Problem Set 2 Questions 2 and 4

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Preamble

This file contains questions 2 and 4 of Problem Set 2. Here we set the seed and load the main packages.

```
rm(list=ls())
set.seed(999)
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching packages -----
                                      ----- tidyverse 1.3.0 --
## v ggplot2 3.3.3
                      v purrr
                                0.3.4
## v tibble 3.0.4
                      v dplyr
                                1.0.2
## v tidyr
            1.1.2
                      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr
            1.4.0
                     v forcats 0.5.0
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                    masks stats::lag()
library(tidylog)
## Warning: package 'tidylog' was built under R version 4.0.5
## Attaching package: 'tidylog'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
      add_count, add_tally, anti_join, count, distinct, distinct_all,
##
      distinct_at, distinct_if, filter, filter_all, filter_at, filter_if,
##
      full_join, group_by, group_by_all, group_by_at, group_by_if,
##
      inner_join, left_join, mutate, mutate_all, mutate_at, mutate_if,
##
      relocate, rename, rename_all, rename_at, rename_if, rename_with,
##
      right_join, sample_frac, sample_n, select, select_all, select_at,
##
      select_if, semi_join, slice, slice_head, slice_max, slice_min,
      slice_sample, slice_tail, summarise, summarise_all, summarise_at,
##
##
      summarise_if, summarize, summarize_all, summarize_at, summarize_if,
##
      tally, top_frac, top_n, transmute, transmute_all, transmute_at,
      transmute_if, ungroup
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
      drop_na, fill, gather, pivot_longer, pivot_wider, replace_na,
##
##
      spread, uncount
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
## filter
library(urca)
library(zoo)

##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## as.Date, as.Date.numeric
path <- "C:\\Users\\psrov\\OneDrive - Fundacao Getulio Vargas - FGV\\Documentos\\EESP\\Disciplinas\\2 Toutline
</pre>
```

Question 2

We will run a Monte Carlo simulation for items 1. and 2. For the Monte Carlo simulation itself, I will use a standard for loop. Let's set the parameters. capT is the sample size T, alpha is the intercept α , delta is the slope δ and M is the number of Monte Carlo repetitions M.

```
capT = 10^4
alpha = 0
delta = 1
M = 10^4
```

Five degrees of freedom

Now we generate the $\{\epsilon_t\}$ process and run the simulations. dgfr stores the degrees of freedom and siglevel the level of significance. I use siglevel to calculate the tscore of a normal distribution. Then I create a 'results dataframe that will store the calculated t-scores of the linear regression.

I loop in i through 1 to M = 10⁴. I generate the $\{\epsilon_t\}$ process using the rt function and store the pseudorandom values in epsilon. Then I create the $\{Y_t\}$ process and store it in Yt. x is simply a sequence 1:10⁴. We will run a linear regression of $\{Y_t\}$ against a column of numbers from 1 to 10,000. I store the linear regression in the reg object. Note that to change the null hypothesis, I use as formula the expression Yt ~ x + offset(1.00*x). For more information about this, check: https://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/98 25/changing-null-hypothesis-in-linear-regression

Finally, I store each t-score in the results dataframe. To calculate the rejection rate, I use plyr::count to check how many values attend the condition abs(results) > abs(tscore).

```
dgfr = 5 # Degrees of freedom
siglevel = 0.1 # Significance level
tscore = qnorm(p = siglevel/2) # Tscore

results_5 <- data.frame(
   "tscore" = numeric(capT)
)

for(i in 1:M){
   epsilon = rt(n = capT, df = dgfr)
   Yt = alpha + delta*seq(1:capT) + epsilon</pre>
```

```
x = seq(1:capT)

reg <- lm(data = as.data.frame(Yt), formula = Yt ~ x + offset(1.00*x))

results_5$tscore[i] <- summary(reg)[["coefficients"]][2,"t value"]
}

freq_5 <- plyr::count(abs(results_5) > abs(tscore))
freq_5$freq[2]/10000*100
```

[1] 9.99

One degree of freedom

The rejection rate is 9.99, which is pretty close to the significante interval.

Now we perform the same procedure, but with dgfr = 1:

```
dgfr = 1 # Degrees of freedom
siglevel = 0.1 # Significance level
tscore = qnorm(p = siglevel/2) # Tscore

results_1 <- data.frame(
    "tscore" = numeric(capT)
)

for(i in 1:M){
    epsilon = rt(n = capT, df = dgfr)
    Yt = alpha + delta*seq(1:capT) + epsilon
    x = seq(1:capT)
    reg <- lm(data = as.data.frame(Yt), formula = Yt ~ x + offset(1.00*x))
    results_1$tscore[i] <- summary(reg)[["coefficients"]][2,"t value"]
}

freq_1 <- plyr::count(abs(results_1) > abs(tscore))
freq_1$freq[2]/10000*100
```

[1] 8.77

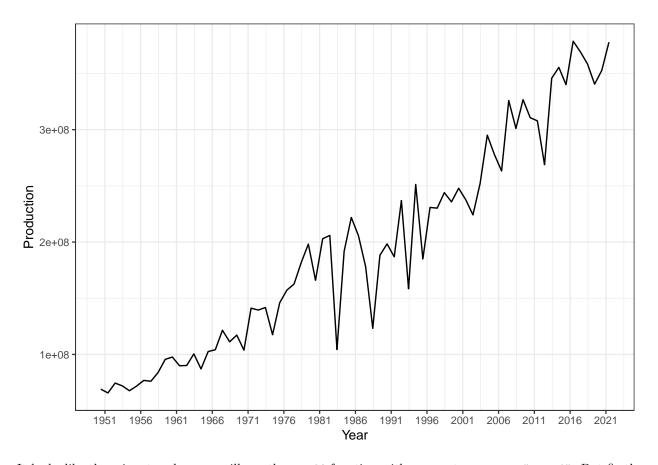
Now, the rejection rate is 8.77, which is lower than the significance level.

The rejection rates in items 1 and 2, 9.99 and 8.77, respectively, are very different from each other, considering that we are running ten thousand simulations and using a sample size of also ten thousand. This difference is explained by the fact that a t-distribution with a lower degree of freedom has higher variance. This reduces the t-statistic and, therefore, causes underrejection.

Question 4

Let's load and prepare the data:

```
corn_production <- readr::read_csv(paste0(path,"corn-production-land-us.csv")) %>%
  filter(Year >= 1950) %>%
  mutate(
   year = as.Date(as.character(Year), "%Y"),
   production = `Corn production (tonnes)`
 select(year,production)
##
## -- Column specification -------
## cols(
##
    Entity = col_character(),
    Code = col_character(),
##
##
    Year = col_double(),
     `Corn, area harvested (hectares)` = col_double(),
##
    `Corn production (tonnes)` = col_double()
## )
## filter: removed 84 rows (54%), 72 rows remaining
## mutate: new variable 'year' (Date) with 72 unique values and 0% NA
##
          new variable 'production' (double) with 72 unique values and 0% NA
## select: dropped 5 variables (Entity, Code, Year, Corn, area harvested (hectares), Corn production (t
To determine what kind of test we should do, let's plot the graph and do some visual analysis:
production_plot <- ggplot(data = corn_production) +</pre>
  geom_line(aes(x = year, y = production)) +
  scale_x_date(name = "Year", breaks = "5 years", date_labels = "%Y") +
  scale y continuous(name = "Production", breaks = waiver()) +
 theme_bw(base_size = 10)
print(production_plot)
```



It looks like there is a trend, so we will use the ur.df function with parameter type = "trend". But firstly, consider the model:

$$\Delta Y_t = \rho Y_{t-1} + \delta t + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i \Delta Y_t t - i + 1 + \epsilon_t$$
 (1)

We have the following convention:

```
(\phi 2) H_0: \rho = 1 and \delta = 0 and \alpha = 0
```

 $(\phi 3) \ H_0 : \rho = 1 \ \text{and} \ \delta = 0$

 $(\tau 3) H_0 : \rho = 1$

Let's test it:

```
production_urtest <- ur.df(y = corn_production$production, type = "trend", selectlags = "BIC")
summary(production_urtest)</pre>
```

```
## Call:
## lm(formula = z.diff ~ z.lag.1 + 1 + tt + z.diff.lag)
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                   1Q
                         Median
                                      3Q
                                               Max
## -88189259 -6955484
                        2877956 14633714
                                          43297503
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2.684e+07 8.353e+06
                                     3.213 0.00203 **
## z.lag.1
              -6.705e-01 1.543e-01
                                    -4.347 4.88e-05 ***
## tt
               2.982e+06 6.839e+05
                                     4.360 4.67e-05 ***
## z.diff.lag -1.808e-01 1.207e-01 -1.498 0.13899
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 25880000 on 66 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.4271, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4011
## F-statistic: 16.4 on 3 and 66 DF, p-value: 4.537e-08
##
## Value of test-statistic is: -4.3468 7.8636 9.5984
##
## Critical values for test statistics:
##
        1pct 5pct 10pct
## tau3 -4.04 -3.45 -3.15
## phi2 6.50 4.88 4.16
## phi3 8.73 6.49 5.47
```

Since -4.3468 < -4.04, 7.8636 > 6.50 and 9.5984 > 8.73, all of the null hypothesis defined above are reject at the 1% level. Therefore, there is no unit root under the null, but we do have a time trend and a drift.