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## Time Series Analysis

#### 1.1 Introduction

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**Definition 1.1** (Time Series). A set of observations  $(X_t)$ , each being recorded at a predictable time  $t \in T_0$ .

In a continuous time series,  $T_0$  is continuous. In a discrete time series,  $T_0$  is discrete.

**Definition 1.2** (Time Series Model). Specification of joint distribution (or only means and covariances) of a sequence of random variables of which  $X_t$  is a realization.

**Remark 1.3.** A complete probability model specifies the joint distribution of all the random variables  $X_t$ ,  $t \in T$ .

This often requires too many estimators, so we only specify the first and second order moments.

**Example 1.4.** When  $X_t$  is multivariate IID -

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n F(x_i)$$
 (1.1)

Example 1.5. First order moving average model

**Example 1.6.** *Trend and seasonal component.* 

#### 1.2 Stationary Processes

Intuitively, a stationary time series is one where the joint distribution is invariant to time shifts.

**Definition 1.7** (Mean, Covariance function). Define the mean function  $\mu_X(t) = \mathbb{E}(X_t)$ .

Define the covariance function  $\gamma_X(t,s) = \text{Cov}(X_t,X_s) = \mathbb{E}((X_t - \mu_X(t))(X_s - \mu_X(s))).$ 

**Definition 1.8** (Weak Stationarity). A time series  $X_t$  is stationary if

- (i)  $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|^2) < \infty$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$
- (ii)  $\mathbb{E}(X_t) = c$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$
- (iii)  $\gamma_X(t,s) = \gamma_X(t+h,s+h)$  for all  $t,s,h \in \mathbb{Z}$

**Definition 1.9** (Strict Stationarity). A time series  $X_t$  is said to be strict stationary if the joint distributions of  $X_{t_1,...,X_{t_k}}$  and  $X_{t_1+h},...,X_{t_k+h}$  are identical for all k and for all  $t_1,...,t_k,h \in Z$ .

**Definition 1.10** (Autocovariance function). For a stationary time series  $X_t$ , define the autocovariance function

$$\gamma_X(t) = \operatorname{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t). \tag{1.2}$$

and the autocorrelation function

$$\rho_X(h) = \frac{\gamma_X(h)}{\gamma_X(0)}. (1.3)$$

Lemma 1.11 (Properties of the autocovariance function).

$$\gamma(0) \ge 0 \tag{1.4}$$

$$|\gamma(h)| \le \gamma(0) \tag{1.5}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \gamma(-h) \tag{1.6}$$

for all h.

Note that these all hold for the autocorrelation function  $\rho$ , with the additional condition that  $\rho(0) = 1$ .

**Theorem 1.12.** A real-valued function defined on the integers is the auto-covariance function of a stationary time series if and only if it is even and nonnegative definite.

**Example 1.13.** Consider a white noise, with  $X_t$  a time series with  $X_t$ uncorrelated with mean zero and variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Then

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}(h=0) \tag{1.7}$$

$$\rho_X(h) = \mathbb{I}(h=0) \tag{1.8}$$

**Example 1.14** (First order moving average MA(1)).

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta Z_{t-1} \tag{1.9}$$

with  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ . Then

$$\gamma_X(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2(1+\theta^2) & h = 0\\ \sigma^2\theta & |h| = 1\\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$
 (1.10)

$$\rho_X(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & h = 0 \\ \frac{\theta}{1+\theta} & |h| = 1 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$
 (1.11)

Definition 1.15 (Sample Autocovariance). The sample autocovariance function of  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  is defined by

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n-h} (x_{j+h} - \bar{x})(x_j - \bar{x}), 0 \le h < n$$
 (1.12)

and 
$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \hat{\gamma}(-h), -n < h \le 0.$$

Note that the divisor is n rather than n - h since this ensures that the sample autocovariance matrix

$$\hat{\Gamma}_n = (\hat{\gamma}(i-j))_{i,j} \tag{1.13}$$

is positive semidefinite.

#### 1.3 State Space Modesl

**Definition 1.16.** The observation equation is

$$Y_t = G_t X_t + W_t. ag{1.14}$$

The state equation is

$$X_{t+1} = F_t X_t + V_t (1.15)$$

 $\{Y_t\}$  has a state-space representation if there exists a state-space model for  $\{Y_t\}$  as specified by the previous equations.

**Theorem 1.17** (De Finitte). If  $\{X_1, V_1, V_2, ...\}$  are independent, then  $\{X_t\}$  has the Markov property - that is,  $X_{t+1}|X_t, X_{t-1}, ... = X_{t+1}|X_t$ .

In the stable case, there is a unique stationary solution, given by

$$X_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F^j V_{t-j-1} \tag{1.16}$$

**Definition 1.18.** The state equation is said to be "stable" if the matrix F has all it's eigenvalues in the interior of the unit circle.

#### 1.4 Stationary Processes

#### 1.4.1 Linear Processes

**Definition 1.19** (Wold Decomposition). If  $X_t$  is a nondeterministic stationary time series, then

$$X_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j} Z_{t-j} + V_{t}$$
 (1.17)

where

- (i)  $\psi_0 = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i^2 < \infty$ ,
- (ii)  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ ,
- (iii)  $Cov(Z_s, V_t) = 0$  for all s, t,
- (iv)  $Z_t = \tilde{P}_t Z_t$  for all t,

- (v)  $V_t = \tilde{P}_s V_t$  for all s, t,
- (vi)  $V_t$  is deterministic.

The sequences  $Z_t$ ,  $\psi_j$ ,  $V_t$  are unique and can be written explicitly as

$$Z_t = X_t - \tilde{P}_{t-1}X_t \tag{1.18}$$

$$\psi_j = \frac{\mathbb{E}(X_t Z_{t-j})}{\mathbb{E}(Z_t)^2} \tag{1.19}$$

$$V_t = X_t - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}.$$
 (1.20)

**Definition 1.20.** A times series  $\{X_t\}$  is a **linear process** if it has the representation

$$X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} \tag{1.21}$$

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\{\psi_i\}$  is a sequence of constants with  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ .

A linear process is called a **moving average** or MA( $\infty$ ) if  $\psi_i = 0$  for all i < 0, so

$$X_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j} Z_{t-j}.$$
 (1.22)

**Proposition 1.21.** Let  $Y_t$  be a stationary time series with mean zero and coavariance function  $\gamma_Y$ . If  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ , then the time series

$$X_{t} = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{j} Y_{t-j} = \psi(B) Y_{t}$$
 (1.23)

is stationary with mean zero and autocovariance function

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_k \gamma_Y(h+k-j). \tag{1.24}$$

In the special case where  $X_t$  is a linear process,

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_{j+h} \sigma^2.$$
 (1.25)

#### Forecasting Stationary Time Series

Our goal is to find the linear combination of  $1, X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_1$  that forecasts  $X_{n+h}$  with minimum mean squared error. The best linear

predictor in terms of  $1, X_n, ..., X_1$  will be deonted by  $P_n X_{n+h}$  and clearly has the form

$$P_n X_{n+h} = a_0 + a_1 X_n + \dots + a_n X_1. \tag{1.26}$$

To find these equations, we solve the convex problem by setting derivatives to zero, and obtain the result given below.

**Theorem 1.22** (Properties of *h*-step best linear predictor  $P_nX_{n+h}$ ). (i)

$$P_n X_{n+h} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i (X_{n+1-i} - \mu)$$
 (1.27)

where  $\mathbf{a}_n = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  satisfies

(iii)

$$\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \gamma_n(h) \tag{1.28}$$

$$\Gamma_n = [\gamma(i-j)]_{i,i=1}^n$$
 (1.29)

$$\gamma_n(h) = (\gamma(h), \gamma(h+1), \dots, \gamma(h+n-1)) \tag{1.30}$$

(ii) 
$$\mathbb{E}\left((X_{n+h} - P_n X_{n+h})^2\right) = \gamma(0) - \langle \mathbf{a}_n, \gamma_n(h) \rangle \tag{1.31}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X_{n+h} - P_n X_{n+h}) = 0 \tag{1.32}$$

(iv) 
$$\mathbb{E}\big((X_{n+h} - P_n X_{n+h}) X_j\big) = 0 \tag{1.33}$$
 for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Definition 1.23** (Prediction Operator  $P(\cdot|\mathbf{W})$ ). Suppose that  $\mathbb{E}(U^2) < \infty$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(V^2) < \infty$ ,  $\Gamma = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{W})$ , and  $\beta, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  are constants.

(i) 
$$P(U|\mathbf{W}) = \mathbb{E}(U) = \mathbf{a}'(\mathbf{W} - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{W}))$$
 (1.34)

where  $\Gamma \mathbf{a} = \text{Cov}(U, \mathbf{W})$ .

(ii) 
$$\mathbb{E}((U - P(U|\mathbf{W}))\mathbf{W}) = 0 \tag{1.35}$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}(U - P(U|\mathbf{W})) = 0 \tag{1.36}$$

(iii) 
$$\mathbb{E}\left((U - P(U|\mathbf{W}))^2\right) = \mathbb{V}(U) - \mathbf{a}' \operatorname{Cov}(U, \mathbf{W}) \tag{1.37}$$

(iv) 
$$P\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 V + \beta | \mathbf{W} = \alpha_1 P(U|\mathbf{W}) + \alpha_2 P(V|\mathbf{W}) + \beta$$
 (1.38)

(v) 
$$P(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i W_i + \beta | \mathbf{W}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i W_i + \beta$$
 (1.39)

(vi) 
$$P(U|\mathbf{W}) = EU \tag{1.40}$$
 if  $\mathsf{Cov}(U,\mathbf{W}) = 0$ .

#### 1.4.3 Innovation Algorithm

**Theorem 1.24.** Suppose  $X_t$  is a zero-mean series with  $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|^2) < \infty$ for each t and  $\mathbb{E}(X_iX_j) = \kappa(i,j)$ . Let  $\hat{X}_n = 0$  if n = 1, and  $P_{n-1}X_n$  if  $n = 2, 3, ..., and let v_n = \mathbb{E}((X_{n+1} - P_n X_{n+1})^2).$ 

Define the innovations, or one-step prediction errors, as  $U_n = X_n - \hat{X}_n$ . Then we can write

$$\hat{X}_{n+1} = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0\\ \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - \hat{X}_{n+1-j}) \end{cases}$$
 (1.41)

where the coefficients  $\theta_{n1}, \ldots, \theta_{nn}$  can be computed recursively from the equations

$$v_0 = \kappa(1, 1) \tag{1.42}$$

$$\theta_{n,n-k} = \frac{1}{v_k} (\kappa(n+1,k+1) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \theta_{k,k-j} \theta_{n,n-j} v_j)$$
 (1.43)

for  $0 \le k < n$ , and

$$v_n = \kappa(n+1, n+1) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta_{n, n-j}^2 v_j.$$
 (1.44)

#### 1.5 ARMA Processes

**Definition 1.25.**  $X_t$  is an ARMA(p, q) process if  $X_t$  is stationary and if for every t,

$$X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$$
 (1.45)

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and the polynomials  $(1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p)$  and  $(1 + \theta_1 z + \cdots + \theta_q z^q)$  have no common factors.

It can be more convenient to write this in the form

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t \tag{1.46}$$

with *B* the back-shift operator.

ARMA(0, q) is a moving average process of order q (MA(q)). ARMA(p, 0) is an autoregressive process of order p (AR(p)).

**Theorem 1.26.** A stationary solution of (1.45) exists (and is the unique stationary solution) if and only if

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0 \tag{1.47}$$

for all |z|=1

**Definition 1.27.** An ARMA(p,q) process  $X_t$  is causal (or a causal function of  $Z_t$ ) if there exists constants  $\psi_j$  such that  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$  and

$$X_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j} Z_{t-j}$$
 (1.48)

for all t.

**Theorem 1.28.** An ARMA(p,q) process is causal if and only if

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0 \tag{1.49}$$

for all  $|z| \leq 1$ .

Note that the coefficients  $\psi_i$  are determined by

$$\psi_j - \sum_{k=1}^p \theta_k \psi_{j-k} = \theta_j \tag{1.50}$$

for  $j = 0, 1, \ldots$  and  $\theta_0 = 1$ ,  $\theta_j = 0$  for j > q, and  $\psi_j = 0$  for j < 0.

**Definition 1.29.** An ARMA(p,q) is invertible if there exist constants  $\pi_j$  such that  $\sum_{j=0}^\infty |\pi_j| < \infty$  and

$$Z_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j X_{t-j}$$
 (1.51)

for all t.

The coefficients  $\pi_i$  are determined by the equations

$$\pi_j + \sum_{k=1}^q \theta_k \pi_{j-k} = -\phi_j \tag{1.52}$$

where  $\phi_0 = -1$ ,  $\theta_j = 0$  for j > p, and  $\pi_j = 0$  for j < 0.

**Theorem 1.30.** *Invertibility is equivalent to the condition* 

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q \neq 0 \tag{1.53}$$

for all  $|z| \leq 1$ .

#### 1.5.1 ACF and PACF of an ARMA(p,q) Process

**Theorem 1.31.** For a causal ARMA(p,q) process defined by

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t \tag{1.54}$$

we know we can write

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} \tag{1.55}$$

where  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j z^j = \theta(z)/\phi(z)$  for  $|z| \leq 1$ .

Thus, the ACVF  $\gamma$  is given as

$$\gamma(h) = \mathbb{E}(X_{t+h}X_t) = \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_{j+|h|}$$
 (1.56)

A second approach is to multiple each side by  $X_{t_k}$  and take expectations, and obtain a sequence of m homogenous linear difference equations with constant coefficients. These can be solved to obtain the  $\gamma(h)$  values.

**Definition 1.32** (PACF). The partial autocorrelation function (PACF)

of an AMRA process X is the function  $\alpha(\cdot)$  defined by

$$\alpha(0) = 1 \tag{1.57}$$

$$\alpha(h) = \phi_{hh}, h \ge 1 \tag{1.58}$$

where  $\phi_{hh}$  is the last component of  $\mathbf{E}_h = \Gamma_h^{-1} \gamma_h$ , where  $\Gamma_h = [\gamma(i-j)]_{i,j=1}^h$ , and  $\gamma_h = [\gamma(1), \gamma(2), \dots, \gamma(h)]$ .

**Theorem 1.33.** For an AR(p) process, the sample PACF values at lags greater than p are approximately independent  $N(0, \frac{1}{n})$  random variables. Thus, if we have a sample PACF satisfying

$$|\hat{\alpha}(h)| > \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}} \tag{1.59}$$

for  $0 \le h \le p$  and

$$|\hat{\alpha}(h)| < \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}} \tag{1.60}$$

for h > p, this suggests an AR(p) model for the data.

**Theorem 1.34** (PACF summary). For an AR(p) process  $X_t$ , the PACF  $\alpha(\cdot)$  has the properties that  $\alpha(p) = \phi_p$ , and  $\alpha(h) = 0$  for h > p. For h < p we can compute numerically from the expression that  $\mathbf{E}_h = \Gamma_h^{-1} \mathbf{fl}_h$ .

#### 1.5.2 Forecasting ARMA Processes

For the causal ARMA(p, q) process

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t, Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$
(1.61)

we can avoid using the full innovations algorithm.

If we apply the algorithm to the transformed process  $W_t$  given by

$$W_t = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} X_t & t = 1, \dots, m \\ \frac{1}{\sigma} \phi(B) X_t & t > m \end{cases}$$
 (1.62)

where  $m = \max(p, q)$ .

For notational convenience, take  $\theta_0 = 1$ ,  $\theta_j = 0$  for j > q.

**Lemma 1.35.** The autocovariances  $\kappa(i,j) = \mathbb{E}(W_i W_j)$  are found from

$$\kappa(i,j) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 \gamma_X(i-j) & 1 \leq i,j \leq m \\ \sigma^2 (\gamma_X(i-j) - \sum_{r=1}^p \phi_r \gamma_X(r-|i-j|)) & \min(i,j) \leq m < \max(i,j) \leq 2m \\ \sum_{r=0}^q \theta_r \theta_{r+|i-j|} & \min(i,j) > m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$(1.63)$$

Applying the innovations algorithm to the process  $W_t$ , we obtain

$$\hat{W}_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{nj} (W_{n+1-j} - \hat{W}_{n+1-j}) & 1 \le n < m \\ \sum_{j=1}^{q} \theta_{nj} (W_{n+1-j} - \hat{W}_{n+1-j}) & n \ge m \end{cases}$$
(1.64)

where the coefficients  $\theta_{nj}$  and MSE  $r_n = \mathbb{E}((W_{n+1} - \hat{W}_{n+1})^2)$  are found recursively using the innovations algorithm.

Since the equations (1.62) allow us to write  $X_n$  as a linear combination of  $W_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , and conversely, each  $W_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$  to be written as a linear combination of  $X_i$ ,  $1 \le j \le n$ . Thus the best linear predictor of the random variable Y in terms of  $\{1, X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  is the same as the best linear predictor of Y in terms of  $\{1, W_1, \dots, W_n\}$ . Thus, by linearity of  $\hat{P}_n$ , we have

$$\hat{W}_{t} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} \hat{X}_{t} & t = 1, \dots, m \\ \frac{1}{\sigma} (\hat{X}_{t} - \phi_{1} X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_{p} X_{t-p}) & t > m \end{cases}$$
 (1.65)

which shows that

$$X_t - \hat{X}_t = \sigma(W_t - \hat{W}_t) \tag{1.66}$$

Substituting into (1.63) and (1.64), we obtain

$$\hat{X}_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - \hat{X}_{n+1-j}) & 1 \le n < m \\ \phi_1 X_n + \dots + \phi_p X_{n+1-p} + \sum_{j=1}^{q} \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - \hat{X}_{n+1-j}) & n \ge m \\ & (1.67) \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}\left((X_{n+1} - \hat{X}_{n+1})^2\right) = \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}\left((W_{n+1} - \hat{W}_{n+1})^2\right) = \sigma^2 r_n$$
 (1.68)

where  $\theta_{nj}$  and  $r_n$  are found using the innovation algorithm.

#### 1.6 Estimation of ARMA Processes

#### 1.6.1 Yule-Walker Equations

Consider estimating a causal AR(p) process. We can write

$$X_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j} Z_{t-j}$$
 (1.69)

where  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j z^j = \frac{1}{\phi(z)}$  for  $z \leq 1$ .

Multiplying each side by  $Z_{t-j}$ , and taking expectations, we obtain the Yule-Walker equations

$$\Gamma_p \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{f} \mathbf{l}_p \tag{1.70}$$

and 
$$\sigma^2 = \gamma(0) - \langle \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{fl}_p \rangle$$
 where  $\Gamma_p = [\gamma(i-j)]_{i,j=1}^p$  and  $\mathbf{fl}_p = (\gamma(1), \gamma(2), \dots, \gamma(p))$ .

If we replace the covariances by the sample covariances  $\hat{\gamma}(j)$ , we obtain a set of equations for the so-called Yule-Walker estimators  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , given by

$$\hat{\Gamma}_p \hat{\mathbf{E}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{l}_p \tag{1.71}$$

and 
$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \hat{\gamma}(0) - \left\langle \hat{\mathbf{C}}, \hat{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{l}_p \right\rangle$$

**Theorem 1.36.** If  $X_t$  is the causal AR(p) process and  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}$  is the Yule-Walker estimator of  $\mathbf{E}$ , then

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\mathbf{G}} - \mathbf{G}) \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0, \sigma^2 \Gamma_p^{-1})$$
 (1.72)

Moreover,  $\hat{\sigma}^2 \stackrel{p}{\rightarrow} \sigma^2$ .

**Theorem 1.37.** If  $X_t$  is a causal AR(p) process and  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}_m$  is the Yule-Walker estimate of order m > p, then

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\mathbf{E}}_m - \mathbf{E}_m) \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0, \sigma^2 \Gamma_m^{-1})$$
 (1.73)

where  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}_m$  is the coefficient vector of the best linear predictor  $\langle \mathbf{C}_m, \mathbf{X}_m \rangle$  of  $X_{m+1}$  based on  $X_m, \ldots, X_1$ . So  $\mathbf{C}_m = R_m^{-1} \mathbf{z}_m$ . In particular, for m > p,

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}\hat{\phi}_{mm} \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0,1) \tag{1.74}$$

Theorem 1.38 (Durbin-Levinson Algorithm for AR models). Consider fitting an AR(m) process

$$X_{t} - \hat{\theta}_{m1} X_{t-1} - \dots - \hat{\theta}_{mm} X_{t-m} = Z_{t}$$
 (1.75)

with  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \hat{v}_m)$ .

If  $\hat{\gamma}(0) > 0$ , then the fitted autoregressive models for m = 1, 2, ..., n-1can be determined recursively from the relations

$$\hat{\phi}_{11} = \hat{\rho}(1) \tag{1.76}$$

$$\hat{v}_1 = \hat{\gamma}(0)(1 - \hat{\rho}^2)(1) \tag{1.77}$$

$$\hat{\phi}_{mm} = \frac{\hat{\gamma}(m) - \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \hat{\phi}_{m-1,j} \hat{\gamma}(m-j)}{\hat{v}_{m-1}}$$
(1.78)

$$\hat{v}_m = \hat{v}_{m-1} (1 - \hat{\phi}_{mm}^2) \tag{1.80}$$

**Theorem 1.39** (Confidence intervals for AR(p) estimation). *Under the* assumption that the order p of the fitted model is the correct value, for large sample-size n, the region

$$\{\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^p | (\mathbf{C} - \hat{\phi}_p)' \hat{\Gamma}_p (\mathbf{C} - \hat{\mathbf{C}}_p) \le \frac{1}{n} \hat{\sigma}_p \chi_{1-\alpha}^2(p) \}$$
 (1.81)

contains  $\mathbf{G}_p$  with probability close to  $1 - \alpha$  where  $\chi^2_{1-\alpha}(p)$  is the  $(1 - \alpha)$ quantile of the chi-squared distribution with p degrees of freedom.

Similarly, if  $\Phi_{1-\alpha}$  is the  $(1-\alpha)$  quantile of the standard normal distribution and  $\hat{v}_{jj}$  is the j-th diagonal element of  $\hat{v}_p\hat{\Gamma}_p^{-1}$ , then for large n

$$\{\hat{\phi}_{pj} \pm \Phi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}} \hat{v}_{jj}^{\frac{1}{2}}\}$$
 (1.82)

contains  $\phi_{pj}$  with probability close to  $(1 - \alpha)$ .

# 1.6.2 Estimation for Moving Average Processes Using the Innovations Algorithm

Consider estimating

$$X_t = Z_t + \hat{\theta}_{m1} Z_{t-1} + \dots + \hat{\theta}_{mm} Z_{t-m}$$
 (1.83)

with  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \hat{v}_m)$ .

**Theorem 1.40.** We can apply the innovation estimates by applying the recursive relations

$$\hat{v}_0 = \hat{\gamma}(0) \tag{1.84}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{m,m-k} = \frac{1}{\hat{v}_k} (\hat{\gamma}(m-k) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \hat{\theta}_{m,m-j} \hat{\theta}_{k,k-j} \hat{v}_j)$$
 (1.85)

for k = 0, ..., m - 1, and

$$\hat{v}_m = \hat{\gamma}(0) - \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \hat{\theta}_{m,m-j}^2 \hat{v}_j. \tag{1.86}$$

**Theorem 1.41.** Let  $X_t$  be the causal invertible ARMA process  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t$  with  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(Z_t^4) < \infty$ , and let  $\psi(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j z^j = \frac{\theta(z)}{\phi(z)}$  for  $|z| \leq 1$ , and  $\psi_0 = 1$  and  $\psi_j = 0$  for j < 0.

Then for any sequence of positive integers  $m_n$ , such that m < n,  $m \to \infty$ , and  $m = o(n^{\frac{1}{3}})$  as  $n \to \infty$ , we have for each k,

$$\frac{n^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(\hat{\theta}_{m1} - \psi_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{mk} - \psi_k)} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, A)$$
 (1.87)

where  $A = [a_{ij}]_{i,j=1}^k$  and

$$a_{ij} = \sum_{r=1}^{\min(i,j)} \psi_{i-r} \psi_{j-r}$$
 (1.88)

and

$$\hat{v}_m \stackrel{p}{\to} \sigma^2. \tag{1.89}$$

**Remark 1.42.** Note that for the AR(p) process, the Yule-Walker estimator is a consistent estimator of  $\mathbf{E}_p$ . However, for an MA(q) process, the estimator  $\hat{q}$  is not consistent for the true parameter vector as  $n \to \infty$ . For consistency, it is necessary to use the estimators with m satisfying the conditions given

in Theorem 1.41.

**Theorem 1.43** (Asymptotic confidence regions for the  $\hat{q}$ ).

$$\{\theta \in R | |\theta - \hat{\theta}_{mj}| \le \Phi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}} (\sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \hat{\theta}_{mk}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \}$$
 (1.90)

is an  $(1 - \alpha)$  confidence interval for  $\theta_{mi}$ .

#### Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Consider  $X_t$  a gaussian time series with zero mean and autocovariance function  $\kappa(i,j) = \mathbb{E}(X_iX_j)$ . Let  $\hat{X}_j = P_{j-1}X_j$ . Let  $\Gamma_n$  be the covariance matrix and assume  $\Gamma_n$  is nonsingular. The likelihood of  $X_n$ is

$$L(\Gamma_n) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \frac{1}{(\det \Gamma_n)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{X}_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \mathbf{X}_n)$$
 (1.91)

**Theorem 1.44.** The likelihood of the vector  $\mathbf{X}_n$  reduces to

$$L(\Gamma_n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} r_i}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(X_j - \hat{X}_j)^2}{r_{j-1}})$$
(1.92)

**Remark 1.45.** Even if  $X_t$  is not Gaussian, the large sample estimates are the same for  $Z_t \sim IID(0, \sigma^2)$ , regardless of whether or not  $Z_t$  is Gaussian.

Theorem 1.46 (Maximum Likelihood Estimators for ARMA processes).

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} S(\hat{\mathbf{C}}, \hat{\mathbf{C}}) \tag{1.93}$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$ , are the values of  $\mathbf{C}$ , that minimize

$$\ell(\mathbf{CE}, \hat{}) = \ln(\frac{1}{n}S(\hat{}, \hat{})) + \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j=0}^{n-1}\ln r_j$$
 (1.94)

and

$$S(\hat{\mathbf{C}}, \hat{\mathbf{c}}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{(X_j - \hat{X}_j)^2}{r_{j-1}}$$
 (1.95)

Theorem 1.47 (Asyptotic Distribution of Maximum Likelihood Esti-

mators). For a large sample from an ARMA(p,q) process,

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = N(\mathbf{f}, \frac{1}{n}V\mathbf{f}) \tag{1.96}$$

where

$$V(\mathbf{fi}) = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}(U_t U_t') & \mathbb{E}(U_t V_t') \\ \mathbb{E}(V_t U_t') & \mathbb{E}(V_t V_t') \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$
(1.97)

and  $U_t$  are the autoregressive process  $\phi(B)U_t = Z_t$  and  $\theta(B)V_t = Z_t$ .

Note that for 
$$p=0$$
,  $V(\mathbf{fi})=\sigma^2[\mathbb{E}(V_tV_t')]^{-1}$ , and for  $q=0$ ,  $V(\mathbf{fi})=\sigma^2[\mathbb{E}(U_tU_t')]^{-1}$ .

#### 1.6.4 Order Selection

**Definition 1.48** (Kullback-Leibler divergence). The Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence between  $f(\cdot; \psi)$  and  $f(\cdot; \theta)$  is defined as

$$d(\psi|\theta) = \Delta(\psi|\theta) - \Delta(\theta|\theta) \tag{1.98}$$

where

$$\Delta(\psi|\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}(-2\ln f(X;\psi)) \tag{1.99}$$

is the Kullback-Leibler index of  $f(\cdot; \psi)$  relative to  $f(\cdot; \theta)$ .

**Theorem 1.49** (AICC of ARMA(p, q) process).

$$AICC(\mathbf{fi}) = -2 \ln L_X(\mathbf{fi}, \frac{S_X(\beta)}{n}) + \frac{2(p+q+1)n}{n-p-q-2}$$
(1.100)

**Theorem 1.50** (AIC of ARMA(p, q) process).

$$AIC(\mathbf{fi}) = -2 \ln L_X(\mathbf{fi}, \frac{S_X(\beta)}{n}) + 2(p+q+1)$$
 (1.101)

**Theorem 1.51** (BIC of ARMA(p, q) process).

$$BIC(\mathbf{fi}) = (n - p - q) \ln \frac{n\hat{\sigma}^2}{n - p - q} + n(1 + \ln \sqrt{2\pi}) + (p + q) \ln \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n} X_t^2 - n\hat{\sigma}^2}{p + q}$$
(1.102)

where  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is the MLE estimate of the white noise variance.

#### 1.7 Spectral Analysis

Let  $X_t$  be a zero-mean stationary time series with autocovariance function  $\gamma(\cdot)$  satisfying  $\sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} |\gamma(h)| < \infty$ .

**Definition 1.52.** The spectral density of  $X_t$  is the function  $f(\cdot)$  defined by

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ih\lambda} y(h)$$
 (1.103)

The summability implies that the series converges absolutely.

**Theorem 1.53.** (*i*) *f is even* 

(ii)  $f(\lambda) \geq 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (-\pi, \pi]$ .

(iii) 
$$\gamma(k) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-k\lambda} f(\lambda) d\lambda = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(k\lambda) f(\lambda) d\lambda$$
.

**Definition 1.54.** A function f is the **spectral density** of a stationary time series  $X_t$  with autocovariance function  $\gamma(\cdot)$  if

(i) 
$$f(\lambda) \ge 0$$
 for all  $\lambda \in (0, \pi]$ ,

(ii) 
$$\gamma(h) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ih\lambda} f(\lambda) d\lambda$$
 for all integers  $h$ .

**Lemma 1.55.** If f and g are two spectral density corresponding to the autocovariance function  $\gamma$ , then f and g have the same Fourier coefficients and hence are equal.

**Theorem 1.56.** A real-valued function f defined on  $(-\pi, \pi]$  is the spectral density of a stationary process if and only if

(i) 
$$f(\lambda) = f(-\lambda)$$
,

(ii) 
$$f(\lambda) \geq 0$$

(iii) 
$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\lambda) d\lambda < \infty$$
.

**Theorem 1.57.** An absolutely summable function  $\gamma(\cdot)$  is the autocovariance function of a stationary time series if and only if it is even and

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ih\lambda} \gamma(h) \ge 0$$
 (1.104)

for all  $\lambda \in (-\pi, \pi]$ , in which case  $f(\cdot)$  is the spectral density of  $\gamma(\cdot)$ .

**Theorem 1.58** (Spectral Representation of the ACVF). A function  $\gamma(\cdot)$  defined on the integers is the ACVF of a stationary time series if and only if there exists a right-continuous, nondecreasing, bounded function F on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  with  $F(-\pi) = 0$  such that

$$\gamma(h) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ih\lambda} dF(\lambda) \tag{1.105}$$

for all integers h.

**Remark 1.59.** The function F is a generalized distribution function on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  in the sense that  $G(\lambda) = \frac{F(\lambda)}{F(\pi)}$  is a probability distribution function on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . Note that since  $F(\pi) = \gamma(0) = \mathbb{V}(X_1)$ , the ACF of  $X_t$  has the spectral representation function

$$\rho(h) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ih\lambda} dG(\lambda) \tag{1.106}$$

The function F is called the spectral distribution function of  $\gamma(\cdot)$ . If  $F(\lambda)$  can be expressed as  $F(\lambda) = \int_{-\pi}^{\lambda} f(y) dy$  for all  $\lambda \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , then f is the spectral density function and the time series is said to have a continuous spectrum. If F is a discrete function, then the time series is said to have a discrete spectrum.

**Theorem 1.60.** A complex valued function  $\gamma(\cdot)$  is the autocovariance function of a stationary process  $X_t$  if and only if either

- (i)  $\gamma(h) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ihv} dF(v)$  for all  $h = 0, \pm 1, \dots$  where F is a right-continuous, non-decreasing, bounded function on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  with  $F(-\pi) = 0$ , or
- (ii)  $\sum_{i,j=1}^{n} a_i \gamma(i-j) \overline{a}_j \ge 0$  for all positive integers n and all  $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}^n)$ .

#### 1.7.1 The Spectral Density of an ARMA Process

**Theorem 1.61.** If  $Y_t$  is any zero-mean, possibly complex-valued stationary process with spectral distribution function  $F_Y(\cdot)$  and  $X_t$  is the process  $X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Y_{t-j}$  where  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ , then  $X_t$  is stationary with spectral distribution function  $F_X(\lambda) = \int_{-\pi,\lambda} |\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j e^{-ijv}|^2 dF_Y(v)$  for  $-\pi \le \lambda \le \pi$ .

If  $Y_t$  has a spectral density  $f_Y(\cdot)$ , then  $X_t$  has a spectral density  $f_X(\cdot)$ given by  $f_X(\lambda) = |\Psi(e^{-i\lambda})|^2 f_Y(\lambda)$  where  $\Psi(e^{-i\lambda}) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_i e^{-ij\lambda}$ .

**Theorem 1.62.** Let  $X_t$  be an ARMA(p,q) process, not necessarily causal or invertible satisfying  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t, Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  where  $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p$  and  $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \cdots + \theta_a z^q$  have no common zeroes and  $\phi(z)$  has no zeroes on the unit circle. Then  $X_t$  has spectral density

$$f_X(\lambda) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi} \frac{|\theta(e^{-i\lambda})|^2}{||\phi(e^{-i\lambda})|^2}$$
(1.107)

for  $-\pi < \lambda < \pi$ .

**Theorem 1.63.** The spectral density of the white noise process is constant,  $f(\lambda) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$ .

#### The Periodogram

**Definition 1.64.** The periodogram of  $(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  is the function

$$I_n(\lambda) = \frac{1}{n} |\sum_{t=1}^n x_t e^{-it\lambda}|^2$$
 (1.108)

**Theorem 1.65.** If  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  are any real numbers and  $\omega_k$  is any of the nonzero Fourier Frequencies  $\frac{2\pi k}{n}$  in  $(-\pi,\pi]$ , then  $I_n(\omega_k) = \sum_{|h| < n} \hat{\gamma}(h) e^{-ih\omega_k}$ where  $\hat{\gamma}(h)$  is the sample ACVF of  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ .

**Theorem 1.66.** Let  $X_t$  be the linear process  $X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}$ ,  $Z_t \sim IID(0,\sigma^2)$ , with  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ . Let  $I_n(\lambda)$  be the periodogram of  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ , and let  $f(\lambda)$  be the spectral density of  $X_t$ .

(i) If  $f(\lambda) > 0$  for all  $\lambda \in [-\pi, \pi]$  and if  $0 < \lambda_1 < \cdots < \lambda_m < \pi$ , then the random vector  $(I_n(\lambda_1), \ldots, I_n(\lambda_m))$  converges in distribution to a vector of independent and exponentially distributed random variables, the i-th component which has mean  $2\pi f(\lambda_i)$ , i = 1..., m.

(ii) If 
$$\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_i| |j|^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$$
,  $\mathbb{E}(Z_1^4) = \nu \sigma^4 < \infty$ ,  $\omega_i = \frac{2\pi j}{n} \geq 0$ , and

$$\omega_k = \frac{2\pi k}{n} \geq 0$$
, then

$$Cov(I_{n}(\omega_{j}), I_{n}(\omega_{k}), -NoValue-) = \begin{cases} 2(2\pi)^{2} f^{2}(\omega_{j}) + O(n^{-\frac{1}{2}}) & \omega_{j} = \omega_{k} = \{0, \pi\} \\ (2\pi)^{2} f^{2}(\omega_{j}) + O(n^{-\frac{1}{2}}) & 0 < \omega_{j} = \omega_{k} < \pi \\ O(n^{-1}) & \omega_{j} \neq \omega_{k} \end{cases}$$
(1.109)

**Definition 1.67.** The estimator  $\hat{f}(\omega) = \hat{f}(g(n,\omega))$  with  $\hat{f}(\omega_j)$  defined by  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{|k| \le m_n} W_n(k) I_n(w_{j+k})$  with  $m \to \infty$ ,  $\frac{m}{n} \to 0$ ,  $W_n(k) = W_n(-k)$ ,  $W_n(k) \ge 0$  for all k, and  $\sum_{|k| \le m} W_n(k) = 1$ , and  $\sum_{|k|} W_n^2(k) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$  is called a **discrete spectral average estimator** of f(w).

**Theorem 1.68.** Let  $X_t$  be the linear process  $X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}$ ,  $Z_t \sim IID(0,\sigma^2)$ , with  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j||j|^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$  and  $\mathbb{E}(Z_1^4) < \infty$ . If  $\hat{f}$  is a discrete spectral average estimator of the spectral density f, then for  $\lambda, \omega \in [0,\pi]$ ,

(i) 
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{E}(\hat{f}(\omega)) = f(\omega)$$

(ii)

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{\sum_{|j|\leq m} W_n^2(j)} Cov(\hat{f}(\omega), \hat{f}(\lambda), -NoValue-) = \begin{cases} 2f^2(\omega) & w = \lambda = \{0, \pi\} \\ f^2(\omega) & 0 < \omega = \lambda < \pi \\ 0 & \omega \neq \lambda. \end{cases}$$
(1.110)

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