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#### Outline

The dissertation contributes to areas of high dimensional financial engineering, especially in dependence modeling and sequential surveillance:

- 1. A review of state-of-the-art research proceeding of copula is given and a related application in financial engineering is performed to introduce the modern construction of multivariate distribution function.
- 2. The convex combination of copulae is proposed to improve the accuracy of pricing model of high-dimensional portfolio-like credit derivatives.
- 3. An R package "EnergyOnlineCPM" is developed for distribution-free sequential surveillance for multivariate independent statistical process.
- 4. A nonparametric multivariate statistical process control chart is devised to monitor high dimensional portfolios with no pre-knowledge and with online surveillance.

#### 1 Copulae in High Dimensions: An Introduction

published in *Applied Quantitative Finance*, W. Härdle, C. Chen, L. Overbeck (Eds.). (2017), pp. 247-277. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg. (with O. Okhrin and A. Ristig)

- The bivariate copulas are introduced as a fundamental followed with the multivariate copulas which are the concentration in multivariate distribution modeling.
- Three main diverse multivariate dependence modeling tools are presented, including the hierarchical Archimedean copula, the factor copula and vine copula.
- Inference (estimation and test) for multivariate copulas including parametric and nonparametric routines, are presented.
- An empirical study of employing multivariate copulas in risk management is performed for Value-at-Risk computation and comparison.

## 2 A Comparison Study of Pricing Credit Default Swap Index Tranches with Convex Combination of Copulae

published in *The North American Journal of Economics and Finance*, Vol. 42C (2017) pp. 193-217. (with O. Okhrin)

• Convex combination of copulae is in first time employed in pricing the portfolio-like derivative, e.g. Collateralized Debt Obligation and Credit Default Swap Index.

- Many common used copulas including Gaussian, Student-t, Frank, Gumbel, Joe and Clayton copulas, are used to construct convex two combination of copulae, in order to explore the virtues like heterogeneous sector dependence and asymmetric tail-dependence.
- Two empirical studies with 125-dimensional data sets of Collateralized Debt Obligation and Credit Default Swap Index, clearly reveal that the performance of pricing using convex combination of copulae exceeds mainstream benchmark models.

## 3 EnergyOnlineCPM: An R Package for Nonparametric Multivariate Statistical Process Control

published in The Comprehensive R Archive Network in 2017. (with O. Okhrin)

- It is the first R package which concentrates on nonparametrical simultaneous monitoring of mean and covariance for multivariate statistical process.
- The energy discrepancy is employed in the package with default parallel algorithm for computation of permutation test. Real time tracking of computing process is provided.
- Since the package is already published in *The Comprehensive R Archive Network* (CRAN), hence the installation and document reference is convenient and user-friendly.

## 4 A Nonparametric Multivariate Statistical Process Control Chart for Financial Surveillance

submitted in 2017. (with O. Okhrin)

- A nonparametric control chart based on the change point model, for multivariate statistical process control (MSPC), is proposed.
- It is a nonparametric control chart, requiring no pre-knowledge of the data generating processes, needing only independent observations.
- It monitors the statistical process on covariance and mean simultaneously, not separately focusing on each one.
- It is designed for online detection (Phase II) of change point, which is central for real time surveillance of stream data.
- A simulation study comparing with three journal-published benchmark models and an empirical study using 5, 29, 90 dimensional data sets, show strong performance in simulation results and in financial turmoil detection for high dimensional portfolios.