MGARCH

An R Package for Fitting Multivariate GARCH Models

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1. Univariate GARCH

Example: GARCH(1, 1).

Model equations:

$$r_t = \mu_t + \epsilon_t,$$

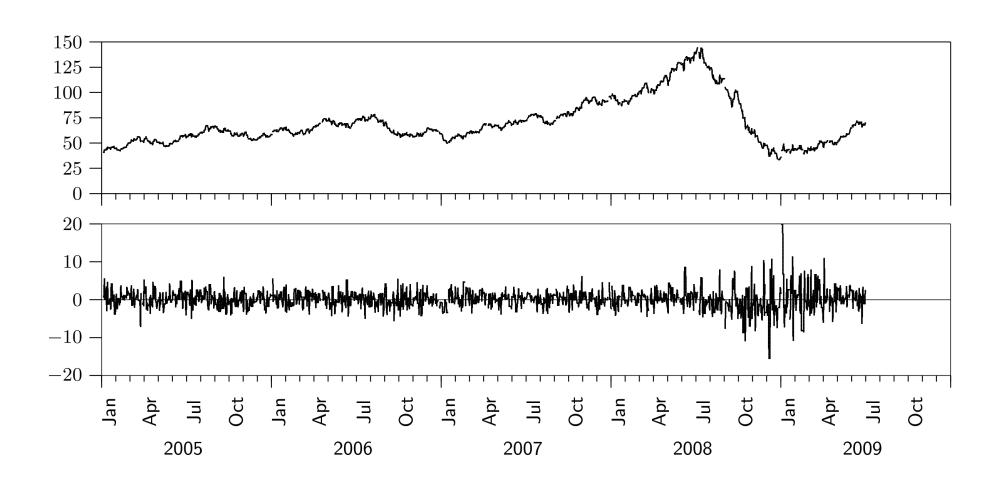
$$\epsilon_t = \nu_t \cdot \sqrt{h_t},$$

$$h_t = \alpha_0 + \underbrace{\alpha_1 \epsilon_{t-1}^2}_{\mathsf{ARCH \ term}} + \underbrace{\beta_1 h_{t-1}}_{\mathsf{GARCH \ term}}$$

- (ν_t) : white noise with $\sigma_{\nu}^2 = \text{var}(\nu_t) = 1$.
- Parameters $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \beta_1 \geq 0$ such that $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 < 1$.

1. Univariate GARCH

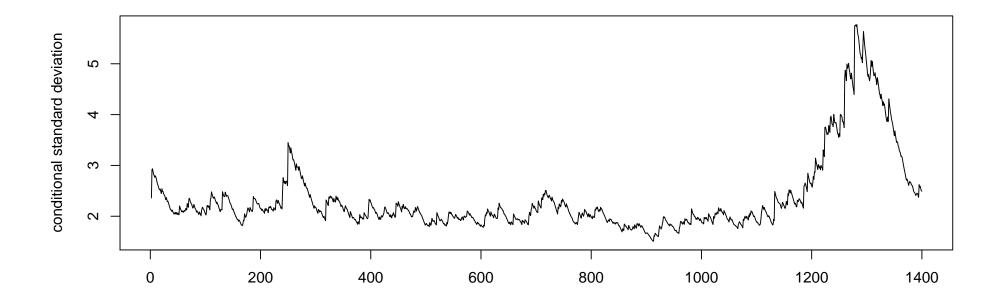
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1. Univariate GARCH

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Typical result: the series of conditional standard deviations.



(Obtained using garch from package tseries.)

2. Multivariate GARCH

Example: BEKK(1,1).

Model equations:

$$r_t = M_t + \epsilon_t,$$

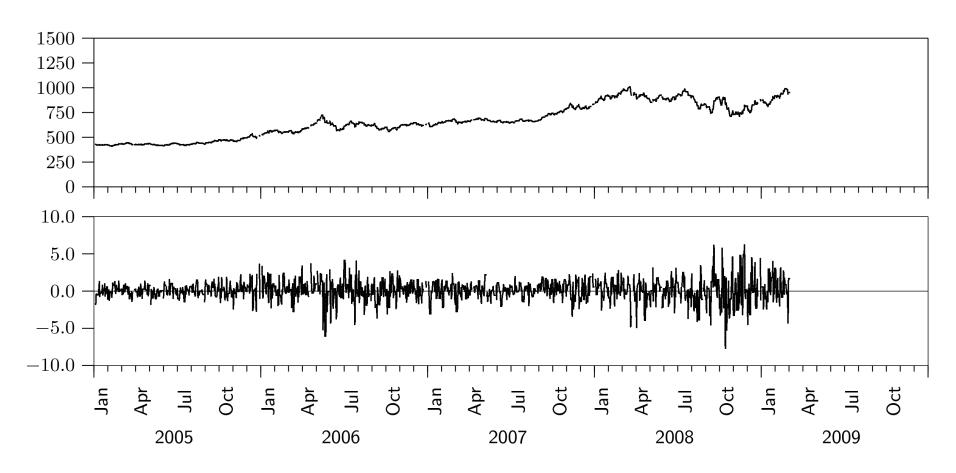
$$\epsilon_t = \mathbf{H}_t^{1/2} \cdot \nu_t,$$

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \mathbf{C'C} + \underbrace{\mathbf{A'}\epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-1}'\mathbf{A}}_{\mathsf{ARCH}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{B'H}_{t-1}\mathbf{B}}_{\mathsf{GARCH}}$$

- (ν_t) : white noise with $var(\nu_t) = I$.
- Parameters matrices C, A, B.

2. Multivariate GARCH

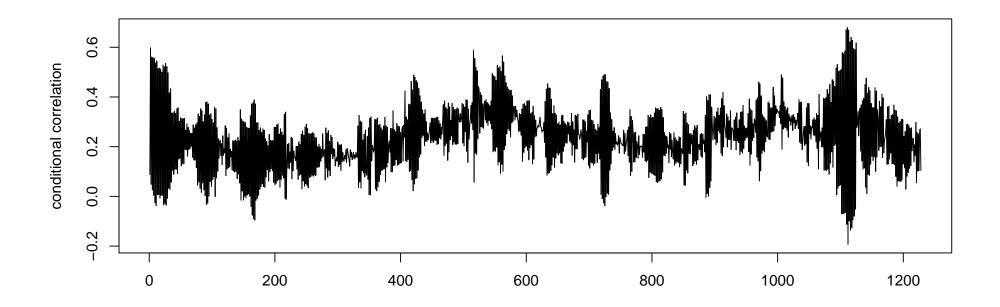
Example: The price of gold (in USD).



2. Multivariate GARCH

Example: Daily returns on Brent crude oil and on gold.

Typical result: the series of conditional correlations.



(Obtained using mvBEKK.est from package mgarch.)

3. MGARCH Functionality

So far:

- BEKK models:
 - fitting, diagnostics, simulation
 - any size, any order
- DCC models (Tse & Tsui):
 - fitting (still slow)
 - bivariate
- bivariate asymmetric quadratic GARCH:
 - fitting, diagnostics

4. Further Functionality

Comparing returns.

	brent	gold
first day	2004-01-02	2004-01-02
last day	2009-06-30	2009-03-02
observations	1400	1297
NAs	33	50
mean	0.08899	0.07151
std error	0.07038	0.03752
var	6.25734	1.77969
std deviation	2.50147	1.33405
skewness	0.38444	-0.25295
std error	0.37698	0.20818
kurtosis	5.72231	3.35217
std error	1.98225	0.63969
min	-15.49167	-7.66241
lower quartile	-1.28346	-0.52890
median	0.08206	0.07101
upper quartile	1.41644	0.75006
max	19.87716	6.19755
day of min	2008-12-05	2008-10-13
day of max	2009-01-02	2008-11-24

How is mgarch being developed?

- mgarch is a Free and Open Source Software.
- Actively and collectively developed
- Multisite: Turkey, Germany, China and Singapore
- Hosted on Sourceforge.net (SF.net)

How is mgarch being developed?

• Wikipedia says about SF.net:

SourceForge offers free access to hosting and tools for developers of free/open source software...

• Main mgarch webpage:

http://mgarch.sf.net

• SF.net mgarch page:

https://sourceforge.net/projects/mgarch

What and how can you contribute?

- We design, code, test and document the mgarch package.
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