

PREDICTION IN ARMA MODELS WITH GARCH IN MEAN EFFECTS

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Abstract. This paper considers forecasting the conditional mean and variance from an ARMA model with GARCH in mean effects. Expressions for the optimal predictors and their conditional and unconditional MSEs are presented. We also derive the formula for the covariance structure of the process and its conditional variance.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The autoregressive conditional heteroscedasticity (ARCH) model introduced by Engle (1982) and its generalization, the GARCH model introduced by Bollerslev (1986) have become increasingly popular in modelling financial and economic variables; see, for example, the surveys of Bollerslev *et al.* (1992), Berra and Higgins (1993), Bollerslev *et al.* (1994) and, for a more detailed description, the book by Gouriéroux (1997). Following Engle's pathbreaking idea, several formulations of conditionally heteroscedastic models (e.g. exponential GARCH, fractional integrated GARCH, switching ARCH, asymmetric power ARCH, component GARCH) have been introduced in the literature, forming an immense ARCH family.

Although the literature on GARCH-type models is quite extensive, relatively few papers have examined the issue of forecasting in models where the conditional volatility is time-dependent. Engle and Kraft (1983) consider predictions from an ARMA process with ARCH errors, whereas Engle and Bollerslev (1986) and Baillie and Bollerslev (1992) consider predictions from an ARMA model with GARCH errors.

One important exclusion from this framework concerns the ARCH in mean model, introduced by Engle *et al.* (1987). This model was used to investigate the existence of time varying term premia in the term structure of interest rates. Such time varying risk premia have been strongly supported by a huge body of empirical research, in interest rates (Hurn *et al.* 1995), in forward and future prices of commodities (Hall, 1991; Moosa and Al-Loughani, 1994), in GDP (Price, 1994), in industrial production (Caporale and McKierman, 1996) and, especially, in stock returns; see Campbell and Hentschel (1992), Glosten *et*

al. (1993), Black and Fraser (1995), Fraser (1996), Hansson and Hordahl (1997) and Elyasiani and Mansur (1998).

In this paper, we focus our attention on predictions from a general ARMA model with GARCH-in-mean effects. In Section 2, we present a new method for obtaining multi-period predictions from the ARMA(r, s)-GARCH(p, q)-in-mean model. In particular, we derive the optimal multi-step predictor in terms of past observations and past errors. The coefficients in our formula are expressed in terms of the roots of the autoregressive (AR) polynomials and the parameters of the moving average (MA) ones. We should mention that we only examine the case where the roots of the AR polynomial are distinct (the case of equal roots is left for future research). To point out the importance of our results, we quote Baillie and Bollerslev (1992): 'Processes with feedback from the conditional variance to the conditional mean will considerably complicate the form of the predictor and its associated mean square error (MSE). Analysis of such models is consequently left for future research.'

The goal of our method is theoretical purity rather than the production of expressions intended for practical use. However, our method can be employed in the derivation of multi-step predictions from a more complicated model with simultaneous feedback between the conditional mean and variance, namely the GARCH-M-L model¹; see Fountas *et al.* (2000). Another value of our method is that it can easily be generalized to multivariate GARCH and GARCH in-mean models.

In addition to our method for obtaining a closed form expression for the optimal predictor (and its associated MSE) of the conditional mean from the ARMA-GARCH-M model, the following three substantive problems for which solutions do not exist in the GARCH literature are solved in this paper:

1. We give the infinite moving average (IMA) representations of the conditional mean and variance. These formulae can be used to obtain alternative expressions for the minimum MSE (MMSE) predictors of the conditional mean and variance in terms of infinite past observations and errors.
2. We give the canonical factorization (CF) of the autocovariance generating function (AGF) of the process and its conditional variance, [Note 2] and the autocovariances and cross covariances for the process and its conditional variance.
3. We give the MMSE predictor of future values of the squared conditional variance. We subsequently use this predictor to obtain the conditional MSE associated with the MMSE predictor of the futures values of the conditional mean for the ARMA-GARCH-M model.

2. ARMA-GARCH-M MODEL

To our knowledge, the analysis of the covariance structure and the multi-step predictions from a general ARMA model with GARCH errors and in-mean

effects has not been considered yet. This paper attempts to fill this gap in the literature.

In what follows, we will consider the ARMA-GARCH-M process:

$$\Phi(L)y_t = \phi + \delta h_t + \Theta(L)\epsilon_t \tag{2.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(L) &= - \sum_{j=0}^r \phi_j L^j \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - \lambda_j L) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Theta(L) = - \sum_{j=0}^s \theta_j L^j$$

$$\phi_0 = \theta_0 = -1$$

and

$$B(L)h_t = \omega + A(L)\epsilon_t^2 \tag{2.2}$$

where

$$B(L) = - \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_i L^i$$

$$A(L) = \sum_{i=1}^q a_i L^i$$

$$\beta_0 = -1$$

COROLLARY 1. *The univariate ARMA representations of h_t and y_t are given by*

$$B^*(L)h_t = \omega + A(L)v_t \tag{2.3}$$

where

$$B^*(L) = B(L) - A(L) = \prod_{i=1}^{p^*} (1 - f_i^* L)$$

$$p^* = \max(p, q)$$

$$v_t = \epsilon_t^2 - h_t$$

and

$$B^*(L)\Phi(L)y_t = \phi^\circ + \delta A(L)v_t + \Theta(L)B^*(L)\epsilon_t \quad (2.4)$$

where

$$\phi^\circ = \phi B^*(1) + \delta\omega$$

The v_t are uncorrelated but they are not independent and have a very complicated distribution. It is not difficult to show (Karanasos, 1999a) that under conditional normality we have that

$$\text{var}(v_t) = \frac{2}{3}E(\epsilon_t^4)$$

The fourth moment of the errors is given in He and Teräsvirta (1999), Karanasos (1999a) and Ling 2000. A general condition for the existence of the $2m$ -th moment is given by Ling (2000); see also Ling and Li (1997).

PROOF. In (2.2) we add and subtract $A(L)h_t$ to give (2.3). Moreover, multiplication of (2.1) by $B^*(L)$ and substitution of (2.3) into (2.1) gives (2.4). ■

ASSUMPTION 1. All the roots of the autoregressive polynomial $[\Phi(L)]$ and all the roots of the moving average polynomial $[\Theta(L)]$ lie outside the unit circle (stationarity and invertibility conditions for the ARMA model).

ASSUMPTION 2. The polynomials $\Phi(L)$ and $\Theta(L)$ have no common left factors other than unimodular ones, i.e. if

$$\Phi(L) = U(L)\Phi_1(L) \quad \text{and} \quad \Theta(L) = U(L)\Theta_1(L)$$

then the common factor $U(L)$ must be unimodular (irreducibility condition for the ARMA model).

ASSUMPTION 3. All the roots of the autoregressive polynomial $[B^*(L)]$ and all the roots of the MA polynomial $[A(L)]$ lie outside the unit circle (stationarity and invertibility conditions for the GARCH model).

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In what follows, we only examine the case where the roots of the AR polynomials $[\Phi(L), B^*(L)]$ are distinct.

COROLLARY 2. *Under Assumptions 1–5, the canonical factorization (CF) of the autocovariance generating function (AGF) for y_t is given by*

$$g_z(y) = \frac{\delta A(z)A(z^{-1})\sigma_v^2}{\Phi(z)B^*(z)\Phi(z^{-1})B^*(z^{-1})} + \frac{\Theta(z)\Theta(z^{-1})\sigma_\epsilon^2}{\Phi(z)\Phi(z^{-1})} = \sum_{j=0}^\infty f_j \gamma_j (z^j + z^{-j}) \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$f_j = \begin{cases} 0.5 & \text{if } j = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and the γ_j are given in Theorem 3.

Under Assumptions 1–5, the infinite-order MA representation of y_{t+i} is given by

$$y_{t+i} = \frac{\phi^\circ}{B^*(1)\Phi(1)} + \sum_{n=0}^\infty [\delta g_n v_{t+i-n} + s_n \epsilon_{t+i-n}] \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$g_n = \sum_{l=1}^{r+p^*} \sum_{j=1}^{\min(n,q)} u_{l0} \hat{l}^{n-j} a_j$$

$$u_{lt} = \begin{cases} \frac{\zeta_{l,t+p^*}}{\prod_{j=1}^{p^*} (\lambda_l - f_j^*)} & \text{if } l = 1, 2, \dots, r \\ \frac{(f_m^*)^{t+r+p^*-1}}{\prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq m}}^{p^*} (f_m^* - f_j^*) \prod_{j=1}^r (f_m^* - \lambda_j)} & \text{if } l = r + m, 1 \leq m \leq p^* \end{cases}$$

$$\zeta_{l,t} = \frac{\lambda_l^{t+r-1}}{\prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq l}}^r (\lambda_l - \lambda_j)}$$

$$s_n = - \sum_{l=1}^r \sum_{j=0}^{\min(n,s)} \zeta_{l0} \lambda_l^{n-j} \theta_j$$

$$\lambda_l^\circ = \begin{cases} \lambda_l & \text{if } l = 1, \dots, r \\ f_m^* & \text{if } l = r + m, 1 \leq m \leq p^* \end{cases}$$

PROOF. The proof of (2.5) follows immediately from the univariate ARMA representation (2.4) and the CF of the AGF of an ARMA model given in

Nerlove *et al.* (1979, pp. 70–8), and Sargent (1987, pp. 247–9). The proof of (2.6) follows directly from the univariate ARMA representation (2.4) and the Wold representation of an ARMA model given in Pandit (1973) and Pandit and Wu (1983, p. 105).

In the following theorem, we present closed form algebraic expressions for the optimal predictor (and its associated MSE) of future values for the conditional mean from the above model. We obtain the expression for the optimal predictor by using a new method³ for solving a linear homogeneous difference equation together with a technique for the manipulation of lag polynomials used in Sargent (1987). We believe that our method gives a useful insight into the treatment of linear stochastic difference equations. Another advantage of our method is that it can be used to derive formulae for the multi-period predictions from the GARCH-M-L model⁴ (Fountas *et al.*, 2000). In addition, our method can be applied to even more complicated GARCH models like the component GARCH, the asymmetric power ARCH and the switching ARCH.⁵ Finally, our method can easily be generalized to multivariate GARCH and GARCH-in-mean models.⁶

THEOREM 1. *Under Assumptions 1–5, the i -step-ahead predictor of y_{t+i} is readily seen to be*

$$E_t(y_{t+i}) = \phi' + \delta \sum_{n=0}^{q-1} z_{in}^{\circ} v_{t-n} + \sum_{n=0}^{s-1} z_{in} \epsilon_{t-n} + \sum_{n=0}^{r+p^*-1} x_{in}^{\circ} y_{t-n} \quad (2.7)$$

where

$$z_{in}^{\circ} = \sum_{l=1}^{r+p^*} \sum_{j=n+1}^{\min(i+n,q)} u_{l0} (\lambda_l^i)^{i+n-j} a_j$$

$$x_{in}^{\circ} = \sum_{l=1}^{r+p^*} u_{li} \gamma_{ln}$$

$$\gamma_{l0} = 1$$

$$\gamma_{ln} = (-1)^n \prod_{j=1}^n \left[\sum_{\substack{k_j=k_{j-1}+1 \\ k_j \neq l}}^{r+p^*-(n-j)} \right] \prod_{j=1}^n (\lambda_{k_j}^e)$$

$$k_0 = 0$$

$$z_{in} = - \sum_{l=1}^r \sum_{j=n+1}^{\min(i+n,s)} \xi_{l0} \lambda_l^{i+n-j} \theta_j$$

$$\phi' = \phi^\circ \left[\frac{1}{B^*(1)\Phi(1)} - \sum_{l=1}^{r+p^*} \bar{u}_{li} \right]$$

$$\bar{u}_{li} = \frac{u_{li}}{1 - \lambda_i^\circ}$$

and where u_{li} and λ_i° are given in (2.6).

It is important to note that, in the presence of GARCH in mean effects, the optimal predictor for the conditional mean is a function of past values, not only of the observations and the errors (y_{t-n}, ϵ_{t-n}) but of the conditional variances and the squared errors ($h_{t-n}, \epsilon_{t-n}^2$) as well.

PROOF. The proof follows from the univariate ARMA representation (2.4) and the methodology presented in Appendix A.

In many applications in financial economics, the primary interest centres on the forecast for the future conditional variance. Such instances include option pricing as discussed by Lamoureux and Lastrapes (1990) and Day and Lewis (1992), the efficient determination of the market rate of return as examined in Chou (1988), and the relationship between stock market volatility and the business cycle as analysed by Schwert (1989). In these situations, it is therefore of interest to be able to characterize the uncertainty associated with the forecasts for the future conditional variances as well. Some potentially useful results for this purpose are given in Lemma 1 and Theorem 2.

LEMMA 1. *The forecast error for the above i-step-ahead predictor is given by*

$$FE_t(y_{t+i}) = y_{t+i} - E_t(y_{t+i}) = \sum_{n=0}^{i-1} [\delta g_n v_{t+i-n} + s_n \epsilon_{t+i-n}] \tag{2.8}$$

with unconditional and conditional MSE given by

$$V[FE_t(y_{t+i})] = \delta^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) E(\epsilon_t^4) \sum_{n=1}^{i-1} g_n^2 + E(\epsilon_t^2) \sum_{n=0}^{i-1} s_n^2 \tag{2.9}$$

$$V_t[FE_t(y_{t+i})] = 2\delta^2 \sum_{n=1}^{i-1} g_n^2 E_t(h_{t+i-n}^2) + \sum_{n=0}^{i-1} s_n^2 E_t(h_{t+i-n}) \tag{2.10}$$

where s_n and g_n are as given in (2.6).

Note that in the presence of GARCH in mean effects the conditional MSE is a function of the forecasts of the future values not only of the conditional variance but of the squared conditional variance as well.

Observe that the above formulae when $\Phi(L) = \delta = 1$ and $\Theta(L) = 0$ give the i period forecast error (and its conditional and unconditional variances) of the conditional variance.

PROOF. The proof follows immediately from the infinite-order MA representation (2.6).

THEOREM 2. *The i -period ahead forecast for the squared conditional variance h_t^2 is given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_t(h_{t+i}^2) = & \bar{\omega} + \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \psi_{j,i}^\epsilon \epsilon_{t-j}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \psi_{j,i}^h h_{t-j} + \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} \psi_{j,i}^{\epsilon^2} \epsilon_{t-j}^4 \\
 & + \sum_{k_1=0}^{q-2} \sum_{k_2=k_1+1}^{q-1} \psi_{k_1 k_2, i}^{\epsilon^2} \epsilon_{t-k_1}^2 \epsilon_{t-k_2}^2 + \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \psi_{j,i}^{h^2} h_{t-j}^2 \\
 & + \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \psi_{l,j,i}^{\epsilon h} \epsilon_{t-l}^2 h_{t-j} + \sum_{k_1=0}^{p-2} \sum_{k_2=k_1+1}^{p-1} \psi_{k_1 k_2, i}^{h^2} h_{t-k_1} h_{t-k_2} \quad (2.11)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the $\bar{\omega}$ and all the ψ are functions of the GARCH parameters which can be obtained from a system of difference equations given in Appendix B.

The above expression is very useful because the optimal forecasts of the squared conditional variance is needed to obtain the conditional variance of the forecast error associated with the optimal forecast for the conditional mean from the ARMA-GARCH-M model; see equation (2.10).

In Theorem 3, we give a formula for the covariance structure of the ARMA-GARCH-M model which includes several simpler models as special cases.

THEOREM 3. *Under Assumptions 1–5, the autocovariance function of y_t is given by*

$$\gamma_j = \text{cov}_j(y_t) = \sum_{i=1}^r e_{ij} z_{i,j} \text{var}(\epsilon_t) + \sum_{i=1}^{r+p^*} \pi_{ij} d_{i,j} \text{var}(v_t) \quad (2.12)$$

where

$$e_{ij} = \frac{\lambda_i^{j+r-1}}{\prod_{l=1}^r (1 - \lambda_l \lambda_i) \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^r (\lambda_i - \lambda_k)} = \frac{\zeta_{ij}}{\prod_{l=1}^r (1 - \lambda_l \lambda_i)}$$

$$\pi_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda_i^{j+r+p^*-1}}{\prod_{l=1}^r (1 - \lambda_l \lambda_i) \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^r (\lambda_i - \lambda_k) \prod_{l=1}^{p^*} (1 - \lambda_i f_l^*) \prod_{k=1}^{p^*} (\lambda_i - f_k^*)} & \text{if } i = 1, \dots, r \\ \frac{(f_n^*)^{j+r+p^*-1}}{\prod_{l=1}^r (1 - f_n^* \lambda_l) \prod_{l=1}^{p^*} (1 - f_n^* f_l^*) \prod_{k=1}^r (f_n^* - \lambda_k) \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq n}}^{p^*} (f_n^* - f_k^*)} & \text{if } i = r + n, 1 \leq n \leq p^* \end{cases}$$

$$z_{i,j} = \sum_{k=0}^s \theta_k^2 + \sum_{l=1}^j \sum_{k=0}^{s-l} \theta_k \theta_{k+l} (\lambda_i^l + \lambda_i^{-l}) + \sum_{l=j+1}^s \sum_{k=0}^{s-l} \theta_k \theta_{k+l} (\lambda_i^l + \lambda_i^{l-2j})$$

$$d_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^q a_k^2 + \sum_{l=1}^j \sum_{k=1}^{q-l} a_k a_{k+l} [(\lambda_{\circ}^i)^l + (\lambda_{\circ}^i)^{-l}] + \sum_{l=j+1}^{q-1} \sum_{k=1}^{q-l} a_k a_{k+l} [(\lambda_{\circ}^i)^l + (\lambda_{\circ}^i)^{l-2j}]$$

$$\lambda_{\circ}^i = \lambda_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, r$$

$$\lambda_{\circ}^i = f_n^* \quad \text{for } i = r + n, 1 \leq n \leq p^*$$

$$j \geq 0.$$

Observe that the above general formula incorporates the following results as special cases:

1. The ACF for the white noise process with GARCH(1, 1) in mean effects given in Hong (1991)
2. The ACF for the ARMA(*r*, *s*) model given in Zinde-Walsh (1988) and Karanasos (1998, 1999b)
3. The ACF of the conditional variance for the GARCH(*p*, *q*) model

PROOF. The covariance structure can be derived by using the following three alternative methods:

- (i) the one used in Karanasos (1999a)
- (ii) the one based on the CF of the AGF (2.5), and
- (iii) the one based on the infinite-order MA representation (2.6).⁷

THEOREM 4. *The CF of the cross covariance GF between y_t and h_t ($g_z(yh)$) is given by*

$$g_z(yh) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma_m z^m = \frac{A(z)A(z^{-1})}{\Phi(z)B^*(z)B^*(z^{-1})} \delta\sigma_v^2 \quad (2.13)$$

Moreover, the cross covariances (γ_m) are given by

$$\gamma_m = \text{cov}(y_t, h_{t-m}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^{r+p^*} e_{im}^{\lambda^{\circ*}} z_{i,m}^{\lambda^{\circ}} + \sum_{i=1}^{p^*} e_{im}^{f^*} z_i^{f,m} & \text{if } m \geq 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^{p^*} e_{i|m|}^{f^*} z_{i|m|}^f + \sum_{i=1}^{r+p^*} e_{i|m|}^{\lambda^{\circ*}} z_i^{\lambda^{\circ},|m|} & \text{if } m < 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.14)$$

where

$$e_{im}^{\lambda^{\circ*}} = \frac{e_{im}^{\lambda^{\circ}}}{\prod_{k=1}^{p^*} (1 - \lambda_i^{\circ} f_k^*)}$$

$$e_{im}^{\lambda^{\circ}} = \frac{(\lambda_i^{\circ})^{r+p^*-1+m}}{\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^{r+p^*} (\lambda_i^{\circ} - \lambda_k^{\circ})}$$

$$e_{im}^{f^*} = \frac{e_{im}^f}{\prod_{k=1}^{r+p^*} (1 - f_i^* \lambda_k^{\circ})}$$

$$e_{im}^f = \frac{(f_i^*)^{p^*-1+m}}{\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^{p^*} (f_i^* - f_k^*)}$$

$$z_i^{f,m} = \sum_{l=m+1}^{q-1} \sum_{k=1}^{q-1} a_k a_{k+l} (f_i^*)^{l-2m}$$

$$z_{im}^{\lambda^{\circ}} = \sum_{k=1}^q a_k^2 + \sum_{l=1}^{q-1} \sum_{k=1}^{q-l} a_k a_{k+l} (\lambda_i^{\circ})^l + \sum_{l=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{q-l} a_k a_{k+l} (\lambda_i^{\circ})^{-l}$$

Observe that the above general formula when $\Phi(L) = \delta = 1$ gives the autocovariance function of the conditional variance.

PROOF. The proof of (2.13) follows directly from the univariate ARMA representations (2.3), (2.4) and the CF of the AGF of ARMA processes given in Sargent (1987, pp. 247–9). The cross covariances (γ_m) can be obtained by using either the CF of the CGF (2.13) or the infinite-order MA representations of the process (2.6) and its conditional variance, together with the techniques given in Karanasos (1999c). ■

COROLLARY 3. *The bivariate ARMA representation of the GARCH-in-mean model⁸ is given by*

$$\overline{\Phi}(L)\overline{y}_t = \overline{A}_0 + \overline{\Theta}(L)\overline{\epsilon}_t \tag{2.15}$$

where

$$\overline{\Phi}(L) = - \sum_{l=0}^{\max(r,p^*)} \overline{\Phi}_l L^l$$

$$\overline{\Theta}(L) = \sum_{l=0}^{\max(s,q)} \overline{\Theta}_l L^l$$

$$\overline{\Phi}_l = \begin{bmatrix} \phi'_l & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_l^{*'} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\Theta}_l = \begin{bmatrix} -\theta'_l & 0 \\ 0 & a'_l \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\Phi}_0 = - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \delta \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\Theta}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\epsilon}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_t \\ v_t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi'_l = \begin{cases} \phi_l & \text{if } l \leq r \\ 0 & \text{if } l > r \end{cases}$$

$$\beta_l^{*'} = \begin{cases} \beta_l^* & \text{if } l \leq p^* \\ 0 & \text{if } l > p^* \end{cases}$$

$$\theta_l = \begin{cases} \theta_l & \text{if } l \leq s \\ 0 & \text{if } l > s \end{cases}$$

$$a_l = \begin{cases} a_l & \text{if } l \leq q \\ 0 & \text{if } l > q \end{cases}$$

PROOF. The proof follows immediately from Corollary 1.

3. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Despite the extensive literature on GARCH and related models, relatively little attention has been given to the issue of forecasting in models where time-dependent conditional heteroscedasticity is present.

In this paper, we focused on the prediction from an ARMA model with GARCH in mean effects. We showed that, for processes with feedback from the conditional variance to the conditional mean, the forms of the optimal predictor of the process and its MSE are considerably complicated. In addition, we gave the Wold representations of the conditional mean and variance of the process. These formulae can be used to obtain alternative expressions for the MMSE predictors of the process and its conditional variance in terms of an infinite number of past observations and errors. Moreover, we gave the CF of the AGF for the process and its conditional variance which we subsequently used to obtain their autocovariances. We also obtained the covariances between the process and its conditional variance.

Furthermore, we gave expressions for the MMSE predictors of future values of both the conditional variance and the squared conditional variance. These optimal predictors were subsequently used to obtain the conditional MSE associated with the optimal predictor of the future values of the conditional mean. Finally, we gave the bivariate ARMA representation of the process and its conditional variance. This representation can be used in conjunction with the methodology in Yamamoto (1981) to obtain expressions for the MMSE predictors and their variances in computationally convenient algorithmic forms.

The potential generalizations of the simple ARMA-GARCH-M model are numerous. To state a few:

- (a) The ARMA-asymmetric power GARCH in mean model
- (b) The ARMA-GARCH-M-L model
- (c) The ARMA-component GARCH in mean model
- (d) The multivariate GARCH in mean model⁹ (MGARCH-M)

Note that this study only examined the case where the roots of the autoregressive polynomials of the processes are distinct. Thus, one potentially important issue, not addressed in this paper, relates to the effect of equal roots.

APPENDIX A. OPTIMAL PREDICTOR OF AN ARMA MODEL

Let y_t follow an ARMA(r, s) process

$$y_{t+i} = \phi + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j y_{t+i-j} - \sum_{j=0}^s \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-j} \tag{A.1}$$

$$\theta_0 = -1$$

We will first give the definite solution of the homogeneous deterministic component ($y_{t,i}^d$) of the ARMA(r, s) process (y_{t+i}) and we will subsequently use a technique provided in Sargent (1987), together with the definite solution ($y_{t,i}^d$), to derive the optimal predictor¹⁰ and the associated MSE of y_{t+i} .

The definite solution of the r -order deterministic difference equation

$$\Phi(L)y_{t+i} = 0$$

$$\Phi(L) = \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - \lambda_j L)$$

is

$$y_{t+i} = \sum_{n=0}^{r-1} x_{in} y_{t-n} \tag{A.2}$$

where

$$x_{in} = \sum_{j=1}^r \zeta_{ji} \gamma_{jn}$$

$$\zeta_{ji} = \frac{\lambda_j^{i+r-1}}{\prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq j}}^r (\lambda_j - \lambda_l)}$$

$$\gamma_{jn} = (-1)^n \prod_{l=1}^n \left[\sum_{\substack{k_l=k_{l-1}+1 \\ k_l \neq j}}^{r-(n-l)} \right] \prod_{l=1}^n (\lambda_{k_l})$$

$$\gamma_{j0} = 1$$

$$k_0 = 0$$

We will prove the above by induction. If we assume that (A.2) holds for a $(r - 1)$ -order difference equation, then it will be sufficient to prove that it holds for an r -order difference equation.

y_{t+i} can be expressed as an AR(1) process with an error term which follows a $(r - 1)$ -order difference equation

$$y_{t+i} = \lambda_1 y_{t+i-1} + x_{t+i}$$

$$\prod_{j=2}^r (1 - \lambda_j L) x_{t+i} = 0 \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Using backward substitution in the above equation, gives

$$y_{t+i} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \lambda_1^j x_{t+i-j} + \lambda_1^i y_t \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Since x follows a $(r-1)$ -order difference equation:

$$x_{t+i-l} = \sum_{n=0}^{r-2} \sum_{j=2}^r x_{t-n} \zeta_{j,i-l}^{r-1} \gamma_{jn}^{r-1} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where

$$\zeta_{j,i-l}^{r-1} = \frac{\lambda_j^{i-l+r-2}}{r \prod_{\substack{k=2 \\ k \neq j}}^r (\lambda_j - \lambda_k)}$$

$$\gamma_{jn}^{r-1} = (-1)^n \prod_{l=1}^n \left[\sum_{\substack{k_l=k_{l-1}+1 \\ k_l \neq j}}^{(r-1)-(n-l)} (\lambda_{k_l}) \right] \prod_{l=1}^n (\lambda_{k_l})$$

$$k_0 = 1$$

$$\gamma_{j0}^{r-1} = 1$$

Substituting (A.5) into (A.4), after some algebra, gives

$$y_{t+i} = \sum_{n=0}^{r-2} \sum_{j=2}^r x_{t-n} (\zeta_{jn}^{r-1} \gamma_{jn}^{r-1} - \lambda_1^i \zeta_{j0}^r \gamma_{jn}^{r-1}) + \lambda_1^i y_t \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where

$$\zeta_{ji}^r = \frac{\lambda_j^{i+r-1}}{r \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^r (\lambda_j - \lambda_k)}$$

Finally, substituting sequentially in the above equation gives

$$x_{t-k} = y_{t-k} - \lambda_1 y_{t-k-1} \quad k = 0, \dots, r-2 \quad (\text{A.7})$$

and using

$$1 - \sum_{j=2}^r \zeta_{j0}^r = \zeta_{10}^r$$

where

$$\sum_{j=2}^r \zeta_{j0}^r \gamma_{jk-1}^r = \zeta_{10}^r \gamma_{1k-1}^r \quad \text{for } k \geq 2 \quad (\text{A.8})$$

and where γ_{jn}^r is given by (A.5) with $k_0 = 0$, gives equation (A.2). ■

Using Sargent's (1987) technique and (A.2), we express y_{t+i} as

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{t+i} &= \phi + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j y_{t+i-j} - \sum_{j=0}^s \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-j} \\
 &= \frac{\phi}{\prod_{j=1}^r (1 - \lambda_j)} - \frac{\sum_{j=0}^s \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-j}}{\prod_{j=1}^r (1 - \lambda_j L)} \\
 &= \phi \sum_{j=1}^r \bar{\zeta}_{j0}^r - \sum_{j=0}^s \sum_{n=1}^r \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-j} \beta_n \zeta_{n0}^r \\
 &= \phi \sum_{n=1}^r \zeta_{n0}^r a_{n,i-1} - \sum_{j=0}^s \sum_{n=1}^r \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-j} \beta_{n,i-1} \zeta_{n0}^r + y_{t,i}^d \tag{A.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_n &= \frac{1}{1 - \lambda_n L} \\
 \zeta_{n0}^r &= \frac{\lambda_n^{r-1}}{\prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq n}}^r (\lambda_n - \lambda_j)} \\
 \bar{\zeta}_{n0}^r &= \frac{\zeta_{n0}^r}{1 - \lambda_n} \\
 \beta_{n,i-1} &= \frac{1}{1 - \lambda_n L_{i-1}} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (\lambda_n L)^j \\
 a_{n,i-1} &= \frac{1}{1 - \lambda_{n,t-1}} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \lambda_n^j
 \end{aligned}$$

and $y_{t,i}^d$ is given by (A.2).

From (A.9), some algebra, gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{t+i} &= \phi \left[\frac{1}{\Phi(1)} - \sum_{l=1}^r \bar{\zeta}_{li}^r \right] - \sum_{l=1}^r \sum_{n=0}^{i-1} \sum_{j=0}^{\min(n,s)} \zeta_{l0}^r \lambda_l^{n-j} \theta_j \epsilon_{t+i-n} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{l=1}^r \sum_{n=0}^{s-1} \sum_{j=n+1}^{\min(i+n,s)} \zeta_{l0}^r \lambda_l^{i+n-j} \theta_j \epsilon_{t-n} + y_{t,i}^d \tag{A.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking the conditional expectation of (A.10), as of time t , gives the i -period optimal predictor of y_{t+i} . In addition, using (A.10), it gives the i period forecast error. ■

APPENDIX B. PROOF OF THEOREM 2

Let h_t follow a GARCH(p, q) process (for simplicity, we will assume that $p > q$).

$$B(L)h_t = \omega + A(L)\epsilon_t^2 \quad (\text{B.1})$$

From equation (B.1):

$$\omega_{t+p-i} = \hat{\omega}\phi_{t+p-i} + \sum_{j=1}^{q^*} a_j \lambda_{j,t+p-i} + \sum_{j=1}^{p^*} \beta_j c_{j,t+p-i} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

where

$$\hat{\omega} = \left[\omega + \sum_{j=0}^i \beta_{p-i+j} h_{t-j} + \sum_{j=0}^{i-(p-q)} a_{p-i+j} \epsilon_{t-j}^2 \right]$$

$$\lambda_{j,t+p-i} = \hat{\omega}\phi_{t+p-i-j} + (3a_j + \beta_j)\omega_{t+p-i-j} + \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_k + \beta_k)\lambda_{j-k,t+p-i-k}$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{p^*-j} (a_{k+j}\lambda_{k,t+p-i-j} + \beta_{k+j}c_{k,t+p-i-j})$$

$$c_{j,t+p-i} = \hat{\omega}\phi_{t+p-i-j} + (a_j + \beta_j)\omega_{t+p-i-j} + \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} (a_k + \beta_k)c_{j-k,t+p-i-k}$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{p^*-j} (a_{k+j}\lambda_{k,t+p-i-j} + \beta_{k+j}c_{k,t+p-i-j})$$

$$\omega_{t+p-i} = E_t(h_{t+p-i}^2)$$

$$\phi_{t+p-i} = E_t(h_{t+p-i})$$

$$\lambda_{j,t+p-i} = E_t(\epsilon_{t+p-i}^2 \epsilon_{t+p-i-j}^2)$$

$$c_{j,t+p-i} = E_t(h_{t+p-i}, h_{t+p-i-j})$$

$$a_k = 0 \quad \text{for } k > q^*$$

$$\beta_k = 0 \quad \text{for } k > p^*$$

$$q^* = q - \max[0, i - (p - q) + 1]$$

$$p^* = p - \max(0, i + 1)$$

and where i can be any negative number and a positive number less than $p - 2$.

The expressions of $\lambda_{j,t+p-i}$ and $c_{j,t+p-i}$ can be written in a VAR ($p^* + q^*, p^* - 1$) form

$$\lambda_{t+p-i}^* = \sum_{\delta=1}^{p^*-1} A_{\delta} L \lambda_{t+p-i-\delta}^* + \omega_{t+p-i}^* \Rightarrow \bar{A}(L) \lambda_{t+p-i}^* = \omega_{t+p-i}^* \tag{B.3}$$

$$\bar{A}(L) = \left(I - \sum_{\delta=1}^{p^*-1} A_{\delta} L^{\delta} \right)$$

λ_{t+p-i}^* is a $((p^* + q^*) \times 1)$ vector matrix; its j 1-th element is

$$\lambda_{j1}^* = \lambda_{j,t+p-i} \quad \text{for } j \leq q^* \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{j1}^* = c_{k,t+p-i} \quad \text{for } j \geq q^* + k, (1 \leq k \leq p^*)$$

ω_{t+p-i}^* is a $((p^* + q^*) \times 1)$ vector matrix; its j 1-th element is

$$\omega_{j1}^* = \hat{\omega} \phi_{t+p-i-j} + (3a_j + \beta_j) \omega_{t+p-i-j} \quad \text{for } j \leq q^*$$

and

$$\omega_{j1}^* = \hat{\omega} \phi_{t+p-i-k} + (a_k + \beta_k) \omega_{t+p-i-k} \quad \text{for } j \geq q^* + k, (1 \leq k \leq p^*)$$

A_{δ} is a $((p^* + q^*) \times (p^* + q^*))$ matrix, consisting of four submatrices

$$A_{\delta} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{\lambda\lambda}^{\delta} & A_{\lambda c}^{\delta} \\ A_{c\lambda}^{\delta} & A_{cc}^{\delta} \end{bmatrix} \tag{B.4}$$

$A_{\lambda\lambda}^{\delta}$ is a $(q^* \times q^*)$ matrix; its jm -th element is given by

$$a_{jm}^{\delta,\lambda\lambda} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j < \delta \\ a_{m+\delta} & \text{if } j = \delta \\ a_{\delta} + \beta_{\delta} & \text{if } j > \delta, m = j - \delta \\ 0 & \text{if } j > \delta, m \neq j - \delta \end{cases}$$

$A_{\lambda c}^{\delta}$ is a $(q^* \times p^*)$ matrix; its jm -th element is given by

$$a_{jm}^{\delta,\lambda c} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j \geq \delta \\ \beta_{m+\delta} & \text{if } j = \delta \end{cases}$$

$A_{c\lambda}^{\delta}$ is a $(p^* \times q^*)$ matrix; its jm -th element is given by

$$a_{jm}^{\delta,c\lambda} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j \geq \delta \\ a_{m+\delta} & \text{if } j = \delta \end{cases}$$

A_{cc}^{δ} is a $(p^* \times p^*)$ matrix; its jm -th element is given by

$$a_{jm}^{\delta,cc} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j < \delta \\ \beta_{m+\delta} & \text{if } j = \delta \\ a_{\delta} + \beta_{\delta} & \text{if } j > \delta, m = j - \delta \\ 0 & \text{if } j > \delta, m \neq j - \delta \end{cases}$$

Solving the above $\text{VAR}(p^* + q^*, p^* - 1)$ model and substituting the solution into (B.2) gives

$$\mu(L) \omega_{t+p-i} = \xi(L) \phi_{t+p-i} \tag{B.5}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu(L) &= \sum_{j=0}^{2p^*-1} \mu_j L^j \\
&= \prod_{j=1}^{2p^*-1} (1 - \mu_j^* L) \\
&= \gamma(L) - \sum_{j=1}^{p^*} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{q^*} [a_j \gamma_{jk}(L) + \beta_j \gamma_{q^*+j,k}(L)] (3a_k + \beta_k) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^{p^*} [a_j \gamma_{j,q^*+k}(L) + \beta_j \gamma_{q^*+j,q^*+k}(L)] (a_k + \beta_k) \right\} L^k
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi(L) &= \sum_{j=0}^{2p^*-1} \xi_j L^j \\
&= \hat{\omega} \left\{ \gamma(L) + \sum_{j=1}^{p^*} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{q^*} [a_j \gamma_{jk}(L) + \beta_j \gamma_{q^*+j,k}(L)] \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{k=1}^{p^*} [a_j \gamma_{j,q^*+k}(L) + \beta_j \gamma_{q^*+j,q^*+k}(L)] \right\} L^k \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$\gamma_{ij}(L)$ is the ij -th element of $\Gamma(L)$. $\Gamma(L)$ is the cofactor of $\bar{A}(L)$ and $\gamma(L)$ is the determinant of $\bar{A}(L)$. The solution of the above system of difference equations will be of the form of expression (2.11). ■

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NOTES

1. The GARCH-M-L model was introduced by Longstaff and Schwartz (1992) and includes the GARCH-X model of Brenner *et al.* (1996) as a special case; see also Baillie *et al.* (1996) and Grier and Perry (1998).
2. The autocovariance function of the squared errors for the GARCH(p, q) model is given in He and Teräsvirta (1999) and Karanasos (1999a).
3. We express the r -th order difference equation as an AR(1) process with an error term which follows a $r - 1$ difference equation. We obtain y_t as a function of r past values and the roots of the associated auxiliary equation. For an excellent discussion on solutions of linear difference equations see Brockwell and Davis (1987, Sect. 3.6) or Wei (1989, pp. 27–30).

4. The GARCH-M-L model was introduced by Longstaff and Schwartz (1992) as a discretization of their two-factor short-term interest rate model.
5. The component GARCH model was introduced by Ding and Granger (1996); the asymmetric power ARCH was introduced by Ding, Granger and Engle (1993); the switching ARCH and GARCH models were introduced by Hamilton and Susmel (1994) and Dueker (1997), respectively.
6. The statistical properties of the multivariate GARCH (MGARCH) model have been recently examined by researchers. For example, Lin (1997) analyses the impulse response function for conditional volatility in various MGARCH models. For a theoretical and empirical analysis of the multivariate GARCH-in-mean models, see Song (1996).
7. See Karanasos (1999c) for the use of methods (ii) and (iii) in the context of univariate and multivariate GARCH models.
8. One can use this bivariate ARMA representation and the techniques in Yamamoto (1981) to obtain expressions for the optimal predictors and their MSE in computationally convenient algorithmic forms.
 Yamamoto (1981) used the infinite order autoregressive representation of the multivariate ARMA model (which includes the univariate as a special case) to express the MMSE predictor as a function of an infinite number of past observations and he presented parametric expressions for the prediction weights. His prediction formula is particularly convenient in obtaining the asymptotic prediction MSE, when the prediction is formulated with estimated coefficients. Baillie (1980) obtained a formula for the MMSE predictor of an ARMAX model (which includes the simple ARMA as a special case) in terms of an infinite number of past observations and he also gave parametric expressions for the prediction weights. Alternative prediction formulae, such as those based upon the Markovian representations of the ARMA model (Akaike, 1974) contain error terms in their formulae. The relative literature includes, among others, Davisson (1965), Bloomfield (1972), Bhansali (1974), Schmidt (1974), Yamamoto (1976, 1978, 1980), and Baillie (1979).
9. The MGARCH in mean model as the univariate one has been widely used in the finance literature; see, for example, Kroner and Lastrapes (1993), Lee and Koray (1994) and Grier and Perry (1996).
10. Pandit and Wu (1983, pp. 179–98) uses the IMA representation of the ARMA(r, s) model to obtain the optimal predictor and its associated prediction error as a function of an infinite number of past errors. The coefficients in their formula (which they called Green's function) are expressed in terms of the roots of the AR polynomial and the parameters of the MA. In the case of distinct roots, these coefficients are given in Pandit and Wu (1983, pp. 105–6) when $s < r$ and in Pandit (1973, p. 100) when $s \geq r$. See also Pandit (1973, pp. 37–41) and Pandit and Wu (1983, pp. 177–9) for an excellent brief historical review of the prediction theory.
 Wei (1989, pp. 23–7, 86–8) uses the IMA representation to obtain MMSE forecasts, without giving a specific form for the prediction weights, and he also gives a recursive form for computing the optimal forecasts (pp. 91, 98). Brockwell and Davis (1987, Sect. 5.3, 5.5) present recursive methods for computing the best linear predictor and discuss ways to obtain the MMSE predictor based on the infinite order AR and MA representations. Nerbn *et al.* (1979, p. 93–4) provide a general scheme for computing least-squares forecasts which has been called unscrambling; see also Nerlove and Wage (1964). Other conventional recursive expressions to obtain the predictor can also be found in Box and Jenkins (1970, pp. 126–32). Additional references on multi-step predictions include the textbooks by Anderson (1976, Ch. 10), Granger and Newbold (1986, Ch. 4) and Hamilton (1994, Ch. 4).

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