

Time Series

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Forecasting Stationary Time Series I

- We consider the problem of predicting the values X_{n+h} , $h > 0$, of a stationary time series with known mean μ and known autocovariance function $\gamma(\cdot)$ in terms of the values $\{X_n, \dots, X_1\}$, up to time n .
 - Forecasting as **AR** model
- Our goal is to find the linear combination of $1, X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_1$, ($\hat{X}_{n+h} = a_0 + a_1 X_n + \dots + a_n X_1 = X_{n+h}^n$) that forecasts X_{n+h} with minimum mean squared error, i.e.

$$E(X_{n+h} - a_0 - a_1 X_n - \dots - a_n X_1)^2$$

is minimized.

Forecasting Stationary Time Series II

- Minimization yields
 - Normal Equations

$$E \left[X_{n+h} - a_0 - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_{n+1-i} \right] = 0$$

and

$$E \left[\left(X_{n+h} - a_0 - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_{n+1-i} \right) X_{n+1-j} \right] = 0, \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, n$$

Forecasting Stationary Time Series III

- Solutions

$$a_0 = \mu \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)$$

and

$$\mathbf{a}_n = [a_1, \dots, a_n]'$$

as the solution of the equation

$$\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \gamma_n(h),$$

where

- $\gamma_n(h) = [\gamma(h), \gamma(h+1), \dots, \gamma(h+n-1)]'$ and
- $\Gamma_n = [\gamma(i-j)]_{i,j=1}^n$

Forecasting Stationary Time Series IV

- Best Linear Unbiased Estimator

$$X_{n+h}^n = \mu + \mathbf{a}_n' (\mathbf{X}_n - \mu \mathbf{1}_n),$$

where $\mathbf{X}_n = [X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_1]'$ and $\mathbf{1}_n = \underbrace{[1, \dots, 1]'}_{n\text{-times}}$

- Expected value of the prediction error (i.e., first normal equation)

$$E[X_{n+h} - X_{n+h}^n] = 0$$

- Mean square prediction error

$$\begin{aligned} E (X_{n+h} - X_{n+h}^n)^2 &= E [(X_{n+h} - \mu) - \mathbf{a}_n' (\mathbf{X}_n - \mu \mathbf{1}_n)]^2 \\ &= \gamma(0) - 2\mathbf{a}_n' \gamma_n(h) + \mathbf{a}_n' \Gamma_n(h) \mathbf{a}_n \\ &= \gamma(0) - \mathbf{a}_n' \gamma_n(h) \\ &= \gamma(0) - \gamma_n'(h) \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n(h) \end{aligned}$$

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- Example: One-step prediction of an AR(1) series

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + Z_t, t = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

where $|\phi| < 1$ and $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$.

- Solution:

$$a_0 = 0$$

and

$$X_{n+1}^n = \mathbf{a}_n' \mathbf{X}_n,$$

where $\mathbf{X}_n = [X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_1]'$ and $\mathbf{a}_n = [\phi, 0, \dots, 0]'$ is the solution of

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi & \phi^2 & \dots & \phi^{n-1} \\ \phi & 1 & \phi & \dots & \phi^{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \phi^{n-1} & \phi^{n-2} & \phi^{n-3} & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^2 \\ \vdots \\ \phi^n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \gamma_n(1)$

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- Therefore the best linear predictor of X_{n+1} in terms of $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is

$$X_{n+1}^n = \mathbf{a}_n' \mathbf{X}_n = \phi X_n$$

- The mean square error is

$$\begin{aligned} E (X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n)^2 &= \gamma(0) - \mathbf{a}_n' \boldsymbol{\gamma}_n(1) \\ &= \gamma(0) [1 - \phi \rho(1)] \\ &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

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- Remark: For stationary time series $\{Y_t\}$ with non-zero mean μ , the best linear predictor of Y_{n+h} can be determined by the following steps
 - Subtract μ from the series Y_t to get the zero-mean series X_t
[$X_t = Y_t - \mu$,]
 - Finding the best linear predictor of X_{n+h} in terms of X_n, \dots, X_1 and
 - Then adding μ to it.
- We, therefore, restrict attention to zero-mean stationary time series.

Recursive Forecasting I

- h -step forecasting

$$X_{n+h}^n = \mathbf{a}_n' \mathbf{X}_n$$

- Potential problem: Determination of \mathbf{a}_n from the set of linear equation $\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \gamma_n(h)$, may be difficult and time-consuming.
- Remedy: Go for recursive algorithm
 - We start with finding one-step predictor X_{n+1}^n based on n observations
 - then find the two-step predictor X_{n+2}^{n+1} , based on $n+1$ previous observations (n observed and 1 predicted observation among them)
 - and continue till the h -step predictor X_{n+h}^{n+h-1} ,

Recursive Forecasting II

- One step Predicting equation

$$X_{n+1}^n = \phi_{\mathbf{n}}' \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{n}} = \phi_{n1} X_n + \cdots + \phi_{nn} X_1,$$

where $\phi_{\mathbf{n}} = [\phi_{n1}, \dots, \phi_{nn}]' = \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_{\mathbf{n}}$ and $\gamma_{\mathbf{n}} = [\gamma(1), \gamma(2), \dots, \gamma(n)]'$ with the corresponding MSE

$$v_n := E(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n)^2 = \gamma(0) - \phi_{\mathbf{n}}' \gamma_{\mathbf{n}}$$

- Again Determination of $\phi_{\mathbf{n}}$ involves matrix inversion.
- Therefore, we go for recursive solution for one step prediction

Durbin-Levinson algorithm I

- One step Recursive Forecast (Durbin-Levinson algorithm)
 - Set a one step predicting equation based on single (current) observation

$$X_{n+1}^{n,n} = \phi_{11} X_n$$

- Compute ϕ_{11} and v_0 as follows

$$\phi_{11} = \frac{\gamma(1)}{\gamma(0)}$$

and

$$v_0 = \gamma(0).$$

Durbin-Levinson algorithm II

- Recursively, set one step predicting equations based on (current) n observation

$$X_{n+1}^n = X_{n+1}^{1,n} = \phi_{n1}X_n + \cdots + \phi_{nn}X_1,$$

and

- Compute the coefficients $\phi_{n1}, \dots, \phi_{nn}$ recursively from the following equations

$$\phi_{nn} = \left[\gamma(n) - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \phi_{n-1,j} \gamma(n-j) \right] v_{n-1}^{-1},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_{n1} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n,n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{n-1,1} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-1,n-1} \end{bmatrix} - \phi_{nn} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{n-1,n-1} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n-1,1} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$v_n = v_{n-1} [1 - \phi_{nn}^2]$$

Durbin-Levinson algorithm III

- Alternative compact form

$$\phi_{nn} = \left[\gamma(n) - \phi_{\mathbf{n}-1}^{(r)'} \gamma_{\mathbf{n}-1} \right] v_{n-1}^{-1}, \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_{n1} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{n,n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \phi_{\mathbf{n}-1} - \phi_{nn} \phi_{\mathbf{n}-1}^{(r)}, \quad (2)$$

$$v_n = v_{n-1} [1 - \phi_{nn}^2] \quad (3)$$

where $\phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(r)} = [\phi_{k,k}, \phi_{k,k-1}, \dots, \phi_{k1}]'$

Durbin-Levinson algorithm IV

- Proof

- $\Gamma_1 \phi_1 = \gamma_1$ follows from $\gamma(0)\phi_1 = \gamma(1)$
- Let $\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n$ be true for $n = k$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{k+1} \phi_{k+1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_k & \gamma_k^{(r)} \\ \gamma_k^{(r)'} & \gamma(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \phi_k^{(r)} \\ \phi_{k+1,k+1} \end{bmatrix} \\&= \begin{bmatrix} \Gamma_k \phi_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \Gamma_k \phi_k^{(r)} + \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma_k^{(r)} \\ \gamma_k^{(r)'} \phi_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma_k^{(r)'} \phi_k^{(r)} + \gamma(0) \phi_{k+1,k+1} \end{bmatrix} \\&= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma_k^{(r)} + \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma_k^{(r)} \\ \gamma_k^{(r)'} \phi_k + \phi_{k+1,k+1} (\gamma(0) - \gamma_k^{(r)'} \phi_k^{(r)}) \end{bmatrix} \\&= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_k \\ \gamma_k^{(r)'} \phi_k + \phi_{k+1,k+1} v_k \end{bmatrix} \\&= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_k \\ \gamma(k+1) \end{bmatrix}, [\text{by (1)}] \\&= \gamma_{k+1}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, true for all n .

Durbin-Levinson algorithm V

- The mean squared errors:

Let $v_n = v_{n-1}[1 - \phi_{nn}^2]$ be true for $n = k$, then

$$\begin{aligned}v_{k+1} : &= \gamma(0) - \phi_{\mathbf{k}+1}' \gamma_{\mathbf{k}+1} \\&= \gamma(0) - [\phi_{k+1,1}, \dots, \phi_{k+1,k}] \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma(k+1) \\&= \gamma(0) - \left(\phi_{\mathbf{k}}' - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(r)'} \right) \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \gamma(k+1), [\text{by (2)}] \\&= v_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} \left(\gamma(k+1) - \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(r)'} \gamma_{\mathbf{k}} \right), [\text{by assumption}] \\&= v_k - \phi_{k+1,k+1} (\phi_{k+1,k+1} v_k), [\text{by (1)}] \\&= v_k \left(1 - \phi_{k+1,k+1}^2 \right)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, true for all n .

- Here, we consider the problem of predicting the values X_{n+h} , $h > 0$, of a stationary time series with known mean and autocovariance function in terms of the values of successive differences in prediction $\{X_n - X_n^{n-1}\}$, up to time n .
 - Forecasting as **MA** model

- One step Recursive Forecast (The Innovations Algorithm)
 - Set the predicting equation of time series at time $n + 1$ depending on the previous n observations as follows

$$X_{n+1}^n = \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - X_{n+1-j}^{n-j}) \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (4)$$

with $X_1^0 = 0$

Innovations algorithm III

- Compute the coefficients $\theta_{n1}, \dots, \theta_{nn}$ recursively from the following equations

$$v_0 = \gamma(0),$$

$$\theta_{n,n-k} = v_k^{-1} \left(\gamma(n-k) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \theta_{k,k-j} \theta_{n,n-j} v_j \right), \text{ for } 0 \leq k < n$$

and

$$v_n = \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta_{n,n-j}^2 v_j$$

- Remarks:
 - The one step prediction error, $U_n = X_n - X_n^{n-1}$ is named as innovation at time n
 - Innovations U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n are uncorrelated.

Innovations algorithm IV

- Proof

- Innovations $X_1 - X_1^0, X_2 - X_2^1, \dots, X_n - X_n^{n-1}$ are orthogonal by definition.
- Taking the inner product on both sides of (4) with $X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k$, $0 \leq k < n$ we have

$$\langle X_{n+1}^n, X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k \rangle = \theta_{n,n-k} \nu_k$$

- Since $(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n) \perp (X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k)$, for $k = 0, \dots, n-1$, thus

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_{n+1}, X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k \rangle &= \langle X_{n+1}^n, X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k \rangle \\ &= \theta_{n,n-k} \nu_k. \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Innovations algorithm V

- Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_{n,n-k} &= \nu_k^{-1} \langle X_{n+1}, X_{k+1} - X_{k+1}^k \rangle \\&= \nu_k^{-1} \left(\gamma(n-k) - \sum_{j=1}^k \theta_{k,j} \langle X_{n+1}, X_{k+1-j} - X_{k+1-j}^{k-j} \rangle \right), \\&\quad \text{by replacing } n \text{ by } k \text{ in (4)} \\&= \nu_k^{-1} \left(\gamma(n-k) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \theta_{k,j+1} \langle X_{n+1}, X_{k-j} - X_{k-j}^{k-j-1} \rangle \right), \\&= \nu_k^{-1} \left(\gamma(n-k) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \theta_{k,k-j} \langle X_{n+1}, X_{j+1} - X_{j+1}^j \rangle \right), \\&\quad \text{by replacing } (k-j) \text{ by } (j+1) \\&= \nu_k^{-1} \left(\gamma(n-k) - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \theta_{k,k-j} \theta_{n,n-j} \nu_j \right), \text{ by (5).}\end{aligned}$$

- The mean squared errors:

$$\begin{aligned}v_n &= ||X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n||^2 \\&= ||X_{n+1}||^2 - ||X_{n+1}^n||^2 \\&= \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_{nj}^2 \nu_{n-j}, \text{ [by (4)]} \\&= \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta_{n,j+1}^2 \nu_{n-j-1} \\&= \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \theta_{n,n-j}^2 \nu_j, \text{ by replacing } (n-j-1) \text{ by } j.\end{aligned}$$

- h – step Recursive Forecast

- The predicting equation of time series at time $n + h$ depending on the n observations is as follows

$$X_{n+h}^n = \sum_{j=h}^{n+h-1} \theta_{n+h-1,j} \left(X_{n+h-j} - X_{n+h-j}^{n+h-1-j} \right)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, with $X_1^0 = 0$

- Corresponding mean squared error

$$E(X_{n+h} - X_{n+h}^n)^2 = \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=h}^{n+h-1} \theta_{n+h-1,j}^2 v_{n+h-1-j}$$

Innovations algorithm for Forecasting ARMA I

- Innovations algorithm can also help to forecast an ARMA(p, q) process.
- It works in two phases, here

1 First:

- Transform an causal ARMA process X_t , where

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t, \quad Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$

to a MA process as

$$W_t = \begin{cases} \sigma^{-1} X_t, & t = 1, \dots, m \\ \sigma^{-1} \phi(B)X_t = \sigma^{-1} [X_t - \phi_{t-1}X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_{t-p}X_{t-p}], & t > m \end{cases}$$

where $m = \max(p, q)$

Innovations algorithm for Forecasting ARMA II

- Then apply the innovations algorithm to the process $\{W_t\}$ to obtain

$$W_{n+1}^n = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_{nj} (W_{n+1-j} - W_{n+1-j}^{n-j}), & n = 1, \dots, m-1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^q \theta_{nj} (W_{n+1-j} - W_{n+1-j}^{n-j}), & n \geq m \end{cases},$$

where the coefficients θ_{nj} and the mean squared errors $r_n = E(W_{n+1} - W_{n+1}^n)^2$ are found recursively from the innovations algorithm with γ_W defined as follows

$$\gamma_W(i-j) = \begin{cases} \sigma^{-1} \gamma_X(i-j), & 1 \leq i, j \leq m \\ \sum_{r=0}^q \theta_r \theta_{r+|i-j|}, & m < \min(i, j) \\ \sigma^{-1} \left[\gamma_X(i-j) - \sum_{r=1}^p \phi_r \gamma_X(r - |i-j|) \right], & \min(i, j) \leq m < \max(i, j) \leq 2m \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Innovations algorithm for Forecasting ARMA III

2 Second:

- Note that, by definition each $X_n, n \geq 1$, to be written as a linear combination of $W_j, 1 \leq j \leq n$, and vice-versa.
- Therefore, the best linear predictor of any random variable Y in terms of $\{1, X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is the same as the best linear predictor of Y in terms of $\{1, W_1, \dots, W_n\}$.
- Thus,

$$W_t^{t-1} = \begin{cases} \sigma^{-1} X_t^{t-1}, & t = 1, \dots, m \\ \sigma^{-1} [X_t^{t-1} - \phi_1 X_{t-1}^{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p}^{t-1}], & t > m \end{cases},$$

- Also,

$$\sigma^{-1} (X_t - X_t^{t-1}) = (W_t - W_t^{t-1}), \text{ for } t \geq 1$$

Innovations algorithm for Forecasting ARMA IV

- Therefore, X_{n+1} can be predicted by

$$X_{n+1}^n = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - X_{n+1-j}^{n-j}), & 1 \leq n < m \\ \phi_1 X_n + \dots + \phi_p X_{n+1-p} + \sum_{j=1}^q \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - X_{n+1-j}^{n-j}), & n \geq m \end{cases}$$

with MSE:

$$E (X_t - X_t^{t-1})^2 = \sigma^2 E (W_t - W_t^{t-1})^2 = \sigma^2 r_n$$

- Note that:
 - ϕ_i s are known
 - while θ_{nj} s and r_n s are calculated by Innovation algorithm!
 - The one-step predictors $X_2^1, X_3^2, \dots, X_{n+1}^n$ are calculated recursively.