

Lab 4 Assignment

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1. Reading the Data

We introduce the Time Series Data Library (TSDL) created by Professor Rob Hyndman. (<https://rdrr.io/github/FinYang/tsdl/f/vignettes/tsdl.Rmd>)

Run the following code to import quarterly Iowa nonfarm income in R:

```
#uncomment the next three lines when you first install tsdl library
#install.packages("devtools")
#install.packages("forecast")
#devtools::install_github("FinYang/tsdl")
library(tsdl)
library(forecast)
meta_tsdl$description[[1]]
iowa.ts <- tsdl[[1]]
```

2. Data Analysis

- Plot the time series. What do you notice? Does the variance change over time? Is there a trend and/or seasonal components?
- Apply a Box-Cox transformation to the time series, find the optimal λ , transform the data, and re-plot the transformed time series vs. original time series.
- Calculate the sample variance and examine the sample ACF of the transformed data (set `max.lag = 48` or `60`). What do you notice? Assess if there is trend in the data. If yes, remove trend components by using the `diff()` at `lag=1`. Plot the differenced time series. Does it look stationary? Re-calculate the sample variance.
- If there is seasonality, determine the seasonal period and remove seasonal components by differencing the time series data from (c) using the `diff()` function. Re-calculate the sample variance.
- For the stationary data you get, examine the sample ACF and sample PACF and pick significant lags for sample ACF and sample PACF.