

## Curriculum Vitae – Peter H. Gruber

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Asset Pricing, Financial Econometrics, Numerical Methods, HPC

CURRENT POSITION **Università della Svizzera italiana, Lugano** 2014-ongoing  
Postdoctoral research associate, SNF project “Higher order robust resampling  
and multiple testing methods”, project leader: Prof. Fabio Trojani

EDUCATION **Università della Svizzera italiana, Lugano** 2015/06  
PhD in Economics, “Essays on Variance Risk”, Thesis Committee: Prof. David Bates (Iowa),  
Prof. Patrick Gagliardini (Lugano), Prof. Markus Leippold (Zürich), Prof. Fabio Trojani  
(Lugano, supervisor)

**University of St. Gallen** 2005-2007  
PhD courses in Economics and Finance (PEF-program)

**University of St. Gallen** 2005/11  
M.A. in Quantitative Economics and Finance, “Market Expectations of Short Interest  
Rates”, supervisor: Prof. Paul Söderlind

**CERN, Geneva and Vienna University of Technology** 2001/09  
PhD in Particle Physics, “Ionization Cooling for a Neutrino Factory”, supervisors: Prof. Heinz  
Oberhummer, Dr. Alessandra Lombardi

**Vienna University of Technology** 1998/09  
MSc Physics (Diplom-Ingenieur) “Der Einfluss der Lage der 7654keV-Resonanz von  $^{12}\text{C}$  auf  
die Produktion von Kohlenstoff im Universum”, supervisor: Prof. Heinz Oberhummer

### WORKING PAPERS

**Three Make a Dynamic Smile – Unspanned Skewness and Interacting Volatility  
Components in Option Valuation**, (2010), joint work with R. Reno, C. Tebaldi and  
F. Trojani, <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1786408>

**The Price of the Smile and Variance Risk Premia**, (2015), joint work with C. Tebaldi  
and F. Trojani, swiss:finance:institute Research Paper No. 15-36, submitted to Review of  
Financial Studies, <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2648288>

**Eliciting a Smile – Numerical Methods for Option Pricing with Matrix Affine  
Jump Diffusions**, (2015), <http://www.people.usi.ch/gruberp/ElicitingASmile.pdf>

## PRESENTATIONS

### **The Price of the Smile and Variance Risk Premia**

Workshop on Skewness, Heavy Tails, Market Crashes and Dynamics, Society for Financial Econometrics and Institute for New Economic Thinking, 2014, Cambridge, UK; Finance Seminar at the University L. Bocconi, 2014, Milan; Research Days of the swiss:finance:institute, 2014 Gerzensee, Switzerland; 7th World Congress of the Bachelier Finance Society, 2014, Brussels; Annual meeting of the French Finance Society 2015, Paris\*; Society for Financial Econometrics annual meeting 2016, Hong Kong\*; European Finance Association, 2016, Oslo\*

### **Three Make a Dynamic Smile – Unspanned Skewness and Interacting Volatility Components in Option Valuation**

Seminar at the Vienna University of Technology, 2010, Vienna; 5th World Congress of the Bachelier Finance Society, 2010, Toronto, Canada; European Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2010, Frankfurt, Germany\*; Midwestern Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2011, Chicago; Eastern Finance Conference, 2011, Savannah, GA

### **Seven golden steps towards implementing Matrix Affine Jump Diffusion models**

Research Seminar, Università della Svizzera italiana, 2008, Lugano

### **Option pricing with matrix affine jump diffusions**

PEF Research Seminar, 2008, St. Gallen; finrisk Research Day, 2008, Gerzensee, Switzerland; X. Workshop on Quantitative Finance, 2009, Milan

\* presentation given by a co-author

## DISCUSSIONS

“Stock Illiquidity, Option Prices, and Option Returns” by Stefan Kanne, Olaf Korn and Marliese Uhrig-Homburg, European Finance Association, Oslo, 2016

“A Market-Based Funding Liquidity Measure” by Zhuo Chen and Andrea Lu, 13<sup>th</sup> International Paris Finance Meeting, 2015

“Do stylized facts of equity-based volatility indices apply to fixed-income volatility indices? Evidence from the US Treasury market” by R. Lopez, AFFI Annual Meeting, 2015, Cergy

“The Information Content of Option Demand” by K. Kehrle et al., 9th finrisk Research Day, 2012, Gerzensee, Switzerland

“Foreign currency returns and systematic risks” by V. Galsband et al., Workshop on Financial Determinants of Exchange Rates, 2011, Banca d’Italia, Rome

“Recovering Nonlinear Dynamics from Option Prices” by A. Engulstov et al., 10th Swiss Doctoral Workshop in Finance, 2011, Gerzensee, Switzerland

“Does Risk-Neutral Skewness Predict the Cross-Section of Equity Option Portfolio Returns?” by T. Bali et al., Eastern Finance Conference, 2011, Savannah, GA

“VIX Dynamics with Stochastic Volatility of Volatility” by A. Kaeck et al., Midwestern Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2011, Chicago

“Correlation risk and the term structure of interest rates” by A. Buraschi et al., Financial Markets and Real Activity, 2008, Paris, France

“Joint model of corporate default intensities and macroeconomic dynamics” by V. Sahakyan et al., 7th Swiss Doctoral Workshop in Finance, 2008, Gerzensee

“Benchmarks in Aggregate Household Portfolios” by Pascal St-Amour, NCCR finrisk Research Day, 2007, Gerzensee, Switzerland

“A small investor model for the limit order book and some applications” by Jörg Osterrieder, NCCR finrisk Workshop, 2006, Gerzensee, Switzerland

PUBLICATIONS  
DIDACTICS P. Gruber and the ESPACE Collaboration, (2000), **The LTWO paradigm – a general theory for IT-based education systems** *Proceedings of the 5th Workshop on Multimedia in Physics Teaching and Learning, Vienna, 8th-11th October 2000*, Editor: H. Oberhammer

PUBLICATIONS  
PHYSICS (SELECTED) A. Blondel et al., (2004), **CFA/CERN Studies of a European Neutrino Factory Complex** *CERN Yellow Report*, CERN-2004-002. (Editor for the part on machine physics)

J. Norem et al., (2003), **Dark Current and X Ray Measurements of an 805 MHz Pillbox Cavity** *Proceedings of the International PAC, Portland (USA)*, IEEE

P. Gruber, J. Torun, (2003), **Beam Photography – a Method to Create a 2D Image of Dark Current** *Proceedings of the International Particle Accelerator Conference (PAC), Portland (USA)*, IEEE

P. Gruber, (2003), **Normalized Emittance in the Case of Large Momentum Spreads** *J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys.* 29

P. Gruber (Ed.), (2002), **The Study of a European Neutrino Factory Complex** *CERN/PS/2002-080 (PP)*

P. Gruber and E. Mckigney, (2001), **A First Study of a Scintillating Fibre Detector for a Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment** *CERN-NUFACT-079, IC/HEP-01*

A. Blondel et al., (2000), **Neutrino Factory. Beam and Experiments: Summary** *Nucl. Instruments Methods Phys. Res., A* : 451

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE  
(COURSE DESIGN)

#### **Applied Numerical Methods with MATLAB and R**

- *Solving Economics and Finance Problems with MATLAB*, U. St. Gallen, 2005-ongoing
- *An introduction to MATLAB*, U. St. Gallen, 2014-ongoing
- *Informatica II – Numerical Methods with R*, U. Lugano, 2014-ongoing
- *Advanced Numerical methods with MATLAB*, St. Gallen, 2015
- *Numerical methods with MATLAB*, U. Geneva, 2013-2014

#### **Mathematics and Econometrics**

- *Elementi di Matematica per le Scienze della Comunicazione*, U. Lugano, 2010-2011
- *Ricupero di Matematica per le Scienze della Comunicazione*, U. Lugano, 2010-2011
- *Linear Models and Variance Analysis*, St. Gallen, 2007-2008

FURTHER TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

- *Statistica I*, course assistant, U. Lugano, 2017
- *Asset pricing*, course assistant, U. Geneva, 2014-2015
- *Financial Econometrics*, course assistant, U. Lugano, 2011-2013
- *Übungen Makroökonomie II*, tutor, U. St. Gallen, 2005-2014
- *Rechenübungen für Technische Physiker*, tutor, UT Vienna, 1991-94
- Supervision of 12 master thesis

LECTURE NOTES

**Solving Economics and Finance Problems with MATLAB**, (2012), 200 pages  
<http://www.people.usi.ch/gruberp/MatlabMasterScript.pdf>

**Linear Models and Variance Analysis**, (2009), 113 pages  
<http://www.people.usi.ch/gruberp/LinModelsScript.pdf>

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	<p><b>Università della Svizzera italiana, Lugano</b> 2008-ongoing Research associate, NCCR-Finrisk project, project leader: Prof. Fabio Trojani</p> <p><b>University of St. Gallen, Department of Economics</b> 2004/11-2005/12 Assistant in Monetary and Real Estate Economics to Prof. Jörg Baumberger</p> <p><b>CERN, Geneva</b> 2001/09-2003/08 Research Fellow, Neutrino Factory Working Group, simulations with Fortran, development of a muon cooling experiment, co-editor of a CERN report, supervision of two students</p>
AWARDS AND GRANTS	<p>Swiss Finance Institute Best Discussant Award 2011</p> <p>Research grant of the CAREFIN foundation (EUR 3.000,-) 2009</p> <p>CERN Fellowship 2001</p> <p>CERN Austrian Doctoral Student Programme Scholarship 1999</p>
COMMUNITY SERVICE	<p><b>Memberships of conference program committees</b> European Finance Association, annual meeting French Finance Association (AFFI), Paris December Finance meeting</p> <p><b>Referee Reports</b> European Journal of Finance Journal of Empirical Finance Economic Notes Econometrics and Statistics</p> <p><b>swiss:finance:instute</b> Guidelines for Discussions at the Annual Swiss Doctoral Workshop in Finance</p> <p>Student representative, program committee of the PhD program in Economics and Finance (PEF), HSG 2006-2008</p>
LANGUAGES	<p>German (native speaker), English (teaching), Italian (teaching), French MATLAB (teaching), R (teaching), MySQL, Python</p>