

Time Series

(Due: Tu., 11.11.2008, 1:15 pm, in the exercise classes)

1. Let $(X_t, t \in \mathbb{Z})$ be a stochastic process with

$$X_t = \varepsilon_t - \theta\varepsilon_{t-1},$$

where $(\varepsilon_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is white noise.

- (a) Show, that the coefficients $(\phi_{n,j})$ for the best linear prediction of X_{n+1} given X_1, \dots, X_n ,

i.e. $\hat{X}_{n+1} = \sum_{j=1}^n \phi_{n,j} X_{n+1-j}$, fulfill:

$$\begin{aligned} -\theta\phi_{n,j-1} + (1 + \theta^2)\phi_{n,j} - \theta\phi_{n,j+1} &= 0, \quad \forall j = 2, \dots, n-1 \\ (1 + \theta^2)\phi_{n,n} - \theta\phi_{n,n-1} &= 0 \\ (1 + \theta^2)\phi_{n,1} - \theta\phi_{n,2} &= -\theta \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Show that

$$\phi_{n,n} = -\frac{\theta^n(1 - \theta^2)}{1 - \theta^{2(n+1)}}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

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2. The files S1.dat, S2.dat, S3.dat and S4.dat each contain a realization of one of the following stochastic processes (X_t) :

$$\text{P1: } X_t = 2t \sin t + \varepsilon_t$$

$$\text{P2: } X_t = 10 + 20t + \varepsilon_t$$

$$\text{P3: } X_t = 0.3X_{t-1} + 0.4X_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

$$\text{P4: } X_t = \varepsilon_t - 0.7\varepsilon_{t-1},$$

where ε_t is white noise. Compute the theoretical PACF in the P3 case. Use R (or any other convenient software package) to compute the (partial) autocorrelation function of the realizations. Decide which path belongs to which model and give reason for your decision.

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