

Week 7: Asset Volatility and GARCH

1. Variance and Realized Volatility.

Def: Realized Volatility, Assuming $\{r_t\}$ $t=0, 1, 2, \dots, N$

$$\sigma_{\text{real}}^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \left(\frac{S_i}{S_{i-1}} \right)^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N r_i^2 \quad \dots \dots E[r_t^2]$$

Variance of r_t $\text{Var}(r_t) = E[(r_t - \mu)^2]$

\therefore The variance is mean-adjusted realized variance.

Realized Volatility: $\sigma_{\text{real}} = \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{real}}^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N r_i^2}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ln(S_i/S_{i-1})^2}$$

Quadratic variation of $f(x)$:

$$[f, f](T) = \lim_{\| \Pi \| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}) \right]^2.$$

$$f(x_i) = \ln(S_i)$$

2. Implied Volatility

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t$$



$$C = \text{BS}(r, \sigma, T, S_0, K)$$

Given parameters r, T, S_0, K , We have one to one mapping between C_2 and σ_2 .

Thus σ_0 is ~~called the~~ "implied" by the BS formula.



Volatility Smile / Volatility Term Structure.

3. Why the term "Volatility".

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t.$$

$$\delta_t = \ln S_t \Rightarrow d\delta_t = \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) dt + \sigma dW_t.$$

$$\delta_t = \delta_0 + \int_0^t \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) ds + \int_0^t \sigma dW_s.$$

$$\text{Var}(\delta_t) = E \left[\int_0^t E[\delta_t - E[\delta_0]] \right]$$

$$= E \left[\left(\int_0^t \sigma dW_t \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= E \left[\int_0^t \sigma^2 dt \right] \rightsquigarrow$$

$$= \sigma^2 t.$$

\therefore The variance of δ_t is proportional to σ^2 , for a fixed t .

4. Problem with ~~Geometric Brownian Motion~~

B-S.

- ① No Transaction cost.
 - ② Continuous Hedging \rightarrow week 12
 - ③ Constant Volatility \rightarrow ~~Volatility Models~~
 - ④ Log normal distribution \rightarrow ~~Lognormal~~
- } other Volatility Models.

① Leptokurtic:

$$\text{Kurtosis} = E \left[\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^4 \right] \quad \text{for Normal Kurt} = 3.$$

$$x_t - x_0 = \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) t + \sigma W_t$$

QR Plot. Should be a straight line.

The Geometric Brownian Motion Don't have fat tail distribution.

② ACF on Volatility. $\rightarrow \sigma_t$ related to $\sigma_{t-1} \rightarrow$ Volatility Clustering.

Volatility is not a constant, but clustered.

③ Volatility Smile.

A Volatility Model need to replicate the smile.

I: GARCH Model

$$\begin{cases} r_t = \mu_t + a_t \\ a_t = \sigma_t \varepsilon_t \\ \sigma_t^2 = \omega_0 + \alpha_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \end{cases}$$

Simulation ① Calibrate $\omega_0, \alpha_1, \beta_1$

② Generate ε_t matrix

③ Generate a_t matrix

④ Generate r_t .

II. Stochastic Volatility Model.

$$dx_t = \mu x_t dt + \sigma x_t dw_t.$$

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$$\begin{cases} dx_t = \mu x_t dt + \sigma(x_t) x_t dw_t^1 \\ d\lambda_t = \phi(\lambda_t) dt + \psi(\lambda_t) dw_t^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{dw_t^1 dw_t^2 = \rho dt}$$

Simulation: ① Generate dw_t^1 and dw_t^2 correlated.

② Simulate St .