

# Minimal Spanning Trees (MST) analysis of random time series from different distributions

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# Introduction

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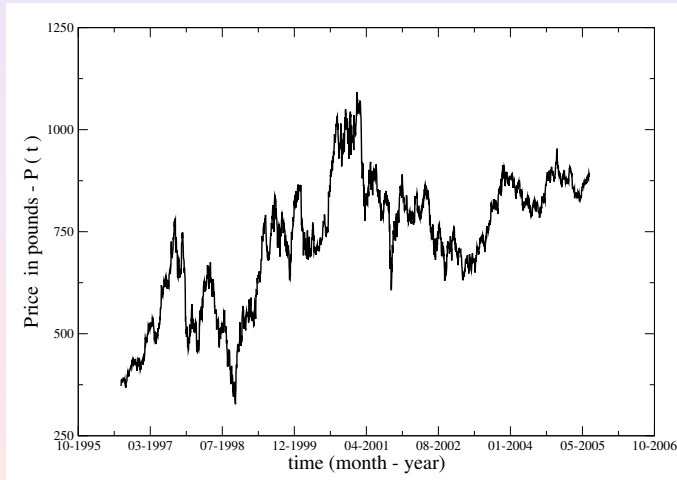
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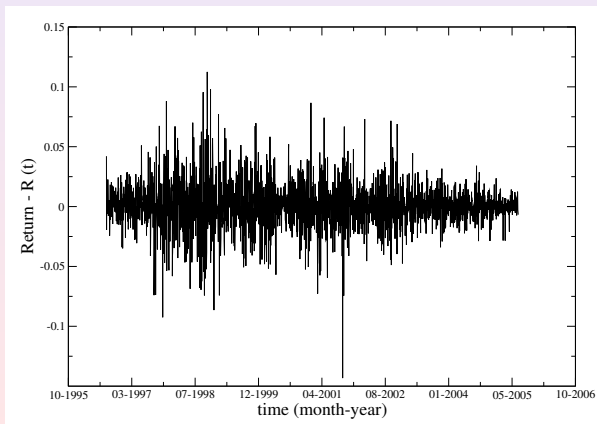


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# Log-return of a stock from the FTSE100 (HSBC)

$$R_i(t) = \ln P_i(t) - \ln P_i(t - 1) \quad (1)$$



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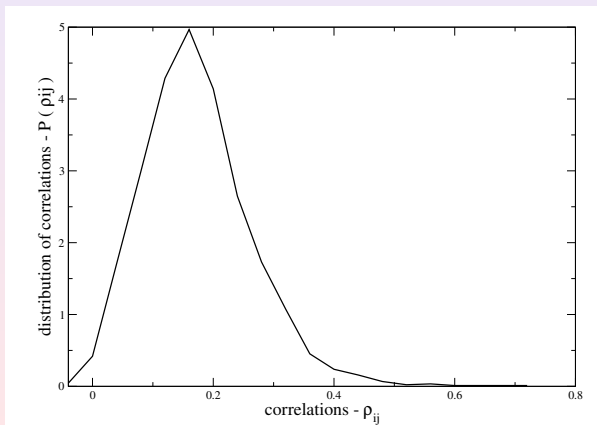
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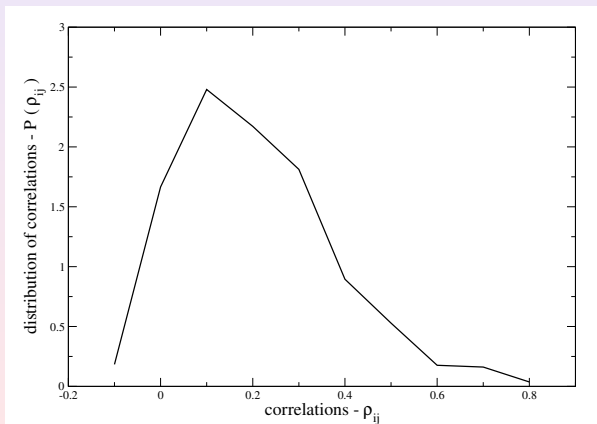
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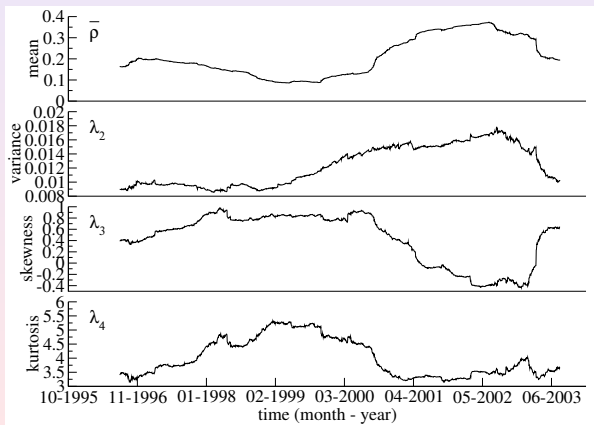
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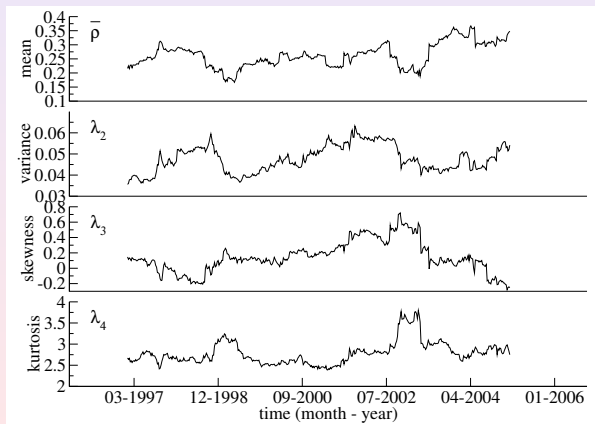
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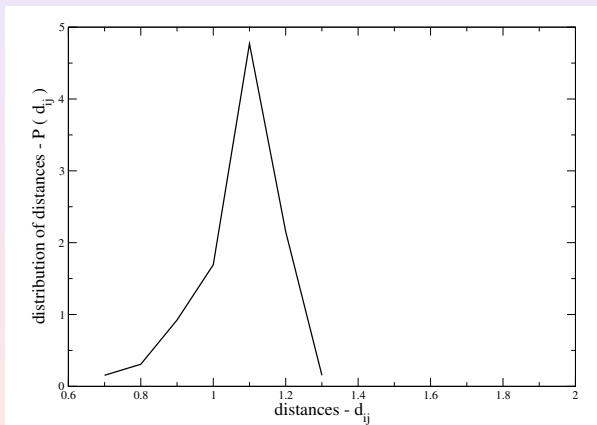
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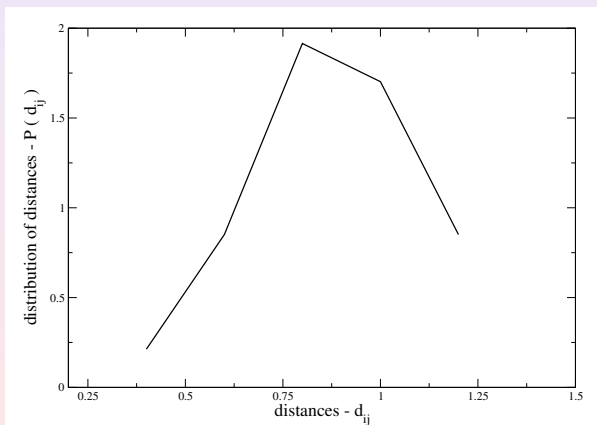
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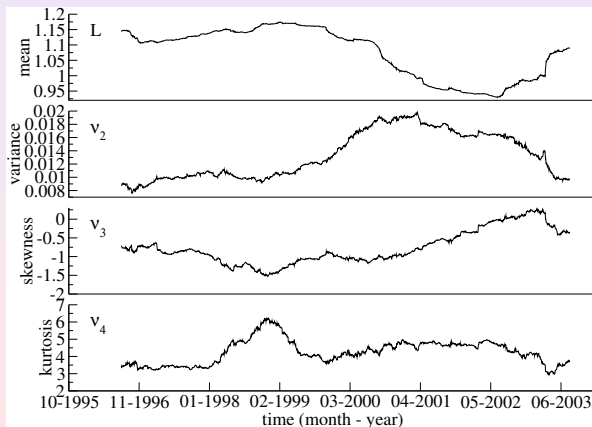
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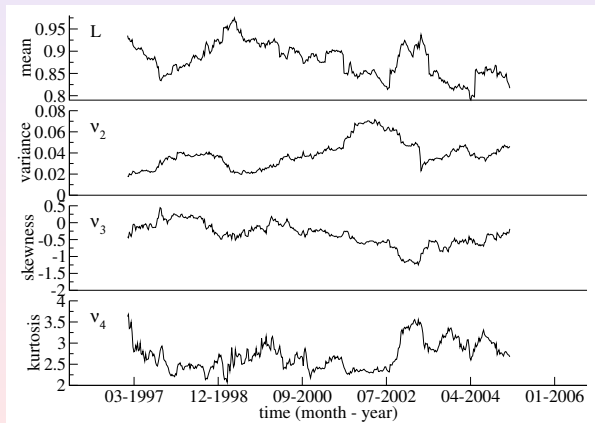
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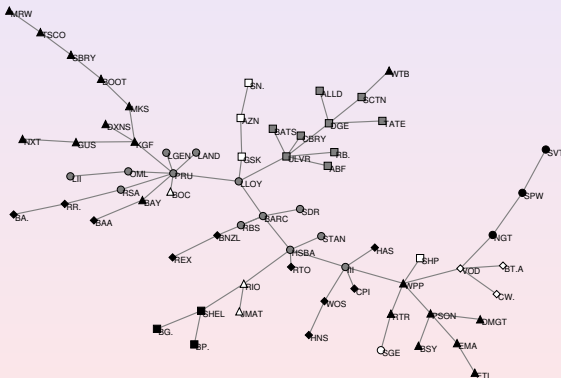


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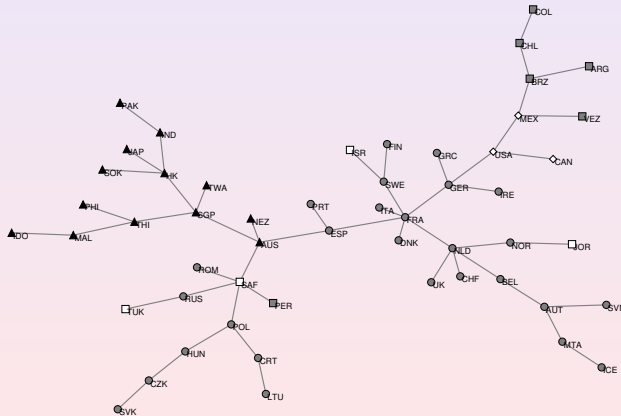
# Stocks cluster in industrial sectors (ICB classification)

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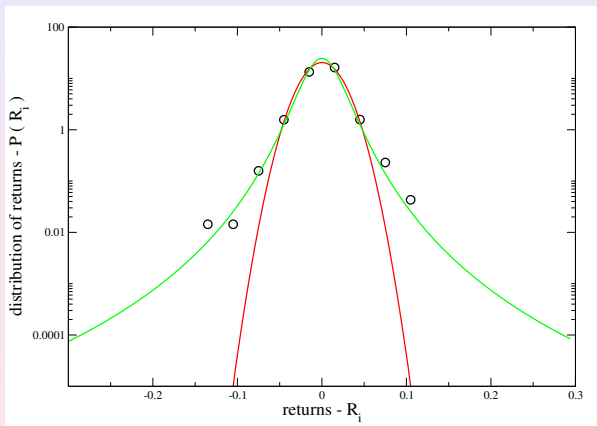
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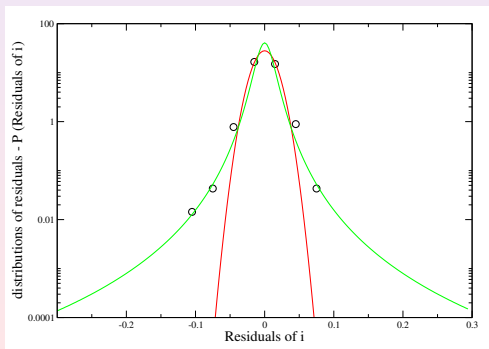
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## Distribution of the Residuals (HSBC)

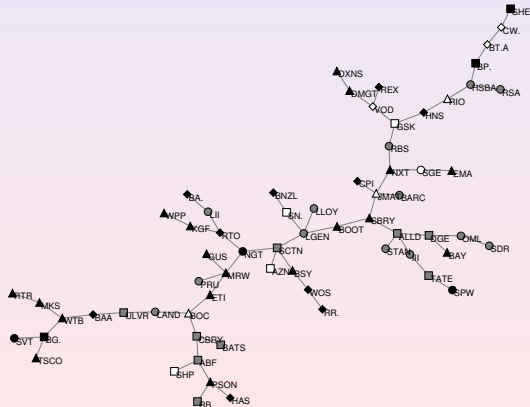
Residuals of a stock is the difference between the returns and the values estimated using the *Market Model*:

$$Res_i(t) = R_i(t) - \alpha_i - \beta_i R_M(t) \quad (16)$$



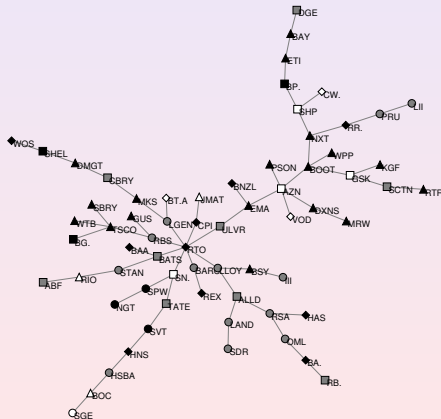
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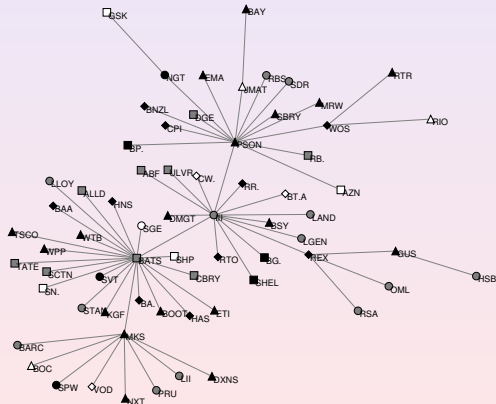
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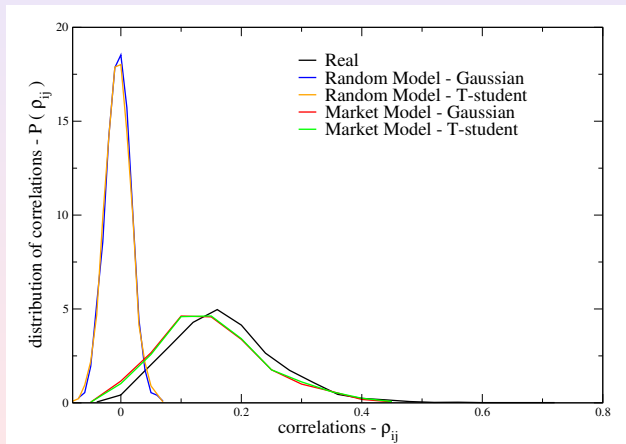




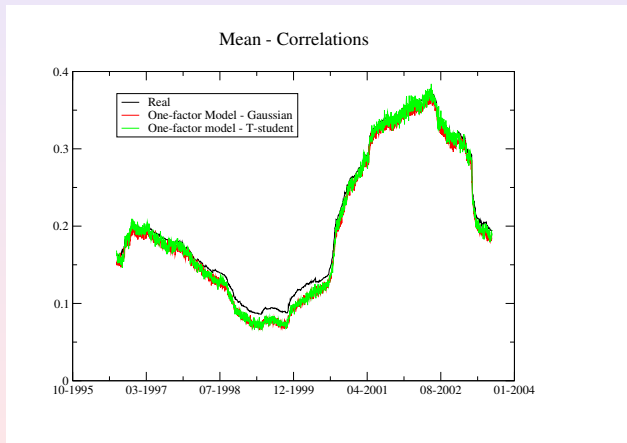
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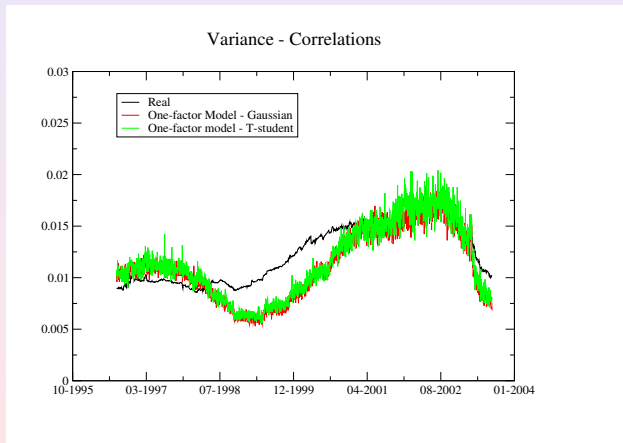
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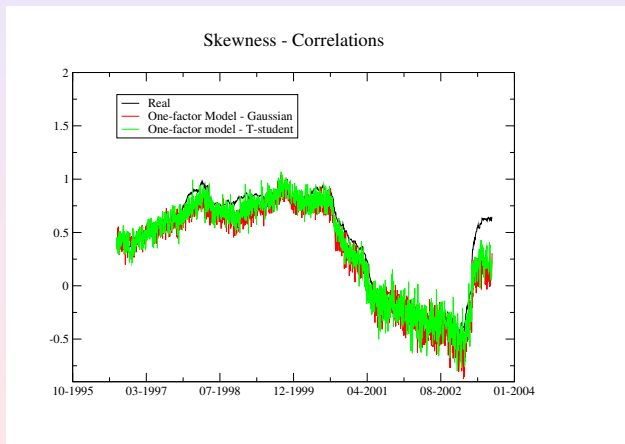
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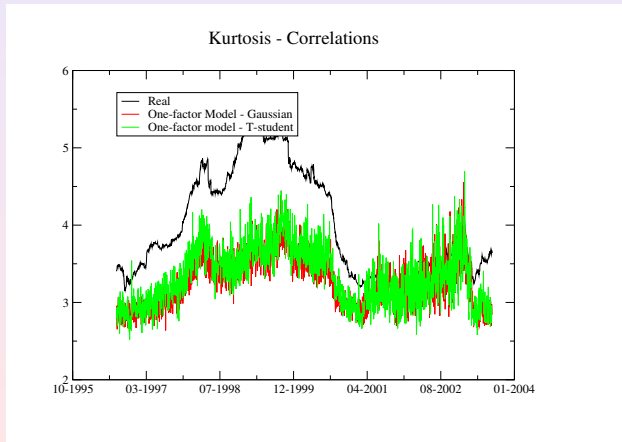
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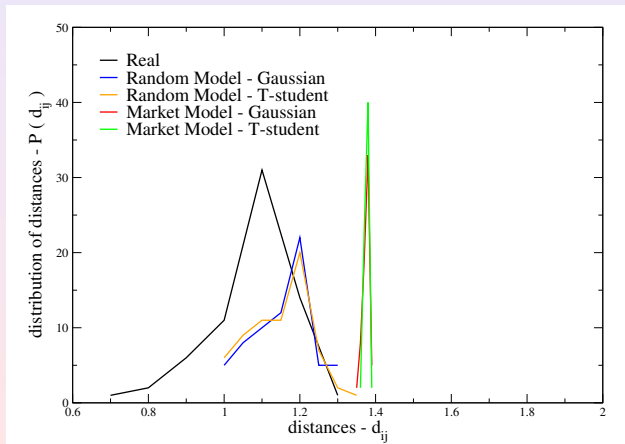
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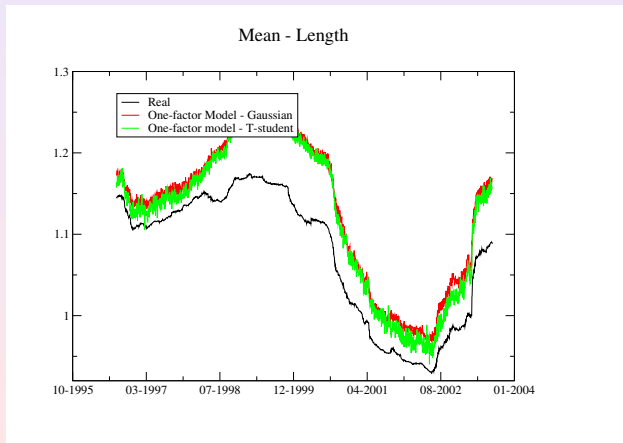
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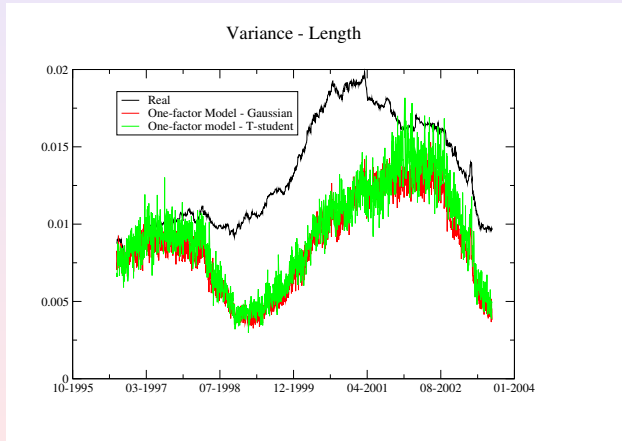
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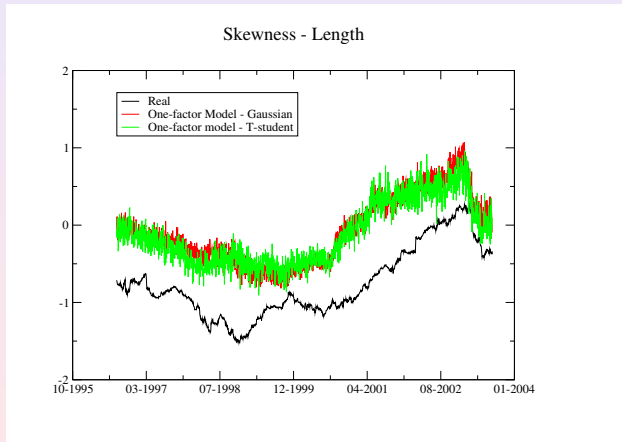
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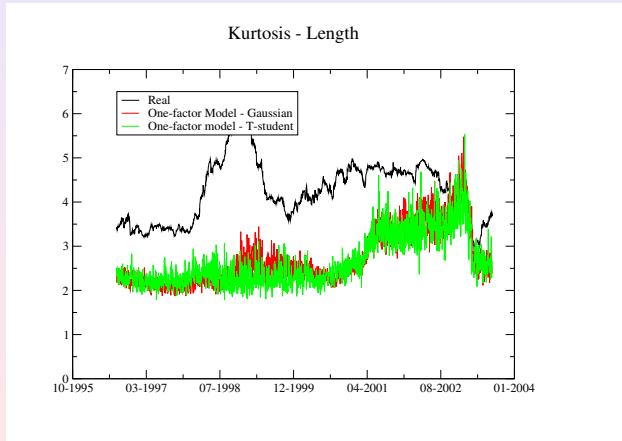
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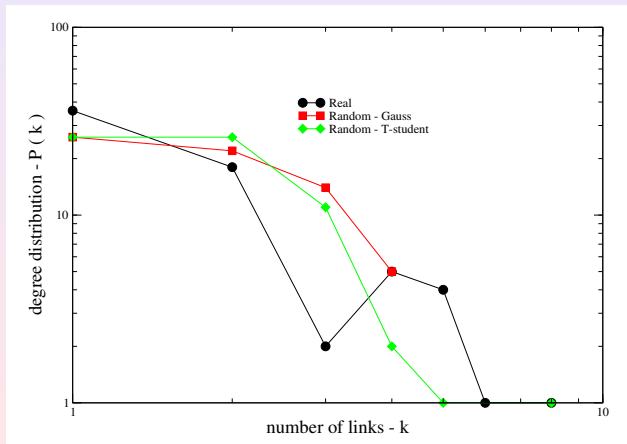
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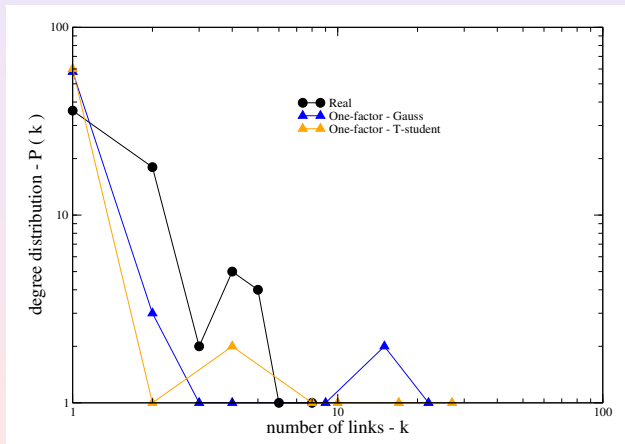
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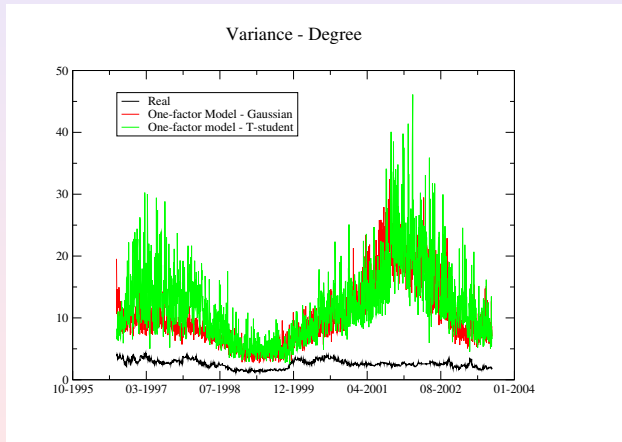
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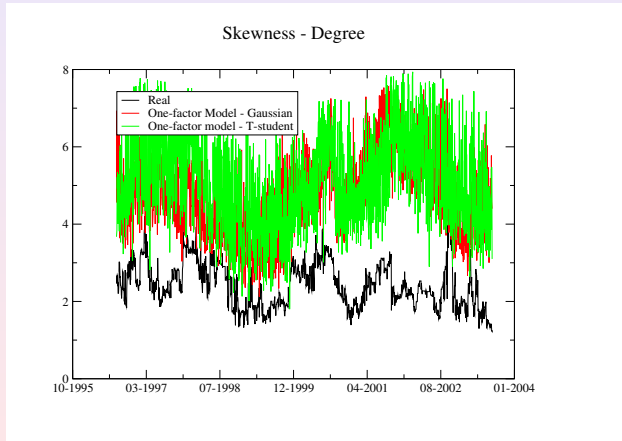
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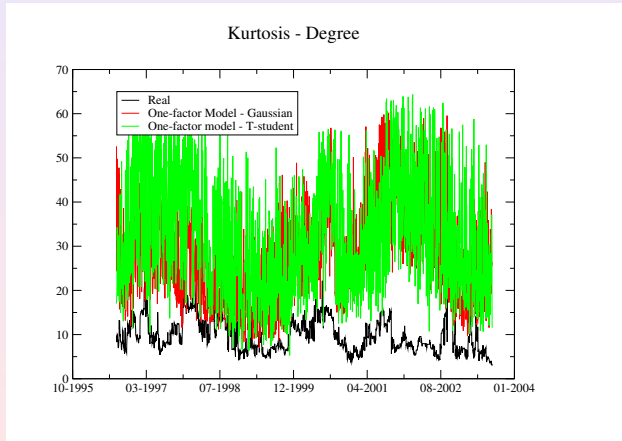
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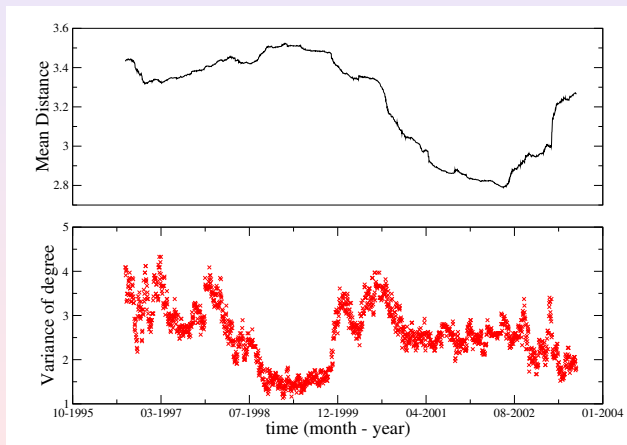
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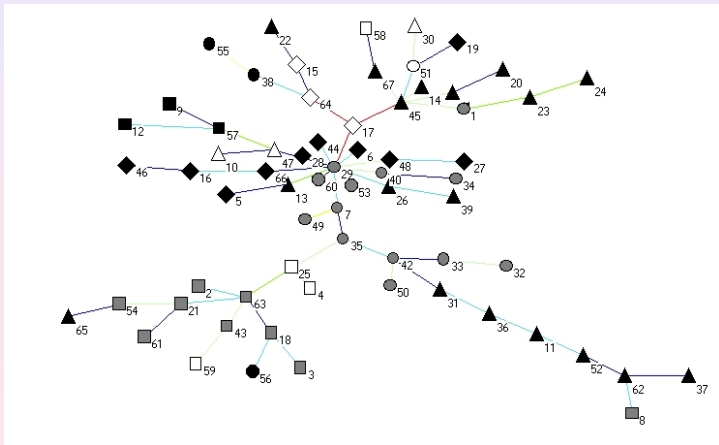
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