

Homework: 2024/12/04

1. Prove the asymptotic distribution of $T\hat{\rho}^2(k)$

The numerator of $\hat{\rho}(k)$ can be written as $\frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t-k} - \bar{Y})$

As $T \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t-k} - \bar{Y}) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-k} - \mu)$

And since $\{Y_t\}_{t=1}^T$ is IID, $E[(Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-k} - \mu)] = 0$, and $\text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-k} - \mu)\right] = \frac{\sigma^4}{T}$

$\sqrt{T} \left(\frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-k} - \mu) \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^4)$

so given $\hat{\rho}(k) = \frac{\frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t-k} - \bar{Y})}{\hat{\sigma}^2} \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{T-k} \sum_{t=k+1}^T \frac{(Y_t - \mu)}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{(Y_{t-k} - \mu)}{\sigma}$

$\therefore \sqrt{T} \hat{\rho}(k) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, which implies $T \hat{\rho}^2(k) = (\sqrt{T} \hat{\rho}(k))^2 \xrightarrow{d} \chi^2(1)$, QED.

2. Prove the asymptotic distribution of Box-Pierce statistic

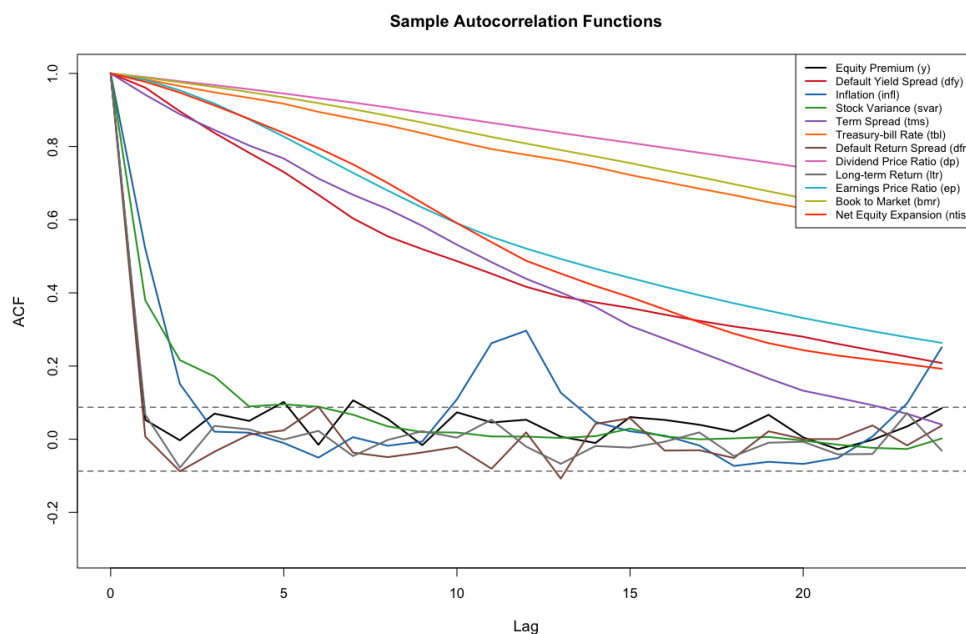
By #1, $Q(m) = T \cdot \sum_{k=1}^m \hat{\rho}^2(k) \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{k=1}^m \chi_k^2(1)$

since $\{Y_t\}_{t=1}^T$ is IID, which implies for different lagging k , $\chi_k^2(1)$ are independent

$\therefore Q(m) \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{k=1}^m \chi_k^2(1) \xrightarrow{d} \chi^2(m)$ as $T \rightarrow \infty$, QED.

3. Plot the sample autocorrelation function and test the null of IIDness for each of the 12 time series

Plot of sample autocorrelation function



Test the null of IIDness for each of the 12 time series

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Box-Pierce test results for Equity Premium (y) :  
m=12: Q = 23.03 , p-value = 0.0275  
m=24: Q = 34.2 , p-value = 0.0812  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Default Yield Spread (dfy) :  
m=12: Q = 2810.91 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 3376.78 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Inflation (infl) :  
m=12: Q = 235.12 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 289.65 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Stock Variance (svar) :  
m=12: Q = 126.84 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 128.13 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Term Spread (tms) :  
m=12: Q = 3035.22 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 3354.73 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Treasury-bill Rate (tbl) :  
m=12: Q = 4742.99 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 7443.11 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Default Return Spread (dfr) :  
m=12: Q = 15.08 , p-value = 0.2371  
m=24: Q = 27.53 , p-value = 0.2804  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Dividend Price Ratio (dp) :  
m=12: Q = 5172.4 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 8723.79 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Long-term Return (ltr) :  
m=12: Q = 9.56 , p-value = 0.6543  
m=24: Q = 18.36 , p-value = 0.7851  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Earnings Price Ratio (ep) :  
m=12: Q = 3572.37 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 4422.18 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Book to Market (bmr) :  
m=12: Q = 4973.9 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 7891.06 , p-value = 0  
  
Box-Pierce test results for Net Equity Expansion (ntis) :  
m=12: Q = 3595.62 , p-value = 0  
m=24: Q = 4174.72 , p-value = 0
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We can see that the Box-Pierce statistic implies that the null of IIDness is rejected for most of the time series. For dfr & ltr, the null of IIDness is not rejected at 5% level, which implies that these two time series are IID. And for y, the null of IIDness is rejected when m=12, but not when m=24.

4. Source Code

[Source Code](#)