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# Time Series Analysis

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- This course covers Time Series models.
- We will use R/RStudio
- Assignments 3-4
- Two take-home exams

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The important point here is to have an *ordered variable like time* that there is a meaning of direction in its values. Then from a given observation, *past, present and future have a meaning*.



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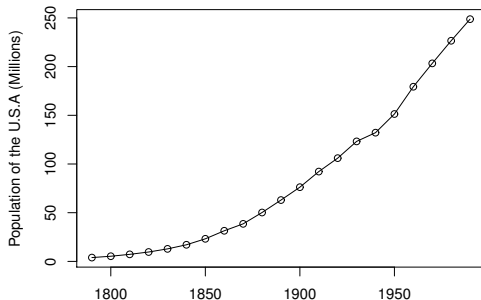
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- Missing data, outliers, breaks...

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## Example 1: U.S.A. population at ten year intervals from 1790-1990

- There is an upward trend
- There is a slight change in shape/structure
- Nonlinear behavior

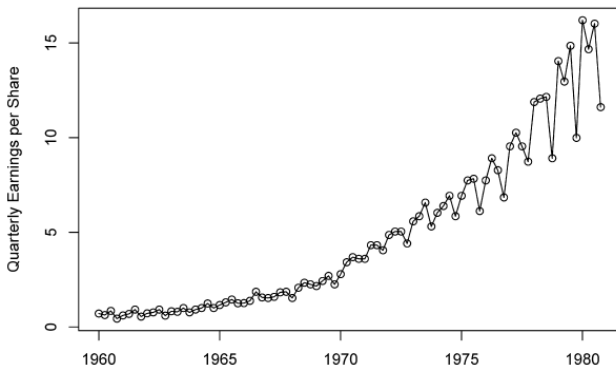


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## Example 2: Johnson & Johnson Quarterly Earnings

There are 84 quarters (21 years) measured from the 1st quarter of 1960 to the last quarter of 1980.

Note the gradually increasing underlying trend and the rather regular variation superimposed on the trend that seems to repeat over quarters.

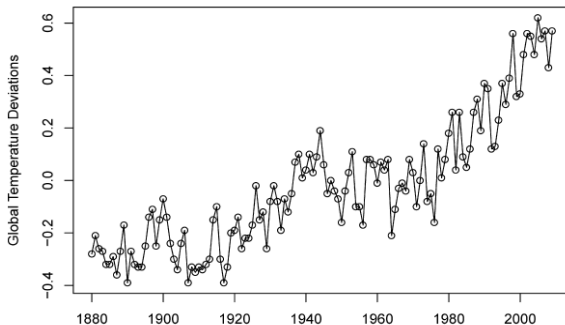




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## Example 3: Global Warming

The data are the global mean land-ocean temperature index from 1880 to 2009. We note an *apparent upward trend* in the series during the latter part of the 20th century that has been used as an argument for the global warming hypothesis (whether the overall trend is natural or whether it is caused by some human-induced interface)

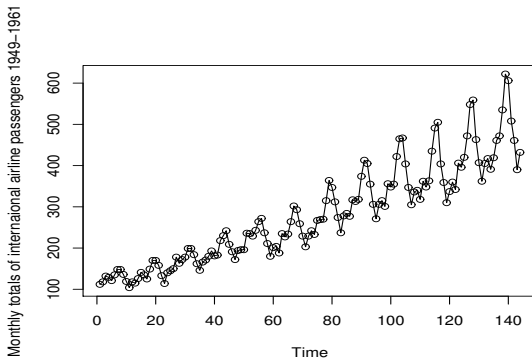


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## Example 4: Airline passengers from 1949-1961

Trend? Seasonality? Heteroskedasticity? ...

**Upward trend, seasonality on a 12 month interval, increasing variability**

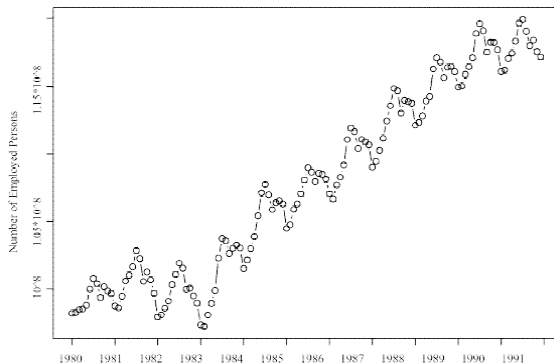


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## Example 5: Monthly Employed persons from 1980-1991

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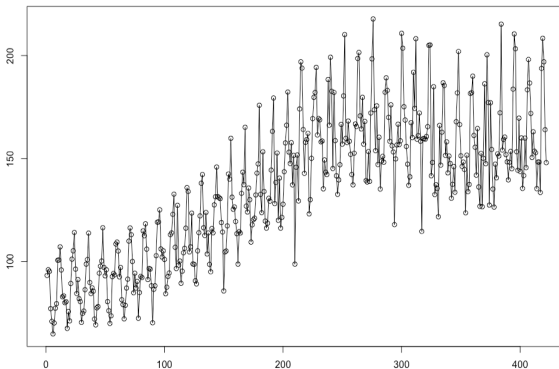
**Upward trend, seasonality with a structural break**



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## Example 6: Monthly Beer Production in Australia

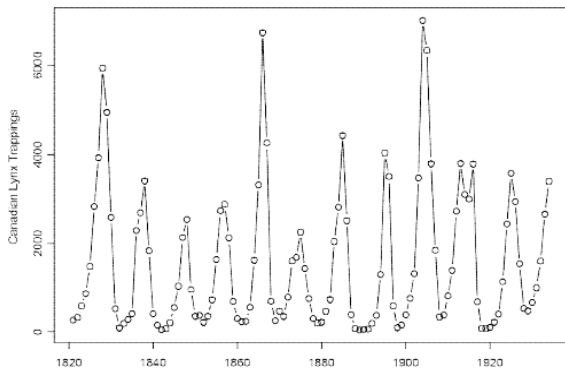
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## Example 7: Annual number of Canadian Lynx trapped near McKenzie River

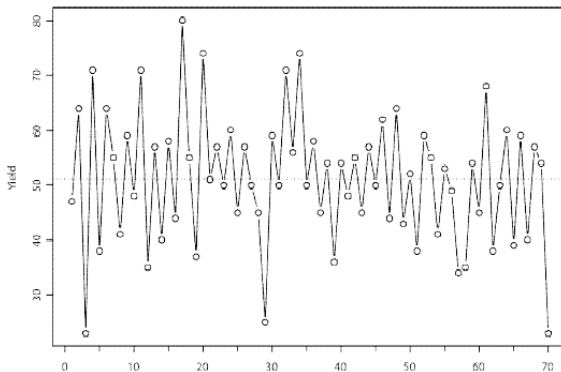
Trend? Seasonality? Heteroskedasticity? breaks?... **no trend, no clear seasonality as it does correspond to a known period, periodicity**



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## Example 8: Yield from a controlled chemical batch process

Trend? Seasonality? Heteroskedasticity? breaks?... **Negative dependence: successive observations tend to lie on opposite sides of the mean.**



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No obvious seasonality or trend. Hard to make a long range prediction. Positive  
Dependence: successive observations tend to lie on the same side of the mean.



## Remarks

The issue of distinguishing between dependence and trend is difficult: There is no unique decomposition of a series into trend and dependence behaviors.

The issue that tampers this question: we have only one realization. If we had many realizations, we might be able to average to determine trend.

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- Produce a compact description of the data (a good model can be used for "data compression")

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- R.V. are usually **not** identically distributed

The first goal in time series modeling **is to reduce the analysis needed to a simpler case**: Eliminate Trend, Seasonality, and heteroskedasticity then we model the remainder as dependent but Identically distributed

## The probabilistic model

A complete probabilistic model/description of a time series  $X_t$  observed as a collection of  $n$  random variables at times  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$  for any positive integer  $n$  is provided by the joint probability distribution,

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- Thus, we look for other statistical tools  $\Rightarrow$  quantifying dependencies

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## Recall the basic concepts

$X$  and  $Y$  are r.v.'s with finite variance

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E((X - E(X))(Y - E(Y)))$$

and correlation

$$\text{corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{S_X S_Y}$$

- r.v.'s with zero correlation are uncorrelated
- Uncorrelated does not imply Independence
- Linear combination?

# Some properties of Expectation and Variances/Covariances

$X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $W$ , and  $Z$  are r.v.'s

- $\text{Cov}(Y,Z) = E(YZ) - E(Y)E(Z)$
- $\text{Var}(X) = \text{Cov}(X,X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$
- $\text{Var}(a+bX) = b^2 \text{Var}(X)$
- $\text{Cov}(aX+bY,cZ+dW) = ac \text{Cov}(X,Z) + ad \text{Cov}(X,W) + bc \text{Cov}(Y,Z) + bd \text{Cov}(Y,W)$
- $E(\sum X_i) = \sum E(X_i)$

We will make use of these rules a lot! Remember them :)

# Introduction

A time series model for the observed data  $x_t$

- The mean function  $\mu_X = E(X_t)$

- The Covariance function

$$\gamma_X(r, s) = E((X_r - \mu_X(r))(X_s - \mu_X(s))) \text{ for all integers } r \text{ and } s$$

The focus will be to determine the mean function and the Covariance function to define the time series model.

# Some zero-Mean Models

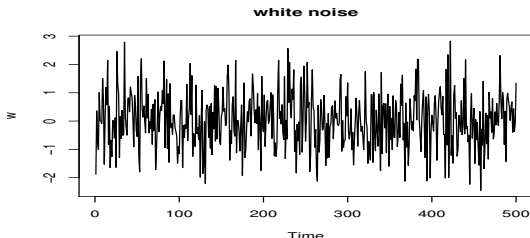
## iid Noise

The simplest model for a times series: no trend or seasonal component and in which the observations are IID with zero mean.

- We can write, for any integer  $n$  and real numbers  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ ,

$$P(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n) = P(X_1 \leq x_1) \dots P(X_n \leq x_n)$$

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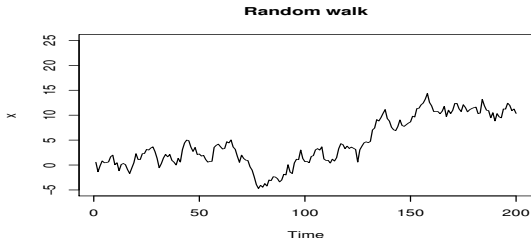
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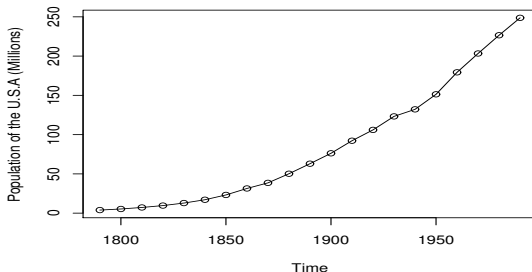
The random walk  $\{S_t\}$ ,  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  is obtained by cumulatively summing iid random variables,  $S_0 = 0$

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$m_t$  can be estimated using a least squares regression procedure (quadratic regression)

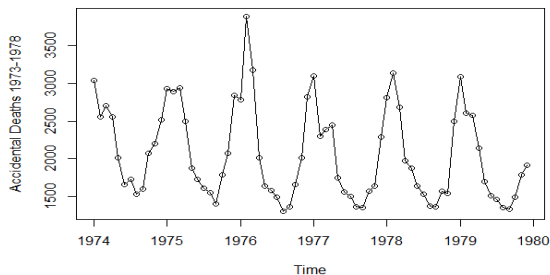
The estimated trend component  $\hat{m}_t$  provides a natural predictor of future values of  $X_t$

$$\hat{X}_t = \hat{m}_t + Y_t$$

Example with R



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# Time series Modeling

- Plot the series => examine the main characteristics (trend, seasonality, ...)
- Remove the trend and seasonal components to get **stationary** residuals/models
- Choose a model to fit the residuals using sample statistics (sample autocorrelation function)
- Forecasting will be given by forecasting the residuals to arrive at forecasts of the original series  $X_t$

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$$\gamma_X(h) = \text{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t)$$

The **autocorrelation function (ACF)** of  $X_t$  at lag  $h$  is

$$\rho_X(h) = \frac{\gamma_X(h)}{\gamma_X(0)} = \text{Cor}(X_{t+h}, X_t)$$

# Stationary and Autocorrelation function

## iid Noise

If  $X_t$  is iid noise and  $E(X_t^2) = \sigma^2 < \infty$ , then The process  $X_t$  is strictly stationary since the joint distribution can be written, for any integer  $n$  and real numbers  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ , as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 \leq c_1, \dots, X_n \leq c_n) &= P(X_1 \leq c_1) \dots P(X_n \leq c_n) \\ &= F(c_1) \dots F(c_n) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n F(c_i) \end{aligned}$$

This does not depend on  $t$ .  $X_t \sim IID(0, \sigma^2)$

The autocovariance function

$$\gamma_X(t+h, h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2, & \text{if } h = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

# Stationary and Autocorrelation function

## White Noise

If  $X_t$  is a sequence of uncorrelated random variables, each with zero mean and variance  $\sigma^2$ , then clearly  $X_t$  is stationary with the same autocovariance function as the iid noise. We can write

$$X_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$

Clearly, every  $IID(0, \sigma^2)$  sequence is  $WN(0, \sigma^2)$  but not conversely



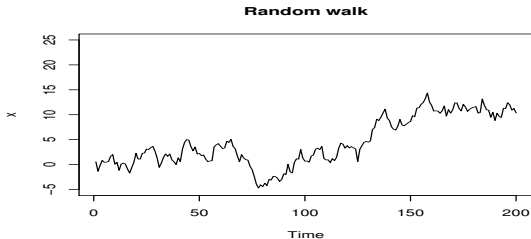
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## First-Order Moving Average or MA(1) Process

Consider the series defined by the equation

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta Z_{t-1}, \quad t = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

where  $Z_t$  is  $WN(0, \sigma^2)$  noise and  $\theta$  is a real-valued constant.

- $E(X_t)$ ?
- $\gamma_X(t+h, h)$ ?

# Stationary and Autocorrelation function

## First-Order AutoRegressive AR(1) Process

Let us assume now that  $X_t$  is a stationary series satisfying the equation

$$X_t = \Phi X_{t-1} + Z_t, \quad t = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

where  $Z_t$  is  $WN(0, \sigma^2)$  noise,  $|\Phi| < 1$ , and  $Z_t$  is uncorrelated with  $X_s$  for each  $s < t$ .

- $E(X_t)$ ?
- $\gamma_X(t+h, h)$ ?

# The Sample Autocorrelation function

In practical problems, we do not start with a model, but with observed data  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . **To assess the degree of dependence** in the data and to **select a model** for the data, one of the important tools we use is the sample autocorrelation function (Sample ACF).

## Definition

Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be observations of a time series. The sample mean of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  is

$$\bar{x} = 1/n \sum_{t=1}^n x_t$$

The sample autocovariance function is

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) := 1/n \sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} (x_{t+|h|} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x}), \quad -n < h < n$$

The sample autocorrelation function is

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\hat{\gamma}(h)}{\hat{\gamma}(0)}$$

# The Sample Autocorrelation function

## Remarks

- 1 The sample autocorrelation function (ACF) can be computed for any data set and is not restricted to observations from a stationary time series.
- 2 For data containing a **Trend**,  $|\hat{\rho}(h)|$  will display slow decay as  $h$  increases.
- 3 For data containing a substantial deterministic periodic component,  $|\hat{\rho}(h)|$  will exhibit similar behavior with the same periodicity.

# The Sample Autocorrelation function

We may recognize the sample autocorrelation function of many time series:

## Remarks

- 1 White Noise  $\Rightarrow$  Zero
- 2 Trend  $\Rightarrow$  Slow decay
- 3 Periodic  $\Rightarrow$  Periodic
- 4 Moving Average ( $q$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Zero for  $|h| > q$
- 5 AutoRegression ( $p$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Decay to zero exponentially

# The Sample Autocorrelation function

Examples with R

# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

The first step in the analysis of any time series is to plot the data. Inspection of the graph may suggest the possibility of representing the data as follows (the classical decomposition):

$$X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t$$

where

- $m_t$  is the trend component
- $s_t$  is the seasonal component
- $Y_t$  random noise component / Residuals

if seasonal and noise fluctuations appear to increase with the level of the process  $\Rightarrow$  Eliminate by using a preliminary transformation of the data (natural log,...).



# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

## Approaches

- 1 Estimate and eliminate the trend and the seasonal components in the hope that the residual  $Y_t$  will turn out to be a stationary time series => Find a Model using stationary process theory.
- 2 Box and Jenkins (1976) proposed to apply differencing operators to the series until the differenced observations resemble a realization of some stationary time series.

# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

## Trend Estimation

Moving average and spectral smoothing are an essentially nonparametric methods for trend (or signal) estimation

$$X_t = m_t + Y_t, \quad E(Y_t) = 0$$

- 1 Smoothing with a finite moving average filter
- 2 Exponential smoothing
- 3 Smoothing by eliminating the high-frequency components (Fourier series)
- 4 Polynomial fitting (Regression)

# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

## Trend Estimation: Smoothing Moving Average

Let  $q$  be a nonnegative integer and consider the two-sided moving average

$$W_t = \frac{\sum_{j=-q}^q X_{t-j}}{2q+1}$$

It is useful to think about  $\hat{m}_t$  as a process obtained from  $X_t$  by application of a linear operator or linear filter  $\hat{m}_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} a_j X_{t-j}$  with weights  $a_j = \frac{1}{2q+1}$ . This particular filter is a low-pass filter in the sense that it takes the data and removes from it the rapidly fluctuating (high frequency) components  $\hat{Y}_t$  to leave slowly varying estimated trend term  $\hat{m}_t$ .

With R (`smooth.ma{itsmr}`)

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## Trend Estimation: Exponential Smoothing

For any fixed  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , the one-sided moving averages  $\hat{m}_t$  defined by:

$$\hat{m}_t = \alpha X_t + (1 - \alpha)\hat{m}_{t-1}; t = 2, \dots, n$$

and  $\hat{m}_1 = X_1$

With R (`smooth.exp{itsmr}`)

# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

## Trend Estimation: Smoothing by eliminating of high frequency

Using Fourier Transform we can delete some high frequency.

With R (`smooth.fft{itsmr}`)

## Trend Estimation: Polynomial fitting

Using regression procedures

R function (we can use `lm{stats}` or `trend{itsmr}`)

# Nonseasonal Model With Trend: Estimation

## Remark: Smoothing Moving Average

- There are many filters that could be used for smoothing!
- Large  $q$  will allow linear trend function  $m_t = c_0 + c_1 t$  to pass
- We must be aware of choosing  $q$  to be too large if  $m_t$  is not linear (Example with R)
- Clever choice of the weights  $a_j$  can design a filter that will not only be effective in attenuating noise in the data, but that will also allow a larger class of trend functions (for example all polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$ ) to pass.
- Spencer 15-point moving average is a filter that passes polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$  without distortion. Its weights are:  
 $1/320[-3, -6, -5, 3, 21, 46, 67, 74, 67, 46, 21, 3, -5, -6, -3]$

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## Trend Elimination: Differencing

Instead of attempting to remove the noise by smoothing as in Method 1, we now attempt to eliminate the trend term by differencing. We define the lag-1 difference operator  $\nabla$  by:

$$\nabla X_t = X_t - X_{t-1} = (1 - B)X_t$$

where  $B$  is the backward shift operator :  $BX_t = X_{t-1}$

With R (`diff{base}`)

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## Trend Elimination: Differencing

Powers of the operators  $B$  and  $\nabla$  are defined as follows:

$$\nabla^j(X_t) = \nabla(\nabla^{j-1}(X_t))$$

where  $j \geq 1$ ,  $\nabla^0(X_t) = X_t$  and

$$B^j(X_t) = X_{t-j}$$

Example:  $\nabla^2 X_t$ ?

If the operator  $\nabla$  is applied to a linear trend function  $m_t = c_0 + c_1 t$ , then we obtain the constant function  $\nabla m_t = m_t - m_{t-1} = c_1$ . In the same way we can show any polynomial trend of degree  $k$  can be reduced to a constant by application of the operator  $\nabla^k$ .

**It is found in practice that the order  $k$  of differencing required is quite small; frequently 1 or 2.**



# Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components

## Both Trend and Seasonal

The classical Decomposition model

$$X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t$$

where  $E(Y_t) = 0$ ,  $s_{t+d} = s_t$ , and  $\sum_{j=1}^d s_j = 0$

$d$  is the period of the seasonal component.

The methods described previously (for the trend) can be adapted in a natural way to eliminate both the trend and seasonality components.

## Estimation: Both Trend and Seasonal [Method 1]

Suppose we have observations  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

- 1 The trend is first estimated by applying a moving average filter specially to eliminate the seasonal component of period  $d$ 
  - if the period is even, say  $d=2q$  then
$$\hat{m}_t = (0.5x_{t-q} + x_{t-q+1}, \dots, 0.5x_{t+q})/d \quad q < t \leq n - q$$
  - if the period is odd, say  $d=2q+1$  then we use the simple moving average
- 2 Estimate the seasonal component; for each  $k=1, \dots, d$ , we compute the average  $w_k$  of the deviation  $x_{k+jd} - \hat{m}_{k+jd}$ ,  $q < k + jd \leq n - q$ ; and we estimate the seasonal component as follows:

$$\hat{s}_k = w_k - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d w_i}{d}; \quad k = 1, \dots, d$$

$$\text{and } \hat{s}_k = \hat{s}_{k-d}; \quad k > d$$

- 3 The *deseasonalized* data is then  $d_t = x_t - \hat{s}_t$   $t=1, \dots, n$
- 4 Reestimate the trend from the *deseasonalized* data using one of the methods already described.

## Eliminating: Both Trend and Seasonal [Method 2]

We can use the Differencing operator to eliminate the trend and the seasonal component

- 1 Eliminate the seasonality of period  $d$  using  $\nabla_d X_t = X_t - X_{t-d}$   
 $X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t$  Applying  $\nabla_d X_t = m_t - m_{t-d} + Y_t - Y_{t-d}$
- 2 Eliminate the trend  $m_t - m_{t-d}$  using  $\nabla^k X_t$

# Testing Noise sequence

## IID Null Hypothesis

- 1  $Q_{LB}$  Ljung-Box Test ( $H_0$  : data are Independent vs.  $H_1$  : data are not independent)
- 2  $Q_{ML}$  McLeod- Li Test (autocorrelations of squared data)
- 3 Turning point Test (IID vs. not IID)
- 4 The difference-sign Test (randomness)
- 5 The rank Test (detecting a linear trend)

Remember that as you increase the number of tests, the probability of at least one rejects the null hypothesis when it is true increases.

## Trend and Seasonality

- Estimation and Elimination of Trend and Seasonal Components
  - ① Smoothing methods
  - ② Differencing Operator  $\nabla$
  - ③ Properties of the operator  $\nabla$
  - ④ Procedure to estimate Both Trend and Seasonality (with R)
- Testing Noise sequence (test(residuals) with R)

# Stationary Processes

## Remarks

- 1 A key role in time series analysis is given by processes whose properties **do not vary with time**.
- 2 If we wish to make predictions then clearly we must assume that *something* does not vary with time
- 3 In time series analysis, our goal is to predict a series that contains a random component, if this random component is stationary (*weakly*) then we can develop powerful techniques to forecast its future values.

# Stationary Processes

## Basic Properties

- 1 The autocovariance function (ACVF)  
 $\gamma(h) = \text{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t), \quad h = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
- 2 The autocorrelation function (ACF)  $\rho(h) = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)}$
- 3  $\gamma(0) \geq 0$
- 4  $|\gamma(h)| \leq \gamma(0)$ , for all  $h$  ( $\rho(h) \leq 1$ ) or (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality  
 $E(XY)^2 \leq E(X^2)E(Y^2)$ )
- 5  $\gamma(h) = \gamma(-h)$

# Stationary Processes

## Prediction

The ACF and ACVF provide a useful measure of **the degree of dependence** among the values of a time series at different times => Very important if we consider the prediction of future values of the series in terms of the past and present values.



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## Question

What is the role of the autocorrelation function in prediction?

# Stationary Processes

## The role of autocorrelation in prediction

- Consider  $X_t$  a stationary Gaussian time series (all of its joint distributions are Multivariate Normal)
- We observed  $X_n$  and we would like to find the function of  $X_n$  that gives us *the best predictor* of  $X_{n+h}$  (the value of the series after  $h$  time units).
- **The best predictor** will be given by the function of  $X_n$  that minimizes the mean squared error (MSE).

## Question

What is function of  $X_n$  that gives us the best predictor of  $X_{n+h}$ ?

## Answer

The best predictor of  $X_{n+h}$  in terms of MSE is given by

$$E(X_{n+h}|X_n) = \mu + \rho(h)(X_n - \mu)$$

# Stationary Processes

## The role of autocorrelation in prediction

For time series with non-normal joint distributions the calculation are in general more complicated  $\Rightarrow$  we look at **the best linear predictor** ( $I(X_n) = aX_n + b$ ), then our problem becomes finding  $a$  and  $b$  that minimize  $E((X_{n+h} - aX_n - b)^2)$ .

## Answer

The best linear predictor of  $I(X_n)$  in terms of MSE is given by

$$I(X_n) = \mu + \rho(h)(X_n - \mu)$$

The fact that the best linear predictor depends only on the mean and the ACF of the series  $X_t$  means that it can be calculated without more detailed knowledge of the series  $X_t$

# Stationary Processes: Examples

## The MA(q) process

$X_t$  is a moving-average process of order  $q$  if

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$$

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_q$  are constants.

## Remarks

- If  $X_t$  is a stationary  $q$ -correlated time series with mean 0, then it can be represented as the MA( $q$ ) process

# Stationary Processes: Examples

## The ARMA(1,1) process

The time series  $X_t$  is an ARMA(1,1) process if it is stationary and satisfies (for every  $t$ )

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

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The MA(q) process

The simplest way to construct a time series that is strictly stationary is to "filter" an iid sequence of random variables. Consider  $Z_t \sim IID$ , we define:

$$X_t = g(Z_t, Z_{t-1}, \dots, Z_{t-q})$$

for some real-valued function  $g(\cdot, \dots, \cdot)$ . We can say that  $X_t$  is **q-dependent**.

## Remarks

- IID is 0-dependent
- WN is 0-correlated
- A stationary time series is q-correlated if  $\gamma(h) = 0$  whenever  $|h| > q$
- MA(1) is 1-correlated
- MA(q) is q-correlated

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The MA(q) process

$X_t$  is a **moving-average process** of order  $q$  if

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$$

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_q$  are constants.

If  $X_t$  is a stationary  $q$ -correlated time series with mean 0, then it can be represented as the MA( $q$ ) process given by the equation above.

# Stationary Processes: Properties

The class of Linear time series models, which includes the class of Autoregressive Moving-Average (ARMA) models, provides a general framework for studying stationary processes.

## Linear processes

The time series  $X_t$  is a **Linear process** if it has the representation:

$$X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} \quad (2)$$

for all  $t$ , where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\psi_j$  is a sequence of constants with  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$

- 1 The condition  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$  ensures the infinite sum in (2) converges
- 2 If  $\psi_j = 0$  for all  $j < 0$  then a linear process is called a moving average or  $MA(\infty)$



# Stationary Processes: Linear Process

## Proposition

Let  $Y_t$  be a stationary series with mean 0 and autocovariance function  $\gamma_y$ . If  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ , then the time series

$$X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j Y_{t-j} = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j B^j Y_t = \psi(B) Y_t \quad (3)$$

is stationary with mean zero and autocorrelation function  $\gamma_x(h)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \gamma_x(h) = \sum \sum \psi_j \psi_k \gamma_y(h - k + j)$$

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The AR(1) process

The time series  $X_t$  is an AR(1) process was found to be stationary:

$$X_t - \Phi X_{t-1} = Z_t + \theta Z_{t-1} \quad (4)$$

if  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $|\Phi| < 1$ , and  $Z_t$  is uncorrelated with  $X_s$  for each  $s \leq t$

- 1  $X_t$  is called a causal or future-independent function of  $Z_t$ .
- 2 If  $|\Phi| > 1$  (the series does not converge, we can rewrite then AR(1))
- 3 If  $\Phi = \pm 1$ , there is no stationary solution of (4)

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The ARMA(1,1) process

The time series  $X_t$  is an ARMA(1,1) process if it is stationary and satisfies (for every  $t$ )

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

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\theta + \phi \neq 0$

- 1 A stationary the ARMA(1,1) exists if and only if  $\phi \neq \pm 1$
- 2 If  $|\phi| < 1$ , then the unique stationary solution is  $X_t = Z_t + (\theta + \phi) \sum \phi^{j-1} Z_{t-j}$ . This  $X_t$  is **causal**, since  $X_t$  can be expressed in terms of the current and past values of  $Z_s$ ,  $s \leq t$
- 3 If  $|\phi| > 1$ , then the unique stationary solution is  $X_t = -\theta\psi^{-1}Z_t + (\theta + \phi) \sum \phi^{-j-1}Z_{t+j}$ . This  $X_t$  is **noncausal**, since  $X_t$  can be expressed in terms of the current and future values of  $Z_s$ ,  $s \geq t$ . (unnatural solution)

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The ARMA(1,1) process

The time series  $X_t$  is an ARMA(1,1) process if it is stationary and satisfies (for every  $t$ )

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

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\theta + \Phi \neq 0$

- 1 if  $\theta = \pm 1$ , then ARMA(1,1) process is invertible in the more general sense that  $Z_t$  is a mean square limit of finite linear combinations of  $X_s$ ,  $s \leq t$ .
- 2 If  $|\theta| < 1$ , then the ARMA(1,1) is **invertible**, since  $Z_t$  can be expressed in terms of the current and past values of  $X_s$ ,  $s \leq t$
- 3 If  $|\theta| > 1$ , then the ARMA(1,1) is **noninvertible**, since  $Z_t$  can be expressed in terms of the current and future values of  $X_s$ ,  $s \geq t$ .

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The Sample Mean and Autocorrelation Function

A weakly stationary time series  $X_t$  is characterized by its mean  $\mu$ , its autocovariance  $\gamma(\cdot)$ , and its autocorrelation  $\rho(\cdot)$ . The estimation of these statistics play a crucial role in problems of inference  $\Rightarrow$  constructing an appropriate model for the data. We examine here some properties of the sample estimates  $\bar{X}$  and  $\hat{\rho}(\cdot)$ .

- 1  $E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu$
- 2  $Var(\bar{X}_n) = n^{-1} \sum_{h=-n}^n \left(1 - \frac{|h|}{n}\right) \gamma(h)$
- 3 If the time series is Gaussian, then  $(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sqrt{n} \sim N(0, (1 - \frac{|h|}{n})\gamma(h))$
- 4 The confidence Intervals for  $\mu$  are given  $\bar{X}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{\sqrt{\hat{v}}}{\sqrt{n}}$ , where  $\hat{v} = \sum_{|h| < \sqrt{n}} \left(1 - \frac{|h|}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \hat{\gamma}(h)$ . For ARMA processes, this is a good approximation of  $v$  for large  $n$ .

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The Sample Mean: Asymptotic distribution

If we know the asymptotic distribution of  $\bar{X}_n$ , we can use it to infer about  $\mu$  (e.g. is  $\mu=0$ ?). Similarly for  $\hat{\rho}(h)$

1

$$(\bar{X}_n - \mu)\sqrt{n} \sim AN(0, \sum_{|h| < n} (1 - \frac{|h|}{n})\gamma(h))$$

2

In this case, the confidence Intervals for  $\mu$  are given  $\bar{X}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{\sqrt{\hat{v}}}{\sqrt{n}}$ , where  $\hat{v} = \sum_{|h| < \sqrt{n}} (1 - \frac{|h|}{\sqrt{n}}) \hat{\gamma}(h)$ . For ARMA processes, this is a good approximation of  $v$  for large  $n$ .

## Example

What are the approximate 95% confidence intervals for the mean of AR(1)?  
"AN" means Asymptotically Normal

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The Estimation of $\gamma(\cdot)$ and $\rho(\cdot)$

The sample autocovariance and autocorrelation functions are defined by:

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} (X_{t+|h|} - \bar{X}_n)(X_t - \bar{X}_n)}{n}$$

and

$$\hat{\rho}(h) = \frac{\hat{\gamma}(h)}{\hat{\gamma}(0)}$$

- ❶ For  $h$  slightly smaller than  $n$ , the estimate of  $\gamma(h)$  and  $\rho(h)$  are unreliable. Since there few pairs  $(X_{t+h}, X_t)$  available (only one if  $h=n-1$ ).  
**A practical guide is to have at least  $n=50$  and  $h \leq n/4$**

# Stationary Processes: Properties

## The Estimation of $\gamma(\cdot)$ and $\rho(\cdot)$ : Asymptotic distribution

The sampling distribution of  $\rho(\cdot)$  can usually be approximated by a normal distribution for large sample sizes. For Linear Models (ARMA):

$$\hat{\rho} = (\hat{\rho}(1), \dots, \hat{\rho}(k))' \sim AN(\rho, \frac{W}{n})$$

where  $\rho = (\rho(1), \dots, \rho(k))$ , and  $W$  is the covariance matrix whose  $(i, j)$  element is given by **Bartlett's formula**:

$$w_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{\rho(k+i) + \rho(k-i) - 2\rho(i)\rho(k)\} \times \{\rho(k+j) + \rho(k-j) - 2\rho(j)\rho(k)\}$$

### 1 IID Noise?



# Stationary Processes: Properties ACF

## The sample ACF Examination - Results

- If  $|\hat{\rho}(h)| < \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}}$ , for all  $h \geq 1$ , then assume  $MA(0)$ , WN sequence.
- If  $|\hat{\rho}(1)| > \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}}$ , then we should look at the rest  $\hat{\rho}(h)$  with  $\pm \frac{1.96\sqrt{1+2\rho^2(1)}}{\sqrt{n}}$ ; we can replace  $\rho(1)$  by its estimate (you can also remark that  $2\hat{\rho}^2(1)/n \sim 0$ , for large  $n$ ).
- In general, if  $|\hat{\rho}(h_0)| > \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}}$  and  $|\hat{\rho}(h)| < \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}}$ , for  $h \geq h_0$ , then assume  $MA(q)$  model with  $q = h_0$ .

# Stationary Processes: Forecasting

## Forecasting $P_n X_{n+h}$

Now we consider the problem of predicting the values  $X_{n+h}$ ;  $h > 0$ . Let's assume  $X_t$  is a stationary time series with  $\mu$  and  $\gamma$ .

*The goal is to find the linear combination of  $1, X_n, \dots, X_1$  that minimizes the mean squared error. We will denote*

$$P_n X_{n+h} = a_0 + a_1 X_n + \dots + a_n X_1$$

It remains to find the coefficients  $a_i$  that minimizes:

$$E((X_{n+h} - a_0 - a_1 X_n - \dots - a_n X_1)^2)$$

# Stationary Processes: Forecasting

## Forecasting $P_n X_{n+h}$

We can show that  $P_n X_{n+h}$  is given by:

$$P_n X_{n+h} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i (X_{n+1-i} - \mu)$$

and

$$E((X_{n+h} - P_n X_{n+h})^2) = \gamma(0) - \mathbf{a}_n' \boldsymbol{\gamma}_n(h)$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_n$  satisfies

$$\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \boldsymbol{\gamma}_n(h)$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{a}_n = (a_1, \dots, a_n)', \Gamma_n = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \dots & \gamma(n-1) \\ \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \dots & \gamma(n-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma(n-1) & \gamma(n-2) & \dots & \gamma(0) \end{bmatrix};$$

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}_n(h) = (\gamma(h), \gamma(h+1), \dots, \gamma(h+n-1))'; \text{ and } a_0 = \mu(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i)$$

# Stationary Processes: Forecasting

## Prediction Algorithms

The following prediction algorithms use the idea of one-step predictor  $P_n X_{n+1}$  based on  $n$  previous observations would be used to calculate  $P_{n+1} X_{n+2}$ . This said to be recursive.

- 1 The Durbin-Levinson Algorithm (well suited to forecasting  $AR(p)$ )
- 2 The Innovations Algorithm (well suited to forecasting  $MA(q)$ )

# ARMA(p,q) models

## ARMA(p, q) process

$X_t$  is an ARMA(p, q) process if  $X_t$  is stationary and if for every  $t$ ,

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

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and the polynomials  $(1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p)$  and  $(1 + \theta_1 z + \cdots + \theta_q z^q)$  have no common factors.

The process  $X_t$  is said to be an ARMA(p,q) process with mean  $\mu$  if  $X_t - \mu$  is an ARMA(p,q) process.

# ARMA Models

We can write:

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

where  $\phi(\cdot)$  and  $\theta(\cdot)$  are the  $p$ th and  $q$ th degree polynomials:

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

and

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

and  $B$  is the backward shift operator  $B^j X_t = X_{t-j}$ ,  $j = 0, \pm 1, \dots$

# ARMA models

## ARMA(1, 1) process

$X_t$  is an ARMA(1, 1) process if  $X_t$  is stationary and if for every  $t$ ,

$$X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1}$$

where  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$

Lecture notes on ARMA(1,1).

# ARMA models

## ARMA( $p, q$ ) process: Existence, Causality, and Invertibility

- A stationary solution (existence, uniqueness)  $X_t$  exists if and only if:

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } |z| = 1$$

- An ARMA( $p, q$ ) process  $X_t$  is **causal** if there exist constant  $\psi_j$  such that  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$  and  $X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}$ , for all  $t$ . Causality is equivalent to the condition:

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } |z| \leq 1$$

- An ARMA( $p, q$ ) process  $X_t$  is **invertible** if there exist constant  $\pi_j$  such that  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\pi_j| < \infty$  and  $Z_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j X_{t-j}$ , for all  $t$ . Invertibility is equivalent to the condition:

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \cdots + \theta_q z^q \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } |z| \leq 1$$

More details can be found in Section 3.1, Chapter 3. Similar to ARMA(1,1).



# ARMA models

## ARMA( $p, q$ ) process: Autocorrelation Function (ACF)

The autocorrelation function (ACF) of the causal ARMA( $p, q$ ) process  $X_t$  can be found using the fact that  $X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}$  (causal MA( $\infty$ ) process) and

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_{j+|h|}$$

Find the ACF of ARMA(1,1), using the fact that

$$\psi_0 = 1; \psi_j = (\phi + \theta)\phi^{j-1}, \quad j \geq 1$$

# ARMA models

ARMA(1, 1) process: Autocorrelation Function (ACF)

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_X(0) &= \frac{(1 + \phi)^2}{1 - \phi^2} \sigma^2 \\ \gamma_X(1) &= \frac{(\theta + \phi)(1 + \phi\theta)}{1 - \phi^2} \sigma^2 \\ \gamma_X(h) &= \phi^{h-1} \gamma_X(1)\end{aligned}$$

Section 3.2.1 has details about the calculation of the ACVF.

# ARMA models

## Definition: Partial Autocorrelation Function (PACF)

The partial autocorrelation function (PACF) of ARMA process  $X_t$  is the function  $\alpha(\cdot)$  defined by

$$\alpha(0) = 1$$

and

$$\alpha(h) = \phi_{hh}, \quad h \geq 1$$

where  $\phi_{hh}$  is the last component of  $\phi_h = \Gamma_h^{-1} \gamma_h$

Think about it as a conditional correlation  $\text{Cor}(X_t, X_{t+h} \mid X_{t+1}, \dots, X_{t+h-1})$

# Modeling ARMA models

## Practical facts about PACF and ACF

- The **PACF** is often best used to identify the **AR(p) models**
- For AR(p) models, the theoretical PACF are equal to zero after  $h = p$
- The **MA(q)** models are better identified using **ACF**.

Examples with R

# Modeling ARMA models (Chapter 5)

To determine an appropriate ARMA( $p,q$ ) model to represent an observed stationary process, we need to:

- Choose the orders  $p$  and  $q$  (order selection)
- Estimate the mean
- Estimate the coefficients  $\{\phi_i, i = 1, \dots, p\}$  and  $\{\theta_i, i = 1, \dots, q\}$
- Estimate the white noise variance  $\sigma^2$
- Select a model

# Modeling ARMA models (Chapter 5)

To determine an appropriate ARMA( $p,q$ ) model to represent an observed stationary process, we need to:

- Choose the orders  $p$  and  $q$  (order selection) Use ACF and PACF plots.
- Estimate the mean Use the mean-corrected process  $X_t - \bar{X}_n$ .
- Estimate the coefficients  $\{\phi_i, i = 1, \dots, p\}$  and  $\{\theta_i, i = 1, \dots, q\}$
- Estimate the white noise variance  $\sigma^2$
- Select a model

# Modeling ARMA models (Chapter 5)

When  $p$  and  $q$  are **known** and the time series is **mean-corrected**, good estimators of vectors  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  can be found by fitting the data to a stationary Gaussian time series and **maximizing the likelihood** with respect to the  $p + q + 1$  parameters ( $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_q$  and  $\sigma^2$ ). We can estimate these parameters using:

- The Yule-Walker and Burg procedures for pure autoregressive models  $AR(p)$  (*yw{itsmr}*, *burg{itsmr}*)
- The Innovations and Hannan-Rissanen procedures for  $ARMA(p,q)$  (*ia{itsmr}*, *hannan{itsmr}*)

# Modeling ARMA models (Chapter 5)

## Properties

- The Burg's algorithm usually gives higher likelihoods than the Yule-Walker equations for AR(p)
- For pure MA processes, the Innovations algorithm usually gives higher likelihoods than the Hannan-Rissanen procedure
- For ARMA models, the Hannan-Rissanen is more successful in finding causal models

These preliminary estimations are required for initialization of the likelihood maximization.



# Modeling ARMA models (Chapter 5)

## Yule-Walker Estimation

The Sample Yule-Walker equations are:

$$\hat{\phi} = (\hat{\phi}_1, \dots, \hat{\phi}_p)' = \hat{R}_p^{-1} \hat{\rho}_p$$

and

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \hat{\gamma}(0) \left[ 1 - \hat{\rho}_p' \hat{R}_p^{-1} \hat{\rho}_p \right]$$

where  $\hat{\rho}_p = (\hat{\rho}(1), \dots, \hat{\rho}(p))'$

- Large-Sample Distribution of  $\hat{\phi} \sim N(\phi, \frac{\sigma^2 \Gamma_p^{-1}}{n})$
- Confidence intervals of  $\phi_{pj}$  are  $\hat{\phi}_{pj} \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2 \hat{\Gamma}_p^{-1}}{n}}$

# Estimation ARMA models (Chapter 5)

We can use the Innovations algorithm in order to estimate parameters of MA(q). The Confidence regions of the coefficients:

## MA(q) Estimation

- Confidence intervals of  $\theta_j$  are  $\hat{\theta}_{mj} \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \hat{\theta}_{mi}^2}{n}}$

# Estimation ARMA Models (Chapter 5)

Suppose  $X_t$  is a Gaussian time series with mean zero

Maximum Likelihood Estimators (Section 5.2 from the Textbook)

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{S(\hat{\phi}, \hat{\theta})}{n}$$

where  $S(\hat{\phi}, \hat{\theta}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(x_j - \hat{x}_j)^2}{r_{j-1}}$ ,

and  $\hat{\phi}, \hat{\theta}$  are the values of  $\phi, \theta$  that minimize:

$$l(\phi, \theta) = \ln n^{-1} S(\phi, \theta) + n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \ln r_{j-1}$$

Minimization of  $l(\phi, \theta)$  must be done numerically. Initial values for  $\phi, \theta$  can be obtained from preliminary estimation algorithms (Yule-walker, Burg, Innovations, and Hannan).

## Order selection

The Akaike Information criterion bias-corrected (AICC) is defined as follows:

$$AICC := -2 \ln(L_X(\beta, S_X(\beta)/n) + \frac{2(p+q+1)n}{n-p-q-2}$$

It was designed to be an approximately unbiased estimate of the Kullback-Leibler index of the fitted model relative to the true model.

We select  $p$  and  $q$  values for our fitted model to be those that minimize  $AICC(\hat{\beta})$ .

# Modeling ARMA models

## Parameter Redundancy

Consider a white noise process  $X_t = Z_t$ . We can write this as

$$0.3X_{t-1} = 0.3Z_{t-1}$$

By subtracting the two representations we have:

$$X_t - 0.3X_{t-1} = Z_t - 0.3Z_{t-1}$$

which looks like an ARMA(1,1) model. Of course  $X_t$  is still white noise. We have this problem because of the parameter redundancy or over-parameterization.

We can solve this problem by looking at the common factors of the two polynomials  $\phi(B)$  and  $\theta(B)$ .

# Forecasting ARMA models

Given  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  observations, we want to predict  $X_{n+h}$ . We know that the best linear predictor is given by:

$$P_n X_{n+h} = \hat{X}_{n+h} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i (X_{n+i-1} - \mu)$$

where the vector  $a_n$  satisfies  $\Gamma_n a_n = \gamma_n(h)$ . The mean squared errors:

$$E(X_{n+h} - P_n X_{n+h})^2 = \gamma(0) - a_n' \gamma(h) = \gamma(0)(1 - a_n' \rho(h))$$

Use Durbin-Levinson and Innovations algorithms to solve these equations.

# Forecasting ARMA models

## Examples

- For AR(1):  $P_n X_{n+1} = \phi X_n$
- For AR(1) with nonzero-mean:  $P_n X_{n+h} = \mu + \phi^h (X_n - \mu)$
- For AR(p): if  $n > p$  then  $P_n X_{n+1} = \phi_1 X_n + \dots + \phi_p X_{n+1-p}$
- For MA(q):  $P_n X_{n+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{\min(n,q)} \theta_{nj} (X_{n+1-j} - \hat{X}_{n+1-j})$
- For ARMA(p,q): if  $n > m = \max(p, q)$  then for all  $h \geq 1$

$$P_n X_{n+h} = \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i P_n X_{n+h-i} + \sum_{j=h}^q \theta_{n+h-1,j} (X_{n+h-j} - \hat{X}_{n+h-j})$$

The calculations are performed automatically using *forecast{itsmr}* function into R

# ARIMA models

We have already seen the importance of the class of ARMA models for representing stationary time series. A generalization of this class, which includes a wide range of nonstationary series, is provided by the ARIMA (AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average) models.

## Definition

If  $d$  is a nonnegative integer, then  $X_t$  is an **ARIMA(p,d,q)** process if

$$Y_t := (1 - B)^d X_t$$

is a causal ARMA(p,q) process.

$B$  is the backward shift operator.

- *ARIMA processes reduce to ARMA processes when differenced finitely many times*
- *$X_t$  is stationary if and only if  $d = 0$*



# ARIMA models

The definition means that  $X_t$  satisfies a difference equation of the form:

$$\phi(B)(1 - B)^d X_t = \theta(B)Z_t, \quad Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$

The polynomial  $\phi^*(B) = \phi(B)(1 - B)^d$  has now a zero of order  $d$  at  $z = 1$ .

## Example

Consider  $X_t$  is an ARIMA(1,1,0) process of for  $\phi \in (-1, 1)$ ,

$$(1 - \phi B)(1 - B)X_t = Z_t, \quad Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$$

# ARIMA models

## ACF for ARIMA models

- A distinctive feature of the data that suggests the appropriateness of an ARIMA model is **the slowly decaying positive sample autocorrelation function**.
- In order to fit an ARIMA model to the data, we would apply the operator  $\nabla = 1 - B$  repeatedly in the hope of some  $j$ ,  $\nabla^j X_t$  will have a **rapidly decaying sample autocorrelation function**, that is compatible with that of an ARMA process with no zeros of the autoregressive polynomial near the unit circle.

Example with R with  $\phi = 0.8$ ,  $n=200$ , and  $\sigma^2 = 1$

## Modeling of ARIMA models

- Deviations (e.g. trend, seasonality, heteroskedasticity) from stationary may be suggested by the graph of the the series itself or by the sample autocorrelation function or both.
- We have seen how to handle the Trend and Seasonality components
- Logarithmic Transformation is appropriate whenever the series whose variance increases linearly with the mean. A general class of variance-stabilizing transformations is given by **Cox-Box transformation**  $f_\lambda$ :

$$f_\lambda(X_t) = \begin{cases} \lambda^{-1}(X_t^\lambda - 1), & X_t \geq 0, \lambda > 0 \\ \ln X_t, & X_t > 0, \lambda = 0 \end{cases}$$

- In practice,  $\lambda$  is often 0 or 0.5
- We can use `powerTransform{car}` to estimate  $\lambda$ .

Example with R using *wine* data

## Units Roots in Time Series

- The unit root problem arises when either the AR or MA polynomial of ARMA model has a root on or near to the unit circle.
- *A root near to 1 of the AR polynomial suggest that the data **should be differenced** before fitting an ARMA model*
- *A root near to 1 of the MA polynomial suggest that the data **were overdifferenced**.*

## Units Roots in Time Series:

- Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test for AR processes
- For MA process is more complicated (general case not fully resolved)

# SARIMA models

We have already seen the how difference the series  $X_t$  at lag  $s$  is convenient way of eliminating a seasonal component of period  $s$ .

## Definition

If  $d$  and  $D$  are nonnegative integers, then  $X_t$  is a **seasonal ARIMA**  $(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)_s$  **process** with period  $s$  if the difference series  $Y_t = (1 - B)^d(1 - B^s)^D X_t$  is a causal ARMA process defined by

$$\phi(B)\Phi(B^s)Y_t = \theta(B)\Theta(B^s)Z_t$$

where  $B$  is the backward shift operator.  $Z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ .

$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p$ ,  $\Phi(z) = 1 - \Phi_1 z - \dots - \Phi_P z^P$ ,  
 $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q$ , and  $\Theta(z) = 1 + \Theta_1 z + \dots + \Theta_Q z^Q$

- The process  $Y_t$  is causal if and only if  $\phi(z) = 0$  and  $\Phi(z) = 0$  for  $|z| > 1$

# SARIMA models

A nonstationary process has often a seasonal component that repeats itself after a regular period of time. The seasonal period can be:

- Monthly:  $s=12$  (12 observations per a year)
- Quarterly:  $s=4$  (4 observations per a year)
- Daily:  $s=365$  (365 observations per a year)
- Daily per week:  $s=5$  (5 working days)
- Weekly:  $s=52$  (observations per a year)

Example lecture note

# Forecasting Techniques

We focused up to this point on fitting time series models for stationary and nonstationary series. We present now 2 techniques for forecasting:

- The ARAR algorithm: use AR-ARMA modeling and shortening.
- The Holt-Winters (HW) algorithm: use of exponential smoothing for forecasting.

See R code for examples.



# Regression with ARMA errors

The regression model defines with ARMA errors is given by:

$$Y_t = \beta X_t + R_t \text{ where,}$$

$$R_t = \phi_1 R_{t-1} + \cdots + \phi_p R_{t-p} - \theta_1 z_{t-1} - \cdots - \theta_q z_{t-q} + z_t$$

The regression interpretations is the same as in the regression models.

# STL decomposition

The **S**easonal and **T**rend decomposition using **LOESS** is a robust method for decomposing time series

- The seasonal component is allowed to change over time.
- It can be robust to outliers.

Cleveland, R. B., Cleveland, W. S., McRae, J. E., Terpenning, I. J. (1990). STL: A seasonal-trend decomposition procedure based on loess. *Journal of Official Statistics*, 6(1), 3-33.

# Financial time series models

- Financial time series data are special because of their features, which include tail heaviness, asymmetry, volatility, and serial dependence without correlation.
- Let consider  $P_t$  the price of a stock of other financial asset at time  $t$ , then we can define the log return by
$$Z_t = \log(P_t) - \log(P_{t-1})$$
- A model of the return series should support the fact that this data has a conditional variance  $h_t$  of  $Z_t$  is not independent of past value of  $Z_t$ .

# ARCH model

The idea of the ARCH (autoregressive conditional heteroscedasticity) model is to incorporate the sequence  $h_t$  in the model by:

$$Z_t = \sqrt{h_t} e_t, \quad e_t \sim IIDN(0, 1) \quad (5)$$

$h_t$  is known as the **volatility** and related to the past values of  $Z_t^2$  via the **ARCH(p)** model:

$$h_t = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i Z_{t-i}^2, \quad (6)$$

The **GARCH(p,q)** (generalized ARCH) is given by:

$$h_t = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i Z_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^q \beta_i h_{t-i}, \quad (7)$$

$\alpha_0 > 0$  and  $\alpha_i \geq 0, \beta_i \geq 0$ .