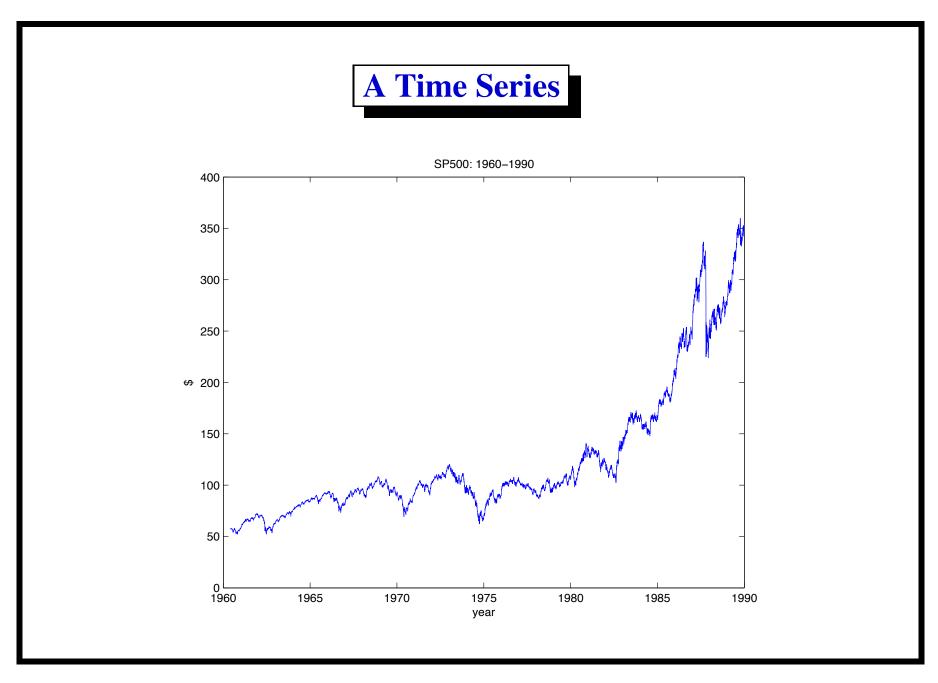
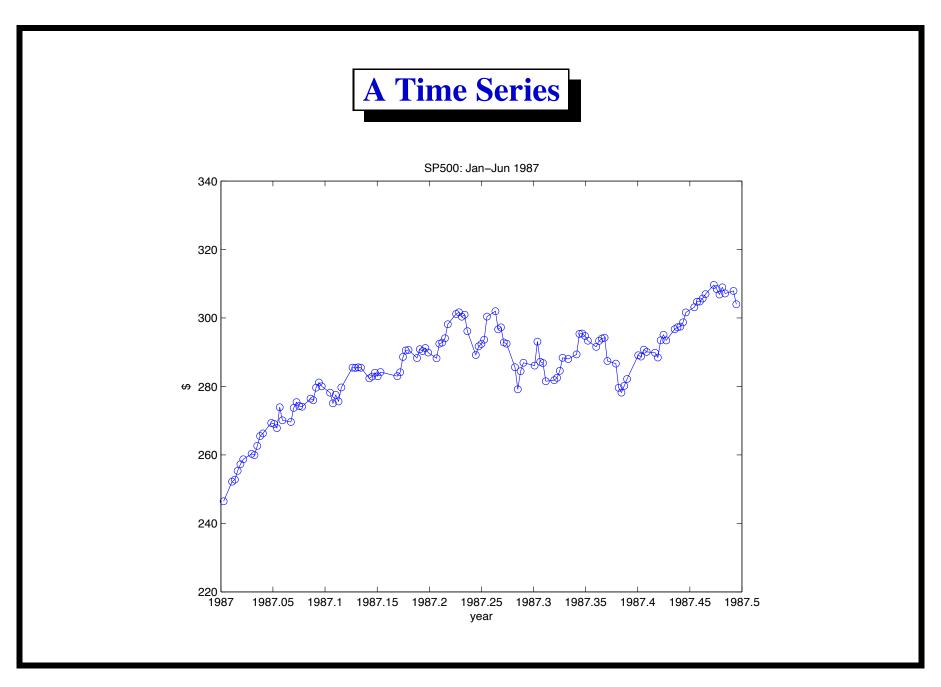
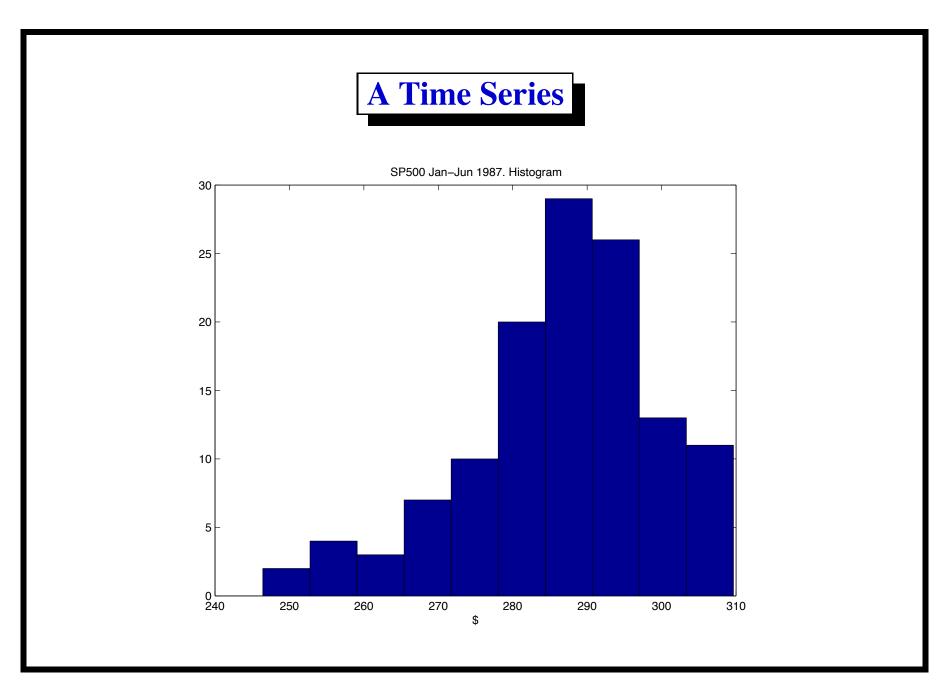
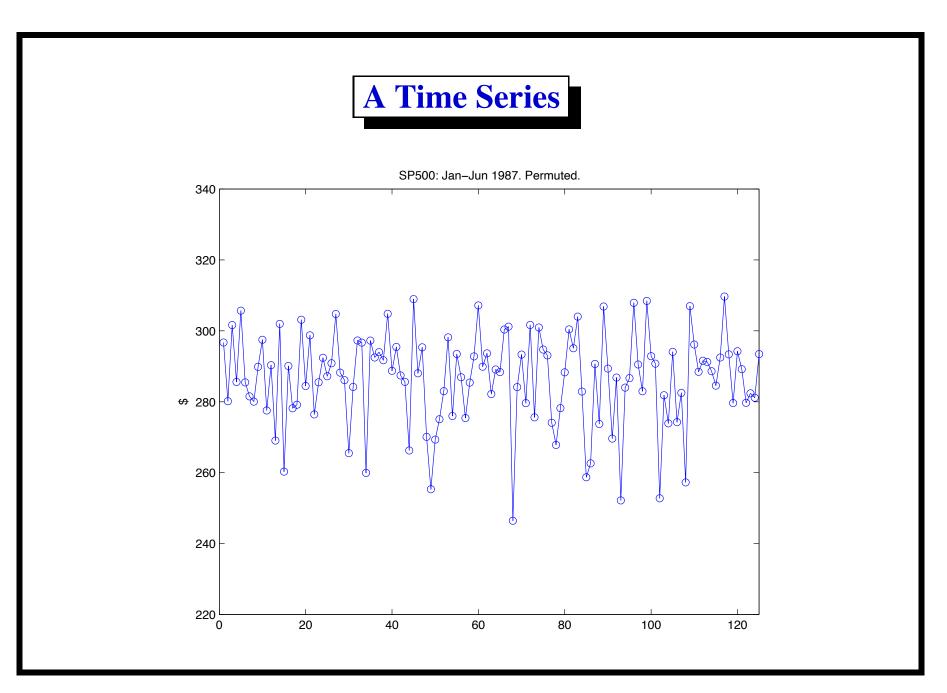
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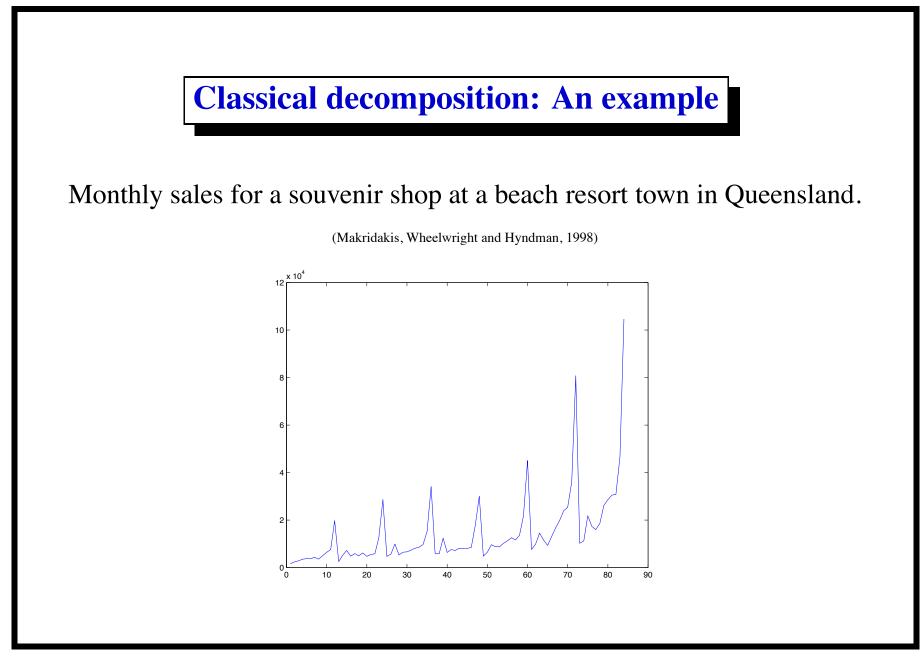


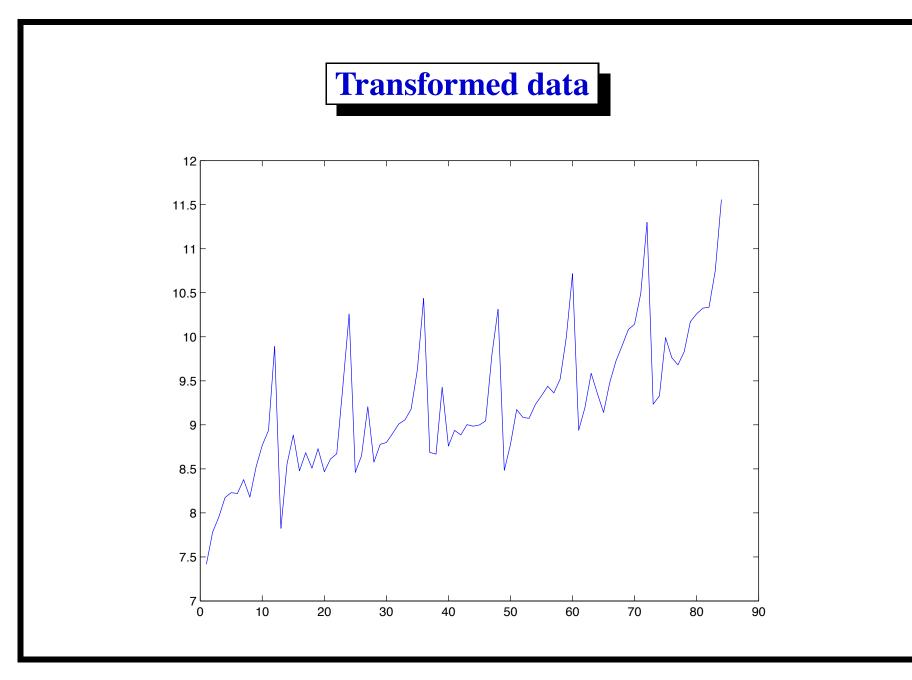


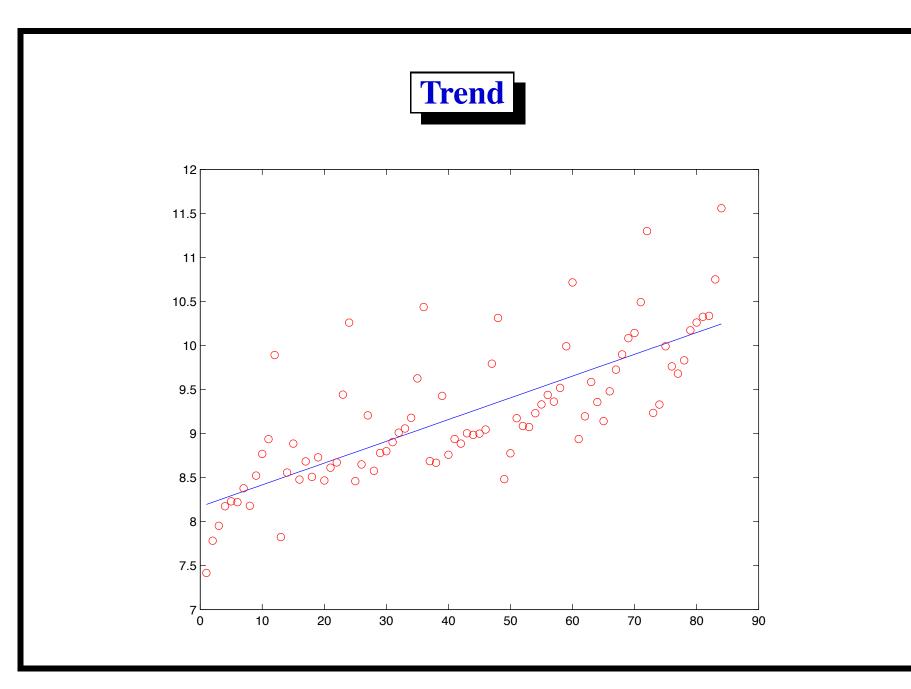


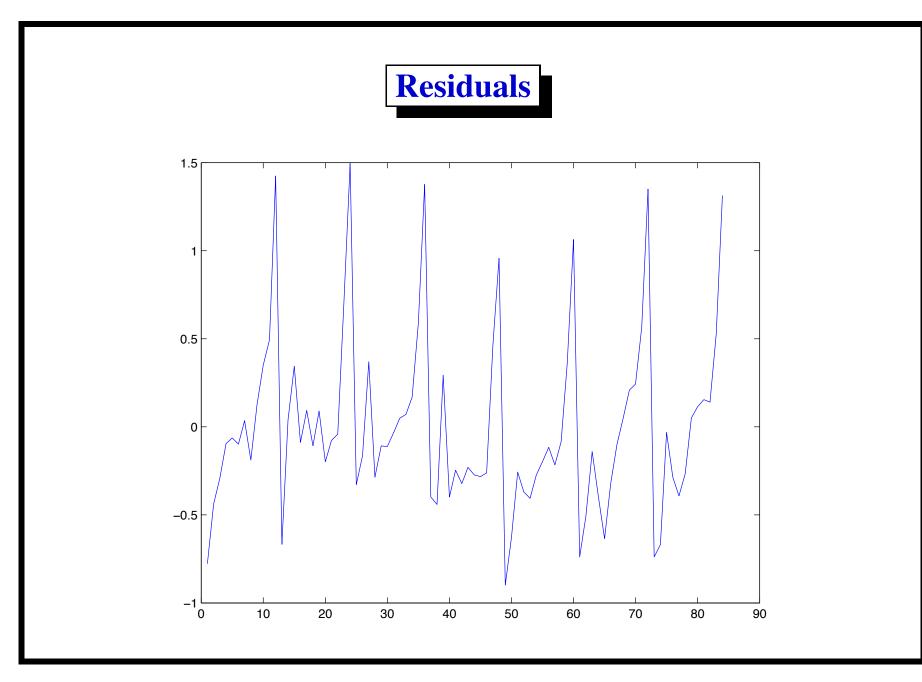
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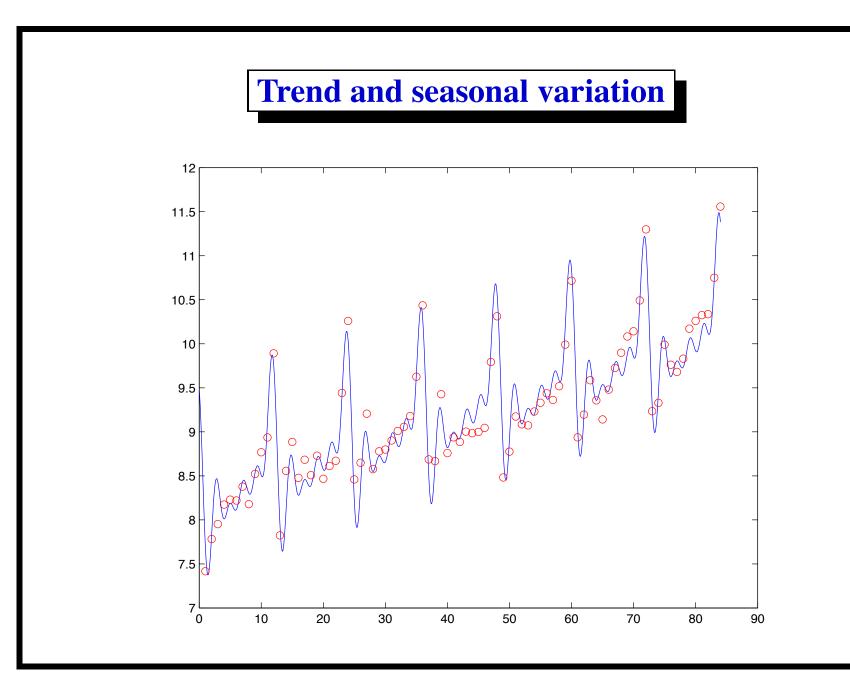
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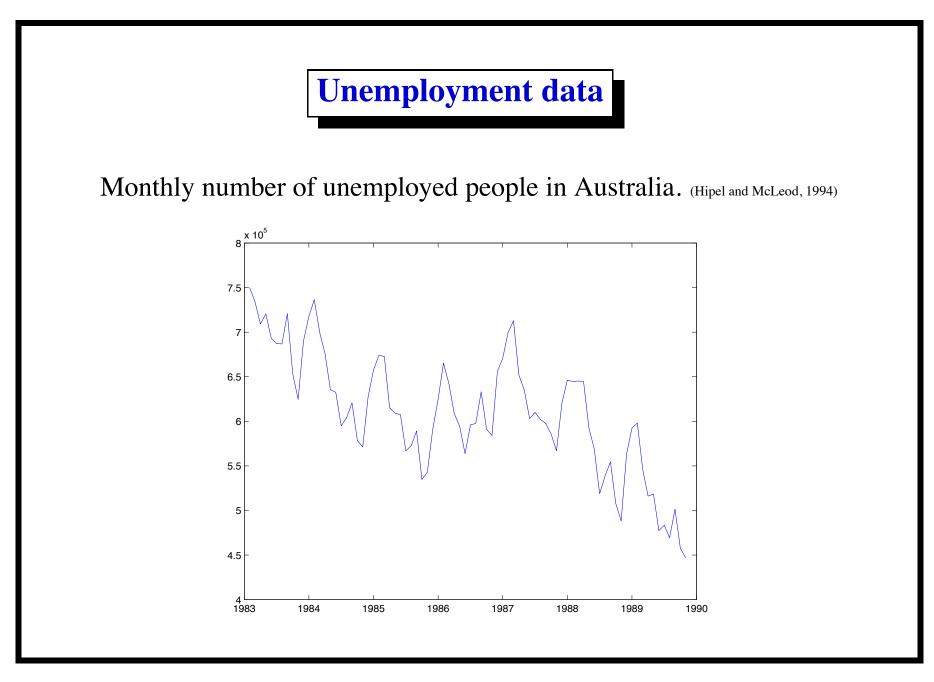
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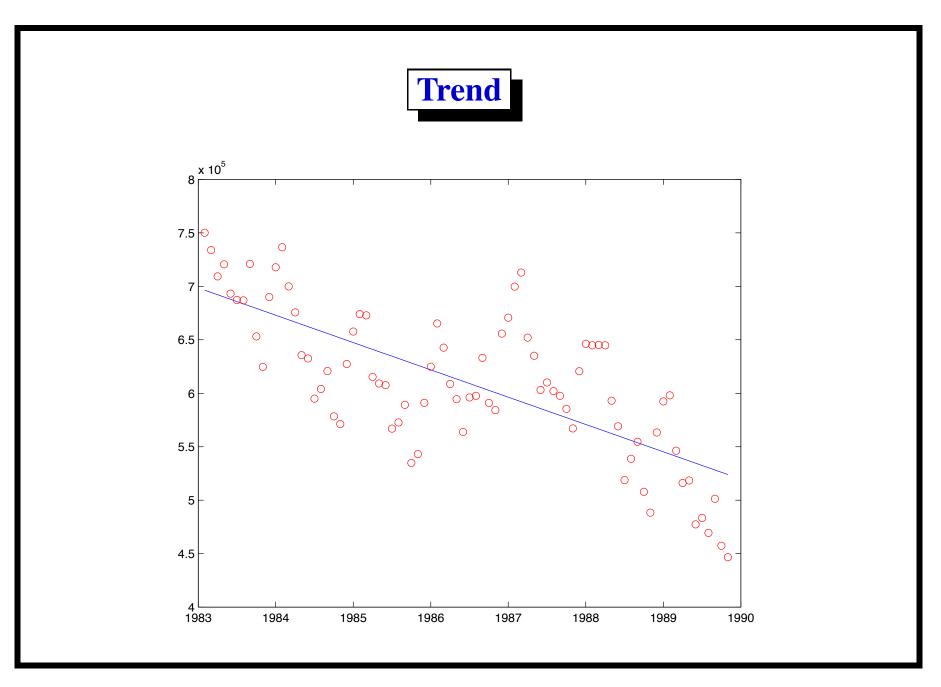
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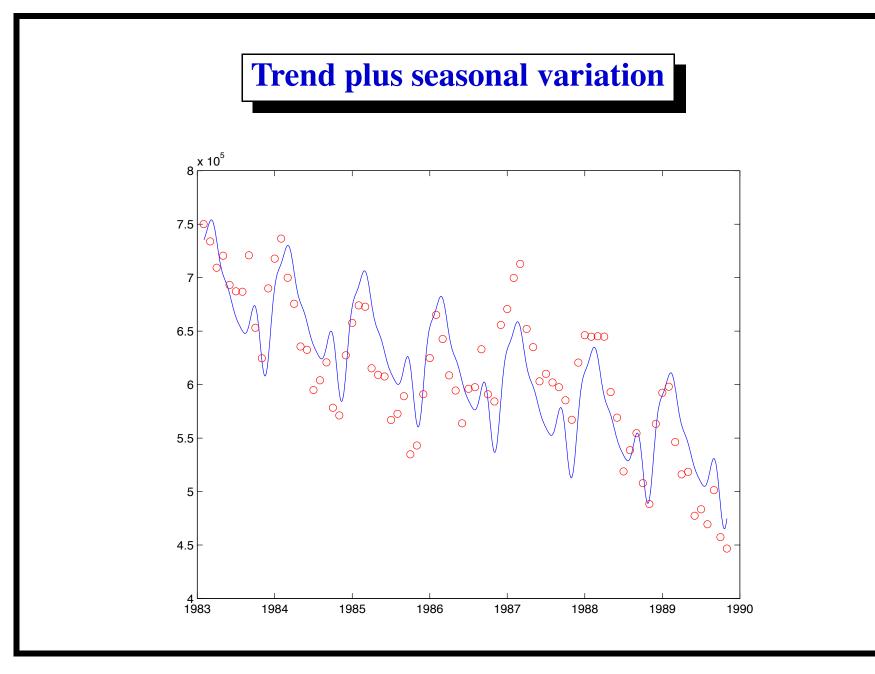
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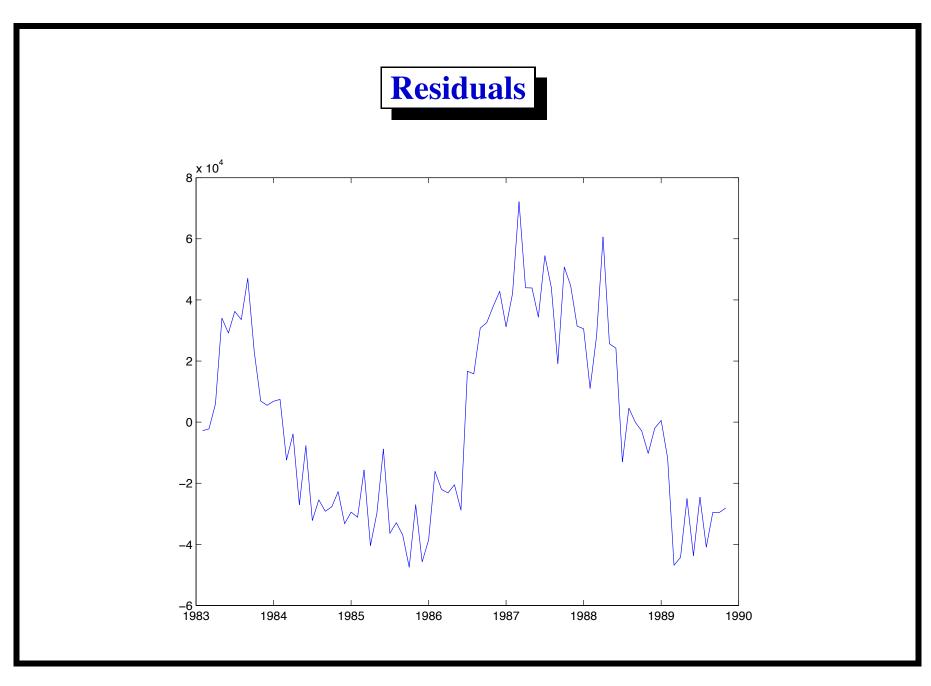
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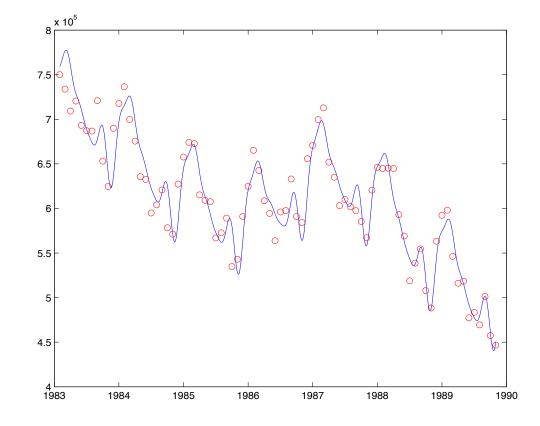








#### **Predictions based on a (simulated) variable**



#### **Objectives of Time Series Analysis**

1. Compact description of data:

$$X_t = T_t + S_t + f(Y_t) + W_t.$$

- Interpretation. Example: Seasonal adjustment.
   Forecasting. Example: Predict unemployment.
   Control. Example: Impact of monetary policy on unemployment.
   Hypothesis testing. Example: Global warming.
- 6. Simulation. Example: Estimate probability of catastrophic events.

- 1. Time series models
  - (a) Stationarity.
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  - (c) Transforming to stationarity.
- 2. Time domain methods
- 3. Spectral analysis
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- 1. Time series models
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  - (b) Forecasting, Kalman filter.
  - (c) Parameter estimation.

# **Time Series Models**

A **time series model** specifies the joint distribution of the sequence  $\{X_t\}$  of random variables. For example:

 $P[X_1 \leq x_1, \ldots, X_t \leq x_t]$  for all t and  $x_1, \ldots, x_t$ .

#### Notation:

 $X_1, X_2, \ldots$  is a stochastic process.

 $x_1, x_2, \ldots$  is a single realization.

We'll mostly restrict our attention to **second-order properties** only:  $EX_t, E(X_{t_1}X_{t_2}).$ 

### **Time Series Models**

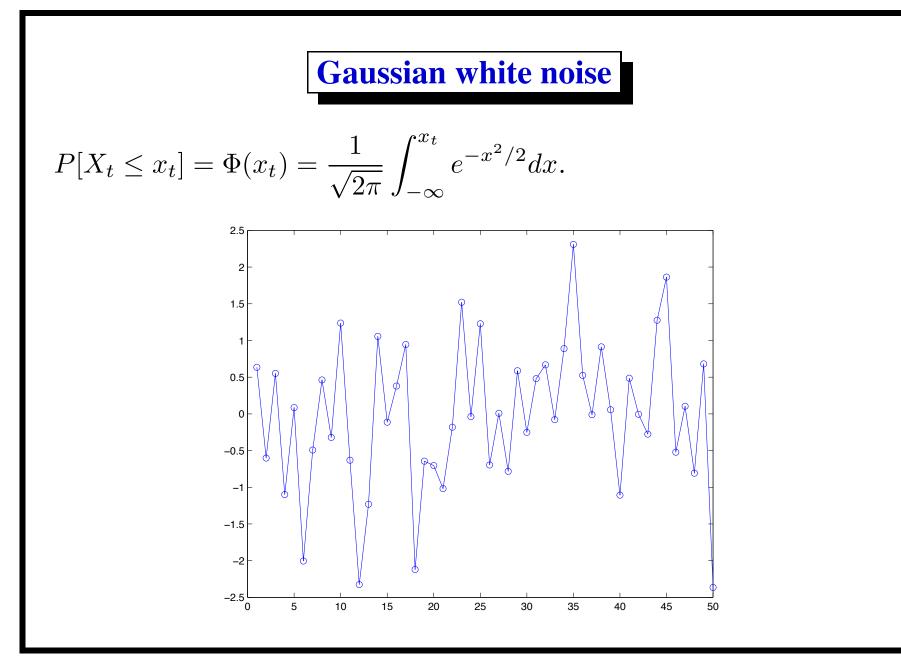
Example: White noise:  $X_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ . i.e.,  $\{X_t\}$  uncorrelated,  $EX_t = 0$ ,  $VarX_t = \sigma^2$ .

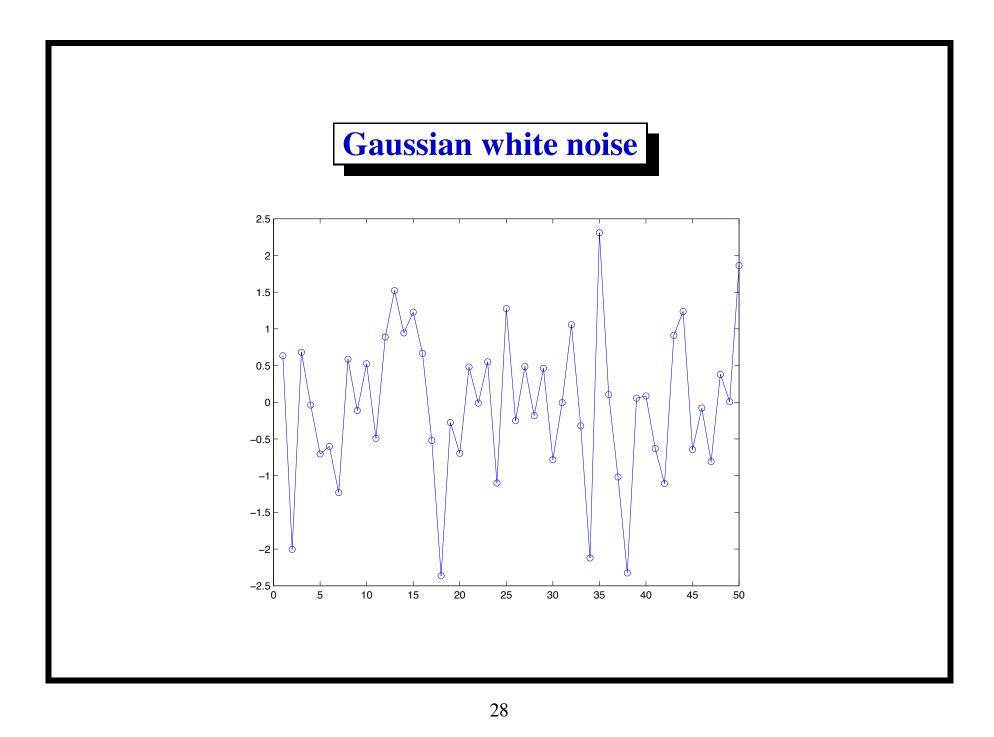
Example: i.i.d. noise:  $\{X_t\}$  independent and identically distributed.

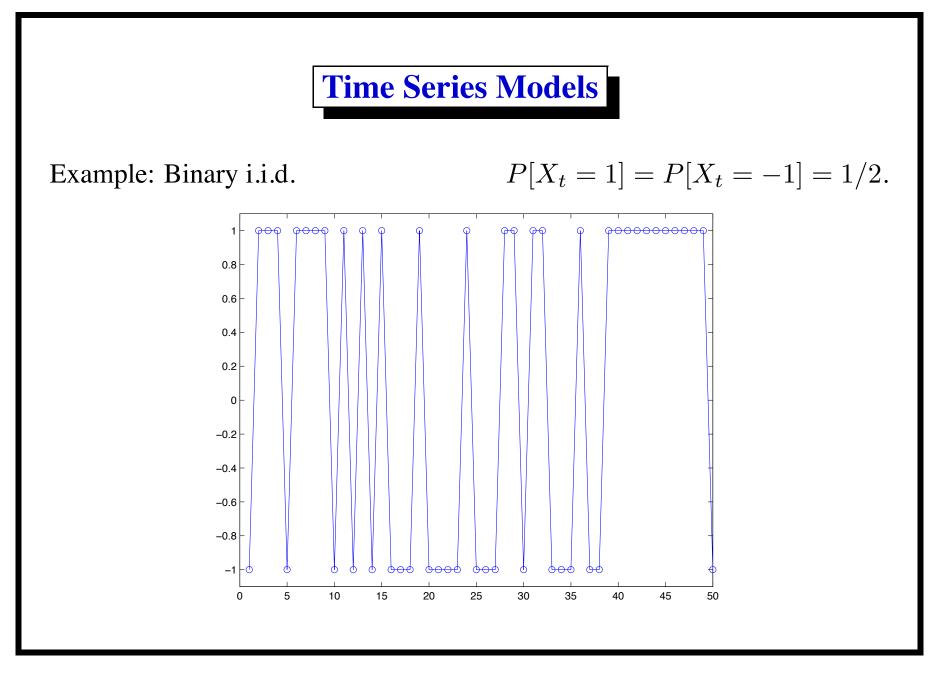
$$P[X_1 \le x_1, \dots, X_t \le x_t] = P[X_1 \le x_1] \cdots P[X_t \le x_t].$$

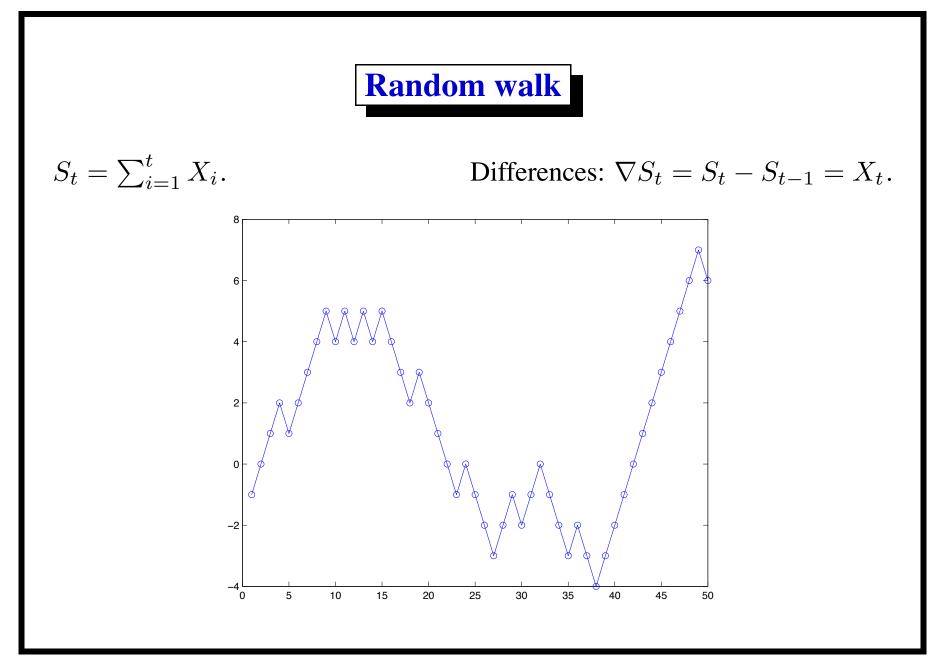
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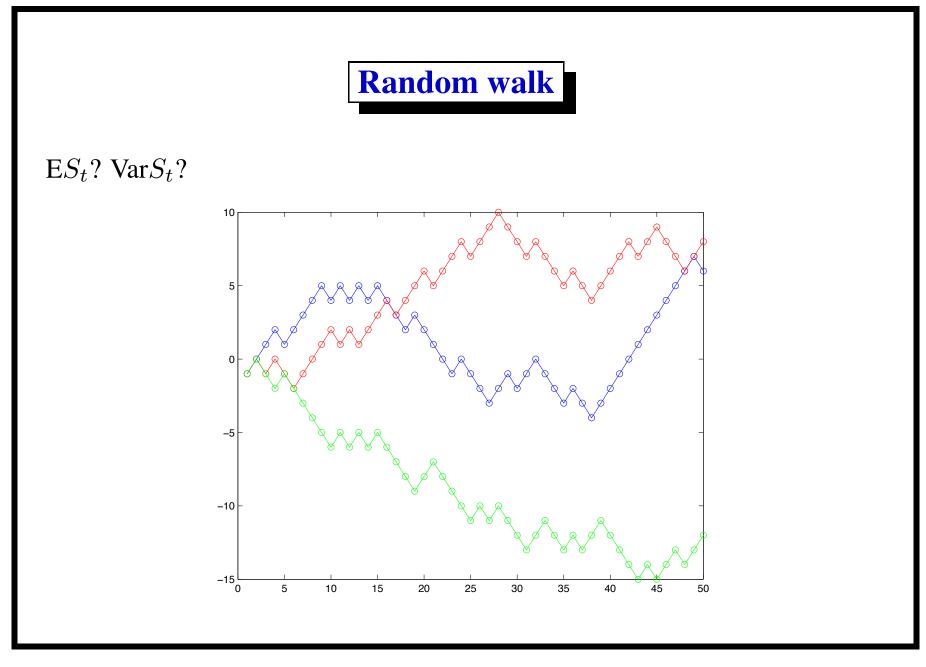
$$P[X_t \le x_t | X_1, \dots, X_{t-1}] = P[X_t \le x_t].$$

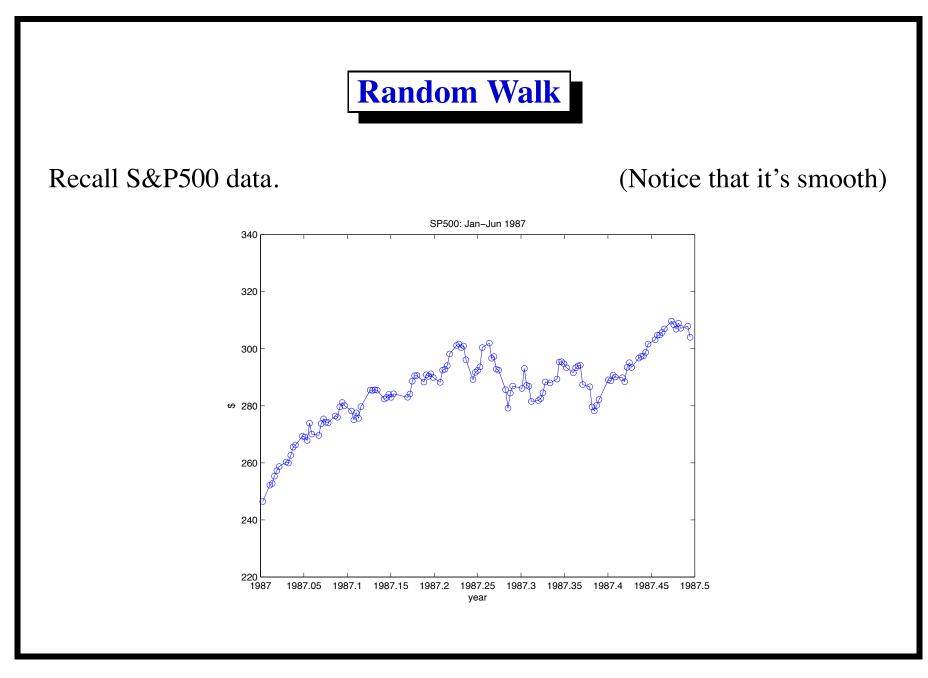


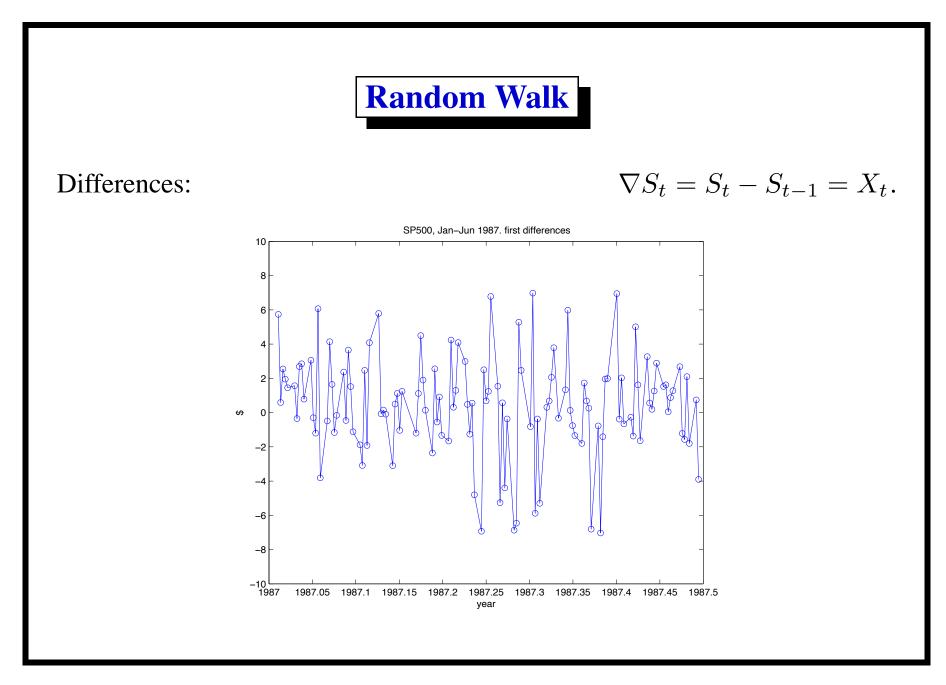


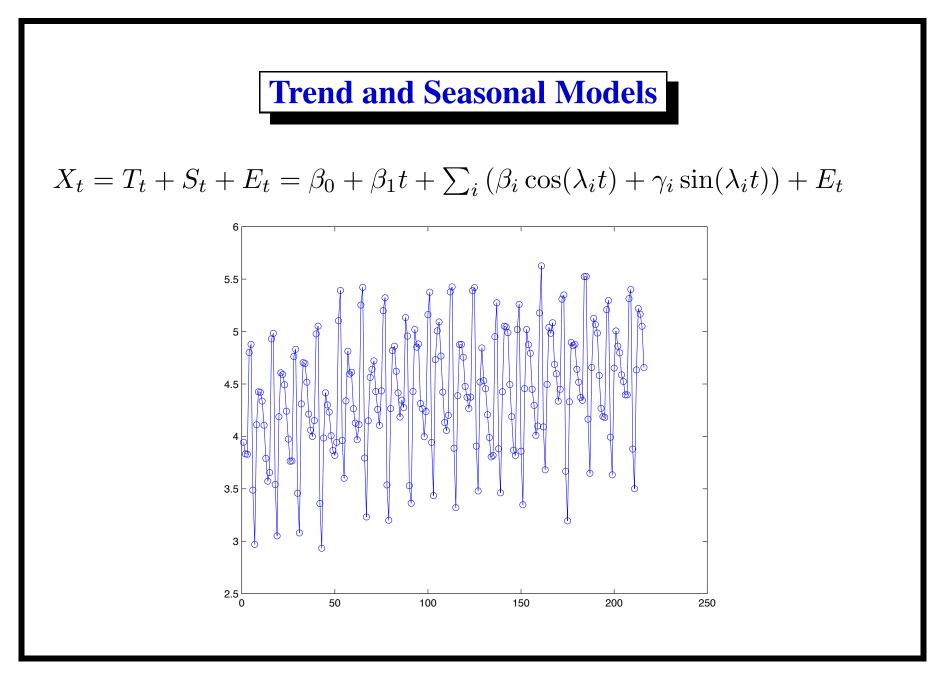






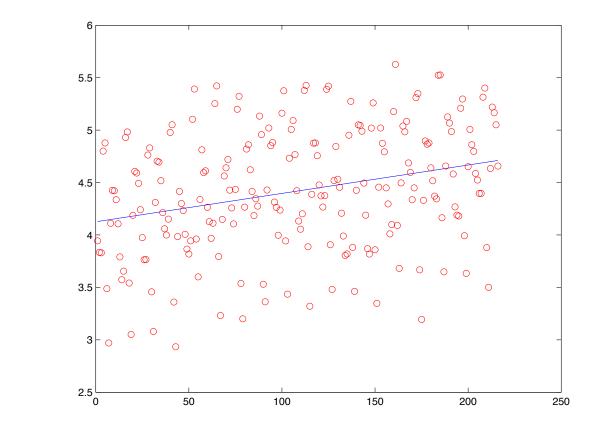


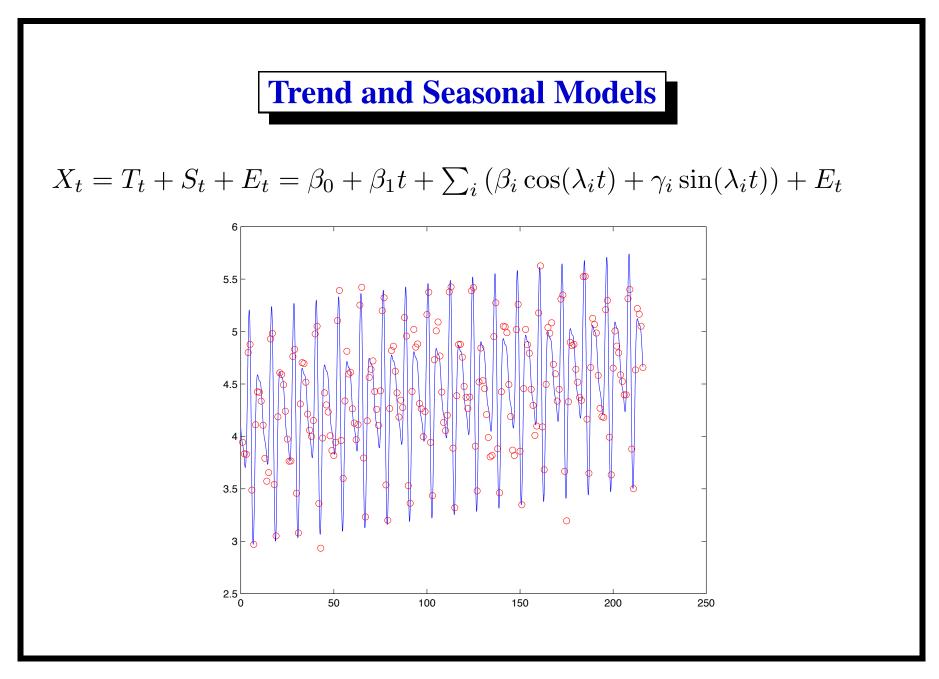




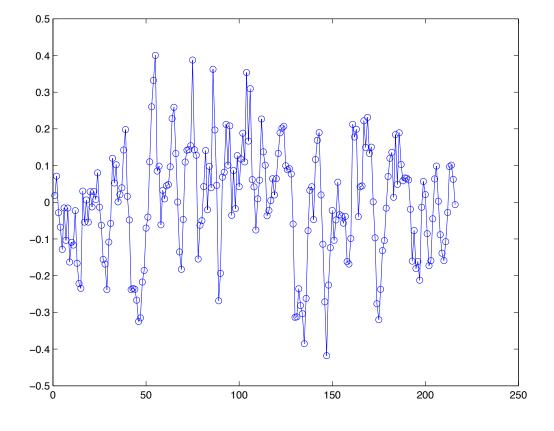
#### **Trend and Seasonal Models**

 $X_t = T_t + E_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + E_t$ 





## **Trend and Seasonal Models: Residuals**



# **Time Series Modelling**

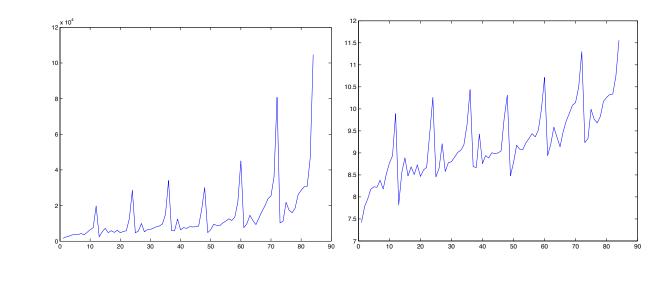
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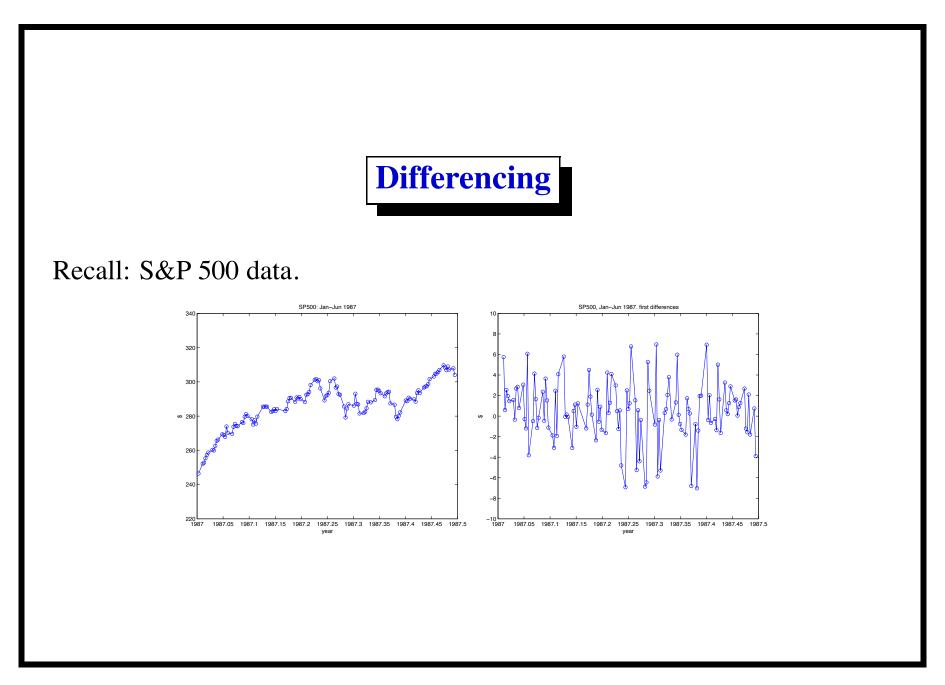
Look for trends, seasonal components, step changes, outliers.

- 2. Transform data so that residuals are stationary.
  - (a) Estimate and subtract  $T_t, S_t$ .
  - (b) Differencing.
  - (c) Nonlinear transformations (log,  $\sqrt{\cdot}$ ).
- 3. Fit model to residuals.

## **Nonlinear transformations**

Recall: Monthly sales. (Makridakis, Wheelwright and Hyndman, 1998)





# **Differencing and Trend**

Define the lag-1 **difference operator**,

(think 'fi rst derivative')

$$\nabla X_t = X_t - X_{t-1} = (1-B)X_t,$$

where B is the **backshift** operator,  $BX_t = X_{t-1}$ .

• If 
$$X_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + Y_t$$
, then

$$\nabla X_t = \beta_1 + \nabla Y_t.$$

• If 
$$X_t = \sum_{i=0}^k \beta_i t^i + Y_t$$
, then

$$\nabla^k X_t = k! \beta_k + \nabla^k Y_t,$$

where  $\nabla^k X_t = \nabla(\nabla^{k-1} X_t)$  and  $\nabla^1 X_t = \nabla X_t$ .

### **Differencing and Seasonal Variation**

Define the lag-s difference operator,

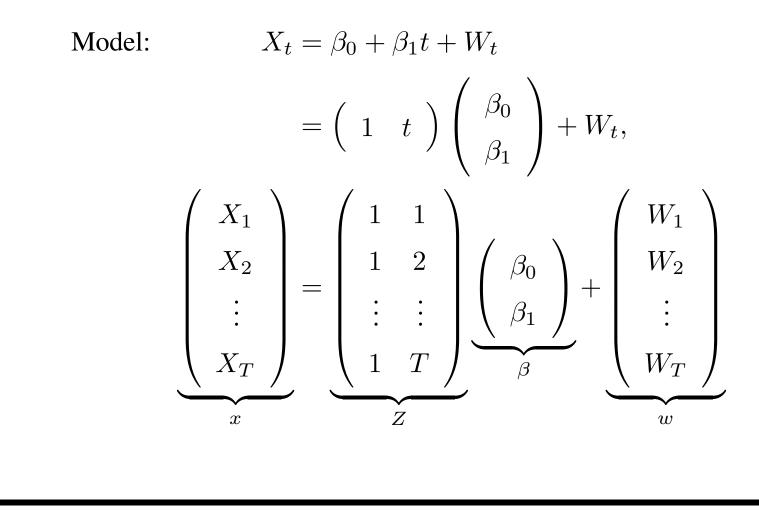
$$\nabla_s X_t = X_t - X_{t-s} = (1 - B^s) X_t,$$

where  $B^s$  is the backshift operator applied s times,  $B^s X_t = B(B^{s-1}X_t)$ and  $B^1 X_t = B X_t$ .

If  $X_t = T_t + S_t + Y_t$ , and  $S_t$  has period s (that is,  $S_t = S_{t-s}$  for all t), then

$$\nabla_s X_t = T_t - T_{t-s} + \nabla_s Y_t.$$

#### **Least Squares Regression**



**Least Squares Regression** 

$$x = Z\beta + w.$$

Least squares: choose  $\beta$  to minimize  $||w||^2 = ||x - Z\beta||^2$ .

Solution  $\hat{\beta}$  satisfies the *normal equations*:

$$\nabla_{\beta} \|w\|^2 = 2Z'(x - Z\hat{\beta}) = 0.$$

If Z'Z is nonsingular, the solution is unique:

$$\hat{\beta} = (Z'Z)^{-1}Z'x.$$

## **Least Squares Regression**

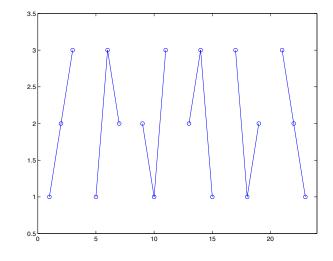
Properties of the least squares solution ( $\hat{\beta} = (Z'Z)^{-1}Z'x$ ):

- Linear.
- Unbiased.
- For  $\{W_t\}$  i.i.d., it is the linear unbiased estimator with smallest variance.

Other regressors Z: polynomial, trigonometric functions, piecewise polynomial (splines), etc.

### **Testing i.i.d.: Turning point test**

 $\{X_t\}$  i.i.d. implies that  $X_t, X_{t+1}$  and  $X_{t+2}$  are equally likely to occur in any of six possible orders:



(provided  $X_t, X_{t+1}, X_{t+2}$  are distinct).

Four of the six are **turning points**.

### **Testing i.i.d.: Turning point test**

Define  $T = |\{t : X_t, X_{t+1}, X_{t+2} \text{ is a turning point}\}|.$ 

 $\mathbf{E}T = (n-2)2/3.$ 

Can show  $T \sim AN(2n/3, 8n/45)$ .

Notation: 
$$X \sim AN(\mu, \sigma^2) \Leftrightarrow \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0, 1).$$

Reject (at 5% level) the hypothesis that the series is i.i.d. if

$$\left|T - \frac{2n}{3}\right| > 1.96\sqrt{\frac{8n}{45}}$$

Tests for positive/negative correlations at lag 1.

**Testing i.i.d.: Difference-sign test** 

$$S = |\{i : X_i > X_{i-1}\}| = |\{i : (\nabla X)_i > 0\}|.$$
$$ES = \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

Can show  $S \sim AN(n/2, n/12)$ .

Reject (at 5% level) the hypothesis that the series is i.i.d. if

$$\left|S - \frac{n}{2}\right| > 1.96\sqrt{\frac{n}{12}}$$

Tests for trend.

(But a periodic sequence can pass this test...)

Testing i.i.d.: Rank test

$$N = |\{(i, j) : X_i > X_j \text{ and } i > j\}|.$$
  
 $EN = \frac{n(n-1)}{4}.$ 

Can show  $N \sim AN(n^2/4, n^3/36)$ .

Reject (at 5% level) the hypothesis that the series is i.i.d. if

$$\left|N - \frac{n^2}{4}\right| > 1.96\sqrt{\frac{n^3}{36}}.$$

Tests for linear trend.

### Testing if an i.i.d. sequence is Gaussian: qq plot

Plot the pairs  $(m_1, X_{(1)}), \ldots, (m_n, X_{(n)})$ , where  $m_j = EX_{(j)}$ ,  $X_{(1)} < \cdots < X_{(n)}$  are order statistics from N(0, 1) sample of size n, and  $X_{(1)} < \cdots < X_{(n)}$  are order statistics of the series  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ . *Idea:* If  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$\mathbf{E}X_{(j)} = \mu + \sigma m_j,$$

so  $(m_j, X_{(j)})$  should be *linear*.

There are tests based on how far correlation of  $(m_j, X_{(j)})$  is from 1.

 $\{X_t\}$  is strictly stationary if

for all  $k, t_1, \ldots, t_k, x_1, \ldots, x_k$ , and h,

$$P(X_{t_1} \le x_1, \dots, X_{t_k} \le x_k) = P(x_{t_1+h} \le x_1, \dots, X_{t_k+h} \le x_k).$$

i.e., shifting the time axis does not affect the distribution.

We shall consider **second-order properties** only.

### **Mean and Autocovariance**

Suppose that  $\{X_t\}$  is a time series with  $E[X_t^2] < \infty$ . Its mean function is

$$\mu_t = \mathbf{E}[X_t].$$

Its autocovariance function is

$$\gamma_X(s,t) = \operatorname{Cov}(X_s, X_t)$$
$$= \operatorname{E}[(X_s - \mu_s)(X_t - \mu_t)]$$

## Weak Stationarity

We say that  $\{X_t\}$  is (weakly) stationary if

1.  $\mu_t$  is independent of t, and

2. For each  $h, \gamma_X(t+h, t)$  is independent of t.

In that case, we write

 $\gamma_X(h) = \gamma_X(h, 0).$ 

The **autocorrelation function (ACF)** of  $\{X_t\}$  is defined as

$$\rho_X(h) = \frac{\gamma_X(h)}{\gamma_X(0)}$$
$$= \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t)}{\operatorname{Cov}(X_t, X_t)}$$
$$= \operatorname{Cor}(X_{t+h}, X_t).$$

**Example:** i.i.d. noise,  $E[X_t] = 0$ ,  $E[X_t^2] = \sigma^2$ . We have

$$\gamma_X(t+h,t) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & \text{if } h = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus,

1.  $\mu_t = 0$  is independent of t.

2. 
$$\gamma_X(t+h,t) = \gamma_X(h,0)$$
 for all t.

So  $\{X_t\}$  is stationary.

Similarly for any white noise (uncorrelated, zero mean),  $X_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ .

**Example:** Random walk,  $S_t = \sum_{i=1}^t X_i$  for i.i.d., mean zero  $\{X_t\}$ . We have  $E[S_t] = 0$ ,  $E[S_t^2] = t\sigma^2$ , and

$$\gamma_S(t+h,t) = \operatorname{Cov}(S_{t+h}, S_t)$$
$$= \operatorname{Cov}\left(S_t + \sum_{s=1}^h X_{t+s}, S_t\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{Cov}(S_t, S_t) = t\sigma^2.$$

1.  $\mu_t = 0$  is independent of t, but

2.  $\gamma_S(t+h,t)$  is not.

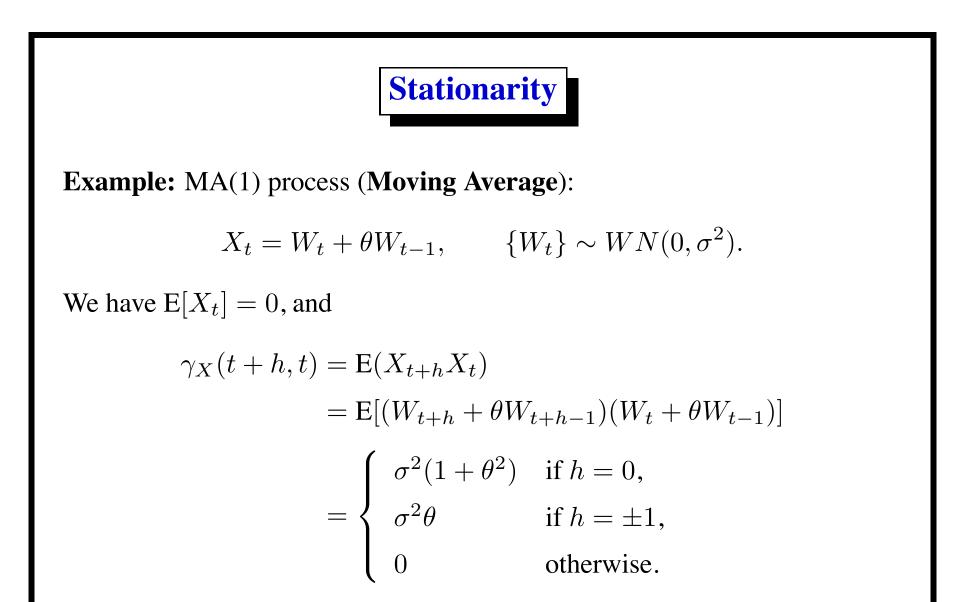
So  $\{S_t\}$  is not stationary.

An aside: covariances

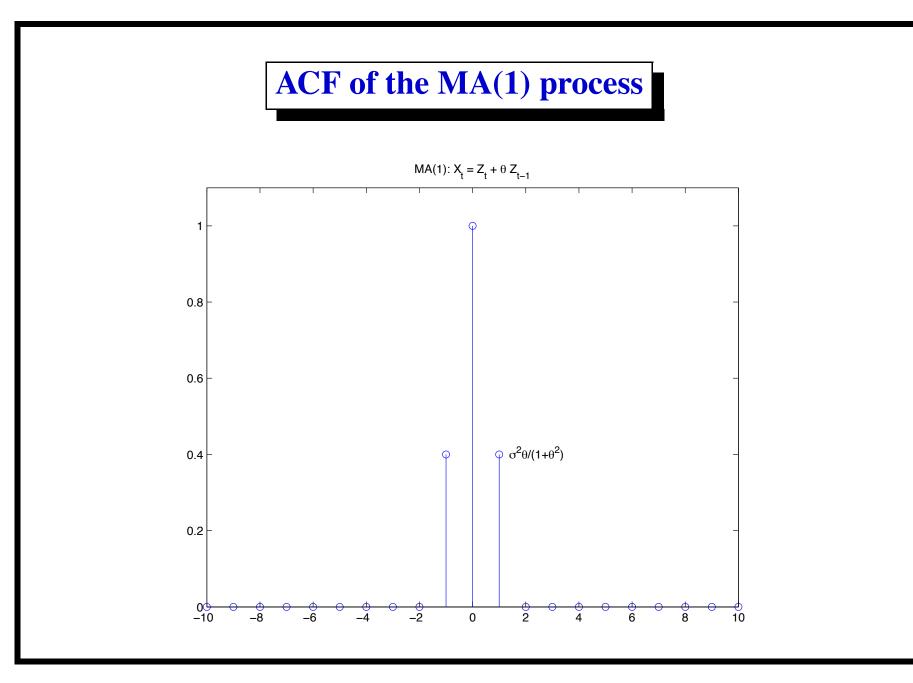
$$Cov(X + Y, Z) = Cov(X, Z) + Cov(Y, Z),$$
$$Cov(aX, Y) = a Cov(X, Y),$$

Also if X and Y are independent (e.g., X = c), then

 $\operatorname{Cov}(X,Y) = 0.$ 



Thus,  $\{X_t\}$  is stationary.



**Example:** AR(1) process (AutoRegressive):

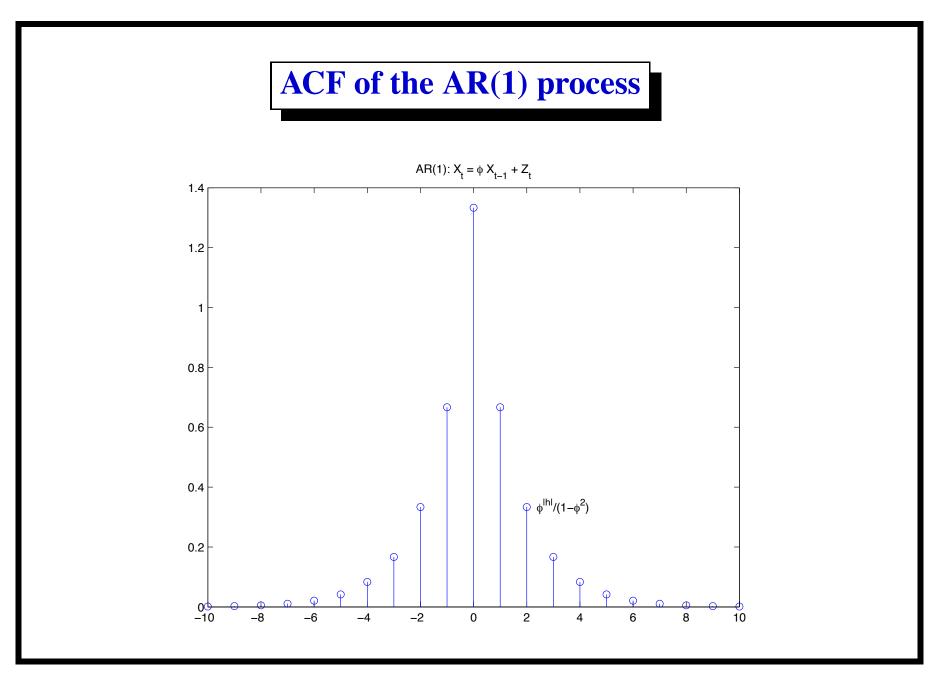
$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + W_t, \qquad \{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2).$$

Assume that  $X_t$  is stationary and  $|\phi| < 1$ . Then we have

$$E[X_t] = \phi E X_{t-1}$$
  
= 0 (from stationarity)  
$$E[X_t^2] = \phi^2 E[X_{t-1}^2] + \sigma^2$$
  
=  $\frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2}$  (from stationarity),

**Example:** AR(1) process,  $X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + W_t$ ,  $\{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ . Assume that  $X_t$  is stationary and  $|\phi| < 1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E}[X_t] &= 0, \qquad \mathbf{E}[X_t^2] = \frac{\sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2} \\ \gamma_X(h) &= \operatorname{Cov}(\phi X_{t+h-1} + Z_{t+h}, X_t) \\ &= \phi \operatorname{Cov}(X_{t+h-1}, X_t) \\ &= \phi \gamma_X(h-1) \\ &= \phi^{|h|} \gamma_X(0) \qquad \text{(check for } h > 0 \text{ and } h < 0) \\ &= \frac{\phi^{|h|} \sigma^2}{1 - \phi^2}. \end{split}$$



## **Linear Processes**

An important class of stationary time series:

 $\begin{aligned} X_t &= \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j} \\ \text{where} \quad \{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma_w^2) \\ \text{and} \quad \mu, \psi_j \text{ are parameters satisfying} \\ \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty. \end{aligned}$ 

## **Linear Processes**

$$X_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

We have

$$\mu_X = \mu$$
 $\gamma_X(h) = \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=-\infty}^\infty \psi_j \psi_{h+j}.$  (why?)

### **Examples of Linear Processes: White noise**

$$X_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

Choose  $\mu$ ,  $\psi_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ 

Then  $\{X_t\} \sim WN(\mu, \sigma_W^2)$ .

(why?)

### **Examples of Linear Processes: MA(1)**

$$X_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

Choose  $\mu = 0$  $\psi_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = 0, \\ \theta & \text{if } j = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ 

Then  $X_t = W_t + \theta W_{t-1}$ .

(why?)

## **Examples of Linear Processes: AR(1)**

$$X_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j W_{t-j}$$

Choose 
$$\mu = 0$$
  
 $\psi_j = \begin{cases} \phi^j & \text{if } j \ge 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ 

Then for  $|\phi| < 1$ , we have  $X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + W_t$ .

(why?)

### **Estimating the ACF: Sample ACF**

For observations  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  of a time series,

the sample mean is  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} x_t.$ 

The sample autocovariance function is

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} (x_{t+|h|} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x}), \quad \text{for } -n < h < n.$$

The sample autocorrelation function is

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

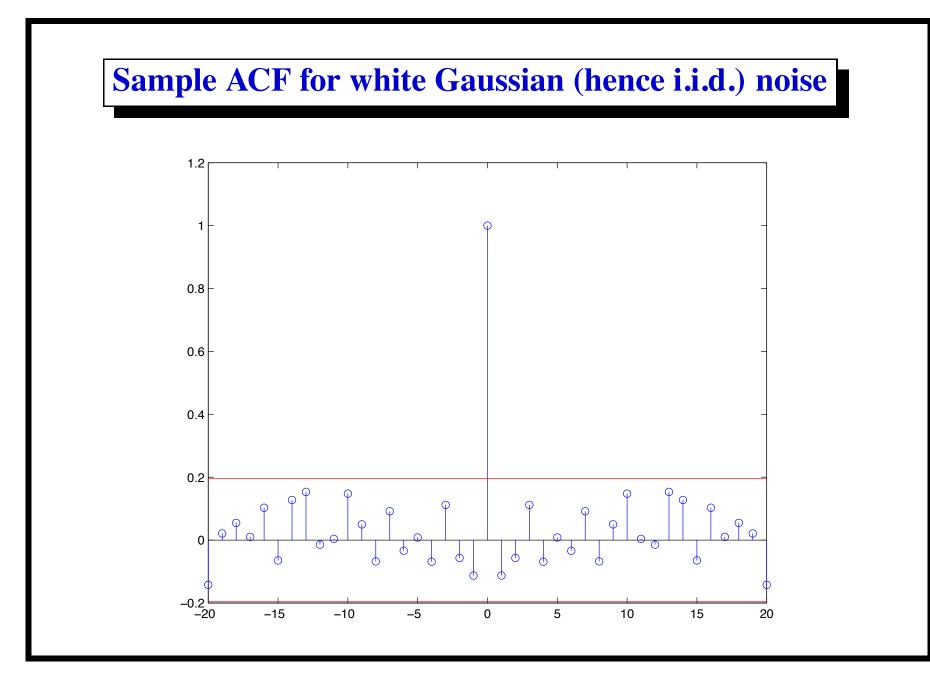
### **Estimating the ACF: Sample ACF**

Sample autocovariance function:

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} (x_{t+|h|} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x}).$$

 $\approx$  the sample covariance of  $(x_1, x_{h+1}), \ldots, (x_{n-h}, x_n)$ , except that

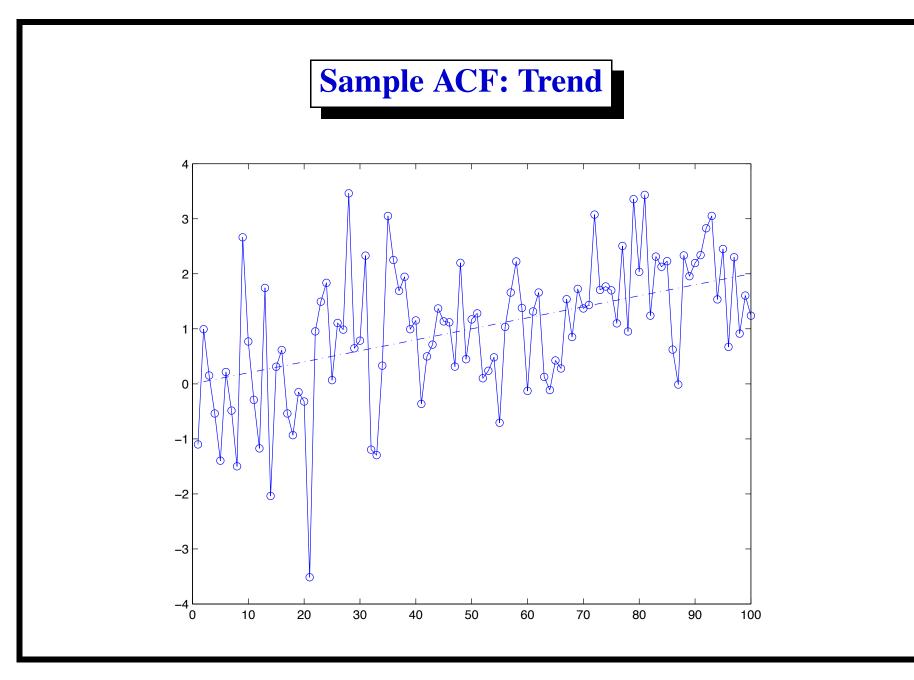
- we normalize by n instead of n h, and
- we subtract the full sample mean.

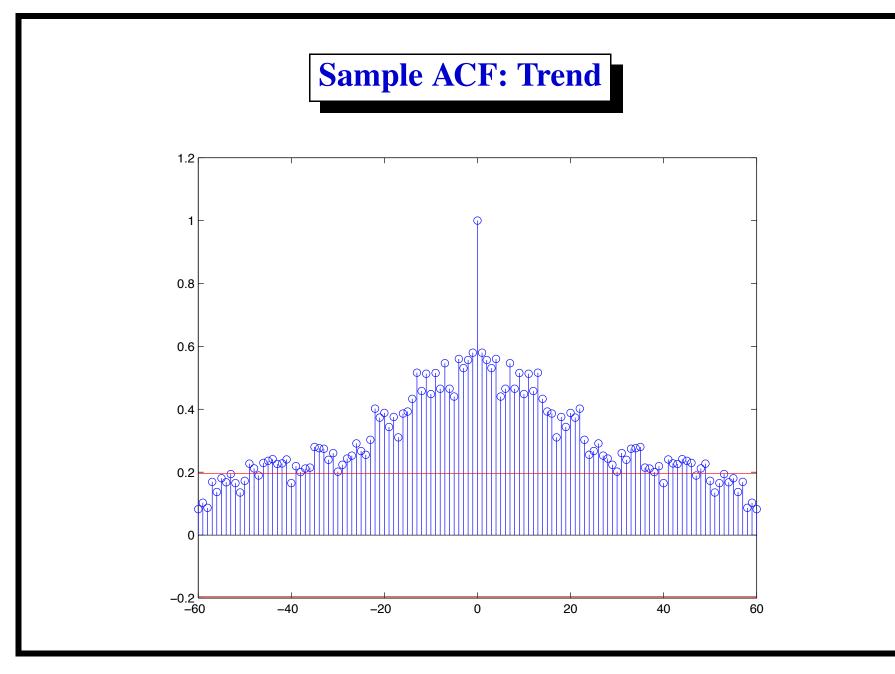


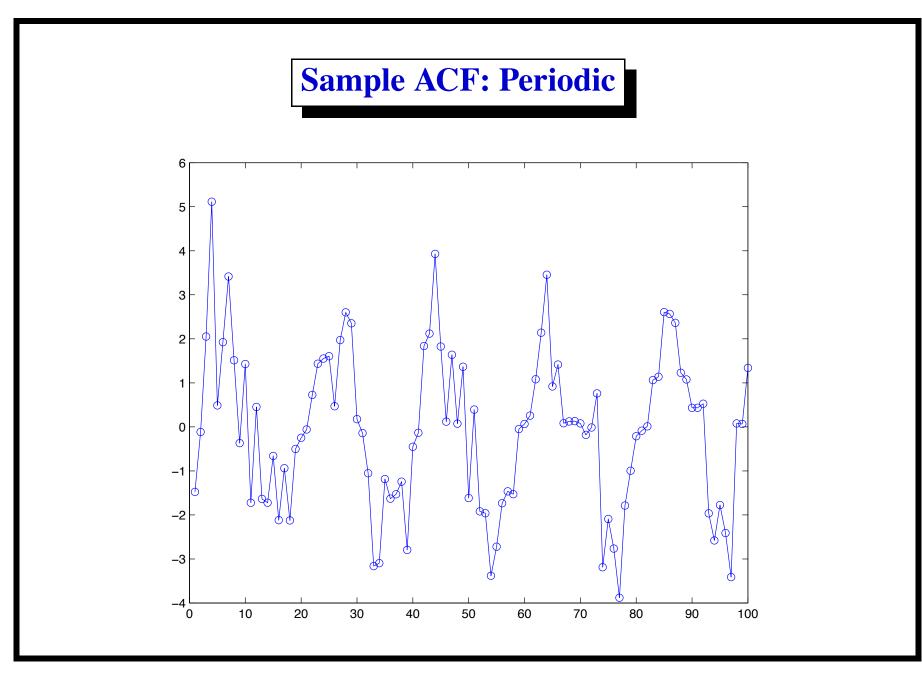
# Sample ACF

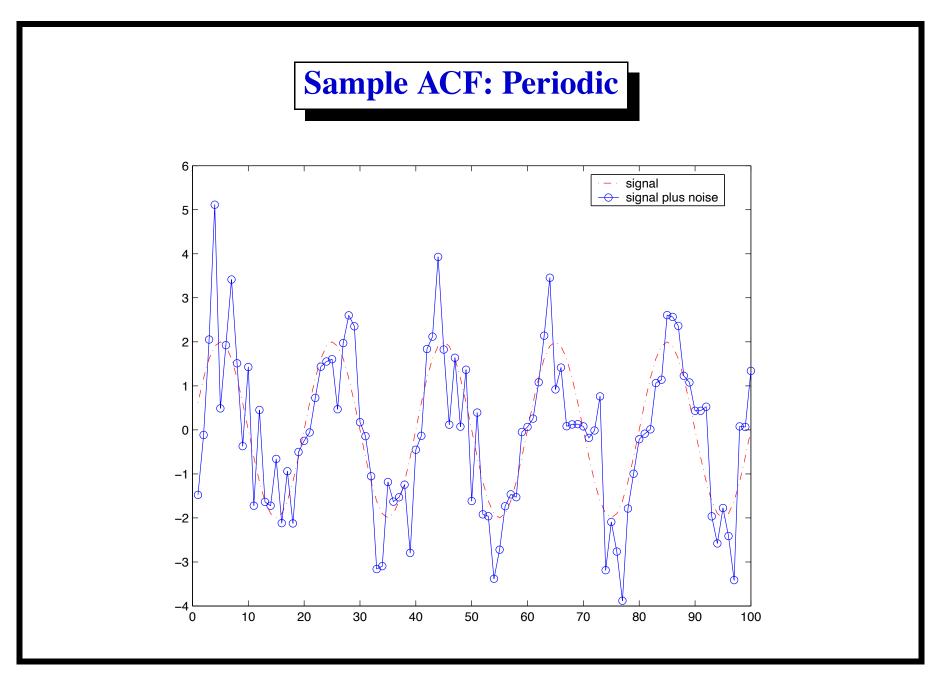
We can recognize the sample autocorrelation functions of many non-white (even non-stationary) time series.

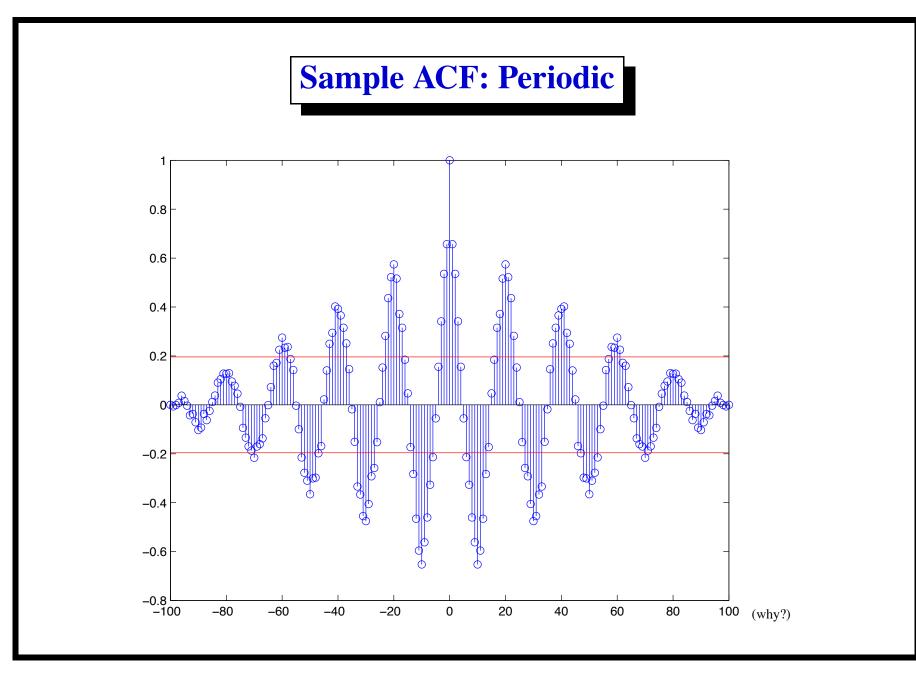
Time series:	Sample ACF:
White	zero
Trend	Slow decay
Periodic	Periodic
MA(q)	Zero for $ h  > q$
AR(p)	Decays to zero exponentially

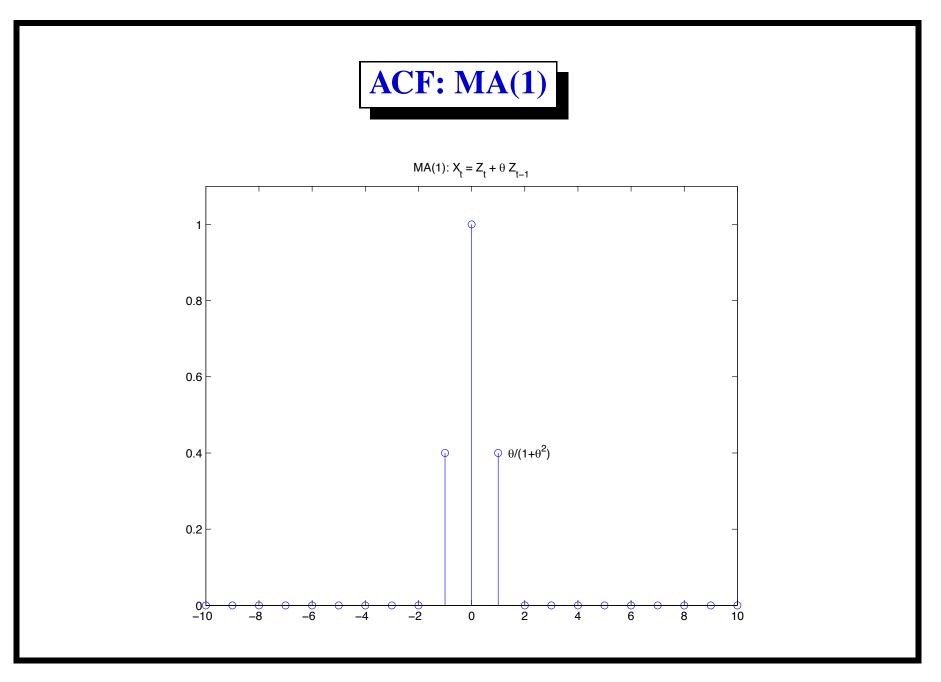


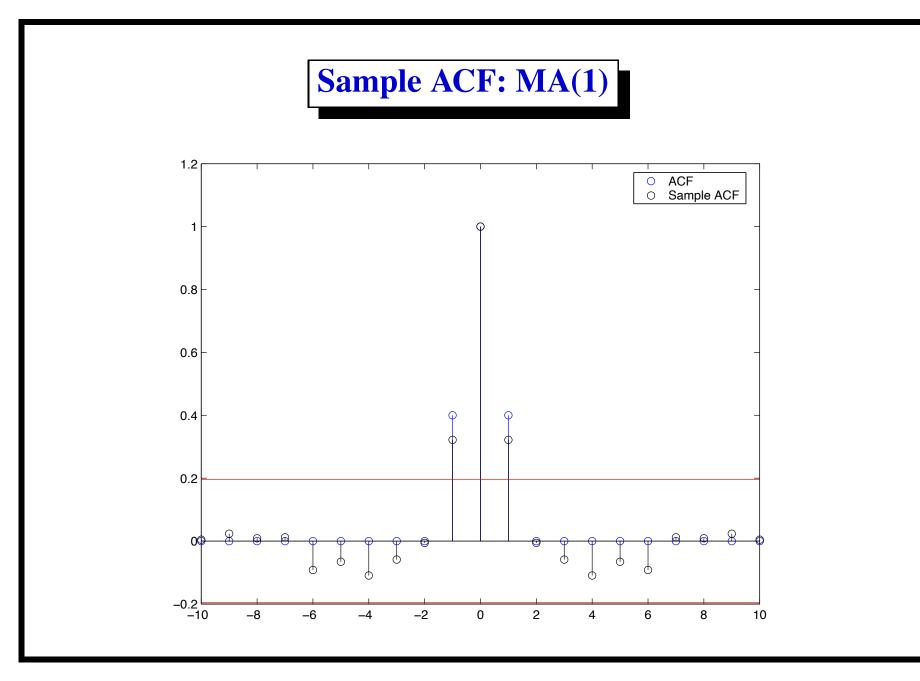


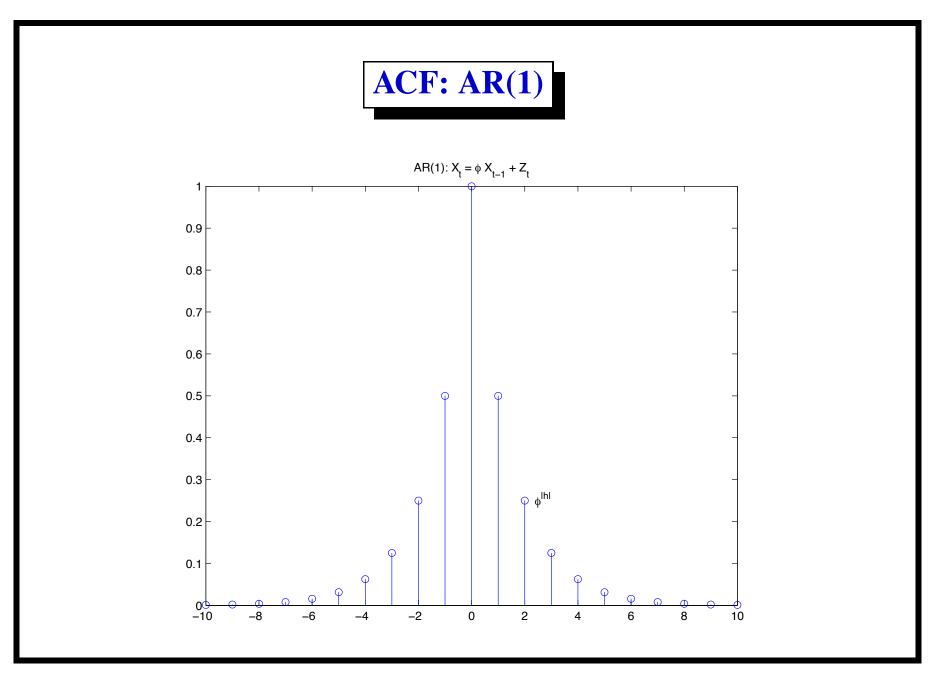


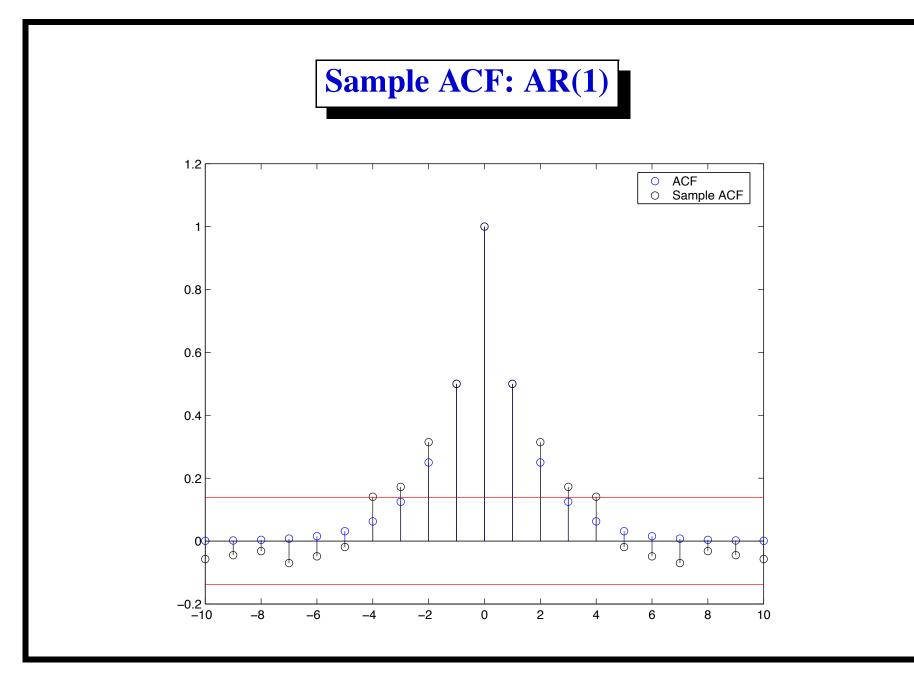


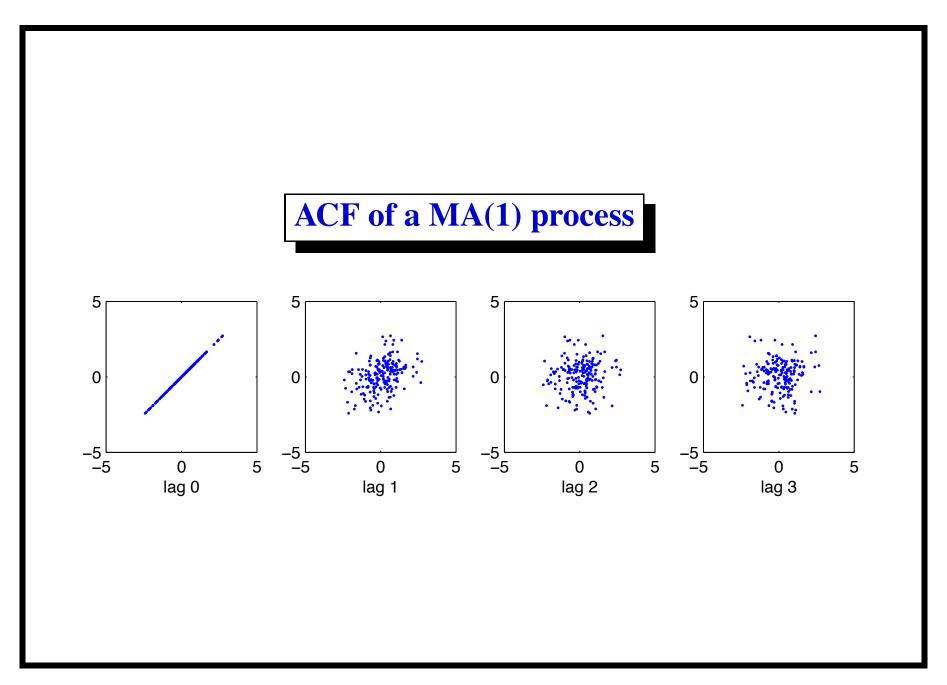












#### **Properties of the autocovariance function**

For the autocovariance function  $\gamma$  of a stationary time series  $\{X_t\}$ ,

- 1.  $\gamma(0) \ge 0$ , (variance is non-negative)
- 2.  $|\gamma(h)| \le \gamma(0)$ , (from Cauchy-Schwarz)
- 3.  $\gamma(h) = \gamma(-h)$ , (from stationarity)
- 4.  $\gamma$  is positive semidefinite.

Furthermore, any function  $\gamma : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies (3) and (4) is the autocovariance of some stationary (Gaussian) time series.

#### **Properties of the autocovariance function**

A function  $f : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$  is *positive semidefinite* if for all n, the matrix  $F_n$ , with entries  $(F_n)_{i,j} = f(i-j)$ , is positive semidefinite.

A matrix  $F_n \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is positive semidefinite if, for all vectors  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

 $a'Fa \ge 0.$ 

To see that  $\gamma$  is psd, consider the variance of  $(X_1, \ldots, X_n)a$ .

#### **Properties of the sample autocovariance function**

The sample autocovariance function:

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-|h|} (x_{t+|h|} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x}), \quad \text{for } -n < h < n.$$

For any sequence  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ , the sample autocovariance function  $\hat{\gamma}$  satisfies

- 1.  $\hat{\gamma}(h) = \hat{\gamma}(-h),$
- 2.  $\hat{\gamma}$  is positive semidefinite, and hence
- 3.  $\hat{\gamma}(0) \ge 0$  and  $|\hat{\gamma}(h)| \le \hat{\gamma}(0)$ .

#### **Properties of the sample autocovariance function: psd**

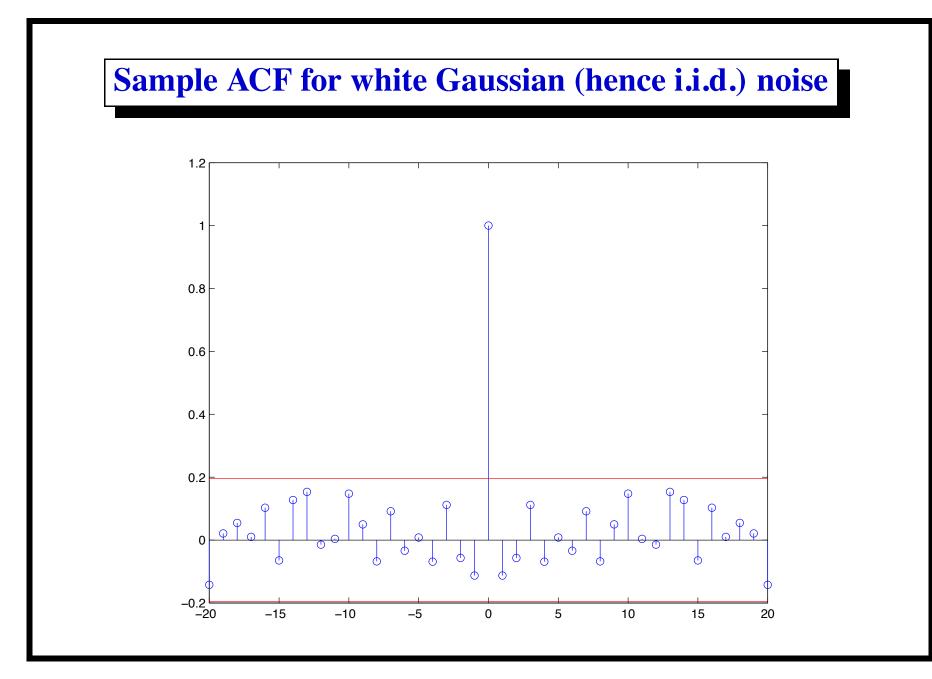
$$\hat{\Gamma}_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\gamma}(0) & \hat{\gamma}(1) & \cdots & \hat{\gamma}(n-1) \\ \hat{\gamma}(1) & \hat{\gamma}(0) & \cdots & \hat{\gamma}(n-2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hat{\gamma}(n-1) & \hat{\gamma}(n-2) & \cdots & \hat{\gamma}(0) \\ = \frac{1}{n} M M', \\ \text{so } a' \hat{\Gamma}_{n} a = \frac{1}{n} (a' M) (M' a) \\ = \frac{1}{n} \|M' a\|^{2} \\ \ge 0. \end{cases}$$

#### Sample ACF and testing for white noise

If  $\{X_t\}$  is white noise, we expect no more than  $\approx 5\%$  of the peaks of the sample ACF to satisfy

$$|\hat{\rho}(h)| > \frac{1.96}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

This is useful because we often want to introduce transformations that reduce a time series to white noise.



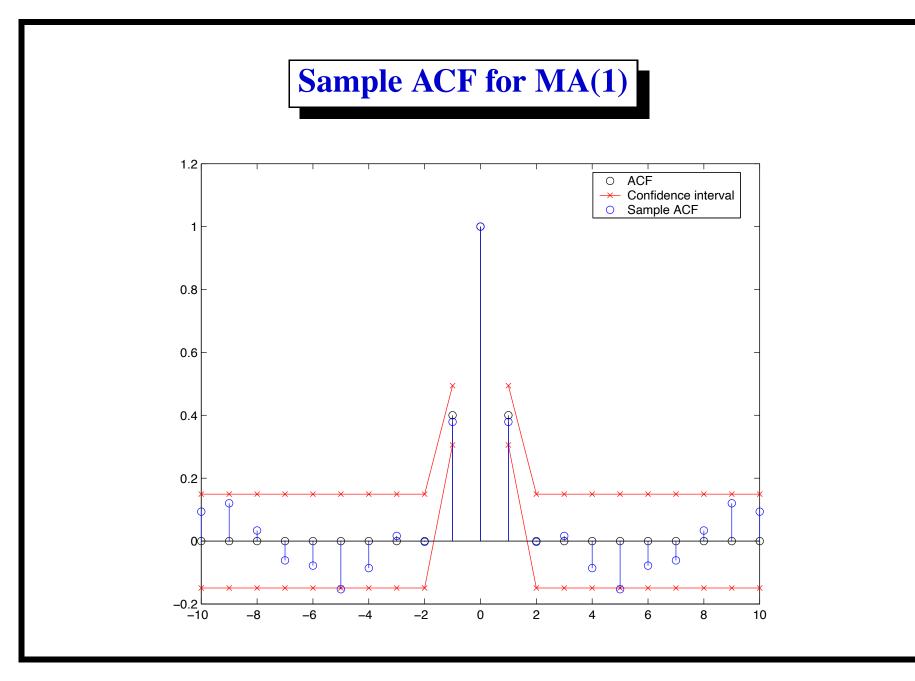
## Sample ACF for MA(1)

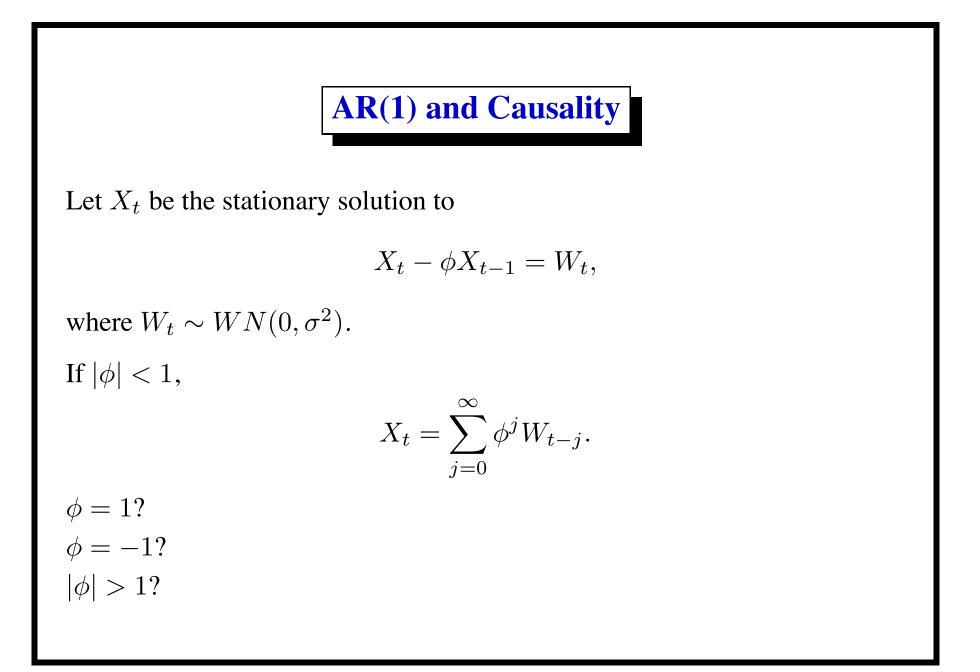
Recall:  $\rho(0) = 1$ ,  $\rho(\pm 1) = \frac{\theta}{1+\theta^2}$ , and  $\rho(h) = 0$  for |h| > 1. Thus,

$$V_{1,1} = \sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \left(\rho(h+1) + \rho(h-1) - 2\rho(1)\rho(h)\right)^2 = \left(\rho(0) - 2\rho(1)^2\right)^2 + \rho(1)^2$$
$$V_{2,2} = \sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \left(\rho(h+2) + \rho(h-2) - 2\rho(2)\rho(h)\right)^2 = \sum_{h=-1}^{1} \rho(h)^2.$$

And if  $\{X_t\}$  is a realization of this MA(1) process, with probability 0.95,

$$|\hat{\rho}(h) - \rho(h)| \le 1.96\sqrt{\frac{V_{hh}}{n}}$$





#### **AR(1) and Causality**

If  $|\phi| > 1$ ,  $\pi(B)W_t$  does not converge. But we can rearrange

$$X_t = \phi X_{t-1} + W_t$$
  
as 
$$X_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\phi} X_t - \frac{1}{\phi} W_t,$$

and we can check that the unique stationary solution is

$$X_t = -\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \phi^{-j} W_{t+j}.$$

But...  $X_t$  depends on **future** values of  $W_t$ .

# Causality

A linear process  $\{X_t\}$  is **causal** (strictly, a **causal function** of  $\{W_t\}$ ) if there is a

$$\psi(B) = \psi_0 + \psi_1 B + \psi_2 B^2 + \cdots$$

with 
$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$$

and  $X_t = \psi(B)W_t$ .

#### **AR(1) and Causality**

- Causality is a property of  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{W_t\}$ .
- The AR(1) process defined by  $\phi(B)X_t = W_t$  (with  $\phi(B) = 1 \phi B$ ) is causal iff  $|\phi| < 1$ , iff the root  $z_1$  of the polynomial  $\phi(z) = 1 \phi z$  satisfies  $|z_1| > 1$ .
- If  $|\phi| > 1$ , we can define an equivalent causal model,
- $X_t \phi^{-1}X_{t-1} = \tilde{W}_t$ , where  $\tilde{W}_t$  is a new white noise sequence.
- Is an MA(1) process causal?

MA(1) and Invertibility

Define

$$X_t = W_t + \theta W_{t-1}$$
$$= (1 + \theta B) W_t.$$

If  $|\theta| < 1$ , we can write

$$(1 + \theta B)^{-1} X_t = W_t$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad (1 - \theta B + \theta^2 B^2 - \theta^3 B^3 + \cdots) X_t = W_t$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-\theta)^j X_{t-j} = W_t.$$

That is, we can write  $W_t$  as a *causal* function of  $X_t$ . We say that this MA(1) is **invertible**. MA(1) and Invertibility

$$X_t = W_t + \theta W_{t-1}$$

If  $|\theta| > 1$ , the sum  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-\theta)^j X_{t-j}$  diverges, but we can write

$$W_{t-1} = -\theta^{-1}W_t + \theta^{-1}X_t.$$

Just like the noncausal AR(1), we can show that

$$W_t = -\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (-\theta)^{-j} X_{t+j}.$$

That is, we can write  $W_t$  as a linear function of  $X_t$ , but it is not causal. We say that this MA(1) is not **invertible**.

# Invertibility

A linear process  $\{X_t\}$  is **invertible** (strictly, an **invertible function of**  $\{W_t\}$ ) if there is a

$$\pi(B) = \pi_0 + \pi_1 B + \pi_2 B^2 + \cdots$$

with 
$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |\pi_j| < \infty$$

and  $W_t = \pi(B)X_t$ .

#### **MA(1) and Invertibility**

• Invertibility is a property of  $\{X_t\}$  and  $\{W_t\}$ .

• The MA(1) process defined by  $X_t = \theta(B)W_t$  (with  $\theta(B) = 1 + \theta B$ ) is invertible iff  $|\theta| < 1$  iff the root  $z_1$  of the polynomial  $\theta(z) = 1 + \theta z$  satisfies  $|z_1| > 1$ .

• If  $|\theta| > 1$ , we can define an equivalent invertible model in terms of a new white noise sequence.

• Is an AR(1) process invertible?

#### **AR(p):** Autoregressive models of order *p*

An **AR**(**p**) **process**  $\{X_t\}$  is a stationary process that satisfies  $X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = W_t$ , where  $\{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ .

Equivalently, 
$$\phi(B)X_t = W_t$$
,  
where  $\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p$ .

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#### **AR(p):** Constraints on $\phi$

Recall: For p = 1 (AR(1)),  $\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B$ . This is an AR(1) model only if there is a *stationary* solution to  $\phi(B)X_t = W_t$ , which is equivalent to  $|\phi_1| \neq 1$ . This is equivalent to the following condition on  $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z$ :

 $\forall z \in \mathbb{R}, \, \phi(z) = 0 \, \Rightarrow \, z \neq \pm 1$ 

equivalently,  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \ \phi(z) = 0 \implies |z| \neq 1$ ,

where  $\mathbb{C}$  is the set of complex numbers.

**AR(p):** Constraints on  $\phi$ 

Stationarity:  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \ \phi(z) = 0 \Rightarrow |z| \neq 1,$ 

where  $\mathbb{C}$  is the set of complex numbers.

 $\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z$  has one root at  $z_1 = 1/\phi_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ . But the roots of a degree p > 1 polynomial might be complex. For stationarity, we want the roots of  $\phi(z)$  to avoid the **unit circle**,  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}.$ 

#### **AR(p): Stationarity and causality**

**Theorem:** A (unique) *stationary* solution to  $\phi(B)X_t = W_t$  exists iff

$$|z| = 1 \Rightarrow \phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0.$$

This AR(p) process is *causal* iff

$$|z| \le 1 \Rightarrow \phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \ne 0.$$

#### **ARMA(p,q):** Autoregressive moving average models

An **ARMA**(**p**,**q**) **process**  $\{X_t\}$  is a stationary process that satisfies

$$X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q W_{t-q}$$

where  $\{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ .

## **ARMA processes**

Can accurately approximate many stationary processes:

For any stationary process with autocovariance  $\gamma$ , and any k > 0, there is an ARMA process  $\{X_t\}$  for which

$$\gamma_X(h) = \gamma(h), \qquad h = 0, 1, \dots, k.$$

#### **ARMA(p,q):** Autoregressive moving average models

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where  $\{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2).$ 

Usually, we insist that  $\phi_p, \theta_q \neq 0$  and that the polynomials

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p, \qquad \theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q$$

have no common factors. This implies it is not a lower order ARMA model.

**ARMA(p,q):** An example of parameter redundancy

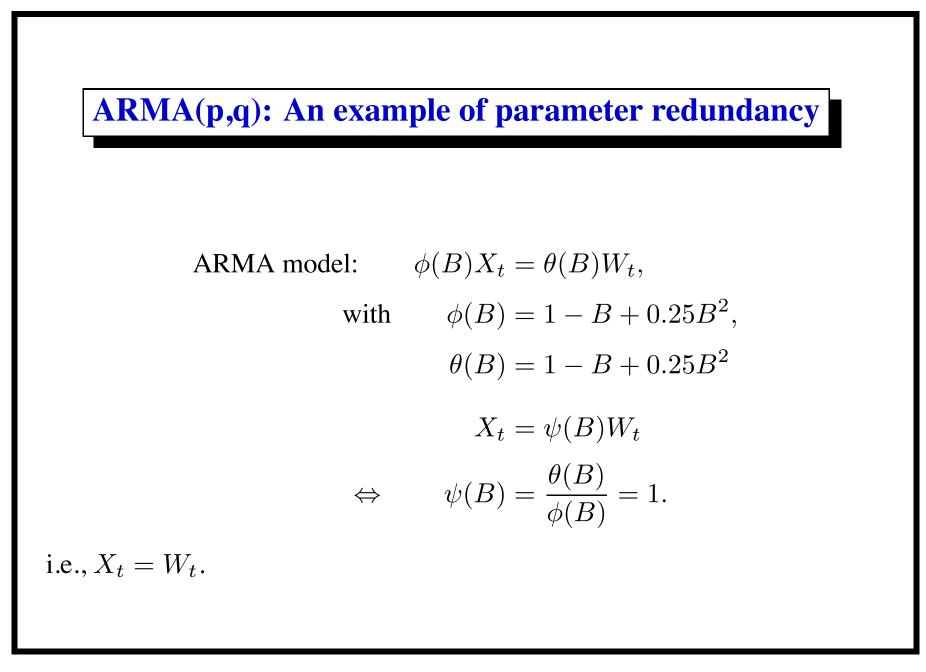
Consider a white noise process  $W_t$ . We can write

 $X_t = W_t$   $\Rightarrow \qquad X_t - X_{t-1} + 0.25X_{t-2} = W_t - W_{t-1} + 0.25W_{t-2}$   $(1 - B + 0.25B^2)X_t = (1 - B + 0.25B^2)W_t$ 

This is in the form of an ARMA(2,2) process, with

 $\phi(B) = 1 - B + 0.25B^2, \qquad \theta(B) = 1 - B + 0.25B^2.$ 

But it is white noise.



#### **ARMA(p,q):** Stationarity, causality, and invertibility

**Theorem:** If  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  have no common factors, a (unique) *stationary* solution to  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$ exists iff

$$|z| = 1 \Rightarrow \phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \neq 0.$$

This ARMA(p,q) process is causal iff

$$|z| \le 1 \Rightarrow \phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p \ne 0.$$

It is *invertible* iff

$$|z| \le 1 \Rightarrow \theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q \ne 0.$$

#### **ARMA(p,q):** Stationarity, causality, and invertibility

Example:  $(1 - 1.5B)X_t = (1 + 0.2B)W_t$ .

$$\phi(z) = 1 - 1.5z = -\frac{3}{2}\left(z - \frac{2}{3}\right),$$
  
$$\theta(z) = 1 + 0.2z = \frac{1}{5}\left(z + 5\right).$$

**1.**  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  have no common factors, and  $\phi$ 's root is at 2/3, which is not on the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is an ARMA(1,1) process.

**2.**  $\phi$ 's root (at 2/3) is inside the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is *not causal*.

**3.**  $\theta$ 's root is at -5, which is outside the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is *invertible*.

#### **ARMA(p,q):** Stationarity, causality, and invertibility

Example:  $(1+0.25B^2)X_t = (1+2B)W_t.$ 

$$\phi(z) = 1 + 0.25z^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left( z^2 + 4 \right) = \frac{1}{4} (z + 2i)(z - 2i),$$
  
$$\theta(z) = 1 + 2z = 2 \left( z + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

1.  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  have no common factors, and  $\phi$ 's roots are at  $\pm 2i$ , which is not on the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is an ARMA(2,1) process.

**2.**  $\phi$ 's roots (at  $\pm 2i$ ) are outside the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is *causal*.

**3.**  $\theta$ 's root (at -1/2) is inside the unit circle, so  $\{X_t\}$  is not invertible.

#### **Causality and Invertibility**

**Theorem:** Let  $\{X_t\}$  be an ARMA process defined by  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$ . If  $\theta(z) \neq 0$  for all |z| = 1, then there are polynomials  $\tilde{\phi}$  and  $\tilde{\theta}$  and a white noise sequence  $\tilde{W}_t$  such that  $\{X_t\}$  satisfies  $\tilde{\phi}(B)X_t = \tilde{\theta}(B)\tilde{W}_t$ , and this is a causal, invertible ARMA process.

So we'll stick to causal, invertible ARMA processes.

# **Calculating** $\psi$ for an ARMA(p,q): matching coefficients

Example: 
$$X_t = \psi(B)W_t$$
  $\Leftrightarrow$   $(1+0.25B^2)X_t = (1+0.2B)W_t$   
so  $1+0.2B = (1+0.25B^2)\psi(B)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$   $1+0.2B = (1+0.25B^2)(\psi_0 + \psi_1 B + \psi_2 B^2 + \cdots)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$   $1 = \psi_0,$   
 $0.2 = \psi_1,$   
 $0 = \psi_2 + 0.25\psi_0,$   
 $0 = \psi_3 + 0.25\psi_1,$   
 $\vdots$ 

## **Calculating** $\psi$ **for an ARMA(p,q): example**

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad 1 = \psi_0, \qquad 0.2 = \psi_1,$$
$$0 = \psi_j + 0.25\psi_{j-2}.$$

We can think of this as  $\theta_j = \phi(B)\psi_j$ , with  $\theta_0 = 1$ ,  $\theta_j = 0$  for j < 0, j > q.

This is a *first order difference equation* in the  $\psi_j$ s.

We can use the  $\theta_j$ s to give the initial conditions and solve it using the theory of homogeneous difference equations.

$$\psi_j = \left(1, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{20}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{80}, -\frac{1}{64}, -\frac{1}{320}, \ldots\right).$$

## **Calculating** $\psi$ **for an ARMA(p,q): general case**

$$\begin{split} \phi(B)X_t &= \theta(B)W_t, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad X_t = \psi(B)W_t \\ \text{so} \quad \theta(B) &= \psi(B)\phi(B) \\ \Leftrightarrow \quad 1 + \theta_1B + \dots + \theta_qB^q = (\psi_0 + \psi_1B + \dots)(1 - \phi_1B - \dots - \phi_pB^p) \\ \Leftrightarrow \quad 1 &= \psi_0, \\ \theta_1 &= \psi_1 - \phi_1\psi_0, \\ \theta_2 &= \psi_2 - \phi_1\psi_1 - \dots - \phi_2\psi_0, \\ &\vdots \\ \end{split}$$
  
This is equivalent to  $\theta_j = \phi(B)\psi_j$ , with  $\theta_0 = 1, \theta_j = 0$  for  $j < 0, j > q$ .

### **Review:** Autoregressive moving average models

An **ARMA(p,q) process**  $\{X_t\}$  is a stationary process that satisfies

$$X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} = W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q W_{t-q},$$
  
where  $\{W_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2).$ 

Usually, we insist that  $\phi_p, \theta_q \neq 0$  and that the polynomials

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p, \qquad \theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q$$

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## **Review: Properties of ARMA(p,q) models**

**Theorem:** If  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  have no common factors, a (unique) *stationary* solution to  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$ exists iff

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p = 0 \implies |z| \neq 1.$$

This ARMA(p,q) process is *causal* iff

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p = 0 \implies |z| > 1.$$

It is *invertible* iff

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z^q = 0. \Rightarrow |z| > 1.$$

## **Review: Properties of ARMA(p,q) models**

$$\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad X_t = \psi(B)W_t$$
  
so  $\theta(B) = \psi(B)\phi(B)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \quad 1 + \theta_1 B + \dots + \theta_q B^q = (\psi_0 + \psi_1 B + \dots)(1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \quad 1 = \psi_0,$   
 $\theta_1 = \psi_1 - \phi_1 \psi_0,$   
 $\theta_2 = \psi_2 - \phi_1 \psi_1 - \dots - \phi_2 \psi_0,$   
 $\vdots$ 

This is equivalent to  $\theta_j = \phi(B)\psi_j$ , with  $\theta_0 = 1$ ,  $\theta_j = 0$  for j < 0, j > q.

#### **Autocovariance functions of linear processes**

Consider a linear process  $\{X_t\}$  defined by  $X_t = \psi(B)W_t$ .

$$\begin{split} \gamma(h) &= \mathbf{E} \left( X_t X_{t+h} \right) \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left( \psi_0 W_t + \psi_1 W_{t-1} + \psi_2 W_{t-2} + \cdots \right) \\ &\times \left( \psi_0 W_{t+h} + \psi_1 W_{t+h-1} + \psi_2 W_{t+h-2} + \cdots \right) \\ &= \sigma_w^2 \left( \psi_0 \psi_h + \psi_1 \psi_{h+1} + \psi_2 \psi_{h+2} + \cdots \right). \end{split}$$

## **Autocovariance functions of MA processes**

Consider an MA(q) process  $\{X_t\}$  defined by  $X_t = \theta(B)W_t$ .

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_j \theta_{j+h} & \text{if } h \le q, \\ 0 & \text{if } h > q. \end{cases}$$

ARMA process:  $\phi(B)X_t = \theta(B)W_t$ .

To compute  $\gamma$ , we can compute  $\psi$ , and then use

 $\gamma(h) = \sigma_w^2 \left( \psi_0 \psi_h + \psi_1 \psi_{h+1} + \psi_2 \psi_{h+2} + \cdots \right).$ 

An alternative approach:

$$\begin{split} X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p} \\ &= W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q W_{t-q}, \\ \text{so } \mathbf{E} \left( (X_t - \phi_1 X_{t-1} - \dots - \phi_p X_{t-p}) X_{t-h} \right) \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left( (W_t + \theta_1 W_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q W_{t-q}) X_{t-h} \right), \\ \text{that is, } \gamma(h) - \phi_1 \gamma(h-1) - \dots - \phi_p \gamma(h-p) \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left( \theta_h W_{t-h} X_{t-h} + \dots + \theta_q W_{t-q} X_{t-h} \right) \\ &= \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_{h+j} \psi_j. \quad \text{(Write } \theta_0 = 1\text{).} \end{split}$$

This is a linear difference equation.

$$(1+0.25B^2)X_t = (1+0.2B)W_t, \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad X_t = \psi(B)W_t,$$
  
$$\psi_j = \left(1, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{20}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{80}, -\frac{1}{64}, -\frac{1}{320}, \ldots\right).$$
  
$$\gamma(h) - \phi_1\gamma(h-1) - \phi_2\gamma(h-2) = \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_{h+j}\psi_j$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow \gamma(h) + 0.25\gamma(h-2) = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 (\psi_0 + 0.2\psi_1) & \text{if } h = 0, \\ 0.2\sigma_w^2\psi_0 & \text{if } h = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We have the homogeneous linear difference equation

$$\gamma(h) + 0.25\gamma(h-2) = 0$$

for  $h \geq 2$ , with initial conditions

$$\gamma(0) + 0.25\gamma(-2) = \sigma_w^2 (1 + 1/25)$$
  
$$\gamma(1) + 0.25\gamma(-1) = \sigma_w^2/5.$$

We can solve these linear equations to determine  $\gamma$ . Or we can use the theory of linear difference equations...

# **Difference equations**

**Examples:** 

$$x_t - 3x_{t-1} = 0 \qquad \text{(first order, linear)}$$

$$x_t - x_{t-1}x_{t-2} = 0 \qquad \text{(3rd order, nonlinear)}$$

$$x_t + 2x_{t-1} - x_{t-3}^2 = 0 \qquad \text{(3rd order, nonlinear)}$$

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$$a_0 x_t + a_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + a_k x_{t-k} = 0$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad (a_0 + a_1 B + \dots + a_k B^k) x_t = 0$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad a(B) x_t = 0$$
  
auxiliary equation:  

$$a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_k z^k = 0$$
  

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad (z - z_1)(z - z_2) \dots (z - z_k) = 0$$

where  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k \in \mathbb{C}$  are the roots of this *characteristic polynomial*. Thus,

$$a(B)x_t = 0 \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad (B - z_1)(B - z_2) \cdots (B - z_k)x_t = 0.$$

$$a(B)x_t = 0 \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad (B - z_1)(B - z_2)\cdots(B - z_k)x_t = 0.$$

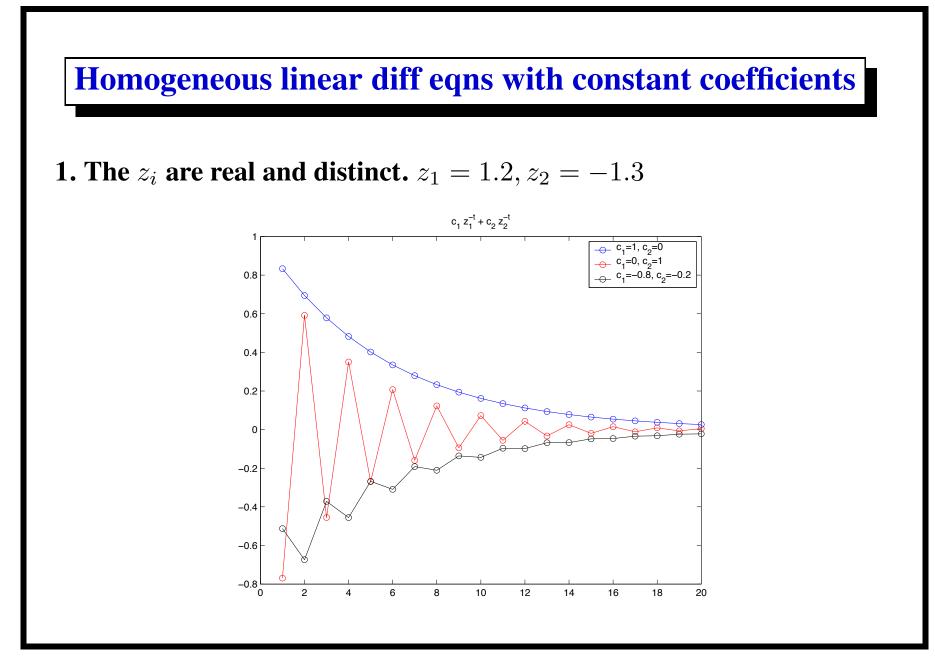
So any  $\{x_t\}$  satisfying  $(B - z_i)x_t = 0$  for some *i* also satisfies  $a(B)x_t = 0$ . Three cases:

- 1. The  $z_i$  are real and distinct.
- 2. The  $z_i$  are complex and distinct.
- 3. Some  $z_i$  are repeated.

**1.** The  $z_i$  are real and distinct.

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \qquad (B-z_1)(B-z_2)\cdots(B-z_k)x_t = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \qquad (B-z_1)x_t = 0 \text{ or } (B-z_2)x_t = 0 \text{ or } \cdots \text{ or } (B-z_k)x_t = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \qquad x_t = z_1^{-1}x_{t-1} \text{ or } x_t = z_2^{-1}x_{t-1} \text{ or } \cdots \text{ or } x_t = z_k^{-1}x_{t-1} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \qquad x_t = c_1z_1^{-t} + c_2z_2^{-t} + \cdots + c_kz_k^{-t}, \end{aligned}$$

for some constants  $c_1, \ldots, c_k$ .



#### **2.** The $z_i$ are complex and distinct.

As before,  

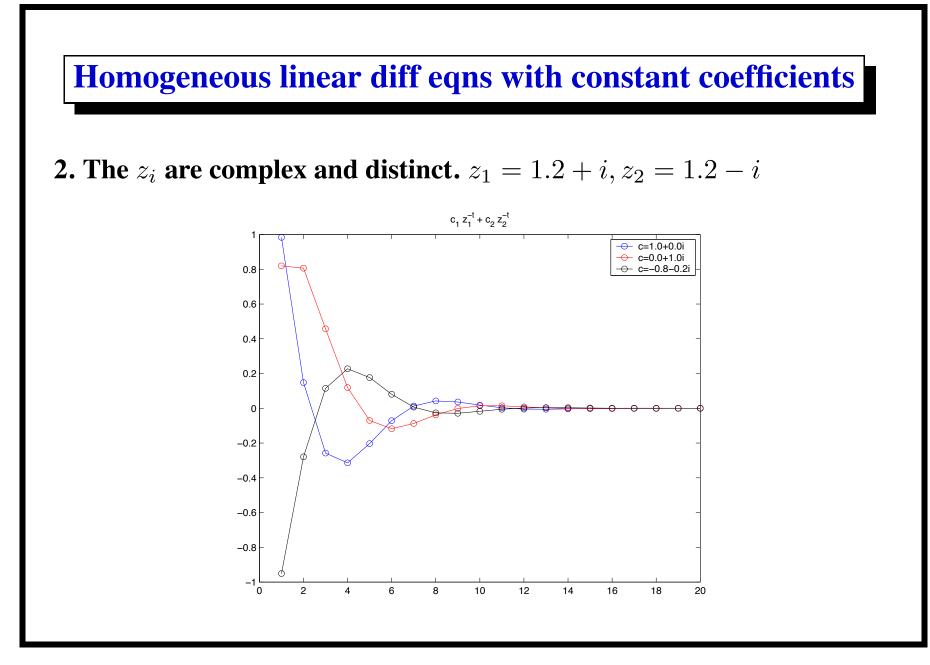
$$a(B)x_t = 0$$

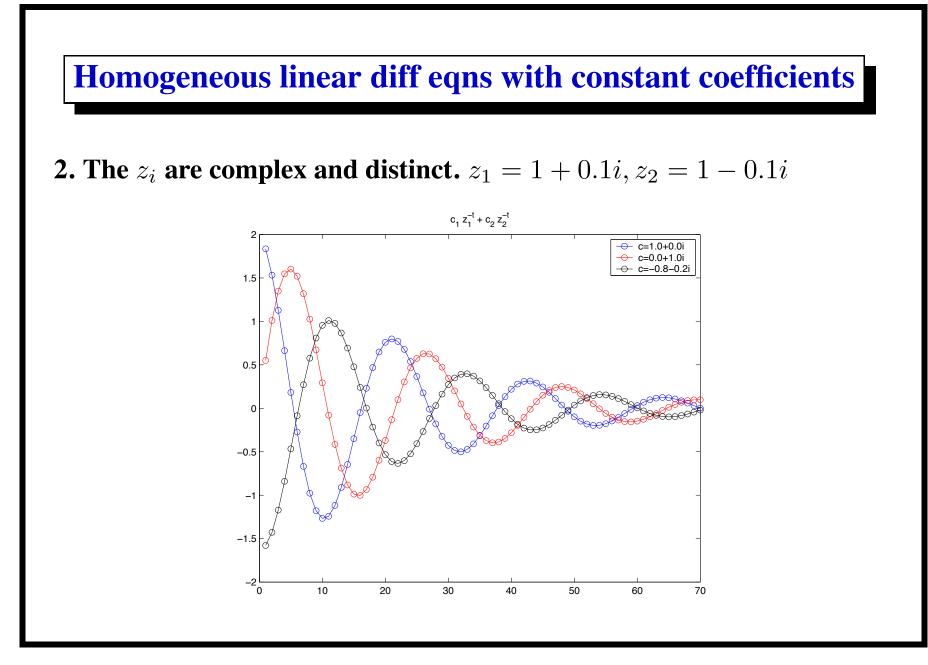
$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad x_t = c_1 z_1^{-t} + c_2 z_2^{-t} + \dots + c_k z_k^{-t}.$$

If  $z_1 \notin \mathbb{R}$ , since  $a_1, \ldots, a_k$  are real, we must have the complex conjugate root,  $z_j = \overline{z_1}$ . And for  $x_t$  to be real, we must have  $c_j = \overline{c_1}$ . For example:

$$x_t = c z_1^{-t} + \bar{c} \bar{z_1}^{-t}$$
$$= r e^{i\theta} |z_1|^{-t} e^{-i\omega t} + r e^{-i\theta} |z_1|^{-t} e^{i\omega t}$$
$$= r |z_1|^{-t} \left( e^{i(\theta - \omega t)} + e^{-i(\theta - \omega t)} \right)$$
$$= 2r |z_1|^{-t} \cos(\omega t - \theta)$$

where  $z_1 = |z_1|e^{i\omega}$  and  $c = re^{i\theta}$ .





**3.** Some  $z_i$  are repeated.

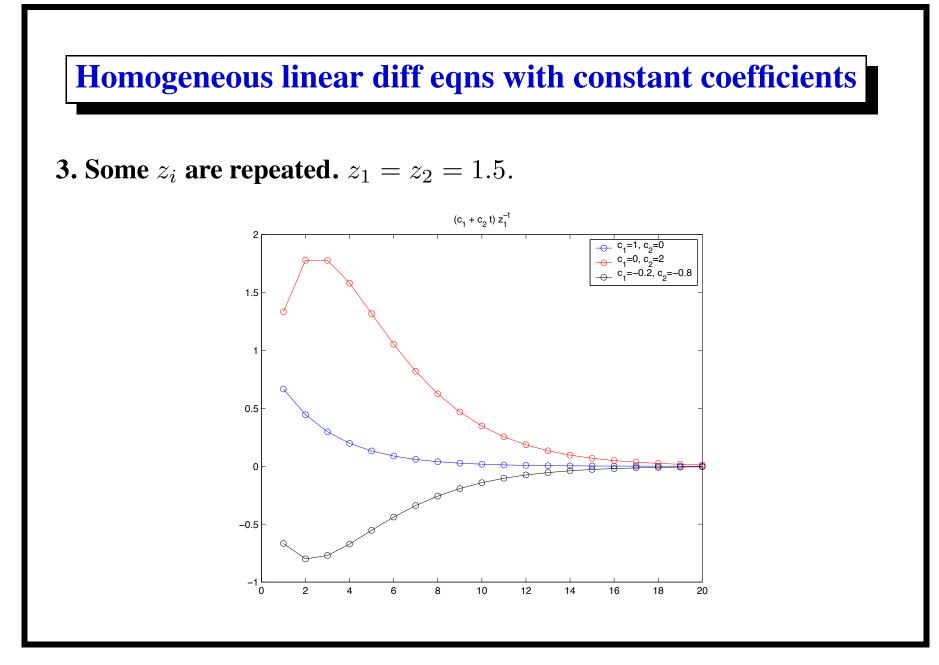
$$a(B)x_t = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad (B - z_1)(B - z_2) \cdots (B - z_k)x_t = 0.$$
If  $z_1 = z_2$ ,  $(B - z_1)(B - z_2)x_t = 0$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow \qquad (B - z_1)^2 x_t = 0.$$

We can check that  $(c_1 + c_2 t)z_1^{-t}$  is a solution...

More generally,  $(B - z_1)^m x_t = 0$  has the solution  $(c_1 + c_2 t + \dots + c_{m-1} t^{m-1}) z_1^{-t}$ .



#### Solving linear diff eqns with constant coefficients

$$a_0 x_t + a_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + a_k x_{t-k} = 0,$$

with initial conditions  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$ .

Auxiliary equation in  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ :  $a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_k z^k = 0$  $\Leftrightarrow \quad (z - z_1)^{m_1} (z - z_2)^{m_2} \cdots (z - z_l)^{m_l} = 0,$ 

where  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_l \in \mathbb{C}$  are the roots of the characteristic polynomial, and  $z_i$  occurs with multiplicity  $m_i$ . Solutions:  $c_1(t)z_1^{-t} + c_2(t)z_2^{-t} + \cdots + c_l(t)z_l^{-t}$ , where  $c_i(t)$  is a polynomial in t of degree  $m_i - 1$ . We determine the coefficients of the  $c_i(t)$  using the initial conditions (which might be linear constraints on the initial values  $x_1, \ldots, x_k$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} (1+0.25B^2)X_t &= (1+0.2B)W_t, &\Leftrightarrow X_t = \psi(B)W_t, \\ \psi_j &= \left(1, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{20}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{80}, -\frac{1}{64}, -\frac{1}{320}, \ldots\right). \\ \gamma(h) &- \phi_1 \gamma(h-1) - \phi_2 \gamma(h-2) = \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_{h+j} \psi_j \\ \Leftrightarrow \gamma(h) + 0.25\gamma(h-2) &= \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 \left(\psi_0 + 0.2\psi_1\right) & \text{if } h = 0, \\ 0.2\sigma_w^2 \psi_0 & \text{if } h = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We have the homogeneous linear difference equation

$$\gamma(h) + 0.25\gamma(h-2) = 0$$

for  $h \geq 2$ , with initial conditions

$$\gamma(0) + 0.25\gamma(-2) = \sigma_w^2 (1 + 1/25)$$
  
$$\gamma(1) + 0.25\gamma(-1) = \sigma_w^2/5.$$

Homogeneous lin. diff. eqn:

$$\gamma(h) + 0.25\gamma(h-2) = 0.$$

The characteristic polynomial is

$$1 + 0.25z^{2} = \frac{1}{4} \left( 4 + z^{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} (z - 2i)(z + 2i),$$

which has roots at  $z_1 = 2e^{i\pi/2}$ ,  $\bar{z_1} = 2e^{-i\pi/2}$ . The solution is of the form

$$\gamma(h) = cz_1^{-h} + \bar{c}\bar{z_1}^{-h}.$$

$$z_1 = 2e^{i\pi/2}, \bar{z_1} = 2e^{-i\pi/2}, c = |c|e^{i\theta}.$$

We have 
$$\gamma(h) = cz_1^{-h} + \bar{c}\bar{z}_1^{-h}$$
$$= 2^{-h} \left( |c|e^{i(\theta - h\pi/2)} + |c|e^{i(-\theta + h\pi/2)} \right)$$
$$= c_1 2^{-h} \cos\left(\frac{h\pi}{2} - \theta\right).$$

And we determine  $c_1, \theta$  from the initial conditions

$$\gamma(0) + 0.25\gamma(-2) = \sigma_w^2 (1 + 1/25)$$
  
$$\gamma(1) + 0.25\gamma(-1) = \sigma_w^2/5.$$

