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## **Abstract**

The objective of this dissertation is to model the volatility of financial time series data using ARCH, GARCH and stochastic volatility models. It is found that the ARCH and GARCH models are easy to fit compared to the stochastic volatility models which present problems with respect to the distributional assumptions that need to be made. For this reason the ARCH and GARCH models remain more widely used than the stochastic volatility models. The ARCH, GARCH and stochastic volatility models are fitted to four data sets consisting of daily closing prices of gold mining companies listed on the Johannesburg stock exchange. The companies are Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd, DRD Gold Ltd, Gold Fields Ltd and Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd. The best fitting ARCH and GARCH models are identified along with the best error distribution and then diagnostics are performed to ensure adequacy of the models. It was found throughout that the student-t distribution was the best error distribution to use for each data set. The results from the stochastic volatility models were in agreement with those obtained from the ARCH and GARCH models. The stochastic volatility models are, however, restricted to the form of an AR(1) process due to the complexities involved in fitting higher order models.

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## Chapter One

### 1 Introduction

Modeling financial time series focuses on the valuation of an asset over time. This is often a complex and difficult problem due to the number of different series available, including stock prices, exchange rate data, and interest rates, just to name a few. A further complication is that the series can often be viewed using different frequencies of observation; this may be every second, every minute, every hour, every day and so on (Francq & Zakoian, 2010, p. 7). One of the distinguishing features of financial time series is that they bring about an element of risk or uncertainty (Tsay, 2005, p. 1). This risk or uncertainty can be crudely measured by the volatility of an asset. A major problem that is often encountered when modeling financial time series is the concept of nonstationarity. Nonstationarity occurs when the underlying rules that generate the time series change on occasion, often without any prior indication that a change is about to happen. This complicates the modeling process as the traditional autoregressive moving average (ARMA) models are based on the assumption of stationarity and, therefore, may be unreliable. Reliable and complementary models are the Autoregressive Conditional Heteroscedastic (ARCH), Generalized Autoregressive Conditional Heteroscedastic (GARCH) and Stochastic Volatility models. When dealing with a nonstationary financial time series you are essentially dealing with a high level of uncertainty and, therefore, maximum risk to your investment (Sherry & Sherry, 2000, p. 6).

The purpose of this study will be the modeling of the volatility of an asset over time. This will be done using stock price time series data with a daily observation frequency. If we use a model that depends on constant variance when the series is in actual fact non-constant, then one of the possible implications would be that our standard error estimates could be incorrect (Brooks, 2008, p. 386). Therefore, we require models that involve conditional heteroscedasticity. Heteroscedasticity refers to non-constant variance. The models that involve conditional heteroscedasticity, that will be used for this study, are the Autoregressive Conditional Heteroscedastic (ARCH) models which were first introduced by Engle (1982); the Generalized Autoregressive Conditional Heteroscedastic (GARCH) models, which generalize the ARCH models of Engle (1982), and were first introduced by Bollerslev (1986); and Stochastic Volatility models

(Kim, Shephard, & Chib, 1998). The ARCH family of models are observation driven models, whereas the Stochastic Volatility models are parameter driven models. Some of the motivations, apart from the presence of heteroscedasticity, for the use of the ARCH family of models is that time series of financial asset returns often exhibit volatility clustering and fat tails or leptokurtosis. Volatility clustering occurs when large changes in an asset's price are typically followed by more large changes of either sign (positive or negative) and small changes in the price are typically followed by more small changes again of either sign (positive or negative). This implies that the current volatility is strongly related to the volatility present in the immediate past (Brooks, 2008, pp. 386-387; Francq & Zakoian, 2010, p. 9). Leptokurtosis occurs when the distribution of the return of an asset exhibits fatter tails and is more peaked at zero than that of a standard Gaussian distribution. Another reason for the use of the ARCH family of models is that financial time series often exhibit a leverage effect, which is an asymmetry of the impact that the past positive and negative values have on the current volatility. It is often seen that negative returns (a price decrease) tend to increase the volatility by a larger amount than a positive return (price increase) of the same amount (Francq & Zakoian, 2010, pp. 9-10). The ARCH family of models have proved useful in accounting for the heteroscedasticity, volatility clustering, and leptokurtosis which are often present in financial time series.

As already stated the alternative to the ARCH family of models, which are observation driven models, are the parameter driven models where the variance is modeled as an unobserved component that follows some underlying latent stochastic process. These models are referred to as Stochastic Volatility (SV) models. It should be noted that it is not the case that the GARCH family of models are a type of Stochastic Volatility model. They differ in that the GARCH models are completely deterministic and use all the information that is available up to that of the previous period. This means that there is no error term in the variance equation of the GARCH model, the error term appears only in the mean equation. The Stochastic Volatility model includes a second error term, this error term enters into the conditional variance equation (Brooks, 2008, p. 427). The Stochastic Volatility models have not been as widely used as the ARCH family of models. One of the reasons for this is that the likelihood for the Stochastic Volatility models is not easy to evaluate, which is not the case with the ARCH models (Shimada & Tsukuda, 2005, p. 3). There are two reasons for the difficulty in estimating the likelihood for Stochastic Volatility models. Firstly,

because the variance is modeled as an unobserved component and, secondly the model is non-Gaussian. This results in the likelihood being complicated and difficult to work with. Another disadvantage of using Stochastic volatility models is that the estimation process consists of two stages: parameter estimation and estimation of the latent volatility. Methods that work well for the parameter estimation may perform poorly when estimating the latent volatility (Mahieu & Schotman, 1998, pp. 333-334).

The study of volatility has applications in many areas of finance: it plays an important role in managing risk and aids in the implementation of economic policy by government and private institutions. Proper risk management and a well implemented economic policy allow for the maximization of profits for both financial institutions and the individual investor. This leads to a strengthened economy that can play a significant role in global markets.

## Chapter Two

### 2 Data Description and Exploration

#### 2.1 Data Description

Four data sets will be used to investigate the use of ARCH, GARCH and Stochastic Volatility models. The data sets that have been selected for use are for gold mining companies listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange. The companies selected are Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd, DRD Gold Ltd, Gold Fields Ltd and Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd. The data sets consist of the daily closing price for each company.

Many financial studies model the return instead of the price, as the return series is often easier to handle than the original price series and the return also provides a summary that is free of scale (Tsay, 2005, p. 2). The daily closing price is used to calculate the daily return which is given by

$$r'_t = \frac{y_t - y_{t-1}}{y_{t-1}}, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $y_t$  and  $y_{t-1}$  are the closing prices at times  $t$  and  $t - 1$ , respectively. This is known as the simple return (Tsay, 2005, p. 3). It is also common to use log returns for analysis. The log return is given by

$$r_t = \ln\left(\frac{y_t}{y_{t-1}}\right) \quad (2.2)$$

(Ruppert, 2004, p. 76). While performing the exploratory analysis for the four data sets, it was found that the log return had a distribution that was closer to normality than the distribution for the simple return. For this reason, the log return will be used for the data analysis; the log return will simply be referred to as the return.

#### 2.2 Data Exploration

##### 2.2.1 Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd

The data available for AngloGold Ashanti consists of a time series of daily closing prices with 4188 observations from 3 January 1994 to 22 January 2010. A plot of the closing price is presented in

Figure 1, where it can be seen that the closing price series shows periods of large price movements and periods of small price movements. This would suggest that there is some volatility clustering in the series. The return series consists of 4187 observations because one observation is lost when calculating the return. Figure 3 shows the plot of daily returns for the series and Figure 4 shows a plot of the squared returns. From the plots of the returns and squared returns, evidence of volatility clustering can be seen. Some preliminary results for the return series are given in Table 1. The results show that the return series has a high kurtosis which suggests that the series is not normally distributed. This is confirmed by the tests for normality which are given in Table 2 and from a visual inspection of the histogram of the return shown in Figure 2.

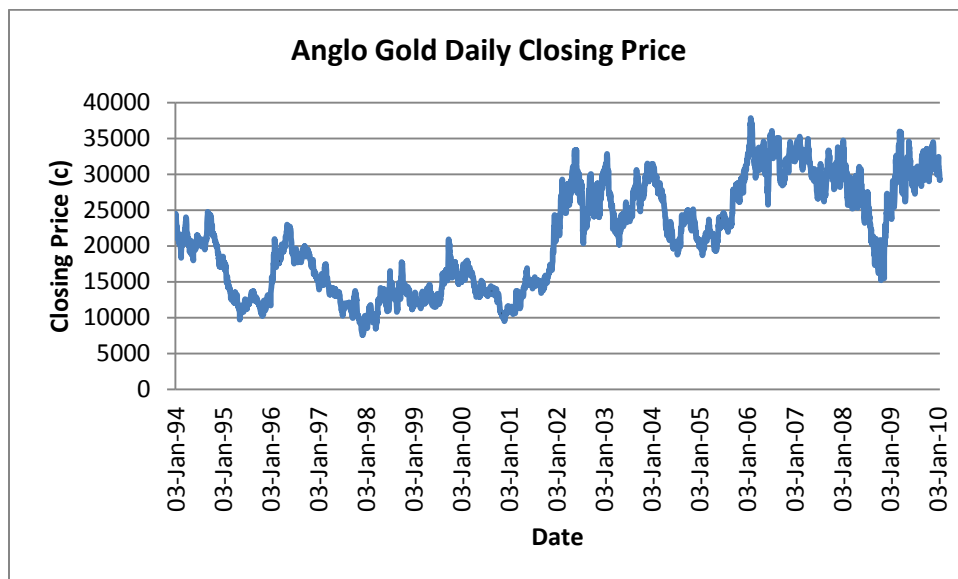
**Table 1: Anglo Gold Ashanti Preliminary Results**

<b>Anglo Gold Ashanti Preliminary Results</b>		
	<b>Log Return</b>	<b>Squared Log Return</b>
<b>Mean</b>	0.00007	0.0007
<b>Median</b>	0.0000	0.0002
<b>Maximum</b>	0.1756	0.0309
<b>Minimum</b>	-0.1233	0.0000
<b>Standard Deviation</b>	0.0260	0.0015
<b>Skewness</b>	0.3977	6.6147
<b>Kurtosis</b>	2.8577	74.7490

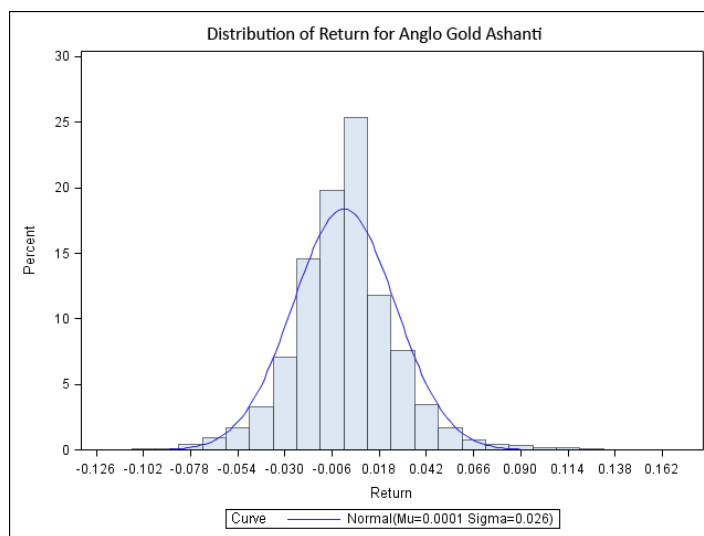
**Table 2: Anglo Gold Ashanti Tests for Normality**

<b>Anglo Gold Ashanti Tests for Normality</b>				
<b>Test</b>	<b>Log Return</b>		<b>Squared Log Return</b>	
	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>
<b>Kolmogorov-Smirnov</b>	0.0602	<0.010	0.3250	<0.010
<b>Cramer-von Mises</b>	5.9008	<0.005	129.7418	<0.005
<b>Anderson-Darling</b>	32.4484	<0.005	656.0393	<0.005





**Figure 1: Anglo Gold Ashanti Daily Closing Price**



**Figure 2: Histogram of the Daily Return for Anglo Gold Ashanti**

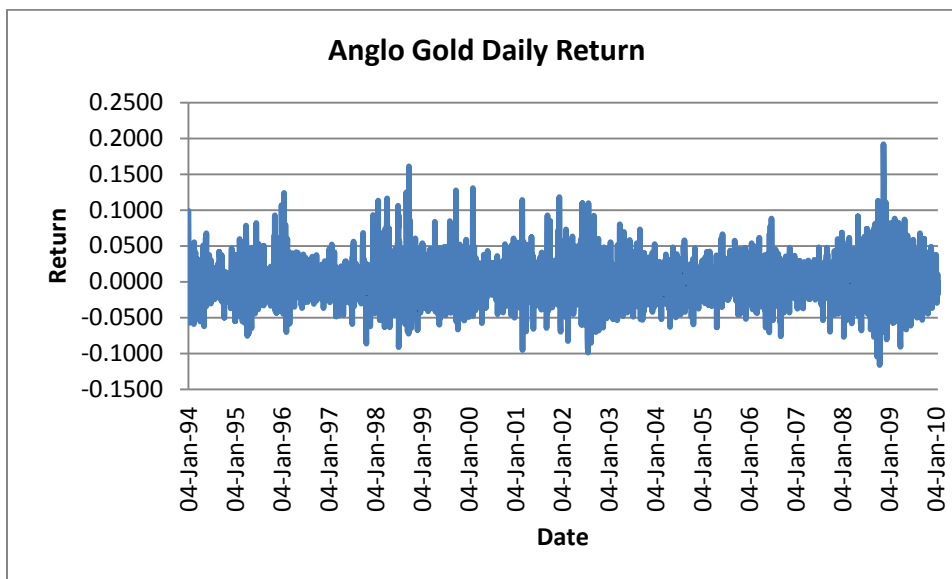


Figure 3: Anglo Gold Ashanti Daily Return

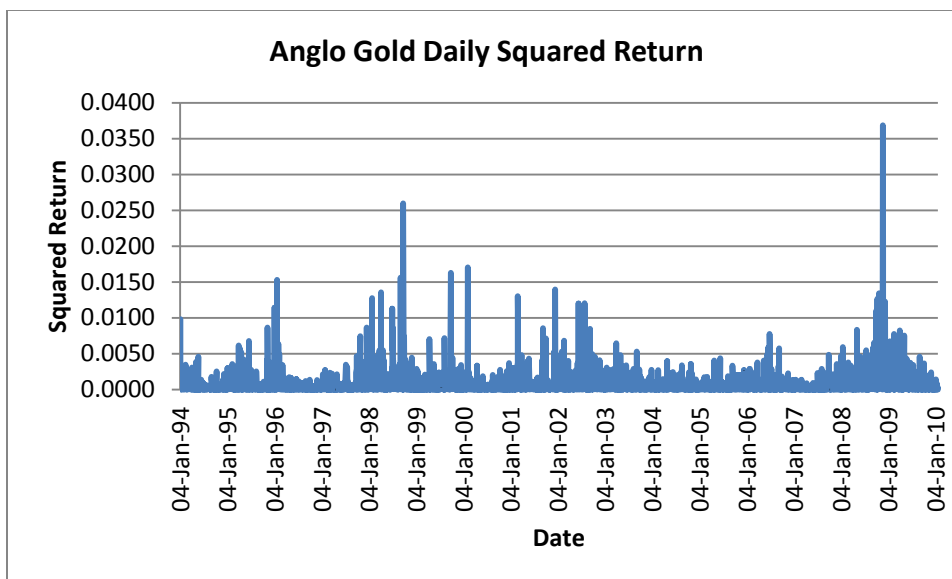


Figure 4: Anglo Gold Ashanti Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily return are given in Figure 5. The ACF shows that there is some minor serial correlation at lags 1 and 8 while the PACF has significant spikes at lags 1 and 8.

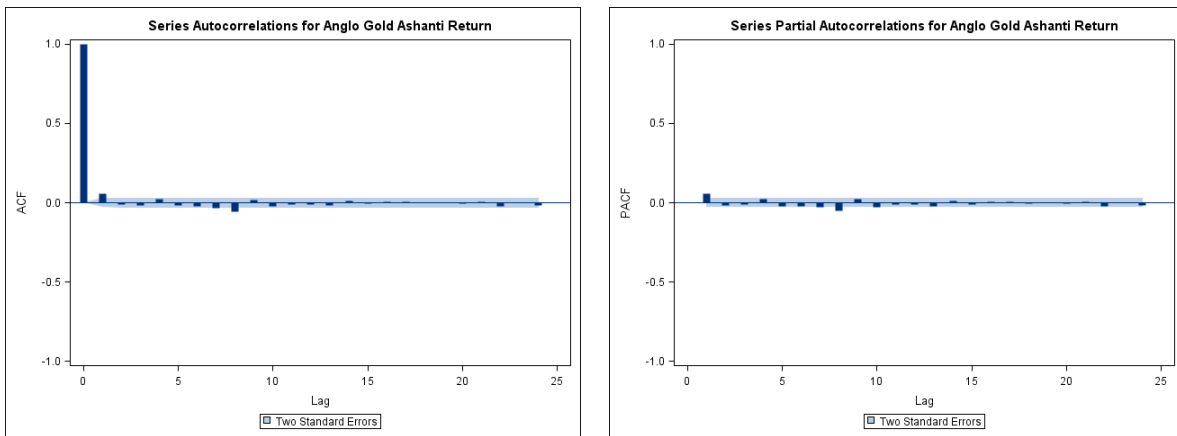


Figure 5: ACF and PACF for Anglo Gold Ashanti Daily Return

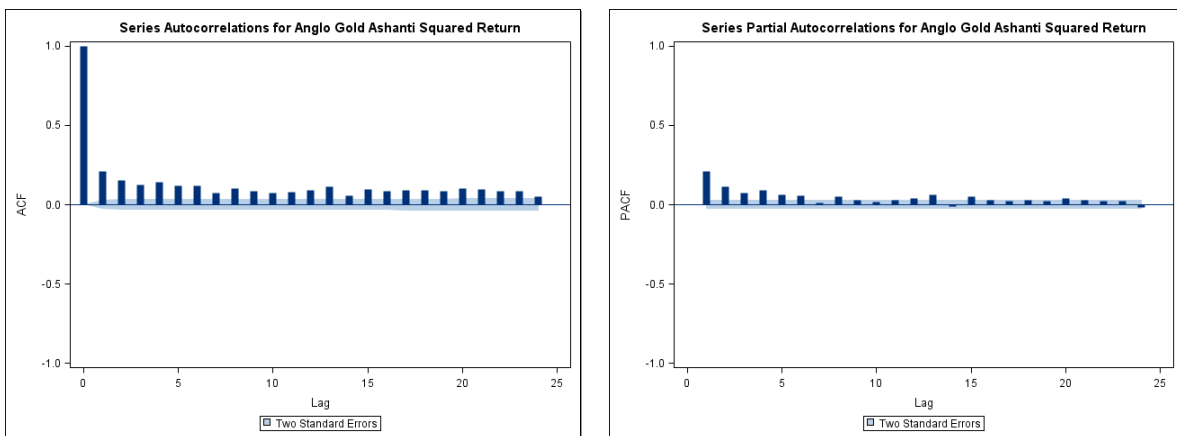


Figure 6: ACF and PACF for Anglo Gold Ashanti Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily squared return are given in Figure 6. The ACF and PACF both show significant spikes which indicates the presence of an ARCH effect.

### 2.2.2 DRD Gold Ltd

The data available for DRD Gold consists of a time series of daily closing prices with 4186 observations from 3 January 1994 to 22 January 2010. A plot of the daily closing price is presented in Figure 7. The plot reveals periods of large price movements, as well as periods of small price movements. This indicates that there may be some volatility clustering in the series. The return series consists of 4185 observations because one observation is lost when calculating the return. Figure 9 shows a plot of daily returns and Figure 10 shows a plot of the squared daily returns. The plots of returns and squared returns show evidence of volatility clustering. Preliminary results for the return can be found in Table 3 where it is seen that the return has a high kurtosis, along with

some negative skewness, which suggests that the return series is not normally distributed. This is confirmed by the test for normality, as shown in Table 4, and from a visual inspection of the histogram of the return, shown in Figure 8.

**Table 3: DRD Gold Preliminary Results**

<b>DRD Gold Preliminary Results</b>		
	<b>Log Return</b>	<b>Squared Log Return</b>
<b>Mean</b>	-0.0006	0.0017
<b>Median</b>	0.0000	0.0003
<b>Maximum</b>	0.3316	0.2508
<b>Minimim</b>	-0.5008	0.0000
<b>Standard Deviation</b>	0.0414	0.0062
<b>Skewness</b>	-0.1823	20.5158
<b>Kurtosis</b>	10.9998	686.7178

**Table 4: DRD Gold Tests for Normality**

<b>DRD Gold Tests for Normality</b>				
<b>Test</b>	<b>Log Return</b>		<b>Squared Log Return</b>	
	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>
<b>Kolmogorov-Smirnov</b>	0.1207	<0.010	0.3907	<0.010
<b>Cramer-von Mises</b>	18.5252	<0.005	184.6000	<0.005
<b>Anderson-Darling</b>	94.0927	<0.005	901.8188	<0.005

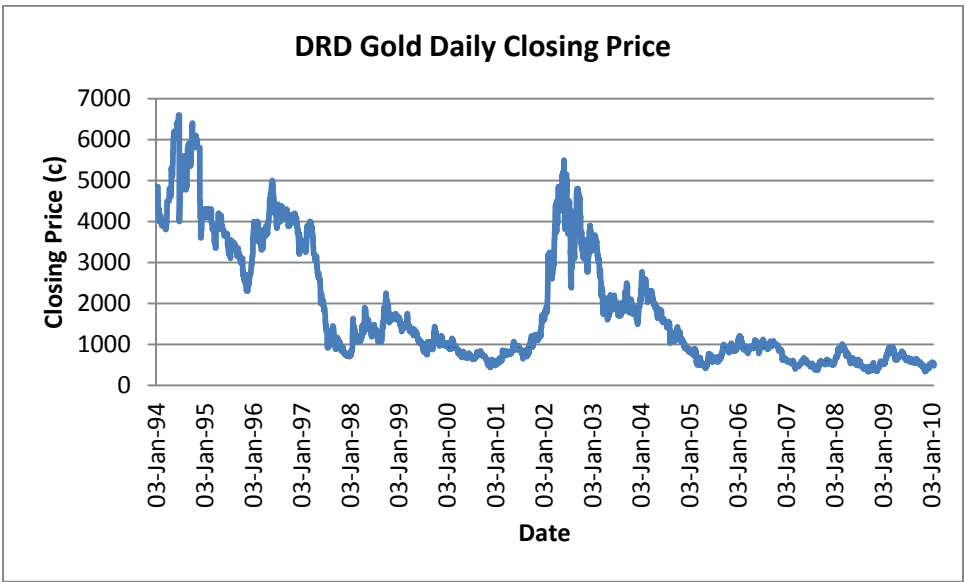


Figure 7: DRD Gold Daily Closing Price

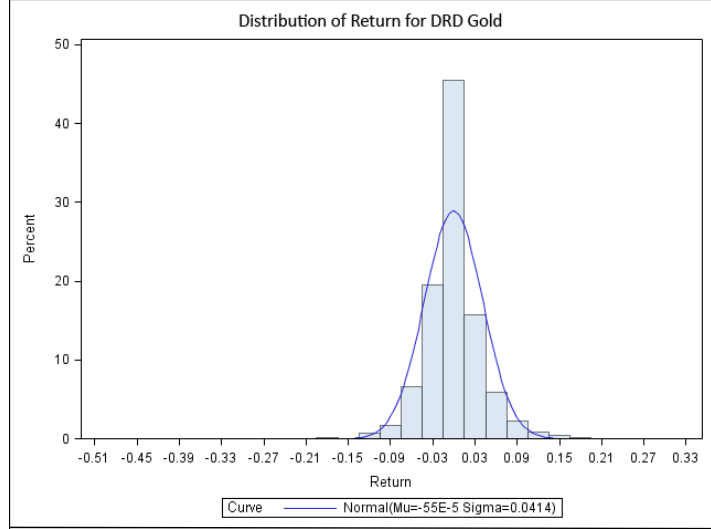


Figure 8: Histogram of the Daily Return for DRD Gold

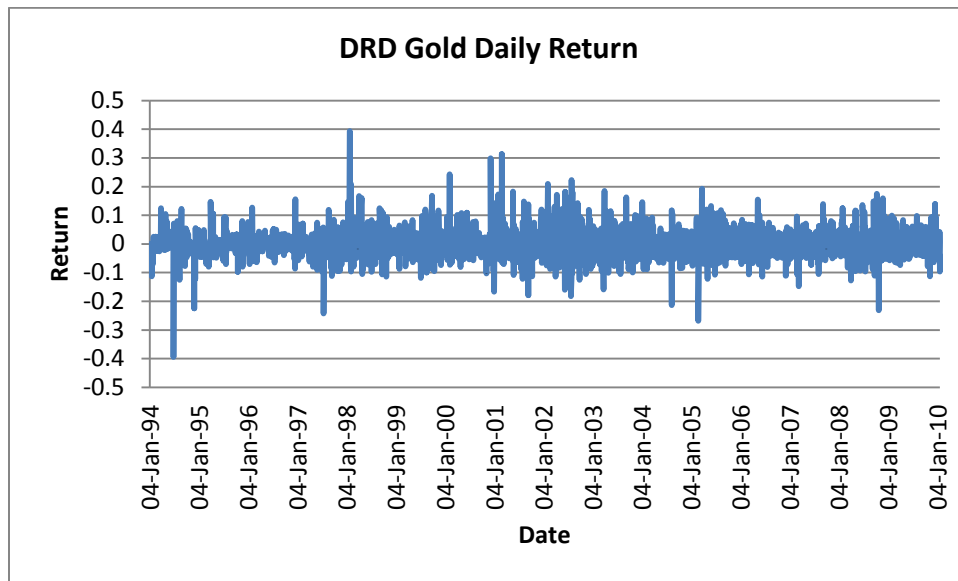


Figure 9: DRD Gold Daily Return

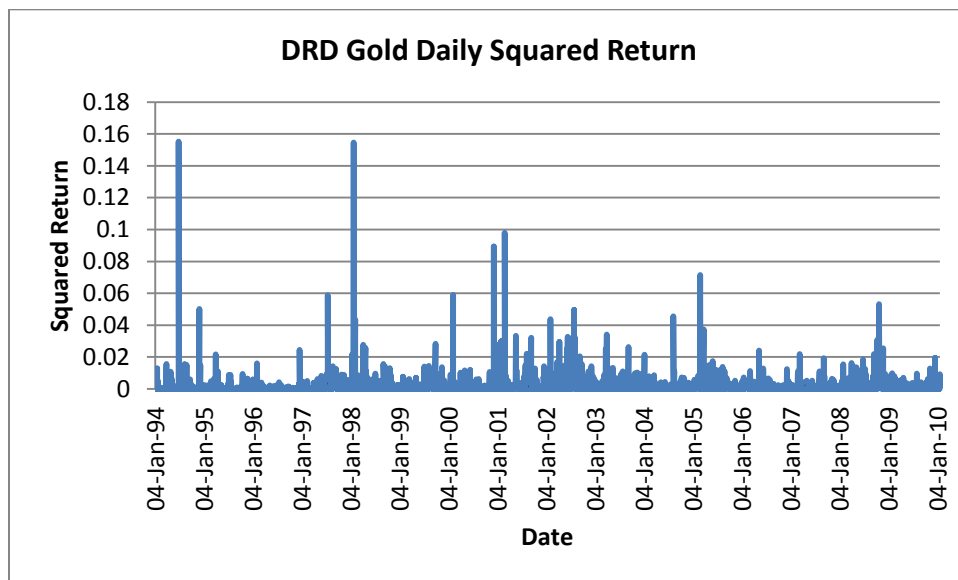


Figure 10: DRD Gold Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily return can be seen in Figure 11. The ACF shows some minor serial correlation at lags 1 and 17, with the PACF showing significant spikes at the same lags.

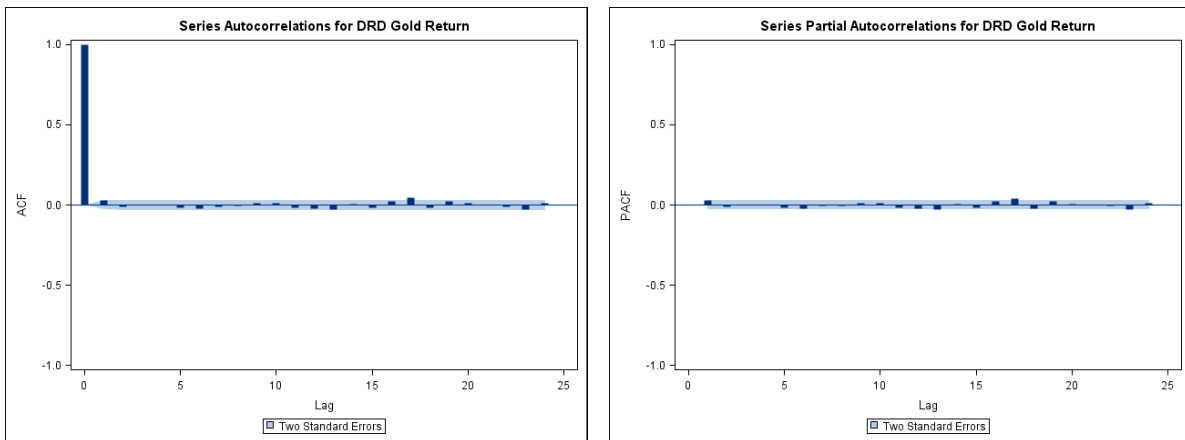


Figure 11: ACF and PACF for DRD Gold Daily Return

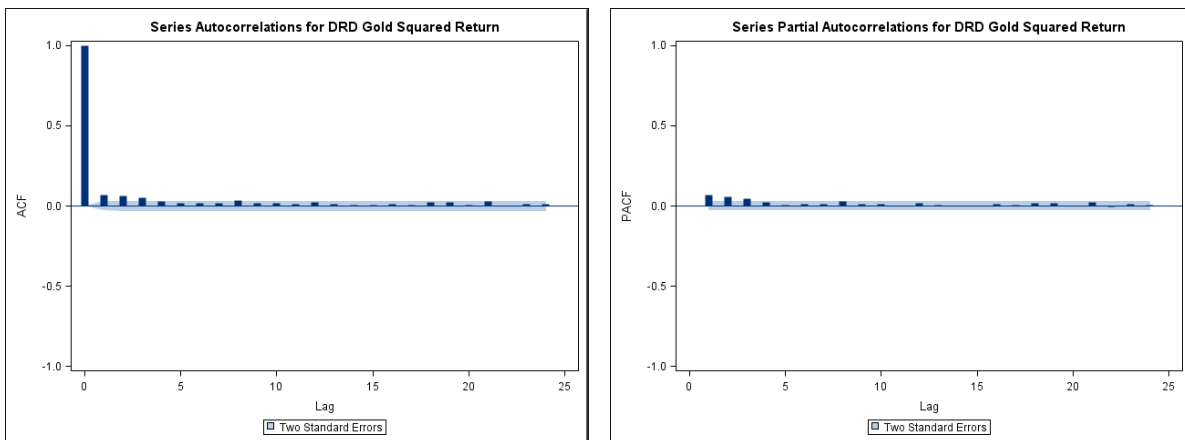


Figure 12: ACF and PACF for DRD Gold Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily squared return are given Figure 12. The ACF shows some minor serial correlation at lags 2, 3, and 4 with the PACF showing some minor serial correlation at lags 1, 2, and 3. This indicates the presence of an ARCH effect.

### 2.2.3 Gold Fields Ltd

The data available for Gold Fields Ltd consists of a time series of daily closing prices with 3123 observations from 2 February 1998 to 22 January 2010. A plot of the closing prices is presented in Figure 13. The plot shows some periods of low volatility and other periods of high volatility. The return series consists of 3122 observations because one observation is lost when calculating the return. Figure 15 shows a plot of the daily return series and Figure 16 shows a plot of the squared return series. The plots of the return series and the squared return series show some evidence of volatility clustering. Preliminary results for the return and squared return series can be found in

Table 5 where it is seen that the return series has a high kurtosis and some negative skewness suggesting that the series is not normally distributed. This is confirmed by the tests for normality which can be seen in Table 6 and from a visual inspection of the histograms of the return shown in Figure 14.

**Table 5: Gold Fields Preliminary Results**

<b>Gold Fields Preliminary Results</b>		
	<b>Log Return</b>	<b>Squared Log Return</b>
<b>Mean</b>	0.0003	0.0012
<b>Median</b>	0.0000	0.0003
<b>Maximum</b>	0.2490	0.1885
<b>Minimum</b>	-0.4342	0.0000
<b>Standard Deviation</b>	0.0343	0.0043
<b>Skewness</b>	-0.1446	28.1367
<b>Kurtosis</b>	11.6058	1141.722

**Table 6: Gold Fields Tests for Normality**

<b>Gold Fields Tests for Normality</b>				
<b>Test</b>	<b>Log Return</b>		<b>Squared Log Return</b>	
	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>	<b>Statistics</b>	<b>p-value</b>
<b>Kolmogorov-Smirnov</b>	0.0678	<0.010	0.3931	<0.010
<b>Cramer-von Mises</b>	6.0041	<0.005	135.204	<0.005
<b>Anderson-Darling</b>	33.3045	<0.005	664.415	<0.005



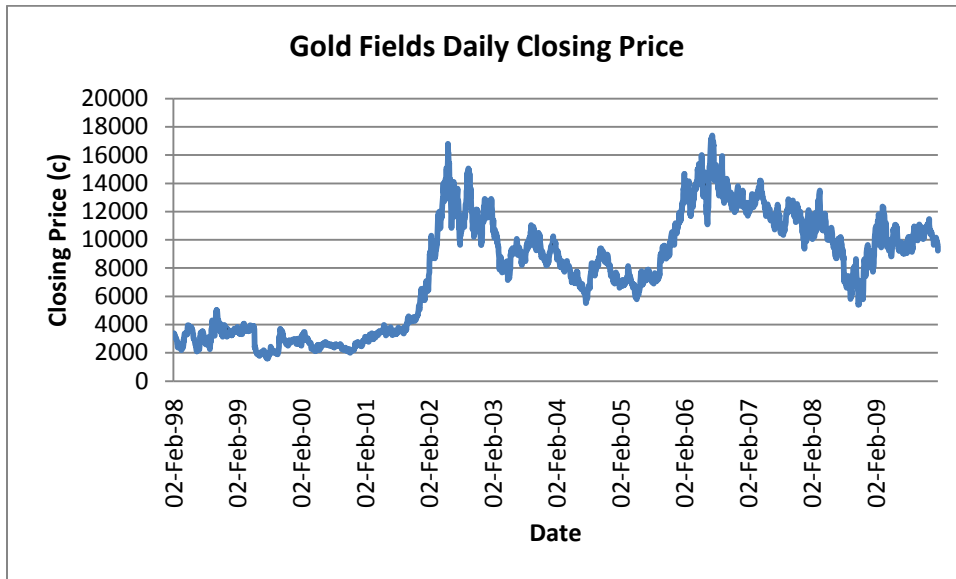


Figure 13: Gold Fields Daily Closing Price

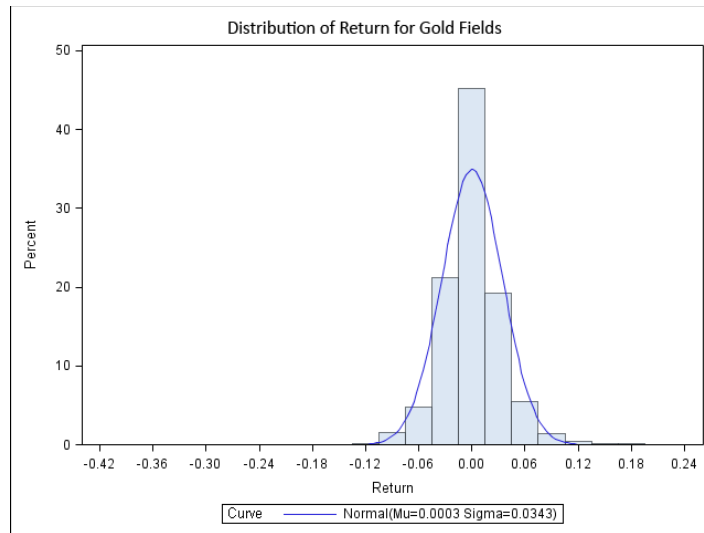


Figure 14: Histogram of Daily Return for Gold Fields

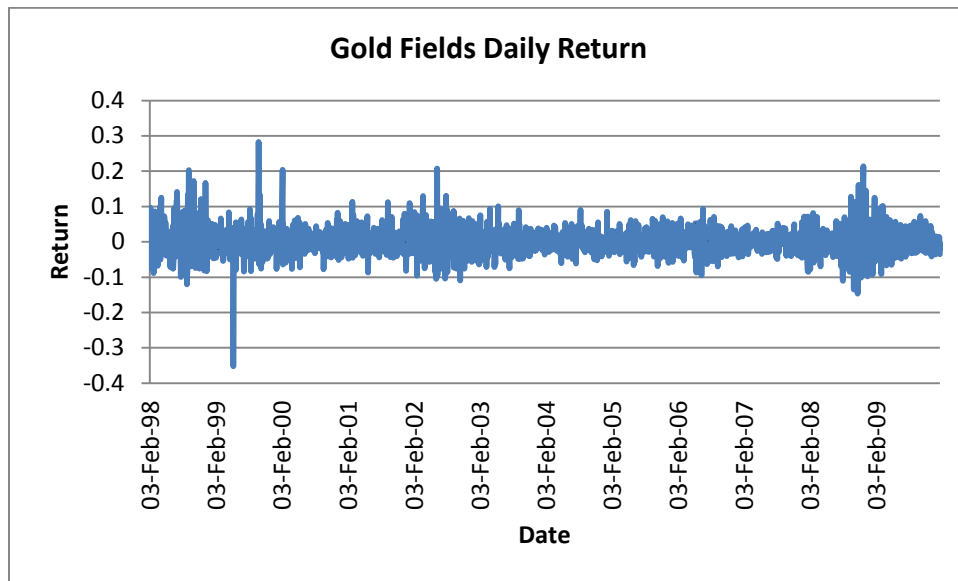


Figure 15: Gold Fields Daily Return

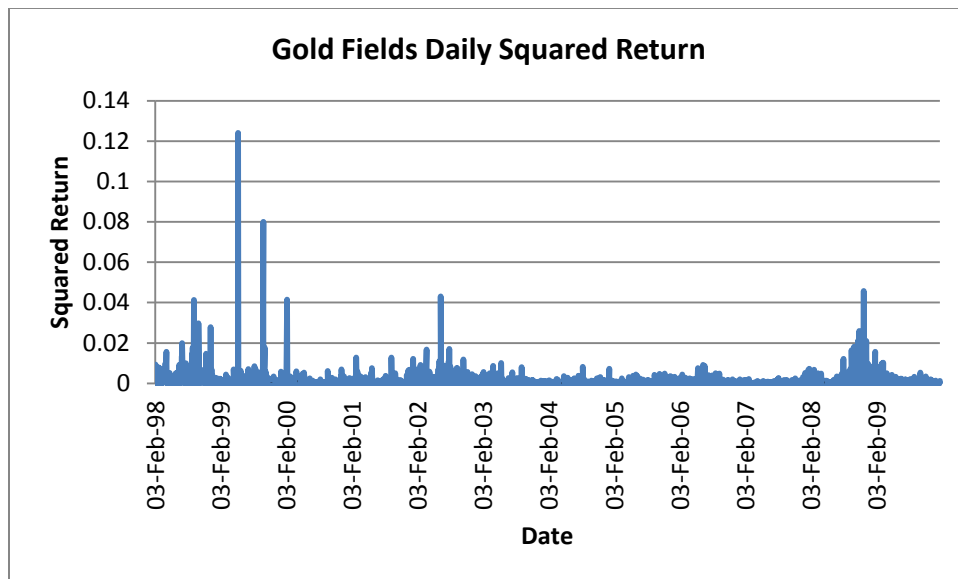


Figure 16: Gold Fields Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily return can be seen in Figure 17. The ACF shows some minor serial correlations at lags 1, 4, 7, and 23, while the PACF has significant spikes at the same lags.

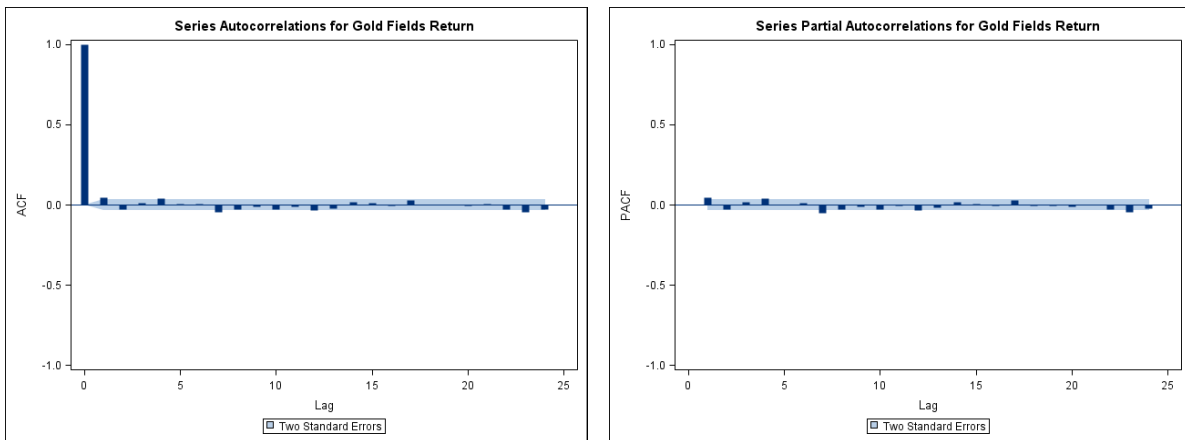


Figure 17: ACF and PACF for Gold Fields Daily Return

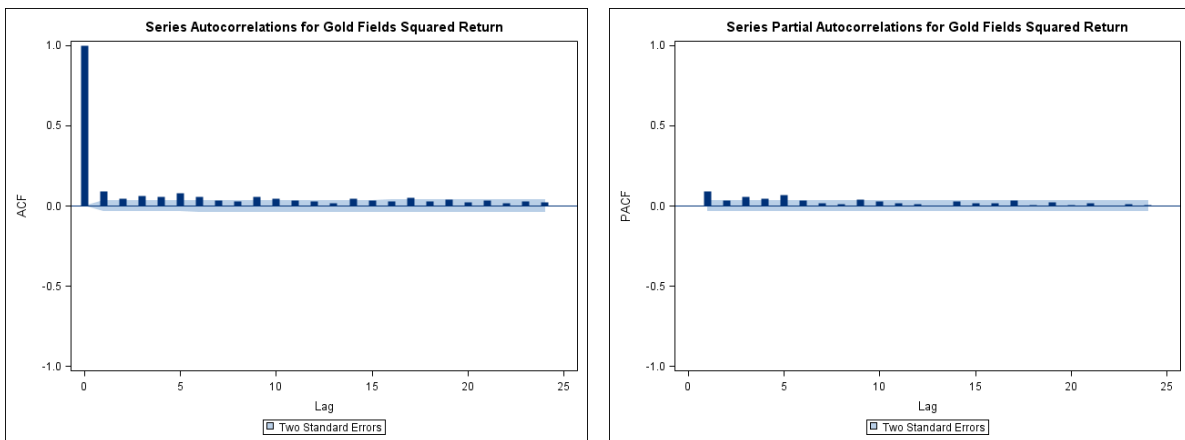


Figure 18: ACF and PACF for Gold Fields Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily squared return are given Figure 18. The ACF shows some minor serial correlation at lags 2, 4, and 5 with the PACF showing some minor serial correlation at lags 1, 3, and 5. This indicates the presence of an ARCH effect.

#### 2.2.4 Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd

The data available for Harmony Gold Mining Company consists of a time series of closing prices with 4188 observations from 3 January 1994 to 22 January 2010. A plot of the closing price is presented in Figure 19. The first half of the series exhibits relatively low volatility whilst the second half of the series shows an increase in the volatility. The return series consists of 4187 observations because one observation is lost when calculating the return. Figure 21 shows the plot of daily returns for the series and Figure 22 shows a plot of squared returns. The plot of returns and squared returns shows some evidence of volatility clustering in the series. Preliminary results

for the return and squared return series are given in Table 7, where it can be seen that there is a high kurtosis and some positive skewness for the return series, which suggests that the series is not normally distributed. This is confirmed by the tests for normality, where p-values are found to be less than 0.05, which can be found in Table 8 and from a visual inspection of the histogram of the return series shown in Figure 20.

**Table 7: Harmony Gold Mining Company Preliminary Results**

<b>Harmony Gold Mining Company Preliminary Results</b>		
	<b>Log Return</b>	<b>Squared Log Return</b>
<b>Mean</b>	0.00028	0.0010
<b>Median</b>	0.0000	0.0002
<b>Maximum</b>	0.2287	5.2296
<b>Minimum</b>	-0.1728	0.0000
<b>Standard Deviation</b>	0.0321	0.0025
<b>Skewness</b>	0.2912	7.5668
<b>Kurtosis</b>	3.9907	90.9873

**Table 8: Harmony Gold Mining Company Tests for Normality**

<b>Harmony Gold Mining Company Tests for Normality</b>				
<b>Test</b>	<b>Log Return</b>		<b>Squared Log Return</b>	
	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>	<b>Statistic</b>	<b>p-value</b>
<b>Kolmogorov-Smirnov</b>	0.0903	<0.010	0.3415	<0.010
<b>Cramer-von Mises</b>	11.1683	<0.005	142.4249	<0.005
<b>Anderson-Darling</b>	56.6560	<0.005	712.7145	<0.005

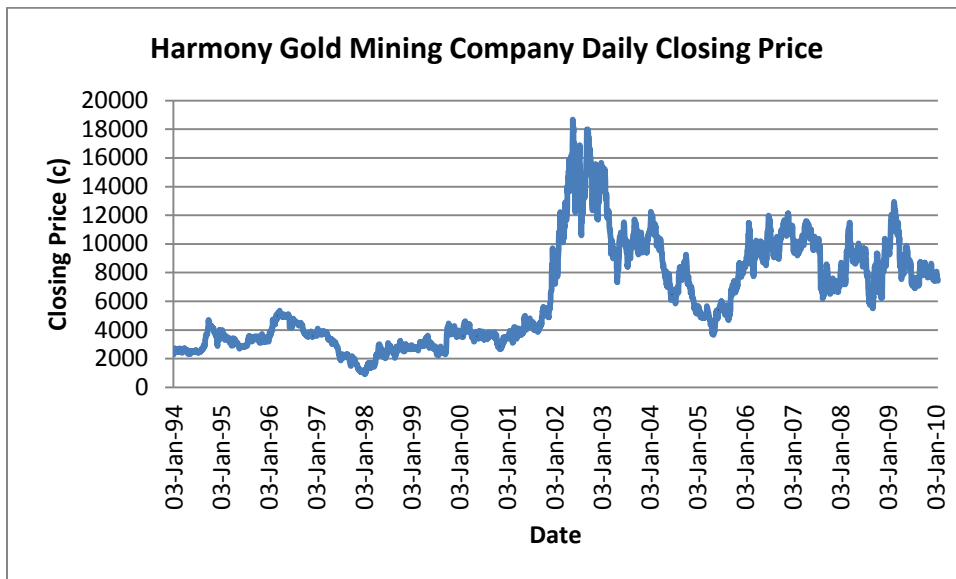


Figure 19: Harmony Gold Mining Company Daily Closing Price

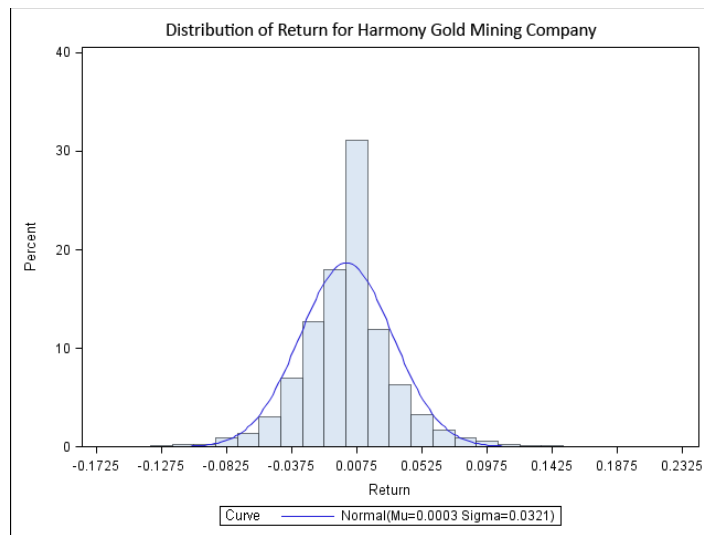


Figure 20: Histogram of Daily Return for Harmony Gold Mining Company

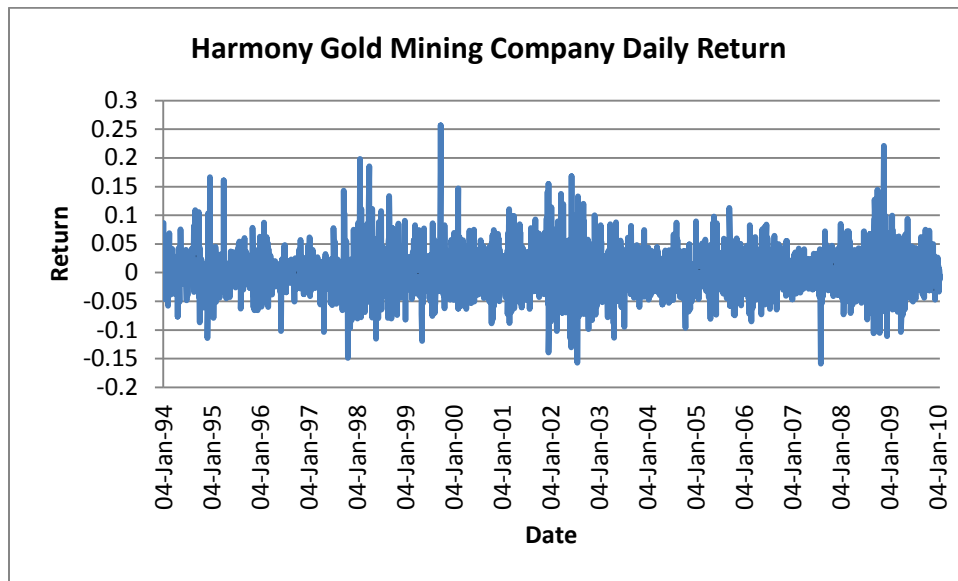


Figure 21: Harmony Gold Mining Company Daily Return

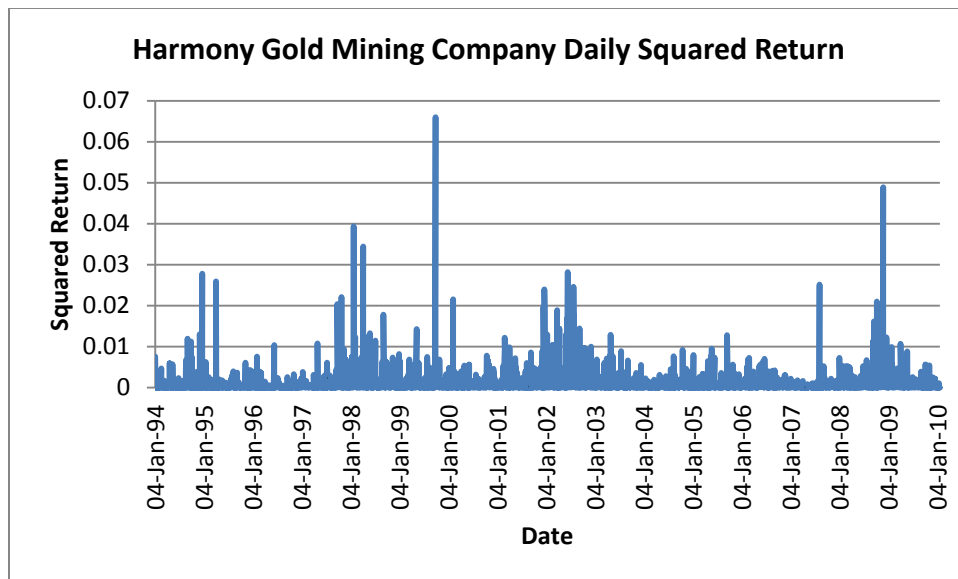


Figure 22: Harmony Gold Mining Company Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily return can be seen in Figure 23. The ACF shows some minor serial correlation at lag 1, while the PACF shows significant spikes at lags 1 and 15.

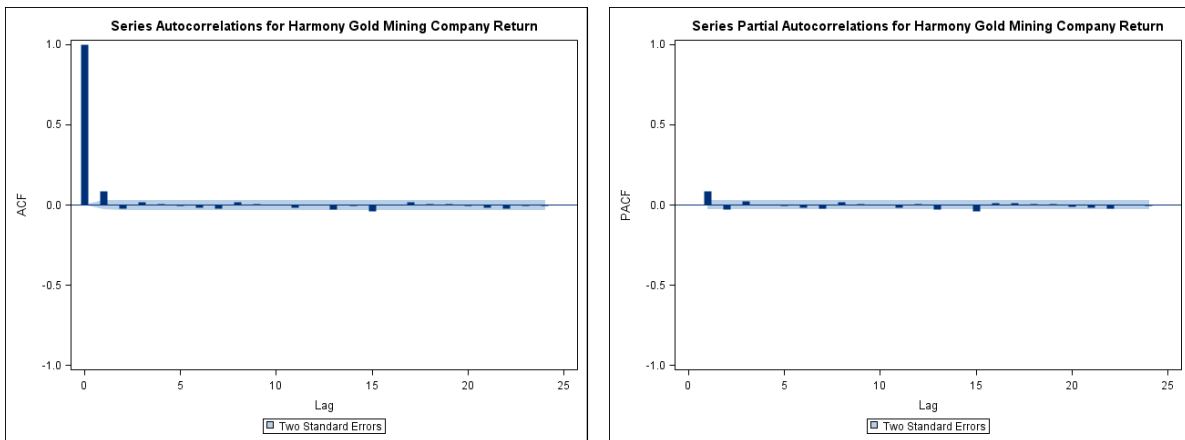


Figure 23: ACF and PACF for Harmony Gold Mining Company Daily Return

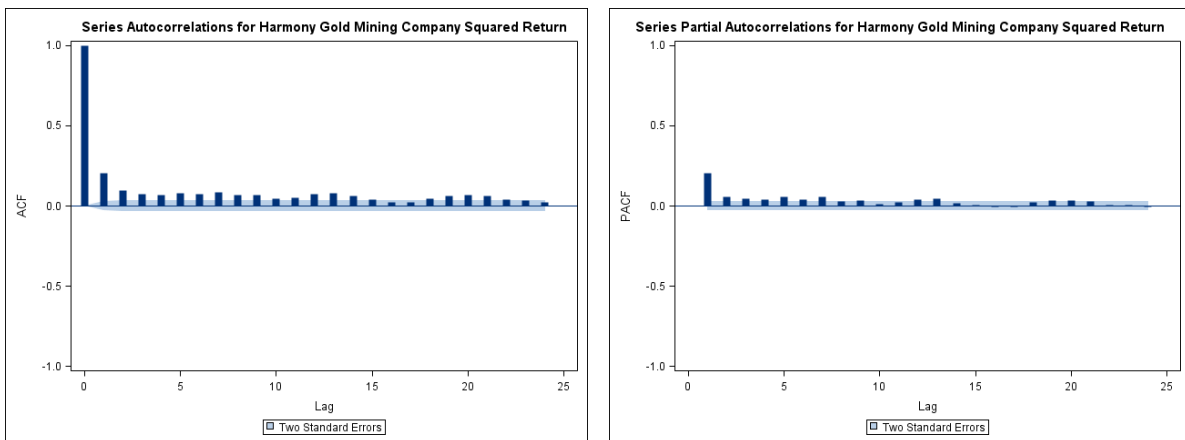


Figure 24: ACF and PACF for Harmony Gold Mining Company Daily Squared Return

The autocorrelation (ACF) and partial autocorrelation functions (PACF) for the daily squared return are given Figure 24. The ACF shows many significant spikes with the PACF showing some minor serial correlation at lags 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. This indicates the presence of an ARCH effect.

## Chapter Three

### 3 ARCH and GARCH Models

Until recently the main focus of economic time series modeling was based on the conditional first moments. Any dependency on higher moments was treated as nuisance (Bollerslev, Engle, & Nelson, ARCH Models, 1994, p. 2961). When making use of ARMA models there is an assumption of stationarity. This implies that we are making the assumption that the time series exhibits a constant variance, that is that the variance remains constant over time. This assumption is, however, an unrealistic one because many financial time series are often covariance nonstationary. There has been an increased focus on the importance of modeling risk and this has led to the development of models to allow for time varying variances and covariances (Bollerslev, Engle, & Nelson, ARCH Models, 1994, p. 2961). A class of models that allow for the presence of time varying variances and covariances are the ARCH family of models which were first introduced by Engle (1982). The ARCH models were later extended by Bollerslev (1986) to a more general form, known as GARCH models. ARCH and GARCH models, which are the focus of this chapter, have been widely used to analyze data on exchange rates and stock prices (Berkes, Horvath, & Kokoszka, 2003, p. 201) and play an increasingly important role in the management of risk scenario.

#### 3.1 The ARCH Model

The autoregressive conditional heteroscedastic (ARCH) model was first introduced by Engle (1982) to model changes in volatility (Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, p. 280). The ARCH model allows for the conditional error variance present in an ARMA process to depend on the past squared errors (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008, p. 414). This is different from the ARMA process, in which errors are assumed to be independent. In order to understand the ARCH model it is useful to first look at the ARCH(1) model and some of the properties associated with it.

##### 3.1.1 The ARCH(1) Model

Let  $r_t$  be the return of an asset at time  $t$ . The return series  $\{r_t\}$  should be serially uncorrelated or only have some minor serial correlations at lower orders when the interest is on the study of volatility. The series should however be dependent. The conditional mean and variance of  $r_t$  given  $F_{t-1}$  are



$$\mu_t = E(r_t | F_{t-1})$$

and

$$\sigma_t^2 = \text{var}(r_t | F_{t-1}) = E[(r_t - \mu_t)^2 | F_{t-1}]$$

where  $F_{t-1}$  is the information set or history at time  $t - 1$ . Now let

$$r_t = \mu_t + \varepsilon_t$$

where  $\mu_t$  is the in the form of an ARMA model with some explanatory variables given by

$$\mu_t = \phi_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \delta_i x_{it} + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i r_{t-i} - \sum_{i=1}^q \zeta_i \varepsilon_{t-i}$$

(Tsay, 2005, pp. 99-100).

More explanation on ARMA and related models can be found in (Tsay, 2005) and (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008).

The ARCH(1) model is then given by

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \tag{3.1}$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 \tag{3.2}$$

(Engle, 1982, p. 988) where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  and  $\alpha_1 \geq 1$  and  $\eta_t \sim N(0,1)$ . The unconditional mean of  $\varepsilon_t$  is zero because

$$E[\varepsilon_t] = E[E(\varepsilon_t | F_{t-1})] = E[\sigma_t E(\eta_t)] = 0. \tag{3.3}$$

The unconditional variance of  $\varepsilon_t$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\varepsilon_t) &= E[\varepsilon_t^2] = E[E(\varepsilon_t^2 | F_{t-1})] \\ &= E[\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2] = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 E[\varepsilon_{t-1}^2] \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

where  $F_{t-1}$  is the information set or history available at time  $t - 1$ . Thus

$$F_{t-1} = \{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_{t-1}\}.$$

Since  $\varepsilon_t$  is a stationary process with  $E[\varepsilon_t] = 0$  and  $\text{var}(\varepsilon_t) = \text{var}(\varepsilon_{t-1}) = E[\varepsilon_{t-1}^2]$ , we then have

$$\text{var}(\varepsilon_t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \text{var}(\varepsilon_t) = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \alpha_1}, \quad (3.5)$$

(Tsay, 2005, p. 105; Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, pp. 281-282).

For the variance of  $\varepsilon_t$  to be positive, we require that  $0 \leq \alpha_1 < 1$ . When modeling asset returns, it is sometimes useful to study the tail behavior of their distribution. To study the tail behavior we need the fourth moment of  $\varepsilon_t$  to be finite.

If we assume  $\eta_t$  to be normally distributed we have

$$E[\varepsilon_t^4 | F_{t-1}] = 3(E[\varepsilon_t^2 | F_{t-1}])^2 = 3(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2 \quad (3.6)$$

and

$$E[\varepsilon_t^4] = E[E(\varepsilon_t^4 | F_{t-1})] = 3E[\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2]^2 = 3E[\alpha_0^2 + 2\alpha_0 \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_1^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^4]. \quad (3.7)$$

If  $\varepsilon_t$  is fourth-order stationary we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[\varepsilon_t^4] &= 3 \left[ \alpha_0^2 + 2\alpha_0 \alpha_1 \text{var}(\varepsilon_t) + \alpha_1^2 E[\varepsilon_t^4] \right] \\ &= 3\alpha_0^2 \left( 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1}{1 - \alpha_1} \right) + 3\alpha_1^2 E[\varepsilon_t^4]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Solving for  $E[\varepsilon_t^4]$

$$E[\varepsilon_t^4] = \frac{3\alpha_0^2(1 + \alpha_1)}{(1 - \alpha_1)(1 - 3\alpha_1^2)}. \quad (3.9)$$

For  $E[\varepsilon_t^4]$  to be positive,  $\alpha_1$  must satisfy the condition  $1 - 3\alpha_1^2 > 0$  and, therefore,  $0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ .

The unconditional kurtosis of  $\varepsilon_t$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E[\varepsilon_t^4]}{(\text{var}(\varepsilon_t))^2} &= \frac{3\alpha_0^2(1 + \alpha_1)}{(1 - \alpha_1)(1 - 3\alpha_1^2)} \times \frac{(1 - \alpha_1)^2}{\alpha_0^2} \\ &= \frac{3(1 - \alpha_1^2)}{1 - 3\alpha_1^2} > 3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

So for an ARCH(1) process, we need  $0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  for the  $E[\varepsilon_t^4]$  to exist and the kurtosis of  $\varepsilon_t$  will always be greater than 3. This shows that the excess kurtosis of  $\varepsilon_t$  is positive and we also see that

the tail distribution of  $\varepsilon_t$  is heavier than that of the normal distribution (Talke, 2003, p. 9; Tsay, 2005, p. 105; Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, p. 282).

When using the ARCH and GARCH models it is necessary to consider modeling the squared residuals,  $\varepsilon_t^2$ . The reason for this becomes apparent when forecasting using the ARCH model and will be discussed later in the chapter. When modeling the squared residuals using the ARCH(1) models, we have

$$\varepsilon_t^2 = \sigma_t^2 \eta_t^2 \quad (3.11)$$

and since  $\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2$ , we have

$$\varepsilon_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + v_t \quad (3.12)$$

where  $v_t = \sigma_t^2(\eta_t^2 - 1)$  (Talke, 2003, pp. 9-10).

### Parameter Estimation for the ARCH(1) Model

Under the assumption of normality we can use the method of maximum likelihood estimation to estimate the parameters for the ARCH(1) model. The parameters to be estimated are  $\alpha_0$  and  $\alpha_1$ . The likelihood, based on the observations  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T$ , can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \boldsymbol{\alpha}) &= f(\varepsilon_T | F_{T-1}) f(\varepsilon_{T-1} | F_{T-2}) \dots f(\varepsilon_2 | F_1) f(\varepsilon_1 | \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \\ &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right) \times f(\varepsilon_1 | \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1)'$ . The exact form of  $f(\varepsilon_1 | \boldsymbol{\alpha})$  is complicated. Therefore, it is often easier to condition on  $\varepsilon_1$  and then to use the conditional likelihood,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \boldsymbol{\alpha}; \varepsilon_1) &= f(\varepsilon_T | F_{T-1}) \dots f(\varepsilon_2 | \boldsymbol{\alpha}; \varepsilon_1) \\ &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

to estimate  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  (Francq & Zakoian, 2010, pp. 141-142; Talke, 2003, p. 11). Maximizing the likelihood is the same as maximizing its logarithm. The log-likelihood is given by

$$l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}|\varepsilon_1) = \ln f(\varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T|\varepsilon_1; \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( \ln 2\pi + \ln \sigma_t^2 + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right). \quad (3.15)$$

The term  $\ln 2\pi$  does not contain any parameters to be estimated and the log-likelihood can therefore be simplified and written as

$$l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}|\varepsilon_1) = \ln f(\varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T|\varepsilon_1; \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( \ln \sigma_t^2 + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right). \quad (3.16)$$

We then maximize the log-likelihood recursively with respect to  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  using numerical methods, for example the Newton-Raphson method and the Fisher Scoring method.

### The Newton-Raphson Method

The Newton-Raphson method is used to solve nonlinear equations. It starts with an initial guess for the solution. A second guess is obtained by approximating the function to be maximized in the neighborhood of the first guess by a second-degree polynomial and then finding the location of the maximum value for that polynomial. A third guess is then obtained by approximating the function to be maximized in the neighborhood of the second guess by another second-degree polynomial and then finding the location of its maximum. The Newton-Raphson method continues in this way to obtain a sequence of guesses that converge to the location of the maximum (Agresti, 2002, pp. 143-144).

To determine the value of  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  at which the function  $L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$  is maximized we let

$$\mathbf{u}' = \left( \frac{\partial L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0}, \frac{\partial L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1}, \dots \right) \quad (3.17)$$

and let  $\mathbf{H}$  be the Hessian matrix with entries

$$h_{ab} = \frac{\partial^2 L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_a \partial \alpha_b}. \quad (3.18)$$

Let  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}$  be the guess for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$  at step  $t$  where  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and let  $\mathbf{u}^{(t)}$  and  $\mathbf{H}^{(t)}$  be  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  evaluated at  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}$ . Each step approximates  $L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$  near  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}$  by terms up to second order of its Taylor series expansion

$$L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \approx L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}) + \mathbf{u}^{(t)'}(\boldsymbol{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}) + \frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})' \mathbf{H}^{(t)}(\boldsymbol{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}) \quad (3.19)$$

The next guess is obtained by solving for  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  in

$$\frac{\partial L(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\alpha}} \approx \mathbf{u}^{(t)} + \mathbf{H}^{(t)}(\boldsymbol{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}) = 0. \quad (3.20)$$

If we assume that  $\mathbf{H}^{(t)}$  is nonsingular, then the next guess can be expressed as

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)} - (\mathbf{H}^{(t)})^{-1} \mathbf{u}^{(t)}. \quad (3.21)$$

The Newton-Raphson method continues until changes in  $L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})$  between two successive steps in the iteration process are small. The maximum likelihood estimator is then the limit of  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  (Agresti, 2002, pp. 143-144).

### The Fisher Scoring Method

An alternative to the Newton-Raphson method is the Fisher scoring method. The Fisher scoring method is similar to the Newton-Raphson method, however, instead of using the Hessian matrix the Fisher scoring method uses its expected value (Agresti, 2002, p. 145).

Let  $\mathbf{J}^{(t)}$  be the matrix with elements  $-E(\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) / \partial \alpha_a \partial \alpha_b)$  evaluated at  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)}$ . The formula for the Fisher scoring method is then given by

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)} + (\mathbf{J}^{(t)})^{-1} \mathbf{u}^{(t)}, \quad (3.22)$$

(Agresti, 2002, pp. 145-146).

Maximizing the likelihood is equivalent to maximizing its log-likelihood. So, from the Newton-Raphson and Fisher scoring methods, we can maximize the log-likelihood (3.16) for the ARCH(1) model so that the analogue of (3.17) is

$$\mathbf{u}' = \left( \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0}, \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1} \right), \quad (3.23)$$

and the analogue of (3.18) is

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.24)$$

From (3.16) we have

$$\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2} - \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( \frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2} - \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial^2 \alpha_0} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( -\frac{1}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^3} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( -\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^3} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( -\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^3} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha})}{\partial^2 \alpha_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( -\frac{\varepsilon_{t-1}^4}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^2} + 2 \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^4}{(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2)^3} \right).$$

For the Newton-Raphson method we have from (3.21) that

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.25)$$

and for the Fisher Scoring Method we have from (3.22) that

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)} + \begin{pmatrix} E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0}\right) & E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1}\right) \\ E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0}\right) & E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1}\right) \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.26)$$

### Forecasting with the ARCH(1) Model

To forecast with the ARCH(1) model, we consider the series  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T$  and then let the  $l$  step ahead forecast at forecast origin  $T$  be denoted by  $\varepsilon_T(l)$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\varepsilon_T(l)$  is the minimum mean square error predictor that minimizes  $E(\varepsilon_{T+l} - f(\varepsilon))^2$  where  $f(\varepsilon)$  is a function of the observed series and is given by

$$\varepsilon_T(l) = E[\varepsilon_{T+l} | \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T], \quad (3.27)$$

(Talke, 2003, pp. 13-14). For the ARCH(1) model we have

$$\varepsilon_T(l) = 0. \quad (3.28)$$

This is not a useful forecast for the  $\varepsilon_t$  series and it is therefore necessary to forecast the squared returns  $\varepsilon_t^2$ . We therefore consider

$$\varepsilon_T^2(l) = E[\varepsilon_{T+l}^2 | \varepsilon_1^2, \varepsilon_2^2, \dots, \varepsilon_T^2]. \quad (3.29)$$

The one step ahead forecast is then given as

$$\varepsilon_T^2(1) = \hat{\alpha}_0 + \hat{\alpha}_1 \varepsilon_T^2. \quad (3.30)$$

This is the same as the one step ahead forecast given by

$$\sigma_T^2(1) = E(\sigma_{T+1}^2 | F_T) = \hat{\alpha}_0 + \hat{\alpha}_1 \varepsilon_T^2 \quad (3.31)$$

where  $\hat{\alpha}_0$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_1$  are the conditional maximum likelihood estimates for  $\alpha_0$  and  $\alpha_1$  respectively (Tsay, 2005, p. 109; Talke, 2003, p. 14). Forecasts are obtained recursively and, therefore, the two step ahead forecast is give by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon_T^2(2) &= E(\varepsilon_{T+2}^2|F_T) \\
 &= E(\sigma_{T+2}^2|F_T) \\
 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 E(\varepsilon_{T+1}^2|F_T) \\
 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_T^2) \\
 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_0 \alpha_1 + \alpha_1^2 \varepsilon_T^2 = \sigma_T^2(2).
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

The  $l$  step ahead forecast is then given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon_T^2(l) &= E(\varepsilon_{T+l}^2|F_T) \\
 &= \alpha_0(1 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_1^2 + \dots + \alpha_1^{l-1}) + \alpha_1^l \varepsilon_T^2 \\
 &= \sigma_T^2(l)
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

(Talke, 2003, pp. 14-15; Tsay, 2005, p. 109).

### 3.1.2 The ARCH(q) Model

The ARCH(q) model is a simple extension of the ARCH(1) model. The ARCH(q) model is given by

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \tag{3.34}$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_2 \varepsilon_{t-2}^2 + \dots + \alpha_q \varepsilon_{t-q}^2 \tag{3.35}$$

where  $\{\eta_t\}$  is the sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables with mean zero and variance one,  $\alpha_0 > 0$  and  $\alpha_i \geq 0$  for  $i > 0$ . The  $\alpha_i$  must also satisfy some regularity conditions for the unconditional variances of  $\varepsilon_t$  to be finite.

#### Estimating the parameters for an ARCH(q) model

Parameters for the ARCH(q) model are estimated by maximizing the likelihood function. Under the assumption of normality the likelihood function for an ARCH(q) model is given by

$$f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \alpha) = f(\varepsilon_T | F_{T-1}) f(\varepsilon_{T-1} | F_{T-2}) \dots f(\varepsilon_{q+1} | F_q) f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q | \alpha)$$



$$= \prod_{t=q+1}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right) \times f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q | \boldsymbol{\alpha}), \quad (3.36)$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q)'$  and  $f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q | \boldsymbol{\alpha})$  is the joint probability density function of  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q$ . Often the conditional likelihood function,

$$f(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q) = \prod_{t=q+1}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right), \quad (3.37)$$

is used because the exact form of  $f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q | \boldsymbol{\alpha})$  is complicated. When using the conditional likelihood  $\sigma_t^2$  can be evaluated recursively.

The logarithm of the conditional likelihood is easier to use and maximizing the logarithm is equivalent to maximizing the conditional likelihood. The logarithm of the conditional likelihood is

$$l(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q) = \sum_{t=q+1}^T \left( -\frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \ln \sigma_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right). \quad (3.38)$$

The log likelihood can be simplified to

$$l(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q) = - \sum_{t=q+1}^T \left( \frac{1}{2} \ln \sigma_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right) \quad (3.39)$$

since the term  $\ln(2\pi)$  does not include any parameters to be estimated. We then evaluate  $\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \dots + \alpha_q \varepsilon_{t-q}^2$  recursively. Evaluation of the parameters follows the same process as in the ARCH(1) model discussed above.

### Forecasting with the ARCH(q) Model

To forecast with the ARCH(q) model we consider the series  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T$  and then let the  $l$  step ahead forecast at forecast origin  $T$  be denoted by  $\varepsilon_T(l)$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\varepsilon_T(l)$  is the minimum mean square error predictor that minimizes  $E(\varepsilon_{T+l} - f(\varepsilon))^2$  where  $f(\varepsilon)$  is a function of the observed series. Again we need to forecast using the squared errors  $\varepsilon_t^2$  as the  $E[\varepsilon_T(l)] = 0$  which is not a useful forecast for the series  $\varepsilon_t$  (Talke, 2003, p. 18). Forecasts are obtained recursively and the procedure follows that of the forecast for the ARCH(1) model. For the ARCH(q) model at the forecast origin  $T$ , the one step ahead forecast of  $\sigma_{T+1}^2$  is given by

$$\sigma_T^2(1) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_T^2 + \cdots + \alpha_q \varepsilon_{T+1-q}^2. \quad (3.40)$$

The two step ahead forecast is given by

$$\sigma_T^2(2) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \sigma_T^2(1) + \alpha_2 \varepsilon_T^2 + \cdots + \alpha_q \varepsilon_{T+2-q}^2. \quad (3.41)$$

In general the  $l$  step ahead forecast of  $\sigma_{T+l}^2$  is given by

$$\sigma_T^2(l) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \sigma_T^2(l-i) \quad (3.42)$$

and, if  $l-i \leq 0$ , then  $\sigma_T^2(l-i) = \varepsilon_{T+l-i}^2$  (Tsay, 2005, p. 109).

### Weaknesses of ARCH Models

Along with some of the advantages of the ARCH model which were stated in the previous section there are also some disadvantages that need to be taken into consideration when using ARCH models. Firstly, the ARCH model does not distinguish between positive and negative shocks because it depends on the square of the previous shocks. This means that both positive and negative shocks are assumed to have the same effect. Secondly, the ARCH model is restrictive. This can be seen for the ARCH(1) model where  $0 \leq \alpha_1 < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  for the fourth moment to exist. For higher order ARCH models this constraint becomes more complicated. Thirdly, the ARCH model only provides a way of describing the behavior of the conditional variance. It does not help us in understanding the causes of this behavior. Finally, the ARCH model often over predicts volatility. This is because ARCH models respond slowly to large isolated shocks in the series (Tsay, 2005, p. 106).

### 3.2 The GARCH Model

An extension to the ARCH model is the generalized ARCH or GARCH model developed by Bollerslev (1986). An advantage of the GARCH model is that it requires fewer parameters than the ARCH model to adequately describe the data (Tsay, 2005, pp. 114-115). The GARCH model depends on both the previous shocks and on the previous conditional variance (Talke, 2003, p. 20).

### 3.2.1 The GARCH(1,1) Model

The GARCH(1,1) model is given by

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (3.43)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \quad (3.44)$$

where  $\eta_t \sim N(0,1)$ . For the variance  $\sigma_t^2$  to be positive we need to impose some restrictions on the parameters. In particular, we need  $\alpha_0 > 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 \geq 0$  and  $\beta_1 \geq 0$  (Talke, 2003, p. 21). From equation (3.44) it can be seen that a large value for  $\varepsilon_{t-1}^2$  or  $\sigma_{t-1}^2$  results in a large value for  $\sigma_t^2$ . So a large value of  $\varepsilon_{t-1}^2$  tends to be followed by another large  $\varepsilon_t^2$ . This generates volatility clustering which is present in financial time series (Tsay, 2005, p. 114).

The GARCH(1,1) model can be rewritten as

$$\varepsilon_t^2 = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + v_t - \beta_1 v_{t-1} \quad (3.45)$$

where  $v_t = \varepsilon_t^2 - \sigma_t^2$ . This form shows that the process of squared errors follows an ARMA(1,1) process with uncorrelated  $v_t$  (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008, p. 417). This form of the model is useful for determining the properties of the GARCH(1,1) model.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} v_t &= \varepsilon_t^2 - \sigma_t^2 \\ &= \sigma_t^2 \eta_t^2 - \sigma_t^2 \\ &= \sigma_t^2 (\eta_t^2 - 1) \end{aligned} \quad (3.46)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E[v_t | F_{t-1}] &= E[\sigma_t^2 (\eta_t^2 - 1) | F_{t-1}] \\ &= \sigma_t^2 E[\eta_t^2 - 1] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (3.47)$$

where  $F_{t-1} = \{\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2, \varepsilon_2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \varepsilon_{t-1}, \sigma_{t-1}^2\}$  is the information set at time  $t-1$ . So,  $v_t$  is a martingale difference and, therefore,  $E[v_t] = 0$  and  $cov(v_t, v_{t-k}) = 0$  for  $k \geq 1$ . So,  $v_t$  is serially uncorrelated (Talke, 2003, p. 21).

### Kurtosis of the GARCH(1,1) Model

If we consider the model given in (3.43) and (3.44) we have

$$E(\eta_t) = 0,$$

$$\text{var}(\eta_t) = 1,$$

$$E(\eta_t^4) = K_\varepsilon + 3,$$

where  $K_\varepsilon$  is the excess kurtosis for  $\eta_t$ . From the above assumptions we have

$$\text{var}(\varepsilon_t) = E(\sigma_t^2) = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \quad (3.48)$$

(Herwartz, 2004, p. 200) and if we assume that  $E(\sigma_t^4)$  exists, then

$$E(\varepsilon_t^4) = (K_\varepsilon + 3)E(\sigma_t^4). \quad (3.49)$$

Taking the square of equation (3.48) we have

$$\sigma_t^4 = \alpha_0^2 + \alpha_1^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^4 + \beta_1^2 \sigma_{t-1}^4 + 2\alpha_0 \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + 2\alpha_0 \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 + 2\alpha_1 \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2. \quad (3.50)$$

Taking the expectation and using (3.48) and (3.49), we then have

$$E(\sigma_t^4) = \frac{\alpha_0^2(1 + \alpha_1 + \beta_1)}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(1 - \alpha_1^2(K_\varepsilon + 2) - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2)} \quad (3.51)$$

subject to  $1 > \alpha_1 + \beta_1 \geq 0$  and  $(1 - \alpha_1^2(K_\varepsilon + 2) - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2) > 0$ . Then the excess kurtosis of  $\eta_t$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \frac{E(\varepsilon_t^2)}{[E(\varepsilon_t^2)]^2} - 3 \\ &= \frac{(K_\varepsilon + 3)(1 - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2)}{1 - 2\alpha_1^2 - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 - K_\varepsilon \alpha_1^2} - 3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.52)$$

If we assume that  $\eta_t$  is normally distributed, then  $K_\varepsilon = 0$  and we then have

$$\frac{E(\varepsilon_t^2)}{[E(\varepsilon_t^2)]^2} = \frac{3(1 - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2)}{1 - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 - 2\alpha_1^2} > 3. \quad (3.53)$$

This means that for the kurtosis to exist we require  $1 - 2\alpha_1^2 - (\alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 > 0$  (Talke, 2003, pp. 21-23; Tsay, 2005, pp. 145-146). This shows that like the ARCH model the GARCH model has a tail distribution that is heavier than that of the normal distribution (Tsay, 2005, p. 114).

### Parameter Estimation for the GARCH(1,1) Model

Parameter estimation for the GARCH(1,1) model follows a similar procedure as that for the ARCH(1) model. One difference, however, is that an initial estimate for the value of the past conditional variance is required. Bollerslev (1986) suggests using the unconditional variance of  $\varepsilon_t$  as an initial value for this variance. So we can use

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \quad (3.54)$$

as the estimate for the initial value for the past conditional variance (Talke, 2003, p. 23).

Under the assumption of normality we can use the method of maximum likelihood estimation to estimate the parameters for the GARCH(1,1) model. The parameters to be estimated are  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1$  and  $\beta_1$ . The likelihood can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}) &= f(\varepsilon_T, \sigma_T^2 | F_{T-1}) f(\varepsilon_{T-1}, \sigma_{T-1}^2 | F_{T-2}) \dots f(\varepsilon_2, \sigma_2^2 | F_1) f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right) \times f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.55)$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \beta_1)'$ . The exact form of  $f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta})$  is complicated and it is therefore often easier to condition on  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\sigma_1^2$  and then to use the conditional likelihood,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}; \varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2) &= f(\varepsilon_T, \sigma_T^2 | F_{T-1}) \dots f(\varepsilon_2, \sigma_2^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}; \varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2) \\ &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.56)$$

to estimate  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ . Maximizing the likelihood is equivalent to maximizing its logarithm. The conditional log-likelihood is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
l(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2) &= \ln f(\varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_2^2, \sigma_3^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left( \ln(2\pi\sigma_t^2) + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right), \tag{3.57}
\end{aligned}$$

(Francq & Zakoian, 2010, pp. 141-142; Talke, 2003, p. 23). The two methods that can be used to solve for  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  are the Newton-Raphson and Fisher scoring methods. Once again maximizing the likelihood is the same as maximizing the log likelihood so then from (3.17) we have

$$\mathbf{u}' = \left( \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0}, \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1}, \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1} \right),$$

and from (3.18) we have

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \beta_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \beta_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \beta_1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can rewrite equation (3.44) in the following way

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_t^2 &= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-2}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-2}^2) \\
&= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_0 \beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_1 \varepsilon_{t-2}^2 + \beta_1^2 \sigma_{t-2}^2 \\
&= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_0 \beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_1 \varepsilon_{t-2}^2 + \beta_1^2 (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-3}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-3}^2) \\
&= \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_0 \beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_1 \varepsilon_{t-2}^2 + \alpha_0 \beta_1^2 + \alpha_1 \beta_1^2 \varepsilon_{t-3}^2 + \beta_1^3 \sigma_{t-3}^2 \\
&\vdots \\
&= \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \beta_1^{t-1} \sigma_1^2. \tag{3.58}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the initial condition given by equation (3.54), we then have

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1}. \tag{3.59}$$

Using the log-likelihood given by (3.57) with  $\sigma_t^2$  given by (3.59), we have the following

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right) - \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right) \right\} \\
\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) - \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right\} \\
\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1) \alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1) \alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right\} \\
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial^2 \alpha_0} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right)^2 \right\} \\
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2 \sigma_t^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \beta_1} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
& - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \varepsilon_t^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right) \\
& + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{\sigma_t^2 (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right. \\
& - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_0-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial^2 \alpha_1} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{\sigma_t^2 (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right)^2 + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2 \alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right) \\ & \left. + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} y_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right)^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \beta_1} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right) \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} y_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \varepsilon_t^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right) \right) \\ & + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_0} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
& - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \varepsilon_t^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} + \frac{\beta_1^{t-1}}{1-\alpha_1-\beta_1} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_1} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right) \right. \\
& - \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \varepsilon_t^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^3} \right) \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1) \beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + (1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)(t-1)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-2}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \beta_1^{i-1} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1}}{(1-\alpha_1-\beta_1)^2} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial^2 \beta_1} \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=2}^T \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_t^2} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i^2 - 3i + 2) \beta_1^{i-3} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i^2 - 3i + 2) \beta_1^{i-3} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \right. \\
&+ \frac{2\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-1} + 2\alpha_0(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2(t^2 - 3t + 2)\alpha_0 \beta_1^{t-3}}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^3} \\
&- \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \left( \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1)\beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1)\beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0(\beta_1^{t-1} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2})}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right)^2 \right. \\
&+ \varepsilon_t^2 \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i^2 - 3i + 2) \beta_1^{i-3} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i^2 - 3i + 2) \beta_1^{i-3} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 \right. \\
&+ \left. \left. \frac{\alpha_0(2\beta_1^{t-1} + 2(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2(t^2 - 3t + 2)\beta_1^{t-3})}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^3} \right) \right) \\
&+ \left. \frac{2\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^6} \left( \alpha_0 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1)\beta_1^{i-2} + \alpha_1 \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} (i-1)\beta_1^{i-2} \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \frac{\alpha_0(\beta_1^{t-1} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)(t-1)\beta_1^{t-2})}{(1 - \alpha_1 - \beta_1)^2} \right)^2 \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using the Newton-Raphson method we have from (3.21),

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \beta_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \beta_1} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_0} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_1} & \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \beta_1} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

and using the Fisher scoring method we have from (3.22) that

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)} = \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} + \begin{pmatrix} E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_0} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \alpha_1} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0 \partial \beta_1} \right) \\ E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_0} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \alpha_1} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1 \partial \beta_1} \right) \\ E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_0} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \alpha_1} \right) & E \left( \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \beta_1} \right) \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_0} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \alpha_1} \\ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)})}{\partial \beta_1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

### Forecasting with the GARCH(1,1) Model

Forecasting with the GARCH model is similar to forecasting with the ARMA model. If we consider the GARCH(1,1) model with forecast origin  $T$ , then the one step ahead forecast is given as

$$\sigma_T^2(1) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_T^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_T^2. \quad (3.60)$$

Forecasts are obtained recursively and, for multistep ahead forecasts, we need to use  $\varepsilon_t^2 = \sigma_t^2 \eta_t^2$  and to rewrite the equation (3.44) as

$$\sigma_{t+1}^2 = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \sigma_t^2 + \alpha_1 \sigma_t^2 (\eta_t^2 - 1). \quad (3.61)$$

When  $t = T + 1$ , the equation becomes

$$\sigma_{T+2}^2 = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \sigma_{T+1}^2 + \alpha_1 \sigma_{T+1}^2 (\eta_{T+1}^2 - 1). \quad (3.62)$$

The two step ahead forecast at the forecast origin  $T$  is then given by

$$\sigma_T^2(2) = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \sigma_T^2(1), \quad (3.63)$$

since  $E(\eta_{T+1}^2 - 1 | F_t) = 0$ .

In general for the  $l$  step ahead forecast for  $l > 1$  we have

$$\sigma_T^2(l) = \alpha_0 + (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) \sigma_T^2(l-1) \quad (3.64)$$

(Tsay, 2005, p. 115).

### 3.2.2 The GARCH(p,q) Model

The GARCH(p,q) model extends the GARCH(1,1) model to  $p$  and  $q$  parameters.

The GARCH(p,q) model is give by

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (3.65)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j \sigma_{t-j}^2, \quad (3.66)$$

where  $\eta_t \sim N(0,1)$ . For the variance to be positive we need  $\alpha_0 > 0, \alpha_i \geq 0, \beta_j \geq 0$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^{\max(p,q)} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) < 1$  and we take  $\alpha_i = 0$  for  $i > p$  and  $\beta_j = 0$  for  $j > q$  (Bollerslev, 1986, p.

309; Herwartz, 2004, p. 199). Having  $\sum_{i=1}^{\max(p,q)}(\alpha_i + \beta_i) < 1$  implies that the unconditional variance of  $\varepsilon_t$  exists and that the conditional variance  $\sigma_t^2$  changes over time. If  $p = 0$  then the GARCH(p,q) model reduces to an ARCH(q) model. As with the GARCH(1,1) model, we can let  $v_t = \varepsilon_t^2 - \sigma_t^2$  so that  $\sigma_t^2 = \varepsilon_t^2 - v_t$ . If we substitute  $\sigma_{t-i}^2 = \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 - v_{t-i}$  for  $i = (0, 1, \dots, q)$  into equation (3.66), we can rewrite the GARCH model as

$$\varepsilon_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\max(p,q)} (\alpha_i + \beta_j) \varepsilon_{t-i}^2 + v_t - \sum_{j=1}^q \beta_j v_{t-j} \quad (3.67)$$

and we have that  $E(v_t) = 0$ , and  $cov(v_t, v_{t-j}) = 0$  for  $j \geq 1$ . Equation (3.67) shows that the GARCH model can be written as an ARMA form for the squared series  $\varepsilon_t^2$  (Tsay, 2005, p. 114). This form of the model is useful for forecasting.

### Parameter Estimation for the GARCH(p,q) Model

Under the assumption of normality we can use the method of maximum likelihood estimation to estimate the parameters for the GARCH(p,q) model. The parameters to be estimated are  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_q$ . The likelihood can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}) &= f(\varepsilon_T, \sigma_T^2 | F_{T-1}) f(\varepsilon_{T-1}, \sigma_{T-1}^2 | F_{T-2}) \dots f(\varepsilon_2, \sigma_2^2 | F_1) f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right) \times f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.68)$$

where  $F_{t-1} = \{\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \varepsilon_{t-1}, \sigma_{t-1}^2\}$  is the information set at time  $t-1$  and  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_q)'$ . The exact form of  $f(\varepsilon_1, \sigma_1^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta})$  is complicated and it is therefore often easier to condition on  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_p$  and  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2$  and then use the conditional likelihood,

$$\begin{aligned} &f(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_{p+1}^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}; \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2) \\ &= f(\varepsilon_T, \sigma_T^2 | F_{T-1}) \dots f(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \sigma_{p+1}^2 | \boldsymbol{\theta}; \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2) \\ &= \prod_{t=m+1}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_t^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{2\sigma_t^2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.69)$$

to estimate  $\theta$ . Maximizing the likelihood is equivalent to maximizing its logarithm. We can therefore use the conditional log-likelihood given by

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta|\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2) &= \ln f(\varepsilon_{q+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_T, \sigma_{p+1}^2, \dots, \sigma_T^2 | \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_q, \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2; \theta) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=m+1}^T \left( \ln(2\pi\sigma_t^2) + \frac{\varepsilon_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.70)$$

where  $m = \max(p, q)$  (Talke, 2003, p. 30).

We need to solve for  $\theta$  recursively in a similar manner to that of the GARCH(1,1) model. Two methods to solve for  $\theta$  are the Newton-Raphson and Fisher scoring.

### Parameter Estimation with Non-Normal Distributions

Often when fitting GARCH models, the assumption of normality is violated for real data. If the assumption of normality is violated a number of problems can occur. Firstly, the parameter estimates could be inconsistent and, secondly, it is no longer possible to provide valid conditional forecasting intervals for  $y_{T+l}$  given  $F_T$  by using the quantiles of the normal distribution. For this reason it is useful to consider a distribution that is leptokurtic (Herwartz, 2004, p. 204). Two distributions to be considered are the t-distribution and the general error distribution.

### GARCH with t-distributed Innovations

If the random variable  $\varepsilon_t$  is t-distributed with  $\nu$  degrees of freedom, has a zero mean and a variance of  $\sigma_t^2$ , then its probability density function is given by

$$f(\varepsilon_t|\theta, \nu) = \frac{\nu^{v/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) \sqrt{\frac{(\nu-2)\sigma_t^2}{\nu}}} \left( \nu + \frac{\nu \cdot y_t^2}{(\nu-2)\sigma_t^2} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \quad (3.71)$$

where  $\Gamma(\cdot)$  is the gamma function given by

$$\Gamma(h) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{h-1} e^{-x} dx, \quad h > 0. \quad (3.72)$$

The contribution of an observation to the log-likelihood function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta, \nu) &= \ln f(\varepsilon_t | F_{t-1}) \\ &= \ln \left( \frac{\nu}{\nu^2} \Gamma \left( \frac{\nu+1}{2} \right) \right) - \ln \left( \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma \left( \frac{\nu}{2} \right) \sqrt{\frac{(\nu-2)\sigma_t^2}{\nu}} \right) - \frac{\nu+1}{2} \ln \left( \nu + \frac{\nu \cdot y_t^2}{(\nu-2)\sigma_t^2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.73)$$

where  $\sigma_t^2$  is of the form given by (3.66) (Herwartz, 2004, p. 205). The log-likelihood is maximized in the same manner as before.

### **GARCH with Generalized Error Distribution (GED)**

A random variable  $\varepsilon_t$  with shape parameter  $\nu$ , a mean of zero, and a variance  $\sigma_t^2$  has a probability density function given by

$$f(\varepsilon_t | \theta, \nu) = \nu \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{\varepsilon_t}{\lambda \cdot \sigma_t} \right|^\nu \right) \left[ 2^{\frac{\nu+1}{\nu}} \Gamma \left( \frac{1}{\nu} \right) \lambda \cdot \sigma_t \right]^{-1}, \quad (3.74)$$

where  $\lambda$  is given by

$$\lambda = \left( \frac{\Gamma \left( \frac{1}{\nu} \right)}{2^{\frac{2}{\nu}} \Gamma \left( \frac{3}{\nu} \right)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (3.75)$$

When  $\nu = 2$ , the probability density function is equal to the  $N(0, \sigma_t^2)$  probability density function and, when  $\nu < 2$ , the distribution becomes leptokurtic. The contribution of an observation to the log-likelihood is given by

$$l(\theta, \nu) = \ln(\nu) - \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{\varepsilon_t}{\lambda \cdot \sigma_t} \right|^\nu - \ln \left( 2^{\frac{\nu+1}{\nu}} \Gamma \left( \frac{1}{\nu} \right) \lambda \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(\sigma_t^2) \quad (3.76)$$

(Herwartz, 2004, pp. 205-206). Again, the log-likelihood is maximized as before.

### Forecasting with the GARCH(p,q) Model

Forecasting with the GARCH model is similar to forecasting with an ARMA model. The forecast is obtained by taking the conditional expectation. For the GARCH(p,q) model at forecast origin  $T$  and using the ARMA form of the model given by equation (3.67) the one step ahead forecast is given by

$$\varepsilon_T^2(1) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\max(p,q)} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) E[\varepsilon_{T+1-i}^2 | F_T] - \sum_{j=1}^q \beta_j E[v_{T+1-j} | F_T], \quad (3.77)$$

where  $\varepsilon_T^2, \dots, \varepsilon_{T+1-\max(p,q)}^2$  and  $\sigma_T^2, \dots, \sigma_{T+1-q}^2$  are assumed to be known at time  $T$ . In general, the  $l$  step ahead forecast is given by

$$\sigma_T^2(l) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\max(p,q)} (\alpha_i + \beta_i) E[\varepsilon_{T+l-i}^2 | F_T] - \sum_{j=1}^q \beta_j E[v_{T+l-j} | F_T], \quad (3.78)$$

where  $E[\varepsilon_{T+l-i}^2 | F_T]$  is given recursively by equation (3.78) for  $i < l$ ,  $E[\varepsilon_{T+l-i}^2 | F_T] = \varepsilon_{T+l-i}^2$  for  $i \geq l$ ,  $E[v_{T+l-1} | F_T] = 0$  for  $i < l$  and  $E[v_{T+l-i} | F_T] = v_{T+l-i}$  for  $i \geq l$  (Shumway, 1988, pp. 142-144; Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, pp. 116-117; Talke, 2003, pp. 30-31).

## 3.3 Extensions of the GARCH Model

### The Integrated GARCH Model

The integrated GARCH (IGARCH) process was designed for the modeling of data that exhibit persistent changes in volatility. An IGARCH process can either be a non-stationary process or a stationary process with an infinite variance. A GARCH(p,q) process is stationary with a finite variance if

$$\sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i < 1. \quad (3.79)$$

If the polynomial in equation (3.67) has a unit root then the GARCH model is an IGARCH model. The IGARCH model is a unit root GARCH model. The GARCH(p,q) process is called IGARCH if

$$\sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i = 1 \quad (3.80)$$



(Ruppert, 2004, p. 377).

The IGARCH(1,1) model can be written as

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (3.81)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 + (1 - \beta_1) \varepsilon_{t-1}^2, \quad (3.82)$$

where  $\{\eta_t\}$  is defined as for the GARCH models and  $1 > \beta_1 > 0$ . When using the IGARCH model, the unconditional variance no longer exists (Tsay, 2005, p. 122).

### The Exponential GARCH Model

The exponential GARCH (EGARCH) model was first introduced by (Nelson, 1991). The model allows for asymmetric effects between positive and negative asset returns. The EGARCH model has some advantages over the GARCH model. Since the  $\log(\sigma_t^2)$  has been modeled then  $\sigma_t^2$  will be positive even if the model parameters are negative. This means that it's not necessary to impose constraints on the parameters to force them to be non-negative (Brooks, 2008, p. 406; Ruppert, 2004, p. 383; Tsay, 2005, p. 124). Nelson considered the weighted innovation given by

$$g(\eta_t) = \theta \eta_t + \gamma (|\eta_t| - E[|\eta_t|]), \quad (3.83)$$

where  $\theta$  and  $\gamma$  are real constants and  $\eta_t$  and  $|\eta_t| - E[|\eta_t|]$  are zero mean independent and identically distributed sequences with continuous distributions. So, we have then that  $E[g(\eta_t)] = 0$ . We can see the symmetry of  $g(\eta_t)$  if we rewrite it as

$$g(\eta_t) = \begin{cases} (\theta + \gamma)\eta_t - \gamma E(|\eta_t|) & \text{if } \eta_t \geq 0 \\ (\theta - \gamma)\eta_t - \gamma E(|\eta_t|) & \text{if } \eta_t < 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.84)$$

The asymmetry of the EGARCH model means that if the relationship between the volatility and the returns is negative then  $\gamma$  will be negative (Brooks, 2008, p. 406).

The EGARCH(p,q) model can be written as

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (3.85)$$

$$\ln(\sigma_t^2) = \alpha_0 + \frac{1 + \beta_1 B + \dots + \beta_{q-1} B^{q-1}}{1 - \alpha_1 B - \dots - \alpha_p B^p} g(\eta_{t-1}), \quad (3.86)$$

where  $\alpha_0$  is a constant,  $B$  is the back-shift operator, such that  $Bg(\eta_t) = g(\eta_{t-1})$ . The numerator,  $1 + \beta_1 B + \dots + \beta_{q-1} B^{q-1}$  and the denominator,  $1 - \alpha_1 B - \dots - \alpha_p B^p$  are polynomials with zeros outside the unit circle (Tsay, 2005, p. 124).

Alternatively, the model can be written as

$$\ln(\sigma_t^2) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^q \alpha_i \frac{|\varepsilon_{t-i}| + \gamma_i \varepsilon_{t-i}}{\sigma_{t-i}} + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j \ln(\sigma_{t-j}^2). \quad (3.87)$$

When the model is in the form of equation (3.87), we have that a positive  $\varepsilon_{t-i}$  contributes  $\alpha_i(1 + \gamma_i)|\eta_{t-i}|$  to the log volatility and a negative  $\varepsilon_{t-i}$  contributes  $\alpha_i(1 - \gamma_i)|\eta_{t-i}|$ , where  $\eta_{t-i} = \varepsilon_{t-i}/\sigma_{t-i}$ . Thus the parameter  $\gamma_i$  is the leverage effect of  $\varepsilon_{t-i}$  (Tsay, 2005, p. 125). The leverage effect occurs when returns become more volatile as the price decreases (Ruppert, 2004, p. 384).

### The GARCH-M Model

Engle, Lilien, and Robins (1987) first suggested the use of an ARCH-M model, which lets the conditional variance of the return enter into the conditional mean equation. GARCH models, however, have become more popular than ARCH models and it is, therefore, more common to estimate a GARCH-M model (Brooks, 2008, p. 410). The M in GARCH-M stands for GARCH in the mean. The GARCH-M model is useful when the return depends on its volatility (Tsay, 2005, p. 123).

The GARCH(1,1)-M model can be written as

$$r_t = \mu + c\sigma_t^2 + \varepsilon_t \quad (3.88)$$

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (3.89)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2, \quad (3.90)$$

where  $\mu$  and  $c$  are constants and the parameter  $c$  is called the risk premium parameter. A positive  $c$  implies that the return is positively related to its volatility (Tsay, 2005, p. 123).

### 3.4 Testing for ARCH

To test for conditional heteroscedasticity, or ARCH effect, let  $\varepsilon_t$  be the residuals from the mean equation for the return series. There are two tests that are commonly used to test for ARCH effect. The first test makes use of the Ljung-Box statistics  $Q(m)$  which are applied to the  $\{\varepsilon_t^2\}$  series where the null hypothesis is that the first  $m$  lags of the autocorrelation function of the  $\varepsilon_t^2$  series are zero (Tsay, 2005, p. 101). The Ljung-Box statistic is given by

$$Q(m) = T(T + 2) \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\hat{\rho}_k^2}{T - k}, \quad (3.91)$$

where  $T$  is the sample size,  $m$  is the number of lags, and  $\hat{\rho}_k$  is the estimate of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  autocorrelation of the squared residuals.  $\hat{\rho}_k$  is given by

$$\hat{\rho}_k = \frac{\sum_{t=k+1}^T (\varepsilon_t^2 - \hat{\mu})(\varepsilon_{t-k}^2 - \hat{\mu})}{\sum_{t=1}^T (\varepsilon_{t-k}^2 - \hat{\mu})^2}, \quad (3.92)$$

where  $\hat{\mu}$  is the sample mean given by

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \varepsilon_t^2. \quad (3.93)$$

Under the null hypothesis,  $Q(m)$  is asymptotically distributed as a chi-squared distribution with  $m$  degrees of freedom (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008, pp. 417-418; McLeod & Li, 1983, pp. 269-271). The null hypothesis is rejected if  $Q(m) > \chi_m^2(\alpha)$ , where  $\chi_m^2(\alpha)$  is the  $100(1 - \alpha)$  percentile of a chi-squared distribution with  $m$  degrees of freedom (Tsay, 2005, pp. 26-27).

The second test is the Lagrange multiplier test. The Lagrange multiplier test is equivalent to the  $F$  statistic for testing  $\alpha_i = 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  in the regression

$$\varepsilon_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \dots + \alpha_m \varepsilon_{t-m}^2 + e_t \quad (3.94)$$

for  $t = m + 1, \dots, T$ , where  $e_t$  is the error term,  $m$  is a specified integer, and  $T$  is the sample size (Engle, 1982, p. 999; Lee, 1991, p. 266). The null hypothesis is then

$$H_0: \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_m = 0.$$

Let

$$SSR_0 = \sum_{t=m+1}^T (\varepsilon_t^2 - \bar{w})^2, \quad (3.95)$$

where

$$\bar{w} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \varepsilon_t^2 \quad (3.96)$$

is the mean of  $\varepsilon_t^2$ , and let

$$SSR_1 = \sum_{t=m+1}^T \hat{\varepsilon}_t^2, \quad (3.97)$$

where  $\hat{\varepsilon}_t$  is the least squares residual from the regression in (3.94). Under the null hypothesis we then have that

$$F = \frac{(SSR_0 - SSR_1)/m}{SSR_1/(T - 2m - 1)} \quad (3.98)$$

is asymptotically distributed as a chi-squared distribution with  $m$  degrees of freedom. We reject the null hypothesis if  $F > \chi_m^2(\alpha)$ , where  $\chi_m^2(\alpha)$  is the upper  $100(1 - \alpha)$  percentile of a chi-squared distribution with  $m$  degrees of freedom, or if the p-value of  $F$  is less than  $\alpha$  (Tsay, 2005, pp. 101-102).

### 3.5 Model Selection Criteria

One of the difficulties that is often experienced when fitting models to data is that of choosing an appropriate model. One of the reasons for this difficulty is that there are many different classes of models to choose from (some of which have been discussed in the previous sections) and, within each of those classes, there are a number of choices for the order of the model - for example the choice of  $p$  and  $q$  for the GARCH( $p,q$ ) models. There are many different criteria that can be used to aid in choosing the "best" possible model. However, the two most popular are to use the Akaike information criteria (AIC) or the Bayesian information criteria (BIC). These criteria require the estimation of a number of models and then the AIC and/or BIC values compared among the

estimated models. The model that has the minimum AIC or BIC value is then selected from those models that have been estimated (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008, pp. 211-212). The AIC and BIC are calculated as follows:

$$AIC(k) = \frac{-\ln(L(k))}{n} + \frac{2k}{n} \quad (3.99)$$

$$BIC(k) = \frac{-2\ln(L(k))}{n} + \frac{k \ln(n)}{n}, \quad (3.100)$$

where  $L(k)$  is the maximum likelihood for the model with  $k$  parameters and  $n$  is the size of the sample. The disadvantage to using the AIC or BIC technique for model selection is that many models need to be estimated by maximum likelihood, which can be time consuming and computationally expensive (Box, Jenkins, & Reinsel, 2008, pp. 211-212).

### 3.6 Model Diagnostics

When the ARCH model has been properly specified then the standardized residuals, given by

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_t = \frac{\varepsilon_t}{\sigma_t}, \quad (3.101)$$

form a sequence for independent and identically distributed random variables. The adequacy of the fitted ARCH model can be checked by examining the series  $\{\tilde{\varepsilon}_t\}$ . The Ljung-Box statistics of  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_t$  and  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_t^2$  can be used to check the adequacy of the mean equation and to test the validity of the volatility equation respectively (Francq & Zakoian, 2010, p. 204). The skewness, kurtosis, and QQ-plot of  $\{\tilde{\varepsilon}_t\}$  can be used to check if the distribution assumption is valid (Tsay, 2005, p. 109).

### 3.7 Multivariate ARCH and GARCH Models

When analyzing time series data it may become apparent that two or more series observed jointly are dependent on each other. Increases or decreases in volatility in one series may result in increases or decreases in one or more dependent series. This dependence leads to the extension of the univariate ARCH and GARCH models to the multivariate case. Thus, we have MGARCH models (Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 559).

### 3.7.1 Multivariate ARCH

Let  $y_t = (y_{1t}, y_{2t}, \dots, y_{Kt})'$  be a  $K$ -dimensional zero mean, serially uncorrelated, process. The process might be the residual process of some dynamic model and can be written as

$$y_t = \Sigma_{(t|t-1)}^{\frac{1}{2}} \varepsilon_t, \quad (3.102)$$

where  $\varepsilon_t$  is a  $K$ -dimensional independent and identically distributed white noise,  $\varepsilon_t \sim i.i.d (0, I_K)$ , and  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}$  is the conditional covariance matrix of  $y_t$ , given  $y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}, \dots$ . The matrix,  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , is the symmetric positive definite square root of  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}$ . The conditional distribution of the  $y_t$ 's is of the form

$$y_t | F_{t-1} \sim (0, \Sigma_{(t|t-1)}), \quad (3.103)$$

where  $F_{t-1} = \{y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}, \dots\}$ . We have a multivariate ARCH(q) process if

$$vech(\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}) = \gamma_0 + \Gamma_1 vech(y_{t-1} y_{t-1}') + \dots + \Gamma_q vech(y_{t-q} y_{t-q}'), \quad (3.104)$$

where  $vech$  is the half vectorization operator which stacks the columns of a square matrix from the diagonal downwards into a vector.  $\gamma_0$  is a  $\frac{1}{2}K(K+1)$  dimensional vector of constants and the  $\Gamma_j$ 's are  $\left(\frac{1}{2}K(K+1) \times \frac{1}{2}K(K+1)\right)$  coefficient matrices (Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 563).

The multivariate ARCH model has some technical problems that need to be addressed. One of these problems is that the parameters need to have restrictions imposed to ensure that the conditional covariance matrices  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}$  are all positive definite. A model that ensures this property is the BEKK model. The model is given by

$$\Sigma_{(t|t-1)} = \Gamma_0^* + \Gamma_1^{*'} y_{t-1} y_{t-1}' \Gamma_1^* + \dots + \Gamma_q^{*'} y_{t-1} y_{t-1}' \Gamma_q^* \quad (3.105)$$

where the  $\Gamma_j^{*}$ 's are  $(K \times K)$  matrices. The  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}$  are positive definite if  $\Gamma_0^*$  may be written in product form  $\Gamma_0^* = C_0^{*'} C_0^*$  where  $C_0^*$  is a triangular matrix (Engle & Kroner, 1995; Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 564).

### 3.7.2 Multivariate GARCH

The multivariate GARCH (MGARCH) model is a generalization of the multivariate ARCH model. The MGARCH(p,q) model is given by

$$y_t = \Sigma_{(t|t-1)}^{\frac{1}{2}} \varepsilon_t$$

$$vech(\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}) = \gamma_0 + \sum_{j=1}^q \Gamma_j vech(y_{t-j} y'_{t-j}) + \sum_{j=1}^p G_j vech(\Sigma_{(t-j|t-j-1)}), \quad (3.106)$$

where the  $G_j$ 's are fixed  $(\frac{1}{2}K(K+1) \times \frac{1}{2}K(K+1))$  matrices of coefficients (Gourieroux, 1997, p. 106; Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 564). As with the univariate GARCH model it is possible to express the MGARCH model in the form of a multivariate ARMA (VARMA) form. To express the MGARCH in VARMA form we let  $x_t = vech(y_t y'_t)$  and  $v_t = x_t - vech(\Sigma_{(t|t-1)})$ . By substituting  $x_t - v_t$  for  $vech(\Sigma_{(t|t-1)})$  the MGARCH model can be written as

$$x_t = \gamma_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\max(p,q)} (\Gamma_j + G_j) x_{t-j} + v_t - \sum_{j=1}^p G_j v_{t-j} \quad (3.107)$$

where  $\Gamma_j = 0$  for  $j > q$  and  $G_j = 0$  for  $j > p$  (Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 565).

#### Parameter Estimation

If  $\varepsilon_t \sim N(0, I_K)$  in equation (3.101) so that the conditional distribution of  $y_t$  given  $F_{t-1}$ , is Gaussian then using Bayes' theorem, the joint density function of  $y_1, \dots, y_T$  is

$$f(y_1, \dots, y_T) = f(y_1) f(y_2 | F_1) \dots f(y_T | F_{T-1}). \quad (3.108)$$

Now, if the  $y_t$  are observed values then the log-likelihood function for the MGARCH model given by (3.106) is then

$$\ln l(\delta) = \sum_{t=1}^T \ln l_t(\delta) \quad (3.109)$$

where  $\delta = vec(\gamma_0, \Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_q, G_1, \dots, G_p)$  is the vector of parameters to be estimated and

$$\ln l_t(\delta) = -\frac{K}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}| - \frac{1}{2} y'_t \Sigma_{(t|t-1)}^{-1} y_t \quad (3.110)$$

for  $t = 1, \dots, T$ . The initial values for  $\Sigma_{(t|t-1)}$  are assumed to be known. We then estimate the parameters by maximizing the log-likelihood using numerical methods. For the existence of a unique maximum likelihood estimate it is important that an identified unique parameterization is used. For example, the BEKK form of the model (Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 569).

### Testing for ARCH

Before fitting an MGARCH model it is useful to check if there is a presence of ARCH effect in the residuals. A Lagrange multiplier test can be used and we consider the model

$$vech(y_t y_t') = \beta_0 + B_1 vech(y_{t-1} y_{t-1}') + \dots + B_q vech(y_{t-q} y_{t-q}') + error_t, \quad (3.111)$$

where  $\beta_0$  is a  $\frac{1}{2}K(K+1)$  dimensional matrix, the  $B_j$ 's are  $(\frac{1}{2}K(K+1) \times \frac{1}{2}K(K+1))$  coefficient matrices, and  $t = 1, \dots, T$ . The hypothesis to be tested is then

$$H_0: B_1 = B_2 = \dots = B_q = 0.$$

Let  $\hat{\Sigma}_{vech}$  be the residual covariance estimate based on the model in (3.111) and let  $\hat{\Sigma}_0$  be the corresponding matrix for  $q = 0$ . The test statistic

$$LM_{MGARCH}(q) = \frac{1}{2}TK(K+1) - Ttrace(\hat{\Sigma}_{vech}\hat{\Sigma}_0^{-1}) \quad (3.112)$$

is asymptotically  $\chi^2(\frac{qK^2(K+1)^2}{4})$  distributed under the null hypothesis (Lutkepohl, 2006, p. 576).

We reject the null hypothesis for p-values less than our chosen significance level.



## Chapter Four

### 4 Application of ARCH and GARCH Models

#### 4.1 Introduction

This chapter will focus on the application of the ARCH and GARCH models to the data sets that were introduced in Chapter 2. Hence, this chapter is a demonstration of theory applied to real data.

The GARCH models were fitted using the PROC MODEL procedure which is readily available in SAS software, Version 9.2 of the SAS System for Microsoft Windows. Copyright © 2002-2008 SAS Institute Inc. SAS and all other SAS Institute Inc. product or service names are registered trademarks or trademarks of SAS Institute Inc., Carry, NC, USA. Other software packages that can be used to fit GARCH models include R, GAUSS FANPAC, and EVIEWS just to name a few. We will focus our attention to fitting the GARCH models using SAS software. Code for selected models is available in Appendix B.

#### 4.2 Selecting the Best Model

The selection of the best model was based on the criteria of AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  where the smallest AIC and/or SBC were selected as the best model and the largest  $R^2$  was selected as the best model. Other criteria for model selection were that the iteration procedure that was used to estimate the model parameters had to converge, the parameter estimates should be significant and the sum of the parameters  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, q$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$  should not be larger than 1.

#### 4.3 Fitting the Model

Before fitting the ARCH and GARCH models, the first step is to remove any autocorrelation that is present in the mean. This was achieved by fitting autoregressive models to the various data sets using the number of lags indicated by the ACF and PACF of the return. The plots of the ACF and PACF for the return of the four data sets used can be found in Chapter 2. Once an appropriate autoregressive model has been selected we then proceed to fit the ARCH and GARCH models for the residuals. It should be noted that the ARCH and GARCH models are fitted simultaneously with the autoregressive model.

#### 4.4 Analysis of the Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd Data

The autoregressive model that was used to remove the autocorrelation present in the mean used the order of 8. This was the lag suggested by the ACF and PACF in Figure 5. Once an appropriate autoregressive model has been selected, the next step is to test for any ARCH disturbances using the Q and LM tests for ARCH. The results of the Q and LM tests for ARCH disturbances can be seen in Table 9. The Q and LM tests have highly significant p-values up to order 12 which shows that there is ARCH effect present in the residuals.

Table 9: Anglo Gold Ashanti Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances

Anglo Gold Ashanti Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances				
Order	Q	P-Value	LM	P-Value
1	159.2643	<0.0001	158.1438	<0.0001
2	264.2351	<0.0001	220.6881	<0.0001
3	327.7895	<0.0001	243.2753	<0.0001
4	404.7278	<0.0001	273.8361	<0.0001
5	461.3582	<0.0001	287.6571	<0.0001
6	522.8423	<0.0001	303.3927	<0.0001
7	548.4602	<0.0001	304.1659	<0.0001
8	596.5273	<0.0001	315.3790	<0.0001
9	628.8250	<0.0001	318.5491	<0.0001
10	650.1320	<0.0001	319.0574	<0.0001
11	677.3369	<0.0001	322.5036	<0.0001
12	706.6635	<0.0001	326.1557	<0.0001

After confirming that there is a significant ARCH effect, the next step is to fit the ARCH and GARCH models to the data. To select the order for  $p$  and  $q$  we need to look at the ACF and PACF for the squared residuals from the autoregressive model which can be seen in Figure 25.

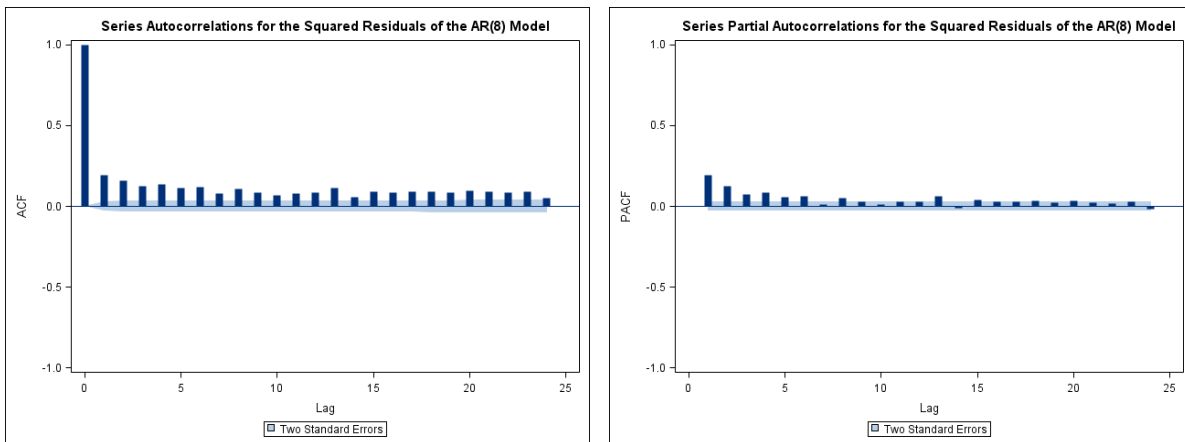


Figure 25: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the Anglo Gold Ashanti AR(8) Model

The ACF shows significant spikes at all lags and the PACF shows significant spikes from lags 1 to 8 and then a significant spike at lag 13. The ACF and PACF suggest that a GARCH( $p,q$ ) model would be appropriate. To investigate this, ARCH( $q$ ) and GARCH( $p,q$ ) models were fitted where  $p$  and  $q$  were allowed to vary from 1 to 13. The orders for  $p$  and  $q$  were also tested using the extensions to the ARCH and GARCH model that were discussed in Chapter 3. The best models based on the AIC, SBC and  $R^2$  criteria, and the additional requirements of having significant parameter estimates, are presented in Table 10. The parameter estimates for the three models were made using  $t$ -distributed errors as this showed an improvement in the selection criteria compared to when normally distributed errors were used.

Table 10: Anglo Gold Ashanti best models based on the three selection criteria

Model	AIC	SBC	$R^2$
GARCH(1,2)	<b>-4.6422</b>	-4.6210	0.0064
GARCH(1,1)	-4.6410	<b>-4.6213</b>	0.0063
ARCH(2)	-4.5838	-4.6035	<b>0.0069</b>

### The ARCH(2) Model

The ARCH(2) model was selected based on the highest  $R^2$  value. This model also met the additional criteria for selection in that the algorithm for parameter estimation converged, the sum  $\alpha_i$  was less than 1 and the parameters were significant. The fit statistics for the ARCH(2) model can be seen in Table 11 and the parameter estimates, along with their standard errors and p-values, can be seen in Table 12. It can be seen that the sum  $\alpha_i$  is approximately 0.1934, which meets the criteria for selection and it can also be seen that the ARCH terms are highly significant with p-values less than 0.0001.

**Table 11: Fit Statistics for the ARCH(2) Model**

<b>AIC</b>	-4.5838
<b>SBC</b>	-4.6035
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0069
<b>SSE</b>	2.8178
<b>MSE</b>	0.0007
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	9650.4420
<b>MAE</b>	0.9576
<b>MAPE</b>	61.6188

Table 12: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the ARCH(2) Model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	P-Value
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0007	0.0003	0.0451
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0552	0.0165	0.0008
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0162	0.0163	0.3214
<b>AR(3)</b>	-0.0144	0.0145	0.3185
<b>AR(4)</b>	0.0166	0.0143	0.2477
<b>AR(5)</b>	0.0018	0.0140	0.8954
<b>AR(6)</b>	-0.0033	0.0140	0.8168
<b>AR(7)</b>	-0.0227	0.0140	0.1062
<b>AR(8)</b>	-0.0315	0.0142	0.0269
$\alpha_0$	0.0003	0.00002	<0.0001
$\alpha_1$	0.1089	0.0177	<0.0001
$\alpha_2$	0.0845	0.0154	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	4.4789	0.3640	<0.0001

### The GARCH(1,1) Model

The GARCH(1,1) model was the one having the smallest SBC value. The additional criteria for selection was that the algorithm for parameter estimation should converge, the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  should be less than 1 and the parameters should be significant. The fit statistics for the GARCH(1,1) model can be found in Table 13 and the parameter estimates along with their standard error and p-values can be seen in Table 14. It can be seen that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is approximately 0.9559 which meets the criteria for selection and it can also be seen that the ARCH and GARCH terms are highly significant with p-values less than 0.001.

Table 13: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(1,1) Model

<b>AIC</b>	-4.6410
<b>SBC</b>	-4.6213
<b>R<sup>2</sup></b>	0.0063
<b>SSE</b>	2.8195
<b>MSE</b>	0.0007
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	9728.9240
<b>MAE</b>	0.9211
<b>MAPE</b>	61.1245

Table 14: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(1,1) Model

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0008	0.0003	0.0180
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0610	0.0155	<0.0001
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0086	0.0163	0.5996
<b>AR(3)</b>	-0.0264	0.0153	0.0841
<b>AR(4)</b>	0.0135	0.0158	0.3927
<b>AR(5)</b>	0.0005	0.0177	0.9797
<b>AR(6)</b>	-0.0096	0.0151	0.5264
<b>AR(7)</b>	-0.0291	0.0148	0.0500
<b>AR(8)</b>	-0.0230	0.0151	0.1289
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.000009	0.000003	0.0052
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0440	0.0088	<0.0001
<b><math>\beta_1</math></b>	0.9119	0.0185	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	5.4294	0.6411	<0.0001

### The GARCH(1,2) Model

The GARCH(1,2) Model was selected based on having the smallest AIC value. The additional criteria for selection were that the algorithm for parameter estimation should converge, the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  should be less than 1 and the parameters should be significant. The fit statistics for the GARCH(1,2) model can be found in Table 15 and the parameter estimates along with their standard errors and p-values can be found in Table 16. It can be seen that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is approximately 0.9719 which meets the criteria for selection and it can also be seen that the ARCH and GARCH terms are significant with  $\alpha_0$  having a p-value of 0.0081,  $\alpha_1$  having a p-value of 0.0004,  $\alpha_2$  having a p-value of 0.0338 and  $\beta_1$  having a p-value less than 0.0001.

**Table 15: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(1,2) Model**

<b>AIC</b>	-4.6422
<b>SBC</b>	-4.6210
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0064
<b>SSE</b>	2.8193
<b>MSE</b>	0.0007
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	9732.3780
<b>MAE</b>	0.9195
<b>MAPE</b>	60.5263

Table 16: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(1,2) Model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	P-Value
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0008	0.0003	0.0169
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0585	0.0160	0.0003
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0079	0.0156	0.6101
<b>AR(3)</b>	-0.0231	0.0154	0.1344
<b>AR(4)</b>	0.0135	0.0150	0.3674
<b>AR(5)</b>	-0.0005	0.0220	0.9811
<b>AR(6)</b>	-0.0081	0.0154	0.5989
<b>AR(7)</b>	-0.0294	0.0147	0.0457
<b>AR(8)</b>	-0.0231	0.0148	0.1191
$\alpha_0$	0.000005	0.000002	0.0081
$\alpha_1$	0.0750	0.0212	0.0004
$\alpha_2$	-0.0446	0.0210	0.0338
$\beta_1$	0.9415	0.0133	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	5.4611	0.6640	<0.0001

From the three models selected, the GARCH(1,2) has the lowest mean absolute percentage error. The parameter estimates also have lower standard errors than the ARCH(2) model and the standard errors are similar to those of the GARCH(1,1) model. Therefore, the GARCH(1,2) model is preferred over the ARCH(2) model and the GARCH(1,1) model. The high value for  $\beta_1$  implies that the conditional variance shows a long persistence of volatility. This would suggest that an IGARCH model may be more appropriate for the series. The IGARCH(1,2) model in this case seems to have a slightly worse fit than the GARCH(1,2) model due to the higher AIC and SBC values. The fit statistics for the IGARCH(1,2) model are presented in Table 17. The IGARCH(1,2) model also showed that the residuals were not white noise and the ACF and PACF of the squared residuals suggested that the model did not adequately account for the correlation among the residuals. Due to the slightly poorer fit of the IGARCH(1,2), the GARCH(1,2) model is preferred for this series.



Table 17: Fit Statistics for the IGARCH(1,2) Model

<b>AIC</b>	-4.6178
<b>SBC</b>	-4.5982
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0068
<b>SSE</b>	2.8182
<b>MSE</b>	0.0007
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	9680.4430
<b>MAE</b>	0.8086
<b>MAPE</b>	54.2345

Finally, to ensure that the GARCH(1,2) model is adequate we look at the ACF and PACF of the residuals and the squared residuals and perform the Q and LM tests for ARCH disturbances to determine if the ARCH effect has been accounted for. The plots of the ACF and PACF of residuals can be seen in Figure 26. These plots show that the model for the mean is adequate.

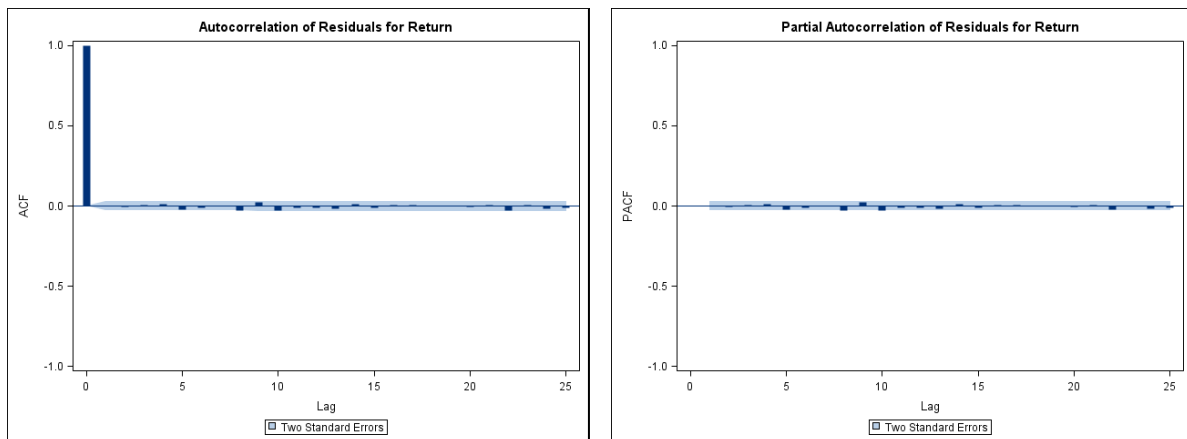
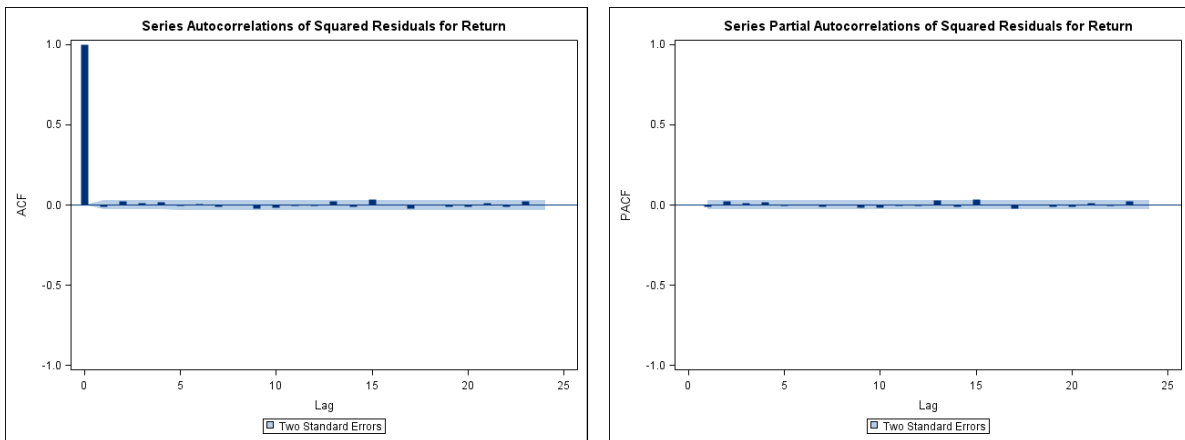


Figure 26: ACF and PACF of Residuals for the GARCH(1,2) Model

The plots of the ACF and PACF of squared residuals can be seen in Figure 27. These plots show that the GARCH(1,2) model adequately accounts for the serial correlation that was present in the residuals.



**Figure 27: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the GARCH(1,2) Model**

The results of the Q and LM test for ARCH disturbances when the GARCH(1,2) model was used can be found in Table 18. These results show that there is no longer any significant ARCH effect.

**Table 18: Anglo Gold Ashanti Testing for ARCH Disturbances after fitting the GARCH(1,2) Model**

<b>Anglo Gold Ashanti Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances After Fitting the GARCH(1,2) Model</b>				
<b>Order</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>P-Value</b>	<b>LM</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>1</b>	0.6121	0.4340	0.6670	0.4141
<b>2</b>	3.1411	0.2079	3.0635	0.2162
<b>3</b>	3.6954	0.2963	3.6317	0.3041
<b>4</b>	5.0413	0.2831	4.8761	0.3002
<b>5</b>	5.2328	0.3881	5.0965	0.4042
<b>6</b>	5.2655	0.5102	5.1030	0.5307
<b>7</b>	5.8483	0.5576	5.7247	0.5722
<b>8</b>	5.8543	0.6636	5.7455	0.6757
<b>9</b>	7.5938	0.5755	7.4335	0.5921
<b>10</b>	9.0038	0.5317	8.9403	0.5378
<b>11</b>	9.2260	0.6010	9.1229	0.6105
<b>12</b>	9.4968	0.6600	9.3390	0.6737

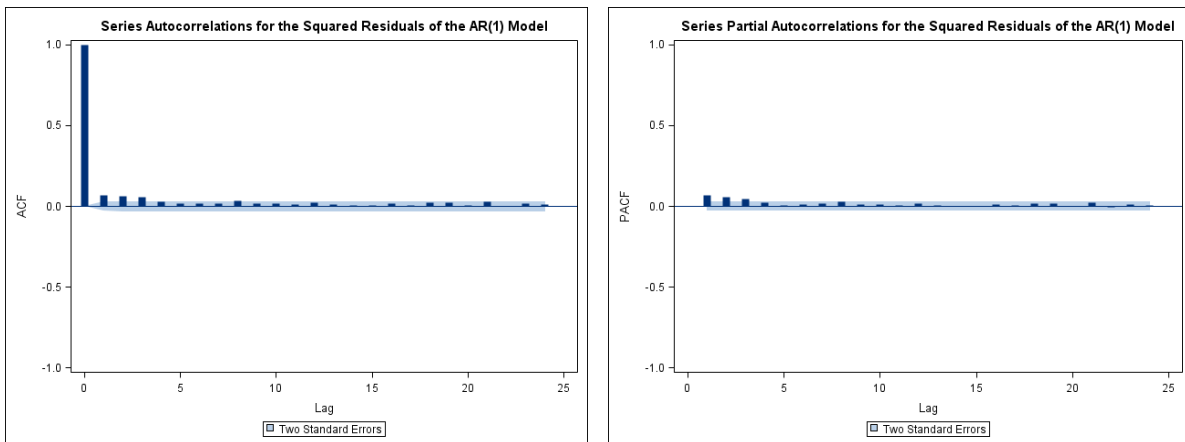
#### 4.5 Analysis of the DRD Gold Ltd Data

To remove the autocorrelation that was present in the mean an autoregressive model was fitted with a lag of 1 which was revealed by the ACF and PACF of the return. The ACF and PACF of the return can be seen in Figure 11. The next step is to test for ARCH disturbances using the Q and LM tests. The results for the Q and LM tests can be seen in Table 19. The results of the test for ARCH disturbances show that there is a presence of a significant ARCH effect with p-values less than 0.0001.

Table 19: DRD Gold Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances

DRD Gold Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances				
Order	Q	P-Value	LM	P-Value
1	19.0408	<0.0001	19.0372	<0.0001
2	34.7043	<0.0001	32.5279	<0.0001
3	47.0399	<0.0001	41.6831	<0.0001
4	51.1761	<0.0001	43.6747	<0.0001
5	52.4679	<0.0001	43.9888	<0.0001
6	53.6468	<0.0001	44.3963	<0.0001
7	55.3334	<0.0001	45.2898	<0.0001
8	59.6821	<0.0001	48.3487	<0.0001
9	61.1163	<0.0001	48.8935	<0.0001
10	62.6868	<0.0001	49.5154	<0.0001
11	63.1498	<0.0001	49.5567	<0.0001
12	64.9216	<0.0001	50.4765	<0.0001

The next step is to fit ARCH and GARCH models to the series. The ACF and PACF of the squared residuals shown in Figure 28 indicate that the orders for  $p$  and  $q$  could range from 1 to 3.



**Figure 28: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the DRD Gold AR(1) Model**

A number of ARCH( $q$ ) and GARCH( $p,q$ ) models were fitted where both  $p$  and  $q$  were allowed to vary between 1 and 3. The extensions for the ARCH and GARCH models discussed in Chapter 3 were also tested. The best models based on the AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  criteria and the additional criteria of having significant parameter estimates are presented in Table 20. These models were fitted using the t-distribution for the errors as this resulted in an improved fit compared to when normally distributed errors were used.

**Table 20: DRD Gold best models based on the three selection criteria**

Model	AIC	SBC	$R^2$
<b>GARCH(3,3)</b>	<b>-3.9007</b>	<b>-3.8855</b>	0.0001
<b>ARCH(3)</b>	-3.8739	-3.8633	<b>0.0002</b>

### The GARCH(3,3) Model

The GARCH(3,3) model was selected based on having the smallest AIC and the smallest SBC. The model also met the additional requirements for selection; these requirements being that the algorithm for parameter estimation should converge, the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  should be less than 1 and the parameters should be significant. The fit statistics for the GARCH(3,3) model can be found in Table 21 and the parameter estimates along with their standard errors and p-values can be seen in Table 22. The estimates of the parameters show that the sum of the  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  terms is

approximately 0.7378 which meets the criteria for models selection and the p-values for the estimates shows significance for all the GARCH terms except for the  $\beta_2$  term, which has a p-value of 0.6452. Having significance for the majority of the parameters satisfies the requirements for model selection.

**Table 21: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(3,3)**

<b>AIC</b>	-3.9007
<b>SBC</b>	-3.8855
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0001
<b>SSE</b>	7.1786
<b>MSE</b>	0.0017
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	8172.1410
<b>MAE</b>	1.1591
<b>MAPE</b>	45.8011

**Table 22: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(3,3) Model**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0013	0.0004	0.0008
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0084	0.0142	0.5552
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.00003	0.00001	0.0091
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0630	0.0088	<0.0001
<b><math>\alpha_2</math></b>	0.0356	0.0069	<0.0001
<b><math>\alpha_3</math></b>	0.0547	0.0080	<0.0001
<b><math>\beta_1</math></b>	-0.1311	0.0197	<0.0001
<b><math>\beta_2</math></b>	-0.0132	0.0286	0.6452
<b><math>\beta_3</math></b>	0.7288	0.0336	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	2.4856	0.1397	<0.0001

### The ARCH(3) Model

The ARCH(3) model was selected based on having the largest  $R^2$  value. The algorithm for parameter estimation converged, the sum of the  $\alpha_i$  was less than 1 and the parameters were significant which meets the additional criteria for model selection. The fit statistics for the ARCH(3) model can be seen in Table 23 and the parameter estimates, along with their standard errors and p-values, are given in Table 24. The estimates for the parameters shows that the sum of the  $\alpha_i$  is approximately 0.2539, which meets the criteria for model selection. The parameters are also all significant with p-values  $<0.0001$ .

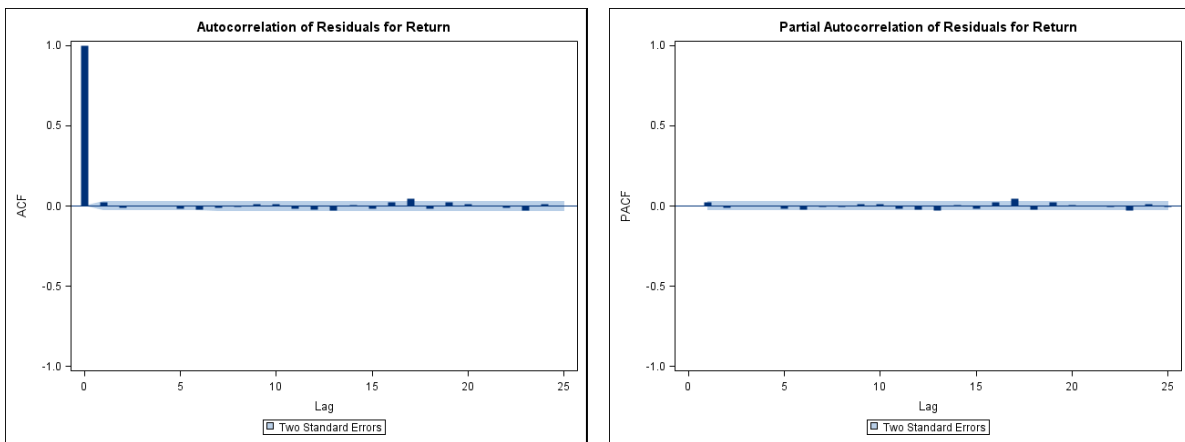
**Table 23: Fit Statistics for the ARCH(3) Model**

<b>AIC</b>	-3.8739
<b>SBC</b>	-3.8633
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0002
<b>SSE</b>	7.1782
<b>MSE</b>	0.0017
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	8113.0450
<b>MAE</b>	1.1379
<b>MAPE</b>	44.5570

**Table 24: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the ARCH(3) Model**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0015	0.0004	0.0001
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0145	0.0151	0.3379
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.0003	0.00002	$<0.0001$
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0927	0.0148	$<0.0001$
<b><math>\alpha_2</math></b>	0.0597	0.0118	$<0.0001$
<b><math>\alpha_3</math></b>	0.1015	0.0155	$<0.0001$
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	2.5498	0.1379	$<0.0001$

The GARCH(3,3) model and the ARCH(3) model both have goodness of fit statistics that are very similar, thereby making a choice between the two models difficult. Both models showed that they have adequately accounted for the presence of any ARCH effect based upon the Q and LM tests for ARCH effect. When performing diagnostic checks using the ACF and PACF for residuals and squared residuals, the GARCH(3,3) model had slightly better results than the ARCH(3) model. Therefore, the GARCH(3,3) model is preferred for this data. The GARCH(3,3) model shows a fairly high value for  $\beta_3$  which suggests that there is some persistence in the volatility. The plots of the ACF and PACF of residuals for the GARCH(3,3) model can be seen in Figure 29. These plots show that the model for the mean is adequate.



**Figure 29: ACF and PACF of Residuals for the GARCH(3,3) Model**

The plots of the ACF and PACF of squared residuals can be seen in Figure 30. These plots show that the GARCH(3,3) model has removed the autocorrelation that was present in the residuals.

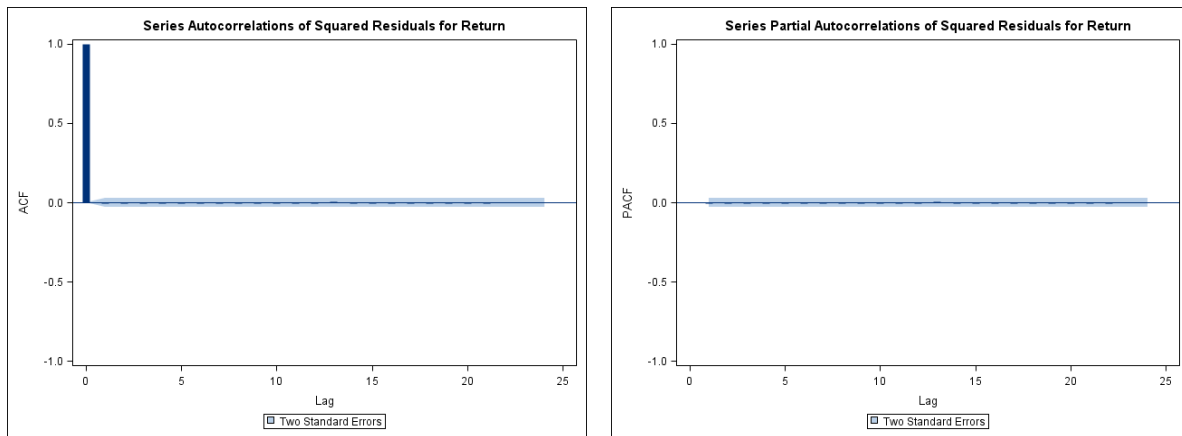


Figure 30: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the GARCH(3,3) Model

Finally, the Q and LM tests for ARCH disturbances is performed to confirm that the model has removed the effect of ARCH. The results are shown in Table 25, where it is seen that the ARCH effect has been removed.

Table 25: DRD Gold Testing for ARCH Disturbances after fitting the GARCH(3,3) Model

DRD Gold Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances After Fitting the GARCH(3,3) Model				
Order	Q	P-Value	LM	P-Value
1	0.0967	0.7558	0.0966	0.7560
2	0.1900	0.9094	0.1905	0.9091
3	0.2846	0.9629	0.2865	0.9625
4	0.3634	0.9854	0.3673	0.9851
5	0.4072	0.9951	0.4131	0.9950
6	0.4965	0.9979	0.5054	0.9978
7	0.6076	0.9989	0.6206	0.9989
8	0.6623	0.9996	0.6790	0.9996
9	0.7628	0.9998	0.7849	0.9998
10	0.8049	0.9999	0.8312	0.9999
11	0.8479	1.0000	0.8793	1.0000
12	0.8993	1.0000	0.9365	1.0000



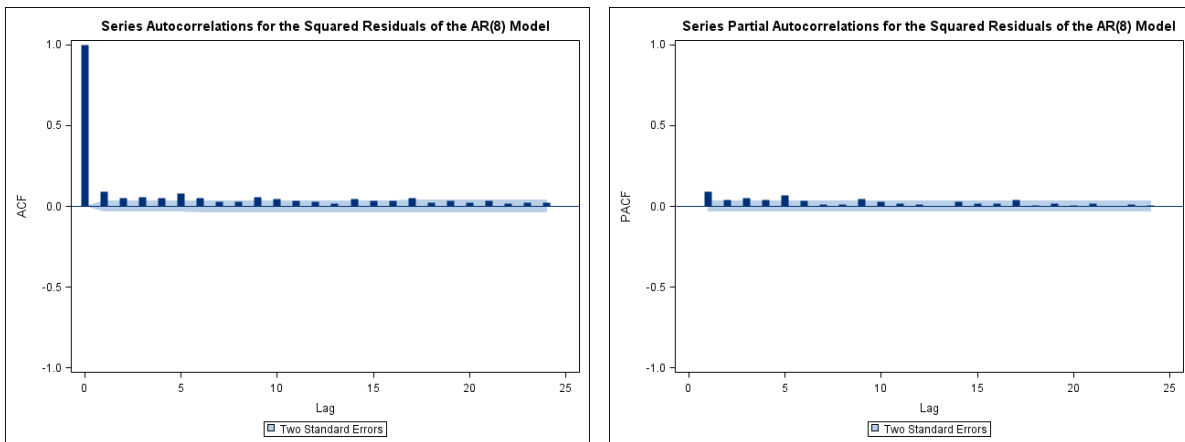
#### 4.6 Analysis of the Gold Fields Ltd Data

To remove the autocorrelation that was present in the mean, autoregressive model of order 8 was fitted to the return series. The next step is to test for ARCH disturbances using the Q and LM tests. The results for the tests are displayed in Table 26, where it can be seen that there is a significant ARCH effect with p-values less than 0.0001.

Table 26: Gold Fields Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances

Gold Fields Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances				
Order	Q	P-Value	LM	P-Value
1	26.4052	<0.0001	26.3904	<0.0001
2	33.8876	<0.0001	31.5257	<0.0001
3	44.7877	<0.0001	39.6443	<0.0001
4	52.8998	<0.0001	44.4776	<0.0001
5	73.4160	<0.0001	59.3077	<0.0001
6	81.6116	<0.0001	62.5790	<0.0001
7	84.5293	<0.0001	63.1511	<0.0001
8	86.9437	<0.0001	63.5969	<0.0001
9	97.1018	<0.0001	69.2363	<0.0001
10	104.1206	<0.0001	71.6462	<0.0001
11	108.2553	<0.0001	72.6694	<0.0001
12	111.2771	<0.0001	73.2931	<0.0001

We next need to select the order for  $p$  and  $q$  for the GARCH model. The ACF and PACF of the squared residuals shown in Figure 31 from the AR(8) model indicate that the order for  $p$  and  $q$  could vary from 1 to 5.



**Figure 31: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the Gold Fields AR(8) Model**

ARCH( $q$ ) and GARCH( $p,q$ ) models were fitted where  $p$  and  $q$  were allowed to vary between 1 and 5. The extensions for the GARCH model discussed in Chapter 3 were also tested. The best model based on the AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  criteria and the additional requirements of having significant parameter estimates are presented in Table 27. For the Gold Fields data, the GARCH(1,2) model had the best AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  values. The model was fitted simultaneously with the autoregressive model and the t-distribution was used for the errors as this provided better results than when the normal distribution was used.

**Table 27: Gold Fields best models based on the three selection criteria**

Model	AIC	SBC	$R^2$
<b>GARCH(1,2)</b>	-4.1958	-4.1687	0.0058

### The GARCH(1,2) Model

The GARCH(1,2) model met the additional criteria for selection in that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  was less than 1, the algorithm for parameter estimation converged and the parameter estimates were significant. The fit statistics for the GARCH(1,2) model can be seen in Table 28 and the parameter estimates with standard errors and p-values can be found in Table 29. The parameter estimates for the GARCH(1,2) model are all significant with p-values less than 0.05. It is also noted that the

sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is approximately 0.9744, which meets the criteria for selection. The high value for  $\beta_1$  suggests that there is persistence in the volatility for the Gold Fields data.

**Table 28: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(1,2) Model**

<b>AIC</b>	-4.1958
<b>SBC</b>	-4.1687
<b>R<sup>2</sup></b>	0.0058
<b>SSE</b>	3.6476
<b>MSE</b>	0.0012
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	6563.7130
<b>MAE</b>	0.9113
<b>MAPE</b>	45.8793

**Table 29: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(1,2) Model**

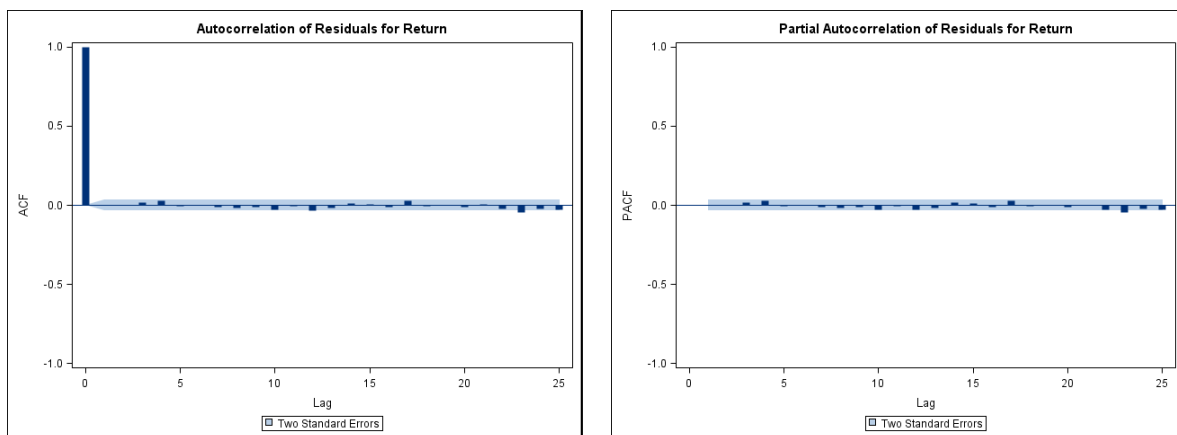
<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0004	0.0005	0.4329
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0482	0.0188	0.0103
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0287	0.0176	0.1043
<b>AR(3)</b>	-0.0045	0.0221	0.8402
<b>AR(4)</b>	0.0118	0.0174	0.4988
<b>AR(5)</b>	0.0048	0.0188	0.7966
<b>AR(6)</b>	0.0098	0.0180	0.5851
<b>AR(7)</b>	-0.0342	0.0175	0.0504
<b>AR(8)</b>	-0.0091	0.0200	0.6523
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.00001	0.000002	0.0056
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0732	0.0192	0.0001
<b><math>\alpha_2</math></b>	-0.0407	0.0198	0.0401
<b><math>\beta_1</math></b>	0.9419	0.0120	<.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	5.9644	0.9277	<.0001

From the parameter estimates the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is close to 1, which suggests that an IGARCH(1,2) model might be more appropriate. The IGARCH(1,2) model was fitted to investigate this and it is seen that the model has a slightly poorer fit than the GARCH(1,2) model. This is shown by the AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  values. Therefore, the IGARCH(1,2) model will not be considered. The goodness of fit statistics for the IGARCH(1,2) model can be found in Table 30.

**Table 30: Fit Statistics for the IGARCH(1,2) Model**

<b>AIC</b>	-4.1719
<b>SBC</b>	-4.1467
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0057
<b>SSE</b>	3.6479
<b>MSE</b>	0.0012
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	6525.2700
<b>MAE</b>	0.8010
<b>MAPE</b>	41.3779

Finally, to ensure that the GARCH(1,2) model is appropriate, we look at the ACF and PACF of the residuals and squared residuals. The plots of the ACF and PACF for the residuals can be seen in Figure 32. The two plots show that the model for the mean is satisfactory.



**Figure 32: ACF and PACF of Residuals for the GARCH(1,2) Model**

The plots of the ACF and PACF of the squared residuals can be seen in Figure 33. The two plots show that the GARCH(1,2) model has removed the serial correlation that was present and, therefore, this model is adequate. This is confirmed by the Q and LM tests which show that there is no longer any ARCH effect. The results for the tests can be found in Table 31.

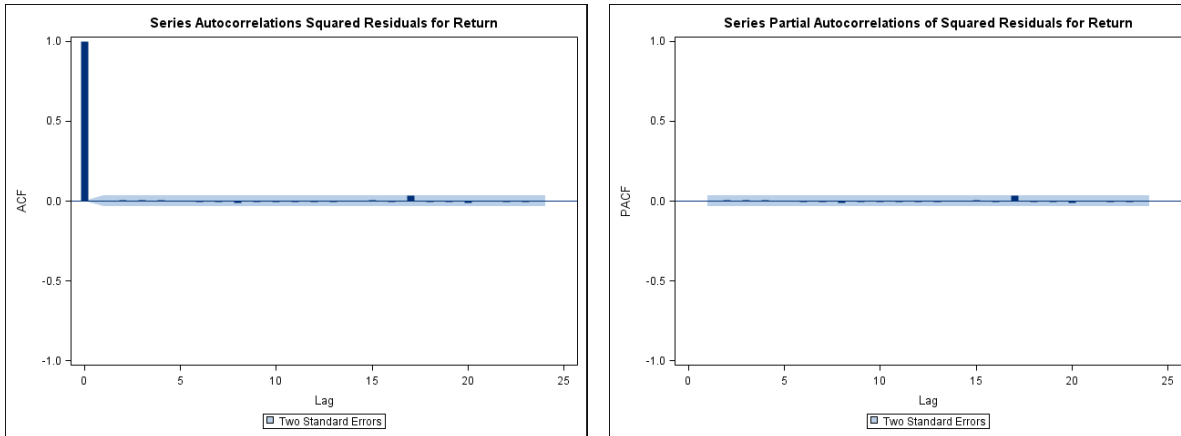


Figure 33: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the GARCH(1,2) Model

Table 31: Gold Fields Testing for ARCH Disturbances after fitting the GARCH(1,2) Model

Gold Fields Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances After Fitting the GARCH(1,2) Model				
Order	Q	P-Value	LM	P-Value
1	0.0006	0.9802	0.0006	0.9808
2	0.1074	0.9477	0.1060	0.9484
3	0.1884	0.9794	0.1845	0.9801
4	0.2618	0.9921	0.2544	0.9926
5	0.2763	0.9981	0.2706	0.9982
6	0.3434	0.9993	0.3415	0.9993
7	0.4337	0.9997	0.4337	0.9997
8	0.7099	0.9995	0.7075	0.9995
9	0.8317	0.9997	0.8244	0.9997
10	0.9712	0.9998	0.9549	0.9999
11	1.1167	0.9999	1.0909	0.9999
12	1.2341	1.0000	1.2000	1.0000

#### 4.7 Analysis of the Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd Data

The ACF and PACF of the return series pointed towards the fact that a lag of 2 be used for the autoregressive model to remove the autocorrelation present in the mean. The next step is to test for ARCH disturbances using the Q and LM tests. The results of the test can be seen in Table 32 where the p-values show that there is a significant ARCH effect.

**Table 32: Harmony Gold Mining Company Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances**

<b>Harmony Gold Mining Company Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances</b>				
<b>Order</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>P-Value</b>	<b>LM</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>1</b>	164.2102	<0.0001	163.6975	<0.0001
<b>2</b>	211.4164	<0.0001	183.1611	<0.0001
<b>3</b>	240.2676	<0.0001	193.9065	<0.0001
<b>4</b>	259.5541	<0.0001	199.6437	<0.0001
<b>5</b>	288.2871	<0.0001	212.2479	<0.0001
<b>6</b>	315.9061	<0.0001	221.2664	<0.0001
<b>7</b>	349.1310	<0.0001	232.7901	<0.0001
<b>8</b>	371.9450	<0.0001	237.0479	<0.0001
<b>9</b>	394.2524	<0.0001	241.9868	<0.0001
<b>10</b>	405.9873	<0.0001	242.6749	<0.0001
<b>11</b>	417.5543	<0.0001	244.1003	<0.0001
<b>12</b>	443.6512	<0.0001	252.7311	<0.0001

We next select the orders for  $p$  and  $q$  for the ARCH( $q$ ) and GARCH( $p,q$ ) models. The ACF and PACF of the squared residuals from the AR(2) model, seen in Figure 34, suggested that orders from 1 to 7 might be useful.

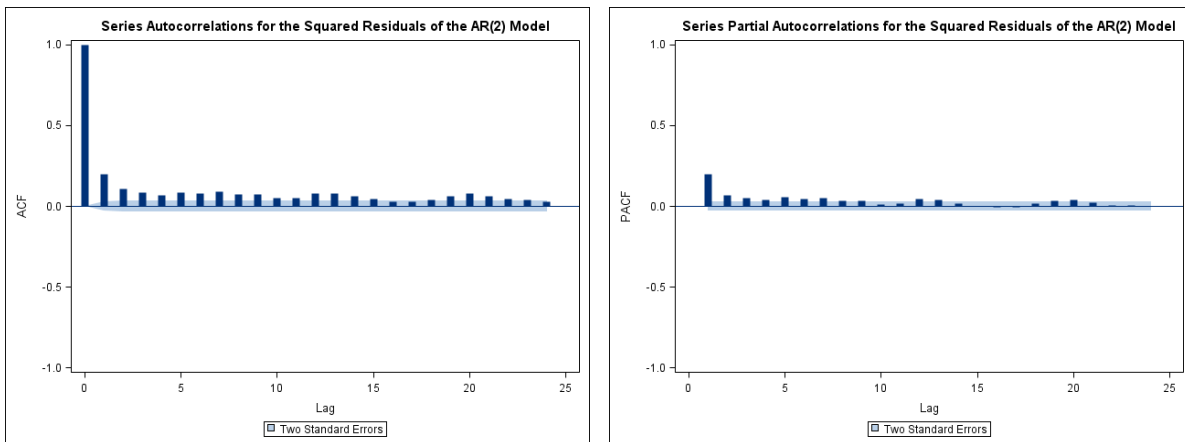


Figure 34: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the Harmony Gold Mining Company AR(2) Model

The best models based on the AIC, SBC, and  $R^2$  criteria, along with the additional requirements of having significant parameter estimates, can be seen in Table 33. The parameter estimates for the two models presented were fitted using the t-distribution for the errors, as this provided better results than models fitted with the normal distribution.

Table 33: Harmony Gold Mining Company best models based on the three selection criteria

Model	AIC	SBC	$R^2$
GARCH(2,1)	-4.2889	<b>-4.2768</b>	0.0060
GARCH(1,4)	<b>-4.2916</b>	-4.2765	0.0060

### The GARCH(2,1) Model

The GARCH(2,1) model was selected based on having the best SBC value. The model also met the additional requirements in that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  was less than 1, the parameter estimates were significant and the algorithm for the estimation of the parameters converged. The fit statistics for the GARCH(2,1) model can be found in Table 34 and the parameter estimates, along with their standard errors and p-values, can be seen in Table 35. It can be seen that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is approximately 0.9227, which meets the criteria for selection and, in addition the parameters for the GARCH model, are all significant with p-values less than 0.01.

Table 34: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(2,1) Model

<b>AIC</b>	-4.2889
<b>SBC</b>	-4.2768
<b><math>R^2</math></b>	0.0060
<b>SSE</b>	4.2810
<b>MSE</b>	0.0010
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	8986.8970
<b>MAE</b>	0.9842
<b>MAPE</b>	52.0703

Table 35: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(2,1) Model

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0008	0.0004	0.0297
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0637	0.0152	<0.0001
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0109	0.0141	0.4406
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.00001	0.000004	0.0064
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0692	0.0102	<0.0001
<b><math>\beta_1</math></b>	0.1728	0.0652	0.0081
<b><math>\beta_2</math></b>	0.6807	0.0669	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	3.7923	0.2696	<0.0001

### The GARCH(1,4) Model

The GARCH(1,4) model was selected based on having the best AIC value. The additional requirements of having convergence of the algorithm for parameter estimations, significant parameter estimates and the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  being less than 1 were also met. The fit statistics for the GARCH(1,4) can be seen in Table 36 and the parameter estimates, along with their standard errors and p-values, can be found in Table 37. The parameter estimates for  $\alpha_0$  is not significant with a p-value of 0.0724. The remaining parameter estimates for the GARCH(1,4) model are



significant with p-values less than 0.05. The additional criteria for selection has also been met in that the sum of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_j$  is approximately 0.9782.

**Table 36: Fit Statistics for the GARCH(1,4) Model**

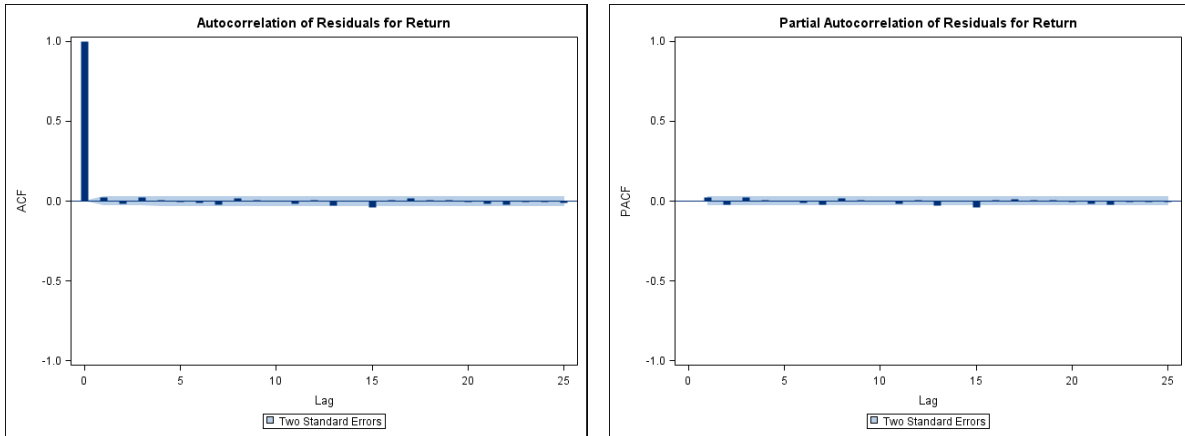
<b>AIC</b>	-4.2916
<b>SBC</b>	-4.2765
<b>R<sup>2</sup></b>	0.0060
<b>SSE</b>	4.2811
<b>MSE</b>	0.0010
<b>Log Likelihood</b>	8994.4650
<b>MAE</b>	0.9805
<b>MAPE</b>	51.8924

**Table 37: Parameter Estimates with Standard Errors and p-values for the GARCH(1,4) Model**

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Standard Error</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Intercept</b>	-0.0008	0.0004	0.0384
<b>AR(1)</b>	0.0631	0.0155	<0.0001
<b>AR(2)</b>	-0.0096	0.0152	0.5263
<b><math>\alpha_0</math></b>	0.000002	0.000001	0.0724
<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	0.0900	0.0176	<0.0001
<b><math>\alpha_2</math></b>	-0.0624	0.0227	0.0060
<b><math>\alpha_3</math></b>	0.0449	0.0204	0.0281
<b><math>\alpha_4</math></b>	-0.0506	0.0157	0.0013
<b><math>\beta_1</math></b>	0.9563	0.0090	<0.0001
<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	3.8255	0.2980	<0.0001

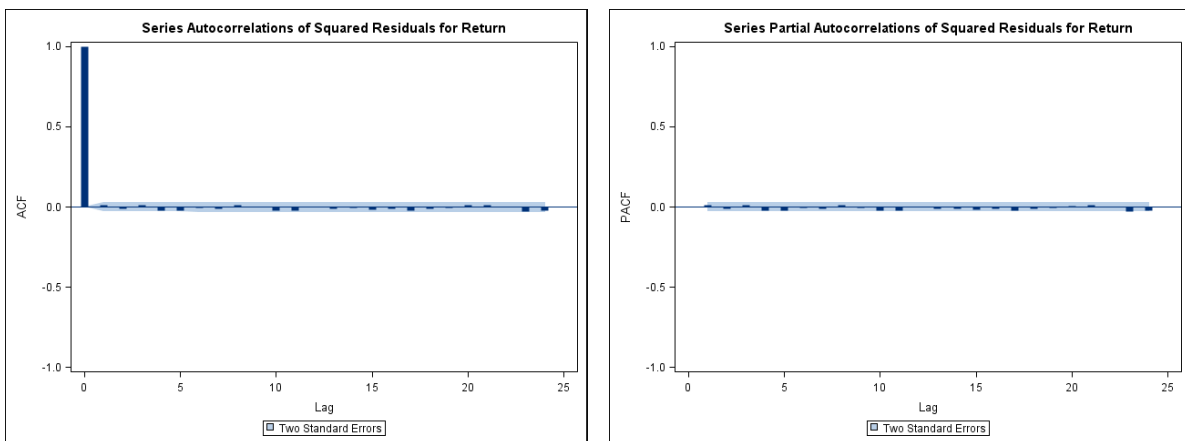
Both the GARCH(2,1) and the GARCH(1,4) model have similar MAPE and MAE values and both have the same  $R^2$  value. Therefore, in choosing the final model the more parsimonious model is selected. Therefore, the GARCH(2,1) model is preferred. The parameter estimate for  $\beta_2$  is

relatively large which shows that there is some persistence in the volatility for the Harmony data. To ensure that the model is adequate, we look at the ACF and PACF of the residuals and the squared residuals. The ACF and PACF of the residuals can be seen in Figure 35. The plots show that the autoregressive model has removed any correlation present in the mean.



**Figure 35: ACF and PACF of Residuals for the GARCH(2,1) Model**

The plots of the ACF and PACF of the squared residuals can be seen in Figure 36. The plots show that the GARCH(2,1) has been successful in removing the serial correlation present in the residuals.



**Figure 36: ACF and PACF of Squared Residuals for the GARCH(2,1) Model**

As a final test the Q and LM tests for ARCH effect are performed and it is shown that there is no remaining ARCH effect. Therefore, the GARCH(2,1) model was useful in accounting for the presence of ARCH effect. The results for the Q and LM tests are displayed in Table 38.

**Table 38: Harmony Gold Mining Company Testing for ARCH Disturbances after fitting the GARCH(2,1) Model**

<b>Harmony Gold Mining Company Q and LM Tests for ARCH Disturbances</b>				
<b>Order</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>P-Value</b>	<b>LM</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>1</b>	0.6834	0.4084	0.6709	0.4127
<b>2</b>	1.0047	0.6051	1.0093	0.6037
<b>3</b>	1.4901	0.6846	1.5110	0.6797
<b>4</b>	3.2648	0.5145	3.3461	0.5017
<b>5</b>	5.9307	0.3130	5.8506	0.3210
<b>6</b>	5.9792	0.4255	5.8932	0.4353
<b>7</b>	6.4816	0.4848	6.3827	0.4958
<b>8</b>	7.2526	0.5096	7.1954	0.5157
<b>9</b>	7.2671	0.6093	7.2412	0.6120
<b>10</b>	9.2587	0.5077	9.2492	0.5086
<b>11</b>	11.2453	0.4229	11.2817	0.4200
<b>12</b>	11.2578	0.5070	11.3005	0.5034

## Chapter Five

### 5 Stochastic Volatility Models

An alternative family of models to the ARCH/GARCH family of models for modeling the volatility of a financial time series are the Stochastic Volatility models. The difference between the ARCH/GARCH models and the Stochastic Volatility models is that the ARCH models are observation driven, whereas the Stochastic Volatility models are parameter driven. Stochastic volatility models model the conditional variance as an unobserved component that follows some underlying latent stochastic process (Mahieu & Schotman, 1998, p. 333). The conditional variance is modeled by introducing an error or innovation term to the conditional variance equation of  $\varepsilon_t$ . The resulting model is called a Stochastic Volatility model. Despite having some theoretical advantages, Stochastic Volatility models have not been as widely used as the ARCH/GARCH models. This is mainly due to the fact that, unlike the ARCH/GARCH models, the likelihood is complicated and often difficult to evaluate (Shimada & Tsukuda, 2005, p. 3).

#### 5.1 The Stochastic Volatility Model

A Stochastic Volatility model is defined as

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (5.1)$$

$$(1 - \alpha_1 B - \dots - \alpha_m B^m) \ln(\sigma_t^2) = \alpha_0 + v_t, \quad (5.2)$$

where the  $\eta_t$  are *iid*  $N(0,1)$ , the  $v_t$  are *iid*  $N(0, \sigma_v^2)$ ,  $\{\eta_t\}$  and  $\{v_t\}$  are independent,  $\alpha_0$  is a constant, and all the zeros of the polynomial  $1 - \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i B^i$  are greater than 1 in modulus (Tsay, 2005, p. 134).

The addition of the innovation  $v_t$  increases the flexibility of the model in describing the evolution of the volatility but, at the same time, increases the difficulty in estimating model parameters. This difficulty is due to the fact that for each shock  $\varepsilon_t$ , the model makes use of two innovations,  $\eta_t$  and  $v_t$ . Estimating Stochastic Volatility models is done using a quasi-likelihood method with results from a state-space model together with the use of the Kalman filter (Tsay, 2005, p. 134). Monte

Carlo methods can also be used to estimate Stochastic Volatility models. This dissertation will focus on the quasi-likelihood method.

## 5.2 State-Space Models

State-space models offer an approach to time series analysis that can simplify maximum likelihood estimation and the handling of missing data (Tsay, 2005, p. 490). The general form of the linear state-space model is given by

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \Phi \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \mathbf{w}_t \quad (5.3)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = A_t \mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{v}_t. \quad (5.4)$$

Equation (5.3) is known as the state equation. The state equation is used to generate  $x_{ti}$  from the previous states  $x_{t-1,j}$ , where  $j = 1, \dots, p$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$  and  $t = 1, \dots, n$ . It is assumed that the  $\mathbf{w}_t$  are  $p \times 1$  independent and identically distributed normal vectors with a mean of the zero vector and covariance matrix  $Q$ , whilst  $\Phi$  is a  $p \times p$  transition matrix. Equation (5.4) is known as the observation equation. The observation equation is needed because it is not possible to observe the state vector  $\mathbf{x}_t$  directly. The observation equation gives a linear transformation of the state vector  $\mathbf{x}_t$  with added noise.  $A_t$  is known as the observation matrix and it has dimension  $q \times p$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_t$  is a vector of observations which has dimension  $q \times 1$ .  $\mathbf{v}_t$  is assumed to be Gaussian white noise with a  $q \times q$  covariance matrix  $R$ . When using state-space models it is generally assumed that the process starts with a vector  $\mathbf{x}_0$  that is normal with mean  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_0$  and  $p \times p$  covariance matrix  $\Sigma_0$  (Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 306).

We make inference about the state  $\mathbf{x}_t$  from the data  $Y_s = \{y_1, \dots, y_s\}$  and the model. Three types of inference that are commonly used are filtering, prediction and smoothing. Filtering means to update the state variable  $\mathbf{x}_t$  given all the information at time  $t$ . Prediction means to forecast the state variable, that is, forecast  $\mathbf{x}_{t+h}$  for  $h > 0$  given all the information at time  $t$ , where  $t$  is the forecast origin. Smoothing means to estimate the state variable  $\mathbf{x}_t$  given the information available at time  $T$  where  $T > t$  (Tsay, 2005, pp. 493-494).

We will use the following definitions for the derivations of the Kalman Filter and Kalman Smoother:

$$x_t^s = E(x_t|Y_s) \quad (5.5)$$

and

$$P_{t_1, t_2}^s = E \left\{ (x_{t_1} - x_{t_1}^s)(x_{t_2} - x_{t_2}^s)' \right\}, \quad (5.6)$$

respectively.

When  $t_1 = t_2$ , then  $P_{t_1, t_2}^s$  will be written as  $P_t^s$ . The derivation of the Kalman filter and Kalman smoother relies on the assumption of normality. This will also mean that equation (5.6) is the conditional error covariance given by

$$P_{t_1, t_2}^s = E \left\{ (x_{t_1} - x_{t_1}^s)(x_{t_2} - x_{t_2}^s)' | Y_s \right\}.$$

It should be noted that the covariance matrix between  $(x_t - x_t^s)$  and  $Y_s$  is zero for any  $t$  and  $s$ . Due to the assumption of normality this implies that  $(x_t - x_t^s)$  and  $Y_s$  are independent (Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, p. 330).

### 5.3 The Kalman Filter

The purpose of the Kalman filter is to update the state variable recursively as new data becomes available. The Kalman filter is used to update the filter from  $x_{t-1}^{t-1}$  to  $x_t^t$  when a new  $y_t$  is observed. The Kalman filter is derived as follows.

From equation (5.5) and using (5.3) we have

$$x_t^{t-1} = E(x_t|Y_{t-1}) = E(\Phi x_{t-1} + w_t|Y_{t-1}) = \Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1} \quad (5.7)$$

and from (5.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(x_t|Y_{t-1}) &= P_t^{t-1} = E\{(x_t - x_t^{t-1})(x_t - x_t^{t-1})'\} \\ &= E\{[\Phi(x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^{t-1}) + w_t][\Phi(x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^{t-1}) + w_t]'\} \\ &= \Phi P_{t-1}^{t-1} \Phi' + Q. \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

We next define the innovations as

$$\epsilon_t = y_t - E(y_t|Y_{t-1}) = y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1}, \quad (5.9)$$

for  $t = 1, \dots, n$ .

Now,

$$E(\epsilon_t) = 0 \quad (5.10)$$

and

$$\Sigma_t = \text{var}(\epsilon_t) = \text{var}[A_t(x_t - x_t^{t-1}) + v_t] = A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R. \quad (5.11)$$

We also have that  $E(\epsilon_t y_s') = 0$  for  $s = 1, \dots, t-1$ . This implies that the innovations are independent of the past observations because the innovations follow a Gaussian process (Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, pp. 313-314). The covariance between  $x_t$  and  $\epsilon_t$  conditional on  $Y_{t-1}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(x_t, \epsilon_t | Y_{t-1}) &= \text{cov}(x_t, y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1} | Y_{t-1}) \\ &= \text{cov}(x_t - x_t^{t-1}, y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1} | Y_{t-1}) \\ &= \text{cov}[x_t - x_t^{t-1}, A_t(x_t - x_t^{t-1}) + v_t] \\ &= P_t^{t-1} A_t'. \end{aligned} \quad (5.12)$$

The joint distribution of  $x_t$  and  $\epsilon_t$  conditional on  $Y_{t-1}$  is normal

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ \epsilon_t \end{pmatrix} | Y_{t-1} \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} x_t^{t-1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} P_t^{t-1} & P_t^{t-1} A_t' \\ A_t P_t^{t-1} & \Sigma_t \end{bmatrix} \right). \quad (5.13)$$

We can now rewrite  $x_t^t$  in the following way using Result 1 in Appendix A:

$$x_t^t = E(x_t | y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}, y_t) = E(x_t | Y_{t-1}, \epsilon_t) = x_t^{t-1} + K_t \epsilon_t \quad (5.14)$$

where

$$K_t = P_t^{t-1} A_t' \Sigma_t^{-1} = P_t^{t-1} A_t' (A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R)^{-1}. \quad (5.15)$$

Using Result 1 in Appendix A we can calculate  $P_t^t$  as

$$P_t^t = \text{cov}(x_t | Y_{t-1}, \epsilon_t) = P_t^{t-1} - P_t^{t-1} A_t' \Sigma_t^{-1} A_t P_t^{t-1} \quad (5.16)$$

(Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, pp. 331-332).

For the state space model given by equations (5.3) and (5.4) using the initial conditions  $x_0^0 = \mu$  and  $P_0^0 = \Sigma_0$ , for  $t = 1, \dots, n$  the Kalman filtering algorithm is given by

$$x_t^{t-1} = \Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1}, \quad (5.17)$$

$$P_t^{t-1} = \Phi P_{t-1}^{t-1} \Phi' + Q, \quad (5.18)$$

with

$$x_t^t = x_t^{t-1} + K_t (y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1}), \quad (5.19)$$

$$P_t^t = (I - K_t A_t) P_t^{t-1}, \quad (5.20)$$

where

$$K_t = P_t^{t-1} A_t' (A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R)^{-1}. \quad (5.21)$$

$K_t$  is known as the Kalman gain. Equations (5.17) and (5.18) are used for prediction when  $t > n$  with  $x_n^n$  and  $P_n^n$  as initial conditions (Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 313).



### 5.4 The Kalman Smoother

The purpose of smoothing is to estimate the state variable  $x_t$  based on all the information available. That is to estimate the state based on the sample  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ , where  $t \leq n$  (Tsay, 2005, p. 526). To derive the Kalman smoother we first define

$$Y_{t-1} = \{y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}\} \quad (5.22)$$

and

$$\eta_t = \{v_t, \dots, v_n, w_{t+1}, \dots, w_n\}, \quad (5.23)$$

where  $Y_0$  is an empty set and we let

$$q_{t-1} = E\{x_{t-1} | Y_{t-1}, x_t - x_t^{t-1}, \eta_t\} \quad (5.24)$$

for  $1 \leq t \leq n$ .

Now, since  $Y_{t-1}$ ,  $\{x_t - x_t^{t-1}\}$ , and  $\eta_t$  are mutually independent, and  $x_{t-1}$  and  $\eta_t$  are independent, we can use Result 1 in Appendix A to get

$$q_{t-1} = x_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}(x_t - x_t^{t-1}), \quad (5.25)$$

where

$$J_{t-1} = \text{cov}(x_{t-1}, x_t - x_t^{t-1})[P_t^{t-1}]^{-1} = P_{t-1}^{t-1} \Phi' [P_t^{t-1}]^{-1}. \quad (5.26)$$

We next have that

$$x_{t-1}^n = E\{x_{t-1} | Y_n\} = E\{q_{t-1} | Y_n = x_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}(x_t^n - x_t^{t-1})\} \quad (5.27)$$

because  $Y_{t-1}$ ,  $x_t - x_t^{t-1}$ , and  $\eta_t$  lead to  $Y_n = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ .

We then obtain the error covariance,  $P_{t-1}^n$ , in the following way. Using equation (5.27) we have

$$x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^n = x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^{t-1} - J_{t-1}(x_t^n - \Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1}) \quad (5.28)$$

$$x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^n = x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^{t-1} - J_{t-1}x_t^n + J_{t-1}\Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1} \quad (5.29)$$

$$x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^n + J_{t-1}x_t^n = x_{t-1} - x_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}\Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1}. \quad (5.30)$$

Next, we multiply both sides of equation (5.30) by the transpose of itself and then take the expectation to get

$$P_{t-1}^n + J_{t-1}E(x_t^n x_t^{n'})J_{t-1}' = P_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}\Phi E(x_{t-1}^{t-1} x_{t-1}^{t-1}')\Phi'J_{t-1}', \quad (5.31)$$

because the cross-product terms are zero. Now,

$$E(x_t^n x_t^{n'}) = E(x_t x_t') - P_t^n = \Phi E(x_{t-1} x_{t-1}')\Phi' + Q - P_t^n, \quad (5.32)$$

and

$$E(x_{t-1}^{t-1} x_{t-1}^{t-1}') = E(x_{t-1} x_{t-1}') - P_{t-1}^{t-1}. \quad (5.33)$$

So, the Kalman smoother for the state-space model given by equations (5.3) and (5.4), with initial conditions  $x_n^n$  and  $P_n^n$  which are available from the Kalman filter is

$$x_{t-1}^n = x_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}(x_t^n - x_t^{t-1}), \quad (5.34)$$

$$P_{t-1}^n = P_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1}(P_t^n - P_t^{t-1})J_{t-1}', \quad (5.35)$$

where

$$J_{t-1} = P_{t-1}^{t-1}\Phi'[P_t^{t-1}]^{-1} \quad (5.36)$$

(Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, pp. 335-336).

### 5.5 The Lag One Covariance Smoother

The lag one covariance smoother is used to recursively obtain  $P_{t,t-1}^n$ , which is defined by equation (5.6) (Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 319). We derive the lag one covariance smoother as follows:

We start by defining

$$\tilde{x}_t^s = x_t - x_t^s. \quad (5.37)$$

Then, we use equations (5.19) and (5.21) to write

$$p_{t,t-1}^t = E(\tilde{x}_t^t \tilde{x}_{t-1}^{t'}) \quad (5.38)$$

$$p_{t,t-1}^t = E\{[\tilde{x}_t^{t-1} - K_t(y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1})][\tilde{x}_{t-1}^{t-1} - J_{t-1} K_t(y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1})]'\} \quad (5.39)$$

$$p_{t,t-1}^t = E\{[\tilde{x}_t^{t-1} - K_t(A_t \tilde{x}_t^{t-1} + v_t)][\tilde{x}_{t-1}^{t-1} - J_{t-1} K_t(A_t \tilde{x}_t^{t-1} + v_t)]'\}. \quad (5.40)$$

After expanding equation (5.40), and taking the expectation, we then have

$$P_{t,t-1}^t = P_{t,t-1}^{t-1} - P_t^{t-1} A_t' K_t' J_{t-1}' - K_t A_t P_{t,t-1}^{t-1} + K_t (A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R) K_t' J_{t-1}'. \quad (5.41)$$

We also have that

$$K_t (A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R) = P_t^{t-1} A_t' \quad (5.42)$$

and

$$P_{t,t-1}^{t-1} = \Phi P_{t-1}^{t-1} \quad (5.43)$$

for any  $t = 1, \dots, n$ .

We now use equation (5.34) to get

$$\tilde{x}_{t-1}^n + J_{t-1} x_t^n = \tilde{x}_{t-1}^{t-1} + J_{t-1} \Phi x_{t-1}^{t-1} \quad (5.44)$$

and

$$\tilde{x}_{t-2}^n + J_{t-2} x_{t-1}^n = \tilde{x}_{t-2}^{t-2} + J_{t-2} \Phi x_{t-2}^{t-2}. \quad (5.45)$$

Consequently, we multiply the left hand side of equation (5.44) by the transpose of the left hand side of equation (5.45) and multiply the right hand side of equation (5.44) by the transpose of the right hand side of equation (5.45). We then equate the two results and take the expectation. The left hand side is then

$$P_{t-1,t-2}^n + J_{t-1}E(x_t^n x_{t-1}^{n'})J'_{t-2}, \quad (5.46)$$

while the right hand side is

$$P_{t-1,t-2}^{t-2} - K_{t-1}A_{t-1}P_{t-1,t-2}^{t-2} + J_{t-1}\Phi K_{t-1}A_{t-1}P_{t-1,t-2}^{t-2} + J_{t-1}\Phi E(x_{t-1}^{t-2} x_{t-2}^{t-2'})\Phi'J'_{t-2}. \quad (5.47)$$

The  $E(x_t^n x_{t-1}^{n'})$  can be written as

$$E(x_t^n x_{t-1}^{n'}) = E(x_t x_{t-1}') - P_{t,t-1}^n = \Phi E(x_{t-1} x_{t-2}')\Phi' + \Phi Q - P_{t,t-1}^n \quad (5.48)$$

and we can write  $E(x_{t-1}^{t-2} x_{t-2}^{t-2'})$  as

$$E(x_{t-1}^{t-2} x_{t-2}^{t-2'}) = E(x_{t-1}^{t-2} x_{t-2}^{t-2'}) = E(x_{t-1} x_{t-2}') - P_{t-1,t-2}^{t-2}. \quad (5.49)$$

For the state space model given by equations (5.3) and (5.4), where  $K_t, J_t$  for  $t = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $P_n^n$  are available from the Kalman filter and Kalman smoother. Using the initial condition

$$P_{n,n-1}^n = (I - K_n A_n)\Phi P_{n-1}^{n-1}. \quad (5.50)$$

For  $t = n, n-1, n-2, \dots, 2$ , from equations (5.46) and (5.47) the lag one covariance smoother is

$$P_{t-1,t-2}^n = P_{t-1}^{t-1}J'_{t-2} + J_{t-1}(P_{t,t-1}^n - \Phi P_{t-1}^{t-1})J'_{t-2} \quad (5.51)$$

(Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, pp. 320-321).

## 5.6 Maximum Likelihood Estimation

In order to use the Kalman filtering and smoothing equations, we need estimates of the parameters that are used to specify the state space model given by equations (5.3) and (5.4). The

parameters are the initial mean  $\mu_0$ , covariance  $\Sigma_0$ , the transition matrix  $\Phi$  and the state and observation covariance matrices  $Q$  and  $R$ , respectively. These parameters are estimated using maximum likelihood with the assumption that  $x_0 \sim N(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$ , and the errors  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are uncorrelated and jointly normal. To compute the likelihood, we use the innovations defined by equation (5.9) as

$$\epsilon_t = y_t - A_t x_t^{t-1} \quad (5.52)$$

and note that the innovations are a one-to-one linear transformation of the data  $Y_n = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ . We also note that the innovations are independent Gaussian random vectors with a mean of zero and covariance defined by equation (5.11), as

$$\Sigma_t = A_t P_t^{t-1} A_t' + R.$$

Therefore we can write the log-likelihood as

$$-2 \ln L_Y(\Theta) = \sum_{t=1}^n \log |\Sigma_t(\Theta)| + \sum_{t=1}^n \epsilon_t(\Theta)' \Sigma_t(\Theta)^{-1} \epsilon_t(\Theta), \quad (5.53)$$

where the constant has been ignored for simplicity and  $\Theta = \{\mu_0, \Sigma_0, \Phi, Q, R\}$ .

To maximize the log-likelihood in equation (5.53) we fix  $x_0$  and then obtain a set of recursions for the likelihood function and its first two derivatives. We can then use the Newton-Raphson procedure to update the parameter values until the log-likelihood has been maximized. This process can be summarized into the following four steps:

1. Select initial values for the parameters,  $\Theta_0$ .
2. Run the Kalman filter using the initial values,  $\Theta_0$ , to obtain a set of innovations and error covariances.
3. Run iterations of the Newton-Raphson procedure to obtain new estimates for the parameters.

4. Repeat Step 2 using the new parameter estimates obtained from Step 3 to generate a new set of innovations and error covariances. Run Step 3. This process continues until the difference between successive estimates of the parameters or the log-likelihood are small enough.

### 5.7 The Expectation Maximization Algorithm

An alternative method to estimate the parameters for the state space model, given by equations (5.3) and (5.4), is the expectation maximization (EM) algorithm. The EM algorithm consists of two steps, the E-step and the M-step. The E-step, or expectation step, computes the expected value of the complete data likelihood. The M-step, or maximization step, updates the parameter estimates (Durbin & Koopman, 2001, p. 147; Xu & Wilke, 2007, p. 570). The idea behind the EM algorithm is that along with the observations  $Y_n = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$  we are able to observe the states  $X_n = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . We could then take  $\{X_n, Y_n\}$  to be the complete data set having joint density

$$f_{\Theta}(X_n, Y_n) = f_{\mu_0, \Sigma_0}(x_0) \prod_{t=1}^n f_{\Phi, Q}(x_t | x_{t-1}) \prod_{t=1}^n f_R(y_t | x_t). \quad (5.54)$$

Under the assumption of normality, we can write the likelihood for the complete data as

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \ln L_{X,Y}(\Theta) &= \ln |\Sigma_0| + (x_0 - \mu_0)' \Sigma_0^{-1} (x_0 - \mu_0) + \ln |Q| \\ &\quad + \sum_{t=1}^n (x_t - \Phi x_{t-1})' Q^{-1} (x_t - \Phi x_{t-1}) + \ln |R| \\ &\quad + \sum_{t=1}^n (y_t - A_t x_t)' R^{-1} (y_t - A_t x_t) \end{aligned} \quad (5.55)$$

(Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 324).

The EM algorithm is used to obtain the maximum likelihood estimates of  $\Theta$  based on the incomplete data given by  $Y_n$ . This is achieved by maximizing the conditional expectation of the complete data likelihood. So, for iteration  $j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  the conditional expectation to be maximized is

$$Q(\Theta|\Theta^{(j-1)}) = E\{-2 \ln L_{X,Y}(\Theta)|Y_n, \Theta^{(j-1)}\} \quad (5.56)$$

(Shumway & Stoffer, 1982, p. 256; Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 324).

Given the parameters,  $\Theta^{(j-1)}$ , we can use the Kalman smoother to obtain conditional expectations. This leads to

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\Theta|\Theta^{(j-1)}) &= \ln|\Sigma_0| + \text{tr}\{\Sigma_0^{-1}[P_0^n + (x_0^n - \mu_0)(x_0^n - \mu_0)']\} + \ln|Q| \\ &\quad + \text{tr}\{Q^{-1}(S_{11} - S_{10}\Phi' - \Phi S_{10}' + \Phi S_{00}\Phi')\} + \ln|R| \\ &\quad + \text{tr}\left\{R^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^n [(y_t - A_t x_t^n)(y_t - A_t x_t^n)' + A_t P_t^n A_t']\right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (5.57)$$

where

$$S_{11} = \sum_{t=1}^n (x_t^n x_t^{n'} + P_t^n), \quad (5.58)$$

$$S_{10} = \sum_{t=1}^n (x_t^n x_{t-1}^{n'} + P_{t,t-1}^n), \quad (5.59)$$

and

$$S_{00} = \sum_{t=1}^n (x_{t-1}^n x_{t-1}^{n'} + P_{t-1}^n). \quad (5.60)$$

The present parameter values,  $\Theta^{(j-1)}$ , are used for the calculation of the smoothers in equations (5.57), (5.58), (5.59) and (5.60) (Shumway & Stoffer, 1982, p. 257; Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 325). The next step is the maximization step which involves minimizing equation (5.57) with respect to the parameters at the  $j^{\text{th}}$  iteration. The maximization step results in the following updated estimates:

$$\Phi^{(j)} = S_{10} S_{00}^{-1}, \quad (5.61)$$

$$Q^{(j)} = n^{-1}(S_{11} - S_{10}S_{00}^{-1}S'_{10}), \quad (5.62)$$

and

$$R^{(j)} = n^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^n [(y_t - A_t x_t^n)(y_t - A_t x_t^n)' + A_t P_t^n A_t']. \quad (5.63)$$

It is not possible to estimate the initial means and covariance simultaneously. The usual convention is to fix both the mean and covariance, or just the covariance matrix, and then use

$$\mu_0^{(j)} = x_0^n, \quad (5.64)$$

which is the estimator that is obtained from minimizing equation (5.57) under the assumption that the covariance matrix has been fixed. The steps involved in the EM algorithm can be summarized as follows:

1. Select the starting values for the parameters  $\theta^{(0)} = \{\mu_0, \Phi, Q, R\}$ , and fix  $\Sigma_0$ .
2. Compute the likelihood for the incomplete data as in equation (5.53).
3. Perform the E-Step of the algorithm using the Kalman filter and Kalman smoothing to calculate  $S_{11}, S_{10}, S_{00}$  given by equations (5.58), (5.59) and (5.60).
4. Perform the M-Step to update the estimates,  $\mu_0, \Phi, Q$  and  $R$ .
5. Repeat steps 2 to 4 until convergence has been achieved

(Shumway & Stoffer, 1982, p. 258; Shumway & Stoffer, 2000, p. 325).



### 5.8 The Stochastic Volatility Model

The stochastic volatility model is similar to the ARCH models, however, there is an added stochastic noise term in the equation for  $\sigma_t$ . Recall from Chapter 3 that the GARCH (1,1) model is given by

$$\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t \eta_t \quad (5.65)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 r_{t-1}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2, \quad (5.66)$$

where  $\eta_t \sim N(0,1)$ . We now define

$$h_t = \ln \sigma_t^2 \quad (5.67)$$

and

$$y_t = \ln \varepsilon_t^2. \quad (5.68)$$

Then equation (5.66) can be written as

$$y_t = h_t + \ln \eta_t^2. \quad (5.69)$$

Equation (5.70) is the observation equation and  $h_t$ , which is the stochastic variance is viewed as an unobserved state process. The volatility process follows an autoregressive, AR(1), process such that  $h_t$  can be written as

$$h_t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 h_{t-1} + w_t, \quad (5.70)$$

where  $w_t \sim N(0, \sigma_w^2)$ . The stochastic volatility model is then made up of equations (5.69) and (5.70). To fit the stochastic volatility model, we keep the ARCH assumption of normality for  $\eta_t$ . With this normality assumption, we have that  $\ln \eta_t^2$  is distributed as the log of a chi-squared random variable with one degree of freedom. The probability density function of  $\ln \eta_t^2$  is given by

$$f(\ln \eta_t^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (e^{\ln \eta_t^2} - \ln \eta_t^2) \right\} \quad (5.71)$$

for  $-\infty < x < \infty$ . The mean for  $\ln \eta_t^2$  is  $-1.27$  and the variance is  $\pi^2/2$ . To fit the stochastic volatility model, we write the observation equation in (5.68) as

$$y_t = \alpha + h_t + v_t, \quad (5.72)$$

where  $v_t$  is white noise. The distribution for  $v_t$  is a mixture of two normals and we write

$$v_t = u_t z_{t0} + (1 - u_t) z_{t1}, \quad (5.73)$$

where  $u_t$  is an independent and identically distributed Bernoulli process with

$$P(u_t = 0) = \pi_0, \quad (5.74)$$

$$P(u_t = 1) = \pi_1 \quad (5.75)$$

with  $\pi_0 + \pi_1 = 1$ , and  $z_{t0} \sim iid N(0, \sigma_0^2)$ , and  $z_{t1} \sim iid N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ . The state equation in (5.70) remains the same. To fit the stochastic volatility model we make use of the Kalman filter which needs to be modified slightly. The modifications, which are given by Shumway and Stoffer (2006), are as follows

$$h_{t+1}^t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 h_t^{t-1} + \sum_{j=0}^1 \pi_{tj} K_{tj} \epsilon_{tj} \quad (5.76)$$

$$P_{t+1}^t = \phi_1^2 P_t^{t-1} + \sigma_w^2 - \sum_{j=0}^1 \pi_{tj} K_{tj}^2 \Sigma_{tj} \quad (5.77)$$

$$\epsilon_{t0} = y_t - \alpha - h_t^{t-1} \quad (5.78)$$

$$\epsilon_{t1} = y_t - \alpha - h_t^{t-1} - \mu_1 \quad (5.79)$$

$$\Sigma_{t0} = P_t^{t-1} + \sigma_0^2 \quad (5.80)$$

$$\Sigma_{t1} = P_t^{t-1} + \sigma_1^2 \quad (5.81)$$

$$K_{t0} = \frac{\phi_1 P_t^{t-1}}{\Sigma_{t0}} \quad (5.82)$$

$$K_{t1} = \frac{\phi_1 P_t^{t-1}}{\Sigma_{t1}}. \quad (5.83)$$

Equations (5.76) to (5.83) are the filtering equations for the model given by equations (5.70) and (5.72). The probabilities given by  $\pi_{t1} = P(u_t = 1 | y_1, \dots, y_t)$  for  $t = 1, \dots, n$  need to be assessed to use the filtering equations. Once  $\pi_{t1}$  has been obtained, we can determine  $\pi_{t0}$  since  $\pi_{t0} = 1 - \pi_{t1}$ . To find  $\pi_{t1}$  let  $f_j(t|t-1)$  be the conditional density of  $y_t$  given  $y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}$ , and  $u_t = j$  for  $j = 0, 1$ . Then using Bayes rule we have

$$\pi_{t1} = \frac{\pi_1 f_1(t|t-1)}{\pi_0 f_0(t|t-1) + \pi_1 f_1(t|t-1)}. \quad (5.84)$$

If there is no reason to prefer one state, then letting  $\pi_1 = \frac{1}{2}$  is sufficient. The exact values for  $f_j(t|t-1)$  are difficult to obtain and, therefore, we choose to approximate  $f_j(t|t-1)$  by using the normal distribution with mean  $h_t^{t-1} + \mu_j$  and variance  $\Sigma_{tj}$  for  $j = 0, 1$  and  $\mu_0 = 0$ . The model parameters to be estimated are given by  $\Theta = (\phi_0, \phi_1, \sigma_0^2, \mu_1, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_w^2)'$  and are estimate by maximum likelihood using the likelihood

$$\ln L_Y(\Theta) = \sum_{t=1}^n \ln \left( \sum_{j=0}^1 \pi_j f_j(t|t-1) \right), \quad (5.85)$$

where  $f_j(t|t-1)$  is approximated as  $N(h_t^{t-1} + \mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$ . The likelihood can be maximized as a function of the parameters  $\Theta$  by using a Newton method, or the EM algorithm could be used when considering the complete data likelihood (Shumway & Stoffer, 2006, pp. 388-390).

## Chapter Six

### 6 Application of Stochastic Volatility Models

#### 6.1 Introduction

This chapter focuses on the application of the stochastic volatility model discussed in Chapter 5 to the data that was introduced in Chapter 2. The stochastic volatility model makes use of the logarithm of the squared residuals from an ARMA model instead of the residuals themselves. This has the potential to create a problem if any of the residuals are zero. If there are residuals that are zero it is possible to deal with this problem by adding a positive constant to the residuals to ensure that there are no zero values. The resulting transformation is  $\varepsilon_t + c$  where  $c$  is a small positive constant. The stochastic volatility model is then applied to the data using the logarithm of the squared transformed residuals which is given by

$$\ln((\varepsilon_t + c)^2).$$

For all the data sets that were modeled there was no problem with having any zero values for the residuals and therefore no transformation was applied. The software that was used to fit the model was R: *A Language and Environment for Statistical Computing* (2010) and this software is freely available for download from <http://cran.r-project.org/>. The code for the stochastic volatility model can be found in Appendix B.

The stochastic volatility model is now fitted to the Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd, DRD Gold Ltd, Gold Fields Ltd and Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd data. The value for  $\pi_1$  was fixed at 0.5. The estimation procedure used a Newton method to maximize the likelihood in equation (5.85).

#### 6.2 Stochastic Volatility Model for the Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd Data

The stochastic volatility model is fitted to the residuals from the AR(8) model for the return. The parameter estimates for the model are presented in Table 39. The parameter estimate for  $\phi_1$  is high, which suggests that there is long persistence of volatility. This persistence of volatility was also seen in the results of the GARCH(1,2) model for the Anglo Gold Ashanti data, which can be seen in Chapter 4.

Table 39: Parameter Estimates for the Anglo Gold Ashanti Stochastic Volatility Model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error
$\phi_0$	-0.0045	0.0377
$\phi_1$	0.9776	0.0117
$\sigma_w$	0.1524	0.0431
$\alpha$	-7.5696	1.6739
$\sigma_0$	1.1094	0.0425
$\mu_1$	-2.7462	0.1304
$\sigma_1$	2.8034	0.0739

### 6.3 Stochastic Volatility Model for the DRD Gold Ltd Data

The stochastic volatility model is applied to the residuals from the AR(1) model for the DRD Gold data. The parameter estimates for the stochastic volatility model can be seen in Table 40. It can be seen that the estimate for  $\phi_1$  is high, which indicates that the volatility has long persistence. The GARCH(3,3) model for the DRD Gold data from Chapter 4 also showed that the volatility had long persistence.

Table 40: Parameter Estimates for the DRD Gold Stochastic Volatility Model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error
$\phi_0$	0.2022	0.1907
$\phi_1$	0.9556	0.0225
$\sigma_w$	0.2835	0.0773
$\alpha$	-11.5412	2.2561
$\sigma_0$	1.1275	0.0562
$\mu_1$	-4.1948	0.1563
$\sigma_1$	3.3315	0.0909

#### 6.4 Stochastic Volatility Model for the Gold Fields Ltd Data

The stochastic volatility model is fitted to the residuals from the AR(8) Model for the return of the Gold Fields data. The parameter estimates for the stochastic volatility model are displayed in Table 41. The parameter estimate for  $\phi_1$  is high, which indicates that the volatility has long persistence. This long persistence of volatility was also seen for the GARCH(1,2) model for the Gold Fields data, which can be found in Chapter 4.

**Table 41: Parameter Estimates for the Gold Fields Stochastic Volatility Model**

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error
$\phi_0$	-0.0145	0.0209
$\phi_1$	0.9896	0.0056
$\sigma_w$	0.1208	0.0282
$\alpha$	-5.8841	1.8978
$\sigma_0$	1.0525	0.0435
$\mu_1$	-2.8402	0.1411
$\sigma_1$	2.6824	0.0813

#### 6.5 Stochastic Volatility Model for the Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd Data

The stochastic volatility model is applied to the residuals of the AR(2) model for the return. The parameter estimates for the stochastic volatility model can be found in Table 42. The estimate for  $\phi_1$  is high, which indicates that the volatility remains persistent for a long period. This volatility persistence was also seen for GARCH(2,1) model for the Harmony Gold data from Chapter 4.

Table 42: Parameter Estimates for the Harmony Gold Stochastic Volatility Model

Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error
$\phi_0$	0.0092	0.0601
$\phi_1$	0.9708	0.0127
$\sigma_w$	0.2214	0.0530
$\alpha$	-7.6774	2.0463
$\sigma_0$	1.0699	0.0485
$\mu_1$	-3.5393	0.1394
$\sigma_1$	3.1758	0.0826

## Chapter Seven

### 7 Conclusion

The aim of this work was to explore ARCH, GARCH and stochastic volatility models to model volatility in financial time series data. The time series of interest were for gold mining companies listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange namely Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd, DRD Gold Ltd, Gold Fields Ltd and Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd. Modeling volatility in financial time series plays an important role in decision making, for example: what type of investment strategy to use. These strategies could be related to the choice of the timing of an investment, how long to hold a particular share and the size of an investment etc. This work focused on two methods, the first was the ARCH and GARCH models and the second was the stochastic volatility model. The key difference between the two methods is that the ARCH and GARCH models are observation driven and the stochastic volatility model is parameter driven. This has been delineated in previous chapters.

The ARCH model was first introduced by Engle (1982) and was used to model changes in volatility. The ARCH model was extended to a more general form by Bollerslev (1986), known as the GARCH model. This work only focused on a few of the types of ARCH and GARCH models for modeling the volatility. These were the ARCH, GARCH, IGARCH, EGARCH and GARCH-M models under the assumption of normally distributed error terms. A problem that arises when modeling financial time series is that the error terms are rarely normally distributed, but often follow a heavier than normal distribution. This problem can be dealt with by using error terms that follow the Student-t distribution. The ARCH and GARCH models are easy to fit due to the fact that the conditional variances are easily specified. This gives the ARCH and GARCH models an advantage over the stochastic volatility model, which has a conditional variance that is more complex to specify. Another advantage of the ARCH and GARCH model is that there is no shortage of software that can be used to fit the models. One disadvantage that becomes apparent when using the ARCH and GARCH models is that parameter restrictions need to be taken into account when using higher order ARCH and GARCH models.

The stochastic volatility model is the parameter driven model where the conditional variance is modeled as an unobserved component that follows some underlying latent stochastic process. To



model this conditional variance, an error or innovation term is introduced to the conditional variance equation. The stochastic volatility model has a disadvantage compared to the ARCH and GARCH models due to the fact that the likelihood is complicated and often difficult to evaluate. For this reason, the stochastic volatility model is not as widely used as the ARCH and GARCH models. The observation error for the stochastic volatility model follows a chi-squared distribution with one degree of freedom. The parameters for the stochastic volatility model are generally estimated by using an approximation to this distribution and then using results from state space models to estimate the parameters. This work focused on the use of a mixture model to approximate the distribution and then estimate the parameters for the model. Due to the complications involved in fitting the stochastic volatility model, only the model following an AR(1) process was fitted to the data and models of higher order were not considered.

In Chapter 4, the ARCH and GARCH models were fitted to the stock price data using SAS software, Version 9.2 of the SAS System for Microsoft Windows. Copyright © 2002-2008 SAS Institute Inc. SAS and all other SAS Institute Inc. product or service names are registered trademarks or trademarks of SAS Institute Inc., Cary, NC, USA. The first step was to calculate the return for the price using equation (2.2) described in Chapter 2. The next step was to fit a mean equation to the return and then finally to fit the ARCH and GARCH models to the residuals from the mean equation.

For the Anglo Gold Ashanti Ltd data, the best model for the mean was found to be an AR(8) model. Once the AR(8) model was fitted it was then possible to fit the ARCH and GARCH models and to determine the best fitting model which was the GARCH(1,2) model. The best model for the mean for the DRD Gold Ltd data was found to be an AR(1). After fitting the AR(1) model the ARCH and GARCH models were then fitted and the best model was found to be GARCH(3,3) model. The model for the mean for the Gold Fields Ltd data that was found to be the best fitting was the AR(8) model. The ARCH and GARCH models were then fitted and the best model was found to be the GARCH(1,2) model. For the Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd data, the best model for the mean was found to be the AR(2) model. After fitting the ARCH and GARCH models it was found that the best model was the GARCH(2,1) model. In all cases the ARCH and GARCH models that were found to be the best when error terms followed the Student-t distribution.

In Chapter 6, the stochastic volatility model was fitted to the stock price data using the software R: *A Language and Environment for Statistical Computing* (2010). The first step was to calculate the return in the same manner as that was used when fitting the ARCH and GARCH models. The next step was to fit a model for the mean and then finally to fit the stochastic volatility model to the residuals from the mean equation. Before fitting the stochastic volatility model to the residuals, it was important to ensure that there were no residuals with a zero value. This was due to the fact that the stochastic volatility model uses the logarithm of the squared residuals. The problem with having a zero is that the logarithm would be negative infinity for that observation. In all cases this problem was not encountered and the stochastic volatility model was fitted without having to make any transformations to the residuals.

The mean equations for the data sets were the same as those used for the ARCH and GARCH models. Only the stochastic volatility model that is in the form of an AR(1) model was fitted to the residuals for the various mean equations. This was due to the complexities involved in fitting higher order models. The results from the stochastic volatility models agreed with those from the ARCH and GARCH models in terms of the long persistence of volatility.

Due to the difference in the way that the conditional variance is specified between the ARCH and GARCH models and the stochastic volatility model it was found that the ARCH and GARCH models presented fewer difficulties in terms of the estimation of the model parameters. The stochastic volatility model could benefit from some research into the use of error terms that follow the Student-t distribution. This is of particular importance when modeling stock price data as this data rarely follows a normal distribution. The ARCH and GARCH models have been well developed and there are a number of software packages available for fitting the models. The stochastic volatility models would benefit and possibly become more widely used if there was more software available for fitting such models.

Further research could also include different methods for parameter estimation due to the complications that arise from the specification of the conditional variance of the stochastic volatility model. Tsay (2005) has made use of Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods along with Gibbs sampling for fitting stochastic volatility models. Another approach that fits in with the Kalman filtering framework that is used by Tsay (2005) uses forward filtering and backward

sampling to improve the efficiency of Gibbs sampling. It would be useful to compare these methods with the method that is discussed in Chapter 6 to assess the performance of each method and make comparisons on efficiency, consistency and some of the practical implications of using each method.

Having a model for the volatility can give investors valuable insight into the behavior of the stock price and can also give insight into the overall performance of the company itself. Changes in the volatility of the share price could be an indication of changes in the profitability of the company. Higher volatility in the profitability of a company would lead to a higher volatility in the share price of that company and lower volatility in the profitability would lead to a lower share price volatility (Pratten, 1993, pp. 42-43). This is important when making investment decisions in terms of the risk that an investor is willing to take. Investing in a company with higher volatility in profitability would be seen as a higher risk than an investment in a company with lower volatility in profit. The ARCH, GARCH, and stochastic volatility models that have been applied to the data discussed in Chapter 2 can be useful to aid in an overall analysis of the profitability of the respective companies. The models can be used as a starting point to investigate each company's profit in relation to the levels of volatility that have been predicted by the models and then to make decisions about the performance of the company.

The ARCH, GARCH, and stochastic volatility models provide an important tool to assist analysts when attempting to model the volatility in financial time series data. The ARCH and GARCH models are, however, easier to fit to the data as the distributional assumptions are easier to deal with than that of the stochastic volatility model. The ARCH and GARCH models have been well researched and there is an abundance of literature available thereby making the models an attractive choice for an analyst. It is clear from this research that the stochastic volatility models have many disadvantages compared to the ARCH and GARCH models and thus the ARCH and GARCH models are likely to remain the preferred choice when attempting to model the volatility in financial time series.

## Appendix A

### Theorem 1

Suppose that  $x, y$  and  $z$  are three random variables such that their joint distribution is multivariate normal. In addition, assume that the diagonal block covariance matrix  $\Sigma_{ww}$  is nonsingular for  $w = x, y, z$ , and  $\Sigma_{yz} = 0$ . Then,

$$E(x|y) = \mu_x + \Sigma_{xy}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}(y - \mu_y)$$

$$\text{var}(x|y) = \Sigma_{xx} - \Sigma_{xx}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}\Sigma_{yx}$$

$$E(x|y, z) = E(x|y) + \Sigma_{xz}\Sigma_{zz}^{-1}(z - \mu_z)$$

$$\text{var}(x|y, z) = \text{var}(x|y) - \Sigma_{xz}\Sigma_{zz}^{-1}\Sigma_{zx}$$

(Tsay, 2005, p. 494).

### Result 1

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be jointly multivariate normal such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \Sigma_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (\text{A. 1})$$

then the distribution of  $x$  conditional on  $y$  is also multivariate normal with mean

$$\mu_{x|y} = \mu_x + \Sigma_{xy}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}(y - \mu_y) \quad (\text{A. 2})$$

and covariance matrix

$$\Sigma_{xx|y} = \Sigma_{xx} - \Sigma_{xy}\Sigma_{yy}^{-1}\Sigma_{yx}. \quad (\text{A. 3})$$

The distribution of  $y$  conditional on  $x$  is also multivariate normal with mean

$$\mu_{y|x} = \mu_y + \Sigma_{yx}\Sigma_{xx}^{-1}(x - \mu_x) \quad (\text{A. 4})$$

and covariance matrix

$$\Sigma_{yy|x} = \Sigma_{yy} - \Sigma_{yx}\Sigma_{xx}^{-1}\Sigma_{xy} \quad (\text{A. 5})$$

(Harvey, 1990, p. 165).

## Appendix B

### SAS Code for ARCH and GARCH Models

#### Anglo Gold Ashanti GARCH(1,2) Model

```
proc model data=work.anglo;
parms mu -0.000774 ar1 -0.0586 ar2 0.007900 ar3 0.0234 ar4 -0.0132 ar5 0.000364 ar6 0.008056
ar7 0.0296 ar8 0.0228 arch0 8.7514E-6 arch1 0.1187 arch2 -0.0685 garch1 0.9387 df 5.47345;
```

```
logreturn = mu + ar1 * zlag1 (logreturn - mu) + ar2 * zlag2 (logreturnmu) + ar3 * zlag3 (logreturn -
mu) + ar4 * zlag4 (logreturn - mu) + ar5 * zlag5 (logreturn - mu) + ar6 * zlag6 (logreturn - mu) + ar7
* zlag7 (logreturn - mu) + ar8 * zlag8 (logreturn - mu);
```

```
h.logreturn = arch0 + arch1 * xlag1 (resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + arch2 * xlag2
(resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + garch1 * xlag1 (h.logreturn,mse.logreturn);
```

```
errormodel logreturn~t(h.logreturn,df);
```

```
fit logreturn/fiml method=marquardt maxiter=10000 out=result;
```

```
run;
```

```
quit;
```

#### DRD Gold GARCH(3,3) Model

```
proc model data=work.drd;
parms mu ar1 arch0 arch1 arch2 arch3 garch1 garch2 garch3 df 2.59672;
```

```
logreturn = mu + ar1 * zlag1(logreturn - mu);
```

```
h.logreturn = arch0 + arch1 * xlag1 (resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + arch2 *
xlag2(resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + arch3 * xlag3 (resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) +
```

```
garch1 * xlag1 (h.logreturn, mse.logreturn) + garch2 * xlag2 (h.logreturn, mse.logreturn) + garch3
* xlag3(h.logreturn, mse.logreturn);
```

```
errormodel logreturn~t(h.logreturn,df);
```

```
fit logreturn/fiml method=marquardt maxiter=10000 out=result;
```

```
run;
```

```
quit;
```

### **Gold Fields GARCH(1,2) Model**

```
proc model data=work.gfi;
```

```
parms mu ar1 ar2 ar3 ar4 ar5 ar6 ar7 ar8 arch0 arch1 arch2 arch3 garch1 df 6.013229;
```

```
logreturn = mu + ar1 * zlag1(logreturn - mu) + ar2 * zlag2 (logreturn - mu) + ar3 * zlag3 (logreturn -
mu) + ar4 * zlag4 (logreturn - mu) + ar5 * zlag5 (logreturn - mu) + ar6 * zlag6 (logreturn - mu) + ar7
* zlag7 (logreturn - mu) + ar8 * zlag8 (logreturn - mu);
```

```
h.logreturn = arch0 + arch1 * xlag1 (resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + arch2 * xlag2
(resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn) + garch1 * xlag1 (h.logreturn, mse.logreturn);
```

```
errormodel logreturn~t(h.logreturn,df);
```

```
fit logreturn/fiml method=marquardt maxiter=10000 out=result;
```

```
run;
```

```
quit;
```

### **Harmony Gold Mining Company GARCH(2,1) Model**

```
proc model data=work.harmony;
```

```
parms mu ar1 ar2 arch0 arch1 garch1 garch2 df 3.776435;
```

```
logreturn = mu + ar1 * zlag1 (logreturn - mu) + ar2 * zlag2 (logreturn - mu);
```

```
h.logreturn = arch0 + arch1 * xlag1 (resid.logreturn**2, mse.logreturn)
+ garch1 * xlag1 (h.logreturn, mse.logreturn) + garch2 * xlag2 (h.logreturn, mse.logreturn);
```

```
errormodel logreturn~t(h.logreturn,df);
```

```
fit logreturn/fiml method=marquardt maxiter=10000 out=result;
```

```
run;
```

```
quit;
```

## R Code for the Stochastic Volatility Models

The following code follows that of Shumway and Stoffer (2006).

```
y=matrix(scan("data.txt"),ncol=1)
```

```
n=length(y)
```

```
y=log(y^2)
```

```
phi0=0
```

```
phi1=0.8
```

```
initialQ=0.5
```

```
alpha=mean(y)
```

```
initialSigma0=1
```

```
mu=-1
```

```
initialSigma1=1
```

```
initialparameter=c(phi0,phi1,initialQ,alpha,initialSigma0,mu,initialSigma1)
```

```
SV=function(n,y,phi0,phi1,initialQ,alpha,initialSigma0,mu,initialSigma1)
```

```
{
```



```
y=as.matrix(y)

Q=initialQ^2

Sigma0=initialSigma0^2

Sigma1=initialSigma1^2

h0=0

P0=initialQ^2/(1-phi1)

P0[P0<0]=0

ht=matrix(0,n,1)

Pt=matrix(0,n,1)

pi0=0.5

pi1=0.5

newpi0=0.5

newpi1=0.5

for(i in 1:n)

  {

    ht[i]=phi1*h0*pi0

    Pt[i]=phi1*P0*pi1+Q

    s0=Pt[i]+Sigma0

    s1=Pt[i]+Sigma1

    kt0=Pt[i]/s0

    kt1=Pt[i]/s1
```

```

    e0=y[i]-ht[i]-alpha
    e1=y[i]-ht[i]-mu-alpha
    f0=(1/sqrt(s0))*exp(-0.5*e0^2/s0)
    f1=(1/sqrt(s1))*exp(-0.5*e1^2/s1)
    newpi0=(pi0*f0)/(pi0*f0+pi1*f1)
    newpi1=(pi1*f1)/(pi0*f0+pi1*f1)
    h0=ht[i]+newpi0*kt0*e0+newpi1*kt1*e1
    P0=newpi1*(1-kt1)*Pt[i]+newpi0*(1-kt0)*Pt[i]
    like=like-0.5*log(pi0*f0+pi1*f1)
  }

list(ht=ht,Pt=Pt,like=like)
}

Maximize=function(parameter)
{
  phi0=parameter[1]
  phi1=parameter[2]
  initialQ=parameter[3]
  alpha=parameter[4]
  initialSigma0=parameter[5]
  mu=parameter[6]
  initialSigma1=parameter[7]

```

```
svmodel=SV(n,y,phi0,phi1,initialQ,alpha,initialSigma0,mu,initialSigma1)

return(svmodel$like)

}

estimate = optim (initialparameter, Maximize, NULL, method="BFGS", hessian=TRUE, control = list
(trace = 1, REPORT = 1, maxit = 1000 ))

standarderror=sqrt(diag(solve(estimate$hessian)))

cbind(estimate$par,standarderror)
```

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