

# Timeseries HW1

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## Problem 1

### 1.a

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X_t] &= \mathbb{E}[a + bZ_t + cZ_{t-1}] = a \\ \mathbb{Cov}[X_t, X_{t+h}] &= \mathbb{Cov}[a + bZ_t + cZ_{t-1}, a + bZ_{t+h} + cZ_{t+h-1}] \\ &= b^2 \mathbb{Cov}[Z_t, Z_{t+h}] + c^2 \mathbb{Cov}[Z_{t-1}, Z_{t+h-1}] \\ &\quad + bc \mathbb{Cov}[Z_{t+h}, Z_{t-1}] + bc \mathbb{Cov}[Z_t, Z_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \begin{cases} (b^2 + c^2)\sigma^2 & h = 0 \\ bc\sigma^2 & h = \pm 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathbb{E}[X_t^2] &= \text{Var}[X_t] + \mathbb{E}[X_t]^2 = a^2 + (b^2 + c^2)\sigma^2 < \infty\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Therefore,  $X_t$  is stationary.

### 1.b

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X_t] &= a + \sigma^2 \\ \mathbb{Cov}[X_t, X_{t+h}] &= \mathbb{Cov}[a + X_t^2, a + X_{t+h}^2] \\ &= \mathbb{Cov}[X_t^2, X_{t+h}^2] \\ &= \begin{cases} 2\sigma^4 & h = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathbb{E}[X_t^2] &< \infty\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

Therefore,  $X_t$  is stationary.

### 1.c

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X_t] &= \mathbb{E}[Z_t Z_{t-1}] = 0 \\ \mathbb{Cov}[X_t, X_{t+h}] &= \mathbb{Cov}[Z_t Z_{t-1}, Z_{t+h} Z_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Z_t Z_{t-1} Z_{t+h} Z_{t+h-1}] - \mathbb{E}[Z_t Z_{t-1}] \mathbb{E}[Z_{t+h} Z_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Z_t Z_{t-1} Z_{t+h} Z_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \begin{cases} \mathbb{E}[Z_t^2] \mathbb{E}[Z_{t-1}^2] & h = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \sigma^4 & h = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathbb{E}[X_t^2] &< \infty\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Therefore,  $X_t$  is stationary.

## Problem 2

Since  $\{\epsilon_t\}$  is i.i.d. white noise, let  $\text{Var}[\epsilon_t] = \sigma^2$ .

$$\mathbb{E}[X_t] = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_t + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2}] = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[X_t, X_{t+h}] &= \text{Cov}[\epsilon_t + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2}, \epsilon_{t+h} + \epsilon_{t+h-1}\epsilon_{t+h-2}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(\epsilon_t + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2})(\epsilon_{t+h} + \epsilon_{t+h-1}\epsilon_{t+h-2})] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_t\epsilon_{t+h} + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2}\epsilon_{t+h} + \epsilon_{t+h-1}\epsilon_{t+h-2}\epsilon_t + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2}\epsilon_{t+h-1}\epsilon_{t+h-2}] \\ &= \begin{cases} \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_t^2 + \epsilon_{t-1}^2\epsilon_{t-2}^2] & h = 0 \\ 0 & |h| > 0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \sigma^2 + \sigma^4 & h = 0 \\ 0 & |h| > 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Therefore by definition,  $\{X_t\}$  is weak white noise. But

$$\mathbb{E}[X_t|\mathcal{F}_{t-1}] = \mathbb{E}[\epsilon_t|\mathcal{F}_{t-1}] + \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2} = \epsilon_{t-1}\epsilon_{t-2} \neq 0 \quad (6)$$

Therefore,  $\{X_t\}$  is not MDS.

## Problem 3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[X_t, X_{t+h}] &= \text{Cov}[Y_t - Y_{t-1}, Y_{t+h} - Y_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \text{Cov}[Y_t, Y_{t+h}] - \text{Cov}[Y_{t-1}, Y_{t+h}] - \text{Cov}[Y_t, Y_{t+h-1}] + \text{Cov}[Y_{t-1}, Y_{t+h-1}] \\ &= \gamma_Y(h) - \gamma_Y(h+1) - \gamma_Y(h-1) + \gamma_Y(h) \\ &= 2\gamma_Y(h) - \gamma_Y(h+1) - \gamma_Y(h-1) \\ &=: \gamma_X(h) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

which is a function of  $h$ , independent of  $t$ . Moreover,  $\mathbb{E}[X_t] = 0$ . Therefore,  $X_t$  is also stationary.

## Problem 4

### 4.1

```
library(quantmod)
```

```
## Loading required package: xts
```

```
## Loading required package: zoo
```

```
##
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```
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
```

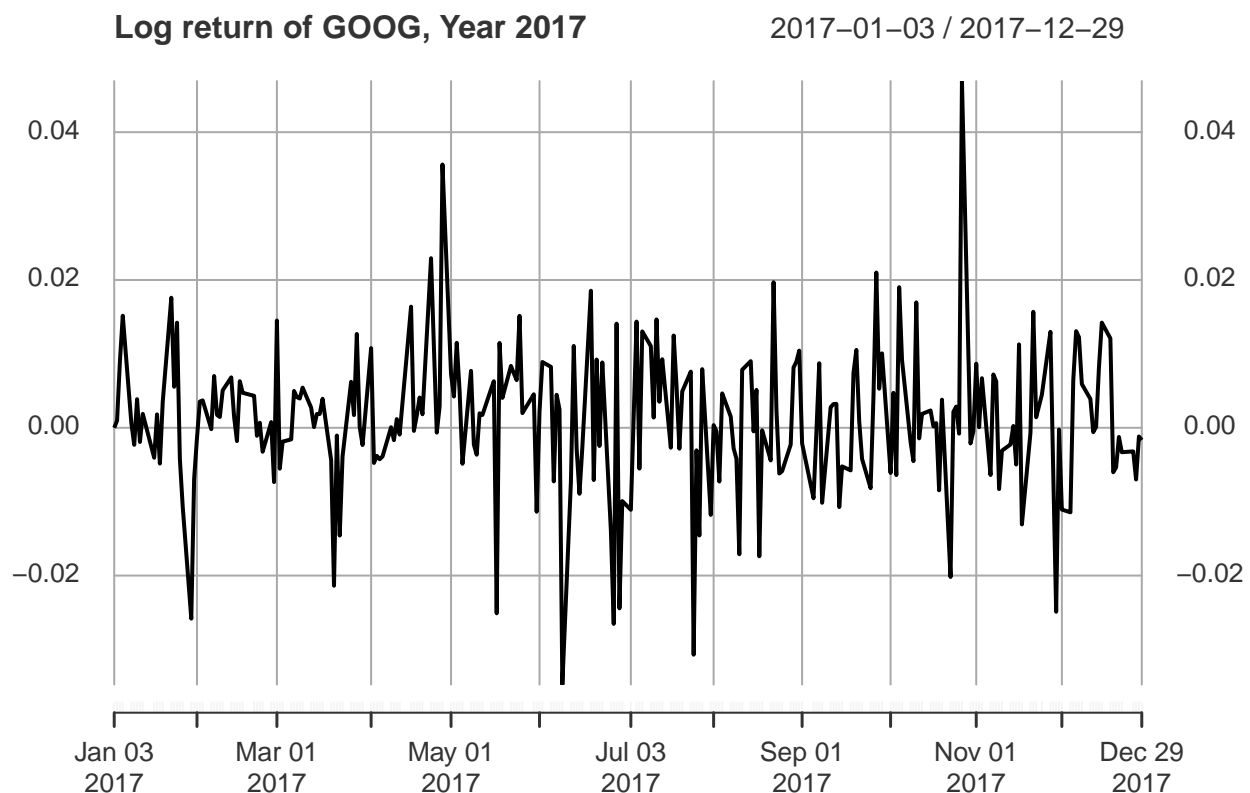
```
##
```

```
##      as.Date, as.Date.numeric
```

```
## Loading required package: TTR
```

```
## Version 0.4-0 included new data defaults. See ?getSymbols.
goog = getSymbols('GOOG',from='2017-1-1',to='2017-12-31',auto.assign=F)

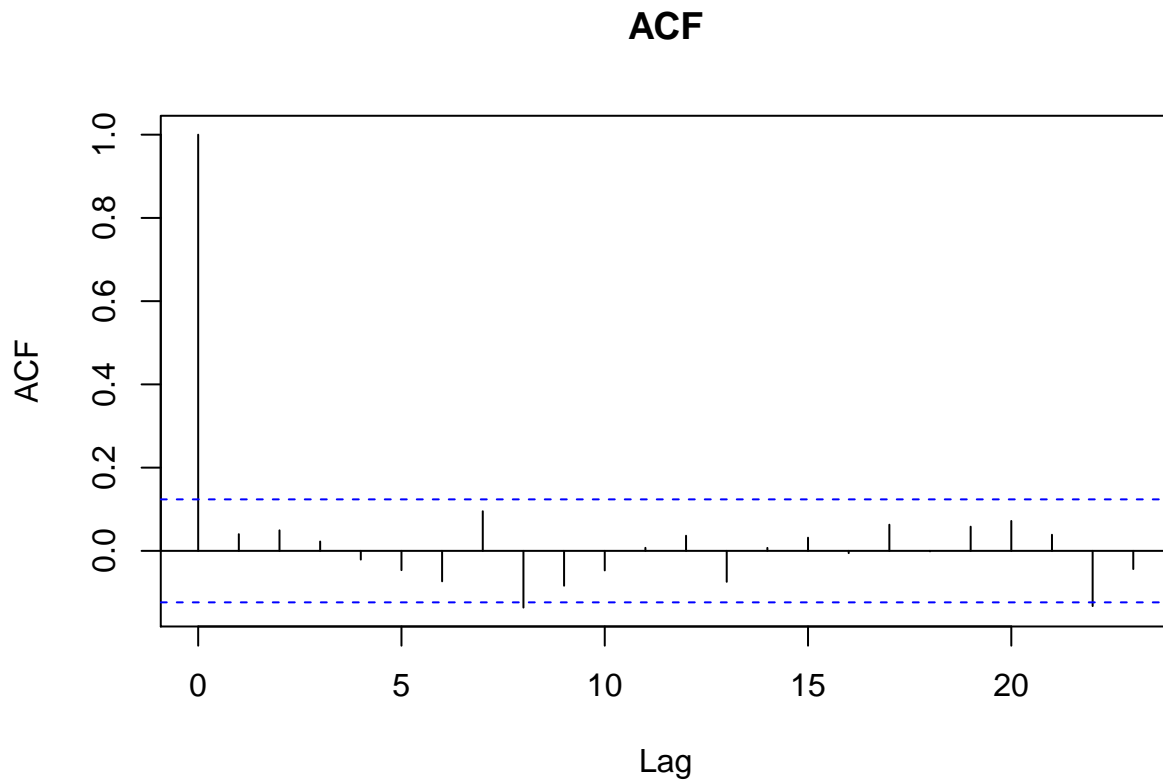
## 'getSymbols' currently uses auto.assign=TRUE by default, but will
## use auto.assign=FALSE in 0.5-0. You will still be able to use
## 'loadSymbols' to automatically load data. getOption("getSymbols.env")
## and getOption("getSymbols.auto.assign") will still be checked for
## alternate defaults.
##
## This message is shown once per session and may be disabled by setting
## options("getSymbols.warning4.0"=FALSE). See ?getSymbols for details.
##
## WARNING: There have been significant changes to Yahoo Finance data.
## Please see the Warning section of '?getSymbols.yahoo' for details.
##
## This message is shown once per session and may be disabled by setting
## options("getSymbols.yahoo.warning"=FALSE).
logret = dailyReturn(Ad(goog), type='log')
plot(logret, main='Log return of GOOG, Year 2017')
```



The log returns exhibit certain level of volatility clustering. However, there is no clear evidence of non-stationarity by just looking at the plot.

## 4.2

```
acf(logret, main='ACF')
```



### 4.3

```
Box.test(logret, lag=20, type="Ljung-Box")
```

```
##  
## Box-Ljung test  
##  
## data: logret  
## X-squared = 18.395, df = 20, p-value = 0.5614
```

The p-value is large. We fail to reject  $H_0 : \{\rho_X(h) = 0 \text{ for some } h\}$ . That is, there is no evidence of serial correlation up to lag 20.