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TOPICS

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- 1. Risk of a univariate portfolio: GARCH model
- 2. Risk of a multivariate portfolio: MGARCH model
- 3. Risk of a multivariate portfolio: Copula
- 4. Backtesting

Meeting 1. Risk of a univariate portfolio: GARCH model

Plan for today

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- 1. Downloading data from stooq.pl to R (stocks listed on WSE)
- 2. Descriptive stats: moments, ACF, density plot, QQ plot
- 3. Unconditional variance models for VaR/ES:
 - Parametric (normal/t-Student distribution)
 - Non-parametric (Historical simulation)
- 4. Conditional variance models for VaR/ES:
 - EWMA
 - GARCH
- 5. GARCH extensions (GJR-GARCH, EGARCH, GARCH-in-mean)

Rates of return: reminder



> Difficult to calculate for a portfolio of assets: $r_p \neq \sum_{k=1}^{K} w_k r_k$

Even though the latter, we will work with log returns

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Simple returns:

Financial series characteristics

1. No autocorrelation of returns (which is not equivalent to independence):

$$cor(r_t, r_{t-s}) = 0$$

2. Fat tails:

$$kurtosis(r_t) > 3$$

3. Volatility clustering:

 $cor(r_t^2,r_{t-s}^2)>0$

4. Leverage effect (sometimes):

$$cor(r_t^2, r_{t-s}) < 0$$

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Fat tails: t-Student distribution

t-Student distribution t_{ν} : 0.40 $\nu = 1$ 0.35 for $v = \infty$ equivalent to N(0,1)=20.30 for $v \leq 2$ no variance $\nu = 5$ 0.25 (which is equal to $\frac{v}{v-2}$) × 0.20 $+\infty$ Kurtosis: $K = 3 + \frac{6}{\nu - 4}$ 0.15 For stocks usually $v \sim 5$ 0.10 0.05 One can check with QQ plot / density plot 0.00 -2 0 2 4 4 х 5% critical values for two-tailed t-Student t_v 1 2 3 5 10 50 ∞ v t* -12.71 -4.30 -3.18 -2.57 -2.23 -2.01 -1.96

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Fat tails: illustration



N	250.063
mu	7.534
sig	32.134
min	-15.352
max	12.607
skew	-0.197
kurt	7.577
JB	2199.87

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Risk is not equivalent to variance!!!

2% 0% A -2% -4% 100 20 40 60 80 0 2% 0% В -2% -4% 100 20 60 80 40 ò 2% 0% C -2% -4% 20 40 60 100 80 ò Michał Rubaszek, Financial Econometrics

Three series with E(r) = 0 and Var(r) = 1 (see Danielson, 2012)

VaR and ES: definitions

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Value at Risk (VaR) for tolerance level *p*:

$$p = \int_{-\infty}^{VaR_p} f(r) dr$$

$$P(r \le VaR_p) = p$$

Expected shortfall (ES) = Conditional VaR (CVaR):

$$ES_p = E(r|r \le VaR_p)$$

$$ES_p = \frac{1}{p} \int_{-\infty}^{VaR_p} rf(r) dr$$

VaR and ES: illustration



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VaR and ES: calculation stages

1. Setting tolerance level p

- 2. Setting horizon *H*
- 3. Choosing estimation sample period 1:T
- 4. Choosing a model
- 5. VaR/ES computation (for period T + 1)
 - + Model validation

Basel ii/iii:	VaR as a risk measure
Basel iv:	plans to change into ES

VaR: Basel II

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Quantitative standards Basel II

- a. 99th percentile VaR must be computed on a daily basis
- b. In calculating VaR the minimum *"holding period"* will be ten trading days. Banks may use VaR numbers calculated according to shorter holding periods scaled up to ten days by the square root of time
- c. The choice of sample period for calculating VaR is constrained to a minimum length of one year.
- d. banks will be free to use models based, for example, on variance-covariance matrices, historical simulations, or Monte Carlo simulations
- e. The multiplication factor will be set by individual supervisory authorities on the basis of their assessment of the quality of the bank's risk management system, subject to an absolute minimum of 3. Banks will be required to add to this factor a "plus" directly related to the ex-post performance of the model, thereby introducing a built in positive incentive to maintain the predictive quality of the model. The plus will range from 0 to 1 based on the outcome of so-called "backtesting."

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VaR and ES calculation methods

- A. Parametric / non-parametric models
- B. Analytical formula / Monte-Carlo simulations
- C. Conditional / unconditional volatility

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Parametric models: normal distribution

Analytical formula for $r \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$:

$$VaR_p = \mu + \sigma \Phi^{-1}(p)$$
$$ES_p = \mu - \sigma \frac{\phi(\Phi^{-1}(p))}{p}$$

where ϕ and Φ are normal distribution pdf and cdf.

Numerical integral formula

$$ES_p = \mu + \sigma \frac{\int_0^p \Phi^{-1}(s) ds}{p}$$

Tables for
$$r \sim N(0,1)$$
:

р	0.5	0.1	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.001
VaR	0	1.282	1.645	1.960	2.326	3.090
ES	0.798	1.755	2.063	2.338	2.665	3.367

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Parametric models: t-Student distribution

Formula for VaR = quantile p:

$$VaR_p = \mu + \sigma T_v^{-1}(p) \sqrt{\frac{v-2}{v}}$$

where T_v is the cdf of t-Student with v degrees of freedom

Numerical integral formula for ES

$$ES_p = \mu + \sigma \frac{\int_0^p T_v^{-1}(s) ds \sqrt{\frac{v-2}{v}}}{p}$$

Notes:

- The variance of $X \sim t_v$: $Var(X) = \frac{v}{v-2}$
- In R functions relate to t_v (e.g. rt) or scaled t_v (e.g. rdist in rugarch)

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Non-parametric model: historical simulation

- We assume that the distribution of returns is well approximated by past/historical returns
- We sort past T returns from the lowest to highest: $rs_1 \le rs_2 \dots \le rs_T$ and calculate VaR as p^{th} quantile. For m = mod(pT):

$$VaR_p = rs_m$$

• *ES* is equal to the average of the worst returns lower than VaR

$$ES_p = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{1}^{m} rs_i$$

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VaR and ES for further horizons

 To measure risk of investment for horizons H > 1 we need to approximate the distribution of:

$$y_H = \sum_{h=1}^H r_h$$

- Two kind of methods:
 - analytical (square root of time, SQRT)
 - mumerical (Monte Carlo, bootstraping)

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Square root of time method

Let us assume that $r_t \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and r_t are *IID*. Then:

$$y_H = \sum_{h=1}^{H} r_h \sim N(H\mu, H\sigma^2)$$

In this case:

$$VaR_{H} = H\mu + \sqrt{H} \times \sigma \Phi^{-1}(p)$$
$$ES_{H} = H\mu - \sqrt{H} \times \sigma \frac{\phi(\Phi^{-1}(p))}{p}$$

For $\mu = 0$ this simplifies to:

$$VaR_H = \sqrt{H} \times VaR$$
 and $ES_H = \sqrt{H} \times ES$

This is why we call this method square root of time

Note: this method applied only for IID returns with normal distribution

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Monte Carlo simulations

- Let us assume that returns are t-Student (or any other distr. for which we don't know analytical formula for the sum of vars.) In this case we resort to Monte Carlo simulations
- MC steps to calculate VaR/ES for any horizon H:
 - 1. Draw a path $r_1, r_2, ..., r_H$ of returns over horizon H and calculate $y_H = \sum_{h=1}^{H} r_h$
 - 2. Repeat step 1 "N" Times. Save $y_H^{(n)}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., N
 - 3. Sort cumulated returns $ys_H^{(1)} \le ys_H^{(2)} \le \dots$
 - 4. Set M = mod(pN)
 - 5. Use formulas :

$$VaR_H = ys_H^{(M)}$$

$$ES_H = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{1}^{M} y s_H^{(i)}$$

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Bootstrap

- When we use historical simulation method, an equivalent to MC simulations is Bootstrap
- Bootstrap steps to calculate VaR/ES for any horizon H:
 - 1. Draw *H* times with replacement from sample $r_{1:T}$. Use draws $r_1, r_2, ..., r_H$ to calculate $y_H = \sum_{h=1}^{H} r_h$
 - 2. Repeat step 1 "N" Times. Save $y_H^{(n)}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., N
 - 3. Sort cumulated returns $ys_H^{(1)} \le ys_H^{(2)} \le \dots$
 - 4. Set M = mod(pN)
 - 5. Use formulas :

$$VaR_H = ys_H^{(M)}$$

$$ES_H = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{1}^{M} y s_H^{(i)}$$

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Exercises

Exercise 1.1.

The rate of return of a portfolio is t-Student distributed, where the number of degrees of freedom is equal to 5 (critical values are provided in table below). Moreover, it is known that the expected rate of return is 5% and standard deviation is 20%.

p	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%
t-Student	-3.36	-2.76	-2.42	-2.19	-2.02	-1.87	-1.75	-1.65	-1.56	-1.48
scaled t-Student	-2.61	-2.14	-1.88	-1.70	-1.56	-1.45	-1.36	-1.28	-1.21	-1.14

- a. Select the tolerance level p
- b. Calculate VaR with pen and paper for H = 1 and H = 4 (with SQRT)
- c. Calculate VaR and ES with R (for H = 1 and H = 4)
- d. Compare the results from points b and c

Is SQT justified?

Exercise 1.2.

The rate of return has an IID uniform distribution $r \sim U(-0.05; 0.05)$.

- a. Calculate VaR and ES for p=0.05 or 0.10
- b. Can you find distribution for horizon H = 2?
- c. Calculate VaR and ES for p = 0.05 or 0.10 for horizon H = 2. Compare the results with SQRT.

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Volatility clustering

Financial series characteristics: $cor(r_t^2, r_{t-s}^2) > 0$



This implies that conditional variance is not constant in time:

$$\sigma_t^2 = E(r_t^2 \big| r_{t-1}^2, r_{t-2}^2, \dots) \neq \sigma^2$$

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Volatility clustering, EWMA

Moving Average (MA):

$\sigma_t^2 = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^{S} (r_{t-s} - \mu)^2$

 Exponentially Weighted Moving Average (EWMA), A model proposed by JP Morgan in 1993, known also as RiskMetrics

$$\sigma_t^2 = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \lambda^s r_{t-s}^2$$

Simplified formula for EWMA model, i.e. IGARCH(1,1):

$$\sigma_t^2 = (1 - \lambda)r_{t-1}^2 + \lambda\sigma_{t-1}^2$$

• JP Morgan calibrate $\lambda = 0.94$ for daily observations



Volatility clustering, GARCH(1,1)

• EWMA ...

... as a specific version of GARCH(1,1):

$$r_{t} = \mu + \epsilon_{t}, \ \epsilon_{t} \sim D(0, \sigma_{t}^{2})$$
$$\sigma_{t}^{2} = \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^{2} + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^{2}$$
$$\omega > 0, \alpha, \beta \ge 0.$$

 $\sigma_t^2 = (1 - \lambda)r_{t-1}^2 + \lambda\sigma_{t-1}^2$

- EWMA restrictions:
 - $\mu = 0$ $\omega = 0$ $\alpha = 1 - \lambda$ $\beta = \lambda$

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Volatility clustering, GARCH(1,1)

MA ...

$$\begin{aligned} r_t &= \mu + \epsilon_t, \ \epsilon_t \sim D(0, \sigma_t^2) \\ \sigma_t^2 &= \omega + \alpha_1 \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \dots + \alpha_S \epsilon_{t-S}^2 \\ \omega &> 0, \alpha, \beta \ge 0. \end{aligned}$$

- MA restrictions:
- $\omega = 0$ $\alpha_s = 1/S \text{ for } s = 1,2,...S$

 $\sigma_t^2 = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^{S} (r_{t-s} - \mu)^2$

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Volatility clustering, GARCH(1,1)

• GARCH(1,1):

$$\begin{split} r_t &= \mu + \epsilon_t, \qquad \epsilon_t \sim D(0, \sigma_t^2) \\ \sigma_t^2 &= \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2 \\ \omega &> 0, \alpha, \beta \geq 0. \end{split}$$

Other notation:

$$\sigma_t^2 = (1 - \alpha - \beta) \,\overline{\sigma}^2 + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

where

 $\bar{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\omega}{1 - (\alpha + \beta)}$

is the equilibrium value of the variance.

If α + β < 1 then the variance is mean reverting (stationary model).
 For EWMA α + β = 1: Integrated GARCH, IGARCH model

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GARCH: estimation

The joint probability of all observations:

 $p(y_1, y_2, ..., y_T) = p(y_1 | \Omega_0) \times p(y_2 | \Omega_1) \times \cdots \times p(y_T | \Omega_{T-1})$ where Ω_t is information set available till moment t

If we assume that:

$$\epsilon_t | \Omega_{t-1} \sim N(0, \sigma_t^2)$$

then the likelihood is:

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta|y_{1:T}) = \prod_{t=1}^{T} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_t} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_t - \mu_t)^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right)$$

where heta is the vector of model parameters

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GARCH: estimation

- In many cases the conditional distribution of returns is also characterised by excess kurtosis or skewness.
- In this case we can assume that conditional distribution has t-Student distribution or skewed t-Student distribution.
- For t-Student distribution the likelihood is:

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta|y_{1:T}) = \prod_{t=1}^{T} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)\sqrt{\pi(\nu-2)}\sigma_t} \left(1 + \frac{(y_t - \mu_t)^2}{(\nu-2)\sigma_t^2}\right)^{-\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}$$

For skewed t-Student distribution, see rugarch vignette (link, page 19)

GARCH(P,Q): specification selection

Specification selection stages:

- 1. Select the specification for levels (μ_t), usually a constant
- 2. Select the specification for the variance (σ_t^2), usually GARCH(1,1)
- 3. Decide on the conditional distribution, usually t-Student

Criteria:

A. No autocorrelation for levels and squares of standarized residuals

$$u_t = \epsilon_t / \sigma_t$$

B. Minimization of information criteria (AIC, BIC, HQ)

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Leverage effect

One of financial series characteristics: $cor(r_t^2, r_{t-s}) < 0$



This implies that conditional variance depends on the sign of past returns

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Asymetric GARCH models



GJR-GARCH(1,1) by Glosten-Jagannathan-Runkle (1993):



cross correlation of squarred returns and returns

Asymetric GARCH models

E(xponential)GARCH(1,1) by Nelson (1991):

$$r_t = \mu + \epsilon_t,$$

$$\ln(\sigma_t^2) = \omega + \alpha u_{t-1} + \gamma |u_{t-1}| + \beta \ln(\sigma_{t-1}^2)$$

where $u_t = \epsilon_t / \sigma_t$ is a standarized error term

As a result:

$$\ln(\sigma_t^2) = \begin{cases} \omega + (\alpha - \gamma)u_{t-1} + \beta \ln(\sigma_{t-1}^2) \text{ for } \epsilon_{t-1} < 0\\ \omega + (\alpha + \gamma)u_{t-1} + \beta \ln(\sigma_{t-1}^2) \text{ for } \epsilon_{t-1} \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

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GARCH in Mean

- If investors are risk averse then expected return of risky (volatile) assets should be higher than the rate of return of stable assets (e.g. eturn on SP500 was on average 5% higher than from 3M TB)
- GARCH-M (GARCH in Mean, Engle, Lilien i Ronbins, 1987) :

$$\begin{aligned} r_t &= \mu + \delta \sigma_t + \epsilon_t, \\ \sigma_t^2 &= \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Alternative specifications

$$r_t = \mu + \delta \sigma_t^2 + \epsilon_t$$

$$r_t = \mu + \delta \ln \sigma_t + \epsilon_t$$

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Forecasting volatility with GARCH(1,1)

Variance forecast from GARCH model:

 $\begin{aligned} r_t &= \mu + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim D(0, \sigma_t^2) \\ \sigma_t^2 &= \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{aligned}$

Given information set Ω_T , i.e. $\epsilon_{1:T}$ and $\sigma_{1:T}^2$, we can compute that: $\sigma_{T+1|T}^2 = \omega + \alpha \epsilon_T^2 + \beta \sigma_T^2$

For futher horizons we need to notice that:

$$E(\epsilon_{T+h}^2) = \sigma_{T+h|T}^2$$

Hence:

$$\sigma_{T+2|T}^2 = \omega + (\alpha + \beta)\sigma_{T+1|T}^2$$

Notice that for $\alpha + \beta < 1$ the forecast converges towards:

$$\lim_{H \to \infty} \sigma_{T+H|T}^2 = \frac{\omega}{1 - (\alpha + \beta)}$$

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Simulating future returns form a GARCH

Steps to simulate a single path of returns over horizon *H* from GARCH model:

$$\begin{aligned} r_t &= \mu + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim D(0, \sigma_t^2) \\ \sigma_t^2 &= \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- 1. Given information set Ω_T calculate σ_{T+1}^2
- 2. Draw ϵ_{T+1} from distribution $D(0, \sigma_{T+1}^2)$
- 3. Calculate r_{T+1}
- 4. Conditional on the draw for ϵ_{T+1} calculate σ_{T+2}^2
- ... continue until you have the path for $r_1, r_2, ..., r_H$

Calculating VaR/ES with GARCH models

MC steps to calculate VaR/ES for any horizon *H* from GARCH model:

- 1. Simulate a path $r_1, r_2, ..., r_H$ of returns over horizon H and cumulate $y_H = \sum_{h=1}^{H} r_h$
- 2. Repeat step 1 "N" Times. Save $y_H^{(n)}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., N
- 3. Sort cumulated returns $ys_H^{(1)} \le ys_H^{(2)} \le \dots$
- 4. Set M = mod(pN)
- 5. Use formulas :

$$VaR_H = ys_H^{(M)}$$

$$ES_H = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{1}^{M} y s_H^{(i)}$$

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Exercises

Exercise 1.3.

Let r_t be weekly log-return (expressed as %) for a portfolio. The estimatates of the GARCH(1,1) model as as follows:

 $\begin{array}{l} r_t &= 0.08 + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma_t^2) \\ \sigma_t^2 &= 0.025 + 0.10 \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + 0.80 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{array}$

- a. What is the average annual rate of return (assume that a year is 52 weeks)?
- b. Calculate the unconditional variance (and standard deviation) for weekly data
- c. Knowing that $\epsilon_T^2 = 0.15$ and $\sigma_T^2 = 0.4$ calculate the forecast $\sigma_{T+1|T}^2$
- d. Select the tolerance level p and calculate VaR and ES using the values from table below

р	0.5	0.1	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.001
VaR	0	1.282	1.645	1.960	2.326	3.090
ES	0.798	1.755	2.063	2.338	2.665	3.367

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Exercises

Exercise 1.4.

Build an equally weighted protfolio consisting of two stocks quoted on WSE. You can download the data with the command:

data

- <- read.csv("http://web.sgh.waw.pl/~mrubas/EFII/Dane/wig.csv", row.names = "X")
- a. Make a graph of historical time series. If the history is shorter than 5 years, select other stocks
- b. Select the tolerance level p
- c. Calculate VaR/ES for horizons H = 1 and H = 10 using parametric models (normal, t-Student); historical simulation; EWMA; GARCH(1,1) model
- d. Fill in the table below

	VaR		ES	
	H=1	H=10	H=1	H=10
Normal				
t-Student				
Historical simulation				
EWMA				
GARCH				

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Exercise 1.5.

Build an equally weighted protfolio consisting of two stocks quoted on WSE. You can download the data with the command:

data <- read.csv("http://web.sgh.waw.pl/~mrubas/EFII/Dane/wig.csv", row.names = "X")</pre>

Construct the best GARCH model:

- a. Specify lags P and Q of GARCH(P,Q) as well as the error term distribution with the BIC criterion
- b. Check for the autocorrelation of standardized residuals
- c. Check for the leverage effect (GJR-GARCH / EGARCH)
- d. Check for in-Mean effect
- e. Calculate VaR/ES for horizons H = 1 and H = 10
- f. Compare the results from point e to GARCH(1,1) see Exercise 1.4
- g. Calculate the forecast for standard deviation σ_t at horizon H = 1000 and compare it to sample standard deviation for portfolio returns. Are the differences sizeable?

Meeting 2. Risk of a multivariate portfolio: MGARCH models

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MGARCH: general specification

Let y_t be a vector of returns for individual assets entering the investment portfolio. For the joint distribution, let us assume that:

$$y_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t$$
$$Cov(\epsilon_t) = H_t$$

where:

 $\begin{aligned} y_t &= (y_{1t}, y_{2t}, \dots, y_{Nt})' & \text{ is the vector of returns} \\ \mu_t &= (\mu_{1t}, \mu_{2t}, \dots, \mu_{Nt})' & \text{ is the conditional mean} \\ \epsilon_t &= (\epsilon_{1t}, \epsilon_{2t}, \dots, \epsilon_{Nt})' & \text{ is the error term} \\ H_t &= \begin{bmatrix} h_{ij} \end{bmatrix}_{N \times N} & \text{ is the conditional covariance matrix} \end{aligned}$

In MGARCH model we model the dynamics of H_t as a function of:

- past values of the covariance matrix H_{t-q} for q = 1, 2, ..., Q
- realization of the error term $\epsilon_{t-p}\epsilon_{t-p}'$ for p=1,2,...,P

MGARCH models can be classified depending on the specification of the dynamics for the covariance matrix H_t into (see Bauwens et al. 2006, JAE):

- 1. Direct generalizations of the univariate GARCH (VEC GARCH or BEKK)
- 2. Linear combinations of univariate GARCH model (GO-GARCH)
- Nonlinear combinations of univariate GARCH models (DCC-GARCH)

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VEC-GARCH

VEC-GARCH(1,1) proposed by Bollerslev, Engle and Wooldridge (1988)

$$y_{t} = \mu_{t} + \epsilon_{t}, \epsilon_{t} \sim N(0, H_{t})$$
$$h_{t} = \omega + Ae_{t-1} + Bh_{t-1}$$
$$h_{t} = vech(H_{t})$$
$$e_{t} = vech(\epsilon_{t}\epsilon'_{t})$$

where $vech(\cdot)$ denotes the operator that stacks the lower triangular portion of a $N \times N$ matrix as a $\frac{(N+1)N}{2} \times 1$ vector.

Problems:

- Large number of parameters: A and B are $\frac{(N+1)N}{2} \times \frac{(N+1)N}{2}$ matrices
- Difficulties in ensuring that H_t is positive definite

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VEC-GARCH

Bivariate example of VEC GARCH:

 $h_t = \omega + Ae_{t-1} + Bh_{t-1}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} \\ h_{22,t} \\ h_{12,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} \\ \omega_{22} \\ \omega_{12} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11,1} & \alpha_{11,2} & \alpha_{11,3} \\ \alpha_{22,1} & \alpha_{22,2} & \alpha_{22,3} \\ \alpha_{12,1} & \alpha_{12,2} & \alpha_{12,3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_{11,t-1} \\ e_{22,t-1} \\ e_{12,t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{11,1} & \beta_{11,2} & \beta_{11,3} \\ \beta_{22,1} & \beta_{22,2} & \beta_{22,3} \\ \beta_{12,1} & \beta_{12,2} & \beta_{12,3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where
$$e_{ij} = \epsilon_i \times \epsilon_j$$

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DVEC-GARCH

To limit the number of parameters in VEC-GARCH model, Bollerslev et al (1988) proposed its restriction version, in which matrices *A* and *B* from

$$h_t = \omega + Ae_{t-1} + Bh_{t-1}$$

are assumed to be diagonal, so that equation changes into:

$$h_{ij,t} = \omega_{ij} + \alpha_{ij}\epsilon_{i,t-1}\epsilon_{j,t-1} + \beta_{ij}h_{ij,t-1}$$

Even though the number of parameters decreases, the problem of ensuring that H_t is positive definite remains

Important: multivariate EWMA from Riskmetrics is calibrated DVEC-GARCH:

$$h_{ij,t} = (1 - \lambda)\epsilon_{i,t-1}\epsilon_{j,t-1} + \lambda h_{ij,t-1}$$

DVEC-GARCH

Bivariate example of DVEC GARCH:

$$h_t = \omega + Ae_{t-1} + Bh_{t-1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} \\ h_{22,t} \\ h_{12,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} \\ \omega_{22} \\ \omega_{12} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_{11,t-1} \\ e_{22,t-1} \\ e_{12,t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{12} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

where
$$e_{ij} = \epsilon_i \times \epsilon_j$$

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BEKK-GARCH

Engle and Kroner (1995) proposed BEKK-GARCH model, in which H_t is always positive definite

$$y_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t)$$
$$H_t = \Omega \Omega' + A \epsilon_{t-1} \epsilon'_{t-1} A' + B H_{t-1} B'$$

where Ω is lower triangular matrix, whereas A and B are $N \times N$ matrices.

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} & h_{12,t} \\ h_{12,t} & h_{22,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} & 0 \\ \omega_{12} & \omega_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} & \omega_{12} \\ 0 & \omega_{22} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_{11,t-1} & e_{21,t-1} \\ e_{12,t-1} & e_{22,t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{21} \\ \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\ + \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{11} & \beta_{12} \\ \beta_{21} & \beta_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t-1} & h_{21,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} & h_{22,t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{11} & \beta_{21} \\ \beta_{12} & \beta_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $e_{ij} = \epsilon_i \times \epsilon_j$

Note: Due to a large number of params BEKK model is rarely used when N > 3

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Exercise 2.1.

The BEKK GARCH model describing the dynamics of a bivariate vector $r = (r_1, r_2)'$:

 $r_t \sim N(0, H_t)$

 $\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} & h_{12,t} \\ h_{12,t} & h_{22,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.0 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_{11,t-1} & e_{12,t-1} \\ e_{12,t-1} & e_{22,t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0.0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.0 \\ 0.5 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t-1} & h_{12,t-1} \\ h_{12,t-1} & h_{22,t-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.0 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$

- a. Assuming that $\epsilon_{1,T} = 0$; $\epsilon_{2,T} = 0$; $h_{11,T} = 3$; $h_{12,T} = 1$; $h_{22,T} = 5$; make a forecast for H_{T+1}
- b. Calculate the variance σ_{T+1}^2 of a portfolio with weights w = (0.5, 0.5)'
- c. Calculate the $VaR_{5\%}$ of a portfolio with weights w = (0.5, 0.5)' knowing that $\Phi^{-1}(0.05) = -1.64$
- d. Repeat points b and c for w = (0.25, 0.75)'

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Factor-GARCH

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Engle, Ng and Rothschild (1990) proposed a factor specification of MGARCH model, in which the dynamics of H_t is described by K factors:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t) \\ \epsilon_t &= \Lambda f_t + \eta_t, \quad \eta_t \sim N(0, \Gamma), \qquad f_t \sim N(0, D_t), \\ \Gamma &= \operatorname{diag}(\gamma_1^2, \gamma_2^2, \dots, \gamma_N^2), \quad D_t = \operatorname{diag}(d_{1t}, d_{2t}, \dots, d_{Kt}) \\ H_t &= \Lambda D_t \Lambda' + \Gamma \\ d_{kt} &= \omega_k + \alpha_k f_{k,t-1}^2 + \beta_k d_{k,t-1} \end{aligned}$$

Note: This specification allows to transform the problem of finding the dynamics for multidimentional matrix H_t into a problem of finding the dynamics of K univariate processes

Factor-GARCH

Bivariate Factor-GARCH(1,1,2) with no idiosyncratic term

$$\epsilon_t = \Lambda f_t, \qquad f_t \sim N(0, D_t),$$

$$d_{tt} = \omega_t + \alpha_t f_t^2, \quad t + \beta_t d_{tt}, \quad t \in \mathcal{S}$$

 $v_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t)$

$$d_{1t} = \omega_1 + \alpha_1 f_{1,t-1} + \beta_1 \alpha_{1,t-1}$$
$$d_{2t} = \omega_2 + \alpha_2 f_{2,t-1}^2 + \beta_2 d_{2,t-1}$$

 $\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} & h_{12,t} \\ h_{12,t} & h_{22,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{1,t} & 0 \\ 0 & d_{2,t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{21} \\ \lambda_{12} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

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Exercise 2.2.

On the basis of the below relationship:

 $\begin{bmatrix} h_{11,t} & h_{12,t} \\ h_{12,t} & h_{22,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{1,t} & 0 \\ 0 & d_{2,t} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{21} \\ \lambda_{12} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

write the formula for the value of conditional correlation in Factor-GARCH model as a function of d_{1t} and d_{2t} . Is the dynamic for the calculated formula transparent?

Note that: $ho_{12,t}=rac{h_{12,t}}{\sqrt{h_{11,t}}\sqrt{h_{22,t}}}$

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Van der Weide (1990) proposed a specific verion of Factor-GARCH model, based on spectral decomposition of population cov. matrix, combined with rotation:

 $H = PLP^{-1}, P - \text{eigenvectors matrix}, L - \text{eigenvalues matrix}$ $\Lambda = PL^{0.5}U$

UU' = I, U – orthonormal, rotation matrix

GO-GARCH model:

$$y_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t)$$

$$\epsilon_t = \Lambda f_t, \quad f_t \sim N(0, D_t),$$

$$D_t = \text{diag}(d_{1t}, d_{2t}, \dots, d_{Nt})$$

$$H_t = \Lambda D_t \Lambda'$$

$$d_{it} = \omega_i + \alpha_i f_{i,t-1}^2 + \beta_i d_{i,t-1}$$

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CCC-GARCH (Constant Conditional Correlation)

Bollerslev (2002) proposed the CCC GARCH of the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t) \\ H_t &= D_t P D'_t \\ D_t &= \text{diag}(\sqrt{d_{1t}}, \sqrt{d_{2t}}, \dots, \sqrt{d_{Nt}}) \\ d_{it} &= \omega_i + \alpha_i \epsilon_{i,t-1}^2 + \beta_i d_{i,t-1} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

where P is the unconditional correlation matrix

E(xtended)CCC-GARCH by Jeantheau (1998)

$$d_{it} = \omega_i + \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_{ij} \epsilon_{j,t-1}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^N \beta_{ij} d_{j,t-1}$$
 for $i = 1, 2, ..., N$

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DCC-GARCH (Dynamic Conditional Correlation)

Engle (2002) proposed the DCC GARCH of the following form:

$$y_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t)$$

$$H_t = D_t P_t D'_t$$

$$D_t = \text{diag}(\sqrt{d_{1t}}, \sqrt{d_{2t}}, \dots, \sqrt{d_{Nt}})$$

$$d_{it} = \omega_i + \alpha_i \epsilon_{i,t-1}^2 + \beta_i d_{i,t-1} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

where P_t is the conditional correlation matrix with the law of motion:

$$z_{t} = D_{t}^{-1} \epsilon_{t}$$

$$Q_{t} = (1 - \alpha - \beta)\overline{Q} + \alpha z_{t-1} z_{t-1}' + \beta Q_{t-1}$$

$$P_{t} = (Q_{t} \odot I)^{-0.5} Q_{t} (Q_{t} \odot I)^{-0.5}$$

where \odot is the Hadamard operator (element-by-element multiplication)

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Exercise 2.3.

The CCC GARCH model describing the dynamics of a bivariate vector $r = (r_1, r_2)'$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} r_t &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8\\ 1.2 \end{bmatrix} + \epsilon_t; \ \epsilon_t \sim N(0, H_t) \\ H_t &= D_t \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5\\ 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} D'_t \\ \begin{bmatrix} d_{1t}\\ d_{2t} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9\\ 1.1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.0\\ 0.0 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{1t-1}^2\\ \epsilon_{2t-1}^2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.0\\ 0.0 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_{1,t-1}\\ d_{2,t-1} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- a. Assuming that $\epsilon_{1T}^2 = 23$; $\epsilon_{2T}^2 = 16$; $d_{1T} = 16$; $d_{2T} = 9$; make a forecast for H_{T+1}
- b. Calculate the parameters of the distribution of returns a portfolio with weights w = (0.25, 0.75)' for the period T + 1
- c. Calculate the $VaR_{2.5\%}$ of a portfolio with weights w = (0.25, 0.75)' knowing that $\Phi^{-1}(0.025) = -1.96$
- d. Calculate the equilibrium value of H_t ?

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Exercise 2.4.

For a protfolio consisting of two stocks quoted on WSE (you can download the data with)

data <- read.csv("http://web.sgh.waw.pl/~mrubas/EFII/Dane/wig.csv", row.names = "X")</pre>

- a. Make a graph of historical time series. If the history is shorter than 5 years, select other stocks
- b. Select the tolerance level p
- c. Estimate GO-GARCH(1,1) and DCC-GARCH(1,1) model. Which is better fitted to the data?
- d. Make a graph of conditional std. dev. for two vars. from both models (one chart per. variable)
- e. Make o graph of conditional correlation dynamics from both models (one chart)
- f. Make a graph of conditional std. dev. of a portfolio from both models (one chart)
- g. Calculate VaR/ES for horizons H = 1 and H = 10 and fill in the table below

	VaR H=1	H=10	ES H=1	H=10
GO-GARCH				
DCC-GARCH				

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Meeting 3. Risk of a multivariate portfolio: Copulas

Multivariate normal distribution

 In many applications it is convenient to assume that multivariate returns have multivariate normal distribution:

$$r \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

• For a portfolio of assets with weights *w* the rate of return:

$$r_p = w' r \sim N(\mu_p, \sigma_p^2)$$

where $\mu_p = w' \mu$ and $\sigma_p^2 = w' \Sigma w$

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Multivariate normal distribution

 Multivariate normal distribution implies that the relationship between variables Y and X is linear

$$Y = a + bX + \epsilon$$
, $b = \frac{cov(Y, X)}{var(X)}$, $a = \overline{Y} - b\overline{X}$

- In other words, the relationship is always the same and does not depend on the scale of change ...
- In but at financial markets dependences tend to be stronger during crashes that in normal times, which leads to risk undervaluation!!!

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Non-linear dependencies: illustration

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The scale of nonlinearity of dependencies between two variables can be illustrated by comparing a scatter plot of realized and simulated series



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Copula function: a general idea

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- Copula as a convenient method to model non-linear dependencies between variables X and Y (we will discuss only a bivariate case)
- A general idea is to decompose a (sophisticated) joint distribution of X and Y into:
 - Univariate marginal distributions for X and Y
 - Copula function, which combines both marginal distributions

Copula function

SKLAR'S THEOREM:

For:

H(X,Y) multivariate/bivariate joint cdf F(X) and G(Y) univariate marginal cdf there exists a copula C() for which:

H(X,Y) = C(F(X),G(Y))

If F and G are continous, then C is unique

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Copula function: notation

f(X); g(Y):
U = F(X); V = G(Y):
h(X,Y):
H(X,Y):
C(U,V):

pdf of marginal distributions cdf of marginal distributions pdf of joint distribution cdf of joint distribution copula function

H(X,Y) = C(F(X),G(Y)) = C(U,V)

h(X,Y) = f(X)g(Y)C(F(X),G(Y))

To draw from the joint distribution, we need to decide on:

- the shape of marginal distributions F(X) and G(Y)
- the shape of copula function C(U, V)

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Most popular copulas

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Empirical copula

• Let \hat{F} and \hat{G} be the empirical distribution functions for x_t and y_t : $\hat{F}(x) = \#(x_t < x)/T$ and $\hat{G}(y) = \#(y_t < y)/T$

and $u_t = \hat{F}(x_t)$ and $v_t = \hat{G}(y_t)$, where t = 1, 2, ..., T

Definition of empirical copula:

$$C(u,v) = \frac{\#(u_t \le u \land v_t \le v)}{T}$$

(discrete) probability density of empirical copula is:

$$c(u,v) = \frac{\#(u_t = u \land v_t = v)}{T}$$

where #(z) is the number of observations t that fulfill condition z

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Exercise 3.1.

For a sample of observations:

t	1	2	3	4	5
x	1	2	3	4	6
у	7	5	1	3	4

calculate:

- a. The values of u_t and v_t for t = 1,2,3,4,5
- b. Empirical copula
- c. Density of empirical copula

Exercise 3.2.

Let (X, Y) be the random variables describing the outcome of rolling two dices.

- a. What is the marginal pdf/cdf for *X* and *Y*?
- b. What is the joint pdf for (X, Y)
- c. What is the density copula for (X, Y)
- d. Roll two dices 10 times to create your sample for (x, y) and calculate the empirical copula / density of empirical copula. Use function x < sample(1:6, 10, replace=TRUE)

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Elliptic copulas

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Normal copula:

$$\mathcal{C}(U,V) = \Phi_{\Sigma}(\Phi^{-1}(U), \Phi^{-1}(V))$$

where Φ/Φ_{Σ} is univariate/multivariate normal cdf and Σ is the covariance matrix

t-Student copula:

$$C(U, V) = T_{v, \Sigma}(T_v^{-1}(U), T_v^{-1}(V))$$

where $T_v/T_{v,\Sigma}$ is univariate/multivariate t-Student cdf with v degrees of freedom

Elliptic copulas



Archimedean copulas

The formula for copula:

$$\mathcal{C}(U,V) = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(U) + \varphi(V))$$

where φ is the generator

copula	C(u,v)	arphi(t)	$\varphi^{-1}(t)$
Clayton	$C(u,v) = \left(\max\left\{u^{-\theta} + v^{-\theta} - 1; 0\right\}\right)^{-1/\theta}$	$\varphi(t) = (1+t)^{-1/\theta}$	$\varphi^{-1}(t) = t^{-\theta} - 1$
Gumbel	$C(u, v) = e^{-((-\log(u))^{\theta} + (-\log(v))^{\theta})^{1/\theta}}$	$\varphi(t) = e^{\left(-t^{1/\theta}\right)}$	$\varphi^{-1}(t) = \left(-\log(t)\right)^{\theta}$
Frank	$C(u,v) = \frac{-1}{\theta} \log \left(1 + \frac{(e^{-\theta u} - 1)(e^{-\theta v} - 1)}{e^{-\theta} - 1} \right)$	$\varphi(t) = \frac{-1}{\theta} \log(\mathrm{e}^{-t}(\mathrm{e}^{-\theta} - 1) + 1)$	$\varphi^{-1}(t) = -\log\left(\frac{\mathrm{e}^{-\theta t}-1}{\mathrm{e}^{-\theta}-1}\right)$

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Archimedean copulas



Tail dependence

- Copulas are useful tool for panic/crisis scenarios, in which the dependencies between assets tend to be stronger
- A useful measure for these scenarios is downward:

$$\lambda^L = \lim_{q \to 0} \frac{C(q,q)}{q}$$

or upward tail dependence:

$$\lambda^{U} = \lim_{q \to 0} \frac{1 - C(1 - q, 1 - q)}{q}$$

The values for copulas:

0	Normal / t-Student:	$\lambda^L = 0$	$\lambda^{\scriptscriptstyle U}=0$ if $ ho<1$
0	Clayton:	$\lambda^L = 2^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$	$\lambda^U = 0$
0	Gumbel:	$\lambda^L = 0$	$\lambda^U = 2 - 2^{\frac{1}{\theta}}$
0	Frank:	$\lambda^L = 0$	$\lambda^U = 0$

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Joint distribution from copulas



Joint distribution from copulas

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Joint distribution from copulas



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Fitting to the data

Definition:

$$\tau = P\{(x_i - x_j)(y_i - y_j) > 0\} - P\{(x_i - x_j)(y_i - y_j) < 0\}$$

Sample estimate:

$$\hat{\tau} = \frac{P - Q}{N(N - 1)/2}$$

<i>P</i> – number of concordant pairs:	$\mathbb{N}\{(x_i - x_j)(y_i - y_j) > 0\}$
Q – number of discordant pairs:	$\mathbb{N}\{(x_i - x_j)(y_i - y_j) < 0\}$

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Fitting copula to the data: method of moments **SGH**

For copula $C(U, V | \theta)$ we are looking parameter θ for which:

$$\tau_{\alpha} = 4 \int \int C(U, V|\theta) dC(U, V|\theta) - 1$$

is closest to $\hat{\tau}$

Formulas:

Normal copula / t-Student:	$\rho = \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}\tau)$
Clayton copula:	$\theta = 2\tau(2-\tau)^{-1}, \ \theta > 0, \tau > 0$
Gumbel copula:	$\theta = (1 - \tau)^{-1}$, $\theta \ge 0, \tau \ge 0$
Frank copula:	$\tau = 1 - \frac{4}{\theta} \left[1 - \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1 - t^{\theta})(1 - t^{\theta})}{t^{\theta - 1}} dt \right]$

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Exercise 3.3.

For a sample of observations:

t	1	2	3	4	5
x	1	2	3	4	6
у	3	5	1	6	7

calculate:

- a. Kandal tau
- b. Estimate of the parameter for normal copula
- c. Estimate of the parameter for Clayton copula
- d. Estimate of the parameter for Gumbel copula

Fitting copula to the data: maximum likelihood **SGH**

One-step procedure (full ML)

We are looking for parameter θ which maximizes

$$l(\theta|X,Y) = \sum_{t=1}^{T} \log c[F(x_t|\theta), G(y_t|\theta)] + \log f(x_t|\theta) + \log g(y_t|\theta)$$

Two-step procedure

- Step 1: Estimate marginal distribution parameters
- Step 2: Estimate copula function parameters

VaR and ES from copula (over horizon H)

- 1. Draw (u, v) from C(U, V)
- 2. Calculate $x = F^{-1}(u)$ and $y = G^{-1}(v)$
- 3. Calculate the simulate rate of return of the portfolio $r = w_x x + w_y y$
- 4. Repeat steps 1-3 *H* times to simulate a path $r_1, r_2, ..., r_H$ of returns over horizon *H* and calculate $y_H = \sum_{h=1}^{H} r_h$
- 5. Repeat steps 1-4 N times. Save $y_H^{(n)}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., N
- 6. Sort cumulated returns $ys_H^{(1)} \le ys_H^{(2)} \le \dots$
- 7. Set M = mod(pN)
- 8. Use formulas :

$$VaR_H = ys_H^{(M)}$$

$$ES_H = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{1}^{M} y s_H^{(i)}$$

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Exercise 3.4.

For a protfolio consisting of two stocks quoted on WSE (you can download the data with)
data <- read.csv("http://web.sgh.waw.pl/~mrubas/EFII/Dane/wig.csv", row.names = "X")</pre>

- a. Make a graph of historical time series. If the history is shorter than 5 years, select other stocks
- b. Select the tolerance level *p*
- c. Estimate 5 copulas listed in table below. Which is the best fitted to the data?
- d. Calculate VaR/ES for horizons H = 1 and H = 10
- e. Fill in the table below

	VaR		ES	
	H=1	H=10	H=1	H=10
Normal				
t-Student				
Clayton				
Gumbel				
Frank				

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Meeting 4. Backtesting

What is backtesting

"backtesting" in finance = "out-of-sample evaluation" in economics

- backtesting allows to assess model performance if it was used in the past
- for VaR we compare the share of VaR exceedances to tolerance level
- for ES we check if the scale of exceedances is correctly calibrated



- 1. Set observation for the start backtesting T^* (usually T 250)
- 2. Use data until period $t = T^*$ to calculate VaR for period t + 1: $VaR_{t+1|t}$
- 3. Compare $VaR_{t+1|t}$ to realization r_{t+1} to assess if VaR was exceeded
- 4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for $t = T^* + 1, T^* + 2, ..., T 1$



Note: We used a similar procedure for out-of-sample forecast evaluation in Block 1

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• Using the series $VaR_{t|t-1}$ and r_t for $t = T^* + 1, T^* + 2, ..., T$ we can construct the series of exceedances

$$e_t = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } r_t \leq VaR_{t|t-1} \\ 0 \text{ if } r_t > VaR_{t|t-1} \end{cases}$$

• And calculate the number of exceedances (n_1) / no exceedances (n_0)

$$n_1 = \sum_{t=T^*+1}^T e_t$$
$$n_0 = n - n_1$$

where $n = T - T^*$ is the number of observations with which we evaluate VaR

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- How many exceedances should we expect?
- For a well specified model
 e_t should be IID with:

 $e_t \sim B(1, p)$ $n_1 \sim B(n, p)$

where B(n, p) is binomial distribution with n trials and probability p

Distribution of n_1 for n = 250

	p = 5%			p = 1%
n_1	pdf	cdf	pdf	cdf
0	0.0	0.0	8.1	8.1
1	0.0	0.0	20.5	28.6
2	0.0	0.0	25.7	54.3
3	0.1	0.1	21.5	75.8
4	0.3	0.5	13.4	89.2
5	0.9	1.3	6.7	95.9
6	1.8	3.1	2.7	98.6
8	5.4	11.9	0.3	99.9
10	9.6	29.1	0.0	100.0
12	11.6	51.8	0.0	100.0
14	10.0	72.9	0.0	100.0
16	6.4	87.5	0.0	100.0
18	3.1	95.3	0.0	100.0
20	1.2	98.5	0.0	100.0 87

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Basel Committee "Traffic lights" approach

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Zone	Exceedances	Plus Factor k	cdf
	0	0.00	8.11
	1	0.00	28.58
	2	0.00	54.32
	3	0.00	75.81
	4	0.00	89.22
	5	0.40	95.88
	6	0.50	98.63
	7	0.65	99.60
	8	0.75	99.89
	9	0.85	99.97
	10+	1.00	99.99

Quantitative standards Basel II

e. The multiplication factor will be set by individual supervisory authorities on the basis of their assessment of the quality of the bank's risk management system, subject to an absolute minimum of 3. Banks will be required to add to this factor a "plus" directly related to the ex-post performance of the model, thereby introducing a built in positive incentive to maintain the predictive quality of the model. The plus will range from 0 to 1 based on the outcome of_{RR} so-called "backtesting."

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Exercise 4.1.

A VaR_p model was evaluated with a backtest using n observations. Let $\pi = n_1/n$ be the share of VaR exceedances, where n_1 is the number of VaR exceedances.

Calculate the 95% interval (left tailed and centered) for n_1 and π using dbinom/pbinom/qbinom functions in R, assuming that the VaR model is well specified and that:

a. n = 250, p = 1%
b. n = 250, p = 5%
c. n = 100, p = 5%
d. n = 100, p = 5%
Discuss the results

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Backtesting: what we verify?

• For a model $e_t = \alpha + v_t$ we test for **unconditional coverage**:

 $H_0: \alpha = p$

• For a model $e_t = \alpha + \rho e_{t-1} + \nu_t$ we test for **independence**:

$$H_0: \rho = 0$$

and unconditional coverage:

$$H_0: \alpha = p \land \rho = 0$$

Why shouldn't we use LS regression to test the above hypotheses?

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Kupiec test: unconditional coverage

• Let e_t are *IID* $B(\alpha)$ so that the likelihood of α given n_1 exceedeances in sample $n = n_0 + n_1$ is:

$$\mathcal{L}(\alpha|n_0, n_1) = \binom{n_0 + n_1}{n_1} \alpha^{n_1} (1 - \alpha)^{n_0}$$

The formula for ML estimator:

$$\pi = \hat{\alpha} = n_1/n$$

• We can test the null of **unconditional coverage (Kupiec) test**:

$$H_0: \alpha = p$$

By calculating the likelihood ratio:

$$LR_{UC} = \frac{\mathcal{L}(p|n_0, n_1)}{\mathcal{L}(\pi|n_0, n_1)} = \frac{p^{n_1}(1-p)^{n_0}}{\pi^{n_1}(1-\pi)^{n_0}}$$

and the likelihood ratio test statistic:

$$-2\ln(LR_{UC})\sim\chi^2(1)$$

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Christoffersen test: independence

Let's assume that the distribution of e_t depends on history:

$$e_t \sim \begin{cases} B(0, \alpha_0) \text{ if } e_{t-1} = 0\\ B(0, \alpha_1) \text{ if } e_{t-1} = 1 \end{cases}$$

• The likelihood for $i \in \{0,1\}$ is:

$$\mathcal{L}_{i}(\alpha_{i}|n_{i0}, n_{i1}) = \binom{n_{i0} + n_{i1}}{n_{i1}} \alpha_{i}^{n_{i1}} (1 - \alpha_{i})^{n_{i0}}$$

where $n_{ij} = \#(e_{t-1} = i \land e_{t} = j)$.

ML estimator of *α_i*:

$$\pi_i = \hat{\alpha}_i = n_{i1}/(n_{i0} + n_{i1})$$

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Christoffersen test: independence

The null of independence Christofersen test:

$$H_0: \alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = \alpha$$

• Under the null the ML estimate for a single probability is :

$$\pi = \hat{\alpha} = (n_{01} + n_{11}) / (n_{00} + n_{01} + n_{10} + n_{11})$$

• The likelihood ratio is:

 $LR_{IND} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_0(\pi | n_{00}, n_{01}) \times \mathcal{L}_1(\pi | n_{10}, n_{11})}{\mathcal{L}_0(\pi_0 | n_{00}, n_{01}) \times \mathcal{L}_1(\pi_1 | n_{10}, n_{11})} = \frac{\pi^{(n_{01} + n_{11})}(1 - \pi)^{(n_{00} + n_{10})}}{\pi_0^{n_{01}}(1 - \pi_0)^{n_{00}} \times \pi_1^{n_{11}}(1 - \pi_1)^{n_{10}}}$

with the likelihood ratio test statistic:

$$-2\ln(LR_{IND}) \sim \chi^2(1)$$

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Christoffersen test: conditional coverage

- Conditional coverage Christofersen test is a joint test of of unconditional coverage and independence
- For the null of the test:

$$H_0: \alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = p$$

the likelihood ratio is:

$$LR_{CC} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_0(p|n_{00}, n_{01}) \times \mathcal{L}_1(p|n_{10}, n_{11})}{\mathcal{L}_0(\pi_0|n_{00}, n_{01}) \times \mathcal{L}_1(\pi_1|n_{10}, n_{11})} = \frac{p^{(n_{01}+n_{11})}(1-p)^{(n_{00}+n_{10})}}{\pi_0^{n_{01}}(1-\pi_0)^{n_{00}} \times \pi_1^{n_{11}}(1-\pi_1)^{n_{10}}}$$

 $LR_{CC} = LR_{IND} \times LR_{UC}$

with the likelihood ratio test statistic:

$$-2\ln(LR_{CC})\sim\chi^2(2)$$

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Backtesting - illustration

- Number of observations: n = 2500
- Expected number of exceedances: np = 125
- Realized number of exceedances: $n_1 = 124$
- Kupiec UC test decission: H_0
- Christofersen CC test decission



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How should we improve the VaR model?

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Backtesting ES: McNeila and Freya test

• Let $\tau = t_1, t_2, ..., t_{n_1}$ be the periods of VaR exceedances ($r_{\tau} < VaR_{\tau|\tau-1}$). Given the definition of ES:

$$ES_{\tau|\tau-1} = E(r_{\tau}|r_{\tau} < VaR_{\tau|\tau-1})$$

for a well specified ES model the variable:

$$z_{\tau} = \frac{r_{\tau} - ES_{\tau|\tau-1}}{\sigma_{\tau|\tau-1}}$$

should have D(0,1), where $\sigma_{\tau|\tau-1}$ is the conditional standard deviation

The null of McNeil and Frey test:

$$H_0: E(z_t) = 0$$

can be thereby verified with the standard *t* test (or bootstrapped version):

$$t = \frac{\bar{z}}{\hat{\sigma}_z / \sqrt{n_1}} \sim t_{v=n_1-1}$$

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Berkovitz test: backtesting VaR for all p

PIT – probability Integral Transform (already discussed in Block 1)

$$PIT_{t|t-1} = \int_{-\infty}^{r_t} p_{t|t-1} (u) du$$

where $p_{t|t-1}$ () is forecasted pdf for returns.

- For a well calibrated model the $PIT_{t|t-1}$ should be $IID \ U(0,1)$, hence $z_t = \Phi^{-1}(PIT_{t|t-1})$ should be IID N(0,1)
- We can check it by estimating a model:

 $z_t = \alpha + \rho z_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$

and verifying the null of the Berkowitz test:

$$H_0: \alpha = 0 \land \rho = 0$$

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Exercises

Exercise 4.2.

Build a portfolio consisting of two stocks quoted on WSE (you can download the data with)
data <- read.csv("http://web.sgh.waw.pl/~mrubas/EFII/Dane/wig.csv", row.names = "X")
Backtest risk models for the portfolio by making the following steps:</pre>

- A. Make a graph of historical time series.
- **B**. Select tolerance level (p = 5% or p = 1%) and evaluation sample (n = 250)
- C. Calculate the share of VaR exceedances for univariate models (nomal, HS, EWMA)
- D. Backtest univariate models with Kupiec / Christofersen / McNnail-Frey tests
- E. [Difficult] Try to perform points C and D for multivariate normal and compare with univariate normal. Are the results the same?
- F. [Difficult] Try to perform points C and D for more sophisticated methods (GRACH, MGARCH, Copula)

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