# Lab3

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#### Lab 3

#### Part 1 - Modeling House Values

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

An examination of the provided data set reveals 11 variables of which with Water is binary and rest are continuous. There are no NA's in the data set, however the distance To Highway variable appears to have a coding issue. We'll examine this variable in more detail a bit later, but first we summarize the variables in the following table.

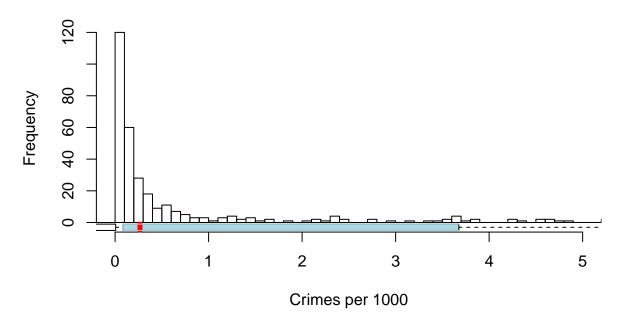
Table 1: Summary of Data

| Statistic         | N   | Mean        | St. Dev.    | Min     | Max       |
|-------------------|-----|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| crimeRate_pc      | 400 | 3.763       | 8.872       | 0.006   | 88.976    |
| nonRetailBusiness | 400 | 0.112       | 0.070       | 0.007   | 0.277     |
| withWater         | 400 | 0.068       | 0.251       | 0       | 1         |
| ageHouse          | 400 | 68.932      | 27.977      | 2.900   | 100.000   |
| distanceToCity    | 400 | 9.638       | 8.786       | 1.228   | 54.197    |
| distanceToHighway | 400 | 9.582       | 8.672       | 1       | 24        |
| pupilTeacherRatio | 400 | 21.391      | 2.168       | 15.600  | 25.000    |
| pctLowIncome      | 400 | 15.795      | 9.341       | 2       | 49        |
| homeValue         | 400 | 499,584.400 | 196,115.700 | 112,500 | 1,125,000 |
| pollutionIndex    | 400 | 40.615      | 11.825      | 23.500  | 72.100    |
| nBedRooms         | 400 | 4.266       | 0.719       | 1.561   | 6.780     |

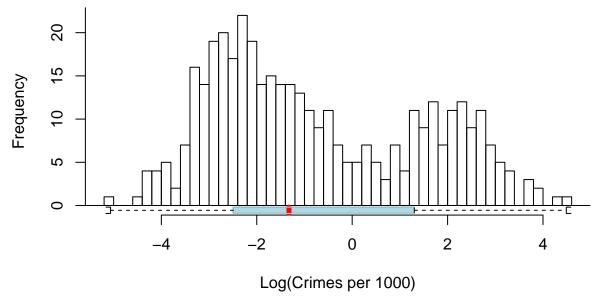
For the purposes of this analysis we categorize the variables  $crimeRate\_pc$ , nonRetailBusiness, withWater, distanceToCity, distanceToHighway, pollutionIndex, pupilTeacherRation and pctLowHousing to be environmental variables. The variables ageHouse and nBedRooms are attributes of the house. The variable homeValue is the dependent variable we would like to explain in terms of primarily the environment variables but we will compare to explanations in terms of house attributes as well.

In the next several pages we examine the distribution of each of the variables and, where indicated, the distribution of the log(variable) as well.

# **Histogram of Crime Rate per Capita**

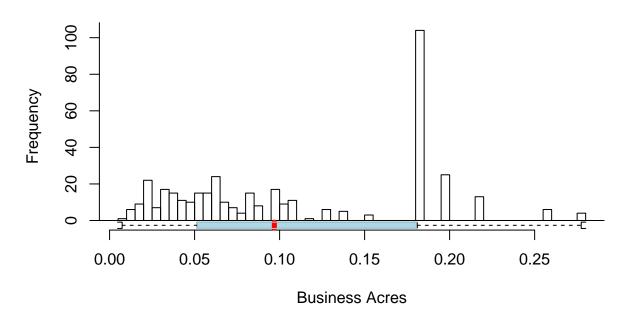


# Histogram of Log Crime Rate per Capita

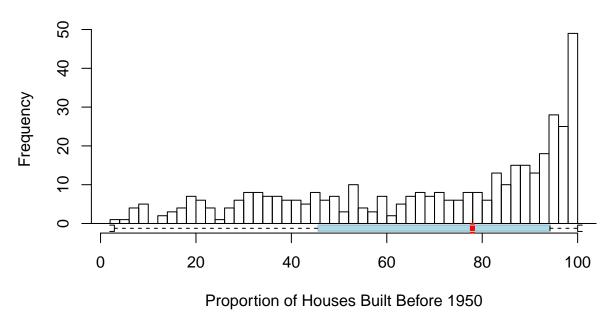


The distribution of <code>crimeRate\_pc</code> is highly right-skewed with a very long tail. This makes sense as most neighborhoods are very low crime neighborhoods. The distribution of <code>log(crimeRate\_pc)</code> appears almost bi-modal; however the analysis of skew and kurtosis show a significant improvement of each with a log transformation.

#### Frequency of Non-retail Business Acres



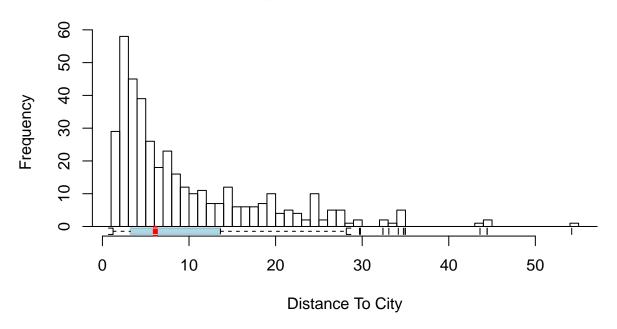
# **Histogram of Proportion of Houses Built Before 1950**



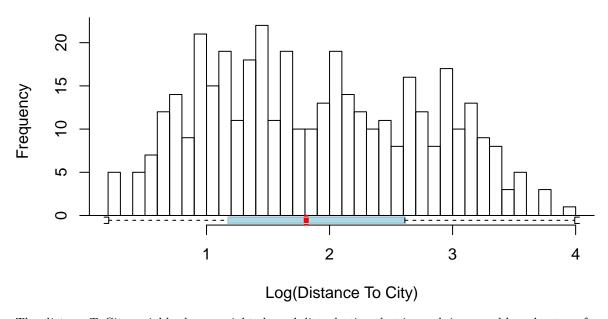
The variable nonRetailBusiness is a measure of the footprint of industy in a neaghborhood. This may range from light industrial to manufacturing but that information is not given. The distribution of nonRetailBusiness shows a spike at 0.18 business-acres but is otherwise somewhat uniform. There was no transform that improved skew or kurtosis for this variable.

The variable *ageHouse* is the percentage of houses in a neighborhood built before 1950 and shows a significant left-skew with a long tail to the left. However no transformation was found that normalized the skew and kurtosis of this variable.

# **Histogram of Distance to City**

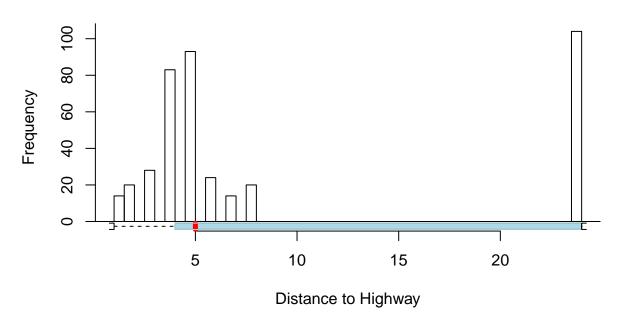


# Histogram of Log(Distance to City)

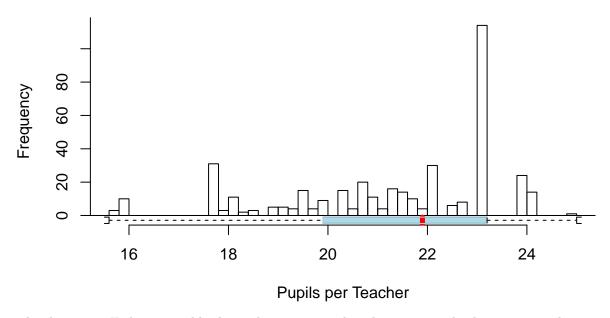


The distance To City variable shows a right-skewed distribution that is much improved by a log transformation.

# **Distance To Highway**



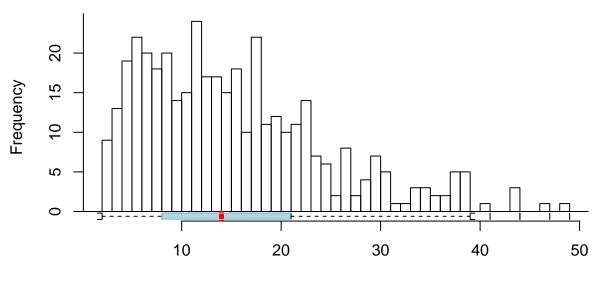
# Frequency of Pupil to Teacher Ratio



The distance To Highway variable shows the concern with coding error in this histogram as there is a large occurance of the value 24. About 25% of the dataset have this value, some of which may be correct but it seems unlikely that the distance To Highway variable would be much greater than the distance To City variable.

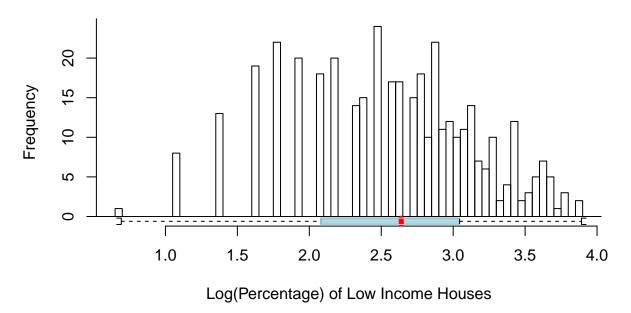
The *pupilTeacherRatio* variable shows a roughly uniform distribution except for a large number of occurances of the value 23, which must be a more common classroom size.

# **Frequency of Low Income Housing**



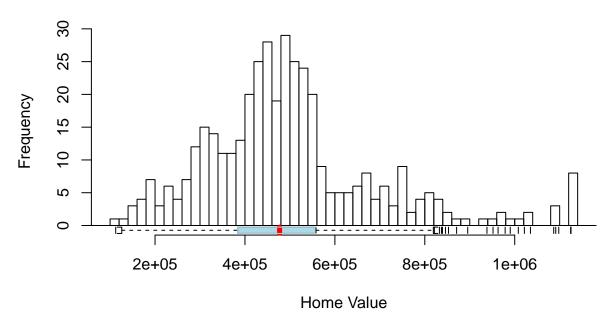
Percentage of Low Income Houses

# Frequency of Log(% Low Income Housing)

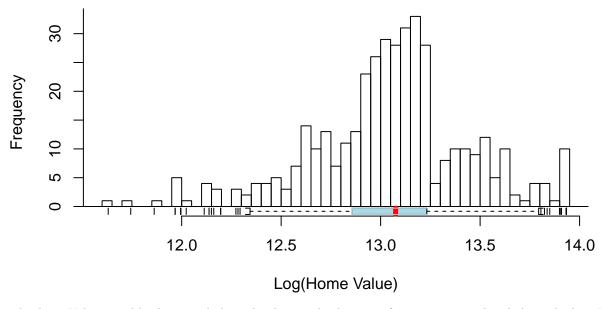


The *pctLowIncome* variable has a right-skewed distribution that tapers off to the right relatively quickly. A log transformation greatly improves the skew and kurtosis of the distribution.

# **Histogram of Home Values per Neighborhood**

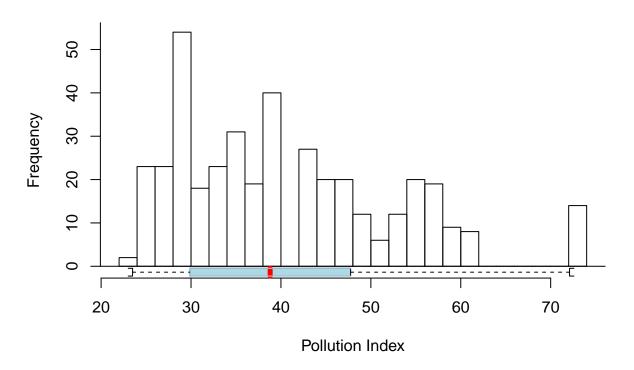


# Histogram of Log(Home Values) per Neighborhood

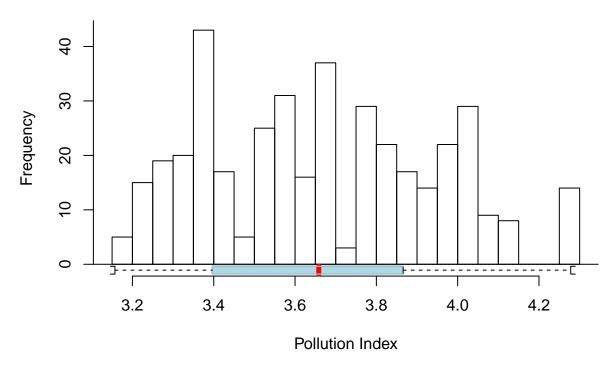


The *homeValue* variable shows a slight right-skew and a log transformation is used to help with this. It also allows discussion in terms of percentage change of home value when controlling for other variables.

# **Distribution of Pollution Index Across Neighborhoods**

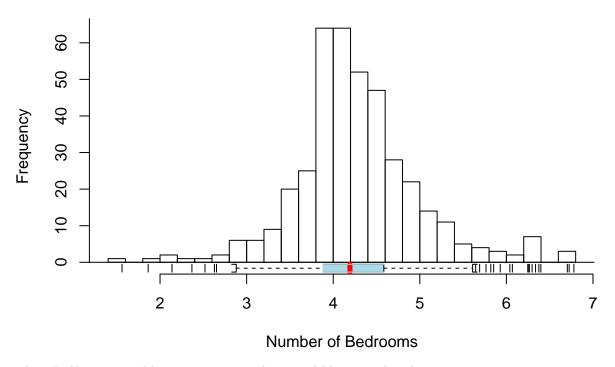


# **Distribution of Pollution Index Across Neighborhoods**



The *pollutionIndex* variable shows a right-skewed distribution upon which we perform a log transform.

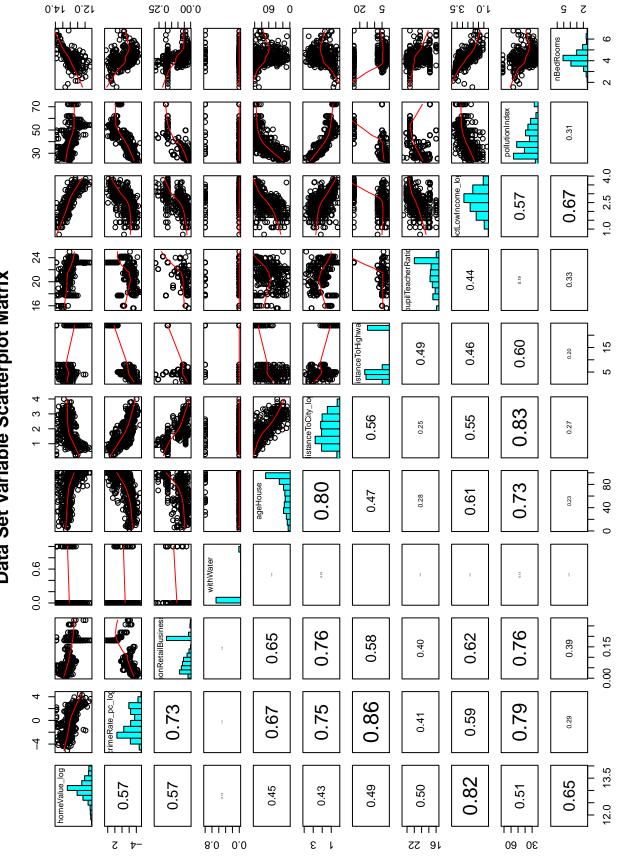
# **Distribution of Number of Bedrooms**



The nBedRooms variable appears a mazingly normal-like in its distribution.

The next page brings all the variables into a single matrix for comparison and to get a first look at correlations to explore further.

Data Set Variable Scatterplot Matrix



#### DistanceToHighway Variable Detailed Examination

We saw previously that the distance To Highway variable looked suspicious so in this section we look at how to address a possible coding issue. The number of rows in the dataset that have the distance To Highway variable as 24 is 25% of the dataset. Removing these rows would remove a significant amount of data, reducing N=400 to N=296. We examine two strategies and compare them to the row-removal option: replacing values of 24 with the mean of the filtered values or with the value of distance To City.

The following two tables compare the summaries of the filtered dataset with the summaries of the dataset with transformed values. Comparing the <code>distanceToHighway\_meanMod</code> and <code>distanceToHighway\_cityMod</code> shows that the latter is much closer to the values of the filtered dataset. This indicates that replacing the value of 24 with the value of <code>distanceToCity</code> is a reasonable transformation to deal with the coding issue. The idea is further substantiated by the proposition that the distance to a city is usually not greater than the distance to a highway as cities are generally located on highways.

The following page shows a set of comparison histograms for the distance To Highway variable with the different transformations. A histogram of distance To City is included as a reference.

#### **Distance To Highway**

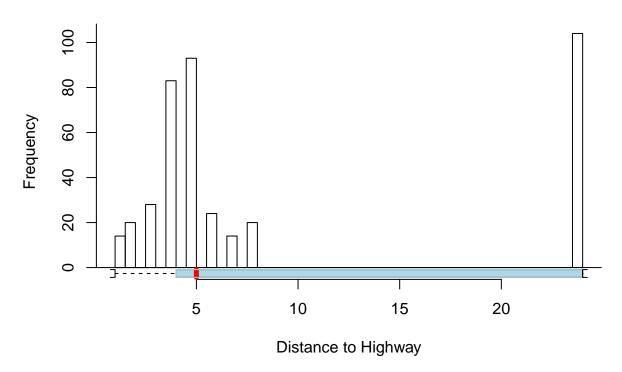


Table 2: Filtered Dataset

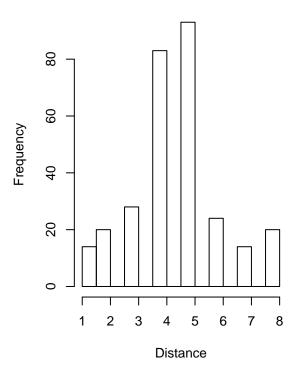
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|--------------------|-----|-------------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| crimeRate_pc       | 296 | 0.381       | 0.610       | 0.006   | 3.535     |
| nonRetailBusiness  | 296 | 0.087       | 0.065       | 0.007   | 0.277     |
| withWater          | 296 | 0.068       | 0.251       | 0       | 1         |
| ageHouse           | 296 | 61.367      | 28.205      | 2.900   | 100.000   |
| distanceToCity     | 296 | 11.877      | 9.178       | 1.562   | 54.197    |
| distanceToHighway  | 296 | 4.517       | 1.636       | 1       | 8         |
| pupilTeacherRatio  | 296 | 20.756      | 2.191       | 15.600  | 25.000    |
| pctLowIncome       | 296 | 13.037      | 7.690       | 2       | 44        |
| homeValue          | 296 | 547,487.300 | 178,890.300 | 157,500 | 1,125,000 |
| pollutionIndex     | 296 | 36.438      | 10.450      | 23.500  | 72.100    |
| nBedRooms          | 296 | 4.356       | 0.676       | 2.903   | 6.725     |
| crimeRate_pc_log   | 296 | -1.840      | 1.297       | -5.064  | 1.263     |
| distanceToCity_log | 296 | 2.175       | 0.802       | 0.446   | 3.993     |
| pctLowIncome_log   | 296 | 2.403       | 0.587       | 0.693   | 3.784     |
| ageHouse_log       | 296 | 3.959       | 0.643       | 1.065   | 4.605     |
| homeValue_log      | 296 | 13.165      | 0.306       | 11.967  | 13.933    |
| pollutionIndex_log | 296 | 3.562       | 0.250       | 3.157   | 4.278     |

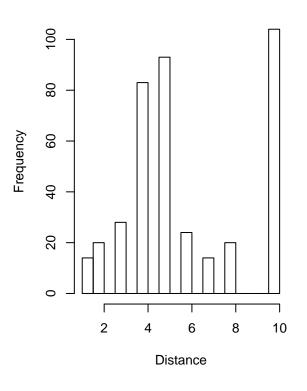
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| $crimeRate\_pc\_log$   | 400 | -0.763      | 2.164       | -5.064  | 4.488     |
| distanceToCity_log   | 400 | 1.892       | 0.868       | 0.205   | 3.993     |
| pctLowIncome_log   | 400 | 2.577       | 0.631       | 0.693   | 3.892     |
| ageHouse_log   | 400 | 4.099       | 0.605       | 1.065   | 4.605     |
| homeValue_log  | 400 | 13.046      | 0.397       | 11.631  | 13.933    |
| pollutionIndex_log   | 400 | 3.664       | 0.282       | 3.157   | 4.278     |
| distanceToHighway_modMean  | 400 | 5.834       | 2.632       | 1.000   | 9.582     |
| $\underline{\text{distanceToHighway}}\underline{\text{modCity}}$ | 400 | 4.192       | 1.698       | 1.000   | 9.159     |

# **Distance To Highway - Filtered**

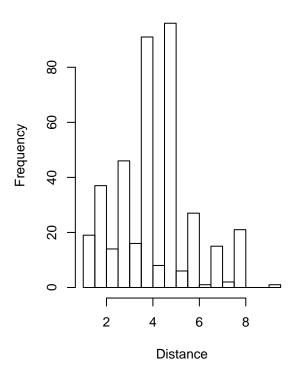
## **Distance To Highway – Mean Xform**

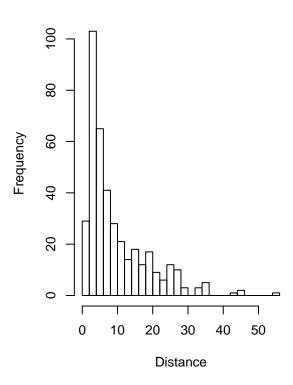




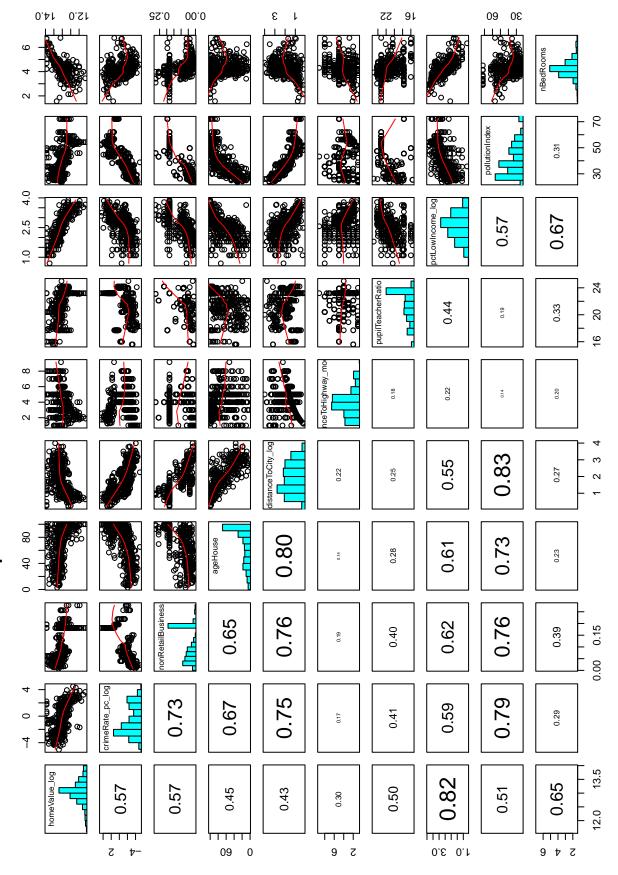
# **Distance To Highway - City Xform**

**Histogram of Distance to City** 



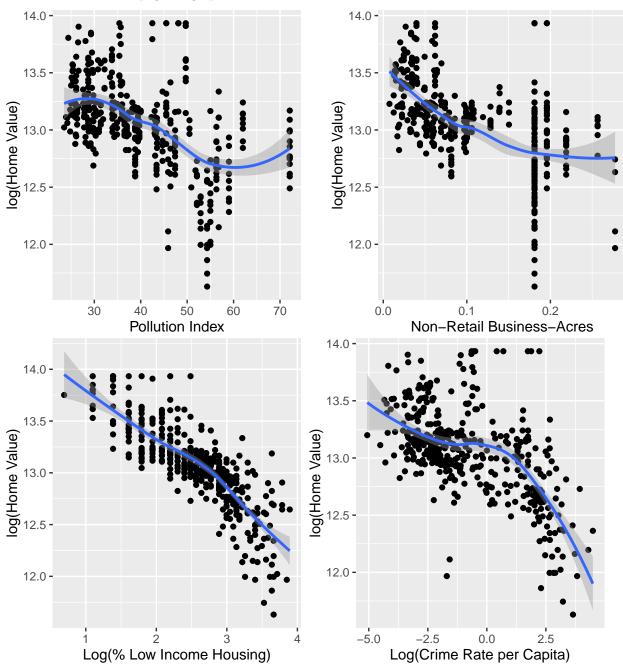


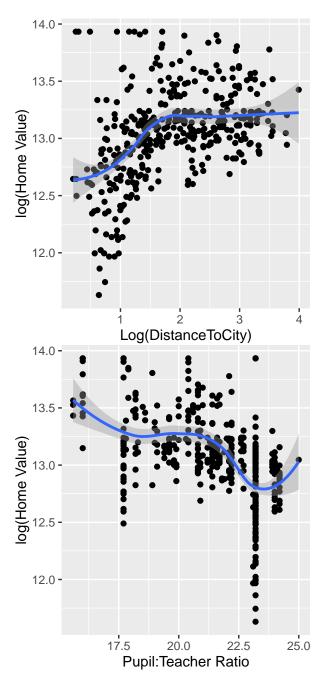
# Scatterplot Matrix of Transformed Variables

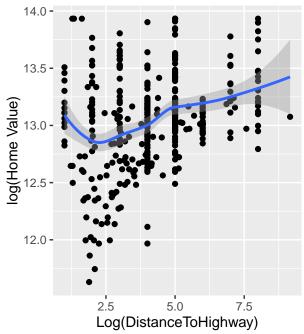


#### Multivariate Data Analysis

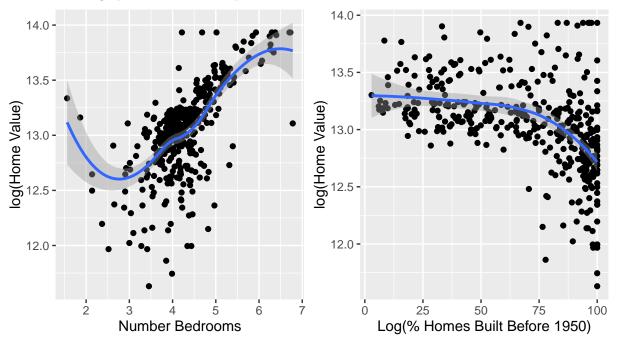
First we will examine the relationships of the environment variables on home values graphically. We can see that there are definitely relationships between most of the environmental variables and home values, as shown on the next two pages of graphs.







These final two graphs show relationships between home attributes and home values.



#### Models Incorporating Environment Variables

Put something here about all the different models that were tried.

Include models with interaction terms

Discuss omitted variables and how they bias the models

What hypotheses can we test?

Choose the best model(s) and explain the parameters for them.

Table 4: Regression Model Comparison

|                         |                          | $D\epsilon$              | ependent varia           | ble:                     |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                         |                          | lo                       | g(Home Value             | es)                      |                          |
|                         | (1)                      | (2)                      | (3)                      | (4)                      | (5)                      |
| log(Low Income Housing) | $-0.518^{***}$ $(0.018)$ | $-0.469^{***}$ $(0.022)$ | $-0.474^{***}$ $(0.022)$ | $-0.461^{***}$ (0.022)   | $-0.448^{***}$ $(0.022)$ |
| log(Crime Rate)         |                          | $-0.024^{***}$ $(0.006)$ | $-0.030^{***}$ $(0.009)$ | $-0.026^{***}$ $(0.006)$ | $-0.024^{***}$ $(0.006)$ |
| Pollution Index         |                          |                          | $0.002 \\ (0.002)$       |                          |                          |
| Close To Water          |                          |                          |                          |                          | $0.027^{***}$ $(0.007)$  |
| Distance To Highway     |                          |                          |                          | 0.144***<br>(0.044)      | 0.137***<br>(0.043)      |
| Constant                | 14.380***<br>(0.048)     | 14.238***<br>(0.061)     | 14.181***<br>(0.082)     | 14.205***<br>(0.061)     | 14.060***<br>(0.069)     |
| Observations            | 400                      | 400                      | 400                      | 400                      | 400                      |
| $\mathbb{R}^2$          | 0.677                    | 0.688                    | 0.689                    | 0.696                    | 0.709                    |
| Adjusted $R^2$          | 0.676                    | 0.686                    | 0.686                    | 0.694                    | 0.706                    |
| Residual Std. Error     | 0.226                    | 0.222                    | 0.222                    | 0.220                    | 0.215                    |
| F Statistic             | 834.337***               | 437.399***               | 291.964***               | 302.291***               | 240.388***               |

Note:

\*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01

# Part 2 - Modeling and Forecasting a Real-World Macroeconomic Financial Time Series

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

In order to better understand the time series and analyze the possible underlying processes we must first observe and explore the time series. A summary of the time series is:

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Table 5: DXCM Series Descriptive Statistics

| Statistic   | N     | Mean | St. Dev. | Min | Max   |
|-------------|-------|------|----------|-----|-------|
| DXCM Series | 2,332 | 23.2 | 23.4     | 1.4 | 101.9 |

The first set of plots reveals:

- The series is non-stationary; it has a persistent upward trend, interrupted by shocks;
- There are shocks at approximately time periods 500, 1200, 1800 and 2200;
- There appears to be seasonality in the series;
- The autocorrelation shows a very slight decay over the entire correlagram;
- The partial autocorrelation shows barely significant results at lags 14 and 32;
- We do not know the frequency of the time series;
- The series is of closing prices of DXCM

To remove the trend from the series we take the first difference and replot to check the results.

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Table 6: Differenced Series Descriptive Statistics

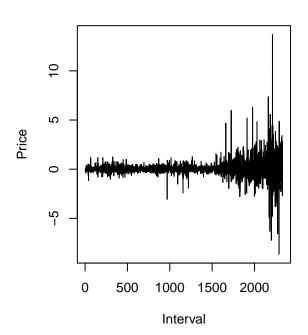
| Statistic               | N     | Mean | St. Dev. | Min  | Max  |
|-------------------------|-------|------|----------|------|------|
| DXCM Differenced Series | 2,331 | 0.02 | 0.9      | -8.6 | 13.7 |

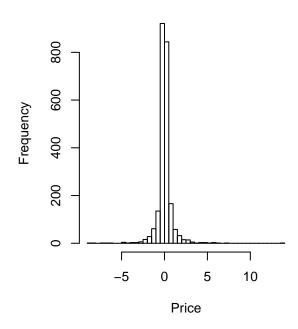
In the differenced series we observe:

- The first difference series has a more or less white noise appearance until approximately time interval 1600 where the volatility of the series increases dramatically. This corresponds to the sudden, persistent upward trend in the original series.
- The autocorrelation shows marginally significant results at lags 13, 15, 16, 24, 31
- The partial autocorrelation shows a cyclic behavior that doesn't appear to decline, with significant results at lags 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 24, 25, 31

#### **First Difference**

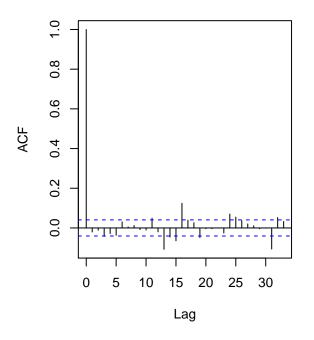
# **Histogram of First Difference**

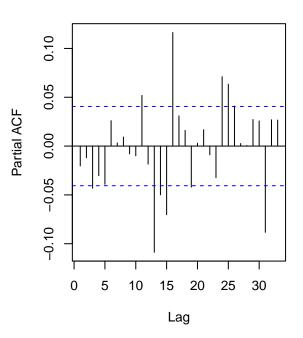




#### **Autocorrelation of First Difference**

#### Partial Autocorrelation of First Differen



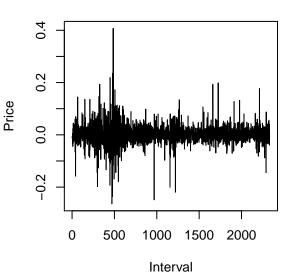


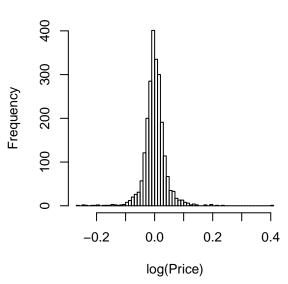
We also examine the first difference of the log of the series and replot to check results. In the differenced log series we observe:

- The volatility appears to be reversed such that it is around interval 300-500, and overall the volatility of the differenced log series is higher.
- The ACF shows only a small results at lag 15 and 20.
- The PACF shows a cyclic behavior with significant results at lags 9, 15, 20

# First Differenced Log-Series

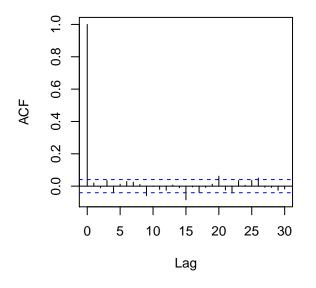
#### Histogram of First Differenced Log

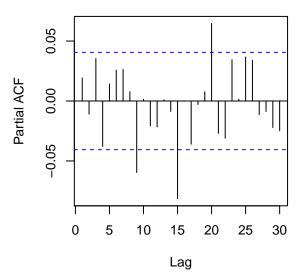




#### **ACF of First Differenced Log-Series**

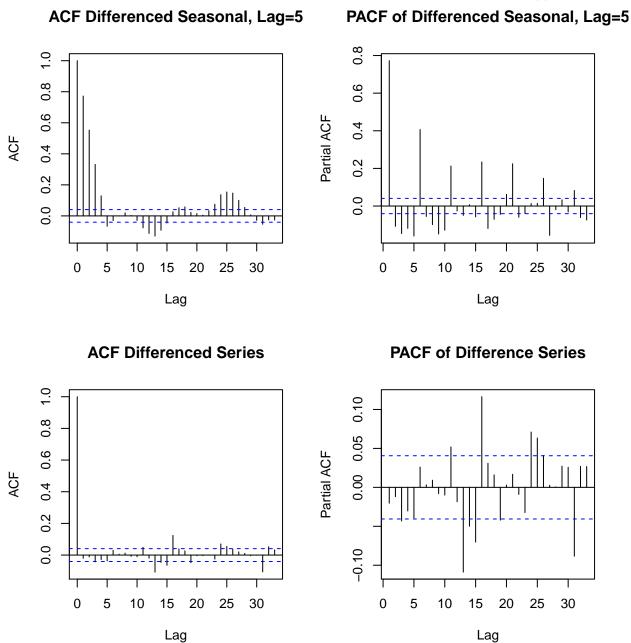
#### **PACF of First Differenced Log-Series**





The seasonality of the series is not strong in the ACF of the differenced series. However, there are hints of a 5 day cycle that corresponds to the weekly frequency. There are stronger spikes that appear in lags 15 and 30 that support a multiple or harmonic of 5.

The ACF and PACF of the differenced seasonal series show evidence of an underlying MA(5) process



#### **Model Selection**

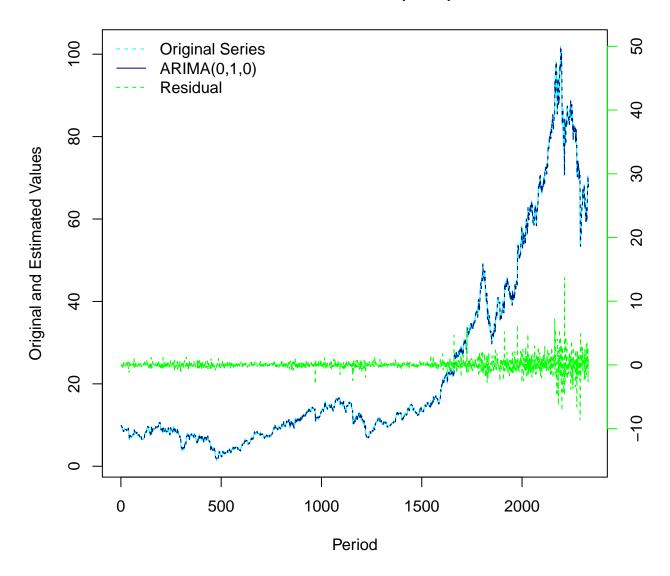
We use the get.best.arima function from the async materials and the Introductory Time Series with R book [Cowpertwait, Metcalfe - 2009] to perform a search for the best ARIMA model. The procedure results in an ARIMA(0,1,0) estimated model.

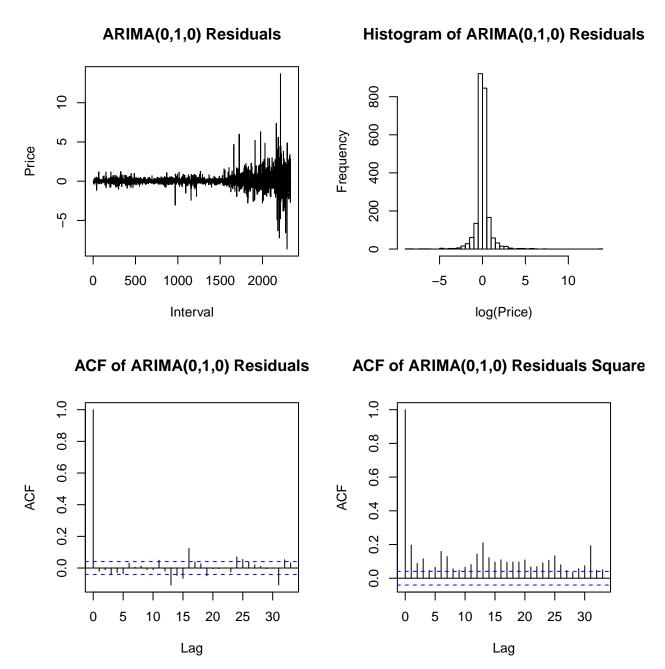
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Table 7: Comparative Statistics

| Statistic          | N     | Mean | St. Dev. | Min  | Max   |
|--------------------|-------|------|----------|------|-------|
| DXCS Series        | 2,332 | 23.2 | 23.4     | 1.4  | 101.9 |
| ARIMA(0,1,0) Model | 2,332 | 23.2 | 23.4     | 1.4  | 101.9 |
| Residuals          | 2,332 | 0.02 | 0.9      | -8.6 | 13.7  |

# Time Series vs. ARIMA(0,1,0) Model



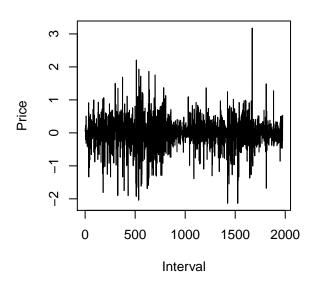


The residuals show an increased volatility at the right end of the residuals graph, and the PACF of the squared residuals shows definite autocorrelation of the residuals.

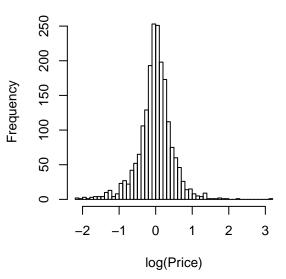
The ARIMA(0,1,0) model of the captures a good deal of the time series' behavior and it is a very parsimonious model.

Since the residuals of the ARIMA(0,1,0) model shows time-dependency we fit a GARCH model to the residual of the ARIMA model. The result is a GARCH(1,1) model where all parameters are significant. We fail to reject the hypothesis that the residuals are IID based on the results of the Ljung-Box test on the squared residuals. The summary of the GARCH model output is shown below.

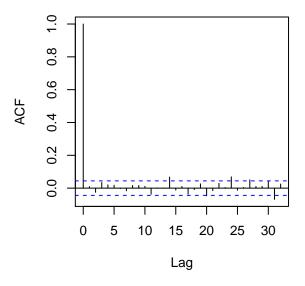
# GARCH(1,1) Residuals



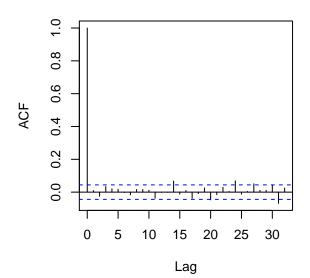
# Histogram GARCH(1,1) Residuals



# ACF GARCH(1,1) Residuals



# ACF GARCH(1,1) Residuals Squared



|                | GARCH(1,1)    |
|----------------|---------------|
| mu             | -0.006        |
|                | (0.008)       |
| omega          | $0.011^{***}$ |
|                | (0.003)       |
| alpha1         | $0.153^{***}$ |
|                | (0.026)       |
| beta1          | $0.806^{***}$ |
|                | (0.033)       |
| Num. obs.      | 1974          |
| AIC            | 1.125         |
| Log Likelihood | 1106.608      |
|                |               |

 $^{***}p < 0.001, \, ^{**}p < 0.01, \, ^{*}p < 0.05$ 

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##
## Title:
## GARCH Modelling
##
## Call:
## garchFit(formula = ts1.fit1$residuals ~ garch(1, 1), trace = FALSE)
##
## Mean and Variance Equation:
## data ~ garch(1, 1)
## <environment: 0x7f8d6da6db08>
## [data = dem2gbp]
##
## Conditional Distribution:
## norm
##
## Coefficient(s):
          mu
                   omega
                              alpha1
                                          beta1
## -0.0061903
               0.0107614
                         0.1531341
                                      0.8059737
##
## Std. Errors:
## based on Hessian
##
## Error Analysis:
##
          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                    0.008462 -0.732 0.464447
## mu
         -0.006190
                      0.002838
                                 3.793 0.000149 ***
## omega
          0.010761
## alpha1 0.153134
                      0.026422
                                5.796 6.8e-09 ***
## beta1
         0.805974
                      0.033381
                               24.144 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Log Likelihood:
                normalized: -0.5605916
## -1106.608
##
## Description:
## Wed Apr 20 08:57:15 2016 by user:
##
##
```

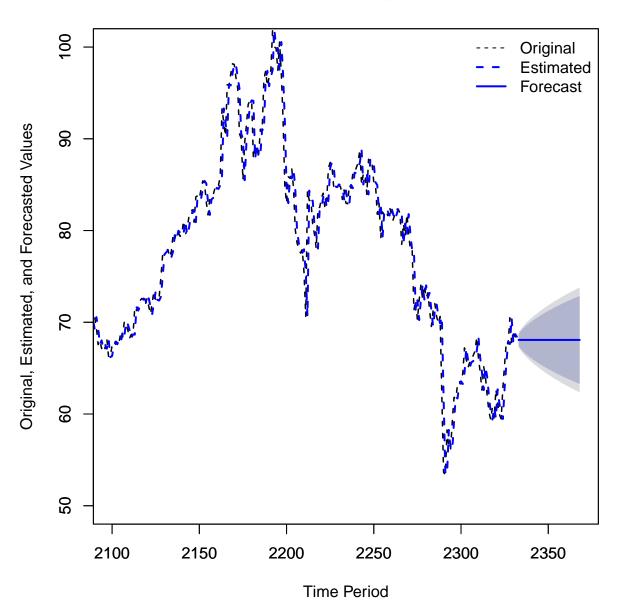
```
## Standardised Residuals Tests:
##
                                  Statistic p-Value
##
   Jarque-Bera Test
                           Chi^2 1059.851 0
## Shapiro-Wilk Test R
                                  0.9622848 0
                           W
## Ljung-Box Test
                      R
                           Q(10)
                                 10.12141 0.4299066
                           Q(15)
## Ljung-Box Test
                      R
                                 17.04349 0.3162711
## Ljung-Box Test
                      R
                           Q(20)
                                 19.29764 0.5025619
## Ljung-Box Test
                      R^2 Q(10)
                                           0.5261773
                                 9.062556
##
   Ljung-Box Test
                      R^2
                           Q(15)
                                 16.07769
                                           0.3769072
  Ljung-Box Test
                      R^2 Q(20)
                                 17.50715
                                           0.6198388
   LM Arch Test
                           TR^2
                                  9.771217
                                           0.6360238
##
## Information Criterion Statistics:
                BIC
##
       AIC
                         SIC
                                 HQIC
## 1.125236 1.136559 1.125228 1.129396
```

The complete ARIMA(0,1,0)-GARCH(1,1) model looks like:

$$y_t - y_{t-1} = .010761 + .153134\epsilon_{t-1}^2 + .805974\hat{h}_{t-1}$$

All of these models exhibit time-dependent residuals so we fit a GARCH model to the residuals of the resulting model

# 36-Step Ahead Forecast and Original & Estimated Series



#### Part 3 - Forecast Web Search Activity for "Global Warming"

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

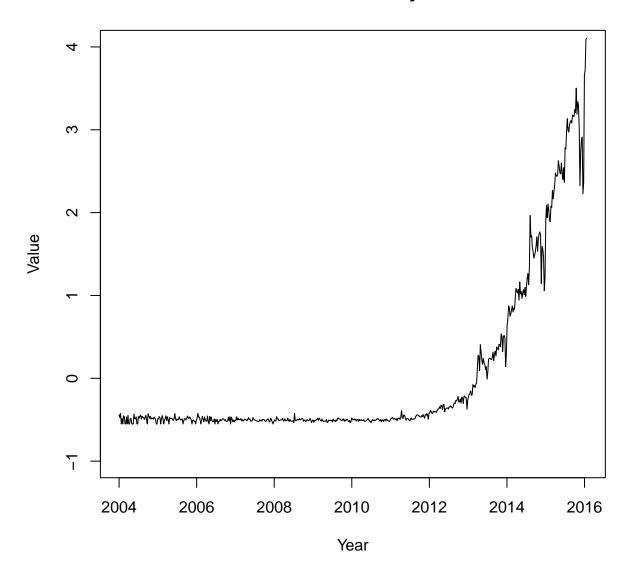
The time series is a weekly measurement of the frequency of a search phrase over a period from 1/4/2004 to 1/24/16 and we have no other information. The plot reveals that from 2004 to around 2012 there is very little activity; after 2012 the activity begins increasing persistently at a steep rate.

#### [1] "function"

Table 8: Descriptive Statistics

| Statistic     | N   | Mean   | St. Dev. | Min   | Max  |
|---------------|-----|--------|----------|-------|------|
| Search Series | 630 | 0.0000 | 1.00     | -0.55 | 4.10 |

# **Search Activity**



We can fit a model that does a better job of forecasting if we take that part of the series that contains the data since about 2012 on which to estimate a model. An analysis of the series indicates that the split point is around 2011. We split the series into 2004-2010 and 2011-2016 in order to capture the variation in the later part of the model. We measure this by observing the autocorrelation in each portion of the series to minimize the autocorrelation in the early series and maximize it in the later series.

The following two pages show the comparative time series plots, ACF and PACF for the early and later time series.

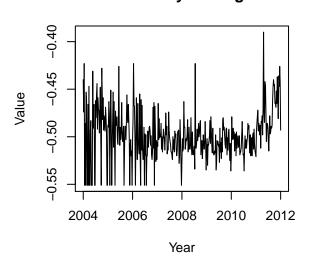
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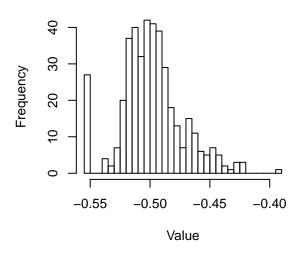
Table 9: Comparative Statistics

| Statistic | N   | Mean  | St. Dev. | Min   | Max   |
|-----------|-----|-------|----------|-------|-------|
| 2004-2010 | 417 | -0.50 | 0.03     | -0.55 | -0.39 |
| 2011-2016 | 213 | 0.98  | 1.23     | -0.43 | 4.10  |

# **Search Activity Through 2010**

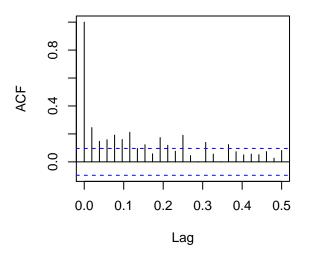
# **Histogram of Search Activity Through 20**

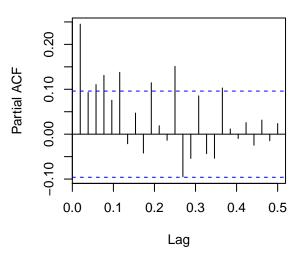




# **Autocorrelation of Search Activity**

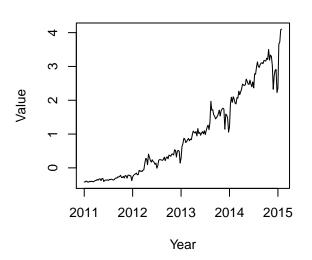
#### **Partial Autocorrelation of Search Activi**

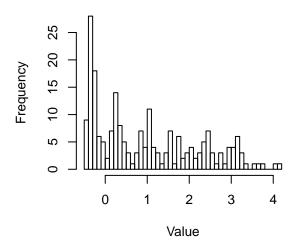




# **Search Activity from 2011**

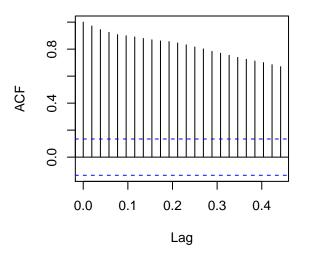
# **Histogram of Search Activity from 201**

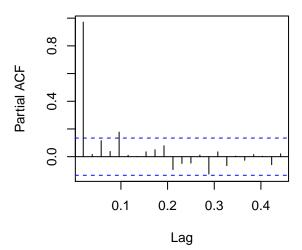




# **Autocorrelation of Search Activity**

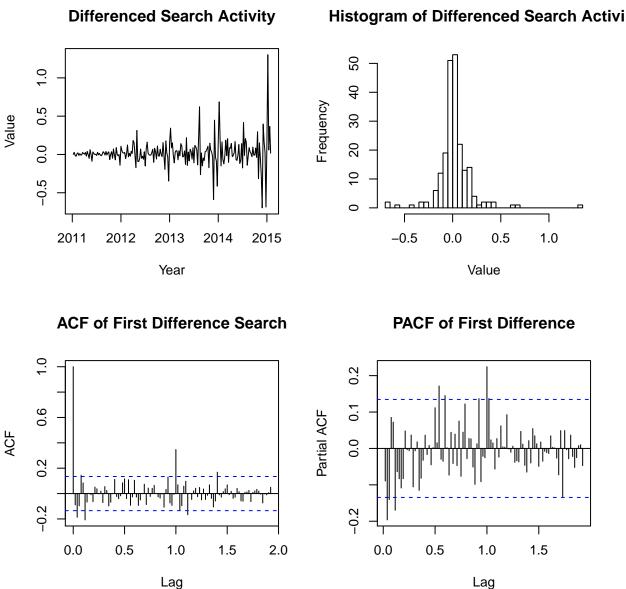
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#### Time Series 2011-2015 Data Exploration

We can see from the plots on the previous page that the time series is not stationary. It has a persistent trend and exhibits seasonality with an increasing variance. We first examine the first difference of the series.



The resulting differenced series has increasing volatility over time. The ACF is indicative of an AR(2) process and the PACF indicates an MA process as well.

The seasonal component is present and seems to be in multiples of 4 and 13.

0.0

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Lag

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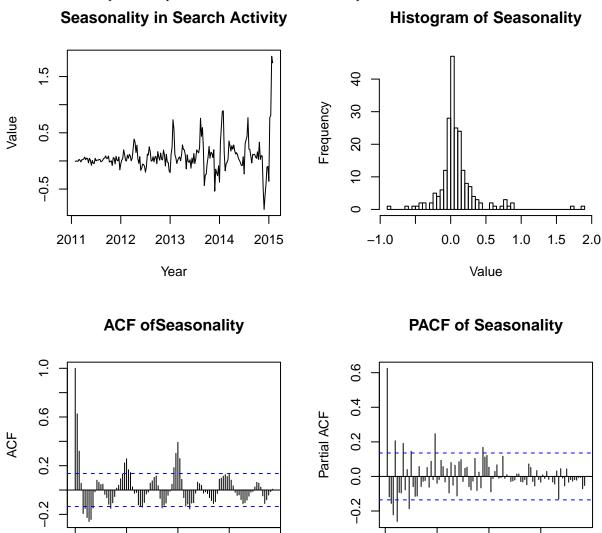
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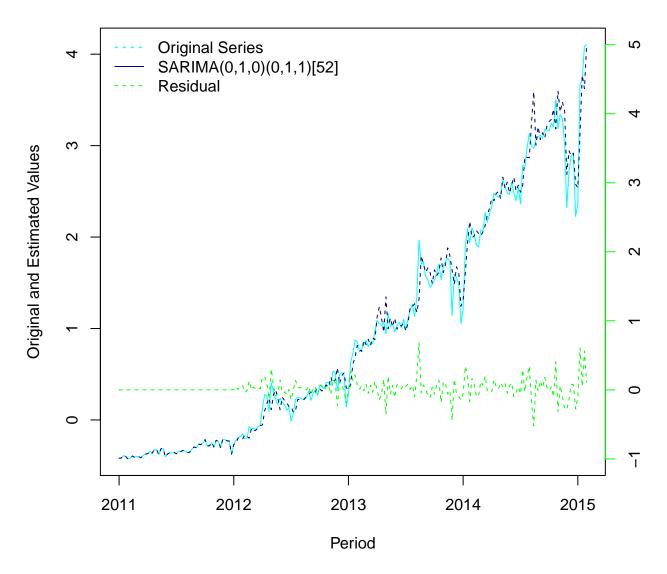
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Modeling

We use the auto.arima function to estimate the best SARIMA model and we obtain a SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[52].

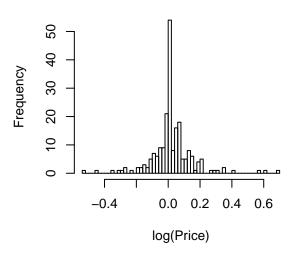
# Time Series vs. SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[52] Model



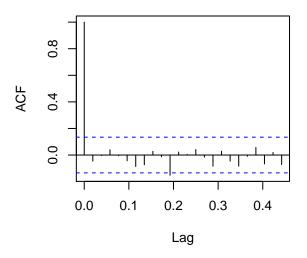
#### **SARIMA Residuals**

# 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 Interval

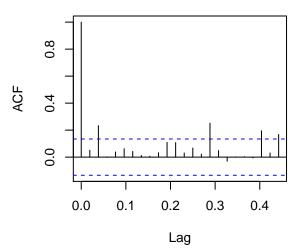
# **Histogram of SARIMA Residuals**



#### **ACF of SARIMA Residuals**

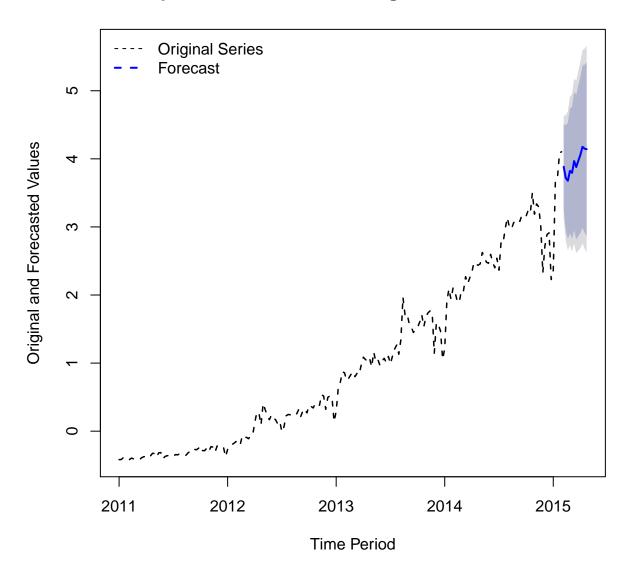


# **ACF of SARIMA Residuals Squared**



#### Forecast

# 12-Step Ahead Forecast and Original & Estimated Series

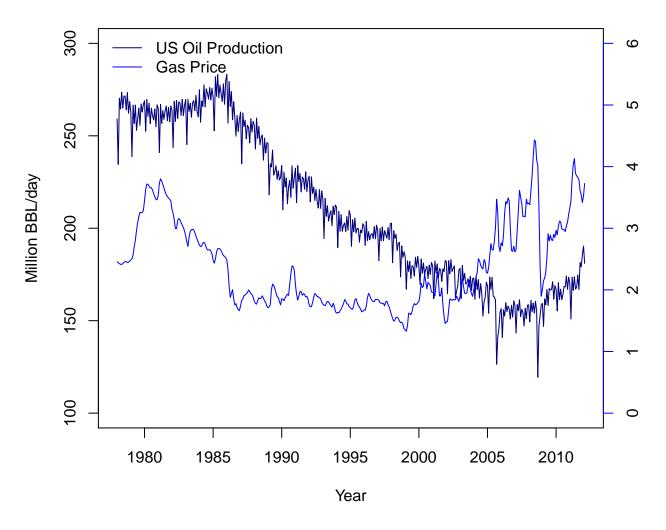


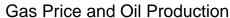
#### Part 4 - Forecast Inflation-Adjusted Gas Price

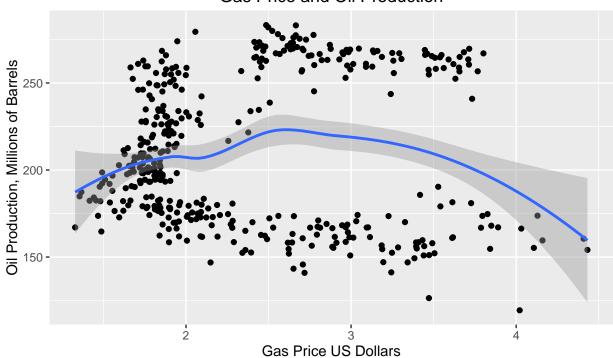
#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

The gasOil series consists of 410 observations of two variables, Production and Price. As described the Production variable is in units of Million Barrels of Oil and Price is in inflation adjusted US Dollars. The observations are monthly beginning 1978/1/1 and ending 2012/2/1. The plots of the two variables indicate that both series appear similar to random walks: they have varying trends up and down over time. The Production series appears to have a seasonal component. The Price series may have a seasonal component as well but it isn't as prominent. A scatterplot of the two variables does not reveal any obvious correlation.

#### **US Oil Production and Inflation-Adjusted Gas Price**







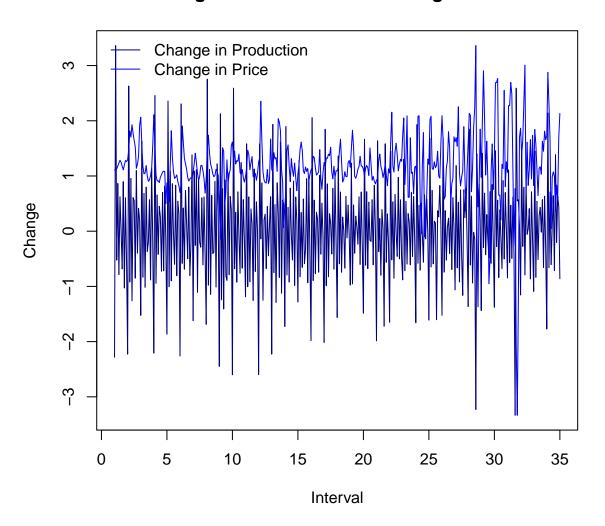
#### Change in Production and Change in Price

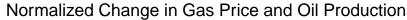
We take the difference of each series in order to compate the change in production to the change in price. We also scale the two variables so as to have zero mean and a standard deviation of 1.0 to make them more comparable. Now the scatterplot appears as a cluster about the origin of the graph.

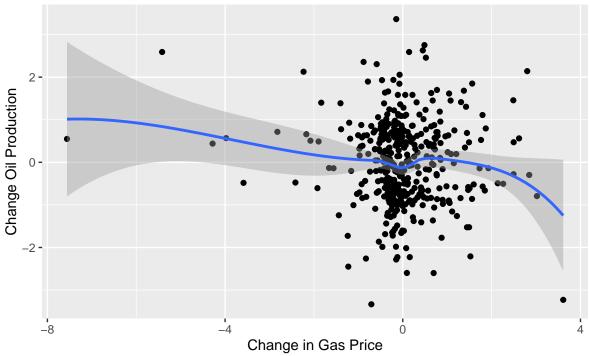
Table 10: Descriptive Statistics of Differenced Series

| Statistic                   | N   | Mean  | St. Dev. | Min    | Max   |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------|----------|--------|-------|
| Change in Production        | 409 | -0.19 | 10.70    | -35.85 | 35.78 |
| Change in Price             | 409 | 0.003 | 0.13     | -0.95  | 0.46  |
| Scaled Change in Production | 409 | 0.00  | 1.00     | -3.33  | 3.36  |
| Scaled Change in Price      | 409 | 0.00  | 1.00     | -7.56  | 3.61  |

# **Change in Production and Change in Price**







#### **Model Recreation**

The AP analysis states that there is no statistically significant correlation between oil production and gas prices. We can reconstruct a means of measuring a correlation and its significance using linear regression. We perform a regression on both the *Production* and *Price* variables as well as the *Change in Production* and *Change in Price*. The results of the regressions are summarized in the table, below.

The regression on the *change in production* and the *change in price* shows a marginally significant p-value but only at the  $\alpha=0.1$  level. The standard error shows that the estimate range crosses 0 so it is not distinguishable from 0. As expected all regression coefficients are not distinguishable from 0 and this reproduces the AP analysis conclusion that there is no statistically significate correlation between the two variables.

#### Critique

Comparing *Price* and *Production* in this way does not take into account the dependency on time. Each variable has it's own seasonal effects and its own volatility. A more careful analysis would compare the variables as time series and analyse the lagged relationships and seasonal factors.

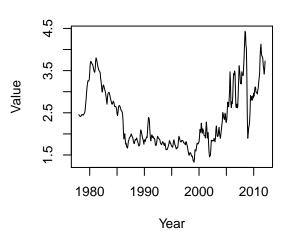
Table 11: Oil Production and Gas Price Model Summary

|   |  | Dependen   | Dependent variable:  |   |
|---|--|--|--|---|
|   | Change in Production   | Production   | Change in Price  | Price   |
|   | (1)  | (2)  | (3)  | (4)   |
| Change in Price   | $-0.08615^*$ $(0.04938)$   |  |  |   |
| Price   |  | $1.66562 \\ (2.96964)$   |  |   |
| Change In Production  |  |  | -0.08615* $(0.04938)$  |   |
| Production  |  |  |  | 0.00046 (0.00082)   |
| Constant  | 0.00000 $(0.04932)$  | $206.02400^{***}$ (7.39724)  | 0.00000 $(0.04932)$  | $2.29431^{***}$ (0.17660)   |
| Observations R <sup>2</sup> Adjusted R <sup>2</sup> Residual Std. Error F Statistic | $409 \\ 0.00742 \\ 0.00498 \\ 0.99751 \text{ (df} = 407) \\ 3.04323^* \text{ (df} = 1; 407)$ | 410<br>0.00077<br>-0.00168<br>41.91082 (df = 408)<br>0.31459 (df = 1; 408) | 409 $0.00742$ $0.00498$ $0.99751 (df = 407)$ $3.04323* (df = 1; 407)$ $*p < 0$ | $\begin{array}{c} 410 \\ 0.00077 \\ -0.00168 \\ 7)  0.69843 \text{ (df} = 408) \\ 107)  0.31459 \text{ (df} = 1;408) \\ **_{n < 0.1. **_{n < 0.05. ***_{n < 0.017}}} \end{array}$ |

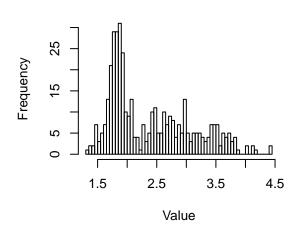
#### Time Series Analysis

The *Price* series observations are...

#### **Gas Price Time Series**

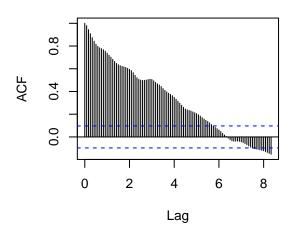


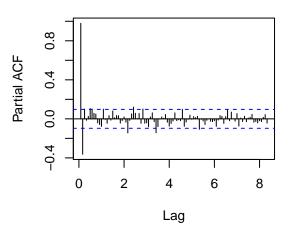
# **Histogram of Gas Price Series**



#### **Autocorrelation of Gas Price**







## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. ## 1.329 1.823 2.096 2.391 2.909 4.432