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1. a. Our model is OLS $y[k] = x^T[k]\theta + e[k]$. Lets start from sum of squared errors (SSE). here error is the unpredictable part; the white noise signal e[k].

$$|e[k]|^{2} = |y - x^{T}[k]\theta|^{2}$$

$$SSE = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |y - x^{T}[k]\theta|^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (y - x^{T}[k]\theta)^{T} (y - x^{T}[k]\theta)$$

 $\frac{SSE}{n-p}$ is the unbiased estimator for variance.

$$\frac{SSE}{n-p} = \sigma_{\epsilon}^{2} = \frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (y - x^{T}[k]\theta)^{T} (y - x^{T}[k]\theta)$$

Now taking expectation: Take non vector elements of equation and prove.

$$E(\sigma_{\epsilon}^{2}) = E(\frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (y - x^{T}[k]\theta)^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-p} \left(E\left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (X_{i} - M)^{2}\right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-p} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (\sigma^{2} + \mu^{2}) - n\left(\frac{\sigma^{2}}{n} + \mu^{2}\right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-p} (n(\sigma^{2} + \mu^{2}) - n\left(\frac{\sigma^{2}}{n} + \mu^{2}\right))$$

$$= \sigma^{2}$$

b. An AR(p) model can be written as

$$v[k] + a_1v[k-1] + \cdots + a_pv[k-p] = e[k]$$

Where $e[k] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_e^2)$.