

# Lecture 13

## Seasonal Time Series Models

Reading: Bowerman, O'Connell, and Koehler (2005): Chapter 11; Cryer and Chen (2008): Chapter 10

*MATH 4070: Regression and Time-Series Analysis*

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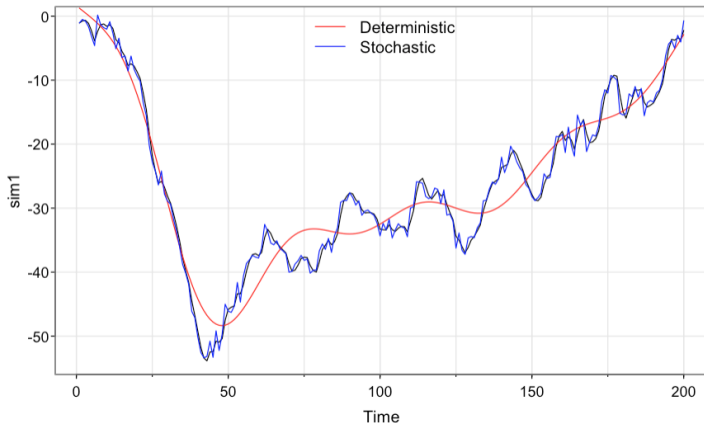
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⇒ The **seasonal ARIMA** model allows us to model the case when  $s_t$  itself varies **randomly** from one cycle to the next

## Digression: Using ARIMA for Stochastic Trend Modeling



For a given time series, it may be challenging to identify the exact form of a deterministic trend  $\mu_t$ . However, **ARIMA** models can effectively capture and account for a “stochastic” trend

## The Seasonal ARIMA (SARIMA) Model

Let  $d$  and  $D$  be non-negative integers. Then  $\{X_t\}$  is a **seasonal ARIMA**  $(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)_s$  process with period  $s$  if

$$Y_t = \nabla^d \nabla_s^D X_t = (1 - B)^d (1 - B^s)^D X_t,$$

is a **casual** ARMA process define by

$$\phi(B)\Phi(B^s)Y_t = \theta(B)\Theta(B^s)Z_t,$$

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

$\{Y_t\}$  is **causal** if  $\phi(z) \neq 0$  and  $\Phi(z) \neq 0$ , for  $|z| \leq 1$ , where

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z^p;$$

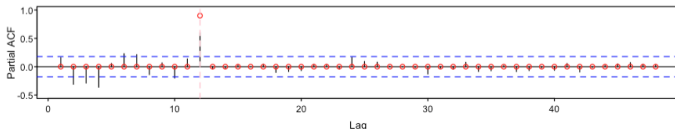
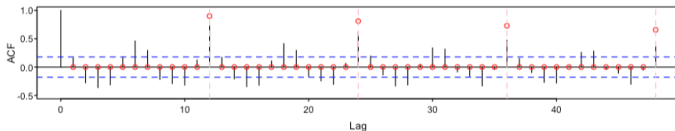
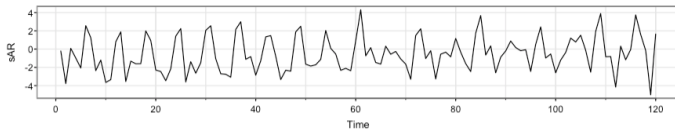
$$\Phi(z) = 1 - \Phi_1 z - \dots - \Phi_P z^P.$$

All roots of the AR and SAR characteristic equations must be greater than 1 in modulus

# An Example of a Seasonal AR Model

$$Y_t = 0.9Y_{t-12} + Z_t,$$

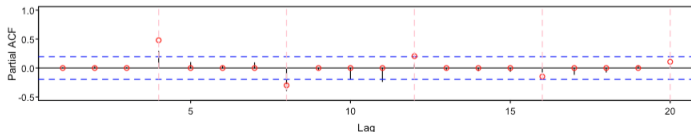
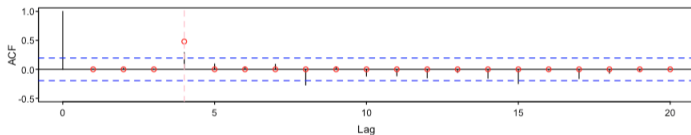
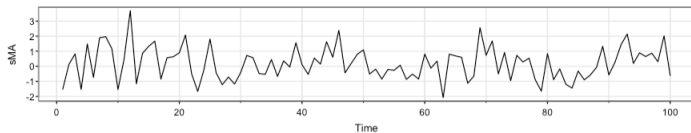
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# An Example of a Seasonal MA Model

$$Y_t = Z_t + 0.75Z_{t-4},$$

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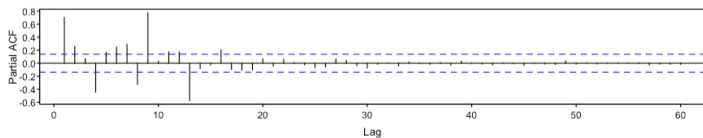
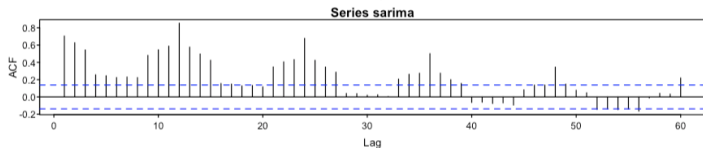
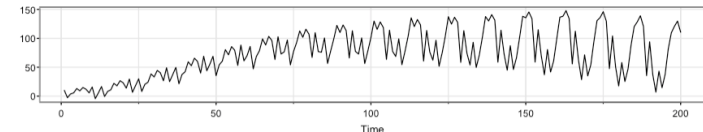


## Example of a SARIMA Model

$$(1 - B)(1 - B^{12})X_t = Y_t$$

$$(1 + 0.25B)(1 - 0.9B^{12})Y_t = (1 + 0.75B^{12})Z_t$$

$$\Rightarrow p = P = Q = d = D = 1, \phi = -0.25, \Phi = 0.9, \Theta_1 = 0.75, s = 12.$$



## An Illustration of Seasonal Model

Consider a monthly time series  $\{X_t\}$  with both a trend, and a seasonal component of period  $s = 12$ .

- Suppose we know the values of  $d$  and  $D$  such that  $Y_t = (1 - B)^d(1 - B^{12})^D X_t$  is stationary
- We can arrange the data this way:

	Month 1	Month 2	...	Month 12
Year 1	$Y_1$	$Y_2$	...	$Y_{12}$
Year 2	$Y_{13}$	$Y_{14}$	...	$Y_{24}$
⋮	⋮	⋮	...	⋮
Year $r$	$Y_{1+12(r-1)}$	$Y_{2+12(r-1)}$	...	$Y_{12+12(r-1)}$

## The Inter-annual Model

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- We can write this as

$$\Phi(B^{12})Y_t = \Theta(B^{12})U_t,$$

and this defines the **inter-annual model**

## The Intra-Annual Model

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- The **combination** of the **inter-annual** and **intra-annual** models for the **differenced** stationary series,

$$Y_t = (1 - B)^d(1 - B^{12})^D X_t,$$

yields a **SARIMA** model for  $\{X_t\}$

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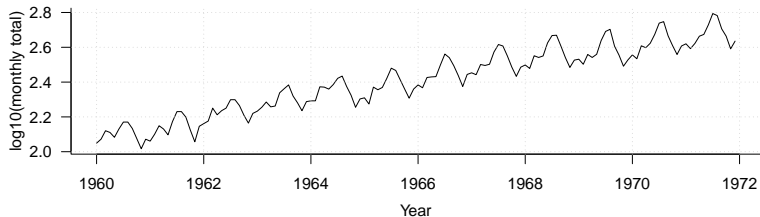
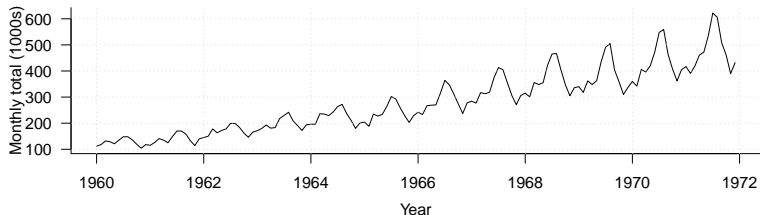
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4. Examine the sample ACF/PACF at lags  $\{1, 2, \dots, s - 1\}$ , to identify possible values of  $p$  and  $q$

5. Use **maximum likelihood method** to fit the models
6. Use model summaries, diagnostics, AIC (AICc) to determine the best SARIMA model
7. Conduct forecast

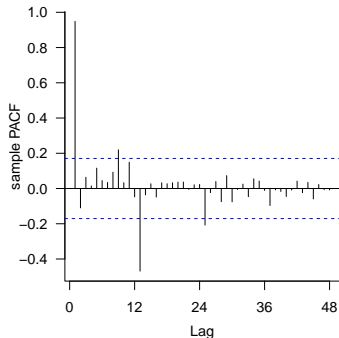
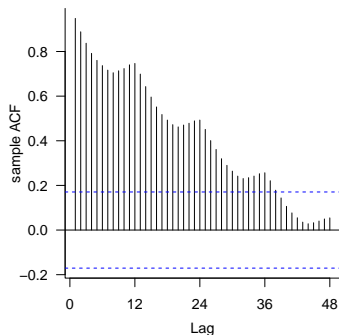
## Airline Passengers Example

We consider the data set `airpassengers`, which are the monthly totals of international airline passengers from 1960 to 1971.



Here we stabilize the variance with a  $\log_{10}$  transformation

# Sample ACF/PACF Plots

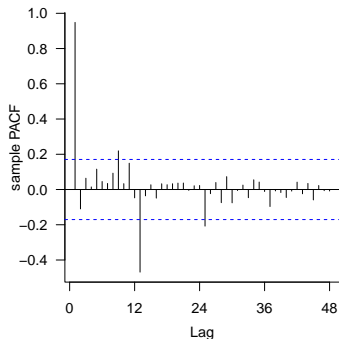
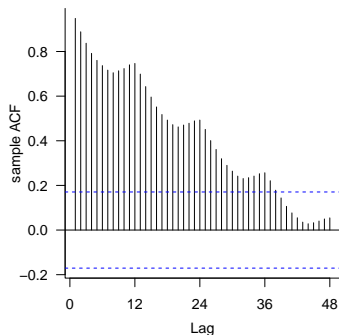


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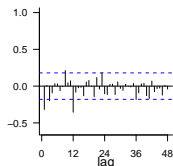
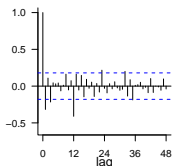
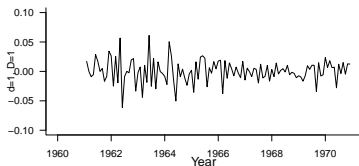
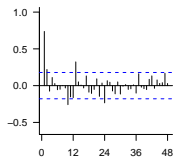
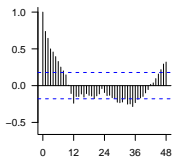
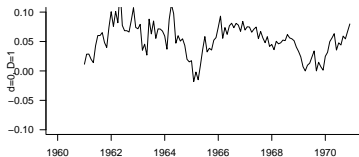
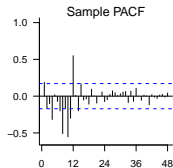
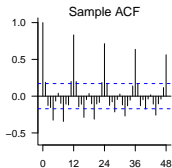
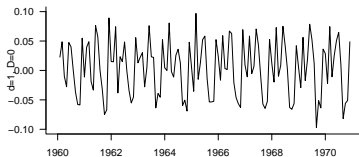


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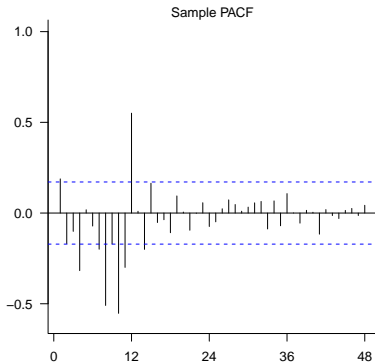
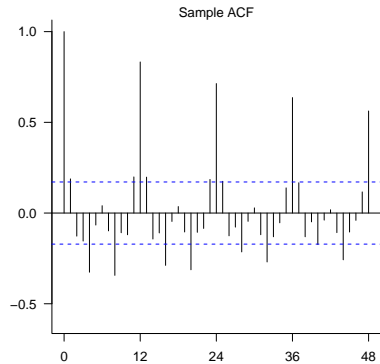
- The sample ACF decays slowly with a wave structure  $\Rightarrow$  seasonality
- The lag one PACF is close to one, indicating that differencing the data would be reasonable

# Trying Different Orders of Differencing



## Choosing Candidate SARIMA Models

We choose a  $\text{SARIMA}(p, 1, q) \times (P, 0, Q)_{12}$  model. Next we examine the sample ACF/PACF of the process  $Y_t = (1 - B)X_t$



Now we need to choose  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $p$ , and  $q$



# Fitting a SARIMA(1, 1, 0) × (1, 0, 0) Model

```
> fit1 <- arima(diff.1.0, order = c(1, 0, 0), seasonal = list(order = c(1, 0, 0), period = 12))  
> fit1
```

Call:

```
arima(x = diff.1.0, order = c(1, 0, 0), seasonal = list(order = c(1, 0, 0),  
  period = 12))
```

Coefficients:

	ar1	sar1	intercept
	-0.2667	0.9291	0.0039
s.e.	0.0865	0.0235	0.0096

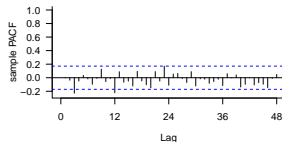
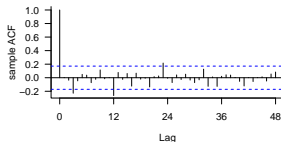
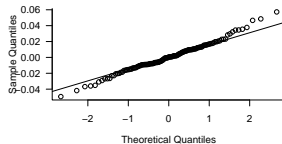
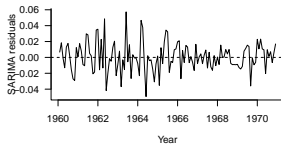
sigma<sup>2</sup> estimated as 0.0003298: log likelihood = 327.27, aic = -646.54

```
> Box.test(fit1$residuals, lag = 48, type = "Ljung-Box")
```

Box-Ljung test

data: fit1\$residuals

X-squared = 55.372, df = 48, p-value = 0.2164



## A Discussion of the Model Fit

- Residuals show greater spread in 1949-1955 and have heavier-than-normal tails
- The Ljung-Box test result indicates the fitted SARIMA  $(1, 1, 0) \times (1, 0, 0)_{12}$  has sufficiently account for the temporal dependence
- 95% CI for  $\phi_1$  and  $\Phi_1$  do not contain zero  $\Rightarrow$  no need to go with simpler model

Our estimated model is:

$$X_t = \log_{10}(\#\text{Passengers})$$

$$Y_t = (1 - B)X_t = X_t - X_{t-1}$$

$$(1 + 0.2667B)(1 - 0.9291B^{12})(Y_t - 0.0039) = Z_t,$$

where  $\{Z_t\} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 0.00033$

## Comparing with a SARIMA(0,1,0) × (1,0,0) Model

```
> (fit2 <- arima(diff.1.0, seasonal = list(order = c(1, 0, 0), period = 12)))
```

Call:

```
arima(x = diff.1.0, seasonal = list(order = c(1, 0, 0), period = 12))
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Coefficients:

	sar1	intercept
	0.9081	0.0040
s.e.	0.0278	0.0108

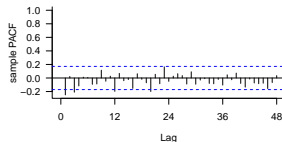
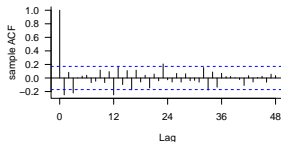
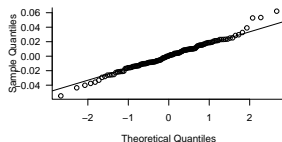
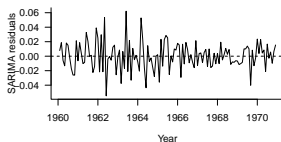
sigma^2 estimated as 0.0003616: log likelihood = 322.75, aic = -639.51

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> Box.test(fit2$residuals, lag = 48, type = "Ljung-Box")
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Box-Ljung test

data: fit2\$residuals

X-squared = 80.641, df = 48, p-value = 0.002209



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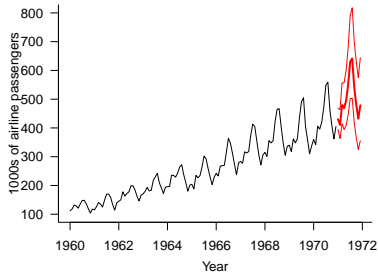
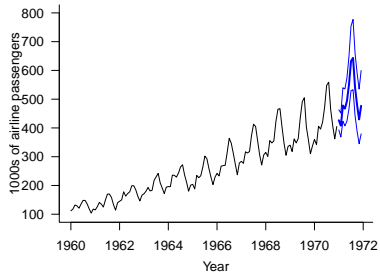
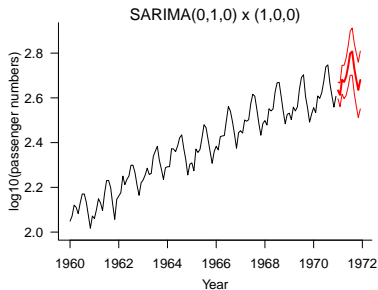
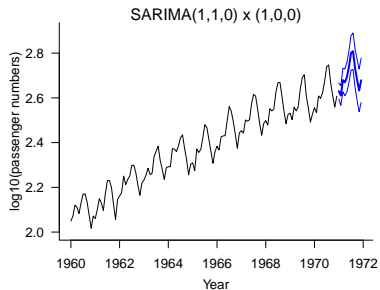


Here we drop the AR(1) term

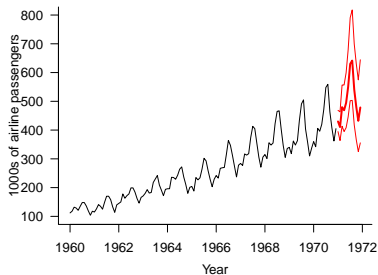
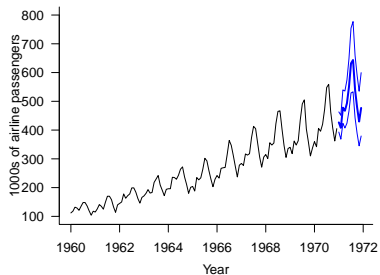
- Residual plots are similar to before, with greater spread in 1949-1955 and heavy tails
- Both  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  and AIC increase (compared with model fit1)
- The lag 1 of ACF and PACF now lies outside the IID noise bounds. The Ljung-Box  $p$ -value of 0.0022, leads us to reject the IID residual assumption

In conclusion, the SARIMA(1, 1, 0) × (1, 0, 0)<sub>12</sub> model fits better than SARIMA(0, 1, 0) × (1, 0, 0)<sub>12</sub>

# Forecasting the 1971 Data



# Evaluating Forecast Performance



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Metrics	Model Fit1	Model Fit2
Root Mean Square Error	30.36	31.32
Mean Relative Error	0.057	0.060
Empirical Coverage	0.917	1.000

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**Question:** What is this SARIMA model equivalent to?