

Brockwell & Davis | Section 1.3.3 | General approach to time series modelling

Modeling X_t is like replacing ink in a pen.

$$X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t \quad (\star)$$

Remove the **body** which gives it its **shape**

$$X_t - \hat{m}_t = s_t + Y_t$$

Polynomial regression
MA smoothing
Exponential smoothing

Take off the **spring** pushing it **back & forth**

$$X_t - \hat{m}_t - \hat{s}_t = Y_t$$

Harmonic regression
Season (S1) method

Look at the **residual** ink.

Get ink tube that **fits our model of pen**

$$X_t - \hat{m}_t - \hat{s}_t = \hat{Y}_t$$

Various methods
you'll soon learn ♥

Put the **spring** on the new tube

$$X_t - \hat{m}_t = \hat{s}_t + \hat{Y}_t$$

Put the **body** of the pen back on

$$X_t = \hat{m}_t + \hat{s}_t + \hat{Y}_t$$

= unknown

= estimated

Stationarity

Time Series in the style of M.C. Escher

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Discrete Time Series Analysis

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We learned something Fri/Mon, in Time Series



Cauchy Schwarz Inequality

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y)^2 \leq \text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)$$

Inner product space?

Functions **E / Cov / Var** of linear combos

Modeling time series is like taking apart a pen

What do we tell quin?

Covariance Matrix Γ_N

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Random Vector: $\vec{X}_N = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$ *such as the time series X_t*

Covariance matrix describes **pairwise covariances**: $\Gamma_N[i, j] = \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_N[1, 1] &= \text{Cov}(X_1, X_1) \\ \Gamma_N[1, 2] &= \text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) \\ \Gamma_N[2, 1] &= \text{Cov}(X_2, X_1) \\ \Gamma_N[2, 2] &= \text{Cov}(X_2, X_2)\end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \text{Cov}(X_1, X_1) & \text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) \\ \text{Cov}(X_2, X_1) & \text{Cov}(X_2, X_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Correlation Matrix R_N



Also symmetric



All diagonal entries = 1

Same idea as Γ_N , except entries are

$$R_N[i, j] = \rho(X_i, X_j)$$

Properties of Γ_N | Proof if time permits

- 1) Symmetric (Recall: covariance is symmetric)
- 2) Non-negative Definite: $a^T \Gamma_N a \geq 0 \quad a \in \mathbb{R}^N$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \text{Var}(a^T \vec{X}) = \text{Cov}(a^T \vec{X}, a^T \vec{X}) \\ &= \text{Cov} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N a_i \vec{X}_i, \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \vec{X}_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ j=1}}^N a_i a_j \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = a^T \Gamma_N a \end{aligned}$$

Stationarity | Motivation

- 🕒 Γ_N is a basic quantity we want to estimate from our $\{\mathbf{X}_t\}$
- 🕒 Virtually impossible to do this without further assumptions

Example: how do we estimate $\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$?




We only have one observation (x_i, x_j)

from the joint distribution of (X_i, X_j)

Strong Stationarity

Definition: A time series $\{X_t\}$ is **strongly stationary** if

$\forall k \geq 1$ and $h \in \mathbb{Z}$, the joint distribution of $(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k})$
is the same as the joint distribution of $(X_{i_1+h}, \dots, X_{i_k+h})$

-  When $k = 1$: strongly stationary = identically distributed
-  Strong stationarity is rarely verifiable in practice
-  Not necessary for estimating second order stats (Var, Cov)

Weak Stationarity

Definition: A time series X is weakly stationary if

$$1) \quad E[X_t] = \mu \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$2) \quad \text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$$

$$3) \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \text{Cov}(X_{i+h}, X_{j+h}) \quad \forall i, j, h \in \mathbb{Z}$$

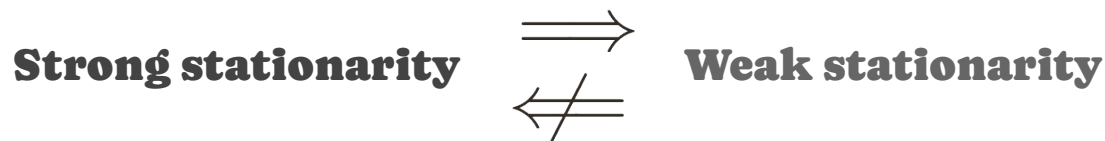
Weak Stationarity | Notes

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$$X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t \quad (\star)$$

Assume all models for Y_t are weakly stationary (unless I say otherwise)

“Stationary” will be shorthand for “weakly stationary”



For **stationary** time series, Γ_N can be expressed as function of 1 variable: **lag**

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

Stationarity | A cute visualization

For your assignment 🕒

you will determine whether a given $\{X_t\}$ is stationary

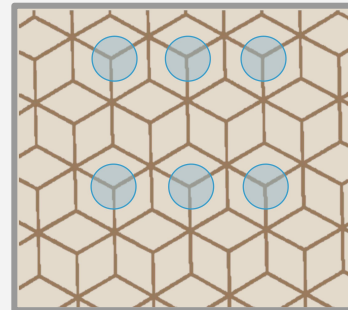
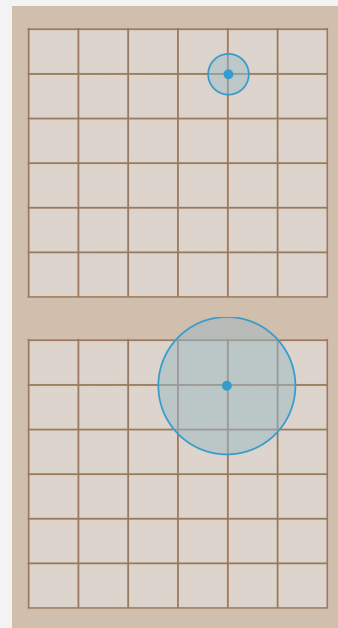
Use **covariance formulas & properties** from lecture to derive a closed form expression for $\text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t+h})$ as a **function** of t and/or h (not X_t)

Can you write this function in terms of h only? (Not t !)

If so, you've shown $\{X_t\}$ is **stationary**.

If not, explain why, and conclude $\{X_t\}$ is **nonstationary**

~ Then you get a Star 🌟



We learned something today, in Time Series 🕒



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