

Lecture 3: Temporal models

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Why start with time?

1. What date is closer to August 8th
 1. August 6th?
 2. August 10th?
2. Time is 1-D
3. Time has a direction
4. Simplest case for considering autocorrelation
5. Still – it is one component of spatio-temporal processes

Syllabus

- White noise and random walk process
- Autoregressive (AR) structure
- Moving average (MA) structure
- State-space models

Definitions

- Discrete time sequence of real-valued random variables Y_t
 $\{Y_t : t \in 0, 1, \dots\}$

- Mean function

$$\mu_t = E(Y_t)$$

- Autocovariance function

$$C(t, r) = \text{cov}(Y_t, Y_r) = E\{(Y_t - \mu_t)(Y_r - \mu_r)\}$$

- Autocorrelation function

$$\rho(r, t) = \frac{\text{cov}(Y_t, Y_r)}{\sqrt{\text{var}(Y_t)\text{var}(Y_r)}}$$

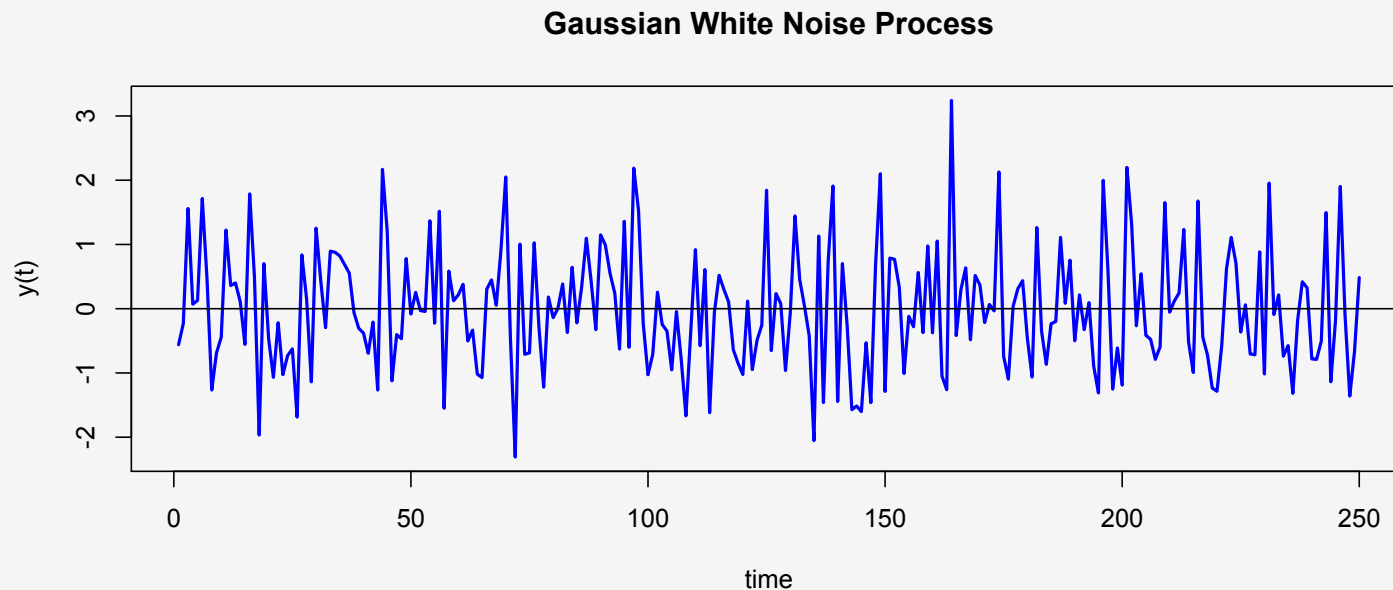
Stationarity

- Strong stationarity: time series model for Y_t is stationary if all statistics remain unchanged after time shifts, i.e. remain unchanged for all Y_{t_0+t} for all possible t_0 (all moments are invariant)
- Weak stationarity: time series model for Y_t is stationary if the mean function is constant and auto-covariance is a function of difference of arguments (only mean and variance are invariant)

White noise process

$$W_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$$

- Why “white noise”?
 - The spectral density function is equal for all frequencies, thus an equal mixture of all colors, which is equivalent to white light

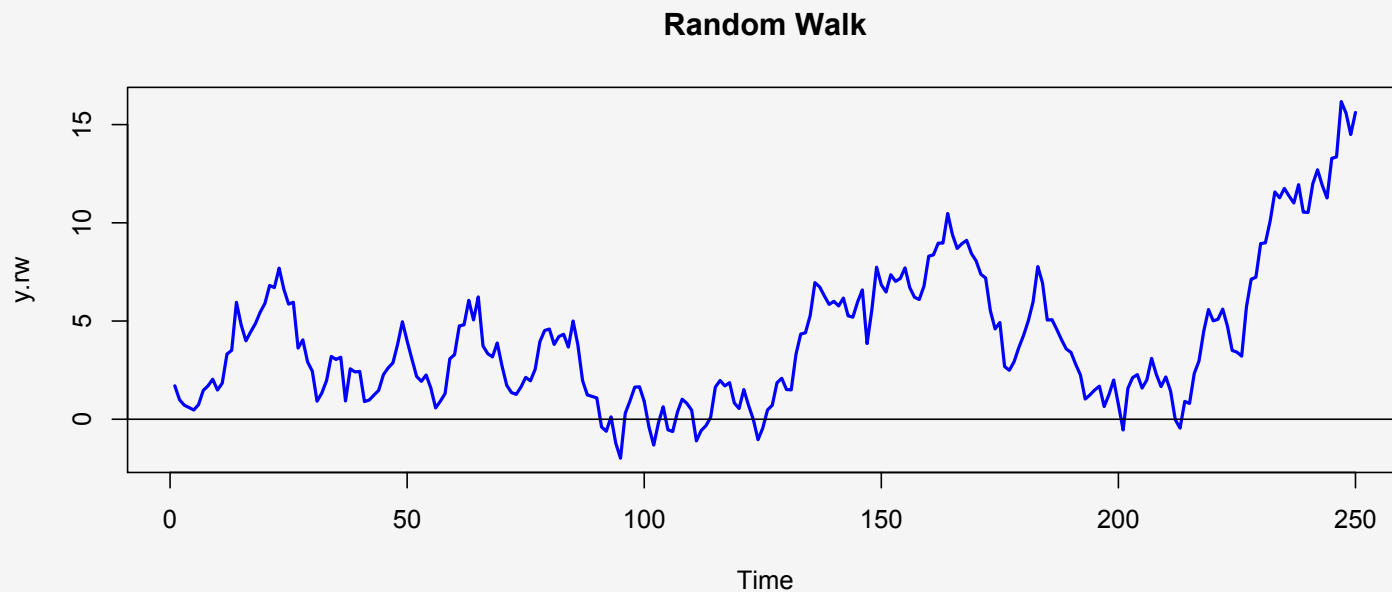


Random walk process

$$Y_t = Y_{t-1} + W_t$$

$$W_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$$

- Random walk incorporates stochastic innovation to the process at each time step

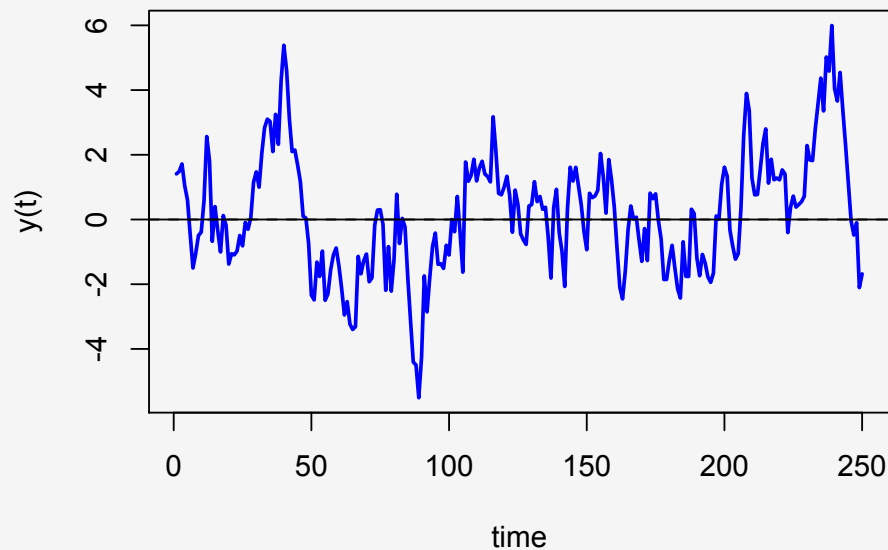


Autoregressive process

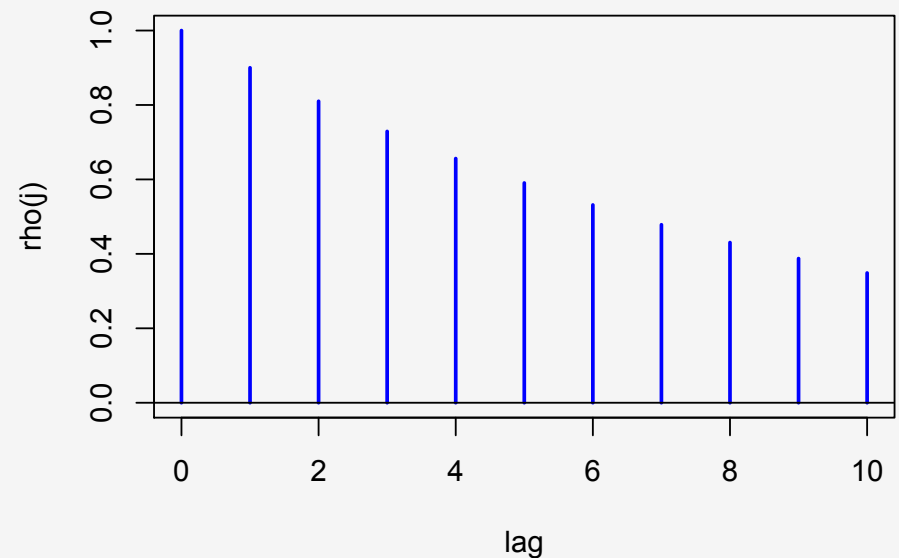
$$Y_t = \alpha_1 Y_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_p Y_{t-p} + W_t$$

$$W_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$$

AR(1) Process: $\alpha=0.9$



Theoretical ACF for AR(1): $\alpha=0.9$

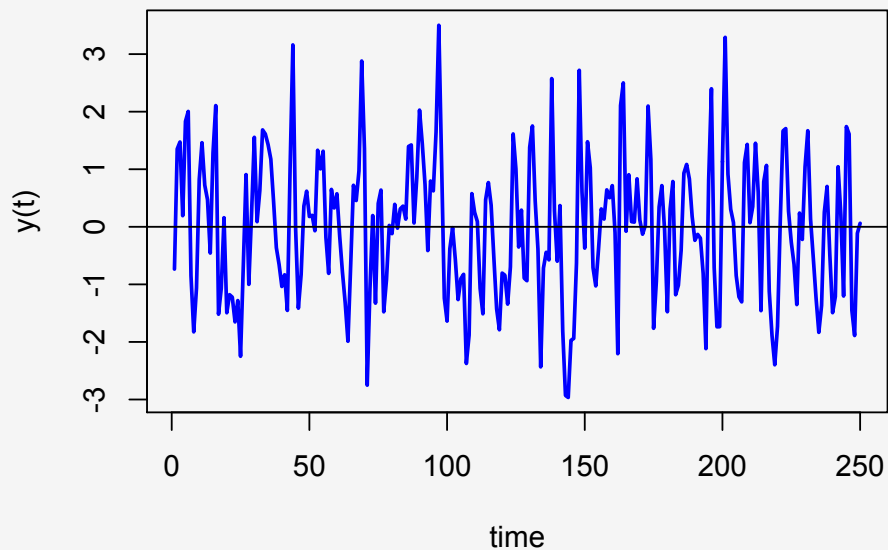


Moving Average process

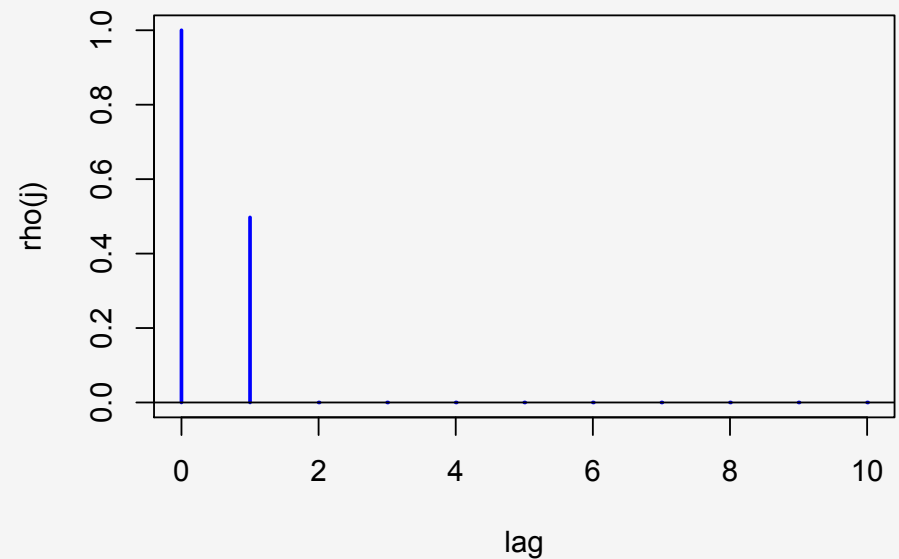
$$Y_t = W_t + \beta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_q W_{t-q}$$

$$W_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$$

MA(1) Process: beta = 0.9



Theoretical ACF for MA(1): beta=0.9



Relationship of AR and MA processes

Temporal models

- AR as an infinite sequence of MA

$$Y_t = \alpha Y_{t-1} + W_t$$

$$Y_t = \alpha(\alpha Y_{t-2} + W_{t-1}) + W_t$$

$$Y_t = W_t + \alpha W_{t-1} + \alpha^2 W_{t-2} + \dots$$

$$Y_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha^k W_{t-k}$$

$$\text{var}(Y_t) = \sigma_w^2 (1 + \alpha^2 + \alpha^4 + \dots) = \frac{\sigma_w^2}{(1 - \alpha^2)}$$

- MA as an infinite sequence of AR

$$Y_t = W_t + \beta W_{t-1}$$

$$W_t = Y_t - \beta W_{t-1}$$

$$W_t = Y_t - \beta(Y_{t-1} - \beta W_{t-2})$$

$$W_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta^k Y_{t-k}$$

- The ARMA(p, q) model

$$Y_t = \alpha_1 Y_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_p Y_{t-p} + W_t + \beta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_q W_{t-q}$$

Extensions 1 – models for the process Y

- Non-linear time-series models

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

$$\epsilon_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$$

$$\alpha_t = b_0 + b_1 X_t + \gamma_t$$

$$\gamma_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma_\gamma^2)$$

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- Multivariate time series (Vector Autoregressive Process)

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{Y}_{t-1} + \mathbf{M}_2 \mathbf{Y}_{t-2} + \dots + \mathbf{M}_p \mathbf{Y}_{t-p} + \mathbf{W}_t$$

$$\mathbf{W}_t \sim \text{MVNormal}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{Q})$$

Extensions 2 – models for the variance of the process

- Model the variance as changing over time – generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (GARCH)

$$\sigma_{\varepsilon,t}^2 = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i Y_{t-i} + \sum_{j=1}^q b_j \sigma_{\varepsilon,t-j}^2$$

- Stochastic Volatility models – variance changing over time stochastically

$$\log(\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2) = b_0 + b_1 \log(\sigma_{\varepsilon,t-1}^2) + v_t$$

$$v_t \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma_v^2)$$

Stationarity assumptions

- Need to have a stationary series, thus need to remove any trend in the data and have homogeneous variance
 - Model for the mean or differencing to remove any trend
 - Variance stabilization transformations
 - $\log()$, $\sqrt{}$
- MA series is stationary
- AR series is stationary if $|\alpha| < 1$
- Unit-root tests or Dickey-Fuller tests for stationarity
 - In an AR(1) model, test for whether $\alpha < 1$ versus $\alpha = 1$ (random walk)

Fitting models to data

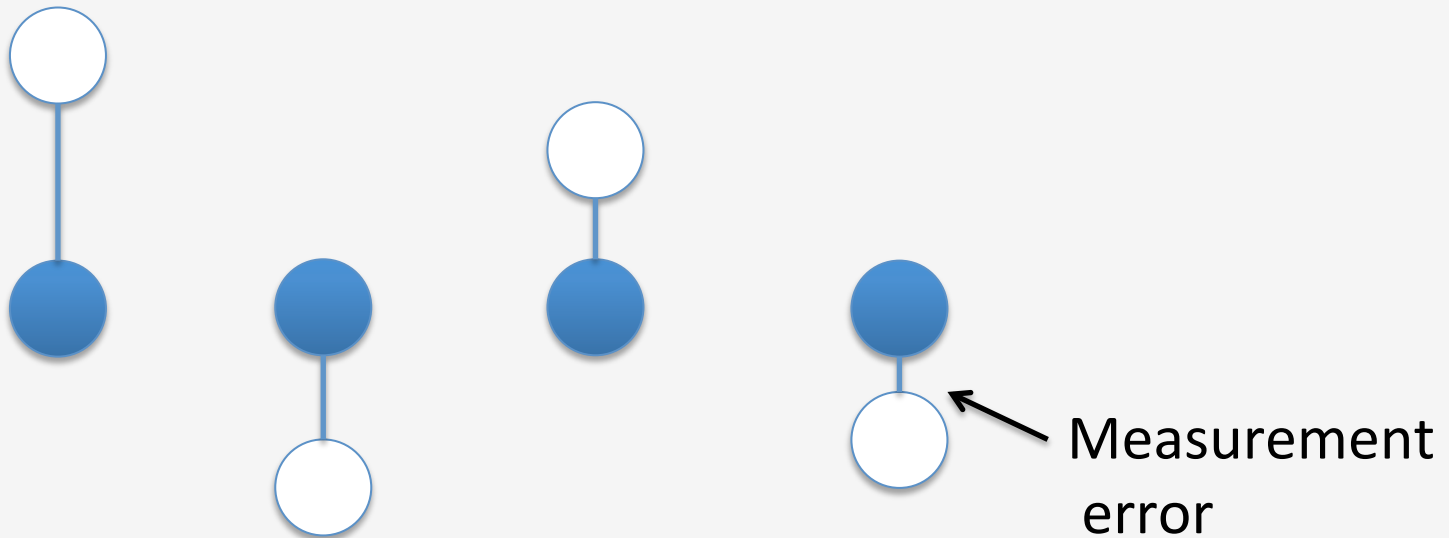
- Transform to obtain a stationary time series
 - Remove trends and seasonal components
 - Differentiate (if needed) – ARIMA or Box-Jenkins model
 - Test for stationarity
- Determine order of AR and MA processes
 - Compute partial auto-correlation function to determine order of model for AR,
 - partial auto-correlation of lag k is the autocorrelation between z_t and z_{t+k} with the linear dependence of z_t on z_{t+1} through z_{t+k-1} removed
 - Compute auto-correlation function to determine order of MA model
 - Estimate auto-regression and variance using Yule-Walker (AR) or maximum likelihood (AR, MA, or ARMA)
- Compute residuals and test for white noise

Hierarchical modeling of time-series

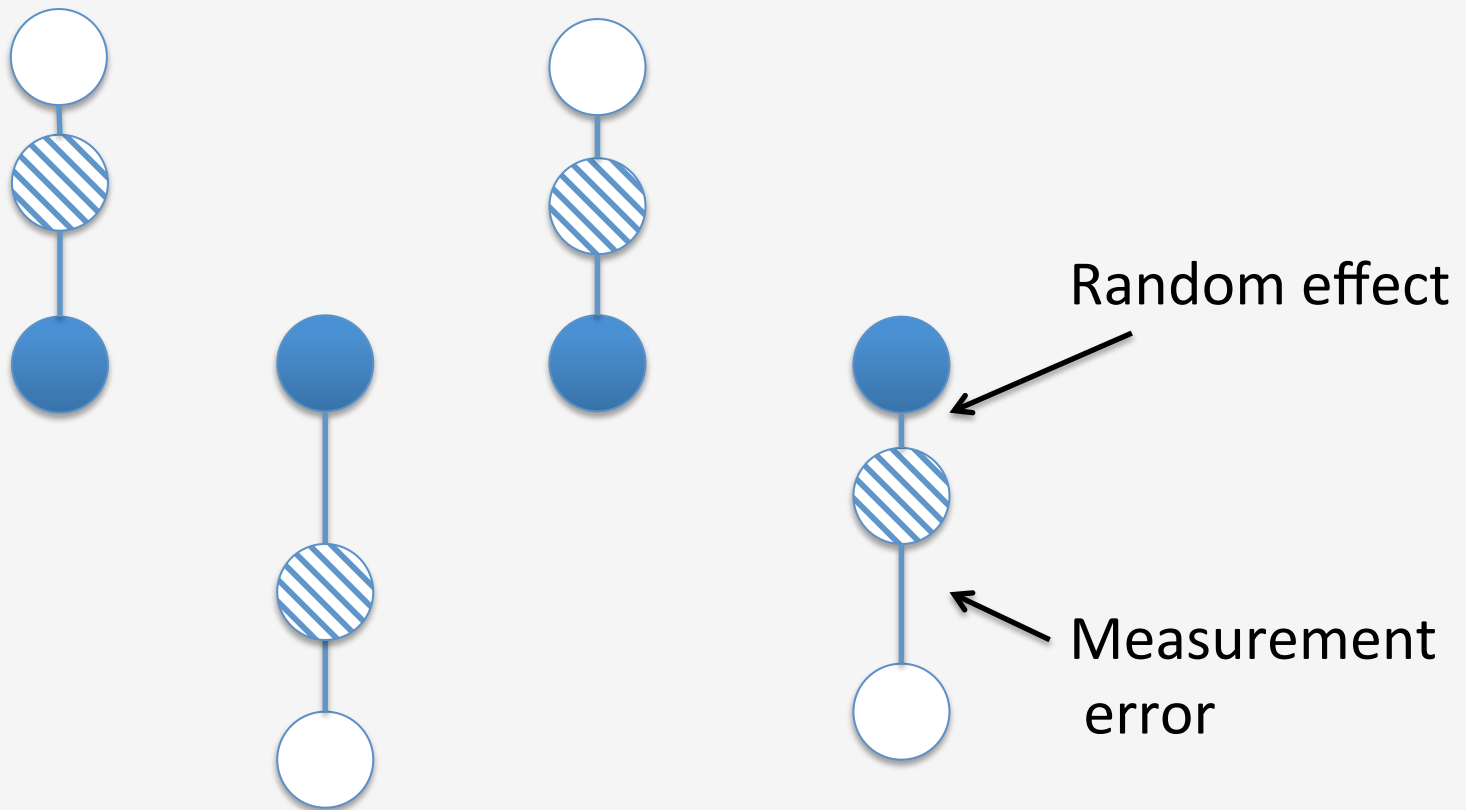
- Conditional description of joint distribution of data, process, and parameters
- Data model
 - $\text{data} | \text{process, parameters}$
- Process model that incorporates temporal dynamics
 - $\text{Process} | \text{parameters}$
- Parameters
 - $\text{parameters} | \text{hyperpriors}$ for a Bayesian Hierarchical Model

Cressie and Wikle (2011) Statistics for Spatiotemporal Data

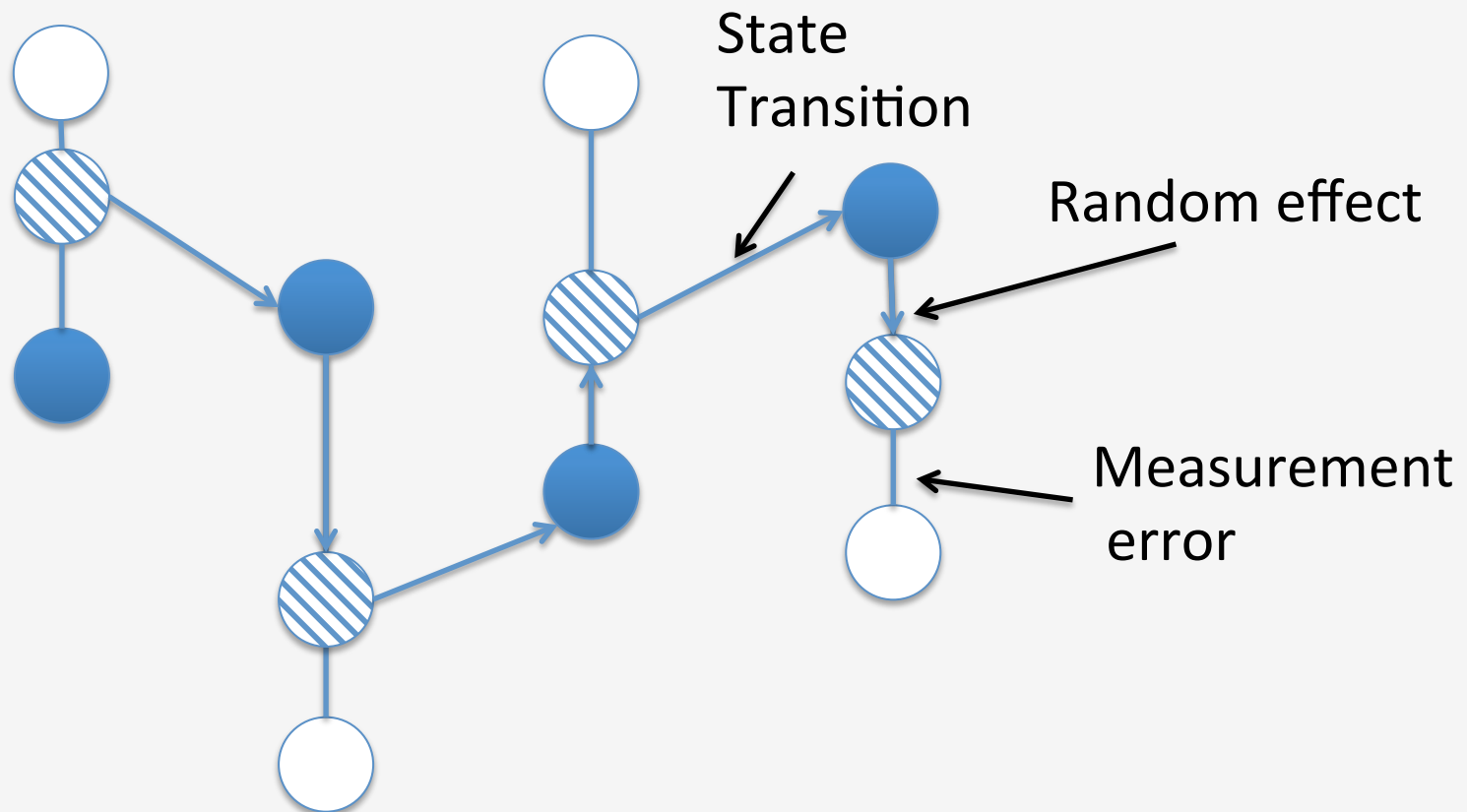
Generalized linear models and linear models



Hierarchical models with random effects



State-space model



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State-space model example - Dynamic Linear Model

$$S_t|S_{t-1} \sim N(\lambda S_{t-1}, \sigma_S^2)$$

$$y_t|S_t \sim N(S_t, \sigma_y^2)$$

- The state S_t is a stochastic function of the state the previous time step and the population growth rate λ and the level of process noise σ_S
- The observation process is a function of the measurement error σ_y

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