

Problem set 4

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$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad \Pr(\text{defying}) &= \Pr(X_u(1) - X_u(0) = -1) \\ &= \Pr(-u_0 + u_1 \leq 0, -u_0 > 0) \\ &= \Pr(u_1 \leq u_0 < 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\text{complying}) &= \Pr(X_u(1) - X_u(0) = 1) \\ &= \Pr(-u_0 + u_1 > 0, -u_0 \leq 0) \\ &= \Pr(0 \leq u_0 < u_1) \end{aligned}$$

$\Pr(d) = 0$ and $\Pr(c) > 0$ when $u_1 \geq 0$
and $0 \leq u_0 \leq u_1$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2a) \quad E[y_t] &= E[\mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}] = \mu \\ \gamma(0) &= \text{var}(y_t) = \text{var}(\mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}) \\ &= \text{var}(\mu) + \text{var}(\varepsilon_t) + \text{var}(\theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}) + \dots + \text{var}(\theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}) \\ &= 0 + \sigma^2 + \theta_1^2 \sigma^2 + \dots + \theta_q^2 \sigma^2 \\ &= (1 + \sum_{i=1}^q \theta_i^2) \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(1) &= \text{cov}(y_t, y_{t-1}) \\ &= \text{cov}(\mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}, \\ &\quad \mu + \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_{q-1} \varepsilon_{t-q} + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q-1}) \\ &= \theta_1 \sigma^2 + \dots + \theta_{q-1} \theta_q \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(k) &= \text{cov}(y_t, y_{t-k}) \\ &= \text{cov}(\mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}, \\ &\quad \mu + \varepsilon_{t-k} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q-k}) \end{aligned}$$

If $|k| < q$, there are overlapping terms.

$$\text{So } \gamma(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |k| \geq q \\ \sum_{i=1}^{q-|k|} \theta_i \theta_{k+i} \sigma^2 & \text{if } |k| < q \end{cases}$$

2b) Let $q=1$.

$$p(k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k=0 \\ \frac{\theta_1}{1+\theta_1^2} & \text{if } |k|=1 \\ 0 & \text{if } |k|>1 \end{cases}$$

$$2c) p(1) = \frac{\theta_1}{1+\theta_1^2}$$

$$p(1)[1+\theta_1^2] = \theta_1$$

$$p(1)\theta_1^2 - \theta_1 + p(1) = 0$$

$$\theta_1 = 1 \pm \sqrt{\frac{1 - 4(p(1))^2}{2p(1)}}$$

In general there will be two possible values for θ_1 based on the quadratic formula, so θ_1 cannot be identified based on $p(k)$.

2d) If we know $\theta_1 \in [-1, 1]$, we can rule out one of the possible solutions to the quadratic formula in 2c b/c there will never be 2 solutions that both lie in the interval from $[-1, 1]$.

3a) We need μ and γ such that $E[y_1] = E[y_0]$
and $\text{Var}(y_1) = \text{Var}(y_0)$.

$$E[y_0] = E[\mu + \varepsilon_0 + v] = \mu$$

$$E[y_1] = E[\alpha_0 + y_0 \rho + u_1] = \alpha_0 + \mu \rho$$

$$\rightarrow \mu = \alpha_0 + \mu \rho$$

$$\rightarrow \mu = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \rho}$$

$$\text{Var}(y_0) = \text{Var}(\mu + \varepsilon_0 + v) = \sigma^2 + \gamma$$

$$\text{Var}(y_1) = \text{Var}(\alpha_0 + y_0 \rho + u_1)$$

$$= \text{Var}(\varepsilon_0 \rho + v \rho + \varepsilon_1 + \theta \varepsilon_0)$$

$$= (p + \theta)^2 \sigma^2 + \gamma \rho^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma^2 + \gamma = (p + \theta)^2 \sigma^2 + \gamma \rho^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\rightarrow \gamma = \frac{(p + \theta)^2 \sigma^2}{1 - \rho^2}$$

3b) A valid instrument must satisfy:

$$1) E[u_t | y_{t-2}] = 0$$

$$2) \text{Cov}(y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}) \neq 0$$

$$E[u_t | y_{t-2}] = E[\varepsilon_t + \theta \varepsilon_{t-1} | y_{t-2}]$$

$$= E[\varepsilon_t + \theta \varepsilon_{t-1} | v, \varepsilon_0, \dots, \varepsilon_{t-2}]$$

$$= 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(Y_{t-1}, Y_{t-2}) &= \text{Cov}(\alpha_0 + Y_{t-2}\rho + \varepsilon_{t-1} + \theta\varepsilon_{t-2}, Y_{t-2}) \\
 &= \text{Cov}(\alpha_0, Y_{t-2}) + \text{Cov}(Y_{t-2}\rho, Y_{t-2}) \\
 &\quad + \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_{t-1}, Y_{t-2}) + \text{Cov}(\theta\varepsilon_{t-2}, Y_{t-2}) \\
 &= \rho \text{var}(Y_{t-2}) + \theta\sigma^2
 \end{aligned}$$

By covariance stationarity of Y ,
 $\text{var}(Y_{t-2}) = \text{var}(Y_0) = \sigma^2 + \gamma$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So, } \text{cov}(Y_{t-1}, Y_{t-2}) &= \rho(\sigma^2 + \gamma) + \theta\sigma^2 \\
 &= \rho\left(\sigma^2 + \frac{(p+\theta)^2\sigma^2}{1-p^2}\right) + \theta\sigma^2 \\
 &= \sigma^2(p+\theta) + \rho\frac{(p+\theta)^2\sigma^2}{1-p^2} \\
 &= \sigma^2(p+\theta)\left(1 + \frac{p(p+\theta)}{1-p^2}\right) \\
 &= \sigma^2(p+\theta)\left(\frac{1+p\theta}{1-p^2}\right) \\
 &\neq 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad p+\theta \neq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$