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### Commercial meets Open Source – Tuning STATISTICA with R

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### % Introduction %



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### Extremely powerful environment for statistical computing!



- Provides packages for different areas (data mining, econometrics, biostatistics, etc.).
- Offers methods from different disciplines (time series analysis, statistical process control, bootstrapping, cluster analysis, etc.).
- Reflects state-of-art in statistical sciences.
- Freely available!



### ... on the other hand:

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**R** is not particularly user-friendly!

#### No graphical user interface, where whole repertoire of methods fully integrated.

Methods not available for users, who have not learnt the R language.

No powerful spreadsheet environment, which enables intuitive way of data manipulation.





#### ⇒ Potential users from applied sciences and industry often do not have the heart to work with R!

### Users often prefer the comfort of a commercial package like STATISTICA.



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#### $\Rightarrow$ Idea:

### Combine the power of R with the comfort of STATISTICA!



# Use STATISTICA as an easily operated interface with a respectable basic equipment of statistical procedures.

Integrate **specialised statistical procedures and sophisticated techniques** offered by R into the user interface of STATISTICA.



# The user does data analysis in STATISTICA, using the readily available methods,

#### and

using **macros** written in Visual Basic, which access R for advanced computations.

### $\Rightarrow$ Use power of R

without the need to learn the R language!





### % Procedure %





### **Required:**

- Base version of STATISTICA with its
  Viewel Peeie development environment
- Visual Basic development environment;
- **R** together with necessary packages;
- ► **R DCOM Server** of Baier & Neuwirth (2007)





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# After having installed STATISTICA, R, R DCOM Server, ...

the remaining steps (programming & application) are done within the user-interface of STATISTICA.





## How can we write a STATISTICA macro, which is able to access functionalities offered by R?

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#### Visual Basic environment allows to easily design user dialogs, ...

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# Compared to a "standard" macro, only **one additional step** is necessary:

### Include R DCOM ("StatConnector") libraries.





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'Starte R:
rzugriff.Init ("R")
rzugriff.EvaluateNoReturn ("library(spc)")
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Durchsuchen





### Afterwards, a new type of object is available:

StatConnector object.

This object allows to communicate with R.



# **StatConnector**-objects offer a number of methods:

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### Dim rzugriff As StatConnector Set rzugriff = New StatConnector









Starting R: rzugriff.Init("R")

#### Receive possible error messages: rzugriff.GetErrorText

Shut down connection: rzugriff.Close





Most important methods:

# obj.Evaluate("R command") obj.EvaluateNoReturn("R command")

obj.SetSymbol("R variable", value)
obj.GetSymbol("R variable")





# **★** Example 1 **★**



### STATISTICA offers a number of approaches from SQC:

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- Reliable design of EWMA and CUSUM charts is not possible with simple k- $\sigma$  rule.
- Instead:
- Consider
- **ARL** performance
- of charts.

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## However: STATISTICA does not allow to compute ARLs!

But R does: spc package of Knoth (2007).

#### $\Rightarrow$ Tune STATISTICA with R!





#### Macro "ARLwithR.svb":

### Dim robj As StatConnector Set robj = New StatConnector

### Load spc-package: robj.EvaluateNoReturn("library(spc)")

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# Compute ARL of EWMA chart:

robj.Evaluate("
xewma.arl(l=0.1,
c=2.7,mu=0.0,
sided="two",
limits="vacl")
")







# Compute limits of EWMA chart:

robj.Evaluate("
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# **★** Example 2 **★**



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STATISTICA offers a large number of methods from time series analysis. E.g., it is able to fit any type of ARIMA model.

### However, STATISTICA not able to fit GARCH models!

But R does:

tseries package of Trapletti (2007).

### $\Rightarrow$ Tune STATISTICA with R!





#### Macro "GARCHwithR.svb":

- Dim robj As StatConnector
- Set robj = New StatConnector

Load tseries-package: robj.EvaluateNoReturn("library(tseries)")

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Submit data to R, assign it to R variable called "data":

robj.SetSymbol
("data",
spreadsht.Data)



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#### Ask R to fit a GARCH(1,1) model:

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robj.EvaluateNoReturn("
data.garch<-garch(data,order=c(1,1))
")</pre>







Ask R for ...

- maximized log-likelihood:
  robj.Evaluate("logLik(daten.garch)")
- estimated coefficients:
- robj.Evaluate("coef(daten.garch)")
- estimated covariance matrix:
- robj.Evaluate("vcov(daten.garch)")



- estimated residuals:
- robj.Evaluate("residuals(daten.garch)")
- Use these results and prepare STATISTICA output:

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# \* Latest Developments







### Above approach for accessing R can be realized with any version of STATISTICA.

### Only few days ago, the new release MR-3 for STATISTICA, version 8

occurred, see www.statsoft.com.

 $\rightarrow$  several new approaches for interacting with R!



Essentially, four main innovations:

- Run R scripts straight from STATISTICA.
- Call R scripts from STATISTICA macro.
- New commands for R scripts to simplify data transfer between R and STATISTICA.
- New commands for SVB macros to simplify data transfer between R and STATISTICA.





### **Run R scripts from STATISTICA:**

 $\rightarrow$  Simply open file with extension <code>.r</code> or <code>.s</code>.

Then run script like usual SVB macro.

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    model<-paste("Fitted GARCH(",p,",",q,") model",sep="")</pre>
    daten<-ActiveDataSet[varnr:varnr]
    plot.ts(daten,type="1")
    daten.nrow<-nrow(daten)
    daten.garch \langle - garch(daten, order = c(p,q))
    daten.garch.logLik<-logLik(daten.garch)
    AIC<-2*daten.garch.logLik + 2*n
    #AIC<-sapplv(daten.garch, AIC)
    BIC<-2*daten.garch.logLik + log(daten.nrow-1)*n
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#### **Output in workbook:**

- ► A report (≈ RTF file) with console output.
- Graphs generated by plot as separate metafiles.







### Extend these R scripts with the new commands offered by STATISTICA:

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<pre># 'Designed for particular data file EuStockMarkets_LogReturns.sta (selects variable 6).  # 'Designed for particular data file EuStockMarkets_LogReturns.sta (selects variable 6).  p&lt;-1 q&lt;-1 varnr&lt;-6 n&lt;-p+q+1 model&lt;-paste("Fitted GARCH(",p,",",q,") model",sep="")</pre>	
<pre>dater&lt;-ActiveDataSet[varnr:varnr] plot.te(dater.type="1" daten.nrow&lt;-nrow(daten) daten.garch &lt;- garch(daten, order = c(p,q)) daten.garch.logLik&lt;-logLik(daten.garch) AIC&lt;-2*daten.garch.logLik + 2*n #AIC&lt;-sapply(daten.garch, AIC) BIC&lt;-2*daten.garch.logLik + log(daten.nrow-1)*n</pre>	
RouteOutput(surmary(daten.garch)[2:2][[1]], "Fitted Model", paste(model, "with AIC", AIC, "and BIC", RouteOutput(as matrix(summary(daten.garch)[1:1][[1]]), "Estimated Residuals", paste("Estimated Re RouteOutput(surmary(daten.garch)[5:5][[1]], "Jarque-Bera Test", paste("Jarque-Bera Test of", model RouteOutput(surmary(daten.garch)[6:6][[1]], "Box-Ljung Test", paste("Box-Ljung Test of", model)) # RouteOutput(vcvv(daten.garch), "Estimated Covariance Matrix", paste("Estimated Covariance Matri	~
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#### Important new commands for R scripts:

- ActiveDataSet [FromVar:ToVar]
- Spreadsheet ("path")
- $\rightarrow$  Access STATISTICA data file.
- RouteOutput (R table, name, header)
- $\rightarrow$  Transfer R tables to STATISTICA tables,
- display them separately in a workbook (optional: with name "*name*", header "*header*").

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#### Call R script from SVB macro:

GARCHwithR_2.svb		
Objekt: (Allgemein)	Proz: Main	<b>•</b>
Objekt [Allgemein] 'Werte abfragen: p=CLng(dlg.TextBox1a)'Parameter p q=CLng(dlg.TextBox1b)'Parameter p 'Fehlerbehandlung bzgl. Eingabe: If p<0 Then MsgBox "p is not a"+vbCrLf+"non-negati vbCritical+vbOkOnly."Error" GoTo ende End If If q<0 Then MsgBox "q is not a"+vbCrLf+"non-negati	<pre>ve integer value!",</pre>	
vbCritical+vbOkOnly,"Error" GoTo ende End If Dim oColl As New Collection oColl.Add(tabelle,"daten") oColl.Add(VarListe(1),"varnr") oColl.Add(p,"ppar") oColl.Add(g,"gpar")		
Dim oMacro As Macro Set oMacro=Macros.Open("D:\Eigene Dateien\ oMacro.ExecuteWithArgument(oColl)	KategorialeZeitreihen\Vortraege\us	eR! 2008\Vortrag\GARCH.r")
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- Dim oMacro As Macro
- Set oMacro=Macros.Open("path")
- Run macro by one of following approaches:
- oMacro.Execute
- oMacro.ExecuteWithArgument(oColl)
- oMacro.executeNoRouteOutput (oColl)





#### oMacro.Execute

Just execute R macro, output controlled from R script, e.g., using command **RouteOutput**.





#### oMacro.ExecuteWithArgument(oColl)

- Like before, but submit initial values through newly created **SVB Collection object**:
- Dim oColl As New Collection
  oColl.Add(STCAobj, "name")
  "name" ist variable's name in R.





#### oMacro.executeNoRouteOutput(oColl)

- Like before, but no immediate output to workbook. **Instead:**
- Returns an object of newly created type **StaDocCollection**.
- Items of this object can be processed in SVB macro.





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