

# Advanced Time Series Analysis: Computer Exercise 2

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## Part 1

There has been simulated  $n = 3000$  samples of noise where  $\epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ .  $\epsilon_t$  is used as noise input for simulations in part one.

The equation below shows the used parameters in the selected system: a SETAR(2,1,1) model. The parameters for the two regimes are defined by eqn. 1 and eqn. 2.

$$a_0 = [0.125, -0.125] \quad (1)$$

$$a_1 = [0.6, -0.4] \quad (2)$$

### Simulation of the SETAR(2,1,1)

The SETAR(2,1,1) model is given by eqn. 3.

$$X_t = a_0^{(J_t)} + \sum_{i=1}^{k(J_t)} a_i^{(J_t)} X_{t-i} + \epsilon^{(J_t)} \quad (3)$$

where  $J_t$  are the regime processes. The complete model are defined in eqn. 4.

$$X_t = \begin{cases} a_{0,1} + a_{1,1}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{for } X_{t-1} \leq 0 \\ a_{0,2} + a_{1,2}X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{for } X_{t-1} > 0 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

A simulation of the model (eqn. 4) is showed in fig. 1.

### Estimate the parameters using conditional least squares

The following code snippet contain three functions: `Setar()`, `RSSSetar` and `PESetar` calculates the conditional means, the squared residuals and the total squared prediction error respectively.

```
# calculation of the conditional mean for the SETAR(2,1,1) model
Setar <- function(par, model) {
  # init conditional mean vector
  e_mean <- rep(NA, length(model))
  # loop through observations
  for (t in 2:length(model)) {
    if (model[t - 1] <= 0) {
      e_mean[t] <- par[1] + par[2] * model[t - 1]
    }
  }
}
```

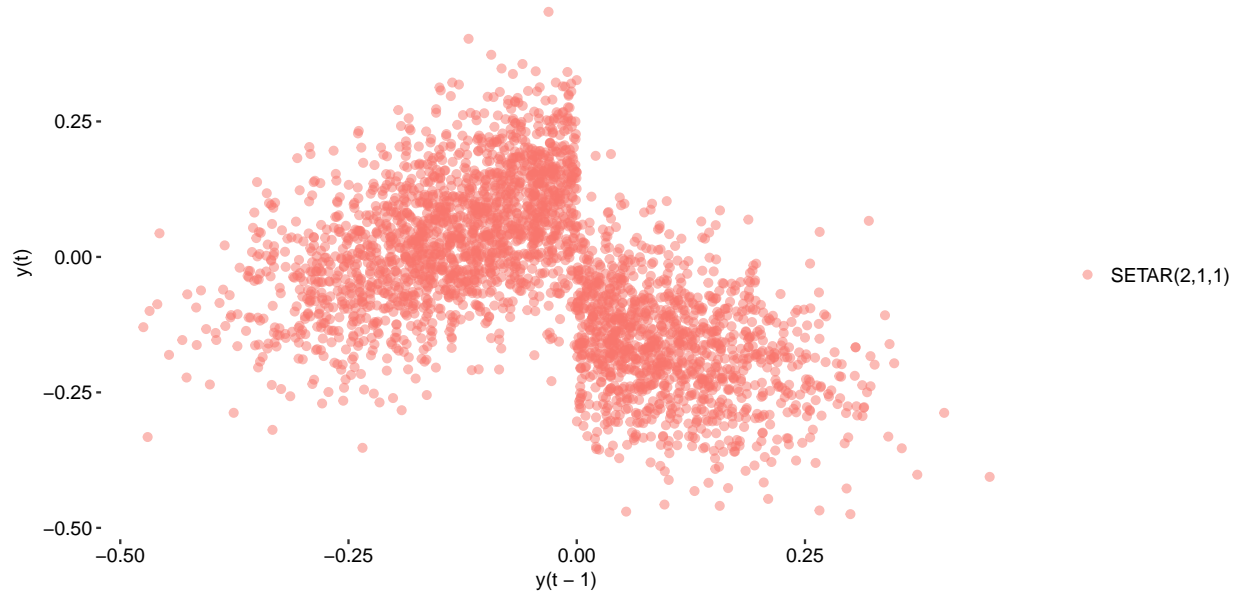


Figure 1: One simulation of a SETAR(2,1,1) model.

```

    } else {
      e_mean[t] <- par[3] + par[4] * model[t - 1]
    }
  }
  # return the conditional mean vector
  return(e_mean)
}

RSSSetar <- function(par, model) {
  # conditional mean
  e_mean <- Setar(par, model)
  # calculate and return the squared residuals
  return((model - e_mean)^2)
}

# summed prediction error
PESetar <- function(par, model) {
  # conditional mean
  e_mean <- Setar(par, model)
  # calculate and return the objective function value
  return(sum((model - e_mean)^2, na.rm = TRUE))
}

```

The native R function `optim()` has been applied to estimate the parameters of the simulated process. The objective cost function is the total squared prediction error, which needs to be minimized.

eqn. 5 and eqn. 6 have been used as initial parameter input to optimization function. The “initial” conditional mean is computed with the initial parameters (eqn. 5 and eqn. 6) and illustrated in fig. 2 with the label: `M(x) initial`.

Table 1: Table shows the real parameters, the estimated parameters and their percentage diviation.

Parameter	Real value	Optimized value	Change in (%)
a0_1	0.125	0.1267946	1.4153889
a1_1	0.600	0.6127632	2.0828869
a0_2	-0.125	-0.1239285	-0.8645787
a1_2	-0.400	-0.4062514	1.5388065

$$a_0 = [0.1, -0.02] \quad (5)$$

$$a_1 = [0.4, -0.25] \quad (6)$$

The estimated parameters are listed in table 1.

The percentage deviation from the real parameters are within  $\pm 2.0828869\%$ . The optimized squared prediction error (30.0575719) is smaller than the real squared error (30.0607994) which is a subject of overfitting. Dividing data into train and test with proper cross validation techniques can solve the issue of overfitting.

Fig. 2 illustrate the conditional means for the SETAR(2,1,1) model with initial parameters (eqn. 5 and eqn. 6), the real and estimated parameters (table 1).

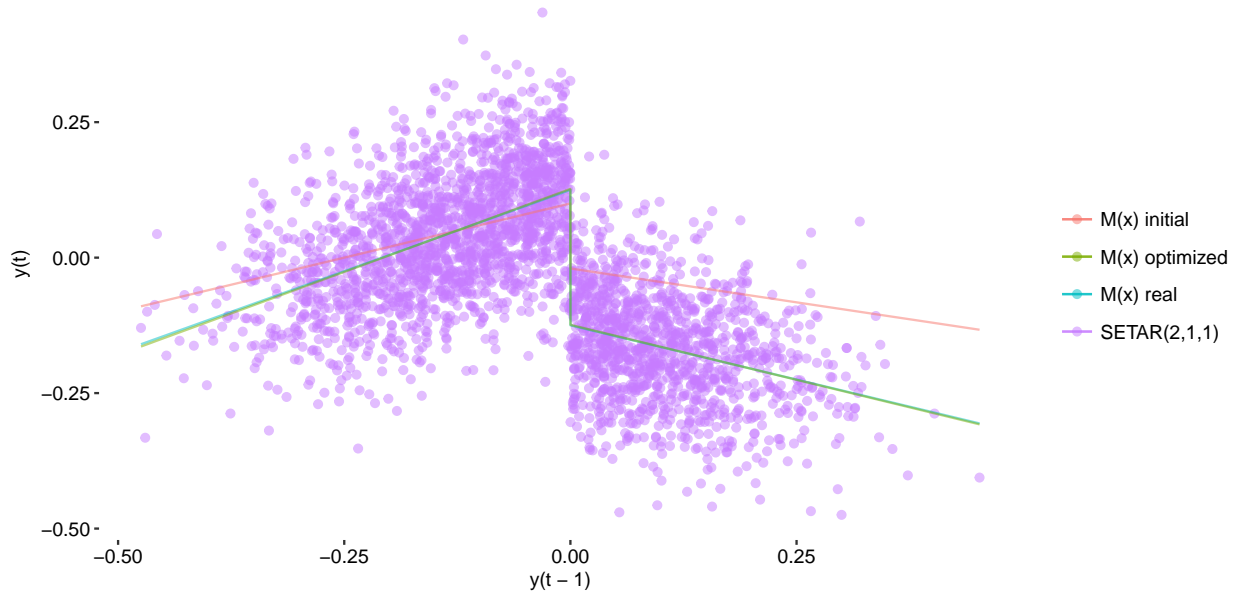


Figure 2: Simulations of a SETAR(2,1,1) model with the initial, real and optimized parameters. The vertical lines in the transition of the regimes does not exist.

The initial parameters are not a good representation of the simulated SETAR model, as illustrated in fig. 2 with the label **M(x) initial**. But after estimating the parameters s.t. a minimization of the squared prediction error, the estimated parameters is a reasonable representation of the SETAR model.

## Part 2

It has been chosen to create a grid based upon the two slope parameters, eqn. 2. The grid is based on a matrix with the size (51,51), where the center element, the intersection of the diagonal and off-diagonal, is the optimal parameter value, and is highlighted with a blue dot. There is also illustrated a red dot, which shows the optimal parameters for the given subset of the simulation. The first axis is  $a_{1,1}$  parameter and the second axis in the  $a_{1,2}$  parameter.

The the diviation of the parameter values are  $\pm 30\%$  (`max_change_p`) of the optimal value. The following function has been used to plot the contours for the different subsets: `plot_contours()`.

```
# only change the slope par[2] and par [4]
plot_contours <- function(model, par = optimal_PE$par, change_p = max_change_p,
  nplot = resolution) {
  # create sequence of nplot values with the optimized parameter(s) in center
  par_2_seq <- seq(par[2] - par[2] * change_p, par[2] + par[2] * change_p,
    len = nplot)
  par_4_seq <- seq(par[4] - par[4] * change_p, par[4] + par[4] * change_p,
    len = nplot)

  # loop the matrix and calculate the values
  loess <- outer(par_2_seq, par_4_seq, function(par_2, par_4) {
    L <- lapply(1:length(par_2), function(i) {
      return(PESetar(par = c(par[1], par_2[i], par[3], par_4[i]), model = model))
    })
    return(do.call("rbind", L))
  })

  # reshape in order to plot the contours
  loess_melt <- reshape2::melt(loess)
  loess_melt$Var1 <- par_2_seq[loess_melt$Var1]
  loess_melt$Var2 <- par_4_seq[loess_melt$Var2]

  #
  min_val <- loess_melt[which.min(loess_melt$value), ]

  # return contour plot
  return(ggplot(loess_melt, aes(x = Var1, y = Var2, z = value)) + stat_contour(geom = "contour",
    alpha = 1/2, binwidth = 0.005) + geom_point(aes(x = par[2], y = par[4],
    color = paste0("optim,\nval=", round(PESetar(par = par, model = model),
      digits = 4))), alpha = 1/2) + geom_point(aes(x = min_val$Var1, y = min_val$Var2,
    color = paste0("best subset,\nval=", round(min_val$value, digits = 4))),
    alpha = 1/2) + labs(x = "a_1,1", y = "a_1,2", color = "par_i") + theme_TS())
}
```

The contour plots illustatres the objective function (total squared prediction error) with changes in each changeable parameter. The objective function is convex which means there is only one local/global minima.

**N = 1:3000**

Figure 3 shows the contour plot for the complete simulated model. The optimal parameters gives the global minima of the objective function, and the two dots are identical as illustared.

The  $a_{1,1}$  paramter will result in a higher objective function with equally changes in both parameter.

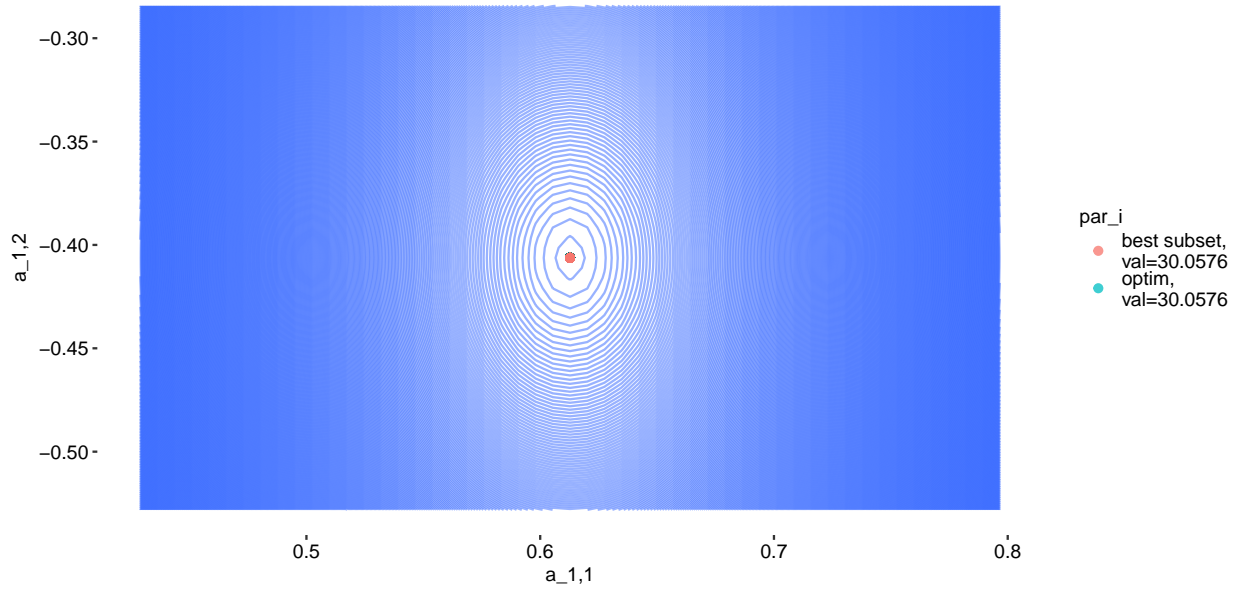


Figure 3: Contour plot the slope parameters for  $N = 1:3000$ .

**$N = 1:300$**

Figure 4 shows the contour plot with only  $N = 1 : 300$  samples of the simulated model considered. The number of samples are decreased with a factor of 100 similar to the objective function.

The optimal parameters does not represent the minimum value of the of the objective function. There is a clear separation of the two dots and the their values are different, see labels in fig. 4.

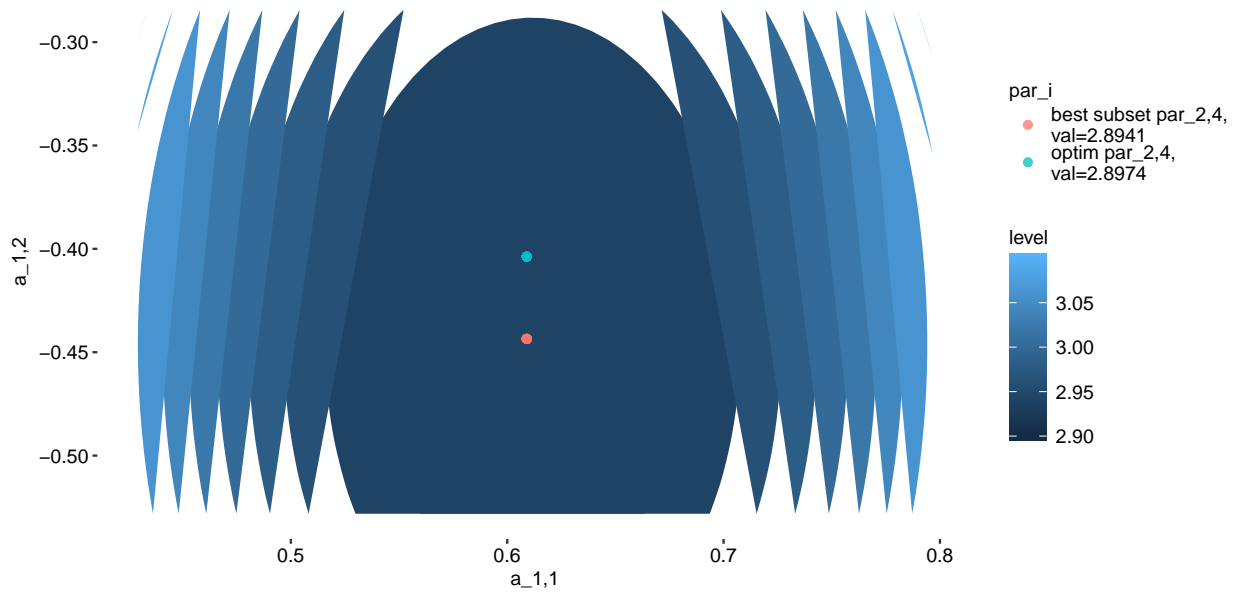


Figure 4: Contour plot the slope parameters for  $N = 1:300$ .

**N = 1:30**

Figure 5 shows a contour plot of the first 30 samples. It is possible to see that the best set of parameter, in the given subset, is not within  $\pm 2.0828869\%$  of the optimized parameters. In contrast to fig. 5 there red dot is placed on the boundary of the grid which indicates that the global minimum is not obtained.

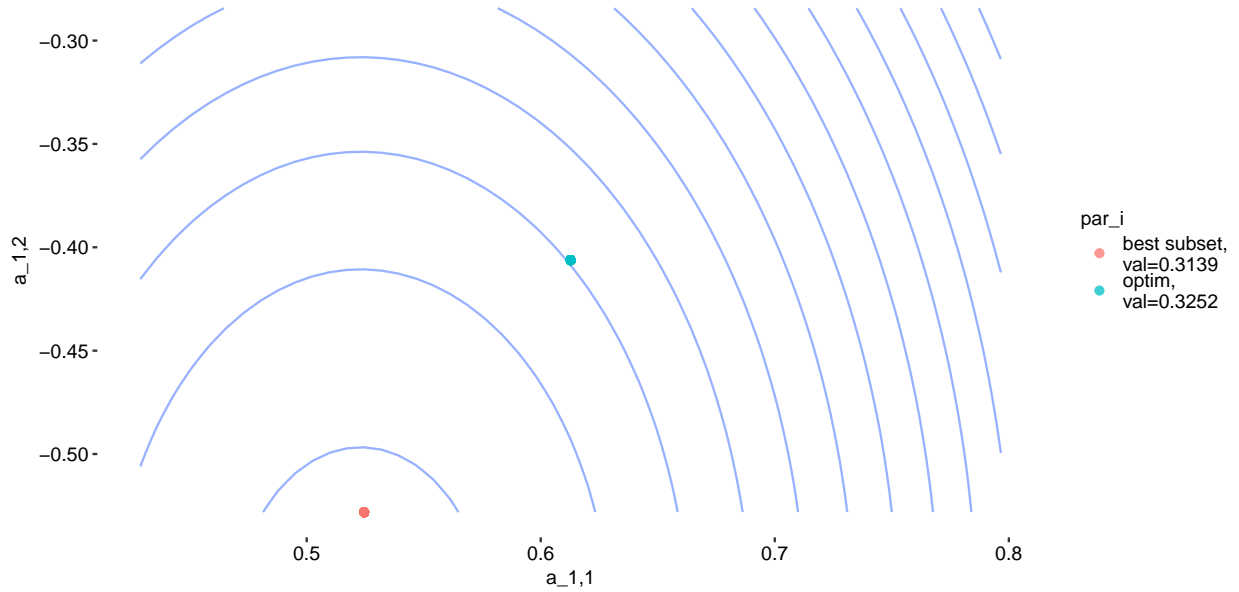


Figure 5: Contour plot the slope parameters for N = 1:30.

**N = 1001:1300**

Figure 6

**N = 1001:1030**

Figure 7

### Discuss my findings

The overall optimal parameter is best when selecting every observations...  
smaller subset smaller total prediction error.

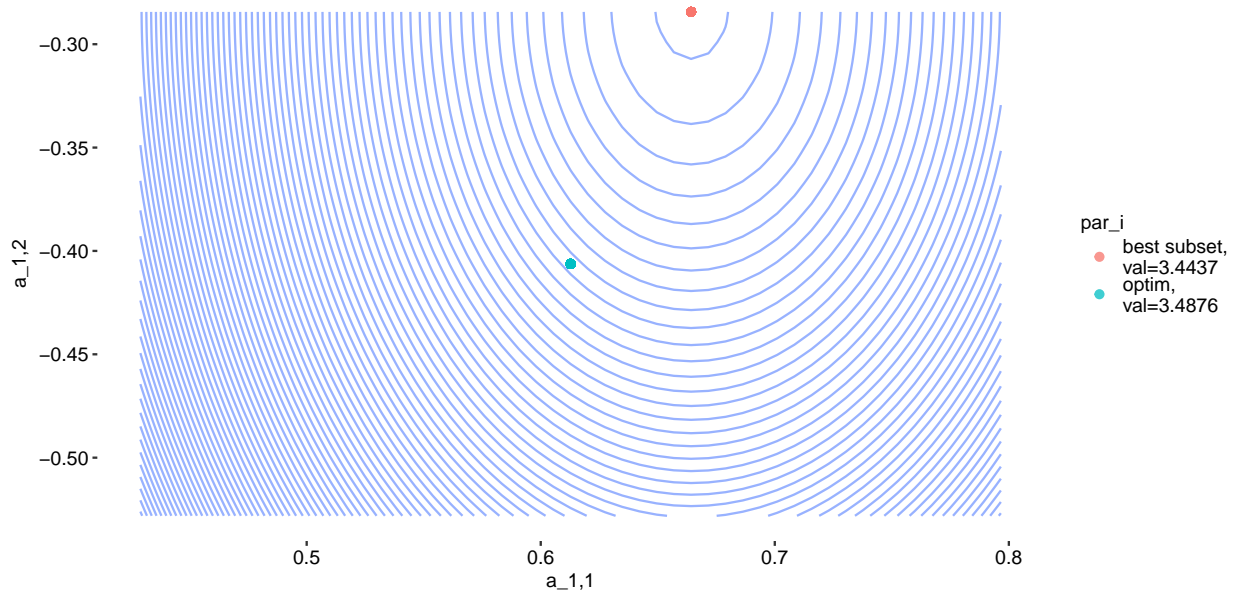


Figure 6: Contour plot the slope parameters for  $N = 1001:1300$ .

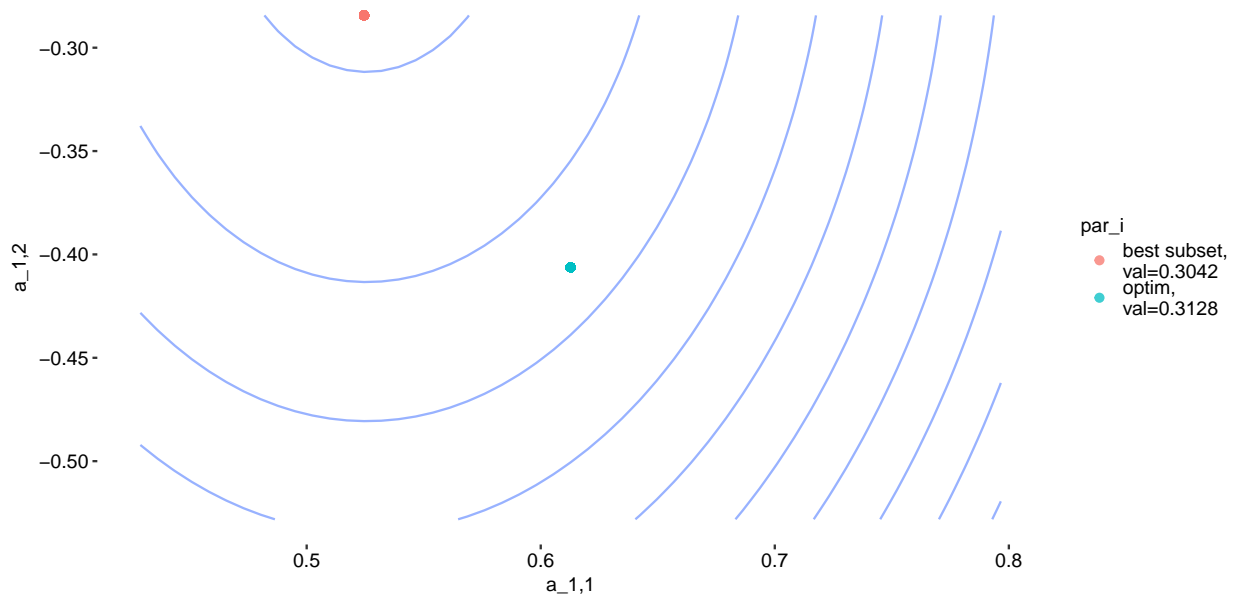


Figure 7: Contour plot the slope parameters for  $N = 1001:1030$ .

### Part 3

AUTO regression outside/greater one -> keep growing

I will consider the following AR(2)-AR(4) non-linear doubly stochastic model, eqn. 7.

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t &= \sum_{k=1}^2 (\Phi_{t-(1-k)} Y_{t-k}) + \epsilon_t \\
\Phi_t - \mu &= \sum_{n=1}^4 (\phi_n (\Phi_{t-n} - \mu)) + \zeta_t \\
\Phi_t &= \sum_{n=1}^4 (\phi_n (\Phi_{t-n} - \mu)) + \zeta_t + \underbrace{\mu \left( 1 - \sum_{n=1}^4 (\phi_n) \right)}_{\delta}
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

state space

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{pmatrix} \Phi_t \\ \Phi_{t-1} \\ \Phi_{t-2} \\ \Phi_{t-3} \\ \delta_t \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \phi_3 & \phi_4 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{t-1} \\ \Phi_{t-2} \\ \Phi_{t-3} \\ \Phi_{t-4} \\ \delta_{t-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \delta_t \\
Y_t &= (Y_{t-1} \quad Y_{t-1} \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0) \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_t \\ \Phi_{t-1} \\ \Phi_{t-2} \\ \Phi_{t-3} \\ \delta_t \end{pmatrix} + e_t
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

delta som state i stedet for constant -> estimate

Tænk hvor havd der sker i den underlæggende proces ?

hvordan er stationary conditions?

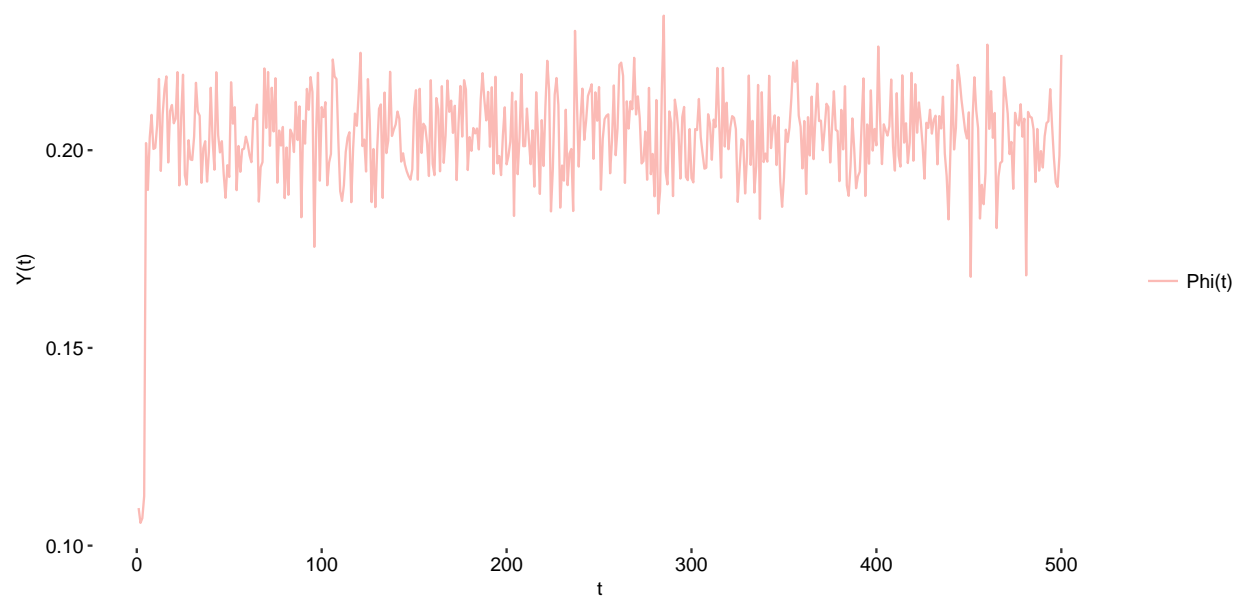
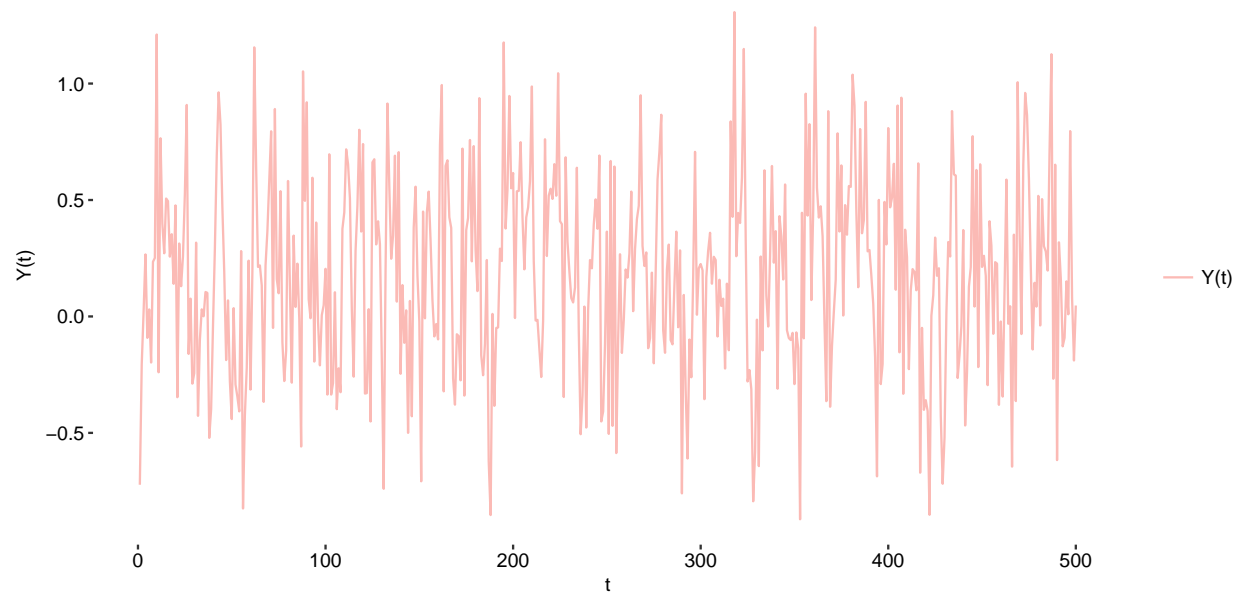
Fordele ved at se delta som et state..

Tjek for stabilitet

**Simulate**

## [1] 9.655771e-05





**Comment**

## Part 4

Following simple state space model is given, eqn. 9.

$$x_{t+1} = ax_t + v_t y_t = x_t + e_t \quad (9)$$

where  $a$  is an unknown parameter and  $v_t$  and  $e_t$  are mutually uncorrelated white noise processes with their variances  $\sigma_v^2$  and  $\sigma_e^2$ .

### Part 4a

The model from eqn. 9 is on state space form in eqn. 10

$$\begin{aligned} x_{t+1} &= ax_t + v_t \\ y_t &= x_t + e_t \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

### Simulate

Simulate X time series where  $a = 0.4$ ,  $\sigma_v^2 = \sigma_e^2 = 1$  with zero mean

### Rewrite

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x_{t+1} \\ a_{t+1} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} a_t & 0 \\ 0 & a_t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ y_t &= (1 \quad 0) \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + e_t \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

### Part 4b

```
##-----  
## EKF algorithm for use in Part 4 of computer exercise 2 in Advanced Time  
## Series Analysis  
##-----  
  
ext_kalman <- function(y, aInit = 0.5, aVarInit = 1, sigma.v = 1) {  
  ## aInit : The starting guess of the AR coefficient estimate aVarInit : The  
  ## initial variance for estimation of the AR coefficient sigma.v : Standard  
  ## deviation of the system noise of x in the filter  
  
  # Initialize---- Init the state vector estimate  
  zt <- c(0, aInit)  
  # Init the variance matrices  
  Rv <- matrix(c(sigma.v^2, 0, 0, 0), ncol = 2)  
  # sigma.e : Standard deviation of the measurement noise in the filter  
  Re <- 1  
  
  # Init the P matrix, that is the estimate of the state variance  
  Pt <- matrix(c(Re, 0, 0, aVarInit), nrow = 2, ncol = 2)  
  # The state is [X a] so the differentiated observation function is  
  Ht <- t(c(1, 0))
```

```

# Init a vector for keeping the parameter a variance estimates
aVar <- rep(NA, length(y))
# and keeping the states
Z <- matrix(NA, nrow = length(y), ncol = 2)
Z[1, ] <- zt

## The Kalman filtering----
for (t in 1:(length(y) - 1)) {
  # Derivatives (Jacobians)
  Ft <- matrix(c(zt[2], 0, zt[1], 1), ncol = 2) # F_t-1
  # Ht does not change

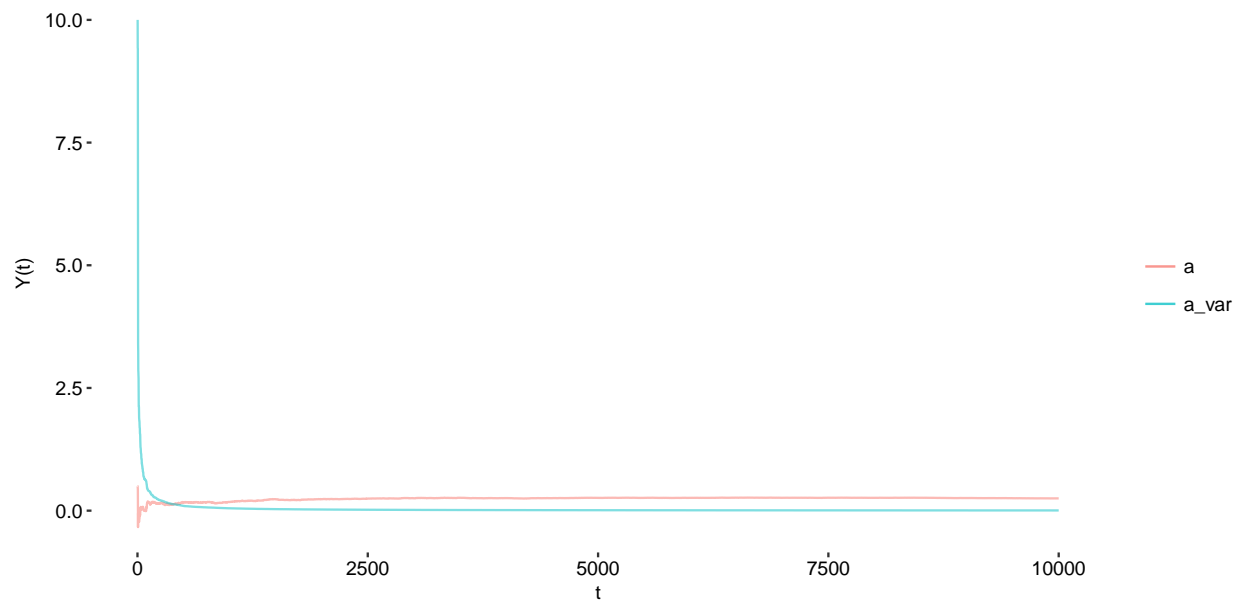
  ## Prediction step
  zt = c(zt[2] * zt[1], zt[2]) #z_t/t-1 f(z_t-1/t-1)
  Pt = Ft %*% Pt %*% t(Ft) + Rv #P_t/t-1

  ## Update step
  res = y[t] - zt[1] # the residual at time t
  St = Ht %*% Pt %*% t(Ht) + Re # innovation covariance
  Kt = Pt %*% t(Ht) %*% St^-1 # Kalman gain
  zt = zt + Kt * res # z_t/t
  Pt = (diag(2) - Kt %*% Ht) %*% Pt #P_t/t

  ## Keep the state estimate
  Z[t + 1, ] <- zt
  ## Keep the P[2,2], which is the variance of the estimate of a
  aVar[t + 1] <- Pt[2, 2]
}
return(list(zt = zt, Pt = Pt, Rv = Rv, aVar = aVar, Z = Z))
}

```

Check for converges in worst case



**a = 0.5**

state	sigma_v^2	sigma_a	a mean	a sd	a_var mean	a_var sd
1	10	1	0.2227370	0.0204999	0.0152562	0.0004328
2	1	1	0.3955557	0.0292888	0.0008427	0.0000681
3	10	10	0.2188578	0.0208357	0.0154694	0.0004450
4	1	10	0.3955225	0.0292323	0.0008432	0.0000693

**a = -0.5**

state	sigma_v^2	sigma_a	a mean	a sd	a_var mean	a_var sd
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3	10	10	0.2188578	0.0208357	0.0154694	0.0004450
4	1	10	0.3955225	0.0292323	0.0008432	0.0000693

hvordan påvirker størrelsen ad sigma\_v2 og hvordan påvirkes  
variance of the system?

### Improvements

do regulizing of the sigma vector.. add some to the diagonal