TIME SERIES ECONOMETRICS II

UNIT ROOTS AND COINTEGRATION

This course is about the econometric analysis of nonstationary data. While it continues Time Series Econometrics I, all the background material from the previous course that is needed will be made available in some Review Lecture Notes at the beginning of this course. The subject is nonstationary time series and its applications in econometrics. We will cover asymptotic methods for nonstationary processes including functional limit theory and stochastic integration, unit root tests, tests of stationarity, spurious regression, cointegrated systems, cointegration tests, reduced rank regression and estimation of models with cointegration. We will also look at long memory models, semiparametric estimation of fractional integration, and introduce some new work on spatial density analysis for nonstationary data, nonlinear integration and panel cointegration. We will not be able to cover all the topics given in the readings below in the same depth but we will try to touch on each of these topics at some point in the course. Credit is obtained from a take home examination and/or an empirical application.

A set of my past lecture notes and some printed lectures I gave at the IMF in 1998 and 2003 will be available. These notes will cover many of the topics that we will talk about in lectures. With these, the course should be fairly self-contained.

0. General References\(^1\): The reading guide of Time Series Econometrics I has a more complete list of references in time series. The items below are largely supplementary to that general list. An annotated bibliography on unit root nonstationarity and unit root tests is provided in Phillips (1997), and Phillips and Xiao (1998).


\(^1\) Asterisked references are more important to the course. Double-asterisked references are principal sources.


Hall and Heyde (1980) op.cit.


2. Nonstationarity and Trends: Ideas and Challenges, Models and Scope of Interest


3. Functional Central Limit Theory and Applications to Unit Root Asymptotics


4. Stochastic Integration, Ito Calculus and Weak Convergence to Stochastic Integrals


5. Unit Root Tests and Applications


Fuller (1976) *op. cit.*


6. Trends and Efficient Trend Elimination


7. Testing Stationarity


8. Spurious Regression


9. General Theory of Regression with Integrated Processes


10. Cointegration and Tests for Cointegration


*Econometric Reviews* (1994) [special issue].


11. Causality Tests in Cointegrated Systems


12. Regression Estimation of Cointegrated Systems


13. Strong Dependence and Long Memory


14. Bayesian Approaches to Unit Root and Cointegration Analysis


Econometric Theory, Vol. 10, Nos. 3&4, 1994 [special issue].

Journal of Applied Econometrics, Vol. 6, No.4, 1991 [special issue].


15. **Spatial Analysis for Nonstationary Data: Densities and Hazard Functions**


16. **Nonlinear Integration and Regression**


17. Nonstationary Panel Data and Cointegration


