

“Instrumental Variables Estimation of Heteroskedastic Linear Models Using All Lags of Instruments”

Additional Appendix, Part 1

This appendix contains results omitted from the submitted paper to save space. It includes:

1. Tables with additional simulation results (in a separate document called Additional Appendix, part 2)
2. Tables with additional asymptotic comparisons for GMM
3. Construction of positive semidefinite  $\hat{S}$
4. Approximation error in computing asymptotic variances of optimal estimator
5. Details on procedures used in simulations
6. Formal statement of asymptotic results
7. Some worked out examples
8. Some details on maximum likelihood calculations

## 2. Tables with additional asymptotic comparisons

The first of the three sets of entries we present includes those in Table 1:

$\phi$	$\theta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma_1$	GMM1	GMM4	GMM12
0.500	0.000	0.500	0.100	1.0007e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.500	0.300	1.0085e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.600	0.100	1.0007e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.600	0.300	1.0090e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.700	0.100	1.0006e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.700	0.300	1.0084e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.800	0.100	1.0004e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.800	0.300	1.0068e+00	1.0001e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.900	0.100	1.0002e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.900	0.300	1.0045e+00	1.0001e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.500	0.100	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.500	0.300	1.0207e+00	1.0003e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.600	0.100	1.0021e+00	1.0001e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.600	0.300	1.0328e+00	1.0013e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.700	0.100	1.0029e+00	1.0002e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.700	0.300	1.0519e+00	1.0057e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.800	0.100	1.0036e+00	1.0006e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.800	0.300	1.0877e+00	1.0228e+00	1.0003e+00
0.900	0.000	0.900	0.100	1.0038e+00	1.0012e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.000	0.900	0.300	1.2308e+00	1.1396e+00	1.0353e+00
0.500	0.500	0.500	0.100	1.3864e+00	1.0044e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.500	0.300	1.5430e+00	1.0060e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.600	0.100	1.3869e+00	1.0046e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.600	0.300	1.5513e+00	1.0071e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.700	0.100	1.3837e+00	1.0048e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.700	0.300	1.5467e+00	1.0087e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.800	0.100	1.3761e+00	1.0049e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.800	0.300	1.5268e+00	1.0102e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.900	0.100	1.3633e+00	1.0048e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.900	0.300	1.4899e+00	1.0109e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.500	0.100	1.2009e+00	1.0024e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.500	0.300	1.3502e+00	1.0045e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.600	0.100	1.2058e+00	1.0029e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.600	0.300	1.3900e+00	1.0081e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.700	0.100	1.2099e+00	1.0037e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.700	0.300	1.4431e+00	1.0177e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.800	0.100	1.2115e+00	1.0050e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.800	0.300	1.5263e+00	1.0462e+00	1.0004e+00
0.900	0.500	0.900	0.100	1.2068e+00	1.0066e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.500	0.900	0.300	1.8070e+00	1.2130e+00	1.0464e+00
0.500	0.700	0.500	0.100	1.9682e+00	1.0587e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.500	0.300	2.2499e+00	1.0688e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.600	0.100	1.9727e+00	1.0600e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.600	0.300	2.2838e+00	1.0758e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.700	0.100	1.9710e+00	1.0615e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.700	0.300	2.3021e+00	1.0856e+00	1.0003e+00
0.500	0.700	0.800	0.100	1.9604e+00	1.0626e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.800	0.300	2.2949e+00	1.0970e+00	1.0003e+00
0.500	0.700	0.900	0.100	1.9373e+00	1.0623e+00	1.0002e+00
0.500	0.700	0.900	0.300	2.2486e+00	1.1055e+00	1.0007e+00
0.900	0.700	0.500	0.100	1.8223e+00	1.0487e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.700	0.500	0.300	2.2860e+00	1.0659e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	0.700	0.600	0.100	1.8322e+00	1.0508e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.700	0.600	0.300	2.3813e+00	1.0794e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	0.700	0.700	0.100	1.8418e+00	1.0545e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	0.700	0.700	0.300	2.5221e+00	1.1087e+00	1.0003e+00
0.900	0.700	0.800	0.100	1.8471e+00	1.0600e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	0.700	0.800	0.300	2.7621e+00	1.1790e+00	1.0015e+00
0.900	0.700	0.900	0.100	1.8364e+00	1.0660e+00	1.0006e+00
0.900	0.700	0.900	0.300	3.5979e+00	1.5081e+00	1.0762e+00
0.500	0.900	0.500	0.100	3.1150e+00	1.3531e+00	1.0398e+00
0.500	0.900	0.500	0.300	3.4094e+00	1.3501e+00	1.0376e+00
0.500	0.900	0.600	0.100	3.1281e+00	1.3572e+00	1.0400e+00
0.500	0.900	0.600	0.300	3.4704e+00	1.3654e+00	1.0381e+00
0.500	0.900	0.700	0.100	3.1390e+00	1.3635e+00	1.0406e+00
0.500	0.900	0.700	0.300	3.5454e+00	1.3942e+00	1.0403e+00
0.500	0.900	0.800	0.100	3.1438e+00	1.3717e+00	1.0419e+00
0.500	0.900	0.800	0.300	3.6454e+00	1.4451e+00	1.0479e+00
0.500	0.900	0.900	0.100	3.1326e+00	1.3789e+00	1.0442e+00
0.500	0.900	0.900	0.300	3.8806e+00	1.5681e+00	1.0961e+00

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$\phi$	$\theta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma_1$	GMM1	GMM4	GMM12
0.500	0.900	0.900	0.300	3.8806e+00	1.5681e+00	1.0961e+00
0.900	0.900	0.500	0.100	5.9907e+00	1.8148e+00	1.0905e+00
0.900	0.900	0.500	0.300	8.2621e+00	1.9855e+00	1.1005e+00
0.900	0.900	0.600	0.100	6.0084e+00	1.8256e+00	1.0909e+00
0.900	0.900	0.600	0.300	8.5692e+00	2.0579e+00	1.1036e+00
0.900	0.900	0.700	0.100	6.0377e+00	1.8431e+00	1.0919e+00
0.900	0.900	0.700	0.300	9.1515e+00	2.1982e+00	1.1109e+00
0.900	0.900	0.800	0.100	6.0832e+00	1.8723e+00	1.0948e+00
0.900	0.900	0.800	0.300	1.0550e+01	2.5427e+00	1.1420e+00
0.900	0.900	0.900	0.100	6.1319e+00	1.9168e+00	1.1053e+00
0.900	0.900	0.900	0.300	2.0983e+01	5.1149e+00	1.7430e+00
0.500	0.950	0.500	0.100	3.5313e+00	1.5062e+00	1.1039e+00
0.500	0.950	0.500	0.300	3.7512e+00	1.4743e+00	1.0921e+00
0.500	0.950	0.600	0.100	3.5417e+00	1.5093e+00	1.1037e+00
0.500	0.950	0.600	0.300	3.7898e+00	1.4827e+00	1.0903e+00
0.500	0.950	0.700	0.100	3.5530e+00	1.5158e+00	1.1042e+00
0.500	0.950	0.700	0.300	3.8465e+00	1.5052e+00	1.0903e+00
0.500	0.950	0.800	0.100	3.5639e+00	1.5264e+00	1.1063e+00
0.500	0.950	0.800	0.300	3.9411e+00	1.5534e+00	1.0974e+00
0.500	0.950	0.900	0.100	3.5701e+00	1.5408e+00	1.1119e+00
0.500	0.950	0.900	0.300	4.2748e+00	1.7130e+00	1.1686e+00
0.900	0.950	0.500	0.100	1.0453e+01	2.8519e+00	1.3738e+00
0.900	0.950	0.500	0.300	1.4453e+01	3.1823e+00	1.4006e+00
0.900	0.950	0.600	0.100	1.0450e+01	2.8683e+00	1.3749e+00
0.900	0.950	0.600	0.300	1.4805e+01	3.2994e+00	1.4084e+00
0.900	0.950	0.700	0.100	1.0462e+01	2.8935e+00	1.3768e+00
0.900	0.950	0.700	0.300	1.5527e+01	3.5107e+00	1.4248e+00
0.900	0.950	0.800	0.100	1.0510e+01	2.9372e+00	1.3829e+00
0.900	0.950	0.800	0.300	1.7463e+01	4.0197e+00	1.4868e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	1.0647e+01	3.0224e+00	1.4076e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.300	3.6363e+01	8.5720e+00	2.6159e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.500	0.100	1.1028e+00	1.0014e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.500	0.300	1.0709e+00	1.0016e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.600	0.100	1.1046e+00	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.600	0.300	1.0759e+00	1.0018e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.700	0.100	1.1070e+00	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.700	0.300	1.0815e+00	1.0020e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.800	0.100	1.1099e+00	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.800	0.300	1.0879e+00	1.0021e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.900	0.100	1.1134e+00	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.900	0.300	1.0951e+00	1.0021e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.500	0.100	1.0136e+00	1.0003e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.500	0.300	1.0134e+00	1.0007e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.600	0.100	1.0138e+00	1.0004e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.600	0.300	1.0227e+00	1.0020e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.700	0.100	1.0145e+00	1.0007e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.700	0.300	1.0387e+00	1.0065e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.800	0.100	1.0158e+00	1.0011e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.800	0.300	1.0703e+00	1.0227e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.900	0.100	1.0176e+00	1.0017e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.900	0.300	1.1991e+00	1.1304e+00	1.0325e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.500	0.100	1.2390e+00	1.0438e+00	1.0049e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.500	0.300	1.1550e+00	1.0312e+00	1.0032e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.600	0.100	1.2478e+00	1.0457e+00	1.0051e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.600	0.300	1.1750e+00	1.0359e+00	1.0037e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.700	0.100	1.2571e+00	1.0478e+00	1.0054e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.700	0.300	1.1967e+00	1.0415e+00	1.0044e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.800	0.100	1.2669e+00	1.0498e+00	1.0057e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.800	0.300	1.2204e+00	1.0483e+00	1.0057e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.900	0.100	1.2767e+00	1.0515e+00	1.0061e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.900	0.300	1.2495e+00	1.0589e+00	1.0106e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.500	0.100	1.0299e+00	1.0065e+00	1.0007e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.500	0.300	1.0218e+00	1.0042e+00	1.0003e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.600	0.100	1.0312e+00	1.0070e+00	1.0007e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.600	0.300	1.0327e+00	1.0065e+00	1.0004e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.700	0.100	1.0330e+00	1.0078e+00	1.0008e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.700	0.300	1.0501e+00	1.0123e+00	1.0005e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.800	0.100	1.0354e+00	1.0087e+00	1.0009e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.800	0.300	1.0826e+00	1.0300e+00	1.0010e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.900	0.100	1.0387e+00	1.0098e+00	1.0010e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.900	0.300	1.2103e+00	1.1376e+00	1.0336e+00

The second set of entries allows non-normal eta:

$\phi$	$\theta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma_1$	unconditional excess kurtosis	$\kappa\eta$	GMM1	GMM4	GMM12
0.500	-0.900	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.1550e+00	1.0312e+00	1.0032e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.2624e+00	1.0527e+00	1.0068e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.0709e+00	1.0016e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.1053e+00	1.0017e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.0085e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.0012e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.5430e+00	1.0060e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.4089e+00	1.0065e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.900	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	3.4094e+00	1.3501e+00	1.0376e+00
0.500	0.900	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	3.3407e+00	1.4221e+00	1.0517e+00
0.500	0.950	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	3.7512e+00	1.4743e+00	1.0921e+00
0.500	0.950	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	3.7596e+00	1.5760e+00	1.1184e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.0218e+00	1.0042e+00	1.0003e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.0466e+00	1.0195e+00	1.0017e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.0134e+00	1.0007e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.0294e+00	1.0112e+00	1.0006e+00
0.900	0.000	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.0207e+00	1.0003e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.0285e+00	1.0112e+00	1.0007e+00
0.900	0.500	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.3502e+00	1.0045e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.3149e+00	1.0260e+00	1.0010e+00
0.900	0.900	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	8.2621e+00	1.9855e+00	1.1005e+00
0.900	0.900	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	8.0517e+00	2.2904e+00	1.1543e+00
0.900	0.950	0.500	0.100	7.000	5.941	1.4453e+01	3.1823e+00	1.4006e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	7.000	3.897	1.3902e+01	3.6701e+00	1.5155e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.2195e+00	1.0409e+00	1.0045e+00
0.500	-0.900	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.2721e+00	1.0518e+00	1.0063e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.0957e+00	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	-0.500	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.1109e+00	1.0016e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.0015e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.000	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.0004e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.4128e+00	1.0046e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.500	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.3764e+00	1.0053e+00	1.0000e+00
0.500	0.900	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	3.1669e+00	1.3521e+00	1.0394e+00
0.500	0.900	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	3.1896e+00	1.3901e+00	1.0459e+00
0.500	0.950	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	3.5692e+00	1.4993e+00	1.1015e+00
0.500	0.950	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	3.6222e+00	1.5498e+00	1.1133e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.0248e+00	1.0058e+00	1.0006e+00
0.900	-0.900	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.0381e+00	1.0114e+00	1.0011e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.0111e+00	1.0004e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	-0.500	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.0183e+00	1.0033e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.000	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.0032e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.000	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.0082e+00	1.0028e+00	1.0001e+00
0.900	0.500	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.2240e+00	1.0027e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.500	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.2331e+00	1.0103e+00	1.0002e+00
0.900	0.900	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	6.3606e+00	1.8438e+00	1.0923e+00
0.900	0.900	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	6.5910e+00	2.0041e+00	1.1160e+00
0.900	0.950	0.500	0.100	1.167	1.000	1.1109e+01	2.9082e+00	1.3787e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	1.750	1.000	1.1429e+01	3.1754e+00	1.4321e+00

The third set of entries allows  $u(t)$  to impound two shocks:  $u_t = e_{t+2} - \theta e_{t+1} + v_{t+2} - dv_{t+1}$ ,  $v_t \sim \text{i.i.d. } (0, \sigma_v^2)$ ,  $v_t$  independent of  $e_t$ .  $\sigma_v^2$  chosen so that half the variance of  $u_t$  was due to each signal.

$\phi$	$\theta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma_1$	-d	GMM1	GMM4	GMM12
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	2.000	1.0031e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	1.111	1.0011e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	1.000	1.0011e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	0.900	1.0011e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	0.500	1.0031e+00	1.0000e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-0.500	1.4666e+00	1.0197e+00	1.0000e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-0.900	7.0517e+00	2.1574e+00	1.1707e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-0.950	9.9322e+00	2.8845e+00	1.3860e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-1.000	1.2041e+01	3.4372e+00	1.5763e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-1.053	9.9322e+00	2.8845e+00	1.3860e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-1.111	7.0517e+00	2.1574e+00	1.1707e+00
0.900	0.950	0.900	0.100	-2.000	1.4666e+00	1.0197e+00	1.0000e+00

3. Construction of positive semidefinite  $\hat{S}$  may be insured by the following algorithm, applicable in the symmetric case in which  $E u_{t+n} e_{t_i} e_{t_j}' = E u_{t_i} e_{t_j}' = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Assume the regression disturbance may be written

$$u_t = c_{q+1}' e_{t+q} + c_q' e_{t+q-1} + \dots + c_1' e_{t+1} + u_{2t} \equiv u_{1t} + u_{2t}$$

where the  $c_i$ 's are  $(r \times 1)$  and the  $u_{it}$ 's are scalars. After a parametric model is fit to  $z_t$ , yielding  $\hat{e}_t$ , a regression of  $\hat{u}_t$  on  $\hat{e}_{t+q}, \dots, \hat{e}_{t+1}$  delivers  $\hat{c}_i$ 's, a fitted value  $\hat{u}_{1t}$  and a residual  $\hat{u}_{2t}$ . We can use these sample quantities to construct p.s.d.  $\hat{S}$ . (To keep notation uncluttered, we use  $\hat{e}$  rather than  $\hat{e}^t$ .)

As in the DGP used in the third set of asymptotic calculations described above, let  $u_{2t}$  be conditionally homoskedastic and mean independent of  $e_{t+j}$  for  $j \geq 0$ . Then  $S = S_1 + S_2$ ,  $S_1 = \sum_{j=-q}^q E e_{t-j} u_{1t} u_{1t}' e_{t-j}'$ . A sufficient condition for  $\hat{S}$  to be p.s.d. is that each  $\hat{S}_i$  is p.s.d.. It may help to note that if  $u_t$  is conditionally homoskedastic, one can set  $\hat{u}_{1t} = 0$ ,  $\hat{S}_1 = 0$  and  $\hat{u}_{2t} = \hat{u}_t$ .

In each  $S_i$ , the first row and column is zero except for  $S_i(1,1) = \sum_{j=-q}^q E u_{it} u_{it-j}'$ . The  $(Tr \times Tr)$  submatrix that remains is band diagonal, with blocks on the diagonal =  $E e_{t-j} e_{t-j}' u_{it}^2$ , blocks on the immediate off-diagonal =  $E e_{t-j} e_{t-j}' u_{it} u_{it+1}$ , ..., and, finally, blocks =  $E e_{t-j} e_{t-j}' u_{it} u_{it+q}$ . For  $i=1,2$ , estimate  $E u_{it}^2$ ,  $E u_{it} u_{it+1}$ , ...,  $E u_{it} u_{it+q}$  so that the estimates are consistent with  $u_{it}$  following an MA(q) process. Possible techniques for doing so include fitting an MA(q), or using sample autocovariances after checking that they obey the necessary inequalities (see, e.g., Box and Jenkins (1976, p71) for the inequalities when  $q=2$ ). Then the implied estimate of  $\hat{S}_i(1,1)$  will be positive for  $i=1,2$ . In  $S_2$ ,  $E e_t e_t' u_{2t} u_{2t+j} = E e_t e_t' E u_{2t} u_{2t+j}$ , and  $\hat{S}_2$  will be p.s.d. if one constructs the  $(Tr \times Tr)$  submatrix using  $T^{-1} \hat{\Sigma} \hat{e}_t \hat{e}_t'$  for  $E e_t e_t'$  and the estimates of  $E u_{2t}^2$ ,  $E u_{2t} u_{2t+1}$ , ...,  $E u_{2t} u_{2t+q}$  that were just mentioned.

For the  $(Tr \times Tr)$  submatrix of  $S_1$ : One can use the  $\hat{c}_i$ 's and estimates of a GARCH model for  $e_t$ . Alternatively, one can estimate  $\hat{S}_1$  as  $\hat{S}_1 = T^{-1} \sum_{t=p}^T \hat{R}_t \otimes (\hat{e}_t \hat{e}_t')$ , where  $\hat{R}_t$  is a  $T \times T$  symmetric band diagonal matrix with an estimate of  $E_t u_{1t+j}^2$  on the diagonal ( $j=0, \dots, T-1$ ), of  $E_t u_{1t+j} u_{1t+j+1}$  on the first off-diagonal ( $j=0, \dots, T-2$ ), ..., of  $E_t u_{1t+j} u_{1t+j+q}$  on the  $q$ 'th off-diagonal ( $j=0, \dots, T-q-1$ ). In the spirit of the procedure in Schwert (1989), one can construct  $\hat{R}_t$  as follows. (1) Let  $abs(\hat{e}_t)$  denote the  $r \times 1$  vector obtained by taking the absolute value of  $\hat{e}_t$  element by element. Estimate a VAR(p) in  $abs(\hat{e}_t)$ ,  $abs(\hat{e}_t) = \hat{a}_0 + \hat{a}_1' abs(\hat{e}_{t-1}) + \dots + \hat{a}_p' abs(\hat{e}_{t-p}) + \text{residual} \equiv \hat{A}_1' W_{t-1} + \text{residual}$ , where  $\hat{a}_0$  is  $(r \times 1)$ ,  $\hat{a}_1, \dots, \hat{a}_p$  are  $(r \times r)$ ,  $\hat{A}_1'$  is  $r \times (pr+1)$  and  $W_{t-1}$  is  $(pr+1) \times 1$ . (2) Compute  $\hat{A}_j$  for  $j=1, \dots, T+1$ , where  $\hat{A}_j' W_t$  is the  $j$ -period ahead

forecast of  $\text{abs}(\hat{e}_{t+j})$  implied by the VAR. (3) Observe that an estimate of  $E_t e_{t+j} e_{t+j}'$  consistent with Schwert (1989) is  $\frac{\pi}{2} \hat{A}_j' W_t W_t' \hat{A}_j$ . Corresponding estimates of conditional moments of  $u_t$  are thus:

$$E_t u_{1t+j}^2 : \frac{\pi}{2} (W_t' \hat{A}_{j+1} \hat{c}_1)^2 + \dots + \frac{\pi}{2} (W_t' \hat{A}_{j+q+1} \hat{c}_{q+1})^2; E_t u_{1t+j} u_{1t+j+1} : \frac{\pi}{2} (W_t' \hat{A}_{j+2} \hat{c}_1)(W_t' \hat{A}_{j+2} \hat{c}_2) + \dots + \frac{\pi}{2} (W_t' \hat{A}_{j+q+1} \hat{c}_q)(W_t' \hat{A}_{j+q+1} \hat{c}_{q+1}); \dots; E_t u_{1t+j} u_{1t+j+q} : \frac{\pi}{2} (W_t' \hat{A}_{j+q+1} \hat{c}_1)(W_t' \hat{A}_{j+q+1} \hat{c}_{q+1}).$$

#### 4. Approximation error in computing asymptotic variances of optimal estimator

To compute the asymptotic variance of the optimal estimator, we truncated the infinite sum  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^* e_{t-j}$  at lag  $j=100$ , and approximated the optimal variance by that resulting when 101  $g^*$ 's and lagged  $e_t$ 's were used. Analytical arguments and numerical computations about to be detailed were used to bound the difference between the asymptotic variance of the estimates using  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^* e_{t-j}$  and those using 101  $g^*$ 's, for several DGPs. The two variances were invariably within a fraction of a percent of one another. Thus, in our DGPs, the decline in the elements of  $\Psi^*$  (in our DGPs, the second column of  $\Psi^*$  is  $\sigma_e^2 \phi^j$ ) and reversion of the elements of  $S^*$  to their conditionally homoskedastic counterparts (in our DGPs,  $Ee_{t-j}^2 u_t^2 = Ee_t^2 E u_t^2 + c\gamma^j$  for a suitable constant  $c$ ) are sufficiently rapid that terms beyond the hundredth have negligible effect on asymptotic variances. (A clarifying note for those who have read the asymptotic theory presented in section 6 below: as explained below equation (AA6.5), when we compute the  $g^*$ 's from  $S^*$  and  $\Psi^*$  of dimension 101, the result should properly be denoted  $\{g_{j,100}^*\}$  to distinguish it from  $\{g_j^*\}$ . Our calculations do take into account the difference between  $\{g_{j,100}^*\}$  and  $\{g_j^*\}$ , as well as the effects of  $g_j^*$  for  $j \geq 100$ .)

In bounding the approximation error, we do not attempt to establish as tight a bound as possible, but merely to check whether the error is acceptably small. In presenting our formulas, we use certain notation not used elsewhere in the paper or Additional Appendix. We define “ $g_j^*$ ” and “ $g_{ij}^*$ ” to be the scalar second elements of the  $(1 \times 2)$  vectors elsewhere called “ $g_j^*$ ” and “ $g_{j,T}^*$ ”. As stated in the text, we set  $J=101$  in our calculations. Also,  $\sigma^2 \equiv Ee_t^2$ ,  $\lambda_i \equiv Ee_t^2 e_{t-i}^2$ . We consider the case when  $\phi > 0$ ,  $\theta > 0$  and  $\phi \neq \theta$ .

When  $u_t = e_{t+2} - \theta e_{t+1}$ ,  $|\theta| < 1$ , and  $z_t = \phi z_{t-1} + e_t$ , it may be shown that the  $g_j^*$ 's satisfy:

$$(AA4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} g_0^* &= \frac{\sigma^2}{\phi - \theta} \frac{N_0^*}{D_0^*}, \quad N_0^* = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{i-1} (\phi^i - \theta^i)}{\lambda_{i+1}}, \quad D_0^* = 1 + \lambda_1 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{2i}}{\lambda_{i+1}}, \\ g_j^* &= -g_0^* \lambda_1 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{j+2i}}{\lambda_{j+i+1}} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\phi - \theta} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{i-1} (\phi^{j+i} - \theta^{j+i})}{\lambda_{j+i+1}} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\tilde{g}_j^*$  be the  $g_j^*$ -series calculated using (AA4.1), but with infinite sums truncated at  $K-1$  for some  $K > J$ :

$$(AA4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{g}_0^* &= \frac{\sigma^2}{\phi - \theta} \frac{\tilde{N}_0^*}{\tilde{D}_0^*}, \quad \tilde{N}_0^* = \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{\theta^{i-1}(\phi^i - \theta^i)}{\lambda_{i+1}}, \quad \tilde{D}_0^* = 1 + \lambda_1 \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{\theta^{2i}}{\lambda_{i+1}}, \\ \tilde{g}_j^* &= -\tilde{g}_0^* \lambda_1 \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{\theta^{j+2i}}{\lambda_{j+i+1}} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\phi - \theta} \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{\theta^{i-1}(\phi^{j+i} - \theta^{j+i})}{\lambda_{j+i+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $V_j = [\sigma^2 \Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1}$  be the value we compute for the asymptotic variance,  $V = [\sigma^2 \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1}$  the exact value. Our aim is to compute a numerical upper bound to the absolute value of the percentage error in our calculation of the asymptotic variance  $V$ ,

$$(AA4.3) \quad |V_j - V|/V = |[\sigma^2 \Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1} - [\sigma^2 \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1}| / [\sigma^2 \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1} \equiv \Xi[\Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1},$$

$$\Xi \equiv |\Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi) - \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)| \leq$$

$$|\Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi) - \Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^* \Phi)| + |\Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^* \Phi) - \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^* \Phi)| + |\Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^* \Phi) - \Sigma_{j=0}^{\infty}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)| \equiv \Xi_1 + \Xi_2 + \Xi_3.$$

Since  $[\Sigma_{j=0}^{j-1}(\mathbf{g}_j^* \Phi)]^{-1}$  and  $\Xi_1$  may be computed directly, our task is to bound  $\Xi_2$  and  $\Xi_3$  by functions that may be calculated from the parameters of the DGP. Tedious but straightforward algebra may be used to do so. To present the final result, we define the following notation:

$$(AA4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda^* &\equiv \sup_i E e_{\tau-i}^2, \quad \lambda_* \equiv \inf_i E e_{\tau-i}^2, \\ C &\equiv [\lambda_*(1-\phi\theta)(1-\theta^2)]^{-1} \{1 + [(\lambda_*/\lambda^*)\theta^2/(1-\theta^2)]\}^{-1}, \\ A &\equiv C\lambda^*\theta^2/[\lambda_*(1-\theta^2)] - \{\theta/[\lambda_*(1-\theta^2)(\phi-\theta)]\}, \\ B &\equiv \phi/[\lambda_*(1-\phi\theta)(\phi-\theta)], \\ \Lambda &\equiv \sigma^4 \{ [\theta^2]A^2/(1-\theta^2) + [2(\theta\phi)]AB/(1-\phi\theta) + [\phi^2]B^2/(1-\phi^2) \}, \\ M_2 &\equiv \theta^{2K}/[\lambda_*(1-\theta^2)], \\ M_3 &\equiv \{[\theta^{K-1}\phi^K/(1-\phi\theta)] + [\theta^{2K-1}/(1-\theta^2)]\} / \lambda_*, \\ M_1 &\equiv \sigma^2 |\phi-\theta|^{-1} \{ M_3(1 + [\lambda^*\theta^2/\lambda_*(1-\theta^2)]) + M_2(\lambda^*/\lambda_*)[\phi/(1-\phi\theta) + \theta/(1-\theta^2)] \}, \\ M_4 &\equiv \sigma^2 M_2 C \lambda^* + M_1 M_2 \lambda^* + \sigma^2 M_3 |\phi-\theta|^{-1}, \\ M_5 &\equiv \theta^2 M_1 \lambda^* / [\lambda_*(1-\theta^2)]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(AA4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \Xi_2 &\leq [M_4(1-\phi^j)/(1-\phi)] + \{M_5[1-(\phi\theta)^j]/(1-\phi\theta)\}, \\ \Xi_3 &\leq [\Lambda\phi^{2j}/(1-\phi^2)]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$



As stated above, we set  $J=101$  in the results presented in the paper. Some numerical results for two values of  $J$  and several parameter sets, with  $\sigma^2=1$  and  $K=500$  throughout:

1.  $\phi=.9, \theta=.95, \gamma=.9, \gamma_1=.1$ :  $J=100, |V_J-V|/V < 3 \times 10^{-4}$ ;  $J=300, |V_J-V|/V < 3 \times 10^{-13}$ .
2.  $\phi=.9, \theta=.95, \gamma=.9, \gamma_1=.3$ :  $J=100, |V_J-V|/V < 1 \times 10^{-3}$ ;  $J=300, |V_J-V|/V < 8 \times 10^{-13}$ .
3.  $\phi=.5, \theta=.51, \gamma=.9, \gamma_1=.1$ :  $J=100$  and  $J=300, |V_J-V|/V < 4 \times 10^{-16}$ .

### 5. Details on procedures used in the simulations

Each sample was of size  $M+T_{\max}+2$ , where the first  $M$  observations were presample values generated so that the actual data were not directly influenced by initial conditions, and observations  $M+1$  through  $M+T+2$  observations were used in the actual estimation.  $T_{\max}=10,000$ , and  $T=250, 500, 1000$  or  $10,000$ . Thus the results for  $T=250$ , for example, rely on the first 250 observations of the samples used for  $T=500, 1000$  and  $10,000$ . We proceeded as follows:

1. Generate a  $(M+T_{\max}+2) \times 1$  vector of i.i.d.  $N(0,1)$  variables. Call these  $\{\eta_t\}$ ,  $t=1, \dots, M+T+2$ .
2. Set  $\sigma_1^2 = Ee_1^2$ ,  $e_1 = \sigma_1 \eta_1$ . (Here and subsequently,  $\sigma_t > 0$  is the positive square root of  $\sigma_t^2$ .) For  $t=2, \dots, M+T+2$ , set  $\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \gamma_1 e_{t-1}^2 + \gamma_2 \sigma_{t-1}^2$ ,  $e_t = \sigma_t \eta_t$ ,  $z_t = \phi z_{t-1} + e_t - \zeta e_{t-1}$ .
3. For  $t=M+1, \dots, M+T$ , set  $y_t = \beta_0 + z_t \beta_1 + c_2 e_{t+2} + c_1 e_{t+1} = c_2 e_{t+2} + c_1 e_{t+1}$ .

The vector of  $\eta_t$ 's was held fixed across DGPs, though different DGPs of course involved different  $z_t$ 's and  $y_t$ 's.

For convenience in presentation, in the text and in the remainder of this discussion, we renumber the observations used in estimation as  $1, \dots, T+2$ . (rather than  $M+1, \dots, M+T+2$ ).

Some details on how we implemented the proposed estimator,  $\hat{\beta}^* \equiv (\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{Z}_t^* X_t^*)^{-1} (\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{Z}_t^* y_t)$ . We obtained  $\hat{Z}_t^*$  as follows.

(a) Estimate  $\beta$  in (4.1a) ( $t=1$  to  $T$ ) by least squares. Call the residuals  $\hat{u}_t$ , with sample variance  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2$  and first autocorrelation  $\hat{\rho}_u$ . The estimate of the first autocovariance of  $\hat{u}_t$  was:  $\hat{\sigma}_{u,1} = \hat{\rho}_u \hat{\sigma}_u^2$  if  $|\hat{\rho}_u| < .4999$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{u,1} = \text{sgn}(\hat{\rho}_u) (.4999 \hat{\sigma}_u^2)$  if  $|\hat{\rho}_u| \geq .4999$ .

(b) Estimate  $\phi_0, \dots, \phi_4$  in (4.2a) ( $t=5$  to  $T$ ) by least squares. Let  $\hat{e}_t^\dagger$  denote the residual, with sample variance  $\hat{\sigma}_{e_t^\dagger}^2$ .

(c) Estimate (4.2b) with a least squares regression of  $|\hat{e}_t^\dagger|$  on a constant and  $|\hat{e}_{t-1}^\dagger|, \dots, |\hat{e}_{t-4}^\dagger|$ ,  $t=9$  to  $T$ .

The  $j$ -period ahead autoregressive forecast of  $|\hat{e}_{t+j}^\dagger|$  was used as described in part 3 of the Additional Appendix to obtain an estimate of  $Ee_{t+j}^{\dagger 2} e_{t+j}^{\dagger 2}$ . An estimate of the covariance between  $e_{t+j}^{\dagger 2} e_{t+j}^{\dagger 2}$ , call it  $\hat{\lambda}_j$ , was defined as  $\hat{\lambda}_j = \max(0, [\text{estimate of } Ee_{t+j}^{\dagger 2} e_{t+j}^{\dagger 2} - \hat{\sigma}_{e_t^\dagger}^4])$ .

(d) Estimate (4.1b) with a regression of  $\hat{u}_t$  on  $\hat{e}_{t+2}$  and  $\hat{e}_{t+1}$ ,  $t=5, \dots, T-2$ , obtaining  $\hat{c}_1$  and  $\hat{c}_2$ .

(e) As illustrated in equation (2.5),  $\hat{S} \equiv S(\hat{b})$  ( $101 \times 101$ ) involves estimates of  $Ee_{t-j}^2 u_t^2$  and  $Ee_{t-j}^2 u_t u_{t+1}$ . Note that  $Ee_{t-j}^2 u_t^2 = \sigma_e^2 \sigma_u^2 + c_2^2 \text{cov}(e_{t+2}^2, e_{t-j}^2) + c_1^2 \text{cov}(e_{t+1}^2, e_{t-j}^2)$ ,  $Ee_{t-j}^2 u_t u_{t+1} = \sigma_e^2 \sigma_{u,1} + c_1 c_2 \text{cov}(e_{t+2}^2, e_{t-j}^2)$ , and that

these relationships hold even if, as in Table 2B,  $u_t = (c_2 e_{t+2} + c_1 e_{t+1} + \text{conditionally homoskedastic MA}(1)$  term). We constructed  $\hat{S}$  in a fashion robust to the possible presence of such a conditionally

homoskedastic term, by setting  $\hat{S}(j,j) = \hat{\sigma}_{c_1}^2 \hat{\sigma}_u^2 + \hat{c}_2^2 \hat{\lambda}_j + \hat{c}_1^2 \hat{\lambda}_{j-1}$ ,  $j=2, \dots, 101$ ,  $\hat{S}(j,j+1) = \hat{S}(j+1,j) = \hat{\sigma}_{c_1}^2 \hat{\sigma}_{u,1} + \hat{c}_1 \hat{c}_2 \hat{\lambda}_j$ ,  $j=2, \dots, 100$ . We finished constructing  $\hat{S}$  by setting  $\hat{S}(1,1) = \hat{\sigma}_u^2 + 2\hat{\sigma}_{u,1}$ ,  $\hat{S}(1,j) = 0$   $j > 1$ .

(f) Construct  $\hat{\Psi} \equiv \Psi(\hat{b})$  ( $101 \times 2$ ) by setting  $\hat{\Psi}(1,1) = 1$ ,  $\hat{\Psi}(1,2) = \text{sample mean of } z_t$ ,  $\hat{\Psi}(j,1) = 0$   $j > 1$ ,  $\hat{\Psi}(j,2) = \hat{\sigma}_{c_1}^2$  times the  $(j-2)$  weight in moving average representation implied by the step (b) estimates of  $\hat{\phi}_0, \hat{\phi}_1, \dots, \hat{\phi}_4$ .

(g) Compute  $\hat{G} \equiv (\hat{\mu}, \hat{g}_0, \dots, \hat{g}_{100})' = \hat{S}^{-1} \hat{\Psi}$ . Write  $\hat{g}_j = (0, \hat{g}_{2j})'$  (the first element of each  $(2 \times 1)$   $\hat{g}_j$  will be zero by construction).

(h) Set  $\hat{Z}_t^* = \hat{\mu} + (0, \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \hat{g}_{2j} \hat{e}_{t-j}^+)'$ ,  $t=1, \dots, T$ , with  $\hat{e}_{t-j}^+ \equiv 0$  for  $t-j \leq 0$ .

## 6. Formal statement of asymptotic results

This appendix presents a formal statement of our asymptotic results. We derive our results under what we feel are reasonable conditions, without attempting to be as general as possible. We note some limitations and possible extensions in our discussion. Proofs are in an earlier version of this paper.

Notation: For a matrix  $A$ ,  $|A|$  denotes the largest element of  $A$  in absolute value; for  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and a differentiable function  $f: \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}$  denotes the  $(p \times n)$  matrix of first derivatives of  $f$ ;  $\|x\|_1$  denotes 1-norm: for an  $(n \times 1)$  vector  $x$ ,  $\|x\|_1 \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j|$ , for a  $(p \times n)$  matrix  $A$ ,  $\|A\|_1$  is the max column sum,  $\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^p |a_{ij}|$ ;  $b_i$  is the  $i$ 'th element of a  $(m \times 1)$  vector  $b$ . For precise statement of technical conditions and results, on occasion we shall need to add superscripts, subscripts and arguments to matrices that in the paper are left uncluttered. In particular, we add a “\*” superscript and, sometimes, a “T” subscript to the following quantities defined in section 2 of the paper:  $\Psi_T^* \equiv Ee(t)X_t'$ ;  $S_T^* = \sum_{i=-q}^q [Ee(t-i)u_{t-i}u_t e(t)']$ .

Assumption 1: (a)  $\{e_t', u_t, X_t'\}$  is strictly stationary and ergodic, with finite fourth moments and absolutely summable autocovariances. (b)  $E(e_t | e_{t-1}, e_{t-2}, \dots) = 0$ . (c) For some integer  $q \geq 0$ ,  $E(u_t | e_t, e_{t-1}, e_{t-2}, \dots, u_{t-q-1}, u_{t-q-2}, \dots) = 0$ . (d)  $Ee_t e_t'$  is positive definite.

Assumption 2: (a) The class of allowable instruments are ones of the form:

$$(AA6.1) \quad Z_t = \mu + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j e_{t-j},$$

$(k \times 1) \quad (k \times 1) \quad (k \times r) \quad (r \times 1)$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |g_j| < \infty, EZ_t X_t' \text{ of rank } k, \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} E(T^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^T Z_t u_t) (T^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^T Z_t u_t)' \text{ positive definite.}$$

(b) There is an allowable instrument  $Z_t^* \equiv \mu^* + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^* e_{t-j}$  that satisfies

$$(AA6.2) \quad EZ_t X_t' = \sum_{i=-q}^q E(Z_{t-i} u_{t-i} u_t Z_t^{*'})$$

for all allowable  $Z_t$ .

Remark 1: In 1(a), the stationarity assumption is for convenience and concreteness; analogous results could be obtained under mixing conditions. From Assumption 1(b), the  $(r \times 1)$  vector  $e_t$  is a martingale difference sequence; it is the innovation in an observable  $(r \times 1)$  series of basic instruments  $z_t$ . This and subsequent assumptions make no formal reference to  $z_t$  because no explicit reference is necessary.

Assumption 1(c) says that the regression disturbance follows an MA(q) process. Note that 1(c) does not say that the univariate Wold innovation in  $u_t$  is uncorrelated with  $e_t$ , an assumption that will be violated in many applications (Hayashi and Sims (1983)). Assumption 1(d) rules out degeneracies such as including a linear combination of two instruments as a third instrument.

**Remark 2:** In conjunction with Assumption 1, Assumption 2(a) guarantees that  $EZ_t X_t'$  is finite and does not depend on  $t$  and similarly for the limiting variance of  $T^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^T Z_t u_t$ . The additional assumption that  $EZ_t X_t'$  and the limiting variance are of full rank are essentially identification conditions.

**Remark 3:** Assumption 2(b) states that the space of allowable instruments includes an optimal instrument: equation (AA6.2) is Hansen's (1985) optimality condition.

**Remark 4:** It follows that the minimum possible asymptotic variance is

$$(AA6.3) \quad V^* = (EZ_t^* X_t')^{-1} \Omega^* (EX_t Z_t^*)^{-1} = (EZ_t^* X_t')^{-1} = \Omega^{*-1}; \Omega^* \equiv \sum_{i=-q}^q E(Z_{t-i} u_{t-i} u_t Z_t^*)$$

The equality  $EZ_t^* X_t' = \Omega^*$  comes from setting  $Z_t = Z_t^*$  in (AA6.2). Of course, if  $Z_t^*$  is optimal, so is  $CZ_t^*$  for any  $k \times k$  nonsingular nonstochastic matrix  $C$ .

**Remark 5:** Since allowable  $Z_t$ 's are linear in a constant and lagged  $e_t$ 's, (AA6.2) will hold for all allowable  $Z_t$ 's if it holds when  $Z_t$  is replaced by arbitrary  $e_{t-j}$  ( $j \geq 0$ ) or by a constant. After using  $Z_t^* = \mu^* + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n}$ , (AA6.2) is:

$$(AA6.4a) \quad Z_t \text{ replaced by } e_{t-j}: \quad \begin{array}{c} E e_{t-j} X_t' \\ (r \times k) \end{array} = \sum_{i=-q}^q E [e_{t-i} u_{t-i} u_t (\mu^* + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n})'] \begin{array}{c} (r \times 1) \quad (1 \times 1) \quad (k \times 1) \quad (k \times r)(r \times 1) \end{array}$$

$$(AA6.4b) \quad Z_t \text{ replaced by } 1: \quad \begin{array}{c} EX_t' \\ (1 \times k) \end{array} = \sum_{i=-q}^q E [u_{t-i} u_t (\mu^* + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n})'] \begin{array}{c} (1 \times 1) \quad (k \times 1) \quad (k \times r)(r \times 1) \end{array}$$

**Additional notation:** Stack (AA6.4b) and, for  $j=0, \dots, T-1$ , (AA6.4a) into a set of  $T+1$  matrix equations. Let  $G^* = (\mu^*, g_0^*, \dots, g_{T-1}^*)'$ . The result may be written as

$$(AA6.5) \quad \begin{array}{c} \Psi_T^* \\ (1+Tr) \times k \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} S_T^* \\ (1+Tr) \times (1+Tr) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} G^* \\ (1+Tr) \times k \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} R_T^* \\ (1+Tr) \times k \end{array}$$

$$R_T^* = (\sum_{i=-q}^q E [u_{t-i} u_t (\sum_{n=T}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n})], \sum_{i=-q}^q E [(\sum_{n=T}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n}) e_{t-1} u_{t-1}], \dots, \sum_{i=-q}^q E [(\sum_{n=T}^{\infty} g_n^* e_{t-n}) e_{t-T+1-i} u_{t-1-i} u_t])'$$

Let

$$Z_{t,T} = \mu_T^* + \sum_{j=0}^{T-1} g_{j,T}^* e_{t-j}, \quad (\mu_T^*, g_{0,T}^*, \dots, g_{T-1,T}^*)' \equiv G_T^* \equiv S_T^{*-1} \Psi_T^*$$

We model  $S_T^*$  and  $\Psi_T^*$  as smooth functions of a  $m \times 1$  parameter vector “ $b$ ”, and then solve for the weights  $\{g_{j,T}\}$ :

$$(AA6.6) \quad G_T(b) = \begin{matrix} S_T(b)^{-1} & \Psi_T(b), \\ (1+Tr) \times k & (1+Tr) \times (1+Tr) & (1+Tr) \times k \end{matrix}, \quad G_T(b) \equiv (\mu_T, g_{0,T}, \dots, g_{T-1,T})' \begin{matrix} (k \times 1) & (k \times r) & (k \times r) \end{matrix}$$

In (AA6.6) and below, we drop the “\*” to allow for the possibility of misspecification. The feasible estimator uses a sequence of estimates  $\{\hat{b}\}$ , assumed to converge to an  $(m \times 1)$  parameter vector  $b^\dagger$ .

Write

$$(AA6.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{G}_T &\equiv (\hat{\mu}_T, \hat{g}_{0,T}, \dots, \hat{g}_{T-1,T})' = S_T(\hat{b})^{-1} \Psi_T(\hat{b}), \\ \hat{Z}_{t,T} &= \hat{\mu}_T + \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \hat{g}_{j,T} \hat{e}_{t-j}, \quad \hat{\beta} = (\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{Z}_{t,T} X_t')^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{Z}_{t,T} Y_t \end{aligned}$$

where, again, the double subscripting serves as a reminder that the variables in general depend not only on  $\hat{b}$  but also  $T$ . In (AA6.7),  $\hat{e}_{t-j} \equiv e_{t-j}(\hat{b})$  is the residual after a parametric model is fitted to  $z_t$ .

Assumption 3: For some  $b^\dagger \in \mathbf{R}^m$  and some  $\delta > .25$ ,  $T^\delta(\hat{b} - b^\dagger) = O_p(1)$ .

Assumption 4: There is an open neighborhood  $\mathbb{N}$  around  $b^\dagger$  and a scalar positive constant  $c$  such that:

$$(a) S_T(b) \text{ and } \Psi_T(b) \text{ are twice continuously differentiable, and for } i, n = 1, \dots, m \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} S_T(b) \right\|_1 < c, \\ \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \left\| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_n} S_T(b) \right\|_1 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \left\| \Psi_T(b) \right\|_1 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} \Psi_T(b) \right\|_1 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \\ \left\| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_n} \Psi_T(b) \right\|_1 < c.$$

$$(b) \det(S_T(b)) > 0, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \|S_T(b)\|_1 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, T > 0} \|S_T(b)^{-1}\|_1 < c.$$

$$(c) e_t(b) \text{ is twice continuously differentiable in } b, \text{ with the fourth moments of } e_t \text{ and its first and second derivatives uniformly bounded: for } i, n = 1, \dots, m \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, t > 0} E |e_t(b)|^4 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, t > 0} E \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} e_t(b) \right|^4 < c, \sup_{b \in \mathbb{N}, t > 0} E \left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_n} e_t(b) \right|^4 < c.$$

$$(d) e_t(b) \text{ is a measurable function of } \{e_{t-j} | j \geq 0\}, \text{ as are } \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} e_t(b) - E \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} e_t(b) \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_n} e_t(b) - E \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_n} e_t(b) \text{ for } i, n = 1, \dots, m.$$

Remark 6: Assumption 3 says that the sequence  $\{\hat{b}\}$  converges to  $b^\dagger$ . The rate of convergence will be  $\delta = 1/2$  in most applications. Note that we have not assumed that  $S_T^* = S_T(b^\dagger)$ ,  $\Psi_T^* = \Psi_T(b^\dagger)$ , or  $e_t(b^\dagger) = e_t$ , nor

even that one can recover  $e_t$  from an observable series  $z_t$  with a finite dimensional parameter vector: we allow misspecification of the process generating the data. Since moments of  $u_t$  figure into  $S_T$ , this will generally require a  $\{\hat{u}_t\}$  series constructed using a  $T^\delta$  consistent estimator of  $\beta$ .

**Remark 7:** Assumption 4 suffices to insure that  $G_T(b) \equiv S_T(b)^{-1} \Psi_T(b)$  is smooth enough to allow us to apply a mean value argument around  $b=b^\dagger$ . It is satisfied by standard ARMA and GARCH models, apart from those with unit moving average roots.

**Theorem 1:** Suppose that for all  $T$ ,  $S_T(b^\dagger) = S_T^*$ ,  $\Psi_T(b^\dagger) = \Psi_T^*$ ,  $e_t(b^\dagger) = e_t$ . Then under assumptions 1-4,  $\sqrt{T}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \sim_A N(0, V^*)$ , for  $V^*$  defined in (AA6.3); as well,  $V^* = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} (\Psi_T^* S_T^{*-1} \Psi_T^*)^{-1}$ .

**Remark 8:** Theorem 1 states that if the specification is correct, the estimator obtains the efficiency bound. The theorem of course follows as well if  $S_T(b^\dagger)$  and  $\Psi_T(b^\dagger)$  differ from  $S_T^*$  and  $\Psi_T^*$  by a quantity that goes to zero at a sufficiently fast rate.

**Remark 9:** Note that nothing explicit has been said about  $R_T^*$  (defined in (AA6.5)); the assumptions made so far are sufficient to guarantee that weights derived from an estimate of  $S_T^{*-1} \Psi_T^*$  are asymptotically equivalent to those from  $S_T^{*-1} \Psi_T^* S_T^{*-1} R_T^*$ .

**Remark 10:** The natural estimator of  $V^*$  is  $(\hat{\Psi}_T^* \hat{S}_T^{*-1} \hat{\Psi}_T^*)^{-1}$ .

**Assumption 5:**  $Z_{t,T}(b^\dagger)$  may be written as  $Z_{t,T}(b^\dagger) = \overset{\circ}{\mu}_T(b^\dagger) + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overset{\circ}{g}_{j,T}(b^\dagger) e_{t-j}$  for  $(k \times 1)$   $\overset{\circ}{\mu}_T$  and  $(k \times r)$   $\{\overset{\circ}{g}_{j,T}\}$  that satisfy: (a) for all  $T$ ,  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\overset{\circ}{g}_{j,T}(b^\dagger)| < c < \infty$  for some finite constant  $c$ ; (b) there is an allowable instrument

$$Z_t^\dagger = \mu^\dagger + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^\dagger e_{t-j} \text{ with } \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \overset{\circ}{\mu}_T(b^\dagger) = \mu^\dagger \text{ and } \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{T-1} |\overset{\circ}{g}_{j,T}(b^\dagger) - g_j^\dagger| = 0.$$

**Remark 11:** Since we have already defined  $Z_{t,T}(b^\dagger) = \mu_T(b^\dagger) + \sum_{j=0}^{T-1} g_{j,T}(b^\dagger) e_{t-j}$  (note the upper bound here is  $T-1$ , in the Assumption 5 distributed lag on  $e_{t-j}$  is infinity), Assumption 5 essentially states that one can write  $e_t(b^\dagger)$  as a (possibly) infinite order distributed lag on  $e_t$ . This holds when the parametric model for  $z_t$  is an ARMA model.

**Theorem 2:** Under assumptions 1-5: (a)  $\sqrt{T}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \sim_A N(0, V)$ ,  $V = (EZ_t^\dagger X_t^\dagger)^{-1} \Omega (EX_t^\dagger Z_t^\dagger)^{-1}$ ,  $\Omega = \sum_{i=-q}^q EZ_{t-i}^\dagger u_{t-i} u_t Z_{t-i}^\dagger$ ; (b)  $V - V^*$  is positive semidefinite.

Remark 12: The natural estimator of  $EZ_t^+X_t'$  is  $T^{-1}\sum_{t=1}^T\hat{Z}_{t,T}X_t'$ .  $\Omega$  may be estimated in a variety of familiar ways (e.g., Andrews (1991), Newey and West (1994), den Haan and Levin (1996)).

Remark 13: It may be shown that if the parametric specification is correct, as in Theorem 1, assumption 5 follows from previous assumptions, with  $\overset{\circ}{g}_{j,T}=g_{j,T}^*$  ( $g_{j,T}^*=0$  for  $j \geq T$ ) and  $g_j^{\dagger}=g_j^*$ . So under correct specification, Theorems 1 and 2 make the same statement.



## 7. Some worked out examples

The examples in subsections (a) and (b) are intended in part to make concrete the form of the instrument, in part to illustrate that the optimal instrument typically puts nonzero weight on all lags. Subsection (a) derives the population form of the optimal instrument  $Z_t^*$  for a univariate AR(1) with a conditionally heteroskedastic disturbance. This will serve as well to illustrate that our approach has potential benefits even in the absence of serial correlation. Subsection (b) derives the population form of the optimal instrument  $Z_t^*$  in a conditionally homoskedastic special case of the DGP used in the simulations. This will serve as well to allow us to illustrate that in conditionally homoskedastic environments our estimator is asymptotically the same as that of West and Wilcox (1996). Subsection (c) shows how the DGP used in the simulations is an example of a forecasting application. This is intended to help motivate that DGP. In all three examples we suppress constant terms throughout.

(a) Univariate AR(1): Suppose we are interested in estimating  $\beta$  in an AR(1) model with an innovation that is a conditionally heteroskedastic martingale difference sequence:

$$(AA7.1) \quad y_t = \beta y_{t-1} + u_t, \quad |\beta| < 1, \quad E u_t = 0, \quad E u_t^2 = 1, \\ E[u_t | u_{t-1}, u_{t-2}, \dots] = 0, \quad E[u_t^2 u_{t-j}^2] = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j,$$

$$(AA7.2) \quad E[u_t^2 | u_{t-1}, u_{t-2}, \dots] \neq E u_t^2.$$

Conditional heteroskedasticity is stated in abstract form in (AA7.2). We have here an uninteresting special case of (2.1)—uninteresting because weighted least squares, or maximum likelihood, would be computationally straightforward and the additional specification required relative to our estimator is in practice unlikely to be questionable. We use this example because it is particularly simple.

This example may be mapped into the notation of (2.1) by setting  $X_t = z_t = y_{t-1}$ ,  $e_t = u_{t-1}$ . To facilitate reference to (AA7.1), we do not work in terms of  $z$  or  $e$  but instead stick to  $y$  and  $u$ . In this notation, then, the matrix  $S$  is diagonal with  $j$ 'th diagonal element  $E u_{t-j}^2 u_t^2$ ; the vector  $\Psi$  has  $j$ 'th element  $E u_{t-j} y_{t-1}$  ( $= \beta^{j-1}$ ):

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} E u_{t-1}^2 u_t^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E u_{t-2}^2 u_t^2 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & E u_{t-T+1}^2 u_t^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & E u_{t-T}^2 u_t^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} (Eu_{t-1}y_{t-1}) \\ (Eu_{t-2}y_{t-1}) \\ \dots \\ (Eu_{t-j}y_{t-1}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then for given  $T$  one can solve explicitly for the instrument  $\Psi'S^{-1}$ . In the limit, as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$(AA7.3) \quad Z_t^* = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [(Eu_{t-j}y_{t-1})u_{t-j}/E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2] = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [\beta^{j-1}u_{t-j}/E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2].$$

In  $u_t$  were conditionally homoskedastic (i.e, if we replace (AA7.2) with the condition  $E[\mathcal{U}_t^2 | u_{t-1}, u_{t-2}, \dots] = E\mathcal{U}_t^2$ ), then  $E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2 = E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2E\mathcal{U}_t^2 = 1 \Rightarrow Z_t^* = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^{j-1}u_{t-j}$ . But  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^{j-1}u_{t-j} = y_{t-1}$ . So if  $u_t$  were conditionally homoskedastic,  $Z_t^* = y_{t-1}$ . That is, an unnecessarily tedious argument has been used to show that in the model (AA7.1), with the additional condition that  $u_t$  is conditionally homoskedastic, the best instrumental variables estimator is least squares. (To prevent confusion, we note that this argument also holds when we allow the variance of  $u_t$  to be something other than unity, say  $E\mathcal{U}_t^2 = \sigma^2$ , upon noting that IV estimation with  $Z_t^* = (1/\sigma^4)y_{t-1}$  is numerically identical to IV estimation with  $Z_t^* = y_{t-1}$ .)

But given conditional heteroskedasticity, least squares is no longer the optimal IV estimator. In constructing  $Z_t^*$ , one weights the innovations not only by  $\beta^{j-1}$ , but also (inversely) by  $E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2$ . The specific model for conditional heteroskedasticity considered in Broze et al. (2001) is  $u_t = \epsilon_t \epsilon_{t-1}$  for an i.i.d. (0,1) r.v.  $\epsilon_t$ . In this case,  $E\mathcal{U}_{t-1}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2 = E\epsilon_t^2\epsilon_{t-1}^4\epsilon_{t-2}^2 = E\epsilon_t^2E\epsilon_{t-1}^4E\epsilon_{t-2}^2 = E\epsilon_{t-1}^4 > 1$ , while  $E\mathcal{U}_{t-j}^2\mathcal{U}_t^2 = 1$  for  $j > 1$ .

Then

$$Z_t^* = u_{t-1}/E\epsilon_{t-1}^4 + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \beta^{j-1}u_{t-j}.$$

Alternatively, if  $u_t \sim \text{ARCH}(1)$ ,  $E[\mathcal{U}_t^2 | u_{t-1}, u_{t-2}, \dots] = \omega + \alpha\mathcal{U}_{t-1}^2$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $\omega = 1 - \alpha$  (this conditions insures the simplification  $E\mathcal{U}_t^2 = 1$ ), then

$$Z_t^* = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [\beta^{j-1}u_{t-j}/(1 - \alpha^j + \alpha^j E\mathcal{U}_t^4)].$$

Observe that all lags of  $u_t$  receive nonzero weight in  $Z_t^*$ , a result that also carries over if we rewrite  $Z_t^*$  as a distributed lag on past  $y_t$ 's.

(b)Conditionally homoskedastic special case of the DGP used in the simulations.

Let consider the form of the optimal estimator when the model is:

$$(AA7.4) \quad y_t = z_t \beta + u_t, \quad u_t = e_{t+2} - \theta e_{t+1}, \quad |\theta| < 1,$$

$$(AA7.5) \quad z_t = \phi z_{t-1} + e_t, \quad |\phi| < 1,$$

$$(AA7.6) \quad e_t \sim \text{i.i.d. } (0,1).$$

We first use the approach of the present paper to solve for the sequence  $\{g_j^*\}$  such that  $Z_t^* = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^* e_{t-j}$ . Then we use the approach of West and Wilcox (1996) to solve for the sequence  $\{g_j^*\}$ . Then we show that the two are identical.

The approach of the present paper: As in (2.5),  $S$  is tridiagonal. Under the assumptions of conditional homoskedasticity and unit variance for  $e_t$ , the diagonal elements are  $E e_{t-j}^2 \mathcal{M}_t^2 = E e_{t-j}^2 E \mathcal{M}_t^2 = E \mathcal{M}_t^2 = 1 + \theta^2$ , while the off-diagonal elements are  $E e_{t-j}^2 u_{t+1} u_t = E e_{t-j}^2 E u_{t+1} u_t = E u_{t+1} u_t = -\theta$ . As for  $\Psi$ , since  $E e_{t-j} z_t = \phi^j$ , the  $j$ 'th element of  $\Psi$  is  $\phi^{j-1}$ :

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} (1+\theta^2) & -\theta & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & ) \\ (-\theta & 1+\theta^2 & -\theta & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & ) \\ (0 & -\theta & 1+\theta^2 & -\theta & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & ) \\ (... & & & & & & & & ) \\ (0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -\theta & 1+\theta^2 & -\theta & ) \\ (0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -\theta & 1+\theta^2 & ) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} (1 & ) \\ (\phi & ) \\ (... & ) \\ (\phi^{T-1} & ) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $Z_t^*$  results in the limit as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  of  $\Psi' S^{-1} e(t)$ , we have the following: the sequence  $\{g_j^*\}$  satisfies the difference equation

$$(AA7.7) \quad -\theta g_{j+1}^* + (1+\theta^2) g_j^* - \theta g_{j-1}^* = \phi^j, \quad j=0,1,2, \dots$$

We solve (AA7.7) subject to the initial condition  $g_{-1}^* = 0$  and the terminal condition  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} g_j^* = 0$ . The unique solution is

$$(AA7.8) \quad g_j^* = \theta g_{j-1}^* + \phi^j (1-\theta\phi)^{-1}, \quad j=0,1,2, \dots; \quad g_{-1}^* = 0.$$

Thus,  $g_0^* = (1-\theta\phi)^{-1}$ ,  $g_1^* = (\theta + \phi)(1-\theta\phi)^{-1}$ , etc.

The approach of West and Wilcox (1996): Here we apply equation (2.10) in West and Wilcox. To translate the notation of equation (2.10) in West and Wilcox (1996) into the notation of the present paper:  $\theta_1 \rightarrow \theta$ ,  $\theta_2 = 0$ ,  $P^* = 1$ ,  $F^* = \phi$ ,  $R_t^* = z_t$ . Then equation (2.10) in West and Wilcox gives

$$(AA7.9) \quad Z_t^* = \theta Z_{t-1}^* + (1-\theta\phi)^{-1} z_t$$

With some straightforward algebra it may be verified that  $Z_t^*$  defined in (AA7.9) satisfies  $Z_t^* = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j^* e_{t-j}$  for  $\{g_j^*\}$  defined in (AA7.8).

In a conditionally homoskedastic environment, the feasible procedure described here is asymptotically equivalent to the procedure described in West and Wilcox (1996) (provided, of course, that the approximating parametric models are the same asymptotically). In our view, in a conditionally homoskedastic environment, the West and Wilcox (1996) procedure will usually be computationally simpler.

Observe once again that the optimal instrument puts nonzero weight on all lags of  $e_t$  (from (AA7.7),  $g_j^* \neq 0$  for all  $j$ ) and on all lags of  $z_t$  (from (AA7.9),  $Z_t^* = (1 - \theta\phi)^{-1} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \theta^j z_{t-j}$ ).

### (c) The DGP in the simulations as an example of a forecasting application

Suppose that there is a variable  $w_t$  that evolves according to

$$(AA7.10) \quad w_t = \phi w_{t-1} + \epsilon_{1t} + \epsilon_{2t-1},$$

where  $\epsilon_{1t}$  and  $\epsilon_{2t}$  are martingale difference sequences that are independent at all leads and lags. Suppose further than in forming expectations of future  $w$ 's, private agents see both  $\epsilon_{1t}$  and  $\epsilon_{2t}$ , while the economist sees only  $w_t$  and thus cannot distinguish between  $\epsilon_{1t}$  and  $\epsilon_{2t}$ . This is the simplest possible parameterization of the presumption that private agents have information available for forecasting that is not available to econometricians.

Then  $E(w_{t+2} | \epsilon_{1t}, \epsilon_{2t}, \epsilon_{1t-1}, \epsilon_{2t-2}, \dots)$ —i.e., the two period ahead private agent forecast of  $w_t$ —is readily seen to be  $\phi^2 w_t + \phi \epsilon_{2t}$ . In a typical forecasting application, we have a time series on the realization and on the forecast. Let

$$(AA7.11) \quad y_t = w_{t+2}, \quad z_t = \text{forecast} = \phi^2 w_t + \phi \epsilon_{2t}.$$

Then we have

$$(AA7.12) \quad y_t = z_t \beta_1 + u_t, \\ z_t = \phi z_{t-1} + e_t,$$

where  $\beta_1 = 1$  and

$$(AA7.13) \quad e_t \equiv \phi^2 \epsilon_{1t} + \phi \epsilon_{2t}, \quad u_t = c_2 e_{t+2} + c_1 e_{t+1} + v_{t+2}, \\ c_2 e_{t+2} \equiv E(\epsilon_{1t+2} | e_{t+2}), \quad c_1 = 1/\phi, \quad v_{t+2} = \epsilon_{1t+2} - E(\epsilon_{1t+2} | e_{t+2}).$$

### 8. Some details on maximum likelihood calculations

This section presents some algebraic details on the ML calculations.

Without loss of generality, we drop the constant term in (3.1a), relabel  $\beta_1$  as  $\beta$ , and write (3.1a),

(3.1b) as

$$(AA8.1) \quad e_t = y_{t-2} - \beta z_{t-2} + \theta e_{t-1},$$

$$e_t | t-1 \sim N(0, \sigma_t^2 \equiv \omega + \gamma_1 e_{t-1}^2 + \gamma_2 \sigma_{t-1}^2).$$

We define the (5×1) parameter vector of interest as

$$(AA8.2) \quad \zeta \equiv (\beta, \theta, \omega, \gamma_1, \gamma_2)'$$

Apart from a constant, the log likelihood for one observation is  $\ell_t = -0.5[\log \sigma_t^2 + (e_t^2/\sigma_t^2)]$ . The object of interest is the asymptotic variance of the ML estimator of  $\beta$ . This is the (1,1) element of the expectation of the inverse of the outer product of the score, i.e., the (1,1) element of the inverse of  $E(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)'$ .

To obtain this quantity we proceed as follows. (1) For  $M=10,000$  and  $T=990,000$ , we generate a time series of data of length  $M+T$ , setting the initial values of certain quantities to zero. (2) Use that time series to generate a time series of observations on the score, again setting the initial values of certain quantities to zero. (3) Discard the initial  $M$  observations. (4) Estimate  $E(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)'$  as the average of the remaining  $T$  (non-discarded) observations, setting to zero terms with expectation zero. (5) Report the (1,1) value of the inverse of the estimate of  $E(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)(\partial \ell_t / \partial \zeta)'$ .

Specifically, in step (1) we initialize  $e_0 = z_0 = z_{-1} = \sigma_0 = 0$  and then generate data recursively via

$$(AA8.3) \quad \sigma_t^2 = \omega + \gamma_1 e_{t-1}^2 + \gamma_2 \sigma_{t-1}^2, \quad e_t = \sigma_t \eta_t, \quad \eta_t \sim \text{i.i.d.} N(0,1), \quad z_t = \phi z_{t-1} + e_t.$$

In step (2) we initialize  $\partial e_0 / \partial \beta = \partial e_0 / \partial \theta = \partial \sigma_0^2 / \partial \beta = \partial \sigma_0^2 / \partial \theta = \partial \sigma_0^2 / \partial \gamma_1 = \partial \sigma_0^2 / \partial \gamma_2 = 0$  and then generate data recursively via

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial e_t}{\partial \beta} &= -z_{t-2} + \theta \frac{\partial e_{t-1}}{\partial \beta} \\
\frac{\partial e_t}{\partial \theta} &= e_{t-1} + \theta \frac{\partial e_{t-1}}{\partial \theta} \\
\frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \beta} &= 2\gamma_1 e_{t-1} \frac{\partial e_{t-1}}{\partial \beta} + \gamma_2 \frac{\partial \sigma_{t-1}^2}{\partial \beta} \\
\frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \theta} &= 2\gamma_1 e_{t-1} \frac{\partial e_{t-1}}{\partial \theta} + \gamma_2 \frac{\partial \sigma_{t-1}^2}{\partial \theta} \\
\frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \omega} &= 1 + \gamma_2 \frac{\partial \sigma_{t-1}^2}{\partial \omega} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \omega} = \frac{1}{1 - \gamma_2} \\
\frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \gamma_1} &= e_{t-1}^2 + \gamma_2 \frac{\partial \sigma_{t-1}^2}{\partial \gamma_1} \\
\frac{\partial \sigma_t^2}{\partial \gamma_2} &= \sigma_{t-1}^2 + \gamma_2 \frac{\partial \sigma_{t-1}^2}{\partial \gamma_2}
\end{aligned}$$