

Forecasting: principles and practice

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2.4 Non-seasonal ARIMA models

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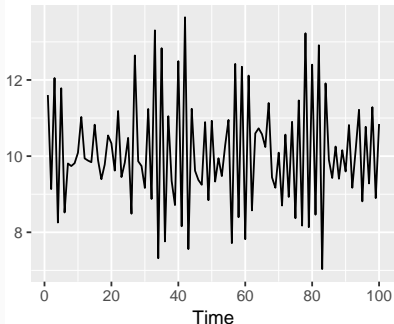
Autoregressive models

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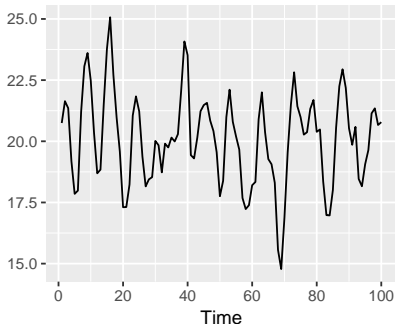
$$y_t = c + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + e_t,$$

where e_t is white noise. This is a multiple regression with **lagged values** of y_t as predictors.

AR(1)



AR(2)

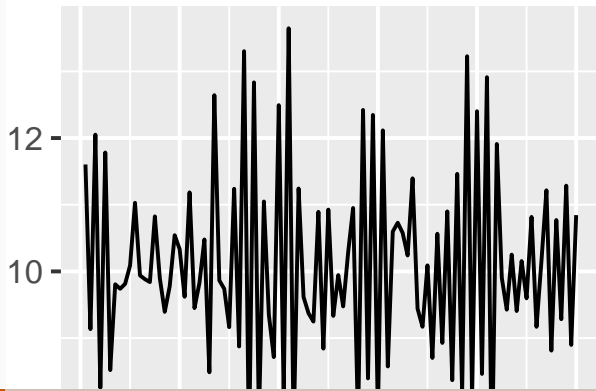


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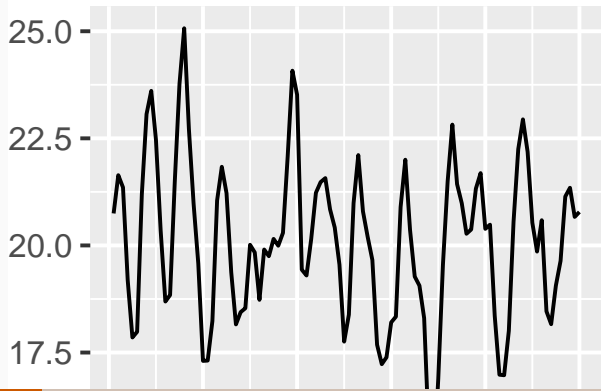
- When $\phi_1 = 0$, y_t is **equivalent to WN**
- When $\phi_1 = 1$ and $c = 0$, y_t is **equivalent to a RW**
- When $\phi_1 = 1$ and $c \neq 0$, y_t is **equivalent to a RW with drift**
- When $\phi_1 < 0$, y_t tends to **oscillate between positive and negative values.**

AR(2) model

$$y_t = 8 + 1.3y_{t-1} - 0.7y_{t-2} + e_t$$

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AR(2)



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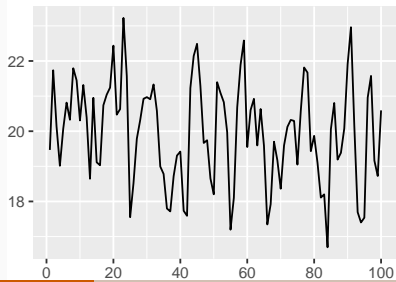
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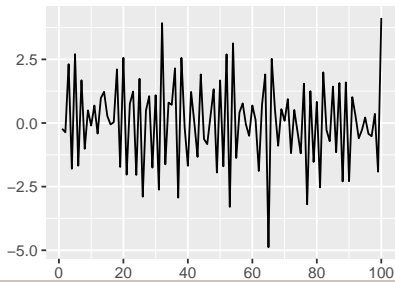
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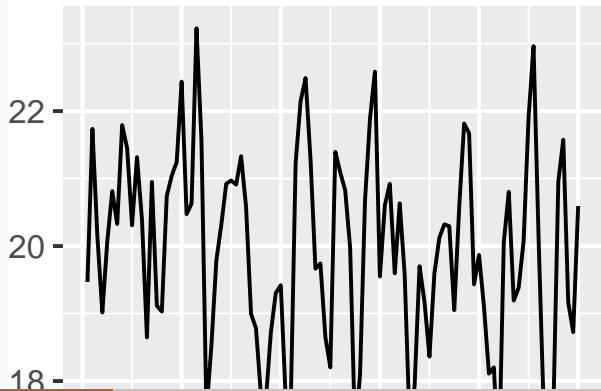


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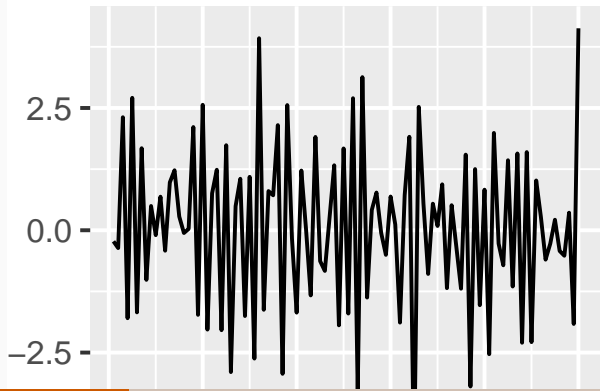


MA(2) model

$$y_t = e_t - e_{t-1} + 0.8e_{t-2}$$

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MA(2)



Invertibility

- Any $MA(q)$ process can be written as an $AR(\infty)$ process if we impose some constraints on the MA parameters.
- Then the MA model is called “invertible”.
- Invertible models have some mathematical properties that make them easier to use in practice.
- Invertibility of an ARIMA model is equivalent to forecastability of an ETS model.

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- Combine ARMA model with **differencing**.
- $(1 - B)^d y_t$ follows an ARMA model.

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Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average models

ARIMA(p, d, q) model

AR: p = order of the autoregressive part

I: d = degree of first differencing involved

MA: q = order of the moving average part.

- White noise model: ARIMA(0,0,0)
- Random walk: ARIMA(0,1,0) with no constant
- Random walk with drift: ARIMA(0,1,0) with const.
- AR(p): ARIMA($p,0,0$)

Backshift notation for ARIMA

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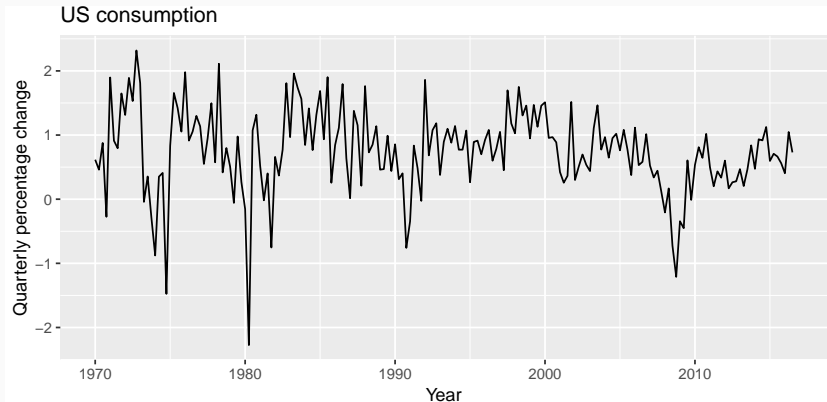
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Written out:

$$y_t = c + y_{t-1} + \phi_1 y_{t-1} - \phi_1 y_{t-2} + \theta_1 e_{t-1} + e_t$$

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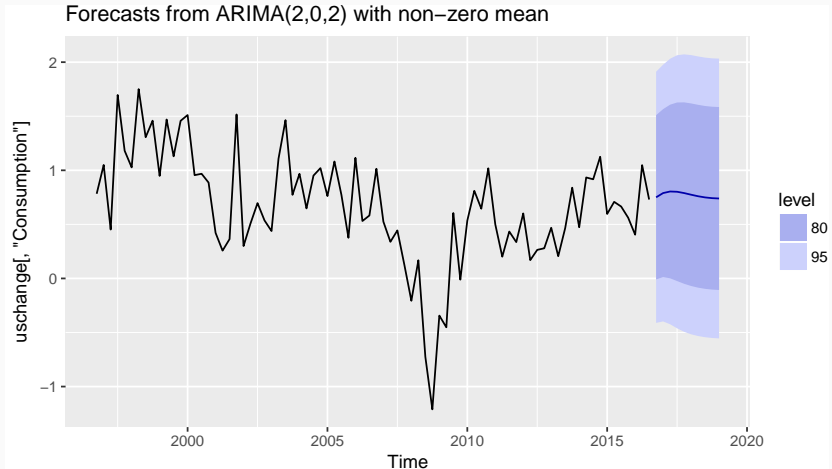
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ARIMA(0,0,3) or MA(3) model:

$$y_t = 0.756 + e_t + 0.254e_{t-1} + 0.226e_{t-2} + 0.269e_{t-3},$$

US personal consumption

```
fit %>% forecast(h=10) %>% autoplot(include=80
```



Understanding ARIMA models

- If $c = 0$ and $d = 0$, the long-term forecasts will go to zero.
- If $c = 0$ and $d = 1$, the long-term forecasts will go to a non-zero constant.
- If $c = 0$ and $d = 2$, the long-term forecasts will follow a straight line.
- If $c \neq 0$ and $d = 0$, the long-term forecasts will go to the mean of the data.
- If $c \neq 0$ and $d = 1$, the long-term forecasts will follow a straight line.

Understanding ARIMA models

Forecast variance and d

- The higher the value of d , the more rapidly the prediction intervals increase in size.
- For $d = 0$, the long-term forecast standard deviation will go to the standard deviation of the historical data.

Cyclic behaviour

- For cyclic forecasts, $p > 2$ and some restrictions on coefficients are required.
- If $p = 2$, we need $\phi_1^2 + 4\phi_2 < 0$. Then average cycle of length

$$(2\pi) / [\arccos(-\phi_1(1 - \phi_2)/(4\phi_2))] .$$

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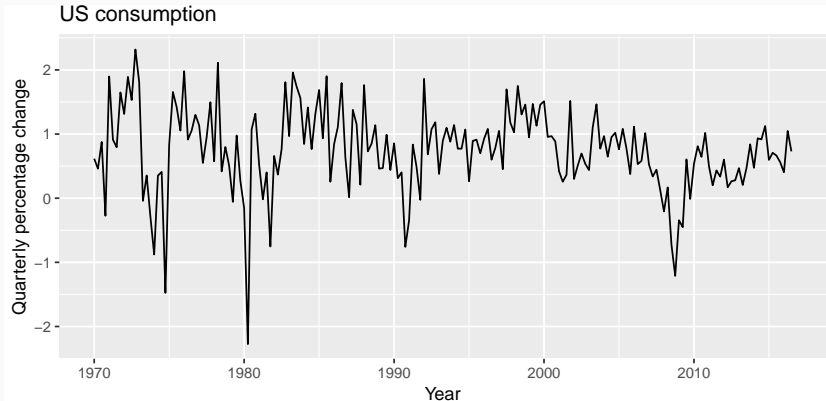
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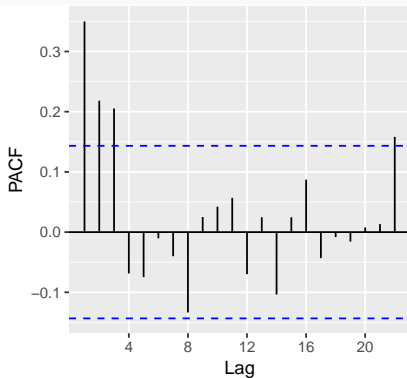
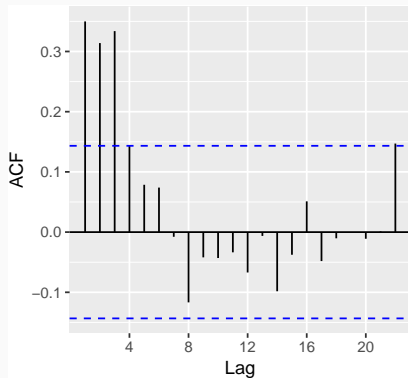
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- Varying number of terms on RHS gives α_k for different values of k .
- There are more efficient ways of calculating α_k .
- $\alpha_1 = \rho_1$

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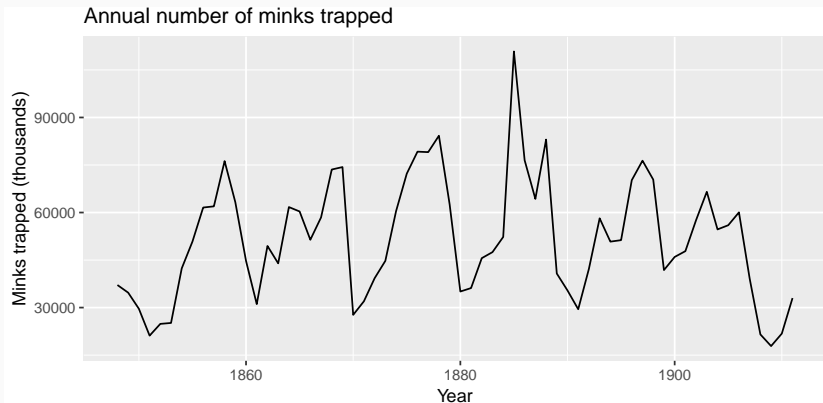
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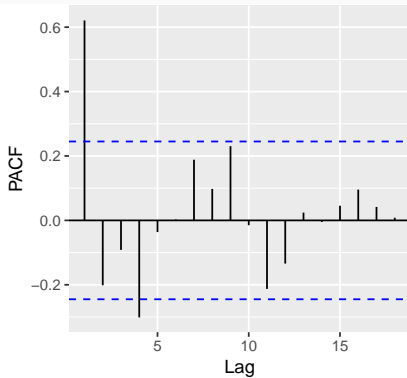
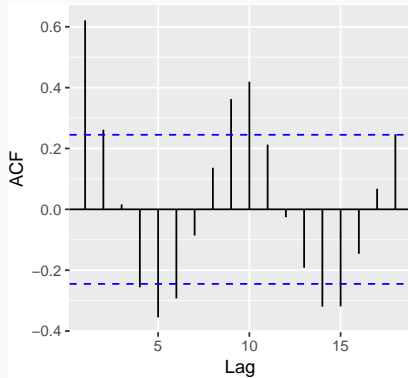
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- MLE is very similar to least squares estimation obtained by minimizing

$$\sum_{t=1}^T e_t^2.$$

- The `Arima()` command allows CLS or MLE estimation.
- Non-linear optimization must be used in either case.
- Different software will give different estimates.

Information criteria

Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC):

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How does auto.arima() work?

A non-seasonal ARIMA process

$$\phi(B)(1 - B)^d y_t = c + \theta(B)\varepsilon_t$$

Need to select appropriate orders: p, q, d

Hyndman and Khandakar (JSS, 2008) algorithm:

- Select no. differences d and D via unit root tests.
- Select p, q by minimising AICc.
- Use stepwise search to traverse model space.

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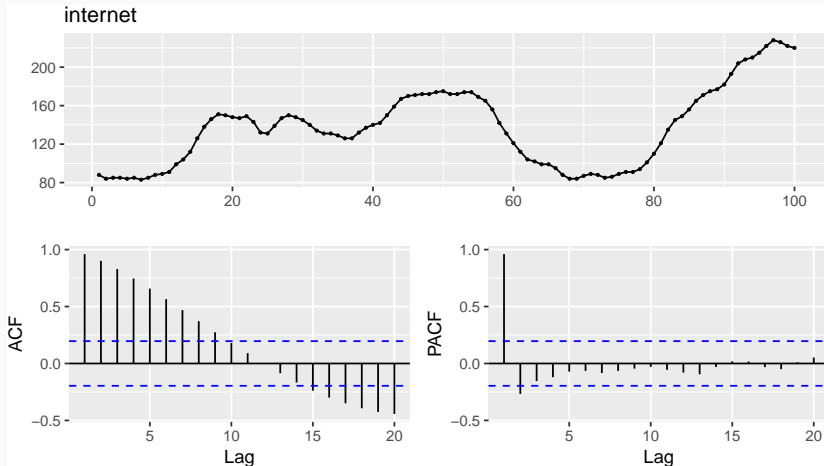
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Step 2: Consider variations of current model:

- vary one of p, q , from current model by ± 1 ;
- p, q both vary from current model by ± 1 ;
- Include/exclude c from current model.

Choosing your own model

```
ggtsdisplay(internet)
```



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```
tseries::adf.test(internet)
```

```
##  
## Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test  
##  
## data: internet  
## Dickey-Fuller = -2.6421, Lag order = 4, p-value = 0.3107  
## alternative hypothesis: stationary
```

```
tseries::kpss.test(internet)
```

```
##  
## KPSS Test for Level Stationarity  
##  
## data: internet  
## KPSS Level = 0.72197, Truncation lag parameter = 2, p-  
value =  
## 0.01155
```

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```
tseries::kpss.test(diff(internet))
```

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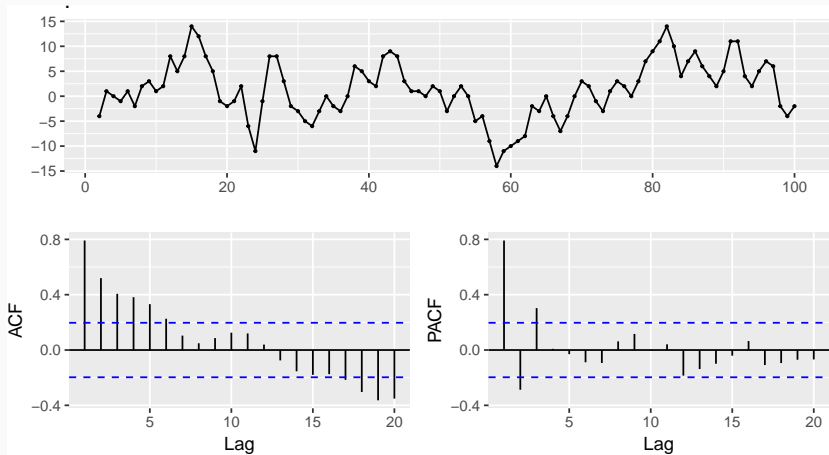
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```
## data: diff(internet)
```

```
## KPSS Level = 0.26352, Truncation lag parameter = 2, p-  
value = 0.1
```

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```
internet %>% diff %>% ggtsdisplay
```



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```
(fit <- Arima(internet,order=c(3,1,0)))
```

```
## Series: internet
```

```
## ARIMA(3,1,0)
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##          ar1          ar2          ar3
```

```
##          1.1513   -0.6612   0.3407
```

```
## s.e.    0.0950    0.1353    0.0941
```

```
##
```

```
## sigma^2 estimated as 9.656:  log likelihood=-  
252
```

```
## AIC=511.99   AICc=512.42   BIC=522.37
```

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```
(fit2 <- auto.arima(internet))
```

```
## Series: internet
```

```
## ARIMA(1,1,1)
```

```
##
```

```
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```

```
##          ar1      ma1
```

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##      0.6504  0.5256
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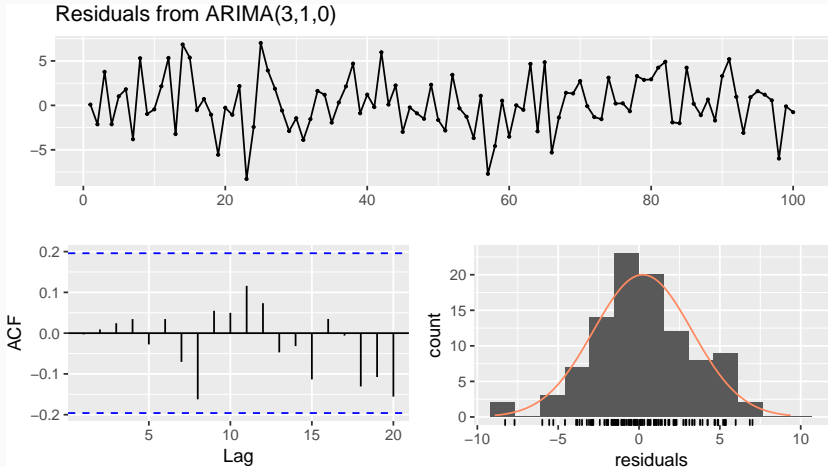
```
##
```

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## sigma^2 estimated as 9.995:  log likelihood=-  
254.15
```

```
## AIC=514.3    AICc=514.55    BIC=522.08
```


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```
checkresiduals(fit, plot=TRUE)
```



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```
checkresiduals(fit, plot=FALSE)
```

```
##
```

```
##  Ljung-Box test
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```
##
```

```
## data:  Residuals from ARIMA(3,1,0)
```

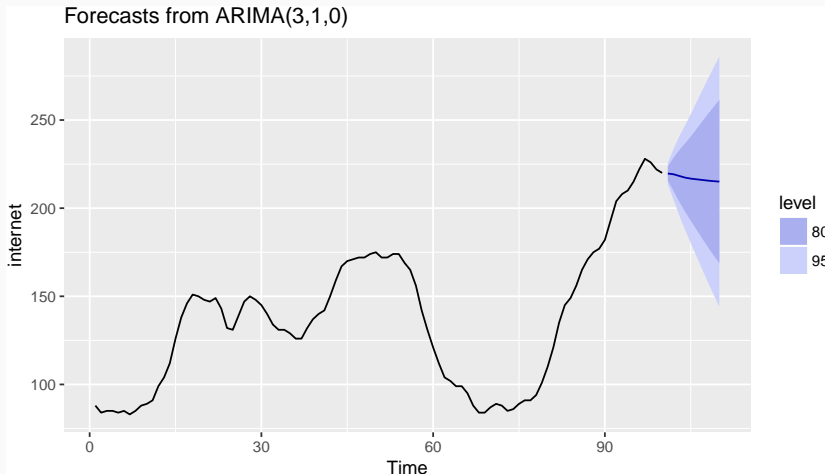
```
## Q* = 4.4913, df = 7, p-value = 0.7218
```

```
##
```

```
## Model df: 3.    Total lags used: 10
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```
fit %>% forecast %>% autoplot
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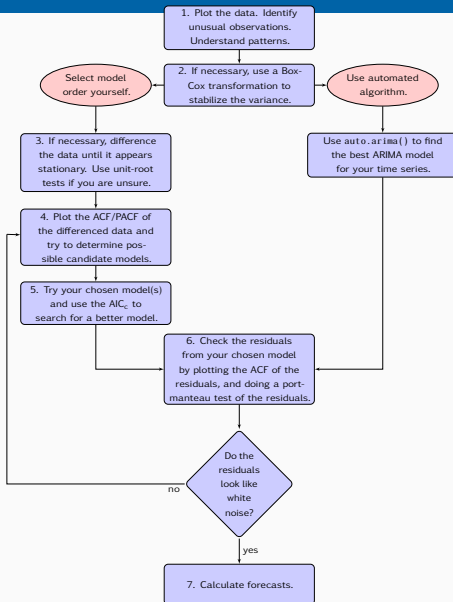
Modelling procedure with Arima

- 1 Plot the data. Identify any unusual observations.
- 2 If necessary, transform the data (using a Box-Cox transformation) to stabilize the variance.
- 3 If the data are non-stationary: take first differences of the data until the data are stationary.
- 4 Examine the ACF/PACF: Is an $AR(p)$ or $MA(q)$ model appropriate?
- 5 Try your chosen model(s), and use the AICc to search for a better model.
- 6 Check the residuals from your chosen model by plotting the ACF of the residuals, and doing a portmanteau test of the residuals. If they do not look like white noise, try a modified model.

Modelling procedure with `auto.arima`

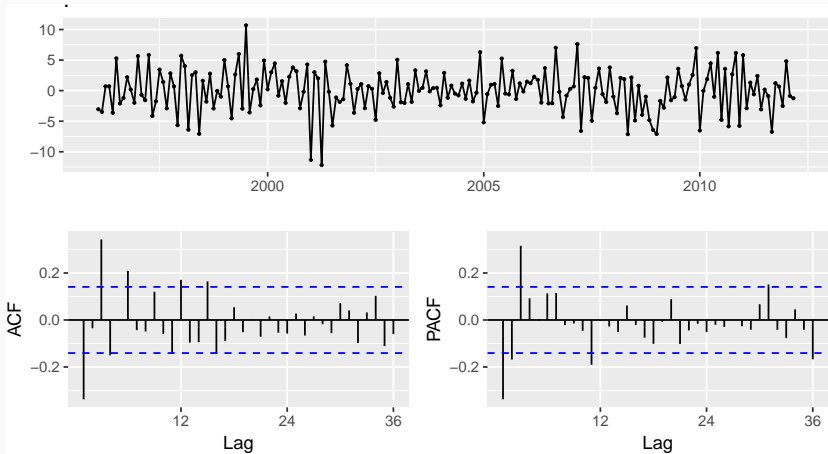
- 1 Plot the data. Identify any unusual observations.
- 2 If necessary, transform the data (using a Box-Cox transformation) to stabilize the variance.
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- 7 Once the residuals look like white noise, calculate forecasts.

Modelling procedure



Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

```
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```



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Point forecasts

- 1 Rearrange ARIMA equation so y_t is on LHS.
- 2 Rewrite equation by replacing t by $T + h$.
- 3 On RHS, replace future observations by their forecasts, future errors by zero, and past errors by corresponding residuals.

Start with $h = 1$. Repeat for $h = 2, 3, \dots$

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- AR(1): Rewrite as MA(∞) and use above result.
- Other models beyond scope of this workshop.

Prediction intervals

- Prediction intervals **increase in size with forecast horizon.**
- Prediction intervals can be difficult to calculate by hand
- Calculations assume residuals are **uncorrelated** and **normally distributed.**
- Prediction intervals tend to be too narrow.
 - the uncertainty in the parameter estimates has not been accounted for.
 - the ARIMA model assumes historical patterns will not change during the forecast period.
 - the ARIMA model assumes uncorrelated future errors

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