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## Lecture Note 8 Time Series Modelling and Analysis

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# Outline

- Introduction to time series
- Stationary vs unstationary behaviours in time series data
- Autoregressive (AR) model
  - AR in MATLAB
- Autoregressive- Exogeneous (ARX) model
  - ARX in MATLAB
- Autoregressive Moving Average (ARMA) model
  - ARIMA in MATLAB

# Introduction

- Time-series data consists of a number of observations ordered in time
- Observations (measurements) are often equally spaced, e.g., by day, week, month, etc.
- Examples of time series data
  - Gross domestic product (GDP)
  - Unemployment rate
  - Oil price
  - Building temperature, etc.
- One-way ordering of time – a future value can be expressed in terms of historical values.

# Oil price hits 18-year low

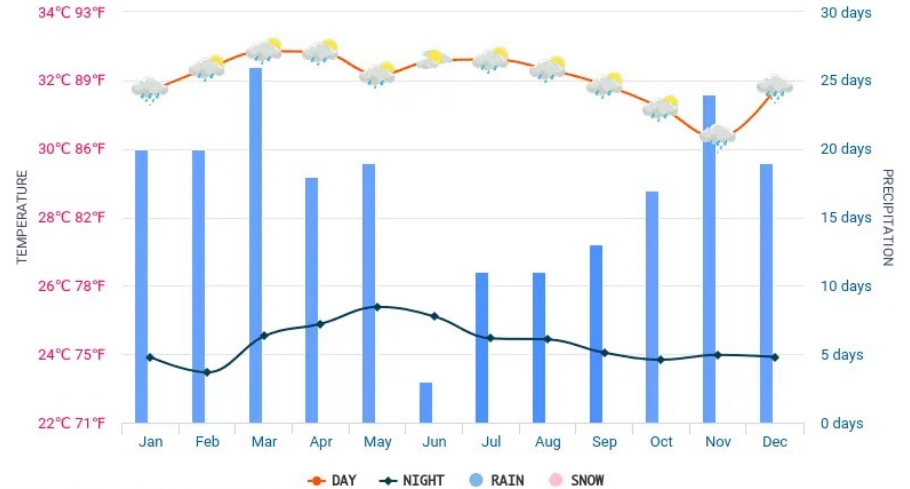
Brent crude, US dollars per barrel



Source: Bloomberg, 30 March 2020, 08:30 GMT



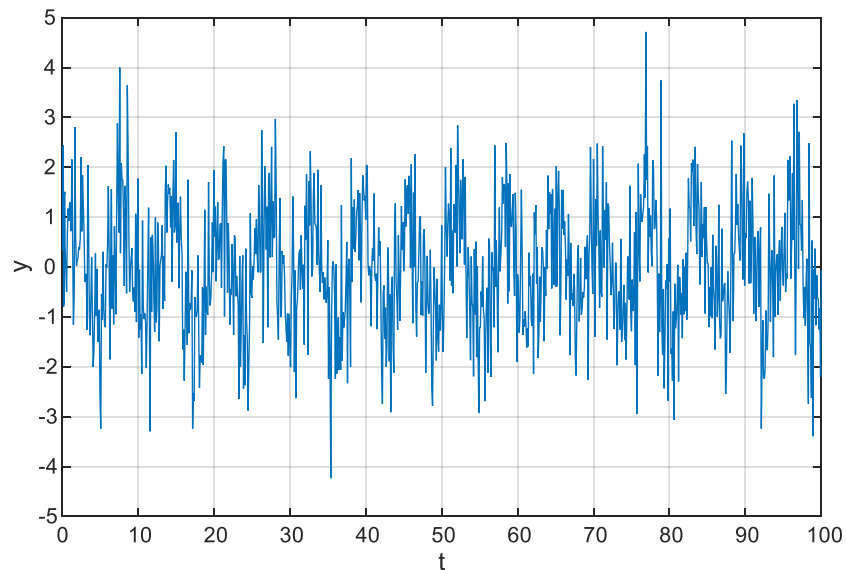
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AVERAGE MONTHLY TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION



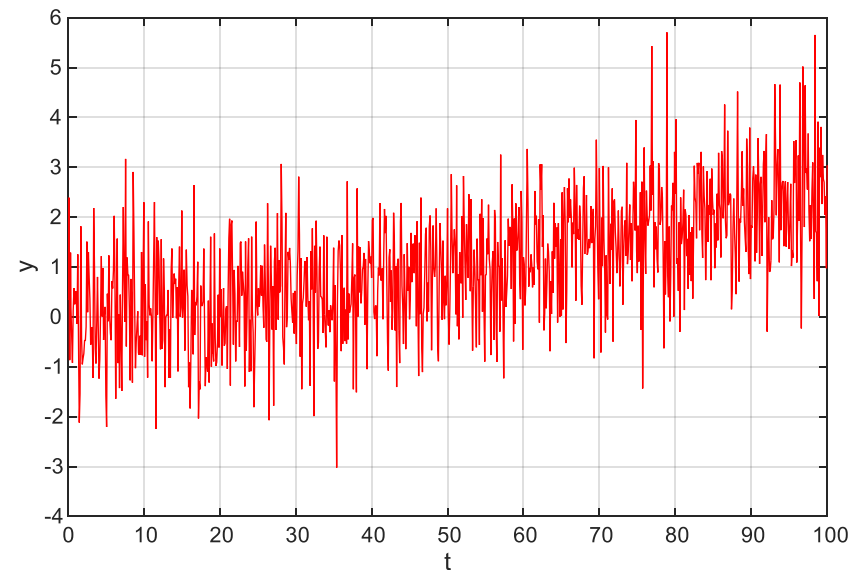
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# Stationary vs Non-stationary

- Stationary behaviour
- Mean is at zero



- Non-stationary behaviour
- Mean is varying with time

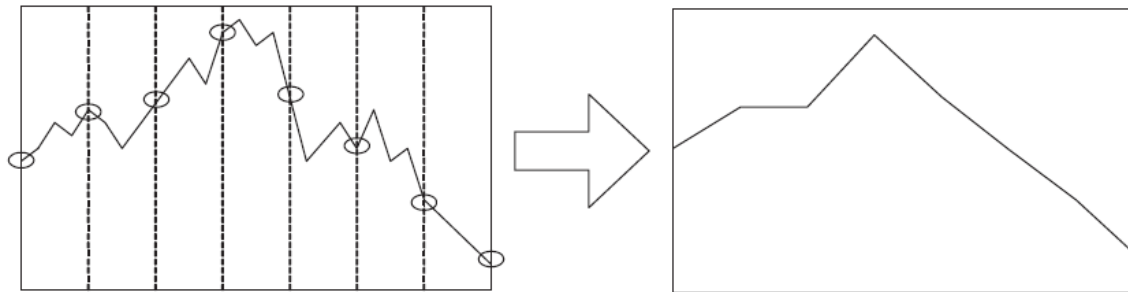


# Time series representation

- The nature of time series data includes: large in data size, high dimensionality and update continuously.
- Time series data is characterized by its numerical and continuous nature, is always considered as a whole instead of individual numerical field.
- Unlike traditional databases where similarity search is **exact match** based, **similarity** search in time series data is typically carried out in an **approximate manner**.
- The fundamental problem is **how to represent** the time series data
- Based on the time series representation, different mining tasks can be done:
  - i. Pattern discovery and clustering
  - ii. Classification
  - iii. Rule discovery
  - iv. Summarization.

# Time series representation and indexing

- One of the reasons of time series representation is to reduce the dimension (i.e., number of data points)



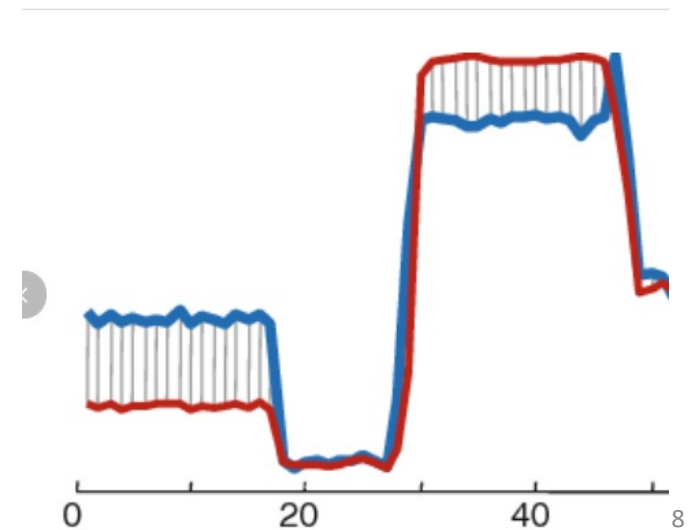
Resampling of the time series data

- Data reduction by resampling can cause distortion of the resampled data

# Similarity measure

- Similarity measure is important for a variety of time series analysis and data mining tasks
- To measure the similarity/dissimilarity between two time series, the most popular approach is to evaluate the **Euclidean distance** on the transformed representation

Euclidian distance between the two time-series is the square-root of the sum of square length of the hatch lines.





# Time series decomposition

- Goal in analysis is to **decompose a series** into a set of non-observable (latent) components which can be associated to different types of temporal variations
- Note: 17<sup>th</sup> century astronomers used time series decomposition to calculate the planetary orbits
- 4 types of fluctuations
  - i. Long-term tendency
  - ii. Cyclical movements
  - iii. Seasonal movements
  - iv. Residual variations due to, e.g., war and pandemic

# Mining in time series

- Mining is to discover ***hidden information*** or knowledge from either the original or the transformed time series data.
- Pattern discovery is the most common mining task
- The clustering method is the most commonly used in the pattern discovery
- The discovery of interesting patterns is an important data mining task that is applicable in many domains
- The discovered rules and patterns can be used to build ***forecasting models*** that are able to predict future developments

# What is Model?

- A model called ***structural*** if its parameters has natural or **structural interpretation**
  - The model can provide ***explanation*** and ***control*** of the process generating the data
- When no models are available for a data set from theory or experience, it is still possible to fit models which suffice for:
  - **Simulation** (from what has been observed, generate more data similar to that observed),
  - **Prediction** (from what has been observed, forecast the data that will be observed), and
  - **Pattern recognition** (from what has been observed, infer significant characteristics of the process generating the data such as significant time lags, significant frequencies, extractable signals, and noise)
- When a model is ***not structural*** it is called ***synthetic***, and its parameters are called ***synthetic parameters***

# Autoregression (AR) Model

- Assume the present output value depends on the past output values in discrete time
- AR model is expressed as follows

$$y_t = c + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t$$

Where  $c$  is a constant,  $\alpha_i$  is a model parameter,  $n$  is the model order, and  $\varepsilon_t$  is the white noise (or error)

- Eg., for  $p = 2$ , the corresponding AR model is

$$y_t = c + \alpha_1 y_{t-1} + \alpha_2 y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

- Value of output at  $t$  is given by the two historical values which 1 and 2 steps before the present value

# AR model with back shift operator $z^{-k}$

$$y_t = c + \alpha_1 y_{t-1} + \alpha_2 y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

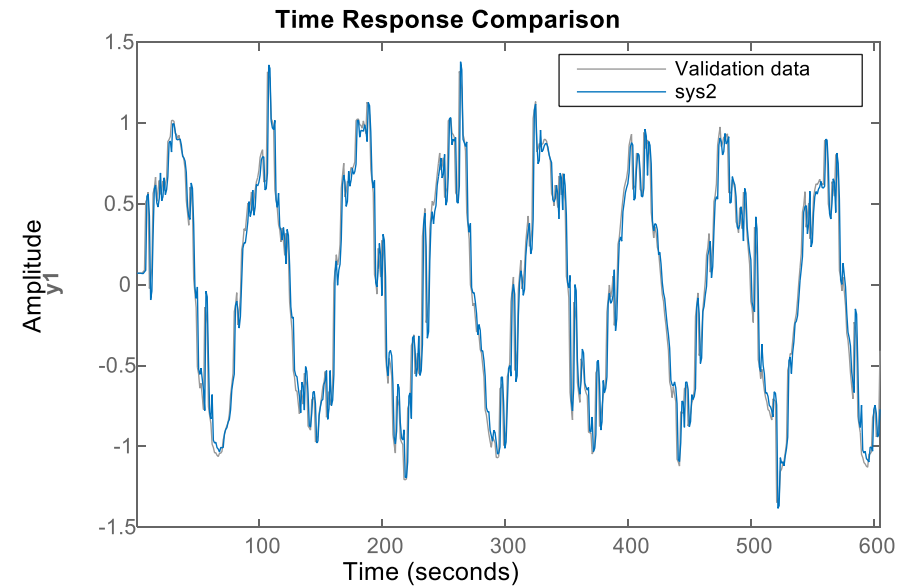
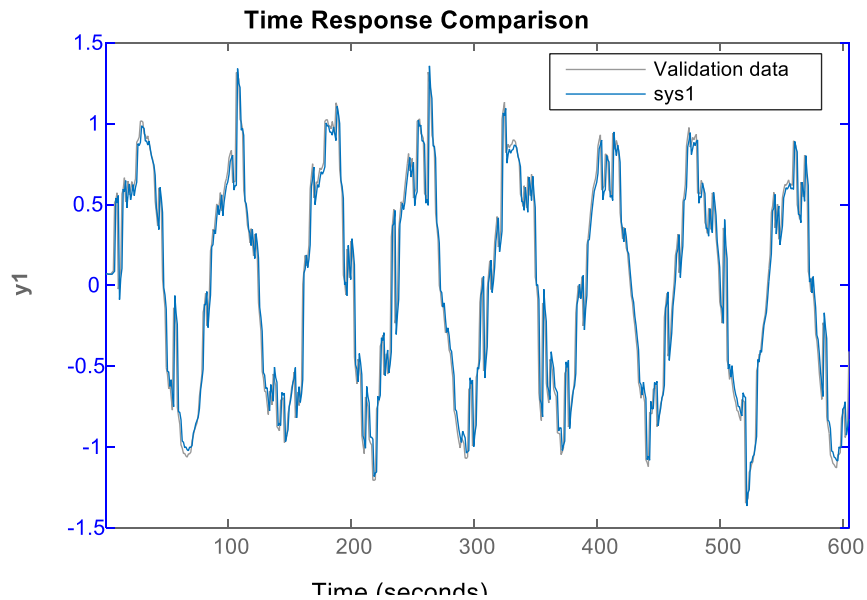
- This model can also be written as follows

$$\begin{aligned} y_t &= c + (\alpha_1 z^{-1} + \alpha_2 z^{-2}) y_t + \varepsilon_t \\ \Rightarrow (1 + \alpha_1 z^{-1} + \alpha_2 z^{-2}) y_t &= c + \varepsilon_t \\ \therefore y_t &= \frac{c + \varepsilon_t}{1 + \alpha_1 z^{-1} + \alpha_2 z^{-2}} = \frac{c + \varepsilon_t}{A(z)} \end{aligned}$$

Where  $A(z) = 1 + \alpha_1 z^{-1} + \alpha_2 z^{-2}$

- An all-pole infinite impulse response (IIR) filter driven by the white noise as input
  - Finite impulse response (FIR) system - the impulse response does become exactly zero at times  $t > T$  for some finite  $T$

# Example 1 – AR model order



- $n = 2$
- Accuracy 74%
- Model is given by
$$A(z) = 1 - 1.073z^{-1} + 0.111z^{-2}$$

- $n = 4$
- Accuracy 75%
- Model is given by
$$A(z) = 1 - 1.093z^{-1} + 0.0061z^{-2} + 0.443z^{-3} - 0.328z^{-4}$$

# Example 2 – Malaysia COVID-19 Infection

Infection Data 2020

29-Feb	25
1-Mar	29
2-Mar	29
3-Mar	36
4-Mar	50
5-Mar	55
6-Mar	83
7-Mar	93
8-Mar	99
9-Mar	117
10-Mar	129
11-Mar	149
12-Mar	158

- 1) Open Matlab
- 2) COVID-19 cumulative infection from **26/01/2020 to 30/04/2020** used to build an AR model
- 3) Check the projection using the AR model with data from **01/05/2020**
  - On Matlab Command Window, copy the data from Excel and paste into the [ ].  
Type as follows:  
`>> X = [ ]; % paste the data into the [ ], then press enter.`
  - Invoke the 'ar' built-in function in Matlab  
`>> Sys1 = ar(X,2); % n = 2`

- Type and enter as follows

```
>> Sys1
```

```
Sys1 =
```

Discrete-time AR model:  $A(z)y(t) = e(t)$

$$A(z) = 1 - 1.932 z^{-1} + 0.9322 z^{-2}$$

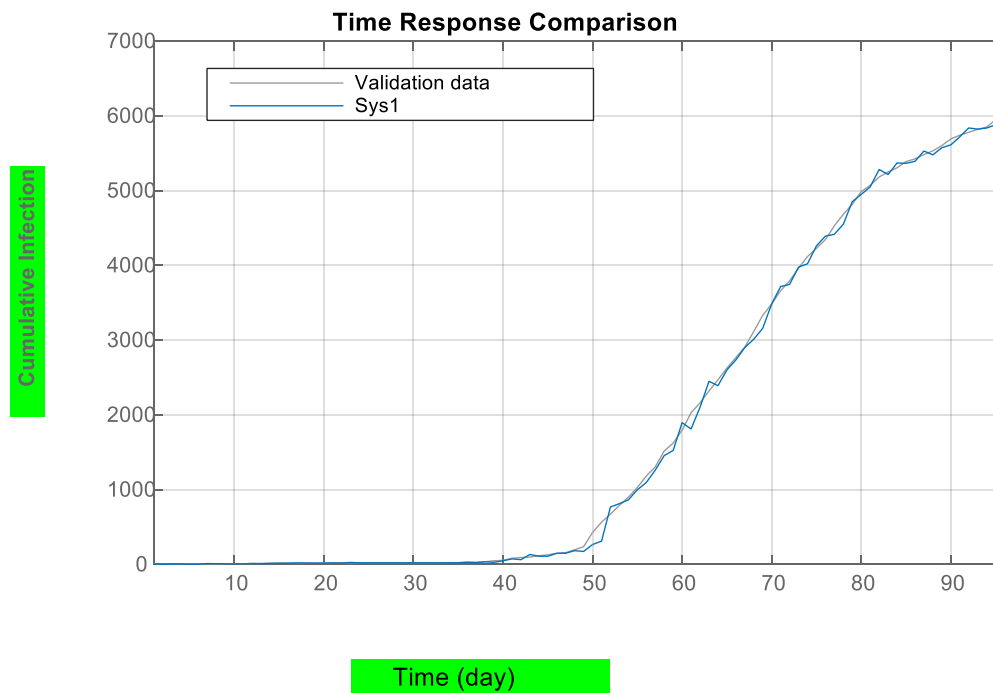
- Model is

$$A(z) = 1 - 1.932z^{-1} + 0.9322z^{-2}$$

- To compare the model and data, use the built-in 'compare' function

```
>> compare(X,Sys1,2); % M = 2 is the prediction horizon, where data up to t – M is used to predict the output of Sys1
```

# Example 2 – Malaysia COVID-19 Infection



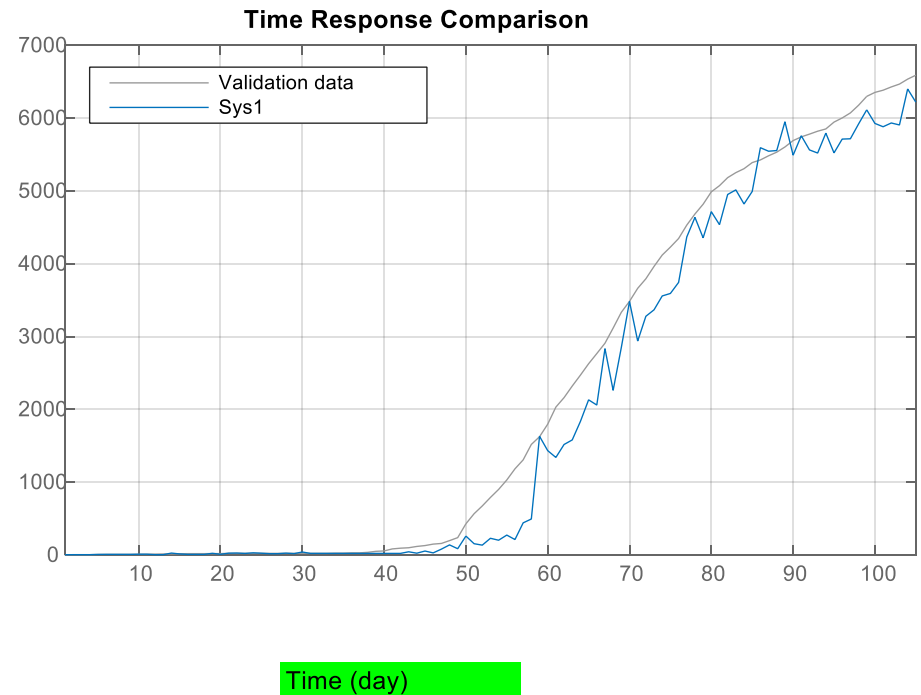
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> order AR model fit the infection data well (**97% fitness**)
- The **same data** used to build the model is used **for the prediction**
- How accurate the model prediction will be if it is used to **forecast** the data beyond 30/04/2020
- Let include the data up to **09/05/2020** in X dataset.
- 9 data points added.



# Example 2 – Malaysia COVID-19 Infection

- Copy and past the entire dataset (including 9 extra points) onto Matlab Command Window
  - Type as follows
- ```
>> compare(X, Sys1, 9);
```
- Use  $m = 9$ , because we want to predict the 9 data points added using the AR model
  - Fitness drop to **85%**
  - Longer prediction, poorer model fitness.
  - For  $m = 2, 3, 4, 5$  and  $6$  the fitness values are 97%, 96%, 94%, 93% and 91% respectively.

Cumulative Infection



# ARX model

- Is a linear equation for the present output value as a function of the past output and input values in discrete time
- Single input and single output ARX structure **without input delay**:

$$y_t + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i y_{t-i} = \sum_{i=0}^q \beta_i u_{t-i} + \varepsilon$$

- Can be expressed using the back shift operator:

$$\mathbf{y}(t)A(z) = \mathbf{B}(z)\mathbf{u}(t) + \varepsilon$$

Where  $A(z) = 1 + \alpha_1 z^{-1} + \alpha_2 z^{-2} + \dots + \alpha_p z^{-p}$  and  $B(z) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 z^{-1} + \dots + \beta_q z^{-q+1}$

- For system with input delay with magnitude  $n_k$ :

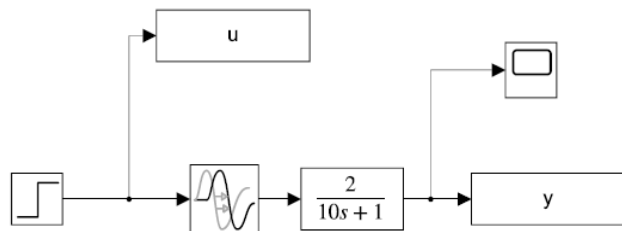
$$y_t + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i y_{t-i} = \sum_{l=1}^q \beta_l u_{t-n_k-i} + \varepsilon$$

## Example 3

- Consider a transfer function given as follows:

$$G_p(s) = \frac{2\exp(-s)}{10s + 1}$$

- Find an ARX model for the above system, with 1 unit step change in input and sampling time  $T_s = 1$  unit



| u | y      |
|---|--------|
| 0 | 0.0000 |
| 0 | 0.0000 |
| 0 | 0.0000 |
| 0 | 0.0000 |
| 0 | 0.0000 |
| 1 | 0.0000 |
| 1 | 0.0000 |
| 1 | 0.1903 |
| 1 | 0.3625 |
| 1 | 0.5184 |
| 1 | 0.6594 |
| 1 | 0.7869 |
| 1 | 0.9024 |

Convert into IDDATA format in Matlab

Syntax: `dat = iddata(y,u,Ts)`

```
>> datX = iddata(y,u,1)
```

```
>> sys=arx(datX,[3, 2, 1]);
```

## Example 3 cont..

From Matlab:

$$A(z) = 1 - 0.9048 z^{-1} - 6.647e-10 z^{-2} - 8.099e-16 z^{-3}$$

$$B(z) = 9.789e-07 z^{-1} + 0.1903 z^{-2}$$

Fit to estimation data: 100% (prediction focus)

FPE: 1.855e-31, MSE: 1.249e-31

# ARMA

- Autoregressive-moving average (ARMA) model for “stationary” time series
- Combination of autoregression (AR) and moving average (MA)
- ARMA model can be used to understand and predict future values in time series
- ARMA model:

$$y(t) = c + \varepsilon_t + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i y_{t-i} + \sum_{i=1}^q \beta_i \varepsilon_{t-i}$$

where  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_i$  are the model parameters,  $p$  and  $q$  are the model orders,  $c$  is the constant and  $\varepsilon_t, \varepsilon_{t-i}$  are white noise errors.

- $y$  at time  $t$  = constant + weighted sum of the last  $p$  values of  $y$  + weighted sum of the last  $q$  forecast errors

# Nonseasonal ARIMA model

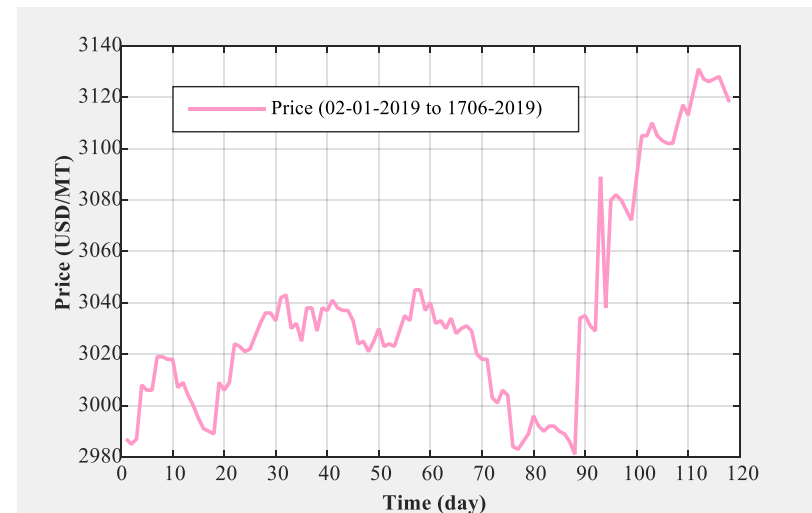
- Non-seasonal time series consists of a trend component and an irregular component.
- Decomposition of the time series into these components and estimation of the trend component and irregular component.
- ARIMA = autoregressive integrated moving average, consists of AR, I and MA where I means the integration.
- Matlab has a built-in 'arima' function to build an ARIMA model - the syntax:
- $Mdl = arima(p,d,q)$ 
  - $p$  is the number of autoregressive terms,
  - $d$  is the number of nonseasonal differences needed for stationarity, and
  - $q$  is the number of lagged forecast errors in the prediction equation.

# Matlab function - arima(p,d,q)

- Significance of d
  - If  $d = 0$ , then  $\Delta Y_t = y_t$  where  $\Delta Y_t$  denotes the 0<sup>th</sup> difference of  $y$
  - If  $d = 1$ , then  $\Delta Y_t = y_t - y_{t-1}$
  - If  $d = 2$ , then  $\Delta Y_t = (y_t - y_{t-1}) - (y_{t-1} - y_{t-2}) = y_t - 2y_{t-1} + y_{t-2}$
  - Note:  $d = 2$  means the first-difference of the first-difference
- Some examples of typical model specifications:
  - ARIMA(0,1,0) = random walk model
  - ARIMA(2,0,0) = 2nd-order autoregressive model
  - ARIMA(0,1,1) = simple exponential smoothing model
  - ARIMA(1,1,2) = linear exponential smoothing with damped trend

## Example 4 – Daily Prices of Black Pepper

- Black pepper prices from 02-01-2019 to 17-06-2019
- Use the following Matlab functions
  1. **arima(p,d,q)** => to build ARIMA model
  2. **estimate(Mdl,X)** => to estimate the ARMA model parameters
  3. **simulate(EstMdl,t)** => to simulate the ARMA model
  4. **plot(tx,X,tx,y)** => to compare the data and model estimation
- Copy and paste the X data (black pepper price) on Matlab Command window



Sarawak Black Pepper Daily Price (USD/MT)



## Example 4 – continue ...

- There are 118 data points (over 118 days);
- Type on Matlab Command window:  

```
>> X = [ ]; % copy and paste excel data into  
'[]'  
>> tx = [1:1:118]';
```
- Build ARIMA model, e.g., try 2 specifications  

```
>> Mdl1 = arima(1,0,3);  
>> Mdl2 = arima(2,0,0);
```
- Estimate model parameters  

```
>> EstMdl1 = estimate(Mdl1,X);  
>> EstMdl2 = estimate(Mdl2,X);
```

- ARIMA 1 is given by

$$y_t = 229.38 + 0.925y_{t-1} + 0.03\varepsilon_{t-1} + 0.072\varepsilon_{t-2} + 0.546\varepsilon_{t-3}$$

- ARIMA 2 is given by

$$y_t = 24.13 + 0.635y_{t-1} + 0.357y_{t-2}$$

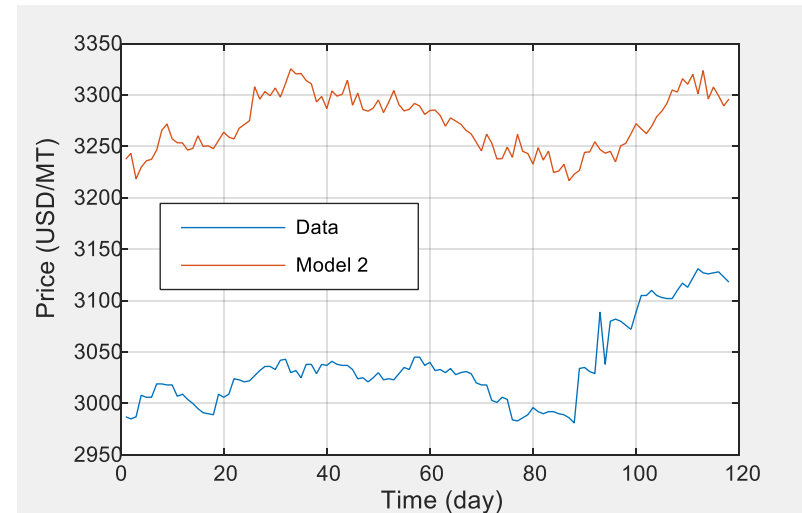
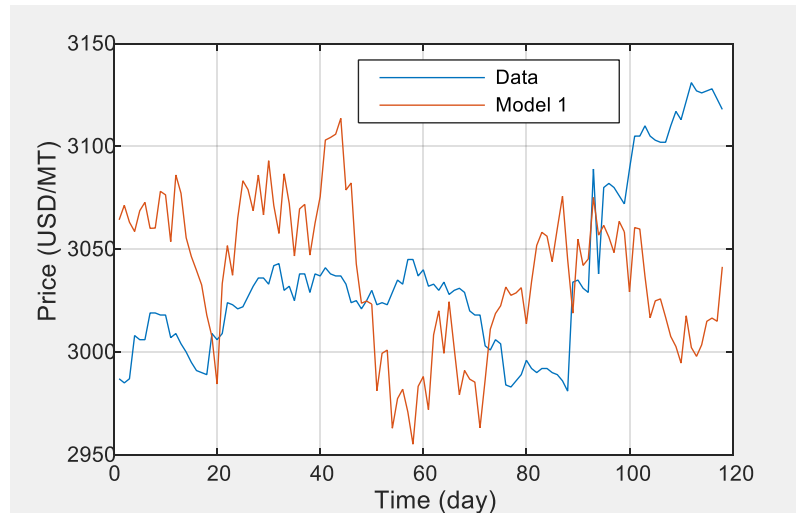
- Simulate the models:

```
>> y1 = simulate(EstMdl1,n); % n =  
length(tx)
```

```
>> y2 = simulate(EstMdl2,n);
```

- Plot the data and model estimation

## Example 4 – continue...



Result not accurate using both models. Why? The presence of significant “**unstationary**” behaviour.

# Example 5

- Data trend does not show significant drift.

- Try a few models

- i. Mdl1 = arima(2,0,0)

- ii. Mdl2 = arima(2,1,1);

- iii. Mdl3 = arima(2,0,2);

- ARIMA 1

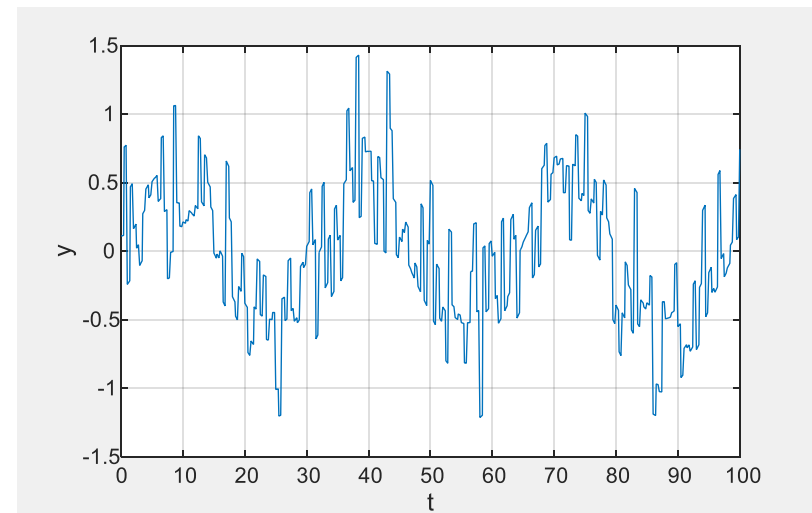
$$y_t = 0.00118 + 0.925y_{t-1} - 0.0769y_{t-2}$$

- ARIMA 2

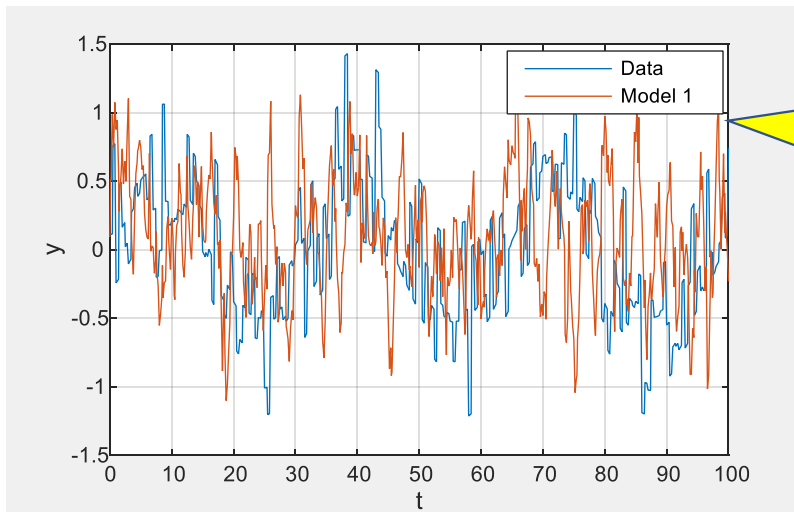
$$y_t = 0.0016 - 0.5798y_{t-1} + 0.1542y_{t-2} + 0.6022\varepsilon_{t-1}$$

- ARIMA 3

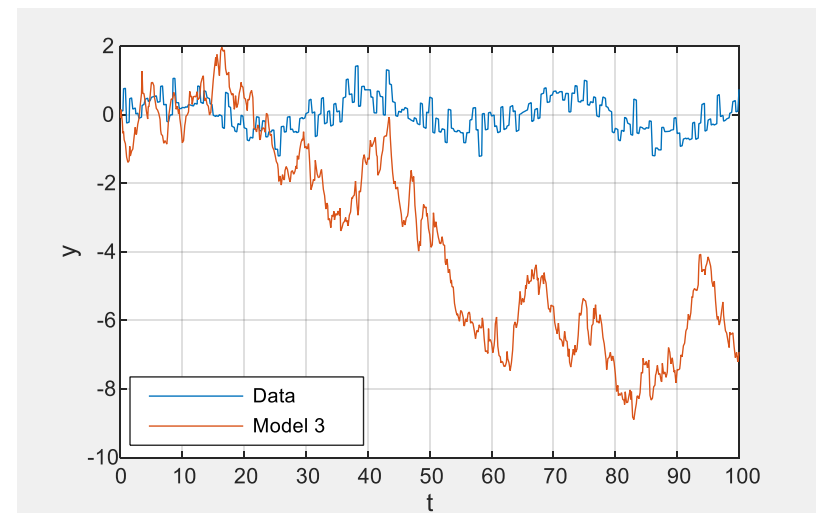
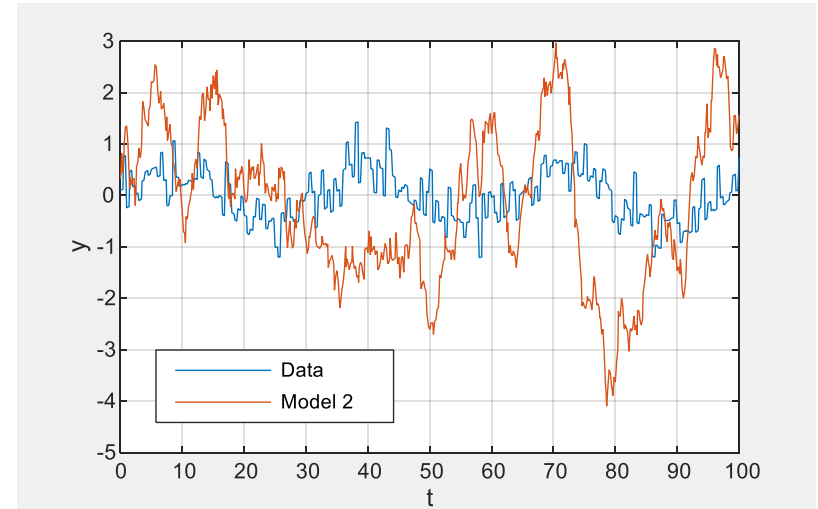
$$y_t = -0.5799y_{t-1} + 0.1542y_{t-2} - 0.3978\varepsilon_{t-1} - 0.6022\varepsilon_{t-2}$$



# Example 5 – continue ...



This is a more suitable model for the data.  
The other 2 models are less suitable



# Summary

- Time series data analysis is common in process industry and in many other fields
- 3 common models are AR, ARX and ARMA (or ARIMA in Matlab)
- Selection of a suitable model structure requires some knowledge about the data characteristics, e.g., stationary or non-stationary, random or deterministic
- ARX can be used to represent a transfer function model