# Time Series Analysis & Forecasting Using R

8. ARIMA models



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An ARIMA model is rarely interpretable in terms of visible data structures like trend and seasonality. But it can capture a huge range of time series patterns.

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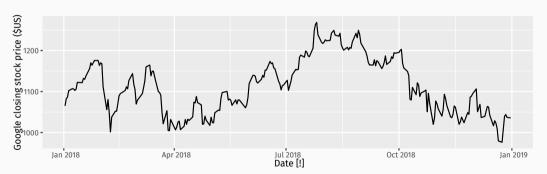
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#### A **stationary series** is:

- roughly horizontal
- constant variance
- no patterns predictable in the long-term

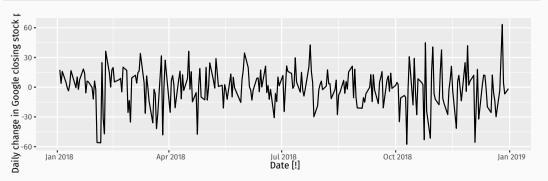
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```
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  autoplot(difference(Close)) +
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## Differencing

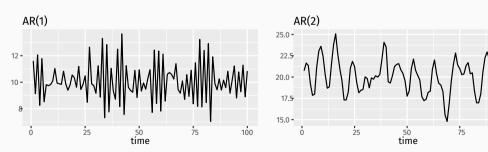
- Differencing helps to stabilize the mean.
- The differenced series is the *change* between each observation in the original series.
- Occasionally the differenced data will not appear stationary and it may be necessary to difference the data a second time.
- In practice, it is almost never necessary to go beyond second-order differences.

## **Autoregressive models**

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$$y_t = c + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t,$$

where  $\varepsilon_t$  is white noise. A multiple regression with **lagged** values of  $y_t$  as predictors.



Cyclic behaviour is possible when  $p \ge 2$ .

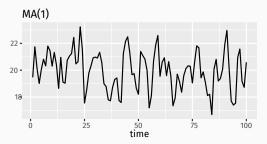
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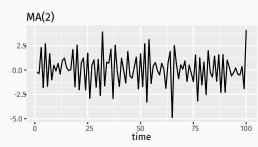
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#### **Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average models**

- Combine ARMA model with differencing.
- d-differenced series follows an ARMA model.
- Need to choose p, d, q and whether or not to include c.

#### ARIMA(p, d, q) model

- AR: p = order of the autoregressive part
  - I: d = degree of first differencing involved
- MA: q = order of the moving average part.
  - White noise model: ARIMA(0,0,0)
  - Random walk: ARIMA(0,1,0) with no constant
  - Random walk with drift: ARIMA(0,1,0) with const.
  - $\blacksquare$  AR(p): ARIMA(p,0,0)
  - $\blacksquare$  MA(q): ARIMA(0,0,q)

```
fit <- global economy |>
 model(arima = ARIMA(Population))
fit
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# Kev: Country [263]
                                            arima
   Country
   <fct>
                                          <model>
 1 Afghanistan
                                   <ARIMA(4,2,1)>
 2 Albania
                                   \langle ARIMA(0,2,2) \rangle
 3 Algeria
                                   \langle ARIMA(2,2,2) \rangle
 4 American Samoa
                                   <ARIMA(2,2,2)>
                         <ARIMA(2,1,2) w/ drift>
 5 Andorra
 6 Angola
                                   <ARIMA(4,2,1)>
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 8 Arab World
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```

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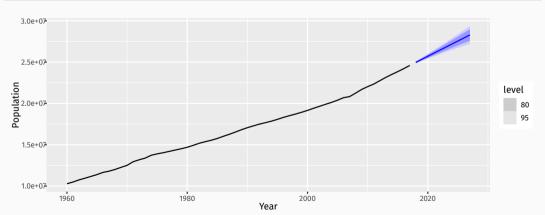
- If c = 0 and d = 0, the long-term forecasts will go to zero.
- If c = 0 and d = 1, the long-term forecasts will go to a non-zero constant.
- If c = 0 and d = 2, the long-term forecasts will follow a straight line.
- If  $c \neq 0$  and d = 0, the long-term forecasts will go to the mean of the data.
- If  $c \neq 0$  and d = 1, the long-term forecasts will follow a straight line.
- If  $c \neq 0$  and d = 2, the long-term forecasts will follow a quadratic trend.

## **Understanding ARIMA models**

#### **Forecast variance and** *d*

- The higher the value of *d*, the more rapidly the prediction intervals increase in size.
- For d = 0, the long-term forecast standard deviation will go to the standard deviation of the historical data.

```
fit |>
  forecast(h = 10) |>
  filter(Country == "Australia") |>
  autoplot(global_economy)
```



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Note: Can't compare AICc for different values of *d*.

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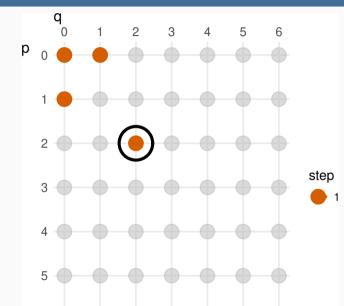
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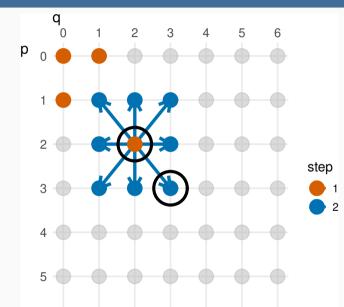
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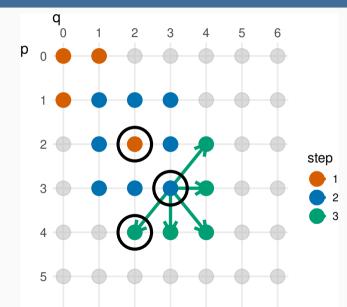
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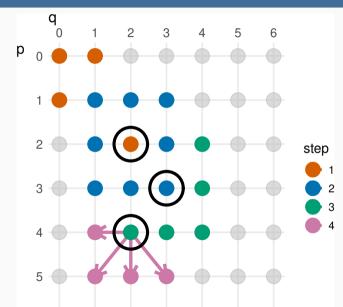
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Repeat Step 2 until no lower AICc can be found.









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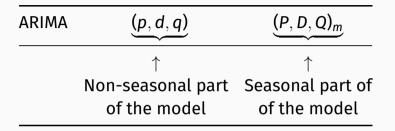
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#### **Seasonal ARIMA models**

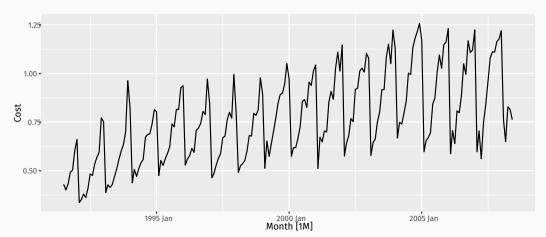


- $\mathbf{m}$  = number of observations per year.
- *d* first differences, *D* seasonal differences
- p AR lags, q MA lags
- *P* seasonal AR lags, *Q* seasonal MA lags

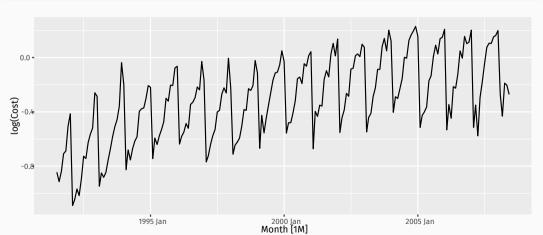
Seasonal and non-seasonal terms combine multiplicatively

```
h02 <- PBS |>
filter(ATC2 == "H02") |>
summarise(Cost = sum(Cost) / 1e6)
```

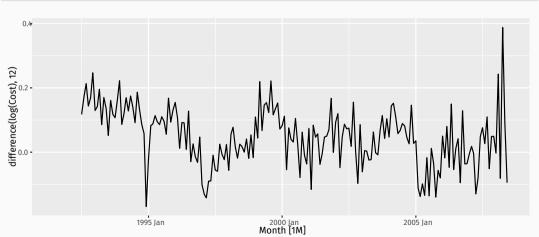




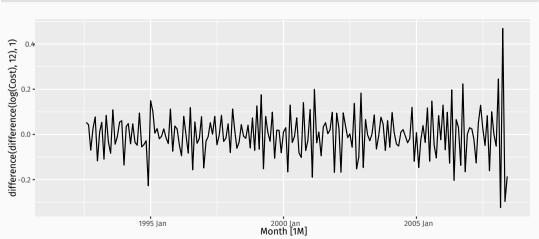
```
h02 |> autoplot(
  log(Cost)
)
```



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)
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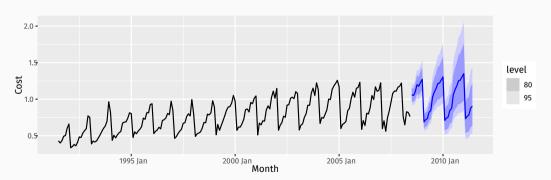


## **Example: US electricity production**

```
h02 |>
 model(arima = ARIMA(log(Cost))) |>
 report()
Series: Cost
Model: ARIMA(2,1,0)(0,1,1)[12]
Transformation: log(Cost)
Coefficients:
         ar1 ar2
                          sma1
      -0.8491 -0.4207 -0.6401
s.e. 0.0712 0.0714 0.0694
sigma^2 estimated as 0.004387: log likelihood=245
ATC=-483 ATCc=-483 BTC=-470
```

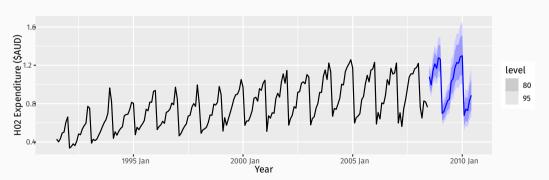
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h02 |>
model(arima = ARIMA(log(Cost))) |>
forecast(h = "3 years") |>
autoplot(h02)
```



```
fit <- h02 |>
  model(best = ARIMA(log(Cost),
    stepwise = FALSE,
    approximation = FALSE,
   order constraint = p + q + P + Q \le 9
  ))
report(fit)
Series: Cost
Model: ARIMA(4,1,1)(2,1,2)[12]
Transformation: log(Cost)
Coefficients:
         arl ar2 ar3 ar4 mal sar1 sar2 sma1 sma2
     -0.0425 0.210 0.202 -0.227 -0.742 0.621 -0.383 -1.202
                                                             0.496
      0.2167 0.181 0.114 0.081 0.207 0.242 0.118 0.249
                                                             0.213
s.e.
sigma^2 estimated as 0.004049: log likelihood=254
ATC=-489
        ATCc = -487
                    BTC=-456
```

```
fit |>
  forecast() |>
  autoplot(h02) +
  labs(y = "H02 Expenditure ($AUD)", x = "Year")
```



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- Fit a suitable ARIMA model for all data.
- Produce forecasts of your fitted models.
- Check the forecasts for the "Snowy Mountains" and "Melbourne" regions. Do they look reasonable?

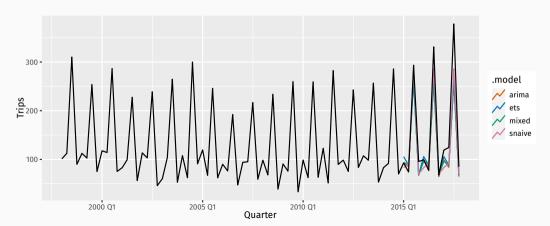
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train <- tourism |>
  filter(year(Quarter) <= 2014)
fit <- train |>
  model(
   ets = ETS(Trips),
   arima = ARIMA(Trips),
   snaive = SNAIVE(Trips)
) |>
  mutate(mixed = (ets + arima + snaive) / 3)
```

- Ensemble forecast mixed is a simple average of the three fitted models.
- forecast() will produce distributional forecasts taking into account the correlations between the forecast errors of the component models.

```
fc <- fit |> forecast(h = "3 years")
fc |>
  filter(Region == "Snowy Mountains", Purpose == "Holiday") |>
  autoplot(tourism, level = NULL)
```



```
accuracy(fc, tourism) |>
  group_by(.model) |>
  summarise(
    RMSE = mean(RMSE),
    MAE = mean(MAE),
    MASE = mean(MASE)
) |>
  arrange(RMSE)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 4
.model RMSE MAE MASE
<chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 1 mixed 19.8 16.0 0.997
2 ets 20.2 16.4 1.00
3 snaive 21.5 17.3 1.17
4 arima 21.9 17.8 1.06
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#### FFORMA (Feature-based FORecast Model Averaging)

- Vector of time series features used to predict best weights.
- A modification of xgboost is used.
- Method came 2nd in the 2018 M4 international forecasting competition.
- Main author: Pablo Montero-Manso (now Uni Sydney)
- Not (yet) available for fable.