

Bayesian Time Series modelling and Analysis

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$$\{y_t\} \quad \{y_t, t = 1, 2, \dots\} \quad Y_{1:T}$$

Strong stationarity

$\{y_t\}$ any $n > 0$, any sequence t_1, \dots, t_n
and any $h > 0$

$$(y_{t_1}, \dots, y_{t_n})' \quad (y_{t_1+h}, \dots, y_{t_n+h})$$

weak stationarity (second order stationarity)

$\{y_t\}$ first and second moments of the two sequences exist and are identical.

$$E[y_t] = \mu, \quad \text{var}(y_t) = \sigma^2$$

$\text{cov}(y_t, y_s)$ depends on $|t-s|$

Strong stationarity implies weak stationarity

autocorrelation function (ACF)

$\{Y_t\}$

autocovariance

$$\gamma(t,s) = \text{cov}(Y_t, Y_s) = E[(Y_t - \mu_t)(Y_s - \mu_s)]$$

$$\mu_t = E[Y_t], \mu_s = E[Y_s]$$

stationarity $\Rightarrow E[Y_t] = \mu$ for all t

and $\gamma(t,s) = \gamma(|t-s|)$

if $h > 0$ $\gamma(h) = \text{cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-h})$

autocorrelation

$$P(t,s) = \frac{\gamma(t,s)}{\sqrt{\gamma(t,t)} \sqrt{\gamma(s,s)}}$$

stationarity $\Rightarrow P(h) = \gamma(h)/\gamma(0)$

$$\gamma(0) = \text{var}(Y_t)$$

How to get estimates of γ and P ?

$$Y_{1:T}$$

sample ACF : assuming stationarity

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T-h} (y_{t+h} - \bar{y})(y_t - \bar{y})$$

$$\text{with } \bar{y} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T y_t,$$

$$\hat{P}(h) = \hat{\gamma}(h) / \hat{\gamma}(0)$$

The AR(1)

$$Y_t = \phi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= \phi (\phi Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t-1}) + \varepsilon_t \\ &= \phi^2 Y_{t-2} + \phi \varepsilon_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \\ &= \dots \\ &= \phi^k Y_{t-k} + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \phi^j \varepsilon_{t-j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if } \phi \in [-1, 1] \Rightarrow$$

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad (a)$$

$$E[Y_t] = 0 \quad , \quad \text{var}(Y_t) = \text{var}(a) \\ = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{2j} V \\ = \frac{V}{1-\phi^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{does not} \\ \text{depend on } t \\ (\text{stationary}) \end{array}$$

$$\gamma(h) = E[Y_t Y_{t-h}]$$

$$= E\left[\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j \varepsilon_{t-j}\right)\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \phi^k \varepsilon_{t-h-k}\right)\right] \\ = E\left[\left(\varepsilon_t + \phi \varepsilon_{t-1} + \phi^2 \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots + \phi^h \varepsilon_{t-h}\right) \right. \\ \left. \left(\varepsilon_{t-h} + \phi \varepsilon_{t-h-1} + \phi^2 \varepsilon_{t-h-2} + \dots + \right)\right]$$

if time is not the same in the cross-products the expectation is 0 because $\text{cov}()$ and are iid.

$$= E\left[\phi^h \varepsilon_{t-h}^2 + \phi^{h+1} \phi \varepsilon_{t-h-1}^2 + \phi^{h+2} \phi^2 \varepsilon_{t-h-2}^2 \right. \\ \left. + \dots \right] \\ = V \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{h+j} \phi^j \\ = V \phi^h \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{2j} \\ = \frac{V \phi^h}{1-\phi^2}$$

$$\rho(h) = \gamma(h) / \gamma(0) = \phi^{|h|}$$

In general, for any integer h , we have

$$\rho(h) = \phi^{|h|}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \frac{v \phi^{|h|}}{1 - \phi^2}$$

The larger the value of ϕ , the decay will be slower.

Maximum likelihood Estimation for AR(1)

$$Y_t = \phi Y_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v)$$

(we work with the conditional likelihood)

$\phi \in [-1, 1] \Rightarrow \{Y_t\}$ is stationary

$$Y_1 \sim N(0, v/(1-\phi^2))$$

$$Y_t | Y_{t-1} \sim N(\phi Y_{t-1}, v)$$

$$Y_{1:T}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(Y_{1:T} | \phi, v) &= P(Y_1 | \phi, v) \prod_{t=2}^T P(Y_t | Y_{t-1}, \phi, v) \\
&= \frac{1 \cdot (1-\phi^2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi v)^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{y_1^2(1-\phi^2)}{2v} \right\} \\
&\quad \frac{1}{(2\pi v)^{(T-1)/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\sum_{t=2}^T (y_t - \phi y_{t-1})^2}{2v} \right\} \\
&\quad \frac{Q^*(\phi)}{Q^*(\phi)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Q^*(\phi) &= y_1^2(1-\phi^2) + \underbrace{\sum_{t=2}^T (y_t - \phi y_{t-1})^2}_{Q(\phi)} \\
&= \frac{(1-\phi)^{1/2}}{(2\pi v)^{T/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{Q^*(\phi)}{2v} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

This is the full likelihood.

Conditional likelihood (conditioned on the first obs)

$$\begin{aligned}
P(Y_{2:T} | Y_1, \phi, v) &= \prod_{t=2}^T \frac{1}{(2\pi v)^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(y_t - \phi y_{t-1})^2}{2v} \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi v)^{(T-1)/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{Q(\phi)}{2v} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{T-1} \end{pmatrix} \phi + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_T \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\tilde{Y} = \underline{X}\phi + \underline{\epsilon}, \underline{\epsilon} \sim N(0, \sqrt{T})$$

if \underline{X} is full rank, then

$$\hat{\phi} = (\underline{X}^T \underline{X})^{-1} \underline{X}^T \tilde{Y}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = S^2 = \frac{(\tilde{Y} - \underline{X}\hat{\phi})^T (\tilde{Y} - \underline{X}\hat{\phi})}{|\dim(\tilde{Y}) - \dim(\phi)|}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{\phi}_{mle} = \left(\sum_{t=2}^T Y_t Y_{t-1} \right) / \left(\sum_{t=2}^T Y_{t-1}^2 \right) \\ S^2 = \sum_{t=2}^T (Y_t - \hat{\phi}_{mle} Y_{t-1})^2 / (T-2) \end{array} \right.$$

unbiased

We have to resort to numerical maximization for the AR coefficient if we work with the full likelihood.

$$Y_t = \phi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad , \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$$

$$Y_1 | \phi \sim N(0, \frac{1}{(1-\phi^2)})$$

$$Y_t | Y_{t-1}, \phi \sim N(\phi Y_{t-1}, 1)$$

full likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y_{1:T} | \phi) &= P(Y_1 | \phi) \cdot \prod_{t=2}^T P(Y_t | Y_{t-1}, \phi) = \\ &= \frac{(1-\phi^2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{Y_t (1-\phi^2)}{2} \right\} \\ &\quad \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{(T-1)/2}} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{t=2}^T \frac{(Y_t - \phi Y_{t-1})^2}{2} \right\} \\ &= \frac{(1-\phi^2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{T/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} Q^*(\phi) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log P(Y_{1:T} | \phi) = \frac{1}{2} \log(1-\phi^2) - \frac{1}{2} Q^*(\phi) + k$$

\Rightarrow numerical optimization
e.g. Newton-Raphson.

Bayesian Inference in the AR(1)

model based on the conditional likelihood and a reference prior.

$$Y_t = \phi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, v)$$

we can write as,

$$\tilde{Y} = X\phi + \underline{\varepsilon}$$

ϕ is a scalar or β
 $\underline{\varepsilon} \sim N(0, vI)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_{T-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ (\beta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_T \end{pmatrix}$$

Simplify posteriors

conditional likelihood:

$$P(Y_{2:T} | \phi, v, Y_1) = \frac{1}{(2\pi v)^{(T-1)/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\tilde{Y} - X\phi)^T (\tilde{Y} - X\phi)}{2v} \right\}$$

reference prior:

$$p(\phi, v) \propto \frac{1}{v}$$

posterior

$$p(\phi, v | Y_{1:T}) \propto p(\phi, v) P(Y_{2:T} | Y_1, \phi, v)$$

$$P(\phi, \nu) \propto \frac{1}{\nu} \cdot (\beta | v, \underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{y}}) \sim N(\hat{\beta}_{mle}, \nu(\underline{X}^T \underline{X})^{-1})$$

$$\cdot (\nu | \underline{x}, \tilde{\underline{y}}) \sim IG\left(\frac{T-2}{2}, \frac{Q(\hat{\beta}_{mle})}{2}\right)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{mle} = (\underline{X}^T \underline{X})^{-1} \underline{X}^T \tilde{\underline{y}}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{mle}^2 = \hat{Q}_{mle} = \left(\sum_{t=2}^T y_t y_{t-1} \right) / \sum_{t=2}^T y_{t-1}^2$$

$$Q(\hat{\phi}_{mle}) = \sum_{t=2}^T (y_t - \hat{\phi}_{mle} y_{t-1})^2$$

We will obtain samples for $\hat{\beta}_{mle}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{mle}$.

Definition of the state-space representation

$$Y_t = \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t,$$

$\varepsilon_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v)$ general AR(p) setting

The AR characteristic polynomial is

$$\Phi(v) = 1 - \phi_1 v - \dots - \phi_p v^p$$

v is any complex value.

stable : if $\Phi(v) = 0$ only if $|v| > 1$
 (outside of the unit circle)

stable \Rightarrow stationarity.

Then it has a moving average representation.

$$Y_t = \Psi(B) \varepsilon_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \varepsilon_{t-j} \quad \text{with } \Psi = 1 \text{ and} \\ \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$$

$B^j Y_t = Y_{t-j}$: B : Backshift operator

$$\Psi(B) = 1 + \psi_1 B + \psi_2 B^2 + \dots$$

we can also write :

$$\tilde{\Phi}(v) = \prod_{j=1}^p (1 - \alpha_j v) \quad (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p) \text{ are characteristic roots}$$

State-space (or dynamic linear model) representation

$$Y_t = F^T \underline{X}_t$$

$$\underline{X}_t = G \underline{X}_{t-1} + \underline{w}_t$$

For AR(p), we have

$$\underline{X}_t = (Y_t, Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-p+1})^T$$

$$F = (1, 0, \dots, 0)^T$$

$$\underline{w}_t = (\varepsilon_t, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots & \phi_{p-1} & \phi_p \\ 1 & & & & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

If we do the matrix computation, we get back the general formula for AR(p).

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_t(h) &= E[Y_t + h | Y_{1:t}] \\
 &= F^T E[\underline{X}_{t+h} | Y_{1:t}] \\
 &= F^T G E[\underline{X}_{t+h-1} | Y_{1:t}] \\
 &= F^T G^h E[\underline{X}_t | Y_{1:t}] \\
 &= F^T G^h \underline{X}_t
 \end{aligned}$$

for forecasting h
steps ahead

Eigenstructure of G ? The eigenvalues corresponds to the characteristic roots of the process.

Assume we have p distinct reciprocal roots

$$G = E \Lambda E^{-1}$$

E : matrix of eigenvectors

$$\Lambda = \text{diagonal } (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$$

$$G^h = E \Lambda^h E^{-1}$$

the power h (^{number of} steps ahead) are the α at the power of h .

$$f_t(h) = \sum_{j=1}^p (c+j) \alpha_j^h$$

If the process is stable, the reciprocal roots are gonna decay exponentially. It provides a way to interpret the AR process.

This variance can change for each y_i , so assumption 3 is not met.

On residuals vs fitted values we can see if assumptions are met. Here, not the case.

GLM (Generalized Linear Models)

if there is a correlation structure, mixed models can be used.

ACF of the AR(p)

$$\rho(h) - \phi\rho(h-1) - \dots - \phi_p\rho(h-p) = 0$$

$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r$: reciprocal roots

\downarrow
 m_1, \dots, m_r : multiplicity

$$\sum_{i=1}^r m_i = p$$

in this case

$$\rho(h) = \alpha_1^h p_1(h) + \dots + \alpha_r^h p_r(h)$$

$p_j(h)$ polynomial of order m

• AR(1)

$$\rho(h) = \phi^h$$

• AR(2)

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_1 &= r \exp(i\omega) \\ \alpha_2 &= \exp(i\omega)\end{aligned}$$

$$p(h) = a\alpha_1^h + b\alpha_2^h = cr^h \cos(wh+d)$$

$$|r| < 1$$

The property of the ACF is related to the reciprocal roots

Bayesian Inference in the AR(p)

Reference prior and conditional likelihood

$$Y_t = \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v)$$

parameters: ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_p, v

$$(Y_t | Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-p}, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_p, v) \sim \text{Normal}$$

$$\sim N\left(\sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j Y_{t-j}, v\right)$$

$$P(Y_{(p+1):T} | Y_{1:p}, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_p, v) = \prod_{t=p+1}^T P(Y_t | Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-p}, \phi, v)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{Y} = X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, vI)$$



$$\tilde{\underline{y}} = \begin{pmatrix} y_{p+1} \\ y_{p+2} \\ \vdots \\ y_T \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_p \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_p & y_{p-1} & \dots & y_1 \\ & \vdots & & & \\ & y_{T-1} & y_{T-2} & \dots & y_{T-p} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\underline{\beta}}_{\text{MLE}} = (\underline{X}^T \underline{X})^{-1} \underline{X}^T \tilde{\underline{y}} \quad \text{given that } \underline{X} \text{ is full rank}$$

$$P(\underline{\beta}, v) \propto \frac{1}{v}$$

$$(\underline{\beta} | y_{1:T}, v) \sim N(\hat{\underline{\beta}}_{\text{MLE}}, v(\underline{X}^T \underline{X})^{-1})$$

$$(v | y_{1:T}) \sim IG\left(\frac{T-2p}{2}, \frac{s^2}{2}\right)$$

Model order selection

How to choose p ? sample ACF and PACF
 We can also consider criteria, or assume that p is unknown and chose a prior on p .

p^* : maximum so we will consider

$$p = 1: p^*$$

$$S_p^2 \quad y_{(p^*+1):T}$$

$$AIC_p = (T - p^*) \log(S_p^2) + \underbrace{2p}_{\text{overfitting penalty}}$$

The optimal p is the one that minimizes the AIC/BIC.

$$BIC_p = (T - p^*) \log(S_p^2) + \underbrace{p \log(T - p^*)}_{\text{overfitting penalty}}$$

We can also look at the posterior predictive distribution.

Spectral Representation of AR(p)

(Frequency domain also called spectral domain)

$$\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p, v$$

$$f(w) = \frac{v}{|(1 - \phi_1 e^{-iw} - \dots - \phi_p e^{-ipw})|^2 2\pi}$$

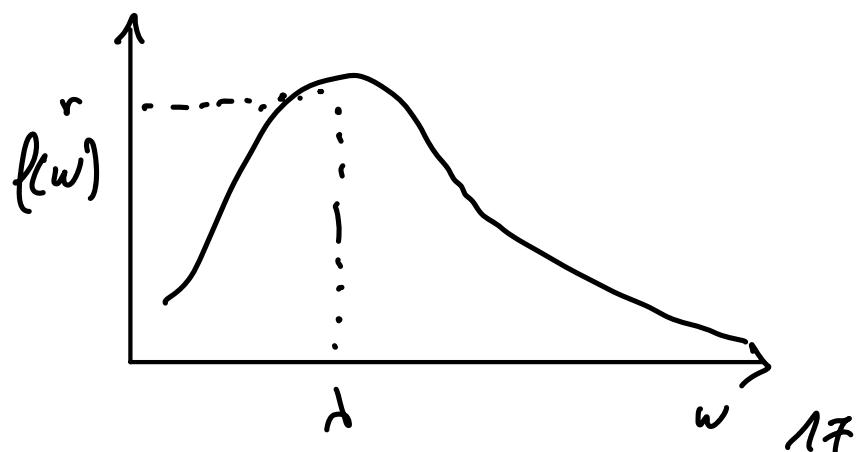
frequency between
0 and π

\Rightarrow related to the characteristic
roots of the polynomial

e.g. α_1 $r = 0.7$

α_2 $\lambda = 12$

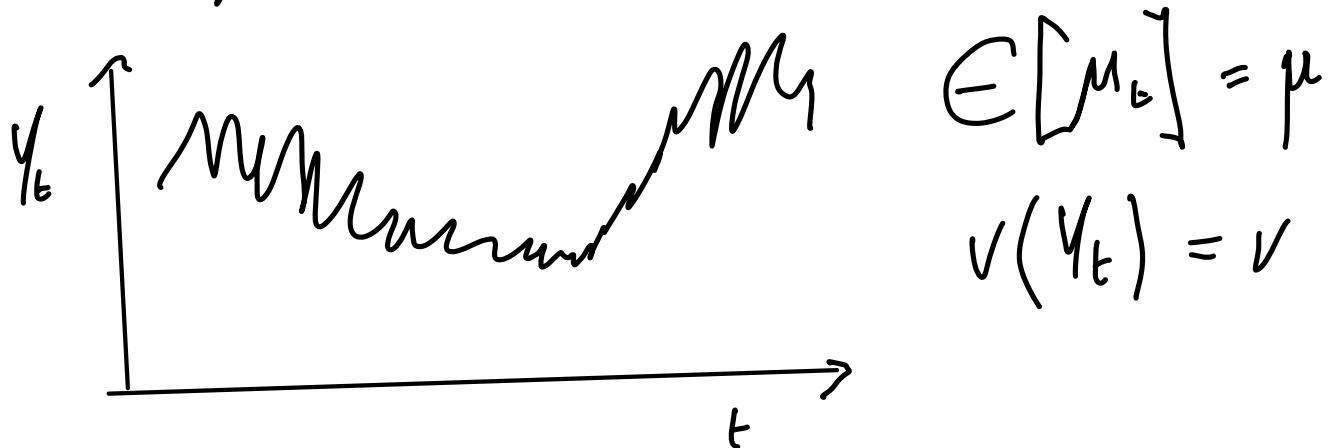
periodicity



The Normal Dynamic Linear Model (NDLM)

For modelling and analysing nonstationary time series.

$$Y_t = \mu + V_t, \quad V_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v)$$



$$Y_t = \mu_t + V_t, \quad V_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v)$$

$$\mu_t = \mu_{t-1} + w_t, \quad w_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, w) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{the mean level} \\ \text{is changing over} \\ \text{time} \end{array} \right\}$$

The general class of DLM can be written as follows

$$Y_t = F_t^T \underline{\theta}_t + V_t, \quad V_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, V_t) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{observation} \\ \text{equation} \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\theta}_t = G_t \underline{\theta}_{t-1} + w_t, \quad w_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, W_t) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{system} \\ \text{equation} \end{array}$$

F_t : vector of dimension K

$\underline{\theta}_t$: vector of dimension K of parameters

G_t : $K \times K$ matrix

V_b : variance matrix obs. level
 W_t : variance matrix system level

$$\underline{\theta}_0 \sim N(m_0, C_0) \quad \text{prior}$$

↓
given

For inference, we are interesting in

$$1. \ p(\underline{\theta}_t | D_t) \quad \text{filtering distribution}$$

$$D_t = \{D_0, Y_{1:T}\}$$

$$2. \ p(Y_{t+h} | D_t) \quad \text{forecasting distribution}$$

$$3. \ p(\underline{\theta}_t | D_T) \quad \text{smoothing distribution}$$

$$t < T$$

$$f_t(h) = E[Y_{t+h} | D_t] = F_{t+h}^T G_{t+h} \dots \\ G_{t+1} E[\underline{\theta}_t | D_t]$$

$$F_t = F \Rightarrow f_t(h) = F^T G^h E[\underline{\theta}_t | D_t]$$

$$G_t = G$$

$$\{F_t, G_t, V_t, W_t\}$$

Polynomial Trend Models

- first order polynomial model

$$Y_t = \theta_t + v_t, \quad v_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v_t)$$

$$\theta_t = \theta_{t-1} + w_t, \quad w_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, w_t)$$

$$\{1, 1, v_t, w_t\}$$

forecast function

$$f_t(h) = E[\theta_t | D_t]$$

- second order polynomial model

$$Y_t = \theta_{t,1} + v_t, \quad v_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, v_t)$$

$$\theta_{t,1} = \theta_{t-1,1} + \theta_{t-1,2} + w_{t,1}$$

$$\theta_{t,2} = \theta_{t-1,2} + w_{t,2}$$

$$\underline{w}_t = \begin{pmatrix} w_{t,1} \\ w_{t,2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{w}_t \sim N(0, W_t)$$

Bivariate Normal

$$\underline{\theta}_G = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_{t,1} \\ \theta_{t,2} \end{pmatrix} \quad F^T = (1, 0) \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Past values of the
second component

$$f_t(h) = F^T G^h \in [\underline{\theta}_t | \bar{\theta}_t] = (1, h) \in [\underline{\theta}_t | \bar{\theta}_t]$$

$$G^h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & h \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (K_{t,1} + K_{t,2} h)$$

linear function on the number of steps ahead h

- general polynomial model
 p^{th} order model

$$\underline{\theta}_t = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\theta}_{t,1} \\ \vdots \\ \underline{\theta}_{t,p} \end{pmatrix} \quad F^T = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = J_p(I)$$

$$f_t(h) = (K_{t,0} + K_{t,1} h + \dots + K_{t,p-1} h^{p-1})$$

Other parametrizations exist.

Depending on the "shape" of the time series we chose the degree of the polynomial model accordingly.

The superposition principle

$$f_t(h) = (K_{t,0} + K_{t,1} h) + (K_{t,2} X_{t+h})$$

general structure that we want for the forecast function

$$f_{1t}(h) = (K_{t,0} + K_{t,1} h)$$

$$f_{2t}(h) = K_{t,2} X_{t+h}$$

$$\left\{ F_1, G_1, \dots, \right\} \quad F_1 = E_1 = (1, 0)^T \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \right\} \text{ for } f_{1t}(h)$$

$$\left\{ F_2, G_2, \dots, \right\} \quad F_2 = X_t \quad G_2 = 1 \quad \left. \right\} \text{ for } f_{2t}(h)$$

$$\left\{ F, G, \dots, \right\} \quad F = (1, 0, X_t) \quad G = \text{block-diagonal structure} \\ (G_1, G_2)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Filtering

Bayesian approach to filtering, smoothing and forecasting equations

$$Y_t = F_t^T \theta_t + v_t, \quad v_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, V_t)$$

$$\theta_t = G_t \theta_{t-1} + w_t, \quad w_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, W_t)$$

$$(\theta_0 | D_0) \sim N(m_0, C_0)$$

prior distribution : Normal-Normal conjugate

$$\text{assumption : } (\theta_{t-1} | D_{t-1}) \sim N(m_{t-1}, C_{t-1})$$

- prior at time t

$$(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) \sim N(,)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\theta_t | D_{t-1}] &= G_t E[\theta_{t-1} | D_{t-1}] \\ &= G_t m_{t-1} = a_t \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) = G_t \text{Var}(\theta_{t-1} | D_{t-1}) G_t^T + W_t$$

$$= G_t C_{t-1} G_t^T w_t = R_t$$

• $(Y_t | D_{t-1})$ one step ahead forecast

$$(Y_t | D_{t-1}) \sim N(\quad , \quad)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_t | D_{t-1}] = F_t^T \mathbb{E}[\theta_t | D_{t-1}] = F_t^T a_t = f_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(Y_t | D_{t-1}) &= F_t^T \text{var}(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) F_t + V_t \\ &= F_t^T R_E F_t + V_t = q_t \end{aligned}$$

posterior

$$\bullet (\theta_t | D_E) \quad D_E = \{D_{t-1}, Y_t\}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} \theta_t \\ Y_t \end{array} \middle| D_{t-1} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{prior}} \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_t \\ f_t \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} R_E & R_E F_t \\ F_t^T R_E & q_t \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

one step ahead forecast ? $\text{cov}(\theta_t, Y_t | D_{t-1})$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cov}(\theta_t, y_t | D_{t-1}) &= \text{cov}(\theta_t, F_t^T \theta_t + v_t | D_{t-1}) \\ &= \text{var}(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) F_t \\ &= \underline{R_t F_t}\end{aligned}$$

- $(\theta_t | Y_t, D_{t-1})$

Same as

$$(\theta_t | D_t)$$

from Normal theory, we know that if we have:

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$(X_1, X_2) \sim N(\alpha^*, \Sigma^*)$$

$$\alpha^* = \alpha_1 + \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (X_2 - \alpha_2)$$

$$\Sigma^* = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}$$

So

$$(\theta_t | Y_t, D_{t-1}) \sim N(m_t, C_t)$$

$$(\theta_t | D_t)$$

$$m_t = a_t + R_t F_t q_t^{-1} (y_t - p_t)$$

and $C_t = R_t - R_t F_t q_t^{-1} F_t^T R_t$

set $e_t = y_t - p_t$

$$A_t = R_t F_t q_t^{-1}$$

$$m_t = a_t + A_t e_t$$

$$C_t = R_t - A_t q_t A_t^T$$

} posterior mean of
the filtering equations
and var.

Smoothing and Forecasting

$$Y_t = F_t^T \theta_t + V_t, \quad V_t \sim N(0, V) \quad \text{obs. equation}$$

$$\theta_t = G_t \theta_{t-1} + W_t, \quad W_t \sim N(0, W) \quad \text{System equation}$$

$$\{F_t, G_t, V_t, W_t\}$$

illustrate the process:

$$\theta_0 \quad \theta_1$$

$$y_1 \quad y_2$$

$$\theta_2 \quad \theta_3$$

$$y_3$$

$$y_4$$

conj prior $N(m_0, C_0) \rightarrow a_1, R_1 \rightarrow a_2, R_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots$

forecast $p_1, q_1 \rightarrow p_2, q_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \dots$

using filtering

$$\begin{matrix} m_1, c_1 \\ a_3(-2), R_3(-2) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} m_2, c_2 \\ a_3(-1), R_3(-1) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} m_3, c_3 \\ a_3(0), R_3(0) \end{matrix}$$

smoothing $(\theta_{t|T} | D_T) \sim N(a_T(t-T), R_T(t-T))$

$$t \leq T$$

recursions

$$a_T(t-T) = m_t + B_t [a_T(t-T+1) - a_{t+1}]$$

$$R_T(t-T) = c_t + B_t [R_T(t-T+1) - R_{t+1}] B_t^T$$

$$\begin{cases} a_T(0) = m_T, R_T(0) = c_t \\ B_t = C_t G_{t+1}^T C_t \end{cases}$$

forecasting distributions:

$$(\theta_{t+h} | D_t) \sim N(a_t(h), R_t(h)) \quad h \geq 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a_t(h) = G_{t+h} a_t(h-1), a_t(0) = m_t \\ R_t(h) = G_{t+h} R_t(h-1) G_{t+h}^T + W_{t+h} \quad R_t(0) = c_t \end{cases}$$

$$(Y_{t+h} | D_t) \sim N(f_t(h), q_t(h))$$

$$f_t(h) = F_{t+h}^T a_t(h)$$

$$q_t(h) = F_{t+h}^T R_t(h) F_{t+h} + V_{t+h}$$

Fourier Representation (Seasonal representation)

- $\omega \in [0, \pi]$ ω : Frequency

$$\{E_2, J_2(1, \omega, \cdot, \cdot)\}$$

$$E_2 = (1, 0)^T \quad J_2(1, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega) & \sin(\omega) \\ -\sin(\omega) & \cos(\omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_t(h) = E_2^T [J_2(1, \omega)]^h \begin{pmatrix} a_t \\ b_t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (1, 0) \begin{pmatrix} \cos(wh) & \sin(wh) \\ -\sin(wh) & \cos(wh) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_t \\ b_t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= a_t \cos(wh) + b_t \sin(wh)$$

$$= A_t \cos(wh + \beta_t)$$

↑ ↑
amplitude phase

- if $\omega = \pi$

$$\{1, -1, \cdot, \cdot\}$$

$$P_t(h) = (-1)^h a_e \quad \text{oscillatory behaviour}$$

P : period

- when P is an odd number

$$P = 2m - 1$$

$$\omega_j = \frac{2\pi j}{P} \quad j = 1, \dots, 2m - 1$$

Now, using the superposition principle

$$\{F, G, \cdot, \cdot\} \quad \theta_E : 2(m-1) \text{-vector}$$

$$F = (\epsilon_1^T, \epsilon_2^T, \dots, \epsilon_n^T)^T$$

$$G = \text{block-diagonal} \left(J_2(1, \omega_1), \dots, J_2(1, \omega_{m-1}) \right)$$

$$f_t(h) = \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} A_{t,j} \cos(\omega_j h + B_{t,j}) \quad \text{forecast function}$$

- P even number $P = 2m$

$$\omega_j = \frac{2\pi j}{P} \quad j = 1, \dots, m-1$$

$$\omega_m = \pi$$

$$\{F, G, \dots\}$$

$$F = (E_2^T, E_2^T, \dots, E_2^T, 1)^T$$

$$G = \text{block-diagonal} \left(J_2(1, \omega_1), \dots, J_2(1, \omega_{m-1}), -1 \right)$$

$$f_t(h) = \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} A_{t,j} \cos(\omega_j h + B_{t,j}) + A_{t,m}(-1)^h$$

There are other representations, e.g. seasonal factor representations.

Building NDLM's with multiple components

- Linear trend + seasonal component $P=4$

(a) linear trend

$$\{F_1, G_1, \dots\}$$

$$F_1 = (1, 0)^\top \quad G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_{1,6}(h) = K_{t,0} + K_{\epsilon,1h}$$

(b) seasonal component

$$P = 4 = 2 \cdot 2m$$

$$w_1 = \frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \{F_2, G_2, \dots\}$$

$$w_2 = \pi \quad F_2 = (E_2^\top, 1) = (1, 0, 1)^\top$$

$$G_2 = \text{blockdiagonal}\left(J_2(1, w_1), -1\right)$$

$$G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\pi/2) & \sin(\pi/2) & 0 \\ -\sin(\pi/2) & \cos(\pi/2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Linear + seasonal

$$\{F, G, \cdot, \cdot\}$$

$$F = (F_1^T, F_2^T)^T$$

$$G = \text{blockdiagonal}(G_1, G_2)$$

$$f_{2t}(h) = A_{t,1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}h + B_{t,1}\right) + A_{t,2}(-1)^h$$

$$f_t(h) = f_{1t}(h) + f_{2t}(h)$$

Filtering, Smoothing and Forecasting :

(Unknown observational variance)

Filtering $V_t = V$, V unknown

we will place a prior distribution on the variance

$$Y_t = F_t^T \theta_t + v_t, v_t \sim N(0, V)$$

$$\theta_t = G_t \theta_{t-1} + w_t, w_t \sim N(0, V_w)$$

$$(\theta_0 | D_0, v) \sim N(m_0, vC_0)$$

$$(v | D_0) \sim IG(n_0/2, d_0/2), d_0 = n_0 s_0$$

Filtering and smoothing equations in closed-form.

Conditional Filtering equations:

$$(\theta_{t-1} | D_{t-1}, v) \sim N(m_{t-1}, vC_{t-1}^*)$$

$$(v | D_{t-1}) \sim IG(n_{t-1}/2, d_{t-1}/2) \quad d_{t-1} = n_{t-1} s_{t-1}$$

- $(\theta_t | D_{t-1}, v) \sim N(a_t, vR_t^*)$

$$a_t = G_t m_{t-1}, R_t^* = G_t C_{t-1}^* G_t^T + W_t^*$$

- $(y_t | D_{t-1}, v) \sim N(p_t, vq_t^*)$

$$p_t = F_t^T a_t, q_t^* = F_t^T R_t^* F_t + 1$$

posterior distribution for the variance

- $(v | D_t) \sim IG(n_t/2, d_t/2)$

$$n_t = n_{t-1} + 1, \quad d_t = n_t s_t$$

$$S_t = S_{t-1} + \frac{S_{t-1}}{n_t} \left(\frac{\rho_t^2}{q_t} - 1 \right), \quad q_t = S_{t-1} q_t^*$$

$$e_t = y_t - p_t$$

- $(\theta_t | D_t, v) \sim N(m_t, v C_t^*)$

$$m_t = a_t + A_t e_t, \quad C_t^* = R_t^* - A_t A_t^T q_t^*$$

$$A_t = R_t^* F_t / q_t^*$$

we also have :

- $(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) \sim T_{n_{t-1}}(a_t, R_t)$

$$R_t = S_{t-1} R_t^*$$

- $(y_t | D_{t-1}) \sim T_{n_{t-1}}(p_t, q_t), \quad q_t = S_{t-1} q_t^*$

- $(\theta_t | D_t) \sim T_{n_t}(m_t, C_t), \quad C_t = S_t C_t^*$

Smoothing equations:

$$(\theta_t | D_T) \sim T_{n_T} (\alpha_T(t-T), R_T(t-T) s_T / s_t)$$

Forecasting

$$\bullet (\theta_{t+h} | D_t) \sim T_{n_t} (\alpha_t(h), R_t(h))$$

$$\alpha_t(h) = G_{t+h} \alpha_t(h-1)$$

$$R_t(h) = G_{t+h} R_t(h-1) G_{t+h}^T + W_{t+h}$$

$$\bullet (Y_{t+h} | D_t) \sim T_{n_t} (f_t(h), q_t(h))$$

$$f_t(h) = F_{t+h}^T \alpha_t(h) , q_t(h) = F_{t+h}^T R_t(h) F_{t+h} + S_t$$

Specifying the system Covariance matrix via discount factors

$$\{F_t, G_t, V_t, W_t\}$$

- V_t, W_t Known for all t
- $V_t = V$, with V known and W_t known

for all t

- V_t is known for all t

$$\text{var}(\theta_t | D_{t-1}) = R_t = \underbrace{G_t C_{t-1} G_t^T}_{P_t} + W_t$$

$P_t = G_t C_{t-1} G_t^T$ corresponds to the prior variance
in a model of the form

$$\{F_t, G_t, V_t, \theta\}$$

$$R_t = \frac{P_t}{\delta} \quad \text{with} \quad \delta \in [0, 1] \quad \begin{matrix} \text{discount} \\ \text{factor} \end{matrix}$$

δ close to 0 \Rightarrow more uncertainty

$$R_t = P_t + W_t = \frac{P_t}{\delta} \Rightarrow W_t = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\delta}\right) P_t$$

e.g.

$$P_1 = G_1 C_0 G_1^T$$

- $V_T = V$, V unknown

$$w_t^* = \left(\frac{1-\delta}{\delta} \right) P_t^*$$

with $P_t^* = G_t C_{t-1}^* G_t^T$

How do we choose δ in practice?

$\delta \in (0, 1]$ usually we consider $\delta \geq 0.8$

We can use a one-step ahead predictive distributions

$$\underbrace{\log(P(Y_{1:T} | D_0, \delta))}_{l(\delta)} = \sum_{t=1}^T \log(P(Y_t | D_{t-1}, \delta))$$

$l(\delta)$ can be used as a likelihood function for δ .

"optimal" δ by maximizing $l(\delta)$

We can also consider

$$T^2 \text{SE}(\delta) = \sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2(\delta) / T \quad \begin{matrix} \text{to be} \\ \text{minimized} \end{matrix}$$

with $e_t(\delta) = Y_t - f_t(\delta)$

"optimal" δ by minimizing $MSE(\delta)$

Code notes

NDLFT, unknown observational variance example

for filtering, smoothing and forecasting

Unknown V

set-up-dlm-matrices-unknown-v : pass arguments
 F_t, G_t, W_t -star to the function

set-up-initial-states-unknown-v : pass priors
parameters. So is an initial estimate for the
variance. Inverse Gamma prior.

forward-filter-unknown-v : if we pass delta, the
function assume we use a discount factor.

n_t : degrees of freedom parameters

backward_smoothing_unknown_v: delta for providing a discount factor. No delta: W_t provided by the user.

forecast_function_unknown_v : forecast function

dataset : Nile : 100 annual measurements to the Nile river

We use a first order polynomial level break 95 to use the model, 5 to estimate set up the matrices.

M_0 : prior parameter, a priori the mean is 800.

C_0 : 10 (variance)

1. Compute the moments of the filtering distribution and credible interval.
2. Smoothing function and distribution of the state parameter vector.

3. $K=5$ steps ahead forecast function and
credible interval.

4. Plot the results filtering : red
smoothing : blue

Case study : ECG data (Electroencephalogram)

Has been analysed in multiple papers.

We will compute the optimal discount factor

Time varying autoregressive model of order 12

analysis with 3200 observations first

data : higher frequency for lower quasi periodicity
at the beginning.

lower amplitude over time towards the end

G_t is constant over time.

F_t varies over time.

Co-star : prior variance of 10

No : 1 degree of freedom (prior)

W_t defined using a discount factor.

use MSE to pick the optimal discount factor. 0.994 (fairly large: variation smoothly over time)

β_{true} : mean of the smoothing distribution
(capturing the patterns of the data)

reciprocal roots for each time t .

and also obtain a spectral representation.

moduli
periods

Model order of 12.

Plot : roots that have the largest modulus over time.

Trajectory based on the smoothing distribution.
starts high then oscillates but fairly persistant

Frequency (in herz) : declining.

Frequency starting a little bit higher than 5 herz
then progressively declining.

Dominant component mostly above the delta band.

library astsa

arma.spec

results corresponds to one spectra density.

picking different times.

location of the dominant peak is decreasing over time

Google trends

library(gtrendsR)

1. download

2. Plot (trends? Periodicity?)

3. Choose model (linear trend for Forecast function)

4. Fourier representation with a period of 12 42

5. Define the structure of the DLM
6. dlm package to find parameters /matrices
 m_0 = mean level
7. names (model) check we have F and G.
 n_0 = degrees of freedom
8. Set up the matrices
9. Use optimal discount factor
10. Retrieving results for filtering, smoothing and forecasting distributions and credible intervals
11. Plots / smoothing distribution is capturing the trend.
12. Analyse (variations in amplitude?)

Own Project