

# RSTAR: A Package for Smooth Transition Autoregressive Modeling Using R

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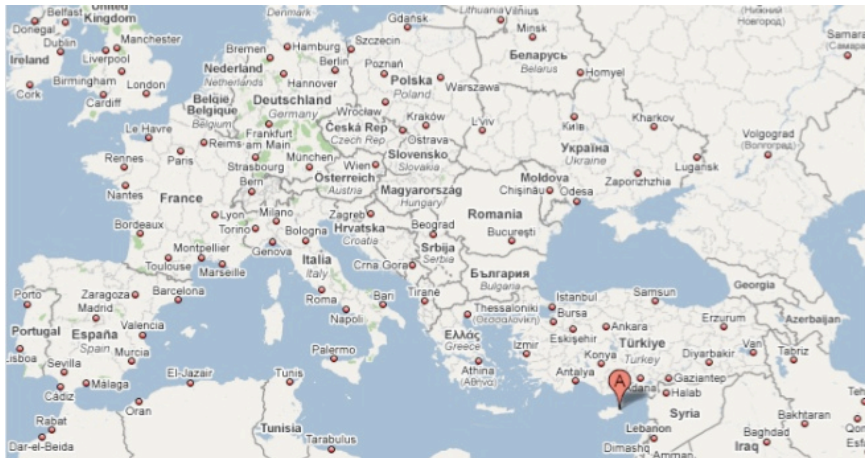
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- Teaching (needed nonlinear and long-memory (partially exists) functions oriented towards economics and finance students):  
Cypriot students ... in my Time Series II course







(Wild Cyprus) Donkeys have two regime of movements (slow & fast). My students only had one in learning R ... everything moves slow in the island!



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- 2 STR (JMulti)
- 3 Finmetrics (S+)

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or

$$y_t = \alpha' z_t + \phi'_1 x_{1,t}(1 - G(s_t; \gamma, c)) + \phi'_2 x_{2,t}G(s_t; \gamma, c) + \epsilon_t$$

where

$$x_{i,t} = (1, y_{t-1}, \dots, y_{t-p_i})$$

$p_i$  = AR order (an integer, or vector of lags—holes are allowed)

$s_t$  = transition variable (self-exciting STAR with  $s_t = y_{t-d}$ )

$z_t$  = exogenous (or deterministic) variables entering linearly

$G(s_t; \gamma, c)$  = transition function

Logistic:

$$G(s_t; \gamma, c) = (1 + \exp\{-\gamma(s_t - c)\})^{-1}$$

Exponential:

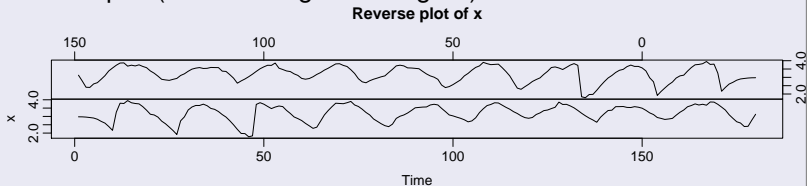
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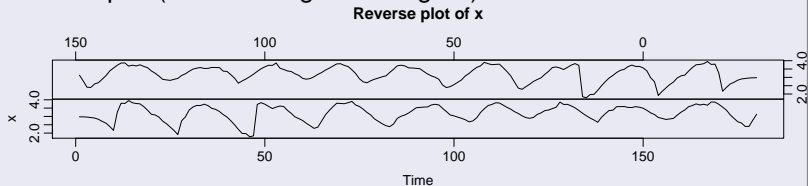


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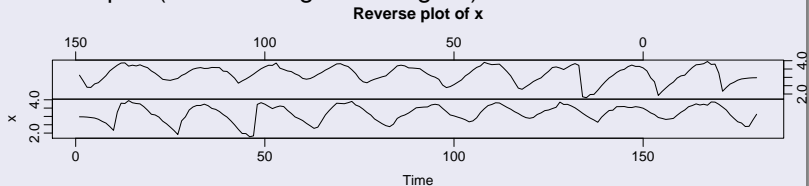


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  - Bihistogram
  - Directed scatter plot
  - LM type tests against logistic and exponential STAR models
- Test for order of autoregression,  $p_i$
- Test for order of delay,  $d$ , in self exciting models
- Testing via least squares, weighted least squares, and robust regression using M estimation
- **Available R Methods:** show



## Estimation

- **Method:** Nonlinear least squares
  - Initial values for nonlinear parameters are obtained via fast grid search
  - $\gamma$  and  $c$  are restricted as required
  - Analytical gradients are used
- **Models:**
  - Logistic (LSTAR) and exponential (ESTAR) STAR models
  - Time varying STAR models
  - Linear regressors are allowed
  - Deterministic regressors can enter any part of the model
- Flexible specification for the transition variable
- Standard errors are computed from the analytical gradients
- HAC consistent standard errors are given additionally
- User can optionally control almost all aspects of the estimation
- **Available R Methods:** `show`, `summary`, `plot`, `diagnose`, `predict`, `impulse`, `simulate`

## Diagnostic Control

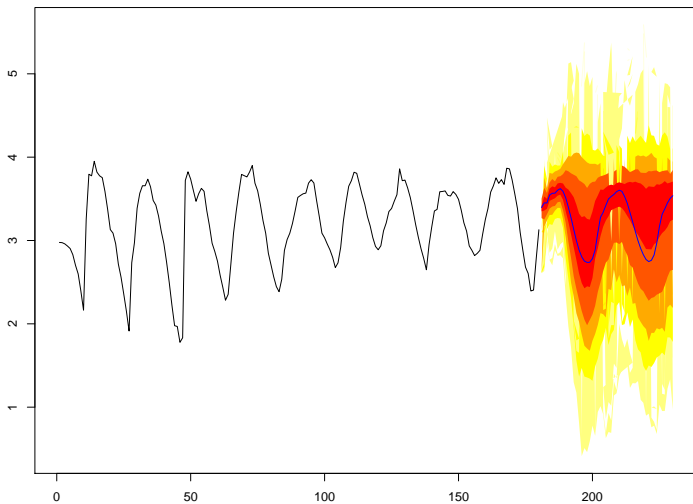
- Extensive standard residual statistics (normality tests, etc)
- Autocorrelation tests (ACF, LM-AR, LJ, etc.)
- ARCH test
- Extensive LM type tests of no remaining nonlinearity (all testing issues are fully taken into account, such as orthogonalization with respect to gradients, control for holes in the gradients and regressors)
- Parameter constancy tests
- Testing two regime against multiple regimes
- Testing via least squares, weighted least squares, and robust regression using M estimation
- Full graphical analysis of the properties of the estimated model
- Graphical display of some tests, p-value graphics, etc.
- **Available R Methods:** `show`, `plot`

## Prediction

Analytical expressions are not available, numerical integration needed, complicated when the forecast horizon is larger than 1 period.

- Point and interval forecasts
- Forecasts are calculated via Monte Carlo or bootstrap methods
- Highest density region, quantile and symmetric confidence interval calculation
- Forecast accuracy statistics
- Graphical display of forecasts with confidence intervals using color depth
- Very fast code for Monte Carlo and bootstrap (eg: 20-step prediction with each prediction evaluated 1000 times for std.err. and repeated 1000 times < 5 seconds)
- **Available R Methods:** `show`, `plot`

## Forecasts from Parametric bootstrap of estimated LSTAR model



## Impulse Response Analysis

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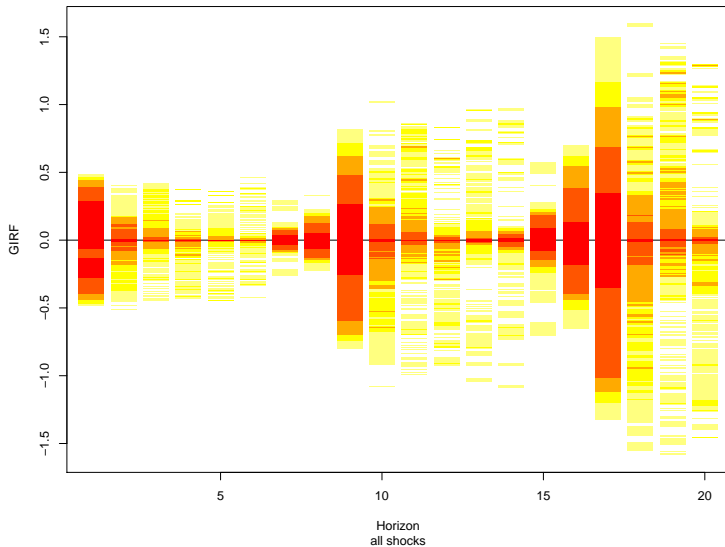
- Generalized impulse responses (GIRF)
- Calculation via Monte Carlo or bootstrap methods
- Full handling of history dependence (every possible history is used)
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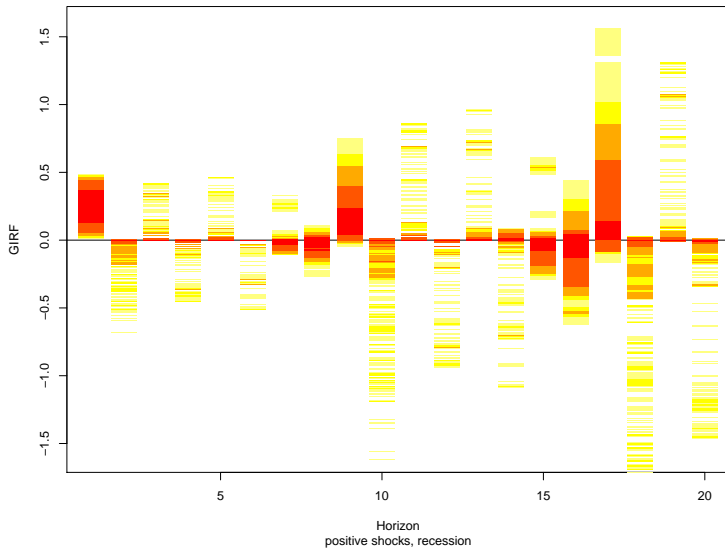
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## Simulation

- Direct simulation from the estimated model or
- Simulation from the user specified model



- Very simple syntax with only the minimum inputs
- Optional full control is available on most aspects of specification, testing, and estimation
- Uses S4 methods for all objects (show, plot, ...)



Fit a self exciting STAR( $p_1, p_2, d$ ) model for `blowfly` series (data on a laboratory population of Blowflies, from the classic ecological studies of Nicholson (1954)) with  $p_1 = 1$ ,  $p_2 = 3$ , and  $d = 8$   
predict for 50 periods ahead  
calculate impulse responses for 20 periods  
simulate 100 realizations.









```
library(RSTAR)
data(blowfly)
x <- log10(blowfly)
N1StarTest(x,p=3,d=8)
fit0 <- STAR(x,p1=1,p2=3,d=8)
summary(fit0)
plot(fit0)
d.fit0 <- diagnose(fit0,ar.p=10,arch.p=10)
plot(d.fit0)
p.fit0 <- predict(fit0,n.ahead=50)
plot(p.fit0)
i.fit0 <- impulse(fit0,n.ahead=20)
plot(i.fit0)
s.fit0 <- simulate(fit0,nsim=100)
plot(s.fit0)
```








- Bispectrum test is coming soon
- Multiple thresholds is coming in the next version
- TAR models (with same comprehension)
- Multivariate STAR models
- Some extensions such as the band TAR model



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> library(RSTAR)
> data(blowfly)
> postscript(file="Rplot.ps", onefile=TRUE, horizontal=TRUE, height=8.0, width=10.0)
> x <- log10(blowfly)
> reverse.plot(x)
> directed.scatter(x, lag=9)
> ts.bihist(x, lag=1, type="persp", nbins=20)
>
> NlStarTest(x, p=3, d=8)
```

Title:  
LM Tests against STAR Alternatives

Call:  
NlStarTest(x = x, p = 3, d = 8)

Series:  
x

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

Transition Variable:  
x(t-8)

Test	Chi Square Variants			F Variants			
	Test Stat	p value	df	Test Stat	p value	df 1	df 2
LM.1	56.7278	1.411e-11	4	20.1769	1.570e-13	4	164
LM.2	58.7785	8.088e-10	8	10.3829	1.169e-11	8	160
LM.3	64.5862	3.251e-09	12	7.8167	2.720e-11	12	156
LM.3e	60.2530	3.999e-11	6	14.5582	2.949e-13	6	162
LM.4	64.8979	7.671e-08	16	5.7565	1.225e-09	16	152
LM.S2	3.0600	5.478e-01	4	0.7245	5.764e-01	4	160
LM.S3	8.8226	6.569e-02	4	2.1086	8.228e-02	4	156
LM.S4	0.4992	9.736e-01	4	0.1106	9.787e-01	4	152
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LM.HE	8.8790	3.526e-01	8	1.0342	4.129e-01	8	152
LM.HL	7.3501	4.994e-01	8	0.8482	5.618e-01	8	152

Number of observations used: 172

Description:

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> fit0 <- STAR(x,p1=1,p2=3,d=8)
> fit0
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Title:

STAR Modelling

Call:

STAR(x = x, p1 = 1, p2 = 3, d = 8)

Model:

LSTAR(p1,p2) with transition variable = x(t-8)

Series:

x

Coefficient(s):

Gamma	Treshold	Intercep_1	AR_1(1)	Intercep_2	AR_2(1)
4.8018	3.0910	2.1481	0.4133	0.3077	1.5369
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> summary(fit0)
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.772971	-0.055060	-0.003834	0.055518	1.024042

Moments:

Skewness Kurtosis  
0.6269 13.0388

Coefficient(s):

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
Gamma	4.80175	1.68225	2.854	0.00431 **

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Treshold	3.09103	0.04807	64.298	< 2e-16	***
Intercep_1	2.14814	0.35110	6.118	9.46e-10	***
AR_1(1)	0.41335	0.09777	4.228	2.36e-05	***
Intercep_2	0.30774	0.16613	1.852	0.06397	.
AR_2(1)	1.53689	0.15167	10.133	< 2e-16	***
AR_2(2)	-0.43923	0.28212	-1.557	0.11950	
AR_2(3)	-0.20225	0.18873	-1.072	0.28387	

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

sigma^2 estimated as: 0.02582  
log likelihood: 70.4  
AIC Criterion: -124.79  
SIC Criterion: -99.61  
HQ Criterion: -114.57

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Inverted Roots of the AR Polynomials:

Lower State (G=0)

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Real Imaginary Moduli  
[1,] 0.4133 0 0.4133

Upper State (G=1)

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Real Imaginary Moduli  
[1,] -0.2359 0.0000 0.2359  
[2,] 0.8864 0.2678 0.9260  
[3,] 0.8864 -0.2678 0.9260

Description:  
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```
> plot(fit0)
> d.fit0 <- diagnose(fit0)
> d.fit0
```

Title:  
Residual Diagnostics for STAR Model

Call:  
.local(object = object)

Series:  
x

Title:  
Standard Residual Diagnostics

Call:  
resid.diag(x = resid, lb.p = lag, ar.p = ar.p, arch.p = arch.p,  
all = all, title = "Standard Residual Diagnostics")

Series:  
resid

Descriptive Statistics:

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
-7.730e-01	-5.506e-02	-3.834e-03	-2.891e-13	5.552e-02	1.024e+00
MAD	St. Dev	Skew.	p-val Skew	Kurt.	p-val Kurt
8.482e-02	1.607e-01	6.324e-01	3.544e-04	1.623e+01	0.000e+00

## Jarque-Bera Normality Test:

Test Statistic (JB) = 1265 with p-value = 0  
 alternative hypothesis: resid is not normally distributed

## Durbin-Watson Test for AR(1):

Test statistic (DW) = 1.844 with p-value = 0.1523  
 alternative hypothesis: true autocorrelation is greater than 0

## Ljung-Box Autocorrelation Test:

Lag	Ljung-Box Q	p-value
Q(1)	1	0.1361605
Q(2)	2	5.1645153
Q(3)	3	5.3396853
Q(4)	4	5.3968403
Q(5)	5	5.5751136
Q(6)	6	5.5778465
Q(7)	7	5.8212793
Q(8)	8	6.2464488
Q(9)	9	6.8506686
Q(10)	10	7.7544081
Q(11)	11	8.2018375
Q(12)	12	9.3395083
Q(13)	13	9.5854177
Q(14)	14	9.6006797
Q(15)	15	9.6850113
Q(16)	16	11.1157517
Q(17)	17	14.5287749
Q(18)	18	18.7410247
Q(19)	19	21.5881724
Q(20)	20	30.8771088
Q(21)	21	30.9375099
Q(22)	22	31.5502873
Q(23)	23	31.6448516
Q(24)	24	31.6996195
Q(25)	25	31.8095171
Q(26)	26	32.1273365
Q(27)	27	35.9985814
Q(28)	28	36.1090632
Q(29)	29	36.1095005
Q(30)	30	36.4336592
Q(31)	31	36.4337054
Q(32)	32	36.4391317
Q(33)	33	36.4496017
Q(34)	34	37.2567440
Q(35)	35	37.8275093
Q(36)	36	41.7249729
Q(37)	37	57.9849489
Q(38)	38	65.2009860
Q(39)	39	76.7467548
Q(40)	40	76.7468980
Q(41)	41	76.7723555
Q(42)	42	76.9011089

Q(43) 43 77.0742677 0.0010887005

Li-McLeod Autocorrelation Test:

	Lag	Li-McLeod Q	p-value
QLM(1)	1	0.1396268	0.708652270
QLM(2)	2	5.0640152	0.079499256
QLM(3)	3	5.2515934	0.154274442
QLM(4)	4	5.3300334	0.255078533
QLM(5)	5	5.5302045	0.354645210
QLM(6)	6	5.5676955	0.473312832
QLM(7)	7	5.8392346	0.558641713
QLM(8)	8	6.2864808	0.615175751
QLM(9)	9	6.9048283	0.647027588
QLM(10)	10	7.8043805	0.647938006
QLM(11)	11	8.2823347	0.687811665
QLM(12)	12	9.3982363	0.668591773
QLM(13)	13	9.6985279	0.718381353
QLM(14)	14	9.7937819	0.777099586
QLM(15)	15	9.9570835	0.822430761
QLM(16)	16	11.3328395	0.788489865
QLM(17)	17	14.4720135	0.633453812
QLM(18)	18	18.3047478	0.435752987
QLM(19)	19	20.9187393	0.341308308
QLM(20)	20	29.1494917	0.084857299
QLM(21)	21	29.3240017	0.106437558
QLM(22)	22	29.9801650	0.118947306
QLM(23)	23	30.1948635	0.143889103
QLM(24)	24	30.3809825	0.172443554
QLM(25)	25	30.6191759	0.201940097
QLM(26)	26	31.0370148	0.226893743
QLM(27)	27	34.4200289	0.154174139
QLM(28)	28	34.6742528	0.179549112
QLM(29)	29	34.8432169	0.209734247
QLM(30)	30	35.2821788	0.232517954
QLM(31)	31	35.4624487	0.265840111
QLM(32)	32	35.6528612	0.300487120
QLM(33)	33	35.8530857	0.336090592
QLM(34)	34	36.6909074	0.345120603
QLM(35)	35	37.3437914	0.361867110
QLM(36)	36	40.5993872	0.274783366
QLM(37)	37	53.4300021	0.039324680
QLM(38)	38	59.2081103	0.015360706
QLM(39)	39	68.2600686	0.002575945
QLM(40)	40	68.4927354	0.003336802
QLM(41)	41	68.7502737	0.004257809
QLM(42)	42	69.0906548	0.005286005
QLM(43)	43	69.4690312	0.006458892

McLeod-Li Squared Autocorrelation Test:

	Lag	McLeod-Li Q	p-value
QLM(1)	1	17.70888	2.574223e-05
QLM(2)	2	19.60768	5.523895e-05
QLM(3)	3	19.62182	2.032969e-04
QLM(4)	4	19.63084	5.905559e-04
QLM(5)	5	19.65081	1.452984e-03
QLM(6)	6	19.80103	3.004445e-03
QLM(7)	7	19.92443	5.735253e-03
QLM(8)	8	19.97919	1.041507e-02
QLM(9)	9	20.10413	1.728052e-02

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QLM(10)	10	20.27982	2.671446e-02
QLM(11)	11	20.29197	4.149366e-02
QLM(12)	12	20.32320	6.121386e-02
QLM(13)	13	20.40420	8.557981e-02
QLM(14)	14	20.46826	1.160558e-01
QLM(15)	15	20.58507	1.506185e-01
QLM(16)	16	20.64690	1.924860e-01
QLM(17)	17	20.68085	2.408920e-01
QLM(18)	18	22.03442	2.304605e-01
QLM(19)	19	24.71070	1.702868e-01
QLM(20)	20	27.49596	1.218784e-01
QLM(21)	21	27.50218	1.548427e-01
QLM(22)	22	27.60428	1.891689e-01
QLM(23)	23	27.73878	2.258211e-01
QLM(24)	24	27.83440	2.670867e-01
QLM(25)	25	27.83593	3.154616e-01
QLM(26)	26	27.86354	3.652060e-01
QLM(27)	27	27.86383	4.180200e-01
QLM(28)	28	28.05723	4.614177e-01
QLM(29)	29	28.22447	5.059366e-01
QLM(30)	30	28.42679	5.478312e-01
QLM(31)	31	28.60428	5.898346e-01
QLM(32)	32	28.77934	6.303462e-01
QLM(33)	33	28.90144	6.714740e-01
QLM(34)	34	28.91171	7.152619e-01
QLM(35)	35	28.96812	7.536784e-01
QLM(36)	36	29.89088	7.534650e-01
QLM(37)	37	36.62810	4.863255e-01
QLM(38)	38	73.34027	5.014579e-04
QLM(39)	39	91.70509	3.923476e-06
QLM(40)	40	91.97477	5.680788e-06
QLM(41)	41	91.98157	8.801689e-06
QLM(42)	42	91.98246	1.349547e-05
QLM(43)	43	92.01061	2.028937e-05

LM Tests for Autoregression:

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
AR(1)	0.1485531	0.6999219	0.1469433	0.7019555
AR(4)	2.2088327	0.6974125	0.5429115	0.7044360

LM Tests for ARCH:

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
ARCH(1)	19.186534	1.185467e-05	21.358608	7.528472e-06
ARCH(4)	6.267205	1.800621e-01	1.579078	1.822871e-01

LM Tests for Autoregression (residuals are not othogonalized wrt gradient):

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
AR(1)	8.244648	0.004087232	8.206385	0.0047277977
AR(4)	20.873004	0.000335566	5.532956	0.0003426893

LM Tests for Serial Independence (residuals are othogonalized wrt gradient):

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
LM_SI(1)	8.244648	4.087232e-03	8.206385	4.727798e-03
LM_SI(2)	26.337096	1.909732e-06	14.666052	1.417939e-06
LM_SI(3)	20.014945	1.685362e-04	7.075344	1.714905e-04
LM_SI(4)	20.873004	3.355660e-04	5.532956	3.426893e-04
LM_SI(5)	21.846650	5.599329e-04	4.635627	5.718895e-04
LM_SI(6)	24.270935	4.655907e-04	4.338303	4.526538e-04
LM_SI(7)	24.511212	9.259795e-04	3.738663	9.236721e-04
LM_SI(8)	25.207665	1.433444e-03	3.359997	1.443207e-03
LM_SI(9)	25.053725	2.912322e-03	2.946271	3.040830e-03
LM_SI(10)	27.072505	2.536427e-03	2.889286	2.560106e-03
LM_SI(11)	27.493577	3.868029e-03	2.658427	3.978060e-03
LM_SI(12)	27.942156	5.640844e-03	2.468553	5.902404e-03
LM_SI(13)	28.385837	7.991853e-03	2.306998	8.504870e-03
LM_SI(14)	28.929237	1.068311e-02	2.177308	1.152293e-02
LM_SI(15)	31.377700	7.816789e-03	2.231351	8.044128e-03
LM_SI(16)	35.062551	3.896705e-03	2.391865	3.580982e-03
LM_SI(17)	37.632944	2.759663e-03	2.451977	2.329635e-03
LM_SI(18)	41.432244	1.326586e-03	2.617351	9.333306e-04
LM_SI(19)	41.871647	1.844462e-03	2.498688	1.338187e-03
LM_SI(20)	42.440483	2.422170e-03	2.401717	1.795721e-03
LM_SI(21)	42.038389	4.161247e-03	2.241368	3.355968e-03
LM_SI(22)	44.650207	2.938579e-03	2.311790	2.112320e-03
LM_SI(23)	45.231833	3.722563e-03	2.236321	2.733672e-03
LM_SI(24)	44.958592	5.891067e-03	2.108860	4.683317e-03
LM_SI(25)	45.060608	8.230478e-03	2.015672	6.885510e-03
LM_SI(26)	48.086110	5.279793e-03	2.115534	3.817104e-03
LM_SI(27)	53.144399	1.933344e-03	2.357115	9.667667e-04
LM_SI(28)	53.961352	2.262148e-03	2.311637	1.132169e-03
LM_SI(29)	53.724081	3.480143e-03	2.199594	1.936591e-03
LM_SI(30)	53.618508	5.068651e-03	2.103127	3.082914e-03
LM_SI(31)	54.184440	6.138696e-03	2.053598	3.830761e-03
LM_SI(32)	53.869142	9.125578e-03	1.954480	6.309350e-03
LM_SI(33)	55.453482	8.517330e-03	1.971118	5.526555e-03
LM_SI(34)	58.066871	6.216842e-03	2.051133	3.395047e-03
LM_SI(35)	58.164930	8.261484e-03	1.981534	4.861847e-03
LM_SI(36)	58.701382	9.814207e-03	1.940716	5.950442e-03
LM_SI(37)	68.973881	1.101426e-03	2.541029	1.772915e-04
LM_SI(38)	74.636182	3.545136e-04	2.911566	1.969696e-05
LM_SI(39)	81.650189	7.541630e-05	3.506325	6.513540e-07
LM_SI(40)	64.180755	8.975921e-03	1.987335	4.254538e-03
LM_SI(41)	64.036333	1.217937e-02	1.912569	6.471471e-03
LM_SI(42)	66.655447	9.073288e-03	2.004320	3.824709e-03
LM_SI(43)	66.577730	1.205616e-02	1.934709	5.699343e-03

LM Tests for Serial Independence (residuals are othogonalized wrt gradient):

Estimation Method:  
Least Squares

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LM_SI(4)	20.873004	3.355660e-04	5.532956	3.426893e-04



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LM_SI(5)	21.846650	5.599329e-04	4.635627	5.718895e-04
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LM_SI(7)	24.511212	9.259795e-04	3.738663	9.236721e-04
LM_SI(8)	25.207665	1.433444e-03	3.359997	1.443207e-03
LM_SI(9)	25.053725	2.912322e-03	2.946271	3.040830e-03
LM_SI(10)	27.072505	2.536427e-03	2.889286	2.560106e-03
LM_SI(11)	27.493577	3.868029e-03	2.658427	3.978060e-03
LM_SI(12)	27.942156	5.640844e-03	2.468553	5.902404e-03
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LM_SI(16)	35.062551	3.896705e-03	2.391865	3.580982e-03
LM_SI(17)	37.632944	2.759663e-03	2.451977	2.329635e-03
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LM_SI(25)	45.060608	8.230478e-03	2.015672	6.885510e-03
LM_SI(26)	48.086110	5.279793e-03	2.115534	3.817104e-03
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LM_SI(29)	53.724081	3.480143e-03	2.199594	1.936591e-03
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LM_SI(38)	74.636182	3.545136e-04	2.911566	1.969696e-05
LM_SI(39)	81.650189	7.541630e-05	3.506325	6.513540e-07
LM_SI(40)	64.180755	8.975921e-03	1.987335	4.254538e-03
LM_SI(41)	64.036333	1.217937e-02	1.912569	6.471471e-03
LM_SI(42)	66.655447	9.073288e-03	2.004320	3.824709e-03
LM_SI(43)	66.577730	1.205616e-02	1.934709	5.699343e-03

LM Tests for Parameter Constancy (all variables):

Estimation Method:

Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
LM.C1	23.44417	2.838427e-03	3.077370	3.009855e-03
LM.C2	44.12279	1.889511e-04	3.191623	1.018119e-04
LM.C3	63.33790	2.126830e-05	3.400184	3.009454e-06

Note: Parameter space has no holes in lag specification

LM Tests for No Remaining Nonlinearity (all variables):

Estimation Method:

Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
LM.RNL1[x(t-1)]	38.478655	6.140110e-06	5.6195793	2.885163e-06
LM.RNL1[x(t-2)]	43.548334	6.923944e-07	6.6109887	2.001248e-07
LM.RNL1[x(t-3)]	38.140286	7.092044e-06	5.5560822	3.428289e-06

LM.RNL1[x(t-4)]	40.758441	2.312975e-06	6.0559292	8.861559e-07
LM.RNL1[x(t-5)]	31.665374	1.069091e-04	4.4000174	8.103281e-05
LM.RNL1[x(t-6)]	20.286474	9.304891e-03	2.6074554	1.053205e-02
LM.RNL1[x(t-7)]	13.107498	1.082041e-01	1.6086109	1.263517e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-8)]	3.308653	9.135224e-01	0.3824661	9.287154e-01
LM.RNL2[x(t-1)]	94.112066	4.343192e-13	11.1767839	0.000000e+00
LM.RNL2[x(t-2)]	74.320656	1.726453e-09	7.0379881	7.280954e-12
LM.RNL2[x(t-3)]	67.112290	3.179764e-08	5.9186028	7.100751e-10
LM.RNL2[x(t-4)]	59.058640	7.534564e-07	4.8369563	7.178088e-08
LM.RNL2[x(t-5)]	42.430468	3.402736e-04	3.0291213	2.084619e-04
LM.RNL2[x(t-6)]	27.180337	3.952174e-02	1.7360772	4.576034e-02
LM.RNL2[x(t-7)]	24.317956	8.278634e-02	1.5231445	9.853609e-02
LM.RNL2[x(t-8)]	16.645446	4.088908e-01	0.9910902	4.695739e-01
LM.RNL3[x(t-1)]	112.742957	1.865175e-13	11.0985499	0.000000e+00
LM.RNL3[x(t-2)]	95.492051	1.744793e-10	7.2807723	5.107026e-15
LM.RNL3[x(t-3)]	84.268967	1.252999e-08	5.6031368	1.921896e-11
LM.RNL3[x(t-4)]	66.839401	6.514231e-06	3.7076292	5.345558e-07
LM.RNL3[x(t-5)]	50.943041	1.072428e-03	2.4547762	6.021544e-04
LM.RNL3[x(t-6)]	49.939813	1.441147e-03	2.3866552	8.745943e-04
LM.RNL3[x(t-7)]	57.449712	1.450174e-04	2.9255563	4.368671e-05
LM.RNL3[x(t-8)]	22.386094	5.562341e-01	0.8728169	6.378374e-01

LM Tests for Constancy of Variance:

Estimation Method:

Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
LM.C1	1.904381	0.1675887	1.9033109	0.1695202
LM.C2	2.008186	0.3663767	0.9982348	0.3706917
LM.C3	4.232780	0.2374004	1.4128844	0.2408154

LM Tests for Nonlinearity in Variance:

Estimation Method:

Least Squares

	X-Squared	p-val(X-Sq.)	F	p-val(F)
LM.RNL1[x(t-1)]	0.57566317	4.480173e-01	0.57088008	4.509550e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-2)]	0.53447470	4.647317e-01	0.52990652	4.676476e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-3)]	0.39593267	5.291973e-01	0.39223170	5.319687e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-4)]	0.33058135	5.653170e-01	0.32736658	5.679697e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-5)]	0.21590182	6.421804e-01	0.21365953	6.445051e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-6)]	0.11277136	7.370108e-01	0.11153319	7.388169e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-7)]	0.05206998	8.194997e-01	0.05148010	8.207801e-01
LM.RNL1[x(t-8)]	0.01990973	8.877895e-01	0.01968050	8.885991e-01
LM.RNL2[x(t-1)]	15.12077142	5.206744e-04	8.14451471	4.198811e-04
LM.RNL2[x(t-2)]	14.33917028	7.696420e-04	7.68523096	6.390105e-04
LM.RNL2[x(t-3)]	12.90059462	1.580052e-03	6.85169277	1.376700e-03
LM.RNL2[x(t-4)]	11.52391166	3.144955e-03	6.06801017	2.851144e-03
LM.RNL2[x(t-5)]	9.30289747	9.547760e-03	4.83164620	9.108375e-03
LM.RNL2[x(t-6)]	6.20311482	4.497910e-02	3.16147798	4.487963e-02
LM.RNL2[x(t-7)]	3.70238246	1.570500e-01	1.85891709	1.590137e-01
LM.RNL2[x(t-8)]	1.88489172	3.896736e-01	0.93626811	3.941124e-01
LM.RNL3[x(t-1)]	42.10931551	3.803439e-09	18.15466350	2.983948e-10
LM.RNL3[x(t-2)]	37.05024819	4.490108e-08	15.37471445	6.954213e-09
LM.RNL3[x(t-3)]	22.72809185	4.601095e-05	8.52654166	2.646776e-05
LM.RNL3[x(t-4)]	17.85101835	4.720895e-04	6.48500572	3.530288e-04
LM.RNL3[x(t-5)]	10.14503210	1.737270e-02	3.51006710	1.660556e-02
LM.RNL3[x(t-6)]	6.53898179	8.813777e-02	2.21310726	8.845744e-02
LM.RNL3[x(t-7)]	6.05511161	1.089595e-01	2.04336665	1.097411e-01

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LM.RNL3[x(t-8)] 5.63264727 1.309166e-01 1.89597443 1.321874e-01  
> plot(d.fit0)  
>  
> p.fit0 <- predict(fit0,n.ahead=50)  
> summary(p.fit0)
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Call:  
predict.STAR(object = fit0, n.ahead = 50)
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Forecast method: Parametric bootstrap of estimated LSTAR model

Model Information:

Forecast method: LSTAR(p1,p2) with transition variable = x(t-8)

In-sample error measures:

	ME	MSE	MAE	MPE	MAPE
	-2.890504e-13	2.582457e-02	9.300264e-02	-3.364215e-03	3.177340e-02

Forecasts:

	Point Forecast
181	3.396657
182	3.446944
183	3.445760
184	3.558531
185	3.565459
186	3.565352
187	3.618579
188	3.614682
189	3.585571
190	3.499631
191	3.381018
192	3.249355
193	3.106589
194	2.974293
195	2.860142
196	2.773016
197	2.724879
198	2.698270
199	2.699779
200	2.745929
201	2.878495
202	3.108018
203	3.284578
204	3.353775
205	3.425258
206	3.508282
207	3.537093
208	3.558349
209	3.591063
210	3.600309
211	3.585543
212	3.519689
213	3.443970
214	3.342047
215	3.217845
216	3.100669
217	2.995065
218	2.900368

219	2.828573
220	2.775311
221	2.748712
222	2.754600
223	2.807512
224	2.949090
225	3.162719
226	3.307292
227	3.364281
228	3.455928
229	3.511543
230	3.533755

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> plot(p.fit0)
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>
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> i.fit0 <- impulse(fit0,n.ahead=20)
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Calculating GIRF:.....
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.....done
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> plot(i.fit0)
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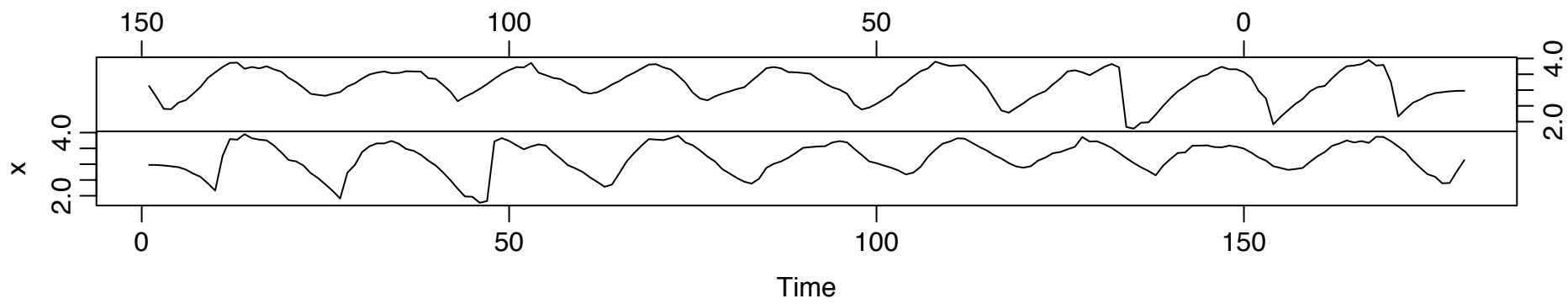
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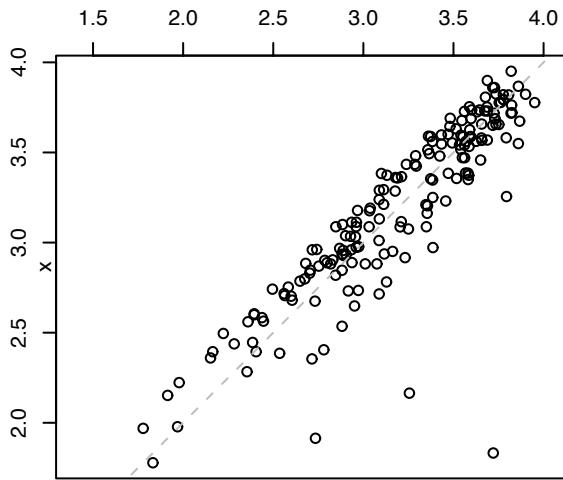
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> s.fit0 <- simulate(fit0,nsim=100)
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> plot(s.fit0)
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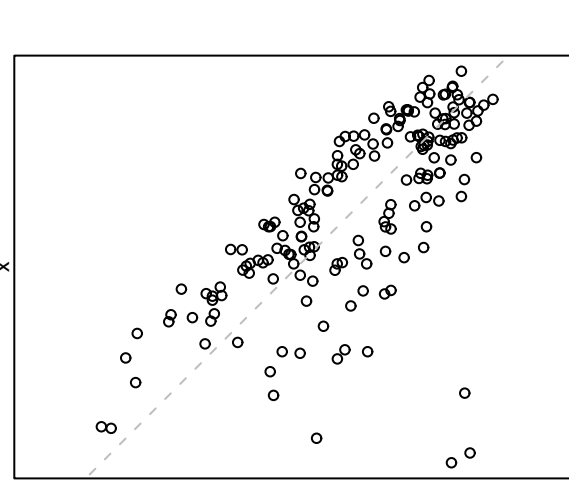
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### Reverse plot of x

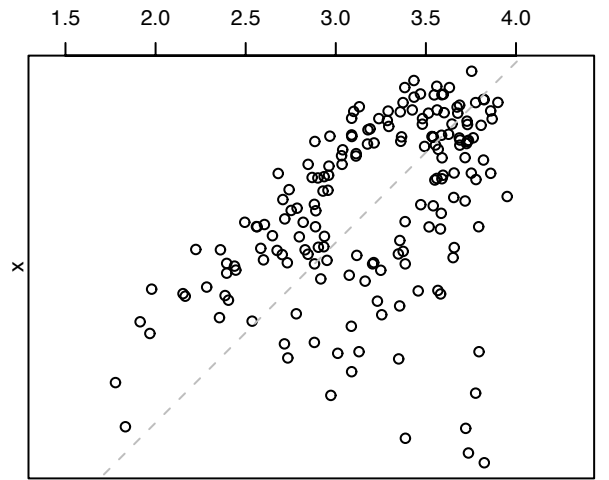




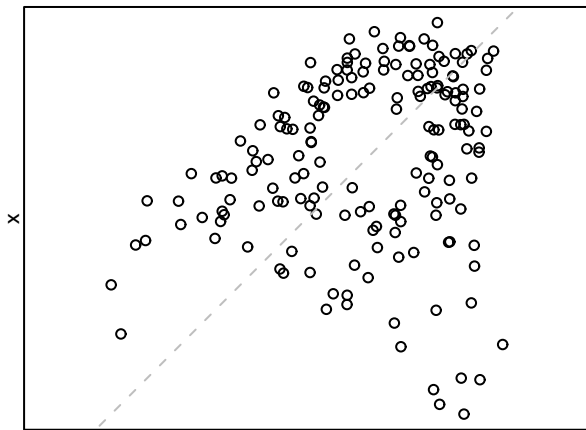
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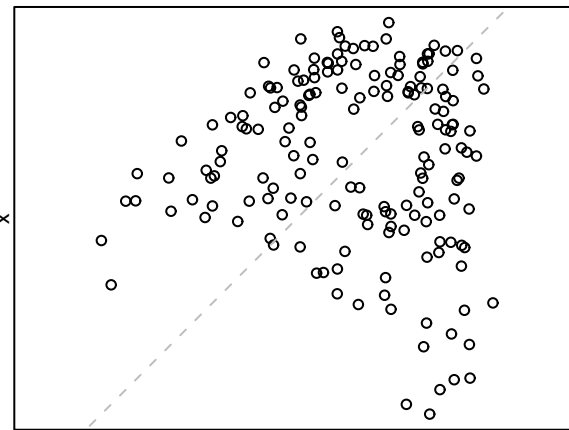
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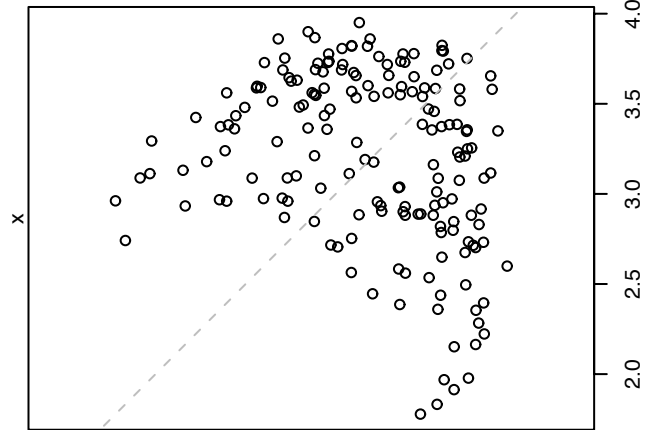
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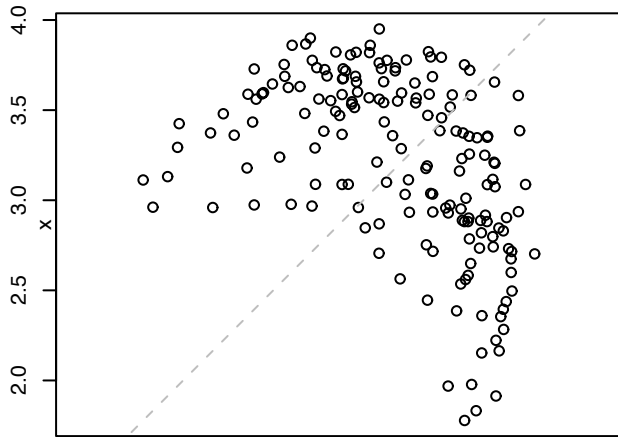
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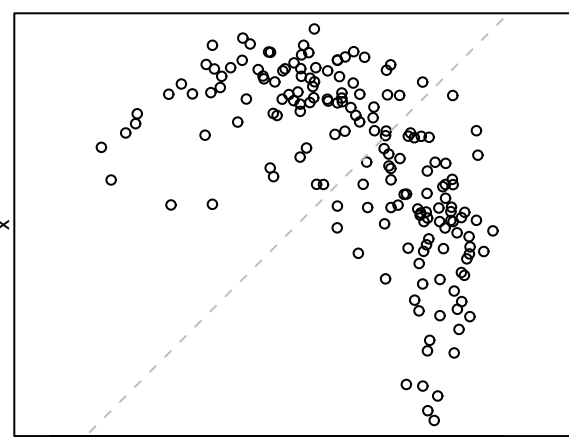
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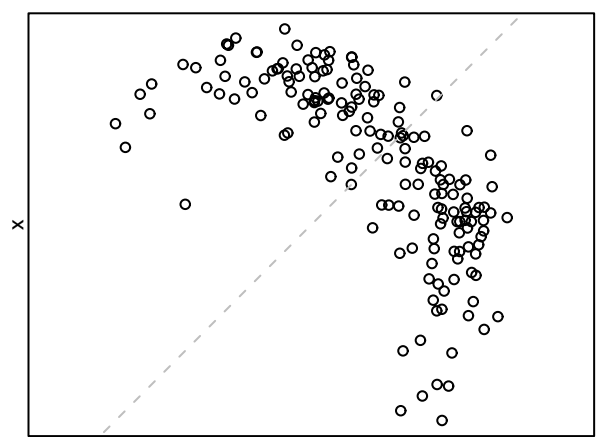
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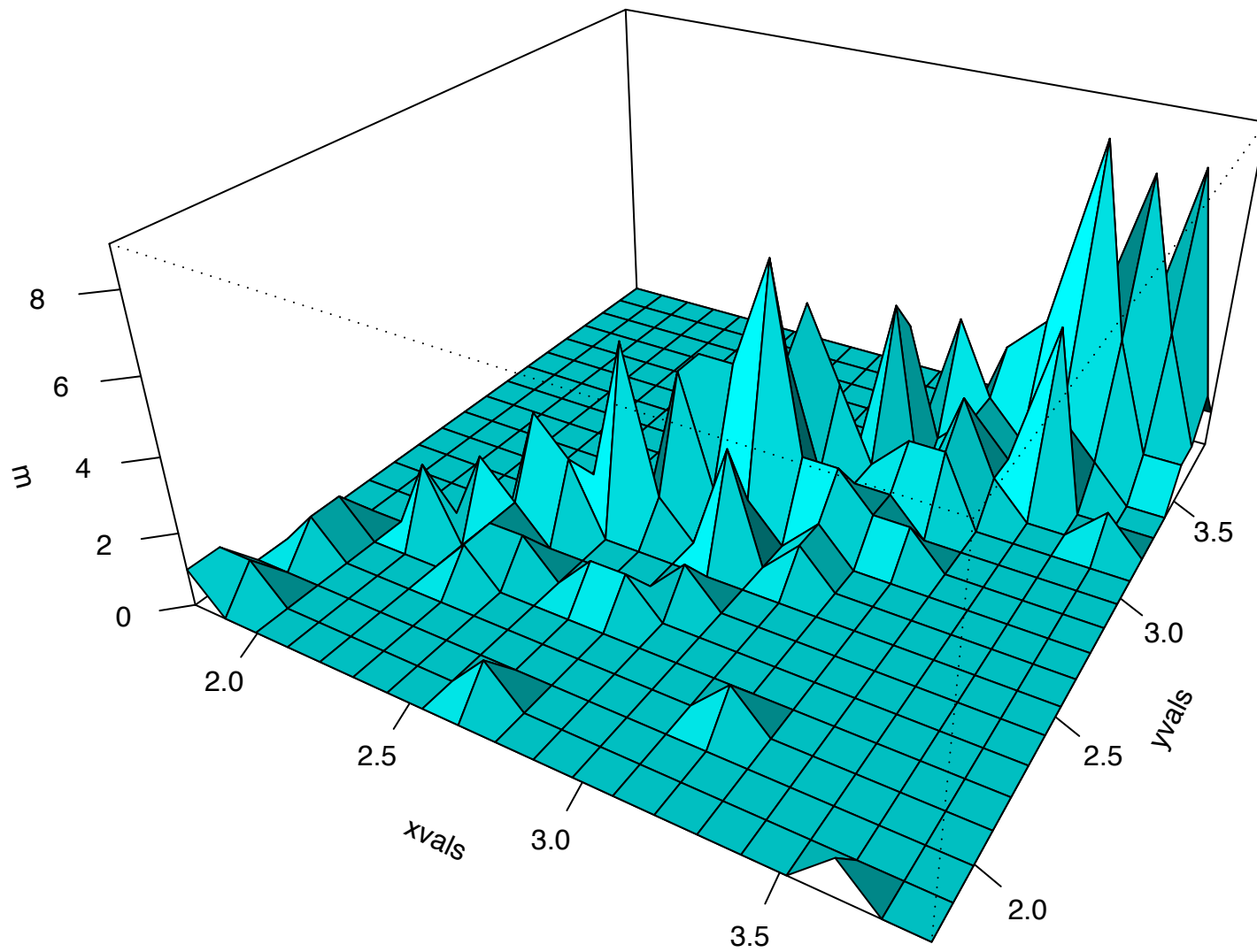
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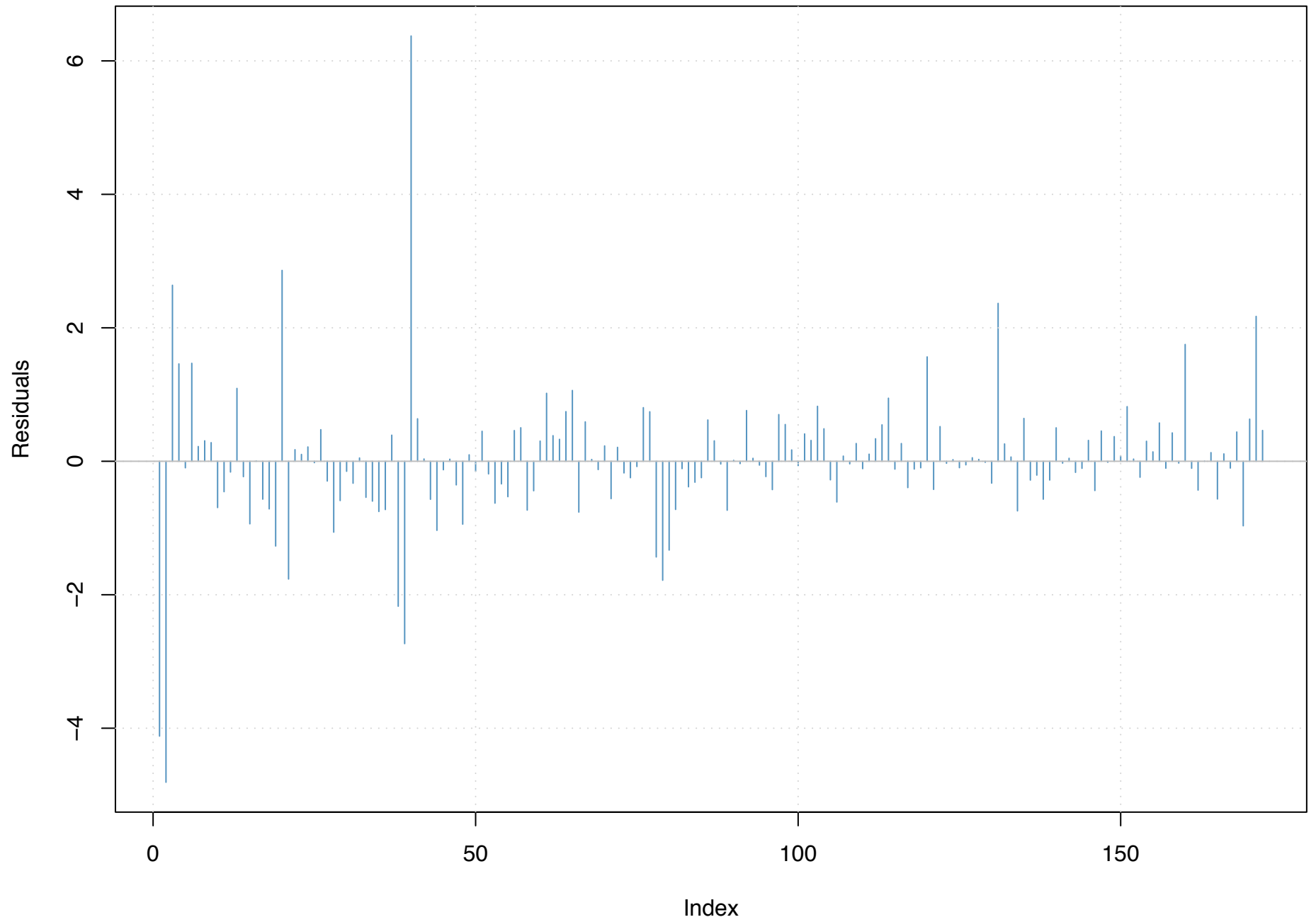
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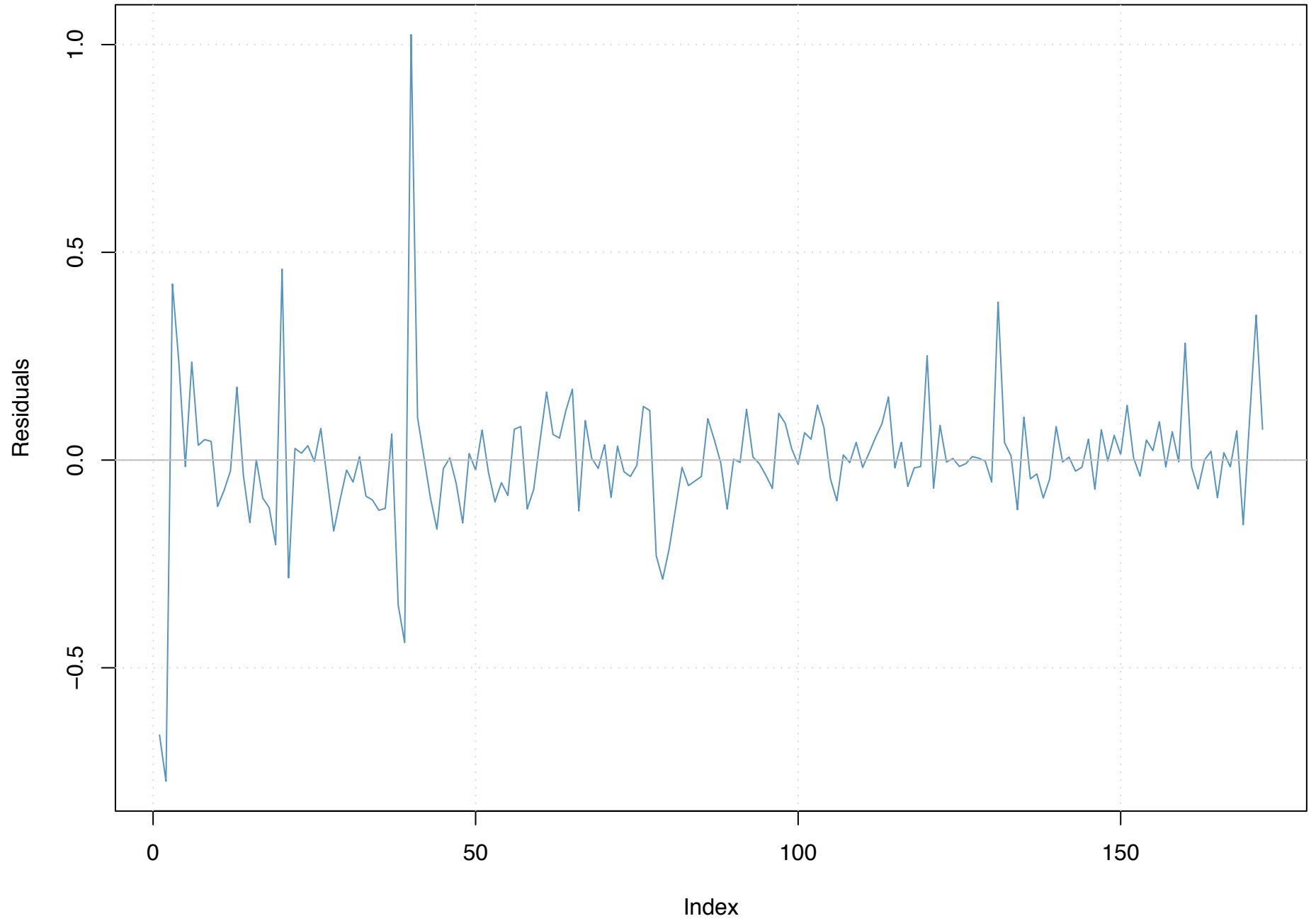


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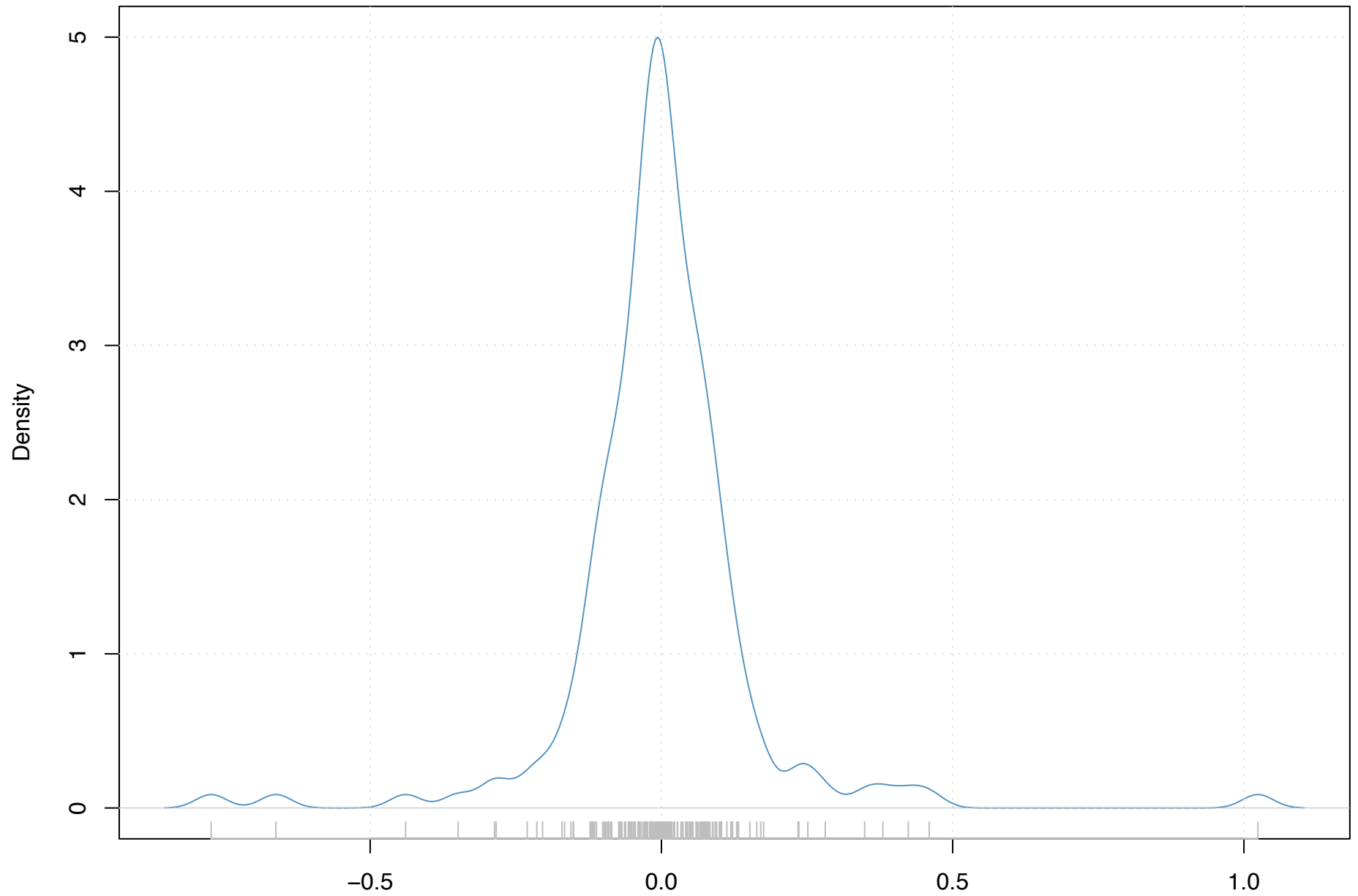




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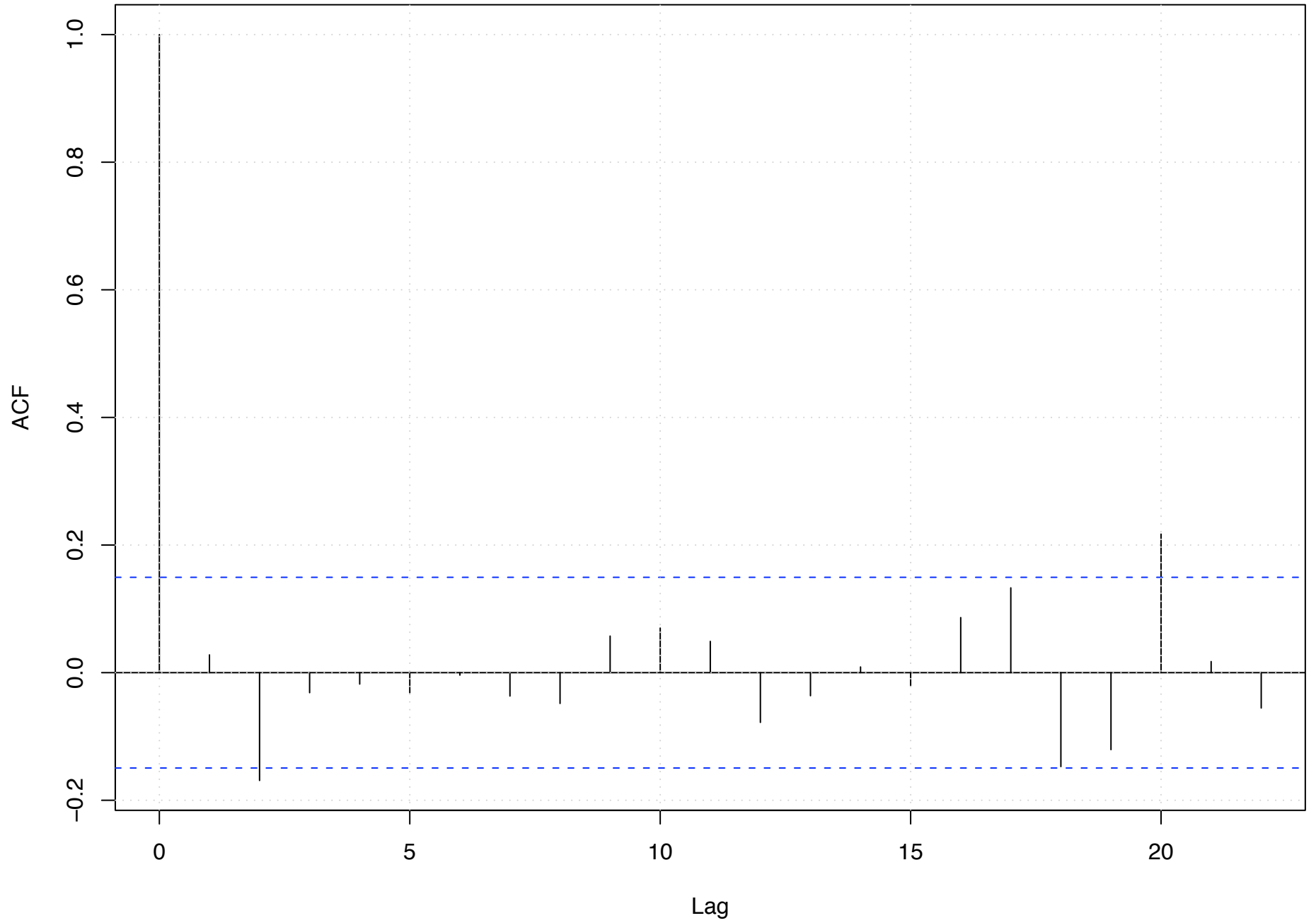


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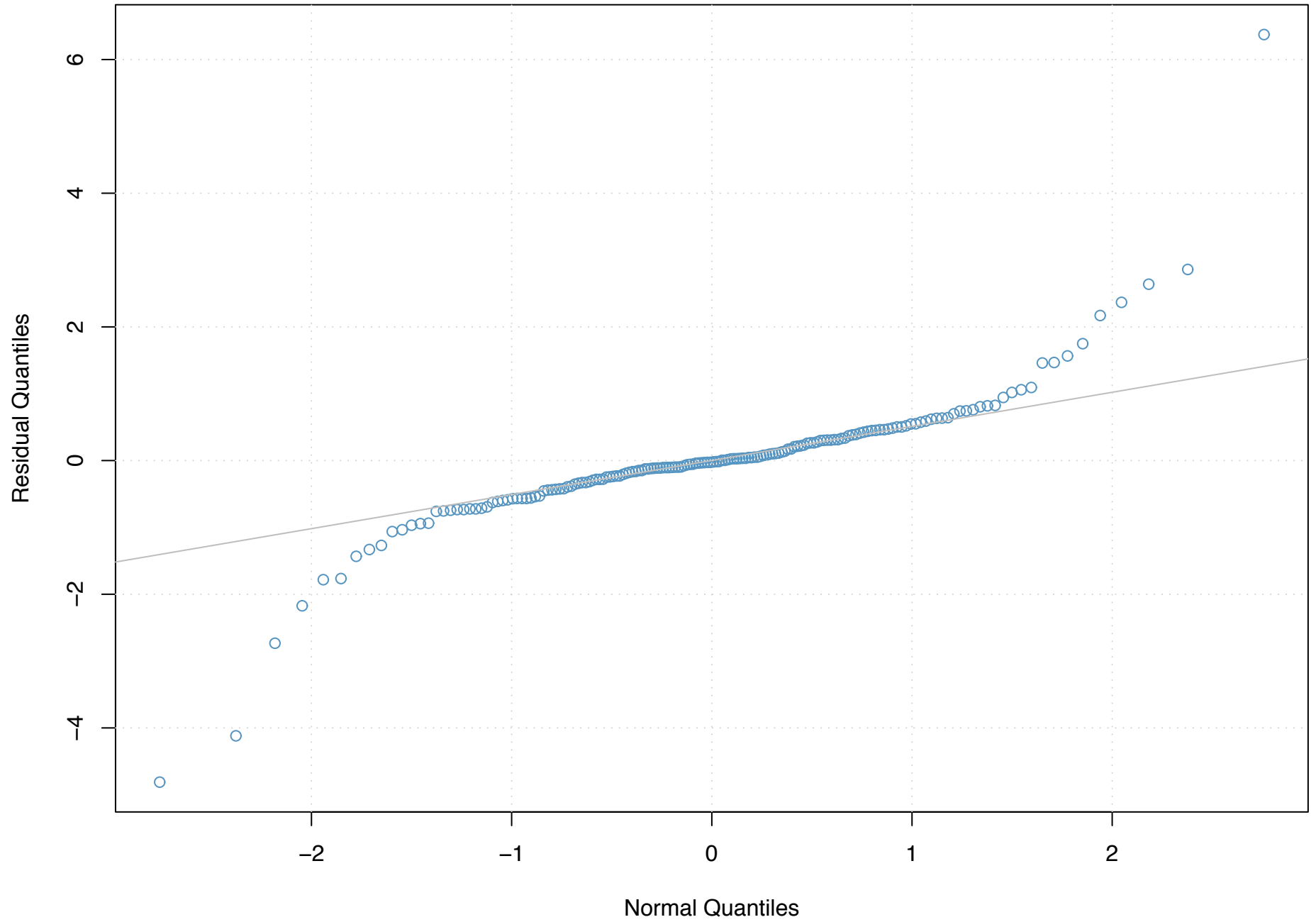


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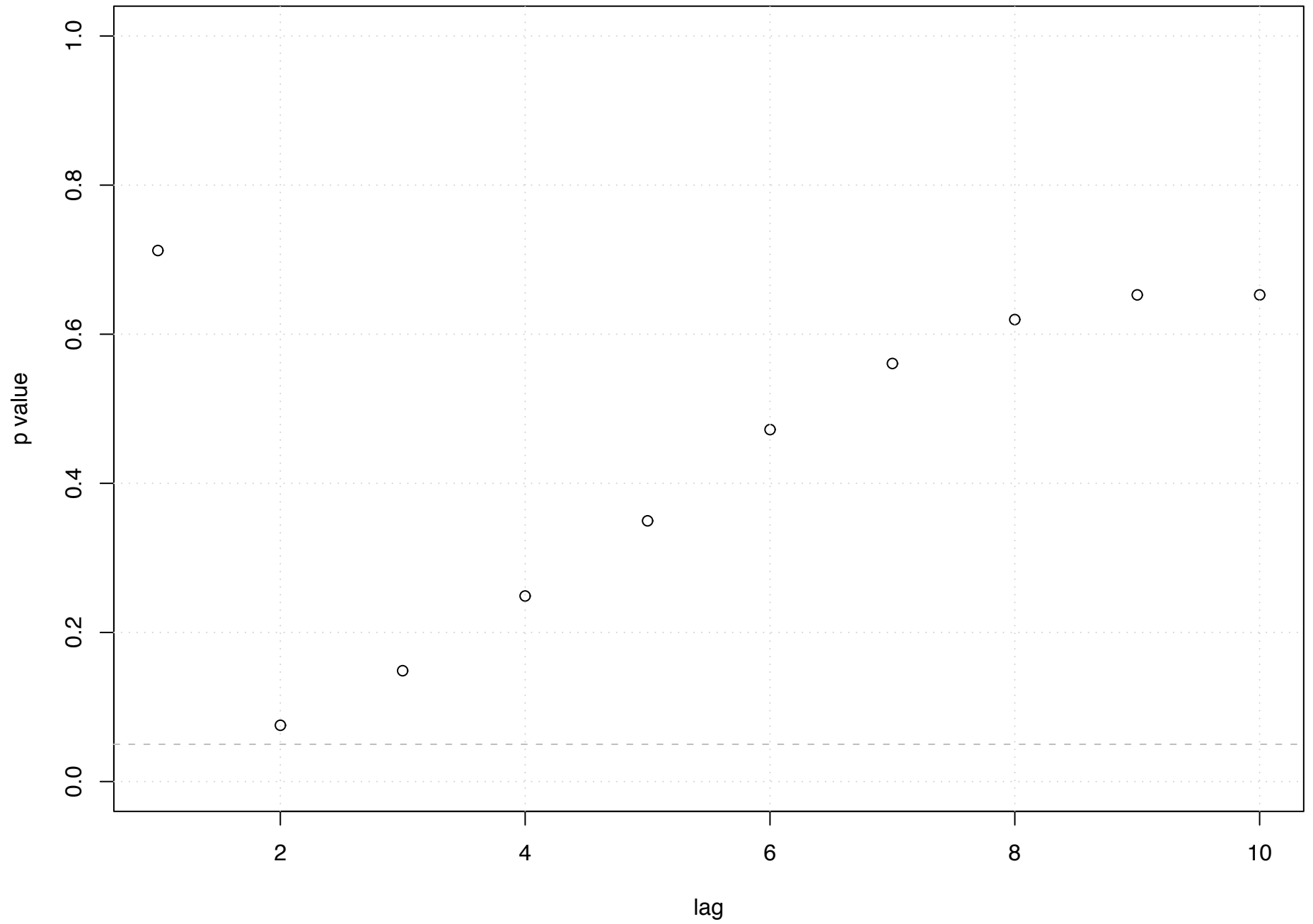
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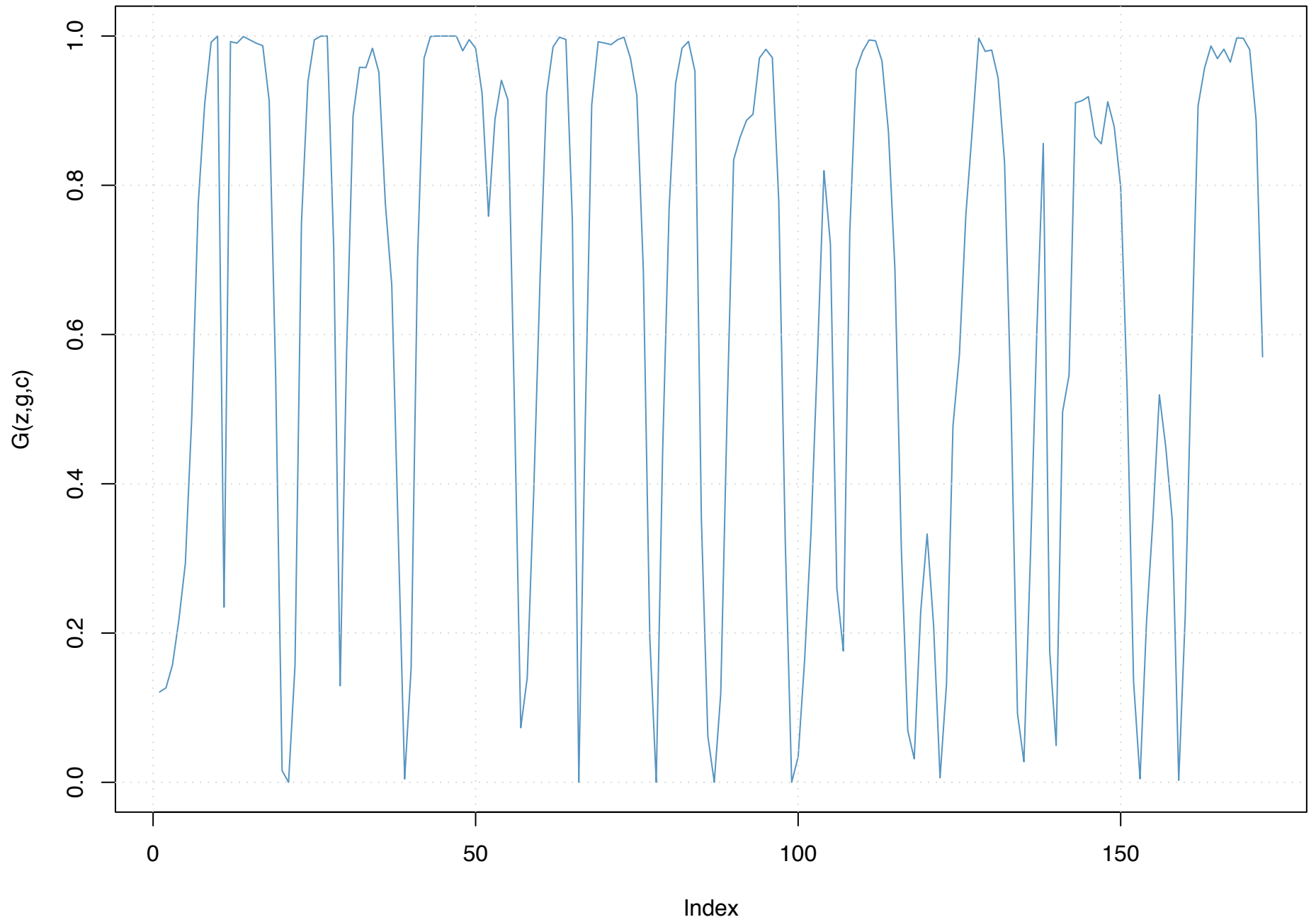
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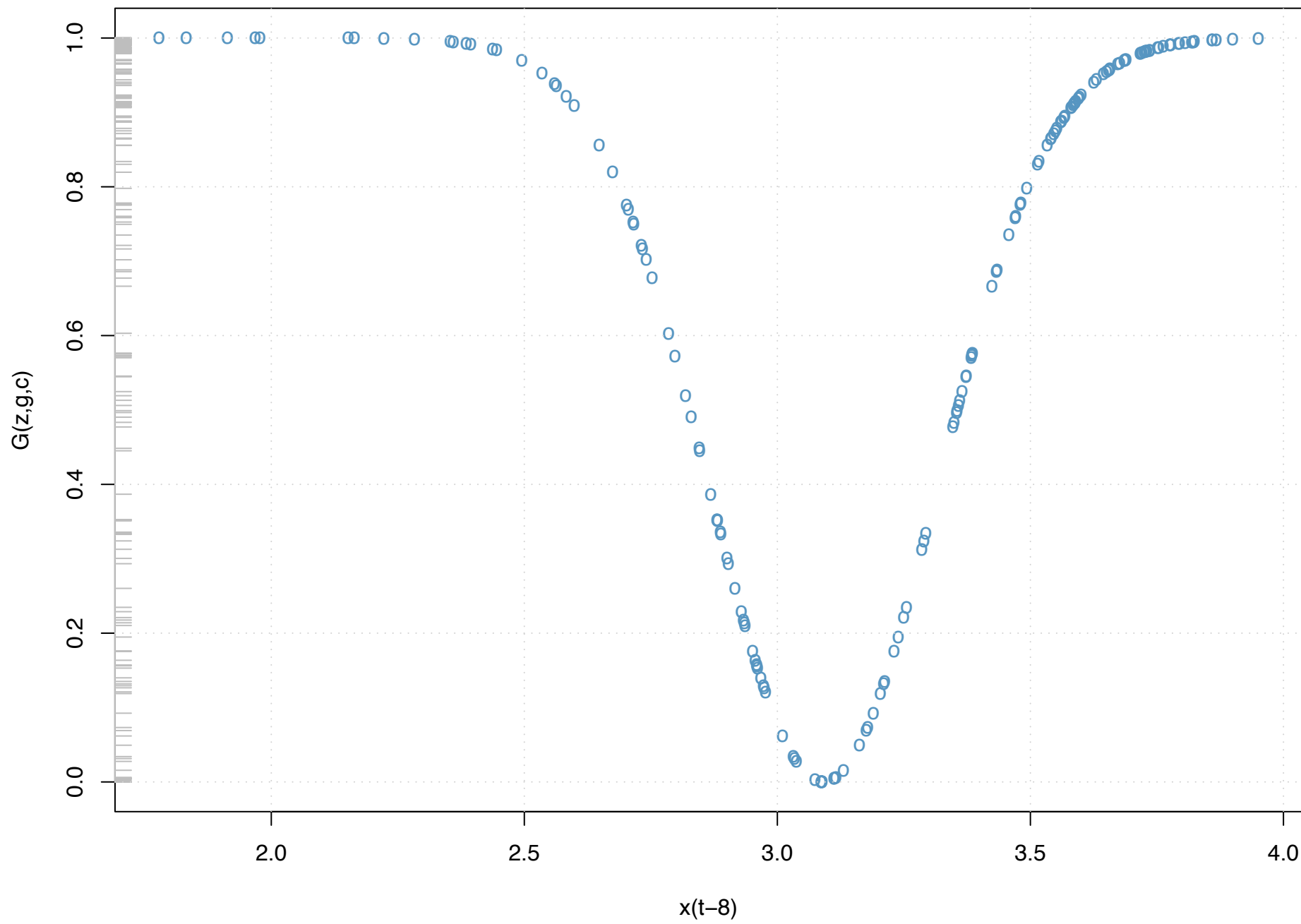
# Ljung-Box p-values



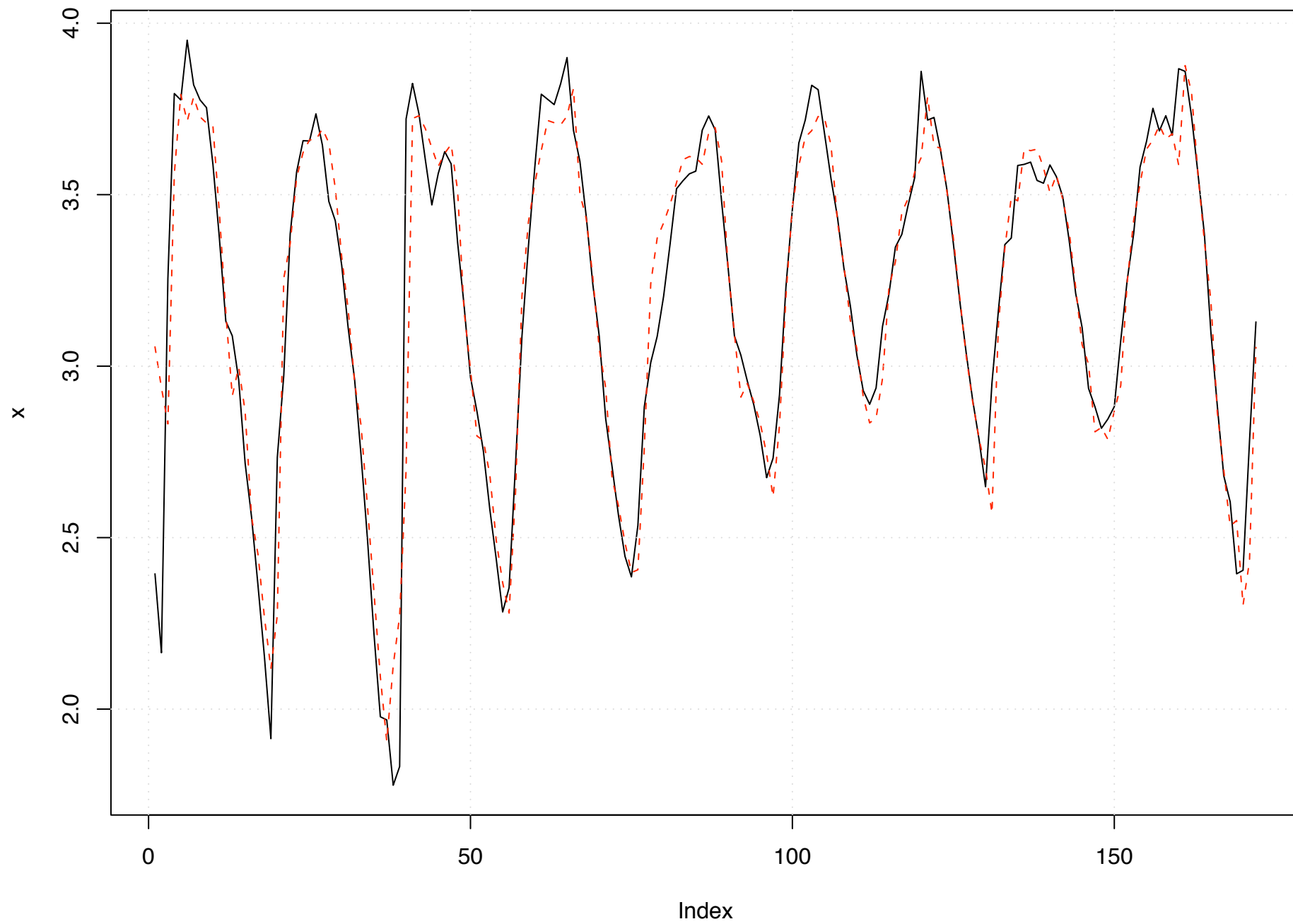
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Transition Function vs Transition Variable

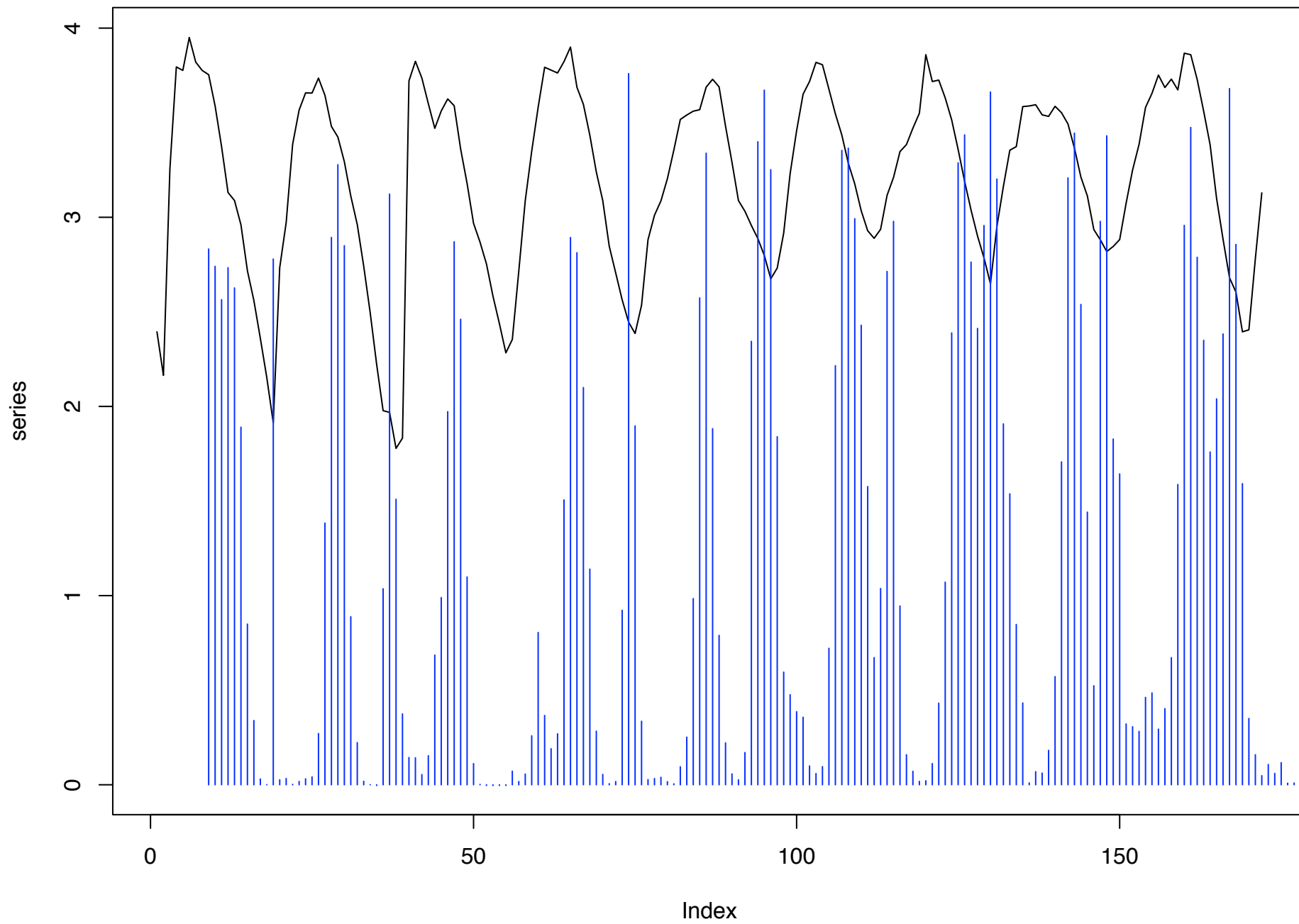


**x and Fitted Values**

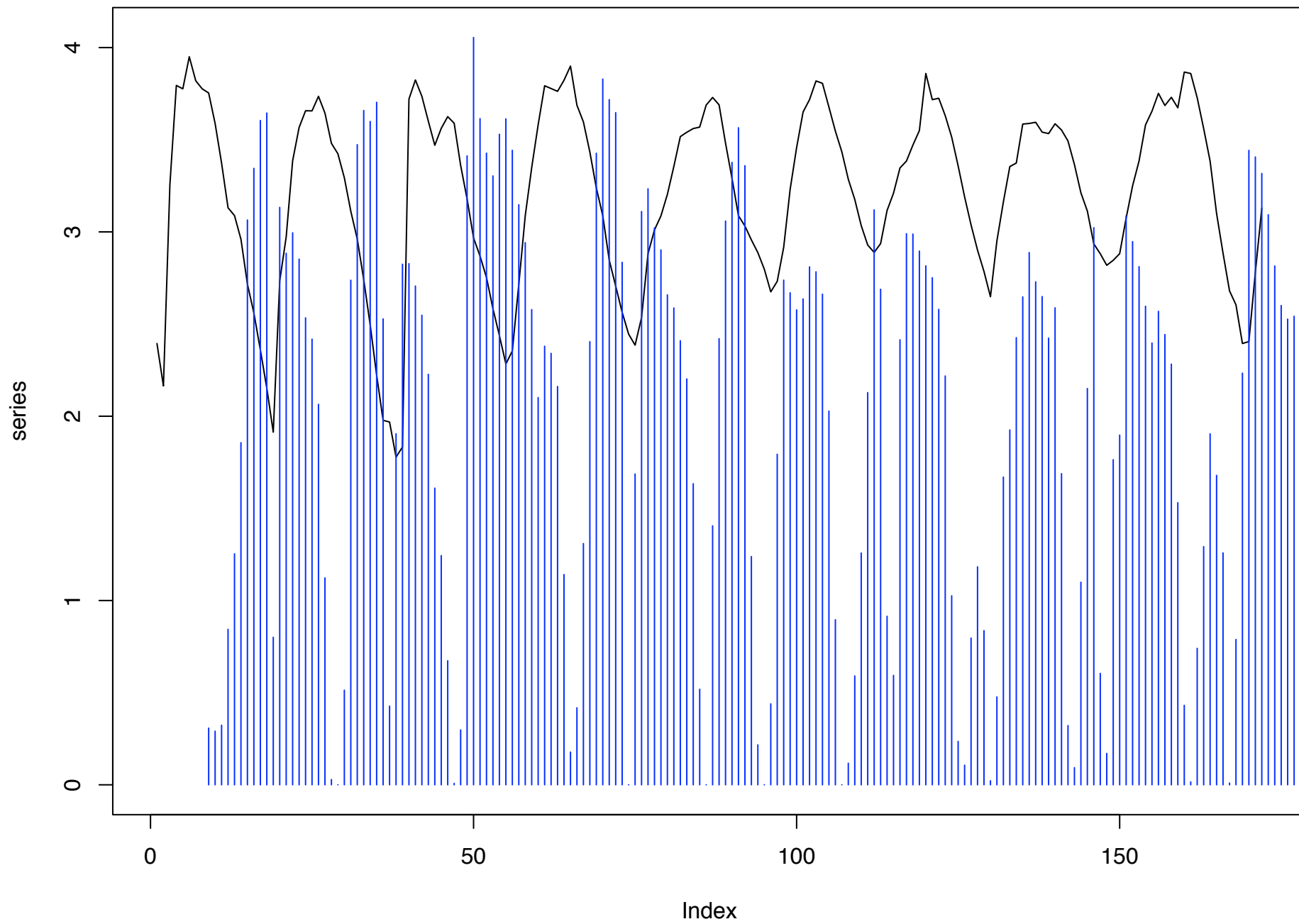




**x and Lower State**

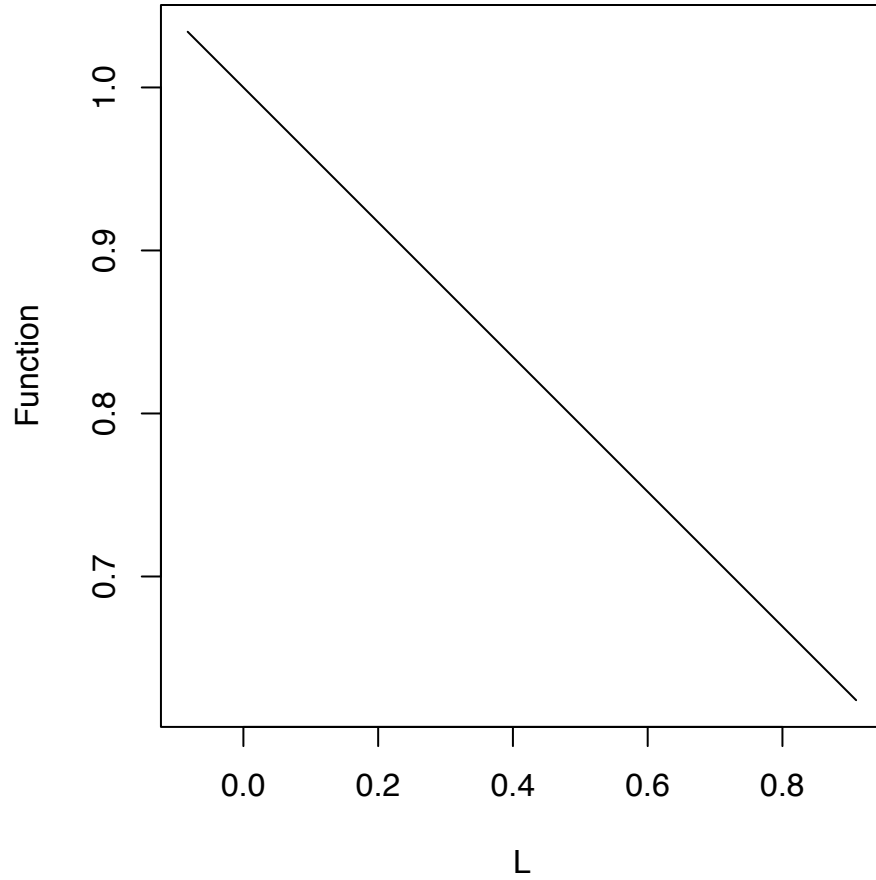


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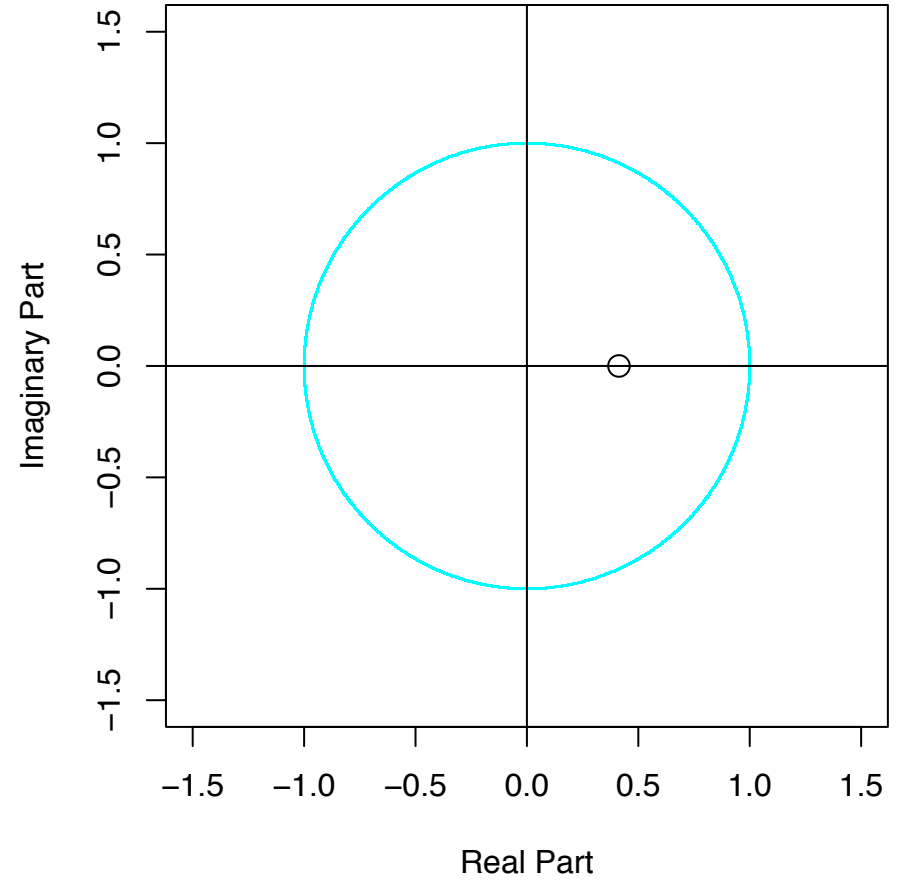


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## Polynomial Function versus L

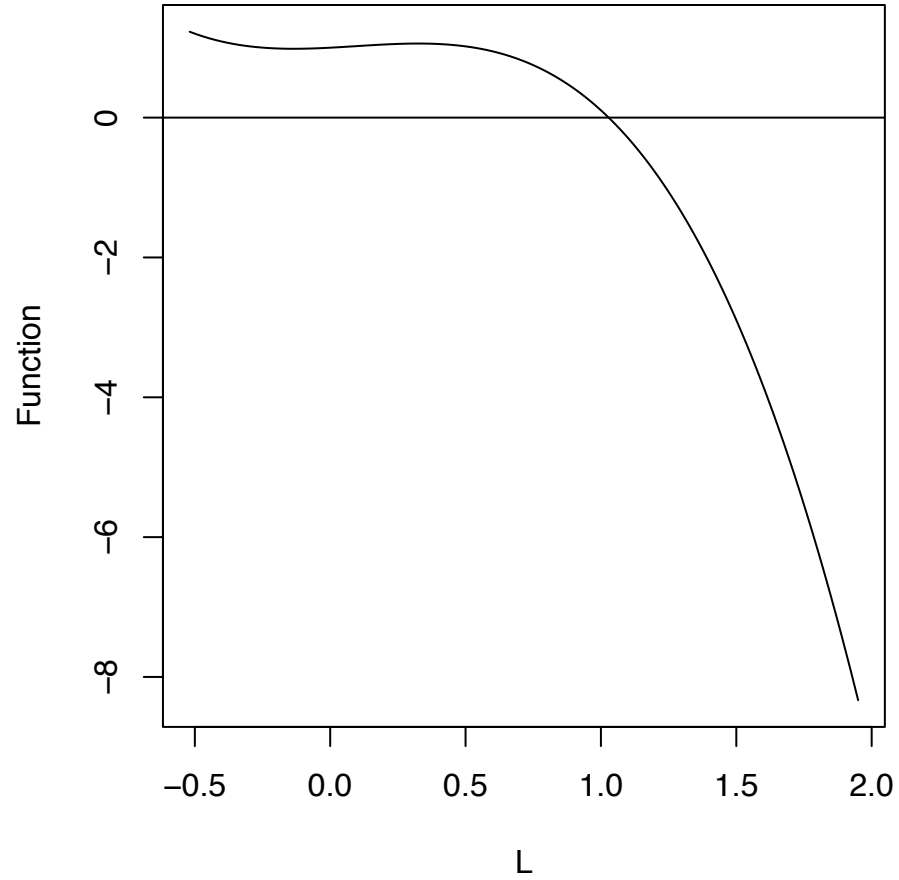


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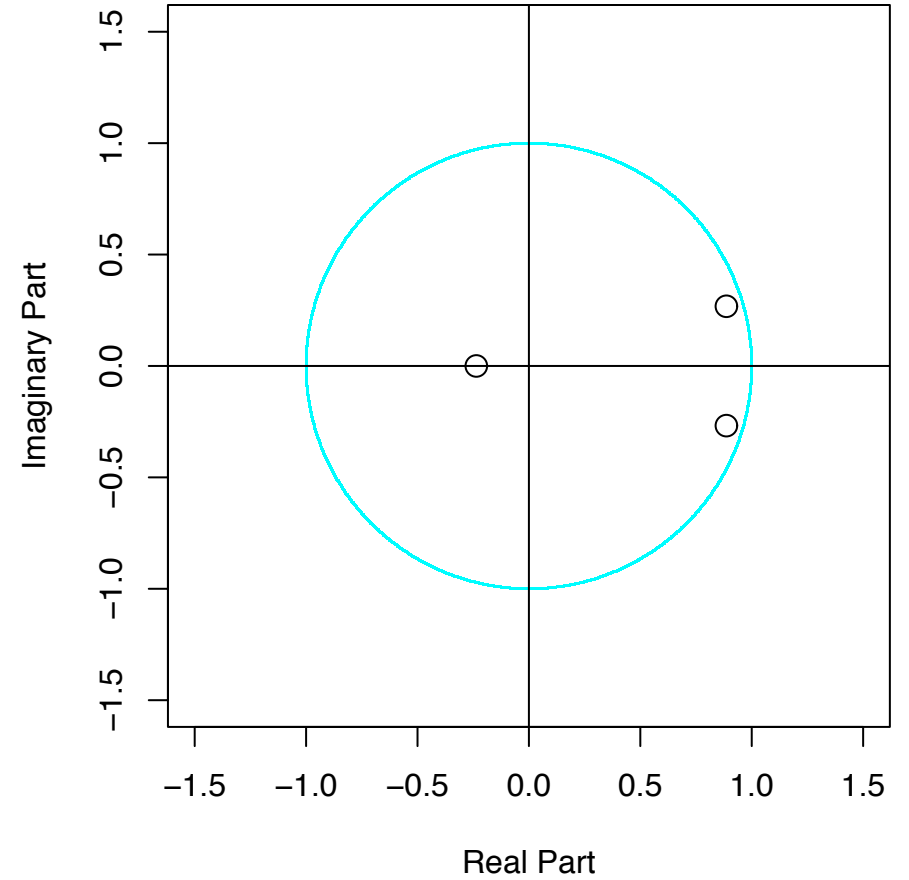


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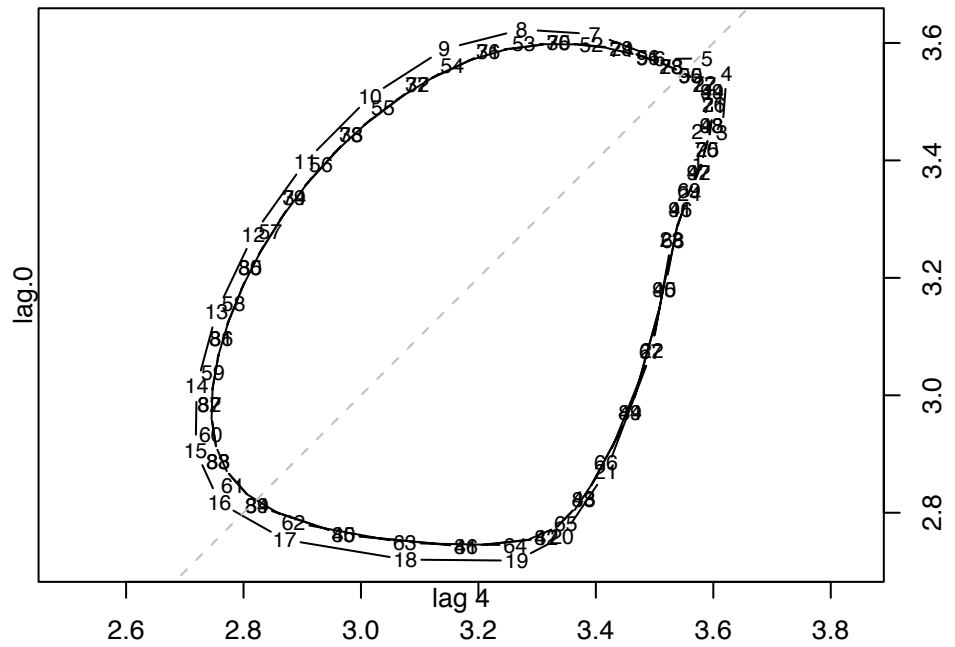
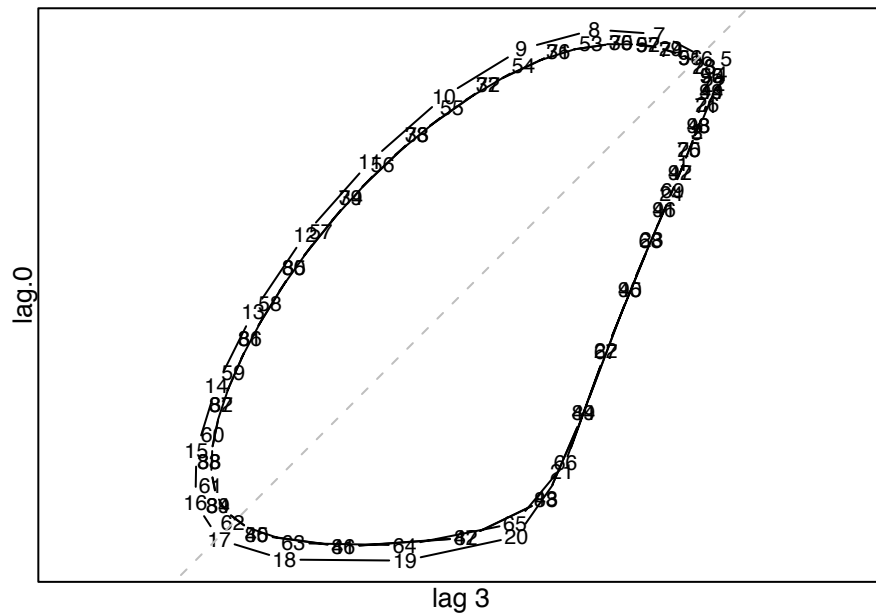
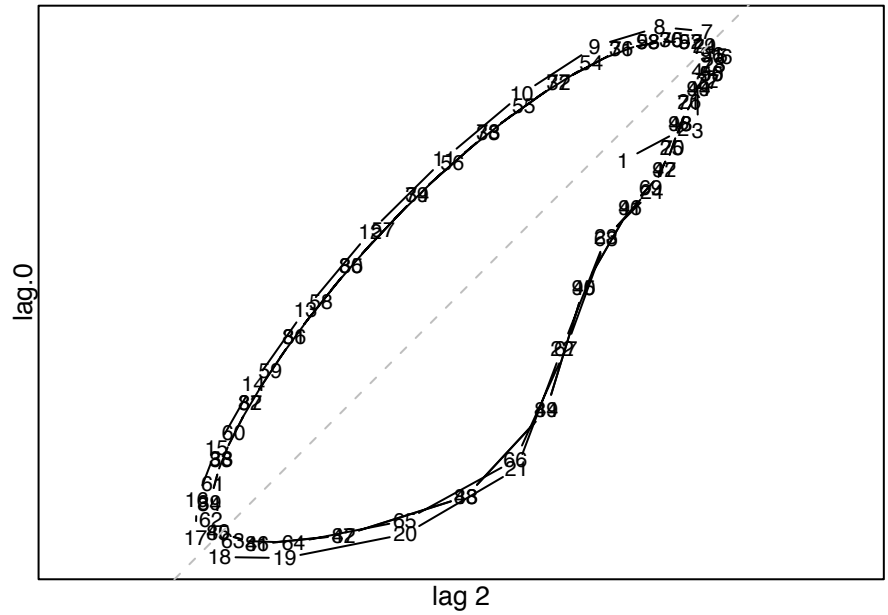
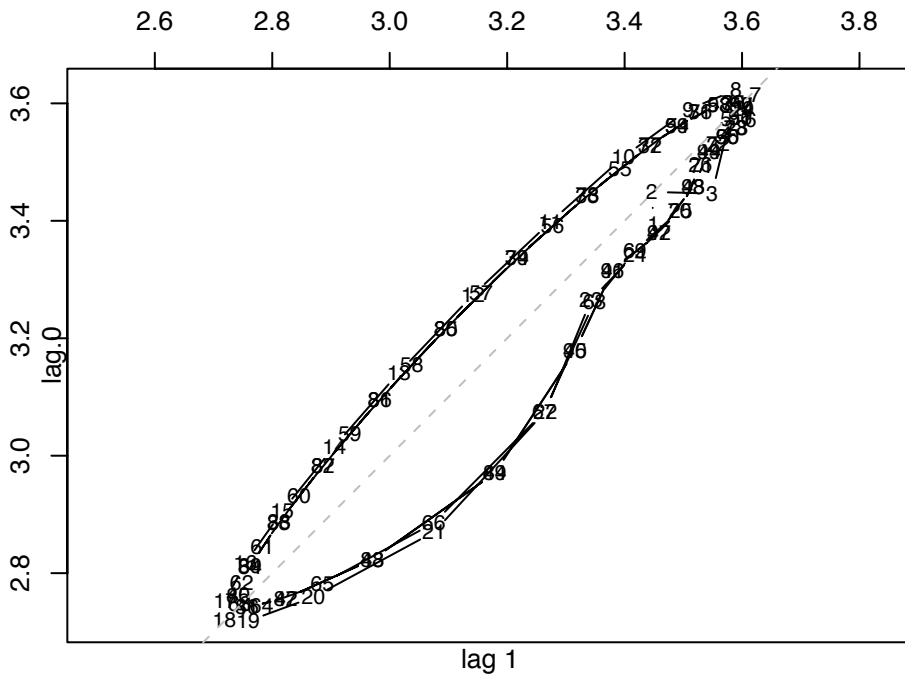
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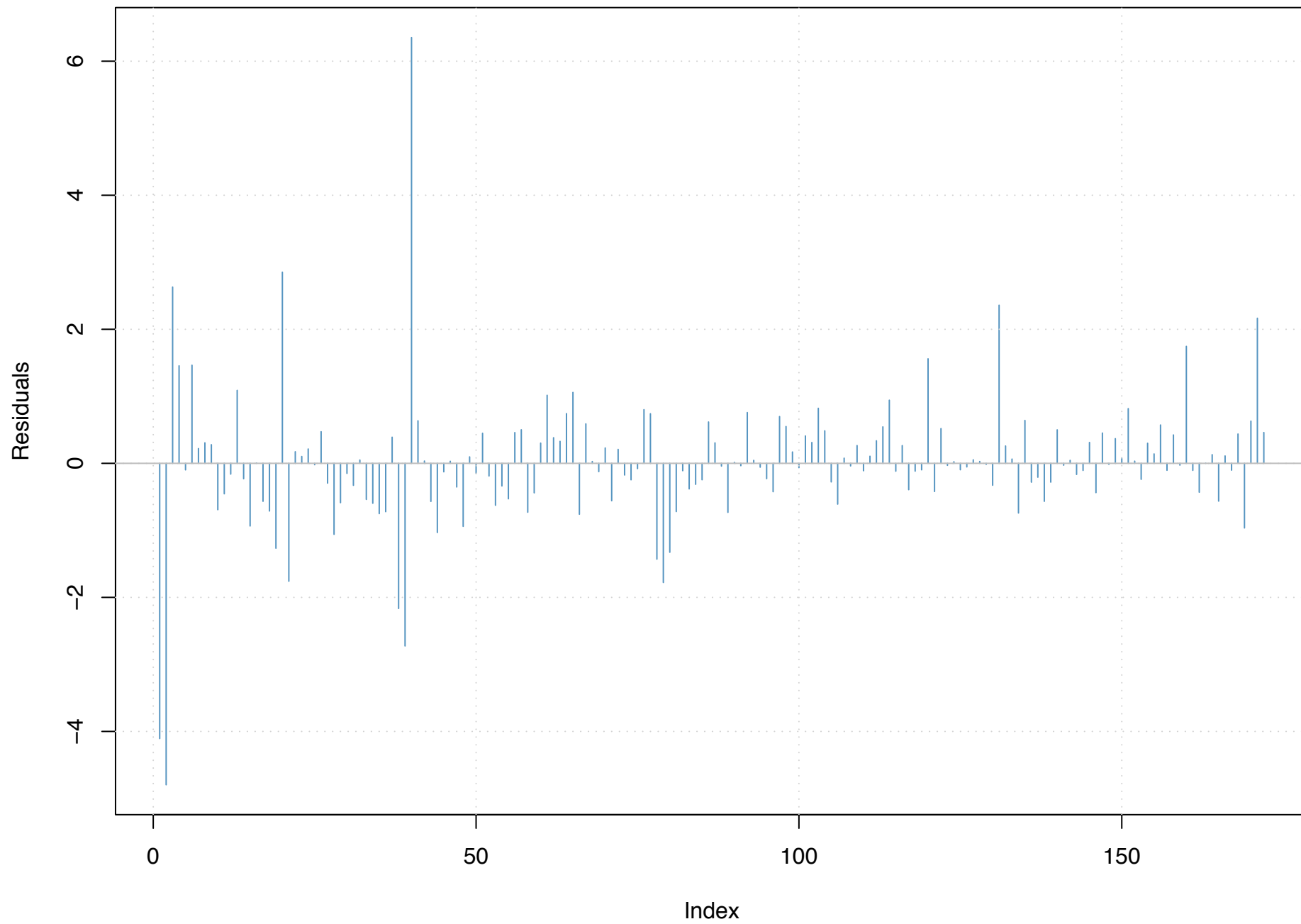
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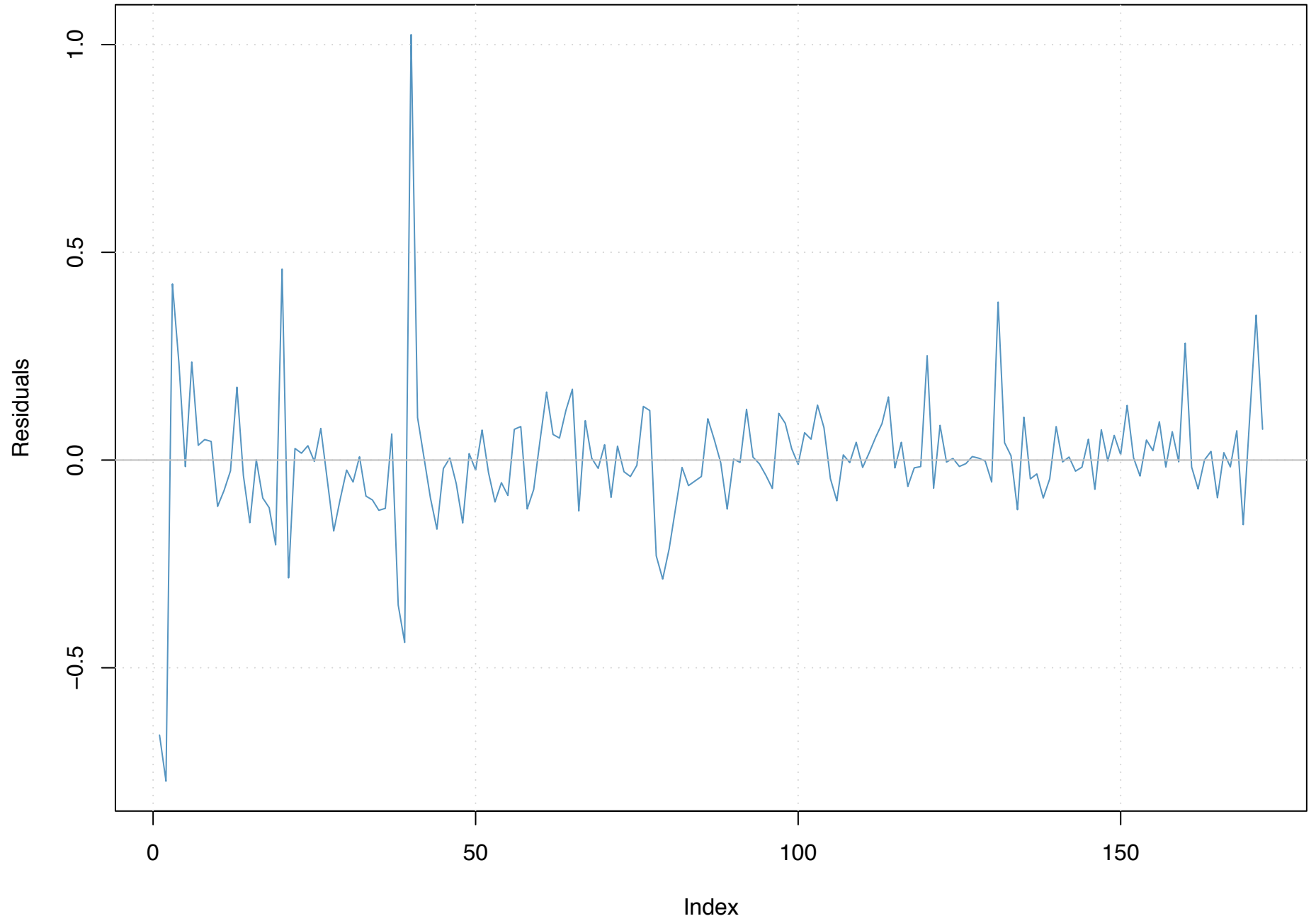
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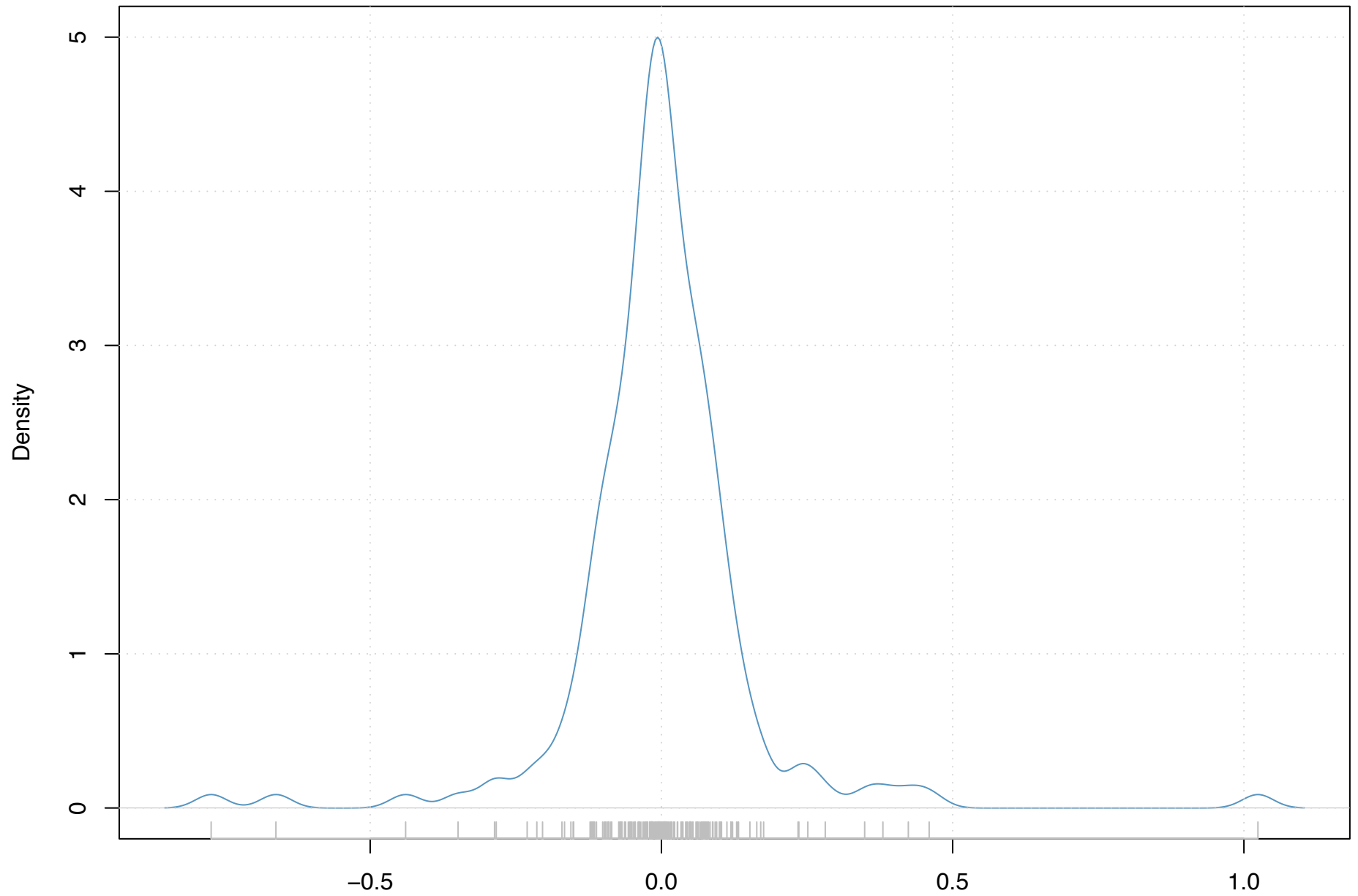
# Standardized Residuals



# Residuals



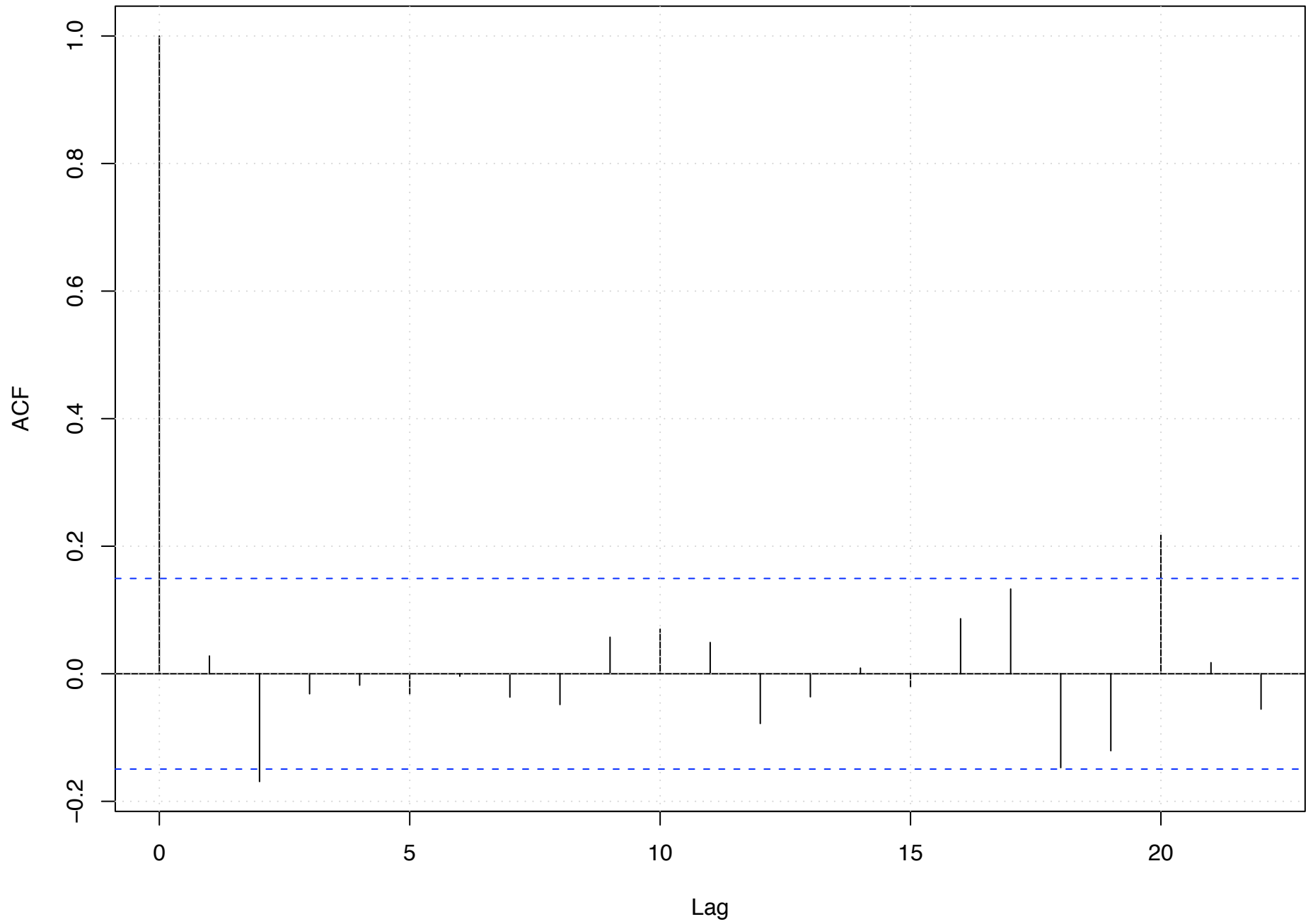
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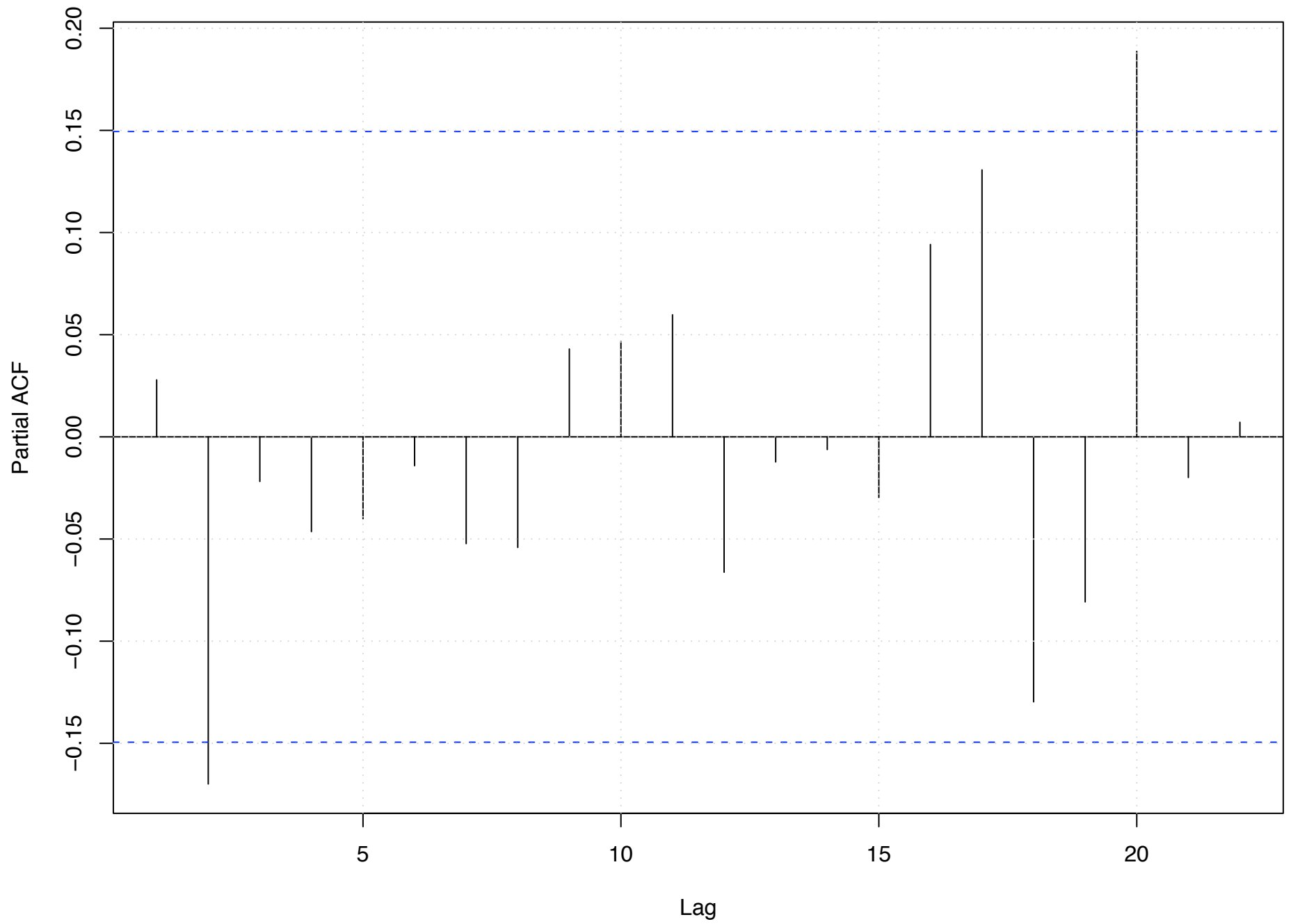
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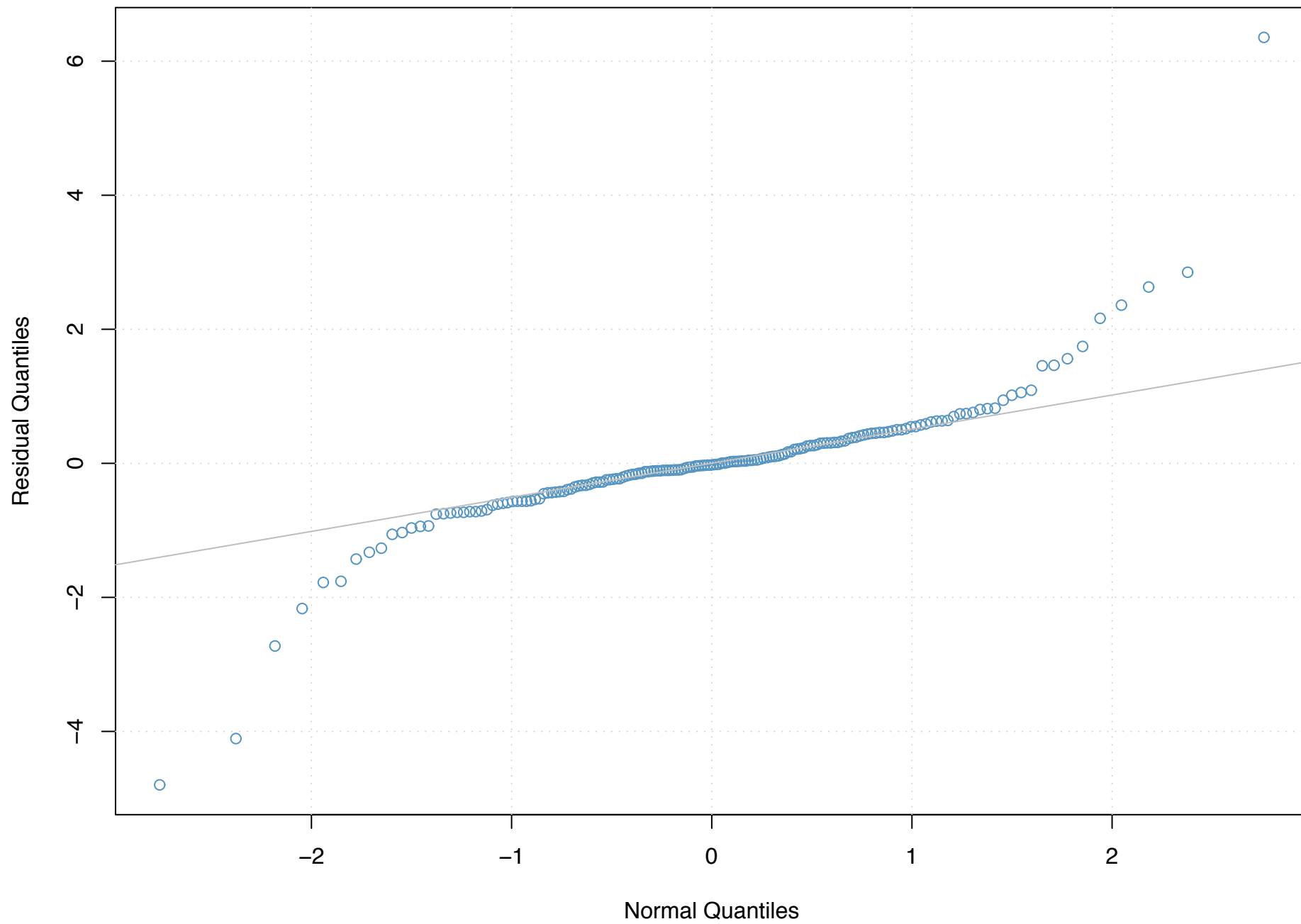
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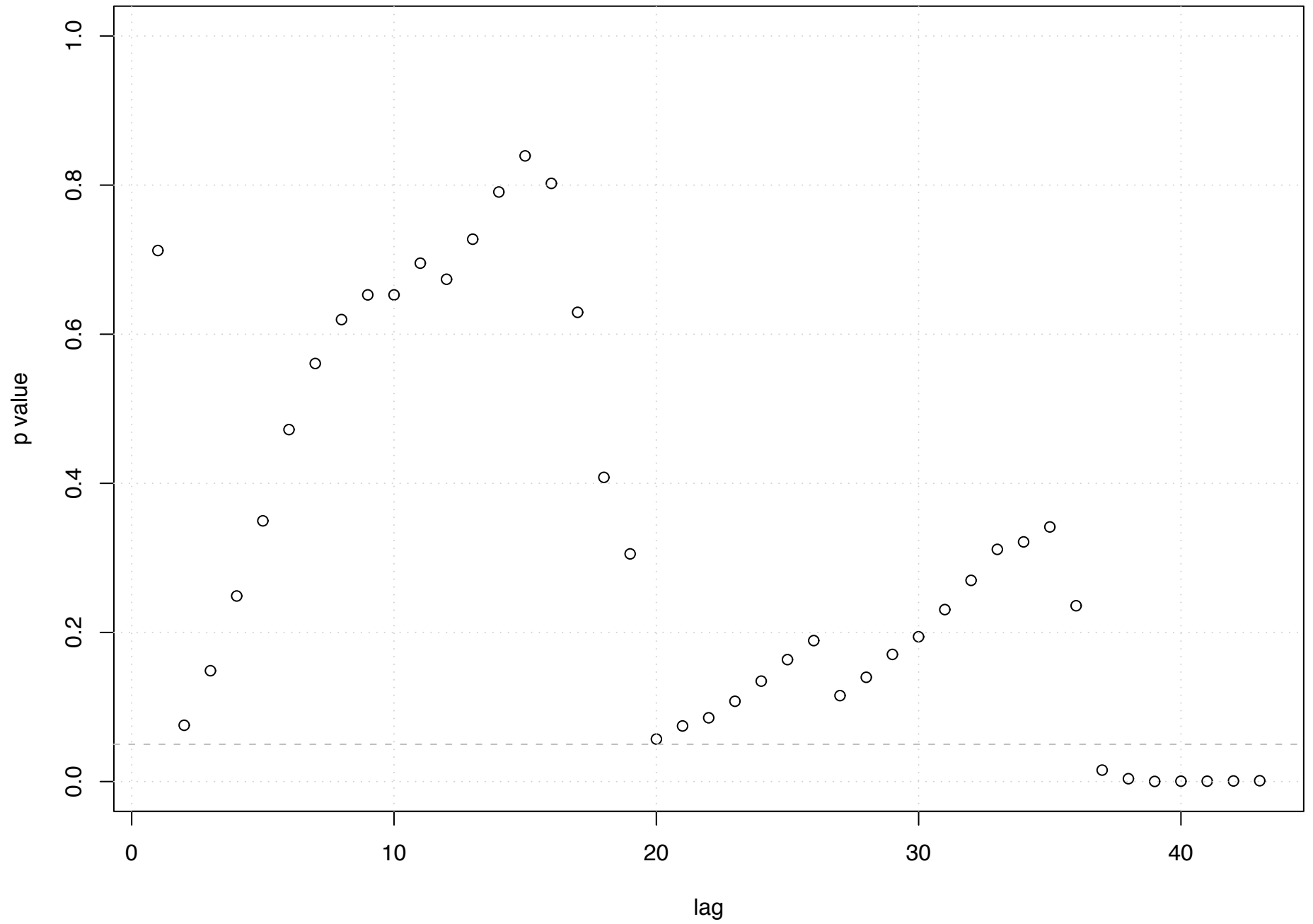
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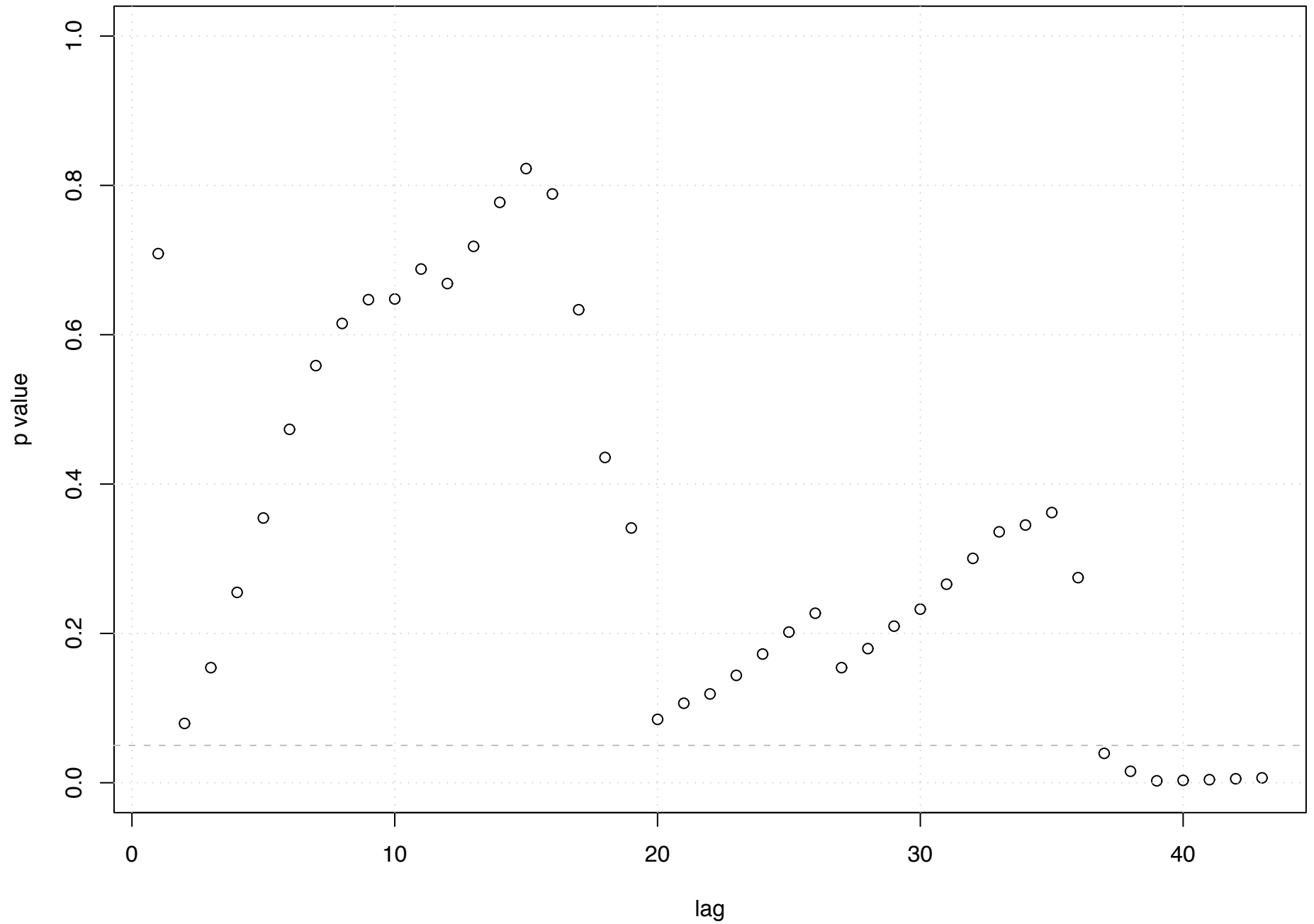
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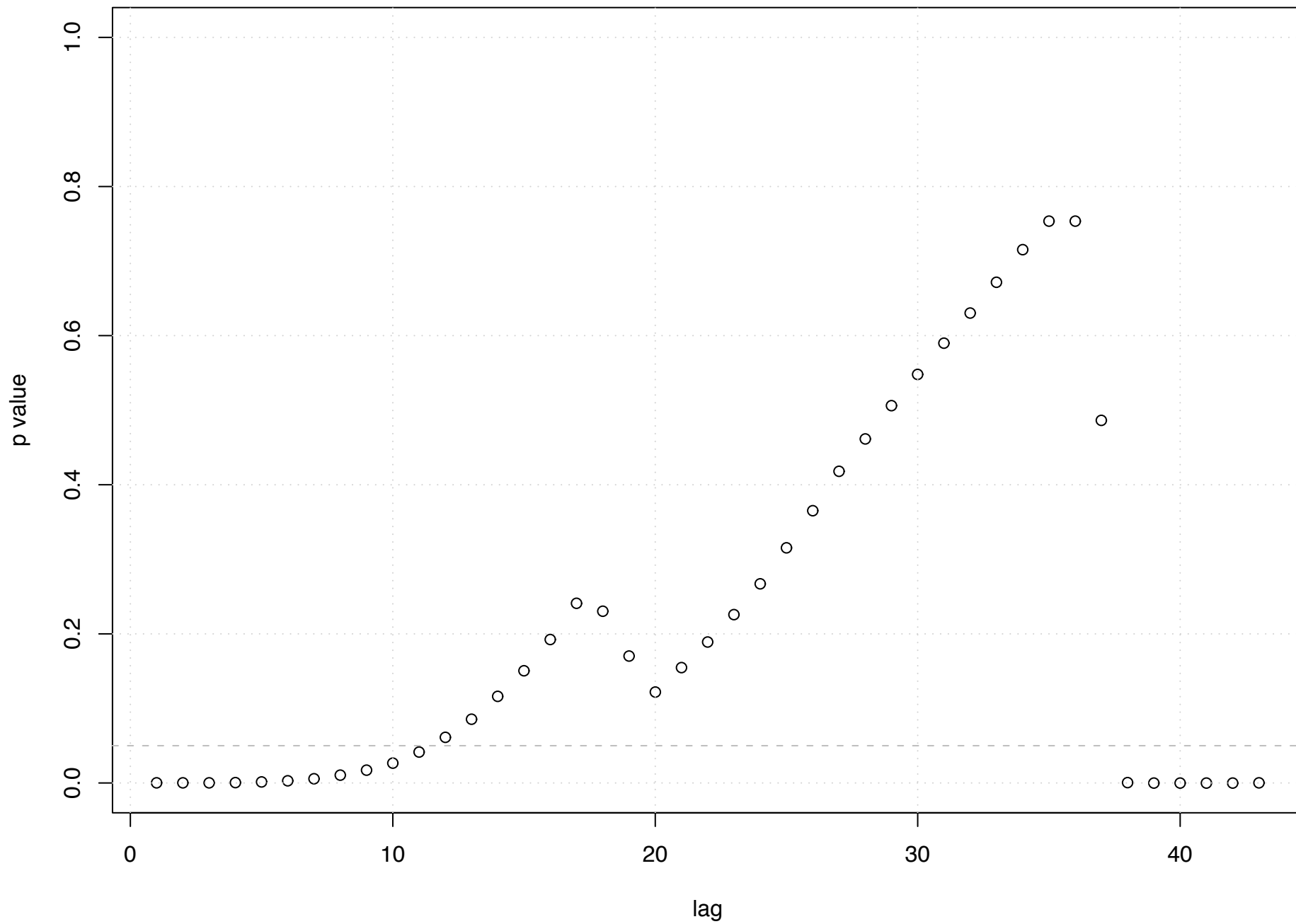
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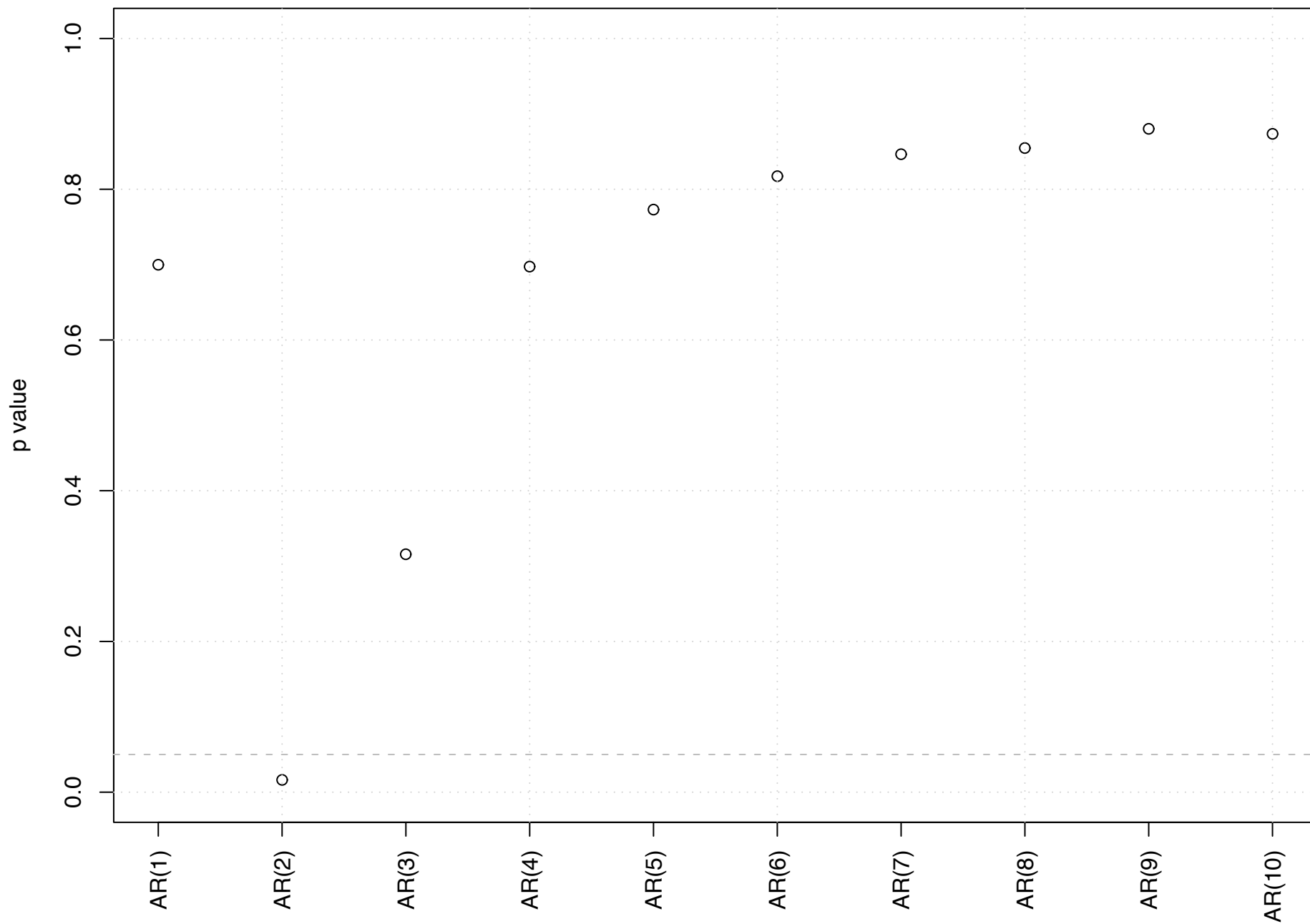
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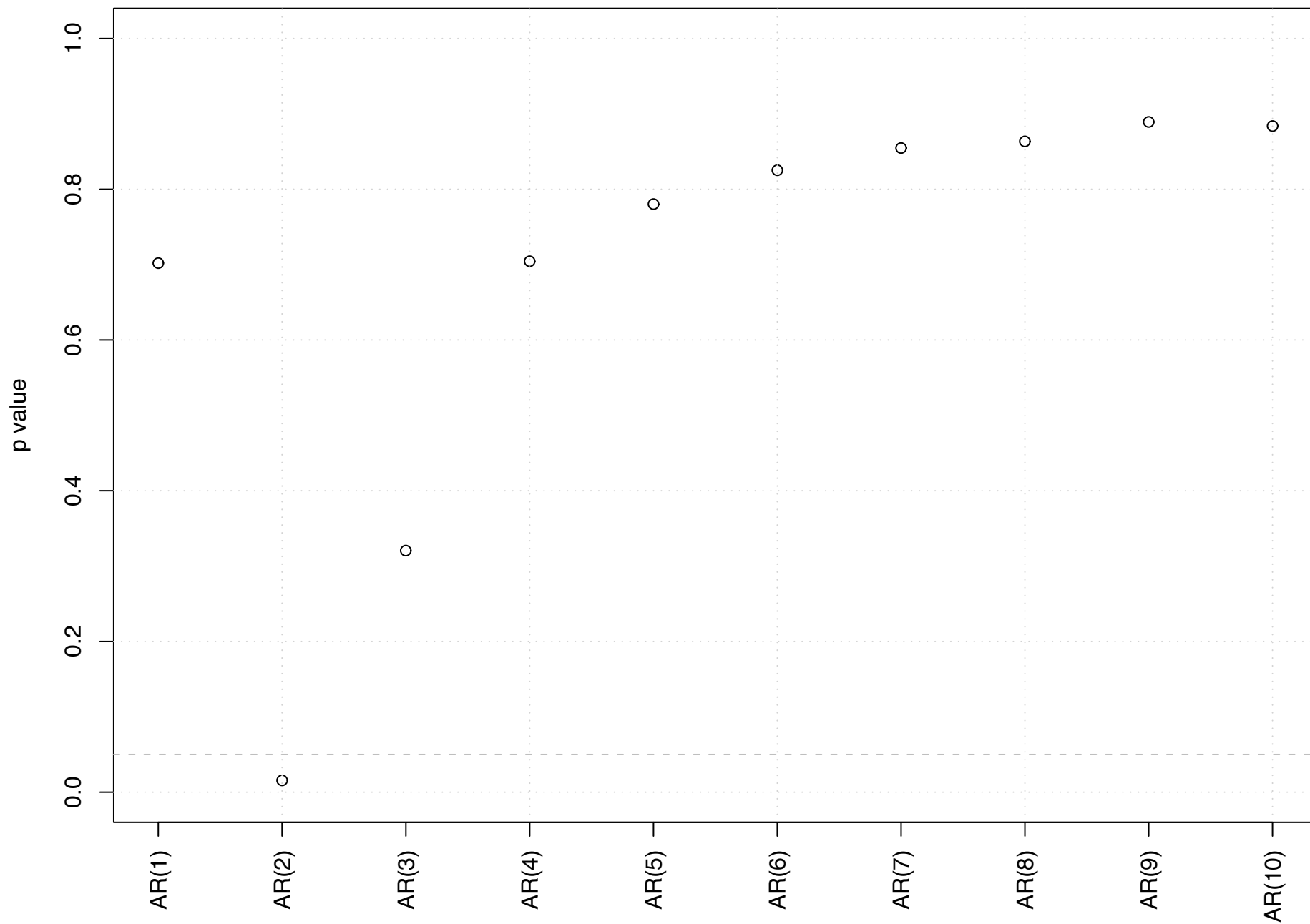
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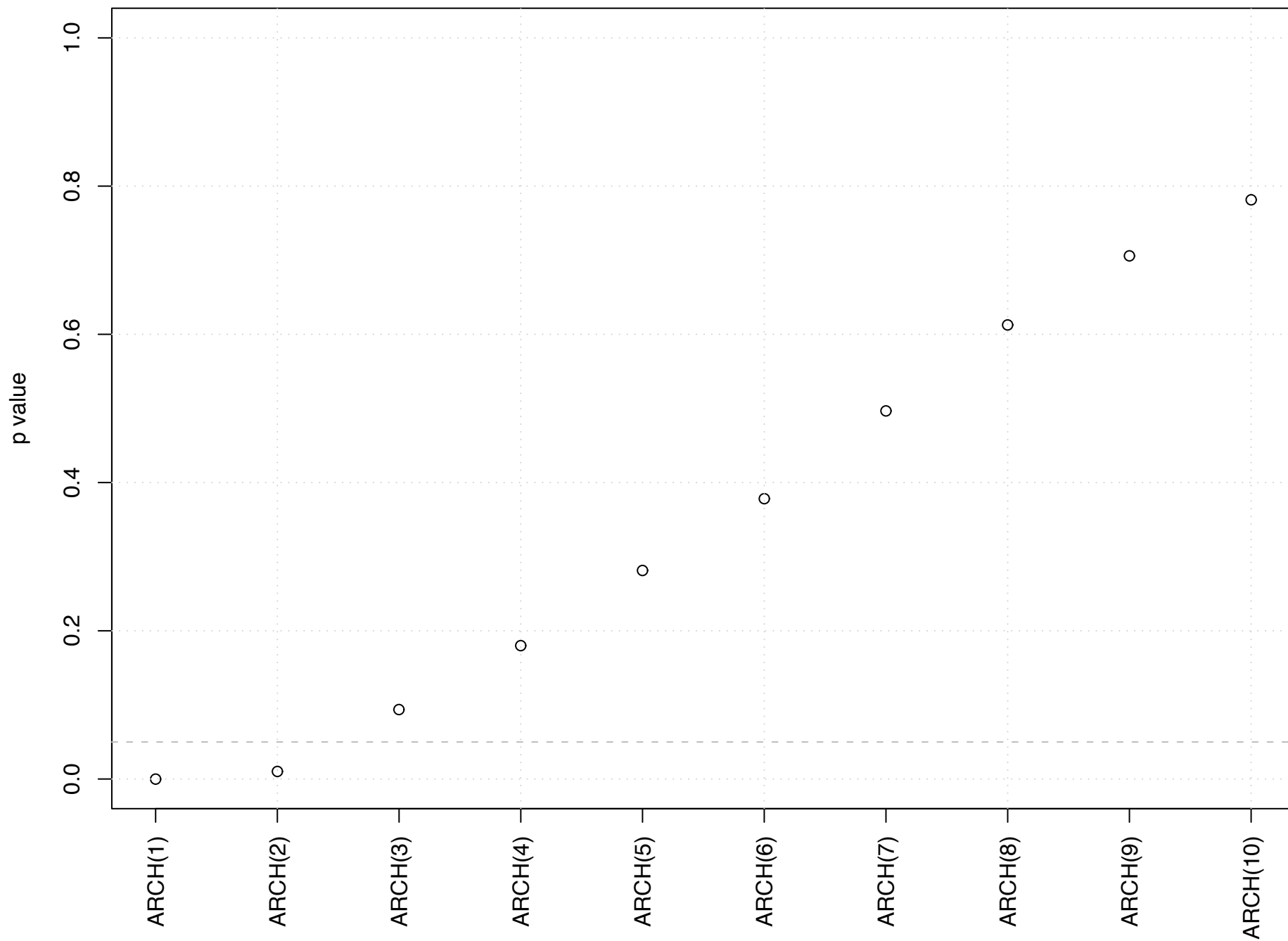


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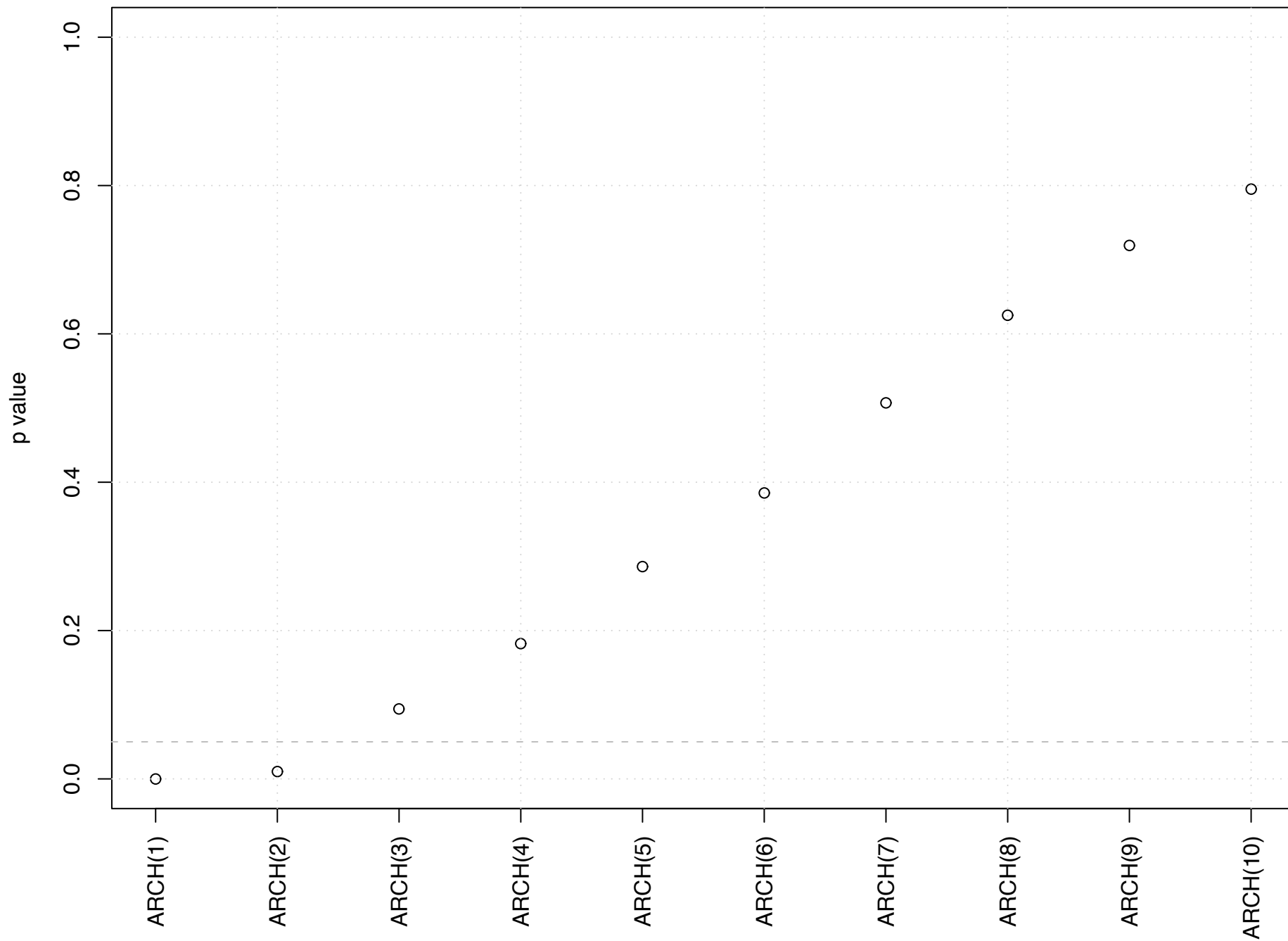




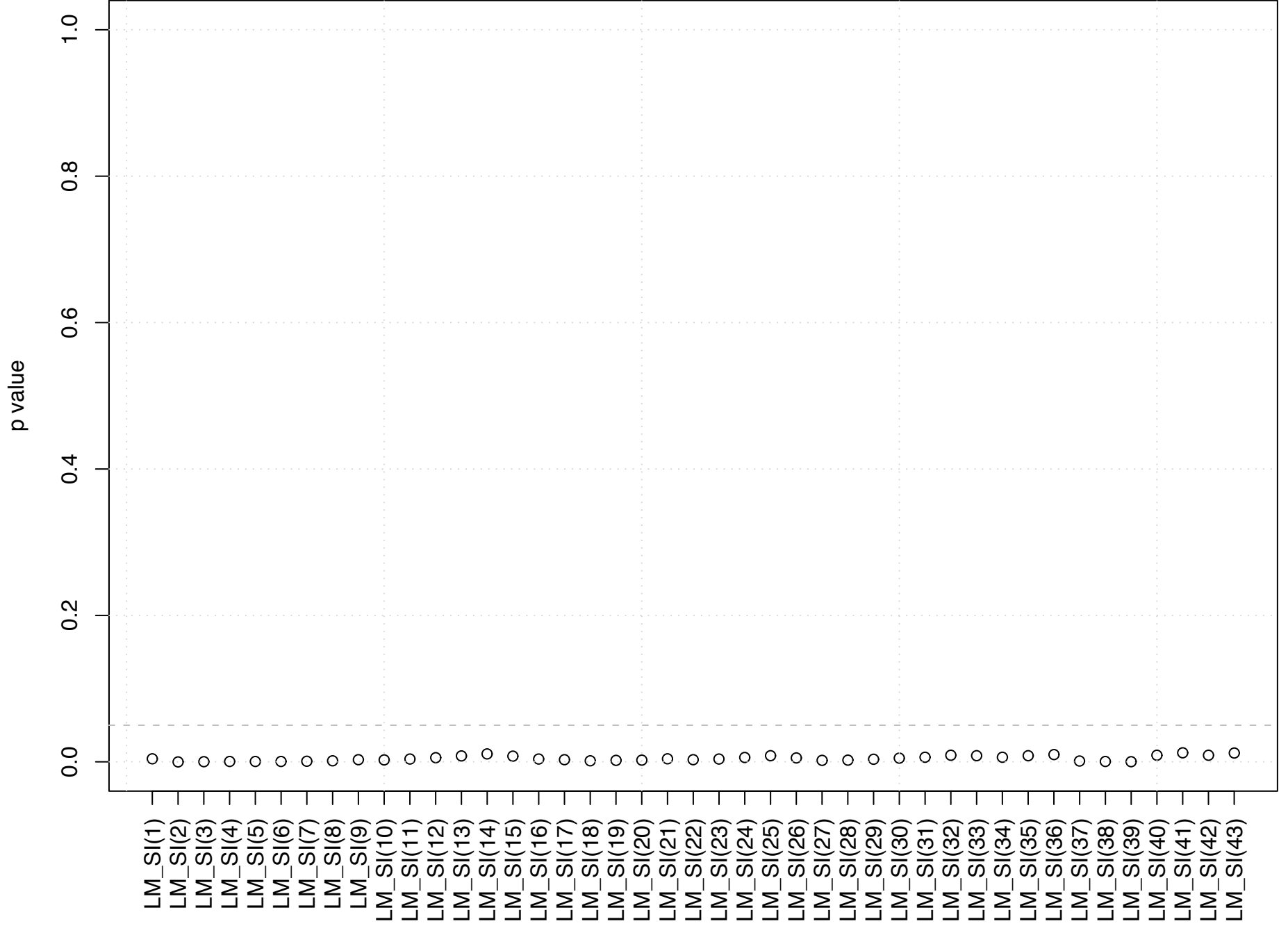
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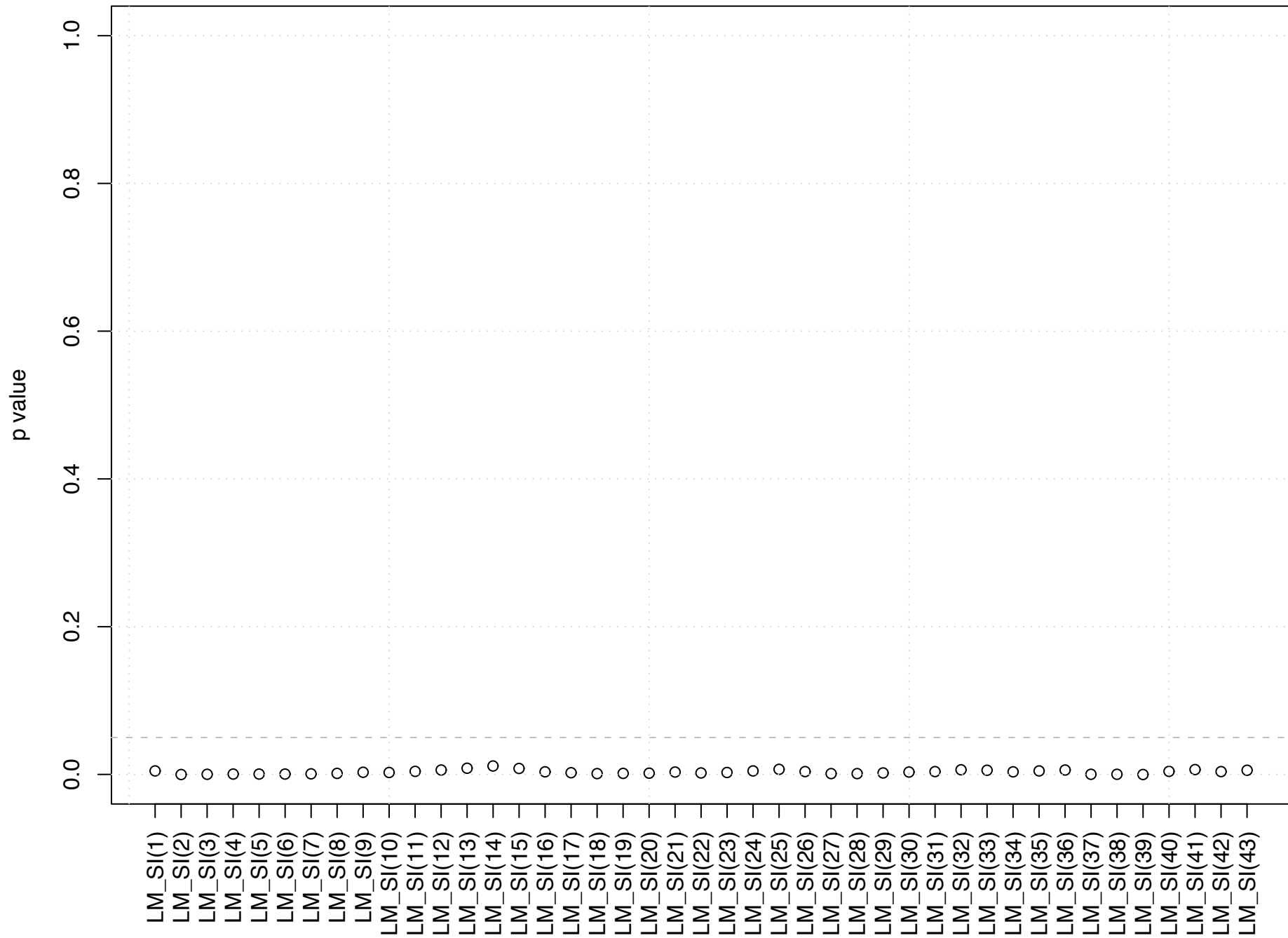
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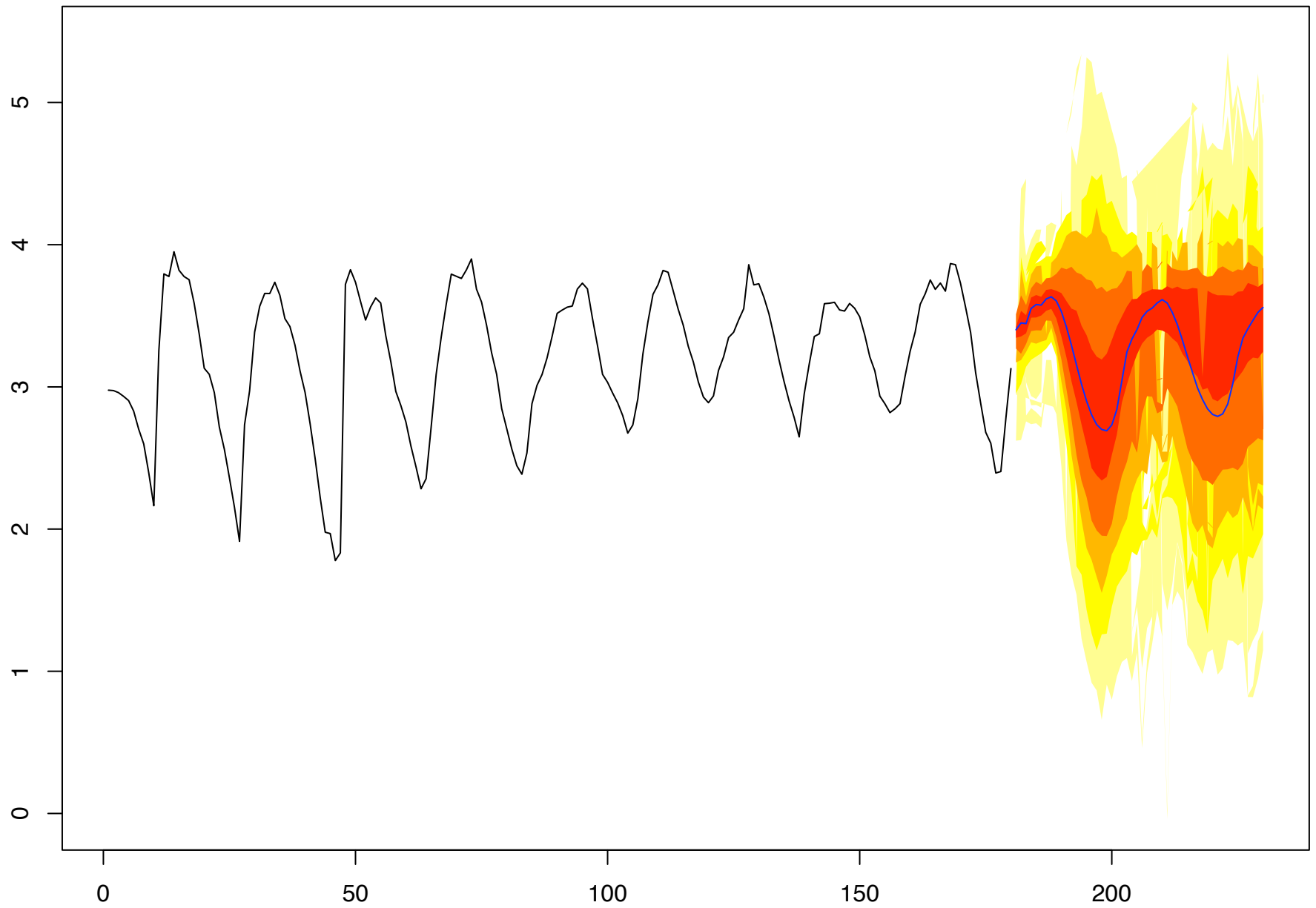
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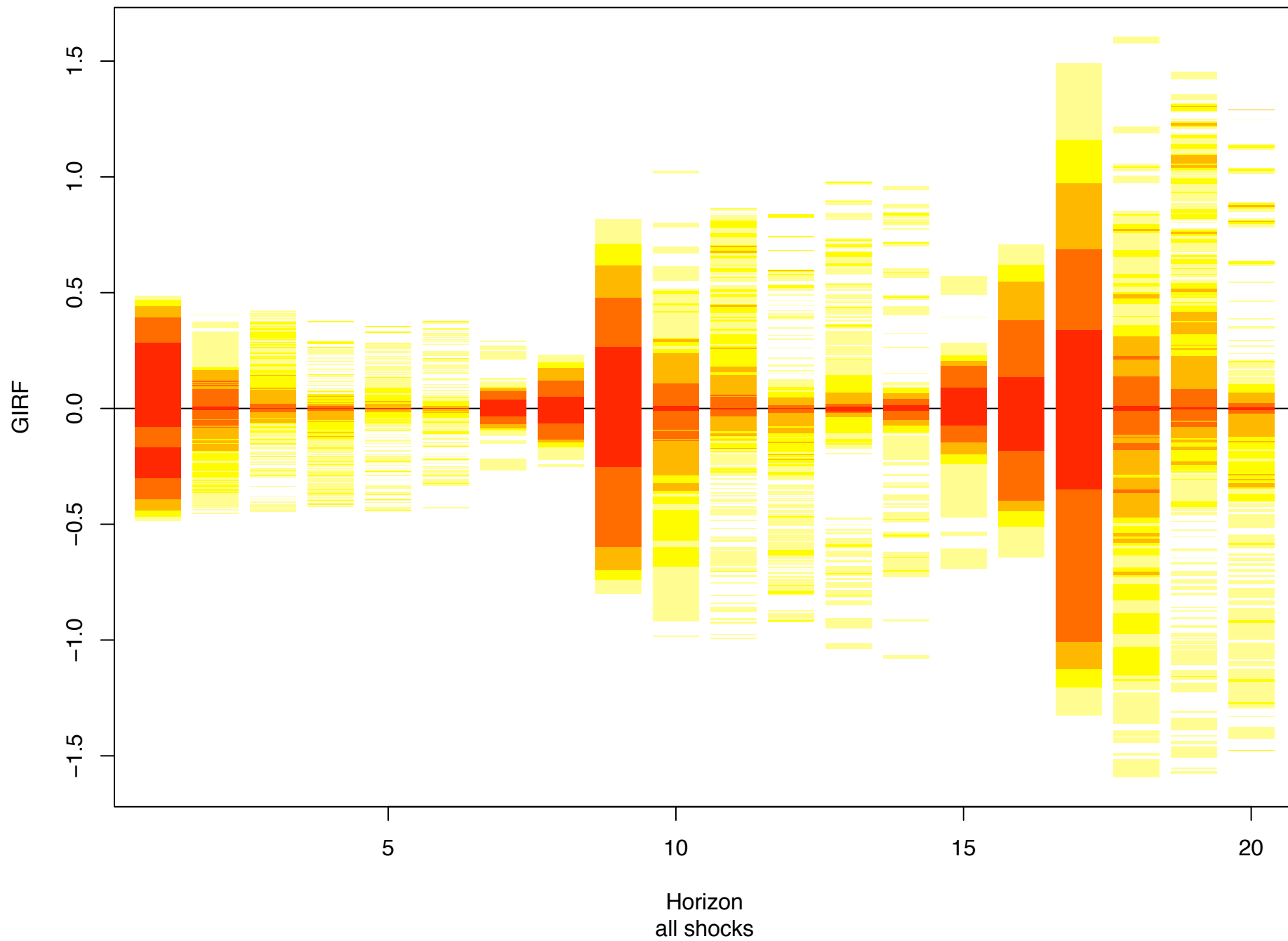
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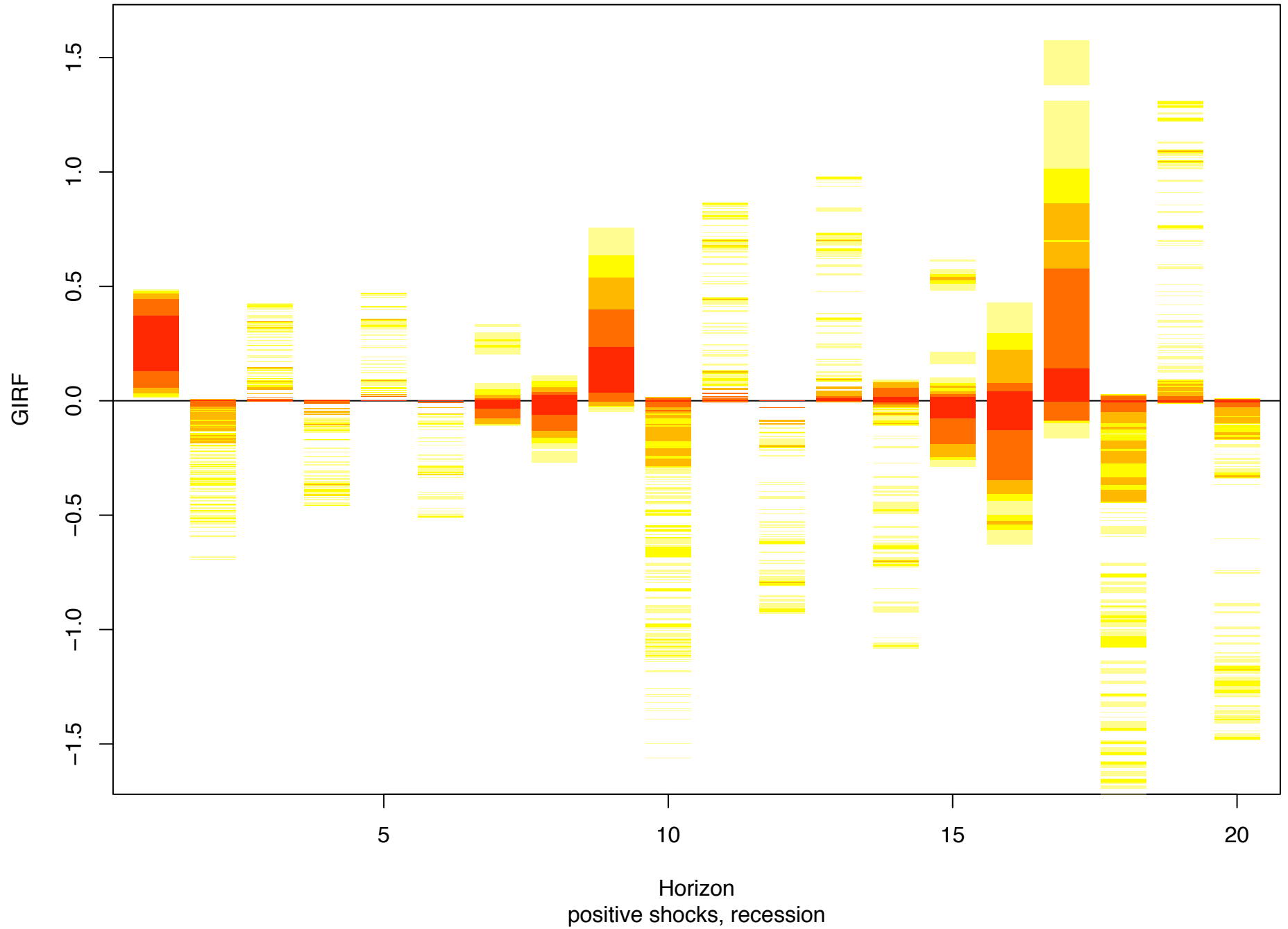
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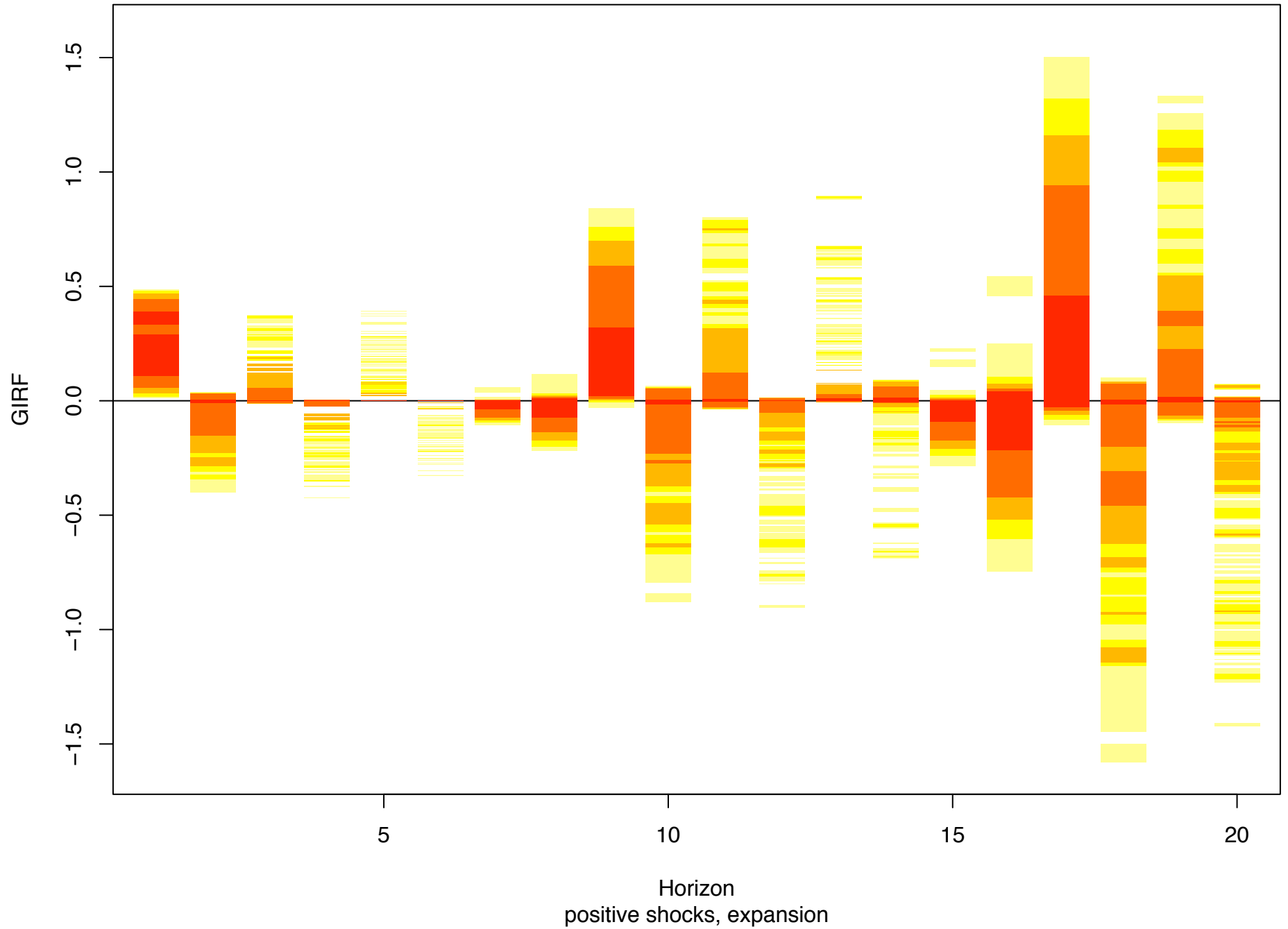
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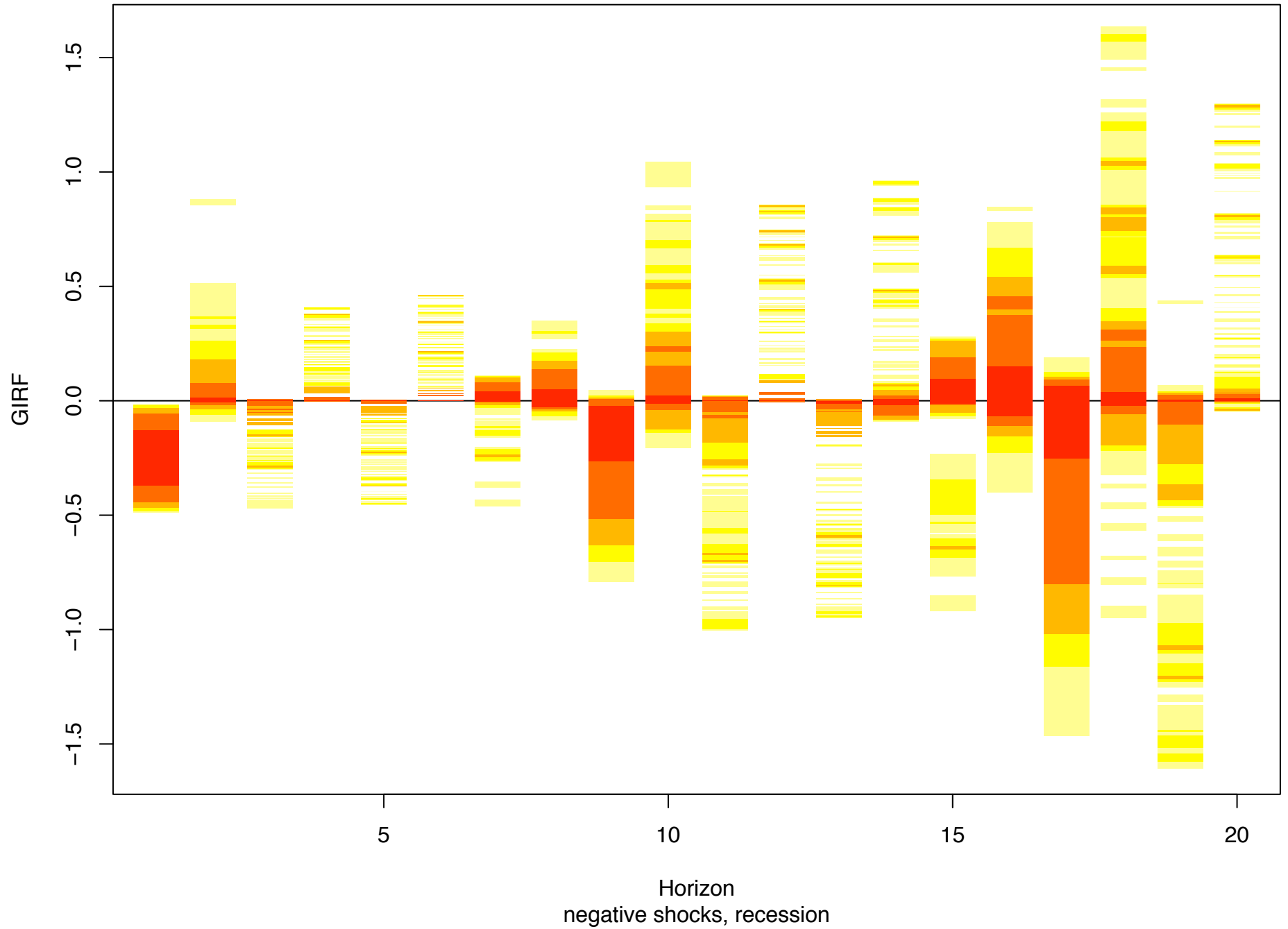


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