$$

$M_t$ : vector-valued state variables.  $F_{\varepsilon_{i,t}}^{-1}(q|M_{t-1}) = 0$  and  $F_{\varepsilon_{j,t}}^{-1}(q|M_{t-1}, X_{i,t}) = 0$ .

$$VaR_{i,t} = \hat{\alpha}_i + \hat{\gamma}_i M_{t-1},$$

$$CoVaR_{j|i,t} = \hat{\alpha}_{j|i} + \hat{\beta}_{j|i} VaR_{i,t} + \hat{\gamma}_{j|i} M_{t-1}.$$



## Nonlinear Dependence in Asset Returns

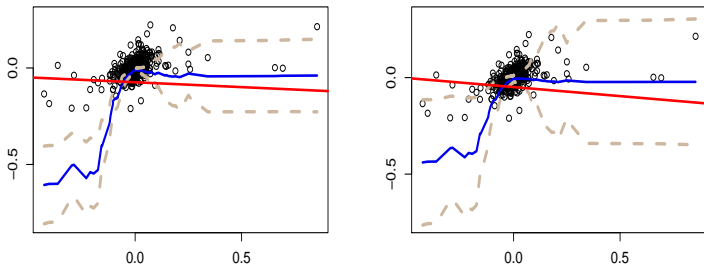


Figure 1: Goldman Sachs (GS) and Citigroup (C) weekly returns 0.05 (left) and 0.1(right) quantile functions. y-axis=GS returns; x-axis=C returns. LLQR lines. Linear parametric quantile regression line. Confidence band with level 5%.  $N = 546$ .



## Semiparametric Specification

- More general, with functions  $f$ ,  $g$ ;

$$X_{i,t} = f(M_{t-1}) + \varepsilon_{i,t}; \quad (3)$$

$$X_{j,t} = g(X_{i,t}, M_{t-1}) + \varepsilon_{j,t}. \quad (4)$$

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- Challenge:
  - The curse of dimensionality for  $f$ ,  $g$
  - Numerical Calibration of (3) and (4)





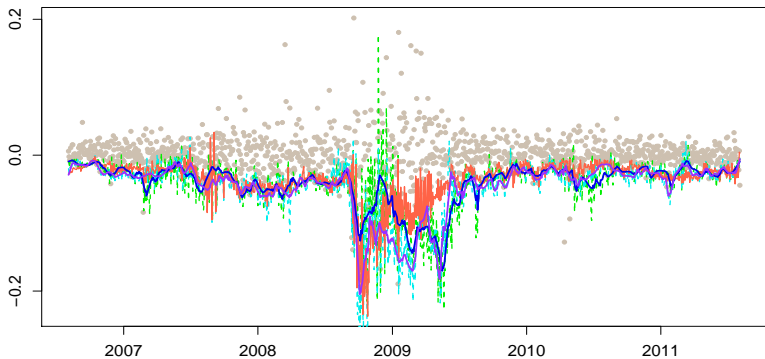


Figure 2: CoVaR of Goldman Sachs given the VaR of Citigroup. x-axis=time. y-axis= GS daily returns. **PLM CoVaR** . **AB (2010) CoVaR** . **The linear QR VaR of GS.**



## Goal

- Computing CoVaR (i.e. two step quantile regression) in a nonparametric (or semiparametric) fashion
- Testing the effectiveness of the nonparametric CoVaR
- What can one learn from the semiparametric specification



# Outline

1. Motivation ✓
2. Locally Linear Quantile Regression
3. A Semiparametric Model
4. Backtesting
5. Conclusions and Further Work

## Locally Linear Quantile Estimation (LLQR)

- **Locally Linear Quantile Regression (LLQR):**

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\{a_{0,0}, a_{0,1}\}} \sum_{i=1}^N K\left(\frac{x_i - x_0}{h}\right) \rho_q\{y_i - a_{0,0} - a_{0,1}(x_i - x_0)\}. \quad (5)$$

- Choice of Bandwidth: Yu and Jones (1998)
- Asymptotic Confidence Band: Härdle and Song (2010)



## Macroeconomic Drives

Component of  $M_t$ :

1. VIX
2. Short term liquidity spread
3. The daily change in the three-month treasury bill rate
4. The change in the slope of the yield curve
5. The change in the credit spread between BAA-rated bonds and the treasury rate
6. The daily S&P500 index returns
7. The daily Dow Jones U.S. Real Estate index returns



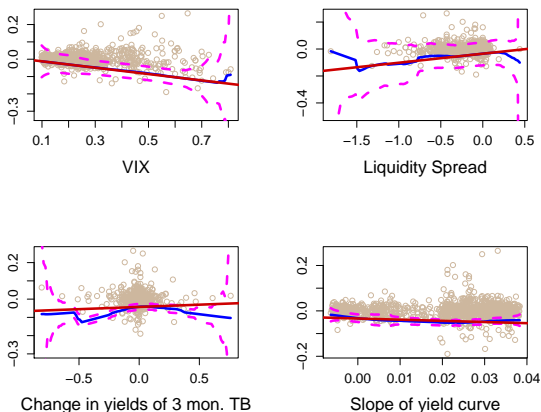


Figure 3: GS daily returns given 7 market variables and LLQR curves. Data 20060804-20110804.  $N = 1260$ .  $\tau = 0.05$ .



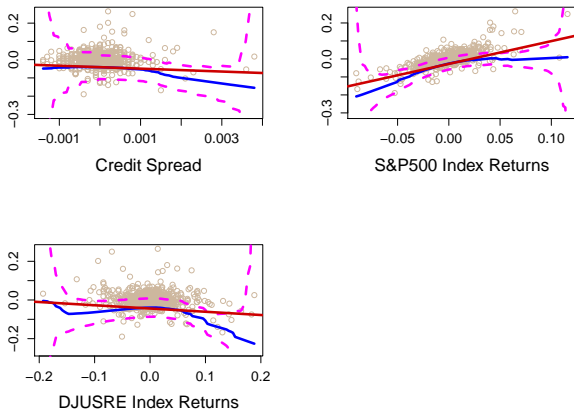


Figure 4: GS daily returns given 7 market variables and LLQR curves. Data 20060804-20110804.  $N = 1260$ .  $\tau = 0.05$ .



## Partial Linear Model

□ Consider

$$X_{i,t} = \alpha_i + \gamma_i M_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{i,t}; \quad (6)$$

$$X_{j,t} = \beta_j M_{t-1} + l(X_{i,t}) + \varepsilon_{j,t} \quad (7)$$

$l$ : a general function.  $M_t$ : state variables.  $F_{\varepsilon_{i,t}}^{-1}(q|M_{t-1}) = 0$   
and  $F_{\varepsilon_{j,t}}^{-1}(q|M_{t-1}, X_{i,t}) = 0$ .

□ Advantage:

1. Capturing nonlinear asset dependence
2. Avoid curse of dimensionality





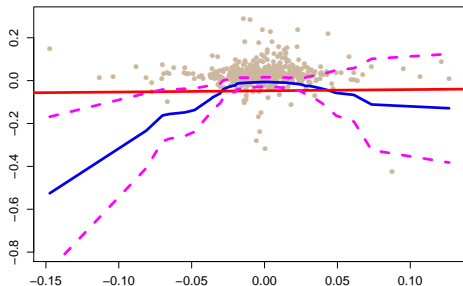


Figure 5: The nonparametric part of the PLM estimation. y-axis=GS daily returns. x-axis=C daily returns. The LLQR quantile curve. Linear parametric quantile line. Confidence band level 0.05. Data 20080625-20081223.  $N=126$ .  $h=0.2003$ .  $q=0.05$ .



## Estimation of Partial Linear Model

- Method: Liang, Härdle and Carroll (1999) and Härdle, Ritov and Song (2011)
- Estimation of  $l$ : LLQR
- $j$ : GS daily returns,  
 $i$ : C daily returns  
Data 20060804-20110804



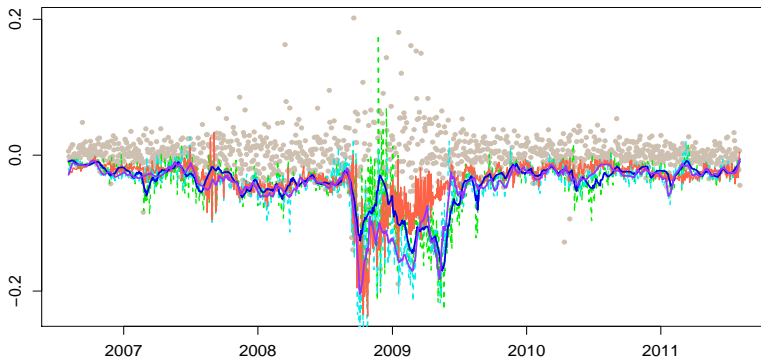


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## Backtesting Tests

- Berkowitz, Christoffersen and Pelletier (2011): If the VaR algorithm is correct, violations should be unpredictable

$$I_t = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } R_t < VaR_{t-1}(q) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Formally, violations  $I_t$  form a sequence of **martingale difference (M.D.)**



## Box Tests

- $\hat{\rho}_k$  be the estimated autocorrelation of lag  $k$  of violation  $\{I_t\}$  and  $N$  be the length of the time series.
- Ljung-Box test:

$$LB(m) = N(N+2) \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\hat{\rho}_k^2}{N-k} \quad (8)$$

- Lobato test:

$$L(m) = N \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\hat{\rho}_k^2}{\hat{v}_{kk}} \quad (9)$$



## CaViaR Test

- Engle and Manganelli (2004)
- Berkowitz, Christoffersen and Pelletier (2011): CaViaR performs best overall
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$$I_t = \alpha + \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_{1k} I_{t-k} + \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_{2k} g(I_{t-k}, I_{t-k-1}, \dots, R_{t-k}, R_{t-k-1}, \dots) + u_t$$

$g(I_{t-k}, I_{t-k-1}, \dots, R_{t-k}, R_{t-k-1}, \dots) = VaR_{t-k+1}$ .  
 $u_t \sim$  Logistic distribution.  $n = 1$ . Testing the nested model and  $P\{I_t = 1\} = e^\alpha / (1 + e^\alpha) = q$  by Wald test.



## Summary of Backtesting Tests

- LB(1): i.i.d. test
- LB(5): i.i.d. test
- L(1): Testing first one lag autocorrelation = 0
- L(5): Testing first five lags autocorrelation = 0
- CaViaR-overall: all data 20060804-20110804
- CaViaR-crisis: data 20080804-20090804



Table 1: PLM CoVaR backtesting p-value.

$i$	LB(1)	LB(5)	L(1)	L(5)	CaViaR-overall	CaViaR-crisis
S&P500	0.0518	0.0006***	0.0999	0.0117*	$2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.0019**
C	0.8109	0.0251*	0.8162	0.2306	$2.946 \times 10^{-9}$ ***	0.0535

Table 2: Linear CoVaR backtesting p-value.

$i$	LB(1)	LB(5)	L(1)	L(5)	CaViaR-overall	CaViaR-crisis
S&P500	0.0869	0.2059	0.2684	0.6586	$8.716 \times 10^{-7}$ ***	0.0424*
C	0.0489*	0.2143	0.1201	0.4335	$3.378 \times 10^{-9}$ ***	0.0001***

Table 3: VaR backtesting p-value.

$i$	LB(1)	LB(5)	L(1)	L(5)	CaViaR-overall	CaViaR-crisis
GS	0.3449	0.0253*	0.3931	0.1310	$1.265 \times 10^{-6}$ ***	0.0024**





## Conclusions and Further Work

- ▣ Semiparametric model may capture risk better than linear model during financial crisis
- ▣ Multivariate nonlinear part in PLM
- ▣ Other assets returns



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## Macorprudential Risk Measures

- Marginal Expected Shortfall (MES):  $R = \sum_i y_i R_i$ ,  $y_i$ : weights,  $R_i$ : asset return

$$\text{MES}_\alpha^i = \frac{\partial \text{ES}_\alpha(R)}{\partial y_i} = -E[R_i | R \leq -\text{VaR}_\alpha]$$

- Distressed Insurance Premium (DIP): Huang et al. (2010)  
 $L = \sum_{i=1}^N L_i$  total loss of a portfolio

$$\text{DIP} = E^Q [L | L \geq L_{\min}]$$






## Advantages of CoVaR

- Cloning Property: if dividing  $X_i$  into several clones, then the value of CoVaR conditioning on the individual large firm does not differ from the one conditioning on one of the clones
- Conservative Property: CoVaR conditioning on some bad event, the value would be more conservative than VaR
- Adaptive to the changing market conditions



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