

TIME SERIES

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TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

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aim: - introduce rigorously concepts &
some results of classical & contemporary
time series analysis

- give basic R-skills in practical t.s.a
student assesment: (exams, take home exercises, ...)

COURSE OUTLINE


- Ch 1 INTRODUCTION : BASIC PRINCIPLES , NOTIONS & MODELS
- Ch 2 LINEAR & NONLINEAR PREDICTION : HILBERT SPACES & CONDITIONAL EXPECTATION
- Ch 3 ESTIMATION OF PARAMETERS : LIMIT THEOREMS
- Ch 4 ARMA MODELS
- Ch 5 GARCH & RELATED MODELS . HEAVY TAILS
- Ch 6 SELECTED TOPICS : SPECTRAL THEORY . UNIT ROOTS . COINTEGRATION .

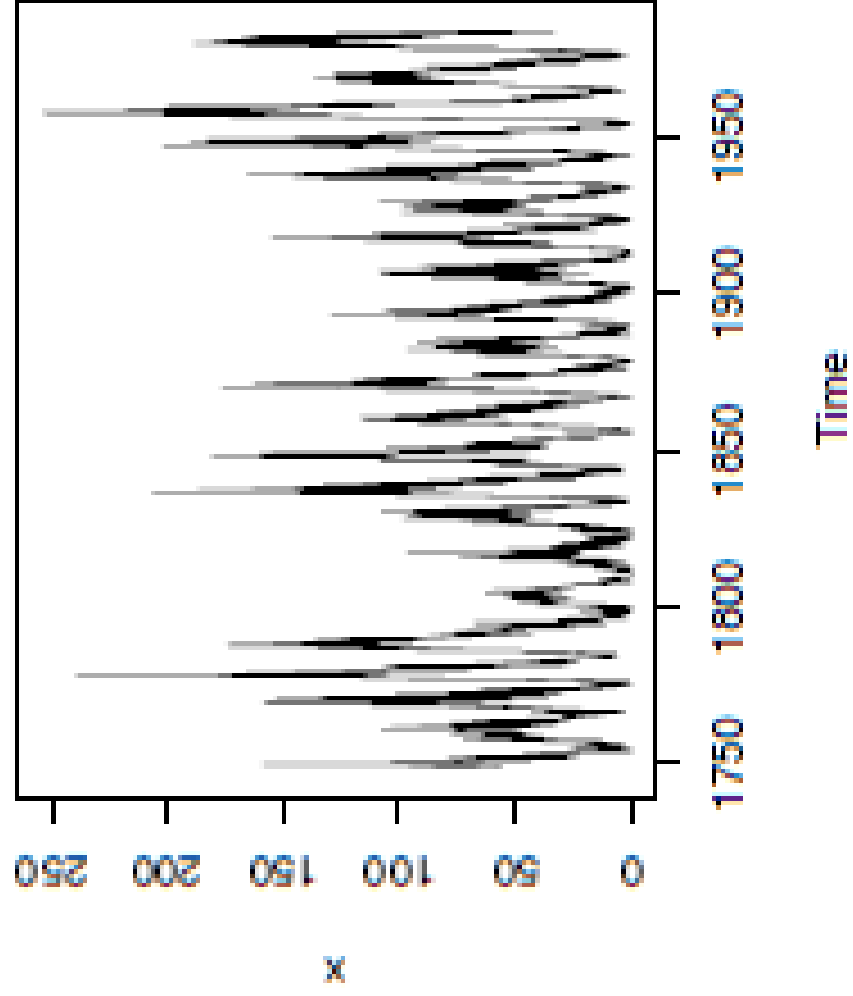
TIME SERIES - sequence of observations indexed over time

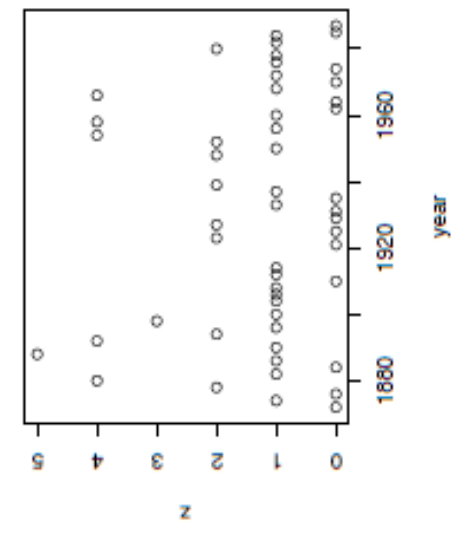
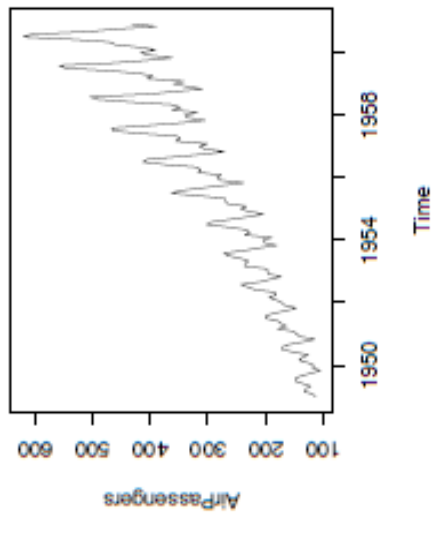
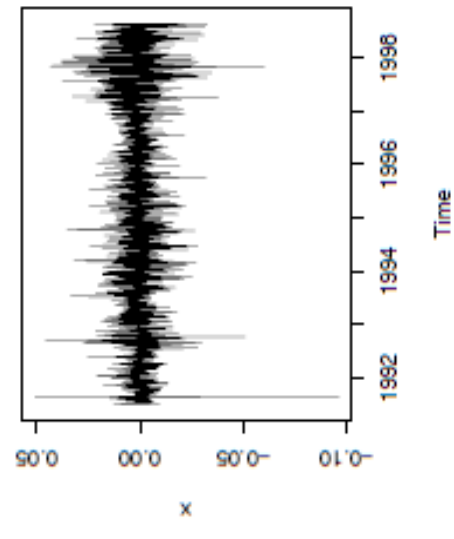
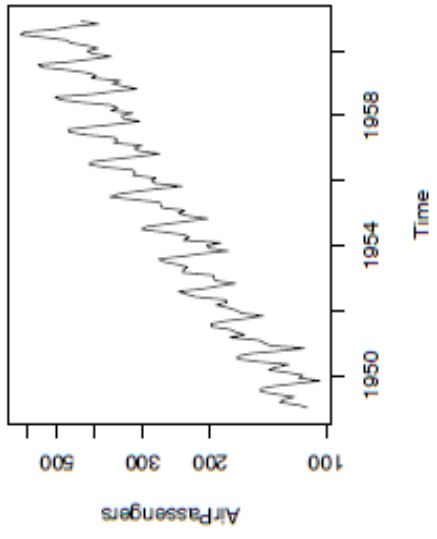
$(X_t)_{t \in I}$, where $I \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ typically
(I can be interval \rightarrow continuous T.S.)

TIME SERIES (MODEL) - a stochastic process indexed over time

$(X_t)_{t \in I}$, $X_t: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ random variables

SLIGHTLY CONFUSING !?! 





MORE PRECISE:

$(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ = stochastic process in discrete time / $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ = its realization or path

DISTRIBUTION of stochastic process $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is determined by all finite dimensional distributions of (X_t) , i.e. distributions of all random vectors

$$(X_{t_1}, X_{t_2}, \dots, X_{t_k}) \quad , \quad t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

EXAMPLE 1


a) X_i iid. with distribution function F

$(X_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} F$, then $(X_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is time series model.

b) X_i as above, $S_0 = 0$, $S_n = S_{n-1} + X_n$ $n \geq 0$

then random walk $(S_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ represents

time series again

DEF Time series $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is (weakly) 

stationary if

$$i) \quad E|X_t|^2 < \infty \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$ii) \quad EX_t = m \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$iii) \quad \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) = \text{Cov}(X_{s+r}, X_{t+r}) \quad \forall s, t \in \mathbb{Z}, r \in \mathbb{N}$$

▷ stationary sequences have finite 2nd moment, constant expectation, & linear dependence between X_s & X_t depends on $t-s$ only.

DEF Suppose stoch. process $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ satisfies $\text{Var } X_t < \infty \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$, then

autocovariance function $f_x: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of the process (X_t) is defined by

$$f_x(s, t) = \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) = E[(X_s - EX_s)(X_t - EX_t)]$$

$$s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$$

> For weakly stationary processes f_x is essentially function of one variable only, since

$$f_x(s, t) = f_x(s-t, 0) = f_x(s+r, t+r) \quad \forall s, t, r$$

We define then

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

* call this function $\gamma_X: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
autocovariance function of weakly
 stationary sequence $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$.

Autocorrelation function is defined analogously:

for weakly stationary sequence (X_t)

with $\text{Var } X_t = \gamma_X(0) > 0$ autocorr. function

$\rho_X: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ is defined by

$$\rho_X(h) = \frac{\gamma_X(h)}{\gamma_X(0)} = \text{Corr}(X_{t+h}, X_t) \quad t, h \in \mathbb{Z}$$



DEF Time series $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is strongly (strictly)

stationary if the joint distribution

of random vectors $(X_{t_1+h}, \dots, X_{t_k+h})$

do not depend on $h \in \mathbb{N}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

DEF Class of distribution functions $\{F_{\#}\}_{\# \in J}$

where $J = \{(t_1, \dots, t_k) : t_1 < \dots < t_k, t_i \in \mathbb{R}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$$F_{\#} = F_{t_1, \dots, t_k}(x_1, \dots, x_k) = P(X_{t_1} < x_1, \dots, X_{t_k} < x_k) \\ (x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

determines all finite-dimensional distributions of a given stochastic process (X_t) .

THEOREM 1 (Kolmogorov)

Class of distribution functions $\{F_t\}_{t \in \mathcal{I}}$

is a class of fidi's for some stochastic process $\Leftrightarrow \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \forall t = (t_1, \dots, t_k) \in \mathcal{I}$

$$\lim_{x_i \rightarrow \infty} F_t(x) = F_{t^{(i)}}(x^{(i)}) \quad \forall x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{k-1}$$

where $x_i = i$ 'th coordinate of the vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ on the l.h.s.

$t^{(i)}, x^{(i)} =$ vectors x, t with i 'th coordinate omitted.

> These are so called consistency conditions, for proof see Billingsley or ...

Sometimes function f_{X_t} & value m_{1h} the definition of stationary process (X_t) determine its fidi's.

DEF Random vector $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$ has multivariate normal distribution if there is $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ & matrix $B \in M_{n \times n}$ & random vector $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ s.t. $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ & $Y = a + BX$

In that case

$$E\mathbf{y} = (E y_1, \dots, E y_n) = \alpha$$

& covariance matrix for \mathbf{y} equals

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T$$

we say \mathbf{y} has multivariate normal (Gaussian) distribution with parameters α & $\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}$

If $\det \Sigma_{\mathbf{y}} > 0$, \mathbf{y} has density function

$$f_{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{y}) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det \Sigma}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle (\mathbf{y}-\alpha), \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{y}-\alpha) \rangle}$$

DEF Stochastic process is called gaussian if its fidi's are all multivariate normal.

EXE. 1) For gaussian time series (X_t) with known constant expectation m ; function f_x determines its fidi's.

EXE. 2) If (X_t) is gaussian & weakly stationary, it is strongly stationary as well.

EXE. 3) If (X_t) is strongly stationary & $\text{Var } X_0 < \infty$, then (X_t) is weakly stationary

gaussianity
+
weak stationarity \Rightarrow
strong stationarity

strong stationarity \Rightarrow
+
finite 2nd moment
weak stationarity

EXAMPLE 2 (WHITE NOISE)

A weakly stationary process $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is called white noise if $E X_t = 0$ $\forall t$ &

$$\gamma_X(h) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 = \text{Var } X_0, & h = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We write $X_t \sim \text{i.i.d } N(0, \sigma^2)$.

• If $X_t \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} F$, & $E X_0 = 0$, $\text{Var } X_0 = \sigma^2 < \infty$ then $X_t \sim \text{i.i.d } N(0, \sigma^2)$ too;

We also write $X_t \sim \text{i.i.d}(0, \sigma^2)$

EXE 4) Find an example of white noise sequence which is not iid.

EXAMPLE 3 (RANDOM WALK)

$(X_t) \sim \text{iid}(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then random walk

$$S_0 = 0, \quad S_t = X_1 + \dots + X_t \quad t \in \mathbb{N}$$

is a stoch. process which is not stationary unless $\sigma^2 = 0$.

Really $\gamma_s(0,0) = 0$, $\gamma_s(h,h) = \text{Var } S_h$
 $= h \cdot \text{Var } X_1 \rightarrow +\infty$
 for $h \rightarrow \infty$

REMARK

Definitions of weak/strong stationarity and functions f_x, g_x are straightforward to extend to time series indexed over

\mathbb{N} or \mathbb{N}_0 .

Even continuous time processes

$(X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ are sometimes considered.

EXAMPLE 3 (PERIODIC PROCESSES)

Suppose A & Θ are independent random variables, & $\Theta \sim U[0, 2\pi]$

$$X_t = A \cos(\nu t + \Theta), \quad t \geq 0$$

where $\nu > 0$ is a real parameter.

Clearly, (X_t) has period $\frac{2\pi}{\nu}$,

its amplitude & phase are random

Note $X_t = A(\cos \nu t \cdot \cos \Theta - \sin \nu t \cdot \sin \Theta)$

$$= A_1 \cos \nu t + A_2 \sin \nu t \quad (*)$$

If $EA^2 < \infty \Rightarrow EA_1 = EA_2 = 0$, e.g.

$$EA_1 = EA \cdot E \cos \oplus = EA \int_0^{2\pi} \cos t \, dt = EA \sin t \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(A_1, A_2) &= EA_1 A_2 = -EA^2 \cdot E \cos \oplus \sin \oplus \\ &= -EA^2 E \frac{\sin \oplus \cdot 2}{2} = -\frac{EA^2}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin 2t \, dt \\ &= \frac{EA^2}{2} \cos 2t \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

But, if A_1, A_2 are uncorrelated, with expectation 0, process

$$X_t = A_1 \cos t + A_2 \sin t$$

is weakly stationary if $EA_1^2 = EA_2^2 = \sigma^2$.

Clearly $EX_t^2 < \infty$ $EX_t = 0$

$$\text{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t) = \text{Cov} \left[A_1 \cos \nu(t+h) + A_2 \sin \nu(t+h), \right. \\ \left. A_1 \cos \nu t + A_2 \sin \nu t \right]$$

$$= EA_1^2 \cos \nu t \cos \nu(t+h) \\ + EA_2^2 \sin \nu t \sin \nu(t+h)$$

$$= \sigma^2 \cdot \cos \nu h$$

~~depends~~ depends only on h !!!

In discrete times $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ path of

(X_t) sits on the graph of periodic

function, but

▶ from one trajectory of the process

it is not clear if the process is

stationary / periodic / or even random

at all !!!

EXE 5 > If (y_t) is weakly stationary, define

$$X_t = \begin{cases} y_t, & t \text{ even} \\ y_{t+1}, & t \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

Show $\text{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t)$ depends only on h ,

but (X_t) is not weak. stationary.

EXAMPLE 4 (MOVING AVERAGE / MA(1))

Suppose $(Z_t) \sim \text{WN}(0, \sigma^2)$, $v \in \mathbb{R}$,

define

$$X_t = Z_t + vZ_{t-1}, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Process (X_t) is called MA(1) process,

clearly $EX_t = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_X(h) &= \text{Cov}(Z_{t+h} + vZ_{t+h-1}, Z_t + vZ_{t-1}) \\ &= \begin{cases} (1+v^2)\sigma^2, & h=0 \\ v\sigma^2, & h=\pm 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus X_s & X_t are uncorrelated if $|s-t| > 1$
 \hookrightarrow dependence in the sequence (X_t) is
of finite (short) range.

Time series literature treats differently

- short range dependence
- long range dependence,

but these terms are somewhat
vaguely defined.

EXE. 6 > For $(Z_t) \sim \text{IID}$ in Ex 4. show
that (X_t) is strongly stationary.

EXAMPLE 5 (AUTOREGRESSIVE PROC. / AR(1))

For $(Z_t) \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$ consider recursion

$$X_t = \rho X_{t-1} + Z_t, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad (*)$$

for some $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$.

In contrast to MA(1) process, this recursion does not define time series (X_t) , since any X_0 gives different time series.

Q: Can we find stationary (X_t) st. (*) holds.

It turns out that AR(1) equation (*) either

- has unique stationary solution, or
- has no stationary solution.

Case 1 : $|\rho| < 1$

Iterating (*) backwards leads

$$\begin{aligned} X_t &= \rho (\rho X_{t-2} + Z_{t-1}) + Z_t \\ &= \dots \\ &= \rho^k X_{t-k} + \rho^{k-1} Z_{t-k+1} + \dots + \rho Z_{t-1} + Z_t \end{aligned}$$

Clearly $E|\rho^k X_{t-k}|^2 = \rho^{2k} E X_{t-k}^2 \rightarrow 0, k \rightarrow \infty$

if (X_t) is weakly stationary

This suggest solution in the form

$$X_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \rho^k Z_{t-k},$$

We will show this series converges a.s.

since $|\rho| < 1$

↓

(X_t) is well defined in this way,

& by direct calculation it satisfies (*)

If we can interchange expectation & summation signs (to be shown) \Rightarrow

$$EX_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \rho^k E Z_{t-k} = 0$$

$$\gamma_X(h) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho^i \rho^j E Z_{t+h-i} Z_{t-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho^{h+j} \rho^j \sigma^2$$

$$\gamma_Z(h-i+j)$$

$$= \sigma^2 \cdot \frac{\rho^{|h|}}{1-\rho^2}$$

exponentially

fast

(\rightarrow short range dependence)

Case 2 : $\rho = 1$

$$X_t = X_{t-1} + Z_t = \dots = X_0 + Z_1 + \dots + Z_t$$

$\hookrightarrow (X_t)$ is random walk

$$\text{Var}(X_t - X_0) = t \cdot \sigma^2 \rightarrow +\infty$$

From triangle inequality

$$\text{s.d.}(X_t - X_0) \leq \text{s.d.}(X_t) + \text{s.d.}(X_0)$$

\hookrightarrow standard deviation of X_t can't be constant

\Downarrow no stationary solution exist

EXE 6 Show (*) has no stationary solution for $\rho = -1$.

EXE 7 Show (*) has unique stationary solution in the form of random series in the case $|\rho| > 1$.

EXAMPLE 6 (ARCH / GARCH)

The simplest models of stock price movements assume that log returns

$$X_t = \log S_t / S_{t-1}$$

can be modeled as an iid series, say

$$X_t = \sigma Z_t, \quad Z_t \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma^2)$$

Empirical data do not contradict the assumption of mean zero or $\gamma_X(h) = 1, h \neq 0$.

However, there are many properties of empirical data which are not captured by such a model (stylized facts)

Engle (1982) suggested the following model:

$$Z_t \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X_{t-1}^2$$

$$X_t = \sigma_t \cdot Z_t, \quad t \in \mathbb{Z}, N_0$$

For $\alpha_1 \in (0, 1)$ we can again find stationary solution by iterating backwards

$$\sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \alpha_1^j \dots \alpha_1^j \cdot Z_{t-j}^2$$

Since (Z_t) iid $\Rightarrow X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$ solves the recursive equations above

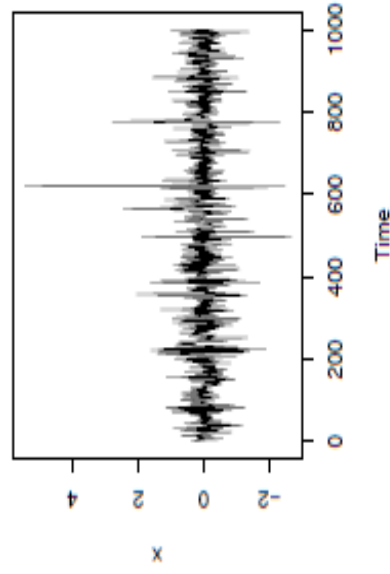
This (X_t) is strongly stationary as a fixed transformation of infinite sequence $(Z_t, Z_{t-1}, Z_{t-2}, \dots)$

(X_t) is called ARCH(1) process
autoregressive conditional heteroscedastic

REM Generalization of this model introduced by Bollerslev (1986) - GARCH - is arguably the most popular model for practical analysis of financial time series.

AR(1), MA(1), ARCH(1), ... can be extended by introduction of additional parameters.

Path of ARCH(2) process



EXE 8 > For $\alpha_1 \in (0, 1)$, $k = \mathbb{E}Z_1^4 < \infty$ show that ARCH process (X_t) has finite 2nd & 4th moment which can be found as

$$\mathbb{E}X_0^2 = \frac{\alpha_0}{1 - \alpha_1}$$

$$\mathbb{E}X_0^4 = \frac{k \alpha_0}{(1 - \alpha_1)^2}$$

EXAMPLE 7 (logistic map)

Take $x_0 \in (0, 1)$ & consider

$$x_{t+1} = 4x_t(1-x_t), \quad t = 1, 2, \dots$$

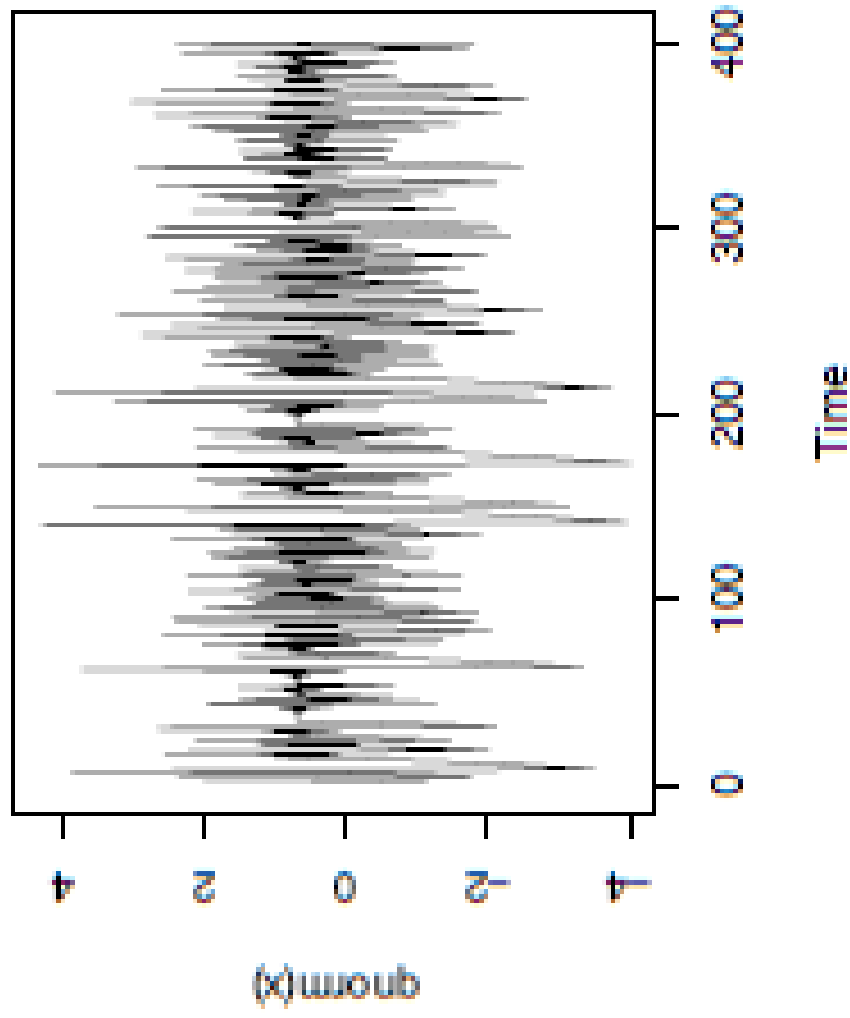
Its trajectory looks entirely random

Mapping $x \mapsto \mu x(1-x)$ $x \in (0, 1)$

is important example from chaos theory.

For $X_0 = \sin^2 \frac{\pi U}{2}$ $U \sim U(0, 1)$

$X_t = 4X_{t-1}(1-X_{t-1})$ defines stationary sequence (which is completely predictable if we know X_0 of course).



We have introduced autocovariance function

$$\gamma_X(h) = \text{Cov}(X_{t+h}, X_t), \quad h \in \mathbb{Z}$$

& autocorrelation function ρ_X

$$\rho_X(h) = \text{Corr}(X_{t+h}, X_t) = \gamma_X(h) / \gamma_X(0), \quad h \in \mathbb{Z}$$

for a weakly stationary time series (X_t) .

They characterize dependence completely for gaussian processes. They also contain sufficient information if we consider linear predictors

In practice they have to be estimated of course, together with the mean of X_t , standard estimators are

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j$$

sample mean

$$\hat{f}_x(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n-h} (X_{j+h} - \bar{X})(X_j - \bar{X}) \quad 0 \leq h < n$$

sample autocovariance function

$$\hat{f}_x(h) = \hat{f}_x(-h), \quad -n \leq h \leq 0$$

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

sample autocorrelation function

$$|h| < 0$$

It is easy to show for any autocov. funct.

LEMMA 2

i) $f(0) \geq 0$

ii) $|f(h)| \leq f(0) \quad \forall h$

iii) f is even function

iv) f is positive semidefinite function

i.e. $\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_i f(i-j) a_j \geq 0$

$\forall n \quad \forall (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Property (iv) \Leftrightarrow

$$\Gamma_n = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma^{(0)} & \gamma^{(1)} & \gamma^{(2)} & \dots & \gamma^{(n-1)} \\ \gamma^{(1)} & \gamma^{(0)} & \dots & \dots & \gamma^{(n-2)} \\ \gamma^{(2)} & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \gamma^{(n-1)} & \dots & \dots & \dots & \gamma^{(0)} \end{bmatrix}$$

is positive
semidefinite
matrix

THEOREM 3

Function $\gamma: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is autocov. funct.
of a stationary time series $\Leftrightarrow \gamma$ is
even & positive semidefinite

Proof Lemma 2 + Thm 1

REM Function ϕ clearly has the same properties, plus $\phi(0) = 1$.

It is frequently easier to find time series with autocov. funct. than to check (i) & (iv) ϕ

The end of the first part

