

Lecture 6

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When we say stationary in class we almost always mean this version of *weakly stationary*.

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this is also sometimes written in terms of the autocovariance function (γ_k) as

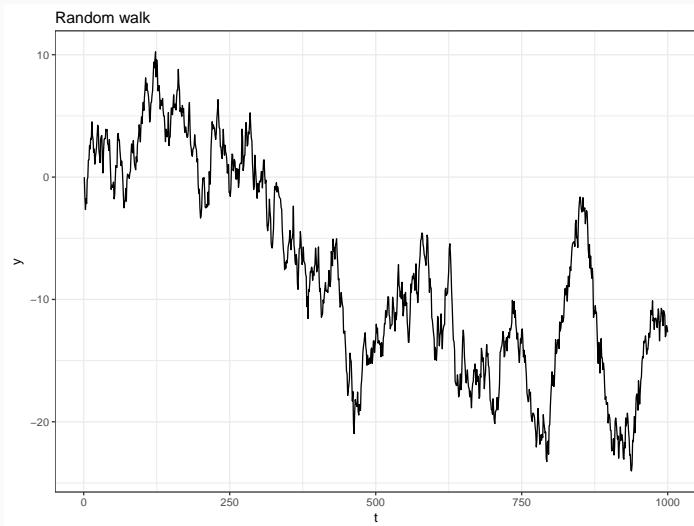
$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_k &= \gamma(t, t+k) = \text{Cov}(y_t, y_{t+k}) \\ \rho_k &= \frac{\gamma(t, t+k)}{\sqrt{\gamma(t, t)\gamma(t+k, t+k)}} = \frac{\gamma(k)}{\gamma(0)}\end{aligned}$$

Based on our definition of a (weakly) stationary process, it implies a covariance of the following structure,

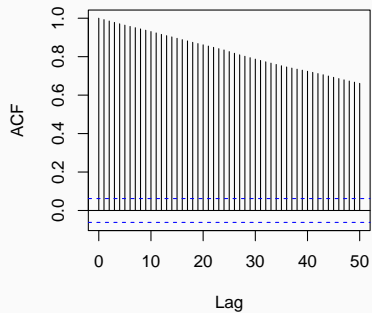
$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(2) & \gamma(3) & \cdots & \gamma(n) \\ \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(2) & \cdots & \gamma(n-1) \\ \gamma(2) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \gamma(1) & \cdots & \gamma(n-2) \\ \gamma(3) & \gamma(2) & \gamma(1) & \gamma(0) & \cdots & \gamma(n-3) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma(n) & \gamma(n-1) & \gamma(n-2) & \gamma(n-3) & \cdots & \gamma(0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Example - Random walk

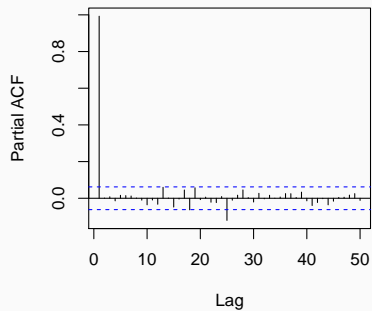
Let $y_t = y_{t-1} + w_t$ with $y_0 = 0$ and $w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Is y_t stationary?



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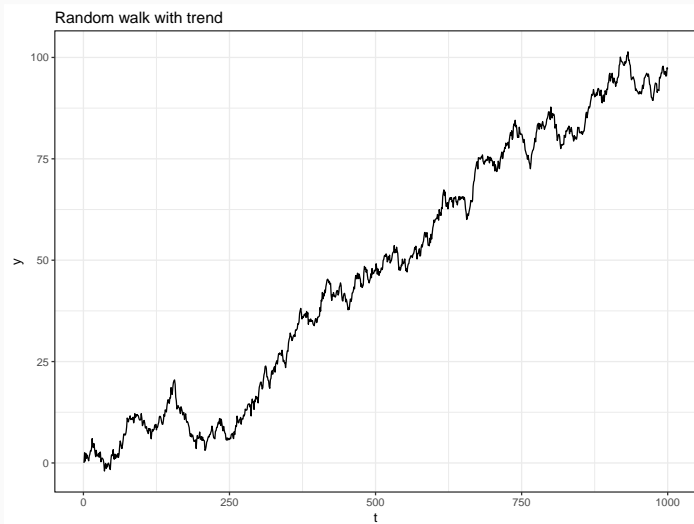


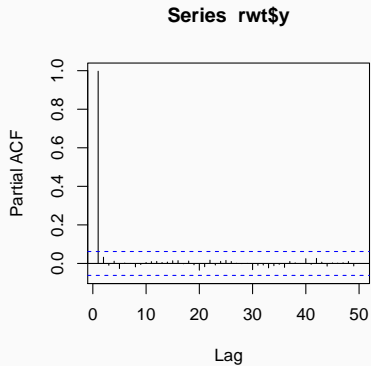
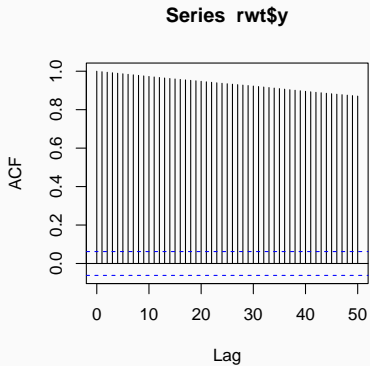
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Example - Random walk with drift

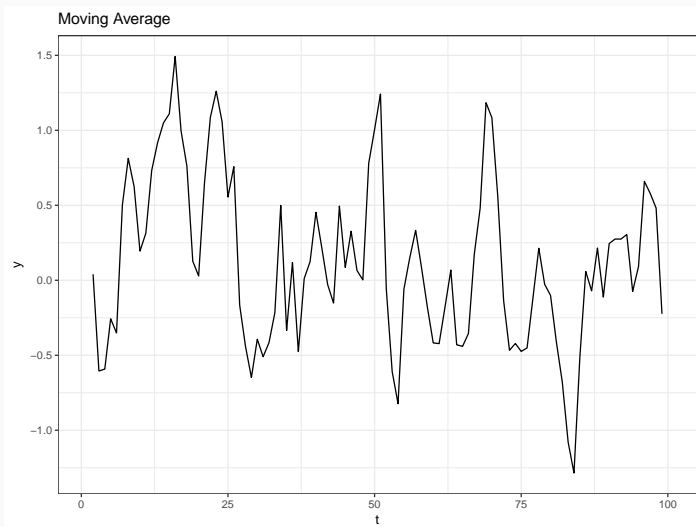
Let $y_t = \delta + y_{t-1} + w_t$ with $y_0 = 0$ and $w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Is y_t stationary?



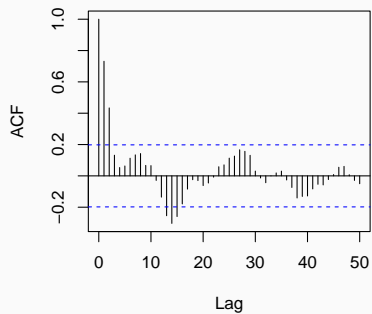


Example - Moving Average

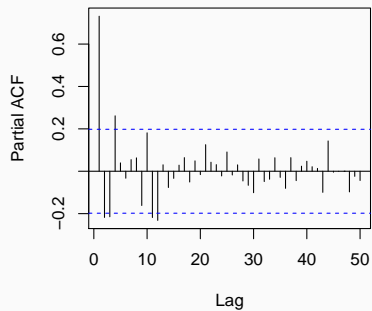
Let $w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ and $y_t = \frac{1}{3} (w_{t-1} + w_t + w_{t+1})$, is y_t stationary?



Series ma\$y

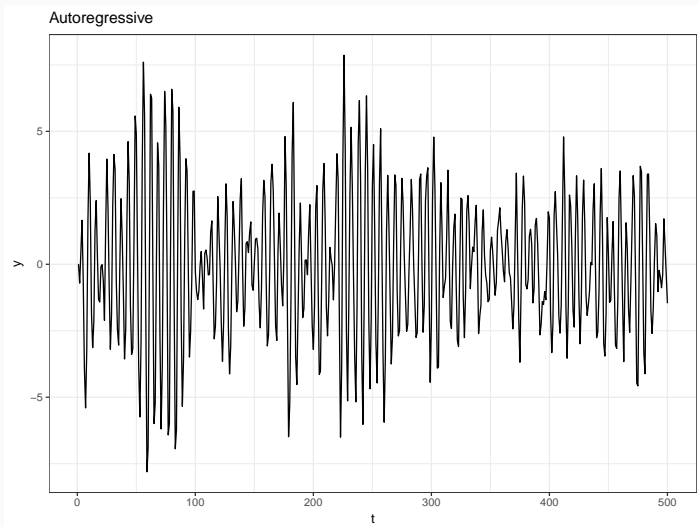


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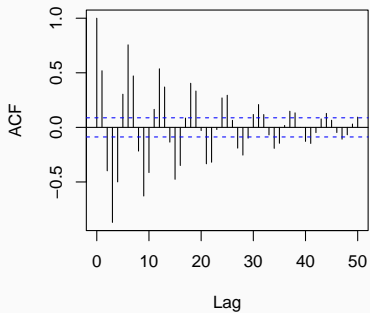


Autoregression

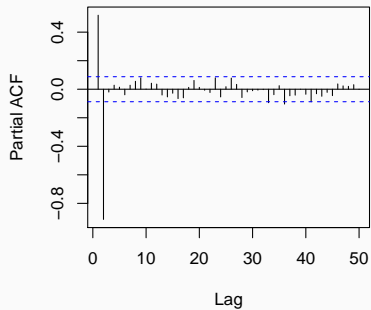
Let $w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ and $y_t = y_{t-1} - 0.9y_{t-2} + w_t$ with $y_t = 0$ for $t < 1$, is y_t stationary?



Series ar\$y



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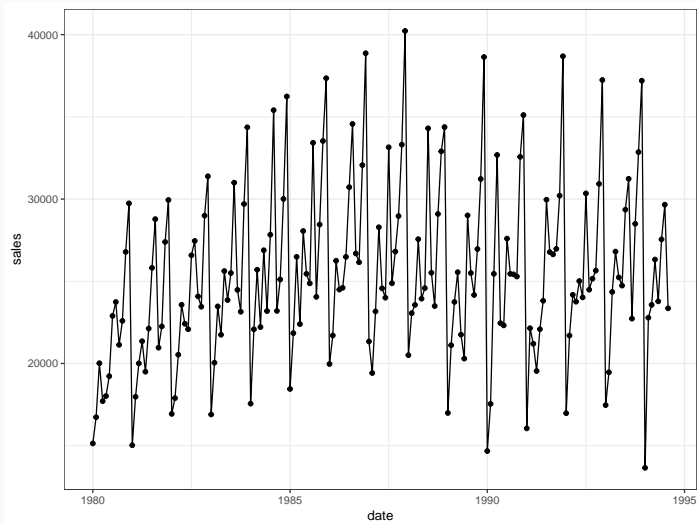


Example - Australian Wine Sales

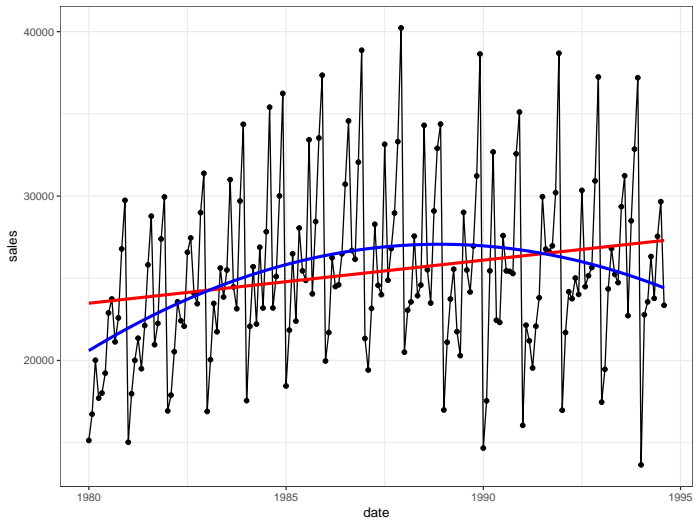
Australian total wine sales by wine makers in bottles \leq 1 litre. Jan 1980 – Aug 1994.

```
load(url("http://www.stat.duke.edu/~cr173/Sta444_Sp17/data/aus_wine.Rdata"))
aus_wine
## # A tibble: 176 × 2
##   date sales
##   <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1980.000 15136
## 2 1980.083 16733
## 3 1980.167 20016
## 4 1980.250 17708
## 5 1980.333 18019
## 6 1980.417 19227
## 7 1980.500 22893
## 8 1980.583 23739
## 9 1980.667 21133
## 10 1980.750 22591
## # ... with 166 more rows
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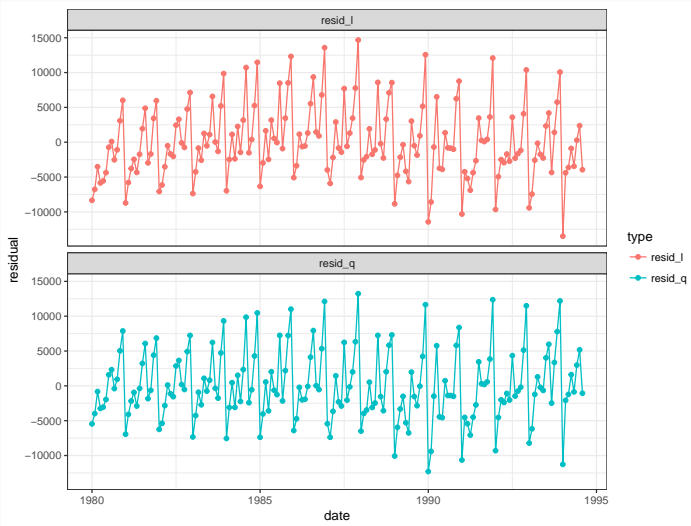
Time series



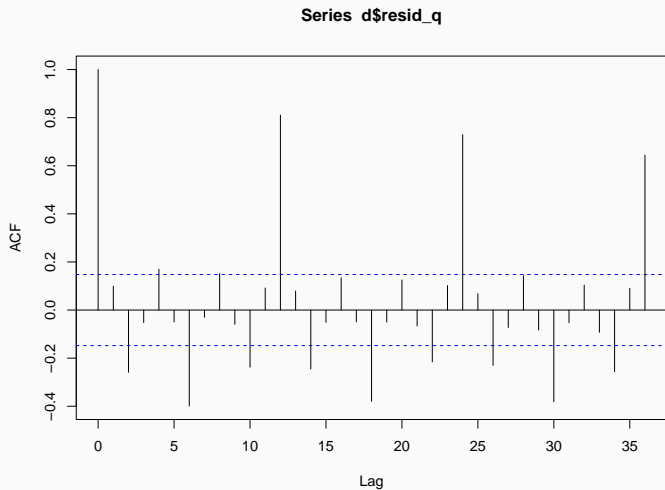
Basic Model Fit



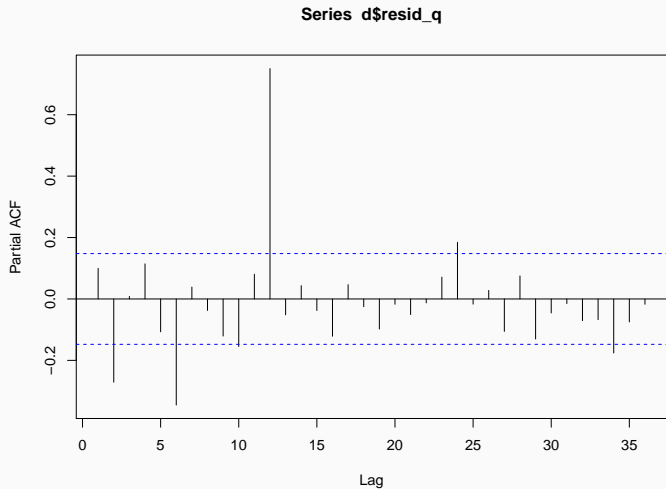
Residuals

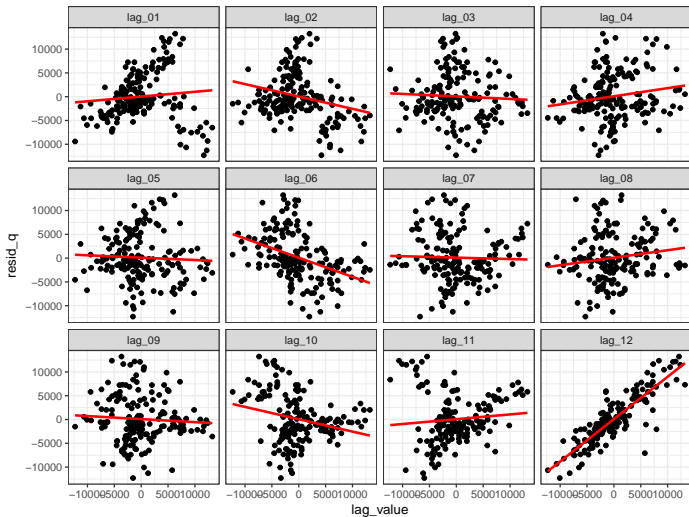


Autocorrelation Plot



Partial Autocorrelation Plot

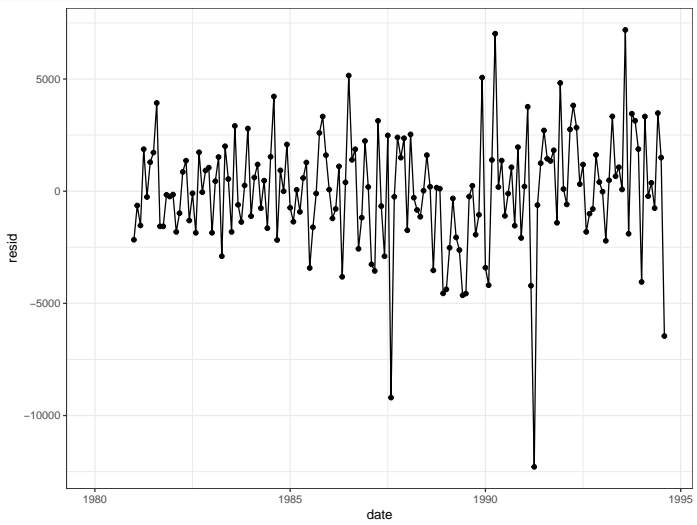


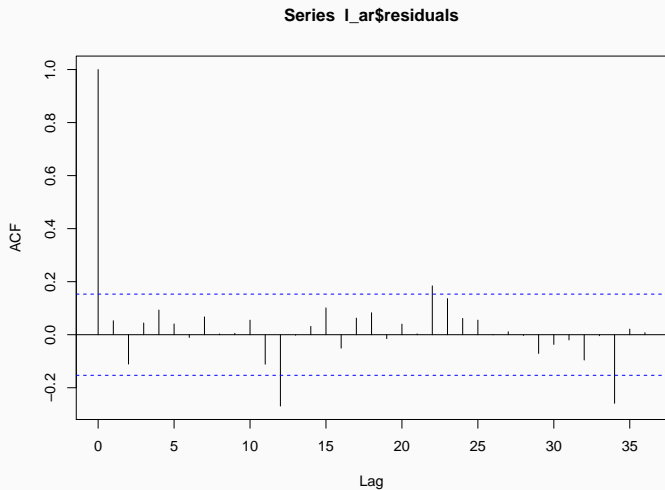


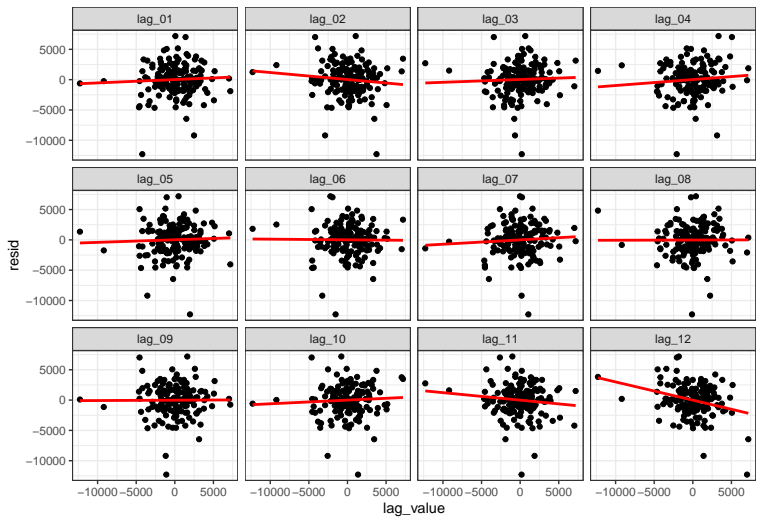
Auto regressive errors

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##
## Call:
## lm(formula = resid_q ~ lag_12, data = d_ar)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -12286.5  -1380.5    73.4   1505.2   7188.1
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  83.65080   201.58416    0.415   0.679
## lag_12       0.89024    0.04045   22.006 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2581 on 162 degrees of freedom
## (12 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7493, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7478
## F-statistic: 484.3 on 1 and 162 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Residual residuals







Writing down the model?

So, is our EDA suggesting that we then fit the following model?

$$\text{sales}(t) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 t^2 + \beta_3 \text{sales}(t - 12) + \epsilon_t$$

...

the implied model is,

$$\text{sales}(t) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 t^2 + w_t$$

where

$$w_t = \delta w_{t-12} + \epsilon_t$$