

TSS module 9 Identifying ARIMA processes.

Cryer and Chan show how to write an ARIMA(p,1,q) process as a non-stationary ARMA process. Some final exam problems ask you to identify the proper ARIMA process and its parameters.

**\*\*Question 1.2: ARIMA Process**

A time series is  $Y_t = 1.4Y_{t-1} + 0.1Y_{t-2} - 0.5Y_{t-3} + e_t + 0.3e_{t-1} + 0.2e_{t-2}$

What is the process followed by this time series?

- A. ARIMA(1,1,1)
- B. ARIMA(2,1,2)
- C. ARIMA(2,1,1)
- D. ARIMA(1,2,1)
- E. ARIMA(2,2,1)

Answer 1.2: B

Rewrite the ARIMA process as

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t - Y_{t-1} &= 0.4Y_{t-1} + 0.1Y_{t-2} - 0.5Y_{t-3} + e_t + 0.3e_{t-1} + 0.2e_{t-2} \\ &= 0.4Y_{t-1} - 0.4Y_{t-2} + 0.4Y_{t-2} + 0.1Y_{t-2} - 0.5Y_{t-3} + e_t + 0.3e_{t-1} + 0.2e_{t-2} \\ &= 0.4Y_{t-1} - 0.4Y_{t-2} + 0.5Y_{t-2} - 0.5Y_{t-3} + e_t + 0.3e_{t-1} + 0.2e_{t-2} \\ &\Rightarrow W_t = 0.4W_{t-1} + 0.5W_{t-2} + e_t + 0.3e_{t-1} + 0.2e_{t-2} \end{aligned}$$

See equation 5.2.2 on page 92.

*Intuition:* The ARIMA(p,1,q) process is

$$Y_t - Y_{t-1} = \phi_1(Y_{t-1} - Y_{t-2}) + \phi_2(Y_{t-2} - Y_{t-3}) + \dots + \phi_p(Y_{t-p} - Y_{t-p-1}) + \epsilon_t - \theta_1\epsilon_{t-1} - \theta_2\epsilon_{t-2} - \dots - \theta_q\epsilon_{t-q}$$

Rewrite this as

$$Y_t = (1 + \phi_1)Y_{t-1} + (\phi_2 - \phi_1)Y_{t-2} + (\phi_3 - \phi_2)Y_{t-3} + \dots + (\phi_p - \phi_{p-1})Y_{t-p} + \epsilon_t - \theta_1\epsilon_{t-1} - \theta_2\epsilon_{t-2} - \dots - \theta_q\epsilon_{t-q}$$

The AR(1) process for  $\nabla Y_t = W_t$  has  $\phi_1 = 0.4$  and  $\phi_2 = 0.5$ , which give

- $1 + \phi_1 = 1.4$
- $\phi_2 - \phi_1 = 0.1$
- $-\phi_2 = -0.5$

These are the coefficients of  $Y_{t-k}$  in the original equation.

*Jacob:* What about the moving average terms?

*Jacob:* The coefficients of the error terms  $\epsilon_{t-k}$  remain unchanged; they are the negatives of the moving average parameters.

*Jacob:* What is the procedure for this transformation?

*Rachel:* The sum of the coefficients for the Y terms are equal on both sides of the equation.