

# MATH 7339 - Machine Learning and Statistical Learning Theory 2

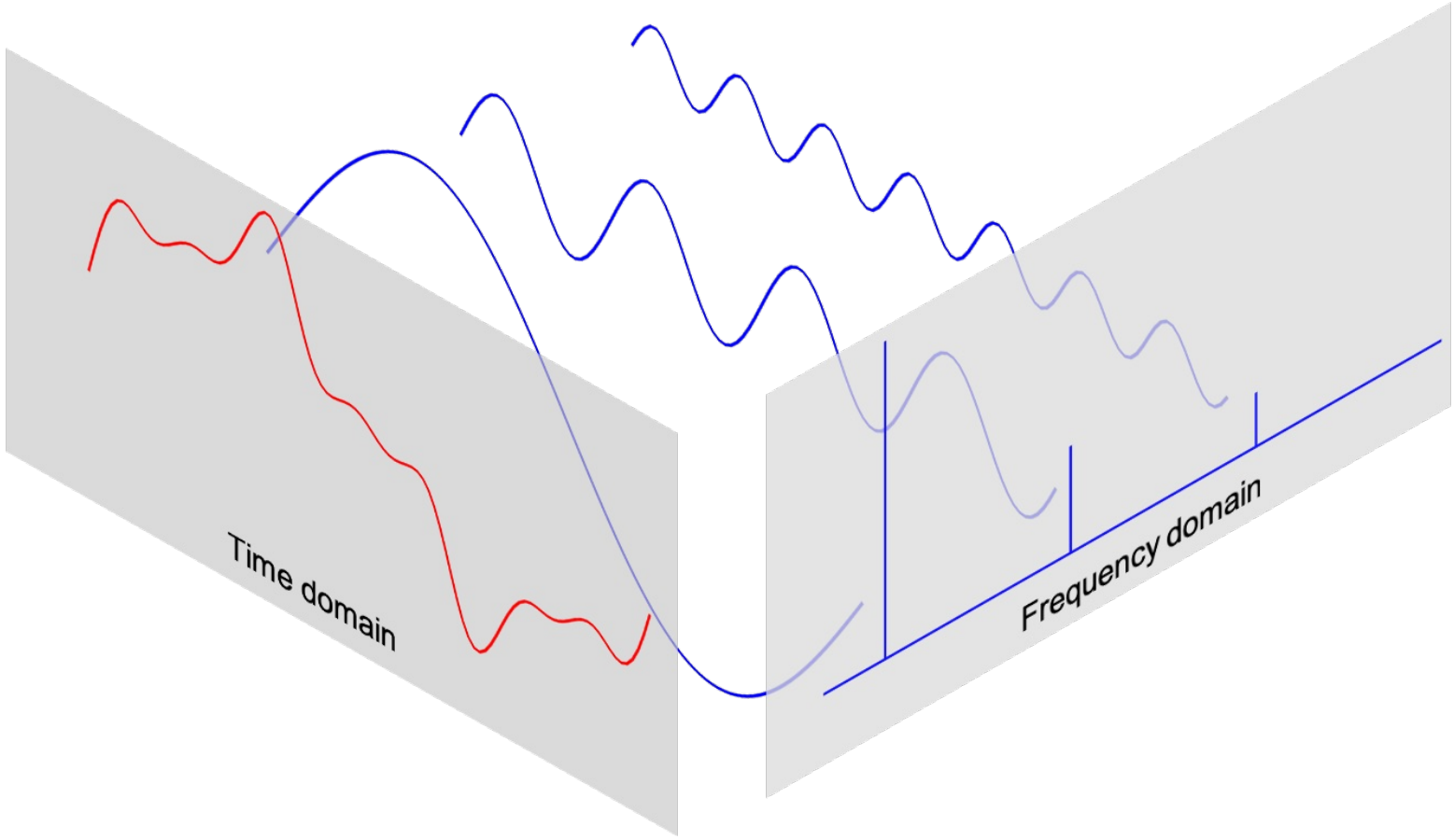
## Section- Introduction to Spectral Analysis

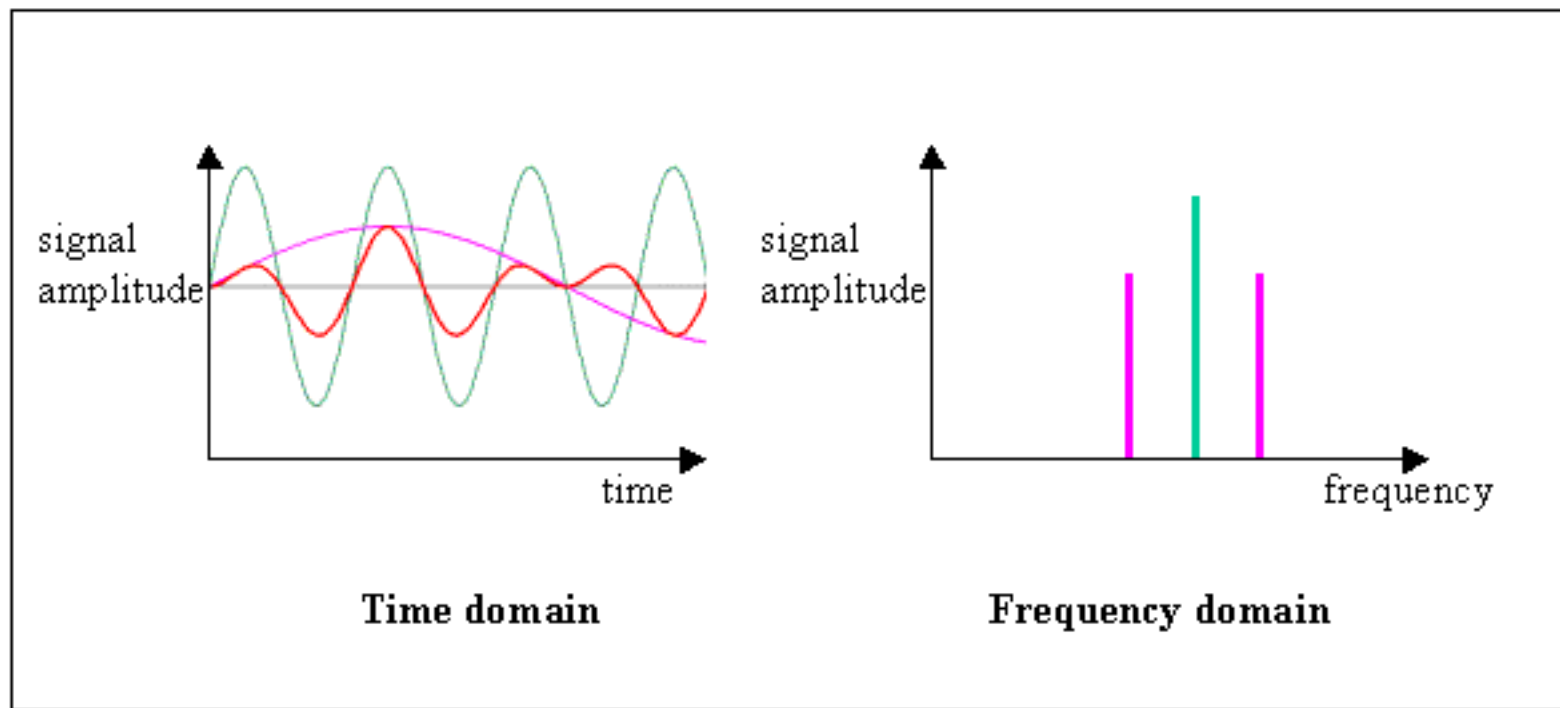
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## Motivation of Spectral Analysis

There are two primary approaches to time series.

1. One is the **time domain** approach, which we covered in our previous few sections. This approach focuses on the rules for a time series to move forward. It considers *regression of the present on the past values of the time series*. The models give an explicit formula for the current observation in terms of past observations and past white noise terms.
2. The other approach is the **frequency domain** approach (**spectral analysis**). This approach tries to understand how differing oscillations can contribute to current observations.

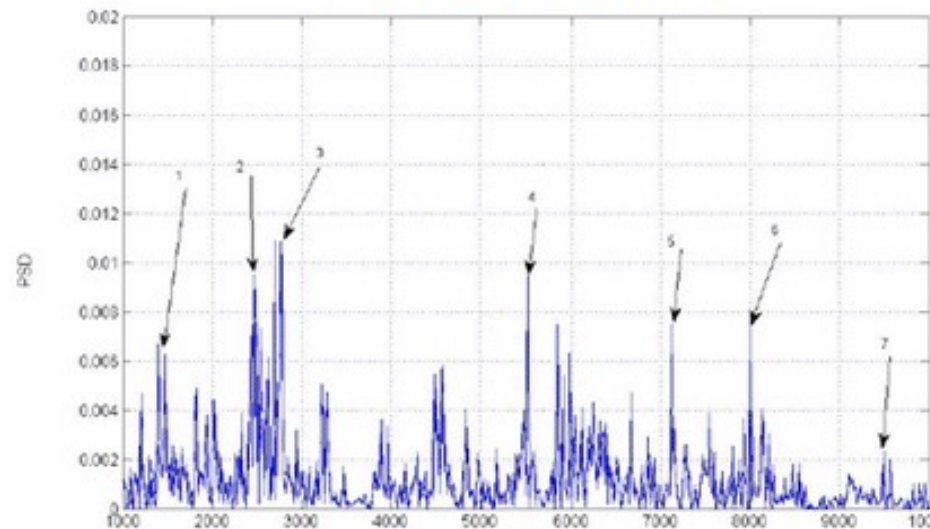
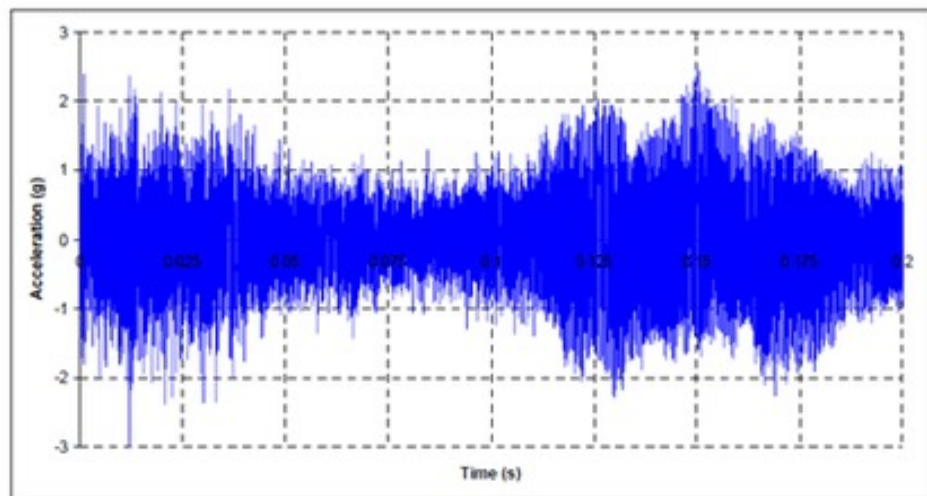




**SAMPLE INPUT / OUTPUT ( FROM REFERENCE PAPER)**

**Time Domain**

**Frequency Domain**



## Frequency Domain Approach

**Idea of Spectral Analysis:** decompose a stationary time series  $\{X_t\}$  into a combination of sinusoids, with random (and uncorrelated) coefficients. The frequency domain approach considers regression on sinusoids.

Just as in Fourier analysis, where we decompose (deterministic) functions into combinations of sinusoids.

**Frequency domain approach** model the current observation as a combination of waves. *Regression of the current time on sines and cosines of various frequencies.* In Spectral Analysis,

- Identify **dominant frequencies** within the data.
- Periodogram: **sample variance** at different of frequencies.
- Power spectrum: **population** version of the periodogram.

## Periodic functions

Consider  $\mu_t$  as a **periodic function**. For example,

$$\mu_t = A \cos(2\pi\omega t + \phi)$$

where

- **$A$ : Amplitude**
- **$\phi$ : Phase**
  
- **$\omega$ : Frequency**
- **$\frac{1}{\omega}$ : Period**

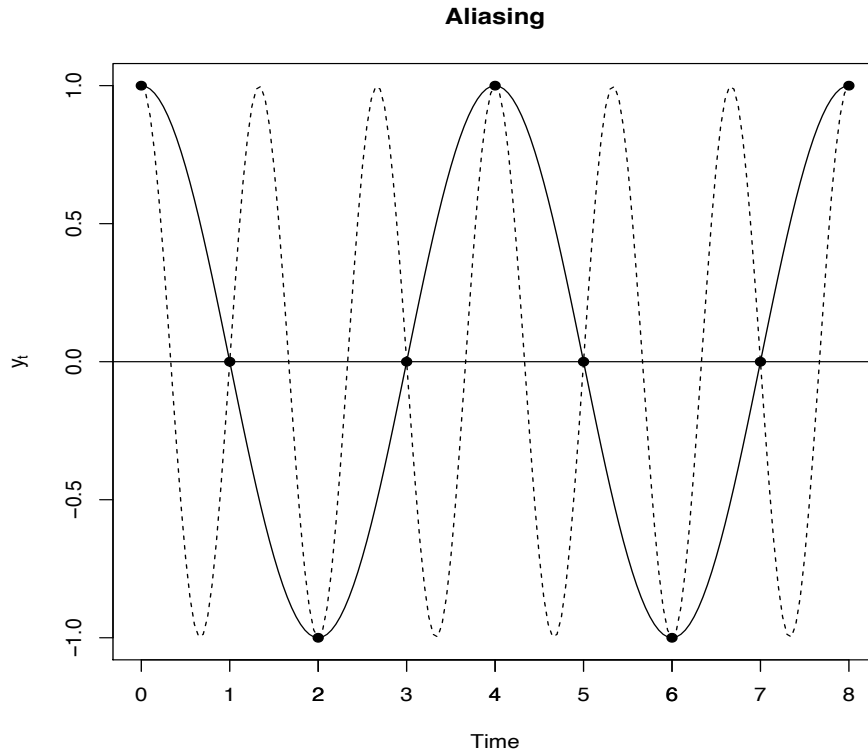
**Period** and **frequency** are inversely related.

# Aliasing

When  $\omega = 1$ , the time series makes one cycle per time unit.

When  $\omega = 0.5$ , the time series makes one cycle every two time units.

When  $\omega = 0.25$ , the time series makes one cycle every four time units.



$\omega = 0.25$  (bold)

$\omega = 0.75$  (dashed)

Notice that at the discrete time points 0, 1, 2, 3, ..., the two cosine curves have identical values. With discrete-time observations, we would not be able to distinguish between the two curves. So, the frequencies 1/4 and 3/4 are aliased with one another.

## Some trigonometric identities

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\sin(a + b) = \sin a \cos b + \cos a \sin b,$$

$$\cos(a + b) = \cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b.$$



Having the  $\phi$  inside the cosine function  $A \cos(2\pi\omega t + \phi)$  can be problematic since if we want to do a regression, the  $\phi$  makes this a non-linear regression. This issue is worked around using a trig identity

$$\begin{aligned} A \cos(2\pi\omega t + \phi) &= A \cos \phi \cos(2\pi\omega t) - A \sin \phi \sin(2\pi\omega t) \\ &= U_1 \cos(2\pi\omega t) + U_2 \sin(2\pi\omega t) \end{aligned}$$

We assume  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are iid Gaussian with zero mean and fixed variance.

## Periodic Time Series

Consider time series

$$X_t = A \sin(2\pi\omega t) + B \cos(\pi\omega t)$$

where  $A, B$  are uncorrelated, mean zero, variance  $\sigma^2$  and  $C^2 = A^2 + B^2$  and  $\tan \phi = \frac{B}{A}$ .

Then,

$$\mu_t = E[X_t] = 0$$

$$\gamma(h) = \gamma(t, t + h)$$

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 \cos(2\pi\omega h)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t+h})$$

So,  $\{X_t\}$  is stationary.

## Multiple frequencies and amplitudes

The autocovariance of the sum of two uncorrelated time series is the sum of their autocovariances. Thus, the autocovariance of a sum of random sinusoids is a sum of sinusoids with the corresponding frequencies:

$$X_t = \sum_{j=1}^k A_j \sin(2\pi\omega_j t) + B_j \cos(\pi\omega_j t)$$

$$\gamma(h) = \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_j^2 \cos(2\pi\omega_j h)$$

where  $A_j$  and  $B_j$  are uncorrelated, mean zero, variance  $\sigma_j^2$ .

A consequence of the representation of  $X_t$  is that any stationary time series may be thought of, approximately, as the random superposition of sines and cosines oscillating at various frequencies.

What is the variance of  $X_t$ ?

## □ Spectral density

Computing the Fourier transform of the data is faster than fitting a linear regression.

Before we discuss that Fourier transform, we'll discuss the *Fourier transform the autocovariance function*  $\gamma(h)$ , which is the “spectral density.”

We can represent autocovariance  $\gamma(h)$  using a Fourier series. The coefficients are the variances of the sinusoidal components.

Autocovariance is in terms of lags whereas spectral density is in terms of cycles.

Recall Euler's Formula:

$$e^{ix} = \cos(x) + i \sin(x)$$

So,

$$\cos x = \frac{e^{-ix} + e^{ix}}{2}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{e^{-ix} - e^{ix}}{2}$$

Suppose  $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\gamma(h)| < \infty$ , then the **spectral density** is defined as

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h}$$

for  $-\infty < \omega < \infty$

## Motivation Example

Here is an example of a spectral representation of an autocovariance function.

$$\text{Let } X_t = A \sin\left(2\pi \frac{1}{4}t\right) + B \cos\left(2\pi \frac{1}{4}t\right)$$

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 \cos\left(2\pi \frac{1}{4}t\right) = \sigma^2 \frac{e^{-i2\pi \frac{1}{4}t} + e^{i2\pi \frac{1}{4}t}}{2} = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} dF(\omega)$$

$$F(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega < \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{\sigma^2}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \leq \omega < \frac{1}{4} \\ \sigma^2 & \omega \geq \frac{1}{4} \end{cases}$$

This  $F(\omega)$  **always** exists for **all** stationary processes.

### Proposition:

Let  $X_t$  be **stationary** with an autocovariance function  $\gamma(h)$ . Then there exists a **unique** monotonically increasing function  $F(\omega)$ , called the **spectral distribution function**, that satisfies

- $F(-\infty) = F\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$  for  $\omega \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- $F(\infty) = F\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \gamma(0)$  for  $\omega \geq \frac{1}{2}$
- $\gamma(h) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} dF(\omega)$

- Remark: 1. We can split  $F$  into three components: discrete, continuous, and singular.  
2. If  $\gamma(h)$  is absolutely summable,  $F$  is continuous:  $dF(\omega) = f(\omega)d\omega$  .  
3. If  $\gamma(h)$  is a sum of sinusoids,  $F$  is discrete.

## A periodic time series

$$\begin{aligned} X_t &= \sum_{j=1}^k A_j \sin(2\pi\omega_j t) + B_j \cos(\pi\omega_j t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^k (A_j^2 + B_j^2)^{1/2} \sin\left(2\pi\omega_j t + \tan^{-1} \frac{B_j}{A_j}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_j^2 \cos(2\pi\omega_j h) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} dF(\omega)$$

where the discrete distribution  $F = \sigma^2(F_1 + \dots + F_k)$

$$F_j(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \omega < -\omega_j \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } -\omega_j \leq \omega \leq \omega_j \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



For ARMA models, we will also have a spectral representation of the autocovariance function, but the integral will be a smoother blend without any jumps:

$$\gamma(h) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} dF(\omega) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} f(\omega) d\omega$$

Suppose  $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\gamma(h)| < \infty$ , then the **spectral density** is

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h}$$

for  $-1/2 < \omega < 1/2$ . (*f is periodic, with period 1.*)

Autocovariance is in terms of **lags** whereas spectral density is in terms of **cycles**.

## Wold's decomposition

Notice that the following is deterministic (once we've seen the past, we can predict the future without error).

$$X_t = \sum_{j=1}^k A_j \sin(2\pi\omega_j t) + B_j \cos(\pi\omega_j t)$$

Wold showed that every **stationary** process can be represented as

$$X_t = X_t^{(d)} + X_t^{(n)}$$

where  $X_t^{(d)}$  is deterministic and  $X_t^{(n)}$  is nondeterministic

(The decomposition of a spectral distribution function as  $F^{(d)} + F^{(c)}$ .)

Example:  $X_t = A \sin(2\pi\lambda t) + \frac{\theta(B)}{\phi(B)} W_t$

## Some Remarks on Spectral density

- The spectral density provides information about the relative strengths of the various frequencies for explaining the variation in the time series.
- The spectral density is also called the power spectrum.
- Remember that  $\gamma(h)$  completely determines the distribution for a stationary Gaussian process. So, the spectral density also completely determines the distribution for a stationary Gaussian process.

When  $h = 0$ ,

$$\gamma(h) = \text{Var}(X_t) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} f(\omega) d\omega$$

An interpretation is that the total integrated spectral density equals the variance of the time series. Thus the spectral density within a particular interval of frequencies can be viewed as the amount of the variance explained by those frequencies.

## Proposition:

- $f(\omega) \geq 0$ , because  $\gamma(h)$  is non-negative definite.
- $f(\omega)$  is even, i.e.  $f(\omega) = f(-\omega)$
- $f(\omega) = f(\omega + 1)$
- $f(\omega)$  is periodic, with period 1. (Since  $e^{-2\pi i\omega h}$  periodic with period 1.)

- $$\gamma(h) = \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{i2\pi\omega h} f(\omega) d\omega$$

## Example: Spectral Density of White Noise

For white noise  $\{W_t\}$ , we have autocovariance  $\gamma(0) = \sigma^2$  and  $\gamma(h) = 0$  for  $h \neq 0$ . Thus

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h} = \gamma(0) = \sigma^2$$

This means all frequencies receive equal weight. This is analogous to the spectrum of white light, where all colors enter equally in white light. (Hence the term white noise.)

## Example: Spectral Density of AR(1)

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + W_t$$

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 \frac{\phi^h}{1 - \phi^2}$$

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h} = \dots$$

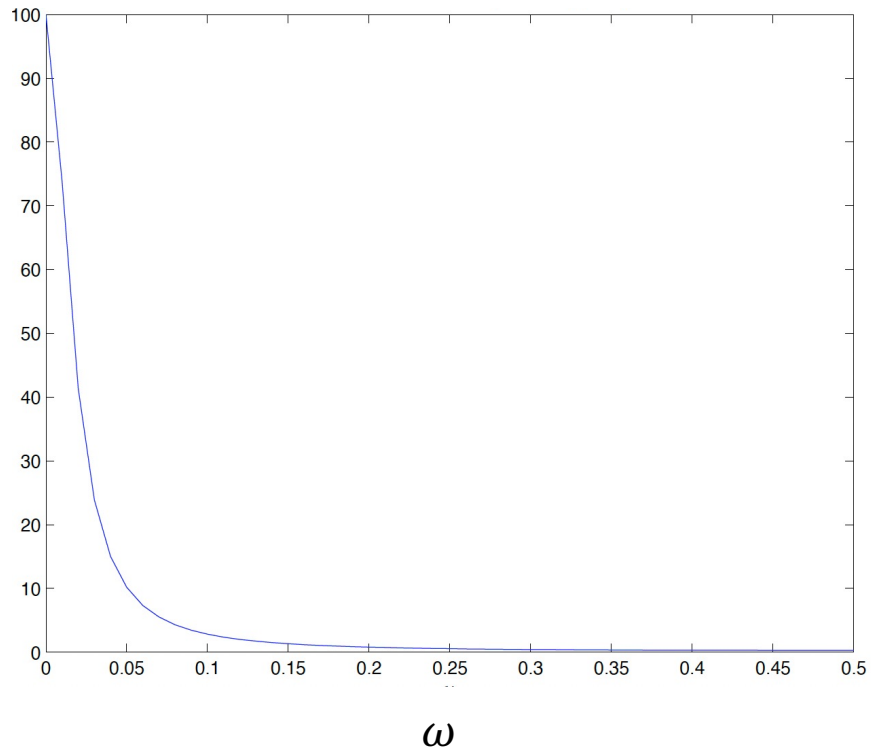
$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - 2\phi \cos(2\pi\omega) + \phi^2}$$

- If  $\phi > 0$  (positive autocorrelation), spectrum is dominated by low frequency components—smooth in the time domain.
- If  $\phi < 0$  (negative autocorrelation), spectrum is dominated by high frequency components—rough in the time domain.

## Example: Spectral Density of AR(1)

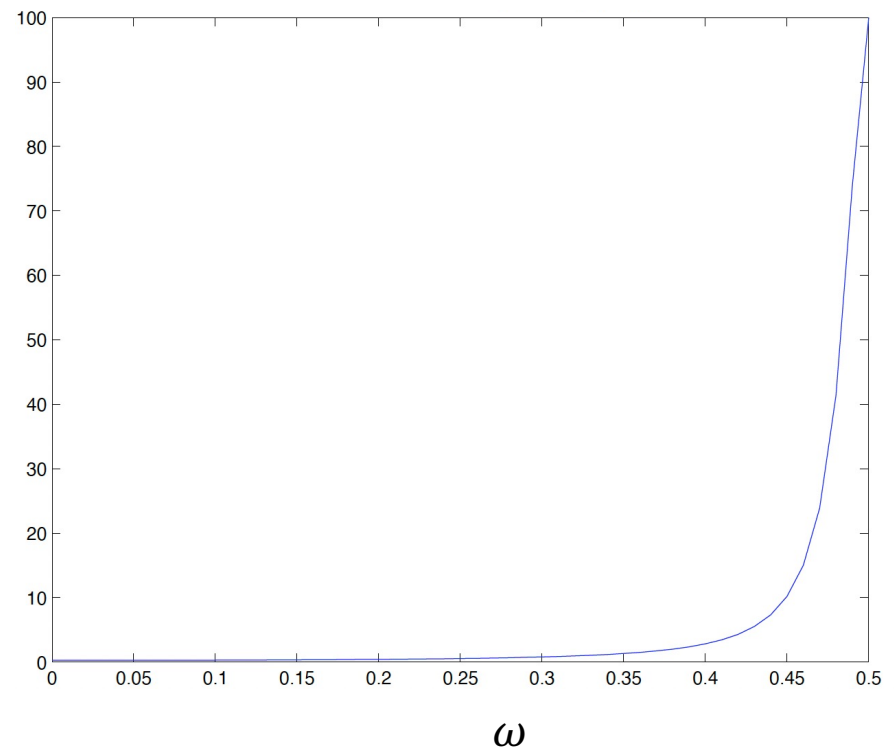
$$X_t = 0.9X_{t-1} + W_t$$

$f(\omega)$



$$X_t = -0.9X_{t-1} + W_t$$

$f(\omega)$



## Example: Spectral Density of MA(1)

$$X_t = W_t + \theta W_{t-1}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2(1 + \theta^2) & \text{if } h = 0 \\ \sigma^2\theta & \text{if } h = 1, \text{ or } -1 \\ 0 & \text{others} \end{cases}$$

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h} = \dots$$

$$= \gamma(0) + 2\gamma(1) \cos(2\pi\omega)$$

$$= \sigma^2(1 + 2\theta^2 + 2\theta \cos(2\pi\omega))$$

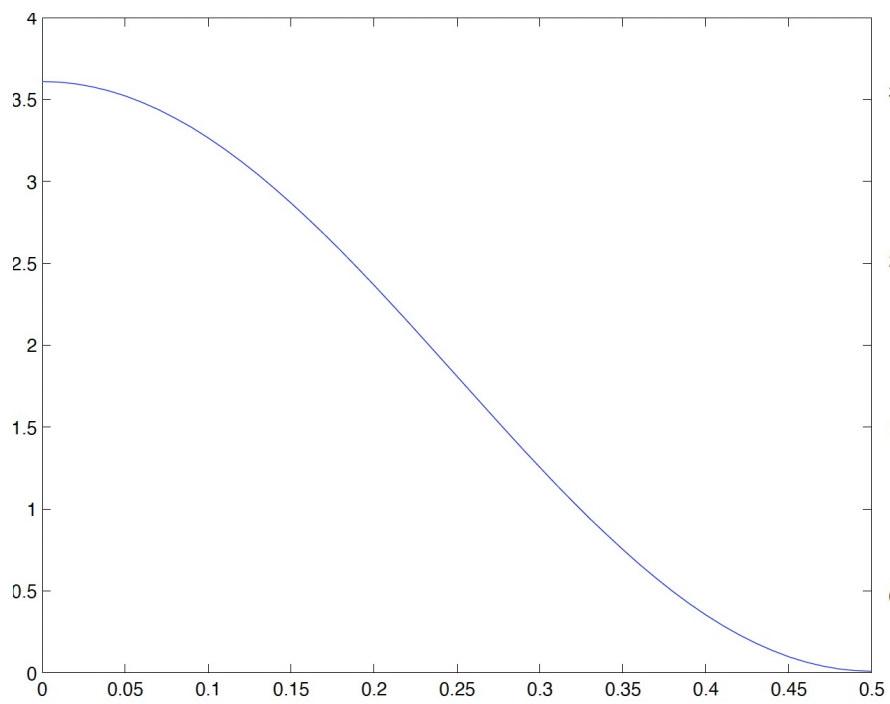
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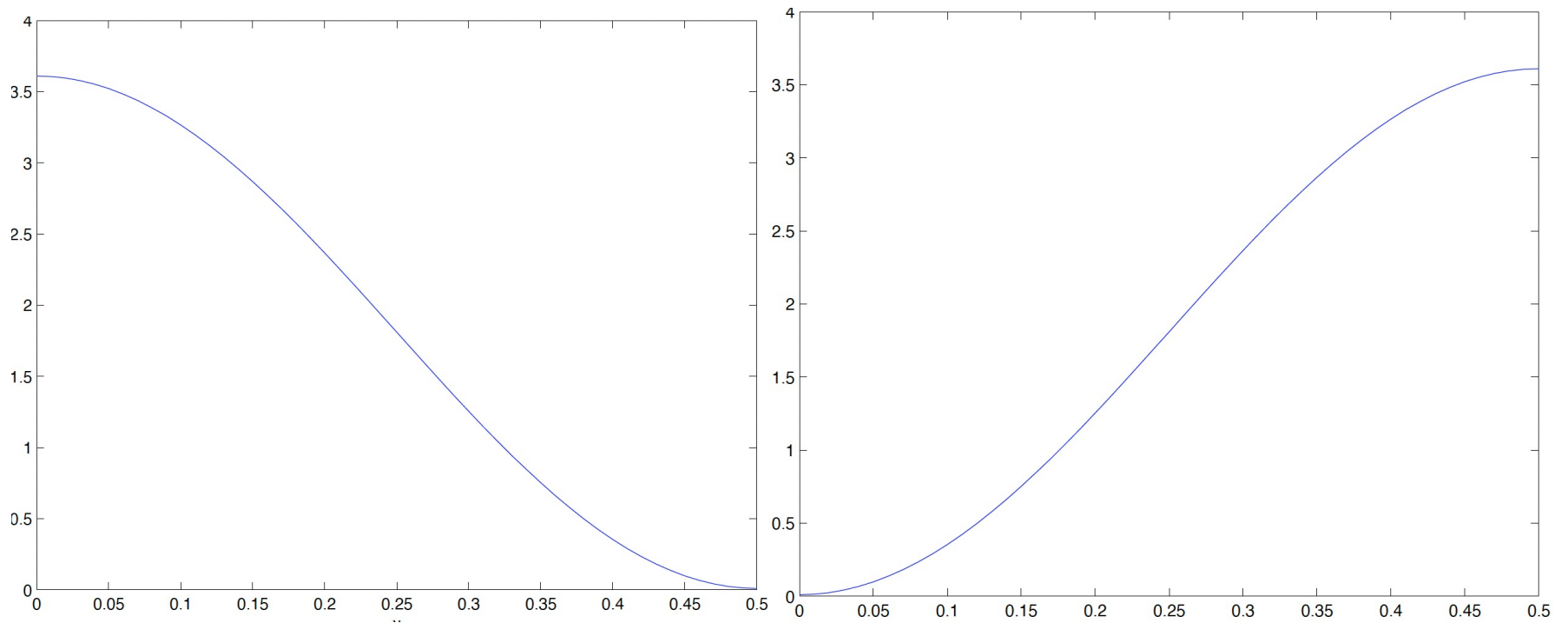


## Example: Spectral Density of MA(1)

$$X_t = W_t + 0.9W_{t-1}$$



$$X_t = W_t - 0.9W_{t-1}$$



## □ Spectral density for causal ARMA processes (or a linear process)

A zero-mean **causal** ARMA(p,q) process  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$  can be written as a linear process:

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j} = \psi(B)W_t \quad \text{where } \psi(B) = \frac{\theta(B)}{\phi(B)}$$

The autocovariance function is

$$\gamma(h) = E(X_t X_{t+h}) = \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_{j+h}$$

Define the autocovariance **generating function** as

$$\Gamma(B) := \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) B^h = \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_{j+h} B^h$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \psi_k B^{k-j} = \sigma^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j B^{-j} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi_k B^k \\
&= \sigma^2 \psi(B^{-1}) \psi(B)
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma:** If  $\Gamma(B) = \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) B^h$ , then,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\omega) &= \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h) e^{-2\pi i \omega h} = \Gamma(e^{-2\pi i \omega h}) = \sigma^2 \psi(e^{-2\pi i \omega h}) \psi(e^{2\pi i \omega h}) \\
&= \sigma^2 |\psi(e^{2\pi i \omega h})|^2
\end{aligned}$$

## Spectral density for a causal ARMA process

**Proposition:** The spectral density for a causal ARMA process can be expressed as

$$f(\omega) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{\theta(e^{-2\pi i\omega})}{\phi(e^{-2\pi i\omega})} \right|^2$$

This is also called the **rational spectrum** of an ARMA(p,q).

Recall (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra) that every degree  $p$  polynomial  $g(z)$  can be factorized as

$$g(z) = a(z - z_1)(z - z_2) \cdots (z - z_p)$$

where  $z_1, \dots, z_p$  are complex roots.

For the MA and AR polynomials,

$$\theta(z) = \theta_q(z - z_1)(z - z_2) \cdots (z - z_q)$$

$$\phi(z) = \phi_p(z - p_1)(z - p_2) \cdots (z - p_p)$$

where  $z_1, \dots, z_q$  and  $p_1, \dots, p_p$  are called the **zeros** and **poles**.

$$f(\omega) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{\theta(e^{-2\pi i \omega})}{\phi(e^{-2\pi i \omega})} \right|^2 = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{\theta_q \prod_{j=1}^q (e^{-2\pi i \omega} - z_j)}{\phi_p \prod_{j=1}^p (e^{-2\pi i \omega} - p_j)} \right|^2 = \sigma^2 \frac{\theta_q^2 \prod_{j=1}^q |e^{-2\pi i \omega} - z_j|^2}{\phi_p^2 \prod_{j=1}^p |e^{-2\pi i \omega} - p_j|^2}$$

- As  $\omega$  varies from 0 to  $1/2$ ,  $e^{-2\pi i \omega}$  moves clockwise around the unit circle from 1 to  $e^{-\pi i} = -1$ .
- And the value of  $f(\omega)$  goes up as this point moves closer to (further from) the poles  $p_j$  (zeros  $z_j$ ).

## Remarks on Spectral Density of AR(1) and MA(1)

Recall AR(1):  $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z$ . The pole is at  $1/\phi_1$ .

- If  $\phi_1 > 0$ , the pole is to the right of 1, so the spectral density decreases as  $\omega$  moves away from 0.
- If  $\phi_1 < 0$ , the pole is to the left of  $-1$ , so the spectral density is at its maximum when  $\omega = 0.5$ .

Recall MA(1):  $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z$ . The zero is at  $-1/\theta_1$ .

- If  $\theta_1 > 0$ , the zero is to the left of  $-1$ , so the spectral density decreases as moves towards  $-1$ .
- If  $\theta_1 < 0$ , the zero is to the right of 1, so the spectral density is at its minimum when  $\omega = 0$ .

## Example: Spectral Density of AR(2)

Suppose we have the following AR(2) model:

$$X_t = X_{t-1} - 0.9X_{t-2} + W_t \quad \text{with } \sigma^2 = 1$$

The roots (poles) of the AR polynomial  $\phi(z) = 0.9z^2 - z + 1$  are

$$p_1, p_2 = 0.555 \pm i 0.8958.$$

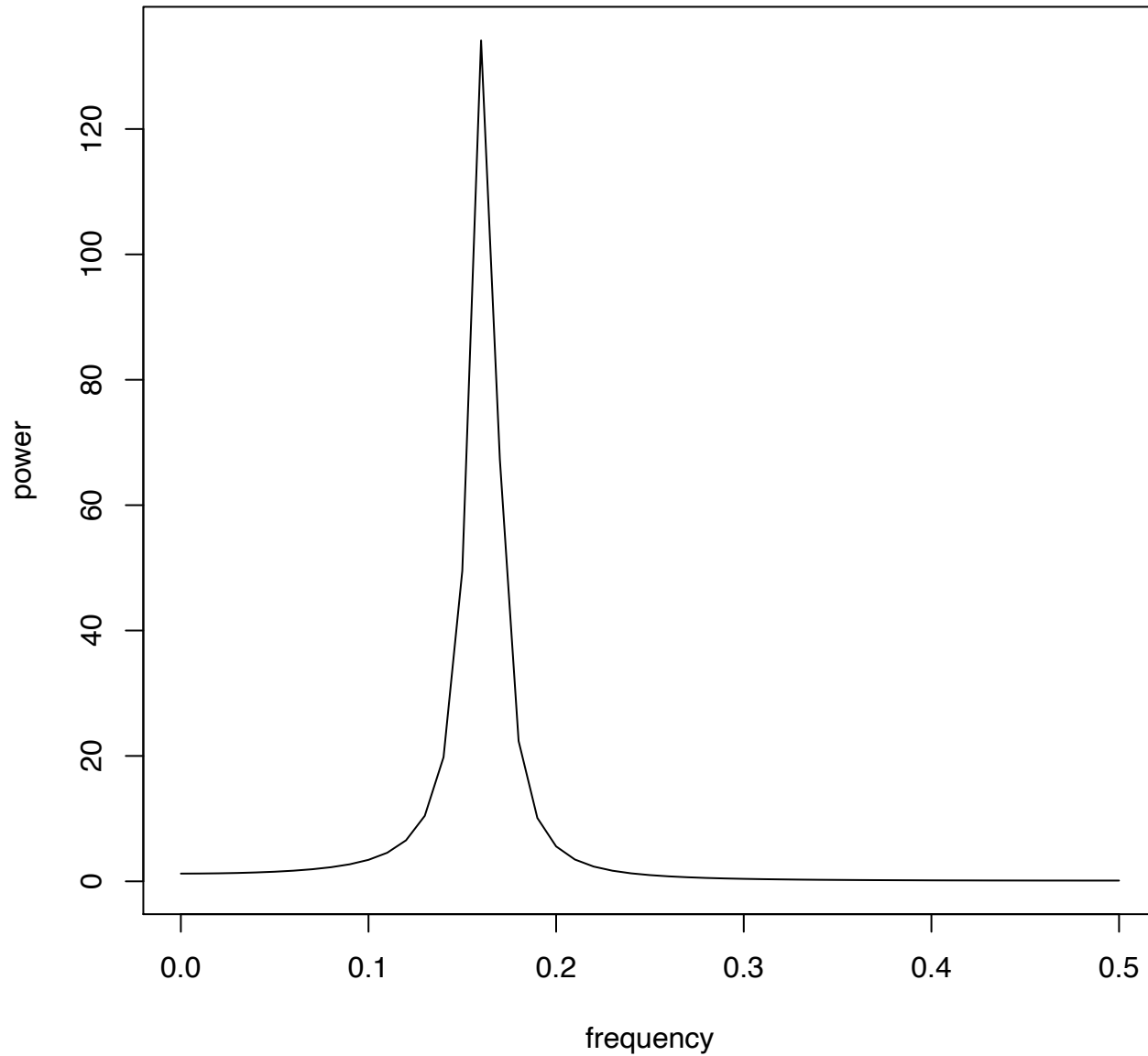
Using the representation, the spectral density is

$$f(\omega) = \frac{1}{\phi_2^2 |e^{-2\pi i \omega} - p_1|^2 |e^{-2\pi i \omega} - p_2|^2}$$

The peaks of the spectral density for this process occurs when

$$e^{-2\pi i \omega} \text{ is near } 1.054e^{-2\pi i 0.16165}$$

Power spectrum of AR(2) with  $\phi = (-1, 0.9)$





## Example: Seasonal ARMA

Suppose we have the following Seasonal AR model:

$$X_t = \phi_1 X_{t-12} + W_t$$

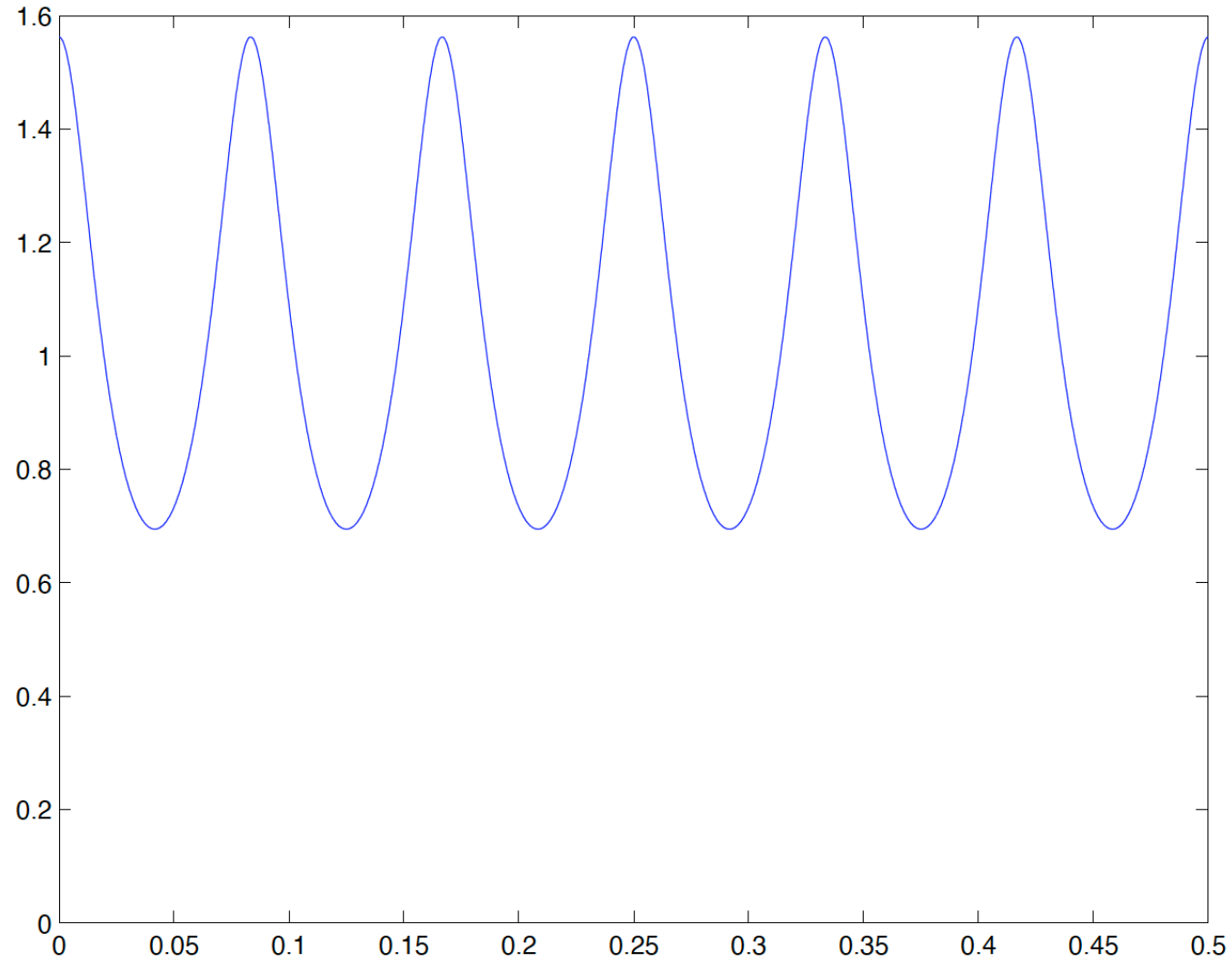
$$\psi(B) = \frac{1}{1 - \phi_1 B^{12}}$$

$$f(\omega) = \sigma^2 \frac{1}{(1 - \phi_1 e^{-2\pi i 12 \omega})(1 - \phi_1 e^{2\pi i 12 \omega})}$$

$$= \sigma^2 \frac{1}{1 - 2\phi_1 \cos(24\pi\omega) + \phi_1^2}$$

Notice that  $f(\omega)$  is periodic with period  $1/12$

Spectral density of AR(1)<sub>12</sub>:  $X_t = +0.2 X_{t-12} + W_t$



## Example: Multiplicative seasonal ARMA

Suppose we have the following Seasonal AR model:

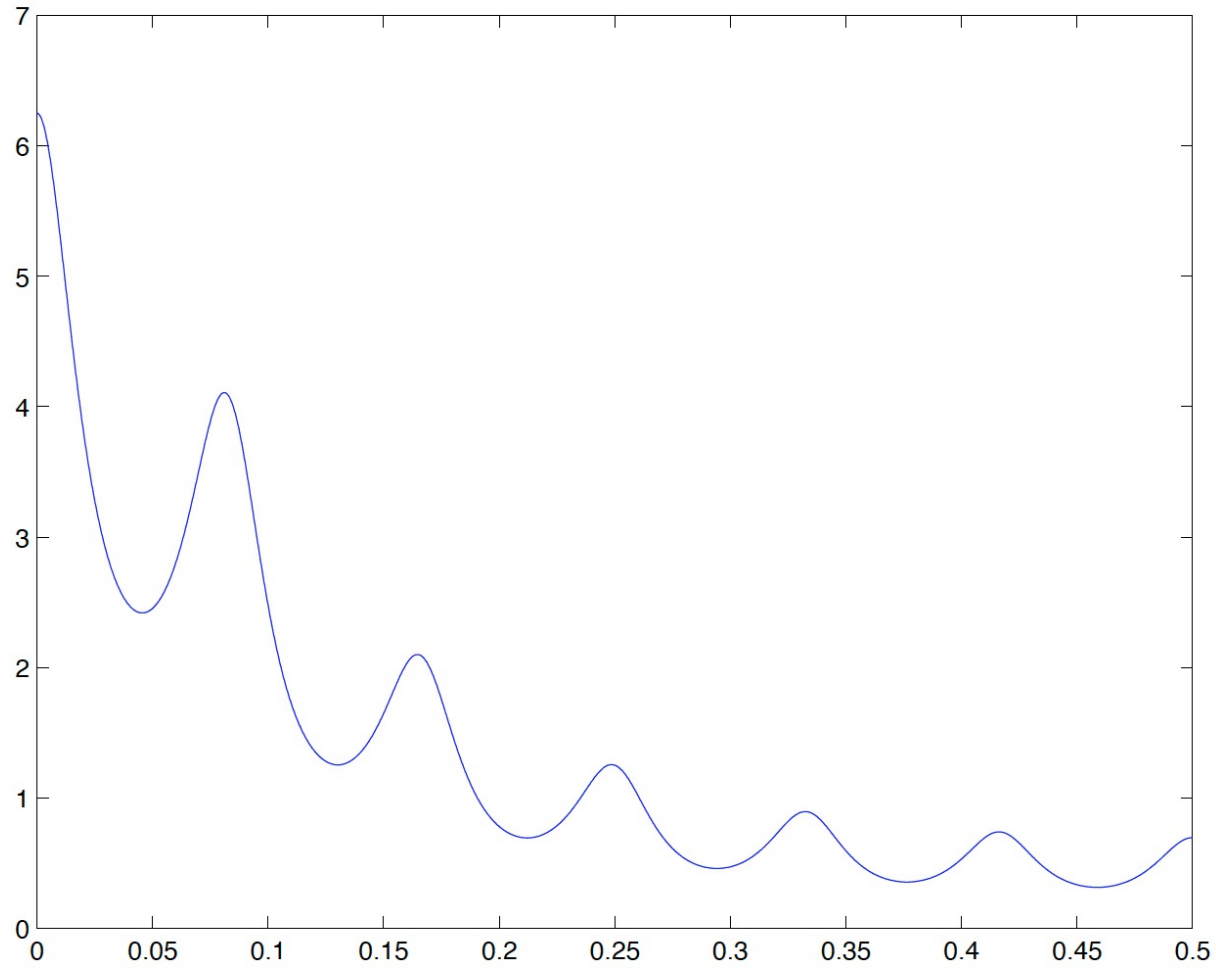
$$(1 - \phi_{12}B^{12})(1 - \phi_1B)X_t = W_t$$

$$f(\omega) = \sigma^2 \frac{1}{(1 - 2\phi_{12} \cos(24\pi\omega) + \phi_{12}^2)(1 - 2\phi_1 \cos(2\pi\omega) + \phi_1^2)}$$

This is a scaled product of the AR(1) spectrum and the (periodic)  $AR(1)_{12}$  spectrum.

The  $AR(1)_{12}$  poles give peaks when  $e^{-2\pi i\omega}$  is at one of the 12th roots of 1; the AR(1) poles give a peak near  $e^{-2\pi i\omega} = 1$ .

Spectral density of AR(1)AR(1)<sub>12</sub>:  $(1+0.5 B)(1+0.2 B^{12}) X_t = W_t$



## □ Time-invariant linear filters

**Definition:** A time series  $\{Y_t\}$  is the output of a **linear filter**  $A = \{a_{t,j}\}$  with input  $\{X_t\}$  if

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{t,j} X_{t-j}$$

1. If  $a_{t,j}$  is independent of  $t$ , (*i. e.*,  $a_{t,j} = \psi_j$ ), then we say that the filter is **time-invariant**.
2. If  $\psi_j = 0$  for  $j < 0$ , we say the filter  $\psi_j$  is **causal**.

A **filter** is an operator; given a time series  $\{X_t\}$ , it maps to a time series  $\{Y_t\}$ .

For example, we can think of a linear process

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

as the output of a causal linear filter with a white noise input.

## Examples:

1.  $Y_t = X_{-t}$  is linear, but not time-invariant.

2.  $Y_t = \frac{1}{3}(X_{t-1} + X_t + X_{t+1})$  is linear, time-invariant, but not causal:

$$\psi_j = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } |j| \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

3. For polynomials  $\phi(B)$  and  $\theta(B)$  with roots outside the unit circle,  $\psi(B) = \frac{\theta(B)}{\phi(B)}$  is a linear, time-invariant, causal filter.

4. The linear operation 
$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j X_{t-j}$$

is called the **convolution** of  $X$  with  $\psi$

The sequence  $\psi$  is also called the **impulse response**, since the output  $\{Y_t\}$  of the linear filter in response to a **unit impulse**,

$$X_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is

$$Y_t = \psi(B)X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j X_{t-j} = \psi_t$$

## □ Frequency response of a time-invariant linear filter

Consider a time-invariant linear filter

$$Y_t = \psi(B)X_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j X_{t-j}$$

Suppose  $\{X_t\}$  has spectral density  $f_x(\omega)$  and  $\psi$  is **stable**, that is,  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ .  
Then  $Y_t = \psi(B)X_t$  has **spectral density**

$$f_y(\omega) = |\psi(e^{2\pi i\omega})|^2 f_x(\omega)$$

The function  $\omega \rightarrow \psi(e^{2\pi i\omega})$  (the polynomial  $\psi(z)$  evaluated on the unit circle) is known as the **frequency response** or **transfer function** of the linear filter.

The squared modulus,  $\omega \rightarrow |\psi(e^{2\pi i\omega})|^2$  is known as the **power transfer function** of the filter.



When we pass a time series  $\{X_t\}$  through a linear filter, the spectral density is multiplied, frequency-by-frequency, by the squared modulus of the frequency response  $\omega \rightarrow |\psi(e^{2\pi i\omega})|^2$

This is a version of the equality  $Var(aX) = a^2Var(X)$ , but the equality is true for the component of the variance at every frequency.

This is also the origin of the name ‘filter.’

For example, a linear process is a special case of linear filter

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

$$f_y(\omega) = |\psi(e^{2\pi i\omega})|^2 f_w(\omega)$$

For an ARMA model,  $\psi(B) = \frac{\theta(B)}{\phi(B)}$ , the model  $\{Y_t\}$  has rational spectrum,

$$f_y(\omega) = \sigma^2 \left| \frac{\theta(e^{-2\pi i\omega})}{\phi(e^{-2\pi i\omega})} \right|^2 = \sigma^2 \frac{\theta_q^2 \prod_{j=1}^q |e^{-2\pi i\omega} - z_j|^2}{\phi_p^2 \prod_{j=1}^p |e^{-2\pi i\omega} - p_j|^2}$$

where  $p_j$  and  $z_j$  are the poles and zeros of the rational function  $z \rightarrow \theta(z)/\phi(z)$

## Example: Moving average

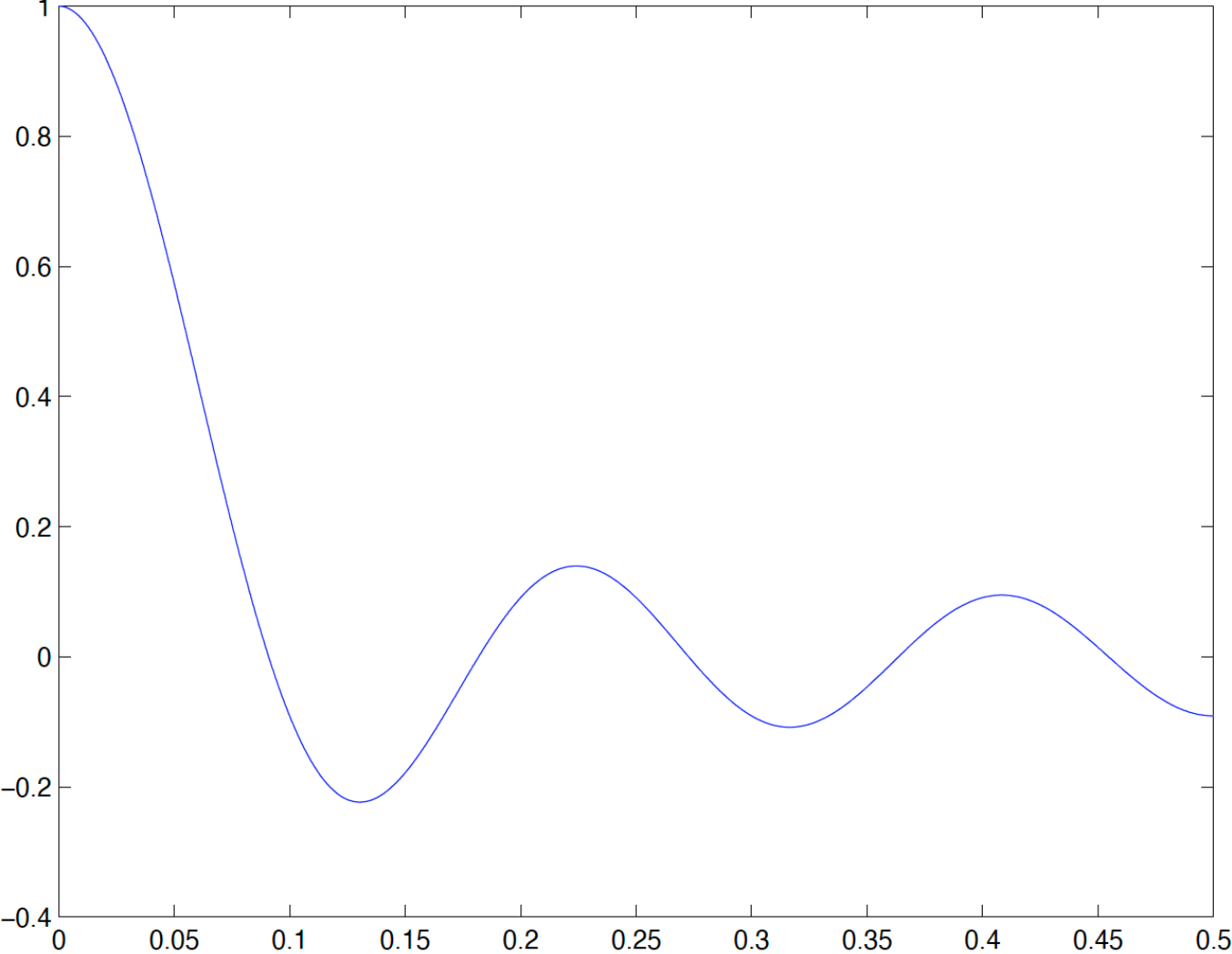
Consider the moving average

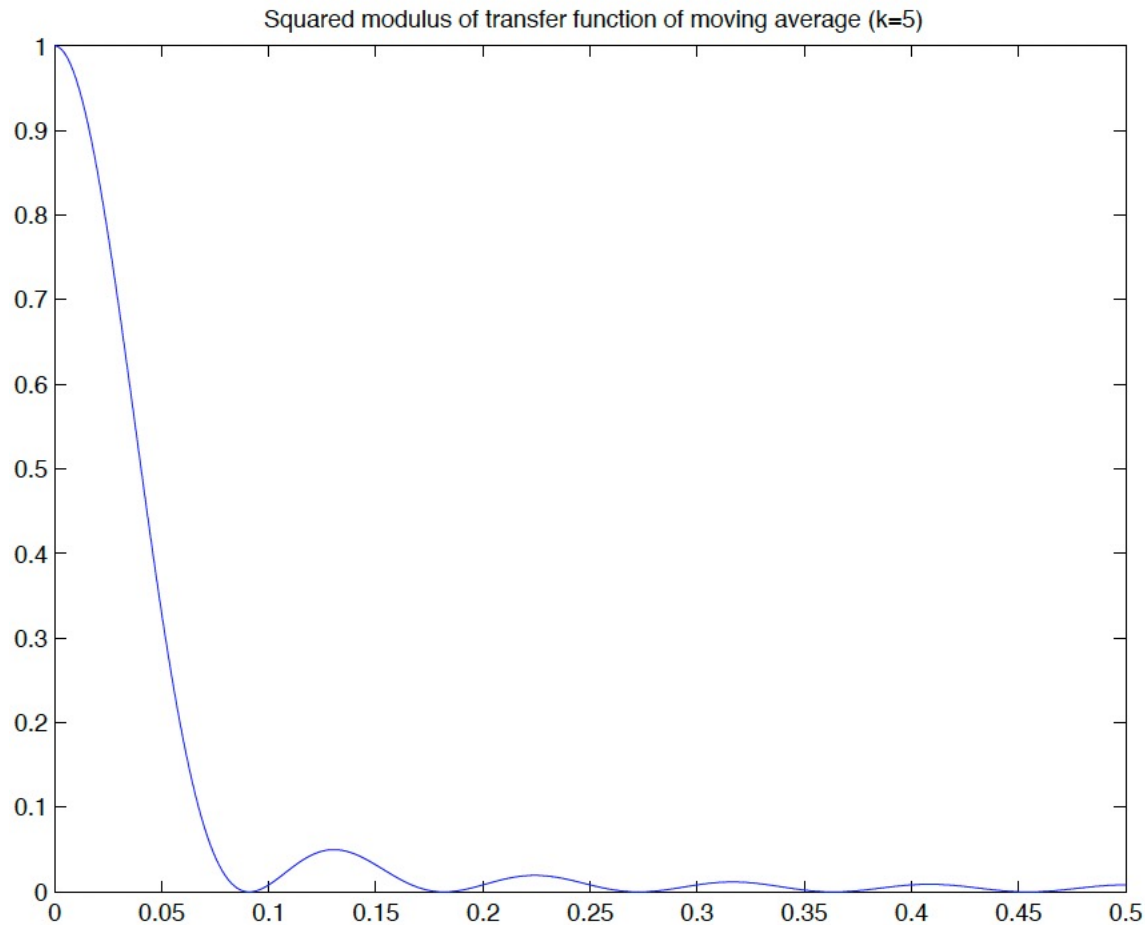
$$Y_t = \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=-k}^k X_{t-j}$$

This is a time invariant linear filter (but it is not causal). Its transfer function is the Dirichlet kernel

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(e^{-2\pi i\omega}) &= D_k(2\pi\omega) = \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=-k}^k e^{-2\pi i j\omega} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \omega = 0 \\ \frac{\sin\left(2\pi\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)\omega\right)}{(2k+1)\sin(\pi\omega)} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Transfer function of moving average (k=5)





This is a low-pass filter: It preserves low frequencies and diminishes high frequencies. It is often used to estimate a monotonic trend component of a series.

## Example: Differencing

Consider the first difference

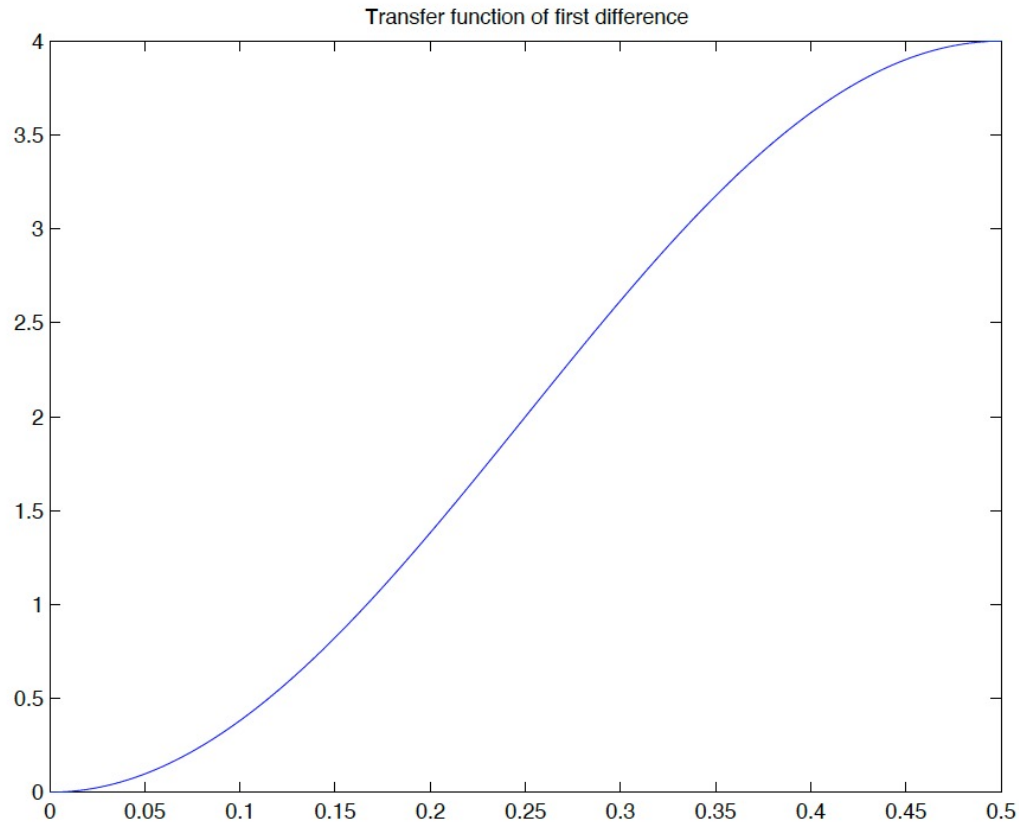
$$Y_t = (1 - B)X_t$$

This is a time invariant, causal, linear filter. Its transfer function is

$$\psi(e^{-2\pi i\omega}) = 1 - e^{-2\pi i\omega}$$

So

$$|\psi(e^{-2\pi i\omega})|^2 = 2(1 - \cos(2\pi\omega))$$



This is a high-pass filter: It preserves high frequencies and diminishes low frequencies. It is often used to eliminate a trend component of a series.

- "Time Series Analysis and Its Applications", 4th ed. 2017, by Shumway and Stoffer.

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