Valuation of Collateralized Funds of Hedge Fund Obligations: a basket option pricing approach

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Abstract The purpose of the present contribution is to provide an extension to a model developed by Tassinari and Corradi [9] to price equity and debt tranches of a Collateralized fund of hedge fund Obligations. Since the value of every tranche depends on the evolution of the collateral portfolio during the life of the contract, the idea is to evaluate each CFO liability as an option on the underlying basket of hedge funds. The proposed model is able to capture skewness, excess-kurtosis in hedge funds' log-returns distribution and to generate a more complex dependence structure than the linear one. At the same time, this new model can be calibrated to the empirical correlation matrix. Finally, the adopted approach allows to find explicit relations among physical and risk neutral processes and distributions at both marginal and joint level.

1.1 Introduction

In a recent contribution Tassinari and Corradi [9] developed a model to price equity and debt tranches of a Collateralized fund of hedge fund Obligations (CFO). The basic idea developed therein is to compute the fair price of each tranche as its risk neutral expected payoff, discounted at the risk free rate. In fact, as we highlighted, a CFO can be seen as firm with a fixed maturity. Default can be triggered either by the fact that the CFO's Net Asset Value (NAV) at maturity is too low to cover the promised debt payment, as in the traditional Merton's structural firm value model [7], or by the violation of an over collateralization test, which represents a barrier, as

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in the traditional Black-Cox's model [1]. Thus, each CFO tranche is regarded as an option on the underlying pool of hedge funds. The value of every liability is linked to the dynamics of the collateral portfolio's NAV during the life of the contract. To evaluate dynamically the collateral portfolio NAV it is necessary to model the joint risk neutral evolution of the underlying hedge funds and at the same time any CFO's structural features like coupon payments, over collateralization test, liquidity profile, equity distribution rules, management fees and so on have to be taken into account. In [9] the physical dependence among hedge fund log-returns is introduced through a Gamma stochastic time change of a Multivariate Brownian motion with drift, with independent components [2, 6]. From a methodological stand point, the main limitation of that model lies in a low degree of flexibility: in particular, it is not able to replicate the correlations observed in the market. In the present contribution we propose a model able to capture skewness, excess-kurtosis in hedge funds' logreturns distribution and to generate a more complex dependence structure than the linear one. At the same time, this new model can be calibrated to the empirical correlation matrix. Finally, the adopted approach allows to find explicit relations among physical and risk neutral processes and distributions at both marginal and joint level.

The work is organized as follows. In section 1.2 we present the model applied to describe the physical evolution of hedge fund log-returns. In section 1.3 we discuss the change of measure and its impact on marginal and joint processes. In section 1.4 the estimation methodology and the simulation procedure are illustrated. In section 1.5 we discuss the pricing applications and the results.

1.2 Hedge funds' log-returns P-dynamics

The dynamics of hedge funds' log-returns is described through a Multivariate Variance Gamma (MVG) process, obtained time changing a Multivariate Brownian motion (MBm), with correlated components, through an independent-common Gamma process. Then, to get more flexibility we added a linear trend. Modelling dependence in this way allows to introduce two sources of co-movement among the NAV of different hedge funds. First, the use of a common stochastic clock introduces a new business time, in which all the market operates, it means all prices jump simultaneously [2, 3, 6, 9]. Secondly, jump sizes are correlated [2, 5, 8]. The NAV at time *t* of each hedge fund is given by the initial NAV times the exponential of a Variance Gamma process with linear drift:

$$F_t^j = F_0^j \exp(Y_t^j) \tag{1.1}$$

where F_t^j and F_0^j is the NAV of the hedge fund *j* at times *t* and 0, while Y_t^j is the log-return of the *j*-th hedge fund over the interval [0; *t*] for every j = 1, ..., n. The log-return of hedge fund *j* is

$$Y_t^j = \mu_j t + \theta_j G_t + \sigma_j W_{G_t}^j \tag{1.2}$$

where $G = \{G_t, t \ge 0\}$ is the common Gamma stochastic time change process such that $G_t \sim Gamma(t/v, 1/v)$ and v > 0, $W^j = \{W_t^j, t \ge 0\}$ and $W^k = \{W_t^k, t \ge 0\}$ are correlated Wiener processes with correlation coefficient $\rho_{jk}, W_G^j = \{W_{G_t}^j, t \ge 0\}$ is the *j*-th Wiener process subordinated by the common Gamma process, μ_j, θ_j , and $\sigma_j > 0$ are constants. The above assumptions lead to the following simple expression for hedge funds' *j* and *k* log-returns covariance

$$\sigma\left(Y_t^j;Y_t^k\right) = \theta_j \theta_k E(G_t^2) + \sigma_j \sigma_k E(G_t) E(W_t^j W_t^K) = (\theta_j \theta_k v + \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk})t \quad (1.3)$$

and for correlation

$$\rho\left(Y_{t}^{j};Y_{t}^{k}\right) = \frac{\theta_{j}\theta_{k}\nu + \sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{j}^{2} + \nu\theta_{j}^{2}}\sqrt{\sigma_{k}^{2} + \nu\theta_{k}^{2}}}$$
(1.4)

Due to jumps size correlation, this process is more flexible in modelling dependence among hedge funds compared to the one presented in [9]. In particular,

- pairs of hedge funds with skewness of the same sign could be negatively correlated;
- pairs of hedge funds with skewness of opposite sign could be positively correlated;
- an asset with a symmetric distribution could be correlated with other assets;
- pairs of assets have null correlation if and only if at least one of them has a symmetric distribution and their underlying Brownian motions are uncorrelated.

To compute the Characteristic function (Cf) of the MVG process we follow the same procedure of [9]. The Laplace Exponent of the Gamma subordinator is

$$l(u) = -\frac{\ln\left(1 - uv\right)}{v} \tag{1.5}$$

while the Characteristic Exponent of the MBm with dependent components is

$$c(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} i u_j \theta_j - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} u_j u_k \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk}, \ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$
(1.6)

Using theorem 4.2 [2] we get the Cf of the MVG process with t = 1

$$\Psi_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}(\mathbf{u}) = \exp\left(i\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j}\mu_{j}\right) \times \left[1 - \nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} iu_{j}\theta_{j} - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}^{n}\sum_{k}^{n} u_{j}u_{k}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}\right)\right]^{-1/\nu}$$
(1.7)

From this expression we can derive the joint Moment Generating Function (Mgf) of \mathbf{Y}_1 , which is defined when the argument between the square brackets is positive

$$M_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}(\mathbf{u}) = \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j}\mu_{j}\right) \times \left[1 - \nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j}\theta_{j} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}^{n}\sum_{k}^{n} u_{j}u_{k}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}\right)\right]^{-1/\nu}$$
(1.8)

From (1.7) its really simple to get the Cf of Y_1^j

$$\Psi_{Y_1^j}(u_j) = \exp\left(iu_j\mu_j\right) \left(1 - iu_j\theta_j \nu + \frac{1}{2}u_j^2\sigma_j^2\nu\right)^{-1/\nu}$$
(1.9)

1.3 Change of measure and hedge funds' log-returns Q_h-dynamics

Assuming also the existence of a bank account which provides a continuously compounded risk free rate r constant over the interval [0; T], our market model is arbitrage free, since the price process of every asset has both positive and negative jumps [2]. This ensures the existence of an equivalent martingale measure. However, the model is not complete, because the risk due to jumps cannot be hedged. Therefore, the equivalent martingale measure is not unique. Among the possible candidates we select the Esscher Equivalent Martingale Measure (EEMM) [4, 8, 9]. The $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$ Esscher measure associated with the multivariate log-returns process \mathbf{Y} is defined by the following Radon-Nikodym derivative:

$$\frac{dQ_{\mathbf{h}}}{dP}|\mathfrak{I}_{t} = \frac{\exp(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j})}{E\left[\exp(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j})\right]}$$
(1.10)

In order to find the Esscher risk neutral dynamics of Y two steps are needed:

• find a vector **h** such that the discounted price process of every asset is a martingale under the new probability measure $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$, that solves the system

$$E\left[\exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j}+Y_{t}^{1}\right)\right]/E\left[\exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j}\right)\right]=\exp(rt)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$E\left[\exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j}+Y_{t}^{n}\right)\right]/E\left[\exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{t}^{j}\right)\right]=\exp(rt) \qquad (1.11)$$

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- find the Cf of the process Y under $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$.

Making use of (1.8), after some computations and rearrangements, the system (1.11) may be written as:

$$\frac{1}{\nu} \ln \left[1 - \frac{\nu(\theta_1 + 0.5\sigma_1^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n h_j \sigma_1 \sigma_j \rho_{1j})}{1 - \nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^n h_j \theta_j + \frac{1}{2}\sum_j^n \sum_k^n h_j h_k \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk}\right)} \right] = \mu_1 - r$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\frac{1}{\nu} \ln \left[1 - \frac{\nu(\theta_n + 0.5\sigma_n^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n h_j \sigma_n \sigma_j \rho_{nj})}{1 - \nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^n h_j \theta_j + \frac{1}{2}\sum_j^n \sum_k^n h_j h_k \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk}\right)} \right] = \mu_n - r \quad (1.12)$$

with the following constraints

$$\left[1-\nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}\theta_{j}+\frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}^{n}\sum_{k}^{n}h_{j}h_{k}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}\right)\right]>0$$
(1.13)

and

$$1 - \nu (\sum_{j \neq q}^{n} h_{j} \theta_{j} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq q}^{n} \sum_{k \neq q}^{n} h_{j} h_{k} \sigma_{j} \sigma_{k} \rho_{jk}) - \nu ((h_{q} + 1) \theta_{q} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq q}^{n} h_{j} (h_{q} + 1) \sigma_{j} \sigma_{q} \rho_{jq} + \frac{1}{2} (h_{q} + 1)^{2} \sigma_{q}^{2}) > 0 \quad (1.14)$$

for q = 1, ..., n. From (1.12) we easily get:

$$(a_{1} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} h_{j}b_{1j})/A_{1} = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j}h_{j} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} h_{j}h_{k}b_{jk}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$(a_{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} h_{j}b_{nj})/A_{n} = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j}h_{j} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} h_{j}h_{k}b_{jk}$$
(1.15)

where $a_j = v(\theta_j + 0.5\sigma_j^2)$, $b_{jk} = v\sigma_{jk}$, $c_j = v\theta_j$, $A_j = 1 - \exp[v(\mu_j - r)]$, j = 1, ..., n and k = 1, ..., n. After some simple rearrangements and computations, the last n - 1 equations can be written as follows

$$\sum_{j=2}^{n} h_j F_{2j} = h_1 D_2 + E_2$$

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$$\sum_{j=2}^{n} h_j F_{nj} = h_1 D_n + E_n$$
(1.16)

where $D_j = A_1 b_{j1} - A_j b_{11}$, $E_j = A_1 a_j - A_j a_1$, and $F_{kj} = A_k b_{1j} - A_1 b_{kj}$ for j = 2, 3, ..., n and k = 2, 3, ..., n. Under the assumption that the matrix of the coefficients F_{kj} is not singular, we can express the solution of (1.16) as a linear function of h_1 , using Cramer's method:

$$h_{2} = \frac{\det F_{1}(D)}{\det F}h_{1} + \frac{\det F_{1}(E)}{\det F}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$h_{n} = \frac{\det F_{n-1}(D)}{\det F}h_{1} + \frac{\det F_{n-1}(E)}{\det F}$$
(1.17)

where *F* is the coefficients matrix F_{kj} , $F_k(D)$ is the matrix obtained substituting its *k*-th column with vector *D*, $F_k(E)$ is the matrix obtained substituting its *k*-th column with vector *E*.

Substituting (1.17) in the first equation of the system (1.15), after tedious computations we get a quadratic equation in only one unknown h_1 :

$$eh_1^2 + fh_1 + g = 0 \tag{1.18}$$

where

$$e = \frac{A_1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} I_k I_j b_{kj}$$
(1.19)

$$f = A_1 \left[\sum_{j=1}^n I_j c_j + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=2}^n I_j L_k b_{jk} \right] + \sum_{j=1}^n I_j b_{1j}$$
(1.20)

$$g = A_1 \left[\sum_{j=2}^n L_j c_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{k=2}^n L_j L_k b_{jk} - 1 \right] + a_1 + \sum_{j=2}^n L_j b_{1j}$$
(1.21)

and with $I_1 = 1$, $I_k = \frac{\det F_{k-1}(D)}{\det F}$, $L_k = \frac{\det F_{k-1}(E)}{\det F}$, k = 2, 3, ...n. The analysis of the existence of solutions of the equation (1.18), although simple in principle, is a very hard task in practice. However, in all our experiments we found that equation (1.18) possesses a unique solution and therefore a unique vector

$$\mathbf{h} = [h_1; D_2 h_1 + E_2; \dots; D_n h_1 + E_n]$$
(1.22)

exists satisfying the constraints (1.13) and (1.14), where

$$h_1 = \frac{-f - \sqrt{f^2 - 4eg}}{2e} \tag{1.23}$$

This ensures the existence and the uniqueness of the EEMM. The joint Mgf for t = 1 under the EEMM can be computed as follows:

$$M_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}^{\mathcal{Q}}(\mathbf{u}) = E^{\mathcal{Q}}\mathbf{h}\left[\exp\sum_{j=1}^{n}u_{j}Y_{1}^{j}\right] = \frac{E\left[\exp\sum_{j=1}^{n}(h_{j}+u_{j})Y_{1}^{j}\right]}{E\left[\exp\sum_{j=1}^{n}h_{j}Y_{1}^{j}\right]}$$
(1.24)

After tedious computations and some rearrangements we get the following expression:

$$M_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}^{Q_{\mathbf{h}}} (\mathbf{u}) = \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j}\mu_{j}\right) \times \left[1 - \frac{\nu(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j}(\theta_{j} + \sum_{k=1}^{n} h_{j}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}) + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j=1}^{n}\sum_{k=1}^{n} u_{j}u_{k}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk})}{1 - \nu\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} h_{j}\theta_{j} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}^{n}\sum_{k}^{n} h_{j}h_{k}\sigma_{j}\sigma_{k}\rho_{jk}\right)}\right]^{-1/\nu} (1.25)$$

The joint $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$ Mgf can be written in the following form

$$M_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{u}) = \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j} \mu_{j}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}\right) \times \left[1 - v^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} u_{j} \theta_{j}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j}^{n} \sum_{k}^{n} u_{j} u_{k} \sigma_{j}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}} \sigma_{k}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}} \rho_{jk}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}\right)\right]^{-1/v^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}} (1.26)$$

where relations among statistical and Esscher risk neutral parameters are

$$\mu_j^{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{h} = \mu_j \tag{1.27}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}^{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{h} = \boldsymbol{\nu} \tag{1.28}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{h} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\theta}_j + \sum_{k=1}^n h_k \boldsymbol{\sigma}_j \boldsymbol{\sigma}_k \boldsymbol{\rho}_{jk}}{(1.29)}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}_{j}^{-\mathbf{n}} = \frac{1}{1 - v \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} h_{j} \theta_{j} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j}^{n} \sum_{k}^{n} h_{j} h_{k} \sigma_{j} \sigma_{k} \rho_{jk} \right)}$$
(1.29)

$$(\sigma_j^{\mathcal{Q}}\mathbf{h})^2 = \frac{\sigma_j^2}{1 - \nu \left(\sum_{j=1}^n h_j \theta_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_j^n \sum_k^n h_j h_k \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk}\right)}$$
(1.30)

$$\sigma_{jk}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}} = \frac{\sigma_{jk}}{1 - \nu \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} h_j \theta_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j}^{n} \sum_{k}^{n} h_j h_k \sigma_j \sigma_k \rho_{jk} \right)}$$
(1.31)

$$\rho_{jk}^{Q}\mathbf{h} = \rho_{jk} \tag{1.32}$$

From (1.26) we can easily obtain the joint $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$ Cf

$$\Psi_{\mathbf{Y}_{1}}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{u}) = \exp\left(i\sum_{j=1}^{n}u_{j}\mu_{j}\right) \times \left[1 - \nu\left(i\sum_{j=1}^{n}u_{j}\theta_{j}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}} - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}^{n}\sum_{k}^{n}u_{j}u_{k}\sigma_{j}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}\sigma_{k}^{\mathcal{Q}\mathbf{h}}\rho_{jk}\right)\right]^{-1/\nu} (1.33)$$

The *j*-th $Q_{\mathbf{h}}$ marginal Cf (for j = 1, ..., n) is given by:

$$\Psi_{Y_1 j}^{Q} \mathbf{h}(u_j) = \exp(i u_j \mu_j) \left[1 - \nu(i u_j \theta_j^{Q} \mathbf{h} - \frac{1}{2} u_j^2 (\sigma_j^{Q} \mathbf{h})^2) \right]^{(-1/\nu)}$$
(1.34)

Comparing (1.33) and (1.34) with (1.7) and (1.9) it is readily seen that the joint and marginal Cfs under both probability measures are the same type. Under the ESMM the log-returns process is obtained by time-changing a MBm with correlated components, with an independent Gamma process. In particular, the underlying dependence structure is not affected by the change of measure. Precisely, the Brownian motions have the same correlation matrix and the Gamma process has the same parameters under both probability spaces. However, covariances, correlations, and marginal moments change. In particular, the log-return of the *j*-th hedge fund over the interval [0; t] under Q_h is

$$Y_t^j = \mu_j t + \theta_j^{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{h} G_t + \sigma_j^{\mathcal{Q}} \mathbf{h} W_{G_t}^j$$
(1.35)

1.4 Estimation and Simulation

1.4.1 Real World and Risk Neutral parameters estimation

In the applications of section 1.5, the collateral portfolio is made up by eight hedge fund indices, the same reported in [8, 9].¹ Real world parameters are estimated using a two steps procedure. First step, we estimate the margins using the constrained version of the method of moments described in [8, 9]. Second step, we use the implied correlations derived using (1.4) to estimate the correlation matrix. Then, using vector **h**, the estimates of physical parameters and (1.27), we get the risk neutral ones. This estimation methodology allows to analyse the impact of a different dependence structure comparing the results of this contribution with those of [9]. Tables 1.1 and 1.3 report the marginal parameter same reported in Table 1.2. Comparing Table 1.2 with Table 7 of [9], it must be emphasized that the dependence structure has a relevant impact on the risk neutral parameters. In fact, even if marginal parameter estimates are the same under the real world probability measure in both models, under the ESSM they are different. The way, risk premiums are determined, is influenced by the underlying dependence structure.²

¹ The data set is the same used by [9]

² See system (1.12)

1.4.2 Simulation

To simulate the paths of n dependent hedge fund NAVs under the EEMM we can proceed as follows.

Let $F_{t_0}^j$ the NAV of hedge fund *j* at time 0 for j = 1, ..., n.

Divide the time-interval [0, T] into N equally spaced intervals $\Delta t = T/N$ and set $t_k = k\Delta t$, for k = 0, ..., N.

For every hedge fund repeat the following steps for *k* from 1 to *N*:

- sample a random number g_k out of the Gamma $(\Delta t/\nu, 1/\nu)$ distribution;
- sample an independent standard Normal random number $w_{t_k}^j$;
- convert these random numbers $w_{t_k}^j$ into correlated random numbers $v_{t_k}^j$ by using the Cholesky decomposition of the implied correlation matrix of the underlying Brownian Motions;
- compute

$$F_{t_k}^j = F_{t_{k-1}}^j \exp\left[\mu_j \Delta t + \theta_j^{\mathcal{Q}_h} g_k + \sigma_j^{\mathcal{Q}_h} \sqrt{g_k} v_{t_k}^j\right]$$
(1.36)

To simulate a simple trajectory of the NAV of the collateral fund of hedge funds it is sufficient to compute for k from 1 to N

$$F_{t_k} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} F_{t_k}^j.$$
(1.37)

In our applications, we will also take into account the impact of CFO structural features to describe the temporal evolution of the NAV of the collateral portfolio.

1.5 Applications and Results

In this section we price debt and equity securities of the three theoretical CFOs described in [9]. We assume the existence of a risk free asset with a constant annual log-return r = 4%. The collateral portfolio is the same in all applications with a CFO a scheduled maturity T = 5 years.³ Firstly, we price a very simple CFO, in which its liability side is represented only by zero coupon bonds with different priorities and an equity tranche. Table 1.4 reports notes and equity fair prices of this CFO.⁴ Secondly, we consider a CFO structure in which liabilities are represented by different coupon bonds and a paying dividend equity tranche. Equity and debt tranches prices are exhibited in Table 1.5. In both previous cases, we have assumed that default could happen only at maturity. In the last application, we introduce the possibility of default before maturity, due to a violation of an over collateralization

³ For a detailed description of these CFO's structures see [9].

⁴ The line MVG (IND) contains prices computed using the model developed in [9]. The line MVG (DEP) contains prices computed using the model described in this contribution.

test, and the CFO liquidity profile. Table 1.4 contains our pricing results.⁵ Switching from MVG (IND) to MVG (DEP) model

- without barriers, equity fair prices increase, while lower debt tranches prices decrease
- with barriers, all securities prices decrease.

Results reported in Table 1.4 clearly indicate the importance of modelling risk correctly, both at marginal and joint level. While the price of the equity tranche is marginally affected by the choice of the model, the impact on debt tranches fair prices is really strong.

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Real World Parameters

Index	μ_j	θ_{j}	σ_j	v
Convertible Arbitrage	0,09318	-0,02330	0,04590	0,33333
Dedicated Short Bias	-0,05208	0,02691	0,16397	0,33333
Emerging Markets	0,13886	-0,05419	0,15268	0,33333
Equity Market Neutral	0,08316	0,00281	0,02647	0,33333
Event Driven	0,17030	-0,07013	0,03866	0,33333
ED Distressed	0,17588	-0,06401	0,04969	0,33333
ED Multi-Strategy	0,14482	-0,05025	0,05321	0,33333
ED Risk Arbitrage	0,08215	-0,01534	0,03925	0,33333

Table 1.2

Risk Neutral Parameters

Index	μ_j	$\theta_j^{Q_h}$	$\sigma_j^{\mathcal{Q}_h}$	v
Convertible Arbitrage	0,09318	-0,05524	0,05619	0,33333
Dedicated Short Bias	-0,05208	0,07054	0,20072	0,33333
Emerging Markets	0,13886	-0,11797	0,18690	0,33333
Equity Market Neutral	0,08316	-0,04400	0,03241	0,33333
Event Driven	0,17030	-0,13429	0,04732	0,33333
ED Distressed	0,17588	-0,14085	0,06083	0,33333
ED Multi-Strategy	0,14482	-0,10879	0,06514	0,33333
ED Risk Arbitrage	0,08215	-0,04360	0,04804	0,33333

1.6 Further Reading

Brooks, C., Kat, H. M., (2002). The Statistical Properties of Hedge Fund Index Returns and Their Implications For Investors. In: The Journal of Alternative Investments, 5 (2), 26-44.

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⁵ The line MGBm contains prices computed using the multivariate Black and Scholes option pricing model.

Table 1.3

Brownian Motions Implied Correlation Matrix

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ρ_{jk}	CA	DSB	EM	EMN	ED	D	MS	RA
CA	1,00	-0,27	0,29	0,35	0,52	0,43	0,52	0,31
DSB	-0,27	1,00	-0,54	-0,34	-0,72	-0,68	-0,57	-0,49
EM	0,29	-0,54	1,00	0,28	0,74	0,63	0,69	0,42
EMN	0,35	-0,34	0,28	1,00	0,53	0,47	0,41	0,30
ED	0,52	-0,72	0,74	0,53	1,00	0,82	0,86	0,66
D	0,43	-0,68	0,63	0,47	0,82	1,00	0,67	0,53
MS	0,52	-0,57	0,69	0,41	0,86	0,67	1,00	0,60
RA	0,31	-0,49	0,42	0,30	0,66	0,53	0,60	1,00

Table 1.4

Asset Side 1000: Fund of Hedge Funds

Liability Side 1000: Equity and Three Zero Coupon Bonds

Prices	EQUITY	ZCB A	ZCB B	ZCB C
	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE
MVG (IND)	178,641	570	150,281	101,078
MVG (DEP)	179,036	570	150,278	100,686

Table 1.5

Asset Side 1000: Fund of Hedge Funds Liability Side 1000: Paying Dividend Equity and Three Coupon Bonds

Prices	EQUITY	CB A	CB B	CB C
	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE
MVG (IND) (0% Div.)	178,339	570	150,284	101,304
MVG (IND) (50% Div.)	178,439	570	150,276	101,165
MVG (IND) (100% Div.)	178,623	570	150,264	100,978
MVG (DEP) (0% Div.)	178,539	570	150,268	101,134
MVG (DEP) (50% Div.)	178,714	570	150,258	100,954
MVG (DEP) (100% Div.)	179,009	570	150,244	100,668

Table 1.6

Asset Side 1000: Fund of Hedge Funds

Liability Side 1000: Paying (50%) Dividend Equity and Three Coupon Bonds CFO tranche prices with barrier (105%) and management fees (0,5%)

MODEL	EQUITY	CB A	CB B	CB C
	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE	TRANCHE
MGBm				
Prices with fees	154,977	569,912	149,994	101,439
(Prices with no fees)	(177,282)	(569,974)	(150,226)	(102,014)
MVG (IND)				
Prices with fees	154,894	567,517	146,788	92,873
(Prices with no fees)	(176,443)	(568,073)	(147,725)	(95,291)
MVG (DEP)				
Prices with fees	154,837	566,788	145,762	90,356
(Prices with no fees)	(176,199)	(567,475)	(146,921)	(93,294)

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