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$$\epsilon_t = \rho \epsilon_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$= \rho(\rho \epsilon_{t-2} + a_{t-1}) + a_t$$

$$= \rho^2 \epsilon_{t-2} + \rho a_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$= \rho^2(\rho \epsilon_{t-3} + a_{t-2}) + \rho a_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$= \rho^3 \epsilon_{t-3} + \rho^2 a_{t-2} + \rho a_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$= \rho^4 \epsilon_{t-4} + \rho^3 a_{t-3} + \rho^2 a_{t-2} + \rho a_{t-1} + a_t$$

⋮

$$= \rho^N \epsilon_{t-N} + \rho^{N-1} a_{t-(N-1)} + \dots + \rho a_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$= \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} \rho^u a_{t-u} + \rho^N \epsilon_{t-N}$$

Now, as $N \rightarrow \infty$, $\rho^N \rightarrow 0$ as $-1 < \rho < 1$.

So,

$$\epsilon_t = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \rho^u a_{t-u}$$

$$* E(\epsilon_t) = 0$$

$$E(\epsilon_t) = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \rho^u E(a_{t-u})$$

$$= 0 \quad [\because E(a_{t-u}) = 0]$$

$$* \text{Var}(\epsilon_t) = \sigma_a^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-\rho^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Var}(\epsilon_t) = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \rho^{2u} \text{Var}(a_{t-u})$$

$$= \sigma_a^2 \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \rho^{2u}$$

$$= \sigma_a^2 [1 + \rho^2 + \rho^4 + \rho^6 + \dots]$$

$$= \sigma_a^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-\rho^2} \right)$$

$$* \text{Cov}(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_{t+u}) = \rho^u \text{Var}(\epsilon_t)$$

$$\text{Cov}(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_{t+1}) = E(\epsilon_t \epsilon_{t+1}) - E(\epsilon_t) E(\epsilon_{t+1})$$

$$= E[\epsilon_t (\rho \epsilon_t + a_{t+1})]$$

$$= E(\rho \epsilon_t^2 + \epsilon_t a_{t+1})$$

$$= E(\rho \epsilon_t^2) + a_{t+1} E(\epsilon_t)$$

$$= \rho E(\epsilon_t^2) = \rho \text{Var}(\epsilon_t)$$

..... Contd.

$$\begin{aligned}\cancel{\text{Cov}(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_{t+2})} &= \cancel{\text{Cov}(\epsilon_t (p\epsilon_{t+1} + a_{t+2}))} \\ &= \cancel{\text{Cov}(p\epsilon_t \epsilon_{t+1} + a_{t+2} \epsilon_t)} \\ &= \cancel{\text{Cov}(p\epsilon_t (p\epsilon_t + a_{t+1}) + a_{t+2} \epsilon_t)} \\ &= \cancel{C}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Cov}(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_{t+2}) = E(\epsilon_t \epsilon_{t+2})$$

$$\text{Now, } \epsilon_t \epsilon_{t+2} = \epsilon_t (p\epsilon_{t+1} + a_{t+2})$$

$$= p\epsilon_t (p\epsilon_t + a_{t+1}) + \epsilon_t a_{t+2}$$

$$= p^2 \epsilon_t^2 + p\epsilon_t a_{t+1} + \epsilon_t a_{t+2}$$

$$E(\epsilon_t \epsilon_{t+2}) = p^2 E(\epsilon_t^2) \quad [\because E(\epsilon_t) = 0]$$

$$= p^2 \text{Var}(\epsilon_t)$$

Similarly,

$$\text{Cov}(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_{t+u}) = p^u \text{Var}(\epsilon_t)$$

Durbin-Watson Statistic (Page 59) :

$$d = \frac{\sum_{t=2}^n (e_t - e_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^n e_t^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sum e_t^2 + \sum e_{t-1}^2 - 2 \sum e_t e_{t-1}}{\sum e_t^2}$$

$$= 1 + 1 - 2 \frac{\sum e_t e_{t-1}}{\sum e_t^2} \quad \text{< for large } n >$$

$$= 2 - 2 \frac{\text{Cov}(e_t, e_{t-1})}{\text{Var}(e_t)}$$

$$= 2 - 2 \frac{\rho \text{Var}(e_{t-1})}{\text{Var}(e_t)}$$

$$= 2 - 2\rho$$

$$= 2(1 - \rho)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \text{Cov}(e_t, e_{t-1}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum [e_t - E(e_t)] \times [e_{t-1} - E(e_{t-1})] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum e_t e_{t-1} \\ \bullet \text{Var}(e_t) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum [e_t - E(e_t)]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum e_t^2 \end{aligned}$$

So, under H_0 $d \approx 2$,
otherwise $d < 2$