



# ETC3550: Applied forecasting for business and economics

Ch12. Some practical forecasting issues

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- 2 Ensuring forecasts stay within limits
- **3** Forecast combinations
- 4 Missing values
- **5** Outliers

#### Models for annual data

■ ETS, ARIMA, Dynamic regression

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#### Models for quarterly data

ETS, ARIMA/SARIMA, Dynamic regression,
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## Models for quarterly data

ETS, ARIMA/SARIMA, Dynamic regression,
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#### Models for monthly data

ETS, ARIMA/SARIMA, Dynamic regression,
 Dynamic harmonic regression, STL+ETS,
 STL+ARIMA

#### Models for weekly data

 ARIMA/SARIMA, Dynamic regression, Dynamic harmonic regression, STL+ETS, STL+ARIMA, TBATS

#### Models for weekly data

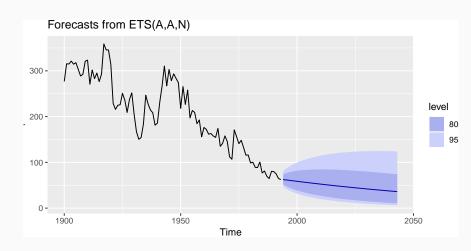
 ARIMA/SARIMA, Dynamic regression, Dynamic harmonic regression, STL+ETS, STL+ARIMA, TBATS

#### Models for daily, hourly and other sub-daily data

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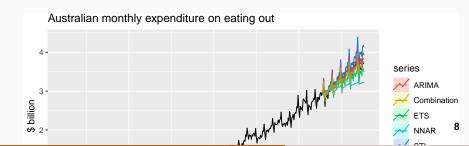
## **Positive forecasts**



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## **Forecast combinations**

The results have been virtually unanimous: combining multiple forecasts leads to increased forecast accuracy. ... In many cases one can make dramatic performance improvements by simply averaging the forecasts. (Clemen 1989)



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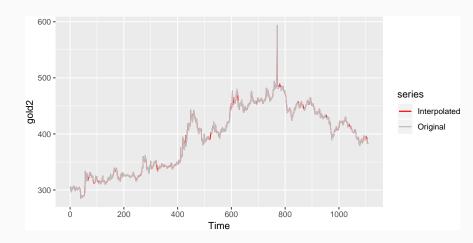
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Functions which can handle missing values * auto.arima(), Arima() * tslm() * nnetar()

Models which cannot handle missing values * ets() * stl() * stlf() * tbats()
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#### What to do?

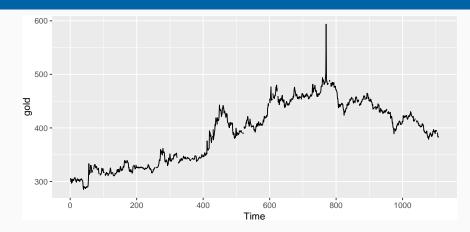
- Model section of data after last missing value.
- Estimate missing values with na.interp().

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## **Outliers**



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