## MATH1307 - Forecasting Assignment 3

M3 Data Forecasting

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#### Introduction

International Institute of Forecasters runs M - Competitions (Forecasters 2017) to forecast multiple time series. The original data has 3003 time series of monthly, quarterly and yearly data which are further categorized into demographic, finance, industry, macroeconomic and micro economic. A subset of M3 with 303 time series is used to forecast from exponential smoothening models and state space models (R. J. Hyndman et al. 2008).

The task was to find the best model in the respective monthly, quarterly and yearly series along with the lowest MASE values while minimizing the non-normal and correlated standardized residuals. The allowable combinations of the models have been put to function with optimal criteria and bounds. For all the models MASE value, Shapiro-Wilks test p value, LJung-Box test p value has been recorded. Three selection criteria were made: first, where both shapiro and LJung p values were greater than 0.05, second, where only shapiro p value was greater than 0.05 and third, where LJung Box test p value was greater than 0.05. All models go through this algorithm and then forecasts are produced are selected with the selected model and transformed back to original scale if necessary. MASE is calculated with the remaining 5% of the series.

## Forecasting

Following steps are used to get the best fitting model:

- Time-series are divided into 3 parts i.e. Monthly, quarterly and Yearly. It is split into 95% training set and 5% test set.
- Each time series goes approximately 1200 combination of model in state space exponential smoothing. Parameters, MASE, AIC, BIC, residuals, and auditing data is collected during the process.
- The model if fit for original, transformed, first ordinary and seasonal differenced series. These series are fitted according to exponential, damped, bounds and optimization criteria.
- Best model is considered using values obtained by MASE, Shapiro, and Ljung-box. Residuals are considered if the selected model is good or bad. In case, all the selected model for specific time series has significant serial correlation with very low p value, lowest MASE model is considered as best model.

All series has been run using the above process. Below are the analysis from M3 Data forecasting.

## Analysis

#### Flow Chart

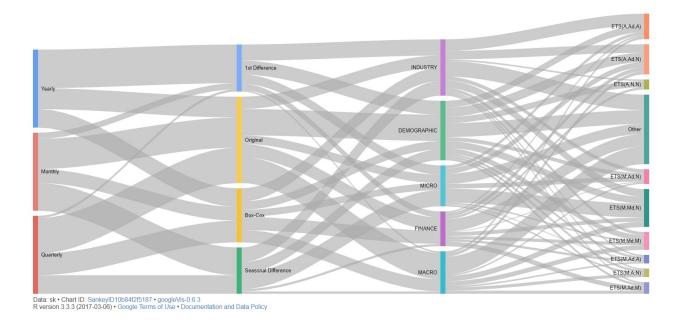


Figure 1: Flow diagram of Time Series models

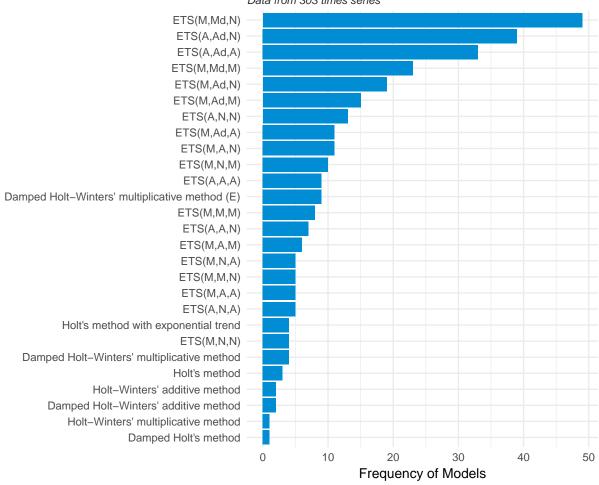
The following Sankey diagram shows the proportion of flow in model selection. Models fitted to the original series have performed better. First difference is rarely used for monthly and quarterly series, instead Box-Cox and seasonal difference is preferred. However, yearly models have been fitted using the first differenced series. The state space model with Multiplicative error, multiplicative damped trend and no seasonality is the most fitted, preferred with micro economic data.

#### Fitted Models

Figure 2 shows the list of all exponential and state space model models among time series. Model with Multiplicative error, multiplicative damped trend and no seasonality is the most fitted, followed by additive error, additive damped trend and no seasonality model. Exponential smoothing are the most uncommon with count less than 10 each.

Top 5 models contribute more than 50% of all fitted models.

# Frequency of fitted models in Sample M3 data Data from 303 times series



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Figure 2: Frequency of fitted models

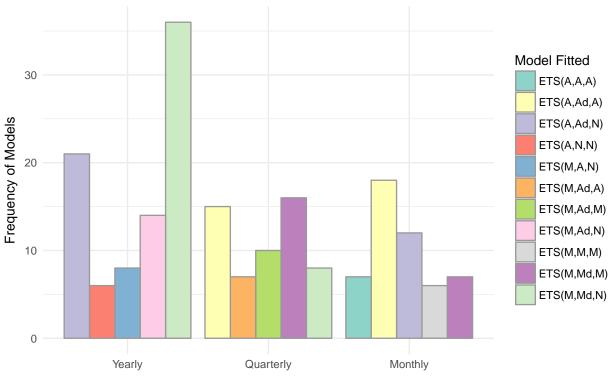
#### Top 5 Fitted Models by series Type

Figure 3 illustrates top 5 fitted models by seasonalty. For the quarterly model multiplicative error, multiplicative damped trend and multiplicative seasonality has been fitted the most followed by additive error, additive damped trend and no seasonality model.

For the monthly model additive error, additive damped trend and additive seasonality is the most fitted followed by additive error, additive damped trend and no seasonality model.

### Top 5 fitted models according to Series Frequency

(M,Md,N) Model for Yearly, (A,Ad,A) and (M,Md,N) in Quarterly, (A,Ad,A) for Monthly are Highest



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Figure 3: Top fitted models by Seasonality

#### Distribution of MASE

Figure 4 shows the MASE distribution in Monthly, Quarterly and Yearly data. In quarterly series, distribution is bi-model. Few outliers with high values has shifted mean value towards center.

Quarterly series is little right skewed and distribution is around mean level. Yearly MASE is negatively skewed and has no outliers.

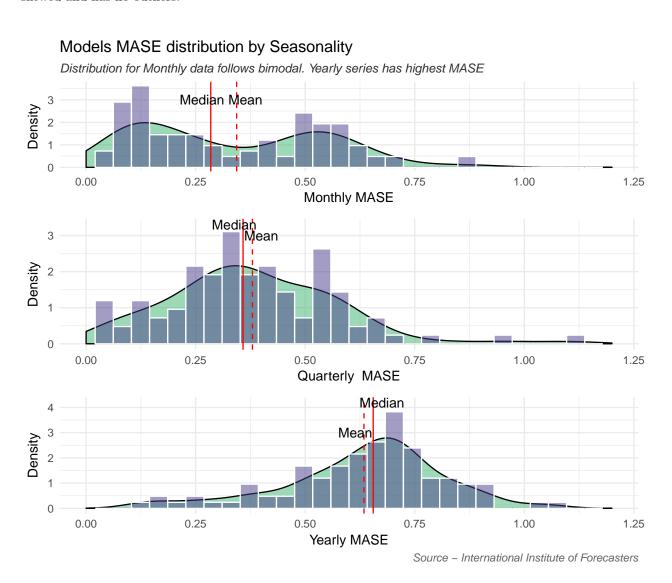


Figure 4: Models MASE distribution by Seasonality

The next Figure 5 shows the MASE distribution in different categories. Monthly Series has lowest MASE in almost all categories, while yearly has highest MASE near 1. Micro series has lowest interquartile range in all data types.

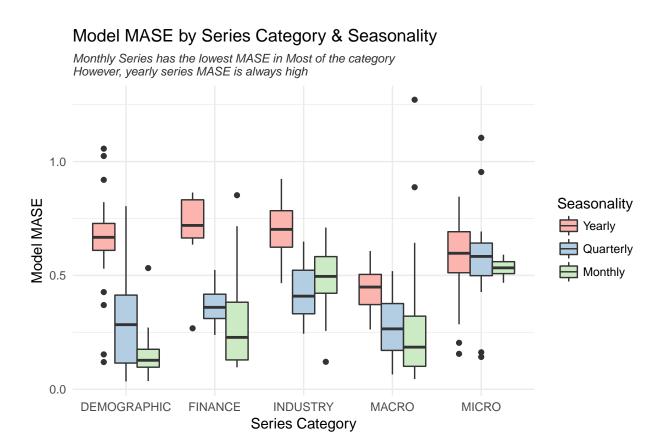


Figure 5: Model MASE by Series Category & Seasonality

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#### Results

The scatter plot from figure 6 shows 1 step ahead forecast with actual observed values by seasonality. All the models has fitted well with the observed series. Linear regression model is significant with around 0.9 R-Squared value for monthly, quarterly and yearly.

## 1 Step Ahead Forecasts and Actual Observed Series Values by Seasonality

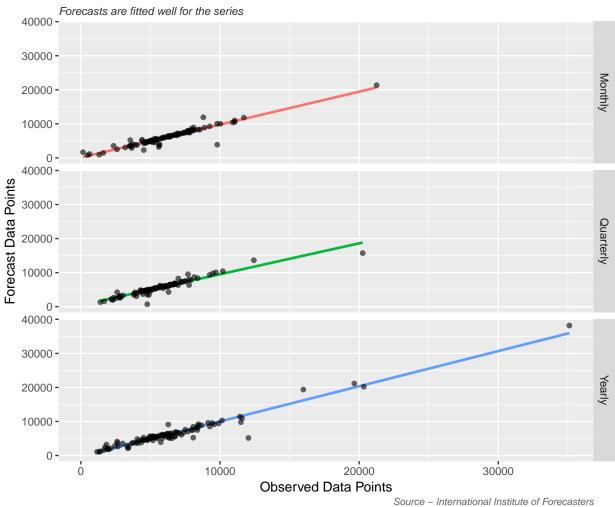


Figure 6: Forecasting Accuracy Comparision

Table 1: Time series Mean Summary

Season Frequency	Mean Model MASE	Mean Forecast MASE	Mean Shapiro	Mean Ljung
Monthly Quarterly Yearly	0.3435463 0.3796127 0.6341436	1.557314 1.220849 1.737954	$\begin{array}{c} 0.2500888 \\ 0.3182592 \\ 0.3765045 \end{array}$	0.5940995 $0.6382587$ $0.5669756$

Table 2: Time series Residual Count

Season Frequency	Non-Normal Std Residuals	Correlated Std Residuals
Monthly	14	5
Quarterly	2	1
Yearly	3	1

By examining Table 1 and 2, it can be inferred that monthly series has the smallest MASE value of 0.343, mean forecast MASE of 1.916, mean shapiro of 0.25, mean Ljung of 0.594, non normal standard residuals are 14, while the correlated standard residuals are 5. Monthly series has the most number of models with non normal and correlated standard residuals.

While the quaterly series has the smallest MASE value of 0.379, mean forecast MASE of 43.47, mean shapiro of 0.318, mean Ljung of 0.638, non normal standard residuals are 2, while the correlated standard residuals are 1.

The yearly series on the other hand has the MASE value of 0.634, mean forecast MASE of 48.89, mean shapiro of 0.376, mean Ljung of 0.566, non normal standard residuals are 3, while the correlated standard residuals are 1. This might be due to the generally smaller length of the yearly series.

Yearly models have the highest MASE values in all categories. Monthly series has overall low MASE values. 75% of MASE values are below 0.5. The monthly and quaterly forecasts are slightly accurate than the yearly forecast with less variation.

#### Conclusion

Random Forest mechanism with exponential smoothing and state space models is used to forecast M3 time series, which has produced interesting results. Model selection with MASE, AIC, BIC, Shapiro-Wilks, Ljung-Box and residual analysis ensure the accuracy on selection.

The study is limited to point forecast with least MASE scaled error. The reusable function can be used for other sets of time series with minor modifications. The algorithm calculation time can be optimized further.

## Appendix

#### Main Script

```
# Import Libraries and functions
library(forecast)
source('Functions.R')

# read data
monthly <- read_csv("~/Monthly.csv")</pre>
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quarterly <- read_csv("~/Quarterly.csv")</pre>
yearly <- read_csv("~/Yearly.csv")</pre>
# objects to store results (monthly)
models.monthly <- list()</pre>
model.info.monthly <- list()</pre>
forecasts.monthly <- list()</pre>
series95.monthly <- list()</pre>
series05.monthly <- list()</pre>
fitted.monthly <- list()</pre>
# array to store overall model fitting info
overall.info <- array(NA,
                       \dim = c(303,11),
                       dimnames = list(NULL,c("Series Category", "Season Frequency",
                                                "Model Fitted", "Series Used",
                                                "Model MASE", "Forecast MASE", "Shapiro-Wilks",
                                                "Ljung-Box", "AIC", "AICc", "BIC")))
count <- 1
# monthly loop
freq <- 12
for(i in 1:nrow(monthly)){
  # converting to ts objects leaving at least 2 observations in the 5% series
  if((0.05*monthly$N[i]<3) && (monthly[i,monthly$N[i]+5] == monthly[i,monthly$N[i]+6])){
    series95.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(monthly[i,7:(monthly$N[i]+3)]))),</pre>
                                  start = c(monthly$Starting.Year[i], monthly$Starting.Month[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
    series05.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(monthly[i,(monthly$N[i]+4):(monthly$N[i]+6)]))),</pre>
                                  start=end(series95.monthly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }else if(0.05*monthly$N[i]<3){</pre>
    series95.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(monthly[i,7:(monthly$N[i]+4)]))),</pre>
                                  start = c(monthly$Starting.Year[i], monthly$Starting.Month[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
    series05.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(monthly[i,(monthly$N[i]+5):(monthly$N[i]+6)]))),</pre>
                                  start=end(series95.monthly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }else{
    series95.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(monthly[i,7:(round(0.95*monthly$N[i])+6)]))),
                                  start=c(monthly$Starting.Year[i],monthly$Starting.Month[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
    series05.monthly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(monthly[i,(round(0.95*monthly$N[i])+7):(monthly$N[i]+6)]))),
                                  start=end(series95.monthly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }
  # model fitting
  fit <- expSmooth(series95.monthly[[i]])</pre>
  models.monthly[[i]] <- fit[[1]]</pre>
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model.info.monthly[[i]] <- fit[[2]]</pre>
fitted.monthly[[i]] <- models.monthly[[i]]$fitted</pre>
overall.info[count,"Model MASE"] <- model.info.monthly[[i]][,"MASE"]</pre>
overall.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- model.info.monthly[[i]][, "Shapiro-Wilks"]
overall.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Ljung-Box"]</pre>
# forecasts
forecasts.monthly[[i]] <- forecast(models.monthly[[i]], h = length(series05.monthly[[i]]))$mean</pre>
# reversing transformations
if(model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Original"){
 fitted.monthly[[i]] <- fitted.monthly[[i]] - model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"]</pre>
  forecasts.monthly[[i]] <- forecasts.monthly[[i]] - model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"]</pre>
if(model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Box-Cox"){
 fitted.monthly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(</pre>
    fitted.monthly[[i]], model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
 forecasts.monthly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(</pre>
    forecasts.monthly[[i]], model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
if(model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "1st Difference"){
 fitted.monthly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.monthly[[i]], xi = series95.monthly[[i]][1], lag = 1)
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.monthly[[i]]) ,</pre>
                   forecasts.monthly[[i]] - model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff, xi = series95.monthly[[i]][1],lag = 1)
 forecasts.monthly[[i]] = window(back.series,start = start(series05.monthly[[i]]))
if(model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Seasonal Difference"){
 fitted.monthly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.monthly[[i]], xi = series95.monthly[[i]][1:freq],lag = freq)</pre>
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.monthly[[i]], lag = freq) , forecasts.monthly[[i]] -</pre>
                     model.info.monthly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff, xi = series95.monthly[[i]][1:freq],lag = freq)
 forecasts.monthly[[i]] = window(back.series,start = start(series05.monthly[[i]]))
}
overall.info[count, "Forecast MASE"] <- as.numeric(MASE.custom(as.vector(fitted.monthly[[i]]),
                                                                 as.vector(series05.monthly[[i]]),
                                                                 as.vector(forecasts.monthly[[i]])))
# storing overall info
overall.info[count, "Series Category"] <- as.character(monthly[i, "Category"])</pre>
overall.info[count,"Season Frequency"] <- freq</pre>
overall.info[count,"Model Fitted"] <- models.monthly[[i]]$method</pre>
overall.info[count, "Series Used"] <- as.character(model.info.monthly[[i]][, "Series Used"])</pre>
overall.info[count, "AIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS", models.monthly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
 models.monthly[[i]]$aic}else{
    models.monthly[[i]]$model$aic}
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overall.info[count,"AICc"] <- if(grepl("ETS",models.monthly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.monthly[[i]] $aicc}else{
      models.monthly[[i]] $model $aicc}
  overall.info[count,"BIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS",models.monthly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
   models.monthly[[i]]$bic}else{
      models.monthly[[i]]$model$bic}
  count <- count + 1
}
# objects to store results (quarterly)
models.quarterly <- list()</pre>
model.info.quarterly <- list()</pre>
forecasts.quarterly <- list()</pre>
series95.quarterly <- list()</pre>
series05.quarterly <- list()</pre>
fitted.quarterly <- list()</pre>
# quarterly loop
freq <- 4
for(i in 1:nrow(quarterly)){
  series95.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(quarterly[i,7:(quarterly$N[i]+3)]))),
                                  start = c(quarterly$Starting.Year[i], quarterly$Starting.Month[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
    series05.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(quarterly[i,(quarterly$N[i]+4):(quarterly$N[i]+6)]))),
                                  start=end(series95.quarterly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }else if(0.05*quarterly$N[i]<3){</pre>
    series95.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(quarterly[i,7:(quarterly$N[i]+4)]))),
                                  start = c(quarterly$Starting.Year[i], quarterly$Starting.Quarter[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
    series05.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(quarterly[i,(quarterly$N[i]+5):(quarterly$N[i]+6)]))),
                                  start=end(series95.quarterly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }else{
    series95.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(quarterly[i,7:(round(0.95*quarterly$N[i])+6)]))),
                                  start=c(quarterly$Starting.Year[i],quarterly$Starting.Quarter[i]),
                                  frequency = freq)
   series05.quarterly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(quarterly[i,(round(0.95*quarterly$N[i])+7):(qua
                                  start=end(series95.quarterly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                  frequency = freq)
  }
  # model fitting
  fit <- expSmooth(series95.quarterly[[i]])</pre>
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models.quarterly[[i]] <- fit[[1]]</pre>
model.info.quarterly[[i]] <- fit[[2]]</pre>
fitted.quarterly[[i]] <- models.quarterly[[i]]$fitted</pre>
overall.info[count,"Model MASE"] <- model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"MASE"]</pre>
overall.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- model.info.quarterly[[i]][, "Shapiro-Wilks"]</pre>
overall.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Ljung-Box"]</pre>
# forecasts
forecasts.quarterly[[i]] <- forecast(models.quarterly[[i]],</pre>
                                      h = length(series05.quarterly[[i]]))$mean
# reversing transformations
if(model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Original"){
 fitted.quarterly[[i]] <- fitted.quarterly[[i]] -</pre>
    model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
 forecasts.quarterly[[i]] <- forecasts.quarterly[[i]] -</pre>
    model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
if(model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Box-Cox"){
  fitted.quarterly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(fitted.quarterly[[i]],</pre>
                                      model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
  forecasts.quarterly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(forecasts.quarterly[[i]],</pre>
                                          model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
if(model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "1st Difference"){
  fitted.quarterly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.quarterly[[i]], xi = series95.quarterly[[i]][1], lag = 1)
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.quarterly[[i]]) ,</pre>
                   forecasts.quarterly[[i]] -
                     model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff,
                         xi = series95.quarterly[[i]][1],
                         lag = 1)
 forecasts.quarterly[[i]] = window(back.series,
                                     start = start(series05.quarterly[[i]]))
if(model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Seasonal Difference"){
 fitted.quarterly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.quarterly[[i]],</pre>
                                    xi = series95.quarterly[[i]][1:freq],lag = freq)
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.quarterly[[i]], lag = freq) ,</pre>
                   forecasts.quarterly[[i]] - model.info.quarterly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff, xi = series95.quarterly[[i]][1:freq],lag = freq)
 forecasts.quarterly[[i]] = window(back.series,start = start(series05.quarterly[[i]]))
}
overall.info[count, "Forecast MASE"] <- as.numeric(</pre>
 MASE.custom(as.vector(fitted.quarterly[[i]]),
              as.vector(series05.quarterly[[i]]),
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as.vector(forecasts.quarterly[[i]])))
  # storing overall info
  overall.info[count, "Series Category"] <- as.character(quarterly[i, "Category"])</pre>
  overall.info[count, "Season Frequency"] <- freq</pre>
  overall.info[count,"Model Fitted"] <- models.quarterly[[i]]$method</pre>
  overall.info[count, "Series Used"] <- as.character(model.info.quarterly[[i]][, "Series Used"])</pre>
  overall.info[count, "AIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS", models.quarterly[[i]]$method)){
    models.quarterly[[i]]$aic}else{
      models.quarterly[[i]]$model$aic}
  overall.info[count,"AICc"] <- if(grepl("ETS",models.quarterly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.quarterly[[i]]$aicc}else{
      models.quarterly[[i]]$model$aicc}
  overall.info[count, "BIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS", models.quarterly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.quarterly[[i]]$bic}else{
      models.quarterly[[i]]$model$bic}
  count <- count + 1</pre>
}
# objects to store results (yearly)
models.yearly <- list()</pre>
model.info.yearly <- list()</pre>
forecasts.yearly <- list()</pre>
series95.yearly <- list()</pre>
series05.yearly <- list()</pre>
fitted.yearly <- list()</pre>
# yearly loop
freq = 1
for(i in 1:nrow(yearly)){
  series95.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(yearly[i,7:(yearly$N[i]+3)]))),</pre>
                                start = c(yearly$Starting.Year[i], yearly$Starting.Month[i]),
                                frequency = freq)
    series05.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(yearly[i,(yearly$N[i]+4):(yearly$N[i]+6)]))),</pre>
                                start=end(series95.yearly[[i]])+c(0,1),
                                frequency = freq)
  }else if(0.05*yearly$N[i]<3){</pre>
    series95.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(yearly[i,7:(yearly$N[i]+4)]))),</pre>
                                start = yearly$Starting.Year[i])
    series05.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(as.matrix(yearly[i,(yearly$N[i]+5):(yearly$N[i]+6)]))),</pre>
                                start=end(series95.yearly[[i]])+c(1,0))
  }else{
    series95.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(yearly[i,7:(round(0.95*yearly$N[i])+6)]))),
                                start=yearly$Starting.Year[i])
    series05.yearly[[i]] <- ts(as.vector(t(</pre>
      as.matrix(yearly[i,(round(0.95*yearly$N[i])+7):(yearly$N[i]+6)]))),
                                start=end(series95.yearly[[i]])+c(1,0))
  }
```

```
# model fitting
fit <- expSmooth(series95.yearly[[i]])</pre>
models.yearly[[i]] <- fit[[1]]</pre>
model.info.yearly[[i]] <- fit[[2]]</pre>
fitted.yearly[[i]] <- models.yearly[[i]]$fitted</pre>
overall.info[count,"Model MASE"] <- model.info.yearly[[i]][,"MASE"]</pre>
overall.info[count,"Shapiro-Wilks"] <- model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Shapiro-Wilks"]</pre>
overall.info[count, "Ljung-Box"] <- model.info.yearly[[i]][, "Ljung-Box"]
# forecasts
forecasts.yearly[[i]] <- tryCatch(forecast(models.yearly[[i]],</pre>
                                             h = length(series05.yearly[[i]]))$mean,
                                   error = function(cond){
                                     return(forecast(ets(series95.yearly[[i]], "ZZZ"),
                                                      h = length(series05.yearly[[i]]))$mean)
                                   })
# reversing transformations
if(model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Original"){
 fitted.yearly[[i]] <- fitted.yearly[[i]] - model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"]</pre>
  forecasts.yearly[[i]] <- forecasts.yearly[[i]] -</pre>
    model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
if(model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Box-Cox"){
 fitted.yearly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(fitted.yearly[[i]],</pre>
                                   model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
 forecasts.yearly[[i]] <- invBoxCox(forecasts.yearly[[i]],</pre>
                                      model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Lambda"]) -
    model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"]
if(model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "1st Difference"){
 fitted.yearly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.yearly[[i]], xi = series95.yearly[[i]][1], lag = 1)</pre>
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.yearly[[i]]) ,</pre>
                   forecasts.yearly[[i]] - model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff, xi = series95.yearly[[i]][1],lag = 1)
 forecasts.yearly[[i]] = window(back.series,start = start(series05.yearly[[i]]))
if(model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Series Used"] == "Seasonal Difference"){
 fitted.yearly[[i]] <- diffinv(fitted.yearly[[i]], xi = series95.yearly[[i]][1:freq], lag = freq)</pre>
  comb <- ts.union(diff(series95.yearly[[i]], lag = freq) ,</pre>
                   forecasts.yearly[[i]] - model.info.yearly[[i]][,"Added Value"])
 ts.combined.diff = pmin(comb[,1], comb[,2], na.rm = TRUE)
 back.series = diffinv(ts.combined.diff, xi = series95.yearly[[i]][1:freq],lag = freq)
 forecasts.yearly[[i]] = window(back.series,start = start(series05.yearly[[i]]))
}
overall.info[count, "Forecast MASE"] <- as.numeric(MASE.custom(as.vector(fitted.yearly[[i]]),
                                                                 as.vector(series05.yearly[[i]]),
                                                                 as.vector(forecasts.yearly[[i]])))
```

```
# storing overall info
  overall.info[count,"Series Category"] <- as.character(yearly[i,"Category"])</pre>
  overall.info[count,"Season Frequency"] <- freq</pre>
  overall.info[count, "Model Fitted"] <- models.yearly[[i]]$method
  overall.info[count, "Series Used"] <- as.character(model.info.yearly[[i]][, "Series Used"])</pre>
  overall.info[count,"AIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS",models.yearly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.yearly[[i]]$aic}else{
      models.yearly[[i]]$model$aic}
  overall.info[count,"AICc"] <- if(grepl("ETS",models.yearly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.yearly[[i]]$aicc}else{
      models.yearly[[i]]$model$aicc}
  overall.info[count, "BIC"] <- if(grepl("ETS", models.yearly[[i]]$method)){</pre>
    models.yearly[[i]]$bic}else{
      models.yearly[[i]]$model$bic}
  count <- count + 1</pre>
}
# Results
overall.info <- as.data.frame(overall.info)</pre>
overall.info[, c(2,5:11)] <- sapply(overall.info[, c(2,5:11)], as.character)
overall.info[, c(2,5:11)] <- sapply(overall.info[, c(2,5:11)], as.numeric)
colnames(overall.info) <- c("Series Category", "Season Frequency", "Model Fitted",</pre>
                              "Series Used", "Model MASE",
                              "Forecast MASE", "Shapiro-Wilks",
                              "Ljung-Box", "AIC", "AICc", "BIC")
# counting non-normal and correlated residuals
overall.info$`Non-Normal Std Residuals` <- ifelse(overall.info$`Shapiro-Wilks` < 0.05, 1, 0)
overall.info$`Correlated Std Residuals` <- ifelse(overall.info$`Ljung-Box` < 0.05, 1, 0)
# filtering by series season frequency
overall.info.monthly <- overall.info[overall.info[,"Season Frequency"] == 12,]</pre>
overall.info.quarterly <- overall.info[overall.info[, "Season Frequency"] == 4,]</pre>
overall.info.yearly <- overall.info[overall.info[,"Season Frequency"] == 1,]</pre>
results <- data.frame(matrix(NA, nrow = 3, ncol = 6), row.names = c("Monthly", "Quarterly", "Yearly"))
colnames(results) <- c("Mean Model MASE", "Mean Forecast MASE", "Mean Shapiro",</pre>
                         "Mean Ljung", "Non-Normal Std Residuals",
                        "Correlated Std Residuals")
results[1,1] <- mean(overall.info.monthly[,"Model MASE"])</pre>
results[2,1] <- mean(overall.info.quarterly[,"Model MASE"])</pre>
results[3,1] <- mean(overall.info.yearly[,"Model MASE"])</pre>
results[1,2] <- mean(overall.info.monthly[,"Forecast MASE"])</pre>
results[2,2] <- mean(overall.info.quarterly[,"Forecast MASE"])</pre>
results[3,2] <- mean(overall.info.yearly[,"Forecast MASE"])</pre>
results[1,3] <- mean(overall.info.monthly[,"Shapiro-Wilks"])</pre>
results[2,3] <- mean(overall.info.quarterly[,"Shapiro-Wilks"])</pre>
results[3,3] <- mean(overall.info.yearly[,"Shapiro-Wilks"])</pre>
results[1,4] <- mean(overall.info.monthly[,"Ljung-Box"])</pre>
results[2,4] <- mean(overall.info.quarterly[,"Ljung-Box"])</pre>
results[3,4] <- mean(overall.info.yearly[,"Ljung-Box"])</pre>
```

```
results[1,5] <- mean(sum(overall.info.monthly[,"Non-Normal Std Residuals"]))
results[2,5] <- mean(sum(overall.info.quarterly[,"Non-Normal Std Residuals"]))
results[3,5] <- mean(sum(overall.info.yearly[,"Non-Normal Std Residuals"]))
results[1,6] <- mean(sum(overall.info.monthly[,"Correlated Std Residuals"]))
results[2,6] <- mean(sum(overall.info.quarterly[,"Correlated Std Residuals"]))
results[3,6] <- mean(sum(overall.info.quarterly[,"Correlated Std Residuals"]))</pre>
```

#### Functions.R Script

```
library(forecast)
expSmooth <- function(ts) {</pre>
  # array to store models
  models <- list()</pre>
  model.info <- array(NA,
                         \dim = c(1500,7),
                         dimnames = list(NULL,c("ID","MASE","Shapiro-Wilks",
                                                   "Ljung-Box", "Series Used", "Lambda", "Added Value")))
  # model options
  exponential <- c(TRUE, FALSE)</pre>
  damped <- c(TRUE,FALSE)</pre>
  method <- c("ANN","ANA","MNN","MNA","MNM")</pre>
  methodDamp <- c("AAN","AAA","MAN","MMN","MAA","MAM","MMM")</pre>
  opt.crit <- c("lik", "amse", "mse", "sigma", "mae")</pre>
  bounds <- c("both", "usual", "admissible")</pre>
  # time series lists
  ts.pos.list <- list()</pre>
  ts.neg.list <- list()</pre>
  ts.neg.list[[1]] <- ts
  # adjusting negative series & box-cox transformations
  min_value <- min(ts)
  add_value <- 0
  if(min_value <= 0){</pre>
    add_value <- abs(min_value) + 2</pre>
    ts_add <- ts + add_value
    lambda <- BoxCox.lambda(ts_add, method = "loglik")</pre>
    bc <- BoxCox(ts_add,lambda)</pre>
    ts.pos.list[[1]] <- ts_add</pre>
    ts.pos.list[[2]] <- bc
    ts.neg.list[[2]] <- bc
    lambda <- BoxCox.lambda(ts, method = "loglik")</pre>
    bc <- BoxCox(ts,lambda)</pre>
    ts.pos.list[[1]] <- ts</pre>
    ts.pos.list[[2]] <- bc
    ts.neg.list[[2]] <- bc
```

```
# differencing
ts.diff <- diff(ts)</pre>
ts.neg.list[[3]] <- ts.diff</pre>
ts.seas.diff <- diff(ts, lag = frequency(ts))
ts.neg.list[[4]] <- ts.seas.diff</pre>
add_value_seas_diff <- abs(min(ts.seas.diff)) + 2</pre>
ts.seas.diff.add <- ts.seas.diff + add_value_seas_diff</pre>
ts.pos.list[[4]] <- ts.seas.diff.add</pre>
add_value_diff <- abs(min(ts.diff)) + 2</pre>
ts.diff.add <- ts.diff + add_value_diff</pre>
ts.pos.list[[3]] <- ts.diff.add</pre>
# ts info
added.value.neg <- c(0,add_value,0,0)
added.value.pos <- c(add_value,add_value,add_value_diff,add_value_seas_diff)</pre>
lambda.array <- c(0,lambda,0,0)</pre>
ts.type <- c("Original", "Box-Cox", "1st Difference", "Seasonal Difference")
# array row counter
count <- 1
for(j in 1:length(ts.neg.list)){
  model <- try(holt(ts.neg.list[[j]], damped = TRUE, exponential = FALSE),</pre>
                silent = TRUE)
  models[[count]] <- model</pre>
  model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
  model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
  model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
  model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                     lag = 1,
                                                    type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                    fitdf = 0)$p.value, silent = TRUE)
  model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
  model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
  model.info[count,"Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
  count <- count + 1
  model <- try(ses(ts.neg.list[[j]]), silent = TRUE)</pre>
  models[[count]] <- model</pre>
  model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
  model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
  model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
  model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                    lag = 1,
                                                     type = "Ljung-Box",
```

```
fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                           silent = TRUE)
  model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
  model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
  model.info[count,"Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
  count <- count + 1
}
for(i in 1:2){
  for(j in 1:length(ts.pos.list)){
    if(exponential[i] == TRUE){
      model <- try(holt(ts.pos.list[[j]], damped = FALSE,</pre>
                          exponential = exponential[i]), silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,
                                                   silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                         lag = 1,
                                                         type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                         fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.pos[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1</pre>
    }else{
      model <- try(holt(ts.neg.list[[j]], damped = FALSE, exponential = exponential[i]),</pre>
                    silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"],</pre>
                                          silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,
                                                   silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                         lag = 1,
                                                         type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                         fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1
    }
    model <- try(hw(ts.neg.list[[j]], damped = damped[i], exponential = FALSE,</pre>
```

```
seasonal = "additive"), silent = TRUE)
    models[[count]] <- model
    model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
    model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"],</pre>
                                       silent = TRUE)
    model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,</pre>
                                                silent = TRUE)
    model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                     lag = 1,
                                                     type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                     fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                            silent = TRUE)
    model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
    model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
    model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
    count <- count + 1
  }
}
# option grid
expand.de <- expand.grid(damped, exponential, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
for(i in 1:nrow(expand.de)){
  for(j in 1:length(ts.pos.list)){
    model <- try(hw(ts.pos.list[[j]], damped = expand.de[i,1], exponential = expand.de[i,2],</pre>
                     seasonal = "multiplicative"), silent = TRUE)
    models[[count]] <- model</pre>
    model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
    model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model$model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
    model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$model$residuals)$p.value,
                                                silent = TRUE)
    model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$model$residuals,</pre>
                                                      lag = 1,
                                                      type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                     fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                            silent = TRUE)
    model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
    model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
    model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.pos[j]</pre>
    count <- count + 1
  }
}
# options grid
expand.mob <- expand.grid(method, opt.crit, bounds, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
for(i in 1:nrow(expand.mob)){
  for(j in 1:length(ts.pos.list)){
    if(grepl("M",expand.mob[i,1])){
```

```
model <- try(ets(ts.pos.list[[j]],model = expand.mob[i,1], opt.crit = expand.mob[i,2],</pre>
                         bounds = expand.mob[i,3]), silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$residuals)$p.value,
                                                   silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$residuals,</pre>
                                                        lag = 1,
                                                        type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                        fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                              silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.pos[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1
    }else{
      model <- try(ets(ts.neg.list[[j]],model = expand.mob[i,1],</pre>
                         opt.crit = expand.mob[i,2],
                         bounds = expand.mob[i,3]), silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$residuals)$p.value,</pre>
                                                   silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$residuals,</pre>
                                                        lag = 1,
                                                        type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                        fitdf = 0)$p.value,
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1
    }
  }
}
# options grid
expand.mdob <- expand.grid(methodDamp, damped, opt.crit, bounds, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
for(i in 1:nrow(expand.mdob)){
  for(j in 1:length(ts.pos.list)){
    if(grepl("M",expand.mdob[i,1])){
      model <- try(ets(ts.pos.list[[j]],model = expand.mdob[i,1], damped = expand.mdob[i,2],</pre>
                         bounds = expand.mdob[i,4]), silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$residuals)$p.value,
```

```
silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$residuals,</pre>
                                                         lag = 1,
                                                         type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                         fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count, "Added Value"] <- added.value.pos[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1</pre>
    }else{
      model <- try(ets(ts.neg.list[[j]],model = expand.mdob[i,1],</pre>
                         damped = expand.mdob[i,2],
                         bounds = expand.mdob[i,4]), silent = TRUE)
      models[[count]] <- model</pre>
      model.info[count,"ID"] <- count</pre>
      model.info[count,"MASE"] <- try(accuracy(model)[1,"MASE"], silent = TRUE)</pre>
      model.info[count, "Shapiro-Wilks"] <- try(shapiro.test(model$residuals)$p.value,</pre>
                                                   silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count,"Ljung-Box"] <- try(Box.test(model$residuals,</pre>
                                                         lag = 1,
                                                         type = "Ljung-Box",
                                                         fitdf = 0)$p.value,
                                               silent = TRUE)
      model.info[count, "Series Used"] <- ts.type[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Lambda"] <- lambda.array[j]</pre>
      model.info[count,"Added Value"] <- added.value.neg[j]</pre>
      count <- count + 1</pre>
  }
}
# formatting array
model.info <- as.data.frame(model.info)</pre>
model.info <- model.info[complete.cases(model.info),]</pre>
model.info[, c(1:4,6:7)] \leftarrow sapply(model.info[, c(1:4,6:7)], as.character)
model.info[, c(1:4,6:7)] \leftarrow sapply(model.info[, c(1:4,6:7)], as.numeric)
colnames(model.info) <- c("ID", "MASE", "Shapiro-Wilks",</pre>
                            "Ljung-Box", "Series Used", "Lambda", "Added Value")
# models with shapiro & ljung > 0.05
good.residuals <- model.info[model.info[,"Shapiro-Wilks"] > 0.05,]
good.residuals <- good.residuals[good.residuals[,"Ljung-Box"] > 0.05,]
good.residuals <- good.residuals[complete.cases(good.residuals),]</pre>
# models with shapiro > 0.05 or ljung > 0.05
good.shapiro <- model.info[model.info[,"Shapiro-Wilks"] > 0.05,]
good.ljung <- model.info[model.info[,"Ljung-Box"] > 0.05,]
good.shapiro <- good.shapiro[complete.cases(good.shapiro),]</pre>
good.ljung <- good.ljung[complete.cases(good.ljung),]</pre>
```

```
# select best residual/MASE combo
  if(nrow(good.residuals) > 0){
    best.model.info <- good.residuals[order(good.residuals[,"MASE"]),][1,]</pre>
    best.model <- models[[best.model.info[,"ID"]]]</pre>
  }else if(nrow(good.shapiro) > 0){
    best.model.info <- good.shapiro[order(good.shapiro[,"MASE"]),][1,]</pre>
    best.model <- models[[best.model.info[,"ID"]]]</pre>
  }else if(nrow(good.ljung) > 0){
    best.model.info <- good.ljung[order(good.ljung[,"MASE"]),][1,]</pre>
    best.model <- models[[best.model.info[,"ID"]]]</pre>
  }else{
    best.model.info <- model.info[order(model.info[,"MASE"]),][1,]</pre>
    best.model <- models[[best.model.info[,"ID"]]]</pre>
  }
  result <- list(best.model, best.model.info)</pre>
  return(result)
}
MASE.custom = function(training, test, forecasts){
  # training: Training set, should be vector.
  # test: Test set, should be vector.
  # forecasts: Forecasts obtained by the best model, should be vector.
  # The number of forecasts should be the same as the length of test set.
  n = length(training)
  e.t = test - forecasts
  sum = 0
  for (i in 2:n){
    sum = sum + abs(training[i] - training[i-1] )
  q.t = e.t / (sum/(n-1))
 MASE = mean(abs(q.t))
  return(MASE = MASE)
}
invBoxCox <- function(x, lambda){</pre>
  if (lambda == 0){
    exp(x)
 }else{
    (lambda*x + 1)^(1/lambda)
  }
```

#### Report Analysis

```
#Load Libraries
require(tidyverse)
require(cowplot)
require(googleVis)
# Read files
overall.info.2 = read_csv('Overall_info.csv')
overall.info.2$`Season Frequency` <- overall.info.2$`Season Frequency` %>%
  factor(levels = c(1,4,12), labels = c("Yearly", "Quarterly", "Monthly"))
# sankey
sk1 <- as.data.frame(table(overall.info.1$`Season Frequency`,overall.info.1$`Series Used`))
sk2 <- as.data.frame(table(overall.info.1$`Series Used`,overall.info.1$`Series Category`))</pre>
sk3 <- as.data.frame(table(overall.info.1$`Series Category`,overall.info.1$`Model Fitted`))
sk <- rbind(sk1,sk2,sk3)
sankey <- gvisSankey(sk, from='Var1', to='Var2', weight='Freq',</pre>
                     options=list(height=550, width=1200, title="Diagram Title"))
plot(sankey)
# Data Wrangling
models.info = overall.info.2 %>%
  select(`Model Fitted`) %>%
  group_by(`Model Fitted`) %>%
 summarise(Freq = n())
# Rename long value
models.info$`Model Fitted`[models.info$`Model Fitted` ==
                             "Damped Holt-Winters' multiplicative method with exponential trend"] <-
  "Damped Holt-Winters' multiplicative method (E)"
# factoring to sort
models.info$`Model Fitted` = models.info$`Model Fitted` %>%
  factor(levels = models.info$`Model Fitted`[order(models.info$Freq)])
# visualize bar chart
ggplot(models.info,aes(x=`Model Fitted`,y=`Freq`)) +
  geom_bar(stat='identity', fill='#008dd3') +
  coord flip() +
  ggtitle('Frequency of fitted models in Sample M3 data') +
  xlab('') +
  ylab('Frequency of Models') +
  labs(subtitle = 'Data from 303 times series',
       caption="Source - International Institute of Forecasters") +
 theme minimal() +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(size = 9,color = '#666666',face = "italic"),
        plot.subtitle = element_text(color = '#333333',face = "italic"))
```

```
# Data Wrangling
models.seasonal = overall.info.2 %>%
  select(`Model Fitted`, `Season Frequency`) %>%
  group_by(`Model Fitted`,`Season Frequency`) %>%
  summarise(Freq = n())
models.seasonal.M = models.seasonal %>%
  filter(`Season Frequency` == 'Monthly') %>%
  arrange(desc(Freq)) %>% head(5)
models.seasonal.Q = models.seasonal %>%
  filter(`Season Frequency` == 'Quarterly') %>%
  arrange(desc(Freq)) %>% head(5)
models.seasonal.Y = models.seasonal %>%
  filter(`Season Frequency` == 'Yearly') %>%
  arrange(desc(Freq)) %>% head(5)
models.seasonal = rbind(models.seasonal.M,models.seasonal.Q),models.seasonal.Y)
# visualize bar chart
ggplot(models.seasonal,aes(x=`Season Frequency`,y=`Freq`, fill=`Model Fitted`)) +
  geom_bar(stat='identity', position = 'dodge', color = '#999999') +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Set3") +
  ggtitle('Top 5 fitted models according to Series Frequency') +
  xlab('') +
  ylab('Frequency of Models') +
  labs(subtitle = paste('(M,Md,N) Model for Yearly, (A,Ad,A) and',
                        ' (M,Md,N) in Quarterly, (A,Ad,A) for Monthly are Highest',
       caption="Source - International Institute of Forecasters") +
  theme minimal() +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(size = 9,color = '#666666',face = "italic"),
        plot.subtitle = element_text(color = '#333333',face = "italic"))
# histograms for MASE distribution for
overall.info.monthly <- overall.info.2[overall.info.2$`Season Frequency` == 'Monthly',]
overall.info.quarterly <- overall.info.2[overall.info.2$`Season Frequency` == 'Quarterly',]
overall.info.yearly <- overall.info.2[overall.info.2$`Season Frequency` == 'Yearly',]
h1 <- ggplot(data = overall.info.monthly, aes(x = `Model MASE`)) +
  geom_density(alpha = 1/2, fill = "mediumseagreen") +
  geom_histogram(colour = "white", bins = 30, aes(`Model MASE`,..density..),
                 alpha = 1/2, fill = "darkslateblue") +
  geom_vline(xintercept = mean(overall.info.monthly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red", linetype = 2) +
  annotate("text", label = "Mean", x = mean(overall.info.monthly$`Model MASE`) + 0.02, y = 3)+
  geom_vline(xintercept = median(overall.info.monthly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red") +
  annotate("text", label = "Median", x = median(overall.info.monthly$`Model MASE`) - 0.02, y = 3) +
  labs(y = "Density", x = "Monthly MASE",
       title = 'Models MASE distribution by Seasonality',
       subtitle = 'Distribution for Monthly data follows bimodal. Yearly series has highest MASE') +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(0,1.2)) +
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theme_minimal() +
  theme(plot.subtitle = element_text(color = '#333333', face = "italic"))
h2 <- ggplot(data = overall.info.quarterly, aes(x = `Model MASE`)) +
  geom_density(alpha = 1/2, fill = "mediumseagreen") +
  geom_histogram(colour = "white", bins = 30, aes(`Model MASE`,..density..),
                 alpha = 1/2, fill = "darkslateblue") +
  geom_vline(xintercept = mean(overall.info.quarterly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red", linetype = 2) +
  annotate("text", label = "Mean", x = mean(overall.info.quarterly$^Model MASE`) + 0.02, y = 3)+
  geom_vline(xintercept = median(overall.info.quarterly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red") +
  annotate("text", label = "Median", x = median(overall.info.quarterly$`Model MASE`) - 0.02, y = 3.3) +
  labs(y = "Density", x = "Quarterly MASE") +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(0,1.2)) +
  theme_minimal()
h3 <- ggplot(data = overall.info.yearly, aes(x = `Model MASE`)) +
  geom_density(alpha = 1/2, fill = "mediumseagreen") +
  geom_histogram(colour = "white", bins = 30, aes(`Model MASE`,..density..),
                 alpha = 1/2, fill = "darkslateblue") +
  geom_vline(xintercept = mean(overall.info.yearly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red", linetype = 2) +
  annotate("text", label = "Mean", x = mean(overall.info.yearly$`Model MASE`) - 0.02, y = 3)+
  geom_vline(xintercept = median(overall.info.yearly$`Model MASE`), colour = "red") +
  annotate("text", label = "Median", x = median(overall.info.yearly$`Model MASE`) + 0.02, y = 4.2) +
  labs(y = "Density", x = "Yearly MASE",
       caption="Source - International Institute of Forecasters") +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(0,1.2)) +
  theme minimal() +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(size = 9,color = '#666666',face = "italic"))
# Combine All plots
cow <- plot_grid(h1, h2,h3,</pre>
                 nrow = 3, ncol = 1,
                 vjust = 1, hjust = -1.8, label_fontface = "bold.italic")
COW
# Box Plot
ggplot(data = overall.info.2, aes(y = `Model MASE`)) +
  geom_boxplot(aes(x = `Series Category`, fill = `Season Frequency`)) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = 'Pastel1') +
  labs(fill = "Seasonality", title = "Model MASE by Series Category & Seasonality") +
 theme_minimal() +
  labs(subtitle = paste('Monthly Series has the lowest MASE in Most of the category',
                        '\nHowever, yearly series MASE is always high'),
       caption="Source - International Institute of Forecasters") +
  theme minimal() +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(size = 9,color = '#666666',face = "italic"),
        plot.subtitle = element_text(size = 9, color = '#333333',face = "italic"))
# Read data
lm.data = read.csv('frc.1step.csv')
ggplot(lm.data, aes(x = Observed, y = Forecast)) +
  stat_smooth(method = "lm", aes(colour = Seasonality), se=F) +
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geom_point(alpha=.6) +
  facet_grid(Seasonality~.) +
  guides(colour = FALSE) +
  ggtitle('1 Step Ahead Forecasts and Actual Observed Series Values by Seasonality') +
  xlab('Observed Data Points') +
  ylab('Forecast Data Points') +
  labs(subtitle = 'Forecasts are fitted well for the series',
       caption="Source - International Institute of Forecasters") +
  theme grey() +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(size = 9,color = '#666666',face = "italic"),
       plot.subtitle = element_text(color = '#333333',face = "italic"))
# Summary Table
model.summary = overall.info.2 %>%
  group_by(`Season Frequency`) %>%
  summarise('Mean Model MASE' = mean(`Model MASE`),
            'Mean Forecast MASE'=mean(`Forecast MASE`),
            'Mean Shapiro'=mean(`Shapiro-Wilks`),
            'Mean Ljung'=mean(`Ljung-Box`),
            'Non-Normal Std Residuals' = sum(`Non-Normal Std Residuals`),
            'Correlated Std Residuals' = sum(`Correlated Std Residuals`)) %>%
  arrange(`Mean Model MASE`)
kable(model.summary[,1:5], caption="\\label{tab:summary1}Time series Mean Summary")
kable(model.summary[,c(1,6:7)] , caption="\\label{tab:summary2}Time series Residual Count")
# Linear Regression
lm.data.m = lm.data %>% filter(Seasonality == 'Monthly')
summary(lm(formula = Forecast ~ Observed, data = lm.data.m))
# 0.902
lm.data.q = lm.data %>% filter(Seasonality == 'Quarterly')
summary(lm(formula = Forecast ~ Observed, data = lm.data.q))
# 0.8942
lm.data.y = lm.data %>% filter(Seasonality == 'Yearly')
summary(lm(formula = Forecast ~ Observed, data = lm.data.y))
#0.9444
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