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Working	Text-Based Linkages and Local Risk Spillo	vers in the Equity Market (Job Mar	ket Paper)		
Papers	ABSTRACT: This paper uses extensive text data to construct firms' links via which local shocks transmit. Using the novel text-based linkages, I estimate a heterogeneous spatial-temporal model which accommodates the contemporaneous and dynamic spillover effects at the same time. I document a considerable degree of local risk spillovers in the market plus sector hierarchical factor model residuals of <i>S&P</i> 500 stocks. The method is found to outperform various previously studied methods in terms of out-of-sample fit. Network analysis of the spatial-temporal model identifies the major systemic risk contributors and receivers, which are of particular interest to microprudential policies. From a macroprudential perspective, a rolling-window analysis reveals that the strength of local risk spillovers increases during periods of crisis, when, on the other hand,				

the market factor loses its importance.

Measuring Sovereign Risk Contagion in Eurozone with Mutual Exciting Regime-Switching Model

ABSTRACT: This paper proposes a mutual exciting regime-switching model to study contagion. Contagion is said to occur if the regime transition probability to the 'volatile' state for one country increases when other countries are in the 'volatile' states in the previous period, after controlling for interdependence. The model has the advantage of accommodating contagion in the mean and in the volatility at the same time. And no a priori specification of the crisis period is required for identification. I apply it to study the sovereign credit risk contagion in Eurozone. The empirical analysis shows that the pricing behavior changes markedly between tranquil and volatile regimes, suggesting there is break contagion. During the volatile regime, international factors become less important, and the regional average spread becomes dominant. Several important drivers of regime shifting are found, and contagion plays an important role in influencing countries' transition probabilities. It is also found that Spain, Italy, and Portugal are the key players in cross country contagion.

A Dynamic Network of Arbitrage Characteristics (with Shaoran Li and Oliver Linton), Revise and Resubmit for Journal of Business & Economic Statistics

We propose an asset pricing factor model constructed with semi-parametric characteristics-based mispricing and factor loading functions. This model captures common movements of stock excess returns and includes a two-layer network of arbitrage returns interconnected by security-specific characteristics. We approximate the unknown functions by B-splines where the number of B-splines coefficients is diverging. We estimate this model and test the existence of the mispricing function by a power enhanced hypothesis test. The enhanced test solves the low power problem caused by diverging B-spline coefficients. Meanwhile, the strengthened power approaches to one asymptotically. And the dynamic networks are explored through Hierarchical K-Means Clusterings from detected mispricing functions. We apply our methodology to CRSP monthly data for the US stock market with one-year rolling windows during 1967-2017. This empirical study shows the presence of mispricing functions in certain time blocks and a dynamic network structure of arbitrage returns through groups of some characteristics.

WORKINGAugment Large Covariance Matrix Estimation with Auxiliary Information (with Shaoran LiIN PROGESSand Weiguang Liu)

ABSTRACT: To estimate a large covariance matrix is a challenging job. Suppose we have identified a network *G* among cross-sections from auxiliary information such as network data. We propose a linear projection method to incorporate such information in the estimation of large covariance matrix to improve efficiency. The simulation shows improvement in both Frobenius Norm and Matrix 1-norm over the linear shrinkage method, sample covariance matrix, and thresholding estimator.

Spatial Threshold Model: with an Application to Euro Area Credit Risk Contagion (with Yimeng Xie)

ABSTRACT: In this paper, we study the spatial autoregressive (SAR) model with threshold in a small N and large T setting. The framework is used to model multi-country contagion, and several sources of contagion can be distinguished. We apply it to study the Euro area credit risk contagion problem. We use time-varying foreign claims as our spatial weighting matrices, and alternative threshold variables are applied. We found significant fundamental contagion and shift contagion but no pure contagion. In the crisis regime, sovereign credit risk is more 'sovereign' and less exposed to spatial spillovers, supporting the decoupling hypothesis.

Generalized EGARCH Model: Factor-EGARCH (with Shaoran Li and Weiguang Liu)

Abstract: One interesting stylized facts of the financial market is although firms' idiosyncratic returns share very little common variation, their idiosyncratic volatilities tend to move together. While the volatility clustering in time has been widely explored, the volatility clustering in crosssections has been less touched until recently. In this paper, we propose a Generalized EGARCH model with multiplicative common volatility factor, which aims to capture volatility clustering in both time and cross-sectional dimensions.

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Presentations	Modelling with Big Data & Machine Learning, Bank of England	2020
	• Department of Economics Seminar, University of Reading	2020
	EDGE Jamboree, University of Copenhagen	2020
	• Econometrics workshop, University of Southern California (twice)	2020
	• Economics Brownbag Seminar, University of Southern California	2020
	Cambridge-INET Econometrics Mini Conference, University of Cambridge	2019
	Cambridge Econometrics workshop, University of Cambridge (twice)	2019
	• UC3M Econometrics Conference (jointly with Cambridge, LSE, and QMUL), UC3	3M 2018
	Cambridge Econometrics workshop, University of Cambridge (twice)	2018
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