### Financial Time Series

# Topic 5: Determination of the order of integration of ARIMA models

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#### ARIMA Models

Should we try a model other than ARMA? General Wisdom:

- Consider a set of observation  $\{x_t, t = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .
- Suppose the data satisfies the following two characteristics:
  - It exhibits no apparent deviations from stationarity.
  - It has a rapidly decreasing autocorrelation function.

Then seek a suitable ARMA process to represent the mean-corrected data.

- Otherwise, first look for a transformation of the data which generates a new series with the above properties.
- A common transformation is **differencing**. It leads to the class of ARIMA processes.
  - The nonstationarity is mainly caused by the fact that there is no fixed level for price series.

- Such a nonstationary series is called unitroot time series.
  - The best known example of unit-root time series is the random walk model.
- Question: How do we estimate the parameters of ARMA processes?
  - AR processes: The Yule-Walker Equation
  - MA processes: Use  $\rho_k$  and  $Var(X_t)$ . We cannot get all consistent estimates of  $\rho_k$ .

Consider  $X_t = a_t + \theta a_{t-1}$ .

Then

$$Var(X_t) = \sigma_a^2 + \theta^2 \sigma_a^2$$
$$Cov(X_t, X_{t-1}) = \theta^2 \sigma_a^2.$$

-ARMA(p,q) processes: Express it as an MA process and use the first p+q  $\rho_k$ .

# Motivated Example:

- Contrast between I(0) and I(1).
- $x_t \sim I(0)$  and assume that it has a zero mean.
  - The innovation  $a_t$  has only a temporary effect on the value of  $X_t$ .
  - The variance of  $X_t$  is finite and does not depend on t.
  - The expected length of times between crossings of x = 0 is finite.
  - The autocorrelation,  $\rho_k$ , decrease steadily in magnitude for large enough k, so that their sum is finite.
- $x_t \sim I(1)$  with  $x_0 = 0$ .
  - The innovation  $a_t$  has a permanent effect on the value of  $x_t$  because

$$x_t = x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{t} a_{t-i}$$
.

- The variance of  $X_t$  goes to infinity as t goes to infinity.

$$Var(X_t) = Var\left(\sum_{i=0}^{t} a_{t-i}\right).$$

- The expected time between crossings of x = 0 is infinite.
- The autocorrelation,  $\rho_k \to 1$  for all k as t goes to infinity.
- A time series is non-stationary is often selfevident from a plot of the series.
- Examination of the SACFs might be helpful to determine the actual form of non-stationarity.

# ACF of AR(p)

• A stationary AR(p) process requires that all roots with  $|g_i| < 1$ .

$$\phi(B)X_t = a_t$$
  
 $\phi(B) = (1 - g_1B)(1 - g_2B) \cdots (1 - g_pB).$ 

• ACF:

$$\rho_k = A_1 g_1^k + A_2 g_2^k + \dots + A_p g_p^k.$$

- Random walk:  $x_t = x_{t-1} + a_t$
- Random walk with drift:  $x_t = x_{t-1} + \theta_0 + a_t$ 
  - $-\theta_0$ : the time-trend of the log price  $x_t$ . It is often referred to as the *drift* of the model.
  - If we graph  $x_t$  against time index t, we have a time-trend with slope  $\theta_0$ .
- Integrated processes:  $\triangle x_t = \theta_0 + a_t$
- Suppose that one of  $g_1, \ldots, g_p$  approaches 1.
  - $-g_1 = 1 \delta$ ,  $\delta$ : a small number
  - $-\rho_k \cong A_1 g_1^k$  since all other terms will go to zero more rapidly.

- Note that

$$A_1 g_1^k = A_1 (1 - \delta)^k \cong A_1 (1 - \delta k).$$

Failure of the SACF to die down quickly is an indication of non-stationarity.

# • Possible strategy:

- Suppose the original series  $x_t$  is found to be non-stationary, the first difference  $\Delta x_t$  is then analysed.
- If  $\triangle x_t$  is still non-stationary, the next difference  $\triangle^2 x_t$  is then analysed.
- Repeat this procedure until a stationary difference is found.

### Detection of Over-differencing:

- Consider the stationary MA(1) process  $x_t = (1 \theta B)a_t$ .
- First difference:

$$\Delta x_t = (1 - B)(1 - \theta B)a_t$$
  
=  $(1 - \theta_1 B - \theta_2 B^2)a_t$ ,

where 
$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 = (1 + \theta) - \theta = 1$$
.

• Non-invertible:  $AR(\infty)$  representation does not exist.

Estimation will be difficult.

• Variance:

$$V(X_t) = (1 + \theta^2)\sigma^2$$
  
$$V(\Delta X_t) = 2(1 + \theta + \theta^2)\sigma^2.$$

- The variance of the overdifferenced process will be larger than that of the original process.
- The sample variance will decrease until a stationary sequence has been found, but will tend to increase on overdifferencing.

#### Testing for a Unit Root

• Consider the zero mean AR(1) process with normal innovations

$$x_t = \phi x_{t-1} + a_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T$$
 (1)  
where  $a_t \sim NID(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $x_0 = 0$ .

• Suppose the process started at time t = 0 and  $\phi > 1$ . By (1),

$$x_{t} = x_{0}\phi^{t} + \sum_{i=1}^{t} \phi^{i} a_{t-i}.$$

$$V(X_{t}) = \sigma^{2} \frac{\phi^{2(t+1)} - 1}{\phi^{2} - 1}$$

$$E(X_{t}) = x_{0}\phi^{t} \frac{\phi^{2(t+1)} - 1}{\phi^{2} - 1}$$

• The OLS estimate of  $\phi$  is given by

$$\hat{\phi}_T = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1} x_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1}^2}$$

and

$$\hat{\phi}_T - \phi = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1} a_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1}^2}.$$

• When  $|\phi| < 1$ ,

$$\sqrt{T}(\hat{\phi}_T - \phi) \stackrel{a}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2 / EX_{t-1}^2)$$
.

• Note that

$$E(X_{t-1}^2) = E\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^i a_{t-i}\right)^2$$
$$= \sigma^2/(1-\phi^2).$$

Hence,  $\sqrt{T}(\hat{\phi}_T - \phi) \stackrel{a}{\sim} N(0, 1 - \phi^2)$ .

• When  $\phi = 1$ , the above result breaks down.

What is the right distribution of  $\hat{\phi}_T - \phi$  under suitable normalization when  $\phi = 1$ ?

Write

$$T(\hat{\phi}_T - \phi) = \frac{T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1} a_t}{T^{-2} \sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1}^2}.$$
 (2)

What is  $T^{-1} \Sigma_{t=1}^T x_{t-1} a_t$ ?

- When  $\phi = 1$ ,  $x_t = \sum_{s=1}^t a_s$  and hence  $x_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2 t)$ .
- Note that

$$x_{t-1}a_t = (x_t^2 - x_{t-1}^2 - a_t^2)/2$$

and

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1} a_t = \frac{x_T^2 - x_0^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} a_t^2.$$

• Recall that  $x_0 = 0$  and hence

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2 T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1} a_t = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_T}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} a_t^2.$$

- $x_T/(\sigma\sqrt{T})$  is N(0,1).
- $T^{-1} \Sigma_{t=1}^T a_t^2$  converges in probability to  $\sigma^2$ .
- Thus

$$T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1} a_t \stackrel{a}{\sim} (1/2) \sigma^2(X-1)$$

where  $X \sim \chi_1^2$ .

What is  $T^{-2} \Sigma_{t=1}^T x_{t-1}^2$ ?

• Why do we consider  $T^{-2}$  normalization?

$$E[\sum_{t=1}^{T} X_{t-1}^2] = \sigma^2 \sum_{t=1}^{T} (t-1) = \sigma^2 (T-1)T/2$$

and

$$E[T^{-2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} X_{t-1}^{2}] \to \sigma^{2}/2.$$

• Denote [rT] as the integer part of rT,  $0 \in [0,1]$ , and define the random step function  $R_T(r)$  as follows.

$$R_T(r) = x_{[rT]}(r)/\sigma\sqrt{T}.$$

- Properties of  $R_T(r)$ :
  - -[0,1] is divided into T+1 parts at  $r=0,T^{-1},\ldots,1$ .
  - $-R_T(r)$  is constant at values of r but with jumps at successive integers.
  - As  $T \to \infty$ ,  $R_T(r)$  weakly converges to standard Brownian motion (or the Wiener process), W(r), denoted

$$R_T(r) \Rightarrow W(r) \sim N(0, r).$$

• Standard Brownian Motion:
It starts at level zero and satisfies the conditions

$$-W(0) = 0,$$
  
 $-W(r_2)-W(r_1), W(r_3)-W(r_2), \cdots, W(r_n)-W(r_{n-1})$  are independent for every  $n \in \{3, 4, \ldots\}$  and every  $0 \le r_1 < \cdots < r_n,$   
 $-W(r) - W(s) \sim N(0, r - s)$  for  $r \ge s$ .

• Facts:

$$W^{2}(1) - 1 = 2 \int_{0}^{1} W(r) dW(r)$$

$$W(1) \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\sigma \cdot W(r) \sim N(0, \sigma^{2}r)$$

$$W^{2}(r)/r \sim \chi_{1}^{2}$$

$$f(R_{T}(r)) \Rightarrow f(W(r))$$

if  $f(\cdot)$  is a continuous functional on [0,1].

• Observe that

$$T^{-2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1}^{2} = \sigma^{2} T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left( \frac{x_{t-1}}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \right)^{2}$$

$$= \sigma^{2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} T^{-1} \left( R_{T}((t-1)/T) \right)^{2}$$

$$= \sigma^{2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \int_{(i-1)/T}^{i/T} R_{T}^{2}(r) dr$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma^2 \int_0^1 W^2(r) dr$$
.

• Note that

$$T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} X_{t-1} a_t \to \frac{\sigma^2}{2} (W^2(1) - 1).$$

• We conclude that

$$T(\hat{\phi}_T - 1) \Rightarrow \frac{[W^2(1) - 1]/2}{\int_0^1 W^2(r)dr}.$$
 (3)

Why does  $W^{2}(1) - 1 = 2 \int_{0}^{1} W(r) dW(r)$  hold?

- The sample path of W(r) is almost uniformly continuous.
- Almost every Brownian path is nowhere differentiable.
- Define  $\int_0^1 f(r)dW(r)$  as

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^1 f(r) \frac{W(r+\epsilon) - W(r)}{\epsilon} dr.$$

Here f is continuously differentiable. Note that

$$\begin{split} &\int_0^1 f(r) \frac{W(r+\epsilon) - W(r)}{\epsilon} dr \\ &= \int_0^1 f(r) \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_r^{r+\epsilon} W(s) ds \right) dr. \end{split}$$

Apply the integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_0^1 f(r) \frac{W(r+\epsilon) - W(r)}{\epsilon} dr \\ &\to \left[ f(r) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_r^{r+\epsilon} W(s) ds \right]_0^1 \\ &- \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_r^{r+\epsilon} W(s) ds \right) df(r) \\ &= f(1)W(1) - f(0)W(0) - \int_0^1 W(r) df(r). \end{split}$$

• W(r) is not differentiable. Suppose we just plug W to the above formular, we have

$$\int_0^1 W(r)dW(r) = \frac{1}{2}W^2(1).$$

How do we handle it?

Alternative test: the t-statistic Test  $\phi = 1$ .

• The *t*-statistic

$$t_{\phi} = \tau = \frac{\hat{\phi}_T - 1}{\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\phi}_T}} \tag{4}$$

where

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\phi}_T} = \left( s_T^2 / \sum_{t=1}^T x_{t-1}^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

and

$$s_T^2 = \sum_{t=1}^T (x_t - \hat{\phi}_T x_{t-1})/(T-1).$$

 $\bullet$  By (2) and (4), we have

$$\tau = \frac{T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1} a_t}{s_T (T^{-2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{t-1}^2)^{1/2}}.$$

- $s_T^2$  is a consistent estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .
- By the above argument, we have

$$\tau \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma^{2}(W^{2}(1) - 1)/2}{\sigma(\sigma^{2} \int_{0}^{1} W^{2}(r) dr)^{1/2}}$$
$$= \frac{\int_{0}^{1} W(r) dW(r)}{(\int_{0}^{1} W^{2}(r) dr)^{1/2}}.$$
 (5)

• Dickey-Fuller test

Use Monte Carlo simulation to find the limiting distribution of (3)

- Recall that  $x_t = \sum_{s=1}^t a_s$
- Simulate  $a_t$  by drawing t pseudo-random N(0,1) variates.
- Calculate

$$\frac{T \sum_{t=1}^{T} (\sum_{s=0}^{t-1} a_s) a_t}{\sum_{t=1}^{T} (\sum_{s=0}^{t-1} a_s)^2}.$$

- Repeat this calculation n times and compile the results into an empirical probability distribution.
- Refer to page 71 on discussions related to this topic.

Extensions to the Dickey-Fuller test

Extension 1:

Consider

$$x_t = \theta_0 + \phi x_{t-1} + a_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T,$$
 (6)

in which the mean may not be zero.

• Note that the unit root null is parametrized as  $\theta_0 = 0$  and  $\phi = 1$  in (6). The tests have to be modified as follows.

$$T(\hat{\phi}_T - 1) \Rightarrow \frac{[W^2(1) - 1]/2 - W(1) \cdot \int_0^1 W(r) dr}{\int_0^1 W^2(r) dr - \left(\int_0^1 W(r) dW(r)\right)^2},$$

$$\tau_{\mu} \Rightarrow \frac{[W^{2}(1) - 1]/2 - W(1) \cdot \int_{0}^{1} W(r) dr}{\left\{\int_{0}^{1} W^{2}(r) dr \left(\int_{0}^{1} W(r) dW(r)\right)^{2}\right\}^{1/2}}.$$

- Wald test:
  - restricted residual sum of squares:

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} (\Delta x_t)^2$$

- unrestricted residual sum of squares:

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} \hat{a}_t^2 = \sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_t - \hat{\theta}_0 - \hat{\phi}_T x_{t-1})^2$$

- Test statistic:

$$\Phi = \frac{\left(\sum_{t=1}^{T} (\Delta x_t)^2 - \sum_{t=1}^{T} \hat{a}_t^2\right)/2}{\sum_{t=1}^{T} \hat{a}_t^2/(T-2)}.$$

- The limiting distribution is tabulated in Dickey and Fuller (1981).
- The above distribution results are still valid as long as T is large and the innovations have finite variances.

#### Extension 2:

Consider the AR(p) process

$$(1 - \cdots - \phi_p B^p) x_t = \theta_0 + a_t$$

or

$$x_t = \theta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i x_{t-i} + a_t.$$
 (7)

Define

$$\phi = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \phi_i$$
 $\delta_i = -\sum_{j=i+1}^{p-1} \phi_j, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1.$ 

Rewrite (7) as

$$x_t = \theta_0 + \phi x_{t-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \delta_i \triangle x_{t-i} + a_t.$$
 (8)

The A(ugmented)DF test:

- The null of one unit root is  $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \phi_i = 1$ .
- The test

$$\tau_{\mu} = \frac{\hat{\phi}_T - 1}{se(\hat{\phi}_T)}$$

where  $se(\hat{\phi}_T)$  is the OLS standard error attached to the estimate  $\hat{\phi}_T$ .

- The above test has the same limiting distribution as
- $T(\hat{\phi}_T-1)$  and the Wald  $\Phi$  test have identical distributions to those obtained in the AR(1) case.
- Refer to page 74 for discussions related to ARMA(p,q) and p and q are unknown.

# Non-parametric Tests: remove white noise assumption

Consider the model

$$x_t = \theta_0 + \phi x_{t-1} + a_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T.$$
 (9)

Assumptions on  $\{a_t\}_1^{\infty}$ :

- $E(a_t) = 0$  for all t;
- $\sup_t E(|a_t|^{\beta}) < \infty$  for some  $\beta > 2$ ;
- $\sigma_S^2 = \lim_{T \to \infty} E(T^{-1}S_T^2)$  exists and is positive, where  $S_T = \sum_{t=1}^T a_t$ ;
- $a_t$  is strong mixing, with mixing numbers  $\alpha_m$  that satisfy  $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \alpha_m^{1-2/\beta} < \infty$ .

#### Remarks:

- The above assumptions will be referred later as Assumption I.
- Allow heterogeneity.
- The third one is to ensure non-degenerate limiting distributions.
- The mixing numbers  $\alpha_m$  measure the strength and extent of temporal dependence within the sequence  $a_t$ .

- The fourth one ensures that  $a_t$  is weakly dependent.
  - Dependence declines as the length of memory (m) increases.
- If  $a_t$  is stationary, then

$$\sigma_S^2 = E(a_1^2) + 2 \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} E(a_1 a_j).$$

• If  $a_t$  is the MA(1) process  $(a_t = \epsilon_t - \theta \epsilon_{t-1})$ , then

$$\sigma_S^2 = \sigma_\epsilon^2 (1 + \theta^2) - 2\sigma_\epsilon^2 \theta = \sigma_\epsilon^2 (1 - \theta)^2.$$

- If  $a_t$  is white noise,  $\sigma_S^2 = \sigma_\epsilon^2$ .
- Define

$$\sigma^2 = \lim_{T \to \infty} T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^T E(a_t^2).$$

How do we handle  $\sigma^2 \neq \sigma_S^2$ ?

Consider the following asymptotically valid test.

$$Z(\phi) = T(\hat{\phi}_T - 1) - \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{S\ell}^2 - \hat{\sigma}^2}{2} \cdot \left[ T^{-2} \sum_{t=2}^{T} (x_{t-1} - \bar{x}_{-1})^2 \right]^{-1}.$$

Here

$$\bullet \ \bar{x}_{-1} = (T-1)^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} x_t$$

•  $\hat{\sigma}_{S\ell}^2$  is

$$T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \hat{a}_t^2 + 2T^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \sum_{t=j+1}^{T} \hat{a}_t \hat{a}_{t-j}.$$

- The lag truncation parameter  $\ell$  can be set to be  $[T^{0.25}]$ .
- Let  $\hat{a}_t$  be the residual from estimating (9). Then

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \hat{a}_t^2.$$

Another asymptotically valid test:

$$Z(\tau_{\mu}) = \tau_{\mu}(\hat{\sigma}^{2}/\hat{\sigma}_{S\ell}^{2}) - \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{S\ell}^{2} - \hat{\sigma}^{2}}{2} \cdot T \left[ \hat{\sigma}_{S\ell}^{2} \sum_{t=2}^{T} (x_{t-1} - \bar{x}_{-1})^{2} \right]^{-1/2}.$$

Under the unit root null, the above two statistics have the same limiting distributions as  $T(\hat{\phi}_T - 1)$  and  $\tau_{\mu}$ , respectively.

#### More Than One Unit Root

- Sometimes, we need differencing twice to induce stationarity.
- The Dickey-Fuller type tests are based on the assumption of at most one unit root.

#### Proposed procedure:

• Test  $H_0$ : two unit roots against  $H_a$ : one unit root, consider

$$\triangle^2 x_t = \beta_0 + \beta_2 \triangle x_{t-1} + a_t.$$

- Compare the t-ratio on  $\beta_2$  from the above regression with the  $\tau_{\mu}$  critical values.
- If the null is rejected, we then test  $H_0$ : one unit root against  $H_a$ : no unit root. Consider

$$\Delta^2 x_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{t-1} + \beta_2 \Delta x_{t-1} + a_t.$$

• Compare the t-ratio on  $\beta_1$  from the above regression with the  $\tau_{\mu}$  critical values.

# Stochastic unit root processes (STUR)

• Random Coefficient AR(1) process

$$x_t = \phi_t x_{t-1} + a_t, \qquad (10)$$
  
$$\phi_t = 1 + \delta_t$$

where  $a_t$  and  $\delta_t$  are independent zero mean white-noise processes with variances  $\sigma_a^2$  and  $\sigma_\delta^2$ .

- Motivation for STUR:
  - $-x_t$ : the price of a financial asset.
  - Consider the expected return at time t

$$E(r_t) = \frac{E(x_t) - x_{t-1}}{x_{t-1}}.$$

For simplicity, dividend payments are ignored.

- $-E(x_t) = (1 + E(r_t))x_{t-1}.$
- Set  $a_t = x_t E(x_t)$  and  $\delta_t = r_t$ .
- The price levels have a stochastic unit root.
- Alternative formulation considered in Granger and Swanson (1997):

$$\phi_t = \exp(\alpha_t)$$

where  $\alpha_t$  is a zero mean stationary stochastic process.

#### Granger and Swanson's Model

Recall  $\phi_t = \exp(\alpha_t)$ .

•  $\phi_t = (x_t/x_{t-1})(1 - a_t/x_t)$ Observe that

$$\alpha_t = \Delta \log(x_t) + \log(1 - a_t/x_t)$$
  
 $\approx \Delta \log(x_t) - a_t/x_t.$ 

- $\log(x_t)$  has an exact unit root and  $x_t$  has a stochastic unit root.
- The daily levels of the London Stock Exchange FTSE 350 index over the period 1 January 1986 to 28 November 1994 is fitted by the following STUR(4) model

$$\Delta x_{t} = \beta + \phi_{1} \Delta x_{t-1} + \phi_{4} \Delta x_{t-4} + \delta_{t} [x_{t-1} - \beta(t-1) - \phi_{1} x_{t-2} + \phi_{4} x_{t-5}] + a_{t}$$

$$\delta_{t} = \delta_{t-1} + \eta_{t}.$$

# Trend stationarity versus difference stationarity

# Efficient Market Hypothesis:

- When prices follow a random walk (unit root) the only relevant information in the series of present and past prices, for trader, is the most recent price.
- In the above case, the people involved in the market have already made perfect use of the information in past prices.
- A market will be called perfectly efficient if the prices fully reflect available information, so that prices adjust fully and instantaneously when new information becomes available.

#### Unit root testing strategy:

- Null hypothesis: The series is generated as a driftless random walk with, possibly, a serially correlated error.
- The null hypothesis is called **difference** stationary in Nelson and Plosser (1982).

$$\Delta x_t = \epsilon_t, \tag{11}$$

where  $\epsilon_t = \theta(B)a_t$ .

- This null hypothesis is appropriate for financial time series such as interest rates and exchange rates.
- The alternative is that  $x_t$  is stationary in levels.

Another setting:

- Many financial time series contain a drift.
- The null hypothesis:

$$\Delta x_t = \theta + \epsilon_t. \tag{12}$$

• The alternative hypothesis:

$$x_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \epsilon_t. \tag{13}$$

 $x_t$  is generated by a linear trend buried in stationary noise.

It is **trend stationary** (TS).

Consider an AR type of model (t: additional regressor)

$$x_{t} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}t + \phi x_{t-1}$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{k} \delta_{i} \Delta x_{t-i} + a_{t}$$
(14)

and the statistic

$$au_{ au} = rac{\hat{\phi}_T - 1}{se\left(\hat{\phi}_T
ight)}.$$

Its limiting distribution is

$$\frac{[W^2(1)-1]/2-W(1)\int_0^1W(r)dr+A}{\left\{\int_0^1W^2(r)dr-(\int_0^1W(r)dr)^2+B\right\}^{1/2}}$$

where

$$A = 12 \left[ \int_0^1 rW(r)dr - (1/2) \int_0^1 W(r)dr \right] \times \left[ \int_0^1 W(r)dr - W(1)/2 \right]$$

and

$$\begin{split} B \; = \; 12 \left[ \int_0^1 W(r) dr \int_0^1 r W(r) dr - \left( \int_0^1 r W(r) dr \right)^2 \right] \\ - 3 \left( \int_0^1 W(r) dr \right)^2. \end{split}$$

Refer to page 81 for the non-parametric test statistic.

Question: If  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ ,  $x_t$  will contain a quadratic trend.

• Consider p = 1, (14) can be written as

$$x_{t} = \beta_{0} \sum_{j=1}^{t} \phi^{t-j} + \beta_{1} \sum_{j=1}^{t} j \phi^{t-j} + \sum_{j=1}^{t} a_{j} \phi^{t-j}.$$

• Under the null  $\phi = 1$ ,

$$x_t = \beta_0 t + \beta_1 t(t+1)/2 + S_t.$$

• Quadratic trend is unlikely because a nonzero  $\beta_1$  under the null would imply an everincreasing (or decreasing) rate of change  $\Delta x_t$ .

#### Trend Changes

We just consider whether the observed series  $\{x_t\}_0^T$  is a realization from a process characterized by the presence of a **unit root** and possibly a non-zero **drift**.

Perron's (1989) Suggestion:

One-Time Change in the structure at time  $T_B$ 

Idea: an exogenous change in the level of the series

How do we accommodate this change? We first consider segmented trends.

#### Model A:

• Example: Consider S&P stock index which goes through the Great Crash of 1929.  $T_B = 1929$ .

Refer to Figure 3.7 for further detail.

- $\bullet \ x_t = \mu + x_{t-1} + bDTB_t + e_t.$
- $DTB_t = 1$  if  $t = T_B + 1$  and 0 otherwise.
- $e_t$  satisfies Assumption I.
- Model A characterizes the **crash** by a dummy variable which takes the value one at the

time of the break.

After the crash, it resumes to the normal.

• Possible alternative: Consider

$$x_t = \mu_1 + \beta t + (\mu_2 - \mu_1)DU_t + e_t,$$
  
where  $DU_t = 1$  if  $t > T_B$  and 0 otherwise.

• The above alternative means that a onetime change in the intercept of the trend function.

The magnitude change is  $\mu_2 - \mu_1$ .

#### Model B:

- Figure 3.7 suggests the possibility of both a change in level and, thereafter, an increased trend rate of growth of the series.
- $x_t = \mu_1 + x_{t-1} + (\mu_2 \mu_1)DU_t + e_t$ .
- Model B (changing growth model) assumes that the drift parameter changes from  $\mu_1$  to  $\mu_2$  at time  $T_B$ .
- Possible alternative: Consider

$$x_t = \mu_1 + \beta_1 t + (\beta_2 - \beta_1) DT_t^* + e_t,$$
  
where  $DT_t^* = t - T_B$  if  $t > T_B$  and 0 otherwise.

• The above alternative means that a change in the slope of the trend function (of magnitude  $\beta_2 - \beta_1$ ), without any sudden change in the level.

#### Model C:

- Figure 3.7 suggests that a sudden change in the level followed by a different growth.
- $x_t = \mu_1 + x_{t-1} + \zeta DT B_t + (\mu_2 \mu_1) DU_t + e_t$ .
- Model C assumes that a sudden change followed by the drift parameter change from  $\mu_1$  to  $\mu_2$  at time  $T_B$ .
- Possible alternative: Consider  $x_t = \mu_1 + \beta_1 t + (\mu_2 \mu_1) DU_t + (\beta_2 \beta_1) DT_t^* + e_t.$
- The above alternative allows both effects to take place simultaneously.

  a sudden change in the level followed by a different growth path

#### Multiple Structure Break

Logistic smooth transition regression (LSTR): Allow the trend to change gradually and smoothly between two regimes.

• Three Models: Model A:

$$x_t = \mu_1 + \mu_2 S_t(\gamma, m) + e_t.$$

Model B:

$$x_t = \mu_1 + \beta_1 t + \mu_2 S_t(\gamma, m) + e_t.$$

Model C:

$$x_t = \mu_1 + \beta_1 t + \mu_2 S_t(\gamma, m) + \beta_2 t S_t(\gamma, m) + e_t.$$

• The logistic smooth transition function

$$S_t(\gamma, m) = (1 + \exp(-\gamma(t - mT)))^{-1}.$$

- m: the timing of the transition midpoint,  $S_{mT}(\gamma, m) = 0.5$ .
- $\gamma$ : the speed of transition For  $\gamma > 0$ ,

$$S_{-\infty}(\gamma, m) = 0, \quad S_{\infty}(\gamma, m) = 1.$$

- As  $\gamma \to \infty$ ,  $S_t(\gamma, m)$  changes from 0 to 1 instantaneously at time mT.
  - Model A:  $x_t$  is stationary around a mean which changes from  $\mu_1$  to  $\mu_1 + \mu_2$ .
  - Model B: The intercept changes from  $\mu_1$  to  $\mu_1 + \mu_2$  but allows for a fixed slope.
  - Model C: The intercept changes from  $\mu_1$  to  $\mu_1 + \mu_2$  and the slope also changes from  $\beta_1$  to  $\beta_1 + \beta_2$ .