1 Probability Theory

1.1 Some ole' Binomal

1.1.1 Expected value and variance of Binomial

Theorem 1.1. Let $X \approx Bin(n,p)$, then the expected value and variance is given by

- 1. $\mathbb{E}(X) = np$,
- 2. Var(X) = np(1-p).

1.1.2 Binomal approx to Poisson

Theorem 1.2. For $\lambda = np$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}$$

First, we need the following lemma

Lemma 1.1. Let $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$ be the Gamma function, then the following equation holds

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\binom{n}{k}}{n^k} = \frac{1}{k!}.$$

Proof of Lemma 1.1. Note first that

$$\Gamma(k+1) = k\Gamma(k) = \dots = k!\Gamma(1) = k!.$$

and Stirling's Formula for Gamma function states that

$$\Gamma(x+1) = \sqrt{2\pi x} x^x e^{-x} \left(1 + \frac{1}{12x} \cdots \right).$$

Then we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\binom{n}{k}}{n^k} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n!}{n^k (n-k)! k!}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{n^k \Gamma(n-k+1) \Gamma(k+1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(k+1)} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n}{n-k}} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \left(\frac{e}{n-k}\right)^{n-k} \frac{1}{n^k}.$$

Where we used the first order of Stirling's Formula for Gamma function in the last equality. Next, we only need to prove the limit equals to 1:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n}{n-k}} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \left(\frac{e}{n-k}\right)^{n-k} \frac{1}{n^k} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{\frac{n}{n-k}} \frac{1}{e^k} \frac{(1-k/n)^k}{(1-k/n)^n}$$
$$= 1.$$

 $_{\rm since}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{n}{n-k}} \to 1,$$

$$(1 - k/n)^k \to 1,$$

$$(1 - k/n)^n \to e^{-k},$$

as $n \to \infty$.

Now we may prove the main theorem

Proof of Theorem 1.2. Let $p = \lambda/n$ and fix k, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\binom{n}{k}}{n^k} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\gamma}{n}\right)^{n-k}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k} \quad \text{by Lemma 1.1}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \left[\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n\right] \underbrace{\left[\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k}\right]}_{=1}$$

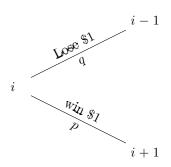
$$= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}.$$

1.2 Markov Chain

Theorem 1.3 (Gambler's ruin). Let p is the probability of winning \$1 and q = 1 - p is the probability of losing \$1. Suppose that a person starts with \$i\$ amount of money where 0 < i < N and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ is the number he would want to walk away with. The probability of him winning from this starting position is given by the following equation:

$$a_i = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^i}{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^N} & where \ p \neq q, \\ \frac{i}{N} & where \ p = q = \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Note that



Then, we observe

$$\underbrace{\frac{(p+q)}{e^{1}}a_{i} = pa_{i+1} + qa_{i-1}}_{=1}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{(p+q)}{e^{1}}a_{i} = pa_{i+1} + qa_{i-1}}_{=1}$$

$$a_{i+1} - a_{i} = \frac{q}{p}(a_{i} - a_{i-1}).$$

Denote $b_j := a_i - a_{i-1}$ and note that $b_1 = a_1$ since $a_0 = 0$ is the absorption edge, we deduce by recursion that

$$b_{i+1} = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{i+1} a_1.$$

Moreover, note that

$$a_{i+1} - a_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{k=1} a_{k+1} - a_k$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{i} \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k a_1.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{i+1} = a_1 \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{i} \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k\right)$$

$$= a_1 \left(\sum_{k=0}^{i} \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k\right).$$

If $p \neq q$, by geometric series, we obtain

$$a_{i+1} = a_1 \frac{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{i+1}}{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)}.$$

If p = q = 0.5, then

$$a_{i+1} = a_1(i+1).$$

Now to solve for a_1 , observe that since at absorption point $a_N = 1$, then letting i + 1 = N, we get

$$1 = a_N = \begin{cases} a_1 \frac{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^N}{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)} & \text{where } p \neq q, \\ a_1 N & \text{where } p = q = \frac{1}{2}, \end{cases}$$

which implies

$$a_1 = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^N} & \text{where } p \neq q, \\ \frac{1}{N} & \text{where } p = q = \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Substituting this back, we obtained the desired equation.

Corollary 1.1. The expectation of stopping time with respect to Brownian motion, i.e. $\tau = \inf\{t \ge 0 : B_{\tau} \in \{-\alpha, \beta\}\}$, for any positive integer α and β is given by

$$\mathbb{E}[\tau] = \alpha\beta.$$

Proof. From Theorem (1.3) we observe that $\Pr(B_{\tau} = b) = \frac{a}{a+b}$. Then, note that since $1 = \Pr(B_{\tau} = -\alpha) + \Pr(B_{\tau} = \beta)$, we have

$$\Pr(B_{\tau} = -\alpha) = \frac{b}{a+b}.$$

Since $(B_t^2 - t)_{t \ge 0}$ is a martingale, we by apply Optimal Stopping Theorem where

$$0 = \mathbb{E}[B_0^2 - 0] = \mathbb{E}[B_{\tau}^2 - \tau],$$

which implies

$$\mathbb{E}[\tau] = \mathbb{E}[B_{\tau}^2] = \alpha^2 \Pr(B_{\tau} = -\alpha) + \beta^2 \Pr(B_{\tau} = \beta) = \alpha\beta.$$

2 Financial Mathematics

Suppose

$$\begin{cases} dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t \\ S_t \big|_{t=0} = S_0. \end{cases}$$
 (2.1)

and risk free is

$$\begin{cases} dB_t = rB_t dt \\ B_t \big|_{t=0} = B_0. \end{cases}$$

Note that the solution to (2.1) is

$$d \log S_t = \frac{1}{S_t} dS_t - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{S_t^2} (dS_t)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{S_t} (\mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{S_t^2} (\sigma^2 S_t^2 (\underline{dW_t})^2 + O(dt))$$

$$= \left(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2\right) dt + \sigma dW_t.$$

$$\Rightarrow S_t = S_0 \exp\left((\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2) dt + \sigma dW_t\right)$$

2.1 Girsanov Theorem

Theorem 2.1. Denote

$$\eta_t := \exp\left(-\int_0^t \lambda(u) dW^{\mathbb{P}}(u) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \lambda^2(u) du\right),$$

where $W^{\mathbb{P}}(t)$ is Wiener process under \mathbb{P} and $\lambda(t)$ is \mathcal{F}_t -measurable to be chosen. Then we can have the following Wiener process under arbitrage-free Wiener process $W^{\mathbb{Q}}(t)$ defined by

$$W^{\mathbb{Q}}(t) = W^{\mathbb{P}}(t) + \int_0^t \lambda(u) \, \mathrm{d}u.$$

The measure \mathbb{Q} is defined by

$$\mathbb{Q}[A] = \int_A \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}P,$$

where $A \in \mathcal{F}_t$.

We may also write it as

$$dW^{\mathbb{Q}} = dW^{\mathbb{P}} + \lambda(t) dt.$$
 (2.2)

Remark 2.1 (Risk neutral GBM). Choosing $\lambda(t) = \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma}$, the GBM process under risk-neutral measure can be written as

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW^{\mathbb{P}}$$

= $\mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t [dW^{\mathbb{Q}} - \lambda(t) dt]$
= $rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW^{\mathbb{Q}}$.

Remark 2.2 (Change of Numeraire). Choosing $\lambda(t) = \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma}$, the discounted risk neutral process can be expressed as

$$d\left(\frac{S_t}{B_t}\right) = \frac{S_t}{B_t}(\mu - r) dt + \sigma dW^{\mathbb{P}}$$

$$= \frac{S_t}{B_t} (\mu - r) dt + \sigma \left[dW^{\mathbb{Q}} - \lambda(t) dt \right]$$
$$= \frac{S_t}{B_t} \sigma dW^{\mathbb{Q}},$$

which is a Martingale.

Remark 2.3. Since choice of $\lambda(t)$ is unique here to generate a Martingle process, \mathbb{Q} is known as unique equivalent martingale (EMM) which equals to say that \mathbb{Q} is a risk-neutral measure.

2.2 Black-Scholes

Suppose the call-option value process (admissible, BS is closed and whole other assumptinos)

$$C(S_t) = V_t((S_T - K)^+).$$

From Ito lemma, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{d}C(S_t,t) &= \frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial t} \, \mathrm{d}t + \frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial S_t} \, \mathrm{d}S_t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C(S_t)}{\partial S_t^2} \left(\mathrm{d}S_t \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial t} \, \mathrm{d}t + \frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial S_t} \left(rS_t \, \mathrm{d}t + \sigma S_t dW_t \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C(S_t)}{\partial S_t^2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 \, \mathrm{d}t \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + rS_t \frac{\partial C}{\partial S_t} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S_t^2} \right) \mathrm{d}t + \sigma S_t \frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial S_t} \, \mathrm{d}W_t \,. \end{split}$$

Moreover, when we consider risk-free bond, we get

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{d}\left(\frac{C(S_t,t)}{B_t}\right) &= C(S_t,t)\operatorname{d}\left(\frac{1}{B_t}\right) + \frac{1}{B_t}\operatorname{d}C(S_t,t) \\ &= -C(S_t,t)\frac{1}{B_t^2}\operatorname{d}B_t \frac{1}{B_t} + \frac{1}{B_t}\operatorname{d}C(S_t,t) \\ &= -C(S_t,t)\frac{r}{B_t}\operatorname{d}t + \frac{1}{B_t}\operatorname{d}C(S_t,t) \\ &= \frac{1}{B_t}\left(\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + rS_t\frac{\partial C}{\partial S_t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2S_t^2\frac{\partial^2C}{\partial S_t^2} - rC\right)\operatorname{d}t + \sigma\frac{S_t}{B_t}\frac{\partial C(S_t)}{\partial S_t}\operatorname{d}W_t \end{split}$$

For no arbitrage, there is no drift term, so the Black-Scholes equation equals to

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + rS_t \frac{\partial C}{\partial S_t} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S_t^2} - rC = 0$$
 (2.3)

Remark 2.4. If there is a dividend d, the BS equation is

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{d})S_t \frac{\partial C}{\partial S_t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S_t^2} - rC = 0$$

2.2.1 Solving Black-Scholes Equation

From (2.3), we denote the operator

$$L := -\left((r - d)S_t \frac{\partial}{\partial S_t} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial S_t^2} - r \right),$$

where d is the dividend. Then, BS can be rewritten as

$$\begin{cases}
(\partial_t + L)C(S_t, t) = 0 \\
C(x, 0) = (e^x - e^{x_0})^+,
\end{cases}$$
(2.4)

where $x = \log S$.

Denote

$$\alpha := \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$
$$\beta := (d - r)$$
$$\tau := T - t$$

Then

$$L = -\alpha \partial_x^2 + \beta \partial_x + r.$$

We can calculate the heat-kernel of the BS-equation by using Fourier Transform, $U_{BS}(\tau; x - y)$. Thus,

$$C_{\mathbf{BS}}(\tau, x) = \int_{x_0}^{\infty} U_{\mathbf{BS}}(\tau; x - y) C(y, 0) \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

where the kernel is obtained by calculating

$$U_{\mathbf{BS}}(\tau; x - y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-p(x-y)} e^{-\tau(\alpha p^2 + i\beta p + r)} \, \mathrm{d}y$$
$$= \frac{e^{-r\tau}}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-\left[p\sqrt{\alpha\tau} - i\frac{x-y-\beta\tau}{2\sqrt{\alpha\tau}}\right]^2} \, \mathrm{d}y$$
$$= \frac{e^{-r\tau}}{\sqrt{4\pi\alpha\tau}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-y-\beta\tau)^2}{4\alpha\tau}\right).$$

2.2.2 Derivation of European Call Option

Proposition 2.1. Let $g(0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}_+$ be a claim such that $g(x) \leqslant c(1+x)$ for some $c \geqslant 0$ and $X = g(S_T)$. Then the value process $(V_t(X))_{t \in [0,T]}$ satisfies $V_t(X) = \nu(t,S_t)$ where

$$\nu(t,x) = e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(e^y) \phi_{\log(x) + (T-t)(r-\sigma^2/2), \ \sigma^2(T-t)}(y) \, \mathrm{d}y, \qquad (2.5)$$

and $\varphi(\mu, \sigma^2)$ is the probability density function of normal distribution i.e.

$$\phi(\mu, \sigma^2)(y) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\mu - y)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

Proof. From discounted process we have

$$\begin{split} \hat{V}_t(X) &= \mathbb{E}^Q[\hat{X}|\mathcal{F}_t] \\ &= e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}^Q[g(S_T)|\mathcal{F}_t] \\ &= e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}^Q\left[g\left(S_t \exp\left(\left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)(T - t) + \sigma(W_T - W_t)\right)\right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right] \\ &= e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}^Q\left[g\left(\exp\left(\log(S_t) + \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)(T - t) + \sigma(W_T - W_t)\right)\right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right], \end{split}$$

where we used the solution to the Stochastic GBM. Note here that $(W_T - W_t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, T - t)$. Thus, we have

$$\hat{V}_t(X) = \mathbb{E}^Q[\hat{X}|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

$$= e^{-rT} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g\left(\exp\left(\log(S_t) + \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)(T - t) + \sigma y\right)\right) \phi_{0,T-t}(y) \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= e^{-rT} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(e^z) \phi_{\log(x) + (T-t)(r - \sigma^2/2), \ \sigma^2(T-t)}(z) \, \mathrm{d}z.$$

Finally, observe that the discounted value process is given by $\hat{V}_t(X) = e^{-rt}V_t(X)$ then we are done.

Theorem 2.2 (Call option pricing). Let $C(S_t,t) := V_t((S_T - K)^+)$ value process of the call option, then we have

$$C(S_t, t) = S_t \Phi(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} \Phi(d_2), \tag{2.6}$$

where $\Phi(x)$ ($\mathbb{P}(X < x)$) is the distribution of standard normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ and

$$d_1 := \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} \left(\log\left(\frac{S_t}{K}\right) + (r+\sigma^2/2)(T-t) \right),$$

$$d_2 := d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T-t}.$$

Proof. Let $g(x) = (x - K)^+$ then from Proposition 2.1, we get

$$C(S_t, t) = V_t((S_t - K)^+)$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \underbrace{(e^y - K)^+}_{=g(e^y)} \phi_{\log(S_t) + (T-t)(r-\sigma^2/2), \ \sigma^2(T-t)}(y) \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(x \exp\left(\left(r - \frac{\sigma}{2}\right)(T-t) + \sigma\sqrt{T-tz}\right) - K \right)^+ \phi_{0,1}(z) \, \mathrm{d}z \,,$$

where $x = S_t$. Let

$$\begin{split} \tau &:= T - t, \\ \widetilde{r} &:= r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}, \\ \ell &:= \frac{\log(K/x) - \widetilde{r}\tau}{\sigma\sqrt{\tau}}. \end{split}$$

Thus, we observe that $\left(x\exp\left(\left(r-\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)\left(T-t\right)+\sigma\sqrt{T-t}z\right)-K\right)^{+}$ is non-zero iff

$$x \exp\left(\left(r - \frac{\sigma}{2}\right)(T - t) + \sigma\sqrt{T - tz}\right) - K > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y > \ell$$

Then

$$C(S_t, t) = e^{-r\tau} \int_{\ell}^{\infty} \left(x \exp\left(\tilde{r}\tau + \sigma\sqrt{\tau}z\right) - K \right) \phi_{0,1}(z) \, \mathrm{d}z$$

$$= e^{-r\tau} \int_{\ell}^{\infty} \left(x \exp\left(\tilde{r}\tau + \sigma\sqrt{\tau}z\right) - K \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \right) \, \mathrm{d}z$$

$$= x \int_{\ell}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(z - \sigma\sqrt{\tau})}{2} \right) \, \mathrm{d}z - e^{-r\tau} K \Phi(-\ell)$$

$$= x \int_{\ell - \sigma\sqrt{\tau}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \, \mathrm{d}z - e^{-r\tau} K \Phi(-\ell)$$

$$= x \Phi(-\ell + \sigma\sqrt{\tau}) - e^{-r\tau} K \Phi(-\ell)$$

Theorem 2.3 (Replicating strategies). The replicating trading strategy $\varphi = (\varphi_t^0, \varphi_t^1)_{t \in [0,T]}$ of X is given by

$$\varphi_t^0 = e^{-rt} \left(\nu(S_t, t) - S_t \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nu(S_t, t) \right),$$

$$\varphi_t^1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nu(S_t, t),$$
(2.7)

where ν is defined in (2.5)

2.2.3 Put-Call Parity

$$S_t - Ke^{-r(T-t)} = C(S_t, t) - P(S_t, t).$$
(2.8)

2.2.4 Barrier options

Suppose a down-and-out option

$$X := (S_t - K)^+ \mathbb{1}_{\min_{t \in [0,T]} S_t > \beta}$$

The value process is therefore,

$$V_t(X) = e^{-r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}^Q[X|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

2.3 Stochastic Volatility

3 Value at Risk

Definition

$$\alpha = \int_{-\text{VaR}}^{\infty} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \,,$$

where f is a probability density function. If the probability density is well defined and the CDF has inverse, we may calculate the VaR as follows

$$\alpha = \int_{-\text{VaR}}^{\infty} f(x) \, dx = 1 - \Phi(\text{VaR})$$

$$\text{VaR} = \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha).$$

If f is probability density function of a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$VaR = z_{\alpha}\sigma.$$

If there is a time horizon T, then

$$VaR(T) = z_{\alpha} \sqrt{T} \sigma.$$

3.0.1 Expected shortfall

Expected shortfall (ES) is a risk measure—a concept used in the field of financial risk measurement to evaluate the market risk or credit risk of a portfolio. The "expected shortfall at q% level" is the expected return on the portfolio in the worst q % of cases. ES is an alternative to value at risk that is more sensitive to the shape of the tail of the loss distribution.

Expected shortfall is considered a more useful risk measure than VaR because it is a coherent spectral measure of financial portfolio risk. It is calculated for a given quantile-level q q and is defined to be the mean loss of portfolio value given that a loss is occurring at or below the q-quantile.

Let $X \in L^p(\mathcal{F})$, the formula can be written as

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{ES}_{\alpha}(X) &= \mathbb{E}[-X \mid X \geqslant -\mathrm{VaR}_{\alpha}(X)] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{0}^{\alpha} \mathrm{VaR}_{\gamma} \, \mathrm{d}\gamma \\ &= -\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{-\mathrm{VaR}_{\alpha}} x f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \end{split}$$

where f is the probability density function.

4 Time Series

4.1 Stationary and Autocorrelation

Definition 4.1. The autocovariance

$$\gamma(s,t) := \mathbb{E}\left[(x_s - \mu_s)(x_t - \mu_t) \right],$$

and cross-covar.

$$\rho_{x,y}(s,t) := \mathbb{E}\left[(x_s - \mu_{xs})(y_t - \mu_{ts}) \right].$$

Definition 4.2. The autocorrelation function (ACF) is defined as

$$\rho_x(s,t) := \frac{\gamma(s,t)}{\sqrt{\gamma(s,s)\gamma(t,t)}},$$

Notation: $\rho_x(t, t+h) \equiv \rho(h)$.

Definition 4.3 (Strictly stationary). For all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $t_k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $c_k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the time series is strictly stationary if

$$\mathbb{P}(x_{t_1} \leqslant c_1, \dots x_{t_k} \leqslant c_k) = \mathbb{P}(x_{t_1+h} \leqslant c_1, \dots x_{t_k+h} \leqslant c_k),$$

for given probability measure \mathbb{P} and constant $h \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 4.4 (Weakly stationary). The time series is strictly stationary if

- 1. $\mu_t = \mathbb{E}[x_t]$ is constant, and
- 2. $\gamma(s,t)$ depends only on |s-t|.

Lemma 4.1. Assume time series is weakly stationary. Using the notation $\gamma(t, t+h) \equiv \gamma(h)$, we have

- 1. $|\gamma(t)| \leq \gamma(0)$,
- 2. $\gamma(h) = \gamma(-h)$.

Proof. 1. By Cauchy-Schwarz inequality $|\gamma(t,t+h)|^2 \leqslant \gamma(t,t)\gamma(t+h,t+h)$ by definition $|\gamma(h)|^2 \leqslant \gamma(0)\gamma(0)$.

2. From definition of covariance we have

$$\gamma(h) = \gamma(t+h-t)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[(x_{t+h} - \mu)(x_t - \mu)\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[(x_t - \mu)(x_{t+h} - \mu)\right]$$

$$= \gamma(t - (t+h)) = \gamma(-h)$$

Example 4.1. Suppose w_t for all $t \in N$ is white noise process, i.e. iid $w_t \approx N(0, \sigma_w^2)$. Given two series

$$x_t = w_t + w_{t-1},$$

$$y_t = w_t - w_{t-1}.$$

Then for any $h \in \mathbb{N}$, we get the following for (cross-)covariance:

1.

$$\gamma_x(0) = \mathbb{E}[(w_t + w_{t-1})^2] = \mathbb{E}[w_t^2] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}^2] + 2\underbrace{\mathbb{E}[w_t w_{t-1}]}_{=0}$$

$$= 2\sigma_w^2,$$

$$\gamma_y(0) = \mathbb{E}[(w_t - w_{t-1})^2] = \mathbb{E}[w_t^2] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}^2] - 2\underbrace{\mathbb{E}[w_t w_{t-1}]}_{=0}$$

$$= 2\sigma_w^2.$$

2.

$$\gamma_{x}(1) = \mathbb{E}\left[(w_{t} + w_{t-1})(w_{t+1} + w_{t})\right]
= \mathbb{E}[w_{t}w_{t+1}] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t}^{2}] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}w_{t+1}] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}w_{t}]
= \sigma_{w} = \gamma_{x}(-1),
\gamma_{y}(1) = \mathbb{E}[w_{t}w_{t+1}] - \mathbb{E}[w_{t}^{2}] + \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}w_{t+1}] - \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}w_{t}]
= -\sigma_{w} = \gamma_{y}(-1).$$

- 3. $\gamma_{xy}(0) = \mathbb{E}[w_t^2] \mathbb{E}[w_{t-1}^2] = 0$ and $\gamma_{xy}(1) = cov(x_{t+1}, y_t) = -\sigma_w^2$ and $\gamma_{xy}(-1) = cov(x_t, y_{t-1}) = -\sigma_w^2$
- 4. ACF

$$\rho_{xy}(h) = \begin{cases}
0 & h = 0, \\
1/2 & h = 1, \\
-1/2 & h = -1, \\
0 & |h| \geqslant 2
\end{cases}$$
(4.1)

Thus the joint time series is stationary.

Definition 4.5 (Linear Process). $\{x_t\}$ is linear process if

$$x_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j w_{t-j}, \quad \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty,$$

where w_t is white noise.

Definition 4.6 (Gaussian Process). $\{x_t\}$ is Gaussian process if the vector $x := (x_{t_1}, x_{t_2}, \dots, x_{t_n})' \in \mathbb{R}^n$ has a multivariate normal distribution with density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \det(\Gamma)^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)'\Gamma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right),$$

where $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\Gamma := var(x) = \{ \gamma(t_i, t_j); i, j = 1, \dots, n \}.$

4.1.1 **ARIMA**

ARMA(p,q):

$$x_t - \phi_1 x_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p x_{t-p} = w_t + \theta_t w_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q w_{t-q}.$$

4.2 Autoregressive Model

Definition 4.7 (AR(p)). Let w_t be white noise, AR(p) is defined as

$$x_t - \phi_1 x_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p x_{t-p} = w_t.$$

Definition 4.8 (Autoregressive Operator). Let B be time-lagged operator, i.e. $Bx_t = x_{t-1}$, the autoregressive operator is defined as

$$\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \phi_2 B^2 - \dots - \phi_p B^p.$$

Example 4.2. Assuming $\phi_j = \phi$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, from AR(1)

$$x_{t} = \phi x_{t-1} + w_{t} = \phi(\phi x_{t-2} + w_{t-1}) + w_{t}$$

$$= \phi^{2} x_{t-2} + \phi w_{t-1} + w_{t}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$k-1$$

$$= \phi^k x_{t-k} + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \phi^j w_{t-j}.$$

Thus, if $|\phi| < 1$ and x_t is sationary then for large $k \to \infty$, we have

$$x_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j w_{t-j}.$$

Taking expectation value,

$$\mathbb{E}[x_t] = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi_j \mathbb{E}[w_t] = 0.$$

Moreover, for $h \ge$ the autocovriance function is

$$\gamma(h) = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{j} w_{t+h-j}\right) \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^{k} w_{t-k}\right)\right] \\
= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(w_{t+h-1} + \phi w_{t+h-2} + \cdots + \phi^{h} w_{t} + \phi^{h+1} w_{t-1} + \cdots\right) (w_{t} + \phi w_{t-1} + \cdots)\right] \\
= \sigma_{w}^{2} \sum_{j=0} \phi^{h+j} \phi^{j} = \sigma_{w}^{2} \phi^{h} \sum_{j=0} \phi^{2j} \\
= \frac{\sigma_{w}^{2} \phi^{h}}{1 - \phi^{2}}.$$

And ACF is

$$\rho(h) = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)} = \phi^h.$$

As well as

$$\rho(h) = \phi \rho(h-1).$$

Definition 4.9. The moving average operator is defined as

$$\theta(B) := 1 + \theta_1 B + \theta_2 B^2 + \dots + \theta_q B^q.$$

5 Operational Research

5.1 Safety Stock

Theorem 5.1. Let the lead-time T be normally distributed, i.e. $T \sim N(\mu_{\ell}, \sigma_{\ell}^2)$ and denote the set of demand of period i as $\{D_i\}_{i=1}^T$ where $D_i \sim N(\mu_d, \sigma_d^2)$ for each $1 \leq i \leq T$. Then the safety stock level, SS satisfies the following equation

$$SS = z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\sigma_d^2 \mu_{\ell} + \mu_d^2 \sigma_{\ell}^2},$$

where z_{α} is the Z-value of a desired α which is chosen.

Proof. Denote the demand between within lead-time as $D(T) := \sum_{i=1}^{T} D_i$. The safety stock level is then set at

$$SS = z_{\alpha} \sqrt{Var(D(T))}.$$

Thus we need only to prove Var(D(T)).

From Towering-property, note that

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[D(T)] &= \mathbb{E}\big[\mathbb{E}[D(T)|T]\big] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\big[T\mu_d\big] = \mu_d \mathbb{E}[T] = \mu_d \mu_\ell. \end{split}$$

Furthemore, again with Towering-property, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[D^2(T)] &= \mathbb{E}\big[\mathbb{E}[D^2(T)|T]\big] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\big[Var[D(T)|T] + \big(\mathbb{E}[D(T)|T]\big)^2\big] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\big[T\sigma_d^2 + \big(T\mu_d\big)^2\big] \\ &= \sigma_d^2\mathbb{E}[T] + \mu_d^2\mathbb{E}[T^2] \\ &= \sigma_d^2\mu_\ell + \mu_d^2\left(Var(T) + (\mathbb{E}[T])^2\right) \\ &= \sigma_d^2\mu_\ell + \mu_d^2\left(\sigma_\ell^2 + \mu_\ell^2\right). \end{split}$$

Finally,

$$Var(D(T)) = \mathbb{E}[D^2(T)] - (\mathbb{E}[D(T)])^2$$
$$= \sigma_d^2 \mu_\ell + \mu_d^2 (\sigma_\ell^2 + \mu_\ell^2) - (\mu_d \mu_\ell)^2$$
$$= \sigma_d^2 \mu_\ell + \mu_d^2 \sigma_\ell^2.$$