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QUIZ SOLUTIONS 1

1a. General

2a. Period

3. Plot # 1: Homo or hetero

Plot # 3: Not obvious... Sinoidal shape = correlation

Plot # 4: Clear correlation

4. Things that require distribution assumption \rightarrow F

ASSIGNMENT 1

\rightarrow Derivation problems (today).



\Rightarrow We need different models than the classical decomposition one.

\Rightarrow Lay foundation (theory). Then, practical.

Generally speaking, a **time series** is a **stochastic process** indexed by time.

Specifically, we have a sequence of random variables

Sequence of random variables

$$\{Y_t: t \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

random var

where t is an index of time.

(Think about discrete time series — practical)

y_t

\rightarrow observation from Y_t .

We want to model/analyse data over time, and to do so, we need **time series models**.

Such a model specifies the joint distribution of $\{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$

$$P(Y_1 \leq y_1, Y_2 \leq y_2, \dots, Y_n \leq y_n) \text{ for } y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \in \mathbb{R}.$$

↳ Think of a joint CDF.

However, specifying this full distribution is generally not possible in practice since there is not enough information to estimate all of the parameters such a model would rely on.

⇒ Most information is contained in the lower moments of the model's distribution.

BUT most of a distribution information is contained in the 1st and 2nd moment.

• **1st moment**: $E[Y_t]$ for $t=1, 2, 3, \dots$
(Mean)

• **2nd moment**: $E[Y_t Y_{t+h}]$ for $t=1, 2, 3, \dots$
 $h=0, 1, 2, \dots$
(Variances + covariances) when $t \neq h$: separation in time

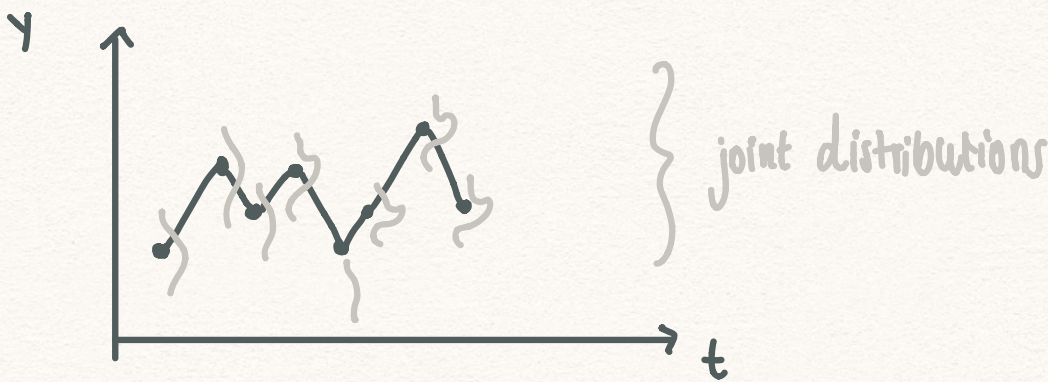
The special case: **Multivariate normal** distribution is specified entirely by its 1st and 2nd moments.

$$\vec{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)^T \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{\mu}, \Sigma)$$

$$\text{where } \mu_i = E[Y_i]$$

$$\Sigma_{ii} = \text{Var}(Y_i)$$

$$\Sigma_{ij} = \text{Cov}(Y_i, Y_j)$$



Take away: We don't need the whole joint distribution, our modeling will be based on 2nd order properties.

There will be some loss of information, but it won't be substantial.

(No loss in the spectral case).

Zero-mean model \Rightarrow overly simplistic

- IID noise, where IID = identically and independently distributed

$$\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim \text{IID}(0, \sigma^2)$$

set
1, ..., n

\downarrow It could be any distribution.
(more general than normal).

$\rightarrow \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_t] = 0 \quad \forall t.$

$\rightarrow \text{Var}(\varepsilon_t) = \sigma^2 < \infty \quad \forall t.$

$\rightarrow \varepsilon_t$ and ε_{t+h} are independent for $h > 0$. (independent)

\rightarrow Every ε_t is identically distributed.

White noise $\text{rad}(0?) \rightarrow$ same variance more general, more relaxed

$$\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim \text{WN}(0, \sigma^2)$$

$\rightarrow \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_t] = 0 \quad \forall t. \quad (\text{zero mean})$

$\rightarrow \text{Var}(\varepsilon_t) = \sigma^2 < \infty \quad \forall t. \quad (\text{constant variance})$

$\rightarrow \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_{t+h}) = 0$ for $h > 0$. (uncorrelated)

\rightarrow Every ε_t is identically distributed.

Different from independent
because of \Rightarrow
(except normal distribution)



IID noise is a special case of WN.

uncorr \nrightarrow indep

Random walk



$$\varepsilon_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{w/ probability } 1/2 \\ -1 & \text{w/ probability } 1/2 \end{cases} \left. \vphantom{\varepsilon_t} \right\} \text{independently Bernoulli}$$

$$S_t = \sum_{k=1}^t \varepsilon_k$$

and $S_0 = 0$.

$$\bullet \text{IE}[S_t] = \sum_{k=1}^t \text{IE}[\varepsilon_k] = \sum_{k=1}^t [(1)(1/2) + (-1)(1/2)] = 0,$$

Once you account for season & trend, account for correlation in error terms.

Stationary: Basic fundamental bubble
 \hookrightarrow we hope it's left over from season & trend
 consistent, expected

Strictly Stationary

A time series $\{y_t\}$ is said to be **strictly stationary** if the joint distribution of $y_{t_1}, y_{t_2}, \dots, y_{t_n}$ is the same as that of

$$y_{t_1+h}, y_{t_2+h}, \dots, y_{t_n+h}$$



In other words, $\{Y_t\}$ is strictly stationary if all of its statistical properties remain the same under time shifts.

- Difficult to verify
- Never satisfied
- Require first 2 moments - weak

In practice, this is difficult to verify, and even if you can, it is rarely satisfied. This motivates the need for a weaker definition of stationarity.

But first, we will define the **mean function**:

$$\mu(t) = E[Y_t]$$

The **covariance function**:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(r, s) &= \text{Cov}(Y_r, Y_s) = E[(Y_r - E[Y_r])(Y_s - E[Y_s])] \\ &= E[Y_r Y_s] - E[Y_r]E[Y_s] \end{aligned}$$

↳ what happens when independent?

Weak Stationary we most often strict \Rightarrow weak

A time series $\{Y_t\}$ is said to be **weakly stationary** if

(i) $\mu(t) = E[Y_t]$ is independent of t .

(ii) $\gamma(t, t+h) =$ is independent of t for all h .

should look exactly the same, only depend on h . (lag separation).

i.e. covariance only depends on the distance h - not t .

In this scenario $\mu(t) = \mu$, $\gamma(t, t+h) = \gamma(h)$.

• Strict stationary \Rightarrow weak stationary

It is not stationary \Rightarrow different path.

Example: $\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim IID(0, \sigma^2)$ is IID stationary?

• $\mu(t) = E[\varepsilon_t] = 0$ ✓ Independent of t

• $\gamma(t, t+h) = \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_{t+h}) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & \text{if } h=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } h \neq 0 \end{cases}$ ✓ Independent of t
↳ factory

$\therefore IID(0, \sigma^2)$ is (weakly) stationary.
you could also say it is strict stationary.

⇒ Same for white noise. (No factoring, but cov stru zero).

By similar argument, you can show that $WN(0, \sigma^2)$ is weakly stationary.

Example: Random walk

$\{S_t\}$ where $S_t = \sum_{k=1}^t \epsilon_k$ and $\{\epsilon_k\} \sim \text{IID}(0, \sigma^2)$

• $\mu(t) = \mathbb{E}[S_t] = \sum_{k=1}^t \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_k] = 0$

• $\gamma(t, t+h) = \text{cov}(S_t, S_{t+h})$

= $\text{cov}(S_t, S_t + \epsilon_{t+1} + \epsilon_{t+2} + \dots + \epsilon_{t+h})$

= $\text{cov}(S_t, S_t) + \text{cov}(S_t, \epsilon_{t+1}) + \dots$

+ $\text{cov}(S_t, \epsilon_{t+h})$

explode: subscript always different. because ϵ_k are independent.

= $\text{var}(S_t)$

= $\mathbb{E}[S_t^2] - \mathbb{E}[S_t]^2$

= $\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^t \epsilon_k\right)^2\right]$

= $\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{k=1}^t \epsilon_k^2 + 2 \sum_{i < j} \epsilon_i \epsilon_j\right]$

= $\sum_{k=1}^t \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_k^2] + 2 \sum_{i < j} \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_i \epsilon_j]$

= $\sum_{k=1}^t \text{var}[\epsilon_k] + \sum_{i < j} \text{cov}(\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j)$ (indp all comp) $\mathbb{E}[\epsilon_i \epsilon_j] = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_i] \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_j]$

= $\sum_{k=1}^t \sigma^2$

= $t \sigma^2$. **X** (not independent of t) \therefore the random walk is not (weakly) stationary.

Covariance function depends on t \therefore random walk is not weakly stationary.

Example:

First order
Moving average model of order one

Notation: $MA(1)$

Consider the time series $\{Y_t\}$ with model

$$Y_t = \varepsilon_t + \theta \varepsilon_{t-1}$$

where $\{\varepsilon_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$.

TASK: show $\{Y_t\}$ is stationary.

• $E[Y_t] = \mu(t) = E[\varepsilon_t + \theta \varepsilon_{t-1}]$

$= E[\varepsilon_t] + \theta E[\varepsilon_{t-1}] = 0.$

✓ indep. of t

• $Cov(Y_t, Y_{t+h}) = \gamma(t, t+h)$

$= Cov(\varepsilon_t + \theta \varepsilon_{t-1}, \varepsilon_{t+h} + \theta \varepsilon_{t+h-1})$

$= Cov(\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_{t+h}) +$

$\theta Cov(\varepsilon_t, \theta \varepsilon_{t+h-1}) +$

$\theta Cov(\theta \varepsilon_{t-1}, \varepsilon_{t+h}) +$

$\theta^2 Cov(\theta \varepsilon_{t-1}, \theta \varepsilon_{t+h-1})$

$= \begin{cases} \sigma^2 (1 + \theta^2) & h=0 \\ \theta \sigma^2 & h=1 \\ 0 & h \geq 2 \end{cases}$

↑ mismatch

✓ indep of t

∴ $MA(1)$ is stationary.

↳ ... $\frac{Cov}{Std}$ autocorr ACF

what is the std of Y ?