# Coherency of the time signal for individual species measured by different gear types

Invertebrate Examples from Galveston Bay: 1982-2005

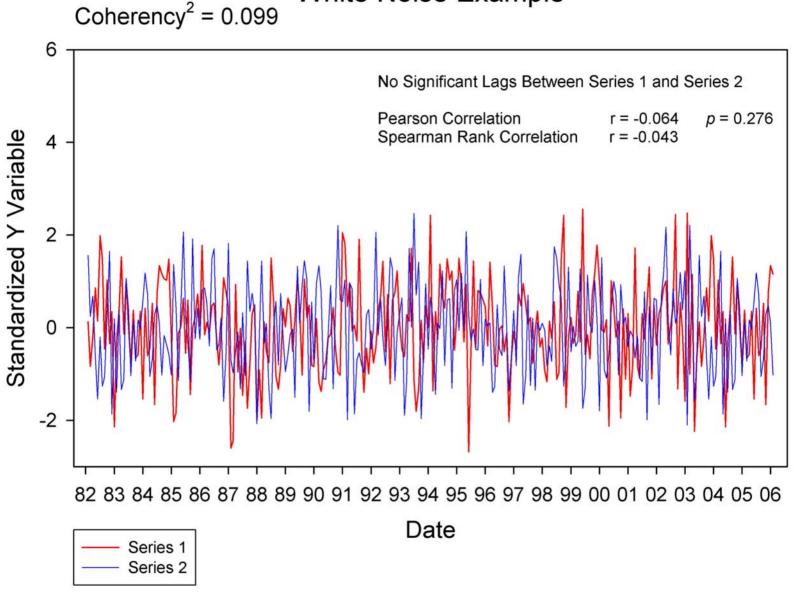
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# Coherency

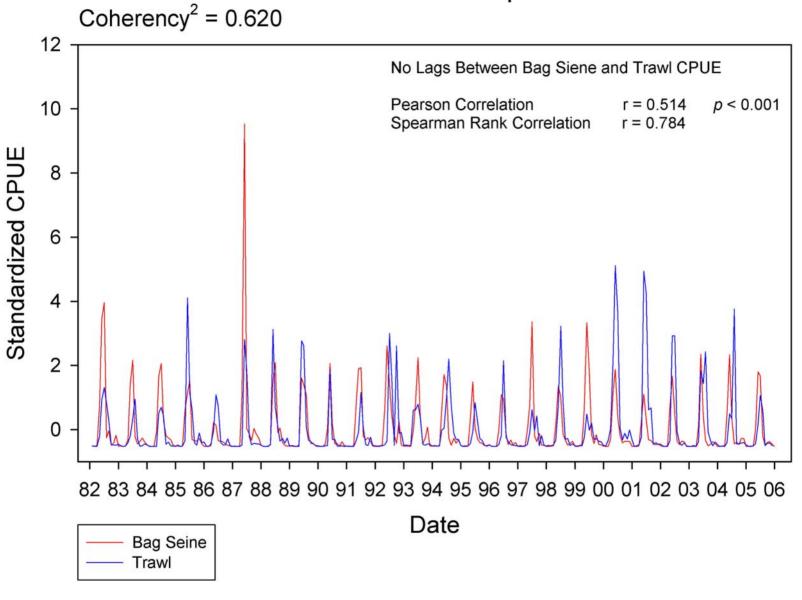
- The concept of **coherency** in time-series analysis is analogous to correlation.
- Correlation is a real scalar. Coherency is a complex function of frequency
  - It expresses the frequency dependence of correlation.
- Coherency<sup>2</sup> ranges from 0 1
  - The coherency value is the squared correlation between the cyclical components in two series at some respective frequency.

## White Noise Example



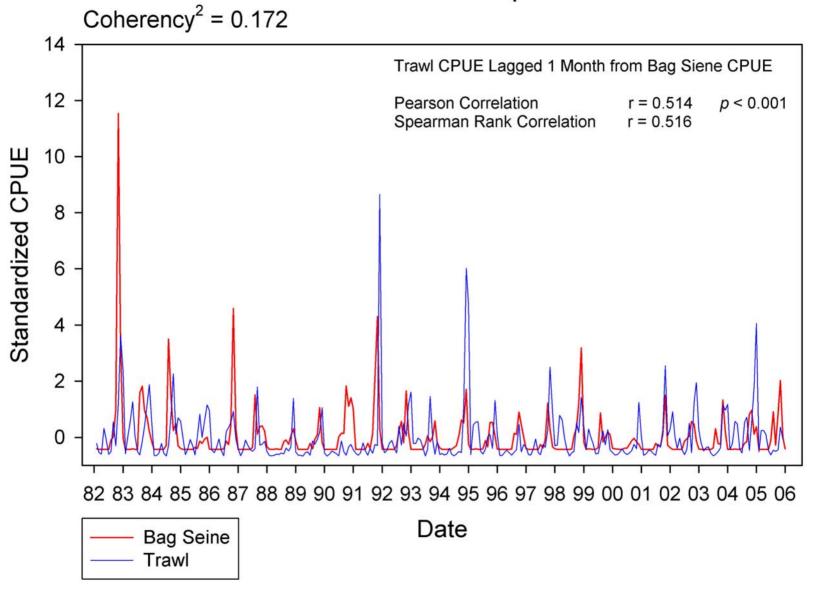
White Noise Test - Series 1 p = 0.202 Series 2 p = 0.620

### **Brown Shrimp**



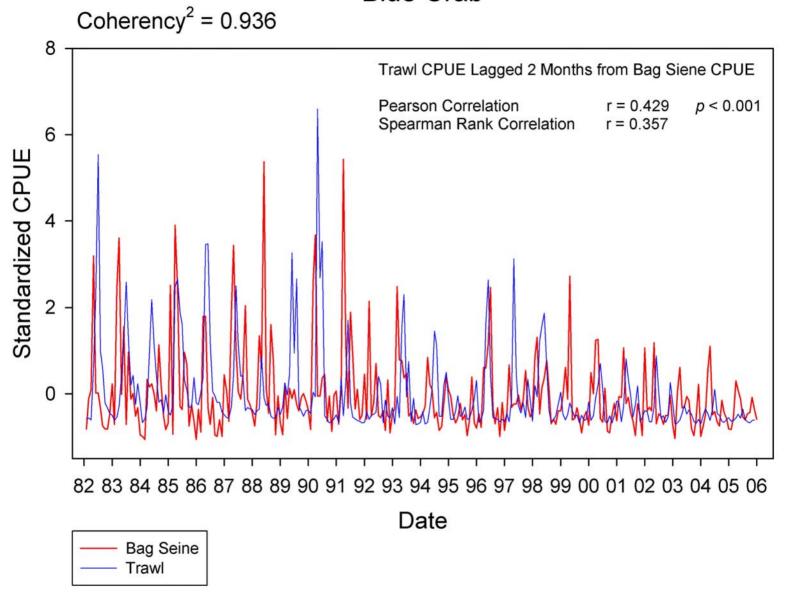
White Noise Test - Bag Seine p < 0.001 Trawl p < 0.001

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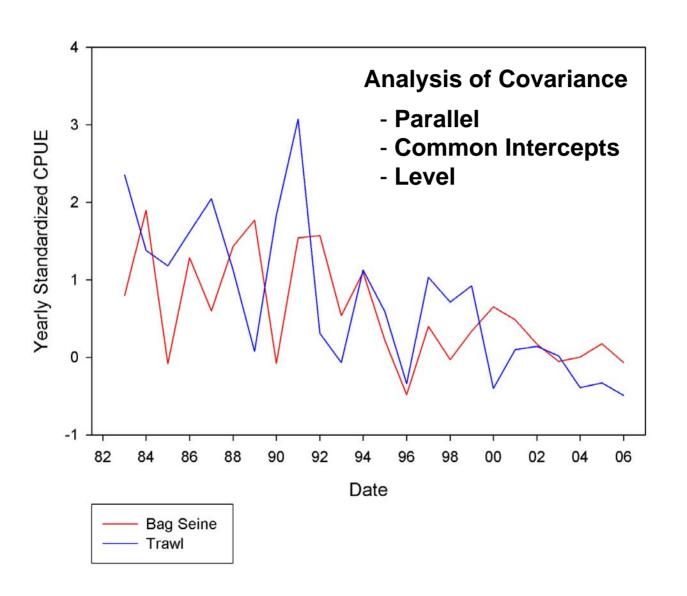
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#### Blue Crab

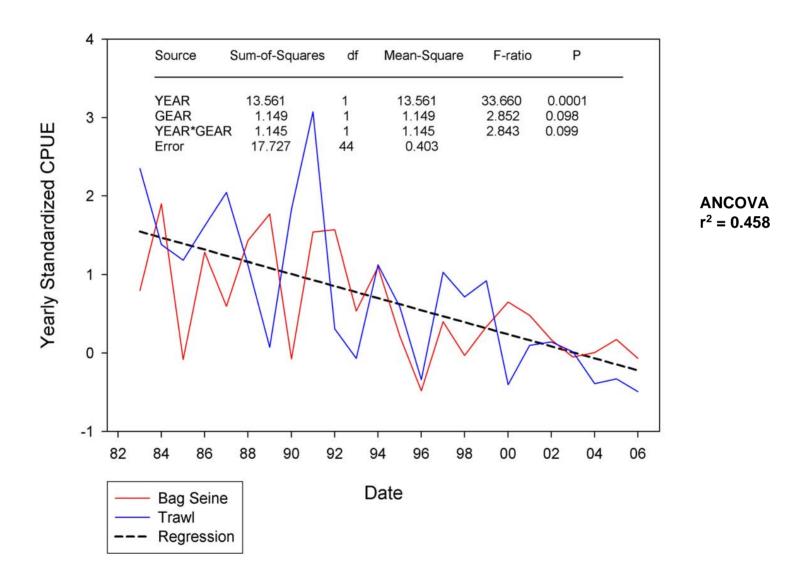


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# Summary

- Are there coherent time signals for individual species measured by different gear types?
- Are there consistencies of the annual signal of counts for individual species over time?
- Are there statistically significant correlations (0.05 level of significance) between abundances of populations as measured by different sampling methods, i.e. bag seine, trawl, gill net, landings within individual bay systems?