Time Series Analysis

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Since

$$\eta_t = r_t^2 - \sigma_{t|t-1}^2, \quad r_t = \sigma_{t|t-1} \epsilon_t, \label{eq:eta_t}$$

where $\{\epsilon_t\}$ is a sequence of i.i.d random variables with zero mean and unit variance and ϵ_t is independent of $r_{t-j}, j=1,2,...$, we have

$$\begin{split} E(\eta_t) &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1)) \\ &= E(E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots))) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2 E((\epsilon_t^2 - 1)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2 \times 0) \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

 $\forall k > 0,$

$$\begin{split} E(\eta_t \eta_{t-k}) &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1)(r_{t-k}^2 - \sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)) \\ &= E(E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1)(r_{t-k}^2 - \sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(r_{t-k}^2 - \sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)E((\epsilon_t^2 - 1)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(r_{t-k}^2 - \sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)E((\epsilon_t^2 - 1)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= 0 \\ E(\eta_t r_{t-k}^2) &= E(\eta_t \eta_{t-k}) + E(\eta_t \sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2) \\ &= 0 + E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1)(\sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)) \\ &= E(E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2(\epsilon_t^2 - 1)(\sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2\sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2E((\epsilon_t^2 - 1)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \\ &= E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^2\sigma_{t-k|t-k-1}^2E((\epsilon_t^2 - 1)|r_{t-j}, j = 1, 2, \ldots)) \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$Cov(\eta_t, \eta_{t-k}) = E(\eta_t \eta_{t-k}) - E(\eta_t) E(\eta_{t-k}) = 0$$

and

$$Cov(\eta_t, r_{t-k}^2) = E(\eta_t r_{t-k}^2) - E(\eta_t) E(r_{t-k}^2) = 0,$$

which implies that $\{\eta_t\}$ is a serially uncorrelated sequence and η_t is uncorrelated with past squared returns.

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Substituting $\sigma_{t|t-1}^2 = r_t^2 - \eta_t$ into Equation (12.2.2), we have

$$r_t^2 - \eta_t = \omega + \alpha r_{t-1}^2,$$

which implies

$$r_t^2 = \omega + \alpha r_{t-1}^2 + \eta_t.$$

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By Equation (12.2.2), we have

$$\sigma_{t|t-1}^2 = \omega + \alpha r_{t-1}^2.$$

Squaring both sides of the equation, we have

$$\sigma^4_{t|t-1} = \omega^2 + 2\omega \alpha r^2_{t-1} + \alpha^2 r^4_{t-1}.$$

Let τ denote $E(\sigma_{t|t-1}^4)$ and σ^2 denote $E(r_{t-1}^2)$. Equation (12.2.7) tells us that $E(r_t^4)=3\tau$. Therefore, taking expectation on both sides of the equation above yields that

$$\tau = \omega^2 + 2\omega\alpha\sigma^2 + \alpha^2 3\tau.$$