

Limit theorems in asymptotic statistics for diffusions in volatility estimation

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Statistical estimation of the volatility

Today we will discuss:

- Asymptotic expansion of the realized volatility with a review of the martingale expansion
- Conditional martingale expansion
- Related topics
 - variance derivative
 - nonsynchronous covariance estimator

among many aspects of volatility estimation:

1. p-variation under irregular sampling
2. Mixed normal limit theorems under non-synchronous random sampling scheme

3. Asymptotic expansion for the non-synchronous covariance estimator in central limit case
4. Lead-lag estimation and non-synchronicity
5. Quasi-likelihood analysis for volatility Mixed normal type martingale expansion applied to the realized volatility
6. Mixed normal type martingale expansion applied to the realized volatility
7. Conditional inference and conditional asymptotic expansion
8. Volatility derivatives
9. Market microstructure
10. Implementation and data analysis

**Higher-order asymptotics for the realized
volatility**

Asymptotic expansion for the distribution: three principles*

- Small σ expansion

- Watanabe (AP1987), Kusuoka and Stroock (JFA1991)
- Applications to statistics:
Y (PTRF1992,1993),
Dermoune and Kutoyants (Stochastics1995),
Sakamoto and Y (JMA1996, SISP1998),
Uchida and Y (SISP2004),
Masuda and Y (StatProbLet2004),

– Application to option pricing:
Y (JJSS1992*),
Kunitomo and Takahashi (MathFinance2001),
Uchida and Y (SISP2004),
Takahashi and Y (SISP2004, JJSS2005),
Osajima (SSRN2007),
Takahashi and Takehara (2009,2010),
Andersen and Hutchings (SSRN2009),
Antonov and Misirpashaev (SSRN2009),
Chenxu Li (ColumbiaUniv2010),
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* <http://www.journalarchive.jst.go.jp/jnlpdf.php?cdjournal=jjss1970&cdvol=22&noissue=2&startpage=139&lang=ja&from=jnlto>

- **Mixing expansion:**

- **Kusuoka and Y (PTRF2000), Y (PTRF2004)**
- **Applications to statistics:**
 - Y (PTRF97),**
 - Sakamoto and Y (JJSS2003, AISM2004, AISM2009, JJSS2008, CommStat2010),**
 - Uchida and Y (SISP2006, SUTJMath2006),**
 - Kutoyants and Y (SISP2007),**
- **Applications to finance: Masuda and Y (SPA2005)**
- **Regenerative method: Fukasawa (PTRF2008)**

- Distributional martingale expansion (Central limit)
 - Yoshida (PTRF1997)
 - Statistics: Y, Sakamoto and Y (SISP1998),
 - Finance: Fukasawa (FinanceStoch2009)
- Here we discuss the martingale expansion in mixed normal limit and its application.

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- stochastic differential equation

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where $\Delta_j X = X_{t_j} - X_{t_{j-1}}$ and $t_j = j/n$.

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Method and Applications

- We apply an asymptotic-expansion scheme for martingales with mixed normal limit (Y 2008)
- Applications are:
 - Realized volatility (discussed in this talk)
 - Estimators in QLA for the volatility
 - Variance derivatives
 - Scenario depending risk evaluation (Conditional inference)

Martingale expansion and formula

Formula: Martingale expansion in mixed normal limits (Y 2008) (1)

A sequence of d -dimensional functionals

$$Z_n = M_n + W_n + r_n N_n.$$

- $M_n = M_1^n$ for some d -dimensional continuous martingale $M^n = (M_t^n)_{t \in [0,1]}$ with respect to \mathbf{F} .
- W_n and $N_n \in \mathcal{F}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)$
- $(r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of positive numbers tending to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$
- $C_t^n = \langle M^n \rangle_t$ and $C_n = \langle M^n \rangle_1$; they take values in $\mathbb{R}^d \otimes \mathbb{R}^d$.

Formula: Martingale expansion in mixed normal limits (2)

- **The tangent variables:** $\overset{\circ}{C}_n = r_n^{-1}(C_n - C_\infty)$, $\overset{\circ}{W}_n = r_n^{-1}(W_n - W_\infty)$, $\overset{\circ}{F}_n = r_n^{-1}(F_n - F_\infty)$
- **Suppose**
 - $(M^n, N_n, \overset{\circ}{C}_n, \overset{\circ}{W}_n, \overset{\circ}{F}_n)$
 $\rightarrow^{d_s(\mathcal{F})} (M^\infty, N_\infty, \overset{\circ}{C}_\infty, \overset{\circ}{W}_\infty, \overset{\circ}{F}_\infty)$
 - $\mathcal{L}\{M_t^\infty | \mathcal{F}\} = N_d(0, C_t^\infty)$.
- **Random symbols $\underline{\sigma}$ and $\bar{\sigma}$ are defined with those ingredients (see below).**

Formula: Martingale expansion in mixed normal limits (3)

- Let

$$\underline{\sigma}(z, iu, iv) = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{C}_\infty(z)^{j,k}(iu_j)(iu_k) + \tilde{W}_\infty(z)^j(iu_j) + \tilde{N}_\infty(z)^j(iu_j) + \tilde{F}_\infty(z)^l(iv_l)$$

for $u = (u_j) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $v = (v_l) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1}$, where $\tilde{C}_\infty(z)$, $\tilde{W}_\infty(z)$ and $\tilde{F}_\infty(z)$ are defined from $\overset{\circ}{C}_\infty$, $\overset{\circ}{W}_\infty(z)$ and $\overset{\circ}{F}_\infty$, respectively.

- The “adaptive” random symbol $\underline{\sigma}$ corresponding to the classical second-order correction term of Y. (1997).
- The “anticipative” random symbol $\bar{\sigma}(iu, iv)$ newly appeared in the mixed limit case.

- For example, for the quadratic form

$$M_t^n = r_n^{-1} \sum_j \int_{t_{j-1} \wedge t}^{t_j \wedge t} \dot{K}^n(s) \otimes \left(\int_{t_{j-1}}^s \ddot{K}^n(r) dw_r \right) dw_s,$$

the random symbol $\bar{\sigma}(iu, iv)$ becomes

$$\bar{\sigma}(iu, iv) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{Tr}^* \int_0^1 \bar{K}^\infty(t, t)[iu] \otimes \sigma_{t,t}(iu, iv) \mu(dt),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{s,r}(iu, iv) = & \frac{1}{2} D_r C_s^\infty[u^{\otimes 2}] \otimes \left(i D_s W_\infty[u] - \frac{1}{2} D_s C_\infty[u^{\otimes 2}] + i D_s F_\infty[v] \right) \\ & + \left(i D_r W_\infty[u] - \frac{1}{2} D_r C_\infty[u^{\otimes 2}] + i D_r F_\infty[v] \right) \\ & \otimes \left(i D_s W_\infty[u] - \frac{1}{2} D_s C_\infty[u^{\otimes 2}] + i D_s F_\infty[v] \right) \\ & + \left(i D_r D_s W_\infty[u] - \frac{1}{2} D_r D_s C_\infty[u^{\otimes 2}] + i D_r D_s F_\infty[v] \right). \end{aligned}$$

Formula: Martingale expansion in mixed normal limits (4)

Set

$$\sigma = \underline{\sigma} + \bar{\sigma}. \quad (1)$$

With Watanabe's delta functional, let

$$p_n(z, x) = E \left[\phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right] \\ + r_n E \left[\sigma(z, \partial_z, \partial_x)^* \left\{ \phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right\} \right].$$

* For more information, see ISM Research Memorandum 1125 (2010).

Return to Quadratic form for a diffusion process

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Stochastic expansion

$$Z_n = M_1^n + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}N_n,$$

where

$$M_t^n = \sqrt{n} \sum_{j=1}^n 2c_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^2 \int_{t_{j-1}}^t \int_{t_{j-1}}^s dw_r dw_s,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N_n = & 6n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \int_{t_{j-1}}^t \int_{t_{j-1}}^s dw_u dw_s dw_t \\ & + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} b_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} dw_t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +2n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} (t - t_{j-1}) dw_t \\
& +2n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} b_{t_{j-1}} \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \int_{t_{j-1}}^t dw_s dt \\
& +n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} b_{t_{j-1}}^2 + n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} b_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} \\
& -n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^2 \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} \int_{t_{j-1}}^t dw_s dt \\
& -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}}^{[0]} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n c_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} \sigma_{t_{j-1}} \sigma_{t_{j-1}}^{[1]} + o_M(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Here $o_M(1)$ denotes a term of $o(1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ with respect to $\mathbb{D}_{s,p}$ -norms of any order.

We wrote b_t for $b(X_t)$ and σ_t for $\sigma(X_t)$. The Itô decomposition of $\sigma_t = \sigma(X_t)$ is denoted by

$$\sigma_t = \sigma_0 + \int_0^t \sigma_s^{[1]} dw_s + \int_0^t \sigma_s^{[0]} ds.$$

Though $\sigma_s^{[1]}$ and $\sigma_s^{[2]}$ have a simple expression with b , σ and X_s , those symbols are convenient to simplify the notation. This rule will be applied for other functionals.

Reference variable

For a reference variable, we will consider

$$F_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \beta(X_{t_{j-1}}) \quad \text{or} \quad F_n = F_\infty := \int_0^1 \beta(X_t) dt.$$

Nondegeneracy

Let $a(x) = c(x)\sigma(x)^2$. **Let**

$$V_0(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} b(x_1) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma(x_1)\partial_{x_1}\sigma(x_1) \\ \beta(x_1) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad V_1(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(x_1) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

for $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ **and** $x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1}$. **The Lie algebra generated by**

$$V_1, [V_i, V_j] \ (i, j = 0, 1), [V_i, [V_j, V_k]] \ (i, j, k = 0, 1), \dots$$

at (x_1, x_2) **is denoted by** $\text{Lie}[V_0; V_1](x_1, x_2)$.

Assume that $\text{supp}(X_0)$ **is compact. Moreover, for nondegeneracy, we assume**

[H1] $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |a(x)| > 0$.

[H2] $\text{Lie}[V_0; V_1](X_0, 0) = \mathbb{R}^{1+d_1}$ **a.s.**

2nd order specification*

$$(M_\infty, \overset{\circ}{C}_\infty, N_\infty) =^d \left(\int_0^1 \sqrt{2}a(X_s)dB_s, \right. \\ \left. \int_0^1 \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3}a(X_s)^2dB_s + \int_0^1 \frac{4}{3}a(X_s)^2dB'_s, \right. \\ \left. \int_0^1 q_sdB''_s + \int_0^1 h_sds \right),$$

where (B, B', B'') is a three-dimensional standard Wiener process, independent of \mathcal{F} , defined on the extension $\bar{\Omega}$, and

$$h_t = c_t b_t^2 + c_t b_t^{[1]} \sigma_t - \frac{1}{2} c_t^{[0]} \sigma_t^2 - c_t^{[1]} \sigma_t \sigma_t^{[1]}.$$

Adaptive random symbol

The adaptive random symbol $\underline{\sigma}(z, iu, iv)$ is given by

$$\underline{\sigma}(z, iu, iv) = \frac{2z}{3} \int_0^1 a(X_s)^3 ds \left(\int_0^1 a(X_s)^2 ds \right)^{-1} (iu)^2 + iu \int_0^1 h_t dt.$$

NB $a(x) = c(x)\sigma(x)^2$.

Anticipative random symbol (1)

The random symbol $\sigma_{s,r}(iu, iv)$ admits the expression

$$\begin{aligned} & \sigma_{s,r}(iu, iv) \\ &= u^2 \int_r^s \alpha'(X_t) D_r X_t dt \left(-u^2 \int_s^1 \alpha'(X_t) D_s X_t dt + i \int_s^1 \beta'(X_t)[v] D_s X_t dt \right) \\ &+ \left(-u^2 \int_r^1 \alpha'(X_t) D_r X_t dt + i \int_r^1 \beta'(X_t)[v] D_r X_t dt \right) \\ &\cdot \left(-u^2 \int_s^1 \alpha'(X_t) D_s X_t dt + i \int_s^1 \beta'(X_t)[v] D_s X_t dt \right) \\ &+ \left(-u^2 \int_s^1 \{ \alpha''(X_t) D_r X_t D_s X_t + \alpha'(X_t) D_r D_s X_t \} dt \right. \\ &\left. + i \int_s^1 \{ \beta''(X_t)[v] D_r X_t D_s X_t + \beta'(X_t)[v] D_r D_s X_t \} dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

for $r \leq s$, where the prime ' stands for the derivative in $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

The processes $D_s X_t$ and $D_r D_s X_t$ are determined according to routine; for example, $D_s X_t$ satisfies the equation

$$D_s X_t = \sigma(X_s) + \int_s^t \beta'(X_t) D_s X_t dt + \int_s^t \sigma'(X_t) D_s X_t dw_t$$

for $s \leq t$. $D_r D_s X_t$ admits a similar equation.

Anticipative random symbol (2)

Now we obtain the anticipative random symbol

$$\bar{\sigma}(iu, iv) = \int_0^1 iu a(X_s) \sigma_{s,s}(iu, iv) ds$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{s,s}(iu, iv) = & \left(-u^2 \int_s^1 \alpha'(X_t) D_s X_t dt + i \int_s^1 \beta'(X_t)[v] D_s X_t dt \right)^2 \\ & - u^2 \int_s^1 \{ \alpha''(X_t) (D_s X_t)^2 + \alpha'(X_t) D_s D_s X_t \} dt \\ & + i \int_s^1 \{ \beta''(X_t)[v] (D_s X_t)^2 + \beta'(X_t)[v] D_s D_s X_t \} dt \end{aligned}$$

Recall Formula:

The full random symbol:

$$\sigma = \underline{\sigma} + \bar{\sigma}.$$

The asymptotic expansion:

$$p_n(z, x) = E \left[\phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right] \\ + r_n E \left[\sigma(z, \partial_z, \partial_x)^* \left\{ \phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right\} \right].$$

Asymptotic expansion: the quadratic form

Theorem 1. Suppose that [H1] and [H2] are satisfied. Then for any positive numbers M and γ ,

$$\sup_{f \in \mathcal{E}(M, \gamma)} \left| E[f(Z_n, F_n)] - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{1+d_1}} f(z, x) p_n(z, x) dz dx \right| = o\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $\mathcal{E}(M, \gamma)$ is the set of measurable functions $f : \mathbb{R}^{1+d_1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying $|f(z, x)| \leq M(1 + |z| + |x|)^\gamma$ for all $(z, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{d_1}$.

Example 1. Quadratic form of the diffusion process, $F_n = F_\infty$. Suppose that [H1] and [H2] are satisfied

Other topics

Variance derivative

Asymptotic expansion for $\sqrt{n}(h(RV_n) - h(\langle X \rangle))$ is given by the signed measure

$$q_n = (T_n)_* p_n$$

by

$$T_n(z, x) = h'(x)z + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}}h''(x)z^2.$$

Asymptotic expansion for the nonsynchronous covariance estimator

- Realized volatility
 - first-order : many
 - second-order (normal limit) : martingale expansion (Y97)
 - second-order (mixed normal limit) : martingale expansion
- Nonsynchronous covariance estimator
 - first-order : Hayashi-Y (SPA)
 - second-order (normal limit) : Dalalyan-Y (AIHP)
 - second-order (mixed normal limit) : !?

Conditional asymptotic expansion

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It is possible to give the asymptotic expansion of the conditional law $\mathcal{L}\{Z_n|F_n\}$ in the same framework we applied for the expansion of the joint law $\mathcal{L}\{(Z_n, F_n)\}$.

Conditional asymptotic expansion

Approximation to the (local) conditional density of $\mathcal{L}\{Z_n|F_n = x\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} & p_n(z|x) \\ &= E \left[\phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right] / p^{F_n}(x) \\ & \quad + r_n E \left[\sigma(z, \partial_z, \partial_x)^* \left\{ \phi(z; W_\infty, C_\infty) \delta_x(F_\infty) \right\} \right] / p^{F_n}(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$p^{F_n}(x) = p^{F_\infty}(x) - r_n \partial_{x_l} \left(E \left[\overset{\circ}{F}_\infty^l | F_\infty = x \right] p^{F_\infty}(x) \right).$$

Conditional asymptotic expansion

Let

$$\Delta_n(f|x) = \left| E[f(Z_n, F_n) | F_n = x] - \int f(z, x) p_n(z|x) dz \right|.$$

Under the assumption, we can choose a continuous version p^{F_n} of the density of $\mathcal{L}\{F_n\}$. Let $\mathcal{S}_\infty = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1}; p^{F_\infty}(x) > 0\}$. Let $\bar{Q}_n(B|x) = \int_B h_n^0(z, x) dz$ for $B \in \mathbb{B}_d$. For a measure ν , $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $r > 0$, let

$$\omega(f; r, \nu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sup_{z: |z| \leq r} |f(y+z) - f(y)| \nu(dy).$$

Conditional asymptotic expansion

Theorem 2. Under certain non-degeneracy conditions, for any positive numbers M , γ and L_0 , there exists a constant C such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta_n(f|x) \\ & \leq C \{ \omega(f; r_n^{L_0}, \bar{Q}_n(\cdot, x)^+) + \bar{o}(r_n) \} / p^{F_n}(x) \quad (x \in \mathcal{S}_\infty) \end{aligned}$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{E}(M, \gamma)$.

In particular, it gives a conditional limit theorem for the conditional distribution $\mathcal{L}\{Z_n \mid F_n = x\}$.