

### 3. Details

#### Calculation steps for the Volatility Indicator

The volatility indicator is calculated based on the overnight return and the intraday realized variance using the following steps:

- a. Calculate the sum of 5-minute squared log-returns (intraday variance for day d) over all  $n$  5-minute intervals  $t$  of a trading day  $d$ ,

$$\text{variance}_{\text{intraday},d} = \sum_{t=1}^n \log\left(\frac{\text{price}_{t,d}}{\text{price}_{t-1,d}}\right)^2$$

- b. Calculate the squared overnight log-return (in the same instrument) (overnight variance)

$$\text{variance}_{\text{overnight},d} = \log\left(\frac{\text{price}_{\text{first},d}}{\text{price}_{\text{last},d-1}}\right)^2,$$

with

$$\text{price}_{\text{first},d} = \text{price}_{t-1,d}, \text{ with } t = 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\text{price}_{\text{last},d-1} = \text{price}_{t,d-1}, \text{ with } t = n$$

- c. Take the sum of intraday and overnight volatility and scale it to a 30-day volatility by multiplying with  $\sqrt{30} \cdot 100$ , in the following this will be called  $RV_{\text{Raw}}$

$$RV_{\text{raw},d} = \sqrt{(\text{variance}_{\text{overnight},d} + \text{variance}_{\text{intraday},d})} \sqrt{30} \cdot 100$$

- d. Take the average of the  $RV_{\text{Raw}}$  over the last  $m$  days (later on referred to as Averaging Window), this term is called volatility indicator:

$$\text{Volatility Indicator}_d = \max\left\{\frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{t=1}^{m-1} RV_{\text{raw},d-t}, RV_{\text{raw},d}\right\}$$

The volatility indicator will be calculated per product type for one benchmark product.