

Lecture #4 Autocorrelation

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Please note the following

$$\gamma(j) = E [Y(k) Y(k+j)]$$

$$\gamma(-j) = E [Y(k) Y(k-j)]$$

$$\hat{\gamma}(j) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N-j} Y(k) Y(k+j)$$

Ex. 1 Let $N = 5, j = 1$

$$0, 0, 0, 0, 0, Y(1), Y(2), Y(3), Y(4), Y(5), 0, 0, 0$$

$$\text{For } j = 1 \quad \hat{\gamma}_1 = \hat{\gamma}(1) = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{k=1}^4 [Y(k) \ Y(k+1)]$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_1 = \hat{\gamma}(1) = \frac{1}{5} [Y(1) \ Y(2) + Y(2) \ Y(3) + Y(3) \ Y(4) + Y(4) \ Y(5)]$$

Ex. 2 $N = 5, j = -1$

$$\hat{\gamma}_{-1} = \hat{\gamma}(-1) = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{k=1}^{5-(-1)} [Y(k) \ Y(k-1)]$$

$$\hat{\gamma}(-1) = \frac{1}{5} [Y(1) \ Y(0) + Y(2) \ Y(1) + Y(3) \ Y(2) + Y(4) \ Y(3) + Y(5) \ Y(4) + Y(6) \ Y(5)]$$

Therefore

$$\hat{\gamma}(1) = \hat{\gamma}(-1) = \frac{1}{5} [Y(1) \ Y(2) + Y(2) \ Y(3) + Y(3) \ Y(4) + Y(4) \ Y(5)]$$

$$\hat{\rho}(j) = \hat{\rho}(-j) = \frac{\hat{\gamma}(j)}{\hat{\gamma}_0}$$

Auto-covariance matrix

Let $\{Y(k)\}_{k=1}^N$ zero mean process

The auto-covariance matrix $C(N)$ is

Let $\gamma_0 = \gamma(0), \gamma_1 = \gamma(1) \dots$ and so on

$$C(N) = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_0 & \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 & \dots & \gamma_{N-1} \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_0 & \gamma_1 & \dots & \gamma_{N-2} \\ \gamma_2 & \gamma_1 & \gamma_0 & \dots & \gamma_{N-3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ \gamma_{N-1} & \gamma_{N-2} & \gamma_{N-3} & \dots & \gamma_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The autocorrelation matrix $P(N)$:

$$P(N) = \frac{1}{\gamma_0} C(N) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 & \rho_2 & \dots & \rho_{N-1} \\ \rho_1 & 1 & \rho_1 & \dots & \rho_{N-2} \\ \rho_2 & \rho_1 & 1 & \dots & \rho_{N-3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & \\ \rho_{N-1} & \rho_{N-2} & \rho_{N-3} & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For a stationary process, the autocorrelation matrix is positive definite. i.e.

$$\text{For } N=2 \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 \\ \rho_1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \succ 0 \quad \rightarrow 1 - \rho_1^2 \succ 0$$

$$\text{For } N=3 \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 \\ \rho_1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \succ 0 \quad \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 1 & \rho_2 \\ \rho_2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \succ 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 & \rho_2 \\ \rho_1 & 1 & \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 & \rho_1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \succ 0$$

To establish stationary for a process, we need to calculate a lot of

Recursive Computation Variance (σ^2)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2(k+1) &= E [Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}(k+1)]^2 \\
&= E [Y^2(k+1) + \bar{Y}^2(k+1) - 2 \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1)] \\
&= E [Y^2(k+1)] + \bar{Y}^2(k+1) - 2 \bar{Y}(k+1) E [Y(k+1)] \\
&= E [Y^2(k+1)] + \bar{Y}^2(k+1) - 2 \bar{Y}(k+1) \bar{Y}(k+1) \\
&= E [Y^2(k+1)] - \bar{Y}^2(k+1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2(k+1) &= \frac{Y^2(1) + Y^2(2) + \dots + Y^2(k) + Y^2(k+1)}{k+1} - \bar{Y}^2(k+1) \\
&= \frac{k}{k+1} \left[\frac{Y^2(1) + \dots + Y^2(k)}{k} \right] + \frac{Y^2(k+1)}{k+1} - \bar{Y}^2(k+1)
\end{aligned}$$

But

$$\sigma^2(k) = E [Y(k) - \bar{Y}(k)]^2 = E [Y(k)]^2 - \bar{Y}^2(k)$$

Therefore

$$E [Y(k)]^2 = \sigma^2(k) + \bar{Y}^2(k) = \frac{Y^2(1) + \dots + Y^2(k)}{k}$$

Sub. For $E [Y(k)]^2$

$$\sigma^2(k+1) = \frac{k}{k+1} \sigma^2(k) + \frac{Y^2(k+1)}{k+1} + \frac{k}{k+1} \bar{Y}^2(k) - \bar{Y}^2(k+1) \quad (1)$$

Let us compute $\frac{k}{k+1} \bar{Y}^2(k)$?

First

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{Y}(k+1) &= \bar{Y}(k) + \frac{Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}(k)}{k+1} \\
[\bar{Y}(k+1)](k+1) &= \bar{Y}(k)(k+1) + Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}(k) \\
&= (\bar{Y}(k))(k) + \bar{Y}(k) + Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}(k)
\end{aligned}$$

$$k [\bar{Y}(k)] = (k+1) [\bar{Y}(k+1)] - Y(k+1)$$

$$\bar{Y}(k) = \frac{k+1}{k} [\bar{Y}(k+1)] + \frac{Y(k+1)}{k}$$

Cal. $\bar{Y}^2(k)$

$$\bar{Y}^2(k) = \left(\frac{k+1}{k}\right)^2 [\bar{Y}^2(k+1)] + \left(\frac{Y^2(k+1)}{k}\right) - \frac{Y(k+1)}{k} \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1)$$

Multiply the above by $\frac{k}{k+1}$

$$\frac{k}{k+1} \bar{Y}^2(k) = \frac{k+1}{k} \bar{Y}^2(k+1) + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} Y^2(k+1) - \frac{2}{k} \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1) \quad (2)$$

Sub. (2) in (1) and simplify

$$-1 + \frac{k+1}{k} = \frac{-k+k+1}{k} = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\sigma^2(k+1) = \frac{k}{k+1} \sigma^2(k) + \frac{Y^2(k+1)}{k+1} + \frac{k+1}{k} \bar{Y}^2(k+1) + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} Y^2(k+1) - \frac{2}{k} \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}^2(k+1)$$

$$\sigma^2(k+1) = \frac{k}{k+1} \sigma^2(k) + \bar{Y}^2(k+1) \left[-1 + \frac{k+1}{k} \right] + Y^2(k+1) \left[\frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \right] - \frac{2}{k} \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1)$$

$$\frac{1}{k+1} + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{k+1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2(k+1) &= \frac{k}{k+1} \sigma^2(k) + \frac{1}{k} \bar{Y}^2(k+1) + \frac{1}{k} Y^2(k+1) - \frac{2}{k} \bar{Y}(k+1) Y(k+1) \\ &= \frac{k}{k+1} \sigma^2(k) + \frac{1}{k} [Y(k+1) - \bar{Y}(k+1)]^2 \end{aligned}$$