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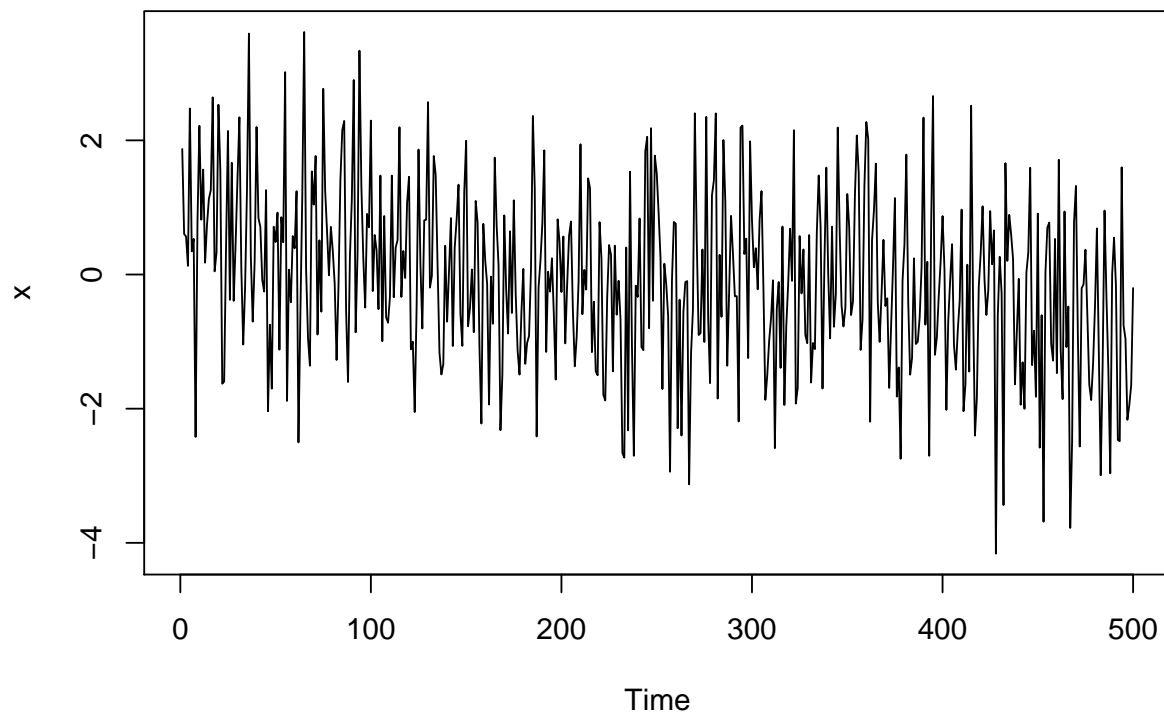
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## 1 Periodic Series With Noise

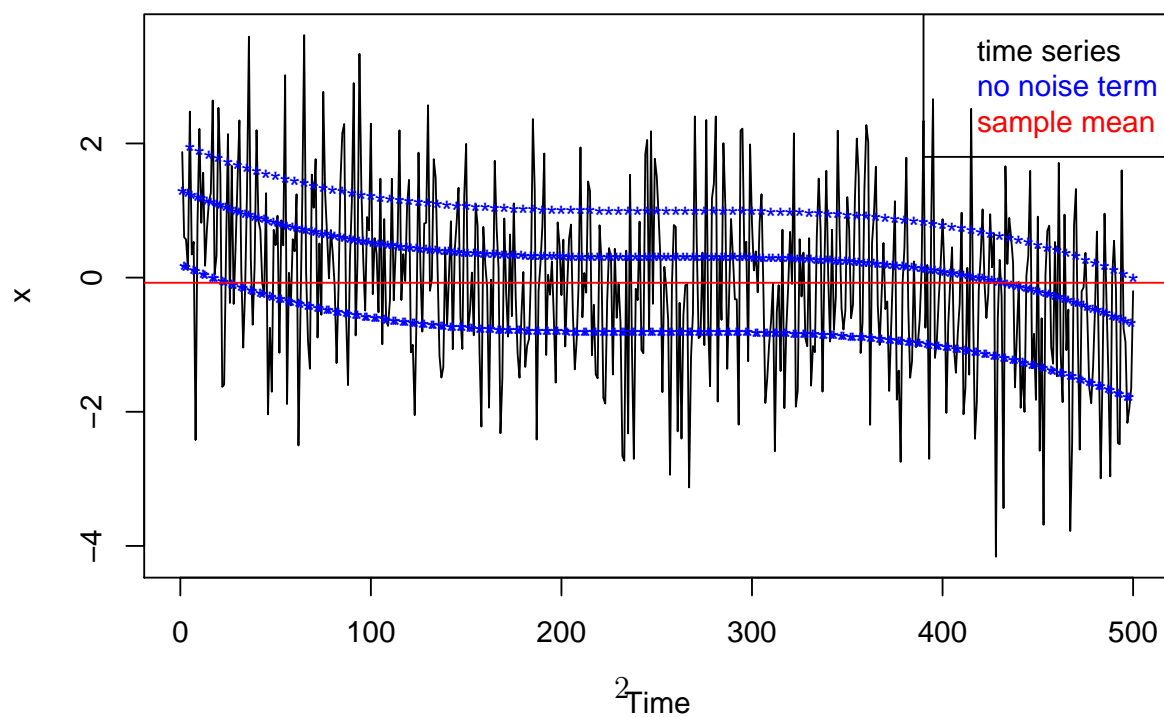
Generate a time series  $x$  of length 500 using the following R commands:

```
t <- seq(1:500)
x <- cos(2 * pi * 0.2 * t) + (1 - t/250)^3 + rnorm(500)
x <- ts(x)
x.no.noise <- cos(2 * pi * 0.2 * t) + (1 - t/250)^3
```

(a) Plot  $x$ . Does the plot appear to be stationary?

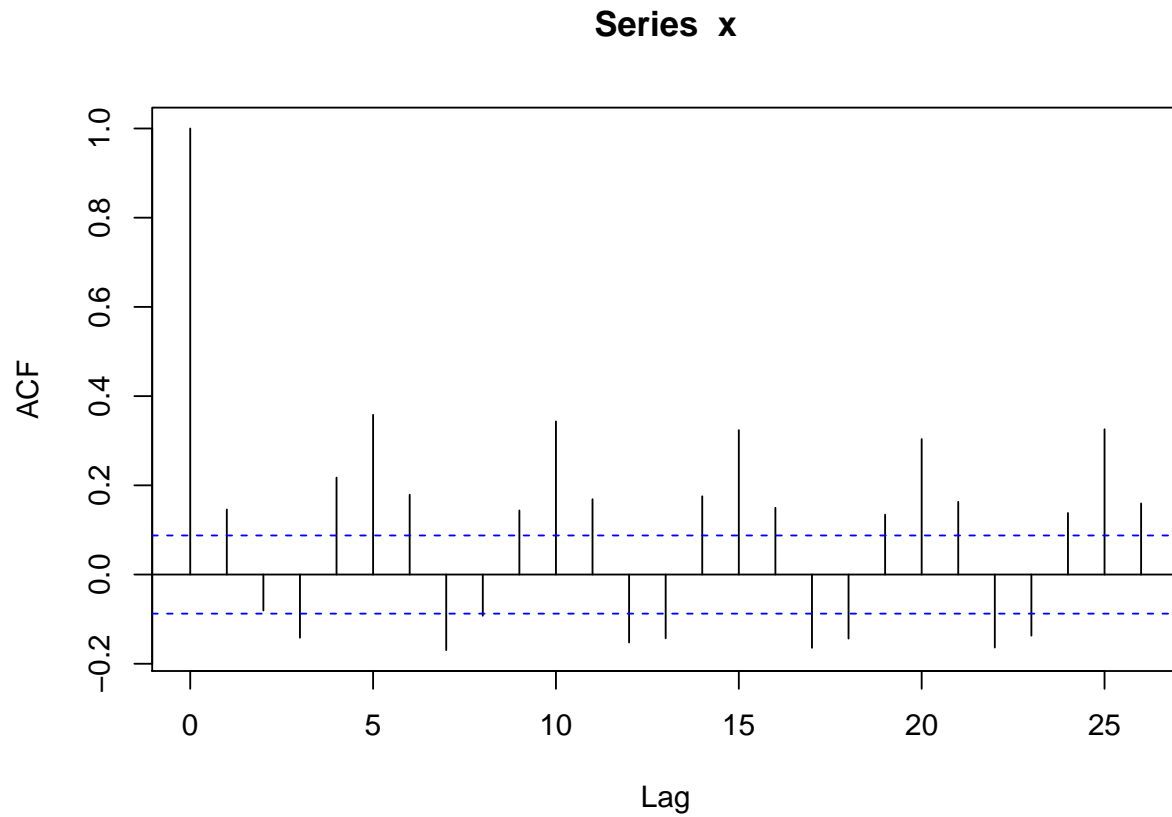


**time series along with sample mean and underlying noiseless series**



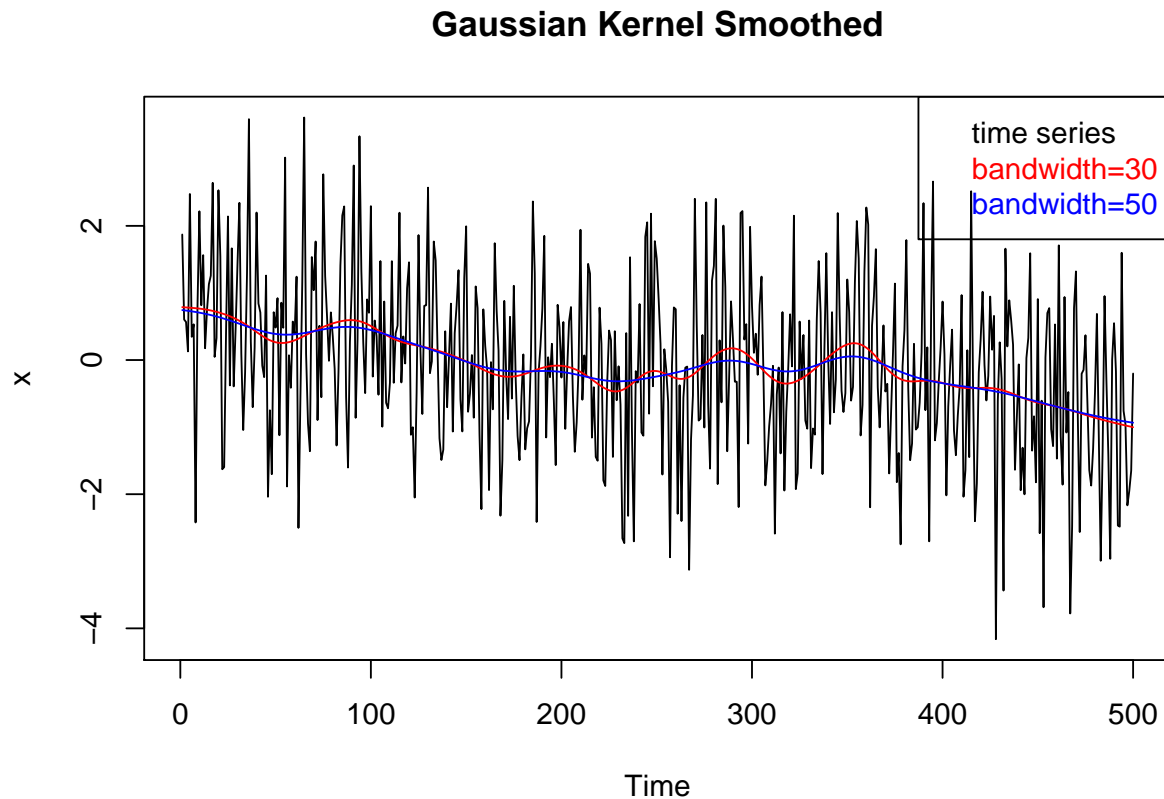
This time series does not appear stationary, The mean function appears to have drift and the variance does not appear constant.

(b) Plot the ACF of  $x$ . What feature(s) do(es) the acf-plot reveal ?



We see negative autocorrelation at  $lags 5n + 2, 5n + 3n = 0, 1, 2...$  We see positive autocorrelation at  $lags 5n + 4, 5n + 5, 5n + 6n = 0, 1, 2, ...$  with the strongest peak at  $lag 5$ .

(c) Plot  $x$  and overlay two kernel smoothed curves using the Gaussian (“normal”) kernel with two different choices of the bandwidth  $b = 30; 50$ .



(d) Which of the two smoothed curves (or the bandwidths) gives a better description of the “trend function”  $g(t) = (1 - \frac{t}{250})$  ? Justify your answer by relating the bandwidth choice with the period of the cyclical component.

The kernel with the larger bandwidth will capture the trend better. For `ksmooth` in R the kernels are scaled so that their quartiles are at  $0.25 \times \text{bandwidth}$ . The period of the periodic component of the series is 5 for so a kernel width of 50 will cover 5 periods in the interquartile range and 10 over the entire bandwidth. This will smooth out the periodic fluctuations revealing the underlying trend better.

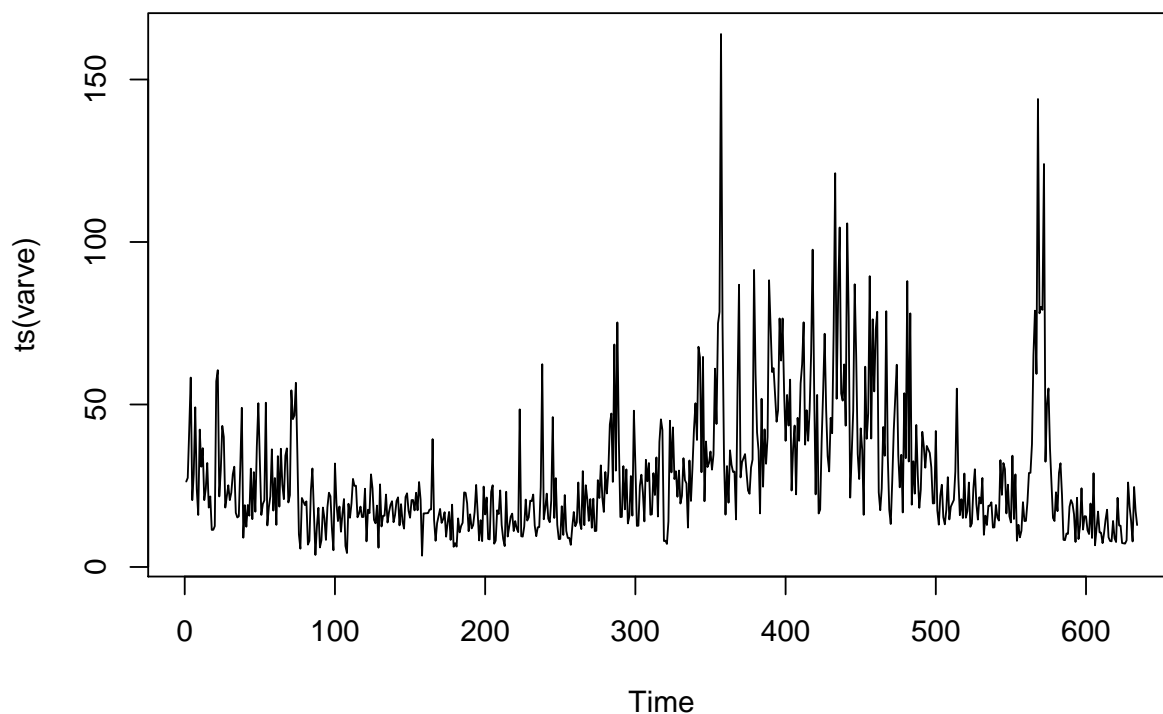
## 2 Modelling the varve series

Consider the time series varve given in the package ASTSA.

(a) Show that the varve series is heteroscedastic by computing the sample variances

over the first and the second half of the data.

```
rm(list = ls())  
library(astsa)  
data(varve, package = "astsa")  
plot(ts(varve))
```



```
n.tics <- length(varve)  
  
left.half <- window(varve, start = 1, end = floor(length(varve)/2))  
right.half <- window(varve, start = floor(length(varve)/2) + 1, end = length(varve))  
  
mean.left <- mean(left.half)
```

```
mean.right <- mean(right.half)
pander(data.frame(mean.left = mean.left, mean.right = mean.right), caption = "Sample means for right and left half of varve ts")
```

Table 1: Sample means for right and left half of varve ts

mean.left	mean.right
20.86	34.89

```
var.left <- var(left.half)
var.right <- var(right.half)

pander(data.frame(var.left = var.left, var.right = var.right), caption = "Sample variances for right and left half of varve ts")
```

Table 2: Sample variances for right and left half of varve ts

var.left	var.right
133.5	594.5

```
var.test(left.half, right.half)

##
##  F test to compare two variances
##
## data:  left.half and right.half
## F = 0.22449, num df = 316, denom df = 316, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true ratio of variances is not equal to 1
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  0.1799937 0.2799874
## sample estimates:
## ratio of variances
##           0.2244904
```

The F-test confirms what we see - that the variances of the left and right halves are significantly different.

**(b) Let  $x_1$  denote the first half of the varve series scaled by the sample standard**

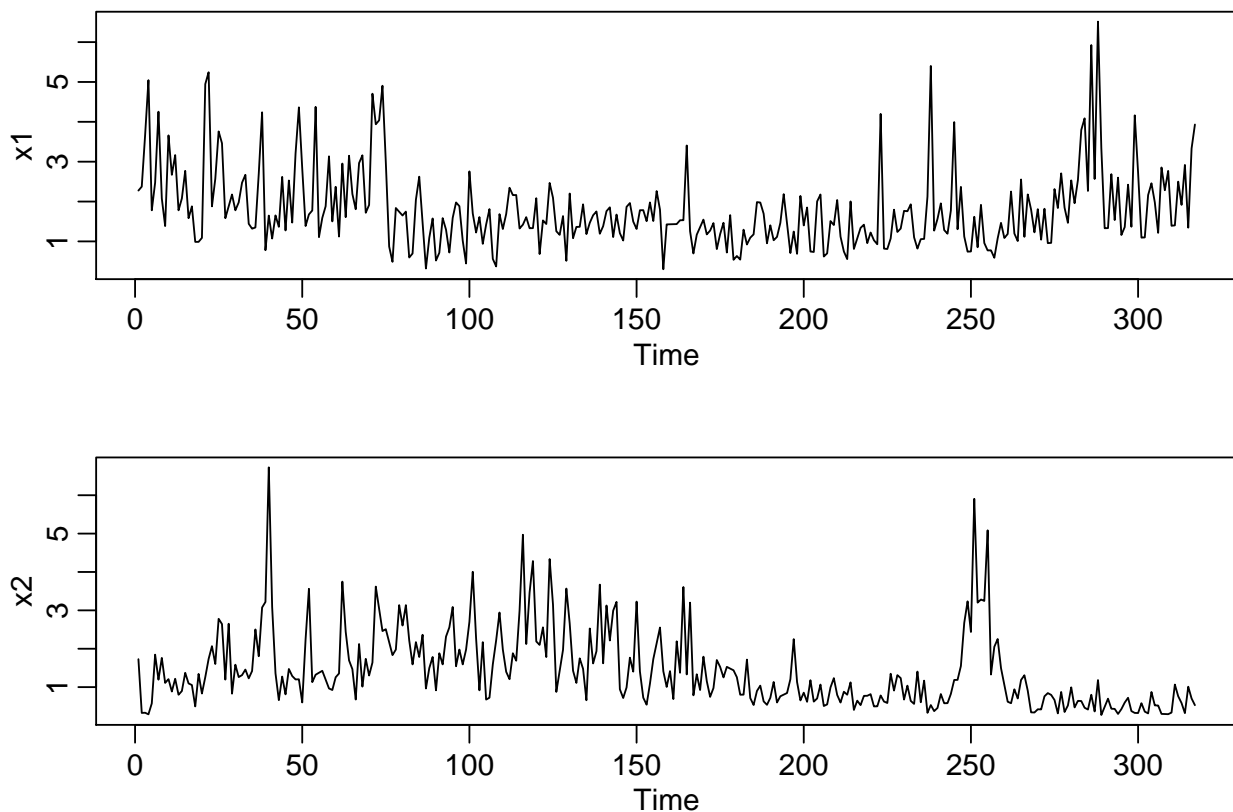
deviation of the first half, and similarly, let  $x_2$  denote the second half of the varve series scaled by the sample standard deviation of the second half. Plot the two subseries  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in two panels using the plotting function `mfrow=c(2,1)`.

```

x1 <- left.half
x2 <- right.half
x1.scaled <- scale(left.half, center = FALSE, scale = sqrt(var.left))
x2.scaled <- scale(right.half, center = FALSE, scale = sqrt(var.right))

par(mfrow = c(2, 1), mar = c(3, 2, 1, 0) + 0.5, mgp = c(1.6, 0.6, 0))
plot(ts(x1.scaled), ylab = "x1")
plot(ts(x2.scaled), ylab = "x2")

```

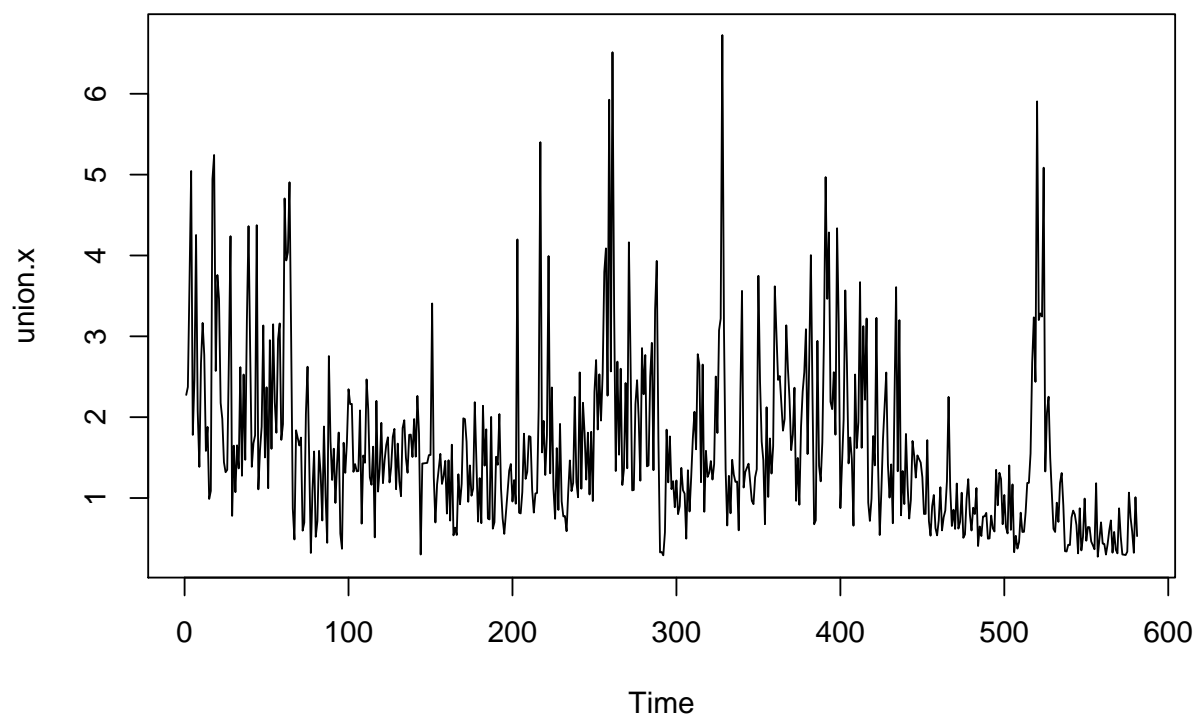


(c) Now combine the two scaled series  $x1$  and  $x2$ , and call it  $xt$ . Plot the ACF of the  $xt$  series and comment on its (non-)stationarity properties!

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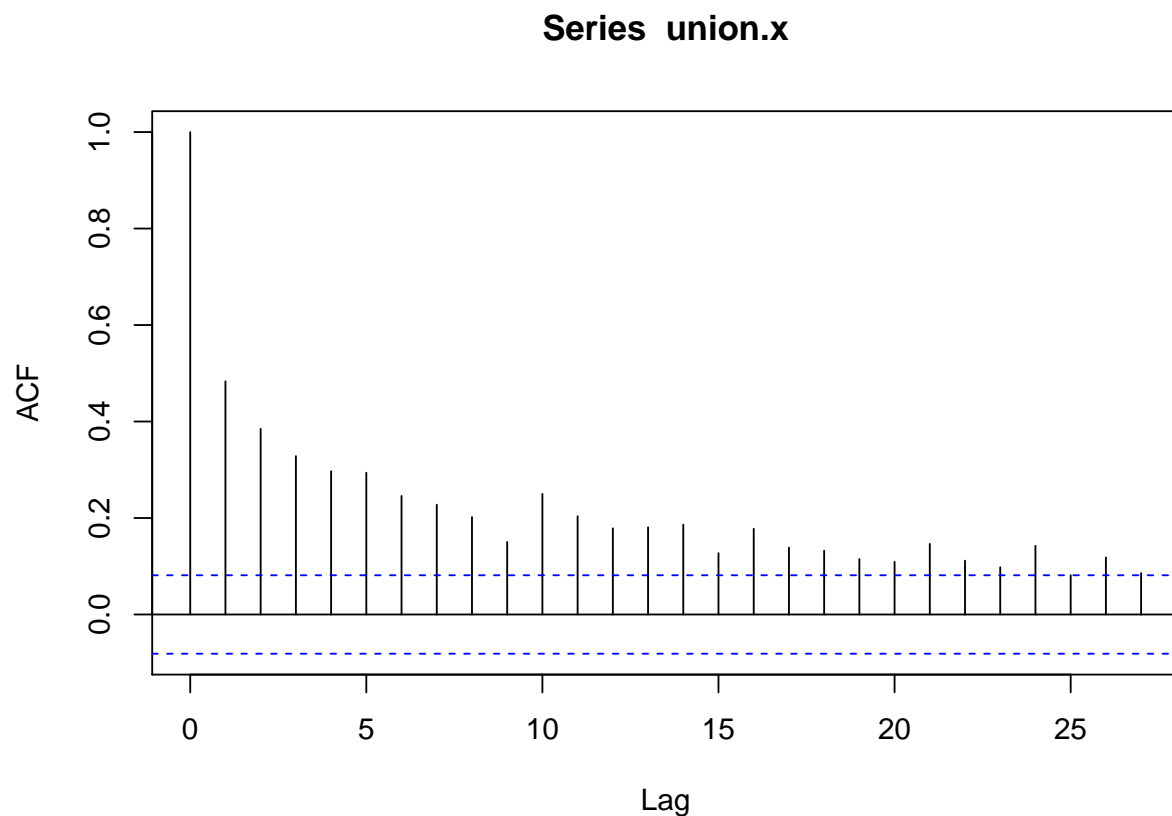
union.x <- ts(union(x1.scaled, x2.scaled))
plot(union.x)

```



```
acf(union.x)
```

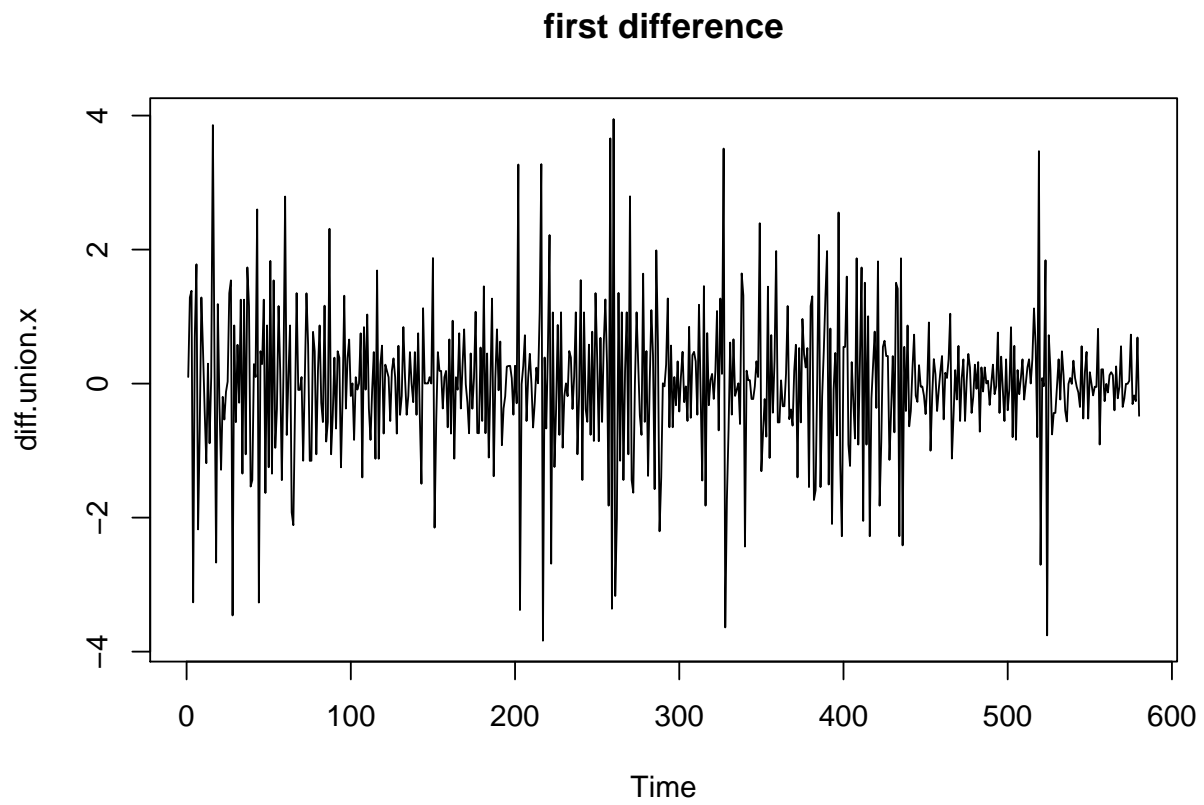




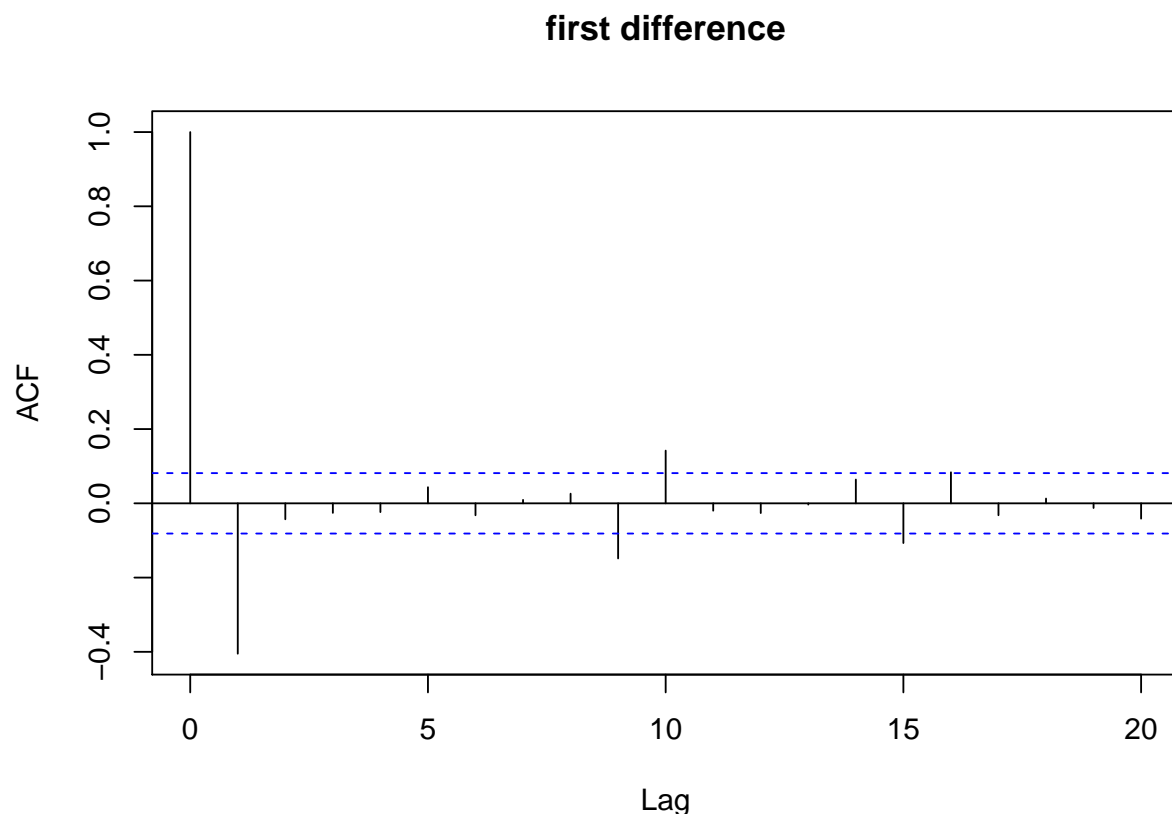
Since the acf is slowly decaying - we have evidence of non-stationarity. We can't say for sure though, but we should definitely investigate for trend. If we were taking the follow up course - we'd be curious about unit root test - I believe these are for detecting long range correlations in time series.

**(d) Consider the differenced time series  $x_{diff}$  obtained from  $xt$ . Show that an  $MA(1)$  model is appropriate for  $x_{diff}$ .**

```
diff.union.x <- ts(diff(union.x))
plot(diff.union.x, main = "first difference")
```



```
acf(diff.union.x, 20, main = "first difference")
```



We see in autocorrelation plot of the differenced data with a 95% confidence bands that the autocorrelation at lag 1 is significant. Based on this a MA(1) model is suggested. If we wanted to we could investigate the PACF to look for an AR component.

There are two other significant ACF values at lag 9 and 10. They are of differing sign, and they are not that far above the  $\alpha = 0.05$  line so we claim there is no need to include them in our modelling process at this point.

Now we run a Box-Ljung test to see if we can fit a MA model to the data.

```
union.x.ma1 <- arima(x = union.x, order = c(p = 0, d = 0, q = 1))
Box.test(residuals(union.x.ma1), lag = 6, type = "Ljung")
```

```
##
## Box-Ljung test
##
## data: residuals(union.x.ma1)
## X-squared = 145.01, df = 6, p-value < 2.2e-16
```

The Box-Ljung test shows that the lag autocorrelations among the residuals hence the MA(1) model provides a good fit to the data.

(e) The model for  $X_t = xdiff$  can be written as

$$X_t = \mu + W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1}$$

Where  $W_t \sim N(-, \sigma_W)$ . Find an estimate of  $\mu$ .

Since  $E[W_t] = 0 \quad \forall t$  We have that  $E[X_t] = \mu$  and it stands to reason that  $\hat{\mu} = \bar{x}_t$  is a good estimate of  $\mu$

```
pander(data.frame(mean.xdiff = mean(diff.union.x)), capiton = "Estimate of constant in M")
```

mean.xdiff
-0.003011

It's interesting to look at the trend in the original series. We can fit a linear model  $\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t$  and see the trend in the original series. I'd be curious to understand how differencing compares to subtracting the linear trend in terms of model fit - likewise for the scaling we did to remove the heteroskedasticity. We'd consider a log or square root transform as an alternative for the left right scaling.

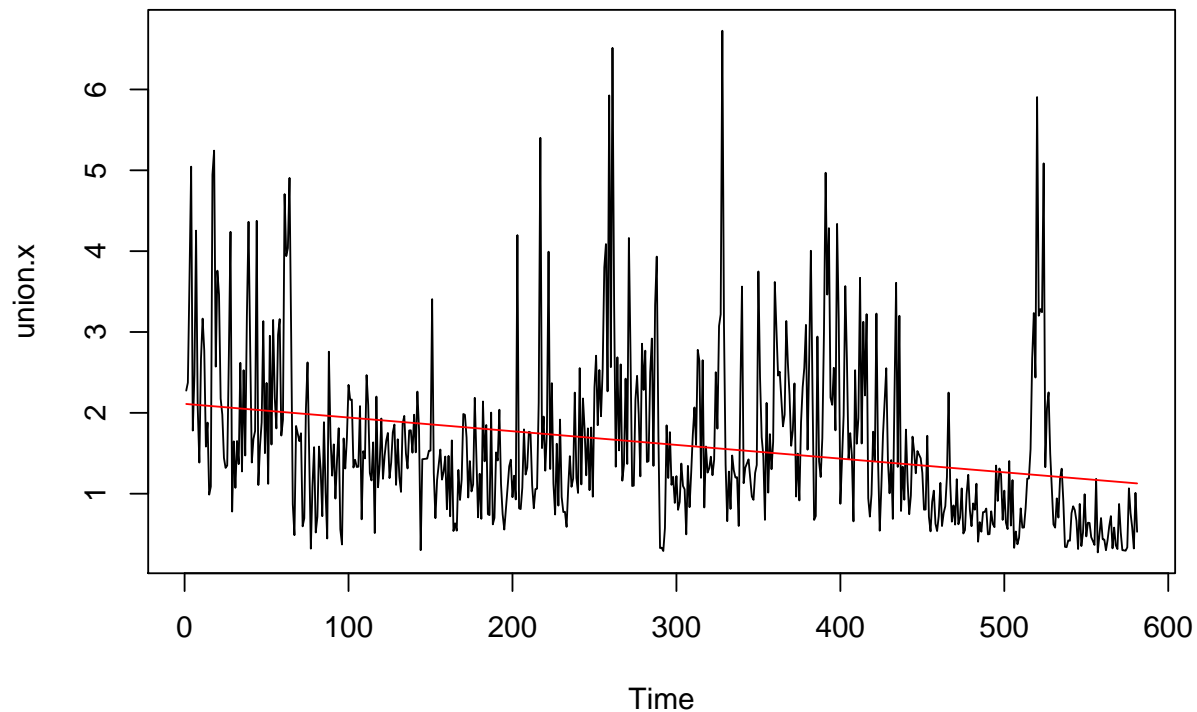
```
fit = lm(union.x ~ time(union.x), na.action = NULL)
summary(fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = union.x ~ time(union.x), na.action = NULL)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.6607 -0.6521 -0.2864  0.3375  5.1704
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   2.1114332   0.0833808  25.323  < 2e-16 ***
## time(union.x) -0.0016938   0.0002483  -6.823 2.25e-11 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.004 on 579 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.07442,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.07282
## F-statistic: 46.56 on 1 and 579 DF,  p-value: 2.251e-11

mean(union.x)

## [1] 1.618524
```

```
plot(union.x)
lines(fitted(fit), col = "red")
```



(f) Write down the final model for the varve-series based on this analysis.

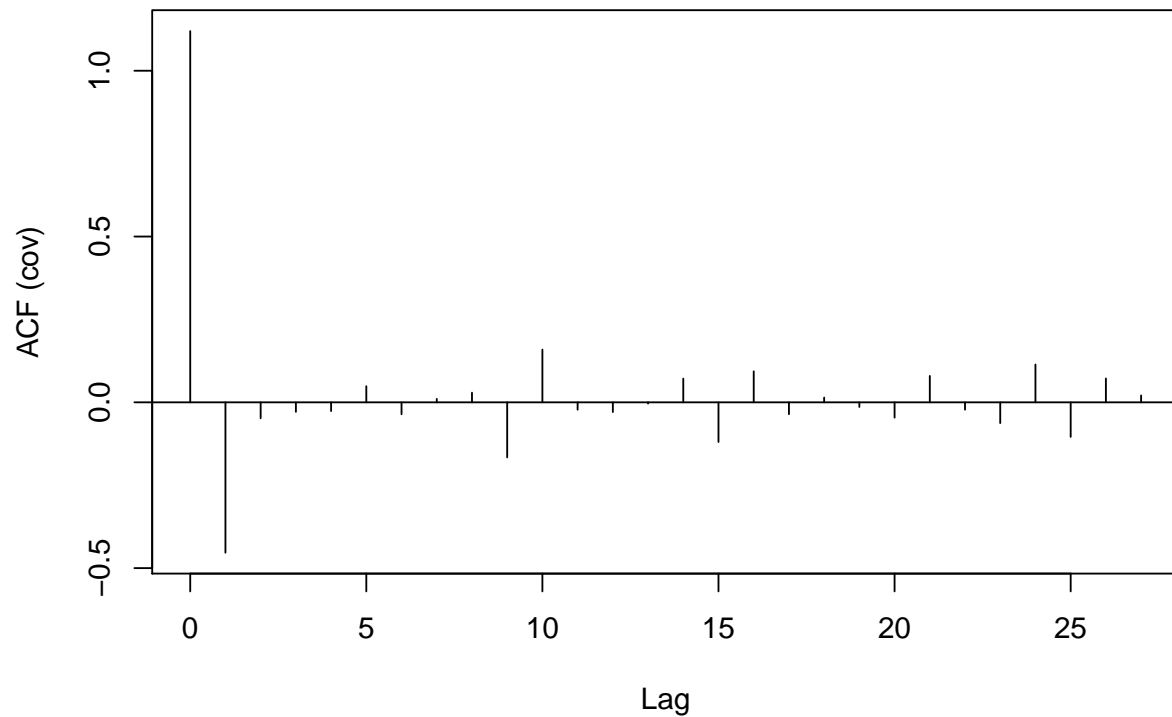
We can use the autocovariance function

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2(1 + \theta^2) & h = 0 \\ -\theta \sigma_w^2 & h = 1 \\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

to match up with the sample autocovariance and get estimates for  $\theta$  and  $\sigma_w^2$

```
autocov <- acf(diff.union.x, type = "covariance")
```

### Series diff.union.x



We'll extract the values for  $\gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(1)$  to get

$$\sigma_w^2(1 + \theta^2) =$$

```
autocov[0]
```

```
##  
## Autocovariances of series 'diff.union.x', by lag  
##  
##      0  
## 1.12
```

and

$$-\theta \sigma_w^2 =$$

```
autocov[1]
```

```
##  
## Autocovariances of series 'diff.union.x', by lag  
##  
##      1  
## -0.454
```

Solving these

```

a = autocov$acf[2]
b = autocov$acf[1]
c = autocov$acf[2]
first.root <- ((-b) + sqrt((b^2) - 4 * a * c))/(2 * a)
second.root <- ((-b) - sqrt((b^2) - 4 * a * c))/(2 * a)

pander(data.frame(first.root = first.root, second.root = second.root), caption = "roots")

```

Table 4: roots

first.root	second.root
0.5107	1.958

```

pander(data.frame(sima.hat = (-autocov$acf[2]/first.root)), caption = "estimated variance")

```

Table 5: estimated variance of  $W_t$  from our data from first root

sima.hat
0.888

```

pander(data.frame(sima.hat = (-autocov$acf[2]/second.root)), caption = "estimated variance")

```

Table 6: estimated variance of  $W_t$  from our data from second root

sima.hat
0.2316

Now we have 2 choices of root above which give 2 equivalent models with different noise processes. We choose  $\hat{\theta} = 0.5107369$  so the time series will be invertible. Note this value of  $\theta$  gives us  $\sigma_w^2 = \frac{-\gamma(1)}{\hat{\theta}} = .888$

Now that we have  $\hat{\theta} = 0.5107369$  and  $\hat{\delta} = -0.003011$  we can back out our scaling and diff to get an expression for the original varve time series model.

A log transform for the scaling would be more elegant to look at but here we go

Let

$$f(y_t) = \begin{cases} y_t \frac{1}{\sigma_L} & t < \frac{length}{2} \\ y_t \frac{1}{\sigma_L} & t < \frac{length}{2} \end{cases}$$

Where we got the scaling from the left and right sample variances. We denote the inverse scaling by  $f^{-1}$

$$f^{-1}(z_y) = \begin{cases} z_t \hat{\sigma}_L & t < \frac{length}{2} \\ z_t \hat{\sigma}_L & t < \frac{length}{2} \end{cases}$$

Or model for the diff is

$$diff f_t = f(y_t) - f(y_{t-1}) = \mu + W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1}$$

The final model is then

$$y_t = y_{t-1} + f^{-1}(\mu + W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1})$$

### 3 ARIMA Question

Suppose that  $X_t$  is an  $ARMA(p, q)$  process:

$$X_t = .5X_{t-1} + W_t - 0.7W_{t-1} + 0.1W_{t-2}$$

where  $W_t$  are IID  $N(0, 1)$ .

**(a) Find  $p$  and  $q$ . (Be sure to check for model redundancy.)**

From our structural representation via the backshift operator  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$  we get the polynomials

$\phi(z) = (1 - .5z)$  and  $\theta(z) = (1 - 0.7z + 0.1z^2)$  checking for common roots

We see that  $\theta(z) = (1 - 0.5z)(1 - 0.2z)$  so there is a common factor of  $(1 - 0.5z)$

This means our model is a  $ARMA(0,2)=MA(1)$  rather than a  $ARMA(2,2)$ .

**(b) Show that  $X_t$  is invertible.**

Since the roots of  $\theta(z)$  are outside the unit circle, the ARIMA process is invertible.



**(c) Find the ACF of  $X_t$  explicitly.**

$$X_t = W_t - 0.2W_{t-1}$$

We have  $E(X_t) = 0$  and putting our model into  $cov(x_{t+h}, x_t)$  and collecting terms we have that

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 (1 + \theta^2) & h = 0 \\ \sigma_w^2 \theta & h = 1 \\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 1.04 & h = 0 \\ \sigma_w^2 0.2 & h = 1 \\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

From which we get

$$\rho(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & h = 0 \\ 0.1923077 & h = 1 \\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

Originally I worked through the problem as if there were no shared term. The recipe below is what I put together given that the roots for  $\phi(z)$  and  $\theta(z)$  lie outside the unit circle.

Since the root of  $\phi(z)$  lies outside the unit circle, the process is causal and we can write the time series as a one sided linear process  $x_t = \psi(B)w_t$  from which we have  $E[x_t] = 0$ . So  $\gamma(h) = cov(x_{t+h}, x_t) = \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_{j+h}\psi_j$

For a causal ARIMA model we have that the coefficients must satisfy

$$\phi(z)\psi(x) = \theta(z)$$

and we can perform a coefficient matching to extract the values of  $\psi_j$  to use in  $\gamma(h)$

$$(\psi_0 + \psi_1 z + \psi_2 z^2)(\phi_0 + \phi_1 z) = (\theta_0 + \theta_1 z + \theta_2 z^2)$$

Putting this in the expression for  $\gamma(h)$  we have that

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 (\psi_0^2 + \psi_1^2 + \psi_2^2) & h = 0 \\ \sigma_w^2 (\psi_0\psi_1 + \psi_1\psi_2) & h = 1 \\ \sigma_w^2 (\psi_0\psi_2) & h = 2 \\ 0 & h > 2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\rho(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & h = 0 \\ \frac{(\psi_0\psi_1+\psi_1\psi_2)}{(\psi_0^2+\psi_1^2+\psi_2^2)} & h = 1 \\ \frac{(\psi_0\psi_2)}{(\psi_0^2+\psi_1^2+\psi_2^2)} & h = 2 \\ 0 & h > 2 \end{cases}$$