

EE435: Assignment 8

1. Estimate VARs models using spot return (rspot) and future return (rfuture) as endogenous variables and determine the most appropriate lags models using SBIC.

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. varsoc rspot rfuture, maxlag(10)
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Selection-order criteria

Sample: 12 - 7684

Number of obs = 7673

lag	LL	LR	df	p	FPE	AIC	HQIC	SBIC
0	76671.7				7.2e-12	-19.9843	-19.9837	-19.9825
1	76840.9	338.5	4	0.000	6.9e-12	-20.0274	-20.0255	-20.0219
2	76931.4	180.85	4	0.000	6.7e-12	-20.0499	-20.0468	-20.0408
3	76963.2	63.709	4	0.000	6.7e-12	-20.0571	-20.0528	-20.0445
4	76979.4	32.291	4	0.000	6.7e-12	-20.0603	-20.0547	-20.044
5	77017.6	76.544	4	0.000	6.6e-12	-20.0692	-20.0624	-20.0493
6	77049.6	63.872	4	0.000	6.5e-12	-20.0765	-20.0684	-20.053*
7	77059.6	20.054	4	0.000	6.5e-12	-20.0781	-20.0688	-20.0509
8	77070.3	21.332	4	0.000	6.5e-12	-20.0798	-20.0693*	-20.0491
9	77076.4	12.37*	4	0.015	6.5e-12*	-20.0804*	-20.0686	-20.046
10	77080.2	7.4487	4	0.114	6.5e-12	-20.0803	-20.0673	-20.0423

Endogenous: rspot rfuture

Exogenous: \_cons

From the table above, the most appropriate lag model using SBIC is lag (1/6) with the lowest value of SBIC (-20.053).



2. Perform stability test and Granger exogeneity test.

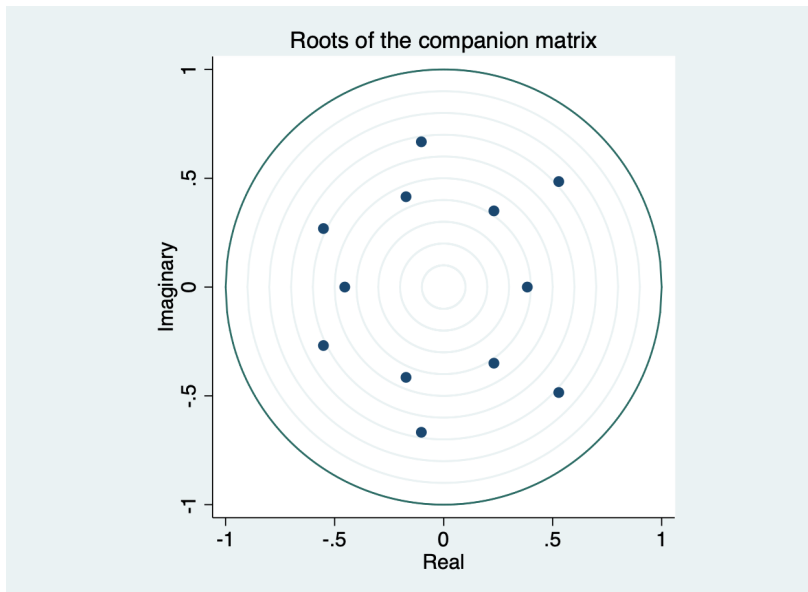
Stability Test

. varstable, graph

Eigenvalue stability condition

Eigenvalue	Modulus
.5279554 + .4847924i	.716771
.5279554 - .4847924i	.716771
-.1022778 + .6675194i	.67531
-.1022778 - .6675194i	.67531
-.5513603 + .2689237i	.613448
-.5513603 - .2689237i	.613448
-.4536067	.453607
-.1726167 + .4151256i	.449584
-.1726167 - .4151256i	.449584
.2305361 + .3500458i	.419141
.2305361 - .3500458i	.419141
.3837855	.383786

All the eigenvalues lie inside the unit circle.  
VAR satisfies stability condition.



we see that all eigenvalues  
lie inside the unit circle.  
Therefore, the VAR satisfies  
the stability condition and  
the model has stability  
property.

Granger Test

. vargranger

H0:  $\Delta z_1(L) = 0$  H1:  $\Delta z_2(L) = 0$   
Granger causality Wald tests

we use the Granger test to prove for the independent system or whether  $x_t$  is exogeneous variables. we see that the prob > chi2 for all variables are 0 ( $0 < 0.05$ ), indicating that the

Equation	Excluded	chi2	df	Prob > chi2
rspot	rfuture	82.299	6	0.000
rspot	ALL	82.299	6	0.000
rfuture	rspot	148.42	6	0.000
rfuture	ALL	148.42	6	0.000

null hypothesis is rejected at 95% confidence level. Therefore, both variables have endogeneity and interdependent relationship.

3. Perform Impulse response analysis and determine which variable has more impact.

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. irf create order1, order(rspot rfuture) step(6) set(irf01)
(file irf01.irf created)
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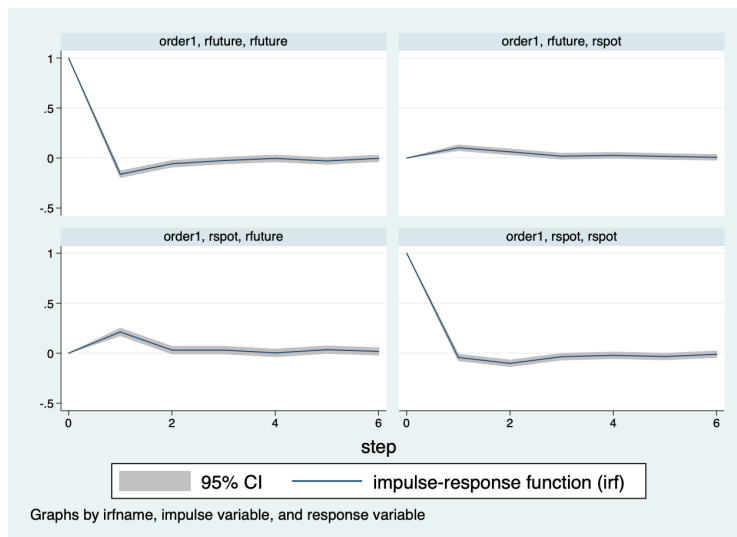
. irf table irf, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rspot rfuture)
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Results from order1

step	(1)			(2)			(3)			(4)		
	irf	Lower	Upper	irf	Lower	Upper	irf	Lower	Upper	irf	Lower	Upper
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	-.042989	-.074543	-.011434	.211774	.175513	.248035	.102511	.075055	.129966	-.162359	-.19391	-.130809
2	-.101957	-.133505	-.070409	.030833	-.00561	.067276	.061675	.034224	.089126	-.057352	-.089063	-.025641
3	-.034997	-.066566	-.003428	.030738	-.005677	.067153	.018216	-.009265	.045697	-.025324	-.057023	.006376
4	-.02148	-.052956	.009995	.002714	-.033596	.039023	.026291	-.001106	.053688	-.004062	-.035665	.027541
5	-.033647	-.06485	-.002443	.034962	-.001046	.070971	.01553	-.011653	.042713	-.029332	-.060699	.002035
6	-.010717	-.041519	.020085	.017646	-.017933	.053226	.006933	-.01982	.033686	-.003566	-.034475	.027344

95% lower and upper bounds reported  
 (1) irfname = order1, impulse = rspot, and response = rspot  
 (2) irfname = order1, impulse = rspot, and response = rfuture  
 (3) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rspot  
 (4) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rfuture

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. irf graph irf, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rspot rfuture)
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To see whether which variable has more impact, we need to consider the magnitude of the impulse response function (irf).

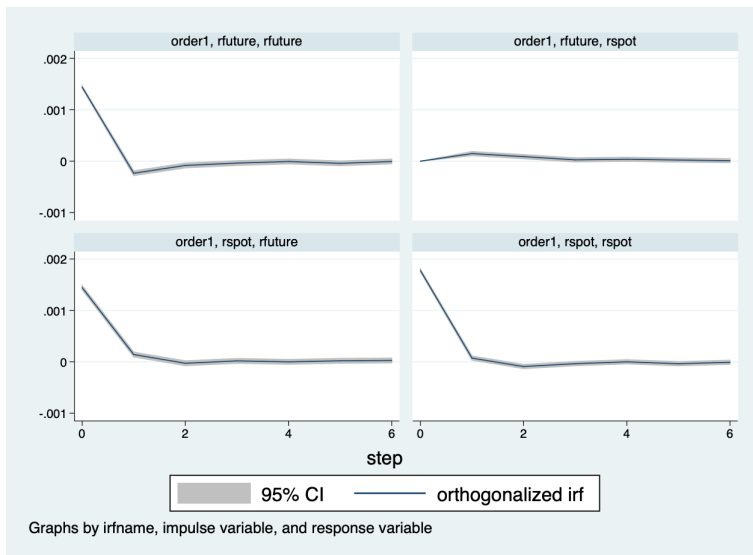
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. irf table oirf, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rspot rfuture)
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Results from order1

step	(1)			(2)			(3)			(4)		
	oirf	Lower	Upper	oirf	Lower	Upper	oirf	Lower	Upper	oirf	Lower	Upper
0	.001775	.001747	.001803	.001444	.001404	.001483	0	0	0	.001441	.001419	.001464
1	.000072	.000032	.000112	.000142	.000096	.000188	.000148	.000108	.000187	-.000234	-.00028	-.000188
2	-.000092	-.000132	-.000052	-.000028	-.000074	.000018	.000089	.000049	.000128	-.000083	-.000128	-.000037
3	-.000036	-.000076	4.1e-06	.000018	-.000028	.000064	.000026	-.000013	.000066	-.000037	-.000082	9.2e-06
4	-1.8e-07	-.00004	.00004	-1.0e-06	-.000047	.000045	.000038	-1.6e-06	.000077	-5.9e-06	-.000051	.00004
5	-.000037	-.000077	2.5e-06	.00002	-.000026	.000066	.000022	-.000017	.000062	-.000042	-.000087	2.9e-06
6	-9.0e-06	-.000049	.000031	.000026	-.00002	.000072	1.0e-05	-.000029	.000049	-5.1e-06	-.00005	.000039

95% lower and upper bounds reported

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- (3) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rspot
- (4) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rfuture



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. irf table coirf, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rspot rfuture)
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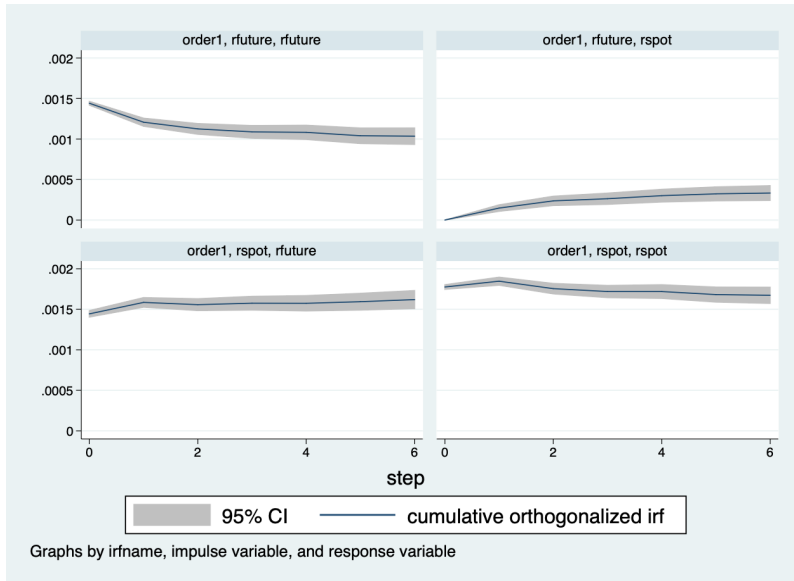
Results from order1

step	(1)			(2)			(3)			(4)		
	coirf	Lower	Upper	coirf	Lower	Upper	coirf	Lower	Upper	coirf	Lower	Upper
0	.001775	.001747	.001803	.001444	.001404	.001483	0	0	0	.001441	.001419	.001464
1	.001847	.001798	.001896	.001585	.001527	.001644	.000148	.000108	.000187	.001207	.001158	.001257
2	.001755	.001691	.001819	.001557	.001484	.00163	.000237	.00018	.000294	.001125	.001059	.00119
3	.001719	.001644	.001794	.001575	.001491	.001659	.000263	.000194	.000332	.001088	.00101	.001166
4	.001719	.001635	.001803	.001574	.00148	.001668	.000301	.000223	.000379	.001082	.000995	.00117
5	.001682	.001589	.001774	.001594	.001491	.001697	.000323	.000238	.000409	.00104	.000945	.001136
6	.001673	.001573	.001772	.00162	.001509	.001731	.000333	.000242	.000424	.001035	.000934	.001136

95% lower and upper bounds reported

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- (2) irfname = order1, impulse = rspot, and response = rfuture
- (3) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rspot
- (4) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rfuture

From the table of coirf, we see that all lower and upper don't cover zero, so the test is significant at 95% confidence level. The impulse response of rspot has more impact on rspot while the impulse response of rspot has more impact on rfuture.



4. Perform Forecast error variance decomposition and determine variable that has more impact on each endogenous variable.

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. irf table fevd, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rspot)
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Results from order1

step	(1) fevd	(1) Lower	(1) Upper	(2) fevd	(2) Lower	(2) Upper
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0
2	.993131	.989465	.996798	.006869	.003202	.010535
3	.990693	.98638	.995006	.009307	.004994	.01362
4	.990483	.986145	.994821	.009517	.005179	.013855
5	.990038	.98565	.994426	.009962	.005574	.01435
6	.989888	.985487	.994289	.010112	.005711	.014513

95% lower and upper bounds reported  
 (1) irfname = order1, impulse = rspot, and response = rspot  
 (2) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rspot

From the table, about 98-99% of variation of rspot caused by rspot and less than 1% caused by rfuture. We see that the lower and upper don't cover 0, so the test is significant. Thus, rspot has more impact on rspot because of a higher decomposition percentage.

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. irf table fevd, impulse(rspot rfuture) response(rfuture)
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Results from order1

step	(1) fevd	(1) Lower	(1) Upper	(2) fevd	(2) Lower	(2) Upper
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	.500791	.484986	.516596	.499209	.483404	.515014
2	.496679	.480799	.512558	.503321	.487442	.519201
3	.495972	.480066	.511879	.504028	.488121	.519934
4	.495855	.479951	.51176	.504145	.48824	.520049
5	.495851	.479947	.511756	.504149	.488244	.520053
6	.495689	.479783	.511594	.504311	.488406	.520217

95% lower and upper bounds reported  
 (1) irfname = order1, impulse = rspot, and response = rfuture  
 (2) irfname = order1, impulse = rfuture, and response = rfuture

The variance of rfuture that caused by rspot and rfuture is approximately 50-50%. The lower and upper bounds of the test don't cover zero, so the test is significant. Thus, the impact of rspot and rfuture are almost the same on rfuture.