Extension to ARCH & GARCH model (Updated Spring 2021)

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### Integreted GARCH (IGARCH) (Nelson 1990)

• Recall the Random Walk (RW) model

$$y_t = y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t,$$
  

$$E_{t-1}(\varepsilon_t) = 0,$$
  

$$y_0 = 0.$$

• Two properties it has are:

 $E_t(y_{t-1}) = y_t$  (Today's value is the best forecast of tomorrow's value),  $y_t = \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + ... + \varepsilon_t$  (shocks have a permanent impact).

 A random walk is somtines referred to as ab integrated or I(1) process because we add (integrate) the ε<sub>t</sub>'s to get y<sub>t</sub>.

#### Integreted GARCH (IGARCH) (Nelson 1990) Cont.

• Next consider a GARCH(1,1) with a restriction that  $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 = 1$ :

$$\begin{split} \varepsilon_t &= v_t \sqrt{h_{t|t-1}} \\ E_{t-1}(v_t^2) &= 1, \ E_{t-1}(V_t) = 0 \\ h_{t|t-1} &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 h_{t-1} \\ &\Longrightarrow E_{t-1}(h_{t+1|t}) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 E_{t-1}(\varepsilon_t^2) + \beta_1 h_{t|t-1} \\ &= \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) h_{t|t-1}. \end{split}$$

Hence,  $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 = 1$  implies  $E_{t-1}(h_{t+1|t}) = \alpha_0 + h_{t|t-1}$ .

- So, apart from α<sub>0</sub>, the best forecast of next periods conditional variance (h<sub>t+1|t</sub>) is last period's conditional variance (h<sub>t|t-1</sub>).
- So, in this way the GARCH(1,1) with α<sub>1</sub> + β<sub>1</sub> = 1 resembles the RW or I(1) model.

## Integreted GARCH (IGARCH) (Nelson 1990) Cont.

- Therefore, Nelson (1990) refers to this as Integrated-GARCH (IGARCH) model.
- On the other hand IGRACH differs from the RW model in that shocks to the conditional variance are <u>not</u> permanent.
- To see this, express GARCH(1,1) as an  $ARCH(\infty)$ :

$$\begin{split} h_{t|t-1} &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 h_{t-1|t-2} = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L \varepsilon_t^2 + \beta_1 L h_{t|t-1} \\ &\Longrightarrow (1 - \beta_1 L) h_{t|t-1} = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L \varepsilon_t^2 \\ &\Longrightarrow h_{t|t-1} = \frac{1}{(1 - \beta_1 L)} \alpha_0 + \frac{1}{(1 - \beta_1 L)} \alpha_1 L \varepsilon_t^2 \\ &= \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \beta_1} + \alpha_1 \sum_{j=0^{\infty}} \beta_1^j L^{j+1} \varepsilon_t^2 = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \beta_1} + \alpha_1 \sum_{j=0^{\infty}} \beta_1^j \varepsilon_{t-j-1}^2. \end{split}$$

- The shocks are only permanent if β<sub>1</sub> = 1, α<sub>1</sub> + β<sub>1</sub> = 1 does not imply permanent shocks.
- Empirical appeal of IGARCH
  - GARCH(1,1) often fits financial data (e.g. stock returns) quite well.
  - Often  $\hat{\alpha}_1 + \hat{\beta}_1 \approx 1$ .

## ARCH-M model (Engle, Lilien, and Robins, 1987)

- ARCH in mean (ARCH-M) Model
- Intuition:
  - During periods of high volatility, stocks carry greater risk.
  - In order for investors to continue holding stocks during these volatile periods, this risk must be compensated by higher expected returns.
  - Put, another way, the risk premium on the stock (e.g. additional expected return to compensate the risk of holding the stock) should increase during votile periods.
  - By this logic, if our ARCH model predicts a high volatility, it should also predict a higher risk premium & therefore a higher expected return.
  - The ARCH-M models this effect by introducing the conditional variance  $(h_{t|t-1})$  from the ARCH model into the model for the mean return  $(y_t)$ :

$$\begin{array}{l} y_t = \beta + \delta h_{t|t-1} + \varepsilon, \\ \varepsilon = \mathsf{v}_t \sqrt{h_{t|t-1}}, \ E_{t-1}(\mathsf{v}_t) = \mathsf{0}, \ \& \ E_{t-1}(\mathsf{v}_t^2) = \mathsf{1}, \\ \\ h_{t|t-1} = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \varepsilon_{t-i}^2, \end{array} \right\} \text{Standard ARCH model}$$

where  $\delta h_{t|t-1}$  measures the conditional variance impacts  $y_t$  directly,

• Notice that the expected return in this model is given by

$$E_t(y_{t+1}) = \beta + \delta h_{t+1|t}.$$

- If markets are efficient, then  $E_t(y_{t+1}) = \beta + \delta h_{t+1|t}$  can be interpreted as a risk premium.
- For  $\delta > 0$ , the risk premium increases with the predicted future volatility  $(h_{t+1|t})$  in accordance with financial theory.
- Notice that, unlike the other GARCH models, we've discussed so far, the GARCH-M model changes your forecast for the mean return & not just for the squared returns:

$$\widehat{y}_{t+1|t} = \widehat{\beta} + \widehat{\delta}\widehat{h}_{t+1|t}.$$

# Threshold GARCH (TARCH)

- Stylized empirical facts: Bad news increases market volatility more than good news.
- Of course, bad news usually associated with negative returns.
- Implications: large negative returns (bad news) increase future volatility more than large positive returns (good news).
- This introduces an <u>asymmetry</u> into the GARCH process, whereby the past squared returns have a different impact depending on whether they represent good/bad news.
- Threshold GARCH (TGARCH) captures this by introducing a dummy variable to capture bad news (bad news dummy)

$$d_t = \begin{cases} 1, \ \varepsilon_t < 0 & (\text{bad news}) \\ 0, \ \varepsilon_t \geq 0 & (\text{good news or no news}) \end{cases}$$

• Then they interact the bad news dummy with the past squared returns together

$$h_{t|t-1} = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \lambda_1 d_{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 h_{t-1|t-2} = 0$$

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# Threshold GARCH (TARCH) Cont.

- If the news at t − 1 is good (ε<sup>2</sup><sub>t-1</sub> ≥ 0), then
  d<sub>t-1</sub> = 0
  h<sub>t|t-1</sub> = α<sub>0</sub> + α<sub>1</sub>ε<sup>2</sup><sub>t-1</sub> + β<sub>1</sub>h<sub>t-1|t-2</sub>
  The coefficient on ε<sup>2</sup><sub>t-1</sub> is α<sub>1</sub>.
  If the news at t − 1 is bad then
  d<sub>t-1</sub> = 1
  h<sub>t|t-1</sub> = α<sub>0</sub> + (α<sub>1</sub> + λ<sub>1</sub>ε<sup>2</sup><sub>t-1</sub> + β<sub>1</sub>h<sub>t-1|t-2</sub>)
  The coefficient on ε<sup>2</sup><sub>t-1</sub> is α<sub>1</sub> + λ<sub>1</sub>
- Note that if  $\lambda > 0$  then
  - Solution Good news coefficient =  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_1 + \lambda_1 = bad$  news coefficient on  $\varepsilon_{t-1}^2$ .
  - So the shock (ε<sub>t-1</sub>) of equal magnitude increase expected future volatility more if it is a bad news shock than if it is a good news shock.
- This canbe interpreted as a threshold model, in which the coefficients change as a certain threshold is passed: Here  $\varepsilon_{t-1} = 0$  is the threshold.
- The asymmetric effect captured for this model is often referred to as the "leverage effect".

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- Leverage refers to the extent to which debt financing is used relative to the equity financing.
- A firm with higher <u>leverage</u> is one with a higher proportion of debt financing.
- Two pieces to the argument for why debt financing (or leverage) can give rise to the type of asymmetric effects captured by TARCH:
  - Leverage makes the stock price more vulnerable: Why? Leverage casues the shoreholder to take a large position in the underlying assets of the firm. Thus if magnifies any change in the value of these assets.
  - A fall in stock price (bad news) increases leverage thereby increasing future volatility.

Why? When the stocks fall, the firms out-standing debt remains unchange but its equity level aotomatically falls with the price of the stock.

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#### Leverage effect example: Home mortgage

- You buy a \$100 thousand dollar house using a 20% (\$ 20k) down payment and an 80% (\$ 80K) mortgage .
- To illustrate leverage effects, suppose there is a 10% decline in the value of the house in of the two subsequent years. Suppose that no principle is paid by the mortgage

· · · ·	Home	%Δ	Debt	Equity	Return (% $\Delta$ )
Year	Price	Price	Level	in house	in equity
1 (purchase)	100	N/A	80	20	N/A
2	90	-10%	80	10	$100\%(\frac{10-20}{20}) = -50\%$
3	81	-10%	80	1	$100\%(\frac{1-10}{10}) = -90\%$

- Note how this illustrates the two pieces of the leverage argument discussed above:
  - Leverage magnifies the volatility of the return: The value of the house changed by onlty 10%. The value of equity in the house changed by 50 or 90%.
  - A negative return increases leverage & volatility. After the first house price drop debt financing increased from 80/100 × 100% = 80% to 80/90 × 100%. Consequently, the same 10% drop in price led to a 90% drop in equity instead of the previous 50% drop.

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### Exponential GARCH (EGARCH) (Nelson, 1991)

• Instead of modeling  $h_{t|t-1}$  directly, the EGARCH model is linear model for  $ln(h_{t|t-1})$ :

$$\ln(h_{t|t-1}) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1(\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}}) + \lambda_1 |\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}}| + \beta_1 \ln(h_{t-1|t-2}).$$

• Note that because  $x = e^{ln(x)}$ , this implies an exponential model for  $h_{t|t-1}$ :

$$h_{t|t-1} = e^{\ln(h_{t|t-1})} = \exp(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}}) + \lambda_1|\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}}| + \beta_1 \ln(h_{t-1|t-2})).$$

Recall that e<sup>x</sup> = exp(x) > 0 even for x < 0, in which case e<sup>x</sup> is small, but still positive.

### Exponential GARCH (EGARCH) (Nelson, 1991) Cont.

- One advantage of the EGARCH is that it gaurantees h<sub>t|t-1</sub> > 0 without requiring coefficient restrictions:
  - For example, we do not require  $\alpha_0 > 0$  or  $\alpha_1 > 0$  or  $\lambda_1 > 0$ , etc, in an EGARCH model.
- Similarly, it is no longer necessary to have the past  $\varepsilon'_t s$  enter as squared values.
- For example the term  $\alpha_1(\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}})$  can be either positive or negative depending on the sign of the  $\varepsilon_2$ . Yet either way,  $h_{t|t-1}$  will be positive.
- This same term  $\alpha_1(\frac{\epsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}})$  is included to capture leverage effects similar to those addressed by the TARCH model.
- For example if  $\alpha_1 < 0$  then bad news ( $\varepsilon_{t-1} < 0$ ) will increase  $h_{t|t-1}$  through this term.

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- The magnitude of the news also matters:
  - It is capttured by  $\lambda_1 | \frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}} |$ .
  - For λ<sub>1</sub> > 0, larger values of ε<sub>t-1</sub> (scaled by √h<sub>t-1|t-2</sub>) will increase volatility more than smaller values, regardless of whether the news is good or bad.
  - This is somewhat analogous to the term  $\varepsilon_{t-1}^2$  in the standard GARCH model.
  - However, now the "size" of the shock is measured relative to current volatility  $(\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}})$ .

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$$\frac{\varepsilon_t}{\sqrt{h_{t-1|t-2}}} = \frac{|\varepsilon_t|}{\text{standard diviation}n_{t-1}(\varepsilon_t)}$$
 is unit free.