Advanced Time Series Analysis: Computer Exercise 1

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Part 1

There is generated n = 1000 noise samples from a $x \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ which is used as the noise input for t in all simulations in part one.

The equations below are the used parameters though out this exercise. Let us call the eq. 1 and eq. 2 parameter set one (par_1) , eq. 3 and eq. 4 parameter set two (par_2) .

$$a_0 = [2.0, -1.0] \tag{1}$$

$$a_1 = [0.6, -0.9] \tag{2}$$

$$a_{02} = [3.0, -2.0] \tag{3}$$

$$a_{12} = [-0.6, 0.9] \tag{4}$$

SETAR(2,1,1)

The Self-Exciting Threshold AR (SETAR) model is given by eq. 5.

$$X_{t} = a_{0}^{(J_{t})} + \sum_{i=1}^{k_{(J_{t})}} a_{i}^{(J_{t})} X_{t-i} + \epsilon^{(J_{t})}$$

$$\tag{5}$$

where J_t are regime processes. The complete model are defined in eq. 6.

$$X_{t} = \begin{cases} a_{0,1} + a_{1,1}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_{t} & for \quad X_{t-1} \leq 0 \\ a_{0,2} + a_{1,2}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_{t} & for \quad X_{t-1} > 0 \end{cases}$$
 (6)

The model X_t (eq. 6) has been simulated with two different set of parameters (eq. 1 - eq. 4) and its simulations are plotted in fig. 1.

Fig. 1 shows the plot of the SETAR(2,1,1) model with the two different parameter sets.

- For both model it is possible to differentiate between the regimes and their transitions.
- It is also possible to see the inverse properties of the slop for the two models.
- Both models are using different offsets where the transition are most separated in the model which is using par_2 .

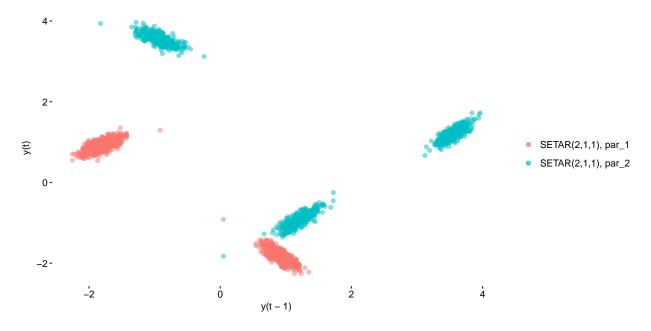


Figure 1: Two simulated SETAR(2,1,1) models using par_1 and par_2 .

IGAR(2,1)

The IGAR model are given by the same equation as the SETAR model (eq. 5) but using an external parameter to switch between regimes. The external shift parameter is in this case a random variable $p \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$.

The complete simulated IGAR model is given in eq. 7.

$$X_{t} = \begin{cases} a_{0,1} + a_{1,1}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_{t} & for \quad p \leq 0.5 \\ a_{0,2} + a_{1,2}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_{t} & for \quad p > 0.5 \end{cases}$$
 (7)

Fig. 2 shows the plot of the IGAR(2,1) model with the two different parameter sets.

- The IGAR model using a given external parameter to switch between regimes which is different from the SETAR model.
- The shift threshold is $p \le 0.5$ or p > 0.5 (eq. 7) which supports the distribution of the data points in fig. 2. The data point are more less equally distributed in both regimes for both IGAR models.

MMAR(2,1)

The simulated MMAR model has same properties as the IGAR model in eq. 7. The main difference are the properties of the transition parameter p. The transition parameters between regimes are given by the transition matrix P in eq. 8.

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.95 & 0.05 \\ 0.05 & 0.95 \end{pmatrix} \in R_1 \\ \in R_2$$
 (8)

Fig. 3 shows the plot of the MMAR(2,1) model with the two different parameter sets.

• P is useful for setting different thresholds for shifting between regimes.

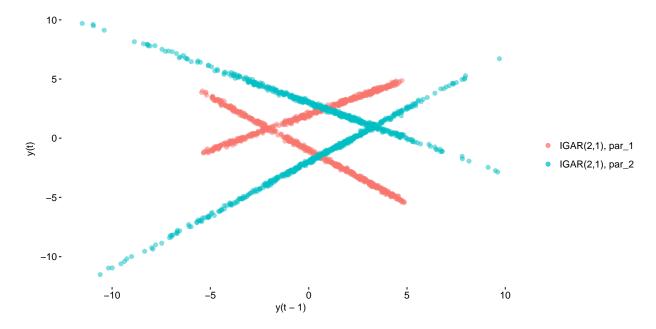


Figure 2: Two simulated IGAR(2,1) models using par_1 and par_2 .

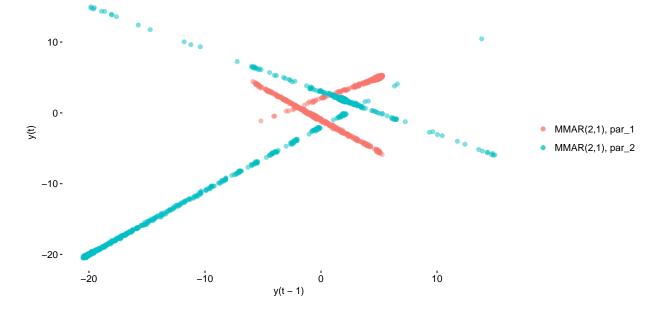


Figure 3: Two simulated MMAR(2,1) models using par_1 and par_2 .

- The diagonal in P is, in this case, determine external parameter for being this the current regime. The off-diagonal are external parameter for shifting to a new regime.
- The same external parameter p is used as input.
- It is possible to see a larger disburtion in the "lines" compared to the IGAR(2,1) model. This is due to the transistion matrix and because the model will be in the same regime for longer periods.

Common for above models

- The main difference between the three models are the properties for shifting to a new regime. The shift in the SETAR model depends on the previous value of the model. And the shifting in the IGAR model and in the MMAR model is activated by an external parameter.
- The main difference between the IGAR model and the MMAR model is that it is possible to determine different thresholds for shifting between deffirent regimes. Hereby it is possible to model "logic" transistions between stages.

Using the same SETAR model with par_1 from part 1, eq. 6.

Compute the theoretical mean

The theoretical mean, is given by eq. 9.

$$M(x) = E\{X_{t+1}|X_t = x\}$$
(9)

By the fact that the noise are Gaussian distributed, then $\epsilon_t = 0$ must be true and it is possible to rewrite the SETAR(2,1,1) model (eq. 6) to the theoretical mean in eq. 10.

$$M_{t} = \begin{cases} a_{0,1} + a_{1,1} X_{t-1} & for \quad X_{t-1} \le 0 \\ a_{0,2} + a_{1,2} X_{t-1} & for \quad X_{t-1} > 0 \end{cases}$$
 (10)

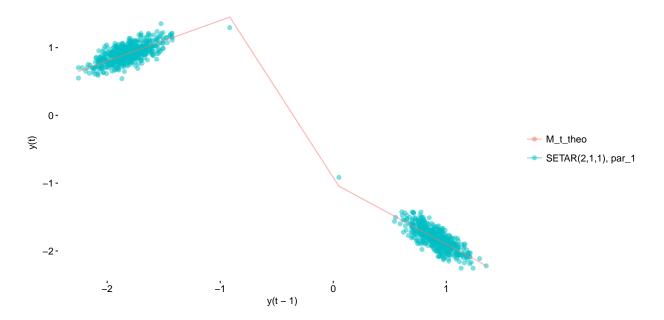


Figure 4: SETAR(2,1,1) with theoretical mean.

Fig. 4 shows the plot of the theoretical mean (M(x)) for the parameters set one. The plot looks as expected and I do not have any further comments.

Estimate the mean

I have chosen to use the function lm() to estimate the mean of the SETAR(2,1,1) model with the two selected bandwidths $bw_n = (0.2, 0.7)$. lm() is set to use a local second order polynomial regression.

The lm() uses the the weigths from the Epanechnikov kernel (function from sample code) to do the local estimate for the given bandwidth.

Fig. 5 shows the plot of the estimated means with two different bandwidths.

• The conceptual interpretation of the bandwidth is a measure for how many samples which should be used in the local fit of the second order polynomial.

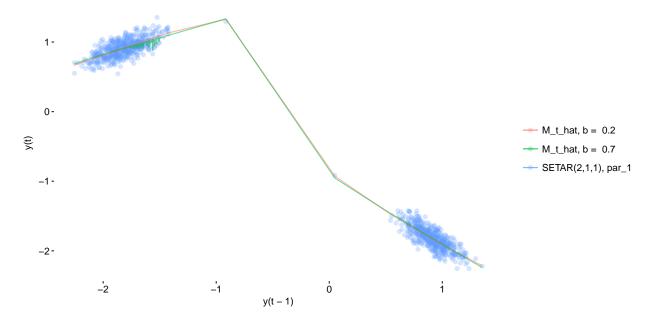


Figure 5: Plots of the estimated mean with different bandwidths.

- A higher bandwidth will decrease the variance but increase the bias.
- A lower bandwidth will increase the variance but decrease the bias.
- The best selection of the bandwidth can be found be using cross validation (see. 2.3.6 in Literature) and evaluate the residuals with respect the nature of the problem.
- If boundary estiamtion are essential for the problem then a lower bandwidth will perform best.

The cumulativeMeans.R script have been used to calculate the cumulative conditional mean.

The estimated cumulative conditional mean is based on X_t from eq. 6 and the theoretical cumulative conditional maen is based on M_t from eq. 10.

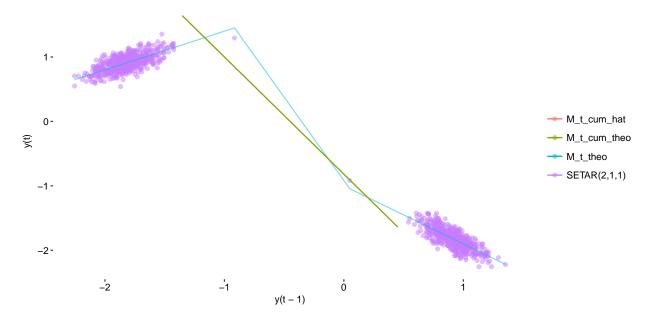


Figure 6: Plot of the theoretical cumulative conditional mean, estimated cumulative conditional mean, the theoretical mean adn the SETAR(2,1,1) model.

It has been chosen to use the same number of bins in for the theoretical cumulative conditional mean and the estimated cumulative conditional mean.

Fig. 6 shows the plot of the theoretical cumulative conditional mean, the estimated cumulative conditional mean, the theoretical mean and the SETAR(2,1,1) model.

- Due the data it was possible to seperate the data into 2 bins in order to satisfy the minimum of at least five observations in each bin.
- Common for both cumulative conditinal means is the adaption to the regime shift.
- Despite using the same number of bins in each of the cumulative conditional means, is it possible to see the different breakpoints/bin widths. This must be due to the distribution of the data. And as mentioned on page 70¹, the cumulative conditional mean is sensitive to the change in bandwidth (bin width).

¹Modelling Non-Linear and Non-Stationary Time Series

The conditional parametric model we wish to identify is given in eq. 11.

$$Y_t = \mu + g(X_{t-1})Y_{t-1} + \epsilon_t \tag{11}$$

where X_t is the input and Y_t is the output. The input is given by $X_t \sim \mathcal{U}(0.01, 0.99), \mu = 0$ and g(x) is defined in eq. 12.

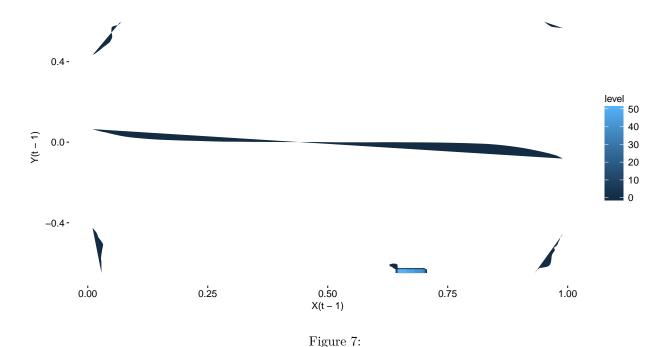
$$g(x) = 4x(1-x) \tag{12}$$

Fig. 7 shows the the function shows x as a function of g(x).

Local regression approach

There has been simulated a process of eq. 11 and I would like to find the dependence of Y_t on X_{t-1} and Y_{t-1} . The dependence will be discovered using local regression and a contour plot.

I have chosen to use the lm() with the Epanechnikov kernel with the bandwidth is chosen to 0.15. I assume there is a local linear relation between X_{t-1} and Y_{t-1} therefore the first order regression: $lm(Y_t \sim X_{t-1}) + Y_{t-1}$, weights=w[ok], data = data[ok,]) and as in the example there will only be consdiered samples which have weights greather than zero.



Instead of the 3D visualisation I have chosen to visulise Y_t dependence on X_{t-1} and Y_{t-1} in a contour plot. Fig. 7

• The contour lines are more less constant in

$Conditional\ parametric\ model\ approach$

I have used the following function call in the conditional parametric approach: $loess(Y_t \sim X_{t-1} + Y_{t-1})$, span = bw, degree = 1, data = data).

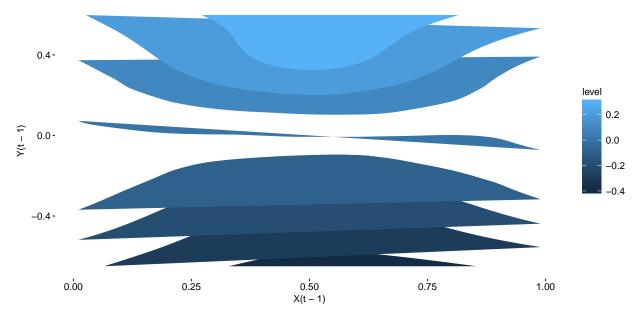


Figure 8:

Fig. 8

• How is the relation?

Native function acf() is the tool for identification of the model order and measures the degree of linear dependency in the time series.

I have tried to apply the acf() on the SETAR(2,1,1) model from part one and there was some deregee of linear dependency measured.

I will only focus at the first 10 lags in order to reduce computation time in the ldf().

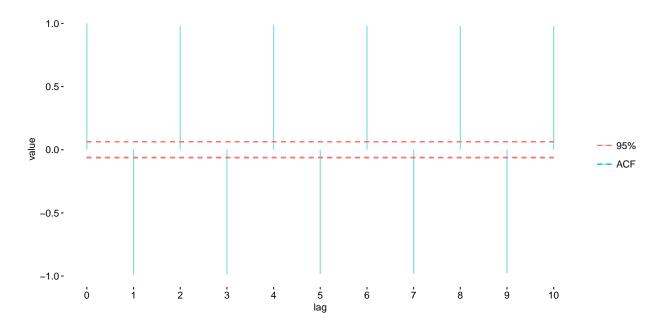


Figure 9: ACF of the SETAR(2,1,1) model from part one.

Fig. 9 shows the ACF of the model Y_t from eq. 11.

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Fig. 10 shows the LDF of the model Y_t from eq. 11.

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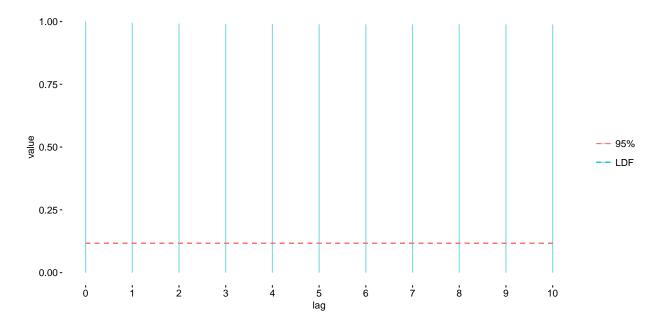


Figure 10: