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EDUCATION

Ph.D., finance, 1995, McGill University

M.Sc., applied economics, 1988, HEC Montréal

B.com., applied economics and marketing, 1986, HEC Montréal

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Professor (2004-...), Associate professor (1999-04), Assistant professor (1996-99), HEC Montréal

Assistant professor (1993-1996), Université du Québec à Montréal

Visiting professor, September 2005, Institut d'administration des entreprises, Toulouse I university

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

B.com.: Options and Futures; Portfolio Management; Corporate Finance

MBA: Portfolio management

M.Sc.: Derivatives; Advanced Fixed Income

Ph.D.: Numerical Methods in Finance

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

Department chair (2010-..., 2004-07). School research committee (2001-02). Finance area recruiting committee (2001-07). M.Sc. area coordinator (1997-99). Ph.D. area coordinator (2002-03).

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2012, Linearized Nelson-Siegel and Svensson models for the estimation of spot interest rates, forthcoming in *European Journal of Operational Research*.

Dionne, G., Gauthier, G., Hammami, K., Maurice, M., Simonato, J.G., 2011, A reduced form model of default spreads with Markov switching macroeconomic factors, *Journal of Banking and Finance* 35, 1984-2000.

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Simonato, J.G., 2011, Johnson binomial trees, *Quantitative Finance* 11, 1165-1176.

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Duan, J.C., Gauthier, G., Sasseville, C., Simonato, J.G., 2006, Approximating the GJR-GARCH and EGARCH option pricing models analytically, *Journal of Computational Finance* 9, spring.

Denault, M., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2006, Improving lattice schemes through bias reduction, *Journal of Futures Markets* 26, 733-757.

Raynauld, J., Simonato, J.G., 2005, Studio teaching in an undergraduate course in options and futures, *international journal of finance education* 1, 124-140.

Duan, J.C., Gauthier, G., Sasseville, C., Simonato, J.G., 2003, Approximating american option prices in the GARCH framework, *Journal of Futures Markets* 23, 915-929.

Duan, J.C., Dudley, E., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2003, Pricing discretely monitored barrier options by a Markov chain, *Journal of Derivatives* 10, 9-31.

Datey, J.Y., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2003, The performance of analytical approximations for the computation of Asian quanto-basket option prices, *Multinational Finance Journal* 7, 55-82.

Duan, J.C., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2003, A Markov chain method for pricing contingent claims, in *Stochastic Models and Optimization*, D.Yao, H. Zhang, X.Y. Zhou editors, Springer Verlag Operations Research Series.

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 2002, Maximum likelihood estimation of deposit insurance value with interest rate risk, *Journal of Empirical Finance* 9, 109-132.

Duan, J.C., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 2001, Asymptotic distribution of the EMS option price, *Management Science* 47, 1122-1132

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 2001, American option pricing under GARCH by a Markov chain approximation, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control* 25, 1689-1718.

Duan, J.C., Gauthier, G., Simonato, J.G., 1999, An analytical approximation for the GARCH option pricing model, *Journal of Computational Finance* 2, 75-116.

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 1999, Robbins' variance bound, *Encyclopedia of Statistical Science* (update to volume 3), S. Kotz editor, John Wiley & Sons, 775-776.

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 1999, Estimating and testing exponential affine term structure models by Kalman filters, *Review of Quantitative Finance and Accounting* 13, 111-135.

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 1998, Empirical martingale simulation for asset prices, *Management Science* 44, 1218-1233.

Simonato, J.G., 1993, The estimation of GARCH process under structural change, *Economic Letters* 40, 155-158.

Duan, J.C., Simonato, J.G., 1993, Multiplicity of solutions in factor analysis, *Journal of Statistical Computations and Simulations* 47, 37-47.

Raynauld, J., Simonato, J.G., 1993, Seasonal BVARs, a search along some time domain priors, *Journal of Econometrics* 55, 203-229.

AWARDS

Gaétan Morin Research Award, HEC Montréal, 2001; Young Researcher Award, HEC Montréal, 1999.

REFEREEING ACTIVITIES

Ad-hoc referee for *Review of Financial Studies*, *Management Science*, *Review of Finance*, *Mathematical Finance*, *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, *Journal of Risk*, *Journal of Risk and Insurance*, *Geneva Risk and Insurance Review*, *Journal of Futures Markets*, *Energy Economics*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Canadian Journal of Administrative Sciences*, *Automatica*, *International Journal of Computer Mathematics*, *Social Science and Humanities Research Council (Canada)*, *Research Grant Council (Hong Kong)*, *Fonds Québécois de Recherche sur la Société et la Culture*.

Editorial board member, finance area, *Canadian Journal of Administrative Sciences*, 2006-....

OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

Scientific committee, *Institut de Finance Mathématique de Montréal*, 2003-04. Peer review committee, *Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)*, 1997-98, 2007-08. Peer review committee, *Fonds Québécois de Recherche sur la Société et la Culture (FQRSC)*, 1997-98. M.Sc and Ph.D. bursary committee, *Fondation Desjardins*, 1997-03. Ph.D. external examiner, *University of Toronto*, 2002. Ph.D. external examiner, *Laval University*, 2002. External examiner, *McMaster University*, 2004. External examiner, *University of Ghana*.

CONSULTING ACTIVITIES

Bombardier: validation of statistical models for depreciated asset values. **Hydro-Québec:** validation of energy derivatives and Value-at-Risk models. **Standard Life:** term structure of interest rate modeling. **Institut de Finance Mathématique:** practitioners' seminar on Monte Carlo simulation. **Hydro-Québec pension fund:** academic member of the risk management group (2001-03). **Banque Nationale:** software validation for exotic derivatives pricing. **Hydro-Québec:** exotic derivatives pricing. **Bourse de Montréal:** practitioners' seminar on interest rate derivatives. **Caisse**

de dépôt: practitioners' seminars on pension fund management. **Nortel:** pension plan option valuation. **Finlab:** Value-at-Risk model validation.