

Introduction to Time Series Analysis. Lecture 9.

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Review: Linear prediction

Given $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$, the best linear predictor of X_{n+m} satisfies the prediction equations

$$X_{n+m} = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i$$

$$E(X_{n+m} - X_{n+m}) = 0$$

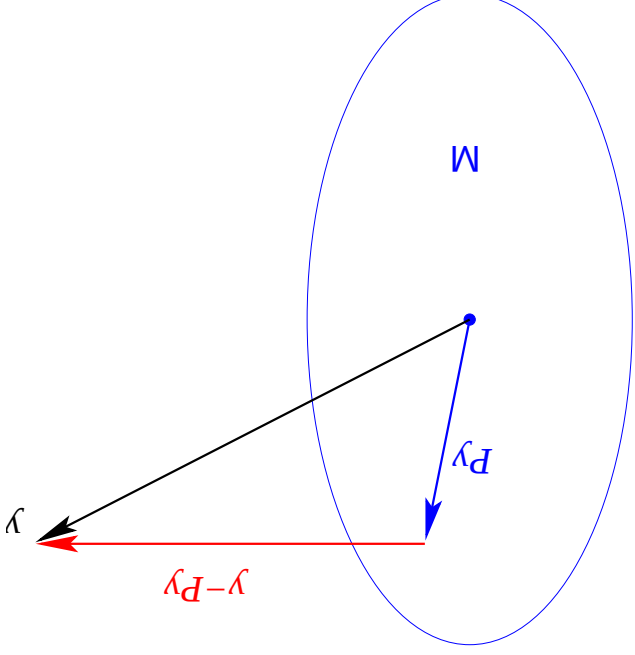
$$E[(X_{n+m} - X_{n+m})X_i] = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

That is, the prediction errors $(X_{n+m} - X_{n+m})$ are uncorrelated with the prediction variables $(1, X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

Review: Projection Theorem

If $\mathcal{H}$ is a Hilbert space,
 $\mathcal{M}$ is a closed linear subspace of $\mathcal{H}$,
and $y \in \mathcal{H}$,
then there is a point $P_y \in \mathcal{M}$
(the **projection of y on $\mathcal{M}$**)
satisfying

1. $\|Py - y\| \leq \|w - y\|$ for $w \in \mathcal{M}$,
2. $\|Py - y\| < \|w - y\|$ for $w \in \mathcal{M}, w \neq y$
3. $\langle y - Py, w \rangle = 0$ for $w \in \mathcal{M}$.



Review: One-step-ahead linear prediction

$$X_n^{n+1} = \phi_{n1} X_n + \phi_{n2} X_{n-1} + \dots + \phi_{nn} X_1$$

$$\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n,$$

$$P_{n+1}^n = E \left(X_{n+1}^n - X_n^{n+1} \right)^2 = \gamma(0) - \gamma_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n,$$

$$\Gamma_n = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(0) & \dots & \gamma(n-1) & \gamma(n-2) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \gamma(n-2) & \dots & \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) \\ \gamma(n-1) & \dots & \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\phi_n = (\phi_{n1}, \phi_{n2}, \dots, \phi_{nn})', \quad \gamma_n = (\gamma(1), \gamma(2), \dots, \gamma(n))'.$$

Review: The prediction operator

For random variables $Y, Z_1, \dots, Z_n$, define the **best linear prediction of Y given $Z = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)'$** as the operator $P(\cdot|Z)$ applied to Y :

$$P(Y|Z) = \mu_Y + \phi'(Z - \mu_Z)$$

with

$$\Gamma\phi = \gamma,$$

where

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Review: Properties of the prediction operator

1. $E(Y - P(Y|Z)) = 0, E((Y - P(Y|Z))(Z)) = 0.$
2. $E((Y - P(Y|Z))^2) = \text{Var}(Y) - \phi'\gamma.$
3. $P(\alpha_1 Y_1 + \alpha_2 Y_2 + \alpha_0 | Z) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 P(Y_1 | Z) + \alpha_2 P(Y_2 | Z).$
4. $P(Z_i | Z) = Z_i.$
5. $P(Y|Z) = EY$ if $\gamma = 0.$

Partial autocovariance function

AR(1) model:

$$X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-1} + W_t$$

$$\gamma(1) = \text{Cov}(X_0, X_1) = \phi_1 \gamma(0)$$

$$\gamma(2) = \text{Cov}(X_0, X_2)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(X_0, \phi_1 X_1 + W_2)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(X_0, \phi_2^1 X_0 + \phi_1 W_1 + W_2)$$

$$= \phi_2^1 \gamma(0).$$

Clearly, X_0 and X_2 are correlated through X_1 .

In the PACF, we remove this dependence by considering the covariance of the *prediction errors* of X_1^2 and X_0^1 .

Partial autocovariance function

For AR(1) model:

$$X_1^2 = \phi_1 X_1,$$

$$X_1^0 = \phi_1 X_1,$$

so

$$\text{Cov}(X_1^2 - X_2, X_1^0 - X_0) = \text{Cov}(\phi_1 X_1 - X_2, \phi_1 X_1 - X_0)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(W_2, \phi_1 X_1 - X_0)$$

$$= 0.$$

Partial autocorrelation function

The Partial AutoCorrelation Function (PACF) of a stationary time series $\{X_t\}$ is

$$\phi_{11} = \text{Corr}(X_1, X_0) = \rho(1)$$

$$\phi_{hh} = \text{Corr}(X_h - X_{h-1}^h, X_0 - X_0^{h-1}) \quad \text{for } h = 2, 3, \dots$$

This removes the linear effects of $X_1, \dots, X_{h-1}$:

$$\dots, X_{-1}, \overline{X_0}, \overbrace{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{h-1}}^{\text{partial out}}, \overline{X_h}, X_{h+1}, \dots$$

Partial autocorrelation function

The PACF ϕ_{hh} is also the last coefficient in the best linear prediction of X_{h+1} given $X_1, \dots, X_h$:

$$\Gamma_h \phi_h = \gamma_h \quad X_h^{h+1} \phi'_h = X_h$$

$$\phi_h = (\phi_{h1}, \phi_{h2}, \dots, \phi_{hh}) \cdot$$

Example: Forecasting an AR(p)

$$\text{For } X_t = \sum_d \phi_d X_{t-d} + W_t,$$

$$X_{n+1}^u = P(X_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$= P \left(\sum_d \phi_d X_{n+1-d} + W_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n \right) \\ = \sum_d \phi_d P(X_{n+1-d} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ = \sum_d \phi_d X_{n+1-d} \text{ for } n \geq p.$$

Example: PACF of an AR(p)

$$\text{For } X_t = \sum_{d=1}^i \phi_d X_{t-d} + W_t,$$

$$X_{n+1}^u = \sum_{d=1}^i \phi_d X_{n+1-u-d}.$$

$$\text{Thus, } \phi_{hh} = \begin{cases} \phi_h & \text{if } 1 \leq h \leq p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Example: PACF of an invertible MA(q)

$$\text{For } X_t = \sum_{q=1}^q \theta_q W_{t-q} + W_t, \quad X_t = - \sum_{\infty}^q \pi_q X_{t-q} + W_t,$$

$$X_{n+1}^n = P(X_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

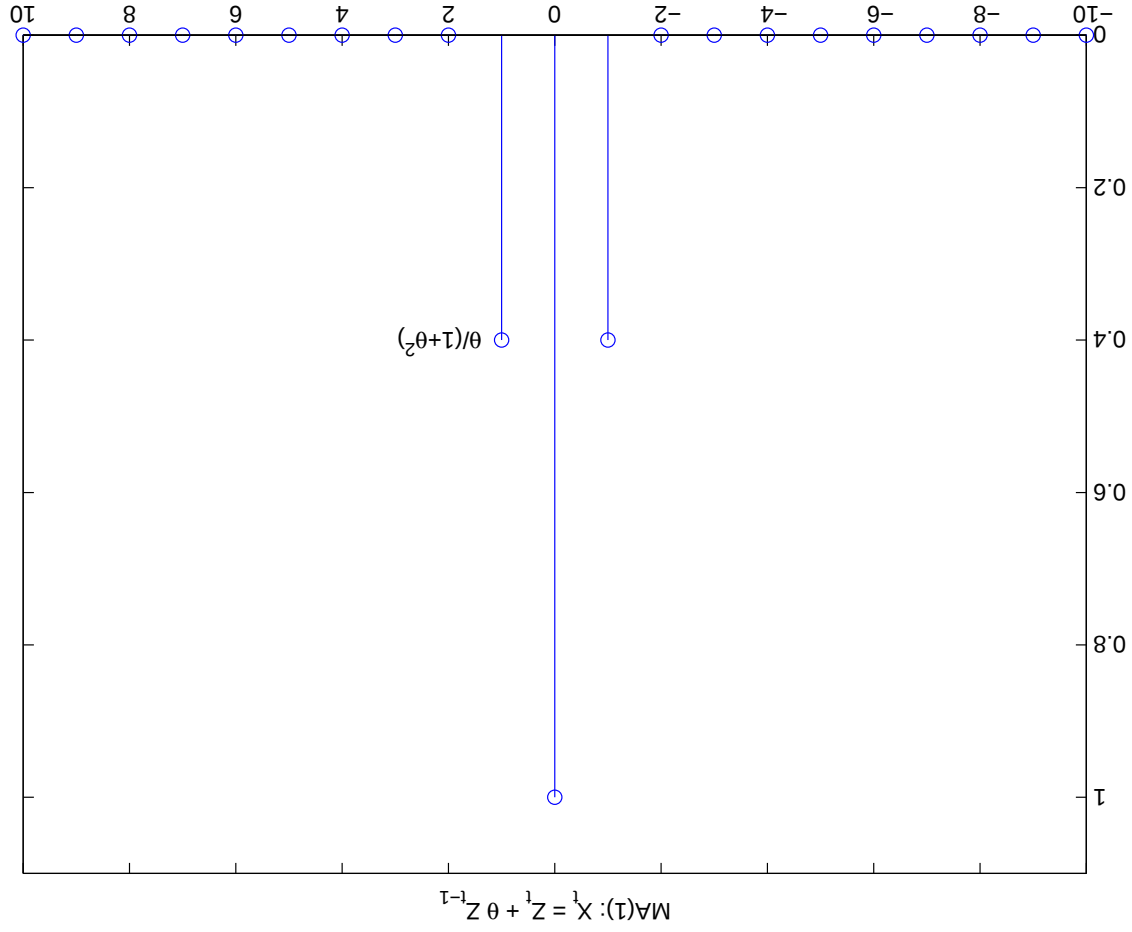
$$= P \left(\sum_{\infty}^q \pi_q X_{n+1-q} + W_t | X_1, \dots, X_n \right)$$

$$= \sum_{\infty}^q \pi_q P(X_{n+1-q} | X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

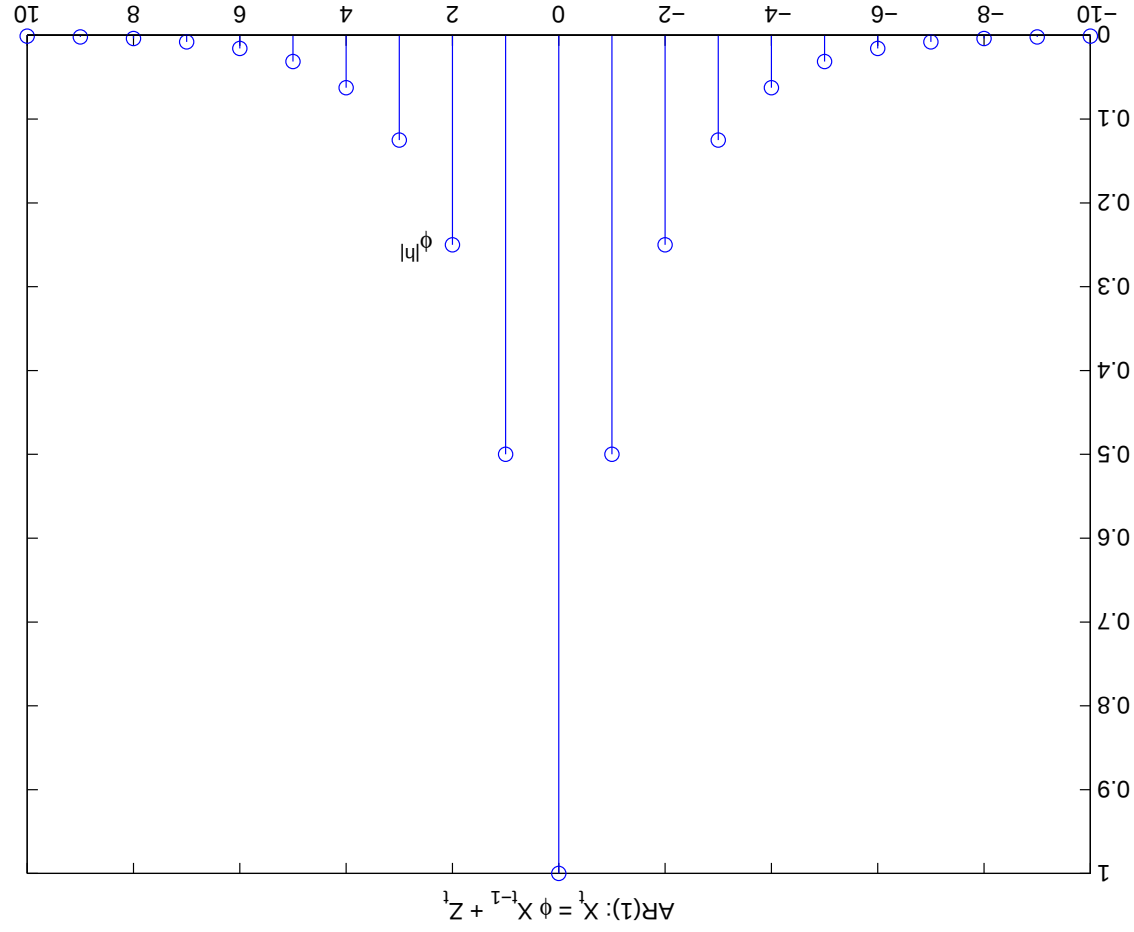
$$= \sum_n^q \pi_q X_{n+1-q} + \sum_{\infty}^q \pi_q P(X_{n+1-q} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \cdot$$

In general, $\phi_{hh} \neq 0$.

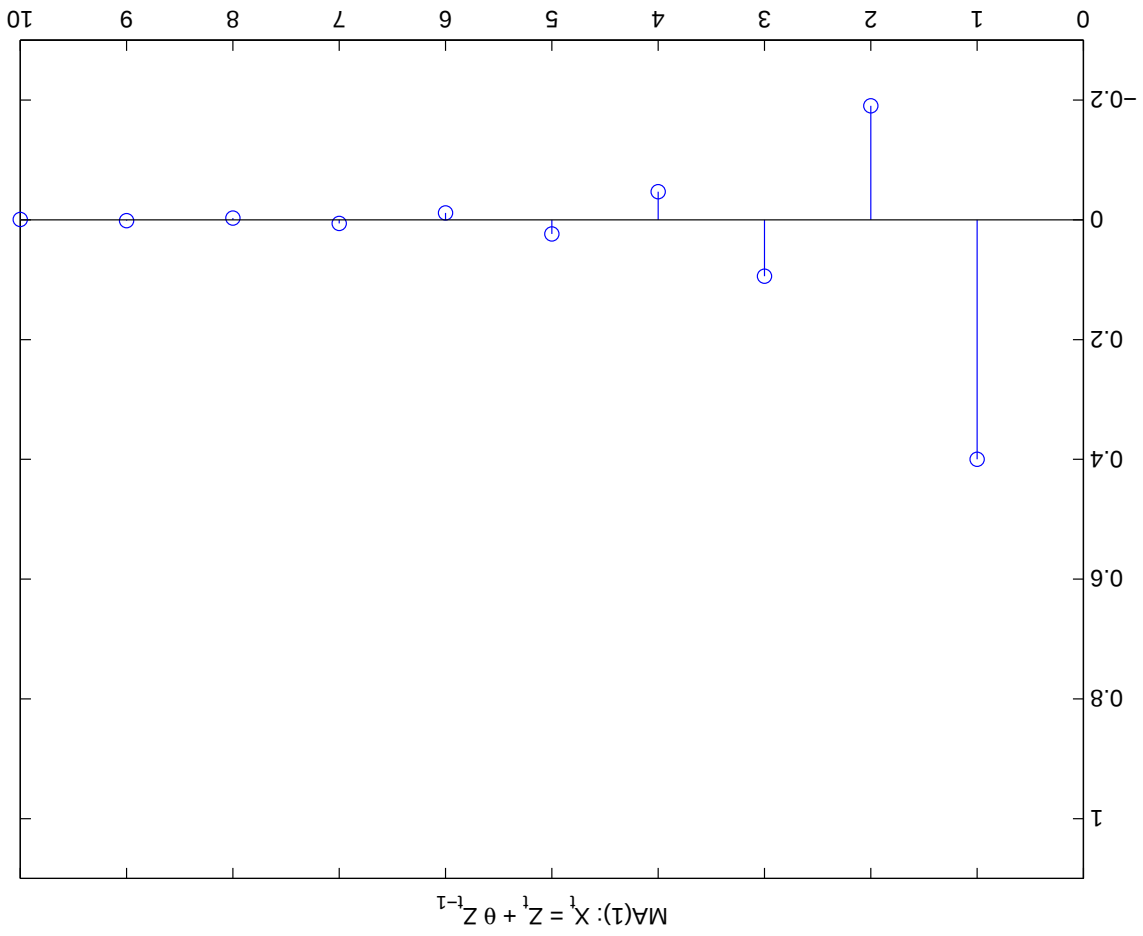
ACF of the MA(1) process



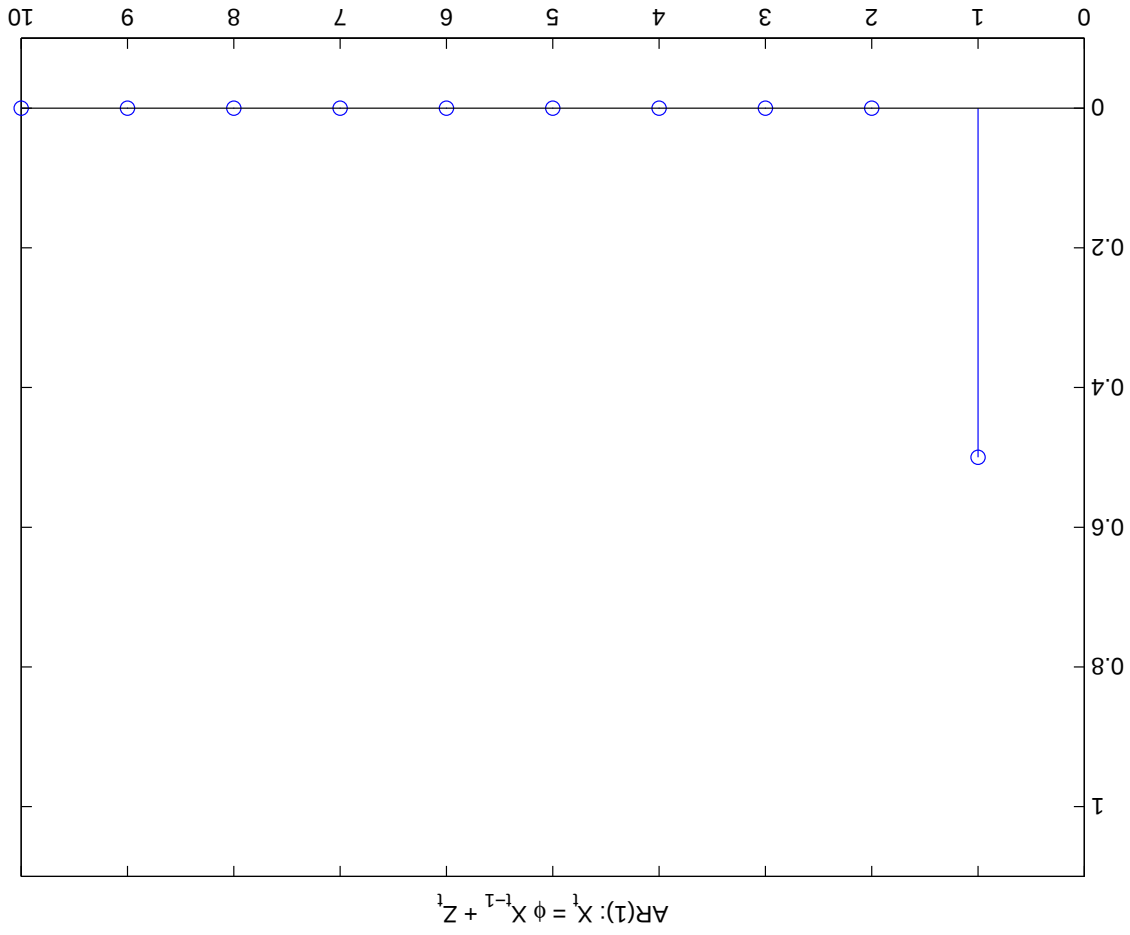
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PACF of the MA(1) process



PACF of the AR(1) process



PACF and ACF

Model:

AR(p)

MA(q)

ARMA(p,q)

ACF:

decays

zero for $h > q$

decays

PACF:

zero for $h > p$

decays

decays

Sample PACF

For a realization $x_1, \dots, x_n$ of a time series, the **sample PACF** is defined by

$$\hat{\phi}_{00} = 1$$

$\hat{\phi}_{hh}$ = last component of $\hat{\phi}_h$,

$$\text{where } \hat{\phi}_h = \mathbf{T}_h^{-1} \hat{\gamma}_h.$$

The importance of P_{n+1}^n : Prediction intervals

$$X_{n+1}^n = \phi_{n1}X_n + \phi_{n2}X_{n-1} + \dots + \phi_{nn}X_1$$

$$\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n, \quad P_{n+1}^n = E \left(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n \right)^2 = \gamma(0) - \gamma_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n.$$

After seeing $X_1, \dots, X_n$, we forecast X_{n+1}^n . The expected squared error of our forecast is P_{n+1}^n . We can construct a prediction interval:

$$X_{n+1}^n \pm c_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{P_{n+1}^n}.$$

For a Gaussian process, the prediction error has distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, P_{n+1}^n)$, so $c_{0.05/2} = 1.96$ gives a 95% prediction interval. For any process with finite second moments, we can apply Chebyshev's inequality:

$$\Pr \left(|X - EX| \geq t \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} \right) \leq \frac{1}{t^2}.$$

Computing linear prediction coefficients

$$X_{n+1}^n = \phi_{n1} X_n + \phi_{n2} X_{n-1} + \dots + \phi_{nn} X_1$$

$$\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n,$$

$$P_{n+1}^n = E(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n)^2 = \gamma(0) - \gamma_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n.$$

How can we compute these quantities recursively?

i.e., given the coefficients ϕ_{n-1} of X_{n-1}^n , how can we compute the coefficients ϕ_n of X_{n+1}^n , without solving another linear system $\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n$?

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot, ((1)\lambda, \dots, (u)\lambda) &= {}^u\lambda \\ , (1^u\phi, \dots, u\phi) &= {}_{\sim}^u\phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} , ((u)\lambda, \dots, (1)\lambda) &= {}^u\lambda \\ , (u\phi, \dots, 1^u\phi) &= {}^u\phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot, \frac{1-u\lambda \quad 1^u\phi - (0)\lambda}{1-{}_{\sim}^u\lambda \quad 1^u\phi - (u)\lambda} &= {}^{uu}\phi, \left(\begin{array}{c} {}^{uu}\phi \\ 1-{}_{\sim}^u\phi \quad {}^{uu}\phi - 1^u\phi \end{array} \right) = {}^u\phi \\ , \frac{(0)\lambda}{(1)\lambda} &= {}_{11}\phi, {}_{11}\phi = {}_{11}\phi \\ 0 &= {}_{00}\phi, {}_{00}\phi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Durbin-Levinson

Durbin-Levinson: Example

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_0 &= 0, \\ \phi_1 &= \phi_{11}, \\ \phi_n &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{nn} \\ \phi_{n-1} - \phi_{nn}\tilde{\phi}_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi_{nn} = \frac{\gamma(0) - \phi'_{n-1}\tilde{\gamma}_{n-1}}{\gamma(n) - \phi'_{n-1}\tilde{\gamma}_{n-1}}, \\ \phi_{00} &= 0; \quad \phi_{11} = \frac{\gamma(0)}{\gamma(1)}; \end{aligned}$$

This algorithm computes $\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, \dots$, where

$$X_1^2 = X_1\phi_1, \quad X_2^2 = (X_2, X_1)\phi_2, \quad X_3^2 = (X_3, X_2, X_1)\phi_3, \dots$$

Durbin-Levinson: Example

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1 &= \gamma(1)/\gamma(0), \\ \phi_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{11} - \phi_{12}\phi_{22}^{-1}\phi_{21} \\ \phi_{22}^{-1}\phi_{21} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{\gamma(1)\gamma(2) - \gamma(0)\gamma(1)}{\gamma(2)\gamma(1) - \gamma(0)\gamma(1)} \\ \frac{\gamma(0)\gamma(1)}{\gamma(2)\gamma(1) - \gamma(0)\gamma(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1 &= \phi_{11}, \quad \frac{\gamma(1)}{\gamma(0)}; \\ \phi_n &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{n-1} - \phi_{nn}\tilde{\phi}_{n-1} \\ \phi_{nn} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi_{nn} = \frac{\gamma(n)\gamma(n-1) - \phi'_{n-1}\gamma_{n-1}}{\gamma(n)\gamma(n-1) - \phi'_{n-1}\gamma_{n-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Durbin-Levinson: Why it works

Clearly, $\Gamma_1 \phi_1 = \gamma_1$.

Suppose $\Gamma_{n-1} \phi_{n-1} = \gamma_{n-1}$. Then $\Gamma_{n-1} \tilde{\phi}_{n-1} = \tilde{\gamma}_{n-1}$, and so

$$\Gamma_n \phi_n = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{n-1} & \tilde{\gamma}_{n-1} \\ \tilde{\gamma}_{n-1}' & \gamma(0) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{n-1} - \phi_{nn} \tilde{\phi}_{n-1} \\ \phi_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\gamma}_{n-1}' \phi_{n-1} + \gamma(0) \phi_{nn} - \gamma_{n-1}' \phi_{n-1} \\ \gamma_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \gamma_n.$$

Durbin-Levinson: Evolution of mean square error

$$P_{n+1}^n = \gamma(0) - \phi_n' \gamma_n$$

$$= \gamma(0) - \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{n-1} - \phi_{nn} \phi_{nn}' & \phi_{nn} \end{pmatrix}' \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_n \\ \gamma(u) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= P_{n-1}^n - \phi_{nn} \phi_{nn}' \gamma(0) - \phi_{nn}' \gamma(u) = P_{n-1}^n - \phi_{nn}' \gamma(u)$$

$$= P_{n-1}^n (1 - \phi_{nn}^2)$$

i.e., variance reduces by a factor $1 - \phi_{nn}^2$.