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Abstract

A multivariate stochastic volatility model with dynamic equicorrelation and cross leverage effect is proposed and estimated. Using a Bayesian approach, an efficient Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithm is described where we use the multi-move sampler, which generates multiple latent variables simultaneously. Numerical examples are provided to show its sampling efficiency in comparison with the simple algorithm that generates one latent variable at a time given other latent variables. Furthermore, the proposed model is applied to the multivariate daily stock price index data. The empirical study shows that our novel model provides a substantial improvement in forecasting with respect to out-of-sample hedging performances.

Key words: Asymmetry, cross leverage effect, dynamic equicorrelation, Markov chain Monte Carlo, multi-move sampler, multivariate stochastic volatility.

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1 Introduction

Over the last several decades, various multivariate volatility models have been proposed to model asset returns with time-varying variances. Two popular examples are generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (GARCH) models (Bauwens, Laurent, and Rombouts (2006)) and multivariate stochastic volatility (SV) models (Asai, McAleer, and Yu (2006), Chib, Omori, and Asai (2009)).

They are proposed to model the volatility clustering and the dynamic correlations, which are found to exist in empirical studies of financial time series (Bauwens, Hafner, and Laurent (2012)). Dynamic conditional correlation (DCC) models (Engle (2002)) and BEKK models (Engle and Kroner (1995)) are such widely used multivariate GARCH models. They simplify the multivariate covariance structure since there is an increasing difficulty in estimating too many parameters for dynamic correlations for high dimensional data. To overcome the difficulty, Engle and Kelly (2012), Vargas (2009), Jin and Tang (2009) and Clements, Coleman-Fenn, and Smith (2011) proposed the dynamic equicorrelation (DECO) model, which is based on a DCC model with all correlations equal but time-varying. Making reference to Elton and Gruber (1973), they argue that the dynamic equicorrelation assumption gives a superior portfolio allocation. In a Bayesian context, Ledoit and Wolf (2004) proposed the covariance matrix estimator obtained by shrinking the sample correlation matrix to an equicorrelated matrix for the purpose of the portfolio optimization. Hafner and Reznikova (2012) applied the shrinkage methods to the DCC models and improved the estimation results of the DCC model. Lucas, Schwaab, and Zhang (2012) proposed the dynamic generalized hyperbolic (GH) skew- t -error model with generalized autoregressive score (GAS) equicorrelation structure. For an asset allocation, an equicorrelated factor model is sometimes considered as a mean of dimension reduction (e.g., McNeil, Frey, and Embrechts (2005)).

In volatilities of stock returns, we often observe the asymmetry or the cross leverage effect, which implies a decrease in the i -th dependent variable at date t followed by an increase in the j -th latent stochastic variance at date $(t + 1)$. The simple univariate SV model with leverage effect is given in a state space form as:

$$y_t = m + \exp(h_t/2)\epsilon_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, n, \quad (1)$$

$$h_{t+1} = \mu + \phi(h_t - \mu) + \eta_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, n - 1, \quad (2)$$

$$h_1 \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma_\eta^2}{1 - \phi^2}\right), \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_t \\ \eta_t \end{pmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & q \\ q & \sigma_\eta^2 \end{pmatrix}\right), \quad (4)$$

$$|\phi| < 1, \quad (5)$$

where y_t denotes a (univariate) asset return, h_t is a log-variance of y_t . The negative value of q implies the existence of the leverage effect. It can be extended to the multivariate SV model with cross leverage effect (Dánielsson (1998), Asai and McAleer (2006), Asai and McAleer (2009), Chan, Kohn, and Kirby (2006), Ishihara, Omori, and Asai (2011), Ishihara and Omori (2012) and Nakajima (2012)). The major difficulty in constructing such multivariate models is to make the covariance matrices positive definite, especially when some dynamic correlation structure between the asset returns is incorporated. It is desirable to model the dynamic covariance structure as simply as possible since the parameter estimation becomes difficult in the sense that there are too many latent variables to be integrated out analytically to obtain the likelihood function.

In this article, we propose the multivariate SV model with dynamic equicorrelation and cross leverage effect (DESV model) and describe an efficient Bayesian estimation using the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) method to generate the latent stochastic volatilities and dynamic equicorrelation from the posterior distributions. As discussed in Shephard and Pitt (1997), Watanabe and Omori (2004) and Omori and Watanabe (2008), we divide all latent variables into several blocks and generate one block given other blocks (multi-move sampler or block-sampler). This is known to be more efficient than the simple single-move sampler, which draws the single latent stochastic volatility (the single dynamic equicorrelation factor) at a time given the other latent variables and the parameters. It means that we only need to generate a fewer number of MCMC samples to estimate the posterior distribution of the interested parameters.

The rest of this article is organized as follows. In Section 2, we propose the multivariate stochastic volatility model with dynamic equicorrelation and cross leverage effect. Section 3 describes an efficient Bayesian estimation method for the proposed model using a multi-move sampling method. A single-move sampling method that is simple but inefficient is also described as a benchmark. In Section 4, we illustrate our estimation method using simulated data and show that our MCMC algorithm is efficient. Section 5 applies our proposed DESV

model to the trivariate asset return data based on industrial sector indices of TOPIX (Tokyo stock price index). Section 6 concludes this article.

2 Equicorrelation model

2.1 Equicorrelation matrix

Suppose that a p -dimensional random variable has an equicorrelation structure where the $p \times p$ equicorrelation matrix takes the form

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho & \cdots & \rho \\ \rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \rho \\ \rho & \cdots & \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$= (1 - \rho)I_p + \rho J_p, \quad (7)$$

I_p is a unit matrix of size p , and $J_p = \mathbf{1}_p \mathbf{1}'_p$ ($\mathbf{1}_p$ denotes a p -dimensional vector with all elements equal to one). The matrix R is positive definite if and only if ρ satisfies the condition $-(p-1)^{-1} < \rho < 1$. It is noted that the lower bound of ρ is depending on p , that is, as p becomes larger the lower bound approaches to zero. The determinant and the inverse are given by

$$|R| = (1 - \rho)^{p-1} \{1 + (p-1)\rho\}, \quad (8)$$

$$R^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 - \rho} \left(I_p - \frac{\rho}{1 - \rho + p\rho} J_p \right). \quad (9)$$

We note that the eigenvalues of R are $1 - \rho$ (multiplicity $p - 1$) and $1 + (p - 1)\rho$. The eigenvector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_p)'$ associated with $1 - \rho$ satisfies the condition $\sum_{i=1}^p x_i = 0$, while the eigenvector associated with $1 + (p - 1)\rho$ satisfies the condition $x_1 = \dots = x_p$. Thus the spectral decomposition of R is given by

$$R = \{1 + (p - 1)\rho\} \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}'_1 + (1 - \rho) \mathbf{r}_2 \mathbf{r}'_2 + \cdots + (1 - \rho) \mathbf{r}_p \mathbf{r}'_p,$$

where $\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_p$ are the associated orthonormalized eigenvectors.

Let $R_D = \text{diag}\{1 + (p-1)\rho, 1 - \rho, \dots, 1 - \rho\}$ and $R_O = (\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_p)$. Then, $R = R_O R_D R'_O$ and we denote $R^{1/2} = R_O R_D^{1/2}$ where $R_D^{1/2} = \text{diag}\{(1 + (p-1)\rho)^{1/2}, (1 - \rho)^{1/2}, \dots, (1 - \rho)^{1/2}\}$. Alternatively we could decompose as $R = R_c R'_c$ (e.g., Choleski decomposition), but the spectral decomposition is advantageous in that it does not depend on the order of the random variables in the vector.

2.2 Multivariate SV model with dynamic equicorrelation

Let $\mathbf{y}_t = (y_{1t}, \dots, y_{pt})'$ denote a p -dimensional asset return vector at time t ($t = 1, \dots, n$). Let $\mathbf{m}_t = (m_{1t}, \dots, m_{pt})'$ and $\mathbf{h}_t = (h_{1t}, \dots, h_{pt})'$ denote p -dimensional vectors of unobserved variables and g_t an unobserved variable. We consider the multivariate SV model given by

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{m}_t + V_t^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \sim N_p(\mathbf{0}_p, R_t), \quad t = 1, \dots, n, \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbf{h}_{t+1} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu}) + \boldsymbol{\eta}_t, \quad \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \sim N_p(\mathbf{0}_p, \Omega), \quad t = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{h}_1 = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \boldsymbol{\eta}_0, \quad \boldsymbol{\eta}_0 \sim N_p(\mathbf{0}_p, \Omega_0), \quad (12)$$

$$g_{t+1} = \gamma + \theta(g_t - \gamma) + \zeta_t, \quad \zeta_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2), \quad (13)$$

$$g_1 = \gamma + \zeta_0, \quad \zeta_0 \sim N(0, \sigma^2/(1 - \theta^2)), \quad (14)$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{t+1} = \mathbf{m}_t + \boldsymbol{\eta}_{mt}, \quad \boldsymbol{\eta}_{mt} \sim N_p(\mathbf{0}_p, \Omega_m), \quad t = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad (15)$$

$$\mathbf{m}_1 = \boldsymbol{\eta}_{m0}, \quad \boldsymbol{\eta}_{m0} \sim N_p(\mathbf{0}_p, \kappa I_p), \quad (16)$$

where $\mathbf{0}_p$ is a p -dimensional zero vector,

$$V_t = \text{diag}\{\exp(h_{1t}), \dots, \exp(h_{pt})\}, \quad t = 1, \dots, n, \quad (17)$$

$$R_t = (1 - \rho_t)I_p + \rho_t J_p, \quad t = 1, \dots, n, \quad (18)$$

$$\rho_t = \frac{\exp(g_t)}{\exp(g_t) + 1}, \quad t = 1, \dots, n, \quad (19)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p)', \quad (20)$$

$$\Phi = \text{diag}(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p), \quad (21)$$

$$\Omega_m = \text{diag}(\omega_{m_1}^2, \dots, \omega_{m_p}^2), \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t \\ \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{2p}(\mathbf{0}_{2p}, \Psi), \quad t = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad (23)$$

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} I_p & Q' \\ Q & \Omega \end{pmatrix}, \quad (24)$$

and Ω_0 , the covariance matrix of the initial latent variable \mathbf{h}_1 , satisfies the stationary condition $\Omega_0 = \Phi \Omega_0 \Phi + \Omega$ such that

$$\text{vec}(\Omega_0) = (I_{p^2} - \Phi \otimes \Phi)^{-1} \text{vec}(\Omega). \quad (25)$$

We also set $\text{Var}(g_1) = \sigma^2/(1 - \theta^2)$, the variance of the initial latent variable g_1 , for assuming the stationary condition and set κ , the variance of the initial latent variable $m_{j,1}$ ($j =$

$1, \dots, p$), equal to some large known constant. The latent vector, \mathbf{h}_t , is a vector of log-variances of the returns, and the latent variable, g_t , is the transformed equicorrelation of \mathbf{y}_t . For the identifiability, we set the diagonal elements of the covariance matrix of $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_t$ equal to 1.

Notice that we define ρ_t , $t = 1, \dots, n$, so as to take values on the unit interval, $(0, 1)$. As shown in the previous subsection, the equicorrelation matrix R_t is positive definite if and only if ρ_t is in $(-(p-1)^{-1}, 1)$. It means that as p becomes large, the negative region of the parameter space becomes smaller. Therefore it is reasonable to restrict the parameter space of ρ_t to the positive region so that the parameter space is independent of p .

We assume, for simplicity, that $\{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n$, the latent sequence of the expectations of \mathbf{y}_t , $t = 1, \dots, n$, follows a simple random walk. Empirical studies suggest that the expectation of the asset return is nearly 0 in most cases (e.g., McNeil, Frey, and Embrechts (2005)), but it is practically important to include non-zero asset means especially for portfolio optimizations as we shall see in Section 5.3.

3 Bayesian estimation

3.1 Priors and posterior densities

For prior distributions of $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}, \gamma, \Phi, \theta, \sigma^2, \Omega_m\}$, we assume that

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} \sim N_p(\mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}0}, S_{\boldsymbol{\mu}0}), \quad (26)$$

$$\gamma \sim N(m_{\gamma0}, s_{\gamma0}^2), \quad (27)$$

$$(\phi_j + 1)/2 \sim \text{Be}(a_{\phi_j}, b_{\phi_j}), \quad j = 1, \dots, p, \quad (28)$$

$$(\theta + 1)/2 \sim \text{Be}(a_{\theta}, b_{\theta}), \quad (29)$$

$$\sigma^2 \sim \text{IG}(\alpha_{\sigma^20}/2, \beta_{\sigma^20}/2), \quad (30)$$

$$\omega_{m_j}^2 \sim \text{IG}(\alpha_{m_j0}/2, \beta_{m_j0}/2), \quad j = 1, \dots, p, \quad (31)$$

where $\text{Be}(a, b)$ denotes a beta distribution with parameters a, b and $\text{IG}(\alpha, \beta)$ denotes an inverted gamma distribution with shape parameter α and scale parameter β . For a prior distribution of Ψ , we let

$$\Psi^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi^{11} & \Psi^{12} \\ \Psi^{21} & \Psi^{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

where Ψ^{11} , Ψ^{12} and Ψ^{22} are $p \times p$, $p \times (p+1)$ and $(p+1) \times (p+1)$ matrices, respectively. Noting that $\Psi^{11} = I_p + \Psi^{12}(\Psi^{22})^{-1}\Psi^{21}$, we assume

$$\Psi^{22} \sim W_p(n_0, S_0), \quad (32)$$

$$\Psi^{21} | \Psi^{22} \sim N_{p \times p}(\Psi^{22} \Delta_0, \Lambda_0 \otimes \Psi^{22}), \quad (33)$$

where $W(n, S)$ denotes a Wishart distribution with parameters (n, S) .

Then, the joint posterior density function is

$$\begin{aligned} & f(\boldsymbol{\vartheta}, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n) \\ & \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \times \exp\left(\sum_{t=1}^n l_t\right) \times |\Omega_0|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{h}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \Omega_0^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\} \\ & \times |\Omega|^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\}' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\}\right] \\ & \times \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \theta^2}\right)^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{(g_1 - \gamma)^2}{2\sigma^2/(1 - \theta^2)}\right\} \times (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \exp\left[-\frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \{g_{t+1} - (1 - \theta)\gamma - \theta g_t\}^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \\ & \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\kappa} \mathbf{m}'_1 \mathbf{m}_1\right) \times |\Omega_m|^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (\mathbf{m}_{t+1} - \mathbf{m}_t)' \Omega_m^{-1} (\mathbf{m}_{t+1} - \mathbf{m}_t)\right\}, \quad (34) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} l_t = & -\frac{1}{2} \left[R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) - Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\} \right]' \\ & \times (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \left[R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) - Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\} \right] \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \log\{(1 - \rho_t)^{p-1} (1 + (p-1)\rho_t)\} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^p h_{jt}, \quad (35) \end{aligned}$$

and $\boldsymbol{\vartheta} = \{\boldsymbol{\mu}, \gamma, \Phi, \theta, \Omega, Q, \sigma^2, \Omega_m\}$.

We implement the MCMC algorithm in twelve blocks:

1. Initialize $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \gamma, \Phi, \theta, \Omega, Q, \sigma^2, \Omega_m$.
2. Generate $\boldsymbol{\mu} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \Phi, \Omega, Q$.
3. Generate $\gamma | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \theta, \sigma^2$.
4. Generate $\Phi | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Omega, Q$.
5. Generate $\theta | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \gamma, \sigma^2$.

6. Generate $\Omega, Q | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Phi$.
7. Generate $\sigma^2 | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \gamma, \theta$.
8. Generate $\Omega_{\mathbf{m}} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n$.
9. Generate $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Phi, \Omega, Q$.
10. Generate $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \gamma, \Phi, \theta, \Omega, Q, \sigma^2$.
11. Generate $\{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Phi, \Omega, Q, \Omega_{\mathbf{m}}$.
12. Go to 2.

3.2 Generation of latent variable $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n$

3.2.1 Single-move sampling method

A simple sampling method for $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n$, is a single-move sampler that draws a single latent variable \mathbf{h}_t at a time given the other \mathbf{h}_t 's and the parameters. The other method is a multi-move sampler that draws multiple \mathbf{h}_t 's simultaneously. A single-move sampler is simpler than a multi-move sampler, but a multi-move sampler is known to be more efficient (Shephard and Pitt (1997), Watanabe and Omori (2004) and Omori and Watanabe (2008)). As a benchmark, we first describe the single-move sampling method. We generate a candidate based on the following approximation of l_t :

$$\begin{aligned}
l_t &\approx -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)' V_t^{-1/2} R_t^{-1} V_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) - \frac{1}{2} \log |R_t| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^p h_{jt} \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (y_{1t} - m_{1t}) \exp(-\frac{1}{2} h_{1t}) \\ \vdots \\ (y_{pt} - m_{pt}) \exp(-\frac{1}{2} h_{pt}) \end{pmatrix}' R_t^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} (y_{1t} - m_{1t}) \exp(-\frac{1}{2} h_{1t}) \\ \vdots \\ (y_{pt} - m_{pt}) \exp(-\frac{1}{2} h_{pt}) \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \log |R_t| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^p h_{jt} \\
&\approx -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (y_{1t} - m_{1t})(1 - \frac{h_{1t}}{2}) \\ \vdots \\ (y_{pt} - m_{pt})(1 - \frac{h_{pt}}{2}) \end{pmatrix}' R_t^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} (y_{1t} - m_{1t})(1 - \frac{h_{1t}}{2}) \\ \vdots \\ (y_{pt} - m_{pt})(1 - \frac{h_{pt}}{2}) \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \log |R_t| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^p h_{jt}.
\end{aligned}$$

For $t = 1, \dots, n$, we propose a candidate $\mathbf{h}_t | \{\mathbf{h}_s\}_{s \neq t}, \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\vartheta} \sim N(\mathbf{m}_{ht}, S_{ht})$, where

$$S_{ht} = \{\text{diag}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)/2\} R_t^{-1} \text{diag}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)/2\} + \Phi \Omega^{-1} \Phi + \Omega^{-1}\}^{-1},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{m}_{ht} &= S_{ht}[\text{diag}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)/2\}R_t^{-1}\text{diag}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)/2\}2\mathbf{1}_p - 0.5\mathbf{1}_p + \Phi\Omega^{-1}\{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - (I_p - \Phi)\boldsymbol{\mu}\} \\ &\quad + \Omega^{-1}\{\boldsymbol{\mu} + \Phi(\mathbf{h}_{t-1} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\}], \end{aligned}$$

and accept it using MH algorithm.

3.2.2 Efficient multi-move sampling method

A simulation smoother, an efficient sampler for the state variables was proposed by de Jong and Shephard (1995) and by Durbin and Koopman (2002) for the linear Gaussian state space model. However, such a simulation smoother cannot be applied directly to our nonlinear model. As discussed in Shephard and Pitt (1997), Watanabe and Omori (2004) and Omori and Watanabe (2008), we approximate the nonlinear Gaussian likelihood function by the linear Gaussian likelihood function and implement the MH algorithm.

In this algorithm, we first divide $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n$ into $K + 1$ blocks, $(\mathbf{h}_{k_{m-1}+1}, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{k_m})$, $m = 1, \dots, K$ with $k_0 = 0$, $k_{K+1} = n$, $k_i - k_{i-1} \geq 2$, using stochastic knots $k_m = \text{int}[n(m + U_m)/(K + 2)]$, where U_m 's are independent uniform random variables on $(0, 1)$. Next, we generate $(\mathbf{h}_{k_{m-1}+1}, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{k_m})$ given other blocks by generating $(\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{k_{m-1}}, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{k_m-1})$, where $\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t = \Omega^{-1/2}\boldsymbol{\eta}_t$.

The conditional posterior density of $\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = (\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_s, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_{s+r-1})'$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &f(\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_s, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{s+r-1} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \mathbf{h}_s, \mathbf{h}_{s+r+1}, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \\ &\propto \prod_{t=s}^{s+r} f(\mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{h}_t, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \prod_{t=s}^{s+r-1} f(\boldsymbol{\eta}_t | \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \times (f(\mathbf{h}_{s+r+1} | \mathbf{h}_{s+r}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}))^{I_{\{s+r < n\}}} \\ &\propto \exp\left(L - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=s}^{s+r-1} \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_t \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$L = \begin{cases} \sum_{t=s}^{s+r} l_t - \frac{1}{2} \{\mathbf{h}_{s+r+1} - (I_p - \Phi)\boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi\mathbf{h}_{s+r}\}' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{s+r+1} - (I_p - \Phi)\boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi\mathbf{h}_{s+r}\} \\ \quad \text{if } s+r < n, \\ \sum_{t=s}^n l_t \quad \text{if } s+r = n. \end{cases}$$

Using Taylor expansion around the conditional posterior mode of $\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = (\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_s, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_{s+r-1})'$, we approximate L and construct a proposal density (linear and Gaussian state-space model) as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \log f(\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_s, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{s+r-1} | \mathbf{h}_s, \mathbf{h}_{s+r+1}, \mathbf{y}_s, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{s+r}) \\
& \approx \text{const.} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=s}^{s+r-1} \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_t \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t + \hat{L} + \left. \frac{\partial L}{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'} \right|_{\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}} (\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}) + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}})' \mathbb{E} \left(\left. \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'} \right) \right|_{\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}} (\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}) \\
& = \text{const.} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=s}^{s+r-1} \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}'_t \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t + \hat{L} + \hat{\mathbf{d}}' (\mathbf{h} - \hat{\mathbf{h}}) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{h} - \hat{\mathbf{h}})' \mathbb{E} \left(\left. \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \mathbf{h} \partial \mathbf{h}'} \right) \right|_{\mathbf{h} = \hat{\mathbf{h}}} (\mathbf{h} - \hat{\mathbf{h}}) \\
& = \log f^*(\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_s, \dots, \underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{s+r-1} | \mathbf{h}_s, \mathbf{h}_{s+r+1}, \mathbf{y}_s, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{s+r}),
\end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{h} = (\mathbf{h}'_{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{h}'_{s+r})'$ and

$$\mathbf{d} = (\mathbf{d}'_{s+1}, \dots, \mathbf{d}'_{s+r})', \quad \mathbf{d}_t = \partial L / \partial \mathbf{h}_t, \quad (36)$$

$$-\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \mathbf{h} \partial \mathbf{h}'} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{s+1} & B'_{s+2} & O & \cdots & O \\ B_{s+2} & A_{s+2} & B'_{s+3} & \cdots & O \\ O & B_{s+3} & A_{s+3} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & B'_{s+r} \\ O & \cdots & O & B_{s+r} & A_{s+r} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (37)$$

$$A_t = -\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_t \partial \mathbf{h}'_t} \right), \quad t = s+1, \dots, s+r, \quad (38)$$

$$B_t = -\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_t \partial \mathbf{h}'_{t-1}} \right), \quad t = s+2, \dots, s+r, \quad B_{s+1} = O \quad (39)$$

(see Appendix A.1 for the derivation of \mathbf{d}_t, A_t, B_t). We generate $\{\underline{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t\}_{t=s}^{s+r-1}$ in two steps:

Step 1 (Disturbance smoother).

- (a) Initialize $\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t, t = s, \dots, s+r-1$.
- (b) Compute $\hat{\mathbf{d}}_t, \hat{A}_t, \hat{B}_t, t = s+1, \dots, s+r$. (\mathbf{d}_t, A_t, B_t evaluated at $\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_t$)
- (c) For $t = s+2, \dots, s+r$, compute

$$\begin{aligned}
C_t &= \hat{A}_t - \hat{B}_t C_{t-1}^{-1} \hat{B}'_t, \quad C_{s+1} = \hat{A}_{s+1}, \quad C_t = F_t F'_t, \\
M_t &= \hat{B}_t F_{t-1}{}^{-1}, \quad M_{s+1} = O, \quad M_{s+r+1} = O, \\
\mathbf{b}_t &= \hat{\mathbf{d}}_t - M_t F_{t-1}{}^{-1} \mathbf{b}_{t-1}, \quad \mathbf{b}_{s+1} = \hat{\mathbf{d}}_{s+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

- (d) For $t = s+1, \dots, s+r$, define

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_t = \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_t + C_t^{-1} \mathbf{b}_t, \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_t = \hat{\mathbf{h}}_t + F_t{}^{-1} M'_{t+1} \hat{\mathbf{h}}_{t+1}.$$

(e) Consider the linear and Gaussian state-space model:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_t = Z_t \mathbf{h}_t + G_t \mathbf{u}_t, \quad (40)$$

$$\mathbf{h}_{t+1} = (I_p - \Phi) \boldsymbol{\mu} + \Phi \mathbf{h}_t + H_t \mathbf{u}_t, \quad (41)$$

$$Z_t = I_p + F_t'^{-1} M_{t+1}' \Phi, \quad G_t = F_t'^{-1} [I_p, M_{t+1}' \text{chol}(\Omega)], \quad (42)$$

$$H_t = [O, \text{chol}(\Omega)]. \quad (43)$$

(chol(Ω) denotes Choleski decomposition of Ω .)

(f) Apply Kalman filter and disturbance smoother (Koopman (1993)) and update $\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}$.

(g) Go to (b) until $\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}$ converges to the mode.

Step 2. (a) Update $\hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}$ using the disturbance smoother and find a linear and Gaussian state-space model (40)-(43).

(b) Generate $\boldsymbol{\eta}^\dagger \sim f^*$ (the linear and Gaussian state-space model) using Kalman filter and simulation smoother (de Jong and Shephard (1995) or Durbin and Koopman (2002)). Conduct AR-MH algorithm.

3.3 Generation of latent variables $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ and $\{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n$

We consider the two following sampling methods for $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ corresponding to the last subsection.

Single-move sampling method. Generate g_t given $\{g_s\}_{s=-t}, \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}$ using a random walk MH algorithm for $t = 1, \dots, n$.

Multi-move sampling method. We divide $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ into $K + 1$ blocks using stochastic knots and generate one block given other blocks using the block sampler as mentioned in the last subsection. See Appendix A.1 for the derivation of \mathbf{d}_t, A_t and B_t .

We generate all of \mathbf{m}_t 's simultaneously using a simulation smoother (de Jong and Shephard (1995) or Durbin and Koopman (2002)).

3.4 Generation of $\boldsymbol{\mu}, \gamma, \Phi, \theta, \sigma^2, \Omega_m$

Generation of $\boldsymbol{\mu}$. The conditional distribution of $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \Phi, \Omega, Q \sim N(\mathbf{m}_\boldsymbol{\mu}, S_\boldsymbol{\mu}), \quad (44)$$

where

$$S_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \{S_{\boldsymbol{\mu}0}^{-1} + \Omega_0^{-1} + (n-1)(I_p - \Phi)(\Omega - QQ')^{-1}(I_p - \Phi)\}^{-1}, \quad (45)$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = S_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \left\{ S_{\boldsymbol{\mu}0}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}0} + \Omega_0^{-1} \mathbf{h}_1 + (I_p - \Phi)(\Omega - QQ')^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \Phi \mathbf{h}_t - Q \mathbf{z}_t) \right\}, \quad (46)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_t = R_t^{-1/2} V_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t).$$

Generation of γ . The conditional distribution of γ is

$$\gamma | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \theta, \sigma^2 \sim \text{N}(m_{\gamma}, s_{\gamma}^2), \quad (47)$$

where

$$s_{\gamma}^2 = \{s_{\gamma 0}^{-2} + (1 - \theta^2)\sigma^{-2} + (n-1)(1 - \theta)^2\sigma^{-2}\}^{-1}, \quad (48)$$

$$m_{\gamma} = s_{\gamma}^2 \left[s_{\gamma 0}^{-2} m_{\gamma 0} + (1 - \theta^2)\sigma^{-2} g_1 + (1 - \theta)\sigma^{-2} \left\{ \sum_{t=2}^n g_t - \theta \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} g_t \right\} \right]. \quad (49)$$

Generation of Φ . The conditional posterior density of $\boldsymbol{\phi} = \Phi \mathbf{1}_p$ is given by

$$f(\boldsymbol{\phi} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Omega, Q) \propto g(\boldsymbol{\phi}) \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\phi} - \mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}})' S_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\phi} - \mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}) \right\}, \quad (50)$$

where

$$S_{\boldsymbol{\phi}} = \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} ((\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \odot (\Omega - QQ')^{-1}) \right\}^{-1}, \quad (51)$$

$$(\mathbf{m}_{t,\boldsymbol{\phi}})_i = \{(\Omega - QQ')^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - Q \mathbf{z}_t) (\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\}_{i,i}, \quad \mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}} = S_{\boldsymbol{\phi}} \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \mathbf{m}_{t,\boldsymbol{\phi}}, \quad (52)$$

$$g(\boldsymbol{\phi}) = \prod_{j=1}^p \pi(\phi_j) \times |\Omega_0|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{h}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \Omega_0^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}, \quad (53)$$

and \odot denotes Hadamard product. Generate a candidate $\boldsymbol{\phi}^{\dagger} \sim \text{TN}_{(-1,1)}(\mathbf{m}_{\boldsymbol{\phi}}, S_{\boldsymbol{\phi}})$ and accept it with probability $\min[1, g(\boldsymbol{\phi}^{\dagger})/g(\boldsymbol{\phi})]$.

Generation of θ . The conditional posterior density of θ is given by

$$f(\theta | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \gamma, \sigma^2) \propto g(\theta) \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2s_{\theta}^2} (\theta - m_{\theta})^2 \right\}, \quad (54)$$

where

$$s_{\theta}^2 = \sigma^2 \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (g_t - \gamma)^2 \right\}^{-1}, \quad m_{\theta} = s_{\theta}^2 \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \sigma^{-2} (g_{t+1} - \gamma)(g_t - \gamma), \quad (55)$$

$$g(\theta) = \pi(\theta) \times (1 - \theta^2)^{1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(g_1 - \gamma)^2}{2\sigma^2/(1 - \theta^2)} \right\}. \quad (56)$$

Generate a candidate $\theta^{\dagger} \sim \text{TN}_{(-1,1)}(m_{\theta}, s_{\theta}^2)$ and accept it with probability $\min[1, g(\theta^{\dagger})/g(\theta)]$.

Generation of σ^2 . The conditional distribution of σ^2 is

$$\sigma^2 | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \gamma, \theta \sim \text{IG}(\alpha_{\sigma^2 1}/2, \beta_{\sigma^2 1}/2), \quad (57)$$

where $\alpha_{\sigma^2 1} = \alpha_{\sigma^2 0} + n$ and

$$\beta_{\sigma^2 1} = \beta_{\sigma^2 0} + (g_1 - \gamma)^2 (1 - \theta^2) + \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \{g_{t+1} - \gamma - \theta(g_t - \gamma)\}^2. \quad (58)$$

Generation of $\Omega_{\mathbf{m}}$. The conditional distribution of $\omega_{m_j}^2$, $j = 1, \dots, p$, is

$$\omega_{m_j}^2 | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n \sim \text{IG}(\alpha_{m_j 1}/2, \beta_{m_j 1}/2), \quad (59)$$

where $\alpha_{m_j 1} = \alpha_{m_j 0} + n - 1$ and

$$\beta_{m_j 1} = \beta_{m_j 0} + \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} (m_{j,t+1} - m_{jt})^2. \quad (60)$$

3.5 Generation of Ω, Q

The conditional posterior density of Ψ^{12} and Ψ^{22} is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & f(\Psi^{12}, \Psi^{22} | \{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{g_t\}_{t=1}^n, \{\mathbf{m}_t\}_{t=1}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Phi) \\ & \propto \prod_{t=1}^{n-1} f(\mathbf{z}_t, \boldsymbol{\eta}_t | \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \times \pi(\Psi^{21}, \Psi^{22}) \\ & \propto |\Omega_0|^{-1/2} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\eta}'_0 \Omega_0^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_0 \right) \times |\Psi^{22}|^{(n_1 - p - 1)/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(S_1^{-1} \Psi^{22}) \right\} \\ & \quad \times |\Psi^{22}|^{-p/2} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \{ \text{vec}(\Psi^{21} - \Psi^{22} \Delta_1) \}' (\Lambda_1 \otimes \Psi^{22})^{-1} \text{vec}(\Psi_{21} - \Psi_{22} \Delta_1) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

(see, e.g., Gupta and Nagar (2000) and Ishihara, Omori, and Asai (2011)), where

$$n_1 = n_0 + n - 1, \quad S_1 = (S_0^{-1} + \Xi_{22} + \Delta_0 \Lambda_0^{-1} \Delta_0' - \Delta_1 \Lambda_1^{-1} \Delta_1')^{-1}, \quad (62)$$

$$\Lambda_1 = (\Lambda_0^{-1} + \Xi_{11})^{-1}, \quad \Delta_1 = (-\Xi_{21} + \Delta_0 \Lambda_0^{-1}) \Lambda_1, \quad (63)$$

$$\Xi = \begin{pmatrix} \Xi_{11} & \Xi_{12} \\ \Xi_{21} & \Xi_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_t \\ \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_t \\ \boldsymbol{\eta}_t \end{pmatrix}'. \quad (64)$$

We generate a candidate Ψ^\dagger in three steps:

1. Generate $(\Psi^{22})^\dagger \sim W(n_1, S_1)$.
2. Generate $(\Psi^{21})^\dagger | (\Psi^{22})^\dagger \sim N_{p \times p}((\Psi^{22})^\dagger \Delta_1, \Lambda_1 \otimes (\Psi^{22})^\dagger)$.
3. Compute $Q^\dagger = -((\Psi^{22})^\dagger)^{-1} (\Psi^{21})^\dagger$, $\Omega^\dagger = ((\Psi^{22})^\dagger)^{-1} + Q^\dagger (Q^\dagger)'$ and accept Ψ^\dagger with probability

$$\min \left[1, \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \log |\Omega_0^\dagger| - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\eta}_0' (\Omega_0^\dagger)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \log |\Omega_0| + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\eta}_0' \Omega_0^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta}_0 \right\} \right].$$

4 Illustrative example using simulated data

This section illustrates our proposed DESV model using simulated data. We consider a trivariate case ($p = 3$) and investigate the efficiency of our multi-move sampling method in comparison with the single-move sampling method. Using the following parameters based on our empirical studies in Section 5,

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\mu}_* &= \mathbf{0}_3, \quad \gamma_* = 1.7, \quad \Phi_* = 0.97I_3, \quad \theta_* = 0.97, \quad \Omega_* = 0.015I_3 + 0.015J_3, \\ Q_* &= (-0.1 \times \mathbf{1}_3, \mathbf{0}_3, \mathbf{0}_3), \quad \sigma_*^2 = 0.05, \quad \Omega_{m_*} = 0.001I_3, \end{aligned}$$

we generate 2,000 observations ($n = 2000$). For prior distributions, we assume

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\mu} &\sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_*, 100I_3), \quad \gamma \sim N(\gamma_*, 100), \quad \frac{\phi_i + 1}{2} \sim \text{Be}(20, 1.5), \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ \frac{\theta + 1}{2} &\sim \text{Be}(20, 1.5), \quad \sigma^2 \sim \text{IG}(5, 3\sigma_*^2), \quad \omega_{m_j}^2 \sim \text{IG}(5, 3\omega_{m_j*}^2), \quad j = 1, 2, 3, \\ \Psi^{22} &\sim W(6, 6^{-1}\Omega_*), \quad \Psi^{21} | \Psi^{22} \sim N_{3 \times 3}(O, 10I_3 \otimes \Psi^{22}). \end{aligned}$$

We set $\kappa = 10$. Using the single-move sampler, we generate 250,000 MCMC samples after discarding the first 10,000 samples as the burn-in period. Also, the multi-move sampler is used to generate 50,000 MCMC samples after discarding the first 10,000 samples as the burn-in period. We set the number of the blocks to 301 ($K = 300$) based on several trials.

Table 1 reports the true values, posterior means, 95% credible intervals and estimated inefficiency factors (IF). The inefficiency factor is defined as $1 + 2 \sum_{g=1}^{\infty} \rho(g)$, where $\rho(g)$

Table 1: Posterior means, 95% credible intervals and inefficiency factors.

	True	Mean	95% interval	IF	
				(m-move)	(s-move)
μ_1	0	-0.059	(-0.431, 0.319)	6	49
μ_2	0	-0.053	(-0.366, 0.272)	6	68
μ_3	0	0.098	(-0.129, 0.340)	20	166
γ	1.7	1.597	(1.322, 1.868)	9	149
ϕ_1	0.97	0.979	(0.967, 0.989)	91	277
ϕ_2	0.97	0.976	(0.962, 0.988)	73	273
ϕ_3	0.97	0.966	(0.949, 0.981)	122	606
θ	0.97	0.959	(0.934, 0.978)	54	644
Ω_{11}	0.03	0.028	(0.018, 0.040)	201	1082
Ω_{21}	0.015	0.010	(0.003, 0.018)	104	1274
Ω_{31}	0.015	0.014	(0.007, 0.023)	107	796
Ω_{22}	0.03	0.025	(0.016, 0.037)	182	1017
Ω_{32}	0.015	0.011	(0.004, 0.020)	147	683
Ω_{33}	0.03	0.027	(0.017, 0.040)	185	1006
Q_{11}	-0.1	-0.065	(-0.096, -0.033)	110	400
Q_{21}	-0.1	-0.063	(-0.093, -0.033)	121	302
Q_{31}	-0.1	-0.081	(-0.112, -0.051)	109	462
Q_{12}	0	-0.009	(-0.042, 0.026)	78	432
Q_{22}	0	-0.004	(-0.040, 0.032)	112	604
Q_{32}	0	-0.015	(-0.049, 0.020)	118	677
Q_{13}	0	-0.009	(-0.047, 0.028)	107	417
Q_{23}	0	-0.030	(-0.068, 0.007)	131	477
Q_{33}	0	-0.010	(-0.047, 0.027)	170	527
σ^2	0.05	0.052	(0.031, 0.081)	106	1130
$\omega_{m_1}^2 \times 10^3$	1	0.889	(0.536, 1.419)	139	184
$\omega_{m_2}^2 \times 10^3$	1	0.727	(0.418, 1.146)	55	191
$\omega_{m_3}^2 \times 10^3$	1	0.810	(0.452, 1.305)	163	178

The maximum IF's are indicated in bold type.

is the sample autocorrelation at lag g . This is interpreted as the ratio of the numerical variance of the posterior mean from the chain to the variance of the posterior mean from hypothetical uncorrelated draws. The smaller the inefficiency factor becomes, the closer the MCMC sampling is to the uncorrelated sampling.

The posterior means are all close to the true values, which suggests that our proposed algorithms work well. The inefficiency factors for the single-move sampler (the maximum is 1274) are larger than those for the multi-move sampler (the maximum is 201), which suggests that our proposed multi-move sampling method is efficient compared with the single-move

sampling method¹.

5 Empirical study

5.1 Data

This section applies our proposed model to returns of subindices of Tokyo stock price index (TOPIX) — three industrial sector indices: (1) Machinery, (2) Electric Appliances and (3) Precision Instruments. The sample period is from January 4, 2005 to December 28, 2012 (1964 observations in total). The asset return is calculated as $y_t = (\log p_t - \log p_{t-1}) \times 100$, where p_t is the asset price at time t . Figure 1 shows the time series plot of the three returns. The trajectories are relatively similar to each other, so it is expected that the equicorrelation parameters are estimated to be positive.

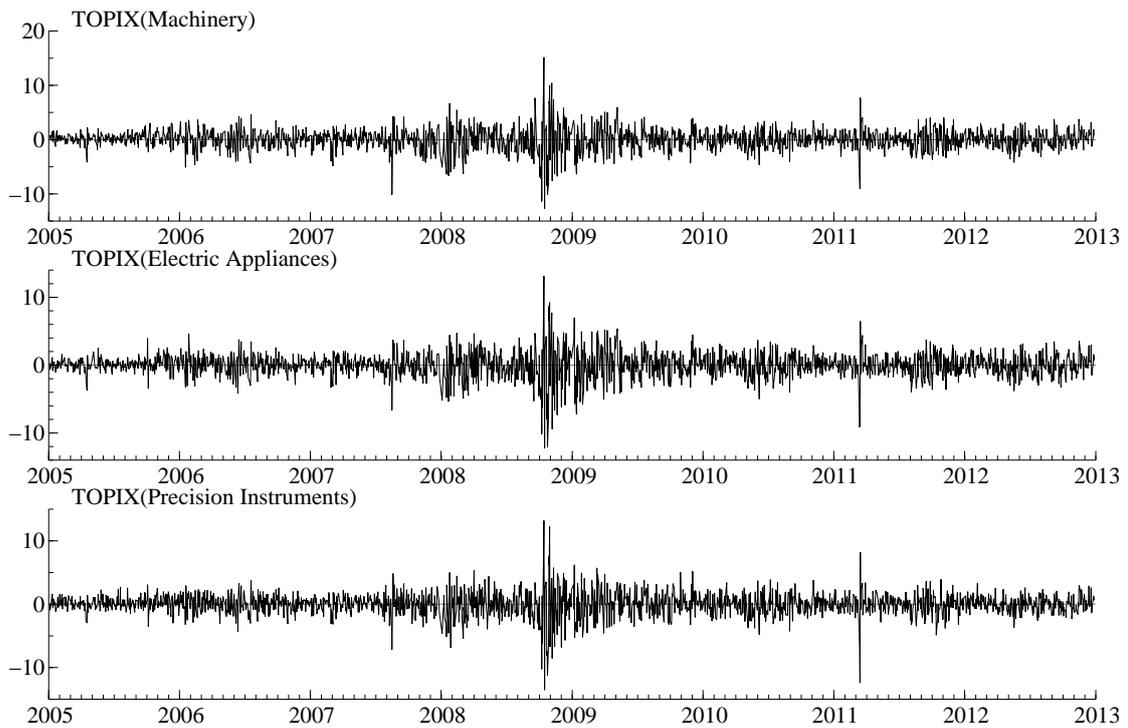


Figure 1: Time series plot of TOPIX.

¹The acceptance rates for $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n$ and $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ are 0.641 and 0.802 using the multi-move sampler and 0.639 and 0.614 using the single-move sampler.

5.2 Estimation results

Using the same prior distributions for the parameters as in Section 4, we implement the MCMC algorithm to conduct a Bayesian inference on the parameters of interest. We generate 100,000 MCMC samples from the posterior distributions of the parameters in the model after discarding the first 10,000 samples as the burn-in period.

Table 2: Posterior means, 95% credible intervals and inefficiency factors.

	Mean	95% interval	IF
μ_1	0.767	(0.478, 1.040)	29
μ_2	0.614	(0.268, 0.939)	17
μ_3	0.683	(0.375, 0.973)	33
γ	1.724	(1.491, 1.946)	19
ϕ_1	0.971	(0.959, 0.982)	450
ϕ_2	0.978	(0.968, 0.987)	476
ϕ_3	0.976	(0.965, 0.985)	360
θ	0.943	(0.897, 0.975)	316
Ω_{11}	0.030	(0.020, 0.043)	260
Ω_{21}	0.027	(0.018, 0.038)	270
Ω_{31}	0.026	(0.017, 0.037)	240
Ω_{22}	0.025	(0.016, 0.037)	393
Ω_{32}	0.024	(0.015, 0.035)	352
Ω_{33}	0.024	(0.015, 0.036)	423
Q_{11}	-0.108	(-0.138, -0.080)	262
Q_{21}	-0.086	(-0.113, -0.060)	241
Q_{31}	-0.084	(-0.110, -0.059)	193
Q_{12}	-0.015	(-0.039, 0.012)	187
Q_{22}	-0.005	(-0.032, 0.021)	368
Q_{32}	-0.002	(-0.029, 0.024)	373
Q_{13}	0.008	(-0.026, 0.043)	178
Q_{23}	0.004	(-0.031, 0.039)	582
Q_{33}	-0.014	(-0.047, 0.019)	256
σ^2	0.061	(0.028, 0.111)	361
$\omega_{m_1}^2 \times 10^3$	0.261	(0.131, 0.486)	166
$\omega_{m_2}^2 \times 10^3$	0.205	(0.110, 0.364)	130
$\omega_{m_3}^2 \times 10^3$	0.224	(0.118, 0.408)	251

Table 2 reports the summary of the estimation results. Figure 2 shows the posterior means of $\exp(h_{j,t}/2)$, square root of the estimated time-varying variances and ρ_t , the dynamic equicorrelation of \mathbf{y}_t .

The posterior means of μ_j 's are similar and the levels of the volatilities are not different

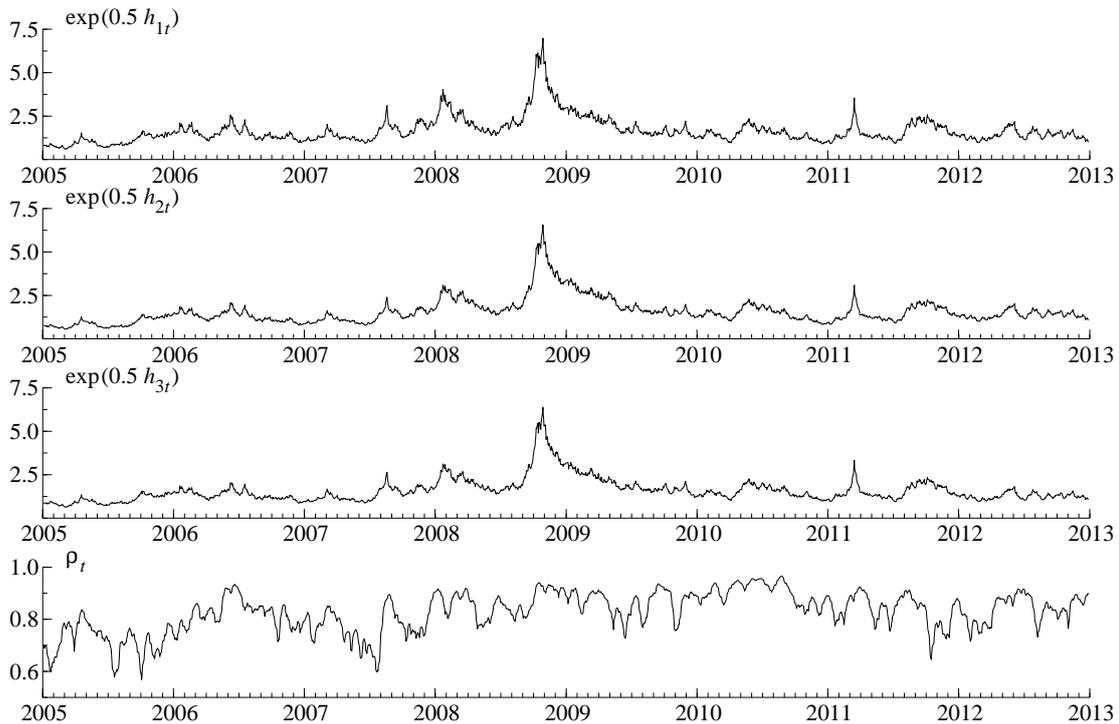


Figure 2: Posterior means of square root of the variances and the dynamic equicorrelation.

from one another. We also find that the posterior means of the diagonal elements of Ω are similar and it is consistent with the observed fluctuations shown in Figures 2. The credible intervals of off-diagonal elements of Ω are positive and do not include zero, which means that unobserved volatilities are correlated positively each other.

The posterior means of autoregressive coefficients (ϕ_j 's) are very high (over 0.97), which shows that the log volatilities follow highly persistent processes. In addition, the top three panels of Figure 2 indicate the comovement of the volatilities. The trajectories sharply increased in September 2008, corresponding to the financial crisis during which Lehman Brothers filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection (September 15, 2008). We also observe the increase in March 2011, resulted from Tohoku Region Pacific Coast Earthquake.

The posterior means of autoregressive coefficient (θ) is very high and the equicorrelation parameter is highly persistent, too. The bottom panel of Figure 2 shows that the equicorrelation parameter varies at a high level (far from zero) and greatly, which means that it is time-varying and far from constant.

The posterior probability with which Q_{11} is negative is over 0.975 and this is similar for Q_{21} and Q_{31} . The 95% credible intervals of the other elements of Q include zeros. As stated in Section 2, Q is the covariance between z_t , the transformed error term in the observed equation of our model and η_{t+1} , the error term in the state equation for $t = 1, \dots, n - 1$. To verify the existence of the cross leverage effects, we should transform Q using R_t and Ω to obtain the posterior means of the (time-varying) correlations between ϵ_t and η_{t+1} .

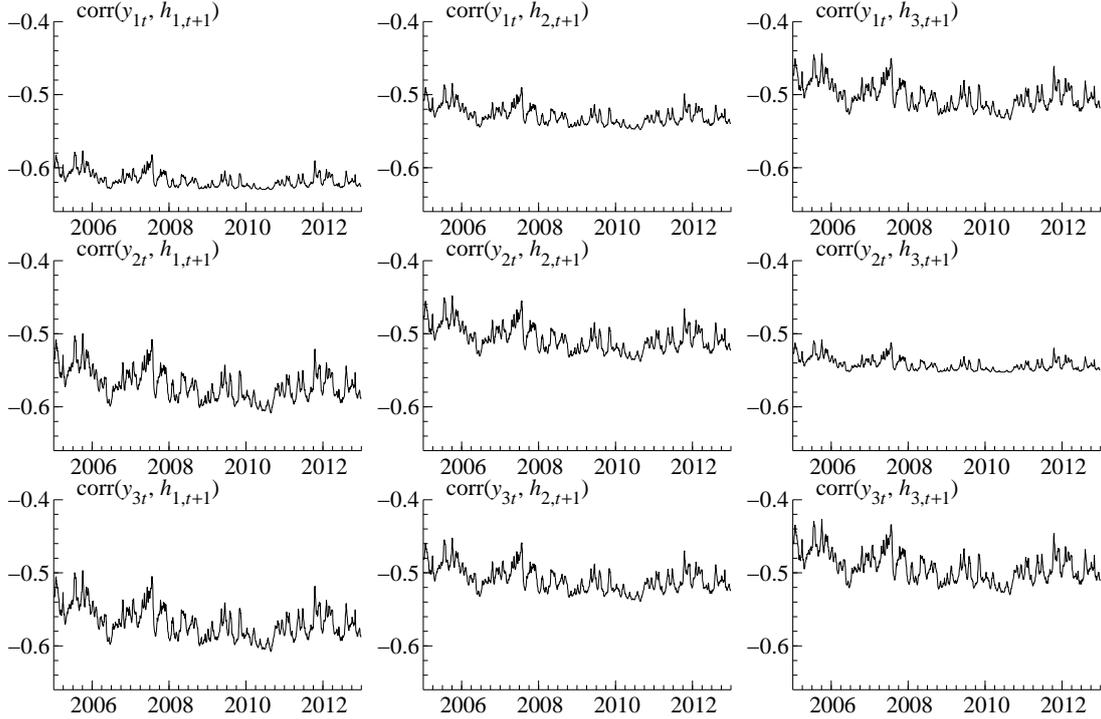


Figure 3: Posterior means of correlation of $(y_{it}, h_{j,t+1})$.

Figure 3 shows the posterior means of dynamic correlations between the return of i -th asset at time t ($y_{i,t}$) and the j -th log variance at time $t + 1$ ($h_{j,t+1}$). Their trajectories are negative and far from zero, which indicates the existence of the cross leverage effect.

We note that the leverage effect of asset 1 is the strongest (the mean is -0.617) and the leverage effect of asset 3 is the weakest (the mean is -0.492) among the cross leverage effects. In addition, the correlations between y_{1t} and $h_{2,t+1}$ is apparently weaker than the correlations between y_{2t} and $h_{1,t+1}$. It indicates that cross leverage effects from asset i to j , $i \neq j$, are not symmetric.

In conclusion, using our multivariate DESV model, we can therefore detect the volatility clustering, the dynamic equicorrelation and the cross leverage effects of the three subindices.

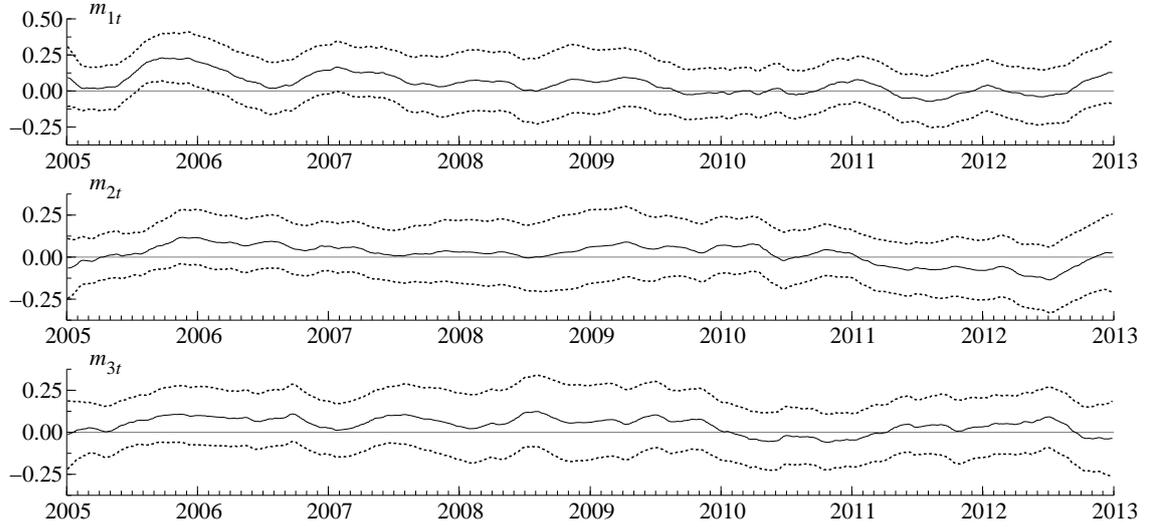


Figure 4: Posterior means (solid lines) and 95% credible intervals (between the two outmost dotted lines) of the expectations.

Figure 4 shows the posterior means of the expectations of the asset returns. We find that the 95% credible intervals include zero at almost all of the time points as expected. It seems to fluctuate slowly, which is consistent with the small values of the variances ($\omega_{m_j}^2$'s) reported in Table 2.

Note that the acceptance rates for $\{\mathbf{h}_t\}_{t=1}^n$ and $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ in the independent MH algorithms are 0.645 and 0.791, respectively. It indicates that the generated candidates are accepted with relatively high probability and our sampling algorithm works well.

5.3 Model comparison

In modeling time-varying variances of asset returns, it is important to forecast the future covariance matrices of the time series for the financial risk management. To evaluate such a forecasting performance, we conduct out-of-sample covariance forecasts and give the minimum variance portfolios. It has often been implemented to investigate such a forecasting performance by the well-known mean-variance optimization (e.g., Luenberger (1997)).

Suppose that $E(\mathbf{y}_{t+1}|\mathcal{F}_t)$ and $\text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1}|\mathcal{F}_t)$ denote, respectively, the conditional mean

and covariance of a p -dimensional vector \mathbf{y}_{t+1} , the asset return at time $t + 1$, given \mathcal{F}_t , the information at time t . In this study, we make two hedge portfolios: a global minimum variance (GMV) portfolio and a minimum variance (MV) portfolio. The GMV portfolio weights (\mathbf{w}) are obtained as the solution to the problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}' \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t) \mathbf{w} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{w}' \mathbf{1}_p = 1. \quad (65)$$

We set the MV portfolio weights (\mathbf{w}) as the solution to the problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w}' \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t) \mathbf{w} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{w}' \mathbf{1}_p = 1 \text{ and } \mathbf{w}' \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t) \geq q_0, \quad (66)$$

where q_0 is the target value. It indicates that we make the expected returns exceed q_0 for this case. The optimal weights are given by

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{GMV}} = \frac{1}{a} \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_p, \quad (67)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{MV}} = \frac{c - q_0 b}{ac - b^2} \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_p + \frac{q_0 a - b}{ac - b^2} \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t), \quad (68)$$

where

$$a = \mathbf{1}'_p \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_p, \quad (69)$$

$$b = \mathbf{1}'_p \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t), \quad (70)$$

$$c = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)' \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t). \quad (71)$$

We implement the rolling forecast as follows:

1. Estimate the parameters of interest using the data from January 2005 to December 2010. (We set the data as $\{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n$.)
2. For the next 3 months including n_1 trading days, i.e., $t = n + 1, \dots, n + n_1 - 1$,
 - (a) use the particle filter (e.g., Doucet, de Freitas, and Gordon (2001)) to compute $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)$ and $\text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t)$ numerically (Note that they cannot be obtained analytically). See Appendix A.2 for details.
 - (b) compute the two hedge portfolio weights described above and the “realized” returns, $\mathbf{w}'_{\text{GMV}} \mathbf{y}_{t+1}$, $\mathbf{w}'_{\text{MV}} \mathbf{y}_{t+1}$.

3. Include the new observations of the next three months to our estimation period and remove the old observations of the first three months. Re-estimate the parameters of interest using the six-year-data (re-labeled as $\{\mathbf{y}_t\}_{t=1}^n$).
4. Go to 2.

This is repeated until all one-step-ahead forecasts and portfolio choices are conducted through December 2012. In the end, we calculate the standard deviations of the “realized” returns (493 in total). The numerical standard error of the estimate is obtained by repeating the particle filter forty times.

As a benchmark for the model comparison, we also estimate the univariate SV model with leverage effect introduced in Section 1. We set the number of particles $M = 100,000$ and the target value $q_0 = -10, 0, 10, 20$ annually.

Table 3: Out-of-sample portfolio standard deviations (standard errors in parentheses).

	GMV	MV(-10)	MV(0)	MV(10)	MV(20)
DESV	1.477 (0.001)	1.745 (0.053)	1.835 (0.072)	2.094 (0.115)	2.446 (0.154)
univariate	1.484 (0.000)	2.581 (0.062)	3.158 (0.109)	3.935 (0.153)	4.756 (0.194)

Table 3 shows the out-of-sample portfolio standard deviations using the six-year rolling estimation window. The prior distributions for each estimation are the same as those of the previous subsection. For each of the hedging strategies, the standard deviation based on our multivariate model is smaller than that of the univariate model. We note that MV portfolio strategy with $q_0 = 20$ (annually) makes the biggest difference between the two and GMV portfolio strategy makes the smallest difference between the two. Thus, our proposed model with the time-varying covariance structure show good out-of-sample forecasting performances with respect to dynamic GMV and MV portfolios. It suggests that for asset returns with time-varying variances we should model the covariance structure between the asset returns and the one-step-ahead variances including the dynamic correlations between the asset returns.

6 Conclusion

This article proposed the novel multivariate stochastic volatility model with dynamic equicorrelation and cross leverage effect. We took a Bayesian approach and described the efficient MCMC algorithm by dividing the latent variables of our nonlinear model into several blocks and approximating them to those of linear Gaussian state-space models. Its sampling efficiency is illustrated using simulated data in comparison with the single-move sampler.

An empirical study is provided using industrial sector index data of TOPIX. We find the persistence in the volatilities and equicorrelations and the existence of strong cross leverage effects. In comparison with the univariate model, our DESV model achieves efficient out-of-sample portfolios with significantly lower variances.

Our proposed model may be extended to the block-equicorrelation model. As shown in this article, the equicorrelation assumption is very simple but useful. Meanwhile, the assumption seems to be too strong and runs counter to the intuition, especially when the number of dependent variables is very large. However, this is beyond the scope of this paper and we will pursue in our future work.

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The computational results are obtained using Ox version 5.10 (see Doornik (2007)).

Appendix

A.1 Computations for the block-sampler

Noting that

$$\frac{\partial R_t^{-1/2}}{\partial g_t} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{diag} \begin{bmatrix} (p-1)\{1+(p-1)\rho_t\}^{-3/2}(1-\rho_t)\rho_t \\ -(1-\rho_t)^{-1/2}\rho_t \cdot \mathbf{1}_{p-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot R'_O, \quad (72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2 R_t^{-1/2}}{\partial g_t^2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \text{diag} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{3}{2}(p-1)^2\{1+(p-1)\rho_t\}^{-5/2}(1-\rho_t)\rho_t + (p-1)\{1+(p-1)\rho_t\}^{-3/2}(1-2\rho_t) \\ \{-\frac{1}{2}(1-\rho_t)^{-3/2}\rho_t - (1-\rho_t)^{-1/2}\} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{p-1} \end{bmatrix} \cdot R'_O, \end{aligned} \quad (73)$$

$$\frac{\partial V_t^{-1/2}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} = \text{diag} \left\{ \mathbf{0}', -\frac{1}{2} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} h_{j_1 t} \right), \mathbf{0}' \right\}, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad (74)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 V_t^{-1/2}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}^2} = \text{diag} \left\{ \mathbf{0}', \frac{1}{4} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} h_{j_1 t} \right), \mathbf{0}' \right\}, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad (75)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 V_t^{-1/2}}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2 t}} = O, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad j_2 = 1, \dots, p, \quad j_1 \neq j_2, \quad (76)$$

we compute \mathbf{d}_t, A_t, B_t as below.

A.1.1 Computations for $\{h_t\}_{t=1}^n$

Derivation of \mathbf{d}_t , $t = s+1, \dots, s+r$. We can obtain

$$(\mathbf{d}_t)_{j_1} = \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} + \frac{\partial l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}}, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad (77)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} &= - \left\{ R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) + Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right\}' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \\ &\quad \cdot \left[R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) - Q' \Omega^{-1} \{ \mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \} \right] - \frac{1}{2}, \end{aligned} \quad (78)$$

$$\frac{\partial l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} = \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1}$$

$$\cdot \left[R_{t-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_{t-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_{t-1} - \mathbf{m}_{t-1}) - Q' \Omega^{-1} \{ \mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_{t-1} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \} \right]. \quad (79)$$

Derivation of A_t , $t = s + 1, \dots, s + r$. We can obtain

$$(A_t)_{[j_1, j_1]} = -\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 l_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}^2} \right) - \frac{\partial^2 l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}^2}, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad (80)$$

$$(A_t)_{[j_1, j_2]} = -\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 l_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2 t}} \right) - \frac{\partial^2 l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2 t}}, \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad j_2 = 1, \dots, p, \quad j_1 \neq j_2, \quad (81)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(\partial^2 l_t / \partial h_{j_1 t}^2) \\ &= -\text{tr} \left[\left\{ \frac{\partial^2 V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}^2} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right\} \mathbb{E}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)'\} \right] \\ & \quad - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)' \left[-\frac{\partial^2 V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}^2} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \{ \mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 2 \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right] \\ & \quad - \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right)' \Phi \Omega^{-1} Q (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}}, \end{aligned} \quad (82)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(\partial^2 l_t / \partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2 t}) \\ &= -\text{tr} \left\{ \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_2 t}} \cdot \mathbb{E}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)'\} \right\} \\ & \quad - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)' \left\{ \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_2 t}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\partial V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_2 t}} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}'} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right\} \\ & \quad - \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right)' \Phi \Omega^{-1} Q (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_2 t}}, \end{aligned} \quad (83)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2 t}} = - \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}} \right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_2 t}} \right). \quad (84)$$

We note that

$$\mathbf{z}_t = R_t^{-1/2} V_t^{-1/2} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) \sim N(Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\}, I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q), \quad (85)$$

and hence that

$$E(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) = V_t^{1/2} R_t^{1/2} Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\}, \quad (86)$$

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) = V_t^{1/2} R_t^{1/2} (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q) (R_t^{1/2})' V_t^{1/2}, \quad (87)$$

$$E\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)'\} = \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) + E(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)E(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)'. \quad (88)$$

Derivation of B_t , $t = s + 2, \dots, s + r$. We can obtain

$$(B_t)_{[j_1, j_2]} = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2, t-1}}\right), \quad j_1 = 1, \dots, p, \quad j_2 = 1, \dots, p, \quad (89)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_1 t} \partial h_{j_2, t-1}}\right) &= \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}}\right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} R_{t-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\partial V_{t-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial h_{j_2, t-1}} E(\mathbf{y}_{t-1} - \mathbf{m}_{t-1}) \\ &\quad + \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_t}{\partial h_{j_1 t}}\right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \left(Q' \Omega^{-1} \Phi \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_{t-1}}{\partial h_{j_2, t-1}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (90)$$

A.1.2 Computations for $\{g_t\}_{t=1}^n$ (block-sampler)

Derivation of \mathbf{d}_t , $t = s + 1, \dots, s + r$. We can obtain

$$\mathbf{d}_t = \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial g_t}, \quad (91)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial g_t} &= - \left\{ \frac{\partial R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial g_t} \cdot V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) \right\}' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \\ &\quad \cdot \left[R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t) - Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\} \right] + \frac{1}{2} p(p-1) \rho_t^2 \{1 + (p-1) \rho_t\}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (92)$$

Derivation of A_t , $t = s + 1, \dots, s + r$. We can obtain

$$A_t = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 l_t}{\partial g_t^2}\right), \quad (93)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}(\partial^2 l_t / \partial g_t^2) \\
&= -\text{tr} \left[\left\{ V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial^2 R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial g_t^2} \right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial g_t} \right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} \frac{\partial R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial g_t} V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \mathbb{E}\{(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)'\} \right] \\
&\quad + \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{m}_t)' V_t^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial^2 R_t^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\partial g_t^2} \right)' (I_p - Q' \Omega^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q' \Omega^{-1} \{\mathbf{h}_{t+1} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \Phi(\mathbf{h}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu})\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} p(p-1) \rho_t^2 (1 - \rho_t) \{1 + (p-1)\rho_t\}^{-2} \{2 + (p-1)\rho_t\}. \tag{94}
\end{aligned}$$

Derivation of B_t , $t = s+2, \dots, s+r$. We can obtain $B_t = 0$.

A.2 Particle filter

Let $f(\mathbf{h}_t | Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$ denote the density function of \mathbf{h}_t given $(Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$ where $Y_t = \{\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_t\}$, and let $\hat{f}(\mathbf{h}_t | Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$ denote the discrete approximation to $f(\mathbf{h}_t | Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$.

We draw M samples from the conditional joint distribution of $(\mathbf{h}_{t+1}, \mathbf{h}_t, g_{t+1}, g_t, \mathbf{m}_{t+1}, \mathbf{m}_t)$ given $(Y_{t+1}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$ with the density

$$\begin{aligned}
& f(\mathbf{h}_{t+1}, \mathbf{h}_t, g_{t+1}, g_t, \mathbf{m}_{t+1}, \mathbf{m}_t | Y_{t+1}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \\
& \propto f(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathbf{h}_{t+1}, g_{t+1}, \mathbf{m}_{t+1}, Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) f(\mathbf{h}_{t+1} | \mathbf{h}_t, g_t, \mathbf{m}_t, Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) f(g_{t+1} | g_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) f(\mathbf{m}_{t+1} | \mathbf{m}_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) \\
& \quad \times f(\mathbf{h}_t, g_t, \mathbf{m}_t | Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}). \tag{95}
\end{aligned}$$

We implement the particle filter:

1. (a) Generate

$$\mathbf{h}_1^{(i)} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{h}_1}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{h}_1}), \quad g_1^{(i)} \sim N(\mu_{g_1}, \sigma_{g_1}^2), \quad \mathbf{m}_1^{(i)} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{m}_1}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{m}_1}), \quad i = 1, \dots, M,$$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{h}_1}, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{m}_1}$ are some constant vectors, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{h}_1}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{m}_1}$ are some constant positive-definite matrices, μ_{g_1} is some constant and $\sigma_{g_1}^2$ is some positive constant (we adopt the posterior mean vectors of $\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{m}_1$, the posterior covariance matrices of $\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{m}_1$, the posterior mean of g_1 and the posterior variance of g_1), respectively.

(b) Compute

$$\pi_i = \frac{\tilde{\pi}_i}{\sum_{j=1}^M \tilde{\pi}_j}, \quad \tilde{\pi}_i = \frac{f(\mathbf{y}_1 | \mathbf{h}_1, g_1, \mathbf{m}_1, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) f(\mathbf{h}_1, g_1, \mathbf{m}_1 | \boldsymbol{\vartheta})}{g(\mathbf{h}_1, g_1, \mathbf{m}_1 | \boldsymbol{\vartheta})}, \quad (96)$$

where $g(\cdot)$ is a density generating $\mathbf{h}_1^{(i)}, g_t^{(i)}$ and $\mathbf{m}_1^{(i)}$.

(c) Set $\hat{f}(\mathbf{h}_1^{(i)}, g_1^{(i)}, \mathbf{m}_1^{(i)} | Y_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \pi_i$.

2. For $t = 1, \dots, n + n_1 - 1$,

(a) generate $\mathbf{h}_t^{(i)}, g_t^{(i)}, \mathbf{m}_t^{(i)} \sim \hat{f}(\mathbf{h}_t, g_t, \mathbf{m}_t | Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$.

(b) generate $\mathbf{h}_{t+1}^{(i)} \sim f(\mathbf{h}_{t+1} | \mathbf{h}_t^{(i)}, g_t^{(i)}, \mathbf{m}_t^{(i)}, Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$, $g_{t+1}^{(i)} \sim f(g_{t+1} | g_t^{(i)}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$, $\mathbf{m}_{t+1}^{(i)} \sim f(\mathbf{m}_{t+1} | \mathbf{m}_t^{(i)}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta})$.

(c) compute

$$\pi_i = \frac{\tilde{\pi}_i}{\sum_{j=1}^M \tilde{\pi}_j}, \quad \tilde{\pi}_i = f(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathbf{h}_{t+1}^{(i)}, g_{t+1}^{(i)}, \mathbf{m}_{t+1}^{(i)}, Y_t, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}). \quad (97)$$

(d) set $\hat{f}(\mathbf{h}_{t+1}^{(i)}, g_{t+1}^{(i)}, \mathbf{m}_{t+1}^{(i)} | Y_{t+1}, \boldsymbol{\vartheta}) = \pi_i$.

Note that $\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathbf{h}_{t+1}, g_{t+1}, \mathbf{m}_{t+1} \sim N_p(\mathbf{m}_{t+1}, V_{t+1}^{1/2} R_{t+1} V_{t+1}^{1/2})$, $t = 1, \dots, n + n_1 - 1$.

For $t = n, \dots, n + n_1 - 1$, we obtain

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{t+1|t} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{m}_{t+1}^{(i)} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t), \quad (98)$$

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{t+1|t} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M V_{t+1}^{1/2(i)} R_{t+1}^{(i)} V_{t+1}^{1/2(i)} + \Omega_m \rightarrow \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}_{t+1} | \mathcal{F}_t). \quad (99)$$

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