

Section 1: Business Need and Importance

Life expectancy strongly indicates a country's health, development, and impact on its citizens' well-being. Additionally, life expectancy can highlight which countries may need help from outside world development organizations such as the World Health Organization or UNICEF. Collecting this data on life expectancy annually is vital to this business, who can utilize the data analysis on life expectancy and its factors to understand better where to place their resource best, advocate for policy changes, and intervene with targeted programs. However, to truly make an impact all data must be collected annually, consistently, or at least weak analysis may be emerged. A public dataset from the World Bank analyzes different factors that impact the life expectancy of 174 countries. In this analysis, businesses can fully understand the life expectancy of different countries and the variables that impact life expectancy, such as GDP healthcare expenditure, the percentage of people living in poverty, and government corruption ratesⁱ. Utilizing cluster analysis of life expectancy, businesses can get a comprehensive understanding of countries that need specific assistance, such as Doctors without Borders, compared to the World Food Project. With more insights into the variables that impact life expectancy, organizations can put together specific plans to increase life expectancy. Moreover, forecasting analysis will allow businesses to see the impact of their program. Annual life expectancy data allows world organizations to make long-lasting impacts on health crises and programs for all countries.

Section 2: Statistical Methodology

The first unsupervised data mining technique used was agglomerative clustering. In the dataset, each country is given an associated life expectancy and year. Agglomerative clustering was chosen because it can handle mixed datasets and small datasets, along with the ability to handle outliers well. After analyzing the dataset, the year 2013 has the most countriesⁱⁱ (23) to analyze life expectancy. To get the best data, all rows with null values are excluded, and the columns "Year" and "Country Code" are removed. The columns "Region" and "Income Group" are also changed into factor variables to ensure the best analysis. The region has six factors: "East Asia & Pacific," "Europe & Central Asia," "Latin America & Caribbean," "Middle East & North Africa," "South Asia," and "And Sub-Saharan Africa." The Income Group has three factors: "Low income," "Lower middle income," and "Upper middle income." Next, the dissimilarity matrix is calculated using the "daisy" function of the R package "cluster." The "Gower" metricⁱⁱⁱ is utilized due to the mixed variable types, which allow each variable to be analyzed appropriately. The dissimilar matrix^{iv} compares each instance (i.e., country) against each other, and when the dissimilarity coefficient is close to 0, the countries are like each other. On the other hand, the closer to 1, the less similar the countries are to each other. The lowest coefficient produced is 0.077, and the

highest is 0.648. With the "cluster" package, agglomerative clustering can then be performed and evaluated.

The second method deployed was time series cross-validation forecasting for life expectancy. Time series cross-validation forecasting was chosen because of its sensitivity to new data and for keeping it in timeline order. To do this forecasting, two countries were selected, Bangladesh and Tanzania, specifically because Bangladesh has missing data inputs (2010^v, 2014^{vi}, 2015^{vii}, 2017^{viii}, and 2018^{ix}) and Tanzania has all inputs from 2006-2019. Visualizations were created to understand better the two countries' most updated life expectancy data^x. Then, all frequencies are set to one for the three-time series objects because the data is collected annually. The model was then split into training and validation sets for each country: 66% training (6 years) and 33% (3 years) validation for Bangladesh, and 78% training (11 years) and 21% validation for Tanzania (3 years). With the object, three-time series models were created for each country: linear, quadric, and cubic. Then, using the forecasting package, each model was evaluated for the accuracy of each model and looked at both the training and test sets using metrics such as MAE, RMSE, MAPE, and MSE. Finally, using the same package, forecasted life expectancy is project based on the best time series model and the visual models, to further understand the evaluation.

Section 3: Results and Interpretation

The first unsupervised method, agglomerative clustering, was performed utilizing the "Ward" method, which produced an agglomerative coefficient of 0.8592044. This indicates that the cluster structure is strong and well-defined, with different clusters. The result of the clustering also provided a summary of the cluster heights, which represent the dissimilarity between objects. The minimum height was 0.06764, meaning there were some similar objects, and the maximum was 0.92846, meaning the last merge was two highly different clusters^{xi}. Based on the banner plot^{xii} and dendrogram plots^{xiii} produced with the clustering, five distinct clusters can be formed. Each cluster is individually analyzed after cutting the tree and combining it with the original data. Cluster 1^{xiv} has the highest average life expectancy (73.23). Notably, this cluster consists of two counties in Europe and Central Asia, both in upper-middle income groups. Additionally, they have CO2 emissions ranging between 550 and 7840 kT and high expenditure for education and health compared to other clusters^{xv}. Comparatively, cluster 2^{xvi} contains seven countries with the second-highest mean life expectancy at 69.87. All these countries are located between "East Asia & Pacific" and "Latin America & Caribbean" and are low-middle income. Additionally, it has extreme CO2 emissions, an average of 18,140 kT. Additionally, this cluster has high undernourishment and unemployment rates, the averages being 10.53% and 8.667%, respectively^{xvii}. Next, Cluster 3^{xviii}, consisting of 8 countries from Sub-Saharan Africa, has the lowest life expectancy at 57.23. In this cluster, there are incredibly high DALYs^{xix} of communicable disease, average is 8,619,877

years and the lowest health and education expenditures compared to the other clusters, the averages being 6.111% and 3.409%^{xx}. Cluster 4^{xxi} has the second lowest average life expectancy at 61.35 when looking at the five countries from Sub-Saharan Africa. While many variables vary significantly, the cluster features exceptionally high rates of unemployment, averaging 11.188%, and the highest corruption level (3.0-4.0) in the dataset^{xxii}. Finally, cluster 5 features a singular outlier country, India, with a life expectancy of 67.93 years. One of the defining features of this cluster is its high DALYs of injuries and communicable and noncommunicable diseases (53,868,775 years, 187,804,149 years, and 242,690,489 years, respectively)^{xxiii}. Along with low health and education expenditure and a sanitation rate of 31.55%, India should have a lower life expectancy, like clusters 3 and 4. However, its moderately high life expectancy makes it an outlier in this dataset. Overall, clusters 1 and 2 have better economic status, health statistics, and government infrastructure than clusters 3 and 4, which lead to a higher life expectancy.

The second method utilized was time series cross-validation forecasting, specifically for the countries Bangladesh and Tanzania. First, the three models (linear, quadric, and cubic) for each country must be evaluated to determine which is best used to forecast. Thus, there must be accuracy evaluations on all models. Both countries' training models and accuracy functions demonstrate that there is minimal bias for all six models. For Bangladesh, the linear model has a RMSE of 3.6045 and an MAE of 3.1681, which does not format the model well^{xxiv}. Then, a quadric model improved the model slightly with better fit and accuracy, demonstrated by the RMSE of 3.4770 and MAE of 3.0697^{xxv}. Finally, the cubic model has the best fit with RMSE of 3.2601 and MAE of 2.4710 on the validation set^{xxvi}. Similarly, the accuracy statistics further prove the cubic model is the best fit with Theil's U statistic (1.950905)^{xxvii} compared to 2.089464 and 2.166977. For Tanzania, the same process was performed. Based on the three models, the cubic model performed the best with a RMSE of 0.1842 and MAE of 0.1663^{xxviii}, compared to RMSE = 0.5203 and MAE = 0.4554 for linear^{xxix}, and RMSE = 0.7556, MAE = 0.6855 for quadric^{xxx}. However, unlike Bangladesh, the quadric model has the worst accuracy with a Theil's U statistic of 1.5235, compared to the cubic model, which has a Theil U's statistic of 0.3728681.

In the 2029, the 10-year prediction, Bangladesh's life expectancy will reach 87.72289^{xxxi} and Tanzania will reach 66.34186^{xxxii}. Immediately, Bangladesh seems to have a better model because it has a higher life expectancy, but this would be incorrect because the result is volatile. With all accuracy metrics, Tanzania performs better. Additionally, analyzing the confidence interval, it becomes clear that Bangladesh's forecast shows an extremely weak performance. In 2029, the 95% confidence intervals range between 30.12055 to 145.32524 years, a 115.20469 difference. Comparatively, the Tanzania model has a 95% confidence interval range of 65.05265 to 67.63107. This is shown through projection graphs^{xxxiii} where the confidence graph in blue is much wider, as well.

Section 4: Alternative Approaches

Divisive analysis hierarchal cluster was not utilized because it is sensitive to outliers, does not handle mixed data, and is worse for smaller datasets compared to agglomerative clustering where there were clear outliers, combined categorical and numerical data, and a small dataset of 23 countries. At the beginning of the analysis, the number of clusters was unknown; thus, agglomerative clustering was superior to K-Means clustering, where you must specify the number of clusters at the beginning. Additionally, Holt-Winters forecasting was not used because there is no seasonality in life expectancy data and limited the use of historical data, unlike time cross-validation forecasting. Similarly, smoothing forecasting techniques often look at the most recent data, putting less emphasis on historical data, which makes time series cross-validation superior. Finally, the linear trend with seasonality would not work for this dataset because it is not linear, nor is there seasonality, which both are incorporated in the utilized forecasting method.

Section 5: Conclusions

Organizations such as UNICEF or the World Health Organization look at life expectancy and its trajectory as a great indicator of how a country is developing, along with variables that impact life expectancy, such as CO2 emissions. Utilizing cluster analysis, these organizations can group countries based on specific variables, which can help identify the needs of these countries, such as creating legislation for a cleaner environment or allocating vaccinations to lower the communicable diseases rate. As demonstrated through clusters 3 and 4, implement policies that increase spending on healthcare and education. With all this information, organizations such as the World Health Organization must be consistent with gathering each year, as demonstrated by Bangladesh and Tanzania's life expectancy forecasts, to make a lasting impact. For all accuracy measurements, having consistent data leads to a better forecast for countries' life expectancy. This model can also be used for any variable that contributes to life expectancy. Having accurate and updated models will allow these organizations to make better decisions on where to send doctors, respond to crises, and track the progress of their programs in each country. The impact of these models will implore world organizations to keep consistent annual life expectancy data for all countries. This business can create tailored programs, policies, and health initiatives with accurate analysis and predictions from cluster analysis and forecasting.

Appendix

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[1] "Country.Name"           "Region"
[3] "IncomeGroup"            "Life.Expectancy.World.Bank"
[5] "Prevalance.of.Undernourishment" "CO2"
[7] "Health.Expenditure.."    "Education.Expenditure.."
[9] "Unemployment"           "Corruption"
[11] "Sanitation"              "Injuries"
i [13] "Communicable"           "NonCommunicable"
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ii Please see Appendix B—CSV file called “20143Data”.

iii The "Manhattan" and "Euclidean" distances were also analyzed, but the "Gower" metric was ultimately chosen because it can handle mixed variables compares to the distance matrix can only handle numerical data, which would exclude the country name and region.

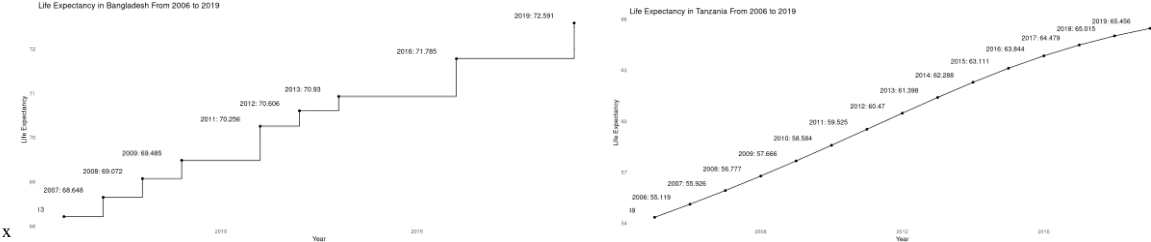
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> d=daisy(data[,2:14], metric="gower")
> d
Dissimilarities :
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2 0.39742711
3 0.36940861 0.26357756
4 0.48590024 0.34403041 0.42259733
5 0.44932866 0.30130081 0.31613469 0.18457698
6 0.07701697 0.34759586 0.32470473 0.43645658 0.39322645
7 0.39574920 0.28122767 0.24858854 0.28547751 0.18295592 0.34505239
8 0.30574558 0.25409663 0.10275889 0.42014671 0.33391873 0.29270496 0.27498252
9 0.64817071 0.37150866 0.48062834 0.65418667 0.53731888 0.59206849 0.48206245 0.51163439
10 0.39351345 0.41150407 0.26826975 0.35109888 0.36095406 0.34566792 0.26304644 0.29158943
11 0.49307171 0.30142813 0.40923752 0.13061004 0.13404361 0.44342299 0.28244840 0.42712516
12 0.38794637 0.31309005 0.36575379 0.14188183 0.10814494 0.34949030 0.17032327 0.35319794
13 0.35741532 0.18405543 0.28244323 0.37880297 0.33105574 0.36964057 0.28155841 0.27944797
14 0.32874067 0.22197946 0.14908983 0.39633207 0.28698891 0.29222500 0.19612777 0.17671112
15 0.39282607 0.34562258 0.20427744 0.19069887 0.16570566 0.37897484 0.24968068 0.28774539
16 0.33378583 0.09839329 0.28427744 0.34361313 0.26938898 0.28239393 0.20240829 0.21172617
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19 0.30682637 0.28255924 0.18948466 0.34394765 0.25879320 0.25236646 0.15242033 0.17610070
20 0.50187181 0.33373803 0.41272133 0.09581629 0.13564495 0.44690680 0.27019366 0.43067081
21 0.45764010 0.31090379 0.32786840 0.11990849 0.06763787 0.40186801 0.19548444 0.34590821
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23 0.27870822 0.28880400 0.20723762 0.45378679 0.36862610 0.26647021 0.19759626 0.18882772
      9      10      11      12      13      14      15      16
2 0.61282633
3 0.63600034 0.45140244
4 0.56723318 0.34505726 0.17480974
5 0.52401387 0.43815937 0.31757542 0.31360420
6 0.43314958 0.31432849 0.37993824 0.30369393 0.14713746
7 0.62338043 0.28800385 0.22434530 0.16064721 0.37956354 0.33793452
8 0.37139212 0.35933568 0.32475913 0.24724699 0.18418364 0.16423158 0.33608071
9 0.45043835 0.20733582 0.28224415 0.19480967 0.27806978 0.15104221 0.21877728 0.19254148
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11 0.48802279 0.15257831 0.35133831 0.26766865 0.33146516 0.18470056 0.21874167 0.22487711
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3 0.07323262 0.30396890
4 0.28572796 0.12982813 0.35476440
5 0.21095465 0.15264679 0.26879782 0.08929040
6 0.11573733 0.20947760 0.17967822 0.18807383 0.15551525
7 0.20627355 0.43945017 0.20132271 0.46459730 0.37863071 0.28951112

Metric : mixed ; Types = N, N, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I, I
Number of objects : 23
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v In [2010](#), in Bangladesh, there were several acts of impunity by security forces who engaged in killings, acts of torture, and illegal detentions. Additionally, according to the Human Rights Report, “military and police regularly employ torture and cruel, inhuman, or degrading punishment against detainees, despite constitutional guarantees against torture and Bangladesh's ratification of the United Nations Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. The government failed to investigate the causes of numerous deaths in custody, and there was little action to hold accountable those responsible for the deaths of alleged mutineers from the Bangladesh Rifles border force." Moreover, there were several cases of border killings.

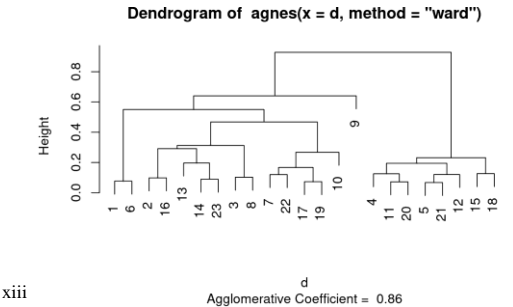
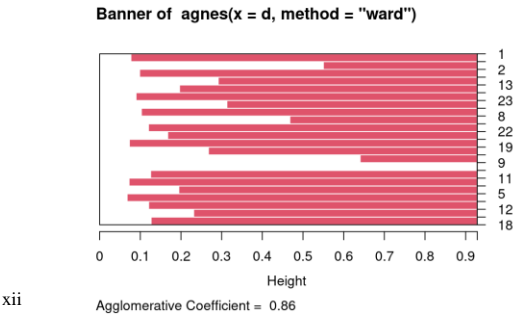
vi In [2014](#), the general election resulted in violence, including killing people, arresting opposition parties, destruction of personal property, and burning of polling places.

- vii There was a [Bangladeshi political crisis](#) in 2015, which resulted in the death of 75 people. The Prime Minister, who belonged to the Awami League political party, declared the Bangladesh National Party, the most significant political party, terrorists.
- viii In [2017](#), monsoon rain and river flooding affected over a third of the country. This had lasting impacts on livestock, crops, and water sources, and 40,000 people were displaced from their homes.
- ix Once again, an unfair general election was held where many political leaders were detained or killed. There were also attacks on peaceful protesters, students, and media in [2018](#).

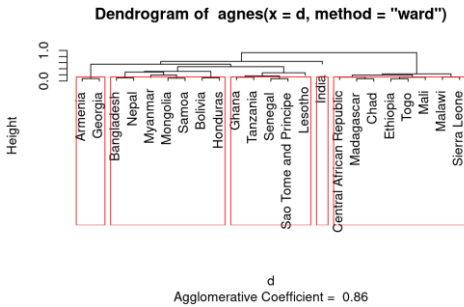


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> aResult <- agnes(d, method = "ward")
> aResult
Call: agnes(x = d, method = "ward")
Agglomerative coefficient: 0.8592044
Order of objects:
[1] 1 6 2 16 13 14 23 3 8 7 22 17 19 10 9 4 11 20 5 21 12 15 18
Height (summary):
  Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
0.06764 0.09948 0.14702 0.24196 0.28564 0.92846

Available components:
xi [1] "order" "height" "ac" "merge" "diss" "call" "method"
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xiv Armenia and Georgia



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> summary(subset(myData, aClusters == 1))
Country.Name      Region      IncomeGroup
Length:2          East Asia & Pacific :0 Low income :0
Class :character  Europe & Central Asia :2 Lower middle income:0
Mode :character   Latin America & Caribbean:0 Upper middle income:2
                  Middle East & North Africa:0
                  South Asia :0
                  Sub-Saharan Africa :0

Life.Expectancy.World.Bank Prevalance.of.Undernourishment C02 Health.Expenditure..
Min. :72.41 Min. :3.200 Min. :5500 Min. : 7.883
1st Qu.:72.82 1st Qu.:4.375 1st Qu.:6085 1st Qu.: 8.493
Median :73.23 Median :5.550 Median :6670 Median : 9.103
Mean :73.23 Mean :5.550 Mean :6670 Mean : 9.103
3rd Qu.:73.64 3rd Qu.:6.725 3rd Qu.:7255 3rd Qu.: 9.713
Max. :74.06 Max. :7.900 Max. :7840 Max. :10.323

Education.Expenditure.. Unemployment Corruption Sanitation Injuries
Min. :2.650 Min. :16.18 Min. :3.5 Min. :38.69 Min. : 82888
1st Qu.:2.709 1st Qu.:16.99 1st Qu.:3.5 1st Qu.:43.63 1st Qu.: 98712
Median :2.768 Median :17.80 Median :3.5 Median :48.58 Median :114535
Mean :2.768 Mean :17.80 Mean :3.5 Mean :48.58 Mean :114535
3rd Qu.:2.828 3rd Qu.:18.61 3rd Qu.:3.5 3rd Qu.:53.52 3rd Qu.:130358
Max. :2.887 Max. :19.42 Max. :3.5 Max. :58.46 Max. :146182

Communicable NonCommunicable aClusters
Min. : 79985 Min. : 769112 Min. :1
1st Qu.: 89386 1st Qu.: 891590 1st Qu.:1
Median : 98786 Median :1014069 Median :1
Mean : 98786 Mean :1014069 Mean :1
3rd Qu.:108187 3rd Qu.:1136548 3rd Qu.:1
Max. :117588 Max. :1259027 Max. :1

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xvi Bangladesh, Bolivia, Honduras, Myanmar, Mongolia, Nepal, and Samoa

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> summary(subset(myData, aClusters == 2))
Country.Name      Region      IncomeGroup
Length:7          East Asia & Pacific :3 Low income :0
Class :character  Europe & Central Asia :0 Lower middle income:7
Mode :character   Latin America & Caribbean:2 Upper middle income:0
                  Middle East & North Africa:0
                  South Asia :2
                  Sub-Saharan Africa :0

Life.Expectancy.World.Bank Prevalance.of.Undernourishment C02 Health.Expenditure..
Min. :64.92 Min. : 3.70 Min. : 200 Min. :2.654
1st Qu.:68.69 1st Qu.: 6.45 1st Qu.: 7730 1st Qu.:3.633
Median :69.47 Median :11.40 Median :13600 Median :4.630
Mean :69.87 Mean :10.53 Mean :18140 Mean :5.008
3rd Qu.:71.64 3rd Qu.:14.60 3rd Qu.:18560 3rd Qu.:6.012
Max. :74.05 Max. :16.50 Max. :60600 Max. :8.477

Education.Expenditure.. Unemployment Corruption Sanitation Injuries
Min. :1.966 Min. :0.747 Min. :2.500 Min. :31.58 Min. : 6312
1st Qu.:2.559 1st Qu.:2.495 1st Qu.:2.750 1st Qu.:37.78 1st Qu.: 282319
Median :4.670 Median :4.230 Median :3.000 Median :45.67 Median : 613162
Mean :4.307 Mean :4.102 Mean :3.143 Mean :44.11 Mean :1068403
3rd Qu.:5.408 3rd Qu.:5.040 3rd Qu.:3.500 3rd Qu.:47.49 3rd Qu.:1396037
Max. :7.580 Max. :8.667 Max. :4.000 Max. :60.98 Max. :3502633

Communicable NonCommunicable aClusters
Min. : 8715 Min. : 40239 Min. :2
1st Qu.: 343537 1st Qu.: 1106245 1st Qu.:2
Median : 1188492 Median : 2000514 Median :2
Mean : 4025533 Mean : 6560924 Mean :2
3rd Qu.: 5389977 3rd Qu.: 8497462 3rd Qu.:2
Max. :15514496 Max. :24678301 Max. :2

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xviii Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Madagascar, Mali, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Chad, Togo

xix Injuries, Communicable and Non-Communicable diseases are all counted in DALYs, which represents the loss of one year of full health.


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> summary(subset(myData, aClusters == 3))
Country.Name      Region      IncomeGroup
Length:8          East Asia & Pacific :0 Low income :8
Class :character  Europe & Central Asia :0 Lower middle income:0
Mode :character   Latin America & Caribbean :0 Upper middle income:0
                  Middle East & North Africa:0
                  South Asia :0
                  Sub-Saharan Africa :8
Life.Expectancy.World.Bank Prevalance.of.Undernourishment CO2 Health.Expenditure..
Min. :49.37 Min. : 3.70 Min. : 120 Min. : 3.739
1st Qu.:52.22 1st Qu.:16.98 1st Qu.: 1025 1st Qu.: 4.042
Median :57.87 Median :22.40 Median : 1970 Median : 4.509
Mean :57.23 Mean :22.48 Mean : 2789 Mean : 6.111
3rd Qu.:60.94 3rd Qu.:27.45 3rd Qu.: 3002 3rd Qu.: 6.606
Max. :64.71 Max. :40.20 Max. :10080 Max. :11.579
Education.Expenditure.. Unemployment Corruption Sanitation Injuries
Min. :1.777 Min. :0.995 Min. :2.000 Min. : 5.225 Min. : 229444
1st Qu.:2.574 1st Qu.:1.824 1st Qu.:2.375 1st Qu.: 8.038 1st Qu.: 373966
Median :3.068 Median :3.380 Median :2.500 Median :10.661 Median : 546676
Mean :3.409 Mean :3.586 Mean :2.562 Mean :12.004 Mean : 767644
3rd Qu.:4.442 3rd Qu.:5.625 3rd Qu.:3.000 3rd Qu.:15.246 3rd Qu.: 687662
Max. :5.416 Max. :6.350 Max. :3.000 Max. :22.444 Max. :2729927
Communicable NonCommunicable aClusters
Min. : 2568922 Min. : 935570 Min. :3
1st Qu.: 3541632 1st Qu.: 1196396 1st Qu.:3
Median : 6271542 Median : 2158513 Median :3
Mean : 8619877 Mean : 3174509 Mean :3
3rd Qu.: 8910272 3rd Qu.: 2977939 3rd Qu.:3
Max. :27856068 Max. :11553683 Max. :3

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xxi Ghana, Tanzania, Senegal, Sao Tome and Principe, Lesotho

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> summary(subset(myData, aClusters == 4))
Country.Name      Region      IncomeGroup
Length:5          East Asia & Pacific :0 Low income :0
Class :character  Europe & Central Asia :0 Lower middle income:5
Mode :character   Latin America & Caribbean :0 Upper middle income:0
                  Middle East & North Africa:0
                  South Asia :0
                  Sub-Saharan Africa :5
Life.Expectancy.World.Bank Prevalance.of.Undernourishment CO2 Health.Expenditure..
Min. :48.66 Min. : 6.6 Min. : 120 Min. :4.386
1st Qu.:61.40 1st Qu.:12.0 1st Qu.: 610 1st Qu.:4.623
Median :62.06 Median :12.9 Median : 8010 Median :4.646
Mean :61.35 Mean :14.7 Mean : 7036 Mean :6.228
3rd Qu.:65.94 3rd Qu.:19.3 3rd Qu.:10810 3rd Qu.:7.937
Max. :68.69 Max. :22.7 Max. :15630 Max. :9.547
Education.Expenditure.. Unemployment Corruption Sanitation Injuries
Min. :3.358 Min. : 2.930 Min. :3.0 Min. :10.06 Min. : 3762
1st Qu.:4.576 1st Qu.: 6.203 1st Qu.:3.5 1st Qu.:19.63 1st Qu.: 168864
Median :5.687 Median : 8.578 Median :3.5 Median :20.02 Median : 305516
Mean :5.371 Mean :11.188 Mean :3.5 Mean :22.21 Mean : 536514
3rd Qu.:5.940 3rd Qu.:13.649 3rd Qu.:3.5 3rd Qu.:26.82 3rd Qu.: 785815
Max. :7.292 Max. :24.580 Max. :4.0 Max. :34.52 Max. :1418615
Communicable NonCommunicable aClusters
Min. : 23237 Min. : 28865 Min. :4
1st Qu.: 1252935 1st Qu.: 439624 1st Qu.:4
Median : 3473915 Median :1943532 Median :4
Mean : 5675585 Mean :2878823 Mean :4
3rd Qu.: 7640207 3rd Qu.:4330459 3rd Qu.:4
Max. :15987630 Max. :7651635 Max. :4

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> summary(subset(myData, aClusters == 5))
Country.Name      Region      IncomeGroup
Length:1          East Asia & Pacific :0 Low income :0
Class :character  Europe & Central Asia :0 Lower middle income:1
Mode :character   Latin America & Caribbean :0 Upper middle income:0
                  Middle East & North Africa:0
                  South Asia :1
                  Sub-Saharan Africa :0
Life.Expectancy.World.Bank Prevalance.of.Undernourishment CO2
Min. :67.93 Min. :14.9 Min. :1972430
1st Qu.:67.93 1st Qu.:14.9 1st Qu.:1972430
Median :67.93 Median :14.9 Median :1972430
Mean :67.93 Mean :14.9 Mean :1972430
3rd Qu.:67.93 3rd Qu.:14.9 3rd Qu.:1972430
Max. :67.93 Max. :14.9 Max. :1972430
Health.Expenditure.. Education.Expenditure.. Unemployment Corruption Sanitation
Min. :3.749 Min. :3.845 Min. :5.424 Min. :3.5 Min. :31.55
1st Qu.:3.749 1st Qu.:3.845 1st Qu.:5.424 1st Qu.:3.5 1st Qu.:31.55
Median :3.749 Median :3.845 Median :5.424 Median :3.5 Median :31.55
Mean :3.749 Mean :3.845 Mean :5.424 Mean :3.5 Mean :31.55
3rd Qu.:3.749 3rd Qu.:3.845 3rd Qu.:5.424 3rd Qu.:3.5 3rd Qu.:31.55
Max. :3.749 Max. :3.845 Max. :5.424 Max. :3.5 Max. :31.55
Injuries Communicable NonCommunicable aClusters
Min. :53868775 Min. :187804149 Min. :242690489 Min. :5
1st Qu.:53868775 1st Qu.:187804149 1st Qu.:242690489 1st Qu.:5
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3rd Qu.:53868775 3rd Qu.:187804149 3rd Qu.:242690489 3rd Qu.:5
Max. :53868775 Max. :187804149 Max. :242690489 Max. :5

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> accuracy(fReg1Az,VAz)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE      ACF1
Training set  0.000000  0.09434281  0.07734694 -0.0001831126  0.1105405  0.1708066 -0.1470734
Test set     -2.907036  3.60451322  3.16814796 -4.2140930419  4.5750805  6.9962782  0.4442370
Theil's U
Training set   NA
xxiv Test set  2.166977
```

```
> accuracy(fReg2Az,VAz)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE      ACF1
Training set  2.030122e-15  0.09394828  0.07876871 -0.0001798587  0.1127125  0.1739464 -0.1338137
Test set     -2.785119e+00  3.47700421  3.06969048 -4.0390613120  4.4324976  6.7788527  0.4350113
Theil's U
Training set   NA
xxv Test set  2.089464
```

```
> accuracy(fReg3Az,VAz)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE      ACF1
Training set  0.000000  0.0672732  0.0497483 -0.0000924342  0.07156135  0.1098601 -0.5181024
Test set     1.677381  3.2606348  2.4709592  2.3694638614  3.53103275  5.4566636  0.3602392
Theil's U
Training set   NA
xxvi Test set  1.950905
```

xxvii Quartic and 5th, and 6th power model were all tested, but results in the same Theil's U statistics.

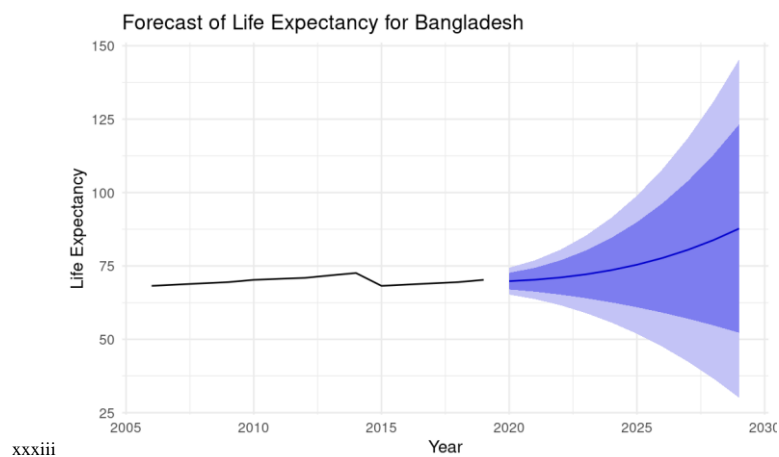
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> accuracy(fReg3Ta,VTa)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE      ACF1
Training set  0.0000000  0.01080354  0.01004323 -2.114171e-06  0.01717304  0.01146226  0.173841887
Test set     -0.1662514  0.18420497  0.16625136 -2.570743e-01  0.25707428  0.18974134 -0.001652311
Theil's U
Training set   NA
xxviii Test set  0.3728681
```

```
> accuracy(fReg1Ta,VTa)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE
Training set -6.459479e-16  0.07446632  0.06279339  1.415639e-05  0.1091482  0.07166559
Test set     -0.554455e-01  0.52029182  0.45544545 -7.038776e-01  0.7038776  0.51979623
ACF1 Theil's U
Training set  0.510391251  NA
xxix Test set -0.005737043  1.062334
```

```
> accuracy(fReg2Ta,VTa)
      ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE      ACF1
Training set  0.0000000  0.05404331  0.0474787 -8.193105e-05  0.08044883  0.05418706  0.359291529
Test set     -0.6855399  0.75563484  0.6855399 -1.060170e+00  1.06016977  0.78240112 -0.004484912
Theil's U
Training set   NA
xxx Test set  1.523524
```

```
> RegFinAz <- tslm(newAz ~ poly(trend, degree = 3))
> forecast(RegFinAz, h=10)
      Point Forecast      Lo 80      Hi 80      Lo 95      Hi 95
2020      69.81705  67.00004  72.63407  65.24281  74.39130
2021      70.29861  66.24889  74.34832  63.72272  76.87450
2022      71.05543  65.24516  76.86570  61.62076  80.49009
2023      72.13111  64.01804  80.24418  58.95719  85.30504
2024      73.56926  62.58138  84.55714  55.72725  91.41127
2025      75.41347  60.93903  89.88791  51.91001  98.91693
2026      77.70734  59.08954  96.32514  47.47593  107.93875
2027      80.49447  57.02866  103.96027  42.39091  118.59802
2028      83.81845  54.75065  112.88625  36.61843  131.01847
xxxi 2029      87.72289  52.24890  123.19689  30.12055  145.32524
```

```
> RegFinTa <- tslm(TTa ~ poly(trend, degree = 3))
> forecast(RegFinTa, h=10)
      Point Forecast      Lo 80      Hi 80      Lo 95      Hi 95
2017      63.91602  63.87704  63.95499  63.85088  63.98115
2018      64.63967  64.57603  64.70331  64.53331  64.74602
2019      65.28107  65.18116  65.38098  65.11410  65.44804
2020      65.82683  65.67830  65.97535  65.57861  66.07504
2021      66.26352  66.05289  66.47414  65.91152  66.61552
2022      66.57775  66.29021  66.86528  66.09722  67.05827
2023      66.75610  66.37546  67.13674  66.11998  67.39222
2024      66.78517  66.29382  67.27653  65.96402  67.60633
2025      66.65156  66.03042  67.27270  65.61352  67.68961
xxxii 2026      66.34186  65.57043  67.11328  65.05265  67.63107
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