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Dynamic regression

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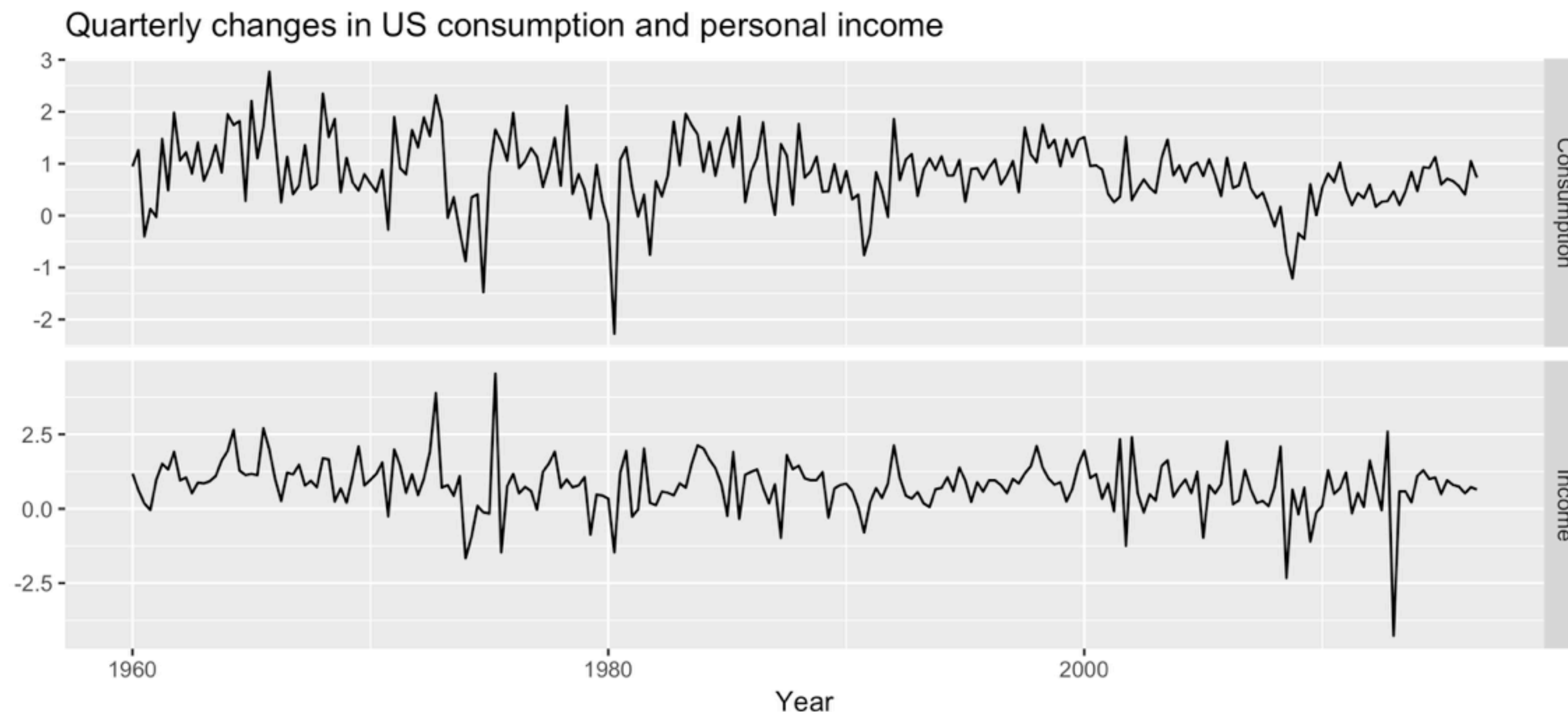
Regression model with ARIMA errors

$$y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1,t} + \cdots + \beta_r x_{r,t} + e_t$$

- y_t modeled as function of r explanatory variables $x_{1,t}, \dots, x_{r,t}$
- In dynamic regression, we allow e_t to be an ARIMA process
- In ordinary regression, we assume that e_t is white noise

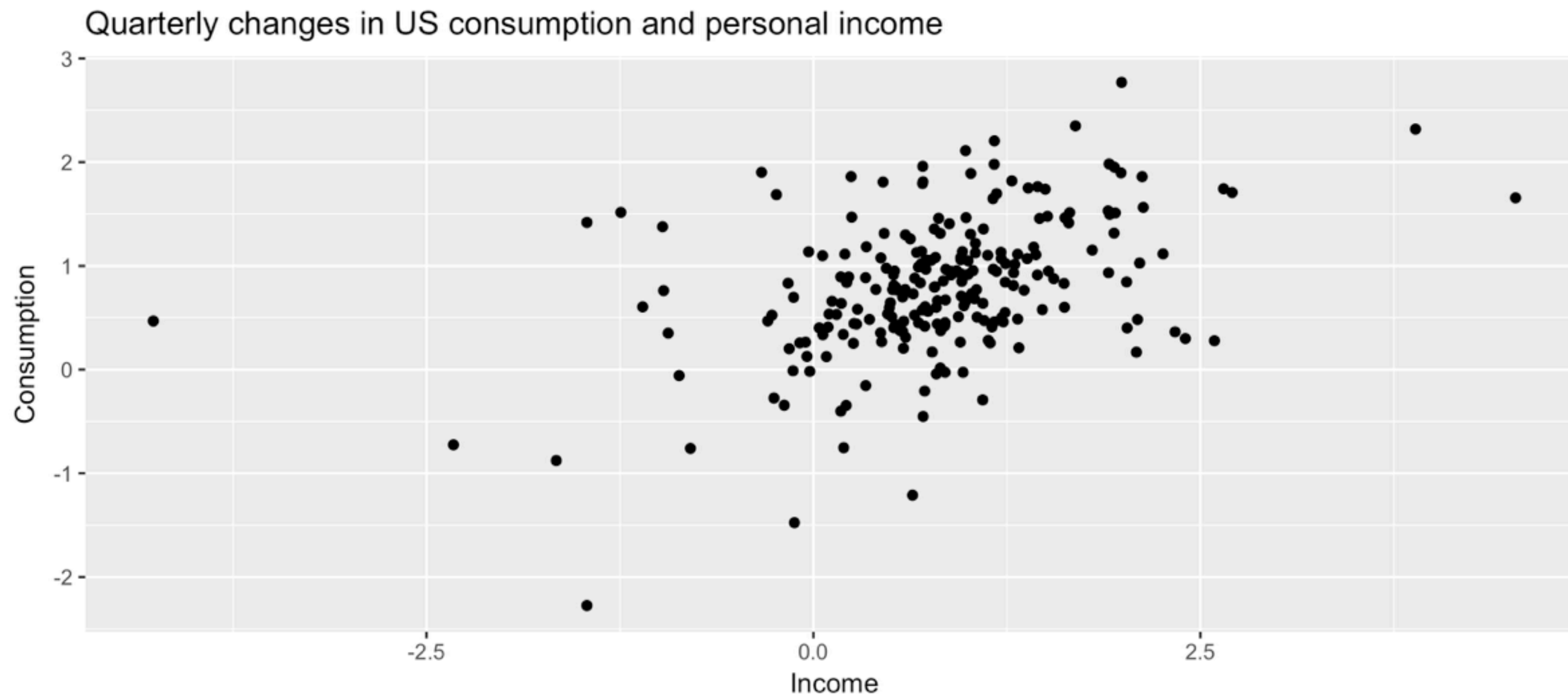
US personal consumption and income

```
> autoplot(uschange[,1:2], facets = TRUE) +  
  xlab("Year") + ylab("") +  
  ggtitle("Quarterly changes in US consumption  
    and personal income")
```



US personal consumption and income

```
> ggplot(aes(x = Income, y = Consumption),  
         data = as.data.frame(uschange)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  ggtitle("Quarterly changes in US consumption and  
          personal income")
```



Dynamic regression model for US personal consumption

```
> fit <- auto.arima(uschange[, "Consumption"],  
                    xreg = uschange[, "Income"])  
> fit
```

Series: uschange[, "Consumption"]
Regression with ARIMA(1,0,2) errors

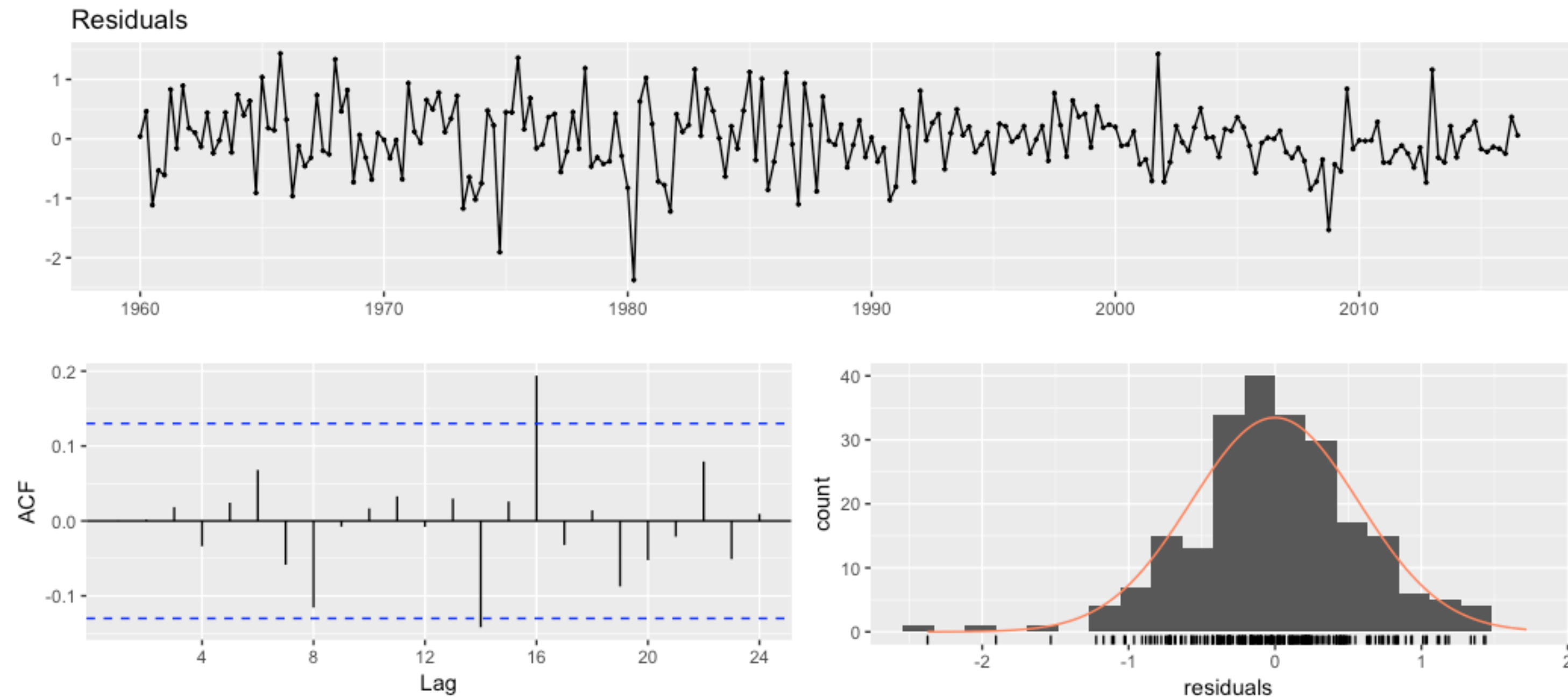
Coefficients:

	ar1	ma1	ma2	intercept	origxreg
	0.6191	-0.5424	0.2367	0.6099	0.2492
s.e.	0.1422	0.1475	0.0685	0.0777	0.0459

sigma^2 estimated as 0.334: log likelihood=-195.22
AIC=402.44 AICc=402.82 BIC=422.99

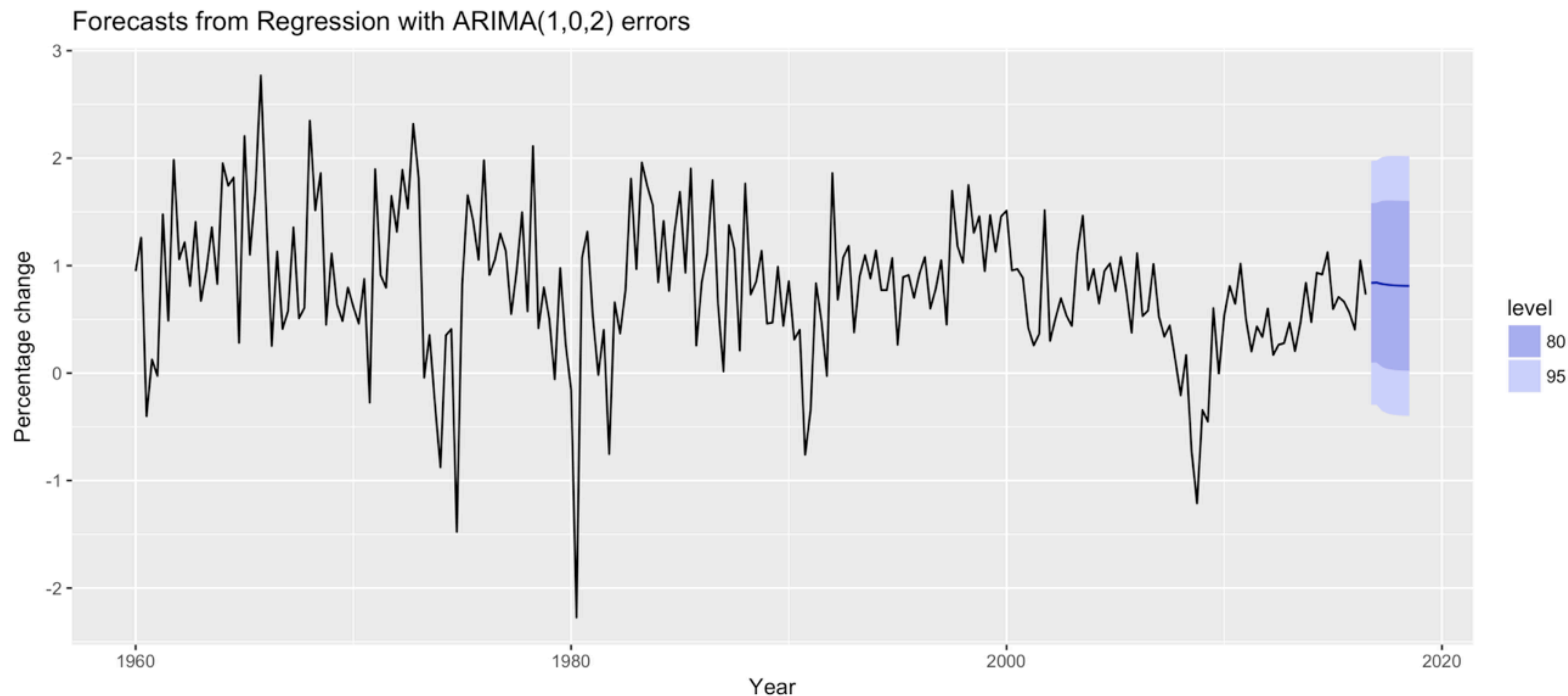
Residuals from dynamic regression model

```
> checkresiduals(fit)
Ljung-Box test
data: residuals
Q* = 5.5543, df = 3, p-value = 0.1354
Model df: 5. Total lags used: 8
```



Forecasts from dynamic regression model

```
> fcast <- forecast(fit, xreg = rep(0.8, 8))  
> autoplot(fcast) +  
  xlab("Year") + ylab("Percentage change")
```





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Dynamic harmonic regression

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Periodic seasonality can be handled using pairs of Fourier terms:

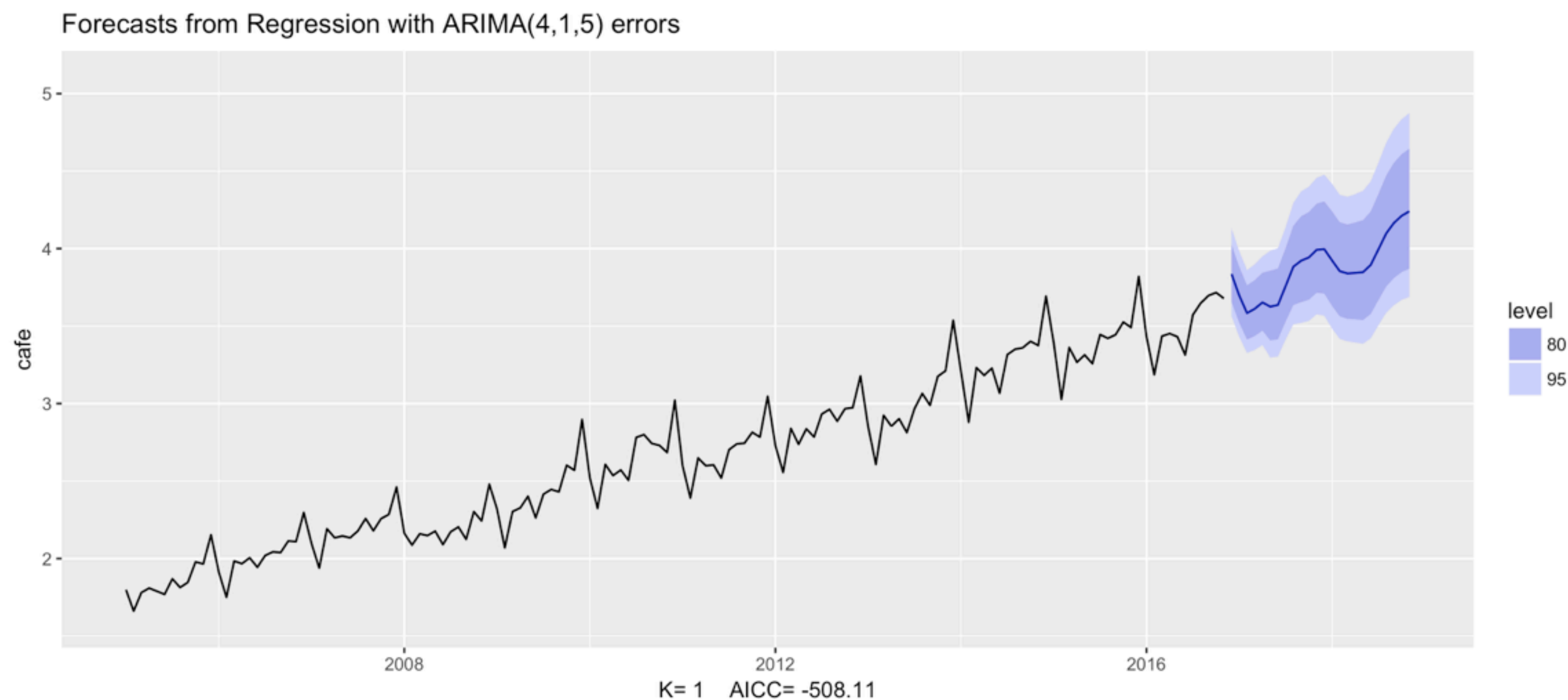
$$s_k(t) = \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{m}\right) \quad c_k(t) = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{m}\right)$$

$$y_t = \beta_0 + \sum_{k=1}^K [\alpha_k s_k(t) + \gamma_k c_k(t)] + e_t$$

- m = seasonal period
- Every periodic function can be approximated by sums of sin and cos terms for large enough K
- Regression coefficients: α_k and γ_k
- e_t can be modeled as a non-seasonal ARIMA process
- Assumes seasonal pattern is unchanging

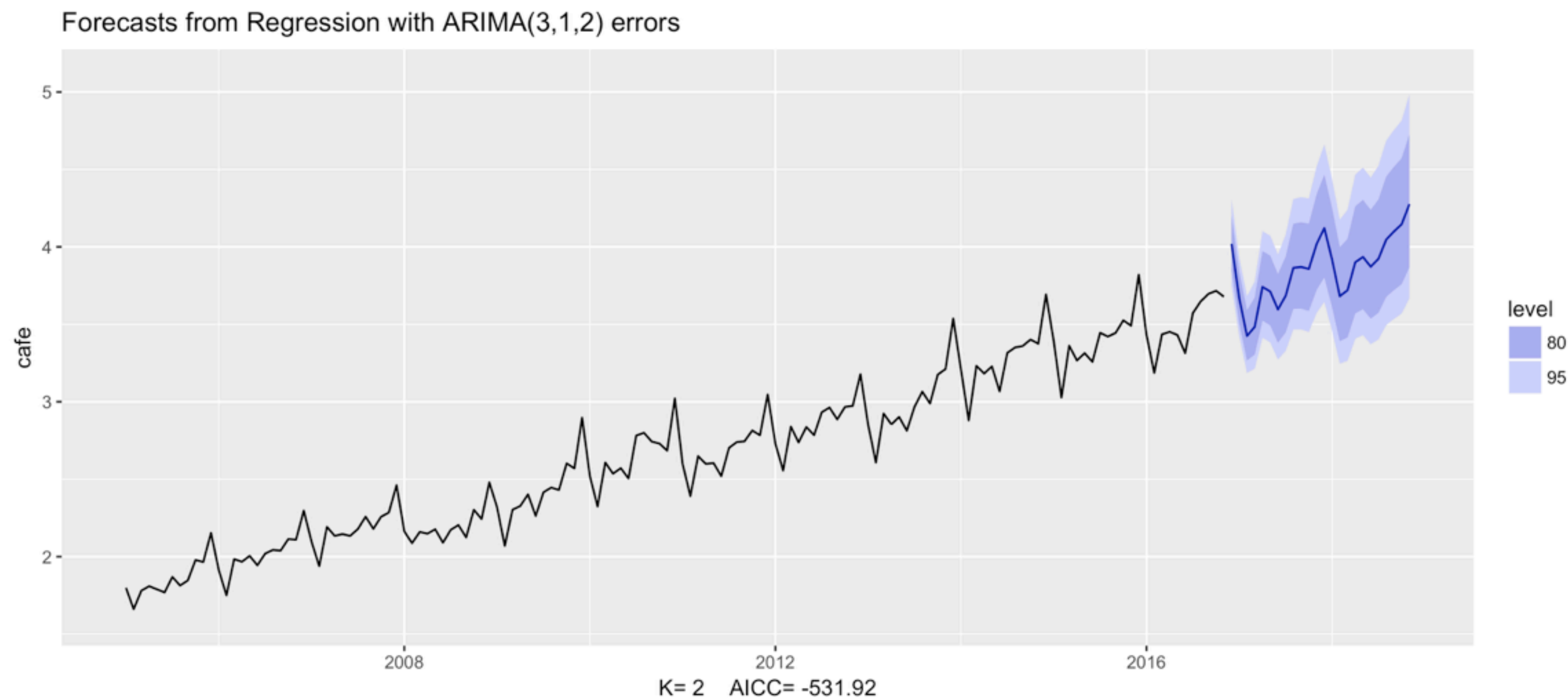
Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 1),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 1, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
```



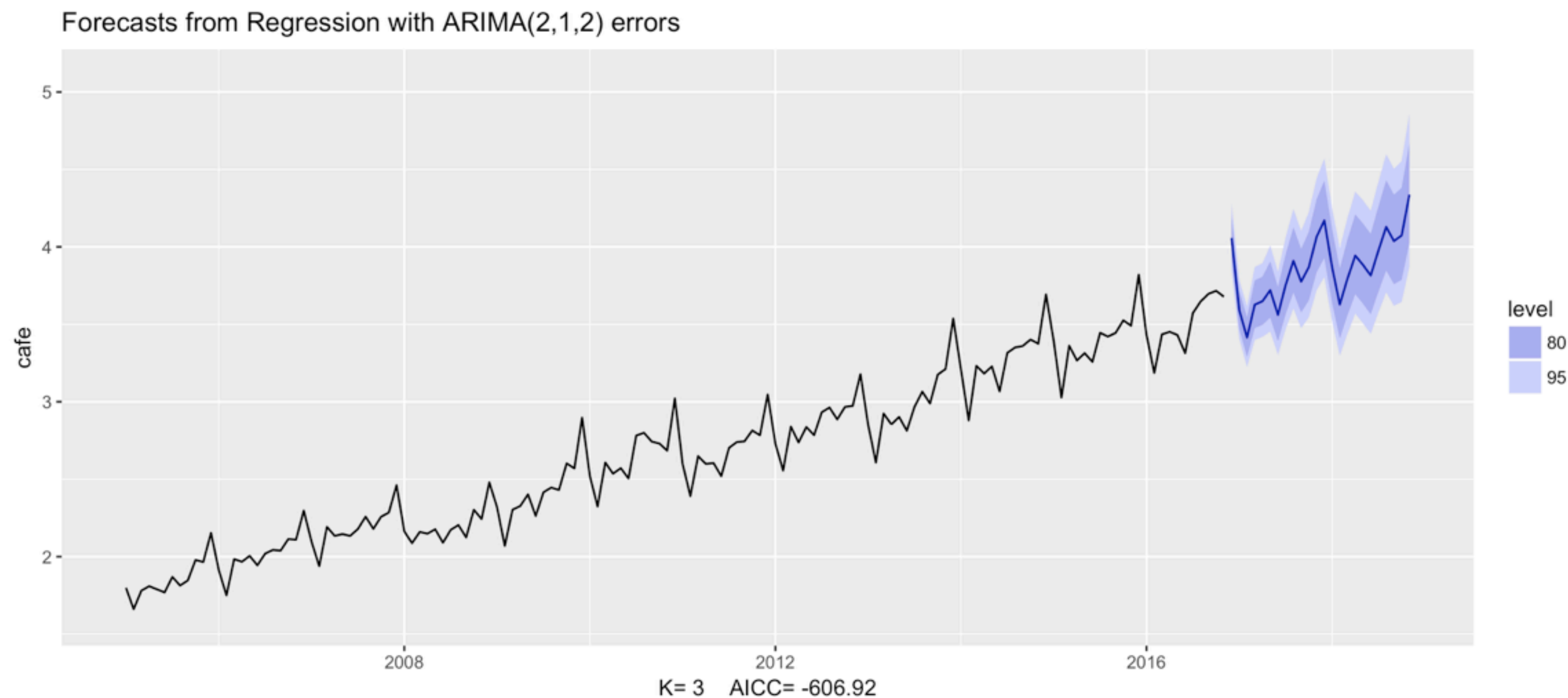
Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 2),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 2, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
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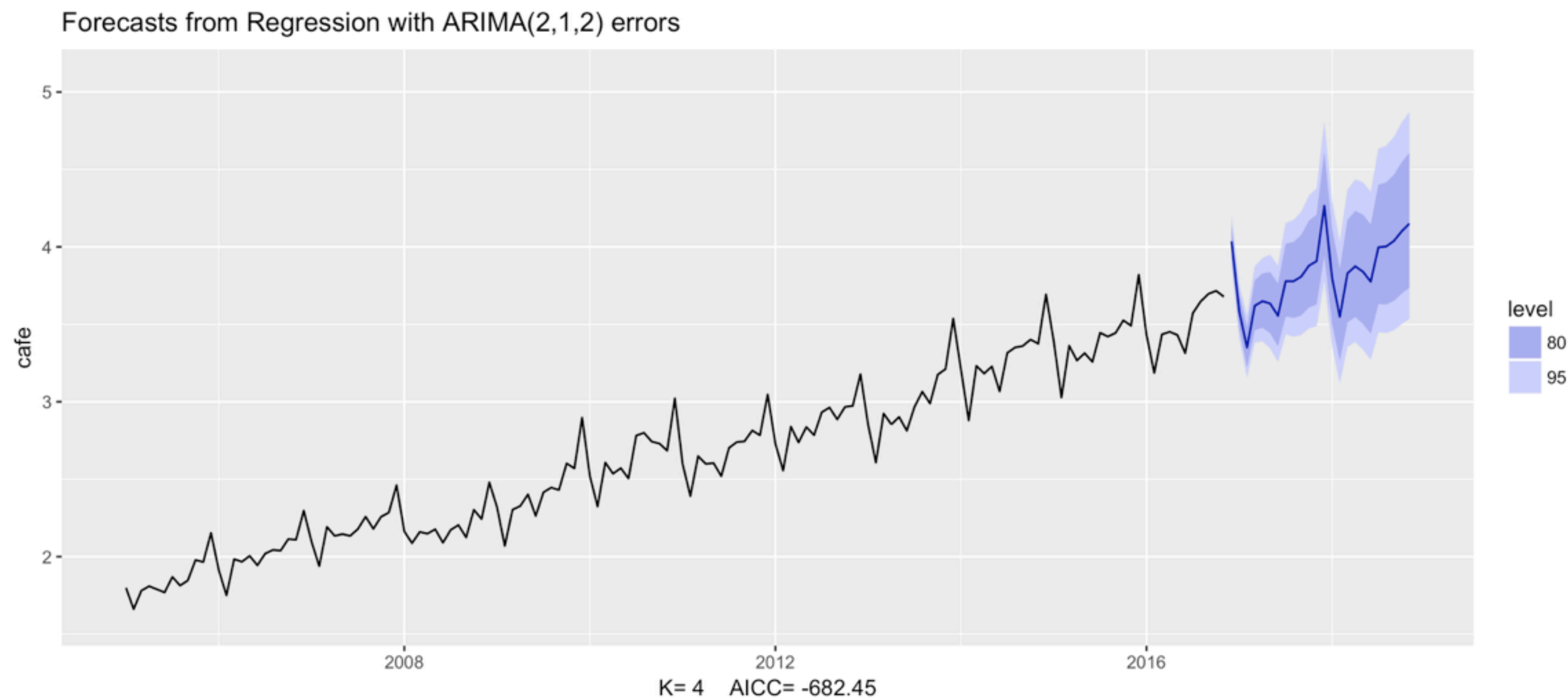
Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 3),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 3, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
```



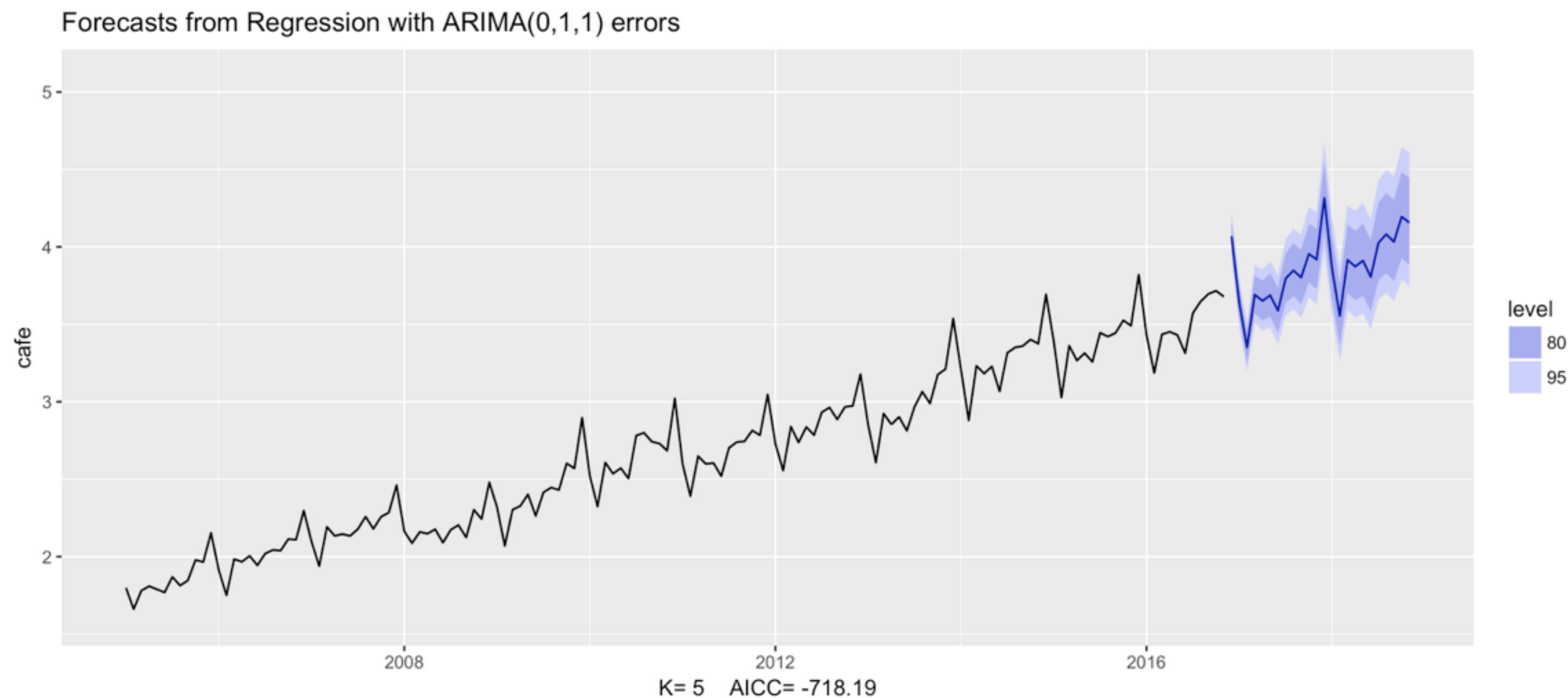
Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 4),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 4, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
```



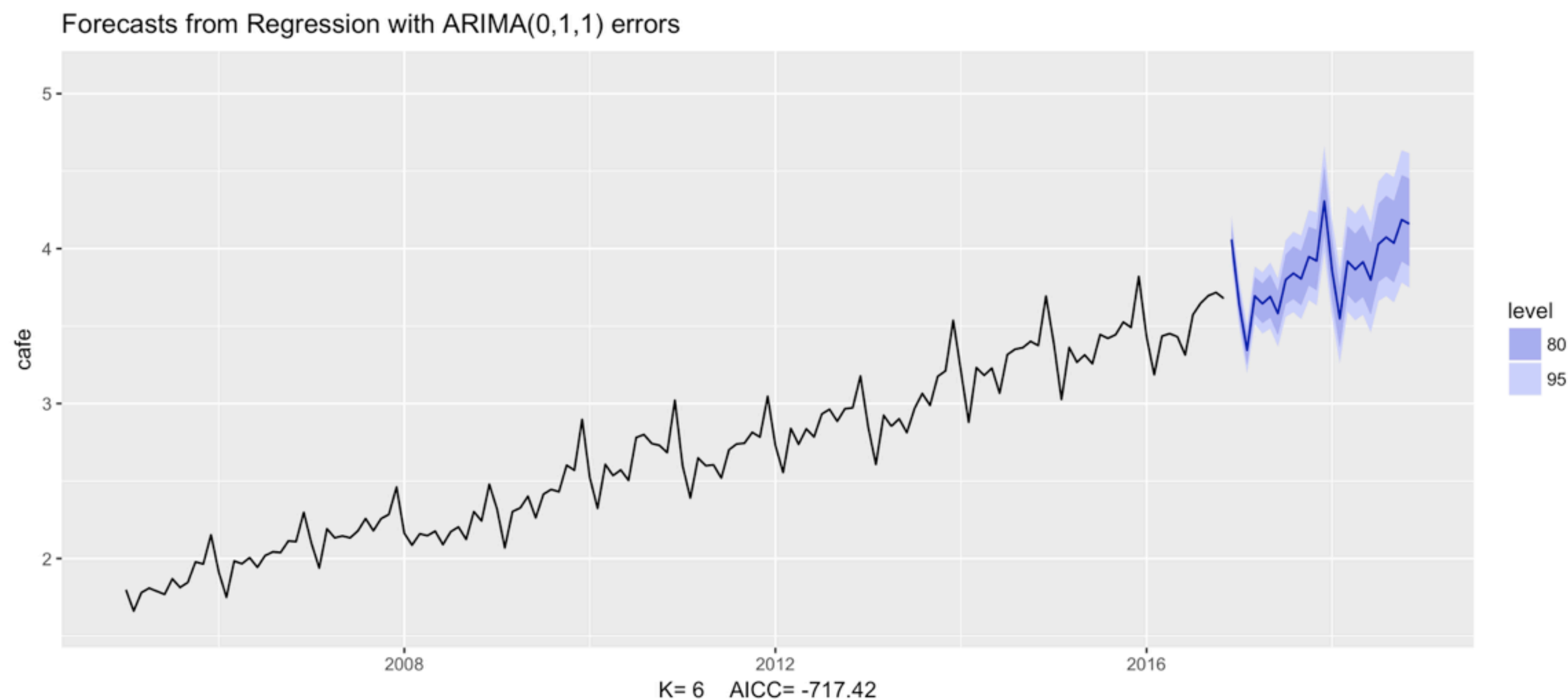
Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 5),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 5, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
```



Example: Australian cafe expenditure

```
> fit <- auto.arima(cafe, xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 6),  
                    seasonal = FALSE, lambda = 0)  
> fit %>% forecast(xreg = fourier(cafe, K = 6, h = 24)) %>%  
  autoplot() + ylim(1.6, 5.1)
```



Dynamic harmonic regression

$$y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{t,1} + \cdots + \beta_{t,r} x_{t,r} + \sum_{k=1}^K [\alpha_k s_k(t) + \gamma_k c_k(t)] + e_t$$

- Other predictor variables can be added as well: $x_{t,1}, \dots, x_{t,r}$
- Choose K to minimize the AICc
- K can not be more than $m/2$
- This is particularly useful for weekly data, daily data and sub-daily data



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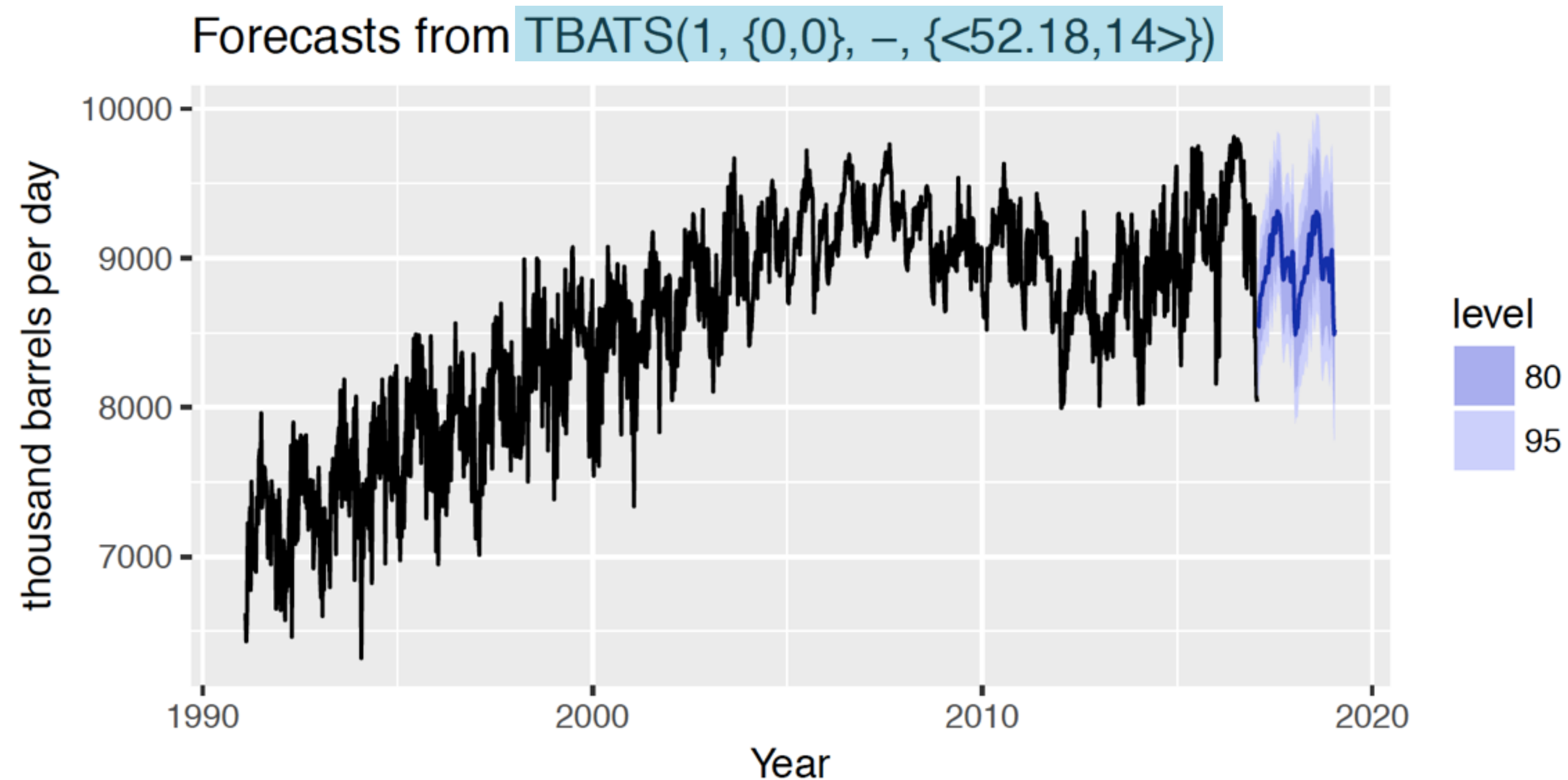
TBATS models

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- Trigonometric terms for seasonality
- Box-Cox transformations for heterogeneity
- ARMA errors for short-term dynamics
- Trend (possibly damped)
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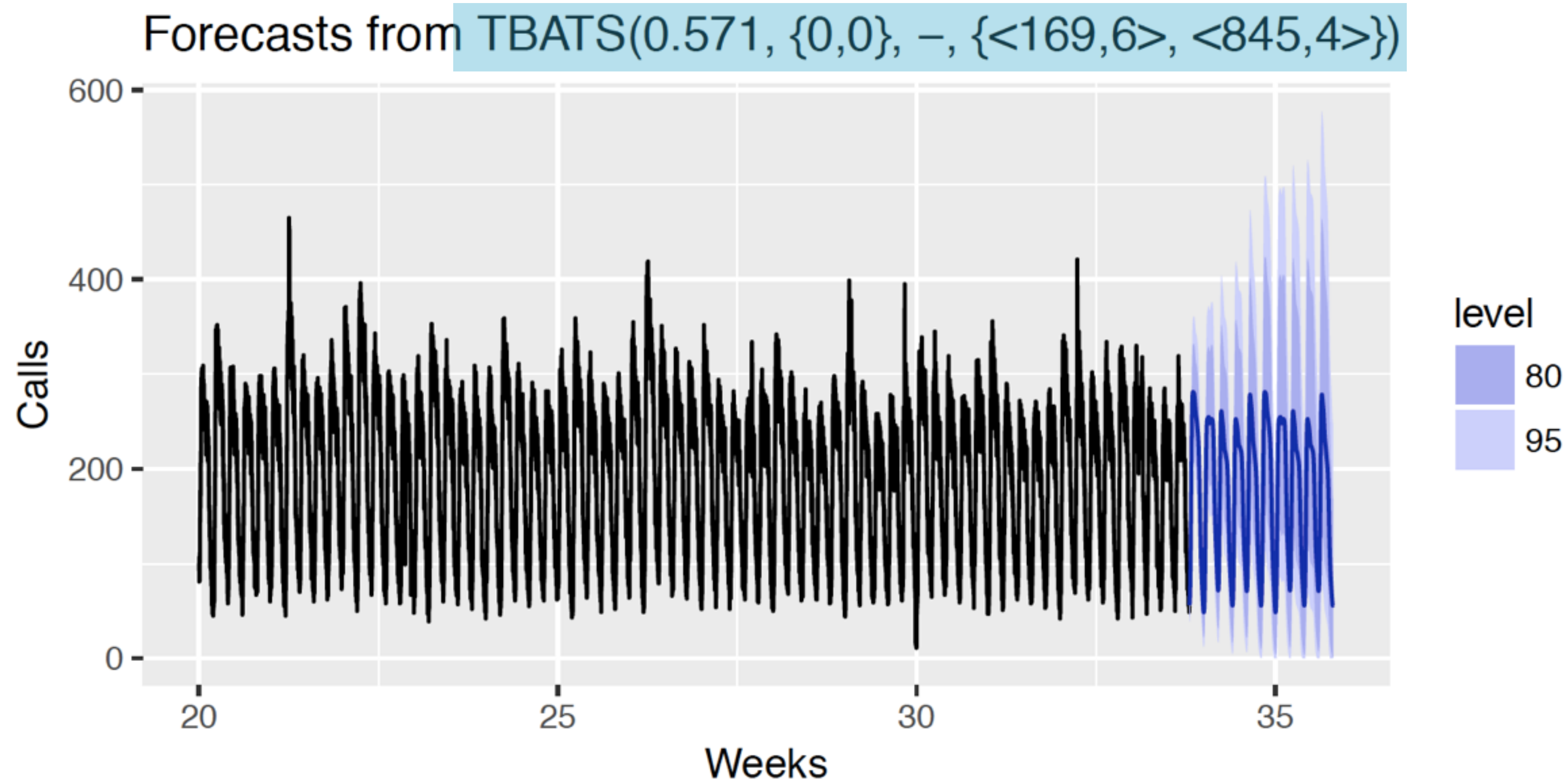
US Gasoline data

```
> gasoline %>% tbats() %>% forecast() %>%  
  autoplot() +  
  xlab("Year") + ylab("thousand barrels per day")
```



Call center data

```
> calls %>% window(start = 20) %>%  
  tbats() %>% forecast() %>%  
  autoplot() + xlab("Weeks") + ylab("Calls")
```



TBATS model

- Trigonometric terms for seasonality
- Box-Cox transformations for heterogeneity
- ARMA errors for short-term dynamics
- Trend (possibly damped)
- Seasonal (including multiple and non-integer periods)
 - Handles non-integer seasonality, multiple seasonal periods
 - Entirely automated
 - Prediction intervals often too wide
 - Very slow on long series



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