

Forecasting Process (with External Regressors)

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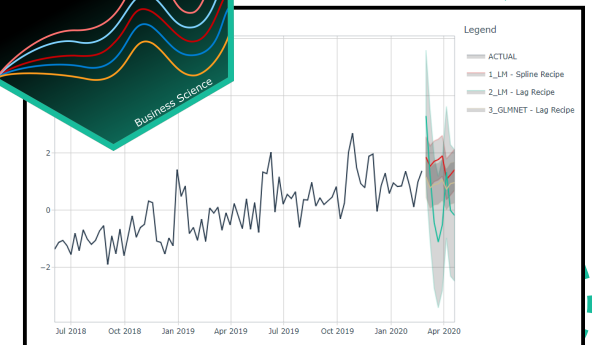
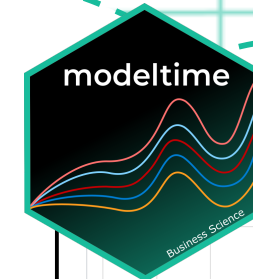
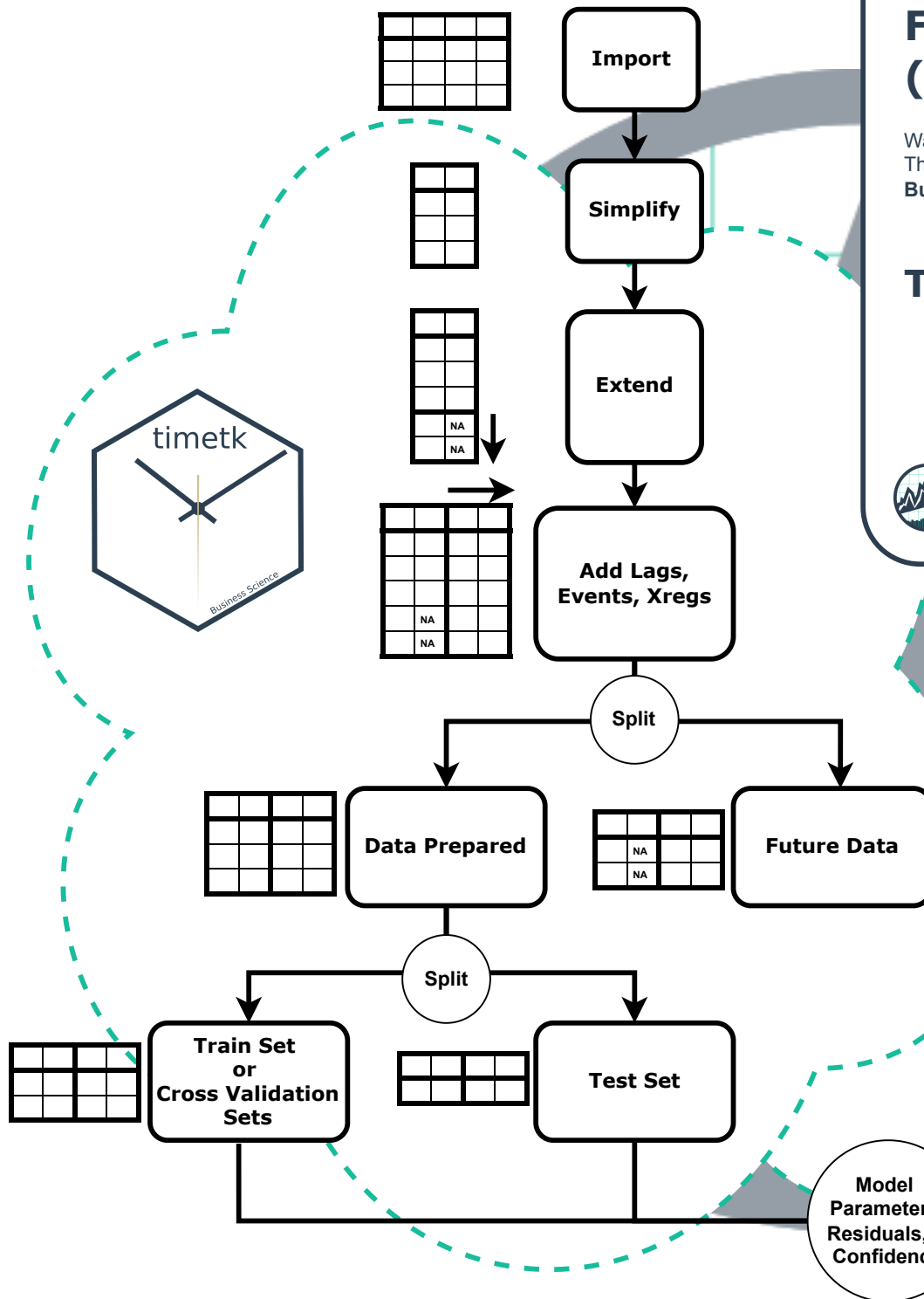
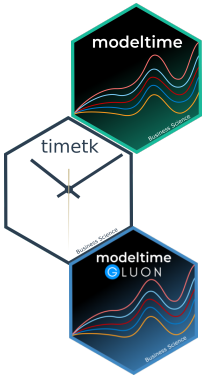
The Modeltime Ecosystem:

- [Timetk](#) (Time Series)
- [Modeltime](#) (Forecasting)
- [Modeltime Ensemble](#) (Blending)
- [Modeltime GluonTS](#) (Deep Learning)
- [Modeltime H2O](#) (AutoML)
- [Modeltime Resample](#) (Backtesting)

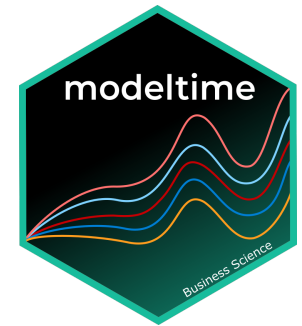


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MODELTIME Workflow



Create Modeltime Table

`modeltime_table()`

```
# Modeltime Table
# A tibble: 5 x 3
  .model_id .model .model_desc
  <int> <list> <chr>
1 1 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]
2 2 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] W/ XGBOOST ERRORS
3 3 <fit(+)> ETS(M,A,A)
4 4 <fit(+)> LM
5 5 <fit(+)> EARTH
```

Calibrate

`modeltime_calibrate()`

```
# Modeltime Table
# A tibble: 6 x 5
  .model_id .model .model_desc .type .calibration_data
  <int> <list> <chr> <chr> <list>
1 1 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
2 2 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] W/ XGBOOST ERRORS Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
3 3 <fit(+)> ETS(M,A,A) Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
4 4 <fit(+)> PROPHET Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
5 5 <fit(+)> LM Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
6 6 <fit(+)> EARTH Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
```

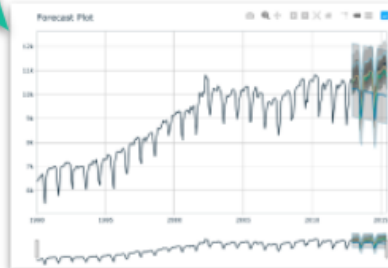
Refit

`modeltime_refit()`

```
# Modeltime Table
# A tibble: 6 x 5
  .model_id .model .model_desc .type .calibration_data
  <int> <list> <chr> <chr> <list>
1 1 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
2 2 <fit(+)> ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] W/ XGBOOST ERRORS Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
3 3 <fit(+)> ETS(A,A,A) Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
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5 5 <fit(+)> LM Test <tibble [31 x 4]>
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```

Forecast Test Set

`modeltime_forecast()`



`plot_modeltime_forecast()`

Test Accuracy

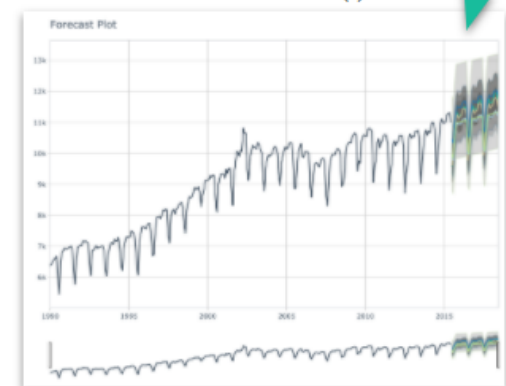
`modeltime_accuracy()`

Accuracy Table									
.model_id	.model_desc	.type	mae	mape	mase	smape	rmse	rsq	
1	ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]	Test	161.33	1.41	0.52	1.43	197.71	0.93	
2	ARIMA(0,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] W/ XGBOOST ERRORS	Test	147.04	1.37	0.50	1.39	191.84	0.93	
3	ETS(M,A,A)	Test	77.00	0.73	0.26	0.73	90.27	0.98	
4	PROPHET	Test	177.51	1.70	0.61	1.70	234.65	0.88	
5	LM	Test	629.12	6.01	2.15	5.81	657.19	0.91	
6	EARTH	Test	709.83	6.59	2.42	6.86	782.82	0.55	

`table_modeltime_accuracy()`

Forecast Future

`modeltime_forecast()`



`plot_modeltime_forecast()`

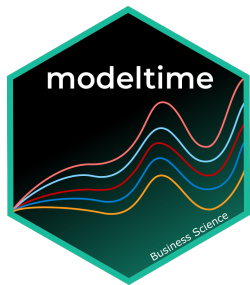
Resources:

- This workflow is covered in depth in the [High-Performance Time Series Course \(Modules 7 to 18\)](#)
- A beginner tutorial is available here: [Getting Started with Modeltime](#)
- The ["Global Forecasting Workflow"](#) is used to create scalable high-performance model(s) that forecast many time series
- This is NOT the "Iterative Forecasting Process" (Nested Workflow), which is used to forecast iteratively. The Iterative Forecasting Procedure is shown on Page 5.



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1. Cross Validation Plan

Can be used for more
than 1 model

2. Identify Tuning Parameters

Specific to Each Model

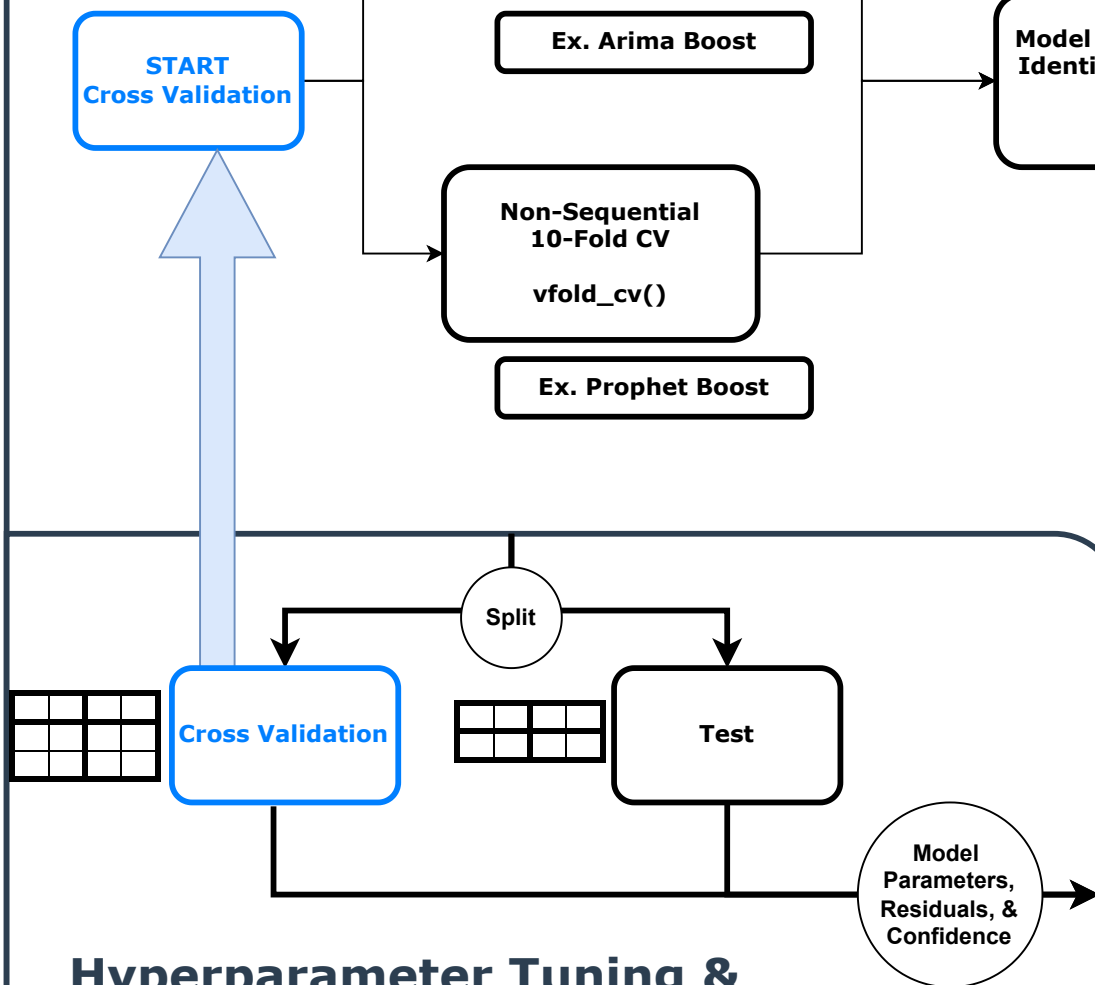
3. Make Grid for Parameters

Specific to Each Model

4. Hyperparameter Tune

Specific to Each Model

Use Parallel Processing
to Speed Up



Hyperparameter Tuning & Cross-Validation for Time Series

This page covers the Traditional Tidymodels Cross-Validation workflow, which is recommended for maximum stability of global models.

Additional Resources:

- The Traditional Tidymodels Cross-Validation Workflow is covered in-depth in [High-Performance Forecasting Module 13](#)
- The NEW hyperparameter tuning process is used for global forecasting in Module 1 & iterative forecasting in Module 2 of [The Lost Time Series Modules](#)
- The beginner tutorial: [NEW Hyperparameter Tuning & Parallel Processing Processing](#) with Modeltime

Model
Parameters,
Residuals, &
Confidence



MODELTIME ENSEMBLE

Multi-Level Stacking



Level 3: Weighted Stack

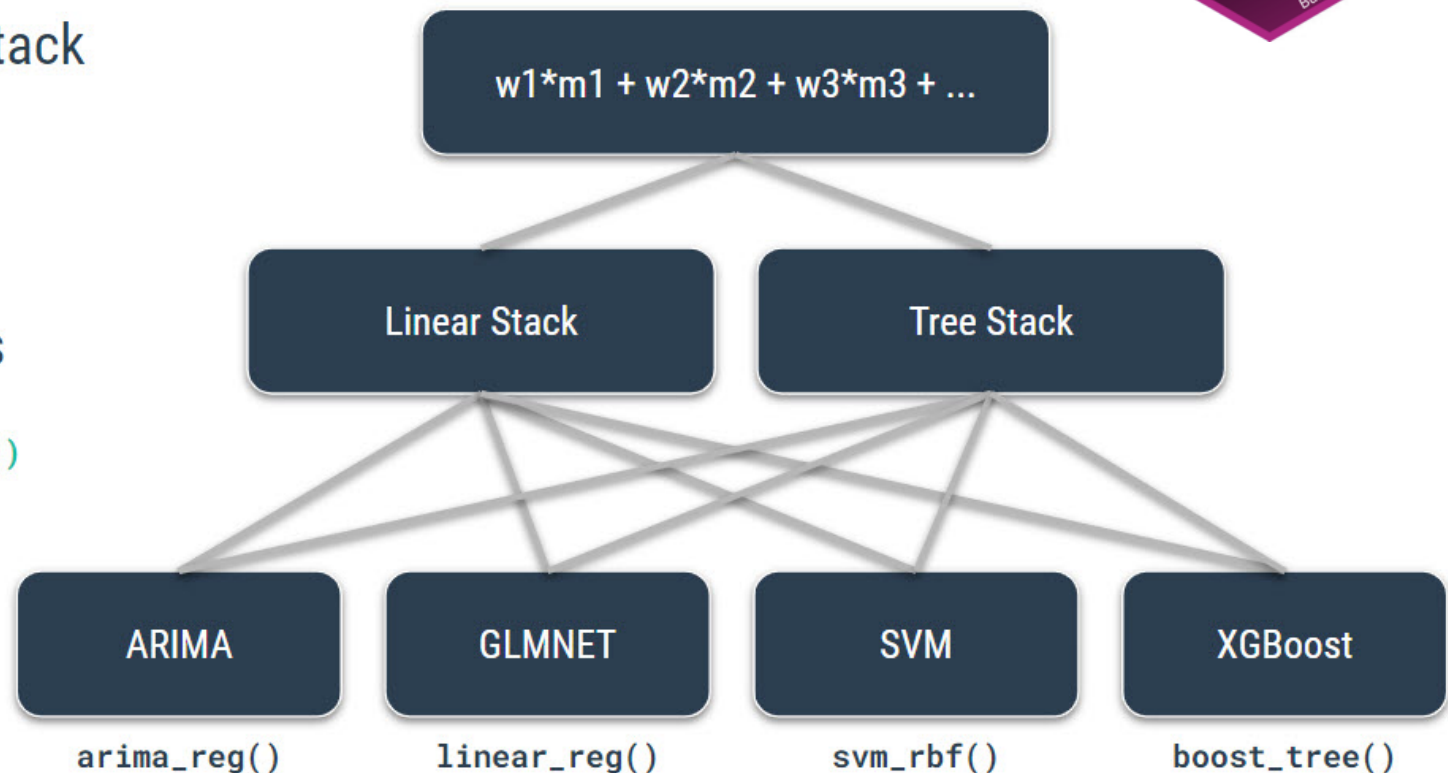
`ensemble_weighted()`
`ensemble_average()`

$$w1*m1 + w2*m2 + w3*m3 + \dots$$

Level 2: Stacking Algorithms

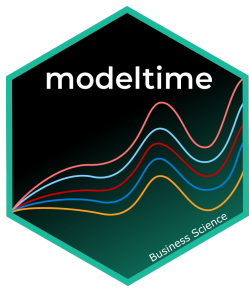
`ensemble_model_spec()`
`modeltime_fit_resamples()`

Level 1: Sub-Models



Additional Resources:

- The Modeltime Ensemble process is covered in-depth in the [High-Performance Time Series Course Module 14](#)
- The [Lost Time Series Module 5](#) shows how to use Ensembles to improve *Hierarchical Forecasting Performance*
- Additional Resource: [Getting Started with Modeltime Ensemble](#)



Iterative Forecasting (Nested Workflow)

Used to make individual models for many time series. Can be more accurate than Global Forecasting, but is less scalable.

- This process is covered in-depth in the [Lost Time Series Modules \(Module 2 - Iterative Forecasting at Scale\) and \(Module 3 - Recursive Iterative Forecasting\)](#).
- Additional Resource: [Getting Started with Nested Forecasting](#).

Nested Time Series Data

```
extend_timeseries()
nest_timeseries()
split_nested_timeseries()
```

```
# A tibble: 7 x 5
  id      .actual_data .future_data .splits
<fct> <list>
1 1_1 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
2 1_3 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
3 1_8 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
4 1_13 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
5 1_38 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
6 1_93 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
7 1_95 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]>
```

Many Models



`modeltime_nested_fit()`

Nested Modeltime Table

```
# Nested Modeltime Table
Trained on: .splits | Model Errors: [0]
# A tibble: 7 x 5
  id      .actual_data .future_data .splits .modeltime_tables
<fct> <list>
1 1_1 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [2 x 5]>
2 1_3 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [2 x 5]>
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```

Core Functions | Nested Forecasting

1: Nested Fitting

`modeltime_nested_fit()`

- Trains** each model on training split
- Logs** test accuracy, test forecast with confidence intervals on testing split
- Logs** additional information including error reports

2: Select Best

`modeltime_nested_select_best()`

- Selects best model** using accuracy metric
- Filters** test forecasts to just those of best models
- Logs** best models

3: Nested Refitting

`modeltime_nested_refit()`

- Retrains** selected models on actual data
- Logs** future forecast on future data

Extracting Nested Modeltime Table Logs

Nested Modeltime Table

```
# Nested Modeltime Table
Trained on: .actual_data | Model Errors: [0]
# A tibble: 7 x 5
  id      .actual_data .future_data .splits .modeltime_tables
<fct> <list>
1 1_1 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [1 x 5]>
2 1_3 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [1 x 5]>
3 1_8 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [1 x 5]>
4 1_13 <tibble [104 x 2]> <tibble [52 x 2]> <split [52/52]> <mdl_time_tbl [1 x 5]>
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```

Contains
Logged
Attributes
for fast
extraction

Test Accuracy

`extract_nested_test_accuracy()`

id	model_id	model_desc	error_desc
1_1	1	PROPHET	Time series model
1_3	2	HGBOOST	Time series model
1_8	1	PROPHET	Time series model
1_13	2	HGBOOST	Time series model
1_38	1	PROPHET	Time series model
1_93	2	HGBOOST	Time series model
1_95	1	PROPHET	Time series model

Test Forecast

`extract_nested_test_forecast()`



Error Reporting

`extract_nested_error_report()`

```
# A tibble: 4 x 4
  id      .model_id .model_desc .error_desc
<fct>      <int>      <chr>      <chr>
1 1_1        2 BOOST_TREE "'data' has class 'character' and length 52.\n 'data...'
2 1_3        2 BOOST_TREE "'data' has class 'character' and length 52.\n 'data...'
3 1_8        1 BOOST_TREE "'x' should be an 'rsplit' object"
4 1_8        2 BOOST_TREE "'x' should be an 'rsplit' object"
```



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