

# Applications of Distance Correlation to Time Series

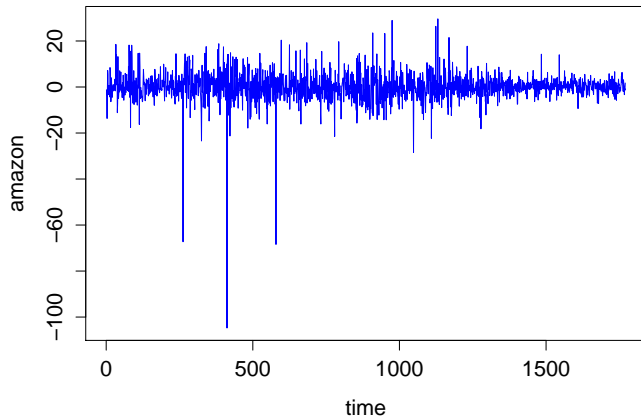
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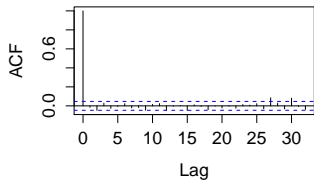
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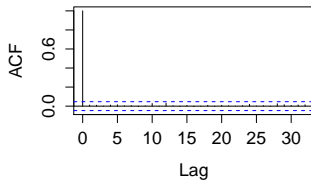


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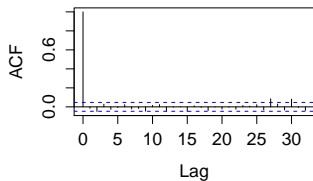


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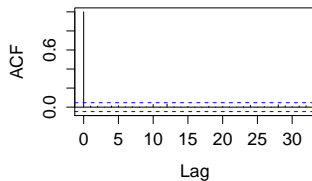


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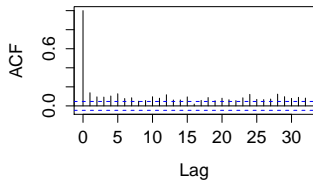
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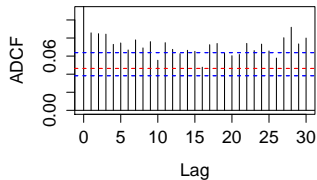
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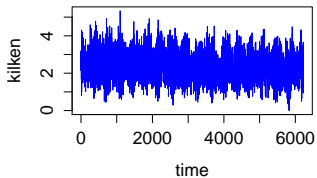


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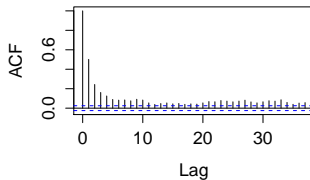


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**Kilken: 1/1/61 to 1/17/78**



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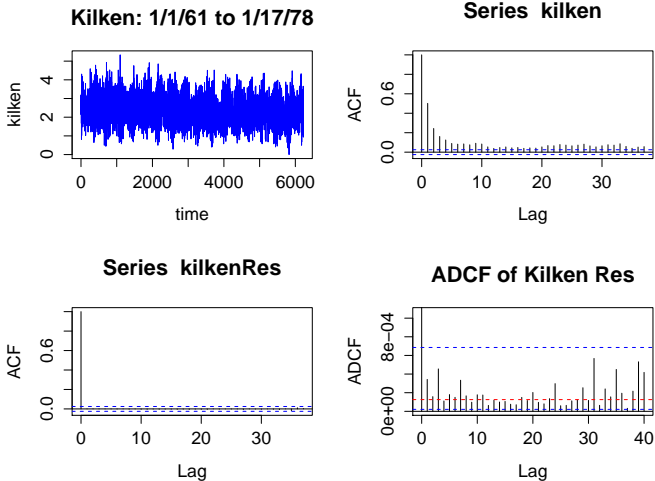


Figure: Auto-distance correlation function (ADCF) of residuals from AR(9) model applied to Kilkenny daily wind speed.

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- Sample distance covariance: Observations  $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  from a stationary time series  $(X_t, Y_t)$ . Then

$$T_n^{X,Y}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{p+q}} |\hat{\varphi}_{X,Y}(s, t) - \hat{\varphi}_X(s) \hat{\varphi}_Y(t)|^2 \cdot \mu(ds, dt),$$

where  $\hat{\varphi}$  denotes the empirical characteristic function, e.g.,

$$\hat{\varphi}_{X,Y}(s, t) = n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n e^{i(s \cdot X_j + t \cdot Y_j)}$$

## Background

- Feuerverger et al. (1981,...), Feuerverger and Mureika (1977); applications of the empirical characteristic function, inference using Fourier methods, etc. Feuerverger (1993), a bivariate test for independence,  $\text{cor}(\cos(sX), \cos(tY))$ , etc.
- S. Csörgő (1981a,b,c) Limit behavior of characteristic functions.
- Meintannis et al. (2008), 2015, Fourier methods for testing multivariate independence
- Székely, Rizzo, Bakirov (2007), Székely and Rizzo (2009), (2014), special choice of weight function, Brownian distance covariance
- Dueck et al. (2014) affinely invariant distance correlation
- Zhou (2012) application to time series.
- Fokianos and Pitsillou (2016). Testing pairwise dependence in time series.

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- Distance correlation is **scale and rotational invariant** relative to  $w(s, t)$ .



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- **Consistency:** If  $(X_t, Y_t)$  is a stationary ergodic sequence satisfying 1 or 2 above, then

$$T_n^{X,Y}(h) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} T^{X,Y}(h).$$

## Results—weak convergence

Assume that  $X_0 \perp\!\!\!\perp Y_0$ ,  $\alpha$ -mixing ( $\sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \alpha_h^{1/r} < \infty$ ,  $r > 1$ ) + moment condition,

$$\mathbf{E}[|X|^\alpha + |Y|^\alpha] < \infty, \quad \mathbf{E}\left[\prod_{l=1}^p |X^{(l)}|^\alpha\right] < \infty, \quad \mathbf{E}\left[\prod_{l=1}^q |Y^{(l)}|^\alpha\right] < \infty, \quad (1)$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{p+q}} (1 \wedge |s|^{\alpha'(1+\epsilon)/u})(1 \wedge |t|^{\alpha'(1+\epsilon)/u}) \mu(ds, dt) < \infty \quad (2)$$

where  $u = 2r/(r-1)$ ,  $\alpha' \leq \min(2, \alpha)$ . Then

$$n T_n(X, Y; \mu) \xrightarrow{d} \|G\|_\mu^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{p+q}} |G(s, t)|^2 \mu(ds, dt), \quad (3)$$

where  $G$  is a complex-valued mean-zero Gaussian process.

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Assume that  $X_0$  and  $Y_0$  are dependent and for some  $\alpha \in (u/2, u]$  and for  $\alpha' \leq \min(2, \alpha)$  the following hold:

$$\mathbf{E}[|X|^{2\alpha} + |Y|^{2\alpha}] < \infty, \quad \mathbf{E}\left[\left(1 \vee \prod_{l=1}^p |X^{(l)}|^{\alpha}\right)\left(1 \vee \prod_{k=1}^q |Y^{(k)}|^{\alpha}\right)\right] < \infty, \quad (4)$$

and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{p+q}} (1 \wedge |s|^{\alpha'/u})(1 \wedge |t|^{\alpha'/u}) \mu(ds, dt) < \infty. \quad (5)$$

Then

$$\sqrt{n}(T_n(X, Y; \mu) - T(X, Y; \mu)) \xrightarrow{d} G'_\mu = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{p+q}} G'(s, t) \mu(ds, dt), \quad (6)$$

where  $G'(s, t) = 2\text{Re}\{G(s, t)C(s, t)\}$  is a mean-zero Gaussian process.

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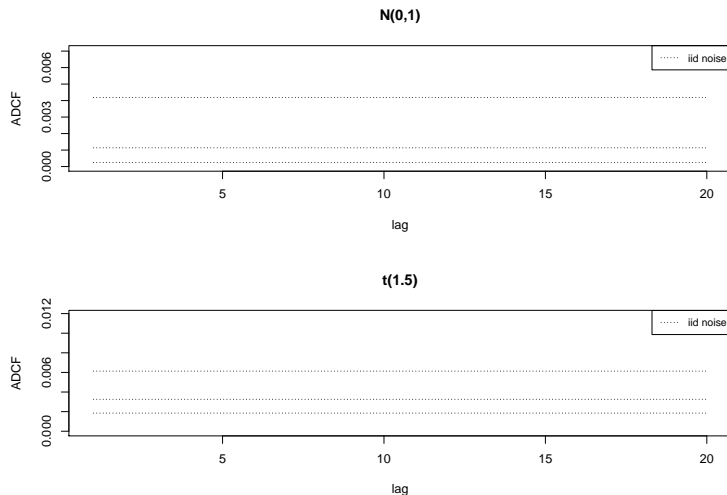
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• If  $Z_t \sim \text{DOA}(\alpha)$  with index  $\alpha \in (0, 2)$ , then

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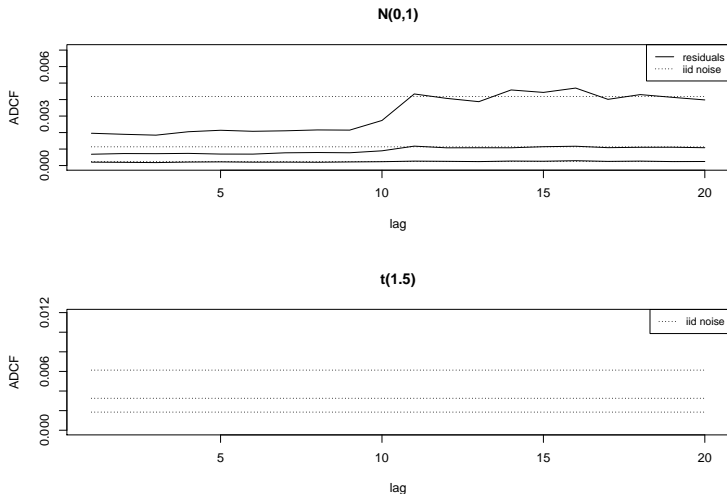


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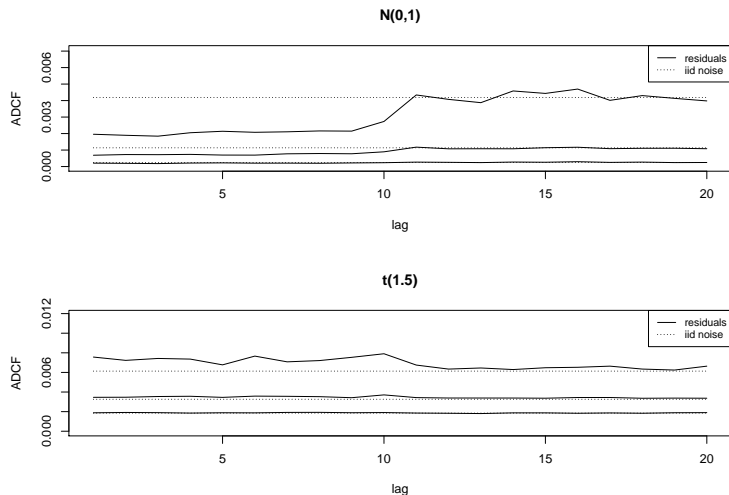


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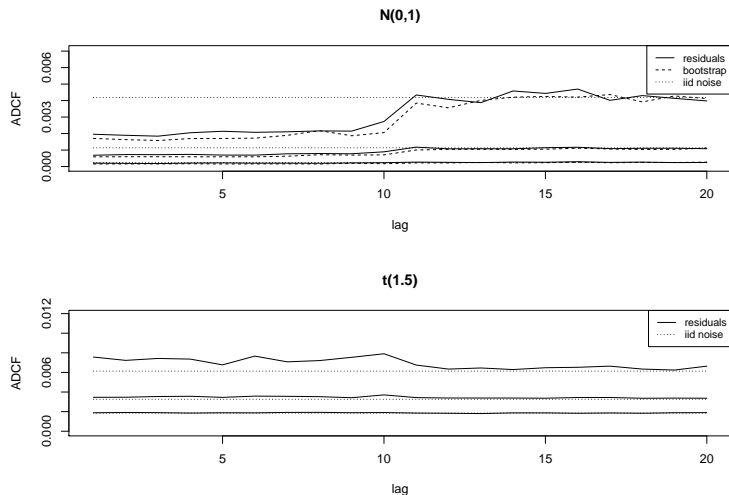


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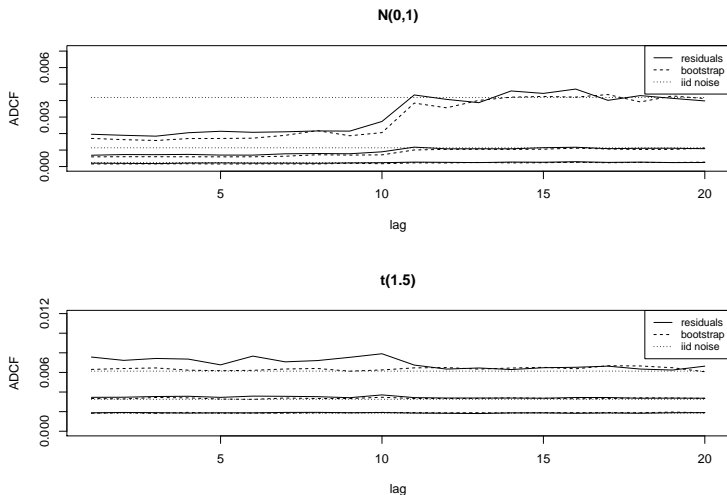


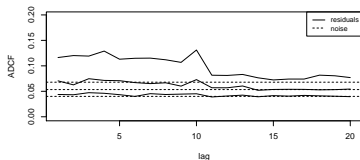
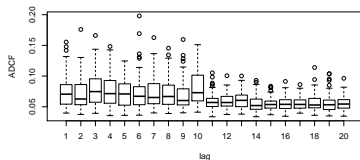
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Székely and Rizzo weight function,

$$w(s, t) = \frac{1}{c_p c_q |t|^{1+p} |s|^{1+q}},$$

need not work.



**Figure:** Left: Box-plots from 500 independent replications. Right panel: empirical 5%, 50%, 95% quantiles from simulated residuals and from iid noise.

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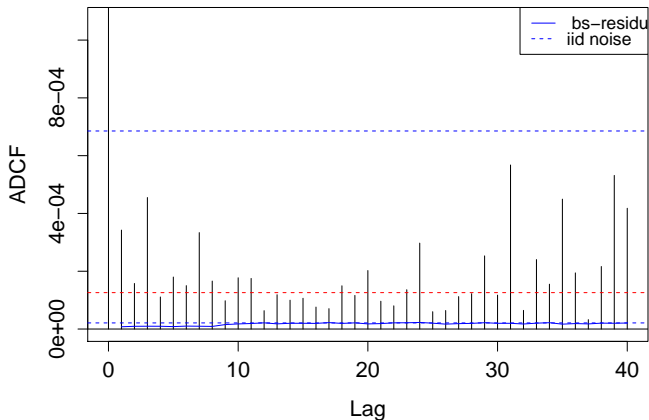


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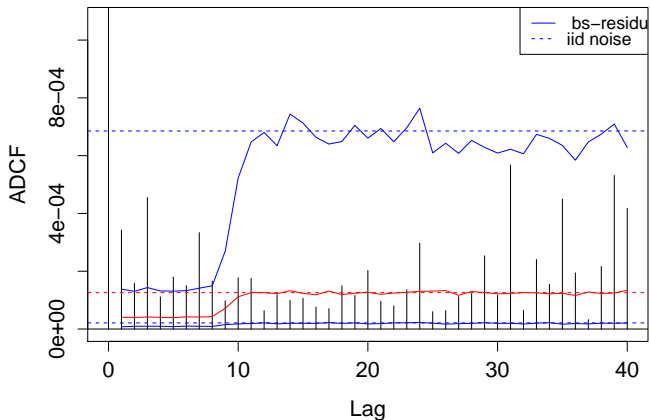


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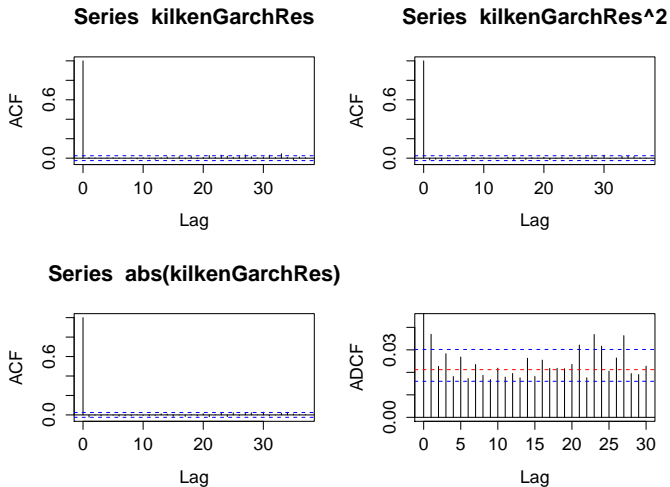


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