

ARIMA processes

Stationary processes

Stationary processes: Plan

- Definition
- Random walk
- Autocovariance function
- ACF, PACF

Stationary processes

A stochastic process whose characteristics **do not change over time**

Weak or wide-sense stationarity

A process (y_t) is said to be **weakly stationary**, if for each t and k :

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{E}(y_t) = \mu \\ \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k}) = \gamma_k \end{cases}$$

Strong or strict-sense stationarity

A process (y_t) is said to be **strictly stationary**, if for each k joint distribution of a r.v. $(y_t, y_{t+1}, y_{t+2}, \dots, y_{t+k})$ does not depend on t

Stationary process: example

Independent observations

The quantities (y_t) are independent and equally distributed with finite expectation μ_y and finite variance σ_y^2

$$\mu_y = \mathbb{E}(y_t)$$

$$\gamma_0 = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_t) = \text{Var}(y_t) = \sigma_y^2$$

$$\gamma_k = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k}) = 0, \text{ for } k \geq 1$$

Non-Stationary Process Example

Random Walk

$$\begin{cases} y_0 = \mu \\ y_t = y_{t-1} + u_t, \text{ for } t \geq 1 \end{cases},$$

where u_t is white noise

Explicitly: $y_t = \mu + u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_t$.

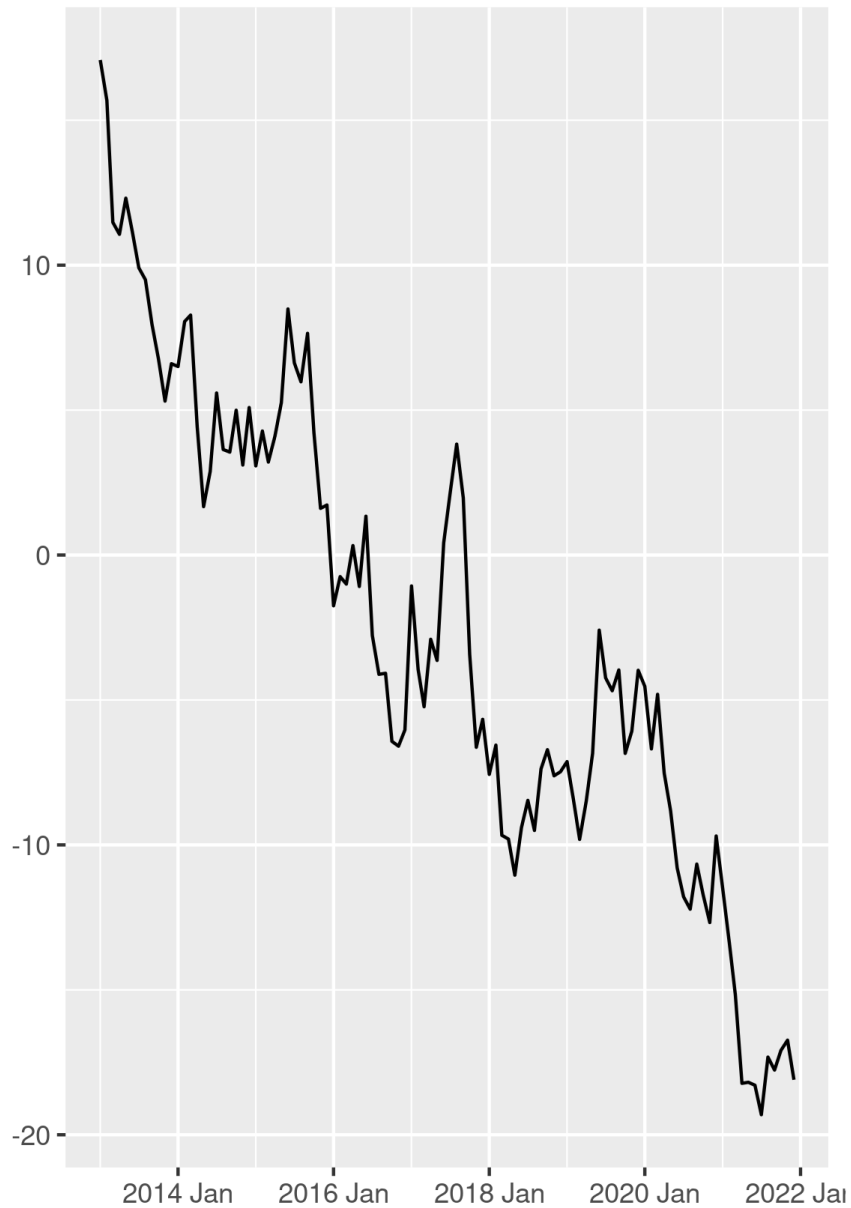
$$\mu_y = \mathbb{E}(y_t)$$

$$\gamma_0 = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_t) = \text{Var}(y_t) = \text{Var}(\mu + u_1 + \dots + u_t) = t\sigma_u^2$$

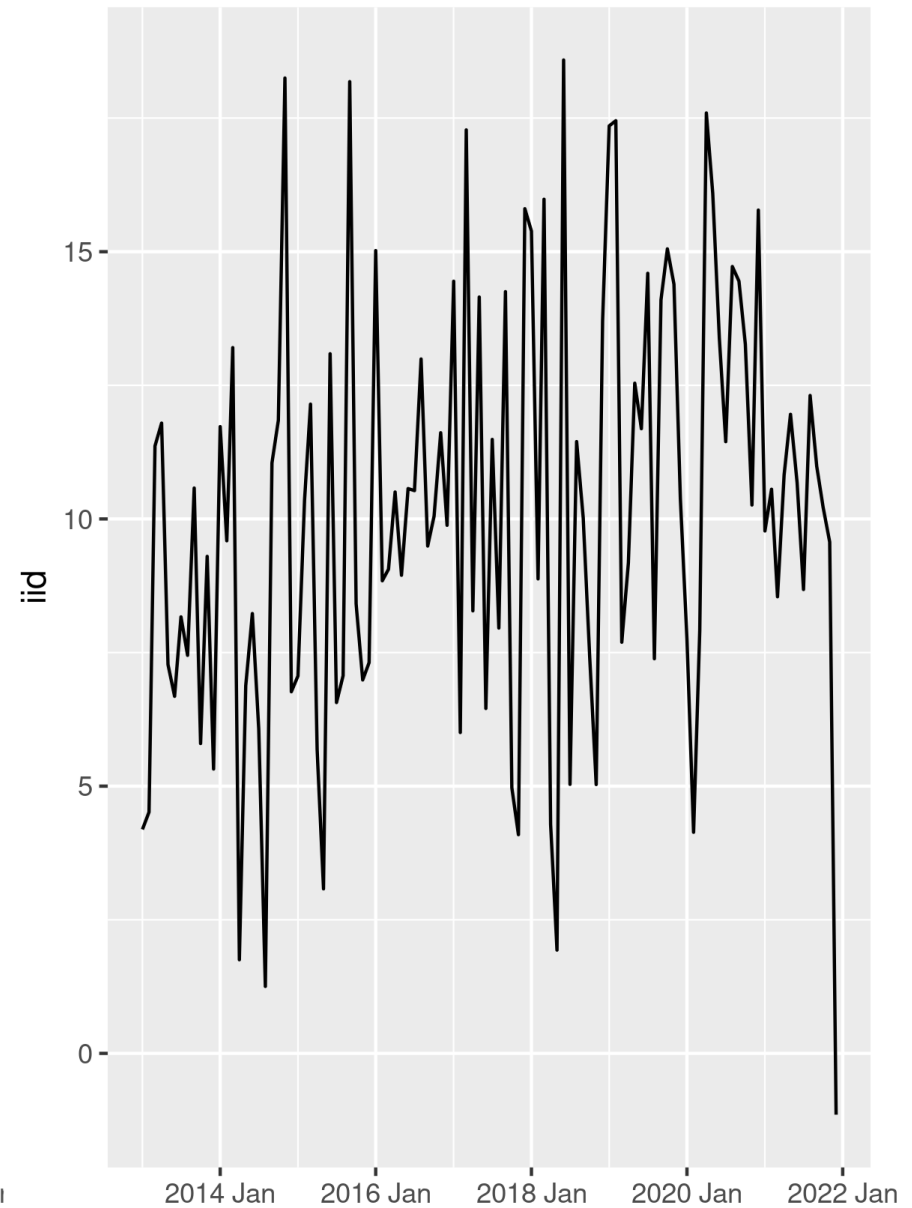
$$\gamma_k = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k}) = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_t + u_{t+1} + \dots + u_{t+k}) = \text{Var}(y_t)$$

Random Walk vs Random Sample

Random walk



Independent observations



Autocovariance function

Definition

For a stationary process (y_t) , the function $\gamma_k = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k})$ is called **autocovariance**

Definition

For a stationary process (y_t) , the function $\rho_k = \text{Corr}(y_t, y_{t+k})$ is called **autocorrelation**

ACF: autocorrelation function

$$\rho_k = \text{Corr}(y_t, y_{t+k}) = \frac{\text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(y_t) \text{Var}(y_{t+k})}} = \frac{\gamma_k}{\sqrt{\gamma_0 \gamma_0}} = \frac{\gamma_k}{\gamma_0}$$

Partial Correlation

Definition

$\text{pCorr}(U, D; R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n) = \text{Corr}(U^*, D^*)$, where

$$U^* = U - \text{Best}(U; R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n),$$

$$D^* = D - \text{Best}(D; R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n)$$

The values U^* and D^* are the versions of U and D **uninfluenced** by the covariates R_1, \dots, R_n

$$\text{Cov}(U^*, R_i) = 0, \quad \text{Cov}(D^*, R_i) = 0.$$

Definition

For a stationary process (y_t) the function

$$\varphi_{kk} = \text{pCorr}(y_t, y_{t+k}; y_{t+1}, \dots, y_{t+k-1})$$

is called **partial autocorrelation**

ACF and PACF: Intuition

For stationary process

- ACF:

$$\rho_k = \text{Corr}(y_t, y_{t+k})$$

Joint strength of relationship between y_t and y_{t+k}

- PACF:

$$\varphi_{kk} = \text{pCorr}(y_t, y_{t+k}; y_{t+1}, \dots, y_{t+k-1})$$

Strength of relationship between y_t and y_{t+k} with the links through intermediate observations being broken

Stationary processes: Summary

- Constants $\mathbb{E}(y_t), \gamma_k = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k})$
- The random sample is stationary
- Random walk is non-stationary
- Autocovariance function
- Partial correlation — correlation with the effect of a set of controlling random variables removed
- In the time series, we removed the effect of intermediate observations

MA Process

MA Process: Plan

- Definition and notations with lags
- Stationarity
- Predictability
- Reversibility

Lag operator

Definition

For the process (y_t) defined at $t \in \mathbb{Z}$, **lagged** process Ly_t is the same sequence of values with a shifted index,

$$Ly_t = y_{t-1}$$

$$L^2y_t = L \cdot L \cdot y_t = L \cdot y_{t-1} = y_{t-2}$$

$$\Delta y_t = y_t - y_{t-1} = (1 - L)y_t$$

$$\Delta_{12}y_t = y_t - y_{t-12} = (1 - L^{12})y_t$$

MA process

Definition

Process (y_t) , which **can** be represented as

$$y_t = \mu + u_t + \alpha_1 u_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_q u_{t-q},$$

where $\alpha_q \neq 0$ and (u_t) is white noise, is called the $MA(q)$ process

MA — Moving Average

Example $MA(1)$ process:

$$y_t = 5 + u_t + 0.3u_{t-1},$$

where (u_t) is some white noise

Notation with lags

MA with lag polynomial

Process (y_t) , which **can** be represented as

$$y_t = \mu + P(L)u_t,$$

where $P(L)$ is a polynomial of degree q in lag L with $P(0) = 1$, and (u_t) is white noise, is called $MA(q)$ a process

An example $MA(2)$ process:

$$y_t = 5 + (1 - 0.2L + 0.3L^2)u_t,$$

where (u_t) is white noise

ACF and Forecasts

Traditionally $MA(q)$ process is evaluated assuming joint normality of (y_t) .

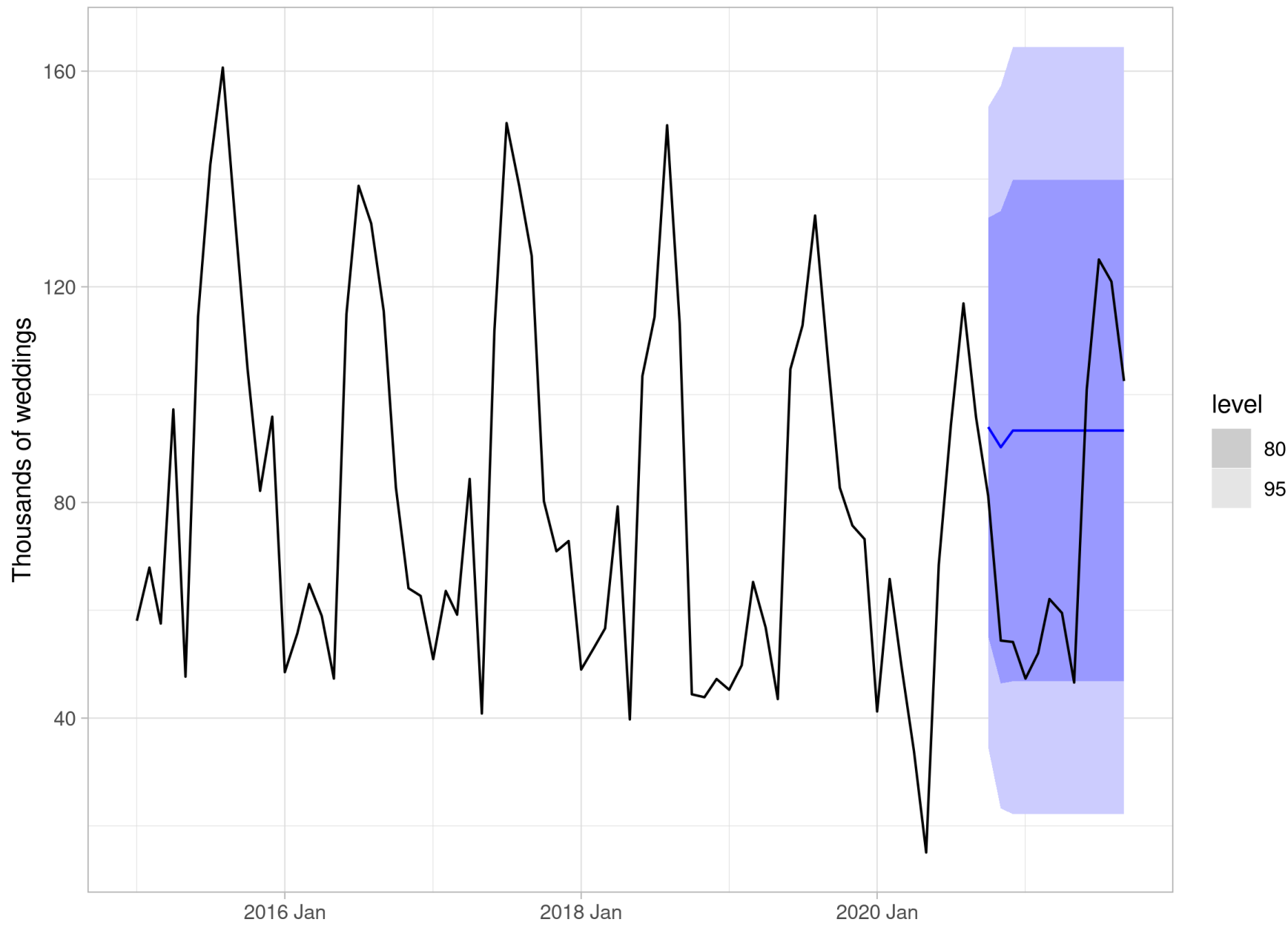
Zero $\rho_k = 0$ for $k > q$ implies independence of y_t and y_{t+k} .

Forecasts more than q steps ahead are exactly the same.

$$(y_{T+q+1} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim (y_{T+q+2} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim (y_{T+q+3} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim \dots$$

Predictions for $MA(2)$

Forecasting number of weddings with MA(2)



$MA(\infty)$

Definition

Process (y_t) , which **can** be represented as

$$y_t = \mu + u_t + \alpha_1 u_{t-1} + \alpha_2 u_{t-2} + \dots,$$

where (u_t) is white noise, an infinite number of $\alpha_i \neq 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i^2 < \infty$, is called the $MA(\infty)$ process

$MA(\infty)$:

$$y_t = 5 + u_t + 0.5u_{t-1} + 0.5^2 u_{t-2} + 0.5^3 u_{t-3} + \dots$$

And **this is not allowed**:

$$y_t = 5 + u_t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}u_{t-1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}u_{t-2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}u_{t-3} + \dots$$

Convergences

Theorem

If a $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i^2 < \infty$ and (u_t) is a zero-mean stationary process, then the sequence of partial sums y_t^q of the form

$$y_t^q = \mu + \sum_{i=0}^q \alpha_i u_{t-i}$$

converges for $q \rightarrow \infty$ in mean, in probability, and in distribution

Nuance: the convergence of the weighted sum is guaranteed for the stationary (u_t)

Bonus

...and the resulting process (y_t) is stationary

Wald's Theorem

Theorem

If (y_t) is a stationary process, then it can be represented as:

$$y_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i u_{t-i} + r_t,$$

where

- (u_t) — white noise,
- $\sum \alpha_i^2 < \infty$,
- r_t is a linear **predictable** random process,
- $\text{Cov}(u_t, r_t) = 0$

Predictable Process

Correct definition

A process (r_t) is called **linearly predictable** if

- (r_t) is stationary,
- $r_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 r_{t-1} + \beta_2 r_{t-2} + \dots + \beta_p r_{t-p}$

Reversibility condition

Characteristic representation

The equation $MA(q)$ of the process satisfies the reversibility condition if the characteristic polynomial $\phi(\lambda)$ has all roots $|\lambda_i| < 1$

Lag representation

The equation $MA(q)$ of the process satisfies the reversibility condition if all roots of the lag polynomial $P(L)$ are $|\ell_i| > 1$

Example of reversible notation $MA(1)$

$$y_t = 5 + u_t + 0.5u_{t-1}, \quad \sigma_u^2 = 4$$

$$\lambda^1 + 0.5 \cdot \lambda^0$$

$$\phi(\lambda) = \lambda + 0.5$$

$$\lambda_1 = -0.5$$

Example of $MA(1)$ irreversible notation

$$y_t = 5 + u_t + 2u_{t-1}, \quad \sigma_u^2 = 1$$

$$\lambda^1 + 2 \cdot \lambda^0$$

$$\phi(\lambda) = \lambda + 2$$

$$\lambda_1 = -2$$

Difference

Stationarity is a property of the (y_t) process itself.

Reversibility is a property of the equation (process notation) for (y_t) .

$MA(q)$ has a single notation when reversible

MA process: Summary

- $MA(q)$ — weighting of several white noises
- $MA(q)$ is a stationary process
- ACF vanishes sharply, $PACF$ tends to zero
- Reversibility condition: roots of the characteristic polynomial $|\lambda_i| < 1$ or roots of the lag polynomial $|\ell_i| > 1$.

ARMA equation

ARMA equation: Plan

- Definition
- Non-uniqueness of solutions

About the purpose of old problems

Goal: A simple equation for a wide variety of processes

Problems:

- Non-uniqueness of equation for one process

Requirement reversibility of the equation

- $MA(\infty)$ has infinite number of parameters

Let's try adding lags y_t to the equation!

New problem

$y_t - y_{t-1} = u_t - u_{t-1}$, where (u_t) is white noise

Solutions:

- $y_t = u_t$;
- $y_t = u_t - 0.7$;
- $y_t = u_t - 0.8$

Infinite number of solutions

ARMA equation

Definition

Equation

$$y_t = c + \beta_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_p y_{t-p} + u_t + \alpha_1 u_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_q u_{t-q},$$

where (u_t) is white noise, we'll call an *ARMA* equation

ARMA — Autoregression and Moving Average

Definition

An equation of the form $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$, where (u_t) is white noise, $P(L)$ and $Q(L)$ are lag polynomials with $P(0) = Q(0) = 1$, we'll call an *ARMA* equation

ARMA equation: Summary

An equation is not a process!

Why?

- One equation has **many solutions**
- One process can be described by **several equations**

ARMA process

ARMA process

- Equation irreducibility
- Solution structure
- ARMA process

Irreducibility of Equation

Definition

ARMA an equation of the form $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$ is called **irreducible**, if the polynomials $P(L)$ and $Q(L)$ do not have common roots

Reducible Equation:

$$y_t - y_{t-1} = u_t - u_{t-1} \text{ or } (1 - L)y_t = (1 - L)u_t$$

Irreducible equation:

$$y_t - y_{t-1} = u_t - 0.5u_{t-1} \text{ or } (1 - L)y_t = (1 - 0.5L)u_t$$

Initial Conditions

Irreducible *ARMA* equation:

$$y_t = 0.5y_{t-1} + u_t, \text{ where } (u_t) \text{ is white noise}$$

Let's try different initial conditions:

- $y_0 = 0$

$$y_1 = u_1, y_2 = u_2 + 0.5u_1, y_3 = u_3 + 0.5u_2 + 0.25u_1, \dots$$

- $y_0 = 2u_1$

$$y_1 = 2u_1, y_2 = u_2 + u_1, y_3 = u_3 + 0.5u_2 + 0.5u_1, \dots$$

The initial conditions also determine the past y_t !

ARMA Solutions

Theorem I

Any *ARMA* equation with at least one y_t lag has an infinite number of solutions

Theorem II

In order to obtain a unique solution of an *ARMA* equation of the form $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$, it suffices to specify the initial conditions in an amount equal to the power of $P(L)$

$$y_t = 0.6y_{t-1} + 0.08y_{t-2} + u_t \text{ and } y_0 = u_0, y_1 = u_0 + 4$$

And how many stationary solutions?

Correct theorem

If an *ARMA* equation $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$ is irreducible, then it

- has exactly one stationary solution if the lag polynomial $P(\ell)$ has all roots $|\ell_i| \neq 1$;
 - has no stationary solutions if the lag polynomial $P(\ell)$ has a root with $|\ell_i| = 1$
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- $y_t = 0.5y_{t-1} + u_t$, $P(L) = 1 - 0.5L$, $\ell_1 = 2$: one stationary solution;
 - $y_t = y_{t-1} + u_t$, $P(L) = 1 - L$, $\ell_1 = 1$: no stationary solutions

AR process

Definition

$AR(p)$ process with equation

$$y_t = c + \beta_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_p y_{t-p} + u_t,$$

where (u_t) is white noise and $\beta_p \neq 0$, is the solution of this equation in the form of $MA(\infty)$ with respect to (u_t)

Definition with lags

$AR(p)$ process with equation

$$P(L)y_t = c + u_t,$$

where (u_t) is white noise, $P(L)$ has power p and $P(0) = 1$, is the solution of this equation in the form of $MA(\infty)$ with respect to (u_t)

Definitions by different authors

In our definition of $AR(p)$, the process is necessarily **stationary**.
Some authors **do not include** the requirement of stationarity in the definition of $AR(p)$.

ARMA process

Definition

$ARMA(p, q)$ process with equation

$$y_t = c + \beta_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_p y_{t-p} + u_t + \alpha_1 u_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_q u_{t-q},$$

where (u_t) is white noise, $\beta_p \neq 0$, $\alpha_q \neq 0$ and the equation is irreducible, is the solution of this equation in the form of $MA(\infty)$ with respect to (u_t)

Definition with lags

$ARMA(p, q)$ process with equation

$$P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t,$$

where (u_t) is white noise, $P(L)$ and $Q(L)$ have powers p and q , respectively, are irreducible and $P(0) = Q(0) = 1$, is the solution of this equation in the form $MA(\infty)$ with respect to (u_t)

What about non-uniqueness?

The same $ARMA(p, q)$ process (y_t) can be described by different equations!

Reversibility

If the series (y_t) is an $ARMA(p, q)$ process with the equation $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$, then this equation will be unique if the MA part satisfies the reversibility condition.

Condition for $ARMA$ reversibility of the equation:

- the characteristic polynomial $\phi_{MA}(\lambda)$ has all roots $|\lambda_i| < 1$;
- the lag polynomial $Q(L)$ has all roots $|\ell_i| > 1$

ARMA process: Summary

- The process is stationary by **definition**
- AR and MA processes are **special cases** of the $ARMA$ process
- Theoretical ACF and $PACF$ decrease **exponentially**
- The reversibility condition guarantees **uniqueness**
- An irreducible equation either has a **unique** stationary solution or it does not exist

ARIMA process

ARIMA process: Plan

- Stationarity of $ARMA$
- Definition of $ARIMA$
- Differencing

Nuances

- Process $y_t \sim ARMA(p, q)$ is stationary **by definition**:
 $\mathbb{E}(y_t) = \mu_y, \text{Var}(y_t) = \gamma_0, \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t-k}) = \gamma_k$
- In the **canonical notation** $ARMA(p, q)$ of the process
 $P(L)y_t = c + Q(L)u_t$ for the polynomial $P(L)$ all roots $|\ell| > 1$
- When estimating the $ARMA(p, q)$ process by the maximum likelihood method, these restrictions are imposed **a priori**

What to do with non-stationary processes?

Definition

The random process (y_t) is called the $ARIMA(p, 1, q)$ w.r.t. the white noise process (u_t) , if (y_t) is non-stationary, but Δy_t is a stationary $ARMA(p, q)$ process w.r.t. the white noise (u_t)

Definition

The random process (y_t) is called the $ARIMA(p, 2, q)$ w.r.t. the white noise process (u_t) , if (y_t) and (Δy_t) are non-stationary, but $\Delta^2 y_t$ is a stationary $ARMA(p, q)$ process w.r.t. the white noise (u_t)

$$\Delta y_t = y_t - y_{t-1} \text{ and } \Delta^2 y_t = \Delta y_t - \Delta y_{t-1}$$

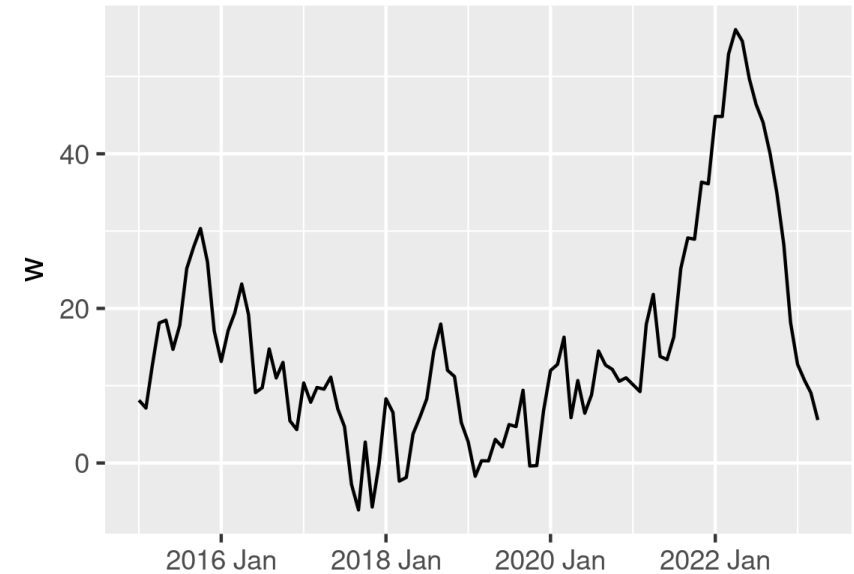
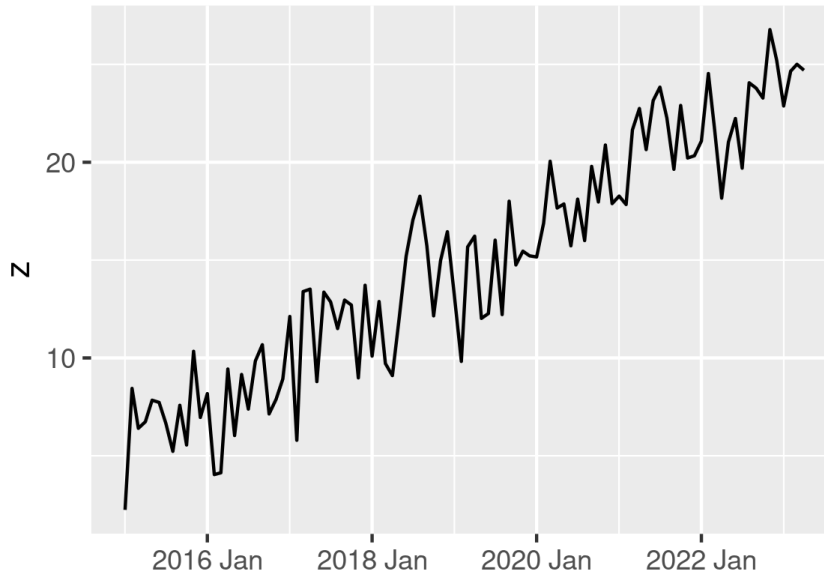
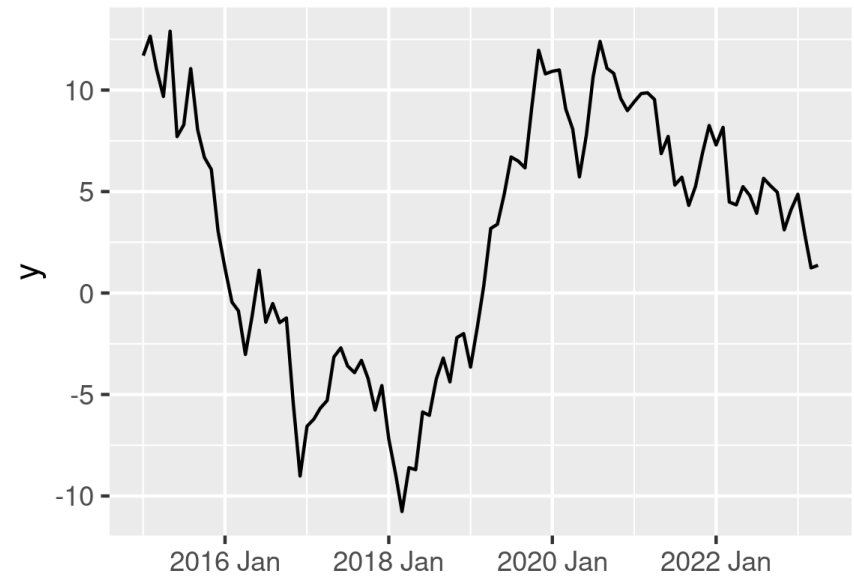
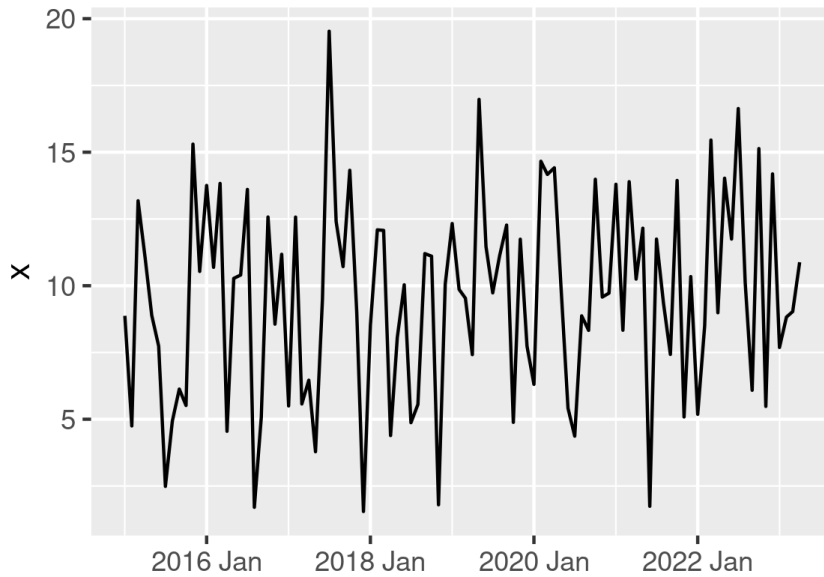
ARIMA — AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average

How to choose?

$ARIMA(p, 0, q)$ or $ARIMA(p, 1, q)$ or $ARIMA(p, 2, q)$

- Analyse the **graph**: stationary process graph oscillates around its mean with a **constant deviation**
- Evaluate all the models and choose the best one by **cross-validation** Time consuming!
- **You cannot use AIC !**
 $\ln L(y_1, \dots, y_n \mid \theta)$ and $\ln L(y_2, \dots, y_n \mid \theta, y_1)$ and $\ln L(y_3, \dots, y_n \mid \theta, y_1, y_2)$ incomparable!
- There are **unit root tests!**
ADF, KPSS, PP, ...

Analysing the graphs



ARIMA: Summary

- *ARMA* is for **stationary** series
- Sometimes Δy_t or $\Delta^2 y_t$ is stationary
- Choose between *ARMA* and *ARIMA*

SARIMA process

SARIMA process: Plan

- Seasonal $ARMA$
- Seasonal $ARIMA$
- Choosing between models

Seasonality and *ARIMA*

Using *ARMA* and *ARIMA* models, we can model seasonality!

$$MA(12) : y_t = c + u_t + a_1u_{t-1} + a_2u_{t-2} + \dots + a_{12}u_{t-12}.$$

$$ARIMA(12, 1, 0) : \Delta y_t = c + u_t + b_1\Delta y_{t-1} + \dots + b_{12}\Delta y_{t-12}.$$

ARMA should be economical!

Let's focus on **non-zero** coefficients!

Definition

If the stationary *ARMA* model for y_t can be written with fewer parameters as

$$P_{non}(L)P_{seas}(L^{12})y_t = c + Q_{non}(L)Q_{seas}(L^{12})u_t,$$

where the degrees of the lag polynomials are $\deg P_{non} = p$, $\deg P_{seas} = P$, $\deg Q_{non} = q$, $\deg Q_{seas} = Q$, then it is also called *SARMA*(p, q)(P, Q)[12]

Examples

- $SARMA(1, 0)(0, 2)[12]$

$$(1 - b_1 L)y_t = c + (1 + d_1 L^{12} + d_2 L^{24})u_t;$$

- $SARMA(0, 2)(1, 0)[12]$

$$(1 - f_1 L^{12})y_t = c + (1 + a_1 L + a_2 L^2)u_t;$$

- $SARMA(1, 2)(2, 1)[12]$

$$(1 - f_1 L^{12} - f_2 L^{24})(1 - b_1 L^1)y_t = c + (1 + a_1 L + a_2 L^2)(1 + d_1 L^{12})u_t$$

SARIMA

By analogy with the difference $\Delta y_t = y_t - y_{t-1}$, we can consider the seasonal difference $\Delta_{12} y_t = y_t - y_{t-12}$

Definition

If the series $z_t = \Delta^d \Delta_{12}^D y_t$ is described by the stationary model $SARMA(p, q)(P, Q)[12]$, then y_t is said to be described by the $SARIMA(p, d, q)(P, D, Q)[12]$ model

d is the number of times the first difference should be taken

$$\Delta = 1 - L;$$

D is the number of times the seasonal difference should be taken $\Delta_{12} = 1 - L^{12}$; $y_t \sim SARIMA(0, 0, 2)(1, 1, 2)[12]$ means that

$$\Delta_{12} y_t \sim SARMA(0, 2)(1, 2)[12]$$

How to choose?

$SARIMA(p, 0, q)(P, 0, Q)$ or $SARIMA(p, 0, q)(P, 1, Q)$ [12]?

- Analyse the **graph**!
- Evaluate all these models and choose the best one by **cross-validation** Time consuming!
- **You cannot use AIC** ! The conditional and unconditional likelihood functions contain different numbers of terms.
- There are **unit root tests**!
And rules of thumb...

STL decomposition and the power of seasonality

Step 1. Find the *STL* expansion of the series (y_t)

$$y_t = trend_t + seas_t + remainder_t$$

Step 2. Calculate the strength of seasonality

$$F_{seas} = \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{s\text{Var}(remainder)}{s\text{Var}(seas + remainder)}, 0 \right\}$$

Step 3. If the strength of seasonality is above the threshold, then move to $\Delta_{12}y_t = y_t - y_{t-12}$

SARIMA: Summary

- Seasonal ARIMA is more compact
- The strength of seasonality from the **STL** expansion is used to decide if a seasonal difference $\Delta_{12}y_t$ is needed

Unit root tests: ADF test

ADF test: Plan

- Test assumptions
- Test algorithm
- Three variations of the test

Why do we need an stationarity tests?

We want to answer the questions:

- Should the *ARMA* model be used for (y_t) or for (Δy_t) ?
- How to include a constant in a model?

Name "unit root test":

$$\Delta = 1 - L = P(L)$$

The equation $1 - \ell = 0$ has a root $\ell = 1$

ADF test

ADF — Augmented Dickey Fuller test

Three variations of the test: without a constant, with a constant, with a trend

ADF with constant

$$\Delta y_t = c + \beta y_{t-1} + d_1 \Delta y_{t-1} + \dots + d_p \Delta y_{t-p} + u_t,$$

$$H_0: \beta = 0$$

$$\Delta y_t = m + x_t;$$

(x_t) is a stationary $AR(p)$ process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

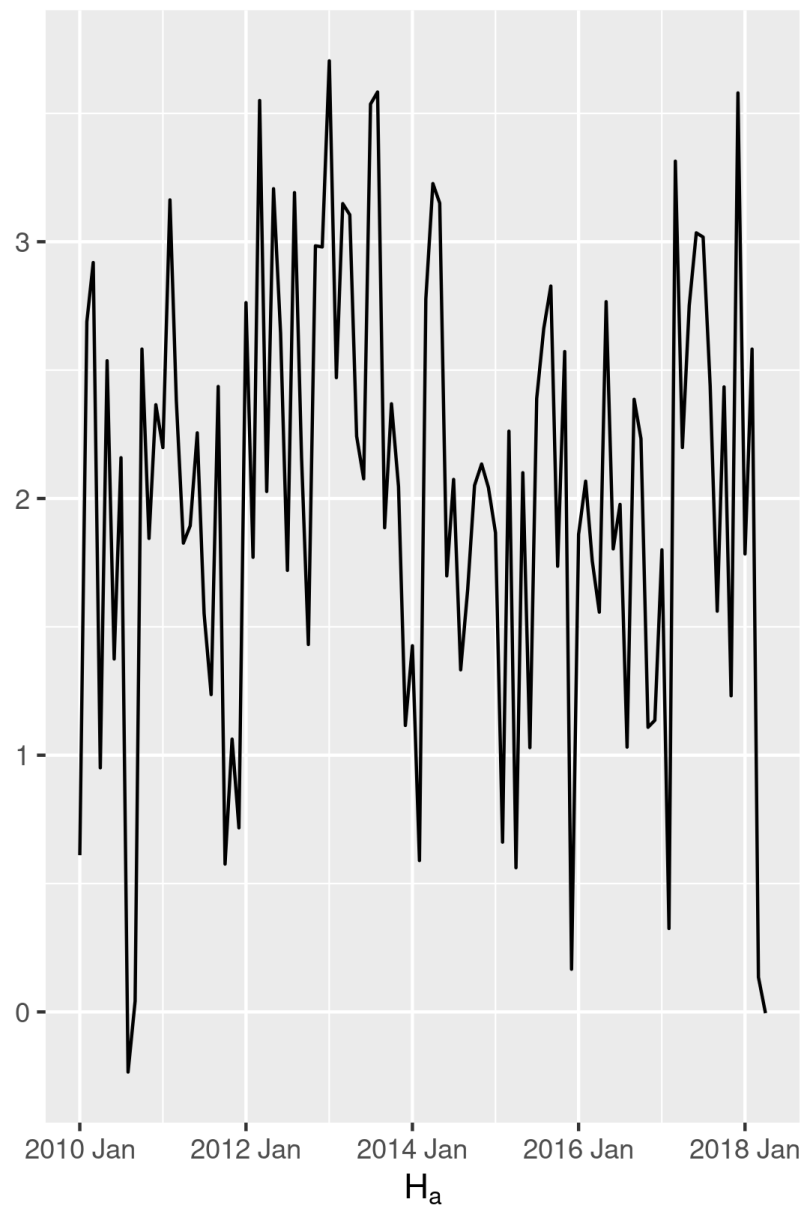
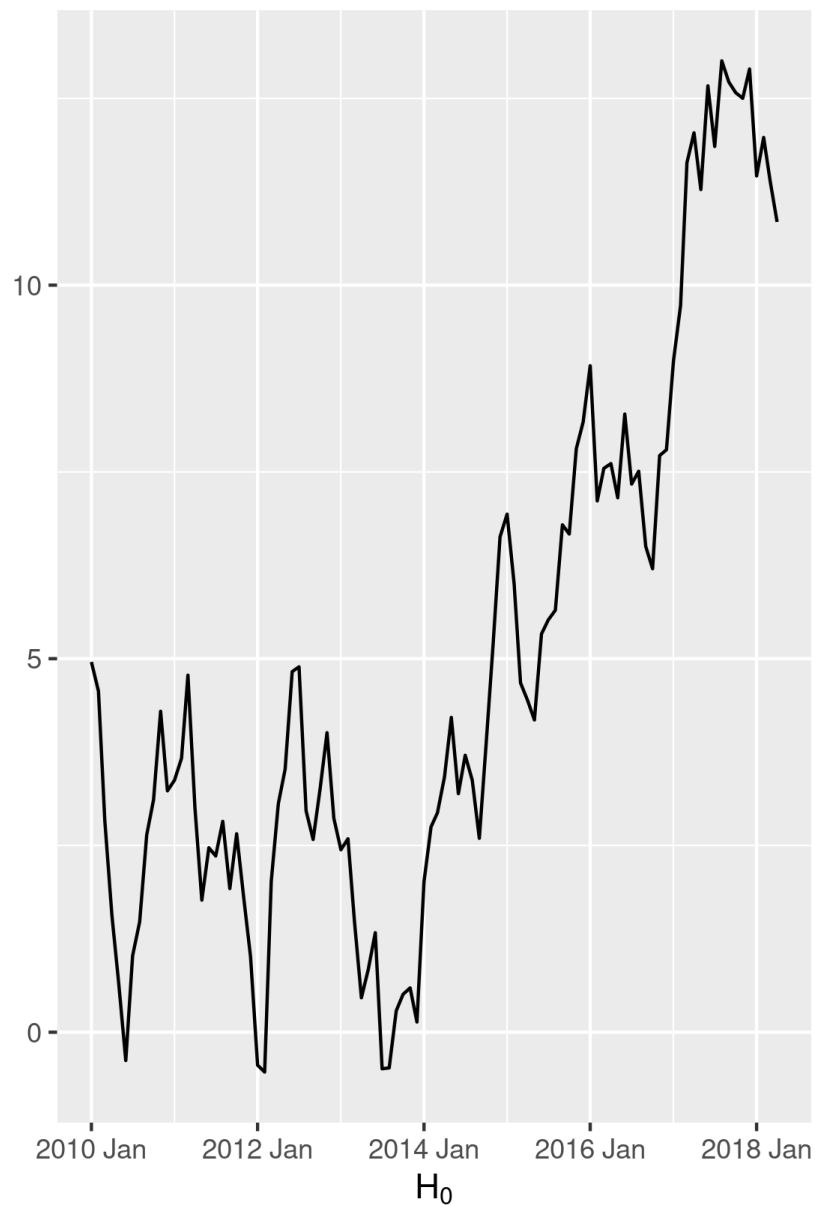
$$y_t = y_0 + mt + \sum_{i=1}^t x_i$$

$$H_a: \beta < 0$$

(y_t) is a stationary $AR(p+1)$ process

ADF with constant: H_0 and H_a

ADF with constant



ADF with constant: algorithm

Step 1. Evaluate regression

$$\widehat{\Delta y_t} = \hat{c} + \hat{\beta}y_{t-1} + \hat{d}_1\Delta y_{t-1} + \dots + \hat{d}_p\Delta y_{t-p}$$

Step 2. Calculate the t -statistics using the classic formula

$$ADF = \frac{\hat{\beta} - 0}{se(\hat{\beta})}$$

Under true H_0 , the distribution of the ADF -statistic converges to the special DF distribution with DF^c !

Step 3. We conclude:

If $ADF < DF^c$ then H_0 is rejected

ADF without constant

$$\Delta y_t = \beta y_{t-1} + d_1 \Delta y_{t-1} + \dots + d_p \Delta y_{t-p} + u_t,$$

$$H_0: \beta = 0$$

(Δy_t) is a stationary $AR(p)$ process with $\mathbb{E}(\Delta y_t) = 0$;

$$y_t = y_0 + \sum_{i=1}^t \Delta y_i$$

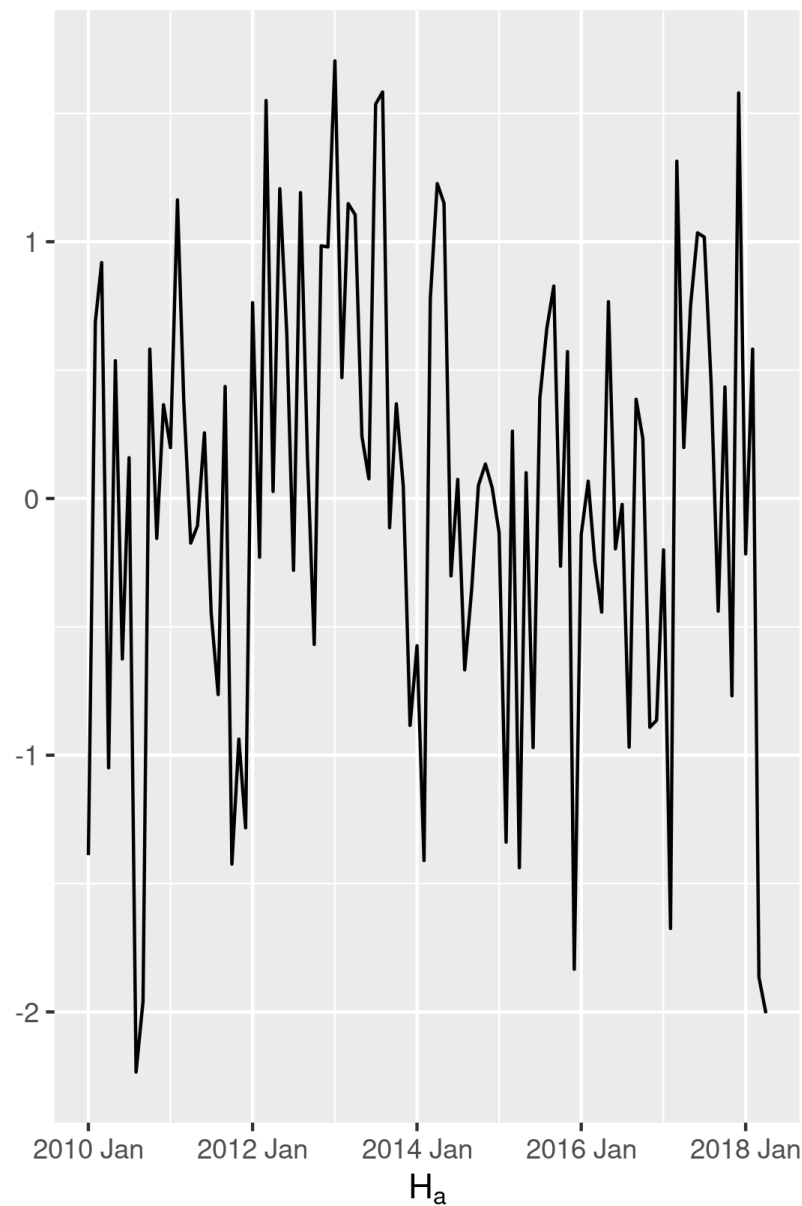
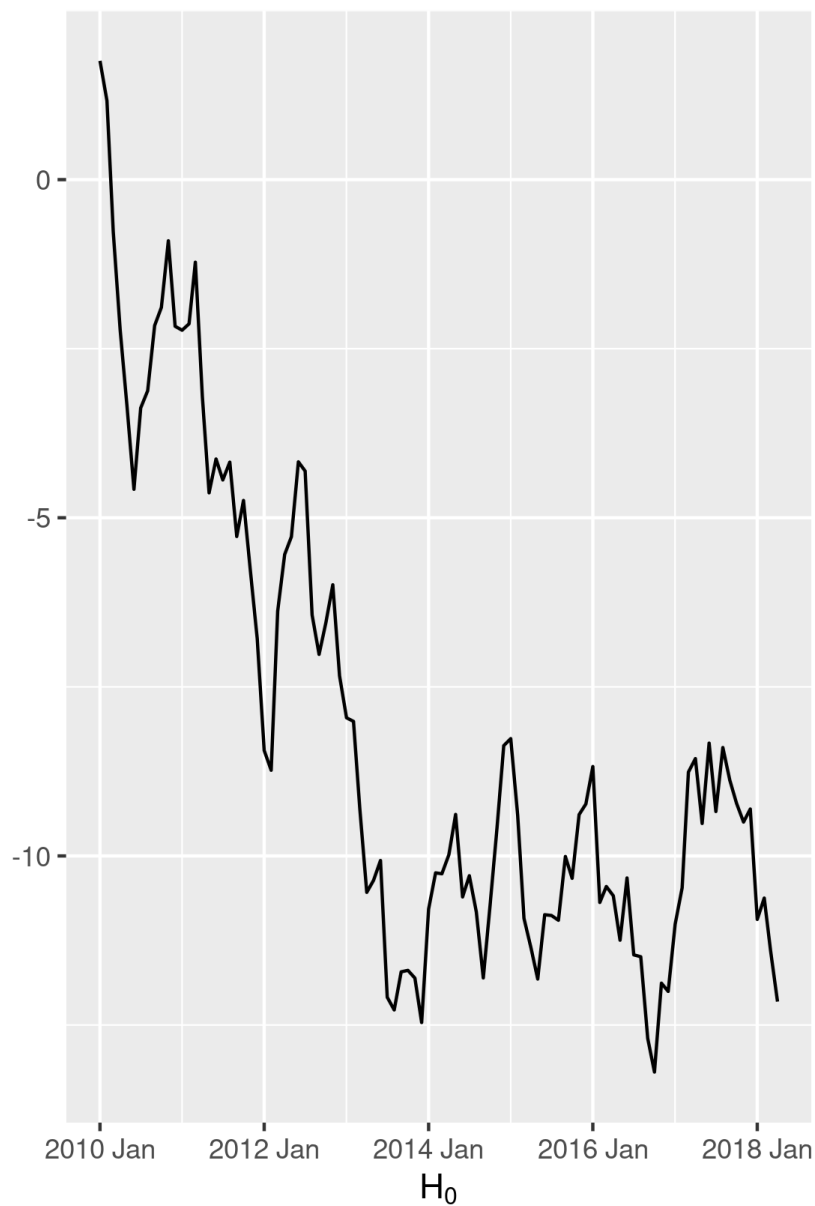
$$H_a: \beta < 0$$

(y_t) is a stationary $AR(p+1)$ process with $\mathbb{E}(y_t) = 0$;

The algorithm will have **regression without a constant** and another distribution DF^0

ADF without constant: H_0 and H_a

ADF without constant



ADF with trend

$$\Delta y_t = c + gt + \beta y_{t-1} + d_1 \Delta y_{t-1} + \dots + d_p \Delta y_{t-p} + u_t,$$

$$H_0: \beta = 0$$

$$\Delta y_t = k_1 + k_2 t + x_t;$$

(x_t) is a stationary $AR(p)$ process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

$$y_t = y_0 + m_1 t + m_2 t^2 + \sum_{i=1}^t x_i$$

$$H_a: \beta < 0$$

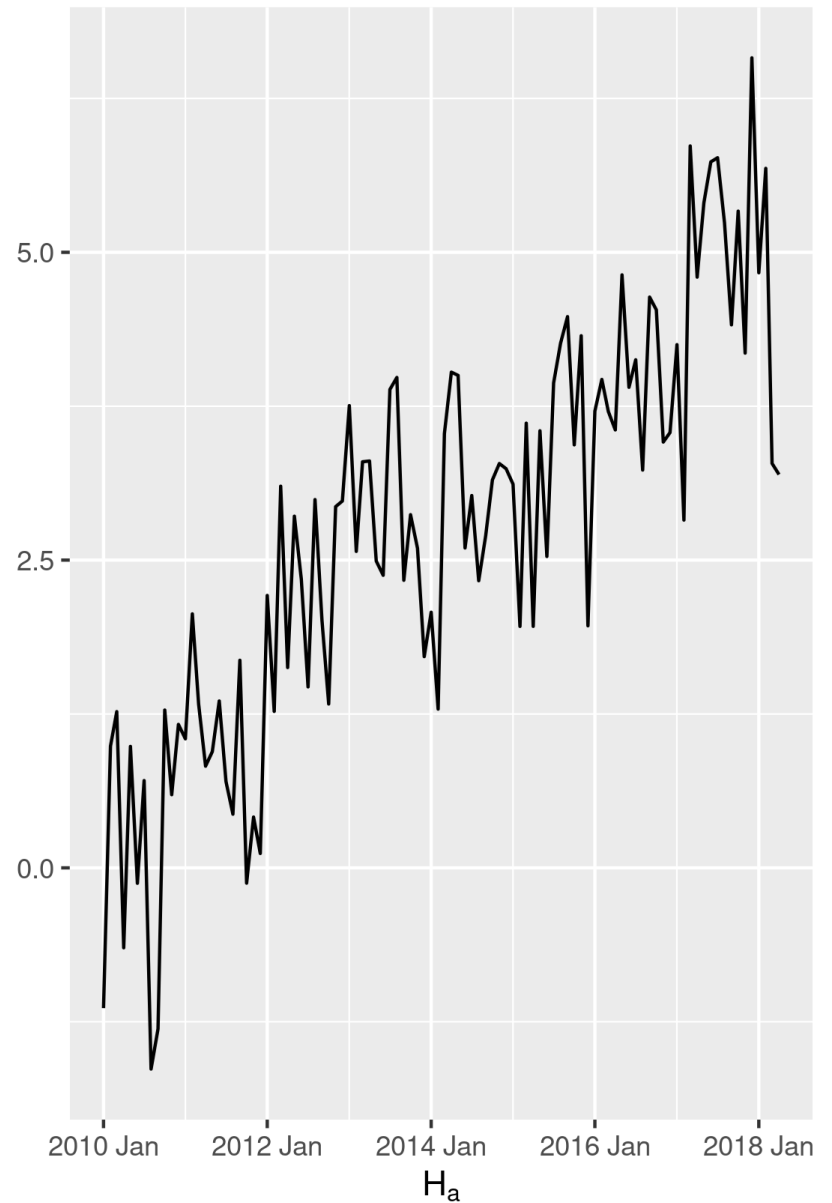
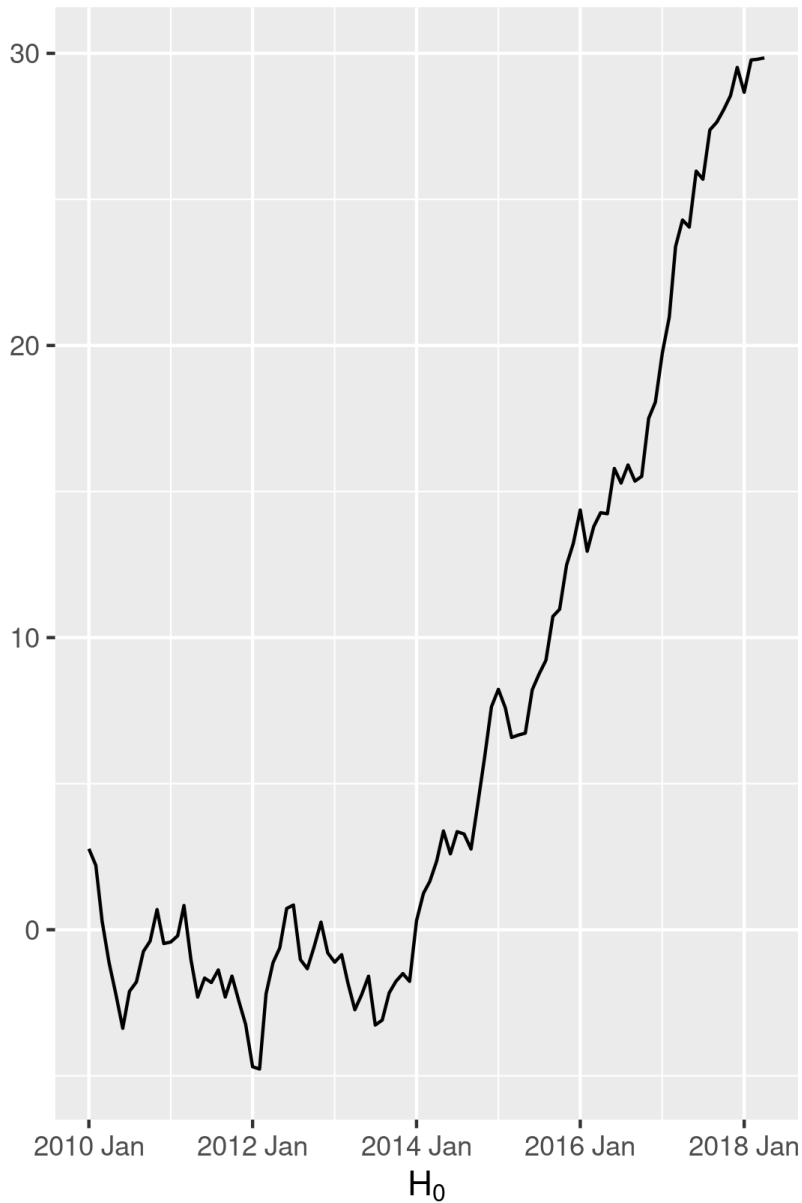
$$y_t = m_1 + m_2 t + x_t;$$

(x_t) is a stationary $AR(p + 1)$ process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

The algorithm will have a regression with a constant and a trend and another distribution DF^{ct}

ADF with trend: H_0 and H_a

ADF with trend



ADF test: Summary

- Applicable for making a decision about the transition to Δy_t
- Three variants of the ADF test with different assumptions

Unit root tests: KPSS test

KPSS test: Plan

- Long-term variance
- Prerequisites for the test
- Two variations of the test

KPSS test

KPSS — Kwiatkowski–Phillips–Schmidt–Shin test

Two variations of the test: with a constant, with a trend

Long-term variance

Definition

For a stationary process (y_t) , the quantity λ^2 is called **long-term variance** if

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}) = \frac{\lambda^2}{T} + o(1/T)$$

or

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} T \text{Var}(\bar{y}) = \lambda^2,$$

where $\bar{y} = (y_1 + \dots + y_T)/T$.

Motivation

For independent observations with the constant variance

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{T}, \text{ where } \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(y_i)$$

KPSS with constant

$$y_t = c + rw_t + x_t,$$

$$H_0: rw_t = 0$$

(x_t) is a stationary process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

$$H_a: rw_t = rw_{t-1} + u_t$$

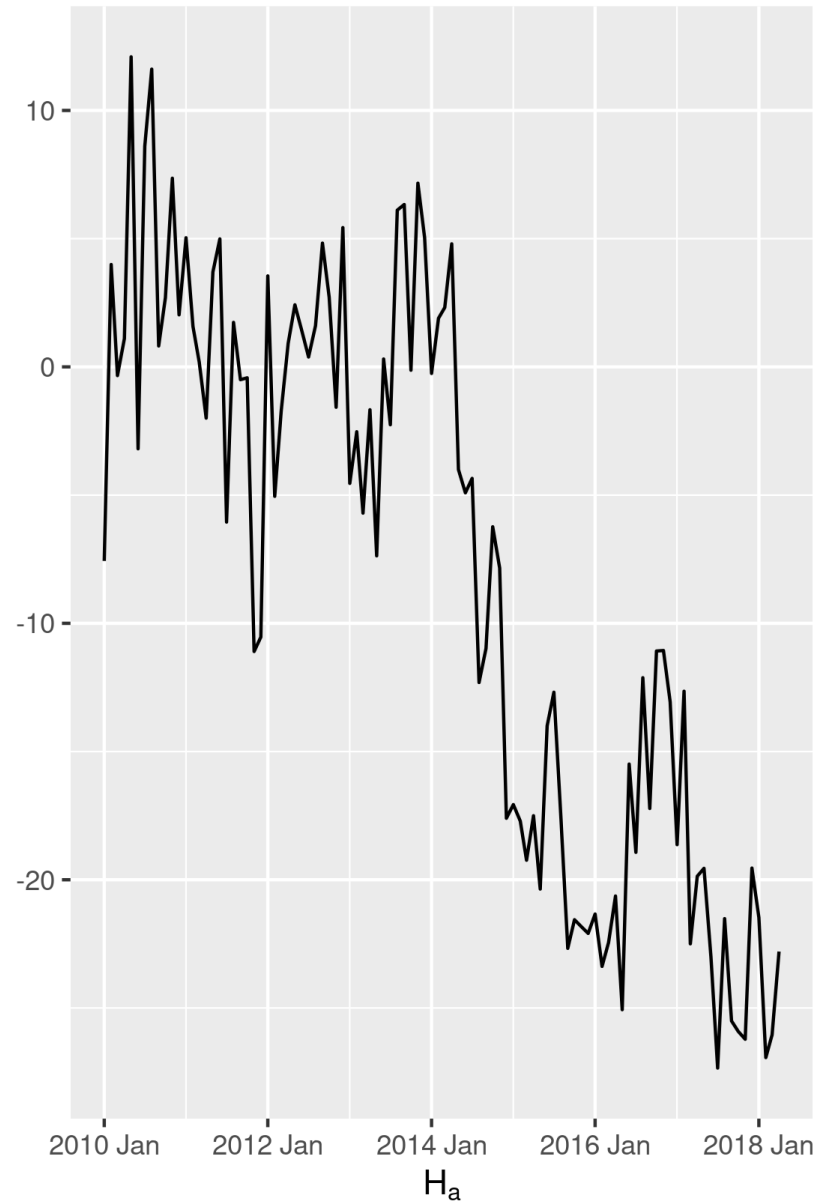
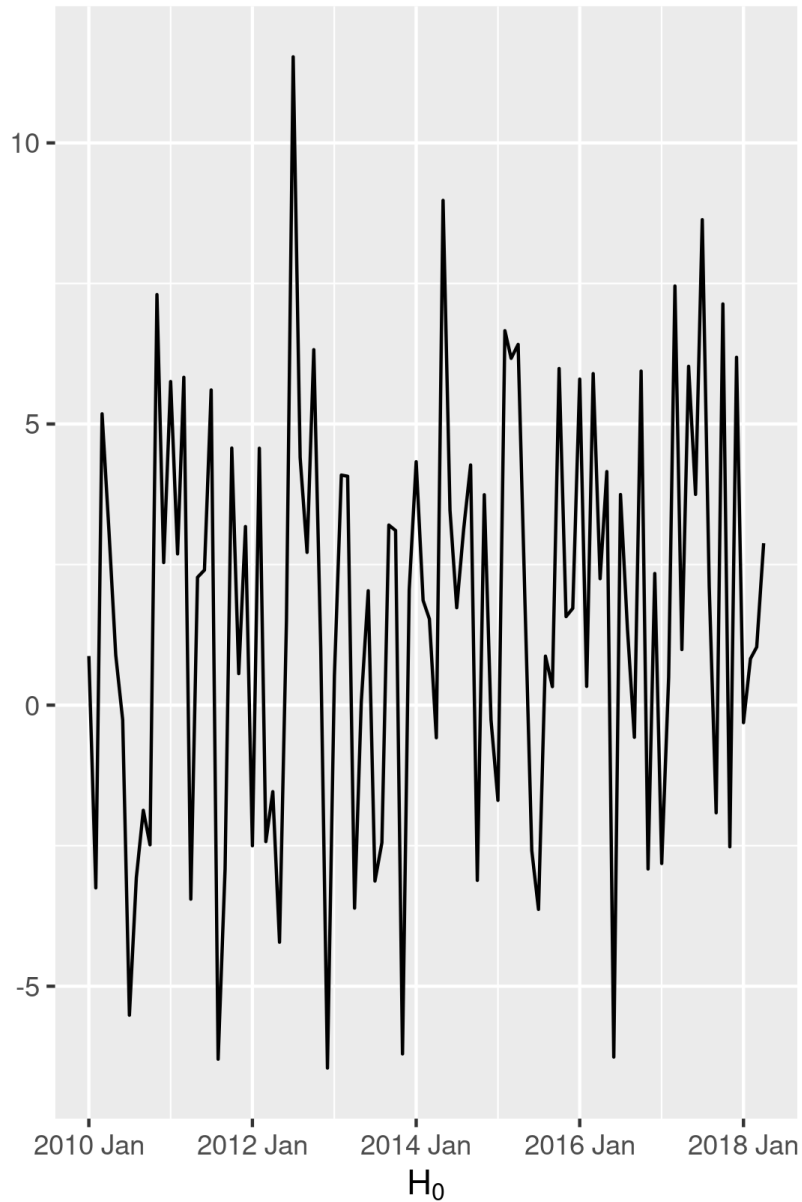
$$rw_0 = 0;$$

(x_t) is a stationary process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

(u_t) is white noise independent of (x_t)

KPSS with constant: H_0 and H_a

KPSS with constant



KPSS with constant: algorithm

Step 1. Evaluate regression on a **constant**

$$\hat{y}_t = \hat{c}$$

Step 2. Calculate *KPSS* statistics

$$KPSS = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T S_t^2}{T^2 \hat{\lambda}^2},$$

where S_t is the accumulated sum of residuals, $S_t = \hat{u}_1 + \dots + \hat{u}_t$, and $\hat{\lambda}^2$ is a consistent estimator of the long-term variance.

Under true H_0 , the distribution of the *KPSS*-statistic converges to a **special distribution** with $KPSS^c$!

Step 3. We conclude:

If $KPSS > KPSS^c$ then H_0 is rejected

KPSS with trend

$$y_t = c + bt + rw_t + x_t,$$

$$H_0: rw_t = 0$$

(x_t) is a stationary process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$;

$$H_a: rw_t = rw_{t-1} + u_t$$

$$rw_0 = 0;$$

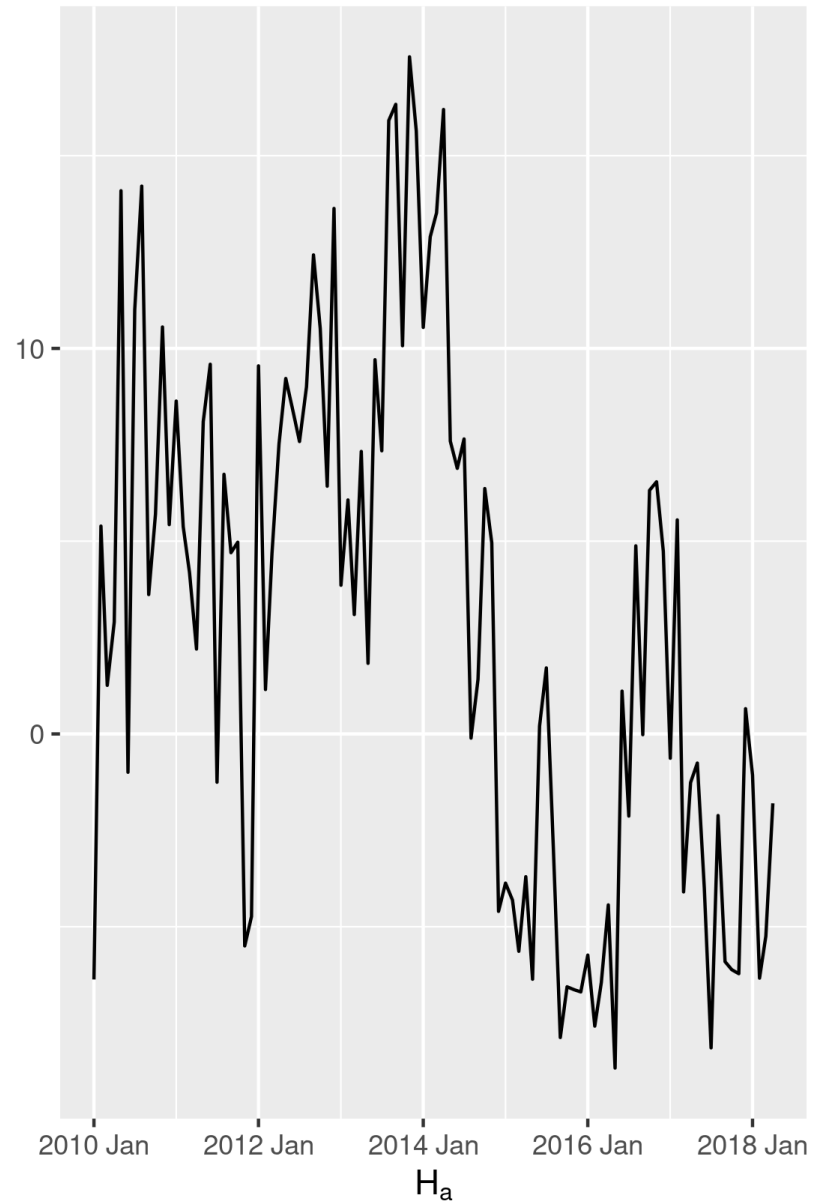
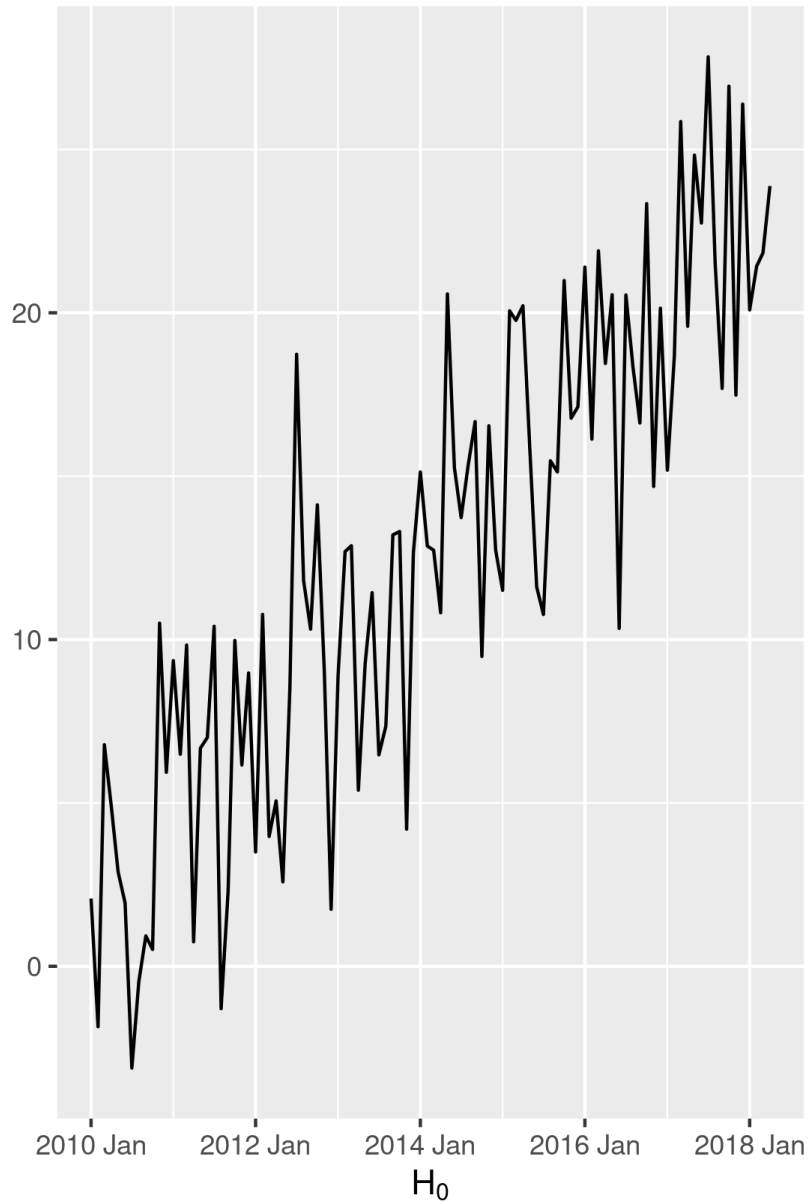
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(u_t) is white noise independent of (x_t)

The first step of the algorithm will have a regression **on a constant and a trend** and the statistic under null will have another special distribution $KPSS^{ct}$

KPSS with trend: H_0 and H_a

KPSS with trend



Terminology

$$A. \quad y_t = a + bt + x_t$$

(y_t) — **trend stationary** (stationary around the trend)

(x_t) — a stationary process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$

Recipe: Estimate regression $a + bt$ with *ARMA* errors for (y_t) .

$$B. \quad y_t = a + \sum_{i=1}^t x_i \text{ or } y_t = a + bt + \sum_{i=1}^t x_i$$

(x_t) — a stationary process with $\mathbb{E}(x_t) = 0$

(y_t) — **difference stationary** (stationary in differences)

Recipe: evaluate *ARMA* for (Δy_t) .

Both (y_t) are non-stationary!

KPSS test: Summary

- Applicable for making a decision about the transition to Δy_t
- Two versions of the KPSS test with different assumptions