

problem 3.2

(a) $X_0 = w_0$

$$X_1 = \varphi X_0 + w_1 = \varphi w_0 + w_1 = \sum_{j=0}^1 \varphi^j w_{1-j}$$

$$X_2 = \varphi X_1 + w_2 = \varphi \sum_{j=0}^1 \varphi^j w_{1-j} + w_2$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^2 \varphi^j w_{2-j}$$

⋮

(b) $E[X_t] = E\left[\sum_{j=0}^t \varphi^j w_{t-j}\right] = \sum_{j=0}^t \varphi^j E[w_{t-j}]$

linearity of
expectations

$$= 0$$

(c) $\text{Var}[X_t] = \text{Var}\left[\sum_{j=0}^t \varphi^j w_{t-j}\right] = \sum_{j=0}^t \varphi^{2j} \text{Var} w_{t-j}$

$$= \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^t \varphi^{2j} = \sigma_w^2 \frac{1 - \varphi^{2(t+1)}}{1 - \varphi^2}$$

geometric series

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$$\begin{aligned} (d) \quad \text{cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t) &= E \left[\left(\sum_{j=0}^{t+h} \varphi^j w_{t+h-j} \right) \left(\sum_{i=0}^t \varphi^i w_{t-i} \right) \right] \\ &= E \left[\left(\sum_{j=-h}^t \varphi^{j+h} w_{t-j} \right) \left(\sum_{i=0}^t \varphi^i w_{t-i} \right) \right] \\ &= E \left[\sum_{i=0}^t \varphi^{2i+h} w_{t-i} \right] \\ &= \varphi^h E \left[\sum_{i=0}^t \varphi^{2i} w_{t-i} \right] = \varphi^h \text{Var } X_t. \end{aligned}$$

(e) X_t is not stationary because
 $\text{Var}(X_t)$ & $\text{cov}(X_t, X_{t+h})$ depend on t .

$$\begin{aligned} (f) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}(X_t) &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_w^2 \frac{1 - \varphi^{2(t+1)}}{1 - \varphi^2} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_w^2}{1 - \varphi^2}. \end{aligned}$$

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(g) We could simulate $\{X_t\}_{t=-k}^m$ for some large integer k & throw away X_{-k}, \dots, X_{-1}

$$(h) \text{Var } X_0 = \sigma_w^2 / (1 - \phi^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var } X_1 &= \phi^2 \text{Var } X_0 + \sigma_w^2 \\ &= \frac{\sigma_w^2 \phi^2}{1 - \phi^2} + \sigma_w^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sigma_w^2 \left[1 + \frac{\phi^2}{1 - \phi^2} \right]$$

$$= \sigma_w^2 \left[\frac{1}{1 - \phi^2} \right] = \text{Var } X_0.$$

Similarly for X_2, X_3, \dots