

Assignment NO.2 FTS

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1. A

(a) *Pf.*

$$\begin{aligned}y_t &= c_0 + \alpha y_{t-1} \\&= c_0 + \alpha(c_0 + \alpha y_{t-2}) \\&= \dots\dots \\&= c_0 \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \alpha^i + \alpha^t\end{aligned}$$

(b) *Pf.* i.e. to prove that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \alpha^i = \frac{1 - \alpha^t}{1 - \alpha} \quad (1)$$

It's obvious that equation (1) holds if and only if $|\alpha| \neq 1$.

(c) A random walk with intercept terms.

$$2. y_t = c_0 + \alpha y_{t-1} + b_1 \epsilon_t + b_2 \epsilon_{t-1}$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}y_t &= (1 - \alpha L)^{-1} c_0 + (1 - \alpha L)^{-1} (b_1 \epsilon_t + b_2 \epsilon_{t-1}) \\&= \dots\dots \\&= (1 - \alpha)^{-1} c_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \alpha^i (b_2 + \alpha b_1) \epsilon_{t-1-i}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$y_{t+j} = (1 - \alpha)^{-1} c_0 + b_1 \epsilon_{t+j} + \dots + \alpha^{j-1} (\alpha b_1 + b_2) \epsilon_t + \dots$$

Thus, the dynamic multiplier is $\frac{\partial y_{t+j}}{\partial \epsilon_t} = \alpha^{j-1} (\alpha b_1 + b_2)$

(c)

$$CIRF = \frac{\partial y_{t+j}}{\partial \epsilon_t} + \frac{\partial y_{t+j}}{\partial \epsilon_{t+1}} + \dots + \frac{\partial y_{t+j}}{\partial \epsilon_{t+j}} = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \alpha^i (b_2 + \alpha b_1)$$

3. (a) The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 1.2\lambda + 0.2 = 0$, and the solutions are $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $\lambda_2 = 0.2$; meanwhile the solutions of inverse characteristic equation are $\lambda'_1 = 1$ and $\lambda'_2 = 5$. It is not a stationary series.

(b) The characteristic equation is $\lambda^2 - 1.2\lambda + 0.4 = 0$, and the solutions are $\lambda_1 = 0.6 + 0.2i$ and $\lambda_2 = 0.6 - 0.2i$; meanwhile the solutions of inverse characteristic equation are $\lambda'_1 = 1.5 + 0.5i$ and $\lambda'_2 = 1.5 - 0.5i$. It is a stationary series.