

## ECE 792-41 Homework 2

**Material Covered: Linear Regression Model, Geometric Interpretation;  
Auto-Regressive (AR), Moving-Average (MA) and ARMA Processes,  
Yule-Walker Equations, Autocorrelation Functions.**

**Problem 1** Scheffe 1.1 (For  $\omega$ , you need to do partial differentiation; for  $\Omega$ , skip the derivation and directly write out the estimate for  $[\alpha \ \beta \ \gamma]^T$  using the normal equation in matrix-vector form. Do not simplify.)

**Problem 2** Scheffe 1.2

**Problem 3** Scheffe 1.4

**Problem 4** A first-order autoregressive (AR) process  $\{u(n)\}$  that is real-valued satisfies the real-valued difference equation

$$u(n) + a_1 u(n-1) = v(n)$$

where  $a_1$  is a constant and  $\{v(n)\}$  is a white-noise process of variance  $\sigma_v^2$ . Such a process is also referred to as a *first-order Markov process*.

- (a) Suppose in practical implementation, the generation of the process  $\{u(n)\}$  starts at  $n = 1$  with initialization  $u(0) = 0$ . Determine the mean of the actual  $\{u(n)\}$  process that we have obtained. Under what conditions  $E[u(n)]$  converges to a constant and what the constant is?
- (b) Now consider the case when  $\{v(n)\}$  has zero mean. Determine the variance of the actual  $\{u(n)\}$  process that we have obtained. Under what conditions  $\text{Var}[u(n)]$  converges to a constant and what the constant is?
- (c) For the conditions specified in part (b), find the autocorrelation function of the AR process  $\{u(n)\}$ . Sketch this autocorrelation function when  $n \gg k$ , for the two cases  $0 < a_1 < 1$  and  $-1 < a_1 < 0$ .

**Problem 5** Consider an autoregressive process  $\{u(n)\}$  of order 2, described by the difference equation

$$u(n) = u(n-1) - 0.5u(n-2) + v(n)$$

where  $\{v(n)\}$  is a white-noise process of zero mean and variance 0.5.

- (a) Write the Yule-Walker equations for the process.
- (b) Solve these two equations for the autocorrelation function values  $r(1)$  and  $r(2)$ .
- (c) Find the variance of  $\{u(n)\}$ .

**Problem 6** Consider an MA process  $\{x(n)\}$  of order 2 described by the difference equation

$$x(n) = v(n) + 0.75v(n-1) + 0.25v(n-2)$$

where  $\{v(n)\}$  is a zero mean white noise process of unit variance. The requirement is to approximate the process by an AR process  $\{u(n)\}$  of order  $M$ . Do this approximation for the orders  $M = 2$  and  $M = 5$ , respectively.