

Problem 1

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$$\begin{cases} Y_t = \sigma_t d\beta_t \\ \sigma_t^2 = c + b_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 + a_1 Y_{t-1}^2 \end{cases}$$

Writing $V_k := \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2]$, compute

$$\begin{aligned} V_{k+1} &= \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k+1}^2] = \mathbb{E}_t[c + b_1 \sigma_{t+k}^2 + a_1 Y_{t+k}^2] = \\ &= c + b_1 \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2] + a_1 \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2 d\beta_{t+k}^2] = \\ &= c + b_1 \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2] + a_1 \mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2] \mathbb{E}[d\beta_{t+k}^2] = \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \text{independent, as } \sigma_{t+k} \text{ only depends on } \\ &\quad d\beta_{t+k-1}, d\beta_{t+k-2}, \dots. \text{ Also, } \mathbb{E}_t[d\beta_{t+k}^2] = \\ &\quad = \text{Var}(d\beta) = 1. \\ &= c + b_1 V_k + a_1 V_k = \underline{c + (b_1 + a_1) V_k}, \end{aligned}$$

This could be rewritten as

$$\left(V_{k+1} - \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}\right) = (a_1 + b_1) \left(V_k - \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}\right), \quad V_t = \sigma_t^2$$

Last recurrence is easily solved:

$$\left(V_k - \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}\right) = \left(\sigma_t^2 - \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}\right) (a_1 + b_1)^k.$$

So finally, $\mathbb{E}_t[\sigma_{t+k}^2] = \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1} + \left(\sigma_t^2 - \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}\right)(a_1+b_1)^k$.

Note that as $k \rightarrow \infty$ $\mathbb{E}[\sigma_{t+k}^2] \rightarrow \frac{c}{1-a_1-b_1}$ if $a_1+b_1 < 1$.

Problem 3

a. $H(t+1) = 1/2 + H(t) + \varepsilon_{t+1}$ where $\varepsilon_t = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{w/ } p = 1/2 \\ -1/2 & \text{w/ } p = 1/2 \end{cases}$
 $T(t+1) = 1/2 + T(t) + \eta_{t+1}$ ε_t i.i.d w/ mean 0,
 $\eta_t = -\varepsilon_t$ i.i.d m.o.
 $X(t+1) = H(t+1) - T(t+1) = H(t) - T(t) + \varepsilon_{t+1} - \eta_{t+1}$
 $= X(t) + 2\varepsilon_{t+1}$ i.i.d mean 0

So H_t, T_t, X_t are all AR(1).

b. $\mathbb{E}_t(H_{t+1}) = 1/2 + H_t + \mathbb{E}_t(\varepsilon_{t+1}) = H_t + 1/2$ \ not
 $\mathbb{E}_t(T_{t+1}) = 1/2 + T_t + \mathbb{E}_t(\eta_{t+1}) = T_t + 1/2$ / martingales.
 $\mathbb{E}_t(X_{t+1}) = X_t + \mathbb{E}(2\varepsilon_{t+1}) = X_t$ - martingale

c. All AR(1) processes are Markov, so X_t, H_t, T_t are Markov.

d. Note the distribution of $\tilde{z}_t^n := (2\varepsilon_t)^n$

if n is even $p(\xi_t^n = 1) = 1$, and $E_s[\xi_t^n] = 1$ for $s < t$
 if n is odd $p(\xi_t = 1) = 1/2$, $p(\xi_t = -1) = 1/2$, $E_s[\xi_t^n] = 0$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E_t[X_{t+1}^n] &= E_t[(X_t + \xi_{t+1})^n] = E_t\left(\sum_{k=0}^n X_t^{n-k} \xi_{t+1}^k \binom{n}{k}\right) = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n E_t\left(X_t^{n-k} \xi_{t+1}^k \binom{n}{k}\right) = \sum_{k=0}^n X_t^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} E_t(\xi_{t+1}^k) = \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ \text{K even}}}^n X_t^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} = \frac{(X_t+1)^n + (X_t-1)^n}{2} \neq X_t \text{ for } n > 1. \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 4

a) $dX_t = X_t \alpha dt + X_t \sigma(t, X_t) d\beta$

By Ito's lemma with $f(t, x) = \log(x)$,

$$d(\log X_t) = \left(X_t \alpha \frac{1}{X_t} - \frac{\sigma^2 X_t^2}{2 X_t^2} \right) dt + X_t \sigma \frac{1}{X} d\beta$$

$$\underline{d(\log X_t) = \left(\alpha - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) dt + \sigma d\beta,}$$

b) Intuitively, as γ increases, variance should be "shaking more". This should mean that it gets large more often, so there are more outliers. Thus, kurtosis should increase.

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