

Model Types

Typical structure of a time series is

$$X_t = m_t + Y_t + S_t$$

where m_t is a trend, S_t is a seasonal part, and Y_t is a stationary part.

- **White Noise:** Sequence of iid random variables $\{Z_t\}$ with mean 0 and variance σ_Z^2 .
- **Random Walk:** $X_t = X_{t-1} + Z_t$, where $\{Z_t\}$ is white noise.
- **MA(q):** Let $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \theta_2 z^2 + \dots + \theta_q z^q$,

$$X_t = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q Z_{t-q} = \theta(B)Z_t$$

- **AR(p):** Let $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \phi_2 z^2 - \dots - \phi_p z^p$,
 $X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p X_{t-p} + Z_t \implies Z_t = \phi(B)X_t$
- **ARMA(p,q):** $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t$
 $X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$

Autocovariance Functions

The autocovariance function of a time series $\{X_t\}$ is

$$\gamma_X(r, s) = \text{Cov}(X_r, X_s) = E[(X_r - \mu_X(r))(X_s - \mu_X(s))]$$

ACF For Different Models

- **White Noise:** $\gamma_Z(t+h, t) = I(h=0)$
- **Random Walk:** $\gamma_S(t, t+h) = t\sigma_Z^2$
- **MA(1):** $\gamma_X(t+h, t) = \begin{cases} \sigma_Z^2(1+\theta^2) & h=0 \\ \theta\sigma_Z^2 & h=\pm 1 \\ 0 & |h| > 1 \end{cases}$
- **AR(1):** $\gamma_X(h) = \sigma_Z^2 \frac{\phi^h}{1-\phi^2}$
- **ARMA(1,1):** $\gamma_X(0) = \sigma_Z^2 \left(1 + \frac{(\phi+\theta)^2}{1-\phi^2}\right)$,
 $\gamma(1) = \sigma_Z^2 \left[(\phi+\theta) + \frac{(\phi+\theta)^2\phi}{1-\phi^2}\right] \gamma(h) = \phi^{h-1}\gamma_X(1)$
- **AR(2):** $\gamma_X(0) = \frac{\sigma_Z^2(1-\phi_2)}{(1+\phi_2)[(1-\phi_2)^2 - \phi_1^2]}$,
 $\gamma(1) = \frac{\gamma(0)\phi_1}{1-\phi_2}$, $\gamma(h) = \phi_1\gamma(h-1) + \phi_2\gamma(h-2)$
- **MA(q):** $\gamma_X(h) = \sigma_Z^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_j \theta_{j+h}$

ARMA Models

Solutions to ARMA Models

- A stationary solution for ARMA(p, q) exists whenever the autoregressive polynomial $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0$ for all $|z| = 1$. In other words, for ARMA to be stationary, if z solves $\phi(z) = 0$, then $|z| \neq 1$.
- A stationary and causal solution for ARMA(p, q) exists whenever the autoregressive polynomial $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0$ for all $|z| \leq 1$. In other words, for ARMA to be stationary and causal, if z solves $\phi(z) = 0$, then $|z| > 1$.

Linear Processes

Definition Let $\{Z_t\}$ be white noise. Let $\psi_j, j \geq 0$, be a sequence of constants such that $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j^2 < \infty$. Then,

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j}$$

is called a linear process.

Linear Representation of AR(1): AR(1) is obtained by setting $p=1$ and $q=0$, so $Z_t = \phi(B)X_t$ where $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi z$. Then, we define

$$\chi(z) = \frac{1}{\phi(z)}$$

This function has the power series expansion when $|\phi| < 1$,

$$\chi(z) = \frac{1}{\phi(z)} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j z^j$$

Multiplying this with our equation for Z_t ,

$$\chi(B)\phi(B)X_t = \chi(B)Z_t \iff X_t = \chi(B)Z_t$$

Thus, our linear representation of AR(1) is

$$X_t = \chi(B)Z_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j B^j Z_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j Z_{t-j}$$

Linear Representation of ARMA(1,1): Here we have $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)Z_t$ where $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi z$ and $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta z$. Then define $\chi(z)$ the same way and multiply on both sides to get $X_t = \chi(B)\theta(B)Z_t$.

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j B^j (1 + \theta B)Z_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j Z_{t-j} + \theta \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j Z_{t-(j+1)}$$

We want to write this in the form:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j Z_{t-j} + \theta \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j Z_{t-j-1}$$

$$\psi_0 Z_t + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \psi_j Z_{t-j} = \phi^0 Z_t + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (\phi^j + \theta \phi^{j-1}) Z_{t-j-1}$$

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

Partial Autocorrelation Functions

Finding the partial autocorrelation function between X_1 and X_2 when removing the effect of X_3 :

- First regress X_1 on X_3 , compute the regression coefficient β_{13} ,

$$X_1 = \beta_{13}X_3 + Z$$

where Z has mean zero and is independent of X_3 . Then multiply by X_3 and take expected value

$$E(X_1 X_3) = \beta_{13} E(X_3^2) + E(Z X_3) \\ \gamma_X(2) = \beta_{13} \gamma_X(0) + E(Z X_3) = \beta_{13} \gamma_X(0)$$

$$\text{This gives us } \beta_{13} = \frac{\gamma_X(2)}{\gamma_X(0)} = \rho_X(2).$$

- Then similarly, we regress X_2 on X_3 ,

$$X_2 = \beta_{23}X_3 + V$$

$$\text{and we get } \beta_{23} = \frac{\gamma_X(1)}{\gamma_X(0)} = \rho_X(1).$$

- Finally, we define the partial autocorrelation function (PACF) between X_1 and X_2 when removing the effect of X_3 as

$$\rho_{12.3} = \text{Cor}(X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3, X_2 - \beta_{23}X_3) \\ = \frac{\text{Cov}(X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3, X_2 - \beta_{23}X_3)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3)}\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_2 - \beta_{23}X_3)}}$$

We can rewrite the covariance using linearity of covariance as $\gamma_X(1)(1 - \rho_X(2))$, and similarly for the variances

$$\text{Var}(X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3) = \text{Cov}(X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3, X_1 - \beta_{13}X_3) \\ = \text{Cov}(X_1, X_1) + \text{Cov}(\beta_{13}X_3, \beta_{13}X_3) \\ - \text{Cov}(X_1, \beta_{13}X_3) - \text{Cov}(\beta_{13}X_3, X_1) \\ = \gamma_X(0)(1 - \rho_X^2(2))$$

$$\text{Var}(X_2 - \beta_{23}X_3) = \gamma_X(0)(1 - \rho_X^2(1))$$

Thus, the partial autocorrelation function is

$$\rho_{12.3} = \frac{\gamma_X(1)(1 - \rho_X(2))}{\gamma_X(0)\sqrt{(1 - \rho_X^2(2))(1 - \rho_X^2(1))}} \\ = \frac{\text{Cor}(X_1, X_2) - \text{Cor}(X_2, X_3)\text{Cor}(X_1, X_3)}{\sqrt{(1 - \text{Cor}^2(X_1, X_3))(1 - \text{Cor}^2(X_2, X_3))}}$$

Interpreting PACF/ACF Plots

	AR(p)	MA(q)
ACF	Tails off (Geometric Decay)	Significant at lag q Cuts off after lag q
PACF	Significant at each lag p Cuts off after lag p	Tails off (Geometric Decay)

Yule Walker Equations

Denote $P_n X_{n+k}$ as the predicted value of X_{n+k} given that we have n observations.

$$P_n X_{n+k} = a_0 + a_1 X_n + a_2 X_{n-1} + \cdots a_n X_1$$

To find coefficients a_0, \dots, a_n , solve the system

$$\Gamma_n \mathbf{a}_n = \gamma(n; k), \quad \gamma(n; k) = (\gamma_X(k), \dots, \gamma_X(k+n-1))$$

$$\Gamma_n = [\gamma_X(i-j)]_{i,j=1}^n, \quad \mathbf{a}_n = (a_1, \dots, a_n)^T$$

The mean squared prediction error is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSPE}_n(k) &= E \left[\left(X_{n+k} - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_{n+1-i} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \gamma(0) - \mathbf{a}_n \gamma(n; k) \end{aligned}$$