

1 Question 1 - Methodology

1.1 Point a) Derive a GAS model for μ_t

Let Y_t be the VIX at time t and consider the following model:

$$Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{Ga}(\mu_t, a)$$

where $\mathcal{Ga}(\mu_t, a)$ is the Gamma distribution with mean $\mu_t > 0$ and scale $a > 0$ with probability density function given by:

$$p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} a^a y_t^{a-1} \mu_t^{-a} \exp\left(-a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t}\right)$$

We implement the parameterization of the Gamma distribution used by Engle and Gallo (2006) where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] &= \mu_t \\ \mathbb{V}[Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] &= \frac{\mu_t^2}{a}\end{aligned}$$

Derive a GAS model for μ_t and scale the score by the inverse of the square root of the Fisher information quantity for μ_t , i.e. set $d = 1/2$ in slide 19 of Lecture 10. Note that

$$E[Y_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] = \frac{\mu_t^2(1+a)}{a}$$

If you cannot derive the information quantity, use identity scaling, i.e. $d = 0$.

We start by logging the density function to make it easier to take the derivative w.r.t. μ_t

$$\begin{aligned}p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} a^a y_t^{a-1} \mu_t^{-a} \exp\left(-a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t}\right) \\ \ln[p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})] &= \ln\left[\frac{1}{\Gamma(a)} a^a y_t^{a-1} \mu_t^{-a} \exp\left(-a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t}\right)\right] \\ \ln[p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})] &= \underbrace{\ln(1)}_{=0} - \ln(\Gamma(a)) + a \ln(a) + (a-1) \ln(y_t) - a \ln(\mu_t) - a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t} \\ \ln[p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})] &= -\ln(\Gamma(a)) + a \ln(a) + (a-1) \ln(y_t) - a \ln(\mu_t) - a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t}\end{aligned}$$

Now we want to find the score of the conditional distribution (∇_t)

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_t &= \frac{\partial \ln[p(y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1})]}{\partial \mu_t} = -\frac{a}{\mu_t} - \left(-\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2}\right) \\ \nabla_t &= -\frac{a}{\mu_t} + \frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} \\ \nabla_t &= \frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t}\end{aligned}$$

We know from slides (Lecture 9 slide 17) that the score ∇_t has zero expectation. The derivation below is pasted from slides, whereas we write ψ .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{t-1}[\nabla_t] &= \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \frac{\partial \log p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi)}{\partial \psi_t} p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi) dy \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \frac{\partial p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi)}{\partial \psi_t} \frac{1}{p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi)} p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi) dy \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \frac{\partial p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi)}{\partial \psi_t} dy \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_t} \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{1:t-1}; \psi) dy \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi_t} 1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbb{E}_{t-1} [\nabla_t] = 0$ we can write the Fisher information matrix $\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{V}(\nabla_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} [\nabla_t^2] = \mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right)^2 \right]}_{\mathbb{E}_{t-1} [\nabla_t^2]} \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right)^2 \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{a}{\mu_t} \right)^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2 y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} + \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{a^2 y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2 y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} + \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{a^2 y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2 y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} \right] + \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[2 \cdot \frac{a^2 y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2 y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} \right] + \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[2 \cdot \frac{a^2 y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Now we can use the information given in the question, namely

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] &= \mu_t \\
\mathbb{E}[Y_t^2 | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] &= \frac{\mu_t^2(1+a)}{a} \\
\mathbb{V}[Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] &= \frac{\mu_t^2}{a}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2 y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} \right] + \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \right] - \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[2 \cdot \frac{a^2 y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= a^2 \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{y_t^2}{\mu_t^4} \right] + a^2 \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{1}{\mu_t^2} \right] - 2a^2 \mathbb{E}_{t-1} \left[\frac{y_t}{\mu_t^3} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

We know that all information contained in μ_t is observable given information at time $(t-1)$ namely

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1}] = \mu_t$$

whereas we can take it outside the expectations operator, thus yielding

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^4} \mathbb{E}_{t-1} [y_t^2] + \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{2a^2}{\mu_t^3} \mathbb{E}_{t-1} [y_t] \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= a^2 \left(\frac{1}{\mu_t^4} \mathbb{E}_{t-1} [y_t^2] + \frac{1}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{2}{\mu_t^3} \mathbb{E}_{t-1} [y_t] \right) \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= a^2 \left(\frac{1}{\mu_t^4} \frac{\mu_t^2(1+a)}{a} + \frac{1}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{2}{\mu_t^3} \mu_t \right) \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= a^2 \left(\frac{1}{\mu_t^4} \frac{\mu_t^2(1+a)}{a} + \frac{1}{\mu_t^2} - 2 \frac{1}{\mu_t^2} \right) \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= a^2 \left(\frac{(1+a)}{\mu_t^2 a} - \frac{1}{\mu_t^2} \right) \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \frac{a^2 + a^3}{\mu_t^2 a} - \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \frac{a + a^2}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \frac{a}{\mu_t^2} + \cancel{\frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2}} - \frac{a^2}{\mu_t^2} \\
\mathcal{I}_t(\mu_t) &= \frac{a}{\mu_t^2}
\end{aligned}$$

We are given $d = 1/2$ whereas we have inverse square root scaling - thus we can now write up an expression for u_t

$$\begin{aligned}
u_t &= \mathcal{I}_t^{-1/2} \nabla_t \\
u_t &= \left(\frac{a}{\mu_t^2} \right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right) \\
u_t &= \left(\frac{\mu_t^2}{a} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right) \\
u_t &= \frac{\mu_t}{\sqrt{a}} \left(\frac{ay_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{a}{\mu_t} \right) \\
u_t &= \frac{a}{\sqrt{a}} \left(\frac{\mu_t y_t}{\mu_t^2} - \frac{\mu_t 1}{\mu_t} \right) \\
u_t &= \sqrt{a} \left(\frac{y_t}{\mu_t} - 1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

We know from slides (Lecture 9 slide 22) that for $d = 1/2$ we have $\tilde{u}_t = u_t$. We introduce an exponential link function as y_t (VIX index) only can take on positive values, thus we have

$$\mu_t = \exp(\tilde{\mu}_t)$$

Thus we can derive the Gamma GAS updating equation as the following and thus we have the requested GAS model for μ_t .

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\mu}_t &= \omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-1} \\
\tilde{\mu}_t &= \omega + \alpha \left[\sqrt{a} \left(\frac{y_{t-1}}{\mu_{t-1}} - 1 \right) \right] + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-1} \\
\tilde{\mu}_t &= \omega + \alpha \left[\sqrt{a} \left(\frac{y_{t-1}}{\exp(\tilde{\mu}_{t-1})} - 1 \right) \right] + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-1}
\end{aligned}$$

1.2 Point b) Derive a GAS model for μ_t

We know from point a) that the individual likelihood contributions can be written as

$$\ln [p(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{t:t-1}, \mu_t, a)] = -\ln(\Gamma(a)) + a \ln(a) + (a-1) \ln(y_t) - a \ln(\mu_t) - a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t}$$

We take the sum (log-product) to derive the full log-likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln [L(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{t:t-1}, \mu_t, a)] &= \sum_{t=1}^T -\ln(\Gamma(a)) + a \ln(a) + (a-1) \ln(y_t) - a \ln(\mu_t) - a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t} \\
\ln [L(y_t | \mathbf{y}_{t:t-1}, \mu_t, a)] &= T [-\ln(\Gamma(a)) + a \ln(a)] + \sum_{t=1}^T \left[(a-1) \ln(y_t) - a \ln(\mu_t) - a \frac{y_t}{\mu_t} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

2 Question 1 - Computational Part

2.1 Point a)

Write a function to estimate the GAMMA-GAS model of the previous point using the Maximum Likelihood estimator. The function should accept a vector of observations and return the estimated parameters, the filtered means μ_t , for $t = 1, \dots, T$, and the log likelihood evaluated at its maximum value. Assume that ω , α , and β are the intercept, score coefficient and autoregressive coefficient of the GAS process. Impose the following constraints during the optimization: $\omega \in [-0.5, 0.5]$, $\alpha \in [0.001, 1.5]$, $\beta \in [0.01, 0.999]$, $a \in [0.1, 300]$.

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To estimate the Gamma GAS model using Maximum Likelihood I first derive the unconditional value of μ_t for initializing the model

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-1} \\
 \xRightarrow{\text{Recursive substitution}} & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta (\omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-2}) \\
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta (\omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta [\omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-3} + \beta \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}]) \\
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-1} + (\beta \omega + \beta \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \omega + \beta^2 \alpha \tilde{u}_{t-3} + \beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}) \\
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \beta \omega + \beta^2 \omega + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) + \beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3} \\
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega + \beta \omega + \beta^2 \omega + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) + \beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3} \\
 & \tilde{\mu}_t = \omega (1 + \beta + \beta^2) + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) + \beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Intermezzo, geometric series

$$a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + ar^4 + \dots = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ar^k = \frac{a}{1-r}, \text{ for } |r| < 1 \quad (\text{Geo 1})$$

Thus we can use Equation (Geo 1) to reduce the first part, as $|\beta| < 1$ by construction

$$\tilde{\mu}_t = \frac{\omega}{1-\beta} + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) + \beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$ the part $[\beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}]$ goes becomes infinitesimal and thus can be ignored.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\mu}_t &= \frac{\omega}{1-\beta} + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) + \underbrace{\beta^3 \tilde{\mu}_{t-3}}_{=0, \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty} \\
 \tilde{\mu}_t &= \frac{\omega}{1-\beta} + \alpha (\tilde{u}_{t-1} + \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} + \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3}) \\
 \tilde{\mu}_t &= \frac{\omega}{1-\beta} + \alpha \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s \tilde{u}_{t-1-s}
 \end{aligned}$$

The sum can be interpreted as,

$$\begin{aligned}
 s = 0 & \implies \tilde{u}_{t-1} \\
 s = 1 & \implies \beta \tilde{u}_{t-2} \\
 s = 2 & \implies \beta^2 \tilde{u}_{t-3} \\
 & \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we can take the unconditional expectation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E} [\tilde{\mu}_t] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\omega}{1-\beta} + \alpha \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s \tilde{u}_{t-1-s} \right] \\
 \mathbb{E} [\tilde{\mu}_t] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\omega}{1-\beta} \right] + \mathbb{E} \left[\alpha \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s \tilde{u}_{t-1-s} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

We know from slide 18 of Lecture 9 that the forcing variable u_t has zero expectation. Thus we now have an expression for the unconditional expectation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E} [\tilde{\mu}_t] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\omega}{1-\beta} \right] + \underbrace{\mathbb{E} \left[\alpha \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta^s \tilde{u}_{t-1-s} \right]}_{=0} \\
 \mathbb{E} [\tilde{\mu}_t] &= \frac{\omega}{1-\beta}
 \end{aligned}$$

3 Question 1 - Empirical Analysis

3.1 Point d)

Engle and Gallo (2006) introduced a series of Multiplicative Error Models to model positive valued series like the VIX. In their simpler specification, they assume that:

$$Y_t | \mathcal{F}_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{Ga}(\mu_t, a)$$

and

$$\mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi \mu_{t-1}$$

- Write a function to estimate the MEM model of Engle and Gallo (2006). Impose these constraints on the parameters of the MEM model: $\kappa \in [0.1, 10]$, $\eta \in [0.01, 0.99]$, $\phi \in [0.01, 0.99]$, and $a \in [0.1, 300]$.

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To estimate this model using the Maximum Likelihood estimator I need to derive the unconditional mean of the model following the procedure in Point a) of Computational part.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi \mu_{t-1} \\
 \xRightarrow{\text{Recursive substitution}} & \mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi [\kappa + \eta y_{t-2} + \phi \mu_{t-2}] \\
 & \mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi [\kappa + \eta y_{t-2} + \phi (\kappa + \eta y_{t-3} + \phi \mu_{t-3})] \\
 & \mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi [\kappa + \eta y_{t-2} + \phi \kappa + \phi \eta y_{t-3} + \phi^2 \mu_{t-3}] \\
 & \mu_t = \kappa + \eta y_{t-1} + \phi \kappa + \phi \eta y_{t-2} + \phi^2 \kappa + \phi^2 \eta y_{t-3} + \phi^3 \mu_{t-3} \\
 \xRightarrow{\text{Re-arrange}} & \mu_t = \kappa + \phi \kappa + \phi^2 \kappa + \eta [y_{t-1} + \phi y_{t-2} + \phi^2 y_{t-3}] + \phi^3 \mu_{t-3} \\
 & \mu_t = \kappa (1 + \phi + \phi^2) + \eta [y_{t-1} + \phi y_{t-2} + \phi^2 y_{t-3}] + \phi^3 \mu_{t-3} \\
 & \mu_t = \underbrace{\frac{\kappa}{1 - \phi}}_{\text{Using Geo 1}} + \eta [y_{t-1} + \phi y_{t-2} + \phi^2 y_{t-3}] + \phi^3 \mu_{t-3} \\
 & \mu_t = \frac{\kappa}{1 - \phi} + \eta [y_{t-1} + \phi y_{t-2} + \phi^2 y_{t-3}] + \underbrace{\phi^3 \mu_{t-3}}_{=0, \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty} \\
 & \mu_t = \frac{\kappa}{1 - \phi} + \eta [y_{t-1} + \phi y_{t-2} + \phi^2 y_{t-3}] \\
 & \mu_t = \frac{\kappa}{1 - \phi} + \eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s y_{t-s-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we take the unconditional expectation

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s y_{t-s-1}\right] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\kappa}{1-\phi}\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[\eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s y_{t-s-1}\right] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \mathbb{E}\left[\eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s y_{t-s-1}\right] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \mathbb{E}\left[\eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s y_{t-s-1}\right] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \mathbb{E}\left[\eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s \underbrace{y_{t-s-1}}_{\mathbb{E}[y_{t-s-1]} = \mathbb{E}[\mu_t] \text{ uncon.}}\right] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \eta \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \phi^s \mathbb{E}[\mu_t] \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} + \underbrace{\frac{\eta}{1-\phi} \mathbb{E}[\mu_t]}_{\text{Geo. series}} \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] - \frac{\eta}{1-\phi} \mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] \left(1 - \frac{\eta}{1-\phi}\right) &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi} \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\frac{\kappa}{1-\phi}}{\left(1 - \frac{\eta}{1-\phi}\right)} \\
\stackrel{\substack{\implies \\ \text{substitute } \frac{(1-\phi)}{(1-\phi)}=1}}{\implies} \mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\frac{\kappa}{1-\phi}}{\left(\frac{(1-\phi)}{(1-\phi)} - \frac{\eta}{1-\phi}\right)} \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\frac{\kappa}{1-\phi}}{\frac{1-\phi-\eta}{1-\phi}} \\
\mathbb{E}[\mu_t] &= \frac{\kappa}{1-\phi-\eta}
\end{aligned}$$

4 Question 2 - Methodology

4.1 Point a)

Consider the bivariate random vector $\mathbf{Y}_t = (Y_{1,t}, Y_{2,t})'$, where $Y_{1,t}$ and $Y_{2,t}$ are the GSPC and DJI returns at time t , respectively.

- Assume that $\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1}$ is bivariate Gaussian with mean $\mathbf{0}$ and variance covariance matrix Σ_t
 - Derive a DCC model for Σ_t assuming that each marginal process is GARCH(1, 1).
 - Clearly state the constraints of the model.
 - Detail how the likelihood factorizes and what this implies for the estimation of the model parameters.
 - Obtain the Constant correlation model (CCC) as a special case of the DCC

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4.2 Point a, 1) Derive the DCC model

We have that $\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1}$ follows

$$\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_t)$$

We can write up the standardized returns as

$$\boldsymbol{\eta}_t = \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{y}_t$$

Where \mathbf{D}_t is a diagonal matrix with elements modeled from univariate GARCH processes (variances)

$$\mathbf{D}_t = \text{diag}(\text{Var}_{t-1}(y_{1,t}), \dots, \text{Var}_{t-1}(y_{N,t}))$$

We know that we can write the conditional GARCH process as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Y}_t &= (y_{1,t}, \dots, y_{N,t}) \\ y_{i,t} &= \sigma_{i,t} \varepsilon_t \\ \sigma_{i,t}^2 &= \omega + \alpha_i y_{i,t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{i,t-1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can also write the diagonal matrix more explicitly as

$$\mathbf{D}_t = \text{diag}(\sigma_{1,t}^2, \dots, \sigma_{N,t}^2)$$

We know that in the DCC framework we can write

$$\Sigma_t = \mathbf{D}_t^{1/2} \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{D}_t^{1/2}$$

Where \mathbf{R}_t is an evaluation matrix with elements $\{\rho_{ij,t}\}$. We can write this as

$$E_{t-1}(\boldsymbol{\eta}_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t') = \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{H}_t \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} = \mathbf{R}_t = \{\rho_{ij,t}\}$$

We require that \mathbf{R}_t is positively defined we can employ following transformation

$$\mathbf{R}_t = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{Q}_t \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_t^{-1/2}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_t$ is a diagonal matrix with elements $\tilde{q}_{ii,t} = q_{ii,t}$. This implies that the conditional correlations are

$$\rho_{ij,t} = \frac{q_{ij,t}}{\sqrt{\tilde{q}_{ii,t} \tilde{q}_{jj,t}}}$$

Where $q_{ij,t}$ are assumed to follow a GARCH(1,1) model

$$\mathbf{Q}_t = \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(1 - a - b) + a(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{t-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_{t-1}') + b(\mathbf{Q}_{t-1})$$

$\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ is fixed to the emperical evaluation of $\boldsymbol{\eta}_t \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_t = \overline{\mathbf{R}}_t = \text{cor}(z_t)$ used in the CCC model

To derive the log-likelihood we need to compute the density of $\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1}$. This bivariate form of normal distribution comes from wiki.

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{|\Sigma_t|}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} [(\mathbf{Y}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \right\} \\ \xRightarrow{\mu=0} p(\mathbf{Y}_t \mid \mathcal{F}_{t-1}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{|\Sigma_t|}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} [(\mathbf{Y}_t)' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t)] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Writing up the likelihood function and taking the log

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \prod_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{|\Sigma_t|}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} [(\mathbf{Y}_t)' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t)] \right\} \\ \ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= \sum_{t=1}^T -\ln(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(|\Sigma_t|) - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t) \\ \ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\Sigma_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t) \end{aligned}$$

Now we want to factorize the model

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln \left(\left| \underbrace{\Sigma_t}_{\mathbf{D}_t^{1/2} \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{D}_t^{1/2}} \right| \right) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \Sigma_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t) \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln \left(\left| \mathbf{D}_t^{1/2} \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{D}_t^{1/2} \right| \right) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{Y}_t) \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|) + \frac{1}{2} \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + \underbrace{(\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2}}_{=\boldsymbol{\eta}'_t} \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \underbrace{\mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{Y}_t)}_{=\boldsymbol{\eta}_t} \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|) + \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t
\end{aligned}$$

Adding and subtracting

$$(\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{Y}_t) = \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t$$

Thus yielding

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} \mathbf{D}_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{Y}_t) - \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|) + \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T 2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t) - \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|) + \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t)\} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{\boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t - \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|)\}
\end{aligned}$$

Now we can decompose this into a Volatility component and a Correlation component

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln \{\mathcal{L}_V(\theta)\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t)\} \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}_C(\theta, \phi)\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{\boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t - \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|)\}
\end{aligned}$$

Where θ denotes the parameters in \mathbf{D}_t and ϕ the parameters in \mathbf{R}_t

4.3 Point a, 2) Clearly state the constraints of the model

We require \mathbf{Q}_t to be positive-definite. This ensures that when mapping to \mathbf{R}_t this will also be positive definite.

TODO: Er alpha + beta < 1 en condition her?

4.4 Point a, 3) Detail how the likelihood factorizes and what this implies for the estimation of the model parameters.

We can factorize the likelihood function into a volatility and correlation component. This implies that we can estimate θ and ϕ in a two step process.

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln \{\mathcal{L}_V(\theta)\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{2 \ln(2\pi) + \ln(|\mathbf{D}_t|) + (\mathbf{Y}_t)' \mathbf{D}_t^{-1} (\mathbf{Y}_t)\} \\
\ln \{\mathcal{L}_C(\theta, \phi)\} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \{\boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \mathbf{R}_t^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_t - \boldsymbol{\eta}'_t \boldsymbol{\eta}_t + \ln(|\mathbf{R}_t|)\}
\end{aligned}$$

4.5 Point a, 4) Obtain the Constant correlation model (CCC) as a special case of the DCC

We know that \mathbf{R}_t is constant $\mathbf{R}_t = \mathbf{R}$ in the CCC model. Thus we can just generalize the DCC model to account for a constant \mathbf{R} .