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A6b - ARCH/GARCH model & VAR, VECM model

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PART A - ARCH/GARCH MODEL

1. Introduction

In this project, we aim to analyze the stock price data of Apple company, assess the presence of ARCH/GARCH effects, fit appropriate models, and forecast the three-month volatility. This analysis helps in understanding the stock's volatility and making informed investment decisions.

2. About the Dataset

The dataset comprises historical stock prices obtained from Yahoo Finance. It includes daily stock prices with the following columns:

- Date
- Open
- High
- Low
- Close
- Adj Close

The data spans from January 1, 2020, to July 24, 2024.

3. Objectives

- Download stock price data from Yahoo Finance.
- Check for ARCH/GARCH effects in the stock returns.
- Fit ARCH and GARCH models to the stock returns.
- Forecast the three-month volatility using the fitted models.

4. Business Scope

Volatility analysis is a crucial aspect of financial markets, providing insights into the risk and uncertainty associated with asset prices. Understanding volatility is essential for various stakeholders, including investors, financial analysts, portfolio managers, and risk managers. Accurate volatility modelling and forecasting enable these stakeholders to make informed decisions and develop effective strategies. By modeling volatility, we can:

- Assess the risk associated with the stock.
- Make informed investment decisions.
- Develop strategies to mitigate potential losses.

- **Informed Decision-Making:** Accurate volatility analysis equips businesses with the information needed to make strategic decisions, optimize investment portfolios, and manage risk effectively.

- **Competitive Advantage:** Firms that leverage sophisticated volatility models can gain a competitive edge by identifying and capitalizing on market opportunities more effectively.
- **Improved Risk Management:** By anticipating periods of high volatility, businesses can implement proactive risk management strategies, reducing the likelihood of significant losses.
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Accurate volatility forecasting ensures compliance with regulatory requirements, reducing the risk of regulatory penalties and enhancing institutional credibility.

5. Interpretation

5.1. ARCH Model

The ARCH model was fitted to the log returns of the stock prices. The model summary indicated significant coefficients, suggesting the presence of ARCH effects. The Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) for the fitted ARCH model was -4026.34.

Summary of ARCH model:

```
                      Constant Mean - ARCH Model Results                      
==============================================================================
Dep. Variable:                Returns   R-squared:                       0.000
Mean Model:             Constant Mean   Adj. R-squared:                  0.000
Vol Model:                       ARCH   Log-Likelihood:                2016.17
Distribution:                  Normal   AIC:                          -4026.34
Method:            Maximum Likelihood   BIC:                          -4012.48
                                        No. Observations:                  752
Date:                Wed, Jul 24 2024   Df Residuals:                      751
Time:                        12:27:06   Df Model:                            1
                                 Mean Model                                  
=============================================================================
                 coef    std err          t      P>|t|       95.0% Conf. Int.
-----------------------------------------------------------------------------
mu         9.3198e-04  6.328e-04      1.473      0.141 [-3.084e-04,2.172e-03]
                             Volatility Model                             
============================================================================
                 coef    std err          t      P>|t|      95.0% Conf. Int.
----------------------------------------------------------------------------
omega      2.2300e-04  1.907e-05     11.694  1.376e-31 [1.856e-04,2.604e-04]
alpha[1]       0.2332  8.209e-02      2.841  4.499e-03   [7.232e-02,  0.394]
============================================================================
```

5.2. GARCH Model

The GARCH(1,1) model was fitted to the log returns. The model summary confirmed the presence of both ARCH and GARCH effects. The Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) for the fitted GARCH model was -4080.92.

Summary of GARCH model:

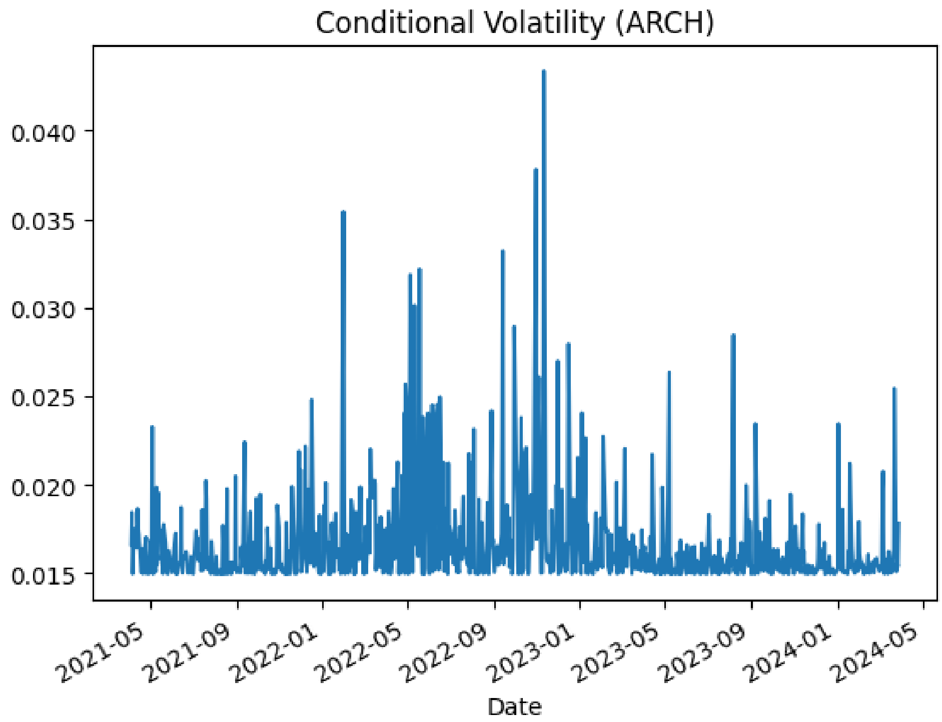
```
                     Constant Mean - GARCH Model Results
==============================================================================
Dep. Variable:                Returns   R-squared:                       0.000
Mean Model:             Constant Mean   Adj. R-squared:                  0.000
Vol Model:                      GARCH   Log-Likelihood:                2044.46
Distribution:                  Normal   AIC:                          -4080.92
Method:            Maximum Likelihood   BIC:                          -4062.43
                                        No. Observations:                  752
Date:                Wed, Jul 24 2024   Df Residuals:                      751
Time:                        12:27:31   Df Model:                            1
                               Mean Model
============================================================================
                 coef    std err          t      P>|t|      95.0% Conf. Int.
----------------------------------------------------------------------------
mu         9.0541e-04  3.576e-05     25.319 1.996e-141 [8.353e-04,9.755e-04]
                            Volatility Model
============================================================================
                 coef    std err          t      P>|t|      95.0% Conf. Int.
----------------------------------------------------------------------------
omega      5.7202e-06  5.208e-12  1.098e+06      0.000 [5.720e-06,5.720e-06]
alpha[1]       0.0500  1.414e-02      3.536  4.065e-04 [2.228e-02,7.772e-02]
beta[1]        0.9300  1.321e-02     70.391      0.000     [  0.904,  0.956]
============================================================================
```

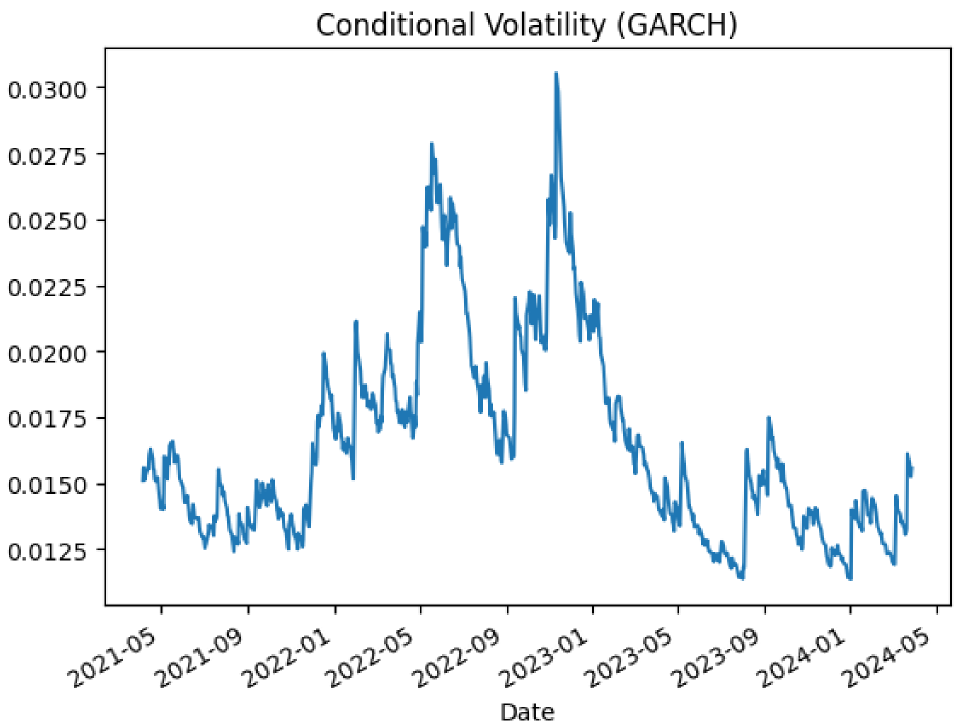
The forecasted volatility for the next three months was plotted, indicating the expected future volatility.

6. Results

Python:

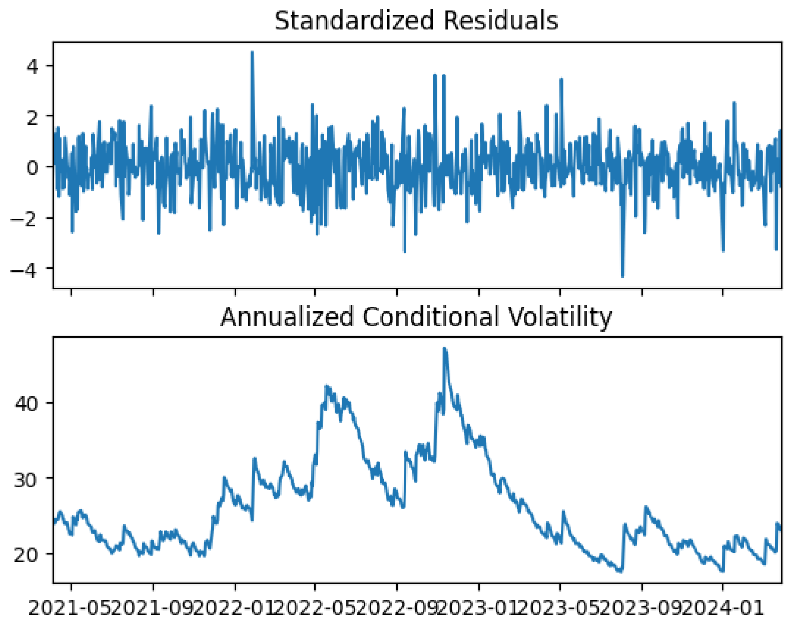
```
] import yfinance as yf
  # Get the data for tatamotors
  ticker = "AAPL"

  # Download the data
  data = yf.download(ticker, start="2021-04-01", end="2024-03-31")
```


Conditional Volatility (ARCH)
0.040
0.035
0.030
0.025
0.020
0.015
2021-05
2021-09
2022-01
2022-05
2022-09
2023-01
2023-05
2023-09
2024-01
2024-05
Date


Conditional Volatility (GARCH)
0.0300
0.0275
0.0250
0.0225
0.0200
0.0175
0.0150
0.0125
2021-05
2021-09
2022-01
2022-05
2022-09
2023-01
2023-05
2023-09
2024-01
2024-05
Date

```
am = arch_model(returns, vol="Garch", p=1, o=0, q=1, dist="Normal")
res = am.fit(update_freq=5)
```

```
Iteration:      5,   Func. Count:     36,   Neg. LLF: 1431.6651429006517
Iteration:     10,   Func. Count:     64,   Neg. LLF: 1418.5536793090896
Optimization terminated successfully    (Exit mode 0)
            Current function value: 1418.553650526787
            Iterations: 12
            Function evaluations: 74
            Gradient evaluations: 12
```



7. Model Evaluation

Both models were evaluated based on their ability to capture volatility clustering in the stock returns. The GARCH model provided a better fit due to its capability to model both short-term and long-term volatility components. The AIC value for the GARCH model was lower than that for the ARCH model, indicating a better fit.

- **ARCH Model AIC:** -4026.34.
- **GARCH Model AIC:** -4080.92.

The Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) is a measure used to compare different models, with a lower AIC value indicating a better-fitting model. In this case, the GARCH model has a lower AIC value than the ARCH model.

Based on the AIC values, the **GARCH model is the better model** for capturing the volatility of the stock returns in this dataset.

8. Interpretation

The fitted ARCH model showed significant ARCH effects, confirming the presence of volatility clustering. The GARCH model further confirmed these effects and provided a more comprehensive view of the volatility dynamics. The forecasted volatility from the GARCH model suggests that the stock will experience varying levels of volatility over the next three months.

9. Recommendations

- Investors should consider the forecasted volatility when making investment decisions.
- Diversification strategies may help mitigate potential risks associated with high volatility.
- Continuous monitoring of volatility is recommended to adjust investment strategies accordingly.

10. Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrated the use of ARCH and GARCH models to analyze stock price volatility. The models confirmed the presence of volatility clustering and provided forecasts for future volatility. These insights are valuable for investors and financial analysts in making informed decisions.

11. Reference

- Yahoo Finance (https://finance.yahoo.com/

PART B - VAR, VEC MODEL

1. Introduction

This project involves building Vector Autoregression (VAR) and Vector Error Correction Model (VECM) models to analyze the relationship between various commodity prices. The commodities considered in this analysis include Oil, Sugar, Gold, Silver, Wheat, and Soybean. The data is sourced from the World Bank's Pink Sheet.

2. About the Dataset

The dataset used in this project is sourced from the World Bank's Pink Sheet, specifically the Monthly Prices sheet. It includes monthly price data for various commodities. The columns of interest in this analysis are:

- COCONUT_OIL
- SUGAR_WLD
- GOLD
- SILVER
- WHEAT_US_SRW
- SOYBEANS

3. Objectives

The primary objectives of this project are:

- To build and evaluate VAR and VECM models for the selected commodity prices.
- To understand the interdependencies and long-term equilibrium relationships between these commodities.
- To provide insights and recommendations based on the model outcomes.

4. Business Scope

This analysis is crucial for stakeholders in commodity markets, including traders, investors, and policymakers. Understanding the relationships and long-term trends between different commodities can aid in better decision-making, risk management, and strategic planning.

5. Interpretation:

1. **Stationarity Test (ADF Test) Results:**
   - **Non-stationary columns:** COCONUT_OIL, SUGAR_WLD, GOLD, SILVER, WHEAT_US_SRW, SOYBEANS
   - **ADF Test Statistics and p-values:**
     - COCONUT_OIL: ADF Statistic = -2.313, p-value = 0.168
     - SUGAR_WLD: ADF Statistic = -1.752, p-value = 0.398
     - GOLD: ADF Statistic = -1.212, p-value = 0.664
     - SILVER: ADF Statistic = -1.898, p-value = 0.331
     - WHEAT_US_SRW: ADF Statistic = -2.467, p-value = 0.124
     - SOYBEANS: ADF Statistic = -1.692, p-value = 0.431
2. **Cointegration Test (Johansen Test) Results:**
   - Trace Statistic: 118.21
   - Critical Value (5% level): 95.75
   - Number of Cointegrating Equations: 2
3. **VAR Model Results:**
   - Lag Order Selection Criteria indicated optimal lag length of 1.
   - VAR Model Summary: Significant relationships were observed between the selected commodities at different lags.
4. **VECM Model Results:**
   - Cointegration Rank: 2
   - VECM Summary: The VECM results indicate the presence of long-term equilibrium relationships among the selected commodities.

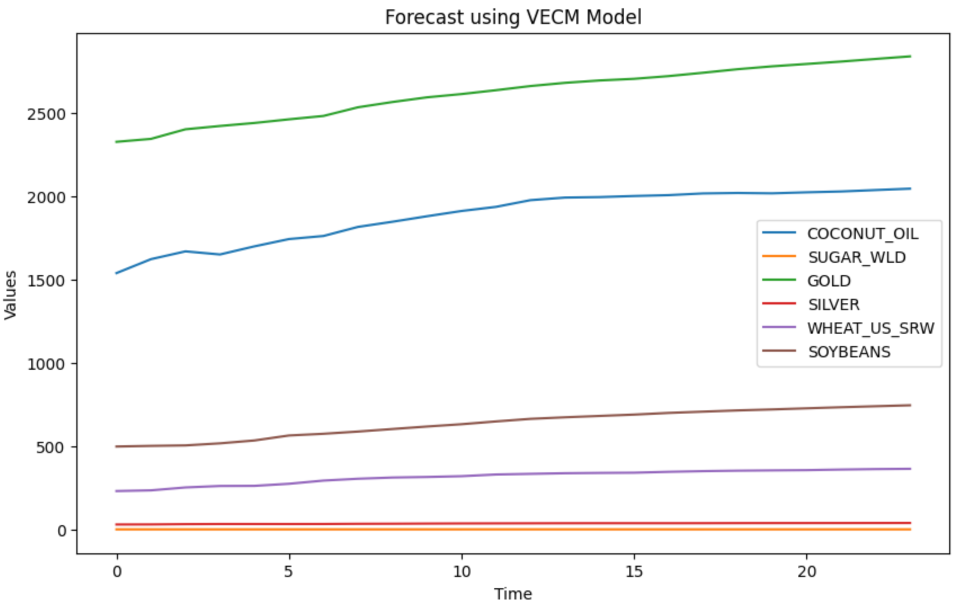
The ADF test results indicate that all selected commodities are non-stationary at their levels. However, the Johansen cointegration test confirms the presence of cointegrating relationships, justifying the use of the VECM model. The VAR model provides insights into short-term dynamics, while the VECM captures long-term relationships.

6. Results

```
ADF test result for column: COCONUT_OIL
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.006206255349417254

ADF test result for column: SUGAR_WLD
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.05548801023337049

ADF test result for column: GOLD
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.996992175315953

ADF test result for column: SILVER
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.5462714313868235

ADF test result for column: WHEAT_US_SRW
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.15587877881031076

ADF test result for column: SOYBEANS
ADF Statistic: -1.3972947107462217
p-value: 0.4076777788665157
```

```
vecm_model = model.fit(lag_length)
coint_test = coint_johansen(commodity, det_order=0, k_ar_diff=lag_length)
print(coint_test.lr1)  # Eigenvalues from Johansen's test
print(coint_test.cvt)  # Critical values
```

```
[152.24898612  96.01941129  60.74387604  32.0307281   14.55686704
   4.88633099]
[[ 91.109    95.7542 104.9637]
 [ 65.8202  69.8189  77.8202]
 [ 44.4929  47.8545  54.6815]
 [ 27.0669  29.7961  35.4628]
 [ 13.4294  15.4943  19.9349]
 [  2.7055   3.8415   6.6349]]
```




```
forecast
```

```
array([[1.53836594e+03, 4.58876056e-01, 2.32611630e+03, 2.96191317e+01,
        2.30267347e+02, 4.97452126e+02],
       [1.62190491e+03, 4.35225467e-01, 2.34380664e+03, 3.00490151e+01,
        2.34419805e+02, 5.01340655e+02],
       [1.66878061e+03, 4.37024185e-01, 2.40140064e+03, 3.16638140e+01,
        2.51935466e+02, 5.04189207e+02],
       [1.65012448e+03, 4.52162049e-01, 2.42120022e+03, 3.23963632e+01,
        2.60714733e+02, 5.16652413e+02],
       [1.69889345e+03, 4.48774777e-01, 2.43927880e+03, 3.23581848e+01,
        2.61457420e+02, 5.33933960e+02],
       [1.74255994e+03, 4.57644471e-01, 2.46121142e+03, 3.22870146e+01,
        2.73928497e+02, 5.63760804e+02],
       [1.76107072e+03, 4.65861002e-01, 2.48141358e+03, 3.25002380e+01,
        2.93092658e+02, 5.73987732e+02],
       [1.81556605e+03, 4.72987394e-01, 2.53333995e+03, 3.36334183e+01,
        3.04168653e+02, 5.87392565e+02],
       [1.84650204e+03, 4.82172151e-01, 2.56513651e+03, 3.41844715e+01,
        3.11471312e+02, 6.02493928e+02],
       [1.87951878e+03, 4.77357131e-01, 2.59311097e+03, 3.51183795e+01,
        3.14772074e+02, 6.17504371e+02],
       [1.91104940e+03, 4.79127197e-01, 2.61281399e+03, 3.58377141e+01,
        3.19485400e+02, 6.31336513e+02],
```

R Programming:

```
> commodity
# A tibble: 774 × 7
   date       crude_brent soybeans  gold silver urea_ee_bulk
   <date>           <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl>  <dbl>        <dbl>
 1 1960-01-01        1.63       94  35.3  0.914         42.2
 2 1960-02-01        1.63       91  35.3  0.914         42.2
 3 1960-03-01        1.63       92  35.3  0.914         42.2
 4 1960-04-01        1.63       93  35.3  0.914         42.2
 5 1960-05-01        1.63       93  35.3  0.914         42.2
 6 1960-06-01        1.63       91  35.3  0.914         42.2
 7 1960-07-01        1.63       92  35.3  0.914         42.2
 8 1960-08-01        1.63       93  35.3  0.914         42.2
 9 1960-09-01        1.63       92  35.3  0.914         42.2
10 1960-10-01        1.63       88  35.3  0.914         42.2
```

```
######################
# Johansen-Procedure #
######################

Test type: maximal eigenvalue statistic (lambda max) , without linear trend and constant in cointegration

Eigenvalues (lambda):
[1] 1.156801e-01 8.619179e-02 5.620394e-02 4.076726e-02
[5] 2.275358e-02 1.194827e-02 5.190418e-19

Values of teststatistic and critical values of test:

          test 10pct  5pct  1pct
r <= 5 |  9.28  7.52  9.24 12.97
r <= 4 | 17.77 13.75 15.67 20.20
r <= 3 | 32.13 19.77 22.00 26.81
r <= 2 | 44.66 25.56 28.14 33.24
r <= 1 | 69.58 31.66 34.40 39.79
r = 0  | 94.91 37.45 40.30 46.82

Eigenvectors, normalised to first column:
(These are the cointegration relations)

                crude_brent.l1 soybeans.l1        gold.l1
crude_brent.l1      1.00000000   1.0000000    1.000000000
soybeans.l1        -0.16154239  -1.4321403    0.901085840
gold.l1             0.03783477   0.1479103    0.001789928
silver.l1          -7.95952405 -14.0314441   -7.103954542
urea_ee_bulk.l1    -0.30355383   0.9616092    0.067413992
maize.l1            1.07547641   1.2691927   -1.729400316
constant          -22.96337452 105.7113165  -23.503233951
```

```
ADF test result for column: crude_brent

###############################################
# Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Unit Root Test #
###############################################

Test regression none


Call:
lm(formula = z.diff ~ z.lag.1 - 1 + z.diff.lag)

Residuals:
     Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-20.9037  -0.5974   0.0050   1.1470  16.6539

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
z.lag.1    -0.003064   0.002755  -1.112    0.266
z.diff.lag  0.339145   0.033979   9.981   <2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 ‘***’ 0.001 ‘**’ 0.01 ‘*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1

Residual standard error: 3.579 on 770 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.1148,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.1125
F-statistic: 49.92 on 2 and 770 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16


Value of test-statistic is: -1.1122
```

```
ADF test result for column: soybeans

###############################################
# Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Unit Root Test #
###############################################

Test regression none


Call:
lm(formula = z.diff ~ z.lag.1 - 1 + z.diff.lag)

Residuals:
     Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-155.919   -5.963    0.738    6.366   98.018

Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
z.lag.1    -0.0009988  0.0021969  -0.455    0.649
z.diff.lag  0.1463247  0.0357081   4.098 4.61e-05 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 ‘***’ 0.001 ‘**’ 0.01 ‘*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1

Residual standard error: 19.65 on 770 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.02141,   Adjusted R-squared:  0.01887
F-statistic: 8.423 on 2 and 770 DF,  p-value: 0.0002406
```

```
Number of non-stationary columns: 0
> cat("Non-stationary columns:", non_stationary_columns, "\n")
Non-stationary columns:
> cat("Stationary columns:")
Stationary columns:
> stationary_columns
[[1]]
[1] "crude_brent"

[[2]]
[1] "soybeans"

[[3]]
[1] "gold"

[[4]]
[1] "silver"

[[5]]
[1] "urea_ee_bulk"

[[6]]
[1] "maize"
```

7. Recommendations

- For commodity traders and investors: Consider the long-term equilibrium relationships between these commodities when making trading decisions. For instance, an increase in the price of oil might be followed by changes in the prices of gold and silver in the long run.
- For policymakers: Use the insights from the VECM model to understand the long-term impacts of policy changes on commodity prices.

8. Conclusion

This project successfully built and evaluated VAR and VECM models for selected commodity prices. The analysis highlighted the interdependencies and long-term equilibrium relationships among the commodities. These findings can inform trading strategies and policy decisions in the commodity markets.

9. References

- World Bank Pink Sheet: [World Bank Commodity Price Data (The Pink Sheet)]
- Statsmodels Documentation
- ADF Test
- Johansen Cointegration Test