

2. Consider the following MA model:

$$Y_t = e_t + 0.8e_{t-1} + 0.9e_{t-2}.$$

Suppose that the variance of the white noise process terms is  $\sigma_e^2 = 1$ .

(a) What is the order  $q$  of this model? Give the values of each its  $\theta$  parameters.

$$q = 2, \quad \theta_1 = -0.8, \quad \theta_2 = -0.9$$

(b). Using the results we have obtained in this week's video, give the values of the mean function, autocovariance function and autocorrelation function for this model. (Hint: Remember to include each possible case: all the different values that  $k$  might take on)

$$\text{mean: } E(Y_t) = E(e_t) + 0.8E(e_{t-1}) + 0.9E(e_{t-2}) = 0.$$

autocovariance:

$$\text{For } k=0: \sigma_e^2(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2) = (1 + 0.64 + 0.81) = 2.45.$$

$$k \pm 1: \sigma_e^2(-\theta_1 + \theta_1\theta_2) = (0.8 + 0.72) = 1.52$$

$$k \pm 2: \sigma_e^2(-\theta_2) = 0.9$$

otherwise: 0.

autocorrelation:

$$\rho_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } k=0 \Rightarrow 1 \\ (-\theta_1 + \theta_1\theta_2) / (1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2) & \text{for } k=1 \Rightarrow (0.8 + 0.72) / (1 + 0.64 + 0.81) \\ & = 1.52 / 2.45 = 0.6204 \\ -\theta_2 / (1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2) & \text{for } k=2 \Rightarrow 0.9 / (1 + 0.64 + 0.81) \\ & = 0.9 / 2.45 = 0.3673 \\ 0 & \text{for } k > 2. \end{cases}$$

(c) Sketch

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$Y_t$

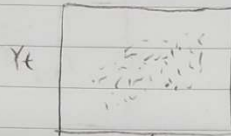
(ii)

$Y_t$

(iii)

(c) Sketch what you think each of the following plots might look like, and explain your reasoning for each:

(i)  $Y_t$  vs  $Y_{t-1}$



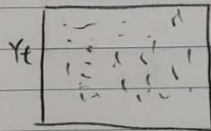
positive correlation because  
when  $k=1$ , autocorrelation is 0.6204

(ii)  $Y_t$  vs  $Y_{t-2}$



positive correlation but weaker, because when  $k=2$ ,  
autocorrelation is 0.3693

(iii)  $Y_t$  vs  $Y_{t-3}$



no correlation, because when  $k>2$ , autocorrelation  
is 0.