

General-to-Specific Time Series Modelling

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Lecture 3: Exogeneity



Core References for Lecture 3:

- Engle, Hendry, and Richard (1983)* 'Exogeneity' (EHR)
- Ericsson, Hendry, and Mizon (1998)* Exogeneity, Cointegration, and Policy Analysis
- Hendry and Santos (2010)* Automatic Test for Super Exogeneity
- Engle and Hendry (1993) Super Exogeneity
- Hendry (2017) Granger (Non-)Causality



Exogeneity: valid conditioning.

- Weak Exogeneity: conditions to study conditional model alone (relative to parameters of interest)
- Strong Exogeneity: feedback and conditional projections/forecasts.
- Super Exogeneity: invariance, policy analysis.

Conditions of variables in/out of the model. Beyond pre-determinedness and 'strict exogeneity' which refer to properties of unobserved error term. Let $x_t \in \mathbb{R}^n$ denote a vector of observable random variables generated at time t with observations (t = 1, ..., T).

$$X_{t}^{1} = (x_{1}, \dots, x_{t})'$$
 (1)

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is a $t \times n$ matrix. Denote X_0 the matrix of initial conditions. Information at time t is:

$$X_{t-1} = \begin{bmatrix} X_0 \\ X_{t-1}^1 \end{bmatrix}$$
(2)

Process generating T observations is assumed continous and represented by the joint density function $D(X_T^1|X_0, \theta)$ where θ in the interior of Θ is a vector of unknown parameters.



The vector \mathbf{x}_t is partitioned into

$$\mathbf{x}_{t} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}_{t} \\ z_{t} \end{pmatrix}$$
, $\mathbf{y}_{t} \in \mathsf{R}^{\mathsf{p}}$, $z_{t} \in \mathsf{R}^{\mathsf{q}}$, $\mathsf{p} + \mathsf{q} = \mathsf{n}$ (3)

Factorize the joint density (as using $P(a, b) = P(a \mid b)P(b)$) as:

$$D(X_{T}^{1}|X_{0},\theta) = \prod_{t=1}^{T} D(x_{t}|X_{t-1},\theta)$$
(4)



Parameters of Interest ψ : may not be interested in all parameters θ . Instead interested in $\psi \rightarrow f(\theta)$. Consider therefore a one-to-one transformation:

$$h: \Theta \to \Lambda; \theta \to \lambda = h(\theta)$$
 (5)

and partition λ into λ_1 , λ_2 .

Let Λ_i denote the set of admissible values of λ_i . Question is whether parameters of interest are functions of λ_i alone, whether there exists a function ϕ such that:

$$\phi: \Lambda_1 \to \Psi; \lambda_1 \to \psi = \phi(\lambda_1) \tag{6}$$



Partition the joint density into a **conditional** and **marginal** (no loss of information):

$$D(x_t | X_{t-1}, \lambda) = D(y_t | z_t, X_{t-1}, \lambda_1) D(z_t | X_{t-1}, \lambda_2)$$
(7)

 z_t is **weakly exogenous** (WE) over the sample period for parameters of interest ψ if and only if there exists a re-parametrisation with $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ such that:

- ψ is a function of λ_1 alone.
- λ_1 and λ_2 are variation free.

If z_t is WE, then can study conditional density alone to learn about ψ without having to consider marginal.



Likelihood framework (estimation) – Joint Likelihood (given initial conditions) denoted as:

$$L^{0}(\lambda; X_{T}^{1}) = L_{1}^{0}(\lambda_{1}; X_{T}^{1}) L_{2}^{0}(\lambda_{2}; X_{T}^{1})$$
(8)

partitioned into conditional and marginal likelihood:

$$\begin{split} L_{1}^{0}(\lambda_{1};X_{T}^{1}) &= \prod_{t=1}^{T} D(y_{t}|z_{t},X_{t-1},\lambda_{1}) \\ L_{2}^{0}(\lambda_{2};X_{T}^{1}) &= \prod_{t=1}^{T} D(z_{t}|X_{t-1},\lambda_{2}) \end{split} \tag{9}$$

where under weak exogeneity estimates of parameter of interest ψ can be obtained by considering the conditional likelihood L_1^0 alone.



Granger Non-Causality:

 Y_{t-1}^1 does not Granger cause z_t with respect to X_{t-1} if and only if marginal density:

$$D(z_t|X_{t-1},\theta) = D(z_t|Z_{t-1},Y_0,\theta)$$
(11)

 \rightarrow past values of y_t do not enter the marginal density of z_t.

If this condition holds over the sample period, then the joint density $D(X_T^1|X_0, \theta)$ factorises as:

$$D(X_{\mathsf{T}}^{1}|X_{0},\theta) = \left[\prod_{t=1}^{\mathsf{T}} D(y_{t}|z_{t},X_{t-1},\theta)\right] \left[\prod_{t=1}^{\mathsf{T}} D(z_{t}|Z_{t-1},Y_{0},\theta)\right]$$
(12)



Strong Exogeneity:

 z_t is strongly exogenous over the sample period for ψ if and only if it is weakly exogenous for ψ and:

• y does not Granger cause z

If z_t is strongly exogenous: we can conduct inference on parameters of interest in conditional model alone and create conditional forecasts on z_t (no feedback of y_t onto z_t).



Even if the parameters of the conditional density $D(y_t|z_t, X_{t-1}, \lambda_1)$ and marginal density $D(z_t|X_{t-1}, \lambda_2)$ are variation free, λ_1 may still change as λ_2 alters.

- Conditional model is structurally invariant if all its parameters λ_1 are invariant for any changes in the distribution of the conditioning variables. (Denote these changes as interventions C_2).
- E.g. $\lambda_{1,t} = \kappa \lambda_{2,t}$ with κ unknown, variation free but not invariant.



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 z_t is **super exogenous** for ψ if z_t is weakly exogenous for ψ and the conditional model $D(y_t|z_t, X_{t-1}, \lambda_1)$ is structurally invariant.

Engle and Hendry (1983) on Super Exogeneity:

- Weak Exogeneity
- Parameter constancy: $\psi_t = \psi$ (or function of constant parameters)

•
$$\frac{\partial \lambda_1}{\partial \lambda_2} = 0$$
 $\forall \lambda_2 \in C_2$



Relating to "Endogeneity":

Commonly used definitions of exogeneity refer to properties of variables relative to an unobserved error term ϵ_t in regression.

Definition:

- z_t is predetermined if and only if: $z_t \| \varepsilon_{t+i} ~~\forall i \geqslant 0$
- z_t is strictly exogenous if and only if: $z_t || \varepsilon_{t+i} \quad \forall i$ where || denotes that processes are independent.

Neither predeterminedness nor strict exogeneity are sufficient (or necessary) to fulfil weak, strong, or super-exogeneity required for conditional modelling.





Exogeneity in Bivariate Normal:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t \\ z_t \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathsf{IN}(\mu, \Omega), \quad \mu = \mu_i, \Omega = \omega_{ij}, i, j = 1, 2$$
 (13)

Conditional distribution $y_t | z_t$:

$$y_t | z_t \sim IN(\alpha + \beta z_t, \sigma^2)$$
 (14)

where $\beta = \omega_{12}/\omega_{22}$ and $\alpha = \mu_1 - \beta \mu_2$ and $\sigma^2 = \omega_{11} - \omega_{12}^2/\omega_{22}$ Denote the error terms:

$$u_{1,t} = y_t - E(y_t|z_t) \text{ and } u_{2,t} = y_t - E(y_t)$$
 (15)

$$v_{1,t} = z_t - E(z_t|y_t) \text{ and } v_{2,t} = z_t - E(z_t)$$
 (16)



Conditional model:

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta z_t + u_{1,t} \tag{17}$$

Marginal model:

$$z_{\rm t} = \mu_2 + \nu_{2,\rm t} \tag{18}$$

where $u_{1,t} \sim IN(0,\sigma^2)$ and $v_{2,t} \sim IN(0,\omega_{22})$

- z_t is weakly exogenous for parameters in conditional model $(\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2)$ as the parameters in the conditional and marginal models are variation free.
- Arbitrary choices of μ_2 , ω_{22} do not constrain the parameters in the conditional model.



Consider alternative conditioning:

$$z_{t} = \gamma + \delta y_{t} + v_{1,t} \tag{19}$$

and marginal:

$$y_t = \mu_1 + \mu_{2,t}$$
 (20)

where
$$\delta = \omega_{12}/\omega_{11}$$
, $\gamma = \mu_2 - \delta\mu_2$, and $V(\nu_{1,t}) = \tau^2 = \omega_{22} - \omega_{21}^2/\omega_{11}$.

- Now y_t is weakly exogenous for δ , γ , τ^2 .
- Weak exogeneity is defined relative to parameters of interest (can they be obtained from the conditional model alone).

Predeterminedness & Weak Exogeneity

Predeterminedness does not imply WE or vice versa:

• Regardless of parameter of interest, by construction y_t is predetermined in conditional model of z_t (and vice versa). Cov $(z_t, u_{1,t}) = 0$:

$$Cov(z_{t}, u_{1,t}) = Cov(z_{t}, y_{t} - E[y_{t}|z_{t}])$$

= $Cov(z_{t}, y_{t}) + Cov(z_{t}, -E[y_{t}|z_{t}])$
= $\omega_{12} + Cov(z_{t}, -\mu_{1} - \beta(z_{t} - \mu_{2}))$
= $\omega_{12} - \beta Var(z_{t})$
= $\omega_{12} - \frac{\omega_{12}}{\omega_{22}}\omega_{22}$

• But: e.g. when $\gamma = \mu_2 - \delta \mu_2$ is the parameter of interest in cond. model of y_t , then z_t is predetermined, but not weakly exogenous.

Here weak-exogeneity cannot be tested. Not the case in more complex models (particularly useful in cointegrated VARs).

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Exogeneity in a Cobweb Model (control rule to control y):

$$y_t = z_t \beta + \epsilon_{y,t}$$
(21)

$$z_t = z_{t-1}\delta_1 + y_{t-1}\delta_2 + \varepsilon_{z,t}$$
(22)

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{t} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{y,t} \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{z,t} \end{bmatrix} \sim IN\left(\boldsymbol{0},\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\right), \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yy} & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yz} \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{yz} & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$
(23)



Model is a restricted factorisation of a VAR of y_t , z_t , where the unrestricted reduced form is given by:

$$y_{t} = y_{t-1}\beta\delta_{2} + z_{t-1}\beta\delta_{1} + v_{t}$$
(24)
$$z_{t} = z_{t-1}\delta_{1} + y_{t-1}\delta_{2} + \epsilon_{z,t}$$
(25)

with:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nu_{t} \\ \varepsilon_{z,t} \end{bmatrix} \sim IN\left(0,\Omega\right), \quad \Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{yy} + 2\beta\sigma_{yz} + \beta^{2}\sigma_{zz} & \sigma_{yz} + \beta\sigma_{zz} \\ \sigma_{yz} + \beta\sigma_{zz} & \sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$



The VAR can be partitioned into a conditional and a marginal model:

$$y_t = z_t b + y_{t-1}a_1 + z_{t-1}a_2 + u_t$$
 (26)

$$z_{t} = z_{t-1}\delta_1 + y_{t-1}\delta_2 + \epsilon_{z,t}$$
(27)

where $u_t \sim IN(0,\sigma^2).$

The coefficients in (26) map to cobweb model (21) such that

• $b = \beta + \frac{\sigma_{yz}}{\sigma_{zz}}$ • $a_i = \delta_i \frac{\sigma_{yz}}{\sigma_{zz}}$ where i = [1, 2].

If $\sigma_{yz} = 0$, then z_t is WE for the parameter of interest β .



If $\sigma_{yz} = 0$:

• z is 'predetermined' in (21) and z is also weakly exogenous for β

However, if $\sigma_{yz} \neq 0$ then:

- z is not predetermined in model (21) as z_t is non-orthogonal to the error $\varepsilon_{y,t}$
- while z it is predetermined in the conditional model (26), however, then z not weakly exogenous for β which cannot be recovered from the conditional model alone.

Pre-determinedness does not imply weak-exogeneity and valid conditioning.



Exogeneity in a Cointegrated VAR

$$y_{t} = \sum_{j=1}^{s} A_{j} y_{t-j} + \mu + \epsilon_{t}$$
(28)

$$\epsilon_{t} \sim IN(0, \Sigma), \text{ with } \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xz} \\ \Sigma_{xz} & \Sigma_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$
(29)
(30)

Consider s = 2 and assume reduced rank $(\Pi) = 1$ where $(\Pi = \alpha \beta')$

$$\Delta y_{t} = \alpha \beta' y_{t-1} + \Gamma \Delta y_{t-1} + \mu + \varepsilon_{t}$$
(31)

where $y_t = (x_t, z_t)'$, $\varepsilon_t = (\varepsilon_{x,t}, \varepsilon_{z,t})'$ and $\Delta y_t = y_t - y_{t-1}$.



Can write out the full CVAR system as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_t \\ \Delta z_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{t-1} \\ z_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_{11} & \Gamma_{12} \\ \Gamma_{21} & \Gamma_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_{t-1} \\ \Delta z_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{x,t} \\ \varepsilon_{z,t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Cointegrating vector (equilibrium relationship) given by:

$$\beta' y_t = \beta_1 x_t + \beta_2 z_t \tag{32}$$



Re-write VAR as conditional and marginal:

From the joint CVAR model define $m_{x,t}$ and $m_{z,t}$ as follows:

$$m_{x,t} = \mu_x + \alpha_1 \beta' y_{t-1} + \Gamma_1 \Delta y_{t-1}$$
 (33)

$$m_{z,t} = \mu_z + \alpha_2 \beta' y_{t-1} + \Gamma_2 \Delta y_{t-1}$$
 (34)

Using the multivariate normal distribution of ε_t , the conditional expectation of Δx_t given Δz_t , y_{t-1} is equal to:

$$\mathsf{E}[\Delta x_t | \Delta z_t, y_{t-1}] = \mathsf{m}_{x,t} + \mathsf{D}(\Delta z_t - \mathsf{m}_{z,t}) \tag{35}$$

where $D = \sum_{xz} \sum_{zz}^{-1}$. Substituting for $m_{x,t}$, $m_{z,t}$ in (35) and collecting terms yields the resulting conditional model.



Conditional Model:

$$\begin{split} \Delta x_t &= (\mu_x - D\mu_z) + (\alpha_1 - D\alpha_2)\beta' y_{t-1} + D\Delta z_t + (\Gamma_1 - D\Gamma_2)\Delta y_{t-1} + \nu_{x,t} \\ &= (\mu_x - D\mu_z) + \beta_1(\alpha_1 - D\alpha_2)x_{t-1} + \beta_2(\alpha_1 - D\alpha_2)z_{t-1} + D\Delta z_t + \\ (\Gamma_{11} - D\Gamma_{21})\Delta x_{t-1} + (\Gamma_{12} - D\Gamma_{22})\Delta z_{t-1} + \nu_{x,t} \\ &= \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 x_{t-1} + \gamma_2 z_{t-1} + \gamma_3 \Delta z_t + \gamma_4 \Delta x_{t-1} + \gamma_5 \Delta z_{t-1} + \nu_{x,t} \end{split}$$

Where $D = \Sigma_{xz} \Sigma_{zz}^{-1}$, $\Gamma_i = (\Gamma_{i1}, \Gamma_{i2})$, and $\nu_{x,t} = \varepsilon_{x,t} - D\varepsilon_{z,t}$.



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Marginal model:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta z_{t} &= \mu_{z} + \alpha_{2}\beta' y_{t-1} + \Gamma_{2}\Delta y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{z,t} \\ &= \mu_{z} + (\alpha_{2}\beta_{1})x_{t-1} + (\alpha_{2}\beta_{2})z_{t-1} + \Gamma_{21}\Delta x_{t-1} + \Gamma_{22}\Delta z_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{z,t} \\ &= \psi_{0} + \psi_{1}x_{t-1} + \psi_{2}z_{t-1} + \psi_{3}\Delta x_{t-1} + \psi_{4}\Delta z_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{z,t} \end{aligned}$$



Weak Exogeneity in the CVAR:

If β (the long-run equilibrium) is the parameter of interest, then direct test for weak exogeneity is testing α_i adjustment coefficients.

- z_t is weakly exogenous for β if $\alpha_2 = 0$
- x_t is weakly exogenous for β if $\alpha_1 = 0$

Testable: LR tests, (or bootstrap).

Note: both series cannot be weakly exogenous simultaneously, as otherwise there is no cointegration.

If Γ are parameters of interest, then weak exogeneity requires restrictions on covariance matrix Σ .



Strong Exogeneity in the CVAR:

- x_t will not Granger-cause z_t if and only if $\Gamma_{21} = 0$ and $(\alpha_2 \beta_1) = 0$.
- z_t will not Granger-cause x_t if and only if $\Gamma_{12} = 0$ and $(\alpha_1 \beta_2) = 0$.

If β_1 , $\beta_2 \neq 0$ then granger non-causality is a sufficient condition for strong exogeneity (which add. requires weak exogeneity $\alpha = 0$) in the 1-lag, rank=1, CVAR example.

Consider two cointegrating vectors?



Super Exogeneity in the CVAR

Engle and Hendry (1993) on Super Exogeneity:

- Weak Exogeneity (testable on α)
- Parameter constancy (testable: recursive or breaks)
- Parameters in cond. invariant to shifts in marginal



Here: **focus on testing invariance** to changes/shifts in marginal density.

Shock in marginal process – does this change how variable reacts in conditional model?

Example: Policy intervention in marginal model – increase taxes, emission standards etc. Response in conditional: does variable respond the way we expect given the estimated model?

 \rightarrow Makes the 'Lucas Critique' testable.



Lucas (1976) criticised using econometric models for policy analysis: implementing policy would alter the structure the model was attempting to capture.

- Agents: form model-based expectations about z when making decisions about y, then λ₁ depends on λ₂, and λ₁ will change if policy alters λ₂.
- This may be the case even if weak exogeneity holds.



Lucas critique focuses on two model properties: **Parameter constancy** and **invariance**: Super exogeneity provides a concept to test what Lucas criticised.

Hendry 1988, and Engle and Hendry 1993:

- A) Test for constancy of λ₁ and λ₂. If λ₁ is constant, but λ₂ is not, then λ₁ is invariant to the interventions that ocurred and Lucas critique can not apply.
- B) Develop marginal model until its parameters are empirically constant model how λ₂ varies over time by including dummies, etc. Then test the significance of these dummies in the conditional model. Insignificance in conditional model demonstrates invariance of λ₁.

\rightarrow empirical presence of super-exogeneity (testable) refutes Lucas critique in practise.

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Testing Invariance:

Develop marginal model until its parameters are empirically constant – model how λ_2 varies over time by including dummies (known shocks/interventions).

Then test the significance of these dummies in the conditional model. Insignificance in conditional model demonstrates invariance of λ_1 .

Unknown unknowns – detect shocks in marginal (how?) and subsequently test if they are already accounted for in the parameters of the conditional.



Parameter invariance essential in policy models: else mis-predict under regime shifts.

Super exogeneity combines parameter invariance with valid conditioning so crucial for economic policy.

- Automatic test in Hendry and Santos (2010) & Castle, Hendry, Martinez (2016): detect shocks in marginal models, retain all significant outcomes and test their relevance in conditional model.
- No *ex ante* knowledge of timing or magnitudes of breaks: need not know DGP of marginal variables.
- Test has correct size under null of super exogeneity for a range of sizes of marginal-model saturation tests. Power to detect failures of super exogeneity when location shifts in marginal models:applies equally to models with expectations like NKPC.



First stage is detection of shocks in marginal, retaining dummies at significance level α_1 , here m are detected:

$$\mathbf{z}_{t} = \pi_{0} + \sum_{j=1}^{s} \Pi_{j} \mathbf{x}_{t-j} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \rho_{i,\alpha_{1}} \mathbf{1}_{\{t=t_{i}\}} + \mathbf{v}_{2,t}^{*}$$
(36)

Second stage adds m retained indicators to conditional:

$$y_{t} = \mu_{0} + \beta' \mathbf{z}_{t} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \tau_{i,\alpha_{2}} \mathbf{1}_{\{t=t_{i}\}} + \varepsilon_{t}$$
(37)

Conduct F-test for significance of $(\tau_{1,\alpha_2} \dots \tau_{m,\alpha_2})$ at level α_2 .

Test has power as significant impulse indicators capture outliers not explained by regressors.



The invariance test involves two stages.

A] IIS and/or SIS is applied to marginal system for all current conditioning variables z_t : significant indicators are recorded.

B] Those indicators then tested for significance in the conditional equation $(y_t | z_t, \cdots)$

Retaining s lags of all variables $\mathbf{x}_t = (\mathbf{y}_t : \mathbf{z}_t)'$, SIS is applied at significance level α_1 leading to the selection of m step indicators:

$$\mathbf{z}_{t} = \psi_{0} + \sum_{i=1}^{s} \Psi_{i} \mathbf{x}_{t-i} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \eta_{j,\alpha_{1}} \mathbf{1}_{\{t \leq T_{j}\}} + \mathbf{v}_{2,t}$$
(38)

where (38) is selected to be congruent. Significant step-indicator coefficients are denoted η_{j,α_1} to emphasize dependence on α_1 . Simulating *Autometrics*, Castle, Doornik, Hendry, and Pretis (2015) show the gauge, **g**, of SIS in (38) is close to α_1 ; and SIS has potency for detecting substantive location shifts close to power for known shifts.

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The m significant step indicators $\{1_{\{t \leq j\}}\}$ are retained in (38) when:

$$|\mathsf{t}_{\widehat{\eta}_{\mathfrak{i},\alpha_{1}}}| > c_{\alpha_{1}} \tag{39}$$

when c_{α_1} is the critical value for α_1 . Collect the indicators at each t in an m vector d_t, then (for s = 1):

$$\mathbf{y}_{t} = \gamma_{0} + \gamma_{1}' \mathbf{z}_{t} + \pi' \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \delta' \mathbf{d}_{t} + \epsilon_{t}$$
(40)

where $\delta = (\delta'_{1,\alpha_1} \dots \delta'_{m,\alpha_1})' = 0$ under the null, to be tested as an added-variable set in the conditional equation (40) without selection. Use the $F_{Inv(\delta=0)}$ -test, at significance level α_2 which rejects when:

$$\mathsf{F}_{\mathsf{Inv}(\delta=\mathbf{0})} > c_{\alpha_2}. \tag{41}$$



The simulation DGP is:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} y_t \\ z_t \end{array} \right) \mid \mathbf{x}_{t-1} \sim \mathsf{IN}_2 \left[\left(\begin{array}{c} \gamma_1 + \rho \gamma_{2,t} \\ \gamma_{2,t} \end{array} \right) \text{, } \sigma_{22} \left(\begin{array}{c} \sigma_{22}^{-1} \sigma_{11} + \rho^2 \theta_{(t)} & \rho \theta_{(t)} \\ \rho \theta_{(t)} & \theta_{(t)} \end{array} \right)$$

$$E[y_{t}|z_{t}, x_{t-1}] = \gamma_{1} + \rho \gamma_{2,t} + \frac{\rho \sigma_{22} \theta_{(t)}}{\sigma_{22} \theta_{(t)}} (z_{t} - \gamma_{2,t}) = \gamma_{1} + \rho z_{t}$$

 $\gamma_{2,t}=1+\lambda \mathbf{1}_{\{t\leqslant T_1\}}$ and $\theta_{(t)}=1+\theta \mathbf{1}_{\{t\leqslant T_2\}}$ (invariance still holds)



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 $\mathsf{E}[y_{t}|z_{t}, x_{t-1}] = \gamma_{1} + \rho \gamma_{2, t} + \frac{\rho \sigma_{22} \theta_{(t)}}{\sigma_{22} \theta_{(t)}} (z_{t} - \gamma_{2, t}) = \gamma_{1} + \rho z_{t}$

 $\gamma_{2,t}=1+\lambda \mathbf{1}_{\{t\leqslant T_1\}}$ and $\theta_{(t)}=1+\theta \mathbf{1}_{\{t\leqslant T_2\}}$ (invariance still holds)

Three different null states need to be investigated: (a) a constant marginal distribution for z_t ; (b) a location shift in that distribution (so $\lambda \neq 0$); and (c) a variance shift (so $\theta \neq 0$).

SIS-based tests at stage 1 should not use too tight an α_1 or may find no indicators, so $F_{Inv(\delta=0)}$ would have a zero null rejection frequency.





Constant marginal process	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200
Stage 1 gauge: $\alpha_1 = 0.01$	0.035	0.033	0.044
Stage 2 NRF: $\alpha_2 = 0.01$	0.006	0.009	0.009





Constant r	narginal p	rocess	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200	
Stage 1 ga	auge: α_1 =	= 0.01	0.035	0.033	0.044	
Stage 2 N	RF: α_2	= 0.01	0.006	0.009	0.009	
Location shift in z _t		$\lambda = 2$			$\lambda = 10$	
	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200	T = 50	T=100	T = 200
$\alpha_1 = 0.01$				·		
Stage 1 gauge	0.034	0.027	0.043	0.018	0.018	0.035
Stage 1 potency	0.191	0.186	0.205	0.957	0.962	0.965
$\alpha_{2} = 0.01$						
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Stage 1 ga	auge: α_1 =	= 0.01	0.035	0.033	0.044	
Stage 2 NI	RF: α_2 =	= 0.01	0.006	0.009	0.009	
Location shift in z_t		$\lambda = 2$			$\lambda = 10$	
	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200
$\alpha_1 = 0.01$						
Stage 1 gauge	0.034	0.027	0.043	0.018	0.018	0.035
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	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200	T = 50	T = 100	T = 200
$\alpha_1 = 0.01$						
Stage 1 gauge	0.042	0.051	0.067	0.060	0.083	0.113
Stage 1 potency	0.030	0.030	0.035	0.041	0.043	0.071
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Stage 2 NRF	0.006	0.008	0.009	0.006	0.009	0.010



The DGP for violations of invariance (here due to a failure of weak exogeneity under non-constancy):

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{t} \\ z_{t} \end{pmatrix} \sim IN_{2} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{1} + \rho \gamma_{2,t} \\ \gamma_{2,t} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$
(42)

so letting $\sigma_{12}/\sigma_{22}=\beta$ leads to the conditional relation:

$$\mathsf{E}\left[y_{t} \mid z_{t}\right] = \gamma_{1} + (\rho - \beta)\gamma_{2,t} + \beta z_{t} \tag{43}$$

$$\gamma_{2_t} = \lambda \mathbf{1}_{\{t > T_1\}} \tag{44}$$

$$\begin{split} &d = \lambda/\sqrt{\sigma_{22}}: \{1, 2, 2.5, 3, 4\}, \\ &\beta: \{0.75, 1, 1.5, 1.75\} \text{ (reducing departure from WE, } \rho = 2) \\ &\text{The DGP location shift: } T_s = 80 - 100. \\ &M = 1,000 \text{ replications at } \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0.01. \end{split}$$



Table 6: Stage 1 gauge and potency for $\beta = 1$.

d	1	2	2.5	3	4
Stage 1 gauge:	0.040	0.028	0.026	0.023	0.021
Stage 1 potency:	0.223	0.575	0.737	0.813	0.930

The procedure is over-gauged, but this is not crucial at stage 1. Potency rises rapidly with d (magnitude of shift).



When correct step indicator is always included in the conditional model, powers approximate the maximum achievable using $\alpha_2 = 0.01$.

Table 7: Power using a known step indicator.

d : β	0.75	1	1.5	1.75
1	1.00	1.00	0.886	0.270
2	1.00	1.00	1.000	0.768
2.5	1.00	1.00	1.000	0.855
3	1.00	1.00	1.000	0.879
4	1.00	1.00	1.000	0.931

For large magnitudes of d or substantive departures from weak exogeneity, $\rho - \beta$, invariance almost always rejected, but power falls rapidly when both the location shift magnitude declines and the weak exogeneity violation disappears.

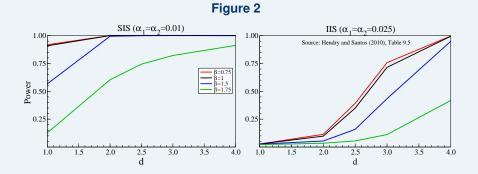


Table 8: Stage 2 power for a failure of invariance, (for $\rho = 2$)

d : β	0.75	1	1.5	1.75
1	0.918	0.908	0.567	0.127
2	1.000	1.000	0.994	0.604
2.5	1.000	1.000	0.999	0.744
3	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.821
4	1.000	1.000	0.999	0.912

Power of the SIS test is close to the optimal test power in Table 7, despite not knowing the number or timing of any shifts.







Exogeneity in Climate Econometrics – see Pretis (2017)

Empirical studies on:

- Impacts of climate (temperature changes etc.) onto economic activity
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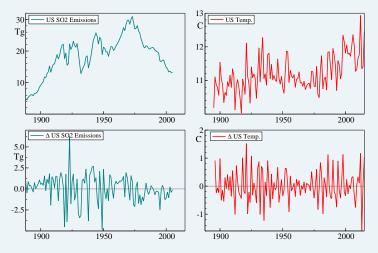
Climate economic system: where each side considers conditional models.



One economic variable (e_t) and one climate variable (c_t)

US SO₂ Emissions (e_t)

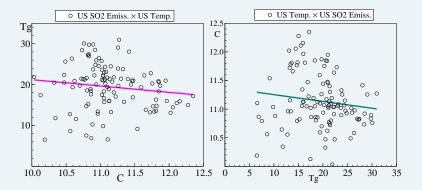
US Temp. (ct)





$$\hat{e}_{t} = \frac{43.65 - 2.15 c_{t}}{(11.69)}$$

$$\hat{c}_{t} = \underbrace{11.49 - 0.018 e_{t}}_{(0.17)}$$
Climate cond, on Econ



VS.



Climate-Economic System: **DGP** is Joint Density of $y_t = (e'_t : c'_t)$

- et socio-economic processes
- ct climate processes

Data Generating Process (DGP):

$$D_Y(Y_T^1|Y_0,\zeta) = \prod_{t=1}^T D_y(y_t|Y_{t-1},\zeta_t)$$

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Cointegration Tests for e_t , c_t (US Temp. & US SO₂ emissions)

Rank	Trace Test	Trace Test (Bartlett)	Bootstrap Test
0 1	p<0.001 p=0.012	p<0.001 p=0.013	p<0.001 p=0.075
Sampl	e: 1897 - 200	05, T=109	



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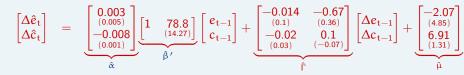
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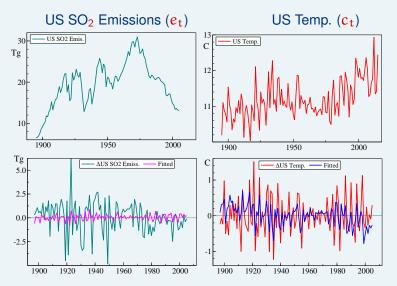
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 $\begin{array}{rll} T &=& 109, \ n=8, \ \mbox{LogLik} = -264.69, \ \ \mbox{F}_{ar}(8,200) = 2.36[p=0.02], \\ \chi^2_{norm}(4) &=& 10.06[p=0.04], \ \ \mbox{F}_{het}(18,283) = 0.947[p=0.52] \end{array}$

Model Fit







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LR	$\chi^2(1)$ = 0.26 [p=0.61]	$\chi^2(1) = 19.55 \text{ [p} < 0.00 \text{]}$
Bootstrap	0.25 [p=0.66]	19.96 [p<0.00]

Temp. adjusts to coint. relation: β enters marginal model of c_t

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US: No temp. feedback onto emissions & Climate-setting



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Test in a system by detecting **shocks in marginal model** at $p = \alpha_1$:

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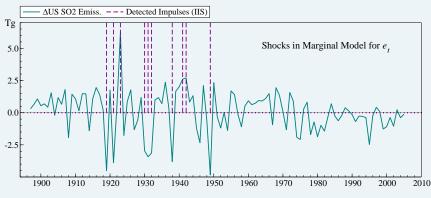
Test joint significance in conditional climate model at $p = \alpha_2$: $\Delta c_t = \lambda_0 + \alpha_2 \beta' y_{t-1} + \lambda_2 \Delta e_{t-1} + \lambda_3 \Delta c_{t-1} + \lambda_4 \Delta e_t + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbf{1}_{t=t_i} \delta_{i,\alpha_1}}_{\text{Detected Impulses}} + \nu_{c,t}$





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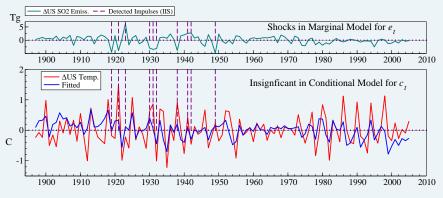


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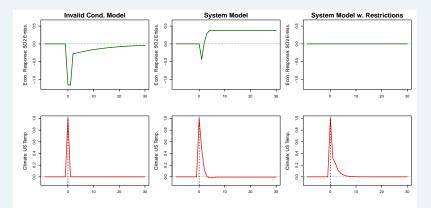
$$\Delta \hat{e}_{t} = \underbrace{6.52}_{(5.07)} - \underbrace{[\underbrace{0.45c_{t-1}}_{(0.44)} + \underbrace{0.07e_{t-1}}_{(0.03)}]}_{\text{appears significant}} \underbrace{-1.15}_{\hat{\gamma}_{3}=\hat{D}=\hat{\Sigma}_{ec}\hat{\Sigma}_{c}^{-1}} \Delta c_{t} - \underbrace{0.02\Delta e_{t-1}}_{\hat{\gamma}_{5}=(\hat{\Gamma}_{12}-\hat{D}\hat{\Gamma}_{22})}$$

- Incorrectly conclude that $[c_{t-1}, e_{t-1}]$ enter the model (p=0.03) (full system p=0.26)
- Risk of mis-interpreting coeffs. on Δc_t and Δc_{t-1} as impacts

Consequences of WE failure



Invalid conditional model vs. system model:





Exogeneity:

- Weak Ex.: to study conditional alone
- Strong Ex.: Granger Non-Causality + Weak (feedbacks & cond. forecasting)
- Super Ex.: Invariance + Weak (policy/counterfactuals/Lucas Critique)

Testable in systems: consider what can be conditioned on.

Predeterminedness does not imply Weak Exogeneity or vice versa.



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