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ON THE ESTIMATION IN SIMPLE LINEAR REGRESSION MODEL  
WITH AUTOREGRESSIVE MOVING AVERAGES (ARMA) ERROR

1. Introduction

Suppose that a response  $y_t$  follows the model:

$$y_t = B_0 + B_1 x_t + e_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots \quad (1)$$

The simple linear equation (1) states that in period  $t$ , the value of  $y$ , the response, is determined by four factors: the population constant  $B_0$ , the population regression coefficient  $B_1$ , the level of  $x$ , and the level of  $e$ , the disturbance term.

The disturbance term is assumed to have certain properties in order to carry out statistical estimation and tests of significance. Departures from these assumptions bring some of the characteristic problems. For instance, usually, one assumes that all pairs of values of  $e_t$ , whether adjacent in time or not, are not correlated. A departure from this assumption gives rise to the problem of autocorrelation.

This problem has been studied by a number of statisticians, for instance, Anderson (1942), Cochran (1949), Quenouille (1949), Durbin (1950), Hannan (1957), Theil and Nagar (1961), and in recent years, Box and Pierce (1970) studied the distribution of residuals which follow a mixed ARMA model, Pierce (1971) developed a method for estimating the parameters by using the first order terms in Taylor's expansion and applied it to an ARMA of the first order and Nu-

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ri (1979) proposed a method for finding approximate estimates for the parameters which is basically related to the least squares method with some modifications.

The purpose of this paper is to investigate the properties of the model (1), especially when the errors  $e_t$  follow a low order ARMA. That is because, in practice, it is frequently true that an adequate representation of actually occurring stationary time series can be obtained in mixed models, in which the order of autoregressive process  $p$  and the order of moving average  $q$  are not greater than 2 and often less than 2 (Box and Jenkins 1970). So ARMA (3) is studied in some detail, and some new results are obtained. Attempts are made to construct suitable examples: artificial examples and economic data examples.

## 2. The Properties

In the model (1) suppose that

$$e_t = \Phi^{-1}(B)\Theta(B)a_t, \quad (2)$$

where  $a_t$ 's are independently and normally distributed random variables with zero means and variance  $\sigma^2$ ,  $\Phi$  and  $\Theta$  are polynomials such that:

$$\Phi(B) = 1 - \Phi_1 B - \Phi_2 B^2, \quad \Theta(B) = 1 - \theta_1 B - \theta_2 B^2$$

and  $B$  is the back-shift operator (lag operator) defined by  $B^j f_t = f_{t-j}$  for any function  $f_t$  and for  $j = 1, 2$ . The following are some of the characterizations for the proposed model for  $e_t$ .

1. Using equation (2) the second order autoregressive, the second order moving average process ARMA (3) can be written as:

$$(1 - \Phi_1 B - \Phi_2 B^2)e_t = (1 - \theta_1 B - \theta_2 B^2)a_t,$$

or

$$e_t = \Phi_1 e_{t-1} + \Phi_2 e_{t-2} + a_t - \theta_1 a_{t-1} - \theta_2 a_{t-2}. \quad (3)$$

2. Multiplying equation (3) by  $e_{t-k}$  and taking expectations, it could be obtained that

$$\gamma_k = \Phi_1 \gamma_{k-1} + \Phi_2 \gamma_{k-2} + \gamma_{ae}(k) - \theta_1 \gamma_{ae}(k-1) - \theta_2 \gamma_{ae}(k-2), \quad (4)$$

where  $\gamma_k = \text{cov}(e_t, e_{t-k})$  and  $\gamma_{ae}(k)$  is the cross covariance between  $a$  and  $e$  at lag difference  $k$ , defined by  $E(a_t e_{t-k})$ . Since  $e_{t-k}$  depends only on shocks which have occurred up to time  $t-k$ , we obtain

$$\gamma_{ae}(k) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 \tau_1 (\Phi_1, \theta_1) & k < 0 \\ \sigma^2 & k = 0 \\ 0 & k > 0 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

3. It follows that

$$\gamma_0 = \Phi_1 \gamma_1 + \Phi_2 \gamma_2 + \sigma^2 - \theta_1 \gamma_{ae}(-1) - \theta_2 \gamma_{ae}(-2), \quad (6)$$

$$\gamma_1 = \Phi_1 \gamma_0 + \Phi_2 \gamma_1 - \theta_1 \sigma^2 - \theta_2 \gamma_{ae}(-1), \quad (7)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \Phi_1 \gamma_1 + \Phi_2 \gamma_0 - \theta_2 \sigma^2. \quad (8)$$

And for  $k > 2$ ,  $\gamma_k = \Phi_1 \gamma_{k-1} + \Phi_2 \gamma_{k-2}$ , which does not involve the moving average parameters. Therefore, after lag 2, the autocovariances and consequently the autocorrelation coefficients behave as those for the AR process. And so we reach the same conclusion as Anderson (1976).

4. Multiplying equation (3) first by  $a_{t-1}$  and secondly by  $a_{t-2}$  and taking expectations we find

$$\gamma_{ae}(-1) = (\Phi_1 - \theta_1) \sigma^2 \quad (9)$$

and

$$\gamma_{ae}(-2) = (\Phi_1^2 - \Phi_1 \theta_1 + \Phi_2 - \theta_2) \sigma^2. \quad (10)$$

Substituting these in equations (6) and (7) leads to

$$\gamma_0 = \frac{(1 - \Phi_2) [1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 - 2\theta_2 \Phi_2] - 2\Phi_1 [\theta_1 + \theta_2 \Phi_1 - \theta_1 \theta_2] \sigma^2}{(1 + \Phi_2) [(1 - \Phi_2)^2 - \Phi_1^2]} \sigma^2, \quad (11)$$

$$\delta_1 = \frac{\Phi_1}{1 - \Phi_2} \delta_0 - \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2 \Phi_1 - \theta_2 \theta_1}{1 - \Phi_2} \sigma^2 \quad (12)$$

and

$$\delta_2 = \frac{\Phi_2 + \Phi_1^2 - \Phi_2^2}{1 - \Phi_2} \gamma_0 - \frac{\theta_2 + \theta_1 \Phi_1 - \theta_2 \Phi_2 + \Phi_1^2 \theta_2 - \Phi_1 \theta_1 \theta_2}{(1 - \Phi_2)} \sigma^2. \quad (13)$$

### 3. Least Squares Estimators

To obtain the least squares estimators of the coefficients, we first rewrite equation (1) as follows

$$\frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} y_t = \frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} (B_0 + B_1 x_t) + a_t. \quad (14)$$

Then the problem is carried out by minimizing

$$v = \sum_{t=1}^n \left[ \frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} (y_t - B_0 - B_1 x_t) \right]^2. \quad (15)$$

We find that

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial B_0} = -2 \sum_t \left\{ \frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} \right\}^2 (y_t - B_0 - B_1 x_t),$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial B_1} = -2 \sum_t \left\{ \frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} \right\}^2 (y_t - B_0 - B_1 x_t) x_t,$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial \Phi_r} = -2 \sum_t \frac{\Phi(B) B^r}{\{\Theta(B)\}^2} (y_t - B_0 - B_1 x_t)^2, \quad r = 1, 2$$

and

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial \Theta_s} = 2 \sum_t \frac{\{\Phi(B)\}^2 B^s}{\{\Theta(B)\}^3} (y_t - B_0 - B_1 x_t)^2, \quad s = 1, 2. \quad (16)$$

Following the approximations proposed by N u r i (1979) we obtain:

$$\left\{ \frac{\Phi(B)}{\Theta(B)} \right\}^2 \approx 1 - 2\Phi_1 B - 2\Phi_2 B^2 + 2\theta_1 B + 2\theta_2 B^2 = A(B),$$



$$\frac{\Phi(B)B^r}{\{\theta(B)\}^2} = B^r - \Phi_1 B^{r+1} - \Phi_2 B^{r+2} + 2\theta_1 B^{r+1} + 2\theta_2 B^{r+2}, \quad r = 1, 2$$

and

$$\frac{\{\Phi(B)\}^2 B^s}{\{\theta(B)\}^3} = B^s - 2\Phi_1 B^{s+1} - 2\Phi_2 B^{s+2} + 3\theta_1 B^{s+1} + 3\theta_2 B^{s+2}. \quad (17)$$

1. An initial estimator for  $\underline{B} = \begin{pmatrix} B_0 \\ B_1 \end{pmatrix}$ , is obtained by the least squares method for the model  $y_t = B_0 + B_1 x_t + e_t$ .

2. Defining  $z_t = (y_t - b_0 - b_1 x_t)^2$ , the normal equations (16), take the form

$$nb_0 A(B) + b_1 \sum_t A(B)x_t = \sum_t A(B)y_t, \quad (18)$$

$$b_0 \sum_t A(B)x_t + b_1 \sum_t A(B)x_t^2 = \sum_t A(B)x_t y_t, \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi_1 \sum_t z_{t-r-1} + \Phi_2 \sum_t z_{t-r-2} - 2\theta_1 \sum_t z_{t-r-1} - 2\theta_2 \sum_t z_{t-r-2} = \\ & = \sum_t z_{t-r}, \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\Phi_1 \sum_t z_{t-s-1} + 2\Phi_2 \sum_t z_{t-s-2} - 3\theta_1 \sum_t z_{t-s-1} - 3\theta_2 \sum_t z_{t-s-2} = \\ & = \sum_t z_{t-s}, \quad s = 1, 2. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

3. Solving equations (20) and (21) an initial estimator of  $\underline{\alpha} = (\Phi_1 \Phi_2 \theta_1 \theta_2)^T$  is obtained, namely

$$\hat{\underline{\alpha}}^{(0)} = \left( \hat{\Phi}_1^{(0)} \hat{\Phi}_2^{(0)} \hat{\theta}_1^{(0)} \hat{\theta}_2^{(0)} \right)^T.$$

4. After obtaining the initial estimate of  $\underline{\alpha}$ , the sets of equations in (18) and (19) are employed to obtain a first approximate estimator  $\underline{b}^{(1)}$  and so the first approximate estimator of  $\underline{\alpha}^{(1)}$  is then obtained. And so on iteratively these steps are repeated until we have  $|b^{(m)} - b^{(m-1)}| < \delta_1$  and  $|\alpha^{(m)} - \alpha^{(m-1)}| < \delta_2$  for some specified numbers  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$ .

#### 4. The Distribution of the Estimators

Define a random variable  $u_t$  such that  $\hat{\Phi}(B)u_t = a_t$ , where  $\hat{\Phi}(B) = 1 - \hat{\Phi}_1 B - \hat{\Phi}_2 B^2$  and  $a_t$  is  $NID(0, \sigma^2)$ .

1. Following *World and Mann (1943)*,  $(\hat{\Phi}_1 \hat{\Phi}_2)^T$  is asymptotically normal with mean  $(\Phi_1 \Phi_2)^T$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n} \Gamma^{-1}$ , where  $\Gamma = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_0 & \Gamma_1 \\ \Gamma_1 & \Gamma_0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\Gamma_r = \text{cov}(u_t, u_{t+r}) = E u_t u_{t+r}$ ,  $r = 0, 1$ .

2.  $\Gamma$  can be obtained alternatively as follows

$$u_t = \frac{1}{1 - \hat{\Phi}_1 B - \hat{\Phi}_2 B^2} a_t = \frac{1}{(1 - T_1 B)(1 - T_2 B)} a_t,$$

where  $T_1 + T_2 = \hat{\Phi}_1$  and  $T_1 T_2 = -\hat{\Phi}_2$ , or

$$u_t = \frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \left( \frac{T_2}{1 - T_2 B} - \frac{T_1}{1 - T_1 B} \right) a_t,$$

or

$$u_t = \frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1}) a_{t-j}, \quad (22)$$

Therefore  $\Gamma_r = E u_t u_{t+r}$

$$u_t = \frac{1}{(T_2 - T_1)^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1}) (T_2^{j+r+1} - T_1^{j+r+1})^T E a_{t-j} a_{t+r-j},$$

or

$$u_t = \frac{\sigma^2}{(T_2 - T_1)^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1}) (T_2^{j+r+1} - T_1^{j+r+1}) \quad (23)$$

substituting  $r = 0, 1$ , and after few steps we obtain

$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{(1 - \hat{\Phi}_2) \sigma^2}{(1 + \hat{\Phi}_2) [(1 - \hat{\Phi}_2)^2 - \hat{\Phi}_1^2]} \quad (24)$$

and

$$\Gamma_1 = \frac{\Phi_1 \sigma^2}{(1 + \Phi_2) [(1 - \Phi_2)^2 - \Phi_1^2]} \quad (25)$$

3. Similarly define the random variable  $v_t$  such that  $(1 - \theta_1 B - \theta_2 B^2)v_t = a_t$ , where  $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{\theta}_1 \hat{\theta}_2)^T$  is also asymptotic normal with mean  $\theta$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \Omega^{-1}$ , where  $\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega_0 & \Omega_1 \\ \Omega_1 & \Omega_0 \end{pmatrix}$  such that  $\Omega_s = E v_t v_{t+s}$ ,  $s = 0, 1$ ; using the same way as for  $\Gamma$ , we obtain:

$$v_t = \frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\lambda_2^{j+1} - \lambda_1^{j+1}) a_{t-j} \quad (26)$$

where  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \theta_1$  and  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = -\theta_2$

and

$$\Omega_s = \frac{\sigma^2}{(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\lambda_2^{j+1} - \lambda_1^{j+1})(\lambda_2^{j+s+1} - \lambda_1^{j+s+1}), \quad (27)$$

substituting  $s = 0, 1$  we obtain

$$\Omega_0 = \frac{(1 - \theta_2) \sigma^2}{(1 + \theta_2) [(1 - \theta_2)^2 - \theta_1^2]} \quad (28)$$

and

$$\Omega_1 = \frac{\theta_1 \sigma^2}{(1 + \theta_2) [(1 - \theta_2)^2 - \theta_1^2]} \quad (29)$$

4. Define a matrix  $w = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 & w_{-1} \\ w_1 & w_0 \end{pmatrix}$  such that

$$w_k = \text{cov}(u_t, v_{t+k}) = E u_t v_{t+k}$$

Now, for  $k = 0$

$$w_0 = \frac{\sigma^2}{(T_2 - T_1)(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1})(\lambda_2^{j+1} - \lambda_1^{j+1}).$$

And after few steps we obtain

$$w_0 = \frac{(1 - \theta_2 \Phi_2) \sigma^2}{(1 - \Phi_2 \theta_2)^2 - (\theta_1 + \Phi_1 \theta_2)(\Phi_1 + \theta_1 \Phi_2)}, \quad (30)$$

where  $k = 1$ ,

$$w_1 = E u_t v_{t+1} = \frac{\sigma^2}{(T_2 - T_1)(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1})(\lambda_2^{j+2} - \lambda_1^{j+2}), \quad (31)$$

or

$$w_1 = \frac{(\theta_1 + \Phi_1 \theta_2) \sigma^2}{(1 - \Phi_2 \theta_2)^2 - (\theta_1 + \Phi_1 \theta_2)(\Phi_1 + \theta_1 \Phi_2)}. \quad (32)$$

But, where  $k = -1$ , we have

$$w_{-1} = E u_t v_{t-1} = \frac{\sigma^2}{(T_2 - T_1)(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (T_2^{j+1} - T_1^{j+1})(\lambda_2^j - \lambda_1^j),$$

or

$$w_{-1} = \frac{(\Phi_1 + \theta_1 \Phi_2) \sigma^2}{(1 - \Phi_2 \theta_2)^2 - (\theta_1 + \Phi_1 \theta_2)(\Phi_1 + \theta_1 \Phi_2)}, \quad (33)$$

comparing (32) with (33) it appears that  $w_1 \neq w_{-1}$ .

5. We obtain that

$$\hat{B} = \underline{b} = (b_0 b_1)^T$$

is normally distributed (bivariate) with mean  $B$  and variance-covariance matrix  $(\sigma^2/n) B^{-1}$ , where



$$B = \left( \left( \frac{1 - \Phi_1 - \Phi_2}{1 - \theta_1 - \theta_2} \right)^2 \frac{1 - \Phi_1 - \Phi_2}{n(1 - \theta_1 - \theta_2)} \sum b_{it} \right) \frac{1}{n} \sum b_{it}^2$$

$\hat{\alpha} = (\hat{\Phi} \hat{\theta})^T$  is asymptotic normal (4-dimensional) with mean  $\alpha$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n} \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma & w \\ w^T & \Omega \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$  and consequently  $(\hat{B} \hat{\alpha} \hat{\sigma}^2)^T$  is asymptotic normal (7-dimen.) with mean  $(B \alpha \sigma^2)^T$  and variance-covariance matrix:

$$\frac{2}{n} \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Gamma & w & 0 \\ 0 & w^T & \Omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \quad (34)$$

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O ESTYMACJI PARAMETRÓW LINIOWYCH MODELI  
ZE SKŁADNIKAMI LOSOWYMI TYPU ARMA NISKICH RZĘDÓW

W badaniach empirycznych istnieją zwykle podstawy do założenia, że badany szereg czasowy generowany jest przez "mieszany" proces stochastyczny będący sumą procesu autoregresyjnego i procesu średnich ruchomych ARMA (B o x, J e n k i n s 1970); w niniejszej pracy zanalizowano niektóre własności modeli typu ARMA niskich rzędów, szczególnie procesu ARMA (2,2).