Suppose X_t is stationary with 0 mean, define

$$\epsilon_t := X_t - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i}$$

$$\delta_{t-h} := X_{t-h} - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_j X_{t-j}$$

where $\boldsymbol{a}=(a_{h-1},a_{h-2},\cdots,a_1)^{\top}$ and $\boldsymbol{b}=(b_{h-1},b_{h-2},\cdots,b_1)^{\top}$ are chosen such that $E[\epsilon_t^2]$ and $E[\delta_{t-h}^2]$ are minimized.

Note that

$$E[\epsilon_t^2] = E[(X_t - \hat{X}_t)^2]$$

$$E[\delta_{t-h}^2] = E[(X_{t-h} - \hat{X}_{t-h})^2]$$

So by definition,

$$\phi_{hh} = corr(\epsilon_t, \delta_{t-h}) = \frac{E[\epsilon_t \delta_{t-h}]}{\sqrt{E[\epsilon_t^2]E[\delta_{t-h}^2]}}$$

Consider the BLP of X_t given $\{X_{t-1}, X_{t-2}, \dots, X_{t-h}\}$

$$X_t^h = \alpha_{h1} X_{t-1} + \alpha_{h2} X_{t-2} + \dots + \alpha_{hh} X_{t-h}$$

By Property I (to be proved later),

$$\alpha_{hh} = \frac{\rho(h) - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}}{1 - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}}$$

where $\varrho_{h-1} = (\rho(i-j))_{1 \leq i,j \leq h-1}$, $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} = (\rho(h-1), \cdots, \rho(1))^{\top}$, $\boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1} = (\rho(1), \cdots, \rho(h-1))^{\top}$. Therefore, we would like to show that

$$\phi_{hh} = \frac{E[\epsilon_t \delta_{t-h}]}{\sqrt{E[\epsilon_t^2] E[\delta_{t-h}^2]}} = \frac{\rho(h) - \tilde{\rho}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \rho_{h-1}}{1 - \tilde{\rho}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \tilde{\rho}_{h-1}}$$

 $\diamond E[\epsilon_t \delta_{t-h}]$

$$E[\epsilon_{t}\delta_{t-h}] = Cov(\epsilon_{t}, \delta_{t-h})$$

$$= Cov(\epsilon_{t}, X_{t-h} - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_{j}X_{t-j})$$

$$= Cov(\epsilon_{t}, X_{t-h})$$

$$= E[(X_{t} - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_{i}X_{t-i})X_{t-h}]$$

$$= E[X_{t}X_{t-h}] - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_{i}E[X_{t-i}X_{t-h}]$$

$$= \gamma(h) - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_{i}\gamma(h-i)$$

$$= \gamma(0) \cdot (\rho(h) - \mathbf{a}^{\top} \rho_{h-1})$$

 $\diamond E[\epsilon_t^2]$

$$E[\epsilon_t^2] = Cov(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_t)$$

$$= Cov(\epsilon_t, X_t - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i})$$

$$= Cov(\epsilon_t, X_t)$$

$$= E[\epsilon_t X_t]$$

$$= E[(X_t - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i}) X_t]$$

$$= \gamma(0) - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i \gamma(i)$$

$$= \gamma(0) \cdot (1 - \boldsymbol{a}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1})$$

 $\diamond E[\delta_{t-h}^2]$

$$\begin{split} E[\delta_{t-h}^2] &= Cov(\delta_{t-h}, \delta_{t-h}) \\ &= Cov(\delta_{t-h}, X_{t-h} - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_j X_{t-j}) \\ &= Cov(\delta_{t-h}, X_{t-h}) \\ &= E[\delta_{t-h} X_{t-h}] \\ &= E[(X_{t-h} - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_j X_{t-j}) X_{t-h}] \\ &= \gamma(0) - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_j \gamma(h-j) \\ &= \gamma(0) \cdot (1 - \mathbf{b}^{\top} \mathbf{\rho}_{h-1}) \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$\phi_{hh} = \frac{E[\epsilon_t \delta_{t-h}]}{\sqrt{E[\epsilon_t^2] E[\delta_{t-h}^2]}} = \frac{\rho(h) - \boldsymbol{a}^\top \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}}{\sqrt{(1 - \boldsymbol{a}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1})(1 - \boldsymbol{b}^\top \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1})}}$$
(1)

Now, what are \boldsymbol{a} and \boldsymbol{b} ?

$$E[\epsilon_t^2] = E[(X_t - \sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i})^2]$$

$$= E[X_t^2] - 2\sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i E[X_t X_{t-i}] + E[(\sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i})^2]$$

Note that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i} = oldsymbol{a}^ op \cdot egin{pmatrix} X_{t-(h-1)} \ X_{t-(h-2)} \ dots \ X_{t-1} \end{pmatrix} := oldsymbol{a}^ op ilde{oldsymbol{X}}_{h-1}$$

So

$$(\sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i})^2 = \boldsymbol{a}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1}^\top \boldsymbol{a}$$

Hence,

$$E[(\sum_{i=1}^{h-1} a_i X_{t-i})^2] = \boldsymbol{a}^{\top} E[\tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1}^{\top}] \boldsymbol{a}$$

Now,

$$E[\tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1}\tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}_{h-1}^{\top}] = E\begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_{t-h+1} \\ X_{t-h+2} \\ \vdots \\ X_{t-1} \end{pmatrix} (X_{t-h+1}, X_{t-h+2}, \cdots, X_{t-1}) \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(-1) & \cdots & \gamma(2-h) \\ \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \cdots & \gamma(3-h) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma(h-2) & \gamma(h-3) & \cdots & \gamma(0) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \gamma(0) \cdot \varrho_{h-1}$$

So

$$E[\epsilon_t^2] = \gamma(0) \cdot (1 - 2\boldsymbol{a}^{\top} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} + \boldsymbol{a}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1} \boldsymbol{a})$$
$$-2\tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} + 2\varrho_{h-1} \boldsymbol{a} = \boldsymbol{0}$$
$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{a} = \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}$$

Similarly,

Set $\nabla a = 0$,

$$E[\delta_{t-h}^{2}] = E[(X_{t-h} - \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_{j} X_{t-j})^{2}]$$

$$= E[X_{t-h}^{2}] - 2 \sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_{j} E[X_{t-h} X_{t-j}] + E[(\sum_{j=1}^{h-1} b_{j} X_{t-j})^{2}]$$

$$= \gamma(0) \cdot (1 - 2\boldsymbol{b}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1} + \boldsymbol{b}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1} \boldsymbol{b})$$

Set $\nabla b = 0$,

$$-2\boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1} + 2\varrho_{h-1}\boldsymbol{b} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{b} = \varrho_{h-1}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}$$

Plug \boldsymbol{a} and \boldsymbol{b} into (1),

$$\phi_{hh} = \frac{\rho(h) - \boldsymbol{a}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}}{\sqrt{(1 - \boldsymbol{a}^{\top} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1})(1 - \boldsymbol{b}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1})}} = \frac{\rho(h) - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}}{1 - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}}$$

Now we prove Property I.

We have our prediction equations

$$\sum_{j=1}^{h} \alpha_{hj} \gamma(k-j) = \gamma(k), \ k = 1, \dots, h$$

Devide each side by $\gamma(0)$,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{h} \alpha_{hj} \rho(k-j) = \rho(k), \ k = 1, \cdots, h$$

Write into a matrix form,

$$\varrho_h \boldsymbol{\alpha}_h = \boldsymbol{\rho}_h$$

where

$$\varrho_{h} = \begin{pmatrix}
\rho(0) & \rho(-1) & \cdots & \rho(1-h) \\
\rho(1) & \rho(0) & \cdots & \rho(2-h) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\rho(h-1) & \rho(h-2) & \cdots & \rho(0)
\end{pmatrix}
\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{h} = \begin{pmatrix}
\alpha_{h1} \\
\alpha_{h2} \\
\vdots \\
\alpha_{hh}
\end{pmatrix}
\boldsymbol{\rho}_{h} = \begin{pmatrix}
\rho(1) \\
\rho(2) \\
\vdots \\
\rho(h)
\end{pmatrix}$$

Define $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 = (a_{h1}, a_{h2}, \cdots, a_{h,h-1})^{\top}$, and denote

$$\varrho_{h} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho(0) & \cdots & \rho(2-h) & \rho(1-h) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \rho(h-2) & \cdots & \rho(0) & \rho(1) \\ \rho(h-1) & \cdots & \rho(1) & \rho(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{h-1} & \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So

$$\varrho_h \boldsymbol{\alpha}_h = \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{h-1} & \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^\top & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \\ \alpha_{hh} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1} \\ \rho(h) \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 + \alpha_{hh} = \rho(h) \\ \varrho_{h-1} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 + \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1} \alpha_{hh} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1} \end{cases}$$

And we finally obtain

$$\alpha_{hh} = \frac{\rho(h) - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\intercal} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{h-1}}{1 - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}^{\intercal} \varrho_{h-1}^{-1} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_{h-1}}$$