

Spatial Data Analysis

Lab Exercise 2

Pen & paper problems

1.

a) Show that $Z(s)$ is intrinsic stationary

i) The mean is constant

By definition, the mean is constant, say $E(Z(s)) = 0$.

ii) $Var(Z(s) - Z(t))$ depends only on the lag difference.

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(Z(s), Z(t)) &= E(Z(s)Z(t)) - E(Z(s))E(Z(t)) \\ &= E(Z(s)Z(t)) \\ &= \sigma^2 \min(s, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Var(Z(s) - Z(t)) &= E((Z(s) - Z(t))^2) - E(Z(s) - Z(t))^2 \\ &= E((Z(s) - Z(t))^2) - (E(Z(s)) - E(Z(t)))^2 \\ &= E((Z(s) - Z(t))^2) \\ &= E(Z(s)^2) - 2E(Z(s)Z(t)) + E(Z(t)^2) \\ &= Var(Z(s)) - 2E(Z(s)Z(t)) + Var(Z(t)) \\ &= \sigma^2 s - \sigma^2 \min(s, t) + \sigma^2 t \\ &= \begin{cases} -\sigma^2(s - t) & \text{if } s < t \\ \sigma^2(s - t) & \text{if } s \geq t \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Variance of difference depend only on the lag difference $s - t$ and hence $Z(s)$ is intrinsic stationary.

Here $Z(s)$ is not second-order stationary since the covariance depends also on the actual positions, say, in general it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(Z(s), Z(t)) &= \sigma^2 \min(s, t) \\ &\neq \sigma^2 \min(s + h, t + h) \\ &= Cov(Z(s + h), Z(t + h)) \end{aligned}$$

b) Show that $\{Y(s) = Z(s + 1) - Z(s) : s \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is second order stationary

i) The mean is constant.

$$E(Y(s)) = E(Z(s + 1)) - E(Z(s)) = 0 - 0 = 0$$

ii) Covariance between variate at two sites depends only on the site's relative positions.

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(Y(s), Y(t)) &= E(Y(s)Y(t)) - E(Y(s))E(Y(t)) \\
&= E(Y(s)Y(t)) \\
&= E[(Z(s+1) - Z(s))(Z(t+1) - Z(t))] \\
&= E[Z(s+1)Z(t+1) - Z(s+1)Z(t) - Z(t+1)Z(s) + Z(s)Z(t)] \\
&= E[Z(s+1)Z(t+1)] - E[Z(s+1)Z(t)] - E[Z(t+1)Z(s)] + E[Z(s)Z(t)] \\
&= \sigma^2(\min(s+1, t+1) - \min(s+1, t) - \min(s, t+1) + \min(s, t)) \\
&= \sigma^2((\min(s+1, t+1) + h) - (\min(s+1, t) + h) - (\min(s, t+1) + h) + (\min(s, t) + h)) \\
&= \sigma^2(\min(s+h+1, t+h+1) - \min(s+h+1, t+h) - \min(s+h, t+h+1) + \min(s+h, t+h)) \\
&= Cov(Y(s+h), Y(t+h))
\end{aligned}$$

c)

Derive covariance function $C_Y(h)$ of $\{Y(s) = Z(s+1) - Z(s) : s \in \mathbb{R}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
C_Y(h) &= Cov(Y(s+h), Y(s)) \\
&= \sigma^2[\min(s+h+1, s+1) - \min(s+h+1, s) - \min(s+h, s+1) + \min(s+h, s)] \\
&= \dots
\end{aligned}$$

If $h < 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\dots &= \sigma^2[s+h+1 - \min(s+h+1, s) - s - h + s + h] \\
&= \sigma^2[s+h+1 - \min(s+h+1, s)]
\end{aligned}$$

If $-1 < h < 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2[s+h+1 - \min(s+h+1, s)] &= \sigma^2[s+h+1 - s] \\
&= \sigma^2(h+1)
\end{aligned}$$

If $h < -1$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2[s+h+1 - \min(s+h+1, s)] &= \sigma^2[s+h+1 - s - h - 1] \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

If $h \geq 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\dots &= \sigma^2[s+1 - s - \min(s+h, s+1) + s] \\
&= \sigma^2[s+1 - \min(s+h, s+1)]
\end{aligned}$$

If $0 \leq h < 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2[s+1 - \min(s+h, s+1)] &= \sigma^2(s+1 - s - h) \\
&= \sigma^2(1-h)
\end{aligned}$$

If $1 \leq h$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2[s+1 - \min(s+h, s+1)] &= \sigma^2(s+1 - s - 1) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore the covariance function takes the form of

$$C_Y(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2(h+1), & \text{if } -1 < h < 0 \\ \sigma^2(1-h), & \text{if } 0 \leq h < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Because of the second-order stationary of the random field, the semivariogram is

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(h) &= C_Y(0) - C_Y(h) \\ &= \sigma^2 - C_Y(h) \\ &= \begin{cases} \sigma^2 - \sigma^2(h+1), & \text{if } -1 < h < 0 \\ \sigma^2 - \sigma^2(1-h), & \text{if } 0 \leq h < 1 \\ \sigma^2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -\sigma^2 h, & \text{if } -1 < h < 0 \\ \sigma^2 h, & \text{if } 0 \leq h < 1 \\ \sigma^2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Properties of semivariogram:

nugget effect: 0

sill: σ^2

range: 1