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FORECASTING

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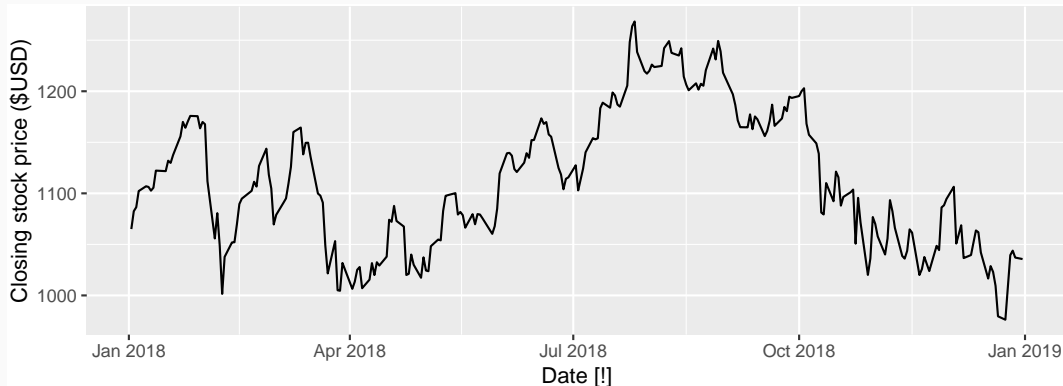
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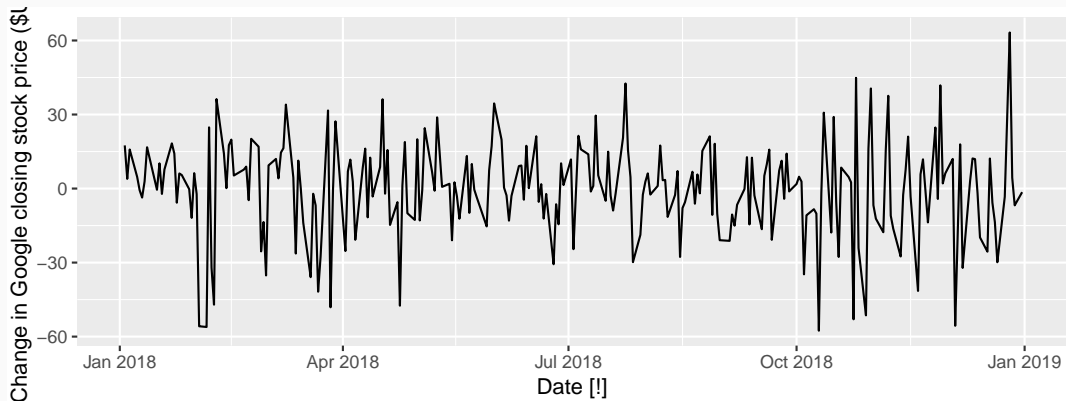
Example: Google stock price

```
google_2018 |>  
  autoplot(Close) +  
  labs(y = "Closing stock price ($USD)")
```



Example: Google stock price

```
google_2018 |>  
  autoplot(difference(Close)) +  
  labs(y = "Change in Google closing stock price ($USD)")
```



KPSS test

```
google_2018 %>%  
  features(Close, unitroot_kpss)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 3  
##   Symbol kpss_stat kpss_pvalue  
##   <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>  
## 1 GOOG      0.573      0.0252
```

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```
google_2018 %>%  
  features(Close, unitroot_kpss)
```

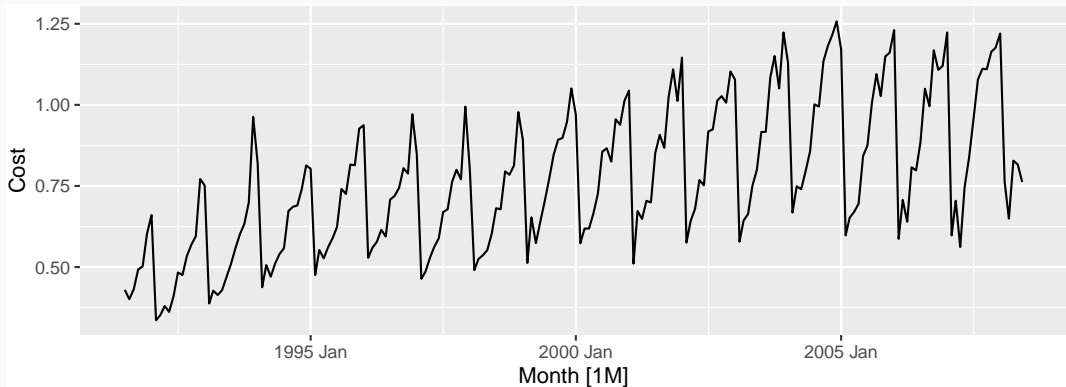
```
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##   Symbol kpss_stat kpss_pvalue  
##   <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>  
## 1 GOOG      0.573      0.0252
```

```
google_2018 %>%  
  features(Close, unitroot_ndiffs)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 2  
##   Symbol ndiffs  
##   <chr>   <int>  
## 1 GOOG     1
```

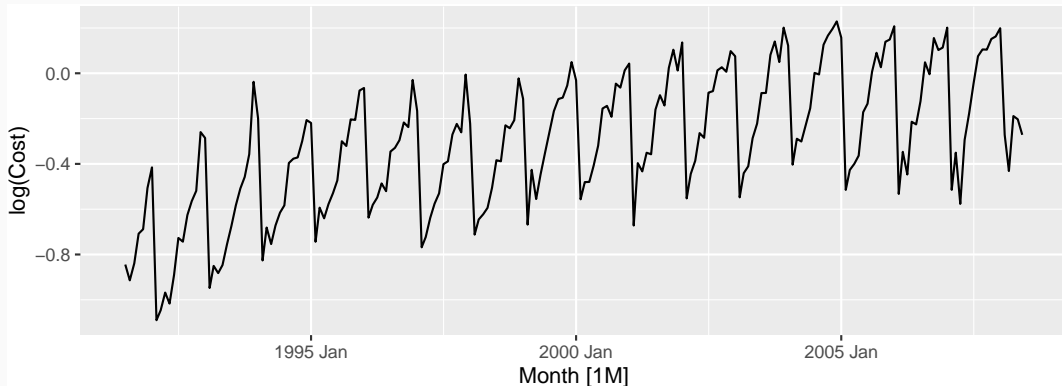
Corticosteroid drug sales

```
h02 |> autoplot(  
  Cost  
)
```



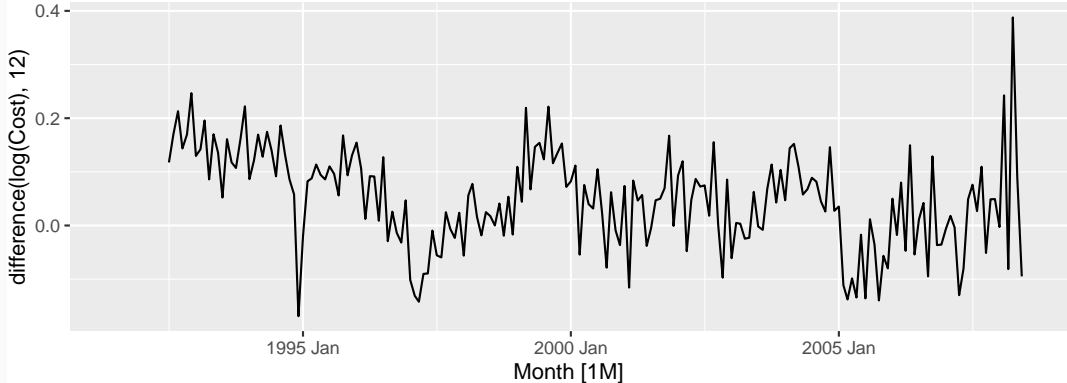
Corticosteroid drug sales

```
h02 |> autoplot(  
  log(Cost)  
)
```



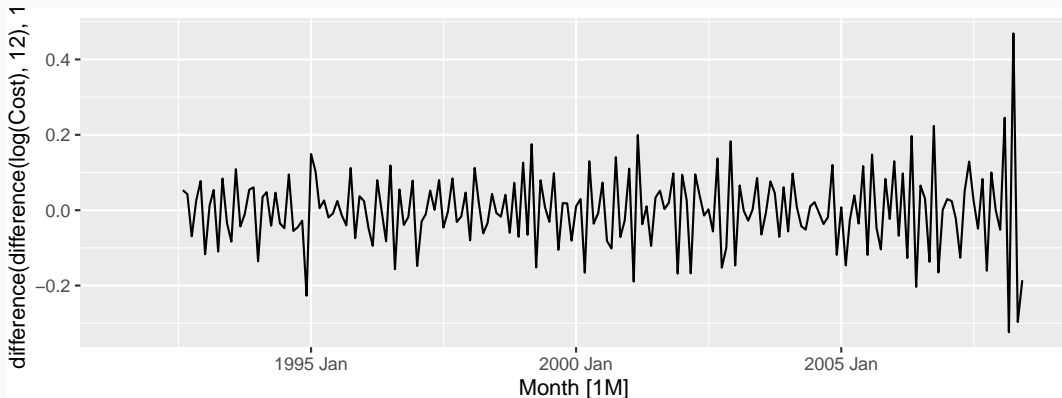
Corticosteroid drug sales

```
h02 |> autoplot(  
  log(Cost) |> difference(12)  
)
```



Corticosteroid drug sales

```
h02 |> autoplot(  
  log(Cost) |> difference(12) |> difference(1)  
)
```



Automatically selecting differences

STL decomposition: $y_t = T_t + S_t + R_t$

Seasonal strength $F_s = \max\left(0, 1 - \frac{\text{Var}(R_t)}{\text{Var}(S_t + R_t)}\right)$

If $F_s > 0.64$, do one seasonal difference.

```
h02 %>% mutate(log_sales = log(Cost)) %>%  
  features(log_sales, feat_stl)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 9  
##   trend_strength seasonal_strength_year seasonal_peak_year  
##           <dbl>                <dbl>                <dbl>  
## 1           0.957                0.955                6  
## # i 6 more variables: seasonal_trough_year <dbl>, spikiness <dbl>,  
## #   linearity <dbl>, curvature <dbl>, stl_e_acf1 <dbl>, stl_e_acf10 <dbl>
```

Automatically selecting differences

```
h02 %>% mutate(log_sales = log(Cost)) %>%  
  features(log_sales, unitroot_nsdiffs)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1  
##   nsdiffs  
##   <int>  
## 1      1
```

```
h02 %>% mutate(d_log_sales = difference(log(Cost), 12)) %>%  
  features(d_log_sales, unitroot_ndiffs)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1  
##   ndiffs  
##   <int>  
## 1      1
```