

# Chapter 15

## The PDLREG Procedure

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# Chapter 15

## The PDLREG Procedure

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### Overview

The PDLREG procedure estimates regression models for time series data in which the effects of some of the regressor variables are distributed across time. The distributed lag model assumes that the effect of an input variable  $X$  on an output  $Y$  is distributed over time. If you change the value of  $X$  at time  $t$ ,  $Y$  will experience some immediate effect at time  $t$ , and it will also experience a delayed effect at times  $t + 1$ ,  $t + 2$ , and so on up to time  $t + p$  for some limit  $p$ .

The regression model supported by PROC PDLREG can include any number of regressors with distribution lags and any number of covariates. (Simple regressors without lag distributions are called covariates.) For example, the two-regressor model with a distributed lag effect for one regressor is written

$$y_t = \alpha + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_i x_{t-i} + \gamma z_t + u_t$$

Here,  $x_t$  is the regressor with a distributed lag effect,  $z_t$  is a simple covariate, and  $u_t$  is an error term.

The distribution of the lagged effects is modeled by Almon lag polynomials. The coefficients  $b_i$  of the lagged values of the regressor are assumed to lie on a polynomial curve. That is,

$$b_i = \alpha_0^* + \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j^* i^j$$

where  $d(\leq p)$  is the degree of the polynomial. For the numerically efficient estimation, the PDLREG procedure uses *orthogonal polynomials*. The preceding equation can be transformed into orthogonal polynomials.

$$b_i = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j f_j(i)$$

where  $f_j(i)$  is a polynomial of degree  $j$  in the lag length  $i$ , and  $\alpha_j$  is a coefficient estimated from the data.

The PDLREG procedure supports endpoint restrictions for the polynomial. That is, you can constrain the estimated polynomial lag distribution curve so that  $b_{-1} = 0$  or

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$b_{p+1} = 0$ , or both. You can also impose linear restrictions on the parameter estimates for the covariates.

You can specify a minimum degree and a maximum degree for the lag distribution polynomial, and the procedure fits polynomials for all degrees in the specified range. (However, if distributed lags are specified for more than one regressor, you can specify a range of degrees for only one of them.)

The PDLREG procedure can also test for autocorrelated residuals and perform autocorrelated error correction using the autoregressive error model. You can specify any order autoregressive error model and can specify several different estimation methods for the autoregressive model, including exact maximum likelihood.

The PDLREG procedure computes generalized Durbin-Watson statistics to test for autocorrelated residuals. For models with lagged dependent variables, the procedure can produce Durbin  $h$  and Durbin  $t$  statistics. You can request significance level  $p$ -values for the Durbin-Watson, Durbin  $h$ , and Durbin  $t$  statistics. See Chapter 8, “The AUTOREG Procedure,” for details about these statistics.

The PDLREG procedure assumes that the input observations form a time series. Thus, the PDLREG procedure should be used only for ordered and equally spaced time series data.

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## Getting Started

Use the MODEL statement to specify the regression model. The PDLREG procedure's MODEL statement is written like MODEL statements in other SAS regression procedures, except that a regressor can be followed by a lag distribution specification enclosed in parentheses.

For example, the following MODEL statement regresses Y on X and Z and specifies a distributed lag for X:

```
model y = x(4,2) z;
```

The notation X(4,2) specifies that the model includes X and 4 lags of X, with the coefficients of X and its lags constrained to follow a second-degree (quadratic) polynomial. Thus, the regression model specified by this MODEL statement is

$$y_t = a + b_0x_t + b_1x_{t-1} + b_2x_{t-2} + b_3x_{t-3} + b_4x_{t-4} + cz_t + u_t$$

$$b_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 f_1(i) + \alpha_2 f_2(i)$$

where  $f_1(i)$  is a polynomial of degree 1 in  $i$  and  $f_2(i)$  is a polynomial of degree 2 in  $i$ .

Lag distribution specifications are enclosed in parentheses and follow the name of the regressor variable. The general form of the lag distribution specification is

*regressor-name ( length, degree, minimum-degree, end-constraint )*

where:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>length</i>         | is the length of the lag distribution; that is, the number of lags of the regressor to use        |
| <i>degree</i>         | is the degree of the distribution polynomial  |
| <i>minimum-degree</i> | is an optional minimum degree for the distribution polynomial                                     |
| <i>end-constraint</i> | is an optional endpoint restriction specification, which can have the values FIRST, LAST, or BOTH |

If the *minimum-degree* option is specified, the PDLREG procedure estimates models for all degrees between *minimum-degree* and *degree*.

### Introductory Example

The following statements generate simulated data for variables Y and X. Y depends on the first three lags of X, with coefficients .25, .5, and .25. Thus, the effect of changes of X on Y takes effect 25% after one period, 75% after two periods, and 100% after three periods.

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```

data test;
  x11 = 0; x12 = 0; x13 = 0;
  do t = -3 to 100;
    x = ranuni(1234);
    y = 10 + .25 * x11 + .5 * x12 + .25 * x13 + .1 * rannor(1234);
    if t > 0 then output;
    x13 = x12; x12 = x11; x11 = x;
  end;
run;

```

The following statements use the PDLREG procedure to regress Y on a distributed lag of X. The length of the lag distribution is 4, and the degree of the distribution polynomial is specified as 3.

```

proc pdlreg data=test;
  model y = x( 4, 3 );
run;

```

The PDLREG procedure first prints a table of statistics for the residuals of the model, as shown in Figure 15.1. See Chapter 8 for an explanation of these statistics.

| The PDLREG Procedure             |            |                |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| Dependent Variable               |            | y              |            |
| Ordinary Least Squares Estimates |            |                |            |
| SSE                              | 0.86604442 | DFE            | 91         |
| MSE                              | 0.00952    | Root MSE       | 0.09755    |
| SBC                              | -156.72612 | AIC            | -169.54786 |
| Regress R-Square                 | 0.7711     | Total R-Square | 0.7711     |
| Durbin-Watson                    | 1.9920     |                |            |

**Figure 15.1.** Residual Statistics

The PDLREG procedure next prints a table of parameter estimates, standard errors, and *t*-tests, as shown in Figure 15.2.

| The PDLREG Procedure |    |          |                |         |                |
|----------------------|----|----------|----------------|---------|----------------|
| Variable             | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | t Value | Approx Pr >  t |
| Intercept            | 1  | 10.0030  | 0.0431         | 231.87  | <.0001         |
| x**0                 | 1  | 0.4406   | 0.0378         | 11.66   | <.0001         |
| x**1                 | 1  | 0.0113   | 0.0336         | 0.34    | 0.7377         |
| x**2                 | 1  | -0.4108  | 0.0322         | -12.75  | <.0001         |
| x**3                 | 1  | 0.0331   | 0.0392         | 0.84    | 0.4007         |

**Figure 15.2.** Parameter Estimates

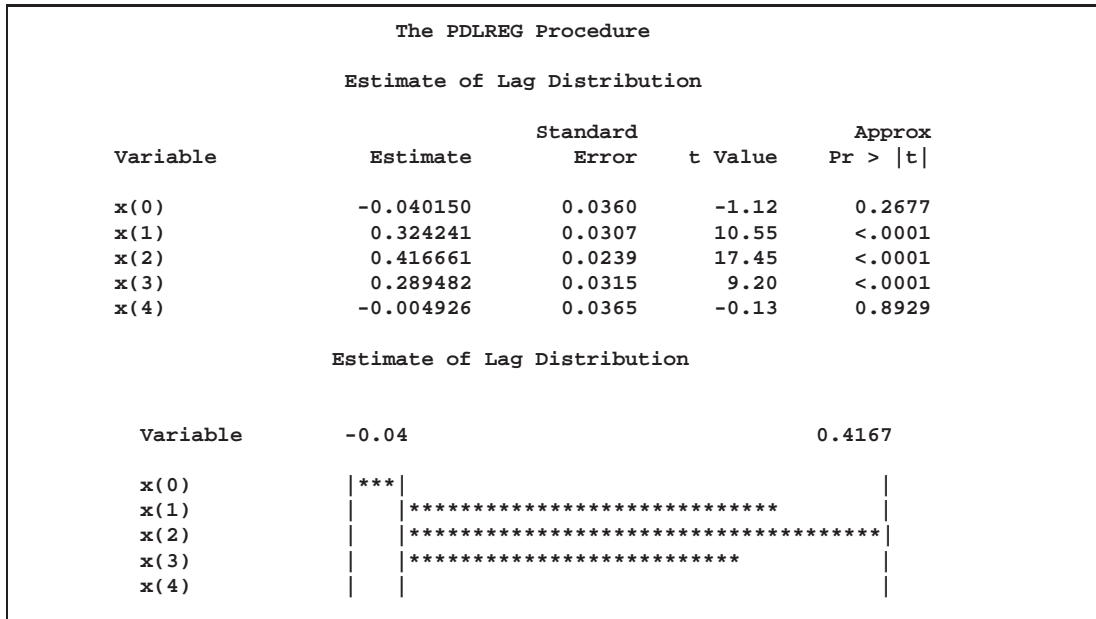
The preceding table shows the model intercept and the estimated parameters of the lag distribution polynomial. The parameter labeled X\*\*0 is the constant term,  $\alpha_0$ , of

the distribution polynomial.  $X^{**1}$  is the linear coefficient,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $X^{**2}$  is the quadratic coefficient,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $X^{**3}$  is the cubic coefficient,  $\alpha_3$ .

The parameter estimates for the distribution polynomial are not of interest in themselves. Since the PDLREG procedure does not print the orthogonal polynomial basis that it constructs to represent the distribution polynomial, these coefficient values cannot be interpreted.

However, because these estimates are for an orthogonal basis, you can use these results to test the degree of the polynomial. For example, this table shows that the  $X^{**3}$  estimate is not significant; the  $p$ -value for its  $t$  ratio is .4007, while the  $X^{**2}$  estimate is highly significant ( $p < .0001$ ). This indicates that a second-degree polynomial may be more appropriate for this data set.

The PDLREG procedure next prints the lag distribution coefficients and a graphical display of these coefficients, as shown in Figure 15.3.



**Figure 15.3.** Coefficients and Graph of Estimated Lag Distribution

The lag distribution coefficients are the coefficients of the lagged values of  $X$  in the regression model. These coefficients lie on the polynomial curve defined by the parameters shown in Figure 15.2. Note that the estimated values for  $X(1)$ ,  $X(2)$ , and  $X(3)$  are highly significant, while  $X(0)$  and  $X(4)$  are not significantly different from 0. These estimates are reasonably close to the true values used to generate the simulated data.

The graphical display of the lag distribution coefficients plots the estimated lag distribution polynomial reported in Figure 15.2. The roughly quadratic shape of this plot is another indication that a third-degree distribution curve is not needed for this data set.

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## Syntax

The following statements can be used with the PDLREG procedure:

```

PROC PDLREG option ;
  BY variables ;
  MODEL dependents = effects / options ;
  OUTPUT OUT= SAS-data-set keyword = variables ;
  RESTRICT restrictions ;

```

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## Functional Summary

The statements and options used with the PDLREG procedure are summarized in the following table:

| Description                                     | Statement | Option       |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| <b>Data Set Options</b>                         |           |              |
| specify the input data set                      | PDLREG    | DATA=        |
| write predicted values to an output data set    | OUTPUT    | OUT=         |
| <b>BY-Group Processing</b>                      |           |              |
| specify BY-group processing                     | BY        |              |
| <b>Printing Control Options</b>                 |           |              |
| request all print options                       | MODEL     | ALL          |
| print correlations of the estimates             | MODEL     | CORRB        |
| print covariances of the estimates              | MODEL     | COVB         |
| print DW statistics up to order <i>j</i>        | MODEL     | DW= <i>j</i> |
| print the marginal probability of DW statistics | MODEL     | DWPROB       |
| print inverse of the crossproducts matrix       | MODEL     | I            |
| print details at each iteration step            | MODEL     | ITPRINT      |
| print Durbin <i>t</i> statistic                 | MODEL     | LAGDEP       |
| print Durbin <i>h</i> statistic                 | MODEL     | LAGDEP=      |
| suppress printed output                         | MODEL     | NOPRINT      |
| print partial autocorrelations                  | MODEL     | PARTIAL      |
| print standardized parameter estimates          | MODEL     | STB          |
| print crossproducts matrix                      | MODEL     | XPX          |
| <b>Model Estimation Options</b>                 |           |              |
| specify order of autoregressive process         | MODEL     | NLAG=        |
| suppress intercept parameter                    | MODEL     | NOINT        |
| specify convergence criterion                   | MODEL     | CONVERGE=    |
| specify maximum number of iterations            | MODEL     | MAXITER=     |
| specify estimation method                       | MODEL     | METHOD=      |



| Description   | Statement | Option     |
|---|-----------|------------|
| <b>Output Control Options</b>                                     |           |            |
| specify confidence limit size                                     | OUTPUT    | ALPHACLI=  |
| specify confidence limit size for structural predicted values     | OUTPUT    | ALPHACLM=  |
| output transformed intercept variable                             | OUTPUT    | CONSTANT=  |
| output lower confidence limit for predicted values                | OUTPUT    | LCL=       |
| output lower confidence limit for structural predicted values     | OUTPUT    | LCLM=      |
| output predicted values   | OUTPUT    | P=         |
| output predicted values of the structural part                    | OUTPUT    | PM=        |
| output residuals from the predicted values                        | OUTPUT    | R=         |
| output residuals from the structural predicted values             | OUTPUT    | RM=        |
| output transformed variables                                      | OUTPUT    | TRANSFORM= |
| output upper confidence limit for the predicted values            | OUTPUT    | UCL=       |
| output upper confidence limit for the structural predicted values | OUTPUT    | UCLM=      |

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## PROC PDLREG Statement

**PROC PDLREG** *option* ;

The PROC PDLREG statement has the following option:

**DATA=** *SAS-data-set*

specifies the name of the SAS data set containing the input data. If you do not specify the DATA= option, the most recently created SAS data set is used.

In addition, you can place any of the following MODEL statement options in the PROC PDLREG statement, which is equivalent to specifying the option for every MODEL statement: ALL, CONVERGE=, CORRB, COVB, DW=, DWPROB, IT-PRINT, MAXITER=, METHOD=, NOINT, NOPRINT, and PARTIAL.

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## BY Statement

**BY** *variables* ;

A BY statement can be used with PROC PDLREG to obtain separate analyses on observations in groups defined by the BY variables.

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## MODEL Statement

**MODEL** *dependent = effects / options ;*

The MODEL statement specifies the regression model. The keyword MODEL is followed by the dependent variable name, an equal sign, and a list of independent effects. Only one MODEL statement is allowed.

Every variable in the model must be a numeric variable in the input data set. Specify an independent effect with a variable name optionally followed by a polynomial lag distribution specification.

### **Specifying Independent Effects**

The general form of an effect is

*variable ( length, degree, minimum-degree, constraint )*

The term in parentheses following the variable name specifies a polynomial distributed lag (PDL) for the variable. The PDL specification is as follows:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>length</i>         | specifies the number of lags of the variable to include in the lag distribution.  |
| <i>degree</i>         | specifies the maximum degree of the distribution polynomial. If not specified, the degree defaults to the lag length.   |
| <i>minimum-degree</i> | specifies the minimum degree of the polynomial. By default <i>minimum-degree</i> is the same as <i>degree</i> .   |
| <i>constraint</i>     | specifies endpoint restrictions on the polynomial. The value of <i>constraint</i> can be FIRST, LAST, or BOTH. If a value is not specified, there are no endpoint restrictions. |

If you do not specify the *degree* or *minimum-degree* parameter, but you do specify endpoint restrictions, you must use commas to show which parameter, *degree* or *minimum-degree*, is left out.

### **MODEL Statement Options**

The following options can appear in the MODEL statement after a slash (/):

#### **ALL**

prints all the matrices computed during the analysis of the model.

#### **CORRB**

prints the matrix of estimated correlations between the parameter estimates.

#### **COVB**

prints the matrix of estimated covariances between the parameter estimates.

**DW= *j***

prints the generalized Durbin-Watson statistics up to the order of *j*. The default is DW=1. When you specify the LAGDEP or LAGDEP=*name* option, the Durbin-Watson statistic is not printed unless you specify the DW= option.

**DWPROB**

prints the marginal probability of the Durbin-Watson statistic.

**CONVERGE= *value***

sets the convergence criterion. If the maximum absolute value of the change in the autoregressive parameter estimates between iterations is less than this amount, then convergence is assumed. The default is CONVERGE=.001.

**I**

prints  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ , the inverse of the crossproducts matrix for the model; or, if restrictions are specified, prints  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$  adjusted for the restrictions.

**ITPRINT**

prints information on each iteration.

**LAGDEP****LAGDV**

prints the *t* statistic for testing residual autocorrelation when regressors contain lagged dependent variables.

**LAGDEP= *name*****LAGDV= *name***

prints the Durbin *h* statistic for testing the presence of first-order autocorrelation when regressors contain the lagged dependent variable whose name is specified as LAGDEP=*name*. When the *h* statistic cannot be computed, the asymptotically equivalent *t* statistic is given.

**MAXITER= *number***

sets the maximum number of iterations allowed. The default is MAXITER=50.

**METHOD= *value***

specifies the type of estimates for the autoregressive component. The values of the METHOD= option are as follows:

METHOD=ML specifies the maximum likelihood method

METHOD=ULS specifies unconditional least squares

METHOD=YW specifies the Yule-Walker method

METHOD=ITYW specifies iterative Yule-Walker estimates

The default is METHOD=ML if you specified the LAGDEP or LAGDEP= option; otherwise, METHOD=YW is the default.

**NLAG= *m*****NLAG= ( *number-list* )**

specifies the order of the autoregressive process or the subset of autoregressive lags to be fit. If you do not specify the NLAG= option, PROC PDLREG does not fit an autoregressive model.

**NOINT**

suppresses the intercept parameter from the model.

**NOPRINT**

suppresses the printed output.

**PARTIAL**

prints partial autocorrelations if the NLAG= option is specified.

**STB**

prints standardized parameter estimates. Sometimes known as a standard partial regression coefficient, a *standardized parameter estimate* is a parameter estimate multiplied by the standard deviation of the associated regressor and divided by the standard deviation of the regressed variable.

**XPX**

prints the crossproducts matrix,  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ , used for the model.  $\mathbf{X}$  refers to the transformed matrix of regressors for the regression.

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## OUTPUT Statement

**OUTPUT** *OUT= SAS-data-set keyword=option ... ;*

The OUTPUT statement creates an output SAS data set with variables as specified by the following keyword options. The associated computations for these options are described in the section "Predicted Values" in Chapter 8.

**ALPHACLI=** *number*

sets the confidence limit size for the estimates of future values of the current realization of the response time series to *number*, where *number* is less than one and greater than zero. The resulting confidence interval has  $1-\textit{number}$  confidence. The default value for *number* is .05, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval.

**ALPHACLM=** *number*

sets the confidence limit size for the estimates of the structural or regression part of the model to *number*, where *number* is less than one and greater than zero. The resulting confidence interval has  $1-\textit{number}$  confidence. The default value for *number* is .05, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval.

**OUT=** *SAS-data-set*

names the output data.

The following specifications are of the form *KEYWORD=names*, where *KEYWORD=* specifies the statistic to include in the output data set and *names* gives names to the variables that contain the statistics.

**CONSTANT=** *variable*

writes the transformed intercept to the output data set.

**LCL= name**

requests that the lower confidence limit for the predicted value (specified in the PREDICTED= option) be added to the output data set under the name given.

**LCLM= name**

requests that the lower confidence limit for the structural predicted value (specified in the PREDICTEDM= option) be added to the output data set under the name given.

**PREDICTED= name****P=name**

stores the predicted values in the output data set under the name given.

**PREDICTEDM= name****PM= name**

stores the structural predicted values in the output data set under the name given. These values are formed from only the structural part of the model.

**RESIDUAL= name****R= name**

stores the residuals from the predicted values based on both the structural and time series parts of the model in the output data set under the name given.

**RESIDUALM= name****RM= name**

requests that the residuals from the structural prediction be given.

**TRANSFORM= variables**

requests that the specified variables from the input data set be transformed by the autoregressive model and put in the output data set. If you need to reproduce the data suitable for reestimation, you must also transform an intercept variable. To do this, transform a variable that only takes the value 1 or use the CONSTANT= option.

**UCL= name**

stores the upper confidence limit for the predicted value (specified in the PREDICTED= option) in the output data set under the name given.

**UCLM= name**

stores the upper confidence limit for the structural predicted value (specified in the PREDICTEDM= option) in the output data set under the name given.

For example, the SAS statements

```
proc pdlreg data=a;
  model y=x1 x2;
  output out=b p=yhat r=resid;
```

create an output data set named B. In addition to the input data set variables, the data set B contains the variable YHAT, whose values are predicted values of the dependent variable Y, and RESID, whose values are the residual values of Y.

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## RESTRICT Statement

**RESTRICT** *equation* , ... , *equation* ;

The RESTRICT statement places restrictions on the parameter estimates for covariates in the preceding MODEL statement. A parameter produced by a distributed lag cannot be restricted with the RESTRICT statement.

Each restriction is written as a linear equation. If you specify more than one restriction in a RESTRICT statement, the restrictions are separated by commas.

You can refer to parameters by the name of the corresponding regressor variable. Each name used in the equation must be a regressor in the preceding MODEL statement. Use the keyword INTERCEPT to refer to the intercept parameter in the model.

RESTRICT statements can be given labels. You can use labels to distinguish results for different restrictions in the printed output. Labels are specified as follows:

*label* : **RESTRICT** ... ;

The following is an example of the use of the RESTRICT statement, in which the coefficients of the regressors X1 and X2 are required to sum to 1.

```
proc pdlreg data=a;
  model y = x1 x2;
  restrict x1 + x2 = 1;
run;
```

Parameter names can be multiplied by constants. When no equal sign appears, the linear combination is set equal to 0. Note that the parameters associated with the variables are restricted, not the variables themselves. Here are some examples of valid RESTRICT statements:

```
restrict x1 + x2 = 1;
restrict x1 + x2 - 1;
restrict 2 * x1 = x2 + x3 , intercept + x4 = 0;
restrict x1 = x2 = x3 = 1;
restrict 2 * x1 - x2;
```

Restricted parameter estimates are computed by introducing a Lagrangian parameter  $\lambda$  for each restriction (Pringle and Raynor 1971). The estimates of these Lagrangian parameters are printed in the parameter estimates table. If a restriction cannot be applied, its parameter value and degrees of freedom are listed as 0.

The Lagrangian parameter,  $\lambda$ , measures the sensitivity of the SSE to the restriction. If the restriction is changed by a small amount  $\epsilon$ , the SSE is changed by  $2\lambda\epsilon$ .

The *t* ratio tests the significance of the restrictions. If  $\lambda$  is zero, the restricted estimates are the same as the unrestricted ones.

You can specify any number of restrictions on a RESTRICT statement, and you can use any number of RESTRICT statements. The estimates are computed subject to all restrictions specified. However, restrictions should be consistent and not redundant.

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## Details

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### Missing Values

The PDLREG procedure skips any observations at the beginning of the data set that have missing values. The procedure uses all observations with nonmissing values for all the independent and dependent variables such that the lag distribution has sufficient nonmissing lagged independent variables.

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### Polynomial Distributed Lag Estimation

The simple finite distributed lag model is expressed in the form

$$y_t = \alpha + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_i x_{t-i} + \epsilon_t$$

When the lag length ( $p$ ) is long, severe multicollinearity can occur. Use the Almon or *polynomial distributed lag* model to avoid this problem, since the relatively low degree  $d$  ( $\leq p$ ) polynomials can capture the true lag distribution. The lag coefficient can be written in the Almon polynomial lag

$$\beta_i = \alpha_0^* + \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j^* i^j$$

Emerson (1968) proposed an efficient method of constructing orthogonal polynomials from the preceding polynomial equation as

$$\beta_i = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^d \alpha_j f_j(i)$$

where  $f_j(i)$  is a polynomial of degree  $j$  in the lag length  $i$ . The polynomials  $f_j(i)$  are chosen so that they are orthogonal:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i f_j(i) f_k(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = k \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq k \end{cases}$$

where  $w_i$  is the weighting factor, and  $n = p + 1$ . PROC PDLREG uses the equal weights ( $w_i = 1$ ) for all  $i$ . To construct the orthogonal polynomials, the following recursive relation is used:

$$f_j(i) = (A_j i + B_j) f_{j-1}(i) - C_j f_{j-2}(i) \quad j = 1, \dots, d$$

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The constants  $A_j$ ,  $B_j$ , and  $C_j$  are determined as follows:

$$A_j = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i i^2 f_{j-1}^2(i) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i i f_{j-1}^2(i) \right)^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i i f_{j-1}(i) f_{j-2}(i) \right)^2 \right\}^{-1/2}$$
$$B_j = -A_j \sum_{i=1}^n w_i i f_{j-1}^2(i)$$
$$C_j = A_j \sum_{i=1}^n w_i i f_{j-1}(i) f_{j-2}(i)$$

where  $f_{-1}(i) = 0$  and  $f_0(i) = 1/\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i}$ .

PROC PDLREG estimates the orthogonal polynomial coefficients,  $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_d$ , to compute the coefficient estimate of each independent variable (X) with distributed lags. For example, if an independent variable is specified as X(9,3), a third-degree polynomial is used to specify the distributed lag coefficients. The third-degree polynomial is fit as a constant term, a linear term, a quadratic term, and a cubic term. The four terms are constructed to be orthogonal. In the output produced by the PDLREG procedure for this case, parameter estimates with names X\*\*0, X\*\*1, X\*\*2, and X\*\*3 correspond to  $\hat{\alpha}_0, \hat{\alpha}_1, \hat{\alpha}_2$ , and  $\hat{\alpha}_3$ , respectively. A test using the  $t$  statistic and the approximate  $p$ -value (“Approx Pr > | $t$ ””) associated with X\*\*3 can determine whether a second-degree polynomial rather than a third-degree polynomial is appropriate. The estimates of the ten lag coefficients associated with the specification X(9,3) are labeled X(0), X(1), X(2), X(3), X(4), X(5), X(6), X(7), X(8), and X(9).

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## Autoregressive Error Model Estimation

The PDLREG procedure uses the same autoregressive error model estimation methods as the AUTOREG procedure. These two procedures share the same computational resources for computing estimates. See Chapter 8 for details about estimation methods for autoregressive error models.

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## OUT= Data Set

The OUT= data set produced by the PDLREG procedure’s OUTPUT statement is similar in form to the OUT= data set produced by the AUTOREG procedure. See Chapter 8 for details on the OUT= data set.



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## Printed Output

The PDLREG procedure prints the following items:

1. the name of the dependent variable
2. the ordinary least squares (OLS) estimates
3. the estimates of autocorrelations and of the autocovariance, and if line size permits, a graph of the autocorrelation at each lag. The autocorrelation for lag 0 is 1. These items are printed if you specify the NLAG= option.
4. the partial autocorrelations if the PARTIAL and NLAG= options are specified. The first partial autocorrelation is the autocorrelation for lag 1.
5. the preliminary mean square error, which results from solving the Yule-Walker equations if you specify the NLAG= option
6. the estimates of the autoregressive parameters, their standard errors, and the ratios of estimates to standard errors ( $t$ ) if you specify the NLAG= option
7. the statistics of fit for the final model if you specify the NLAG= option. These include the error sum of squares (SSE), the degrees of freedom for error (DFE), the mean square error (MSE), the root mean square error (Root MSE), the Schwarz information criterion (SBC), the Akaike's information criterion (AIC), the regression  $R^2$  (Regress R-Square), the total  $R^2$  (Total R-Square), and the Durbin-Watson statistic (Durbin-Watson). See Chapter 8 for details of the regression  $R^2$  and the total  $R^2$ .
8. the parameter estimates for the structural model (B), a standard error estimate, the ratio of estimate to standard error ( $t$ ), and an approximation to the significance probability for the parameter being 0 ("Approx Pr > | $t$ |")
9. a plot of the lag distribution (estimate of lag distribution)
10. the covariance matrix of the parameter estimates if the COVB option is specified

## ODS Table Names

PROC PDLREG assigns a name to each table it creates. You can use these names to reference the table when using the Output Delivery System (ODS) to select tables and create output data sets. These names are listed in the following table. For more information on ODS, see Chapter 6, “Using the Output Delivery System.”

**Table 15.1.** ODS Tables Produced in PROC PDLREG

| ODS Table Name                                      | Description  | Option      |
|---|--|-------------|
| <b>ODS Tables Created by the MODEL Statement</b>    |  |             |
| ARParameterEstimates                                | Estimates of Autoregressive Parameters               | NLAG=       |
| CholeskyFactor                                      | Cholesky Root of Gamma                               |             |
| Coefficients  | Coefficients for First NLAG Observations             | NLAG=       |
| ConvergenceStatus                                   | Convergence Status table                             | default     |
| CorrB   | Correlation of Parameter Estimates                   | CORRB       |
| CorrGraph   | Estimates of Autocorrelations                        | NLAG=       |
| CovB  | Covariance of Parameter Estimates                    | COVB        |
| DependenceEquations                                 | Linear dependence equation                           |             |
| Dependent   | Dependent variable                                   | default     |
| DWTest  | Durbin-Watson Statistics                             | DW=         |
| ExpAutocorr   | Expected Autocorrelations                            | NLAG=       |
| FitSummary  | Summary of regression                                | default     |
| GammaInverse  | Gamma Inverse  |             |
| IterHistory   | Iteration History                                    | ITPRINT     |
| LagDist   | Lag Distribution                                     | ALL         |
| ParameterEstimates                                  | Parameter Estimates                                  | default     |
| ParameterEstimatesGivenAR                           | Parameter estimates assuming AR parameters are given | NLAG=       |
| PartialAutoCorr                                     | Partial autocorrelation                              | PARTIAL     |
| PreMSE  | Preliminary MSE                                      | NLAG=       |
| XPXIMatrix  | Inverse X'X Matrix                                   | XPX         |
| XPXMatrix   | X'X Matrix   | XPX         |
| YWIterSSE   | Yule-Walker iteration sum of squared error           | METHOD=ITYW |
| <b>ODS Tables Created by the RESTRICT Statement</b> |  |             |
| Restrict  | Restriction table                                    | default     |

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## Examples

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### Example 15.1. Industrial Conference Board Data

In the following example, a second-degree Almon polynomial lag model is fit to a model with a five-period lag, and dummy variables are used for quarter effects. The PDL model is estimated using capital appropriations data series for the period 1952 to 1967. The estimation model is written

$$CE_t = a_0 + b_1Q1_t + b_2Q2_t + b_3Q3_t + c_0CA_t + c_1CA_{t-1} + \dots + c_5CA_{t-5}$$

where CE represents capital expenditures and CA represents capital appropriations.

```

title 'National Industrial Conference Board Data';
title2 'Quarterly Series - 1952Q1 to 1967Q4';

data a;
  input ce ca @@;
  qtr = mod( _n_-1, 4 ) + 1;
  q1 = qtr=1;
  q2 = qtr=2;
  q3 = qtr=3;
cards;
2072 1660 2077 1926 2078 2181 2043 1897 2062 1695
2067 1705 1964 1731 1981 2151 1914 2556 1991 3152
2129 3763 2309 3903 2614 3912 2896 3571 3058 3199
3309 3262 3446 3476 3466 2993 3435 2262 3183 2011
2697 1511 2338 1631 2140 1990 2012 1993 2071 2520
2192 2804 2240 2919 2421 3024 2639 2725 2733 2321
2721 2131 2640 2552 2513 2234 2448 2282 2429 2533
2516 2517 2534 2772 2494 2380 2596 2568 2572 2944
2601 2629 2648 3133 2840 3449 2937 3764 3136 3983
3299 4381 3514 4786 3815 4094 4093 4870 4262 5344
4531 5433 4825 5911 5160 6109 5319 6542 5574 5785
5749 5707 5715 5412 5637 5465 5383 5550 5467 5465
;

proc pdlreg data=a;
  model ce = q1 q2 q3 ca(5,2) / dwprob;
run;

```

The printed output produced by the PDLREG procedure is shown in Output 15.1.1. The small Durbin-Watson test indicates autoregressive errors.

Output 15.1.1. Printed Output Produced by PROC PDLREG

```

National Industrial Conference Board Data
Quarterly Series - 1952Q1 to 1967Q4

The PDLREG Procedure

Dependent Variable   ce

Ordinary Least Squares Estimates

SSE                1205186.4    DFE                48
MSE                 25108        Root MSE           158.45520
SBC                 733.84921    AIC                719.797878
Regress R-Square   0.9834        Total R-Square     0.9834
Durbin-Watson      0.6157        Pr < DW            <.0001
Pr > DW            1.0000

Variable           DF      Estimate      Standard      t Value      Approx
                  DF      Estimate      Error         Pr > |t|

Intercept          1      210.0109     73.2524       2.87         0.0061
q1                  1     -10.5515     61.0634      -0.17        0.8635
q2                  1     -20.9887     59.9386      -0.35        0.7277
q3                  1     -30.4337     59.9004      -0.51        0.6137
ca**0              1       0.3760     0.007318     51.38        <.0001
ca**1              1       0.1297     0.0251       5.16         <.0001
ca**2              1       0.0247     0.0593       0.42         0.6794

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable           Estimate      Standard      t Value      Approx
                  Estimate      Error         Pr > |t|

ca(0)              0.089467     0.0360       2.49         0.0165
ca(1)              0.104317     0.0109       9.56         <.0001
ca(2)              0.127237     0.0255       5.00         <.0001
ca(3)              0.158230     0.0254       6.24         <.0001
ca(4)              0.197294     0.0112      17.69         <.0001
ca(5)              0.244429     0.0370       6.60         <.0001

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable           0                0.2444

ca(0)              |*****|
ca(1)              |*****|
ca(2)              |*****|
ca(3)              |*****|
ca(4)              |*****|
ca(5)              |*****|
    
```

The following statements use the REG procedure to fit the same polynomial distributed lag model. A DATA step computes lagged values of the regressor X, and RESTRICT statements are used to impose the polynomial lag distribution. Refer to Judge, Griffiths, Hill, Lutkepohl, and Lee (1985, pp 357–359) for the restricted least squares estimation of the Almon distributed lag model.

```

data b;
  set a;
  ca_1 = lag( ca );
  ca_2 = lag2( ca );
  ca_3 = lag3( ca );
  ca_4 = lag4( ca );
  ca_5 = lag5( ca );
run;

proc reg data=b;
  model ce = q1 q2 q3 ca ca_1 ca_2 ca_3 ca_4 ca_5;
  restrict - ca + 5*ca_1 - 10*ca_2 + 10*ca_3 - 5*ca_4 + ca_5;
  restrict ca - 3*ca_1 + 2*ca_2 + 2*ca_3 - 3*ca_4 + ca_5;
  restrict -5*ca + 7*ca_1 + 4*ca_2 - 4*ca_3 - 7*ca_4 + 5*ca_5;
run;

```

The REG procedure output is shown in Output 15.1.2.

**Output 15.1.2.** Printed Output Produced by PROC REG

| The REG Procedure      |    |                    |                |         |         |
|------------------------|----|--------------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Model: MODEL1          |    |                    |                |         |         |
| Dependent Variable: ce |    |                    |                |         |         |
| Analysis of Variance   |    |                    |                |         |         |
| Source                 | DF | Sum of Squares     | Mean Square    | F Value | Pr > F  |
| Model                  | 6  | 71343377           | 11890563       | 473.58  | <.0001  |
| Error                  | 48 | 1205186            | 25108          |         |         |
| Corrected Total        | 54 | 72548564           |                |         |         |
| Root MSE               |    | 158.45520          | R-Square       | 0.9834  |         |
| Dependent Mean         |    | 3185.69091         | Adj R-Sq       | 0.9813  |         |
| Coeff Var              |    | 4.97397            |                |         |         |
| Parameter Estimates    |    |                    |                |         |         |
| Variable               | DF | Parameter Estimate | Standard Error | t Value | Pr >  t |
| Intercept              | 1  | 210.01094          | 73.25236       | 2.87    | 0.0061  |
| q1                     | 1  | -10.55151          | 61.06341       | -0.17   | 0.8635  |
| q2                     | 1  | -20.98869          | 59.93860       | -0.35   | 0.7277  |
| q3                     | 1  | -30.43374          | 59.90045       | -0.51   | 0.6137  |
| ca                     | 1  | 0.08947            | 0.03599        | 2.49    | 0.0165  |
| ca_1                   | 1  | 0.10432            | 0.01091        | 9.56    | <.0001  |
| ca_2                   | 1  | 0.12724            | 0.02547        | 5.00    | <.0001  |
| ca_3                   | 1  | 0.15823            | 0.02537        | 6.24    | <.0001  |
| ca_4                   | 1  | 0.19729            | 0.01115        | 17.69   | <.0001  |
| ca_5                   | 1  | 0.24443            | 0.03704        | 6.60    | <.0001  |
| RESTRICT               | -1 | 623.63242          | 12697          | 0.05    | 0.9614* |
| RESTRICT               | -1 | 18933              | 44803          | 0.42    | 0.6772* |
| RESTRICT               | -1 | 10303              | 18422          | 0.56    | 0.5814* |

\* Probability computed using beta distribution.

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## Example 15.2. Money Demand Model

This example estimates the demand for money using the following dynamic specification:

$$m_t = a_0 + b_0 m_{t-1} + \sum_{i=0}^5 c_i y_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^2 d_i r_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^3 f_i p_{t-i} + u_t$$

where

$m_t$  =log of real money stock (M1)

$y_t$  =log of real GNP

$r_t$  =interest rate (commercial paper rate)

$p_t$  =inflation rate

$c_i, d_i,$  and  $f_i$  ( $i > 0$ ) are coefficients for the lagged variables

The following DATA step reads the data and transforms the real money and real GNP variables using the natural logarithm. Refer to Balke and Gordon (1986) for a description of the data.

```
data a;
  input m1 gnp gdf r @@;
  m   = log( 100 * m1 / gdf );
  lagm = lag( m );
  y   = log( gnp );
  p   = log( gdf / lag( gdf ) );
  date = intnx( 'qtr', '1jan1968'd, _n_-1 );
  format date yyqc6.;
  label m      = 'Real Money Stock (M1)'
        lagm  = 'Lagged Real Money Stock'
        y     = 'Real GNP'
        r     = 'Commercial Paper Rate'
        p     = 'Inflation Rate';
cards;
  ... data lines are omitted ...
;

proc print data=a(obs=5);
  var date m lagm y r p;
run;
```

Output 15.2.1 shows a partial list of the data set.

**Output 15.2.1.** Partial List of the Data Set A

| Obs | date   | m       | lagm    | y       | r    | p        |
|-----|--------|---------|---------|---------|------|----------|
| 1   | 1968:1 | 5.44041 | .       | 6.94333 | 5.58 | .        |
| 2   | 1968:2 | 5.44732 | 5.44041 | 6.96226 | 6.08 | 0.011513 |
| 3   | 1968:3 | 5.45815 | 5.44732 | 6.97422 | 5.96 | 0.008246 |
| 4   | 1968:4 | 5.46492 | 5.45815 | 6.97661 | 5.96 | 0.014865 |
| 5   | 1969:1 | 5.46980 | 5.46492 | 6.98855 | 6.66 | 0.011005 |

The regression model is written for the PDLREG procedure with a MODEL statement. The LAGDEP= option is specified to test for the serial correlation in disturbances since regressors contain the lagged dependent variable LAGM.

```

title 'Money Demand Estimation using Distributed Lag Model';
title2 'Quarterly Data - 1968Q2 to 1983Q4';

proc pdlreg data=a;
  model m = lagm y(5,3) r(2, , ,first) p(3,2) / lagdep=lagm;
run;

```

The estimated model is shown in Output 15.2.2 and Output 15.2.3.

Output 15.2.2. Parameter Estimates

| Money Demand Estimation using Distributed Lag Model |            |                       |                |         |                |
|---|------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|
| Quarterly Data - 1968Q2 to 1983Q4                   |            |                       |                |         |                |
| The PDLREG Procedure                                |            |                       |                |         |                |
| Dependent Variable                                  |            | m                     |                |         |                |
|   |            | Real Money Stock (M1) |                |         |                |
| Ordinary Least Squares Estimates                    |            |                       |                |         |                |
| SSE   | 0.00169815 | DFE                   | 48             |         |                |
| MSE   | 0.0000354  | Root MSE              | 0.00595        |         |                |
| SBC   | -404.60169 | AIC                   | -427.4546      |         |                |
| Regress R-Square                                    | 0.9712     | Total R-Square        | 0.9712         |         |                |
| Durbin h  | -0.7533    | Pr < h                | 0.2256         |         |                |
| Variable  | DF         | Estimate              | Standard Error | t Value | Approx Pr >  t |
| Intercept   | 1          | -0.1407               | 0.2625         | -0.54   | 0.5943         |
| lagm  | 1          | 0.9875                | 0.0425         | 23.21   | <.0001         |
| y**0  | 1          | 0.0132                | 0.004531       | 2.91    | 0.0055         |
| y**1  | 1          | -0.0704               | 0.0528         | -1.33   | 0.1891         |
| y**2  | 1          | 0.1261                | 0.0786         | 1.60    | 0.1154         |
| y**3  | 1          | -0.4089               | 0.1265         | -3.23   | 0.0022         |
| r**0  | 1          | -0.000186             | 0.000336       | -0.55   | 0.5816         |
| r**1  | 1          | 0.002200              | 0.000774       | 2.84    | 0.0065         |
| r**2  | 1          | 0.000788              | 0.000249       | 3.16    | 0.0027         |
| p**0  | 1          | -0.6602               | 0.1132         | -5.83   | <.0001         |
| p**1  | 1          | 0.4036                | 0.2321         | 1.74    | 0.0885         |
| p**2  | 1          | -1.0064               | 0.2288         | -4.40   | <.0001         |
| Restriction   | DF         | L Value               | Standard Error | t Value | Approx Pr >  t |
| r(-1)   | -1         | 0.0164                | 0.007275       | 2.26    | 0.0223         |



Output 15.2.3. Estimates for Lagged Variables

```

Money Demand Estimation using Distributed Lag Model
Quarterly Data - 1968Q2 to 1983Q4

The PDLREG Procedure

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          Estimate          Standard
                  Error          t Value          Approx
                  Error          Pr > |t|

y(0)              0.268619         0.0910           2.95            0.0049
y(1)             -0.196484         0.0612          -3.21            0.0024
y(2)             -0.163148         0.0537          -3.04            0.0038
y(3)              0.063850         0.0451           1.42            0.1632
y(4)              0.179733         0.0588           3.06            0.0036
y(5)             -0.120276         0.0679          -1.77            0.0827

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          -0.196           0           0.2686

y(0)              |*****|*****|
y(1)              |*****|*****|
y(2)              |*****|*****|
y(3)              |*****|*****|
y(4)              |*****|*****|
y(5)              |*****|*****|

```

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Quarterly Data - 1968Q2 to 1983Q4

The PDLREG Procedure

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          Estimate          Standard
                  Error          t Value          Approx
                  Pr > |t|

r(0)              -0.001341         0.000388         -3.45           0.0012
r(1)              -0.000751         0.000234         -3.22           0.0023
r(2)              0.001770         0.000754         2.35           0.0230

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          -0.001          0          0.0018

r(0)              |*****|
r(1)              |*****|
r(2)              |*****|

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          Estimate          Standard
                  Error          t Value          Approx
                  Pr > |t|

p(0)              -1.104051         0.2027          -5.45           <.0001
p(1)              0.082892          0.1257           0.66           0.5128
p(2)              0.263391          0.1381           1.91           0.0624
p(3)              -0.562556         0.2076          -2.71           0.0093

Estimate of Lag Distribution

Variable          -1.104          0          0.2634

p(0)              |*****|
p(1)              |*****|
p(2)              |*****|
p(3)              |*****|

```

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