

# BOOTSTRAP TECHNIQUE FOR EXAMINING THE PROPERTIES OF THE MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATOR OF THE SPATIAL UNILATERAL AUTOREGRESSIVE MODEL

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## ABSTRACT

Many methods and procedures have been developed and proposed to overcome the estimation problem in spatial modelling, for example, by defining classes of models called separable models and the unilateral models. A special type of spatial models that received much attention is the spatial unilateral autoregressive models denoted as AR( $p_1, 1$ ). Several procedures have been proposed to estimate the parameters of this model. Awang and Shitan (2008) used the maximum likelihood method with some modifications at the border in their proposed procedure but the properties and sampling distribution of the estimates were not discussed. Hence, in this paper, we examine the properties and the sampling distribution of the estimate by the method based on resampling, i.e. bootstrapping.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Many methods and procedures have been developed and proposed to overcome the estimation problem in spatial modelling, however, some of the estimators are biased or inconsistent and computational difficulties exist. Some effort had been made to remedy these problems, for example, Martin (1979, 1990 and 1996) studied extensively a class of models called separable models, while Tjøstheim (1978 and 1983) and Basu and Reinsel (1992, 1993 and 1994) considered the unilateral models. A special feature of separable models is that it has a product correlation structure, which in turn simplifies the estimation, whereas, the unilateral models can be analyzed using extension of time series theory in some special cases.

A special type of spatial models that received much attention is the spatial unilateral autoregressive models denoted as AR( $p_1, 1$ ) and defined by

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha_{10} Y_{i-1,j} + \alpha_{01} Y_{i,j-1} + \cdots + \alpha_{p_1,1} Y_{i-p_1,j-1} + \varepsilon_{ij} \quad (1.1)$$

where  $Y_{ij}$  is an associated random variable and  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  is an independent and identically random variable with  $E(\varepsilon_{ij}) = 0$  and  $Var(\varepsilon_{ij}) = \sigma^2$  at site labelled  $(i, j)$  and  $\alpha_{ij}$ s are parameters to be estimated for processes on rectangular grid of size  $m \times n$ . Tjøstheim (1978) discussed the Yule-Walker method for estimating the parameters of the spatial unilateral autoregressive model of any orders. The method can be used to estimate the parameters of the  $AR(p_1, 1)$  model as defined in (1) above. Shitan and Brockwell (1996) also proposed a procedure to estimate the parameters of the model, where the approach is to transform the 2-dimensional spatial series to a multiple time-series, treating one of the coordinates as a time index and the other coordinates as a multivariate index and then carried out the multivariate least squares estimation procedures. Awang and Shitan (2006) looked at the same problem of estimation from a different perspective where the approach is to use the maximum likelihood method with some modifications at the border. They focused on the second order model, i.e. the  $AR(2, 1)$  model. The method is then extended for the  $AR(p_1, 1)$  model defined in equation (1) above (refer to Awang and Shitan, 2008).

In this paper, we examine the properties of the estimator proposed by Awang and Shitan (2008) by using the resampling method, i.e. *bootstrapping*. It is a computer-based method which helps to simplify the theoretical analysis of the estimator. Bootstrap method is considered since it is proven useful in the analysis of time series (see Efron and Tibshirani, 1986). In the next section, the maximum likelihood method as proposed by Awang and Shitan (2008) for estimating the parameters of the  $AR(p_1, 1)$  model is reviewed. Section 3 discusses about the bootstrap method in general, whereas in section 4 details about the bootstrap procedure applied in this research and the results of the analysis are presented. Finally, in section 5, some conclusions and directions for further research are given.

## 2. MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD METHOD FOR THE SPATIAL $AR(p_1, 1)$ MODEL

We consider a non-separable spatial unilateral autoregressive,  $AR(p_1, 1)$  model defined as,

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha_{10}Y_{i-1, j} + \alpha_{01}Y_{i, j-1} + \alpha_{11}Y_{i-1, j-1} + \dots + \alpha_{p_1 0}Y_{i-p_1, j} + \alpha_{p_1 1}Y_{i-p_1, j-1} + \varepsilon_{ij},$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ and } j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$
(2.1)

where  $\{Y_{ij}\}$  is a sequence of two-dimensional random variable with zero mean and the errors  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  are assumed to be normally distributed with mean 0 and common variance  $\sigma^2$ .

By assuming that the unobserved values to be zeroes, and letting the observation vector,  $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_{11}, Y_{12}, \dots, Y_{1n}, Y_{21}, Y_{22}, \dots, Y_{2n}, \dots, Y_{m1}, Y_{m2}, \dots, Y_{mn})' = (\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{Y}_m)'$ , where  $\mathbf{Y}_i = (Y_{i1}, Y_{i2}, \dots, Y_{in})'$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and the error vector,  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = (\varepsilon_{11}, \varepsilon_{12}, \dots, \varepsilon_{1n}, \varepsilon_{21}, \varepsilon_{22}, \dots, \varepsilon_{2n}, \dots, \varepsilon_{m1}, \varepsilon_{m2}, \dots, \varepsilon_{mn})' = (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_m)'$ , where  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i = (\varepsilon_{i1}, \varepsilon_{i2}, \dots, \varepsilon_{in})'$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  we can rewrite equation (2.1) in the matrix form as,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y}_2 \\ \mathbf{Y}_3 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Y}_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{\Phi}_0 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{\Phi}_1 & \mathbf{\Phi}_0 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{\Phi}_2 & \mathbf{\Phi}_1 & \mathbf{\Phi}_0 & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{\Phi}_{p_1} & \mathbf{\Phi}_{p_1-1} & \cdots & \mathbf{\Phi}_2 & \mathbf{\Phi}_1 & \mathbf{\Phi}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y}_2 \\ \mathbf{Y}_3 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Y}_m \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_3 \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_m \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.2)$$

where  $\mathbf{\Phi}_j$ s are  $n \times n$  matrices defined as,

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_{01} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_{01} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_{01} & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha_{01} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{\Phi}_j = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{j0} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_{j1} & \alpha_{j0} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_{j1} & \alpha_{j0} & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_{j1} & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha_{j1} & \alpha_{j0} \end{pmatrix}.$$

for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p_1$ .

Equation (2.2) can be written more compactly as,

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \quad (2.3)$$

where  $\mathbf{\Phi}$  is  $N \times N$  matrix,  $N = m \times n$ . It is clear that  $\mathbf{\Phi}$  is a lower triangular matrix with zeroes on the main diagonal. Then, if we decompose  $\mathbf{\Phi}$  into  $2p_1 + 1$  matrices such that it isolates different parameters, we obtain

$$\mathbf{Y} = (\alpha_{10}\mathbf{W}_{10} + \alpha_{01}\mathbf{W}_{01} + \alpha_{11}\mathbf{W}_{11} + \dots + \alpha_{p_1 0}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 0} + \alpha_{p_1 1}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 1})\mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \quad (2.4)$$

where,  $\mathbf{\Phi} = \alpha_{10}\mathbf{W}_{10} + \alpha_{01}\mathbf{W}_{01} + \alpha_{11}\mathbf{W}_{11} + \dots + \alpha_{p_1 0}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 0} + \alpha_{p_1 1}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 1}$  and  $\mathbf{W}_{jk}, j = 1, 2, \dots, p_1; k = 0, 1$  are the  $N \times N$  lower triangular weight matrices with elements ones and zeros.

Equation (2.4) can then be written as,

$$\mathbf{Y} = \left( \mathbf{I} - (\alpha_{10}\mathbf{W}_{10} + \alpha_{01}\mathbf{W}_{01} + \alpha_{11}\mathbf{W}_{11} + \dots + \alpha_{p_1 0}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 0} + \alpha_{p_1 1}\mathbf{W}_{p_1 1}) \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad (2.5)$$

or

$$\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Phi})^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad (2.6)$$

where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an  $N \times N$  identity matrix. Therefore, the covariance matrix of  $\mathbf{Y}$ ,  $\mathbf{V}$  is given as,

$$\mathbf{V} = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Phi})^{-1} \left[ (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Phi})^{-1} \right]'. \quad (2.7)$$

The square root of the determinant of  $\mathbf{V}$  is given as,

$$|\mathbf{V}|^{1/2} = (\sigma^2)^{N/2} |(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Phi})^{-1}|. \quad (2.8)$$

Since  $(\mathbf{I} - \Phi)$  is the lower triangular matrix with diagonal elements 1,  $|\mathbf{I} - \Phi| = 1$ .

This leads to

$$|\mathbf{V}|^{1/2} = (\sigma^2)^{N/2}. \quad (2.9)$$

Therefore, the likelihood function  $l$  is given as,

$$\begin{aligned} l &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\mathbf{V}|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi)^{-N/2} (\sigma^2)^{-N/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' [(\mathbf{I} - \Phi)^{-1} (\mathbf{I} - \Phi)^{-1}]^{-1} \mathbf{Y}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi)^{-N/2} (\sigma^2)^{-N/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{I} - \Phi) (\mathbf{I} - \Phi) \mathbf{Y}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain the log likelihood,  $L$  as

$$L = -\frac{N}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{N}{2} \ln(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{I} - \Phi) (\mathbf{I} - \Phi) \mathbf{Y}. \quad (2.10)$$

The partial derivative of  $L$  with respect to  $\alpha_{jk}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p_1$ ;  $k = 0, 1$  is given by

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_{jk}} = -\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left[ -\mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{jk} \mathbf{Y} + \alpha_{jk} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{jk} \mathbf{W}_{jk} \mathbf{Y} + \sum_{\forall r \neq j} \sum_{\forall s \neq k} \alpha_{rs} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{rs} \mathbf{W}_{jk} \mathbf{Y} \right] \quad (2.11)$$

for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ .

Equating (2.11) to zero leads to

$$\left[ \alpha_{jk} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{jk} \mathbf{W}_{jk} \mathbf{Y} + \sum_{\forall r \neq j} \sum_{\forall s \neq k} \alpha_{rs} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{rs} \mathbf{W}_{jk} \mathbf{Y} \right] = \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{W}'_{jk} \mathbf{Y}. \quad (2.12)$$

Therefore, denoting  $\mathbf{Z}_i = \mathbf{W}_i \mathbf{Y}$ , the maximum likelihood for  $\alpha_{jk}$  s can be obtained by solving the equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{10} \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{01} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{10} \\ \alpha_{01} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{p_1 0} \\ \alpha_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{10} \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{01} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{or } \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{10} \\ \alpha_{01} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{p_1 0} \\ \alpha_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{10} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{10} \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{01} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{01} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{10} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \mathbf{Z}'_{01} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \cdots & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 0} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} & \mathbf{Z}'_{p_1 1} \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{10} \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{01} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 0} \\ \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{Z}_{p_1 1} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.13)$$

### 3. BOOTSTRAP

The bootstrap is a computer-intensive method and it is based on resampling the data. The primary objective of bootstrapping is to obtain the properties of the sampling distribution of a random variable without assuming any distributional function of the random variable. For independent data, the classical bootstrap is done by resampling with replacement the data of size  $n$ ,  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ . In another words, a random sample of size  $n$  is drawn and here, we assign a probability mass of  $1/n$  on  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ . From this random sample, the estimator of interest is computed. These steps are repeated  $B$  times and from these  $B$  estimates, the standard deviation or other estimator's accuracy are calculated.

For dependent data or data with more complicated structure, the procedure above cannot be done in a similar manner. For spatial data, two bootstrap methods may be applied. The first method is the block bootstrap where the data is divided into congruent subregions and the resampling with replacement is done for these subregions. The second method is based on resampling with replacement the residuals, instead of the data. This method is adopted in our study and details about the procedure are presented in the next section.

### 4. METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS

Having obtained the estimator given in equation (2.13), the question is, how accurate it is as an estimator for  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ ? In this research, we choose the standard error of the estimator as the measure of the estimator's accuracy and we choose the bootstrapping the residual method as a tool to determine the value of standard deviation. We focus our analysis on the first order model, AR(1,1) defined as

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha_{10} Y_{i-1, j} + \alpha_{01} Y_{i, j-1} + \alpha_{11} Y_{i-1, j-1}. \quad (4.1)$$

The grid size,  $m \times n$  and the value of parameters are the first to be determined. Following the previous research, we choose the grid sizes of  $10 \times 6$ ,  $8 \times 8$ ,  $10 \times 8$ ,  $15 \times 6$ ,  $10 \times 10$ ,  $20 \times 5$ ,  $20 \times 10$ ,  $15 \times 15$ ,  $20 \times 15$ ,  $20 \times 16$ ,  $30 \times 12$ ,  $25 \times 15$  and  $20 \times 20$ . Three set of  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ 's values are considered,  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_{10} = 0.3, \alpha_{01} = 0.2, \alpha_{11} = 0.2)$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_{10} = 0.5, \alpha_{01} = 0.3, \alpha_{11} = 0.1)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_{10} = 0.8, \alpha_{01} = 0.7, \alpha_{11} = -0.6)$ . The series  $\{\varepsilon_{ij}\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2,$

...,  $n$  is then generated from independent standard normal with mean 0 and variance 1. The border values of  $\{Y_{ij}\}$  is then determined by assuming that the cells bordering the lattice have fixed values of zeros. Then the remaining values of  $\{Y_{ij}\}$  are obtained recursively from equation (4.1). The estimates of the parameters are then obtained by equation (2.13). From these estimates, the estimate of residuals  $\{\hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}\}$  is computed by  $\hat{\varepsilon}_{ij} = Y_{ij} - \hat{Y}_{ij}$ , where  $\hat{Y}_{ij} = \hat{\alpha}_{10}Y_{i-1,j} + \hat{\alpha}_{01}Y_{i,j-1} + \hat{\alpha}_{11}Y_{i-1,j-1}$ . A bootstrap sample  $\{Y_{ij}^*\}$  is created from  $\{\varepsilon_{ij}^*\}$ , where  $\{\varepsilon_{ij}^*\}$  is obtained by sampling with replacement from the residual  $\{\hat{\varepsilon}_{ij}\}$ . Then, the parameters are reestimated from  $\{Y_{ij}^*\}$  by the same equation (equation 2.13). The estimate is denoted as  $\alpha^* = (\alpha_{10}^*, \alpha_{01}^*, \alpha_{11}^*)$ . The steps above are repeated  $B$  times ( $B = 100, 200$  and  $500$ ). Finally, the standard deviation of the estimate is calculated by

$$s_{\hat{\alpha}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (\alpha - \alpha^*)^2}{B-1}}.$$

The results of the analysis are presented in Table 1. It displays the value of estimates together with its standard deviation (in bracket,  $B = 100, 200$  and  $500$ ). We notice that as the grid size increases, the standard deviation of the estimates decreases. For example, for  $\alpha = (\alpha_{10} = 0.3, \alpha_{01} = 0.2, \alpha_{11} = 0.2)$  and  $B = 100$ , the standard error for  $\hat{\alpha}_{10}$  is 0.1440 for the grid size  $10 \times 6$ , but it reduces to 0.0518 when the grid size is  $20 \times 20$ . From the table we may observe that the number of replication ( $B$ ) does not affecting the value of the standard deviations. As the number of replication increases, the improvement is very small and in many cases, we may conclude that it does not improve at all. Also, we may notice that the standard deviations (as well as the absolute biases) are smaller for  $\alpha = (\alpha_{10} = 0.8, \alpha_{01} = 0.7, \alpha_{11} = -0.6)$  compared to the other two set of  $\alpha$  values. Another aspect that we may observe is the shape of the grid. Generally, the square grid gives smaller standard deviation (and the absolute bias) than the rectangle grid for the same grid size. For instance, for  $\alpha = (\alpha_{10} = 0.3, \alpha_{01} = 0.2, \alpha_{11} = 0.2)$  and  $B = 200$ , the standard deviation is (0.1041, 0.0952, 0.0.1121) for  $10 \times 10$  grid but for  $20 \times 5$ , the standard deviation is (0.1060, 0.0957, 0.1235). To see the results clearly, we plot the graph (see Figure 1) of grid size versus the value of standard deviation for  $\alpha = (\alpha_{10} = 0.8, \alpha_{01} = 0.7, \alpha_{11} = -0.6)$ .

Table 1: The maximum likelihood estimates and its standard deviation (in bracket:  $B = 100, 200$  and  $500$ ) for three set of  $\alpha$  values.

| a) $\alpha_{10} = 0.3, \alpha_{01} = 0.2, \alpha_{11} = 0.2$ |                                    |                                    |                                      |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Grid size  | $\hat{\alpha}_{10}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{01}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{11}$                  |
| 10 × 6   | 0.1517<br>(0.1440, 0.1455, 0.1342) | 0.1143<br>(0.1216, 0.1310, 0.1325) | 0.2781<br>(0.1477, 0.1477, 0.1477)   |
| 8 × 8  | 0.2946<br>(0.1242, 0.1314, 0.1224) | 0.0259<br>(0.1352, 0.1315, 0.1270) | - 0.0115<br>(0.1462, 0.1337, 0.1458) |
| 10 × 8   | 0.2528<br>(0.1013, 0.1151, 0.1135) | 0.1354<br>(0.1178, 0.1130, 0.1143) | 0.2198<br>(0.1213, 0.1217, 0.1294)   |
| 15 × 6   | 0.1599<br>(0.1139, 0.1202, 0.1105) | 0.1343<br>(0.1182, 0.1078, 0.1048) | 0.2341<br>(0.1202, 0.1126, 0.1230)   |
| 10 × 10  | 0.2076<br>(0.0973, 0.1041, 0.0989) | 0.1412<br>(0.1028, 0.0952, 0.1009) | 0.1869<br>(0.1070, 0.1121, 0.1087)   |
| 20 × 5   | 0.1057<br>(0.1172, 0.1060, 0.1061) | 0.1043<br>(0.0995, 0.0957, 0.1017) | 0.0652<br>(0.1223, 0.1235, 0.1163)   |
| 20 × 10  | 0.1340<br>(0.0817, 0.0800, 0.0747) | 0.1362<br>(0.0710, 0.0682, 0.0652) | 0.1164<br>(0.0736, 0.0770, 0.0764)   |
| 15 × 15  | 0.2336<br>(0.0701, 0.0734, 0.0678) | 0.1754<br>(0.0693, 0.0591, 0.0631) | 0.2851<br>(0.0698, 0.0665, 0.0704)   |
| 20 × 15  | 0.2127<br>(0.0600, 0.0558, 0.0583) | 0.1264<br>(0.0529, 0.0586, 0.0601) | 0.1373<br>(0.0679, 0.0655, 0.0631)   |
| 20 × 16  | 0.2114<br>(0.0562, 0.0530, 0.0528) | 0.1133<br>(0.0490, 0.0521, 0.0561) | 0.1483<br>(0.0585, 0.0594, 0.0579)   |
| 30 × 12  | 0.2942<br>(0.0468, 0.0500, 0.0498) | 0.1278<br>(0.0552, 0.0507, 0.0525) | 0.2873<br>(0.0569, 0.0510, 0.0532)   |
| 25 × 15  | 0.2769<br>(0.0497, 0.0457, 0.0499) | 0.1355<br>(0.0520, 0.0542, 0.0510) | 0.2310<br>(0.0573, 0.0564, 0.0513)   |
| 20 × 20  | 0.2807<br>(0.0518, 0.0493, 0.0481) | 0.1355<br>(0.0489, 0.0480, 0.0504) | 0.1660<br>(0.0543, 0.0554, 0.0520)   |
| b) $\alpha_{10} = 0.5, \alpha_{01} = 0.3, \alpha_{11} = 0.1$ |                                    |                                    |                                      |
| Grid size  | $\hat{\alpha}_{10}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{01}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{11}$                  |
| 10 × 6   | 0.3456<br>(0.1410, 0.1428, 0.1297) | 0.2099<br>(0.1202, 0.1274, 0.1315) | 0.2043<br>(0.1432, 0.1646, 0.1459)   |
| 8 × 8  | 0.5073<br>(0.1192, 0.1245, 0.1137) | 0.1380<br>(0.1380, 0.1312, 0.1273) | - 0.0763<br>(0.1574, 0.1316, 0.1453) |
| 10 × 8   | 0.4142<br>(0.0940, 0.1092, 0.1076) | 0.2482<br>(0.1179, 0.1114, 0.1131) | 0.1345<br>(0.1186, 0.1222, 0.1292)   |
| 15 × 6   | 0.3478<br>(0.1107, 0.1162, 0.1060) | 0.2280<br>(0.1162, 0.1068, 0.1040) | 0.1540<br>(0.1214, 0.1123, 0.1257)   |
| 10 × 10  | 0.3938<br>(0.0917, 0.0991, 0.0932) | 0.2413<br>(0.1011, 0.0927, 0.0998) | 0.0897<br>(0.1073, 0.1136, 0.1092)   |
| 20 × 5   | 0.3098<br>(0.1106, 0.1033, 0.1013) | 0.2201<br>(0.0967, 0.0919, 0.1012) | 0.0280<br>(0.1167, 0.1200, 0.1144)   |
| 20 × 10  | 0.3443<br>(0.0768, 0.0749, 0.0728) | 0.2437<br>(0.0685, 0.0656, 0.0631) | 0.0648<br>(0.0751, 0.0760, 0.0759)   |
| 15 × 15  | 0.4223<br>(0.0661, 0.0679, 0.0629) | 0.2683<br>(0.0677, 0.0557, 0.0612) | 0.2137<br>(0.0686, 0.0696, 0.0708)   |
| 20 × 15  | 0.4179<br>(0.0530, 0.0515, 0.0527) | 0.2242<br>(0.0512, 0.0572, 0.0587) | 0.0780<br>(0.0677, 0.0676, 0.0638)   |

| $20 \times 16$  | 0.4177<br>(0.0525, 0.0490, 0.0487) | 0.2112<br>(0.0494, 0.0514, 0.0547) | 0.0885<br>(0.0629, 0.0611, 0.0582)  |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| $30 \times 12$  | 0.5101<br>(0.0429, 0.0443, 0.0443) | 0.2155<br>(0.0546, 0.0504, 0.0505) | 0.1907<br>(0.0574, 0.0508, 0.0552)  |
| $25 \times 15$  | 0.4658<br>(0.0486, 0.0417, 0.0455) | 0.2361<br>(0.0519, 0.0525, 0.0497) | 0.1518<br>(0.0591, 0.0570, 0.0512)  |
| $20 \times 20$  | 0.4647<br>(0.0484, 0.0417, 0.0446) | 0.2361<br>(0.0487, 0.0465, 0.0494) | 0.0920<br>(0.0562, 0.0584, 0.538)   |
| c) $\alpha_{10} = 0.8, \alpha_{01} = 0.7, \alpha_{11} = -0.6$ |                                    |                                    |                                     |
| Grid size   | $\hat{\alpha}_{10}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{01}$                | $\hat{\alpha}_{11}$                 |
| $10 \times 6$   | 0.6510<br>(0.1265, 0.1306, 0.1208) | 0.6781<br>(0.1062, 0.1075, 0.1105) | -0.5207<br>(0.1329, 0.1438, 0.1441) |
| $8 \times 8$  | 0.8730<br>(0.1000, 0.0942, 0.0818) | 0.6464<br>(0.1224, 0.1067, 0.1105) | -0.7538<br>(0.1580, 0.1230, 0.1315) |
| $10 \times 8$   | 0.7179<br>(0.0787, 0.0956, 0.0946) | 0.6949<br>(0.1008, 0.0933, 0.0933) | -0.5737<br>(0.1040, 0.1070, 0.1165) |
| $15 \times 6$   | 0.6853<br>(0.0964, 0.1043, 0.0908) | 0.6997<br>(0.0906, 0.0856, 0.0856) | -0.5635<br>(0.1121, 0.1045, 0.1130) |
| $10 \times 10$  | 0.7078<br>(0.0753, 0.0820, 0.0757) | 0.6762<br>(0.0873, 0.0749, 0.0857) | -0.5908<br>(0.0980, 0.1075, 0.0974) |
| $20 \times 5$   | 0.6138<br>(0.0920, 0.0942, 0.0915) | 0.6617<br>(0.0798, 0.0703, 0.0831) | -0.5576<br>(0.1055, 0.1049, 0.1048) |
| $20 \times 10$  | 0.6896<br>(0.0599, 0.0607, 0.0611) | 0.6241<br>(0.0567, 0.0531, 0.0544) | -0.5611<br>(0.0668, 0.0646, 0.0661) |
| $15 \times 15$  | 0.7311<br>(0.0559, 0.0554, 0.0532) | 0.6774<br>(0.0541, 0.0472, 0.0530) | -0.5136<br>(0.0586, 0.0613, 0.0652) |
| $20 \times 15$  | 0.7532<br>(0.0430, 0.0385, 0.0399) | 0.6123<br>(0.0413, 0.0461, 0.0472) | -0.5618<br>(0.0557, 0.0560, 0.0538) |
| $20 \times 16$  | 0.7453<br>(0.0394, 0.0396, 0.0370) | 0.6169<br>(0.0449, 0.0477, 0.0429) | -0.5500<br>(0.0564, 0.0576, 0.0506) |
| $30 \times 12$  | 0.8121<br>(0.0353, 0.0340, 0.0344) | 0.6638<br>(0.0419, 0.0443, 0.0419) | -0.5561<br>(0.0490, 0.0467, 0.0492) |
| $25 \times 15$  | 0.7676<br>(0.0402, 0.0402, 0.0381) | 0.6492<br>(0.0407, 0.0406, 0.0413) | -0.5380<br>(0.0510, 0.0466, 0.0439) |
| $20 \times 20$  | 0.7681<br>(0.0383, 0.0354, 0.0350) | 0.6477<br>(0.0378, 0.0373, 0.0407) | -0.5612<br>(0.0430, 0.0480, 0.0469) |

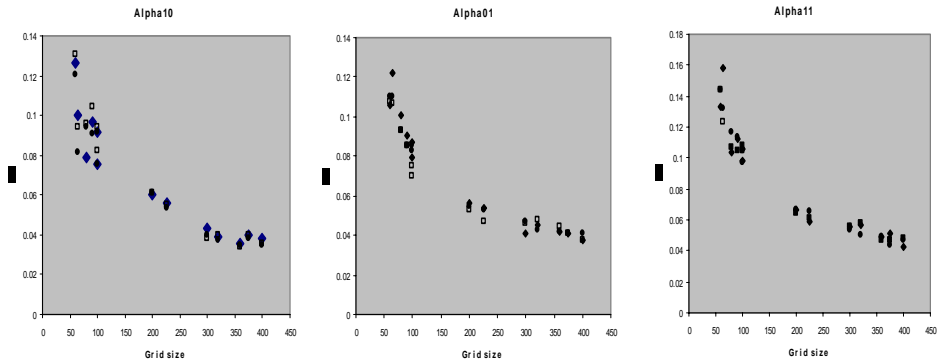




Figure1 : Grid size vs. Standard deviation for  $\alpha = (\alpha_{10} = 0.8, \alpha_{01} = 0.7, \alpha_{11} = -0.6)$  – ( $\diamond$ :  $B = 100$ ,  $\square$ :  $B = 200$ ,  $\bullet$ :  $B = 500$ )

## 5. COMMENTS AND CONCLUSION

In this analysis, we applied the bootstrap method to examining the properties of the maximum likelihood estimator as proposed by Awang and Shitan (2008). The method was based on resampling with replacement the residual of the AR(1,1) model. The standard deviation of the estimator was chosen as the measure for estimator's accuracy. Three set of  $\alpha$  values and nine grid sizes were considered. The numbers of the replication were 100, 200 and 500. The results showed that as the grid size increased, the standard deviation of the estimates decreased and the size of replication did not give huge differences for the value of the standard deviations.

From this analysis, we may conclude that bootstrap can be considered as a tool to obtain the properties of sampling distribution of a random variable when the traditional statistical analysis are complicated. Further research may take into consideration the block bootstrap and comparison can be done as which method of bootstrapping is better for examining the properties of the estimator. The research may also be extended to higher order model.

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