

Time series and financial econometrics
Sign-based tests for medians and independence

Exercises

1. Consider the “median regression” model:

$$y_t = x_t' \beta + u_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, \quad (1)$$

where x_t , $t = 1, \dots, T$, are $k \times 1$ fixed vectors and the the disturbances u_t , $t = 1, \dots, T$, are independent with median zero and continuous distributions. Propose procedures for testing hypotheses of the form $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$ and build confidence sets for β .

References: Coudin and Dufour (2009), Dufour and Taamouti (2010).

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