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RESEARCH **FIELDS**

Econometrics, financial econometrics, financial risk management

EMPLOYMENT

Analyst/Economist, Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada, Privacy and Responsible

Data Division, 2024-

Research and Policy Analyst, Privy Council Office, Chief Data Office, 2023-2024

Analyst, Statistics Canada, Agriculture Division, 2021-2023

Researcher (Internship), Annunziata Civic Hospital, Kidney and Transplant Research

Department, 2016

EDUCATION

Carleton University (Canada)

Ph.D., Economics, 2025

Thesis: Three essays on the econometrics of tail and systematic risk

Supervisor: Prof. Lynda Khalaf

2025 Carleton Senate Medal for Outstanding Academic Graduate Achievement

University of Calabria (Italy)

M.Sc., Finance and Insurance (with honours), 2019

Research Thesis: Bootstrap based tests on conditional risk measures

B.Sc., Statistics for Business and Insurance, 2016

Research Thesis: PAM algorithm: application in biomedical field

PUBLICATIONS

Co-movements, option pricing and risk management: an application to WTI versus Brent spread options (with D. De Giovanni, A. Leccadito). Annals of Operations Research, November

2022, 336, 1039-1061

JOB MARKET PAPER

Predictive Identification Robust Confidence Sets with Application to Tail Risk Measures (with L. Khalaf, A. Leccadito). Revise and Resubmit to the Journal of Financial Econometrics,

2025

Abstract: This paper proposes a novel method to construct confidence sets for predictive measures, that do not require identification and can be finite-sample exact. First, a joint robust confidence region for parameters that are hard to identify is constructed through the inversion of an out-of-sample specification adequacy test. This set is then projected to construct simultaneous confidence sets for any collection of measures over multiple paths. These sets provide a unified solution to confidence estimation and outof- sample validation, without compounding type I error. We focus on tail risk metrics including Value at Risk, Expected Shortfall, and Expectile-VaR, allowing for multiple thresholds. Simultaneity further addresses joint elicitability concerns. An illustrative analysis on GARCH models is conducted, through Monte Carlo simulations and an empirical evaluation of an exchange-traded fund that tracks the technology sector.

WORKING PAPERS

Tail risk in energy markets: jumps, volatility and systematic uncertainty (with L. Khalaf, A. Leccadito), 2025

Jump dynamics and systematic risk for low frequency forecasting: evidence from the energy markets, 2025

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Jump Clustering and Tail Risk for energy commodities (with L. Khalaf, A. Leccadito)

Recent Developments in Economics, Econometrics and Finance Conference, Rimini (2022)

Canadian Economics Association Conference, Ottawa (2022)

28th International Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Dallas (2022)

Predictive Identification Robust Confidence Sets with Application to Tail Risk Measures

CIREQ, Recent Developments in Econometrics, Montreal (2023)

NBER-NSF, Montreal (2023)

Canadian Econometric Study Group Meeting, Hamilton (2023)

(presented by L. Khalaf) New York Camp Econometrics XVIII, Lake Placid (2024)

European Conferences of the Econom[etr]ics Community, Amsterdam (2024)

17th Annual Society of Financial Econometrics Conference, Paris (2025)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Carleton University, Teaching Assistant for

Introduction to Microeconomics (undergraduate)

Intermediate Microeconomics I (undergraduate)

Intermediate Macroeconomics II (undergraduate)

Introductory Econometrics (undergraduate)

Applied Data Analysis (undergraduate)

Econometrics I (M.A)

Methods of Economics Research (M.A.)

Econometrics II (Ph.D.)

Advanced Methods for Econometrics (Ph.D.)

Carleton University, Instructor for

Programming in R Workshop (Ph.D. level), 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Research Assistant for Prof. Khalaf, Carleton University, 2019-2023

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Carleton University

Carleton Senate Medal for Outstanding Academic Graduate Achievement, November 2025

Carleton Departmental Scholarship, 2019-2024

Full Graduate Teaching Assistantship, 2019-2023

W. Irwin Gillespie Graduate Scholarship to the most outstanding Ph.D. student in the Economics program, 2022

University of Calabria

Research fellowship, Spring 2018

Erasmus-Traineeship fellowship, Winter 2019

Statistics Canada

Appreciation Team Award, June 2022

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Event coordinator, Economics Graduate Student Society, Carleton University, 2020-2021

Co-president of the Economics Graduate Student Society, Carleton University, 2021-

2022

Steering committee member of FPA Graduate Conference, Carleton University, October – March 2022

REFERENCES

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