

Kericho

greyhypotheses

The set of external functions used thus far - relative to, therefore based in, GitHub repository [premodelling/time](#) - are

```
sys.source(file = 'R/kericho/StudyData.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())

sys.source(file = 'R/kericho/problems/explore/ExplorationGraph.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())
sys.source(file = 'R/kericho/problems/rainfall/Graphs.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())
sys.source(file = 'R/kericho/problems/specified/PredictionsGraph.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())

sys.source(file = 'R/functions/TimeDependentLag.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())

sys.source(file = 'docs/programme/mathematics/auxiliary_function.R',
           envir = knitr::knit_global())
```

Data Set-up

The original data set, with appended time dependent variables, is

```
'data.frame': 310 obs. of 11 variables:
 $ Year   : int  1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 ...
 $ Month  : Ord.factor w/ 12 levels "Jan"<"Feb"<"Mar"<...: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ Cases  : int   25 25 20 30 18 18 15 15 10 20 ...
 $ Rain   : num   3.7 3.2 5.6 8.3 8.1 5.4 5.5 6.1 5.7 5.6 ...
 $ minT   : num  11.8 11.3 10.9 12 10.9 11.4 10.2 10.1 10.2 11.1 ...
 $ maxT   : num   24 23.5 25.1 23.6 22.9 22.1 22.1 23 23.9 25.2 ...
 $ VCAP   : num  78.5 56.6 131.9 467.6 277 ...
 $ CasesLN: num   3.22 3.22 3 3.4 2.89 ...
 $ datestr: chr   "1979-01" "1979-02" "1979-03" "1979-04" ...
 $ date   : Date, format: "1979-01-01" "1979-02-01" ...
 $ time   : num   0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ...
```

Explore

An exploration of the relationship between $\ln(\text{cases})$ and maximum temperature, minimum temperature, and rain.

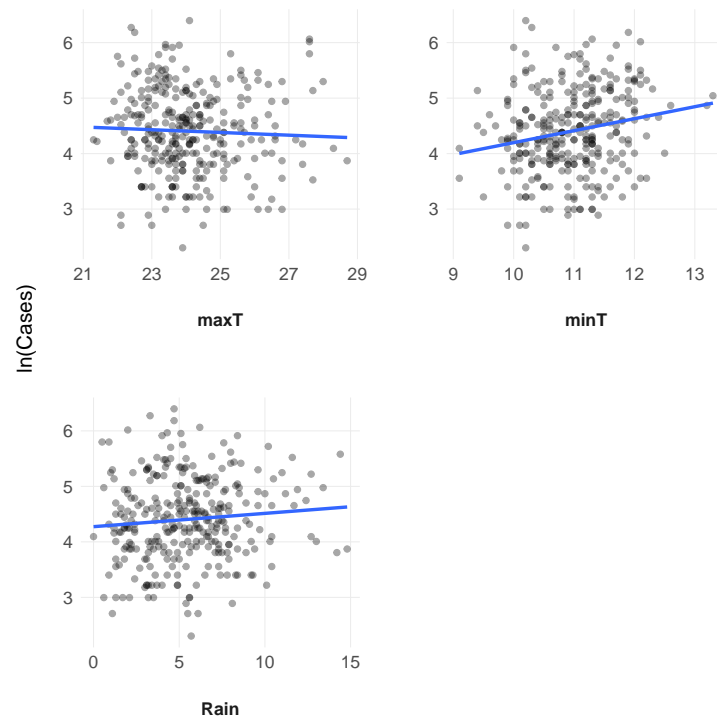


Figure 1: the relationship between $\ln(\text{cases})$ and maximum temperature, minimum temperature, and rain

Rainfall

The function *TimeDependentLag()* creates lagged fields. Hence, expression

```
dataset <- TimeDependentLag(
  frame = instances, frame.date = 'date', frame.date.granularity = 'month',
  variables = 'Rain', lags = seq(from = 0, to = 4) )
```

creates lagged rainfall series; appended to the original data set.

```
# A tibble: 6 x 16
  Year Month Cases Rain minT maxT VCAP CasesLN datestr date time
<int> <ord> <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <date> <dbl>
1 1979 Jan     25  3.7 11.8 24   78.5  3.22 1979-01 1979-01-01 0
2 1979 Feb     25  3.2 11.3 23.5 56.6  3.22 1979-02 1979-02-01 1
3 1979 Mar     20  5.6 10.9 25.1 132.  3.00 1979-03 1979-03-01 2
4 1979 Apr     30  8.3 12   23.6 468.  3.40 1979-04 1979-04-01 3
5 1979 May     18  8.1 10.9 22.9 277.  2.89 1979-05 1979-05-01 4
6 1979 Jun     18  5.4 11.4 22.1 132.  2.89 1979-06 1979-06-01 5
# ... with 5 more variables: rain_lag_0 <dbl>, rain_lag_1 <dbl>,
# rain_lag_2 <dbl>, rain_lag_3 <dbl>, rain_lag_4 <dbl>
```

The graphs of *fig. 2* illustrate the relationship between $\ln(\text{cases})$ and each lagged rainfall series. The numeric suffix of each graph's title denotes the rain series lag, in months.

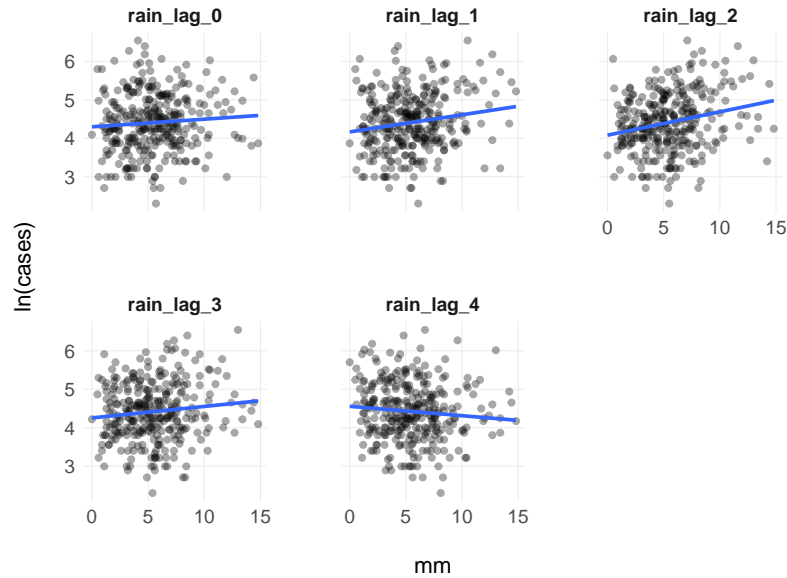


Figure 2: $\ln(\text{cases})$ and the lagged rainfall series. the lags range from 0 to 4 months.

The degree of correlation between $\ln(\text{cases})$ and each lagged rainfall series is quantifiable via the Pearson Correlation Coefficient. For each pairing the correlation values are:

```
rain_lag_0 rain_lag_1 rain_lag_2 rain_lag_3 rain_lag_4
ln(cases) 0.07433887 0.1662839 0.2280889 0.1124358 -0.09247881
```

Trends

Is about ...

Specified

Considering the time series model

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y(t) = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 I(pmax(t - 50, 0)) + \beta_3 I(t > 225) \\
 & + \beta_4 minT(t - k) + \beta_5 maxT(t - k) + \beta_6 Rain(t - k) \\
 & + \mathcal{W}(t) + Z(t)
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

for the Kericho malaria cases data, wherein

variable	description
t	time (months)
$minT$	mininum temperature
$maxT$	maximum temperature
$Rain$	rainfall (millimetres)
k	lag; $k = 2$ months
$\mathcal{W}(t)$	A Matern processwhereby $\kappa = 2.5$
$Z(t)$	Gaussian noise

The function *TimeDependentLag()* creates lagged fields. Hence, the lagged minimum temperature, maximum temperature, and rain fields:

```

variables <- c('minT', 'maxT', 'Rain')

T <- TimeDependentLag(
  frame = instances, frame.date = 'date', frame.date.granularity = 'month',
  variables = variables, lags = seq(from = 2, to = 2))
data <- T$frame

'data.frame': 310 obs. of 14 variables:
 $ Year      : int  1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 1979 ...
 $ Month     : Ord.factor w/ 12 levels "Jan"<"Feb"<"Mar"<...: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ Cases     : int  25 25 20 30 18 18 15 15 10 20 ...
 $ Rain      : num  3.7 3.2 5.6 8.3 8.1 5.4 5.5 6.1 5.7 5.6 ...
 $ minT      : num  11.8 11.3 10.9 12 10.9 11.4 10.2 10.1 10.2 11.1 ...
 $ maxT      : num  24 23.5 25.1 23.6 22.9 22.1 22.1 23 23.9 25.2 ...
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 $ CasesLN   : num  3.22 3.22 3 3.4 2.89 ...
 $ datestr   : chr  "1979-01" "1979-02" "1979-03" "1979-04" ...
 $ date      : Date, format: "1979-01-01" "1979-02-01" ...
 $ time      : num  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ...
 $ mint_lag_2: num  NaN NaN 11.8 11.3 10.9 12 10.9 11.4 10.2 10.1 ...
 $ maxt_lag_2: num  NaN NaN 24 23.5 25.1 23.6 22.9 22.1 22.1 23 ...
 $ rain_lag_2: num  NaN NaN 3.7 3.2 5.6 8.3 8.1 5.4 5.5 6.1 ...

```

Exercise 1: Model Fitting

Prior to fitting *Eq. 1*, records that have NaN values ...

```
condition <- !is.na(instances$rain_lag_2) | !is.na(instances$mint_lag_2) |  
  !is.na(instances$maxt_lag_2)  
excerpt <- data[condition, ]
```

```
str(excerpt)
```

```
'data.frame': 0 obs. of 14 variables:  
 $ Year      : int  
 $ Month     : Ord.factor w/ 12 levels "Jan"<"Feb"<"Mar"<...:  
 $ Cases     : int  
 $ Rain      : num  
 $ minT      : num  
 $ maxT      : num  
 $ VCAP      : num  
 $ CasesLN   : num  
 $ datestr   : chr  
 $ date      : 'Date' num(0)  
 $ time      : num  
 $ mint_lag_2: num  
 $ maxt_lag_2: num  
 $ rain_lag_2: num
```