

# Seasonal functional autoregressive models

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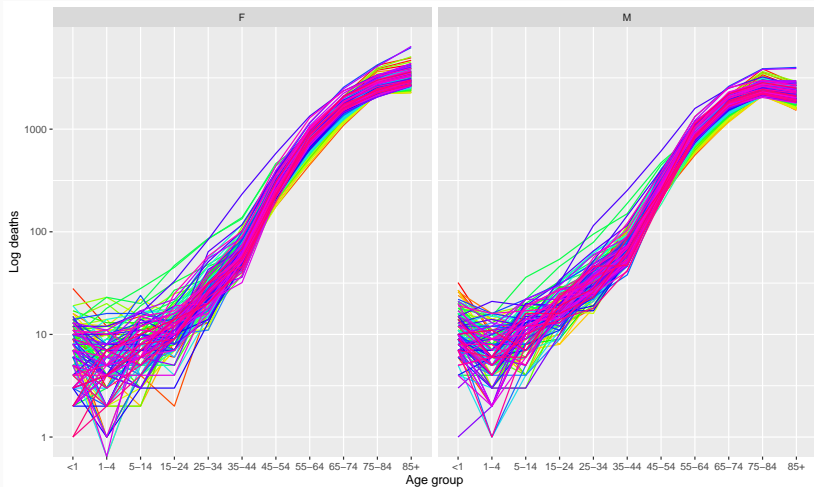
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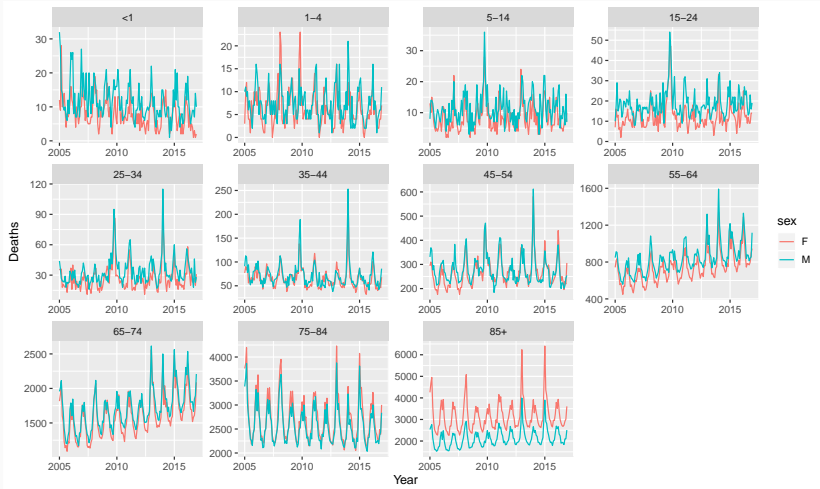
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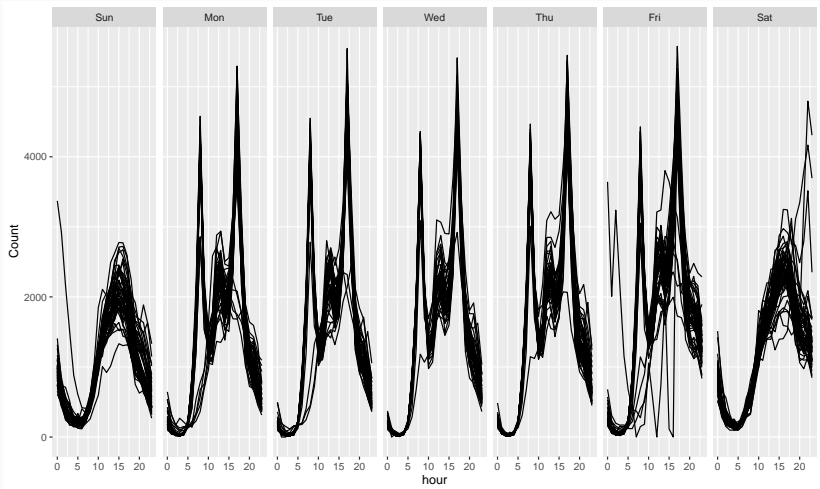
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# Hourly pedestrian count at Flinders St



# Examples

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1  $X_t(u)$  = mortality rate for people aged  $u$  in month  $t$ .

2  $X_t(u)$  = vegetation index at location  $u$  in month  $t$ , measured by average satellite observations.

Sometimes  $u$  may denote a second time variable.

3  $X_t(u)$  = pedestrian count observed every hour.  
 $u$  denotes time-of-day,  $t$  denotes day.

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Seasonality occurs when  $X_t(u)$  is influenced by seasonal factors (e.g., the quarter of the year, the month, the day of the week, etc.).



# Functional autoregression

**FAR( $p$ ) processes – introduced by Bosq (2000)**

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- Assume:  $\phi_j$  are Hilbert-Schmidt operators in  $\mathcal{L}(H)$

$H =$  separable real Hilbert space of square integrable functions.

$\mathcal{L}(H) =$  space of continuous linear operators from  $H$  to  $H$ .

# Seasonal univariate autoregression

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## Stationarity of a SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> process

If there exists an integer  $M \geq 1$  such that  $\|\Phi^M\|_{\mathcal{L}} < 1$ , then

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has a unique stationary solution given by

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## Link to SAR(1)<sub>S</sub> processes

Let

$$\Phi = \sum_{j=1} \alpha_j e_j \otimes e_j$$

be a symmetric compact operator on  $H$ .

Then,  $X_t$  is a SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> process if and only if  $\langle X_t, e_k \rangle$  is a SAR(1)<sub>S</sub> process.

# SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> processes

Let  $\mathbf{Y}_t = (X_t, \dots, X_{t-S+1})'$  and  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t = (\varepsilon_t, 0, \dots, 0)'$ .

Define operator  $\rho$  on  $H^S$ :

$$\rho = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \Phi \\ I & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & I & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{where } I \text{ is identity operator.}$$

## Lemma

If  $\mathbf{X}$  is SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> process, associated with  $(\varepsilon, \Phi)$ , then  $\mathbf{Y}$  is FAR(1) with values in product Hilbert space  $H^S$  associated with  $(\varepsilon, \rho)$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{Y}_n = \rho \mathbf{Y}_{n-1} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_n$ .



# SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> processes

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{L}(H^S)$  be space of bounded linear operators on  $H^S$  equipped with norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{L}^S}$ . If

$$\|\rho^M\|_{\mathcal{L}^S} < 1, \quad \text{for some } M \geq 1,$$

then SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> has unique stationary solution given by

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\pi \rho)(\varepsilon_{t-j}),$$

where the series converges in  $L^2_{H^S}$  with probability 1 and  $\pi$  is the projector of  $H^S$  onto  $H$ , defined as  $\pi(x_1, \dots, x_S) = x_1, \quad (x_1, \dots, x_S) \in H^S$ .

# Limit Theorems for SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> processes

## Theorem: Law of large numbers for $X$

If  $X$  is a standard SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> then, as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\frac{T^{0.25}}{(\log T)^\beta} \frac{(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_T)}{T} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{for } \beta > 0.5.$$

## Central Limit Theorem

Let  $X$  be a standard SFAR(1)<sub>S</sub> associated with a strong white noise  $\varepsilon$  and such that  $I - \Phi$  is invertible. Then

$$\frac{(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_T)}{\sqrt{T}} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \Gamma),$$

where  $\Gamma = (I - \Phi)^{-1} C_\varepsilon (I - \Phi^*)^{-1}$ .

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# Method of Moments

## Covariance operator

$$C_k^X = E(X_t \otimes X_{t-k})$$

$$\hat{C}_k^X = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=k+1}^T X_t \otimes X_{t-k}$$

## Eigendecomposition

For any  $x \in H$ ,

$$\Phi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \langle x, \nu_j \rangle \Phi(\nu_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_S^X(\nu_j)}{\lambda_j} \langle x, \nu_j \rangle$$

■ Estimate  $\lambda_j$  and  $\nu_j$  from  $\hat{C}_0^X$ .

■  $\hat{\Phi}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^J \frac{\hat{C}_S^X(\hat{\nu}_j)}{\hat{\lambda}_j} \langle x, \hat{\nu}_j \rangle$

# Unconditional Least Squares

Let  $X_{tk} = \langle X_t, \nu_k \rangle$  be projection of the  $t$ th observation onto the  $k$ th largest FPC.

$$X_{tk} = \sum_{j=1}^p \Phi_{kj} X_{t-S,j} + \delta_{tk}, \quad k = 1, \dots, p$$

where  $\Phi_{kj} = \langle \Phi(\nu_j), \nu_k \rangle$ . Note that the  $\delta_{tk}$  are not iid.

- Replace  $\nu_k$  by  $\hat{\nu}_k$  to get  $\hat{X}_{tk}$

# Unconditional Least Squares

Set  $\mathbf{X}_t = (\hat{X}_{t1}, \dots, \hat{X}_{tp})'$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\delta}_t = (\delta_{t1}, \dots, \delta_{tp})'$ ,

$\boldsymbol{\Phi} = (\Phi_{11}, \dots, \Phi_{1p}, \Phi_{21}, \dots, \Phi_{2p}, \dots, \Phi_{p1}, \dots, \Phi_{pp})'$ .

$$\mathbf{Z}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'_t & \mathbf{0}'_p & \dots & \mathbf{0}'_p \\ \mathbf{0}'_p & \mathbf{X}'_t & \dots & \mathbf{0}'_p \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0}'_p & \mathbf{0}'_p & \dots & \mathbf{X}'_t \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 \\ \mathbf{X}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_N \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\delta} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \delta_N \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{1-S} \\ \mathbf{Z}_{2-S} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Z}_{N-S} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}} = (\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{X}$$

# The Kargin-Onatski Method

Find  $A$ , approximating  $\Phi$ , minimizing  $E\|X_t - A(X_{t-s})\|^2$ .

Let  $\hat{C}_\alpha = \hat{C}_0 + \alpha I$ ,  $\alpha > 0$

Let  $\{v_{\alpha,i}\}$  be eigenfunctions of  $\hat{C}_\alpha^{-1/2} \hat{C}'_s \hat{C}_s \hat{C}_\alpha^{-1/2}$ ,  
corresponding to eigenvalues  $\{\hat{u}_{\alpha,i}\}$ ,  $\hat{u}_{\alpha,j} > \hat{u}_{\alpha,j+1}$ .

$$\hat{\Phi}_{\alpha,k_T} = \sum_{i=1}^{k_T} \hat{C}_\alpha^{-1/2} v_{\alpha,i} \otimes \hat{C}_s \hat{C}_\alpha^{-1/2} v_{\alpha,i}.$$

$\hat{\Phi}_{\alpha,k_T}$  is a consistent estimator of  $\Phi$  if  $\{k_T\}$  is  
sequence of positive integers such that  
 $KT^{-1/4} \leq k_T \leq T$ , for some  $K > 0$  and  $\alpha \sim T^{-1/6}$ .

# Simulations

Let  $\{X_t\}$  follow a SFAR(1) $_S$  model,

$$X_t(u) = \Phi X_{t-S}(u) + \varepsilon_t(u), \quad t = 1, \dots, T,$$

where  $\Phi$  is an integral operator with *parabolic* kernel

$$k_\Phi(u, v) = \gamma_0 \left( 2 - (2u - 1)^2 - (2v - 1)^2 \right),$$

and  $\gamma_0$  is such that  $\|\Phi\|_S^2 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |k_\Phi(u, v)|^2 du dv = 0.9$ .

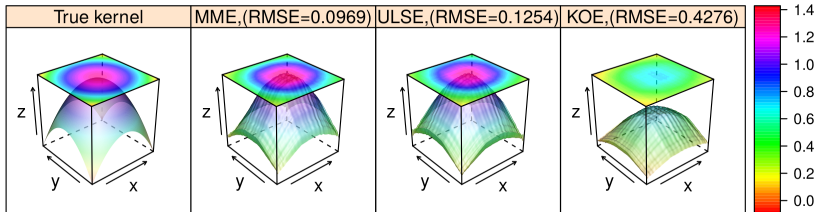
- White noise terms  $\varepsilon_t(u)$  are independent standard BM on  $[0, 1]$  with variance 0.05.
- $B = 1000$  trajectories simulated
- $\Phi$  estimated using MME, ULSE and KOE.

- $$\text{RMSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B \|\hat{\Phi}_i - \Phi\|_S^2}$$



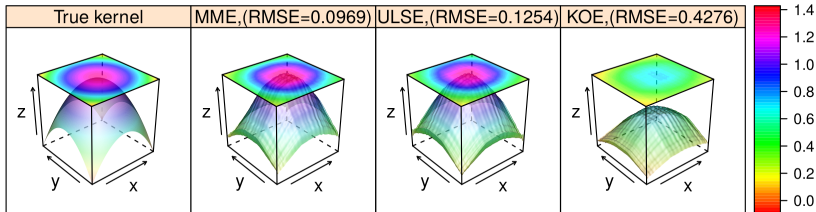
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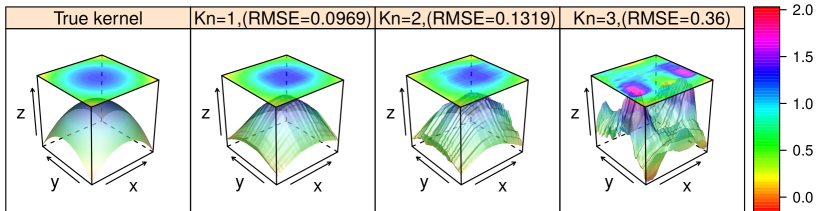


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# Simulations: RMSE

T	$k_T$	$\ \Phi\ _{\mathcal{S}} = 0.1$			$\ \Phi\ _{\mathcal{S}} = 0.5$			$\ \Phi\ _{\mathcal{S}} = 0.9$		
		MME	ULSE	KOE	MME	ULSE	KOE	MME	ULSE	KOE
50	1	0.1750	0.1645	0.0951	0.2403	0.2838	0.3716	0.1986	0.2323	0.5096
	2	0.5484	0.5189	0.0959	0.4931	0.7000	0.3720	0.4387	1.0381	0.5099
	3	1.0239	0.9657	0.0961	0.9988	1.1478	0.3721	1.0435	1.7282	0.5099
	4	1.5573	1.4934	0.0962	1.5340	1.6513	0.3721	1.6382	2.4725	0.5099
100	1	0.1222	0.1183	0.0861	0.2050	0.2579	0.3539	0.1387	0.1709	0.4134
	2	0.3662	0.3598	0.0866	0.3325	0.6087	0.3541	0.2743	0.9728	0.4136
	3	0.6830	0.6798	0.0868	0.6661	0.8723	0.3541	0.6694	1.3925	0.4136
	4	1.0645	1.0243	0.0868	1.0245	1.1973	0.3542	1.0193	1.9377	0.4136
150	1	0.1033	0.1027	0.0825	0.1946	0.2505	0.3460	0.1205	0.1517	0.3735
	2	0.2903	0.2900	0.0830	0.2666	0.5704	0.3462	0.2149	0.9478	0.3737
	3	0.5533	0.5449	0.0831	0.5387	0.7601	0.3462	0.5272	1.2493	0.3736
	4	0.8560	0.8237	0.0831	0.8256	1.0040	0.3462	0.8106	1.6683	0.3736
200	1	0.0917	0.0935	0.0798	0.1879	0.2457	0.3393	0.1114	0.1419	0.3496
	2	0.2490	0.2610	0.0803	0.2285	0.5568	0.3394	0.1818	0.9411	0.3497
	3	0.4790	0.4745	0.0804	0.4684	0.7047	0.3394	0.4542	1.1896	0.3497
	4	0.7438	0.7127	0.0804	0.7199	0.9042	0.3394	0.7040	1.5134	0.3497

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How to find  $\ell_0 \in \mathcal{L}(H^T, H)$  such that  $C_{\mathbf{X}_T, X_{T+h}} = \ell_0 C_{\mathbf{X}_T}$ ?

# Forecasting

**Forecast horizon**  $h = aS + c$ ,  $a \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq c < S$ .

$$C_{X_T, X_{T+h}}(\mathbf{x}) = E \left( \langle \mathbf{X}_T, \mathbf{x} \rangle_{H^T} X_{T+h} \right) = \Phi_{T-S+c}^{a+1} C_{X_T}(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $\Phi_j^i$  is an  $T$ -vector of zeros with  $\Phi^i$  in  $j$ th position.

$$\hat{X}_{T+h} = P_G X_{T+h} = \Phi_{T-S+c}^{a+1} \mathbf{X}_T = \Phi^{a+1} X_{T-S+c}$$

Based on KOE, 1-step ahead predictor of  $X_{T+1}$  is:

$$\hat{X}_{T+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{k_T} \langle X_{T-S+1}, \hat{z}_{\alpha,i} \rangle \hat{C}_S(\hat{z}_{\alpha,i}),$$

where 
$$\hat{z}_{\alpha,i} = \sum_{j=1}^q \hat{u}_j^{-1/2} \langle v_{\alpha,i}, \hat{v}_j \rangle \hat{v}_j + \alpha v_{\alpha,i}.$$

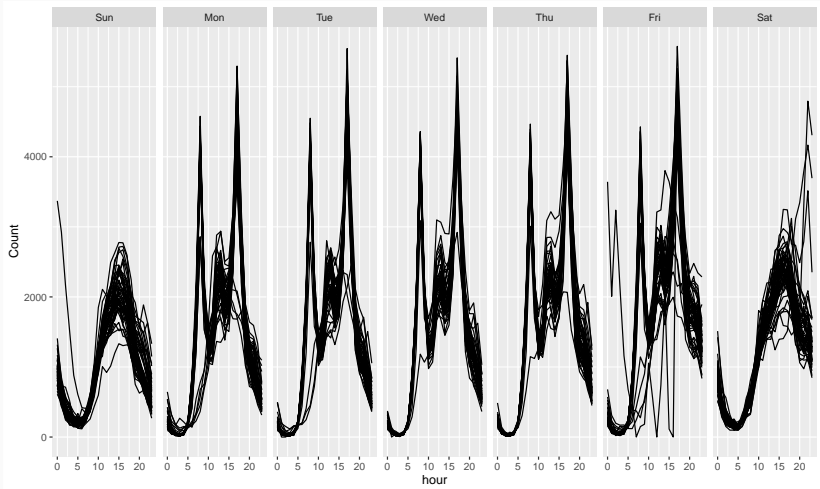
Select  $q$  by cumulative variance method and set  $k_T = q$ .



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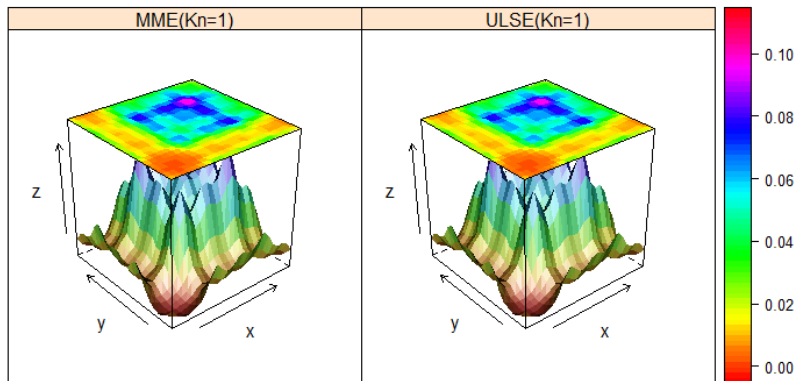
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The estimated kernel of the autocorrelation operator using MME and ULSE methods.



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## 1-step predictors for the last 7 days of the dataset

$k_T$	MAE		RMSE	
	MME	ULSE	MME	ULSE
1	198.7	197.9	201.7	201.0
2	202.8	99.1	205.6	99.7
3	315.3	199.8	319.7	207.0
4	418.4	155.8	423.4	157.5
5	508.0	267.5	515.0	301.6
6	645.6	168.0	655.2	169.5

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# SFAR( $P$ ) $_S$ processes

## Definition

A sequence  $\{X_t; t \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  of functional random variables is said to be a seasonal functional autoregressive process of order  $P$  with seasonality  $S$  if

$$X_t - \mu = \Phi_1 (X_{t-S} - \mu) + \cdots + \Phi_P (X_{t-PS} - \mu) + \varepsilon_t,$$

where  $\{\varepsilon_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is  $H$ -white noise,  $\mu \in H$ , and  $\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_P \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ , with  $\Phi_P \neq 0$ .

# SFAR( $P$ ) $_S$ processes

Let  $Y_t = (X_t, X_{t-S}, \dots, X_{t-PS+S})'$ ,  $\varepsilon'_t = (\varepsilon_t, 0, \dots, 0)'$ , and

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_1 & \Phi_2 & \dots & \Phi_P \\ I & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & I & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $I$  and  $0$  denote identity and zero operator on  $H$ .

## Lemma

*If  $X$  is a SFAR( $P$ ) $_S$  associated with associated with  $(\varepsilon, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_P)$ , then  $Y$  is a SFAR( $1$ ) $_S$  with values in the product Hilbert space  $H^P$  associated with  $(\varepsilon', \phi)$ .*

# SFAR( $P$ )<sub>S</sub> processes

## Theorem

Let  $X_n$  be a SFAR( $P$ )<sub>S</sub> zero-mean process associated with  $(\varepsilon, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_P)$ . Suppose that there exist  $\nu \in H$  and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_P \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\alpha_P \neq 0$ , such that  $\phi_j(\nu) = \alpha_j \nu_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, P$  and  $E \langle \varepsilon_0, \nu \rangle^2 > 0$ . Then,  $(\langle X_t, \nu \rangle, t \in \mathbb{Z})$  is a SAR( $P$ ) process, i.e.,

$$\langle X_t, \nu \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^P \alpha_j \langle X_{t-jS}, \nu \rangle + \langle \varepsilon_t, \nu \rangle, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



# SFAR( $P$ ) <sub>$S$</sub> processes

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If  $X$  is a standard SFAR( $P$ ) <sub>$S$</sub>  process, then

$$C_h = \sum_{j=1}^P \phi_j C_{h-jS}, \quad h = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$C_0 = \sum_{j=1}^P \phi_j C_{jS} + C_\varepsilon,$$

where  $C_\varepsilon$  is the covariance operator of the innovation process  $\varepsilon$ .