

A DETAILED EXAMINATION OF LOCAL COMPOSITE QUANTILE REGRESSION IN STOCHASTIC DIFFUSION MODELS

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Abstract: In this paper, we delve into the realm of Composite Quantile Regression (CQR) for parameter estimation within the context of diffusion models. While CQR has found utility in classical linear regression models and general non-parametric regression models, it has yet to be explored extensively in the domain of diffusion models. The diffusion model we consider operates within the framework of a filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}, P)$, described by the stochastic differential equation:

$$dX_t = \beta(t)b(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t,$$

where $\beta(t)$ is a time-dependent drift function, $\sigma(\cdot)$ and $b(\cdot)$ are known functions. Notably, this model encompasses several renowned option pricing models and interest rate term structure models, including Black and Scholes (1973), Vasicek (1977), Ho and Lee (1986), and Black, Derman, and Toy (1990), among others.

Our exploration of CQR in diffusion models seeks to provide a robust framework for estimating regression coefficients in scenarios with intricate dynamics. By extending CQR to this domain, we aim to enhance our understanding of parameter estimation in diffusion models and contribute valuable insights to financial modeling and related fields.

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1. Introduction

Composite quantile regression (CQR) is proposed by Zou and Yuan (2008) for estimating regression coefficients in classical linear regression models. More recently, Kai et al. (2010) considers a general non-parametric regression models by using CQR method. However, to our knowledge, little literature has researched parameter estimation by CQR in diffusion models. This motivates us to consider estimating regression coefficients under the framework of diffusion models. In this paper, we consider the diffusion model on a filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}, P)$,

$$(1.1) \quad dX_t = \beta(t)b(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t,$$

where $\beta(t)$ is a time-dependent drift function and $\sigma(\cdot)$ and $b(\cdot)$ are known functions. Model (1.1) includes many famous option pricing models and interest rate term structure models, such as Black and Scholes (1973), Vasicek (1977), Ho and Lee (1986), Black, Derman and Toy (1990) and so on. W_t is the standard Brownian motion.

We allow being smooth in time. The

techniques that we employ here are based on local linear fitting (see Fan and Gijbels (1996)) for the time-dependent parameter. The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we propose the local linear composite quantile regression estimation for the drift parameter and study its asymptotic properties. The asymptotic relative efficiency of the local estimation with respect to local least squares estimation is discussed in Section 3. The proof of result is given in Section 4.

2. Local estimation of the time-dependent parameter

$\{X_{ti}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \quad t^1 \leq t^2 \leq \dots \leq t^{n+1}$. Denote

Let the data be equally sampled at discrete time points,

$Y_{ti} = X_{ti} - X_{t_{i-1}}$, $\varepsilon_{ti} = W_{ti} - W_{t_{i-1}}$, and $\Delta t_i = t_i - t_{i-1}$. Due to the independent increment property of Brownian motion

$W_{t_i}, \varepsilon_{ti}$ are independent and normally distributed with mean zero and variance Δt_i . Thus, the discretized version of the model (1.1) can be expressed as

$$(2.1) \quad Y_{ti} = \mu(t_i) \Delta t_i + \varepsilon_{ti} \quad \varepsilon_{ti} \sim N(0, \Delta t_i)$$

$\varepsilon_{ti} \sim N(0, \Delta t_i)$. The first-order discretized

where are independent and normally distributed with mean zero and variance approximation error to the continuous-time model is extremely small according to the findings in Stanton (1997) and Fan and Zhang (2003), this simplifies the estimation procedure.

Suppose the drift parameter $\mu(t)$ to be twice continuously differentiable in t . We can take $\mu(t)$ to be local t_0 , we use the approximation linear fitting. That is, for a given time point

$$(2.2) \quad \mu(t) \approx \mu(t_0) + \mu'(t_0)(t - t_0)$$

for t in a small neighborhood of t_0 . Let h denote the size of the neighborhood and $K(\cdot)$ be a nonnegative weighted function. h and $K(\cdot)$ are the bandwidth parameter and kernel function, respectively. Denoting $\mu_0 = \mu(t_0)$ and

$\mu_1 = \mu'(t_0)$, (2.2) can be expressed as

$$(2.3) \quad \mu(t) \approx \mu_0 + \mu_1(t - t_0)$$

$\mu(t)$

Now we propose the local linear CQR estimation of the drift parameter $\mu(t)$. Let

$$k = \lfloor nr \rfloor$$

$\rho_k(r) = \rho_k(r) = I\{r \leq 0\}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, q$, which are q check loss functions at q quantile positions: q^{-1} . Thus,

$\mu(t)$

following the local CQR technique, $\mu(t)$ can be estimated via minimizing the locally weighted CQR loss

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^q \rho_k \left(\frac{Y_{ti} - \mu(t)}{\Delta t_i} \right) K_h(t_i - t_0)$$

$t_i - t_0$ $K_h(t_i - t_0) = K\left(\frac{t_i - t_0}{h}\right)$ where h and K is a properly selected bandwidth. Denote the minimizer of the locally weighted

$$(\hat{\mu}_1, \hat{\mu}_2, \dots, \hat{\mu}_q, \hat{\mu})^T$$

CQR loss (2.4) by $\hat{\mu}$. Then, we let

$$(2.5) \quad \hat{\mu}(t_0) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\mu}_{ok}$$

$$\bar{q} = k^{-1}$$

We refer to $\hat{\mu}(t_0)$ as the local linear CQR estimation of $\mu(t_0)$, for a given time point t_0 . To obtain the

$\hat{\mu}(\cdot)$ estimated function, we usually evaluate the estimations at hundreds of grid points.

In order to discuss the asymptotic properties of the estimation, we introduce the following assumptions.

¹ $k \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $k/n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Throughout this paper, M denotes a positive generic constant independent of all other variables.

$b(\cdot)$ and $\varphi(\cdot)$

(A1) The functions $b(\cdot)$ and $\varphi(\cdot)$ in model (1.1) are continuous.

$K(\cdot)$

(A2) The kernel function $K(\cdot)$ is a symmetric and Lipschitz continuous function with finite support $[-M, M]$

$h = h(n) \rightarrow 0$ as $nh \rightarrow 0$.

(A3) The bandwidth and $F(\cdot)$ $f(\cdot)$

Let $F(\cdot)$ and $f(\cdot)$ be the cumulative density function and probability density function of the error, $g(\cdot)$ $[a, b]$ respectively. $\varphi(\cdot)$ denotes the density function of time, usually a uniform distribution on time interval $[a, b]$. Define

$$\varphi_j = \int_{-M}^M u^j K(u) du, \quad \varphi_j = \int_{-M}^M u^j K^2(u) du, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots$$

and

$$(2.6) \quad R(q) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-M}^M u^2 K(u) du \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi_{kk'} = \int_{-M}^M u^k K(u) u^{k'} K(u) du$$

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$ck = F^{-1}(\varphi(k))$ and $\varphi_{kk'} = \varphi(k) \varphi(k') \quad \varphi(k) \varphi(k')$. where

$\hat{\varphi}(t_0)$

Theorem 2.1 Under assumptions (A1)-(A3), for a given time point t_0 , the local CQR estimation from (2.5) satisfies,

$$(2.7) \quad E[\hat{\varphi}(t_0)] - \varphi(t_0) = \frac{1}{2} \varphi''(t_0) h^2 + o(h^2)$$

$$(2.8) \quad \text{Var}[\hat{\varphi}(t_0)] = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi(t_0)}{nh} + o\left(\frac{1}{nh}\right)$$

and, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(2.9) \quad nh\{\hat{\varphi}(t_0) - \varphi(t_0) - \frac{1}{2} \varphi''(t_0) h^2\} \xrightarrow{L} N\left(0, \frac{\varphi(t_0)}{2nh} + o\left(\frac{1}{nh}\right)\right)$$

$\varphi(t_0) b(X_{t_0})$

$\xrightarrow{L}$ means convergence in distribution.

where

3. Asymptotic relative efficiency

We discuss the asymptotic relative efficiency (ARE) of the local linear CQR estimation with respect to the local linear least squares estimation (see Fan and Gijbels (1996)) by comparing their mean-squared errors (MSE). From

$\hat{\varphi}(t_0)$. That is, theorem 2.1, we obtain the MSE

$$(3.1) \quad \text{MSE}[\hat{\varphi}(t_0)] = \frac{1}{2} \varphi''(t_0)^2 h^4 + \frac{\varphi(t_0)}{2nh} + o(h^4 + \frac{1}{nh})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} nh g(t_0) b(X_{t_0}) \quad nh$$

We obtain the optimal bandwidth via minimizing the MSE (3.1), denoted by

$$h_{opt}(t_0) = \left[\frac{R''(t_0)}{15n^{1/5}} \right]^{1/5} \frac{1}{g(t_0) b(X_{t_0}) [R''(t_0)]^{1/2}}$$

$\hat{\eta}(t_0)$, denoted by $\hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0)$, is The MSE of the local linear least squares estimation of

$$(3.2) \quad MSE[\hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0)] = \frac{1}{2} [R''(t_0)]^2 h^4 \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{g(t_0) b(X_{t_0})} + o(h^4 \frac{1}{n})$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} nh g(t_0) b(X_{t_0}) \quad nh$$

and the optimal bandwidth is

$$h_{opt}^{LS}(t_0) = \left[\frac{R''(t_0)}{15n^{1/5}} \right]^{1/5} \frac{1}{g(t_0) b(X_{t_0}) [R''(t_0)]^{1/2}}$$

By straightforward calculations, we have, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$MSE[\hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0)] = [R''(q)]^{4/5} \frac{1}{n^{4/5}}$$

$$MSE[\hat{\eta}(t_0)]$$

Thus, the ARE of the local linear CQR estimation with respect to the local linear least squares estimation is

$$(3.3) \quad ARE(\hat{\eta}(t_0), \hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0)) = [R(q)]^{4/5}$$

(3.3) reveals that the ARE depends only on the error distribution. The ARE we obtained is equal to that in Kai el.(2010).

$ARE(\hat{\eta}(t_0), \hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0))$ for some commonly seen error distributions. Table 1 in Kai Table 3.1 displays el.(2010) can be seen as ARE for more error distributions.

Table 3.1: Comparisons of $ARE(\hat{\eta}(t_0), \hat{\eta}^{LS}(t_0))$ for the values of q

Error	$q = 1 \quad q = 5$	$q = 9 \quad q = 19$	$q = 99$
$N(0,1)$	0.6968 0.9339	0.9659 0.9858	0.9980
Laplace	1.7411 1.2199	1.1548 1.0960	1.0296
$0.9N(0,1)$ $0.1N(0,10^2)$	4.0505 4.9128	4.7069 3.5444	1.1379

CQR estimation performs well when the error conforms to the standard normal distribution too.

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 q
$$\square_{21} = \square_{12} \quad \square_{22} \square_{2kq,k'} \square_{1kk'}$$

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$$\square \square \square (X_{ti}) \square (X_{to}) \square \square$$
$$nh\,i\Box_1 \quad , \quad \text{and} \quad nh\,k\Box_1\,i\Box_1 \,^h.$$
$$k_1 \leq i_1 \leq k_1 i_1 k_1$$
$$\square \sqsubseteq \square^T S_n \square \square \quad (W_n^*)^T \square \square \quad o_p(1)$$
$$h\sqrt{nh}$$

1^1 q with respect to $\square$, where

$$\begin{aligned} B_{n,k} &= \square \square \square \square \square i \square n_1 \square \square \square \square Kh \square ti \square to \square \square i, 1 \square \square \square \square I \square \square ti \square k \square d \square i, 1 b \square X ti \square ti \square \\ zb \square X tt ii \square \square \square - I \square \square ti \square k \square di, 1 b \square X ti \square ti \square \square \square \square \square dz \square \square \square \square Sn \square \square \square \square SS_{nn,,1121} \\ SS_{nn,,1222} &\square \square \square \square, \\ o \square \square Z \square c \square \end{aligned}$$

$$\square \square \square \square \square X \square \square \square \square X \square \square \square \square \square \square \square Z \square c \square \square \square X \square \square \square \square \square \square \square, \square$$

$$\square^n b \square X i \square \square$$

$$S_{n,11} \square \square \square Kh \square ti \square to \square \square i \square \square S_{11} \text{ with } \square \square i \square_1 \square nh \square X t \square \square, S_{n,21} \square S_{nT,12},$$

$$S_{n,12} \square \square \square \square n Kh \square ti \square to \square ti \square to \square b \square X \square ti \square i \square \square \square \square f \square c_1 \square, f \square c_2 \square, \square, f \square c_q \square \square T$$

$$\square \square i \square_1 \square h \square nh \square X t \square \square,$$

$$\square q \square ck \square \square n \square \square Kh \square ti \square to \square (ti \square 2to)^2 \square b \square X \square ti \square i \square \square \square \\ S_{n,22} \square f$$

$$\text{and } \square \square h \square nh \square X t \square \square.$$

$$k \square_1 \square i \square_1 \square$$

The proof of lemma 4.1 is similar to lemma 2 and lemma 3 in Kai el.(2010).

Proof of theorem 2.1

Using the results of Parzen(1962), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1^n \square ti \square to \square j \\ \square Kh \square ti \square to \square j \square P g \square to \square u j nh i \square_1 \square h \end{aligned}$$

$\square^P$ means convergence in probability. Thus, where

$$\begin{aligned} g \square to \square b \square X to \square &= g \square to \square b \square X to \square S_{12} \square \\ \square \square S_{11} &\square \square S \\ S_n \square_P S \square \square &\square \\ \square \square X to \square \square \square X to \square \square S_{21} &\square. \end{aligned}$$

According to lemma 4.1, we have

$$L \square \square \square \square \square^1 g \square t^2 \square b \square X \square to \square \square^T S \square \square \square W_n^* \square^T \square \square o_p \square 1 \square$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \square \square X_t \square \\ 2. \end{aligned}$$

$$nh \rightarrow 0, \quad h \rightarrow 0, \quad k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] \rightarrow 0 \text{ in probability. } nh \rightarrow 0, \quad h \rightarrow 0, \quad k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Var}(w^{n*} - w^n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ in probability.}$$

Therefore, (1). Using Slutsky's theorem yields $w_n \rightarrow_L N(0, g(t_0))$.

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] \rightarrow 0 \text{ in probability. } nh \rightarrow 0, \quad h \rightarrow 0, \quad k \rightarrow 0$$

$$0$$

So the asymptotic bias of $\hat{\theta}(t_0)$ is:

$$\text{bias}(\hat{\theta}(t_0)) = \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] - \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] = 0$$

$$K_i = K_h(t_i - t_0), \quad eq = 1 - (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \text{ and } W_1^{*n} = (w_{11}^*, w_{12}^*, \dots, w_{1q}^*)^T.$$

$$\frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] \rightarrow 0 \text{ in probability. } nh \rightarrow 0, \quad h \rightarrow 0, \quad k \rightarrow 0$$

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Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{nh} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{K_h(t_i - t_0)} \max_k [F(c_k - t_0) - F(c_k)] \rightarrow 0 \text{ in probability. } nh \rightarrow 0, \quad h \rightarrow 0, \quad k \rightarrow 0$$

$$nh \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (X_t - X_{t_0})^2 dt = o_p(1).$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{bias}(\hat{\mu}(t_0)) = \frac{1}{2} \mu''(t_0) h^2 + o_p(h^2). \quad \text{and}$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 (X_t - X_{t_0})^2 dt = o_p(1).$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\mu}(t_0)] = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t_0}) dt = o_p(1).$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t_0}) dt = o_p(1). \quad nh \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t_0}) dt = o_p(1).$$

This completes the proof.

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