The Econometrics of Financial Market Volatility:Past Developments and New Directions

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Brief Historical Perspective

- Volatility Clustering and Why We Care
- ARCH, GARCH, and Stochastic Volatility Models
- Realized Volatility (RV)

Current Themes

- RV and Market Microstructure "Noise"
- RV, Jumps, and Distributional Implications
- Multivariate RV Measures
- RV, ImpV, and Volatility Risk Premia

Volatility Clustering

• Volatility clusters in time

" *... large changes tend to be followed by large changes, of either sign, and small changes tend to be followed by small changes ...* "

Mandelbrot (1963, *J. Business*)

S&P500 Daily Returns and Option Implied Volatilities, 1/2/1990 - 12/12/2008

VIX, 10/20/2008 - 10/24/2008

– Intraday high of 89.53

U.K. consol prices, 1729-1957

Brown, Burdekin and Weidenmeir (2006, *Journal of Financial Economics*)

 \bullet Why should we care about volatility clustering?

Why Do We Care?

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- Volatility/risk is central to financial economics
	- Sign forecasting and market timing
	- Credit and default risk
	- Risk measurement and management
	- CAPM and other asset pricing models
	- Portfolio allocation and diversification
	- Option pricing and volatility trading

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• Sign Forecasting and Market Timing

Andersen, Bollerslev, Christoffersen and Diebold (2006, *Handbook of Economic Forecasting*)

- Same mean but $P(r_t)$ < 0 differs
- Bankruptcy (assets < liabilities)
- Credit risk
- Risk Measurement and Management
	- Value-at-Risk (VaR)
		- Specific quantile in loss/return distribution
		- Basel Accord I and II

1% One-Day VaR's

Andersen, Bollerslev, Christoffersen and Diebold (2006, *Handbook of Economic Forecasting*)

– Standard historical VaR correct on average, but ...

• Asset Pricing

– CAPM $E(r_{i,t}) = r_f + \beta_i \lambda$ $\beta_i = \frac{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{r}_{i,t}, \mathbf{r}_{m,t})}{\text{Var}(\mathbf{r}_{m,t})}$ - Standard $\beta_{i,t} = \frac{t-1 \cdot \mu}{\sigma_i}$ $\frac{m_i t}{\sigma_i}$ $\frac{m_i t}{\sigma_i}$ $\frac{m_i t}{\sigma_i}$ $\frac{m_i t}{\sigma_i}$ $\frac{m_i t}{\sigma_i}$

- Consumption-based CAPM
- Multi-factor (APT) models

• Option Pricing and Volatility Trading

$$
Call_t = e^{-r_f T} E_t^* (\max\{P_{t+T} - K, 0\})
$$

\n
$$
Put_t = e^{-r_f T} E_t^* (\max\{K - P_{t+T}, 0\})
$$

Bollerslev and Mikkelsen (1999, *Journal of Econometrics*)

– Black-Scholes assumes σ constant ...

- Volatility clusters in time
- Volatility is central to financial economics
- But, how to predict volatility?
	- Need a statistical/econometric model
	- ARCH/GARCH and stochastic volatility models

ARCH/GARCH Models

• ARCH (AutoRegressive Conditional Heteroskedasticity)

Engle (1982, *Econometrica*)

– Discrete-time model

– Explicitly parameterizes the time *t* conditional variance as afunction of time *t-1* information

$$
Var(r_t | \Omega_{t-1}) = \sigma_t^2
$$

– But how?

• $ARCH(q) \text{ model}$

$$
\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \alpha_1 \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_2 \epsilon_{t-2}^2 + \dots + \alpha_q \epsilon_{t-q}^2
$$

- Like a rolling sample variance
- In practice, large *q* and (too) many alpha's

• Generalized ARCH, or GARCH model

Bollerslev (1986, *J. of Econometrics*)

- Like going from AR to ARMA
- Simple GARCH(1,1) model often works well

 $\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$

• Numerous alternative GARCH type parameterizations and refinements ...

• An incomplete list of GARCH acronyms

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Bollerslev (2008, *Engle Festschrift*)

Stochastic Volatility (SV) Models

• GARCH is a discrete-time model

– Largely empirically motivated and ad hoc

- Finance theory, and derivatives pricing in particular, often cast in continuous-time
	- Continuous-time random walk

 $dp(t) = \mu dt + \sigma dW(t)$

- Black-Scholes and many other pricing formula
- But, of course, σ is not constant
- Time-varying diffusive volatility

 $dp(t) = \mu dt + \sigma(t) dW(t)$

• Time-varying diffusive volatility

$$
dp(t) = \mu dt + \sigma(t) dW(t)
$$

- First generation models
	- Cox-Ingersoll-Ross (CIR) model: $\sigma(t) = \eta p(t)^{1/2}$
	- Constant Elasticity of Variance (CEV): $\sigma(t) = \eta p(t)^{\gamma}$
	- Soundly rejected empirically
- Allow $\sigma(t)$ to follow a separate stochastic process
	- But how?

• GARCH diffusion

$$
d\sigma^2(t) = (\alpha - \beta \sigma^2(t))dt + \eta \sigma^2(t) dB(t)
$$

• Heston model

$$
d\sigma^2(t) = (\alpha - \beta \sigma^2(t))dt + \eta \sigma(t) dB(t)
$$

• Log-volatility model

$$
d\log \sigma^2(t) = (\alpha - \beta \log \sigma^2(t))dt + \eta dB(t)
$$

• Multi-factor models

$$
\sigma^2(t) = \sigma_1^2(t) + \sigma_2^2(t)
$$

- Estimation and inference for SV models generally much harder than for ARCH/GARCH models
	- $\sigma^2(t)$ is latent
	- $f(r_{t+1} | \Omega_t)$ not available in closed form

Nelson (1990, *JoE*)

Heston (1993, *RFS*)

Realized Volatility

• Continuous-time stochastic volatility model

 $dp(t) = \mu dt + \sigma(t) dW(t)$

– What is the actual/true volatility from *t* to *t+1*?

• Integrated volatility/variation

$$
IV_{t+1} = \int\limits_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^2(\tau) d\tau
$$

– Variance of $r_{t+1} = p(t+1) - p(t)$ given

– Option pricing

Hull and White (1987, *JF*)

– But, how do you measure the integrated volatility in practice?

• Realized volatility from high (er) -frequency data

$$
RV_{t+1}(\Delta) = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} (p(t+j\Delta) - p(t+(j-1)\Delta))^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\Delta,\Delta}^2
$$

– Earlier precedent in finance

French, Schwert and Stanbaugh (1987, *JFE*)Hsieh (1998, *JF*), Schwert (1989, *JF*; 1990, *RFS*)

• Theory of quadratic variation

 $\lim_{\Delta \to 0} RV_{t+1}(\Delta) \to IV_{t+1}$

– High-frequency data crucial

Andersen and Bollerslev (1998, *IER*) Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2011, *JASA*)Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2001, *JRSS*)

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• S&P500 5-minute futures prices:

• Nice theory, but does it work in practice?

– Yes!

- By measuring the variation over non-trivial daily (and longer) time-intervals the realized volatility avoids
	- Intraday volatility patterns, or circadian rhythms

 Andersen and Bollerslev (1997, *JoEF*)Andersen and Bollerslev (1998, *JF*)

– Double asymptotic usually required for consistently estimating,or filtering $\sigma(t)$

> Merton (1980, *JFE*)Nelson (1992, *JoE*), Nelson and Foster (1994, *Ect.*)

• The realized volatility is completely model-free

Modeling and Forecasting Realized Volatility

- The theory of realized volatility (in theory) permits a direct look at the empirical distribution of (the true ex-post) volatility
- Remarkable similarities across different assets/asset classes Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2001, *JASA*) Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Ebens (2001, *J.Fin.Eco.*)
	- The unconditional distribution of realized volatility is approximatelylog-normal
	- The conditional dependencies in realized volatility are approximatelylong-memory
	- Standardized returns, $r_t / RV_t(\Delta)^{1/2}$, are approximately normal

• Reduced form time series models for $RV_{t+1}(\Delta)$ may be used in modeling and forecasting volatility

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2003, *Econometrica*) Andersen, Bollerslev and Diebold (2008, *Handbook Ch.*)Andersen, Bollerslev and Meddahi (2004, *IER*)

- Avoids the problems associated with estimation and inference in GARCHand latent stochastic volatility models
- Avoids having to directly model intraday returns, while incorporating(most of) the relevant longer-run information
- But does it work in practice?

– Yes!

– Reduced form AR-RV model

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2003, *Econometrica*)

 $A(L)(log(RV_t(\Delta)) - \mu) = \varepsilon_t$

– Mincer-Zarnowitz style ex-post forecast evaluation regression

$$
RV_{t+1}(\Delta) = b_0 + b_1 AR - RV_{t+1|t}(\Delta) + b_2 Other_{t+1|t} + \xi_{t+1}
$$

– Out-of-sample, DM/\$, one-day ahead

– RV-AR based forecasts

– GARCH based forecasts

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2003, *Econometrica*)

• Predictive/conditional return distribution

$$
f(r_{t+1} | \Omega_t) = f(r_{t+1} | RV_{t+1}(\Delta), \Omega_t) \cdot f(RV_{t+1}(\Delta) | \Omega_t)
$$

- The standardized returns, $r_{t+1}/RV_{t+1}(\Delta)^{1/2}$, are approximately normal
- The dynamic dependencies in $RV_{t+1}(\Delta)$ are well described by simple reduced form AR-RV models

– One-day-ahead predictive distributions (VaR)

TABLE 4One-Day Ahead Density Forecasts From Long-Memory Lognormal-Normal Mixture Model

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2003, *Econometrica*)

Current Themes and New Directions

- Market Microstructure "Noise"
- Jumps and Distributional Implications
- Multivariate Measures
- Option Implied Volatilities and Variance Risk Premia

Market Microstructure "Noise"

• Fundamental (latent) logarithmic price

 $dp^*(t) = \mu(t) dt + \sigma(t) dW(t)$

• Observed logarithmic price

$$
p(t) = p^*(t) + u(t)
$$

 $- u(t)$ market microstructure "noise"

$$
r_{t,\Delta}
$$
 = $p^*(t) + u(t) - p^*(t-\Delta) - u(t-\Delta) = r_{t,\Delta}^* + e_{t,\Delta}$

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$$
lim_{\Delta \to 0} E[(r_{t,\Delta}^*)^2] = 0
$$
, but $lim_{\Delta \to 0} E(e_{t,\Delta}^2) > 0$

- Noise term dominates for ∆6*0*
- *− RV*_t(Δ) is inconsistent for *IV*_t^{*} as Δ -0

• Choose Δ "large enough" so that

– Sample mean of $RV_t(\Delta)$, $t=1, 2, ..., T$, as a function of Δ

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (1999, *Risk*)

- Shape depends on properties of *u(t)* noise process
- *–* For *u*(*t*) *i.i.d.* $RV_t(\Delta) \rightarrow \infty$ for $\Delta \rightarrow 0$

• "Optimal" choice of ∆

Aït-Sahalia, Mykland and Zhang (2005, *Re. Fin. Stud.*)Bandi and Russell (2008, *ReStud.*)

$$
-\min_{\Delta} \text{MSE}(\text{RV}_{t}(\Delta)) \text{ conditional on } \{\sigma(s), t-1 < s \leq t\}
$$

$$
h_t^* \approx (IQ_t/(4V_u^2))^{-1/3}
$$
 $IQ_t \equiv \int_{t-1}^t \sigma^4(s) ds$

– Unconditionally

$$
h_1 = (E[IQ_t]/(4V_u^2))^{-1/3}
$$

Bandi and Russell (2006, *J.Fin.Econ.*)

$$
-\min_{\Delta} \text{Var}(\text{RV}_{t}(\Delta))
$$

$$
h_{2} = (E[IQ_{t}]/(2V_{u}^{2}K_{u}))^{-1/2}
$$

Andersen, Bollerslev and Meddahi (2007, *wp*)

– Estimation of V_u and

Bandi and Russell (2008, *ReStud.*) Oomen (2005, *J. Fin Ect.*)Hansen and Lunde (2006, *JBES*) • Serial correlation adjustments

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Ebens (2001, *JFE*) Zhou (1996, *JBES*)Zumbach, Corsi and Trapletti (2002, *wp*)

$$
RV_{t+1}^{Zhou}(\Delta) = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta}^2 + \sum_{j=2}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta} r_{t+(j-1)\cdot\Delta,\Delta} + \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta-1} r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta} r_{t+(j+1)\cdot\Delta,\Delta}
$$

- $-$ For $u(t)$ *i.i.d.* $e_{t,\Delta}$ (and $r_{t,\Delta}$) is MA(1)
- Unbiased, but inconsistent

• Kernel based methods

Barndorff-Nielsen, Hansen, Lunde and Shephard (2008, *Ecta.*)Hansen and Lunde (2006, *JBES*)

$$
RV_{t+1}^{Kernel}(\Delta) = \gamma_0 + \sum_{h=1}^{H} k(\frac{h-1}{H}) [\gamma_h + \gamma_{-h}]
$$

$$
\gamma_h = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j \cdot \Delta, \Delta} r_{t+(j-h) \cdot \Delta, \Delta}
$$

– Related to long-run variance and HAC type estimators

• Averaging, bias-correction, and sub-sampling

Zhang, AïtSahalia and Mykland (2005, *JASA*)

- Accuracy of $RV_t(\Delta_{sparse})$ for $\Delta_{sparse} > 0$ may be improved by averaging over different sub-grids
- For *u(t) i.i.d.* the bias in $RV_t(Δ)$ grows like $2Δ⁻¹V_u$ for $Δ→0$
- Combine realized volatility estimators based on all high-frequencydata and sparsely sampled data to knock out the bias
- Similar idea to Jackknife type estimators
- Two-scale estimator consistent for IV_t^* as $\Delta \rightarrow 0$
- Multi-scale estimators

Zhang (2006, *Bernoulli*)

• Pre-Averaging

Podolskij and Vetter (2007, *wp*)Jacod, Li, Mykland, Podolskij and Vetter (2008, *wp*)

• "Business-time" sampling

Large (2006, *wp*)Oomen (2006, *JBES*)

• Range-based estimators

Christensen and Podolskij (2007, *J.Ect.*) Christensen, Podolskij and Vetter (2008, *Fin.Stoc.*)Dobrev (2007, *wp*)Martens and van Dijk (2007, *J. Ect.*)

• Duration-based estimation

Andersen, Dobrev and Schaumburg (2008, *wp*)

• Markov Chain-based estimation

Hansen and Horel (2008, *wp*)

Diebold and Strasser (2008, *wp*) Engle and Sun (2007, *wp*)Robert and Rosenbaum (2008, *wp*)

• Market microstructure theory

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- Multivariate measures
	- Non-synchronous trading/quoting and the Epps-effect

Epps (1979, *JASA*)

– Alternative estimators

Bandi and Russell (2006, *wp*) Bannouh, van Dijk and Martens (2008, *wp*)Barndorff-Nielsen, Hansen, Lunde and Shephard (2008, *wp*) Bauer and Vorkink (2006, *wp*) Corsi and Audrino (2007, *wp*)Griffin and Oomen (2006, *wp*) Hayashi and Yoshida (2005, *Bernoulli*) Martens (2004, *wp*)Palandri (2007, *wp*) Sheppard (2007, *wp*) Voev and Lunde (2007, *J.Fin.Ect.*)Zhang (2006, *wp*)

- Other variation measures
	- Realized quarticity

$$
RQ_{t+1}(\Delta) \equiv \Delta^{-1} \mu_4^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\Delta,\Delta}^4 \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^4(s) ds
$$

– Realized bi-power variation

$$
BV_{t+1}(\Delta) = \mu_1^{-2} \sum_{j=2}^{1/\Delta} |r_{t+j\Delta,\Delta}| |r_{t+(j-1)\Delta,\Delta}| \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^2(s) ds
$$

– Realized tri-power quarticity

$$
TQ_{t+1}(\Delta) = \Delta^{-1} \mu_{4/3}^{-3} \sum_{j=3}^{1/\Delta} |r_{t+j\Delta,\Delta}|^{4/3} |r_{t+(j-1)\Delta,\Delta}|^{4/3} |r_{t+(j-2)\Delta,\Delta}|^{4/3} \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^4(s) ds
$$

Jumps

- Important to allow for dis-continuities, or jumps, in the price process
- Continuous-time jump diffusion

 $dp(t) = \mu(t)dt + \sigma(t)dW(t) + \kappa(t)dq(t)$

- – *q(t)* counting process (number of jumps up until time *t*)
- ^κ*(t)* jump size (if jump at time *t*)

Andersen, Benzoni and Lund (2002, *J. Fin.*)Bates (1996, *RFS*; 2003, *J. Ect.*) Chernov, Gallant, Ghysels and Tauchen (2002, *J. Ect.*) Eraker (2004, *J. Fin.*), Johannes (2004, *J.Fin*)Pan (2002, *J. Fin. Eco.*)

 \bullet More general Lévy processes

$$
p(t) = p(0) + \int_{0}^{t} \mu(s) ds + \int_{0}^{t} \sigma(s) dW(s) + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \kappa(x) q(ds, dx)
$$

Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2001, *JRSS B*; 2002, *JRSS B*) Brockwell (2001, *Ann. ISM*)Carr, Geman, Madan and Yor (2003, *Math. Fin.*)

Tauchen and Todorov (2006, *JBES*), Todorov (2008, *J.Ect.*)

• Continuous-time jump diffusion

 $dp(t) = \mu(t)dt + \sigma(t)dW(t) + \kappa(t)dq(t)$

– One period realized volatility/variation

$$
RV_{t+1}(\Delta) = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta}^2 \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^2(s) ds + \sum_{t \leq s \leq t+1} \kappa^2(s)
$$

– Is it possible to separate the two components?

• Realized bi-power variation

Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2004, *J. Fin. Etc.*)

$$
BV_{t+1}(\Delta) = \mu_1^{-2} \sum_{j=2}^{1/\Delta} |r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta}| |r_{t+(j-1)\cdot\Delta,\Delta}| \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^2(s) ds
$$

• Consistent (squared) jump measurements

$$
RV_{t+1}(\Delta) - BV_{t+1}(\Delta) \rightarrow \sum_{t \leq s \leq t+1} \kappa^2(s)
$$

• Statistically significant jumps

Barndorff-Nielsen and Shephard (2005, *J. Fin. Etc.*)Huang and Tauchen (2005, *J. Fin Ect.*)

$$
\Delta^{-1/2} \frac{RV_{t+1}(\Delta) - BV_{t+1}(\Delta)}{\left[\left(\mu_1^{-4} + 2 \mu_1^{-2} - 5 \right) \int_t^{\tau+1} \sigma^4(s) ds \right]^{1/2}} \rightarrow N(0, 1)
$$

– Feasible asymptotics based on realized quarticity

• Permits decomposition of realized volatility/variation into separate smooth/continuous and rough/jump components

 $RV_{t}(A) = C_{t,a}(A) + J_{t,a}(A)$

• Separate modeling, forecasting and pricing of jump and diffusive variation/risk

Andersen, Bollerslev and Huang (2009, *J.Ect.*)Andersen, Bollerslev and Diebold (2007, *Re.Stat.*)Bollerslev, Kretschner, Pigorsch and Tauchen (2008, *J.Ect.*) Tauchen and Zhou (2007, *wp*), Wright and Zhou (2007, *wp*)Todorov (2008, *J.Ect.*)

– Little/no predictability coming from jumps

- What causes "significant" jumps?
	- Price discovery and market efficiency
	- Macroeconomic announcements

Andersen and Bollerslev (1998, *J. Fin.*) Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Vega (2003, *AER*)Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Vega (2007, *JIE*)Fair (2002, *J. Buss.*), Das (2002, *J.Etc.*) Fleming and Remolona (1999, *J. Fin.*), Huang (2007, *wp*)Johannes (2004, *J.Fin*), Rangel (2006, *wp*)

$Z_t(\Delta) = 7.659$

FED raised short term rate by ¼ percent at 13:15 CST (14:15 EST), but indicated that it "might not raise rates again in thenear term due to conflicting forces in the economy."

Andersen, Bollerslev and Diebold (2007, *ReStat*)

$Z_t(\Delta) = 6.877$

 National Association of Purchasing Managers (NAPM) indexreleased at 9:00 CST (10:00 EST)

- Not all (significant) jumps map as "nicely" into readily identifiable macro news
	- What causes other jumps?
- Jumps in individual equities
	- Firm specific news
	- Apparent dis-connect with aggregate market
	- Test for non-diversifiable co-jumps

Bollerslev, Law and Tauchen (2008, *J.Ect.*)

- Alternative non-parametric jump detection schemes
	- Threshold type tests

Mancini (2003, 2006, *wp*)Gobbi and Mancini (2007, *wp*) Lee and Mykland (2007, *RFS*)Corsi. Prino and Reno (2008, *wp*)

– Arithmetic versus geometric returns (variance swap rate)

Jiang and Oomen (2008, *J.Ect.*)

– Wavelet based procedures

Fan and Wang (2006, *JASA*)

– Power variation

AïtSahalia and Jacod (2008, *Annals Stat.*) Bollerslev and Todorov (2008, *wp*)Jacod and Todorov (2008, *Annals Stat.*)

Multivariate Measures

- Many/most issues in finance depend on covariance risk
	- ARCH/GARCH/SV modeling in high dimensions is challenging
	- Realized volatility concept extends directly to a multivariate setting
- Multivariate diffusion

$$
dp(t) = \mu(t) dt + \Sigma(t)^{1/2} dW(t)
$$

– Realized volatility/covariation

$$
RCov_{t+1}(\Delta) = \sum_{j=1}^{1/\Delta} r_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta} r'_{t+j\cdot\Delta,\Delta} \rightarrow \int_{t}^{t+1} \Sigma(s) ds
$$

• Realized correlations

$$
RCorr_{i,j,t} = \frac{\{RCov_t(\Delta)\}_{i,j}}{\{RCov_t(\Delta)\}_{i,i}^{1/2} \cdot \{RCov_t(\Delta)\}_{j,j}^{1/2}}
$$

– DM/\$ - ¥/\$ daily correlations, 1986-1996

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2001, *JASA*)

- Strong dynamic dependencies in correlations
- Volatility in correlation effect

• Standardized return distributions

 $r_t \cdot RCov_t(\Delta)^{-1/2}$

– DM/\$ and ¥/\$ daily returns, 1986-1996

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2001, *Mult.Fin.J.*)

- Marginal standardized returns approximately Gaussian, but correlated
- Multivariate standardized (by Cholesky decomposition) returnsapproximately *N(0,I)*

• Realized CAPM β 's and factor loadings

- Static CAPM
\n
$$
E(r_{i,t}) = r_{f,t} + \beta_i \lambda
$$
\n
$$
\beta_i = \frac{Cov(r_{i,t}, r_{m,t})}{Var(r_{m,t})}
$$

– Conditional CAPM and time-varying β's

Ang and Chen (2006, *J.Emp.Fin.*) Bollerslev, Engle and Wooldrige (1988, *JPE*)Foster and Nelson (1996, *Ecta.*)

$$
E_{t-1}(r_{i,t}) = r_{f,t} + \beta_{i,t} \lambda_t
$$

$$
\beta_{i,t} = \frac{Cov_{t-1}(r_{i,t}, r_{m,t})}{Var_{t-1}(r_{m,t})}
$$

– Realized β's

$$
R\beta_{i,t} = \frac{\{RCov_t(\Delta)\}_{i,m}}{\{RCov_t(\Delta)\}_{m,m}}
$$

• Ninety-five percent confidence intervals for quarterly realized β 's based on daily returns for 25 DJ stocks, 1993 Q2 - 1999 Q3

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Wu (2006, *Book Ch.*)

• Ninety-five percent confidence intervals for quarterly realized β 's based on fifteen-minute returns for 25 DJ stocks, 1993 Q2 - 1999 Q3

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Wu (2006, *Book Ch.*)

– High-frequency data allows for much improved β measurements

- The returns on many financial assets are counter cyclical
	- Risk and/or risk aversion?
	- Monthly realized β's for Fama-French portfolios 1993.1 2003.5

Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Wu (2005, *American Economic Review*)

– Realized β 's tend to increase in bad times, especially for value (high book-to-market) portfolios

• Stronger comovements in "extreme" markets

 Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2001, *JFE*) Ang and Chen (2002, *JFE*)Poon, Rockinger and Tawn (2004, *RFS*)

– One-factor (market) model too simplistic

• Realized continuous and jump β 's

Todorov and Bollerslev (2008, *wp*)

$$
r_{i,t} = \alpha_i + \beta_i^c r_{m,t}^c + \beta_i^d r_{m,t}^d + \varepsilon_{i,t}
$$

- Different β_i^c and β_i^d important for hedging
- Risk premia may differ

– Ninety-five percent confidence intervals for β_i^c and β_i^u for Genentech

Todorov and Bollerslev (2008, *wp*)

- Multivariate issues
	- Non-linear (fractional) cointegration and β's Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Wu (2006, *Book Ch.*)
		- Multi-factor models and realized factor loadings

Bollerslev and Zhang (2003, *J.Emp.Fin.*)

– Modeling and forecasting realized covariation

 Andersen, Bollerslev, Diebold and Labys (2003, *Ecta.*)Bauer and Vorkink (2007, *wp*), Bonate, Caporin and Ranaldo (2008, *wp*)Chiriac and Voev (2007, *wp*), Corsi and Audrino (2007, *wp*)Engle, Shephard and Sheppard (2008, *wp*), Palandri (2007, *wp*)

– Realized covariation and dynamic portfolio choice

 Bandi, Russell and Zhou (2008, *Ect.Rev.*) De Pooter, Martens and van Dijk (2008, *Ect.Rev.*)Fleming, Kirby and Ostdiek (2003, *JFE*)

– Multivariate measures and market microstructure "noise"

 Bandi and Russell (2007, *wp*)Barndorff-Nielsen, Hansen, Lunde and Shephard (2008, *wp*)Voev and Lunde (2007, *J.Fin.Ect.*), Zhang (2006, *wp*)

– Co-jumps

Bollerslev, Law and Tauchen (2008, *J.Ect.*) Bollerslev and Todorov (2008, *wp*)Jacod and Todorov (2008, *Annals Stat.*)

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Option Implied Volatilities

- Options trading is essentially equivalent to trading volatility
- Black-Scholes-Merton pricing formula

 $dp(t) = \mu + \sigma dW(t)$

– Implied volatility

$$
C_t^{BS}(p(t), K_i, T_i, r, \sigma) = C_t^{Market}(p(t), K_i, T_i, r)
$$

- Market-based forecast of (average) volatility over the life of the option
- Implied volatilities varies across strikes, K_i , and maturities, T_i

• Extensive literature devoted to reconciling smiles/smirks and term structure in BS implied volatilities by allowing for stochastic volatility and/or jumps

– Continuous-time jump-diffusions

 $dp(t) = \mu(t)dt + \sigma(t)dW(t) + \kappa(t)dq(t)$ Andersen, Benzoni and Lund (2002, *JF*) Bakshi, Cao and Chen (1997, JF), Bates (1996, *RFS*; 2003, *JoE*)Chernov, Gallant, Ghysels and Tauchen (2002, *JoE*) Duffie, Pan and Singleton (2000, *Ect*)Eraker (2004, *JF*), Eraker, Johannes and Polson (2003, *JF*)

Pan (2002, *JFE*)

– More general Lévy processes

$$
p(t) = p(0) + \int_{0}^{t} \mu(s) ds + \int_{0}^{t} \sigma(s) dW(s) + \int_{0}^{t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \kappa(x) q(ds, dx)
$$

Carr and Wu (2004, *JFE*) Cont and Tankov (2004, *Book*)Carr, Geman, Madan and Yor (2003, *Math. Fin.*)Todorov (2008, *J.Ect.*)

• Extensive literature devoted to testing whether option implied volatilities are unbiased forecasts of future (realized) volatilities

> Canina and Figlewski (1993, *RFS*) Day and Lewis (1998, *JFE*)Lamoureux and Lastrapes (1993, *RFS*)

$$
RV_{t+1}(\Delta) = b_0 + b_1 ImpV_t + \varepsilon_{t+1}
$$

– Typically $b_0 > 0$ and $b_1 < 1$

Bollerslev and Zhou (2006, *J.Ect.*)

– Regression plagued by errors-in-variables, strong persistence,overlapping date, ...

> Andersen, Frederiksen and Staal (2007, *wp*)Bandi and Perron (2006, *J.Fin.Ect.*) Chernov (2007, *JBES*)Christensen and Prabhala (1998, *JFE*)

– But what to expect in population?

• One-factor affine SV model

$$
dp(t) = \mu(t) dt + \sigma(t) dB(t)
$$

$$
d\sigma^{2}(t) = \kappa(\theta - \sigma^{2}(t)) dt + \sigma \sigma(t) dW(t)
$$

– Corresponding risk-neutral dynamics

 $dp(t) = r^{*}(t)dt + \sigma(t) dB^{*}(t)$ $d\sigma^2(t) = \kappa^*(\theta^* - \sigma^2(t))dt + \sigma \sigma(t) dW^*(t)$ $\kappa^* = \kappa + \lambda$ $\theta^* = \kappa \theta/(\kappa + \lambda)$

– Volatility risk premium λ (<0)

– Corresponding integrated-implied volatility regression

Bollerslev and Zhou (2006, *J.Ect.*)

$$
\int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^{2}(s) ds = b_{0} + b_{1} \cdot E_{t}^{*} \left(\int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^{2}(s) ds \right) + u_{t+1}
$$

$$
b_{1} = \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa}}{1 - e^{-\kappa^{*}}} \cdot \frac{\kappa^{*}}{\kappa} < 1
$$

– Integrated-implied volatility relationship

$$
\int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^{2}(s) ds = b_{0} + b_{1} \cdot E_{t}^{*} \left(\int_{t}^{t+1} \sigma^{2}(s) ds \right) + u_{t+1}
$$
\n
$$
b_{1} = \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa}}{1 - e^{-\kappa^{*}}} \cdot \frac{\kappa^{*}}{\kappa} < 1 \qquad \kappa^{*} = \kappa + \lambda
$$

allows for the estimation of the volatility risk premium λ (and other model necessarily) model parameters)

> Bollerslev and Zhou (2006, *J.Ect.*) Bollerslev, Gibson and Zhou (2006, *wp*) Carr and Wu (2008, *RFS*)Todorov(2007, *wp*)

- *IV*_{t+1} may be accurately measured by $RV_{t+1}(\Delta)$ for $\Delta \rightarrow \infty$
- But, how do you actually measure $E_t^*(IV_{t+1})$ without a model?

• "New" model-free implied volatility

Carr and Madan (1998, *Book Ch.*) Demeterfi, Derman, Kamal and Zou (1999, *J.Deriv.*)Britten-Jones and Neuberger (2000, *JF*)

$$
E_t^*(IV_{t+1}) = \int\limits_0^\infty \frac{C_t(t+1, K) - \max\{P(t) - K, 0\}}{K^2} dK
$$

- Risk-neutral density
$$
\partial^2 C_t(t+1, K)/\partial K^2
$$

Breeden and Litzenberger (1978, *J.Buss.*)

– Also works with jumps

Carr and Wu (2008, *RFS*)Jiang and Tian (2005, *RFS*)

– VIX and many other (now actively traded) indexes are based on this idea Andersen and Bondarenko (2007, *wp*)Jiang and Tian (2007, *J.Deriv.*) • Monthly S&P500 VIX and realized volatility 1990.1 - 2004.5

Bollerslev, Gibson and Zhou (2006, *wp*)

Estimated volatility risk premium $-\lambda_t$ based on macro/finance explanatory variables and one-factor affine SV model

Bollerslev, Gibson and Zhou (2006, *wp*)

- Higher premium associated with financial market "crises" or "bad" times
- Generally associated with higher volatility-of-volatility
- Premium may also be linked to notions of aggregate risk aversion

 Bakshi and Kapadia (2003, *RFS*)Gordon and St-Amour (2004, *JBES*)Rosenberg and Engle (2002, *JFE*)

– What about return predictability?

• Simple variance difference

 $E_t^*(IV_{t+1}) - IV_t \approx VIX_t - RV_t(\Delta)$

– Striking coherence with (quarterly) returns

Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

– Variance difference marginally significant, but low R^{2} 's

• S&P500 (overlapping) quarterly return regressions 1990.Q1 - 2007.Q4

Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

– Striking R^2 's

– Variance difference dominates other traditional predictor variables

	Simple									Multiple				
$Constant$	4.62	7.62	9.49	78.47	79.83	15.59	5.37	7.29	5.42	81.00	1.91	52.85	55.11	74.04
	(1.50)	(2.44)	(3.20)	(2.05)	(2.17)	(1.13)	(0.90)	(2.33)	(1.47)	(2.15)	(0.53)	(1.03)	(1.08)	(1.88)
$IV_t - RV_t$	0.12									0.19	0.18		0.20	0.33
	(1.00)									(1.68)	(1.51)		(1.74)	(2.96)
IV_t		-0.02												
		(-0.21)												
RV_t			-0.17											
			(-1.20)											
$\log(P_t/E_t)$				-1.90						-2.06		-1.24	-1.40	-2.14
				(-1.80)						(-2.00)		(-0.91)	(-1.03)	(-1.92)
$\log(P_t/D_t)$					-1.55									
					(.1.92)									
$DFSP_t$						-0.87								
						(-0.64)								
$TMSP_t$							0.88							4.53
							(0.35)							(1.69)
$RREL_t$								4.09						6.29
								(1.11)						(1.75)
CAY_t									3.48		3.62	2.13	2.12	
									(1.99)		(2.12)	(0.99)	(0.99)	
Adj. R^2 (%)	$1.23\,$	-0.37	2.89	16.34	19.53	1.79	$0.01\,$	4.54	$18.15\,$	20.12	21.18	21.46	25.52	32.58

Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

- Variance difference dominated by P/E, P/D, and CAY
- Predictability maximized at quarterly horizon

• Traditional risk-return tradeoff

– RV and VIX both insignificant when included in isolation

• Use of "new" model-free realized and implied volatility measures crucial

- Why does it work so well?
- Stochastic volatility in general equilibrium

Bollerslev, Sizova and Tauchen (2008, *wp*)Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

– Endowment economy with Epstein-Zin-Weil recursive preferences

Bansal and Yaron (2004, *JF*)

- Richer volatility dynamics
- The variance risk premium, or variance difference

 $E_t^*(IV_{t+1}) - IV_t \approx VIX_t - RV_t(\Delta)$

 effectively isolates a systematic risk factor associated with time-varyingeconomic uncertainty, or volatility-of-volatility in consumption growth

– Calibrated GE model slope coefficients and \mathbb{R}^2 's

Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

– Estimated slope coefficients and R^{2} 's

Bollerslev, Tauchen and Zhou (2009, *RFS*)

• Current themes

- Dependent "noise" structures and improved variation measures
- Jumps, co-jumps and price discovery
- Distributional implications
- Realized covariation and multivariate volatility models
- Realized betas and factor loadings
- Model-free options implied volatilities and variance risk premia
- Pricing of volatility risk
- Much exciting work ahead ...