

STAT 679 - Assignment 1 - Due date is on the course outline

1. Let $\hat{\gamma}_{XY}(m)$ be the usual sample cross-covariance function for jointly stationary series $\{X_t, Y_t\}$, with data $\{x_t, y_t\}_{t=1}^n$. Show that

$$E[\hat{\gamma}_{XY}(m)] = \left(\frac{n-m}{n}\right) \{\gamma_{XY}(m) - \text{COV}[\bar{y}, \bar{x}^*] - \text{COV}[\bar{x}, \bar{y}_*] + \text{COV}[\bar{x}, \bar{y}]\},$$

where \bar{x}^* is the average of $\{x_t\}_{t=m+1}^n$ and \bar{y}_* is the average of $\{y_t\}_{t=1}^{n-m}$.

2. Assume $\mu_X = 0$; consider the problem of minimizing the function

$$f_m(\alpha_{1,m}, \dots, \alpha_{m,m}) = E[\{X_t - \alpha_{1,m}X_{t-1} - \dots - \alpha_{m,m}X_{t-m}\}^2],$$

which is the MSE when X_t is forecast by $\alpha_{1,m}X_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_{m,m}X_{t-m}$. Let the minimizers be $\alpha_{1,m}^*, \dots, \alpha_{m,m}^*$. The **lag-m PACF value**, written ϕ_{mm} , is defined to be $\alpha_{m,m}^*$. Show that

$$\phi_{mm} = \text{CORR}[X_t - \hat{X}_t, X_{t-m} - \hat{X}_{t-m}],$$

where each \hat{X} denotes the best (i.e. minimum MSE) predictor which is a linear function of $X_{t-1}, \dots, X_{t-m+1}$.

3. The obvious estimate of

$$f(\nu_k) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i \nu_k m} \gamma(m),$$

using data $\{x_t\}_{t=1}^n$ is

$$\hat{f}(\nu_k) = \sum_{m=-(n-1)}^{n-1} e^{-2\pi i \nu_k m} \hat{\gamma}(m).$$

Show that this reduces to the periodogram:

$$\hat{f}(\nu_k) = I(\nu_k) = |X(k)|^2.$$

4. Suppose that $\{X_t\}$ is AR(2), mean zero and stationary.

(a) In the representation

$$X_t = w_t + \psi_1 w_{t-1} + \psi_2 w_{t-2} + \dots$$

show that

$$\psi_k = \phi_1 \psi_{k-1} + \phi_2 \psi_{k-2}, \text{ where } \psi_1 = \phi_1, \psi_0 = 1.$$

- (b) Obtain a closed form expression for ψ_k . (*Hint*: write $\psi_k - b\psi_{k-1} = a(\psi_{k-1} - b\psi_{k-2})$ for suitable constants a and b ; then iterate.)

5. Suppose that filter coefficients are approximated by

$$a_s^M = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} A(\omega_k) e^{2\pi i \omega_k s}$$

and then $Y_t^M = \sum_{|s| < M/2} a_s^M X_{t-s}$ for $t = M/2 - 1, \dots, n - M/2$.

- (a) Show that these coefficients are real and symmetric ($a_s^M = a_{-s}^M$), if A is real and symmetric: $A(\omega) = A(-\omega)$.

- (b) Show that

$$a_s^M = \sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} a_t [I(t-s \text{ is a multiple of } M)].$$

- (c) Establish the bound in Problem 4.32:

$$E \left[(Y_t^M - Y_t)^2 \right] \leq 4\gamma_X(0) \left(\sum_{|k| \geq M/2} |a_k| \right)^2.$$