

# Analysis of Time Series, L5

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# Today

- 3.3: Difference equations (continued)
- 3.4:
  - ACF
  - PACF
  - Summary and examples
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# Difference equations

Order one:

- Solve  $u_n - \alpha u_{n-1} = 0$ ,  $u_0 = c$ .
- Recursion yields  $u_n = \alpha^n c$ .
- Equivalently,  $\alpha(B)u_n = (1 - \alpha B)u_n = 0$ ,  $u_0 = c$   
is solved by  $u_n = (z_0^{-1})^n c$   
where  $z_0 = \alpha^{-1}$  is a root of  $\alpha(z) = 1 - \alpha z$ .

# Difference equations

Order two:

- Solve

$$u_n - \alpha_1 u_{n-1} - \alpha_2 u_{n-2} = 0 \quad (1)$$

- Equivalently, write  $\alpha(B)u_n = (1 - \alpha_1 B - \alpha_2 B^2)u_n = 0$ .
- Denote the roots of  $\alpha(z)$  by  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .
- If  $z_1 \neq z_2$ , the general solution to (1) is

$$u_n = c_1 z_1^{-n} + c_2 z_2^{-n}.$$

- If  $z_1 = z_2$ , the general solution to (1) is

$$u_n = z_1^{-n}(c_1 + c_2 n).$$

# Difference equations

## Example 2: AR(2) (causal)

Let

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \phi_2 x_{t-2} + w_t,$$

i.e  $\phi(B)x_t = w_t$ ,  $\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \phi_2 B^2$ .

- 1 Show that the autocorrelation function satisfies, for  $h \geq 1$ ,

$$\rho(h) - \phi_1 \rho(h-1) - \phi_2 \rho(h-2) = 0.$$

- 2 Denote the roots of  $\phi(z)$  by  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ . Find an expression for  $\rho(h)$  when
  - a)  $z_1 \neq z_2$  and real
  - b)  $z_1 = z_2$
  - c)  $z_1 = \bar{z}_2$  is a complex conjugate pair

## ACF

MA( $q$ ):

- Let

$$x_t = \theta_0 w_t + \theta_1 w_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q w_{t-q}, \quad \theta_0 = 1.$$

- The ACF is given by (why?)

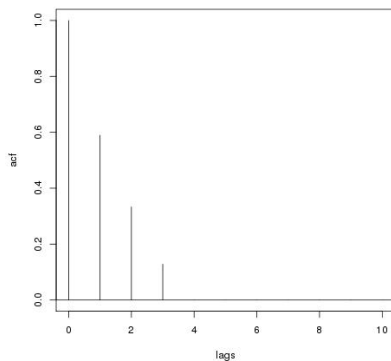
$$\rho(h) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_j \theta_{j+h}}{\sum_{j=0}^q \theta_j^2}, & 1 \leq h \leq q, \\ 0, & h > q \end{cases}$$

and  $\rho(-h) = \rho(h)$ .

- A good tool to identify  $q$ !

## ACF

Theoretical ACF of  $x_t = w_t + 0.6w_{t-1} + 0.4w_{t-2} + 0.2w_{t-3}$



## ACF

AR( $p$ ):

- Let

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \phi_2 x_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t.$$

- The ACF satisfies (why?)

$$\rho(h) - \phi_1 \rho(h-1) - \phi_2 \rho(h-2) - \dots - \phi_p \rho(h-p) = 0, \quad h \geq p.$$

- What is the general form of the solution?



## ACF

Recall the difference equation of order two:

- Solve

$$u_n - \alpha_1 u_{n-1} - \alpha_2 u_{n-2} = 0 \quad (2)$$

- Equivalently, write  $\alpha(B)u_n = (1 - \alpha_1 B - \alpha_2 B^2)u_n = 0$ .
- Denote the roots of  $\alpha(z)$  by  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .
- If  $z_1 \neq z_2$ , the general solution to (2) is

$$u_n = z_1^{-n} c_1 + z_2^{-n} c_2.$$

- If  $z_1 = z_2$ , the general solution to (2) is

$$u_n = z_1^{-n} (c_1 + c_2 n).$$

## ACF

In general:

- Solve

$$u_n - \alpha_1 u_{n-1} - \alpha_2 u_{n-2} - \dots - \alpha_p u_{n-p} = 0. \quad (3)$$

- Equivalently, write

$$\alpha(B)u_n = (1 - \alpha_1 B - \alpha_2 B^2 - \dots - \alpha_p B^p)u_n = 0.$$

- Denote the roots of  $\alpha(z)$  by  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r$ , each with multiplicity  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$ .
- The general solution to (3) is of the form

$$u_n = z_1^{-n} P_1(n) + z_2^{-n} P_2(n) + \dots + z_r^{-n} P_r(n),$$

where  $P_1(n), \dots, P_r(n)$  are polynomials of degrees  $m_1 - 1, \dots, m_r - 1$ .

## ACF

AR( $p$ ):

- Solve

$$\rho(h) - \phi_1\rho(h-1) - \phi_2\rho(h-2) - \dots - \phi_p\rho(h-p) = 0, \quad h \geq p. \quad (4)$$

- Equivalently, write

$$\phi(B)\rho(h) = (1 - \phi_1B - \phi_2B^2 - \dots - \phi_pB^p)\rho(h) = 0.$$

- Denote the roots of  $\phi(z)$  by  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r$ , each with multiplicity  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$ .
- The general solution to (4) is of the form

$$\rho(h) = z_1^{-h}P_1(h) + z_2^{-h}P_2(h) + \dots + z_r^{-h}P_r(h),$$

where  $P_1(h), \dots, P_r(h)$  are polynomials of degrees  $m_1 - 1, \dots, m_r - 1$ .

## ACF

AR( $p$ ):



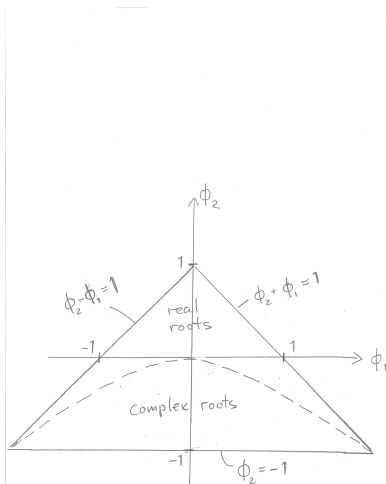
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where  $P_1(h), \dots, P_r(h)$  are polynomials of degrees  $m_1 - 1, \dots, m_r - 1$ .

- Assume that the model is causal (all  $|z_j| > 1$ ).
- If all roots are real, the ACF decays exponentially fast as  $h \rightarrow \infty$ .
- If some roots are complex, the ACF decays in a sinusoidal fashion.
- Not a good tool for identifying  $p$ !

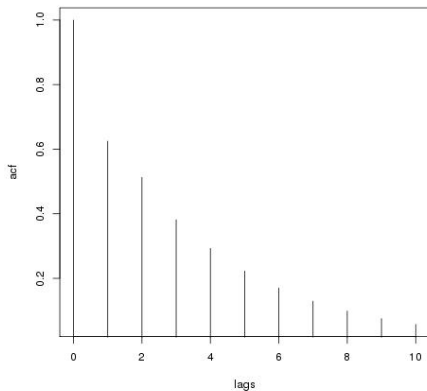
## ACF

Causality region (inside the triangle) for AR(2):



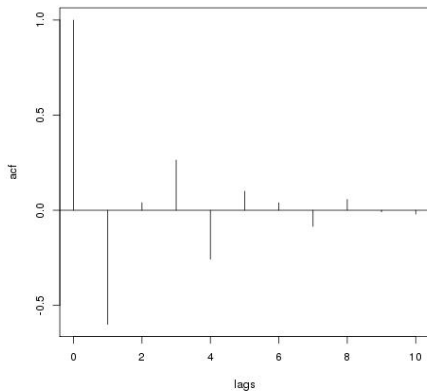
## ACF

Theoretical ACF of  $x_t = 0.5x_{t-1} + 0.2x_{t-2} + w_t$ . (Real roots.)



## ACF

Theoretical ACF of  $x_t = -0.9x_{t-1} - 0.5x_{t-2} + w_t$ . (Complex roots.)



## PACF

Let  $x_t = \phi x_{t-1} + w_t$  be causal.

- ① Calculate  $\text{cov}(x_{t+2}, x_t)$ . Is it zero?
- ② a) Find  $a$  such that  $E\{(x_{t+2} - ax_{t+1})^2\}$  is minimized.  
 b) Find  $b$  such that  $E\{(x_t - bx_{t+1})^2\}$  is minimized.
- ③ With such  $a, b$ , show that

$$\text{cov}(x_{t+2} - ax_{t+1}, x_t - bx_{t+1}) = 0.$$

(uncorrelated 'projection errors')



## PACF

- Let  $\{x_t\}$  be a mean zero stationary process. Take any  $h \geq 2$ .
- Let

$$\hat{x}_{t+h} = a_1 x_{t+h-1} + a_2 x_{t+h-2} + \dots + a_{h-1} x_{t+1}$$

be such that  $E\{(x_{t+h} - \hat{x}_{t+h})^2\}$  is minimized.

- Let

$$\hat{x}_t = b_1 x_{t+1} + b_2 x_{t+2} + \dots + b_{h-1} x_{t+h-1}$$

be such that  $E\{(x_t - \hat{x}_t)^2\}$  is minimized.

## Definition (3.9)

The *partial autocorrelation function* (PACF) is defined as

$$\phi_{hh} = \begin{cases} \text{corr}(x_{t+1}, x_t), & h = 1, \\ \text{corr}(x_{t+h} - \hat{x}_{t+h}, x_t - \hat{x}_t), & h \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

## PACF



$$\phi_{hh} = \begin{cases} \text{corr}(x_{t+1}, x_t), & h = 1, \\ \text{corr}(x_{t+h} - \hat{x}_{t+h}, x_t - \hat{x}_t), & h \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

- If  $\{x_t\}$  is a normal (Gaussian) process,

$$\phi_{hh} = \text{corr}(x_{t+h}, x_t | x_{t+1}, x_{t+2}, \dots, x_{t+h-1}),$$

cf Appendix B.

# PACF

AR( $p$ ):

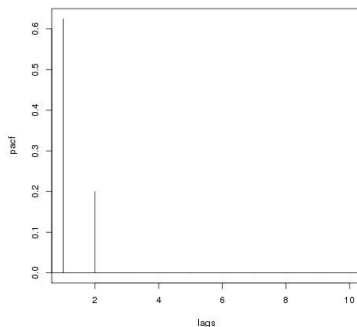
- Let

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \phi_2 x_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t.$$

- The PACF  $\phi_{hh} = 0$  if  $h > p$ . (Why?)
- It is a good tool for identifying  $p$ !

# PACF

Theoretical PACF of  $x_t = 0.5x_{t-1} + 0.2x_{t-2} + w_t$ .



Equals 0.2 at lag 2 and cuts off after this lag!

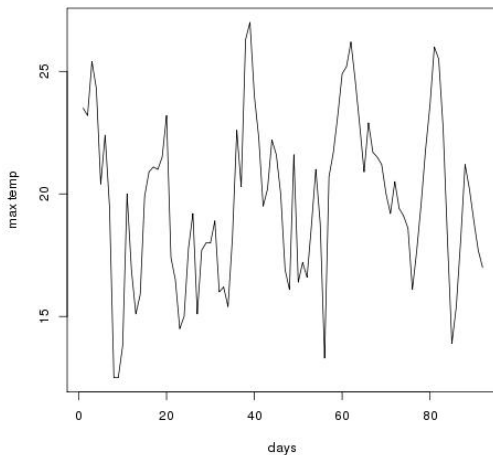
# Summary and examples

Table 3.1:

	$AR(p)$	$MA(q)$	$ARMA(p, q)$
ACF	Tails off	Cuts off after lag $q$	Tails off
PACF	Cuts off after lag $p$	Tails off	Tails off

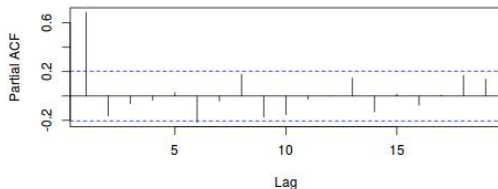
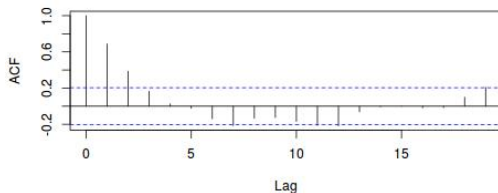
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Daily temperature, Uppsala, summer 1984.

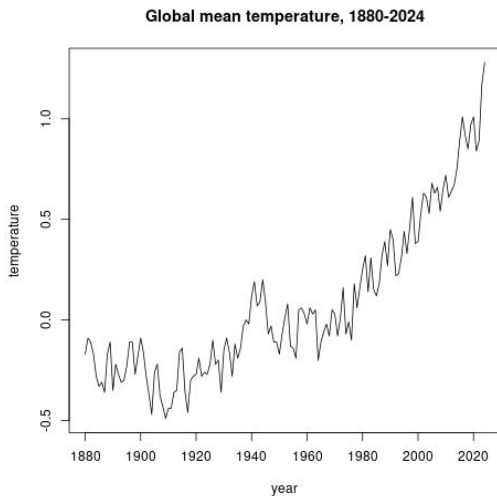


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Daily temperature, Uppsala, summer 1984, ACF and PACF. AR(1)?



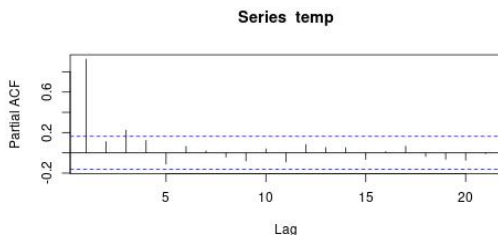
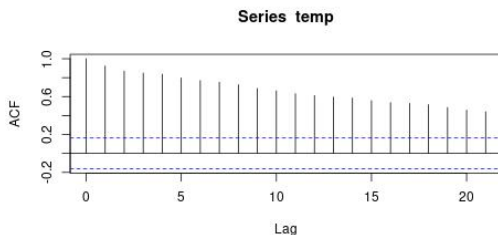
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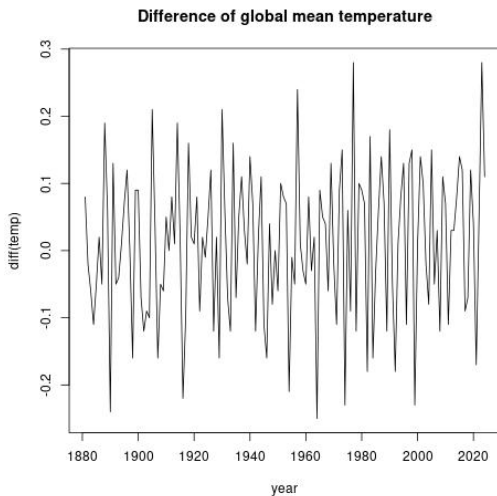


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Global mean temperature, ACF and PACF. (Indicates a trend.)

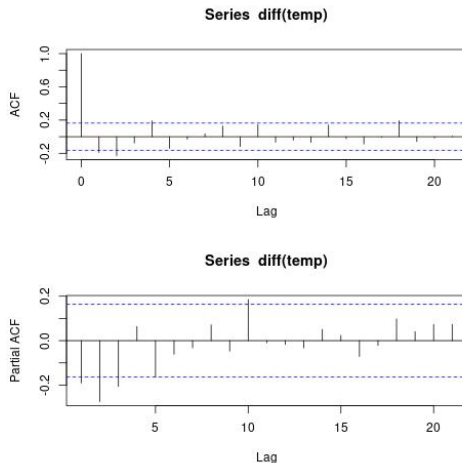


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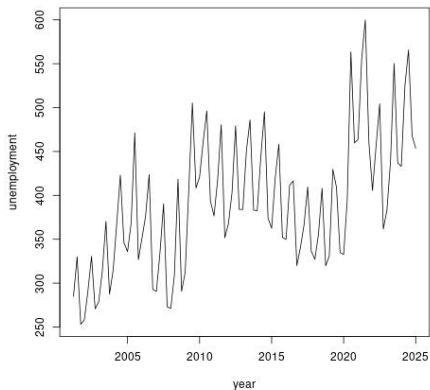
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Difference of global mean temperature, ACF and PACF.  
MA(2), MA(4), AR(3) or AR(5)...?



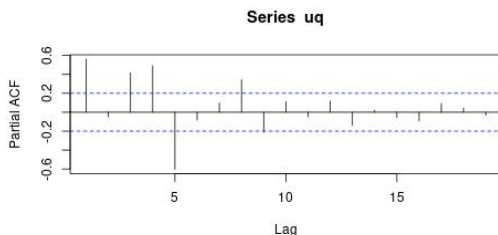
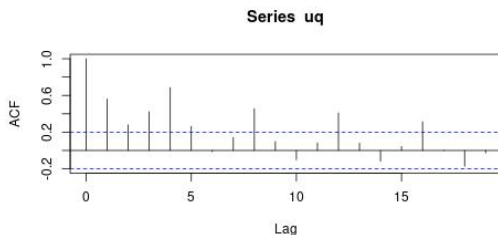
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Quarterly unemployment:

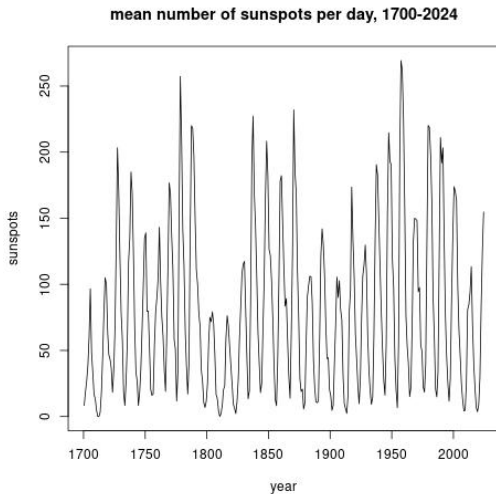


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Quarterly unemployment, ACF and PACF. MA(4) or AR(5)? Period of 4?

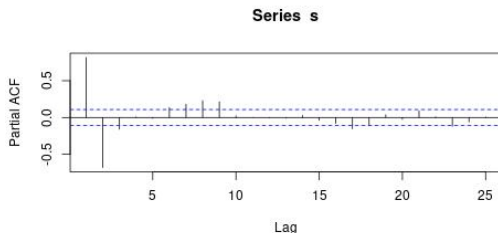
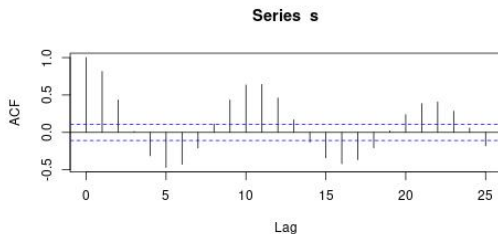


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Sunspots, ACF and PACF. ARMA? Period of 10 or 11?



# News of today

- Definition of the partial autocorrelation function (PACF).
- ACF and PACF for
  - MA processes
  - AR processes
  - ARMA processes
- Model identification, examples