Solution to Exercise 9.10

*9.10 Give the explicit form of the $n \times n$ matrix U(j) for which $\hat{\Gamma}(j)$, defined in (9.36), takes the form $n^{-1} W^{\top} U(j) W$.

A typical element of $n^{-1} \boldsymbol{W}^{\top} \boldsymbol{U}(j) \boldsymbol{W}$ is

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\sum_{s=1}^{n}W_{ti}W_{tk}U_{ts}(j)$$
(S9.26)

If we make the definition

$$U_{t,t-j}(j) = \hat{u}_t \hat{u}_{t-j}, \text{ for } t = j+1, \dots, n, \ U_{ts}(j) = 0 \text{ otherwise},$$
 (S9.27)

then (S9.26) becomes

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=j+1}^{n} W_{ti} W_{t-j,k} \hat{u}_t \hat{u}_{t-j},$$

which is a typical element of $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}}(j)$ as defined in (9.36). Thus (S9.27) provides the form of the matrix $\boldsymbol{U}(j)$ asked for in the question.