Time Series Analysis

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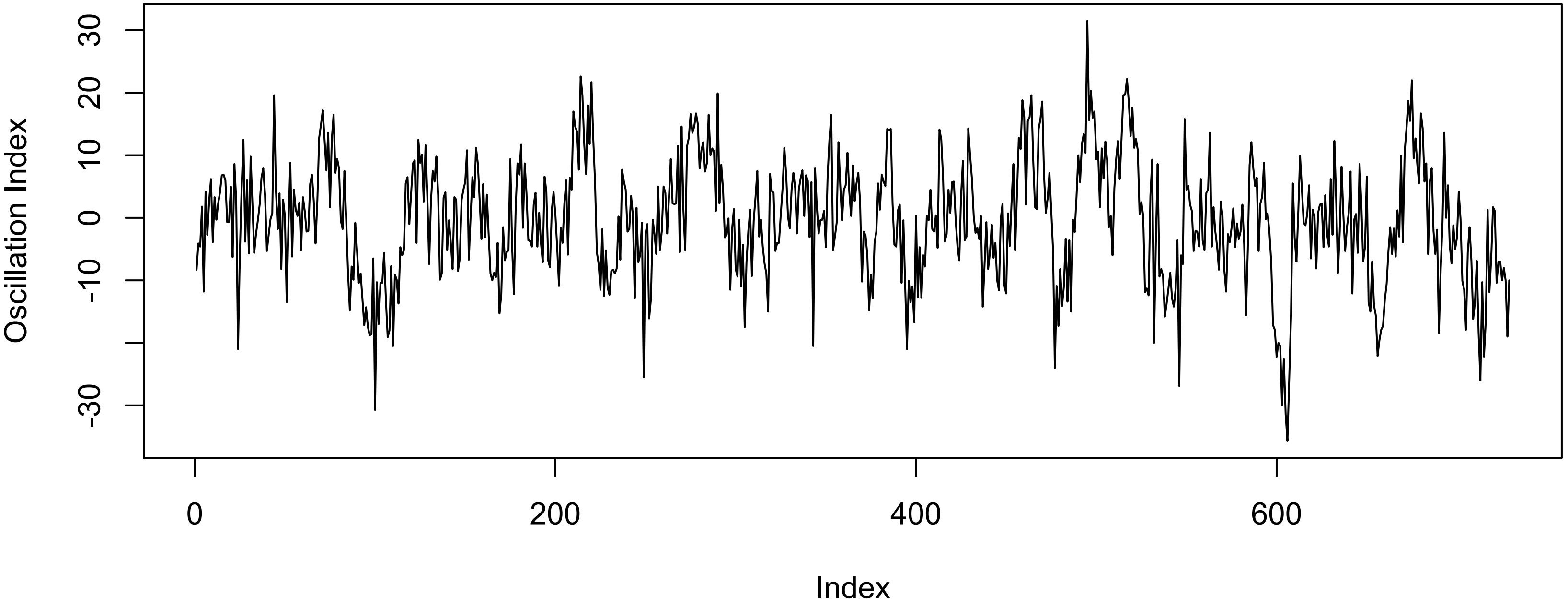

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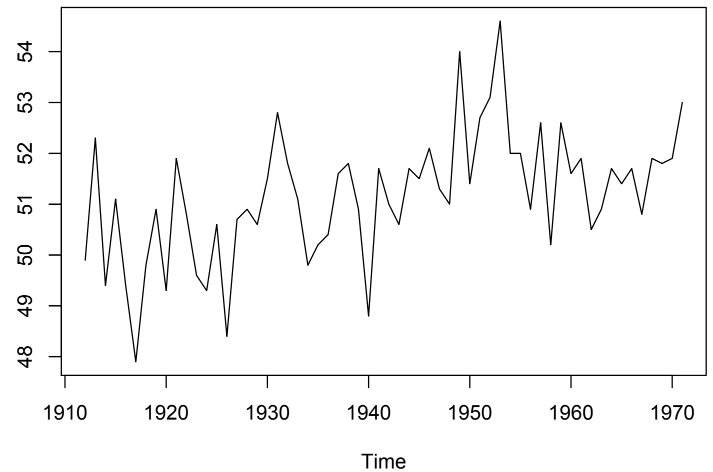

Linear regression models:

- Response variable (y)
- Independent variables (x)

Time series:

- Single process (y)

Idea:

- Exploit correlations within the data in order to understand and model the data
- Potentially forecast likelihood of future events

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When analysing time series, we are interested in how two values in the series – separated by k time-steps – affect each other.

k^{th} autocovariance:

$$\gamma_k = E(y_t - \mu)(y_{t-k} - \mu)$$

K: Lag

Average covariance between pairs of values that are k time steps apart in the series.

Since these are dependent on the scale of the process, these need to be standardised:

k^{th} autocorrelation:

$$\rho_k = \frac{\gamma_k}{\gamma_0}$$

The autocorrelation function is useful for characterising time series.

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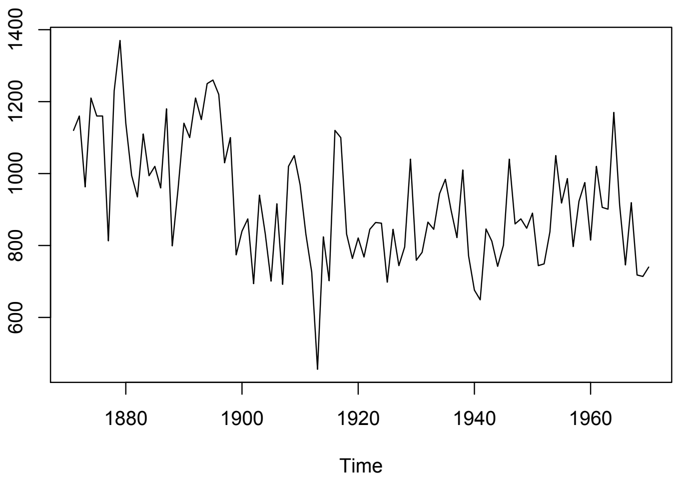

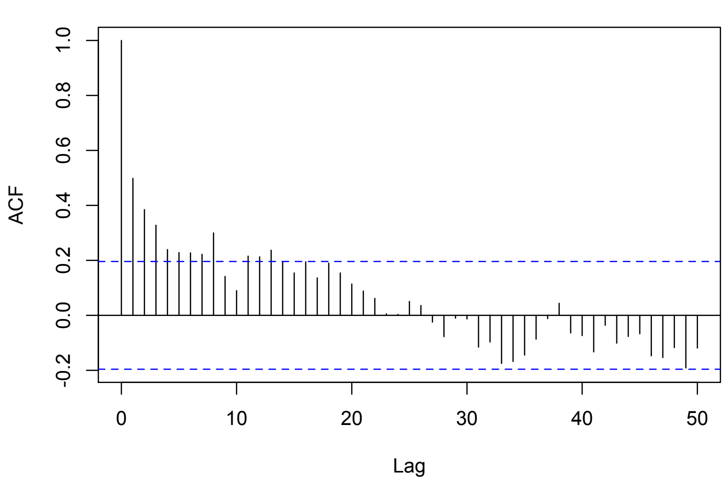

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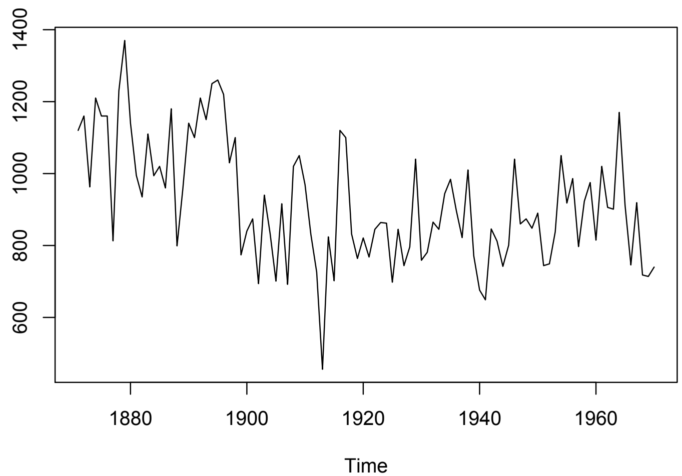

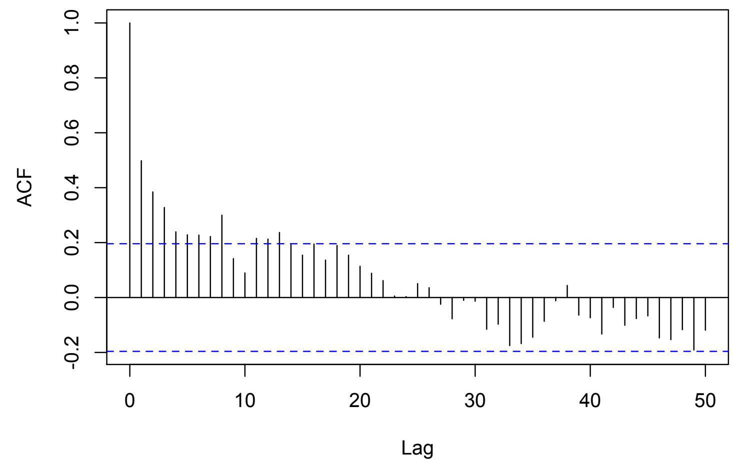

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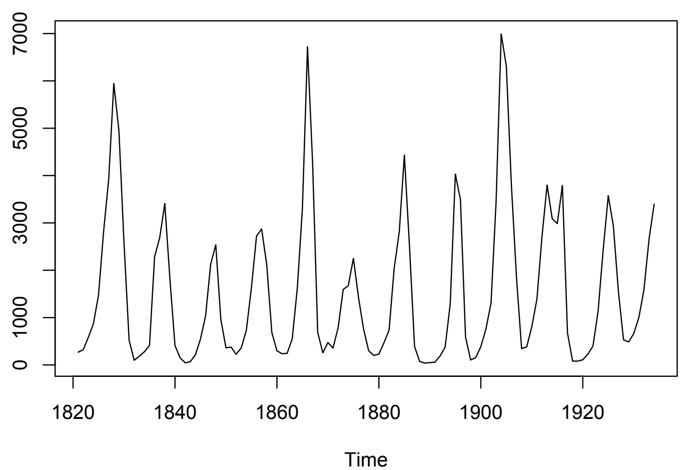

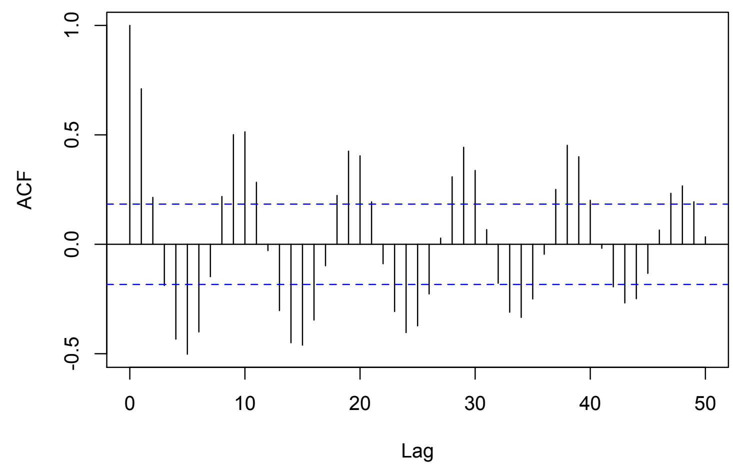

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Similarities to multiple regression model, except for the dependencies
Parameters estimated using least squares or maximum likelihood

Assumptions:

- Independent Gaussian errors
- Covariance stationary process (trend doesn't change over time)

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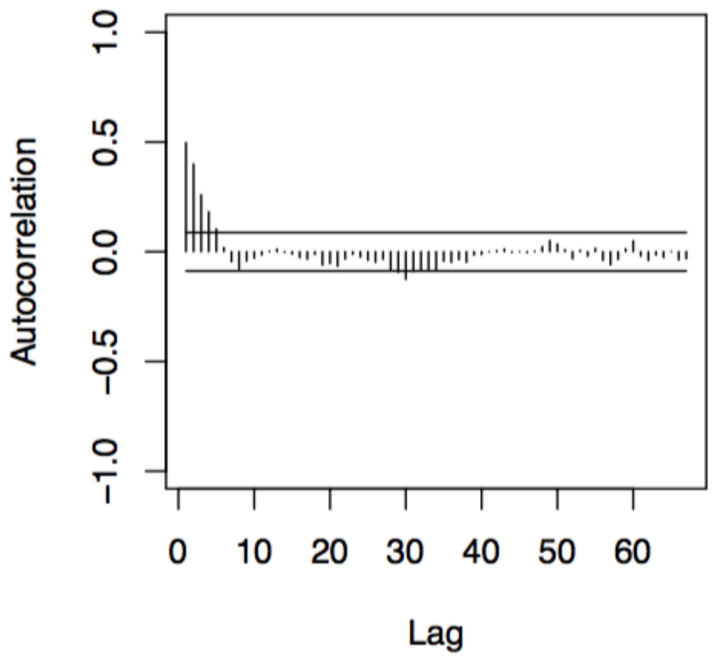

How to interpret ACF?

- Positive parameters: ACF should decay, not oscillate.
- Should decay gradually until within the confidence interval, then stay there.
- Can't infer order…

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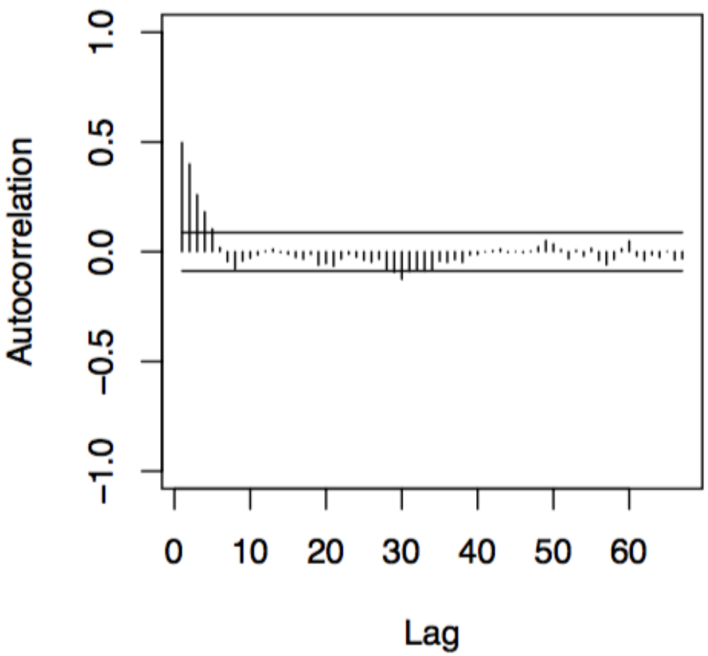

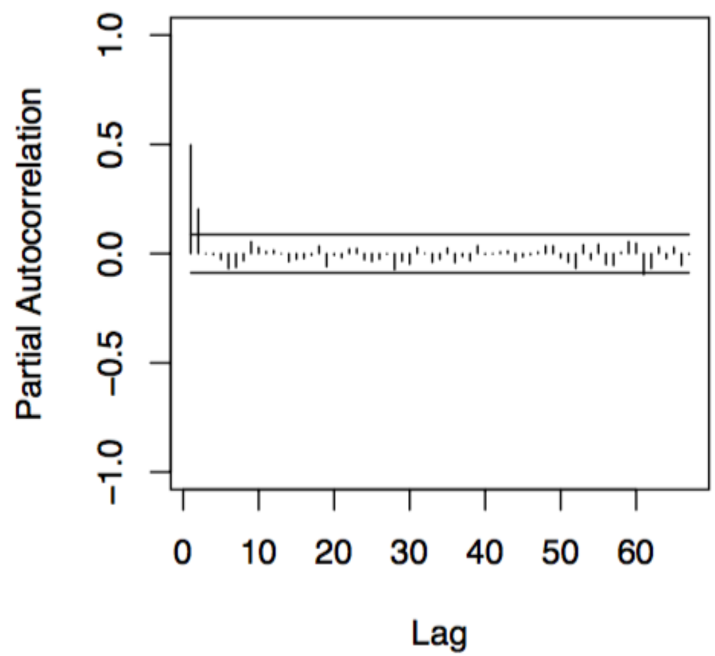

Partial autocorrelation function: $\alpha(p) = \varphi_p$ from a AR(p) model

Parsimonious modelling:

- First try AR(1), then AR(2), etc. until $H_0 : \alpha(p) = 0$ is not rejected.
- Failure to reject leads us to conclude that AR(p) is more appropriate than AR(p-1).

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Unlike multiple regression model there are multiple error terms
However, the current state is only ever dependent on a known no. of previous states

Since the current state only depends on the previous q states,
the ACF should suddenly drop to zero, unlike AR(p) processes

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More general models:

Auto Regressive, Moving Average:

ARMA(p,q): $$y_t = c + \underbrace{\varphi_1 y_{t-1} + \cdots + \varphi_p y_{t-p}}_{\text{AR(p)}} + \varepsilon_t + \underbrace{\theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \cdots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}}_{\text{MA(q)}}$$

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ARIMA(p,d,q): $x_t = \nabla^d y_t$ take d^{th} order differences

Considering ARIMA models can be a useful "transformation" if assumptions are violated

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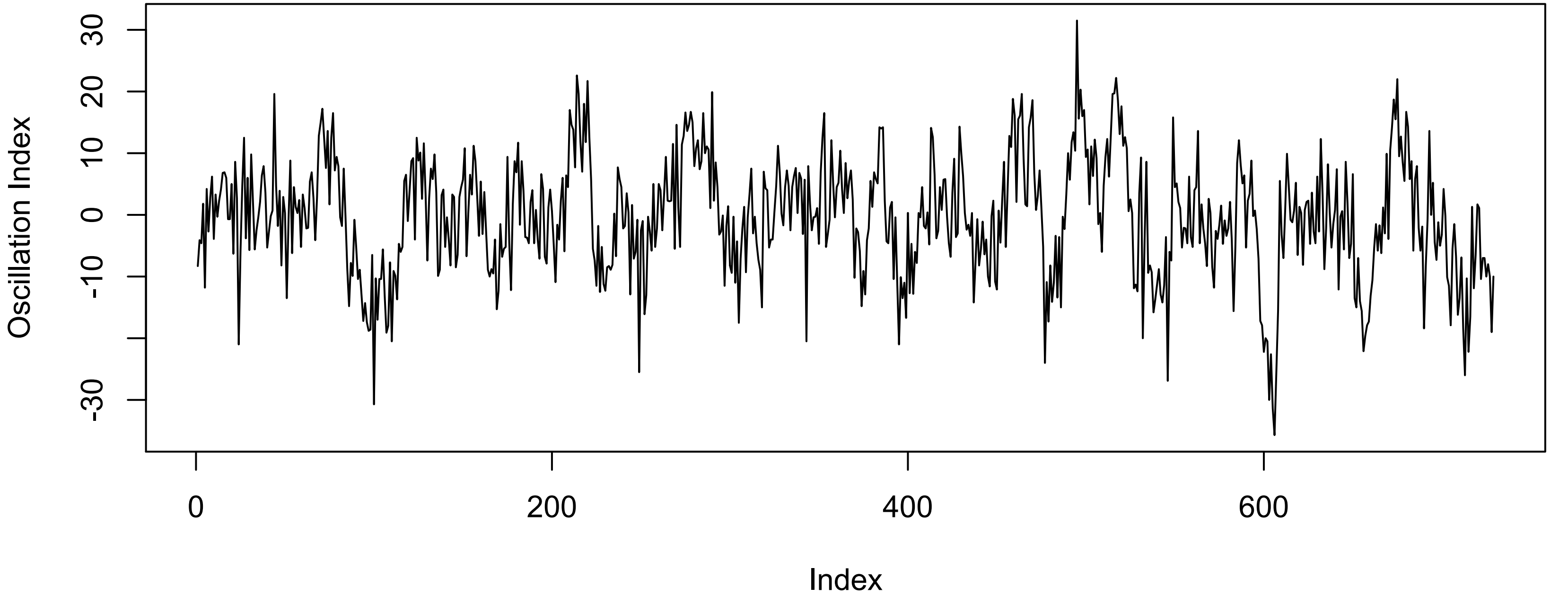

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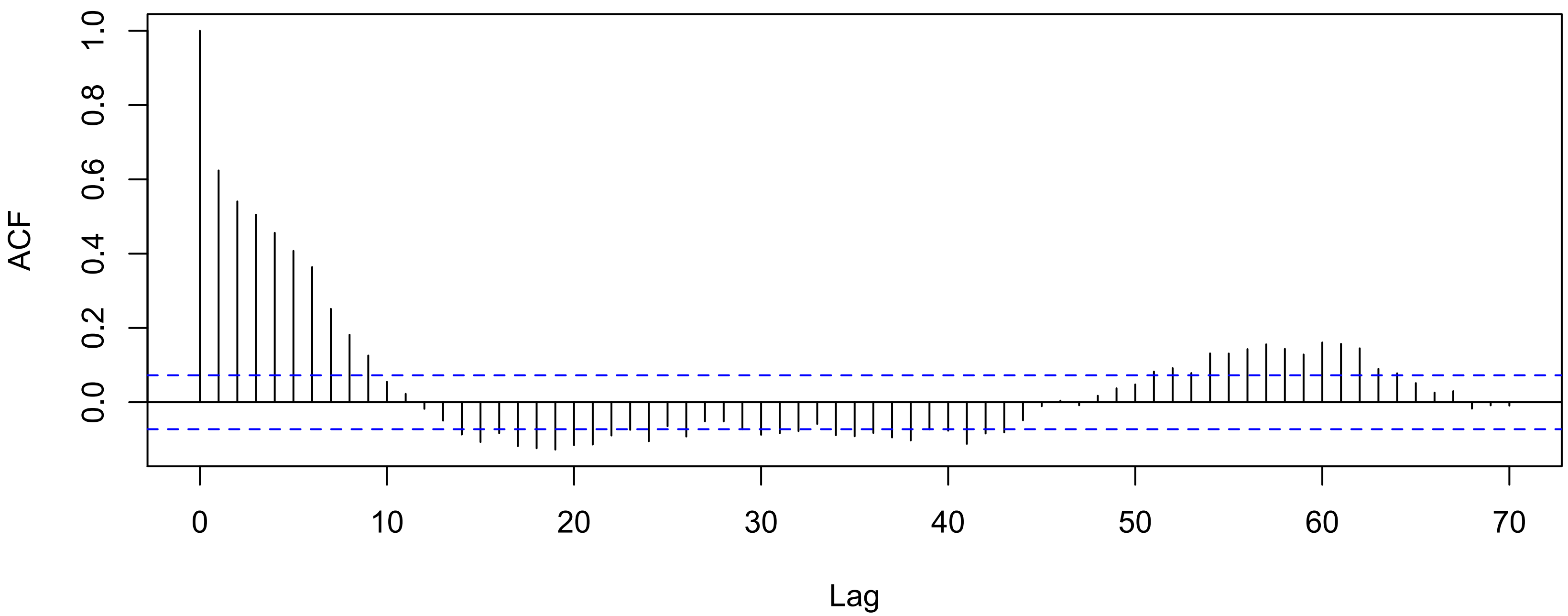

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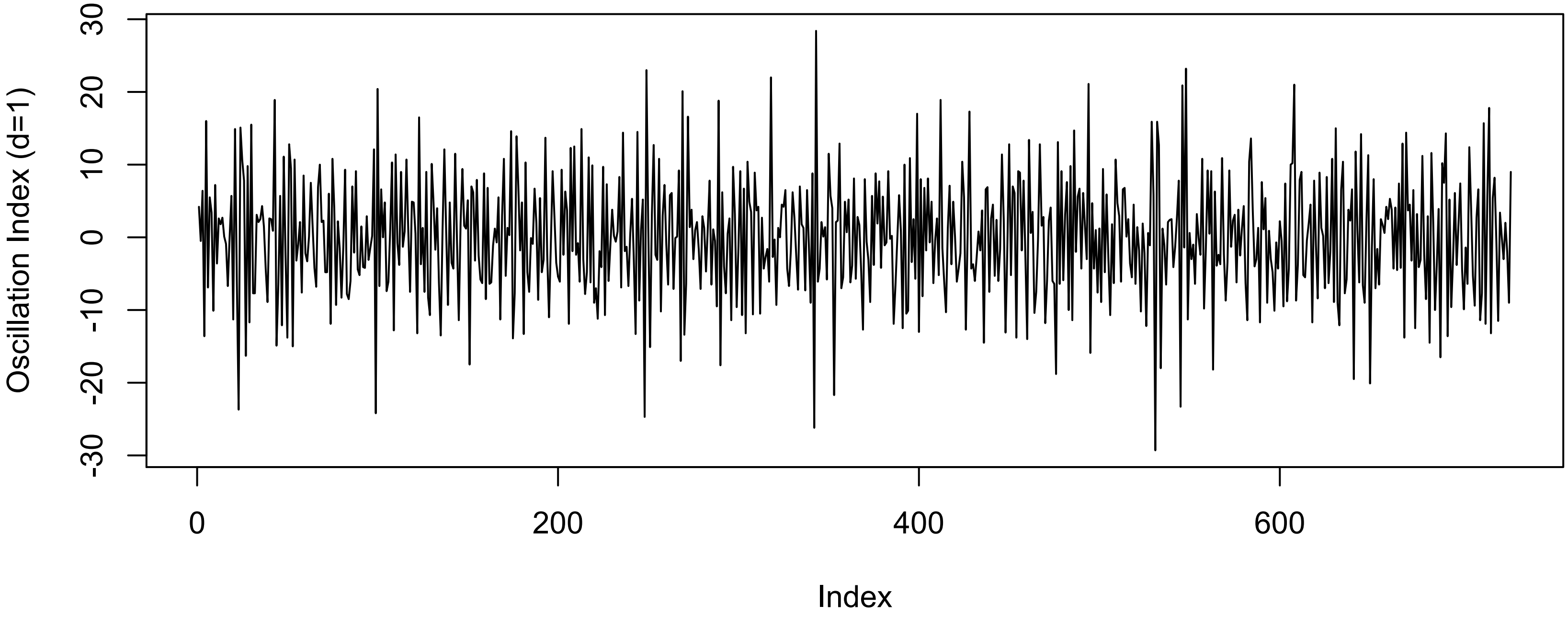

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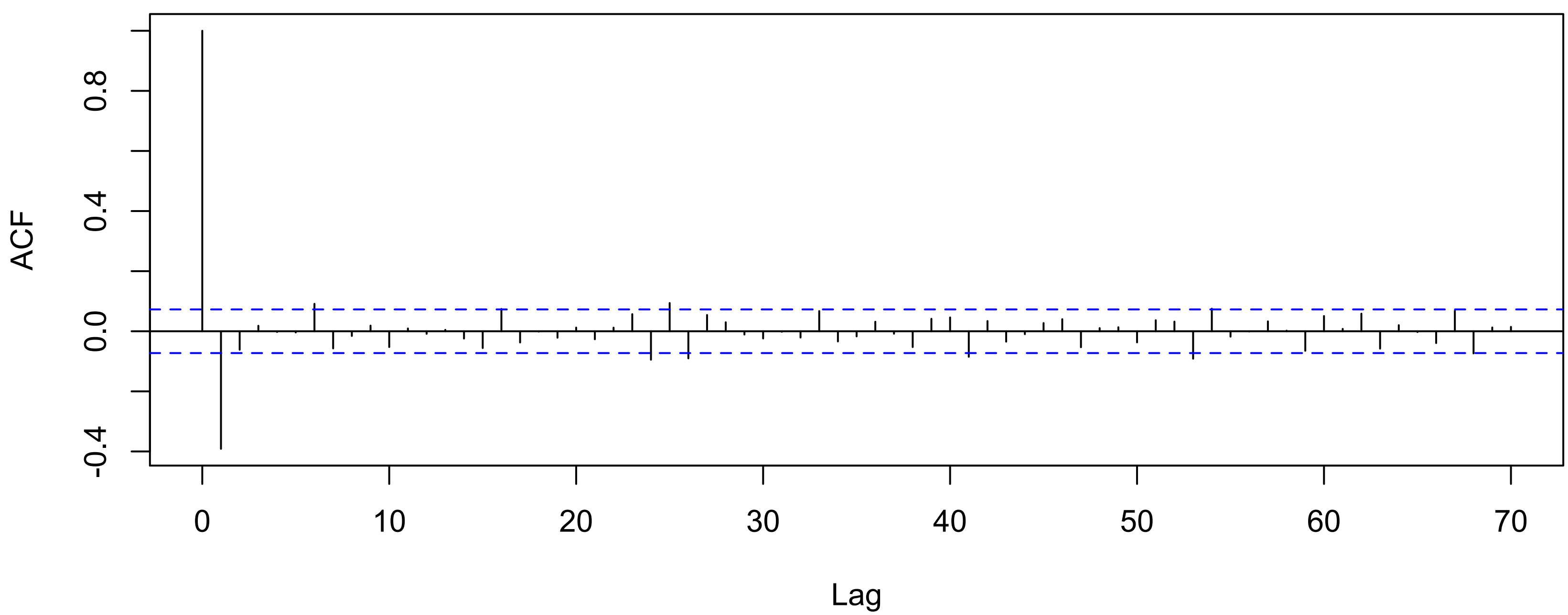

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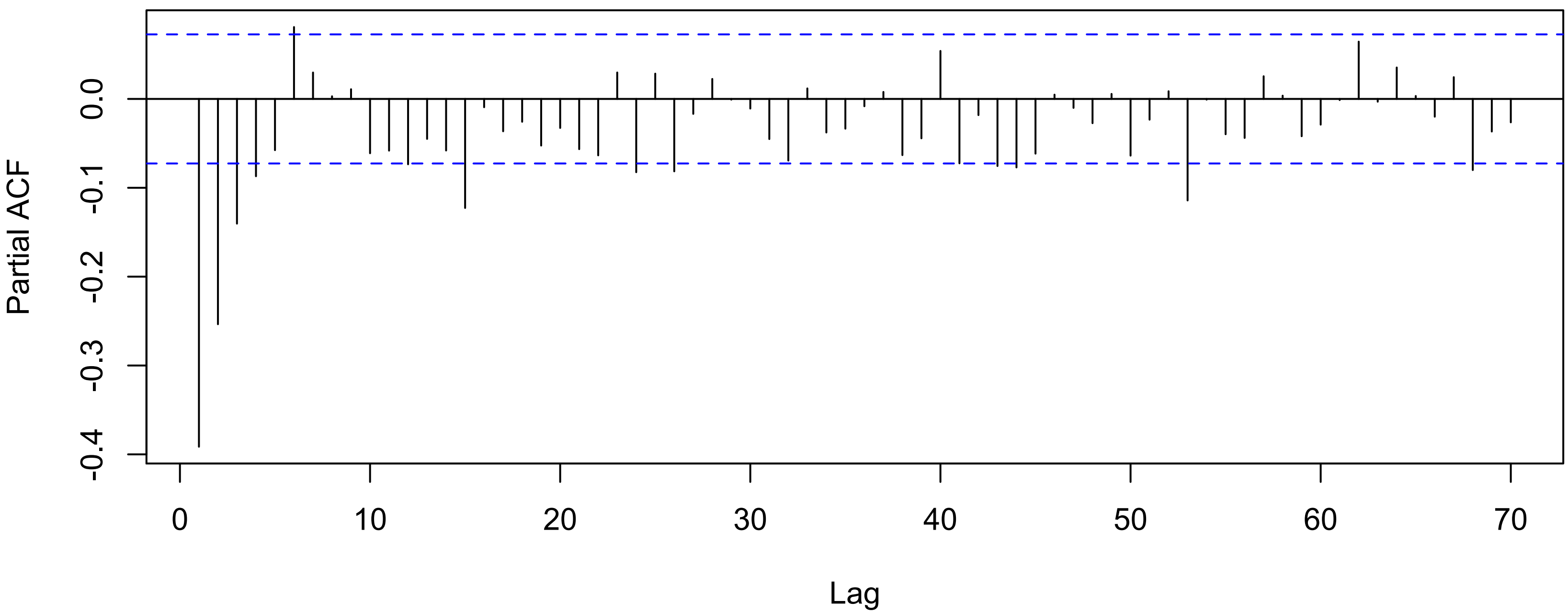

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Try ARIMA(0,1,1) model:

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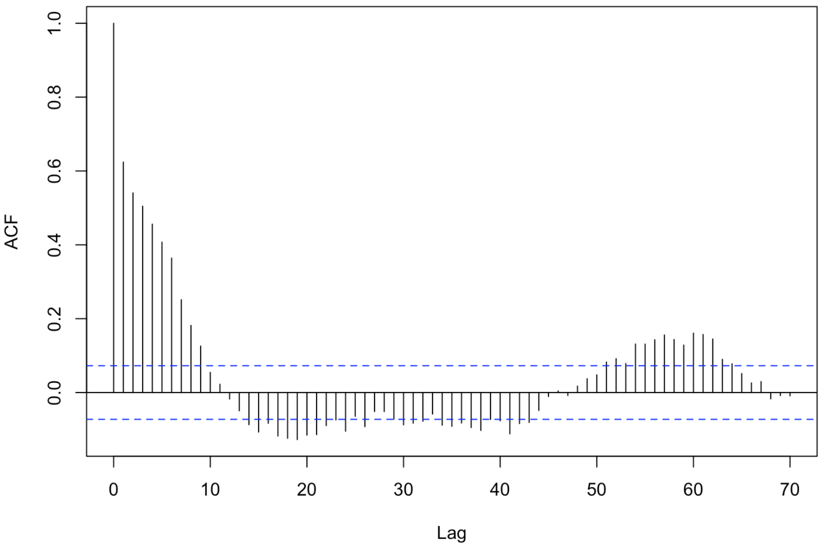

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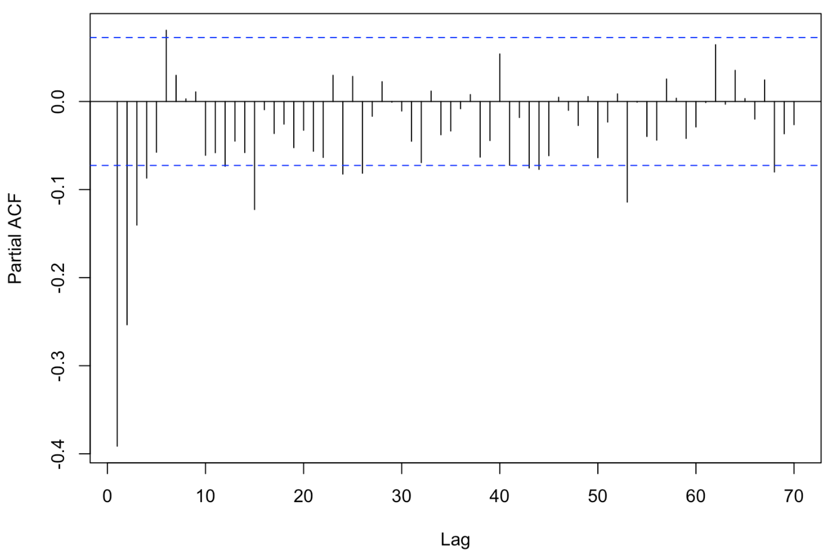

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