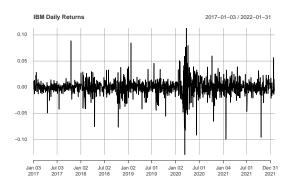
# Week 11: ARCH and GARCH models

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so  $\{e_t\}$  uncorrelated, but with possibly non-constant conditional variance

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large  $e_{t-1}^2 \rightsquigarrow$  large conditional volatility of  $e_t \rightsquigarrow$  larger uncertainty

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Practical consequence: Look at ACF and PACF of  $\{e_t^2\}$  if ARCH(r) model suitable.

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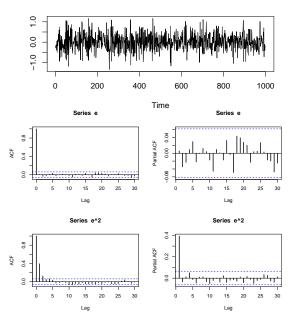
 $\hookrightarrow$  even if  $\varepsilon_t \sim N(0,1) \rightsquigarrow e_t$  NOT normal kurtosis for ARCH(1)

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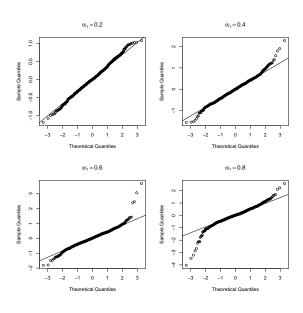
and it is finite only if  $\alpha_1^2 < 1/3 \rightarrow$  leptokurtic (heavy-tailed) distribution  $\rightarrow$  more "outliers"

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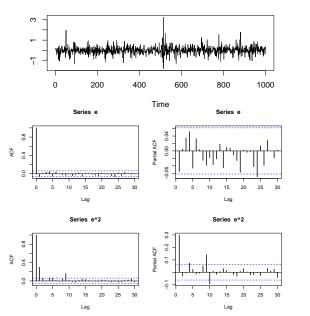


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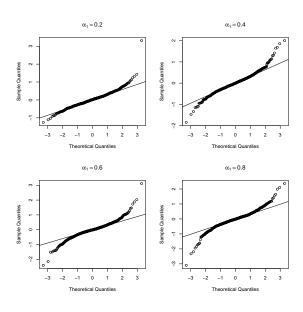


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#### Other estimations

- ▶ MLE with different distributional assumption for  $\varepsilon_t$ 
  - $ightharpoonup \varepsilon_t \sim \text{standardized } t_{\nu},$
  - **>** possibility to estimate  $\nu$  together with  $\alpha$
- Gaussian quasilikelihood estimation (QML):
  - take

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- even though we know that the normality assumption might not hold
- ▶ such QML estimator is consistent and asymptotically normal under very general conditions ( $\text{E}\varepsilon_t^4 < \infty$ )
- valid standard errors and possibility for testing

# Model verification and predictions

For ARCH(r) fitted to  $e_1, \ldots, e_n$ 

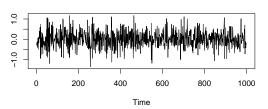
- 1. compute  $\hat{\sigma}_t^2$  sequentially using the estimated parameters
- 2. compute

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{e}}_t = \frac{\mathbf{e}_t}{\widehat{\sigma}_t}$$

- 3. check ACF and PACF for  $\{\widetilde{e}_t^2\}$ , possibly apply Q-test (portmanteau test of Ljung-Box) for ACF of  $\widetilde{e}_t^2$
- distributional assumptions can be checked by histograms, QQ-plots

# Example

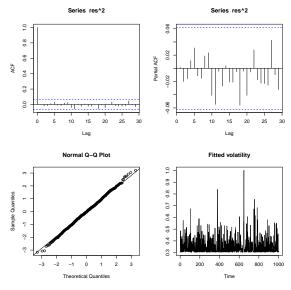
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→ fitted ARCH(1) model

$$\sigma_t^2 = 0.092 + 0.294e_{t-1}^2$$

# **Example: Verification**



#### **GARCH** model

GARCH(r, s)

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- ▶ if (G) holds then  $\{e_t\}$  is weakly stationary
- model GARCH(1,1)

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the most popular: only 3 parameters, but capable of modelling general volatility

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covariance

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# ARMA representation for $\{e_t^2\}$

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and so  $\sigma_{t-i}^2 = e_{t-i}^2 - u_{t-j}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_{t}^{2} &= \alpha_{0} + \sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_{i} \mathbf{e}_{t-i}^{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{s} \beta_{j} \sigma_{t-j}^{2} + u_{t} \\ &= \alpha_{0} + \sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_{i} \mathbf{e}_{t-i}^{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{s} \beta_{j} (\mathbf{e}_{t-j}^{2} - u_{t-j}) + u_{t} \\ &= \alpha_{0} + \sum_{i=1}^{\max\{r,s\}} (\alpha_{i} + \beta_{i}) \mathbf{e}_{t-i}^{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{s} \beta_{j} u_{t-j} + u_{t} \end{aligned}$$

 $\rightsquigarrow$  ARMA(max{r, s}, s) with noise { $u_t$ }

#### Construction

- Choose model orders typically try/use GARCH(1,1)
- 2. Estimate parameters as

$$(\widehat{\alpha}_n, \widehat{\beta}_n) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha, \beta} \sum_{t=t+1}^n \left[ \log(\sigma_t^2) + \frac{e_t^2}{\sigma_t^2} \right],$$

where  $\sigma_t^2 = \sigma_t^2(\alpha, \beta)$  are computed recursively with some initial setting (e.g.  $\sigma_1 = \cdots = \sigma_s = 0$ )

3. Model verification = same as for ARCH

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1 step ahead volatility prediction

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Note: ARMA and GARCH part can be estimated also simultaneously

# Further reading

#### Book:

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