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1. Introduction

Negative relation between returns and volatility is widely documented for various markets. Specifically, innovations to return are negatively correlated with innovations to volatility, with one's declines more likely associated with the other's increases. Moreover, returns decline has a stronger effect on volatility increase than returns increase on volatility decline (Bollerslev et al., 2007). Lien and Yang (2008) apply the negative asymmetric relation in commodity markets to improve futures hedging.

Two prevailing theories have been discussed in literature to explain the negative relation. The leverage hypothesis by Black (1976) implies that negative shocks to returns increase financial leverage, making stocks riskier and therefore subsequently driving up volatility. On the other hand, volatility feedback hypothesis from Poterba and Summers (1986) and Campbell and Hentschel (1992) suggest a reverse mechanism, where positive innovations to volatility lead to a decline in returns. A more recent study by Hibbert, Daigler and Dupoyet (2008) propose a behavioral explanation for short-term negative asymmetric relation between market returns and implied/realized volatility, after refuting leverage and volatility feedback models' effectiveness for S&P500 (Nasdaq 100) index.

I investigate the relation between market returns and volatility at daily to 1-min intervals for ETNs¹ and futures based on VIX, which is the implied volatility index and also known as “fear gauge”. This study is on relation between return of volatility and the volatility of volatility.

¹ ETN is like ETF with performances linked to certain assets, but essentially a bond. More info at <http://www.ipathetn.com/VXX-overview.jsp> and <http://www.moneyandmarkets.com/why-etns-are-riskier-than-they-look-29589>

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I add to the literature by proposing well-controlled scenarios for testing pure behavioral effects in financial markets, discovering positive correlation between daily VIX products' returns and volatilities, identifying a new pattern in relation change from daily to intraday, and providing parallel intraday results for the return–volatility relation for instruments derived from the single underlying VIX. In particular, this study shows that the negative association of return to changes in volatility is consistent with behavioral explanations, while the leverage and volatility feedback models do not explain our results for VIX instruments, which do not follow the fundamental value properties required by either model.

Empirical tests in this paper include three major advantages over previous research. First, I use VIX instruments which provide well-designed samples to control for interfering factors.

² If we treat return as the first difference of equity price, then volatility is the second order of difference. Thus the return of volatility and volatility of volatility are 3rd and 4th order difference of price, respectively. These higher order properties can be linked to higher moments of price's statistical distribution.

VIX products' prices are not based on economic values as stocks are, since VIX is just a measure of market fear. Second, volatility of VIX instruments is a measure of fear in VIX, and fear is a very essential part of market behaviors. In-depth studies on fears shed more lights on how markets evolve. Third, based on the same VIX, these instruments including ETNs (VXX and VXZ) and futures are different³ yet comparable. This study on all of them minimizes the chance of data snooping when proposing the behavioral explanation.

The main empirical findings can be summarized along two dimensions. First, contrary to earlier studies, I find a significant positive correlation between innovations in return and volatility for VIX products on daily basis. The positive relation turns negative when we move to more detailed intraday intervals. However, by using regression models similar to those of Bollerslev and Zhou (2006), the results are consistent with behavioral explanations of the relation, but not the leverage or volatility feedback explanations. The monotonic pattern of relation changing from positive to negative strengthens behavioral explanations.

Second, by comparing the results of multiple derivatives from VIX, I find the same relation change pattern in all of them as well as in VIX. This result implies that the negative relation at intraday is not because the derivatives are tradable when compared to VIX, but originates from the underlying VIX itself. This implies that there are further behavioral effects when market deals with fear, which itself has already been behavioral outcome (Hibbert, Daigler and Dupoyet, 2008) .

³ VIX futures represent market expectations to VIX, and may act quite differently from the VIX. VXX and VXZ ETNs are based on VIX futures of various maturities. More information is in the data section.

Taken as a whole, this research shows that there is more to the return–volatility relation than suggested by the established hypotheses. In particular, I show the lack of support for established leverage and volatility feedback theories concerning this relation, while the results are consistent only with behavioral explanations. In addition, I examine the characteristics of the relation using different instruments, across samples, for bear/bull market period separately.

2. The relation between returns and volatility

2.1. The leverage and volatility feedback hypotheses

Bollerslev et al. (2007) points out that most studies show a negative correlation between current return shocks and future volatility, and some of them illustrate that negative shocks is associated with a larger increase in volatility than positive ones. The prevailing theories on the negative return–volatility relation are the leverage hypothesis and the volatility feedback hypothesis. The leverage hypothesis states that when the value of a firm falls, its financial leverage increases as debt amount is hardly affected. Thus, the value of its equity becomes a smaller percentage of the firm’s total value, and thus bears more risks and volatility.

The volatility feedback hypothesis postulates that positive shocks to volatility come first to cause negative returns, with time-varying risk premiums as the link between changes in volatility and returns (Poterba and Summers, 1986). Campbell and Hentschel (1992) show theoretically that current stock prices (and hence returns) will fall to adjust to expected increase in future returns when volatility increases. Empirically, Campbell and Hentschel only find weak support for their volatility feedback hypothesis.

More empirical tests have been done on these hypotheses. Schwert (1989) examines the S&P 500 daily return–volatility relation and finds it is difficult for the leverage hypothesis to explain the observed associated negative relation. Figlewski and Wang (2001) and Bollerslev et al. (2006) show that decreasing prices’ impact on volatility is too large to be explained by financial leverage fluctuations alone. Glosten et al. (1993) and Engle and Ng (1993) apply various GARCH models with asymmetric coefficients to demonstrate volatility feedback hypothesis. Kim and Kon (1994), Tauchen et al. (1996), Andersen et al. (2001) and Dennis et al. (2006) show that the negative effect is more pronounced for market indexes than for individual stocks. Bekaert and Wu (2000) demonstrate that in Japanese stock market the volatility feedback hypothesis is more likely to generate an asymmetric response than would the leverage effect. Low (2004) finds that financial leverage is at best a weak explanation for the asymmetry. Between them, the leverage hypothesis has few supporters (see e.g. Low, 2004), while the volatility feedback hypothesis involves a complicated economic process that passes through expectations and dividends to validate the negative relation and only (weakly) explains the longer term return–volatility relation.

2.2. Behavioral explanation for the return–implied volatility relation

In contrast to the leverage and volatility feedback hypotheses which are based on firms’ fundamental value, Dennis et al. (2006) propose a behavior-based explanation, showing that the return–volatility relation is not a firm value phenomenon, but a market one. Hibbert , Daigler Dupoyet (2008) imply that short-term dynamic relation can be explained only with the behavioral explanation, as the leverage and volatility feedback theories are related to a longer-

term lagged effect between return and volatility. They also employ behavioral concepts based on Shefrin (2005, Chapter 18, 2007, Chapter 4)'s discussing about the negative return–risk relation in context of representativeness, affect, and extrapolation bias. Shefrin (2005, 2007) suggest that, based on survey results, managers and investors view high return and low risk to be representative of good investments, and thus associate negative returns with risks.

Such association provides a behavioral explanation for the negative relation between returns and volatilities— larger negative (positive) returns and larger (smaller) risk or volatility are viewed as related characteristics of market behavior, when people form emotional associations with activities. Finucane et al. (2000) suggests that such labels strongly affect people's decisions, which induce behavioral aspects of financial markets. Bollen and Whaley (2004) propose the price pressure argument that investors and dealers of options bid up put prices (for downside protection) in the fear of further losses during market downturns. Extrapolation bias also explains why a negative (positive) return would cause traders to increase (decrease) put option premiums.

Shefrin (1999) implies that positive returns induce the exuberance of potential additional increases in the market, while negative returns impose fears of additional declines in the market. Bakshi and Madan (2006) find that market crashes are significantly more severe and more likely to happen than rallies. They show that the probability of a daily stock market decline in excess of 5% is a non-negligible 0.25% for the past 100 years of daily Dow Jones Industrial Average prices. Considering the severe effect of market crash, it warrants investors' fear to market declines and invest with behavioral biases. Low (2004) suggests that a behavioral explanation could be the cause of the asymmetric effect of losses being associated with larger volatility

changes than are gains, but he does not relate his results to behavioral concepts and only examines the leverage effect to test the overall relation.

VIX as a fear index plays double role in this study. First, VIX itself measures the “fear of a crash” bias in the equity market, as detailed above. Second, I find behavioral biases embedded in VIX itself and its derivatives when traded as financial assets; they manifest negative relations between intraday returns and volatilities only, suggesting that behavioral biases could be universal.

3. Data

This study employs daily and intraday data from three volatility instruments: VIX index, VIX futures, and VIX ETNs including VXX and VXZ.

3.1. The VIX

According to Hibbert , Daigler Dupoyet (2008) , the Chicago Board Options Exchange’s (CBOE) VIX index is a implied volatility determined from market bid and ask prices of the S&P 500 index options. The VIX is calculated from all available stock index option bid and ask prices in the tradable range of these options, providing an estimate of expected stock market volatility for the subsequent 30 calendar days (about 21 trading days). A new method of VIX calculation is adopted in September 2003, which is based on options on the S&P 500 index, uses options across the tradable range of all strike prices possessing both a bid and ask price, and is independent of any option-pricing model. These features have increased the practical

attractiveness of the VIX, since the S&P 500 is the core index of equities in the United States, and the new calculation procedure provides a more robust measure of expected volatility along with option implied volatility skew. In contrast, the original VIX version of 1993, now disseminated under the new ticker symbol VXO, is based on the S&P 100 index, considers only near-the-money options, and is calculated using the implied volatilities obtained from the Black–Scholes option-pricing model. I employ reconstructed values for the new VIX back to 1998.

3.2. VIX Futures

The daily futures data is downloaded from CBOE futures exchange (CFE). I rollover the monthly VIX futures contracts to get a contract of continuous returns. Next month's contract is taken when its volume surpasses that of the current one. VIX Futures provide a pure play on implied volatility and its term-structure almost independent of the direction and level of stock prices. VIX futures may also provide an effective way to hedge equity downside risks, to diversify portfolios, and to profit from implied *vs.* realized volatility spread.

3.3. VIX ETNs: VXX and VXZ

In addition to VIX futures which are remote to small investors, there are ETNs based on VIX futures and traded like stocks on NYSE. VXX, the iPath S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures ETN starts to trade on 01/30/2009. Its daily volume reaches above 3 million in January 2010, and skyrockets to over 20 million in April 2011. VXZ is its mid-term counterpart with a daily

volume around 1 million in April 2011. Their daily data are collected from Commodity Systems, Inc (CSI).

Just like VIX futures, VXX and VXZ allow investor to buy volatility. Actually, they do not directly track VIX, but VIX futures indexes. VXX follows the S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures Index®, which is daily rolled to long the first and second month VIX futures. At every trading day's close, a proportion of investment on the first month VIX futures will be sold to buy the second month futures according to the ratio of the two contracts' days to maturity. Thus at the maturity day of the first contract, investment to it will be sold out and all goes to the second contract. On the following day, investment will start to partially flow from the full-invested contract to the next contract with even longer maturity. VXZ follows the same rolling method, except money flows into and rolls among all next four contracts in proportion to each contract's days to maturity. Thus VXX and VXZ allow investing on VIX term-structures in addition to current VIX level.

3.4. Intraday ETNs and futures data

Intraday (15-min, 5-min and 1-min) VXX, VXZ, and futures data are downloaded from Interactive Brokers LLC. from January 2010 through April 2011. I also check one month data of the sample against Fidelity's intraday data for quality purpose, and no discrepancy is noticed between them.

I do not have full intraday data for all VIX futures contracts from January 2010 to May 2011. To address the missing data issue, I randomly select one day data for each current futures

contract and compare its 1-min data with those of VXX on the same day. Results show that VXX and VIX futures are highly correlated at 1-min interval with a coefficient of 93%. The similarity is not unexpected as, on intraday basis, there is no roll-over yield kicking in between VXX and futures, unlike the over-night difference due to daily rollover at market close.

4. Methodology

This paper applies a method similar to Bollerslev and Zhou (2006) and Hibbert , Daigler Dupoyet (2008) via the regression below.

$$\Delta \text{Vol}_t = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 R_t + \alpha_2 R_{t-1} + \alpha_3 R_{t-2} + \alpha_4 R_{t-3} + \alpha_7 \Delta \text{Vol}_{t-1} + \alpha_8 \Delta \text{Vol}_{t-2} + \alpha_9 \Delta \text{Vol}_{t-3} + \varepsilon_t \quad (1)$$

In this model, returns R_t 's coefficient α_1 captures the contemporaneous relation between returns and volatility, and we focus on its sign and significance. Other coefficients α_i shows lagged relations. Hibbert , Daigler Dupoyet (2008) also suggests that significant lagged volatility changes (α_7 to α_9) are indicative of behavioral effect. I run regress on daily, 15-min, 5-min, 1-min data for VXX, VXZ, VIX futures and VIX, and compare coefficients across intervals and instruments.

5. Results

5.1. Summary statistics

Table 1 presents statistical properties of each financial instruments (VXX, VXZ, VIX Futures and VIX) 's daily volatility Vol, volatility percent change ΔVol , and its return R_t . It

shows VIX futures are close to VIX in terms of Vol and R_t , while it has a larger ΔVol . VXZ's Vol and R_t are about half of those of VXX's respectively, which in turn are about half of VIX and VIX futures's. VXZ and VIX futures have comparable ΔVol .

5.2. The relation between returns and volatility for daily data

Table 2 shows surprising results for daily regression of the four VIX instruments: VXX, VXZ, VIX Futures and VIX. In contrast to previous studies displaying negative returns-volatility relation, it demonstrates positive relation in all of them. For period of May 3, 2010 through April 29, 2011 which is compatible with our intraday data sample, t -statistics of R_t are between 2.4 and 4.85 with VXZ has the least of 2.42, while none of the lagged R_{t-1} to R_{t-3} is significant. For more data going back as far as January 1998⁴, similar positive relation is found for VXX, VIX futures and VIX (Panel B). Now VXZ's R_t is marginally significant (t -statistic 1.71) and some of the lagged ΔVol are positive and significant.

Even though VIX itself is negatively related to S&P500 returns (Hibbert, Daigler, and Dupoyet, 2008), this relation does not apply to VIX's returns and volatility at all. Obviously, the leverage and volatility feedback hypotheses are not effective here as we identify no negative relation. Furthermore, the fundamental properties of them imply there is no possibility of *inverse* leverage or *inverse* volatility feedback to address the positive relation⁵.

⁴ As shown in the summary statistics part, VXX is liquid after January 2010, VXZ after March 2010, and VIX futures after January 2000. VIX itself does not have volumes to measure liquidity, and we its data since January 1998 as in Hibbert, Daigler, and Dupoyet (2008).

⁵ We cannot state that, as financial assets, VXX, VXZ, and VX futures' positive returns have similar economic benefits as increases in volatility, according to return-risk premium relation in finance.

5.3. The relation between returns and volatility for intraday data

Table 3 provides results for intraday (15-min, 5-min and 1-min) regressions. In contrast to daily results in Table 2, intraday VXX, VXZ displays negative returns and volatility relation, and implies that such negative relation is getting stronger from 15-min to 1-min, with monotonically decreasing R_t t -statistics (from -1.67 to -3.03 for VXX, and from -2.81 to -4.15 for VXZ). VIX's R_t follow a similar trend of decreasing t -statistics. While its 15-min (t -statistic 2.18) and 5-min results still have positive relation as daily data does, 1-min data begin to exhibit negative relation. No significant negative relation is found for lagged returns R_{t-1} to R_{t-3} , which is inconsistent with leverage or volatility feedback hypotheses.

Lagged volatility change ΔVol_{t-1} is significant at all intraday intervals for VXX and VXZ, while mostly not for daily data. ΔVol_{t-2} and ΔVol_{t-3} are mainly significant at 5-min and 1-min intervals⁶. These are signs of behavioral effect according to our model.

5.4. Results summary and robustness check

Taken daily and intraday results together, we can identify a clear decreasing relation (from positive to negative) between returns and volatility from larger to smaller interval. Either leverage or volatility feedback models can explain the intraday negative relation (Hibbert, Daigler, and Dupoyet, 2008), let alone an increasingly stronger negative one in shorter intervals.

⁶ 5-min data have the most significant ΔVol than daily, 15-min and 1-min. This may suggest a behavioral time span around 5 minutes, as behaviors take time to form.

A more stark comparison is between VIX and VXX/VXZ, VIX's positive relation is getting weaker when intervals move from daily down to 1-min. This implies that the negative relation is not because VXX and VXZ are tradable when compared to VIX, but originates from the underlying VIX⁷.

For robustness check, we separate from the whole data sample the bear market period of May 3, 2010 through July 2, 2010, which is the only bear market with length over 1 month since March 2009. Table 4 shows that at daily and 15-min: all four products' relations are negative, and none is significant with VXX's R_t has the lowest t -statistic -1.3. However, 1-min intervals are negative and significant. Sample other than the bear period display similar relation trend.

Based on these results we conclude that neither leverage nor volatility feedback hypothesis is consistent with intraday-only contemporaneous negative return–volatility results. These theories suggest that the negative relation should exist from returns to volatility over a long lag time, not contemporaneously, as shown above. However, the significance of lagged volatility changes' effect supports the behavioral extrapolation bias.

6. Summary and conclusions

This paper examines the short-term relationship of ETNs and futures on VIX—the implied volatility index, also known as the fear index. As these instruments' prices are derived from volatility, it is worthwhile to test if such relationship exists. I find that there is no negative relation for VIX ETNs or futures on daily basis, while it exists for intraday 5-min and 1-min data.

⁷ I am collecting 15-sec, 30-sec VIX data to prove this.

Similar to Hibbert, Daigler and Dupoyet (2008), this paper shows that the negative association of return to changes in implied volatility is consistent with behavioral explanations of this phenomenon, while the leverage and volatility feedback models do not explain short-term only negative relation or relation changes from daily positive to intraday negative one.

Table 1

Statistical properties of the daily data

	Vol_t	$\Delta\text{Vol}_t(\%)$	$R_t(\%)$
VXX mean	11.5	0.41	0.57
VXX std. dev.	4.41	7.48	3.58
VXZ mean	5.92	0.21	0.12
VXZ std. dev.	2.53	7.85	1.89
VIX Futures mean	23.3	0.29	0.25
VIX Future std. dev.	10.7	8.74	7.34
VIX mean	19.9	0.18	0.21
VIX std. dev.	6.59	6.19	6.01

The Vol_t is the annualized historical 21-day volatility calculated from daily close prices, and ΔVol_t is its daily percent change. R_t is the daily return on each ticker.

All tickers' data end on April 29, 2011. The sample period for the VIX begins from January 1998, VIX futures from January 2000, VXX from January 2010, and VXZ from March 2010.

Table 2

Regression results for VIX instruments' daily data

	Intercept	R_t	R_{t-1}	R_{t-2}	R_{t-3}	ΔVol_{t-1}	ΔVol_{t-2}	ΔVol_{t-3}
<i>Panel A: Data 05/03/2010-04/29/2011</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	-0.24 (-0.38)	85.1 (4.38)	-28.2 (-1.36)	26.3 (1.29)	6.51 (0.32)	12.2 (1.37)	9.34 (1.07)	18.5 (2.13)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.11 (0.15)	97.5 (2.42)	-61.1 (-1.46)	41.4 (1.00)	1.69 (0.04)	14.87 (1.63)	16.1 (1.79)	7.32 (0.83)
VIX Futures (10^{-2})	0.33 (0.57)	69.5 (4.85)	-6.81 (-0.45)	6.69 (0.44)	26.7 (1.77)	-0.11 (-0.01)	-2.26 (-0.25)	-4.96 (-0.51)
VIX (10^{-2})	-0.12 (-0.19)	33.7 (3.60)	-5.13 (-0.54)	13.2 (1.39)	9.72 (1.02)	5.76 (0.64)	17.3 (1.98)	10.8 (1.22)
<i>Panel B: More data since date¹</i>								
VXX (01/10) (10^{-2})	-0.05 (-0.11)	34.5 (2.96)	10.2 (0.86)	10.3 (0.87)	6.78 (0.58)	0.62 (0.11)	12.6 (2.25)	8.59 (1.53)
VXZ (03/10) (10^{-2})	0.08 (0.16)	41.4 (1.71)	15.1 (0.61)	13.9 (0.56)	15.9 (0.65)	7.83 (1.30)	11.8 (1.96)	5.13 (0.85)
VIX Futures (01/00) (10^{-2})	0.21 (1.47)	6.82 (3.36)	7.58 (3.71)	4.91 (2.39)	3.11 (1.53)	9.98 (5.31)	1.71 (0.91)	2.23 (1.19)
VIX (01/98) (10^{-2})	0.13 (1.18)	8.45 (4.46)	8.85 (4.64)	5.65 (2.96)	5.88 (3.09)	4.7 (2.71)	3.03 (1.74)	3.45 (2.00)

Note¹: Data's start date is in the first bracket following the instrument name.

Table 3

Regression results of intraday data for period 05/03/2010 through 04/29/2011

	Intercept	R_t	R_{t-1}	R_{t-2}	R_{t-3}	ΔVol_{t-1}	ΔVol_{t-2}	ΔVol_{t-3}
<i>Panel A: 15-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	1.01 (3.64)	-71.45 (-1.67)	28.01 (0.65)	8.68 (0.21)	36.79 (0.86)	3.47 (2.11)	1.41 (0.86)	-0.17 (-0.10)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.9 (3.57)	-196 (-2.81)	98.7 (1.41)	17.6 (0.25)	89.8 (1.29)	4.83 (3.02)	4.18 (2.61)	-0.44 (-0.28)
VIX (10^{-2})	1.55 (4.10)	65.4 (2.18)	13.9 (0.47)	12.4 (0.41)	14 (0.47)	3.23 (2.04)	2.06 (1.30)	2.51 (1.59)
<i>Panel B: 5-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	0.64 (4.46)	-71 (-1.92)	6.71 (0.18)	-21.7 (-0.59)	13.9 (0.38)	3.4 (3.27)	2.4 (2.31)	2.68 (2.58)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.67 (4.76)	-229 (-3.61)	49.78 (0.78)	-4.74 (-0.07)	22.59 (0.36)	4.61 (4.45)	2.54 (2.45)	3.05 (2.94)
VIX (10^{-2})	1.47 (-7.02)	35.5 (1.22)	-1.59 (-0.05)	-12.9 (-0.44)	-1.46 (-0.05)	3.1 (3.39)	1.88 (2.06)	2.24 (2.47)
<i>Panel C: 1-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	0.44 (4.79)	-78.9 (-3.03)	42.5 (1.63)	16.5 (0.63)	18.9 (0.72)	0.53 (2.68)	1.59 (2.04)	1.37 (1.76)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.54 (4.06)	-210 (-4.15)	39.2 (0.71)	10.1 (0.23)	11.9 (0.22)	4.05 (3.72)	1.38 (1.92)	1.65 (1.48)
VIX (10^{-2})	1.67 (-1.72)	-2.15 (-0.01)	-2.18 (-0.01)	-2.17 (-0.01)	-2.14 (-0.01)	-0.01 (-0.00)	-0.01 (-0.00)	-0.01 (-0.00)

Table 4

Regression results for bear period of 05/03/2010-07/02/2010

	Intercept	R_t	R_{t-1}	R_{t-2}	R_{t-3}	ΔVol_{t-1}	ΔVol_{t-2}	ΔVol_{t-3}
<i>Panel A: Daily Data¹</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	0.00609 (0.49)	-0.2904 (-1.30)	0.15045 (0.69)	-0.0434 (-0.20)	0.11444 (0.55)	0.21546 (1.32)	-0.0885 (-0.54)	0.22835 (1.49)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.01127 (0.59)	-0.1648 (-0.25)	1.0196 (1.63)	-0.026 (-0.04)	0.15027 (0.23)	0.04589 (0.26)	0.08398 (0.47)	0.02285 (0.14)
VIX Futures (10^{-2})	-0.01227 (-1.04)	-0.02019 (-0.29)	0.15317 (2.18)	0.15546 (2.11)	0.008824 (0.13)	0.17356 (0.95)	0.38146 (2.22)	0.066705 (0.40)
VIX (10^{-2})	0.02285 (0.71)	-0.184 (-0.81)	0.306 (1.42)	0.02945 (0.14)	0.00891 (0.04)	-0.0254 (-0.14)	0.23059 (1.37)	-0.0095 (-0.06)
<i>Panel B: 15-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	1.15 (1.87)	-24.6 (-0.4)	-4.76 (-0.08)	-23.8 (-0.40)	48.7 (0.81)	0.86 (0.25)	-3.35 (-0.98)	2.68 (-0.78)
VXZ (10^{-2})	1.07 (1.70)	-38.9 (-0.22)	-72.5 (-0.41)	9.01 (0.05)	221 (1.27)	2.39 (0.59)	0.21 (0.05)	-9.24 (-2.26)
VIX (10^{-2})	1.18 (1.93)	-26.5 (-0.77)	10.5 (-0.3)	-7.69 (-0.22)	20.1 (0.59)	3.89 (1.14)	-3.83 (-1.11)	1.68 (0.48)
<i>Panel C: 5-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	0.91 (2.45)	237 (1.99)	-10.9 (-0.37)	24.1 (1.66)	145 (1.16)	2.06 (1.10)	2.28 (1.78)	1.73 (0.98)

VXZ (10^{-2})	0.87 (2.46)	326 (1.94)	-54.3 (-0.32)	-21.4 (-0.13)	203 (1.21)	2.63 (1.13)	3.75 (1.61)	1.53 (0.66)
VIX (10^{-2})	0.88 (2.64)	47.15 (1.31)	-17.33 (-0.47)	49.5 (1.36)	45.3 (1.26)	1.95 (1.00)	1.79 (0.92)	1.51 (0.71)
<i>Panel D: 1-Min Data</i>								
VXX (10^{-2})	0.44 (4.79)	-78.9 (-3.03)	42.5 (1.63)	16.5 (0.63)	18.9 (0.72)	0.53 (0.68)	1.59 (2.04)	1.37 (1.76)
VXZ (10^{-2})	0.34 (4.01)	-62.1 (-2.03)	40.3 (1.22)	17.2 (0.49)	15.1 (0.65)	0.79 (0.59)	1.76 (2.00)	1.25 (1.68)
VIX (10^{-2})	0.38 (3.69)	-65.8 (-2.51)	57.6 (1.99)	13.6 (0.44)	17.8 (0.60)	0.73 (0.55)	1.02 (1.91)	1.65 (1.66)

Note¹: Since the volatility is calculated from 21-period data, the real data sample begins on 04/05/2010. I also adjust data in the same way for 15-min and 5-min regressions.

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