initial exploration

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```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE)
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching packages ------ tidyverse 1.3.2 --
## v ggplot2 3.3.6
                  v purrr
                              0.3.4
## v tibble 3.1.8
                     v dplyr
                              1.0.9
## v tidyr
          1.2.0 v stringr 1.4.1
## v readr
          2.1.2
                   v forcats 0.5.2
## -- Conflicts -----
                                            ## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                   masks stats::lag()
library(lubridate)
##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
      date, intersect, setdiff, union
library(funtimes)
library(boot)
historic <- read_csv("NYPD_Arrests_Data__Historic.csv",
                   guess max = Inf)
## Rows: 5308876 Columns: 19
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (10): ARREST_DATE, PD_DESC, OFNS_DESC, LAW_CODE, LAW_CAT_CD, ARREST_BORO...
## dbl (9): ARREST_KEY, PD_CD, KY_CD, ARREST_PRECINCT, JURISDICTION_CODE, X_CO...
## 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.
summary(historic)
##
     ARREST_KEY
                      ARREST_DATE
                                           PD_CD
                                                        PD_DESC
                                       Min. : 0.0 Length:5308876
## Min. : 9926901
                      Length: 5308876
## 1st Qu.: 61436632
                                       1st Qu.:269.0
                      Class :character
                                                     Class : character
## Median : 85671028
                      Mode :character
                                       Median :511.0
                                                     Mode :character
## Mean :102879939
                                       Mean :505.8
## 3rd Qu.:150090000
                                       3rd Qu.:748.0
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##
   Max.
           :238513928
                                           Max.
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                     OFNS DESC
                                         LAW CODE
                                                            LAW CAT CD
##
   Min.
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                    Length:5308876
                                       Length:5308876
                                                          Length:5308876
##
   1st Qu.:126.0
                    Class : character
                                       Class : character
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##
   Median :341.0
                    Mode :character
                                       Mode :character
                                                          Mode :character
   Mean :298.4
   3rd Qu.:348.0
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##
   Max.
           :995.0
##
   NA's
           :9169
   ARREST_BORO
                       ARREST_PRECINCT
                                        JURISDICTION_CODE AGE_GROUP
                       Min. : 1.00
                                        Min.
##
   Length:5308876
                                              : 0.000
                                                           Length: 5308876
                       1st Qu.: 33.00
                                        1st Qu.: 0.000
##
   Class :character
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   Mode :character
                       Median : 60.00
                                        Median : 0.000
                                                          Mode :character
##
                       Mean
                            : 60.76
                                        Mean
                                              : 1.296
##
                       3rd Qu.: 84.00
                                        3rd Qu.: 0.000
##
                       Max. :123.00
                                               :97.000
                                        Max.
##
                                        NA's
                                               :10
##
     PERP SEX
                        PERP RACE
                                            X COORD CD
                                                               Y COORD CD
##
   Length: 5308876
                       Length: 5308876
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                                                             Min. : 121131
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   Class : character
                       Class : character
                                          1st Qu.: 993280
                                                             1st Qu.: 186857
   Mode :character
                       Mode :character
                                          Median :1004892
                                                             Median: 209285
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                                                            Mean : 214587
                                          Mean :1005355
##
                                          3rd Qu.:1015924
                                                             3rd Qu.: 236614
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                                          Max.
                                                 :1067302
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                                                                    :8202360
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       Latitude
                      Longitude
                                       Lon_Lat
           :40.50
                           :-74.25
                                     Length: 5308876
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   Min.
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   1st Qu.:40.68
                    1st Qu.:-73.97
                                     Class : character
  Median :40.74
                    Median :-73.93
                                     Mode : character
                    Mean :-73.92
## Mean
         :40.76
##
   3rd Qu.:40.82
                    3rd Qu.:-73.89
           :62.08
##
  Max.
                    Max.
                           :-73.68
##
  NA's
                    NA's
           :1
                           :1
historic_w_date <- historic %>%
  mutate(Date = as.Date(ARREST_DATE, "%m/%d/%Y"))
summary(historic_w_date)
      ARREST KEY
                        ARREST DATE
                                               PD CD
                                                             PD DESC
##
                                           Min. : 0.0
   Min. : 9926901
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                        Length: 5308876
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   1st Qu.: 61436632
                                           1st Qu.:269.0
                        Class : character
                                                            Class : character
##
  Median: 85671028
                        Mode :character
                                           Median :511.0
                                                            Mode :character
##
   Mean :102879939
                                           Mean
                                                 :505.8
##
   3rd Qu.:150090000
                                           3rd Qu.:748.0
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  Median :341.0
                    Mode :character
                                       Mode :character
                                                          Mode : character
          :298.4
## Mean
##
   3rd Qu.:348.0
## Max.
           :995.0
## NA's
           :9169
```

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ARREST BORO
                      ARREST PRECINCT JURISDICTION CODE AGE GROUP
                      Min. : 1.00
## Length:5308876
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                      1st Qu.: 33.00
## Class :character
                                      1st Qu.: 0.000
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                      Median : 60.00
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                                                        Mode :character
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                      Mean : 60.76
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                                            : 1.296
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  1st Qu.:40.68
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                                   Class :character
## Median :40.74
                 Median :-73.93
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                                                      Median :2012-07-10
## Mean
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                         :-73.92
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                                                            :2012-11-10
## 3rd Qu.:40.82
                   3rd Qu.:-73.89
                                                      3rd Qu.:2016-02-04
## Max.
          :62.08
                   Max.
                          :-73.68
                                                             :2021-12-31
                                                      Max.
## NA's
                   NA's
                          : 1
year_to_date <- read_csv("NYPD_Arrest_Data__Year_to_Date_.csv") %>%
 mutate(Date = as.Date(ARREST DATE, "%m/%d/%Y"))
## Rows: 93238 Columns: 19
## -- Column specification -------
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (10): ARREST_DATE, PD_DESC, OFNS_DESC, LAW_CODE, LAW_CAT_CD, ARREST_BORO...
## dbl (9): ARREST_KEY, PD_CD, KY_CD, ARREST_PRECINCT, JURISDICTION_CODE, X_CO...
## 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.
all arrests <- bind rows(historic w date, year to date)
summary(all_arrests)
##
     ARREST_KEY
                       ARREST_DATE
                                             PD_CD
                                                           PD_DESC
   Min. : 9926901
                       Length: 5402114
                                         Min. : 0.0
                                                         Length: 5402114
  1st Qu.: 62053042
                                         1st Qu.:268.0
                       Class : character
                                                         Class : character
## Median : 86350562
                       Mode :character
                                         Median :510.0
                                                         Mode :character
## Mean
         :105300015
                                         Mean
                                               :504.1
## 3rd Qu.:152357173
                                         3rd Qu.:748.0
## Max. :247417454
                                         Max.
                                                :997.0
##
                                         NA's
                                                :546
##
       KY CD
                    OFNS DESC
                                       LAW CODE
                                                         LAW CAT CD
## Min. :101.0
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##
  1st Qu.:126.0
                   Class : character
                                     Class : character
                                                        Class : character
## Median :341.0
                   Mode :character
                                     Mode :character
                                                        Mode :character
## Mean :297.5
## 3rd Qu.:348.0
```

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##
    Max.
            :995.0
##
    NA's
            :9473
    ARREST BORO
##
                        ARREST PRECINCT JURISDICTION CODE AGE GROUP
    Length:5402114
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##
                        Min.
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##
    Class : character
                        1st Qu.: 33.0
                                         1st Qu.: 0.00
                                                             Class : character
    Mode :character
                        Median: 60.0
                                         Median: 0.00
##
                                                             Mode :character
##
                        Mean
                               : 60.8
                                         Mean
                                                 : 1.29
                        3rd Qu.: 84.0
                                         3rd Qu.: 0.00
##
##
                        Max.
                                :123.0
                                         Max.
                                                 :97.00
##
                                         NA's
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##
      PERP_SEX
                         PERP_RACE
                                               X_COORD_CD
                                                                  Y_COORD_CD
                        Length: 5402114
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                        Mode :character
##
    Mode :character
                                             Median :1004892
                                                                Median : 209223
##
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                                                                        : 214481
                                            Mean
                                                                Mean
##
                                             3rd Qu.:1015947
                                                                3rd Qu.: 236608
##
                                            Max.
                                                                Max.
                                                                        :8202360
                                                    :1067302
##
                                             NA's
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                                                                NA's
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##
       Latitude
                       Longitude
                                         Lon_Lat
                                                                 Date
##
            :40.50
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                                       Length: 5402114
                                                            Min.
                                                                   :2006-01-01
##
    1st Qu.:40.68
                     1st Qu.:-73.97
                                       Class : character
                                                            1st Qu.:2009-05-22
    Median :40.74
                     Median :-73.93
                                       Mode :character
                                                            Median :2012-08-20
##
            :40.76
                             :-73.92
##
    Mean
                     Mean
                                                            Mean
                                                                   :2013-01-09
    3rd Qu.:40.82
                                                            3rd Qu.:2016-04-21
##
                     3rd Qu.:-73.89
##
    {\tt Max.}
            :62.08
                     Max.
                             :-73.68
                                                            Max.
                                                                   :2022-06-30
##
    NA's
            :1
                     NA's
                             :1
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    New Georeferenced Column
##
    Length: 5402114
##
    Class : character
##
    Mode :character
##
##
##
##
```

Has the arrest rate been decreasing from 2018-2022? Describe the trend and

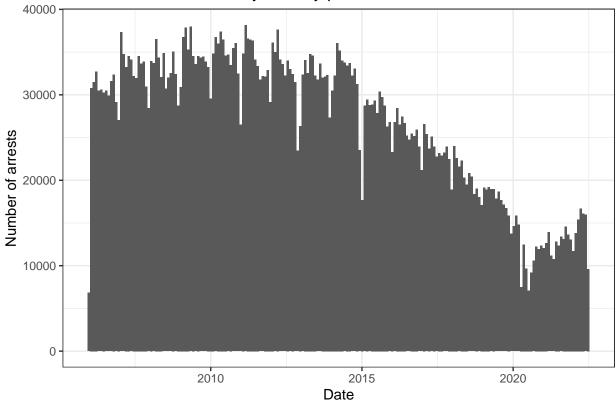
defend any statistical tests used to support this conclusion.

The arrest record has not decreased from 2018. It decreased from 2018 through mid 2020 and then increased thereafter.

I begin by having quick look at counts for 30 day periods for the entire period from 2006. I use all of the years, for now, to perhaps uncover cyclical affects (e.g. over each year) that may be distorted by COVID.

```
ggplot(all_arrests) + geom_histogram(aes(Date), binwidth=30) +
   labs(y = "Number of arrests", title="Count totals from 2006 by 30-day periods") +
   theme_bw()
```

Count totals from 2006 by 30-day periods

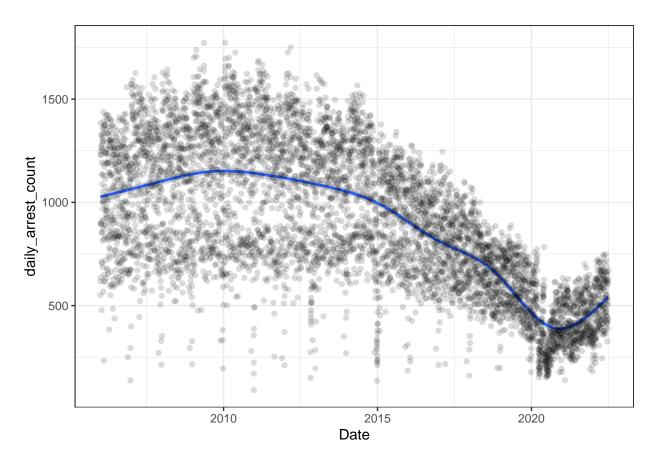


Find arrest counts for each day, to facilitate possible modeling (in the end, I used counts by week in my analysis). Have a quick look, noting that that the seeming cyclical effects, though somewhat evident for earlier years, are now more difficult to discern.

```
arrest_day_counts <-
all_arrests %>%
  group_by(Date) %>%
  summarize(daily_arrest_count = n())

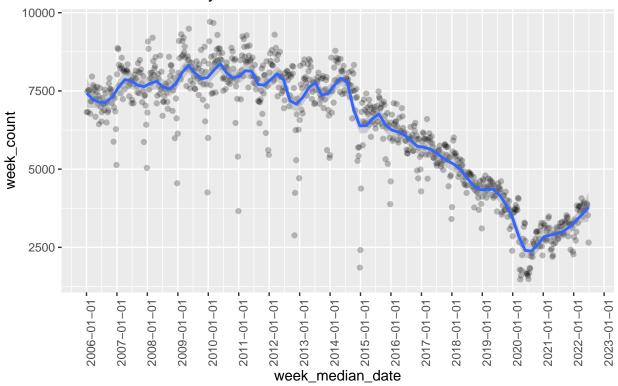
#plot the daily counts together with a loess-smoothed curve
ggplot(arrest_day_counts, aes(x=Date, y = daily_arrest_count)) +
  geom_smooth(span = .2) + geom_point(alpha = .15)+
  theme_bw()
```

'geom_smooth()' using method = 'gam' and formula 'y ~ s(x, bs = "cs")'



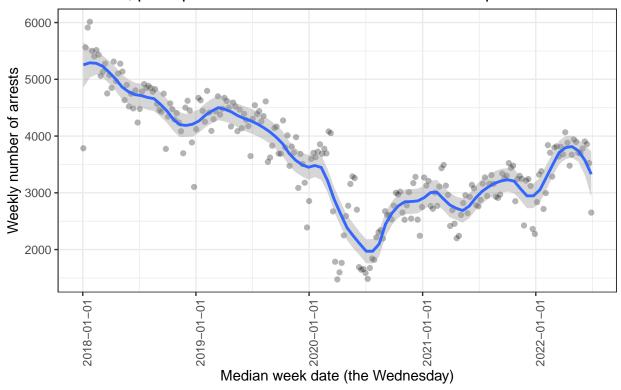
I might expect to see differences in week days, with e.g. more arrests of certain types on weekends. I will bin the weeks, obtaining the count for each week and assigning these counts to the median day of the week (Wednesday). With this, we might better visualize trends over time periods greater than a few weeks.

Weekly counts from 2006, with smoothing showing seasonal variation in earlier years



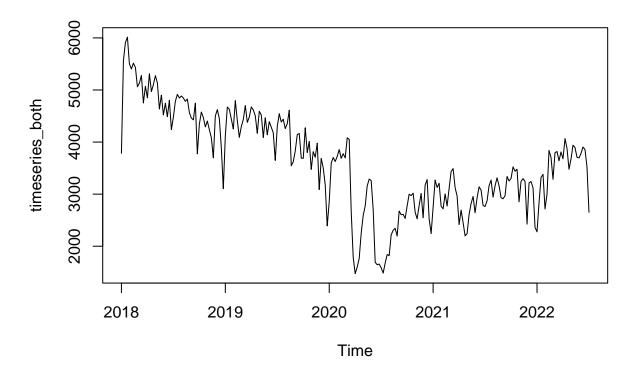
`geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'

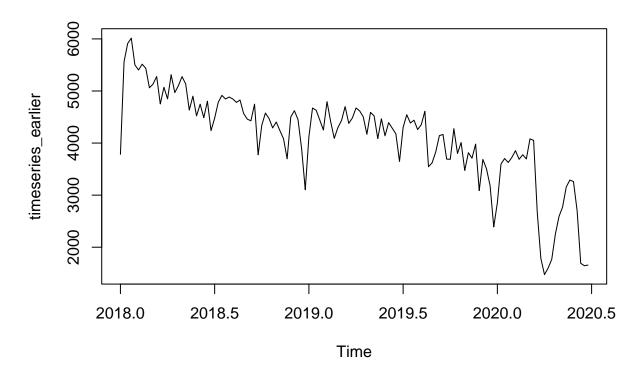
Weekly arrests from 2018, with smoothing showing seasonal variation, perhaps distorted due to COVID and other aspects

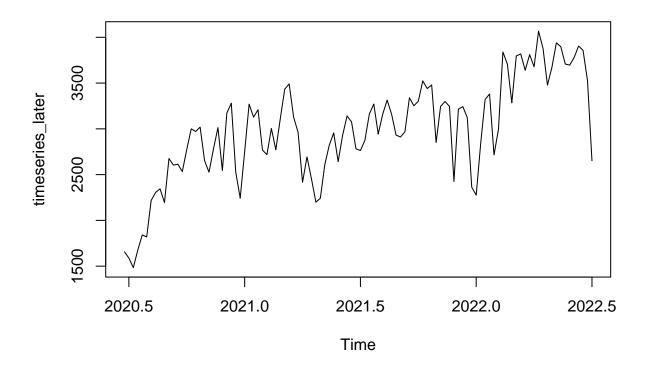


It appears that arrests decreased until the middle of 2020 and then started to increase. I will divide the data into these two time periods and apply a Mann-Kendall test with sieve bootstrap to the two time series resulting from separation of weeks before middle 2020 and weeks after middle 2020. This test allows that data be autocorrelated and that there be periodicity, which seems to exist, even if it is rather irregular.

As a first step, I put the relevant data into a time series R object and create a quick plot of the results







Now do the statistical significance tests on upward and downward trends for the respective time period. The test is for no trend (the null hypothesis versus some trend)

```
notrend_test(timeseries_earlier, B=1000, test='MK')
##
##
    Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: timeseries_earlier
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.6877, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
  sample estimates:
## $AR_order
  [1] 1
##
##
##
  $AR_coefficients
##
       phi_1
## 0.6165258
notrend_test(timeseries_later, B=1000, test='MK')
##
##
    Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: timeseries_later
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.54822, p-value = 0.002
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
```

```
## $AR_order
## [1] 4
##
## $AR_coefficients
## phi_1 phi_2 phi_3 phi_4
## 0.66380318 -0.24681672 0.09182166 0.16597143
```

What are the top 5 most frequent arrests as described in the column 'pd_desc'in 2018-2022? Compare & describe the overall trends of these arrests across time.

Moving on the Question 2, we count numbers of arrests by 'pd_desc for all weeks since 2018, and then subset the arrests dataset to list only the arrests within pd_desc categories with the top 5 counts.

```
pd_desc_counts_top5 <- all_arrests %>%
  filter(Date >= ymd('2018-01-01')) %>%
  count(PD_DESC) %>%
  arrange(desc(n)) %>%
  top_n(5)

## Selecting by n
```

```
print(pd_desc_counts_top5)
## # A tibble: 5 x 2
##
     PD DESC
                                         n
##
     <chr>>
                                     <int>
## 1 ASSAULT 3
                                     99757
## 2 LARCENY, PETIT FROM OPEN AREAS, 56001
## 3 ASSAULT 2,1,UNCLASSIFIED
                                     51694
## 4 TRAFFIC, UNCLASSIFIED MISDEMEAN 40527
## 5 ROBBERY, OPEN AREA UNCLASSIFIED 29773
pd_desc_subset <- all_arrests %>%
  filter(Date >= ymd('2018-01-01')) %>%
  inner_join(pd_desc_counts_top5, by="PD_DESC")
pd_desc_counts <- pd_desc_subset %>%
  mutate(week_floor = floor_date(Date, unit="weeks"),
         week_median_date = week_floor + 3) %>%
  group_by(PD_DESC, week_median_date) %>%
  summarize(week_count = n())
```

```
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'PD_DESC'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
```

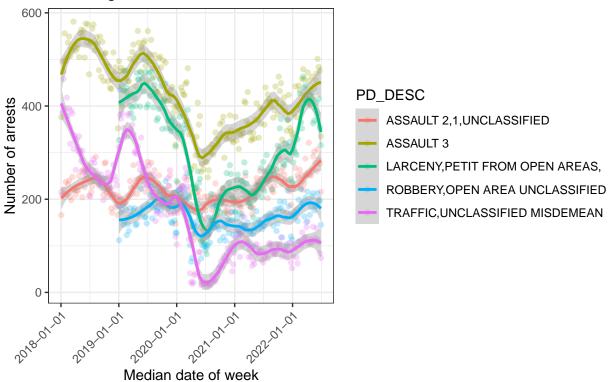
Visualizing the apparent trend, for the 5 categories with the highest count, we se similar trends as with the overall counts—decreasing until about middle 2020 and then increasing. Except that at least one of the crime categories shows week trends or perhaps no statistically significant trend at all. We check the statistical significance using the same test as with Question 1. Note that two of the categories show no 2018 data. These may be new or renamed categories (I have not explored this).

```
ggplot(pd_desc_counts, aes(x=week_median_date, y=week_count, color=PD_DESC)) +
  geom_point(alpha = .25) +
  geom_smooth(method = "loess", span = .2) +
  theme_bw() +
```

```
scale_x_date(breaks = '1 year') +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)) +
labs(title = "Top 5 crime categories from 2018, with smoothing\n showing trends similar to the overal
    x = "Median date of week",
    y = "Number of arrests")
```

$geom_smooth()$ using formula 'y ~ x'

Top 5 crime categories from 2018, with smoothing showing trends similar to the overall arrest trend



Put the counts for the 5 categories into separate variables and then do the statistical tests for the downward trend before mid 2020 and the upward trend after mid 2020

```
top5wide <- pd_desc_counts %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = PD_DESC,
              values_from = week_count)
top5wide %>% head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
     week_median_date `ASSAULT 2,1,UNCLASSIFIED` ASSAULT ~1 LARCE~2 ROBBE~3 TRAFF~4
##
     <date>
                                                                 <int>
                                                                          <int>
                                                                                  <int>
                                             <int>
                                                         <int>
## 1 2018-01-03
                                               166
                                                           376
                                                                    NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                    215
## 2 2018-01-10
                                               209
                                                                    NA
                                                                                    386
                                                           496
                                                                             NA
## 3 2018-01-17
                                               221
                                                           474
                                                                    NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                    458
## 4 2018-01-24
                                               211
                                                           556
                                                                    NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                    496
## 5 2018-01-31
                                               237
                                                           497
                                                                    NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                    394
## 6 2018-02-07
                                               210
                                                           504
                                                                    NA
                                                                             NA
                                                                                    418
## # ... with abbreviated variable names 1: `ASSAULT 3`,
```

```
2: `LARCENY,PETIT FROM OPEN AREAS,`, 3: `ROBBERY,OPEN AREA UNCLASSIFIED`,
     4: `TRAFFIC,UNCLASSIFIED MISDEMEAN`
for (i in 2:6){
  print(str_c("Column ", i))
 ts <- ts(top5wide[,i],</pre>
             start = c(2018, 1),
             frequency = 52)
  if (i %in% 4:5) {
    ts_early <- window(ts,</pre>
                   start = c(2019, 1),
                   end = c(2020, 26))
  } else {
    ts_early <- window(ts,</pre>
                   end = c(2020, 26))
  print("Earlier Period")
  print(notrend_test(ts_early, B=1000, test='MK'))
 print("Later Period")
 ts_late <- window(ts,</pre>
                    start = c(2020, 26))
 print(notrend_test(ts_late, B=1000, test='MK'))
## [1] "Column 2"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
##
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.20504, p-value = 0.022
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 1
## $AR_coefficients
##
       phi_1
## 0.4007805
##
##
## [1] "Later Period"
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.47345, p-value = 0.002
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
```

```
## [1] 4
##
## $AR_coefficients
        phi_1
                    phi_2
                               phi_3
                                           phi_4
  ##
## [1] "Column 3"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.51921, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 2
##
## $AR_coefficients
##
      phi_1
                phi_2
## 0.3195167 0.2159243
##
## [1] "Later Period"
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.58399, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 4
## $AR_coefficients
                    phi_2
                               phi_3
## 0.287532895 0.005090214 0.080753378 0.115167169
##
##
## [1] "Column 4"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
  Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.57969, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 2
## $AR_coefficients
       phi_1
                  phi_2
```

```
## 0.56170486 0.04507668
##
##
## [1] "Later Period"
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.7002, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 4
##
## $AR_coefficients
        phi_1
                   phi_2
                              phi_3
                                          phi_4
## 0.52260456 0.04355166 0.02173111 0.03941950
##
##
## [1] "Column 5"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.0096958, p-value = 0.959
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 1
##
## $AR_coefficients
      phi_1
## 0.5378248
##
##
## [1] "Later Period"
##
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.41491, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 1
##
## $AR_coefficients
       phi_1
## 0.1379164
##
##
## [1] "Column 6"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
```

```
##
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.5449, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR order
## [1] 4
##
##
  $AR_coefficients
##
        phi_1
                   phi_2
                               phi_3
##
   ##
##
##
  [1] "Later Period"
##
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.43043, p-value = 0.001
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR order
## [1] 3
## $AR_coefficients
        phi_1
                    phi_2
                               phi_3
## 0.520254352 0.002511877 0.060611831
```

If we think of arrests as a sample of total crime, is there more crime inprecinct 19 (Upper East Side) than precinct 73 (Brownsville)? Describe the trend, variability and justify any statistical tests used to support this conclusion.

This question asks us to compare crime rates, not just trends in crime rates. It can be misleading to say that one area has more crime than another area, without consideration of the population of those areas. I therefore found some population numbers and compared the per capital crime rates.

My sources:

https://johnkeefe.net/nyc-police-precinct-and-census-data

 $https://github.com/jkeefe/census-by-precincts/blob/master/data/nyc/DECENNIALPL2020.P1_metadata_2022-02-06T162722.csv$

Another tricky aspect with Question 3 is the seeming autocorrelation (over time) in the weekly crime rates. Most statistical tests that would compare, say, the average weekly crime rates of these areas require independent of the data points. This condition fails. I use bootstrapping to partially ameliorate this issue. I a not certain that my solution is ideal.

```
week_median_date = week_floor + 3) %>%
group_by(precinct, week_median_date) %>%
summarize(week_count = n())

## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'precinct'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.

ggplot(precinct_counts, aes(x=week_median_date, y=week_count, color=precinct)) +
    geom_point(alpha = .25) +
    geom_smooth(method = "loess", span = .2) +
```

labs(title = "Two precinct from 2006, with smoothing showing trends\n similar to the overall arrest t

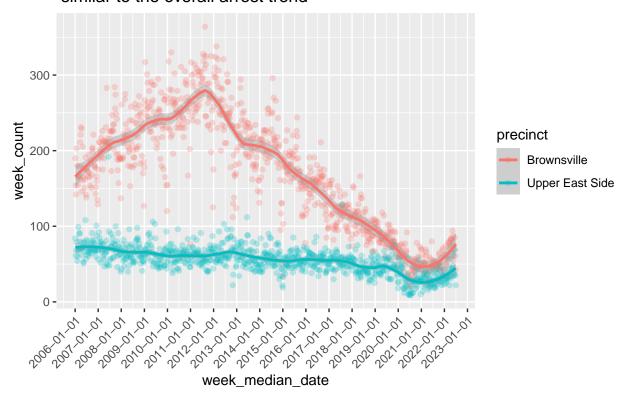
`geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'

scale_x_date(breaks = '1 year') +

mutate(week_floor = floor_date(Date, unit="weeks"),

theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)) +

Two precinct from 2006, with smoothing showing trends similar to the overall arrest trend



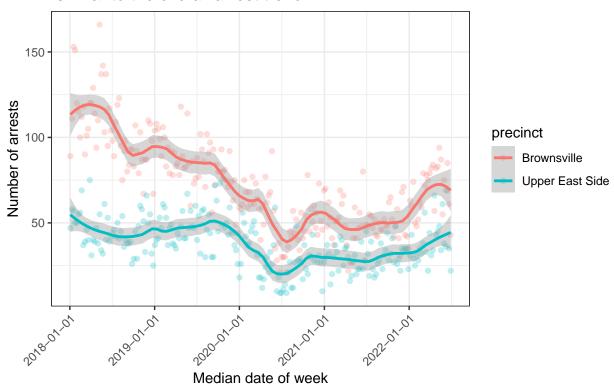
```
precinct_counts_fm_2018 <- precinct_counts %>%
    filter(week_median_date >= ymd("2018-01-01"))

ggplot(precinct_counts_fm_2018, aes(x=week_median_date, y=week_count, color=precinct)) +
    geom_point(alpha = .25) +
    geom_smooth(method = "loess", span = .2) +
    theme_bw() +
    scale_x_date(breaks = '1 year') +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)) +
    labs(title = "Two precincts from 2018, with smoothing showing trends\n similar to the overall arrest.")
```

```
x = "Median date of week",
y = "Number of arrests")
```

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

Two precincts from 2018, with smoothing showing trends similar to the overall arrest trend



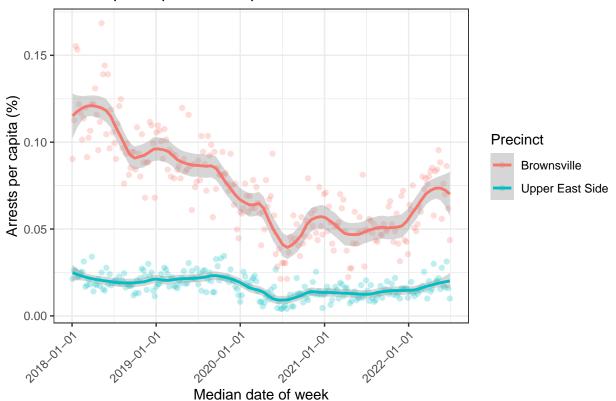
```
## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##
     week_median_date Brownsville `Upper East Side`
     <date>
                             <int>
                                                 <int>
##
## 1 2018-01-03
                                 89
                                                    47
## 2 2018-01-10
                                111
                                                    58
## 3 2018-01-17
                                153
                                                    57
## 4 2018-01-24
                                                    50
                                151
## 5 2018-01-31
                                120
                                                    50
## 6 2018-02-07
                                115
                                                    55
```

```
frequency = 52)
 ts_early <- window(ts,
              end = c(2020, 26))
 print("Earlier Period")
 print(notrend_test(ts_early, B=1000, test='MK'))
 print("Later Period")
 ts_late <- window(ts,
                   start = c(2020, 26))
 print(notrend_test(ts_late, B=1000, test='MK'))
## [1] "Column 2"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.60437, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 4
##
## $AR_coefficients
                               phi_3
        phi 1
                    phi 2
  ##
##
## [1] "Later Period"
##
## Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.35488, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
## [1] 1
##
## $AR_coefficients
      phi_1
##
## 0.2825638
##
##
## [1] "Column 3"
## [1] "Earlier Period"
##
##
  Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.17689, p-value = 0.04
```

```
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR order
## [1] 2
## $AR coefficients
      phi 1
                phi 2
## 0.2056698 0.1416509
##
##
## [1] "Later Period"
##
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.33838, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR order
## [1] 3
##
## $AR_coefficients
##
                     phi 2
         phi_1
                                 phi_3
   0.08875647 -0.07324782 0.23561994
john_keefe_data = read_csv("nyc_precinct_2020pop (1).txt")
## Rows: 77 Columns: 145
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (145): precinct, P1_001N, P1_002N, P1_003N, P1_004N, P1_005N, P1_006N, P...
## 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.
Look at the arrests per capita for the two precincts. From the Keefe data, per the 2020 cencus, Precinct
19 has population 220,261, while Precinct 73 has population 98,506. I will assume that these numbers are
roughly accurate from 2018 to the present.
summary(precinct_wide)
## week_median_date
                          Brownsville
                                          Upper East Side
## Min.
         :2018-01-03
                         Min. : 21.00
                                          Min.
                                                : 9.00
## 1st Qu.:2019-02-16
                         1st Qu.: 51.00
                                          1st Qu.:28.00
                        Median : 71.00
## Median :2020-04-01
                                          Median :37.00
## Mean
          :2020-04-01
                         Mean : 72.63
                                          Mean
                                                :37.77
## 3rd Qu.:2021-05-15
                         3rd Qu.: 91.00
                                          3rd Qu.:47.00
                                :166.00
## Max.
           :2022-06-29
                        Max.
                                          Max.
                                                 :76.00
#arrests per capita as PERCENT
precinct_wide_adjusted <- precinct_wide %>%
  mutate(`Upper East Side per capita` = 100*`Upper East Side` / 220261,
         `Brownsville per capita` = 100 * Brownsville / 98506)
#make long to facilitate visualization with ggplot
precinct_long_adusted <- precinct_wide_adjusted %>%
```

```
pivot_longer(cols = c(`Upper East Side per capita`,
                         `Brownsville per capita`),
              names_to = "Precinct",
              values_to = "Arrests per capita")
precinct_long_adusted %>% head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
   week_median_date Brownsville `Upper East Side` Precinct
##
                                                                            Arres~1
                           <int>
##
    <date>
                                              <int> <chr>
                                                                              <dbl>
## 1 2018-01-03
                              89
                                                 47 Upper East Side per ca~ 0.0213
## 2 2018-01-03
                              89
                                                 47 Brownsville per capita
                                                                             0.0903
## 3 2018-01-10
                              111
                                                 58 Upper East Side per ca~ 0.0263
## 4 2018-01-10
                                                 58 Brownsville per capita
                              111
                                                                             0.113
## 5 2018-01-17
                              153
                                                 57 Upper East Side per ca~ 0.0259
## 6 2018-01-17
                              153
                                                 57 Brownsville per capita 0.155
## # ... with abbreviated variable name 1: `Arrests per capita`
ggplot(precinct_long_adusted, aes(x=week_median_date, y=`Arrests per capita`, color=Precinct)) +
 geom_point(alpha = .25) +
 geom_smooth(method = "loess", span = .2) +
 theme_bw() +
  scale_x_date(breaks = '1 year') +
 theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)) +
 labs(title = "Arrests per capita for two precincts",
      x = "Median date of week",
      y = "Arrests per capita (%)") +
  scale_color_discrete(labels = c("Brownsville", "Upper East Side"))
```

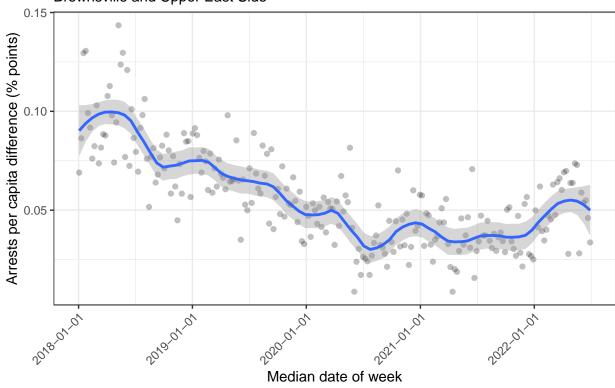
Arrests per capita for two precincts



Some analysis of the differences between the per capita arrest rates

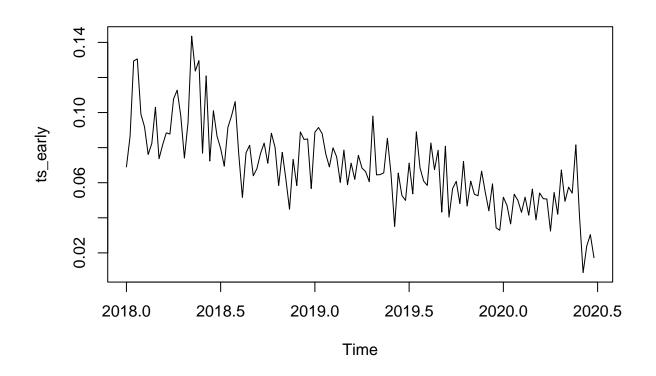
`geom_smooth()` using formula 'y ~ x'

Difference in weekly arrests per capita Brownsville and Upper East Side



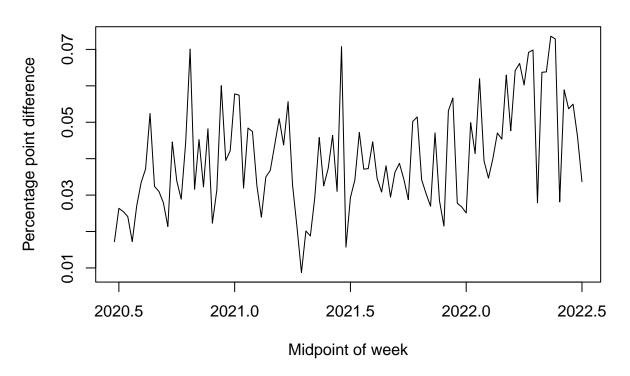
As with my previous analysis, there are notable differences between the time period before mid 2020 and the period after mid 2020. I will separate the data as before and then look for both trends and for overall differences between the precincts. The analysis of the overall differences, such as whether the differences in weekly arrest rates, between the two precincts, is statistically significant is complicated by the fact that the observations for each week are not independent. Most statistical tests, including non-parametric tests, assume independence. I ameliorate this issue by using bootstrap methods—resampling data to be used in statistical tests. All of my analysis will use population-adjusted arrest rates and will focus on the differences between the two precincts.

The trend analysis, again using sieve bootstrap.



```
print(notrend_test(ts_early, B=1000, test='MK'))
##
##
   Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_early
## Mann--Kendall's tau = -0.56858, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
  [1] 4
##
##
## $AR_coefficients
##
        phi_1
                   phi_2
                              phi_3
                                          phi_4
  print("Later Period")
## [1] "Later Period"
ts_late <- window(ts,
                  start = c(2020, 26))
plot(ts_late, main="Difference in weekly per capita arrest rate",
    xlab = "Midpoint of week", ylab="Percentage point difference")
```

Difference in weekly per capita arrest rate



```
print(notrend_test(ts_late, B=1000, test='MK'))
```

```
##
##
    Sieve-bootstrap Mann--Kendall's trend test
##
## data: ts_late
## Mann--Kendall's tau = 0.2671, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: monotonic trend.
## sample estimates:
## $AR_order
##
   [1] 1
##
## $AR_coefficients
##
       phi_1
## 0.1556195
```

We now look at the overall difference in the per capita arrest rates between the precincts, examining whether the differences in the weekly means are statistically significant.

```
early_differences <- percapita_difference[percapita_difference$week_median_date < ymd('2020-07-01'),]
early_differences %>% head()
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
     week_median_date Brownsville `Upper East Side` Upper East Si~1 Brown~2 diffe~3
##
     <date>
                             <int>
                                                <int>
                                                                <dbl>
                                                                         <dbl>
                                                                                 <dbl>
## 1 2018-01-03
                                89
                                                   47
                                                               0.0213 0.0903
                                                                               0.0690
## 2 2018-01-10
                               111
                                                   58
                                                               0.0263 0.113
                                                                                0.0864
```

```
## 3 2018-01-17
                              153
                                                 57
                                                             0.0259 0.155
                                                                             0.129
## 4 2018-01-24
                              151
                                                 50
                                                             0.0227 0.153
                                                                             0.131
## 5 2018-01-31
                              120
                                                 50
                                                             0.0227 0.122
                                                                             0.0991
## 6 2018-02-07
                                                 55
                              115
                                                             0.0250 0.117
                                                                             0.0918
## # ... with abbreviated variable names 1: `Upper East Side per capita`,
## # 2: `Brownsville per capita`, 3: difference
fc <- function(d, i){</pre>
   d2 < - d[i,]
   return(mean(d2$difference))
}
bootmean_early <- boot(early_differences, fc, R=1000)</pre>
boot.ci(bootmean_early, type = c('perc', 'bca'))
## BOOTSTRAP CONFIDENCE INTERVAL CALCULATIONS
## Based on 1000 bootstrap replicates
## CALL :
## boot.ci(boot.out = bootmean_early, type = c("perc", "bca"))
## Intervals :
## Level
            Percentile
         (0.0656, 0.0738) (0.0658, 0.0741)
## Calculations and Intervals on Original Scale
later_differences <- percapita_difference[percapita_difference$week_median_date >= ymd('2020-07-01'),]
later_differences %>% head()
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
   week_median_date Brownsville `Upper East Side` Upper East Si~1 Brown~2 diffe~3
     <date>
                            <int>
                                              <int>
                                                              <dbl>
                                                                      <dbl>
                                                                              <dbl>
## 1 2020-07-01
                               30
                                                  9
                                                            0.00409 0.0305 0.0264
## 2 2020-07-08
                               30
                                                 11
                                                            0.00499 0.0305 0.0255
## 3 2020-07-15
                                                            0.00636 0.0305 0.0241
                               30
                                                 14
## 4 2020-07-22
                               21
                                                  9
                                                            0.00409 0.0213 0.0172
## 5 2020-07-29
                               36
                                                 21
                                                            0.00953 0.0365 0.0270
## 6 2020-08-05
                               45
                                                 27
                                                            0.0123
                                                                     0.0457 0.0334
## # ... with abbreviated variable names 1: `Upper East Side per capita`,
## # 2: `Brownsville per capita`, 3: difference
bootmean_later <- boot(later_differences, fc, R=1000)</pre>
boot.ci(bootmean_later, type = c('perc', 'bca'))
## BOOTSTRAP CONFIDENCE INTERVAL CALCULATIONS
## Based on 1000 bootstrap replicates
##
## boot.ci(boot.out = bootmean_later, type = c("perc", "bca"))
## Intervals :
            Percentile
## Level
        (0.0379, 0.0432) (0.0380, 0.0433)
## Calculations and Intervals on Original Scale
```

Given the available data, what model would you build to predict crime to better allocate NYPD resources?

I would try a cluster analysis, or a number of cluster analyses, using as independent variables geographic coordinates, (x, y) pairs indicating specific points in the city, together with variables such as time of day, day of the week, the month, type of crime or zoning status (e.g. residential), etc. The type of model could be a simple k-means analysis or (preferably) a mixture model, with statistical distributions assigned to the clusters (the task of the model fit is to estimate the parameters of these distributions). Either type of model (k-means or mixture model) may produce centers where crimes and arrests of certain types tend to be concentrated. These centers in n-dimensional space, e.g. in 3 dimensions with the x and y coordinates and time since the start of the week. It might be useful to create separate models for certain, different, crime categories.

In a mixture model, the value of the dependent variable we are predicting (e.g a y on the left-hand side of the model equation) would be the value of the probability distribution function (for the probability of, say, an arrest). However, in addition to independent variables that have values in the data (e.g. the geographic coordinates), a model such as this will have latent traits or variables such as the cluster centers or the variances of the clusters. Variables or traits of particular interest will include (e.g.) cluster centers and (for mixture models) other parameters describing the clusters (e.g. variance of a normal distribution). In a similar fashion, in k-means clustering, the cluster centers will be of particular interest

A model such this might enhance efficient placement of police resources in certain locations at certain times, based on the properties of the clusters this model might discern. It might also, depending on the data that is used, allow allocation of police officers with certain specialties (with focus on certainly types of crimes).

As for model evaluation, the AIC or BIC criteria could be used to select one model over another. However, these measures will not tell us whether the final result is a good one (only that it is the best among possibly poorly-performing models). Cross validation could also be used for selecting one model over another. Two ways of evaluating a final model would be validation with data that is held out (a test set) or building a simulated dataset using the model. The actual data distributions and the simulated data distributions might then be compared using QQ plots (quantiles of one distribution plotted against quantiles of the other).

Challenges I might face include lack of direct access to what we want to measure. For example, we may know the arrest rate and need to use the arrest rate as proxy for the crime rate. The arrest rates might somewhat reflect greater amounts of policing in certain areas rather than greater amounts of crimes in those areas. Further analysis might be required to disentangle numbers of arrests due to actual crime numbers and numbers or arrests due to greater presence of policing. Another challenge, as always with large amounts of data and sophisticated models, will be limitations on computing resources.