

Part 2:

$$X_t = 0.01 + 0.2X_{t-2} + a_t$$

deterministic
noise (stochastic/random)

where $\{a_t\}$ has mean 0 + variance 0.02.

(a) Mean: $E[X_t] = E[0.01 + 0.2X_{t-2} + a_t]$

$$\mu = E[0.01] + E[0.2X_{t-2}] + E[a_t]$$

$$\mu = 0.01 + 0.2E[X_{t-2}] + E[a_t]$$

$$\mu = 0.01 + 0.2\mu + E[a_t] \quad \text{since stationary}$$

$$\mu = 0.01 + 0.2\mu + 0$$

$$0.8\mu = 0.01 \rightarrow \mu = \frac{0.01}{0.8} \rightarrow \mu = 0.0125$$

Variance: $(X_t - \mu) = 0.2(X_{t-2} - \mu) + a_t$

$$E[X_t - \mu]^2 = E[0.2(X_{t-2} - \mu) + a_t]^2$$

$$= E[0.2^2(X_{t-2} - \mu)^2] + E[a_t^2] + E[2 \cdot a_t \cdot 0.2(X_{t-2} - \mu)]$$

$$\text{Var} = 0.2^2 \text{Var} + \sigma_a^2$$

$$0.96\text{Var} = \sigma_a^2 \rightarrow \sigma_a^2 = 0.021$$

(b) Lag-1 autocorrelation: $\rho_1 = 0$

Lag-2 autocorrelation: $\rho_2 = 0.2\rho_0 = 0.2(1) \rightarrow \rho_2 = 0.2$

(c) $X_{100} = -0.01, X_{99} = 0.02$.

One step ahead forecast: $\hat{X}_{101} = E[X_{101} / X_{100}, X_{99}]$

$$= 0.01 + 0.2X_{t-1}$$

$$= 0.01 + 0.2 \cdot 0.02$$

$$\hat{X}_{101} = 0.014$$

Two step ahead forecast: $\hat{X}_{102} = E[X_{102} / X_{100}, X_{99}]$

$$= 0.01 + 0.2X_{t-1}$$

$$= 0.01 + 0.2 \cdot (-0.01)$$

$$\hat{X}_{102} = -0.0021$$