

PSTAT 174/274 Spring 2021 Homework 7

Note:  $\{Z_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma_Z^2)$  denotes white noise.

**1. (Updating AR(2) forecast in presence of more information.)** You are given the following AR(2) model:  $X_t = 33 + 0.5X_{t-2} + Z_t$ , where  $Z_t$  is a white noise process.

After observing  $x_{76} = 64$  and  $x_{77} = 68$ , your forecast for  $X_{80}$  is  $a$ .

After observing, in addition,  $x_{78} = 66$ , your forecast for  $X_{80}$  becomes  $b$ . Calculate  $b - a$ .

all Hint: Check Example 13.2 in lecture notes or on slide 11 of Week 7.

$$AR(p) = X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p X_{t-p} + Z_t \quad p=2$$

$$AR(2) = X_t = 33(1) + 0.5X_{t-2} + Z_t$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_{76} = 64 \\ x_{77} = 68 \\ \vdots \\ x_{80} = a \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} x_{78} = 66 \\ \vdots \\ x_{80} = b \end{array}$$

One-step

$$\begin{aligned} P_{80} X_{81} &= E_{80}[X_{81}] = 33E_{80}(X_{80}) + 0.5E_{80}(X_{79}) + E_{80}(Z_{81}) \\ &= 33X_{80} + 0.5X_{79} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &33X_{79} + 0.5X_{78} \quad 33X_{78} + 0.5X_{77} \\ &33(66) + 0.5(68) \\ &= 2178 + 34 \\ &= 2212 \end{aligned}$$

two-step

$$\begin{aligned} P_{80} X_{82} &= E_{80}(X_{82}) = 33E_{80}(X_{81}) + 0.5E_{80}(X_{80}) + E_{80}(Z_{82}) \\ &= \phi_1 P_{80} X_{n+h-1} \\ &= 33P_{80} X_{81} + 0.5X_{80} \quad \text{if } h=2 \\ &= (33)^2 X_{80} + 0.5X_{80} \quad \begin{array}{l} P_{80} X_{n+2} = \phi_1 P_{80} X_{n+1} \\ = \phi_1^2 X_{80} \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &33X_{77} + 0.5X_{76} \\ &33(68) + 0.5(64) \\ &= 2244 + 32 \\ &= 2276 \quad b-a \\ &= 64 \end{aligned}$$

2. (Standard error of forecast error.) You are given the following fitted AR(1) model:  $X_t = 5 + 0.85X_{t-1} + Z_t$ . The estimated mean squared error (that is, variance of  $Z_t$ ) is 13.645. Calculate the two-step ahead forecast standard error.

Hint: Check Example 13.1 in lecture notes or on slide 10 of Week 7.

$$\text{AR}(1): X_t = 5 + 0.85X_{t-1} + Z_t \quad \text{M.S.E.}(Z_t) = 13.645 \\ \phi_1 \quad (\text{var})$$

2-step ahead forecast standard error  $h=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{h=2}{P_n} X_{n+2} &= \phi_1^2 X_n \\ &= 0.85^2 X_n \end{aligned}$$

$$e_n(1) = X_{n+1} - 0.85^2 X_n = (0.85 X_{n+1-1} + Z_{n+1}) - 0.85 X_n = Z_{n+1}$$

$$e_n(2) = 0.85(Z_{n+1}) + Z_{n+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(e_n(2)) &\equiv 13.645 \left( \frac{1 - 0.85^4}{1 - 0.85^2} \right) \\ &= 23.5035125 \end{aligned}$$

3. (Box-Pierce Statistics.) A modeler fitted 100 observations, using ARMA(1,2) model. For the 100 residuals, she have determined the first seven autocorrelation coefficients:

k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\hat{\rho}_{\hat{W}}(k)$	.20	.15	-.18	.16	.08	.07	.09

Calculate the value of the Box-Pierce  $\chi^2$  statistics and determine the number of degrees of freedom for its distribution.

$$Q_W = n \sum_{j=1}^h \hat{\rho}_{\hat{W}}^2(j) \sim \chi^2(h-p-q) \quad \begin{matrix} h=7 \\ j=1 \\ n=100 \end{matrix}$$

$$Q_W = 100 \sum_{j=1}^7 (.2)^2 + (.15)^2 + (-.18)^2 + (.16)^2 + (.08)^2 + (.07)^2 + (.09)^2$$

$$.04 + .0225 + .0324 + .0256 + .0064 + .0049 + .0081$$

$$100 (.1399)$$

$$Q_W = 13.99 \sim \chi^2(7-1-2)$$

$$Q_W = 13.99 \sim \chi^2(4) \quad \nwarrow 4 \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

4. (Prediction intervals.) A Gaussian AR(1) model was fitted to a time series based on a sample of size  $n$ . You are given  $\hat{\phi}_1 = 0.8$ ,  $\hat{\mu} = 2$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_Z^2 = 9 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $x_n = 2.05$ . Write the 95% prediction interval for the observation three periods ahead.

Hint: review Example 13.1 of Week 7; slide 10. Do not forget that the mean is not 0!

$$|\hat{p}(h)| < \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ for all } h \geq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} h=1 : P_n X_{n+1} &= \phi_1 X_n \\ &= (0.8)(2.05) \\ &= 1.64 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_n(1) &= X_{n+1} - P_n X_{n+1} = (\phi_1 X_n + Z_{n+1}) - (\phi_1 X_n) = Z_{n+1} \\ &= 0.8(2.05) + Z_{n+1} - 0.8(2.05) \\ &= 1.64 + Z_{n+1} - 1.64 \\ &= Z_{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(e_n(1)) &= \frac{(9 \cdot 10^{-4}) (0.8)^2}{1 - (0.8)^2} \\ &= (9 \cdot 10^{-4}) \left( \frac{1 - 0.8}{1 - (0.8)^2} \right) \\ &= (9 \cdot 10^{-4}) \left( \frac{1}{.36} \right) \\ &= .0025 \end{aligned}$$