

Introduction to Time Series Analysis. Lecture 8.

1. Review: Linear prediction, projection in Hilbert space.
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Linear prediction

Given X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n , the best linear predictor

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

of X_{n+m} satisfies the **prediction equations**

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

This is a special case of the *projection theorem*.

Projection theorem

If \mathcal{H} is a Hilbert space,
 \mathcal{M} is a closed subspace of \mathcal{H} ,
and $y \in \mathcal{H}$,

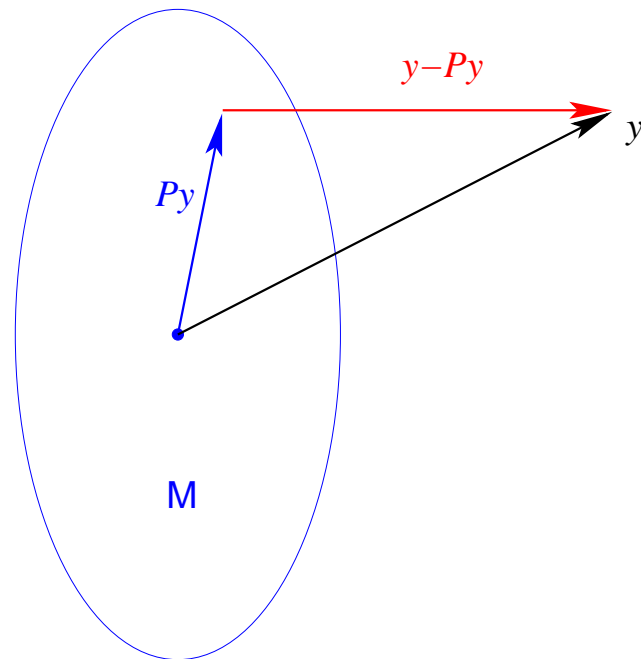
then there is a point $Py \in \mathcal{M}$
(the **projection of y on \mathcal{M}**)

satisfying

1. $\|Py - y\| \leq \|w - y\|$

2. $\langle y - Py, w \rangle = 0$

for $w \in \mathcal{M}$.



Projection theorem for linear forecasting

Given $1, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \in \{\text{r.v.s } X : EX^2 < \infty\}$,

choose $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$

so that $Z = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i$ minimizes $E(X_{n+m} - Z)^2$.

Here, $\langle X, Y \rangle = E(XY)$,

$\mathcal{M} = \{Z = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_i : \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}\} = \bar{\text{sp}} \{1, X_1, \dots, X_n\}$, and

$y = X_{n+m}$.

Projection theorem: Linear prediction

Let X_{n+m}^n denote the best linear predictor:

$$\|X_{n+m}^n - X_{n+m}\|^2 \leq \|Z - X_{n+m}\|^2 \quad \text{for all } Z \in \mathcal{M}.$$

The projection theorem implies the orthogonality

$$\langle X_{n+m}^n - X_{n+m}, Z \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } Z \in \mathcal{M}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle X_{n+m}^n - X_{n+m}, Z \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } Z \in \{1, X_1, \dots, X_n\}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{aligned} & \mathbf{E} (X_{n+m}^n - X_{n+m}) = 0 \\ & \mathbf{E} [(X_{n+m}^n - X_{n+m}) X_i] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Linear prediction

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

Orthogonality of prediction error and 1 implies we can subtract μ from all variables (X_{n+m}^n and X_i). Thus, for forecasting, we can assume $\mu = 0$.

One-step-ahead linear prediction

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

Prediction equations: $E((X_{n+1}^n - X_{n+1})X_i) = 0$, for $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \phi_{nj} E(X_{n+1-j}X_i) = E(X_{n+1}X_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \phi_{nj} \gamma(i-j) = \gamma(i)$$

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

One-step-ahead linear prediction

Prediction equations: $\Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n$.

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

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

Mean squared error of one-step-ahead linear prediction

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n+1}^n &= \mathbf{E} \left(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n \right)^2 \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left(\left(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n \right) \left(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n \right) \right) \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left(X_{n+1} \left(X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n \right) \right) \\ &= \gamma(0) - \mathbf{E} \left(\phi_n' X X_{n+1} \right) \\ &= \gamma(0) - \gamma_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n, \end{aligned}$$

where $X = (X_n, X_{n-1}, \dots, X_1)'$.

Mean squared error of one-step-ahead linear prediction

Variance is reduced:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n+1}^n &= \mathbf{E} (X_{n+1} - X_{n+1}^n)^2 \\ &= \gamma(0) - \gamma_n' \Gamma_n^{-1} \gamma_n \\ &= \text{Var}(X_{n+1}) - \text{Cov}(X_{n+1}, X) \text{Cov}(X, X)^{-1} \text{Cov}(X, X_{n+1}) \\ &= \mathbf{E} (X_{n+1} - 0)^2 - \text{Cov}(X_{n+1}, X) \text{Cov}(X, X)^{-1} \text{Cov}(X, X_{n+1}), \end{aligned}$$

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Backcasting: Predicting m steps in the past

Given X_1, \dots, X_n , we wish to predict X_{1-m} for $m > 0$.

That is, we choose $Z \in \mathcal{M} = \bar{\text{sp}} \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ to minimize $\|Z - X_{1-m}\|^2$.

The prediction equations are

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle X_{1-m}^n - X_{1-m}, Z \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all } Z \in \mathcal{M} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \quad \text{E} \left((X_{1-m}^n - X_{1-m}) X_i \right) = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

One-step backcasting

Write the least squares prediction of X_0 given X_1, \dots, X_n as

$$X_0^n = \phi_{n1}X_1 + \phi_{n2}X_2 + \dots + \phi_{nn}X_n = \phi_n'X,$$

where the predictor vector is reversed: now $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)'$.

The prediction equations are

$$E((X_0^n - X_0)X_i) = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow E\left(\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \phi_{nj}X_j - X_0\right)X_i\right) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \phi_{nj}\gamma(j-i) = \gamma(i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \Gamma_n \phi_n = \gamma_n.$$

One-step backcasting

The prediction equations are

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

which is exactly the same as for forecasting, but with the indices of the predictor vector reversed: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)'$ versus $X = (X_n, \dots, X_1)'$.

Example: Forecasting AR(1)

AR(1) model:

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

linear prediction of X_2 :

$$X_2^1 = \phi_{11} X_1$$

Prediction equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(0)\phi_{11} &= \gamma(1) \\ &= \text{Cov}(X_0, X_1) \\ &= \phi_1 \gamma(0) \end{aligned}$$

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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

$$\gamma = \text{Cov}(Y, Z)$$

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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 $\gamma = 0$.

Example: predicting m steps ahead

Write

$$X_{n+m}^n = \phi_{n1}^{(m)} X_n + \phi_{n2}^{(m)} X_{n-1} + \cdots + \phi_{nn}^{(m)} X_1$$

$$\Gamma_n \phi_n^{(m)} = \gamma_n^{(m)},$$

with

$$\Gamma_n = \text{Cov}(X, X),$$

$$\gamma_n^{(m)} = \text{Cov}(X_{n+m}, X)$$

$$= (\gamma(m), \gamma(m+1), \dots, \gamma(m+n-1))'.$$

Also, $E((X_{n+m} - X_{n+m}^n)^2) = \gamma(0) - \phi^{(m)'} \gamma_n^{(m)}$.

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Partial autocovariance function

AR(1) model:

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

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

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

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

$$= \text{Cov}(X_0, \phi_1^2 X_0 + \phi_1 W_1 + W_2)$$

$$= \phi_1^2 \gamma(0).$$

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_2^1 and X_0^1 .

Partial autocovariance function

For AR(1) model: $X_2^1 = \phi_1 X_1$,

$$X_0^1 = \phi_1 X_1,$$

so
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X_2^1 - X_2, X_0^1 - X_0) &= \text{Cov}(\phi_1 X_1 - X_2, \phi_1 X_1 - X_0) \\ &= \text{Cov}(W_2, \phi_1 X_1 - X_0) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Partial autocorrelation function

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

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

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

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

$$\dots, X_{-1}, \underline{X_0}, \underbrace{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{h-1}}_{\text{partial out}}, \underline{X_h}, X_{h+1}, \dots$$

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 :

$$\Gamma_h \phi_h = \gamma_h \quad X_{h+1}^h = \phi_h' X$$
$$\phi_h = (\phi_{h1}, \phi_{h2}, \dots, \phi_{hh}).$$

Example: Forecasting an AR(p)

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

$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1}^n &= P(X_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ &= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{n+1-i} + W_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i P(X_{n+1-i} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{n+1-i} \quad \text{for } n \geq p. \end{aligned}$$

Example: PACF of an AR(p)

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

$$X_{n+1}^n = \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{n+1-i}.$$

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

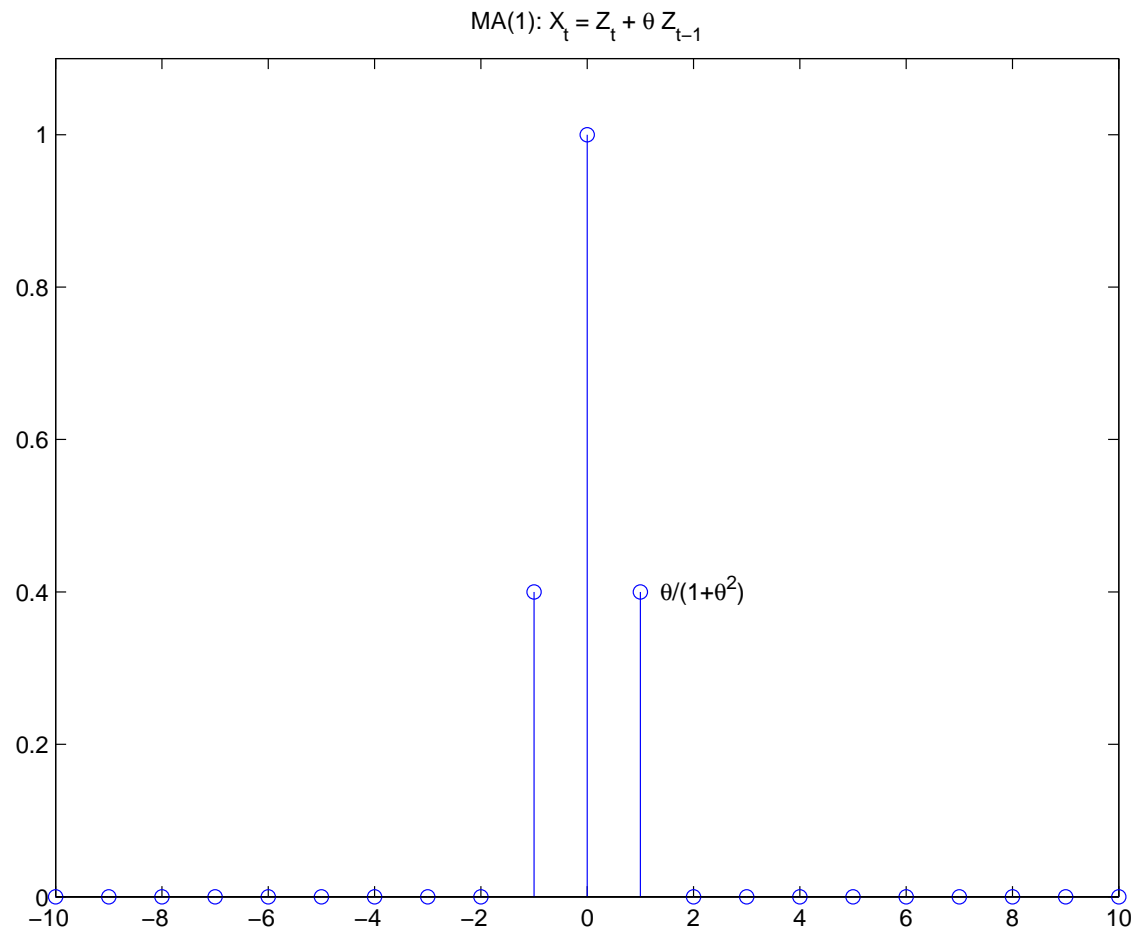
Example: PACF of an invertible MA(q)

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

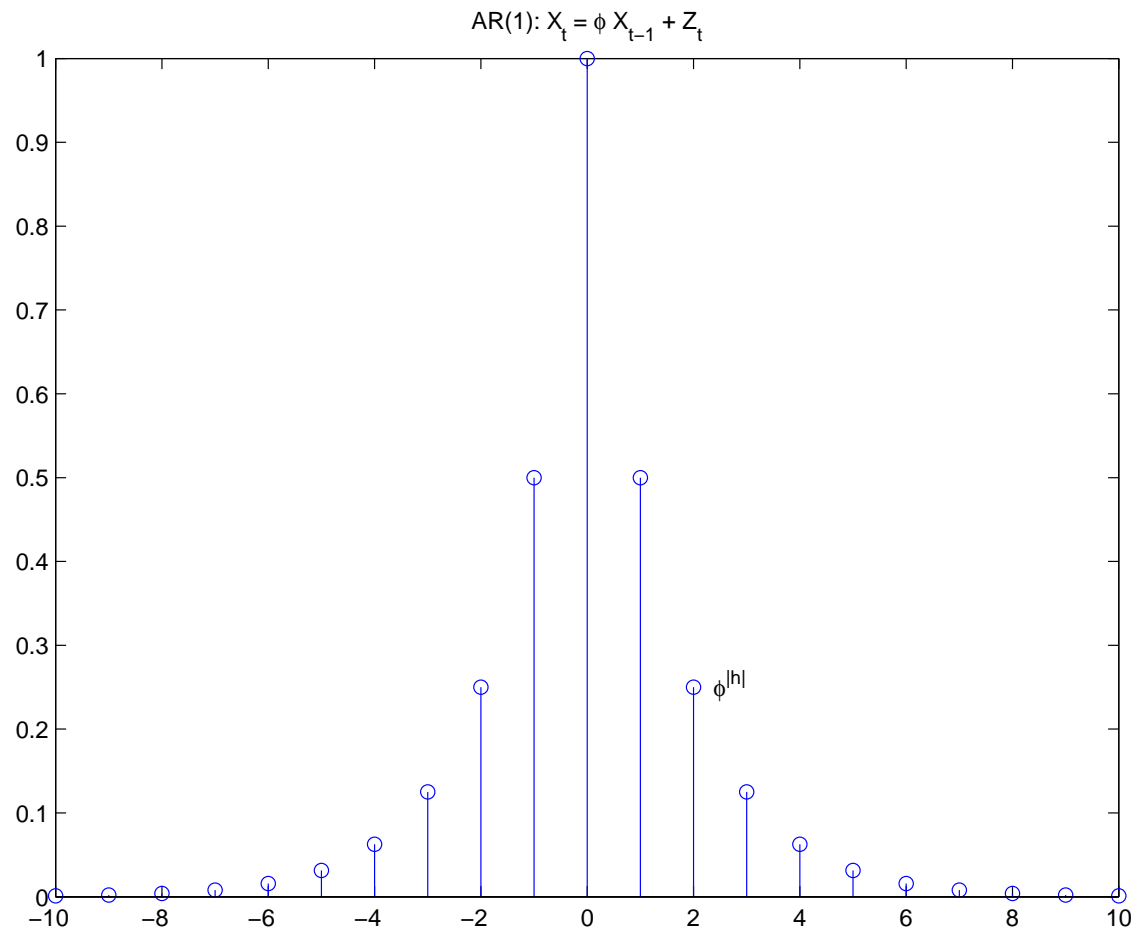
$$\begin{aligned} X_{n+1}^n &= P(X_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ &= P\left(- \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \pi_i X_{n+1-i} + W_{n+1} | X_1, \dots, X_n\right) \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \pi_i P(X_{n+1-i} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i X_{n+1-i} - \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \pi_i P(X_{n+1-i} | X_1, \dots, X_n). \end{aligned}$$

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

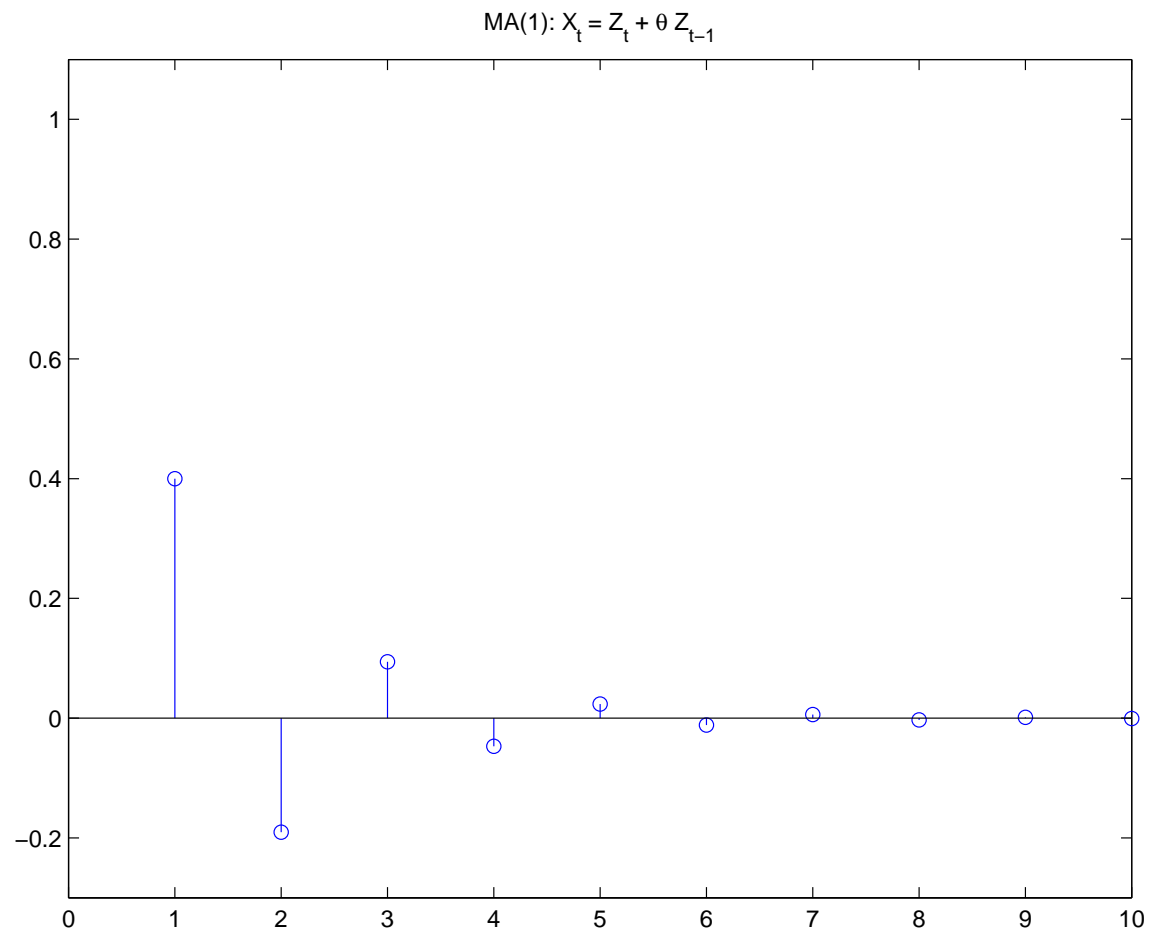
ACF of the MA(1) process



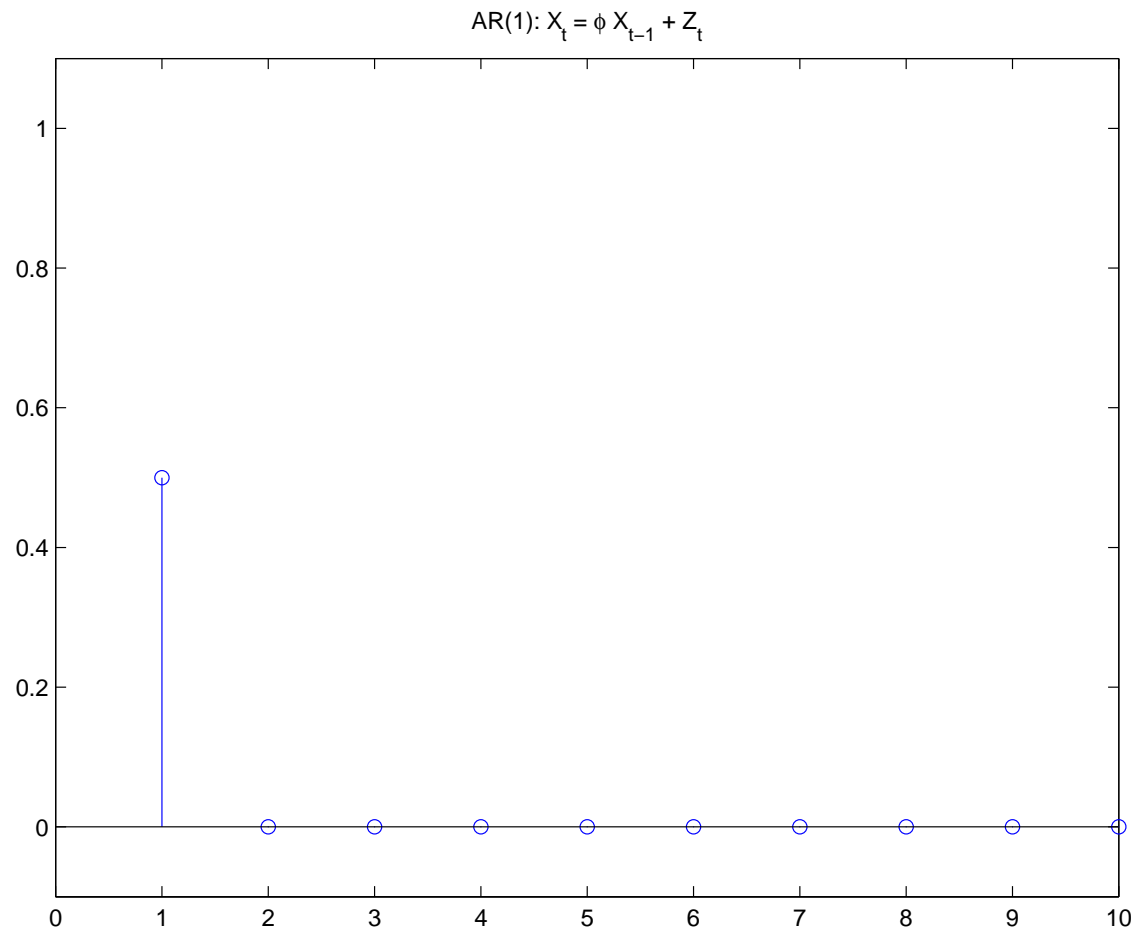
ACF of the AR(1) process



PACF of the MA(1) process



PACF of the AR(1) process



PACF and ACF

Model:	ACF:	PACF:
AR(p)	decays	zero for $h > p$
MA(q)	zero for $h > q$	decays
ARMA(p,q)	decays	decays

Sample PACF

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

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

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

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

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