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Abstract

In this paper, we use intraday futures market data on gold and oil to compute returns, realized volatility, volatility jumps, realized skewness and realized kurtosis. Using these daily metrics associated with two markets over the period of December 2, 1997 to May 26, 2017, we conduct linear, nonparametric, and time-varying (rolling) tests of causality, with the latter two approaches motivated due to the existence of nonlinearity and structural breaks. While, there is hardly any evidence of spillovers between the returns of these two markets, strong evidence of bidirectional causality is detected for realized volatility, which seems to be resulting from volatility jumps. Evidence of spillovers are also detected for the crash risk variables, i.e., realized skewness, and for realized kurtosis as well, with the effect on the latter being relatively stronger. Moreover, based on a moments-based test of causality, evidence of co-volatility is deduced, whereby we find that extreme positive and negative returns of gold and oil tend to drive the volatilities in these markets. Our results have important implications for not only investors, but also policymakers.

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1. Introduction

The severity of the recent global financial crisis highlighted the risks associated with portfolios containing only conventional financial market assets (Caballero et al., 2008; Balcilar et al., 2017; Lau et al., 2017; Muteba Mwamba et al., 2017; Bilgin et al., 2018). This in turn has triggered an interest in considering investment opportunities in the energy (specifically oil) market (Degiannakis and Filis, 2017; Olson et al., 2017, 2018; Bahloul et al., 2018; Cunado et al., 2019), since the recent financialization of the commodity (including oil) market (Tang and Xiong, 2012; Silvennoinen and Thorp, 2013; Bonato and Taschini, 2016; Gogolin and Kearney, 2016; Pradhananga, 2016; Bonato, 2019) has resulted in an increased participation of hedge funds, pension funds, and insurance companies in the market, with investment in oil now being considered as a profitable alternative instrument in the portfolio decisions of financial institutions (Akram, 2009; Fattouh et al., 2013; Büyükşahin and Robe, 2014; Antonakakis et al., 2018).

At the same time, with gold being the most recognized "safe haven" (Baur and Lucey, 2010; Baur and McDermott, 2010; Reboredo, 2013a; Agyei-Ampomah et al., 2014; Gürgün and Ünalmis, 2014; Beckmann et al., 2015, 2019; Balcilar et al., 2016; Bilgin et al., 2018; Bouoiyour et al., 2018), recent studies have analyzed returns and volatility spillovers across the gold and oil markets (Ewing and Malik, 2013; Mensi et al., 2013; Reboredo, 2013b; Bampinas

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and Panagiotidis, 2015; Yaya et al., 2016; Coronado et al., 2018; Balcilar et al., 2019; Asasi et al., forthcoming; Tiwari et al., forthcoming). The emphasis on returns and volatility connectedness between oil and gold is understandably due to the fact that such causal relationships is of paramount importance to international investors and portfolio managers in devising optimal portfolio and dynamic hedging strategies (Chang et al., 2018a).

In this regard, it is also important to point out that financial market participants care not only about the nature of volatility, but also its level, with traders making the distinction between "good" and "bad" volatility (Giot et al., 2010; Caporin et al., 2016). Good volatility is directional, persistent, and relatively easy to predict, while bad volatility is jumpy and comparatively difficult to foresee. Therefore, good volatility is generally associated with the continuous and persistent part of volatility, while bad volatility captures the discontinuous and jump component of volatility, with jumps shown to account for a significant percentage of variation in total return volatility of assets in general (Andersen et al., 2007; Dunham and Friesen, 2007; Bollerslev et al., 2009; Corsi et al., 2010), and also for gold and oil volatility (Sévi (2014), Prokopczuk et al., (2015), Balcilar et al., (2017), Demirer et al., (2019), Gkillas et al., (forthcoming)). Given this, studies like Amaya et al., (2015), and Nolte and Xu (2015) point out that investment strategies using jump risks, as well as skewness and kurtosis are shown to reveal additional information and deliver incremental economic benefits over strategies using total volatility alone. Note that, skewness account for the asymmetry in the returns process, while kurtosis captures the extremes of the same, with the former also considered as capturing crash-risks in asset markets (Kräussl et al., 2016; Greenwood-Nimmo et al., 2016; Ben Nasr et al., 2019).

In light of the above-mentioned importance of higher-moments of assets in improving portfolio performances, we, for the first time, analyze the causal relationship between not only returns and overall variance of gold and oil markets, but also volatility jumps, skewness and kurtosis. With the availability of high-frequency, i.e., intraday data, research on modelling higher moments has taken new directions, and hence, we use 5-minute futures market data on gold and oil returns, which are then used to compute realized volatility, jumps, realized skewness and kurtosis, over the daily period of December 2, 1997 to May 26, 2017. We then analyze the causal relationship between these metrics for gold and oil markets, using linear, nonparametric and time-varying approaches, with the latter two methods providing robust inferences in the presence of nonlinearity and structural breaks between the variables of concern, which we show to exist based on statistical tests. In addition, we also rely on a moments-based test of causality, which allows us to test for spillovers of returns, variances and quantiles.

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows: Section 2 outlines the various methodologies used, while Section 3 presents the intraday data and the details associated with the calculation of realized volatility, jumps, realized skewness and kurtosis. Then, Section 4 discusses the results, with Section 5 providing concluding remarks and implications of our results.

2. Methodologies

We carried out four forms of Granger causality analysis to fully reveal the causal relationships between gold and oil with various considerations. To be specific, different forms of casualty analysis include: *i*) linear causality analysis, which is the basic and standard Granger causality analysis; *ii*) nonlinear causality analysis developed by Diks and Panchenko (2006); *iii*) rolling-window causality analysis with bootstrapped *p*-values, developed by Hill (2007); *iv*) causality in moments developed by Chen (2016). More importantly, our causality analysis is not only at

the first moment but also at higher moments, including volatility, jump, skewness, kurtosis, and quantiles. For volatility, skewness, and kurtosis, we are using the realized versions calculated by the high-frequency intraday data.

2.1. Linear Causality Test

The linear causality analysis serves as the benchmark of this study. Given two scalar stationary time series $\{X_t, Y_t,\ t \geq 1\}$, the linear causality analysis can be easily tested in the framework of bivariate VAR with p lags.

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= \alpha_1 + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \beta_{1i} Y_{t-i} + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \gamma_{1i} X_{t-i} + \varepsilon_{1t} \\ X_t &= \alpha_2 + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \beta_{2i} Y_{t-i} + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \gamma_{2i} X_{t-i} + \varepsilon_{2t} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

With all other information as the same, Y_t does not Granger cause X_t if the lags of Y_t does not bring additional contribution to the forecasting performance of X_t, (Granger, 1969). Thus, the null hypothesis that Y_t does not Granger cause X_t, denoted as $Y_t \nrightarrow X_t$, can be formulated by testing whether all coefficients of lags of Y_t are jointly equal to zero in the equation that X_t is the dependent variable. The direct way to perform the Granger causality in such a setting is to use a standard F-test on the following restrictions

$$\beta_{21} = \beta_{22} = \cdots = \beta_{2p} \tag{2}$$

If the F-test is rejected, then there is evidence to support that that Y_t Granger cause X_t. The optimal lag length p of VAR is typically selected by information criteria.

2.2. Nonlinear Causality Test

The linear causality analysis based on Equation (1) is straightforward, but it sometimes oversimplifies the actual relationship between economic variables. A vast number of empirical studies found evidence that economic relationships could be nonlinear, especially involving high-frequency data (Kumar, 2017), as we show below based on the Brock et al., (1996, BDS) test. Hiemstra and Jones (1994) proposed a nonparametric test for both linear and nonlinear Granger causality by using conditional independence. However, the size of their test (rejection rate under the null hypothesis) is argued to be inflated and increases with the sample size (Diks and Panchenko, 2005). Diks and Panchenko (2006) further developed a revised nonparametric test for nonlinear Granger causality with reasonable control on the size of the test.

We briefly summarize the test statistics of Diks and Panchenko (2006) and its asymptotic properties. Under the null hypothesis of Granger non-causality

$$H_0\text{: } X_t \text{ does not Granger cause } Y_t$$

Denote $Z_t = Y_{t+1}$ and $W_t = (X_t, Y_t, Z_t)$. The distribution of W_t is invariant under H_0 and thus it is convenient to drop the time subscripts and make the notation more compact as $W = (X, Y, Z)$. Based on the idea of conditional independence under the null, the joint probability density function $f_{X,Y,Z}(x, y, z)$ and its marginals must follow

$$\frac{f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}\frac{f_{Y,Z}(y,z)}{f_Y(y)} \tag{3}$$

where (x, y, z) are the fixed values of (X, Y, Z). DP firstly show that equation (3) implies

$$q_g \equiv \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z)}{f_Y(y)} - \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}\frac{f_{Y,Z}(y,z)}{f_Y(y)}\right) g(X,Y,Z)\right] = 0 \tag{4}$$

By choosing a symmetric weighting function $g(X, Y, Z) = f_Y^2(y)$, Equation (4) is simplified as

$$q = \mathbb{E}\left[f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z)f_Y(y) - f_{X,Y}(x,y)f_{Y,Z}(y,z)\right] = 0 \tag{5}$$

At this point, it is necessary to have local density estimators of a d_w-variate random vector W at W_i. Denote the local density estimators as

$$\hat{f}_W(W_i) = \frac{(2\varepsilon)^{-d_W}}{n-1}\sum_{j,j\neq i} \mathbb{I}(\|W_i - W_j\| < \varepsilon) \tag{6}$$

where $\mathbb{I}(\cdot)$ is the indicator function and ε is the bandwidth. Diks and Panchenko (2006) further propose an estimator T_n for q.

$$T_n(\varepsilon) = \frac{n-1}{n(n-2)}\sum_i \left(\hat{f}_{X,Y,Z}(X_i,Y_i,Z_i)\hat{f}_Y(Y_i) - \hat{f}_{X,Y}(X_i,Y_i)\hat{f}_{Y,Z}(Y_i,Z_i)\right) \tag{7}$$

With the choice of the bandwidth depending on the sample size, $\varepsilon_n = Cn^{-\beta}$, $C > 0$ and $\beta \in (1/4, 1/3)$, Diks and Panchenko (2006) derives the asympototics for $T_n(\varepsilon_n)$ as

$$\sqrt{n}\frac{(T_n(\varepsilon_n) - q)}{S_n} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \tag{8}$$

where S_n is the estimated standard error of $T_n(\varepsilon_n)$. For the optimal choice of the bandwidth ε_n, an interested reader can refer to the discussion in Diks and Panchenko (2006).

2.3. Rolling-Window Causality Test

Based on Wald tests for the null hypothesis of joint zero parameter restrictions, Hill (2007) developed a sequential multiple-horizon non-causality test procedure for trivariate VAR processes (with one auxiliary variable). During a long sample periods, the economic variables are subject to structural breaks, as we show to exist based on tests of structural breaks developed by Bai and Perron (2003) and Horvath et al., (2017), which may affect the causal relationships (Balcilar, et al., 2010). To reveal the evolution in the long-run causality, Hill (2007) applied the test procedure based on a rolling-window. But the rolling-window scheme suffers from one problem in that the standard Wald tests in multivariate models tend to over-reject the null hypothesis. Thus, Hill (2007) applied a parametric bootstrap method to obtain the p-values of the test for small samples size in each window, which can provide reasonable approximations to the chosen significance levels.

Given a trivariate VAR of order p with zero constants

$$V_t = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \pi_i V_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t \tag{9}$$

where $V_t = (X_t, Y_t, U_t)'$, $\mathrm{U_t}$ is the auxiliary variable, π_i is the coefficients matrix with dimension 3×3. Then it is easy to use recursion to show an h-step-ahead linear forecast of V_{t+h}, give the information set $I_V(t)$.

$$\hat{V}_{t+h}|I_V(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \pi_i \hat{V}_{t+h-i}|I_V(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \pi_i^{(h)} \hat{V}_{t+1-i} \tag{10}$$

where the h-step-ahead coefficients matrix $\left\{\pi_i^{(h)}\right\}_{i=1}^{p}$ satisfying the nonlinear recursion

$$\pi_1^{(0)} = I_m, \qquad \pi_j^{(1)} = \pi_j, \qquad \pi_j^{(h)} = \pi_{j+1}^{(h-1)} + \pi_1^{(h-1)} \pi_j \tag{11}$$

Then coefficients matrix $\pi_i^{(h)}$ can be expressed as

$$\pi_j^{(h)} = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{XX,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{XY,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{XZ,j}^{(h)} \\ \pi_{YX,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{YY,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{YZ,j}^{(h)} \\ \pi_{ZX,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{ZY,j}^{(h)} & \pi_{ZZ,j}^{(h)} \end{bmatrix} \tag{12}$$

Given Equation (12), Dufour and Renault (1998) shows how to use Wald statistics to formulate the noncausality test.

$$Y_t \overset{h}{\nrightarrow} X_t | I_{XU} \text{ if and only } \pi_{XY,j}^{(h)} = 0, \forall j = 1,2, \dots p$$

In our study, we use a simplified version of Hill's (2007) test procedure. To be specific, we consider the bivariate case (i.e. without the auxiliary variable) at horizon one. According to Theorem 2.1 in Hill (2007), causality exists at any horizon if and only if it exists at horizon one.

2.4. Causality in Moments Test

Chen (2016) developed a generalized parametric approach to test Granger causality in various moments and establish a class of cross-correlation tests for Granger causality in mean, variance, quantile, and cross-correlation for a pair of returns series $\{y_{it}\}, i = 1,2$ and $t = 1, \dots, T$. Chen's (2016) test is applicable for the full-sample and out-of-sample contexts. Here we briefly summarize the test in the full-sample context.

Denote $\mathfrak{Y}_{i,t-1}$ as the information set generated by the $y_{i,t-k}$ for all $k > 0$ and $\mathfrak{Y}_{t-1} \equiv (\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}, \mathfrak{Y}_{2,t-1})$. The null hypothesis that y_{2t} does not Granger cause y_{1t} in various moments can be formulated as

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi(y_{1t})|\mathfrak{Y}_{t-1}) = \mathbb{E}\left(\phi(y_{1t})\middle|\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}\right) \tag{13}$$

Some special cases[1] with the specification for the moment function $\phi(\cdot)$ are as follows.

- No causality in mean:

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi_1(y_{1t})|\mathfrak{Y}_{t-1}) = \mathbb{E}\left(\phi_1(y_{1t})\middle|\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}\right), \text{ where } \phi_1(y_{1t}) \equiv y_{1t} \tag{14}$$

- No causality in variance:

[1] The cross-correlation tests can be defined in a similar way, such as no causality from quantiles to mean/variance and vice versa.

$$\mathbb{E}(\phi_2(y_{1t})|\mathfrak{Y}_{t-1}) = \mathbb{E}\big(\phi_2(y_{1t})\big|\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}\big), \text{ where } \phi_2(y_{1t}) \equiv y_{1t}^2 \tag{15}$$

- No causality in quantiles:

$$\mathbb{E}\big(\phi_q(y_{1t})\big|\mathfrak{Y}_{t-1}\big) = \mathbb{E}\big(\phi_q(y_{1t})\big|\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}\big),$$

$$\text{where } \phi_q(y_{1t}) \equiv \mathbb{I}\big(Q_{it}(\tau_1) < y_{1t} \leq Q_{it}(\tau_2)\big) \tag{16}$$

and $Q_{it}(\tau)$ is the τ-quantile of $F_i\big(\cdot\,\big|\mathfrak{Y}_{1,t-1}\big)$ with $\tau \in [0,1]$

The test is based on the standardized residuals $\{\varepsilon_{it}\}, i = 1,2$ from a GARCH-type model with parameter θ for the raw return. In a similar way, define the moment functions $\varphi(\cdot)$ for the standardized residuals, ε_{it}.

$$\varphi_{it}^{(1)} \equiv \varepsilon_{it}$$

$$\varphi_{it}^{(2)} \equiv \varepsilon_{it}^2 - 1 \tag{17}$$

$$\varphi_{it}^{(q)} \equiv \mathbb{I}\big(Q_{\varepsilon,it}(\tau_1|\beta_i) < \varepsilon_{it} \leq Q_{\varepsilon,it}(\tau_2|\beta_i) - (\tau_2 - \tau_1)\big)$$

Define $\varphi_{it} \equiv \varphi_{it}(\theta_i)$ as $\varphi_{it}^{(1)}, \varphi_{it}^{(2)}, \varphi_{it}^{(q)}$ or any other zero-mean transformation of ε_{it}, where θ_i is parameter vector (containing β_i) of the conditional model for $y_{it}|\mathfrak{Y}_{i,t-1}$. In order to estimate the sample cross-correlation, it is necessary to introduce some more notations, $\varphi_{i,ot} \equiv \varphi(\theta_{io})$, $\varphi_{i,ot}^c \equiv \varphi_{i,ot} - \mathbb{E}[\varphi(\theta_{io})]$, $\sigma_i^2 \equiv \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\varphi_{i,ot}^c\right)^2\right]$, $\hat{\varphi}_{it} \equiv \varphi_{it}(\hat{\theta}_{it})$, $\bar{\varphi}_i \equiv T^{-1}\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\varphi}_{it}$, $\hat{\varphi}_{it}^c \equiv \hat{\varphi}_{it} - \bar{\varphi}_i$ and $\bar{\sigma}_i^2 \equiv T^{-1}\sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{\varphi}_{it}^c)^2$. Then the generalized cross-correlation at lag k is defined as $\rho_k \equiv corr\big(\varphi_{1,ot}, \varphi_{2,ot-k}\big)$ and its finite sample version can be estimated by

$$\hat{\rho}_k \equiv \frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\left(\frac{\hat{\varphi}_{1t}^c}{\bar{\sigma}_1}\right)\left(\frac{\hat{\varphi}_{2,t-k}^c}{\bar{\sigma}_2}\right) \tag{18}$$

Denote $\hat{\rho} \equiv (\hat{\rho}_1, \hat{\rho}_2, \dots, \hat{\rho}_n)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{V}} \equiv (\bar{\sigma}_1\bar{\sigma}_2) \times I_n$, where n is a finite integer that $n \ll T$. Finally, the null hypothesis is tested by the proposed G_ρ statistics with its asymptotic distribution.

$$G_\rho \equiv T(\mathcal{S}\hat{\rho})^\top\big(\mathcal{S}\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{-1}\hat{\Omega}\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{-1}\mathcal{S}^\top\big)^{-1}(\mathcal{S}\hat{\rho}) \xrightarrow{d} \chi^2(q) \tag{19}$$

where $\mathcal{S}$ is a weighting matrix with dimension $q \times n$ and $\hat{\Omega}$ is the variance covariance matrix.

3. Data and Higher-Moment Statistics

3.1. The Dataset

We use intraday data on gold and West Texas Intermediate (WTI) oil futures that are traded at NYMEX over a 24 hour trading day (pit and electronic), to construct daily measures of returns (*r*), standard realized volatility (*RV*), volatility jumps (*RJ*), and realized skewness (*RSK*) and realized kurtosis (*RKU*). The futures price data, in continuous format, are obtained from www.disktrading.com and www.kibot.com. Close to expiration of a contract, the position is rolled over to the next available contract, provided that activity has increased. Daily returns are computed as the end of day (New York time) price difference (close to close). In the case of

intraday returns, 5-minute prices are obtained via last-tick interpolation, and 5-minute returns are then computed by taking the log-differences of these prices, which in turn are used to compute the realized moments. Our data covers the period of December 2, 1997 to May 26, 2017, i.e., giving us a total of 5762 observations. Figure A1 in the Appendix plots the various metrics for gold and oil, while Table A1 summarizes the basic statistics for *r*, *RV*, *RJ*, *RSK* and *RKU* of both gold and oil markets. As can be seen from Table A1, both gold and oil are negatively skewed and have excess kurtosis, which results in non-normal distributions as indicated by the overwhelming rejection of the null of normality under the Jarque-Bera test. Oil is also found to be more volatile than gold, though the mean returns are similar across the two markets. Further, as seen from Figure A1, *RV*, *RJ*, *RSK* and *RKU* are non-constant, with their magnitudes evolving over time, and hence, provides an initial motivation to analyze the causal relationship between these metrics across the gold and oil markets.

An advantage of using intraday data is that we are also able to compute measures of higher moments, like realized volatility, volatility jumps, realized skewness and realized kurtosis. Below, we provide the details for the realized measures considered in the analysis.

3.2. Realized Volatility Estimator

The first measure we consider is the classical estimator of realized volatility, i.e. the sum of squared intraday returns (Andersen and Bollerslev, 1998), expressed as

$$RV_t = \sum_{i=1}^{M} r_{t,i}^2 \tag{20}$$

where $r_{t,i}$ is the intraday $M \times 1$ return vector and $i = 1, \dots, M$ the number of intraday returns.

3.3. Volatility Jump Estimator

A number of studies including Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2004), Huang and Tauchen (2005), Andersen *et al*. (2007) have documented the presence of volatility jumps in higher frequency time series. Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2004) show that realized volatility converges into permanent and discontinuous (jump) components as

$$\lim_{M\to\infty} RV_t = \int_{t-1}^{t} \sigma^2(s)ds + \sum_{j=1}^{N_t} k_{t,j,}^2 \tag{21}$$

where N_t is the number of jumps within day t and $k_{t,j}$ is the jump size. This specification suggests that RV_t is a consistent estimator of the integrated variance $\int_{t-1}^{t} \sigma^2(s)ds$ plus the jump contribution. The asymptotic results of Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2004, 2006) further show that

$$\lim_{M\to\infty} BV_t = \int_{t-1}^{t} \sigma^2(s)ds \tag{22}$$

where BV_t is the realized bipolar variation defined as

$$BV_t = \mu_1^{-1}\left(\frac{N}{M-1}\right)\sum_{i=2}^{M}|r_{t,i-1}||r_{i,t}| = \frac{\pi}{2}\sum_{i=2}^{M}|r_{t,i-1}||r_{i,t}| \tag{23}$$

and

$$\mu_a = E(|Z|^a), Z\sim N(0,1), a > 0. \tag{24}$$

Having defined the continuous component of realized volatility, a consistent estimator of the pure jump contribution can then be expressed as

$$J_t = RV_t - BV_t \tag{25}$$

In order to test the significance of the jumps, we adopt the following formal test estimator proposed by Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2006)

$$JT_t = \frac{RV_t - BV_t}{(v_{bb} - v_{qq})\frac{1}{N}QP_t} \tag{26}$$

where QP_t is the Tri-Power Quarticity defined as

$$TP_t = M_{\mu_{4/3}^{-3}}\left(\frac{M}{M-1}\right)\sum_{i=3}^{M}|r_{t,i-2}|^{4/3}\,|r_{t,i}|^{4/3} \tag{27}$$

which converges to

$$TP_t \to \int_{t-1}^{t} \sigma^4(s)ds \tag{28}$$

even in the presence of jumps. $v_{bb} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 + \pi - 3$ and $v_{qq} = 2$. Note that for each t, $JT_t \sim N(0,1)$ as $M \to \infty$.
As can be seen in Equation (25), the jump contribution to RV_t is either positive or null. Therefore, in order to avoid having negative empirical contributions, we follow Zhou and Zhu (2012) and re-define the jump measure as

$$RJ_t = \max(RV_t - BV_t; 0) \tag{29}$$

3.4. Realized Skewness and Realized Kurtosis

We compute realized skewness, *RSK*, and realized kurtosis, *RKU*, as measures of the higher-moments of the daily returns distribution computed from intra-day returns. Like Amaya et al. (2015), we consider *RSK* as a measure of the asymmetry of the daily returns distribution and *RKU* as a measure that accounts for extremes. Given the intraday returns and realized volatility realized skewness (*RSK*) on day *t* as

$$RSK_t = \frac{\sqrt{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}(r_{i,t})^3}{RV_t^{3/2}} \tag{30}$$

While, realized kurtosis (*RKU*) on day *t* is given by

$$RKU_t = \frac{N\sum_{i=1}^{N}(r_{i,t})^4}{RV_t^2} \tag{31}$$

The scaling of *RSK* and *RKU* by $(N)^{1/2}$ and N respectively, makes sure that their magnitudes correspond to daily skewness and kurtosis.

4. Empirical Results

In this section, we present the results for three causality tests (linear, Diks and Panchenko (2006), and Hill (2007)) between the returns of gold and oil, not only in the mean but also in the realized higher moments, including volatility, skewness, and kurtosis. In addition, the Chen (2016) test is employed to test the causality between gold and oil returns in mean, variance, quantiles, and their cross- correlation.

4.1. Linear Causality Analysis

After choosing the optimal lag length for VAR by Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC),[2] we perform the linear causality analysis on the returns of gold and oil and their realized higher moments. The results are shown in [INSERT **TABLE 1 HERE]**

. For the returns (*r*), there is no causality between gold and oil at 5% significance level. But there is weak evidence at 10% for the causality from gold to oil. For *RV*, *RJ*, and *RKU*, we can observe the bi-directional causality between gold and oil at the 5% significance level, but not for *RSK* in any direction even at the 10% level.

[INSERT TABLE 1 HERE]

4.2. Nonlinear Causality Analysis

To motivate the use of a nonlinear causality approach, we conducted the BDS test on the residuals of the VAR(*p*) model used for the linear test of causality, with the results reported in Table A2 in the Appendix of the paper. As can be seen, the null of *i.i.d.* residuals is

[2] The maximum lag length of the VAR is set to be 15 in the standard linear causality test.

overwhelmingly rejected in all cases, and hence, suggests the existence of uncaptured nonlinearity between returns and higher moments of the gold and oil markets. This motivates the use of the nonparametric causality test of Diks and Panchenko (2006), to which we turn next.

Before carrying out the Diks and Panchenko (2006) test, it is important to select the value of bandwidth. We follow the optimal bandwidth choice in terms of the smallest mean squared error detailed in Diks and Panchenko (2006), which is derived on the basis of the ARCH process. For our dataset, the estimated ARCH parameter for return on gold is 0.2213, giving the optimal bandwidth 0.8633; and the estimated ARCH parameter for return on oil is 0.2142, giving the optimal bandwidth 0.8815. Therefore, we choose 0.87 which is close to the optimal bandwidth of returns of both gold and oil.

[INSERT **TABLE 2 HERE]**

shows the p-values of T_n test developed by Diks and Panchenko (2006) in both directions, for lags ranging from 1 to 10. For the returns, we can find evidence of causality from gold to oil at lags 4 and 5, but not *verse visa*. In terms of the *RV*, we cannot find evidence of causality in most lags. The only evidence of causality can be found from oil to gold at lag 5. Regarding *RJ*, *RSK* and *RKU*, we can find strong evidence of bidirectional causality between gold and oil for all lags. In summary, the nonlinear causality analysis is consistent with the linear causality analysis barring the lack of evidence of causality for *RV* and the opposite (i.e., strong evidence of spillover) for *RSK*.

[INSERT TABLE 2 HERE]

4.3. Rolling-Window Causality Analysis

To motivate the rolling-window causality test, we conducted tests of multiple structural breaks on the individual equations of the VAR(p) model used for the linear Granger causality test. In this regard, we applied the multiple structural break test of Bai and Perron (2003), and the change-point test of Horvath et al. (2017). The results have been reported in Tables A3 and A3 in the Appendix respectively, and in general shows regimes changes for higher moments rather than returns (and realized volatility under the change point test). Not surprisingly, the break dates are concentrated around the global financial crisis, the European sovereign debt crisis, and the decline in oil prices of 2014. The structural breaks, as well as nonlinearity, warrants the need for a time-varying causality approach for our variables of concern.

Following Hill (2007), we perform a rolling-window study on the causality between the various metrics of gold and oil, based on the framework of a bivariate VAR at horizon one. The rolling window length is set to be 522 days (close to 2 years of daily data), giving total number of widows equal to 5241. The optimal lag length of VAR is selected by BIC.[3] The causality analysis is carried out for each rolling-window, and we generated both parametric and bootstrapped p-values.[4] We collect the number of rejections at 5% significance level, and then calculate the rejection rate, which is basically the number of rejections divided by the total number of windows, shown in Table 3. It is worthwhile to clarify that the numbers in Table 3 are the rejection rates, rather than p-values, and thus a larger number means rejecting the non-

[3] The maximum lag length of the VAR lag length is also set to be 15 in the Hill (2007) test.
[4] The bootstrap repetition is set to be equal to 500.

causality more frequently, which implies that the causality occurs in a large percentage of total number of windows.

The parametric and the bootstrap methods produce similar rejection rates, though the bootstrap *p*-values should have better approximation to the significance level under the null. We can hardly find casualty in both directions for the returns. Regarding *RV*, we find casualty in both direction among most of the rolling windows. This result is consistent with the linear causality analysis, but does not generally agree with the nonlinear test. In terms of *RJ*, we can find roughly 25% of the rolling windows with causality in both directions. When we focus on *RSK*, we find very rare causality in the rolling windows from gold to oil, and 9% of the rolling windows with causality in the opposite direction. This result is understandable as the crash-risk measured by RSK, is likely to be especially low for gold, given its well-established role as a safe haven. We can obverse causality in about 6% of rolling windows for the *RKU* in the direction from gold to oil, but 12% in the opposite direction. In summary, although nonlinear causality analysis suggests causality in *RJ*, *RSK*, and *RKU*, the rolling window causality analyses reveal that the causality only occurs in certain specific periods to drive the overall results under the nonlinear tests.

[INSERT TABLE 3 HERE]

In order to reveal the exact timing where the causality occurs, we plot the bootstrapped *p*-values of the rolling window causality test in Figures 1 to 5. Firstly, we can observe that the *p*-values of causality of returns in both directions are mostly above 5%, with some weak evidence observed in both directions in an intermittent fashion. Secondly, the causality in *RV* is significant in the majority of the sample periods, but it is insignificant before 2002, during 2007 and 2012, and after 2015. Thirdly, the causality in *RJ* is mainly significant in 2006 and 2007. Fourthly, the causality in *RSK* from oil to gold is significant before 2001, while the opposite direction is typically insignificant. Lastly, the causality in *RKU* is significant only occasionally in the sample period around 2002, 2005 and 2012, primarily from gold to oil, and the other way round during the end of the sample period. In sum then, consistent with the linear causality, the evidence of spillover across the volatilities of the two markets are quite strong especially during periods of turmoil,[5] with jumps (primarily associated with negative returns (bad) volatility) playing an important role in this process, as observed for the linear and nonlinear tests of causality earlier.[6] Based on the similar rejection rates of non-causality when compared within the various metrics of gold and oil tends to suggest that these two markets are equally likely to affect each other in various dimensions, though the period during which this happens is likely to differ.

[INSERT FIGURES 1 TO 5 HERE]

4.4. Causality-in-Moments Analysis

[5] The importance of volatility spillovers is in line with the indirect suggestion made by Bampinas and Panagiotidis (2015) in terms of causality of volatility. These authors showed that when the returns are filtered by a GARCH-BEKK (1,1) model, then causality between gold and oil returns no longer exists under the Diks and Panchenko (2006) framework, implying that nonlinear causality is due to volatility effects.

[6] The relatively stronger rejection rates under realized bad volatility compared to realized good volatility (particularly from gold to oil), results of which are available upon request from the authors, confirmed our conclusions associated with causality in *RJ*.

Given the possibility of Granger causality in the cross moments (and quantiles), we expand our analysis by using the return series to perform the casualty in mean, variance, quantiles and more importantly, their cross-correlation, as suggested by Chen (2016).

Before applying the test, it is important to specify the conditional model for $y_{it}|\mathfrak{Y}_{i,t-1}$. Following Chen (2016), we use the AR(1)-GARCH(1,1) as the basic model for the first two moments and AR(1)-GARCH(1,1)-APD, developed by Komunjer (2007), as the model for the quantiles and higher moments. The lags in the generalized cross-correlation, n, is set to be up to 1, 5, and 10. We consider the causality in five quantiles and denote them as $q1$ (0-0.2); $q2$ (0.2-0.4); $q3$ (0.4-0.6); $q4$ (0.6-0.8); and $q5$ (0.8-1).

[INSERT **TABLE 4 HERE]**

shows the p-values of the causality test in mean, variance, quantiles and their cross-correlation, as developed by Chen (2016). The results of causality in mean is consistent with the three previous tests, i.e. there is no causality. Note, our results of lack in causality across the returns of the two markets is quite different from that of the recent work of Bampinas and Panagiotidis (2015), who, using linear, nonparametric and rolling-window causality tests like we use above, found that oil returns consistently caused gold returns, but the reverse is only true during episodes of crisis. But, it must be realized that, unlike these authors, we are focussing on futures prices, rather than spot prices, which makes our paper more relevant for practical applications in the context of hedging and/or safe-haven analyses, given the low transaction costs associated with futures trading. Furthermore, one can expect price discovery to take place primarily in the futures market as these price respond to new information faster than the spot price due to lower transaction costs and ease of short selling associated with the futures contracts (Shrestha, 2014). This in turn, could be resulting in no impact on returns, but effects on higher moments through faster trading.

However, we find cross-correlation of causality from the first moment of gold to the second moment and some higher quantiles of oil (*q3*, *q4*, and *q5*) and, in the opposite direction, from the first moment of oil to the second moment of gold. The causality in variance can only be found from gold to oil, but there is no cross-correlation with the first moment and any quantiles. Interestingly, there is a strong cross-correlation of causality in *q1* and the second moment in both directions. This is expected and can be easily explained by the fact that *q1* is the left tail of returns associated with negative shocks to the markets, and therefore has a significant impact on the second moment. Following the same logic, we also find the cross-correlation of causality in *q5* and the second moment.[7]

Overall, these results are in line with the idea of (partial) co-volatility spillovers, since the returns shock from financial asset *k* affects the co-volatility between two financial assets, *i* and *j*, one of which can be asset *k* (Chang et al., 2018b).

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5. Concluding Remarks

In this paper, we analyze the causal relationship between not only returns and overall variance of gold and oil markets, but also volatility jumps, skewness and kurtosis. In this regard, we use

[7] In Table A5 in the Appendix of the paper, we report the results from the out-of-sample version of Chen's (2016) test, with a spilt of 70% of the data as in-sample and the remaining 30% as the out-of-sample, as in the original paper. As can be seen from Table A5, our results are qualitatively similar, with the main conclusion still holding over the out-of-sample period of January 2, 2012 to May 26, 2017.

5-minute futures market data on gold and oil returns, which are then used to compute realized volatility, jumps, realized skewness and kurtosis, over the daily period of December 2, 1997 to May 26, 2017. We then analyze the causal relationships between these metrics for gold and oil markets, using linear, nonparametric and time-varying approaches, with the latter two methods providing robust inferences in the presence of nonlinearity and structural breaks, which we show to exist between the variables of concern. In addition, we also use a moments-based test of causality, which allows us to test for spillovers of returns, variances and quantiles.

We find that, while there is hardly any evidence of spillovers between the returns of these two markets, strong evidence of bidirectional causality is detected for realized volatility, which seems to be resulting from volatility jumps. Evidence of spillovers is also detected for the realized skewness and realized kurtosis as well, with the effect in terms of the latter being relatively stronger, suggesting spillovers during extreme market situations. Finally, based on the moments-based test of causality, evidence of co-volatility is obtained, which implied that extreme positive and negative returns of gold and oil tend to drive the volatilities in these markets.

Our results are likely to have important implications for economic agents. In this regard, as highlighted in the introduction, recent studies have indicated that that using information on volatility jumps, realized skewness and realized kurtosis, investors can improve portfolio performance since these realized measures contain incremental information over simple realized variances. Naturally, our results have important implications for portfolio managers aiming to design optimal portfolios involving these two important commodities, since they will now have to take account of not only spillovers associated with realized volatility, but also, with those resulting between jumps (or bad volatility), and realized skewness and realized kurtosis capturing crash and extreme risks respectively. In addition, given that there is spillover of realized skewness, implies that the possibility of a bubble in one of these two major commodity markets, particularly from the oil market, is likely to spread to the other market as well, and with commodity markets historically considered as leading indicators of the macroeconomy (Stock and Watson, 2003; Plakandaras et al., 2017; Pierdzioch and Gupta, 2019), recessionary impacts could be deep and persistent when these bubbles burst. In light of this, policymakers would need to vigilant and design appropriate counteractive policies ahead of time based on this high-frequency information.

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Table 1. Results of Linear Granger Causality

	Causality	***F*-Statistic**	***p*-value**	**Lags**
r	**gold ↛ oil**	3.50	6.15%	1
	oil ↛ gold	0.15	69.99%	
RV	**gold ↛ oil**	6.36	***0.00%***	13
	oil ↛ gold	10.41	***0.00%***	
RJ	**gold ↛ oil**	6.25	***0.00%***	6
	oil ↛ gold	4.31	***0.02%***	
RSK	**gold ↛ oil**	0.21	64.49%	1

	oil ↛ gold	0.40	52.80%	
RKU	**gold ↛ oil**	5.61	***0.00%***	6
	oil ↛ gold	7.76	***0.00%***	

Note: *r*: returns; *RV*: realized volatility; *RJ*: jumps; *RSK*: realized skewness, and; *RKU*: realized kurtosis.

Table 2. *p*-Values of Nonlinear Causality Test

			Panel A: gold ↛ oil		
Lag	***r***	***RV***	***RJ***	***RSK***	***RKU***
1	38.99%	77.58%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.27%***
2	47.43%	76.99%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.02%***
3	17.76%	39.05%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.05%***
4	***2.54%***	25.65%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.02%***
5	***2.51%***	25.96%	***0.00%***	***0.04%***	***0.00%***
6	6.67%	20.19%	***0.00%***	***0.05%***	***0.00%***
7	9.49%	11.81%	***0.00%***	***1.62%***	***0.00%***
8	8.96%	13.79%	***0.00%***	***1.62%***	***0.00%***
9	22.16%	15.52%	***0.00%***	***2.26%***	***0.01%***
10	17.64%	23.15%	***0.00%***	***3.07%***	***0.00%***
			Panel B: oil ↛ gold		
Lag	***r***	***RV***	***RJ***	***RSK***	***RKU***
1	91.06%	25.88%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.09%***
2	94.43%	41.71%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.14%***
3	90.67%	29.29%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.02%***
4	31.67%	18.18%	***0.00%***	***0.00%***	***0.05%***
5	15.39%	***4.12%***	***0.00%***	***0.01%***	***0.34%***
6	17.70%	8.06%	***0.00%***	***0.03%***	***0.06%***
7	17.46%	14.86%	***0.00%***	***0.04%***	***0.07%***
8	16.65%	18.93%	***0.00%***	***0.28%***	***0.48%***
9	24.42%	21.77%	***0.00%***	***0.82%***	***4.83%***
10	40.26%	34.79%	***0.00%***	***0.67%***	***0.06%***

Note: See Notes to Table 1.

Table 3. Rejection Rates of Rolling Window Causality

	gold ↛ oil		oil ↛ gold	
	Parametric	Bootstrap	Parametric	Bootstrap
r	0.90%	1.01%	2.96%	3.07%
RV	79.97%	72.68%	77.94%	75.73%
RJ	29.98%	29.31%	24.96%	24.61%
RSK	0.06%	0.31%	9.25%	9.29%
RKU	6.22%	5.88%	12.27%	12.17%

Note: See Notes to Table 1; a larger number of rejection rate indicates a higher frequency of causality in the sample period.

Table 4. *p*-Values of Casualty-in-Moments Test

					Panel A: gold ↛ oil			
	N	$\varphi_{1t}^{(1)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(2)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q1)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q2)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q3)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q4)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q5)}$
$\varphi_{2t}^{(1)}$	1	23.0%	***3.3%***	38.8%	56.7%	***4.9%***	***2.3%***	***0.6%***
	5	15.4%	35.1%	36.0%	40.4%	24.7%	14.0%	12.4%
	10	40.2%	38.0%	65.6%	81.1%	29.9%	6.9%	16.3%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(2)}$	1	79.0%	33.7%	72.1%	57.8%	45.5%	69.3%	91.9%
	5	89.4%	43.2%	72.6%	57.2%	95.3%	18.8%	98.7%
	10	76.2%	***2.2%***	73.2%	65.0%	***3.8%***	23.4%	16.9%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q1)}$	1	74.6%	***2.1%***	17.7%	86.0%	***2.9%***	46.3%	12.0%
	5	58.9%	***3.3%***	65.2%	9.5%	26.7%	94.1%	18.9%
	10	37.4%	9.1%	76.2%	17.3%	17.7%	48.6%	8.2%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q2)}$	1	46.0%	65.4%	88.7%	77.3%	29.8%	8.7%	29.7%
	5	80.4%	77.2%	81.4%	79.8%	40.4%	51.1%	76.9%
	10	95.7%	93.8%	93.6%	89.0%	78.2%	32.3%	94.2%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q3)}$	1	35.7%	77.3%	16.3%	76.6%	79.9%	48.0%	49.1%
	5	19.6%	***1.1%***	***0.6%***	68.4%	38.7%	14.3%	65.3%
	10	32.2%	***0.8%***	***0.4%***	58.7%	35.4%	22.5%	***4.8%***
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q4)}$	1	22.4%	99.4%	20.1%	48.4%	18.3%	28.7%	46.1%
	5	84.0%	99.4%	60.4%	38.5%	60.2%	44.6%	63.5%
	10	40.4%	85.8%	25.2%	43.0%	71.0%	46.2%	80.3%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q5)}$	1	14.9%	11.0%	16.6%	96.7%	***4.2%***	5.5%	***0.5%***
	5	19.3%	39.7%	5.0%	95.8%	25.0%	8.5%	10.0%
	10	48.5%	***1.6%***	***1.3%***	70.6%	9.7%	***4.7%***	***3.0%***
					Panel B: oil ↛ gold			
	N	$\varphi_{1t}^{(1)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(2)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q1)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q2)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q3)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q4)}$	$\varphi_{1t}^{(q5)}$
$\varphi_{2t}^{(1)}$	1	32.7%	18.5%	69.1%	33.2%	45.1%	42.4%	16.6%
	5	27.5%	***0.4%***	10.5%	74.2%	33.0%	95.9%	13.6%
	10	37.8%	***4.4%***	38.3%	28.5%	37.1%	98.6%	8.4%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(2)}$	1	49.0%	80.9%	88.6%	38.5%	81.1%	70.7%	48.1%
	5	64.8%	32.5%	39.4%	23.8%	77.6%	76.8%	38.3%
	10	80.6%	8.1%	5.0%	25.6%	12.1%	32.3%	13.9%
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q1)}$	1	64.5%	***2.1%***	64.3%	18.6%	49.1%	30.3%	25.6%
	5	32.4%	***0.6%***	***2.1%***	52.4%	8.6%	74.5%	25.5%
	10	66.8%	***1.3%***	***4.2%***	50.4%	14.0%	55.0%	***1.9%***
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q2)}$	1	34.1%	26.5%	6.2%	***2.4%***	84.4%	44.7%	66.9%
	5	49.6%	49.2%	20.8%	18.9%	99.3%	79.0%	72.3%
	10	43.8%	64.0%	32.5%	19.3%	26.8%	27.8%	***0.1%***
$\varphi_{2t}^{(q3)}$	1	20.7%	***2.9%***	98.7%	10.5%	22.3%	***2.9%***	63.4%
	5	***0.3%***	8.4%	8.3%	19.0%	***0.4%***	31.8%	5.5%
	10	***1.0%***	9.2%	18.2%	52.4%	***0.1%***	40.4%	25.8%

$\boldsymbol{\varphi_{2t}^{(q4)}}$	1	***0.2%***	82.4%	5.2%	37.6%	87.8%	25.3%	5.2%
	5	8.0%	28.2%	34.2%	24.0%	82.9%	84.6%	46.9%
	10	21.3%	49.4%	76.3%	32.6%	39.6%	94.2%	20.4%
$\boldsymbol{\varphi_{2t}^{(q5)}}$	1	59.7%	88.2%	53.0%	68.3%	61.1%	50.0%	86.7%
	5	41.6%	***0.6%***	54.1%	38.7%	50.4%	89.8%	25.7%
	10	21.7%	7.4%	79.9%	48.5%	5.3%	97.8%	16.1%

Note: $\phi_{it}^{(1)}$ is the first moment, $\phi_{it}^{(2)}$ is the second moment, $\phi_{it}^{(q1)}$ is the quantile of (0,0.2), $\phi_{it}^{(q2)}$ is the quantile of (0.2,0.4), $\phi_{it}^{(q3)}$ is the quantile of (0.4,0.6), $\phi_{it}^{(q4)}$ is the quantile of (0.6,0.8), and $\phi_{it}^{(q5)}$ is the quantile of (0.8,1).

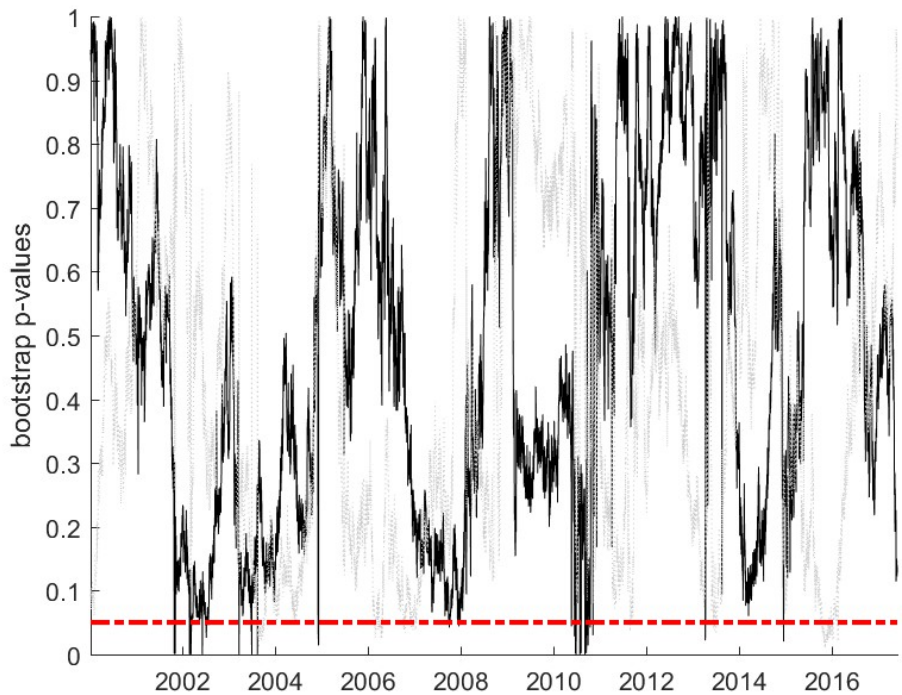


Figure 1. Rolling-Window Causality of Returns (*r*)
Note: Gold ↛ Oil (black line) and Oil ↛ Gold (grey line) bootstrap *p*-values for rolling-window causality analysis. The red horizontal line denotes the 5% significance level.

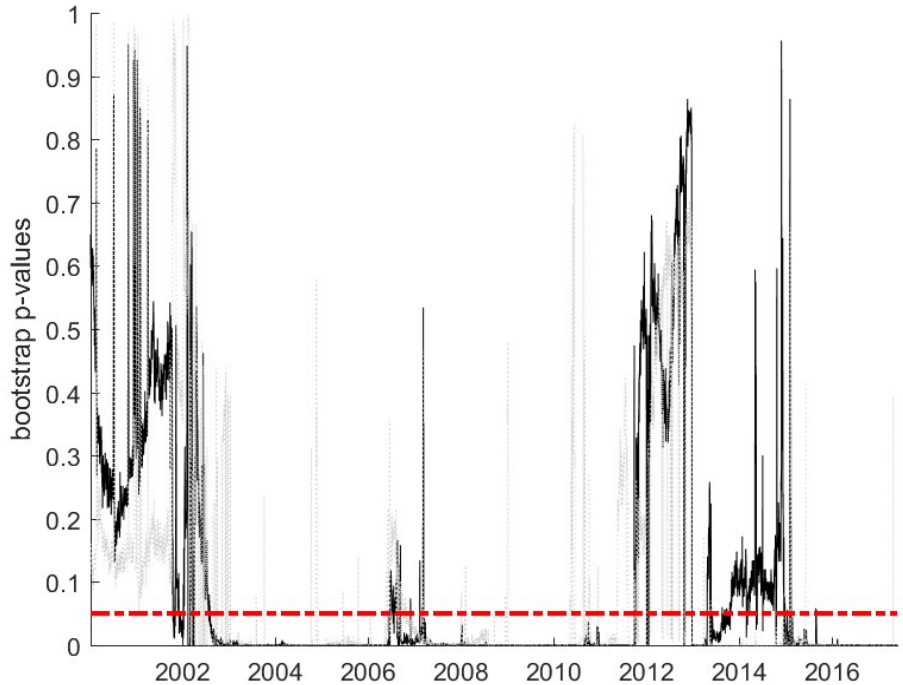


Figure 2. Rolling-Window Causality of Realized Volatility (*RV*)
Note: See Notes to Figure 1.

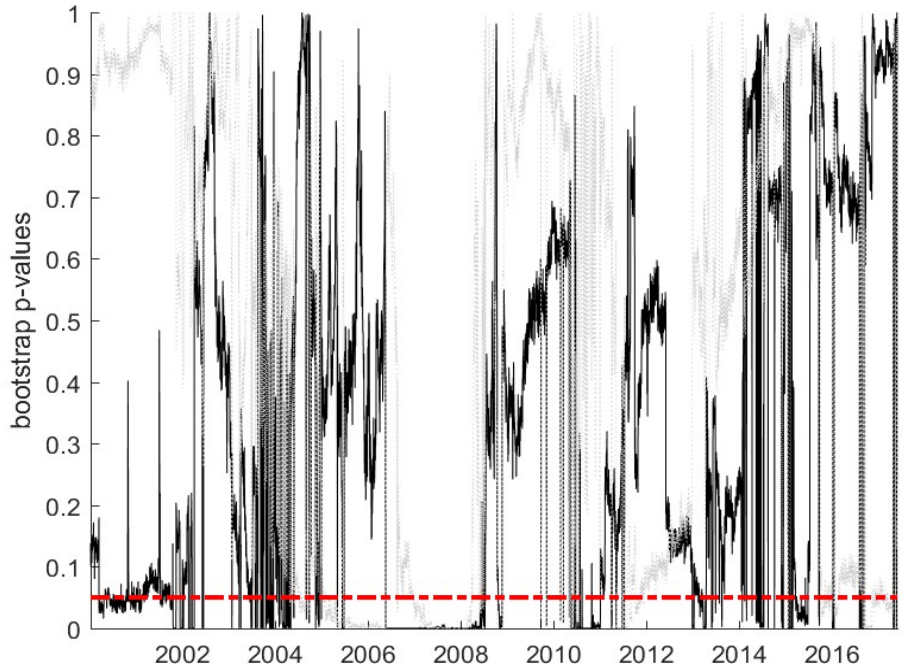


Figure 3. Rolling-Window Causality of Jumps (*RJ*)
Note: See Notes to Figure 1.

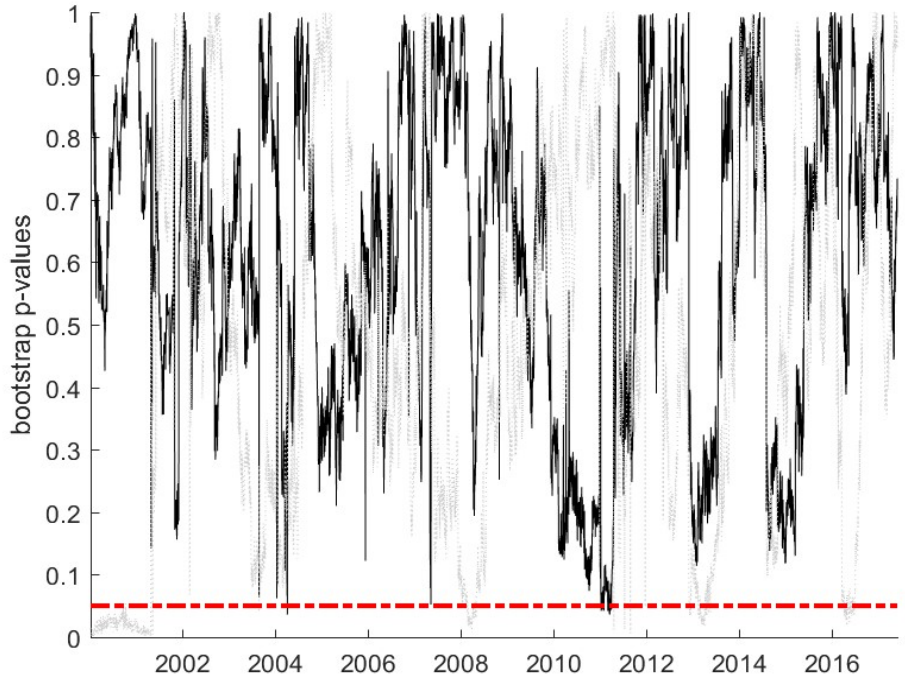


Figure 4. Rolling-Window Causality of Realized Skewness (*RSK*)
Note: See Notes to Figure 1.

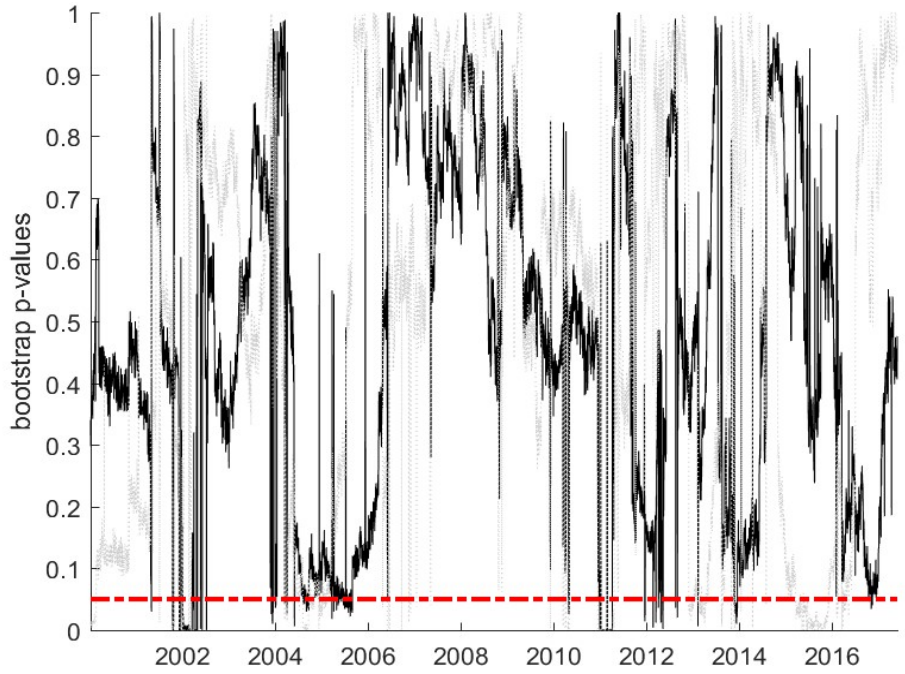


Figure 5. Rolling-Window Causality of Realized Kurtosis (*RKU*)
Note: See Notes to Figure 1.

Appendix

Table A1. Summary Statistics

	Variable									
	Gold					Oil				
Statistic	*r*	*RV*	*RJ*	*RSK*	*RKU*	*r*	*RV*	*RJ*	*RSK*	*RKU*
Mean	0,0002	0,0001	0,0000	-0,0073	9,8412	0,0002	0,0004	0,0000	-0,0373	9,7147
Median	0,0003	0,0001	0,0000	-0,0155	6,5458	0,0003	0,0003	0,0000	-0,0368	6,8049
Maximum	0,0959	0,0044	0,0006	10,1096	382,7679	0,1722	0,0050	0,0015	9,9328	244,7567
Minimum	-0,0858	0,0000	0,0000	-10,2952	1,6671	-0,1654	0,0000	0,0000	-13,0038	1,5000
Std. Dev.	0,0102	0,0002	0,0000	1,2173	12,9393	0,0214	0,0005	0,0000	1,1781	12,2363
Skewness	-0,1182	8,9481	18,6960	0,2813	9,4266	-0,1694	3,4334	12,6465	0,1336	8,1639
Kurtosis	10,1319	139,1781	509,4392	16,6456	168,6773	7,3764	19,6604	361,0132	18,5190	103,2092
Jarque-Bera	12225,1500	4529114,0000	61912395,0000	44779,7800	6675373,0000	4625,9010	77960,6200	30925903,0000	57838,8200	2474895,0000
p-value	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000	0,0000
N	5762									

Note: *r*: returns; *RV*: realized volatility; *RJ*: jumps; *RSK*: realized skewness, and; *RKU*: realized kurtosis; Std. Dev: standard deviation; *p*-value corresponds to the Jarque-Bera test with the null of normality.

Table A2. BDS Test of Nonlinearity

Dependent Variable	Dimension				
	2	3	4	5	6
***r*: Gold**	9.981***	11.579***	12.868***	13.839***	15.089***
***r*: Oil**	9.542***	13.104***	15.091***	17.094***	19.133***
***RV*: Gold**	31.797***	36.482***	39.539***	42.785***	46.546***
***RV*: Oil**	34.438***	40.788***	45.583***	50.127***	55.656***
***RJ*: Gold**	27.647***	34.423***	39.837***	44.983***	50.502***
***RJ*: Oil**	30.026***	36.812***	42.462***	48.072***	54.154***
***RSK*: Gold**	6.457***	9.869***	13.726***	16.668***	19.598***
***RSK*: Oil**	8.652***	11.863***	15.214***	17.659***	19.947***
***RKU*: Gold**	7.965***	9.687***	12.336***	14.484***	16.116***
***RKU*: Oil**	5.291***	6.687***	7.461***	8.019***	8.725***

Note: See Notes to Table A1; The test is performed on the residuals of the individual equation of the VAR(p) model used for the linear Granger causality test; *** indicates the rejection of the null of *i.i.d.* residuals at the 1% level of significance, with the entries in the Table being Brock et al.,'s (1996) z-statistic.

Table A3. Bai and Perron (2003) Test of Multiple Structural Breaks

Dependent Variable	Dates
***r*: Gold**	No Breaks
***r*: Oil**	No Breaks
***RV*: Gold**	2/7/2002; 1/16/2006; 10/29/2008; 9/29/2011
***RV*: Oil**	1/16/2002; 3/12/2006; 1/9/2009; 8/18/2014
***RJ*: Gold**	6/4/2001; 12/3/2006
***RJ*: Oil**	6/11/2001; 5/21/2006
***RSK*: Gold**	8/7/2013
***RSK*: Oil**	3/16/2014
***RKU*: Gold**	2/23/2009; 2/21/2012
***RKU*: Oil**	11/22/2006

Note: See Notes to Table A1; The test is applied on each equation of the VAR(p) model used for the linear Granger causality test.

Table A4. Test Statistics of the Change-Point Test of Horvath et al. (2017)

	Dependent Variable: Oil	**Dependent Variable: Gold**
r	2.350	1.830
RV	1.421	2.250
RJ	26.614***	18.230***
RSK	11.166***	4.741**
RKU	29.099***	16.489***

Note: See Notes to Table A1; The test is applied on each equation of the VAR(p) model used for the linear Granger causality test; Critical values are 3.54 at 10%; 4.46 at 5% ; and 6.43 at 1%; *** indicates rejection of the null of no-change at 1% level of significance.

Table A5. *p*-Values of Casualty-in-Moments Test over an Out-of-Sample Period of January 2, 2012-May 26, 2017

					Panel A: gold ↛ oil			
	N	$\phi_{1t}^{(1)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(2)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q1)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q2)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q3)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q4)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q5)}$
$\phi_{2t}^{(1)}$	1	75.9%	5.6%	7.8%	61.6%	5.8%	20.9%	5.9%
	5	67.0%	35.3%	48.3%	35.1%	29.7%	54.8%	43.6%
	10	70.5%	11.8%	80.5%	45.3%	55.6%	27.3%	39.1%
$\phi_{2t}^{(2)}$	1	61.1%	35.4%	30.9%	85.4%	7.6%	69.8%	65.6%
	5	86.1%	25.1%	24.1%	17.8%	25.5%	21.3%	57.7%
	10	84.8%	15.1%	54.5%	11.8%	25.0%	21.6%	25.9%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q1)}$	1	67.4%	***4.5%***	6.7%	27.2%	12.4%	28.2%	7.2%
	5	87.3%	13.3%	43.1%	10.7%	69.2%	70.0%	26.3%
	10	85.4%	13.7%	76.6%	31.1%	32.7%	89.0%	17.4%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q2)}$	1	38.0%	64.9%	61.6%	81.1%	67.5%	96.4%	78.0%
	5	6.6%	11.3%	34.4%	48.3%	85.7%	99.6%	55.8%
	10	16.9%	41.0%	32.5%	67.9%	91.0%	90.5%	89.9%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q3)}$	1	13.9%	65.1%	26.6%	51.8%	59.1%	82.4%	8.5%
	5	50.1%	36.2%	39.0%	51.2%	32.8%	79.0%	47.9%
	10	83.2%	***0.7%***	6.4%	38.0%	***0.5%***	88.0%	10.9%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q4)}$	1	15.3%	***4.6%***	8.8%	74.0%	74.2%	69.3%	54.6%
	5	31.2%	29.6%	***3.7%***	19.1%	65.5%	78.2%	96.7%
	10	43.7%	77.2%	22.0%	37.6%	94.3%	49.4%	70.2%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q5)}$	1	80.7%	30.5%	28.3%	75.1%	19.7%	69.6%	21.5%
	5	61.3%	74.1%	17.5%	16.8%	7.0%	98.9%	63.9%
	10	62.2%	48.5%	19.2%	51.4%	15.6%	94.7%	50.1%

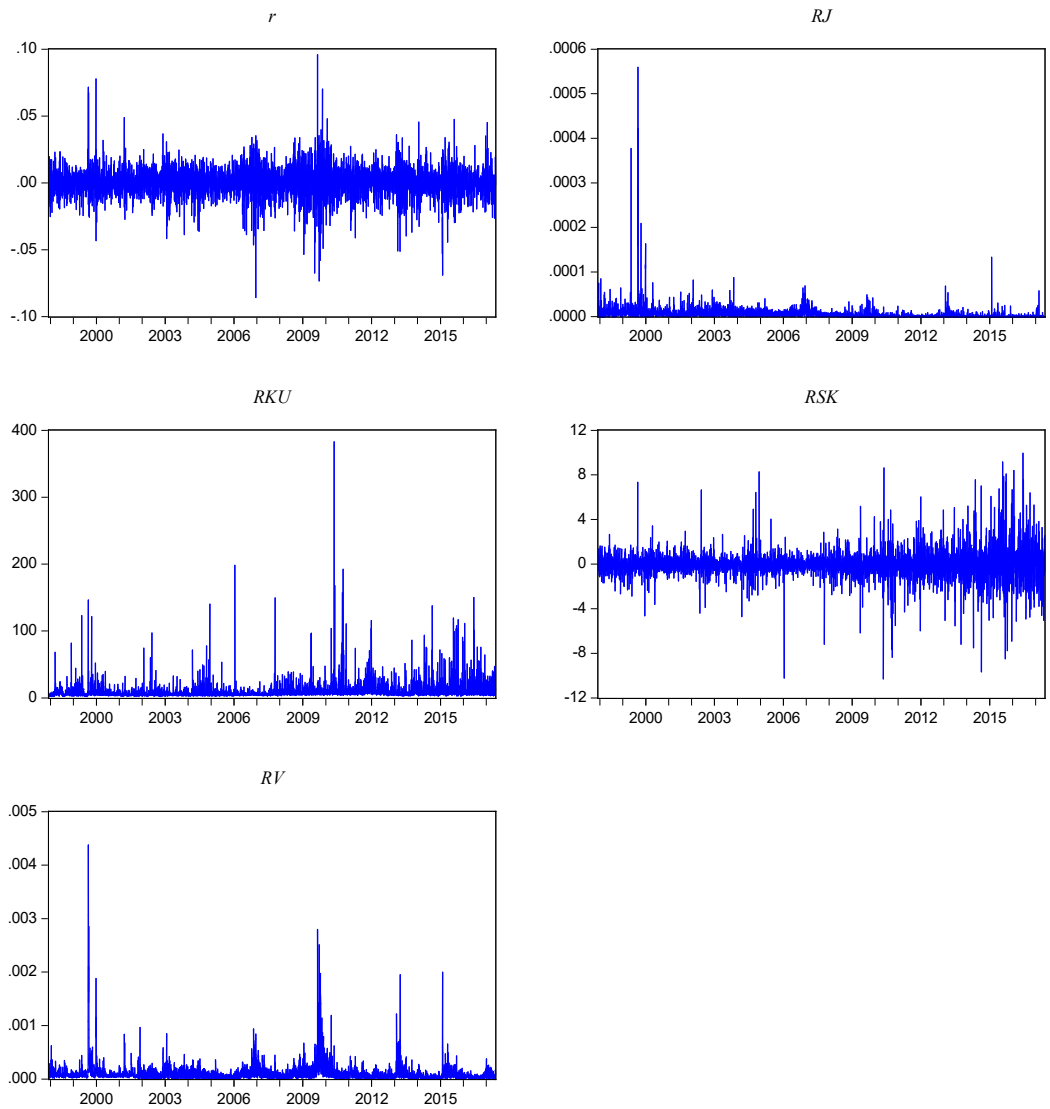
					Panel B: oil ↛ gold			
	N	$\phi_{1t}^{(1)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(2)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q1)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q2)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q3)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q4)}$	$\phi_{1t}^{(q5)}$
$\phi_{2t}^{(1)}$	1	6.8%	9.2%	24.5%	39.0%	53.4%	81.0%	10.8%
	5	8.5%	38.0%	7.7%	42.3%	23.0%	51.5%	46.0%
	10	9.7%	54.1%	12.8%	23.6%	15.8%	59.8%	28.8%
$\phi_{2t}^{(2)}$	1	***1.8%***	97.4%	6.3%	49.6%	48.0%	22.5%	10.8%
	5	20.5%	83.9%	***0.1%***	***4.1%***	62.4%	66.5%	***0.1%***
	10	***4.8%***	5.1%	***0.0%***	23.3%	***0.1%***	42.7%	***0.0%***
$\phi_{2t}^{(q1)}$	1	7.2%	***3.2%***	33.9%	20.6%	66.2%	90.6%	6.1%
	5	11.8%	36.2%	***0.1%***	20.1%	17.2%	21.0%	13.0%
	10	22.9%	10.9%	***1.0%***	15.9%	33.8%	37.2%	***3.2%***
$\phi_{2t}^{(q2)}$	1	99.8%	9.6%	21.0%	***2.6%***	97.5%	38.1%	72.7%
	5	99.4%	36.0%	21.3%	12.6%	53.5%	36.8%	92.7%
	10	61.8%	34.9%	19.7%	41.2%	49.6%	20.7%	10.3%
$\phi_{2t}^{(q3)}$	1	98.7%	13.0%	60.2%	64.7%	26.1%	15.5%	66.8%
	5	21.7%	37.3%	5.0%	68.5%	52.6%	9.7%	12.1%
	10	21.3%	21.9%	7.5%	86.7%	18.0%	***1.6%***	***4.2%***
$\phi_{2t}^{(q4)}$	1	***1.5%***	63.1%	***2.8%***	47.7%	49.2%	48.9%	6.3%
	5	12.2%	69.1%	22.3%	82.1%	66.4%	***4.5%***	39.0%
	10	30.8%	38.2%	31.9%	97.4%	44.9%	13.1%	61.9%

	1	63.5%	19.6%	43.9%	99.3%	96.7%	88.4%	55.2%
$\boldsymbol{\phi_{2t}^{(q5)}}$	5	73.2%	***1.4%***	81.2%	80.8%	50.0%	***3.9%***	21.6%
	10	32.4%	***4.4%***	8.0%	82.4%	***3.7%***	6.1%	32.6%

Note: $\phi_{it}^{(1)}$ is the first moment, $\phi_{it}^{(2)}$ is the second moment, $\phi_{it}^{(q1)}$ is the quantile of (0,0.2), $\phi_{it}^{(q2)}$ is the quantile of (0.2,0.4), $\phi_{it}^{(q3)}$ is the quantile of (0.4,0.6), $\phi_{it}^{(q4)}$ is the quantile of (0.6,0.8), and $\phi_{it}^{(q5)}$ is the quantile of (0.8,1).

Figure A1. Data Plots

A1(a). Gold Market



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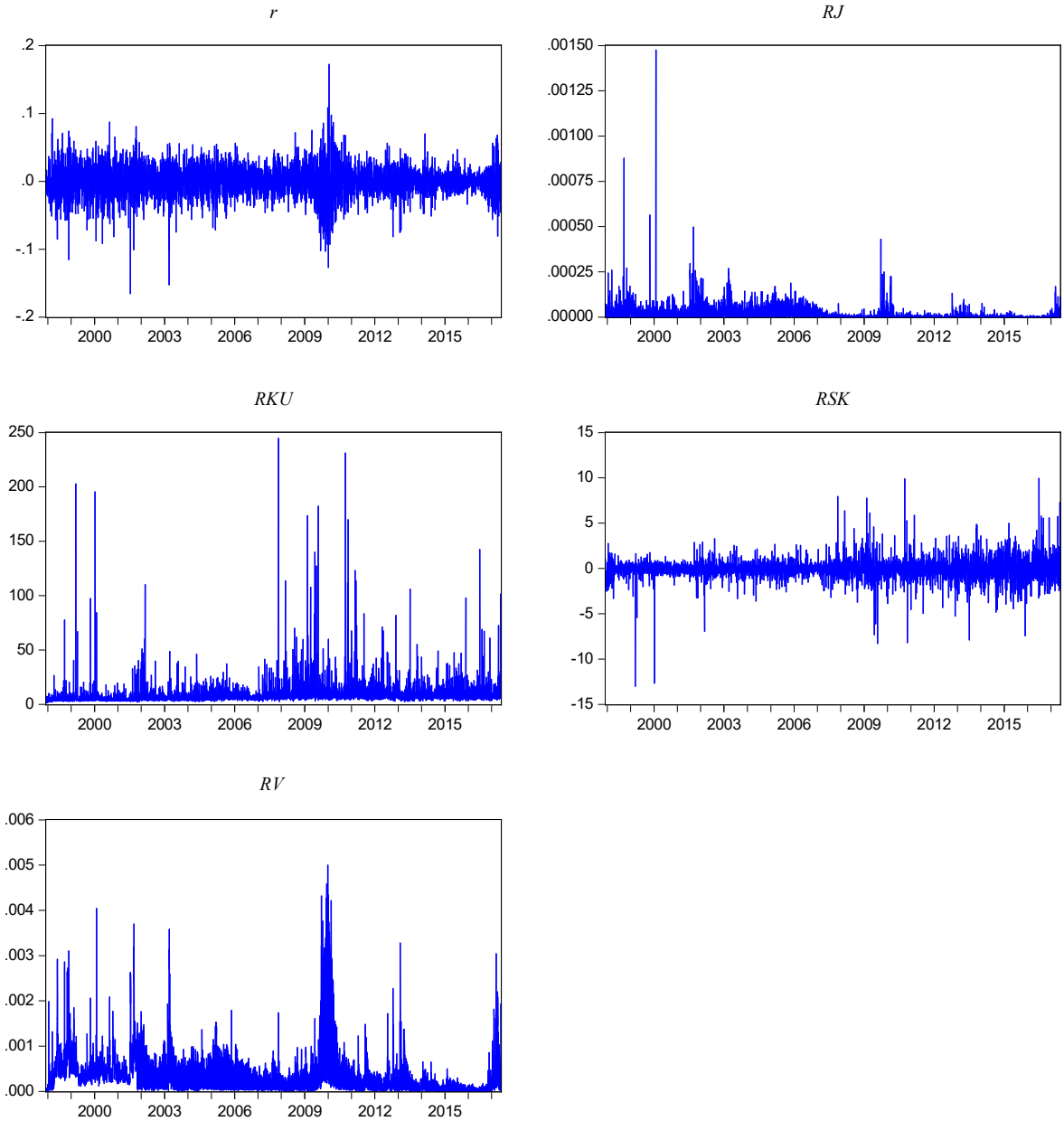

Note: *r*: returns; *RV*: realized volatility; *RJ*: jumps; *RSK*: realized skewness, and; *RKU*: realized kurtosis.