

# Forecasting for ARIMA(p, d, q) models

(given a specific choice of d)

$$\min_{c_1, \dots, c_m} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( y_{m+1} - \left( \sum_{j=1}^m c_{mj} y_{m+1-j} \right) \right)^2 \right] =$$

$$\mathbb{E}[y_{m+1}^2] + \underline{c}_m' A_m \underline{c}_m - 2 \underline{b}_m' \underline{c}_m,$$

where

$$A_{mij} = \mathbb{E}[y_{m+1-i} y_{m+1-j}]$$

$$b_{mij} = \mathbb{E}[y_{m+1} y_{m+1-j}]$$

} previously these were autocovar. of a stationary process

When  $d > 0$ ,  $y_t$  isn't stationary anymore,  $A_n$ ,  $b_n$  difficult to evaluate and work with

How we'll fix this... write

$$y_t = y_0 + \sum_{i=1}^t \nabla^d y_i \quad ] \text{ works for } d=1$$

$$\min_{c_1, \dots, c_m} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( y_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \nabla^d y_i - \sum_{j=1}^m c_{m,j} \left( y_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{m+1-j} \nabla^d y_k \right) \right)^2 \right]$$

\* This depends on

$$\mathbb{E}[y_0 \nabla^d y_i] \text{ for } i > 0$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\nabla^d y_i \nabla^d y_j]$$

it's not a  
big deal to  
assume these  
are zero  
autocovariances of  
a stationary  
process! 😊

Tedious to work out by hand, very similar  
to ARMA setting, so we'll just use R for this

In general, it's useful to rewrite

$$\nabla^d y_t = \nabla^d y_t - \sum_{j=1}^d \binom{d}{j} (-1)^j y_{t-j}$$

we get this by rearranging  $\nabla^d y_t = (1-B)^d y_t$   
so that  $y_t$  is on the left hand side, everything  
else on right

Forecast **one** step ahead from  $t=m$ ,  $m \leq n$ ,

$$y_{m+1} = \nabla^d y_{m+1} - \sum_{j=1}^d \binom{d}{j} (-1)^j y_{m+1-j}$$

stationary  
process

all the  $y_{m+1-j}$ 's for  $j=1, \dots, d$   
are known at time  $m$

Forecast  $h$  steps ahead from  $t=m$ ,  $m \leq n$ ,  $h > 1$

$$(*) \quad y_{m+h} = \underbrace{\nabla^d y_{m+h}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{stationary} \\ \text{process}}} \sum_{j=1}^d \binom{d}{j} \cdot (-1)^j y_{m+h-j}$$

not all of these were observed, can use the forecasts defined by  $(*)$

variance of our forecasts will now have two components, variance from not knowing future increments and the variance from not knowing future values

forecasts will require one extra assumption  
 $y_1, \dots, y_d$  are independent of stationary  $y_t$

# State Space Models!

$$y_t = a x_t + v_t \quad \leftarrow \text{observation equation}$$

$$x_t = \phi x_{t-1} + w_t \quad \leftarrow \text{state equation}$$

$$v_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma_v^2), \quad w_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma_w^2), \quad x_1 = \mu$$

$\sigma_v^2 = 0$ ,  $a=1$ , -then this is basically an AR(1) process for  $y_t$ , but with a fixed starting value  $y_1 = \mu$ .

$y_t$  observed,  $x_t$  all unobserved

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First, assume that  $a, \phi, \sigma_v^2, \sigma_w^2$ , and  $\mu$  are known  
might be interested in:

- \* Predicting future  $x_t$  given  $y_1, \dots, y_{t-1}$ .  
example:  $\mathbb{E}[x_2 | y_1]$ ,  $\mathbb{V}[x_2 | y_1]$
- \* 'Filtering' estimating future  $x_t$  given  $y_1, \dots, y_t$ .  
example:  $\mathbb{E}[x_2 | y_1, y_2]$ ,  $\mathbb{V}[x_2 | y_1, y_2]$
- \* Smoothing estimating  $x_t$  given everything we saw,  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ .  
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Allows us to define a joint probability distribution for  $\underline{x}$  and  $\underline{y}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \underline{y} \\ \underline{x} \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left( \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}[\underline{y}] \\ \mathbb{E}[\underline{x}] \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{V}[\underline{y}] & \text{cov}[\underline{y}, \underline{x}] \\ \text{cov}[\underline{y}, \underline{x}] & \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

# Very Important Multivariate Normal Facts

Suppose 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{v} \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left( \begin{pmatrix} \underline{a} \\ \underline{b} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} C & D \\ D' & E \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

then 
$$\underline{u} \sim N(\underline{a}, C) \quad , \quad \underline{v} \sim N(\underline{b}, E)$$

also 
$$\begin{aligned} \underline{u} | \underline{v} &\sim N \left( \underline{a} + D'E^{-1}(\underline{v} - \underline{b}), C - D'E^{-1}D \right) \\ \underline{v} | \underline{u} &\sim N \left( \underline{b} + DC^{-1}(\underline{u} - \underline{a}), E - DC^{-1}D' \right) \end{aligned}$$



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Smoothing asks about the conditional distribution of  $\underline{x} | \underline{y}$

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Smoothed  $\underline{x}$  distribution given  $\underline{y}$  has

$$\mathbb{E}[\underline{x} | \underline{y}] = \mathbb{E}[\underline{x}] + a \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] (a^2 \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] + \sigma_v^2 \mathbb{I})^{-1} (\underline{y} - a \mathbb{E}[\underline{x}])$$

$$\mathbb{V}[\underline{x} | \underline{y}] = \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] - a^2 \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] (a^2 \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}] + \sigma_v^2 \mathbb{I})^{-1} \mathbb{V}[\underline{x}]$$