

Correlations:

The Tango of Time Series

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What you Should Take Away Today

Getting to know your time series by:

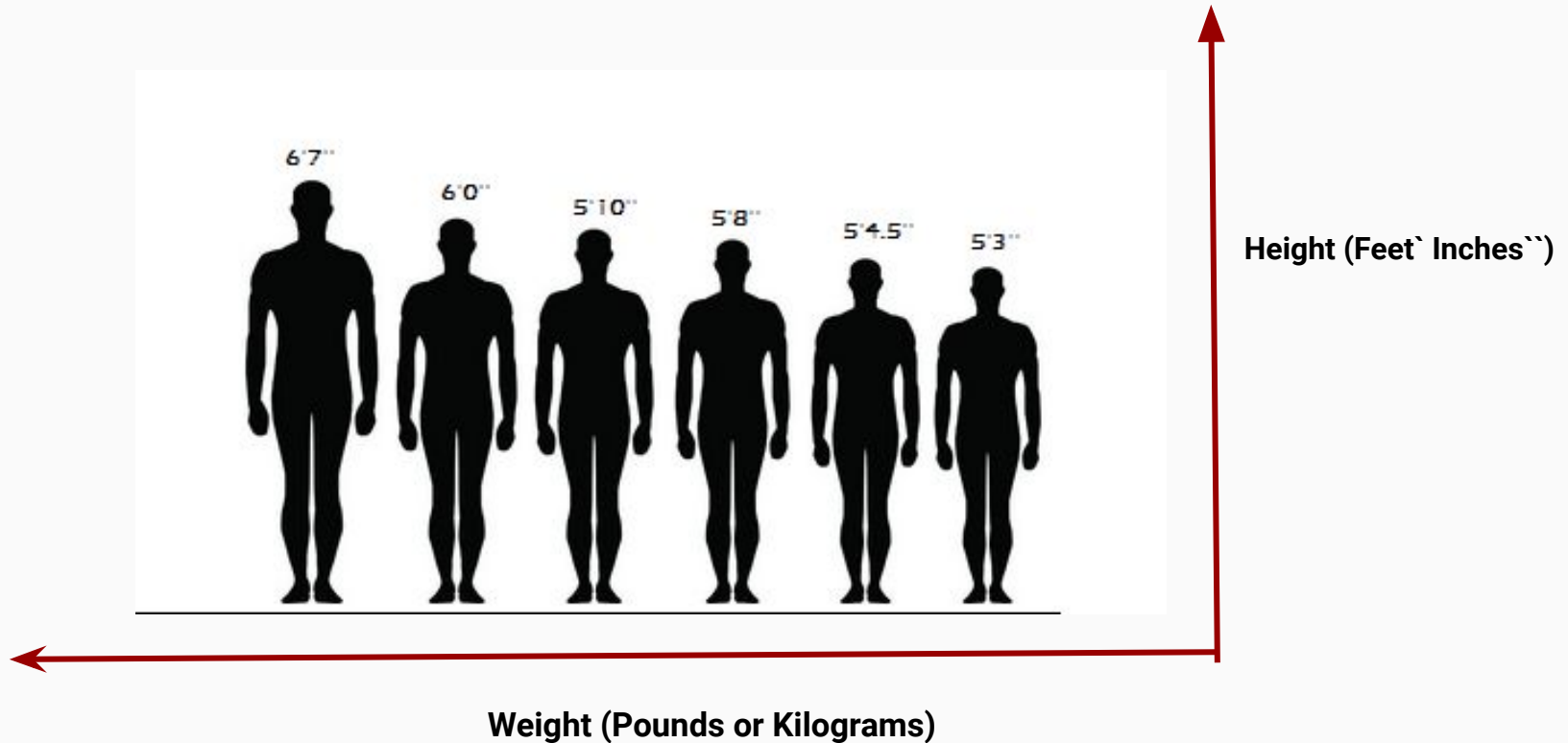
- Comparing it to itself (auto = “self”)
- Comparing other time series (cross)

Correlation

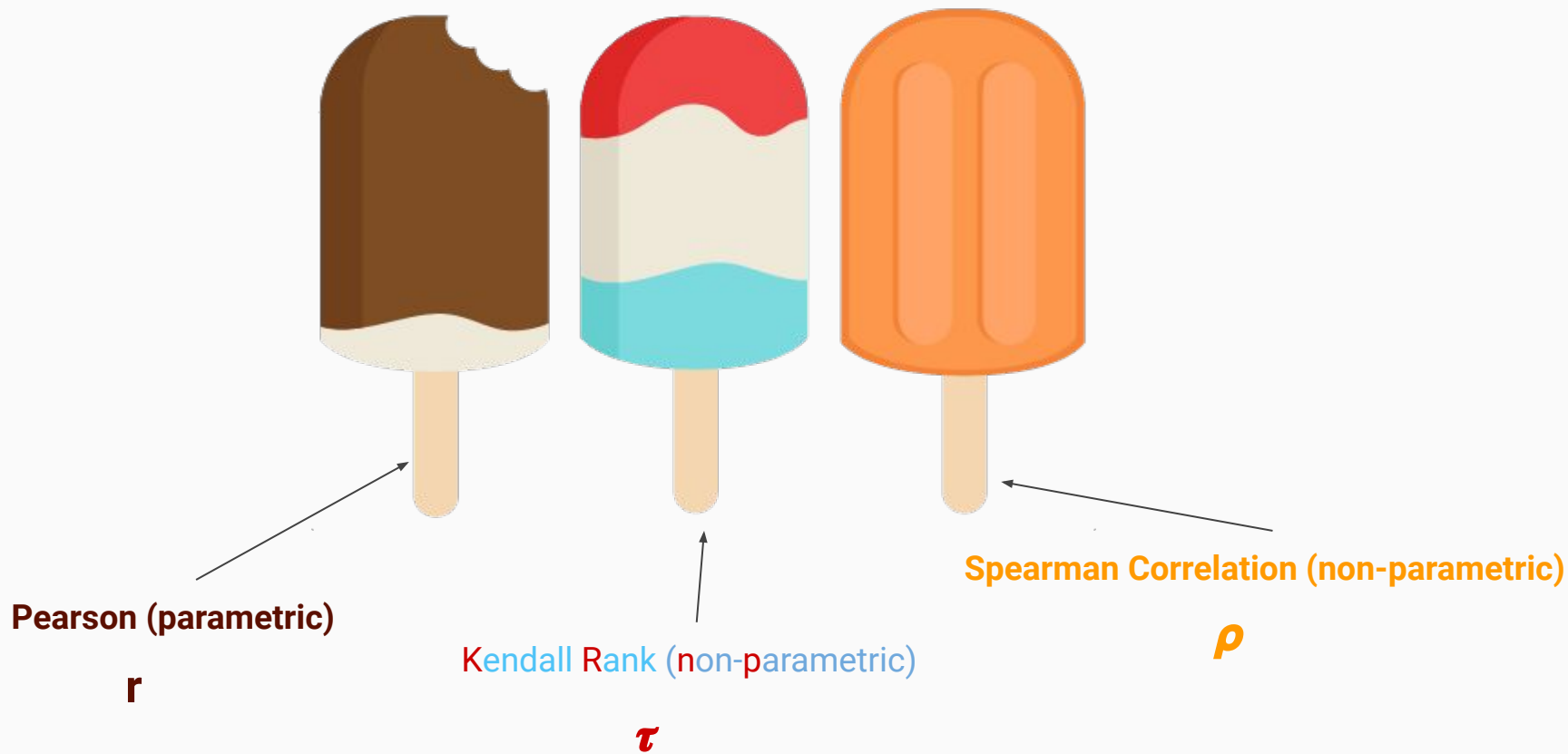
Definition *cor·re·la·tion*

The degree of correspondence or relationship between two variables.

Correlation of Two Metrics/Time Series



Formula Flavors



Pearson Correlation Formula

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \text{corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

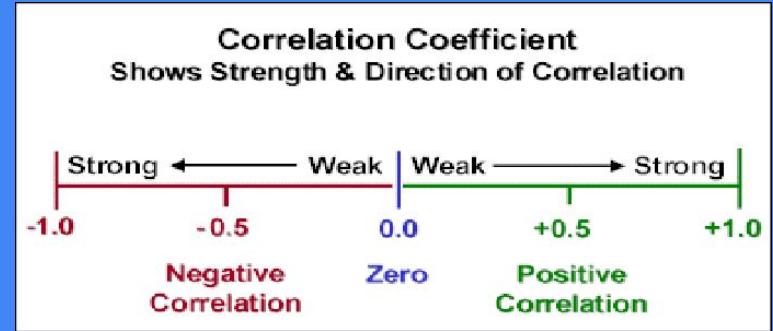
$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)}{\sqrt{E(X^2) - E(X)^2} \cdot \sqrt{E(Y^2) - E(Y)^2}}$$

Correlation Coefficient

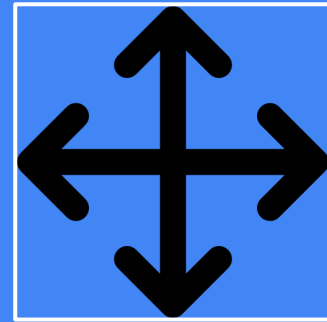
r

(quantitative measure)
(aka, a number!)

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Strength-of-Coefficient-of-Correlation_fig1_272863721

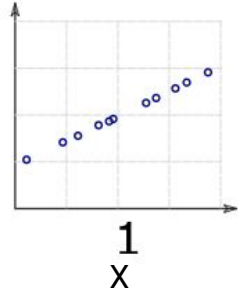


Strength

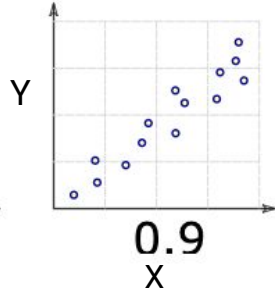


Direction

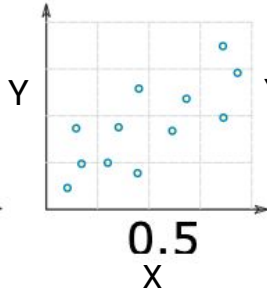
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Positive
Correlation*



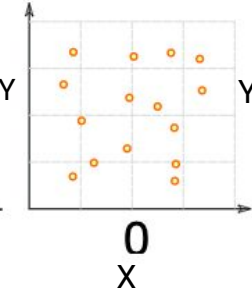
*High
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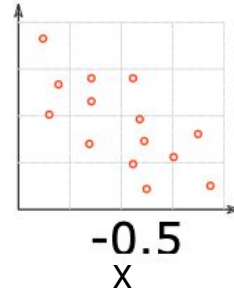
*Low
Positive
Correlation*



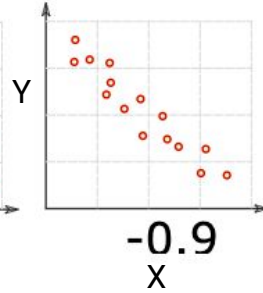
*No
Correlation*



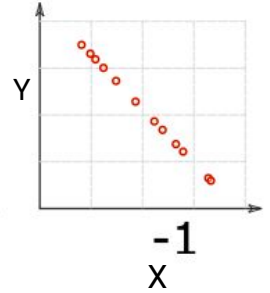
*Low
Negative
Correlation*



*High
Negative
Correlation*



*Perfect
Negative
Correlation*



Thanks!

<https://anomaly.io/index.html>

Provided good examples of Correlations which I **Julia-ized** and added some additional information.

<https://anomaly.io/detect-anomalies-in-correlated-time-series/index.html>

https://anomaly.io/understand-auto-cross-correlation-normalized-shift/index.html#/cross_correlation

<https://anomaly.io/detect-correlation-time-series/index.html>

Cross-Correlation:

It Takes Two!

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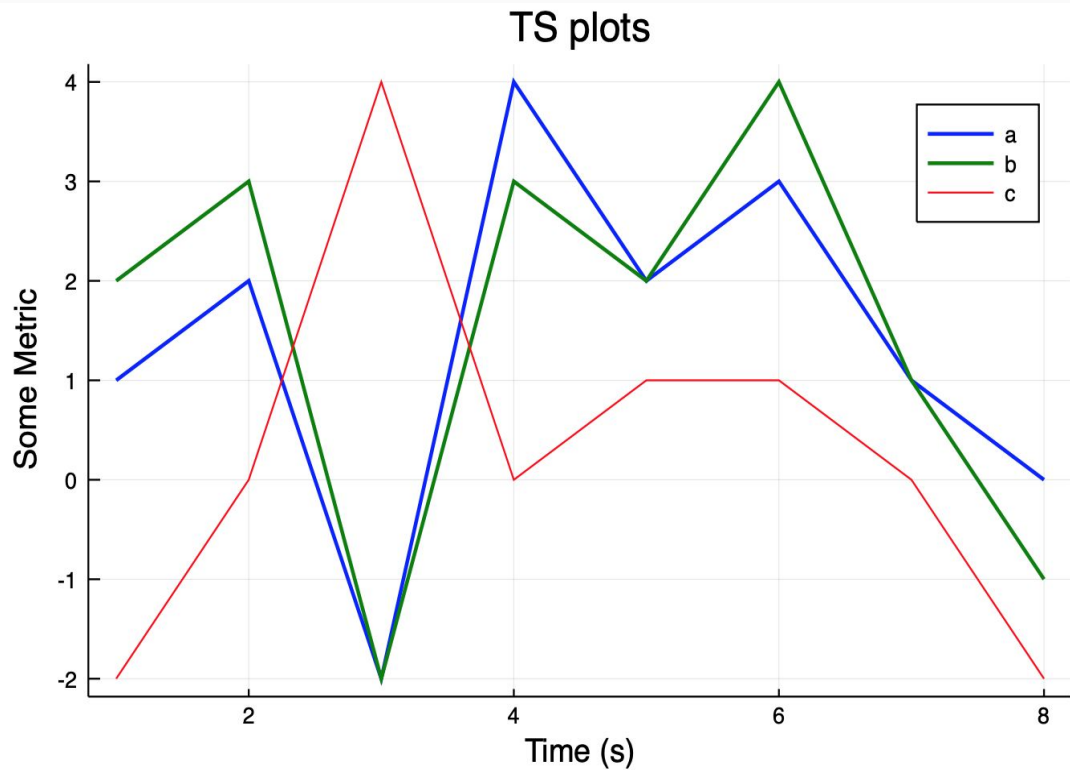
a = [1, 2, -2, 4, 2, 3, 1, 0];
b = [2, 3, -2, 3, 2, 4, 1, -1];
c = [-2, 0, 4, 0, 1, 1, 0, -2];

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$$\text{corr}(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{n-1} x[n] * y[n]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{corr}(a, b) &= 1 * 2 + 2 * 3 + -2 * -2 + 4 * 3 + 2 * 2 + 3 * 4 + 1 * 1 + 0 * -1 \\ &= 41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{corr}(a, c) &= 1 * -2 + 2 * 0 + -2 * 4 + 4 * 0 + 2 * 1 + 3 * 1 + 1 * 0 + 0 * -2 \\ &= -5 \end{aligned}$$



Issues with Raw Cross-Correlation Calculations

1. Can't really grasp value of cross_ab vs cross_ac significance
2. Want a&b or a&c to have similar amplitudes - might misread correlations.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{corr}(a, a/2) &= 1 * (1/2) + 2 * (2/2) + -2 * (-2/2) + 4 * (4/2) + 2 * (2/2), 3 * (3/2) + 1 * (1/2) + 0 * (0/2) \\ &= 19.5 \end{aligned}$$

3. Have to ensure that std deviation values are finite and positive.

“Solution: Normalize the Values”



Normalization alleviates these issues so we can compare.

$$\text{norm_corr}(x, y) = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{n-1} x[n] * y[n]}{\sqrt{\sum_{n=0}^{n-1} x[n]^2 * \sum_{n=0}^{n-1} y[n]^2}}$$

$$\text{norm_corr}(x, y) = \text{PearsonCorrelationCoefficient}$$

Using this formula let's compute the normalized cross-correlation of ab and ac.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{norm_corr}(a, b) &= \frac{1 * 2 + 2 * 3 + -2 * -2 + 4 * 3 + 2 * 2 + 3 * 4 + 1 * 1 + 0 * -1}{\sqrt{(1 + 4 + 4 + 16 + 4 + 9 + 1 + 0) * (4 + 9 + 4 + 9 + 4 + 16 + 1 + 1)}} \\ &= \frac{41}{\sqrt{(39) * (48)}} \\ &= 0.947\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{norm_corr}(a, c) &= \frac{1 * -2 + 2 * 0 + -2 * 4 + 4 * 0 + 2 * 1 + 3 * 1 + 1 * 0 + 0 * -2}{\sqrt{(1 + 4 + 4 + 16 + 4 + 9 + 1 + 0) * (4 + 0 + 16 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 0 + 4)}} \\ &= \frac{-5}{\sqrt{(39) * (26)}} \\ &= -0.157\end{aligned}$$

```
norm_corr_ab = sum(a .* (b)) / sqrt(sum(a.^2) * sum(b.^2)); # equals 0.947
norm_corr_ac = sum(a .* (c)) / sqrt(sum(a.^2) * sum(c.^2)); # equals -0.157
```

Quick Check to Show Normalization Works

```
In [4]: 1 # Normalized norm_corr(a,a) = 1:
        2 proof = sum(a .* (a)) / sqrt(sum(a.^2) * sum(a.^2))
```

Out[4]: 1.0

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In [5]: 1 # Normalized norm_corr(a,-a) = -1:
        2 proof = sum(a .* (-a)) / sqrt(sum(a.^2) * sum((-a).^2))
```

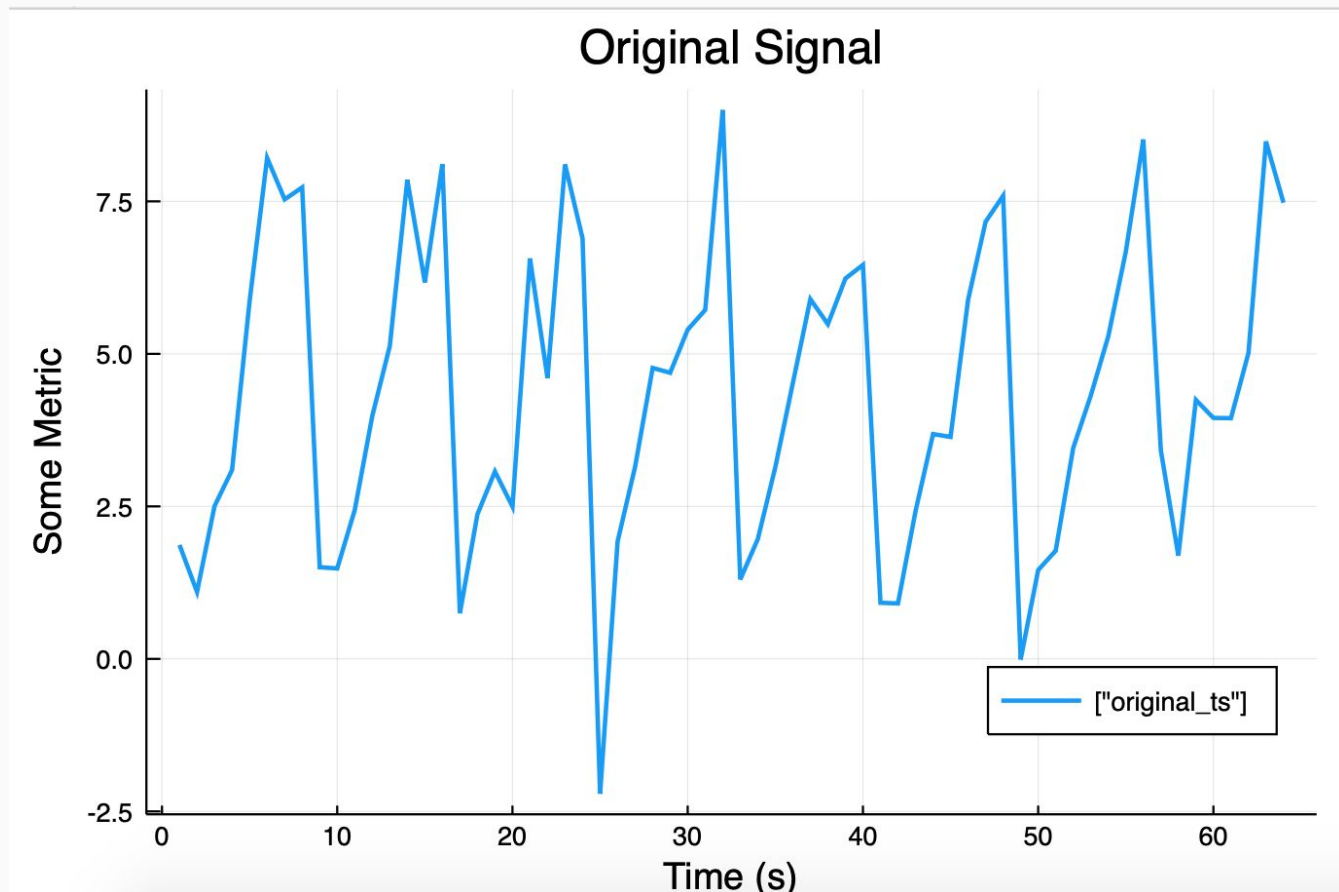
Out[5]: -1.0

```
In [6]: 1 # Normalized cross-correlation can detect the correlation of two signals with different amplitudes:
        2 # Notice we have perfect correlation between signal A and the same signal with half the amplitude!
        3
        4 proof = sum(a .* (a/2)) / sqrt(sum(a.^2) * sum((a./2).^2))
```

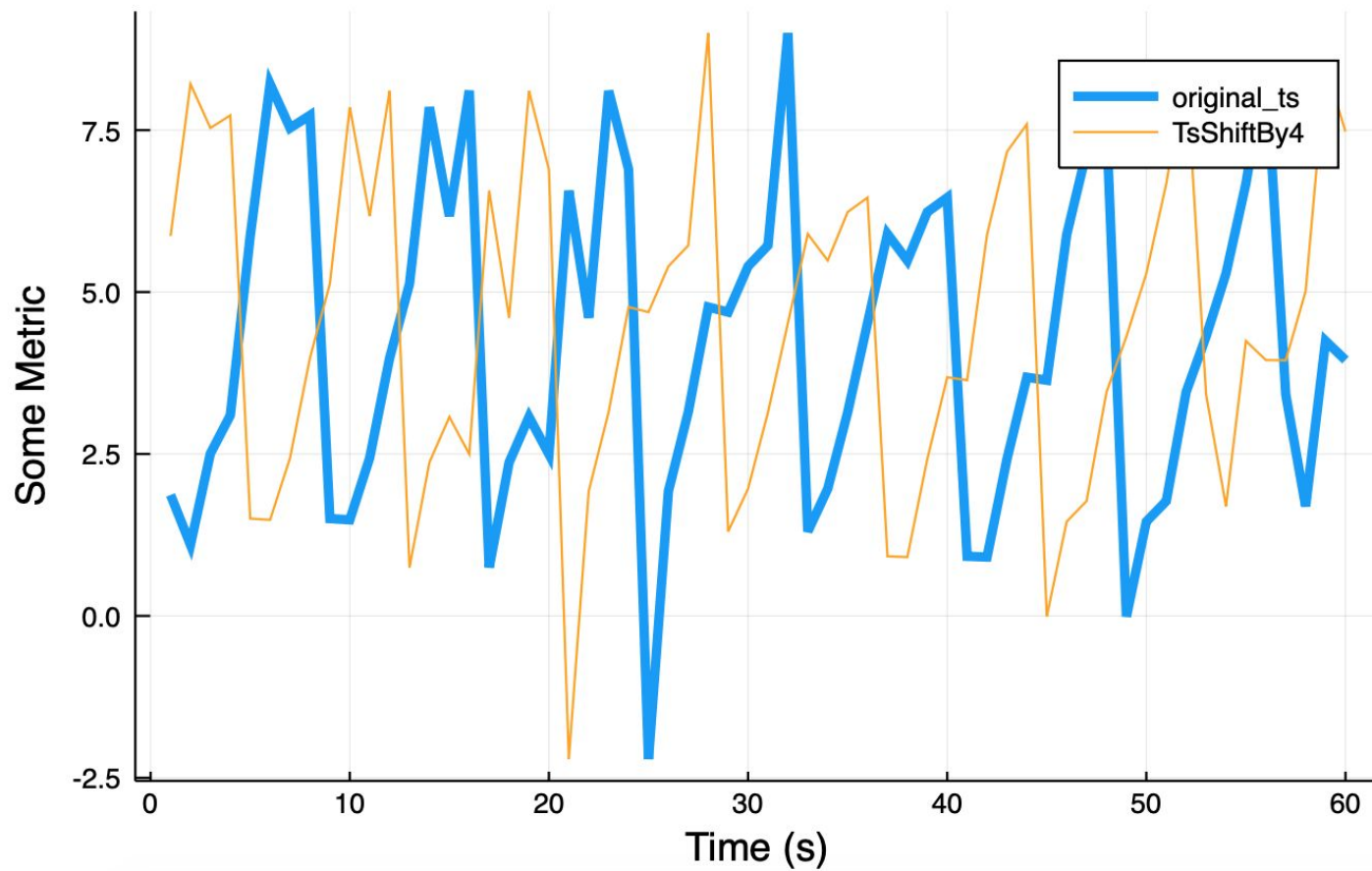
Out[6]: 1.0

Autocorrelation:

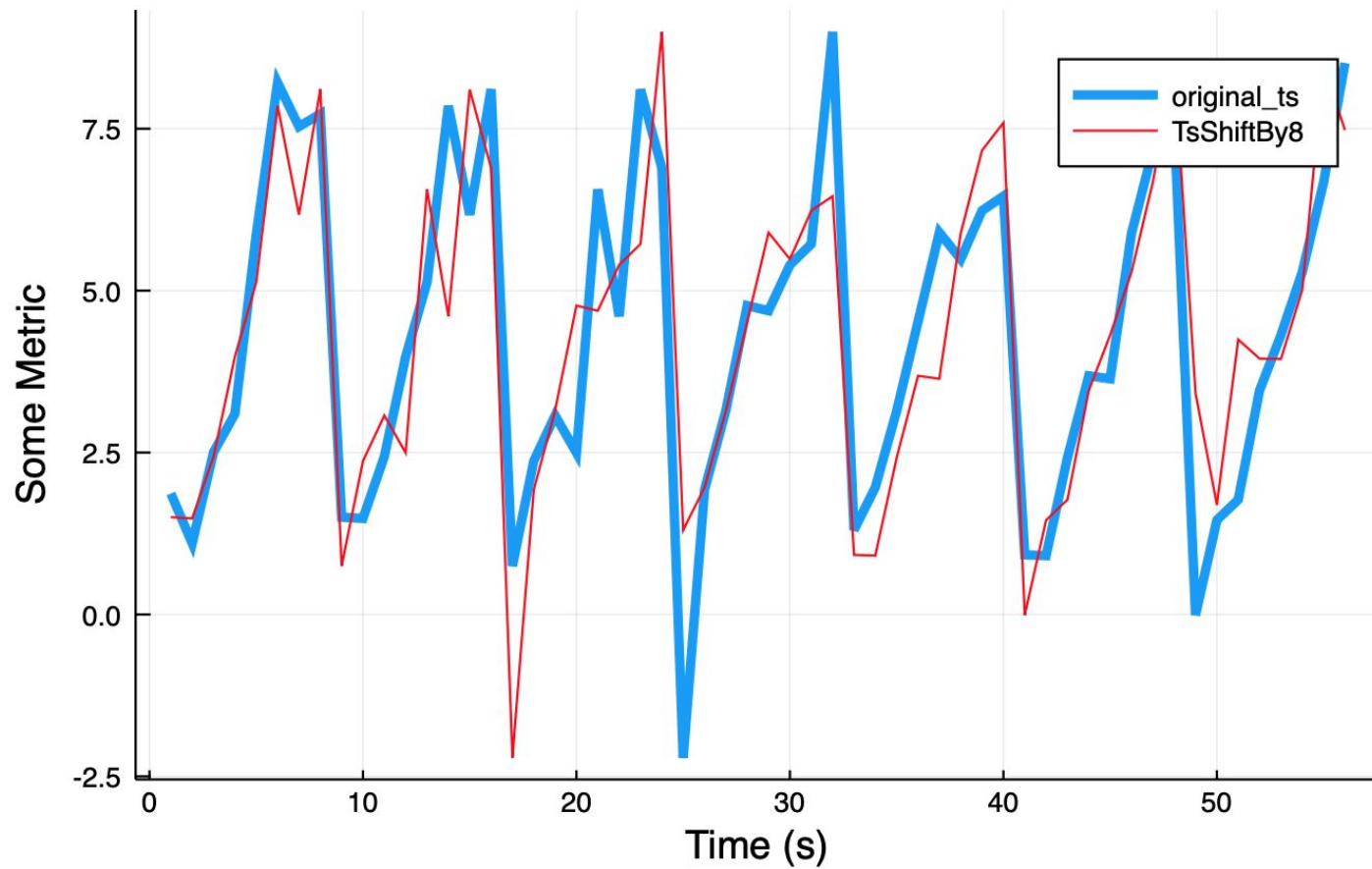
One is the Loneliest Number!



Original Signal vs TsShiftBy4



Original Signal vs TsShiftBy8



Autocorrelation

1. Comparison of time series with itself at different times
2. Auto-Correlation detects repeating patterns or “**seasonality**” !
3. Auto-Correlation answers questions like:
 - a. Can we see some weekly pattern?
 - b. Is today similar to last week today?

Unnormalized Autocorrelation

```
1  #Computing the Correlations -- here autocorrelations (i.e., multiplying and Summing the two  
2  
3  corr_shift4 = sum(autoSignalFour .* autoSignalShiftFour); # equals 948.4089186791925  
4  corr_shift8 = sum(autoSignalEight .* autoSignalShiftEight); #equals 1336.0693024826921
```



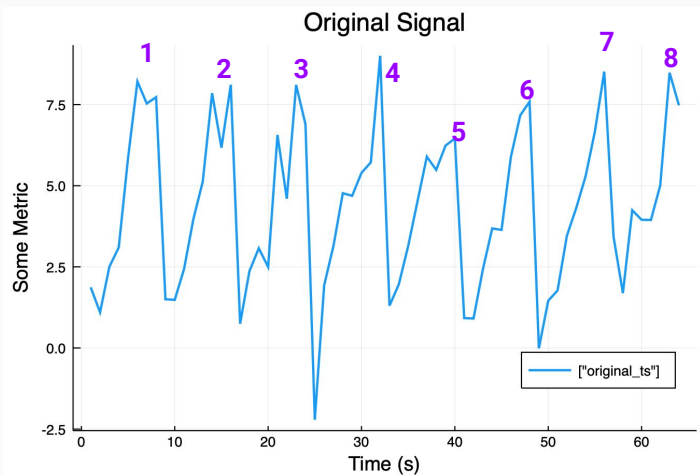
Leads us to believe we have detected possible seasonality at 8

Normalized Autocorrelation Makes it Obvious

```
1 norm_auto_shift4 = sum(autoSignalFour .* autoSignalShiftFour) / sqrt(sum(autoSignalFour.^2))
2 norm_auto_shift8 = sum(autoSignalEight .* autoSignalShiftEight) / sqrt(sum(autoSignalEight.^2))
```

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1 # norm_auto_shift4 = 0.6227933971623315
2 # norm_auto_shift8 = 0.9602671052926668 == Normalized autocorrelation makes it very obvious
```

```
In [12]: 1 rng = MersenneTwister(1234);
2 numRepeats = 8;
3 autoSignal = repeat(collect(1.0:8.0), numRepeats) + randn!(rng, zeros(numRepeats*8));
4 x = collect(1:length(autoSignal))
5 plot(x,autoSignal,
6      title = "Original Signal",
7      label=["original_ts"],
8      xlabel="Time (s)",
9      ylabel="Some Metric",
10     legend=:bottomright,
11     linecolor = 1,
12     lw =2)
```

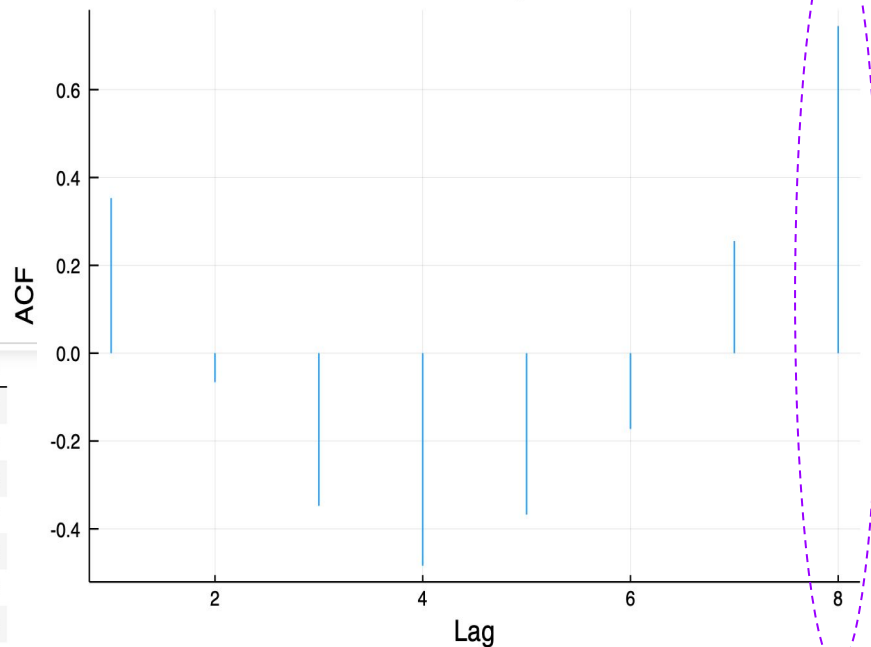


	Int64	Float64
1	1	0.353117
2	2	-0.0659904
3	3	-0.347516
4	4	-0.48397
5	5	-0.36758
6	6	-0.1726
7	7	0.255374
8	8	0.744855

```
In [13]: 1 auto_r = autocor(autoSignal, collect(1:8));
```

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15]: 1 plot(acf_df[:,lag], acf_df[:,acfValue], line = :sticks, legend=false,
2        xlabel="Lag", ylabel="ACF", title = "ACF of Signal", )
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ACF of Signal



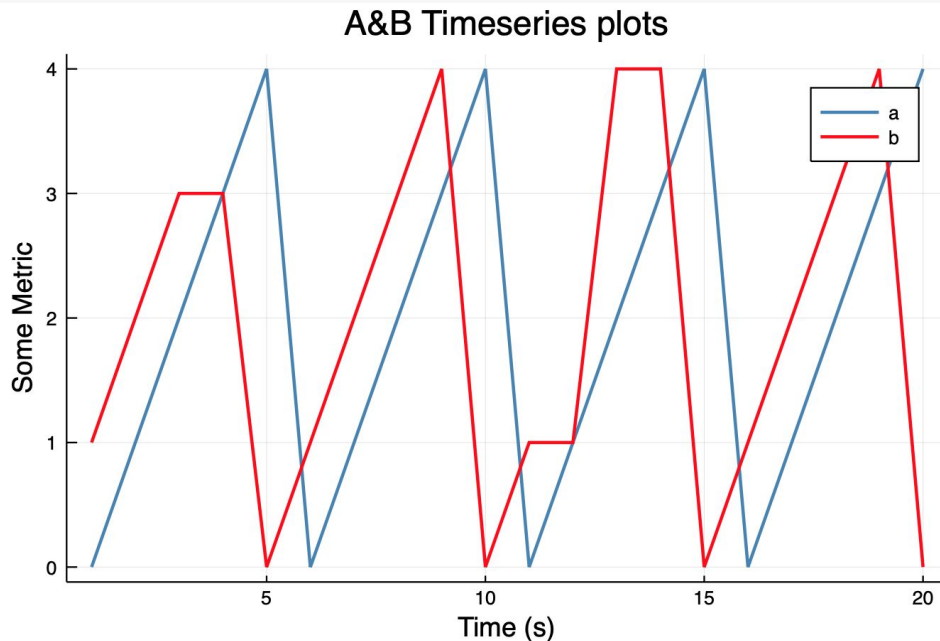
One More Bite at Time-Shifting: Back to Cross-Correlations

Cross-Correlation with Time Shifts

1. Check to see if one signal compared to another
 - a. Lags (delays) - move elements to the right (t -lag)
 - b. Leads (advancing) - move elements to left (t +lead)
2. Find the best time-shift at which time signals are correlated
 - a. In autocorrelation, that is lag=lead=0 (most energy at perfect overlap)

In [16]:

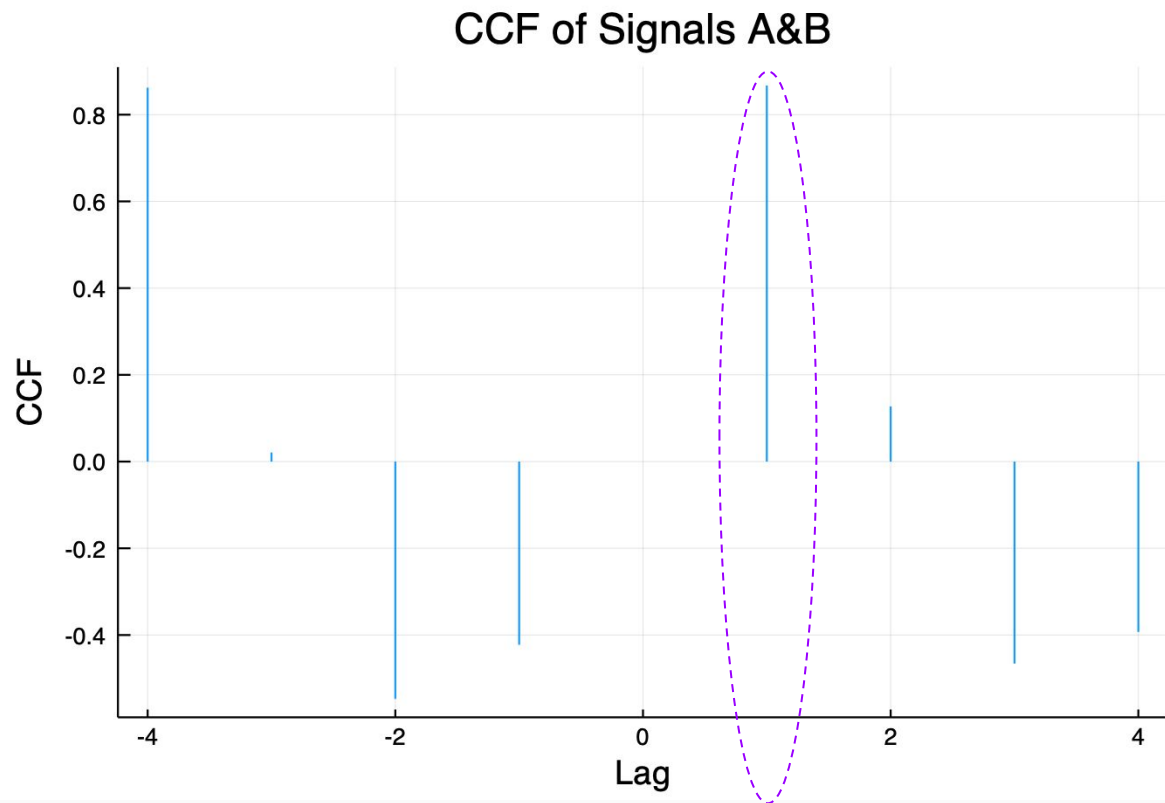
```
1 a = [0,1,2,3,4,0,1,2,3,4,0,1,2,3,4,0,1,2,3,4]
2 b = [1,2,3,3,0,1,2,3,4,0,1,1,4,4,0,1,2,3,4,0]
3 time = collect(1:length(a));
4
5 plot(time, a, label="a", lw=2, linecolor=:steelblue, xlabel="Time (s)",
6      ylabel="Some Metric", title = "A&B Timeseries plots")
7 plot!(time, b, label="b", lw=2, linecolor=:red)
8
9
```



```
In [72]: 1
          2 r = crosscor(b, a, collect(-4:4))
```

Out[21]:

	ccf_lag	ccfValue
	Int64	Float64
1	-4	0.86232
2	-3	0.0210021
3	-2	-0.547289
4	-1	-0.422512
5	0	-3.29181e-17
6	1	0.867262
7	2	0.127248
8	3	-0.465752
9	4	-0.392862



Lag = 1 => Best Correlation

Okay Smarty,
How Does Correlation
Help with Anomaly
Detection?

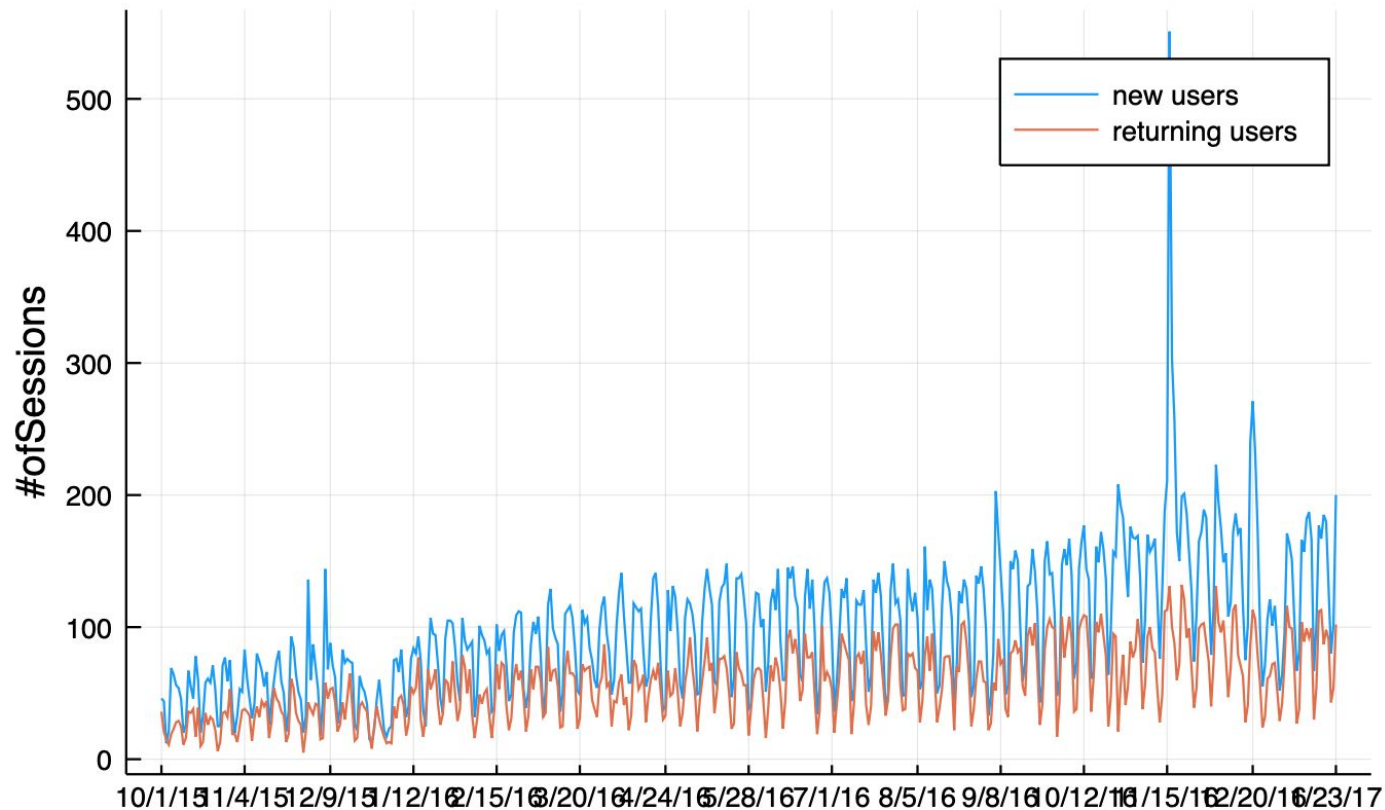
Checkout: Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

<https://anomaly.io/detect-correlation-time-series/index.html>

New Users vs Returning Users

to a website

New Users vs Returning Users

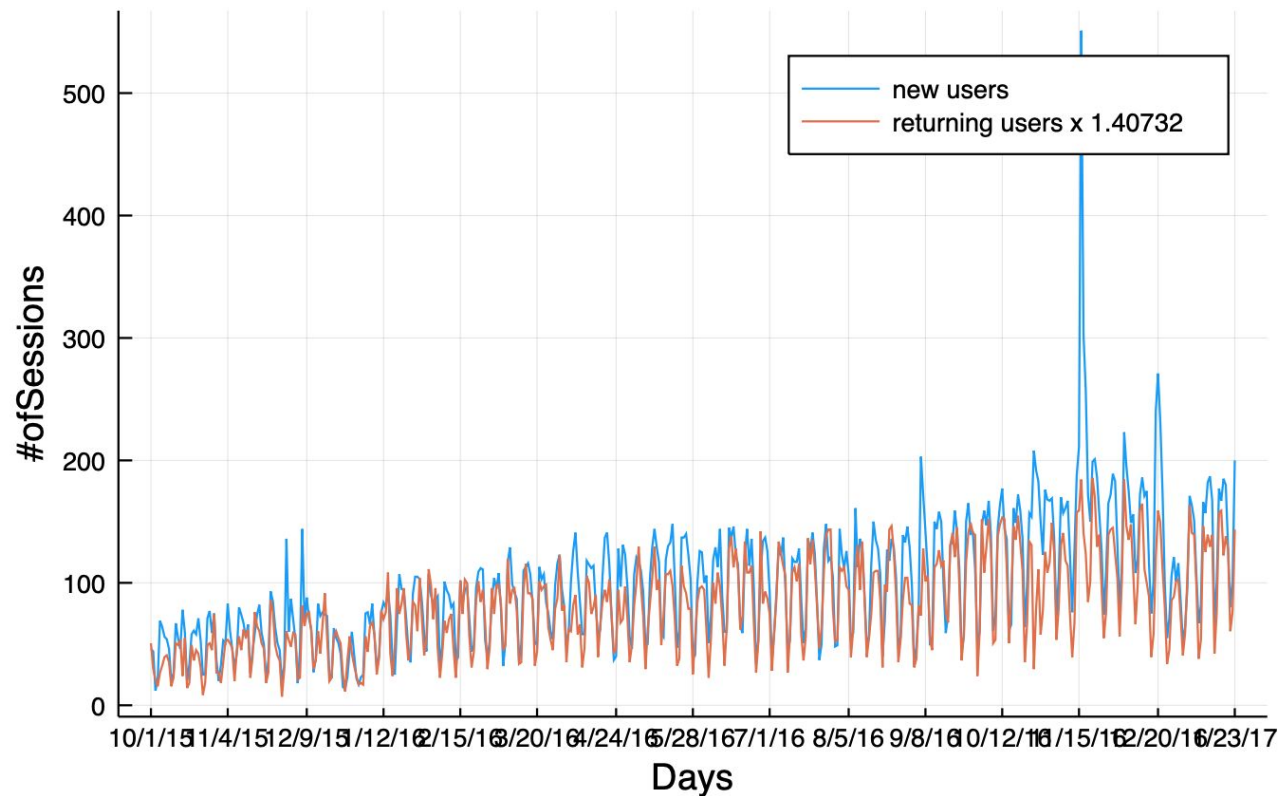


```
In [27]: 1 crosscor(new_data_df[:,Sessions], return_data_df[:,Sessions], [0])
```

```
Out[27]: 1-element Array{Float64,1}:  
0.8371268696198125
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Show high correlation > 0.7

New Users vs Returning Users x 1.40732



In [28]:

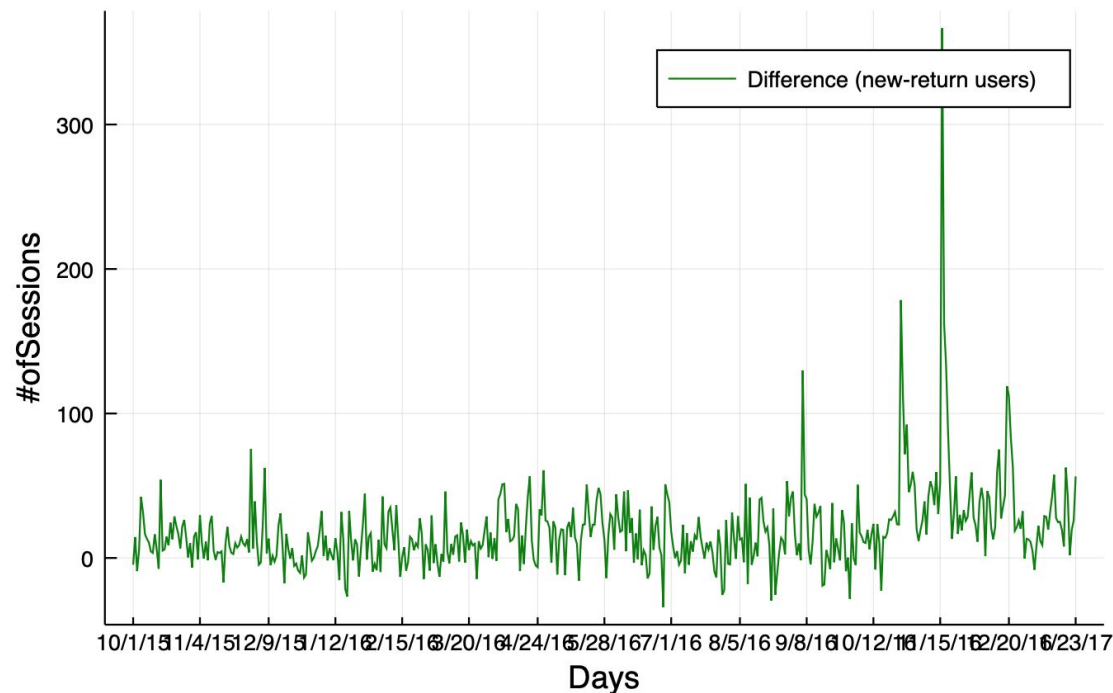
```
1 # Subtract the time Series
2 multi = sum(new_data_df[:,Sessions]/return_data_df[:,Sessions])/ length(return_data_df[:,Sessions])
3 multi #display 1.40732
4 align_return_data = return_data_df[:,Sessions].*multi;
```

```
In [31]: 1 subtractTs = new_data_df[:,Sessions] - align_return_data;  
2
```

```
In [32]: 1 plot(return_data_df[:,Day_Index], subtractTs,  
2           xlabel="Days", ylabel="#ofSessions", title = "Diff New Users and Returning Users",  
3           label="Difference (new-return users)", linecolor=:green)
```

Out[32]:

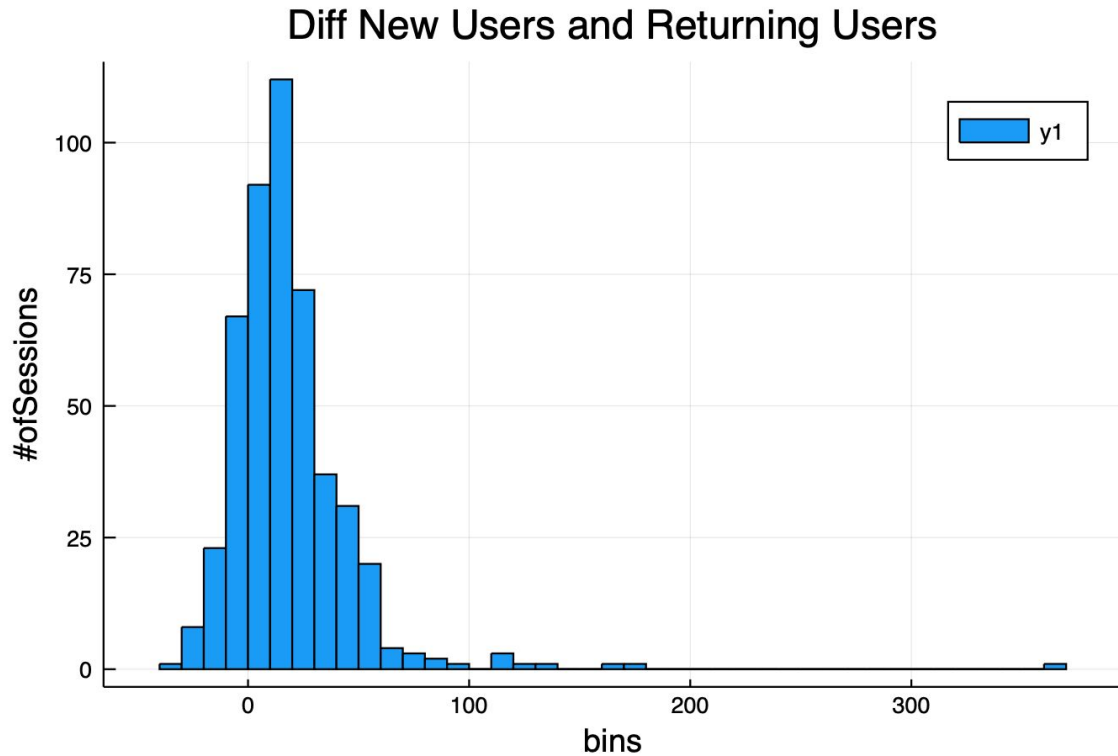
Diff New Users and Returning Users



In [33]:

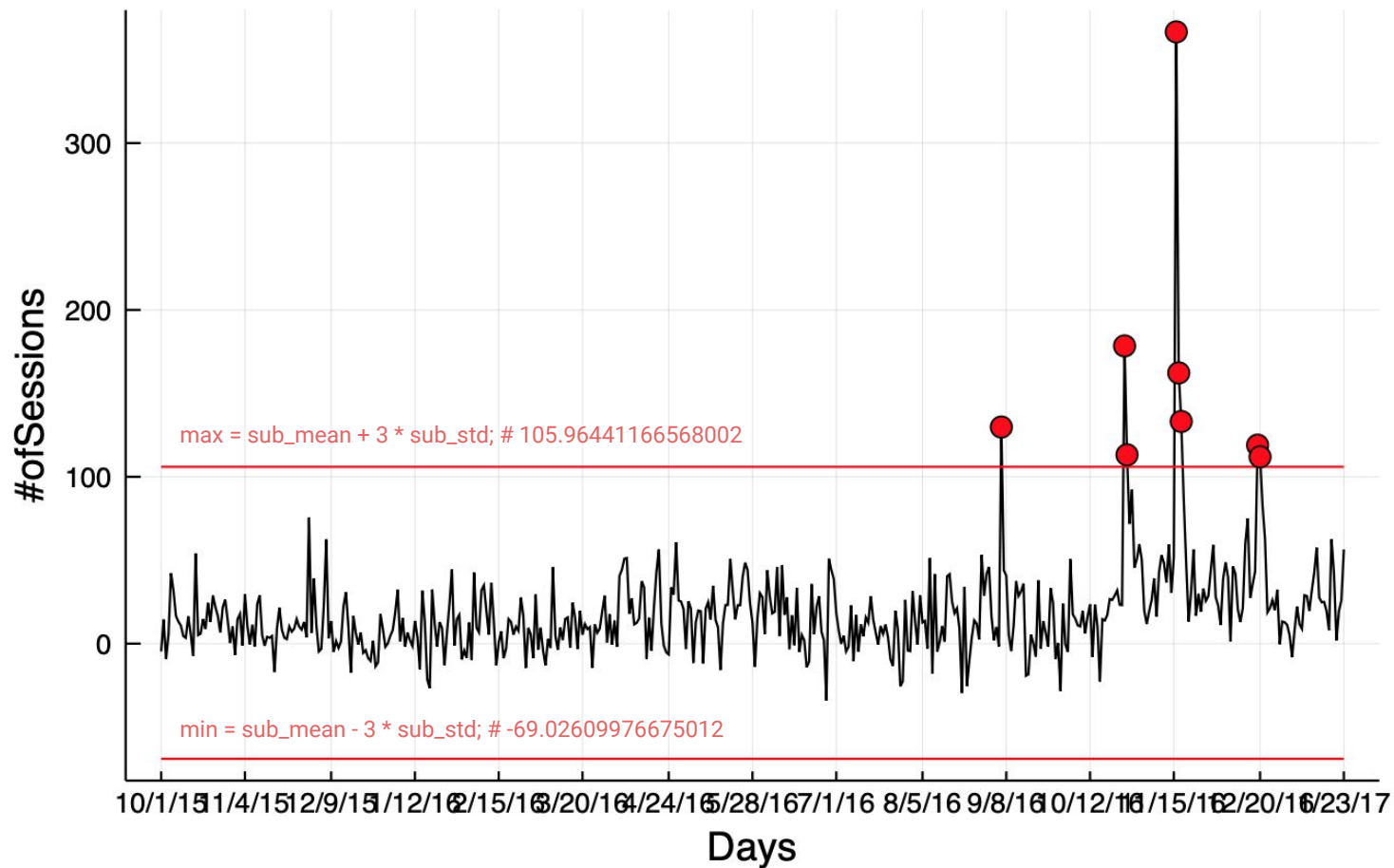
```
1 # Finding Outliers in Correlated Time Series
2 histogram(subtractTs, xlabel="bins", ylabel="#ofSessions", title = "Diff New Users and Returning Users")
```

Out[33]:



Out[38]:

3-Sigma Outliers



	index	value	date
	Int64	Float64	String
1	342	129.819	9/6/16
2	392	178.446	10/26/16
3	393	113.19	10/27/16
4	413	366.641	11/16/16
5	414	162.268	11/17/16
6	415	133.155	11/18/16
7	446	118.97	12/19/16
8	447	111.972	12/20/16