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Econometrics 2 - Lecture 3

# Univariate Time Series Models

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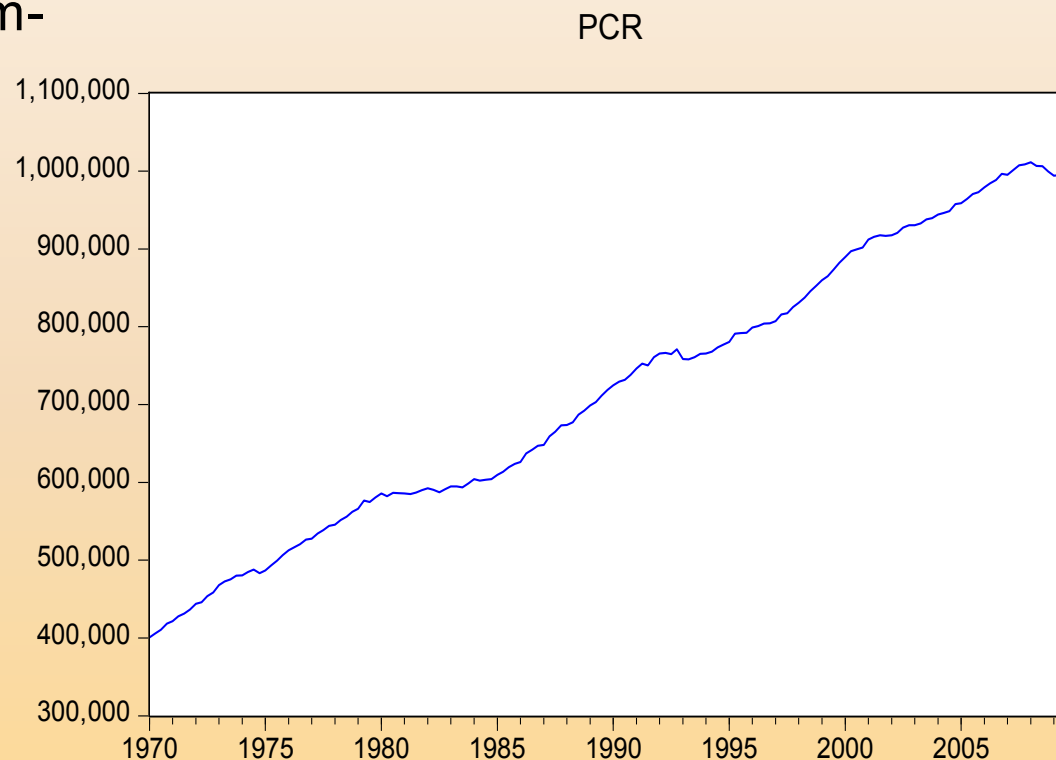
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# Private Consumption

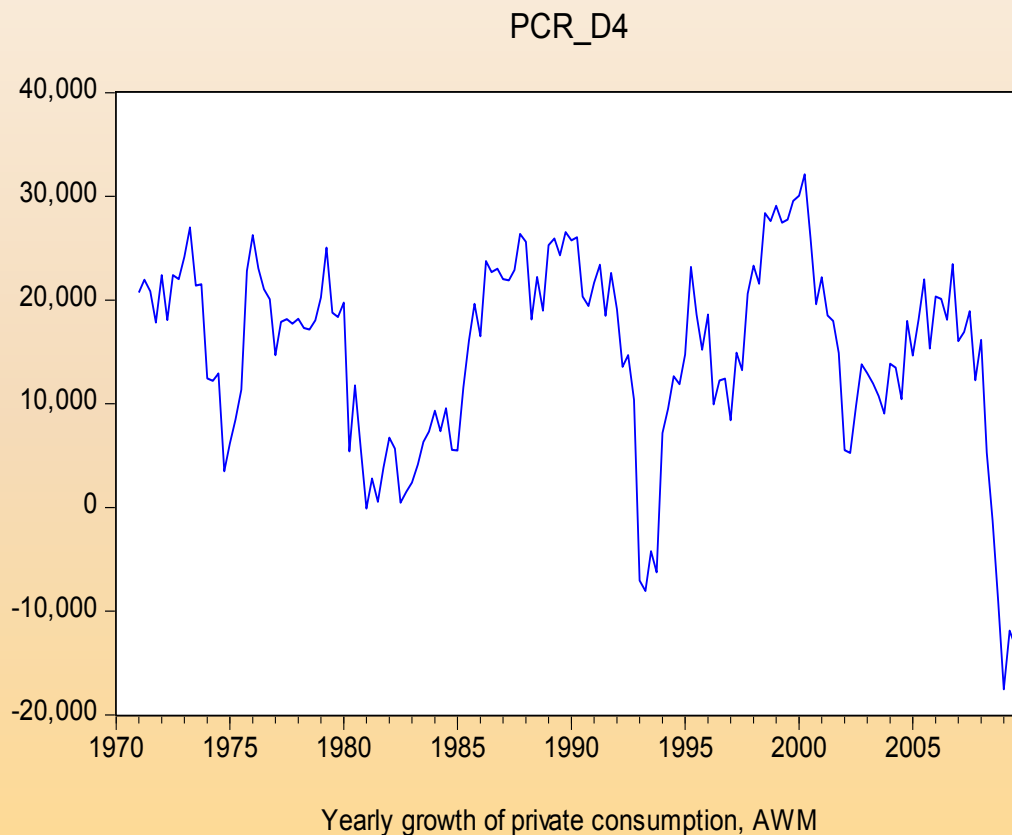
Private consumption in the EURO area (16 members), quarterly data, seasonally adjusted, AWM database (in MioEUR)



Private Consumption in MioEUR, quarterly data, AWM

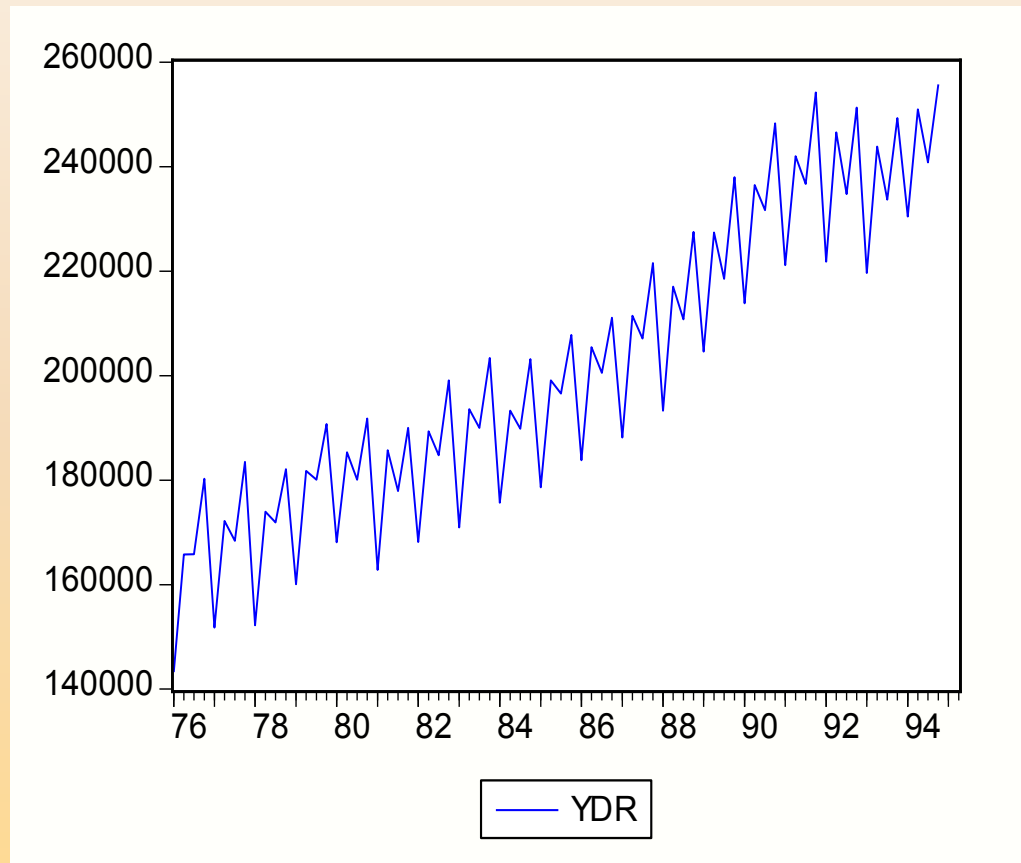
# Private Consumption: Growth Rate

Yearly growth of private consumption in EURO area (16 members), AWM database (in MioEUR)  
Mean growth: 15.008



# Disposable Income

Disposable income,  
Austria (in Mio EUR)



# Time Series

Time-ordered sequence of observations of a random variable

Examples:

- Annual values of private consumption
- Yearly changes in expenditures on private consumption
- Quarterly values of personal disposable income
- Monthly values of imports

Notation:

- Random variable  $Y$
- Sequence of observations  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_T$
- Deviations from the mean:  $y_t = Y_t - E\{Y_t\} = Y_t - \mu$

# Components of a Time Series

Components or characteristics of a time series are

- Trend
- Seasonality
- Irregular fluctuations

Time series model: represents the characteristics as well as possible interactions

Purpose of modelling

- Description of the time series
- Forecasting the future

Example: Quarterly observations of the disposable income

$$Y_t = \beta t + \sum_i \gamma_i D_{it} + \varepsilon_t$$

with  $D_{it} = 1$  if  $t$  corresponds to  $i$ -th quarter,  $D_{it} = 0$  otherwise

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# Stochastic Process

Time series: realization of a stochastic process

Stochastic process is a sequence of random variables  $Y_t$ , e.g.,

$$\{Y_t, t = 1, \dots, n\}$$

$$\{Y_t, t = -\infty, \dots, \infty\}$$

Joint distribution of the  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ :

$$\rho(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

Of special interest

- Evolution of the expectation  $\mu_t = E\{Y_t\}$  over time
- Dependence structure over time

Example: Extrapolation of a time series as a tool for forecasting

# White Noise

White noise process  $\{Y_t, t = -\infty, \dots, \infty\}$

- $E\{Y_t\} = 0$
  - $V\{Y_t\} = \sigma^2$
  - $\text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-s}\} = 0$  for all (positive or negative) integers  $s$
- i.e., a mean zero, serially uncorrelated, homoskedastic process

# AR(1)-Process

States the dependence structure between consecutive observations as

$$Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \quad |\theta| < 1$$

with  $\varepsilon_t$ : white noise, i.e.,  $V\{\varepsilon_t\} = \sigma^2$  (see next slide)

- Autoregressive process of order 1

From  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = \delta + \theta\delta + \theta^2\delta + \dots + \varepsilon_t + \theta\varepsilon_{t-1} + \theta^2\varepsilon_{t-2} + \dots$  follows

$$E\{Y_t\} = \mu = \delta(1-\theta)^{-1}$$

- $|\theta| < 1$  needed for convergence! Invertibility condition

In deviations from  $\mu$ ,  $y_t = Y_t - \mu$ :

$$y_t = \theta y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

# AR(1)-Process, cont'd

Autocovariances  $\gamma_k = \text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\}$

- $k=0$ :  $\gamma_0 = V\{Y_t\} = \theta^2 V\{Y_{t-1}\} + V\{\varepsilon_t\} = \dots = \sum_i \theta^{2i} \sigma^2 = \sigma^2(1-\theta^2)^{-1}$
- $k=1$ :  $\gamma_1 = \text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-1}\} = E\{y_t y_{t-1}\} = E\{(\theta y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t) y_{t-1}\} = \theta V\{y_{t-1}\} = \theta \sigma^2(1-\theta^2)^{-1}$

- In general:

$$\gamma_k = \text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\} = \theta^k \sigma^2(1-\theta^2)^{-1}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

depends upon  $k$ , not upon  $t$ !

# MA(1)-Process

States the dependence structure between consecutive observations as

$$Y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \alpha\varepsilon_{t-1}$$

with  $\varepsilon_t$ : white noise,  $V\{\varepsilon_t\} = \sigma^2$

Moving average process of order 1

$$E\{Y_t\} = \mu$$

Autocovariances  $\gamma_k = \text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\}$

- $k=0$ :  $\gamma_0 = V\{Y_t\} = \sigma^2(1+\alpha^2)$
- $k=1$ :  $\gamma_1 = \text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t-1}\} = \alpha\sigma^2$
- $\gamma_k = 0$  for  $k = 2, 3, \dots$
- Depends upon  $k$ , not upon  $t$ !

# AR-Representation of MA-Process

The AR(1) can be represented as MA-process of infinite order

$$y_t = \theta y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \theta^i \varepsilon_{t-i}$$

given that  $|\theta| < 1$

Similarly: the AR representation of the MA(1) process

$$y_t = \alpha y_{t-1} - \alpha^2 y_{t-2} + \dots + \varepsilon_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \alpha^{i+1} y_{t-i-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

given that  $|\alpha| < 1$

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# Stationary Processes

Refers to the joint distribution of  $Y_t$ 's, in particular to the second moments

(Weak) stationary or covariance stationary process: the first two moments are finite and not affected by a shift of time

$$E\{Y_t\} = \mu \text{ for all } t$$

$$\text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t+k}\} = \gamma_k, k = 0, 1, \dots \text{ for all } t \text{ and all } k$$

$$\text{Cov}\{Y_t, Y_{t+k}\}, k = 0, 1, \dots: \text{covariance function; } \gamma_{t,k} = \gamma_{t,-k}$$

A process is called strictly stationary if its stochastic properties are unaffected by a change of the time origin

- The joint probability distribution at any set of times is not affected by an arbitrary shift along the time axis



# AC and PAC Function

Autocorrelation function (AC function, ACF)

Independent of the scale of  $Y$

- For a stationary process:

$$\rho_k = \text{Corr}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\} = \gamma_k / \gamma_0, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

- Properties:

- $|\rho_k| \leq 1$
- $\rho_k = \rho_{-k}$
- $\rho_0 = 1$

- Correlogram: graphical presentation of the AC function

Partial autocorrelation function (PAC function, PACF):

$$\theta_{kk} = \text{Corr}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k} | Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-k+1}\}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

- $\theta_{kk}$  is obtained from  $Y_t = \theta_{k0} + \theta_{k1} Y_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_{kk} Y_{t-k}$
- Partial correlogram: graphical representation of the PAC function

# Examples

for the AC and PAC functions:

- White noise

$$\rho_0 = \theta_{00} = 1$$

$$\rho_k = \theta_{kk} = 0, \text{ if } k \neq 0$$

white noise is stationary

- AR(1) process,  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

$$\rho_k = \theta^k, k = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\theta_{00} = 1, \theta_{11} = \theta, \theta_{kk} = 0 \text{ for } k > 1$$

- MA(1) process,  $Y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \alpha \varepsilon_{t-1}$

$$\rho_0 = 1, \rho_1 = \alpha / (1 + \alpha^2), \rho_k = 0 \text{ for } k > 1$$

PAC function: damped exponential if  $\alpha > 0$ , alternating and damped exponential if  $\alpha < 0$

# Stationarity of MA- and AR-Processes

MA processes are stationary

- Weighted sum of white noises
- E.g., MA(1) process:  $Y_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \alpha\varepsilon_{t-1}$   
 $\rho_0 = 1, \rho_1 = \alpha/(1 + \alpha^2), \rho_k = 0$  for  $k > 1$

An AR process is stationary if it is invertible

- AR(1) process,  $Y_t = \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \theta^i \varepsilon_{t-i}$  if  $|\theta| < 1$  (invertibility condition)  
 $\rho_k = \theta^k, k = 0, 1, \dots$

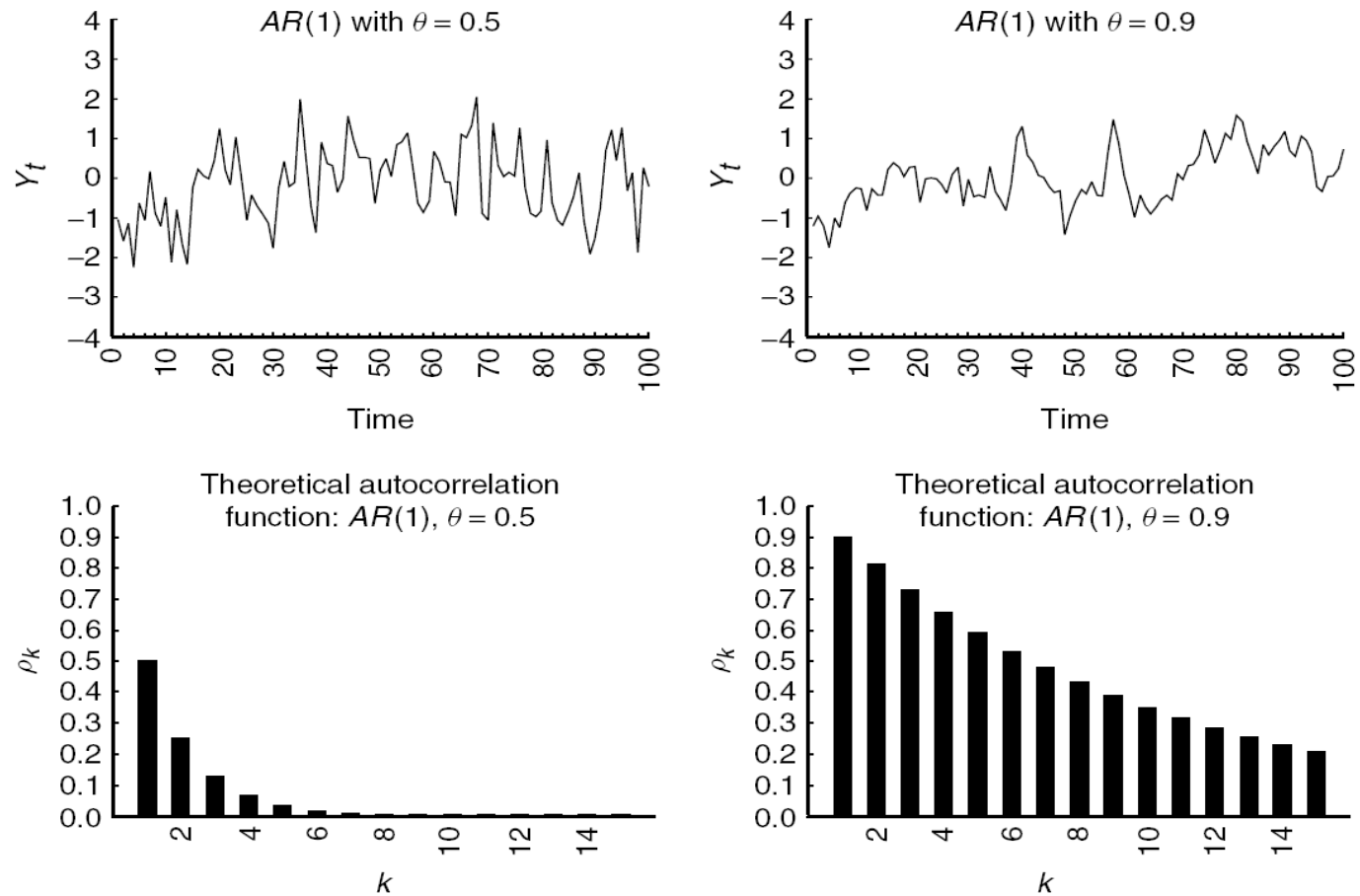
# AC and PAC Function: Estimates

- Estimator for the AC function  $\rho_k$ :

$$\hat{\rho}_k = \frac{\sum_t (Y_t - \bar{Y})(Y_{t-k} - \bar{Y})}{\sum_t (Y_t - \bar{Y})^2}$$

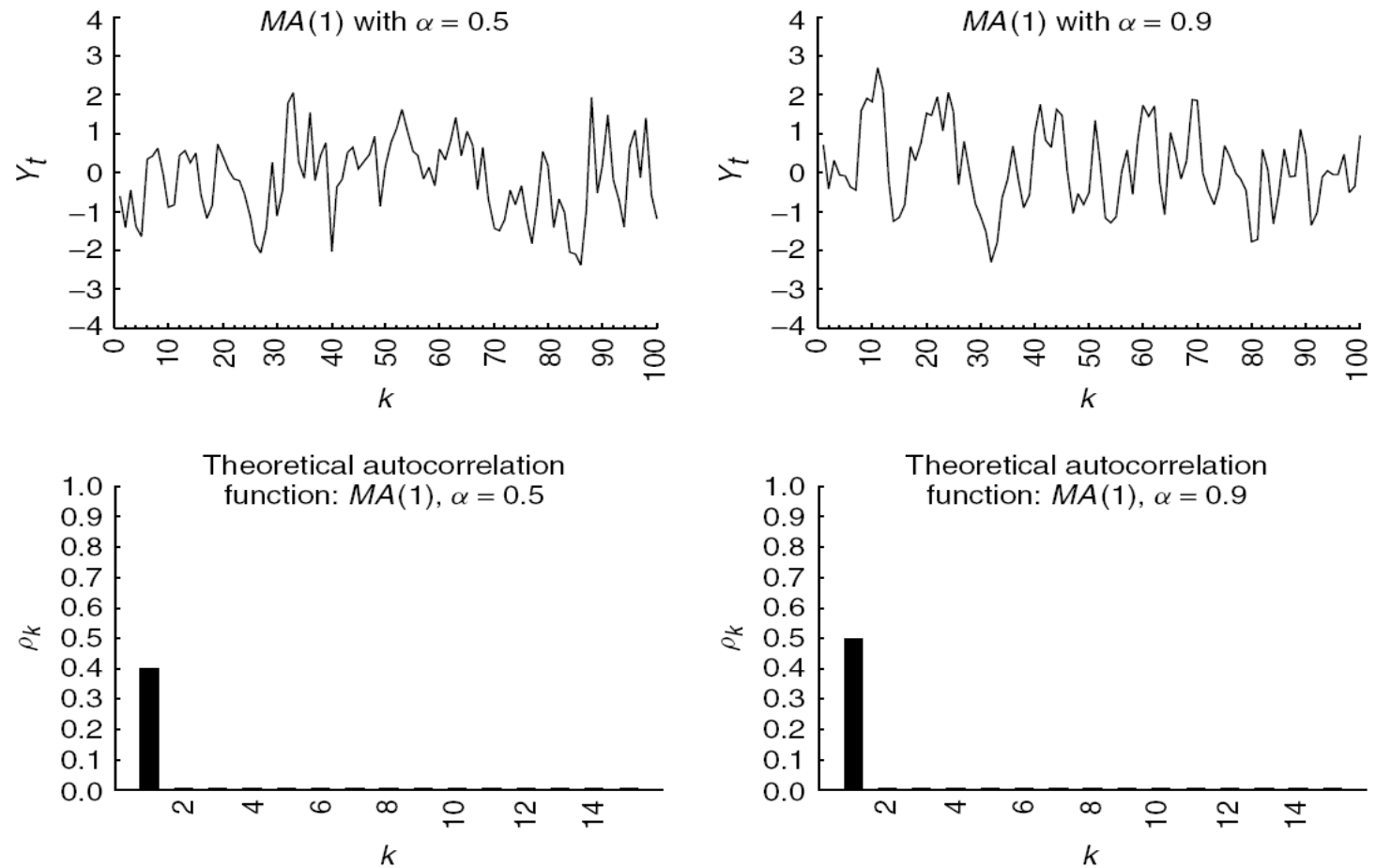
- Estimator for the PAC function  $\theta_{kk}$ : coefficient of  $Y_{t-k}$  in the regression of  $Y_t$  on  $Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-k}$

# AR(1) Processes, Verbeek, Fig. 8.1



**Figure 8.1** First-order autoregressive processes: data series and autocorrelation functions

# MA(1) Processes, Verbeek, Fig. 8.2



**Figure 8.2** First-order moving average processes: data series and autocorrelation functions

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# The ARMA(p,q) Process

Generalization of the AR and MA processes: ARMA(p,q) process

$$y_t = \theta_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_p y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t + \alpha_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_q \varepsilon_{t-q}$$

with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$

Lag (or shift) operator  $L$  ( $Ly_t = y_{t-1}$ ,  $L^0 y_t = I y_t = y_t$ ,  $L^p y_t = y_{t-p}$ )

ARMA(p,q) process in operator notation

$$\theta(L)y_t = \alpha(L)\varepsilon_t$$

with operator polynomials  $\theta(L)$  and  $\alpha(L)$

$$\theta(L) = I - \theta_1 L - \dots - \theta_p L^p$$

$$\alpha(L) = I + \alpha_1 L + \dots + \alpha_q L^q$$



# Lag Operator

Lag (or shift) operator  $L$

- $Ly_t = y_{t-1}$ ,  $L^0y_t = Iy_t = y_t$ ,  $L^py_t = y_{t-p}$
- Algebra of polynomials in  $L$  like algebra of variables

Examples:

- $(I - \phi_1L)(I - \phi_2L) = I - (\phi_1 + \phi_2)L + \phi_1\phi_2L^2$
- $(I - \theta L)^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \theta^i L^i$
- MA( $\infty$ ) representation of the AR(1) process

$$y_t = (I - \theta L)^{-1}\varepsilon_t$$

the infinite sum defined only (e.g., finite variance) if  $|\theta| < 1$

- MA( $\infty$ ) representation of the ARMA( $p, q$ ) process

$$y_t = [\theta(L)]^{-1}\alpha(L)\varepsilon_t$$

similarly the AR( $\infty$ ) representations; invertibility condition: restrictions on parameters

# Invertibility of Lag Polynomials

Invertibility condition for lag polynomial  $\theta(L) = I - \theta L$ :  $|\theta| < 1$

Invertibility condition for lag polynomial of order 2,  $\theta(L) = I - \theta_1 L - \theta_2 L^2$

- $\theta(L) = I - \theta_1 L - \theta_2 L^2 = (I - \phi_1 L)(I - \phi_2 L)$  with  $\phi_1 + \phi_2 = \theta_1$  and  $-\phi_1 \phi_2 = \theta_2$
- Invertibility conditions: both  $(I - \phi_1 L)$  and  $(I - \phi_2 L)$  invertible;  $|\phi_1| < 1$ ,  $|\phi_2| < 1$

Invertibility in terms of the characteristic equation

$$\theta(z) = (1 - \phi_1 z)(1 - \phi_2 z) = 0$$

- Characteristic roots: solutions  $z_1, z_2$  from  $(1 - \phi_1 z)(1 - \phi_2 z) = 0$

$$z_1 = \phi_1^{-1}, z_2 = \phi_2^{-1}$$

- Invertibility conditions:  $|z_1| = |\phi_1^{-1}| > 1$ ,  $|z_2| = |\phi_2^{-1}| > 1$

Polynomial  $\theta(L)$  is not invertible if any solution  $z_i$  fulfills  $|z_i| \leq 1$

Can be generalized to lag polynomials of higher order

# Unit Root and Invertibility

Lag polynomial of order 1:  $\theta(z) = (1 - \theta z) = 0$ ,

- Unit root: characteristic root  $z = 1$ ; implies  $\theta = 1$
- Invertibility condition  $|\theta| < 1$  is violated, AR process  $Y_t = \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  is non-stationary

Lag polynomial of order 2

- Characteristic equation  $\theta(z) = (1 - \phi_1 z)(1 - \phi_2 z) = 0$
- Characteristic roots  $z_i = 1/\phi_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$
- Unit root: a characteristic root  $z_i$  of value 1; violates the invertibility condition  $|z_1| = |\phi_1^{-1}| > 1$ ,  $|z_2| = |\phi_2^{-1}| > 1$
- AR(2) process  $Y_t$  is non-stationary

AR( $p$ ) process: polynomial  $\theta(z) = 1 - \theta_1 z - \dots - \theta_p z^p$ , evaluated at  $z = 1$ , is zero, given  $\sum_i \theta_i = 1$ :  $\sum_i \theta_i = 1$  indicates a unit root

Tests for unit roots are important tools for identifying stationarity

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# Types of Trend

Trend: The development of the expected value of a process over time; typically an increasing (or decreasing) pattern

- **Deterministic trend:** a function  $f(t)$  of the time, describing the evolution of  $E\{Y_t\}$  over time

$$Y_t = f(t) + \varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_t: \text{white noise}$$

Example:  $Y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$  describes a linear trend of  $Y$ ; an increasing trend corresponds to  $\beta > 0$

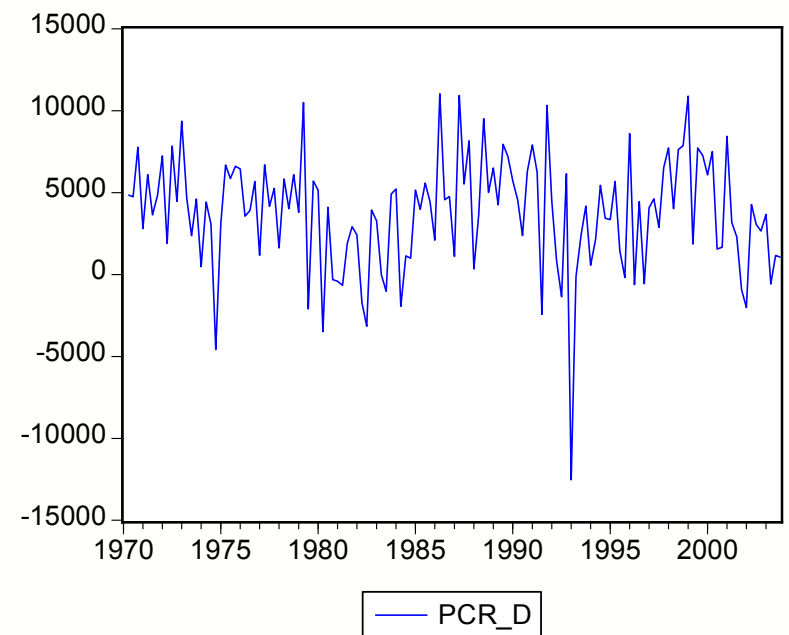
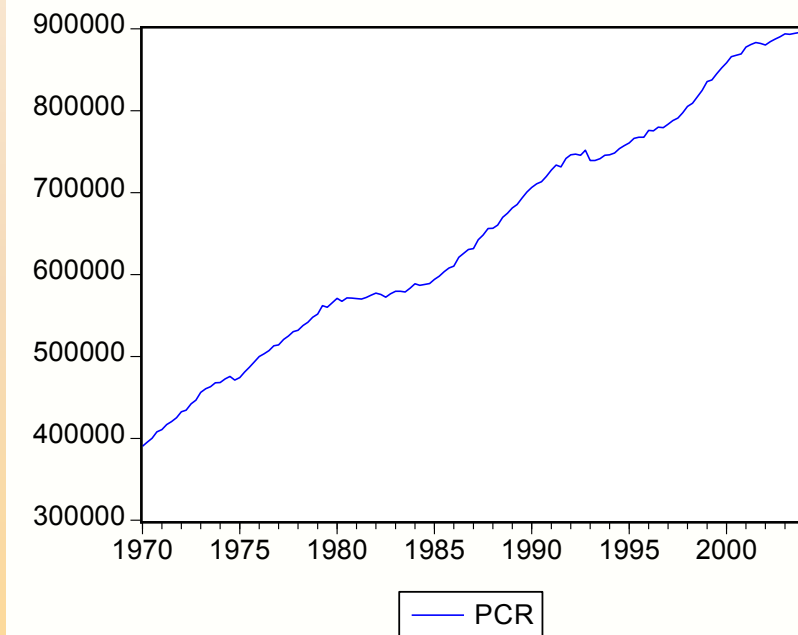
- **Stochastic trend:**  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  or

$$\Delta Y_t = Y_t - Y_{t-1} = \delta + \varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_t: \text{white noise}$$

- describes an irregular or random fluctuation of the differences  $\Delta Y_t$  around the expected value  $\delta$
- AR(1) – or AR( $p$ ) – process with unit root
- “random walk with trend”

# Example: Private Consumption

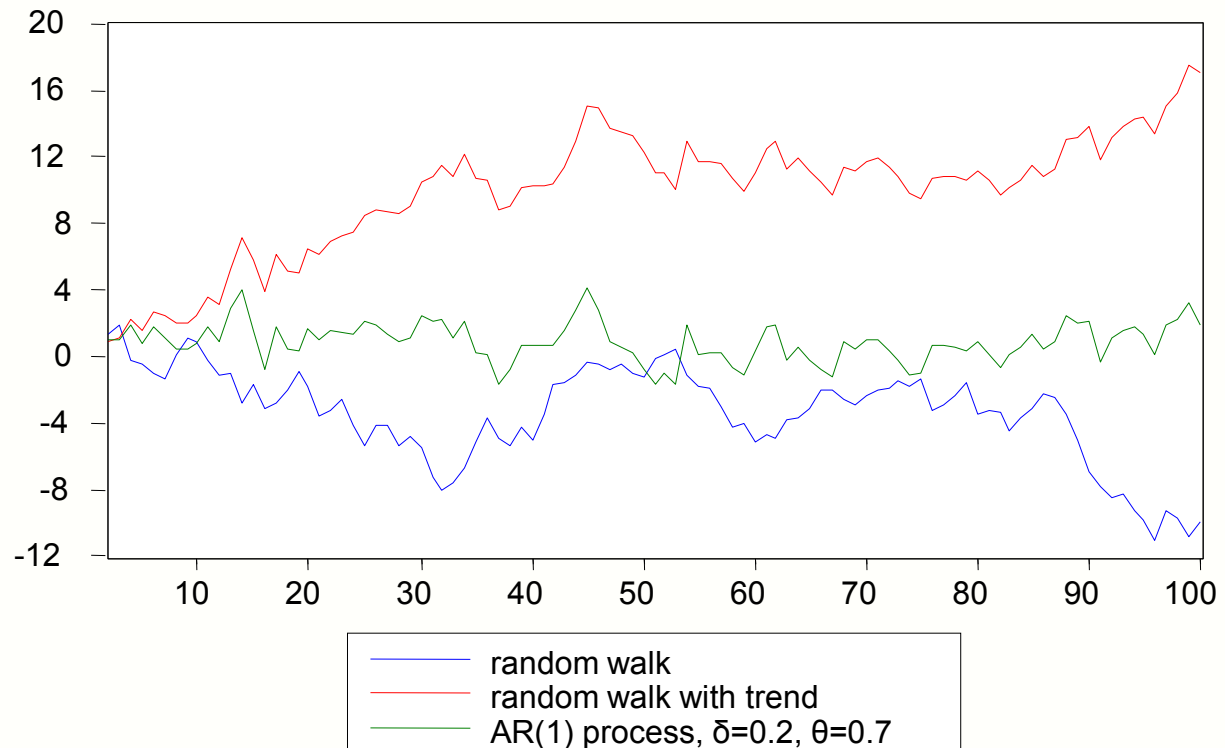
Private consumption, AWM database; level values (PCR) and first differences (PCR\_D)



Mean of PCR\_D: 3740

# Trends: Random Walk and AR Process

Random walk:  $Y_t = Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ; random walk with trend:  $Y_t = 0.1 + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ;  
AR(1) process:  $Y_t = 0.2 + 0.7Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ;  $\varepsilon_t$  simulated from  $N(0,1)$



# Random Walk with Trend

The random walk with trend  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  can be written as

$$Y_t = Y_0 + \delta t + \sum_{i \leq t} \varepsilon_i$$

$\delta$ : trend parameter

Components of the process

- Deterministic growth path  $Y_0 + \delta t$
- Cumulative errors  $\sum_{i \leq t} \varepsilon_i$

Properties:

- Expectation  $Y_0 + \delta t$  is depending on  $Y_0$ , i.e., on the origin ( $t=0$ )!
- $V\{Y_t\} = \sigma^2 t$  becomes arbitrarily large!
- $\text{Corr}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\} = \sqrt{(1-k/t)}$
- Random walk with trend is non-stationary!



# Random Walk with Trend, cont'd

From  $\text{Corr}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\} = \sqrt{(1-k/t)}$  follows

- For fixed  $k$ ,  $Y_t$  and  $Y_{t-k}$  are the stronger correlated, the larger  $t$
- With increasing  $k$ , correlation tends to zero, but tends the slower to zero the larger  $t$  (long memory property)

Random walk vs. the AR(1) process  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

- AR(1) process:  $\varepsilon_{t-i}$  has the lesser weight, the larger  $i$
- AR(1) process similar to random walk when  $\theta$  is close to one

# Non-Stationarity: Consequences

AR(1) process  $Y_t = \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

- OLS estimator for  $\theta$ :

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum_t Y_t Y_{t-1}}{\sum_t Y_t^2}$$

- For  $|\theta| < 1$ : the estimator is
  - consistent
  - asymptotically normally distributed
- For  $\theta = 1$  (unit root)
  - $\theta$  is underestimated
  - estimator not normally distributed
  - spurious regression problem

# Integrated Processes

In order to cope with non-stationarity

- Trend-stationary process: the process can be transformed in a stationary process by subtracting the deterministic trend
  - E.g.,  $Y_t = f(t) + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$ :  $Y_t - f(t) = \varepsilon_t$  is stationary
- Difference-stationary process, or integrated process: stationary process can be achieved by differencing
  - E.g.,  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ , E.g.,  $Y_t - Y_{t-1} = \delta + \varepsilon_t$  is stationary

Integrated process: stochastic process  $Y$  is called

- integrated of order one if the first difference yield a stationary process:  $Y \sim I(1)$
- integrated of order  $d$ , if the  $d$ -fold differences yield a stationary process:  $Y \sim I(d)$

# $I(0)$ - vs. $I(1)$ -Processes

$I(0)$  process, e.g.,  $Y_t = \delta + \varepsilon_t$

- Fluctuates around the process mean with constant variance
  - Mean-reverting
  - Limited memory

$I(1)$  process e.g.,  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t = Y_0 + \delta t + \sum_{i \leq t} \varepsilon_i$

- Fluctuates widely
  - Infinitely long memory
  - Persistent effect of shocks

# Integrated Stochastic Processes

Many economic time series show stochastic trends

From the AWM Database

	Variable	<i>d</i>
YER	GDP, real	1
PCR	Consumption, real	1-2
PYR	Household's Disposable Income, real	1-2
PCD	Consumption Deflator	2

ARIMA( $p, d, q$ ) process:  $d$ -th differences follow an ARMA( $p, q$ ) process

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# Example: Model for a Stochastic Trend

Data generation: random walk (without trend):  $Y_t = Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ,  $\varepsilon_t$ : white noise

- Realization of  $Y_t$ : is a non-stationary process, stochastic trend
- $V\{Y_t\}$ : a multiple of  $t$

Specified model:  $Y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$

- Deterministic trend
- Constant variance
- Miss-specified model!

Consequences for OLS estimator for  $\beta$

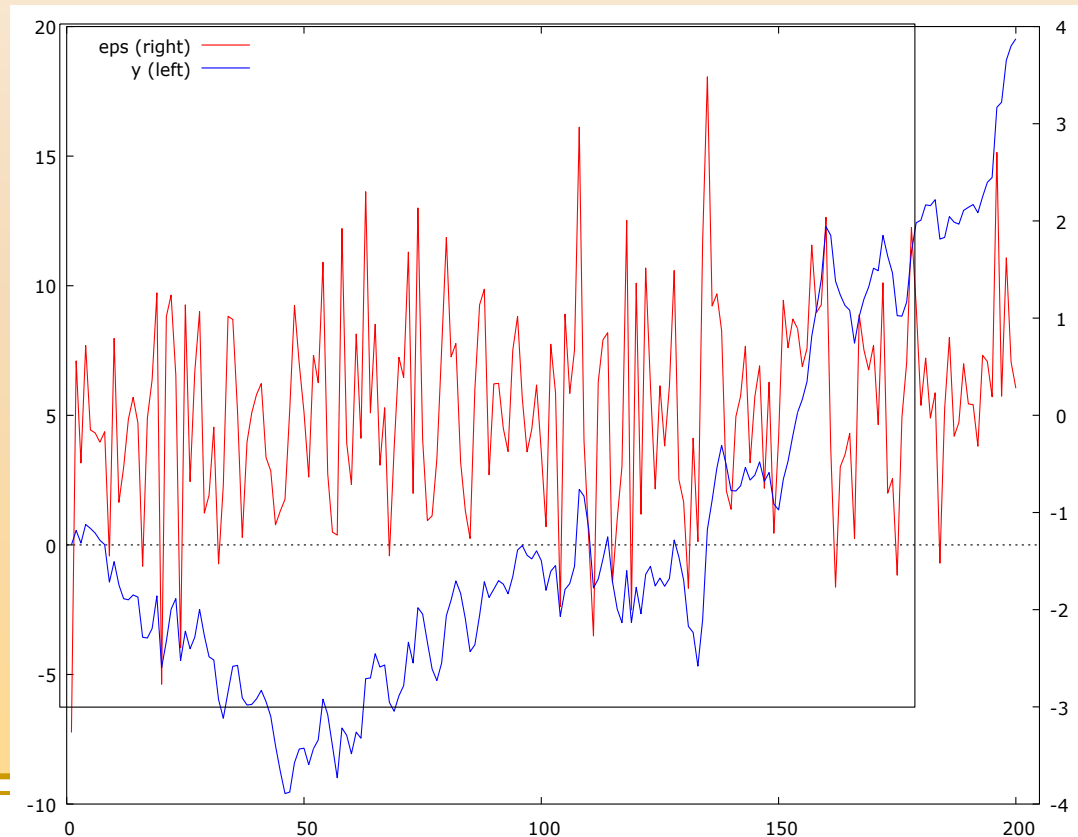
- $t$ - and  $F$ -statistics: wrong critical limits, rejection probability too large
- $R^2$  indicates explanatory potential although  $Y_t$  a random walk without trend
- “spurious regression” or “nonsense regression”

# White Noise and Random Walk

## Computer-generated random numbers

- $eps$ : white noise, i.e.,  $N(0,1)$ -distributed
- $Y$ : random walk

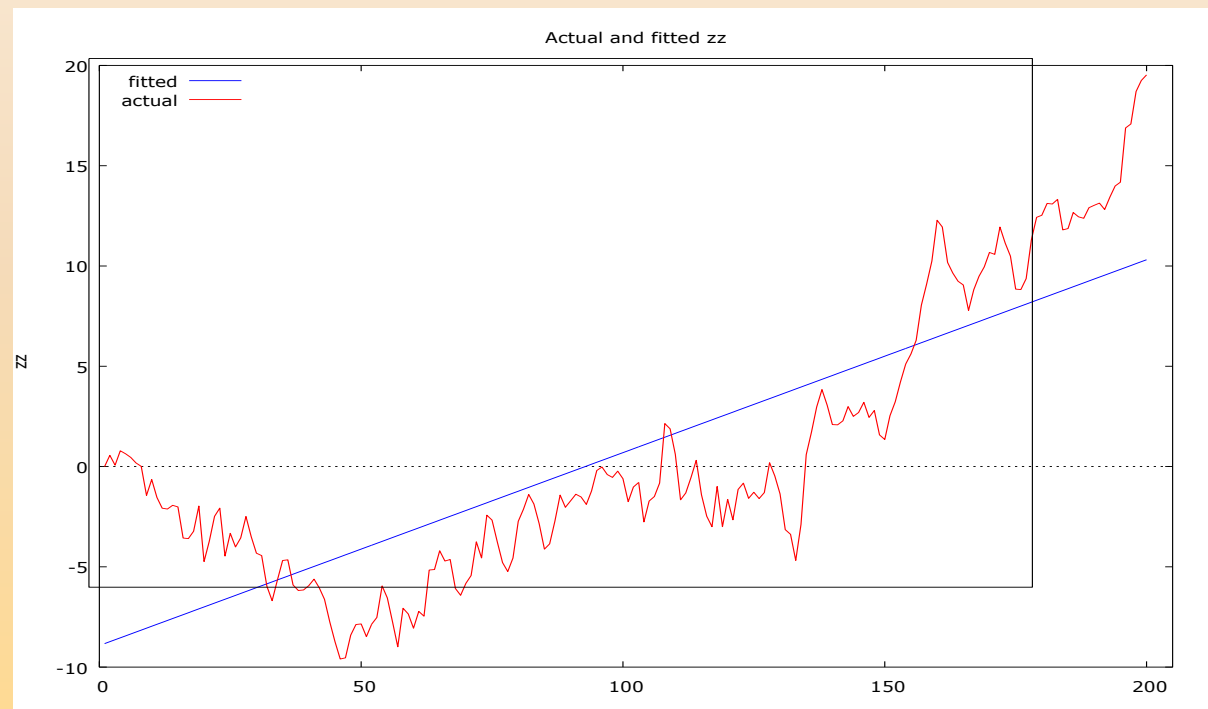
$$Y_t = Y_{t-1} + eps_t$$





# Random Walk and Deterministic Trend

Fitting the deterministic trend model  $Y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$  to the random walk data results in  $-0.92 + 0.096 t$  with  $t$ -statistic 19.77 for  $b$ ,  $R^2 = 0.66$ , and Durbin Watson statistic 0.066



# How to Model Trends?

Specification of a

- Deterministic trend, e.g.,  $Y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$ : risk of spurious regression, wrong decisions
- Stochastic trend: analysis of differences  $\Delta Y_t$  if a random walk, i.e., a unit root, is suspected

Consequences of spurious regression are more serious

Consequences of modeling differences  $\Delta Y_t$ :

- Autocorrelated errors
- Consistent estimators
- Asymptotically normally distributed estimators
- HAC correction of standard errors, i.e., heteroskedasticity and autocorrelation consistent estimates of standard errors

# Elimination of Trend

Random walk  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$

$$\Delta Y_t = Y_t - Y_{t-1} = \delta + \varepsilon_t$$

- $\Delta Y_t$  is a stationary process
- A random walk is a difference-stationary or  $I(1)$  process

Linear trend  $Y_t = \alpha + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$

- Subtracting the trend component  $\alpha + \beta t$  provides a stationary process
- $Y_t$  is a trend-stationary process

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# Unit Root Tests

AR(1) process  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$

- Dickey-Fuller or DF test (Dickey & Fuller, 1979)  
Test of  $H_0: \theta = 1$  against  $H_1: \theta < 1$ , i.e.,  $H_0$  states  $Y \sim I(1)$ ,  $Y$  is non-stationary
- KPSS test (Kwiatkowski, Phillips, Schmidt & Shin, 1992)  
Test of  $H_0: \theta < 1$  against  $H_1: \theta = 1$ , i.e.,  $H_0$  states  $Y \sim I(0)$ ,  $Y$  is stationary
- Augmented Dickey-Fuller or ADF test  
extension of DF test
- Various modifications like Phillips-Perron test, Dickey-Fuller GLS test, etc.

# Dickey-Fuller's Unit Root Test

AR(1) process  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$

OLS Estimator for  $\theta$ :

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T Y_t Y_{t-1}}{\sum_{t=1}^T Y_t^2}$$

Test statistic

$$DF_{\hat{\theta}} = \frac{\hat{\theta} - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\theta})}}$$

Distribution of  $DF$

- If  $|\theta| < 1$ : approximately  $t(T-1)$
- If  $\theta = 1$ : Dickey & Fuller critical values

DF test for testing  $H_0: \theta = 1$  against  $H_1: \theta < 1$

- $\theta = 1$ : characteristic equation  $1 - \theta z = 0$  has unit root

# Dickey-Fuller Critical Values

Monte Carlo estimates of critical values for

$DF_0$ : Dickey-Fuller test without intercept;  $Y_t = \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

$DF$ : Dickey-Fuller test with intercept;  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

$DF_T$ : Dickey-Fuller test with time trend;  $Y_t = \delta + \gamma t + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

$T$		$p = 0.01$	$p = 0.05$	$p = 0.10$
25	$DF_0$	-2.66	-1.95	-1.60
	$DF$	-3.75	-3.00	-2.63
	$DF_T$	-4.38	-3.60	-3.24
100	$DF_0$	-2.60	-1.95	-1.61
	$DF$	-3.51	-2.89	-2.58
	$DF_T$	-4.04	-3.45	-3.15
N(0,1)		-2.33	-1.65	-1.28

# Unit Root Test: The Practice

AR(1) process  $Y_t = \delta + \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$

can be written with  $\pi = \theta - 1$  as

$$\Delta Y_t = \delta + \pi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

DF tests  $H_0: \pi = 0$  against  $H_1: \pi < 0$

test statistic for testing  $\pi = \theta - 1 = 0$  identical with *DF* statistic

$$DF_{\pi} = \frac{\hat{\pi}}{\hat{\sigma}_{\pi}}$$

Two steps:

1. Regression of  $\Delta Y_t$  on  $Y_{t-1}$ : OLS-estimator for  $\pi = \theta - 1$
2. Test of  $H_0: \pi = 0$  against  $H_1: \pi < 0$  based on *DF*; critical values of Dickey & Fuller



# Example: Price/Earnings Ratio

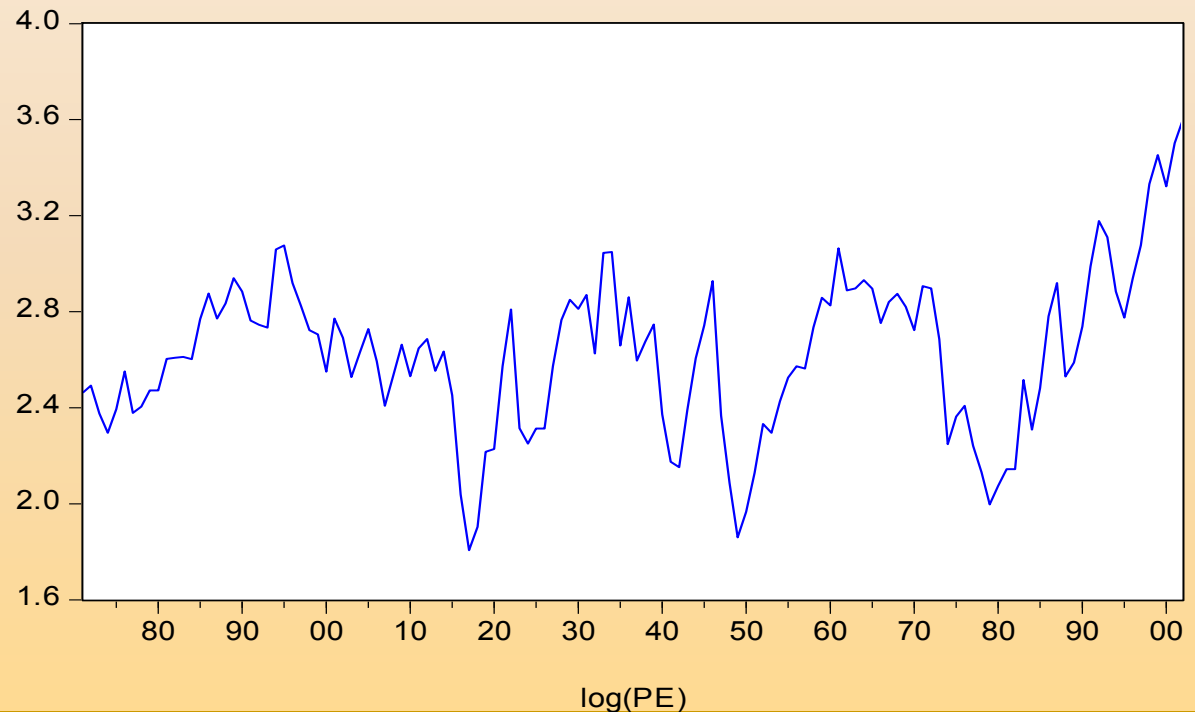
Verbeek's data set PE: annual time series data on composite stock price and earnings indices of the S&P500, 1871-2002

## ■ PE: price/earnings ratio

- Mean 14.6
- Min 6.1
- Max 36.7
- St.Dev. 5.1

## ■ $\log(\text{PE})$

- Mean 2.63
- Min 1.81
- Max 3.60
- St.Dev. 0.33



# Price/Earnings Ratio, cont'd

Fitting an AR(1) process to the log(PE) data gives:

$$\Delta Y_t = 0.335 - 0.125 Y_{t-1}$$

with  $t$ -statistic -2.569 (for  $Y_{t-1}$ ) and  $p$ -value 0.1021

- $p$ -value of the DF statistic (-2.569): 0.102
  - 1% critical value: -3.48
  - 5% critical value: -2.88
  - 10% critical value: -2.58
- $H_0: \theta = 1$  (non-stationarity) cannot be rejected for log(PE)

Unit root test for first differences:  $\Delta\Delta Y_t = 0.008 - 0.935\Delta Y_{t-1}$ , DF statistic -10.59,  $p$ -value 0.000 (1% critical value: -3.48)

- log(PE) is  $I(1)$

However: for sample 1871-1990: DF statistic -3.65,  $p$ -value 0.006; within the period 1871-1990, log(PE) is stationary

# Unit Root Test: Extensions

DF test so far for a model with intercept:  $\Delta Y_t = \delta + \pi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

Tests for alternative or extended models

- DF test for model without intercept:  $\Delta Y_t = \pi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$
- DF test for model with intercept and trend:  $\Delta Y_t = \delta + \gamma t + \pi Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$

DF tests in all cases  $H_0: \pi = 0$  against  $H_1: \pi < 0$

Test statistic in all cases

$$DF_{\text{test}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\hat{\sigma}_e}$$

Critical values depend on cases; cf. Table on slide 47

# KPSS Test

Process  $Y_t = \beta t + (r_t + \alpha) + \varepsilon_t$ , with deterministic time trend  $\beta t$ , a random walk  $r_t = r_{t-1} + u_t$  with white noise  $u_t$  with variance  $\sigma_u^2$ ,  $r_0 = \alpha$  serving as intercept, and white noise error term  $\varepsilon_t$

- Test of  $H_0: \sigma_u^2 = 0$ , i.e.,  $Y_t$  is trend stationary, or  $Y_t - \beta t$  is stationary, against  $H_1: \sigma_u^2 > 0$
- $H_0$  implies a unit moving average root in the ARMA representation of  $\Delta Y_t$
- KPSS (Kwiatkowski, Phillips, Schmidt, Shin) test statistic

$$KPSS = \sum$$

with  $S_t = \sum_{i=1}^t e_i$  and the variance estimate  $s^2$  of the residuals  $e_t$  from the regression  $Y_t = \delta + \beta t + \varepsilon_t$

- Reject  $H_0$  for large values of KPSS
- Critical values from Monte Carlo simulations

# ADF Test

Extended model according to an AR( $p$ ) process:

$$\Delta Y_t = \delta + \pi Y_{t-1} + \beta_1 \Delta Y_{t-1} + \dots + \beta_p \Delta Y_{t-p+1} + \varepsilon_t$$

Example: AR(2) process  $Y_t = \delta + \theta_1 Y_{t-1} + \theta_2 Y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$  can be written as

$$\Delta Y_t = \delta + (\theta_1 + \theta_2 - 1) Y_{t-1} - \theta_2 \Delta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

the characteristic equation  $(1 - \phi_1 L)(1 - \phi_2 L) = 0$  has roots  $\theta_1 = \phi_1 + \phi_2$  and  $\theta_2 = -\phi_1 \phi_2$

a unit root implies  $\phi_1 = \theta_1 + \theta_2 = 1$ :

Augmented DF (ADF) test

- Test of  $H_0: \pi = 0$ , i.e.,  $Y \sim I(1)$ , against  $H_1: \pi < 0$
- For choice of  $p$ : information criterion, e.g, AIC
- Extensions (intercept, trend) similar to the DF-test
- Phillips-Perron test: alternative method; uses HAC-corrected standard errors

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# ADF-GLS Test

Variant of the Dickey–Fuller test

The variable to be tested is assumed to have

- a non-zero mean or
- a linear trend

De-meaning or de-trending

- GLS procedure suggested by Elliott, Rothenberg and Stock (1996)

ADF-GLS test has higher power than the ADF test

# Price/Earnings Ratio, cont'd

Extended model according to an AR(2) process gives:

$$\Delta Y_t = 0.366 - 0.136 Y_{t-1} + 0.152 \Delta Y_{t-1} - 0.093 \Delta Y_{t-2}$$

with  $t$ -statistics  $-2.487$  ( $Y_{t-1}$ ),  $1.667$  ( $\Delta Y_{t-1}$ ) and  $-1.007$  ( $\Delta Y_{t-2}$ ) and  $p$ -values  $0.014$ ,  $0.098$  and  $0.316$

- $p$ -value of the DF statistic ( $-2.487$ ):  $0.119$

- 1% critical value:  $-3.48$

- 5% critical value:  $-2.88$

- 10% critical value:  $-2.58$

- Non-stationarity cannot be rejected for  $\log(\text{PE})$

Unit root test for first differences: DF statistic  $-7.31$ ,  $p$ -value  $0.000$  (1% critical value:  $-3.48$ )

- $\log(\text{PE})$  is  $I(1)$

However: for sample 1871-1990: DF statistic  $-3.52$ ,  $p$ -value  $0.009$

# Unit Root Tests in GRET

For marked variable:

- Variable > Unit root tests > Augmented Dickey-Fuller test

Performs the

- DF test (choose zero for “Lag order for ADF test”) or the
- ADL test
- with or without constant, trend, squared trend

- Variable > Unit root tests > ADF-GLS test

Performs the

- DF test (choose zero for “Lag order for ADF test”) or the
- ADL test
- De-meaning or de-trending using GLS

- Variable > Unit root tests > KPSS test

Performs the KPSS test with or without a trend



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# ARMA Models: Application

Application of the ARMA( $p,q$ ) model in data analysis: Three steps

1. Model specification, i.e., choice of  $p$ ,  $q$  (and  $d$  if an ARIMA model is specified)
2. Parameter estimation
3. Diagnostic checking

# Estimation of ARMA Models

The estimation methods

- OLS estimation
- ML estimation

AR models:  $Y_t = \delta + \theta_1 Y_{t-1} + \theta_2 Y_{t-2} + \dots + \theta_p Y_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t$

- Explanatory variables are lagged values of the explained variable
- Uncorrelated with error term
- OLS estimation gives consistent estimators

# MA Models: OLS Estimation

## MA models

- Minimization of sum of squared deviations is not straightforward
- E.g., for an MA(1) model,  $S(\mu, \alpha) = \sum_t [Y_t - \mu - \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-\alpha)^j (Y_{t-j-1} - \mu)]^2$ 
  - $S(\mu, \alpha)$  is a nonlinear function of parameters
  - Needs  $Y_{t-j-1}$  for  $j=0, 1, \dots$ , i.e., historical  $Y_s$ ,  $s < 0$
- Approximate solution from minimization of
$$S^*(\mu, \alpha) = \sum_t [Y_t - \mu - \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{t-2} (-\alpha)^j (Y_{t-j-1} - \mu)]^2$$
- Nonlinear minimization, grid search (over  $-1 < \alpha < 1$ )
- Estimators for  $\mu$  and  $\alpha$ : consistent and asymptotically normal

ARMA models combine AR part with MA part

# ML Estimation

Assumption of normally distributed  $\varepsilon_t$

Log likelihood function, conditional on initial values

$$\log L(\alpha, \theta, \mu, \sigma^2) = - [(T-1)/2] \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - (2\sigma^2)^{-1} \sum_t \varepsilon_t^2$$

$\varepsilon_t$  are functions of the parameters and of the past of  $y$

- AR(1):  $\varepsilon_t = y_t - \theta_1 y_{t-1}$
- MA(1):  $\varepsilon_t = \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} (-\alpha)^j y_{t-j}$

Initial values:  $y_1$  for AR,  $\varepsilon_0 = 0$  for MA

- Conditional (on initial values) ML estimators: identical to OLS estimators
- Extension to exact ML estimator
- Again, estimation for AR models easier
- ARMA models combine AR part with MA part
- Approximation of MA- and ARMA-model by AR model of high order

# Model Specification

Based on estimates of

- Autocorrelation function (ACF)
- Partial Autocorrelation function (PACF)

Structure of AC and PAC functions typical for AR and MA processes

Example:

- MA(1) process:  $\rho_0 = 1$ ,  $\rho_1 = \alpha/(1-\alpha^2)$ ;  $\rho_i = 0$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \dots$ ;  $\theta_{kk} = \alpha^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
- AR(1) process:  $\rho_k = \theta^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ ;  $\theta_{00} = 1$ ,  $\theta_{11} = \theta$ ,  $\theta_{kk} = 0$  for  $k > 1$

Empirical ACF and PACF give indications on the process underlying the time series

# ARMA( $p,q$ )-Processes

Condition for	<b>AR(<math>p</math>)</b> $\theta(L)Y_t = \varepsilon_t$	<b>MA(<math>q</math>)</b> $Y_t = \alpha(L) \varepsilon_t$	<b>ARMA(<math>p,q</math>)</b> $\theta(L)Y_t = \alpha(L) \varepsilon_t$
<b>Stationarity</b>	roots $z_i$ of $\theta(z)=0$ : $ z_i  > 1$	always stationary	roots $z_i$ of $\theta(z)=0$ : $ z_i  > 1$
Invertibility	always invertible	roots $z_i$ of $\alpha(z)=0$ : $ z_i  > 1$	roots $z_i$ of $\alpha(z)=0$ : $ z_i  > 1$
<b>AC function</b>	damped, infinite	$\rho_k = 0$ for $k > q$	damped, infinite
<b>PAC function</b>	$\theta_{kk} = 0$ for $k > p$	damped, infinite	damped, infinite

# Estimated AC and PAC Functions

Estimation of the AC and PAC functions

AC  $\rho_k$ :

$$r_k = \frac{\sum_{t=k+1}^T (y_t - \bar{y})(y_{t-k} - \bar{y})}{\sum_{t=1}^T (y_t - \bar{y})^2}$$

PAC  $\theta_{kk}$ : coefficient of  $Y_{t-k}$  in regression of  $Y_t$  on  $Y_{t-1}, \dots, Y_{t-k}$

MA( $q$ ) process: standard errors for  $r_k$ ,  $k > q$ , from

$$\sqrt{T}(r_k - \rho_k) \rightarrow N(0, v_k)$$

$$\text{with } v_k = 1 + 2\rho_1^2 + \dots + 2\rho_k^2$$

- test of  $H_0: \rho_1 = 0$ , i.e., model is MA(0): compare  $\sqrt{T}r_1$  with critical value from  $N(0, 1)$ , etc.

AR( $p$ ) process: test of  $H_0: \rho_k = 0$  for  $k > p$  based on asymptotic distribution

$$\sqrt{T}r_k \rightarrow N(0, 1)$$



# Diagnostic Checking

ARMA( $p, q$ ): Adequacy of choices  $p$  and  $q$

Analysis of residuals from fitted model:

- Correct specification: residuals are realizations of white noise
- Box-Ljung Portmanteau test: for a ARMA( $p, q$ ) process

$$Q_K = T(T+2) \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{T-k} r_k^2$$

follows the Chi-squared distribution with  $K-p-q$  *df*

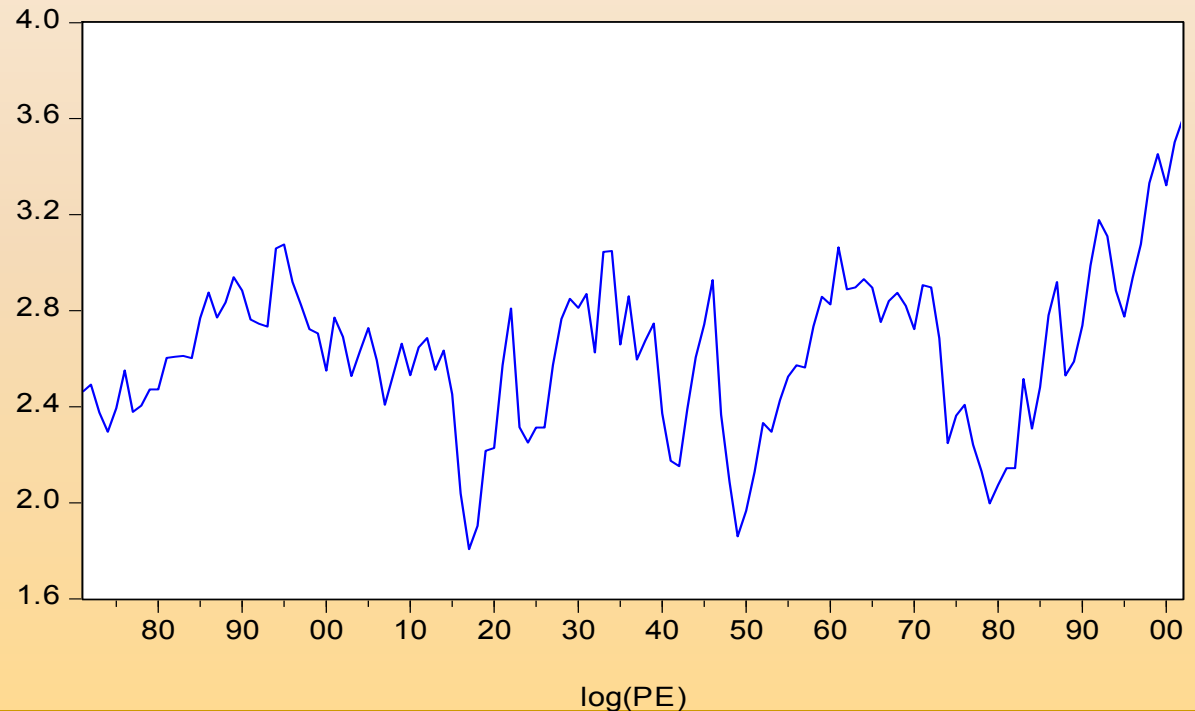
Overfitting

- Starting point: a model chosen based on sample AC and PAC functions
- Comparison with a model with further parameters: test significance of the additional parameters

# Example: Price/Earnings Ratio

Data set PE: PE = price/earnings

- $\log(\text{PE})$ 
  - Mean 2.63
  - Min 1.81
  - Max 3.60
  - Std 0.33
- $\log(\text{PE}) \sim I(1)$



# PE Ratio: AC and PAC Function

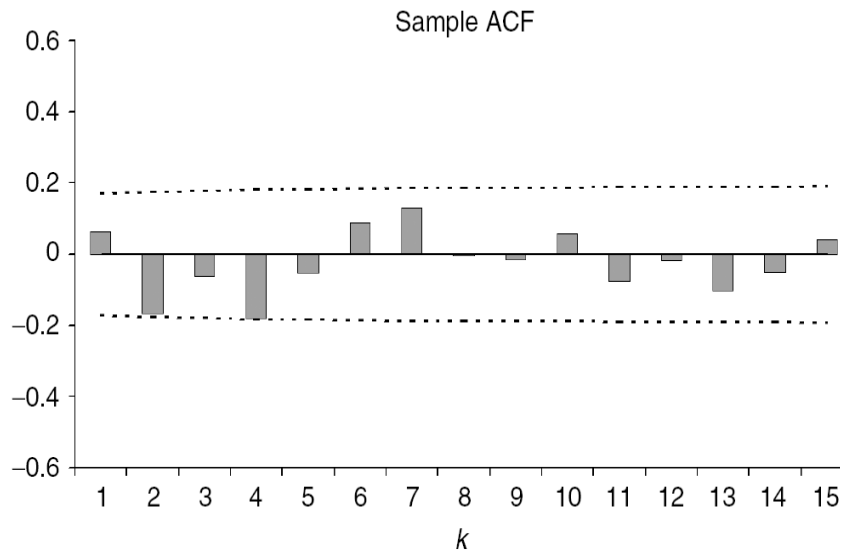


Figure 8.7 Sample autocorrelation function of  $\log(P/E)$

Sample ACF and PACF of  $\log(PE_t)$ ,  
the relative change of  $PE_t$ ,

At level 0.05, significant values are

- ACF:  $k = 4$
- PACF:  $k = 2, 4$

possibly MA(4) ( $ACF_k = 0$  if  $k > 4$ ) or AR(4)

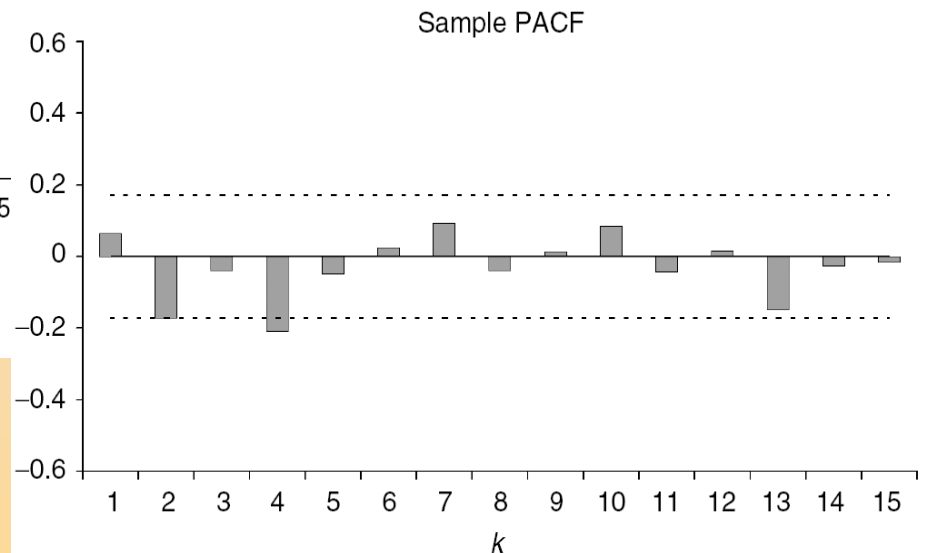


Figure 8.8 Sample partial autocorrelation function of  $\log(P/E)$

# PE Ratio: MA (4) Model

MA(4) model for differences  $\Delta y_t = \Delta \log(\text{PE}_t) = \log(\text{PE}_t) - \log(\text{PE}_{t-1})$ , LOGPE = log(PE)

Function evaluations: 37  
Evaluations of gradient: 11

Model 2: ARMA, using observations 1872-2002 (T = 131)  
Estimated using Kalman filter (exact ML)  
Dependent variable: d\_LOGPE  
Standard errors based on Hessian

	coefficient	std. error	t-ratio	p-value
const	0,00804276	0,0104120	0,7725	0,4398
theta_1	0,0478900	0,0864653	0,5539	0,5797
theta_2	-0,187566	0,0913502	-2,053	0,0400 **
theta_3	-0,0400834	0,0819391	-0,4892	0,6247
theta_4	-0,146218	0,0915800	-1,597	0,1104
Mean dependent var	0,008716	S.D. dependent var	0,181506	
Mean of innovations	-0,000308	S.D. of innovations	0,174545	
Log-likelihood	42,69439	Akaike criterion	-73,38877	
Schwarz criterion	-56,13759	Hannan-Quinn	-66,37884	

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Standard errors based on Hessian

	coefficient	std. error	t-ratio	p-value
const	0,00842210	0,0111324	0,7565	0,4493
phi_1	0,0601061	0,0851737	0,7057	0,4804
phi_2	-0,202907	0,0856482	-2,369	0,0178 **
phi_3	-0,0228251	0,0853236	-0,2675	0,7891
phi_4	-0,206655	0,0850843	-2,429	0,0151 **
Mean dependent var	0,008716	S.D. dependent var	0,181506	
Mean of innovations	-0,000315	S.D. of innovations	0,173633	
Log-likelihood	43,35448	Akaike criterion	-74,70896	
Schwarz criterion	-57,45778	Hannan-Quinn	-67,69903	

# PE Ratio: Various Models

Diagnostics for various competing models:  $\Delta y_t = \log(\text{PE}_t) - \log(\text{PE}_{t-1})$

Best fit for

- BIC: MA(2) model  $\Delta y_t = 0.008 + e_t - 0.250 e_{t-2}$
- AIC: AR(2,4) model  $\Delta y_t = 0.008 - 0.202 \Delta y_{t-2} - 0.211 \Delta y_{t-4} + e_t$

Model	Lags	AIC	BIC	$Q_{12}$	$p$ -value
MA(4)	1-4	-73.389	-56.138	5.03	0.957
AR(4)	1-4	-74.709	-57.458	3.74	0.988
MA	2, 4	-76.940	-65.440	5.48	0.940
AR	2, 4	<b>-78.057</b>	-66.556	4.05	0.982
MA	2	-76.072	<b>-67.447</b>	9.30	0.677
AR	2	-73.994	-65.368	12.12	0.436

# Time Series Models in GRET

Variable > Unit root tests > (a) Augmented Dickey-Fuller test, (b) ADF-GLS test, (c) KPSS test

- a) DF test or ADF test with or without constant, trend and squared trend
- b) DF test or ADF test with or without trend, GLS estimation for de-meaning and de-trending
- c) KPSS (Kwiatkowski, Phillips, Schmidt, Shin) test

Model > Time Series > ARIMA

- Estimates an ARMA model, with or without exogenous regressors

# Your Homework

1. Use Greene's data set `GREENE18_1` (Corporate bond yields, 1990:01 to 1994:12) and answer the following questions for the variable *YIELD* (yield on Moody's Aaa rated corporate bond).
  - a) Using the model-statement "Ordinary Least Squares ..." in Gretl, (i) regress  $\Delta YIELD$  on  $YIELD_{-1}$  and an intercept and compute the DF test statistics for a unit root. What do you conclude (ii) about the presence of a unit root, about stationarity of *YIELD*?
  - b) Produce a time series plot of *YIELD*. Interpret the graph in view of the results of a).
  - c) Using Gretl, conduct ADF tests including (i) without and (ii) with a linear trend, and (iii) with seasonal dummies. What do you conclude about the presence of a unit root? Compare the results with those of a).
  - d) Transform *YIELD* into its first differences  $d\_YIELD$ . Repeat c) for the differences. What do you conclude?



# Your Homework

- e) Determine the sample ACF and PACF for *YIELD*. What orders of the ARMA model for *YIELD* is suggested by these graphs?
  - f) Estimate (i) an AR(1)- and (ii) an AR(2)-model for *YIELD*; (ii) test for autocorrelation in the residuals of the two models. What do you conclude?
2. For the random walk with trend  $Y_t = \delta + Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ , show that (a)  $V\{Y_t\} = \sigma^2 t$ , and (b)  $\text{Corr}\{Y_t, Y_{t-k}\} = \sqrt{(1-k/t)}$ .
3. For the AR(1) process  $Y_t = \theta Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$  with white noise  $\varepsilon_t$ , show that (a) the ACF is  $\rho_k = \theta^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , and that (b) the PACF is  $\theta_{00} = 1$ ,  $\theta_{11} = \theta$ ,  $\theta_{kk} = 0$  for  $k > 1$ .