Econometrics II - Problem 6

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Part 2: Unit roots

As has been discussed during the lecture, when the population model is a random walk:

$$Y_t = 1 * Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon \sim wn(0, \sigma^2),$$

it happens that the series is not ergodic (nor is it stationary). Therefore, the usual asymptotic properties do not hold, as all innovations have permanent effects.

$$Y_t = c + \delta t + \sum_{i=1}^{t} \varepsilon_i$$

The random walk, defined above, is an example of the more general class of unit root processes:

$$Y_t = c + \delta t + u_t$$

 u_t has an ARMA(p,q) representation:

$$\Phi_p(L)u_t = \Theta_q(L)\varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon \sim wn(0, \sigma^2)$$

Suppose that one of the roots of $\Theta_p(L)$ is equal to 1:

$$\Theta_p(L) = (1 - [1]L)(1 - \lambda_2 L)...(1 - \lambda_n L)$$

$$(1-L)u_t = (1-\lambda_2 L)^{-1}...(1-\lambda_p L)^{-1}\Theta_q(L)\varepsilon_t =: \Psi(L)\varepsilon_t$$

We can now rewrite this as:

$$(1-L)Y_t = (1-L)c + (1-L)\delta t + (1-L)u_t$$

$$(1-L)Y_t = \delta + \Psi(L)\varepsilon_t$$

Defining ΔY_t , we have:

$$\Delta Y_t := (1 - L)Y_t = Y_t - Y_{t-1} = \delta + \Psi(L)\varepsilon_t$$

With this concept, we can define ARIMA(p,d,q) processes:

$$\Phi_p(L)(1-L)^d Y_t = c + \Theta_q(L)\varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim wn(0,\sigma^2)$$

Hypothesis testing

It turns out that testing for unit root presence presents some challenges. Under the null $(a_1 = 1)$, its distribution is not standard and does not present the usual asymptotic properties. We can circumvent this issue with the use of numeric methods, such as the *Monte Carlo simulation*. It will now be employed, following Dickey and Fuller (1979).

First, some notation:

We begin with a simple model:

$$Y_t = a_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

$$\Delta Y_t = \gamma y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \gamma := a_1 - 1$$

Dickey and Fuller constructed the following regression equations:

$$\Delta y_t = \gamma y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \tag{1}$$

$$\Delta y_t = a_0 + \gamma y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \tag{2}$$

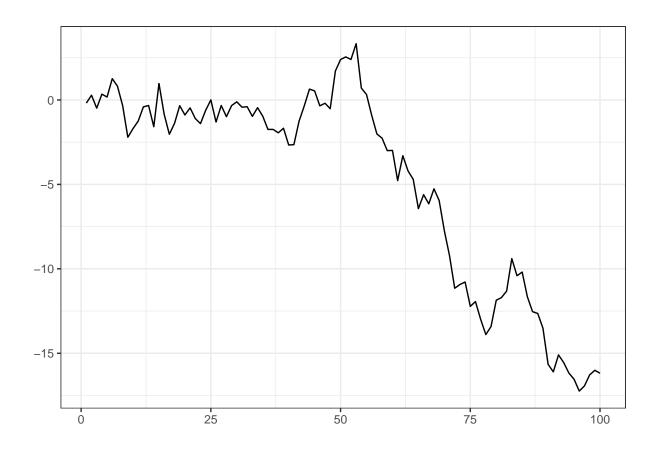
$$\Delta y_t = a_0 + \gamma y_{t-1} + a_2 t + \varepsilon_t \tag{3}$$

(1) has no intercept and represents a simple random walk. (2) includes an intercept. (3) also adds a deterministic time trend.

Note that the critical values of the t-statistics are *different* between these regressions. This will now be shown with our Monte Carlo simulation.

For equation (1):

```
set.seed(76345)
# length of ts
T <- 100
# Loops
S <- 10000
e <- rnorm(T, 0, 1)
# As y_{t+1} = y_t + \varepsilon_t, we can write this as an MA(\infty) model. y_t = \sum \varepsilon_i.
y <- cumsum(e)
y <- vector()
y[i] = e[i]
for (i in (2:T)) {
    y[i] <- y[(i-1)] + e[i]
}
y <- as.ts(y)
autoplot(y) + theme_bw()</pre>
```



```
y_diff <- diff(y)
# Regression of I(1) model
reg <- dynlm(y_diff ~ 0 + L(y,1)) # no lag (x1 = 0)
reg <-summary(reg)
reg$coefficients[1,3] # t value
## [1] 1.110447
# Loop
tau <- vector()
for (i in 1:S) {
    e <- rnorm(T,0,1)
    y <- cumsum(e)
    y <- as.ts(y)
    y_diff <- diff(y)
    reg <- summary(dynlm(y_diff ~ 0 + L(y, 1)))</pre>
```

Taking the first difference

```
tau[i] <- reg$coefficients[1,3]</pre>
}
tau.df <- data.frame(tau)</pre>
ggplot(data = tau.df, aes(x = tau)) + geom_density(color = "blue") + stat_function(fun = dnorm, n = 101
    0.4
    0.3
density 0.2
    0.1
    0.0
                             -2
                                                                        2
                                                   Ö
                                                  tau
jarque.bera.test(tau) # We reject HO at the 1% significance level.
##
    Jarque Bera Test
##
##
## data: tau
## X-squared = 101.33, df = 2, p-value < 2.2e-16
tau.ci <- quantile(tau, c(0.01, 0.05, 0.1))</pre>
tau.ci
## -2.591810 -1.959085 -1.634022
For equation (2) – with an intercept:
```

Loop

tau_mu <- vector()</pre>

```
for (i in 1:S) {
  e <- rnorm(T,0,1)</pre>
  y <- cumsum(e)
  y <- as.ts(y)</pre>
  y_diff <- diff(y)</pre>
  reg <- summary(dynlm(y_diff ~ 1 + L(y, 1)))</pre>
  tau_mu[i] <- reg$coefficients[2,3]</pre>
}
tau_mu.df <- data.frame(tau_mu)</pre>
ggplot(data = tau_mu.df, aes(x = tau_mu)) + geom_density(color = "blue") + stat_function(fun = dnorm, n
    0.5
    0.4
```

0.3

0.2

0.1

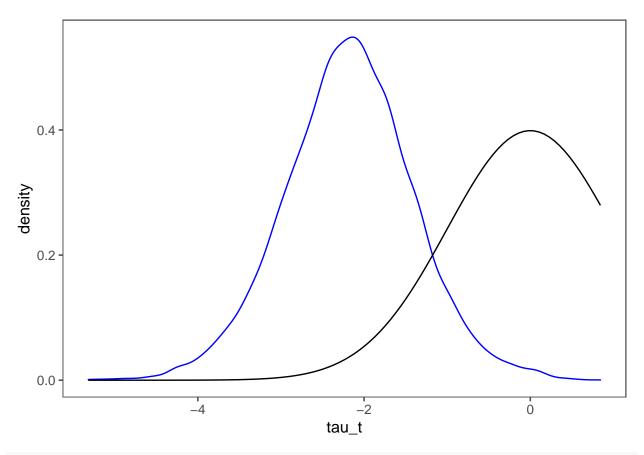
0.0

tau_mu

jarque.bera.test(tau_mu) # We reject HO at the 1% significance level.

```
##
## Jarque Bera Test
##
## data: tau_mu
## X-squared = 96.894, df = 2, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

```
tau_mu.ci <- quantile(tau_mu, c(0.01, 0.05, 0.1))</pre>
tau_mu.ci
##
           1%
                      5%
                                10%
## -3.494281 -2.895757 -2.577903
And finally, for equation (3) – with an intercept and a deterministic time trend:
# Loop
tau_t <- vector()</pre>
time <- c(1:T)
for (i in 1:S) {
  e <- rnorm(T,0,1)</pre>
  y <- cumsum(e)
  y <- as.ts(y)</pre>
  y_diff <- diff(y)</pre>
  reg <- summary(dynlm(y_diff ~ 1 + L(y, 1) + time[-1])) # removed 1 dimension for no. of obs.
  tau_t[i] <- reg$coefficients[2,3]</pre>
}
tau_t.df <- data.frame(tau_t)</pre>
ggplot(data = tau_t.df, aes(x = tau_t)) + geom_density(color = "blue") + stat_function(fun = dnorm, n =
```



jarque.bera.test(tau_t) # We reject HO at the 1% significance level.

```
##
## Jarque Bera Test
##
## data: tau_t
## X-squared = 58.223, df = 2, p-value = 2.275e-13
tau_t.ci <- quantile(tau_t, c(0.01, 0.05, 0.1))
tau_t.ci</pre>
```

```
## 1% 5% 10%
## -4.065067 -3.462447 -3.158227
```

Let's now change the distributions of the errors for equation (3):

```
# Loop

tau_t_pois <- vector()
time <- c(1:T)

for (i in 1:S) {

    e <- rpois(T,1)
    y <- cumsum(e)
    y <- as.ts(y)</pre>
```

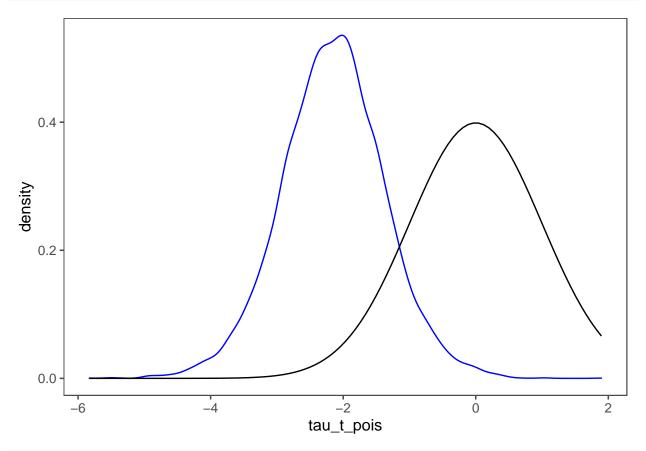
```
y_diff <- diff(y)

reg <- summary(dynlm(y_diff ~ 1 + L(y, 1) + time[-1])) # removed 1 dimension for no. of obs.

tau_t_pois[i] <- reg$coefficients[2,3]
}

tau_t_pois.df <- data.frame(tau_t_pois)

ggplot(data = tau_t_pois.df, aes(x = tau_t_pois)) + geom_density(color = "blue") + stat_function(fun = color = color
```



jarque.bera.test(tau_t_pois) # We reject HO at the 1% significance level.

```
##
## Jarque Bera Test
##
## data: tau_t_pois
## X-squared = 120.61, df = 2, p-value < 2.2e-16
tau_t_pois.ci <- quantile(tau_t_pois, c(0.01, 0.05, 0.1))
tau_t_pois.ci
## 1% 5% 10%
## -4.085753 -3.436365 -3.127525</pre>
```

Part 3: Applying the Dickey-Fuller test for GDP

Loading the data from the previous problem:

```
pib <- get_sidra(6612, variable = 9318, category = 90707, period = "all")</pre>
## Considering all categories once 'classific' was set to 'all' (default)
pib_limpo <- pib[(pib$`Setores e subsetores (Código)` == 90707),]</pre>
pib <- pib_limpo</pre>
pib_limpo2 \leftarrow pib[,c(5,13)]
pib <- pib_limpo2</pre>
names(pib)[1] <- "t"</pre>
names(pib)[2] <- "v"</pre>
pib$t <- as.numeric(pib$t)</pre>
names(pib)
## [1] "t" "v"
head(pib)
##
             t
## 18 199601 170920.0
## 40 199602 176708.8
## 62 199603 189844.3
## 84 199604 184112.9
## 106 199701 176732.2
## 128 199702 185109.5
tail(pib)
##
## 2042 201901 292647.6
## 2064 201902 297748.9
## 2086 201903 305150.9
## 2108 201904 302108.7
## 2130 202001 291912.5
## 2152 202002 263699.7
pib <- ts(pib$v)</pre>
# Choosing the correct model with auto.arima
aa_pib <- auto.arima(pib, stepwise = F)</pre>
summary(aa_pib)
## Series: pib
## ARIMA(2,1,2) with drift
## Coefficients:
##
                        ar2
                                        ma2
                                                 drift
             ar1
                                ma1
```

```
-0.0092 -0.9764 0.2721 0.956 864.9855
## s.e.
          0.0233
                   0.0171 0.0455 0.117 537.6284
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 23455415: log likelihood=-961.03
## AIC=1934.06
                 AICc=1934.99
                               BIC=1949.51
##
## Training set error measures:
##
                            RMSE
                                      MAE
                                                 MPE
                                                          MAPE
                                                                    MASE
                                                                               ACF1
## Training set 64.56963 4692.48 3219.806 0.05416274 1.322955 0.5203698 0.01746157
auto.arima yields an ARIMA(2,1,2) model with a drift parameter:
```

$$\Delta y_t = a_0 + a_1 \Delta y_{t-1} + a_2 \Delta y_{t-2} + a_3 \varepsilon_{t-1} + a_4 \varepsilon_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

Let's decompose this process. First, we'll perform the Dickey-Fuller test on the GDP ts.

```
adf.test(pib)
```

```
## Warning in adf.test(pib): p-value greater than printed p-value
##
## Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test
##
## data: pib
## Dickey-Fuller = 0.12028, Lag order = 4, p-value = 0.99
## alternative hypothesis: stationary
```

As we have not been able to reject H_0 , it follows that the ts includes (at least one) unit root. Now, let's find the optimal model for the regression.

```
max_p <- 5
max_q <- 5
max_d <- 2
models1 <- vector("list", (max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1))
models2 <- vector("list", (max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1))
# Updating the model
fit1 <- vector("list", (max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1))
fit2 <- vector("list", (max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1))
model_info1 <- data.frame(matrix(NA, nrow = ((max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1)), ncol = 3))
# Updating the model
for (u in 0:max_q) {
for (j in 0:max_p) {</pre>
```

```
fit1[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]] \leftarrow Arima(pib, order = c(j,1,u))
model_info1[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1), 1:2] < c(fit1[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]] aic, fit1[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]
}
}
names(model_info1) <- c("AIC", "BIC", "void")</pre>
which.min(model_info1$AIC)
## [1] 23
which.min(model_info1$BIC)
## [1] 15
fit1[[which.min(model info1$AIC)]]
## Series: pib
## ARIMA(3,1,4)
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                                        ma3
             ar1
                      ar2
                               ar3
                                       ma1
                                               ma2
                                                                ma4
         -0.9688 -0.9834 -0.9685 1.4659 1.3755 1.2705 0.5008
##
## s.e. 0.0305
                  0.0210
                           0.0270 0.1344 0.1682 0.1821 0.1484
## sigma^2 estimated as 21987482: log likelihood=-956.26
## AIC=1928.53
               AICc=1930.17
                                BIC=1949.13
fit1[[which.min(model_info1$BIC)]]
## Series: pib
## ARIMA(2,1,2)
##
## Coefficients:
##
                      ar2
                              ma1
             ar1
##
         -0.0084 -0.9757 0.2769 0.9673
## s.e. 0.0236
                  0.0175 0.0408 0.1130
## sigma^2 estimated as 23692560: log likelihood=-962.3
## AIC=1934.6
               AICc=1935.26
                              BIC=1947.47
# For I(2)
model_info2 \leftarrow data.frame(matrix(NA, nrow = max_d*((max_p + 1) * (max_q + 1)), ncol = 3))
for (u in 0:max_q) {
for (j in 0:max_p) {
```

```
fit2[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]] \leftarrow Arima(pib, order = c(j,2,u))
model_info2[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1), 1:2] < c(fit2[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]]aic, fit2[[(((max_p+1)*j)+u + 1)]
}
}
names(model info2) <- c("AIC", "BIC", "void")</pre>
which.min(model_info2$AIC)
## [1] 24
which.min(model_info2$BIC)
## [1] 16
fit2[[which.min(model_info2$AIC)]]
## Series: pib
## ARIMA(3,2,5)
##
## Coefficients:
##
            ar1
                     ar2
                              ar3
                                     ma1
                                             ma2
                                                      ma3
                                                              ma4
                                                                       ma5
##
        -0.9700 -0.9835 -0.9674 0.4748 0.0162 -0.0121 -0.6534 -0.3766
## s.e.
       0.0315
                 0.1508
                                                           0.1090
                                                                    0.1793
## sigma^2 estimated as 22148502: log likelihood=-946.73
## AIC=1911.47
                AICc=1913.56
                             BIC=1934.55
fit2[[which.min(model_info2$BIC)]]
## Series: pib
## ARIMA(2,2,3)
## Coefficients:
##
                             ma1
                                     ma2
                                              ma3
            ar1
                     ar2
        -0.0054 -0.9795 -0.6754 0.6720 -0.7903
##
## s.e.
       0.0248
                 0.0162
                         0.1121 0.0786
                                           0.1482
## sigma^2 estimated as 23858414: log likelihood=-951.82
## AIC=1915.63 AICc=1916.58 BIC=1931.02
```