## Homework Assignment 9

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**Problem 2.20.** In the innovations algorithm, show that for each  $n \geq 2$ , the innovation  $X_n - \hat{X}_n$  is uncorrelated with  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{n-1}$ . Conclude that  $X_n - \hat{X}_n$  is uncorrelated with the innovations  $X_1 - \hat{X}_1, X_2 - \hat{X}_2, \ldots, X_{n-1} - \hat{X}_{n-1}$ 

Solution.  $\Box$ 

**Problem 2.21.** Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5$  be observations from the MA(1) model.

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta Z_{t-1}, \{Z_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2).$$

- a. Find the best linear estimate of the missing value  $X_3$  in terms of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .
- b. Find the best linear estimate of the missing value  $X_3$  in terms of  $X_4$  and  $X_5$ .
- c. Find the best linear estimate of the missing value  $X_3$  in terms of  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_4$ , and  $X_5$ .
- d. Compute the mean squared errors for each of the estimates in (a), (b), and (c).

Solution. If Y and  $W_n, \ldots, W_1$  are random variables, then for  $\mathbf{W} = (W_n, \ldots, W_1)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_W = (\mathrm{E}(W_n), \ldots, \mathrm{E}(W_1))^\intercal$ , the best linear predictor of Y in terms of  $\{1, W_n, \ldots, W_1\}$  is

$$P(Y|\mathbf{W}) = \mathrm{E}(Y) + \mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{W} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{W}})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{a}$  is the solution of  $\Gamma \boldsymbol{a} = \gamma$  for  $\Gamma = \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W})$  and  $\gamma = \text{Cov}(Y, \boldsymbol{W})$ . Also, note for an MA(1) process, the autocovariance function is defined as

$$\gamma_X(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2(1+\theta^2) & \text{if } h = 0\\ \sigma^2\theta & \text{if } |h| = 1\\ 0 & \text{if } |h| > 1 \end{cases}$$

a. Using the above, set  $Y = X_3$  and  $W = (X_2, X_1)^{\mathsf{T}}$ . Then

$$\Gamma = \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W}) = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_X(0) & \gamma_X(1) \\ \gamma_X(1) & \gamma_X(0) \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \theta^2 & \theta \\ \theta & 1 + \theta^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_X(1) \\ \gamma_X(2) \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The solution to the system of equations  $\Gamma a = \gamma$  is

$$oldsymbol{a} = rac{ heta}{1+ heta^2+ heta^4} egin{bmatrix} 1+ heta^2 \ - heta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, the best predictor of  $X_3$  is

$$P(X_3|\mathbf{W}) = E(X_3) + \mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{W} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_W)$$
$$= \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4} ((1 + \theta^2)X_2 - \theta X_1)$$

b. Using the above, set  $Y = X_3$  and  $W = (X_5, X_4)^{\mathsf{T}}$ . Then

$$\Gamma = \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W}) = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_X(0) & \gamma_X(1) \\ \gamma_X(1) & \gamma_X(0) \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \theta^2 & \theta \\ \theta & 1 + \theta^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_X(2) \\ \gamma_X(1) \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

The solution to the system of equations  $\Gamma a = \gamma$  is

$$a = \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4} \begin{bmatrix} -\theta \\ 1 + \theta^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, the best predictor of  $X_3$  is

$$P(X_3|\mathbf{W}) = \mathrm{E}(X_3) + \mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbf{W} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_W)$$
$$= \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4} (-\theta X_5 + (1 + \theta^2) X_4)$$

c. Using the above, set  $Y = X_3$  and  $W = (X_5, X_4, X_2, X_1)^{\mathsf{T}}$ . Then

$$\Gamma = \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W}) = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_X(0) & \gamma_X(1) & \gamma_X(3) & \gamma_X(4) \\ \gamma_X(1) & \gamma_X(0) & \gamma_X(2) & \gamma_X(3) \\ \gamma_X(3) & \gamma_X(2) & \gamma_X(0) & \gamma_X(1) \\ \gamma_X(4) & \gamma_X(3) & \gamma_X(1) & \gamma_X(0) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \theta^2 & \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \theta & 1 + \theta^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \theta^2 & \theta \\ 0 & 0 & \theta & 1 + \theta^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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=  $\frac{\theta}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4} (-\theta X_5 + (1 + \theta^2) X_4 + (1 + \theta^2) X_2 - \theta X_1)$ 

d. The mean squared error of the predictor in terms of the known random variables is  $\mathbb{E}\left[(Y - P(Y|\mathbf{W}))^2\right] = \text{Var}(Y) - \mathbf{a}^{\dagger} \gamma$ .

Therefore, the mean squared error for:

(a) is 
$$E[(X_3 - P(X_3 | \mathbf{W}))^2] = \frac{-\sigma^2 \theta^2 (1 + \theta^2)}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4}$$

(b) is 
$$E[(X_3 - P(X_3 | \boldsymbol{W}))^2] = \frac{-\sigma^2 \theta^2 (1 + \theta^2)}{1 + \theta^2 + \theta^4}$$

(c) is 
$$E[(X_3 - P(X_3|\mathbf{W}))^2] = \frac{-2\sigma^2\theta^2(1+\theta^2)}{1+\theta^2+\theta^4}$$

**Problem 2.22.** Repeat parts (a)-(d) of Problem 2.21 assuming now that the observations  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5$  are from the causal AR(1) model

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + Z_t, \{Z_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$

Solution. If Y and  $W_n, \ldots, W_1$  are random variables, then for  $\mathbf{W} = (W_n, \ldots, W_1)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_W = (\mathrm{E}(W_n), \ldots, \mathrm{E}(W_1))^\mathsf{T}$ , the best linear predictor of Y in terms of  $\{1, W_n, \ldots, W_1\}$  is

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a. Using the above, set  $Y = X_3$  and  $W = (X_2, X_1)^{\intercal}$ . Then

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and

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$$= \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \theta^2 & \theta & 0 & 0 \\ \theta & 1 + \theta^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \theta^2 & \theta \\ 0 & 0 & \theta & 1 + \theta^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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