

# Anomaly Detection

## Data adaptation: time series

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Topics for today:

- discuss characteristics of time series
- change-point model for time series
- average and linear models for time series
- anomaly detection



What is a time series?

For us, in this class: time series = vector of real values + time stamp

They appear everywhere where a phenomenon is monitored:

- finance (performance indicator measurements)
- healthcare (vital sign measurements)
- industry (sensor measurements)
- ...

Two questions that will interest us today:

- do time series suffer significant changes over time?
- is there something anomalous in the time series?



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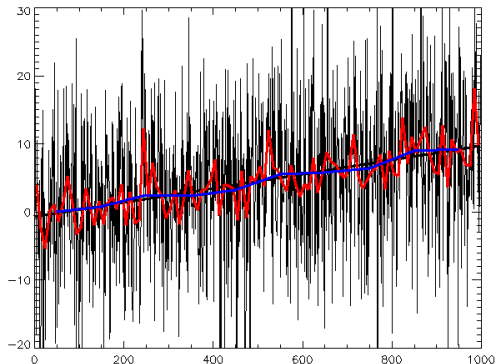


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- seems to be a 1D regression problem (if we ignore the time information)
  - how can we turn in into a regression problem and keep the time information?
- the regression problem can be extended into multiple dimensions (feature engineering)
- average a couple of values from the past to try to predict new values (in the style of K-NN)
- try to find seasonal components in the data (peridicity analysis - Fourier)



A typical time series composed of random data plus a linear trend (source: Wikipedia)



Another typical time series Dollar vs. Euro exchange (source: Google)



Another typical time series Dollar vs. Euro exchange, with an orange change point (source: Google)



time series like this are not non-stationary

what would linear regression look like on this data?





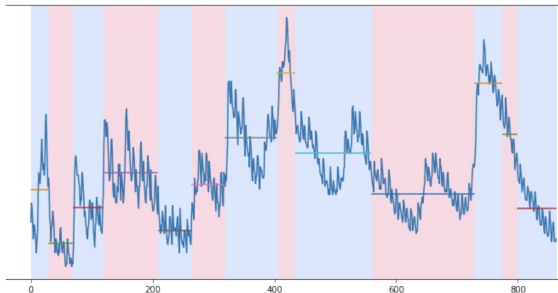
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# Change point detection for time series introduction

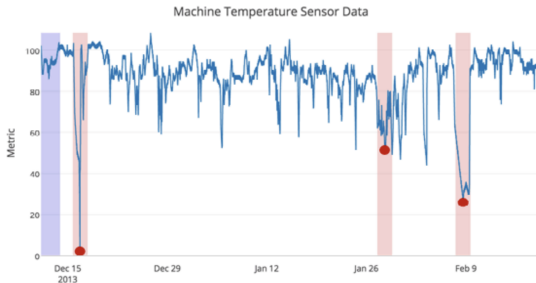
Problem: given a time series, retrieve  $K$  points in the time series where a significant change occurs (source: US unemployment data)

- find how many change points there are
- tell us where these change points are



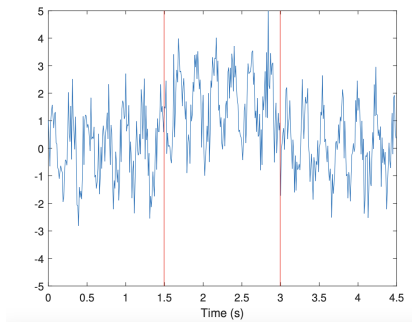
Problem: given a time series, retrieve the points where something unusual happens

- what is the definition of unusual?
- how many unusual points are you looking for?



## Goals:

- find the abrupt changes in the time series  $x[n]$
- find the time at which these happen
- find how many there are
- we call the set of times where an abrupt change happens  $\mathcal{T}^*$



## Problem statement

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  - log likelihood term
  - the mean
  - the median
  - the error (RMSE) of a linear model
  - the error (RMSE) of a more sophisticated linear model



Choices for the cost function:

$$1 \quad c_{\text{prob}}(t_k : t_{k+1}) = -\max_{\theta} \sum_{n=t_k}^{t_{k+1}-1} \log p(x[n]|\theta)$$

$$2 \quad c_{L2}(t_k : t_{k+1}) = \sum_{n=t_k}^{t_{k+1}-1} \|x[n] - \mu_{t_k:t_{k+1}}\|_2^2$$

$$3 \quad c_{\Sigma}(t_k : t_{k+1}) = (b - a) \log \sigma_{t_k:t_{k+1}}^2 + \frac{1}{\sigma_{t_k:t_{k+1}}^2} \sum_{n=t_k}^{t_{k+1}-1} \|x[n] - \mu_{t_k:t_{k+1}}\|_2^2$$

$$4 \quad c_{\text{lin}}(t_k : t_{k+1}) = \min_{\alpha} \sum_{n=t_k}^{t_{k+1}-1} \|x[n] - \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i \beta_i[n]\|_2^2$$

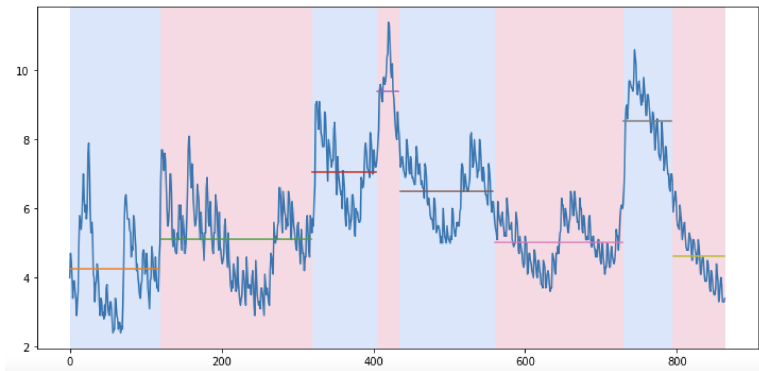


## US Unemployment

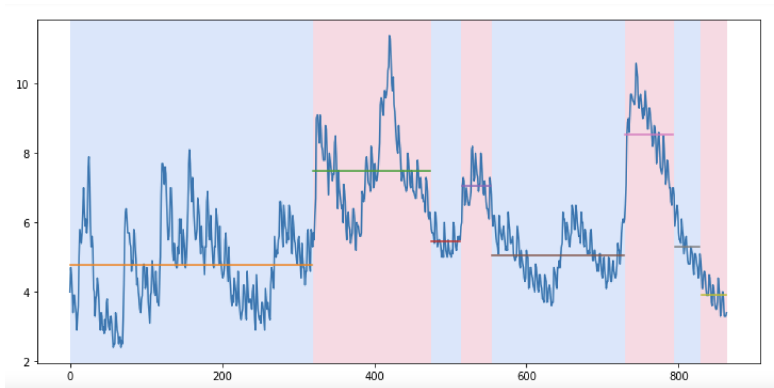




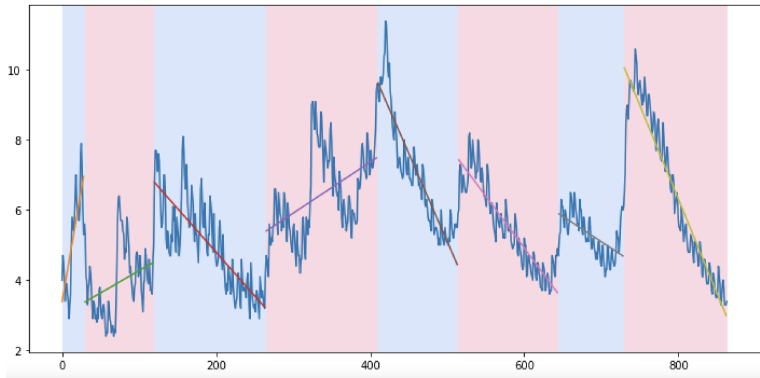
US Unemployment -  $\alpha_{L2}, K = 7$



US Unemployment -  $c_{\Sigma}, K = 7$



US Unemployment -  $c_{lin}$ ,  $K = 7$



Solve optimally by dynamic programming

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we have that

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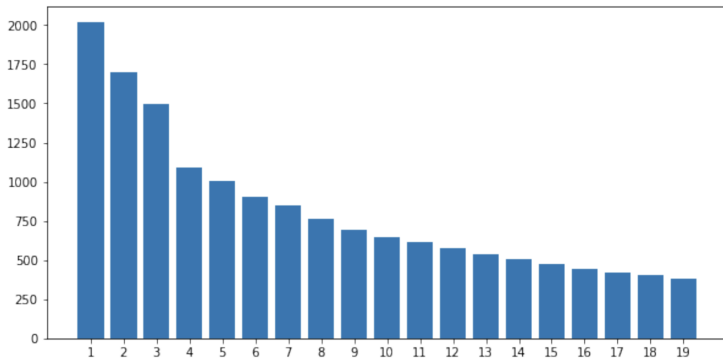
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Complexity?  $O(KN^2)$



## Change point detection: finding optimum $K$

- run for all values  $K$  from 1 to  $K_{\max}$
- find an “elbow” in the resulting curve



how would you integrate the  $K$  into the problem itself?



New, regularized problem statement (penalized change point detection)

$$(\hat{t}_1, \dots, \hat{t}_K) = \arg \min_{t_1, \dots, t_K} \sum_{k=1}^K c(x[t_k : t_{k+1}]) + \lambda K \quad (2)$$

- this type of regularization is typical in machine learning
- the size of the solution set  $\mathcal{T}$  is taken into account at each step of the algorithm
- many algorithms have been proposed for this task
- new problem: find  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$  (in general there is no clear formula between  $\lambda$  and  $K$ )



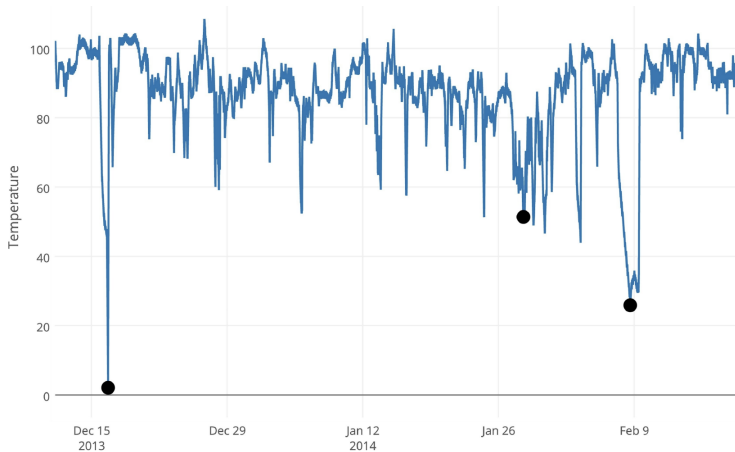
After we have the change point splitting done we can do several things:

- for the mean and statistical cost functions  $c_{L2}$  and  $c_{\Sigma}$  we can use methods developed in Lecture 5 Statistical algorithms: truncation, LODA
- for the regression (linear) statistical cost function  $c_{lin}$  we can use the leverage scores developed in Lecture 2 Leverage scores for linear regression
- the third option is to use an adaptive model that changes with the time series

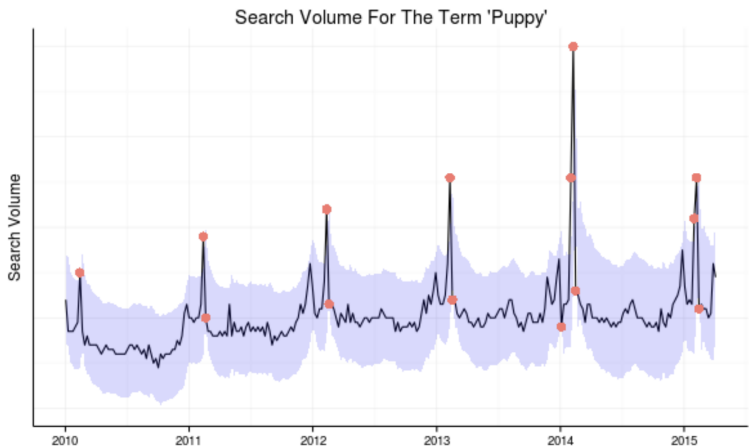




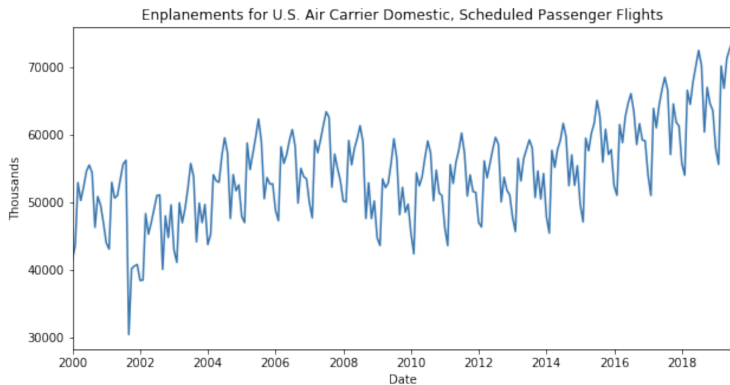
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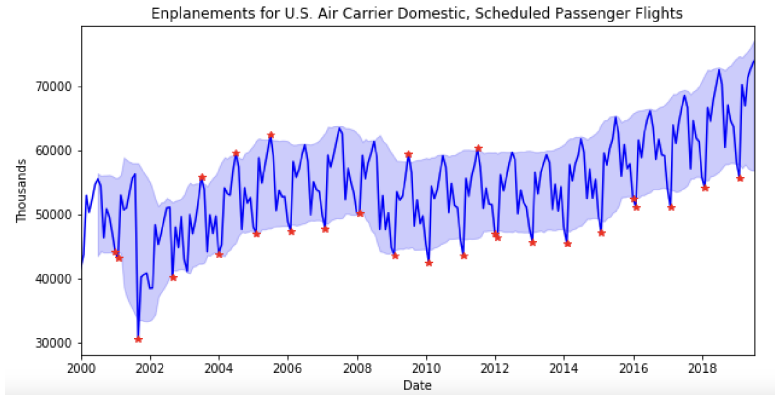
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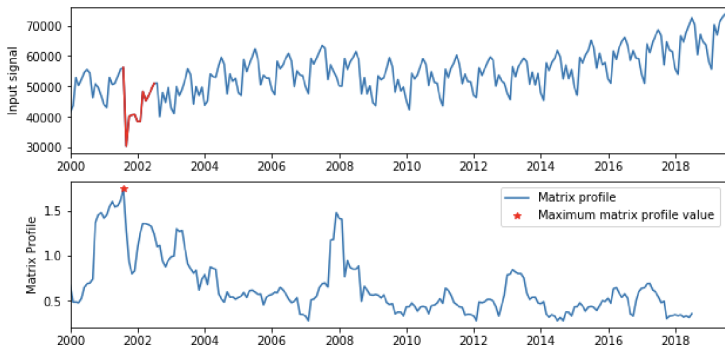


Mu-sigma model:  $|x[n] - \mu| > \lambda\sigma$  ( $\lambda = 1.5$  window of size 12)

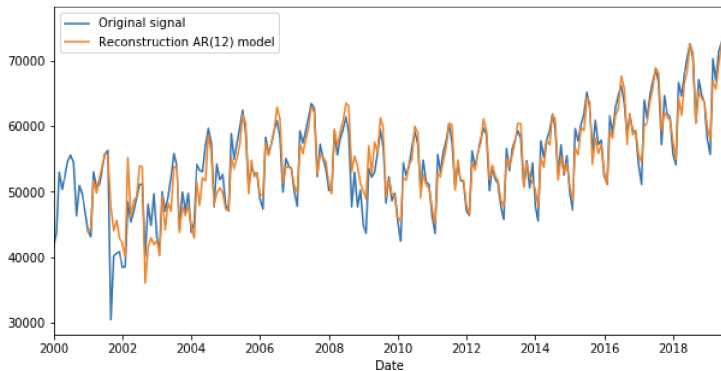


Given a chunk of size  $L$  try to find in the time series a similar pattern

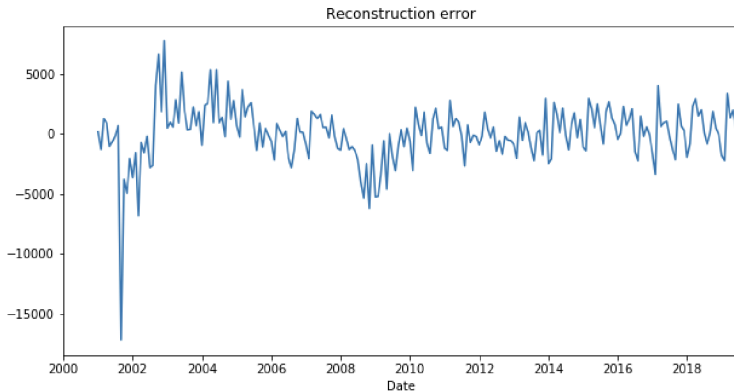
$$\text{pattern}[n] = \min d(x[n : n+L-1], x[i : i+L-1]) \text{ for } i < n-L \text{ and } i > n+L \quad (3)$$



## Model based: AR model reconstruction



## Model based: AR model error



The end.

