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## Abstract

These codes presented three functions for calculating three important estimators in dynamic panel data (DPD) models; these estimators are Arellano-Bond (1991), Arellano-Bover (1995), and Blundell-Bond (1998). All functions here need to the following variables: yit\_1: dependent variable for DPD model; phi: the value of autoregressive coefficient; D.T\_D.T: first-difference operator matrix of Arellano-Bond estimator; HD: instrumental variables of Arellano-Bond estimator; HL: instrumental variables of Arellano-Bover estimator; W: weighting matrix of Blundell-Bond estimator; HS: instrumental variables of Blundell-Bond estimator. Also, they need to the following R libraries: simex; plm; dlm. For more details about the theoretical bases and the developments of that estimators, see, e.g., Youssef *et al.* (2014a,b) and Youssef and Abonazel (2015). Moreover, these codes have been designed to enable the user to make a simulation study in this topic, such as the simulation study in Youssef et al. (2014b).

*Keywords:* Dynamic panel data models; Generalized method of moments (GMM); Monte Carlo simulation; Two-step GMM estimations.

## 1. R-Code to Calculate Arellano-Bond Estimator

```
Arellano.Bond<- function (yit_1, phi , D.T_D.T, HD)
{
N<-ncol(yit_1)
T<-nrow(yit_1)
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\* These codes have been recorded in Appendix C in my Ph.D. thesis (Abonazel, 2014).

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##### calculate Δy
delta_y<- apply(yit_1 [(2:T),],2,diff) ; dim(delta_y)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
delta_y_1<- apply(yit_1 [(1:T-1),],2,diff) ; dim(delta_y_1)<-c((T-2)*N,1)

##### calculate D using my function
D<- kronecker (diag(1,N), D.T_D.T )

##### calculate A
AD1<- t(HD) %*% D %*% HD
##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (1)
part1<- ginv (t(delta_y_1) %*% HD %*% ginv(AD1) %*% t(HD) %*% delta_y_1)
part2<- t(delta_y_1) %*% HD %*% ginv(AD1) %*% t(HD) %*% delta_y
phi.hat.step1<- part1 %*% part2
dim(phi.hat.step1)<- NULL
Bias.ABond.step1 <- phi.hat.step1 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.step1<- (Bias.ABond.step1 ^2)
SE.phi.hat.step1<- sqrt (diag(part1))
phi.hat.Square.step1<- (phi.hat.step1^2)

##### step 2
##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (2)
##### calculate residual u.hat
delta_y<- apply(yit_1 [(2:T),],2,diff)
delta_y_1<- apply(yit_1 [(1:T-1),],2,diff)
delta_yit.hat <- phi.hat.step1* delta_y_1

##### calculate Δ u.hat
delta_u.hat.i <- delta_y - delta_yit.hat

##### calculate sigma.2.epsilon.hat for weight BB estimator
sum_delta_u.hat <- sum(delta_u.hat.i^2)
sigma.2.epsilon.hat <- sum_delta_u.hat/(2*N*(T-2))
f<-matrix (0,nrow= N+1,ncol=1)
for (j in 1 : N) f[j+1,1]<- j* (T-2)
A_sum<-0
for (j in 1 : N){
  A_sum<- A_sum + ( t(HD[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]) %*% delta_u.hat.i[,j] %*% t(
    delta_u.hat.i[,j]) %*% (HD[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]) )
}
AD2<- A_sum

##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step 2
dim(delta_y)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
dim(delta_y_1)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
part1_step2<- ginv (t(delta_y_1) %*% HD %*% ginv(AD2) %*% t(HD) %*% delta_y_1)
part2_step2<- t(delta_y_1) %*% HD %*% ginv(AD2) %*% t(HD) %*% delta_y
phi.hat.step2<- part1_step2 %*% part2_step2
dim(phi.hat.step2)<- NULL
Bias.ABond.step2 <- phi.hat.step2 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.step2<- Bias.ABond.step2 ^2

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SE.phi.hat.step2<- sqrt (diag(part1_step2))
phi.hat.Square.step2<- phi.hat.step2^2

##### the function results
values_step2 <- list(phi.hat.step2=phi.hat.step2, Bias.ABond.step2= Bias.ABond.step2,
Bias.Square.phi.hat.step2= Bias.Square.phi.hat.step2,
SE.phi.hat.step2 = SE.phi.hat.step2, phi.hat.Square.step2= phi.hat.Square.step2,
sigma.2.epsilon.hat = sigma.2.epsilon.hat)
values_step1 <- list(phi.hat.step1=phi.hat.step1, Bias.ABond.step1= Bias.ABond.step1,
Bias.Square.phi.hat.step1= Bias.Square.phi.hat.step1,
SE.phi.hat.step1 = SE.phi.hat.step1, phi.hat.Square.step1= phi.hat.Square.step1 )
result<-list(values_step1=values_step1,values_step2=values_step2)
return(result) }

```

## 2. R-Code to Calculate Arellano-Bover Estimator

```

Arellano.Bover <- function (yit_1, phi , HL){
N<-ncol(yit_1)
T<-nrow(yit_1)
delta_y_1<- apply(yit_1 [(1:T-1),],2,diff)

##### calculate y_1 and y
y_1<- yit_1 [(2:(T-1)),] ; dim(y_1)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
y<- yit_1 [(3:T),] ; dim(y)<-c((T-2)*N,1)

##### calculate AL1
AL1<- t(HL) %*% HL

##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (1)
part1_Bover_step1<- ginv (t(y_1) %*% HL %*% ginv(AL1) %*% t(HL) %*% y_1)
part2_Bover_step1<- t(y_1) %*% HL %*% ginv(AL1) %*% t(HL) %*% y
phi.hat.Bover.step1<- part1_Bover_step1 %*% part2_Bover_step1
dim(phi.hat.Bover.step1)<- NULL
Bias.ABover.step1 <- phi.hat.Bover.step1 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step1<- Bias.ABover.step1^2
SE.phi.hat.Bover.step1<- sqrt (diag(part1_Bover_step1))
phi.hat.Square.Bover.step1<- phi.hat.Bover.step1^2

##### step 2
##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (2)
y_1<- yit_1 [(2:(T-1)),]
y<- yit_1 [(3:T),]
yit.hat_Bover <- phi.hat.Bover.step1 * y_1
u.hat.i_Bover <- y - yit.hat_Bover

##### calculate AL2
f<-matrix (0,nrow= N+1,ncol=1)
for (j in 1 : N) f[j+1,1]<- j* (T-2)
AL2<-0 ; for (j in 1 : N){

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AL2<- AL2 + ( t(HL[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]) %*% u.hat.i_Bover [,j] %*% t(
u.hat.i_Bover [,j]) %*% (HL[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]) ) }

##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (2)
dim(y_1)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
dim(y)<-c((T-2)*N,1)
part1_Bover_step2<- ginv (t(y_1) %*% HL %*% ginv(AL2) %*% t(HL) %*% y_1)
part2_Bover_step2<- t(y_1) %*% HL %*% ginv(AL2) %*% t(HL) %*% y
phi.hat.Bover.step2<- part1_Bover_step2 %*% part2_Bover_step2
dim(phi.hat.Bover.step2)<- NULL
Bias.ABover.step2 <- phi.hat.Bover.step2 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step2<- Bias.ABover.step2^2
SE.phi.hat.Bover.step2<- sqrt (diag(part1_Bover_step2))
phi.hat.Square.Bover.step2<- phi.hat.Bover.step2^2

##### the function results
values_step2 <- list(phi.hat.Bover.step2= phi.hat.Bover.step2, Bias.ABover.step2 =
Bias.ABover.step2, Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step2= Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step2,
SE.phi.hat.Bover.step2= SE.phi.hat.Bover.step2, phi.hat.Square.Bover.step2=
phi.hat.Square.Bover.step2)
values_step1 <- list(phi.hat.Bover.step1= phi.hat.Bover.step1, Bias.ABover.step1 =
Bias.ABover.step1, Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step1= Bias.Square.phi.hat.Bover.step1,
SE.phi.hat.Bover.step1= SE.phi.hat.Bover.step1, phi.hat.Square.Bover.step1=
phi.hat.Square.Bover.step1)
result<-list(values_step1=values_step1,values_step2=values_step2)
return(result)}

```

### 3. R-Code to Calculate Blundell-Bond Estimator

```

BB <- function (yit_1, phi , W= "G" , D.T_D.T, HD,HL,HS){
N<-ncol(yit_1)
T<-nrow(yit_1)

##### calculate y_s and y_s_1
y<- yit_1 [(3:T),]
y_1<- yit_1 [(2:(T-1)),]
delta_y_1<- apply(yit_1 [(1:T-1),],2,diff)
delta_y<- apply(yit_1 [(2:T),],2,diff) ;
y_s <- rbind(delta_y,y) ; dim(y_s)<-c( 2*(T-2)*N,1)
y_s_1<- rbind(delta_y_1,y_1) ; dim(y_s_1)<-c(2*(T-2)*N,1)

##### calculate G
G_T<- bdiag (D.T_D.T , diag(1,T-2))
G<- kronecker(diag(1,N), G_T)

##### calculate AS1
AS1<- t(HS) %*% G%*% HS

##### Case of I
if (W=="I") AS1<- t(HS) %*% HS

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#####calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (1)
part1_BB_step1<- ginv (t(y_s_1) %*% HS %*% ginv(AS1) %*% t(HS) %*% y_s_1)
part2_BB_step1<- t(y_s_1) %*% HS %*% ginv(AS1) %*% t(HS) %*% y_s
phi.hat.BB.step1<- part1_BB_step1 %*% part2_BB_step1
dim(phi.hat.BB.step1)<- NULL
Bias.BB.step1 <- phi.hat.BB.step1 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step1<- Bias.BB.step1^2

##### step 2
##### calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (2)
##### calculate residual u.hat.i_S
y_s <- rbind(delta_y,y)
y_s_1<- rbind(delta_y_1,y_1)
yit.hat_BB <- phi.hat.BB.step1 * y_s_1
u.hat.i_S<- y_s - yit.hat_BB

#####calculate sigma.2.mu.hat for weight BB estimator
delta_u.hat.i_BB <- u.hat.i_S[1:(T-2),]
u.hat.i_BB <- u.hat.i_S[(T-1): (2*(T-2)),]
sum_UU<-0
for (i in 1:N) {
sum_UU <- sum_UU + sum(u.hat.i_BB [i]^2) - (sum( delta_u.hat.i_BB [i]^2)/2) }
sigma.2.mu.hat<- sum_UU/(N*(T-2))
f<-matrix (0,nrow= N+1,ncol=1)
for (j in 1 : N) f[j+1,1]<- j* (T-2)

##### calculate AS2
hs_list<-list() ; AS2<-0
for (j in 1 : N){
hs_list [[1]]<- HD[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]
hs_list [[2]]<- HL[(f[j,1]+1) : f[j+1,1],]
HSi <-diag.block (hs_list)

AS2<- AS2 + ( t(HSi) %*% u.hat.i_S [,j] %*% t( u.hat.i_S [,j]) %*% HSi )
}

#####calculate  $\hat{\phi}$  step (2)
dim(y_s_1)<-c(2*(T-2)*N,1)
dim(y_s)<-c( 2*(T-2)*N,1)
part1_BB_step2<- ginv (t(y_s_1) %*% HS %*% ginv(AS2) %*% t(HS) %*% y_s_1)
part2_BB_step2<- t(y_s_1) %*% HS %*% ginv(AS2) %*% t(HS) %*% y_s
phi.hat.BB.step2<- part1_BB_step2 %*% part2_BB_step2
dim(phi.hat.BB.step2)<- NULL
Bias.BB.step2 <- phi.hat.BB.step2 - phi
Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step2<- Bias.BB.step2^2

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##### the function results

```

values_step2 <- list(phi.hat.BB.step2= phi.hat.BB.step2, Bias.BB.step2 = Bias.BB.step2,
Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step2= Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step2,
sigma.2.mu.hat = sigma.2.mu.hat )
values_step1 <- list(phi.hat.BB.step1= phi.hat.BB.step1, Bias.BB.step1 = Bias.BB.step1,
Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step1= Bias.Square.phi.hat.BB.step1)
result<-list(values_step1=values_step1,values_step2=values_step2)
return(result) }

```

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