

NOT ALL $MA(q)$ ARE INVERTIBLE:

Invertible means, the $MA(q)$ can be written as $AR(\infty)$ useful for forecasting, as a_t is a function of past z

example: $z_t = a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1}$

$$= a_t - \theta_1 (z_{t-1} - \theta_1 a_{t-2})$$

$$= -\theta_1 z_{t-1} + a_t + \theta_1^2 a_{t-2}$$

substitute for a_{t-2} , etc

The $AR(\infty)$ is finite if the powers of θ_1 converge to 0, i.e. when $|\theta_1| < 1$

in general:

$$z_t = a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1} - \dots - \theta_q a_{t-q}$$

$$= (1 - \theta_1 B - \dots - \theta_q B^q) a_t$$

The moving average polynomial has to have the roots outside the unit circle.

Wold theorem:

Implies that any stationary $AR(p)$ can be written as $MA(\infty)$ (Moving Average)

example:

$$Z_t = \phi_1 Z_{t-1} + a_t$$

$$Z_t = \phi_1 (\phi_1 Z_{t-2} + a_{t-1}) + a_t$$

$\vdots$

$$Z_t = a_t + \phi_1 a_{t-1} + \phi_1^2 a_{t-2} + \dots$$

$$Z_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi_1^i a_{t-i} \quad MA(\infty)$$

Z_t is finite as long as ϕ_1^i are summable, i.e. the powers of ϕ_1 converge to 0. This is ensured by stationarity.

The Wold theorem says that any stationary process can be arbitrarily well approximated by a linear model, which is $MA(\infty)$.

$MA(\infty)$ involves a polynomial of infinite order in B , which by definition can always be written as a ratio of two finite polynomials

$$Z_t = \frac{B(B)}{A(B)} a_t \Rightarrow A(B) Z_t = B(B) a_t$$

ARMA(p, q)

$$(1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p) Z_t = (1 - \theta_1 B - \dots - \theta_q B^q) a_t$$

or, with a constant:

$$Z_t = \delta + \underbrace{\phi_1 Z_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p Z_{t-p}}_{\text{require stationarity}} + \underbrace{a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1} - \dots - \theta_q a_{t-q}}_{\text{require invertibility}}$$

• $E(Z_t) = \mu = \frac{\delta}{1 - \phi_1 - \dots - \phi_p}$ like in AR(p)

• ex: ARMA(1, 1)

$$Z_t = \delta + \phi_1 Z_{t-1} + a_t + \theta_1 a_{t-1}$$

• $\sigma_0 = \text{var}(Z_t) = E(\dot{Z}_t^2) = E[\phi_1 \dot{Z}_{t-1} + a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1}]^2$
 $= \phi_1^2 \sigma_0 - 2\phi_1 \theta_1 E(\dot{Z}_{t-1} a_{t-1}) + \sigma_a^2 + \theta_1^2 \sigma_a^2$

$$E(\dot{Z}_{t-1} a_{t-1}) = E[(\phi_1 \dot{Z}_{t-2} + a_{t-1} - \theta_1 a_{t-2}) a_{t-1}]$$
$$= E(a_{t-1}^2) = \sigma_a^2$$

$$\sigma_0 = \left(\frac{1 + \theta_1^2 - 2\phi_1 \theta_1}{1 - \phi_1} \right) \sigma_a^2$$

autocovariances

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_1 &= E(\dot{z}_{t-1} \dot{z}_t) = E[\dot{z}_{t-1} (\phi_1 \dot{z}_{t-1} + a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1})] \\ &= \frac{(1 - \phi_1 \theta_1)(\phi_1 - \theta_1)}{1 - \phi_1^2} \sigma_a^2 \\ &= \phi_1 \gamma_0 - \theta_1 \sigma_e^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma_k = \phi_1 \gamma_{k-1} \quad ; \quad k \geq 2$$

autocorrelations:

$$\rho_1 = \frac{\gamma_1}{\gamma_0} = \frac{(1 - \phi_1 \theta_1)(\phi_1 - \theta_1)}{1 + \theta_1^2 - 2\theta_1 \phi_1}$$

$$\rho_k = \phi_1 \rho_{k-1} \quad , \quad k > 1$$

MA part contributes to the ACF up to lag q only. After, the ACF behaves like for AR(p):

$$\rightarrow \rho_k = \phi_1 \rho_{k-1} + \phi_2 \rho_{k-2} + \dots + \phi_p \rho_{k-p}$$

at $k > q$

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method of estimation for stationary ARMA(p,q)

step 1: IDENTIFICATION

plot ACF

plot PACF

AR: PACF cuts off

MA: ACF cuts off

ARMA: none of these

step 2 ESTIMATION

AR: OLS or MLE

MA, ARMA: MLE

STEP 3: DIAGNOSTIC CHECKING

STEP 4: FORECASTING

DIAGNOSTIC CHECKING

1) USE the goodness of fit criteria to assess the fit:

AKAIKE :

$$\bullet AIC(p, q) = -2 \ln L + 2 \cdot (p+q) = \ln \hat{\sigma}_a^2 + \frac{2(p+q)}{n}$$

SCHWARTZ (BAYESIAN)

$$\bullet BIC(p, q) = \ln(\hat{\sigma}_a^2) + (p+q) \frac{\ln n}{n}$$

HANNAN-QUINN

$$\bullet Q(p, q) = \ln(\hat{\sigma}_a^2) + c(p+q) \frac{\ln[\ln(n)]}{n}, \quad c > 2$$

the criteria "penalize" for using too many coefficients,
i.e. for too high orders $p, q \Rightarrow$ a parsimonious
specification is preferred

IF THE FIT IS CORRECT, THE RESIDUALS FROM THE
MODEL ARE WHITE NOISE:

2) USE BOX-PIERCE OR Ljung-Box STATISTICS
to test that the residuals jointly have ACF 0
up to lag k :

$$\text{B-P} \quad Q(\hat{\rho}) = n \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{\rho}_k^2(\hat{a})$$

$$\text{L-B} \quad Q(\hat{\rho}) = n(n+2) \sum \hat{\rho}_k^2(\hat{a}) / (n-k)$$

under H_0 :

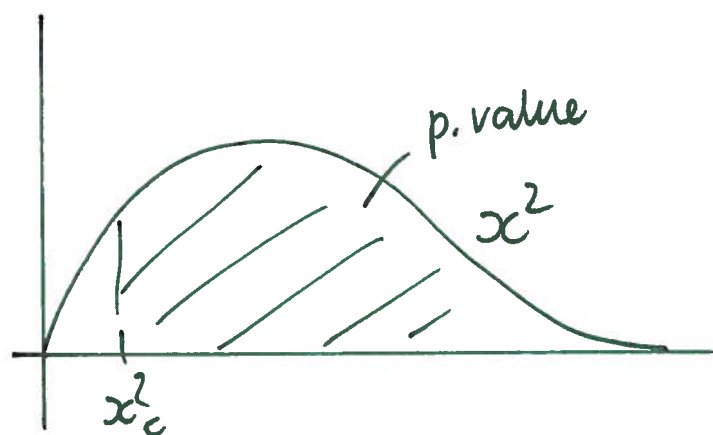
$$\hat{\rho}_1(\hat{a}) = \dots = \hat{\rho}_K(\hat{a}) = 0$$

L-B, BP $\sim \chi^2(K-l)$ where K is up to which lag the residuals are tested

$$l = p+q \text{ or } p+q+1 \text{ ('intercept')}$$

intuition:

if $\hat{\rho}$'s are very small, pos or negal then $\hat{\rho}^2(\hat{a})$ are small positive. Reject H_0 : "residuals are WN up to lag K " or " $\rho_1(\hat{a}) = \dots = \rho_K(\hat{a})$ " if the sum of their squared values is "very" different from 0.



hence "accept" H_0 when p-value 0.8, 0.9 etc. close to 1
reject otherwise.

WATCH OUT: some software test at $(1-\alpha)$
and very small p-values indicate WN (st)

FORECASTING WITH AR(1)

1. $h=1$

$$Z_{T+1} = \delta + \phi_1 Z_T + a_{T+1}$$

- at time t we know the history and present value of Z_t

$$E_t [Z_t] = E[Z_t | Z_{t-1}, Z_{t-2}, \dots, Z_0] = Z_t$$

$$E_t [a_t] = a_t$$

- we don't know the future for $h > 0$

$$E_t [a_{t+h}] = E[a_t]$$

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UNCONDITIONAL EXPECTATION

- the forecast at horizon $h=1$:

$$\hat{Z}_{T+1} = E_T [Z_{T+1}] = E_T [\delta + \phi_1 Z_T + a_{T+1}]$$

$$= \delta + \phi_1 Z_T$$

- forecast error at $h=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_{T+1} &= Z_{T+1} - \hat{Z}_{T+1} = (\delta + \phi_1 Z_T + a_{T+1}) - (\delta + \phi_1 Z_T) \\ &= a_{T+1} \end{aligned}$$

variance of the forecast error:

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$$\text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+1}) = \text{var}(a_{T+1}) = \sigma_a^2$$

2. $h=2$

$$Z_{T+2} = \delta + \phi_1 Z_{T+1} + a_{T+2}$$

$$\hat{Z}_{T+2} = E_T[Z_{T+2}] = \delta + \phi_1 E_T[Z_{T+1}] = \delta + \phi_1 \hat{Z}_{T+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{a}_{T+2} &= Z_{T+2} - \hat{Z}_{T+2} = (\delta + \phi_1 Z_{T+1} + a_{T+2}) - (\delta + \phi_1 \hat{Z}_{T+1}) \\ &= a_{T+2} + \phi_1 (Z_{T+1} - \hat{Z}_{T+1}) = a_{T+2} + \phi_1 \hat{a}_{T+1} \\ &= a_{T+2} + \phi_1 a_{T+1} \leftarrow \text{MA}(1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+2}) &= \text{var}(a_{T+2} + \phi_1 a_{T+1}) = \sigma_a^2 + \phi_1^2 \sigma_a^2 = \\ &= \sigma_a^2 (1 + \phi_1^2)\end{aligned}$$

3. any h :

$$\hat{Z}_{T+h} = \delta + \phi_1 E_T[Z_{T+h-1}] = \delta + \phi_1 \hat{Z}_{T+h-1}$$

Note:

The forecast function converges to the unconditional expectation $E(Z_t)$ as $h \rightarrow \infty$

The variance of forecast error converges to the unconditional variance of Z_t

• forecast error at horizon h follows MA(h-1)

CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR THE FORECAST:

$$\hat{z}_{t+h} \pm 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{\text{var of forecast error}}$$

widens up when $h \rightarrow \infty$

Forecasting with MA(1):

$$z_t = \mu + a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1}$$

1. $h=1$

$$z_{T+1} = \mu + a_{T+1} - \theta_1 a_T$$

• forecast: $\hat{z}_{T+1} = \mathbb{E}_T [z_{T+1}] = \mathbb{E}_T [\mu + a_{T+1} - \theta_1 a_T]$
 $= \mu - \theta_1 a_T$

• error: $\hat{a}_{T+1} = z_{T+1} - \hat{z}_{T+1} = (\mu - \theta_1 a_T + a_{T+1}) - (\mu - \theta_1 a_T)$
 $= a_{T+1}$

• var $(\hat{a}_{T+1}) = \sigma_a^2$

2. $h=2$

$$z_{T+2} = \mu + a_{T+2} - \theta_1 a_{T+1}$$

$$\hat{z}_{T+2} = \mathbb{E}_T [z_{T+2}] = \mu$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+2}) = \text{var}(a_{T+2} - \theta_1 a_{T+1}) = \sigma_a^2 (1 + \theta_1^2)$$

FORECASTING WITH ARMA(1,1)

$$Z_t = \delta + \phi_1 Z_{t-1} + a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1}$$

• $h=1$

$$Z_{T+1} = \delta + \phi_1 Z_T + a_{T+1} - \theta_1 a_T$$

$$\hat{Z}_{T+1} = E_T [Z_{T+1}] = \delta + \phi_1 Z_T - \theta_1 a_T$$

$$\bullet \hat{a}_{T+1} = Z_{T+1} - \hat{Z}_{T+1} = a_{T+1}$$

$$\bullet \text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+1}) = \text{var}(a_{T+1}) = \sigma_a^2$$

• $h=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Z}_{T+2} &= E_T [\delta + \phi_1 Z_{T+1} + a_{T+2} - \theta_1 a_{T+1}] \\ &= \delta + \phi_1 E_T [Z_{T+1}] = \delta + \phi_1 \hat{Z}_{T+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \hat{a}_{T+2} = (\phi_1 - \theta_1) a_{T+1} + a_{T+2}$$

$$\bullet \text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+2}) = \sigma_a^2 [(\phi_1 - \theta_1)^2 + 1]$$

• $h=3$

$$\hat{Z}_{T+3} = \delta + \phi_1 \hat{Z}_{T+2}$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{a}_{T+3}) = \sigma_a^2 [1 + (\phi_1 - \theta_1)^2 + (\phi_1^2 - \phi_1 \theta_1)]^2$$