

Module 3: Time Series Regression Models

I - Distributed lag models

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Introduction

In time series analysis, we mainly focus on modelling the correlation structure of the variable of interest, which is created by the time dependence of the variable.

However, in some cases, it is useful to include some additional predictors to explain the matter of interest in a more accurate way.

One of the approaches to include predictors in time series analysis is to include the lags of a predictor variables in the model as explanatory variables.

In this case, each lag of the predictor variable will explain some of the overall variation and correlation structure in the dependent variable.

This kind of regression approaches is called distributed lag models.

If the number of lags is known, the model is called **finite distributed lag model**.

If it is undetermined at the beginning of the analysis, it is **infinite distributed lag model**.

We will use the abbreviation **DLM** to denote the distributed lag models throughout the course.

DLMs are generally used in the analysis of econometric data.

But they are also successfully applied in other fields where appropriate exploratory series is available.

In this module, we will

- describe the finite and infinite linear and nonlinear DLMS,
- discuss their parameter estimation,
- diagnostic checking,
- model selection,
- forecasting with DLMS.

We will conclude the module by a practical application of DLMS to a real dataset.

The R package `dLagM` is specifically developed to implement distributed lag models in this course in 2017.

In this module, we will utilize the R packages `ggplot2`, `AER`, `Hmisc`, `car`, `dynlm` for most of the tasks.

Distributed-Lag Models

When a decision made on a variable some of the related variables would be effected through time.

For example, when the income tax rate is increased, this would reduce expenditures of consumers on goods and services, which reduces profits of suppliers, which reduces the demand for productive inputs, which reduces the profits of the input suppliers, and so on (UGE).

These effects occur over the future periods, they are *distributed* across the time.

In a distributed-lag model, the effect of an independent variable X on a dependent variable Y occurs over time.

Therefore, DLMS are dynamic models. A linear infinite DLM with one independent variable is written as follows:

$$Y_t = \alpha + \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \beta_s X_{t-s} + \epsilon_t, \quad (1)$$

where ϵ_t is a *stationary* error term with $E(\epsilon_t) = 0$, $Var(\epsilon_t) = \sigma^2$, $Cov(\epsilon_t, \epsilon_s) = 0$.

As you can observe the model in Eq. (1) is like a simple multiple linear regression model.

The difference between classical regression models and DLMS is obviously in the time dependency of the X (dependent) variables.

The coefficient α is can be perceived as the general mean term or a constant term.

The β_s coefficients are called *lag weights*.

They specify the pattern of the relationship between dependent and independent *series* $\{Y_t\}$ and $\{X_t\}$ by formatting a *lag distribution*.

Notice that the number of regression coefficients is infinite in the model in (1). It is practically impossible to implement.

Thus, the DLM is an infinite DLM. A finite DLM, including k lags is as follows:

$$Y_t = \alpha + \sum_{s=0}^q \beta_s X_{t-s} + \epsilon_t. \quad (2)$$

Notice that if we have n observations of the pairs (Y_t, X_t) , then because we lose q observations, $X_{t-1}, X_{t-2}, \dots, X_{t-q}$, only $n - q$ complete observations are available for estimation of coefficients.

It is not possible to estimate an infinite number of β parameters.

One of the approaches to deal with this situation is to truncate the number of lags to a constant q .

Another approach is to use a functional form that allows the lag distribution to decay gradually to zero.

The choice of an appropriate number of lags is one of the common challenges of DLMS.

In DLMS, the parameter β_t measures the **dynamic effect** of changes in past values of dependent variable, δX_{t-s} , on the expected value of outcome variable $\delta E(Y_t)$ given that all other things helped constant:

$$\frac{\partial E(Y_t)}{\partial X_{t-s}} = \frac{\partial E(Y_{t+s})}{\partial X_t} = \beta_s \quad (3)$$

In these kinds of models, collinearity due to the inclusion of the same independent variable in the model is a serious problem.

Least-squares estimates of the coefficients suffer from this collinearity. Mostly, they have inflated variance estimates.

Let's see the interpretation of coefficients over a numerical example.

In this example, we are interested in quarterly capital expenditures and appropriations (approved funds for expenditure) for US Manufacturing firms for a given period of 88 years.

The following code chunk displays time series plot for Y: Quarterly capital expenditures and X: Appropriations.

Notice that if you change the argument `plot.type` to "m", you get a multi-panel plot.

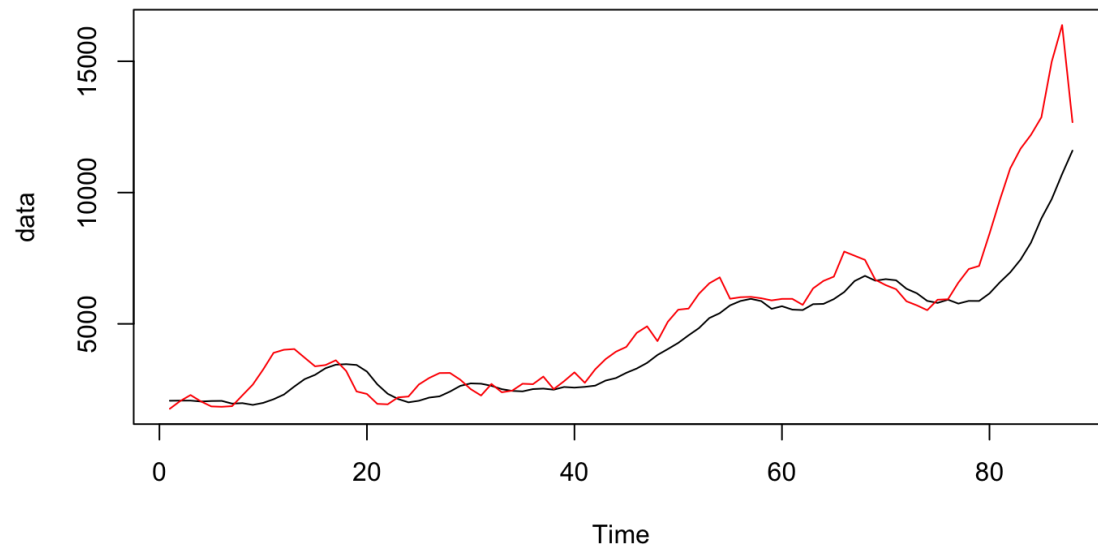
```
firms = read.csv("~/Documents/MATH1307_Forecasting/notes/Module 3/TABLE15-1.DAT", sep="")  
head(firms) # firms is the name of dataset available on Canvas
```

```
##   t    y    x  
## 1 1 2072 1767  
## 2 2 2077 2061  
## 3 3 2078 2289  
## 4 4 2043 2047  
## 5 5 2062 1856  
## 6 6 2067 1842
```

```
y = ts(firms$y)  
x = ts(firms$x)  
data = ts(firms[,2:3])
```

```
plot(data, plot.type="s", col = c("black", "red"), main = "Quarterly capital expenditures (Y, Black) and appropri
```

Quarterly capital expenditures (Y, Black) and appropriations (X, Red)



X and Y series follow each other closely.

We expect to have a strong correlation between these series:

```
cor(y,x) # Calculate correlation between numerical values in x and y
```

```
## [1] 0.9401348
```

This gives us an impression that we can explain the dependent variable Y more precisely if we use the information comes from the independent variable X.

To apply a finite DLM to this data set, first we need to create the design matrix and specify the number of lags.

For now, let's assume that the number of lags q is 8 and make the required arrangements for dependent variables. The corresponding DLM is

$$Y_t = \alpha + \beta_0 X_t + \beta_1 X_{t-1} + \beta_2 X_{t-2} + \cdots + \beta_8 X_{t-8} + \epsilon_t. \quad (4)$$

where $t = 9, \dots, n$. Because only $n - q$ observations are available for estimation, we will use the observations indexed by $t = q + 1, \dots, n$.

So,

- for X_t we will use X_{q+1}, X_2, \dots, X_n
- for X_{t-1} we will use $X_q, X_{q+1}, \dots, X_{n-1}$
- for X_{t-2} we will use $X_{q-1}, X_q, \dots, X_{n-2}$
- for X_{t-3} we will use $X_{q-2}, X_{q-1}, \dots, X_{n-3}$
- ...
- for X_{t-q} we will use X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-q}

and

- for Y_t we will use Y_{q+1}, Y_2, \dots, Y_n

For our example, we write $q = 8$ and $n = 88$ in place, we create the independent X-variables with the following code chunk:

```
library(dLagM)

## Loading required package: nardl

##
## Attaching package: 'dLagM'

## The following object is masked from 'package:forecast':
##
##      forecast
```

```
modell = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 8)
summary(modell)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -370.20 -114.78   23.97  102.65  488.34
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  33.41477    53.70858   0.622  0.5359
## x.t           0.03838     0.03467   1.107  0.2721
## x.1           0.06720     0.06851   0.981  0.3300
## x.2           0.18124     0.08936   2.028  0.0463 *
## x.3           0.19443     0.09254   2.101  0.0392 *
## x.4           0.16989     0.09312   1.824  0.0723 .
## x.5           0.05236     0.09177   0.571  0.5701
## x.6           0.05246     0.09385   0.559  0.5780
## x.7           0.05618     0.09415   0.597  0.5526
## x.8           0.12708     0.05983   2.124  0.0372 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 187.7 on 70 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9934, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9926
## F-statistic: 1175 on 9 and 70 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
##
## AIC and BIC values for the model:
##           AIC          BIC
## 1 1075.884 1102.086
```

The inferencens from the model results are those classical ones about

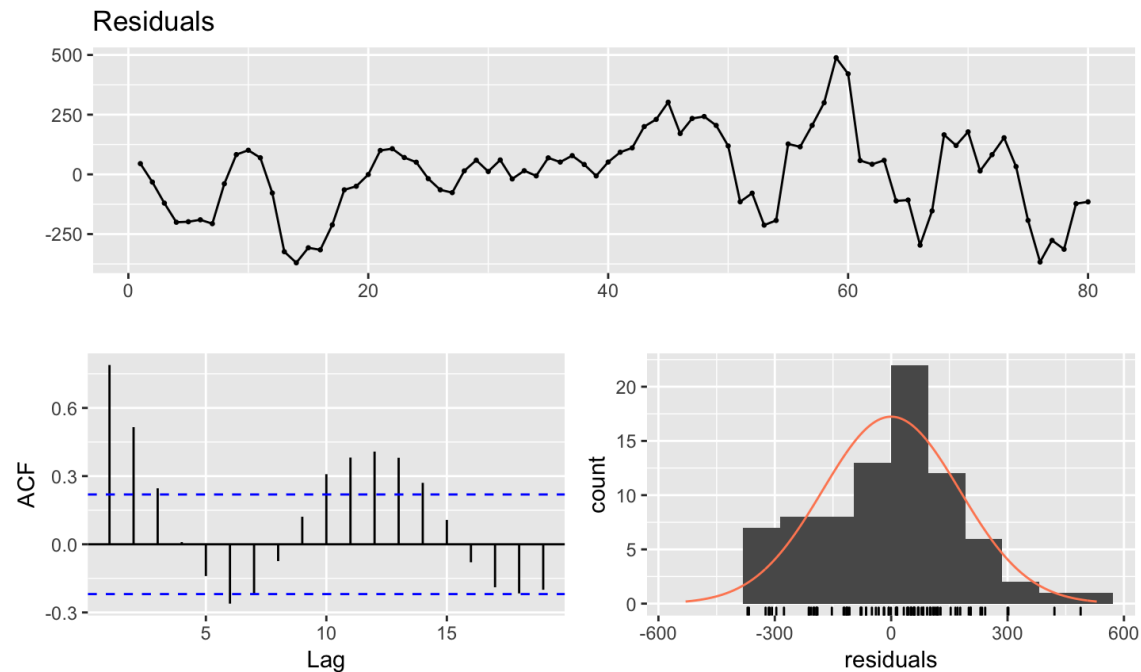
- significance of coefficients in the model,
- adjusted r-squared value, and
- the overall significance of the model using the p-value seen on the last line of `lm()` function output.

We will follow this approach throughout the semester and it is a good approach to follow in the workplace as well.

Also, we can apply the required diagnostic check using `checkresiduals()` function from the `forecast` package.

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```
checkresiduals(model1$model$residuals)
```



```
# The residuals are extracted from the model object by  
# calling model1$model$residuals
```

```
bgtest(model1$model)
```

```
##  
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 1  
##  
## data: model1$model  
## LM test = 51.026, df = 1, p-value = 9.116e-13
```

In this output, the Breusch-Godfrey test is displayed to test the existence of serial correlation up to the displayed order.

According to this test and ACF plot, we can conclude that the serial correlation left in residuals is highly significant.

Also, from the time series plot and histogram of standardized residuals, there is an obvious non-random pattern and very high residual values that violate general assumptions.

However, we got a very high R-squared value (0.99) for this model.

We need to be careful about multicollinearity with this model due to the inclusion of the same variable even partly.

The overall model is significant at 5% level of significance with a p-value of $2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$.

So the model fits the data well even we have some insignificant coefficients.

Looking at the values of coefficients, the highest lag effect is the lag of 3.

However, we need to consider the effect of collinearity on these results.

To inspect this issue, we will display variance inflation factors (VIFs).

If the value of VIF is greater than 10, we can conclude that the effect of multicollinearity is high.

```
VIF.modell = vif(modell$model) # variance inflation factors
# Notice again we are getting the model object out of the model fitting
# by using "$model" in addition to "modell"
VIF.modell
```

```
##      x.t      x.1      x.2      x.3      x.4      x.5      x.6
## 25.08859  91.90100 130.11827 117.51813 105.19779  90.33317  83.12416
##      x.7      x.8
## 74.53415  27.84059
```

```
VIF.modell > 10
```

```
## x.t x.1 x.2 x.3 x.4 x.5 x.6 x.7 x.8
## TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
```


From the VIF values, it is obvious that the estimates of the finite DLM are suffering from the multicollinearity.

To deal with this issue, we can use the restricted least squares method to find parameter estimates.

In this approach, some restrictions are placed on the model parameters to reduce the variances of the estimators.

In the context of DLMs, we translate the pattern of time effects into the restrictions on parameters.

In the next section, we will use polynomial curves to restrict lag weights.

Polynomial Distributed Lags

To reduce the harmful effect of multicollinearity, we will impose a polynomial shape on the lag distribution.

Suppose, lag weights follow a smooth polynomial pattern. Because this idea first introduced by Shirley Almon, the resulting model is called Almon Distributed Lag Model or Polynomial Distributed Lag model.

Imposing a polynomial pattern on the lag distribution is equivalent to representing β parameters with another k th order polynomial model of time.

So, the effect of change in X_{t-s} on the expected value of Y_t is represented as follows:

$$\frac{\partial E(Y_t)}{\partial X_{t-s}} = \beta_s = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 s + \gamma_2 s^2 + \cdots + \gamma_k s^k \quad (5)$$

where $s = 0, \dots, q$.

Let's turn back to our numerical example and apply the idea over the DLM in Eq. (5). When we impose 2nd order polynomial restrictions, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_0 &= \gamma_0 & s &= 0 \\ \beta_1 &= \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 & s &= 1 \\ \beta_2 &= \gamma_0 + 2\gamma_1 + 4\gamma_2 & s &= 2 \\ \beta_3 &= \gamma_0 + 3\gamma_1 + 9\gamma_2 & s &= 3 \\ \beta_4 &= \gamma_0 + 4\gamma_1 + 16\gamma_2 & s &= 4 \\ \beta_5 &= \gamma_0 + 5\gamma_1 + 25\gamma_2 & s &= 5 \\ \beta_6 &= \gamma_0 + 6\gamma_1 + 36\gamma_2 & s &= 6 \\ \beta_7 &= \gamma_0 + 7\gamma_1 + 49\gamma_2 & s &= 7 \\ \beta_8 &= \gamma_0 + 8\gamma_1 + 64\gamma_2 & s &= 8\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

Then we will substitute the parameters into the DLM in Eq. (6).

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t = \alpha & + \gamma_0 X_t + (\gamma_0 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2) X_{t-1} + (\gamma_0 + 2\gamma_1 + 4\gamma_2) X_{t-2} \\ & + (\gamma_0 + 3\gamma_1 + 9\gamma_2) X_{t-3} + (\gamma_0 + 4\gamma_1 + 16\gamma_2) X_{t-4} \\ & + (\gamma_0 + 5\gamma_1 + 25\gamma_2) X_{t-5} + (\gamma_0 + 6\gamma_1 + 36\gamma_2) X_{t-6} \\ & + (\gamma_0 + 7\gamma_1 + 49\gamma_2) X_{t-7} + (\gamma_0 + 8\gamma_1 + 64\gamma_2) X_{t-8} \\ & + \epsilon_t. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

To simplify the model, we find X-variables associated with each γ -parameter and rewrite them as new variables:

$$\begin{aligned}Z_{t0} &= X_t + X_{t-1} + X_{t-2} + X_{t-3} + X_{t-4} + X_{t-5} \\&\quad + X_{t-6} + X_{t-7} + X_{t-8} \\Z_{t1} &= X_{t-1} + 2X_{t-2} + 3X_{t-3} + 4X_{t-4} + 5X_{t-5} \\&\quad + 6X_{t-6} + 7X_{t-7} + 8X_{t-8} \\Z_{t2} &= X_{t-1} + 4X_{t-2} + 9X_{t-3} + 16X_{t-4} + 25X_{t-5} \\&\quad + 36X_{t-6} + 49X_{t-7} + 64X_{t-8}\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

and the model becomes:

$$Y_t = \alpha + \gamma_0 Z_{t0} + \gamma_1 Z_{t1} + \gamma_2 Z_{t2} + \epsilon_t.\tag{9}$$

Once the model is fitted and the estimates of γ coefficients, namely $\hat{\gamma}_k$ are found, we can go back and find the estimates of β coefficients, $\hat{\beta}_k$ using Eq. (7).

The following code chunk applies the polynomial distributed lag model.

```
model2 = polyDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x), y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 8 ,
                 k = 2, show.beta = FALSE )
summary(model2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + X.t"
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -399.46 -123.35    4.78   118.15   516.09
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  51.572529   53.164239   0.970  0.33509
## z.t0         0.067168    0.015227   4.411 3.34e-05 ***
## z.t1         0.038180    0.012795   2.984  0.00383 **
## z.t2        -0.005128    0.001625  -3.156  0.00229 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 188.8 on 76 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9928, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9925
## F-statistic: 3481 on 3 and 76 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```


Now, the model and all parameters are significant at 5% level of significance.

Because we used a 2nd order polynomial, we will use the following equation to find estimates of original β parameters

$$\hat{\beta}_s = \gamma_0 + s\gamma_1 + s^2\gamma_2 \quad (10)$$

where $s = 0, \dots, q$.

Also, we need to find standard errors of β parameters.

The following code chunk uses `polyDlm()` function with `show.beta` argument is set to `TRUE` to generate estimates of lag weights (β parameters) and their standard deviations using standard regression methodology.

```
model2 = polyDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x), y = as.vector(firms$y), q = 8 ,  
                 k = 2, show.beta = TRUE)
```

```
## Estimates and t-tests for beta coefficients:  
##      Estimate Std. Error t value P(>|t|)  
## beta.0    0.0672    0.01520   4.41 3.53e-05  
## beta.1    0.1000    0.00511  19.60 1.41e-30  
## beta.2    0.1230    0.00541  22.70 1.37e-34  
## beta.3    0.1360    0.00941  14.40 6.83e-23  
## beta.4    0.1380    0.01070  12.90 2.52e-20  
## beta.5    0.1300    0.00908  14.30 9.76e-23  
## beta.6    0.1120    0.00534  20.90 2.55e-32  
## beta.7    0.0832    0.00735  11.30 1.19e-17  
## beta.8    0.0444    0.01800   2.47 1.58e-02
```

Now, all the distributed lag weights are significant at 5% level of significance.

Also, notice that the standard errors of estimators are much less than their unconstrained counterparts.

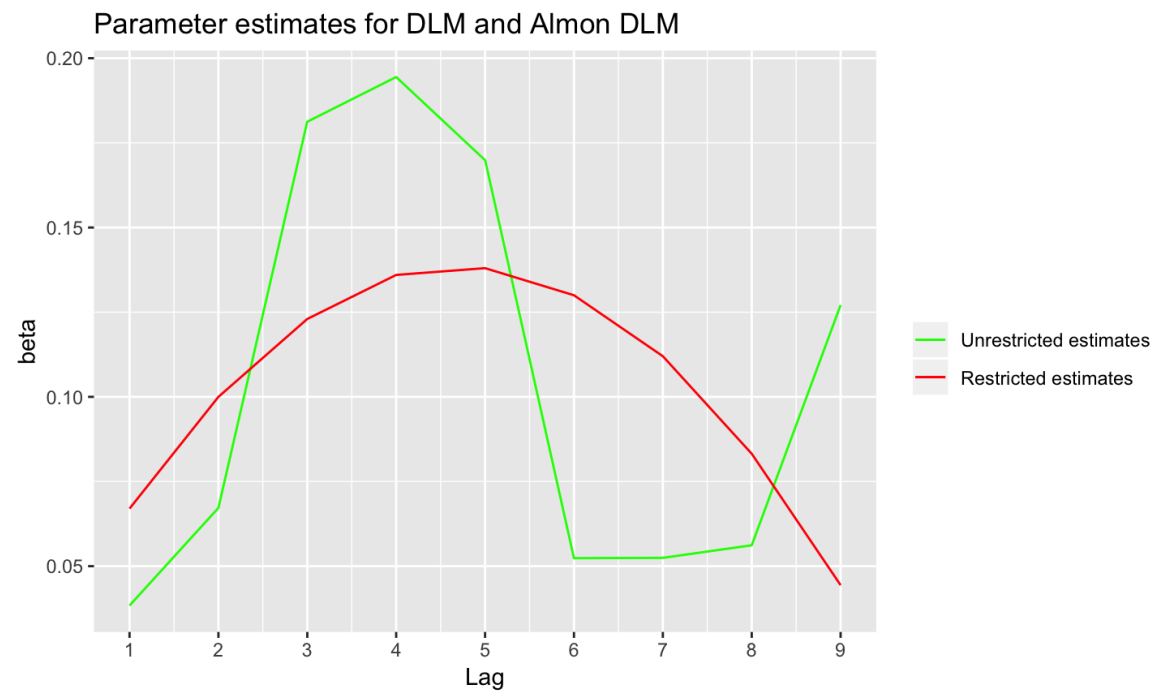
This implies that we have more precise estimates with polynomial DLM.

Also, we plot both sets of estimates for distributed lag weights from unrestricted and restricted models below:

```

beta.model1 = model1$model$coefficients[2:10]
beta.model2 = c(0.067, 0.1, 0.123, 0.136, 0.138, 0.13, 0.112, 0.0832, 0.0444)
xx = 1:9
df = data.frame(xx,beta.model1,beta.model2)
ggplot(df, aes(xx)) +
  geom_line(aes(y=beta.model1,colour = "Unrestricted estimates")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=beta.model2, colour = "Restricted estimates")) +
  ylab("beta") + xlab("Lag") + labs(title = "Parameter estimates for DLM and Almon DLM") +
  scale_colour_manual("",breaks = c("Unrestricted estimates", "Restricted estimates"), values = c("red", "green")
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(1,9,1))

```



While the unrestricted estimates are going upward and the downward, restricted ones have a polynomial shape following the restrictions created by using a 2nd order polynomial.

We can infer that the effect of change in capital appropriations X_t at time t leads to an increase in capital expenditures in the current period Y_t by a relatively small amount.

However, the expenditures arising from the appropriation decision increase during the next four quarters, before the effects begin to taper off.

Specification of Finite Lag Length

Specification of an optimal lag length of q is the most crucial part of DLMS. under- or over-specification can lead to biased inferences.

There are different approaches proposed in the literature for this task.

We will focus on a simple approach that is based on the maximization of goodness-of-fit.

In the first approach,

1. select a *maximum* lag length Q ,
2. find the value of q that minimizes AIC or BIC.

For the quarterly capital expenditures and appropriations series, let's start with the maximum lag length of $Q = 12$ and apply the approach mentioned above.

To apply the approach, first, we will fit the models with $q = 1, 2, \dots, 12$ and then compute their AIC and BIC values and sort the models according to these goodness-of-fit measures.

The following code chunk implements this approach.

```
model.12 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 12 )$model
model.11 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 11 )$model
model.10 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 10 )$model
model.9 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 9 )$model
model.8 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 8 )$model
model.7 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 7 )$model
model.6 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 6 )$model
model.5 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 5 )$model
model.4 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 4 )$model
model.3 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 3 )$model
model.2 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 2 )$model
model.1 = dlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , q = 1 )$model
# "$model" is added here to get only the model component
```

```
models.AIC = AIC(model.12,model.11,model.10,model.9,model.8,model.7,model.6,model.5,model.4,model.3,model.2,mode
models.BIC = BIC(model.12,model.11,model.10,model.9,model.8,model.7,model.6,model.5,model.4,model.3,model.2,mode

sort.score(models.AIC, "aic")
```

```
##          df      AIC
## model.12 15 1030.257
## model.11 14 1041.821
## model.10 13 1052.525
## model.9  12 1063.907
## model.8  11 1075.884
## model.7  10 1091.676
## model.6   9 1113.934
## model.5   8 1144.220
## model.4   7 1181.259
## model.3   6 1231.763
## model.2   5 1294.976
## model.1   4 1360.432
```

```
sort.score(models.BIC, "bic")
```

```
##           df      BIC
## model.12 15 1065.218
## model.11 14 1074.634
## model.10 13 1083.162
## model.9   12 1092.341
## model.8   11 1102.086
## model.7   10 1115.620
## model.6    9 1135.594
## model.5    8 1163.571
## model.4    7 1198.275
## model.3    6 1246.419
## model.2    5 1307.248
## model.1    4 1370.295
```

Both AIC and BIC measures suggest the use of lag length 12. This approach could also be applied over the Almon DLMS.

But in this case, computations would be more complex due to transformations to create Z variables.

The Geometric Lag Model

In this model, lag weights are all positive and decline geometrically.

This approach is also used with infinite DLMS. In this model, the transformation of the parameters is

$$\beta_s = \beta\phi^s \quad (11)$$

where $|\phi| < 1$, β is a scaling parameter.

The β_s value gets closer to zero as s gets larger.

As a result of this, the most recent part of the model is more heavily weighted than the more distant part.

Substituting Eq. (11) into the infinite DLM in Eq. (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= \alpha + \beta_0 X_t + \beta_1 X_{t-1} + \beta_2 X_{t-2} + \cdots + \epsilon_t \\ &= \alpha + \beta(X_t + \phi X_{t-1} + \phi^2 X_{t-2} + \phi^3 X_{t-3} + \cdots) + \epsilon_t. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

This model is called infinite geometric DLM. In this model, we have three parameters: an intercept α , a scale factor β , and the rate at which the weights decline ϕ .

The effect of one unit change in X_{t-s} on $E(Y_t)$ is

$$\frac{\partial E(Y_t)}{\partial X_{t-s}} = \beta_s = \beta \phi^s \tag{13}$$

Implementation of this model seems to be impossible. The following transformation helps to implement this infinite geometric DLM.

The Koyck Transformation

The geometric DLM is nonlinear in terms of its parameters.

One way to deal with this infinite DLM is to use Koyck transformation.

To apply Koyck transformation, we will take the first lag of geometric DLM in Eq. (12), multiply by ϕ , and subtract the result from Eq. (12).

So we get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t - \phi Y_{t-1} &= [\alpha + \beta(X_t + \phi X_{t-1} + \phi^2 X_{t-2} + \phi^3 X_{t-3} \\ &\quad + \dots) + \epsilon_t] \\ &\quad - \phi[\alpha + \beta(X_{t-1} + \phi X_{t-2} + \phi^2 X_{t-3} \\ &\quad + \phi^3 X_{t-4} + \dots) + \epsilon_{t-1}] \\ &= \alpha(1 - \phi) + \beta X_t + (\epsilon_t - \phi \epsilon_{t-1}). \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

When we solve Eq. (14) for Y_t , we obtain Koyck form of the geometric DLM as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= \alpha(1 - \phi) + \phi Y_{t-1} + \beta X_t + (\epsilon_t - \phi \epsilon_{t-1}) \\ &= \delta_1 + \delta_2 Y_{t-1} + \delta_3 X_t + \nu_t. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where $\delta_1 = \alpha(1 - \phi)$, $\delta_2 = \phi$, $\delta_3 = \beta$ and the random error after the transformation is $\nu_t = (\epsilon_t - \phi \epsilon_{t-1})$.

Notice that the model obtained in Eq. (15) is in the form of a simple multiple linear regression model.

The differences between Koyck models and an ordinary multiple regression model are

- one of the explanatory variables is the first lag of the dependent variable, namely Y_{t-1}
- the error term ν_t depends on both ϵ_t and ϵ_{t-1} .

The consequence of these differences is that Y_{t-1} and the error term ν_t will be correlated to each other.

This makes the least-squares estimates biased and inconsistent.

So, the use of the least squares method is not recommended with the Koyck model.

We will use another technique called instrumental variables estimator.

Because Y_{t-1} is correlated with the error terms, this variable creates the problem in the estimation process.

We will represent this variable with an appropriate instrument X_{t-1} , which is correlated with Y_{t-1} but uncorrelated with the error term ν_t .

Because of the correlation between Y_{t-1} and X_{t-1} , X_{t-1} contains most of the information carried by Y_{t-1} . So use of X_{t-1} in place of Y_{t-1} is suitable.

Then we will use two-stages least squares to get parameter estimates.

S1. Find estimates of Y_{t-1} , namely \hat{Y}_{t-1} by regressing it on X_{t-1} through the simple linear regression model

$$Y_{t-1} = a_0 + a_1 X_{t-1} + \text{error}. \quad (16)$$

So, we will use the estimation equation

$$\hat{Y}_{t-1} = \hat{a}_0 + \hat{a}_1 X_{t-1}. \quad (17)$$

S2. Then, fit the following model with instrumental variable using least squares method:

$$Y_t = \delta_1 + \delta_2 \hat{Y}_{t-1} + \delta_3 X_t + \text{error}. \quad (18)$$

Here X_{t-1} is an instrument for Y_{t-1} and X_t is an instrument for itself.

Notice that this approach will not produce a standard error of parameter estimators and hence we will not be able to carry on t-tests for the significance of parameters.

Therefore, we need to use packages specifically designed to implement two staged least squares method.

The `koyckDlm()` function utilises the [`ivreg\(\)`](#) function from the package `AER` to implement the two-stage least squares method (AER documentation).

Let's turn back to our numerical example on the quarterly US capital expenditures and appropriations series and apply this approach over Koyck DLM.

The following code chunk implements Koyck DLM with the quarterly US capital expenditures and appropriations series.

```
model4 = koyckDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) )
summary(model4)
```

```
##
## Call:
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + Y.l + X.t"
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -346.243  -95.894   -1.308    96.646   612.698
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -28.90734    36.66470  -0.788    0.433
## Y.l          0.81532     0.02064   39.500 <2e-16 ***
## X.t          0.18028     0.01422   12.680 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 145.2 on 84 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-Squared:  0.9957, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9956
## Wald test:  9807 on 2 and 84 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
##
##              alpha      beta      phi
## Geometric coefficients: -156.5277 0.1802848 0.8153212
```



```
summary(model4$model, diagnostics = TRUE)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + Y.l + X.t"  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       10   Median       30      Max   
## -346.243  -95.894   -1.308    96.646   612.698   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept) -28.90734    36.66470  -0.788    0.433      
## Y.l          0.81532     0.02064   39.500 <2e-16 ***   
## X.t          0.18028     0.01422   12.680 <2e-16 ***   
##  
## Diagnostic tests:  
##              df1 df2 statistic p-value      
## Weak instruments    1  84    252.43 < 2e-16 ***   
## Wu-Hausman         1  83     44.16 2.97e-09 ***   
## Sargan              0 NA        NA      NA        
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 145.2 on 84 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-Squared:  0.9957, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9956   
## Wald test:  9807 on 2 and 84 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
# If set to TRUE, diagnostics argument shows three tests:  
# 1. an F test of the first stage regression for weak instruments  
# 2. the Wu-Hausman test for the significance of the correlation between an explanatory variable and the error term (endogeneity)  
# 3. the Sargan test of overidentifying restrictions (only if there are more instruments than regressors).
```

From the `weak_instruments` line, we conclude that the model at the first stage of the least-squares fitting is significant at 5% level of significance.

In this model, both δ_2 and δ_3 are significant at 5% level. Using the coefficients, we find the estimates of original parameters such that $\hat{\beta} = 0.18$ and $\hat{\phi} = 0.815$. So the weights will decline quickly at the rate of 0.85.

Thus, the first lags of appropriations will have a more strong impact on expenditures than the latter ones.

In the Koyck DLM, we cannot be sure whether the error term is correlated with the lagged dependent variable or not. So, we will test the error term ν_t for autocorrelation using the **Wu-Hausman test**.

The Wu-Hausman test compares the consistency of instrumental variable estimates to ordinary least squares estimates.

If the endogeneity is present, the instrumental variable estimator is concluded to be consistent while the ordinary least squares estimator is inconsistent.

From the Wu-Hausman test result in the model output, we reject the null hypothesis that *the correlation between the explanatory variable and the error term is zero (There is no endogeneity)* at 5% level.

So, there is a significant correlation between the explanatory variable and the error term at 5% level.

But notice that this test should be used cautiously with small samples (like $n < 100$) due to its asymptotic validity.

Autoregressive Distributed Lag Model

Autoregressive DLMs are useful when we can find suitable solutions with neither polynomial nor Koyck DLMs.

Actually, the autoregressive DLM is a flexible and parsimonious infinite DLM. For example,

$$Y_t = \mu + \beta_0 X_t + \beta_1 X_{t-1} + \gamma_1 Y_{t-1} + e_t \quad (19)$$

is an autoregressive DLM. Similar to the Koyck DLM, it is possible to write this model as an infinite DLM. This form of the model is denoted by ARDL(1,1).

As in general the model is denoted as ARDL(p, q) and the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_t = \mu + \beta_0 X_t + \beta_1 X_{t-1} + \cdots + \beta_p X_{t-p} + \gamma_1 Y_{t-1} + \cdots + \gamma_q Y_{t-q} + e_t. \quad (20)$$

With sufficiently large values of p and q , the model is flexible enough to approximate an infinite lag distribution of any shape rather than a polynomial or geometric shape.

Let's revisit the capital expenditures series to illustrate the model.

We will fit the ARDL models with $p = q = 1, 2, 3$.

To fit the model we will use `ardlDlm()` function from `dLagM` package.

This package provides a very flexible implementation for the model including differences, lags, seasonal and harmonic components.

```
model.11 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , p = 1 ,  
                  q = 1 )$model  
summary(model.11)
```

```
##  
## Time series regression with "ts" data:  
## Start = 2, End = 88  
##  
## Call:  
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -281.42  -59.02   14.44   76.16  214.85   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept) -2.40362    28.95567  -0.083   0.9340      
## X.t          0.03478     0.01897   1.834   0.0703 .      
## X.1          0.15619     0.02350   6.645 2.97e-09 ***   
## Y.1          0.80080     0.01701  47.080 < 2e-16 ***   
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 111.8 on 83 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9975, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9974   
## F-statistic: 1.104e+04 on 3 and 83 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```

formula = y ~ x # Alternatively, we can use formula object as well.
model.22 = ardlDlm(formula = formula, data = firms, p = 2 ,
                    q = 2 )$model
summary(model.22)

```

```

##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 3, End = 88
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -249.915  -52.520    9.437   69.408  231.196
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  7.52056   26.90555   0.280  0.78057
## x.t          0.04377    0.01758   2.491  0.01482 *
## x.1          0.04948    0.03545   1.396  0.16670
## x.2          0.09110    0.03796   2.400  0.01873 *
## y.1          1.03777    0.10064  10.312 2.39e-16 ***
## y.2         -0.23385    0.08258  -2.832  0.00586 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 102.3 on 80 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.998, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9978
## F-statistic: 7808 on 5 and 80 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

```



```
model.33 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) , p = 3 ,
q = 3 )$model
summary(model.33)
```

```
##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 4, End = 88
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       10   Median       30      Max
## -276.279  -53.633    0.812   63.560  232.205
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  10.78350    27.44020   0.393   0.6954
## X.t           0.04064     0.01831   2.220   0.0294 *
## X.1           0.06164     0.03718   1.658   0.1014
## X.2           0.05224     0.04707   1.110   0.2705
## X.3           0.05236     0.04059   1.290   0.2010
## Y.1           0.96362     0.11235   8.577 7.86e-13 ***
## Y.2          -0.13152     0.15564  -0.845   0.4007
## Y.3          -0.05304     0.08842  -0.600   0.5503
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 102.6 on 77 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.998, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9978
## F-statistic: 5474 on 7 and 77 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
models.AIC = AIC(model.11,model.22,model.33)
models.BIC = BIC(model.11,model.22,model.33)
sort.score(models.AIC, "aic")
```

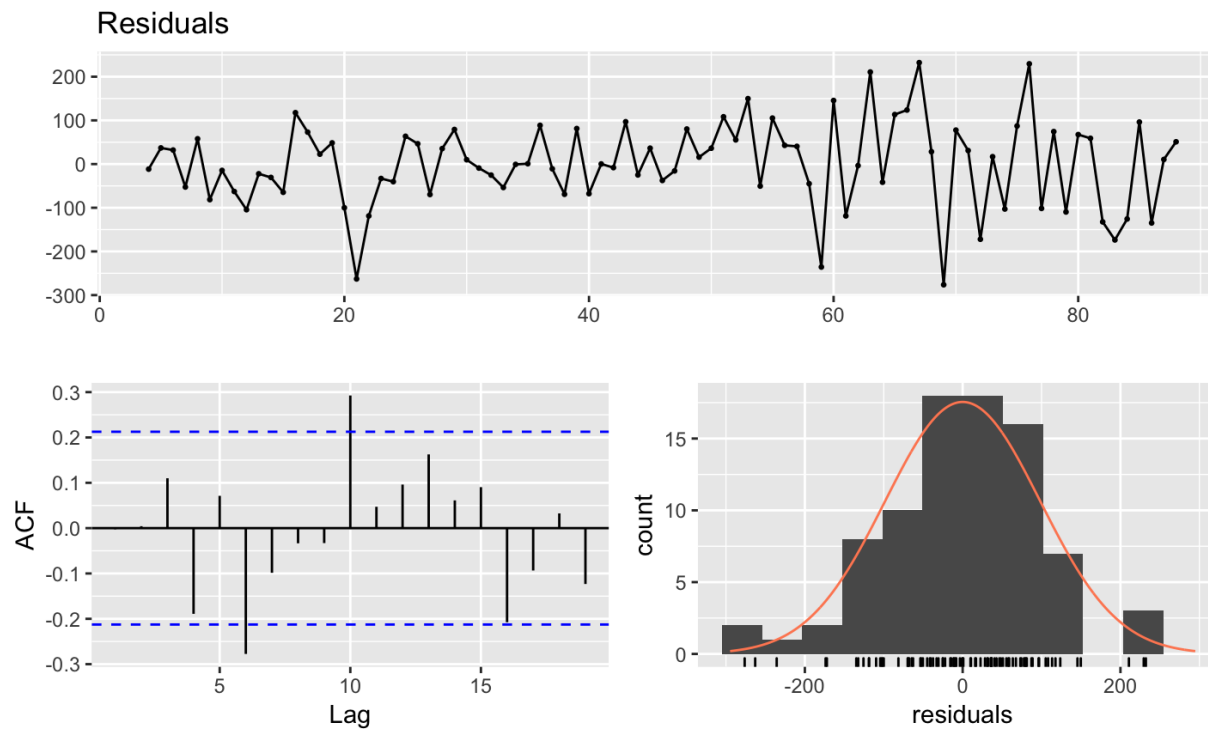
```
##           df      AIC
## model.33   9 1038.106
## model.22   7 1047.898
## model.11   5 1073.452
```

```
sort.score(models.BIC, "bic")
```

```
##           df      BIC
## model.33   9 1060.090
## model.22   7 1065.079
## model.11   5 1085.782
```

According to both AIC and BIC, ARDL(3,3) model is the most accurate one. We will display diagnostic plots of residuals from ARDL(3,3) to examine residuals.

```
checkresiduals(model.33$residuals)
```



```
bgtest(model.33)
```

```
##
```

```
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 1
```

```
##
```

```
## data: model.33
```

```
## LM test = 0.017265, df = 1, p-value = 0.8955
```

From the time series plot of standardised residuals, we can infer that standardised residuals are distributed around zero mean levels as desired.

From the histogram and QQ plots, we can say that standardised residuals are distributed according to standard normal distribution within $(-3, 3)$ range; hence, we do not have an influential point.

ACF and PACF of the standardised residuals do not suggest the existence of autocorrelation within error terms. This is an important and desired property for the fitted ARDL models.

Forecasting

Forecasting with DLMS is a straightforward task as in simple linear regression analysis.

We will directly use model and parameter estimates to calculate predictions for the future values of the dependent variable.

For this aim, the package `dLagM` provides a bunch of forecasting functions for DLMS.

Finite distributed lag model

For our numerical example, let's calculate 3 quarters ahead forecasts.

So, we will find \hat{Y}_{89} , \hat{Y}_{90} , and \hat{Y}_{91} .

Suppose the given values of appropriations for there periods are $X_{89} = 13500$, $X_{90} = 14700$, $X_{91} = 13980$, respectively.

To get forecasts for the finite distributed lag model with $q = 8$, we will use `d1mForecast()` function from the `dLagM` package.

```

forecasts.dlm = dLagM::forecast(model = modell ,
                                x = c(13500 , 14700 , 13980) ,
                                h = 3)$forecasts

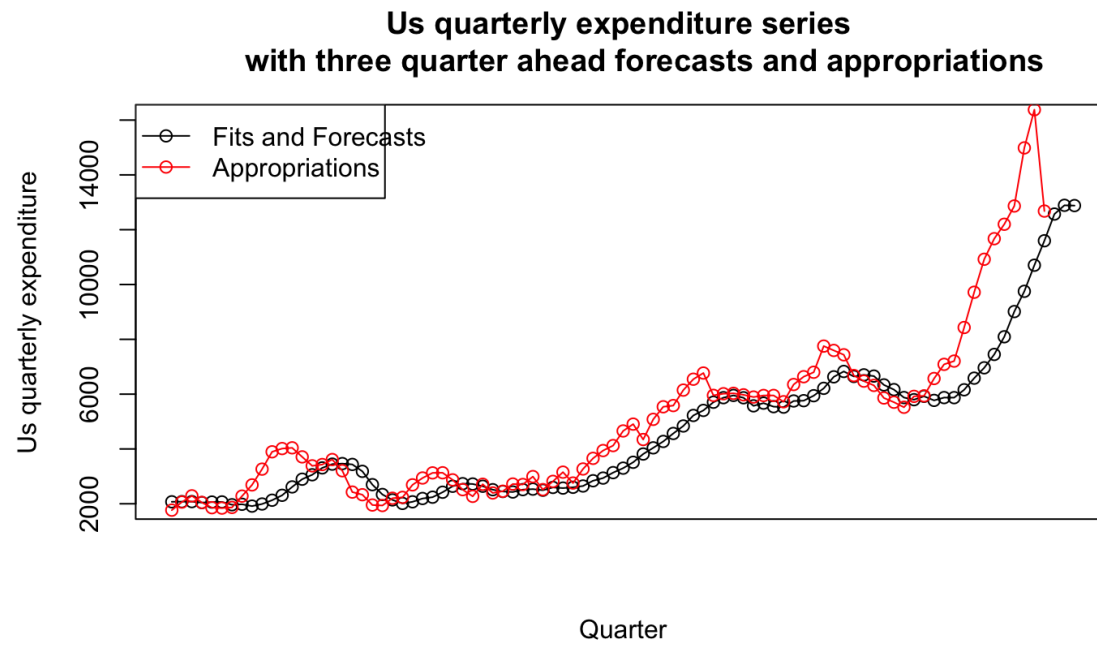
forecasts.dlm

y.extended = c(firms$y , forecasts.dlm)

plot(ts(y.extended),type="o",xaxt="n", ylim= c(2000, 16000),
      ylab = "Us quarterly expenditure", xlab = "Quarter",
      main="Us quarterly expenditure series with three quarter ahead
           forecasts and appropriations")
lines(firms$x,col="Red",type="o")
legend("topleft",lty=1, pch = 1, text.width = 16, col=c("black","red"),
      c("Fits and Forecasts", "Appropriations"))

```

[1] 12570.83 12890.35 12880.61



Ploynomial distributed lag model

For the polynomial DLM, recall that we rewrite the model with a polynomial transformation.

For example, for the second-order polynomial model, we have the following prediction model

$$\hat{Y}_s = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\gamma}_0 Z_{s0} + \hat{\gamma}_1 Z_{s1} + \hat{\gamma}_2 Z_{s2}. \quad (21)$$

The forecast for the time $s > n$, we first need to compute the values of Z variables Z_{s1}, Z_{s1}, Z_{s2} using the Eq. (8) with t is replaced by s and write the calculated values in place in Eq. (21).

For our numerical example, let us calculate 3 quarters ahead forecasts.

So, we will find \hat{Y}_{89} , \hat{Y}_{90} , and \hat{Y}_{91} .

Suppose the given values of appropriations for there periods are $X_{89} = 13500$, $X_{90} = 14700$, $X_{91} = 13980$, respectively.

The following code chunk computes Z variables:

```

forecasts.polydlm = dLagM::forecast(model = model2 ,
                                   x = c(13500 , 14700 , 13980) ,
                                   h = 3)$forecasts

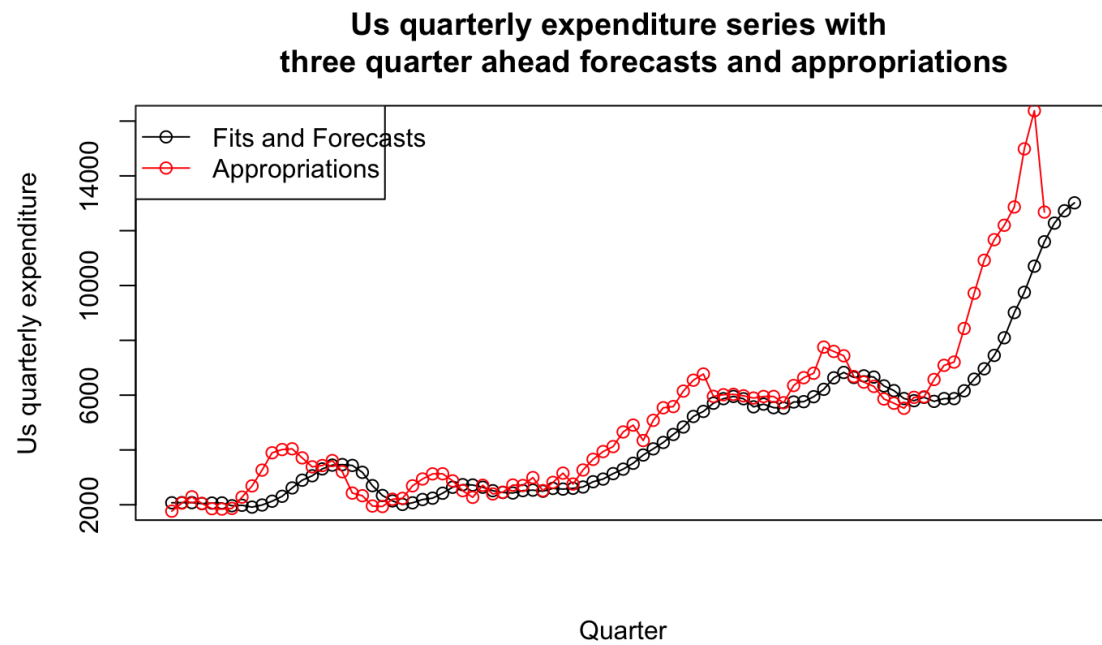
forecasts.polydlm

y.extended = c(firms$y , forecasts.polydlm)

{# Put these curlies to put all displays into the same plot
plot(ts(y.extended),type="o",xaxt="n", ylim= c(2000, 16000),
ylab = "Us quarterly expenditure", xlab = "Quarter",
main="Us quarterly expenditure series with
      three quarter ahead forecasts and appropriations")
par(new=TRUE)
lines(firms$x,col="Red",type="o")
legend("topleft",lty=1, pch = 1, text.width = 16,
      col=c("black","red"), c("Fits and Forecasts",
                              "Appropriations"))
}

```

[1] 12276.48 12726.68 13017.09



Koyck distributed lag model

For the Koyck DLM, we will use the usual `predict()` function to generate forecasts. The prediction equation for Koyck DLM is

$$\hat{Y}_s = \hat{\delta}_1 + \hat{\delta}_2 \hat{Y}_{s-1} + \hat{\delta}_3 X_s. \quad (22)$$

For one step ahead forecast $s = t + 1$, we have

$$\hat{Y}_{t+1} = \hat{\delta}_1 + \hat{\delta}_2 \hat{Y}_t + \hat{\delta}_3 X_{t+1}. \quad (23)$$

So, we will use the last fitted \hat{Y}_t and new value of independent variable X_{t+1} . For \hat{Y}_{89} , we will use $\hat{Y}_{88} = 10984.302$ and $X_{89} = 13500$ such that


```

forecasts.koyckdlm = dLagM::forecast(model = model4 ,
                                     x = c(13500 , 14700 , 13980) ,
                                     h = 3)$forecasts

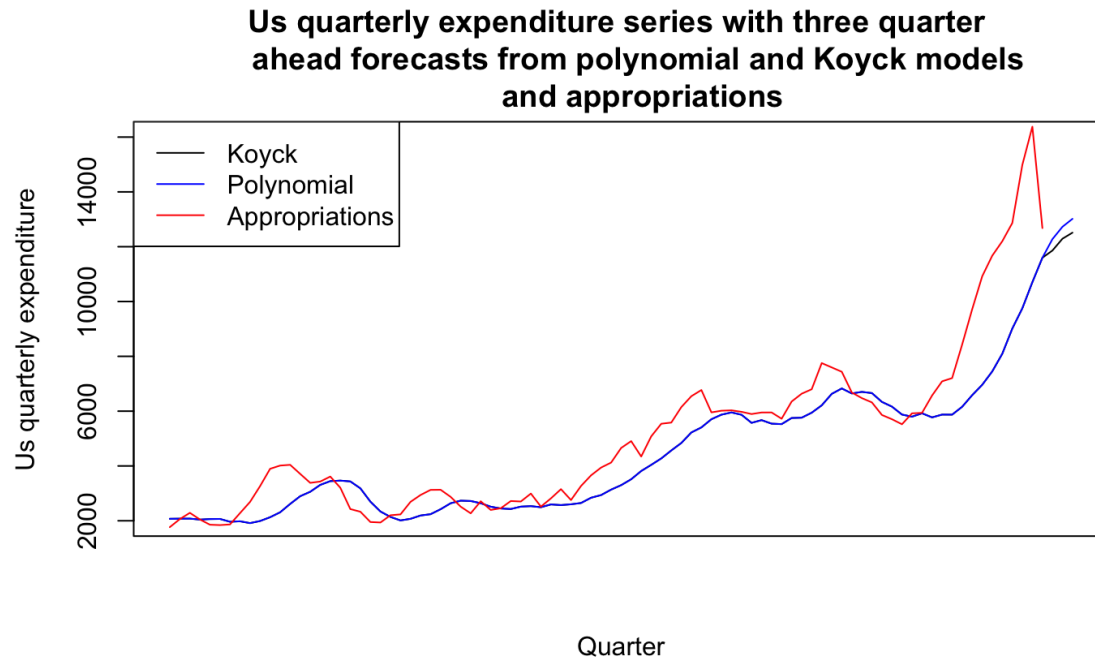
forecasts.koyckdlm

y.extended2 = c(firms$y , forecasts.koyckdlm)

{
plot(ts(y.extended2),type="l",xaxt="n", ylim= c(2000, 16000),
ylab = "Us quarterly expenditure", xlab = "Quarter",
main="Us quarterly expenditure series with three quarter
      ahead forecasts from polynomial and Koyck models
      and appropriations")
lines(y.extended,col="Blue",type="l")
lines(firms$x,col="Red",type="l")
legend("topleft",lty=1, text.width = 16,
      col=c("black","blue","red"),
      c("Koyck", "Polynomial", "Appropriations"))
}

```

```
## [1] 11860.22 12291.17 12512.72
```



Fits and forecasts from polynomial and Koyck models are close to each other.

Autoregressive distributed lag model

The way we proceed to generate forecasts for ARDL models is the same as the one with Koyck DLM.

We will compute the forecasts starting with the last fitted value.

Let's find 3 times ahead forecasts for the US quarterly expenditures series with previously given values of future appropriations.

```

model.33 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(firms$x) , y = as.vector(firms$y) ,
                  p = 3 , q = 3)
# Model is fitted again without "$model" to get all outputs
forecasts.ardldlm = dLagM::forecast(model = model.33,
                                   x = c(13500 , 14700 , 13980) ,
                                   h = 3)$forecasts

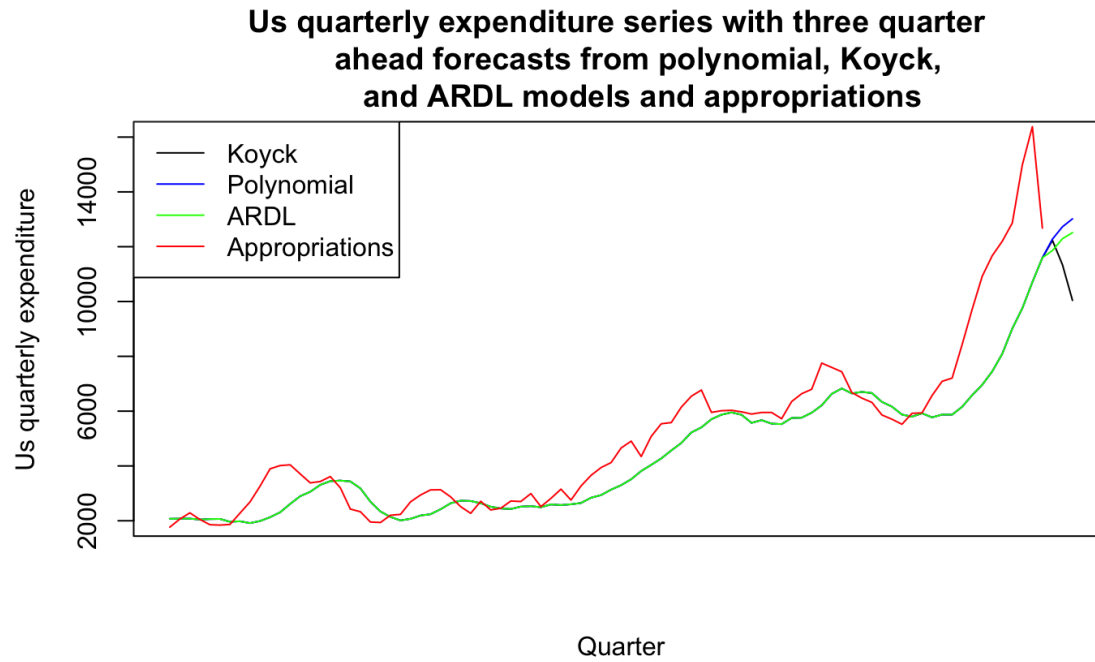
forecasts.ardldlm

y.extended3 = c(firms$y , forecasts.ardldlm)

{
plot(ts(y.extended3),type="l",xaxt="n", ylim= c(2000, 16000),
ylab = "Us quarterly expenditure", xlab = "Quarter",
main="Us quarterly expenditure series with three quarter
      ahead forecasts from polynomial, Koyck,
      and ARDL models and appropriations")
lines(y.extended,col="Blue",type="l")
lines(y.extended2,col="Green",type="l")
lines(firms$x,col="Red",type="l")
legend("topleft",lty=1, text.width = 16,
      col=c("black","blue","green","red"),
      c("Koyck", "Polynomial", "ARDL", "Appropriations"))
}

```

[1] 12231.29 11343.52 10041.10



Practical Application

In this practical application, we will focus on the analysis of [annual mean global warming series](#) between 1997 and 2016 showing the change in global surface temperature relative to 1951-1980 average temperatures.

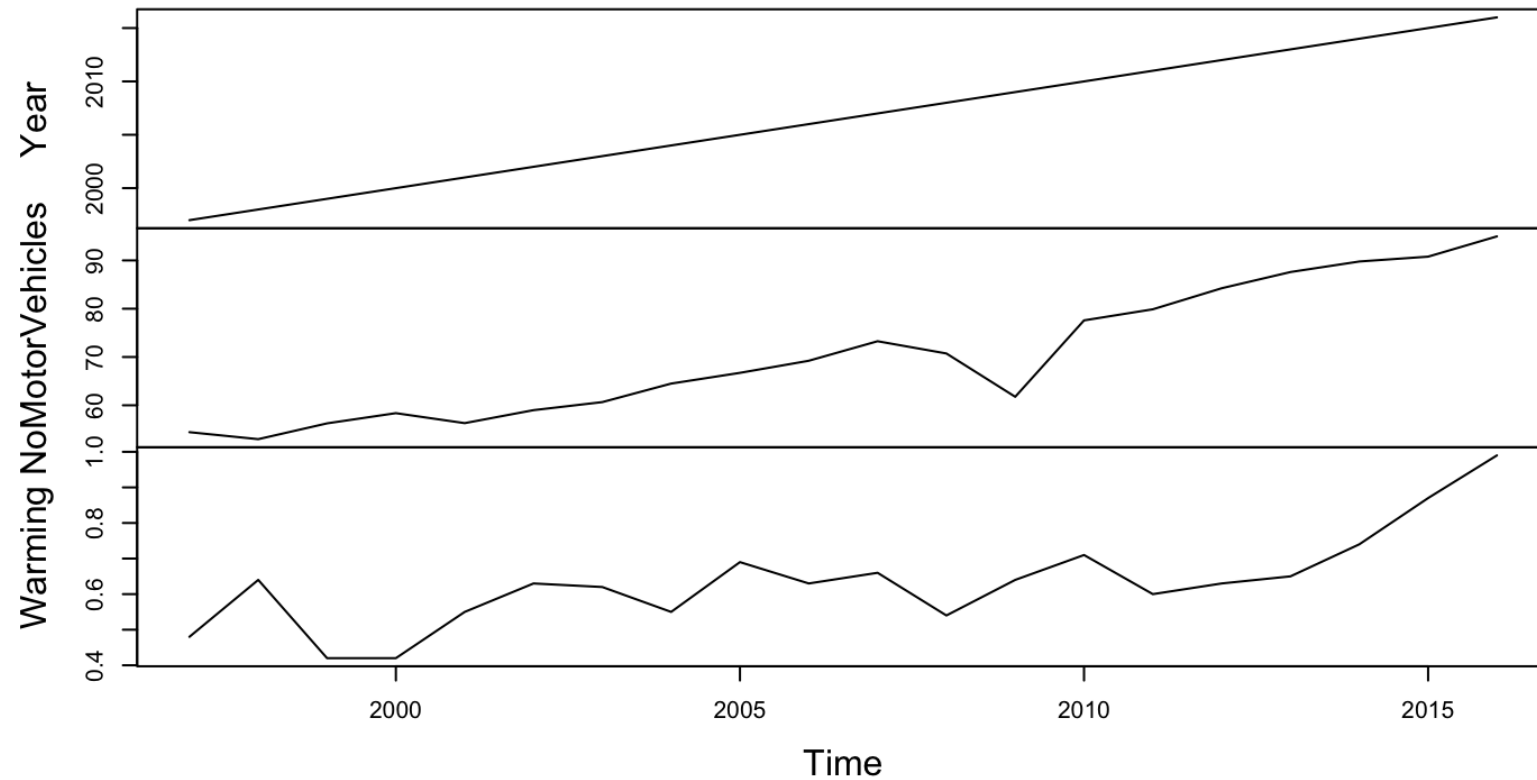
We will use the [number of vehicles](#) produced within the same time span as a predictor variable to forecast the future of global warming.

This dataset is available in `warming` dataset of the `dLagM` package. So, we read the data into R and convert into the `ts` object for plotting purposes as follows.

Then we will display the time series plots of the dependent series and predictor series and calculate the correlation between them.

```
library(dLagM)
data(warming)
vehicleWarming.ts = ts(warming, start = 1997)
plot(vehicleWarming.ts, main="Time series plots of global warming and the nuber of produced motor vehciles serie
cor(vehicleWarming.ts)
```


**Time series plots of global warming and
the nuber of produced motor vehciles (in millions) series.**



```
##              Year NoMotorVehicles   Warming
## Year          1.0000000      0.9566188 0.7499508
## NoMotorVehicles 0.9566188      1.0000000 0.7423201
## Warming         0.7499508      0.7423201 1.0000000
```

Both series have an increasing trend, there is no sign of seasonality, changing variance or an intervention effect.

Because we observe successive observations in both series, we think that there is autoregressive behaviour in the series.

There is a moderate to strong correlation between the dependent and predictor series implying that using a time series regression model would be beneficial in the analysis of global warming.

Because there is a clear trend pattern composed of succeeding points, we think that the lag affecting each other should not be too far from each other.

Therefore we will start our analysis with a DLM of a moderate number of lags $q = 6$.

```

model1 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,
             q = 6)
# Note that dLagM does not require a ts object!
summary(model1)

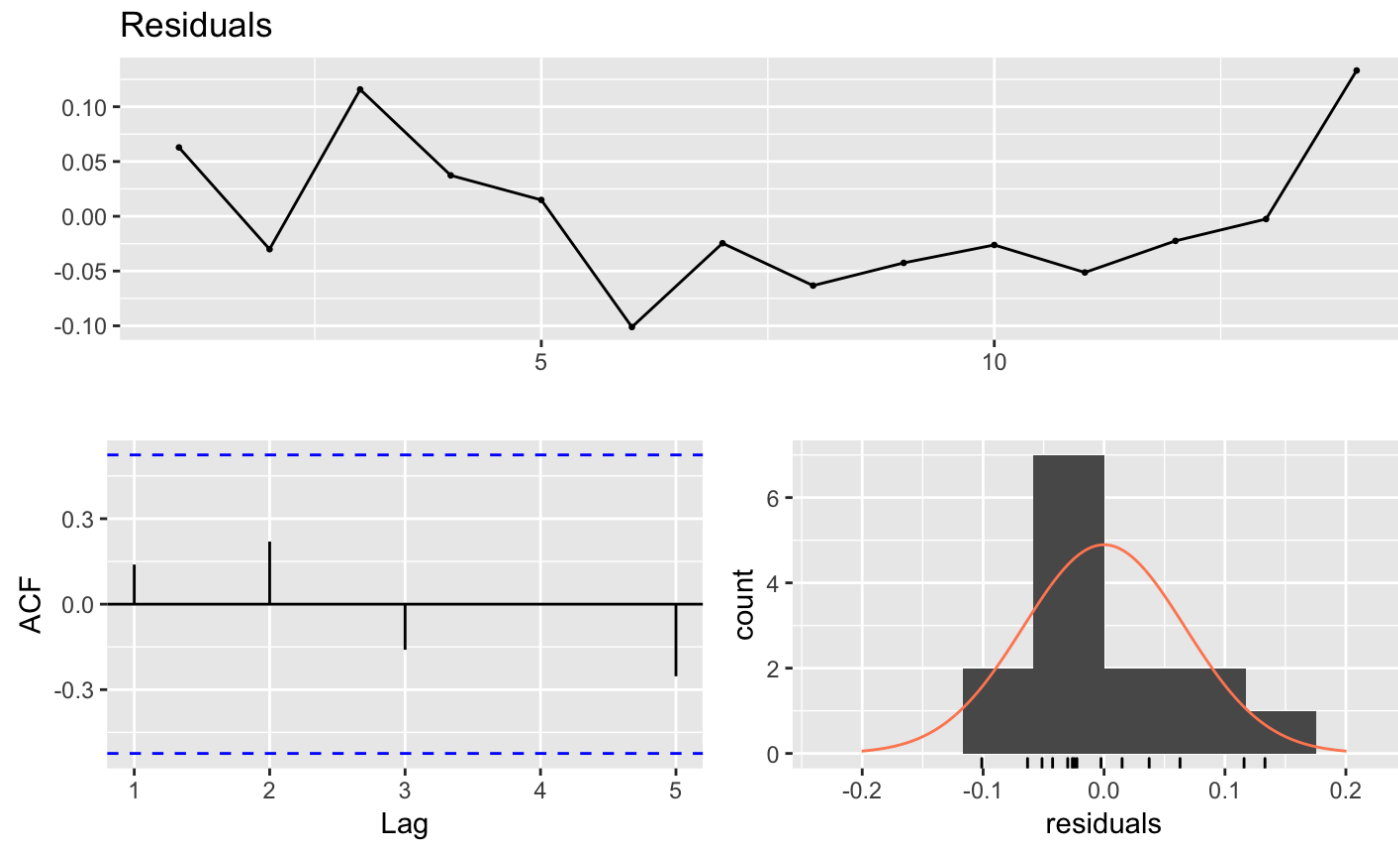
```

```

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.10111 -0.03942 -0.02353  0.03173  0.13309
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.047888   0.248166   0.193   0.853
## x.t          0.003395   0.006640   0.511   0.627
## x.1         -0.005473   0.006651  -0.823   0.442
## x.2          0.004761   0.006617   0.719   0.499
## x.3          0.005952   0.006616   0.900   0.403
## x.4          0.002744   0.006665   0.412   0.695
## x.5          0.001902   0.006736   0.282   0.787
## x.6         -0.004491   0.007273  -0.617   0.560
##
## Residual standard error: 0.09836 on 6 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6964, Adjusted R-squared:  0.3421
## F-statistic: 1.966 on 7 and 6 DF,  p-value: 0.2141
##
## AIC and BIC values for the model:
##      AIC      BIC
## 1 -19.06591 -13.31439

```

```
checkresiduals(model1$model$residuals)
```



According to the significance tests of coefficients in the model, namely, weights of the lag of the predictor variable are all insignificant at 5% level of significance.

Following this inference, adjusted R-square of the model is very low and overall F-test concludes overall insignificance of the model at a 5% level of significance.

As for the residual diagnostics, ACF plot of residuals implies that the residuals are from a white noise series. So, there is no serial correlation left in the series. This is supported by the Breusch-Godfrey test at 5% level of significance.

Histogram of the residuals supports this inference as it is nearly symmetric and spread within the range of -3 and 3.

However, the expected random pattern is not present in the time series plot of residuals.

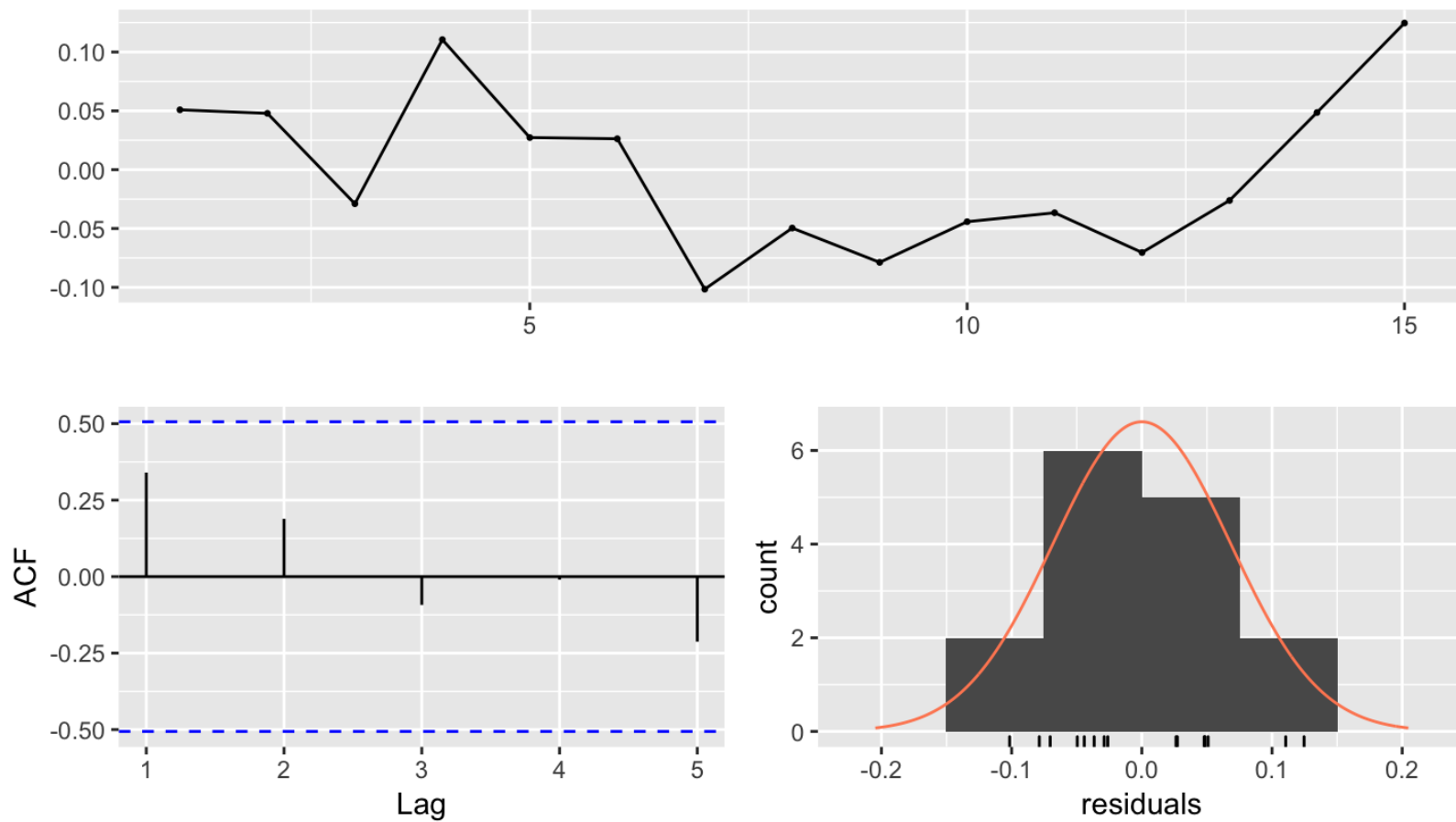
To find the optimal lag length for the finite DLM, we can decrease the value of q one by one and see which lag length give the best results.

```
modell1.5 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,  
              q = 5)  
summary(modell1.5)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.10154 -0.04689 -0.02615  0.04825  0.12461   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  0.024659   0.187884   0.131   0.899      
## x.t          0.001505   0.005565   0.270   0.794      
## x.1         -0.006322   0.006018  -1.050   0.324      
## x.2          0.005210   0.006020   0.865   0.412      
## x.3          0.005665   0.006041   0.938   0.376      
## x.4          0.002474   0.006040   0.410   0.693      
## x.5          0.001242   0.006033   0.206   0.842      
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.09025 on 8 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6633, Adjusted R-squared:  0.4107   
## F-statistic: 2.626 on 6 and 8 DF,  p-value: 0.1035   
##  
## AIC and BIC values for the model:  
##              AIC              BIC   
## 1 -23.01478 -17.35037
```

```
checkresiduals(model1.5$model$residuals)
```

Residuals



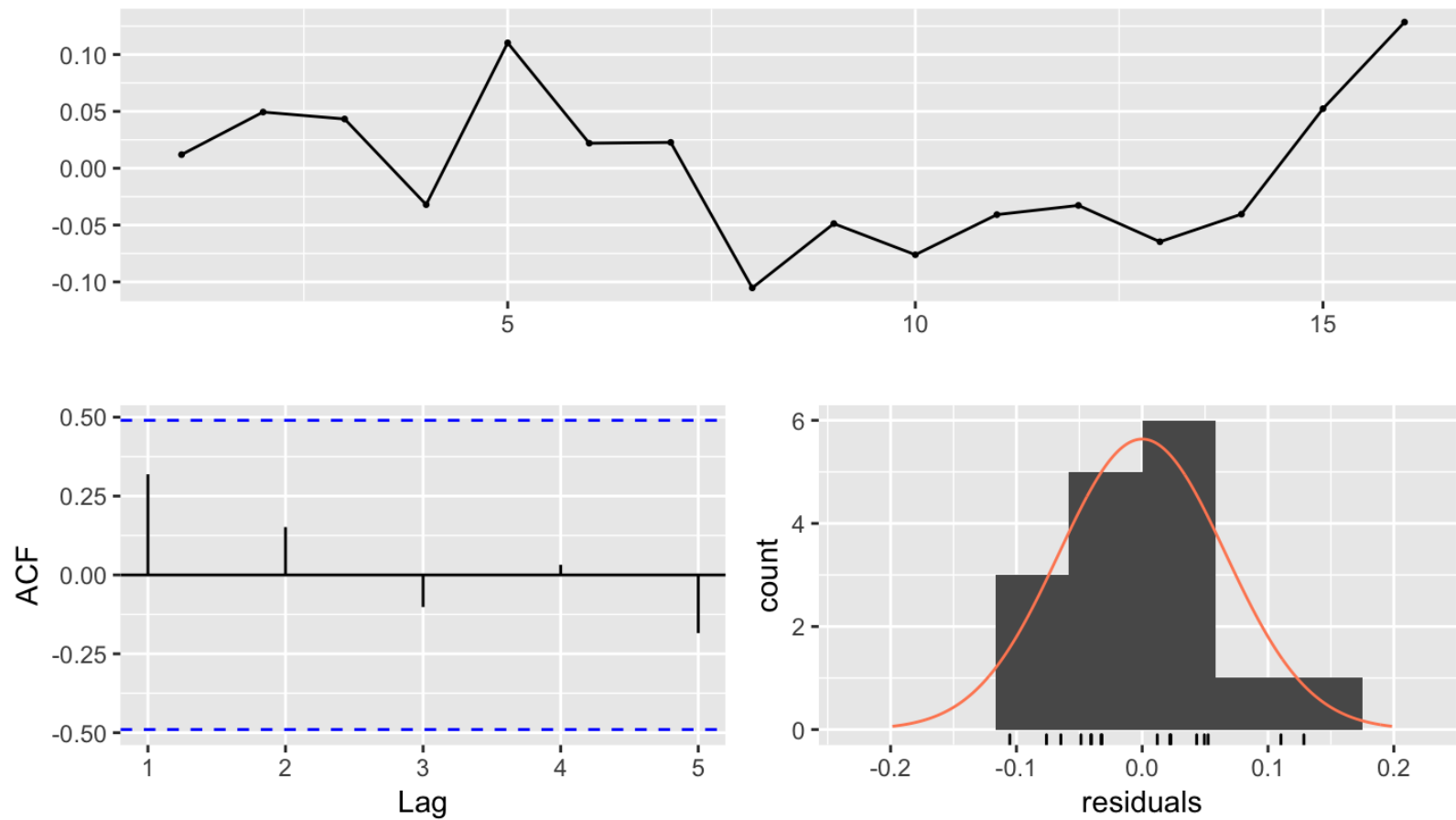
```
modell1.4 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,  
               q = 4)  
summary(modell1.4)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.10524 -0.04279 -0.01002  0.04484  0.12852   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  0.049057   0.145168   0.338    0.742      
## x.t          0.001633   0.004711   0.347    0.736      
## x.1         -0.006204   0.005371  -1.155    0.275      
## x.2          0.005439   0.005330   1.020    0.332      
## x.3          0.005526   0.005378   1.027    0.328      
## x.4          0.002946   0.005106   0.577    0.577      
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.08105 on 10 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.685, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5275   
## F-statistic:  4.35 on 5 and 10 DF, p-value: 0.02307   
##  
## AIC and BIC values for the model:  
##      AIC      BIC   
## 1 -28.51871 -23.11059
```



```
checkresiduals(model1.4$model$residuals)
```

Residuals

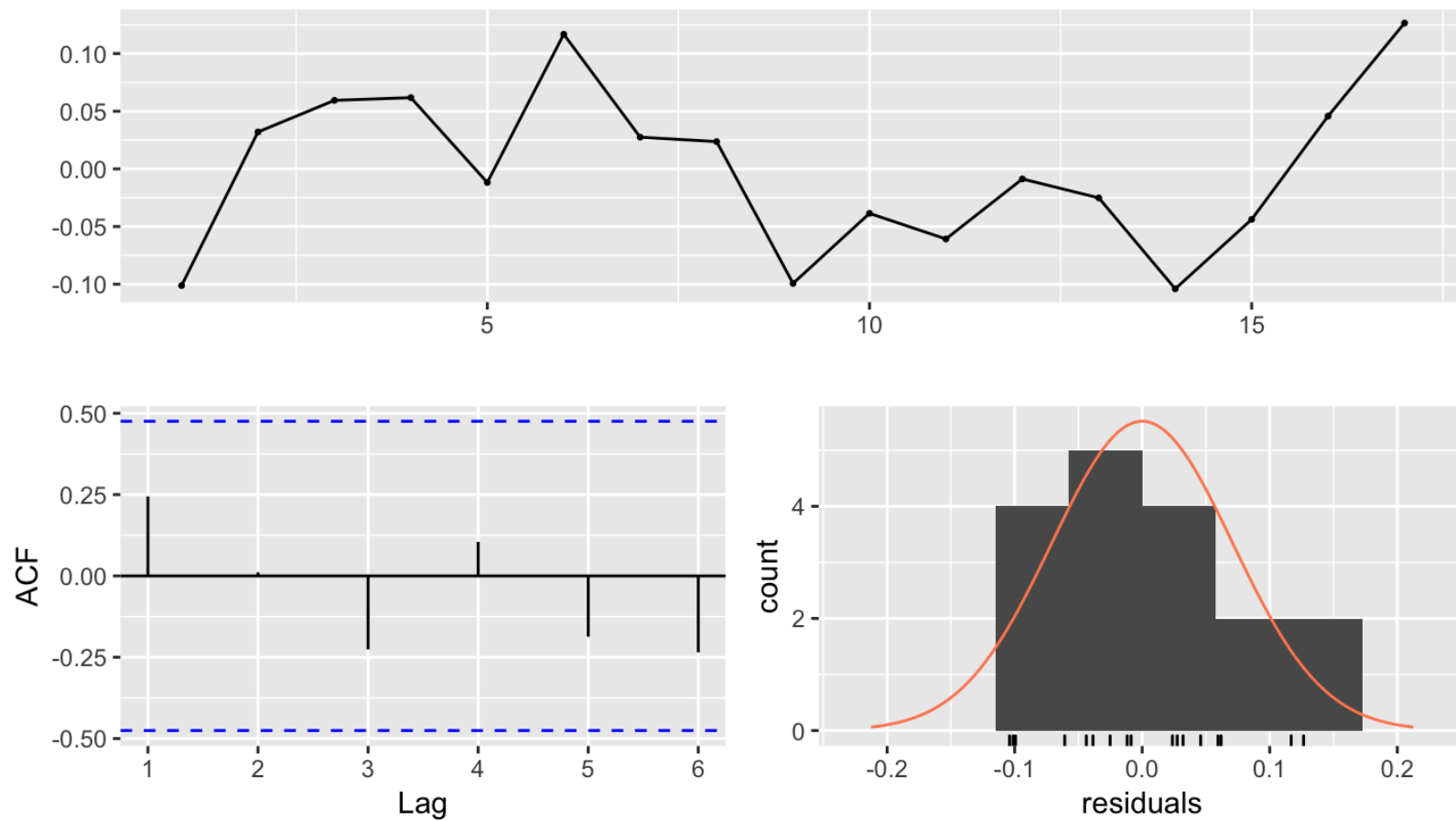


```
modell1.3 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,  
               g = 3)  
summary(modell1.3)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.104038 -0.043813 -0.008735  0.045811  0.126518   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  0.011050   0.129807   0.085    0.934      
## x.t          0.002076   0.004686   0.443    0.666      
## x.1         -0.005666   0.005346  -1.060    0.310      
## x.2          0.006802   0.005299   1.284    0.224      
## x.3          0.006381   0.004970   1.284    0.223      
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.08182 on 12 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6989, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5985   
## F-statistic: 6.963 on 4 and 12 DF,  p-value: 0.003871  
##  
## AIC and BIC values for the model:  
##              AIC              BIC   
## 1 -30.78627 -25.78699
```

```
checkresiduals(model1.3$model$residuals)
```

Residuals

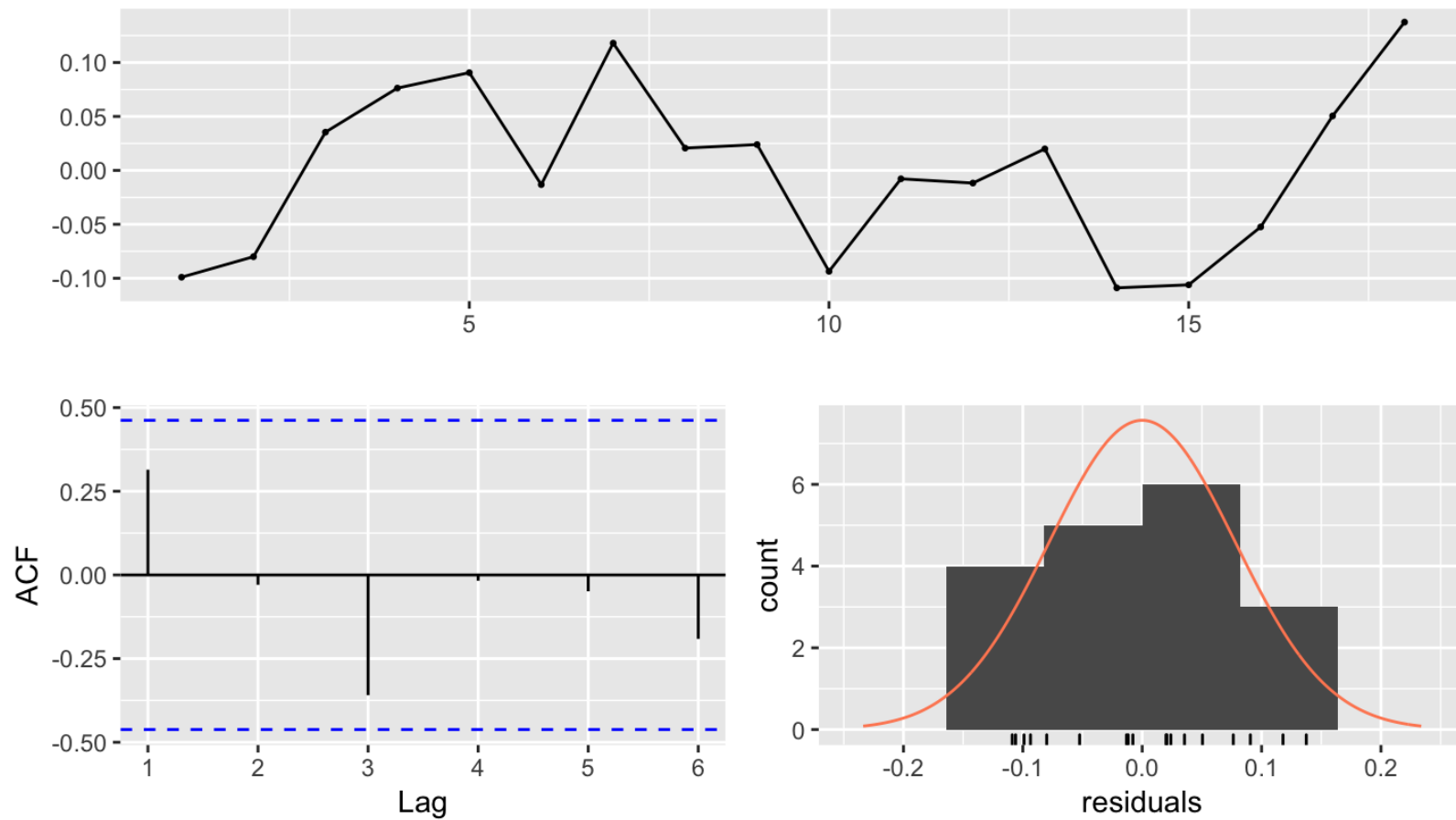


```
modell1.2 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,  
               g = 2)  
summary(modell1.2)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.108891 -0.073097  0.006059  0.046712  0.137438   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept) -0.003001   0.123368  -0.024   0.9809      
## x.t          0.003884   0.004682   0.830   0.4207      
## x.1         -0.004097   0.005519  -0.742   0.4701      
## x.2          0.009564   0.004877   1.961   0.0701 .     
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.08586 on 14 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.676, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6066   
## F-statistic: 9.738 on 3 and 14 DF, p-value: 0.000996  
##  
## AIC and BIC values for the model:  
##      AIC      BIC   
## 1 -31.82274 -27.37088
```

```
checkresiduals(model1.2$model$residuals)
```

Residuals

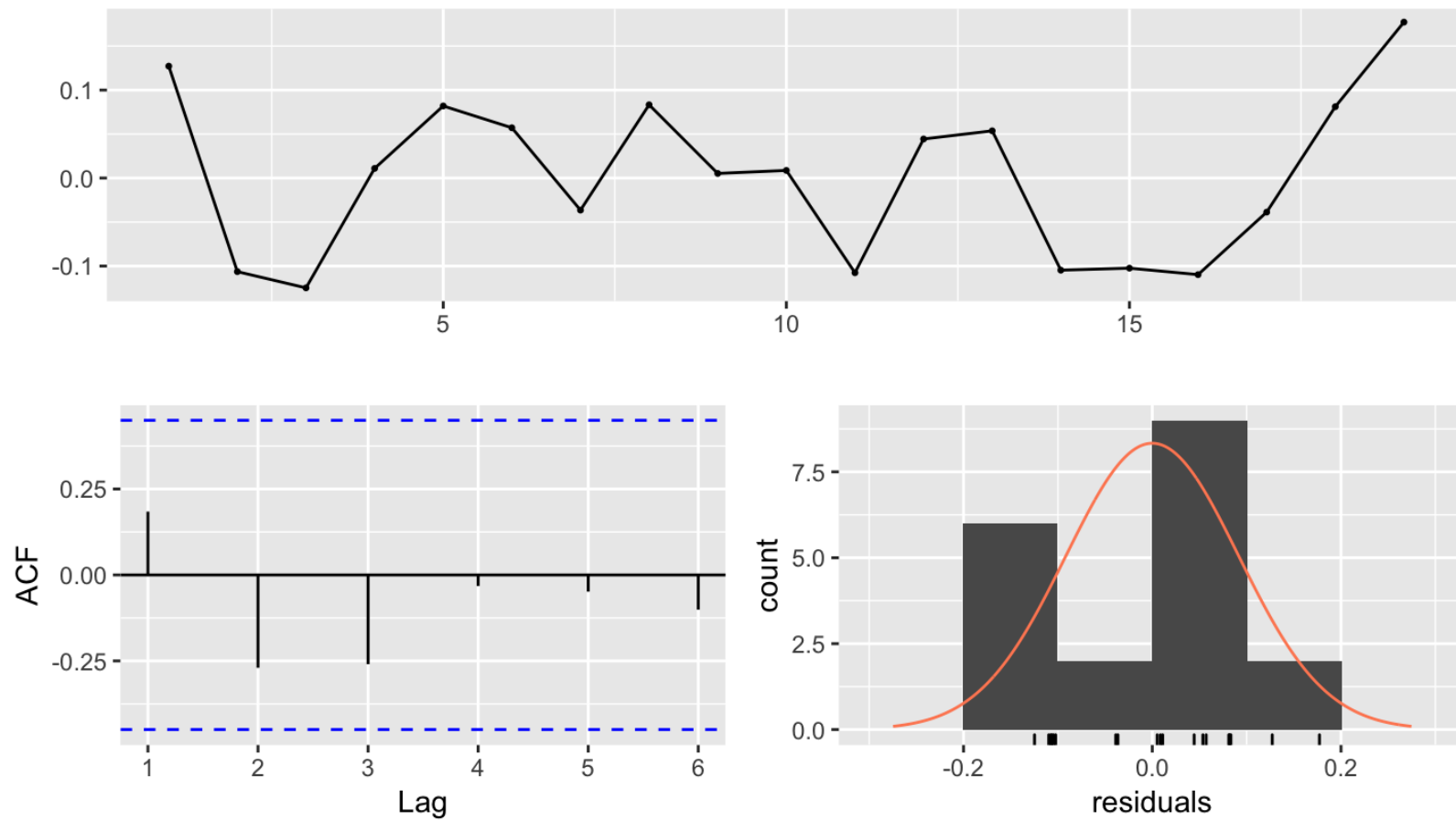


```
modell1.1 = dlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,  
               q = 1)  
summary(modell1.1)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = model.formula, data = design)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.124780 -0.103532  0.008663  0.069110  0.177182   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  0.114531   0.128325   0.893   0.385      
## x.t          0.005146   0.004960   1.038   0.315      
## x.1          0.002308   0.005266   0.438   0.667      
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.09711 on 16 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5264, Adjusted R-squared:  0.4672   
## F-statistic: 8.891 on 2 and 16 DF,  p-value: 0.002532   
##  
## AIC and BIC values for the model:  
##              AIC              BIC   
## 1 -29.95796 -26.18021
```

```
checkresiduals(model1.1$model$residuals)
```

Residuals



```
models.AIC = AIC(model1$model,model1.1$model,model1.2$model,model1.3$model,
                 model1.4$model,model1.5$model)
models.BIC = BIC(model1$model,model1.1$model,model1.2$model,model1.3$model,
                 model1.4$model,model1.5$model)
sort.score(models.AIC, "aic")
```

```
##           df      AIC
## model1.2$model  5 -31.82274
## model1.3$model  6 -30.78627
## model1.1$model  4 -29.95796
## model1.4$model  7 -28.51871
## model1.5$model  8 -23.01478
## model1$model    9 -19.06591
```

```
sort.score(models.BIC, "bic")
```

```
##           df      BIC
## model1.2$model  5 -27.37088
## model1.1$model  4 -26.18021
## model1.3$model  6 -25.78699
## model1.4$model  7 -23.11059
## model1.5$model  8 -17.35037
## model1$model    9 -13.31439
```


The model with $q = 2$ gives the best fit in terms of both AIC and BIC. In terms of adjusted R-square, this model is the best one too.

In all models, none of the coefficients is found significant at 5% level of significance. Only the second lag of the number of produced vehicles is significant at 10% in the model with $q = 2$.

This means that when global warming is explained by the number of vehicles produced over the world, including two lags of the vehicle production series in the model gives the best model fit among those fitted.

We can roughly conclude that the global warming at year t can be related with the vehicle production number of year $t - 2$.

To check the multicollinearity issue, we have the following VIF values.

```
VIF.model1 = vif(model1.2$model)
VIF.model1 > 10
```

```
##   x.t   x.1   x.2
## FALSE TRUE FALSE
```

```
VIF.model1 = vif(model1.3$model)
VIF.model1 > 10
```

```
##   x.t   x.1   x.2   x.3
## FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

According to the VIF values, there is no multicollinearity problem for the model with $q = 3$.

The model with $q = 2$ is slightly affected by the multicollinearity.

Let's fit a 3rd order polynomial distributed lag model with $q = 3$.

```
model2 = polyDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) ,  
                 y = as.vector(warming$Warming),  
                 q = 3 , k = 3, show.beta = FALSE )  
summary(model2)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + X.t"  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.104038 -0.043813 -0.008735  0.045811  0.126518   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  0.011050   0.129807   0.085    0.934      
## z.t0         0.002076   0.004686   0.443    0.666      
## z.t1        -0.028880   0.025812  -1.119    0.285      
## z.t2         0.026655   0.023085   1.155    0.271      
## z.t3        -0.005517   0.005091  -1.084    0.300      
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.08182 on 12 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6989, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5985   
## F-statistic: 6.963 on 4 and 12 DF,  p-value: 0.003871
```

We will also fit a 2nd order model with $q = 2$ using the following code chunk:

```
model2.1 = polyDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) ,  
                  y = as.vector(warming$Warming),  
                  q = 2 , k = 2, show.beta = TRUE )
```

```
## Estimates and t-tests for beta coefficients:  
##      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## beta.0  0.00388    0.00468   0.830  0.4190  
## beta.1 -0.00410    0.00552  -0.742  0.4690  
## beta.2  0.00956    0.00488   1.960  0.0675
```

```
summary(model2.1)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + X.t"  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -0.108891 -0.073097  0.006059  0.046712  0.137438   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)   
## (Intercept) -0.003001   0.123368  -0.024   0.981   
## z.t0         0.003884   0.004682   0.830   0.421   
## z.t1        -0.018802   0.016985  -1.107   0.287   
## z.t2         0.010821   0.008265   1.309   0.212   
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.08586 on 14 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.676, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6066   
## F-statistic: 9.738 on 3 and 14 DF, p-value: 0.000996
```

```
aic.sort =AIC(model1$model,model1.1$model,model1.2$model,model1.3$model,model1.4$model,model1.5$model,
              model2$model, model2.1$model)
sort.score(aic.sort, "aic")
```

```
##           df      AIC
## model2.1$model  5 -31.82274
## model1.2$model  5 -31.82274
## model2$model    6 -30.78627
## model1.3$model  6 -30.78627
## model1.1$model  4 -29.95796
## model1.4$model  7 -28.51871
## model1.5$model  8 -23.01478
## model1$model    9 -19.06591
```

```
VIF.model2.1 = vif(model2.1$model)
VIF.model2.1 > 10
```

```
## z.t0 z.t1 z.t2
## TRUE TRUE TRUE
```

We couldn't find a better model in terms of overall significance tests, AIC, and adjusted r-squared measures with polynomial models.

model1.2 is still better in terms of multicollinearity.

The Koyck transformation to relax the necessity of specification of lag length parameter.

```
model3 = koyckDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) )
summary(model3)
```

```
##
## Call:
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + Y.l + X.t"
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.135894 -0.090056  0.003193  0.076844  0.143812
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.060814   0.136314   0.446   0.6615
## Y.l          0.239589   0.331208   0.723   0.4799
## X.t          0.006074   0.002814   2.158   0.0464 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.09509 on 16 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-Squared:  0.5459, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4891
## Wald test: 9.655 on 2 and 16 DF, p-value: 0.001777
##
##              alpha      beta      phi
## Geometric coefficients: 0.07997527 0.006074464 0.2395892
```

```
summary(model3$model, diagnostics = TRUE)
```

```
##
## Call:
## "Y ~ (Intercept) + Y.l + X.t"
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.135894 -0.090056  0.003193  0.076844  0.143812
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.060814   0.136314   0.446   0.6615
## Y.l          0.239589   0.331208   0.723   0.4799
## X.t          0.006074   0.002814   2.158   0.0464 *
##
## Diagnostic tests:
##              df1 df2 statistic p-value
## Weak instruments    1  16    57.710 1.08e-06 ***
## Wu-Hausman         1  15     0.272   0.61
## Sargan              0  NA        NA      NA
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.09509 on 16 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-Squared:  0.5459, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4891
## Wald test: 9.655 on 2 and 16 DF, p-value: 0.001777
```

We got a significant model ($p\text{-value} = 0.001777$) with one significant coefficient at 5% and a lower adjusted r -squared value with the Koyck's transformation.

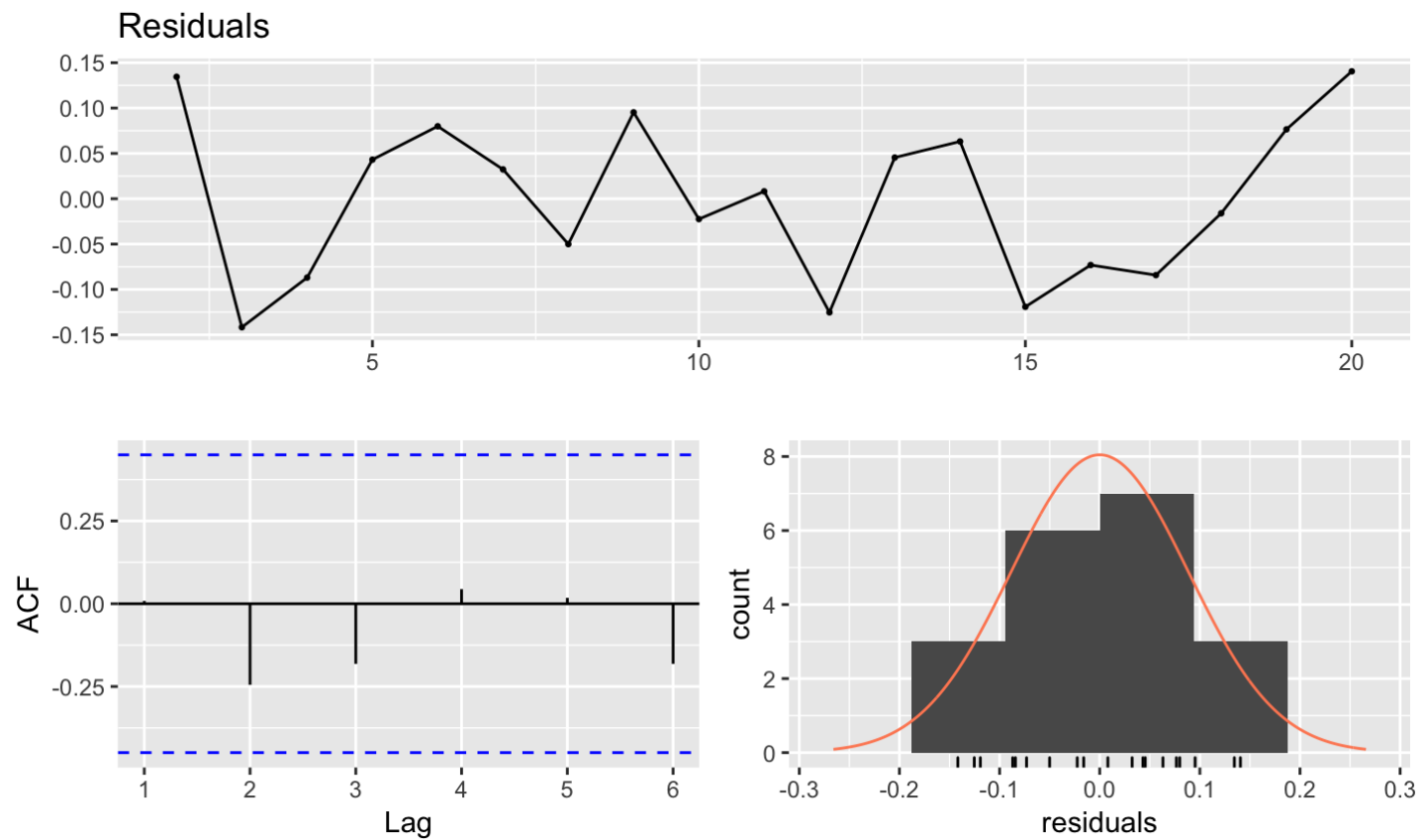
We can consider different lags and orders of differences in the vehicle production series using ARDL models to obtain a better fitting model for the global warming data.

So, we will have a bunch of alternative ARDL models.


```
model4_11 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,
                    p = 1 , q = 1 )
summary(model4_11)
```

```
##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 2, End = 20
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.14169 -0.07864  0.00813  0.06984  0.14050
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.051747   0.142742   0.363   0.722
## X.t          0.002860   0.005457   0.524   0.608
## X.1          0.002754   0.005284   0.521   0.610
## Y.1          0.317368   0.316285   1.003   0.332
##
## Residual standard error: 0.09709 on 15 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5562, Adjusted R-squared:  0.4674
## F-statistic: 6.266 on 3 and 15 DF, p-value: 0.005711
```

```
checkresiduals(model4_11$model, lag = 5)
```



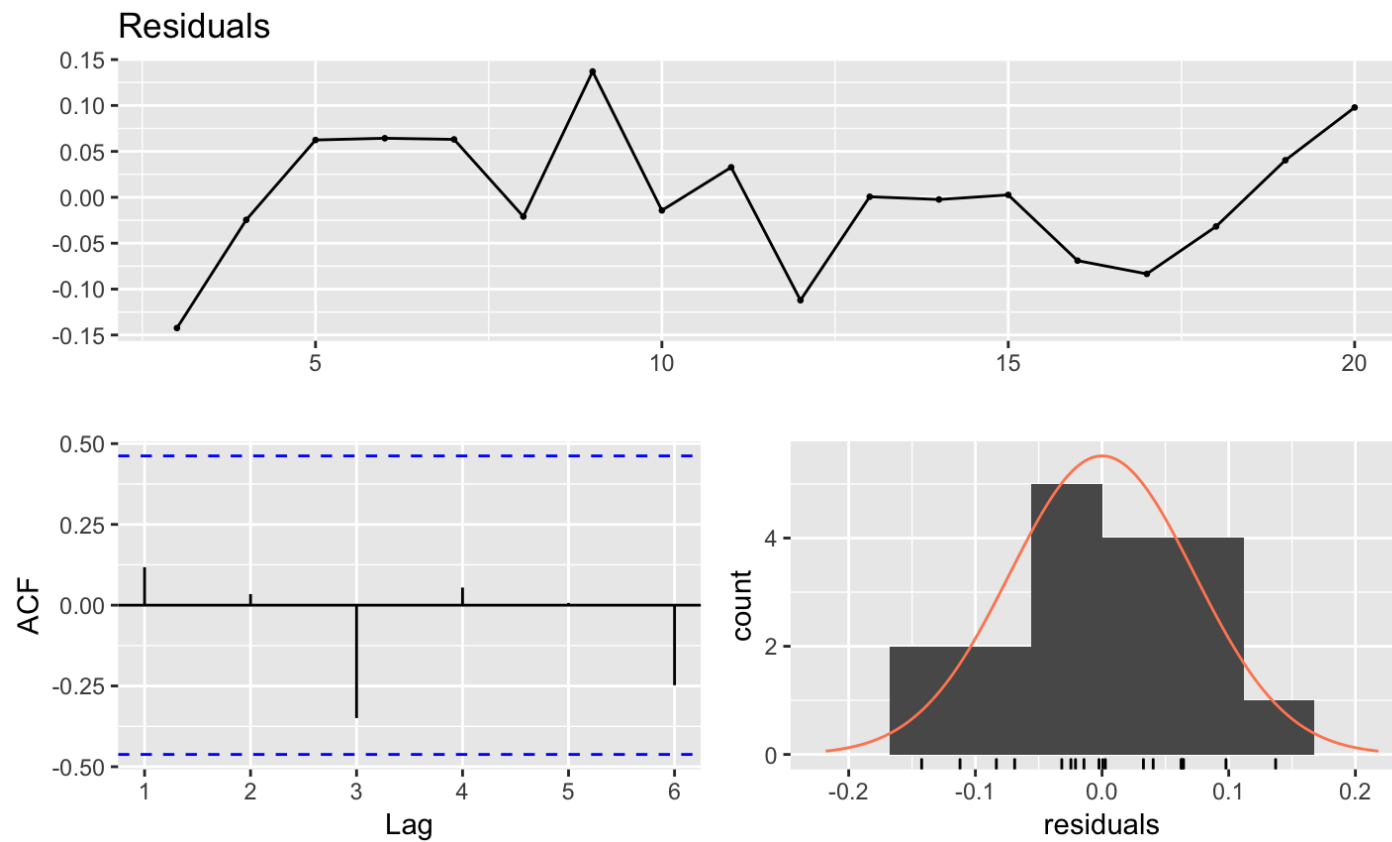
```
##  
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 5  
##  
## data: Residuals  
## LM test = 5.1517, df = 5, p-value = 0.3976
```

```
# When you set lag = 5, Breusch-Godfrey test implemented with max. lag 5.  
# Consider the length of series while choosing the lag.
```

```
model4_22 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,
                    p = 2 , q = 2 )
summary(model4_22)
```

```
##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 3, End = 20
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.142405 -0.029983 -0.000886  0.056912  0.137029
##
## Coefficients:
##      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -0.055175   0.160759  -0.343   0.7374
## X.t          0.001315   0.005122   0.257   0.8017
## X.1         -0.003099   0.005897  -0.526   0.6088
## X.2          0.009506   0.004949   1.921   0.0788 .
## Y.1          0.369614   0.283103   1.306   0.2162
## Y.2         -0.096219   0.312320  -0.308   0.7633
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.08656 on 12 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7178, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6002
## F-statistic: 6.105 on 5 and 12 DF, p-value: 0.004892
```

```
checkresiduals(model4_22$model, lag = 6)
```



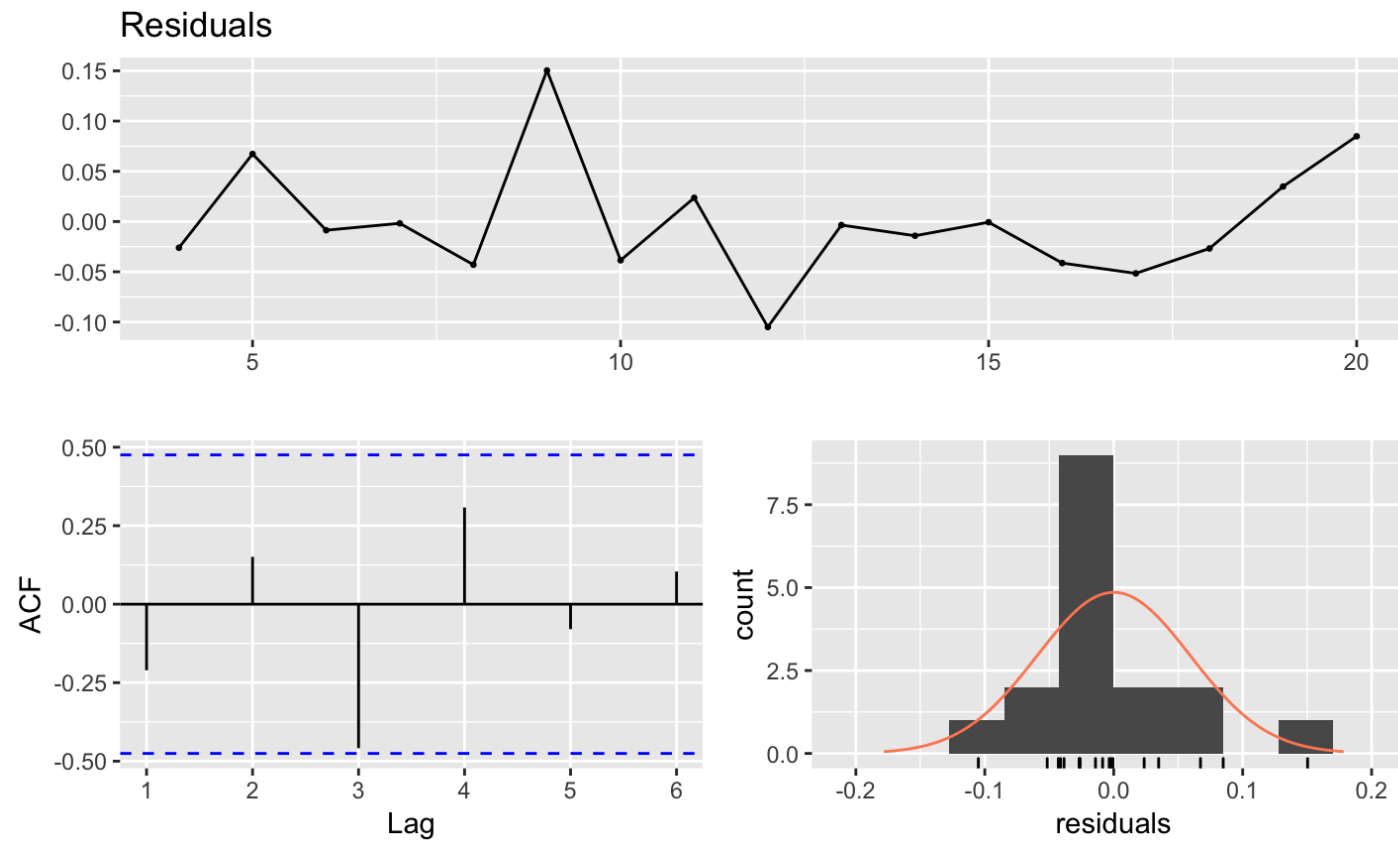
```
##  
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 6  
##  
## data: Residuals  
## LM test = 9.3354, df = 6, p-value = 0.1556
```

```
# To show the impact of changing lag to 6. Now the BG test is applied with max lag 6.
```

```
model4_23 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,
summary(model4_23)
```

```
##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 4, End = 20
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.104997 -0.038551 -0.008629  0.023608  0.150351
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.0966860  0.1707367   0.566   0.5837
## X.t          -0.0001548  0.0045095  -0.034   0.9733
## X.1          -0.0042652  0.0051504  -0.828   0.4269
## X.2           0.0113804  0.0045366   2.509   0.0310 *
## Y.1           0.5614059  0.2754017   2.038   0.0688 .
## Y.2          -0.2037371  0.2750291  -0.741   0.4759
## Y.3          -0.2292843  0.2812879  -0.815   0.4340
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.07518 on 10 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7882, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6611
## F-statistic: 6.201 on 6 and 10 DF, p-value: 0.006082
```

```
checkresiduals(model4_23$model, lag = 5)
```

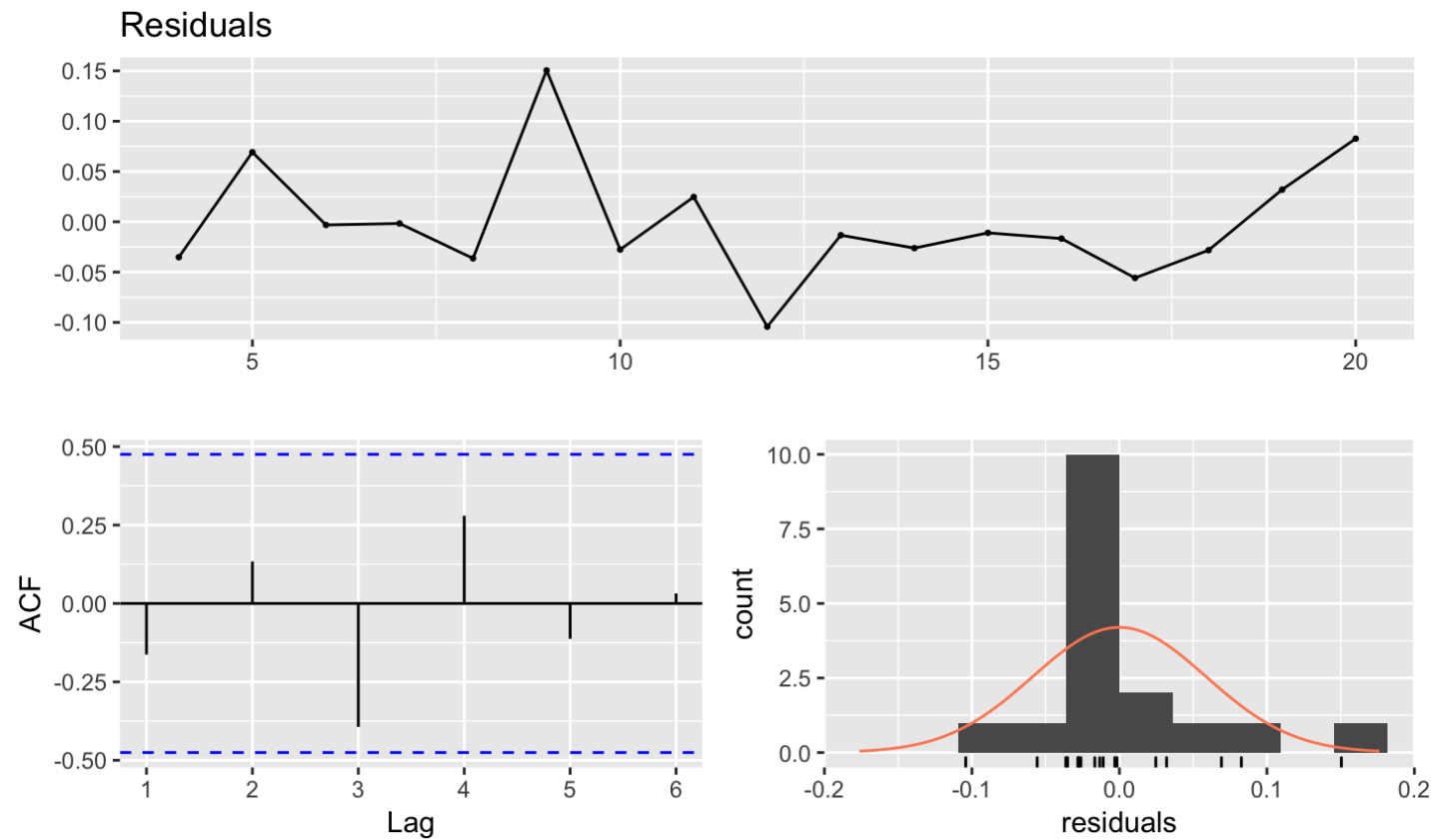


```
##  
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 5  
##  
## data: Residuals  
## LM test = 6.6653, df = 5, p-value = 0.2467
```

```
model4_33 = ardlDlm(x = as.vector(warming$NoMotorVehicles) , y = as.vector(warming$Warming) ,
p = 3 , q = 3 )
summary(model4_33)
```

```
##
## Time series regression with "ts" data:
## Start = 4, End = 20
##
## Call:
## dynlm(formula = as.formula(model.text), data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.10420 -0.02818 -0.01330  0.02469  0.15049
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  0.0788211  0.1822269   0.433  0.6755
## X.t          -0.0004881  0.0047566  -0.103  0.9205
## X.1          -0.0045135  0.0053954  -0.837  0.4245
## X.2           0.0101365  0.0054625   1.856  0.0965 .
## X.3           0.0023571  0.0051843   0.455  0.6601
## Y.1           0.5119456  0.3069451   1.668  0.1297
## Y.2          -0.1807191  0.2910697  -0.621  0.5501
## Y.3          -0.2208551  0.2937415  -0.752  0.4713
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.07835 on 9 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7929, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6319
## F-statistic: 4.923 on 7 and 9 DF, p-value: 0.01528
```

```
checkresiduals(model4_33$model, lag = 5)
```



```
##  
## Breusch-Godfrey test for serial correlation of order up to 5  
##  
## data: Residuals  
## LM test = 7.0641, df = 5, p-value = 0.2159
```



```

aic.sort =AIC(model1$model,model1.1$model,model1.2$model,model1.3$model,model1.4$model,model1.5$model,
              model2$model, model2.1$model,model4_11$model,model4_22$model,model4_23$model,
              model4_33$model)
sort.score(aic.sort, "aic")

```

##		df	AIC
##	model4_23\$model	8	-32.76439
##	model2.1\$model	5	-31.82274
##	model1.2\$model	5	-31.82274
##	model4_33\$model	9	-31.15044
##	model2\$model	6	-30.78627
##	model1.3\$model	6	-30.78627
##	model4_22\$model	7	-30.30744
##	model1.1\$model	4	-29.95796
##	model4_11\$model	5	-29.19234
##	model1.4\$model	7	-28.51871
##	model1.5\$model	8	-23.01478
##	model1\$model	9	-19.06591

The model including the first and second lags of vehicle production series and first, second and third lags of the global warming series, namely `model14_23`, is the best one in terms of AIC, R-square and the number of significant coefficients.

According to ARDL(2,3) model, we can conclude that global warming might be related with its levels in the past three years and vehicle production in the past two years.

However, this is not a strong conclusion due to the moderate level of the adjusted R-square, which tells us that there are some other variables related with global warming need to be added to the model.

Lastly, we will have a check with the VIF values to see if the promising models suffer from the multicollinearity.

```
vif(model4_23$model)
```

```
##          X.t L(X.t, 1) L(X.t, 2) L(y.t, 1) L(y.t, 2) L(y.t, 3)
## 9.302806 10.863252  7.873274  2.545559  1.669569  1.669344
```

As there is no VIF value greater than 10 for `model4_23`, we can conclude that there is no violation of assumptions in terms of multicollinearity.

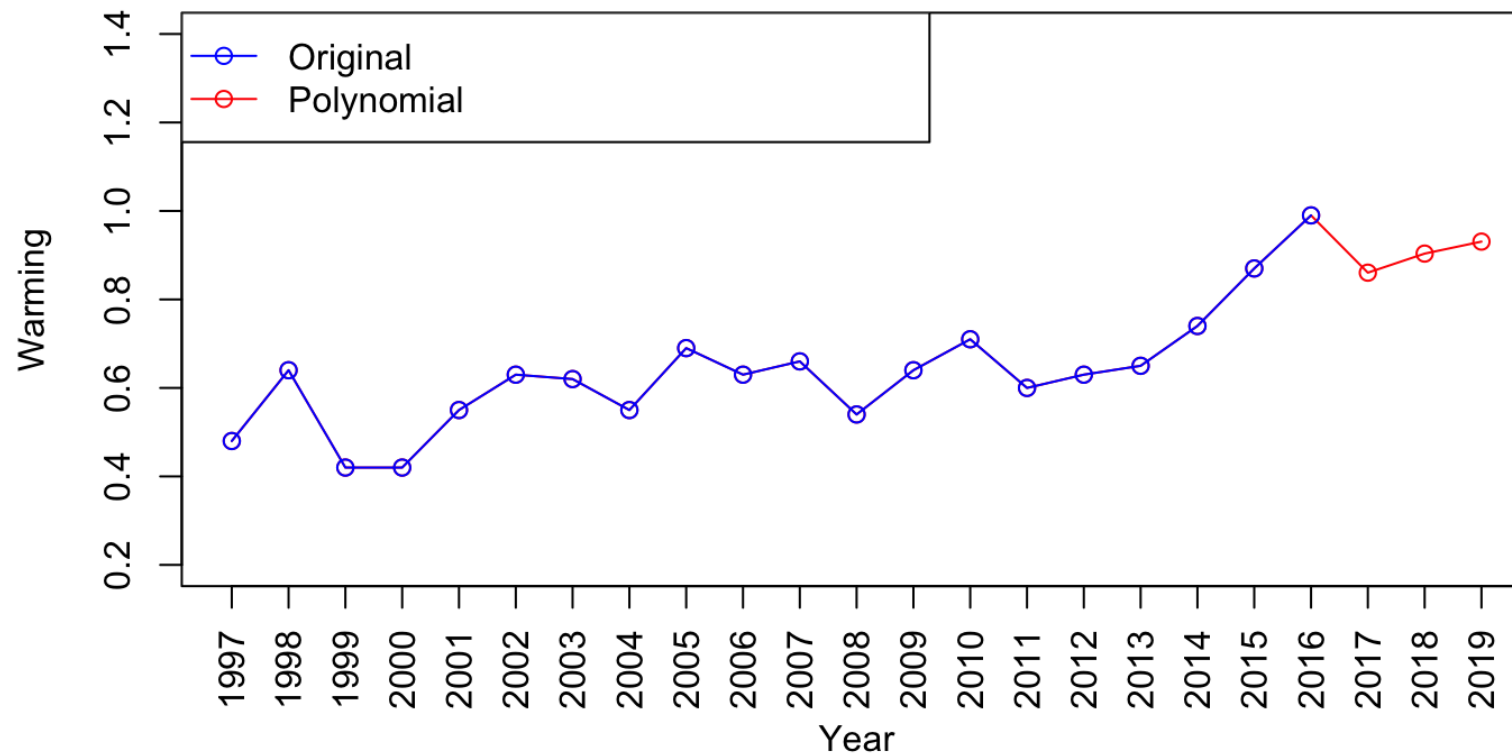
Let's generate forecasts of global warming over polynomial, Koykc's and ARDL models for three years of vehicle production of 95, 99, and 110 millions.

```
frc.model2 = dLagM::forecast(model = model2, x = c(95 , 99 , 110) , h = 3)$forecasts  
frc.model2
```

```
## [1] 0.8604999 0.9036200 0.9307237
```

```
plot(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model2), start = 1997), type="o", xaxt="n", col="Red", ylim= c(0.2, 1.4), ylab = "Warming")
axis(1, at = seq(1997, 2031, by = 1), las=2)
lines(ts(as.vector(warming$Warming), start = 1997), col="Blue", type="o")
legend("topleft", lty=1, pch = 1, text.width = 11, col=c("blue", "red"), c("Original", "Polynomial"))
```

Global warming series with three years ahead forecasts

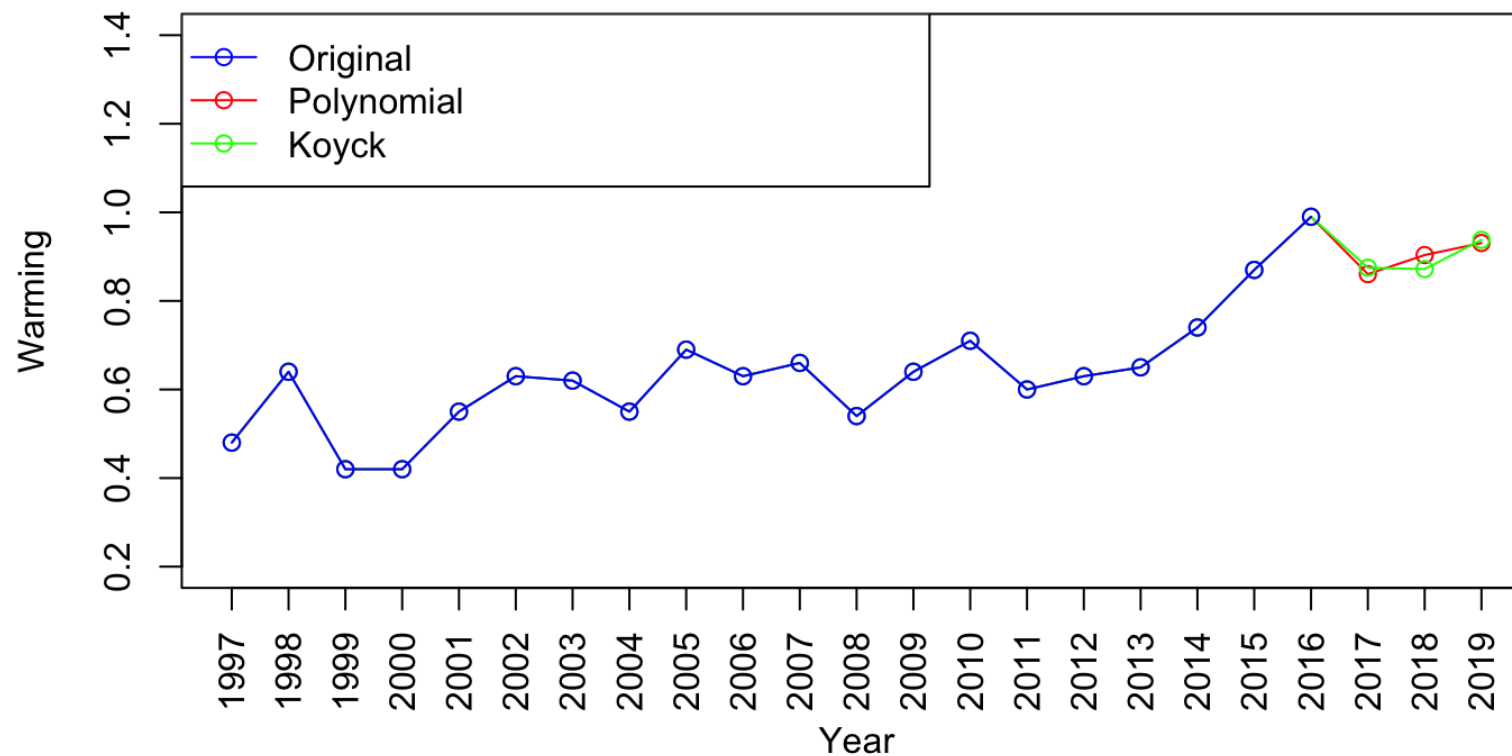


```
frc.model3 = dLagM::forecast(model = model3, x = c(95 , 99 , 110) , h = 3)$forecasts  
frc.model3
```

```
## [1] 0.8750814 0.8718461 0.9378900
```

```
plot(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model2), start = 1997), type="o", xaxt="n", col="Red", ylim= c(0.2, 1.4), ylab = "Warming")
axis(1, at = seq(1997, 2031, by = 1), las=2)
lines(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model3), start = 1997), col="Green", type="o")
lines(ts(as.vector(warming$Warming), start = 1997), col="Blue", type="o")
legend("topleft", lty=1, pch = 1, text.width = 11, col=c("blue", "red", "green"), c("Original", "Polynomial", "Koyck"))
```

Global warming series with three years ahead forecasts



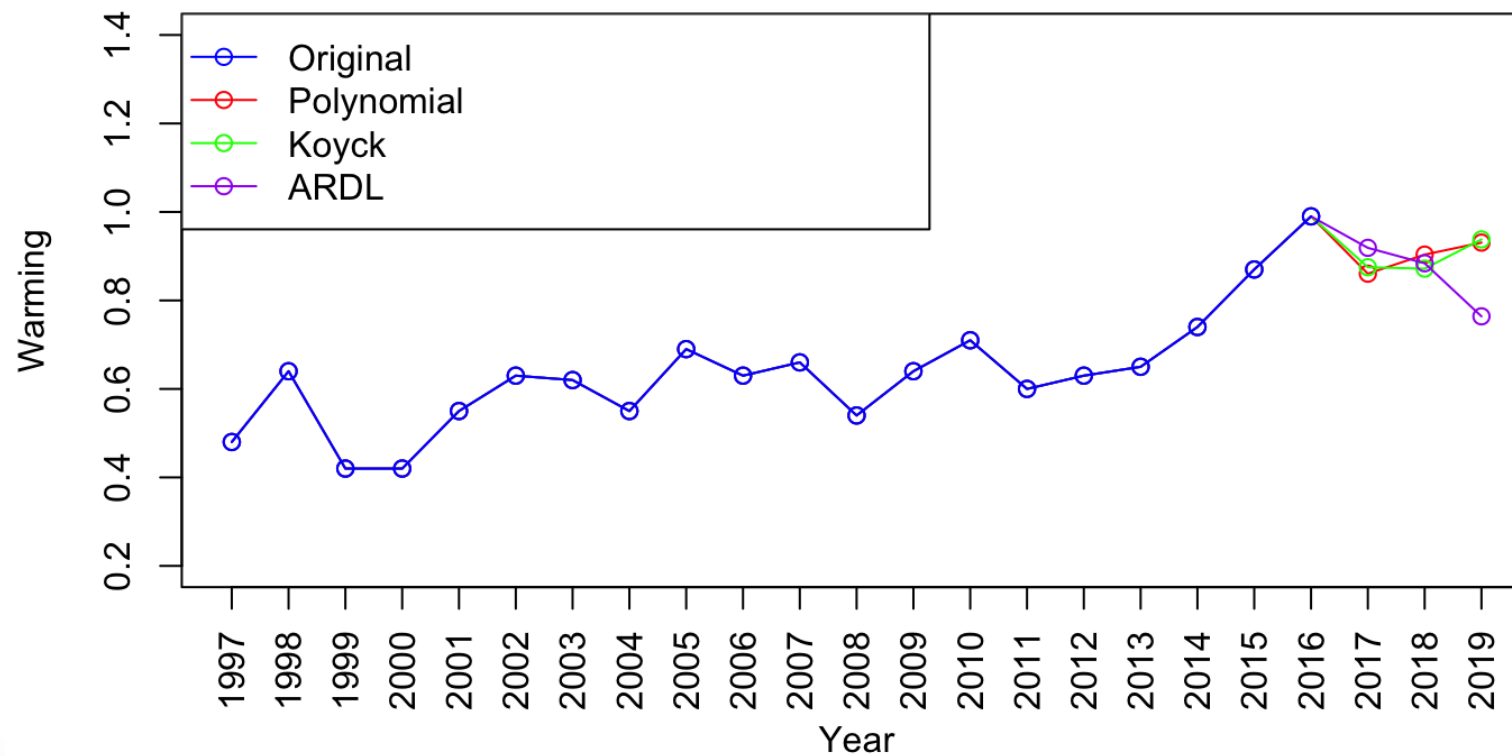
```
frc.model4_23 = dLagM::forecast(model = model4_23, x = c(95 , 99 , 110) , h = 3)$forecasts  
frc.model4_23
```

```
## [1] 0.9188781 0.8840142 0.7640843
```



```
plot(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model2), start = 1997), type="o", xaxt="n", col="Red", ylim= c(0.2, 1.4), ylab = "Warming")
axis(1, at = seq(1997, 2031, by = 1), las=2)
lines(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model3), start = 1997), col="Green", type="o")
lines(ts(c(as.vector(warming$Warming), frc.model4 23), start = 1997), col="purple", type="o")
lines(ts(as.vector(warming$Warming), start = 1997), col="Blue", type="o")
legend("topleft", lty=1, pch = 1, text.width = 11, col=c("blue", "red", "green", "purple"), c("Original", "Polynomial", "Koyck", "ARDL"))
```

Global warming series with three years ahead forecasts



According to the best model, ARDL(2,3), we expect a downward movement in global warming for the next three years based on the given dataset.

Polynomial and Koyck models produced similar forecasts for the warming series.

Summary

In this module, we worked on the inclusion of an independent variable into the time series analysis through different regression approaches. We focused on

- finite distributed lag model, where we need to choose the lag length and deal with multicollinearity;
- polynomial distributed lag model, which addresses the collinearity by changing lag weights smoothly;
- the infinite distributed lag model removes the need to specify lag length but it is impossible to fit the model in its straightforward form;
- to be able to fit the model, we used geometric lag weights and converted the model to a form in which we can fit the model;

- to find the parameter estimated we transformed the geometrically distributed lag model into Koyck form and came up with a finite number of parameters to be estimated.
- Lastly, we discussed the calculation of forecasts for the considered distributed lag models.

What's next

- Dynamic linear regression for time series
 - Intervention analysis
 - Spurious correlation
 - Prewhitening

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