Assignment 1

Solutions

1. (a) First note that:

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{1} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$$

and

$$\|\mathbf{1}\|^2 = \langle \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 = n.$$

We can compute the projection of ${\bf x}$ onto ${\cal M}$ using the general formula.

$$P_{\mathcal{V}}\mathbf{x} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{1} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{1}\|^2} \mathbf{1}$$
$$= \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \mathbf{1}$$
$$= \overline{x} \mathbf{1}$$
$$= (\overline{x}, \dots, \overline{x})$$

Since $\mathbf{x} = P_{\mathcal{M}}\mathbf{x} + P_{\mathcal{V}}\mathbf{x}$,

$$P_{\mathcal{V}}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} - P_{\mathcal{M}}\mathbf{x}$$
$$= (x_1, \dots, x_n) - (\overline{x}, \dots, \overline{x})$$
$$= (x_1 - \overline{x}, \dots, x_n - \overline{x})$$

In words, $P_{\mathcal{V}} \mathbf{x}$ is the vector of deviations from the mean.

(b) Using the results above

$$||P_{\mathcal{V}}\mathbf{x}||^2 / ||\mathbf{1}||^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2$$

Which is (very close to) the sample variance.

(c) The angle is defined by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\langle P_{\mathcal{V}} \mathbf{x}, P_{\mathcal{V}} \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\sqrt{\|P_{\mathcal{V}} \mathbf{x}\|^2 \|P_{\mathcal{V}} \mathbf{x}\|^2}}$$
$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \overline{y})^2}}$$

which is the correlation between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} .

- 2. The following R commands will generate the plots.
 - (a) plot(ARMAacf(ar=c(1.2,-0.7),lag=15),type="h").
 - (b) plot(ARMAacf(ar=c(-1,-0.6),lag=15),type="h").
 - (c) plot(ARMAacf(ma=c(1.2, -0.7),lag=15),type="h").
 - (d) plot(ARMAacf(ma=c(-1,-0.6),lag=15),type="h").
 - (e) plot(ARMAacf(ar=0.7,ma=0.4,lag=15),type="h").
 - (f) plot(ARMAacf(ar=0.7,ma=-0.4,lag=15),type="h").
- 3. The important trigonometric formula here is

$$\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta)].$$

To show weak stationarity we need to show that EY_t is constant and that $cov(Y_{t+u}, Y_t)$ depends only on u. Now

$$E(Y_t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} a \cos(\lambda t + \theta) \ d\theta = 0$$

and

$$\operatorname{cov}(Y_{t+u}, Y_t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} a^2 \cos(\lambda(t+u) + \theta) \cos(\lambda t + \theta) \, d\theta$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a^2}{2} \left[\cos(\lambda(2t+u) + 2\theta) + \cos(\lambda u) \right] \, d\theta$$
$$= \frac{a^2 \cos \lambda u}{2},$$

which depends only on u and not t.

Showing strict stationarity is much harder. Let's just show that the distribution of Y_{t+u} does not depend on u. This means showing that

$$P[\cos(\lambda t + \theta) < y] = P[\cos(\lambda(t + u) + \theta) < y]$$

for any value of y. This in turn will follow if we can show

$$P[\cos(\theta) < y] = P[\cos(\theta + c) < y]$$

for every c, because both the probabilities above must be equal to $P[\cos(\theta) < y]$.