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**Dissertation Multifractal Triple Estimator**

**Overview**

A specialized Python implementation for academic research in financial mathematics and econophysics, the estimator extracts the three core multifractal parameters of financial time series:

* **Tail index (alpha)**: Measures the heaviness of distribution tails, indicating extreme risk.
* **Hurst exponent (H)**: Characterizes long-term memory or persistence in returns.
* **Intermittency (lambda)**: Captures volatility clustering and multifractal volatility.

Features:

* Pure academic focus with clean outputs.
* Multiple stream processing for simultaneous analysis.
* Options analysis extension for derivative research.
* Built-in statistical validation.

**Theoretical Foundation**

**Multifractal Framework**  
Financial time series exhibit multifractal behavior, varying across time horizons and magnitudes. The estimator targets:

| **Parameter** | **Role** | **Range (typical)** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| alpha | Tail heaviness, extreme risk | 2–4 (equities) |
| H | Long-term memory/persistence | 0.35–0.75 (markets) |
| lambda | Volatility clustering | 0.1–0.4 (equities) |

**1. Tail Index (alpha)**

* Formula: P(X > x) ≈ (x/u)^(-alpha) for x → ∞; alpha between 1 and 5.Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx
* Interpretation:
  + 1–2: Infinite variance, extreme risk
  + 2–3: Heavy tails, large loss probability
  + 3–4: Moderate tails, typical equity behaviour
  + 4: Light tails, near-Gaussian

**2. Hurst Exponent (H)**

* Formula: E[|B(t+tau) - B(t)|^q] ≈ tau^(qH)Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx.
* Interpretation:
  + <0.5: Mean-reverting
  + =0.5: Random walk
  + 0.5: Trending

**3. Intermittency (lambda)**

* Formula: Cov(log|r(t)|, log|r(t+tau)|) ≈ exp(-tau/tau\_c); lambda ≈ 1/sqrt(tau\_c)Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx.
* Interpretation:
  + ≈0: No clustering
  + 0.1–0.2: Moderate (daily equity)
  + 0.2–0.4: Strong (high-frequency)

**Installation & Requirements**

Requirements:

* Python ≥3.7, Windows/macOS/Linux, 4GB+ RAM, ≥50MB disk.
* Dependencies: numpy, pandas, scipy.Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx

**Sample Installation**

python

**from** dissertation\_multifractal\_estimator **import** MultifractalTripleEstimator

estimator = MultifractalTripleEstimator()

**print**("✔ Installation successful")

**Quick Start Guide**

Basic single-asset analysis:

python

**from** dissertation\_multifractal\_estimator **import** analyze\_single\_asset

result = analyze\_single\_asset('nasdaq100\_returns.csv')

**print**("Tail Index (alpha):", result['alpha'])

**print**("Hurst Exponent (H):", result['H'])

**print**("Intermittency (lambda):", result['lambda'])

Expected output example:

python

{

'stream': 'nasdaq100\_returns.csv',

'alpha': 2.16, 'H': 0.55, 'lambda': 0.18, 'n\_obs': 4400,

'data\_quality': {

'sample\_size': 4400,

'mean\_return': 0.0008,

'volatility': 0.0142,

'skewness': -0.23,

'kurtosis': 5.67,

'max\_drawdown': -0.087

}

}

**Academic Methods**

**Tail Index**: Enhanced Hill estimator, optimizes threshold using Kolmogorov-Smirnov.  
**Hurst**: Structure function scaling, regression on lagged returns.  
**Intermittency**: Covariance decay of log-volatility, fits exponential model to autocorrelation.

**Data Requirements**

* Minimum 100 (ideally 1000+) observations.
* CSV format, columns: date, logreturns (returns must be log, not simple).
* Missing values and outliers flagged; assumes stationary, chronologically ordered data.

**Output Interpretation**

| **Parameter** | **Range** | **Interpretation** | **Finance Implication** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| alpha | 1–2 | Extreme tails | Infinite variance, high risk |
|  | 2–3 | Heavy tails | High probability large loss |
|  | 3–4 | Moderate | Typical equity |
|  | >4 | Light tails | Near-Gaussian |
| Hurst | 0.3–0.5 | Anti-persistent | Mean-reversion/opps profits |
|  | ~0.5 | Random walk | Market efficiency |
|  | 0.5–0.7 | Persistent | Momentum profits |
| Lambda | 0.05–0.1 | Low clustering | Stable volatility |
|  | 0.1–0.2 | Moderate | Typical equity |
|  | 0.2–0.4 | High clustering | Persistent volatility |

Other metrics: Skewness <0 flags left tail risk; Kurtosis >3 flags heavy tails; Drawdown quantifies risk.Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx

**Multiple Stream Processing**

Easily process multiple assets or periods for cross-market or time-varying analysis. Output format is Python dict per stream, ready for table/figure generation.Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx

**Options Analysis Extension**

Additional fields for derivatives:

* current\_price, realized\_volatility, risk\_free\_rate, jumps, mean reversion, vol\_of\_vol, autocorrelation.
* Use these with Black-Scholes, jump-diffusion, or multifractal pricing models.

**Validation & Quality Assurance**

Parameter bounds enforced:

* alpha: , H: [0.35, 0.75], lambda: [0.05, 0.4].Multifractal-Triple-Estimator-Documentation.docx
* Data checks: sample size, finite values, stationarity, outliers.
* Robustness: threshold testing, regression R-squared, convergence.

Usage warnings:

* boundary values may signal data or model issues.
* cross-parameter consistency checked.

**Implementation Examples**

**Basic**

python

result = analyze\_single\_asset('nasdaq100\_returns.csv')

**print**("Alpha:", result['alpha'])

**Multiple assets**

python

results = analyze\_multiple\_assets({

'S&P500': 'sp500.csv', 'NASDAQ': 'nasdaq.csv'

})

**Time-varying**

python

estimator = MultifractalTripleEstimator()

results = [estimator.estimate\_triple(returns[start:end]) **for** start, end **in** windows]

**Options extension**

python

full\_analysis = dissertation\_analysis\_suite('with\_prices.csv')

**print**(full\_analysis['options\_inputs']['jump\_intensity'])

**Literature References**

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