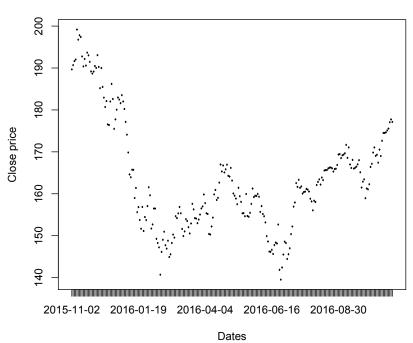
Original data

Plot the original data - Goldman Sachs stock prices over 1 year.





Stationarity

To make the data stationary, we need to difference it.

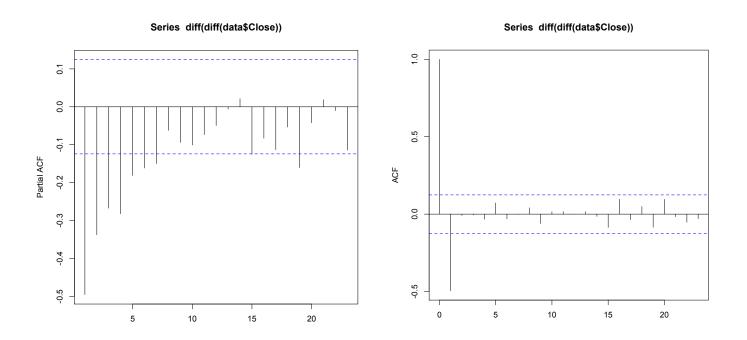
ARIMA model

We build an ARIMA model of order (p, d, q).

The parameter d equals the number of times we difference the data. In this case, d = 2. To find p, we plot the partial autocorrelation function (PACF). There is 1 significant lag, after which

the function starts tailing off. So p = 1.

To find q, we plot the autocorrelation function (ACF). There is 1 significant lag, after which the function starts tailing off. So q = 1.



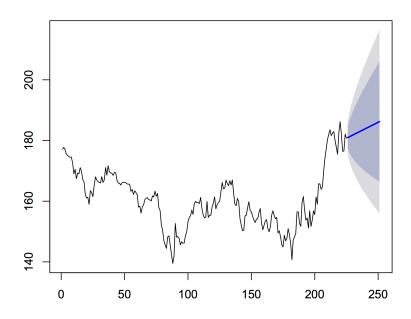
We build an ARIMA model with order(1, 2, 1).

Forecasts

We forecast stock prices for the next 25 days. Then, we plot the forecasters prices.

Point Forecast Lo 80 Hi 80 Lo 95 226 180.9603 177.5210 184.3995 175.7004 186.2201 227 181.1691 176.3370 186.0011 173.7791 188.5590 228 181.3789 175.4495 187.3084 172.3106 190.4472 229 181.5887 174.7152 188.4623 171.0765 192.1010 230 181.7986 174.0775 189.5196 169.9902 193.6069 231 182.0084 173.5073 190.5095 169.0071 195.0097 232 182.2182 172.9873 191.4492 168.1007 196.3357 233 182.4281 172.5062 192.3499 167.2539 197.6022 234 182.6379 172.0563 193.2194 166.4548 198.8210 235 182.8477 171.6320 194.0635 165.6947 200.0007 236 183.0575 171.2289 194.8862 164.9672 201.1479 237 183.2674 170.8438 195.6910 164.2671 202.2676 238 183.4772 170.4741 196.4803 163.5907 203.3637 239 183.6870 170.1178 197.2563 162.9346 204.4394 240 183.8969 169.7730 198.0207 162.2963 205.4974 241 184.1067 169.4384 198.7750 161.6735 206.5399 242 184.3165 169.1128 199.5202 161.0645 207.5686 243 184.5263 168.7952 200.2575 160.4676 208.5851 244 184.7362 168.4846 200.9877 159.8816 209.5907 245 184.9460 168.1804 201.7116 159.3053 210.5867 246 185.1558 167.8819 202.4298 158.7376 211.5740 247 185.3657 167.5885 203.1429 158.1778 212.5535 248 185.5755 167.2996 203.8514 157.6249 213.5260 249 185.7853 167.0149 204.5557 157.0784 214.4922 185.9951 166.7339 205.2563 156.5377 215.4526 250 251 186.2050 166.4564 205.9536 156.0021 216.4079

Forecasts from ARIMA(1,2,1)



Tips

ARIMA models don't work very well for long time series with more than 200 observations. Optimization of the parameters becomes more time consuming because of the number of observations involved.

They are also poor models for long term predictions because after some time in the future the forecasts would tend to the mean of the time series.

Useful references https://people.duke.edu/~rnau/411arim2.htm