Autocorrelation and Partial autocorrelation

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Autocorrelation in time series data

- Autocorrelation is measured as the correlation between a time series and a delayed copy of itself
- For example, an autocorrelation of order 3 returns the correlation between a time series at points (t_1 , t_2 , t_3 , ...) and its own values lagged by 3 time points, i.e. (t_4 , t_5 , t_6 , ...)
- It is used to find repetitive patterns or periodic signal in time series

Statsmodels

statsmodels is a Python module that provides classes and functions for the estimation of many different statistical models, as well as for conducting statistical tests, and statistical data exploration.

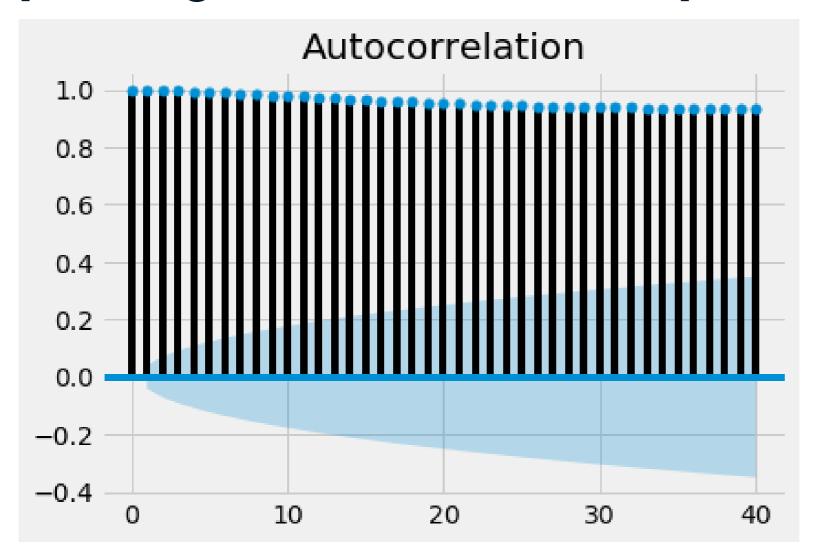


Plotting autocorrelations

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.graphics import tsaplots
fig = tsaplots.plot_acf(co2_levels['co2'], lags=40)
plt.show()
```



Interpreting autocorrelation plots





Partial autocorrelation in time series data

- Contrary to autocorrelation, partial autocorrelation removes the effect of previous time points
- For example, a partial autocorrelation function of order 3 returns the correlation between our time series (t1, t2, t3, ...) and lagged values of itself by 3 time points (t4, t5, t6, ...), but only after removing all effects attributable to lags 1 and 2

Plotting partial autocorrelations

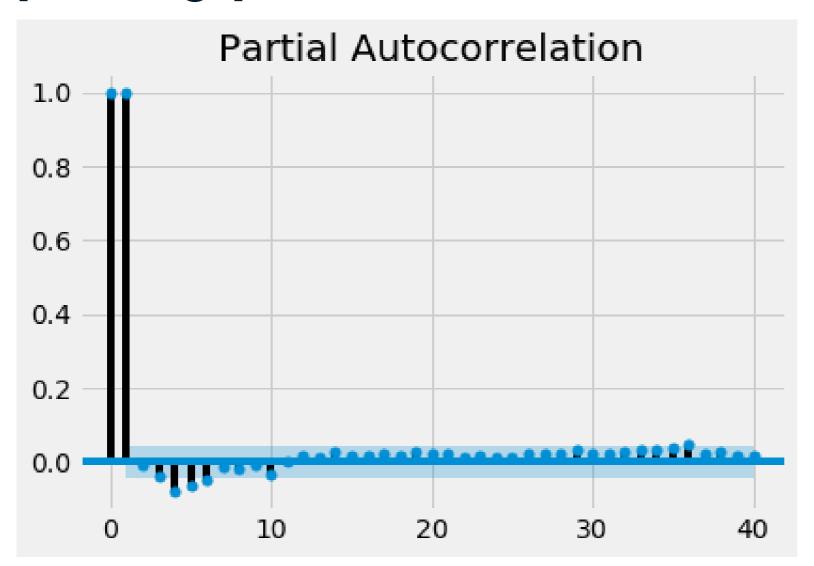
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Interpreting partial autocorrelations plot



Let's practice!

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Seasonality, trend and noise in time series data

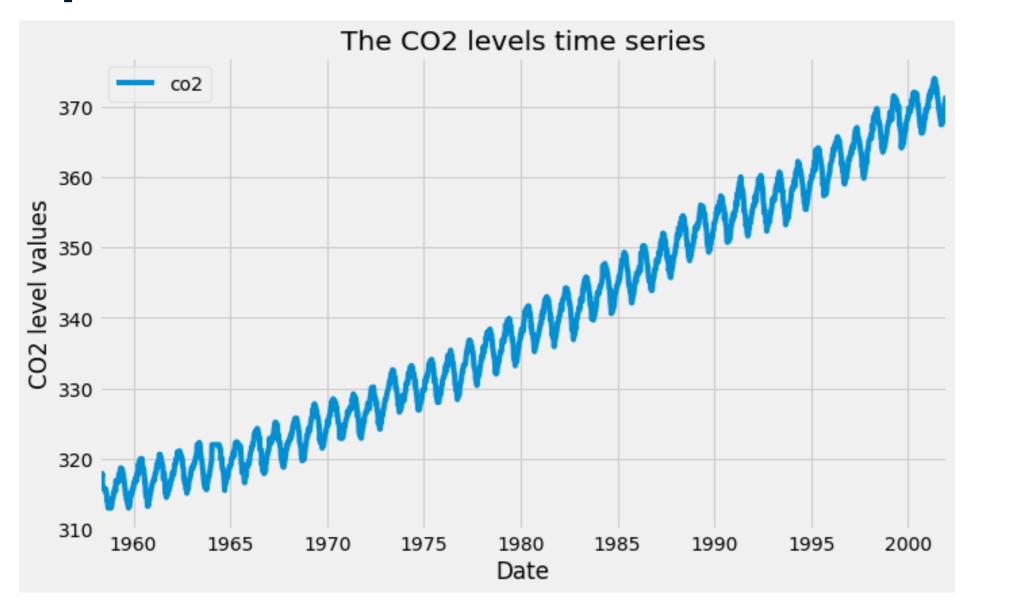
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Properties of time series





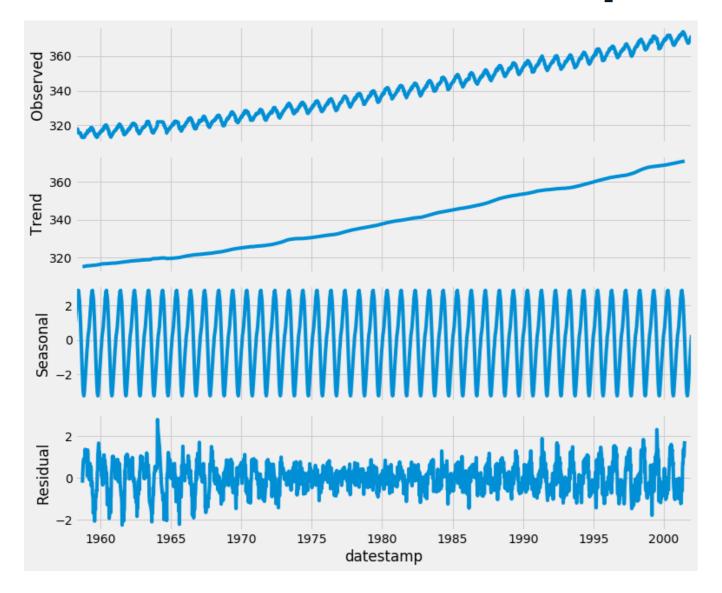
The properties of time series

- Seasonality: does the data display a clear periodic pattern?
- Trend: does the data follow a consistent upwards or downwards slope?
- Noise: are there any outlier points or missing values that are not consistent with the rest of the data?

Time series decomposition

```
import statsmodels.api as sm
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from pylab import rcParams
rcParams['figure.figsize'] = 11, 9
decomposition = sm.tsa.seasonal_decompose(
                co2_levels['co2'])
fig = decomposition.plot()
plt.show()
```

A plot of time series decomposition on the CO2 data





Extracting components from time series decomposition

```
print(dir(decomposition))
['__class__', '__delattr__', '__dict__',
 ... 'plot', 'resid', 'seasonal', 'trend']
print(decomposition.seasonal)
datestamp
1958-03-29
              1.028042
1958-04-05
              1.235242
1958-04-12
             1.412344
1958-04-19
              1.701186
```



Seasonality component in time series

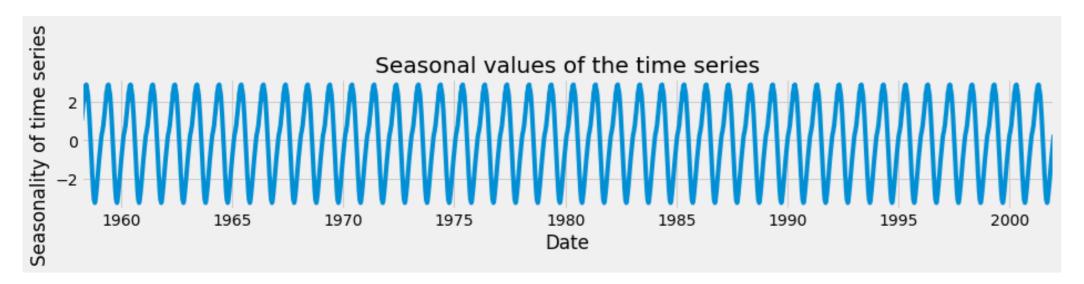
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decomp_seasonal = decomposition.seasonal

ax = decomp_seasonal.plot(figsize=(14, 2))
ax.set_xlabel('Date')
ax.set_ylabel('Seasonality of time series')
ax.set_title('Seasonal values of the time series')

plt.show()
```



Seasonality component in time series





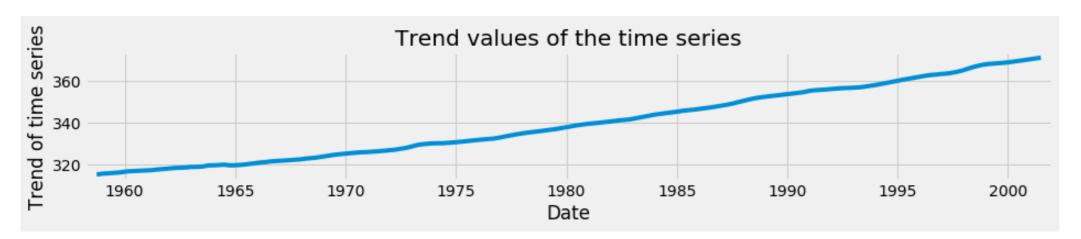
Trend component in time series

```
decomp_trend = decomposition.trend

ax = decomp_trend.plot(figsize=(14, 2))
ax.set_xlabel('Date')
ax.set_ylabel('Trend of time series')
ax.set_title('Trend values of the time series')
plt.show()
```



Trend component in time series





Noise component in time series

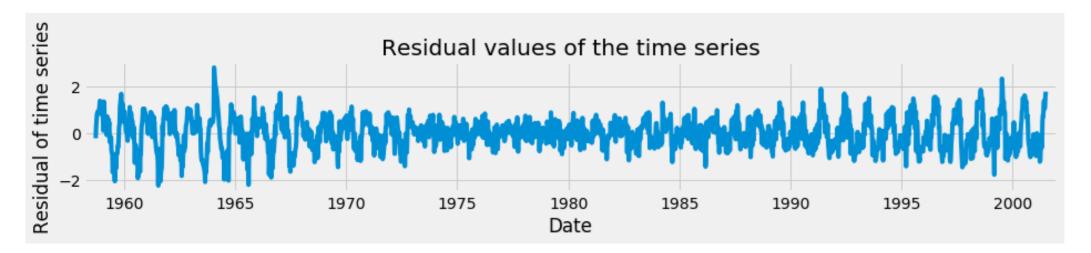
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decomp_resid = decomp.resid

ax = decomp_resid.plot(figsize=(14, 2))
ax.set_xlabel('Date')
ax.set_ylabel('Residual of time series')
ax.set_title('Residual values of the time series')

plt.show()
```



Noise component in time series





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A review on what you have learned so far

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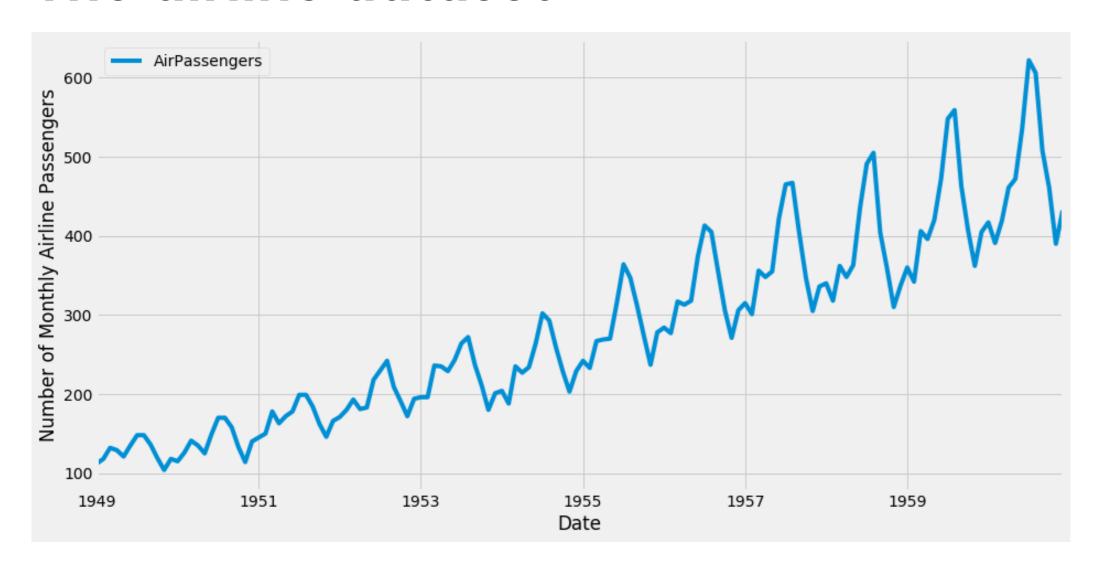
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So far ...

- Visualize aggregates of time series data
- Extract statistical summaries
- Autocorrelation and Partial autocorrelation
- Time series decomposition

The airline dataset





Let's analyze this data!

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