

The Economic Impact of Oil on Industry Portfolios

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Oil and asset prices

- Oil is an input to the economy (input share of oil is 4% approx).
 - Nine out of the last ten US recessions were preceded by an increase in oil prices.
 - Business cycle plays a crucial role in stock returns.
- ⇒ Oil price changes have significant forecasting power for stock market excess returns.
- Oil is a macro variable that affects stock prices, but also affects cash flows of some industries.
- ⇒ Industry portfolio returns react differently to oil price shocks.
- We build an ad-hoc structural model to quantify the different effects of oil shocks in industry portfolios.

Oil and asset prices (cont.)

- The price of a stock is the present value of its dividends (Gordon, 1959)

$$P_i = \frac{D_i}{r_i - g_i}$$

- The discount rate accounts for the risk of the cash flows (e.g., CAPM of Sharpe, 1964 and Lintner, 1965)

$$r_i = r_f + \beta_i \lambda_m$$

where

- r_t^f is the risk-free rate
 - β_i is the quantity of systematic risk
 - λ_m is the market risk premium
- The effects of oil price shocks on stock prices can be decomposed in:
 - business-cycle effects through r_t^f and λ_m
 - industry-specific effects through D_i , g_i and β_i

Related literature

- Oil and the macroeconomy
 - Hamilton (1983), Barsky and Kilian (2004), Kilian (2008), Hamilton (2008)
- Oil and the stock market: classic papers
 - Chen, Roll, and Ross (1986), Huang, Masulis, and Stoll (1996), Jones and Kaul (1996), Sadorsky (1999)
- Oil risk factors and the stock market
 - Kilian and Park (2009), Chiang, Hughen, and Sagi (2012), Ready (2013)
- Oil and stock return predictability
 - Casassus and Higuera (2011), Bakshi, Panayotov, and Skoulakis (2011)
- Conditional CAPM and time-varying risk premia
 - Lettau and Ludvigson (2001), Lustig and Van Nieuwerburgh (2005), Santos and Veronesi (2006), Cooper and Priestley (2009)

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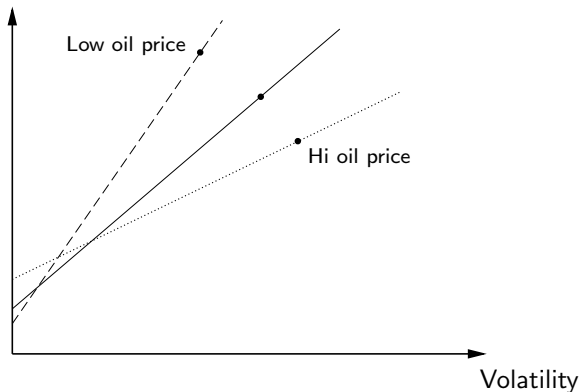
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- θ_s measures the effect of oil on the market price of risk.

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- If $\theta_s < 0$, as suggested by Casassus and Higuera (2011), we have

Expected stock return



State variable dynamics

- The real oil price follows a one-factor mean-reverting process:

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = \kappa_s (\bar{s} - \log(S_t)) dt + \sigma_s \left(\rho_s dZ_{\Lambda,t} + \sqrt{1 - \rho_s^2} dZ_{S,t} \right)$$

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where

- q_t^i is the *endogenous* demand for oil
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- X_t^i captures other factors that affect cash flows and follows:

$$\frac{dX_t^i}{X_t^i} = (\mu_0^i + \mu_S^i \log(S_t))dt + \sigma_I (\text{multiple shocks correlated with other variables})$$

Also,

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Firm's value and optimal decision

- The stock price, P_t^i , is the present value of the future dividends:

$$P_t^i = \sup_{\{q_u^i \in \Psi\}} \mathbb{E}_t \left[\int_t^\infty \frac{\Lambda_u}{\Lambda_t} D^i(q_u^i) du \right]$$

- Proposition 1:** The optimal demand for oil and cash flows of the firm are given by:

$$q_t^{i*} = \left(\frac{\gamma^i X_t^i}{S_t} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma^i}}$$
$$D_t^{i*} = \left(\frac{(\gamma^i) \gamma^i X_t^i}{S_t^{\gamma^i}} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma^i}} (1 - \gamma^i)$$
$$\frac{dD_t^{i*}}{D_t^{i*}} = \left(\frac{(\gamma^i \kappa_s + \mu_s^i) \log(S_t)}{1 - \gamma^i} + \varsigma^i \right) dt + \text{shocks}$$

Solution of the model

- Let the price-dividend ratio be:

$$H^i(s_t, y_t) = \frac{P^i(e^{s_t}, y_t, X_t^i)}{D^i(X_t^i, e^{s_t})}$$

- Note that $H^i = \frac{1}{r_i - g_i}$ in the Gordon growth model.
- H_t^i is determined by a HJB equation and has no exact solution.
- We use Campbell and Viceira's (2002) log-linear approximation around the long-term price-dividend ratio.
- Proposition 2:** The approximated firm's price-dividend ratio is

$$H^i(s_t, y_t) = \exp(a^i + b^i s_t + c^i y_t)$$

where a^i , b^i and c^i are constant coefficients that depend on the parameters of the model.

Stock returns

- Let the instantaneous stock return be

$$\frac{dG_t^i}{G_t^i} = \frac{dP_t^i + D_t^{i*} dt}{P_t^i}$$

- Proposition 3:** The instantaneous stock return is

$$\frac{dG_t^i}{G_t^i} = (r_t^f + \eta_\lambda^i \lambda_t) dt + \eta_\lambda^i dZ_{\lambda,t} + \eta_s^i dZ_{s,t} + \eta_y^i dZ_{y,t} + \eta_x^i dZ_{x,t}$$

where

$$\eta_\lambda^i = \left(b^i - \frac{\gamma^i}{1 - \gamma^i} \right) \sigma_s \rho_s + c^i \rho_y + \frac{1}{1 - \gamma^i} \sigma_x^i \rho_x^i$$

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Gordon's model and oil price elasticities

- Price-dividend ratio

$$E_{H,S}^i = \frac{\partial \log(H_t^i)}{\partial \log(S_t)} = b^i$$

- Cash flows / dividends

$$E_{D,S}^i = \frac{\partial \log(D_t^{i*})}{\partial \log(S_t)} = -\frac{\gamma^i}{1 - \gamma^i}$$

- Discount rate

$$E_{r,S}^i = \frac{\partial \frac{1}{dt} \mathbb{E}_t \left[\frac{dG_t^i}{G_t^i} \right]}{\partial \log(S_t)} = \alpha_s + \eta_\Lambda^i \theta_s$$

- Expected dividend growth rate

$$E_{g,S}^i = \frac{\partial \frac{1}{dt} \mathbb{E}_t \left[\frac{dD_t^{i*}}{D_t^{i*}} \right]}{\partial \log(S_t)} = \frac{\gamma^i \kappa_s + \mu_s^i}{1 - \gamma^i}$$

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Data and estimation

- We assume that a market portfolio exists

$$\frac{dG_t^m}{G_t^m} = (r_t^f + \sigma_m \lambda_t) dt + \sigma_m dZ_{\Lambda,t}$$

- The panel data for the sample period 1983M04-2010M12 consist of
 - Oil price: crude oil futures with one month to maturity
 - Stock returns: Kenneth French's 17 industry sorted portfolios
 - Market returns: CRSP-VW Index
 - Interest rates: one-month Treasury bill rates
 - Deflator: CPI
- The oil intensity for each industry, γ^i , is calibrated from cash-flow data
- The model is estimated by Maximum Likelihood

Oil intensity, γ_i

- In the model, oil intensity is

$$\gamma^i = \frac{S_t q_t^{i*}}{X_t^i (q_t^{i*})^{\gamma^i}} = \frac{\text{oil expenditure}_i}{\text{sales revenue}_i}$$

- Data from the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey (MECS) of EIA

Portfolio		Years				Average
Name	Description	1994	1998	2002	2006	
Food	Food	0.045	0.013	0.018	0.025	0.025
Oil	Oil and Petroleum Products	0.149	0.217	0.153	0.105	0.156
Clths	Textiles, Apparel & Footwear	0.021	0.013	0.016	0.017	0.017
Durbl	Consumer Durables	0.016	0.014	0.013	0.014	0.014
Chems	Chemicals	0.125	0.103	0.127	0.142	0.124
Cnsum	Drugs, Soap, Prfums, Tobacco		0.038	0.033	0.038	0.036
Cnstr	Construction and Construction Mat.	0.108	0.035	0.033	0.041	0.054
Steel	Steel Works Etc	0.074	0.060	0.054	0.044	0.058
FabPr	Fabricated Products		0.016	0.017	0.017	0.017
Machn	Machinery and Business Equipment	0.005	0.008	0.009	0.010	0.008
Cars	Automobiles	0.006	0.006	0.006	0.007	0.006
Trans	Transportation		0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Rtail	Retail Stores		0.011	0.014	0.017	0.014
Total		9	13	13	13	13

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Oil	0.145	25.70	0.630	19.08	-0.024	-1.75
Clths	0.222	25.29	0.789	34.51	-0.117	-4.54
Durbl	0.204	19.75	0.810	20.47	-0.111	-3.86
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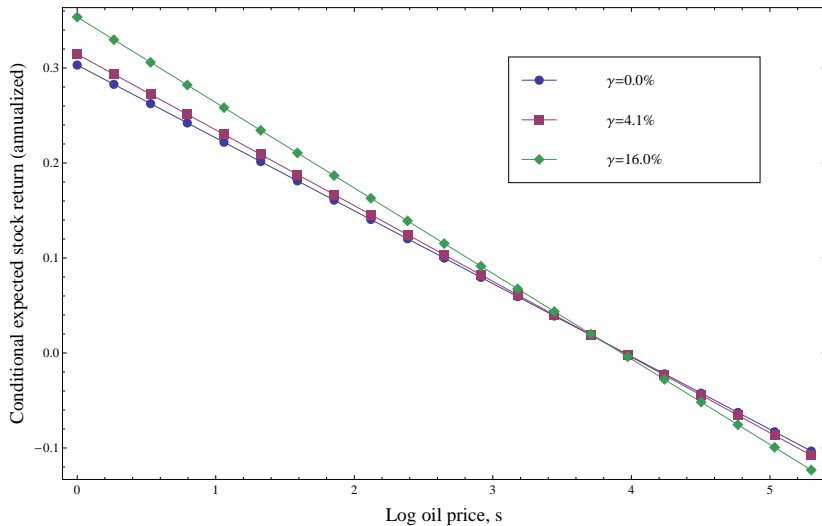
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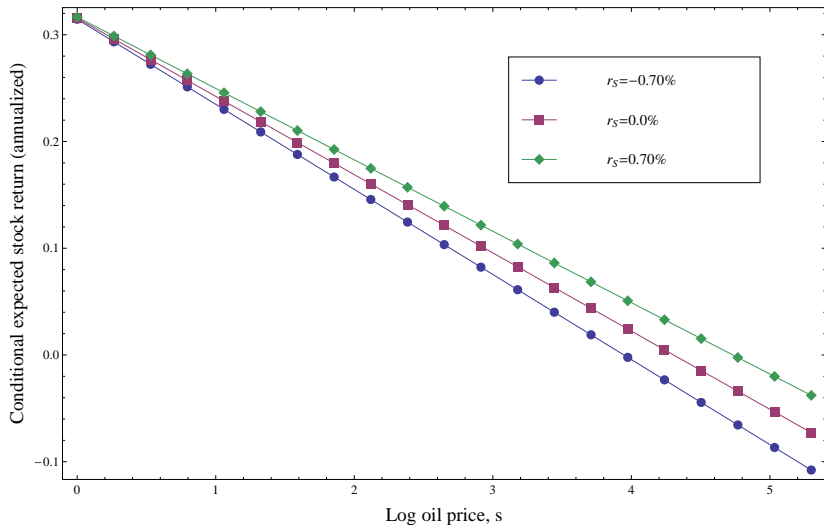
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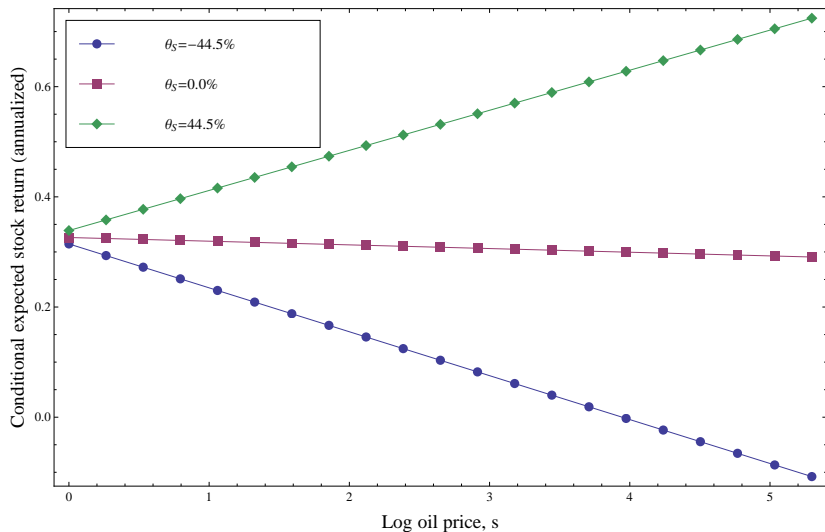
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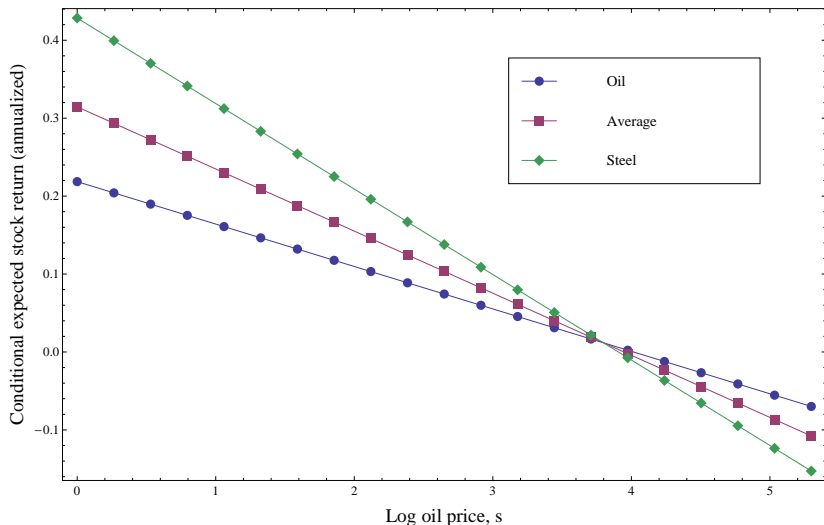













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