ARMA-X Analysis

Contents

Data

Load Base Data

```
# 1. Load Political Social Media

#contains posts from Twitter & TruthSocial
social <- read.csv(here("data/mothership", "social.csv"))

social_hourly <- read.csv(here("data/mothership", "socialhourly.csv"))


# 2. Load Financial

#S&P500
SPY <- read.csv(here("data/mothership", "SPY.csv"))

#STOXX50
VGK <- read.csv(here("data/mothership", "VGK.csv"))

#CSI 300 (China)
ASHR <- read.csv(here("data/mothership", "ASHR.CSV"))
```

```
#make posixct
SPY$timestamp = as.POSIXct(SPY$timestamp,format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
VGK$timestamp = as.POSIXct(VGK$timestamp,format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
ASHR$timestamp = as.POSIXct(ASHR$timestamp,format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
social$timestamp = as.POSIXct(social$timestamp,format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
social_hourly$timestamp = as.POSIXct(social_hourly$timestamp,format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
```

Volatility

```
#find hourly volatility
#NOTE: this ignores tweets made outside trading hours!!
SPY_volatility_alltime = dplyr::select(SPY,timestamp,r_vol_h)

#aggregating per hour
SPY_volatility_alltime = SPY_volatility_alltime %>%
          mutate(timestamp = floor_date(timestamp, unit = "hour")) %>%
          distinct(timestamp, .keep_all = TRUE)

#select time period
SPY_volatility = filter(SPY_volatility_alltime,
                  between(timestamp,
                          as.Date('2025-01-01'),
                          as.Date('2025-04-10')))
```

Number of Posts

```
#find count
tweetcount_alltime = dplyr::select(social_hourly,timestamp,N)

#select time period
tweetcount = filter(tweetcount_alltime,
                    between(timestamp,
                            as.Date('2025-01-01'),
                            as.Date('2025-04-10')))

#plot
ggplot(tweetcount_alltime, aes(x = timestamp, y = N)) +
    geom_point(color = "#253494", size = 1) +
    scale_x_datetime(date_labels = "%b %Y", date_breaks = "9 month") +
    labs(title = "Trump Social Media Count",
         x = NULL,
         y = "number of tweets/truths") +
    theme_minimal(base_size = 14) +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1),
          plot.title = element_text(face = "bold", hjust = 0.5))
```

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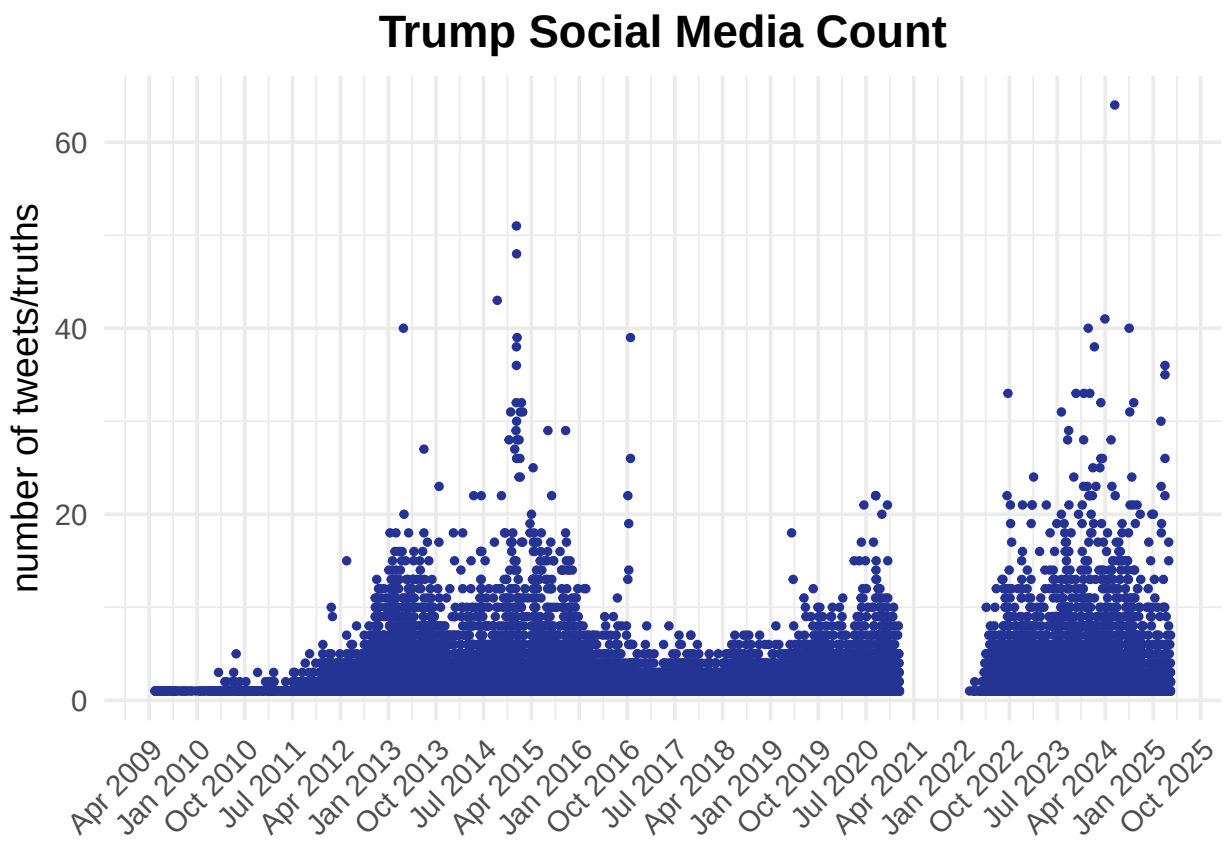
## Warning: Removed 1172 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
## (`geom_point()`).
```



Dummy for Social Media Post

```
#find dummy
tweetdummy_alltime = dplyr::select(social_hourly,timestamp,dummy)

#select time period
tweetdummy = filter(tweetdummy_alltime,
                    between(timestamp,
                            as.Date('2025-01-01'),
                            as.Date('2025-04-10')))
```

Number of Tweets Mentioning Tariffs

```
#find count
tariff_alltime = dplyr::select(social_hourly,timestamp,total_tariff)

#select time period
tariff = filter(tariff_alltime,
                    between(timestamp,
                            as.Date('2025-01-01'),
                            as.Date('2025-04-10')))
```

Number of Tweets Mentioning Trade

```
#find count
trade_alltime = dplyr::select(social_hourly,timestamp,total_trade)

#select time period
trade = filter(trade_alltime,
                    between(timestamp,
                            as.Date('2025-01-01'),
                            as.Date('2025-04-10')))
```

Merge

```
#merge our dependant and independant vars
armax_data = left_join(SPY_volatility, tweetcount, by="timestamp")
armax_data = left_join(armax_data, tweetdummy, by="timestamp")
armax_data = left_join(armax_data, tariff, by="timestamp")
armax_data = left_join(armax_data, trade, by="timestamp")

#convert NA to zeroes
armax_data$N[is.na(armax_data$N)] = 0
armax_data$dummy[is.na(armax_data$dummy)] = 0
armax_data$total_tariff[is.na(armax_data$total_tariff)] = 0
armax_data$total_trade[is.na(armax_data$total_trade)] = 0
```

ARMA-X Models

Find Number of Lags

```
nb.lags <- 3 #r
count_lags <- embed(armax_data$N, nb.lags + 1)
dummy_lags <- embed(armax_data$dummy, nb.lags + 1)
tariff_lags <- embed(armax_data$total_tariff, nb.lags + 1)
trade_lags <- embed(armax_data$total_trade, nb.lags + 1)
#colnames(count_lags) <- paste0("Lag_", 0:nb.lags)

#align volatility to match count rows (for lag)
vol_aligned <- tail(armax_data$r_vol_h, nrow(count_lags))

#choosing how many lags
# fit an ARMA(0,0,0) model with lm (with r set above)
eq <- lm(vol_aligned ~ count_lags)
eq2 <- lm(vol_aligned ~ dummy_lags)
eq3 <- lm(vol_aligned ~ tariff_lags)
eq4 <- lm(vol_aligned ~ trade_lags)

#compute Newey-West HAC standard errors for count
var.cov.mat1 <- NeweyWest(eq, lag = 7, prewhite = FALSE)
robust_se1 <- sqrt(diag(var.cov.mat1))
#for dummy
var.cov.mat2 <- NeweyWest(eq2, lag = 7, prewhite = FALSE)
robust_se2 <- sqrt(diag(var.cov.mat2))
#for tariff
var.cov.mat3 <- NeweyWest(eq3, lag = 7, prewhite = FALSE)
robust_se3 <- sqrt(diag(var.cov.mat3))
#for trade
var.cov.mat4 <- NeweyWest(eq4, lag = 7, prewhite = FALSE)
robust_se4 <- sqrt(diag(var.cov.mat4))



#output table; significant lags are how many we choose
stargazer(eq, eq, type = "latex",
          column.labels = c("(no HAC)", "(HAC)"), keep.stat = "n",
          se = list(NULL, robust_se1), no.space = TRUE)
```

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```
#output table; significant lags are how many we choose
stargazer(eq2, eq2, type = "latex",
          column.labels = c("(no HAC)", "(HAC)"), keep.stat = "n",
          se = list(NULL, robust_se2), no.space = TRUE)
```

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Table 1:

	Dependent variable:	
	vol_aligned	
	(no HAC)	(HAC)
	(1)	(2)
count_lags1	0.008	0.008
	(0.016)	(0.009)
count_lags2	−0.001	−0.001
	(0.016)	(0.007)
count_lags3	0.019	0.019
	(0.016)	(0.019)
count_lags4	0.008	0.008
	(0.016)	(0.006)
Constant	0.104***	0.104***
	(0.033)	(0.029)
Observations	466	466
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

Table 2:

	Dependent variable:	
	vol_aligned	
	(no HAC)	(HAC)
	(1)	(2)
dummy_lags1	0.048	0.048
	(0.048)	(0.057)
dummy_lags2	−0.016	−0.016
	(0.048)	(0.029)
dummy_lags3	0.071	0.071
	(0.048)	(0.053)
dummy_lags4	0.042	0.042
	(0.048)	(0.045)
Constant	0.073*	0.073***
	(0.044)	(0.017)
Observations	466	466
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

```
#output table; significant lags are how many we choose
stargazer(eq3, eq3, type = "latex",
          column.labels = c("(no HAC)", "(HAC)"), keep.stat = "n",
          se = list(NULL, robust_se3), no.space = TRUE)
```

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Table 3:

	Dependent variable:	
	vol_aligned	
	(no HAC)	(HAC)
	(1)	(2)
tariff_lags1	0.012	0.012
	(0.128)	(0.031)
tariff_lags2	0.037	0.037
	(0.128)	(0.059)
tariff_lags3	0.027	0.027
	(0.128)	(0.045)
tariff_lags4	0.065	0.065*
	(0.128)	(0.039)
Constant	0.125***	0.125***
	(0.024)	(0.037)
Observations	466	466
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

```
#output table; significant lags are how many we choose
stargazer(eq4, eq4, type = "latex",
          column.labels = c("(no HAC)", "(HAC)"), keep.stat = "n",
          se = list(NULL, robust_se4), no.space = TRUE)
```

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Tweet Count on Volatility by hour

```
#find best armax model and fit
auto.arima(armax_data$r_vol_h, xreg=armax_data$N,
                       max.p = 5, max.q = 5, max.d = 0, ic = "aic")
```

```
## Series: armax_data$r_vol_h
## Regression with ARIMA(1,0,0) errors
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1  intercept     xreg
##       0.3463     0.1297  -0.0015
## s.e.  0.0434     0.0348   0.0141
```

Table 4:

	Dependent variable:	
	vol_aligned	
	(no HAC)	(HAC)
	(1)	(2)
trade_lags1	0.064	0.064
	(0.228)	(0.090)
trade_lags2	0.139	0.139
	(0.228)	(0.179)
trade_lags3	0.071	0.071
	(0.228)	(0.105)
trade_lags4	0.153	0.153*
	(0.228)	(0.089)
Constant	0.125***	0.125***
	(0.024)	(0.035)
Observations	466	466
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

```
##
## sigma^2 = 0.2254:  log likelihood = -314.66
## AIC=637.32   AICc=637.4   BIC=653.92
```

Tweet Dummy on Volatility by hour

```
#find best armax model and fit
auto.arima(armax_data$r_vol_h, xreg=armax_data$dummy,
                       max.p = 5, max.q = 5, max.d = 0, ic = "aic")
```

```
## Series: armax_data$r_vol_h
## Regression with ARIMA(1,0,0) errors
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1  intercept    xreg
##       0.3450     0.1227  0.0157
## s.e.  0.0434     0.0371  0.0427
##
## sigma^2 = 0.2253:  log likelihood = -314.6
## AIC=637.19   AICc=637.28   BIC=653.79
```

Tariff Mention on Volatility by hour

```
#find best armax model and fit
auto.arima(armax_data$r_vol_h, xreg=armax_data$total_tariff,
                       max.p = 5, max.q = 5, max.d = 0, ic = "aic")
```

```
## Series: armax_data$r_vol_h
## Regression with ARIMA(1,0,0) errors
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1  intercept     xreg
##       0.3469     0.1297  -0.0431
## s.e.  0.0433     0.0335   0.1122
##
## sigma^2 = 0.2253:  log likelihood = -314.59
## AIC=637.18   AICc=637.27   BIC=653.78
```

Trade Mention on Volatility by hour

```
#find best armax model and fit
auto.arima(armax_data$r_vol_h, xreg=armax_data$total_trade,
                        max.p = 5, max.q = 5, max.d = 0, ic = "aic")
```

```
## Series: armax_data$r_vol_h
## Regression with ARIMA(1,0,0) errors
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1  intercept     xreg
##       0.3484     0.1295  -0.1159
## s.e.  0.0434     0.0335   0.2007
##
## sigma^2 = 0.2252:  log likelihood = -314.5
## AIC=636.99   AICc=637.08   BIC=653.6
```