

# Lecture 14

## ARIMA – Identification, Estimation & Seasonalities

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### ARMA Process

- We defined the ARMA( $p, q$ ) model:

$$\phi(L)(y_t - \mu) = \theta(L)\varepsilon_t$$

Let  $(y_t - \mu) = x_t$

Then,  $\phi(L)x_t = \theta(L)\varepsilon_t$

$\Rightarrow x_t$  is a *demeaned* ARMA process.

- In this lecture, we will study:
  - Identification of  $p, q$ .
  - Estimation of ARMA( $p, q$ )
  - Non-stationarity of  $x_t$ .
  - Differentiation issues – ARIMA( $p, d, q$ )
  - Seasonal behavior – SARIMA( $p, d, q$ )<sub>s</sub>

### Autocovariance Function

- We define the autocovariance function,  $\gamma(t - j)$  as:

$$\gamma(t - j = k) = E[y_t, y_{t-j}]$$

- For an AR( $p$ ) process, WLOG with  $\mu = 0$  (or demeaned  $y_t$ ), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(k) &= E[(\phi_1 y_{t-1} y_{t-k} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} y_{t-k} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} y_{t-k} + \varepsilon_t y_{t-k})] \\ &= \phi_1 \gamma(k - 1) + \phi_2 \gamma(k - 2) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(k - p) \end{aligned}$$

Notation:  $\gamma(k)$  is commonly used. Sometimes,  $\gamma(k)$  is referred as "covariance at lag  $k$ ".

- The  $\gamma(k)$  determine a system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(0) &= E[y_t, y_t] = \phi_1 \gamma(1) + \phi_2 \gamma(2) + \phi_3 \gamma(3) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p) + \sigma^2 \\ \gamma(1) &= E[y_t, y_{t-1}] = \phi_1 \gamma(0) + \phi_2 \gamma(1) + \phi_3 \gamma(2) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p - 1) \\ \gamma(2) &= E[y_t, y_{t-2}] = \phi_1 \gamma(1) + \phi_2 \gamma(0) + \phi_3 \gamma(1) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p - 2) \\ \vdots & \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$

### ACF: Estimation (System of Equations)

- The  $p \times p$  system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(1) &= E[y_t, y_{t-1}] = \phi_1 \gamma(0) + \phi_2 \gamma(1) + \phi_3 \gamma(2) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p - 1) \\ \gamma(2) &= E[y_t, y_{t-2}] = \phi_1 \gamma(1) + \phi_2 \gamma(0) + \phi_3 \gamma(1) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p - 2) \\ \gamma(3) &= E[y_t, y_{t-3}] = \phi_1 \gamma(2) + \phi_2 \gamma(1) + \phi_3 \gamma(0) + \dots + \phi_p \gamma(p - 3) \\ \vdots & \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \qquad \qquad \quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$

Using linear algebra, we write the system as:  $\boldsymbol{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \boldsymbol{\phi}$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \dots & \gamma(p - 1) \\ \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \dots & \gamma(p - 2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \gamma(p - 1) & \gamma(p - 2) & \dots & \gamma(0) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{a } p \times p \text{ matrix}$$

$\boldsymbol{\phi}$  is the  $p \times 1$  vector of AR( $p$ ) coefficients

$\boldsymbol{\gamma}$  is the  $p \times 1$  vector of  $\gamma(k)$  autocovariances.

### ACF: Estimation – Yule-Walker

- Now, we define the autocorrelation function (**ACF**):

$$\rho(k) = \frac{\gamma(k)}{\gamma(0)} = \frac{\text{covariance at lag } k}{\text{variance}}$$

The ACF lies between -1 and +1, with  $\rho(0) = 1$ .

- Dividing the autocovariance system by  $\gamma(0)$ , we get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \rho(0) & \rho(1) & \cdots & \rho(p-1) \\ \rho(1) & \rho(0) & \cdots & \rho(p-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \rho(p-1) & \rho(p-2) & \cdots & \rho(0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \phi_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho(1) \\ \rho(2) \\ \vdots \\ \rho(p) \end{bmatrix}$$

Or using linear algebra:  $\mathbf{P} \boldsymbol{\phi} = \boldsymbol{\rho}$

- These are **Yule-Walker** equations, which can be solved numerically.

### ACF: Estimation – Yule-Walker

- The Yule-Walker equations can be solved numerically. MM can be used (replace population moments with sample moments).

- Properties for a stationary time series

- $\gamma(0) \geq 0$  (from definition of variance)
- $\gamma(k) \leq \gamma(0)$  (from Cauchy-Schwarz)
- $\gamma(k) = \gamma(-k)$  (from stationarity)
- $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}$ , the auto-correlation matrix, is psd ( $\mathbf{a}' \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \mathbf{a} \geq 0$ )

Moreover, any function  $\gamma : Z \rightarrow R$  that satisfies (3) and (4) is the autocovariance of some stationary time series.

### ACF: ARMA(1, 1) – Recursive Formula

- For an ARMA(1, 1) we have:.

$$y_t = \mu + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim WN.$$

- **Moments:** ( $\mu = 0$ )

$$E[y_t] = \mu / (1 - \phi_1) = 0 \quad (\text{assuming } \phi_1 \neq 1)$$

$$\text{Var}[y_t] = \sigma^2 (1 + \theta_1^2) / (1 - \phi_1^2) \quad (\text{assuming } |\phi_1| < 1)$$

- **Autocovariance function** ( $\mu = 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(k) &= \text{Cov}[y_t, y_{t-k}] \\ &= E[\{\phi_1 y_{t-1} + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t\} y_{t-k}] \\ &= \phi_1 E[y_{t-1} y_{t-k}] + \theta_1 E[\varepsilon_{t-1} y_{t-k}] + E[\varepsilon_t y_{t-k}] \\ &= \phi_1 \gamma(k-1) + \theta_1 E[\varepsilon_{t-1} y_{t-k}] + E[\varepsilon_t y_{t-k}] \end{aligned}$$

- Again, we have a **recursive formula**.

$$\gamma(k) = \phi_1 \gamma(k-1) + \theta_1 E[\varepsilon_{t-1} y_{t-k}] + E[\varepsilon_t y_{t-k}]$$

### ACF: ARMA(1, 1) – Recursive Formula

- We have a recursive formula:

$$\gamma(k) = \phi_1 \gamma(k-1) + E[\varepsilon_t y_{t-k}] + \theta_1 E[\varepsilon_{t-1} y_{t-k}]$$

It can be shown, after a lot of algebra:

For  $k = 0$ ,

$$\gamma(0) = \phi_1 \gamma(1) + \sigma^2 + \theta_1 (\phi_1 \sigma^2 + \theta_1 \sigma^2)$$

For  $k = 1$ ,

$$\gamma(1) = \phi_1 \gamma(0) + \theta_1 \gamma(1)$$

For  $k = 2$ ,

$$\gamma(2) = \phi_1 \gamma(1)$$

For  $k$ ,

$$\gamma(k) = \phi_1^{k-1} \gamma(1), \quad k > 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $|\phi_1| < 1$ , exponential decay.

### ACF: ARMA(1, 1) – Stationarity

- Two equations for  $\gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(1)$ :

$$\gamma(0) = \phi_1 \gamma(1) + \sigma^2 + \theta_1 (\phi_1 \sigma^2 + \theta_1 \sigma^2)$$

$$\gamma(1) = \phi_1 \gamma(0) + \theta_1 \gamma(1)$$

Solving for  $\gamma(0)$  &  $\gamma(1)$ :

$$\gamma(0) = \sigma^2 \frac{1 + \theta_1^2 + 2\phi_1\theta_1}{1 - \phi_1^2}$$

$$\gamma(1) = \sigma^2 \frac{(1 + \phi_1\theta_1) * (\phi_1 + \theta_1)}{1 - \phi_1^2}$$

⋮

$$\gamma(k) = \phi_1^{k-1} \gamma(1), \quad k > 1 \quad \Rightarrow \text{If } |\phi_1| < 1, \text{ exponential decay.}$$

Note: If stationary, ARMA(1,1) & AR(1) show exponential decay.  
Difficult to distinguish one from the other through autocovariances.

### ACF: Estimation & Correlogram

- **Estimation:**

Easy: Use sample moments to estimate  $\gamma(k)$  and plug in formula:

$$r_k = \hat{\rho}_k = \frac{\sum(Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t+k} - \bar{Y})}{\sum(Y_t - \bar{Y})^2}$$

We plug  $\hat{\rho}_k = r_k$  in the Yule-Walker equations and solve for  $\phi$ :

$$\mathbf{R} \phi = \mathbf{r} \quad \Rightarrow \hat{\phi} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{r}$$

where  $\mathbf{R}$  is the estimated correlation matrix  $\mathbf{P}$ .

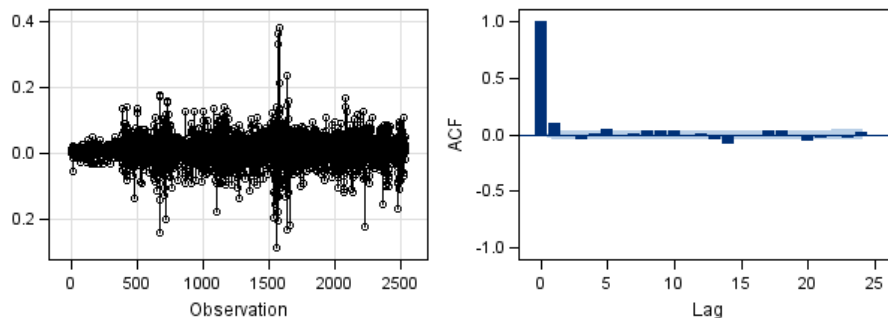
- The sample **correlogram** is the plot of the ACF against  $k$ . As the ACF lies between -1 and +1, the correlogram also lies between these values.

## ACF: Estimation & Correlogram

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As the ACF lies between -1 and +1, the correlogram also lies between these values.

**Example:** Correlogram for US Monthly Returns (1800 – 2013)



## ACF: Distribution

- **Distribution:**

For a linear, stationary process,  $y_t = \mu + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j \varepsilon_{t-j}$ , with  $E[\varepsilon_t^4] < \infty$ , the distribution of the sample ACF,  $r_k = \hat{\rho}_k$  is approximately normal with:

$$\mathbf{r} \xrightarrow{d} N(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{V}/T), \quad \mathbf{V} \text{ is the covariance matrix.}$$

Under  $H_0$  (no autocorrelations)  $\rho_k = 0$  for all  $k > 1$ .

$$\mathbf{r} \xrightarrow{d} N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}/T) \Rightarrow \text{Var}[r_k] = 1/T.$$

- Under  $H_0$ , the  $\text{SE} = 1/\sqrt{T} \Rightarrow 95\% \text{ C.I.: } 0 \pm 1.96 * 1/\sqrt{T}$

Then, for an uncorrelated, WN sequence, approximately 95% of the sample ACFs should be within the above C.I. limits.

Note: The  $\text{SE} = 1/\sqrt{T}$  are sometimes referred as *Bartlett's SE*.

## ACF – Identification

- The ACF can be used as a tool to select an ARMA( $p, q$ ) model. In general, it is used to select the lag  $q$  in an MA model.

	AR( $p$ )	MA( $q$ )	ARMA( $p, q$ )
ACF	Tails off	0 after lag $q$	Tails off

Note: Ideally, “Tails off” is exponential decay. In practice, we may see decay with a lot of “noise” and a lot of non-zero values.

- In the next slides, we simulate ARMA models. This is an “ideal” situation, we know the model that generated the data. Then, we look at the ACF to see if it is easy to guess the model and order of the model.

## ACF: MA( $q$ )

**Example:** Sample ACF for an MA( $q$ ) process:

$$y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \theta_2 \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}$$

$$\rho(k) = \frac{\sum_{j=k}^q \theta_j \theta_{j-k}}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \dots + \theta_q^2)} \quad k \leq q$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

For different  $k$ 's:

$$\rho(0) = 1$$

$$\rho(1) = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2 \theta_1 + \theta_3 \theta_2}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)}$$

$$\rho(2) = \frac{\theta_2 + \theta_3 \theta_1}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)}$$

$$\rho(3) = \frac{\theta_3}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)}$$

$$\rho(k) = 0 \quad \text{for } |k| > 3.$$

**ACF: MA( $q = 3$ )****Example (continuation):**

$$y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \theta_2 \varepsilon_{t-2} + \theta_3 \varepsilon_{t-3}$$

Suppose  $\theta_1 = 0.5$ ;  $\theta_2 = 0.4$ ;  $\theta_3 = 0.2$ . Then,

$$\rho(0) = 1$$

$$\rho(1) = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2\theta_1 + \theta_3\theta_2}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)} = \frac{0.5 + 0.4 \cdot 0.5 + 0.1 \cdot 0.4}{1 + 0.5^2 + 0.4^2 + 0.1^2} = \mathbf{0.5211}$$

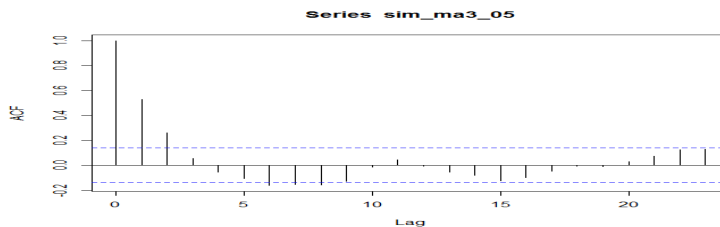
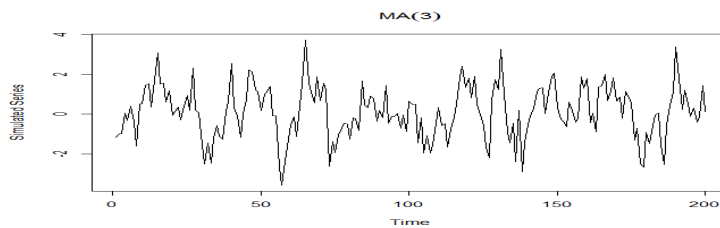
$$\rho(2) = \frac{\theta_2 + \theta_3\theta_1}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)} = \frac{0.4 + 0.1 \cdot 0.5}{1 + 0.5^2 + 0.4^2 + 0.1^2} = \mathbf{0.3169}$$

$$\rho(3) = \frac{\theta_3}{(1 + \theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2)} = \frac{0.1}{1 + 0.5^2 + 0.4^2 + 0.1^2} = \mathbf{0.0704}$$

$$\rho(k) = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{for } |k| > 3.$$

**ACF: MA( $q = 3$ )****Example (continuation):** Plot of simulated series and ACF with 95% CI: = **[-0.1386, 0.1386]**

```
> sim_ma3_05 <- arima.sim(list(order=c(0,0,3), ma=c(0.5, 0.4, 0.2)), n=200) # sim MA(3)
```





**ACF: ARMA(1, 1)**

**Example:** Sample ACF for an ARMA(1,1) process:

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}$$

- From the autocovariances, we get

$$\gamma(0) = \sigma^2 \frac{1 + \theta_1^2 + 2\phi_1 \theta_1}{1 - \phi_1^2}$$

$$\gamma(1) = \sigma^2 \frac{(1 + \phi_1 \theta_1) * (\phi_1 + \theta_1)}{1 - \phi_1^2}$$

$$\gamma(k) = \phi_1 \gamma(k-1) = \phi_1^{k-1} \sigma^2 \frac{(1 + \phi_1 \theta_1) * (\phi_1 + \theta_1)}{1 - \phi_1^2}$$

- Then,

$$\rho(k) = \phi_1^{k-1} \frac{(1 + \phi_1 \theta_1) * (\phi_1 + \theta_1)}{1 + \theta_1^2 + 2\phi_1 \theta_1}$$

⇒ If  $|\phi_1| < 1$ , exponential decay. Similar pattern to AR(1).

**ACF: ARMA(1, 1)**

**Example (continuation):** Sample ACF for an ARMA(1,1) process:

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}$$

The ACF for an ARMA(1,1):

$$\rho(k) = \phi_1^{k-1} \frac{(1 + \phi_1 \theta_1) * (\phi_1 + \theta_1)}{1 + \theta_1^2 + 2\phi_1 \theta_1}$$

- Suppose  $\phi_1 = 0.4$ ,  $\theta_1 = 0.5$ . Then,

$$\rho(0) = 1$$

$$\rho(1) = \frac{(1 + 0.4 * 0.5) * (0.4 + 0.5)}{1 + 0.5^2 + 2 * 0.4 * 0.5} = 0.6545$$

$$\rho(2) = 0.4 * \frac{(1 + 0.4 * 0.5) * (0.4 + 0.5)}{1 + 0.5^2 + 2 * 0.4 * 0.5} = 0.2618$$

$$\rho(3) = 0.4^2 * \frac{(1 + 0.4 * 0.5) * (0.4 + 0.5)}{1 + 0.5^2 + 2 * 0.4 * 0.5} = 0.0233$$

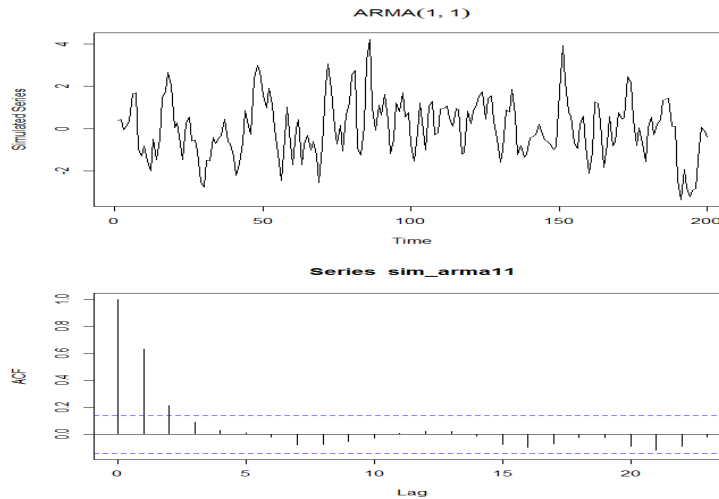
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$$\rho(k) = 0.4^{k-1} * \frac{(1 + 0.4 * 0.5) * (0.4 + 0.5)}{1 + 0.5^2 + 2 * 0.4 * 0.5}$$

## ACF: ARMA(1, 1)

**Example (continuation):** Plot of simulated series and ACF

```
> sim_arma11 <- arima.sim(list(order=c(1,0,1), ar=0.4, ma=0.5), n=200) #sim ARMA(1,1)
```



## ACF: Example – U.S. Stock Returns

**Example: US Monthly Returns** (1871 – 2020,  $T=1,795$ )

```
Sh_da <- read.csv("C://Financial Econometrics/Shiller_2020data.csv", head=TRUE,
sep=",")
x_P <- Sh_da$P
x_D <- Sh_da$D
T <- length(x_P)
lr_p <- log(x_P[-1]/x_P[-T])
lr_d <- log(x_D[-1]/x_D[-T])
acf_p <- acf(lr_p) # acf: R function that estimates the ACF
> acf_p
```

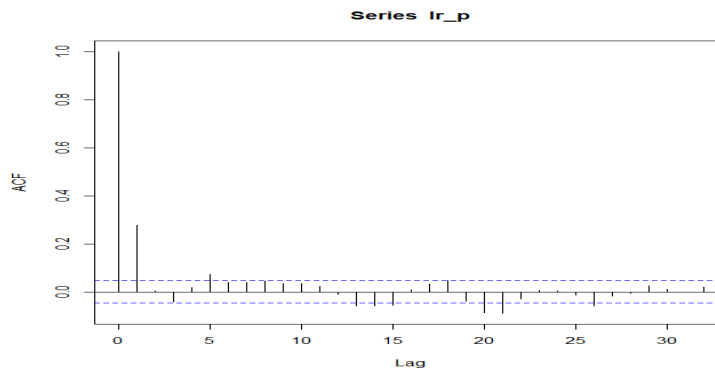
Autocorrelations of series 'lr\_p', by lag

Lag	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	1.000	0.279	0.004	-0.043	0.017	0.074	0.039	0.039	0.044	0.035	0.034	0.022
12												
12	-0.010	-0.059	-0.058	-0.056	0.009	0.033	0.047	-0.040	-0.087	-0.090	-0.029	0.005
24												
24	0.003	-0.013	-0.058	-0.018	-0.005	0.026	0.011	0.000	0.020			

$SE(r_k) = 1/\sqrt{T} = 1/\sqrt{1,795} = .0236 \Rightarrow 95\% \text{ CI: } \pm 2 * 0.0236$

## ACF: Example – U.S. Stock Returns

**Example (continuation):** Correlogram for US Monthly Returns (1871 – 2020)



Note: With the exception of first correlation, correlations are small. However, many are significant, not strange result when  $T$  is large.

## ACF: Example – U.S. Stock Returns

**Example:** US Monthly Changes in Dividends (1871 – 2020,  $T = 1,795$ )

```
acf_d <- acf(lr_d)
> acf_d
```

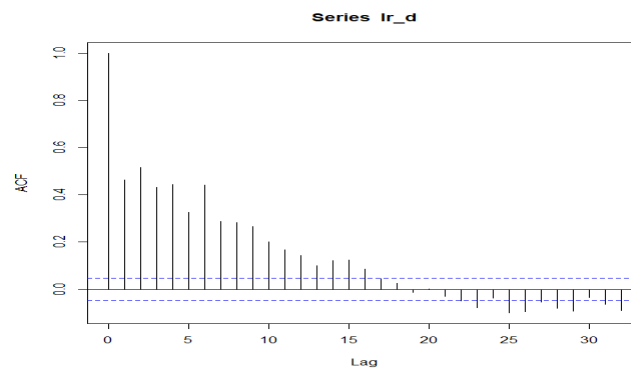
Autocorrelations of series 'lr\_d', by lag

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
1.000	0.462	0.516	0.432	0.444	0.326	0.442	0.288	0.283	0.265	0.202	0.168	
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	0.142	0.100	0.122	0.123	0.085	0.045	0.026	-0.013	0.001	-0.029	-0.049	-0.077
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32			
	-0.038	-0.100	-0.095	-0.055	-0.081	-0.092	-0.034	-0.063	-0.089			

High correlations and significant even after 32 months!

## ACF: Example – U.S. Dividends

**Example (continuation):** Correlogram for US Monthly Changes in Dividends (1871 – 2020)



Note: Correlations are positive for almost 1.5 years, then become negative.

## ACF: Joint Significance Tests

- Recall the Q statistic as:

$$Q = T \sum_{k=1}^m \hat{\rho}_k^2$$

Under  $H_0$ :  $\rho_1 = \rho_2 = \dots = \rho_m = 0$ ,  $Q$  follows  $\chi_m^2$

$$Q = T \sum_{k=1}^m \hat{\rho}_k^2 \xrightarrow{d} \chi_m^2$$

- The Ljung-Box (LB) statistic has better finite sample properties than the  $Q$  statistic. Under  $H_0$ , LB follows a  $\chi_m^2$ :

$$LB = T(T+2) \sum_{k=1}^m \left( \frac{\hat{\rho}_k^2}{(T-k)} \right) \xrightarrow{d} \chi_m^2$$

## ACF – Joint Significance Tests

**Example:** LB test with **20 lags** for **US Monthly Returns** and **Changes in Dividends** (1871 – 2020)

```
> Box.test(lr_p, lag=20, type= "Ljung-Box")
```

```
data: lr_p
```

```
X-squared = 208.02, df = 20, p-value < 2.2e-16 ⇒ Reject H0 at 5% level.
```

```
> Box.test(lr_d, lag=20, type= "Ljung-Box")
```

```
data: lr_d
```

```
X-squared = 2762.7, df = 20, p-value < 2.2e-16 ⇒ Reject H0 at 5% level.
```

Conclusion: We found joint significance of first 20 autocorrelations.

## Partial ACF (PACF)

- The ACF gives us a lot of information about the order of the dependence when the series we analyze follows a MA process: The ACF is zero after  $q$  lags for an MA( $q$ ) process.
- If the series we analyze, however, follows an ARMA or AR, the ACF alone tells us little about the orders of dependence: We only observe an exponential decay.
- We introduce a new function that behaves like the ACF of MA models, but for AR models, namely, the partial autocorrelation function (PACF).
- The PACF is similar to the ACF. It measures correlation between observations that are  $k$  time periods apart, after controlling for correlations at intermediate lags.

## Partial ACF

Intuition: Suppose we have an AR(1):

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t.$$

Then,

$$\rho(2) = \phi_1^2$$

The correlation between  $y_t$  and  $y_{t-2}$  is not zero, as it would be for an MA(1), because  $y_t$  is dependent on  $y_{t-2}$  through  $y_{t-1}$ .

Suppose we break this chain of dependence by removing (“partialing out”) the effect  $y_{t-1}$ . Then, we consider the correlation between  $[y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1}]$  &  $[y_{t-2} - \phi_1 y_{t-1}]$  –i.e., the correlation between  $y_t$  &  $y_{t-2}$  with the linear dependence of each on  $y_{t-1}$  removed:

$$\gamma(2) = \text{Cov}(y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1}, y_{t-2} - \phi_1 y_{t-1}) = \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_t, y_{t-2} - \phi_1 y_{t-1}) = 0$$

Similarly,

$$\gamma(k) = \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_t, y_{t-k} - \phi_1 y_{t-1}) = 0 \text{ for all } k > 1.$$

## Partial ACF

Definition: The **PACF** of a stationary time series  $\{y_t\}$  is  $\phi_{hh}$ :

$$\phi_{11} = \text{Corr}(y_t, y_{t-1}) = \rho(1)$$

$$\phi_{hh} = \text{Corr}(y_t - E[y_t | I_{t-1}], y_{t-h} - E[y_{t-h} | I_{t-1}]) \quad \text{for } h = 2, 3, \dots$$

This removes the linear effects of  $y_{t-2}, \dots, y_{t-h}$ .

**Example:** AR( $p$ ) process:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= \mu + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t \\ E[y_t | I_{t-1}] &= \mu + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_h y_{t-h-1} \\ E[y_{t-h} | I_{t-1}] &= \mu + \phi_1 y_{t-h-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-h-2} + \dots + \phi_h y_{t-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } \phi_{hh} &= \phi_h \quad \text{if } 1 \leq h \leq p \\ &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  After the  $p^{\text{th}}$  PACF, all remaining PACF are 0 for AR( $p$ ) processes.

## Partial ACF

- The PACF  $\phi_{hh}$  is also the last coefficient in the **best linear prediction** of  $y_t$  given  $y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}, \dots, y_{t-h}$ . ( $\Rightarrow$  OLS!)

OLS estimation steps:

Regress  $y_t$  against  $y_{t-1} \Rightarrow \phi_{11}$ : estimated coefficient of  $y_{t-1}$ .

Regress  $y_t$  against  $y_{t-1}$  &  $y_{t-2} \Rightarrow \phi_{22}$ : estimated coefficient of  $y_{t-2}$ .

⋮

Regress  $y_t$  against  $y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}, \dots, y_{t-h} \Rightarrow \phi_{hh}$ : estimated coefficient of  $y_{t-h}$ .

- OLS estimation is simple, easy to use. Estimation by Yule-Walker equation is possible. There is also a recursive algorithm by Durbin-Levinson.
- The plot of the PACF is called the **partial correlogram**.

## Inverse ACF (IACF)

- The IACF of the ARMA( $p, q$ ) model

$$\phi(L) y_t = \theta(L) \varepsilon_t$$

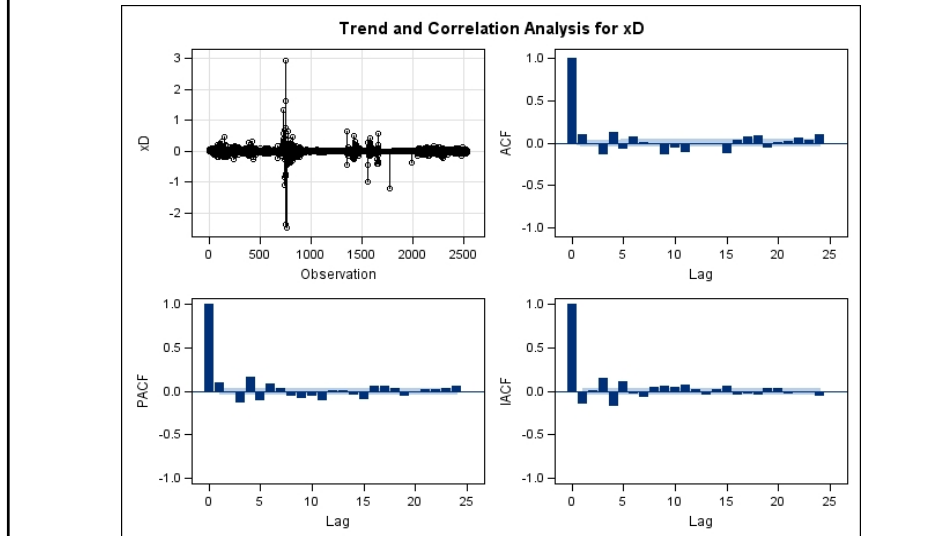
is defined to be (assuming invertibility) the ACF of the *inverse* (or *dual*) process

$$\theta(L) y_t^{-1} = \phi(L) \varepsilon_t$$

- The IACF has the same property as the PACF: AR( $p$ ) is characterized by an IACF that is nonzero at lag  $p$  but zero for larger lags.
- The IACF can also be used to detect over-differencing. If the data come from a nonstationary or nearly nonstationary model, the IACF has the characteristics of a noninvertible moving-average.

## ACF, Partial ACF & IACF: Example

**Example:** Monthly USD/GBP 1<sup>st</sup> differences (1800-2013)



## Non-Stationary Time Series Models

- A trend is usually easy to spot. A more sophisticated visual tool is the ACF: a slow decay in ACF is indicative of highly correlated data, which suggests a trend.

- A series with a trend is not stationary. To build a forecasting model, we need to remove the trend from the series. The models we consider:

**(1) Deterministic trend:**  $y_t$  is a function of  $t$ . For example,

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$$

**(2) Stochastic trend:**  $y_t$  is a function of aggregated errors,  $\varepsilon_t$ , over time. For example,

$$y_t = \mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = y_0 + t\mu + \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-j}$$

- The process to remove the trend depends on the structure of the DGP of  $y_t$ .



## Non-Stationary Time Series Models

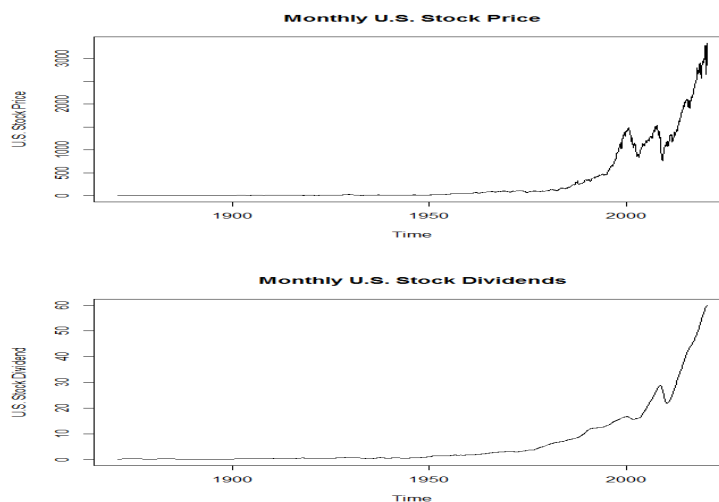
- The process to remove the trend depends on the nature of the DGP of the trending  $y_t$ :

(1) **Deterministic trend** – Simple model:  $y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$   
 – **Solution: Detrending** –i.e., regress  $y_t$  on a constant and a time trend,  $t$ . Then, keep residuals for further modeling.

(2) **Stochastic trend** – Simple model:  $y_t = \mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ .  
 – **Solution: Differencing** –i.e., apply  $\Delta = (1 - L)$  operator to  $y_t$ . Then, use  $\Delta y_t$  for further modeling.

## Non-Stationary Time Series Models

**Example:** Plot of US Monthly Prices and Dividends (1871 – 2020)



## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

- Suppose we have the following model, with a deterministic trend:

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t.$$

- $\{y_t\}$  will show only temporary departures from trend line  $\alpha + \beta t$ . It is a model with short memory. A shock (big  $\varepsilon_t$ ) hits  $y_t$ ,  $y_t$  goes back to trend level in short time. Forecasts are not affected.

- This type of model is called a **trend stationary** (TS) model.

- Note that trivially, by definition,  $\varepsilon_t$  is WN. Then, removing  $\alpha + \beta t$  from  $y_t$  creates a WN series –i.e., the influence of  $t$  from  $y_t$  is gone:

$$\varepsilon_t = y_t - \alpha - \beta t$$

- When we replace  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  by their OLS estimates, we **detrend**  $y_t$ . The residual from the OLS is called **detrended**  $y_t$ .

$$e_t = y_t - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} t \quad (\text{the residuals are the } \textit{detrended } y_t \text{ series})$$

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

- We can detrend in more complicated models. For example, suppose we have a stationary AR( $p$ ) model with linear and quadratic trends:

$$y_t = \alpha + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 t^2 + \varepsilon_t.$$

- Note that removing from  $y_t$  a constant, a linear and a quadratic trend creates a series,  $w_t$ , which is composed of a WN error,  $\varepsilon_t$ , and the AR( $p$ ) part:

$$w_t = \varepsilon_t + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} = y_t - \alpha - \beta_1 t - \beta_2 t^2$$

- This is a stationary series: the dependence on  $t$  is gone. We will work with the residual from a regression of  $y_t$  against a constant,  $t$  and  $t^2$ :

$$\hat{w}_t = y_t - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta}_1 t - \hat{\beta}_2 t^2 \quad (\hat{w}_t = \textit{detrended } y_t).$$

Remark: We do not necessarily get stationary series by detrending.

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

- Many economic series exhibit “exponential trend/growth”. They grow over time like an exponential function over time instead of a linear function. In this cases, it is common to work with logs

$$\ln(y_t) = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t. \quad (\Rightarrow y_t = e^{\alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t})$$

$\Rightarrow$  The average growth rate is:  $E[\Delta \ln(y_t)] = \beta$

- We can have a more general model:

$$y_t = \alpha + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 t^2 + \dots + \beta_k t^k + \varepsilon_t.$$

- Estimation of  $AR(p)$  with a trend component:

- **OLS**.

- **Frisch-Waugh method** (a 2-step method):

(1) Detrend  $y_t$ : regress  $y_t$  against a constant & a time trend,  $t$ .

Then, get the residuals ( $=y_t$  without the influence of  $t$ ).

(2) Use residuals to estimate the  $AR(p)$  model.

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Simulated Example:** We simulate an  $AR(1)$  series with a trend:

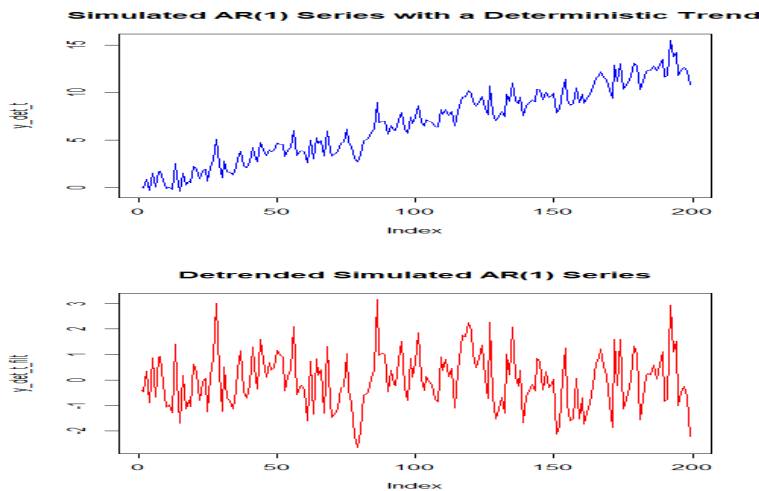
$$y_t = 0.3 + 0.2 y_{t-1} + 0.05 t + \varepsilon_t.$$

```
T_sim <- 200 # Length of simulation
y_sim <- matrix(0,T_sim,1) # Vector to accumulate simulated data
u <- rnorm(T_sim, sd = 1) # Draw T_sim normally distributed errors
mu <- 0.3 # Constant
phi1 <- 0.2 # Change to create different AR(1) patterns
mu_t <- .05 # Trend coefficient
t <- 2 # Time index for observations
while (t <= T_sim) {
  y_sim[t] = mu + phi1 * y_sim[t-1] + mu_t * t + u[t] # y_sim simulated values
  t <- t + 1
}
y_det_t <- y_sim[2:T_sim]
plot(y_det_t, type="l", col = "blue", main = "Simulated Series with a Deterministic Trend")

# Detrend series
trend <- c(1:(T_sim-1))
fit_det_t <- lm(y_det_t ~ trend)
y_det_t_filt <- fit_det_t$residuals # Filtered series
plot(y_det_t_filt, type="l", main = "Detrended Simulated Series")
```

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Simulated Example (continuation):** We plot the simulated AR(1) series (blue) and the detrended simulated series (red).



## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Simulated Example (continuation):** Now, we add a quadratic trend:

$$y_t = 0.3 + 0.2 y_{t-1} + 0.05 t + 0.003 t^2 + \varepsilon_t.$$

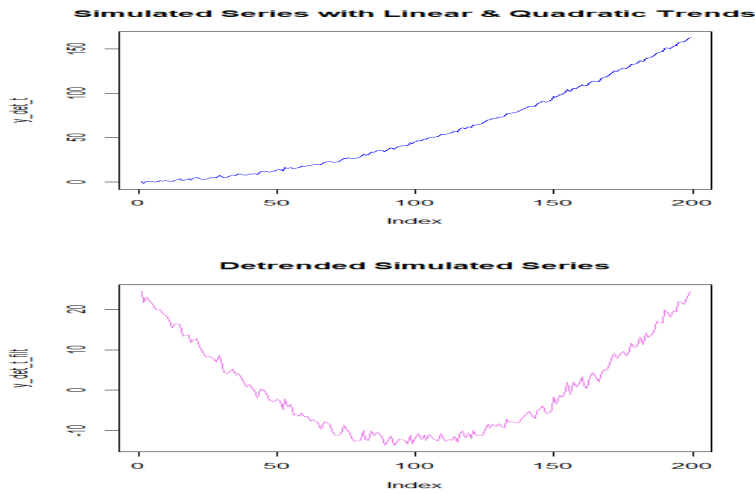
```
mu_t2 <- .003 # Trend square coefficient
t <- 2 # Time index for observations
while (t <= T_sim) {
  y_sim[t] = mu + phi1 * y_sim[t-1] + mu_t * t + u[t] # y_sim simulated autocorrelated values
  t <- t + 1
}
y_det_t <- y_sim[2:T_sim]
plot(y_det_t, type="l", col = "blue", main = "Simulated Series with a Deterministic Trend")

# Detrend series with only a linear trend
trend <- c(1:(T_sim-1))
fit_det_t <- lm(y_det_t ~ trend)
y_det_t_filt <- fit_det_t$residuals # Filtered series
plot(y_det_t_filt, type="l", main = "Detrended Simulated Series")

## Detrend series with a linear & Quadratic trends
trend2 <- trend^2
fit_det_t <- lm(y_det_t ~ trend + trend2)
y_det_t_filt <- fit_det_t$residuals # Filtered series
plot(y_det_t_filt, type="l", col = "violet", main="Detrended Simulated Series")
```

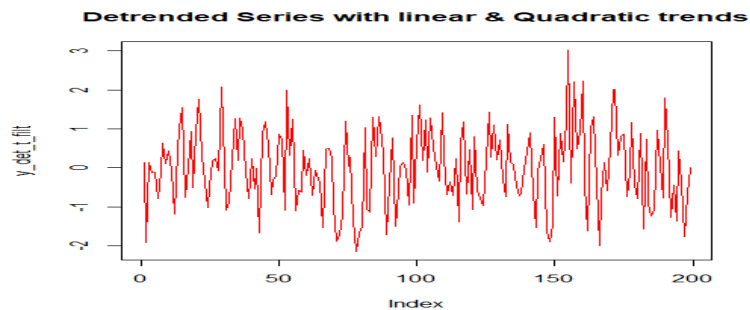
## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Simulated Example (continuation):** We plot the simulated AR(1) series (blue) and the detrended series with a linear trend (violet).



## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Simulated Example (continuation):** We plot the detrended simulated series with a linear and quadratic trends (red).

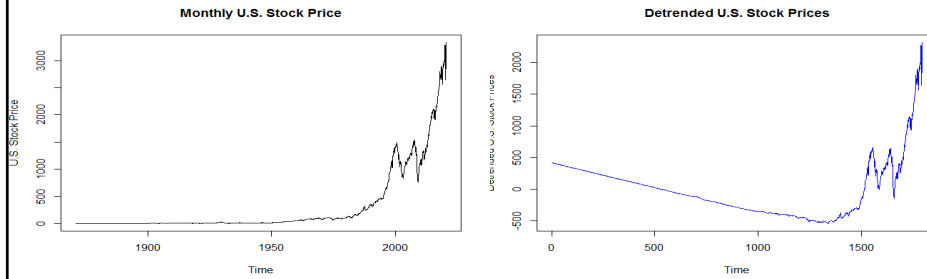


**Remark:** A series with a quadratic trend, needs to be detrended with a quadratic trend, otherwise extra patterns (U-shape, in this case) appear. Once we use an appropriate detrending model, we use the detrended series –i.e., the residuals– for furthering (ARMA) modeling.

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Example:** We detrend U.S. Stock Prices

```
T <- length(x_P) # length of series
trend <- c(1:T) # create trend
det_P <- lm(x_P ~ trend) # regression to get detrended e
detrend_P <- det_P$residuals
plot(detrend_P, type="l", col="blue", ylab = "Detrended U.S. Prices", xlab = "Time")
title("Detrended U.S. Stock Prices")
```

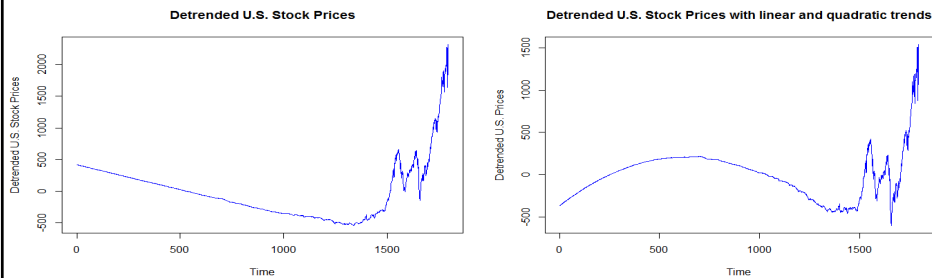


Note: Extra pattern in detrended series  $\Rightarrow$  Using the wrong model.

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Example:** We detrend U.S. Stock Prices adding a square trend

```
trend2 <- trend^2
det_P <- lm(x_P ~ trend + trend2) # regression to get detrended e
detrend_P <- det_P$residuals
plot(detrend_P, type="l", col="blue", ylab = "Detrended U.S. Prices", xlab = "Time")
title("Detrended U.S. Stock Prices with linear and quadratic trends")
```



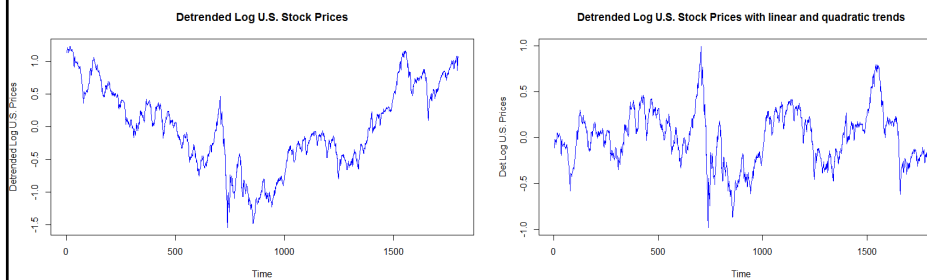
$\Rightarrow$  Still using the wrong model to detrend: Try exponential trend.

## Non-Stationary Models: Deterministic Trend

**Example:** We detrend Log U.S. Stock Prices adding a squared trend

```
l_P <- log(x_P)
det_IP <- lm(l_P ~ trend) # regression to get detrended e
detrend_IP <- det_IP$residuals
plot(detrend_IP, type="l", col="blue", ylab="Detrended Log U.S. Prices", xlab="Time")
title("Detrended Log U.S. Stock Prices")

det_IP2 <- lm(l_P ~ trend + trend2) # regression to get detrended e
det_IP2 <- det_IP2$residuals
plot(det_IP2, type="l", col="blue", ylab="Det Log U.S. Prices", xlab="Time")
title("Detrended Log U.S. Stock Prices with linear and quadratic trends")
```



## Non-Stationary Models: Stochastic Trend

- The more modern approach is to consider trends in time series as a variable trend.
- A variable trend exists when a trend changes in an unpredictable way. Therefore, it is considered **stochastic**.

- Recall the AR(1) model:  $y_t = \mu + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

- As long as  $|\phi_1| < 1$ , everything is fine, we have a stationary AR(1) process: OLS is consistent, t-stats are asymptotically normal, etc.

- Now consider the special case where  $\phi_1 = 1$ :

$$y_t = \mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

Q: Where is the (stochastic) trend? No  $t$  term.

## Non-Stationary Models: Stochastic Trend

- Let us replace recursively the lag of  $y_t$  on the right-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= \mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \\ &= \mu + (\mu + y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t-1}) + \varepsilon_t \\ &\dots \\ &= y_0 + t\mu + \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-j} \end{aligned}$$

Deterministic trend

Accumulation of errors (shocks) – stochastic part

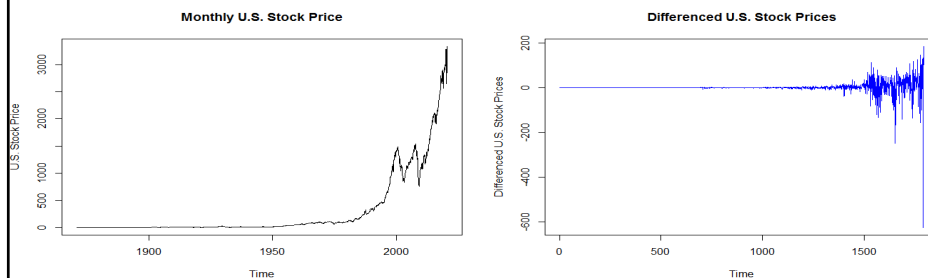
- This process is called a **Random walk with drift**:  $y_t$  grows with  $t$ .
- Each  $\varepsilon_t$  shock represents a shift in the intercept. All values of  $\{\varepsilon_t\}$  have a 1 as coefficient  $\Rightarrow$  each shock never vanishes (permanent).
- We remove the trend by **differencing**  $y_t$   
 $\Rightarrow \Delta y_t = (1 - L) y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t$

Note: Applying the  $(1 - L)$  operator to a time series is called *differencing*

## Non-Stationary Models: Stochastic Trend

**Example**: We difference U.S. Stock Prices, using the *diff* R function:

```
diff_P <- diff(x_P)
> plot(diff_P,type="l", col="blue", ylab="Differenced U.S. Stock Prices", xlab="Time")
> title("Differenced U.S. Stock Prices")
```



Remark: Trend is gone  $\Rightarrow$  Use first differences for AR modeling.



## Non-Stationary Models: Stochastic Trend

- $y_t$  is said to have a *stochastic trend* (ST), since each  $\varepsilon_t$  shock gives a permanent and random change in the conditional mean of the series.

- For these situations, we use **Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA)** models.

- Q: Deterministic or Stochastic Trend?

They appear similar: Both lead to growth over time. The difference is how we think of  $\varepsilon_t$ . Should a shock today affect  $y_{t+1}$ ?

– TS:  $y_{t+1} = \mu + \beta(t+1) + \varepsilon_{t+1} \Rightarrow \varepsilon_t$  does not affect  $y_{t+1}$ .

– ST:  $y_{t+1} = \mu + y_t + \varepsilon_{t+1} = \mu + [\mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t] + \varepsilon_{t+1}$   
 $= 2 * \mu + y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t + \varepsilon_{t+1} \Rightarrow \varepsilon_t$  affects  $y_{t+1}$ .  
 (In fact, the shock  $\varepsilon_t$  has a *permanent* impact.)

## ARIMA( $p, d, q$ ) Models

- For  $p, d, q \geq 0$ , we say that a time series  $\{y_t\}$  is an *ARIMA* ( $p, d, q$ ) process if  $w_t = \Delta^d y_t = (1-L)^d y_t$  is ARMA( $p, q$ ). That is,

$$\phi(L)(1-L)^d y_t = \theta(L) \varepsilon_t$$

- Applying the  $(1-L)$  operator to a time series is called *differencing*.

Notation: If  $y_t$  is non-stationary, but  $\Delta^d y_t$  is stationary, then  $y_t$  is *integrated* of order  $d$ , or  $I(d)$ . A time series with *unit root* is  $I(1)$ . A stationary time series is  $I(0)$ .

### Examples:

Example 1: RW:  $y_t = y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ .

$y_t$  is non-stationary, but

$$w_t = (1-L) y_t = \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow w_t \sim \text{WN!}$$

Now,  $y_t \sim \text{ARIMA}(0, 1, 0)$ .

## ARIMA( $p, d, q$ ) Models

Example 2: AR(1) with time trend:  $y_t = \mu + \delta t + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ .  
 $y_t$  is non-stationary, but

$$\begin{aligned} w_t &= (1 - L) y_t \\ &= \mu + \delta t + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t - [\mu + \delta(t-1) + \phi_1 y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t-1}] \\ &= \delta + \phi_1 w_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t - \varepsilon_{t-1} \quad \Rightarrow w_t \sim \text{ARMA}(1, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $y_t \sim \text{ARIMA}(1, 1, 1)$ .

- We call both process *first difference stationary*.

Note:

- Example 1: Differencing a series with a unit root in the AR part of the model reduces the AR order.
- Example 2: Differencing can introduce an extra MA structure. We introduced non-invertibility ( $\theta_1 = 1$ ). This happens when we difference a TS series. Detrending should be used in these cases.

## ARIMA( $p, d, q$ ) Models

- In practice:

A root near 1 of the AR polynomial  $\Rightarrow$  differencing

A root near 1 of the MA polynomial  $\Rightarrow$  over-differencing

- In general, we have the following results:

- Too little differencing: not stationary.
- Too much differencing: extra dependence introduced.

- Finding the right  $d$  is crucial. For identifying preliminary values of  $d$ :

- Use a time plot.
- Check for slowly decaying (persistent) ACF/PACF.

Note: There are many formal tests for unit roots. Most popular tests: ADF (Augmented Dickey-Fuller) and PP (Phillips-Perron).

## ARIMA Models: Unit Roots 1?

**Example 1:** Monthly Stock Price levels (1871-2020)

```
acf_P <- acf(x_P)
> acf_P
```

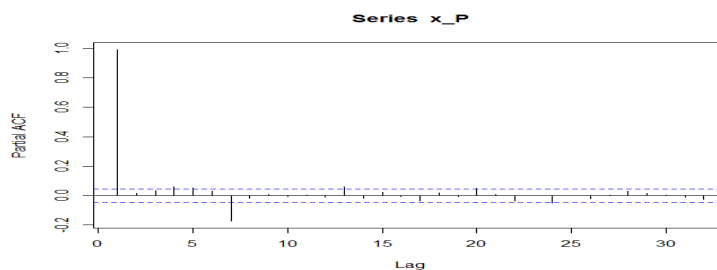
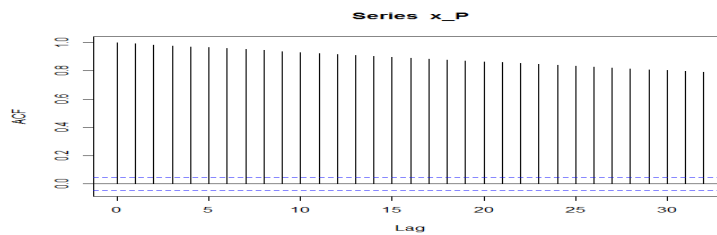
Autocorrelations of series 'x\_p', by lag

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.000	0.992	0.984	0.977	0.971	0.966	0.961	0.954	0.946	0.938	0.931	0.924
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
0.917	0.911	0.904	0.897	0.891	0.884	0.877	0.871	0.865	0.860	0.854	0.848
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32			
0.841	0.834	0.827	0.821	0.815	0.809	0.803	0.797	0.790			

Very high autocorrelations. Looks like  $\phi_1 \approx 1$ .

## ARIMA Models – Unit Roots 1: ACF & PACF

**Example 1:** Monthly Stock Price levels (1871-2020)



## ARIMA Models: Unit Roots 2?

**Example 2:** Monthly Interest Rates (1871-2020)

```
acf_i <- acf(x_i)
> acf_i
```

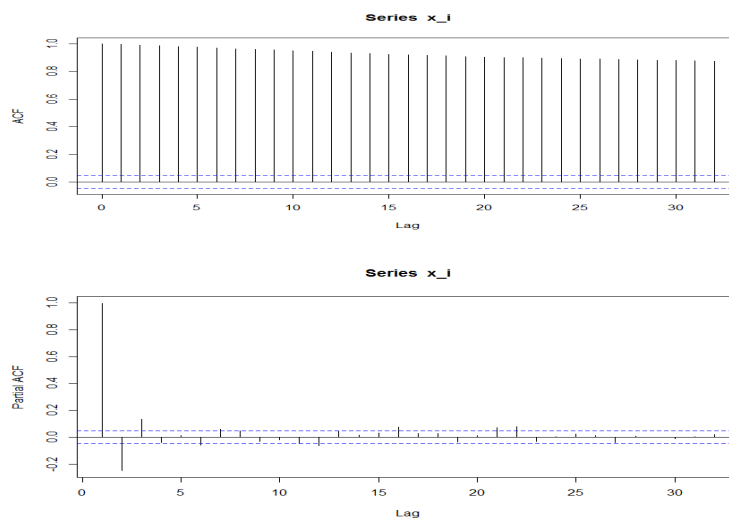
Autocorrelations of series 'x\_i', by lag

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.000	0.996	0.990	0.985	0.980	0.975	0.970	0.965	0.960	0.956	0.951	0.946
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
0.940	0.934	0.929	0.924	0.919	0.915	0.912	0.908	0.904	0.901	0.899	0.896
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32			
0.894	0.891	0.889	0.887	0.884	0.882	0.879	0.877	0.874			

Very high autocorrelations. Looks like  $\phi_1 \approx 1$ .

## ARIMA Models – Unit Roots 2: ACF & PACF

**Example 2:** Monthly Interest Rates (1871-2020)



## ARIMA Models – Random Walk

- A **random walk (RW)** is a process where the current value of a variable is composed of the past value plus an error term defined as a white noise (a normal variable with zero mean and variance one).
- RW is an ARIMA(0,1,0) process  

$$y_t = y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow \Delta y_t = (1 - L)y_t = \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2).$$
- Popular model. Used to explain the behavior of financial assets, unpredictable movements (Brownian motions, drunk persons).
- A special case (limiting) of an AR(1) process: a **unit-root** process.
- Implication:  $E[y_{t+1} | I_t] = y_t \Rightarrow \Delta y_t$  is absolutely random.
- Thus, a RW is nonstationary, and its variance increases with  $t$ .

## ARIMA Models – RW with Drift

- Change in  $y_t$  is partially deterministic ( $\mu$ ) and partially stochastic.  

$$y_t - y_{t-1} = \Delta y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t$$
- Recall that  $y_t$  can also be written as  

$$y_t = y_0 + t \mu + \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \varepsilon_{t-j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_t \text{ has a permanent effect on the mean of } y_t.$$
- Recall the difference between conditional and unconditional forecasts:  

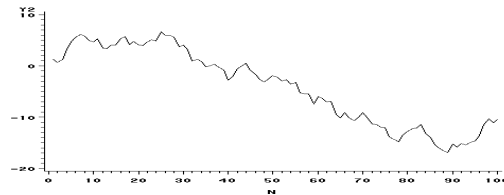
$$E[y_t] = y_0 + t \mu \quad (\text{Unconditional forecast})$$

$$E[y_{t+s} | y_t] = y_t + s \mu \quad (\text{Conditional forecast})$$

## ARIMA Models – Random Walk

**Examples:** A simulated RW in R

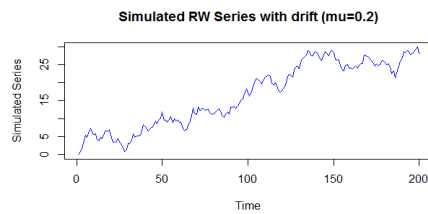
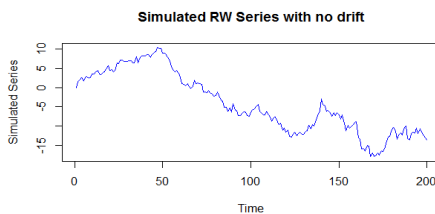
```
T_sim <- 200
u <- rnorm(200) # Draw T_sim normally distributed errors
y_sim <- matrix(0,T_sim,1)
rho <- 1 # Change to create different correlation patterns
a <- 2
mu <- 0 # Time index for observations
while (a <= T_sim) {
  y_sim[a] = mu + rho * y_sim[a-1] + u[a] # y_sim simulated autocorrelated values
  a <- a + 1
}
plot(y_sim, type="l", col="blue", ylab ="Simulated Series", xlab ="Time")
title("Simulated RW Series with no drift")
```



## ARIMA Models – Random Walk

**Examples:** Two simulated RW one with drift and one without drift

```
T_sim <- 200 # Sample size for simulation
u <- rnorm(200) # Draw T_sim normally distributed errors
y_sim <- matrix(0,T_sim,1) # Vector to collect simulated data
phi <- 1 # Set phi = 1 for RW
a <- 2 # Time index for observations
mu <- 0 # RW Drift
while (a <= T_sim) {
  y_sim[a] = mu + phi * y_sim[a-1] + u[a] # y_sim simulated RW values
  a <- a + 1
}
plot(y_sim, type="l", col="blue", ylab ="Simulated Series", xlab ="Time")
title("Simulated RW Series with no drift")
```



## ARIMA Models: Box-Jenkins

- We have a family of ARIMA models, indexed by  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $d$ .

Q: How do we select one?

An effective procedure for building empirical time series models is the Box-Jenkins approach, which consists of three stages:

- (1) **Identification** or Model specification (order of ARIMA)
- (2) **Estimation** of order  $p$ ,  $q$ .
- (3) **Diagnostics testing** on residuals:
  - ⇒ Are they white noise? If not, add lags ( $p$ ,  $q$ , or both).

If we are happy with model, then we proceed to **forecasting**.

## ARIMA Models: Identification

- Recall the two main approaches to (1) Identification.
  - **Correlation approach**: Based on ACF & PACF.
    - 1) Make sure data is stationary –check a time plot. If not, differentiate.
    - 2) Using ACF & PACF, guess small values for  $p$  &  $q$ .

- **Information criteria**: Very common situation: The order choice not clear from looking at ACF & PACF. Then, use  $AIC$  (or  $AICc$ ),  $BIC$ , or HQIC (Hannan and Quinn (1979)).

This is the usual (& easier) approach.

R Note: The R function `auto.arima` uses  $AICc$  to select  $p$ ,  $q$ ;  $d$  is selected using a formal unit root test (KPSS).

- Value parsimony. When in doubt, keep it simple (KISS).

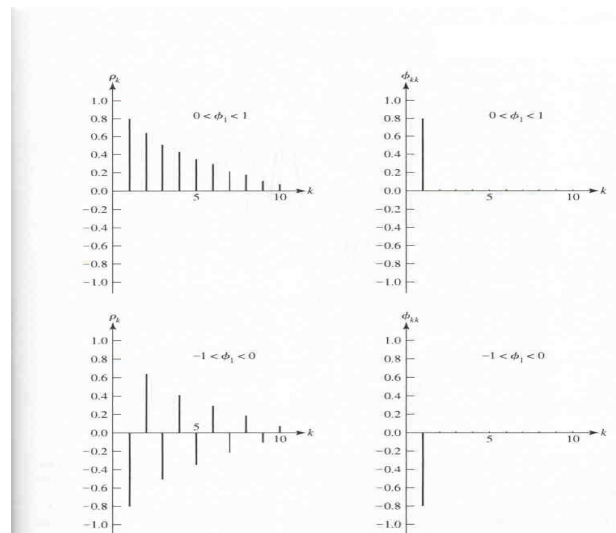
## ARIMA Models: Identification – Correlations

- Correlation approach.
- ACF identifies order of MA: Non-zero at lag  $q$ ; zero for lags  $> q$ .
- PACF identifies order of AR: Non-zero at lag  $p$ ; zero for lags  $> p$ .
- All other cases, try ARMA( $p, q$ ) with  $p > 0$  and  $q > 0$ .

Summary: For  $p > 0$  and  $q > 0$ .

	AR( $p$ )	MA( $q$ )	ARMA( $p, q$ )
ACF	Tails off	0 after lag $q$	Tails off
PACF	0 after lag $p$	Tails off	Tails off

## ARIMA Models: Identification – AR(1)



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### ARIMA Models: Identification – AR(2)

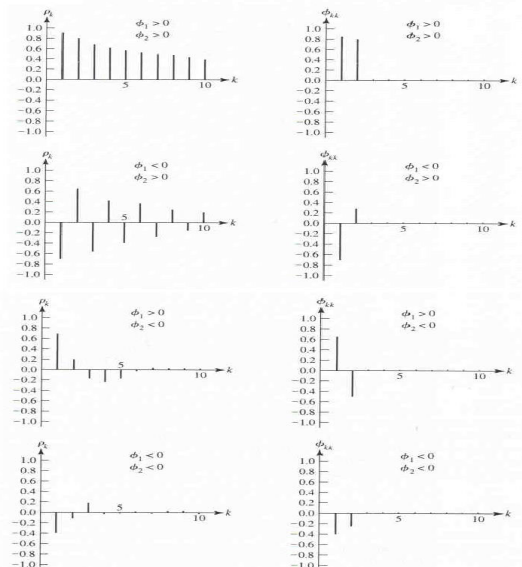


FIGURE ACF and PACF of AR(2) process:  $(1 - \phi_1 B - \phi_2 B^2)\hat{Z}_t = a_t$ .

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### ARIMA Models: Identification – MA(1)

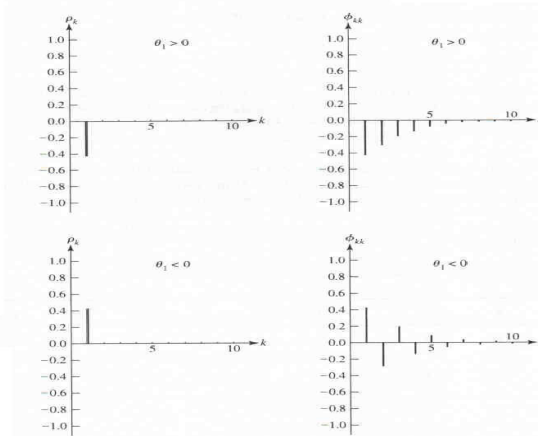
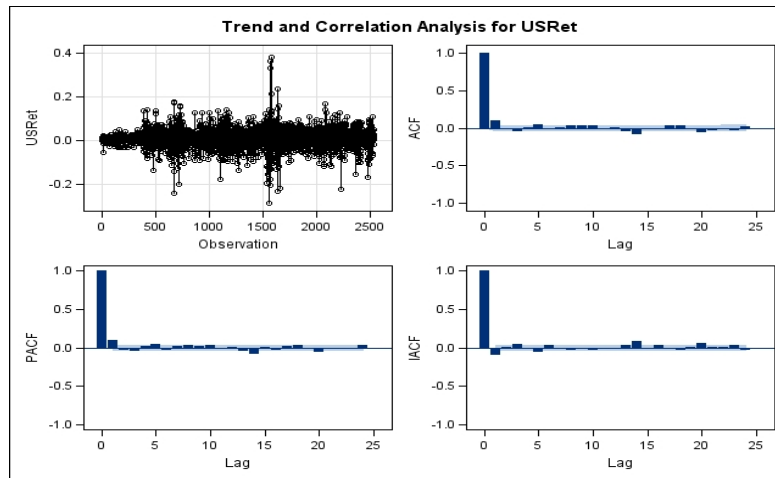


FIGURE ACF and PACF of MA(1) processes:  $\hat{Z}_t = (1 - \theta_1 B)a_t$ .

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## ARIMA Models: Identification – ARMA(1,1)

**Example:** Monthly US Returns (1800 - 2013).



• Note: Identification is not clear.

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## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

• *IC*'s are equal to the estimated variance or the log-likelihood function plus a penalty factor, that depends on  $k$ . Many *IC*'s. Popular ones:

- **Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)**

$$AIC = -2 * (\ln L - k) = -2 \ln L + 2 * k$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if normality } AIC = T * \ln\left(\frac{e'e}{T}\right) + 2 * k \quad (+\text{constants})$$

- **Bayes-Schwarz Information Criterion (BIC or SBIC)**

$$BIC = -2 * \ln L - \ln(T) * k$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if normality } AIC = T * \ln\left(\frac{e'e}{T}\right) + \ln(T) * k \quad (+\text{constants})$$

- **Hannan-Quinn (HQIC)**

$$HQIC = -2 * (\ln L - k [\ln(\ln(T))])$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if normality } AIC = T * \ln\left(\frac{e'e}{T}\right) + 2 * k [\ln(\ln(T))] \quad (+\text{constants})$$

### ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

- There are modifications of  $IC$  to get better finite sample behavior, a popular one is  $AIC$  corrected,  $AICc$ , statistic:

$$AICc = T \ln \hat{\sigma}^2 + \frac{2k(k+1)}{T-k-1}$$

- $AICc$  converges to  $AIC$  as  $T$  gets large. Using  $AICc$  is not a bad idea.
- For  $AR(p)$  models, other AR-specific criteria are possible: Akaike's final prediction error (FPE), Akaike's  $BIC$ , Parzen's CAT.
- **Hannan and Rissanen's** (1982) **minic** (=Minimum  $IC$ ): Calculate the  $BIC$  for different  $p$ 's (estimated first) and different  $q$ 's. Select the best model –i.e., lowest  $BIC$ .

Note: Box, Jenkins, and Reinsel (1994) proposed using the  $AIC$  above.

### ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

- We would like the  $IC$  statistics –i.e., the  $IC$ 's– to have good properties. For example, if the true model is being considered among many, we want the  $IC$  to select it. This can be done on average (unbiased) or as  $T$  increases (consistent).

Some results regarding  $AIC$  and  $BIC$ .

- $AIC$  and Adjusted  $R^2$  are **not consistent**.
- $AIC$  is conservative –i.e., it tends to over-fit:  $k_{AIC}$  too large models.
- In time series,  $AIC$  selects the model that minimizes the out-of-sample one-step ahead forecast MSE.
- $BIC$  is **more parsimonious** than  $AIC$ . It penalizes the inclusion of parameters more ( $k_{BIC} \leq k_{AIC}$ ).
- $BIC$  is **consistent** in autoregressive models.
- No agreement which criteria is better.

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

- **Example:** Monthly US Returns (1800 - 2013) Hannan and Rissanen (1982)'s minic.

### Minimum Information Criterion

Lags	MA 0	MA 1	MA 2	MA 3	MA 4	MA 5
<b>AR 0</b>	-6.1889	<b>-6.19573</b>	-6.19273	-6.19177	-6.18872	-6.18886
<b>AR 1</b>	-6.19511	-6.193	-6.19001	-6.18929	-6.18632	-6.18678
<b>AR 2</b>	-6.19271	-6.18993	-6.1911	-6.18802	-6.18536	-6.1839
<b>AR 3</b>	-6.19121	-6.18916	-6.18801	-6.18562	-6.18256	-6.18082
<b>AR 4</b>	-6.18853	-6.18609	-6.18523	-6.18254	-6.17983	-6.17774
<b>AR 5</b>	-6.18794	-6.18671	-6.18408	-6.18099	-6.1779	-6.17564

- Note: Best Model is ARMA(0, 1).

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

- Script in R to select model using *arima* function.

```

p <- 6                                # set max order for AR part: p-1
q <- 6                                # set max order for Ma part: q-1
npq <- p*q
aic_m <- matrix(0,nrow = npq, ncol=3) # matrix collects p, q, AIC: AIC in last column
j <- 0
k <- 1
while (j < p) {
  i <- 0
  while (i < q) {
    mod_j <- arima(lr_p, order=c(i,0,i)) # fit arima(p,0,q) process
    aic_m[k,] <- cbind(i, j, mod_j$aic)  # extract aic from arima fit model
    i <- i + 1
    k <- k + 1
  }
  j <- j + 1
}
aic_m
min_aic <- min(aic_m[,3])              # Print all the results AR(i), MA(j), AIC
min_aic                                # Minimum AIC
                                        # Print Minimum

which(aic_m == min_aic, arr.ind=TRUE)  # Prints the row

```

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

**Example:** Monthly US Returns (1871 - 2020).

R has a couple of functions that select automatically the “best” ARIMA model: *armaselect* (using package *auto*) minimizes BIC and *auto.arima* (using package *forecast*) minimizes *AIC*, ***AICc*** (default) or *BIC*.

```
> armaselect(lr_p) # shows the best 10 models according to BIC
  p q   sbc
[1,] 2 0 -11644.79
[2,] 1 0 -11641.53
[3,] 3 0 -11637.71
[4,] 4 0 -11632.43
[5,] 5 0 -11629.95
[6,] 2 1 -11627.42
[7,] 6 0 -11621.70
[8,] 1 3 -11620.18
[9,] 3 1 -11619.93
[10,] 2 2 -11619.44
```

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

**Example:** Monthly US Returns (1871 - 2020).

```
> auto.arima(lr_p, ic="bic", trace=TRUE) # ic="BIC". function
approximates models.
```

Fitting models using approximations to speed things up...

```
ARIMA(2,0,2) with non-zero mean : -6519.957
ARIMA(0,0,0) with non-zero mean : -6392.599
ARIMA(1,0,0) with non-zero mean : -6527.879
ARIMA(0,0,1) with non-zero mean : -6536.548
ARIMA(0,0,0) with zero mean   : -6385.246
ARIMA(1,0,1) with non-zero mean : -6529.358
ARIMA(0,0,2) with non-zero mean : -6530.806
ARIMA(1,0,2) with non-zero mean : -6523.415
ARIMA(0,0,1) with zero mean   : -6534.284
```

Now re-fitting the best model(s) without approximations...

```
ARIMA(0,0,1) with non-zero mean : -6536.463
```

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC

**Example (continuation):** Monthly US Returns (1871 - 2020).

```
> auto.arima(lr_p, ic="bic", max.p=5, max.q = 5, trace=TRUE)      # approximates
models.
```

```
Series: lr_p
ARIMA(0,0,1) with non-zero mean
```

Coefficients:

```
      ma1  mean
      0.2880 0.0037
s.e. 0.0218 0.0012
```

```
sigma^2 estimated as 0.001523: log likelihood=3279.47
AIC=-6552.94  AICc=-6552.93  BIC=-6536.46
```

- auto.arima does not try a lot of models, tries to keep the  $p + q \leq 5$ .

Remark: Do not take the results from auto.arima or armaselect or minic as the final model. We still need to check the residuals are WN.

## ARIMA Model: Identification – IC - Remarks

- The old correlation approach is seldom used. In practice, identification is done with ICs.
- There is no agreement on which IC is best. The *AIC* is the most popular, but others are also used.
- Asymptotically, the **BIC is consistent** –i.e., it selects the true model if, among other assumptions, the true model is among the candidate models considered.
- The *AIC* is not consistent, generally producing too large a model, but **is more efficient** –i.e., when the true model is not in the candidate model set, the *AIC* asymptotically chooses whichever model minimizes the MSE/MSPE.

## ARIMA Process – Estimation

- We assume:
  - The model order  $d$ ,  $p$ , and  $q$  is known. Make sure  $y_t$  is  $I(0)$ .
  - The data has zero mean ( $\mu=0$ ). If this is not reasonable, demean  $y_t$ .

Fit a zero-mean ARMA model to the demeaned  $y_t$ :

$$\phi(L)(y_t - \bar{y}) = \theta(L)\varepsilon_t$$

- Several ways to estimate an ARMA( $p$ ,  $q$ ) model:
  - 1) **Maximun Likelihood Esimation (MLE)**. Assume a distribution, usually a normal distribution, and, then, do ML.
  - 2) **Yule-Walker for ARMA( $p$ ,  $q$ )**. Method of moments. Not efficient.
  - 3) **OLS for AR( $p$ )**.
  - 4) **Innovations algorithm for MA( $q$ )**.
  - 5) **Hannan-Rissanen algorithm for ARMA( $p$ ,  $q$ )**.

## ARIMA Process – MLE

- 1) **Maximun Likelihood Esimation (MLE)**.

Steps:

- 1) Assume a distribution for the errors. Typically, *i.i.d.* normal, say:

$$\varepsilon_t \sim iid N(0, \sigma^2)$$

- 2) Write down the joint pdf for  $\varepsilon_t$ :  $f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T) = f(\varepsilon_1) \dots f(\varepsilon_T)$

Note: we are not writing the joint pdf in terms of the  $y_t$ 's, as a multiplication of the marginal pdfs because of the dependency in  $y_t$ .

- 3) Get  $\varepsilon_t$ . For the general stationary ARMA( $p$ ,  $q$ ) model:

$$\varepsilon_t = y_t - \phi_1 y_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p y_{t-p} + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \theta_2 \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}$$

(if  $\mu \neq 0$ , demean  $y_t$ .)

- 4) The joint pdf for  $\{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T\}$  is:

$$f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_T | \mu, \phi, \theta, \sigma^2) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-T/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i^2\right\}$$

## ARIMA Process – MLE

• Steps:

5) Let  $Y = \{y_t\}$  and assume that initial conditions  $Y_* = (y_{1-p}, \dots, y_0)'$  and  $\varepsilon_* = (\varepsilon_{1-q}, \dots, \varepsilon_0)'$  are known.

6) The conditional log-likelihood function is given by

$$\ln L(\mu, \phi, \theta, \sigma^2) = -\frac{T}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{S_*(\mu, \phi, \theta)}{2\sigma^2}$$

where  $S_*(\mu, \phi, \theta) = \sum_{t=1}^n \varepsilon_t^2(\mu, \phi, \theta | Y, Y_*, \varepsilon_*)$  is the conditional SS.

Note: Usual Initial conditions:  $y_* = \bar{y}$  and  $\varepsilon_* = E[\varepsilon_t] = 0$ .

• Numerical optimization problem. Initial values ( $y_*$ ) matter.

## ARIMA Process – MLE: AR(1)

**Example:**

- To change the joint from  $\varepsilon_t$  to  $y_t$ , we need the Jacobian,  $|J|$ :

$$|J| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial \varepsilon_2}{\partial Y_2} & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_2}{\partial Y_3} & \dots & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_2}{\partial Y_n} \\ \frac{\partial \varepsilon_3}{\partial Y_2} & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_3}{\partial Y_3} & \dots & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_3}{\partial Y_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \varepsilon_n}{\partial Y_2} & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_n}{\partial Y_3} & \dots & \frac{\partial \varepsilon_n}{\partial Y_n} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -\phi & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$f(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_T) = f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T) * |J| = f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_T)$$

- Then, the likelihood function can be written as

$$L(\phi, \sigma_a^2) = f(Y_1, \dots, Y_n) = f(Y_1) f(Y_2, \dots, Y_n | Y_1) = f(Y_1) f(\varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\gamma_0} \right)^{1/2} e^{-\frac{(Y_1-0)^2}{2\gamma_0}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \right)^{(T-1)/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{t=2}^T (Y_t - \phi Y_{t-1})^2}, \text{ where } Y_1 \sim N\left(0, \gamma_0 = \frac{\sigma^2}{1-\phi^2}\right).$$



## ARIMA Process – MLE: AR(1)

### Example:

- Then,

$$L(\phi, \sigma^2) = \frac{\sqrt{1-\phi^2}}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ \sum_{t=2}^n (Y_t - \phi Y_{t-1})^2 + (1-\phi^2)Y_1^2 \right] \right\}$$

- Then, the log likelihood function:

$$\begin{aligned} \ln L(\phi, \sigma^2) = & -\frac{n}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{n}{2} \ln \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1-\phi^2) - \\ & - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \underbrace{\left[ \sum_{t=2}^n (Y_t - \phi Y_{t-1})^2 + (1-\phi^2)Y_1^2 \right]}_{S^*(\phi)} \\ & \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{S(\phi)} \end{aligned}$$

-  $S^*(\phi)$  is the conditional SS and  $S(\phi)$  is the unconditional SS.

## ARIMA Process – MLE: AR(1)

### Example:

- F.o.c.'s:

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\phi, \sigma^2)}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\phi, \sigma^2)}{\partial \sigma} = 0$$

Note: If we neglect  $\ln(1-\phi^2)$ , then MLE = Conditional LSE.

$$\max_{\phi} L(\phi, \sigma^2) = \min S(\phi).$$

If we neglect both  $\ln(1-\phi^2)$  and  $(1-\phi^2)Y_1^2$ , then

$$\max_{\phi} L(\phi, \sigma^2) = \min S(\phi_*).$$

## ARIMA Process – Yule-Walker

2) *Yule-Walker for ARMA(p, q)*. Method of moments. Not efficient

- For an AR(p), the Yule-Walker estimator for  $\phi$  is given by solving

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma} = \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \boldsymbol{\phi}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \cdots & \gamma(p-1) \\ \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \cdots & \gamma(p-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma(p-1) & \gamma(p-2) & \cdots & \gamma(0) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{a } p \times p \text{ matrix}$$

$\boldsymbol{\phi}$  is the  $p \times 1$  vector of AR(p) coefficients

$\boldsymbol{\gamma}$  is the  $p \times 1$  vector of  $\gamma(k)$  autocovariances.

- MM: Compute sample  $\gamma(k)$ 's – i.e.,  $\hat{\gamma}(k)$ 's – & solve:  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}}_p^{-1} \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_p$
- If  $\hat{\gamma}(0) > 0$ , then  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}}_p$  is non-singular.

## ARIMA Process – Yule-Walker

### • Distribution:

If  $y_t$  is an AR(p) process, and  $T$  is large,

$$\sqrt{T} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} - \boldsymbol{\phi}) \xrightarrow{a} N(0, \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1})$$

- 100\*(1 -  $\alpha$ )% approximate C.I. for  $\phi_j$  is  $\hat{\phi}_j \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sqrt{T}} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}}_p^{-1})_{jj}^{1/2}$

Note: The Yule-Walker algorithm requires  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1}$ .

- For AR(p). The **Levinson-Durbin (LD) algorithm** avoids  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1}$ . It is a recursive linear algebra prediction algorithm. It takes advantage that  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}$  is a symmetric matrix, with a constant diagonal (Toeplitz matrix). Use LD replacing  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$  with  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}_p$ .
- Side effect of LD: automatic calculation of PACF and MSPE.

### ARIMA Process – Yule-Walker: AR(1)

**Example:** AR(1) (MM) estimation ( $\mu = 0$ ):

$$y_t = \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim WN.$$

It is known that  $\rho_1 = \phi$ . Then, the MME of  $\phi$  is

$$\Rightarrow \rho_1 = \hat{\rho}_1.$$

$$\hat{\phi}_1 = \hat{\rho}_1 = \frac{\sum(Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t+k} - \bar{Y})}{\sum(Y_t - \bar{Y})^2}$$

• Also,  $\sigma^2$  is unknown:

$$\gamma(0) = \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \phi_1^2)} \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 = \hat{\gamma}(0) * (1 - \hat{\phi}_1^2)$$

### ARIMA Process – Yule-Walker: MA(1)

**Example:** MA(1) (MM) estimation:  $y_t = \varepsilon_t - \theta \varepsilon_{t-1}$

$$y_t = \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1}$$

Again using the autocorrelation of the series at lag 1,

$$\rho_1 = -\frac{\theta}{(1 + \theta^2)} = \hat{\rho}_1$$

$$\theta^2 \hat{\rho}_1 + \theta + \hat{\rho}_1 = 0$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\hat{\rho}_1^2}}{2\hat{\rho}_1}$$

• Choose the root satisfying the invertibility condition. For real roots:

$$1 - 4\hat{\rho}_1^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow 0.25 \geq \hat{\rho}_1^2 \Rightarrow -0.5 \leq \hat{\rho}_1 \leq 0.5$$

If  $\hat{\rho}_1 = \pm 0.5$ , unique real roots but non-invertible.

If  $|\hat{\rho}_1| < 0.5$ , unique real roots and invertible.

### ARIMA Process – Yule-Walker

- Remarks
  - The MMEs for MA and ARMA models are complicated.
  - In general, regardless of AR, MA or ARMA models, the MMEs are sensitive to rounding errors. They are usually used to provide initial estimates needed for a more efficient nonlinear estimation method.
  - The moment estimators are not recommended for final estimation results and should not be used if the process is close to being nonstationary or noninvertible.

### ARIMA Process – Estimation Hannan-Rissanen

#### 5) *Hannan-Rissanen algorithm for ARMA(p, q)*

Steps:

1. Estimate high-order AR.
2. Use Step (1) to estimate (unobserved) noise  $\varepsilon_t$
3. Regress  $y_t$  against  $y_{t-1}, y_{t-2}, \dots, y_{t-p}, \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-1}, \dots, \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-q}$
4. Get new estimates of  $\varepsilon_t$ . Repeat Step (3).

## ARFIMA Process: Fractional Integration

- Consider a simple ARIMA model:  $(1 - L)^d y_t = \varepsilon_t$
- We went over two cases for  $d = 0$  & 1. Granger and Joyeux (1980) consider the model where  $0 \leq d \leq 1$ .

- We Taylor expand  $(1 - L)^d$  around  $L_0 = 0$  (a binomial series expansion):

$$(1 - L)^d = 1 - dL + \frac{d(d-1)L^2}{2!} - \frac{d(d-1)(d-2)L^3}{3!} + \dots$$

- Similarly, for  $(1 - L)^{-d}$

$$(1 - L)^{-d} = 1 + dL + \frac{(d+1)dL^2}{2!} + \frac{d(d+1)(d+2)L^3}{3!} + \dots$$

- Thus, the ARIMA(0,  $d$ , 1):

$$y_t = (1 - L)^{-d} \varepsilon_t = \varepsilon_t + d\varepsilon_{t-1} + \frac{(d+1)d}{2!} \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots$$

## ARFIMA Process: Fractional Integration

- In the ARIMA(0,  $d$ , 1):

$$y_t = (1 - L)^{-d} \varepsilon_t = \varepsilon_t + d\varepsilon_{t-1} + \frac{(d+1)d}{2!} \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots$$

- The above MA can be approximated by:

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= (1 - L)^{-d} \varepsilon_t \approx \varepsilon_t + (1 + 1)^d \varepsilon_{t-1} + (1 + 2)^{d-1} \varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta_j \varepsilon_{t-j} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\beta_0 = 1$ . Convergence depends on  $d$ .

- Hosking (1981) shows that  $\rho(k) \propto k^{2d-1}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .
- The series is covariance stationary if  $d < 1/2$ . (When  $d \geq 1/2$ , the variance explodes.) Then, ARFIMA models have slow (hyperbolic to zero) decay patterns in the ACF.

## ARFIMA Process: Fractional Integration

- $\rho(k) \propto k^{2d-1}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

This type of slow decay patterns also show **long memory** for shocks. This type of process is neither  $I(0)$  (stationary) nor  $I(1)$  (unit root). It is an  $I(d)$  (in between, no “short” memory, with decaying impact of shock, nor “persistent” memory, with permanent effect of shocks)!

- When  $0 < d < 0.5$ , the ARFIMA process is said to exhibit long memory, or **long-range positive dependence**. When  $0 > d > -0.5$ , the ARFIMA process is said to exhibit long **long-range negative dependence** (or **anti-persistence**).

Note: When  $d = 0$ , we have a stationary ARMA.

## ARFIMA Process: Estimation

- Estimation is complicated. Many methods have been proposed. The majority of them are two-steps procedures. First, we estimate  $d$ . Then, we fit a traditional ARMA process to the transformed.

Popular estimation methods:

- Based on the log periodogram regressions, due to Geweke and Porter-Hudak (1983), GPH. Phillips (1999) has a generalized version of the GPH
- Rescaled range (RR), due to Hurst (1951) and modified by Lo (1991).
- Approximated ML (AML), due to Beran (1995). In this case, all parameters are estimated simultaneously.

## ARFIMA Process: Remarks

- In a general review paper, Granger (1999) concludes that *ARFIMA* processes may fall into the **empty box** category –i.e., models with stochastic properties that do not mimic the properties of the data.
- Leybourne, Harris, and McCabe (2003) find some forecasting power for long series. Bhardwaj and Swanson (2004) find ARFIMA useful at longer forecast horizons.

## ARFIMA Process: Example

- From Bhardwaj and Swanson (2004)

Table 2: Analysis of U.S. S&P500 Daily Absolute Returns (\*)

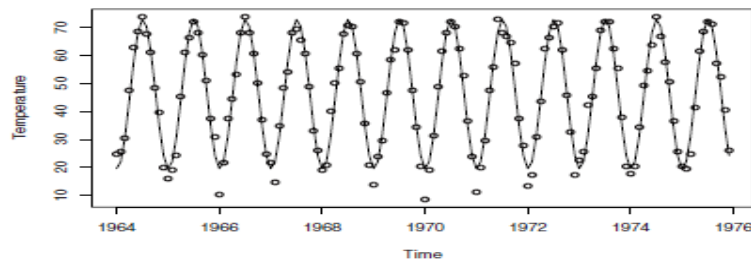
Estimation Scheme and Forecast Horizon	ARFIMA Model	$d$	non-ARFIMA Model	DM	ENC-t	DM Best vs. RW
1 day ahead, recursive	WHI (1,1)	0.41 (0.0001)	ARMA(4,2)	-1.18	0.47	-13.64
5 day ahead, recursive	GPH (1,2)	0.57 (0.0011)	ARMA(4,2)	-0.71	1.75	-10.10
20 day ahead, recursive	GPH (1,2)	0.57 (0.0011)	ARMA(4,2)	-0.68	2.91	-5.96
120 day ahead, recursive	GPH (1,2)	0.57 (0.0011)	ARMA(4,2)	0.38	7.52	-6.33
240 day ahead, recursive	GPH (1,2)	0.57 (0.0011)	ARMA(4,2)	0.52	10.22	-6.16
1 day ahead, rolling	RR (1,1)	0.25 (0.0009)	ARMA(4,2)	2.02	4.56	-12.44
5 day ahead, rolling	GPH (1,2)	0.55 (0.0044)	ARMA(4,2)	-2.28	0.26	-10.24
20 day ahead, rolling	GPH (1,2)	0.55 (0.0044)	ARMA(4,2)	-2.44	0.79	-5.91
120 day ahead, rolling	GPH (1,2)	0.55 (0.0044)	ARMA(4,2)	-4.07	0.09	-6.32
240 day ahead, rolling	RR (1,1)	0.25 (0.0009)	ARMA(4,2)	-2.62	2.72	-5.90

## Review: ARIMA Models – Box-Jenkins

- How do we select  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $d$  for an ARIMA model?
- Box-Jenkins Approach
  - 1) Make sure data is stationary –check a time plot. If not, differentiate.
  - 2) Use IC (AIC, AICc, BIC, etc.). You can also use ACF & PACF to guess small values for  $p$  &  $q$ . If ACF shows seasonal patterns (waves or periodic significant pikes), remove them.
  - 3) Estimate order  $p$ ,  $q$ . (ML, Hannan-Rissanen algorithm, etc.)
  - 4) Run diagnostic tests on residuals (Check ACF, LB tests).  
 ⇒ Are they white noise? If not, add lags ( $p$  or  $q$ , or both).
- Value parsimony. When in doubt, keep it simple (KISS).
- Looks simple, but there are a lot of nuances to the process. Step 1 is crucial: Need to remove everything deterministic.

## Seasonal Patterns

- We say a time series shows seasonal patterns if it repeats itself after a regular period of time.

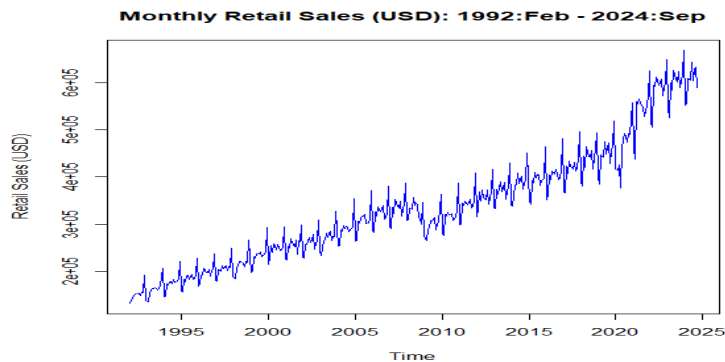


- “Business cycle effects” in macroeconomics “time of the day” in trading patterns, “Monday effect” for stock returns, “9 to 5 effect” for electricity demand, etc.
- The smallest time period for this repetitive phenomenon is called a seasonal period,  $s$ .



## Seasonal Patterns

- In the Box-Jenkins approach, we also incorporate seasonal patterns.
- Some seasonal patterns are very clear. For example, retail sales increase in December, hotel occupancy goes up in the Summer, etc.



## Seasonal Patterns: Additive & Multiplicative

- In time series, seasonal patterns (“**seasonalities**”) can show up in two forms: additive and multiplicative.

**(1) Additive:** The seasonal variation is independent of the level. The amplitude of the seasonal pattern is constant over time. The constant amplitude can be around a mean or constant around a trend.

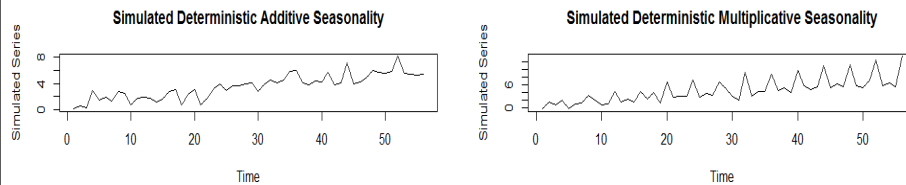
**(2) Multiplicative:** The seasonal variation is a function of the level. Thus, we see an increasing amplitude in the seasonal variation over time. Again, the increasing amplitude can be around a mean or around a trend.

Note: In practice, because of the presence of the error term, we expect to see the constant or increasing amplitude on average.

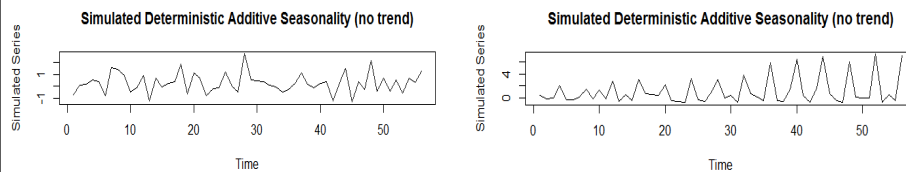
## Seasonal Patterns: Additive & Multiplicative

**Examples:** We simulate the two seasonal patterns, additive and multiplicative, with trend and no trend.

### A. With trend

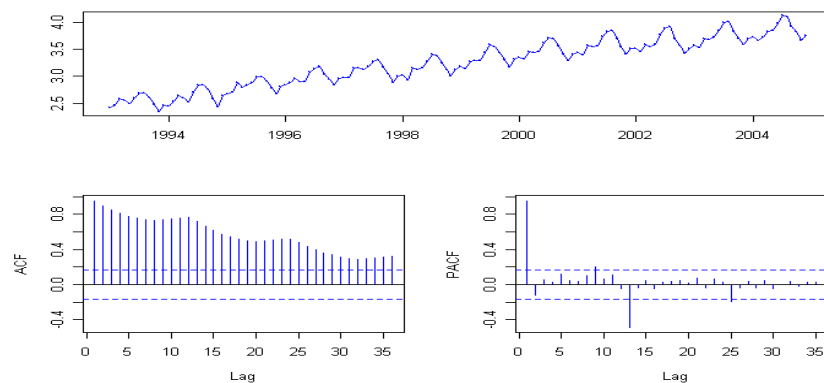


### B. With no trend



## Discovering Seasonal Patterns

- In general, seasonal patterns are evident in a plot of the raw series. Also, the ACF and PACF can be used to discover the pattern.



**Signs:** Periodic repetitive wave pattern in ACF, repetition of significant ACFs, PACFs after  $s$  periods.

## Removing Seasonal Patterns

- In the presence of seasonal patterns, we proceed to do seasonal adjustments to remove these predictable influences.
- Seasonalities can blur both the true underlying movement in the series, as well as certain non-seasonal characteristics which may be of interest to analysts.
- Similar to the trend, the type of adjustment depends on how we view the seasonal pattern: **Deterministic** or **Stochastic**.
- **Deterministic** – Usual treatment: Build a deterministic function:
 
$$f(s) = f(t + k * s), \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$
- **Stochastic** – Usual treatment: SARIMA model. For example:
 
$$(1 - L^s)\phi(L)(1 - L)^d y_t = \theta(L)\Theta(L^s)\varepsilon_t$$
 where  $s$  the seasonal periodicity or frequency of  $y_t$ .

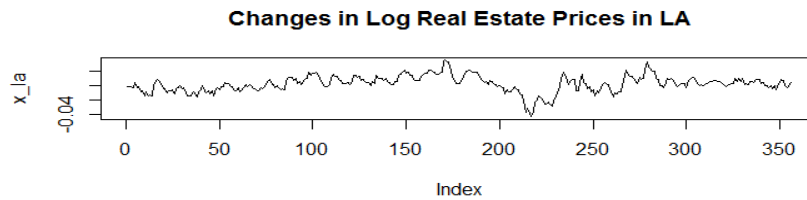
## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

- We follow a similar 2-step process to detrending:
  - 1) Regress  $y_t$  against the seasonal dummies. Keep residuals
  - 2) With the residuals, follow Box-Jenkins to select an ARIMA model.
- For **Step 1**. Suppose  $y_t$  has monthly frequency, we suspect that  $y_t$  increases every December.
  - For the **additive model**, we regress  $y_t$  against a constant and a December dummy,  $D_t$ :
 
$$y_t = \mu + D_t \mu_s + \varepsilon_t$$
  - For the **multiplicative model**, we regress  $y_t$  against a constant and a December dummy,  $D_t$ , interacting with a trend:
 
$$y_t = \mu + D_t \mu_s * t + \varepsilon_t$$
- For **Step 2**. Use the residuals of these regressions,  $e_t$ , –i.e.,  $e_t =$  *filtered*  $y_t$ , free of “monthly seasonal effects”– for ARMA modeling.

## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example:** We model **log changes in real estate prices in the LA market**,  $y_t$ . First, we run a regression to remove (filter) the monthly effects from  $y_t$ . Then, we model  $y_t$  as an ARMA( $p, q$ ) process.

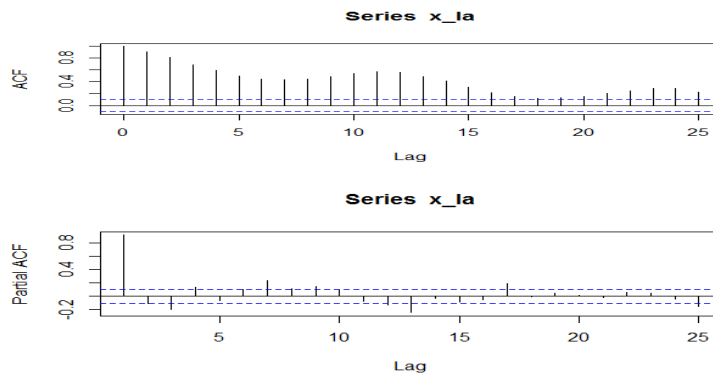
```
RE_da <- read.csv("http://www.bauer.uh.edu/rsusmel/4397/Real_Estate_2019.csv",
  head=TRUE, sep=",")
x_la <- RE_da$LA_c
zz <- x_la
T <- length(zz)
plot(x_la, type="l", main="Changes in Log Real Estate Prices in LA")
```



## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example (continuation):** We look at the ACF & PACF for LA

```
> acf(x_la)
> pacf(x_la)
```



Note: ACF shows highly autocorrelated data, with some seasonal pattern (there is a periodic decreasing wave).

## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example (continuation):** We define monthly dummies

```
Feb1 <- rep(c(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create January dummy
Mar1 <- rep(c(0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create March dummy
Apr1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create April dummy
May1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create May dummy
Jun1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create June dummy
Jul1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Jul dummy
Aug1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Aug dummy
Sep1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Sep dummy
Oct1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Oct dummy
Nov1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Oct dummy
Dec1 <- rep(c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0), (length(zz)/12+1)) # Create Oct dummy
seas1 <- cbind(Feb1, Mar1, Apr1, May1, Jun1, Jul1, Aug1, Sep1, Oct1, Nov1, Dec1)
seas <- seas1[1:T,]

x_la_fit_sea <- lm(x_la ~ seas) # Regress x_la against constant + seasonal dummies
> summary(x_la_fit_sea)
```

## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example (continuation):** We define monthly dummies

```
> summary(x_la_fit_sea)
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(> |t|)
(Intercept) -0.0014063  0.0020125  -0.699 0.485157
seasFeb1     0.0006752  0.0028223   0.239 0.811079
seasMar1     0.0049095  0.0028223   1.740 0.082838 .
seasApr1     0.0090903  0.0028223   3.221 0.001400 **
seasMay1     0.0104159  0.0028223   3.691 0.000260 ***
seasJun1     0.0103464  0.0028223   3.666 0.000285 ***
seasJul1     0.0080593  0.0028223   2.856 0.004557 **
seasAug1     0.0062247  0.0028223   2.206 0.028080 *
seasSep1     0.0032244  0.0028223   1.142 0.254055
seasOct1     0.0011967  0.0028461   0.420 0.674421
seasNov1    -0.0006218  0.0028461  -0.218 0.827181
seasDec1    -0.0009031  0.0028461  -0.317 0.751195
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

**Note:** Returns –i.e., home prices– are higher from April to August.

## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example (continuation):** Now, we model  $e_t$ , the filtered LA series

```
x_la_fit <- x_la_fit_sea$residuals          # residuals,  $e_t$  = filtered x_la series
fit_ar_la_fit <- auto.arima(x_la_fit)      # use auto.arima to look for a good model
> fit_ar_la_fit
Series: x_la_fit
ARIMA(2,0,1) with zero mean

Coefficients:
      ar1  ar2  ma1
      0.0987 0.7737 0.7245
s.e. 0.0963 0.0866 0.1136

sigma^2 estimated as 1.668e-05: log likelihood=1453.66
AIC=-2899.33  AICc=-2899.21  BIC=-2883.83

> checkresiduals(fit_ar_la_fit)

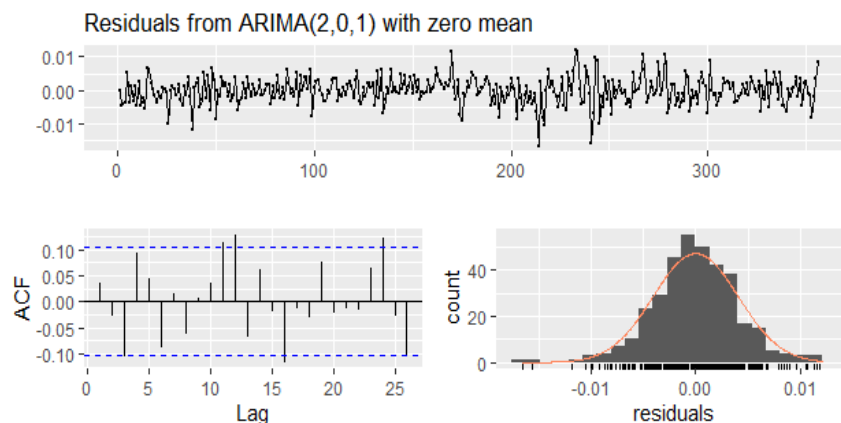
Ljung-Box test

data: Residuals from ARIMA(2,0,1) with zero mean
Q* = 13.5, df = 7, p-value = 0.06083  => Reject H0 at 5% lever. But, judgement call is OK.

Model df: 3. Total lags used: 10
```

## Removing Seasonalities: Deterministic Case

**Example (continuation):** We check residual plots.



**Note:** ACF shows some small, but significant autocorrelations, but the seasonal (wave) pattern is no longer there.

## Removing Seasonalities: SARIMA

- For stochastic seasonality, we use the Seasonal ARIMA model. In general, we have the SARIMA( $P, D, Q$ )<sub>s</sub>:

$$\Phi_P(L^S) (1 - L^S)^D y_t = \theta_0 + \Theta_Q(L^S)\varepsilon_t$$

where  $\theta_0$  is constant and

$$\Phi_P(L^S) = 1 - \Phi_1 L^S - \Phi_2 L^{2S} - \Phi_3 L^{3S} \dots - \Phi_P L^{PS}$$

$$\Theta_Q(L^S) = 1 - \theta_1 L^S - \theta_2 L^{2S} - \theta_3 L^{3S} \dots - \theta_Q L^{QS}$$

**Example 1:** SARIMA(0,0,1)<sub>12</sub> = SMA(1)<sub>12</sub>

$$y_t = \theta_0 + \varepsilon_t - \Theta \varepsilon_{t-12}$$

- Invertibility Condition:  $|\Theta| < 1$ .

$$- E[y_t] = \theta_0.$$

$$- Var[y_t] = (1 + \Theta^2)\sigma^2$$

$$ACF: \rho_k = \begin{cases} -\Theta, & |k|=12 \\ 1 + \Theta^2, & |k|=24 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Removing Seasonalities: SARIMA

**Example 2:** SARIMA(1,0,0)<sub>12</sub> = AR(1)<sub>12</sub>

$$(1 - \Phi L^{12}) y_t = \theta_0 + \varepsilon_t$$

- This is a simple seasonal AR model.

- Stationarity Condition:  $|\Phi| < 1$ .

$$- E[y_t] = \frac{\theta_0}{1 - \Phi}$$

$$- Var[y_t] = \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \Phi^2}$$

$$- ACF: \rho(12 * k) = \Phi^{12 * k} \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

- When  $\Phi = 1$ , the series is non-stationary. To test for a unit root, consider seasonal unit root tests.

## Seasonal Time Series – Multiplicative SARIMA

- A special, parsimonious class of seasonal time series models that is commonly used in practice is the multiplicative seasonal model  $ARIMA(p, d, q)(P, D, Q)_s$ :

$$\phi_p(L)\Phi_P(L^s)(1-L)^d(1-L^s)^D y_t = \theta_0 + \theta_q(L)\Theta_Q(L^s)\varepsilon_t$$

where all zeros of  $\phi_p(L)$ ;  $\Phi_P(L^s)$ ;  $\theta_q(L)$  &  $\Theta_Q(L^s)$  lie outside the unit circle. Of course, there are no common factors between  $\phi_p(L)\Phi_P(L^s)$  and  $\theta_q(L)\Theta_Q(L^s)$

- When  $\Phi_P(L^s = 1) = 0$ , the series is non-stationary. To test for a unit root, consider seasonal unit root tests.

## Seasonal Time Series – Multiplicative SARIMA

- We derive ACF as usual: For example,

$$W_t = (1 - \theta L)(1 - \Theta L^{12}) y_t, \quad W_t \sim I(0)$$

then,

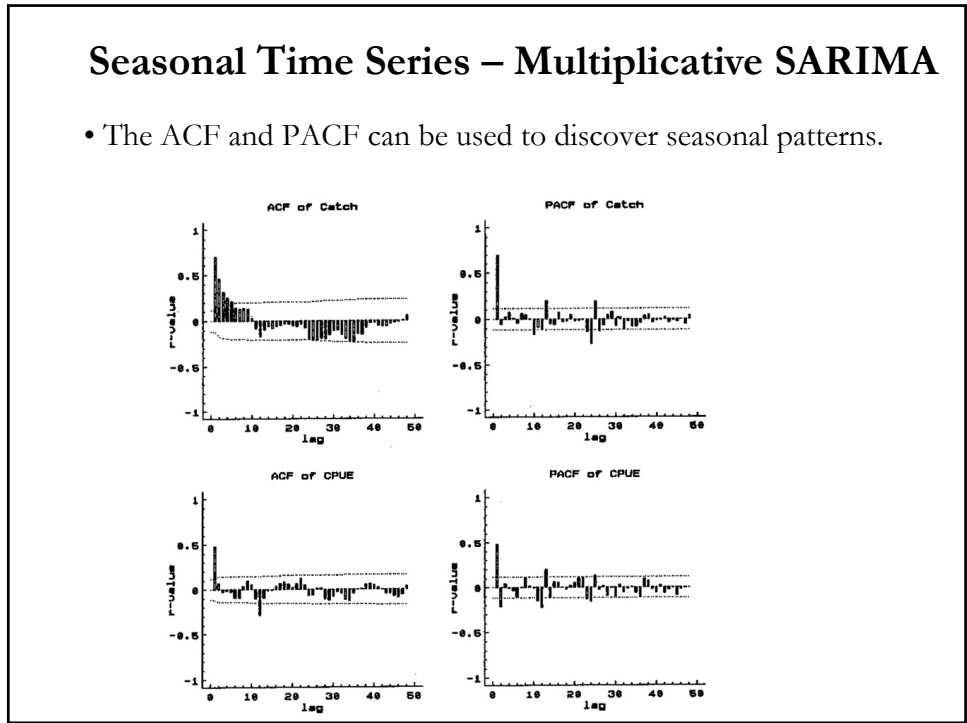
$$\begin{aligned} W_t &= (1 - \theta L)(1 - \Theta L^{12}) y_t \\ &= (1 - \theta L - \Theta L^{12} + \theta\Theta L^{13}) y_t \\ &= y_t - \theta y_{t-1} - \Theta y_{t-12} + \theta\Theta y_{t-13} \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma_k = \begin{cases} (1 + \theta^2)(1 + \Theta^2)\sigma^2, & k = 0 \\ -\theta(1 + \Theta^2)\sigma^2, & |k| = 1 \\ -\Theta(1 + \theta^2)\sigma^2, & |k| = 12 \\ \theta\Theta\sigma^2, & |k| = 11, 13 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \rho_k = \begin{cases} \frac{-\theta}{(1 + \theta^2)}, & |k| = 1 \\ \frac{-\Theta}{(1 + \Theta^2)}, & |k| = 12 \\ \frac{\theta\Theta}{(1 + \theta^2)(1 + \Theta^2)}, & |k| = 11, 13 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



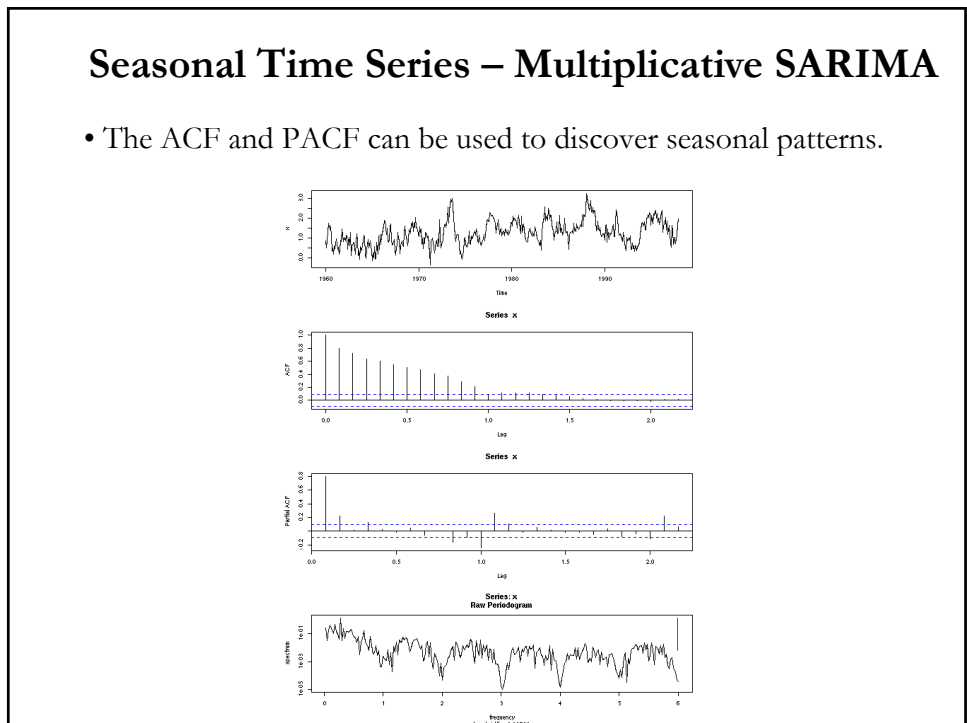
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- The ACF and PACF can be used to discover seasonal patterns.



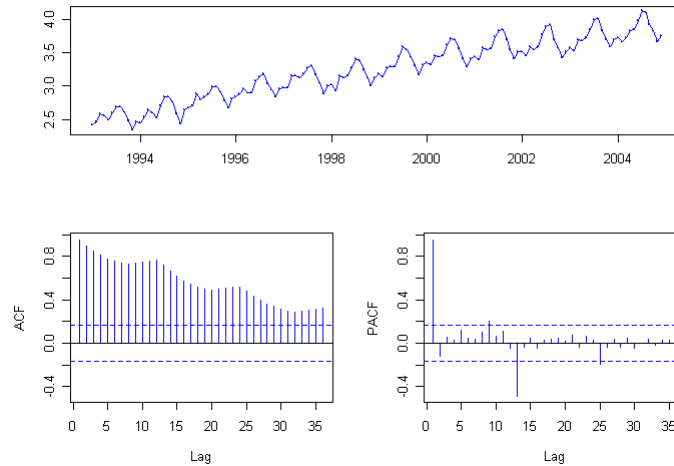
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## Seasonal Time Series – Multiplicative SARIMA

- Most used seasonal model in practice: SARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)<sub>12</sub>  

$$(1 - L)(1 - L^{12})y_t = (1 - \theta L)(1 - \Theta L^{12})\varepsilon_t$$
 where  $|\theta| < 1$  and  $|\Theta| < 1$ .

- This model is the most used seasonal model in practice. It was used by Box and Jenkins (1976) for modeling the well-known monthly series of airline passengers. It is called the *airline model*.

- We usually work with the RHS variable,

$$W_t = (1 - L)(1 - L^{12})y_t$$

$(1 - L)$ : “regular” difference

$(1 - L^{12})$ : “seasonal” difference.

## Seasonal Time Series – Seasonal Unit Roots

- If a series has seasonal unit roots, then standard ADF test statistic do not have the same distribution as for non-seasonal series.
- Furthermore, seasonally adjusting series which contain seasonal unit roots can alias the seasonal roots to the zero frequency, so there is a number of reasons why economists are interested in seasonal unit roots.
- See Hylleberg, S., Engle, R.F., Granger, C. W. J., and Yoo, B. S., Seasonal integration and cointegration,(1990, *Journal of Econometrics*).

## Non-Stationarity in Variance

- Stationarity in mean does not imply stationarity in variance
- Non-stationarity in mean implies non-stationarity in variance.
- If the mean function is time dependent:
  1. The variance,  $Var[y_t]$ , is time dependent.
  2.  $Var[y_t]$  is unbounded as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .
  3. Autocovariance functions and ACFs are also time dependent.
  4. If  $t$  is large with respect to  $y_0$ , then  $\rho_k \approx 1$ .
- It is common to use **variance stabilizing transformations**: Find a function  $G(\cdot)$  so that the transformed series  $G(y_t)$  has a constant (or lower) variance. For example, the Box-Cox transformation:

$$G(y_t) = \frac{(y_t^\lambda - 1)}{\lambda}$$

## Non-Stationarity in Variance

- Many times, this stabilizing transformation is done because the variance is non-stationary. In practice, a variance stabilizing transformation is done to reduce the variance of the series.
- Traditionally, variance stabilizing transformations are used when working with a nominal series (not changes, say, USD total retail sales or total units sold).
- In the context of nominal series, the most popular transformation is the log:

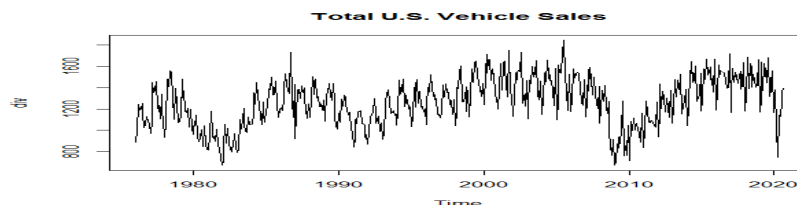
$$G(y_t) = \log(y_t)$$

## Non-Stationarity in Variance: Logs

**Example:** We log transform the monthly variable Total U.S. Vehicle Sales data (1976: Jan – 2020: Sep):

```
Car_da <- read.csv("https://www.bauer.uh.edu/rsusmel/4397/TOTALNSA.csv",
  head=TRUE, sep=",")
x_car <- Car_da$TOTALNSA
```

```
library(tseries)
ts_car <- ts(x_car, start=c(1976,1), frequency=12)
plot.ts(ts_car, xlab="Time", ylab="div", main="Total U.S. Vehicle Sales")
```

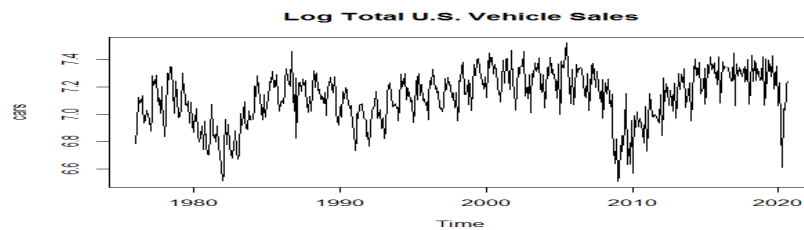


```
> mean(x_car)
[1] 1260.818
> sd(x_car)
[1] 225.5706
```

## Non-Stationarity in Variance: Logs

### Example (continuation):

```
l_car <- log(ts_car)
> plot.ts(l_car,xlab="Time",ylab="div", main="Log Total U.S. Vehicle Sales")
```



```
> mean(l_car)
[1] 7.122416
> sd(l_car)
[1] 0.1889378
```

Note: Big reduction in volatility. Though pattern of series not significantly changed.

## Variance Stabilizing Transformation - Remarks

- Variance stabilizing transformation is only for positive series. If a series has negative values, then we need to add each value with a positive number so that all the values in the series are positive.
- Then, we can search for any need for transformation.
- It should be performed before any other analysis, such as differencing.
- Not only stabilize the variance, but we tend to find that it also improves the approximation of the distribution by Normal distribution.