

# ARIMA Method

Time Series Forecasting (Part 3)

Lecture Video Slides

# Autocorrelation

- Can lagged data points be used to predict the next data points?
- Lag  $k$ :  $k$  period behind
- Example for monthly data:
  - Latest data is Jan 2022, Lag 1: Dec 2021, Lag 2: Nov 2021, etc.
- Autocorrelation by lag  $k$ 
  - Correlation between the vector  $X_t$  and vector  $X_{t-k}$

# Example of Autocorrelation of Sales by Lags 1, 2 & 3.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	Month	Sales	Lag 1	Lag 2	Lag 3					
2	Jan-2013	226								
3	Feb-2013	254	226							
4	Mar-2013	204	254	226						
5	Apr-2013	193	204	254	226					
6	May-2013	191	193	204	254					
7	Jun-2013	166	191	193	204					
8	Jul-2013	175	166	191	193					
9	Aug-2013	217	175	166	191					
10	Sep-2013	167	217	175	166					
11	Oct-2013	192	167	217	175		Lag1	Autocorrelation		
12	Nov-2013	127	192	167	217		Lag2			
13	Dec-2013	148	127	192	167		Lag3			
14	Jan-2014	184	148	127	192					

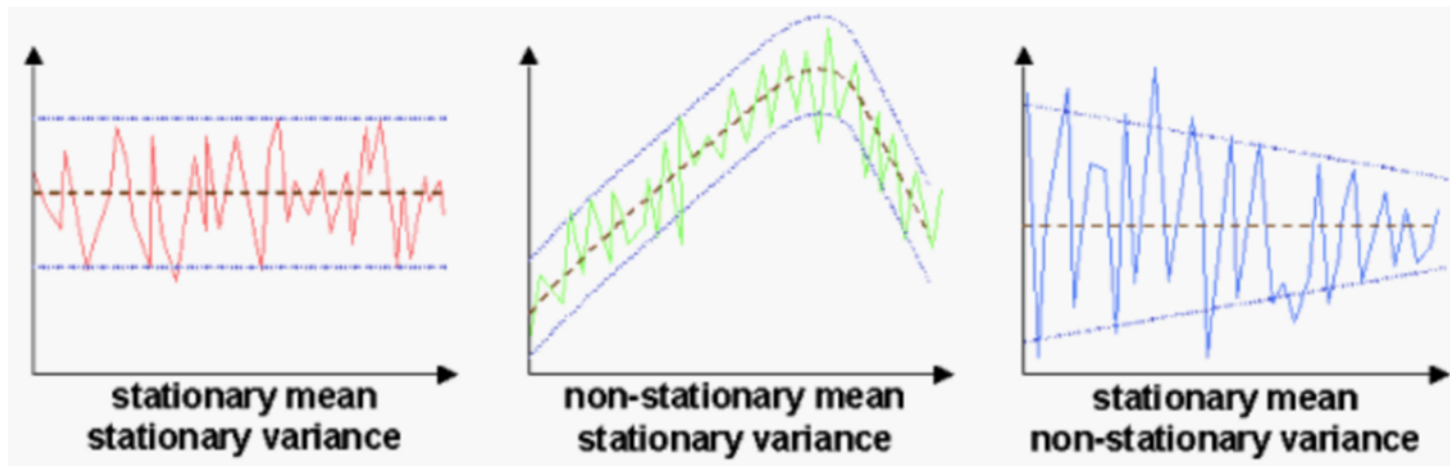
Note that each successive lag just "pushes the variable down" by a row.

47	Oct-2016	185	175	181	179
48	Nov-2016	245	185	175	181
49	Dec-2016	177	245	185	175

# ARIMA(p, d, q)

Autoregressive **Integrated** Moving Average

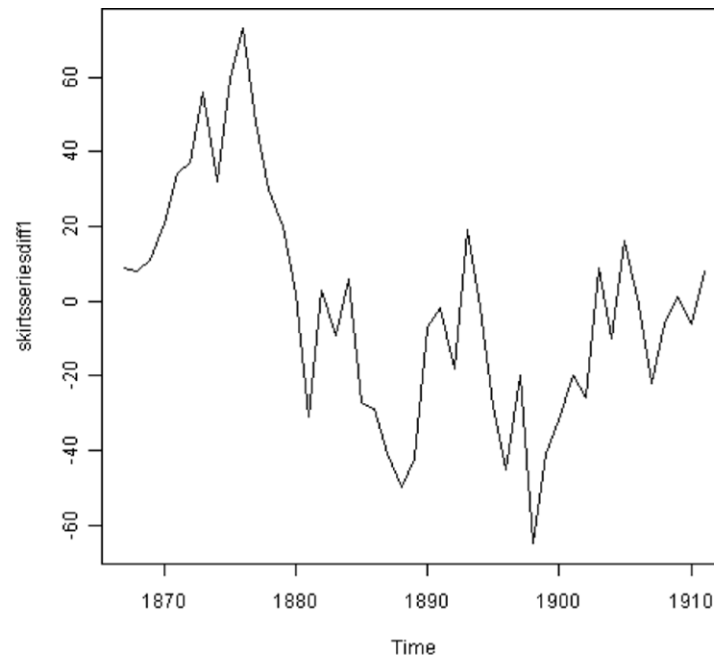
- Arima requires the time series to be stationary.
- (Weak) Stationarity:
  - Mean is constant across time.
  - Every lag has a constant covariance i.e.  $\forall u, v, a, \text{cov}(x_u, x_v) = \text{cov}(x_{u+a}, x_{v+a})$ 
    - Implies Variance is constant across time.
- **d**: num of differencing required for time series to become stationary.



# ARIMA(p, d = 1, q)

Autoregressive **Integrated** Moving Average

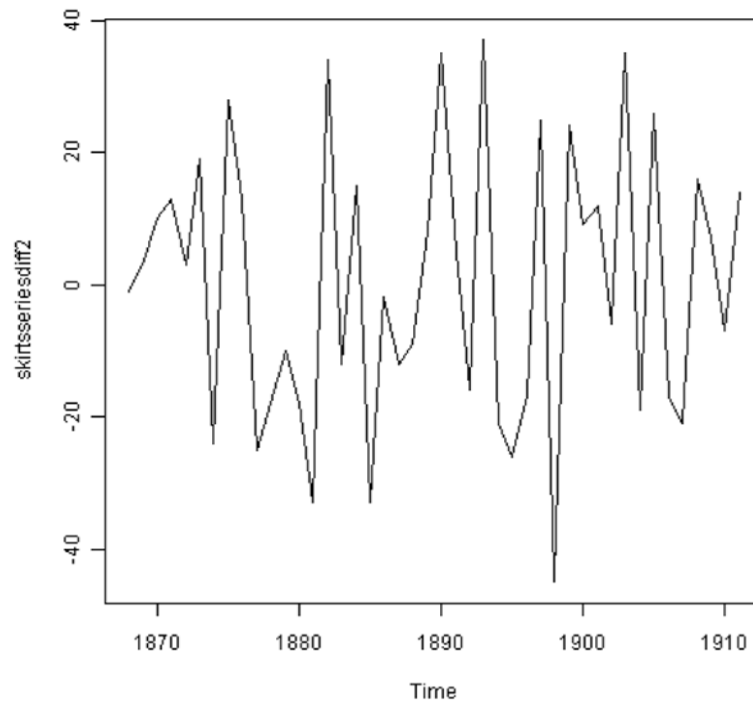
```
> skirtsseriesdiff1 <- diff(skirtsseries, differences=1)  
> plot.ts(skirtsseriesdiff1)
```



# ARIMA(p, d = 2, q)

Autoregressive **Integrated** Moving Average

```
> skirtsseriesdiff2 <- diff(skirtsseries, differences=2)  
> plot.ts(skirtsseriesdiff2)
```



# ARIMA(**p**, d, q)

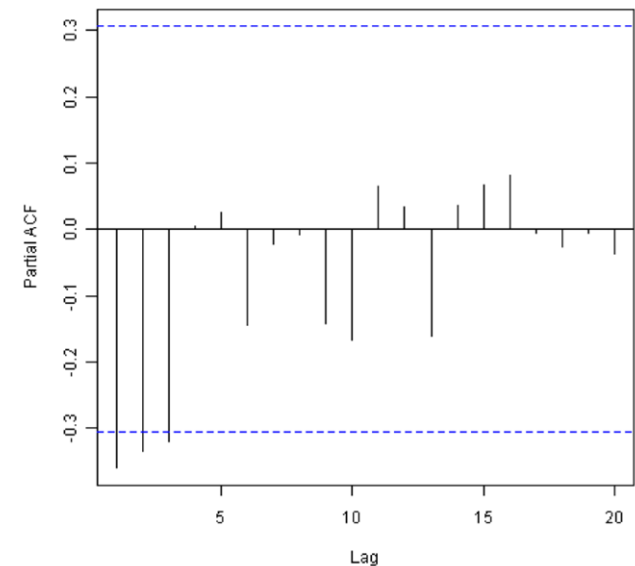
## Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

**The autoregressive (AR) model**: A time series modeled using an AR model is assumed to be generated as a linear function of its past values, plus a random noise/error:

$$x_t = c + \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t$$

Value of p estimated by viewing partial autocorrelation plot via **pacf()**.

- See Avril Coghlan (2018) p 55.



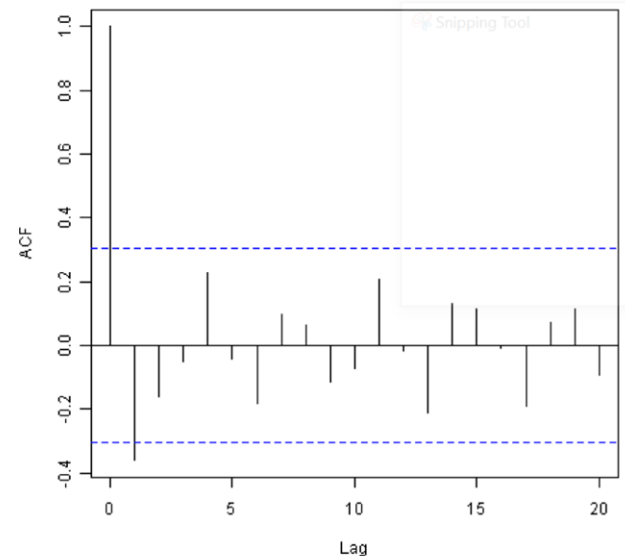
# ARIMA(p, d, q)

## Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

**The moving average (MA) model:** A time series modeled using a moving average model, denoted with  $MA(q)$ , is assumed to be generated as a linear function of the last  $q+1$  random shocks generated by  $\varepsilon_i$ , a univariate *white noise process*:

$$x_t = \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q \varepsilon_{t-q}$$

Value of  $q$  estimated by viewing autocorrelation plot via `acf()`.  
- See Avril Coghlan (2018) p 54.





# ARIMA( $p, d, q$ )

- First take the  $d$  differences to get stationary time series.
- Then, model the stationary time series using  $p$  previous data values and  $q$  previous random noise.

# ARIMA(p, d, q)

Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

- Instead of using eye power to view charts and then decide on p, d, q, shortcut in R:

## **Shortcut: the `auto.arima()` function**

The `auto.arima()` function can be used to find the appropriate ARIMA model, eg., type “`library(forecast)`”, then “`auto.arima(kings)`”. The output says an appropriate model is ARIMA(0,1,1).

# auto.arima() search for Seasonal terms too, if significant. i.e. SARIMA.

A seasonal ARIMA model is formed by including additional seasonal terms in the ARIMA models we have seen so far. It is written as follows:

$$\text{ARIMA} \quad \underbrace{(p, d, q)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Non-seasonal part} \\ \text{of the model}}} \quad \underbrace{(P, D, Q)_m}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Seasonal part of} \\ \text{of the model}}}$$

where  $m$  = number of observations per year. We use uppercase notation for the seasonal parts of the model, and lowercase notation for the non-seasonal parts of the model.

# ARIMA(p, d, q)

## Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

- Estimate the parameters of an ARIMA(p,d,q) model using the “arima()” function **if you want to specify the order directly.**

```
> kingstimeseriesarima <- arima(kingstimeseries, order=c(0,1,1)) # fit an ARIMA(0,1,  
↪1) model  
> kingstimeseriesarima  
ARIMA(0,1,1)  
Coefficients:  
      ma1  
    -0.7218  
s.e.    0.1208  
sigma^2 estimated as 230.4:  log likelihood = -170.06  
AIC = 344.13   AICc = 344.44   BIC = 347.56
```

# Summary

- Forecasting is inherently extrapolation, unlike other models e.g. Linear Reg, CART, MARS, etc.
- MA
  - To estimate trend component
  - To decompose into trend, seasonality and random error components.
- Exponential Smoothing models
  - SES
  - Holt
  - Winters
- ARIMA
  - `auto.arima()` to get non-seasonal and seasonal  $p$ ,  $d$ ,  $q$ .
- Train-test split to follow time sequence
- Industry Practice
  - Model is just a baseline forecast
  - Adjust based on new data and new events.