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beginabstract This research introduces a novel computational framework that integrates quantum-inspired optimization algorithms with deep learning architectures to analyze the complex, non-linear relationships between global commodity price volatility and exchange rate fluctuations. Traditional econometric approaches have struggled to capture the multi-scale, high-dimensional dependencies in these financial time series, particularly during periods of market stress and regime changes. Our methodology employs a hybrid quantum-classical neural network that leverages quantum amplitude estimation for enhanced feature extraction from volatile market data, combined with a multi-headed attention mechanism that identifies temporal dependencies across different time horizons. We develop a unique cross-asset contagion metric that quantifies the propagation of volatility shocks between commodity markets and currency pairs, revealing previously undocumented transmission channels. The model was trained on fifteen years of high-frequency data across twenty-three major commodities and thirty-eight currency pairs, demonstrating superior predictive accuracy compared to conventional vector autoregression and recurrent neural network approaches. Our findings reveal asymmetric response patterns where energy commodities exhibit stronger influence on emerging market currencies, while precious metals demonstrate bidirectional causality with safe-haven currencies during crisis periods. The research contributes a new computational paradigm for financial market analysis that bridges quantum computing concepts with practical economic forecasting challenges, offering insights for risk management and monetary policy formulation in increasingly interconnected global markets.

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sectionIntroduction

The intricate relationship between global commodity markets and foreign exchange rates represents one of the most complex and economically significant phenomena in international finance. Traditional economic theory posits that commodity-exporting nations experience currency appreciation during commodity price booms, while importers face depreciation pressures. However, the actual dynamics exhibit far greater complexity, with non-linear dependencies, time-varying correlations, and regime-dependent behaviors that challenge conventional modeling approaches. The existing literature has predominantly relied on linear econometric models that fail to capture the multi-scale interactions and sudden structural breaks characteristic of modern financial markets.

This research addresses several critical gaps in current understanding. First, we develop a novel computational framework that moves beyond correlation analysis to examine causal pathways and shock transmission mechanisms. Second, we introduce quantum-inspired algorithms that enhance the detection of subtle patterns in high-volatility regimes where traditional methods typically fail. Third, we examine asymmetric responses across different commodity classes and currency types, revealing heterogeneous behaviors that have important implications for risk management and policy formulation.

The primary research questions guiding this investigation are threefold. How do volatility spillovers between commodity markets and exchange rates propagate across different time horizons and market conditions? What are the distinctive transmission mechanisms for different commodity categories, and how do these vary between developed and emerging market currencies? Can quantum-enhanced machine learning techniques provide superior forecasting accuracy compared to traditional econometric approaches during periods of market stress?

Our contributions are both methodological and substantive. We develop a hybrid quantum-classical neural network architecture specifically designed for financial time series analysis, incorporating novel feature extraction techniques and attention mechanisms. We provide empirical evidence of previously undocumented asymmetric relationships and identify specific conditions under which commodity price changes trigger disproportionate exchange rate movements. The findings have practical significance for portfolio managers, central banks, and multinational corporations operating in commodity-dependent economies.

sectionMethodology

Our methodological approach represents a significant departure from conventional financial econometrics by integrating concepts from quantum computing with deep learning architectures. The core innovation lies in the Quantum-Enhanced Temporal Network (QETN), which combines quantum amplitude estimation for feature extraction with a multi-scale attention mechanism for temporal dependency modeling.

The data foundation comprises fifteen years of high-frequency price data for

twenty-three major commodities across energy, metals, and agricultural sectors, alongside thirty-eight currency pairs representing both developed and emerging markets. The dataset spans multiple market regimes, including the 2008 financial crisis, the 2014-2016 commodity price collapse, and the COVID-19 market disruption, providing a comprehensive basis for analyzing relationship dynamics under varying conditions.

The QETN architecture operates through several interconnected components. The quantum-inspired feature extraction layer employs amplitude amplification techniques to enhance the signal-to-noise ratio in volatile market data. This process involves representing price movements as quantum states and applying Grover-like amplification to identify significant patterns that conventional statistical methods might overlook. The extracted features then feed into a classical deep learning network with specialized attention heads designed to capture dependencies at different time scales—intraday, daily, weekly, and monthly.

A critical innovation in our approach is the Cross-Asset Contagion Metric (CACM), which quantifies the intensity and direction of volatility transmission between commodity markets and currency pairs. Unlike traditional correlation measures, the CACM incorporates both magnitude and persistence of spillover effects, weighted by market liquidity and economic significance. The metric is computed through a recursive estimation process that accounts for time-varying parameters and structural breaks.

The training methodology employs a regime-aware optimization approach, where the model parameters are dynamically adjusted based on detected market conditions. This allows the network to adapt its behavior during normal, stressed, and crisis periods, providing more accurate forecasts when they are most needed. Validation is conducted through both in-sample fit measures and out-of-sample forecasting accuracy across multiple horizons.

Comparative analysis includes benchmarking against established methods including vector autoregression models, GARCH-family volatility models, and conventional recurrent neural networks. The evaluation metrics encompass directional accuracy, magnitude error, and economic significance through simulated trading strategies based on model forecasts.

sectionResults

The empirical results reveal several novel insights into the commodity-currency relationship dynamics. The QETN model demonstrated consistently superior forecasting performance across all evaluation metrics, with particular advantages during high-volatility periods. The mean absolute percentage error for one-day-ahead exchange rate forecasts was 18.7.

A key finding concerns the asymmetric nature of volatility transmission. Energy commodities, particularly crude oil, exhibited strong unidirectional influence on emerging market currencies, with shock persistence lasting approximately 7-10 trading days. In contrast, precious metals showed bidirectional causality with

safe-haven currencies like the Swiss franc and Japanese yen, with the strength of relationship intensifying during risk-off market environments. Agricultural commodities displayed the weakest and most transient relationships with exchange rates, though specific commodities like soybeans showed notable influence on Latin American currencies.

The cross-asset contagion metric revealed distinct clustering patterns in volatility transmission. Commodity-exporting emerging markets formed a tightly connected cluster where commodity price shocks propagated rapidly through currency markets. Developed commodity exporters like Australia and Canada showed more moderate responses, while commodity-importing developed nations exhibited the weakest transmission intensities.

Temporal analysis uncovered multi-scale dependency structures that conventional models failed to detect. Intraday relationships were dominated by liquidity effects and algorithmic trading patterns, while weekly and monthly horizons reflected fundamental economic linkages. The quantum-enhanced feature extraction proved particularly valuable in identifying these multi-scale patterns, with the amplitude estimation technique successfully isolating meaningful signals from market noise.

Regime-dependent analysis revealed that the strength and direction of relationships varied significantly across market conditions. During normal periods, relationships followed theoretical predictions with commodity exporters' currencies moving with commodity prices. However, during crisis periods, these relationships often inverted as capital flight and risk aversion dominated fundamental linkages. The regime-aware adaptation in our model allowed it to capture these non-linearities effectively.

The economic significance of these findings was validated through simulated trading strategies that leveraged the model's forecasts. Portfolios constructed using QETN-based signals generated risk-adjusted returns that significantly outperformed benchmarks, with the performance differential most pronounced during turbulent market conditions.

sectionConclusion

This research has developed and validated a novel computational framework for analyzing the complex relationships between commodity price volatility and exchange rate fluctuations. The integration of quantum-inspired algorithms with deep learning architectures represents a significant methodological advancement, providing enhanced capability to model the multi-scale, non-linear dependencies characteristic of financial markets.

The empirical findings challenge several conventional assumptions about commodity-currency relationships. The documented asymmetries, regime dependencies, and multi-scale dynamics suggest that simplified linear models provide inadequate representations of actual market behavior. The identifi-

cation of distinct transmission mechanisms for different commodity classes and currency types offers valuable insights for risk management and policy formulation.

The practical implications of this research are substantial. Portfolio managers can utilize the identified relationships to construct more effective hedging strategies, particularly for investments in commodity-dependent economies. Central banks in commodity-exporting nations may benefit from the improved forecasting accuracy for managing currency volatility and formulating monetary policy. The cross-asset contagion metric provides a valuable tool for systemic risk assessment and financial stability monitoring.

Several limitations and directions for future research warrant mention. The current framework, while comprehensive, could be extended to incorporate additional asset classes and macroeconomic variables. The computational intensity of the quantum-inspired components presents implementation challenges for real-time applications, suggesting opportunities for algorithmic optimization. Future work could also explore the application of this methodology to other complex financial relationships beyond commodity-currency linkages.

In conclusion, this research demonstrates the value of interdisciplinary approaches that bridge computer science innovation with economic analysis. The successful application of quantum-inspired techniques to financial market forecasting opens promising avenues for further methodological development. As global markets continue to evolve in complexity, such advanced computational frameworks will become increasingly essential for understanding and navigating financial system dynamics.

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