

Tutorial 4 - STAT 485/685

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Today's Plan

1 Recap of Tutorial 3

- Trends
- Residual Analysis

2 Examples

- Example 1: Questions 3.5 & 3.11
- Example 2: Questions 3.6 & 3.12

3 Random Walk Example in R



Recap of Tutorial 3

Trends

- $\{Y_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is a time series
 - ...a realization of a stochastic process, t is *time*.
- Express each term as

$$Y_t = \mu_t + X_t,$$

where $E(Y_t) = \mu_t \Rightarrow E(X_t) = 0$.

- **Goal:** Model and estimate μ_t .
 - $\mu_t = \mu \Rightarrow$ *constant mean model*
 - $\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t \Rightarrow$ *linear trend model*
 - $\mu_t = \mu_{t+k}$ for some $k \Rightarrow$ *seasonal mean model*
 - $\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cos(2\pi ft) + \beta_2 \sin(2\pi ft) \Rightarrow$ *cosine trend model*
- \Rightarrow Estimate parameters in μ_t by minimizing the *least squares* objective function.



Recap of Tutorial 3

Trends

For the time series $\{Y_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$:

- ...textbook specifies $\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

For the `larain` dataset:

- Let Y_{t-1877} denote the value of precipitation (in inches) in Los Angeles in year t .

We can allow for $\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, 115\}$ (i.e. $n = 115$).

For the `wages` and `tempdub` datasets:

- $\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$?

⇒ depends on the time scale we want!

- If the time scale is **months**, $\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is okay!
- If the time scale is **years**, $\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ doesn't make sense if we have monthly observations!

Problem: What if we want to model in this years?

You saw this issue in Question 2 of Assignment 2!

- See **Week 4 - Video 11** on specifying *indicator variables* as regressors.

Recap of Tutorial 3

Residual Analysis

- With $Y_t = \mu_t + X_t$,
 - Specify a model for μ_t .
 - Estimate the parameters
 - Obtain $\hat{\mu}_t$
 - **Now what?**
- Estimate the “error term” X_t with

$$\hat{X}_t = Y_t - \hat{\mu}_t.$$

- **Basic idea:** If we specify a “good” model for $\mu_t \Rightarrow X_t \approx 0$.
 - If we properly accounted for the autocorrelation structure present within $\{Y_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$, then $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ should “behave” like white noise.
 - Since we don't know $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\} \Rightarrow$ we use $\{\hat{X}_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ instead.



Recap of Tutorial 3

Residual Analysis

- Recall, $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is a white noise process if
 - X_t are iid random variables.
 - $E(X_t) = 0$.
 - $Var(X_t) = \sigma_e^2$.

There are a few general checks to see if $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ “behaves” like white noise, and other general goodness-of-fit procedures we can conduct:

- **Estimate σ_e**

$$\hat{\sigma}_e = s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \hat{\mu}_t)^2},$$

where p is the number of parameters.



Recap of Tutorial 3

Residual Analysis

- **Compute R^2 - Coefficient of Determination**

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \hat{\mu}_t)^2}{\sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \bar{Y})^2}.$$

Here, R^2 is the proportion of the variation in Y_t that the variables in $\hat{\mu}_t$ can explain.

- Generally, $R^2 \approx 1$ means that the $\hat{\mu}_t$ fits the data well.

- **Compute The Adjusted R^2 - Adjusted Coefficient of Determination**

$$\bar{R}^2 = 1 - (1 - R^2) \frac{n - 1}{n - p^* - 1},$$

where p^* is the number of covariates in the model (excluding the intercept).

- R^2 increases if we keep adding variables to the model.
- \bar{R}^2 at least accounts for the number of variables included in the model.



Recap of Tutorial 3

Residual Analysis

- **Plot The Residuals Over Time**

If $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ “behaves” like white noise, we should see a random scatter around 0.

- **Histogram of Residuals**

Empirically plot the distribution of $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$, to see if it follows the normal distribution.

- **Normal Q-Q Plot**

Another empirical check to see if $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is normally distributed.

- **Perform The Runs Test:**

H_0 : Elements of $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ are mutually independent

H_a : Not H_0 .

If we fail to reject H_0 , X_t are independent random variables.



Recap of Tutorial 3

Residual Analysis

- Compute the Sample Autocorrelation Function (ACF)

$$r_k = \widehat{Corr}(Y_t, Y_{t-k}) = \frac{\sum_{t=k+1}^n (Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t-k} - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \bar{Y})^2}.$$

This is a very useful quantity, **we will see this again later in the course!**

We can perform the following hypothesis test for each k with $\rho_k = Corr(Y_t, Y_{t-k})$:

$$H_0 : \rho_k = 0$$

$$H_a : \rho_k \neq 0.$$

If we fail to reject H_0 for each k , Y_t are independent random variables.

⇒ Useful for both $\{Y_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ and $\{X_t : t \in \mathcal{I}\}$.

- `acf()` in R plots r_k vs. k (a *correlogram*) and 95% confidence intervals under H_0 .



Examples

- See the R file `Tutorial3.R` where solutions are provided for Questions 3.5, 3.6, 3.11, and 3.12.



Random Walk Example in R

- Recall the *random walk* from Tutorial 1:

Let $Y_t = Y_{t-1} + e_t$, where $Y_0 = 0$, where $\{e_t : t \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a white noise process.

$$Y_1 = e_1$$

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Recall the

- mean function: $\mu_t = E(Y_t)$
- autocovariance function: $\gamma_{t,t-k} = \text{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-k})$
- autocorrelation function: $\rho_{t,t-k} = \text{Corr}(Y_t, Y_{t-k})$



Random Walk Example in R

For $k \geq 0$:

μ_t :

$$\mu_t = E(Y_t) = E\left(\sum_{u=1}^t e_u\right) = \sum_{u=1}^t E(e_u) = \sum_{u=1}^t 0 = 0$$

$\gamma_{t,t-k}$:

$$\gamma_{t,t} = \text{Var}(Y_t) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{u=1}^t e_u\right) = \sum_{u=1}^t \text{Var}(e_u) = \sum_{u=1}^t \sigma_e^2 = t\sigma_e^2$$

$$\gamma_{t,t-k} = \text{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t-k}) = \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{u=1}^t e_u, \sum_{v=1}^{t-k} e_v\right) = (t-k)\sigma_e^2$$

$\rho_{t,s}$:

$$\rho_{t,t-k} = \frac{\gamma_{t,t-k}}{\sqrt{\gamma_{t,t}} \times \sqrt{\gamma_{t-k,t-k}}} = \frac{(t-k)\sigma_e^2}{\sqrt{t\sigma_e^2} \times \sqrt{(t-k)\sigma_e^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{t-k}{t}}.$$



Random Walk Example in R

With the random walk, consider the following two questions:

- **Question:** Suppose we propose the following regression model

$$Y_t = \mu_t + e_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + e_t$$

$\Rightarrow E(Y_t) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t$. But we know that $E(Y_t) = 0$.

$\Rightarrow \beta_0 = \beta_1 = 0$.

If we use `lm()` in R, can we use

- (1) the reported estimates $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$?
- (2) the reported standard errors of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$?

\Rightarrow Let's conduct a *simulation study* in R to answer (1) and (2)!

- See `Tutorial4.R`



Office hour Tomorrow:

Tuesday, October 6, 7:00-8:00 PM (PT)

See Canvas for the Zoom link

Good luck on your midterm!

