

Econ 582 Lecture 2

Note Title

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AR(1)

$$Y_t - \mu = \phi (Y_{t-1} - \mu) + \epsilon_t$$

multiply both sides by $Y_{t-j} - \mu$

$$(Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-j} - \mu) = \phi (Y_{t-1} - \mu)(Y_{t-j} - \mu) + \epsilon_t (Y_{t-j} - \mu)$$

Take Expectations

$$\gamma_j = E[(Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t-j} - \mu)] = \phi \underbrace{E[(Y_{t-1} - \mu)(Y_{t-j} - \mu)]}_{\gamma_{j-1}} + E[\epsilon_t (Y_{t-j} - \mu)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_j = \phi \gamma_{j-1}$$

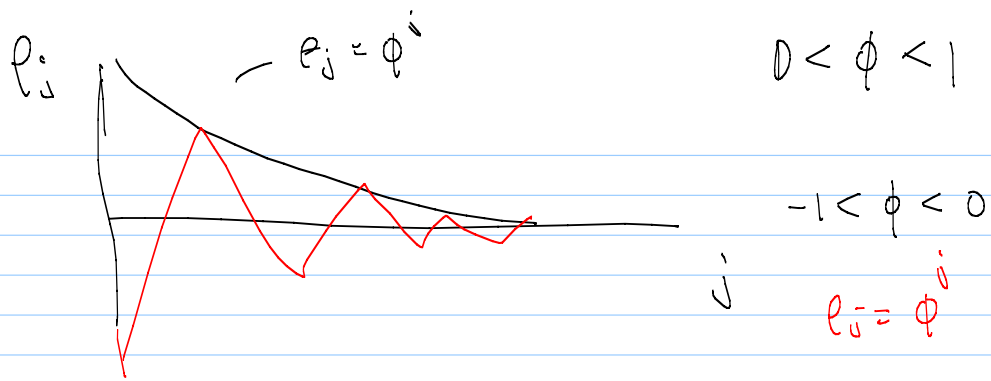
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o b/c Y_{t-j} may depend on ϵ_{t-j} and earlier

$$\Rightarrow \text{cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-j}) = \phi \text{cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-j+1}) !$$

By recursive substitution

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_j = \phi^j \cdot \gamma_0 = \phi^j \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2}$$

$$\rho_j = \frac{\gamma_j}{\gamma_0} = \phi^j = \text{CORR}(Y_t, Y_{t-j})$$



Note: For AR(1) $\psi_j = \phi^j = \rho_j$

\Rightarrow ACF = IRF!