

# Time Series Analysis

## Time Series Regression Models

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# Introduction

- So far, we have learned
  - Different components of time series
    - Trend,
    - Seasonality,
    - Error.
  - Different type of time series
    - Stationary (weak and strong)
    - Non-stationary.
  - Different models for time series
    - Autoregressive,
    - Moving Average,
    - ARMA,
    - ARIMA.

- Different way to find the order of time series
  - ACF,
  - PACF,
  - EACF,
  - Information Criteria-based method (AIC, BIC, AICc, etc.)
- Different approaches to estimate the parameters of the model we choose to fit the time series.
  - Method of Moment,
  - Least Squares,
  - Maximum Likelihood.

- After fitting the model, we did
  - Model diagnostics or model criticism,
  - What does it mean
  - How to do it.
- We studied the prediction at a future time for different time series models.
- We also studied how to incorporate seasonality in the model.
- In this section, we study how to incorporate external information into time series modeling.

# Backshift operator

- The backshift operator, denoted  $\mathbf{B}$ , operates on the time index of a series and shifts time back one time unit to form a new series.
- For this, define the backward shift operator  $\mathbf{B}$  as follows:

$$\mathbf{B}y_t = y_{t-1}.$$

- Or generally,

$$\mathbf{B}^s y_t = y_{t-s}.$$

- The operator  $(1 - \mathbf{B})$  is usually denoted by  $\nabla = 1 - \mathbf{B}$  and is called the backward difference operator or simply difference operator.

# Backshift operator

- The difference of the series  $\{y_t\}$  is

$$(1 - \mathbf{B})y_t = \nabla y_t = y_t - y_{t-1}.$$

- Second-order differencing is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}(1 - \mathbf{B})^2 y_t &= \nabla^2 y_t \\ &= \nabla y_t - \nabla y_{t-1} \\ &= y_t - 2y_{t-1} + y_{t-2}\end{aligned}$$

- $k$ -th order differencing can be defined in a similar manner.
- Using  $\mathbf{B}$ , the MA( $q$ ) model can be written as

$$Y_t = \Theta(\mathbf{B})e_t,$$

- where  $\Theta(\mathbf{B})$  is the MA characteristic polynomial evaluated at  $\mathbf{B}$ .

# Some properties of $\mathbf{B}$ Operators

- The AR(p) model can be expressed as

$$\phi(\mathbf{B})Y_t = e_t,$$

- where  $\phi(\mathbf{B})$  is the AR characteristic polynomial evaluated at  $\mathbf{B}$ .

- The ARMA(p,q) model can be expressed as

$$\phi(\mathbf{B})Y_t = \Theta(\mathbf{B})e_t.$$

- The ARIMA(p,d,q) can be expressed as

$$\phi(\mathbf{B})(1 - \mathbf{B})^d Y_t = \Theta(\mathbf{B})e_t.$$

# Some properties of $\mathbf{B}$ Operators

- Let  $c$  be a constant and  $\{y_t\}$  a time series then

$$\mathbf{B}c = c$$

$$\mathbf{B}cy_t = c\mathbf{B}y_t$$

$$\mathbf{B}^i\mathbf{B}^jy_t = \mathbf{B}^{i+j}y_t = y_{t-i-j}$$

$$(a_1\mathbf{B}^i + a_2\mathbf{B}^j)y_t = a_1\mathbf{B}^iy_t + a_2\mathbf{B}^jy_t$$

$$\frac{1}{(1 - a\mathbf{B})}y_t = c \left[ 1 + a\mathbf{B} + a^2\mathbf{B}^2 + \cdots \right] y_t, \quad |a| < 1$$

- An analogous set of properties hold for  $\nabla$ , except that  $\nabla c = 0$ .



# Intervention Analysis

- Sometimes exceptional external events, called interventions, affect the time series to be analyzed.
- It is assumed that the intervention affects the process by changing the mean function or trend of a time series.
- Examples of intervention
  - Airline travels.
  - Animal population.
  - Speed limit.

# Intervention

- We refer to the events changing the behavior of a time series as intervention.
- An intervention can change the level of a series
- Changes the level after a short delay;
- It could make a series going downward causing it to drift upward or the other way around.
- A single intervention can also have different effects on different time series.

# Types of Intervention

- For simplicity, we assume we have just intervention on the mean function.
- We will distinguish several types of intervention.
  - Classification based on the time of intervention
    - Intervention time is known
    - The time of intervention is not known
  - Classification based on effect of intervention
    - Intervention with permanent effect
    - Intervention with temporary effect

# Intervention models: known intervention time

- We consider two simple cases of modeling the effect of an intervention used in practice.
- The effect of a temporary intervention, that takes place at only one time can be entered as an input to the system by

$$P_t^T = \begin{cases} 1, & t = T \\ 0, & t \neq T \end{cases}$$

- We call this a pulse.

# Intervention models

- The effect of a permanent intervention, that takes place at time  $T$  and remains in effect thereafter can be entered to a model by

$$S_t^T = \begin{cases} 0, & t < T \\ 1, & t \geq T \end{cases}$$

- We call this a step intervention.
- Note that

$$P_t^T = S_t^T - S_{t-1}^T = (1 - \mathbf{B})S_t^T \quad (1)$$

- The effects of interventions can be entered to any model of a time series.
- We will use *SARIMA* models.

# SARIMA model with an intervention: Sudden fixed unknown impact

- Let  $\{N_t\}$  be an  $SARIMA(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)_s$  series.
- If the impact of an intervention is sudden and fixed, we can write
  - For the pulse intervention,  $P_t^T$ ,

$$Y_t = \omega P_t^T + N_t$$

- For an  $ARMA(p, q)$  this can be written as:

$$Y_t = \omega P_t^T + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t,$$

# SARIMA model with an intervention

- For the step intervention,  $S_t^T$ ,

$$Y_t = \omega S_t^T + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t$$

- This model represents an immediate level change in the series.
- Let  $I_t$  denote  $P_t^T$  or  $S_t^T$ , as appropriate, in general we have

$$Y_t = \omega I_t + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t. \quad (2)$$

# SARIMA model with an intervention: Fixed unknown impact with delay

- If the impact of an intervention is fixed with a time delay of  $b$ , a model of the form

$$Y_t = \omega \mathbf{B}^b I_t + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t \quad (3)$$

- can be used.
- For the pulse intervention,  $P_t^T$ , the model would be

$$Y_t = \omega \mathbf{B}^b P_t^T + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t.$$

- For the step intervention,  $S_t^T$ , the model would be

$$Y_t = \omega \mathbf{B}^b S_t^T + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t.$$



# General *SARIMA* model with an intervention

- We can generalize the previous models to a general intervention model as follows.
- Let  $N_t$  be an  $SARIMA(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)_s$  time series and  $I_t$  be an intervention series, then a general *ARIMA* with intervention model has the form of

$$Y_t = \nu(\mathbf{B})I_t + N_t,$$

- where  $\nu$  is called the impulse function of the model.

# General *SARIMA* model with an intervention

- Various models can be produced by the form of  $\nu$ .
- In practice, a rational function of the following form is considered as the impulse function:

$$\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\omega(\mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}^b}{\delta(\mathbf{B})},$$

- where

$$\omega(\mathbf{B}) = \omega_0 - \omega_1\mathbf{B} - \dots - \omega_k\mathbf{B}^k$$

- and

$$\delta(\mathbf{B}) = 1 - \delta_1\mathbf{B} - \dots - \delta_l\mathbf{B}^l$$

# SARIMA model with an intervention

## Gradual unknown impact

- If we take  $\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\omega}{1-\delta\mathbf{B}}$ , where  $0 \leq \delta \leq 1$ , we have a model for gradual impact of intervention.
- For *ARMA* model, with the intervention  $I_t$  the model reduces to

$$Y_t = \frac{\omega}{1-\delta\mathbf{B}} I_t + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t. \quad (4)$$

- Note that (4) reduces to (2) when  $\delta = 0$ .
- If we take  $\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\omega\mathbf{B}^b}{1-\delta\mathbf{B}}$ , where  $0 \leq \delta \leq 1$ , we have a model for gradual impact of an intervention with  $b$  period delay.
- For *ARMA* model, with a pulse intervention,  $P_t^T$ , the model reduces to

$$Y_t = \frac{\omega\mathbf{B}^b}{1-\delta\mathbf{B}} P_t^T + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\Phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t.$$

# SARIMA model with multiple interventions

- Models with one intervention can be extended to multiple interventions.
- The following general form is used in practice for multiple interventions.

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\omega_j(\mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}^{b_j}}{\delta_j(\mathbf{B})} I_{jt} + N_t,$$

- where  $I_{jt}, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  are intervention variables.

# Fitting a model with intervention

- Assuming we know the form of the impulse function, the problem of fitting a *SARIMA* model with intervention is similar to a simple *SARIMA* model.
- Parameters can be estimated using least square or maximum likelihood methods.
- We can fit a *SARIMA* model with intervention in R using “arimax” function specifying the intervention variable and order of *SARIMA* model.

- Crucial question: What is an outlier?
- As in other areas of statistics presence of outliers can disrupt a time series analysis.
- Most often outliers are clearly visible in the time plot of the data.

# Causes of Outliers

- There are several ways outliers can be produced in time series data.
  - Data entry or measuring instrument errors can produce outliers. (Systematic errors)
  - Outliers could be produced by error distributions with 'thick' (fat) tails, in which extreme observations occur with greater frequency than expected for a normal distribution.
  - Outliers could be caused because the underlying model is non-linear.

# Solutions to the problem of Outliers

- If outliers are errors (mistakes) then they need to be adjusted.
- If it is not clear that the outlier is an error or a real extreme value, it would be misleading to remove the observation completely
- On the other hand leaving the outlier in the model could mess up the analysis.
- For this case the solution depends on the objective of time series analysis.
- For example, if the objective is forecasting, one approach is to use robust methods which downweight extreme observations.
- We will consider outlier analysis in the framework of *ARIMA* models.



# Types of outliers

- It is customary to distinguish several types of outliers.
- Different types of outliers were defined as:
  - Additive outliers (AO)
  - Innovation outliers (IO)
  - Level shift (LS)
  - Temporary Change (TC)

# Additive outliers (AO)

- Let  $X_t$  be an stationary invertible  $ARMA(p, q)$  process with AR polynomial of  $\phi_p(\mathbf{B})$  and MA polynomial of  $\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})$
- An additive outlier (AO) model is defined as

$$Y_t = \begin{cases} X_t & t \neq T \\ X_t + \omega & t = T \end{cases}$$
$$= X_t + \omega I_t^T$$

- where

$$I_t^T = \begin{cases} 1 & t = T \\ 0 & t \neq T \end{cases}$$

# Additive outliers (AO)

- Let  $X_t$  be an stationary invertible  $ARMA(p, q)$  process.
- An additive outlier (AO) model is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= X_t + \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})} \omega I_t^T \\ &= \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})} (e_t + \omega I_t^T) \end{aligned}$$

- An additive outlier affects only the  $T$ th observation.
- We call  $\omega$  the outlier effect.

# Innovational Outlier (IO)

- An innovation outlier occurs at time  $t$  if the error at time  $t$  is perturbed.

- That is

$$e_t = e_t + \omega P_t^T.$$

- An innovative outlier at  $T$  perturbs all observations on and after  $T$ .
- The effect of the IO diminishes as the observation is further away from the origin of the outlier.
- We call  $\omega$  the outlier effect.

# Level shift (LS) and Temporary Change (TC)

- The idea of gradual impact for intervention can be used for outlier detection.
- Level shift (LS) model is defined as

$$Y_t = X_t + \frac{\omega_L}{1 - \mathbf{B}} I_t^T.$$

- Temporary Change (TC) model is defined as

$$Y_t = X_t + \frac{\omega_C}{1 - \delta \mathbf{B}} I_t^T.$$

# General Outlier model

- Similar to the intervention analysis we might have several outliers of different types.
- If we have  $k$  outliers of different types, we can use the following general model:

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=1}^k \omega_j \nu_j(\mathbf{B}) I_t^T + X_t.$$

- where  $X_t = \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})} e_t$  and  $\nu_j(\mathbf{B}) = 1$  for an AO and  $\nu_j(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})}$  for an IO.

# Estimation of $\omega$

- Assume  $T$  is known, to estimate  $\omega$ , let

$$\pi(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \pi_j \mathbf{B}^j.$$

- For AO model we can estimate  $\omega$  by

$$\hat{\omega}_{AO}^T = \frac{\mathbf{e}_T - \sum_{j=1}^{n-T} \pi_j \mathbf{e}_{T+j}}{\tau^2}, \quad \text{where } \tau = \sum_{j=1}^{n-T} \pi_j^2.$$

- It can be shown that

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\omega}_{AO}^T) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2}.$$

- For IO model we can estimate  $\omega$  by

$$\hat{\omega}_{IO}^T = \mathbf{e}_T$$

- And  $\text{Var}(\hat{\omega}_{IO}^T) = \sigma^2$ .

# Testing for $\omega$

- Having an estimate for  $\omega$  various tests can be performed for the hypotheses

$$H_0 : Y_T \text{ is neither an AO nor an IO}$$

$$H_1 : Y_T \text{ is an AO}$$

$$H_2 : Y_T \text{ is an IO}$$

- The likelihood ratio test statistics for AO and IO are

$$H_0 \text{ vs } H_1 \quad \lambda_{1,T} = \frac{\tau \hat{\omega}_{AO}^T}{\sigma}$$

$$H_0 \text{ vs } H_1 \quad \lambda_{2,T} = \frac{\hat{\omega}_{IO}^T}{\sigma}$$

- Under the null hypothesis  $H_0$ , both  $\lambda_{1,T}$  and  $\lambda_{2,T}$  have standard normal distributions.



# Testing for outliers when $T$ is unknown

- If  $T$  is unknown but the time series parameters are known, we can calculate  $\lambda_{1t}$  and  $\lambda_{2t}$  for  $t = 1, \dots, n$
- Then based on the distribution of the test statistics we can decide which observation is an outlier.
- In practice, the parameters are unknown and the estimates of the parameters in the presence of outliers is seriously biased.
- A Four-step iterative method proposed by Chang and Tiao (1983) to detect an unknown number of outliers.

# Detection of outliers using an Iterative method

- Model the series  $Y_t$  assuming no outliers, compute the residuals
- Calculate  $\hat{\lambda}_{1t}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}_{2t}$  for  $t = 1, \dots, n$ .

- Define

$$\hat{\lambda}_T = \max_t \max_i \{|\hat{\lambda}_{i,t}|\}$$

- where  $T$  is the time that maximum occurs.
  - If  $\hat{\lambda}_T = |\hat{\lambda}_{1,T}| > C$ , where  $C$  is a predetermined positive constant, then there is an AO at time  $T$ .
  - Estimate  $\omega_{AO}$  and modify the observation by  $\tilde{Y}_t = Y_t - \hat{\omega}_{AO}^T$  and define the new residuals.
  - If  $\hat{\lambda}_T = |\hat{\lambda}_{2,T}| > C$  then there is an IO at time  $T$ .
  - Estimate  $\omega_{IO}$  and modify the observation by  $\tilde{Y}_t = Y_t - \hat{\omega}_{AO}^T$  and define the new residuals.

# Detection of outliers using an Iterative method

- Compute a new estimate for  $\sigma^2$ .
- Based on this new estimate, recompute  $\hat{\lambda}_{1,t}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}_{2,t}$ .
- The initial model remains unchanged.
- Suppose in step 3  $k$  outliers have been identified at times  $T_1, \dots, T_k$ .
- Treat them as if they are known, and estimate the effect of the outlier  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k$  and the other parameters in

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=1}^k \omega_j \nu_j(\mathbf{B}) I_t^T + X_t.$$

- where  $X_t = \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})} Z_t$  and  $\nu_j(\mathbf{B}) = 1$  for an AO and  $\nu_j(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\Theta_q(\mathbf{B})}{\phi_p(\mathbf{B})}$  for an IO.

# Spurious Correlation

- We consider two series  $Y_t$  and  $X_t$ .
- An extension to more than two series is usually straightforward.
- Our model will be a pair of stochastic processes, which we write as  $\{X_t, Y_t\}$ .
- To analyze the inter-dependence between  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{Y_t\}$  we assume that bivariate process is stationary.

# Cross covariance function

- The cross-covariance function of a bivariate random process  $\{X_t, Y_t\}$  is defined as

$$\gamma_{t,s}(XY) = \text{cov}(X_t, Y_s).$$

- $\{X_t, Y_t\}$  are jointly (weakly) stationary if their means are constant and  $\gamma_{t,s}(XY)$  is a function of the times difference  $t - s$ .
- The cross-correlation function (CCF) of  $\{Y_t\}$  and  $\{X_t\}$  is

$$\rho_k(XY) = \frac{\gamma_k(XY)}{\sqrt{\gamma_X(0)\gamma_Y(0)}},$$

- where  $\gamma_Y$  and  $\gamma_X$  be the acf of  $\{Y_t\}$  and  $\{X_t\}$ , respectively.
- We have

$$\gamma_{-k}(XY) = \gamma_k(XY).$$

- For a given bivariate time series data  $(x_t, y_t)$ ,  $t = 1, \dots, n$  the CCF is estimated by

$$\hat{\rho}_{XY}(k) = r_{XY} = \frac{g_{XY}(k)}{\sqrt{g_{XX}(0)g_{YY}(0)}},$$

- where

$$g_{XY}(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=k+1}^n (x_t - \bar{x})(y_{t-k} - \bar{y}), & k \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n+k} (x_t - \bar{x})(y_{t-k} - \bar{y}), & k < 0 \end{cases}$$

- and

$$g_{XX}(0) = \hat{\gamma}_{XX}(0) \text{ and } g_{YY}(0) = \hat{\gamma}_{YY}(0).$$

# Confidence interval for CCF

- To test for the nonzero values of  $\rho_{XY}(k)$ , we compare the sample CCF,  $r_{XY}(k)$ , with their standard errors.
- Under the normal assumption, and the hypothesis that two series  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{Y_t\}$  are uncorrelated, if the series  $\{X_t\}$  is white noise then

$$\text{Var}(r_{XY}(k)) \approx \frac{1}{n-k}.$$

- In practice, the series  $\{X_t\}$  usually is not white noise, and we have to **prewhiten** it.

# Transfer Function models

- The first model in the analysis of bivariate time series is the transfer function model.
- The transfer function model is used where  $\{X_t\}$  is an explanatory times series and  $\{Y_t\}$  a dependent time series.
- This model is a generalization of regression to time series data.
- The transfer function model is an extension of intervention model to any kind of function rather than pulse or step functions.
- Some authors refer to transfer function model as **dynamic regression**.



# Transfer Function models

- In economy and engineering the independent or the explanatory time series is called an input and the dependent time series is called the output.
- Assume that  $X_t$  and  $Y_t$  are properly transformed series so that they are both stationary.
- In a single input, single output linear system, the output series  $Y_t$  and the input series  $X_t$  are related in a linear form as

$$Y_t = \nu(\mathbf{B})X_t + N_t \quad (5)$$

- where  $\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \nu_j \mathbf{B}^j$  is called the transfer function, and  $N_t$  is the noise series of the system.
- We assume  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{N_t\}$  are independent.
- Note that  $\{N_t\}$  is not necessarily a white noise.

- The coefficients  $\nu_j$  are called the impulse function weights.
- If  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{N_t\}$  follow *ARMA* models, then the model(5) is also known as *ARMAX* model.
- As an example consider the simple regression model

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta_0 x_t + \beta_1 x_{t-1} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{t-k} + N_t,$$

- In this case,  $\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mathbf{B} + \cdots + \beta_k \mathbf{B}^k$ .

# Transfer Function models

- In practice, a rational transfer function of the following form is used

$$\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\omega(\mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}^b}{\delta(\mathbf{B})},$$

- where

$$\omega(\mathbf{B}) = \omega_0 - \omega_1\mathbf{B} - \cdots - \omega_l\mathbf{B}^l,$$

and

$$\delta(\mathbf{B}) = 1 - \delta_1\mathbf{B} - \cdots - \delta_m\mathbf{B}^m.$$

- Similar to the intervention model,  $b$  is a delay parameter.
- For a stable system we assume the roots of  $\delta(\mathbf{B})$  are outside the unit circle.
- Now, our aim is to fit a transfer function model to a bivariate time series.

# Relation between the CCF and The transfer Function

- Using (5) for time  $t - k$  we can write

$$Y_{t-k} = \nu_0 X_{t-k} + \nu_1 X_{t-k-1} + \cdots + N_{t-k} \quad (6)$$

- W.L.G., assume mean of  $Y$  and mean of  $X$  are zero.
- Multiplying both sides of (6) by  $X_t$  and taking expectation, then dividing by  $\sigma_X \sigma_Y$  we get

$$\rho_{XY}(k) = \frac{\sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} [\nu_0 \rho_X(k) + \nu_1 \rho_X(k-1) + \cdots] \quad (7)$$

- If the input series  $\{X_t\}$  is white noise, i.e.  $\rho_X = 0$  for  $k \neq 0$ , then we have

$$\nu_k = \frac{\sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} \rho_{XY}(k). \quad (8)$$

# Relation between the CCF and The transfer Function

- In general, if we know  $\rho_{XY}$  and  $\rho_X$  we can use (7) to solve for  $\nu_j$ .
- Solving (7) for  $\nu_j$  is usually complicated.
- But, if the input series  $\{X_t\}$  is white noise, we can simply use (8) to solve for  $\nu_j$ .
- Usually  $\{X_t\}$  is not white noise, and we use prewhitening procedure to get a white noise.

# Prewhitening

- In the transfer function model (5), we assume that

- $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{Y_t\}$  are jointly stationary.
- the input series  $\{X_t\}$  follows an *ARMA* model

$$\phi_X(\mathbf{B})X_t = \Theta_X(\mathbf{B})U_t,$$

- where  $\{U_t\}$  is a white noise.
- Since  $\{X_t\}$  is stationary, we can write

$$U_t = \frac{\phi_X(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_X(\mathbf{B})}X_t$$

- $U_t$  is called the prewhitened series and  $\frac{\phi_X(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_X(\mathbf{B})}$  is called the prewhitening transformation.

- If we apply the prewhitening transformation on the output series  $\{Y_t\}$ , we obtain

$$V_t = \frac{\phi_X(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_X(\mathbf{B})} Y_t,$$

- Let  $Z_t = \frac{\phi_X(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_X(\mathbf{B})} N_t$ , then the transfer function model reduces to

$$V_t = \nu(\mathbf{B}) U_t + Z_t \quad (9)$$

- The weights  $\nu_j$  can be found as

$$\nu_j = \frac{\sigma_V}{\sigma_U} \rho_{UV}(j).$$

# Relationships between $\nu_j$ and $\omega$ and $\delta$

- The orders  $l$ ,  $m$ , and  $b$  and their relationships to the  $\nu_j$  can be found by equating the coefficients of  $\mathbf{B}^j$  in both sides of the equation

$$\delta(\mathbf{B})\nu(\mathbf{B}) = \omega(\mathbf{B})\mathbf{B}^b.$$

- Expanding this equation, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}\nu_j &= 0 & j < b \\ \nu_j &= \delta_1\nu_{j-1} + \delta_2\nu_{j-2} + \cdots + \delta_m\nu_{j-m} + \omega_0 & j = b \\ \nu_j &= \delta_1\nu_{j-1} + \delta_2\nu_{j-2} + \cdots + \delta_m\nu_{j-m} - \omega_{j-b} & j = b+1, \dots, b+l \\ \nu_j &= \delta_1\nu_{j-1} + \delta_2\nu_{j-2} + \cdots + \delta_m\nu_{j-m} & j > b+l\end{aligned}\quad (10)$$



# Relationships between $\nu_j$ and $\omega$ and $\delta$

- The equations imply that  $\nu_j$  consist of the following :
  - 1  $b$  zero weights  $\nu_0, \dots, \nu_{b-1}$ .
  - 2  $l - m + 1$  weights  $\nu_b, \nu_{b+1}, \dots, \nu_{b+l-m}$  that do not follow a fixed pattern
  - 3  $m$  starting weights,  $\nu_{b+l-m+1}, \nu_{b+l-m+2}, \dots, \nu_{b+l}$
  - 4  $\nu_j$ , for  $j > b + l$ , that follows (10).

# Relationships between $\nu_j$ and $\omega$ and $\delta$

- In simple words:
  - $b$  is determined by  $\nu_0$  for  $j < b$  and  $\nu_b \neq 0$ .
  - $m$  by the pattern of  $\nu_j$ , in a similar manner to identification of  $p$  for a univariate *ARIMA*.
  - for a given value of  $b$ ,
    - if  $m = 0$ , then the value of  $l$  can be found using that  $\nu_j = 0$  for  $j > b + l$ .
    - if  $m \neq 0$ , then the value of  $l$  is found by checking where the pattern of decay for  $\nu_j$  starts.

# Identification of Transfer Function Models

- In transfer function models we should identify the transfer function and a model for noise.
- Identifying a transfer function model has three main steps
  - 1 Identify a model to describe the input series  $x$
  - 2 Identify a preliminary transfer function
  - 3 Use the residuals of the preliminary model to identify a model describing the noise structure of the preliminary model and to form a final transfer function model.

# Identification of Transfer Function Models

- After fitting a model to  $x_t$ , step 2 to identify a transfer function model  $\nu(\mathbf{B})$  is done in the following simple steps

1 Prewhiten  $x_t$  to get  $u_t = \frac{\phi_x(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_x(\mathbf{B})} x_t$

- 2 apply the prewhitening transformation on  $y_t$  to have  $v_t$

$$v_t = \frac{\phi_x(\mathbf{B})}{\Theta_x(\mathbf{B})} y_t,$$

- 3 calculate the sample CCF,  $\hat{\rho}_{uv}$  between  $u_t$  and  $v_t$ , to estimate  $\nu_k$ ,

$$\nu_k = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_v}{\hat{\sigma}_u} \hat{\rho}_{uv}(k),$$

- 4 We can test for the significance of  $\nu_k$  by comparing  $\hat{\nu}_k$  with  $(n - k)^{-1/2}$ .

- 5 Identify  $b, l, m, \omega_i, i = 1 \cdots l$  and  $\delta_j, j = 1 \cdots m$  by matching the pattern of  $\hat{\nu}_k$  with the known patterns.

- 6 Then we have  $\hat{\nu}(\mathbf{B})$ .

# Identification of the Noise model

- After identifying the transfer function, we calculate the estimated noise

$$\hat{n}_t = y_t - \hat{\nu}(\mathbf{B})x_t,$$

- Then the model for the noise can be identified by univariate time series identification tools, ending with

$$\phi(\mathbf{B})\hat{n}_t = \Theta(\mathbf{B})e_t.$$

- We finish up by identifying a complete model of the form

$$y_t = \frac{\omega(\mathbf{B})}{\delta(\mathbf{B})}x_{t-b} + \frac{\Theta(\mathbf{B})}{\phi(\mathbf{B})}e_t.$$

# Estimation of Transfer function models

- After identifying the transfer function model

$$y_t = \frac{\omega(\mathbf{B})}{\delta(\mathbf{B})} x_{t-b} + \frac{\Theta(\mathbf{B})}{\phi(\mathbf{B})} e_t.$$

- we need to estimate the parameters of the model,  $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_l)$ ,  $(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_m)$ ,  $(\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_q)$ ,  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p)$  and  $\sigma^2$ .
- In general, this can be done by using ML or CLS method.

# Diagnostic Checking of Transfer function models

- After a transfer function model fitted to the bivariate time series, we need to check for the model adequacy before we can use it.
- The assumptions to be checked are:
  - noise model is adequate i.e. the  $e_t$  are white noise.
  - Independence of the noise series,  $n_t$  and input series,  $x_t$ .
  - This can be done equivalently, by checking the independence of  $e_t$  and  $u_t$ .

# Diagnostic Checking of Transfer function models

- To check for the Independence of  $u_t$  and  $e_t$  we can use
  - sample CCF,  $\hat{\rho}_{u\hat{z}}(k)$  between  $u_t$  and  $\hat{e}_t$ . They should be within their two standard errors and show no pattern.
  - the following portmanteau test statistics with  $K + 1 - M$  degrees of freedom,

$$Q_0 = n(n+2) \sum_{j=0}^K \frac{1}{n-j} \hat{\rho}_{u\hat{e}}^2(j),$$

- where  $n$  is the number of residuals calculated, and  $M$  is the number of parameters estimated for the transfer function.



# Diagnostic Checking of Transfer function models

- To check for the adequacy of noise model,
  - both sample ACF and PACF of  $\hat{e}_t$  should not show any pattern, and lie within two standard errors.
  - and we also can use portmanteau test statistics with  $K - p - q$  degrees of freedom,

$$Q_1 = n(n+2) \sum_{j=0}^K \frac{1}{n-j} \hat{\rho}_{\hat{e}}^2(j),$$

# Diagnostic Checking of Transfer function models

- In diagnostic checking we may have the following two cases
  - **Case 1:** the transfer function  $\nu(\mathbf{B})$  is not adequate.
    - In this case, for some  $k$   $\hat{\rho}_{u\hat{e}}(k) \neq 0$  and  $\hat{\rho}_{\hat{e}}(k) \neq 0$ .
    - The remedy is first to re-identify  $\nu(\mathbf{B})$  and then the noise model.
  - **Case 2:** transfer function  $\nu(\mathbf{B})$  is adequate, and only the noise model is inadequate.
    - In this case,  $\hat{\rho}_{u\hat{e}}(k) = 0$  for all  $k$ , but for some  $k$ ,  $\hat{\rho}_{\hat{e}}(k) \neq 0$ .
    - We can use the pattern of  $\hat{\rho}_{\hat{e}}(k)$  to modify the noise model.

# Some remarks on using transfer function models

- For constructing the transfer function model, we assumed that  $x_t$  and  $y_t$  are stationary. If this is not the case we should use some transformation or differencing to achieve stationarity.
- Prewhitening is applied to  $x_t$  to whiten it.
- To fit a causal transfer function model to a bivariate time series we should have  $\rho_{xy}(k) = 0$  for all  $k > 0$  or  $\rho_{xy}(k) = 0$  for all  $k < 0$ .
- If  $\rho_{xy} \neq 0$  for both negative and positive values of  $k$ , this means relationship between  $x$  and  $y$  is not causal.
- In engineering and economy, this is called “feedback relationship”.
- In this case, we should use multivariate modeling.

- Suppose we have the following time series model for  $\{Y_t\}$ :

$$Y_t = m_t + \eta_t,$$

- where
  - $m_t$  captures the mean of  $\{Y_t\}$ , i.e.,  $E(Y_t) = m_t$ .
  - $\{\eta_t\}$  is a zero mean stationary process with ACVF  $\gamma_\eta(\cdot)$ .
- The component  $\{m_t\}$  may depend on time  $t$ , or possibly on other explanatory series.

# Time Series Regression

- **Constant trend model:** For each  $t$  let  $m_t = \beta_0$  for some unknown parameter  $\beta_0$ .

- **Simple linear regression:** For unknown parameters  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ,

$$m_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_t,$$

- where  $\{x_t\}$  is some explanatory variable indexed in time (may just be a function of time or could be other series)
- **Harmonic regression:** For each  $t$  let

$$m_t = A \cos(2\pi f t + \phi),$$

- where  $A > 0$  is the amplitude (an unknown parameter),  $f > 0$  is the frequency of the sinusoid (usually known), and  $\phi \in (-\pi, \pi]$  is the phase (usually unknown). We can rewrite this model as

$$m_t = \beta_0 x_{1,t} + \beta_1 x_{2,t},$$

- where  $x_{1,t} = \cos(2\pi f t)$  and  $x_{2,t} = \sin(2\pi f t)$ .

# Time Series Regression

- Suppose there are  $p$  explanatory series  $\{x_{j,t}\}_{j=1}^p$ , the time series model for  $\{Y_t\}$  is

$$Y_t = m_t + \eta_t,$$

- where

$$m_t = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j x_{j,t},$$

- and  $\{\eta_t\}$  is a mean zero stationary process with ACVF  $\gamma_\eta(\cdot)$ .
- We can write the linear model in matrix notation:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\eta},$$

- where  $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)^T$  is the observation vector, the coefficient vector is  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p)^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n)^T$  is the error vector.

# Time Series Regression

- When dealing with time series the errors  $\{\eta_t\}$  are typically correlated in time

Assuming the errors  $\{\eta_t\}$  are a stationary Gaussian process, consider the model

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \eta,$$

where  $\eta$  has a multivariate normal distribution, i.e.,

$$\eta \sim N(0, \Sigma)$$

The generalized least squares (GLS) estimate of  $\beta$  is

$$\hat{\beta} = \left( \mathbf{X}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{Y}.$$

# Applying GLS In Practice

- The main problem in applying GLS in practice is that  $\Sigma$  depends on  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  and we have to estimate these
- A two-step procedure
  - 1 Estimate  $\beta$  by OLS, calculating the residuals  $\hat{\eta} = Y - X\beta_{OLS}$ , and fit an ARMA to  $\hat{\eta}$  to get  $\Sigma$ .
  - 2 Re-estimate  $\beta$  using GLS
- Alternatively, we can consider one-shot maximum likelihood methods