

# GARCH processes

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## ARCH(p) MODEL

Assume:  $Z_t \sim \text{iid}(0, 1)$

$$\alpha_0 > 0, \alpha_p > 0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{p-1} \geq 0$$

$$X_t = \sigma_t \cdot Z_t$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i X_{t-i}^2 \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Define  $V_t = \sigma_t^2 (Z_t^2 - 1)$ ,  $\ell(z) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i z^i$

$$\Rightarrow \ell(B) X_t^2 = \alpha_0 + V_t$$

So, ARCH(p) process squared ( $X_t^2$ ) can be viewed as AR(p) process with noise which is not iid.

EXE 3) If  $E\sigma_0^4 < \infty$ ,  $Ez_0^4 < \infty$ , show that  $(V_t)$  is white noise.

It turned out that ARCH(p) do not fit log-returns very well unless p is large  $\rightarrow$  idea: add MA part to recursion

## GARCH(p, q) MODEL

Assume:  $Z_t \sim \text{iid}(0, 1)$

$$X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$$

$$\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_p, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q \geq 0 \quad \& \quad \alpha_0, \alpha_p, \beta_q > 0$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \sum_1^p \alpha_i X_{t-i}^2 + \sum_1^q \beta_j \sigma_{t-j}^2 \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

### EXAMPLE 2 (GARCH(1,1))

Note

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_t^2 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \\ &= \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 Z_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1) \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

↑ SRE again

From thm 1  $\Rightarrow$  GARCH(1,1) has  
 unique, causal, stationary solution  
 iff  $E \log(\alpha_1 z_{t+1}^2 + \beta_1) < 0$

IGARCH (integrated GARCH) is

GARCH(p,q) process with

$$\sum_1^p \alpha_j + \sum_1^q \beta_i = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  infinite variance ??  
 of stat. solution ??

$\left\{ \right.$  estimators of  $\alpha$ 's,  $\beta$ 's in practice often  
 approximately satisfy this.

## REMARK

- GARCH( $p, q$ ) models fit real-like financial data reasonably well over not-too long periods.
- they allow simple forecast for condit. distribution of  $X_{t+1}$
- they are related to classical ARMA models
- statistical estimation of parameters is not too difficult

## GAUSSIAN QUASI-MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD

Assume  $z_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , then

$$X_t | X_{t-1}, X_{t-2}, \dots \sim N(0, \sigma_t^2)$$

→ one can write conditional densities of  $X_t$ 's given  $X_1, \dots, X_p$  easily

$$f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f_{X_1, \dots, X_n | X_1, \dots, X_p}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot f_{X_1, \dots, X_p}(x_1, \dots, x_p)$$

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we optimize this wr.t  $\alpha$ 's,  $\beta$ 's.
we ignore this!

to get Gaussian quasi max. likelihood estimators

Turns out

- asympt. normality with rate  $\sqrt{n}$  holds for these estimators for large class of noise distribution
- sometimes "more realistic" assumptions on  $Z_t$ 's can produce nonconsistent estimators
- in practice initial values of  $X_0, X_{-1}, \dots, \sigma_0, \sigma_{-1}, \dots$  are not known & have to be initialized somehow  $\rightarrow$  this can be justified theoretically.

## TAILS OF S.R.E.

Assume  $(Y_t)$  is a stationary solution of s.r.e

$$Y_t = A_t Y_{t-1} + B_t \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

for some iid sequence  $(A_t, B_t)_t \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$ .

### THEOREM 2 (Goldie)

Suppose for some  $\kappa > 0, \varepsilon > 0$

$$E A_t^\kappa = 1, \quad E B_t^{\kappa + \varepsilon} < \infty$$

then

$$P(Y_t > u) \sim c \cdot u^{-\kappa} \quad u \rightarrow \infty \quad (*)$$

for some constant  $c > 0$ .

The tail of  $y_t$  in theorem 2 is called power-law tail (very popular subject in contemporary statistics & probability).

### REMARK

- $(*) \Rightarrow E y_t^{k+\varepsilon} = +\infty \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0$
- more general are regularly varying tails

Cor. 3

If  $(X_t)$  is a stat. AR(1) process with stand. Gaussian noise, let

$$E(\alpha, Z^2)^k = 1 \quad \text{for } k > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X_t > x) \sim \frac{c}{2} x^{-2k} \quad x \rightarrow \infty$$

## REMARK

- for  $\alpha_1 \in (0, 1)$   $X_t$  is stationary with finite variance
- for  $1 \leq \alpha_1 < 2e^{\delta} \approx 3,56$  ( $\mu = \text{Euler con.}$ )  $(X_t)$  has infinite variance
- for  $\alpha_1 \geq 2e^{\delta}$  one cannot find station. causal solution (see thm 1).

# Spectral analysis of time series

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# SPECTRAL ANALYSIS OF TIME SERIES

Assume:  $(X_t)$  is weakly stationary  
time series with autocov.  
function  $\gamma_x$  s.t.

$$\sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} |\gamma_x(h)| < \infty$$

Then, the series

$$f_x(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma_x(h) e^{-ih\lambda} \quad (1)$$

is absol. convergent, uniformly in  $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$

Function  $f_X$  in (1) is called the spectral density of  $(X_t)$

It is clearly periodic  $2\pi$ , so we shall only consider it on interval

$$(-\pi, \pi]$$

Moreover, unif. convergence in (1) allows us to interchange sum & integral to obtain

$$Y_X(h) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ih\lambda} f_X(\lambda) d\lambda$$

INVERSION  
(2) FORMULA

In analysis (1) represents Fourier series of function  $f_x$ ; and by (2)  $y(h)$  are corresponding Fourier coefficients.

Functions  $(e^{ih \cdot})_{h \in \mathbb{Z}}$  form a basis of  $L_2((-\pi, \pi], \text{Leb})$ .

Condition  $\sum |y(h)| < \infty$  is more restrictive than necessary, ( $\sum y^2(h) < \infty$  is enough) but sufficient for us.

## LEMMA 1

Function  $f_x$  is also even & nonnegative.



Four. series in (1) will not converge unless  $\gamma(h) \rightarrow \infty$  sufficiently fast, so in such cases spectral density will not exist. Still we will be able to find

spectral measure

## THEOREM 2 (Herglotz)

For every weakly stationary sequence  $(X_t)$  there exists a unique finite measure  $F_X$  on  $(-\pi, \pi]$  s.t.

$$\gamma_X(h) = \int_{(-\pi, \pi]} e^{ih\lambda} dF_X(\lambda), \quad h \in \mathbb{Z}$$

DEF] The measure  $F_X$  above is called the spectral measure of  $(X_t)$

If it has density w.r.t the Lebesgue meas.  $f_X$ , then  $f_X$  is called spectral density.

EXAMPLE 1 (White noise)

Since  $\gamma_X(h) = 0$   $h \neq 0$  for  $X \sim \text{WN}$

$$\Rightarrow f_X(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \gamma_X(0) \quad * \lambda$$

We'll say w. noise contains all possible frequencies in the same amount.

EXAMPLE 2 (Deterministic periodic sequence)

Let

$$X_t = A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t, \quad \lambda \in (0, \pi)$$

$$EA = EB = 0, \quad \text{Var} A = \text{Var} B = \sigma^2, \quad \text{Corr}(A, B) = 0$$

We showed

$$f_{1_x}(h) = \sigma^2 \cosh h\lambda = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} (e^{ih\lambda} + e^{-ih\lambda})$$

$\Rightarrow$   $F$  has mass  $\frac{\sigma^2}{2}$  at points  $\lambda$  &  $-\lambda$ .

REMARK : For real valued t-series spectral measure is symmetric (show it)

So we will ignore point  $-\lambda$ , &

call only  $\lambda$  the frequency  
of this time series

## EXE 1 &gt;

- a) If  $(X_t), (Y_t)$  are two uncorr. stationary seq., show that the spec. measure of  $(X_t + Y_t)$  is the sum of corresponding spectral measures
- b) Find a seq. with symmetric spectral measure concentrated at points  $\pm \lambda_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$  for arbitrary  $\lambda_i \in (0, \pi)$
- c) Find a seq. s.t.  $F_x$  has all its mass at 0.
- d) Find a seq. s.t.  $F_x$  has all its mass at  $\pi$ .
- e) Show that every finite measure on  $(-\pi, \pi]$  is the spectral meas. of some t. series.

## SPECTRAL ANALYSIS

- inference about time series using spectrum, as opposed to the usual analysis using acf's which is called "analysis in time domain"
- also called "analysis in frequency domain".

## FILTER & SPECTRUM

Recall a concept of filter  $(\psi_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$  acting on a stat. time series to obtain a linear process.

In signal processing & physics by filter or transfer function we refer to

$$\psi(\lambda) = \sum \psi_h e^{ih\lambda}$$

### THEOREM 3 (effect of filtering on spectrum)

For a stationary seq  $(X_t)$  with spectral measure  $F_x$ , & filter  $(\psi_j)$  s.t.  $\sum |\psi_j| < \infty$

Define  $Y_t = \sum \psi_j X_{t-j}$

then  $dF_y(\lambda) = |\psi(\lambda)|^2 dF_x(\lambda)$  is sp. meas. of  $(Y_t)$ .

EXAMPLE 3 (MA(1))

Since for  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $f_Z(\lambda) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$

THM 3  $\Rightarrow$  for  $X_t = Z_t + \nu Z_{t-1}$

$$f_X(\lambda) = |1 + \nu e^{-i\lambda}|^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi} = (1 + 2\nu \cos \lambda + \nu^2) \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$$

Note: for  $\nu > 0$       small frequencies dominate  
 for  $\nu < 0$       larger frequency dominate

EXAMPLE 4 (complex valued periodic seq.)

Assume  $EA=0$ ,  $\text{Var}A = \sigma^2 < \infty$ , let  $\lambda \in (0, \pi) \&$

$$X_t = Ae^{i\lambda t} \Rightarrow \gamma_X(h) = e^{ih\lambda} \cdot \sigma^2$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{F}_X$  has mass  $\sigma^2$  at point  $\lambda$ .

$\Rightarrow Y = \sum \psi_j X_{t-j}$  has mass  $|\psi(\lambda)|^2 \cdot \sigma^2$  at point  $\lambda$ .

EXE 2) Find the spec. measure for

$$X_t = Ae^{i\lambda t} \text{ for } \lambda \notin (-\pi, \pi].$$

EXAMPLE 5 (band pass filter)

Consider

$$\psi(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0 & |\lambda - \lambda_0| > \delta \\ 1 & |\lambda - \lambda_0| \leq \delta \end{cases}$$

for fixed frequency  $\lambda_0$  & bandwidth  $\delta$ .

This filter by Ex. 4 kills all frequencies  $\notin [\lambda_0 - \delta, \lambda_0 + \delta]$ . Spectral density of so filtered signal

$$y_t = \sum \psi_j X_{t-j}$$

(if it exists) is

$$f_y(\lambda) = |\psi(\lambda)|^2 f_x(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0 & |\lambda - \lambda_0| > \delta \\ f_x(\lambda) & |\lambda - \lambda_0| \leq \delta \end{cases}$$

For small  $\delta$

$$\text{Var } Y_t = \gamma_y(0) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_y(\lambda) d\lambda = \int_{\lambda_0 - \delta}^{\lambda_0 + \delta} f_\lambda(\lambda) d\lambda \approx 2\delta f_x(\lambda_0)$$

↳  $f_x(\lambda_0)$  is "proportional to variance of subsignal in  $(X_t)$  of frequency  $\lambda_0$ "

Note: band pass filter is theoretical filter only! In practice only smooth transfer functions can be implemented.

## REMARK

- Instead of frequencies  $\lambda$  we can use periods ( $e^{i\lambda t}$  is periodic with period  $2\pi/\lambda$ ). E.g. monthly series with period 12 months will have visible peak in the spectrum at frequency  $2\pi/12$ .
- Frequency  $\pi$  is highest possible (so called Nyquist frequency), this is because we only observe t-series at integer times.

Consequence of Thm 3 is

THEOREM (Spectral density of ARMA process)

A causal ARMA process  $(X_t)$   
has spectral density

$$f_X(\lambda) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi} \left| \frac{v(e^{-i\lambda})}{\ell(e^{-i\lambda})} \right|^2 \quad \lambda \in (-\pi, \pi]$$

## SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION

It turns out that :

any stationary time series can be written as a randomly weighted sum of single frequency signals  $e^{i\lambda t}$ .

For uncorrelated  $z_1, \dots, z_k$  with mean 0 & arbitrary  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in (-\pi, \pi]$ ,

$$X_t = \sum_{j=1}^k z_j e^{i\lambda_j t}$$

has sp. meas.

$$F_X = \sum_{j=1}^k E|z_j|^2 \delta_{\lambda_j}$$

Thus

$$X_t = \sum_{j=1}^k z_j e^{i\lambda_j t} = \int e^{i\lambda t} \sum_{j=1}^k z_j d\lambda_j(dt)$$

← SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION  
(REPRESENTATION)  
of  $(X_t)$

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$X_t$  is the sum of uncorrelated  
single-frequency signals of  
stochastic amplitudes

Interestingly: any zero mean stationary  $(X_t)$   
with discrete sp. measure has  
such a decomposition

More interestingly: any mean zero stationary time series has such a decomposition only the sum becomes the integral

$$X_t = \int_{(-\pi, \pi]} e^{i\lambda t} dZ(\lambda)$$

w.r.t. some random measure  $Z$ .

DEF A random measure with orthogonal increments  $Z$  is a collection of r.v.'s  $\{Z(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$  with mean zero, on some  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  s.t. for some finite Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $(-\pi, \pi]$

$$\text{Cov}(Z(B_1), Z(B_2)) = \mu(B_1 \cap B_2) \quad \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B}$$

REMARK Definition of  $Z \Rightarrow Z$  is  $\sigma$ -additive.

Also  $(Z_\lambda = Z(-\pi, \lambda) : \lambda \in (-\pi, \pi])$  is a stochastic process with uncorrelated increments.

Problem: How to define integral w.r.t.  $Z$ .

Idea:

STEP 1

$$\text{Set } \int 1_B dZ = Z(B)$$

$$\int \sum_1^k \alpha_j 1_{B_j} dZ = \sum_1^k \alpha_j Z(B_j)$$

for any  $\alpha_j, B_j \in \mathcal{B}$

STEP 2

• For  $f \in L_2(\mu)$  take sequence of step functions  $f_n$  s.t.  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L_2(\mu)$

• Note  $f \mapsto \int f dZ$  is linear isometry on step functions

• Set  $\int f dZ = \lim \int f_n dZ$  in  $L_2(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

REMARK  $\Phi: L_2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F}, \mu) \rightarrow L_2(\Omega, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is a linear isometry between two Hilbert spaces

### THEOREM 5

For any mean zero stationary t.s.  $(X_t)$  with spec. meas.  $F_X$  there exists a random measure  $Z$  with orth. inc. s.t

$$\boxed{X_t = \int_{(-\pi, \pi)} e^{i\lambda t} dZ(\lambda)} \quad \text{as } \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↑  
SPECTRAL  
DECOMPOSITION

## ESTIMATION OF THE SPECTRAL DENSITY

Recall, if  $\sum |j_X(h)| < \infty$ ,  $(X_t)$  stationary

$$f_X(\lambda) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ih\lambda} j_X(h)$$

It is natural to replace  $j_X$  with  $\hat{j}_X$  to get an estimator. If we assume  $X_t$ 's are centered, we could use

$$\hat{j}_X(h) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} X_t X_{t+|h|} & |h| < n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The natural estimator is thus

$$\hat{I}_{n,X}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{|h| < n} e^{-ih\lambda} \tilde{f}_X(h)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^n X_t X_s e^{-i\lambda(t-s)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n e^{-i\lambda t} X_t \right|^2$$

← PERIODOGRAM

We usually evaluate  $\hat{I}_{n,X}$  only at

Fourier frequencies:  $\lambda_j = \frac{2\pi \cdot j}{n}$ ,  $0 < j < \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$   
 i.e.  $\lambda_j \in (0, \pi]$

Since  $\sum_{t=1}^n e^{i\lambda_j t} = 0$  at Fourier frequencies

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 Periodogram is the same whether we center  $X_t$  or not

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$$I_{n,X}(\lambda_j) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n e^{-i\lambda_j t} (X_t - \bar{X}_n) \right|^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{|h| < n} e^{-ih\lambda_j} \hat{y}_h(\lambda_j)$$

## EXAMPLE 6 (periodogram of Gaussian w. noise)

Assume

$$Z_t \sim \text{WN}(0, \sigma^2) \text{ Gaussian,}$$

Since 
$$I_{n,Z}(\lambda_j) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n e^{i\lambda_j t} Z_t \right|^2$$

observe inner product of two complex Gaussian r.v's

$$E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n e^{-i\lambda_j t} Z_t\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{s=1}^n e^{i\lambda_k s} Z_s\right) =: \langle X_j, X_k \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n E Z_t^2 e^{-i(\lambda_j - \lambda_k)t}$$

$$= \dots = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & j = k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow X_j, X_k$  are mean zero, uncorrelated Gaussian  
r.v.'s  $\Rightarrow X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$

Observe  $I_{n,z}(\lambda_j) = \frac{1}{2\pi} |X_j|^2$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_1^n z_t \cos \lambda_j t \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_1^n z_t \sin \lambda_j t \right)^2$$

independent

$\Downarrow$

& both  $N(0, \sigma^2/2)$  distributed

$2\pi I_{n,z}$  has  $\frac{\sigma^2}{2} \chi_2^2$  distribution =  $\sigma^2 \cdot \text{Exp}(1)$

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Thus the periodogram of iid Gaussian seq.  
 at the Fourier frequencies has  
 values which are iid  
 exponential with mean  $\frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$  !?!

Recall the spectral density was  $\frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$ .

→ Periodogram is not consistent estimator

→ Fisher derived g-test for Gaussian white noise from this.

Still periodogram is not far from consistency

### PROPOSITION 6

$(X_t)$  mean zero, stationary,  $\sum | \gamma(h) | < \infty$

$$\Rightarrow E I_{n,X}(\lambda) \rightarrow f_X(\lambda) \quad \forall \lambda \in (0, \pi]$$

EXE 3) Prove proposition 6.

Example 6 really points the asymptotic properties of periodogram

## THEOREM 7

Assume  $(X_t)$  is a linear process with abs. summable coefficients  $(\psi_j)$  driven by white noise with variance  $\sigma^2$ .

For fixed frequencies  $0 < \omega_1 < \dots < \omega_m < \pi$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( T_{-n, X}(\omega_j) \right)_j &\xrightarrow{d} \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi} \cdot |\psi(e^{-i\omega_j})| \cdot E_j \right) \\ &= \left( f_X(\omega_j) \cdot E_j \right) \end{aligned}$$

for  $E_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(1) \quad j=1, \dots, m.$

Although, it is inconsistent, smoothed periodogram can be used to get consistent estimator.

For some weights:  $(W_n(k))_{|k| \leq m}$

$$W_n(k) = W_n(-k), \quad \sum_{|k| \leq m} W_n(k) = 1, \quad \sum_{|k| \leq m} W_n^2(k) \rightarrow 0$$

Use

$$\hat{f}_n(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum W_n(j) \hat{I}_n(g_n(\lambda) + 2\pi \frac{j}{n})$$

DISCRETE SPECTRAL  
AVERAGE ESTIMATOR

where  $g_n(\lambda)$  is closest  
Fourier freq  $\frac{2\pi}{n}$  to the point  $\lambda$ .

In theory we need to let

$$m = m_n \rightarrow \infty \quad \& \quad m_n/n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

The simplest weights

$$W_n(k) = \frac{1}{2m+1}$$

are called Daniell weights.