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Forecasting: principles and practice

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2.4 Non-seasonal ARIMA models

Outline

Autoregressive models

Autoregressive (AR) models:

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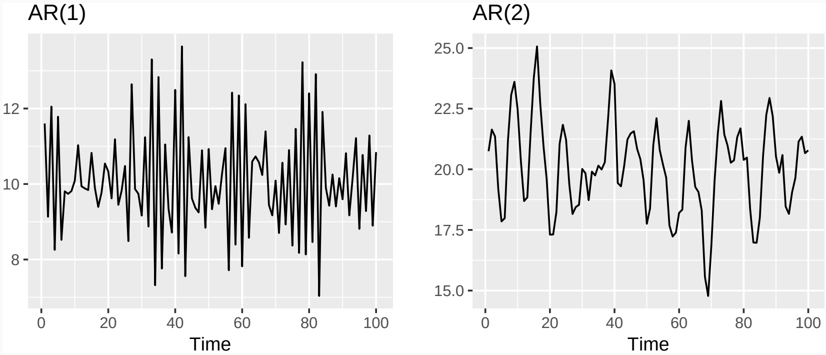

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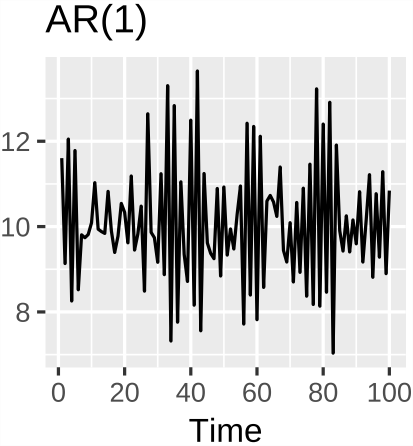

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- When $\phi_1 = 0$, y_t is **equivalent to WN**
- When $\phi_1 = 1$ and $c = 0$, y_t is **equivalent to a RW**
- When $\phi_1 = 1$ and $c \neq 0$, y_t is **equivalent to a RW with drift**
- When $\phi_1 < 0$, y_t tends to **oscillate between positive and negative values**.

AR(2) model

$$y_t = 8 + 1.3y_{t-1} - 0.7y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t$$

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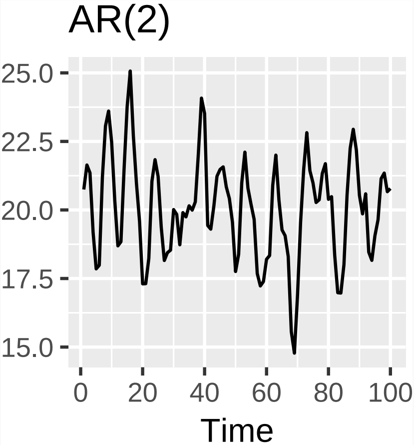

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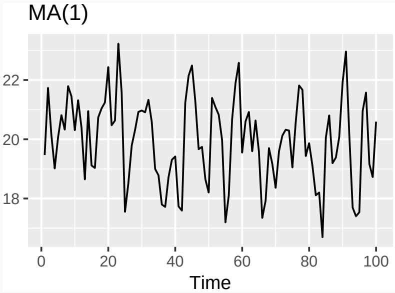

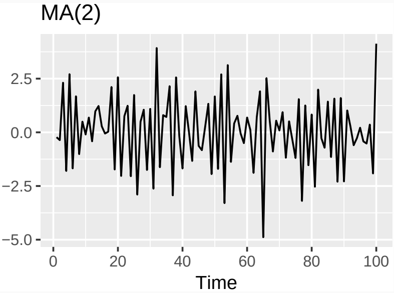

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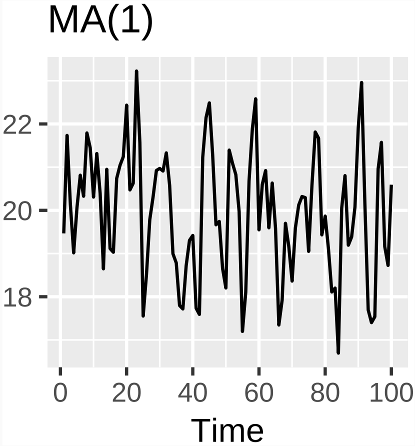

MA(2) model

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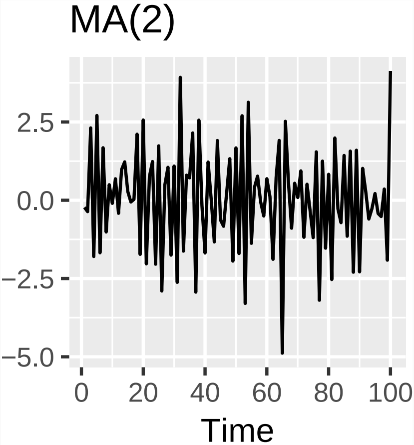

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- Combine ARMA model with **differencing**.
- $(1 - B)^d y_t$ follows an ARMA model.

ARIMA models

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ARIMA(p, d, q) model

AR: p = order of the autoregressive part

I: d = degree of first differencing involved

MA: q = order of the moving average part.

- White noise model: ARIMA(0,0,0)
- Random walk: ARIMA(0,1,0) with no constant
- Random walk with drift: ARIMA(0,1,0) with const.
- AR(p): ARIMA(p,0,0)
- MA(q): ARIMA(0,0,q)

Backshift notation for ARIMA

- ARMA model:

$$y_t = c + \phi_1 B y_t + \cdots + \phi_p B^p y_t + \varepsilon_t + \theta_1 B \varepsilon_t + \cdots + \theta_q B^q \varepsilon_t$$

or $$(1 - \phi_1 B - \cdots - \phi_p B^p) y_t = c + (1 + \theta_1 B + \cdots + \theta_q B^q) \varepsilon_t$$

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Written out:

$$y_t = c + y_{t-1} + \phi_1 y_{t-1} - \phi_1 y_{t-2} + \theta_1 \varepsilon_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

R model

Intercept form

$$(1 - \phi_1 B - \cdots - \phi_p B^p) y'_t = c + (1 + \theta_1 B + \cdots + \theta_q B^q)\varepsilon_t$$

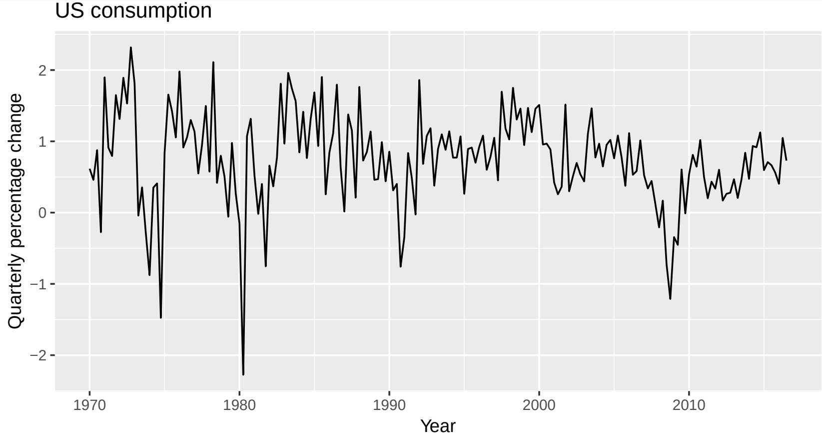
Mean form

$$(1 - \phi_1 B - \cdots - \phi_p B^p)(y'_t - \mu) = (1 + \theta_1 B + \cdots + \theta_q B^q)\varepsilon_t$$

- $y'_t = (1 - B)^d y_t$
- μ is the mean of y'_t.
- $c = \mu(1 - \phi_1 - \cdots - \phi_p)$.
- R uses mean form.

US personal consumption

```r
autoplot(uschange[,"Consumption"]) +
  xlab("Year") + ylab("Quarterly percentage change") +
  ggtitle("US consumption")
```



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```

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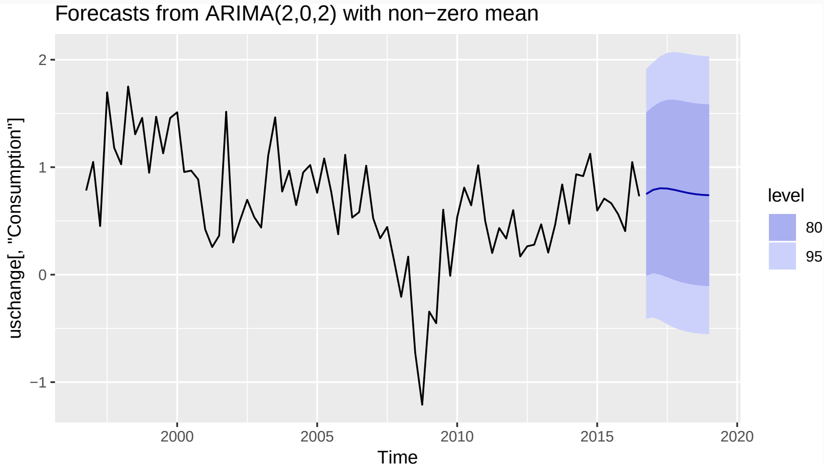
ARIMA(2,0,2) model:

$$y_t = c + 1.391y_{t-1} - 0.581y_{t-2} - 1.180\varepsilon_{t-1} + 0.558\varepsilon_{t-2} + \varepsilon_t,$$

where $c = 0.746 \times (1 - 1.391 + 0.581) = 0.142$ and $\varepsilon_t \sim N(0, 0.351)$.

US personal consumption

```
fit %>% forecast(h=10) %>% autoplot(include=80)
```



Understanding ARIMA models

Long-term forecasts

zero	$c = 0, d = 0$	
non-zero constant	$c = 0, d = 1$	$c \neq 0, d = 0$
linear	$c = 0, d = 2$	$c \neq 0, d = 1$
quadratic	$c = 0, d = 3$	$c \neq 0, d = 2$

Forecast variance and d

- The higher the value of d, the more rapidly the prediction intervals increase in size.
- For $d = 0$, the long-term forecast standard deviation will go to the standard deviation of the historical data.

Understanding ARIMA models

Cyclic behaviour

- For cyclic forecasts, $p \geq 2$ and some restrictions on coefficients are required.
- If $p = 2$, we need $\phi_1^2 + 4\phi_2 < 0$. Then average cycle of length

$$(2\pi)/\left[\text{arc cos}(-\phi_1(1-\phi_2)/(4\phi_2))\right].$$

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- MLE is very similar to least squares estimation obtained by minimizing
$$\sum_{t-1}^{T} e_t^2.$$
- The `Arima()` command allows CLS or MLE estimation.
- Non-linear optimization must be used in either case.
- Different software will give different estimates.

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Good models are obtained by minimizing either the AIC, AICc or BIC. My preference is to use the AICc.

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How does auto.arima() work?

A non-seasonal ARIMA process

$$\phi(B)(1 - B)^d y_t = c + \theta(B)\varepsilon_t$$

Need to select appropriate orders: p, q, d

Hyndman and Khandakar (JSS, 2008) algorithm:

- Select no. differences d and D via KPSS test and seasonal strength measure.
- Select p, q by minimising AICc.
- Use stepwise search to traverse model space.

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Step 3: Consider variations of current model:

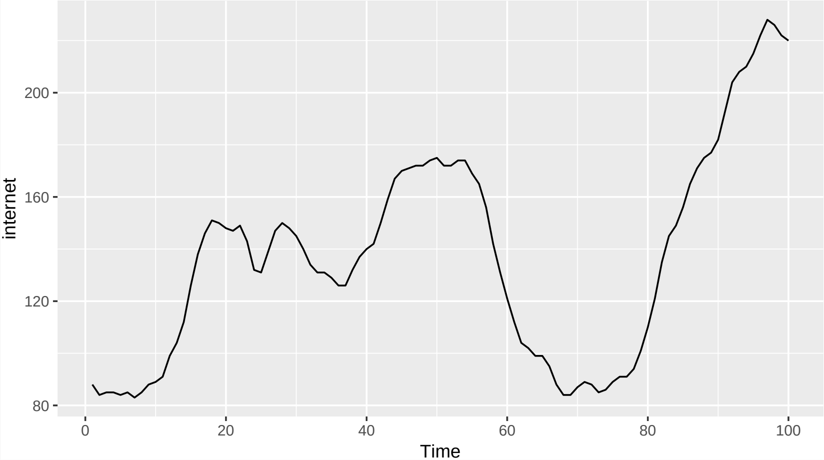
- vary one of $p, q,$ from current model by ± 1;
- p, q both vary from current model by ± 1;
- Include/exclude c from current model.

Model with lowest AICc becomes current model.

Repeat Step 3 until no lower AICc can be found.

Choosing an ARIMA model

```
autoplot(internet)
```



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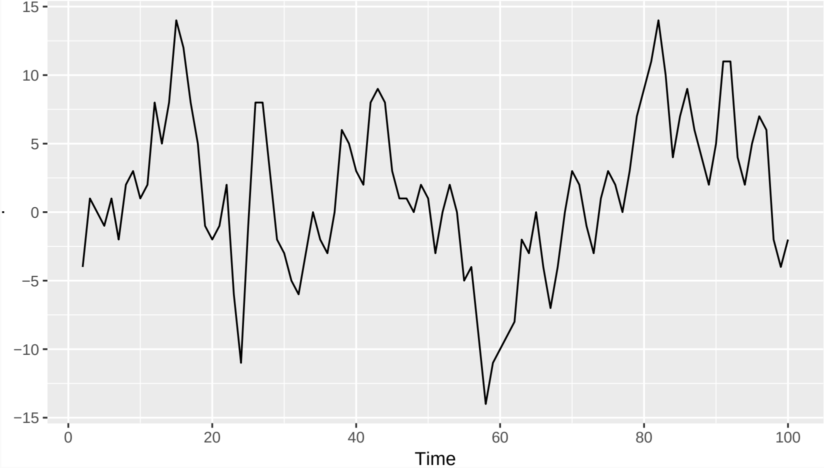
```r
internet %>% diff() %>% autoplot()
```



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```r
(fit <- auto.arima(internet))
```

```
## Series: internet
## ARIMA(1,1,1)
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1    ma1
##        0.650  0.526
## s.e.   0.084  0.090
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 10:  log likelihood=-254.2
## AIC=514.3   AICc=514.5   BIC=522.1
```

Choosing an ARIMA model

```r
(fit <- auto.arima(internet, stepwise=FALSE,
  approximation=FALSE))
```

```
## Series: internet
## ARIMA(3,1,0)
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1     ar2    ar3
##        1.151  -0.661  0.341
## s.e.  0.095   0.135  0.094
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 9.66:  log likelihood=-252
## AIC=512   AICc=512.4   BIC=522.4
```

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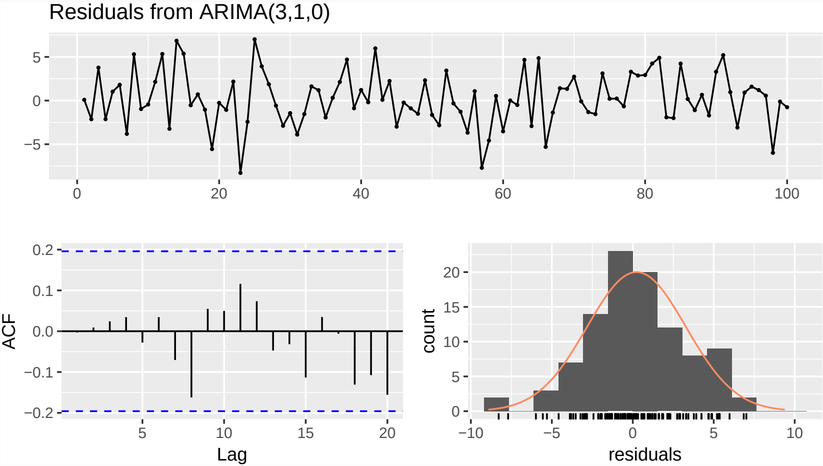
```r
checkresiduals(fit, plot=TRUE)
```



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```r
checkresiduals(fit, plot=FALSE)
```

```
##
##  Ljung-Box test
##
## data:  Residuals from ARIMA(3,1,0)
## Q* = 4.5, df = 7, p-value = 0.7
##
## Model df: 3.   Total lags used: 10
```

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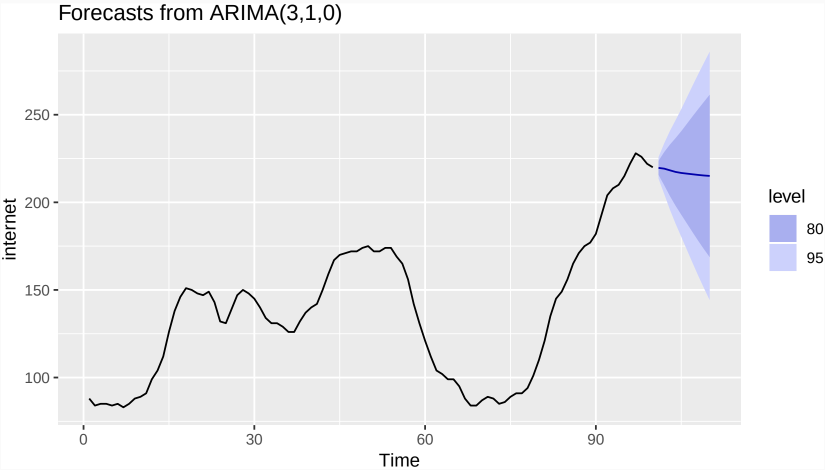
```
fit %>% forecast() %>% autoplot()
```



Modelling procedure with `auto.arima`

1. Plot the data. Identify any unusual observations.
2. If necessary, transform the data (using a Box-Cox transformation) to stabilize the variance.
3. Use `auto.arima` to select a model.
4. Check the residuals from your chosen model by plotting the ACF of the residuals, and doing a portmanteau test of the residuals. If they do not look like white noise, try a modified model.
5. Once the residuals look like white noise, calculate forecasts.

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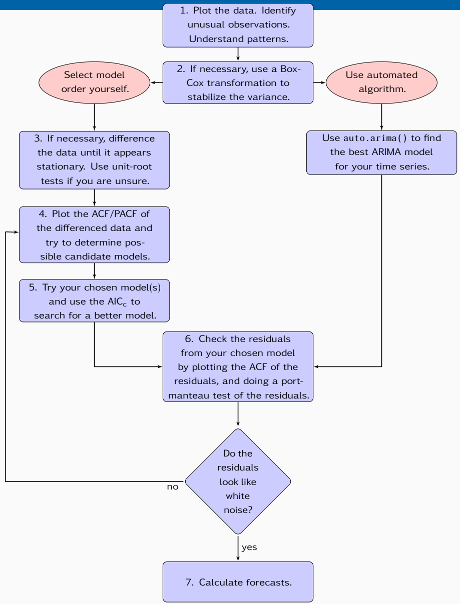
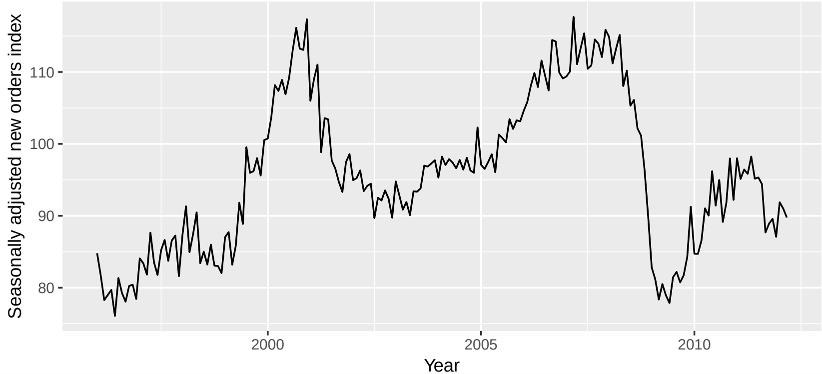


Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

```r
eeadj <- seasadj(stl(elecequip, s.window="periodic"
autoplot(eeadj) + xlab("Year") +
  ylab("Seasonally adjusted new orders index")
```

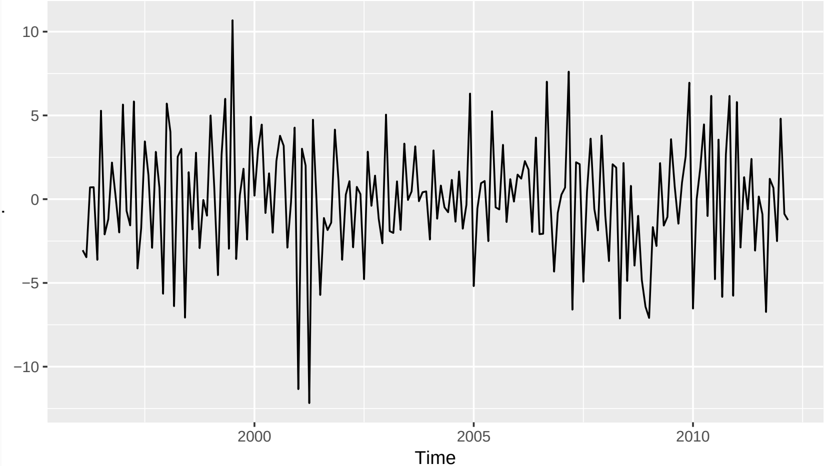


Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

1. Time plot shows sudden changes, particularly big drop in 2008/2009 due to global economic environment. Otherwise nothing unusual and no need for data adjustments.
2. No evidence of changing variance, so no Box-Cox transformation.
3. Data are clearly non-stationary, so we take first differences.

Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

```r
eeadj %>% diff() %>% autoplot()
```



Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

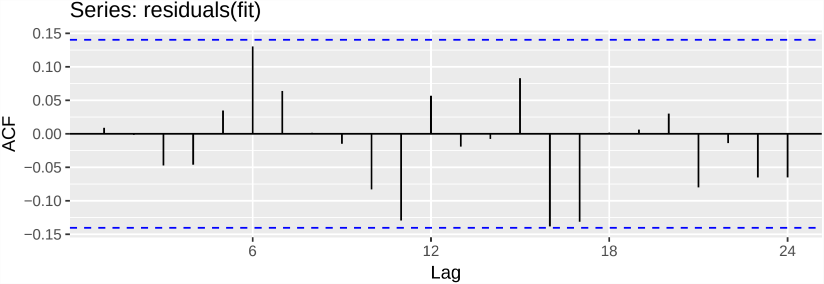
```r
fit <- auto.arima(eeadj, stepwise=FALSE, approximation=FALSE)
summary(fit)
```

```
## Series: eeadj
## ARIMA(3,1,1)
##
## Coefficients:
##         ar1    ar2    ar3     ma1
##       0.004  0.092  0.370  -0.392
## s.e.  0.220  0.098  0.067   0.243
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 9.58:  log likelihood=-492.7
## AIC=995.4   AICc=995.7   BIC=1012
##
## Training set error measures:
##                     ME  RMSE   MAE      MPE  MAPE   MASE
## Training set 0.03288 3.055 2.357 -0.00647 2.482 0.2884
##                     ACF1
```

Seasonally adjusted electrical equipment

6. ACF plot of residuals from ARIMA(3,1,1) model look like white noise.

```
ggAcf(residuals(fit))
```



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```

```
##
##  Ljung-Box test
##
## data:  Residuals from ARIMA(3,1,1)
## Q* = 24, df = 20, p-value = 0.2
##
## Model df: 4.   Total lags used: 24
```

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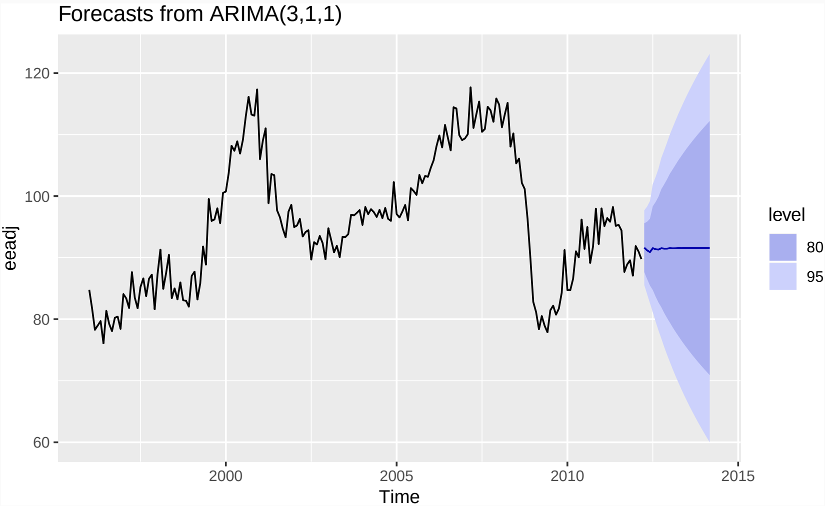
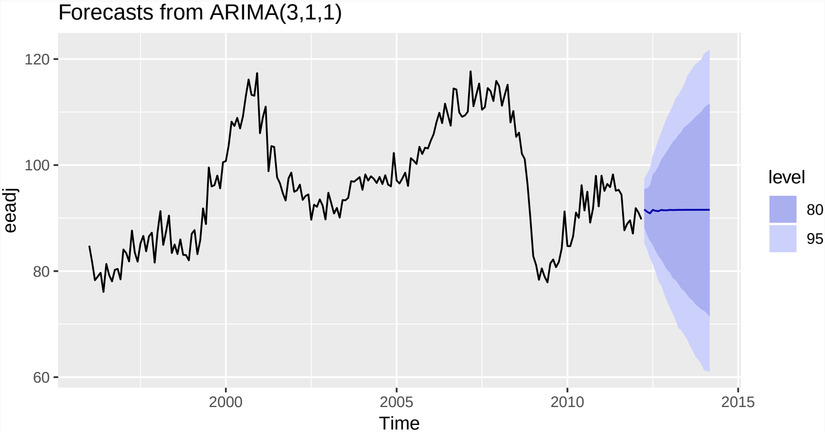


Prediction intervals

- Prediction intervals **increase in size with forecast horizon**.
- Calculations assume residuals are **uncorrelated** and **normally distributed**.
- Prediction intervals tend to be too narrow.
  - the uncertainty in the parameter estimates has not been accounted for.
  - the ARIMA model assumes historical patterns will not change during the forecast period.
  - the ARIMA model assumes uncorrelated future errors

Bootstrapped prediction intervals

```r
fit %>% forecast(bootstrap=TRUE) %>% autoplot()
```



- No assumption of normally distributed residuals.

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