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Econometric Analysis of Financial Markets

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This is an advanced course, concentrating on the application of econometric methods in the study of financial markets. The vast majority of the methods involve time series data and we will not consider cross section nor Panel data methods at all except in passing. I will however spend sometime on point processes when covering high frequency methods. An outline of topics follows although we will not have sufficient time to complete all and what we cover will be determined once I see how fast we can move and your own tastes. I would prefer that we consider a few important topics in detail rather a larger number superficially. In contrast to previous years I intend to spend more time covering basic econometric theory and methods before turning to look at topics in Financial Econometrics. I will leave you to learn R or SPLUS by yourself but will expect that you have the ability to carry out the assessment in one of these languages. We will also consider the Bayesian Package WINBUGS when looking at MCMC methods and the estimation of Stochastic Volatility models. WINBUGS and R are both open source packages and freely available on the web from various servers.

Each topic/lecture will have some required reading and a number of optional references; the recommended reading is indicated in bold. My lecture notes are the basis of a book I have been writing for Cambridge University Press and are in various stages of completion and will be supplied as we go along. All the relevant reading should have been included on the course CD. A course web-site will be set up where you will be able to download supplementary material and data sets. It is critical to the learning process that the issues and techniques covered in the course are also applied and you can get SPLUS 7 and the Financial Econometrics Module for SPLUS from the Computer services store given Warwick has a site licence. I hope to carry out a number of applied exercises to back up the theory and I would expect you to be fairly fluent in using SPLUS or R by the fourth week. I am happy to be contacted by email whenever you feel the need.

Assessment for the course will be by a piece of empirical work which will be carried out during the summer term.

Basic Econometric references for the course are:

Christian Gourieroux and Alain Monfort, <u>Statistics and Econometric Models</u>, volumes 1 and 2, Cambridge University Press.

- Christian Gourieroux and Alain Monfort, <u>Simulation Based Econometric Methods</u>, Oxford University Press
- Amemiya Takeshi, Advanced Econometrics, Harvard University Press.

Russell Davidson and James MacKinnon, <u>Estimation and Inference in Econometrics</u>, Oxford University Press

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Apart from my own notes there are several texts that cover some of the Financial Econometrics material that we will need to look at and these are;

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COURSE OUTLINE

1: A Review of Econometric Theory and Tools of Inference

- i. Basic Concepts; Stochastic processes, time series, basic distribution theory, Misspecification and The Econometric Model Building Process and the appropriate selection of statistical tools. The Least squares Estimator in a misspecified model- what are the econometric issues?
- ii. Identification Theory
- iii. Exogeneity, Ancillarity, Sufficiency and Efficiency
- iv. Brief Introduction to Asymptotic Expansions and Finite Sample Distribution theory
- v. Asymptotic Distribution Theory for estimation and inference:-
 - a. <u>Estimation</u>: optimal properties of estimators, Maximum Likelihood, Psuedo MLE, Method of Moments, GMM, Efficient MoM, M-Estimators, Simulation MLE (Indirect Estimation), Simulated Method of Moments, Non Parametric and Semi Parametric Methods, Bayesian Methods, Quantile Regression

- b. <u>Inference</u>: Size, Power and optimal properties of hypothesis tests, Likelihood Based Hypothesis Tests- 2nd order asymptotic equivalence, Maximum likelihood specification testing and Conditional Moment Tests
- vi. Bootstrap Methods, Monte Carlo Markov Chain, MCMC. Data Snooping

Reading:

My own notes and various chapters from:

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Amemiya Takeshi, Advanced Econometrics, Harvard University Press.

- Christian Gourieroux and Alain Monfort, <u>Statistics and Econometric Models</u>, volumes 1 and 2, Cambridge University Press.
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2: An Introduction to Computational Financial Econometrics Using SPLUS with FinMetrics and R:

Introduction to programming in S and standard econometric procedures in SPLUS using the Financial Econometrics Module and R.

In terms of reading there is really just the manual for SPLUS which is provided on the CD and then various tutorials which can be found on the web apart from the tutorial provided on the course CD. The Financial Econometrics module FINMETRICS has an accompanying book: Modelling Financial Time Series with SPLUS by Eric Zivot and Jiahui Wang published by Springer. R is an open source program with large library of contributed routines based on one form of the S language. SPLUS is a very powerful and extensive commercial package also based on the S language.

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The basic references for S-PLUS are the online manuals- however you might want to consider buying one of the following.

Venables W.N. and Ripley B.D., Modern Applied Statistics in S-PLUS. (and R) Krause A. and Olsen M.(1997), The Basics of S and S-PLUS (Krause & Olson). Second edition

Everitt, B.S., A Handbook of Statistical Analyses Using S-Plus

Lam Longhow, (1999) An introduction to S-PLUS for Windows,

3: Stylised Empirical Facts of Financial Returns;

How to measure Skewness, Kurtosis, Long memory, ARCH, volatility and risk, Extremes, Mixtures of Distributions Hypothesis, time deformation

TM: Chapters 2, 3 and 6; CLM: Appendix; TM: Chapter 5; ST: Chapter 2.

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