

Week 5:

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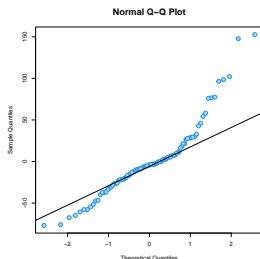
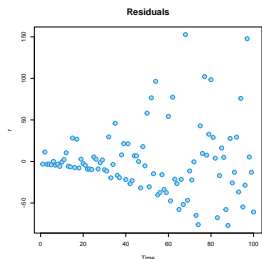
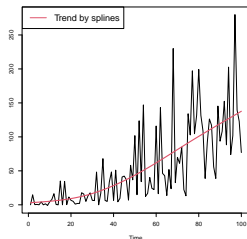
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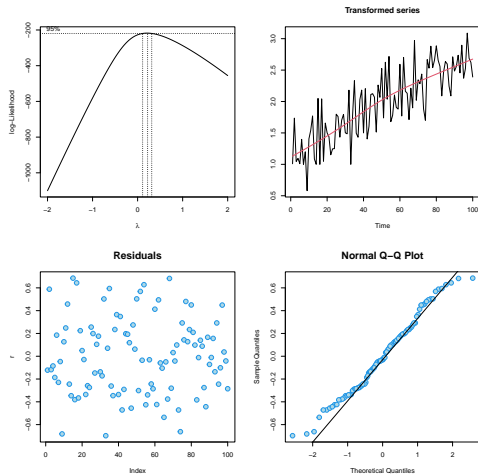
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$$l(\lambda) = \max_{\beta, \sigma^2} l(\lambda, \beta, \sigma^2) = \text{const} - \frac{n}{2} \log \text{SSE}(\lambda) + (\lambda - 1) \sum_{t=1}^n \log Y_t$$

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- ▶ $\min Y_t = -0.93 \rightsquigarrow c = 1$, MLE $\rightsquigarrow \hat{\lambda} = 0.2 \rightsquigarrow g(Y_t) = (Y_t + 1)^{1/5}$
- ▶ analyze $\{g(Y_t)\} \rightsquigarrow$ prediction interval for $g(Y_{n+1}) \rightsquigarrow$ prediction interval for Y_{n+1}

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For g_λ :

$$g'_\lambda(y) = y^{\lambda-1},$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} (EY)^{2(\lambda-1)} \text{Var } Y &\approx k^2 \\ \sqrt{\text{Var } Y} &\approx k(EY)^{1-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

And similar relationship should be observed for the sample counterparts (SD and MEAN)

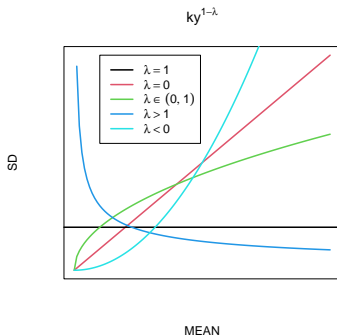
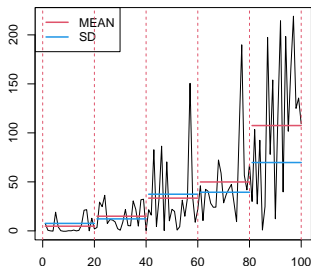
Approximate methods for λ (cont.)

1. divide data into J segments of the same length
2. compute $s_Y(j)$, $\bar{Y}(j)$ for $j = 1, \dots, J$ from $Y_t + c$
3. plot $(\bar{Y}(j), s_Y(j))$ and try to determine approximate λ from

$$s_Y(j) \approx k \cdot (\bar{Y}(j))^{1-\lambda}$$

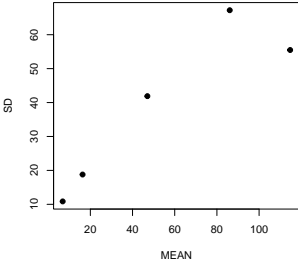
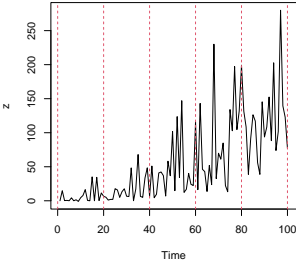
for some $k > 0$

4. typically one takes $\hat{\lambda} \in \{0, 1, 1/2, -1/2\}$

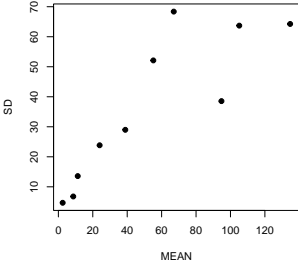
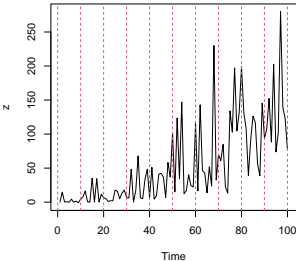


Example

J=5



J=10



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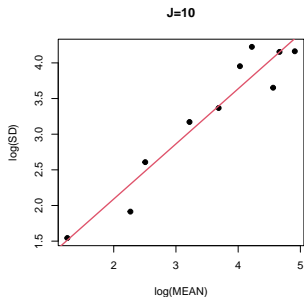
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$$\hat{\lambda} = 1 - 0.77 = 0.23$$

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Most popular transformations

- ↔ $\lambda = 1$: no transformation
- ↔ $\lambda = 0$: log transformation

Tests of randomness

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$$H_0 : Y_t \sim \text{iid}$$

against

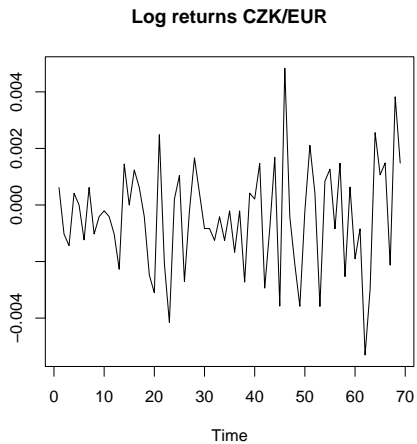
H_1 : either Y_t not independent, or Y_t not id

Why?

- ▶ plot: no presence of any systematic component
- ▶ apply this on $\widehat{E}_t = Y_t - \widehat{T}r_t - \widehat{S}_t - \widehat{C}_t$

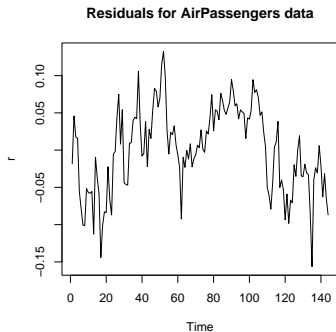
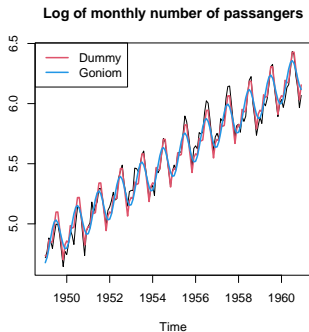
H_1 very broad \rightsquigarrow various tests

Example I

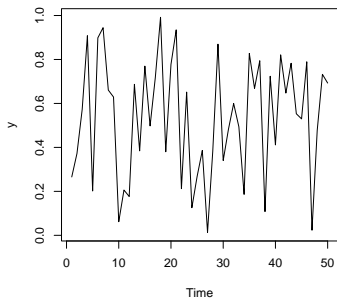


Example II

Air Passengers data: $Y_t = \beta_1 t + \sum_{j=1}^{12} \gamma_j \cdot I(\text{month}_t = j) + E_t$



Example III: Is my pseudo random generator good?



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Discussed tests:

1. based on signs of differences
2. based on turning points
3. based on runs (median test)
4. based on Kendall's tau
5. based on Spearman's rho
6. tools based on ACF

Discussion: **Usefulness of such tests?**

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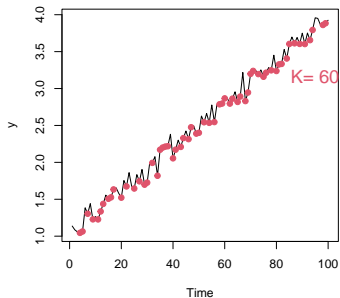
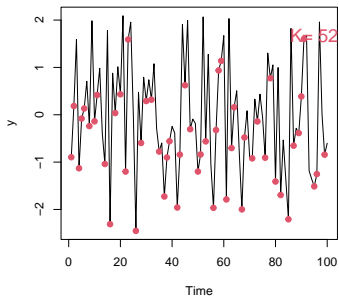
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- ↪ K_n is a sum of (dependent) variables \rightsquigarrow CLT might give us asymptotics

Illustration

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If $s + 1 < t$, then V_s and V_t independent $\rightsquigarrow \text{Cov}(V_s, V_t) = 0$.

If $s + 1 = t$, then

$$\text{Cov}(V_s, V_t) = E I[Y_s < Y_{s+1} < Y_{s+2}] - \frac{1}{4} \stackrel{H_0:iid}{=} \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{12},$$

so

$$\text{Var } K_n = \frac{n-1}{4} - 2 \frac{n-2}{12} = \frac{n+1}{12}.$$

Asymptotic distribution

It holds that

$$\frac{K_n - \mathbb{E}K_n}{\sqrt{\text{Var } K_n}} = \frac{K_n - \frac{n-1}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{n+1}{12}}} \xrightarrow{D} \mathbf{N}(0, 1).$$

↪ Justification: CLT for m -dependent processes.

↪ Equivalent versions of the test statistic

Test:

$$\text{If } \frac{\left| K_n - \frac{n-1}{2} \right|}{\sqrt{\frac{n+1}{12}}} > u_{1-\alpha/2} \Rightarrow \text{reject } H_0$$

2. Test Based on Turning Points

$$V_t = \begin{cases} 1 & Y_{t-1} < Y_t, Y_t > Y_{t+1} \text{ or } Y_{t-1} > Y_t, Y_t < Y_{t+1}, \\ 0 & Y_{t-1} < Y_t < Y_{t+1} \text{ or } Y_{t-1} > Y_t > Y_{t+1} \end{cases}$$

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$$R_n = \sum_{t=2}^{n-1} V_t$$

the total number of upper and lower turning points

Idea of the test: Reject if R_n differs "too much" from its expectation under H_0 (i.e. R_n "too extreme")

- ↪ tables for exact distribution exist
- ↪ R_n asymptotically normal (again use CLT for m -dependent)
- ↪ we need to compute $ER_n, \text{Var } R_n$

Moments of R_n

Now

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Similar computations as for K_n give

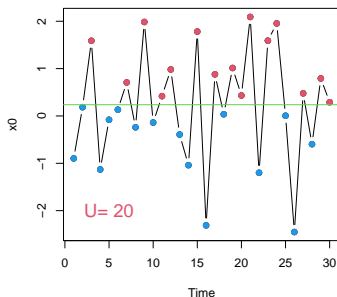
$$\text{Var } R_n = \frac{16n - 29}{90}.$$

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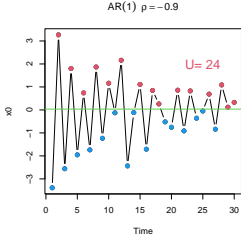
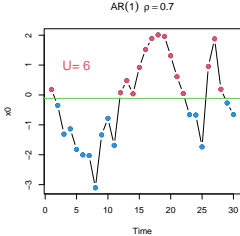
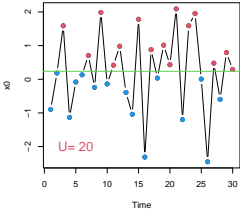
3. Test Based on Runs (Median Test)

- ▶ M median of Y_1, \dots, Y_n
- ▶ U_n is number of runs



Idea of the test: Reject if U_n "too extreme"

Illustration



Asymptotic distribution

It is possible to show

$$EU_n = m + 1, \quad \text{Var } U_n = \frac{m(m-1)}{2m-1},$$

where $m = \sum_{t=1}^n I[Y_t > M]$ ($m = n/2$ if n even), and

$$\frac{U_n - EU_n}{\sqrt{\text{Var } U_n}} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1).$$

Reject if

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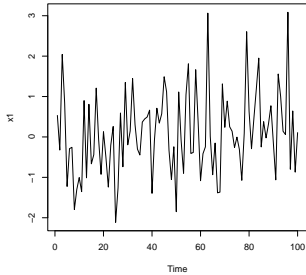
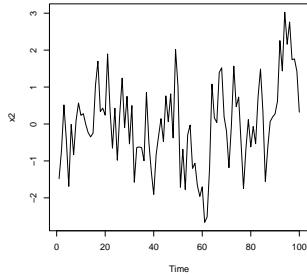
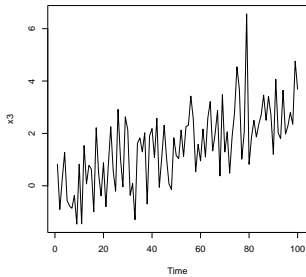
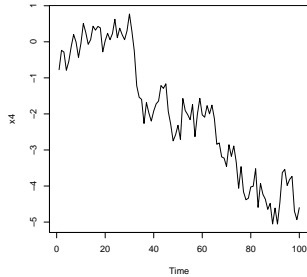
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IID	5	4	5	6	5	6	6	5	6
AR	6	5	6	43	67	91	79	96	100
LT	7	6	6	6	6	5	58	85	99
RW	24	25	27	78	95	100	100	100	100

\rightsquigarrow back to the critics of the tests....

IID**AR****Linear Trend****Random Walk**

Kendall's τ and Spearman's ρ

Consider iid random vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_1 \\ V_1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} U_n \\ V_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Pearson's correlation $\rho = \text{cor}(U_i, V_i)$ estimated by

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (U_i - \bar{U}_n)(V_i - \bar{V}_n)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (U_i - \bar{U}_n)^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (V_i - \bar{V}_n)^2}}$$

- ▶ Kendall's τ $\tau = P(U_i < V_i) - P(U_i > V_i)$

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$$\hat{\tau} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \text{sgn}(U_i - U_j) \text{sgn}(V_i - V_j)$$

- ▶ Spearman's ρ

$$\rho_S = \text{cor}(F_U(U_i), F_V(V_i))$$

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$$\hat{\rho}_S = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (R_i - \bar{R}_n)(S_i - \bar{S}_n)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (R_i - \bar{R}_n)^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (S_i - \bar{S}_n)^2}} = 1 - \frac{6}{n^2(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n (R_i - S_i)^2,$$

where R_i and S_i are ranks of U_i and V_i respectively.

- ▶ U_i and V_i **independent** $\rightsquigarrow \rho = \tau = \rho_S = 0$

4. and 5. Tests Based on τ and ρ_S

Idea of the test: Compute correlation between $U_i = Y_i$ and $V_i = i$

$$\hat{\tau} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \text{sgn}(Y_i - Y_j) = \frac{4}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} I(Y_i - Y_j),$$

$$\hat{\rho}_S = 1 - \frac{6}{n^2(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n (R_i - i)^2$$

where R_1, \dots, R_n are ranks of Y_1, \dots, Y_n

Asymptotic tests: Compare

$$\frac{|\hat{\tau}|}{\sqrt{\frac{2(2n+5)}{9n(n-1)}}} \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{n-1} |\hat{\rho}_S|$$

with $u_{1-\alpha/2}$, and reject for large values

Simulations

$N = 1\,000$ replications \rightsquigarrow percentage of rejection of H_0

n	τ			ρ_S		
	50	100	200	50	100	200
IID	5	5	6	5	5	6
AR	34	29	33	34	30	33
LT	100	100	100	100	100	100
RW	81	85	90	82	85	91

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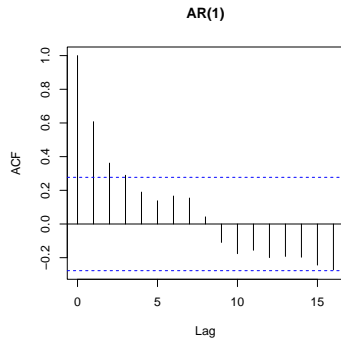
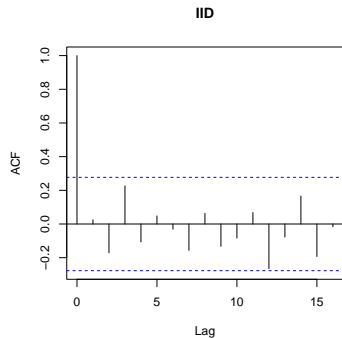
If $\{Y_t\}$ iid $\rightsquigarrow \rho_k = 0$ for $k \neq 0$

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$$r_k = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{n-k} (Y_t - \bar{Y}_n)(Y_{t+k} - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sum_{t=1}^n (Y_t - \bar{Y}_n)^2}$$

If $\{Y_t\}$ iid $\rightsquigarrow \sqrt{nr_k} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$, i.e. $r_k \sim N(0, 1/n)$ for large n

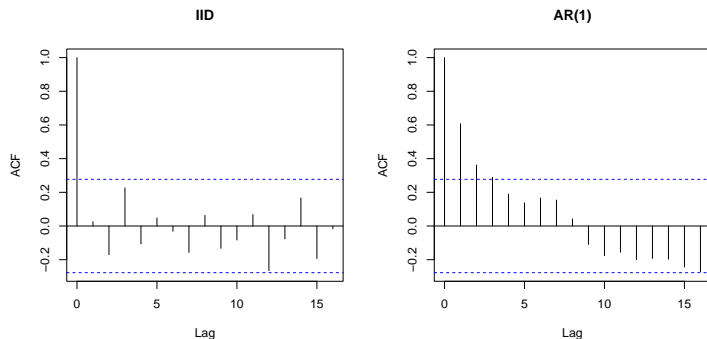
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Under H_0 : r_k lies outside $\left(-\frac{u_{0.975}}{\sqrt{n}}, \frac{u_{0.975}}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ with asymptotic probability 5% for each $k \geq 1$, independently

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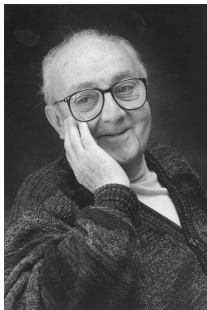
$$Q^* = n(n+2) \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{r_k^2}{n-k}$$

If $\{Y_t\}$ are residuals from an ARMA model \rightsquigarrow modify the degrees of freedom

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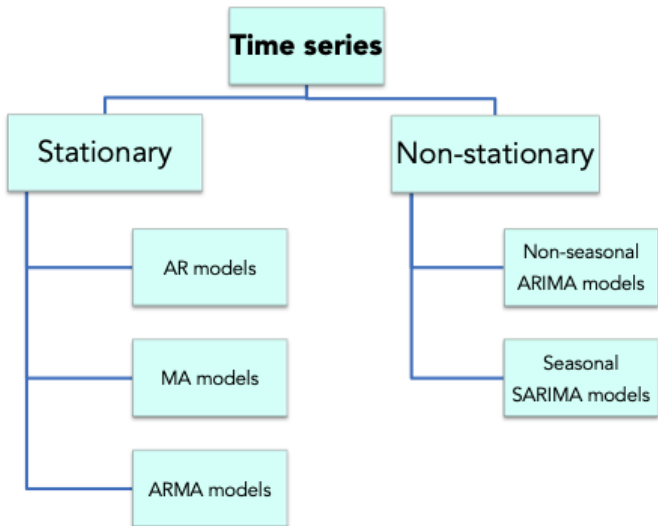
- ▶ AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA) models
- ▶ 1970s, popularized by Box and Jenkins
- ▶ rely on autocorrelation patterns in the data



George E. P. Box
1919 – 2013



Gwilym M. Jenkins
1932 – 1982



Notions and definitions

Time series $\{Y_t\}$

- ▶ strict stationarity
- ▶ (weak) stationarity
- ▶ white noise WN
- ▶ autocovariance function $\{\gamma_k\}$
- ▶ autocorrelation function (ACF) $\{\rho_k\}$
- ▶ partial autocorrelation function (PACF) $\{\rho_{kk}\}$

Sample counterparts

- ▶ sample mean
- ▶ sample autocovariance function $\{c_k\}$
- ▶ sample ACF $\{r_k\}$
- ▶ sample PACF $\{r_{kk}\}$

Practical recommendation: $n > 50$, $k < n/4$