Autocorrelation function (ACF)

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a) Exploratory data analysis

- Visualization: line plots to visualize trends and scatter plots with a regression line to assess the correlation
- Correlation analysis: Pearson correlation coefficient to measure the relationship's strength.



1. Line Plot: CPI Over Time

```
# Load required libraries
library(ggplot2)
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.4.2
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
##
library(tidyr)
# Load CPI data
cpi_data <- read_csv("No Header_ConsumerPriceIndex.csv")</pre>
## Rows: 79 Columns: 13
## — Column specification ·
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (13): Year, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
```

i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.

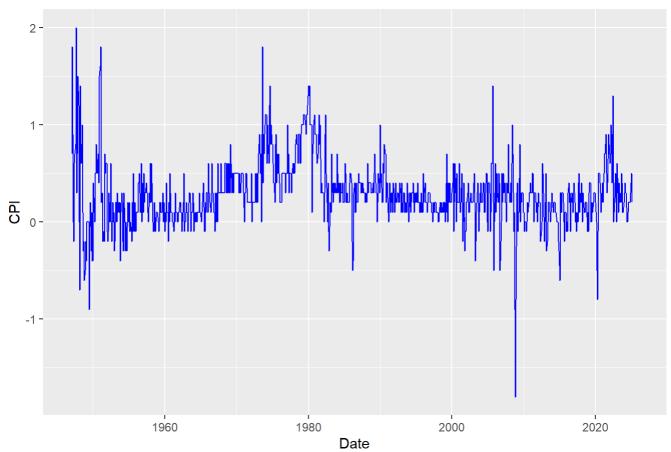
```
# Transform data
cpi_long <- cpi_data |>
    pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "cpi") |>
    rename(year = Year)

# Create date variable
cpi_long <- cpi_long |>
    mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
    arrange(date)

# Plot CPI over time
ggplot(cpi_long, aes(x = date, y = cpi)) +
    geom_line(color = "blue") +
    labs(title = "CPI Over Time", x = "Date", y = "CPI")
```

Warning: Removed 11 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
(`geom_line()`).

CPI Over Time





2. Line Plot: Unemployment Rate Over Time

```
# Load required Libraries
library(ggplot2)
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)

# Load Unemployment Rate data
unemp_data <- read_csv("NoHeader_UnemploymentRate.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 78 Columns: 13
## — Column specification
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (13): Year, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec
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```

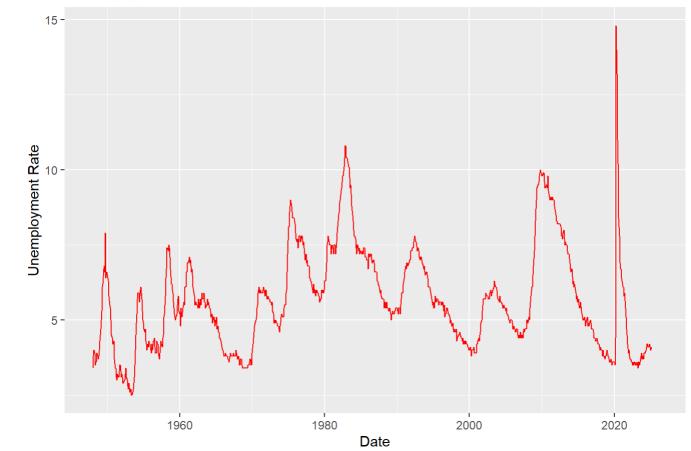
```
# Transform data
unemp_long <- unemp_data |>
    pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "unemployment_rate") |>
    rename(year = Year)

# Create date variable
unemp_long <- unemp_long |>
    mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
    arrange(date)

# Plot Unemployment Rate over time
ggplot(unemp_long, aes(x = date, y = unemployment_rate)) +
    geom_line(color = "red") +
    labs(title = "Unemployment Rate Over Time", x = "Date", y = "Unemployment Rate")
```

```
## Warning: Removed 10 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
## (`geom_line()`).
```

Unemployment Rate Over Time



3. Scatter Plot with Regression Line: CPI vs Unemployment

```
# Load required libraries
library(ggplot2)
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)

# Load CPI Data
cpi_data <- read_csv("No Header_ConsumerPriceIndex.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 79 Columns: 13
## — Column specification
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (13): Year, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
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```

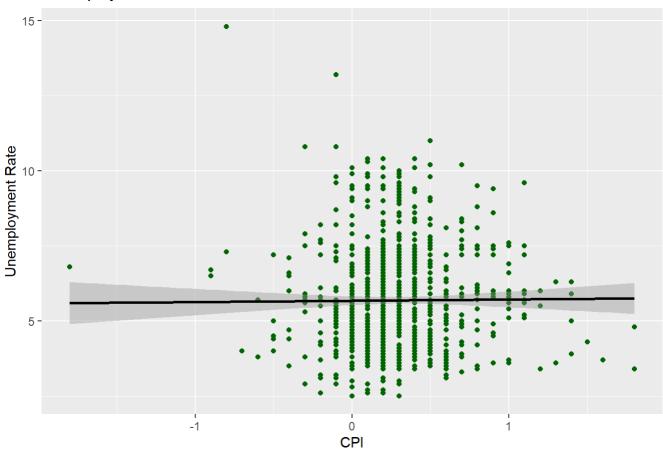
```
# Load Unemployment Rate Data
unemp_data <- read_csv("NoHeader_UnemploymentRate.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 78 Columns: 13
## — Column specification
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (13): Year, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

```
# Transform CPI
cpi_long <- cpi_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "cpi") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Transform Unemployment Rate
unemp long <- unemp data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "unemployment_rate") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Merge datasets
combined_data <- left_join(cpi_long, unemp_long, by = c("year", "month"))</pre>
# Create date column
combined data <- combined data |>
  mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
  arrange(date)
# Remove missing values
combined_data <- combined_data |>
  filter(!is.na(cpi), !is.na(unemployment_rate))
# Scatter plot with linear regression
ggplot(combined_data, aes(x = cpi, y = unemployment_rate)) +
  geom point(color = "darkgreen") +
  geom smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE, color = "black") +
  labs(title = "Unemployment Rate vs CPI", x = "CPI", y = "Unemployment Rate")
```

```
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```

Unemployment Rate vs CPI



4. Pearson Correlation Coefficient

correlation <- cor(combined_data\$cpi, combined_data\$unemployment_rate, method = "pearson")
print(paste("Pearson Correlation Coefficient:", round(correlation, 3)))</pre>

```
## [1] "Pearson Correlation Coefficient: 0.008"
```

```
# Load necessary libraries
library(ggplot2)
library(tseries) # For ACF function
```

Warning: package 'tseries' was built under R version 4.4.2

```
## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'quantmod':
## method from
## as.zoo.data.frame zoo
```

```
library(dplyr)
library(readr)

# Load and prepare CPI data (assuming CSV files are properly structured)
cpi_data <- read_csv("No Header_ConsumerPriceIndex.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 79 Columns: 13
```

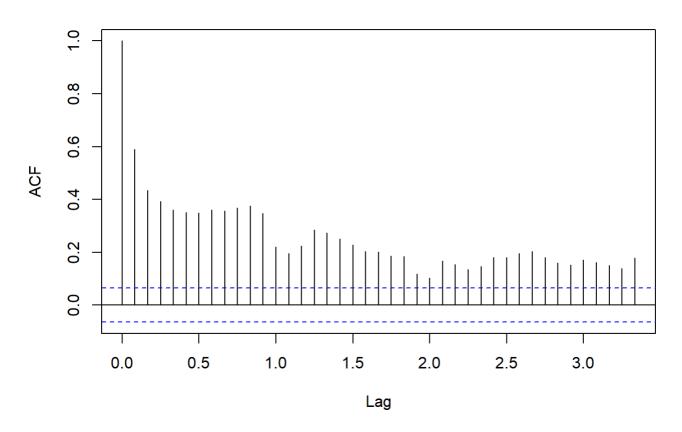
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##
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## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

```
# Load and prepare Unemployment Rate data
unemp_data <- read_csv("NoHeader_UnemploymentRate.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 78 Columns: 13
## — Column specification
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (13): Year, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec
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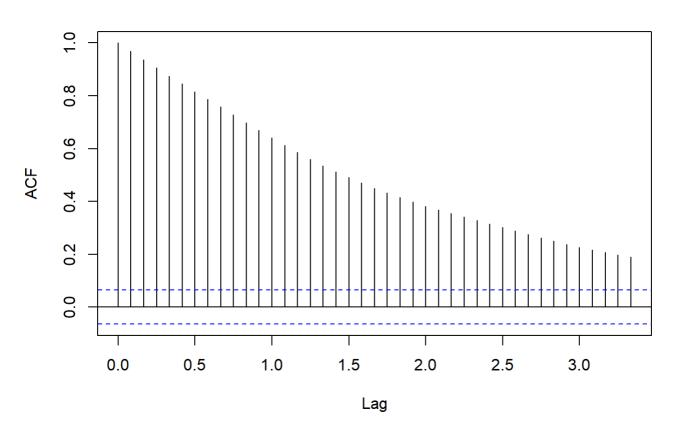
```
# Transform CPI data (from wide to long format)
cpi long <- cpi data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "cpi") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Transform Unemployment Rate data (from wide to long format)
unemp_long <- unemp_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "unemployment_rate") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Merge CPI and Unemployment Rate data
combined_data <- left_join(cpi_long, unemp_long, by = c("year", "month"))</pre>
# Create a Date column for easier plotting
combined data <- combined data |>
  mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
  arrange(date)
# Remove missing values
combined data <- combined data |>
  filter(!is.na(cpi), !is.na(unemployment rate))
# Convert to time series objects
cpi ts <- ts(combined data$cpi, start = c(min(combined data$year), 1), frequency = 12)</pre>
unemp_ts <- ts(combined_data$unemployment_rate, start = c(min(combined_data$year), 1), freque</pre>
ncy = 12
# ACF Plots for CPI and Unemployment Rate
# ACF for CPI (original series)
acf(na.omit(cpi_ts), main = "ACF of CPI (Original Series)", lag.max = 40)
```

ACF of CPI (Original Series)



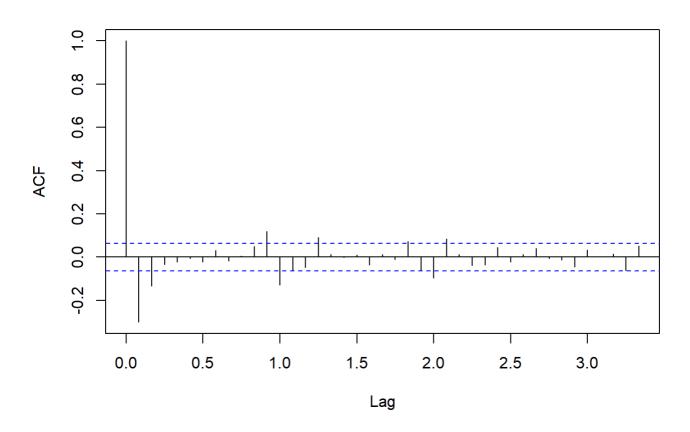
ACF for Unemployment Rate (original series)
acf(na.omit(unemp_ts), main = "ACF of Unemployment Rate (Original Series)", lag.max = 40)

ACF of Unemployment Rate (Original Series)



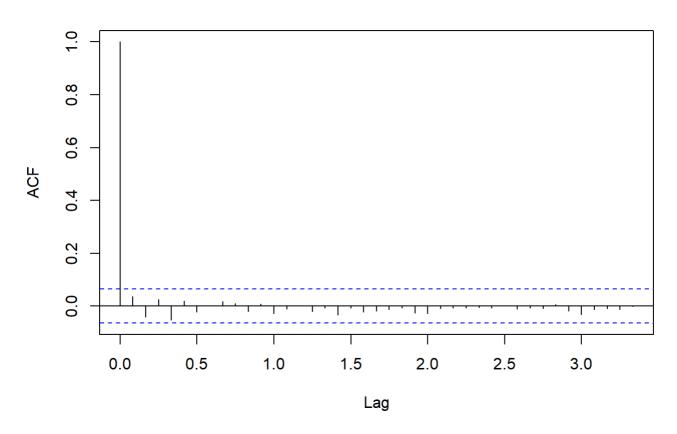
```
# ACF for differenced CPI (to check for stationarity if needed)
diff_cpi_ts <- diff(na.omit(cpi_ts))
acf(diff_cpi_ts, main = "ACF of Differenced CPI", lag.max = 40)</pre>
```

ACF of Differenced CPI



```
# ACF for differenced Unemployment Rate (to check for stationarity if needed)
diff_unemp_ts <- diff(na.omit(unemp_ts))
acf(diff_unemp_ts, main = "ACF of Differenced Unemployment Rate", lag.max = 40)</pre>
```

ACF of Differenced Unemployment Rate



```
# Make sure these libraries are loaded
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)

# Load CPI data
cpi_data <- read_csv("No Header_ConsumerPriceIndex.csv")</pre>
```

```
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```

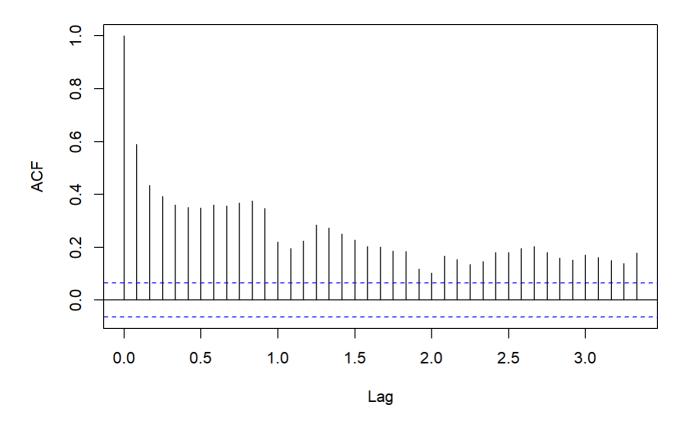
```
# Load Unemployment Rate data
unemp_data <- read_csv("NoHeader_UnemploymentRate.csv")</pre>
```

```
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##
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```

```
# Pivot CPI
cpi_long <- cpi_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "cpi") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Pivot Unemployment
unemp_long <- unemp_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "unemployment_rate") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Merge datasets
combined_data <- left_join(cpi_long, unemp_long, by = c("year", "month"))</pre>
# Create Date column
combined data <- combined data |>
  mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
  arrange(date) |>
  filter(!is.na(cpi), !is.na(unemployment_rate))
# Create ts objects
cpi_ts <- ts(combined_data$cpi, start = c(min(combined_data$year), 1), frequency = 12)</pre>
unemp_ts <- ts(combined_data$unemployment_rate, start = c(min(combined_data$year), 1), freque</pre>
ncy = 12
```

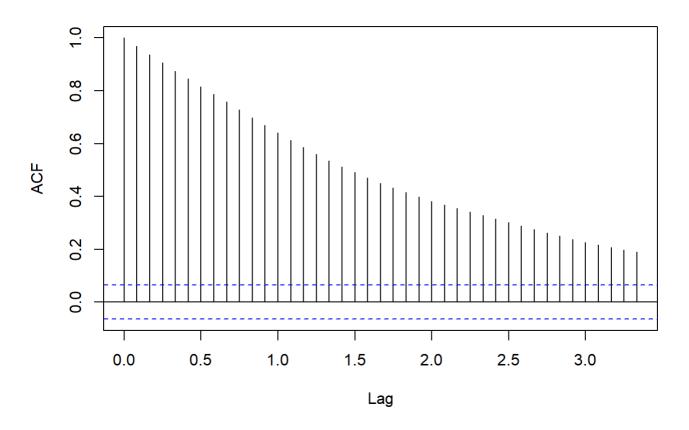
```
# ACF for CPI (original series)
acf(na.omit(cpi_ts), main = "ACF of CPI (Original Series)", lag.max = 40)
```

ACF of CPI (Original Series)



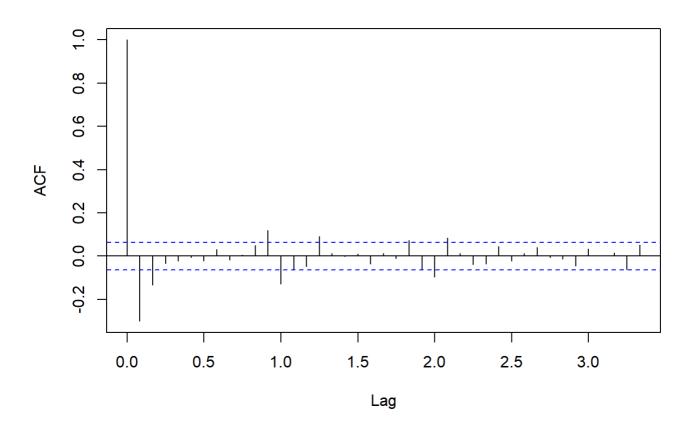
ACF for Unemployment Rate (original series)
acf(na.omit(unemp_ts), main = "ACF of Unemployment Rate (Original Series)", lag.max = 40)

ACF of Unemployment Rate (Original Series)



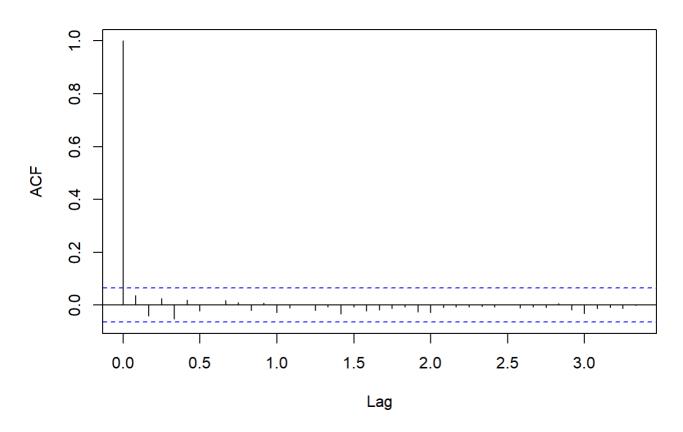
```
# ACF for differenced CPI
diff_cpi_ts <- diff(na.omit(cpi_ts))
acf(diff_cpi_ts, main = "ACF of Differenced CPI", lag.max = 40)</pre>
```

ACF of Differenced CPI



```
# ACF for differenced Unemployment Rate
diff_unemp_ts <- diff(na.omit(unemp_ts))
acf(diff_unemp_ts, main = "ACF of Differenced Unemployment Rate", lag.max = 40)</pre>
```

ACF of Differenced Unemployment Rate



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```

```
unemp_data <- read_csv("NoHeader_UnemploymentRate.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Rows: 78 Columns: 13
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##
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```

```
# Transform data (Long format)
cpi_long <- cpi_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "cpi") |>
  rename(year = Year)
unemp_long <- unemp_data |>
  pivot_longer(cols = -Year, names_to = "month", values_to = "unemployment_rate") |>
  rename(year = Year)
# Merge and clean
combined data <- left join(cpi long, unemp long, by = c("year", "month")) |>
  mutate(date = as.Date(paste(year, month, "01", sep = "-"), format = "%Y-%B-%d")) |>
  arrange(date) |>
  filter(!is.na(cpi), !is.na(unemployment_rate))
# Run Simple Linear Regression
# -----
# Model: Unemployment Rate ~ CPI
slr_model <- lm(unemployment_rate ~ cpi, data = combined_data)</pre>
# View model summary
summary(slr_model)
```

```
##
## lm(formula = unemployment_rate ~ cpi, data = combined_data)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.1807 -1.3426 -0.1807 1.0269 9.1672
##
## Coefficients:
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 5.66763
                          0.07368 76.924
                                           <2e-16 ***
## cpi
               0.04355
                          0.16904
                                    0.258
                                             0.797
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 1.71 on 924 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 7.182e-05, Adjusted R-squared: -0.00101
## F-statistic: 0.06637 on 1 and 924 DF, p-value: 0.7968
```