

Autocorrelation

$$y_t = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_t + u_t, \text{ cov}(u_i, u_j) \neq 0, i \neq j$$

→ Gauss-Markov is ruined.

1-st order autocorr.

$$u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

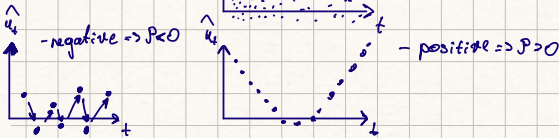
$-1 < \rho < 1$

2-nd order autocorr.

$$u_t = \rho_1 u_{t-1} + \rho_2 u_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

* How to test?

1. Graphs



⇒ Estimators are not efficient!

2) Durbin-Watson test.

$$e_t = \hat{\varepsilon}_t$$

excl. const!

$$d = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - e_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2} \sim \text{DW distribution}(n, k)$$

$\rho = 1 \Rightarrow e_t = 1 \cdot e_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow e_t \sim e_{t-1} \Rightarrow e_t - e_{t-1} \approx 0 \Rightarrow d \approx 0$

$\rho = -1 \Rightarrow e_t = -1 \cdot e_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow e_t \sim -e_{t-1} \Rightarrow e_t - e_{t-1} \approx 2e_t \Rightarrow d = \frac{\sum e_t^2}{\sum e_t^2} \approx 4$

$\rho = 0 \Rightarrow d = \frac{\sum (e_t - e_{t-1})^2}{\sum e_t^2} = \frac{\sum e_t^2 - 2 \sum e_t e_{t-1} + \sum e_{t-1}^2}{\sum e_t^2} = \frac{\sum e_t^2 + \sum e_{t-1}^2 - 2 \sum e_t e_{t-1}}{\sum e_t^2} \approx 2$

Graphs for $\rho > 0$, $\rho = 0$, and $\rho < 0$ showing the distribution of d values.

$$d = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - e_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2 - 2 \sum_{t=1}^T e_t e_{t-1} + \sum_{t=1}^T e_{t-1}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2} \approx 2(1 - \hat{\rho})$$

Limitations:

1. Only 1-st order autocorr.
2. There should be a constant!
3. No lags of y_{t-1} in regression.

5) Asymptotic test (A-Durbin). T is large: $T \rightarrow \infty$

$$\hat{\rho} = \hat{\rho} \sqrt{T} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\hat{\rho} = (1 - 0.5d) \cdot \sqrt{T}$$

$H_0: \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0, i \neq j$
 $H_1: \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) \neq 0, i \neq j$

1. 1 lag variable y_{t-1} !
2. Maybe without const
3. Only 1-st order.

4) Breusch-Godfrey Test.

1. Original model.

2. $e_t = \lambda_0 + \rho e_{t-1} \rightarrow R^2 \Rightarrow BG = R^2(T-1) \sim \chi^2(1)$

How to repair?

* St. errors in Newey-West form

Pras-Winsten

* Cochrane-Orcutt Method

order of autocorr.

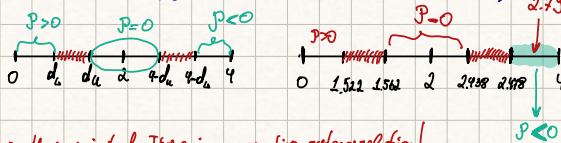
Problem 1

RSS = 120, $\sum_{t=1}^{100} e_t e_{t-1} = -50$, $\sum_{t=1}^{100} e_t^2 = 116$, $\sum_{t=1}^{100} e_{t-1}^2 = 119$

$$d = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - e_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{100} e_t^2 - 2 \sum_{t=1}^{100} e_t e_{t-1} + \sum_{t=1}^{100} e_{t-1}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^{100} e_t^2} = \frac{116 - 2(-50) + 119}{116} = 2.79$$

* $\sum_{t=2}^{100} e_{t-1}^2 = e_1^2 + e_2^2 + \dots + e_{99}^2$
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 the same! $\Rightarrow \sum_{t=2}^{100} e_{t-1}^2 = \sum_{t=1}^{99} e_t^2 = 116$

$d = 2.79 \sim \text{DW}(n=100, k=1)$



⇒ H_0 is rejected. There is a negative autocorrelation!

$d = 2(1 - \hat{\rho}) \Rightarrow 1 - \hat{\rho} = \frac{d}{2} \Rightarrow \hat{\rho} = 1 - \frac{d}{2} = 1 - \frac{2.79}{2} = -0.395$

Problem 2

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta_1 x_t + \varepsilon_t \rightarrow \hat{\varepsilon}_t$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\varepsilon}_t = \lambda_0 + \rho_1 \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-1} + \rho_2 \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-2} + u_t \rightarrow R^2$

$\Rightarrow BG = R^2(T-1) \sim \chi^2(2)$ $R^2 = 0.8$

$\Rightarrow BG = 0.8(101-1) = 80 > \chi^2_{0.05}(2)$
 ⇒ H_0 is rejected
 ⇒ Autocorrelation!