

DESEASONALISING THE DATA

$$\text{deseasonalised figure} = \frac{\text{actual figure}}{\text{seasonal index}}$$

Example

The price of sugar (in \$ per kilogram) has been recorded over 3 years on a seasonal basis.

	Summer	Autumn	Winter	Spring
1998	1.03	1.26	1.36	1.14
1999	0.98	1.25	1.34	1.07
2000	0.95	1.21	1.29	1.04

- Calculate seasonal indices
- De-seasonalise the data using the seasonal indices
- Plot the original and deseasonalised data.
- Comment on your results.

Average for 1998: 1.1975

Average for 1999: 1.16

Average for 2000: 1.1225

Seasonal indices:

	Summer	Autumn	Winter	Spring
1998	0.860125	1.05219	1.1357	0.95198
1999	0.8448	1.07759	1.15517	0.9224
2000	0.8463	1.07795	1.1492	0.9265

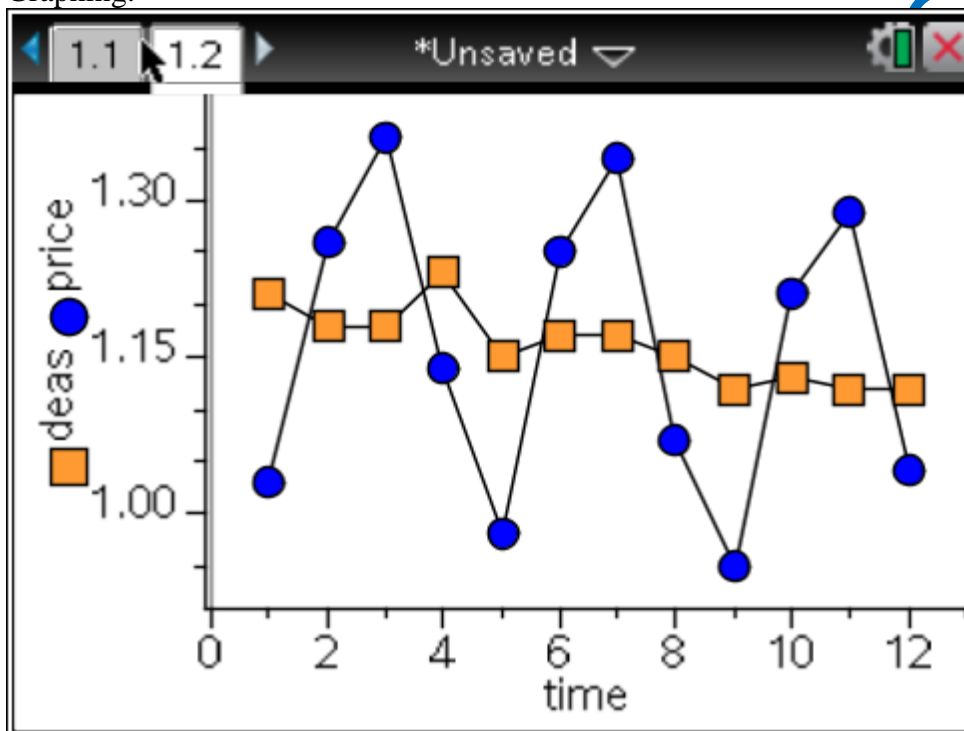
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Deseasonalised data:

	Summer	Autumn	Winter	Spring
1998	1.21	1.18	1.18	1.23
1999	1.15	1.17	1.17	1.15
2000	1.12	1.13	1.12	1.12

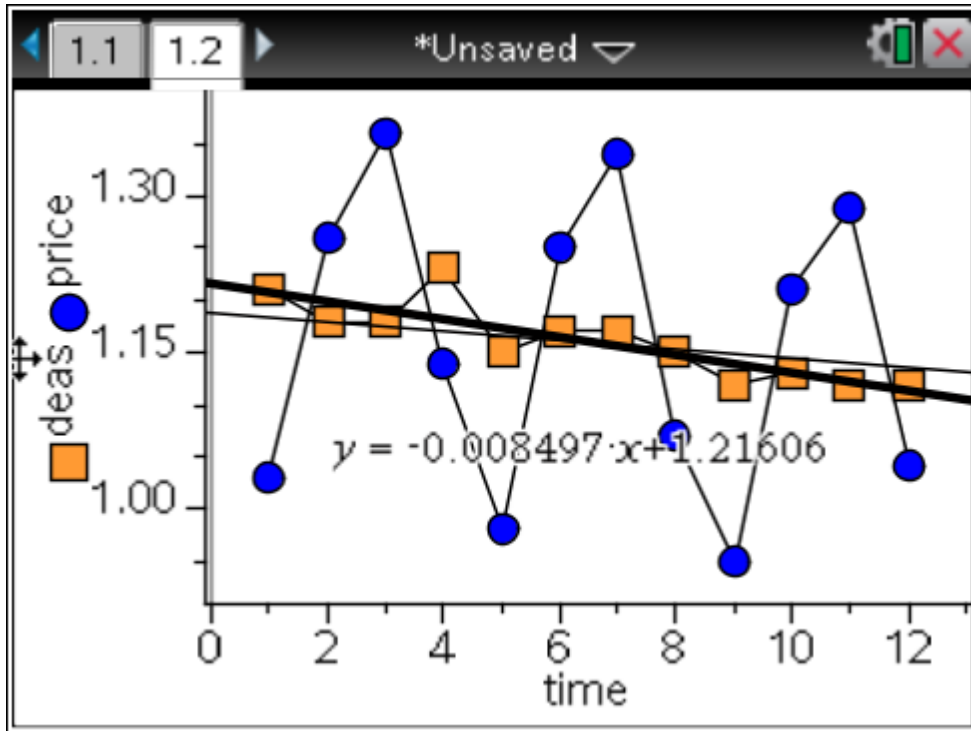
	A time	B price	C deas	D
1	1	1.03	1.21	
2	2	1.26	1.18	
3	3	1.36	1.18	
4	4	1.14	1.23	
5	5	0.98	1.15	

Graphing:



Fitting the trend line to the deseasonalised data:

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Price = $-0.008497 \text{ year} + 1.21606$

There is a slight trend downwards.

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