

Examination in School of Mathematical Sciences

Semester 2, 2016

005675 STATS 3005 Time Series III
--

Official Reading Time: 10 mins
Writing Time: 120 mins
Total Duration: 130 mins

NUMBER OF QUESTIONS: 6 TOTAL MARKS: 75

Instructions

- Attempt all questions.
- Begin each answer on a new page.
- Examination materials must not be removed from the examination room.

Materials

- 1 Blue book is provided.
- Calculators are permitted.

DO NOT COMMENCE WRITING UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

1. Consider the process $Y_t = t + Z_t$, where $\{Z_t\}$ is a white noise process with $E(Z_t) = 0$ and $\text{var}(Z_t) = \sigma^2$, and let $U_t = Y_t - Y_{t-1}$ be the differenced series.
 - (a) Is $\{Y_t\}$ a second order stationary process? Explain your answer.
 - (b) Find $E(U_t)$ and $\text{var}(U_t)$.
 - (c) Find $\text{cov}(U_t, U_{t-1})$.
 - (d) Show that $\text{cov}(U_t, U_{t-k}) = 0$ for $k > 1$.
 - (e) Is the process $\{U_t\}$ second order stationary? Explain your answer.

[12 marks]

2. Consider the periodogram $I(\omega)$ defined by

$$I(\omega) = \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \left(\sum_{t=1}^n y_t \cos(\omega t) \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{t=1}^n y_t \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right\}$$

for $\omega = 2\pi j/n$ where $j < n/2$ is a positive integer.

- (a) Show that

$$I(\omega) = \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (y_t - \bar{y}) \cos(\omega t) \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (y_t - \bar{y}) \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right\}.$$

Hint: You may use, without proof, the trigonometric identities

$$\sum_{t=1}^n \cos(2\pi jt/n) = \sum_{t=1}^n \sin(2\pi jt/n) = 0 \text{ for } j < n/2.$$

- (b) Hence, or otherwise, show that

$$I(\omega) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{s=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^n (y_s - \bar{y})(y_t - \bar{y}) \cos(\omega(t-s))$$

for $\omega = 2\pi j/n$ where $j < n/2$ is a positive integer.

Hint: You may use, without proof, the trigonometric identity

$$\cos(a+b) = \cos(a)\cos(b) - \sin(a)\sin(b).$$

- (c) Hence, or otherwise, show that

$$I(\omega) = g_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} g_k \cos(k\omega)$$

where g_k

$$g_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=k+1}^n (y_t - \bar{y})(y_{t-k} - \bar{y})$$

is the sample autocovariance.

Hint: You may use, without proof, the identity

$$\sum_{s=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^n a_{st} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{tt} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sum_{t=k+1}^n (a_{t,t-k} + a_{t-k,t}).$$

- (d) Suppose the periodogram was calculated from an observed white noise series. Explain what you would expect to see.

[14 marks]

3. (a) Give the definition of an ARMA(p, q) process.

- (b) Consider the process

$$Y_t = \alpha Y_{t-1} + Z_t + \beta Z_{t-1}$$

where Z_t is a white noise process, with $Z_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$.

- (i) For what values of α and β is Y_t a valid ARMA process.

- (ii) Calculate the spectrum, $f_y(\omega)$ for this process.

- (c) Consider the process

$$Y_t = 0.5Y_{t-1} + 0.5Y_{t-2} + Z_t + 0.5Z_{t-1}$$

where $\{Z_t\}$ is a white noise process with $Z_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$.

- (i) Is this process stationary? Explain your answer.

- (ii) What type of process is Y_t ? Explain your answer.

[13 marks]

4. Consider the $AR(p)$ process

$$\phi(B)Y_t = Z_t$$

where $\phi(z) = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j z^j$ is such that all roots lie outside the unit circle on the complex plane.

- (a) Show that the autocorrelations ρ_k satisfy the Yule-Walker equations,

$$\rho_k = \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \rho_{k-j} \text{ for } j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- (b) Consider the $AR(2)$ process

$$Y_t = \frac{2}{3}Y_{t-1} - \frac{1}{9}Y_{t-2} + Z_t.$$

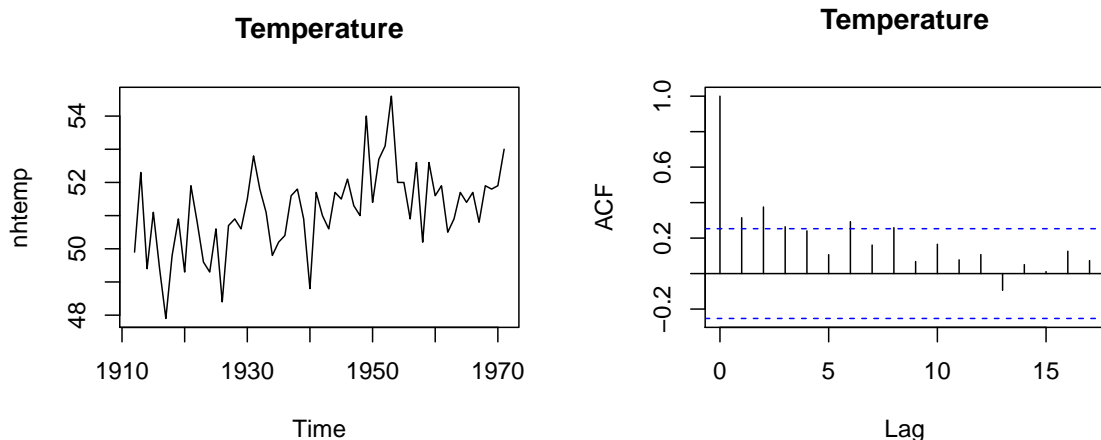
- (i) Verify that the process is stationary.
- (ii) Write down the auxiliary equation and find its roots.
- (iii) Write down the general form of the solution to the auxiliary equation in this case.
- (iv) Show that the autocorrelation function is given by

$$\rho_k = \left(1 + \frac{4}{5}k\right) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^k.$$

[14 marks]

5. The mean annual temperature in °F for New Haven, Connecticut was recorded from 1912 to 1971.

- (a) Based on the plot of the data and the estimated ACF shown below, does the series appear to be stationary? Explain your answer.



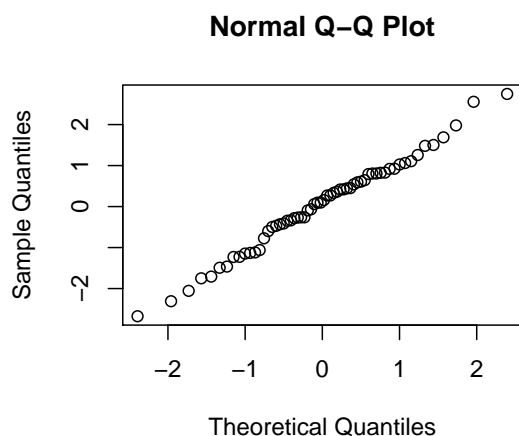
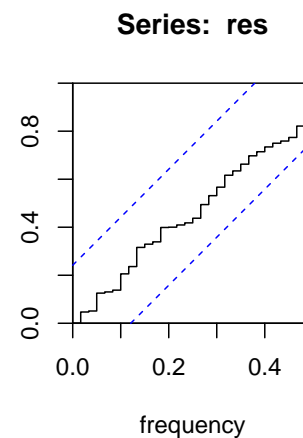
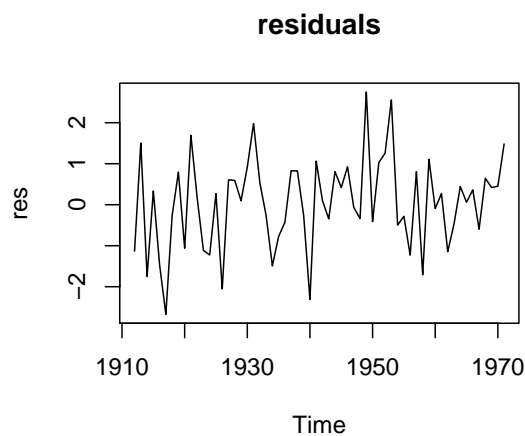
Please turn over for page 5

- (b) Below are summary statistics from a number of ARMA models. Identify the your preferred model and any other models that might be plausible. Explain your answer.

Model	Model fit statistics
ARMA(2, 2)	log likelihood = -89.69, aic = 191.38
ARMA(1, 1)	log likelihood = -92.15, aic = 192.29
ARMA(2, 0)	log likelihood = -92.47, aic = 192.94
ARMA(2, 1)	log likelihood = -92.00, aic = 193.99
ARMA(0, 2)	log likelihood = -94.37, aic = 196.74
ARMA(1, 0)	log likelihood = -95.51, aic = 197.01
ARMA(0, 1)	log likelihood = -96.79, aic = 199.58

- (c) Based on the plots shown below, does the ARMA(1,1) model provide an adequate description of the data? Explain your answer.

```
res=residuals(arima(nhtemp,order=c(1,0,1)))
plot(res,main="residuals"); cpgram(res); qqnorm(res)
```



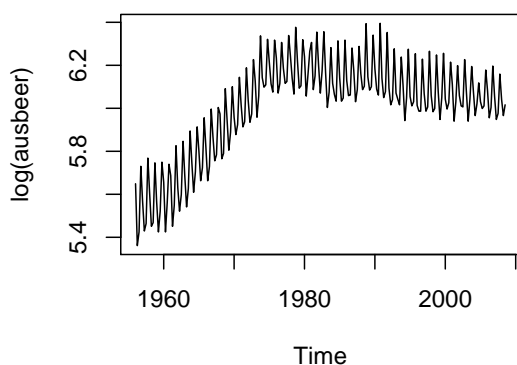
[9 marks]

Please turn over for page 6

6. The production of beer in Australia was recorded quarterly from 1956 to 2008.

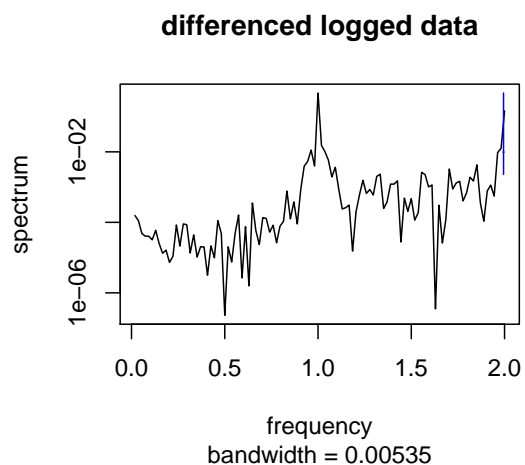
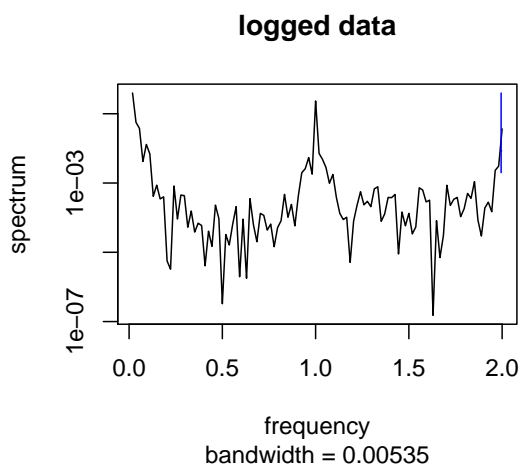
(a) Based on the plot shown below, do the log transformed data appear stationary?

```
plot(log(ausbeer))
```



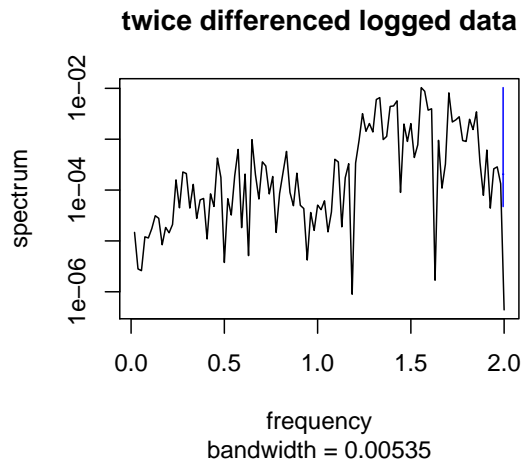
(b) Shown below are periodograms of the log transformed data and the first differences of the log transformed data. Interpret and compare the two periodograms.

```
spectrum(log(ausbeer),main="logged data")
spectrum(diff(log(ausbeer)),main="differenced logged data")
```



- (c) Below is a periodogram of the log transformed series differenced twice, once at lag one and once at lag 4.

```
spectrum(diff(diff(log(ausbeer),lag=4)),main="twice differenced logged data")
```



- Compare this periodogram to those in part (b) above.
- Explain the significance of taking differences at lag 4 for these data.
- Is the twice differenced series compatible with white noise? Explain your answer.

[13 marks]