

**MAE 5870 – Análise de Séries temporais**  
**Lista #4**  
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4.1 Repeat the simulations and analyses in Examples 4.1 and 4.2 with the following changes:

- (a) Change the sample size to  $n = 128$  and generate and plot the same series as in Example 4.1:

$$\begin{aligned}x_{t1} &= 2 \cos(2\pi .06 t) + 3 \sin(2\pi .06 t), \\x_{t2} &= 4 \cos(2\pi .10 t) + 5 \sin(2\pi .10 t), \\x_{t3} &= 6 \cos(2\pi .40 t) + 7 \sin(2\pi .40 t), \\x_t &= x_{t1} + x_{t2} + x_{t3}.\end{aligned}$$

What is the major difference between these series and the series generated in Example 4.1? (Hint: The answer is *fundamental*. But if your answer is the series are longer, you may be punished severely.)

- (b) As in Example 4.2, compute and plot the periodogram of the series,  $x_t$ , generated in (a) and comment.  
(c) Repeat the analyses of (a) and (b) but with  $n = 100$  (as in Example 4.1), and adding noise to  $x_t$ ; that is

$$x_t = x_{t1} + x_{t2} + x_{t3} + w_t$$

where  $w_t \sim \text{iid } N(0, 25)$ . That is, you should simulate and plot the data, and then plot the periodogram of  $x_t$  and comment.

4.4 A time series was generated by first drawing the white noise series  $w_t$  from a normal distribution with mean zero and variance one. The observed series  $x_t$  was generated from

$$x_t = w_t - \theta w_{t-1}, \quad t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots,$$

where  $\theta$  is a parameter.

- (a) Derive the theoretical mean value and autocovariance functions for the series  $x_t$  and  $w_t$ . Are the series  $x_t$  and  $w_t$  stationary? Give your reasons.  
(b) Give a formula for the power spectrum of  $x_t$ , expressed in terms of  $\theta$  and  $\omega$ .

**4.6** In applications, we will often observe series containing a signal that has been delayed by some unknown time  $D$ , i.e.,

$$x_t = s_t + A s_{t-D} + n_t,$$

where  $s_t$  and  $n_t$  are stationary and independent with zero means and spectral densities  $f_s(\omega)$  and  $f_n(\omega)$ , respectively. The delayed signal is multiplied by some unknown constant  $A$ .

(a) Prove

$$f_x(\omega) = [1 + A^2 + 2A \cos(2\pi\omega D)]f_s(\omega) + f_n(\omega).$$

(b) How could the periodicity expected in the spectrum derived in (a) be used to estimate the delay  $D$ ? (Hint: Consider the case where  $f_n(\omega) = 0$ ; i.e., there is no noise.)

**4.8** Figure 4.31 shows the biyearly smoothed (12-month moving average) number of sunspots from June 1749 to December 1978 with  $n = 459$  points that were taken twice per year; the data are contained in `sunspotz`. With Example 4.10 as a guide, perform a periodogram analysis identifying the predominant periods and obtaining confidence intervals for the identified periods. Interpret your findings.

**4.9** The levels of salt concentration known to have occurred over rows, corresponding to the average temperature levels for the soil science data considered in Figures 1.15 and 1.16, are in `salt` and `saltemp`. Plot the series and then identify the dominant frequencies by performing separate spectral analyses on the two series. Include confidence intervals for the dominant frequencies and interpret your findings.

**4.16** Consider two time series

$$x_t = w_t - w_{t-1},$$

$$y_t = \frac{1}{2}(w_t + w_{t-1}),$$

formed from the white noise series  $w_t$  with variance  $\sigma_w^2 = 1$ .

- Are  $x_t$  and  $y_t$  jointly stationary? Recall the cross-covariance function must also be a function only of the lag  $h$  and cannot depend on time.
- Compute the spectra  $f_y(\omega)$  and  $f_x(\omega)$ , and comment on the difference between the two results.
- Suppose sample spectral estimators  $\bar{f}_y(.10)$  are computed for the series using  $L = 3$ . Find  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$P\left\{a \leq \bar{f}_y(.10) \leq b\right\} = .90.$$

This expression gives two points that will contain 90% of the sample spectral values. Put 5% of the area in each tail.