

Classic Time Series Analysis

Concepts and Definitions

- Let Y be a random number with PDF f

$$Y(t) \sim f(\theta, t)$$

- Define

$$\mu(t) = E[Y(t)]$$

– $\mu(t)$ is known as the trend

- Define the autocovariance

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(t, s) &= COV[Y(t), Y(s)] \\ &= E[(Y(t) - \mu(t)) \cdot (Y(s) - \mu(s))] \end{aligned}$$

Stationarity

- Strict stationarity: joint PDF of Y does not change depending upon time

$$f(\theta, t_i + s) = f(\theta, t_j + s)$$

- Second-order stationarity

$$\mu(t) = \mu$$

No trend

$$\gamma(t, s) = \gamma(|t - s|)$$

Covariance only a function of difference in time

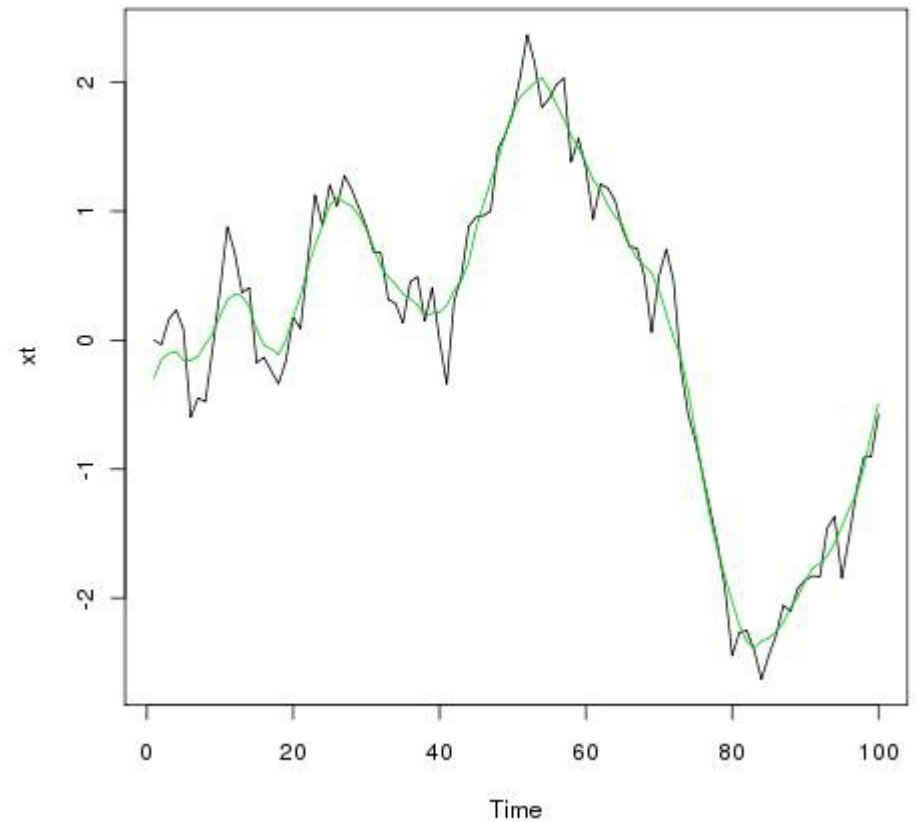
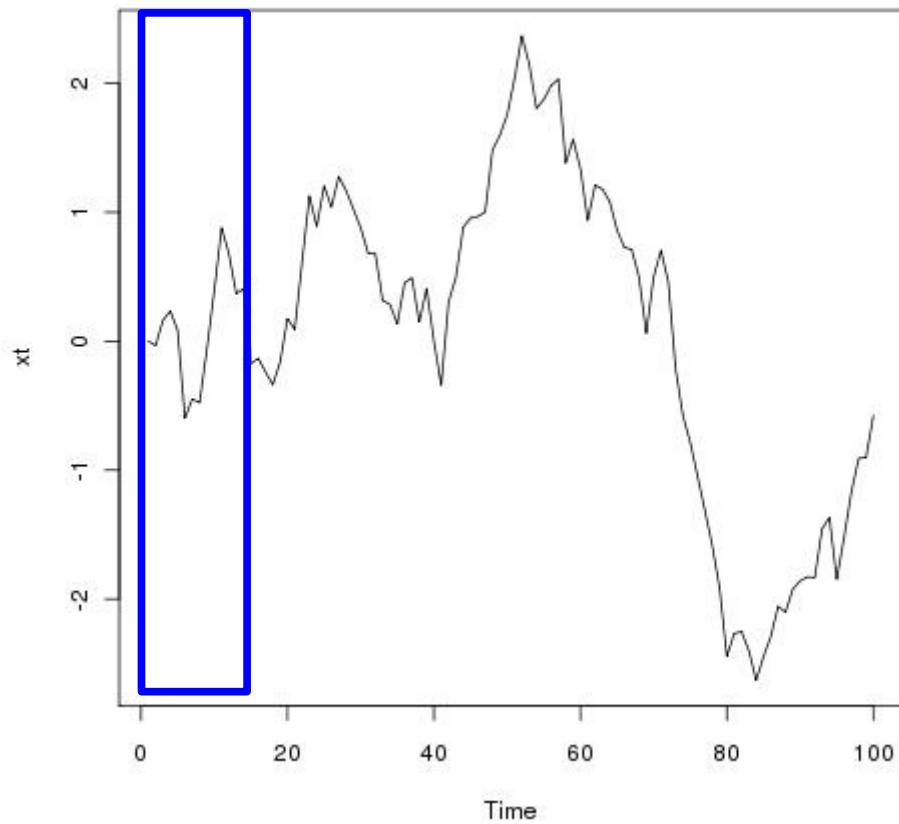
Most common assumption

Descriptive Approaches

- Smoothing
- Detrending
- Differencing
- Autocorrelation
- Spectral decomposition (not covered)
 - Power spectra / Fourier transform
 - Wavelet

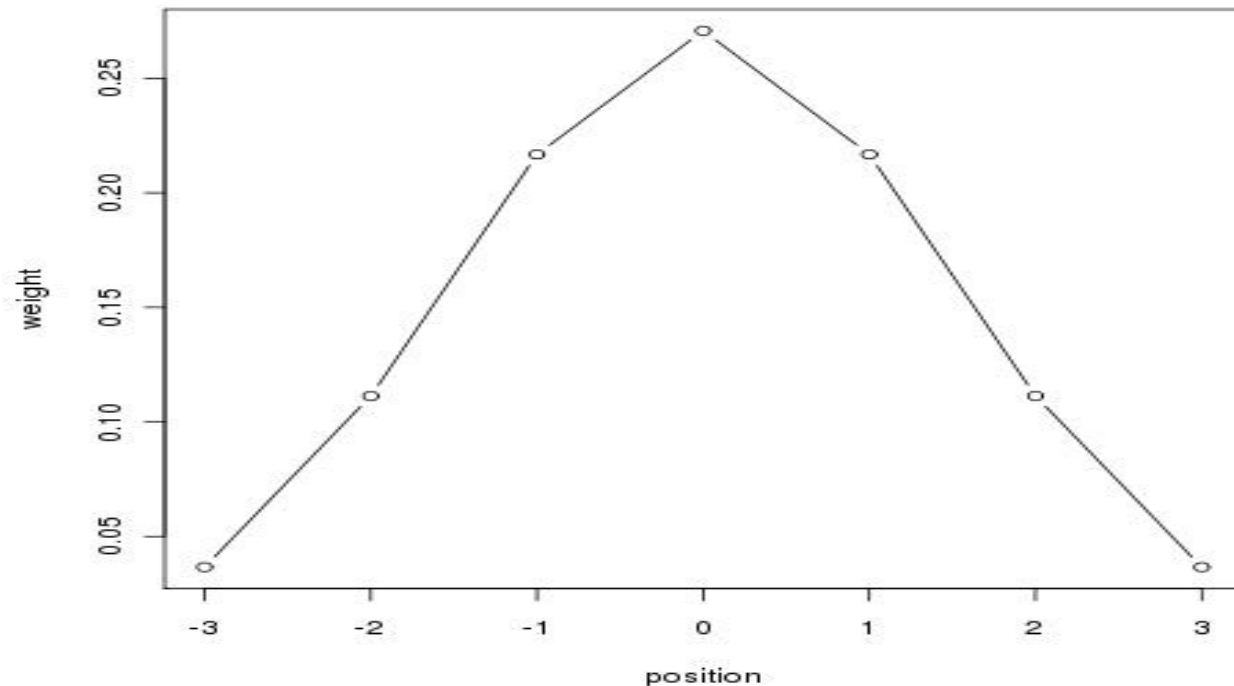
Smoothing

- Moving average
 - Calculated mean within a window



Smoothing

- Weighted moving average
 - Assign weights to different points within window
 - Weights should be symmetric and sum to 1

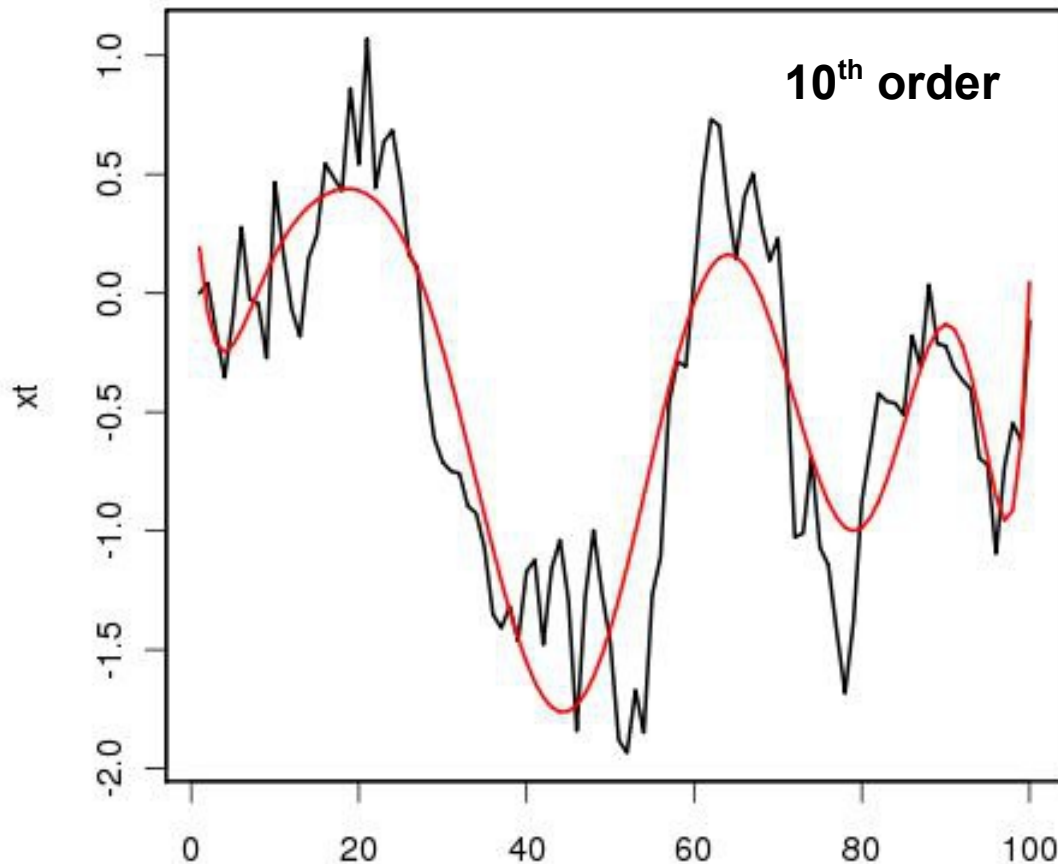


Smoothing

- Filtering
 - Assign weights to different points within window
 - Weights NEED NOT be symmetric and sum to 1
 - Generalization of Weighted Moving Average
 - R function: **filter(x,k)**
 - X = data
 - K = vector of weights (a.k.a. kernel)
 - e.g. k = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.2, 0.1)

Smoothing

- Polynomial Regression $Y(t) = \sum_0^k \beta_i t^i + \epsilon_t$
 - R: `lm(X ~ t + t^2 + t^3...)`

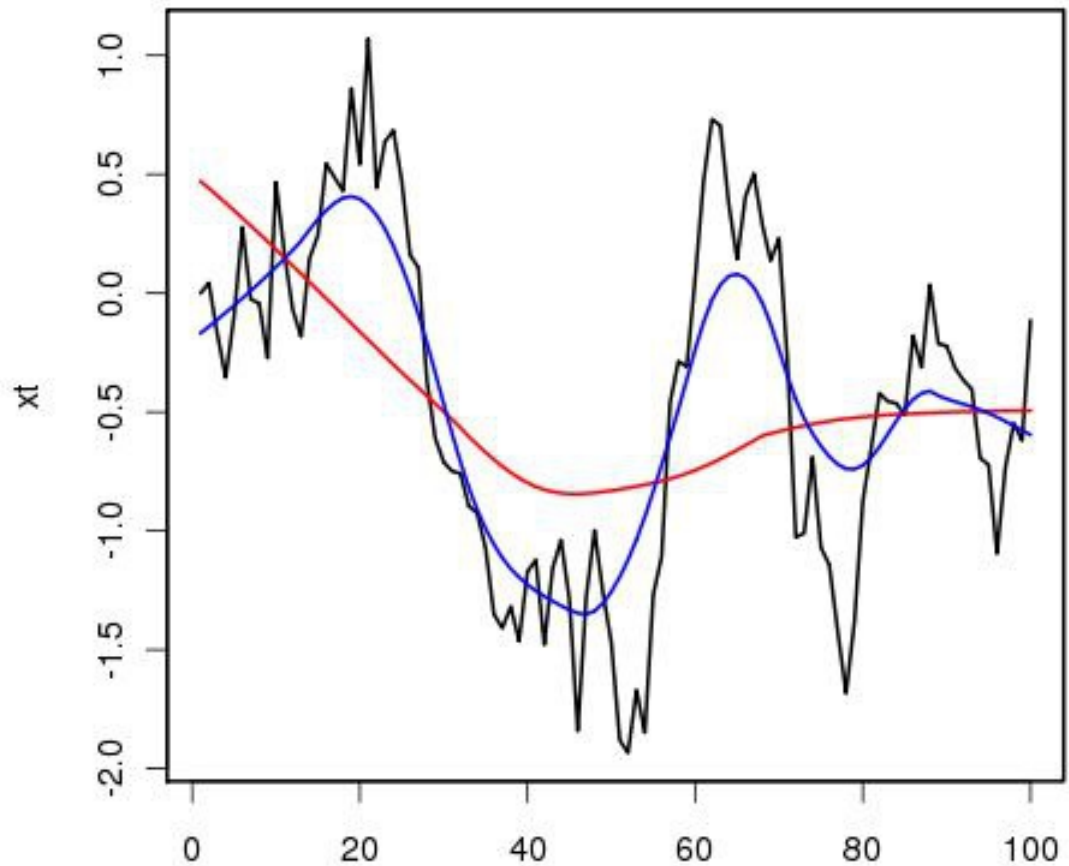


Smoothing

- LOESS / LOWESS (R: **lowess(x)**)
 - Local regression within a moving window
 - W = weighted

Window size

- 66%
- 25%



Detrending

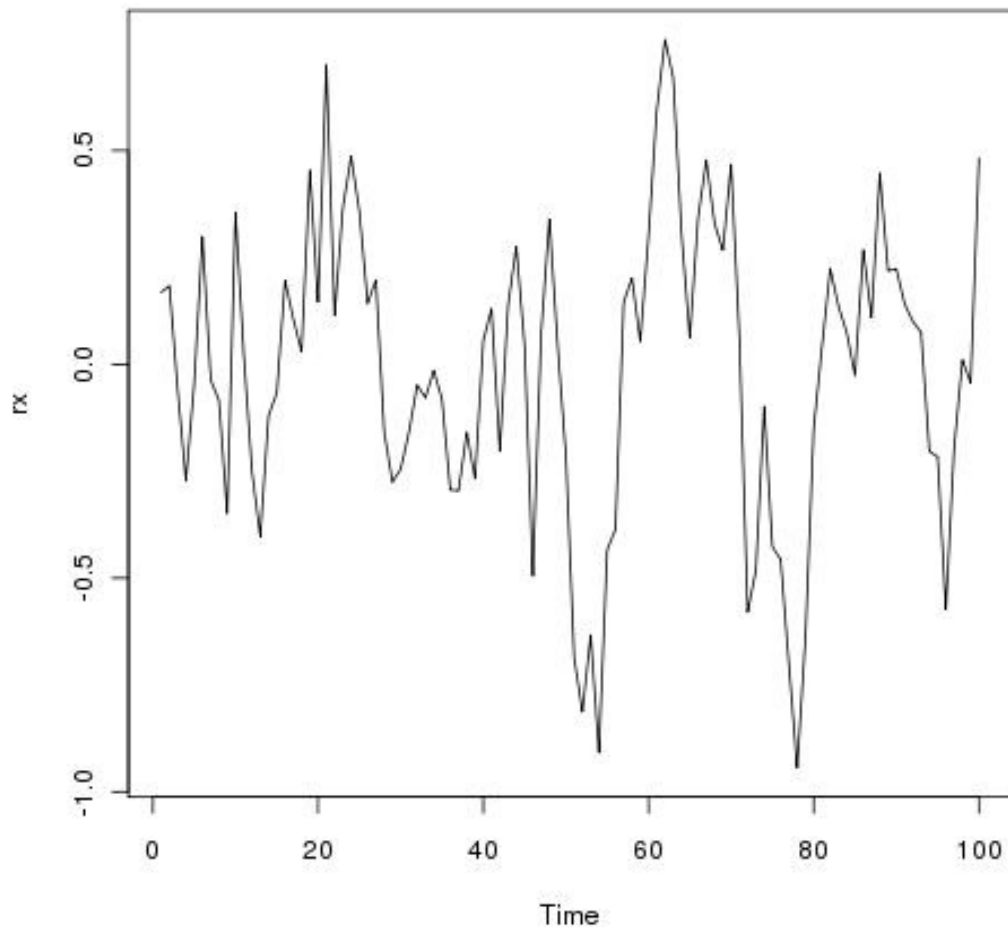
- To meet the assumption of stationarity the trends in data need to be removed
- For exploratory purposes:
 - Estimate trend (smoothing)
 - Calculate residuals
 - Analyze residuals as a time-series
- For Analysis:

$$Y(t) = \hat{\mu}(t) + \Omega(t)$$

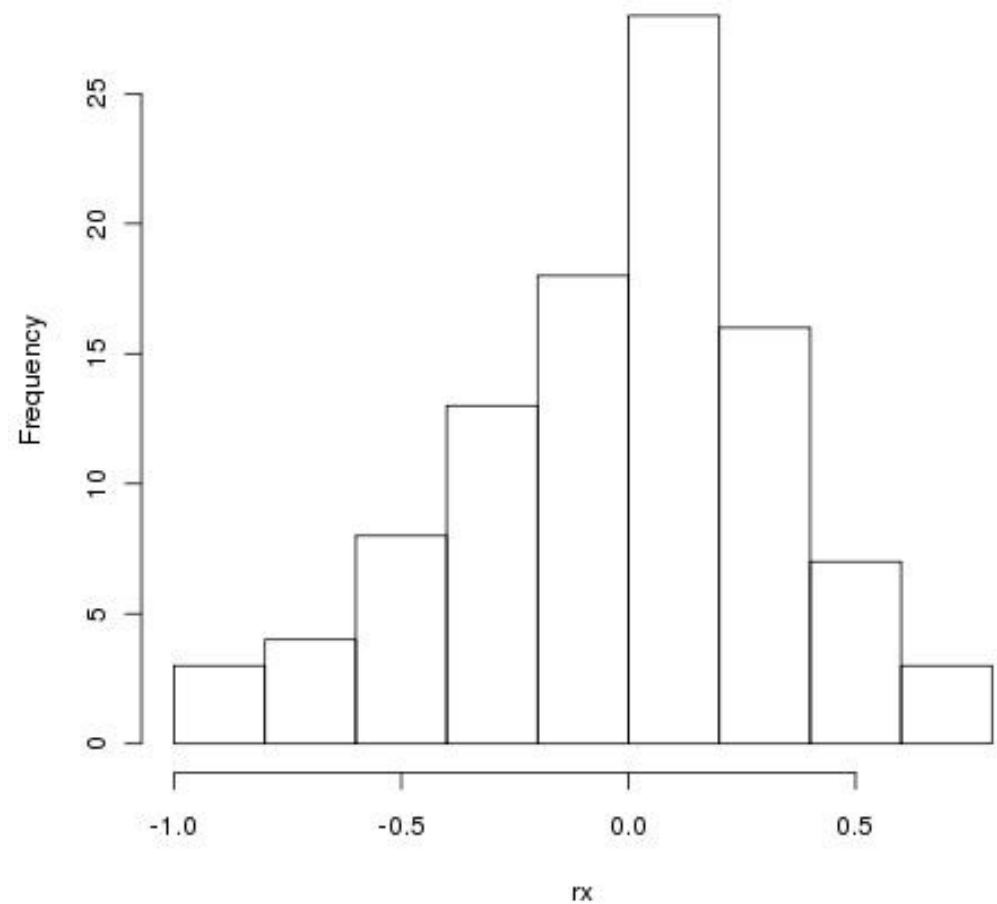
Trend

Autocorrelated
Error

LOWESS residuals



Histogram of rx

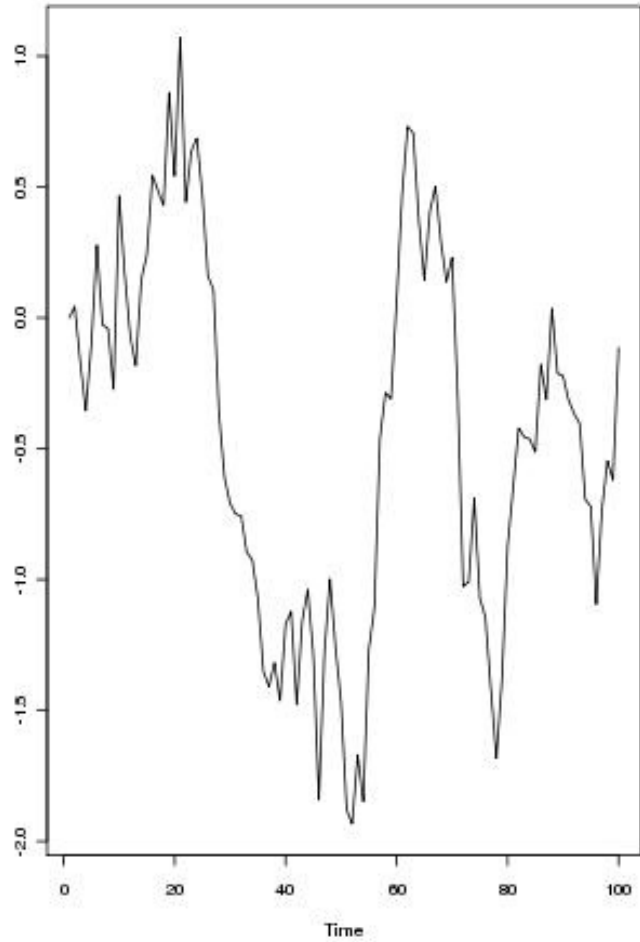


- Goal: stationarity
 - Normal with mean=0
 - Homoskedastic
 - Still autocorrelated is OK

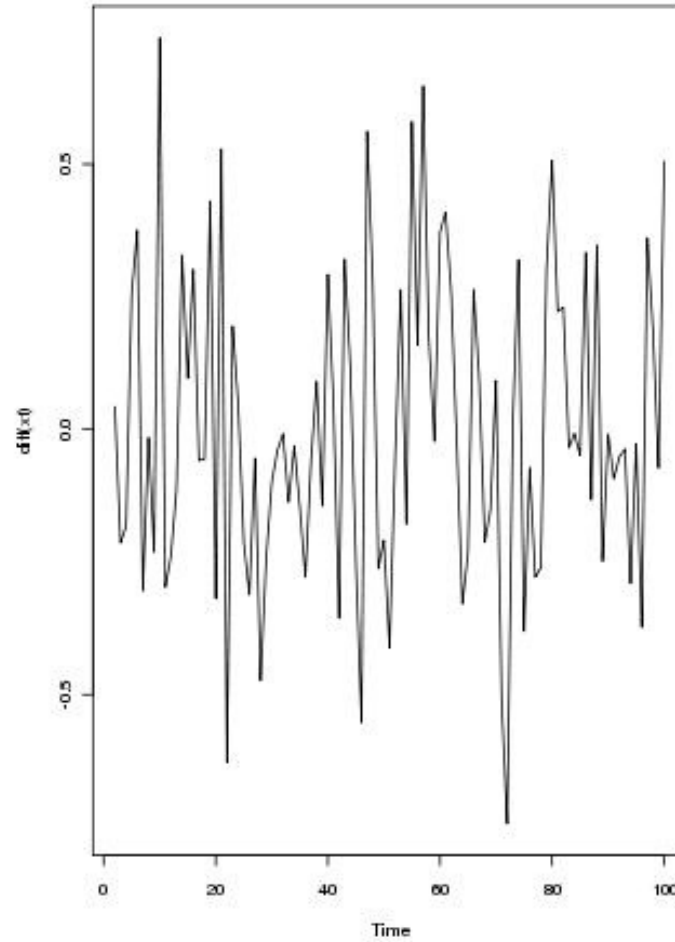
Differencing

- Can help detrend, increase stationarity
- Can increase understanding of process
 - Often model change in X rather than $X(t)$
- Sometimes not autocorrelated (Markov)
- Discrete approx to derivative
- First difference $\Delta X = X_t - X_{t-1}$
- Lagged difference $\Delta X = X_t - X_{t-n}$
- Second difference $\Delta X_t - \Delta X_{t-1}$

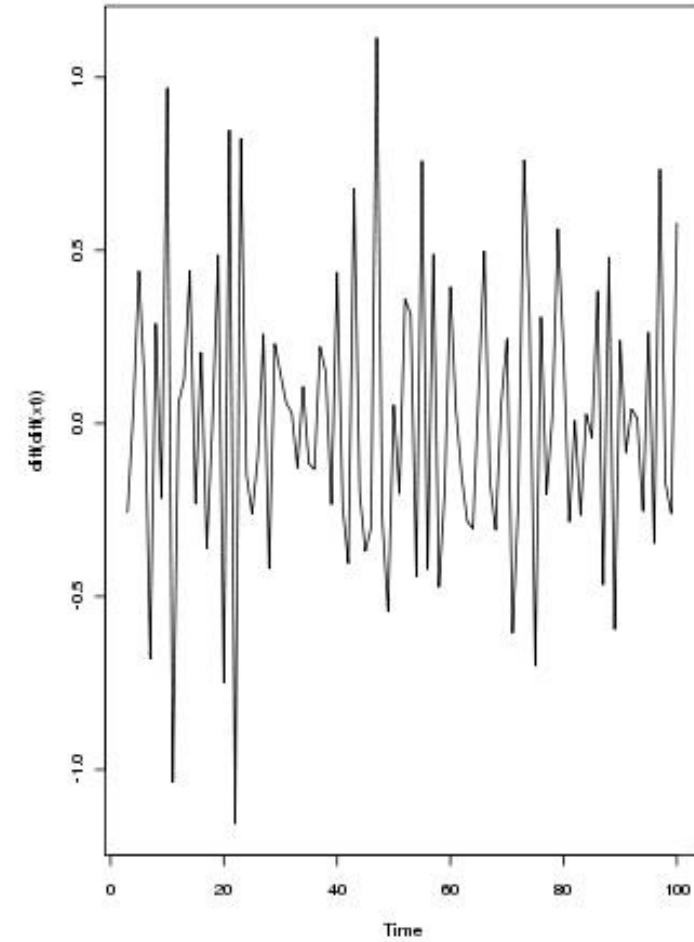
Original



First difference



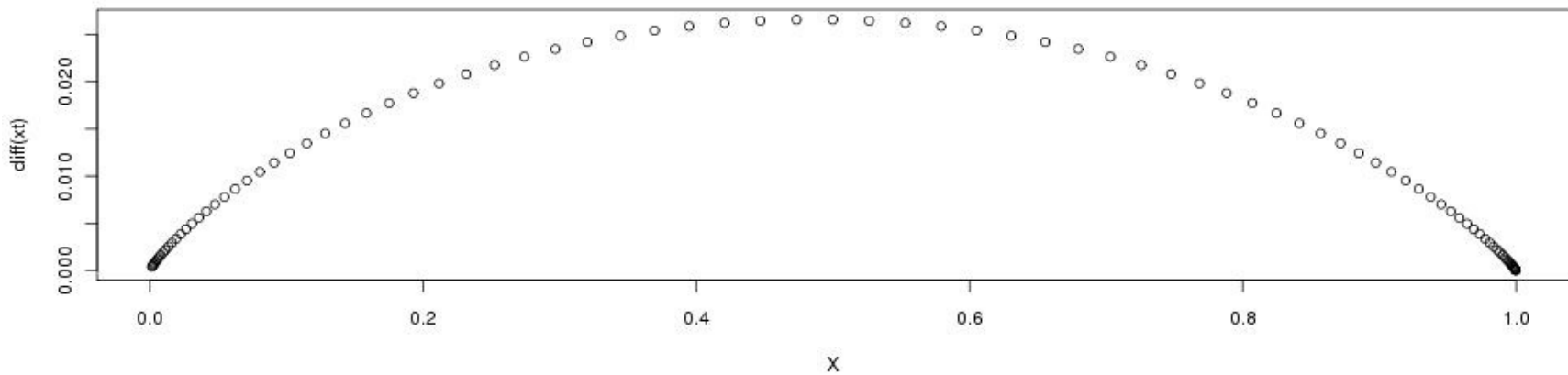
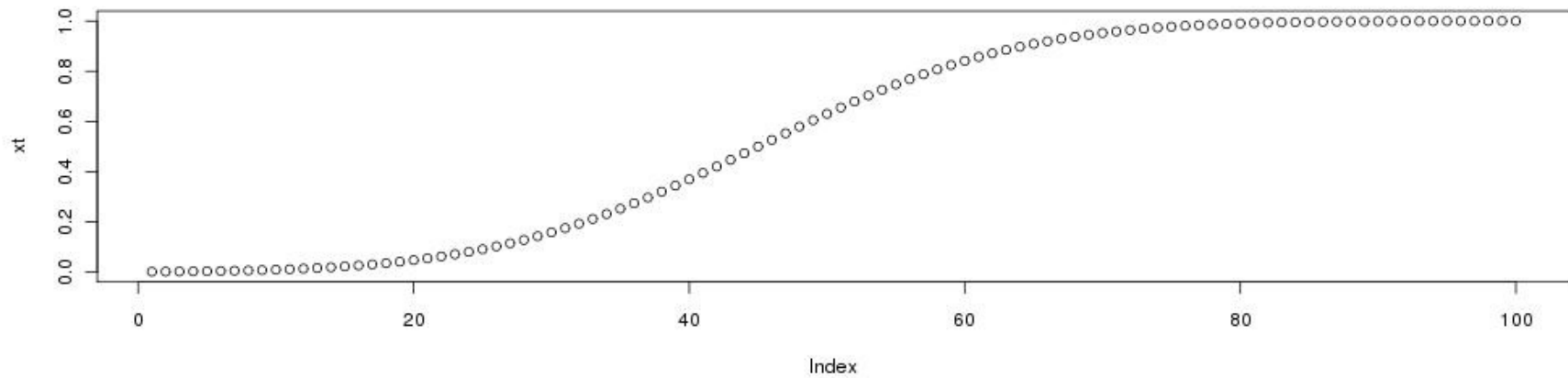
Second difference



- **R: `diff(x)`**

Density Dependence

- dN/dt changes with N
- Plot first difference vs N



Autocovariance

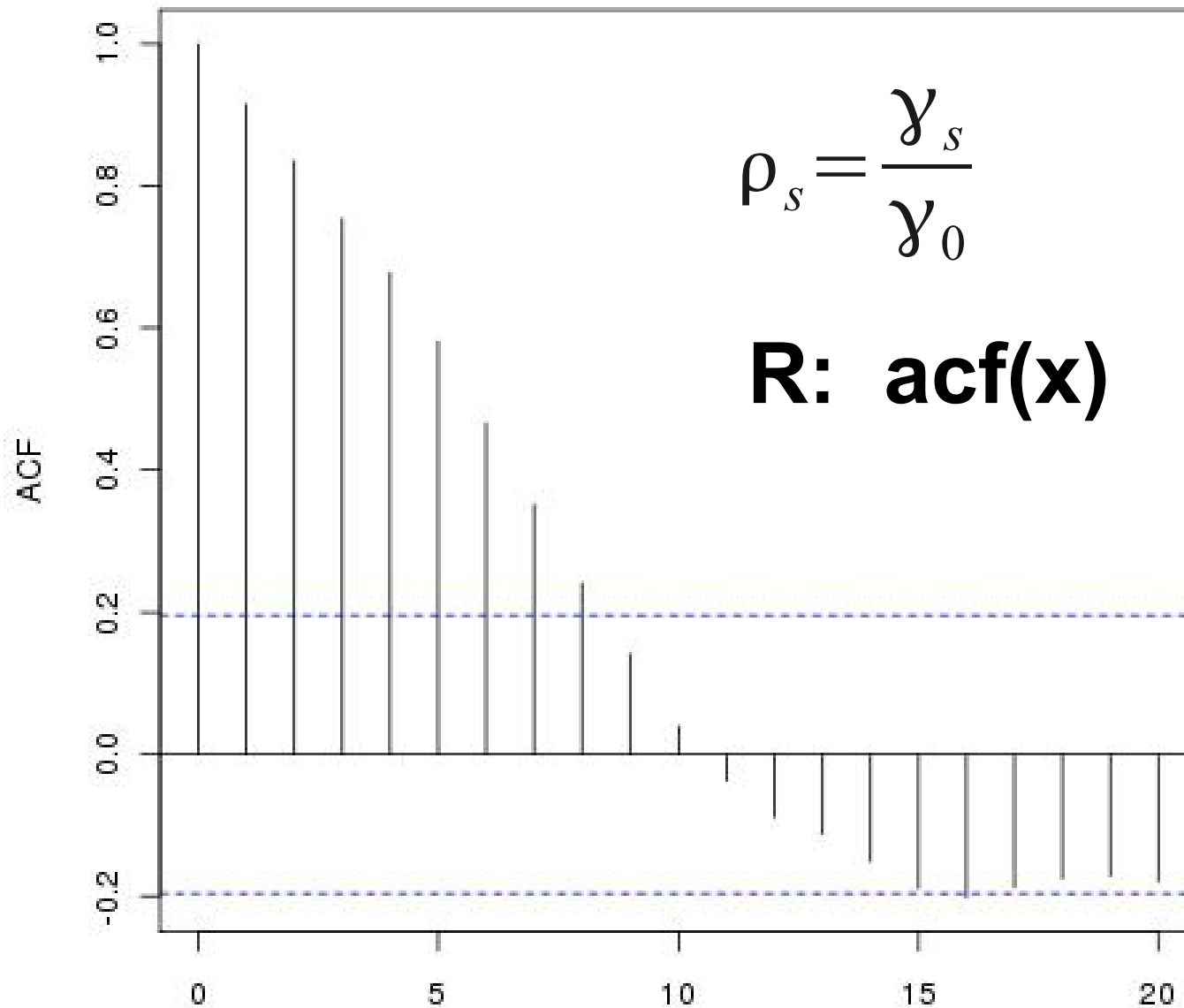
- Covariance between time-series and itself
- If 2nd order stationary, just a function of the lag

$$\gamma(t, s) = \gamma(|t - s|)$$

- Often written as $\gamma_s = Cov[Y_t, Y_s]$
- Special case: $\gamma_0 = Cov[Y_t, Y_t] = Var[Y_t]$
- Two time series can be related by their cross correlation:
 $\gamma_{XY, s} = Cov[X_t, Y_{t-s}]$

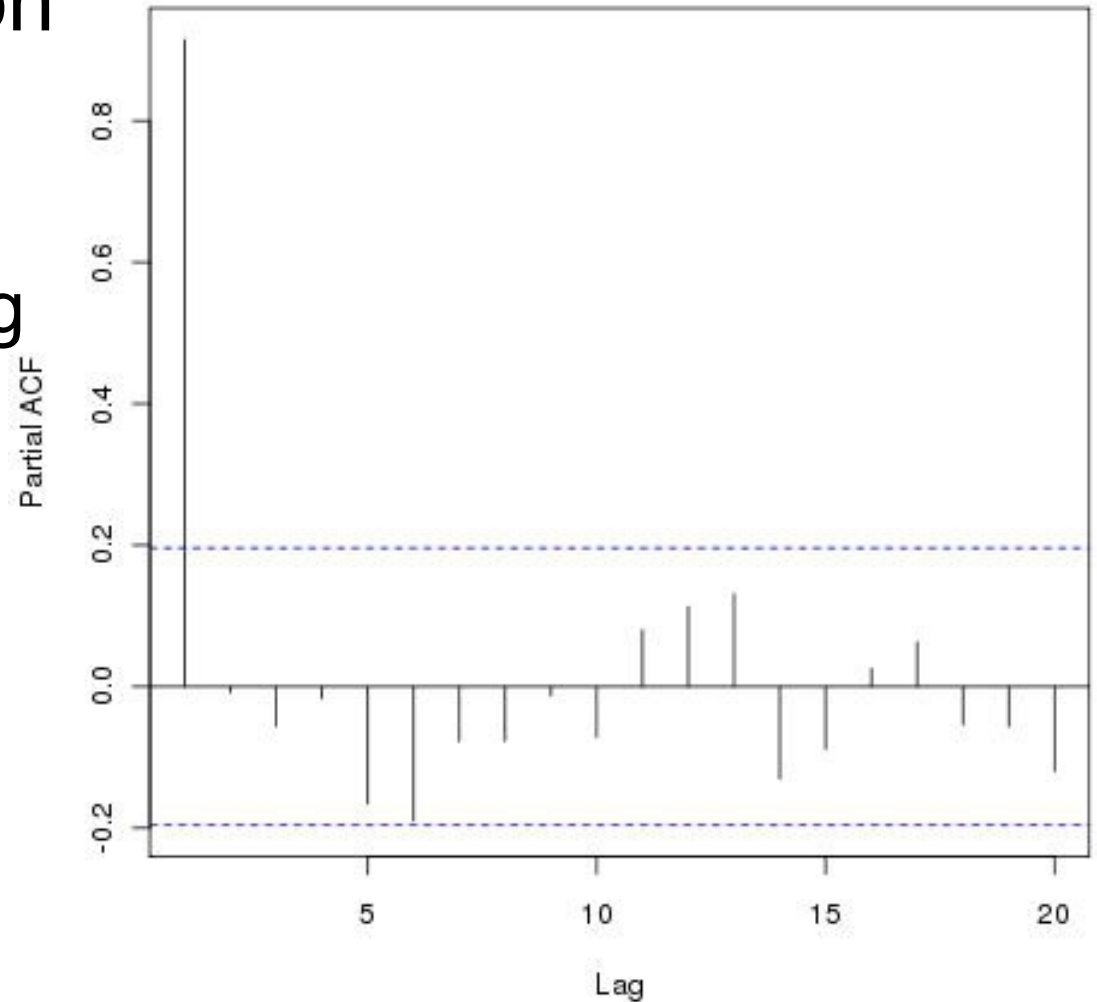
Autocorrelation

Correlogram



Partial and Cross-correlation

- Partial autocorrelation (R: **pacf(x)**)
 - Autocorrelation at lag s after accounting for correlation in lags up to $s-1$
- Cross-correlation (R: **ccf(x,y)**)
 - Correlation between $X(t)$ and $Y(t-s)$



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Classic Time Series Models

- Account for lack of independence in observations
 - Model the temporal error structure
- Make forecasts that account for autocorrelation

$$Y(t) = \hat{\mu}(t) + \Omega(t)$$

Trend

**Autocorrelated
error**

- Note: remaining slides assume trend = 0

ARIMA model

Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

- General case for classic frequentist time series
- Contains a number of important special cases
 - AR : Autoregressive models (p)
 - I : Integrated models (d)
 - MA : Moving average models (q)
 - ARMA: Autoregressive moving average
 - Gaussian white noise
- Models are named based on the *order* of the three terms

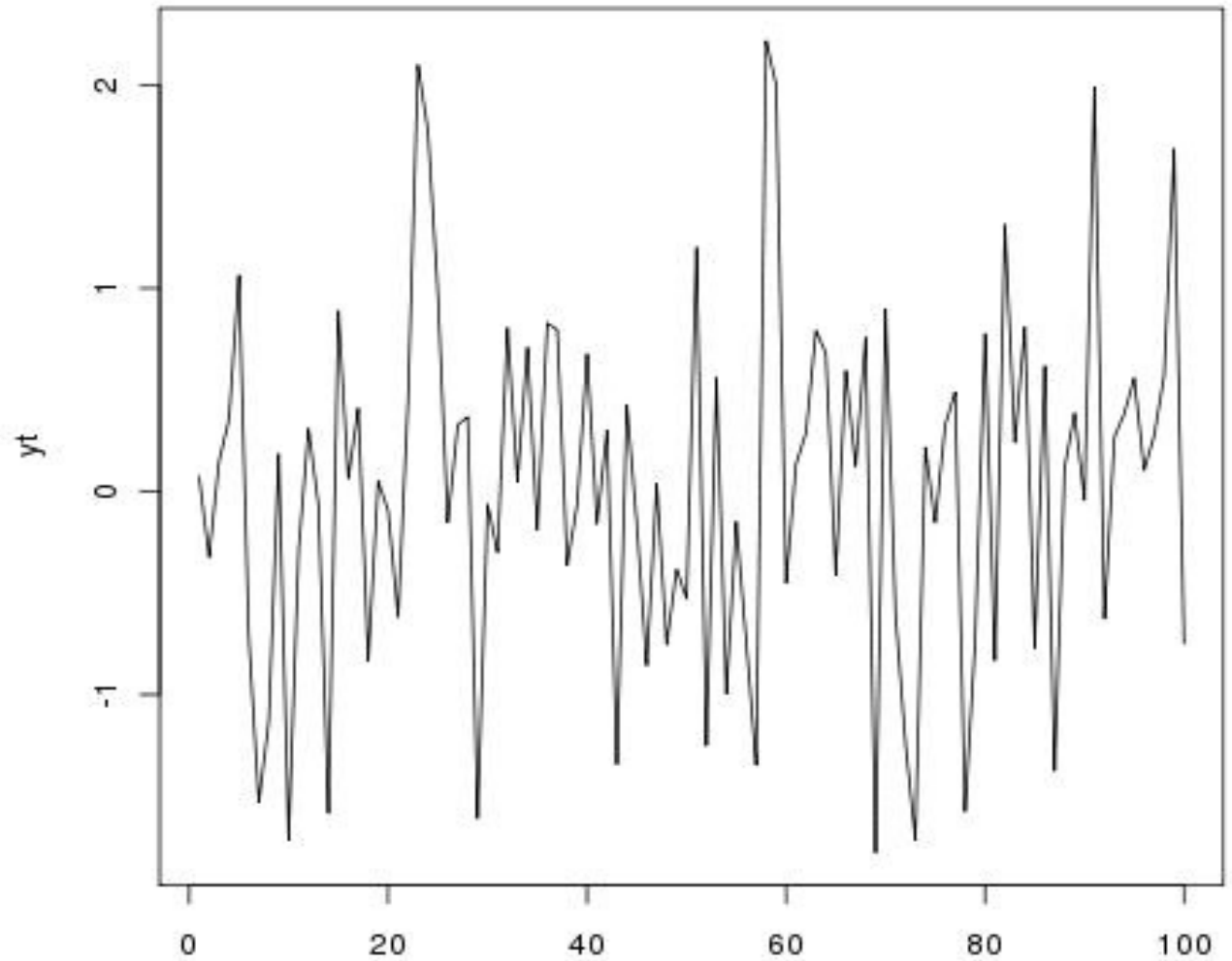
ARIMA(p,d,q)

Gaussian white noise

$$Y_t = \epsilon_t$$

- Mean 0
- Constant variance
- No autocorrelation

ARIMA(0,0,0)



Autoregressive Models: AR(p)

$$Y_t = \sum_{i=1}^p \rho_i Y_{t-i} + \epsilon_t$$

- Conceptually like fitting a linear regression against the last p values
- AR(1) = first-order Markov process = ARIMA(1,0,0)

$$E[Y_t] = Y_0 \rho^t$$

$$Var[Y_t] = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=0}^t \rho^{2i}$$

- If $\rho = 1$, AR(1) is a random walk
- If $\rho = 0$, AR(1) = AR(0) = white noise

Covariance matrices

- If $|\rho| < 1$ then as $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$E[Y_t] = Y_0 \rho^t \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Var}[Y_t] = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=0}^t \rho^{2i} \rightarrow \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \rho^2}$$

- The covariance at lag s then becomes

$$\gamma_s = \sigma^2 \frac{\rho^s}{1 - \rho^2}$$

Covariance matrices

- If we have a time series

$$\dots Y_{t-2} \quad Y_{t-1} \quad Y_t \quad Y_{t+1} \quad Y_{t+2} \quad \dots$$

- The covariance with Y_t is

$$\dots \gamma_2 \quad \gamma_1 \quad \gamma_0 \quad \gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2 \quad \dots$$

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{1-\rho^2} [\dots \rho^2 \quad \rho \quad 1 \quad \rho \quad \rho^2 \dots]$$

- Can do the same calculation for every Y_t

Covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = \sigma^2 R$$

$$R = \frac{1}{1 - \rho^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \rho^2 & \cdots & \rho^{t-1} \\ \rho & 1 & \rho & & \\ \rho^2 & \rho & 1 & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ \rho^{t-1} & & & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

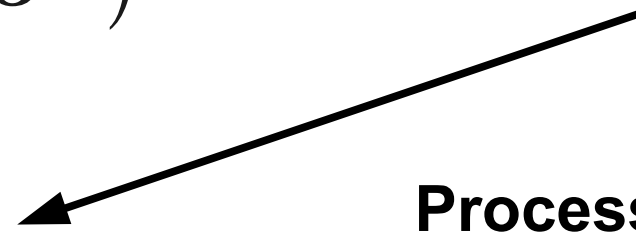
AR(1) in models

$$Y_t = \rho Y_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

$$\epsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$Y_t = \epsilon_t$$

$$\epsilon_t \sim N(0, \Sigma)$$

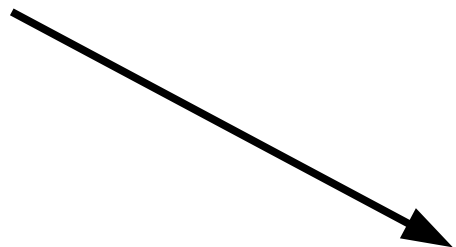


$$\mu = 0$$

$$Y_t \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

Process Model [trend]

Data Model [AR(1)]



$$\mu = X\beta + \alpha$$

$$Y_t \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\mu = f(X, \theta)$$

$$Y_t \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

Moving Average Models: MA(q)

$$Y_t = \sum_{j=1}^q a_j \epsilon_{t-j} + \epsilon_t$$

- Lags on the errors instead of the Y's
- Equivalent to regression on the residuals
- Is related to the weighted moving average approach to smoothing
 - Coefficients fit rather than assumed
- MA(q) = ARIMA(0,0,q)

ARMA(p,q)

$$Y_t = \sum_{i=1}^p \rho_i Y_{t-i} + \epsilon_t + \sum_{j=1}^q a_j \epsilon_{t-j}$$

- Combines both Autoregressive and Moving Average components
- $ARMA(p,q) = ARIMA(p,0,q)$

Integrated Model: I(d)

$$\Delta^d Y_t = \epsilon_t$$

- Models the dth difference of Y rather than modeling Y
- Simplest case assumes dth difference is stationary (mean 0, constant variance)
- As mentioned before
 - Differences approximate derivatives
 - Biologically may expect these to follow some process model (e.g. Density dependence)
- I(d) = ARIMA(0,d,0)

ARIMA(p,d,q)

Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

- General case for classic frequentist time series, work just as well in Bayesian context
- Extensible to dealing with autocor in data models
- Contains a number of important special cases
 - $AR(p) = ARIMA(p,0,0)$
 - $MA(q) = ARIMA(0,0,q)$
 - $I(d) = ARIMA(0,d,0)$
 - $ARMA(p,q) = ARIMA(p,0,q)$
 - Gaussian white noise = $ARIMA(0,0,0)$

How do you set p,d,q

- Exploratory analyses
 - Partial Autocorrelation function (pacf)
 - Differencing (diff)
 - Weighted moving average smoothing (filter)
- Model Selection
 - AIC, LRT, DIC, etc.
 - R function **arima(X,c(p,d,q))** returns AIC
 - R function **ar(X)** automatically finds the p with the lowest AIC