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Modelling Heterskedasticity in Financial Time Series

# Description

The Rmetrics "fGarch" package is a collection of functions to analyze and model heteroskedastic behavior in financial time series models. .

# **Details**

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# 1 Introduction

GARCH, Generalized Autoregressive Conditional Heteroskedastic, models have become important in the analysis of time series data, particularly in financial applications when the goal is to analyze and forecast volatility.

For this purpose, the family of GARCH functions offers functions for simulating, estimating and forecasting various univariate GARCH-type time series models in the conditional variance and an ARMA specification in the conditional mean. The function garchFit is a numerical implementation of the maximum log-likelihood approach under different assumptions, Normal, Student-t, GED errors or their skewed versions. The parameter estimates are checked by several diagnostic analysis tools including graphical features and hypothesis tests. Functions to compute n-step ahead forecasts of both the conditional mean and variance are also available.

The number of GARCH models is immense, but the most influential models were the first. Beside the standard ARCH model introduced by Engle [1982] and the GARCH model introduced by Bollerslev [1986], the function garchFit also includes the more general class of asymmetric power ARCH models, named APARCH, introduced by Ding, Granger and Engle [1993]. The APARCH models include as special cases the TS-GARCH model of Taylor [1986] and Schwert [1989], the GJR-GARCH model of Glosten, Jaganathan, and Runkle [1993], the T-ARCH model of Zakoian [1993], the N-ARCH model of Higgins and Bera [1992], and the Log-ARCH model of Geweke [1986] and Pentula [1986].

There exist a collection of review articles by Bollerslev, Chou and Kroner [1992], Bera and Higgins [1993], Bollerslev, Engle and Nelson [1994], Engle [2001], Engle and Patton [2001], and Li, Ling and McAleer [2002] which give a good overview of the scope of the research.

# 2 Time Series Simulation

contains functions to simulate artificial GARCH and APARCH time series processes.

garchSpec specifies an univariate GARCH time series model garchSim simulates a GARCH/APARCH process

#### 3 Parameter Estimation

contains functions to fit the parameters of GARCH and APARCH time series processes.

garchFit fits the parameters of a GARCH process

### Extractor Functions:

residuals extracts residuals from a fitted 'fGARCH' object extracts fitted values from a fitted 'fGARCH' object volatility extracts conditional volatility from a fitted 'fGARCH' object extracts coefficients from a fitted 'fGARCH' object formula expression from a fitted 'fGARCH' object

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# 4 Forecasting

contains functions to forcecast mean and variance of GARCH and APARCH processes.

predict forecasts from an object of class 'fGARCH'

# **5 Standardized Distribution Functions**

This section contains functions to model standardized distribution functions.

Skew Normal Distribution:

[dpqr]norm Normal distribution function
[dpqr]snorm Skew Normal distribution function

[s]normFit fits parameters of [skew] Normal distribution

Skew Generalized Error Distribution:

[s]gedFit fits parameters of [skew] Generalized Error distribution

Skew Standardized Student-t Distribution:

Abdolute Moments:

absMoments computes absolute Moments of these distribution

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Absolute Moments of GARCH Distributions

# **Description**

Computes absolute Moments of the skew Normal, skew GED, and standardized skew Student-t distributions

# Usage

```
absMoments(n, density = c("dnorm", "dged", "dstd"), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

density a character string naming the symmetric density function.

n the number of absolute Moments.

... parameters passed to the density function.

# Value

absMoments returns a numeric vector of length n with the values of the absolute moments of the selected density function.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# References

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

```
## absMoment -
   absMoments(4, "dstd", nu = 4)
```

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GARCH Coefficients Methods

# **Description**

Coefficients methods for GARCH Modelling.

# Methods

```
    object = "ANY" Generic function.
    object = "fGARCH" Extractor function for coefficients from a fitted GARCH model.
    object = "fGARCHSPEC" Extractor function for coefficients from a GARCH specification structure.
```

# Note

coef is a generic function which extracts coefficients from objects returned by modeling functions.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## garchSpec -
    # Use default parameters beside alpha:
    spec = garchSpec(model = list(alpha = c(0.05, 0.05)))
    spec
    coef(spec)

## garchSim -
    # Simulate an univariate "timeSeries" series
    x = garchSim(spec, n = 200)
    x = x[,1]

## garchFit -
    fit = garchFit( ~ garch(1, 1), data = x)

## coef -
    coef(fit)
```

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Class "fGARCH"

# **Description**

The class fGARCH represents a model of an heteroskedastic time series process.

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the function garchFit. This object is a parameter estimate of an empirical GARCH process.

#### Slots

call: Object of class "call": the call of the garch function.

formula: Object of class "formula": a formula object specifying mean and variance equation.

method: Object of class "character": a string denoting the optimization method, by default the returneds string is "Max Log-Likelihood Estimation".

data: Object of class "list": a list with one entry named x, containing the data of the time series to be estimated, the same as given by the input argument series.

fit: Object of class "list": a list with the results from the parameter estimation. The entries of the list depend on the selected algorithm, see below.

residuals: Object of class "numeric": a numeric vector with the residual values.

fitted: Object of class "numeric": a numeric vector with the fitted values.

h.t: Object of class "numeric": a numeric vector with the conditional variances.

sigma.t: Object of class "numeric": a numeric vector with the conditional standard deviations.

title: Object of class "character": a title string.

description: Object of class "character": a string with a brief description.

#### Methods

```
plot signature(x = "fGARCH", y = "missing"): plots an object of class 'fGARCH'.
show signature(object = "fGARCH"): prints an object of class 'fGARCH'.
summary signature(object = "fGARCH"): summarizes an object of class 'fGARCH'.
predict signature(object = "fGARCH"): forecasts mean and volatility from an object of class 'fGARCH'.
fitted signature(object = "fGARCH"): extracts fitted values from an object of class 'fGARCH'.
residuals signature(object = "fGARCH"): extracts fresiduals from an object of class 'fGARCH'.
volatility signature(object = "fGARCH"): extracts conditional volatility from an object of class 'fGARCH'.
coef signature(object = "fGARCH"): extracts fitted coefficients from an object of class 'fGARCH'.
```

**formula** signature(x = "fGARCH"): extracts formula expression from an object of class 'fGARCH'.

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# Author(s)

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Class "fGARCHSPEC"

# **Description**

Specification Structure for an univariate GARCH time series model.

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the function garchSpec. This object is specifies the parameters of an empirical GARCH process.

#### **Slots**

call: Object of class "call": the call of the garch function.

formula: Object of class "formula": a list with two formula entries for the mean and variance equation.

model: Object of class "list": a list with the model parameters.

presample: Object of class "matrix": a numeric matrix with presample values.

distribution: Object of class "character": a character string with the name of the conditional distribution.

rseed: Object of class "numeric": an integer with the random number generator seed.

# Methods

```
show signature(object = "fGARCHSPEC"): prints an object of class 'fGARCHSPEC'.
```

# Note

With Rmetrics Version 2.6.1 the class has been renamed from "garchSpec" to "fGARCHSPEC".

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

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Extract GARCH Model Fitted Values

# Description

Extracts fitted values from a fitted GARCH object.

#### **Details**

The function extracts the @fitted value slot from an object of class "fGARCH" as returned by the function garchFit.

The class of the returned value depends on the input to the function garchFit who created the object. The returned value is always of the same class as the input object to the argument data in the function garchFit, i.e. if you fit a "timeSeries" object, you will get back from the function fitted also a "timeSeries" object, if you fit an object of class "zoo", you will get back again a "zoo" object. The same holds for a "numeric" vector, for a "data.frame", and for objects of class "ts", "mts".

In contrast, the slot itself returns independent of the class of the data input always a numceric vector, i.e. the function call rslot(object, "fitted") will return a numeric vector.

#### Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function.
object = "fGARCH" Extractor function for fitted values.
```

#### Note

fitted is a generic function which extracts fitted values from objects returned by modeling functions.

### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## Swiss Pension fund Index -
    x = as.timeSeries(data(LPP2005REC))

## garchFit -
    # Fit LPP40 Bechmark:
    fit = garchFit(LPP40 ~ garch(1, 1), data = 100*x, trace = FALSE)
    fit

## fitted -
    # Fitted values are now a "timeSeries" oject:
    fitted = fitted(fit)
    head(fitted)
```

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```
class(fitted)
## slot -
    # The slot contains a numeric Vector:
    fitted = slot(fit, "fitted")
    head(fitted)
    class(fitted)
```

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Extract GARCH Model formula

#### **Description**

Extracts formula from a formula GARCH object.

#### **Details**

The function extracts the @formula expression slot from an object of class "fGARCH" as returned by the function garchFit.

Note, the returned formula has always a left hand side. If the argument data was an univariate time series and no name was specified to the series, then the left hand side has assigned the name of the data.set. In the multivariate case the rectangular data object must always have column names, otherwise the fitting will be stopped and you get the error message

The class of the returned value depends on the input to the function garchFit who created the object. The returned value is always of the same class as the input object to the argument data in the function garchFit, i.e. if you fit a "timeSeries" object, you will get back from the function fitted also a "timeSeries" object, if you fit an object of class "zoo", you will get back again a "zoo" object. The same holds for a "numeric" vector, for a "data.frame", and for objects of class "ts", "mts".

In contrast, the slot itself returns independent of the class of the data input always a numceric vector, i.e. the function call rslot(object, "fitted") will return a numeric vector.

# Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function.
object = "fGARCH" Extractor function for formula expression.
```

### Note

formula is a generic function which extracts the formula expression from objects returned by modeling functions.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# **Examples**

```
## garchFit -
  fit = garchFit(~garch(1, 1), data = garchSim())
## formula -
  formula(fit)
## A Bivariate series and mis-specified formula:
  x = garchSim(n = 500)
  y = garchSim(n = 500)
  z = cbind(x, y)
  colnames(z)
  class(z)
  ## Not run:
  garchFit(z ~garch(1, 1), data = z, trace = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
  # Returns:
  # Error in .garchArgsParser(formula = formula, data = data, trace = FALSE) :
  # Formula and data units do not match.
## Doubled column names in data set - formula can't fit:
  colnames(z) \leftarrow c("x", "x")
  z[1:6,]
   ## Not run:
  garchFit(x ~garch(1, 1), data = z, trace = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
  # Again the error will be noticed:
  # Error in garchFit(x \sim garch(1, 1), data = z) :
  # Column names of data are not unique.
## Missing column names in data set - formula can't fit:
  z.mat <- as.matrix(z)</pre>
  colnames(z.mat) <- NULL</pre>
  z.mat[1:6,]
  garchFit(x ~ garch(1, 1), data = z.mat, trace = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
  # Again the error will be noticed:
  # Error in .garchArgsParser(formula = formula, data = data, trace = FALSE) :
  # Formula and data units do not match
```

garchFit

Univariate GARCH Time Series Fitting

# **Description**

Estimates the parameters of an univariate ARMA-GARCH/APARCH process.

# Usage

```
garchFit(formula = ~ garch(1, 1), data = fGarch::dem2gbp,
   init.rec = c("mci", "uev"),
   delta = 2, skew = 1, shape = 4,
   cond.dist = c("norm", "snorm", "ged", "sged", "std", "sstd",
        "snig", "QMLE"),
    include.mean = TRUE, include.delta = NULL, include.skew = NULL,
        include.shape = NULL, leverage = NULL, trace = TRUE,
   algorithm = c("nlminb", "lbfgsb", "nlminb+nm", "lbfgsb+nm"),
   hessian = c("ropt", "rcd"), control = list(),
    title = NULL, description = NULL, ...)
garchKappa(cond.dist = c("norm", "ged", "std", "snorm", "sged", "sstd",
    "snig"), gamma = 0, delta = 2, skew = NA, shape = NA)
```

# Argı

include.delta

guments	
algorithm	a string parameter that determines the algorithm used for maximum likelihood estimation.
cond.dist	a character string naming the desired conditional distribution. Valid values are "dnorm", "dged", "dstd", "dsnorm", "dsged", "dsstd" and "QMLE". The default value is the normal distribution. See Details for more information.
control	control parameters, the same as used for the functions from nlminb, and 'bfgs' and 'Nelder-Mead' from optim.
data	an optional timeSeries or data frame object containing the variables in the model. If not found in data, the variables are taken from environment(formula), typically the environment from which armaFit is called. If data is an univariate series, then the series is converted into a numeric vector and the name of the response in the formula will be neglected.
delta	a numeric value, the exponent delta of the variance recursion. By default, this value will be fixed, otherwise the exponent will be estimated together with the other model parameters if include.delta=FALSE.
description	a character string which allows for a brief description.
formula	formula object describing the mean and variance equation of the ARMA-GARCH/APARCH model. A pure $GARCH(1,1)$ model is selected when e.g. formula=~garch(1,1). To specify for example an $ARMA(2,1)$ -APARCH(1,1) use formula = ~arma(2,1)+apaarch(1,1).
gamma	APARCH leverage parameter entering into the formula for calculating the expectation value.
hessian	a string denoting how the Hessian matrix should be evaluated, either hessian ="rcd", or "ropt", the default, "rcd" is a central difference approximation implemented

a logical flag which determines if the parameter for the recursion equation delta will be estimated or not. If include.delta=FALSE then the shape parameter

in R and "ropt" use the internal R function optimhess.

will be kept fixed during the process of parameter optimization.

include.mean	this flag determines if the parameter for the mean will be estimated or not. If include.mean=TRUE this will be the case, otherwise the parameter will be kept fixed durcing the process of parameter optimization.
include.shape	a logical flag which determines if the parameter for the shape of the conditional distribution will be estimated or not. If include.shape=FALSE then the shape parameter will be kept fixed during the process of parameter optimization.
include.skew	a logical flag which determines if the parameter for the skewness of the conditional distribution will be estimated or not. If include.skew=FALSE then the skewness parameter will be kept fixed during the process of parameter optimization.
init.rec	a character string indicating the method how to initialize the mean and varaince recursion relation.
leverage	a logical flag for APARCH models. Should the model be leveraged? By default leverage=TRUE.
shape	a numeric value, the shape parameter of the conditional distribution.
skew	a numeric value, the skewness parameter of the conditional distribution.
title	a character string which allows for a project title.
trace	a logical flag. Should the optimization process of fitting the model parameters be printed? By default trace=TRUE.
	additional arguments to be passed.

# **Details**

"QMLE" stands for Quasi-Maximum Likelihood Estimation, which assumes normal distribution and uses robust standard errors for inference. Bollerslev and Wooldridge (1992) proved that if the mean and the volatility equations are correctly specified, the QML estimates are consistent and asymptotically normally distributed. However, the estimates are not efficient and "the efficiency loss can be marked under asymmetric ... distributions" (Bollerslev and Wooldridge (1992), p. 166). The robust variance-covariance matrix of the estimates equals the (Eicker-White) sandwich estimator, i.e.

$$V = H^{-1}G'GH^{-1},$$

where V denotes the variance-covariance matrix, H stands for the Hessian and G represents the matrix of contributions to the gradient, the elements of which are defined as

$$G_{t,i} = \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial \zeta_i},$$

where  $t_t$  is the log likelihood of the t-th observation and  $\zeta_i$  is the i-th estimated parameter. See sections 10.3 and 10.4 in Davidson and MacKinnon (2004) for a more detailed description of the robust variance-covariance matrix.

#### Value

garchFit

returns a S4 object of class "fGARCH" with the following slots:

@call the call of the garch function.

@formula a list with two formula entries, one for the mean and the other one for the vari-

ance equation.

@method a string denoting the optimization method, by default the returneds string is

"Max Log-Likelihood Estimation".

edata a list with one entry named x, containing the data of the time series to be esti-

mated, the same as given by the input argument series.

efit a list with the results from the parameter estimation. The entries of the list

depend on the selected algorithm, see below.

@residuals a numeric vector with the (raw, unstandardized) residual values.

@fitted a numeric vector with the fitted values.

Which is a numeric vector with the conditional variances  $(h_t = \sigma_t^{\delta})$ .

We sigmate a numeric vector with the conditional standard deviation.

@title a title string.

@description a string with a brief description.

The entries of the @fit slot show the results from the optimization.

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Zhu, Byrd, Lu-Chen and Nocedal for the underlying L-BFGS-B Routine.

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```
## UNIVARIATE TIME SERIES INPUT:
  # In the univariate case the lhs formula has not to be specified ...
  # A numeric Vector from default GARCH(1,1) - fix the seed:
  N = 200
  x.vec = as.vector(garchSim(garchSpec(rseed = 1985), n = N)[,1])
  garchFit(~ garch(1,1), data = x.vec, trace = FALSE)
  # An univariate timeSeries object with dummy dates:
  x.timeSeries = dummyDailySeries(matrix(x.vec), units = "GARCH11")
  garchFit(~ garch(1,1), data = x.timeSeries, trace = FALSE)
## Not run:
  # An univariate zoo object:
  x.zoo = zoo(as.vector(x.vec), order.by = as.Date(rownames(x.timeSeries)))
  garchFit(\sim garch(1,1), data = x.zoo, trace = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
  # An univariate "ts" object:
  x.ts = as.ts(x.vec)
  garchFit(\sim garch(1,1), data = x.ts, trace = FALSE)
## MULTIVARIATE TIME SERIES INPUT:
  # For multivariate data inputs the lhs formula must be specified ...
  # A numeric matrix binded with dummy random normal variates:
  X.mat = cbind(GARCH11 = x.vec, R = rnorm(N))
  garchFit(GARCH11 ~ garch(1,1), data = X.mat)
  # A multivariate timeSeries object with dummy dates:
  X.timeSeries = dummyDailySeries(X.mat, units = c("GARCH11", "R"))
  garchFit(GARCH11 ~ garch(1,1), data = X.timeSeries)
## Not run:
  # A multivariate zoo object:
  X.zoo = zoo(X.mat, order.by = as.Date(rownames(x.timeSeries)))
  garchFit(GARCH11 ~ garch(1,1), data = X.zoo)
```

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```
## End(Not run)
  # A multivariate "mts" object:
  X.mts = as.ts(X.mat)
  garchFit(GARCH11 ~ garch(1,1), data = X.mts)
## MODELING THE PERCENTUAL SPI/SBI SPREAD FROM LPP BENCHMARK:
  X.timeSeries = as.timeSeries(data(LPP2005REC))
  X.mat = as.matrix(x.timeSeries)
  ## Not run: X.zoo = zoo(X.mat, order.by = as.Date(rownames(X.mat)))
  X.mts = ts(X.mat)
  garchFit(100*(SPI - SBI) ~ garch(1,1), data = X.timeSeries)
   # The remaining are not yet supported ...
  \# garchFit(100*(SPI - SBI) ~ garch(1,1), data = X.mat)
  # garchFit(100*(SPI - SBI) \sim garch(1,1), data = X.zoo)
  # garchFit(100*(SPI - SBI) ~ garch(1,1), data = X.mts)
## MODELING HIGH/LOW RETURN SPREADS FROM MSFT PRICE SERIES:
  X.timeSeries = MSFT
  garchFit(Open ~ garch(1,1), data = returns(X.timeSeries))
  garchFit(100*(High-Low) ~ garch(1,1), data = returns(X.timeSeries))
```

garchFitControl

GARCH Fitting Algorithms and Control

# **Description**

Estimates the parameters of an univariate GARCH process.

# Usage

```
garchFitControl(
    llh = c("filter", "internal", "testing"),
    nlminb.eval.max = 2000,
    nlminb.iter.max = 1500,
    nlminb.abs.tol = 1.0e-20,
    nlminb.rel.tol = 1.0e-14,
    nlminb.x.tol = 1.0e-14,
    nlminb.step.min = 2.2e-14,
    nlminb.fscale = FALSE,
    nlminb.xscale = FALSE,
    sqp.mit = 200,
    sqp.mfv = 500,
    sqp.met = 2,
```

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```
sqp.mec = 2,
        sqp.mer = 1,
        sqp.mes = 4,
        sqp.xmax = 1.0e3,
        sqp.tolx = 1.0e-16,
        sqp.tolc = 1.0e-6,
        sqp.tolg = 1.0e-6,
        sqp.told = 1.0e-6,
        sqp.tols = 1.0e-4,
        sqp.rpf = 1.0e-4,
        lbfgsb.REPORT = 10,
        lbfgsb.lmm = 20,
        lbfgsb.pgtol = 1e-14,
        lbfgsb.factr = 1,
        lbfgsb.fnscale = FALSE,
        lbfgsb.parscale = FALSE,
        nm.ndeps = 1e-14,
        nm.maxit = 10000,
        nm.abstol = 1e-14,
        nm.reltol = 1e-14,
        nm.alpha = 1.0,
        nm.beta = 0.5,
        nm.gamma = 2.0,
        nm.fnscale = FALSE,
        nm.parscale = FALSE)
Arguments
                    llh = c("filter", "internal", "testing")[1], defaults to "filter".
    11h
    nlminb.eval.max
                     Maximum number of evaluations of the objective function allowed, defaults to
    nlminb.iter.max
                     Maximum number of iterations allowed, defaults to 150.
    nlminb.abs.tol Absolute tolerance, defaults to 1e-20.
    nlminb.rel.tol Relative tolerance, defaults to 1e-10.
    nlminb.x.tol
                     X tolerance, defaults to 1.5e-8.
    nlminb.fscale
                    defaults to FALSE.
                    defaulkts to FALSE.
    nlminb.xscale
    nlminb.step.min
```

Minimum step size, defaults to 2.2e-14.

maximum number of iterations, defaults to 200.

maximum number of function evaluations, defaults to 500.

defaults to 1.

specifies scaling strategy:

sqp.met=1 - no scaling

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sqp.mit

sqp.mfv

sqp.met

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	sqp.met=2 - preliminary scaling in 1st iteration (default) sqp.met=3 - controlled scaling sqp.met=4 - interval scaling sqp.met=5 - permanent scaling in all iterations
sqp.mec	correction for negative curvature: sqp.mec=1 - no correction sqp.mec=2 - Powell correction (default)
sqp.mer	restarts after unsuccessful variable metric updates: sqp.mer=0 - no restarts sqp.mer=1 - standard restart
sqp.mes	interpolation method selection in a line search: sqp.mes=1 - bisection sqp.mes=2 - two point quadratic interpolation sqp.mes=3 - three point quadratic interpolation sqp.mes=4 - three point cubic interpolation (default)
sqp.xmax	maximum stepsize, defaults to 1.0e+3.
sqp.tolx	tolerance for the change of the coordinate vector, defaults to 1.0e-16.
sqp.tolc	tolerance for the constraint violation, defaults to 1.0e-6.
sqp.tolg	tolerance for the Lagrangian function gradient, defaults to 1.0e-6.
sqp.told	defaults to 1.0e-6.
sqp.tols	defaults to 1.0e-4.
sqp.rpf	value of the penalty coefficient, default to 1.0D-4. The default velue may be relatively small. Therefore, larger value, say one, can sometimes be more suitable.
lbfgsb.REPORT	The frequency of reports for the "BFGS" and "L-BFGS-B" methods if control\\$trace is positive. Defaults to every 10 iterations.
lbfgsb.lmm	is an integer giving the number of BFGS updates retained in the "L-BFGS-B" method, It defaults to 5.
lbfgsb.factr	controls the convergence of the "L-BFGS-B" method. Convergence occurs when the reduction in the objective is within this factor of the machine tolerance. Default is 1e7, that is a tolerance of about 1.0e-8.
lbfgsb.pgtol	helps control the convergence of the "L-BFGS-B" method. It is a tolerance on the projected gradient in the current search direction. This defaults to zero, when the check is suppressed.
lbfgsb.fnscale	defaults to FALSE.
lbfgsb.parscale	
	defaults to FALSE.
nm.ndeps	A vector of step sizes for the finite-difference approximation to the gradient, on par/parscale scale. Defaults to 1e-3.
nm.maxit	The maximum number of iterations. Defaults to 100 for the derivative-based methods, and 500 for "Nelder-Mead". For "SANN" maxit gives the total number of function evaluations. There is no other stopping criterion. Defaults to 10000.
nm.abstol	The absolute convergence tolerance. Only useful for non-negative functions, as a tolerance for reaching zero.

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nm.reltol Relative convergence tolerance. The algorithm stops if it is unable to reduce the

 $value\ by\ a\ factor\ of\ reltol\ *\ (abs(val)+reltol)\ at\ a\ step.\ Defaults\ to\ sqrt(.Machine\ \ double.eps),$ 

typically about 1e-8.

nm.alpha, nm.beta, nm.gamma

Scaling parameters for the "Nelder-Mead" method. alpha is the reflection factor (default 1.0), beta the contraction factor (0.5), and gamma the expansion factor

(2.0).

nm. fnscale An overall scaling to be applied to the value of fn and gr during optimization.

If negative, turns the problem into a maximization problem. Optimization is

performed on fn(par)/fnscale.

nm.parscale A vector of scaling values for the parameters. Optimization is performed on

par/parscale and these should be comparable in the sense that a unit change in

any element produces about a unit change in the scaled value.

# Value

returns a list.

#### Author(s)

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R Core Team for the 'optim' R-port,

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Zhu, Byrd, Lu-Chen and Nocedal for the underlying L-BFGS-B Routine.

# **Examples**

##

garchSim

Univariate GARCH/APARCH Time Series Simulation

# Description

Simulates a univariate GARCH/APARCH time series model.

# Usage

```
garchSim(spec = garchSpec(), n = 100, n.start = 100, extended = FALSE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

extended logical parameter if the output series should be a 3 columns timeSeries object

with garch, sigma and eps data (extended = TRUE) or a univariate GARCH\APARCH

time series (extended = FALSE

spec a specification object of class "fGARCHSPEC" as returned by the function garchSpec.

The model parameters are taken from the @model slot, a list with the following

entries:

omega - the constant coefficient of the variance equation, by default 1e-6;

alpha - the value or vector of autoregressive coefficients, by default 0.1, speci-

fying a model of order 1;

beta - the value or vector of variance coefficients, by default 0.8, specifying a

model of order 1;

The optional values for the linear part are:

mu - the intercept value, by default 0 (it implies that the mean = mu/(1-sum(ar)));

ar - the autoregressive ARMA coefficients, by default 0; ma - the moving average ARMA coefficients, by default 0.

The optional parameters for the conditional distributions are:

skew - the skewness parameter (also named xi), by default 0.9, effective only for the "dsnorm", the "dsged", and the "dsstd" skewed conditional distributions; shape = the shape parameter (also named nu), by default 2 for the "dged" and "dsged", and by default 4 for the "dstd" and "dsstd" conditional distributions.

See also below for further details.

n length of output series, an integer value. An integer value, by default n=100.

n.start length of "burn-in" period, by default 100.

# Details

The function garchSim simulates an univariate GARCH or APARCH time series process as specified by the argument model.

The model is an object of class "fGARCHSPEC" as returned by the function garchSpec. The returned model specification comes comes with a slot @model which is a list of just the numeric parameter entries. These are recognized and extracted for use by the function garchSim.

By default the series will be returned as an object of class "ts" or as a "numeric" vector. Having time/date positions, e.g. from an empirical process the numeric vector can be easily transformed into other time series objects like "timeSeries" or "zoo". So one can estimate the parameters of a GARCH process from empirical data using the function garchFit and simulate than statistically equivalent GARCH processes with the same set of model parameters using the function garchSim.

The third entry in the argument returnClass="mts" allows to return a trivariate time series, where the first column contains the simulated "garch" process, the second column the conditional standard deviations "h", and the last column the innovations named "eps".

Note, the default model specifies Bollerslev's GARCH(1,1) model with normal distributed innovations.

# Value

The function garchSim returns an objects of class "timeSeries" attributed by a list with entry \$garchSpec giving the GARCH specification structure as returned by the function garchSpec and

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with information on conditional standard deviations and innovations. See details above.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## garchSpec -
  spec = garchSpec()
  spec
## garchSim -
  # Simulate a "timeSeries" object:
  x = garchSim(spec, n = 50)
  class(x)
  print(x)
## More simulations ...
  # Default GARCH(1,1) - uses default parameter settings
  spec = garchSpec(model = list())
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # ARCH(2) - use default omega and specify alpha, set beta=0!
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(alpha = c(0.2, 0.4), beta = 0))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # AR(1)-ARCH(2) - use default mu, omega
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(ar = 0.5, alpha = c(0.3, 0.4), beta = 0))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  \# AR([1,5])-GARCH(1,1) - use default garch values and subset ar[.]
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(mu = 0.001, ar = c(0.5,0,0,0,0.1)))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # ARMA(1,2)-GARCH(1,1) - use default garch values
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(ar = 0.5, ma = c(0.3, -0.3)))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # GARCH(1,1) - use default omega and specify alpha/beta
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(alpha = 0.2, beta = 0.7))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # GARCH(1,1) - specify omega/alpha/beta
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(omega = 1e-6, alpha = 0.1, beta = 0.8))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # GARCH(1,2) - use default omega and specify alpha[1]/beta[2]
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(alpha = 0.1, beta = c(0.4, 0.4)))
  garchSim(spec, n = 10)
  # GARCH(2,1) - use default omega and specify alpha[2]/beta[1]
```

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```
spec = garchSpec(model = list(alpha = c(0.12, 0.04), beta = 0.08))
garchSim(spec, n = 10)
# snorm-ARCH(1) - use defaults with skew Normal
spec = garchSpec(model = list(beta = 0, skew = 0.8), cond.dist = "snorm")
garchSim(spec, n = 10)
# sged-GARCH(1,1) - using defaults with skew GED
model = garchSpec(model = list(skew = 0.93, shape = 3), cond.dist = "sged")
garchSim(model, n = 10)
# Taylor Schwert GARCH(1,1) - this belongs to the family of APARCH Models
spec = garchSpec(model = list(delta = 1))
garchSim(spec, n = 10)
\# AR(1)-t-APARCH(2, 1) - a little bit more complex specification ...
spec = garchSpec(model = list(mu = 1.0e-4, ar = 0.5, omega = 1.0e-6,
    alpha = c(0.10, 0.05), gamma = c(0, 0), beta = 0.8, delta = 1.8,
    shape = 4, skew = 0.85), cond.dist = "sstd")
garchSim(spec, n = 10)
```

garchSpec

Univariate GARCH Time Series Specification

# **Description**

Specifies an univariate GARCH time series model.

# Usage

```
garchSpec(model = list(), presample = NULL,
    cond.dist = c("norm", "ged", "std", "snorm", "sged", "sstd"),
    rseed = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

cond.dist

a character string naming the desired conditional distribution. Valid values are "norm", "ged", "std", "snorm", "sged", "sstd". The default value is the normal distribution.

model

a list of GARCH model parameters:

omega - the constant coefficient of the variance equation, by default 1e-6; alpha - the value or vector of autoregressive coefficients, by default 0.1, specifying a model of order 1;

beta - the value or vector of variance coefficients, by default 0.8, specifying a model of order 1;

The values for the linear part are:

mu - the mean value, by default NULL;

ar - the autoregressive ARMA coefficients, by default NULL;

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ma - the moving average ARMA coefficients, by default NULL.

The parameters for the conditional distributions are:

skew - the skewness parameter (also named "xi"), by default 0.9, effective only for the "dsnorm", the "dsged", and the "dsstd" skewed conditional distributions:

shape - the shape parameter (also named "nu"), by default 2 for the "dged" and "dsged", and by default 4 for the "dstd" and "dsstd" conditional distributions.

Note, the default model=list() specifies Bollerslev's GARCH(1,1) model with normal conditional distributed innovations.

presample

a numeric three column matrix with start values for the series, for the innovations, and for the conditional variances. For an ARMA(m,n)-GARCH(p,q) process the number of rows must be at least max(m,n,p,q)+1, longer presamples are cutted. Note, all presamples are initialized by a normal-GARCH(p,q) process.

rseed

single integer argument, the seed for the intitialization of the random number generator for the innovations. Using the default value rseed=NULL then the random number generation will be started with set.seed(0).

# **Details**

The function garchSpec specifies a GARCH or APARCH time series process which we can use for simulating artificial GARCH and/or APARCH models. This is very useful for testing the GARCH parameter estimation results, since your model parameters are known and well specified.

For example specifying a subet AR(5[1,5])-GARCH(2,1) model with a standardized Student-t distribution with four degrees of freedom will return the following printed output:

```
garchSpec(model = list(ar = c(0.5,0,0,0,0.1), alpha =
    c(0.1, 0.1), beta = 0.75, shape = 4), cond.dist = "std")
Formula:
 \sim ar(5) + garch(2, 1)
Model:
 ar:
        0.5 0 0 0 0.1
 omega: 1e-06
 alpha: 0.1 0.1
beta: 0.75
Distribution:
 std
Distributional Parameter:
 nu = 4
Presample:
   time
                 Z
                       h y
      0 -0.3262334 2e-05 0
     -1 1.3297993 2e-05 0
     -2 1.2724293 2e-05 0
     -3 0.4146414 2e-05 0
     -4 -1.5399500 2e-05 0
```

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The "Formula" describes the formula expression specifying the generating process, "Model" lists the associated model parameters, "Distribution" the type of the conditional distribution function in use, "Distributional Parmeters" lists the distributional parameter (if any), and the "Presample' shows the presample input matrix.

If we have specified presample=NULL in the argument list, then the presample is generated automatically by default as norm-AR()-GARCH() process.

#### Value

The returned value is an object of class "fGARCHSPEC".

#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## garchSpec -
  # Normal Conditional Distribution:
   spec = garchSpec()
  spec
  # Skewed Normal Conditional Distribution:
   spec = garchSpec(model = list(skew = 0.8), cond.dist = "snorm")
  spec
  # Skewed GED Conditional Distribution:
  spec = garchSpec(model = list(skew = 0.9, shape = 4.8), cond.dist = "sged")
   spec
## More specifications ...
  # Default GARCH(1,1) - uses default parameter settings
  garchSpec(model = list())
  # ARCH(2) - use default omega and specify alpha, set beta=0!
  garchSpec(model = list(alpha = c(0.2, 0.4), beta = 0))
  # AR(1)-ARCH(2) - use default mu, omega
  garchSpec(model = list(ar = 0.5, alpha = c(0.3, 0.4), beta = 0))
  \# AR([1,5])-GARCH(1,1) - use default garch values and subset ar[.]
  garchSpec(model = list(mu = 0.001, ar = c(0.5,0,0,0,0.1)))
  # ARMA(1,2)-GARCH(1,1) - use default garch values
  garchSpec(model = list(ar = 0.5, ma = c(0.3, -0.3)))
  # GARCH(1,1) - use default omega and specify alpha/beta
```

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```
garchSpec(model = list(alpha = 0.2, beta = 0.7))
# GARCH(1,1) - specify omega/alpha/beta
garchSpec(model = list(omega = 1e-6, alpha = 0.1, beta = 0.8))
# GARCH(1,2) - use default omega and specify alpha[1]/beta[2]
garchSpec(model = list(alpha = 0.1, beta = c(0.4, 0.4)))
# GARCH(2,1) - use default omega and specify alpha[2]/beta[1]
garchSpec(model = list(alpha = c(0.12, 0.04), beta = 0.08))
# snorm-ARCH(1) - use defaults with skew Normal
garchSpec(model = list(beta = 0, skew = 0.8), cond.dist = "snorm")
# sged-GARCH(1,1) - using defaults with skew GED
garchSpec(model = list(skew = 0.93, shape = 3), cond.dist = "sged")
# Taylor Schwert GARCH(1,1) - this belongs to the family of APARCH Models
garchSpec(model = list(delta = 1))
\# AR(1)-t-APARCH(2, 1) - a little bit more complex specification ...
garchSpec(model = list(mu = 1.0e-4, ar = 0.5, omega = 1.0e-6,
    alpha = c(0.10, 0.05), gamma = c(0, 0), beta = 0.8, delta = 1.8,
    shape = 4, skew = 0.85), cond.dist = "sstd")
```

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Generalized Error Distribution

# Description

Functions to compute density, distribution function, quantile function and to generate random variates for the generalized error distribution.

# Usage

```
dged(x, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2, log = FALSE)
pged(q, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2)
qged(p, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2)
rged(n, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
mean, sd, nu location parameter mean, scale parameter sd, shape parameter nu.

n the number of observations.

p a numeric vector of probabilities.

x, q a numeric vector of quantiles.

log a logical; if TRUE, densities are given as log densities.
```

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# Value

d\* returns the density, p\* returns the distribution function, q\* returns the quantile function, and r\* generates random deviates, all values are numeric vectors.

#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## sged -
  par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
  set.seed(1953)
  r = rsged(n = 1000)
  plot(r, type = "1", main = "sged", col = "steelblue")
  # Plot empirical density and compare with true density:
  hist(r, n = 25, probability = TRUE, border = "white", col = "steelblue")
  box()
  x = seq(min(r), max(r), length = 201)
  lines(x, dsged(x), lwd = 2)
  # Plot df and compare with true df:
  plot(sort(r), (1:1000/1000), main = "Probability", col = "steelblue",
    ylab = "Probability")
  lines(x, psged(x), lwd = 2)
  # Compute quantiles:
  round(qsged(psged(q = seq(-1, 5, by = 1))), digits = 6)
```

gedFit

Generalized Error Distribution Parameter Estimation

# **Description**

Function to fit the parameters of the generalized error distribution.

#### Usage

```
gedFit(x, ...)
```

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# Arguments

x a numeric vector of quantiles.

... parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.

# Value

gedFit returns a list with the following components:

par The best set of parameters found.

objective The value of objective corresponding to par.

convergence An integer code. 0 indicates successful convergence.

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimizer,

or NULL. For details, see PORT documentation.

iterations Number of iterations performed.

evaluations Number of objective function and gradient function evaluations.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## rged -
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rged(n = 1000)
## gedFit -
    gedFit(r)
```

gedSlider

Geeneralized Error Distribution Slider

# **Description**

Displays interactively the dependence of the GED distribution on its parameters.

#### Usage

```
gedSlider(type = c("dist", "rand"))
```

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# Arguments

type

a character string denoting which interactive plot should be displayed. Either a distribution plot type="dist", the default value, or a random variates plot, type="rand".

#### Value

a Tcl object.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
## gedSlider -
    require(tcltk)
    gedSlider("dist")
    gedSlider("rand")
## End(Not run)
```

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**GARCH Plot Methods** 

# **Description**

Plot methods for GARCH Modelling.

# Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fGARCH,missing'
plot(x, which = "ask", ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
x an object of class "fREG"which a character string denoting which plot should be displayed.... optional arguments to be passed.
```

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# **Details**

The generic function plot allows to display 13 graphs. These are the

Time SeriesPlot
Conditional Standard Deviation Plot
Series Plot with 2 Conditional SD Superimposed
Autocorrelation function Plot of Observations
Autocorrelation function Plot of Squared Observations
Cross Correlation Plot
Residuals Plot
Conditional Standard Deviations Plot
Standardized Residuals Plot
ACF Plot of Standardized Residuals
ACF Plot of Squared Standardized Residuals
Cross Correlation Plot between \$r^2\$ and r
Quantile-Quantile Plot of Standardized Residuals

#### Methods

```
x = "ANY", y = "ANY" Generic function.

x = "fGARCH", y = "missing" Plot function for objects of class "fGARCH".
```

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## garchSim -
    # Default Garch(1,1) Model:
    x = garchSim(n = 200)
    head(x)

## garchFit -
    fit = garchFit(formula = ~ garch(1, 1), data = x, trace = FALSE)

## Batch Plot:
    plot(fit, which = 3)

## Not run:
    # Plot:
        # Interactive Plot:
        plot(fit)

## End(Not run)
```

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predict-methods	GARCH Prediction Function	

# **Description**

Predicts a time series from a fitted GARCH object.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

n.ahead	an integer value, denoting the number of steps to be forecasted, by default 10.
object	an object of class fGARCH as returned by the function garchFit.
trace	a logical flag. Should the prediction process be traced? By default trace=FALSE.
mse	If set to "cond", meanError is defined as the conditional mean errors $\sqrt{E_t[x_{t+h} - E_t(x_{t+h})]^2}$ . If set to "uncond", it is defined as $\sqrt{E[x_{t+h} - E_t(x_{t+h})]^2}$ .
plot	If set to TRUE, the confidence intervals are computed and plotted
nx	The number of observations to be plotted along with the predictions. The default is round(n*0.25), where n is the sample size.
crit_val	The critical values for the confidence intervals when plot is set to TRUE. The intervals are defined as $\hat{x}_{t+h} + \text{crit\_val[2]} \times \text{meanError}$ and $\hat{x}_{t+h} + \text{crit\_val[1]} \times \text{meanError}$ if two critical values are provided and $\hat{x}_{t+h} \pm \text{crit\_val} \times \text{meanError}$ if only one is given. If you do not provide critical values, they will be computed automatically.
conf	The confidence level for the confidence intervals if crit_val is not provided. By default it is set to 0.95. The critical values are then computed using the conditional distribution that was chosen to create the object with garchFit using the same shape and skew parameters. If the conditionnal distribution was set to "QMLE", the critical values are computed using the empirical distribution of the standardized residuals.
	additional arguments to be passed.

# Value

returns a data frame with the following columns: "meanForecast", meanError, and "standardDeviation". The number of records equals the number of forecasting steps n.ahead.

# Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function.
object = "fGARCH" Predict function for objects of class "fGARCH".
```

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# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# **Examples**

```
## garchFit -
  # Parameter Estimation of Default GARCH(1,1) Model:
  set.seed(123)
  fit = garchFit(~ garch(1, 1), data = garchSim(), trace = FALSE)
  fit
## predict -
  predict(fit, n.ahead = 10)
  predict(fit, n.ahead = 10,mse="uncond")
## predict with plotting: critical values = +- 2
  predict(fit, n.ahead = 10, plot=TRUE, crit_val=2)
## predict with plotting: automatic critical values
## for different conditional distributions
 set.seed(321)
 fit2 = garchFit(~ garch(1, 1), data = garchSim(), trace = FALSE, cond.dist="sged")
## 95% confidence level
predict(fit2,n.ahead=20,plot=TRUE)
set.seed(444)
fit3 = garchFit(~ garch(1, 1), data = garchSim(), trace = FALSE, cond.dist="QMLE")
## 90% confidence level and nx=100
predict(fit3,n.ahead=20,plot=TRUE,conf=.9,nx=100)
```

residuals-methods

Extract GARCH Model Residuals

# **Description**

Extracts residuals from a fitted GARCH object.

# Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fGARCH'
residuals(object, standardize = FALSE)
```

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# Arguments

```
object an object of class "fGARCH" as returned from the function garchFit. standardize a logical flag, should the residuals be standardized?
```

#### **Details**

The function extracts the @residuals slot from an object of class "fGARCH" as returned by the function garchFit.

The class of the returned value depends on the input to the function garchFit who created the object. The returned value is always of the same class as the input object to the argument data in the function garchFit, i.e. if you fit a "timeSeries" object, you will get back from the function fitted also a "timeSeries" object, if you fit an object of class "zoo", you will get back again a "zoo" object. The same holds for a "numeric" vector, for a "data.frame", and for objects of class "ts", "mts".

In contrast, the slot itself returns independent of the class of the data input always a numceric vector, i.e. the function call rslot(object, "fitted") will return a numeric vector.

#### Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function
object = "fGARCH" Extractor function for residual from an object of class "fGARCH".
```

#### Note

residuals is a generic function which extracts residual values from objects returned by modeling functions.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## Swiss Pension func Index -
    x = as.timeSeries(data(LPP2005REC))

## garchFit
    fit = garchFit(LPP40 ~ garch(1, 1), data = 100*x, trace = FALSE)
    fit

## residuals -
    res = residuals(fit)
    head(res)
    class(res)

## slot -
    res = slot(fit, "residuals")
    head(res)
```

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Skew Generalized Error Distribution

# **Description**

Functions to compute density, distribution function, quantile function and to generate random variates for the skew generalized error distribution.

# Usage

```
dsged(x, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2, xi = 1.5, log = FALSE)

psged(q, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2, xi = 1.5)

qsged(p, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2, xi = 1.5)

rsged(n, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 2, xi = 1.5)
```

# Arguments

```
mean, sd, nu, xi
location parameter mean, scale parameter sd, shape parameter nu, skewness parameter xi.

n the number of observations.

p a numeric vector of probabilities.

x, q a numeric vector of quantiles.

log a logical; if TRUE, densities are given as log densities.
```

#### Value

d\* returns the density, p\* returns the distribution function, q\* returns the quantile function, and r\* generates random deviates,

all values are numeric vectors.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

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# **Examples**

```
## sged -
   par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
   set.seed(1953)
   r = rsged(n = 1000)
   plot(r, type = "l", main = "sged", col = "steelblue")

# Plot empirical density and compare with true density:
   hist(r, n = 25, probability = TRUE, border = "white", col = "steelblue")
   box()
   x = seq(min(r), max(r), length = 201)
   lines(x, dsged(x), lwd = 2)

# Plot df and compare with true df:
   plot(sort(r), (1:1000/1000), main = "Probability", col = "steelblue",
        ylab = "Probability")
   lines(x, psged(x), lwd = 2)

# Compute quantiles:
   round(qsged(psged(q = seq(-1, 5, by = 1))), digits = 6)
```

sgedFit

Skew Generalized Error Distribution Parameter Estimation

# **Description**

Function to fit the parameters of the skew generalized error distribution.

# Usage

```
sgedFit(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a numeric vector of quantiles.

... parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.

#### Value

sgedFit returns a list with the following components:

par The best set of parameters found.

objective The value of objective corresponding to par.

convergence An integer code. 0 indicates successful convergence.

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimizer,

or NULL. For details, see PORT documentation.

iterations Number of iterations performed.

evaluations Number of objective function and gradient function evaluations.

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# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## rsged -
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rsged(n = 1000)
## sgedFit -
    sgedFit(r)
```

sgedSlider

Skew GED Distribution Slider

# Description

Displays interactively the dependence of the skew GED distribution on its parameters.

# Usage

```
sgedSlider(type = c("dist", "rand"))
```

# **Arguments**

type

a character string denoting which interactive plot should be displayed. Either a distribution plot type="dist", the default value, or a random variates plot, type="rand".

# Value

a Tcl object.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

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# References

Nelson D.B. (1991); Conditional Heteroscedasticity in Asset Returns: A New Approach, Econometrica, 59, 347–370.

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
## sgedSlider -
    require(tcltk)
    sgedSlider("dist")
    sgedSlider("rand")
## End(Not run)
```

show-methods

GARCH Modelling Show Methods

# **Description**

Show methods for GARCH Modelling.

# Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function.
object = "fGARCH" Print function for objects of class "fGARCH".
object = "fGARCHSPEC" Print function for objects of class "fGARCH".
```

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

```
## garchSpec -
    spec = garchSpec()
    print(spec)

## garchSim -
    x = garchSim(spec, n = 500)

## garchFit -
    fit = garchFit(~ garch(1, 1), data = x)
    print(fit)
```

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Skew Normal Distribution

# Description

Functions to compute density, distribution function, quantile function and to generate random variates for the skew normal distribution.

## Usage

```
\label{eq:dsnorm} \begin{split} & \mathsf{dsnorm}(\mathsf{x}, \ \mathsf{mean} = 0, \ \mathsf{sd} = 1, \ \mathsf{xi} = 1.5, \ \mathsf{log} = \mathsf{FALSE}) \\ & \mathsf{psnorm}(\mathsf{q}, \ \mathsf{mean} = 0, \ \mathsf{sd} = 1, \ \mathsf{xi} = 1.5) \\ & \mathsf{qsnorm}(\mathsf{p}, \ \mathsf{mean} = 0, \ \mathsf{sd} = 1, \ \mathsf{xi} = 1.5) \\ & \mathsf{rsnorm}(\mathsf{n}, \ \mathsf{mean} = 0, \ \mathsf{sd} = 1, \ \mathsf{xi} = 1.5) \end{split}
```

# **Arguments**

mean, sd, xi	location parameter mean, scale parameter sd, skewness parameter xi.
n	the number of observations.
p	a numeric vector of probabilities.
x, q	a numeric vector of quantiles.
	parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.
log	a logical; if TRUE, densities are given as log densities.

#### Value

d\* returns the density, p\* returns the distribution function, q\* returns the quantile function, and r\* generates random deviates,

all values are numeric vectors.

#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

## References

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# Examples

```
## snorm -
    # Ranbdom Numbers:
    par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rsnorm(n = 1000)
    plot(r, type = "1", main = "snorm", col = "steelblue")
```

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```
# Plot empirical density and compare with true density:
hist(r, n = 25, probability = TRUE, border = "white", col = "steelblue")
box()
x = seq(min(r), max(r), length = 201)
lines(x, dsnorm(x), lwd = 2)

# Plot df and compare with true df:
plot(sort(r), (1:1000/1000), main = "Probability", col = "steelblue",
    ylab = "Probability")
lines(x, psnorm(x), lwd = 2)

# Compute quantiles:
round(qsnorm(psnorm(q = seq(-1, 5, by = 1))), digits = 6)
```

snormFit

Skew Normal Distribution Parameter Estimation

## **Description**

Function to fit the parameters of the skew normal distribution.

## Usage

```
snormFit(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x a numeric vector of quantiles.

... parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.

#### Value

snormFit returns a list with the following components:

par The best set of parameters found.

objective The value of objective corresponding to par.

convergence An integer code. 0 indicates successful convergence.

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimizer,

or NULL. For details, see PORT documentation.

iterations Number of iterations performed.

evaluations Number of objective function and gradient function evaluations.

#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

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#### References

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## rsnorm -
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rsnorm(n = 1000)
## snormFit -
    snormFit(r)
```

snormSlider

Skew Normal Distribution Slider

#### **Description**

Displays interactively the dependence of the skew Normal distribution on its parameters.

## Usage

```
snormSlider(type = c("dist", "rand"))
```

## **Arguments**

type

a character string denoting which interactive plot should be displayed. Either a distribution plot type="dist", the default value, or a random variates plot, type="rand".

## Value

a Tcl object.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

## References

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
## snormSlider -
    require(tcltk)
    snormSlider("dist")
    snormSlider("rand")
## End(Not run)
```

sstd

Skew Student-t Distribution and Parameter Estimation

#### **Description**

Functions to compute density, distribution function, quantile function and to generate random variates for the skew Student-t distribution.

## Usage

```
\label{eq:dsstd} \begin{split} & \text{dsstd}(x, \text{ mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5, xi = 1.5, log = FALSE}) \\ & \text{psstd}(q, \text{ mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5, xi = 1.5}) \\ & \text{qsstd}(p, \text{ mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5, xi = 1.5}) \\ & \text{rsstd}(n, \text{ mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5, xi = 1.5}) \end{split}
```

## **Arguments**

#### Value

d\* returns the density, p\* returns the distribution function, q\* returns the quantile function, and r\* generates random deviates, all values are numeric vectors.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

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## **Examples**

```
## sstd -
    par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rsstd(n = 1000)
    plot(r, type = "l", main = "sstd", col = "steelblue")

# Plot empirical density and compare with true density:
    hist(r, n = 25, probability = TRUE, border = "white", col = "steelblue")
    box()
    x = seq(min(r), max(r), length = 201)
    lines(x, dsstd(x), lwd = 2)

# Plot df and compare with true df:
    plot(sort(r), (1:1000/1000), main = "Probability", col = "steelblue",
        ylab = "Probability")
    lines(x, psstd(x), lwd = 2)

# Compute quantiles:
    round(qsstd(psstd(q = seq(-1, 5, by = 1))), digits = 6)
```

sstdFit

Skew Student-t Distribution Parameter Estimation

#### **Description**

Function to fit the parameters of the Student-t distribution.

## Usage

```
sstdFit(x, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x a numeric vector of quantiles.

... parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.

#### Value

sstdFit returns a list with the following components:

par The best set of parameters found.

objective The value of objective corresponding to par.

convergence An integer code. 0 indicates successful convergence.

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimizer,

or NULL. For details, see PORT documentation.

iterations Number of iterations performed.

evaluations Number of objective function and gradient function evaluations.

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#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## sstd -
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rsstd(n = 1000)
## sstdFit -
    sstdFit(r)
```

sstdSlider

Skew Student-t Distribution Slider

# Description

Displays interactively the dependence of the skew Student-t distribution on its parameters.

## Usage

```
sstdSlider(type = c("dist", "rand"))
```

#### **Arguments**

type

a character string denoting which interactive plot should be displayed. Either a distribution plot type="dist", the default value, or a random variates plot, type="rand".

## Value

a Tcl object.

## Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
## sstdSlider -
    require(tcltk)
    sstdSlider("dist")
    sstdSlider("rand")
## End(Not run)
```

std

Student-t Distribution

# **Description**

Functions to compute density, distribution function, quantile function and to generate random variates for the Student-t distribution.

# Usage

```
dstd(x, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5, log = FALSE)

pstd(q, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5)

qstd(p, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5)

rstd(n, mean = 0, sd = 1, nu = 5)
```

## Arguments

```
mean, sd, nu location parameter mean, scale parameter sd, shape parameter nu.

n the number of observations.

p a numeric vector of probabilities.

x, q a numeric vector of quantiles.

log a logical; if TRUE, densities are given as log densities.
```

## Value

d\* returns the density, p\* returns the distribution function, q\* returns the quantile function, and r\* generates random deviates,

all values are numeric vectors.

## Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

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#### **Examples**

```
## std -
    par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rstd(n = 1000)
    plot(r, type = "l", main = "sstd", col = "steelblue")

# Plot empirical density and compare with true density:
    hist(r, n = 25, probability = TRUE, border = "white", col = "steelblue")
    box()
    x = seq(min(r), max(r), length = 201)
    lines(x, dstd(x), lwd = 2)

# Plot df and compare with true df:
    plot(sort(r), (1:1000/1000), main = "Probability", col = "steelblue",
        ylab = "Probability")
    lines(x, pstd(x), lwd = 2)

# Compute quantiles:
    round(qstd(pstd(q = seq(-1, 5, by = 1))), digits = 6)
```

stdFit

Student-t Distribution Parameter Estimation

## **Description**

Function to fit the parameters of the Student-t distribution.

## Usage

```
stdFit(x, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x a numeric vector of quantiles.

... parameters parsed to the optimization function nlm.

#### Value

stdFit returns a list with the following components:

par The best set of parameters found.

objective The value of objective corresponding to par.

convergence An integer code. 0 indicates successful convergence.

message A character string giving any additional information returned by the optimizer,

or NULL. For details, see PORT documentation.

iterations Number of iterations performed.

evaluations Number of objective function and gradient function evaluations.

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#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

#### References

Fernandez C., Steel M.F.J. (2000); On Bayesian Modelling of Fat Tails and Skewness, Preprint, 31 pages.

# **Examples**

```
## std -
    set.seed(1953)
    r = rstd(n = 1000)
## stdFit -
    stdFit(r)
```

stdSlider

Student-t Distribution Slider

# **Description**

Displays interactively the dependence of the Student-t distribution on its parameters.

# Usage

```
stdSlider(type = c("dist", "rand"))
```

## **Arguments**

type

a character string denoting which interactive plot should be displayed. Either a distribution plot type="dist", the default value, or a random variates plot, type="rand".

#### Value

a Tcl object.

# Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
## stdSlider -
    require(tcltk)
    stdSlider("dist")
    stdSlider("rand")
## End(Not run)
```

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GARCH Summary Methods

#### **Description**

Summary methods for GARCH Modelling.

## Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function
object = "fGARCH" Summary function for objects of class "fGARCH".
```

## How to read a diagnostic summary report?

The first five sections return the title, the call, the mean and variance formula, the conditional distribution and the type of standard errors:

```
Title:
   GARCH Modelling

Call:
   garchFit(~ garch(1, 1), data = garchSim(), trace = FALSE)

Mean and Variance Equation:
   ~arch(0)

Conditional Distribution:
   norm

Std. Errors:
   based on Hessian
```

The next three sections return the estimated coefficients, and an error analysis including standard errors, t values, and probabilities, as well as the log Likelihood values from optimization:

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```
Coefficient(s):
                                 alpha1
                                                 beta1
         mu
                     omega
-5.79788e-05
              7.93017e-06
                           1.59456e-01
                                           2.30772e-01
Error Analysis:
        Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
       -5.798e-05 2.582e-04
                               -0.225
                                         0.822
                                1.494
                                         0.135
       7.930e-06
                   5.309e-06
omega
alpha1 1.595e-01
                   1.026e-01
                                1.554
                                         0.120
beta1
       2.308e-01
                    4.203e-01
                                0.549
                                         0.583
Log Likelihood:
 -843.3991
             normalized: -Inf
```

The next section provides results on standardized residuals tests, including statistic and p values, and on information criterion statistic including AIC, BIC, SIC, and HQIC:

#### Standardized Residuals Tests:

```
Statistic p-Value
Jarque-Bera Test R
                        Chi^2 0.4172129 0.8117146
Shapiro-Wilk Test R
                               0.9957817 0.8566985
                        W
Ljung-Box Test
                   R
                        Q(10) 13.05581 0.2205680
Ljung-Box Test
                        Q(15) 14.40879 0.4947788
Ljung-Box Test
                        Q(20)
                               38.15456 0.008478302
                   R
Ljung-Box Test
                   R^2 Q(10)
                               7.619134 0.6659837
Ljung-Box Test
                   R<sup>2</sup> Q(15) 13.89721 0.5333388
Ljung-Box Test
                   R<sup>2</sup> Q(20) 15.61716 0.7400728
LM Arch Test
                        TR<sup>2</sup>
                               7.049963 0.8542942
```

#### Information Criterion Statistics:

```
AIC BIC SIC HQIC 8.473991 8.539957 8.473212 8.500687
```

#### Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

# **Examples**

```
## garchSim -
    x = garchSim(n = 200)
## garchFit -
    fit = garchFit(formula = x ~ garch(1, 1), data = x, trace = FALSE)
    summary(fit)
```

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TimeSeriesData	Time Series Data Sets

#### **Description**

Data sets used in the examples of the timeSeries packages.

volatility-methods Extract GARCH Model Volatility

## Description

Extracts volatility from a fitted GARCH object.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fGARCH'
volatility(object, type = c("sigma", "h"), ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object an object of class fGARCH as returned from the function garchFit().

type a character string denoting if the conditional standard deviations "sigma" or the

variances "h" should be returned.

... additional arguments to be passed.

#### **Details**

The function extracts the @volatility from the slots @sigma.t or @h.t of an object of class "fGARCH" as returned by the function garchFit.

The class of the returned value depends on the input to the function garchFit who created the object. The returned value is always of the same class as the input object to the argument data in the function garchFit, i.e. if you fit a "timeSeries" object, you will get back from the function fitted also a "timeSeries" object, if you fit an object of class "zoo", you will get back again a "zoo" object. The same holds for a "numeric" vector, for a "data.frame", and for objects of class "ts", "mts".

In contrast, the slot itself returns independent of the class of the data input always a numceric vector, i.e. the function call rslot(object, "fitted") will return a numeric vector.

## Methods

```
object = "ANY" Generic function.
```

**object = "fGARCH"** Extractor function for volatility or standard deviation from an object of class "fGARCH".

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## Note

volatility is a generic function which extracts volatility values from objects returned by modeling functions.

## Author(s)

Diethelm Wuertz for the Rmetrics R-port.

## **Examples**

```
## Swiss Pension func Index -
  x = as.timeSeries(data(LPP2005REC))
## garchFit
  fit = garchFit(LPP40 ~ garch(1, 1), data = 100*x, trace = FALSE)
## volatility -
  # Standard Deviation:
  volatility = volatility(fit, type = "sigma")
  head(volatility)
  class(volatility)
  # Variance:
  volatility = volatility(fit, type = "h")
  head(volatility)
  class(volatility)
## slot -
  volatility = slot(fit, "sigma.t")
  head(volatility)
  class(volatility)
  volatility = slot(fit, "h.t")
  head(volatility)
  class(volatility)
```

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