

Figure 1-1
The Australian red wine
sales, Jan. '80 – Oct. '91.

frequency : 1 month

$t = 1, \dots, T$ where $T = 124$

unit of measurement : 1 kiloliter

TREND : YES, upward, linear

seasonality : YES : peak in July
trough in January

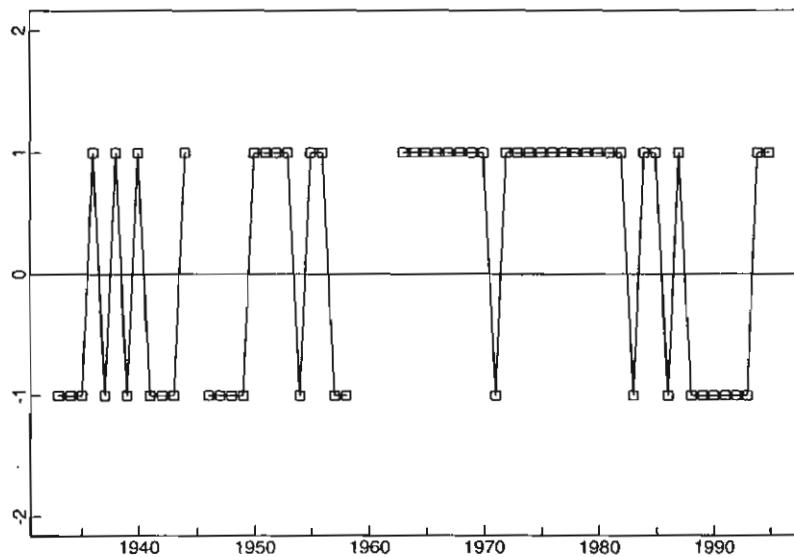


Figure 1-2
Results of the
all-star baseball
games, 1933–1995.

This is a series with only two possible values, ± 1 . It also has some missing values, since no game was played in 1945, and two games were scheduled for each of the years 1959–1962. \square

All-star baseball games, 1933–1995

Figure 1.2 shows the results of the all-star games by plotting x_t , where

$$x_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the National League won in year } t, \\ -1 & \text{if the American League won in year } t. \end{cases}$$

frequency: not constant in the sampling period! data sampled at unequal intervals

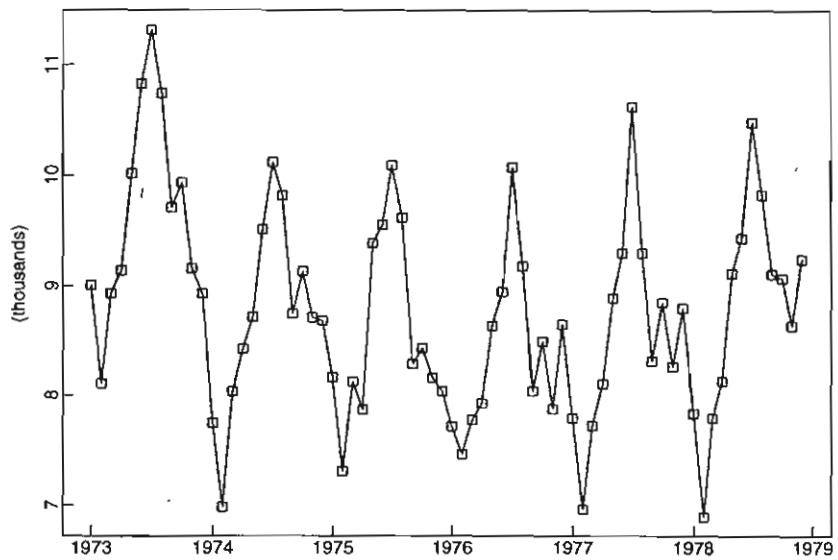


Figure 1-3
The monthly accidental deaths data, 1973–1978.

frequency : 1 month

TREND : No

SEASONALITY: YES, peak in July
trough in February

frequency:
10 years

TREND : YES
nonlinear - expo
or quadratic

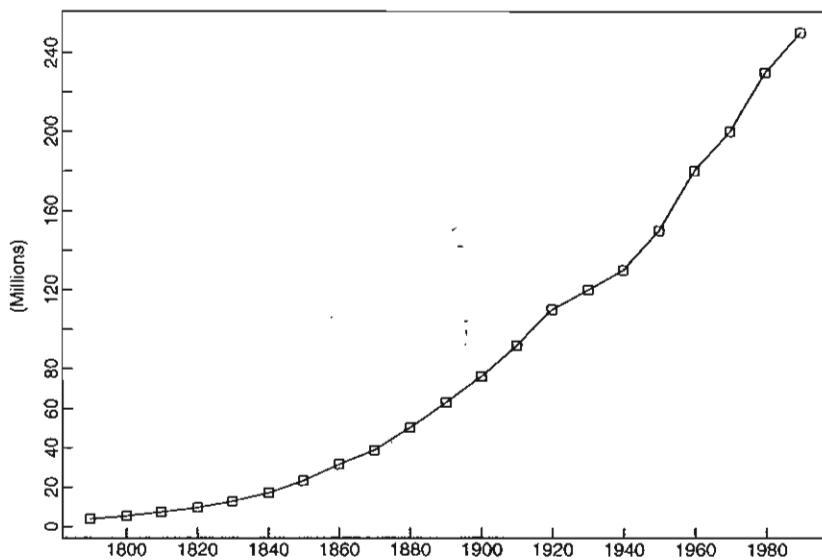


Figure 1-5
Population of the
U.S.A. at ten-year
intervals, 1790–1990.

frequency:
1 year

LOCAL TREND

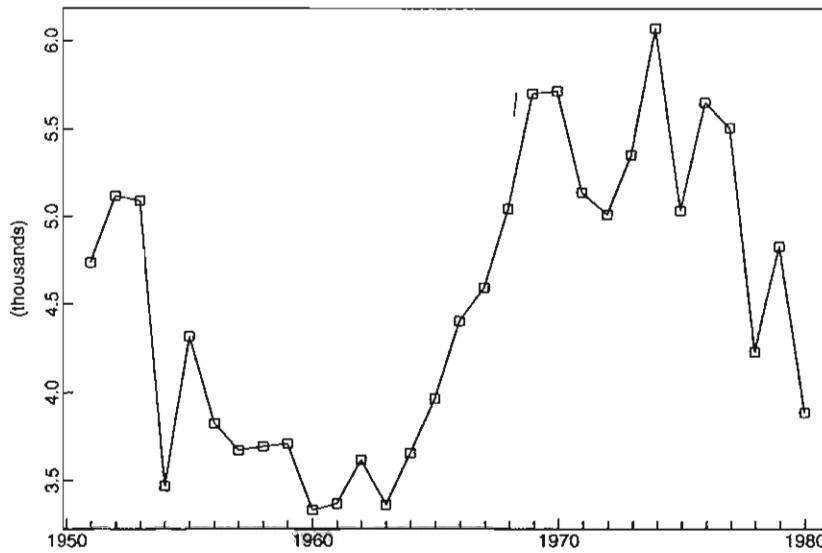


Figure 1-6
Strikes in the
U.S.A., 1951–1980.

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WHITE NOISE :

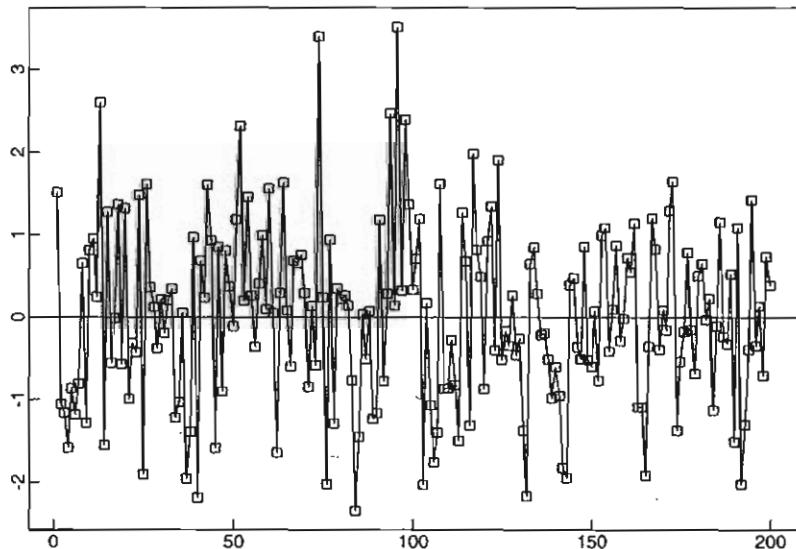


Figure 1-12
200 simulated values
of iid $N(0,1)$ noise.

TO MODEL A TIME SERIES, WE NEED TO REMOVE
THE TREND AND SEASONALITY

• Suppose $X_t = m_t + y_t$

m_t : trend

y_t : a constant mean component

trend m_t can be a linear function of time

$$\text{ex } m_t = a_0 + a_1 t$$

$$X_t = a_0 + a_1 t + y_t, \quad t=1, 2, \dots, T$$

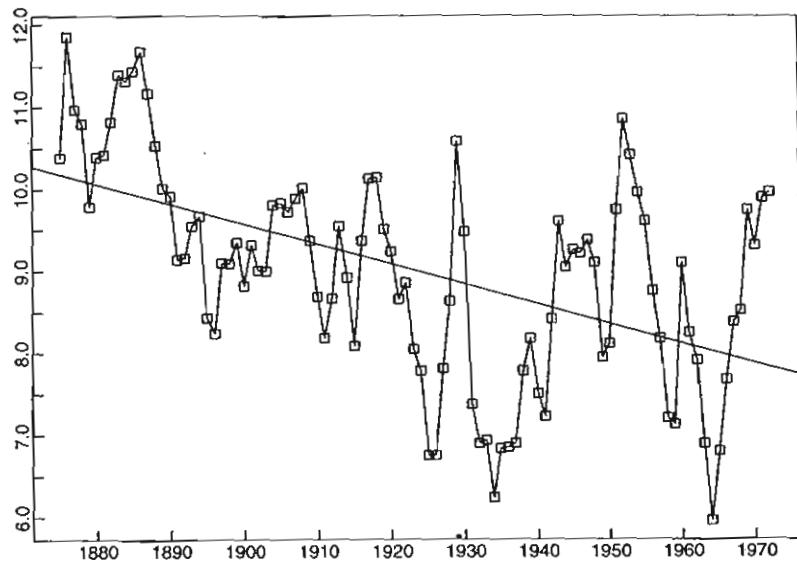


Figure 1-9
Level of Lake Huron
1875–1972 showing the
line fitted by least squares.

regress by OLS X_t on a constant and t :

$$X_t = 10.202 + (-0.0242) \cdot t + \hat{Y}_t$$

the residual \hat{Y}_t is a stationary component:

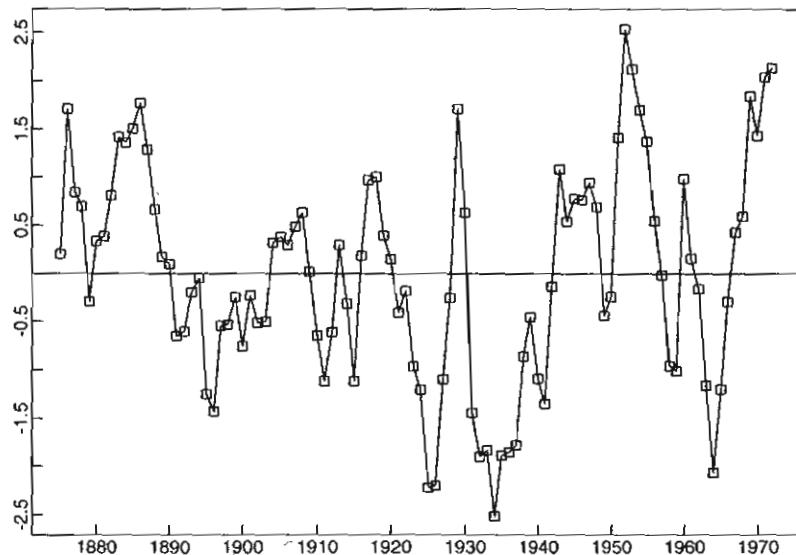


Figure 1-10
Residuals from fitting a
line to the Lake Huron
data in Figure 1.9.

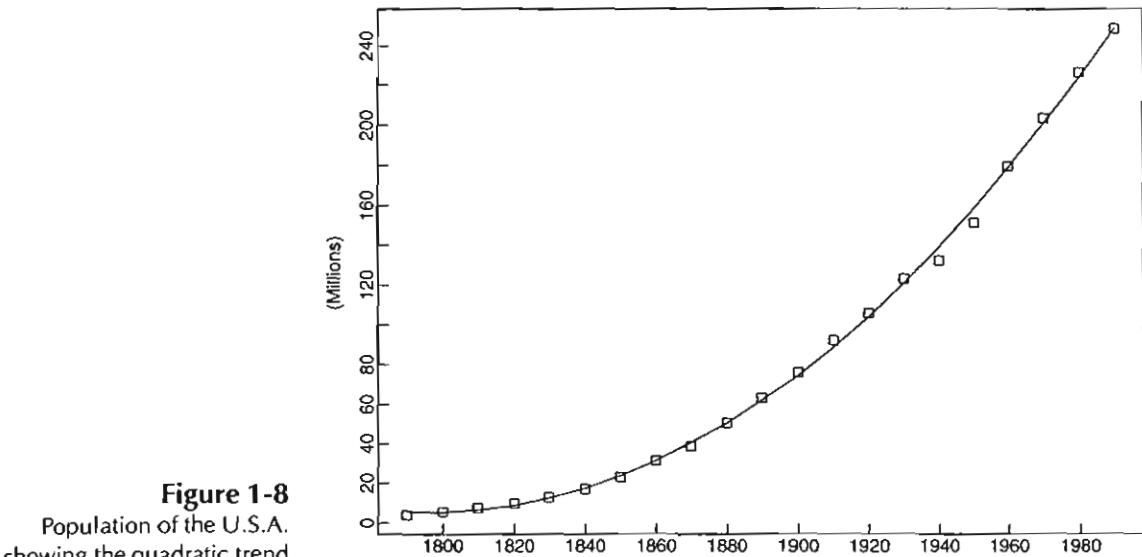


Figure 1-8

Population of the U.S.A.
showing the quadratic trend
fitted by least squares.

$$x_t = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \epsilon_t$$

OLS estimation \Rightarrow

$$\hat{x}_t = 6.95 \cdot 10^6 + (-2.15 \cdot 10^6) t + (6.5 \cdot 10^5) t^2$$

- suppose $\{x_t\}$ is a time series with finite variance.
we define

the mean $M_t = E(x_t)$

the covariance function

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(t+h, t) &= \text{cov}(x_{t+h}, x_t) \\ &= E[(x_{t+h} - M_{t+h})(x_t - M_t)] \end{aligned}$$

STATIONARITY

X_t is (WEAKLY) STATIONARY IF

(a) the mean is time invariant

$$\mu_t = \mu \quad \text{for all } t$$

(b) the covariance depends on the time between two realisations:

$$\gamma(t+h, t) = \gamma(h)$$

 $\Rightarrow \gamma(0) = \text{variance of } X_t$

+ the variance is time invariant too

- serial (temporal) dependence
- memory

autocorrelation function

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

unit free
comparable

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BASIC DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS FOR TIME SERIES:

- the mean is estimated from

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T x_t$$

- the sample autocovariance

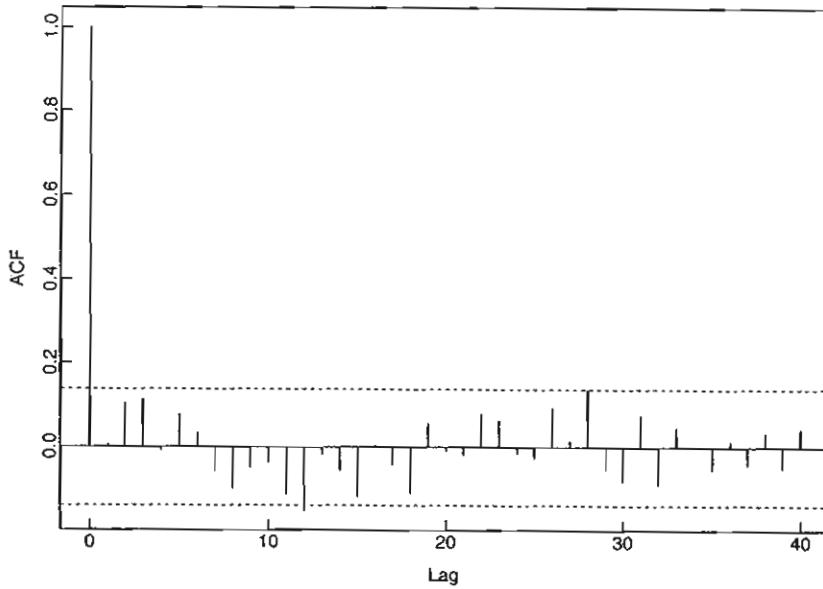
$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T-h} (x_{t+h} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x})$$

- the sample variance

$$\hat{\gamma}(0) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (x_t - \bar{x})^2$$

- the sample ACF (autocorrelation function)

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

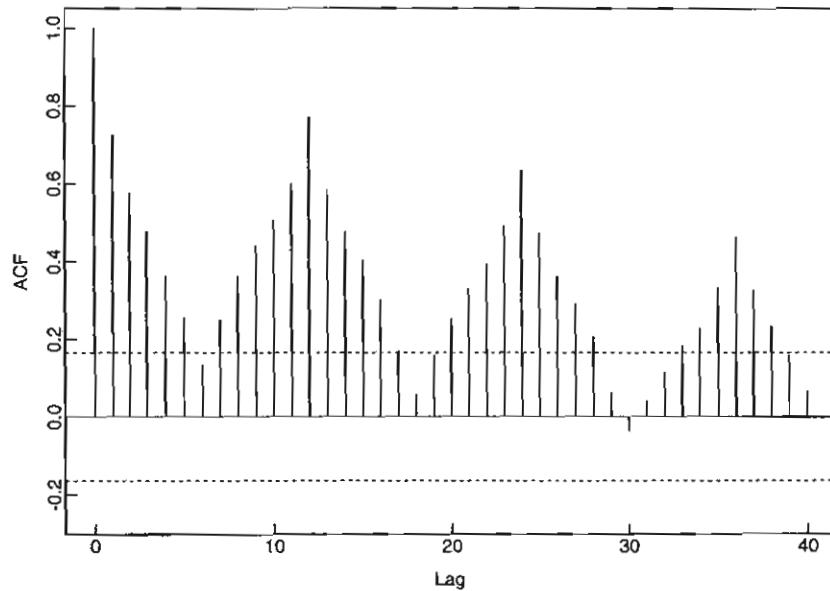
**Figure 1-13**

The sample autocorrelation function for the data of Figure 1.12 showing the bounds $\pm 1.96/\sqrt{n}$.

white
noise

"no memory" all autocorrelations statistically = 0

1.4 Stationary Models and the Autocorrelation Function

**Figure 1-14**

The sample autocorrelation function for the Australian red wine sales showing the bounds $\pm 1.96/\sqrt{n}$.

very[!] long memory with periodic patterns

OTHER METHODS OF TREND ELIMINATION

- moving average filter

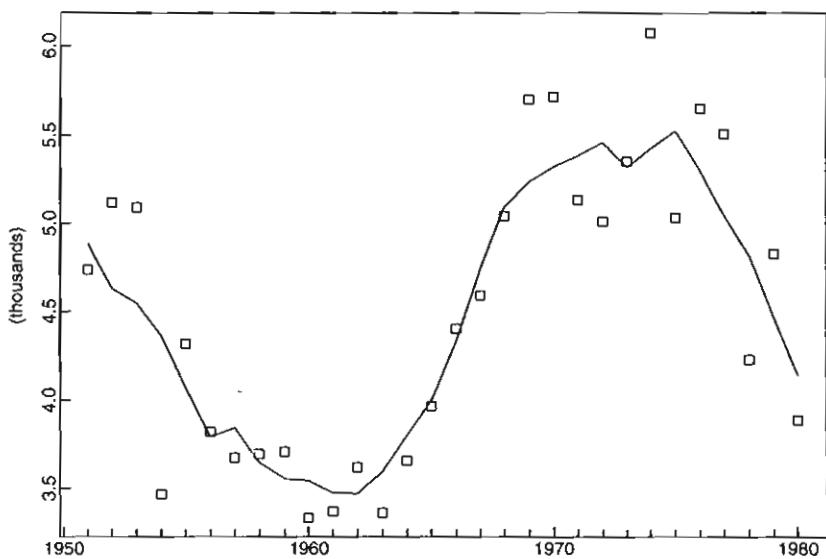


Figure 1-18
Simple 5-term moving average \hat{m}_t of the strike data from Figure 1.6.

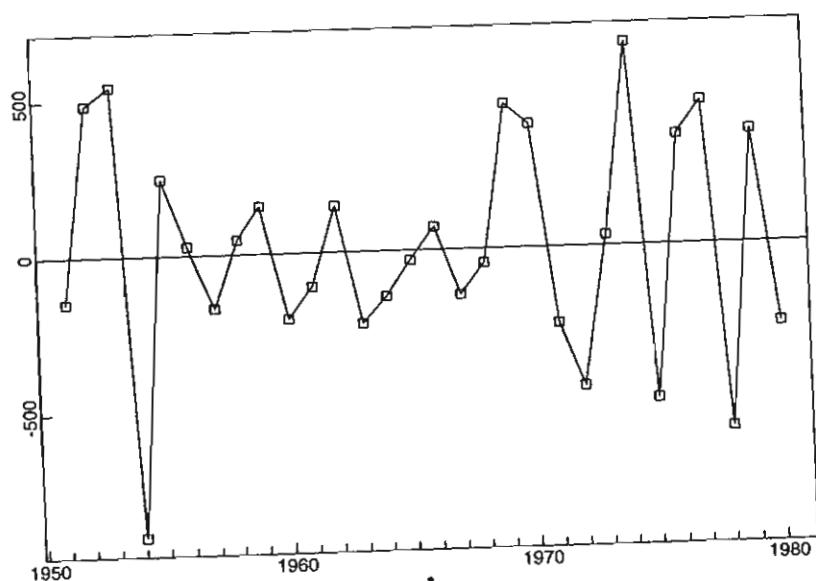


Figure 1-19
Residuals $\hat{Y}_t = X_t - \hat{m}_t$ after subtracting the 5-term moving average from the strike data

DIFFERENCING

difference operator:

$$\nabla x_t = x_t - x_{t-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 x_t &= \nabla(\nabla x_t) = \nabla(x_t - x_{t-1}) \\ &= x_t - 2x_{t-1} + x_{t-2}\end{aligned}$$

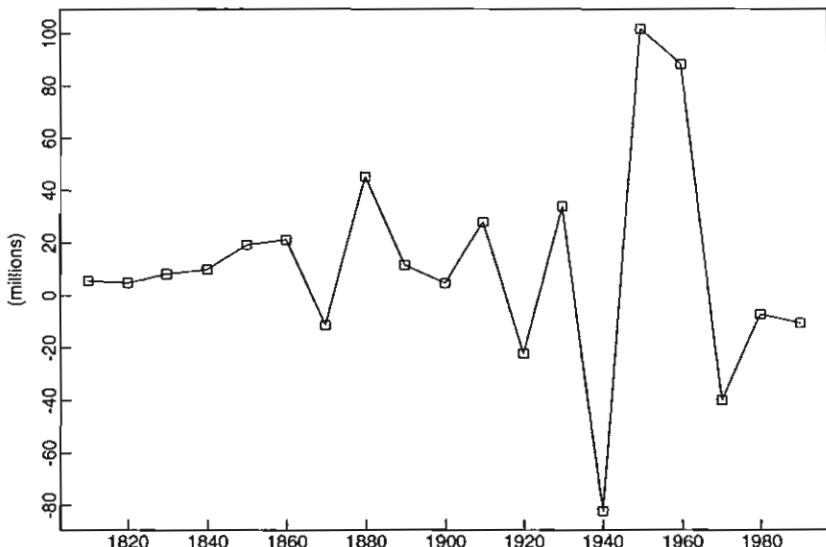


Figure 1-23

The twice-differenced series derived from the population data of Figure 1.5.

Differencing can remove BOTH TREND AND SEASONALITY:

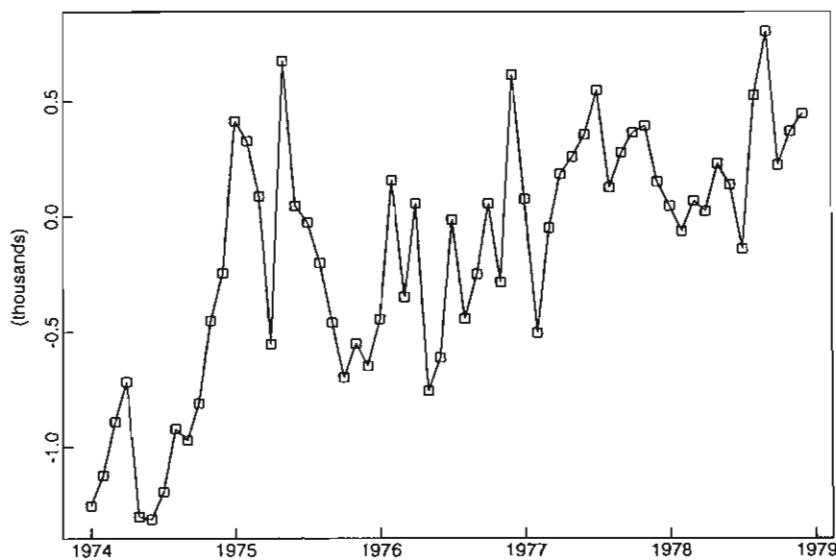


Figure 1-26
The differenced series
 $\{\nabla_{12}x_t, t = 13, \dots, 72\}$
derived from the monthly
accidental deaths
 $\{x_t, t = 1, \dots, 72\}$.

of $\nabla\nabla_{12}x_t$, $14 \leq t \leq 72$, shown in Figure 1.27, which has no apparent trend or seasonal component. In Chapter 5 we shall show that this doubly differenced series can in fact be well represented by a stationary time series model. \square

In this section we have discussed a variety of methods for estimating and/or removing trend and seasonality. The particular method chosen for any given data set will depend on a number of factors including whether or not estimates of the

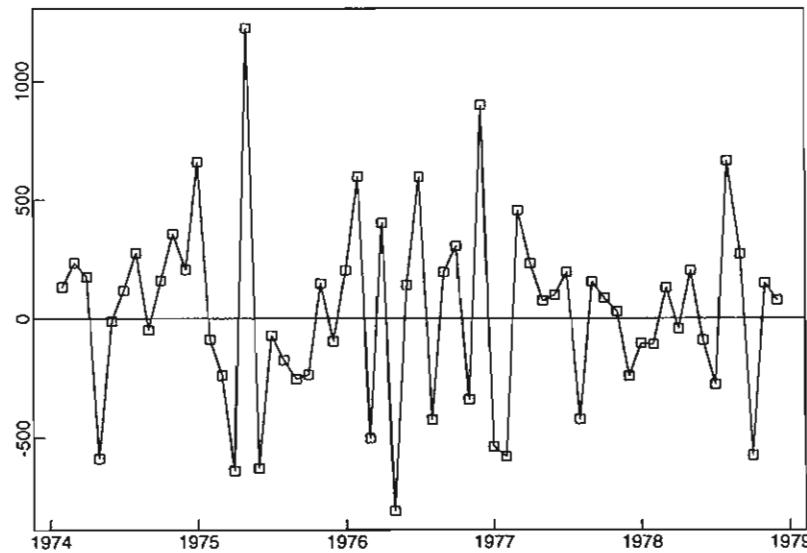


Figure 1-27
The differenced series
 $\{\nabla\nabla_{12}x_t, t = 14, \dots, 72\}$
derived from the monthly
accidental deaths
 $\{x_t, t = 1, \dots, 72\}$.

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AFTER REMOVING THE TREND AND SEASONALITY
WE OBTAIN A TIME SERIES WHICH HAS A CONSTANT
MEAN, \hat{Y}_t

- it is either a white noise process with autocorrelation at all lags $h \neq 0$ equal to 0
- it is an autocorrelated process that needs to be modelled

$$\text{ex. } \hat{Y}_t = X_t - 10.202 - (-0.0242) \cdot t$$

is still autocorrelated;

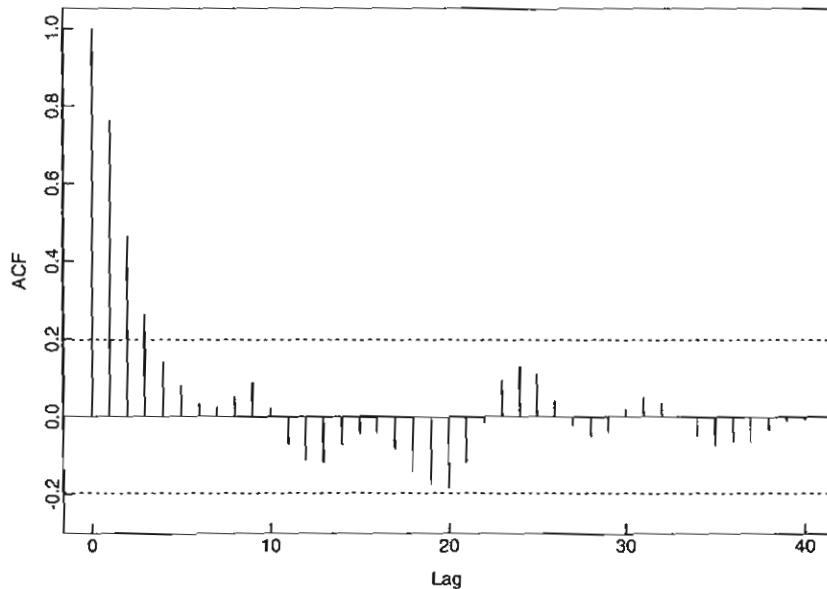


Figure 1-15
The sample autocorrelation function for the Lake Huron residuals of Figure 1.10 showing the bounds $\pm 1.96/\sqrt{n}$.

We can model it as an AR(1) process

$$Y_t = \rho Y_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

where ϵ_t is a white noise.

To do that we regress by OLS \hat{Y}_t on \hat{Y}_{t-1} , and

obtain

$$\hat{Y}_t = 0.791 \hat{Y}_{t-1} + \hat{\epsilon}_t$$

Next, we check if the ACF of $\hat{\epsilon}_t$ is zero at all lags $h \neq 0$. If not, we can try to fit an AR(2)

$$Y_t = \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \epsilon_t$$

again by regressing \hat{Y}_t on \hat{Y}_{t-1} and \hat{Y}_{t-2} by the OLS. We obtain

$$\hat{Y}_t = 1.002 \hat{Y}_{t-1} + (-0.2834) \hat{Y}_{t-2} + \hat{\epsilon}_t$$

and check if $\hat{\epsilon}_t$ is white noise.