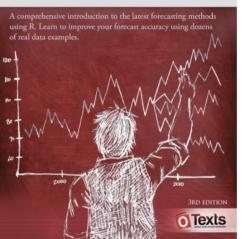
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FORECASTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE



10. Dynamic regression models

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- Be careful in distinguishing η_t from ε_t .
- Only the errors ε_t are assumed to be white noise.
- In ordinary regression, η_t is assumed to be white noise and so $\eta_t = \varepsilon_t$.

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 - Minimizing $\sum \varepsilon_t^2$ avoids these problems.
 - Maximizing likelihood similar to minimizing $\sum \varepsilon_t^2$.

Stationarity

Regression with ARMA errors

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mathbf{x}_{1,t} + \cdots + \beta_k \mathbf{x}_{k,t} + \eta_t,$$

where η_t is an ARMA process.

- All variables in the model must be stationary.
- If we estimate the model while any of these are non-stationary, the estimated coefficients can be incorrect.
- Difference variables until all stationary.
- If necessary, apply same differencing to all variables.

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Equivalent to model with ARIMA(1,0,1) errors

$$y'_{t} = \beta_{1}x'_{1,t} + \cdots + \beta_{k}x'_{k,t} + \eta'_{t},$$

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where
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After differencing all variables

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