

Summable filter and symbolic operators

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Summable filters

1. INTRODUCTION

We have seen that even a simple model like the $\text{AR}(p)$ has a solution expressed as an infinite $\text{MA}(\infty)$, and that is an infinite expansion.

Likewise an invertible $\text{MA}(1)$ process has an infinite expansion as an $\text{AR}(\infty)$. In these slides you will learn to manipulate with such expansions.

Table 1: Model and representation

model	expansion	
$AR(p)$	$MA(\infty)$	
$MA(q)$	$AR(\infty)$	
$ARMA(p, q)$	$MA(\infty)$	

Symbolic shift operator

2. FILTER

2.1. BACKWARD SHIFT OPERATOR

DEFINITION 1. Let $\{X_t\}$ be a stationary time series. Then the symbolic shift operator is denoted by $\ll B \gg$ and $BX_t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} X_{t-1}$.

REMARK 1. We also use $B^j X_t = X_{t-j}$ and $B^{-j} X_t = X_{t+j}$.

Summable filters

DEFINITION 2. A general ℓ^2 -filter $\{\psi_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ satisfies $\sum_j \psi_j^2 < \infty$. It is summable if $\sum_j |\psi_j| < \infty$. Here a filter is summable if not specified to be something else.

REMARK 2. A summable filter is a ℓ^1 -filter.

DEFINITION 3. Let $\{Y_t\}$ be a stationary time series and ψ a filter. and let ω be an outcome. Let $y_s = Y_s(\omega)$ for $s \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$X_t = \psi(B)Y_t$$

is defined by $X_t(\omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_j \psi_j Y_{t-j}(\omega) = \sum_j \psi_j y_{t-j} = (\mathbf{y} * \psi)(t)$.

DEFINITION 4. Let ψ be a summable filter. Its generating function is $\phi(z) = \sum_j z^j \psi_j$ where z is complex variable.

REMARK 3. The generating filter function $\psi(z)$ is at least well defined on the unit circle.

Convolution

2.2. CONVOLUTION

REMARK 4. The filter operation; going from $\{Y_t\}$ to $\{X_t\}$, is a convolution; $X = \psi * Y$.

REMARK 5. The outcome ω could be $\{y_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.

Conserving stationarity

PROPOSITION 1. Let $\{Y_t\}$ be a stationary time series and ψ a filter. Then $X_t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \psi(B)Y_t$ is a well defined and stationary time series with ACVF;

$$(1) \quad \gamma_X(h) = \sum_u \left(\sum_j \psi_{j+h-u} \psi_j \right) \gamma_Y(u).$$

Convolution notation

REMARK 6. We see that (1) is close to a double convolution. Let ψ' be defined as $\psi'_j = \psi_{-j}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j \psi_{j+h-u} \psi_j &= \sum_j \psi_{h-u+j} \psi'_{-j} \\ &= \sum_j \psi_{h-u-j} \psi'_j \\ &= \psi * \psi'(h-u). \end{aligned}$$

We insert this formula in (1),

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad \gamma_X(h) &= \sum_u (\psi * \psi')(h-u) \gamma_Y(u) = (\psi * \psi') * \gamma_Y(h) \\ &= \psi * \psi' * \gamma_Y(h). \end{aligned}$$

Proof

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 1.

We use that $S_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{|j| \leq n} \psi_j Y_{t-j}$ converges pointwise to X_t and $|S_n| \leq U$, where

$$U \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_j |\psi_j| |Y_{t-j}|.$$

Then

$$\mathbb{E} U = \sum_j |\psi_j| \mathbb{E} |Y_{t-j}| \leq \mathbb{E}^{1/2} Y_t^2 \sum_j |\psi_j| < \infty.$$

This means that the infinite sum converges absolutely with probability one. Hence $\{X_t\}$ is well defined.

Stationarity

The variable U dominates $|X_t| \leq U$ and U has finite expectation. Therefore

$$\mathbb{E} X_t = \sum_j \psi_j \mathbb{E} Y_{t-j} = \mu_Y \sum_j \psi_j \quad \text{independent of } t.$$

What about the variance? Our dominating variable has finite variance since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} U_t^2 &= \sum_j \sum_k |\psi_j| |\psi_k| \mathbb{E} |Y_{t-j}| |Y_{t-k}| \\ &\leq \sum_j \sum_k |\psi_j| |\psi_k| \mathbb{E} Y_t^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E} Y_t^2 \left(\sum_j |\psi_j| \right)^2 \\ &< \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Variance and covariance

We are use again that $S_n(t) = \sum_{|j| \leq n} \psi_j Y_{t-j}$ converges pointwise to X_t and

$$|S_n(t+h)S_n(t)| \leq U(t+h)U(t) \leq 2U_{t+h}^2 + 2U_t^2$$

where the two terms on the right hand side have finite expectation. This means that we have justified that covariance of X_{t+h} and X_t can be computed by exchanging covariance (integration) with summation.

DCT

By the dominating convergence theorem,

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_j \sum_k \psi_j \psi_k \text{Cov}(Y_{t+h-j}, Y_{t-k})$$

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_j \sum_k \psi_j \psi_k \gamma_Y(h - j + k)$$

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_j \sum_k \psi_j \psi_k \gamma_Y(h - j + k)$$

substitute with
 $u = h - j + k \Rightarrow$
 $j = h - u + k$

$$= \sum_u \sum_k \psi_{k+h-u} \psi_k \gamma_Y(u).$$

□

Convolution of white noise

COROLLARY 1. Let $X_t = \psi(B)Z_t$ with $\{Z_t\} \sim \text{WN}(0, \sigma^2)$. Then

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sigma^2 \sum_j \psi_{j+h} \psi_j.$$

PROOF.

In this case $\gamma_Y(u) = \sigma^2 \delta_{0,u}$.

□

Note that $\gamma_X = \sigma^2 \psi * \psi'$.

Example

2.3. AR(1)

EXAMPLE 1. In a causal AR(1) process $\psi_j = \phi^j$ for $j \geq 0$ and zero otherwise. Let $h \geq 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma_X(h) &= \sigma^2 \sum_j \psi_{j+h} \psi_j \\
 &= \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j+h} \psi_j \\
 &= \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{h+j+j} \\
 &= \sigma^2 \phi^h \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{2j} \\
 &= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \phi^h.
 \end{aligned}$$

Filters commute

2.4. FILTER CALCULUS

PROPOSITION 2. Let $\{Y_t\}$ be a stationary time series and let α, β be filters. Define $U_t = \beta(B)Y_t$ and $X_t = \alpha(B)U_t$. Then

$$X_t = \psi(B)Y_t$$

where $\psi(z) = \alpha(z)\beta(z)$.

REMARK 7. This is a calculus rule. Since $\psi(z) = \beta(z)\alpha(z)$, this means that the filter operations commute.

Proof

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 2.

The proof shows that an oop

Let

$$U \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_j |\alpha_j| \sum_k |\beta_k| |Y_{t-j-k}|$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} U &\leq \mathbb{E} |Y_t| \sum_j |\alpha_j| \sum_k |\beta_k| \\ &= \mathbb{E} |Y_t| \left[\sum_j |\alpha_j| \right] \left[\sum_k |\beta_k| \right] < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we absolutely convergence with probability one.

Unbounded sequence

Let ω be an outcome outside the exceptional set and let $y_s = Y_s(\omega)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_j |\alpha_j| \sum_k |\beta_k| |y_{t-j-k}| \\
 &= \sum_k |\beta_k| \sum_j |\alpha_j| |y_{t-j-k}| \\
 &= \sum_u \left(\sum_k |\beta_{u+k}| |\alpha_k| \right) |y_{t-u}| \\
 &= \sum_u (|\beta| * |\tilde{\alpha}|)(u) |y_{t-u}| \\
 &= |\psi|(B) |y_t|.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

REMARK 8. Note that in general $\{y_t\}$ is an unbounded sequence.

The inverse of a filter

2.5. A POLYNOMIAL FILTER HAS AN INVERSE

THEOREM 1. Let $\{Y_t\}$ be a stationary time serie, β a filter and $X_t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \beta(B)Y_t$. Suppose that β is finite, the polynomial $\beta(z)$ has constant term equal to 1 and none of its roots are on the unit circle.

Then there exists a unique filter α such that $Y_t = \alpha(B)X_t$.

REMARK 9. We sometimes write

$$X_t = \beta(B)Y_t \Rightarrow Y_t = \beta^{-1}(B)X_t.$$

REMARK 10. The filter α is the inverse filter of β .

A polynomial expressed as function of its roots

PROPOSITION 3. Let $\beta(z)$ be a polynomial of grade m with constant term equal to 1. Then

$$\beta(z) = \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - \xi_i^{-1}z)$$

where $\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m\}$ are the m roots of the polynomial including multiplisities,

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3.

By the fundamental theorem in algebra the roots exist. Let

$$g(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \beta(z) - \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - \xi_i^{-1}z).$$

Then g is a polynomial of at most grade m . But g has $m + 1$ roots and therefore $g \equiv 0$. □

Proof Theorem 1

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. Let β be a polynomial of grade m with constant term equal to 1. By Proposition 3

$$(3) \quad \beta(z) = \prod_{i=1}^m (1 - \xi_i^{-1}z).$$

$\{\xi_i, i = 1, \dots, m\}$ are the roots of β including multiplisities. By (3), we can factorise β as a product of two polynomial factors; β_1 with all roots outside the unit circle, say r ; β_2 with all roots inside the unit circle.

$$\beta(z) = \beta_1(z)\beta_2(z) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^r (1 - \xi_i^{-1}z) \right) \left(\prod_{i=r+1}^m (1 - \xi_i^{-1}z) \right).$$

Consider the root ξ_i . If $|\xi_i| > 1$, then

$$\frac{1}{1 - \xi_i^{-1}z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{\xi_i} \right)^n, \quad |z| < |\xi_i|$$

since the right hand is a convergent geometric series under the given condition.

Roots inside the unit circle

If $|\xi_i| < 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 - \xi_i^{-1}z} &= \frac{1}{(\xi_i^{-1}z)(\xi z^{-1} - 1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{(-\xi_i^{-1}z)(1 - \xi z^{-1})} \\ &= \left(\frac{-\xi}{z}\right) \left(\frac{1}{1 - \xi z^{-1}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 - \xi_i^{-1}z} &= \left(\frac{-\xi_i}{z}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\xi_i}{z}\right)^n \\ &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\xi_i}{z}\right)^n \\ &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_i^n z^{-n}, \quad |z| > |\xi_i|. \end{aligned}$$

The two factors

Hence

$$(4) \quad \alpha_1(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\beta_1(z)} = \prod_{i=1}^r \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{\xi_i} \right)^n \right), \quad |z| < \min_{i \leq r} |\xi_i|,$$

$$\alpha_2(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\beta_2(z)} = (-1)^{m-r} \prod_{i=r+1}^m \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\xi_i}{z} \right)^n \right), \quad |z| > \max_{i \geq r+1} |\xi_i|,$$

and

$$\alpha(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\beta(z)} = \alpha_1(z) \alpha_2(z).$$

Simple trick

We have used a quite simple method but it is uttermost importance. Let

$$\delta = \min \left(\max(1 - |\xi_i|, |\xi_i| - 1) \right).$$

Then

$$\alpha_1(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad |z| \in (1 - \delta, 1 + \delta),$$

$$\alpha_2(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^{-n}, \quad |z| \in (1 - \delta, 1 + \delta)$$

where the coefficients $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ are defined in terms of the roots (4) .

Finally

We can write

$$\alpha(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\beta(z)} = \sum_n c_n z^n, \quad |z| \in (1 - \delta, 1 + \delta)$$

and $|c_n| = \mathcal{O}((1 - \delta)^n)$.

Now,

$$\alpha(B)X_t = \alpha(B)\beta(B)Y_t = \left(\alpha(B)\beta(B)\right)Y_t = \psi(B)Y_t = Y_t$$

by Proposition 2.

□

Example $m = 2$

2.6. THE AR(2) CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL HAS TWO ROOTS

For $m = 2$ the two roots must be one of the following possibilities:

- i) 1 multiple real root: ξ .
- ii) 2 different real roots: ξ_1 and ξ_2 .
- iii) One complex root and its conjugate: ξ and $\bar{\xi}$

2 complex roots

Suppose that we have two complex roots that are strictly inside the unit circle. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha(z) &= \left(- \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \xi^j z^{-j} \right) \left(- \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \bar{\xi}^k z^{-k} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z^{-(j+k)} \xi^n \bar{\xi}^k \\
 &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \xi^{n-k} \bar{\xi}^k \right) z^{-n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n z^{-n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

REMARK 11. The filter is real.

Exponential rate

The coefficients are

$$c_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \xi^{n-k} \bar{\xi}^k = (a * \bar{a})(n) - \xi^n - \bar{\xi}^n, \quad a_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \xi^n .cr$$

The sequence $\{c_n\}$ decreases with an exponential rate towards zero. We have

$$|c_n| \leq (n+1)|\xi|^n \leq C(|\xi| + \epsilon)^n.$$

In o-notation

$$c_n = \mathcal{O}(n|\xi|^n) = o((|\xi| + \epsilon)^n)$$

where we had to pay with a small epsilon in order to get rid of the polynomial factor n .

Generating functions

2.7. GENERATING AUTOCOVARIANCE FUNCTION

DEFINITION 5. Let γ be a covariance function that is summable. Then the generating function for γ is

$$G(z) = \sum_h \gamma(h) z^h, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

which is at least well defined $|z| = 1$.

If $\{X_t\}$ is stationary with summable covariance function we write G_X for its generating function. For a filter ψ we have

$$\psi(z) = \sum_j \psi_j z^j.$$

MA(1)

EXAMPLE 2. [MA(1)]

For an MA(1) ,

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 \left[(1 + \theta^2) \mathbb{1}(h = 0) + \theta \mathbb{1}(h = 1) + \theta \mathbb{1}(h = -1) \right],$$

and

$$G(z) = \sigma^2 [1 + \theta^2 + \theta z + \theta z^{-1}].$$

Now

$$(1 + \theta z)(1 + \theta z^{-1}) = 1 + \theta z + \theta z^{-1} + \theta^2$$

and

$$G(z) = \sigma^2 (1 + \theta z)(1 + \theta z^{-1}) = \sigma^2 \theta(z) \theta(z^{-1}).$$

AR(1)

EXAMPLE 3. [AR(1)]

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma(h) &= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \left[\mathbb{1}(h = 0) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi^h \mathbb{1}(h = n) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi^h \mathbb{1}(h = -n), \right] \\
G(z) &= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi^h z^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi^h z^{-n} \right] \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \left[1 + \frac{\phi z}{1 - \phi z} + \frac{\phi z^{-1}}{1 - \phi z^{-1}} \right] \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \left[\frac{(1 - \phi z)(1 - \phi z^{-1}) + \phi z(1 - \phi z^{-1}) + \phi z^{-1}(1 - \phi z)}{(1 - \phi z)(1 - \phi z^{-1})} \right] \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \left[\frac{1 - \theta^2}{(1 - \phi z)(1 - \phi z^{-1})} \right] \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \phi z)(1 - \phi z^{-1})} = \frac{\sigma^2}{\phi(z)\phi(z^{-1})}.
\end{aligned}$$

From a convolution to a product

2.8. THE AUTOCOVARIANCE GENERATING FUNCTION FORMULA

PROPOSITION 4. Let $\{Y_t\}$ be a stationary time series with summable covariance function and let $X_t = \psi(B)Y_t$. Then

$$(5) \quad G_X(z) = \psi(z)\psi(z^{-1})G_Y(h).$$

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 4. The simple proof use (2);

$$\gamma_X = \psi * \psi' * \gamma_Y$$

which immediately gives (5) since $\psi'(z) = \psi(z^{-1})$.

We can also obtain the result from Propopsition 1 by brute force.

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_X(z) &= \sum_h \gamma_X(h) z^h \\
 &= \sum_h \left(\sum_u \left(\sum_j \psi_{j+h-u} \psi_j \right) \gamma_Y(u) \right) z^h \\
 &= \sum_h \sum_u \sum_j \psi_{j+h-u} \psi_j \gamma_Y(u) z^h \\
 &= \sum_h \sum_u \sum_j \psi_{j+h-u} z^{j+h-u} \psi_j z^{-j} \gamma_Y(u) z^u \\
 &= \sum_u \sum_j \left(\sum_h \psi_{j+h-u} z^{j-u+h} \right) \psi_j z^{-j} \gamma_Y(u) z^u \\
 &= \sum_u \sum_j \left(\sum_h \psi_h z^h \right) \psi_j z^{-j} \gamma_Y(u) z^u \\
 &= \sum_u \gamma_Y(u) z^u \psi(z) \sum_j \psi_j z^{-j} \\
 &= G_Y(u) \psi(z) \psi(z^{-1}). \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Linear process

COROLLARY 2. Let $\{X_t\}$ be an MA(q) process. Then

$$G(z) = \sigma^2 \theta(z) \theta(z^{-1}).$$

PROOF.

In this case $\gamma_Y(h) = \sigma^2 \delta_{o,h}$. □

COROLLARY 3. Let $\{X_t\}$ be a general linear process, $X_t = \sum_j a_j Z_{t-j}$ with summable coefficients. Then

$$G(z) = \sigma^2 a(z) a(z^{-1}).$$

PROOF.

In this case $\gamma_Y(h) = \sigma^2 \delta_{o,h}$. □

The ARMA(p, q) model

3. ARMA(p, q)

$$(6) \quad X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \cdots + \phi_p X_{t-p} + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q} + Z_t, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

The model

- i) From a theoretical point of view it is model with $\{Z_t\}$ as input. Then it is an analogue of a SDE; stochastic differential equation. In that perspective a solution of the equation (model) is any stationary process $\{X_t\}$ that satisfies the model equation.
- ii) Another perspective is that $\{X_t\}$ is given. Then the problem is to find a white noise process $\{Z_t\}$ and an appropriate ARMA(p, q) model such that (6) holds.
- iii) We will try to distinguish between a model and a process.
- iv) The model may also cover nonstationary processes like unit types if the time index starts at zero instead of minus infinity.

The parts

$$X_t = \underbrace{\phi_1 X_{t-1} + \cdots + \phi_p X_{t-p}}_{\text{autoregressive part}} + \underbrace{\theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}}_{\text{moving average part}} + \underbrace{Z_t}_{\text{residual}}.$$

A regression model

This could be seen as a regression model and the full name is an autoregressive moving average of order (p, q) .

- i) It is autorregression since the regressors are pervious versions of the dependent variable. The dependent variable is the present observation.
- ii) Previous innovations are also included as regressors. These regressors are not directly observable. But they should not have an own life.
- iii) If $q = 0$, then the model reduces to an $AR(p)$ model.
- iv) If $p = 0$, then the model is a $MA(q)$ model.
- v) If both p and q are zero, then it is a white noise process.
- vi) It is a Gaussian $ARMA(p, q)$ model if the residuals are Gaussian.
- vii) It is Markovian if the residuals are iid.
- viii) It has a state space representation.

Other regression models for time series

We also have time series regression models of more standard type;

$$Y_t = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j X_{t-j} + Z_t, \quad t \geq 0$$

with $\{(X_t, Y_t)\}$ as a possible stationary vector time series. The big difference is that the dependent variable occurs only on the left hand side. If lags of the Y -process are also included as regressors in this model and at same time we add a linear model for X_t , then we get a vector autoregressive model; VARMA(p, q).

Associated Polynomials

The associated characteristic polynomial for the model is

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \phi_2 z^2 - \dots - \phi_p z^p.$$

The moving average polynomial is

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \theta_2 z^2 + \dots + \theta_q z^q.$$

AR(p) examples

EXAMPLE 4. [AR(1)]

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

EXAMPLE 5. [AR(2)]

$$X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \phi_2 X_{t-2} + Z_t.$$

MA(q) examples

EXAMPLE 6. [MA(1)]

$$X_t = \theta Z_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

EXAMPLE 7. [MA(2)]

$$X_t = \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \theta_2 Z_{t-2} + Z_t.$$

ARMA(p, q) examples

EXAMPLE 8. [ARMA(1, 1)]

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + \theta Z_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

EXAMPLE 9. [ARMA(2, 1)]

$$X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \phi_2 X_{t-2} + \theta Z_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

EXAMPLE 10. [ARMA(2, 2)]

$$X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \phi_2 X_{t-2} + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \theta_2 Z_{t-2} + Z_t.$$

Filter form

3.1. FILTER FORM OF THE ARMA(p, q) MODEL

We reorganize the model equation

$$X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \cdots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \theta_2 Z_{t-2} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$$

which is

$$X_t - \phi_1 B X_t - \cdots - \phi_p B^p X_t = Z_t + \theta_1 B Z_t + \theta_2 B^2 Z_t + \cdots + \theta_q B^q Z_t.$$

In terms of the the polynomials,

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t.$$

Existence of theorem

3.2. EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS THEOREM FOR AN ARMA(p, q) MODEL

THEOREM 2. Let

$$(7) \quad \phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t$$

be an ARMA(p, q) model with input $\{Z_t\}$ that is a $\text{WN}(0, \sigma_Z^2)$. Assume that the polynomials ϕ and θ has no common roots. The polynomial ϕ and θ have grade p and q , respectively. Then the model as a unique stationary solution $\{X_t\}$ iff the characteristic polynomial has no roots on the unit circle. The solution is

$$(8) \quad X_t = \psi(B)Z_t, \quad \psi(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\theta(z)}{\phi(z)}.$$

Model vs process

DEFINITION 6. Let $\{X_t\}$ be a stationary process. If $\{(X_t - \mu)\}$ satisfies (6) for a μ , some (p, q) and for a noise process $\{Z_t\}$, then we say that $\{X_t\}$ is an ARMA process.

REMARK 12.

- i) Note that we say nothing uniqueness here. We will later show that we do not have uniqueness here in the sense that an ARMA process will satisfy several ARMA models.
- ii) It is important to recognize the difference between an ARMA model and an ARMA process.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.

Suppose that ϕ has no roots on the unit circle. Then by Proposition ??, $\{X_t\}$ is well defined and solves (10). By the same Proposition this stationary solution is unique given that ϕ has no roots on the unit circle. It is a bit harder to show that the root condition is also necessary. \square

The noise process expressed in terms of the observable time series

3.3. THE π -FILTER IN AN ARMA(p, q) MODEL

COROLLARY 4. Suppose that the conditions in Theorem 2 that ensure a stationary solution hold. If in addition θ has no roots unit circle, then

$$(9) \quad Z(t) = \Pi(B)X_t, \quad \Pi(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\phi(z)}{\theta(z)}.$$

PROOF.

Apply Theorem 1.

□

Autocovariance generating formula for an ARMA(p, q) process

3.4. THE G FUNCTION FOR AN ARMA(p, q) PROCESS

THEOREM 3. Suppose that the conditions in Theorem 2 then the solution $\{X_t\}$ has generating function

$$G(z) = \sigma^2 \frac{\theta(z)\theta(z^{-1})}{\phi(z).\phi(z^{-1})}$$

PROOF.

Apply Theorem 2 and by Proposition 4.

□

Causal Filters

3.5. CAUSALITY AND INVERTIBILITY FOR AN ARMA(p, q) MODEL

DEFINITION 7. The filter ψ is causal if $\psi_j \equiv 0$ on $(-\infty, -1]$.

If $X_t = \psi(B)Y_t$ and ψ is causal, then

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Y_{t-j}$$

Causality and invertibility

DEFINITION 8. An ARMA(p, q) model is causal if ϕ and θ has no common roots and ϕ has all roots strictly outside the unit circle.

DEFINITION 9. An ARMA(p, q) model is invertible if ϕ and θ has no common roots and θ has all roots strictly outside the unit circle.

The linear representation for a causal ARMA model is computable in an efficient way

3.6. THE COVARIANCE STRUCTURE FOR A CAUSAL ARMA(p, q) MODEL

THEOREM 4. Let

$$(10) \quad \phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t$$

be a causal and invertible ARMA(p, q) model with $\{X_t\}$ as the unique solution. Then

$$\psi_j = \begin{cases} 1, & j = 0; \\ \sum_{k \geq 1} \phi_k \psi_{j-k} + \theta_j & j \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad \pi_j = \begin{cases} 1, & j = 0; \\ \sum_{k \geq 1} -\theta_k \pi_{j-k} - \phi_j & j \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

PROOF OF THEOREM 4.

We insert

$$X_{t-k} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-k-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-(j+k)} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j-k} Z_{t-j}$$

in (10) ,

$$(11) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} - \sum_{k=1}^p \phi_k \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j-k} Z_{t-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \theta_j Z_{t-j}.$$

where $\theta_0 = 1$, $\theta_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$ for $j \notin [0, q]$ and $\psi_j \equiv 0$ for $j < 0$.

The second term of the left hand of (11) is rewritten and we get the same summation for all three parts that the equation consists of;

$$(12) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^p \phi_k \psi_{j-k} Z_{t-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \theta_j Z_{t-j}.$$

Identical zero

Finally, we take all parts with a common summation on the left hand side of the equality sign in (12), and then we see that

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \underbrace{\psi_j - \sum_{k=1}^p \phi_k \psi_{j-k} - \theta_j}_{\text{has to be } \equiv 0} \right\} Z_{t-j} = 0.$$

ARMA(1, 1)

EXAMPLE 11. [ARMA(1, 1)]

Let $\{X_t\}$ be given by a causal and invertible ARMA(1, 1) model,

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + \theta Z_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

Then

$$\psi_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } j = 0 ; \\ \phi + \theta & \text{for } j = 1; \\ \phi\psi_{j-1} & \text{for } j \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_j &= \phi^{j-1}\psi_1, \quad j \geq 1, \quad \psi_1 = \phi + \theta, \\ &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } j = 1; \\ \phi^{j-1}(\phi + \theta) & \text{for } j \geq 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$X_t = (\phi + \theta) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \phi^{j-1} Z_{t-j} + Z_t.$$

We also see that

$$\pi_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } j = 0; \\ -\theta - \phi & \text{for } j = 1; \\ -\theta\pi_{j-1} & \text{for } j \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

This gives

$$\pi_j = (-\theta)^{j-1}\pi_1, \quad j \geq 1, \quad \pi_1 = -\theta - \phi$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } j = 1; \\ \theta^{j-1}(-1)^j(\phi + \theta) & \text{for } j \geq 2, \end{cases}$$

$$Z_t = (\phi + \theta) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-1)^j \theta^{j-1} X_{t-j} + X_t,$$

and

$$X_t = (\phi + \theta) \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-\theta)^{j-1} X_{t-j} + Z_t.$$

