Assignment 1:

7. (i) Explain how one can determine how to improve the predicted popularity of an article with either of the regression models considered here.

For GLM model, after comparing the positive estimate values, the largest one is n_tokens_title, which means that this variable has the most significant effect on the predicted popularity. If n_tokens_title is improved, the predicted popularity of an article will also improved. Besides, some other significant variables such as "num_imgs", "global_subjectivity", "kw_min_max" and so on are also important positive effect on the predicted popular. Improving them can also improve the predicted popularity. Additionally, "data_channel_is_socmed" is also a positive effect. In other words, if we want to improve shares, improving the data come from the channel socmed is a good choice. In terms of negative effect, the variables "n_tokens_content", "LDA_02", "data_channel_is_entertainment" are significant variables to have negative effect on the predicted popularity. In order to improve shares, reducing the value of these variables and avoiding the data coming from the channel entertainment is a good choice.

For logistic regression model, after comparing the positive estimate values, the largest is n_non_stop_words, which means that n_non_stop_words will increase the probability of the articles which will have more than 1000 shares. Therefore, it could also be explained that increase the values of the variables which have positive effect mentioned above can improve the probability of the articles which will have more than 1000 shares. Moreover, to decrease the values of the variables which have mentioned in GLM model can reduce the probability of the articles which will have more than 1000 shares.

(ii) Using your two fitted regression models, identify the articles with the highest predicted popularity and predicted probability of being popular.

I use command lines which are listed below to predict the articles with the highest predicted popularity and predicted probability of being popular by using GLM and logistic model.

The prediction result of using GLM model is:

http://mashable.com/2013/05/20/dove-ad-most-watche/

The prediction result of using logistic model is:

http://mashable.com/2013/08/30/3d-fax-machine/

(iii) For each of your two fitted regression models, list the attributes of two hypothetical articles (fake news?) which would give the highest possible predicted popularity and predicted probability of being popular, respectively. You should give values for every attribute, but for each variable, keep them within the range seen in the dataset.

For GLM:

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> fake_high
                                                 url timedelta n_tokens_title n_tokens_content
2766 http://mashable.com/2013/02/24/oscar-comic/
                                                            683
     n_unique_tokens n_non_stop_words n_non_stop_unique_tokens num_hrefs num_self_
0.9523809 0.9999999 0.9999999 1
     num_imgs num_videos average_token_length num_keywords data_channel_is_lii
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2766
           .channel_is_tech data_channel_is_world kw_min_min kw_max_min kw_avg_min kw_min_max
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2766
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                    avg_max kw_min_avg kw_max_avg kw_avg_avg self_reference_min_shares
46475 1361.269 4401.559 3078.135 0
     kw_max_max kw
2766
     self_reference_max_shares self_reference_avg_sharess weekday_is_monday weekday_is_tuesday
                               0
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     weekday_is_wednesday weekday_is_thursday weekday_is_friday weekday_is_saturday
2766
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                                  1 0.0250579 0.7746682 0.02501979 0.15025 0.02500413
2766
             subjectivity global_sentiment_polarity global_rate_positive_words
2766
                      0.3
                                                0.125
                                                                         0.04761905
            rate_negative_words rate_positive_words rate_negative_words avg_positive_polarity_
2766
                             max_positive_polarity avg_negative_p
2766
                        0.25
                                               0.25
                   polarity
2766
         title_sentiment_polarity shares
2766
                                 0.6
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For logistic model:

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> fake_high1
                                                            url timedelta n_tokens_title
16466 http://mashable.com/2013/11/21/iran-blocks-cryptocat/
                                                                      413
      n_tokens_content n_unique_tokens n_non_stop_words n_non_stop_unique_tokens num_hrefs
                    190
                               0.6460674
                _hrefs num_imgs num_videos average_token_length num_keywords
16466
                             0
                                         0
                                                        4.910526
16466
16466
                                                   0
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      kw_avg_min kw_min_max kw_max_max kw_avg_max kw_min_avg kw_max_avg kw_avg_avg
416.3333 3300 843300 381600 2350 10407 4478.21
16466
      self_reference_min_shares self_reference_max_shares self_reference_avg_sharess
                          652900
       weekday_is_monday weekday_is_tuesday weekday_is_wednesday weekday_is_thursday
16466
                       0
                         weekday_is_saturday weekday_is_sunday is_weekend
16466
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                       0
                                             0
                                  LDA_04 global_subjectivity global_sentiment_polarity
                      LDA 03
16466 0.03339501 0.03339858 0.03333455
                                                    0.4916667
                                                                                0.2354167
      global_rate_positive_words global_rate_negative_words rate_positive_words
16466
                       0.02631579
      rate_negative_words avg_positive_polarity min_positive_polarity max_positive_polarity
16466
                                         0.3266667
                                                                       0.1
16466
                                                                    sentiment_polari
16466
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(iv) Based on your analysis of dependence between variables in the dataset, comment on whether or not these hypothetical articles could be produced.

I think this article can be produced because all of the values from different variables have met the requirement to be produced.

Assignment 2:

Part I Re-analysis of the UCI online news popularity dataset

1. Choose a suitable generalised linear model and suitable link function and explain these decisions. Fit the model to the data and report summary results.

We need to use a generalised linear model(glm) and a non-negative distribution to predict number of shares for a new article. Because the values of shares which is dependent variable are count variable of type and independent variables are continuous and categorical variables, there are three distributions of glm could be used to deal with dataset, such as gaussian regression, poisson regression and gamma regression and negative binomial regression. To find a suitable glm, I compare AIC and RMSE and R^2 of these three glm of different distribution. The form and snapshots of these details are listed below.

(1) Dispersion parameter for poisson family

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(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
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Null deviance: 257399786 on 38803 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 231196242 on 38759 degrees of freedom AIC: 231557948
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(2) Dispersion parameter for gamma family

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(Dispersion parameter for Gamma family taken to be 7.278776)
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Null deviance: 50868 on 38803 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 43533 on 38759 degrees of freedom
AIC: 702279
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Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 14

(3) Dispersion parameter for gaussian family

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(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 135024180)
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Null deviance: 5.3348e+12 on 38803 degrees of freedom Residual deviance: 5.2334e+12 on 38759 degrees of freedom
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AIC: 836616

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

(4) Dispersion parameter for negative binomial family

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(Dispersion parameter for Negative Binomial(1.0261) family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 52172 on 38803 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 44649 on 38759 degrees of freedom
AIC: 701818
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Deviance is a measure of goodness of fit of a model. Higher numbers always indicates bad fit. The null deviance shows how well the response variable is predicted by a model that includes only the intercept (grand mean) where as residual with inclusion of independent variables. Comparing the null deviance value of different family type, we could found that the null deviance value of gamma family is smaller than others, which means gamma regression is better fit of glm.

	AIC	RMSE	R^2
Poisson	231557948	11661.01	0.101801
Gamma	702279	94724.52	0.1441833
Gaussian	836616	11628.08	0.01900314
negative binomial	701818	94012.61	0.1441977

The Akaike information criterion (AIC) is a mathematical method for evaluating how well a model fits the data it was generated from. In statistics, AIC is used to compare different possible models and determine which one is the best fit for the data. The smaller the value of AIC, the better the model fitted.

From the form listed above, we could find that the value of AIC of gamma regression and negative binomial are smaller.

R-squared measures the strength of the relationship between linear model and the dependent variables on a 0 - 100% scale, which means that the higher the value of R-squared, the better the model fitted.

From the form listed above, we could find that the value of R-squared of gamma regression and negative binomial are higher.

The RMSE is the square root of the square root of the deviation between the observed value and the truth value and the ratio of the observed number. Thus, it's always used to measure the deviation between the observed value and the truth value. It is more sensitive to outliers. This means that the smaller the value of RMSE, the better the model fitted.

From the form listed above, we could find that the value of RMSE of poisson regression and gaussian regression are smaller.

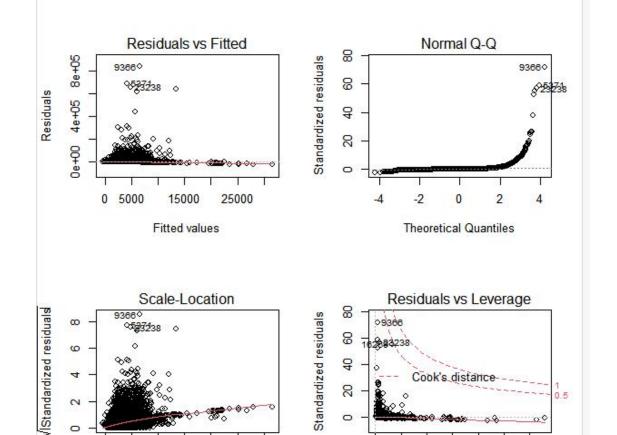
From what has been discussed above, although the value of RMSE of gamma is not the smallest one, the values of AIC and R-squared and null deviance of gamma regression are better than other regressions. Therefore, I decide to use glm with gamma regression and its link function of log.

2. Produce a 95% predictive interval for each fitted model (ignore uncertainty with respect to model parameters). Compare the results from using this model with those from using a multiple linear regression model (= general linear model) which you would have run for assignment 1. Include consideration of significant variables, measures of goodness of fit, predictive intervals and related plots. Discuss theoretical and practical differences between the two models.

When I use summary() function of multiple linear regression model(mlr) and generalised linear model(glm), I found that significant variables of mlr are num hrefs and num self hrefs and data channel is entertainment and data channel is tech and data_channel_is_world, significant variables of glm are n_tokens_title and n tokens content and num hrefs and num self hrefs and num keywords and data_channel_is_world .

(1) Plots of measures of goodness of fit of mlr

5000



(a)Linearity From the Residuals vs Fitted plot, we could found that the red line is almost flat at

25000

15000

Fitted values

0

0.00

0.02

0.04

Leverage

0.06

zero value of residuals and a large number of points of fitted values are nearly close and some even match the red line, which means the data fit the linearity assumption.

(b)Normal distribution

From the Q-Q plot and Histogram of residuals, we could found that the points are not fitted to the straight line and the density of residuals is skewed to the right. Therefore, these data are not normally distribution.

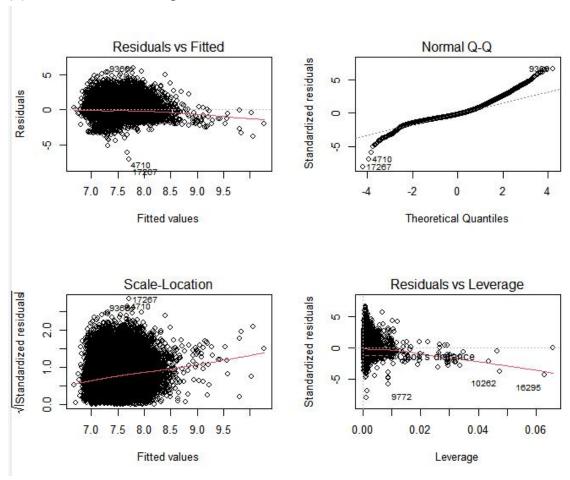
(c)Homoscedasticity

From the Scale-Location plot, it could be found out that the red line is positive, which means that the value of the square root of standardized residuals become larger when fitted values become larger. Therefore, these data are not satisfied the homoscedasticity assumption.

(d)High leverage points

From the Residual vs Leverage plot, the top right corner have no points. This means that there are no extreme values.

(2) Plots of measures of goodness of fit of mlr after transformation

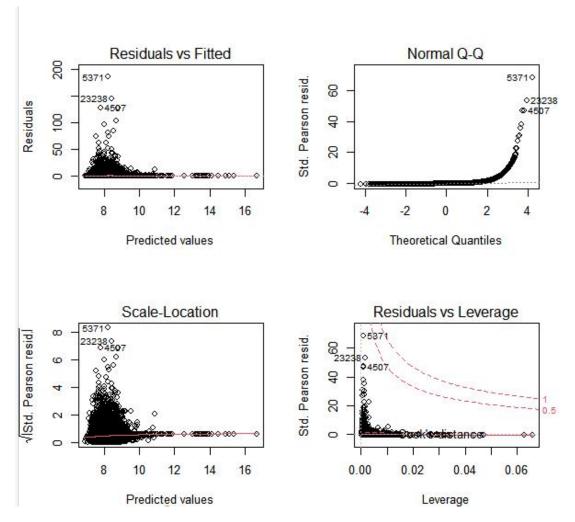


(a) Because the series of data are very different, I take the log of them to make them

become exponential. Specifically, for the data with the attribute: kw_min_min, kw_max_min, kw_avg_min, kw_min_max, kw_max_max, kw_avg_max, kw_min_avg, kw_max_avg, kw_avg_avg. Because the smallest value of these data is -1, which would generate error if taking log of them directly, I add 1 to all the values of these attributes to make them not become negative value and then I take the log of these adjusted values.

(b)From the pictures listed above, from the Q-Q plot and Histogram of residuals, we could found that the points are almost fitted to the straight line. This means that these data are normally distribution after the adjustment.

(3) Plots of measures of goodness of fit of glm before transformation



(a)Linearity

From the Residuals vs Fitted plot, we could found that the red line is almost flat at zero value of residuals and a large number of points of fitted values are nearly close and some even match the red line, which means the data fit the linearity assumption.

(b)Normal distribution

From the Q-Q plot and Histogram of residuals, we could found that the points are not fitted to the straight line and the density of residuals is skewed to the right. Therefore, these data are not normally distribution.

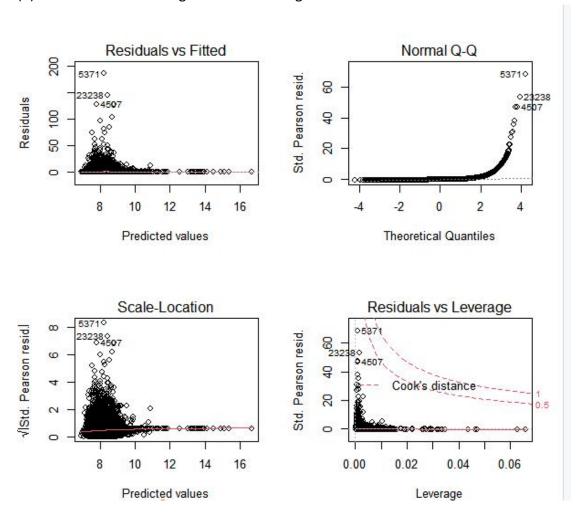
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(4) Plots of measures of goodness of fit of glm after transformation

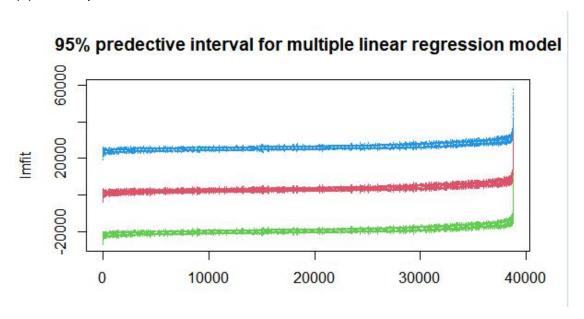


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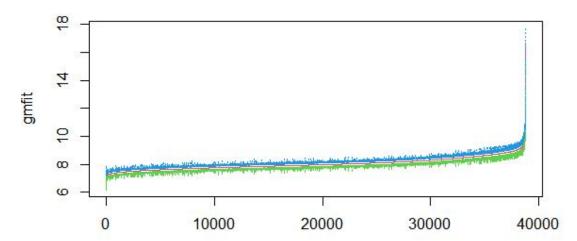
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(5) Plot of predictive interval for two models



95% predective interval for gamma distribution model



The confidence interval is a range of values that's likely to include a population value with a certain degree of confidence. It is often expressed a 95% whereby a population means lies between an upper and lower interval. It measures the degree

of uncertainty or certainty in a sampling method. Wider confidence intervals in relation to the estimate itself indicate instability.

As can be seen from the diagram of the confidence intervals of these two models, we could find that the confidence intervals of mlr is nearly [-20000,21000] and glm is nearly [7,8] with gamma distribution is narrower than mlr. This means glm with gamma distribution is more stable than mlr.

(6) The AIC of mlr is 726471.6 after I use step() function to stepwise regression on mlr and the AIC of glm with gamma distribution is 702279. We could find that AIC of glm with gamma distribution is smaller than mlr, which means glm with gamma distribution is fits the data better.

Part II

3. Check for stationarity and seasonality of the time-series data. Explain how you have done this and include relevant graphs and numerical summaries.

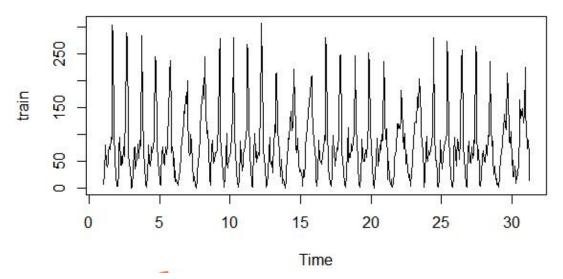
Stationarity means that the statistical properties of a time series (or rather the process generating it) do not change over time. Stationarity is important because many useful analytical tools and statistical tests and models rely on it.

Seasonality is a characteristic of a time series in which the data experiences regular and predictable changes that recur every calendar year. Any predictable fluctuation or pattern that recurs or repeats over a one-year period is said to be seasonal.

Before categorizing the data, I did some processing on the database. The time_id of original dataset is from 1 to 24, but as we all know, when time_id from 1 to 5, there is no passengers to take bus because buses stop running at that time. Therefore, I decide to delete time id from 1 to 5, because these data are noises.

A. time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5)

(1) pictures representing stationary of time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5)

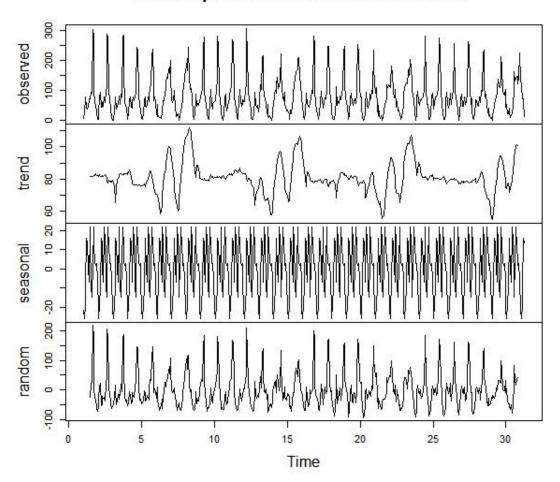


Because the stationary time series data usually shows a process of constant fluctuation around its mean on the graph, while the non-stationary time series data usually shows different means in different time periods (such as continuously rising or falling). Therefore, from the plot of time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5) listed above, we could find out that it shows a process of constant fluctuation around its mean, which means this data is stationary.

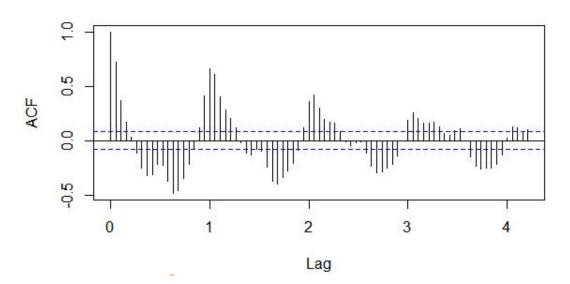
I use adf.test() function to test if my time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5) is value is stationary. From the snapshot listed above, I find that the p-value of these data is smaller than 0.01, which means that the time-series data is stationary. Besides, the alternative hypothesis is also listed by adf.test() funtion, which is represent stationary.

(2) pictures representing seasonality of time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5)

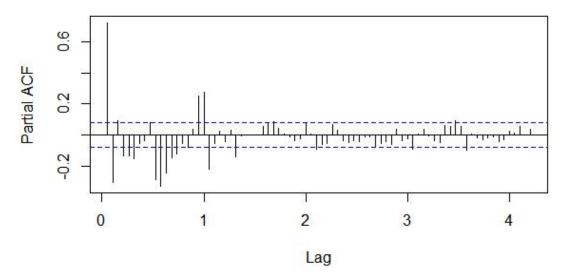
Decomposition of additive time series



Series train



Series train

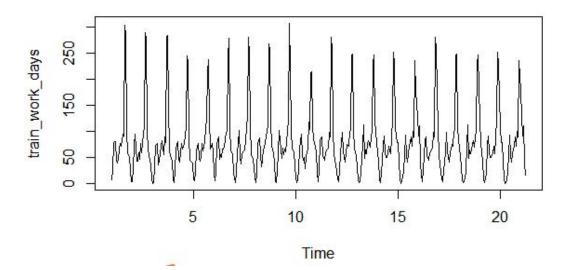


Stationary data is not trend, there is no seasonality; Its mean has a constant amplitude on the time axis, and its variance tends to the same stable value on the time axis.

However from the plot of decomposition of time series data(delete time_id from 1 to 5), we could find out that this data has seasonality, because the curve of seasonal repeats over a specific period. Besides, from the plots of acf and pacf, we could find out that there are spikes at lag 0,1,2,3,4 in the ACF and a single significant spike at lag 0 in the PACF. These also means that this data has seasonality.

B. time series data (delete weekend)

(1) pictures representing stationary of time series data(delete weekend)



Because the stationary time series data usually shows a process of constant fluctuation around its mean on the graph, while the non-stationary time series data usually shows different means in different time periods (such as continuously rising or falling). Therefore, from the plot of time series data (delete weekend) listed above, we could find out that it shows a process of constant fluctuation around its mean, which means this data is stationary.

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> #find stationary
> adf.test(train_work_days)

        Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test

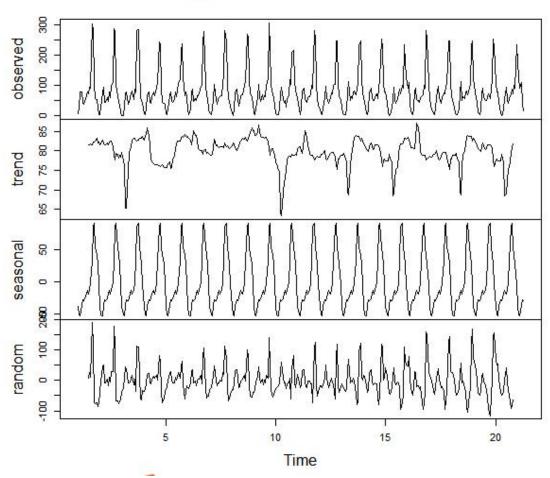
data: train_work_days
Dickey-Fuller = -8.8067, Lag order = 7, p-value = 0.01
alternative hypothesis: stationary

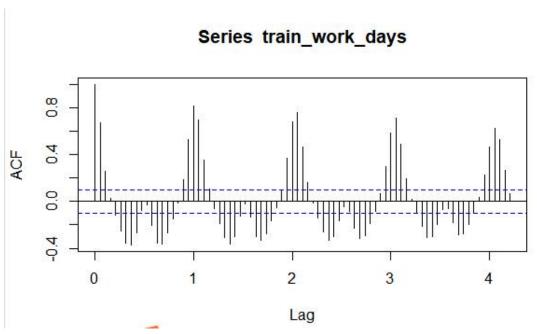
warning message:
In adf.test(train_work_days) : p-value smaller than printed p-value
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I use adf.test() function to test if my time series data (delete weekend) is value is stationary. From the snapshot listed above, I find that the p-value of these data is smaller than 0.01, which means that the time-series data is stationary. Besides, the alternative hypothesis is also listed by adf.test() funtion, which is represent stationary.

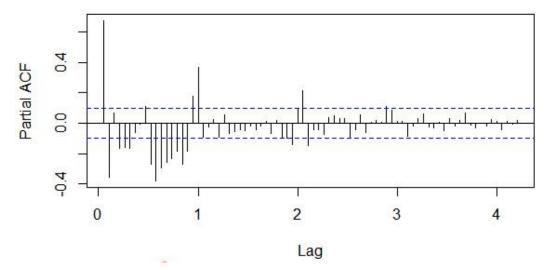
(2) pictures representing seasonality of time series data(delete weekend)

Decomposition of additive time series





Series train_work_days

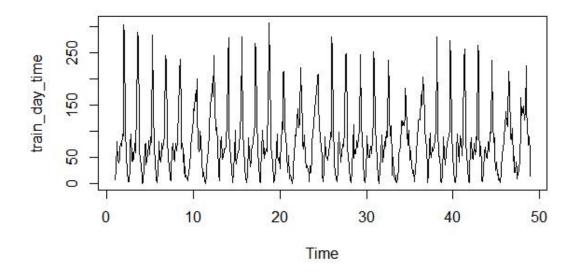


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C. time series data (just take time_id from 6 to 18)

(1) pictures representing stationary of time series data (just take time_id from 6 to 18)

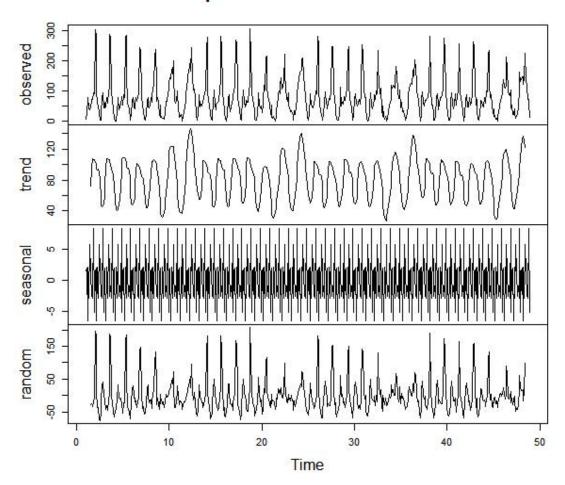


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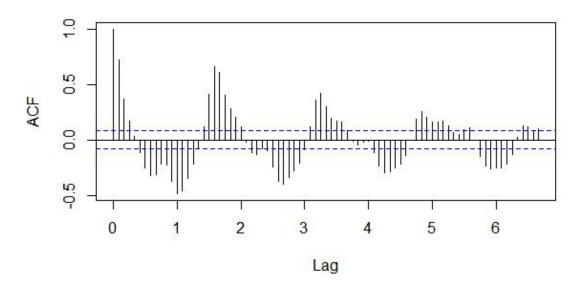
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(2) pictures representing seasonality of time series data (just take time_id from 6 to 18)

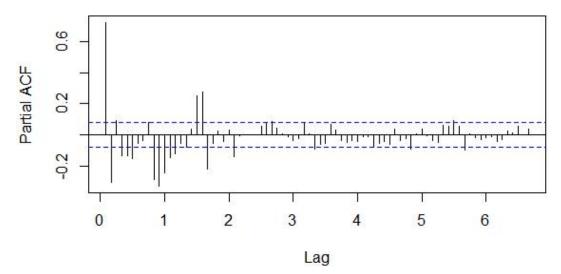
Decomposition of additive time series



Series train_day_time



Series train_day_time



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- 4. Choose and detail each type of model used (including mathematical form and explanation of notation) and some details of how it was fitted. Explain why each model may be suitable for this type of data.
- (1) I use the aggregate() function to build the first model(without a stochastic model), which is based entirely on reasonable summaries from past passengers flow, the formulas of this data are listed below:

$$\label{eq:predict_mean} \begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Predict_mean=(} \sum_{i=1}^{\mathit{amount.days}} \mathit{daily.passengers} \text{)/amount.days} \end{aligned}$$

Predict_mean(except weekend) =
$$(\sum_{i=1}^{amount.days} daily.passengers)$$
/amount.days

This first formula is fit for time series data (just take time_id from 6 to 18) and time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5).

This second formula is fit for time series data(delete weekend).

(2) In terms of building the second one(involve the fitting of a stochastic time series model), I choose to build seasonal arima model.

A time series $\{Xt\}$ is called an autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) process with order p, d, and q, denoted $\{Xt\}$ ~ ARIMA(p, d, q), if its d-th order difference

$$Z_t = (1 - B)^d X_t$$

is a stationary ARMA(p, q) process, where $d \ge 1$ is an integer:

$$b(B)(1-B)^d X_t = a(B)\varepsilon_t$$

{Xt} is called ARIMA as it is the integration of a differenced series {Zt}. ARIMA processes are nonstationary. An ARIMA(p, d, q) model is an ARMA(p + d, q) model.

The extension formula of ARIMA is:

$$\hat{y}_{t} = \mu + \phi_{1} * y_{t-1} + ... + \phi_{n} * y_{t-n} + \theta_{1} * e_{t-1} + ... + \theta_{n} * e_{t-n}$$

ARMA models are not "natural" in most cases and so orders of AR(p) and MA(q) parts are not usually known (they are parameters too) and need to be estimated. There are statistical issues with estimating p and q. These arise largely from the situation that different hypotheses specifying the model give the same model.

Therefore, there are several approaches for order determination.

- Use the autocorrelation function (ACF).
- Use the partial autocorrelation function (PACF).
- Use information criteria such as AIC

The ARIMA(p, d, q) \times (ps, ds, qs)s is a seasonal model, which has a process:

$$(1-\beta_1 B - ... - \beta_p B^P) \times (1-\beta_1^* B^s - ... - \beta_{p^s}^* (B^s)^{p_s}) \times (\delta^d (\delta_s^{d_s} X_t) - \mu$$

=
$$(1-\alpha_1 B - ... - \alpha_q B^q) \times (1-\alpha_1^* B^s - ... - \alpha_{\sigma^s}^* (B^s)^{q_s}) \varepsilon_t$$

From the formula listed above, we could find that the parameters of seasonal ARIMA are p and d and q. The meanings of each parameter are listed below:

- p: auto-regressive (lags of y values), which is choosed from partial autocorrelation function(PACF) according to the number of lagged forecast errors in the prediction equation.
- d: differencing order (Intergrated), which is according to the number of nonseasonal differences needed for stationarity.
- q: moving average (lags of predictive error), which is choosed from autocorrelation function (ACF) according to the number of autoregressive terms.

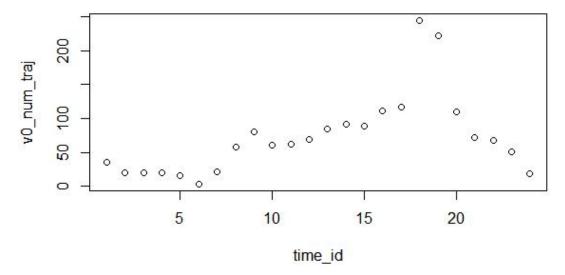
Beside, we could also use auto.arima() function to find suitable parameters p,d and q.

5. Report full details of each fitted model.

A. time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5)

(1) The first type of model

```
> #the first type model
  pred_mean <- aggregate(v0_num_traj~time_id, data=flow, mean)</pre>
  pred_mean
   time_id v0_num_traj
              35.083333
2
          2
              19.875000
3
          3
              20.125000
4
         4
              19.750000
5
          5
              15.250000
6
               3.678571
          6
              22.035714
8
         8
              57.857143
9
         9
              79.678571
10
        10
              60.464286
        11
              61.964286
11
12
        12
              69.464286
              83.928571
13
        13
14
        14
              91.892857
15
        15
              89.392857
             110.857143
16
        16
17
        17
             116.964286
18
        18
             244.178571
19
        19
             221.321429
20
        20
             109.107143
21
         21
              71.607143
22
        22
              67.535714
23
        23
              50.535714
              18.464286
```

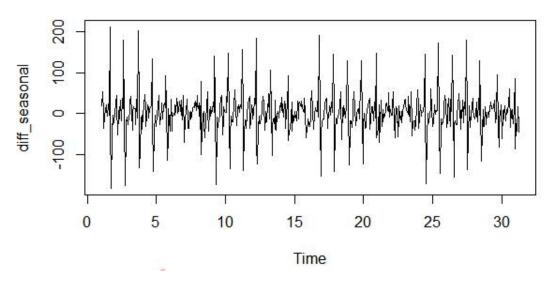


From the plot of first model of time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5), we could find out that passenger flows are very high when time_id from 16 to 20 and at peak when time_id is 18. That make sense, because this range of time_id is the rush hour between work and school.

(2) The second type of model

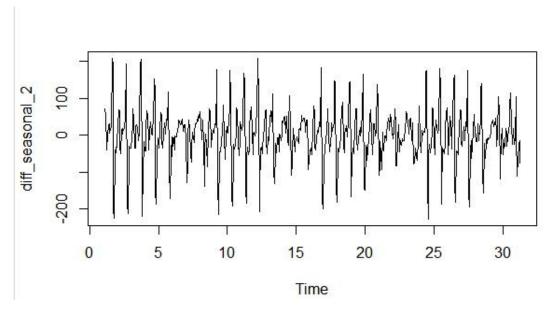
As I mentioned in question 3, time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5) has seasonality, although it is stationary. Therefore, we should do difference on this data to find its parameters p,d and q.

(a) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 1



The RMSE value of the time-series data after the first difference is 103.2569.

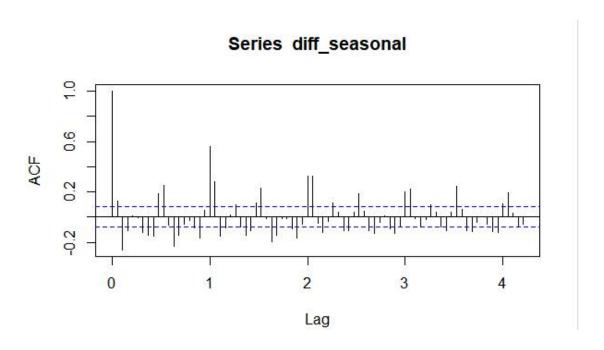
(b) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 2

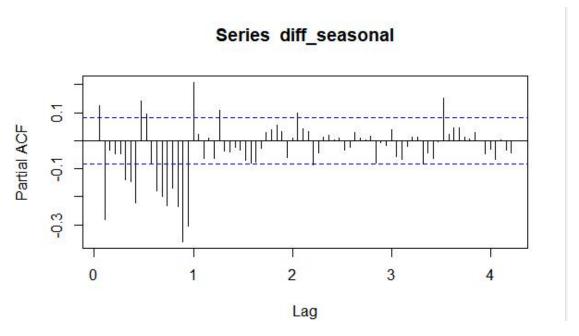


The RMSE value of the time-series data after the second difference is 103.3175

By comparing RMSE values of the time-series data with two different deferencing order, we could find out that the better time-series data is that after the first difference, which means d should equals to 1.

(c) After determining d equals to 1, we should use acf() and pacf() function to determine parameters p and q. The plots are listed below:





We could find that the suitable parameters p and q are 1 and 2 respectively, so I could find the suitable ARIMA model is ARIMA(1,1,2).

(d) And then I also use auto.arima() function to help me find out suitable paramters p,d and q of ARIMA. The snapshot of details is listed below:

We could find out that ARIMA model is good when p and q both equal to 1 and d equals to 0. This means that the good ARIMA model is ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,0,0)

And then I use Arima() function and take (1,0,1)(1,0,0) into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,0,0) model is listed below:

Besides, I also use Arima() function and take (1,1,2)(1,0,0), which is found out from pictures of ACF and PACF of the time series data after first difference, into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0) model is listed below:

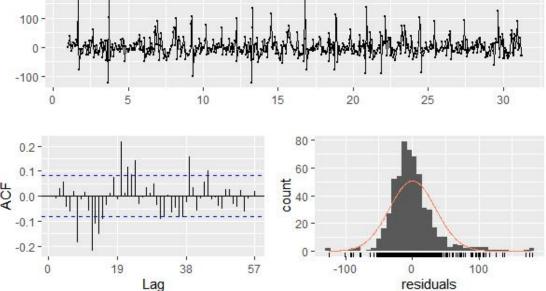
AIC works on the principle of "the smaller, the better", with a penalty for increasing the number of parameters and based on treating them as asymptotic χ^2 statistics.

Therefore, compared AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0) with ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,0,0), we could find that AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0) is smaller, which means ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0) is better.

Finally, I checked the residuals of the model, the details is listed below:

> checkresiduals(arima_fit) Ljung-Box test data: Residuals from ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0)[19] Q* = 167.15, df = 34, p-value < 2.2e-16 Model df: 4. Total lags used: 38</pre>

Residuals from ARIMA(1,1,2)(1,0,0)[19]

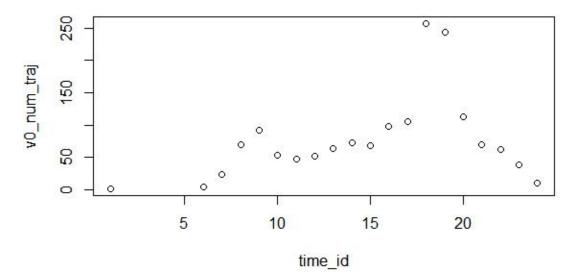


We could find that the p-value here is relatively small, which means the model is good enough.

B. time series data (delete weekend)

(1) The first type of model

```
> #the first type model of work days data
> pred_mean_work <- aggregate(v0_num_traj~time_id, data=flow_work, mean)
  pred_mean_work
   time_id v0_num_traj
                   2.00
1
         1
2
         6
                   3.95
3
         7
                  24.10
4
         8
                  69.65
5
         9
                  92.70
6
        10
                  52.85
7
                  47.40
        11
8
        12
                  52.60
9
        13
                  63.30
10
        14
                  72.25
                  68.45
11
        15
12
        16
                  97.75
                 105.05
13
        17
14
        18
                 256.65
                 242.70
15
        19
                 112.50
16
        20
17
        21
                  69.30
18
        22
                  62.25
        23
                  37.95
19
20
        24
                  11.05
```

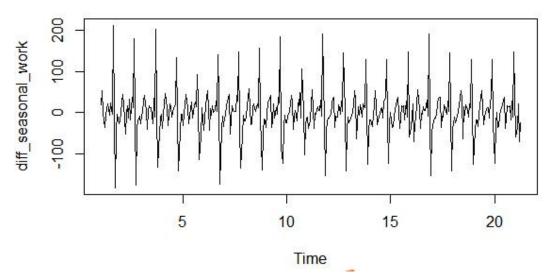


From the plot of first model of time series data (delete weekend), we could find out that passenger flows are very high when time_id from 13 to 16 and at peak when time_id is 14. This doesn't correspond with the actual situation , because this range of time_id is not the rush hour between work and school.

(2) The second type of model

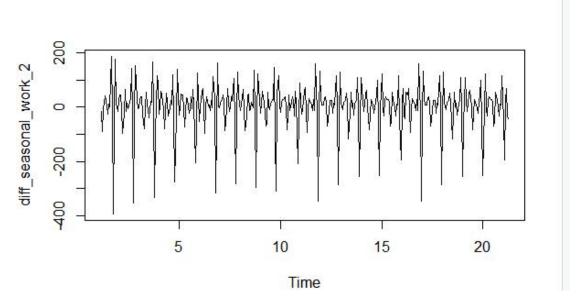
As I mentioned in question 3, time series data (delete weekend) has seasonality, although it is stationary. Therefore, we should do difference on this data to find its parameters p,d and q.

(a) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 1



The RMSE value of the time-series data after the first difference is 103.7794.

(b) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 2

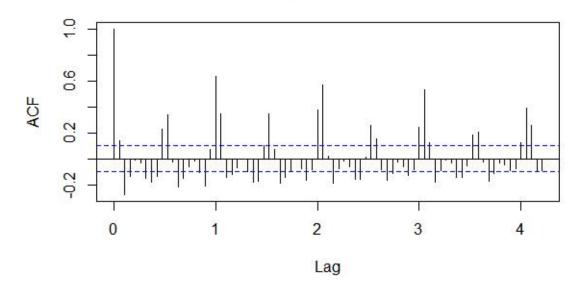


The RMSE value of the time-series data after the second difference is 131.4262.

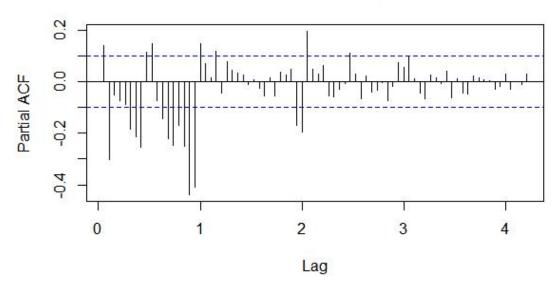
By comparing RMSE values of the time-series data with two different deferencing order, we could find out that the better time-series data is that after the first difference, which means d should equals to 1.

(c) After determining d equals to 1, we should use acf() and pacf() function to determine parameters p and q. The plots are listed below:

Series diff_seasonal_work



Series diff_seasonal_work



We could find that the suitable parameters p and q are 1 and 2 respectively, so I could find the suitable ARIMA model is ARIMA(1,1,2).

(d) And then I also use auto.arima() function to help me find out suitable paramters p,d and q of ARIMA. The snapshot of details is listed below:

```
> arima_auto
Series: train_work_days
ARIMA(1,0,1)(0,1,1)[19]
Coefficients:
          ar1
                  ma1
                           sma1
                        -0.1749
      -0.1896
               0.5084
                         0.0580
s.e.
       0.1318
               0.1144
sigma^2 estimated as 1067:
                             log likelihood=-1799
AIC=3605.99
                             BIC=3621.61
              AICC=3606.1
```

We could find out that ARIMA model is good when p and q both equal to 1 and d equals to 0. This means that the good ARIMA model is ARIMA(1,0,1)(0,1,1).

And then I use Arima() function and take (1,0,1)(0,1,1) into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(1,0,1)(0,1,1) model is listed below:

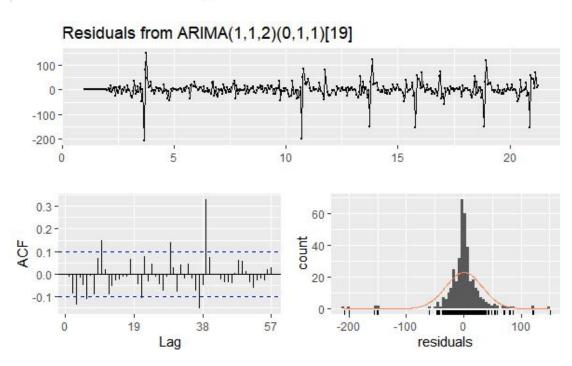
```
> arima_auto_fit_work <- Arima(train_work_days,order = c(1,0,1),seasonal = c(0,1,1))
> arima_auto_fit_work
Series: train_work_days
ARIMA(1,0,1)(0,1,1)[19]
Coefficients:
         ar1
                  ma1
                          sma1
      -0.1896
               0.5084
                       -0.1749
      0.1318 0.1144
                        0.0580
sigma^2 estimated as 1067: log likelihood=-1799
AIC=3605.99
             AICc=3606.1
                          BIC=3621.61
```

Besides, I also use Arima() function and take (1,1,2)(0,1,1), which is found out from pictures of ACF and PACF of the time series data after first difference, into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) model is listed below:

```
> arima_fit_work <- Arima(train_work_days, order = c(1,1,2), seasonal = c(0,1,1))
> arima_fit_work
Series: train_work_days
ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1)[19]
Coefficients:
          ar1
                   ma1
                             ma2
                                    sma1
      -0.1835
               -0.4956
                         -0.5044
                                  -0.171
      0.1317
                0.1146
                         0.1144
                                   0.058
s.e.
sigma^2 estimated as 1073:
                            log likelihood=-1797.49
AIC=3604.98
             AICC=3605.14
                             BIC=3624.49
```

Compared AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) with ARIMA(1,0,1)(0,1,1), we could find that AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) is smaller, which means ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) is better.

Finally, I checked the residuals of the model, the details is listed below:

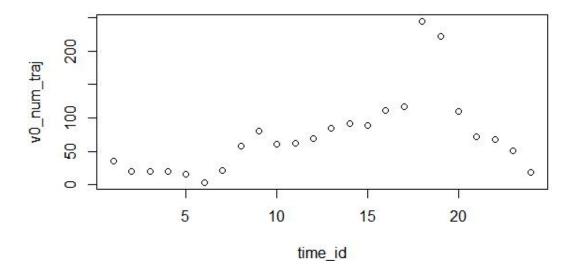


We could find that the p-value here is relatively small, which means the model is good enough.

C. time series data (just take time id from 6 to 18)

(1) The first type of model

```
> pred_mean_daytime <- aggregate(v0_num_traj~time_id, data=flow, mean)
  pred_mean_daytime
   time_id v0_num_traj
              35.083333
2
              19.875000
         2
3
              20.125000
         3
4
              19.750000
5
         5
              15.250000
6
         6
               3.678571
7
         7
              22.035714
8
         8
              57.857143
9
         9
              79.678571
10
        10
              60.464286
              61.964286
11
        11
12
        12
              69.464286
13
        13
              83.928571
14
              91.892857
        14
15
        15
              89.392857
16
             110.857143
        16
17
        17
             116.964286
18
        18
             244.178571
19
        19
             221.321429
20
        20
             109.107143
21
              71.607143
        21
        22
              67.535714
22
              50.535714
23
        23
24
        24
              18.464286
```



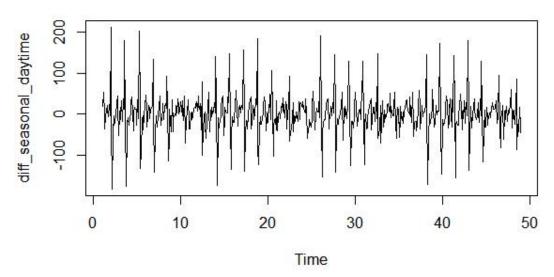
From the plot of first model of time series data (delete weekend), we could find out that passenger flows are very high when time_id from 16 to 18 and at peak when time_id is 18. This make sense, because this range of time_id is the rush hour between work and school.

(3) The second type of model

As I mentioned in question 3, time series data (just take time_id from 6 to 18) has

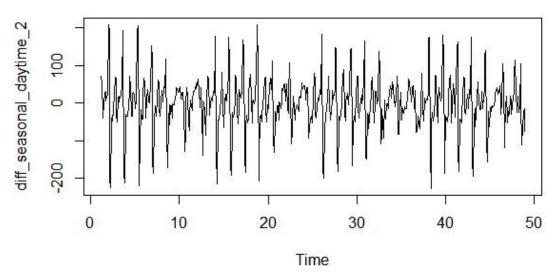
seasonality, although it is stationary. Therefore, we should do difference on this data to find its parameters p,d and q.

(e) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 1



The RMSE value of the time-series data after the first difference is 103.2569.

(f) When differencing order (Intergrated) is equal to 2



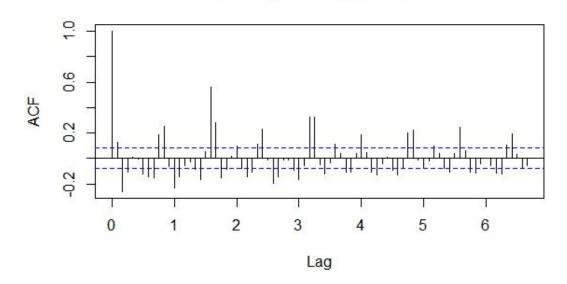
The RMSE value of the time-series data after the second difference is 103.3175.

By comparing RMSE values of the time-series data with two different deferencing order, we could find out that the better time-series data is that after the first difference, which means d should equals to 1.

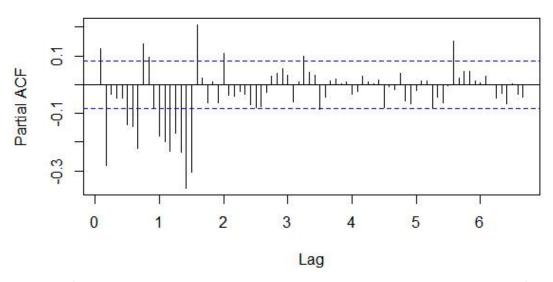
(g) After determining d equals to 1, we should use acf() and pacf() function to

determine parameters p and q. The plots are listed below:

Series diff_seasonal_daytime



Series diff_seasonal_daytime



We could find that the suitable parameters p and q are 1 and 2 respectively, so I could find the suitable ARIMA model is ARIMA(1,1,2).

(h) And then I also use auto.arima() function to help me find out suitable paramters p,d and q of ARIMA. The snapshot of details is listed below:

```
> arima_auto_daytime
Series: train_day_time
ARIMA(4,0,5)(2,0,1)[12] with non-zero mean
Coefficients:
                ar2
                       ar3
                                 ar4
         ar1
                                                ma2
                                        ma1
                                                        ma3
                                                                ma4
                                                                       ma5
     -0.0090 0.4892 -0.1570 -0.7784 0.8117 -0.1492 0.0078 0.9724 0.6401
     0.0778 0.0750
                     0.0404 0.0618 0.0622 0.0432 0.0589 0.0540 0.0354
s.e.
               sar2
        sar1
                      sma1
                               mean
     -0.3862 0.1144 0.0103 80.7990
     0.2379 0.1123 0.2353
                            2.7278
sigma^2 estimated as 1361: log likelihood=-2891.28
AIC=5810.55
            AICC=5811.3
                         BIC=5871.54
```

We could find out that ARIMA model is good when p equals to 4 and d equals to 0 and q equals to 5. This means that the good ARIMA model is ARIMA(4,0,5)(2,0,1).

And then I use Arima() function and take (4,0,5)(2,0,1) into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(4,0,5)(2,0,1) model is listed below:

```
> # p=1, d=1, q=2
> arima_fit_daytime <- Arima(train_day_time,order = c(1,1,2))
> arima_fit_daytime
Series: train_day_time
ARIMA(1,1,2)
Coefficients:
        ar1
                 ma1
                          ma2
             -0.5527
      0.5358
                      -0.4473
             0.0477 0.0475
     0.0448
5. e.
sigma^2 estimated as 1752: log likelihood=-2964.08
AIC=5936.15
            AICc=5936.22 BIC=5953.57
```

Besides, I also use Arima() function and take (1,1,2)(2,0,1), which is found out from pictures of ACF and PACF of the time series data after first difference, into it to deal with my time series data, the details of ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1) model is listed below:

```
> # p=1, d=1, q=2
> arima_fit_daytime <- Arima(train_day_time,order = c(1,1,2),seasonal = c(2,0,1))
> arima_fit_daytime
Series: train_day_time
ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1)[12]
Coefficients:
        ar1
                 ma1
                         ma2
                                 sar1
                                          sar2
                                                  sma1
                     -0.4245 -0.7495
      0.4956 -0.5755
                                        -0.0493
                                                0.5175
s.e.
        NaN
                NaN
                        NaN
                                  NaN
                                           NaN
                                                   NaN
sigma^2 estimated as 1636: log likelihood=-2943.72
AIC=5901.45 AICC=5901.65 BIC=5931.93
```

Compared AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1) with ARIMA(4,0,5)(2,0,1), we could find that AIC of ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1) is smaller, which means ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1) is better.

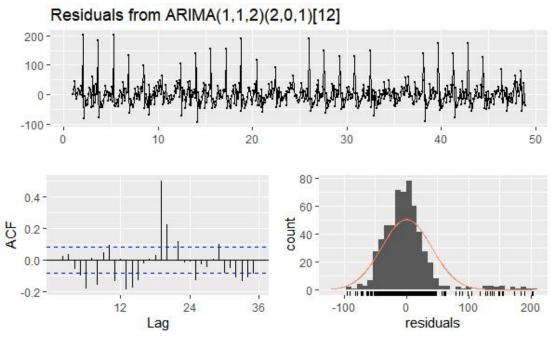
Finally, I checked the residuals of the model, the details is listed below:

> checkresiduals(arima_fit_daytime)

Ljung-Box test

data: Residuals from ARIMA(1,1,2)(2,0,1)[12] $Q^* = 300.51$, df = 18, p-value < 2.2e-16

Model df: 6. Total lags used: 24



We could find that the p-value here is relatively small, which means the model is good enough.

6. Discuss the limitations of each model with respect to this dataset. Judgmental forecasts are subjective, and therefore do not come free of bias or limitations.

For seasonal ARIMA, there are some limitations of it is its hypothesis. The fist one is this time series data is stationary, or stationary after differencing, which means there is no trend and seasonality in this data and variance should be a constant. The second one is this data must be autocorrelated with the previous one and have linear relationship, which means ARIMA only capture linear relationship of data and it don't fit those data which don't have linear relationship.

Moreover, the SARIMA model can get a very beautiful prediction based on the previous data. But if there is some accident, like travel ban during period of COVID-19, which have a huge impact on data. This means that the prediction will fail in this situation.

For average method which is corresponding to my first model. All the data only comes from historical record. All trends can not replace the future, if using some test data for testing the model, the test result cannot represent the future results. As I

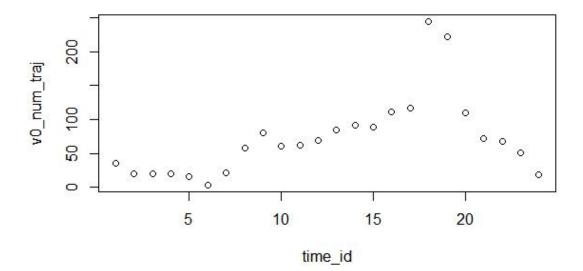
mentioned in question 4, some prediction doesn't match reality, like using this method to predict time series data (delete weekend).

7. Give and plot model predictions for each model over the observed data range (include the observed values somehow for comparison). Also give 95% predictive intervals for the stochastic model over this range.

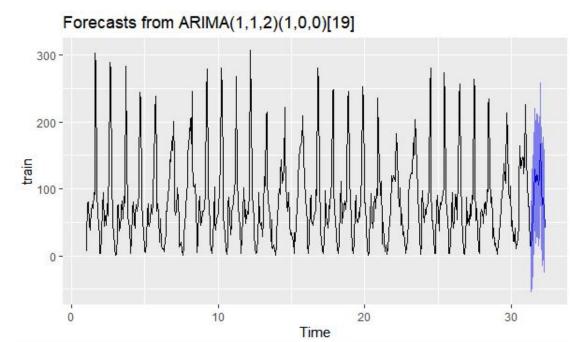
A. time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5)

For Non-stochastic model:

```
> #the first type model
> pred_mean <- aggregate(v0_num_traj~time_id, data=flow, mean)
> pred_mean
   time_id v0_num_traj
         1
              35.083333
2
             19.875000
         2
3
         3
              20.125000
4
         4
              19.750000
             15.250000
5
         5
6
         6
               3.678571
7
              22.035714
8
         8
              57.857143
9
         9
              79.678571
10
        10
              60.464286
        11
              61.964286
11
12
        12
              69.464286
13
        13
              83.928571
14
        14
              91.892857
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        15
              89.392857
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             116.964286
             244.178571
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             221.321429
20
        20 109.107143
21
        21
              71.607143
22
        22
              67.535714
        23
              50.535714
23
        24
              18.464286
```



For stochastic model:



From the forecast plot listed above, the blue line is the forecast result for next 19 hours. We could find that the 95% predictive interval is wider.

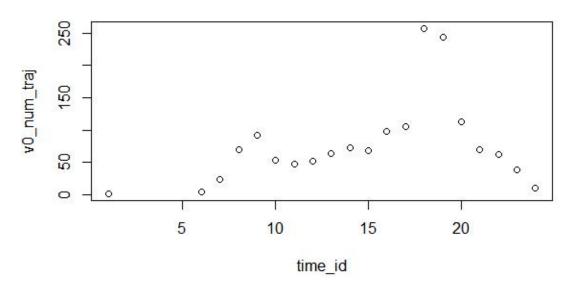
I also listed the form of 95% predictive interval of next 19 hours forecast.

```
> #predict next 19 hours
> next_day_fitted <- forecast(arima_fit,h=19,level=c(95))
> next_day_fitted
         Point Forecast
                                           Hi 95
                                Lo 95
31.31579
                13.07684 -55.1394517
                                       81.29313
31.36842
                31.37181 -54.8047998 117.54842
31.42105
                39.63804 -50.9016989 130.17778
                58.47867 -33.2473175 150.20466
31.47368
31.52632
                92.32696
                           0.2659281 184.38799
              129.48276 37.3238929 221.64163
110.38095 18.1921139 202.56978
31.57895
31.63158
31.68421
              114.79528 22.5966103 206.99396
              120.86821 28.6659865 213.07043
119.75179 27.5481590 211.95543
31.73684
31.78947
31.84211
              105.53916 13.3349093 197.74342
31.89474
               116.24619
                          24.0416427 208.45074
31.94737
               167.31872
                           75.1140293 259.52341
32.00000
               115.66811 23.4633430 207.87287
32.05263
               101.42100
                           9.2162024 193.62580
32.10526
                76.48511 -15.7197139 168.68993
32.15789
                86.57959 -5.6252429 178.78442
32.21053
                68.17383 -24.0310019 160.37867
                41.45542 -50.7494132 133.66026
32.26316
> next_day_fitted_value <- round(next_day_fitted$mean,0)
> next_day_fitted_value
Time Series:
Start = c(31,
End = c(32, 6)
Frequency = 19
 [1] 13 31 40 58 92 129 110 115 121 120 106 116 167 116 101 76 87 68 41
```

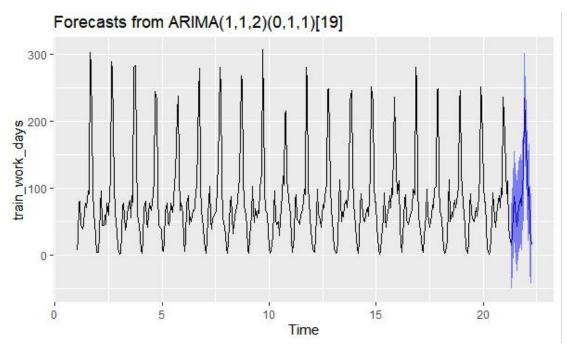
B. time series data (delete weekend)

For Non-stochastic model:

```
> #the first type model of work days data
> pred_mean_work <- aggregate(v0_num_traj~time_id, data=flow_work, mean)
> pred_mean_work
time_id v0_num_traj
                           2.00
             1
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
              6
              7
                          24.10
              8
                          69.65
                          92.70
52.85
             9
            10
                          47.40
52.60
            11
            12
                          63.30
72.25
9
            13
10
            14
                        68.45
97.75
105.05
256.65
11
            15
            16
17
12
13
            18
14
15
            19
                        242.70
                        112.50
69.30
            20
16
17
            21
18
            22
                          62.25
            23
19
                          37.95
       24
20
                         11.05
```



For stochastic model:



From the forecast plot listed above, the blue line is the forecast result for next 19 hours. We could find that the 95% predictive interval is wider.

I also listed the form of 95% predictive interval of next 19 hours forecast.

```
> #predict next 19 hours
> next_workday_fitted <- forecast(arima_fit_work, h=19, level=c(95))
> next_workday_fitted
        Point Forecast
                             Lo 95
21.31579
               13.49518 -50.781113
                                    77.77148
21.36842
               31.68442 -35.874826
                                    99.24367
21.42105
               61.70889
                        -5.943141 129.36092
               87.16696 19.509057 154.82487
21.47368
21.52632
               54.60658 -13.051022
                                   122.26418
21.57895
               42.76915 -24.888532 110.42683
21.63158
               58.64233
                         -9.015338 126.30000
21.68421
               72.10348
                          4.445805 139.76115
21.73684
               84.20858
                         16.550905 151.86624
21.78947
                          6.233975 141.54931
               73.89164
21.84211
              104.07665
                         36.418982 171.73432
21.89474
              117.18157
                         49.523897
                                   184.83924
21.94737
              234.60902 166.951350 302.26669
22.00000
              165.99761
                         98.339937 233.65528
22.05263
              119.47356
                         51.815894 187.13123
               88.27141
                         20.613736 155.92908
22,10526
22.15789
               99.21429
                         31.556624 166.87196
22.21053
               35.67351 -31.984158 103.33118
22.26316
               14.35553 -53.302138
                                   82.01320
> next_workday_fitted_value <- round(next_workday_fitted$mean,0)
> next_workday_fitted_value
Time Series:
Start = c(21, 7)
End = c(22, 6)
Frequency = 19
        32
                     55 43 59 72 84 74 104 117 235 166 119
 [1] 13
              62
                87
                                                                 88 99 36 14
```

However, compared the 95% predictive intervals by looking at pictures of it, we could find the predictive interval of seasonal ARIMA with time series data (delete time_id from 1 to 5) is wider than time series data (delete weekend). This means that seasonal ARIMA with time series data (delete weekend) is better.

8. Evaluate accuracy 1 and 2 hours ahead via final day.

From what we have discussed from question 7, we have known that seasonal ARIMA with time series data (delete weekend) is better. Therefore, I decided to use it.

Using the Non-stochastic Model can not predict related values because all the data only based on historical data.

So I use the ARIMA Model to make prediction:

(1)One hour ahead predict:

Firstly, I use the for round method to build the model in order to avoid step by step building models. The result of prediction is listed below:

```
> one_hour_predict
[1] 109.550368 73.078420 57.381829 43.797462 7.032204 5.193238 19.862272
[8] 70.475333 78.769490 54.164244 66.014001 44.292139 61.955559 70.870366
[15] 61.314812 96.468045 113.232780 246.856962 175.737990
```

And then I put the predicted values and actual values of passenger flow together to make comparison more convenient and direct. I put snapshot of result below:

>	Compare_data	a_one_	hour		- 65	<u>9</u> ₹9	
	date	time	Predict	passenger flow	Actual	passenger	flow
1	2013-03-15	6		109.550368			107
2	2013-03-15	7		73.078420			79
3	2013-03-15	8		57.381829			79
4	2013-03-15	9		43.797462			43
5	2013-03-15	10		7.032204			10
6	2013-03-15	11		5.193238			1
7	2013-03-15	12		19.862272			5
8	2013-03-15	13		70.475333			24
9	2013-03-15	14		78.769490			55
10	2013-03-15	15		54.164244			93
11	2013-03-15	16		66.014001			55
12	2013-03-15	17		44.292139			41
13	2013-03-15	18		61.955559			58
14	2013-03-15	19		70.870366			72
15	2013-03-15	20		61.314812			89
16	2013-03-15	21		96.468045			71
17	2013-03-15	22		113.232780			100
18	2013-03-15	23		246.856962			90
19	2013-03-15	24		175.737990			236

And then I use mse() function to calculate mse for 1 hour ahead predict to measure accuracy of prediction.

```
> mse(one_hour_predict,train_work_days[(nrow(flow_sub)-18):(nrow(flow_sub))])
[1] 1840.256
```

The mean squared error tells you how close a regression line is to a set of points. It does this by taking the distances from the points to the regression line (these distances are the "errors") and squaring them. The squaring is necessary to remove any negative signs. It also gives more weight to larger differences. It's called the

mean squared error as you're finding the average of a set of errors. The smaller the means squared error, the closer you are to finding the line of best fit.

From the snapshot of result of mse listed above, we could find that the value of mse is very high.

(2)two hour ahead predict:

Similarly, building the two hours ahead prediction model only needs to changes some parameters:

```
> two_hours_predict
  [1] 109.512957 73.912197 55.446375 36.703143 7.292261 4.227311 21.228296 [8] 75.318920 94.013259 62.025117 53.287349 47.896490 63.025283 72.159752
[15] 60.944582 87.413918 121.521946 251.131344 227.978532
 > Compare_data_two_hour
date time Predict passenger flow
1 2013-03-15 6 109.512957
2 2013-03-15 7 73.912197
3 2013-03-15 8 55.446375
4 2013-03-15 9 36.703143
5 2013-03-15 10 7.292261
6 2013-03-15 11 4.227311
7 2013-03-15 12 21.228296
8 2013-03-15 13 75.318920
9 2013-03-15 14 94.013259
10 2013-03-15 15 62.025117
11 2013-03-15 16 53.287349
12 2013-03-15 17 47.896490
13 2013-03-15 18 63.025283
14 2013-03-15 19 72.159752
15 2013-03-15 20 60.944582
16 2013-03-15 21 87.413918
17 2013-03-15 22 87.413918
                    date time Predict passenger flow Actual passenger flow
                                                                                                                                    79
                                                                                                                                    79
                                                                   36.703143
                                                                                                                                    43
                                                          36.703143

7.292261

4.227311

21.228296

75.318920

94.013259

62.025117

53.287349

47.896490

63.025283

72.159752

60.944582

87.413918
                                                                                                                                    10
                                                                                                                                      1
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                                                                                                                                     24
                                                                                                                                     55
                                                                                                                                    93
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                                                                    87.413918
                                                                                                                                    71
                                                                121.521946
 17 2013-03-15 22
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                                 23
                                                                  251.131344
 18 2013-03-15
                                                                                                                                    90
                                          227.978532
                                24
 19 2013-03-15
                                                                                                                                  236
 > #Calculate the MSE for 2 hours ahead predict
 > mse(two_hours_predict,train_work_days[(nrow(flow_sub)-18):(nrow(flow_sub))])
 [1] 1770.841
```

Compared with the predict model of 1 hour ahead, the MSE of predict model of 2 hours ahead is lower, which means the accuracy of this predict model is higher than the one hour predict model.

From what has been discussed above, we could find that the predict model of 1 hour ahead is better.

9. Make predictions for test day, which will be evaluated by RMSE vs true counts for that day.

To use the new data, I combined the new data with the original data and converted the data type to integer to facilitate building the model.

```
#Add the known rows to the original data
row1 <- c("2013-03-25",6,2)
row2 <- c("2013-03-25",7,18)
row3 <- c("2013-03-25",8,34)
row4 <- c("2013-03-25",9,68)
new_data <- rbind(flow_sub,row1,row2,row3,row4)

#Transform the type of the data for building model
new_data$time_id = as.integer(new_data$time_id)
new_data$v0_num_traj = as.integer(new_data$v0_num_traj)</pre>
```

And then I use new dataset to build a new ARIMA Model:

```
#Build new time series model new_train <- ts(new_data$v0_num_traj, frequency = 19,start=c(1,1)) new_arima_model = arima(new_train, order = c(1,1,2),seasonal = list(order = c(0,1,1), period=19))
```

Finally I reform the output data and combine the time_id with the predict result. The snapshot of predict result is listed below:

```
> predicted_next_15_hours
   Time ID Predict passenger flow
         6
1
                          49.15296
         7
2
                          48.73464
3
         8
                          51.71732
4
         9
                          64.67783
5
        10
                          76.14609
6
        11
                          67.30244
7
        12
                          95.57358
8
        13
                         102.86397
9
        14
                         247.65277
10
        15
                         226.38915
11
        16
                         114.28842
12
        17
                          75.88172
13
        18
                          73.03952
        19
                          38.02727
14
        20
                         11.61409
15
```

And then, I take out data of time id from 6 to 9:

```
> predicted_next_4_hours
    Time ID Predict passenger flow
1 6 49.15296
2 7 48.73464
3 8 51.71732
4 9 64.67783
```

And then I use RMSE function to evaluated predict values vs true counts for 25/03/2013. The value of RMSE is 29.55063, which means that the predicted value fits well with the actual value. It also means that the seasonal ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) is better.

```
> real <- c(2,18,34,68)
> predicted <-c(49.15296,48.73464,51.71732,64.67783)
> RMSE(real,predicted)
[1] 29.55063
```

10. Paragraph to Translink staff

Hi dear translink staff,

The seasonal ARIMA(1,1,2)(0,1,1) is built based on statistical methods and using the data that translink company has recorded to predict the passenger flow every day from Brisbane City to South Brisbane. Through the prediction value of passenger flow, you could find out that passenger flow are high from morning 9:00 to 20:00, especially the time range from 16:00 to 20:00 is the highest. Therefore, I suggest that you could arrange more bus/train/ferry services to run in this time range. I hope this model could help you to arrange how many bus/train/ferry services to run at appropriate times to meet demand. That's all, thank you.