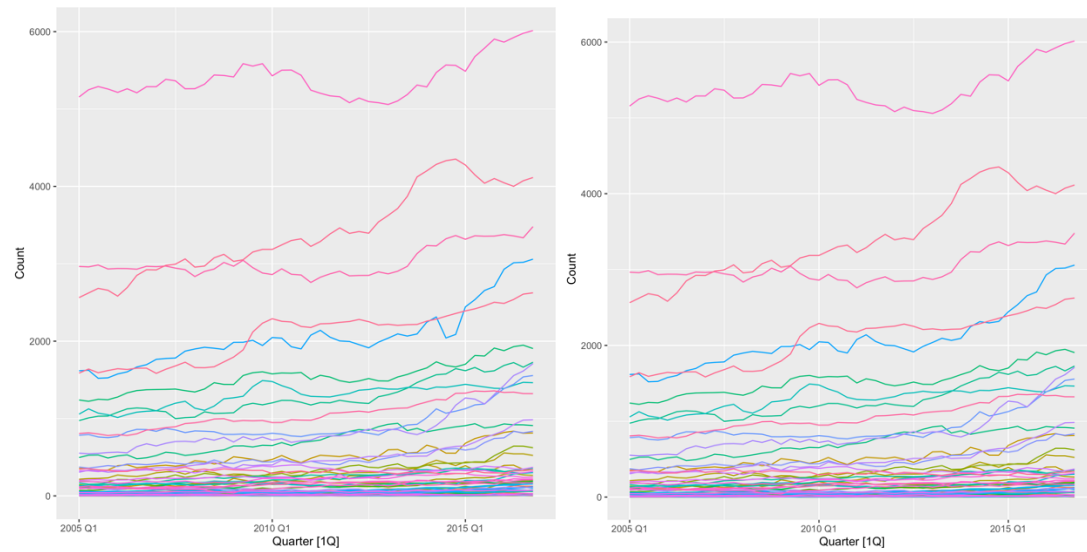


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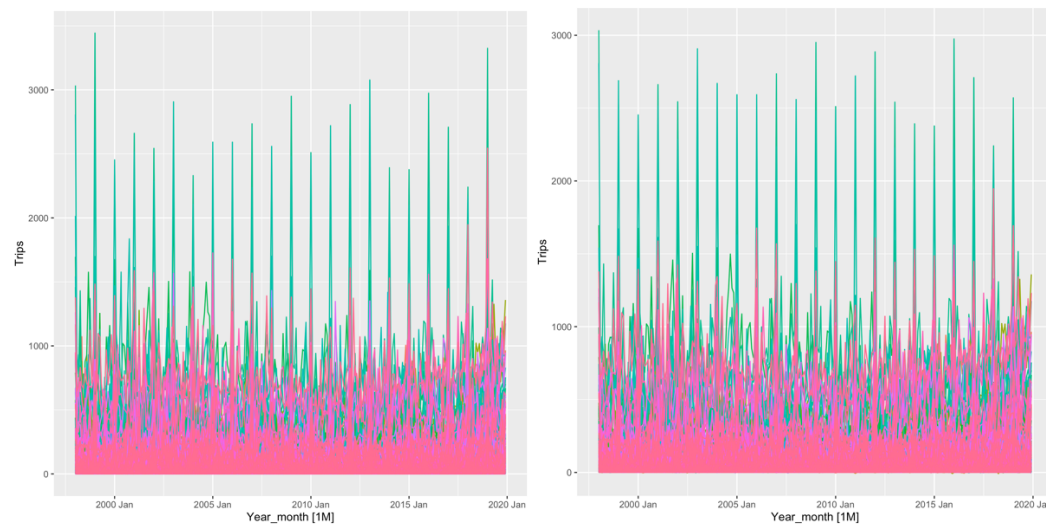
1. Data Cleaning for all datasets
2. Wikipedia dataset – hierarchy structure changed based of the paper, Total X Access X Agent X Language X Purpose X Article

Data Before and After Cleaning

Prison



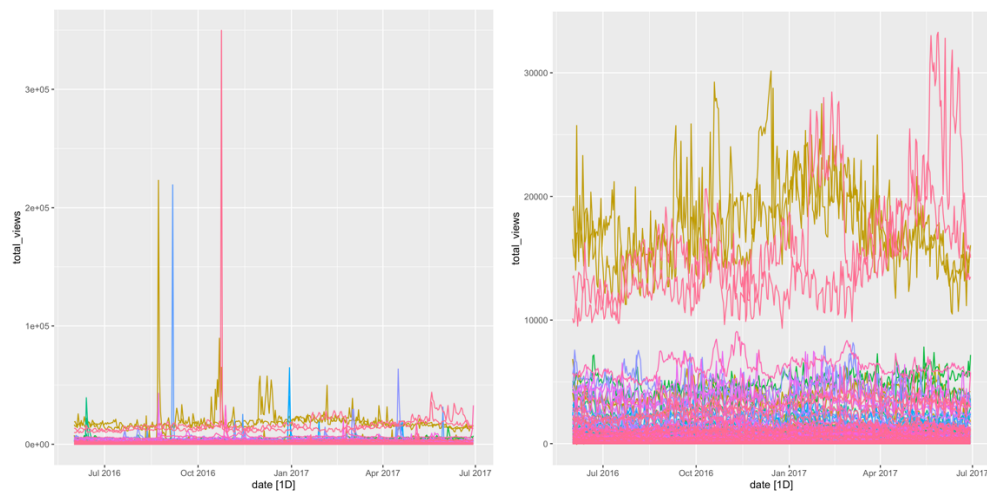
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Wikipedia



Summary Data and Results

Dataset	Frequency	Horizon	Number of Samples	Minimum training sample length	Number of levels	Number of total time series
Prison	4 (quarterly)	8	3	24	5	121
Tourism	12 (monthly)	12	10	144	3	85
Wikipedia	7 (weekly)	7	10	324	6	1095
Labour	4 (quarterly)	12	5	68	4	57

Error calculation

- Step 1 – For each time series in the hierarchy calculate the error metric (MSE, MAPE)
- Step 2 – Calculate the mean error across the time series in each level (this gives the mean error for each level)
- Step 3 – Calculate the overall error by getting the mean error across all time series errors we have in Step 1
- Step 4 – Repeat step 1-3 for all samples
- Step 5 – Calculate the mean error for each level and overall, across the samples
- Step 6 – Calculate the percentage improvement for each level and overall

Results Across Samples – Latest

Full Horizon

Base Errors (MSE) - Overall

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS	DeepAR	WaveNet
Prison	52548.6	49629.380	121514.997	1.836182e+08
Tourism	70573.5	65806.981	75410.124	117250.810
Labour	1231.7	2313.894	3221.896	1922.840
Wikipedia	3.477905e+05	2.862994e+05	4.503426e+05	8.904260e+05

Best Approach from Reconciliation

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS	DeepAR	WaveNet
Prison	OLS Best ML Rank – 4 (Case 2 Lambda 0.1-0.9)	Case 1 Lambda 0.1-0.9 No skip / Case 1 Lambda 1	Bottom-UP Best ML Rank – 5 (Case2 Lambda 0.1, 0.9)	BottomUp Best ML Rank – 2 (Case 1 Lambda 1-4)
Tourism	OLS Best ML Rank – 3 Case 1 Lambda 0.01-5	OLS Best ML Rank- 2 Case 2 Lambda 1	MintShrink Best ML Rank -4 (Case 1 Lambda 0.1-0.9)	Case 2 Lambda 0.01-5
Labour	OLS Best ML Rank – 4 (Case 2 Lambda 0.1-0.9)	Case 2 Lambda 0.01-0.09	Case 1/2 Lambda 0.01-0.09	MintShrink Best ML Case – 4 (Case 2 Lambda 0.01-0.09)
Wikipedia	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09 / Case 2 Lambda 1-4	Bottom-Up Best ML Rank – 4 (Case 1 Lambda 0.01-5)	WLS Best ML Case – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 1-4)	Case 2 Lambda 1-4

Short Horizon

Base Errors (MSE)

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS	DeepAR	WaveNet
Prison	16240.217	15644.543	56893.103	1.861848e+08
Tourism	67303.917	60432.873	77717.717	129727.399
Labour	603.014	689.654	1285.324	1154.330
Wikipedia	2.835496e+05	2.140000e+05	3.452034e+05	9.779535e+05

Best Approach from Reconciliation

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS	DeepAR	WaveNet
Prison	Case 1 Lambda 0.1-0.9	Case 2 Lambda 0.01-0.09	Bottom-UP Best ML Rank – 5 (Case2 Lambda 0.1, 0.9)	Bottom-UP Best ML Rank 2 (Case 1 Lambda 1-4)
Tourism	OLS Best ML Rank – 3 Case 2 Lambda 0.01-5	Case 2 Lambda 1	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09	Case 2 Lambda 0.01- 5
Labour	OLS Best ML Rank – 3 (Case 2 Lambda 0.01-5)	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-5	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09	Case 1 Lambda 0.1- 0.9
Wikipedia	Case 1 Lambda 0.1-0.9	Case 2 Lambda 1-4	OLS Best ML Rank – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 1-4)	MinTShrink Best ML Rank 2 (Case 2 Lambda 1-4)

Results Across Samples

Full Horizon (*In the full horizon ML reconciliation performs best for most 3 out of datasets when the base model is ETS. However, when the base forecasts are from ARIMA the ML reconciliation performs best only for the Tourism dataset*)

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS
Prison	OLS Best ML Rank – 4 (Case 1 Lambda 1-4)	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09
Tourism	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-5	Case 2 Lambda 1
Labour	OLS Best ML Rank – 4 (Case 2 Lambda 1)	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09
Wikipedia	OLS Best ML Rank – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 0.1-0.9)	OLS Best ML Rank – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 1)

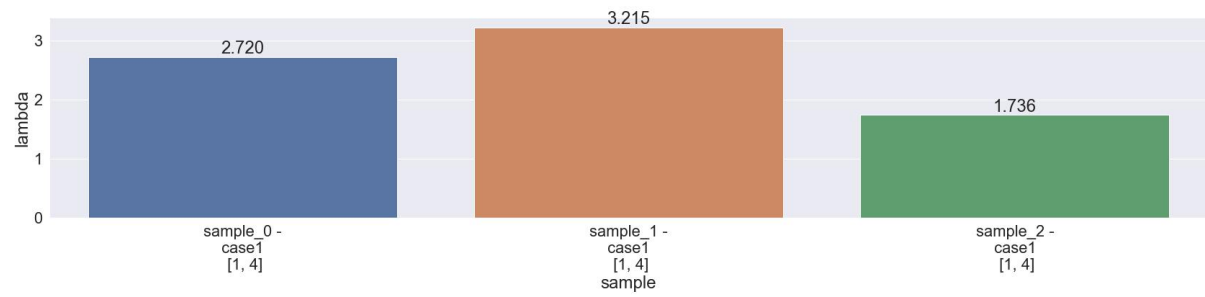
Short Horizon (*In the short horizon ML reconciliation performs best for most 3 out of datasets when the base model is ETS – similar observation as the full horizon. When the base forecasts are from ARIMA the ML reconciliation performs best for Prison and Tourism datasets*)

Dataset	ARIMA	ETS
Prison	Case 1 Lambda 1-4	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09
Tourism	Case 2 Lambda 0.01-5	Case 1 Lambda 1-4
Labour	OLS Best ML Rank – 2 (Case 2 Lambda 1)	Case 1 Lambda 0.01-0.09
Wikipedia	OLS Best ML Rank – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 0.1-0.9)	OLS Best ML Rank – 5 (Case 2 Lambda 0.01-5)

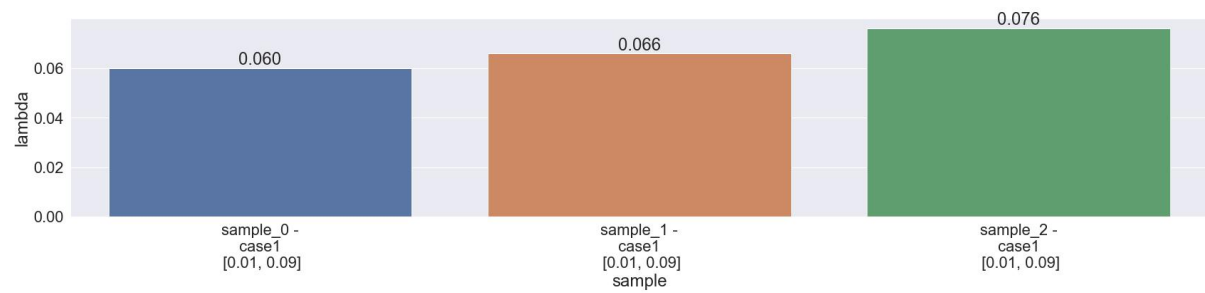
Lambda Ranges – Lambda value for each sample from the overall best ML method

Prison

ARIMA

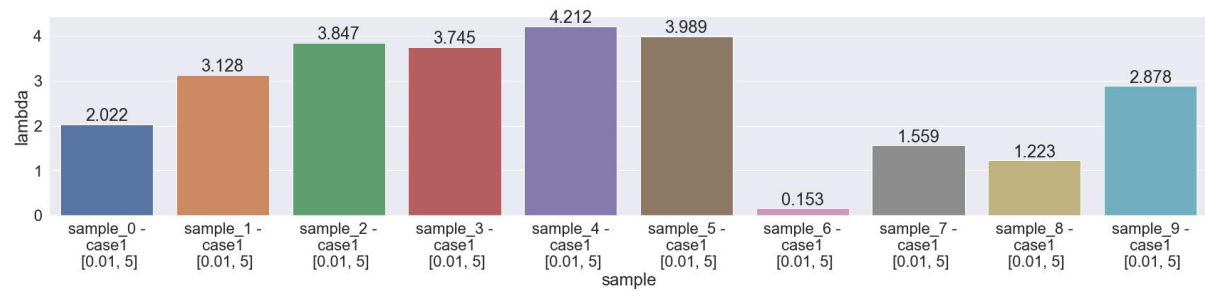


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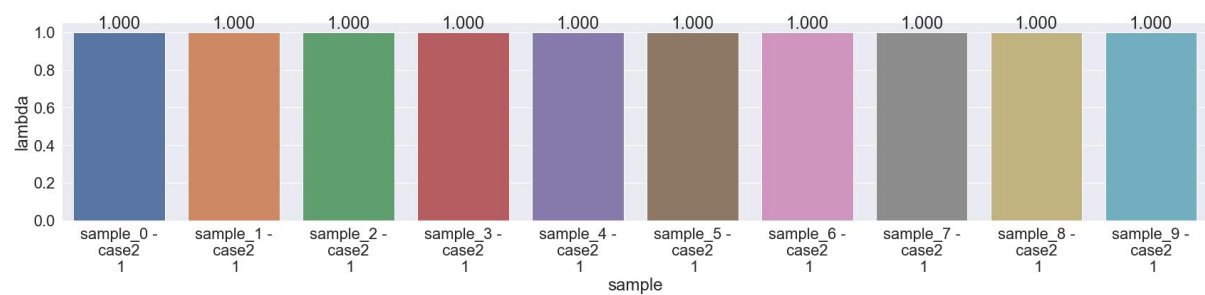


Tourism

ARIMA

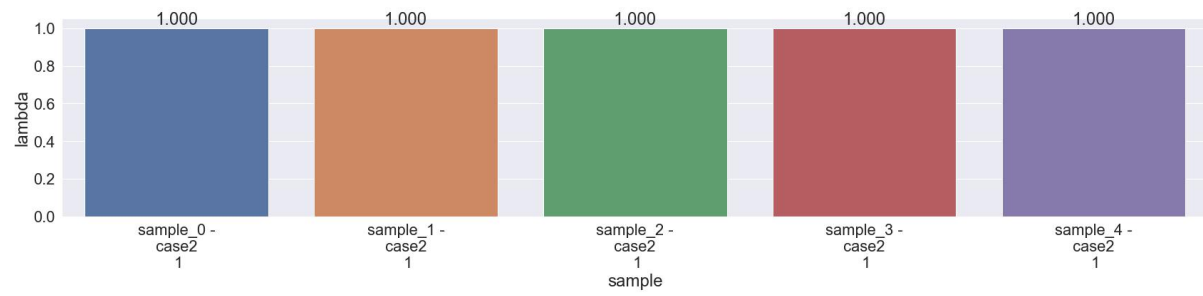


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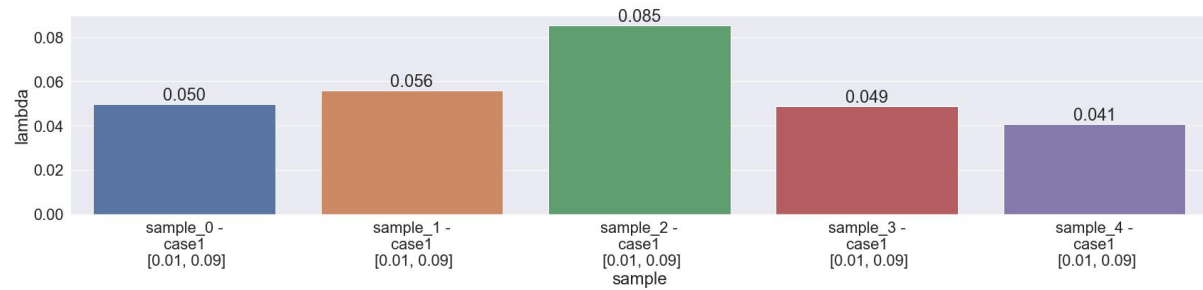


Labour

ARIMA

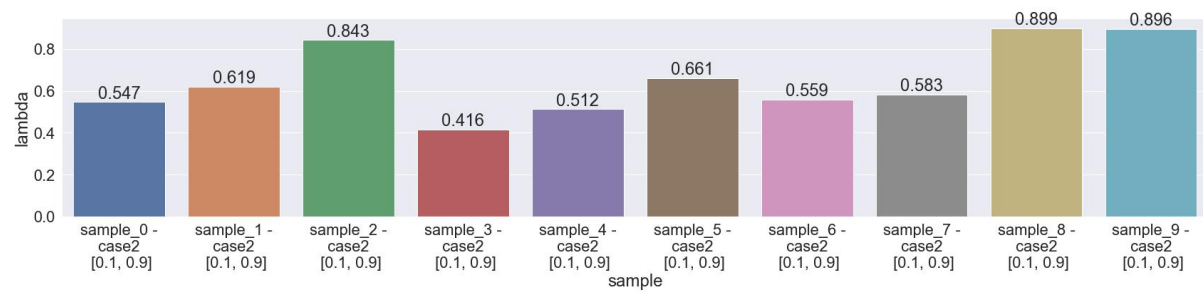


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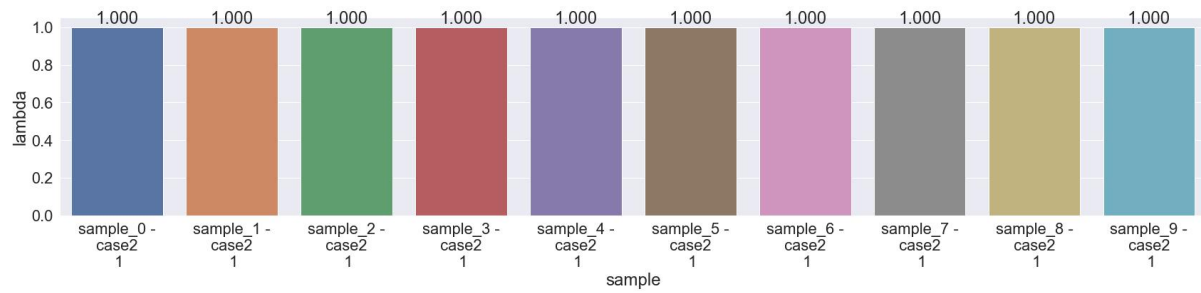


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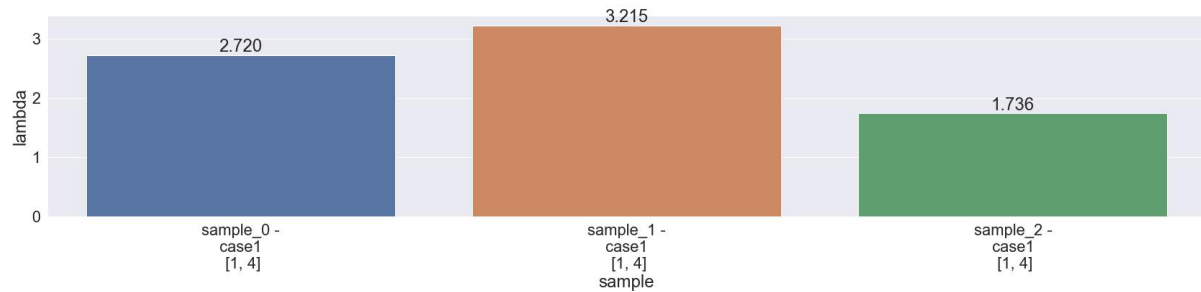
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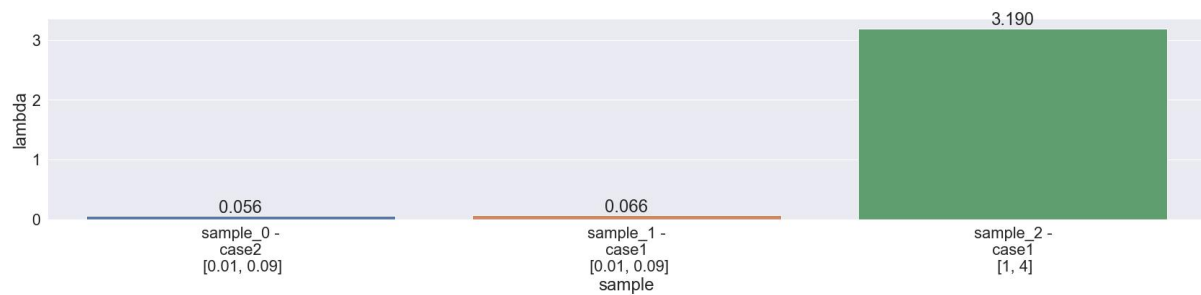
Lambda Ranges – Lambda value and the best ML method per sample

Prison

ARIMA

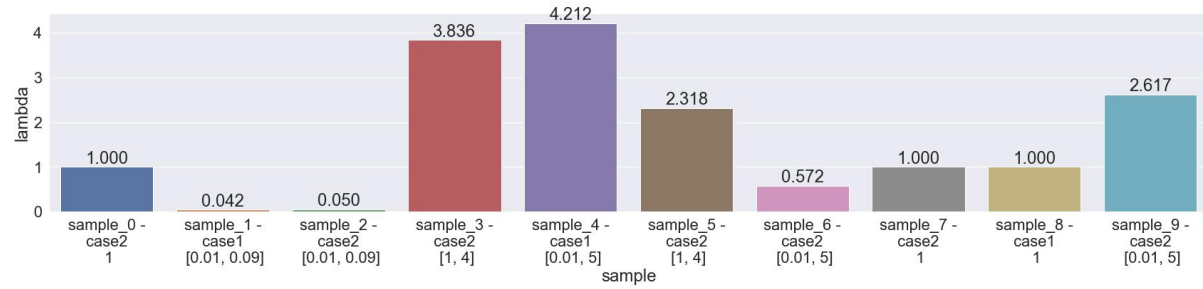


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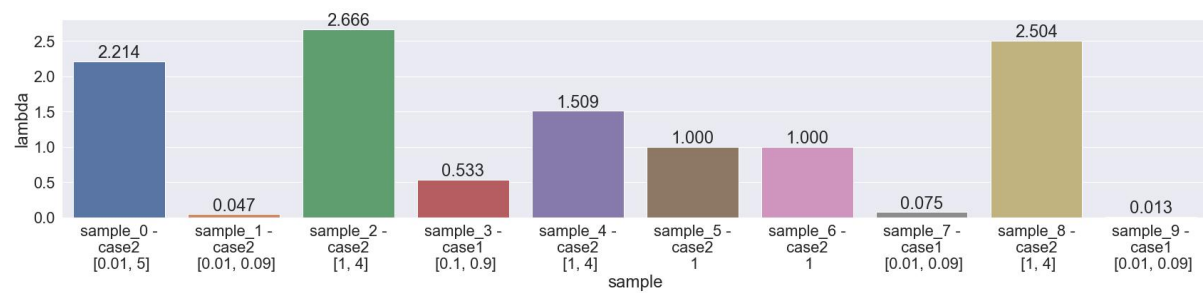


Tourism

ARIMA

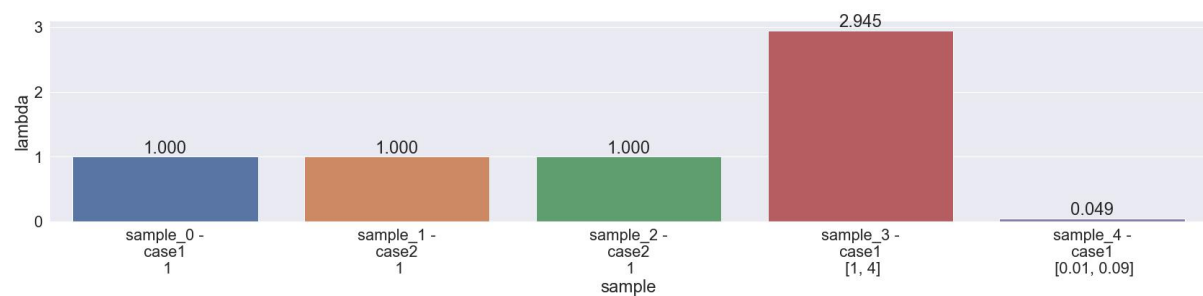


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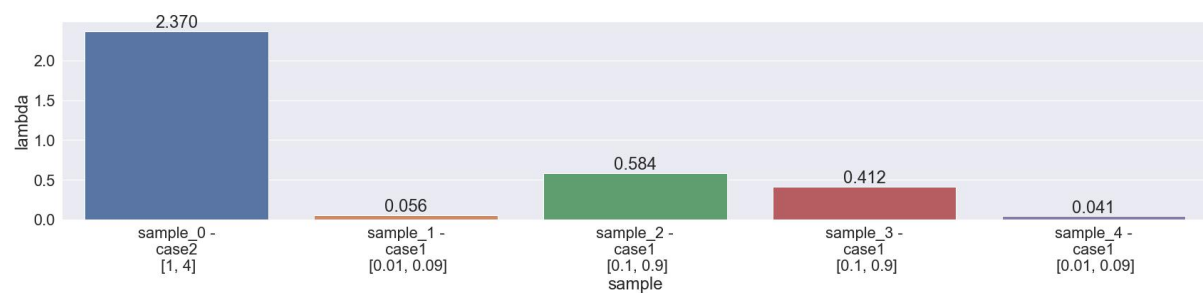


Labour

ARIMA

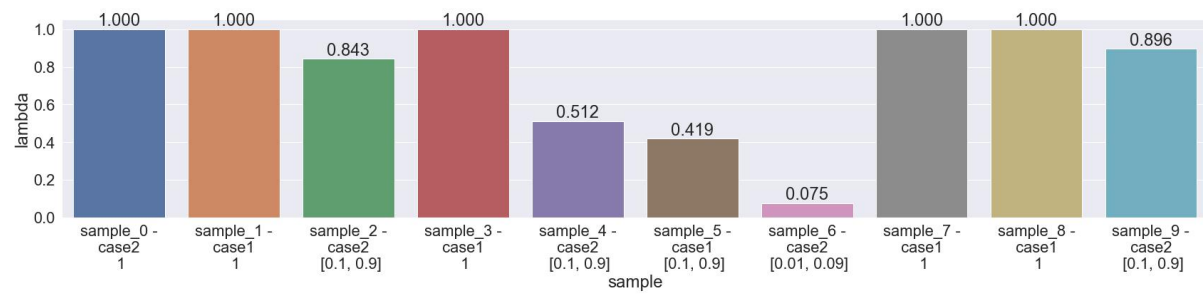


ETS



Wikipedia

ARIMA



ETS

