

ECON7350 - Tutorial 4 Solutions

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Error Correction Decomposition

- Lecture 4: 24/36
- Let $\alpha(L)$ be a polynomial in L of degree r : $\alpha(L) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L + \dots + \alpha_r L^r$.
- For every $\alpha(L)$, there exists a polynomial $\tilde{\alpha}(L)$ of degree $r - 1$, such that:

$$\tilde{\alpha}(L)(1 - L) = \alpha(L) - \alpha(1)L$$

- This property of polynomials is used to transform ARDL(p, l, s) into another useful representation called the error correction model (ECM) form.

Error Correction Decomposition

Let

$$a(L) = \tilde{a}(L)(1 - L) + a(1)L,$$

$$b(L) = \tilde{b}(L)(1 - L) + b(1)L,$$

$$c(L) = \tilde{c}(L)(1 - L) + c(1)L,$$

and substitute these into

$$a(L)y_t = a_0 + b(L)x_t + c(L)w_t + \varepsilon_{y,t}$$

Define the difference operator $\Delta = 1 - L$ such that $\Delta y_t = y_t - y_{t-1}$ and

$$a(L)y_t = \tilde{a}(L)\Delta y_t + a(1)y_{t-1}$$

$$b(L)x_t = \tilde{b}(L)\Delta x_t + b(1)x_{t-1}$$

$$c(L)w_t = \tilde{c}(L)\Delta w_t + c(1)w_{t-1}$$

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QUESTION 1: Derive the ECM representation of the following ARDL(1, 1, 2) model,

$$y_t = a_0 + a_1 y_{t-1} + b_0 x_t + b_1 x_{t-1} + c_0 w_t + c_1 w_{t-1} + c_2 w_{t-2} + \epsilon_{y,t}$$

Decomposing ARDL(1,1,2)

$$y_t = a_0 + a_1 y_{t-1} + b_0 x_t + b_1 x_{t-1} + c_0 w_t + c_1 w_{t-1} + c_2 w_{t-2} + \epsilon_{y,t} \quad (1)$$

We calculate the differences of the red terms w.r.t. previous period.

$$\begin{aligned} &= y_t = a_0 + \gamma - \gamma + y_{t-1} - y_{t-1} + a_1 y_{t-1} + b_0 x_t \\ &+ b_0 x_{t-1} - b_0 x_{t-1} + b_1 x_{t-1} + c_0 w_t + c_0 w_{t-1} - c_0 w_{t-1} \\ &+ c_1 w_{t-1} + c_2 w_{t-2} + c_2 w_{t-1} - c_2 w_{t-1} + \epsilon_{y,t} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_t - y_{t-1} &= a_0 + \gamma - \gamma - y_{t-1} + a_1 y_{t-1} + b_0 \Delta x_t + b_0 x_{t-1} \\ &+ b_1 x_{t-1} + c_0 \Delta w_t + c_0 w_{t-1} + c_1 w_{t-1} - c_2 \Delta w_{t-1} \\ &+ c_2 w_{t-1} + \epsilon_{y,t} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y_t &= \gamma - y_{t-1} + a_1 y_{t-1} + (a_0 - \gamma) + b_0 \Delta x_t + b_0 x_{t-1} \\ &+ b_1 x_{t-1} + c_0 \Delta w_t + c_0 w_{t-1} + c_1 w_{t-1} - c_2 \Delta w_{t-1} \\ &+ c_2 w_{t-1} + \epsilon_{y,t} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y_t = & \gamma - ((a_1 - 1)y_{t-1} + (a_0 - \gamma) + (b_0 + b_1)x_{t-1} + (c_0 + c_1 + c_2)w_{t-1}) \\ & + (a_0 - \gamma) + b_0 \Delta x_t + c_0 \Delta w_t - c_2 \Delta w_{t-1} + \epsilon_{y,t}\end{aligned}\quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y_t = & \gamma + \alpha (y_{t-1} - \mu - \beta_x x_{t-1} - \beta_w w_{t-1}) + \\ & b_0 \Delta x_t + c_0 \Delta w_t - c_2 \Delta w_{t-1} + \epsilon_t\end{aligned}\quad (7)$$

where,

$$\alpha = -(1 - a_1), \quad \beta_x = \frac{b_0 + b_1}{1 - a_1}, \quad \beta_w = \frac{c_0 + c_1 + c_2}{1 - a_1}, \quad \mu = \frac{a_0 - \gamma}{1 - a_1}$$

Question 2

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(See Lecture 4 Slides 24-28/36)

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$$\theta_j = \begin{cases} b_0/a_0 & \text{if } j = 0 \\ b_j - \frac{\sum_{k=2}^j a_k \theta_{j-k+1}}{a_1} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

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- IRF: Lecture 4 Slides 15/36
 - ▶ One-off: θ_h
 - ▶ Permanent: $\theta_0 + \dots + \theta_h$
 - LRM: Lecture 4 Slides 16/36 ($h \rightarrow \infty$)
 - ▶ One-off: $\lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \theta_h$
 - ▶ Permanent: $b(1)/a(1)$
 - We need θ_h to calculate IRFs and LRMs. So, we will use Q2 to estimate θ_h . Therefore, we need the coefficients a and b .