

SPA

Solution to Assignment 2

1.

(a) We only show that \mathcal{F}_1 is a σ -field, since the result can be obtained in the same way for \mathcal{F}_2 . Set $A = \{1\}$. Then $\{2, 3\}$ is A^c and it is obvious that \mathcal{F}_1 satisfies the first two conditions in the definition of a σ -field. As for $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$, $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_1$, this union can only be A , A^c , \emptyset , Ω , all of which belong to \mathcal{F}_1 , verifying that \mathcal{F}_1 is a σ -field. Indeed, there are only the following 5 cases:

- i. $A_i = \Omega$ for some i . Then $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \Omega$;
- ii. $A_i = A$ and $A_j = A^c$ for some i, j . Then $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \Omega$;
- iii. (i) and (ii) don't hold and $A_i = A$ for some i . Then $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = A$;
- iv. (i) and (ii) don't hold and $A_i = A^c$ for some i . Then $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = A^c$;
- v. (i),(ii),(iii) and (iv) don't hold. In this case $A_i = \emptyset$ for all i . So $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \emptyset$.

(b) $\{1, 2\} \cap \{2, 3\} = \{2\} \notin \Omega$, so $\mathcal{F}_1 \cap \mathcal{F}_2$ is not a σ -field.

2. We set $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$. So $A^c = \{4, 5\}$ and $B^c = \{1, 2\}$ and $A \cap B = \{3\}$. So $\sigma(\mathcal{U}) = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{3, 4, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2, 4, 5\}, \Omega, \emptyset\}$.

3.

(a) For $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we know that $(a, a + \frac{1}{n}] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$. So $\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} (a, a + \frac{1}{n}] = (a, a] = \emptyset$ is also in $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

(b) For $c \in \mathbb{R}$, since $\{c\} = \cap_{n=1}^{\infty} (c - \frac{1}{n}, c]$, it follows that $\{c\}$ is also in $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

(c) It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) &= (a, b] \setminus \{b\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \\ [a, b] &= (a, b] \cup \{a\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \\ [a, b] &= \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (a - \frac{1}{n}, b) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}). \end{aligned}$$

4.

(a) Substituting $Y_{t-1} = \theta_0 + Y_{t-2} + e_{t-1}$ into $Y_t = \theta_0 + Y_{t-1} + e_t$ and repeating until we get e_1 , we obtain $Y_t = t\theta_0 + e_t + e_{t-1} + \dots + e_1$.

(b) It holds

$$E[Y_t] = E[t\theta_0 + e_t + e_{t-1} + \dots + e_1] = t\theta_0.$$

(c) Suppose $k \geq 0$. The autocovariance function for (Y_t) is

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(Y_t, Y_{t-k}) &= Cov(t\theta_0 + e_t + e_{t-1} + \dots + e_1, (t-k)\theta_0 + e_{t-k} + e_{t-k-1} + \dots + e_1) \\ &= Cov(e_t + e_{t-1} + \dots + e_1, e_{t-k} + e_{t-k-1} + \dots + e_1) \\ &= Var(e_{t-k} + e_{t-k-1} + \dots + e_1) \\ &= (t-k)\sigma_e^2. \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently, we can write $Cov(Y_t, Y_s) = \min\{s, t\}\sigma_e^2$, $s, t \geq 0$.

5. It holds

$$E[X_n] = E[\xi \cos(\lambda n) + \eta \sin(\lambda n)] = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(X_n, X_m) &= E[X_n X_m] = E[(\xi \cos(\lambda n) + \eta \sin(\lambda n))(\xi \cos(\lambda m) + \eta \sin(\lambda m))] \\ &= E[\xi^2 \cos(\lambda n) \cos(\lambda m) + \eta^2 \sin(\lambda n) \sin(\lambda m)] \\ &= \sigma^2 (\cos(\lambda n) \cos(\lambda m) + \sin(\lambda n) \sin(\lambda m)) \\ &= \sigma^2 \cos(\lambda(n-m)). \end{aligned}$$

6. Consider $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$. Set

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta t_1) & \sin(\theta t_1) \\ \cos(\theta t_2) & \sin(\theta t_2) \\ \dots & \dots \\ \cos(\theta t_n) & \sin(\theta t_n) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then

$$(X_{t_1}, X_{t_2}, \dots, X_{t_n})^\top = A \times \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since (ξ, η) is a two-dimensional Gaussian vector, $(X_{t_1}, X_{t_2}, \dots, X_{t_n})^\top$ is also a Gaussian

vector with expectation $\mathbf{0}$ and covariance matrix Σ , where

$$\begin{aligned}
\Sigma &= AA^\top \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta t_1) & \sin(\theta t_1) \\ \cos(\theta t_2) & \sin(\theta t_2) \\ \dots & \dots \\ \cos(\theta t_n) & \sin(\theta t_n) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta t_1) & \cos(\theta t_2) & \dots \\ \sin(\theta t_1) & \sin(\theta t_2) & \dots \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2(\theta t_1) + \sin^2(\theta t_1) & \cos(\theta t_1) \cos(\theta t_2) + \sin(\theta t_1) \sin(\theta t_2) & \dots \\ \cos(\theta t_2) \cos(\theta t_1) + \sin(\theta t_2) \sin(\theta t_1) & \cos^2(\theta t_2) + \sin^2(\theta t_2) & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \cos(\theta t_n) \cos(\theta t_1) + \sin(\theta t_n) \sin(\theta t_1) & \dots & \cos^2(\theta t_n) + \sin^2(\theta t_n) \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cos(\theta(t_1 - t_2)) & \dots \\ \cos(\theta(t_2 - t_1)) & 1 & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \cos(\theta(t_n - t_1)) & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

So the finite-dimensional distributions of $\{X_t : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ are all Gaussian. This indicates that $\{X_t : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a Gaussian process.