

What Can We Learn from a Cross-Section of Returns?

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Independence in Cross-Sectional Data

Cross-sectional econometricians typically assume observations are **independent** and (often, also) identically distributed (i.i.d.)

Independence allows for straightforward derivation of asymptotic properties of cross-sectional extremum estimators:

- *asymptotic properties*: consistency and asymptotic normality
- *extremum estimators*: MLE and GMM (including OLS and IV)

In many cross-sectional settings **independence breaks down**

Common Shocks in Cross-Sectional Data

Observations are **dependent** if population units are affected by **common shocks**

Examples:

- oil price shocks affect production costs of many firms
- interest rate shocks affect consumption decisions of many households

Empirical evidence in finance literature:

- returns on stocks are driven by common factors

Localized vs. Non-Localized Common Shocks

Localized shock:

- dependence between observations fades with **distance**
- distance may be geographical, socioeconomic, time-wise, etc.

Non-localized shock:

- dependence between observations does not fade

Consider observations $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100}, \dots$:

- localized shock: X_1, X_{100} are “less dependent” than X_1, X_2
- non-localized shock: no such relationship exists

Econometrics Literature

Localized common shocks:

- general approach: Conley (1999)
- spatial effects: e.g., Kelejian & Prucha (1999)
- group effects: e.g., Lee (2007)
- social effects: e.g., Bramoullé et al. (2009)

Non-localized common shocks:

- Andrews (2003)
- Andrews (2005)

Workplan

We propose GMM estimators for non-linear cross-sectional model with non-localized common shock

We specify regularity conditions under which GMM estimators are:

- consistent
- asymptotically mixed normal

We show that inference can still be conducted using conventional Wald tests

We provide financial application to demonstrate methodology

Outline

- Econometric Framework
- Application
- Further Directions

Preliminaries: Martingale Difference Sequence

Sequence of random variables $\{Y_i\}$ on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is **martingale difference sequence** (m.d.s.) with respect to filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_i\}$ if:

- (i) Y_i is measurable with respect to \mathcal{F}_i for all i
- (ii) $E[|Y_i|] < \infty$ for all i
- (iii) $E[Y_j | \mathcal{F}_i] = 0$ a.s. for all $j > i$

▶ forward to filtration

Preliminaries: Mixed-Normal Distribution

Random variable Y has **mixed normal distribution**

$$Y \sim MN(0, \eta^2)$$

if characteristic function of Y is

$$\phi_Y(t) \equiv E[\exp(itY)] = E\left[\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\eta^2 t^2\right)\right]$$

where η is random variable

Y can be represented as

$$Y = \eta Z$$

where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and Z is **independent** of η

Setup: Data Structure

Data generating process provides observations X_0, X_1, X_2, \dots

Data structure:

- X_0 is driven by systematic (common) risk
- $X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$, is driven by systematic **and** idiosyncratic risk

Examples:

- aggregate per capita income vs. individual incomes
- stock market return vs. individual stock returns

We interpret systematic risk as non-localized common shock

$\Rightarrow \{X_i\}$ is neither ergodic stationary nor mixingale

▶ forward to erg. stationarity

▶ forward to mixingale

Setup: Conditionally I.I.D. Observations

Let X_0, X_1, X_2, \dots be defined on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

Assumption:

X_1, X_2, \dots are **conditionally i.i.d.** given σ -field $\mathcal{F}_0 \equiv \sigma(X_0)$

$\sigma(X_0)$: σ -field **generated by** X_0 (i.e., by systematic risk)

This assumption is **very** mild (Andrews, 2005):

when sample units are randomly drawn, it is compatible with:

- arbitrary dependence across population units
- different effects of systematic risk on population units
- heterogeneity across population units

Setup: Parameters and Moment Restrictions

Goal: estimate and do inference on true $p \times 1$ parameter vector θ_0

Parameter set is Θ :

- $\theta_0 \in \Theta$
- Θ is compact and convex subset of \mathbb{R}^p

Economic model provides k **moment restrictions**

$$\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \equiv \mathbf{g}(X_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}, X_0) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots$$

$(k \times 1)$

For example, 1st component of $\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ may be:

$$g_i^{(1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = X_i - E_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[X_i | X_0]$$

GMM Estimators

One-step estimation using $k \times k$ nonstoch. positive definite Σ :

$$Q_{1,n}(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\theta) \right)' \Sigma^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\theta) \right)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{1,n} = \arg \min_{\theta \in \Theta} Q_{1,n}(\theta)$$

Two-step estimation using $\hat{\Sigma}_{1,n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\theta}_{1,n}) \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\theta}_{1,n})'$:

$$Q_{2,n}(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\theta) \right)' \hat{\Sigma}_{1,n}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\theta) \right)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{2,n} = \arg \min_{\theta \in \Theta} Q_{2,n}(\theta)$$

Regularity Conditions for Consistency

- $\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is a.s. continuous and differentiable on Θ
- $E \left[\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \|\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^2 \right] < \infty$
- $E \left[\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \|\partial \mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}'\|^2 \right] < \infty$
- $E[\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) | \mathcal{F}_0] = \mathbf{0}$ a.s. and $E[\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) | \mathcal{F}_0] \neq \mathbf{0}$ a.s. if $\boldsymbol{\theta} \neq \boldsymbol{\theta}_0$
- $k \times k$ stochastic matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{F}_0} = E[\mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)' | \mathcal{F}_0]$ is a.s. positive definite

Remarks:

- $\|\cdot\|$ is Euclidean norm
- $\mathcal{F}_0 \equiv \sigma(X_0)$

Consistency: Result

Theorem:

Under regularity conditions:

$$\hat{\theta}_{1,n} \xrightarrow{p} \theta_0$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{2,n} \xrightarrow{p} \theta_0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Proof applies law of large numbers for conditionally i.i.d. random variables

▶ forward to l.l.n.

▶ skip to asy. mixed normality

Consistency: Proof Sketch

We adapt argument due to Andrews (2003) but clarify several details

Sketch:

- infer existence and measurability of estimator from standard theorem
- show pointwise convergence of objective
- show stochastic equicontinuity of objective
- establish uniform convergence of objective
- establish unique minimum of objective in the limit at θ_0 a.s.
- use above results to prove convergence of estimator to θ_0

▶ forward to stoch. equicontinuity

▶ forward to l.l.n.

Regularity Conditions for Asymptotic Mixed Normality

Additional regularity conditions:

- there is open ball $\mathcal{N} \subset \Theta$ centered at θ_0 such that $\mathbf{g}_i(\theta)$ is a.s. twice differentiable on \mathcal{N} and $E \left[\sup_{\theta \in \mathcal{N}} \left\| \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{g}_i(\theta)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} \right\| \right] < \infty$
- $k \times p$ stochastic matrix $\mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0} = E \left[\partial \mathbf{g}_i(\theta_0) / \partial \theta' \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right]$ has full column rank a.s.

Remark:

We also need to show that $\{\mathbf{g}_i(\theta_0)\}$ is **m.d.s.** with respect to some filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_i\}$

We can take $\mathcal{F}_i = \sigma(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_i)$. Observe that if $j > i$:

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\mathbf{g}_j(\theta_0) \mid \mathcal{F}_i \right] &\equiv E \left[\mathbf{g}(X_j; \theta_0, X_0) \mid \sigma(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_i) \right] = \\ &= E \left[\mathbf{g}(X_j; \theta_0, X_0) \mid \sigma(X_0) \right] \equiv E \left[\mathbf{g}_j(\theta_0) \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right] = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

Asymptotic Mixed Normality: Result

Theorem:

Under regularity conditions:

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\hat{\theta}_{1,n} - \theta_0 \right) \rightarrow^d MN \left(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{V}_{1,\mathcal{F}_0} \right)$$

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\hat{\theta}_{2,n} - \theta_0 \right) \rightarrow^d MN \left(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{V}_{2,\mathcal{F}_0} \right)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\mathbf{V}_{1,\mathcal{F}_0}$, $\mathbf{V}_{2,\mathcal{F}_0}$ are $p \times p$ a.s. positive definite **stochastic** matrices:

$$\mathbf{V}_{1,\mathcal{F}_0} = \left[\mathbf{G}'_{\mathcal{F}_0} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{G}'_{\mathcal{F}_0} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{F}_0} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0} \left[\mathbf{G}'_{\mathcal{F}_0} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0} \right]^{-1}$$
$$\mathbf{V}_{2,\mathcal{F}_0} = \left[\mathbf{G}'_{\mathcal{F}_0} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{F}_0}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0} \right]^{-1}$$

▶ skip to asy. inference

Asymptotic Mixed Normality: Proof Sketch

Proof utilizes conventional techniques:

- mean-value expand $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{1,n} \right)$ around $\boldsymbol{\theta}_0$ in f.o.c.
- show that $\mathbf{G}_{1,n} \equiv \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{1,n})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}'} \rightarrow^p \mathbf{G}_{\mathcal{F}_0}$
- invoke c.l.t. for m.d.s. to show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \rightarrow^d [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{F}_0}]^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{Z}$$

- invoke Slutsky's theorem to establish final result with $\mathbf{V}_{1,\mathcal{F}_0}$
- repeat steps for $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n}$ and simplify to obtain $\mathbf{V}_{2,\mathcal{F}_0}$

▶ forward to c.l.t.

Asymptotic Inference

Consider testing r parameter restrictions:

$$H_0 : \mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) = \mathbf{0}, H_A : \mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \neq \mathbf{0}$$

Suppose:

- $r \times 1$ vector-function $\mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is continuously differentiable on Θ
- $r \times p$ Jacobian $\mathbf{A}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) = \partial \mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) / \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}'$ has full row rank

then, it can be shown that under H_0 , **Wald test statistic**

$$W \equiv n \mathbf{a}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})' \left[\mathbf{A}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n}) \mathbf{V}_{2,n} \mathbf{A}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})' \right]^{-1} \mathbf{a}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n}) \rightarrow^d \chi^2(r)$$

Remark: result for $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{1,n}$ is analogous

► forward to formulas

Financial Market Structure

Financial assets:

- many risky assets called **stocks**
- one diversified portfolio of stocks called **market index**
- one riskless asset (e.g., Treasury bill)

Asset prices are quoted continuously, but we will ultimately focus on only two dates: $t = 0$ and $t = T$

Simplification:

between 0 and T , risk-free interest rate r is constant

Market Index Price Dynamics

Dynamics of market index price:

$$\frac{dM_t}{M_t} = \mu_m dt + \sigma_m dW_t$$

where drift μ_m is

$$\mu_m = r + \delta \sigma_m$$

- σ_m : market volatility, $\sigma_m > 0$
- δ : Sharpe ratio of market index
- $\{W_t\}$: systematic risk, modeled as standard Brownian motion

Stock Price Dynamics

Dynamics of price of stock i for $i = 1, 2, \dots$:

$$\frac{dS_t^i}{S_t^i} = \mu_i dt + \beta_i \sigma_m dW_t + \sigma_i dZ_t^i$$

where drift μ_i is

$$\mu_i = r + \delta \beta_i \sigma_m + \gamma \sigma_i$$

- β_i : systematic risk loading (“beta”) of stock i
- σ_i : idiosyncratic volatility of stock i
- γ : idiosyncratic risk premium
- $\{Z_t^i\}$: idiosyncratic risk, modeled as standard Brownian motion

Additional Assumptions

$\{W_t\}$, $\{Z_t^1\}$, $\{Z_t^2\}$, ... are mutually independent processes

We specify β_i and σ_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots$ as random variables:

$$\beta_i \sim i.i.d. \text{ UNI } [\kappa_\beta, \kappa_\beta + \lambda_\beta], \lambda_\beta > 0$$

$$\sigma_i \sim i.i.d. \text{ UNI } [0, \lambda_\sigma], \lambda_\sigma > 0$$

Remark:

Using cross-sectional data, it is impossible to estimate β_i and σ_i

Relationship to Finance Literature

Recall:

$$\mu_i = r + \delta\beta_i\sigma_m + \gamma\sigma_i$$

If $\gamma = 0$, our price dynamics are in line with:

- ICAPM with constant invest. opportunity set: Merton (1973)
- APT with one market factor: Ross (1976)

But growing literature suggests that idiosyncratic risk is priced:

- Merton (1987), Malkiel & Xu (2006): incomplete diversification
- Epstein & Schneider (2008): ambiguity premium

Green & Rydqvist (1997), Ang et al. (2006), Fu (2009):
idiosyncratic premium is nonzero, but no consensus about sign

Contribution to Empirical Finance Literature

Estimating γ helps inform debate over idiosyncratic risk premium:

- value of γ affects construction of investment strategies

Estimating σ_m from cross-sectional data is complementary to high-frequency time-series approach (e.g., Andersen et al., 2003):

- many pricing applications require volatility estimates

Remark:

Our estimation method differs from traditional regression technique of Fama & MacBeth (1973)

GMM Implementation: Observations

Using Itô's lemma:

$$\frac{S_T^i}{S_0^i} = \exp \left[\left(\mu_i - \frac{1}{2} \beta_i^2 \sigma_m^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_i^2 \right) T + \beta_i \sigma_m W_T + \sigma_i Z_T^i \right]$$

$$\frac{M_T}{M_0} = \exp \left[\left(\mu_m - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_m^2 \right) T + \sigma_m W_T \right]$$

where W_T, Z_T^i for $i = 1, 2, \dots \sim i.i.d. N(0, T)$

Interpretation: $X_0 = \frac{M_T}{M_0}, X_1 = \frac{S_T^1}{S_0^1}, X_2 = \frac{S_T^2}{S_0^2}, \dots$

Remark:

Easy to see that $\frac{S_T^1}{S_0^1}, \frac{S_T^2}{S_0^2}, \dots$ are **conditionally i.i.d.** given $\frac{M_T}{M_0}$

GMM Implementation: Moment Restrictions

Theorem:

Let $\mathcal{F}_0 = \sigma(M_T/M_0)$ and $\theta = (\sigma_m, \gamma, \kappa_\beta, \lambda_\beta, \lambda_\sigma)'$. For any finite $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, $E_\theta \left[(S_T^i/S_0^i)^\xi \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right]$ exists and can be expressed analytically. Moreover, it is continuously differentiable in θ and all derivatives can be expressed analytically

Given constants ξ_1, \dots, ξ_k , let $k \times 1$ vector of moment restrictions be

$$\mathbf{g}_i(\theta) = (g_i(\xi_1; \theta), \dots, g_i(\xi_k; \theta))'$$

where l^{th} component of $\mathbf{g}_i(\theta)$ is

$$g_i^{(l)}(\theta) \equiv g_i(\xi_l; \theta) = \left(S_T^i/S_0^i \right)^{\xi_l} - E_\theta \left[\left(S_T^i/S_0^i \right)^{\xi_l} \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right]$$

Remark: δ is not identifiable

► forward to formulas

Data Sources

Sources:

- stock data: Center for Research in Security Prices (**CRSP**)
- T-bill data: Federal Reserve Bank Reports (from WRDS)
- index data: Yahoo! Finance and Bloomberg

All raw data are daily. We use data from two months:

- January 2008: low market volatility month
- October 2008: high market volatility month

CRSP provides extensive information on assets traded on NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ, but not all assets are stocks of companies

Data: Details on Stocks

We only include securities that are regularly traded stocks of operating companies:

- exclude closed-end funds, ETFs, mortgage/financial REITs
- include ADRs (stocks of foreign companies traded on U.S. exchanges)
- if company issues two or more classes of shares, include class with largest number of outstanding shares

Average daily number of included distinct securities:

- January 2008: 5,452
- October 2008: 5,245

Further Directions

Currently in progress:

- estimation of model parameters

Direction for future econometric research:

- MLE under common shocks

Extensions of financial application:

- multi-factor stock price model
- stochastic volatility setting

Thank you!

Questions?

Appendix Outline I

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σ -Field

Collection \mathcal{F} of subsets of set Ω is said to be **σ -field** on Ω if \mathcal{F} has following properties:

- (i) $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$
- (ii) if $A \in \mathcal{F}$, then its complement $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$
- (iii) if $A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{F}$

◀ return to filtration

◀ return to de Finetti's theorem

◀ return to generation of σ -fields

Filtration

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be probability space. **Filtration** on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is family $\{\mathcal{F}_i\}$ of σ -fields such that:

- (i) $\mathcal{F}_i \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ for every i
- (ii) $\mathcal{F}_i \subseteq \mathcal{F}_j$ if $i < j$

▶ forward to σ -field

◀ return to m.d.s.

◀ return to mixingale

Interchangeable R.V.'s and de Finetti's Theorem

Random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are called **interchangeable** (exchangeable) if their joint cumulative distribution function (c.d.f.) is symmetric function, i.e., if their c.d.f. is invariant under permutations

Collection of random variables $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is interchangeable if every finite subset of them is interchangeable

de Finetti's Theorem:

Collection of random variables $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) are interchangeable if and only if they are **conditionally independent and identically distributed** given some σ -field \mathcal{G}

See Chow & Teicher (1997, pp. 232-234)

▶ forward to σ -field

◀ return to conditional i.i.d.'ness

How to Generate σ -Fields

If \mathcal{G} is any collection of subsets of Ω , there always exists smallest σ -field \mathcal{F} on Ω such that $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$

If $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is any function, then σ -field **generated by** X , denoted as $\sigma(X)$, is smallest σ -field on Ω containing all sets

$$X^{-1}(U), \text{ where } U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ is open}$$

Remark:

Random variable X is measurable with respect to σ -field $\sigma(X)$, as well as any σ -field containing $\sigma(X)$

See Rudin (1987, p. 12), Øksendal (1995, pp. 6-7)

▶ forward to σ -field

◀ return to conditional i.i.d.'ness

Law of Large Numbers for Conditionally I.I.D. R.V.'s

Let random variables X_1, X_2, \dots be defined on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) . Suppose there exists σ -field $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{F}$ such that, **conditional on \mathcal{F}_0** , X_1, X_2, \dots are i.i.d. Let $h(\cdot)$ be vector-valued function that satisfies $E \|h(X_i)\| < \infty$, where $\|\cdot\|$ is Euclidean norm. Then:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n h(X_i) \xrightarrow{P} E(h(X_i) | \mathcal{F}_0) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Remark:

$E(h(X_i) | \mathcal{F}_0)$ is random variable

See Andrews (2005, p. 1557), Hall & Heyde (1980, p. 202)

◀ return to consistency result

◀ return to consistency proof

Central Limit Theorem for M.D.S.

Let $\{S_{ni}, \mathcal{F}_{ni}, 1 \leq i \leq k_n, n \geq 1\}$ be zero-mean, square-integrable martingale array with differences X_{ni} , and let η^2 be a.s. finite r.v. Suppose that:

- (i) $\max_i |X_{ni}| \xrightarrow{p} 0$
- (ii) $\sum_i X_{ni}^2 \xrightarrow{p} \eta^2$
- (iii) $E(\max_i X_{ni}^2)$ is bounded in n

and σ -fields are nested: $\mathcal{F}_{n,i} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{n+1,i}$. Then:

$$S_{nk_n} = \sum_i X_{ni} \xrightarrow{d} Z \text{ (stably),}$$

where r.v. Z has characteristic function $E[\exp(-\frac{1}{2}\eta^2 t^2)]$

Remark: Z has **mixed normal** distribution

See Hall & Heyde (1980, pp. 58-59)

Ergodic Stationarity

Sequence of random variables $\{X_i\}$ is (strictly) **stationary** if, for any finite integer r and any set of subscripts i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r , joint distribution of $(X_i, X_{i_1}, X_{i_2}, \dots, X_{i_r})$ depends on $i_1 - i, i_2 - i, \dots, i_r - i$ and does **not** depend on i

Stationary sequence $\{X_i\}$ is **ergodic stationary** if, for any two bounded functions $f : \mathbb{R}^{k+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R}^{l+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |Ef(X_i, \dots, X_{i+k}) \cdot g(X_{i+n}, \dots, X_{i+l+n})| &= \\ &= |Ef(X_i, \dots, X_{i+k})| \cdot |Eg(X_i, \dots, X_{i+l})| \end{aligned}$$

◀ return to data structure

Mixingale

Let $\{X_i\}$ be sequence of random variables and let $\{\mathcal{F}_i\}$ be filtration on probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

Let $\|\cdot\|_p$ denote $L^p(P)$ norm: $\|X_i\|_p = (E |X_i|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$

Sequence $\{X_i, \mathcal{F}_i\}$ is **L^1 -mixingale** if there exist nonnegative constants $\{c_i\}$ and $\{\psi_m\}$ such that $\psi_m \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and for all i and $m \geq 0$:

- (i) $\|E(X_i | \mathcal{F}_{i-m})\|_1 \leq c_i \psi_m$
- (ii) $\|X_i - E(X_i | \mathcal{F}_{i+m})\|_1 \leq c_i \psi_{m+1}$

Remark: condition (ii) usually holds trivially, because X_i is almost always measurable with respect to \mathcal{F}_i

See McLeish (1975), Andrews (1988)

▶ forward to filtration

◀ return to data structure

Stochastic Equicontinuity (I)

Let $B(\theta, \delta)$ denote closed ball of radius $\delta > 0$ centered at θ . Sequence of functions $\{G_n(\theta)\}$ is **stochastically equicontinuous** on Θ if for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} P \left(\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \sup_{\theta' \in B(\theta, \delta)} |G_n(\theta') - G_n(\theta)| > \epsilon \right) < \epsilon$$

Assumption SE-1 of Andrews (1992, p. 246):

(a) $G_n(\theta) = \hat{Q}_n(\theta) - Q_n(\theta)$, where $Q_n(\cdot)$ is nonrandom function that is continuous in θ uniformly over Θ

(b) $|\hat{Q}_n(\theta') - \hat{Q}_n(\theta)| \leq B_n h(d(\theta', \theta))$ for any $\theta', \theta \in \Theta$ a.s. for some random variable B_n and some nonrandom function h such that $h(y) \downarrow 0$ as $y \downarrow 0$, where d is metric on Θ

(c) $B_n = O_p(1)$

▶ continue

Stochastic Equicontinuity (II)

Lemma 1 of Andrews (1992, p. 246). If $\{G_n(\theta)\}$ satisfies Assumption SE-1, then $\{G_n(\theta)\}$ is stochastically equicontinuous on Θ

Theorem 1 of Andrews (1992, p. 244). Suppose that:

- (i) Θ is totally bounded metric space
- (ii) $G_n(\theta) \xrightarrow{p} 0$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$ (pointwise)
- (iii) $\{G_n(\theta)\}$ is stochastically equicontinuous on Θ

then $G_n(\theta)$ converges **uniformly** in probability to 0:

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |G_n(\theta)| \xrightarrow{p} 0$$

Remark: total boundedness is weaker than compactness

Asymptotic Inference: Formulas

$$W \equiv n\mathbf{a}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})' \left[\mathbf{A}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n}) \mathbf{V}_{2,n} \mathbf{A}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})' \right]^{-1} \mathbf{a}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{2,n} = \left[\mathbf{G}'_{2,n} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{2,n}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{2,n} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{2,n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}'}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{2,n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n}) \mathbf{g}_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{2,n})'$$

◀ return to asy. inference

Conditional Moment Formula (I)

$$E_{\theta} \left[\left(S_T^i / S_0^i \right)^{\xi} \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right] = \exp [r\xi T] \cdot A [x_A, y_A] \cdot B [x_B, y_B]$$

where

$$x_A = \xi \left(\ln (M_T / M_0) + \left[\frac{1}{2} \sigma_m^2 - r \right] T \right)$$

$$y_A = -\frac{1}{2} \xi \sigma_m^2 T$$

$$x_B = \xi \gamma T$$

$$y_B = \frac{1}{2} \xi (\xi - 1) T$$

Conditional Moment Formula (II)

$$\text{If } \xi < 0, A[x_A, y_A] = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\lambda_\beta\sqrt{y_A}} \exp\left[-\frac{x_A^2}{4y_A}\right] \times \\ \times \left(\operatorname{erfi}\left[\frac{x_A}{2\sqrt{y_A}} + (\kappa_\beta + \lambda_\beta)\sqrt{y_A}\right] - \operatorname{erfi}\left[\frac{x_A}{2\sqrt{y_A}} + \kappa_\beta\sqrt{y_A}\right] \right)$$

$$\text{If } \xi > 0, A[x_A, y_A] = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\lambda_\beta\sqrt{-y_A}} \exp\left[-\frac{x_A^2}{4y_A}\right] \times \\ \times \left(\operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{x_A}{2\sqrt{-y_A}} - \kappa_\beta\sqrt{-y_A}\right] - \operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{x_A}{2\sqrt{-y_A}} - (\kappa_\beta + \lambda_\beta)\sqrt{-y_A}\right] \right)$$

$$\text{If } \xi = 0, A[x_A, y_A] = 1$$

$$\operatorname{erf}[\cdot] \text{ is error function: } \operatorname{erf}[z] = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^z \exp(-t^2) dt$$

$$\operatorname{erfi}[\cdot] \text{ is imaginary error function: } \operatorname{erfi}[z] = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^z \exp(t^2) dt$$

Conditional Moment Formula (III)

$$\text{If } \zeta < 0 \text{ or } \zeta > 1, B[x_B, y_B] = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\lambda_\sigma\sqrt{y_B}} \exp\left[-\frac{x_B^2}{4y_B}\right] \times \\ \times \left(\operatorname{erfi}\left[\frac{x_B}{2\sqrt{y_B}} + \lambda_\sigma\sqrt{y_B}\right] - \operatorname{erfi}\left[\frac{x_B}{2\sqrt{y_B}}\right] \right)$$

$$\text{If } 0 < \zeta < 1, B[x_B, y_B] = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\lambda_\sigma\sqrt{-y_B}} \exp\left[-\frac{x_B^2}{4y_B}\right] \times \\ \times \left(\operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{x_B}{2\sqrt{-y_B}}\right] - \operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{x_B}{2\sqrt{-y_B}} - \lambda_\sigma\sqrt{-y_B}\right] \right)$$

$$\text{If } \zeta = 1 \text{ and } x_B \neq 0, B[x_B, y_B] = \frac{\exp[\lambda_\sigma x_B] - 1}{\lambda_\sigma x_B}$$

$$\text{If } \zeta = 1 \text{ and } x_B = 0 \text{ or if } \zeta = 0, B[x_B, y_B] = 1$$

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