

# DS-GA 1018

# Modeling Time Series Data

## Lab 2

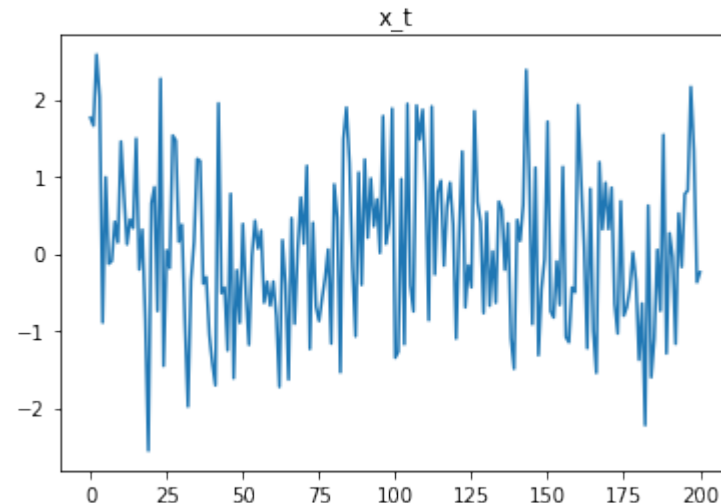
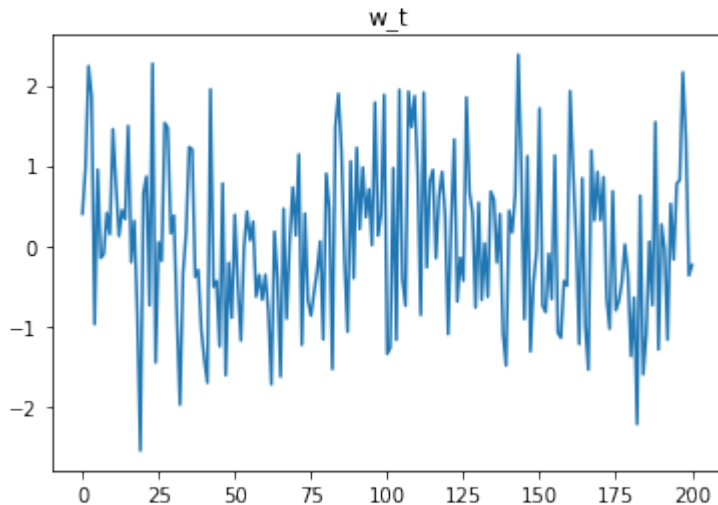
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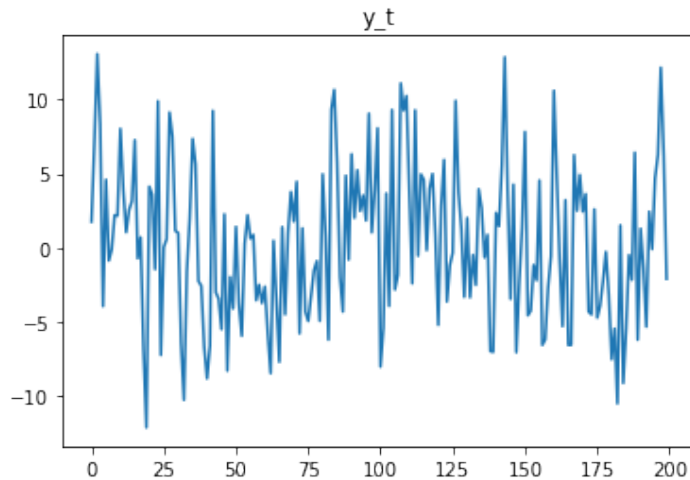
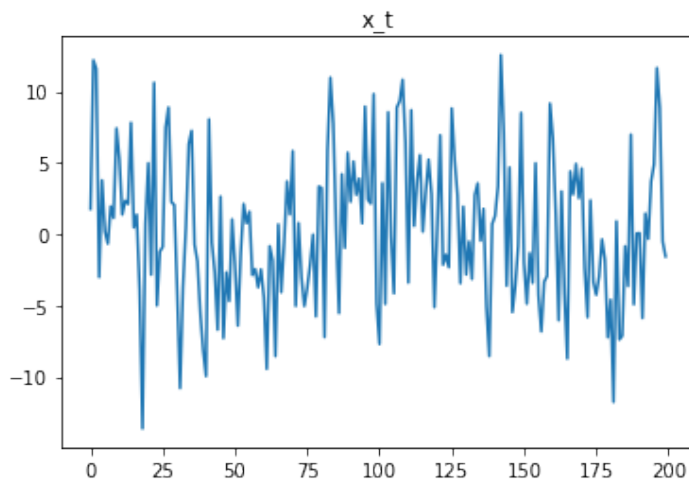
## ● Motivation - Parameter Redundancy

- $x_t = 0.5x_{t-1} - 0.5w_{t-1} + w_t$
- Is  $x_t$  the same as white noise  $w_t$ ?



## ● Motivation - MA Non-uniqueness

- $x_t = w_t + \frac{1}{5}w_{t-1}, w_t \sim N(0, 25)$
- $y_t = v_t + 5v_{t-1}, v_t \sim N(0, 1)$
- Are those two MA process the same?



- **Parameter Redundancy**

- When a model can be expressed using a simple model.
- How can we detect parameter redundancy?

- **Other Problems**

- Stationary series that depends on future
- MA models that are not unique

- **Backshift Operator**

**Definition 2.4** *We define the backshift operator by*

$$Bx_t = x_{t-1}$$

*and extend it to powers  $B^2x_t = B(Bx_t) = Bx_{t-1} = x_{t-2}$ , and so on. Thus,*

$$B^k x_t = x_{t-k}.$$

**Not a function, nor a polynomial. It's an operator that behaves like a polynomial.**

- **Example**

$$x_t = 0.5x_{t-1} - 0.5w_{t-1} + w_t$$

$$x_t - 0.5x_{t-1} = w_t - 0.5w_{t-1}$$

$$x_t - 0.5Bx_t = w_t - 0.5Bw_t$$

$$(1 - 0.5B)x_t = (1 - 0.5B)w_t$$

## ● ARMA Model

**Definition 3.5** A time series  $\{x_t; t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  is **ARMA**( $p, q$ ) if it is stationary and

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t + \theta_1 w_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q w_{t-q}, \quad (3.19)$$

with  $\phi_p \neq 0$ ,  $\theta_q \neq 0$ , and  $\sigma_w^2 > 0$ . The parameters  $p$  and  $q$  are called the autoregressive and the moving average orders, respectively. If  $x_t$  has a nonzero mean  $\mu$ , we set  $\alpha = \mu(1 - \phi_1 - \dots - \phi_p)$  and write the model as



- **Polynomial Form**

**Definition 3.6** *The AR and MA polynomials are defined as*

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \cdots - \phi_p z^p, \quad \phi_p \neq 0,$$

*and*

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \cdots + \theta_q z^q, \quad \theta_q \neq 0,$$

*respectively, where  $z$  is a complex number.*

## ● Causality

### Property 3.1 Causality of an ARMA( $p, q$ ) Process

*An ARMA( $p, q$ ) model is causal if and only if  $\phi(z) \neq 0$  for  $|z| \leq 1$ . The coefficients of the linear process given in (3.25) can be determined by solving*

$$\psi(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j z^j = \frac{\theta(z)}{\phi(z)}, \quad |z| \leq 1.$$

Another way to phrase **Property 3.1** is that *an ARMA process is causal only when the roots of  $\phi(z)$  lie outside the unit circle*; that is,  $\phi(z) = 0$  only when  $|z| > 1$ . Finally, to address the problem of uniqueness discussed in **Example 3.6**, we choose the model that allows an infinite autoregressive representation.

## ● Invertibility

**Definition 3.8** *An ARMA( $p, q$ ) model is said to be **invertible**, if the time series  $\{x_t; t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  can be written as*

$$\pi(B)x_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j x_{t-j} = w_t, \quad (3.26)$$

where  $\pi(B) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j B^j$ , and  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\pi_j| < \infty$ ; we set  $\pi_0 = 1$ .

Another way to phrase **Property 3.2** is that *an ARMA process is invertible only when the roots of  $\theta(z)$  lie outside the unit circle*; that is,  $\theta(z) = 0$  only when  $|z| > 1$ . The proof of **Property 3.1** is given in **Section B.2** (the proof of **Property 3.2** is similar). The following examples illustrate these concepts.

- **Example**

Consider the process

$$x_t = .4x_{t-1} + .45x_{t-2} + w_t + w_{t-1} + .25w_{t-2},$$

or, in operator form,

$$(1 - .4B - .45B^2)x_t = (1 + B + .25B^2)w_t.$$

## ● Example - Redundancy

At first,  $x_t$  appears to be an ARMA(2, 2) process. But notice that

$$\phi(B) = 1 - .4B - .45B^2 = (1 + .5B)(1 - .9B)$$

and

$$\theta(B) = (1 + B + .25B^2) = (1 + .5B)^2$$

have a common factor that can be canceled. After cancellation, the operators are  $\phi(B) = (1 - .9B)$  and  $\theta(B) = (1 + .5B)$ , so the model is an ARMA(1, 1) model,  $(1 - .9B)x_t = (1 + .5B)w_t$ , or

$$x_t = .9x_{t-1} + .5w_{t-1} + w_t. \quad (3.27)$$

- **Example - Invertibility & Causality**

$$\phi(B) = (1 - .9B) \text{ and } \theta(B) = (1 + .5B),$$

The model is causal because  $\phi(z) = (1 - .9z) = 0$  when  $z = 10/9$ , which is outside the unit circle. The model is also invertible because the root of  $\theta(z) = (1 + .5z)$  is  $z = -2$ , which is outside the unit circle.

**Proof in textbook section 3.1**

Given a time series  $X = \{x_t\}$  and an  $AR(p)$  model:

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \phi_2 x_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t$$

- **Model Selection**

- Select the model family (AR/MA/ARMA/...)
- Select hyper-parameters. (AR:p, MA:p, ARMA:p,q)

- **Parameter Estimation**

- Given  $X = \{x_t\}$  model family, and hyper-parameters find the set of model parameters that minimizes some loss function.

$$\{\phi_i\}$$

- **Forecast**

- Given model and model parameters and a set of data, calculate .

$$\{\phi_i\}$$

## ● Best Linear Predictor for AR(p)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \circ \quad \hat{x}_{t+1} &= \operatorname{argmax}_{x_{t+1}} (p_X(x_{t+1} | x_t, \dots, x_{t-p+1})) \\
 &= E(x_{t+1} | x_t, \dots, x_{t-p+1}) \\
 &= \mu + \phi_1(x_t - \mu) + \dots + \phi_p(x_{t-p+1} - \mu)
 \end{aligned}$$



## ● Method 1: MLE

- Our predictor  $\hat{x}_{t+1} = f_{\phi}(x_t, x_{t-1}, \dots, x_{t-p+1})$
- Likelihood

$$L(\Sigma_n, \mu, \phi) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} (v_0 v_1 \dots v_{n-1})^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(x_j - \hat{x}_j)^2}{v_{j-1}}\right)$$

- MLE Estimator

$$\phi^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} L(\Sigma_n, \mu, \phi)$$

## ● Method 2: Method of Moments

### Definitions.

(1)  $E(X^k)$  is the  $k^{th}$  **(theoretical) moment** of the distribution (**about the origin**), for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

(2)  $E[(X - \mu)^k]$  is the  $k^{th}$  **(theoretical) moment** of the distribution (**about the mean**), for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

(3)  $M_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k$  is the  $k^{th}$  **sample moment**, for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

(4)  $M_k^* = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^k$  is the  $k^{th}$  **sample moment about the mean**, for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

The basic idea behind this form of the method is to:

(1) Equate the first sample moment about the origin  $M_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}$  to the first theoretical moment  $E(X)$ .

(2) Equate the second sample moment about the origin  $M_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$  to the second theoretical moment  $E(X^2)$ .

(3) Continue equating sample moments about the origin,  $M_k$ , with the corresponding theoretical moments  $E(X^k)$ ,  $k = 3, 4, \dots$  until you have as many equations as you have parameters.

(4) Solve for the parameters.

- **Use Method of Moments on AR(p) model**
  - Express moments as functions of  $\phi$
  - Replace theoretical moments with empirical moments
  - Solve for  $\phi$
- **Assumption**
  - AR(p) process with  $\mu = 0$

- **Step 1:** Express moments as functions of  $\phi$

Consider the general AR( $p$ )

$$x_{i+1} = \phi_1 x_i + \phi_2 x_{i-1} + \cdots + \phi_n x_{i-n+1} + \xi_{i+1}.$$

- multiply by  $x_{i-p+1}$ ,

$$x_{i-p+1}x_{i+1} = \sum_{j=1}^p (\phi_j x_{i-p+1}x_{i-j+1}) + x_{i-p+1}\xi_{i+1},$$

- take expectance,

$$\langle x_{i-p+1}x_{i+1} \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^p (\phi_j \langle x_{i-p+1}x_{i-j+1} \rangle) + \langle x_{i-p+1}\xi_{i+1} \rangle$$

- **Step 1:** Express moments as functions of  $\phi$ 
  - eliminate the zero correlation forcing term

$$\langle x_{i-p+1} x_{i+1} \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^p (\phi_j \langle x_{i-p+1} x_{i-j+1} \rangle)$$

- divide through by  $(N - 1)$ , and use  $c_{-l} = c_l$ ,

$$c_p = \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j c_{j-p}$$

- divide through by  $c_o$ ,

$$r_p = \sum_{j=1}^p \phi_j r_{j-p}.$$

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Rewriting all the equations together yields

$$\begin{array}{rcllclclclclcl} r_1 & = & \phi_1 r_o & + & \phi_2 r_1 & + & \phi_3 r_2 & + & \cdots & + & \phi_{p-1} r_{p-2} & + & \phi_p r_{p-1} \\ r_2 & = & \phi_1 r_1 & + & \phi_2 r_o & + & \phi_3 r_1 & + & \cdots & + & \phi_{p-1} r_{p-3} & + & \phi_p r_{p-2} \\ & & & & & & \vdots & & & & & & \\ r_{p-1} & = & \phi_1 r_{p-2} & + & \phi_2 r_{p-3} & + & \phi_3 r_{p-4} & + & \cdots & + & \phi_{p-1} r_o & + & \phi_p r_1 \\ r_p & = & \phi_1 r_{p-1} & + & \phi_2 r_{p-2} & + & \phi_3 r_{p-3} & + & \cdots & + & \phi_{p-1} r_1 & + & \phi_p r_o \end{array}$$

which can also be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_{p-1} \\ r_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_o & r_1 & r_2 & \cdots & r_{p-2} & r_{p-1} \\ r_1 & r_o & r_1 & \cdots & r_{p-3} & r_{p-2} \\ & \vdots & & & \vdots & \\ r_{p-2} & r_{p-3} & r_{p-4} & \cdots & r_o & r_1 \\ r_{p-1} & r_{p-2} & r_{p-3} & \cdots & r_1 & r_o \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{p-1} \\ \phi_p \end{pmatrix}.$$

Recalling that  $r_o = 1$ , the above equation is also

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_{p-1} \\ r_p \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{r}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & r_1 & r_2 & \cdots & r_{p-2} & r_{p-1} \\ r_1 & 1 & r_1 & \cdots & r_{p-3} & r_{p-2} \\ & \vdots & & & \vdots & \\ r_{p-2} & r_{p-3} & r_{p-4} & \cdots & 1 & r_1 \\ r_{p-1} & r_{p-2} & r_{p-3} & \cdots & r_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{R}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{p-1} \\ \phi_p \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{\Phi}}$$

or succinctly

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{r}.$$

## Yule-Walker Equations



- **Step 2:** Replace theoretical moments with empirical moments
  - Replace auto-correlation  $r_i$  with empirical auto-correlations  $\hat{r}_i$
  - $R\Phi = r$  now becomes  $\hat{R}\Phi = \hat{r}$
  - We can estimate  $\hat{R}$  and  $\hat{r}$  from data!

- **Step 3: Solve for  $\phi$** 
  - $\hat{\Phi} = \hat{R}^{-1} \hat{r}$
  - Direct matrix inverse takes  $O(n^3)$

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