## Introduction to Moving Average processes

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## Objectives

► Identify Moving average processes

## Intuition

 $X_t$  is a stock price of a company

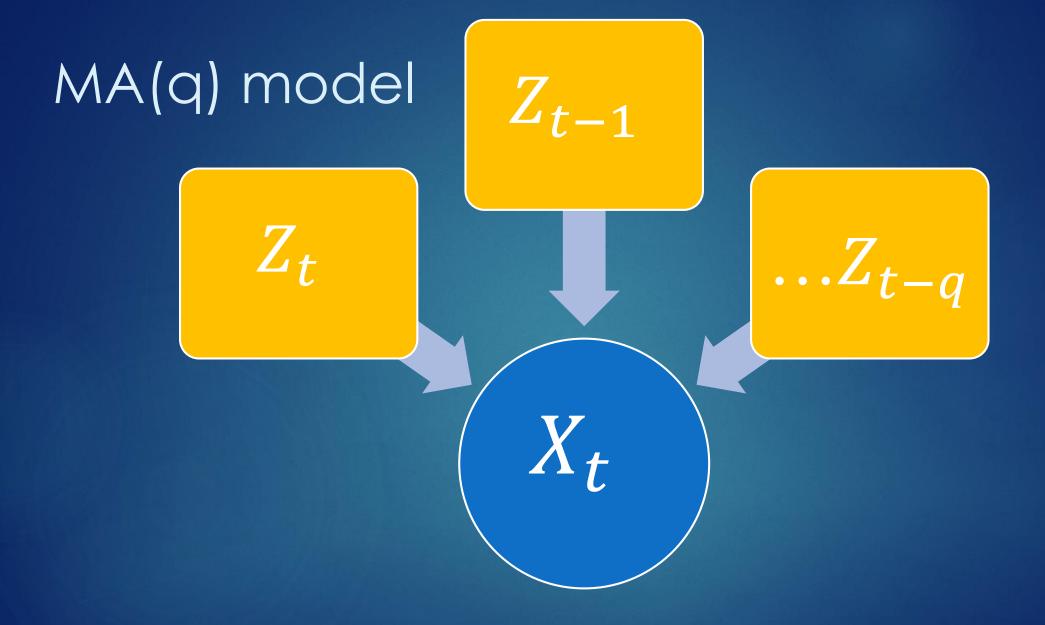
Each daily announcement of the company is modeled as a noise

Effect of the daily announcements (noises  $Z_t$ ) on the stock price  $(X_t)$  might last few days (say 2 days)

Stock price is linear combination of the noises that affects it

$$X_{t} = Z_{t} + \theta_{1} Z_{t-1} + \theta_{2} Z_{t-2}$$

Moving average model of order 2 MA(2)



$$X_{t} = Z_{t} + \theta_{1} Z_{t-1} + \theta_{2} Z_{t-2} + \dots + \theta_{q} Z_{t-q}$$

 $Z_i$  are i.id. &  $Z_i \sim Normal(\mu, \sigma^2)$ 

## What We've Learned

► How to identify Moving average processes MA(q)