

# Time Series Analysis

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## 2.4 Kullback-Leibler Information

To begin with the p.d.f of  $f(y; \theta_1)$ ,  $f(y; \theta_2)$ ,  $\theta = (\beta', \sigma^2)$

$$f(y; \theta_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det(\sigma_1^2)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)' \sigma_1^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)\right) \quad (1a)$$

$$f(y; \theta_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det(\sigma_2^2)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)\right) \quad (1b)$$

Then substitute the (1a) and (1b) in (2)

$$I(\theta_1; \theta_2) = n^{-1} \mathbb{E}_1 \log \frac{f(y; \theta_1)}{f(y; \theta_2)} \quad (2)$$

convert to the integral expression (3)

$$\begin{aligned} I(\theta_1; \theta_2) &= n^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \log\left(\frac{f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1)}{f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_2)}\right) f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1) d\mathbf{Y} \\ &= n^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \log\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)' \sigma_1^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)\right) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)\right) f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1) d\mathbf{Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left[\log\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)' \sigma_1^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_2)\right] f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1) d\mathbf{Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \log\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right) n - \frac{n}{2} + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1 + \beta_1 - \beta_2)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1 + \beta_1 - \beta_2) f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1) d\mathbf{Y} \right\} \\ &= \log\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \{ (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1) + 2(\mathbf{Y} - \beta_1)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\beta_1 - \beta_2) + (\beta_1 - \beta_2)' \sigma_2^{-2} (\beta_1 - \beta_2) \} f(\mathbf{Y}; \theta_1) d\mathbf{Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \log \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} - 1 + \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\beta_1 - \beta_2)' (\beta_1 - \beta_2)}{n \sigma_2^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

## 2.5 Model Selection

Finding an unbiased estimator for  $\mathbb{E}_1[I(\beta_1, \sigma_1^2; \hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2)]$  where

$$I(\beta_1, \sigma_1^2; \hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \log \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} - 1 + \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\beta_1 - \beta_2)'(\beta_1 - \beta_2)}{n\sigma_2^2} \quad (4)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \frac{n\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma_1^2} \sim \chi_{n-k}^2 \\ \eta &= \frac{(\hat{\beta} - \beta)' \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{Z} (\hat{\beta} - \beta)}{\sigma_1^2} \sim \chi_k^2 \\ \zeta &= \frac{n\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma_1^2}{(\hat{\beta} - \beta)' \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{Z} (\hat{\beta} - \beta)/\sigma_1^2} \frac{n-k}{k} \sim F(k, n-k) \end{aligned} \quad (5a)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_1\left(\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}\right) &= \frac{n}{n-k-2} \\ \mathbb{E}_1\left(\log \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}\right) &= -\log \sigma_1^2 + \mathbb{E}_1 \log \hat{\sigma}^2 \\ \mathbb{E}_1\left(\frac{(\beta_1 - \beta_2)'(\beta_1 - \beta_2)}{n\sigma_2^2}\right) &= \frac{n-k}{n-k-2} \frac{k}{n-k} = \frac{k}{n-k-2} \end{aligned} \quad (5b)$$

Therefore, the expectation of (4) could be

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_1[I(\beta_1, \sigma_1^2; \hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2)] &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{n}{n-k-2} - \log \sigma_1^2 + \mathbb{E}_1 \log \hat{\sigma}^2 + \frac{k}{n-k-2} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( -\log \sigma_1^2 + \mathbb{E}_1 \log \hat{\sigma}^2 + \frac{n+k}{n-k-2} - 1 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

## 2.8 glacial varve

(a)

(1) shows the original and log-transformed varves with its respective first and second half variation

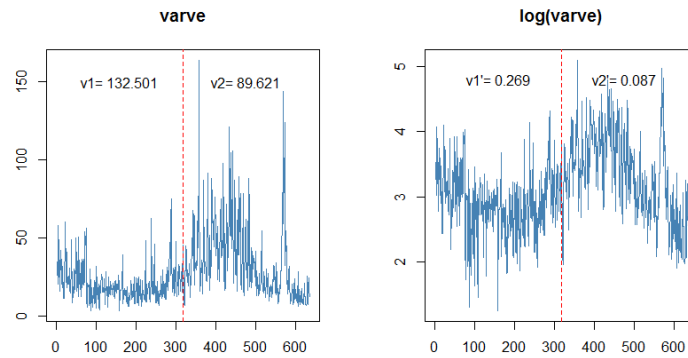


Figure 1: *varves* (top) compared with log transformed *varves* (bottom)

It is clear that the first half sample exhibits more *heterosecdasticity* implying by the sample variance. Plot the histograms of  $x_t$  and  $y_t = \log(x_t)$  in (2) to see whether the normality is improved

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1 len1 <- length( varve )
2 par(mfrow=c(1,2))
3 #1
4 plot( varve , main="varve", ylab="", xlab='', col='steelblue' )
5 abline( v=len1/2, col='red', lty=2)
6 v1 <- var( varve[1:len1/2])
7 v2 <- var( varve[len1/2:len1])
8 text( len1/4, 150, paste( 'v1=', round(v1,3)))
9 text( 3*len1/4, 150, paste( 'v2=', round(v2,3)))
10 #2
11 plot( log( varve ), main="log( varve)", ylab="", xlab='', col='steelblue' )
12 abline( v=len1/2, col='red', lty=2)
13 v1_ln <- var( log( varve[1:len1/2]))
14 v2_ln <- var( log( varve[len1/2:len1]))
15 text( len1/4, 4.8, paste( 'v1\ '=, round(v1_ln,3)))
16 text( 3*len1/4, 4.8, paste( 'v2\ '=, round(v2_ln,3)))

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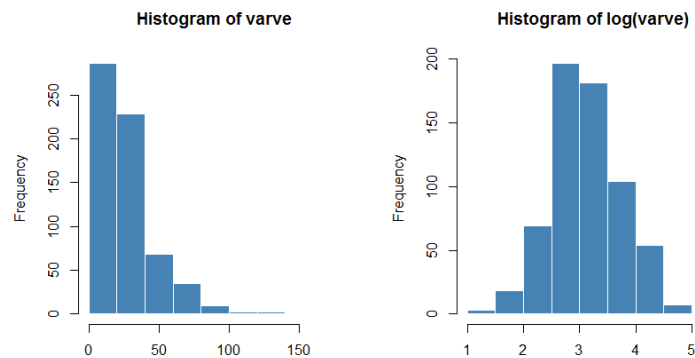


Figure 2: the histogram of *varves*(top) and *varves*(bottom)

From (2), we could conclude that log-transformed could improved the normality of the data. Furthermore, by quantile testing, original correlation value is 0.896. However, the log-transformed correlation value is 0.997, which is improved significantly.

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1 par( mfrow=c(2,1))
2 hist( varve , col='steelblue', border='white', xlab='')
3 hist( log( varve ), col='steelblue', border='white', xlab='')
4 # correlation testing
5 #1
6 q1 <- qqnorm( varve )
7 #2
8 q2 <- qqnorm( log( varve ))
9 cor( q1$x, q1$y)
10 cor( q2$x, q2$y)

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(b)

Kernel smoother  $m_t = \sum_{i=-50}^{50} w_{t+i}(t)y_t$ . (3) uses weights  $a_{-50} = a_{-49} = \dots = a_{50} = 0.01; k = 100$ . This particular method removes the obvious annual temperature cycle and helps emphasize the overall trend.

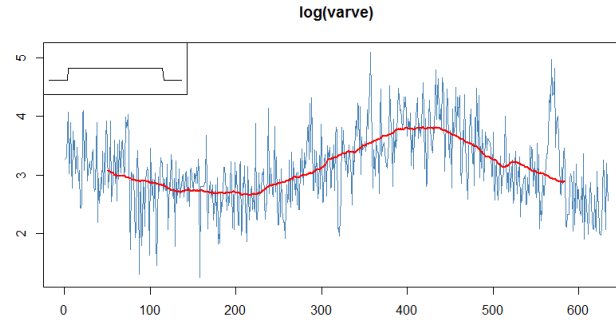


Figure 3: The moving average of  $y_t$ . The insert shows the shapes of the kernel

From the (3), we observed the comparable tendency of *varves* to that observed in the global temperature records

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1 y <- log(varve)
2 # log-transformed
3 plot(y, col='steelblue', main='log(varve)', ylab='', xlab='')
4 w1 <- rep(1,100)/100
5 y_w1 <- filter(y, sides = 2, filter = w1)
6 # moving average
7 lines(y_w1, col='red', lwd=2)
8 par(fig = c(0, 0.35, .5, 1), new = TRUE) # the insert
9 nwgt = c(rep(0,20), w1, rep(0,20))
10 # kernel function
11 plot(nwgt, type='l', xaxt='n', ylim=c(-0.01,0.03), yaxt='n', main='', xlab='', ylab='')
```

(c)

The definition of ACF in (7)

$$\rho(s, t) = \frac{\gamma(s, t)}{\sqrt{\gamma(s, s)\gamma(t, t)}} \quad (7)$$

Examine the sample ACF and plot in (4) to comment, which (4) reflects that ACF of  $y_t$  peaking at  $lag=1$  and remaining the same level regardless the  $lag$ . To comment on,  $y_t$  is not a stationary process.

```
1 acf(y, main='log(varve)')
```

(d)

Compute the difference  $u_t = y_t - y_{t-1}$  and examine its time plot and sample ACF in (5)

From the sample ACF of  $u_t$  in (5), we conclude that because the value is near zeros when  $lag$  is larger than 2,  $u_t$  is stationary process.

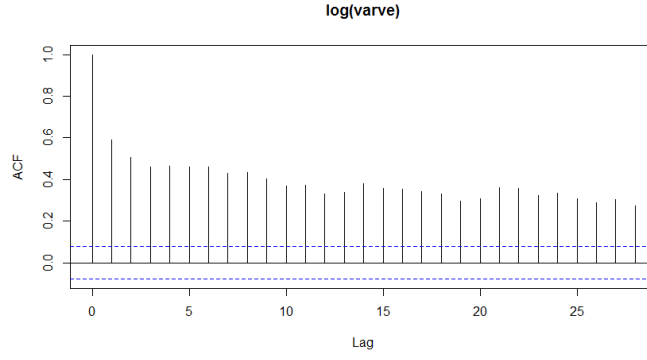


Figure 4: ACF of  $y_t$

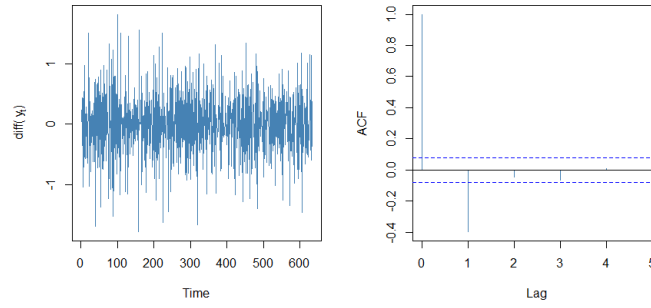


Figure 5: Time plot of  $u_t$ (top) and sample ACF(bottom)

Therefore the practical interpretation of  $u_t$ , recall *footnote*  $\log(1+p) \approx p - \frac{p^2}{2} + \frac{p^3}{3} - \dots$  for  $-1 < p \leq 1$ . If  $p$  is near zero, the higher-order terms in the expansion are negligible

$$u_t = y_t - y_{t-1} = \log(x_t) - \log(x_{t-1}) = \log\left(\frac{x_t}{x_{t-1}} - 1 + 1\right) \approx \frac{x_t}{x_{t-1}} - 1 \quad (8)$$

So,  $x_{t-1}(u_t + 1) \approx x_t$ , the practical interpretation of  $u_t$  is the increase ratio.

(e)

The generalization of the model is  $m_t = \alpha + \beta_1 u_t + \beta_2 u_{t-1}$ , the ACF of the stationary process could be expressed as (9)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(h) &= \frac{\gamma(t+h, t)}{\sqrt{\gamma(t+h, t+h)\gamma(t, t)}} = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)} \\ &= \frac{\hat{\gamma}(h)}{\hat{\gamma}(0)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta_1 \beta_2}{\beta_1^2 + \beta_2^2} & h = 1 \\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

The (9) is according with the ACF of the difference of  $u_t$ , which is near zero after  $lag \geq 2$ . Therefore, the model is reasonable.

Assume  $u_t = \mu + w_t + \theta w_{t-1}$ , where  $w_t$  are assumed independent with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma_w^2$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_u(0) &= \text{var}(\mu + w_t + \theta w_{t-1}) \stackrel{w_t \perp w_{t-1}}{=} \sigma_w^2(1 + \theta^2) \\ \gamma_u(\pm 1) &= \text{cor}(u_{t\pm 1}, u_t) = \theta \text{cor}(w_t, w_t) = \theta \sigma_w^2 \\ \gamma_u(h) &= \text{cor}(\mu + w_{t+h} + \theta w_{t+h-1}, \mu + w_t + \theta w_{t-1}) = 0 \quad |h| > 1 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

From (10), we could show that

$$\gamma_u(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2(1 + \theta^2) & h = 0 \\ \theta\sigma_w^2 & h = \pm 1 \\ 0 & |h| > 1 \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

(f)

Derive the parameters by equating sample moments to theoretical moments.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\rho}_u(1) &= \frac{\gamma_u(1)}{\gamma_u(0)} = \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta^2} \\ \hat{\gamma}_u(0) &= \sigma_w^2(1 + \theta^2) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

By solving (12), we obtain the estimator of  $\theta, \sigma_w^2$  in (13)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\theta} &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\hat{\rho}_u^2(1)}}{2} \\ \hat{\sigma}_w^2 &= \frac{\hat{\gamma}_u(0)}{1 + \hat{\theta}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

## 2.10

(a)

Plot the *oil* and *gas* on the same graph, which is most resemble to the *random walk with drift*,  $x_t = \delta + x_{t-1} + w_t$

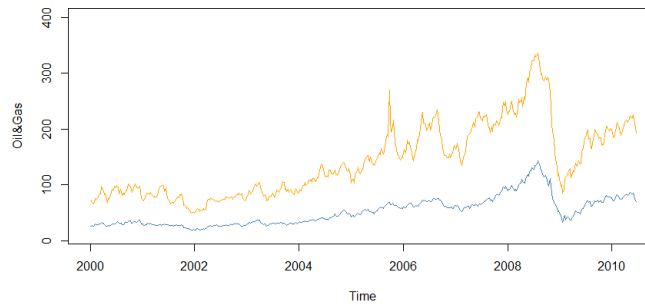


Figure 6: Time plot of oil and gas

From the (6), it is clear that these two data are not stationary because the **mean** of the data is keeping increasing, which contradicts with the same **mean** definition of stationary process.

```
1 plot(oil, type='l', ylim=c(10, 400), ylab='Oil&Gas', col='steelblue')
2 lines(gas, col='orange')
```

(b)

The transformation  $y_t = \nabla \log x_t$  could be expressed in (14)

$$y_t = \nabla \log x_t = \log\left(\frac{x_t}{x_{t-1}} - 1 + 1\right) \approx \frac{x_t}{x_{t-1}} - 1 \quad (14)$$

So,  $\nabla \log x_t$  is the percentage change in price, which is important in economics.

(c)

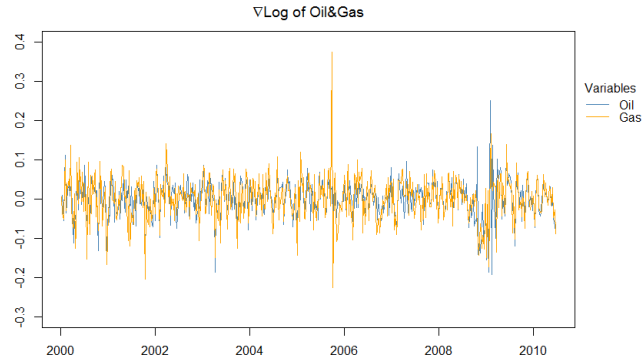


Figure 7:  $\nabla \log *$  transformation plot of oil and gas

In (7), we could conclude that, after the  $\nabla \log *$  transformation, the time series are intuitively stationary (stay the same mean and variance). Then we plot the sample ACFs for more details

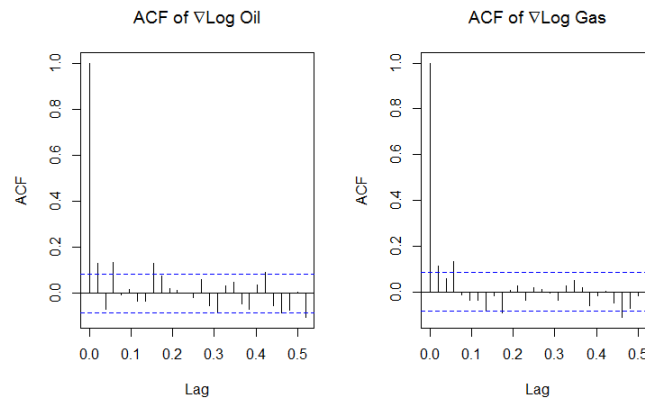


Figure 8: sample ACFs plot of transformed oil and gas

The (8) shows the ACFs plot. We could discover that the autocorrelation decreases after  $\text{lag} \geq 2$ , which implies that the transformed time series is somehow stationary and is similar to the  $MA(1)$  model.

```
1 par(mfrow=c(1,2))
2 acf(diff(log(oil)), main=expression(paste('ACF of ', nabla, 'Log Oil')))
3 acf(diff(log(gas)), main=expression(paste('ACF of ', nabla, 'Log Gas')))
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(d)

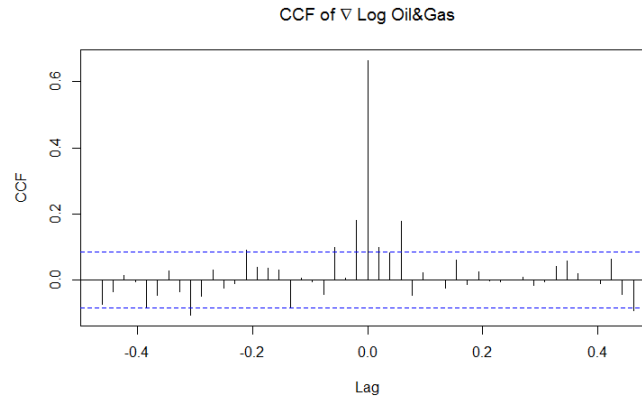


Figure 9: CCF plot of transformed oil and gas

In the Fig(9), the CCF of transformed oil and gas decline when lag or lead is getting larger. However, when gas leads oil about 3 steps, the plot shows relative small but significant peak which could be interpreted as the feedback of gas to oil. So, it is reasonable to propose that the turbulence of the gas price could affect the oil price in the same direct about 3 steps later

```
1 ccf(diff(log(oil)), diff(log(gas)),
2     main=expression(paste('CCF of ', nabla, ' Log Oil&Gas')),
3     ylab='CCF')
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(e)

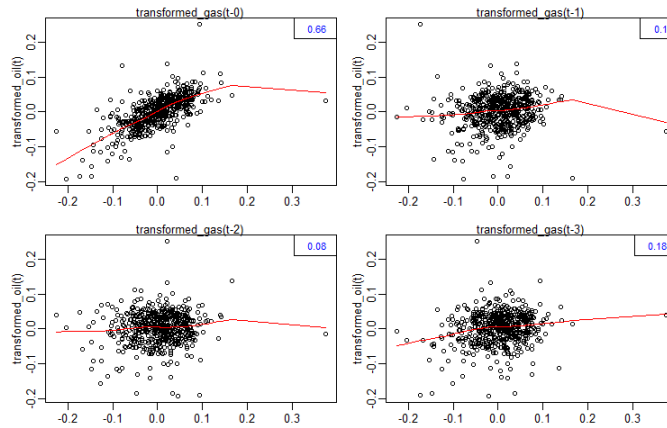


Figure 10: Scatterplots of the oil and gas growth rate series

We plot catterplots of the oil and gas growth rate series for up to three weeks of lead time of oil prices( $gas_{(t-3,t-2,t-1,t-0)}$ ,  $oil_t$ ) and adds a lowess<sup>1</sup> smoother in each scatterplot

<sup>1</sup>First, a certain proportion of nearest neighbors to  $x_t$  are included in a weighting scheme; values closer to  $x_t$  in time get more weight. Then, a robust weighted regression is used to predict  $x_t$  and obtain the smoothed values  $m_t$ . The larger the fraction of nearest neighbors included, the smoother the fit will be. In Fig(10), one smoother uses 5% of the data to obtain the estimate of the data.



The Fig(10) indicate the nonlinear relationship between the gas and oil in three weeks lead. However, besides the high correlation when  $t = 0$  which is  $0.66$ , we notice some outliers in the plots which could play a significant role in the lowess regression due to its reweighted procedures. As a result, we implicate that the gas has somehow small correlation with oil in terms of lead 3, indicated in plot is  $0.18$ .

```
1 transformed_gas <- diff(log(gas))
2 transformed_oil <- diff(log(oil))
3 par(mfrow=c(1,3))
4 lag2.plot(transformed_gas, transformed_oil, 3)
```

(f)

Many researchers questioned that whether gasoline prices respond more quickly when oil prices are rising than when oil prices are falling ('asymmetry')

(i)

Fit the regression

$$G_t = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 I_t + \beta_1 O_t + \beta_2 O_{t-1} + w_t \quad (15)$$

where  $I_t = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } O_t \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$  ( $I_t$  is the indicator of no growth or positive growth in oil price)

```
1 indi <- ifelse(transformed_oil < 0, 0, 1)
2 mess <- ts.intersect(transformed_gas, transformed_oil,
3                       poilL = lag(transformed_oil, -1), indi)
4 summary(fit <- lm(transformed_gas ~ transformed_oil + poilL + indi, data=mess))
```

Table 1: The summary of the regression

	Estimate	Std.Error	t value	$Pr(>  t )$
$\alpha_1$	-0.00645	0.003464	-1.86	0.06338
$\alpha_2$	0.012368	0.005516	2.242	0.02534
$\beta_1$	0.683127	0.058369	11.704	0
$\beta_2$	0.111927	0.038554	2.903	0.00385

(ii)

We separete the regression result into different scenario, the negativity of  $O_t$  and the positivity of  $O_t$  and obtain the regression equation respectively.

When  $O_t$  is negative

$$G_t = -0.006445 + 0.683127 O_t + 0.111927 O_{t-1} \quad (16a)$$

and when  $O_t$  is positive

$$G_t = 0.005923 + 0.683127 O_t + 0.111927 O_{t-1} \quad (16b)$$

However, these equations do not indicate the rapidity of the gas prices response, neither does the asymmetry hypothesis.

(iii)

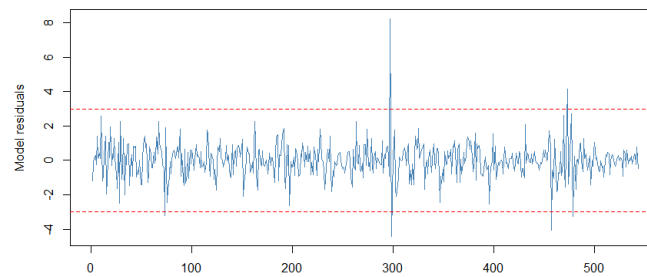


Figure 11: The residual of the model fit

In the Fig(11), we plot the standardized residuals from the model fit in order to further understand the meanings of the residuals. We calibrate the residuals by divide it by  $MSE$  to discover the outliers. Besides, the residuals show stationary property(same mean and stable variance)

```
1 ts.plot( fit$residuals/sd( fit$residuals ),
2         ylab='Model residuals ',
3         xlab=' ')
4 abline( h=3, col='red ', lty=2)
5 abline( h=-3, col='red ', lty=2)
6 anova( fit )
```