QBUS6840 Lecture 7

ARIMA Models (I)

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Recap and an example

Last half, we discussed

- ▶ Basic concepts: Forecasting problems, process of forecasting, time series components, etc.
- ► Time series decomposition: mainly for interpretation, can be useful for forecasting
- ► Time series regression: forecast based on predictors
- Exponential smoothing: can be used for both interpretation and forecasting

Example: Data Analytics in Logistic, IBM and DHL, https://www.dhl.com/content/dam/dhl/global/core/documents/pdf/glocore-trend-report-artificial-intelligence.pdf

...By analyzing 58 different parameters of internal data, the machine learning model is able to predict if the average daily transit time for a given lane is expected to rise or fall up to a week in advance. Furthermore, this solution is able to identify the top factors influencing shipment delays, including temporal factors like departure day or operational factors such as airline on-time performance...

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Readings

Online Textbook Sections 8.1-8.4 (otexts.org/fpp/8/); and/or BOK Ch 9 and Ch 10

Box-Jenkins Method

- ► A class of formal statistical time series models, often called ARIMA models
- ► Can capture complicated underlying patterns in the time series, rather than trend and seasonality
- Can be used as an alternative to, or in conjunction with, other forecasting techniques such as Exponential Smoothing
- Best textbook (in terms of theoretical foundation): Time Series Analysis: forecasting and control. 1st ed. 1976 (Box and Jenkins), 5th ed. 2015 (Box, Jenkins, Reinsel, Ljung).

Stationarity

The Box-Jenkins method relies heavily on the concept of stationarity

Definition

A time series process $\{Y_t\}$ is stationary if its mean, variance and covariance functions do not change over time. That is,

$$\mathbb{E}(Y_t) = \mu, \quad \mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \sigma^2,$$

and for each integer k,

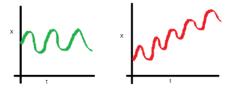
$$Cov(Y_t, Y_{t-k}) = Cov(Y_t, Y_{t+k}) = \gamma_k,$$

for all t.

Note: In some textbooks, this kind of stationarity is often referred to as weak stationarity.

Visually Checking Stationarity

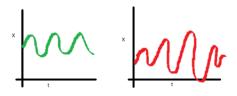
The mean of series should not be a function of time.



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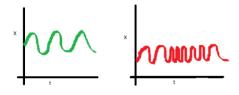
The variance of the series should not be a function of time.



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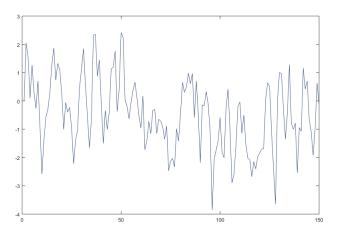
Visually Checking Stationarity

The covariance of the *i*-th term and the (i + k)-th term should not be a function of time.

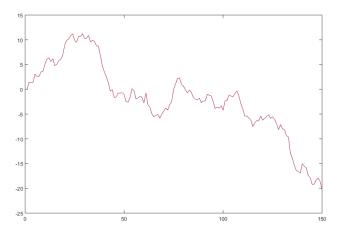


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Stationarity: Illustration

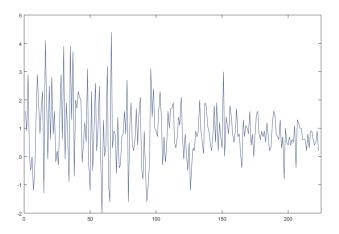


Non-stationarity: Illustration

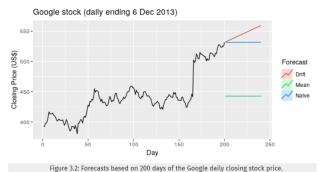


Australian seasonally adjusted quarterly GDP growth (1959-2015)

Stationary or non-stationary?



Google stock price: Stationary or non-stationary?



Autocorrelation function (ACF)

- Measure the correlation between observations Y_t and its lagged values Y_{t-k} , hence the name autocorrelation
- Give insights into statistical models that best describe the time series data
- Box and Jenkins advocate using the ACF plots to assess stationarity and identify a suitable model.

Autocorrelation function (ACF)

Definitions

ACF:

$$\rho_k = \frac{\mathbb{E}\left[(Y_t - \mu)(Y_{t+(-)k} - \mu) \right]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(Y_t)\mathbb{V}(Y_{t+(-)k})}} = \mathsf{Corr}(Y_t, Y_{t+(-)k}).$$

Sample ACF:

$$r_{k} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N-k} (y_{t+k} - \overline{y})(y_{t} - \overline{y})}{\sum_{t=1}^{N} (y_{t} - \overline{y})^{2}}.$$

What is the value of ρ_0 and r_0 ?

What we have done is to measure the correlation of Y_1 and Y_{1+k} , Y_2 and Y_{2+k} , etc.

k is called the lag value.

Sample ACF: Regression Explanation

▶ Given a time series $\{y_1, y_2, ..., y_N\}$ and a lag k, consider the following linear regression

$$y_{t+k} - \overline{y} = \gamma(y_t - \overline{y})$$
 think of it as $Y = \gamma X$

Consider data set

▶ Then according to the least square regression solution

$$\gamma = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N-k} (y_t - \overline{y})(y_{t+k} - \overline{y})}{\sum_{t=1}^{N-k} (y_t - \overline{y})^2}$$

which is close to r_k .

Sample ACF: Standard errors

- Often, we want to test whether or not $H_0: \rho_k = 0$, based on the sample ACF r_k . This is done using a t-test
- \triangleright Standard error of r_k :

$$s_{r_k} = egin{cases} rac{1}{\sqrt{N}}, & ext{if } k = 1, \ rac{\sqrt{1 + 2\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j^2}}{\sqrt{N}}, & ext{if } k > 1 \end{cases}$$

The t-statistic is defined as

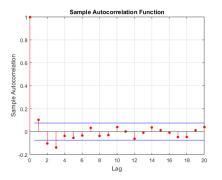
$$t_{r_k} = \frac{r_k}{s_{r_k}}$$

▶ Often, we reject the hypothesis $H_0: \rho_k = 0$ if $t_{r_k} > 2$.

(Sample) ACF Plots

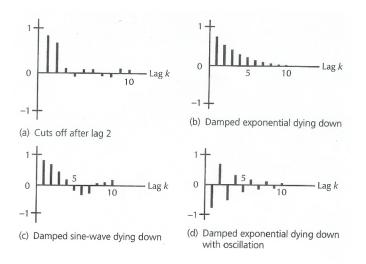
- An ACF Plot is a bar plot; the height of bar at lag k is r_k .
- We say that the plot has a spike at lag k if r_k is significantly large, i.e. its t-statistics $t_{r_k} > 2$
- ► The plot cuts off after lag *k* if there are no spikes at lags greater than *k*.
- We say the ACF plot dies down if the plot doesn't cut off, but decreases in a steady fashion.

(Sample) ACF Plots: Behaviour of ACFs



This sample ACF plot has spikes at lags 1, 2 and 3.

(Sample) ACF Plots: Behaviour of ACFs

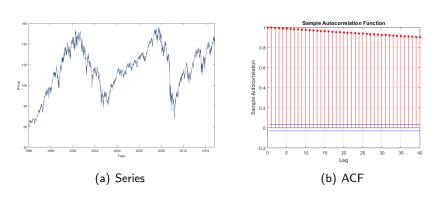


Assessing stationarity

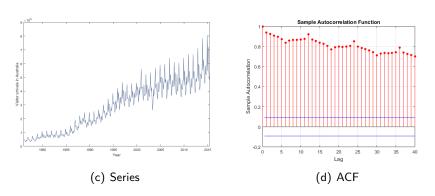
We can assess the stationarity of $\{y_t\}$ by assessing its (sample) ACF plot. In general, it can be shown that for nonseasonal time series

- If the Sample ACF of a nonseasonal time series cuts off or dies down reasonably quickly, then the time series should be considered stationary.
- ► If the Sample ACF of a nonseasonal time series dies down extremely slowly or not at all, then the time series should be considered nonstationary.

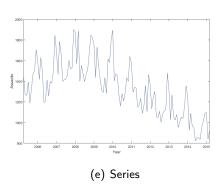
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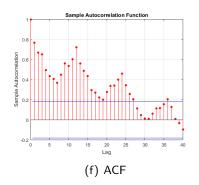


Visitor arrivals in Australia

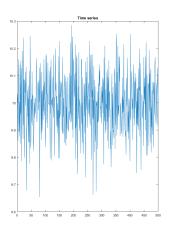


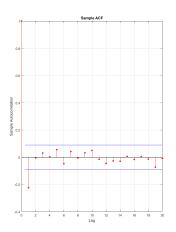
Alcohol related assaults in NSW





Stationary?





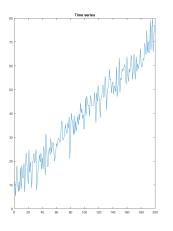
Tranforming

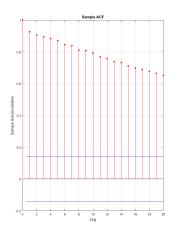
- ▶ If the ACF of a time series $\{y_1, ..., y_N\}$ dies down extremely slowly, data transformation is necessary
- Trying first order differencing is always a good way. See example Lecture07_Example01.py

$$z_t = y_{t+1} - y_t, \quad t = 1, ..., N-1$$

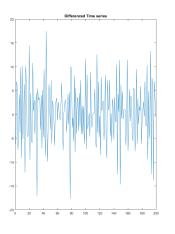
- ▶ If the ACF for the transformed data $\{z_t\}$ still dies down extremely slowly, the transformed time series should be considered nonstationary. More transformations needed
- ► For nonseasonal data, first or second differencing will generally produce stationary time series values.

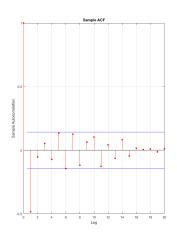
Tranforming: original time series



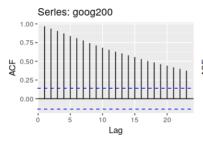


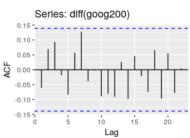
Tranforming: differenced time series





Tranforming





Partial ACF

- Partial autocorrelations measure the linear dependence of two variables after removing the effect of other variable(s) that affect both variables.
- Apart from ACF, we need Partial ACF for identifying appropriate ARIMA models.
- For example, the partial autocorrelation of 2nd order measures the effect (linear dependence) of Y_{t-2} on Y_t after removing the effect of Y_{t-1} on both Y_t and Y_{t-2}

Partial ACF

Each partial autocorrelation could be obtained as a series of regressions of the form:

$$Y_{t} = \rho_{10} + \rho_{11}Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}$$

$$Y_{t} = \rho_{20} + \rho_{21}Y_{t-1} + \rho_{22}Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t}$$

$$Y_{t} = \rho_{k0} + \rho_{k1}Y_{t-1} + \rho_{k2}Y_{t-2} + \dots + \rho_{kk}Y_{t-k} + \varepsilon_{t}$$

- Note: $\rho_{11} = \rho_1$.
- ▶ The meaning of ACF coefficient ρ_k is

$$Y_t = \rho_0 + \rho_k Y_{t-k} + \varepsilon_t$$

without considering other $Y_{t-k+1}, ..., Y_{t-1}$.

Sample Partial ACF*

ightharpoonup The Sample Partial ACF at lag k is

$$r_{kk} = \begin{cases} r_1 & \text{if } k = 1\\ \frac{r_k - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_{k-1,j} r_{k-j}}{1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_{k-1,j} r_j} & \text{if } k = 2, 3, \dots \end{cases}$$

where

$$r_{k,j} = r_{k-1,j} - r_{kk}r_{k-1,k-j}$$
 for $j = 1, 2, ..., k-1$

ightharpoonup The standard error of r_{kk} is

$$s_{r_{kk}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

First Simple Process: White noise processes

- A sequence of independently and identically distributed random variables $\{\varepsilon_t, t=1,2,...\}$ with mean 0 and finite variance σ^2 .
- ► Model

$$y_t = \varepsilon_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots$$

- $ho_k = \rho_{kk} = 0$, for all $k \ge 1$.
- ▶ Is this a stationary time series? Can you expect to capture any predictable pattern in this time series?

Outline

Stationarity, ACF and Partial ACF

Autoregressive process AR(1) process AR(p) process

AR(1) process

$$Y_t = c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t,$$

where ε_t is i.i.d. with mean zero and variance σ^2 , i.e. $\{\varepsilon_t\}$ is a white noise process.

We will next find the mean, variance and covariance. First, the mean:

$$E(Y_t) = c + \phi_1 E(Y_{t-1}),$$

Under the assumption of stationarity $E(Y_t) = E(Y_{t-1})$, so

$$E(Y_t) = \frac{c}{1 - \phi_1}.$$



AR(1) process: Properties

$$Y_t = c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t,$$

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \phi_1^2 \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1}) + \sigma^2,$$

Under the assumption of stationarity $\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})$, so

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi_1^2}.$$

AR(1) process: Properties

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t},Y_{t-1}) &= \mathsf{Cov}(c + \phi_{1}Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t},Y_{t-1}) \\ &= \mathsf{Cov}(c,Y_{t-1}) + \mathsf{Cov}(\phi_{1}Y_{t-1},Y_{t-1}) + \mathsf{Cov}(\varepsilon_{t},Y_{t-1}) \\ &= 0 + \phi_{1}\mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-1}) + 0 = \phi_{1}\mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-1}). \quad \mathsf{Why?} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_{1} &= \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t},Y_{t-1})}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(Y_{t})\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})}} \frac{\mathsf{Why?}}{\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})} \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t},Y_{t-1})}{\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})} = \phi_{1}.$$

AR(1) process: Properties

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Cov}(Y_t,Y_{t-2}) &= \mathsf{Cov}(c+\phi_1Y_{t-1}+\varepsilon_t,Y_{t-2}) \\ &= \mathsf{Cov}(\phi_1(c+\phi_1Y_{t-2}+\varepsilon_{t-1}),Y_{t-2}) \\ &= \phi_1^2\mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-2}). \end{aligned}$$
 Thus, noting that $\mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-2}) = \mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-1}) = \mathsf{Var}(Y_t),$
$$\rho_2 &= \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_t,Y_{t-2})}{\mathbb{V}(Y_t)} = \phi_1^2,$$

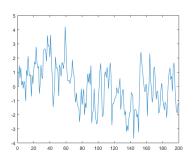
$$\vdots \quad (\mathsf{Similarly})$$

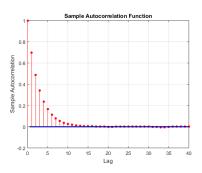
$$\rho_k &= \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_t,Y_{t-k})}{\mathbb{V}(Y_t)} = \phi_1^k.$$

AR(1) process: Properties

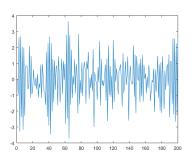
By the definition of Partial ACF, it's easy to see that: $\rho_{kk}=0$ for all k>1.

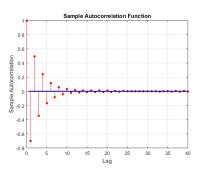
AR(1) process: $\phi = 0.7$



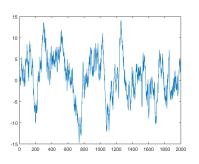


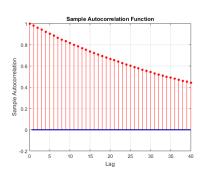
AR(1) process: $\phi = -0.7$





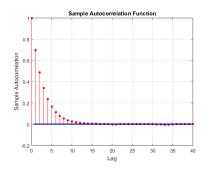
AR(1) process: $\phi = 0.98$

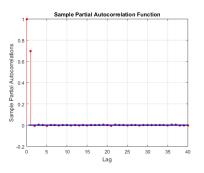




AR(1) process

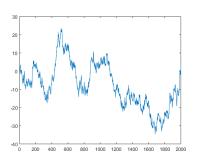
 $\phi =$ 0.7 ACF (left) and Partial ACF (right)

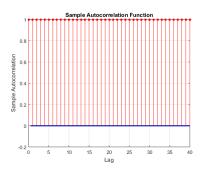




AR(1) process: $\phi = 1$

What happens when $\phi_1=1$? See Lecture07_Example02.py





AR(1) process: summary

- ▶ When $|\phi_1|$ < 1, the AR(1) process is stationary
- ► ACF: $\rho_k = \phi_1^k$, k = 0, 1, ...
- ▶ Partial ACF: $\rho_{kk} = 0$ for all k > 1.
- ▶ How to check if a time series is an AR(1)?
 - ► The sample ACF plot dies down in a steady fashion
 - The sample Partial ACF cuts off after lag 1.

AR(1) model: Forecasting

$$\widehat{y}_{t+1} = \mathbb{E}(Y_{t+1}|y_{1:t})$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(c + \phi_1 Y_t + \varepsilon_{t+1}|y_{1:t})$$

$$= c + \phi_1 y_t.$$

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_{t+1}|y_{1:t}) = \mathbb{V}(c + \phi_1 Y_t + \varepsilon_{t+1}|y_{1:t})$$

$$= \mathbb{V}(c + \phi_1 y_t + \varepsilon_{t+1}|y_t)$$

$$= \sigma^2.$$

AR(1) model: Forecasting

$$\widehat{y}_{t+2} = \mathbb{E}(Y_{t+2}|y_{1:t})
= \mathbb{E}(c + \phi_1 Y_{t+1} + \varepsilon_{t+2}|y_{1:t})
= c + \phi_1 \mathbb{E}(Y_{t+1}|y_{1:t})
= c + \phi_1(c + \phi_1 y_t)
= c(1 + \phi_1) + \phi_1^2 y_t.$$

$$V(Y_{t+2}|y_{1:t}) = V(c + \phi_1 Y_{t+1} + \varepsilon_{t+2}|y_{1:t})$$

= $\phi_1^2 V(Y_{t+1}|y_{1:t}) + \sigma^2$
= $(1 + \phi_1^2)\sigma^2$.

AR(1) model: Forecasting

$$\widehat{Y}_{t+h} = c + \phi_1 \widehat{Y}_{t+h-1} = c(1 + \phi_1 + \phi_1^2 + \dots + \phi_1^{h-1}) + \phi_1^h y_t$$

$$V(Y_{t+h}|y_{1:t}) = \phi_1^2 V(Y_{t+h-1}|y_{1:t}) + \sigma^2$$

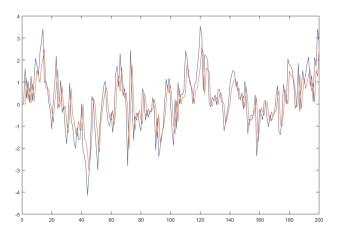
= $\sigma^2 (1 + \phi_1^2 + \dots + \phi_1^{2(h-1)}).$

What happens as h gets larger?

AR(1) process

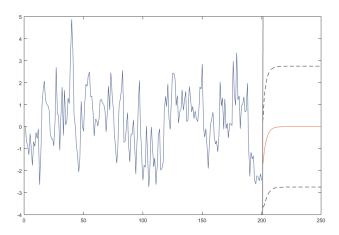
In-sample fit illustration

The red curve is $\hat{y}_{t|t-1}$, t = 1, ..., N



AR(1) process

Forecasting illustration



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Autoregressive process

AR(p) process

AR(p) processes: Properties

$$Y_t = c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \ldots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t,$$

$$E(Y_t) = c + \phi_1 E(Y_{t-1}) + \ldots + \phi_p E(Y_{t-p})$$

Suppose it is stationary, then

$$E(Y_t) = \frac{c}{1 - \phi_1 - \phi_2 - \dots - \phi_p}$$
$$= \frac{c}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i}$$

AR(p) processes: Properties

$$Y_t = c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t,$$

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \mathbb{V}(c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t)$$

Can we continue like this?

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \mathbb{V}(c) + \mathbb{V}(\phi_1 Y_{t-1}) + \ldots + \mathbb{V}(\phi_p Y_{t-p}) + \mathbb{V}(\varepsilon_t)$$

NO! because all

$$Cov(Y_{t-1}, Y_{t-2}) \neq 0$$

Under the stationary condition, it can be proved that

$$\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \rho_{11}^2)(1 - \rho_{22}^2)\dots(1 - \rho_{pp}^2)}$$



AR(2) processes: Properties

$$Cov(Y_t, Y_{t-1}) = Cov(c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t, Y_{t-1})$$

= $\phi_1 \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1}) + \phi_2 Cov(Y_{t-2}, Y_{t-1})$

Under the stationary condition we have

$$\mathsf{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-1}) = \mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-2}, Y_{t-1}) = \frac{\phi_1}{1 - \phi_2} \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1}).$$

$$\rho_1 = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-1})}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(Y_t)\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})}} = \frac{\phi_1}{1 - \phi_2}.$$

where we have used $\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-1})$.

AR(2) processes: Properties

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t},Y_{t-2}) &= \mathsf{Cov}(c + \phi_{1}Y_{t-1} + \phi_{2}Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t},Y_{t-2}) \\ &= \phi_{2}\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-2}) + \phi_{1}\mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-1},Y_{t-2}) \\ &= \left(\phi_{2} + \frac{\phi_{1}^{2}}{1 - \phi_{2}}\right)\mathsf{Var}(Y_{t-2}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_2 = \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-2})}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(Y_t)\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-2})}} = \phi_2 + \frac{\phi_1^2}{1 - \phi_2}.$$

where we have used $\mathbb{V}(Y_t) = \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-2})$.

AR(2) processes: Properties

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-3}) &= \mathsf{Cov}(c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t, Y_{t-3}) \\ &= \phi_1 \mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-1}, Y_{t-3}) + \phi_2 \mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-2}, Y_{t-3}) \\ &= \phi_1 \rho_2 \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-3}) + \phi_2 \rho_1 \mathbb{V}(Y_{t-3}). \end{aligned}$$

where we have used $\rho_2 = \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-1},Y_{t-3})}{\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-3})}$ and $\rho_1 = \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(Y_{t-2},Y_{t-3})}{\mathbb{V}(Y_{t-3})}$.

$$\rho_3 = \phi_1 \rho_2 + \phi_2 \rho_1$$

$$\rho_k = \phi_1 \rho_{k-1} + \phi_2 \rho_{k-2}, \quad k > 2$$

AR(p) processes: Properties

$$Y_t = c + \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \ldots + \phi_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t,$$

where ε_t is i.i.d. with mean zero and variance σ^2 . It can be shown that

- ▶ ACF ρ_k dies down exponentially.
- ▶ PACF ρ_{kk} cuts off to zero after lag p.

These properties are useful to recognize an AR(p) process.

AR(p) processes: Forecasting

$$\widehat{y}_{t+h} = E(Y_{t+h}|y_{1:t}) = c + \phi_1 E(Y_{t+h-1}|y_{1:t}) + \ldots + \phi_p E(Y_{t+h-p}|y_{1:t}),$$

where

$$E(Y_{t+h-i}|y_{1:t}) = \begin{cases} \widehat{y}_{t+h-i} & \text{if } h > i\\ y_{t+h-i} & \text{if } h \leq i. \end{cases}$$

For example, consider AR(3),

$$Y_{t+1} = c + \phi_1 Y_t + \phi_2 Y_{t-1} + \phi_3 Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t+1}$$

then

$$\widehat{y}_{t+1} = c + \phi_1 y_t + \phi_2 y_{t-1} + \phi_3 y_{t-2}$$

$$\widehat{y}_{t+2} = c + \phi_1 \widehat{y}_{t+1} + \phi_2 y_t + \phi_3 y_{t-1}$$

$$\widehat{y}_{t+3} = c + \phi_1 \widehat{y}_{t+2} + \phi_2 \widehat{y}_{t+1} + \phi_3 y_t$$

AR(p) processes: Forecasting

Hence

$$\widehat{y}_{t+1} = c + \phi_1 y_t + \phi_2 y_{t-1} + \phi_3 y_{t-2}
\widehat{y}_{t+2} = c + \phi_1 \widehat{y}_{t+1} + \phi_2 y_t + \phi_3 y_{t-1}
= c + \phi_1 (c + \phi_1 y_t + \phi_2 y_{t-1} + \phi_3 y_{t-2}) + \phi_2 y_t + \phi_3 y_{t-1}
= c(1 + \phi_1) + (\phi_1^2 + \phi_2) y_t + (\phi_1 \phi_2 + \phi_3) y_{t-1} + \phi_1 \phi_3 y_{t-2}
\widehat{y}_{t+3} = c + \phi_1 \widehat{y}_{t+2} + \phi_2 \widehat{y}_{t+1} + \phi_3 y_t
= \cdots$$

Finally what about the variance?

Recap

We have looked at

- Stationarity, ACF and Partial ACF
- Autoregressive processes: some properties and how to perform forecasting

Next lecture: Moving Average processes and ARIMA

Thank you and good luck with your midterm exam!