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mleur-package

*Maximum likelihood unit root test*

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## Description

Support for mle unit root tests

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## Examples

```
#Example 1. Analysis of money velocity
library(lattice)
xyplot(vel, lwd=1.5, type="b", cex=0.7, pch=16, aspect=0.8,
  xlab="year", ylab="money velocity")
mleurDiag(vel)
mleur(vel)
dftest(vel)
ar1test(vel)
ar1test(vel, method="LSE")
#
#Example 2.
#Difference in BAA and AAA corporate bonds
library(lattice)
xyplot(DiffBA, lwd=1.5, type="b", cex=0.7, pch=16, aspect=0.8,
  xlab="year", ylab="money velocity")
mleurDiag(DiffBA)
mleur(DiffBA)
dftest(DiffBA)
ar1test(DiffBA)
ar1test(DiffBA, method="LSE")
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ar1est	<i>MLE or LSE for AR(1) parameter. Sample mean correction used in MLE case. Intercept term estimated in LSE case.</i>
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### Description

Fast exact computation of the MLE for AR(1) by solving the likelihood equation. The sample mean correction is used, so the method is not strictly speaking exact but the name derives from the fact that if the mean is known and was used instead of the sample mean the estimate would be an exact MLE estimate of the parameter in the AR(1) model. It has been shown that effect of estimating the sample mean is negligible.

### Usage

```
ar1est(z, method = c("MLE", "LSE"))
```

### Arguments

z	time series or vector
method	must be "MLE" or "LSE"

### Details

The exact MLE for mean-zero an AR(1) time series satisfies a cubic equation. The solution of this equation for the MLE given by Zhang (2002) is used. This approach is more reliable as well as faster than the usual approach to the exact MLE using a numerical optimization technique which can occasionally have convergence problems.

### Value

MLE for the parameter

### Author(s)

A.I. McLeod and Ying Zhang

### References

Zhang, Y. (2002). Topics in Autoregression, Ph.D. Thesis, University of Western Ontario.

### Examples

```
#Example 1
#compare MLE and LSE for vel series
ar1est(vel)
ar1est(vel, method="MLE")
ar1est(vel, method="LSE")
#
```

```
#Example 2
ar1test(DiffBA)
ar1test(DiffBA, method="LSE")
```

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dftest	<i>Dickey-Fuller test</i>
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### Description

Computes the Dickey-Fuller test using the pivotal test statistic and returns critical points for tests at levels 0.1, 0.05, 0.01.

### Usage

```
dftest(y)
```

### Arguments

y                    time series or vector

### Details

The function `ur.df()` in the package `ur.ca` is used.

### Value

The output is a list with components:

DFStat                value of Dickey-Fuller pivotal statistic  
criticalValues        critical values corresponding to 1

### Author(s)

A.I. McLeod and Hao Yu

### See Also

[ur.df](#), [mleur](#)

### Examples

```
dftest(vel)
mleur(vel)
```

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DiffBA	<i>Bond yield differences, annual</i>
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**Description**

The difference in Moody's BAA and AAA corporate bond yields annually

**Usage**

```
data(DiffBA)
```

**Format**

The format is: Time-Series [1:35] from 1976 to 2010: 1.32 0.95 0.76 1.06 1.73 ...

**Details**

The data set includes the annual Moody's Baa and Aaa corporate bond yields from 1976 to 2010, and the difference between Baa and Aaa.

**Source**

The annual data of BAA and AAA are downloaded from the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (<http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h15/data.htm>)

**Examples**

```
mleurDiag(DiffBA)
mleur(DiffBA)
dftest(DiffBA)
```

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GetPower	<i>Simulation function to compute power for AR(1) alternative</i>
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**Description**

Compares the empirical power of unit-root tests using simulation. Various non-normal distributions may be selected.

**Usage**

```
GetPower(phi, n, NSIM = 1000, tests = c("DF", "MLEp", "MLEn", "MCT"),
noiseDist = c("normal", "t", "stable", "GARCH11"), df = 5,
ALPHA = 1.5, BETA = 0, alpha = 0.2, beta = 0.7)
```

**Arguments**

phi	AR(1) parameter or phi=1 if null is true
n	length of series
NSIM	Number of simulations
tests	available tests include: DF for Dickey-Fuller, MLEp for exact MLE using pivotal, MLEn - exact MLEn using normalized, MCT using Monte-Carlo test
noiseDist	distribution of innovations: "normal" for Gaussian; "t" for t-distribution; "stable" for stable distribution; "GARCH11" for GARCH
df	df for t-distribution
ALPHA	shape parameter of stable distribution in (0,2]
BETA	skewness parameter of stable in [-1,1]
alpha	GARCH(1,1) first parameter
beta	GARCH(1,1) second parameter

**Value**

List with the following components:

power	vector with estimated power for selected tests
phi	AR(1) parameter value
NSIM	Number of simulations used
MOE	margin of error for level 0.95 c.i.

**Author(s)**

A.I. McLeod

**See Also**

[mleur](#), [df test](#)

**Examples**

```
GetPower(phi=0.8, n=50, NSIM=100, tests=c("DF", "MLEp"))
```

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mctest	<i>Monte-Carlo unit root test</i>
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### Description

The Monte-Carlo unit root test using the exact MLE. This provides a check for the function `mleur()` as well as a more robust approach using bootstrap residuals.

### Usage

```
mctest(y, type = c("p", "n"), NumRep = 1000, bootQ = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>y</code>	the time series to be tested
<code>type</code>	default "p" for pivotal statistic, otherwise the normalized statistic is used
<code>NumRep</code>	Number of iterations for Monte-Carlo
<code>bootQ</code>	if FALSE, use NID innovations, otherwise if TRUE a bootstrap sample of the residuals

### Value

p-value

### Author(s)

A.I. McLeod and Hao Yu

### See Also

[mleur](#)

### Examples

```
mctest(DiffBA, NumRep=100, type="n")
```

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mleur	<i>Fast exact MLE unit root test</i>
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**Description**

Implements fast unit root test using response surface

**Usage**

```
mleur(y, type = c("p", "n"))
```

**Arguments**

y	time series
type	default "p" for pivotal statistic, otherwise the normalized statistic is used

**Details**

In paper.

**Value**

a vector of length 4 with named elements: c("test statistic", "1

**Author(s)**

A.I. McLeod and Hao Yu

**Examples**

```
mleur(vel)
```

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mleurDiag	<i>Diagnostic checks for mleur test</i>
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**Description**

Test for autocorrelation for mleur test

**Usage**

```
mleurDiag(y, lag.max = "default")
```

**Arguments**

y	time series
lag.max	maximum lag for test. Default setting is "default".



**Details**

Box-and-Whisker plot of residuals from fitted AR(1) plotted along with the p-value for the Wilk-Shairo test. The test in the package fBasics is used. The p-values of the Box-Ljung portmanteau test are plotted as well as the residual autocorrelations.

**Value**

The residuals are returned invisibly.

**Author(s)**

A. I. McLeod

**See Also**

[mleur](#)

**Examples**

```
z <- rnorm(100)
mLearDiag(z)
```

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simar1

*Simulate AR(1)*

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**Description**

Exact simulation for AR(1) with normal and non-normal innovations

**Usage**

```
simar1(phi = 0.5, n = 100, InnovationVariance = 1, noiseDist = c("normal", "t",
  "stable", "GARCH11"), df = 5, ALPHA = 1.5, BETA = 0, GAMMA = 1, DELTA = 0,
  alpha = 0.2, beta = 0.7)
```

**Arguments**

phi	AR(1) parameter
n	length of series
InnovationVariance	innovation variance, if applicable
noiseDist	distribution of innovations: "normal" for Gaussian; "t" for t-distribution; "stable" for stable distribution; "GARCH11" for GARCH
df	df for t-distribution
ALPHA	shape parameter of stable distribution in (0,2]
BETA	skewness parameter of stable in [-1,1]

GAMMA	scale parameter of stable
DELTA	shift parameter of stable
alpha	GARCH(1,1) first parameter
beta	GARCH(1,1) second parameter

**Details**

More details later.

**Value**

a vector of length n containing the simulated series

**Author(s)**

A.I. McLeod

**Examples**

```
simar1()
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testStatUM	<i>unit root MLE test statistic</i>
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**Description**

Computes the MLE unit root test statistic.

**Usage**

```
testStatUM(y, type = c("p", "n"))
```

**Arguments**

y	time series
type	default "p" for pivotal statistic, otherwise the normalized statistic is used

**Details**

See paper.

**Value**

the test statistic

**Author(s)**

A.I. McLeod

**See Also**[mleur](#)**Examples**

```
testStatUM(vel)
```

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vel	<i>Velocity of money, 1869-1970, Nelson</i>
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**Description**

Component in the famous dataset of Nelson and Plosser. Available in the `urca` package.

**Usage**

```
data(vel)
```

**Format**

The format is: Time-Series [1:102] from 1869 to 1970: 5.61 5.16 4.63 5.05 4.95 4.71 4.46 4.65 ...

**Source**

See example 1 below.

**Examples**

```
#Example 1: Data source:
data(nporg, package="urca")
testdata <- na.omit(nporg[, c("year", "vel")])
vel <- ts(testdata[, "vel"], start=testdata[1,1], freq=1)
#
mleurDiag(vel)
dftest(vel)
mleur(vel)
```

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