High-Dimensional Non-Stationary Time Series Analysis



IRTG 1792 Short Course

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Empirical Finance

1. The Predictability of Asset Returns

Start with the introduction about econometrics and finance background, this part mainly covers the random walk hypothesis, efficient markets hypothesis, tests of efficient market hypothesis based on autocorrelations, standard errors and distribution theory, combining with empirical evidence.

2. Empirical Market Microstructure

We treat three main topics in empirical market microstructure: stale prices, bid-ask spreads and price discreteness. Stale prices are due to infrequent trading. Price discreteness is due to the fact that prices are quoted in multiples of the minimum price increment (tick size). There are a number of explanations for what determines the bid ask spread.

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