

Assignment #4

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"I pledge my honor that I have abided by the Stevens Honor System." N. Colonna

Problem 1: AR(2) model

$$r_t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t, \quad a_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a) E[r_t | F_{t-1}] &= E[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t | F_{t-1}] \\ &= E[\phi_0 | F_{t-1}] + E[\phi_1 r_{t-1} | F_{t-1}] + E[\phi_2 r_{t-2} | F_{t-1}] + \underbrace{E[a_t | F_{t-1}]}_{=0} \\ &= \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[r_t | F_{t-1}] = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) \text{Var}[r_t | F_{t-1}] &= E[(r_t - E[r_t | F_{t-1}])^2 | F_{t-1}] \\ &= E[(r_t - \phi_0 - \phi_1 r_{t-1} - \phi_2 r_{t-2})^2 | F_{t-1}] \\ &= E[a_t^2 | F_{t-1}] \\ &= E[a_t^2] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[r_t | F_{t-1}] = \sigma^2$$

Problem 2: AR(2) $\rightarrow r_t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t, \quad a_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$$a) E[r_{t+2} | F_t] \rightarrow r_{t+2} = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t+1} + \phi_2 r_t + a_{t+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[r_{t+2} | F_t] &= E[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t+1} + \phi_2 r_t + a_{t+2} | F_t] \\ &= E[\phi_0 | F_t] + E[\phi_1 r_{t+1} | F_t] + E[\phi_2 r_t | F_t] + E[a_{t+2} | F_t] \\ &= \phi_0 + \phi_1 \underbrace{E[r_{t+1} | F_t]}_{\text{same idea as } E[r_t | F_{t-1}]} + \phi_2 r_t + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[r_{t+2} | F_t] = \phi_0 + \phi_1 (\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_t + \phi_2 r_{t-1}) + \phi_2 r_t$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) \quad \phi_0 &= 0.001 & r_t &= 0.015 \\
 \phi_1 &= 0.5 & r_{t-1} &= 0.005 \\
 \phi_2 &= 0.3 & \sigma^2 &= 0.0001
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[r_{t+2}|F_t] &= \phi_0 + \phi_1(\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_t + \phi_2 r_{t-1}) + \phi_2 r_t \\
 &= .001 + .5 \cdot (.001 + .5 \cdot .015 + .3 \cdot .005) + .3 \cdot .015 \\
 &= .001 + .5 \cdot (.01) + .0045
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[r_{t+2}|F_t] = 0.0105$$

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Problem 2

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#2c
#phi0=0.001, phi1=0.5, phi2=0.3, rt=0.015, rt-1=0.005 var=0.0001

sum <- 0
for(i in 1:1000){
  rs <- c(0.005, 0.015) #(rt-1, rt)
  a <- rnorm(1, 0, sqrt(0.0001))
  for(j in 1:2){ #generates next 2 values, making rs<-(rt-1, rt, rt+1, rt+2)
    rs <- c(rs, 0.001+0.5*rs[j+1]+0.3*rs[j]+a)
  }
  sum <- sum + rs[4] #adds only the term for rt+2 to the sum variable
}

avgRp2 <- sum / 1000
avgRp2

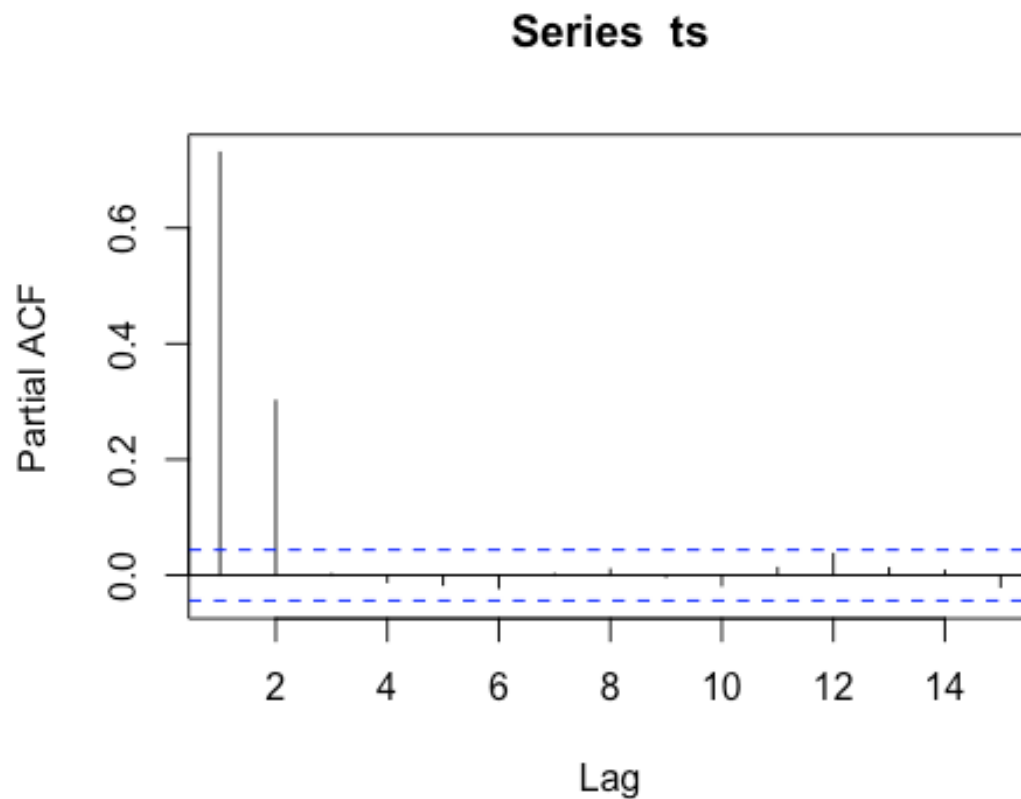
## [1] 0.01051579


#2d
ts <- c(0.005, 0.015)
for(i in 1:2000){ #iterates to generate timeseries, starting at rt+1 and
  #ending at rt+2000
  at <- rnorm(1, 0, sqrt(0.0001))
  ts <- c(ts, 0.001+0.5*ts[i+1]+0.3*ts[i]+at)
}

summary(ts)

##      Min.   1st Qu.   Median     Mean   3rd Qu.    Max.
## -0.045140 -0.005756  0.005772  0.005333  0.016300  0.055830
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#2e  
pacf(ts, lag.max=15)
```



Given the results of the PACF, the recommended AR order is 2

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#2f  
ar2model <- ar(ts, method="mle")  
ar2model$ar
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## [1] 0.5098432 0.3014436
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ar2model$var.pred
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## [1] 0.0001063846
```

These parameter do a pretty good job approximating the real parameter values. The real parameters are $\phi_1=0.5$, $\phi_2=0.3$, and $\text{var}=0.0001$. The estimated parameters were $\phi_1=0.50984$, $\phi_2=0.30144$, and $\text{var}=0.0001064$, which are very close to the actual values.

Bonus 1: AR(2) $\rightarrow r_t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t$, $a_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } E[r_t | F_{t-2}] &= E[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t | F_{t-2}] \\ &= E[\phi_0 | F_{t-2}] + E[\phi_1 r_{t-1} | F_{t-2}] + E[\phi_2 r_{t-2} | F_{t-2}] + \underbrace{E[a_t | F_{t-2}]}_{=0} \\ &= \phi_0 + E[\phi_1 r_{t-1} | F_{t-2}] + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[r_t | F_{t-2}] = \phi_0 + \phi_1 [\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2}] + \phi_2 r_{t-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \text{Var}[r_t | F_{t-2}] &= \text{Var}[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} + a_t | F_{t-2}] \\ &= \text{Var}[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + \phi_2 r_{t-2} | F_{t-2}] + \text{Var}[a_t | F_{t-2}] \\ &= \underbrace{\text{Var}[\phi_0 + \phi_2 r_{t-2} | F_{t-2}]}_{=0} + \phi_1^2 \text{Var}[r_{t-1} | F_{t-2}] + \text{Var}[a_t | F_{t-2}] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \phi_1^2 \sigma^2 + \sigma^2$$

$$\text{Var}[r_t | F_{t-2}] = \sigma^2(\phi_1^2 + 1)$$

Bonus 2: AR(1) $\rightarrow r_t = \phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + a_t$, $a_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, $r_t = \text{stationary}$

a) $E[r_t]$ (unconditional expected value)

$$\begin{aligned} E[r_t] &= E[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + a_t] \\ &= E[\phi_0] + E[\phi_1 r_{t-1}] + E[a_t] \\ &= \phi_0 + \phi_1 \underbrace{E[r_{t-1}]}_{\text{same as } E[r_t]} + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[r_t] = \phi_0 + \phi_1 E[r_t]$$

$$E[r_t] - \phi_1 E[r_t] = \phi_0$$

$$E[r_t](1 - \phi_1) = \phi_0$$

$$E[r_t] = \frac{\phi_0}{(1 - \phi_1)}$$

b) $\text{Var}[r_t]$ (unconditional variance)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[r_t] &= \text{Var}[\phi_0 + \phi_1 r_{t-1} + a_t] \\ &= \text{Var}[\phi_0] + \text{Var}[\phi_1 r_{t-1}] + \text{Var}[a_t] \\ &= 0 + \phi_1^2 \underbrace{\text{Var}[r_{t-1}]}_{\text{same as } \text{Var}[r_t]} + \sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[r_t] &= \phi_1^2 \text{Var}[r_t] + \sigma^2 \\ \text{Var}[r_t] - \phi_1^2 \text{Var}[r_t] &= \sigma^2 \\ \text{Var}[r_t](1 - \phi_1^2) &= \sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[r_t] = \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \phi_1^2)}$$

Bonus 3: Prove that

$$\gamma_1 = \text{COV}(r_t, r_{t-1}) = E[(r_t - \mu)(r_{t-1} - \mu)]$$

and for a general l , $\gamma_l = E[(r_t - \mu)(r_{t-l} - \mu)]$

$$r_t = \mu + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi_i a_{t-i} \quad \text{where } \phi_0 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{ex } r_t &= \mu + a_t + \phi_1 a_{t-1} + \phi_2 a_{t-2} + \dots \\ r_{t-1} &= \mu + a_{t-1} + \phi_1 a_{t-2} + \phi_2 a_{t-3} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_1 &= V(r_{t-1}) = E[(r_{t-1} - E[r_{t-1}])^2] = E[(r_{t-1} - \mu)^2] \\ &= E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi_{i-1} a_{t-i}\right)^2\right] \\ &= E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi_{i-1} a_{t-i}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \phi_{j-1} a_{t-j}\right)\right] \\ \gamma_1 &= E[(r_t - \mu)(r_{t-1} - \mu)] = \text{COV}(r_t, r_{t-1})\end{aligned}$$

In general,

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_l &= V(r_{t-l}) = E[(r_{t-l} - E[r_{t-l}])^2] = E[(r_{t-l} - \mu)^2] \\ &= E\left[\left(\sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \phi_{i-l} a_{t-i}\right)^2\right] \\ &= E\left[\left(\sum_{i=l}^{\infty} \phi_{i-l} a_{t-i}\right) \left(\sum_{j=l}^{\infty} \phi_{j-l} a_{t-j}\right)\right] \\ \gamma_l &= E[(r_t - \mu)(r_{t-l} - \mu)]\end{aligned}$$