

Homework #2

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Consider a signal-plus-noise model of the general for $x_t = s_t + w_t$ for $t: [1, 100]$ where $s_t =$

$$\begin{cases} 0 & t : [1, 100] \\ 10 \exp(-\frac{t-100}{20}) \cos(\frac{2\pi t}{4}) & t : [101, 200] \end{cases}$$

and w_t is Gaussian White Noise with $\sigma_w^2 = 1$

- Simulate (`set.seed(123)`) and plot $n = 200$ observations from the model
- Although the model is not stationary, the ACF can be informative. For the data you generated, plot the ACF then comment

a

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set.seed(123)

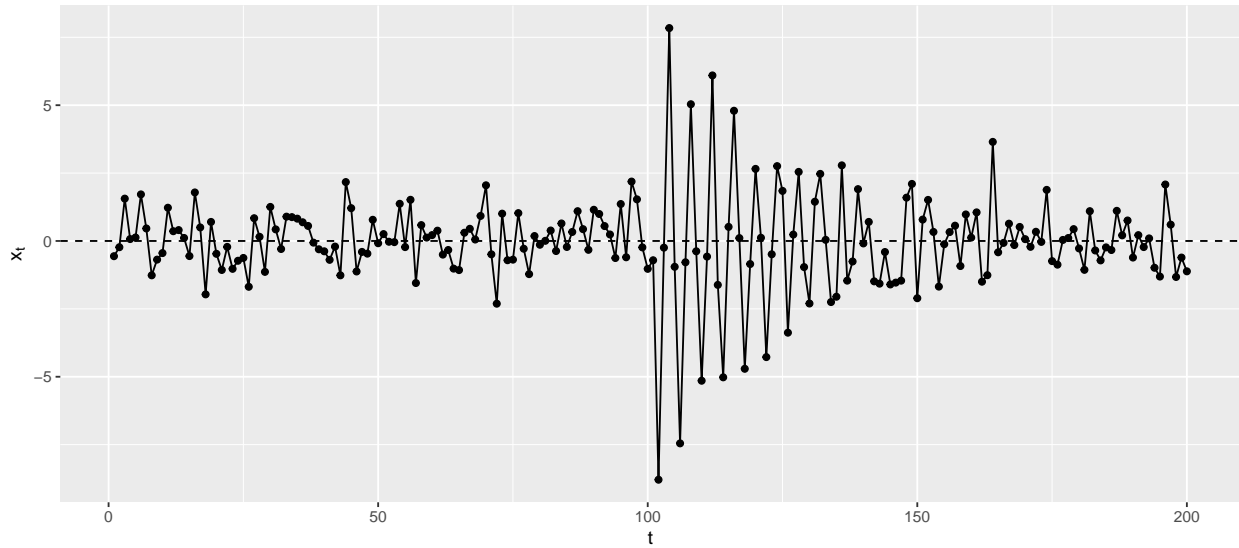
generateSignal <- function(n, cutoff) {
  # assume standard gaussian white noise
  w <- rnorm(n)

  # generate a signal (s)
  s <- function(t, cutoff) {
    ifelse(t <= cutoff, 0, 10 * exp(-(t - 100)/(20)) * cos((2 * pi * t)/(4)))
  }

  # combine white noise and signal
  w + sapply(seq(1, n), function(x) s(x, cutoff))
}

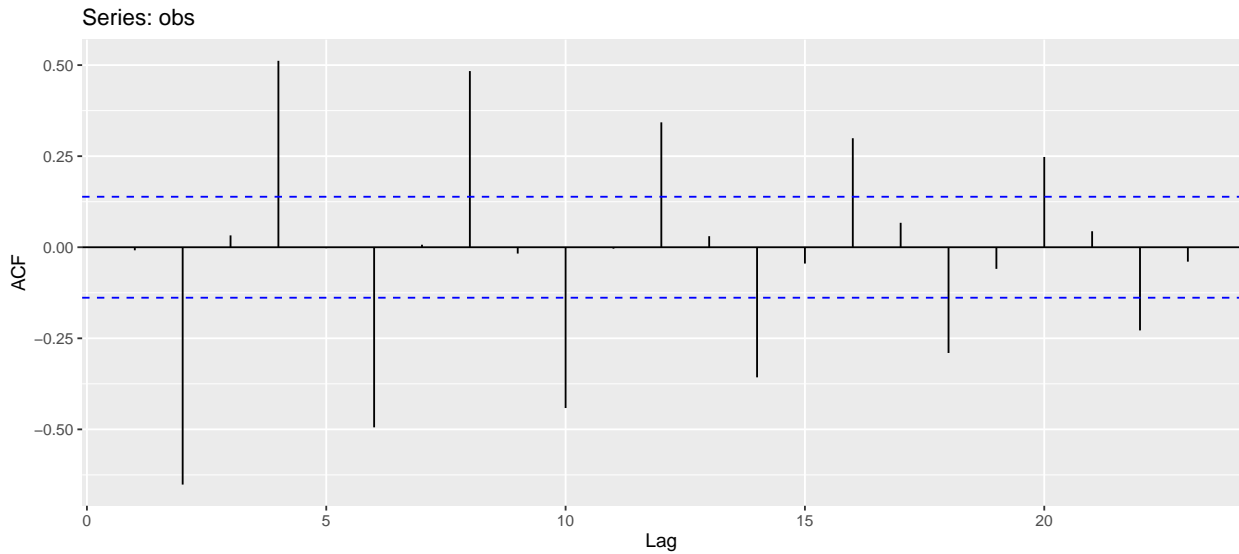
obs <- generateSignal(200, 100)

obs %>%
  enframe %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = name, y = value)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0, linetype = "dashed") +
  geom_line() +
  ylab(expression(x[t])) +
  xlab("t")
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b

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autoplot(acf(obs, type = "correlation", plot = FALSE))
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As the comparison between the current value and the number of lags increases, correlation slightly decreases yet remains significant. This is typically indicative of a trend within the data. The correlation value oscillates between positive and negative values for every other lag indicating that the dependence between the current value and the subsequent lags is *negative*. This can be confirmed by the scatterplot which shows choppiness from $t = 100, \dots, 140$.

Additionally, even-numbered lags are significantly correlated with the current value of the time series. This may indicate that there is consistent interference with the data based on a multiple of 2. This makes sense since with know $\cos(\frac{2\pi t}{4})$ is a component of the signal and thus its frequency being $\frac{1}{4}$.