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Lecture 13: Cointegration, estimation and  
testing: Part 2  
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## Introduction I

For the vector  $\mathbf{y}_t$  consisting of  $n \times 1$  variables, we have the Gaussian VAR( $p$ ):

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \Phi(L)\mathbf{y}_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad (1)$$

We assume that if there are unit-roots in the associated characteristic equation, they are located at the zero frequency. By using the transformed equation

$$\Delta\mathbf{y}_t = \Phi^*(L)\Delta\mathbf{y}_{t-1} + \Pi\mathbf{y}_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad (2)$$

We write the levels coefficient matrix  $\Pi$  as the product of two matrices  $\alpha_{n \times r}$  and  $\beta'_{r \times n}$  where  $r \equiv \text{rank}(\Pi)$  :

$$\Pi = \alpha\beta' \quad (3)$$

## Introduction II

We are interested in both the cointegrating case

$$0 < \text{rank}(\mathbf{\Pi}) < n$$

and the case with no cointegration

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{\Pi}) = 0$$

- ▶ Since  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{\Pi})$  is given by the number of non-zero eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{\Pi}$ , one approach to testing is to find the number of eigenvalues of  $\hat{\mathbf{\Pi}}$  that are significantly different from zero.
- ▶ Fortunately, this problem has a solution because the eigenvalues has an interpretation as a special kind of squared correlation coefficients.

## Introduction III

- ▶ This method has become known as the Johansen approach. It is “likelihood based”, see Johansen (1995) and the underlying assumption is a VAR with normal, or Gaussian, disturbances.
- ▶ Hamilton presentation of this approach is in Ch 20
- ▶ Davidson and MacKinnon in Ch 14.6, Bårdsen and Nymoen (2014, Ch. 11)
- ▶ The Johansen approach is covered in other textbooks as well, Juselius (2006) is perhaps the most comprehensive and accessible.

## Concentrated likelihood functions I

We first consider the  $n$  dimensional VAR(1):

$$\Delta \mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{\Pi} \mathbf{y}_{t-1} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T. \quad (4)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t \sim \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Omega}) \quad (5)$$

The conditional log-likelihood function is

$$L(\mathbf{\Pi}, \mathbf{\Omega}) = -\frac{Tn}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{T}{2} \ln |\mathbf{\Omega}| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t' \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t. \quad (6)$$

which we write without any explicit notation for the conditioning on  $\mathbf{y}_0$ , i.e., as in Hamilton Ch. 11.1

## Concentrated likelihood functions II

The ML-estimator for  $\Omega$  is the usual one, namely:

$$\hat{\Omega} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\varepsilon}_t \hat{\varepsilon}_t' \quad (7)$$

where  $\hat{\varepsilon}_t$  is the vector of OLS residuals

Given (7) we proceed to use the concentrated likelihood-function

$$L^c(\mathbf{n}) = -\frac{T}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\varepsilon}_t \hat{\varepsilon}_t' \right|. \quad (8)$$

## Concentrated likelihood functions III

where we have dropped a constant, and maximize this function “under the restriction” that  $\mathbf{\Pi} = \boldsymbol{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\beta}'$ , which gives

$$L^c(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = -\frac{T}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T [(\Delta \mathbf{y}_{t-1} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{y}_{t-1})(\Delta \mathbf{y}_t - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{y}_{t-1})'] \right| \quad (9)$$

The expression inside the determinant can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \Delta \mathbf{y}_t \Delta \mathbf{y}_t'}_{\mathbf{S}_{00}} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\beta}' \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{y}_{t-1} \mathbf{y}_{t-1}'}_{\mathbf{S}_{11}} \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\alpha}' - \\ & - \boldsymbol{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\beta}' \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{y}_{t-1} \Delta \mathbf{y}_{t-1}'}_{\mathbf{S}_{10}} - \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \Delta \mathbf{y}_{t-1} \mathbf{y}_{t-1}' \boldsymbol{\beta}\boldsymbol{\alpha}' \underbrace{\quad}_{\mathbf{S}_{01}} \end{aligned}$$

## Concentrated likelihood functions IV

$$L^c(\alpha, \beta) = -\frac{T}{2} \ln |\mathbf{S}_{00} - \alpha\beta' \mathbf{S}_{11} - \alpha\beta' \mathbf{S}_{10} - \mathbf{S}_{01}\beta\alpha'|$$

If we first consider  $\beta$  as given, we obtain  $\alpha(\beta)$  from

$$\frac{\partial L^c(\alpha, \beta)}{\partial \alpha} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\alpha(\beta) = \mathbf{S}_{01}\beta(\beta' \mathbf{S}_{11}\beta)^{-1} \quad (10)$$

Insertion in  $L^c$  gives a new concentrated likelihood:

$$L^{cc}(\beta) = -\frac{T}{2} \ln \left| \mathbf{S}_{00} - \mathbf{S}_{01}\beta(\beta' \mathbf{S}_{11}\beta)^{-1}\beta' \mathbf{S}_{10} \right|$$

If we define

$$\Theta(\beta) = \left| \mathbf{S}_{00} - \mathbf{S}_{01}\beta(\beta' \mathbf{S}_{11}\beta)^{-1}\beta' \mathbf{S}_{10} \right| \quad (11)$$

we now want to find the  $\beta$  that minimizes the function  $\Lambda(\beta)$ .



## A trick, and a result from multivariate analysis I

The determinant of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix can be written as

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc = \begin{cases} d(a - bd^{-1}c) \\ a(d - ba^{-1}c) \end{cases}$$

The same holds for partitioned matrices.

With suitable definitions of  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  we can formulate a determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{S}_{00} & \mathbf{S}_{01}\boldsymbol{\beta} \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{10} & \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{11}\boldsymbol{\beta} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{cases} \Theta(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \cdot |\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{11}\boldsymbol{\beta}| \\ |\mathbf{S}_{00}| |\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{11}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{f}'\mathbf{S}_{01}\boldsymbol{\beta}| \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

We have a case of  $c = b'$ , meaning that

$$\mathbf{S}_{01}\boldsymbol{\beta}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{10} = \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

## A trick, and a result from multivariate analysis II

and the two ways of writing the determinant in (12) give

$$\frac{\Theta(\beta)}{|\mathbf{S}_{00}|} = \left| \beta' \mathbf{S}_{11} \beta \right|^{-1} \left| \beta' \mathbf{S}_{11} \beta - \beta' \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01} \beta \right| \quad (13)$$

Since  $\mathbf{S}_{00}$  does not depend on  $\beta$ , minimizing  $\Theta(\beta)$  is equivalent to minimize:

$$\frac{\left| \beta' \mathbf{S}_{11} \beta - \beta' \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01} \beta \right|}{\left| \beta' \mathbf{S}_{11} \beta \right|} \quad (14)$$

This problem has a standard solution in multivariate analysis, Anderson (1951):

## A trick, and a result from multivariate analysis III

The columns of  $\beta$  are estimated by the eigenvectors corresponding to the  $r$  largest solutions of the generalized eigenvalue problem:

$$\rho \mathbf{S}_{11} - \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01} = 0 \quad (15)$$

The idea is now to determine the  $r$  largest eigenvalues

$$\rho_1 \geq \rho_2 \geq \dots \rho_r \dots \geq \rho_n \geq 0.$$

The columns of  $\beta$  are found as the corresponding  $r$  eigenvectors.

The full set of eigenvectors is

$$[\rho_i \mathbf{S}_{11} - \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01}] \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{0}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (16)$$

Below, it is shown that the matrix  $\mathbf{V}$ , with the  $\mathbf{v}_i$  vectors as columns, satisfies the normalization

$$\mathbf{V}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}_{n \times n} \quad (17)$$

## A trick, and a result from multivariate analysis IV

by virtue of being so called *canonical variates*.

We finally define a selection matrix  $\mathbf{P}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{r \times r} & \mathbf{0}' \end{bmatrix}$ . This gives

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{P} \quad (18)$$

and

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{I}_{r \times r} \quad (19)$$

while the ML estimator of  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$  is obtained by substitution in (10). In the light of (19), this gives simply

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} = \mathbf{S}_{01} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}. \quad (20)$$

## Identification of the cointegration space

- ▶ It is common to say that the  $r$  vectors  $\hat{\beta}$  given by (18) *span the (cointegrating) space* containing the true  $\beta$  asymptotically.
- ▶ In that *special* sense they are consistent estimates of  $\beta$ . In view of (19):

$$\hat{\beta}' \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{y}_{t-1} \mathbf{y}'_{t-1} \hat{\beta} = \mathbf{I}_{r \times r}$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{y}_{t-1} \mathbf{y}'_{t-1} \hat{\beta} = \mathbf{I}_{r \times r}$$

meaning that the  $I(0)$  disequilibrium terms have unit variance and are orthogonal.

- ▶ However this is an arbitrary normalization
- ▶ As we learned in a previous lecture, the cointegration *vectors* are unidentified in general (if  $r = 1$ , up to a constant)

## Canonical variates and correlations I

We have  $T$  observations of  $\Delta \mathbf{y}_t$  and  $\mathbf{y}_{t-1}$ . Collect in a  $2n \times T$  matrix  $\mathbf{X}$ :

$$\mathbf{X}_{2n \times T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_0 \\ \mathbf{X}_1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (21)$$

Assume that we want to reduce the dimensionality of the problem by finding the two linear combinations of  $\Delta \mathbf{y}_t$  and  $\mathbf{y}_{t-1}$  that have the highest correlation. We define two new variables

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{X}_0 \quad (22)$$

and

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{X}_1 \quad (23)$$

## Canonical variates and correlations II

where  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $1 \times n$ . From the definitions of variance and covariance of linear combinations:

$$\text{Cov}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a}, \quad (24)$$

where the  $\mathbf{S}_{ij}$  matrices are defined above:

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{u}) = E(\mathbf{u}' \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{00} \mathbf{a} \quad (25)$$

and

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{z}) = E(\mathbf{z}' \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{b} \quad (26)$$

We *define* the first pair of canonical variates as the pair  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{z}}_1$  with variance equal to 1 and which maximizes  $\text{Corr}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z})$ .

## Canonical variates and correlations III

Formally, choose the  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  that maximize

$$L = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} - \lambda_1 (\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{00} \mathbf{a} - 1) - \lambda_2 (\mathbf{b}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{b} - 1). \quad (27)$$

loc:

$$\mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} - 2\lambda_1 \mathbf{S}_{00} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0} \quad (28)$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a} - 2\lambda_2 \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0} \quad (29)$$

Pre-multiply in (28) by  $\mathbf{a}'$ , and in (29) by  $\mathbf{b}'$ :

$$\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} = 2\lambda_1 \quad (30)$$

$$\mathbf{b}' \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a} = 2\lambda_2. \quad (31)$$



## Canonical variates and correlations IV

But note that

$$\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a} = \text{Corr}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z}) \equiv R \quad (32)$$

since the variances are 1. Hence we have

$$\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} = R = 2\lambda_1 = 2\lambda_2. \quad (33)$$

and (28) and (29) can be re-expressed as

$$\mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} = R \mathbf{S}_{00} \mathbf{a} \quad (34)$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a} = R \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{b}. \quad (35)$$

From (34):

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{R} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{b} \quad (36)$$

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substitution in (35) gives

$$[\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01} - R^2\mathbf{S}_{11}] \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (37)$$

Similarly:

$$\mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{R} \mathbf{S}_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{a} \quad (38)$$

and

$$[\mathbf{S}_{01}\mathbf{S}_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{10} - R^2\mathbf{S}_{00}] \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (39)$$

$R^2$  is found from

$$|\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01} - R^2\mathbf{S}_{11}| = |\mathbf{S}_{11}\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01} - R^2\mathbf{I}_{n \times n}| = 0 \quad (40)$$

meaning that  $R^2$  is the eigenvalue to the matrix  $\mathbf{S}_{11}\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01}$  (or  $\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01}\mathbf{S}_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{10}$ ).

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- ▶ The eigenvector  $\mathbf{b}$  is then determined from (37).
- ▶ The matrix  $\mathbf{S}_{11}\mathbf{S}_{10}\mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1}\mathbf{S}_{01}$  has  $n$  eigenvalues, but  $R = \mathbf{a}'\mathbf{S}_{01}\mathbf{b}$  is the number we wish to maximize, therefore the solution is to choose the largest eigenvalue,  $R_1^2$ , and the associated eigenvectors  $\mathbf{b}_1$  and  $\mathbf{a}_1$ .
- ▶ The two first canonical variates must therefore be

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{a}'_1\mathbf{X}_0 \quad (41)$$

$$\mathbf{z}_1 = \mathbf{b}'_1\mathbf{X}_1, \quad (42)$$

$$\text{Corr}(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{z}_1) \equiv R_1$$

- ▶  $R_1$  is called the (first) canonical *correlation coefficient*.
- ▶ The next  $n - 1$  pairs of canonical variates are defined in the same way as the first (unit variance in particular)

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- ▶ In addition it is required that all pairs are uncorrelated.
- ▶ The pairs are ordered by the size of the associated  $R_i^2$ .

## Canonical correlation and ML I

- ▶ The eigenvalue problem (40) is the same problem as the ML approach was leading to, compare (15).
- ▶ Hence, there are several important relationships between Johansen's method and canonical correlations and variates:

$$\rho_1 = \max_{a,b} \text{Corr}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z}) = R_1^2$$

$$\rho_i = R_i^2, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = [\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_r] = [\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_r, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n] \mathbf{P} \equiv \mathbf{VP}$$

## Canonical correlation and ML II

- ▶ Finally

$$\mathbf{V}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}_{n \times n} \text{ and } \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{I}_{r \times r}$$

see (17) and (19), hold by definition for canonical variates, variance equal to 1 and uncorrelated.

## Canonical correlation for open systems

- ▶ Canonical correlation analysis is not limited to cases with equal number of variables in the two groups  $\mathbf{X}_0$  and  $\mathbf{X}_1$ .
- ▶ If there are  $p$  variables in  $\mathbf{X}_0$  and  $q$  variables in  $\mathbf{X}_1$ , the maximum number of eigenvalues becomes  $\min\{p, q\}$ .
- ▶ Assume for example the we include non-modelled (“exogenous”)  $I(1)$  variables in the  $\mathbf{X}_1$  matrix, so that  $p < q$   
 $\implies$  maximum number of cointegrating vectors is  $p$
- ▶ And the rank of the relevant  $\mathbf{\Pi}$  matrix is full.

## Canonical correlations and single equation OLS I

- ▶ Canonical correlation coefficients are interpretable as generalizations of usual correlations coefficients
- ▶ Consider the case of  $p = 1$  and  $q > 1$ . Linear regression gives canonical variates  $\mathbf{X}_0$  and  $\mathbf{b}'\mathbf{X}_1$  and

$$\max_{\mathbf{b}} \text{Corr}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{b}'\mathbf{X}_1) = R$$

implies that

$$R^2 = \rho_1$$

From the formulae above, for  $p = 1$  and  $q > 1$

$$R = \frac{1}{s_0} \sqrt{\mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{S}_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{10}} \quad (43)$$

where  $s_0 = \mathbf{S}_{00}$ , is consistent for  $\sigma_0^2$ , the variance of  $\Delta y_t$ .  $\mathbf{S}_{01}$  is a  $1 \times q$  vector



## Canonical correlations and single equation OLS II

Assuming normality, the conditional variance of  $\Delta y_t$  given  $\mathbf{y}_{t-1}$  is

$$\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_0^2 - \mathbf{S}_{01} \mathbf{S}_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{10}$$

showing that  $R^2$  from (43) is an estimate of the relative unexplained variation:

$$\frac{\sigma_0^2 - \sigma_1^2}{\sigma_0^2} = R^2$$

$$\sigma_0^2 = \sigma_1^2 \iff R^2 = 0$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = 0 \iff R^2 = 1$$

## Canonical correlations and single equation OLS III

- ▶ When  $p = 1$ , both canonical correlation and the Johansen method are equivalent to usual regression analysis
- ▶ When  $p > 1$ ,  $R_1^2$  is larger than any R-squares from individual regressions.
- ▶ The interpretation is that more than one variable equilibrium corrects,
- ▶ This information is not used when we do single equation regression, which is therefore inefficient when weak exogeneity does not hold for the variables in the cointegrating vector.

## Testing the hypotheses about reduced rank I

From (13), and neglecting additive constants, the maximized likelihood is

$$L^* = -\frac{T}{2} \ln \left| \hat{\beta}' (\mathbf{S}_{11} - \mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01}) \hat{\beta} \right| \quad (44)$$

From

$$\hat{\beta}' \mathbf{S}_{11} \hat{\beta} = \mathbf{I}_{r \times r}$$

and

$$\hat{\beta} (\mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01}) \hat{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_{rxr}$$

## Testing the hypotheses about reduced rank II

where  $\boldsymbol{\rho}_{r \times r}$  is the diagonal matrix with the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{S}_{10} \mathbf{S}_{00}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{01}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L^* &= -\frac{T}{2} \ln |\mathbf{I}_{r \times r} - \boldsymbol{\rho}_{r \times r}| \\ &= -\frac{T}{2} \sum_{i=1}^r \ln(1 - \rho_i). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

When  $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$  is estimated freely, we have

$$L^{**} = -\frac{T}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(1 - \rho_i) \quad (46)$$

## Testing the hypotheses about reduced rank III

The Likelihood-ratio test of the hypothesis that there are at most  $r$  cointegrating vectors  $0 \leq r < n$ , and  $n - r$  unit-roots:

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_r &= 2\{L^*(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) - L^*(\mathbf{V})\} \\ &= -T \sum_{i=r+1}^n \ln(1 - \rho_i), \quad r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\end{aligned}\tag{47}$$

is called the *trace-test*. It's distribution is tabulated in Hamilton Table B.10, "Case 1".

- ▶ The testing is sequential;  $\eta_0, \eta_1, \dots, \eta_{n-1}$ .
- ▶ Not that if the largest squared correlation coefficient  $\rho_0$  is small, the whole sequence  $\eta_0, \eta_1, \dots, \eta_{n-1}$  will be small values as a result of low multivariate correlation between the  $I(0)$  variables in  $\Delta \mathbf{y}_t$  and the  $I(1)$  variables in  $\mathbf{y}_{t-1}$ .

## Testing the hypotheses about reduced rank IV

- ▶ The number of cointegrating vector is  $r + 1$  if the last significant test is  $\eta_r$  (the  $H_0$  of  $n - r$  unit-roots is rejected).
- ▶ Since  $\mathbf{y}_t$  is a multivariate  $I(1)$  process for the whole sequence of  $H_0$  s,
- ▶ Therefore  $\eta_r$  will be a function of Brownian motions (and not a Chi-square).
- ▶ An alternative test hypothesis formulation is  $H_0: r = r^*$ , against  $H_1: r = r^* + 1$  This leads to the *maximal-eigenvalue* test:

$$\zeta_r = -T \ln(1 - \rho_{r+1}), \quad r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1. \quad (48)$$

## Testing the hypotheses about reduced rank $V$

- ▶ The *trace-test* has become most common in applied modelling.
- ▶ An interesting special case is:  $H_0: r = r^* = n - 1$  against  $H_1: r = r^* = n$ .
- ▶ This becomes in effect a test of  $I(1)$ , with a single common trend under  $H_0$ .
- ▶ In this case the two tests coincide, and it has the asymptotic distribution of the square of the Dickey-Fuller  $t$ -statistic.

## VAR(p)

- ▶ In the usual way, a VAR(p) can be written in terms of differences and lagged levels.
- ▶ With reference to FLW theorem: regress out the effect of the  $p - 1$  differenced variables from  $\Delta y_t$  and  $\mathbf{y}_{t-1}$  and proceed to analyse these OLS residuals
- ▶ Can be interpreted as yet another “layer” of likelihood concentration.
- ▶ Based on the residuals the derivation of the ML-estimators is as above.
- ▶ Note the similarity to the ADF test



## Deterministic terms I

- ▶ Lecture 11/12: It matters a great deal whether the constant is restricted to be in the cointegrating space or not
- ▶ It also affects the distributions of the tests
- ▶  $\mu$  free in DGP *and* in the model: Table B.10 Case 3.

$\mu$  in the model but  $\mu = \alpha\mu_0$  in DGP: Table B.10, Case 2.

$\mu = \alpha\mu_0$  in the model *and* in DGP: Not tabulated in Hamilton.

- ▶ Restricted linear trends seem relevant for economic data, again the distributions for the tests are affected, the book by Juselius is a good reference but MacKinnon, Haug and Michelis even more comprehensive (and with programs).
- ▶ For those who use OxMetrics, the tutorial in Ch 4 in the manual: Pc-Give II (Modelling Dynamic Systems), see Doornik and Hendry (2013) is an excellent starting point.

## Similarity in rank testing

- ▶ Since the distributions are different for different forms of deterministic non-stationarity, there is a premium on the test procedure that gives similarity
- ▶ The advise for data with visible drift in levels:
  - ▶ include an deterministic trend as *restricted* together with an unrestricted constant.
  - ▶ After rank determination, can test significance of the restricted trend with standard inference
- ▶ Shift in levels
  - ▶ Include restricted step dummy and a free impulse dummy.
- ▶ Exogenous variables, see table and program by MacKinnon, Haug and Michelis (1999), and Doornik (1998,2003).

## $I(0)$ variables in the VAR I

- ▶ A misunderstanding that sometimes occurs is that “there can be no stationary variables in the cointegrating relationships”.
- ▶ Consider for example:

$$-y_{1t} + \beta_{12}y_{2t} + \beta_{13}y_{3t} + \beta_{14}y_{4t} = ecm_{1t} \quad (49)$$

$$\beta_{21}y_{1t} - y_{2t} + \beta_{23}y_{3t} + \beta_{24}y_{4t} = ecm_{2t} \quad (50)$$

- ▶ If  $y_1$  is the log of real-wages,  $y_2$  productivity,  $y_3$  relative import prices, and  $y_4$  the rate of unemployment, then the first relationship may be a bargaining based wage equation (which can be identified by restrictions on the system).
- ▶ Since  $y_{4t}$  is the rate of unemployment we may assume  $y_{4t} \sim I(0)$ . but we want to estimate and test the theory  $\beta_{14} = 0$ .

## I(0) variables in the VAR II

- ▶ It is therefore appealing to specify the VAR with  $y_{4t}$  included in the cointegration space (*Restricted* in the cointegration analysis in PcGive Multivariate modelling, see Doornik and Hendry (2013)).

## From $I(1)$ to $I(0)$

- ▶ When the rank has been determined, we are back in the stationary-case.
- ▶ The distribution of the identified cointegration coefficients are “mixed normal” so that conventional asymptotic inference can be performed on this  $\beta$ .
- ▶ The determination of rank allows us to move from the  $I(1)$  VAR, to the cointegrated VAR that contains only  $I(0)$  variables
- ▶ Another name for this  $I(0)$  model is the vector equilibrium correction model, VECM.
- ▶ The VECM can usually be analysed further, using the tools of the stationary model (simultaneous equations, recursive models, etc).

## From $I(1)$ to $I(0)$ II

- ▶ In sum, co-integration analysis is an important step in dynamic system modelling, but only one step.

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