

ARCH models for Value at Risk forecasting in Latin American stock and Forex markets

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An adequate VaR forecast can help agents and institutions to reduce financial uncertainty, prevent liquidity problems, and optimize provisioning mechanisms.

Introduction

Goals

Identify the optimal ARCH-type model to forecast the one-day ahead Value at Risk (VaR) at 1% and 5% confidence level for a group of Latin American countrys

Stylized facts of financial returns: Franses and van Dijk (2000), Engle (2004) and Teräsvirta (2009)

- Clustering of extreme returns
- Non normality in distribution
- Leverage effect: high volatility after extreme negative returns
- Long memory in r_t^δ or other transformations

- Engle (1982) proposes the ARCH model and Bollerslev (1986) generalizes it to GARCH.
- Arch-type models have been widely developed. Key references are Glosten et al. (1993), Ding et al. (1993) and Baillie et al. (1996).
- Volatility as a key input in Value at Risk: Angelidis et al. (2004) for the major stock indices, Fan et al. (2008) for crude oil price, Liu and Hung (2010) for S&P 100, Brooks and Persaud (2003), Ardia and Hoogerheide (2014), among others.

A set of ARCH models is used to forecast the one-day ahead VaR at 1% and 5% confidence level for a group of Latin American countrys.

- 1 An ARCH-type model parameters are estimated for a given rolling-window of 250 observations.
- 2 With the fitted model the one-day-ahead volatility.
- 3 VaR is computed from forecasted volatility and distribution parameters.
- 4 The accuracy of the VaR forecasts is analyzed by backtest tests.

Additionally, as a previous step, an in-sample analysis is performed where the models are specified and its parameters estimated with the full available series.

A complete ARCH model is divided into three components:

- a mean model: zero, constant, AR(1)
- a volatility process: ARCH, GARCH, GJR, FIGARCH, APARCH.
- a distribution for the standardized residuals: Normal, S -Student, Skeweed, and generalized error distribution (GED).

The ARCH model of Engle (1982)

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \sum_{p=1}^P \alpha_p \epsilon_{t-p}^2 \quad (1)$$

The GARCH model of Bollerslev (1986)

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \epsilon_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j \sigma_{t-j}^2 \quad (2)$$

The GJR (1993) model

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \epsilon_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^q \gamma_i I_{[\epsilon_{t-i} < 0]} \epsilon_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j \sigma_{t-j}^2 \quad (3)$$

The FIGARCH of Baillie et al. (1986)

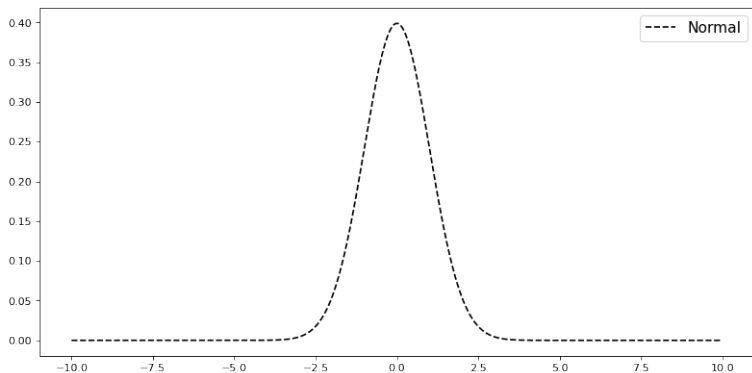
$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \left[1 - \beta L - \phi L(1 - L)^d\right] \varepsilon_t^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2 \quad (4)$$

The APARCH of Ding et al. (1993)

$$\sigma_t^\delta = \omega + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \left(|\varepsilon_{t-i}| - \gamma_i I_{[\varepsilon_{t-i} \geq 0]}\varepsilon_{t-i}\right)^\delta + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i \sigma_{t-i}^\delta \quad (5)$$

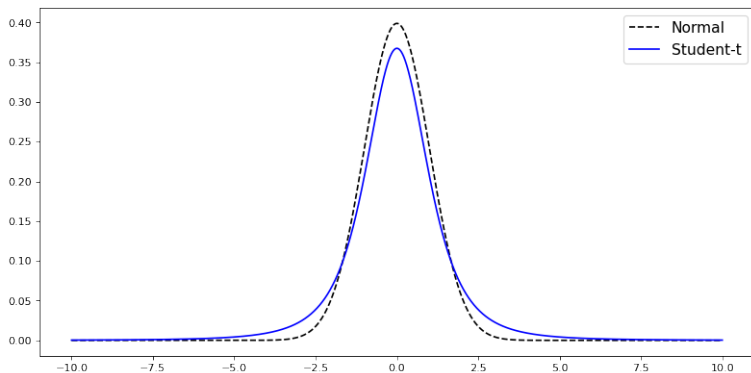
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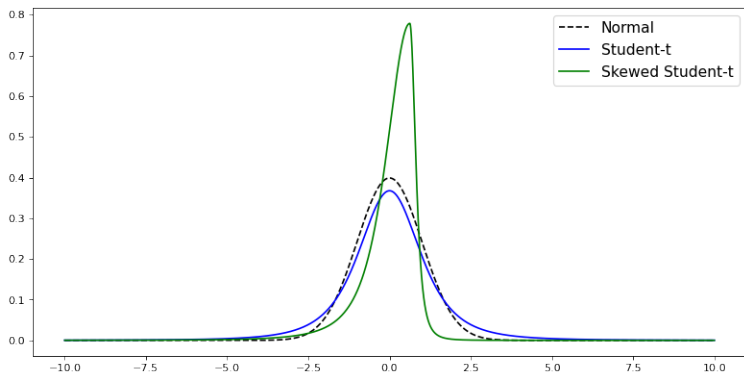
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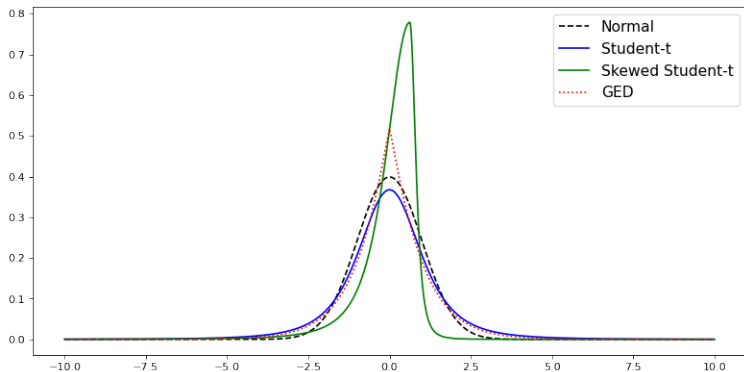
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$$\widehat{VaR}_{t+1}^{\alpha} = -\hat{\mu}_{t+1} - \hat{\sigma}_{t+1}q_{\alpha} \quad (6)$$

backtest procedures:

- Unconditional coverage (UC) test of Kupiec (1995)
- Conditional Coverage (CC) test of Christoffersen (1998)
- Dynamic quantile (DQ) test of Engle and Manganelli (2004).

Empirical Evidence: Data

- Countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru
- Markets: stocks and Forex
- Frequency: daily
- Source: Bloomberg Financial Data
- Returns are calculated as $y_t = 100 * [\log(p_t) - \log(p_{t-1})]$

Table 1: Descriptive Statistics for Stock and Forex Markets Returns

Country	Security ID	Start Date	End Date	Obs.	Mean	Std.	Min	Max	Skew	Kurt
<i>(a)</i> Stock										
Argentina	MERVAL	1991-12-26	2021-08-31	7744	0.06	2.30	-47.69	16.12	-1.43	27.89
Brasil	IBOV	1995-03-16	2021-08-31	6904	0.05	1.96	-17.23	28.82	0.09	14.05
Chile	IPSA	1990-08-09	2021-08-31	8104	0.05	1.14	-15.22	11.80	-0.32	12.83
Colombia	IGBC	2001-07-26	2021-08-31	5244	0.05	1.14	-11.05	14.69	-0.18	15.73
México	MEXBOL	1994-03-31	2021-08-31	7154	0.04	1.40	-14.31	12.15	0.03	7.56
Perú	SPBLPGPT	2002-02-07	2021-08-31	5104	0.05	1.35	-13.29	12.82	-0.59	12.69
<i>(b)</i> Forex										
Argentina	ARS	2014-03-06	2021-08-31	1954	0.13	1.14	-6.03	30.80	12.32	294.71
Brasil	BRL	1999-06-03	2021-08-31	5804	0.02	1.04	-10.34	7.11	0.07	5.90
Chile	CLP	1990-01-18	2021-08-31	8249	0.01	0.60	-4.33	4.68	0.25	7.54
Colombia	COP	1992-09-03	2021-08-31	7564	0.02	0.66	-7.60	6.02	0.17	10.31
México	MXN	1996-05-09	2021-08-31	6604	0.01	0.71	-6.65	7.98	0.85	11.43
Perú	PEN	1995-05-25	2021-08-31	6854	0.01	0.30	-2.85	3.55	0.08	14.54

Table 2a: Estimated Parameters for daily Latin American stock Markets Return

Model	μ	ω	α	β	γ	δ	ν	λ	BIC	log-lik
Argentina (MERVAL)										
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0462 ^a	0.1573 ^a	0.1120 ^a	0.8564 ^a	0.2148 ^a	1.9847 ^a	1.0919 ^a		31888.194	-15912.755
μ -GJR-GED	0.0462 ^a	0.1592 ^a	0.0692 ^a	0.8558 ^a	0.0955 ^a		1.0921 ^a		31879,24598	-15912,758
Brazil (IBOV)										
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0503 ^a	0.0701 ^a	0.0759 ^a	0.8980 ^a	0.4245 ^a	1.7129 ^a	1.3592 ^a		26273.472	-13105.796
μ -GJR-GED	0.0510 ^a	0.0814 ^a	0.0275 ^a	0.8933 ^a	0.1067 ^a		1.3594 ^a		26266,91876	-13106,939
Chile (IPSA)										
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0304 ^a	0.0295 ^a	0.1411 ^a	0.8475 ^a	0.1485 ^a	1.7939 ^a	1.3146 ^a		21853.744	-10895.372
μ -FIGARCH-GED	0.0372 ^a	0.0400 ^a	0.2548 ^a	0.5357 ^a		0.4905 ^a	1.3183 ^a		21845,49687	-10895,7481
Colombia (IGBC)										
APARCH-GED		0.0045 ^a	0.0943 ^a	0.9203 ^a	0.2276 ^a	0.3190 ^a	1.0853 ^a		5889.822	-2919.216
μ -APARCH-GED	-0.0000	0.0000	0.1932	0.8068	0.0230	1.8244	1.0100		6023.314	-2981.680
Mexico (MEXBOL)										
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0316 ^a	0.0160 ^a	0.0786 ^a	0.9214 ^a	0.4290 ^a	1.4718 ^a	1.3037 ^a		22136.973	-11037.422
μ -GJR-GED	0.0331 ^a	0.0167 ^a	0.0312 ^a	0.9131 ^a	0.0988 ^a		1.3015 ^a		22138,60164	-11042,674
Peru (SPBLPGPT)										
μ -FIGARCH-GED	0.0397 ^a	0.0846 ^a	0.0867	0.3316 ^a		0.4235 ^a	1.1342 ^a		14482.021	-7215.397
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0375 ^b	0.0394 ^a	0.1473 ^a	0.8337 ^a	0.0743 ^b	1.9825 ^a	1.1281 ^a		14524,71567	-7232,475

a, b, c denote significance level at 1%, 5% and 10% respectively

Table 2a: Estimated Parameters for daily Latin American Forex Markets Return

Model	μ	ω	α	β	γ	δ	ν	λ	BIC	log-lik
Argentina (ARS)										
μ -FIGARCH-skS	0.0539 ^a	0.0003	0.0541	0.6814 ^b		0.8918 ^a	3.0927 ^a	0.0909 ^b	500.480	-223.718
μ -FIGARCH-S	0.0501	0.0003	0.0768	0.6077 ^a		0.8463 ^a	3.0500 ^a		505,101	-229,8176
Brazil (BRL)										
μ -APARCH-GED	0.0022	0.0139 ^a	0.0968 ^a	0.9032 ^a	-0.3064 ^a	1.4421 ^a	1.3863 ^a		14806.536	-7372.936
GJR-GED		0.0101 ^a	0.1438 ^a	0.8940 ^a	-0.0872 ^a		1.3768 ^a		14800,927	-7378,798
Chile (CLP)										
APARCH-S		0.0270 ^a	0.1300 ^a	0.8686 ^a	-0.4153 ^a	0.2499 ^a	2.8537 ^a		8009.367	-3977.630
APARCH-skS		0.0177 ^a	0.0884 ^a	0.9099 ^a	0.2023 ^a	0.3396 ^a	3.0470 ^a	0.0971 ^a	8837.625	-4387.2502
Colombia (COP)										
μ -FIGARCH-GED	0.0000	0.0024 ^c	0.2664 ^a	0.5728 ^a		0.4672 ^a	1.0100 ^a		10252.889	-5099.651
FIGARCH-GED		0.0024 ^c	0.2662 ^a	0.5730 ^a		0.4675 ^a	1.0100 ^a		10244,165	-5099,754
Mexico (MXN)										
μ -APARCH-skS	0.0117 ^a	0.0120 ^a	0.0966 ^a	0.9034 ^a	-0.4849 ^a	1.1410 ^a	7.3379 ^a	0.1336 ^a	11378.144	-5653.890
μ -GJR-GED	0.0331 ^a	0.0167 ^a	0.0312 ^a	0.9131 ^a	0.0988 ^a		1.3015 ^a		22138,601	-11042,674
Peru (PEN)										
μ -FIGARCH-GED	-0.0000	0.0002	0.1766 ^a	0.6098 ^a		0.6468 ^a	1.0100 ^a		-2873.629	1463.312
μ -APARCH-GED	-0.0000	0.0004	0.1618 ^a	0.8382 ^a	-0.1393	2.0107	1.0100 ^a		-2844,943	1453,385

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Empirical Evidence

Results: Out-of-sample analysis

Figure: One-step ahead VaR forecast for Peru (SPBLPGPT)

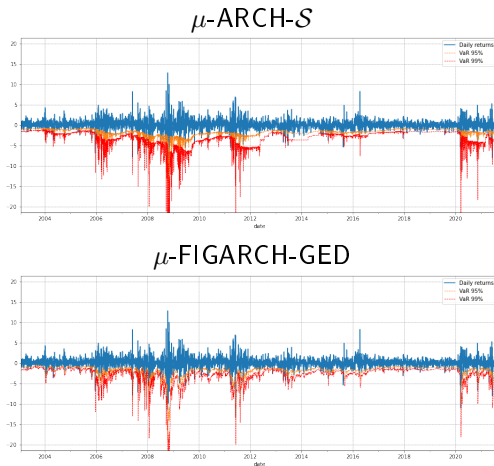


Table 3: Accuracy of VaR predictions for Stock and Forex Markets Returns

VaR 5% risk level					VaR 1% risk level				
Model	% Failures	UC	CC	DQ	Model	% Failures	UC	CC	DQ
<i>(a) Stock Market Returns</i>									
Argentina (MERVAL)									
AR(1)-GARCH- \mathcal{S}	0.0653	0.0373*	0.0078*	0.0000*	AR(1)-FIGARCH-GED	0,0179	0.0272*	0.0518	0.0000*
AR(1)-GJR- \mathcal{N}	0.0674	0.0185*	0.0061*	0.0011*	GARCH- \mathcal{N}	0,0189	0.0133*	0.0331*	0.0000*
Brazil (IBOV)									
μ -GJR-GED	0.055285	0.0749	0.0066*	0.0155*	APARCH- \mathcal{S}	0.0167	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
μ -APARCH-GED	0.055286	0.0748	0.0067*	0.0155*	APARCH-GED	0.0167	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
Chile (IPSA)									
GJR- \mathcal{S}	0,0568	0.0058*	0.0000*	0.0000*	FIGARCH-sk \mathcal{S}	0,0166	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
APARCH- \mathcal{S}	0,0569	0.0058*	0.0000*	0.0000*	GARCH-GED	0,0166	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
Mexico (MEXBOL)									
FIGARCH- \mathcal{S}	0,044	0.3030	0.0047*	0.0121*	GJR- \mathcal{N}	0,0146	0.0690	0.0003*	0.0000*
FIGARCH-GED	0,045	0.3030	0.0003*	0.0002*	APARCH- \mathcal{N}	0,0147	0.0690	0.0002*	0.0000*
Peru (SPBLPGPT)									
FIGARCH-GED	0,0569	0.0312*	0.0000*	0.0000*	FIGARCH-sk \mathcal{S}	0,0165*	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
μ -GARCH- \mathcal{S}	0,0571	0.0266*	0.0000*	0.0000*	FIGARCH-GED	0,0173*	0.0000*	0.0000*	0.0000*
<i>(b) Forex Market Returns</i>									

Conclusions (for stock markets)

- 1 In general, FIGARCH volatility process and leptokurtic distributions are able to produce better one-step-ahead VaR forecasts
- 2 The models that best fit the full series in-sample are not necessarily the ones that obtain the most accurate VaR forecasts out-of-sample
- 3 The models producing the most accurate forecasts vary by market and country.

- Obtain the results also for the Forex market
- Compare the results for the stock market and the Forex market.

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