

**Χρηματοοικονομική Οικονομετρία.**  
**Παρακαλώ απαντήστε σε όλες τις ερωτήσεις. Χρόνος 75 λεπτά**

Consider the following MA(1) process:

$$r_t = z_t - \theta z_{t-1}$$

where  $z_t$  is an iid process with 0 mean and unit variance

- 1. State the stationarity (second order) conditions for the above model. State the conditions for invertibility for the above model.**
- 2. Derive the autocorrelation function for the above model.**

Consider the Dow-Jones weekly excess returns over the period from 31/08/1979 to 23/05/2008, a sample size of 1500 observations.

Table 1 presents the correlogram and the Q- tests (up to ten lags) for Dow Jones excess returns and Table 2 the correlogram and the Q- tests for their squares.

**Table 1 (DJ excess returns - Correlogram )**

Autocorrelation	Partial Correlation	AC	PAC	Q-Stat	Prob	
*	*	1	-0.063	-0.063	5.9647	0.015
		2	0.052	0.049	10.081	0.006
		3	-0.022	-0.016	10.814	0.013
		4	-0.017	-0.022	11.272	0.024
		5	-0.049	-0.049	14.834	0.011
		6	0.063	0.059	20.819	0.002
		7	-0.034	-0.023	22.527	0.002
		8	-0.020	-0.032	23.153	0.003
		9	0.013	0.013	23.394	0.005
		10	-0.035	-0.032	25.276	0.005

**Table 2 (Squared DJ excess returns - Correlogram)**

Autocorrelation	Partial Correlation	AC	PAC	Q-Stat	Prob	
**	**	1	0.232	0.232	81.118	0.000
*		2	0.094	0.043	94.474	0.000
		3	0.063	0.034	100.36	0.000
		4	0.040	0.016	102.82	0.000
		5	0.031	0.015	104.32	0.000
*	*	6	0.079	0.068	113.77	0.000
*	*	7	0.133	0.103	140.51	0.000
*		8	0.070	0.011	147.97	0.000
		9	0.047	0.012	151.31	0.000
		10	0.045	0.019	154.39	0.000

3. According to the results presented in Table 1, is there any autocorrelation in the data (5% level)?
4. According to the results presented in Table 2, are the squared excess returns autocorrelated of order 1 at 5% level
5. What is the value of the statistic for testing the autocorrelation of the squared returns (Table 2) of up to 6<sup>th</sup> order (including the 6<sup>th</sup> order)? What is the value of the statistic for testing the 6<sup>th</sup> order autocorrelation of the squared returns?

**Consider the GARCH (1,1) Model**

$$r_t = \gamma + \varepsilon_t, \quad \sigma_t^2 = C + \alpha \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

**Table 3 (GARCH (1,1) Estimation for the Dow Jones data)**

Dependent Variable: DJ

Method: ML – ARCH

Sample: 1 1500

Included observations: 1500

Convergence achieved after 15 iterations

Variance backcast: ON

GARCH = C(2) + C(3)\*RESID(-1)^2 + C(4)\*GARCH(-1)

	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-Statistic	Prob.
C	0.143512	0.048491	2.959540	0.0031
Variance Equation				
C	0.141469	0.040472	3.495508	0.0005
RESID(-1)^2	0.091900	0.012350	7.441156	0.0000
GARCH(-1)	0.881804	0.016829	52.39736	0.0000
R-squared	-0.000542	Mean dependent var		0.092885
Adjusted R-squared	-0.002548	S.D. dependent var		2.176245
S.E. of regression	2.179016	Akaike info criterion		4.295719
Sum squared resid	7103.173	Schwarz criterion		4.309887
Log likelihood	-3217.789	Durbin-Watson stat		2.122506

6. What is meant by “positivity restrictions”? State the positivity restrictions for this model. Do the coefficients comply with these restrictions? What is the value of the variance persistence?

**Table 4 (EGARCH (1,1) Estimation)**

Dependent Variable: DJ

Method: ML – ARCH

Sample: 1 1500

Included observations: 1500

Convergence achieved after 14 iterations

Variance backcast: ON

LOG(GARCH) = C(2) + C(3)\*ABS(RESID(-1))/@SQRT(GARCH(-1)) +  
C(4)\*RESID(-1)/@SQRT(GARCH(-1)) + C(5)\*LOG(GARCH(-1))

	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-Statistic	Prob.
C	0.070371	0.049544	1.420371	0.1555
Variance Equation				
C(2)	-0.057136	0.020938	-2.728801	0.0064
C(3)	0.171804	0.023353	7.356780	0.0000
C(4)	-0.095301	0.014983	-6.360542	0.0000
C(5)	0.947901	0.012094	78.37473	0.0000
R-squared	-0.000107	Mean dependent var		0.092885
Adjusted R-squared	-0.002783	S.D. dependent var		2.176245
S.E. of regression	2.179271	Akaike info criterion		4.273782
Sum squared resid	7100.088	Schwarz criterion		4.291493
Log likelihood	-3200.336	Durbin-Watson stat		2.123428

7. Is the model second order stationary? Identify the asymmetry parameter(s). Is it (are they) significant?
8. Compare the GARCH(1,1) with the EGARCH(1,1) models (Tables 3 and 4)

**You could use the following:**

**Critical Value of the Standard Normal leaving 10% at the right tail is 1.285, leaving 5% is 1.645, and 2.5% is 1.960.**

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