Time Series: A First Course with Bootstrap Starter

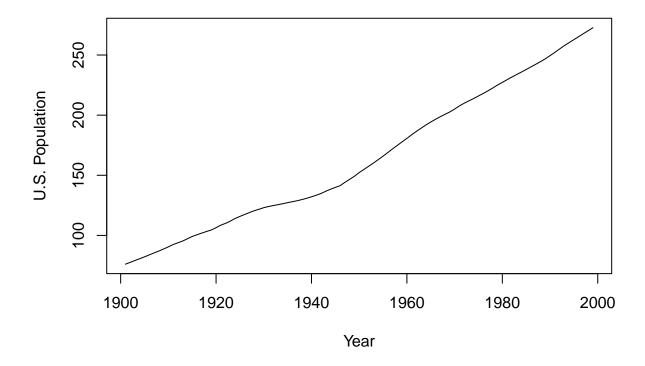
Lesson 1-1: Time Series Data

- A time series is a dataset where the observations are recorded at discrete time intervals.
- We denote the observation a time t by x_t , and the random variable by X_t .
- We have times t = 1, 2, ..., n for the sample $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$.
- Time series data might not be i.i.d. (Independent and Identically Distributed)!

Example 1.1.3. U.S. Population

• U.S. Population growth over the twentieth century.

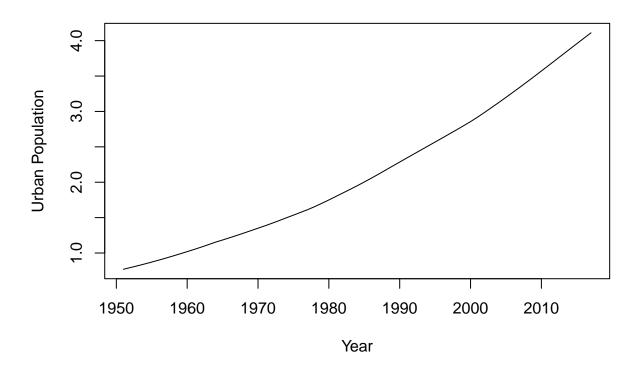
```
pop <- read.table("USpop.dat")
pop <- ts(pop, start = 1901)
plot(pop*10e-7,xlab="Year",ylab="U.S. Population",lwd=1)</pre>
```



Example 1.1.4. Urban World Population

• Urban World Population trends upwards more strongly after WWII.

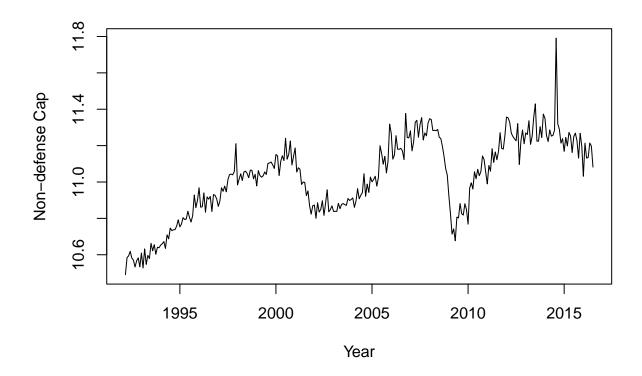
```
urban <- read.table("urbanpop.dat")
urban <- ts(urban[67:1,], start = 1951)
plot(urban*1e-9,xlab="Year",ylab="Urban Population",lwd=1)</pre>
```



Example 1.1.5. Non-Defense Capitalization

 $\bullet\,$ Non-Defense Capitalization (New Orders) shows non-monotonic trend, and is more noisy.

```
ndc <- read.table("Nondefcap.dat")
ndc <- ts(ndc[,2],start=c(1992,3),frequency=12,names= "NewOrders")
plot(ndc,xlab="Year",ylab="Non-defense Cap")</pre>
```



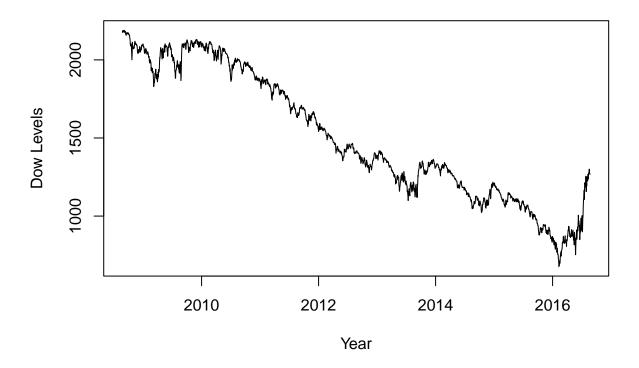
Serial Dependence and Forecasting

- Smoothness corresponds to high positive association (correlation) between adjacent variables.
- High association means forecasting (prediction of future values) is easier.

Example 1.1.8. Dow Jones Industrial Average

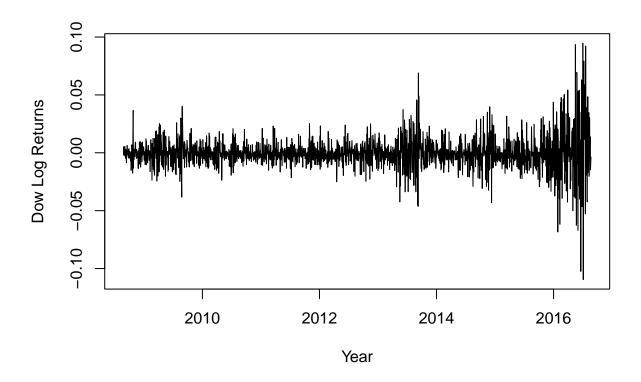
• Dow Jones Industrial Average has trend, but is hard to forecast one day ahead.

```
dow <- read.table("dow.dat")
dow <- ts(dow,start=c(2008,164),frequency=252)
plot(dow,xlab="Year",ylab="Dow Levels")</pre>
```



• We can plot the log returns (consecutive difference of logged data), which shows how volatility is not constant.

```
dow.diff <- diff(log(dow[,1]))
plot(dow.diff,xlab="Year",ylab="Dow Log Returns")</pre>
```



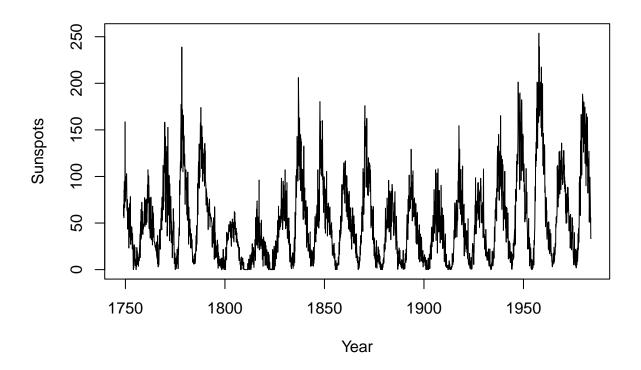
Lesson 1-2: Cycles

- High association can occur for non-adjacent random variables.
- For some fixed h > 1, we may have X_t and X_{t-h} associated for all t.
- This is a periodic effect, called a cycle, of period h.

Example 1.2.1. Sunspots

- Wolfer sunspots series measures number of sunspots recorded each month.
- Cycles are roughly 11 years (so $h \approx 132$).

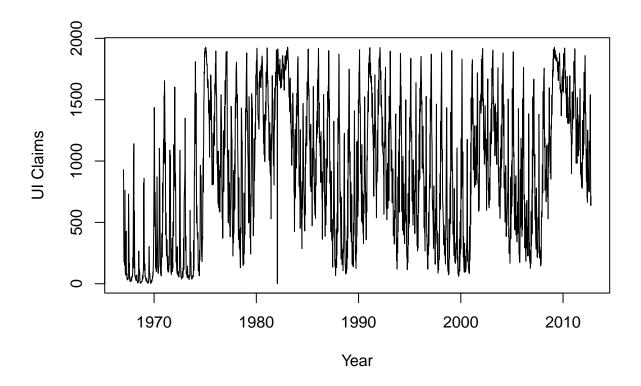
```
wolfer <- read.table("wolfer.dat")
wolfer <- ts(wolfer,start=1749,frequency=12)
plot(wolfer,xlab="Year",ylab="Sunspots")</pre>
```



Example 1.2.2. Unemployment Insurance Claims

- \bullet Weekly measurements of claims for unemployment insurance (pre-Covid).
- There is a weekly cylical pattern, corresponding to a cycle of annual period (h = 52).

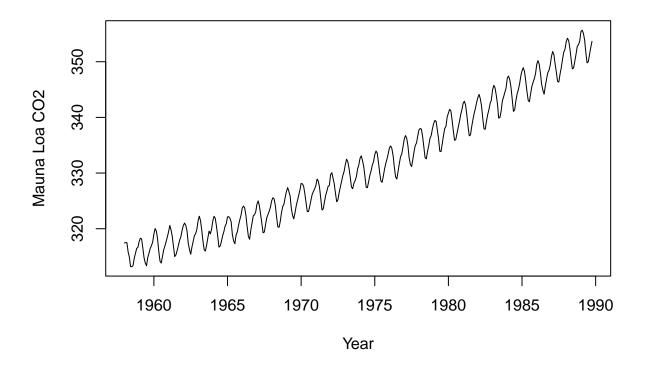
```
ui <- read.table("ui.dat")
ui <- ts(ui,start=1967,frequency=52)
plot(ui,ylab="UI Claims",xlab="Year")</pre>
```



Example 1.2.3. Mauna Loa carbon Dioxide

- $\bullet\,$ Monthly measurements of CO2 levels on mount Mauna Loa.
- Apparent upward trend and monthly (h = 12) cycle.

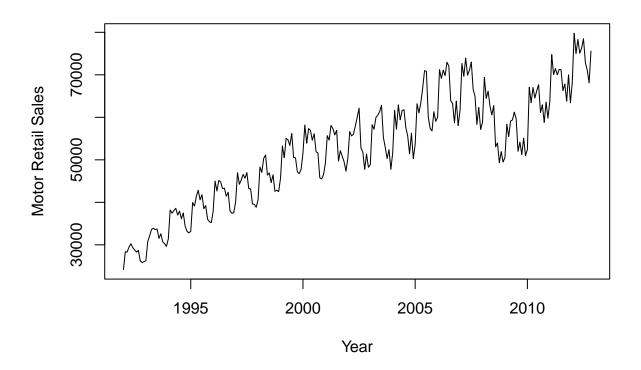
```
mau <- read.table("mauna.dat",header=TRUE,sep="")
mau <- ts(mau,start=1958,frequency=12)
plot(mau,ylab="Mauna Loa CO2",xlab="Year")</pre>
```



Example 1.2.4. Retail Sales of Motor Vehicles and Parts Dealers

- $\bullet\,$ Monthly measurements of retail sales.
- Shows trend, monthly (h = 12) cycle, and Great Recession.

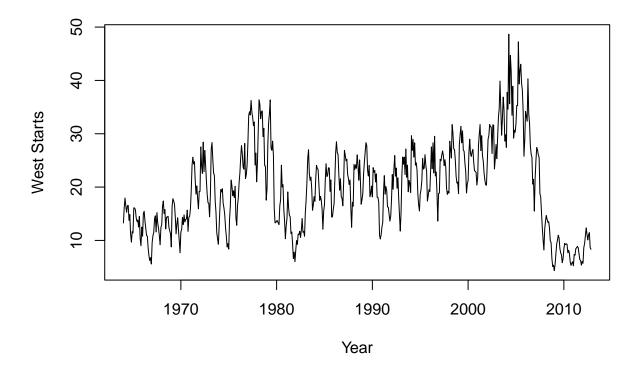
```
Ret441 <- read.table("retail441.b1",header=TRUE,skip=2)[,2]
Ret441 <- ts(Ret441,start = 1992,frequency=12)
plot(Ret441, ylab="Motor Retail Sales",xlab="Year")
```



Example 1.2.5. Housing Starts

- Monthly measurements of housing construction started (West Region).
- Shows trend, monthly (h = 12) cycle, and some recessions/expansions.

```
Wstarts <- read.table("Wstarts.b1",header=TRUE,skip=2)[,2]
Wstarts <- ts(Wstarts,start = 1964,frequency=12)
plot(Wstarts, ylab="West Starts",xlab="Year")</pre>
```



Lesson 1-3: Windows and Transforms

• To better visualize a time series, we may examine sub-spans, or use a transformation.

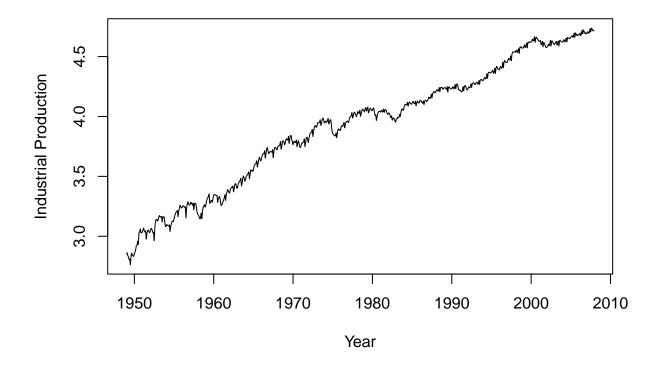
Windowing

- Focusing on a sub-section of the time series is called windowing.
- A window has a fixed width, and the starting and ending times change as it slides through the data.
- Windowing is useful for exploratory analysis, to visualize changes.

Example 1.3.2. Industrial Production

- Industrial Production is a monthly time series, starting in 1949.
- It has strong trend and moderate seasonality.

```
indprod <- read.table("ind.dat")
indprod <- ts(indprod,start=1949,frequency=12)
plot(indprod,xlab="Year",ylab="Industrial Production")</pre>
```



• We can create a moving window through the data.

```
### Movie
movie <- FALSE
delay <- 0
window <- 20
n <- length(indprod)/12
if(movie) {
for(t in 1:(n-window +1))
{
    Sys.sleep(delay)
    subsamp <- indprod[((t-1)*12+1):((t-1+window)*12)]
    newyear <- 1948 + t
    plot(ts(subsamp,start=newyear,frequency=12),ylab="")
} }</pre>
```

Log Transformation

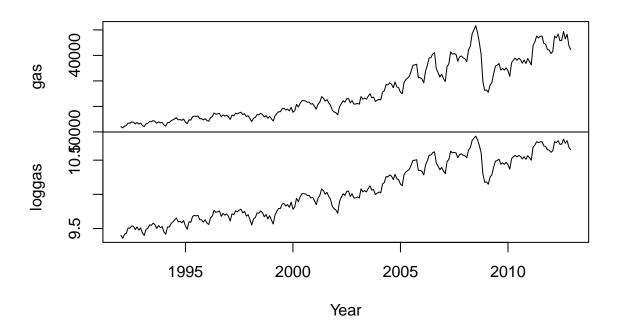
- To visualize and model time series better, sometimes we apply a log transform (if the data is positive).
- If cycle amplitude depends on trend level, applying a log may separate this effect so that cycle amplitude is no longer growing.
- Some extreme effects can be attenuated through the log transform.

Example 1.3.4. Gasoline Sales

- Monthly measurements of sales at gasoline stations.
- Variation depends on level, so we apply a log transformation.

```
gas <- read.table("GasRaw_2-11-13.dat")[,1]
loggas <- log(gas)
gas_trans <- ts(cbind(gas,loggas),start = 1992,frequency=12)
plot(gas_trans,xlab="Year",main="Gas Sales")</pre>
```

Gas Sales

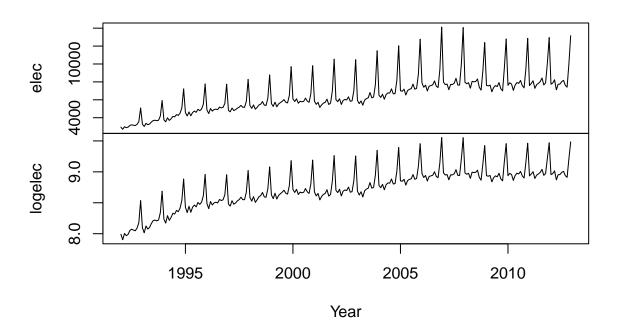


Example 1.3.5. Electronics and Appliance Stores

- Monthly measurements of sales at electronics stores
- Large seasonal movements due to December sales
- We apply a log transformation

```
elec <- read.table("retail443.b1",header=FALSE,skip=2)[,2]
logelec <- log(elec)
elec_trans <- ts(cbind(elec,logelec),start = 1992,frequency=12)
plot(elec_trans, xlab="Year",main="Electronics Sales")</pre>
```

Electronics Sales



Lesson 1-4: Time Series Regression and Autoregression

• It is tempting to regress time series data on time t = 1, ..., n, as a covariate. Rarely does this provide satisfactory results (when used alone).

Regression on Time Trend

 $\bullet\,$ Regression model with time trend:

$$X_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + Z_t.$$

Is $\{Z_t\}$ i.i.d.? Usually: **No**.

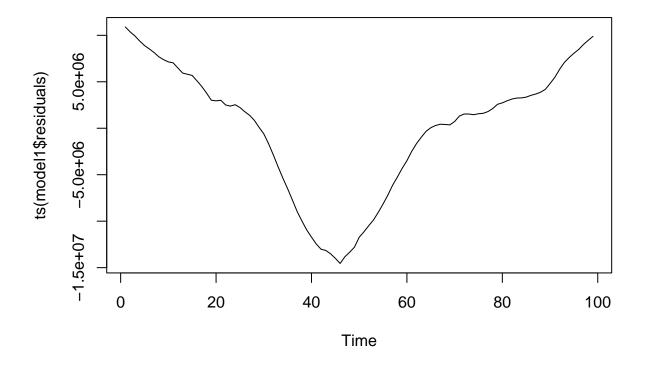
Example 1.1.3. U.S. Population

• Try out time trend regression for U.S. population.

```
pop <- read.table("USpop.dat")
pop <- ts(pop, start = 1901)
n <- length(pop)
time <- seq(1,n)
model1 <- lm(pop ~ time)
summary(model1)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = pop ~ time)
##</pre>
```

```
## Residuals:
##
         Min
                          Median
                                         ЗQ
                    1Q
                                                  Max
   -14549597
##
              -4786782
                          1606479
                                    4952580
                                             10891620
##
##
  Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 63186029
                            1432136
                                      44.12
                                              <2e-16 ***
                                      81.08
                                              <2e-16 ***
## time
                2016351
                              24868
## ---
## Signif. codes:
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 7071000 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9855, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9853
## F-statistic: 6575 on 1 and 97 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
plot(ts(model1$residuals))
```



• Highly structured residuals! We could add higher order polynomial effects to time trend, but it won't really help.

Regression on Past of Self

- Let past values of the time series be the covariates. Called Autoregression.
- Autoregressive model:

$$X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

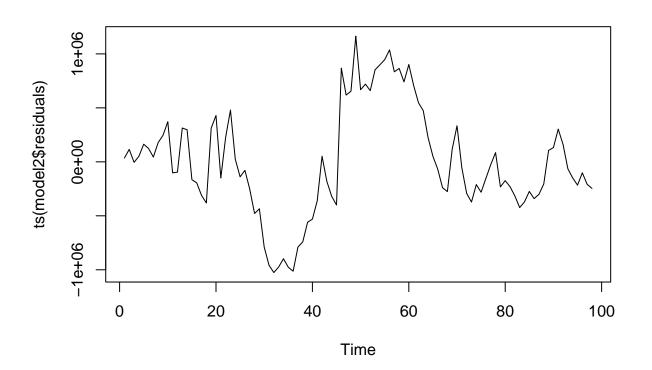
Assume $\{Z_t\}$ i.i.d.

Example 1.1.3. U.S. Population

plot(ts(model2\$residuals))

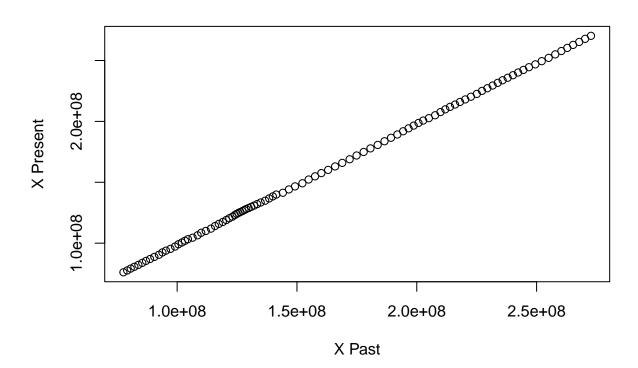
- Try out autoregression for U.S. population.
- Here we include a constant regressor as well.

```
model2 \leftarrow lm(pop[-1] \sim pop[-n])
summary(model2)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = pop[-1] ~ pop[-n])
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                       Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
                  1Q
##
   -1025866
            -289498
                        -73620
                                 301639
                                         1164336
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 9.705e+05 1.522e+05
                                        6.376 6.33e-09 ***
               1.006e+00 8.814e-04 1141.752 < 2e-16 ***
## pop[-n]
##
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
## Residual standard error: 499900 on 96 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9999, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9999
## F-statistic: 1.304e+06 on 1 and 96 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```



- Residuals are less structured, though maybe still not i.i.d.
- Why does this seem to work?

```
cor(pop[-1],pop[-n])
## [1] 0.9999632
plot(pop[-1],pop[-n],xlab="X Past",ylab="X Present")
```



Incorporate Time Trend

- We can incorporate time trend into an autoregression.
- One way to do it:

$$X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + Z_t,$$

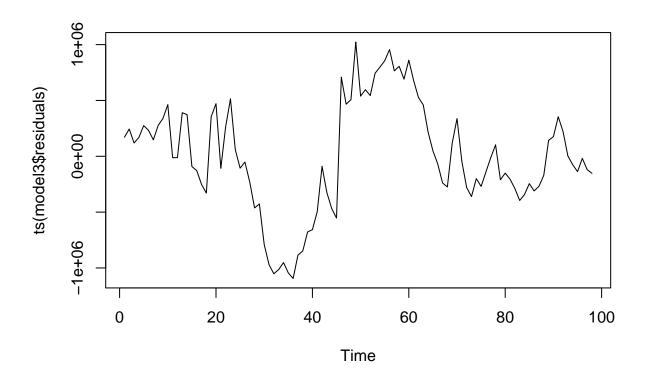
- This makes the mean $\mathbf{E}[X_t]$ depend on ρ .
- Another way to do it:

$$Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + X_t$$
$$X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + Z_t.$$

```
model3 <- lm(pop[-1] ~ pop[-n] + time[-1])
summary(model3)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = pop[-1] ~ pop[-n] + time[-1])
##
## Residuals:
```

```
##
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                             Max
  -1094117
                       -31978
##
            -273594
                                350442
                                        1023219
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 1.636e+06
                          4.538e+05
                                      3.606 0.000498 ***
## pop[-n]
               9.952e-01
                          7.201e-03 138.202 < 2e-16 ***
## time[-1]
               2.269e+04
                          1.458e+04
                                      1.556 0.122985
##
## Signif. codes:
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 496200 on 95 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9999, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9999
## F-statistic: 6.615e+05 on 2 and 95 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
plot(ts(model3$residuals))
```



- This implements the first approach.
- Notice slope coefficient β_1 is not significant, and residuals resemble those of the pure autoregressive model. So not much benefit to using time covariate.