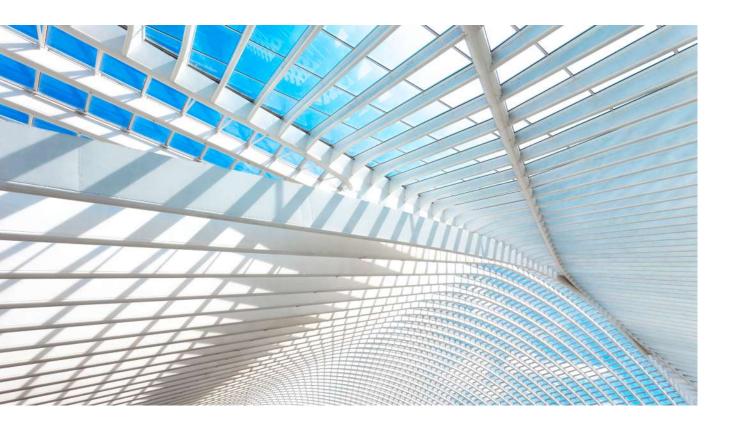
S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index

A Dynamic, Rules-Based Approach to Managing Volatility While Tracking U.S. Equity Markets



For years, large financial institutions have used momentum signals and futures contracts to capitalize on market trends. Leveraging futures has historically allowed many institutions to enhance liquidity and increase potential upside in certain market environments. Today, innovations in indexing are democratizing access to low-cost, sophisticated futures strategies built on rules-based index platforms.

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The <u>S&P U.S.</u> Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index **(SPUMP40)** (hereafter referred to as the "Index") seeks to measure the performance of a long-only, trend-following strategy that allocates to E-mini S&P 500 Futures, E-mini Nasdaq 100 Futures and E-mini Russell 2000 Futures, less a decrement of 4% per year. The Index may be leveraged up to four times to achieve the 40% volatility target.

What Are the Potential Benefits of the Index?

- 1. Dynamic equity allocation
- 2. Upside potential
- 3. Volatility control
- 4. Liquidity
- 5. Diversification

What's Inside the Index?

The Index seeks to track a broad and diverse mix of U.S. equity futures:

E-mini S&P 500 Futures
Large-cap U.S. equities

Nasdaq 100 Futures	
Large-cap U.S. growth equities	

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E-mini Russell 2000 Futures
Small-cap U.S. equities

How Does the Index Work?

There are three key steps used to calculate the index:

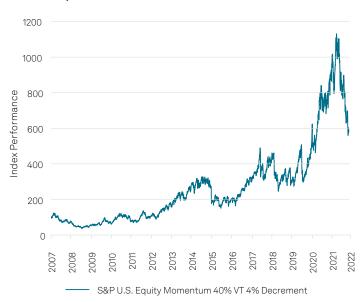
Step 1	Select the constituent U.S. equity futures using the momentum signal
Step 2	Determine the exposure to meet the 40% volatility target
Step 3	Apply a 4% decrement overlay

How Has the Index Performed?

- Since August 2007, the Index generated a 12.51% annualized return and a 0.28 Sharpe ratio.
- The long-term average exposure of the Index was 2.8x.
- The Index's back-tested maximum drawdowns were not substantially different from the benchmarks' maximum drawdowns, despite the 40% volatility target and leverage.

Exhibit 1: Historical Performance Profile of the Index (Using Excess Return)

Characteristic	S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index
Return (Annualized, %)	
12-Month	-29.19
3-Year	20.21
5-Year	15.15
Full Period	12.51
Volatility (Annualized, %)	
Full Period	44.25
Other Characteristics	
Full-Period Sharpe Ratio	0.28
Maximum Yearly Drawdown (%)	-57.38



Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. Data from Aug. 24, 2007 to June 30, 2022. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Index performance based on excess return in USD. The S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index was launched March 14, 2022. All data prior to the index launch is back-tested hypothetical data. Charts and tables are provided for illustrative purposes and reflect hypothetical historical performance. Please see the Performance Disclosure at the end of this document for more information regarding the inherent limitations associated with back-tested performance.

How Does the Momentum Signal Work?

The Index weight **shifts dynamically** between its three futures components based on a built-in **momentum signal**. On a **daily basis**, the Index **divides its allocation evenly** between the underlying index futures with the **highest risk-adjusted momentum scores**.



^{*~}one month; **~two months; ***~five months

The average prices and volatility are calculated such that a larger weight is given to more recent data points. Furthermore, the risk-adjusted momentum score is updated daily to be reactive but also smoothed to avoid too frequent allocation changes.

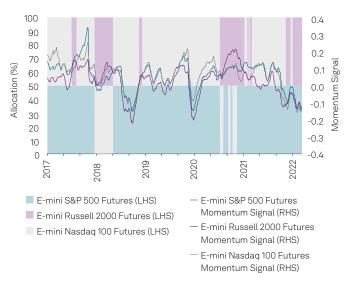
Once the respective risk-adjusted momentum scores have been calculated, the unlevered weight to the component futures are set as follows:

If the 1st and 2^{nd} constituents > 3^{rd} constituent, 1st = 50%, 2^{nd} = 50%, 3^{rd} = 0%*

Exhibit 2: The Long-Term and Short-Term Average Prices for the S&P 500 E-mini Futures and Its Overall Momentum Signal

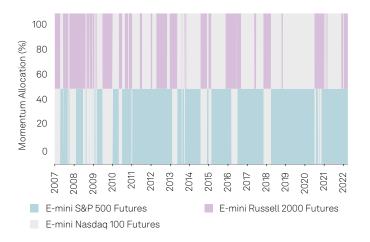


Exhibit 3: The Momentum Signals and Allocations for Each of the Component Futures over the Past Five Years



March 31, 2017 to June 30, 2022.

Exhibit 4: The Allocations for Each of the Component Futures over the Full Simulation Period



Data from Aug. 24, 2007 to June 30, 2022.

Data from March 31, 2017 to June 30, 2022.

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^{*}Subject to tied outcome constraints.

How Does the Decrement Work?

A decrement is an overlay applied to the S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT Index. It is constructed by periodically deducting a fixed 4% per year after leverage.

For more information on the decrement, please refer to the <u>methodology</u>, as well as our paper titled "A Guide to S&P Decrement Indices."

How Does the Volatility Target Work?

On a daily basis, the Index adjusts the overall exposure with the goal of achieving a 40% volatility target, subject to a 4x (400%) leverage cap. This means in a higher volatility environment, the Index will take less exposure to the underlying index futures. Conversely, as volatility falls, the Index will take more exposure to the underlying index futures (up to the maximum limit of 400%).

What Is the Exposure of the Index in Different Market Conditions?

	Realized Volatility	Futures Exposure
When volatility goes up, the index decreases its allocation to the equity futures.	50%	80%
	40%	100%
When volatility goes down, the index increases its allocation to the equity futures, up to a leveraged allocation of 400%.	20%	200%
	8%	400% (capped)

The Index has fluctuated between periods of low exposure (when volatility is high) and high exposure (when volatility is low). The long-term average exposure of the index was 2.8x, and the exposure has been capped at 4x levered at several points in time (see Exhibit 5). Over the long term, the Index had a realized volatility of 44.25% (see Exhibit 6).

Exhibit 5: Historical Volatility

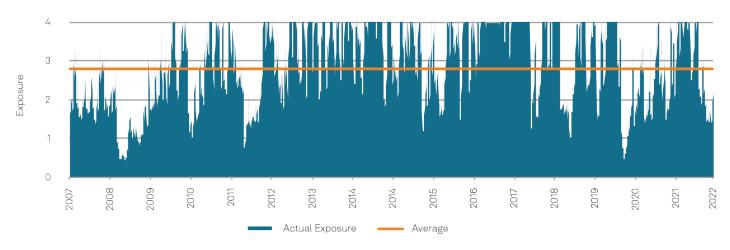
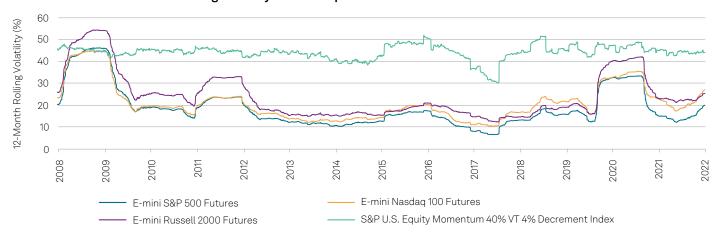
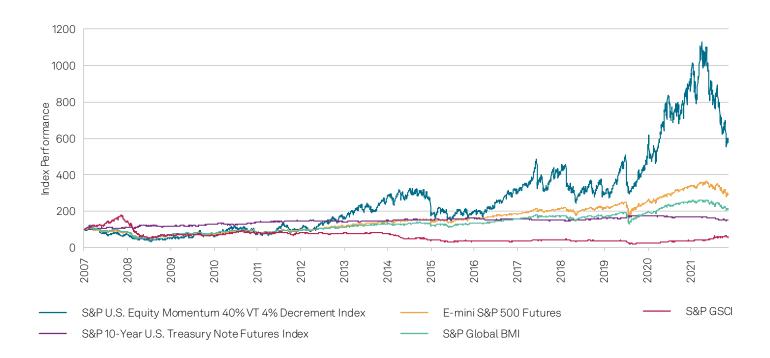


Exhibit 6: Historical 12-Month Rolling Volatility of the Component Index Futures and Overall Index



Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. Data as of June 30, 2022. The S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index was launched March 14, 2022. All data prior to the index launch is back-tested hypothetical data. Chart is provided for illustrative purposes and reflects hypothetical historical performance. Please see the Performance Disclosure at the end of this document for more information regarding the inherent limitations associated with back-tested performance.

Exhibit 7: Historical Performance Profile of the Index and Other Benchmarks (Using Excess Return)



Characteristic	S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index	E-mini S&P 500 Futures	S&P 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures Index	S&P Global BMI	S&P GSCI		
Return (Annualized, %)							
12-Month	-29.19	-11.18	-9.27	-16.75	44.51		
3-Year	20.21	9.53	-1.54	5.80	14.04		
5-Year	15.15	9.62	-0.38	6.25	10.46		
Full Period	12.51	7.42	2.93	5.06	-3.64		
Volatility (Annualized, %)							
Full Period	44.25	20.75	5.84	17.34	24.15		
Other Characteristics	Other Characteristics						
Full-Period Sharpe Ratio	0.28	0.36	0.50	0.29	-0.15		
Maximum Yearly Drawdown (%)	-57.38	-49.55	-8.41	-52.72	-67.75		
Full-Period Correlation to S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index	100	80	-32	71	29		

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Exhibit 8: Historical Performance Profile of the Index (Using Excess Return)

		Annualized Volatility (%)	Sharpe Ratio	Maximum Drawdown (%)
2008	-50.86	45.79	-1.11	-57.38
2009	23.69	42.82	0.55	-32.76
2010	66.81	44.24	1.51	-38.13
2011	-24.29	45.64	-0.53	-43.83
2012	39.44	44	0.90	-35.38
2013	117.98	41.06	2.87	-17.67
2014	23.39	40.28	0.58	-21.71
2015	-32.31	48.21	-0.67	-48.74
2016	7.31	45.49	0.16	-26.22
2017	76.21	30.62	2.49	-11.74
2018	-27.93	51.33	-0.54	-50.05
2019	54.42	41.94	1.30	-27.56
2020	65.08	47.57	1.37	-41.62
2021	57.37	44.25	1.30	-21.94
Since 2007	12.51	44.25	0.28	-71.53
7-Year Trailing	10.80	44.74	0.24	-51.20
5-Year Trailing	15.15	44.90	0.34	-50.59
3-Year Trailing	20.21	45.34	0.45	-50.59
1-Year Trailing	-29.19	43.96	-0.66	-50.59

Exhibit 9: Performance Profile of the Index versus the Three Underlying Rolling Futures

Characteristic	S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index	E-mini S&P 500 Futures	E-mini Nasdaq 100 Futures	E-mini Russell 2000 Futures
Return (Annualized, %)				
12-Month	-29.19	-11.18	-20.92	-25.53
3-Year	20.21	9.53	14.32	3.46
5-Year	15.15	9.62	14.66	3.82
Full-Period	12.51	7.42	12.47	6.18
Volatility (Annualized, %)				
Full Period	44.25	20.75	22.79	26.26
Other Characteristics				
Full-Period Sharpe Ratio	0.28	0.36	0.55	0.24
Maximum Yearly Drawdown (%)	-57.38	-49.55	-51.20	-50.27
Full-Period Correlation to S&P U.S. Equity Momentum 40% VT 4% Decrement Index (%)	100	80	82	78

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