

Consider the relationship between the likelihood function above and the innovation form.

Remember the innovation form:

$$\begin{aligned}\log L(\phi_1, \sigma^2; y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) = & -\frac{n}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log(1 - \phi_1^2) \\ & - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left((\sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1)^2 + \sum_{t=2}^n (y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1})^2 \right)\end{aligned}$$

Focus on the last term:

$$\begin{aligned}& (\sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1)^2 + \sum_{t=2}^n (y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1})^2 \\ &= \left(\sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1, \quad y_2 - \phi_1 y_1, \quad y_3 - \phi_1 y_2, \quad \dots, \quad y_n - \phi_1 y_{n-1} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1 \\ y_2 - \phi_1 y_1 \\ y_3 - \phi_1 y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \phi_1 y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1 \\ y_2 - \phi_1 y_1 \\ y_3 - \phi_1 y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \phi_1 y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\phi_1 & 1 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & -\phi_1 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & -\phi_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = Ay$$

Therefore,

$$(\sqrt{1 - \phi_1^2} y_1)^2 + \sum_{t=2}^n (y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1})^2 = (Ay)' Ay = y' A' Ay$$

Comparing the exponential parts, the following equality holds.

$$-\frac{1}{2} y' \Omega^{-1} y = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} y' A' Ay \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \Omega^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} A' A$$

Remember that there exists P such that $\Omega = PP'$ when Ω is a symmetric and positive definite matrix.

In the AR(1) case, $P = \sigma A^{-1}$.

9.5 MLE: Regression Model with AR(1) Error

When the error term is autocorrelated, the regression model is written as:

$$y_t = x_t\beta + u_t, \quad u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim \text{iid } N(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2).$$

The joint distribution of u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1 is:

$$\begin{aligned} f_u(u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1; \rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2) &= f_u(u_1; \rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2) \prod_{t=2}^n f_u(u_t | u_{t-1}, \dots, u_1; \rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2) \\ &= (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2/(1-\rho^2))^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2/(1-\rho^2)} u_1^2\right) \\ &\quad \times (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-(n-1)/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \sum_{t=2}^n (u_t - \rho u_{t-1})^2\right). \end{aligned}$$

By transformation of variables from u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1 to y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1 , the joint distribution of y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1 is:

$$\begin{aligned}
& f_y(y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1; \rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \beta) \\
&= f_u(y_n - x_n\beta, y_{n-1} - x_{n-1}\beta, \dots, y_1 - x_1\beta; \rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} \right| \\
&= (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2/(1-\rho^2))^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2/(1-\rho^2)}(y_1 - x_1\beta)^2\right) \\
&\quad \times (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-(n-1)/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \sum_{t=2}^n \left((y_t - \rho y_{t-1}) - (x_t - \rho x_{t-1})\beta\right)^2\right) \\
&= (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-1/2} (1-\rho^2)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} (\sqrt{1-\rho^2}y_1 - \sqrt{1-\rho^2}x_1\beta)^2\right) \\
&\quad \times (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-(n-1)/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \sum_{t=2}^n \left((y_t - \rho y_{t-1}) - (x_t - \rho x_{t-1})\beta\right)^2\right) \\
&= (2\pi\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-n/2} (1-\rho^2)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} (y_1^* - x_1^*\beta)^2\right) \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \sum_{t=2}^n (y_t^* - x_t^*\beta)^2\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (2\pi)^{-n/2}(\sigma_\epsilon^2)^{-n/2}(1-\rho^2)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \sum_{t=1}^n (y_t^* - x_t^*\beta)^2\right) \\
&= L(\rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \beta; y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1),
\end{aligned}$$

where y_t^* and x_t^* are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
y_t^* &= \begin{cases} \sqrt{1-\rho^2}y_t, & \text{for } t = 1, \\ y_t - \rho y_{t-1}, & \text{for } t = 2, 3, \dots, n, \end{cases} \\
x_t^* &= \begin{cases} \sqrt{1-\rho^2}x_t, & \text{for } t = 1, \\ x_t - \rho x_{t-1}, & \text{for } t = 2, 3, \dots, n, \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

© For maximization, the first derivative of $L(\rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \beta; y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1)$ with respect to β should be zero.

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\beta} &= \left(\sum_{t=1}^T x_t^{*'} x_t^* \right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{t=1}^T x_t^{*'} y_t^* \right) \\ &= (X^{*'} X^*)^{-1} X^{*'} y^*\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow This is equivalent to OLS from the regression model: $y^* = X^* \beta + \epsilon$ and $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$, where $\sigma^2 = \sigma_\epsilon^2 / (1 - \rho^2)$.

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$$\tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n (y_t^* - x_t^* \beta)^2 = \frac{1}{n} (y^* - X^* \beta)' (y^* - X^* \beta),$$

where

$$y^* = \begin{pmatrix} y_1^* \\ y_2^* \\ \vdots \\ y_n^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} y_1 \\ y_2 - \rho y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \rho y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad X^* = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^* \\ x_2^* \\ \vdots \\ x_n^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} x_1 \\ x_2 - \rho x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - \rho x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

© For maximization, the first derivative of $L(\rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \beta; y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1)$ with respect to ρ should be zero.

$$\max_{\beta, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \rho} L(\rho, \sigma_\epsilon^2, \beta; y) \text{ is equivalent to } \max_{\rho} L(\rho, \tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2, \tilde{\beta}; y).$$

Note that both $\tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2$ and $\tilde{\beta}$ depend only on ρ .

$L(\rho, \tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2, \tilde{\beta}; y)$ is called the **concentrated log-likelihood function** (集約対数尤度関数), which is a function of ρ .

The log-likelihood function is written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\log L(\rho, \tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2, \tilde{\beta}; y) &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2) + \frac{1}{2} \log(1 - \rho^2) - \frac{n}{2} \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} - \frac{n}{2} \log(\tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2(\rho)) + \frac{1}{2} \log(1 - \rho^2)\end{aligned}$$

For maximization of $\log L$, use Newton-Raphson method, method of scoring or simple grid search

Note that $\tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 = \tilde{\sigma}_\epsilon^2(\rho) = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \tilde{\beta})'(\mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^* \tilde{\beta})$ for $\tilde{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{X}^*)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{*'} \mathbf{y}^*$.

Remark: The regression model with AR(1) error is:

$$y_t = x_t\beta + u_t, \quad u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim \text{iid } N(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2).$$

$$V(u) = \sigma^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho & \rho^2 & \dots & \rho^{n-1} \\ \rho & 1 & \rho & \rho^2 & \dots & \rho^{n-2} \\ \rho^2 & \rho & 1 & \rho & \dots & \rho^{n-3} \\ \rho^3 & \rho^2 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \rho \\ \rho^{n-1} & \rho^{n-2} & \dots & \rho^2 & \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \sigma^2 \Omega, \quad \text{where } \sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma_\epsilon^2}{1 - \rho^2}.$$

where $\text{Cov}(u_i, u_j) = E(u_i u_j) = \sigma^2 \rho^{|i-j|}$, i.e., the i th row and j th column of Ω is $\rho^{|i-j|}$.

The regression model with AR(1) error is: $y = X\beta + u, \quad u \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \Omega).$

There exists P which satisfies that $\Omega = PP'$, because Ω is a positive definite matrix.

Multiply P^{-1} on both sides from the left.

$$\begin{aligned} P^{-1}y &= P^{-1}X\beta + P^{-1}u &\implies & y^* = X^*\beta + u^* \text{ and } u^* \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n) \\ & &\implies & \text{Apply OLS.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
y^* = \begin{pmatrix} y_1^* \\ y_2^* \\ \vdots \\ y_n^* \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\rho^2}y_1 \\ y_2 - \rho y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \rho y_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\rho^2} & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\rho & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -\rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = P^{-1}y \\
X^* = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^* \\ x_2^* \\ \vdots \\ x_n^* \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\rho^2}x_1 \\ x_2 - \rho x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - \rho x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = P^{-1}X \quad \implies \quad \text{Check } P^{-1}\Omega P^{-1'} = aI_n, \\
&\quad \text{where } a \text{ is constant.}
\end{aligned}$$

9.6 MLE: Regression Model with Heteroscedastic Errors

In the case where the error term depends on the other exogenous variables, the regression model is written as follows:

$$y_i = x_i\beta + u_i, \quad u_i \sim \text{id } N(0, \sigma_i^2), \quad \sigma_i^2 = (z_i\alpha)^2.$$

The joint distribution of u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1 , denoted by $f_u(\cdot; \cdot)$, is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \log f_u(u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1; \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log f_u(u_i; \sigma_i^2) \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\sigma_i^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{u_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(z_i\alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{u_i}{z_i\alpha} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

By the transformation of variables from u_n, u_{n-1}, \dots, u_1 to y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1 , the log-

likelihood function is:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha, \beta; y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1) &= \log f_y(y_n, y_{n-1}, \dots, y_1; \alpha, \beta) \\ &= \log f_u(y_n - x_n \beta, y_{n-1} - x_{n-1} \beta, \dots, y_1 - x_1 \beta; \sigma_i^2) \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y'} \right| \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(z_i \alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{y_i - x_i \beta}{z_i \alpha} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Maximize the above log-likelihood function with respect to β and α .

10 Asymptotic Theory

1. Definition: Convergence in Distribution (分布収束)

A series of random variables $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$ have distribution functions F_1, F_2, \dots , respectively.

If

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n = F,$$

then we say that a series of random variables X_1, X_2, \dots converges to F in distribution.

2. Consistency (一致性):

(a) Definition: Convergence in Probability (確率収束)

Let $\{Z_n : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ be a series of random variables.

If the following holds,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|Z_n - \theta| < \epsilon) = 1,$$

for any positive ϵ , then we say that Z_n converges to θ in probability.

θ is called a **probability limit** (確率極限) of Z_n .

$$\text{plim } Z_n = \theta.$$

(b) Let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be an estimator of parameter θ .

If $\hat{\theta}_n$ converges to θ in probability, we say that $\hat{\theta}_n$ is a consistent estimator of θ .

3. **Markov's Inequality:** A General Case of **Chebyshev's Inequality:**

For $g(X) \geq 0$,

$$P(g(X) \geq k) \leq \frac{E(g(X))}{k},$$

where k is a positive constant. See *Introduction Mathematical Statistics* (8th ed.), p.79 for the proof.

4. **Example:** For a random variable X , set $g(X) = (X - \mu)'(X - \mu)$, $E(X) = \mu$ and $V(X) = \Sigma$.

Then, we have the following inequality:

$$P((X - \mu)'(X - \mu) \geq k) \leq \frac{\text{tr}(\Sigma)}{k}.$$

Note as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} E((X - \mu)'(X - \mu)) &= E(\text{tr}((X - \mu)'(X - \mu))) = E(\text{tr}((X - \mu)(X - \mu)')) \\ &= \text{tr}(E((X - \mu)(X - \mu)')) = \text{tr}(\Sigma). \end{aligned}$$

5. Example 1 (Univariate Case):

Suppose that $X_i \sim (\mu, \sigma^2)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Then, the sample average \bar{X} is a consistent estimator of μ .

Proof:

Note that $g(\bar{X}) = (\bar{X} - \mu)^2$, $\epsilon^2 = k$, $E(g(\bar{X})) = V(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$.

Use Chebyshev's inequality.

If $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{for any } \epsilon.$$

That is. for any ϵ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\bar{X} - \mu| < \epsilon) = 1.$$

\Rightarrow **Chebyshev's inequality**

6. Example 2 (Multivariate Case):

Suppose that $X_i \sim (\mu, \Sigma)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Then, the sample average \bar{X} is a consistent estimator of μ .

Proof:

Note that $g(\bar{X}) = (\bar{X} - \mu)'(\bar{X} - \mu)$, $\epsilon^2 = k$, $E(g(\bar{X})) = \text{tr}(V(\bar{X})) = \text{tr}\left(\frac{1}{n}\Sigma\right)$.

Use Chebyshev's inequality.

If $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$P((\bar{X} - \mu)'(\bar{X} - \mu) \geq k) = P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{\text{tr}(\Sigma)}{n\epsilon^2} \rightarrow 0, \text{ for any positive } \epsilon.$$

That is, for any positive ϵ , $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P((\bar{X} - \mu)'(\bar{X} - \mu) < k) = 1$.

Note that $|\bar{X} - \mu| = \sqrt{(\bar{X} - \mu)'(\bar{X} - \mu)}$, which is the distance between X and μ .

\Rightarrow **Chebyshev's inequality**

7. Some Formulas:

Let X_n and Y_n be the random variables which satisfy $\text{plim } X_n = c$ and $\text{plim } Y_n = d$. Then,

(a) $\text{plim } (X_n + Y_n) = c + d$

(b) $\text{plim } X_n Y_n = cd$

(c) $\text{plim } X_n / Y_n = c/d$ for $d \neq 0$

(d) $\text{plim } g(X_n) = g(c)$ for a function $g(\cdot)$

8. Some Formulas II:

Let X_n and Y_n be the random variables which satisfy $X_n \longrightarrow c$ (convergence in probability) and $Y_n \longrightarrow Y$ (convergence in distribution). Then,

$$X_n Y_n \longrightarrow cY$$

- (a) cY is distributed with mean $cE(Y)$ and variance $c^2V(Y)$.
- (b) In the multivariate case, cY is distributed with mean $cE(Y)$ and variance $cV(Y)c'$, where c , Y , $E(Y)$ and $V(Y)$ are $m \times k$, $k \times 1$, $k \times 1$ and $k \times k$ vectors or matrices.

9. Central Limit Theorem (中心極限定理)

Univariate Case: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independently and identically distributed as mean μ and variance σ^2 .

Define $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Then,

$$\frac{\bar{X} - E(\bar{X})}{\sqrt{V(\bar{X})}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \longrightarrow N(0, 1),$$

which implies

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu) \longrightarrow N(0, \sigma^2).$$

Multivariate Case: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independently and identically distributed as mean μ and variance Σ .

Define $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

Then,

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \longrightarrow N(0, \Sigma),$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu) \longrightarrow N(0, \Sigma)$$

10. Central Limit Theorem (Generalization)

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independently distributed as mean μ and variance Σ_i .

$$\text{Define } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

Then,

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \longrightarrow N(0, \Sigma),$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu) \longrightarrow N(0, \Sigma),$$

where

$$\Sigma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Sigma_i \right).$$

11. **Definition:** Let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be a consistent estimator of θ .

Suppose that $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta)$ converges to $N(0, \Sigma)$ in distribution.

Then, we say that $\hat{\theta}_n$ has an **asymptotic distribution** (漸近分布): $N(\theta, \Sigma/n)$.

10.1 MLE: Asymptotic Properties

1. X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are random variables with density function $f(x; \theta)$.

Let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be a maximum likelihood estimator of θ .

Then, under some **regularity conditions**, $\hat{\theta}_n$ is a consistent estimator of θ and the asymptotic distribution of $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta)$ is given by:

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \longrightarrow N\left(0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{I(\theta)}{n}\right)^{-1}\right)$$

2. Regularity Conditions:

- (a) The domain of X_i does not depend on θ .
- (b) There exists at least third-order derivative of $f(x; \theta)$ with respect to θ , and their derivatives are finite.

3. Thus, MLE is

- (i) consistent,
- (ii) asymptotically normal, and
- (iii) asymptotically efficient.

Proof: The log-likelihood function is given by:

$$\log L(\theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i; \theta)$$