

# Lecture 14

## Time Series Analysis

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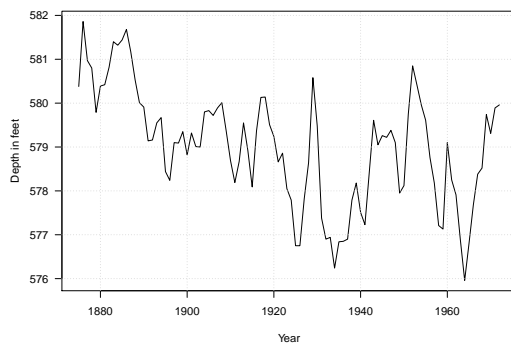
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### Level of Lake Huron 1875–1972

Annual measurements of the level of Lake Huron in feet.  
[Source: [Brockwell & Davis, 1991](#)]



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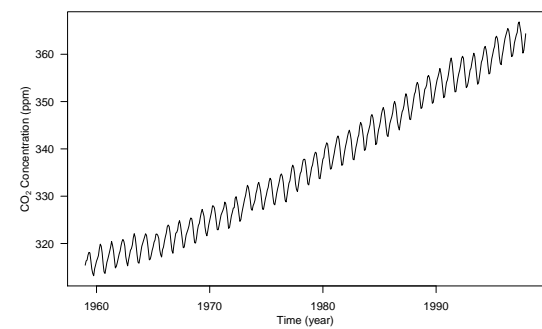
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Mauna Loa Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> Concentration

Monthly atmospheric concentrations of CO<sub>2</sub> at the Mauna Loa Observatory [Source: Keeling & Whorf, Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO)]



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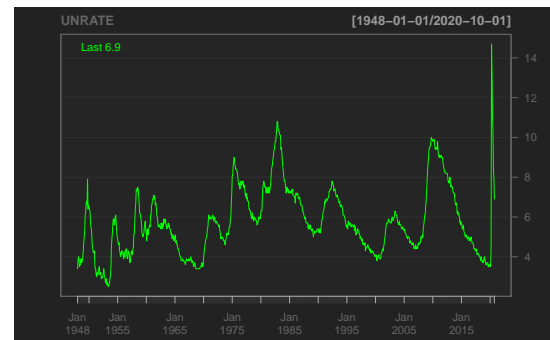
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US Unemployment Rate 1948 Jan. – 2020 Oct.



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Time Series Data & Models

- A **time series** is a set of observations made sequentially in time
- **Time series analysis** is the area of statistics which deals with the analysis of **dependency** between different observations in time series data
- A **time series model** is a probabilistic model that describes ways that the series data  $\{y_t\}$  could have been generated
- More specifically, a time series model is usually a probability model for  $\{Y_t : t \in T\}$ , **a collection of random variables indexed in time**

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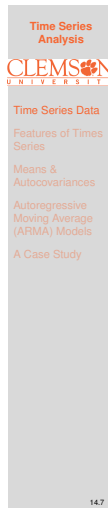
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## Some Objectives of Time Series Analysis

- Find a **statistical model** that adequately explains the **dependence** observed in a time series
- To conduct **statistical inferences**, e.g., Is there evidence of a decreasing trend in the Lake Huron depths?
- To **forecast** future values of the time series based on those we have already observed



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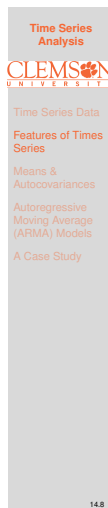
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## Features of Times Series

- **Trends**
  - One can think of trend,  $\mu_t$ , as continuous changes, usually in the mean, over longer time scales
  - Usually the form of the trend is unknown and needs to be estimated. When the trend is removed, we obtain a **detrended** series
- **Seasonal or periodic components**
  - A seasonal component  $s_t$  constantly repeats itself in time, i.e.,  $s_t = s_{t+kd}$
  - We need to estimate the form and/or the period  $d$  of the seasonal component to **deseasonalize** the series
- **The "noise" process**
  - The noise process,  $\eta_t$ , is the component that is neither trend nor seasonality
  - We will focus on finding plausible (typically stationary) statistical models for this process



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## Combining Trend, Seasonality, and Noise Together

There are two commonly used approaches

- **Additive model:**

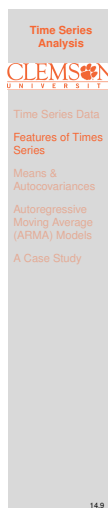
$$y_t = \mu_t + s_t + \eta_t$$

- **Multiplicative model:**

$$y_t = \mu_t s_t \eta_t$$

If all  $\{y_t\}$  are positive then we obtain the additive model by taking logarithms:

$$\log y_t = \log \mu_t + \log s_t + \log \eta_t$$



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Mean and Autocovariance

- The mean function of  $\{Y_t\}$  is

$$\mu_t = E[Y_t], \quad t \in T$$

- The autocovariance function of  $\{Y_t\}$  is

$$\gamma(t, t') = \text{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t'}) = E[(Y_t - \mu_t)(Y_{t'} - \mu_{t'})], \quad t, t' \in T$$

When  $t = t'$  we obtain  
 $\gamma(t, t') = \text{Cov}(Y_t, Y_t) = \text{Var}(Y_t) = \sigma_t^2$ , the variance function of  $Y_t$

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Autocorrelation Function

The autocorrelation function (ACF) of  $\{Y_t\}$  is

$$\rho(t, t') = \text{Corr}(Y_t, Y_{t'}) = \frac{\gamma(t, t')}{\sqrt{\gamma(t, t)\gamma(t', t')}}.$$

It measures the strength of linear association between  $Y_t$  and  $Y_{t'}$

Properties:

- 1  $-1 \leq \rho(t, t') \leq 1, \quad t, t' \in T$
- 2  $\rho(t, t') = \rho(t', t), \quad \forall t, t' \in T; \rho(t, t) = 1, \quad \forall t \in T$
- 3  $\rho(t, t')$  is a non-negative definite function

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Stationary Processes

We will still try to keep our models for  $\{\eta_t\}$  as simple as possible by assuming stationarity, meaning that some characteristic of  $\{\eta_t\}$  does not depend on the time points, only on the “time lag” between time points:

- $E[\eta_t] = 0, \quad \forall t \in T$
- $\text{Cov}(\eta_t, \eta_{t'}) = \gamma(t' - t) = \text{Cov}(\eta_{t+s}, \eta_{t'+s})$

⇒ autocorrelation function (ACF):

$$\rho(h) = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)}$$

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Autoregressive Moving Average (ARMA) Models

Let  $\{Z_t\}$  be independent and identical random variables that follow  $N(0, \sigma^2)$

- Moving Average Processes (MA(q)):  
 $\eta_t = Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \theta_2 Z_{t-2} \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$
- Autoregressive Processes (AR(p)):  
 $\eta_t = \phi_1 \eta_{t-1} + \phi_2 \eta_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p \eta_{t-p} + Z_t$
- Autoregressive Moving Average Processes ARMA(p,q):  $\eta_t = \phi_1 \eta_{t-1} + \phi_2 \eta_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p \eta_{t-p} + Z_t + \theta_1 Z_{t-1} + \theta_2 Z_{t-2} + \cdots + \theta_q Z_{t-q}$

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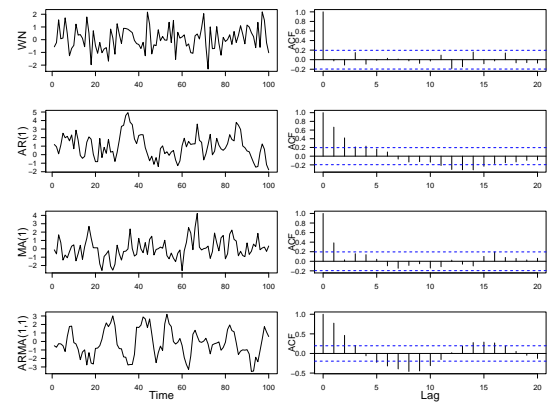
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Autocorrelation Plot



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Lake Huron Case Study



Source: <https://www.worldatlas.com/articles/what-states-border-lake-huron.html>

- Detrending
- Model fitting and selection
- Forecasting

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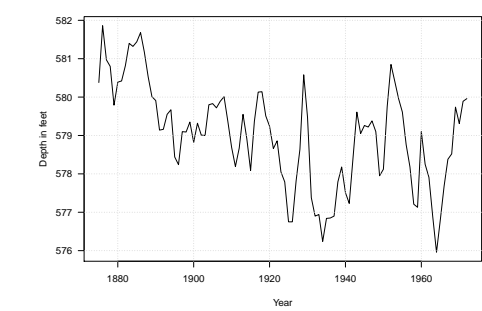
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Annual Measurements of the Level of Lake Huron



There seems to be a decreasing trend  $\Rightarrow$  need to estimate the trend to get the detrended series

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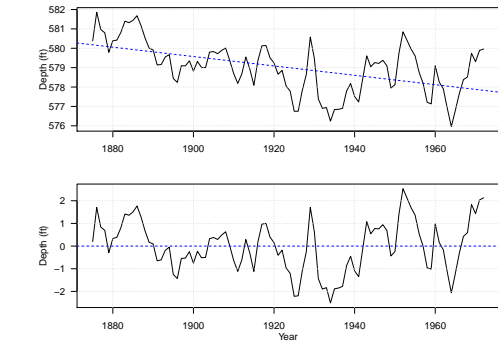
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Plots of the Trend and Residuals

$$y_t = \underbrace{\mu_t}_{\text{trend}} + \underbrace{\eta_t}_{\text{residual}}$$

where we assume  $\mu_t = \alpha + \beta t$ , i.e., a linear trend in time



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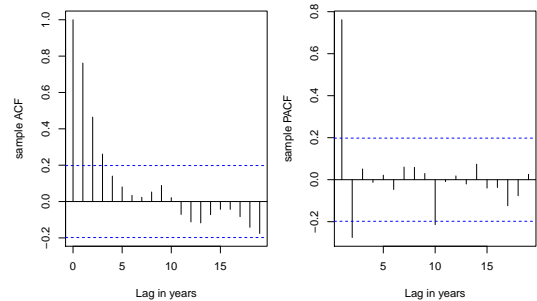
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ACF and PACF Plots

- Tapering pattern in ACF  $\Rightarrow$  need to include AR terms
- Significant PACF values at the first 2 lags  $\Rightarrow$  a AR(2) may be appropriate



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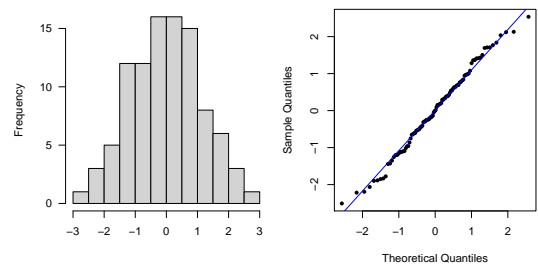
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Assessing Normality Assumption for  $\eta_t$



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Fitting AR(2)

```
> (ar2.model <- arima(deTrend, order = c(2, 0, 0)))

Call:
arima(x = deTrend, order = c(2, 0, 0))

Coefficients:
      ar1      ar2 intercept 
 1.0047  -0.2919   0.0196 
s.e.  0.0977  0.1004   0.2351 

sigma^2 estimated as 0.4571: log likelihood = -101.25, aic = 210.5
```

Series ar2.resids

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```
> Box.test(ar2.resids, type = "Ljung-Box")

Box-Ljung test

data:  ar2.resids
X-squared = 0.029966, df = 1, p-value = 0.8626
```

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Model Selection

We can conduct model selection by using, for example, AIC

```
> ar1.model <- arima(deTrend, order = c(1, 0, 0))
> ar2.model <- arima(deTrend, order = c(2, 0, 0))
> arma21.model <- arima(deTrend, order = c(2, 0, 1))
> AIC(ar1.model); AIC(ar2.model); AIC(arma21.model)
[1] 216.5835
[1] 210.5032
[1] 212.1784
```

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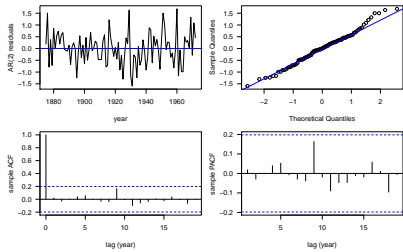
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Fitting AR(2) + a Linear Trend

```
> library(forecast)
> (fit <- Arima(LakeHuron, order = c(2, 0, 0), include.drift = T))
Series: LakeHuron
ARIMA(2,0,0) with drift

Coefficients:
      ar1      ar2  intercept      drift
 1.0048  -0.2913  580.0915  -0.0216
s.e.  0.0976  0.1004   0.4636   0.0081

sigma^2 estimated as 0.476: log likelihood=-101.2
AIC=212.4  AICc=213.05  BIC=225.32
```



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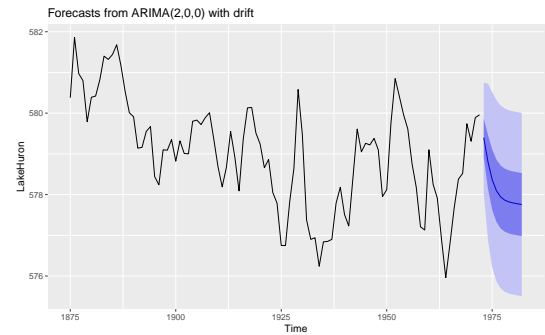
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10-Year-Ahead Forecasts



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