

Workshop 2: the PEN

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Discrete Time Series Analysis
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Setup

Quarto renders from a blank slate: it runs code chunks *in order*, and based on an *empty environment*. That means you'll have to load any packages you'll be using, even if they're already loaded in your R session. You'll also have to load any data you plan to work with. Do all this at the beginning of the document, so the rest of your chunks are ready to run.

Packages

`itsmr` (from the textbook) If you need to install it, run the code

```
install.packages("itsmr")
```

in the console. The CONSOLE. Not the SCRIPT.

```
# Load ITSMR  
library(itsmr)
```

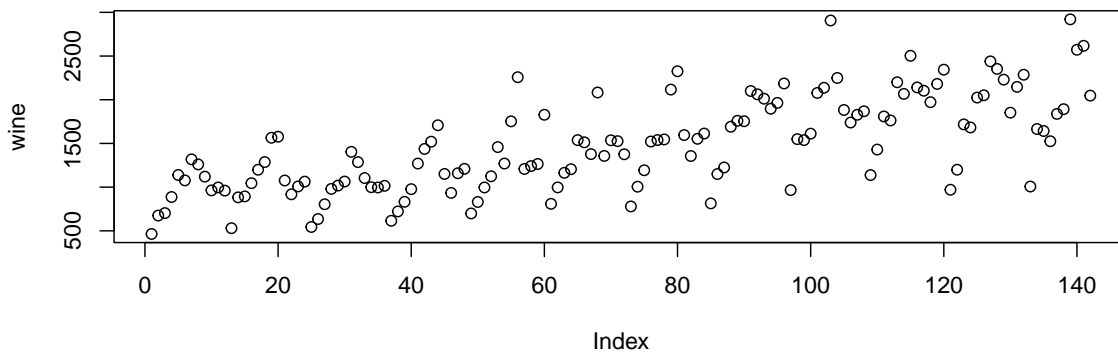
Data

Info	Description
Dataset	Happy Australian Red Wine Sales (unit = kilolitres)
Times Sampled	(Monthly) Jan, 1980 – Oct, 1991 (142 total obs.)
Source	ITSM Time Series Package

It's included with the ITSMR package, so we don't need to load any external files.

Plotting

```
plot(wine)
```



Okay... this doesn't really tell us what's going on. It doesn't demonstrate the data's most interesting patterns, and it doesn't give the viewer any context. Let's now create a scientifically meaningful plot of the data, with an appropriate x (time) axis.

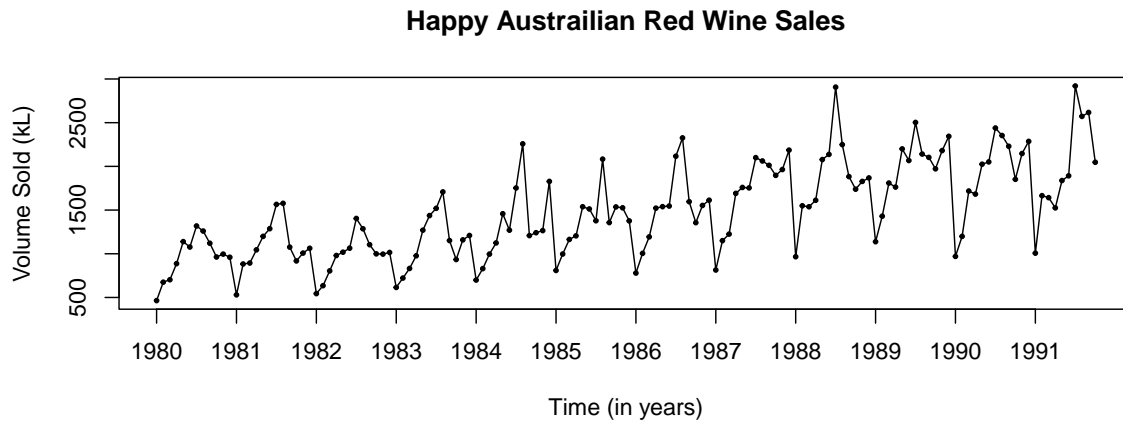
```
year.ticks <- 12*(0:11) + 1 # indicate 1 tick every January (total = 12)

axis.wine <- function(){
  axis(side = 1,          # bottom edge of plot
       at   = year.ticks, # tick placement
       labels = 1980:1991) # tick labels
}

plot.wine <- function(){
  plot.ts(wine,
          main = "Happy Australian Red Wine Sales", # main title
          xlab = "Time (in years)",                 # x-axis label
          ylab = "Volume Sold (kL)",                 # y-axis label
          type = "o",                               # lines + points
          pch = 20, cex = 0.6,                      # bullets (trust me)
          xaxt = 'n')                               # NO X-AXIS TICKS! (yet)
```

```
axis.wine() # add x-axis
}

plot.wine()
```



Analysis

The Plan

We want to decompose the data according to the classical model

$$X_t = m_t + s_t + Y_t \quad (\star)$$

Think of it like this: X_t is a pen, and x_t are the lines drawn by the pen. We've run out of ink. So now we have to get a tube of the same coloured ink that will fit the pen's model.

1. **Eliminate** m_t :

This is the shell — the *general shape* of the pen. Remove it.

What you're left with is $\hat{r}_m = X_t - \hat{m}_t$.

2. **Extract** s_t :

Remove the spring + clicky components that are responsible for the pen's *repetitive pattern* of being open-closed-open-closed.

Now you have $\hat{r} = X_t - \hat{m}_t - \hat{s}_t$ (the ink tube).

3. **Examine** Y_t :

Look at this tube of *residual* ink. How long/wide is it? What colour is the ink?

Later in this course, we'll learn where to get more ink and how to reconstruct the pen.

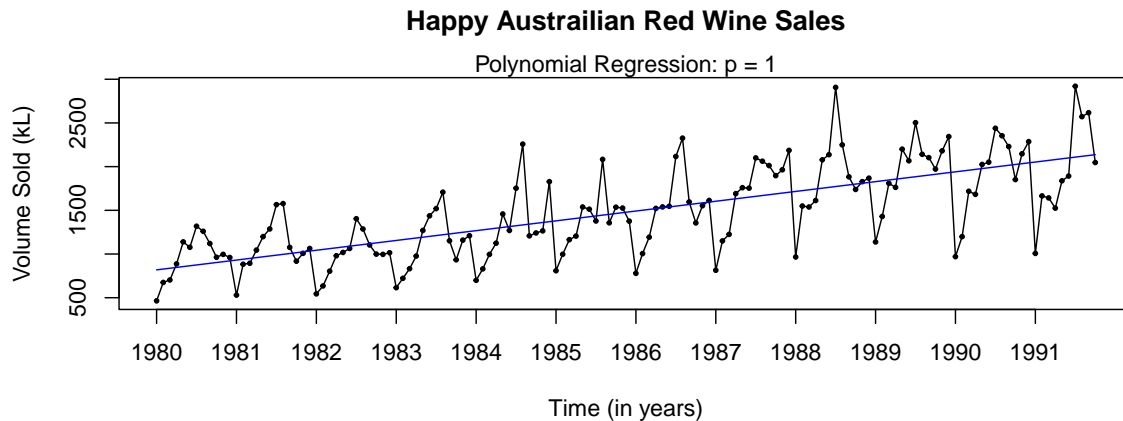
Eliminate m_t : The Body of the pen

Polynomial Regression

We suspect there may be a linear trend. Or, it's possible that a shallow quadratic may fit the data. I'm going to go with linear, that is, $p = 1$.

```
# --- Estimation
m.pr <- trend(wine, p = 1)

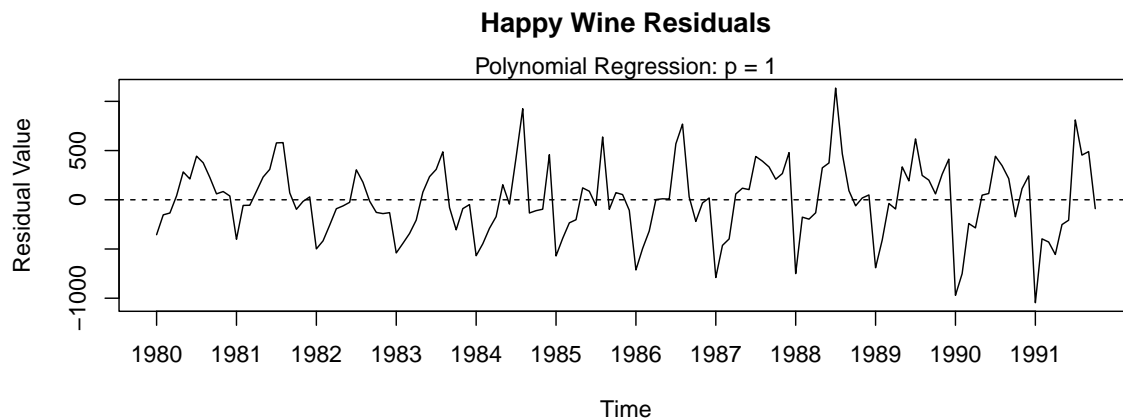
# --- Plotting
plot.wine(); mtext("Polynomial Regression: p = 1") # Adds a subtitle
lines(m.pr, col = "blue")
```



Now we need to compute and plot the residuals: $(x_t - \hat{m}_t)$. Think: ink tube + spring

```
# --- Residuals
rm.pr <- wine - m.pr

# --- Plot
plot.ts(rm.pr,
        main = "Happy Wine Residuals",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("Polynomial Regression: p = 1")
abline(h = 0, lty = 2) # (draws a dashed line at y = 0)
```



What we want to see is some kind of noisy but regular wave-like structure, since we plan to model seasonality, next. These residuals look ready to go. If there was a linear/curved trend remaining, we would want to consider a different model.

MA Smoothing

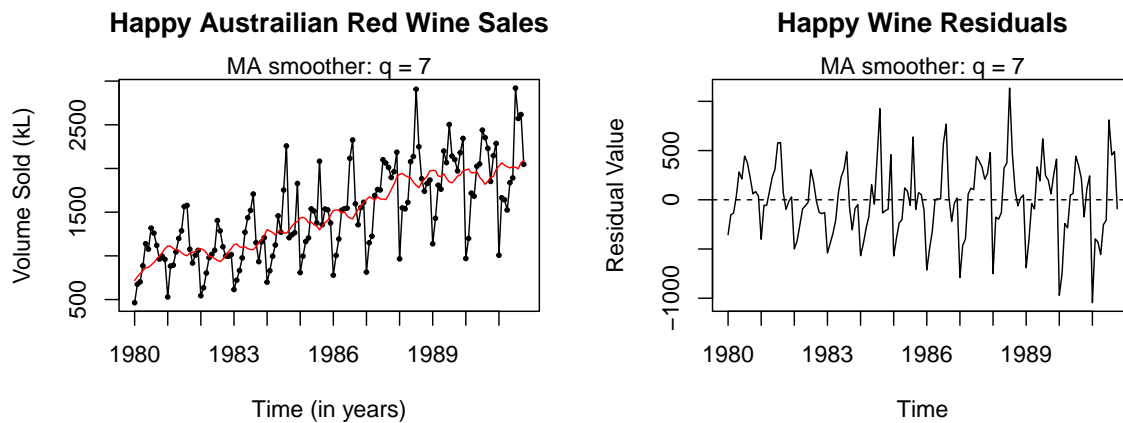
Let's repeat the same process, using a moving average smoother ($q = 7$) instead of polynomial regression. We'll plot the estimate and residuals side-by-side.

```
# --- Trend Estimation & Residuals
m.ma <- smooth.ma(wine, q = 7)
rm.ma <- wine - m.ma

# --- Plotting
par(mfrow = c(1,2)) # Matrix of plots: 1 row, 2 columns

# Estimated m_t
plot.wine(); mtext("MA smoother: q = 7")
lines(m.ma, col = "red")

# Residuals from m_t
plot.ts(rm.pr,
        main = "Happy Wine Residuals",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("MA smoother: q = 7")
abline(h = 0, lty = 2)
```



Exponential Smoothing

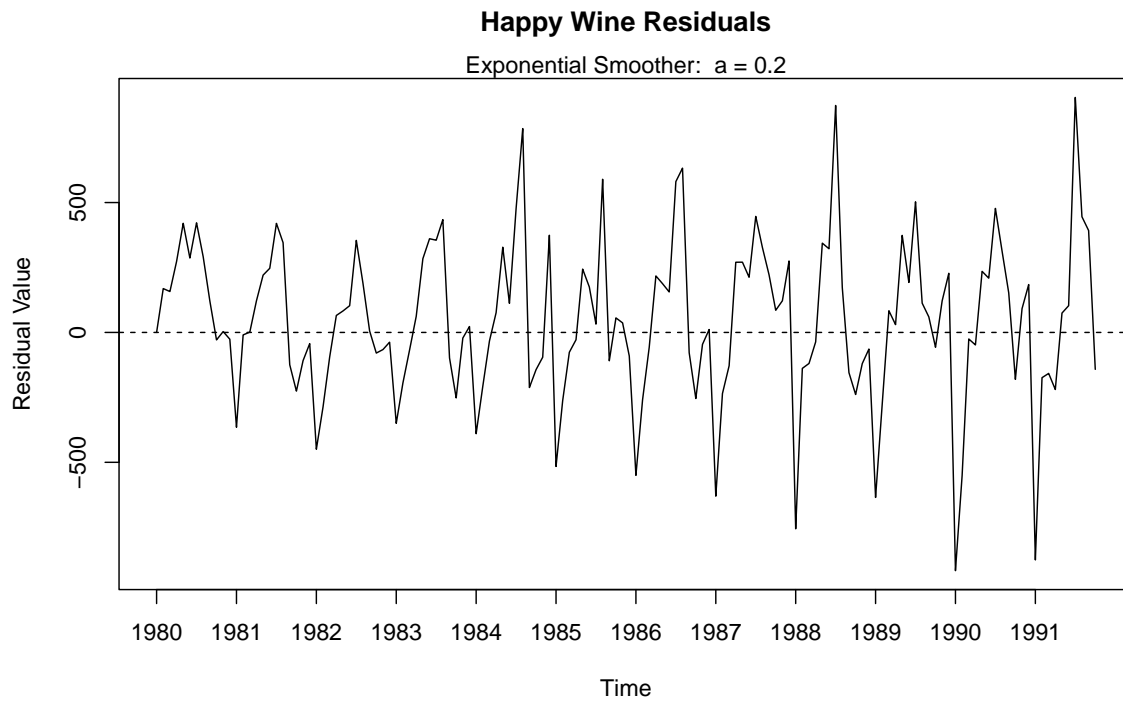
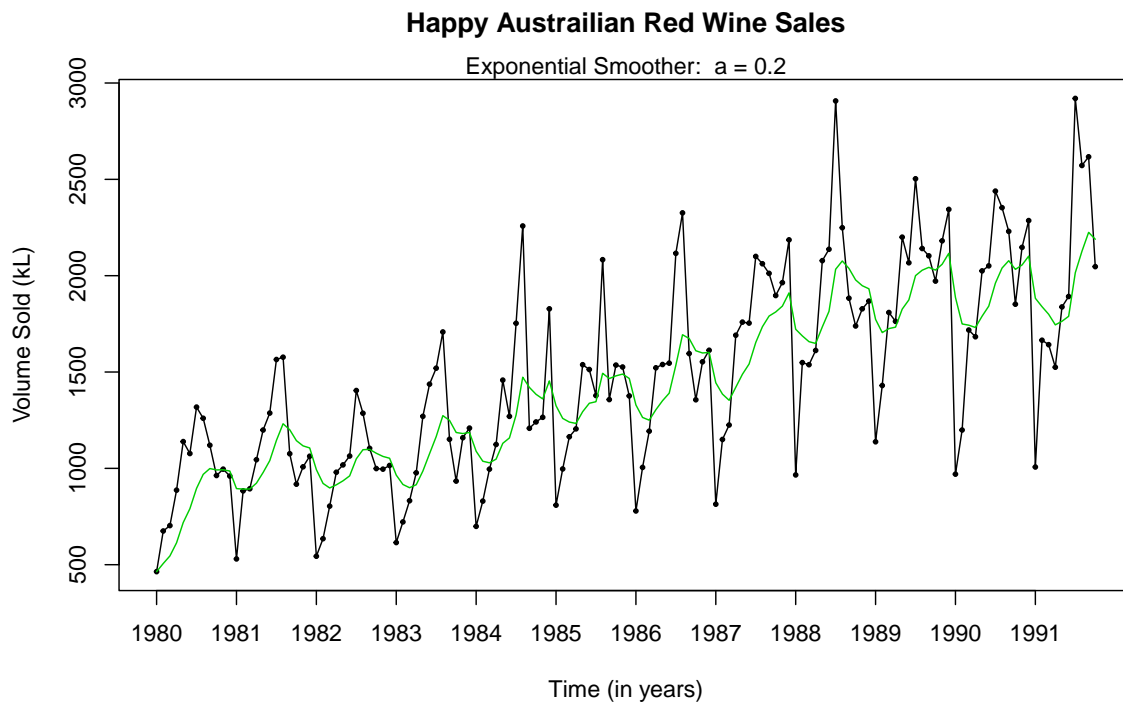
We now repeat the whole thing using an exponential smoother with parameter $\alpha = 0.2$

```
# --- Trend Estimation & Residuals
m.exp <- smooth.exp(wine, alpha = 0.2)
rm.exp <- wine - m.exp

# --- Plotting
par(mfrow = c(2,1)) # Matrix of plots: 2 rows, 1 column

# Estimated m_t
plot.wine(); mtext("Exponential Smoother: a = 0.2")
lines(m.exp, col = "green3")

# Residuals from m_t
plot.ts(rm.exp,
        main = "Happy Wine Residuals",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("Exponential Smoother: a = 0.2")
abline(h = 0, lty = 2) #
```



Extract s_t : The Spring

We apply this not to the original data, but to the residuals we got when we removed the trend. Just like how we can't remove the spring from a pen without opening up the pen. Let's use the residuals from our exponential smoother.

Harmonic Regression

We suspect there is a seasonal component of period $d = 12$. Let's model this, and plot it over our polynomial regression residuals. Are there other periods that might be relevant?

```
s.hr <- hr(rm.exp, d = c(4,12)) # Seasonal Component
y.hr <- rm.exp - s.hr           # Residuals
```

The S1 Method

Let's do the same thing using the `season()` function from ITSMR. Again, we choose $d = 12$.

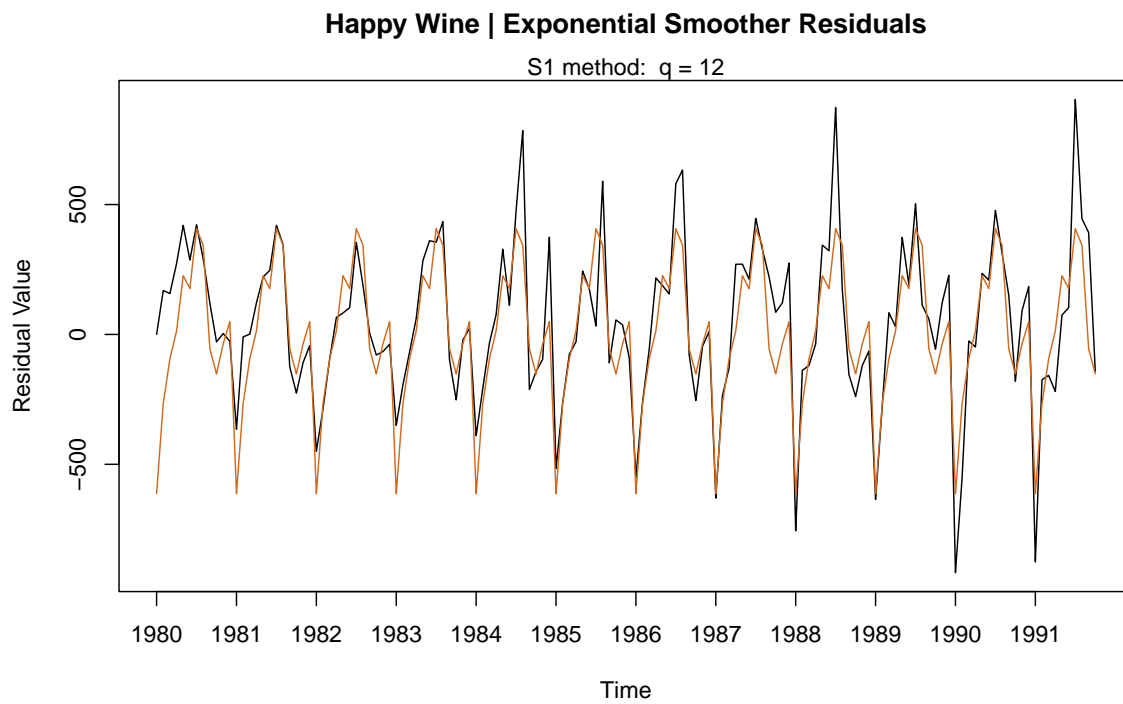
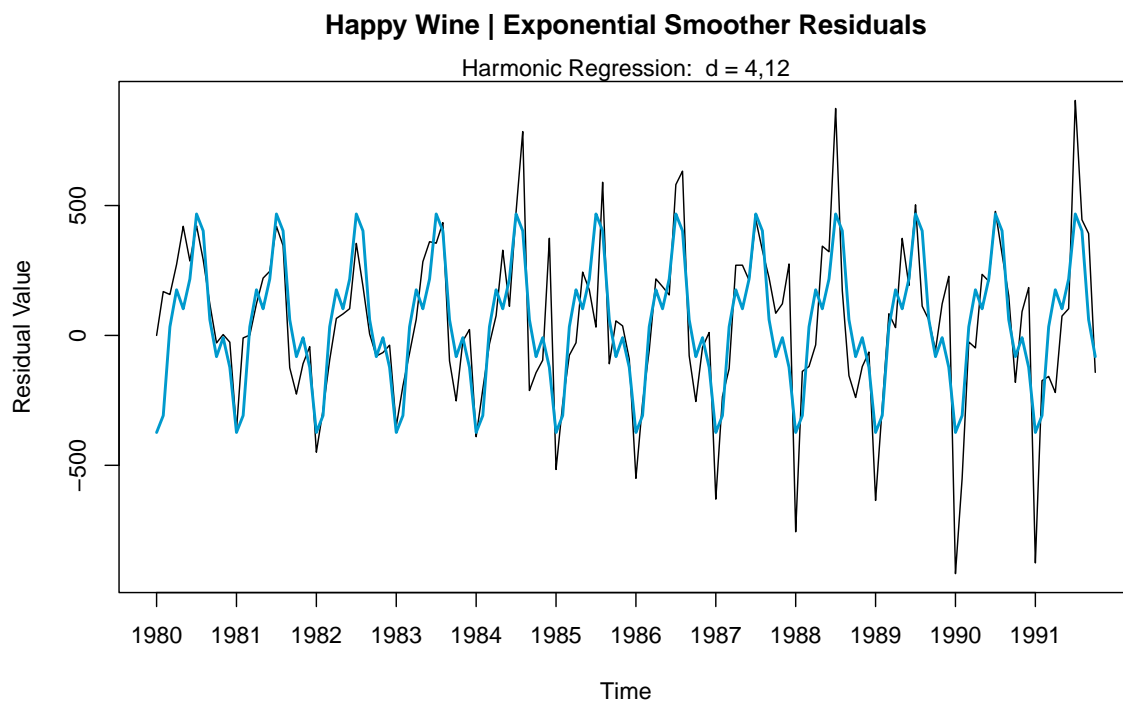
```
s.s1 <- season(rm.exp, d = 12) # Seasonal Component
y.s1 <- rm.exp - s.s1          # Residuals
```

Plotting

```
par(mfrow = c(2,1)) # Matrix of plots: 2 rows, 1 column

# Estimated  $s_t$ : Harmonic Regression
plot.ts(rm.exp,
        main = "Happy Wine | Exponential Smoother Residuals",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("Harmonic Regression: d = 4,12")
lines(s.hr, col = "deepskyblue3", lwd = 2)

# Estimated  $s_t$ : S1 Method
plot.ts(rm.exp,
        main = "Happy Wine | Exponential Smoother Residuals",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("S1 method: q = 12", lwd = 2)
lines(s.s1, col = "chocolate")
```

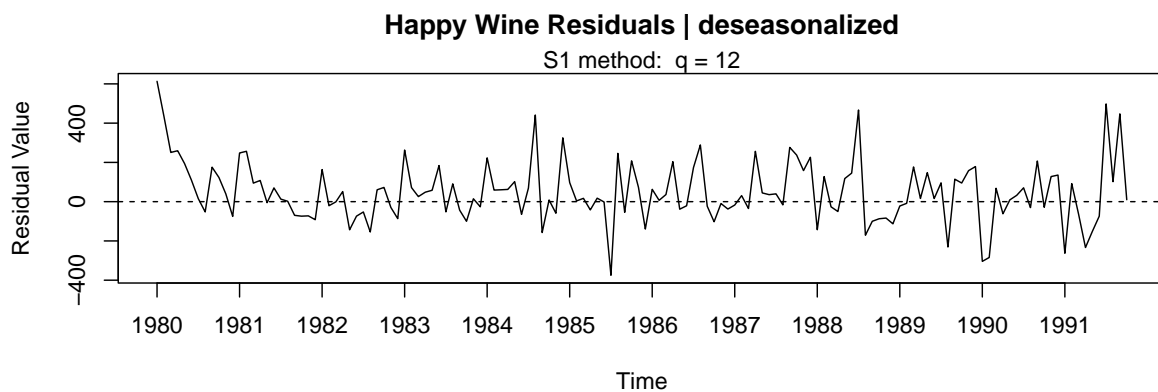
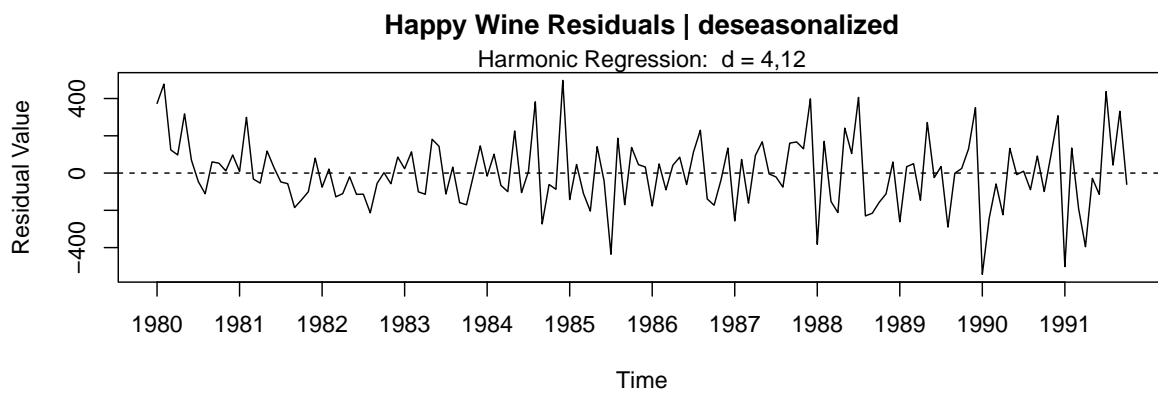



Examine Y_t : The Residual Ink

```
par(mfrow = c(2,1), mar = c(4,4,3.5,1))

# Residuals from s_t: harmonic regression
plot.ts(y.hr,
        main = "Happy Wine Residuals | deseasonalized",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("Harmonic Regression: d = 4,12"); abline(h = 0, lty = 2)

# Residuals from s_t: S1 method
plot.ts(y.s1,
        main = "Happy Wine Residuals | deseasonalized",
        ylab = "Residual Value",
        xaxt = 'n')
axis.wine(); mtext("S1 method: q = 12"); abline(h = 0, lty = 2)
```



Autocorrelation

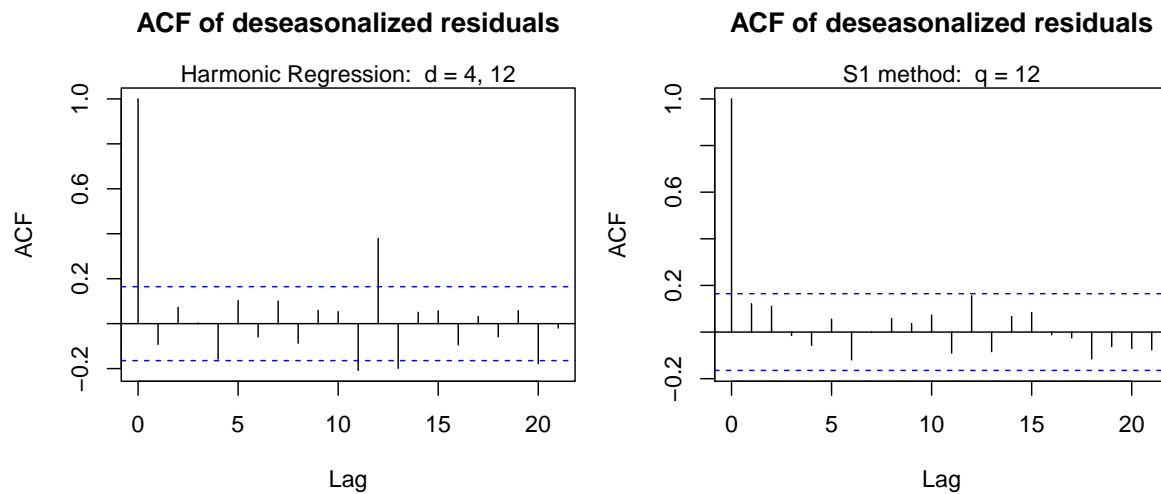
We will learn what this is on Wednesday. Basically, it describes the correlation between any two points in the series, as a function of the time-distance between those two points. Noise, by definition, has no such correlation across time.

We want our residuals \hat{Y}_t to be *noisy*. We want our pen's ink to be *inky*.

```
par(mfrow = c(1,2), mar = c(4,4,3,1)) # some optional plotting parameters <3

acf(y.hr,
    main = "ACF of deseasonalized residuals")
mtext("Harmonic Regression: d = 4, 12")

acf(y.s1,
    main = "ACF of deseasonalized residuals")
mtext("S1 method: q = 12")
```



Values exceeding the dashed blue lines indicate significant autocorrelation.

These ACFs suggest that the residuals left by the season fit are less correlated across time than those we obtained via harmonic regression. Thus the season fit is preferred.

Putting the pen back together

```
x.frankenseries <- m.exp + s.s1  
  
plot.wine(); mtext("Reconstructed Series")  
lines(x.frankenseries, col = "magenta2", lwd = 2)
```

