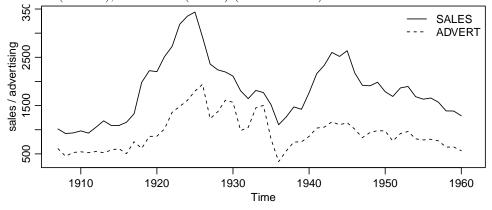
# Solution to Series 5

1. a) In the time series plot, the dependence of the two series is evident. When advertising expenditure increases (ADVERT), so do sales (SALES) (or vice versa?).

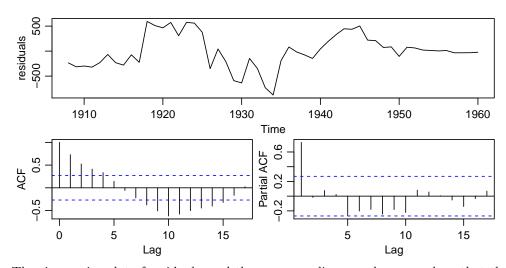


**b**) We regard the model

 $SALES_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 ADVERT_t + \beta_2 ADVERT_{t-1} + E_t$ .

### **R** commands and output:

```
> lm.advert1 <- lm(SALES ~ ADVERT + ADVERT1, data = ts.advert)
> summary(lm.advert1)
Call:
lm(formula = SALES ~ ADVERT + ADVERT1, data = ts.advert)
Residuals:
   Min
           1Q Median
                         ЗQ
                               Max
-877.9 -224.4 -18.1 211.1
                             593.6
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 496.68768
                       135.76609
                                   3.658 0.00061 ***
ADVERT
                         0.22704
                                   5.957 2.55e-07 ***
              1.35243
ADVERT1
              0.08066
                         0.22753
                                   0.355 0.72445
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 346.3 on 50 degrees of freedom
  (2 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.7081,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.6965
F-statistic: 60.66 on 2 and 50 DF, p-value: 4.259e-14
> res.advert1 <- ts(resid(lm.advert1), start = 1908)</pre>
> layout(matrix(c(1, 1, 2, 3), 2, 2, byrow = TRUE))
> plot(res.advert1, ylab = "residuals")
> acf(res.advert1, plot = TRUE)
> acf(res.advert1, type = "partial", plot = TRUE)
```



The time series plot of residuals, and the corresponding correlograms, show that the errors are correlated and behave as an AR(1) process.

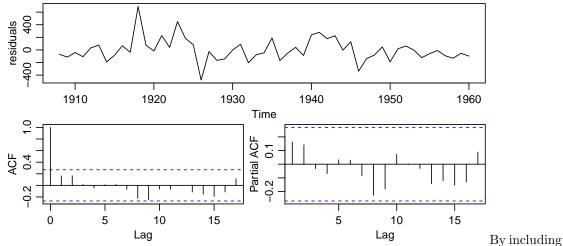
#### **Consequences:**

Correlation of residuals means that subsequently, the confidence intervals for coefficients  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  are inaccurate, which has an adverse effect on predictions and their precision. Since the setup of this exercise means that prediction is our main interest, this model really should be improved first.

c) We extend the model from part b) by introducing the variable SALES<sub>t-1</sub> = SALES1:

 $\mathsf{SALES}_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \, \mathsf{ADVERT}_t + \beta_2 \, \mathsf{ADVERT}_{t-1} + \beta_3 \, \mathsf{SALES}_{t-1} + E_t \, .$ 

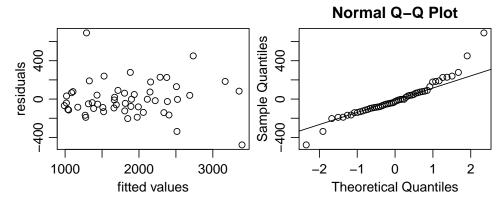
Note that the variable SALES serves both as a target and as an explanatory variable. The summary of the 1m object (not printed here) shows that all three explanatory variables are significant. The plot of residuals—and moreover, the correlograms—no longer exhibit unwanted correlation:



the additional variable  $SALES_{t-1}$ , we have succeeded in eliminating the autocorrelation of residuals from the model in part b).

Checking the assumption on the distribution of residuals:

```
> par(mfrow = c(1, 2), mar = c(3, 3, 2, 0.1))
> plot(fitted(lm.advert2), resid(lm.advert2), xlab = "fitted values",
+ ylab = "residuals")
> qqnorm(resid(lm.advert2))
> qqline(resid(lm.advert2))
```



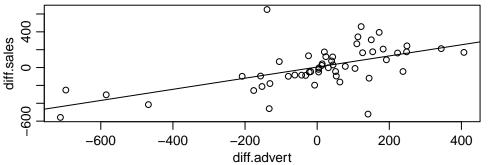
In the time series plot of residuals, and in the normal and Tukey-Anscombe plots, however, 2 outliers are visible. These observations should be looked at more closely. Simply omitting them is not an option, since this obviously causes problems for a time series. (Simply omitting outliers is a bad habit anyway...)

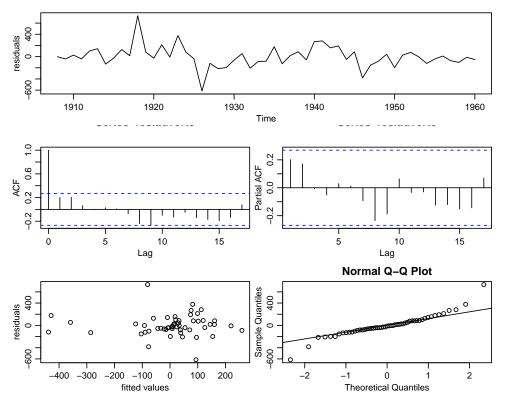
d) We regard the model

$$D\_SALES_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 D\_ADVERT_t + E_t$$

where  $D\_SALES_t = SALES_t - SALES_{t-1}$  and  $D\_ADVERT_t = ADVERT_t - ADVERT_{t-1}$  are the first-order differences. The fitted line is shown in the following plot:

```
> diff.sales <- ts.advert[, "SALES"] - ts.advert[, "SALES1"]
> diff.advert <- ts.advert[, "ADVERT"] - ts.advert[, "ADVERT1"]
> lm.advert3 <- lm(diff.sales ~ diff.advert)
> plot(diff.advert, diff.sales, type = "p", xy.labels = FALSE, xy.lines = FALSE)
> abline(lm.advert3)
```





The correlograms do not exhibit any undesired correlation. All the ordinary and partial autocorrelations lie inside the confidence band.

However, the time series plot of residuals and the normal and Tukey-Anscombe plots again contain 2 outliers. The fitted model is

$$D_{SALES_t} = 5.668 + 0.623 \cdot D_{ADVERT_t} + E_t$$

The intercept  $\hat{\beta}_0 = 5.668$  is not significant and could possibly be removed from the model.

- e) Comparison of both models:
  - c)  $SALES_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 ADVERT_t + \beta_2 ADVERT_{t-1} + \beta_3 SALES_{t-1} + E_t$
  - d) D\_SALES<sub>t</sub> =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1$  D\_ADVERT<sub>t</sub> +  $E_t$ ; corresponds to the model SALES<sub>t</sub> =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1$  ADVERT<sub>t</sub> -  $\beta_1$  ADVERT<sub>t-1</sub> + SALES<sub>t-1</sub> +  $E_t$
  - In both models the errors satisfy the assumption of independence. However, both models breach the assumption on their distribution, and there are outliers.
  - Both models contain the same explanatory variables, but the model in part d) contains restrictions on the regression coefficients (only 2 coefficients are estimated here!).
  - The second model is somewhat simpler to interpret than the first one. However, model d) does not fit as well as model c): its  $R^2$  is only 0.344 compared to 0.915 in model c).

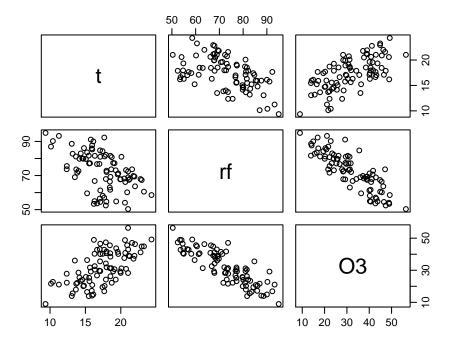
## Notes - Outlook:

In this example it is difficult to determine which series influences the other one. The theory distinguishes two settings:

- Both series influence each other. Such models are called **bivariate autoregressive models**.
- Only one of the series  $(y_t)$  depends on the other one  $(x_t)$ . Such models are termed **transfer** function models.

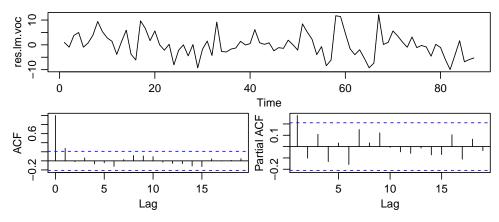
The connection between the two time series can be investigated using so-called **cross-correlations**, which you will encounter later. In both cases, however, both  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  must be assumed to be **stationary** time series.

2. a)



b) Both explanatory variables are significant:

```
> lm.voc <- lm(03 ~ ., data = ts.voc)
> summary(lm.voc)
Call:
lm(formula = 03 ~ ., data = ts.voc)
Residuals:
   Min
             1Q Median
                             ЗQ
                                    Max
-9.9833 -2.7762 -0.0024 2.0879 12.1565
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 63.60570
                        6.54426
                                  9.719 2.12e-15 ***
t
             0.99033
                        0.19733
                                  5.019 2.87e-06 ***
rf
            -0.67404
                        0.05577 -12.085 < 2e-16 ***
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 4.917 on 84 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7905,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.7855
F-statistic: 158.5 on 2 and 84 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
However, the residuals behave badly: they are not uncorrelated:
```



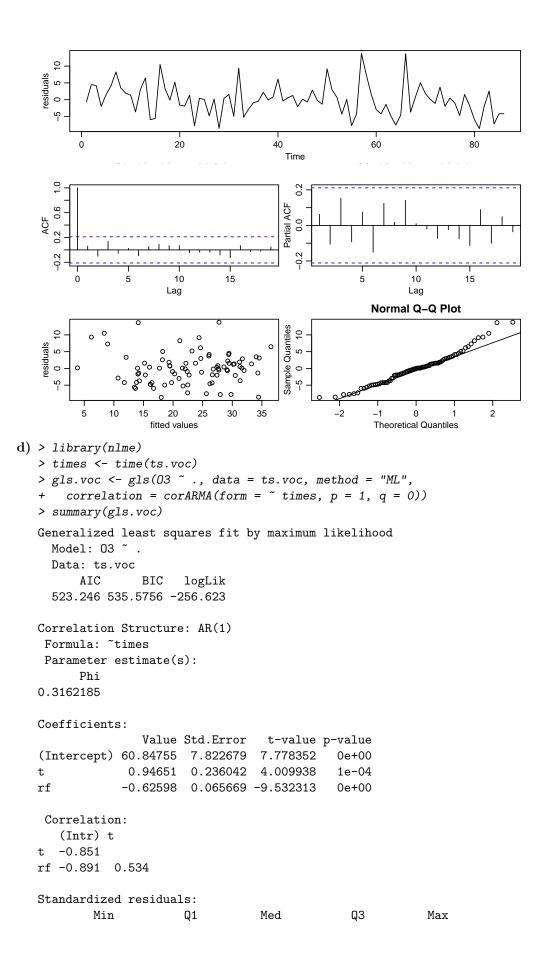
c) The PACF plot of the residuals in part b) indicates that the residuals should be modeled as an AR(1) process. We fit its parameter and transform the model accordingly:

```
> alpha <- ar(res.lm.voc, method = "yw", order.max = 1)$ar
> ts.voc.star <- ts.voc - alpha[1] * lag(ts.voc, -1)
> colnames(ts.voc.star) <- colnames(ts.voc)</pre>
```

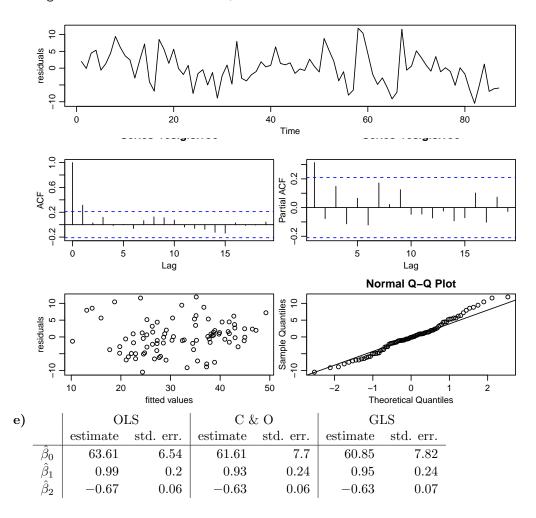
We can now perform a least squares regression with the transformed time series:

```
> lm.voc.star <- lm(03 ~ ., data = ts.voc.star)</pre>
> summary(lm.voc.star)
Call:
lm(formula = 03 ~ ., data = ts.voc.star)
Residuals:
   Min
           1Q Median
                          ЗQ
                                Max
-8.638 -3.495 -0.018 2.131 13.774
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   8.004 6.38e-12 ***
(Intercept) 44.68763
                        5.58291
                        0.23743
                                   3.931 0.000175 ***
t
             0.93329
rf
            -0.63378
                        0.06446
                                 -9.833 1.42e-15 ***
___
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 4.729 on 83 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7127,
                                    Adjusted R-squared: 0.7057
F-statistic: 102.9 on 2 and 83 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Both explanatory variables are still significant. The residual analysis gives good results now—up to few outliers:



Residual standard error: 4.86868 Degrees of freedom: 87 total; 84 residual



**3.** a) i)  $X_t = t + E_t$  is not stationary since the expectation value  $E[X_t] = E[t + E_t] = t$  is not stationary.

ii) We have

$$Y_t = X_t - X_{t-1} = t + E_t - (t - 1 + E_{t-1}) = 1 + E_t - E_{t-1},$$

hence  $Y_t$  is a **stationary** MA(1) process with  $\mu = 1$  and  $\beta_1 = -1$ . iii) The time series  $Z_t = X_t - t$  is **stationary**:  $Z_t = X_t - t = t + E_t - t = E_t$ .

**b)** • Series  $Y_t$  has autocovariances

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{11}(k) &= \operatorname{Cov}(Y_t, Y_{t+k}) = \operatorname{Cov}(1 + E_t - E_{t-1}, 1 + E_{t+k} - E_{t+k-1}) \\ &= \operatorname{Cov}(E_t, E_{t+k}) - \operatorname{Cov}(E_t, E_{t+k-1}) - \operatorname{Cov}(E_{t-1}, E_{t+k}) + \operatorname{Cov}(E_{t-1}, E_{t+k-1}) \\ &= \begin{cases} 2\sigma^2 & k = 0 \\ -\sigma^2 & k = \pm 1 \\ 0 & |k| > 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we find the autocorrelations

$$\begin{split} \rho_{11}(0) &= 1, \\ \rho_{11}(\pm 1) &= \frac{\gamma_{11}(1)}{\gamma_{11}(0)} = -\frac{1}{2}, \\ \rho_{11}(k) &= 0, \quad \text{für } |k| > 1. \end{split}$$

- Series  $Z_t$ : Since  $Z_t = E_t$  is white noise, we have, trivially,  $\gamma_{22}(0) = \sigma^2$  and  $\gamma_{22}(k) = 0$  for  $|k| \ge 1$ . Hence we have  $\rho_{22}(0) = 1$  and  $\rho_{22}(k) = 0$  for  $|k| \ge 1$ .
- Cross-correlations between  $Y_t$  and  $Z_t$ : The cross-covariances are

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{12}(k) &= \operatorname{Cov}(Y_{t+k}, Z_t) = \operatorname{Cov}(1 + E_{t+k} - E_{t+k-1}, E_t) \\ &= \operatorname{Cov}(E_{t+k}, E_t) - \operatorname{Cov}(E_{t+k-1}, E_t) \\ &= \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & k = 0 \\ -\sigma^2 & k = 1 \\ 0 & \text{sonst} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we find the cross-correlations

$$\rho_{12}(k) = \frac{\gamma_{12}(k)}{\sqrt{\gamma_{11}(0)\gamma_{22}(0)}} = \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{2} = 0.71 & k = 0\\ -1/\sqrt{2} = -0.71 & k = 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In this example, the cross-correlation  $\rho_{12}(k)$  describes the connection between  $Y_{t+k}$  (MA(1) model) and  $E_t$  (white noise). By construction of the series, the cross-correlation always vanishes, except for lags 0 and 1.

c) The simulated processes  $Y_t$  and  $Z_t$  behave as we expect from theory.

#### Simulation with R:

- > ts.E <- ts(rnorm(201))
- > ts.X <- (1:201) + ts.E
- > ts.Y <- diff(ts.X)</pre>
- > ts.Z <- ts.E

Plot of the auto- and crosscorrelations:

