**Forecasting extreme trajectories using semi-norm representations**

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## **Motivations**

#### **Extreme values** and sharp reversals are at the heart of **prediction challenges**

• **Traditional time series** often relies on "the best predictor"

$$
\widehat{X}_{t+h} := \mathbb{E}(X_{t+h}|\mathcal{I}_t), \ \ h > 0
$$

with  $\mathcal{I}_t$  the past information

• **However**, future realizations far from central values lead to

**huge prediction errors !**



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#### *Xt* is **anticipative**



**Figure:**  $X_t = \rho X_{t+1} + \varepsilon_t$ ,  $\varepsilon_t \sim$ i.i.d. heavy-tailed

#### What do you choose?



# $X_t$  is **causal**

۸'n **Figure:**  $X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ,  $\varepsilon_t \sim$ i.i.d. heavy-tailed

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## *⇒* **The heavy elephant in the room: Forecasting!**



- **Econometrics/Statistics** literature:
	- **[Rosenblatt \(2000\)](#page-64-0), [Lanne and Saikkonen \(2011\),](#page-61-0) [Gouriéroux and Zakoian \(2017\)](#page-60-0)**
	- $-$  Theoretically mimics bubble data<sup>1</sup>
	- $-$  Estimation is well covered<sup>2</sup>

#### • **Applications:**

- Economic: Macroeconometrics, Financial data, Bitcoins, Commodities prices, Portfolio  $m$ anagement $3$
- **Climate variables:** Global sea level, GHG emissions, global temperature, sea ice area, and some natural oscillation indices<sup>4</sup>
- Physics, astronomy, engineering...

<sup>1</sup>[Gouriéroux et al. \(2020\)](#page-60-1)

<sup>2</sup> [Cavaliere et al. \(2017\)](#page-58-0), [Fries and Zakoian \(2019\)](#page-59-0), [Hecq et al. \(2016\)](#page-61-1), [Hecq et al. \(2017b\)](#page-62-0), [Hecq et al. \(2020\)](#page-62-1), [Andrews et al. \(2009\),](#page-57-0) [Lanne and Saikkonen \(2011\)](#page-61-0), [Lanne & Saikkonen \(2013\),](#page-63-0) [Gourieroux & Jasiak \(2023\)](#page-61-2)

3 [Lanne and Saikkonen \(2011\)](#page-61-0), [Lanne & Luoto \(2013\)](#page-62-2), [Moussa & Thomas \(2023\)](#page-62-3), [Hecq et al. \(2023\)](#page-62-4), [Hecq et al. \(2024\)](#page-62-5), [Fries and Zakoian \(2019\),](#page-59-0) [Fries \(2021\),](#page-59-1) [Hencic & Gourieroux \(2015\)](#page-62-6), [Hecq et al. \(2017a\)](#page-61-3), [Hecq et al. \(2017b\),](#page-62-0) [Friedrich et al. \(2020\),](#page-59-2) [Hecq & Voisin \(2021\)](#page-62-7), [de Truchis et al. \(2024\)](#page-58-1)

<sup>4</sup>[Blasques et al \(2023\),](#page-64-1) [Giancaterini et al. \(2022\)](#page-59-3)



## **Outline**

- We use *α*-**stable linear time series** and discuss a new **semi-norm** representation
	- *⇒* this naturally leads to the concept of **past-representability**
- We focus on **extreme** trajectories of past-representable processes and show that
	- *⇒* to some extent, the stochastic nature of the trajectories vanishes
	- ... to give way to deterministic features related to MA(*∞*) coefficients
- We suggest two **forecasting procedures for asymptotically extreme trajectories**
- We use a **Monte-Carlo** study to evaluate our results in a non-asymptotic framework
- We illustrate the empirical relevance of our results on **climatic data**<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup>We develop a web app to replicate the results and play with other time series (emprical data and simulated one)



## **Introduction to stable moving-averages**

*Anticipative v.s. causal processes*



## **Large shocks are non Gaussian**

• **Stable laws** are natural candidates

*ε<sup>t</sup> ∼ S*(*α, β, σ, µ*)  $\alpha \in (0, 2)$  : tail index  $\beta \in [-1, 1]$  : asymmetry *σ >* 0 : scale *µ* ∈ R : location

- $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$  are Stable random variables if  $a\varepsilon_1 + b\varepsilon_2$  is Stable
- To simplify the slides we focus on  $\beta = 0 \Rightarrow \varepsilon_t \sim S \alpha S$
- Unconditional moments exist up to the tail index *α*

 $\mathbb{E}(|\varepsilon_1|^u) < \infty \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(|X_t|^u) < \infty, \quad u < \alpha$ 



## **Two-sided stable moving-averages**

We consider linear **strictly stationary** processes driven by *ε<sup>t</sup> iid∼ SαS*



**Figure:**  $X_t$  is anticipative:  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ 

**Figure:**  $X_t$  is causal:  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ <sub>−</sub>



## **Causal v.s. anticipative processes**

We remain agnostic while developing our theory even if

• the **anticipative** profile is **visually more familiar**

$$
X_t = \rho X_{t+1} + \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow d_k = \rho^k, \ \ k \ge 0, \ |\rho| < 1
$$

However, on the **empirical side**,

• **causal processes** are massively more considered

$$
X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow d_k = \rho^k, \ \ k \le 0, \ |\rho| < 1
$$



*Figure:* On financial markets  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  or  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ 



## **Some trajectories/processes are more predictable than others**



$$
X_t = \rho X_{t+1} + \varepsilon_t \qquad \qquad Y_t = \rho Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t
$$



## **Forecasting stable-MA(***∞***) with conditional moments**

• Backward conditional moments as well

 $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|^b |X_{t+1}) < \infty, \quad b < a$ 

• **Forward conditional moments** are more promising

 $X_{t+1} = \mathbb{E}(|X_t|^f | X_{t-1}) < \infty, \ \ f < 2\alpha + 1$ 

as the conditional expectation always exists



## **Forecasting with** *α***-stable vectors**

• [Fries \(2022\)](#page-63-1) suggests a new strategy based on

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$$
\boldsymbol{X}_t = (X_t, X_{t+h})',
$$

that is an *α*-stable vector, as its characteristic function alway exists

$$
\mathbb{E}\left[e^{i\langle \boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{X}\rangle}\right] = \exp\left\{-\int_{S_d} |\langle \boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{s}\rangle|^\alpha \bigg(1-i,\text{sign}(\langle \boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{s}\rangle) \text{tg}(\pi\alpha/2)\bigg)\Gamma(d\boldsymbol{s})\right\}
$$
(2)

and relies on a finite  ${\sf spectral}$  measure  $\Gamma$  defined on the unit sphere  $S_d \in \mathbb{R}^d$ 

N.B. Any norm can be used to define the unit sphere: hereafter we retain the Euclidean one

$$
S_d = \{ \mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d : ||\mathbf{s}||_e = 1 \}
$$



## **The spectral measure**

- For  $d = 2$ ,  $S_d$  is a circle and  $\Gamma$  acts as a compass
- Given a particular position on the map (the realization of *X<sup>t</sup>* )
- ...  $\Gamma$  charges the mass where  $X_{t+1}$  is likely to go
- *x<sup>t</sup>* **close to central values**: "magnetic" perturbations occur
- *⇒* Γ charges numerous mass points
	- *x<sup>t</sup>* **far from central values**: some patterns emerge
- *⇒* Γ charges a small number of mass points





## **Tail conditional distribution of the AR(1)**

- Typically, for  $X_t = \rho X_{t+1} + \varepsilon_t$ , with  $\varepsilon_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{S}\alpha\mathcal{S}$ , if  $x_t \to +\infty$
- $\Rightarrow$  For  $\textbf{\emph{X}}_t=(\textit{X}_t,\textit{X}_{t+h})'$ ,  $\Gamma$  points to the "East" coordinates or

$$
\frac{X_t}{||X_t||_e} = \frac{(\rho^h, 1)}{\sqrt{1 + \rho^{2h}}}
$$

- Straightforward interpretation: conditionally to  $x_t \rightarrow +\infty$ 
	- $-$  Either  $X_{t+h}$  crashes to central values with probability  $1 \rho^{\alpha h}$
	- $-$  Or  $X_{t+h}$  continue to grow with probability  $\rho^{\alpha h}$
- *⇒* when *h* is also large, the crash probability goes to 1



 $X_i = (X_i, X_i, Y_i)$ 



## **Baseline path of stable-MA(***∞***)**

• Now consider the general case

$$
X_t = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} d_k \varepsilon_{t+k}, \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta, \sigma, 0)
$$

• Set  $\tau = t + k$  such that

$$
X_t = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} d_k \varepsilon_{t+k} = \sum_{\tau \in \mathbb{Z}} d_{\tau-t} \varepsilon_{\tau}
$$

 $\Rightarrow$   $X_t$  is a linear combination of deterministic baseline paths scaled by *ε<sup>τ</sup>* and shift in time

1	$\tau - m$
0.9	$a_{\tau,1} = d_k$
0.8	$\tau = 20$
0.7	$k = 0$
0.6	$m = 10$
0.5	$m = 10$
0.4	$a_{\tau,2}$
0.3	Anticipative side
0.2	$a_{\tau,1}$
0.3	$a_{\tau,2}$
0.1	$a_{\tau,3}$
0.2	$a_{\tau,4}$
0.3	$a_{\tau,1}$
0.4	$a_{\tau,2}$
0.2	$a_{\tau,3}$
0.3	$a_{\tau,4}$
0.4	$a_{\tau,5}$
0.5	$a_{\tau,2}$
0.6	$a_{\tau,3}$

$$
t\longmapsto d_{\tau-t}
$$



## **Spectral measure of stable-MA(***∞***) vectors**



## **Tail conditional distribution of stable-MA(***∞***)**

Theorem 1 is a direct application of Theorem 4.4.8 by [Samorodnitsky and Taqqu \(1994\)](#page-64-2)

#### **Theorem 1** *For any Borel sets A, B of*  $S_{m+h+1}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}$  $\int X_t$  $\frac{1}{\|X_t\|_e} \in A$  $\|X_t\|_e > x, \frac{X_t}{\|X\|_e}$  $\frac{X_t}{\|X_t\|_e} \in B$  $\overline{\Lambda}$  $\longrightarrow \frac{\Gamma(A \cap B)}{\Gamma(B)}$  $\Gamma(B)$

## **Corollary 1**

 $\mathcal{L}$ et  $A\subset S_{m+h+1}$ , a Borel set that does not contain any point  $\pm |d_k/\|d_k\|_e.$  Then,

$$
\mathbb{P}\bigg(\frac{X_t}{\|X_t\|_e} \in A\bigg| \|X_t\|_e > x\bigg) \xrightarrow[x \to +\infty]{} \frac{\Gamma(A)}{\Gamma(S_{m+h+1})} = 0
$$

*⇒* During extreme events, *X<sup>t</sup>* is necessarily **colinear to** some *d<sup>k</sup>*



## **Conditioning set**

In view of empirical applications, Theorem 1 is not very useful as



belongs to the conditioning set and *X<sup>t</sup>* embeds future variables

- An a priori is needed regarding the behavior of  $X_{t+1}, \ldots, X_{t+h}$  to choose *B*
- Ideally we would like to **exclude the future from the conditioning set**



## **A simple solution with complex implications**

A simple solution is to consider, for any sequence (*Xt−m, . . . , Xt*+*h*) *∈* R *m*+*h*+1 ,

$$
||(X_{t-m},\ldots,X_t,X_{t+1},\ldots,X_{t+h})|| = ||(X_{t-m},\ldots,X_t,0,\ldots,0)||
$$

However,  $\|\cdot\|$  is not positive definite and is actually a **semi-norm** 

From a topological point of view, the unit-sphere homeomorphically comes down to

$$
C_{m+h+1}^{\|\cdot\|} = \{\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d : ||\mathbf{s}|| = 1\},\
$$

a **unit-cylinder**



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#### Stable vectors on  $\mathit{C_d^{\left\| \cdot \right\|}}$ *d*

*General theoretical results*



#### Definition of stable vectors on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$ *d*

### **Definition 1**

*Let*  $X = (X_1, \ldots, X_d)$  *be an*  $\alpha$ -stable random vector. For the  $S \alpha S$  case, we say that X is representable  $o$ n  $C_d^{||\cdot||}$  if there exists a Borel measure  $\Gamma^{||\cdot||}$  on  $C_d^{||\cdot||}$  satisfying for all  $\bm{u}\in\mathbb{R}^d$ 

$$
\int_{C_d^{||\cdot||}} |\langle u, s \rangle|^{\alpha} \Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(d\mathbf{s}) < +\infty,
$$
\n(3)

*such that the characteristic function of X can be written as in* ([2\)](#page-12-0) *with* (*Sd,* Γ) *replaced by*

 $(C_d^{\|\cdot\|}, \Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}).$ 

• As cylinders are unbounded sets, the integrability condition ensures the sanity of the def.



#### Representation of stable vectors on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$ *d*

### **Theorem 2**

Denote  $K^{\|\cdot\|}=\{x\in S_d:\|x\|=0\}$  and let  $X$  be a  $S\alpha S$  on  $\R^d$  with spectral measure  $\Gamma$  on  $S_d.$  Then,

*X* is representable on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|} \iff \Gamma(K^{\|\cdot\|}) = 0.$ 

 $M$ oreover, if  $X$  is representable on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$  , its spectral measure is then given by  $\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}$  where

 $\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(d\mathbf{s}) = ||\mathbf{s}||_e^{-\alpha} \Gamma \circ T_{\|\cdot\|}^{-1}(d\mathbf{s})$ 

 $w$ ith  $T_{\|\cdot\|}:S_d\setminus K^{\|\cdot\|}\longrightarrow C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$  defined by  $T_{\|\cdot\|}(\bm{s})=\bm{s}/\|\bm{s}\|$ 

- $\bm{\cdot}$  Unit cylinders do not span all directions of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and encode less information
- The representation exists if these directions are irrelevant to characterize the distribution



#### Toward tail conditional distribution on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$ *d*

#### **Lemma 1**

Let  $\pmb{X}=(X_1,\ldots,X_d)$  be an  $\alpha$ -stable random vector and let  $\|\cdot\|$  be a seminorm on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . If  $\pmb{X}$  is representable on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$ , then for every Borel sets  $A,B\subset C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$  with  $\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}\Big(\partial (A\cap B)\Big)=\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}\big(\partial B\big)=0$ ,  $\mathsf{and}\; \Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(B)>0$ ,

$$
\mathbb{P}_x^{\|\cdot\|}(X,A|B):=\mathbb{P}\bigg(\frac{X}{\|X\|}\in A\bigg|\|X\|>x,\frac{X}{\|X\|}\in B\bigg)_{x\to+\infty}\frac{\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(A\cap B)}{\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(B)}
$$

*where ∂B (resp. ∂*(*A ∩ B*)*) denotes the boundary of B (resp. A ∩ B)*

• Under our representation Theorem, the result of Taqqu (1994) can be recovered



## **Semi-norm representation of stable moving averages**

*Theoretical results for trajectories*



#### Representation of stable moving averages on  $C_d^{\|\cdot\|}$ *d*

#### **Lemma 2**

Let  $X_t=(X_{t-m},\ldots,X_{t+h})\in\mathbb{R}^{m+h+1}$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  a semi-norm on  $\mathbb{R}^{m+h+1}$ . In the S $\alpha$ S case,  $X_t$  is  $\mathit{representable}$  on  $\mathit{C}_{m+h+1}^{\|\cdot\|}$  if and only if

$$
\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \left[ (d_{k+m}, \ldots, d_k) = \mathbf{0} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \forall \ell \leq k-1, \quad d_\ell = 0 \right].
$$

 $\Rightarrow$  If a piece of the past trajectory of  $X_t$  is null, the whole future trajectory has to be

$$
(d_{k+m},\ldots,d_k,\ldots,d_\ell)=\mathbf{0}
$$

• At this stage, this results is quite intriguing and not necessarily clear-cut



## **The past-representability property**

The past-representability condition **fails** if for some *m*

$$
(d_{k+m},\ldots,d_k)=\mathbf{0}
$$

and for some  $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $d_{\ell} \neq 0$  such that

$$
X_{t+1} = \underbrace{d_{\ell}}_{\neq 0} \varepsilon_{t+1+\ell} + \sum_{k \neq \ell} d_k \varepsilon_{t+1+k},
$$

thereby implying that  $\varepsilon_{t+1+\ell}$  is independent of  $X_{t-m}, \ldots, X_t$ 

*⇒* Observed path is uninformative about extreme events in *Xt*+1

*⇒* Non-anticipative processes are ruled-out





## **Application to anticipative stable-AR(2)**

**Figure:** Unit cylinder and unit sphere representations of  $X_t = 0.7X_{t+1} + 0.1X_{t+2} + \varepsilon_t$ 



- $\Rightarrow$   $\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}$  successfully encodes all information contained in  $S_2$  sphere on  $\mathcal{C}_2^{\|\cdot\|}$
- $\Rightarrow$  This confirms that the directions of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  not spanned by the unit-cylinder are irrelevant
- *⇒* Extreme realizations of *Xt*+1 never occur conditionally to small realisations of *Xt−*<sup>1</sup> and *X<sup>t</sup>* .



## **Tail conditional distribution of stable MA(***∞***)**

## **Proposition 1**

*Let X<sup>t</sup> ∈* R *<sup>m</sup>*+*h*+1 *be a piece of trajectory of a past-representable stable MA(∞), then*

$$
\mathbb{P}_x^{\|\cdot\|}\bigg(X_t,A\Big|B(V)\bigg)\xrightarrow[x\to+\infty]{\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}\bigg(\bigg\{\frac{\vartheta \mathbf{d}_k}{\|\mathbf{d}_k\|}\in A:\ \frac{\vartheta f(\mathbf{d}_k)}{\|\mathbf{d}_k\|}\in V\bigg\}\bigg)}{\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}\bigg(\bigg\{\frac{\vartheta \mathbf{d}_k}{\|\mathbf{d}_k\|}\in C_{m+h+1}^{\|\cdot\|}:\ \frac{\vartheta f(\mathbf{d}_k)}{\|\mathbf{d}_k\|}\in V\bigg\}\bigg)},
$$

 $f$ or any Borel sets  $A\subset C_{m+h+1}^{\|\cdot\|},\ V\subseteq S_{m+1}^{\|\cdot\|}$  such that  $\Big\{\dfrac{\vartheta \boldsymbol{d}_k}{\|\boldsymbol{d}_k\|}$  $\frac{\vartheta \boldsymbol{d}_k}{\|\boldsymbol{d}_k\|} \in C^{\|\cdot\|}_{m+h+1} : \quad \frac{\vartheta f(\boldsymbol{d}_k)}{\|\boldsymbol{d}_k\|}$  $\frac{d}{\Vert \boldsymbol{d}_k \Vert} \in V$  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$ *6*= *∅,*  $\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}\Big(\partial (A\cap B(V))\Big)=\Gamma^{\|\cdot\|}(\partial B(V))=0$ , where  $B(V)=V\times\mathbb{R}^h$  and  $f$  is a transformation function.



## **Toward path prediction**

#### **Remark**

 $S$ etting  $V=S_{m+1}^{||\cdot||}\Longrightarrow B(V)=C_{m+1}^{||\cdot||}$  and  $A$  a small closed neighborhood of  $(\vartheta \bm{d}_k/||\bm{d}_k||)$  $\lim_{x \to +\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(X_t / \|X_t\| \in A \middle| \|X_t\| > x\right) = 1$ 

*⇒* Far from central values, the **observed path**

 $(X_{t-m},...,X_{t},X_{t+1})/||X_{t}||$ 

necessarily **features patterns of the same shape** as some finite piece

 $\frac{\partial (d_{k+m},\ldots,d_k)}{d_{k+1}}$ 

- *k* points to which piece of the moving average's coefficient it corresponds
- *ϑ ∈ {−*1*,* +1*}* indicates whether the pattern is flipped upside down if *ε<sup>τ</sup> <* 0, *τ > t*



## **Path prediction strategy**

## **Forecasting procedure**

( $\iota$ ) Carefully define the Borel sets A and  $B(V)$  $(i\iota)$  When  $(X_{t-m}, \ldots, X_{t-1}, X_t)$  is large with respect to the semi-norm, use the fact that

 $(X_{t-m},\ldots,X_{t-1},X_t)/||X_t|| = \vartheta(d_{k+m},\ldots,\overline{d_{k+1},d_k})/||\boldsymbol{d}_k||$ 

to identify to wich finite piece

$$
\vartheta_0(d_{k_0+m},\ldots,d_{k_0+1},d_{k_0})/\|d_{k_0}\|
$$

of the MA( $\infty$ ) sequence,  $X_t$  corresponds  $^-(\iota\iota\iota)$  Then, for  $V_0$  any small closed neighbourhood of  $\vartheta_0 f(\bm{d}_{k_0})/ \|\bm{d}_{k_0}\|$ , compute

 $\mathbb{P}_x^{\|\cdot\|}\left(X_t, A\Big|B(V_0)\right)$ 



## **Path prediction and uncertainty**

• In practice, only noisy observations are available and we can only achieve

 $(X_{t-m},\ldots,X_{t-1},X_t)/\|X_t\|\approx \vartheta(d_{k+m},\ldots,d_{k+1},d_k)/\|d_k\|$ 

on a realised trajectory

• Even if the observed path can be confidently identified with a particular pattern in

 $\partial d_k / ||d_k||$ 

**in general, uncertainty** regarding the future trajectory **remains**

- *⇒* several patterns can coincide on their first *<sup>m</sup>* + 1 components, but differ by the last *<sup>h</sup>*
- The tail conditional distribution is obtained as the semi-norm of  $X_t$  grows to  $\infty$ 
	- *⇒* only an approximation of the true dynamics during extreme events



## **Application to some particular stable MA(***∞***)**

*Path prediction in particular cases*



## **The tail conditional distribution of anticipative AR(**1**)**

## **Proposition 2**

 $L$ et  $X_t = \rho X_{t+1} + \varepsilon_t$ . Then, the following hold when  $m \geq 1$  and if  $0 \leq k_0 \leq h$  $\mathbb{P}_x^{\|\cdot\|}\left(\boldsymbol{X}_t, A_{\vartheta, k} \Big| B(V_0)\right) \underset{x \to \infty}{\longrightarrow}$  $\sqrt{ }$ J <sup>1</sup>  $|\rho|^{\alpha k} (1 - |\rho|^{\alpha}) \delta_{\vartheta_0}(\vartheta), \quad 0 \leq k \leq h - 1,$  $|\rho|^{\alpha h} \delta_{\vartheta_0}(\vartheta),$  *k* = *h*.

*with Aϑ,<sup>k</sup> a closed neighborhood of <sup>ϑ</sup>d<sup>k</sup> ∥dk∥ which does not contain any other charged point of* Γ *∥·∥*

- The crash date is not observed and can happen either in the next *h −* 1 periods, or after *h*
- The probability that the bubble will crash in *k* periods is  $|\rho|^{\alpha k} (1 |\rho|^{\alpha})$
- $\cdot$  The probability that the bubble will last at least  $h$  more periods is  $|\rho|^{\alpha h}$



## **The anticipative AR(**2**)**

The anticipative AR(2) is the strictly stationary solution of

$$
(1 - \lambda_1 F)(1 - \lambda_2 F)X_t = \varepsilon_t, \qquad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta, \sigma, 0), \qquad X_t F^j = X_{t+j}
$$

and admits the moving average representation  $X_t = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} d_k \varepsilon_{t+k}$  with

$$
d_k = \begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} \lambda_1^{k+1} - \lambda_2^{k+1} \\ \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \end{array} 1_{\{k \ge 0\}}, & \text{if} \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2, \\ (k+1)\lambda^k 1_{\{k \ge 0\}}, & \text{if} \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda. \end{cases}
$$

where  $0<|\lambda_i|< 1$  for  $i=1,2$ 



## **The tail conditional distribution of anticipative AR(**2**)**

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#### **Proposition 3**

Let  $X_t$  an anticipative AR(2),  $m \ge 1$ ,  $h \ge 1$ , and  $d_k = (d_{k+m}, \ldots, d_k, d_{k-1}, \ldots, d_{k-h})$ . For some  $\vartheta_0 \in S_1$ ,  $k_0 \ge -m$ , and  $B(V_0) = V_0 \times \mathbb{R}^h$ , then,

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$$
\mathbb{P}_x^{\|\cdot\|}\Big(X_t,A\Big|B(V_0)\Big)\underset{x\to\infty}{\longrightarrow}\left\{\begin{array}{ll}1, & \qquad \text{if }\frac{\vartheta_0\boldsymbol{d}_{k_0}}{\|\boldsymbol{d}_{k_0}\|}\in A, \\ 0, & \qquad \text{otherwise},\end{array}\right.
$$

*for any closed neighbourhood A ⊂ C ∥·∥ <sup>m</sup>*+*h*+1 *such that*

 $\partial A \cap {\partial \overline{d_k}}/{\Vert \overline{d_k} \Vert}: \ \vartheta \in S_1, \ k \geq -m} = \emptyset.$ 

• When *X<sup>t</sup>* is **anticipative enough**, one can **infer in advance** the peak and crash dates with very high confidence, in principle, **with certainty !**



## **Monte Carlo study**

*Forecasting procedures in practice*



## **Forecasting crash probabilities**

We first investigate a crash-probability forecasting procedure

• We generate 1000 trajectories of

$$
X_t = 0.7X_{t+1} + 0.1X_{t+2} = \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{S}(1.5, 1, 0.5, 0), \quad t = 1, \dots, 10^6
$$

• We consider  $h = \{1, 5, 10\}$  and  $m = 1$  such that  $\boldsymbol{X_t} = (X_{t-1}, X_t, X_{t+h})$  and

$$
A = B(V_0) \times [-\delta, \delta], \quad B(V_0) = \left\{ \frac{\vartheta_0 \mathbf{d}_{k_0 - 1}}{\|\mathbf{d}_{k_0}\|} \pm 0.1 \right\} \times \left\{ \frac{\vartheta_0 \mathbf{d}_{k_0}}{\|\mathbf{d}_{k_0}\|} \pm 0.1 \right\}, \quad \delta = 0.3
$$

- $\bullet$  The semi-norm is defined as  $\|X_t\| = \sqrt{X_t^2 + X_{t-1}^2}$  and said large when  $\|X_t\| \geq 2q_\alpha$
- $\bullet$  *q*<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>  $\in$  {0.9, 0.99, 0.999, 0.9999}, is a theoretical quantile of the marginal distribution of  $X_t$



## **Simulation results**

• The "empirical" probability on the left-hand side of Proposition [4](#page-39-0) is compute as

$$
\widehat{p}_q = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N-h} \mathbb{1}\left(\left\{\frac{(X_{t-1},X_t)}{\|X_t\|} \in B(V_0)\right\} \cap \left\{\frac{X_{t+h}}{\|X_t\|} \le \delta\right\} \cap \{\|X_t\| > 2q\}\right)}{\sum_{t=1}^{N-h} \mathbb{1}\left(\left\{\frac{(X_{t-1},X_t)}{\|X_t\|} \in B(V_0)\right\} \cap \{\|X_t\| > 2q\}\right)}
$$
(5)

and the "theoretical" one (right-hand side) similarly but using  $\frac{d_{k_0+h}}{\|d_{k_0}\|}\leq\delta$  instead of  $\frac{X_{t+h}}{\|X_t\|}\leq\delta$ 

**Table:** Comparison of theoretical and empirical crash probabilities of bubbles generated by the anticipative AR(2)





## **Forecasting crash dates**

In this second numerical analysis, we study a crash-date forecasting procedure

• We generate 1000 trajectories of the following *SαS* AR(2)

$$
X_t = 0.7X_{t+1} + 0.1X_{t+2}\varepsilon_t, \ \varepsilon_t \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{S}(\alpha, 0, 0.1, 0), \ t = 1, ..., N
$$

- We identify a positive bubble peak as  $max(x_t)$ , consider  $m = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11\}$  and
- ... treat as unobserved all future values and  $\lceil n \times 0.01 \rceil$  periods preceding the bubble burst

$$
k_0 = \{3, 5, 10\}
$$

#### $\Rightarrow$  This impacts to which quantile  $X_t$  is likely to belong to

$N/\alpha$	0.9		1.5	1.8
$250 \Rightarrow q_{X_t}$ Very High	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.94
$500 \Rightarrow q_{X_t}$ High	0.98	0.98	0.94	0.89
$1000 \Rightarrow q_{X_t}$ Moderately	0.97	0.96	በ 91	0.78

• We compute the bias as the difference between the true crash date and the predicted one



## **Simulation results**



#### **Table:** Bias for the crash date predictor



## **Empirical illustration**

#### *Forecasting climate anomalies*



## **Forecasting climate anomalies**

- A growing literature highlights the impact of climate variables on economic performance
- Weather shocks have an impact on growth, inflation, energy and commodity agricultural returns
- A common proxy is the Southern Oscillation Index (SOI)
- Forecasting El Niño/La Niña anomalies is of primary interest from extreme weather warnings to agricultural planning

#### THE CONVERSATION



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## **Data**

- $\bm{\cdot}$  *SOI<sub>t</sub>* is a monthly variable based on air-pressure differentials in the South Pacific
- El Niño (resp. La Niña) anomalies: *SOI<sup>t</sup> >* 1 (resp. *SOI<sup>t</sup> < −*1) during at least the 3 periods



**Figure:** Southern Oscillation Index (SOI)



## **Estimation results**

• We estimate a stable anticipative AR(2):  $X_t = \varphi_1 X_{t+1} + \varphi_2 X_{t+2} + \varepsilon$  for the *SOI<sub>t</sub>* over the period 01/1951 - 12/1991

**Table:** AR(2) estimation for SOI

$\varphi_1$ $0.44***$	$\varphi_2$ $0.30***$	$1.88***$	$-0.48*$	$0.46***$	$0.01*$
(1.50E-04)	(1.00E-04)	(0.06)	(0.27)	(3.00E-03)	(0.02)

*Notes:* Standard deviations are in parentheses. Asterisks *∗*, *∗∗*, and *∗∗∗* indicate significance at the 90%, 95% and 99% level, respectively.



## **The anticipative AR(**2**)**

The anticipative AR(2) is the strictly stationary solution of

$$
(1 - \lambda_1 F)(1 - \lambda_2 F)X_t = \varepsilon_t, \qquad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{S}(\alpha, \beta, \sigma, 0), \qquad X_t F^j = X_{t+j}
$$

and admits the moving average representation  $X_t = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} d_k \varepsilon_{t+k}$  with

$$
d_k = \begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} \lambda_1^{k+1} - \lambda_2^{k+1} \\ \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \end{array} 1_{\{k \ge 0\}}, & \text{if} \quad \lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2, \\ (k+1)\lambda^k 1_{\{k \ge 0\}}, & \text{if} \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda. \end{cases}
$$

where  $0<|\lambda_i|< 1$  for  $i=1,2$ 





## **Forecast of the first out-of-sample La Niña reversal**

#### **Table:** Forecasting out-of-sample El Niño and La Niña anomalies



For the 14 El Niño/La Niña occurrences, our procedure leads to

- an average error of 0.42 months in finding the peak date
- an average error of 0.57 months in finding the end date



## **Extensions**

## **A step toward multivariate**

A simple bi-dimensional process define  $(X_t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$  as

$$
\begin{cases}\nX_t &= (X_{1,t}, X_{2,t})', \\
X_{1,t} &= \rho_1 X_{1,t+1} + \varepsilon_{1,t}, \\
X_{2,t} &= \rho_2 X_{2,t-1} + \varepsilon_{2,t}, \\
\varepsilon_t &= (\varepsilon_{1,t}, \varepsilon_{2,t})'\n\end{cases}
$$

i.i.d. *S* $\alpha$ *S* with spectral measure  $\Gamma_2$  on  $S_2$  and zero shift vector



## **A step toward multivariate**





## **A step toward multivariate**



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## Thank for your attention!



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