

1. Specify the exact likelihood of a Gaussian AR(2) process.

Solution: The likelihood is seen to be

$$f(\mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\phi}, \sigma_a^2) = f(\mathbf{z}_{(2)}|\mathbf{z}_2, \boldsymbol{\phi}, \sigma_a^2)f(\mathbf{z}_2|\boldsymbol{\phi}, \sigma_a^2),$$

where $\mathbf{z}_2 = (z_1, z_2)^T$ and $\mathbf{z}_{(2)} = (z_3, \dots, z_n)^T$. One has

$$f(\mathbf{z}_{(2)}|\mathbf{z}_2, \boldsymbol{\phi}, \sigma_a^2) \propto (\sigma_a^2)^{-(n-2)/2} \exp\left(-\sum_{t=3}^n a_t^2/2\sigma_a^2\right),$$

where $a_t = z_t - \phi_1 z_{t-1} - \phi_2 z_{t-2}$, and

$$f(\mathbf{z}_2|\boldsymbol{\phi}, \sigma_a^2) \propto (\sigma_a^2)^{-1} |\mathbf{M}_2|^{1/2} \exp(-\mathbf{z}_2^T \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{z}_2 / 2\sigma_a^2),$$

where

$$\mathbf{M}_2 = (1 - \phi_2^2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\phi_1/(1 - \phi_2) \\ -\phi_1/(1 - \phi_2) & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \phi_2^2 & -\phi_1(1 + \phi_2) \\ -\phi_1(1 + \phi_2) & 1 - \phi_2^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The log likelihood is thus

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{n}{2} \log \sigma_a^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log \{(1 + \phi_2)^2 ((1 - \phi_2)^2 - \phi_1^2)\} \\ & - \frac{1}{2\sigma_a^2} \{(1 - \phi_2^2)(z_1^2 + z_2^2) - 2\phi_1(1 + \phi_2)z_1 z_2 + \sum_{t=3}^n (z_t - \phi_1 z_{t-1} - \phi_2 z_{t-2})^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Specify the innovations coefficients $\theta_{t,j}$ and variance v_t for an ARMA(2,1) process. To simplify the notation, you may choose to express things also in terms of $\gamma_0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$, etc. instead of exclusively in terms of ϕ_1, ϕ_2, θ_1 , and σ_a^2 .

Solution: For ARMA(2,1), one has $u_t = z_t I_{[t \leq 2]} + (a_t - \theta a_{t-1}) I_{[t > 2]}$. $E[u_t u_s] = \kappa_{t,s}$ for $s \leq t$ are given by

$$\kappa_{t,s} = \begin{cases} \gamma_{t-s}, & t \leq 2, \\ (1 + \theta^2)\sigma_a^2, & s = t > 2, \\ -\theta\sigma_a^2, & s + 1 = t > 2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The recursive algorithm yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_0 &= \kappa_{1,1} = \gamma_0, \\
 \theta_{1,1} &= \kappa_{2,1}/v_0 = \gamma_1/\gamma_0 = \rho_1, \\
 v_1 &= \kappa_{2,2} - \theta_{1,1}^2 v_0 = (1 - \rho_1^2)\gamma_0, \\
 \theta_{2,2} &= \kappa_{3,1}/v_0 = 0, \\
 \theta_{2,1} &= \kappa_{3,2}/v_1 = -\theta\sigma_a^2/v_1 = -\theta/\tilde{v}_1, \\
 v_2 &= \kappa_{3,3} - \theta_{2,1}^2 v_1 = \sigma_a^2(1 + \theta^2 - \theta^2/\tilde{v}_1) = \sigma_a^2(1 + \theta^2(\tilde{v}_1 - 1)/\tilde{v}_1) = \sigma_a^2\tilde{v}_2, \\
 \theta_{3,3} &= \theta_{3,2} = 0, \\
 \theta_{3,1} &= \kappa_{4,3}/v_2 = -\theta\sigma_a^2/v_2 = -\theta/\tilde{v}_2, \\
 v_3 &= \kappa_{4,4} - \theta_{3,1}^2 v_2 = \sigma_a^2(1 + \theta^2(\tilde{v}_2 - 1)/\tilde{v}_2) = \sigma_a^2\tilde{v}_3, \\
 &\dots \\
 \theta_{t,j} &= 0, \quad j > 1, \\
 \theta_{t,1} &= \kappa_{t+1,t}/v_{t-1} = -\theta\sigma_a^2/v_{t-1} = -\theta/\tilde{v}_{t-1}, \\
 v_t &= \sigma_a^2(1 + \theta^2(\tilde{v}_{t-1} - 1)/\tilde{v}_{t-1}) = \sigma_a^2\tilde{v}_t, \\
 &\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

3. For an ARMA(2,1) process, specify equations one may solve to obtain $\tilde{\gamma}_0, \tilde{\gamma}_1, \tilde{\gamma}_2$ in terms of ϕ_1, ϕ_2, θ , where $\tilde{\gamma}_k = \gamma_k/\sigma_a^2$.

Solution: One may solve from

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\phi_1 & -\phi_2 \\ -\phi_1 & 1 - \phi_2 & 0 \\ -\phi_2 & -\phi_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\gamma}_0 \\ \tilde{\gamma}_1 \\ \tilde{\gamma}_2 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $b_0 = \theta_0\psi_0 + \theta_1\psi_1 = -1 + \theta(\phi_1 - \theta)$, $b_1 = \theta_0\psi_{-1} + \theta_1\psi_0 = \theta$, and $b_2 = \theta_0\psi_{-2} + \theta_1\psi_{-1} = 0$.