

# Climate Data Forecasting - Atmospheric $CO_2$ Concentration / Temperature / Precipitation

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# 1 Forecasting of Hohenpeissenberg - Temperature and Precipitation Climate Analysis

## 1.1 Stationarity and differencing

Stationary time series is one whose properties do not depend on the time at which the series is observed. Thus, time series with trends, or with seasonality, are not stationary — the trend and seasonality will affect the value of the time series at different times. On the other hand, a white noise series is stationary — it does not matter when you observe it, it should look much the same at any point in time.

Stationary time series will have no predictable patterns in the long-term. Time plots will show the series to be roughly horizontal (although some cyclic behaviour is possible), with constant variance.

If  $y_t$  is a *stationary* time series, then for all  $s$ , the distribution of  $(y_t, \dots, y_{t+s})$  does not depend on  $t$ .

If Time Series data with seasonality are non-stationary

- => first take a seasonal difference
- if seasonally differenced data appear are still non-stationary
- => take an additional first seasonal difference

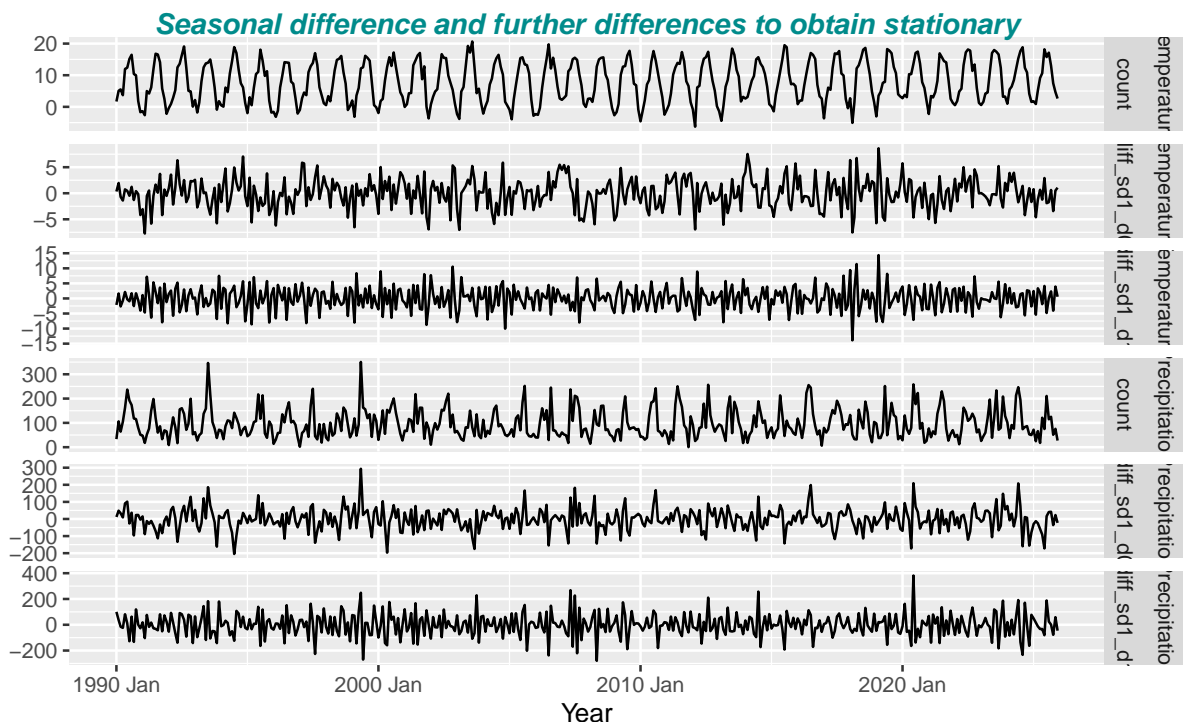
The model fit residuals have to be stationary. For good forecasting this has to be verified with residual diagnostics.

Essential:

- Residuals are uncorrelated
- The residuals have zero mean

Useful (but not necessary):

- The residuals have constant variance.
- The residuals are normally distributed.



### 1.1.1 Unitroot KPSS Test - fix number of seasonal differences/differences required

- For **ARIMA model** use Unitroot KPSS Test to fix number of differences
  - `unitroot_nsdiffs()` to determine  $D$  (the number of seasonal differences to use)
  - `unitroot_ndiffs()` to determine  $d$  (the number of ordinary differences to use)
  - The selection of the other model parameters ( $p, q, P$  and  $Q$ ) are all determined by minimizing the AICc
- kpss test of stationary of the differentiated data (with seasonal and ordinary differences) used in the **ARIMA model**
  - stationary times series: the distribution of  $(y_t, \dots, y_{t-s})$  does not depend on  $t$ .
  - *Null Hypothesis*  $H_0$ : stationary is given in the time series: data are stationary and non seasonal
    - \* for  $p < \alpha = 0.05$  : reject  $H_0$
    - \* for  $p >> \alpha = 0.05$  : conclude: differentiated data are stationary and non seasonal
- kpss test of stationary w/ `unitroot_nsdiffs` & `unitroot_ndiff` provides
  - minimum number of seasonal & ordinary differences required for a stationary series
  - first fix required seasonal differences and then apply `ndiffs` to the seasonally differenced data
  - returns 1 => for stationarity one seasonal difference resp. difference is required

```
#> ndiffs gives the number of differences required and
#> nsdiffs gives the number of seasonal differences required
#> - to make a series stationary (test is based on the KPSS test)
#> unitroot_kpss test to define seasonal (nsdiffs) and ordinary (ndiffs) differences
#> # A tibble: 2 x 5
#>   Measure      kpss_stat kpss_pvalue nsdiffs ndiffs
#>   <fct>          <dbl>      <dbl>    <int>  <int>
#> 1 Temperature      4.07         0.01        1      1
#> 2 Precipitation    17.0         0.01        0      1
#> unitroot_kpss test on (difference(count, 12) + difference())
#> # A tibble: 2 x 3
#>   Measure      kpss_stat kpss_pvalue
#>   <fct>          <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 Temperature    0.00184         0.1
#> 2 Precipitation  0.00181         0.1
```

### 1.1.2 Ljung-Box Test - independence/white noise of the time series

The Ljung-Box Test becomes important when checking independence/white noise of the forecasts residuals of the fitted ETS resp. ARIMA models. There we have to check whether the forecast errors are normally distributed with mean zero

- `augment(fit) |> features(.innov, ljung_box, lag=x, dof=y)` (Ch. 5.4 Residual diagnostics)
  - portmanteau test suggesting that the residuals are white noise
  - *Null Hypothesis*  $H_0$ : independence/white noise for residuals, i.e. each autocorrelation in the time series residuals of the model for lag  $l$  is close to zero.
    - \* for  $p < \alpha = 0.05$  : reject  $H_0$
    - \* for  $p >> \alpha = 0.05$  : conclude: the residuals are not distinguishable from a white noise series
  - `lag = 2*m` (period of season, e.g.  $m=12$  for monthly season) | no season: `lag=10`
  - `dof = p + q + P + Q` (for ARIMA models only, degree of freedom)

Time series with trend and/or seasonality is not stationary. Tests are to be taken on the residuals of the fitted models.

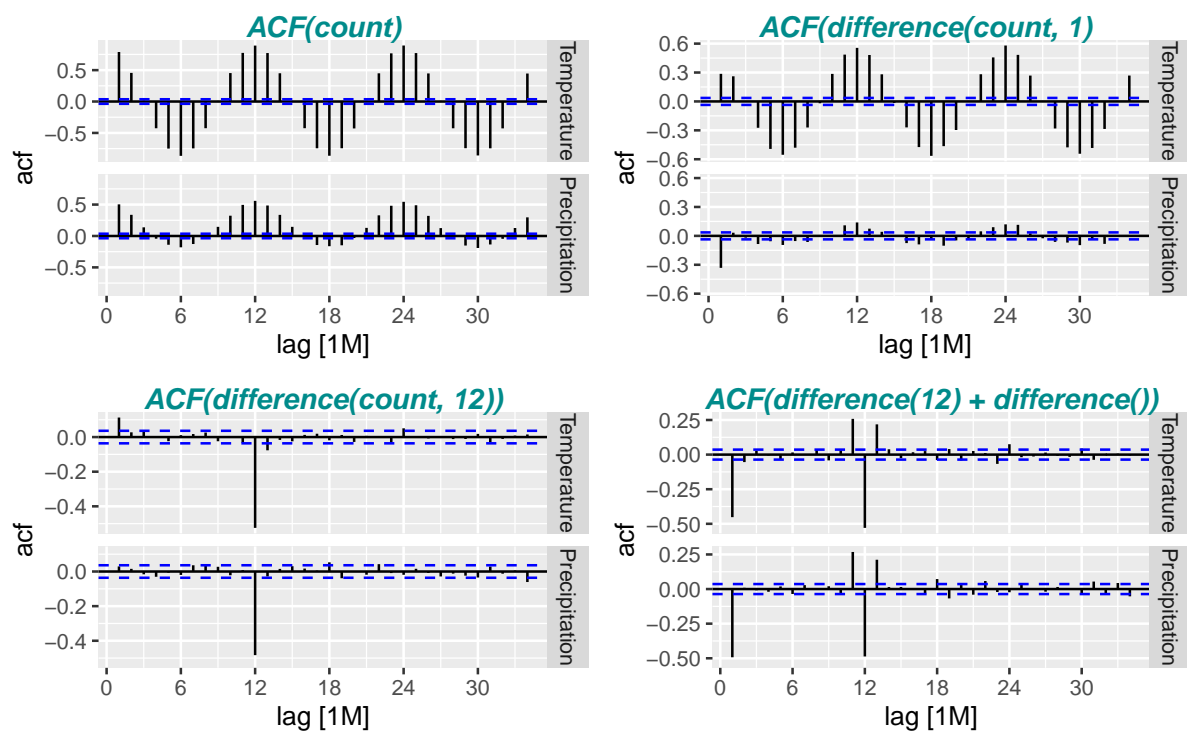
```
#> Ljung-Box test with (count), w/o differences
#> # A tibble: 2 x 3
#>   Measure      lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <fct>          <dbl>      <dbl>
#> 1 Temperature    9619.         0
#> 2 Precipitation  1715.         0
#> Ljung-Box test on (difference(count, 12))
```

```

#> # A tibble: 2 x 3
#>   Measure      lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <fct>        <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Temperature    50.4 0.000000227
#> 2 Precipitation   19.3 0.0367
#> Ljung-Box test on (difference(count, 12) + difference())
#> # A tibble: 2 x 3
#>   Measure      lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <fct>        <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Temperature    624.      0
#> 2 Precipitation   726.      0

```

### 1.1.3 ACF (Autocorrelation Function) Plots of Differences



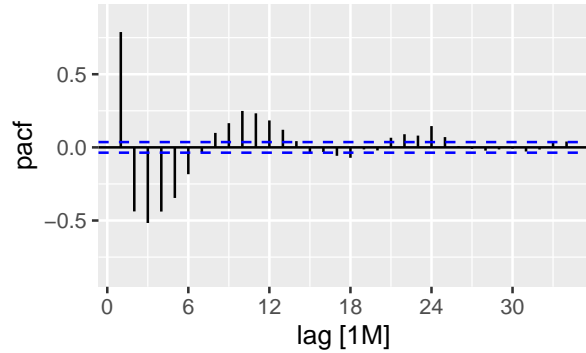
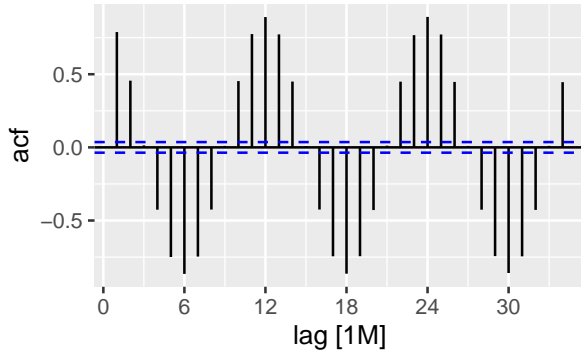
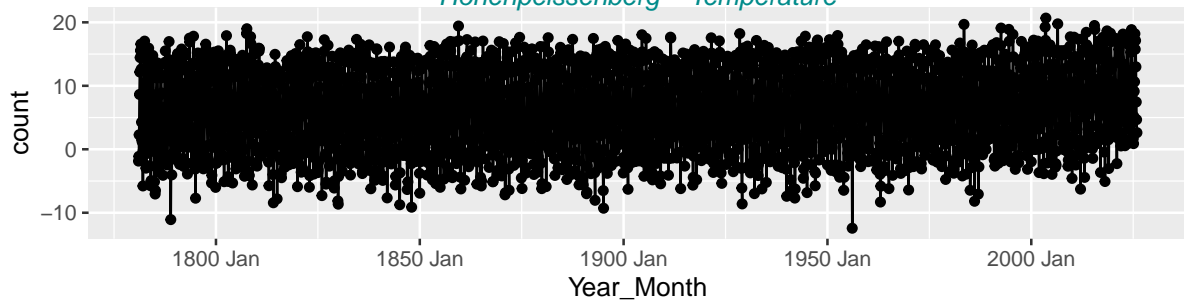
### 1.1.4 Time Series, ACF and PACF (Partial) Plots of Differences - for ARIMA p, q check

```

#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum Mean
#>   <chr>    <fct>    <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature 18597.  6.33

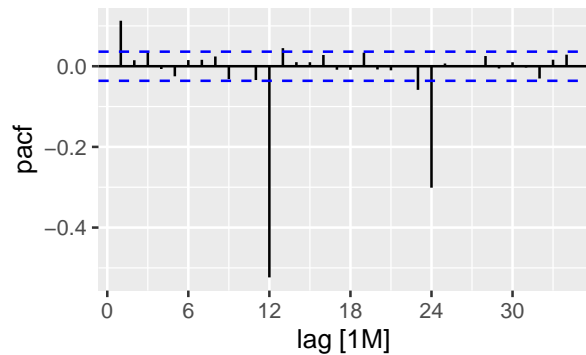
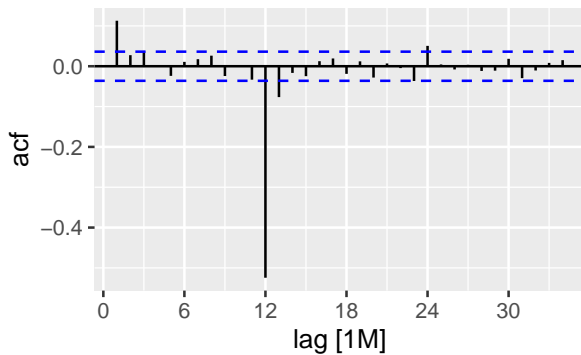
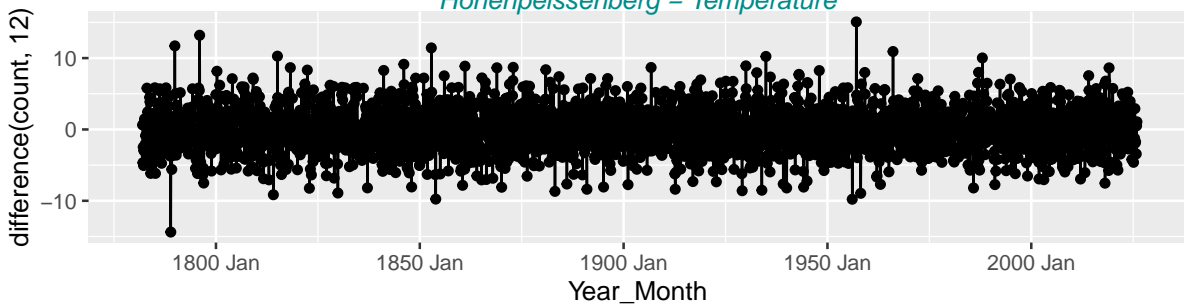
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### Time Series, ACF & PACF for (count) Hohenpeissenberg – Temperature

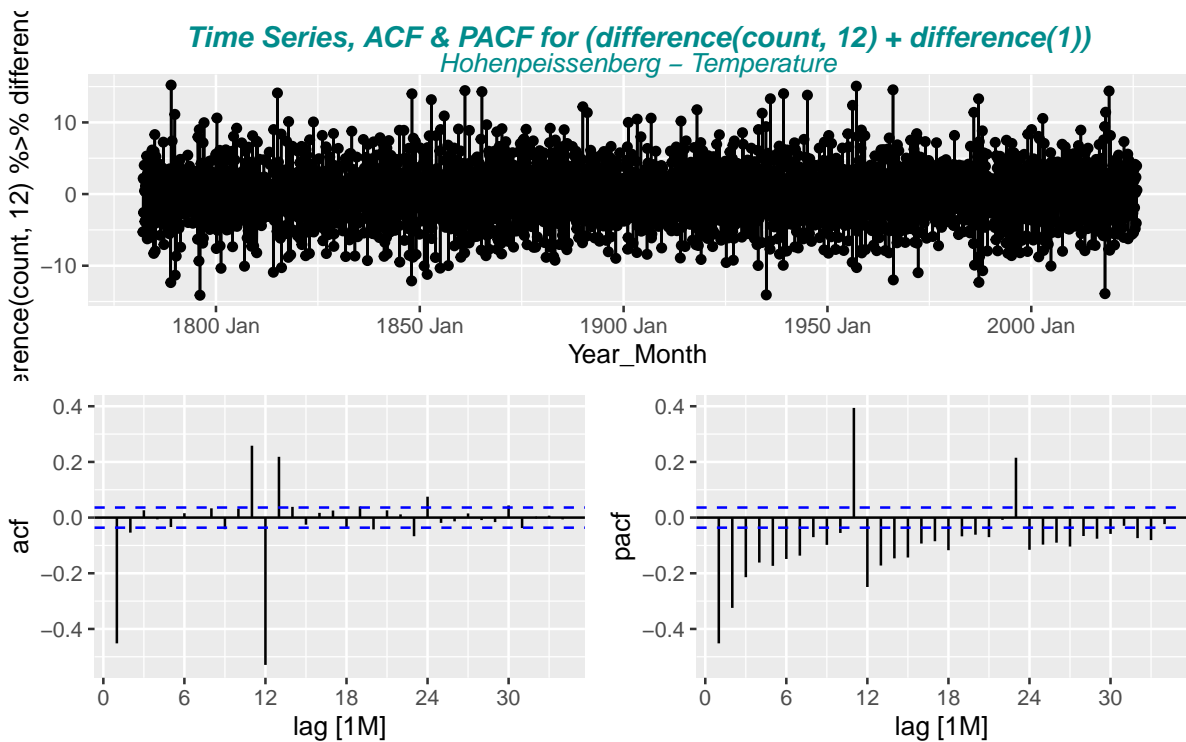


```
#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum      Mean
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature 20.2 0.00689
```

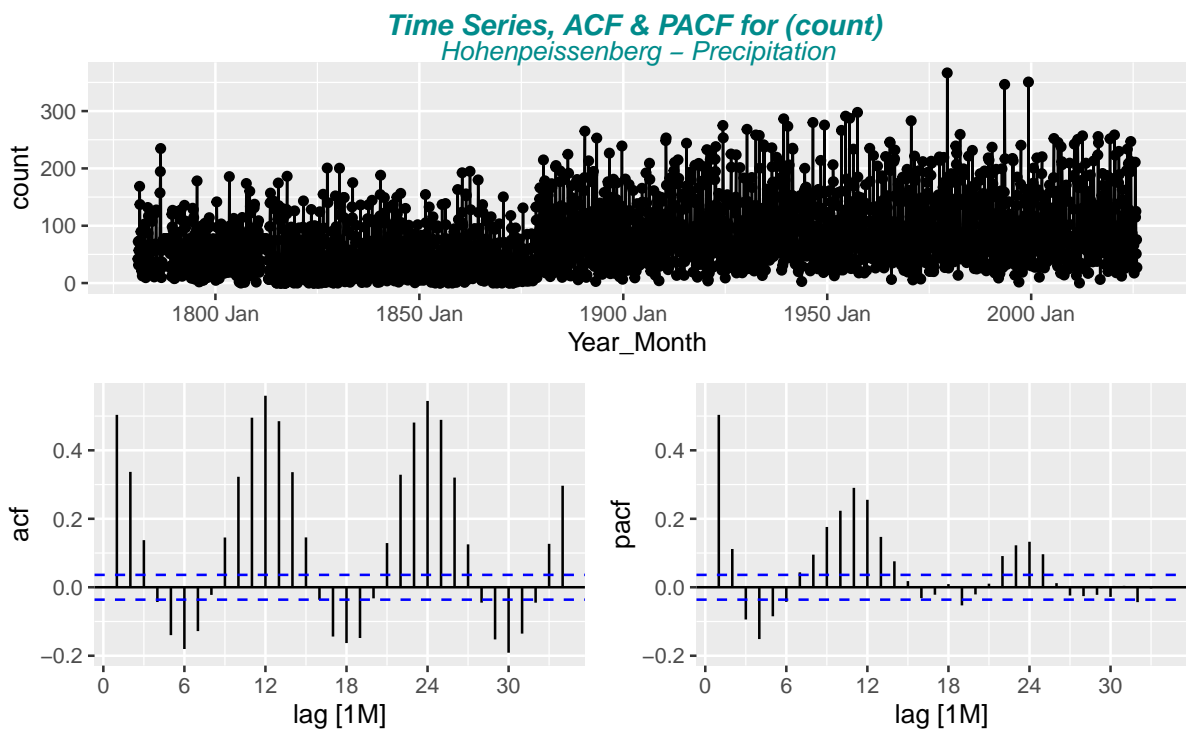
### Time Series, ACF & PACF for (difference(count, 12)) Hohenpeissenberg – Temperature



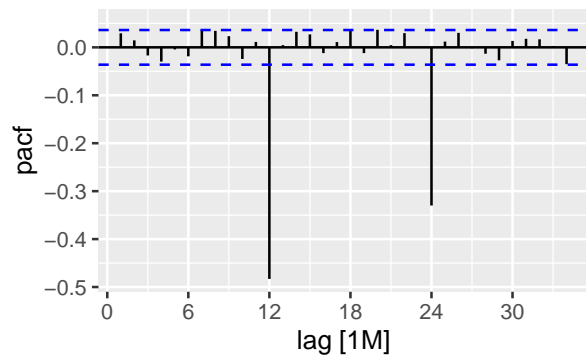
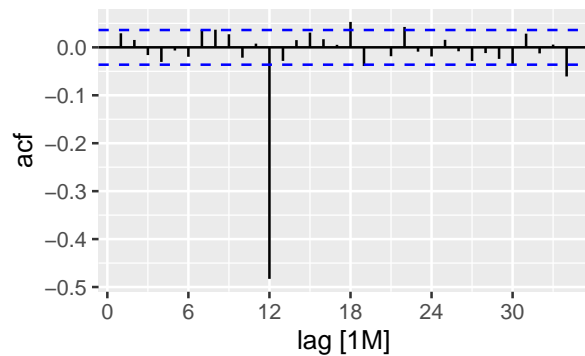
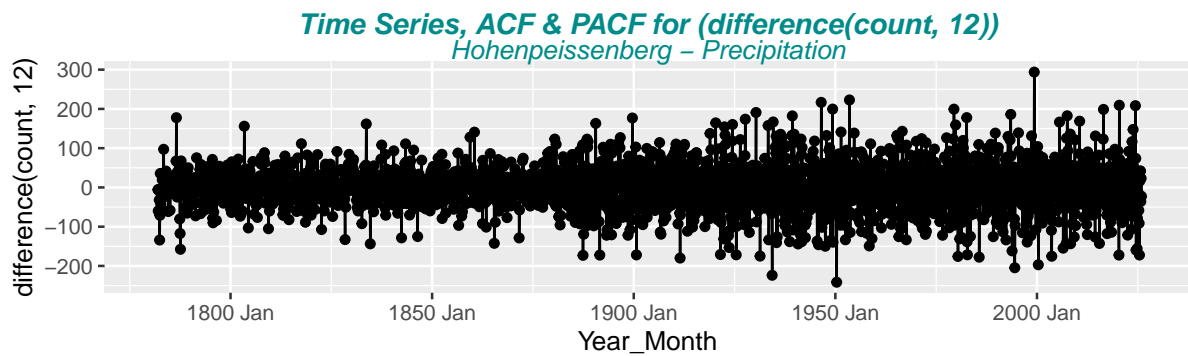
```
#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum      Mean
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature 0.440 0.000150
```



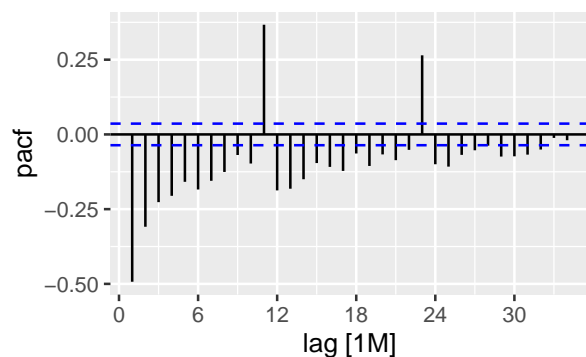
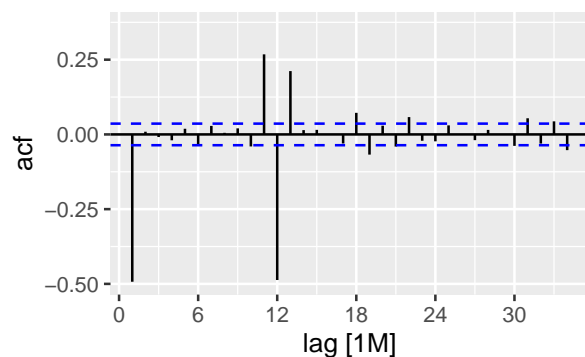
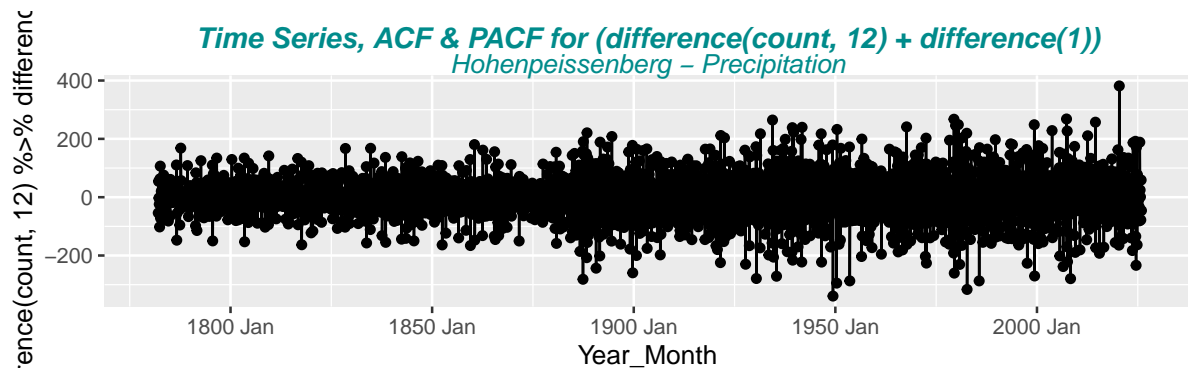
```
#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum  Mean
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation 225987. 76.9
```



```
#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum  Mean
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation 84.6 0.0289
```



```
#> # A tibble: 1 x 4
#> # Groups:   City [1]
#>   City      Measure      Sum      Mean
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation -17.0 -0.00581
```



## 2 Exponential Smoothing (ETS) Forecasting Models

Forecasts produced using exponential smoothing methods are weighted averages of past observations, with the weights decaying exponentially as the observations get older.

The parameters are estimated by maximising the “likelihood”. The likelihood is the probability of the data arising from the specified model. AIC, AICc and BIC can be used here to determine which of the ETS models is most appropriate for a given time series (see output `glance(fit_ets)`).

The model selection is based on recognising key components of the time series (trend and seasonal) and the way in which these enter the smoothing method (e.g., in an additive, damped or multiplicative manner).

- Mauna Loa  $CO_2$  data best Models: ETS(M,A,A) & ETS(A,A,A)
- Basel Temperature data best Models: ETS(A,N,A), ETS(A,A,A), ETS(A,Ad,A) (close together). Best Forecast accuracy is with ETS(A,A,A), ETS(A,Ad,A).
- Basel Precipitation data best Models: ETS(A,N,A), ETS(A,Ad,A), ETS(A,A,A) (close together). Best Forecast accuracy is with ETS(A,A,A), ETS(A,Ad,A), ETS(A,N,A),

Trend term “N” for Basel Temperature/Precipitation corresponds to a “pure” exponential smoothing which results in a slope  $\beta = 0$ . This results in a forecast predicting a constant level. This does not fit to the result of the STL decomposition. Therefore best model choice is **ETS(A,A,A)**.

### Method Selection

*Error term:* either additive (“A”) or multiplicative (“M”).

Both methods provide identical point forecasts, but different prediction intervals and different likelihoods. AIC & BIC are able to select between the error types because they are based on likelihood.

Nevertheless, difference is for

- Mauna Loa  $CO_2$  not relevant and AIC/AICc/BIC values are only a little bit smaller for multiplicative errors. The prediction interval plots are fully overlapping.
- Basel Temperature AIC/AICc/BIC of additive error types are much better than the multiplicative ones.
- Basel Precipitation AIC/AICc/BIC of additive error types are much better than the multiplicative ones.

Note: For Basel Temperature and Precipitation Forecast plots the models ETS\_MAdA, ETS\_MMA, ETS\_MMA, ETS\_MNA are to be taken out since forecasts with multiplicative errors are exploding (forecast > 3 years impossible !!)

Therefore finally **Error term = “A”** is chosen in general.

*Trend term:* either none (“N”), additive (“A”), multiplicative (“M”) or damped variants (“Ad”, “Md”).

Note: Mauna Loa  $CO_2$  model ETS(A,Ad,A) fit plot shows to strong damping. For Basel Temperature model ETS(A,N,A) and ETS(A,Ad,A) are providing more or less the same forecast. This means that forecast remains on constant level since Trend “N” means “pure” exponential smoothing without trend (see above).

Therefore finally **Trend term = “A”** is chosen in general.

*Seasonal term:* either none (“N”), additive (“A”) or multiplicative (“M”).

For  $CO_2$  and Temperature Data we have a clear seasonal pattern and seasonal term adds always a (more or less) fix amount on level and trend component. Therefore “A” additive term is chosen. For Precipitation the seasonal pattern is only slight. Indeed, a multiplicative seasonal term results in “exploding” forecasts.

Since monthly data are strongly seasonal **seasonal term “A”** is chosen.



## 2.1 ETS Models and their componentes

ETS model with automatically selected  $ETS(A|M, N|A|M, N|A|M)$

```
#> [1] "model(ETS(count)) => provides default / best automatically chosen model"
#> # A mable: 2 x 3
#> # Key:      City, Measure [2]
#>   City      Measure      ETS
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <model>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature <ETS(A,N,A)>
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation <ETS(M,N,M)>
#> [1] "Hohenpeissenberg Temperature"
#> Series: count
#> Model: ETS(A,N,A)
#> Smoothing parameters:
#>   alpha = 0.02275054
#>   gamma = 0.000100033
#>
#> Initial states:
#>   l[0]      s[0]      s[-1]      s[-2]      s[-3]      s[-4]      s[-5]      s[-6]
#> 7.248062 -6.847594 -4.16179 1.008964 4.686353 8.417777 8.507015 6.738792
#>   s[-7]      s[-8]      s[-9]      s[-10]      s[-11]
#> 3.218513 -1.250983 -4.580917 -7.595268 -8.140861
#>
#> sigma^2: 4.109
#>
#>   AIC      AICc      BIC
#> 5770.405 5771.087 5839.094
#> [1] "Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation"
#> Series: count
#> Model: ETS(M,N,M)
#> Smoothing parameters:
#>   alpha = 0.01455169
#>   gamma = 0.0001004975
#>
#> Initial states:
#>   l[0]      s[0]      s[-1]      s[-2]      s[-3]      s[-4]      s[-5]      s[-6]
#> 114.4223 0.6580902 0.79261 0.7729174 1.038345 1.629733 1.534146 1.533975
#>   s[-7]      s[-8]      s[-9]      s[-10]      s[-11]
#> 1.340229 0.8028894 0.6359576 0.6092697 0.6518372
#>
#> sigma^2: 0.2165
#>
#>   AIC      AICc      BIC
#> 10175.86 10176.54 10244.55
#> # A tibble: 2 x 8
#>   City      Measure      .model      AIC      AICc      BIC      MSE      MAE
#>   <chr>      <fct>      <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS      5770.    5771.    5839.     4.03    1.60
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS      10176.   10177.   10245.    2051.     0.360
```

Fit of different pre-defined  $ETS(A|M, N|A|M, N|A|M)$  models

Model Selection by Information Criterion - lowest AIC, AICc, BIC

Best model fit with

- CV, AIC, AICc and BIC with the lowest values
- Adjusted  $R^2$  the model with the highest value.

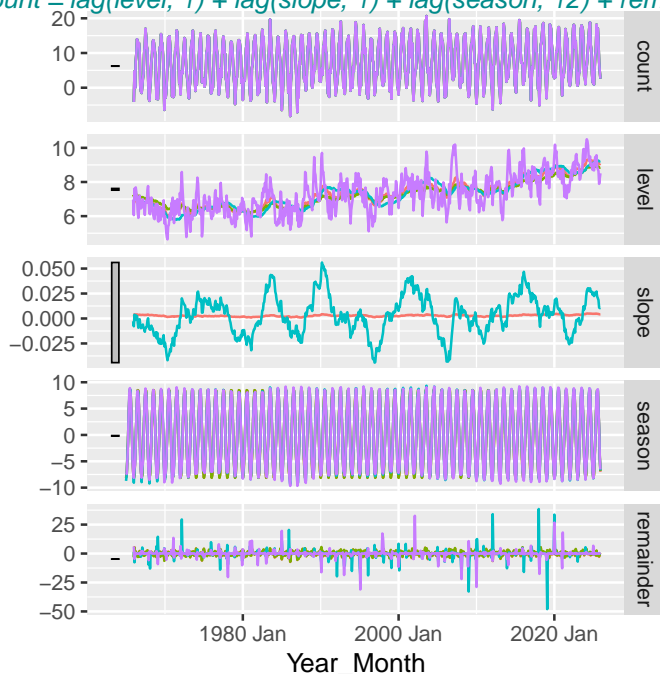
```
#> # A tibble: 16 x 9
#>   City      Measure      .model      AIC      AICc      BIC      MSE      AMSE      MAE
```

```

#>   <chr>           <fct>       <chr>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_A~ 5768. 5768. 5845. 3.99e0 3.98e0 1.58
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_A~ 5770. 5771. 5839. 4.03e0 4.02e0 1.60
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_A~ 5771. 5772. 5854. 4.00e0 3.99e0 1.59
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_A~ 5774. 5775. 5852. 4.02e0 4.02e0 1.60
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_M~ 7397. 7398. 7475. 1.37e1 1.42e1 0.486
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_M~ 8769. 8770. 8838. 5.01e0 5.06e0 1.29
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_M~ 9021. 9022. 9099. 4.54e0 4.54e0 1.53
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_M~ 9160. 9161. 9243. 4.78e0 4.92e0 1.33
#> 9 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_M~ 10182. 10182. 10250. 2.04e3 2.04e3 0.356
#> 10 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_M~ 10198. 10199. 10280. 2.03e3 2.03e3 0.360
#> 11 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_M~ 10226. 10227. 10304. 2.10e3 2.10e3 0.365
#> 12 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_M~ 10226. 10227. 10304. 2.09e3 2.08e3 0.367
#> 13 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_A~ 10249. 10250. 10331. 2.01e3 2.01e3 33.9
#> 14 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_A~ 10251. 10251. 10319. 2.03e3 2.03e3 34.3
#> 15 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_A~ 10267. 10267. 10344. 2.06e3 2.06e3 34.4
#> 16 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitat~ ETS_A~ 10268. 10269. 10346. 2.07e3 2.06e3 34.4

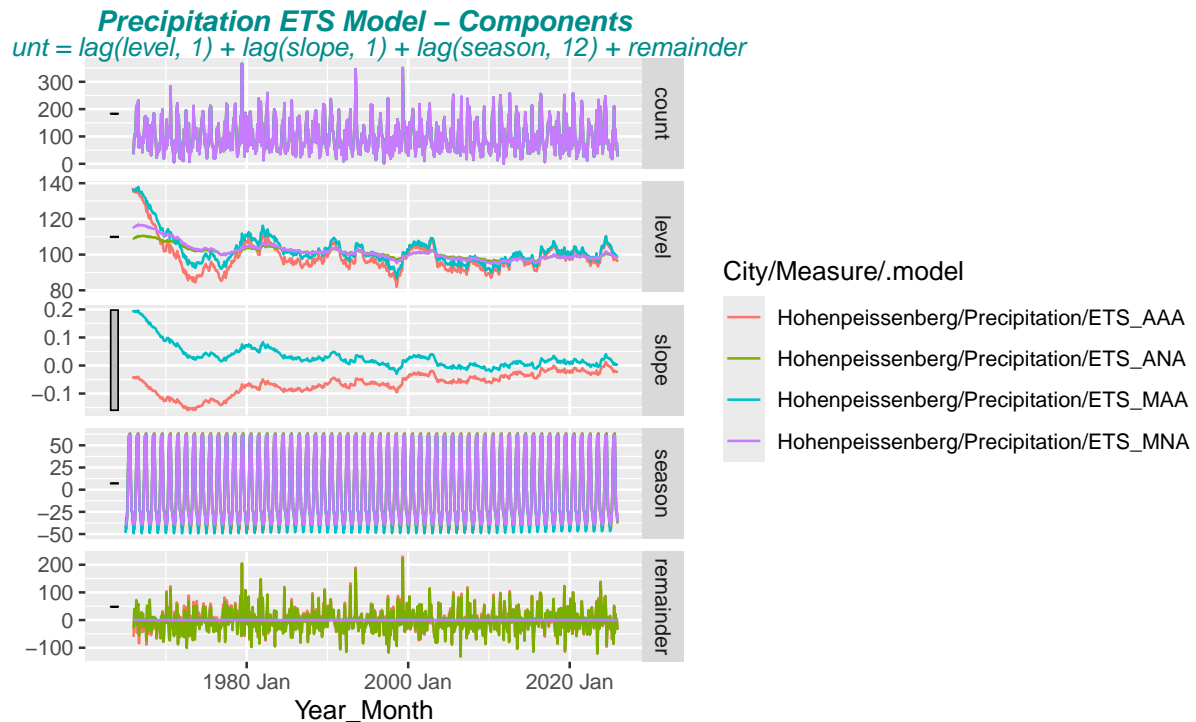
```

**Temperature ETS Model – Components**  
 $\text{count} = \text{lag}(\text{level}, 1) + \text{lag}(\text{slope}, 1) + \text{lag}(\text{season}, 12) + \text{remainder}$



City/Measure/.model

— Hohenpeissenberg/Temperature/ETS\_AAA  
— Hohenpeissenberg/Temperature/ETS\_ANA  
— Hohenpeissenberg/Temperature/ETS\_MAA  
— Hohenpeissenberg/Temperature/ETS\_MNA



### 2.1.1 Residual Accuracy with one-step-ahead fitted residuals - check RMSE, MAE

Residual accuracy can be computed directly from models as the one-step-ahead fitted residuals are available. Select forecast models that minimises for lowest

- MAE (Mean absolute error, will lead to forecasts of the median) and
- RMSE (Root mean squared error, lead to forecasts of the mean)

```
#> # A tibble: 16 x 7
#>   City      Measure .model .type      ME RMSE  MAE
#>   <chr>    <fct>    <chr> <chr>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AMA Training 0.0516 2.00 1.58
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAaA Training 0.140 2.00 1.59
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAA Training 0.00629 2.01 1.60
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_ANA Training 0.0982 2.01 1.60
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MAA Training 0.00880 2.13 1.69
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MaDa Training 0.00312 2.19 1.75
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MNA Training 0.00830 2.24 1.80
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MMA Training -2.45 3.70 2.88
#> 9 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAaA Training -0.575 44.8 33.9
#> 10 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_ANA Training -2.12 45.1 34.3
#> 11 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MaDa Training -1.56 45.1 34.3
#> 12 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MNA Training -2.53 45.2 34.5
#> 13 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AMA Training 0.574 45.4 34.4
#> 14 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAA Training 0.181 45.5 34.4
#> 15 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MMA Training -1.75 45.7 34.7
#> 16 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MAA Training -2.74 45.8 35.1
```

### 2.1.2 Ljung-Box Test - independence/white noise of the forecasts residuals

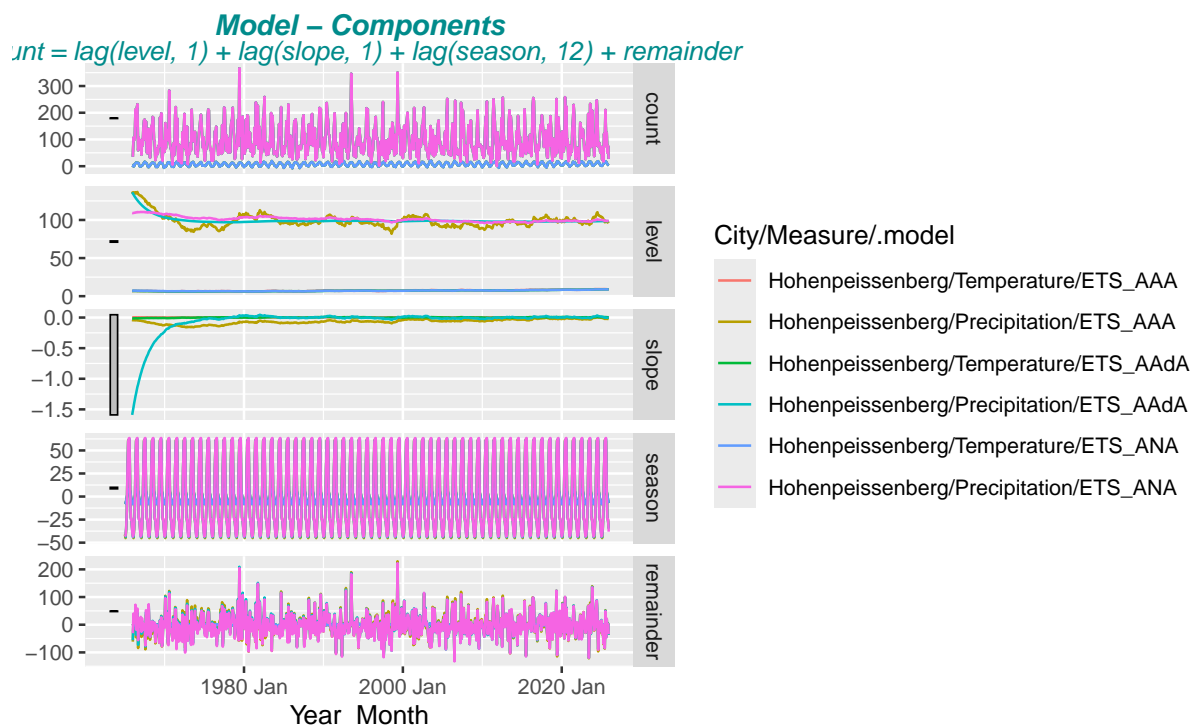
```
#> Null Hypothesis of independence/white noise for residuals - for p < 0.05: reject H_0
#> # A tibble: 16 x 5
#>   City      Measure .model lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr>    <fct>    <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_ANA 21.5 0.429
```

```

#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AMA 22.3 0.384
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAdA 23.1 0.339
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAA 24.5 0.268
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MMA 25.5 0.227
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MAA 25.9 0.210
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_ANA 26.5 0.188
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MNA 26.6 0.185
#> 9 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_MAdA 26.8 0.179
#> 10 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAdA 27.0 0.172
#> 11 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AMA 27.2 0.165
#> 12 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAA 27.2 0.164
#> 13 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MAA 33.3 0.0432
#> 14 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MAdA 44.9 0.00178
#> 15 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MNA 56.3 0.0000449
#> 16 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_MMA 377. 0

```

### 2.1.3 ETS Models - components of ETS(A,N,A), ETS(A,A,A), ETS(A,Ad,A), models



### 2.1.4 Forecast Accuracy with Training/Test Data

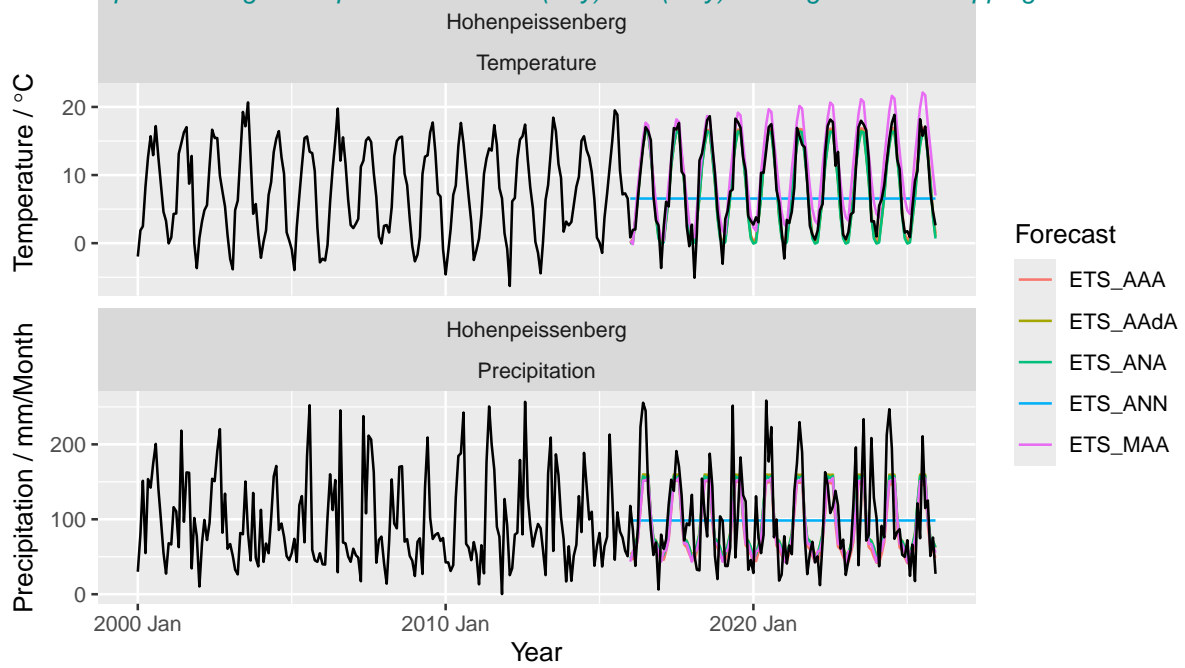
```

#> # A tibble: 10 x 7
#>   .model City Measure .type ME RMSE MAE
#>   <chr> <chr> <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 ETS_AAA Hohenpeissenberg Temperature Test 0.374 1.89 1.51
#> 2 ETS_AAdA Hohenpeissenberg Temperature Test 0.715 2.00 1.63
#> 3 ETS_ANA Hohenpeissenberg Temperature Test 0.830 2.05 1.69
#> 4 ETS_MAA Hohenpeissenberg Temperature Test -2.33 3.24 2.73
#> 5 ETS_ANN Hohenpeissenberg Temperature Test 2.16 6.67 5.69
#> 6 ETS_AAdA Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation Test 4.37 47.3 37.3
#> 7 ETS_ANA Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation Test 5.79 47.5 37.3
#> 8 ETS_MAA Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation Test 10.1 48.5 38.0
#> 9 ETS_AAA Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation Test 14.7 49.2 38.0
#> 10 ETS_ANN Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation Test 3.21 62.9 50.7

```

### Accuracy of Monthly Forecasts

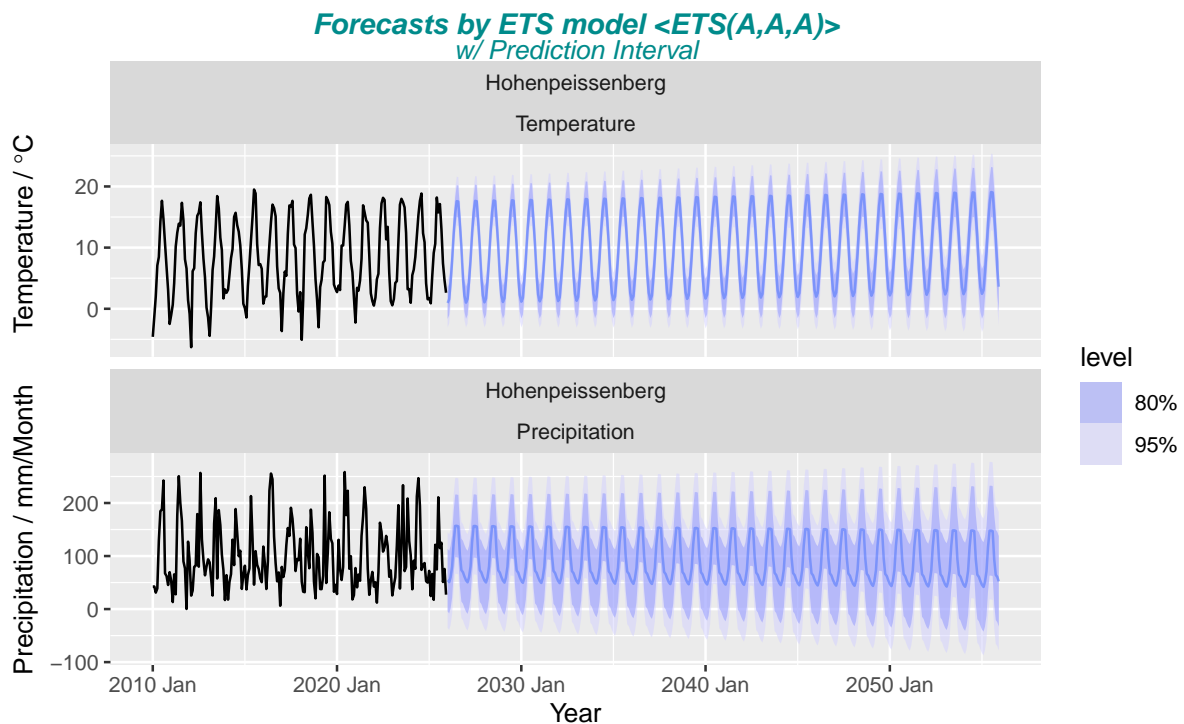
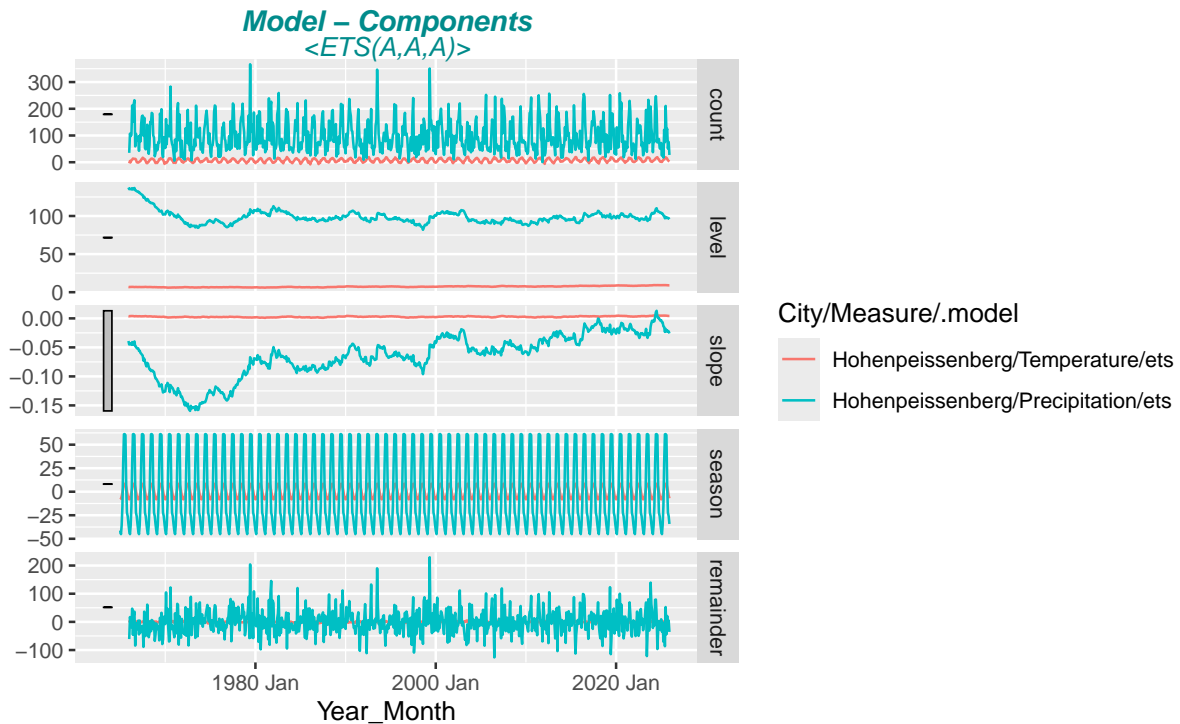
Hohenpeissenberg – Temperature note:  $ET(Axy)/ETS(Mxy)$  are in general overlapping



## 2.2 Forecasting with selected ETS model $\langle \text{ETS}(A,A,A) \rangle$ , $\langle \text{ETS}(A,A,A) \rangle$

### 2.2.1 Forecast Plot of selected ETS model

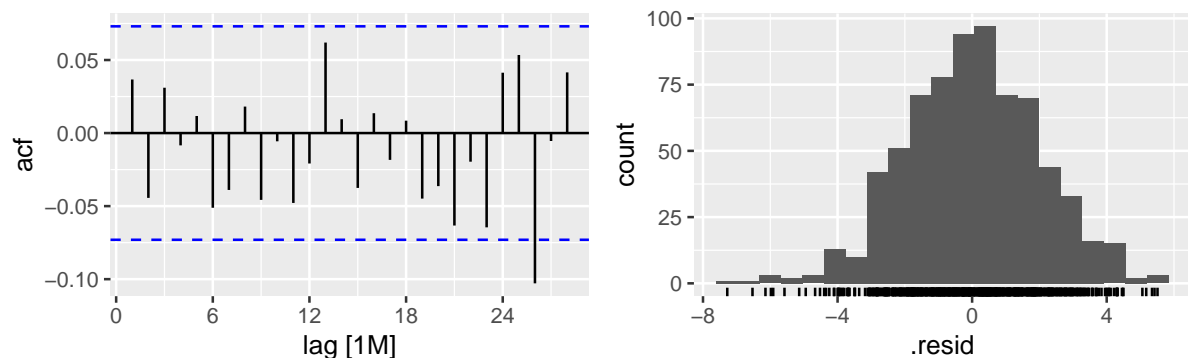
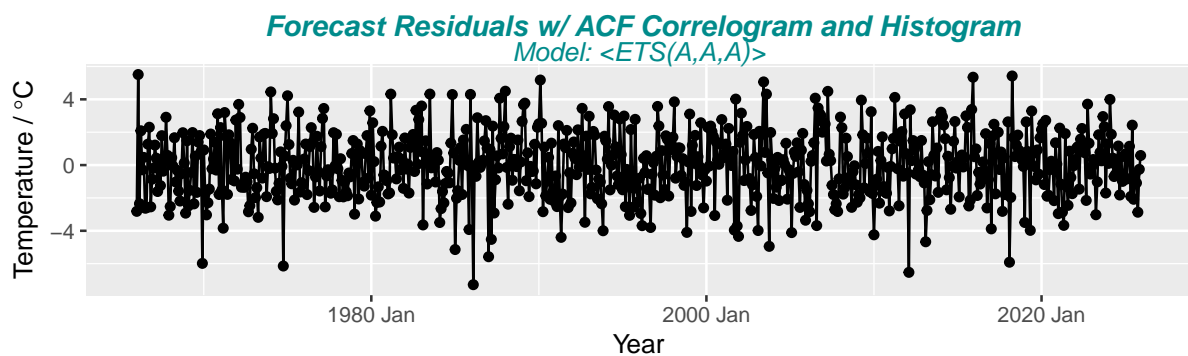
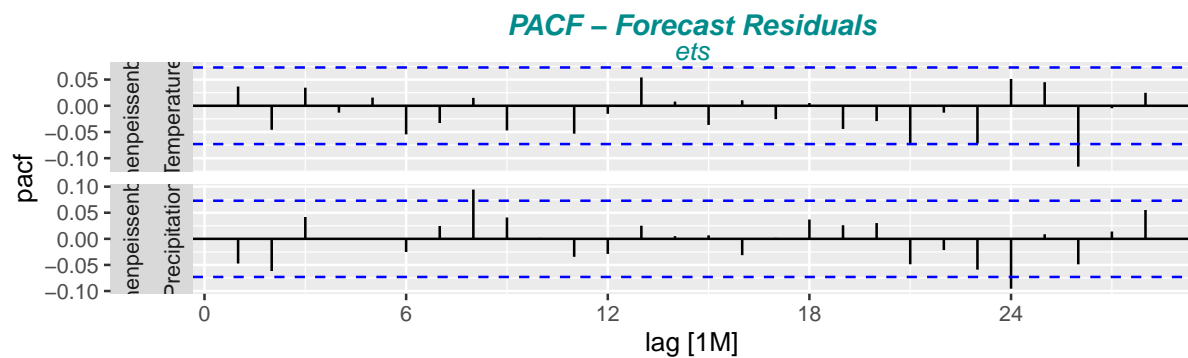
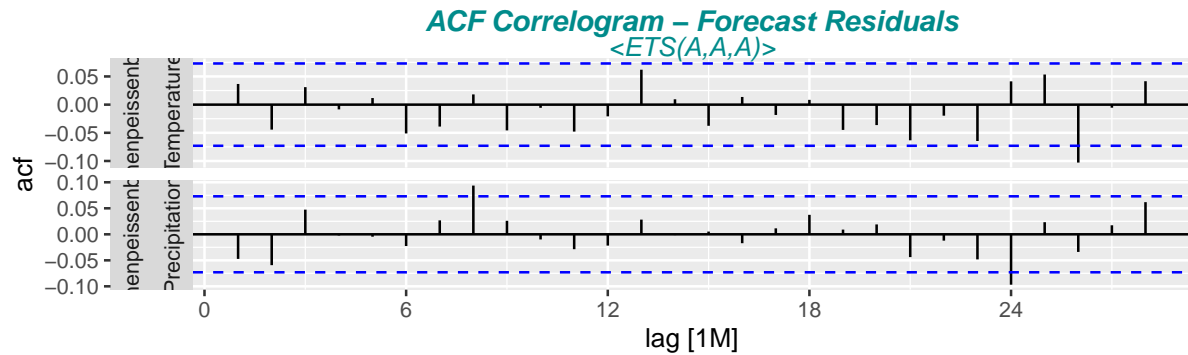
```
#> Provide model coefficients by report(fit_model)
#> # A tibble: 2 x 11
#>   City      Measure .model sigma2 log_lik    AIC    AICc    BIC    MSE    AMSE    MAE
#>   <chr>    <fct>    <chr>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenp~ Temper~ ets     4.12e0 -2870.  5774.  5775.  5852.  4.02e0  4.02e0  1.60
#> 2 Hohenp~ Precip~ ets     2.12e3 -5117. 10268. 10269. 10346.  2.07e3  2.06e3 34.4
```

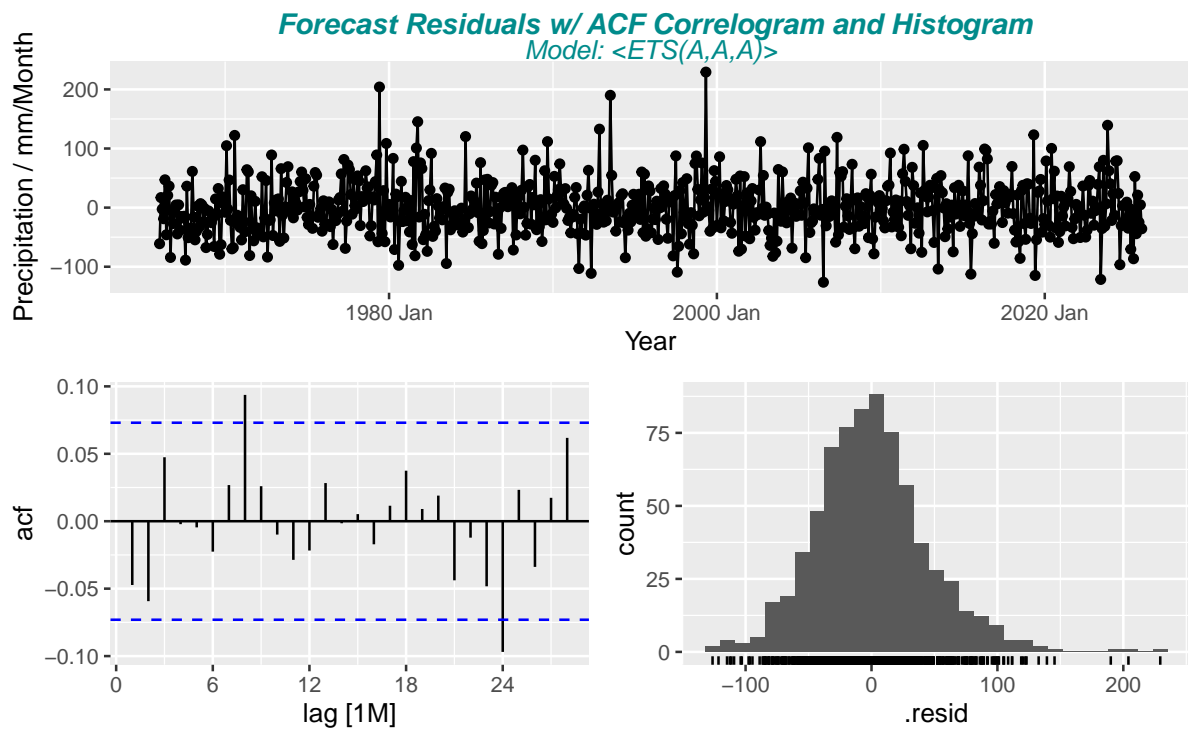


## 2.2.2 Residual Stationarity

Required checks to be ready for forecasting:

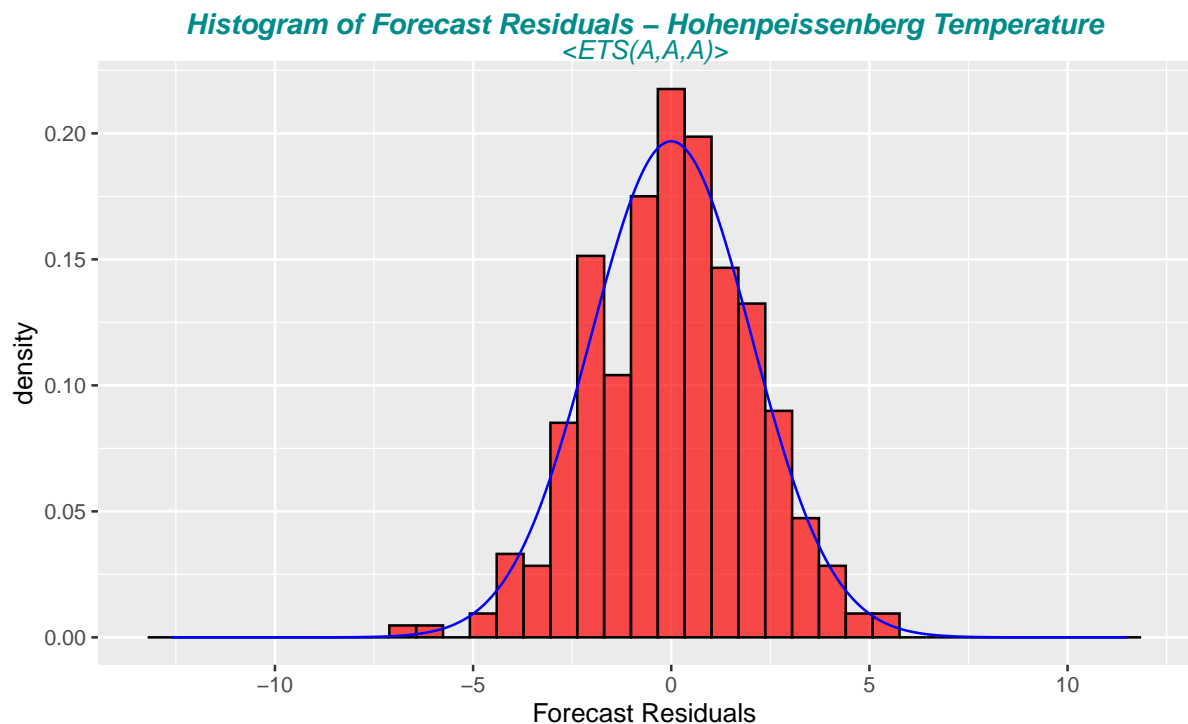
- ACF Forecast Residual: all spikes are within the significance limits, so the residuals appear to be white noise
- The Ljung-Box test also shows that the residuals have no remaining autocorrelations
- Forecast Residuals are more or less normally distributed with roughly centred on zero



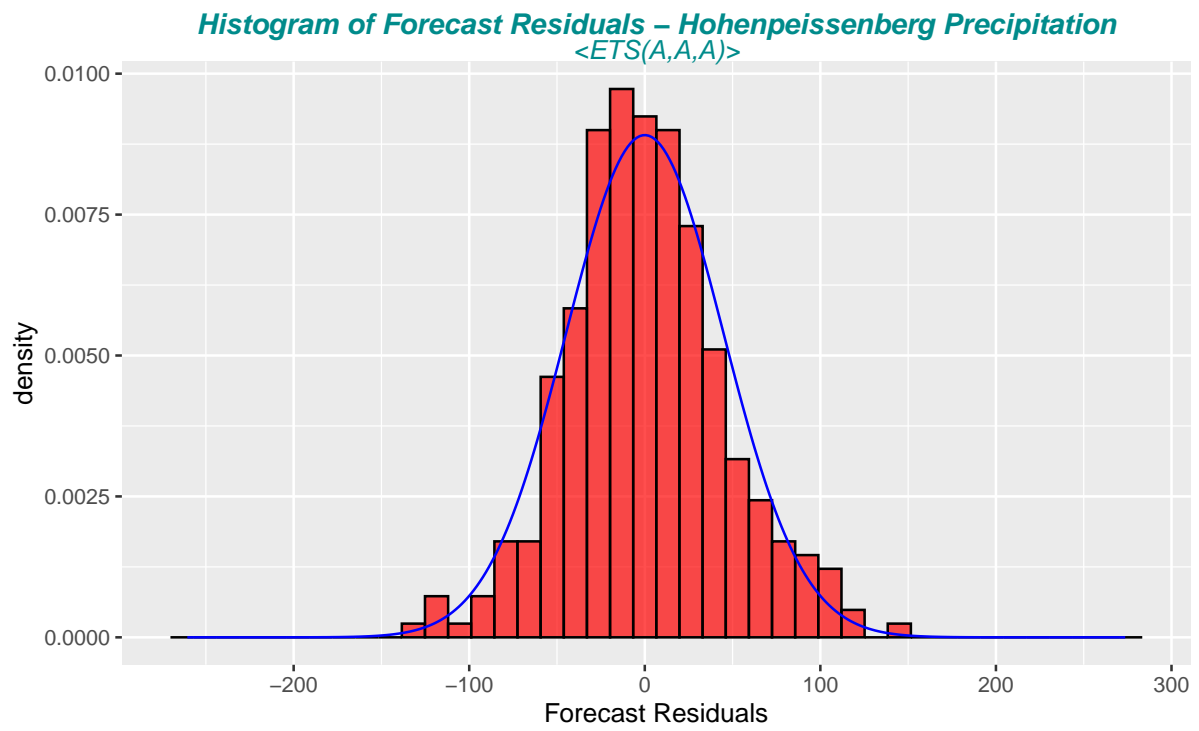


### 2.2.3 Ljung-Box Test and Histogram of forecast residuals with overlaid normal curve

```
#> Null Hypothesis of independence/white noise for residuals - for p < 0.05: reject H_0
#> # A tibble: 2 x 5
#>   City      Measure .model lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr>      <fct>   <chr>   <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ets      23.0    0.519
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ets      23.1    0.515
```







### 3 ARIMA Forecasting Models - AutoRegressive-Integrated Moving Average

Exponential smoothing and ARIMA (AutoRegressive-Integrated Moving Average) models are the two most widely used approaches to time series forecasting, and provide complementary approaches to the problem.

While exponential smoothing models are based on a description of the trend and seasonality in the data, ARIMA models aim to describe the autocorrelations in the data.

#### 3.1 Seasonal ARIMA models

Non-seasonal ARIMA models are generally denoted  $ARIMA(p,d,q)$  where parameters  $p$ ,  $d$ , and  $q$  are non-negative integers, \*  $p$  is the order (number of time lags) of the autoregressive model \*  $d$  is the degree of differencing (number of times the data have had past values subtracted) \*  $q$  is the order of the moving-average model of past forecast errors .

The value of  $d$  has an effect on the prediction intervals — the higher the value of  $d$ , the more rapidly the prediction intervals increase in size. For  $d=0$ , the point forecasts are equal to the mean of the data and the long-term forecast standard deviation will go to the standard deviation of the historical data, so the prediction intervals will all be essentially the same.

Seasonal ARIMA models are usually denoted  $ARIMA(p,d,q)(P,D,Q)m$ , where  $m$  refers to the number of periods in each season, and the uppercase  $P,D,Q$  refer to the autoregressive, differencing, and moving average terms for the seasonal part of the ARIMA model.

*ARIMA(pdq)(PDQ) model with automatically selected (pdq)(PDQ) values*

**Fit of different pre-defined *ARIMA(pdq)(PDQ)* models**

```
#> Model Selection by Information Criterion - lowest AIC, AICc, BIC
#> choose p, q parameter accordingly - but only for same d, D values
#> # A tibble: 8 x 8
#>   City          Measure      .model      sigma2 log_lik    AIC  AICc    BIC
#>   <chr>         <fct>      <chr>      <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_011    4.11  -1523.  3055.  3055.  3073.
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_011    4.11  -1523.  3055.  3055.  3073.
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_211_011    4.11  -1523.  3056.  3056.  3079.
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_012    4.11  -1523.  3057.  3057.  3080.
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_112    4.12  -1523.  3058.  3058.  3086.
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_210    5.26  -1594.  3196.  3196.  3214.
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_200_011    5.74  -1624.  3255.  3255.  3274.
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_110_c    5.75  -1623.  3257.  3257.  3280.
#> # A tibble: 8 x 8
#>   City          Measure      .model      sigma2 log_lik    AIC  AICc    BIC
#>   <chr>         <fct>      <chr>      <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_011    2087.  -3727.  7462.  7463.  7481.
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_011    2087.  -3727.  7463.  7463.  7481.
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_211_011    2083.  -3726.  7463.  7463.  7485.
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_012    2092.  -3727.  7464.  7465.  7487.
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_112    2090.  -3727.  7466.  7466.  7494.
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_200_011    3255.  -3868.  7743.  7743.  7762.
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_100_110~    3260.  -3868.  7745.  7745.  7768.
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_200_110~    3260.  -3868.  7745.  7745.  7768.
```

Good models are obtained by minimising the AIC, AICc or BIC (see `glance(fit_arima)` output). The preference is to use the AICc to select  $p$  and  $q$ .

These information criteria tend not to be good guides to selecting the appropriate order of differencing ( $d$ ) of a model, but only for selecting the values of  $p$  and  $q$ . This is because the differencing changes the data on which the likelihood is computed, making the AIC values between models with different orders of differencing not comparable.

### 3.1.1 Residual Accuracy with one-step-ahead fitted residuals - check RMSE, MAE

Residual accuracy can be computed directly from models as the one-step-ahead fitted residuals are available. Select forecast models that minimises for lowest

- MAE (Mean absolute error, will lead to forecasts of the median) and
- RMSE (Root mean squared error, lead to forecasts of the mean)

```
#> # A tibble: 8 x 7
#>   City          Measure .model      .type      ME  RMSE  MAE
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr>    <chr>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_011 Training 0.127   2.00  1.57
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_012 Training 0.127   2.00  1.57
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_211_011 Training 0.127   2.00  1.57
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_011 Training 0.127   2.00  1.57
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_112 Training 0.127   2.00  1.57
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_210 Training 0.0756  2.27  1.81
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_110_c Training 0.00110  2.37  1.87
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_200_110_c Training 0.00110  2.37  1.87
#> # A tibble: 8 x 7
#>   City          Measure .model      .type      ME  RMSE  MAE
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr>    <chr>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_211_011 Training  1.98  45.1  33.8
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_112 Training  1.88  45.1  33.8
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_011 Training  1.88  45.2  33.8
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_011 Training  1.87  45.2  33.9
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_012 Training  1.88  45.2  33.9
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_001_002 Training -0.113  54.3  42.3
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_100_110_c Training -0.128  56.5  42.4
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_200_110_c Training -0.128  56.5  42.4
```

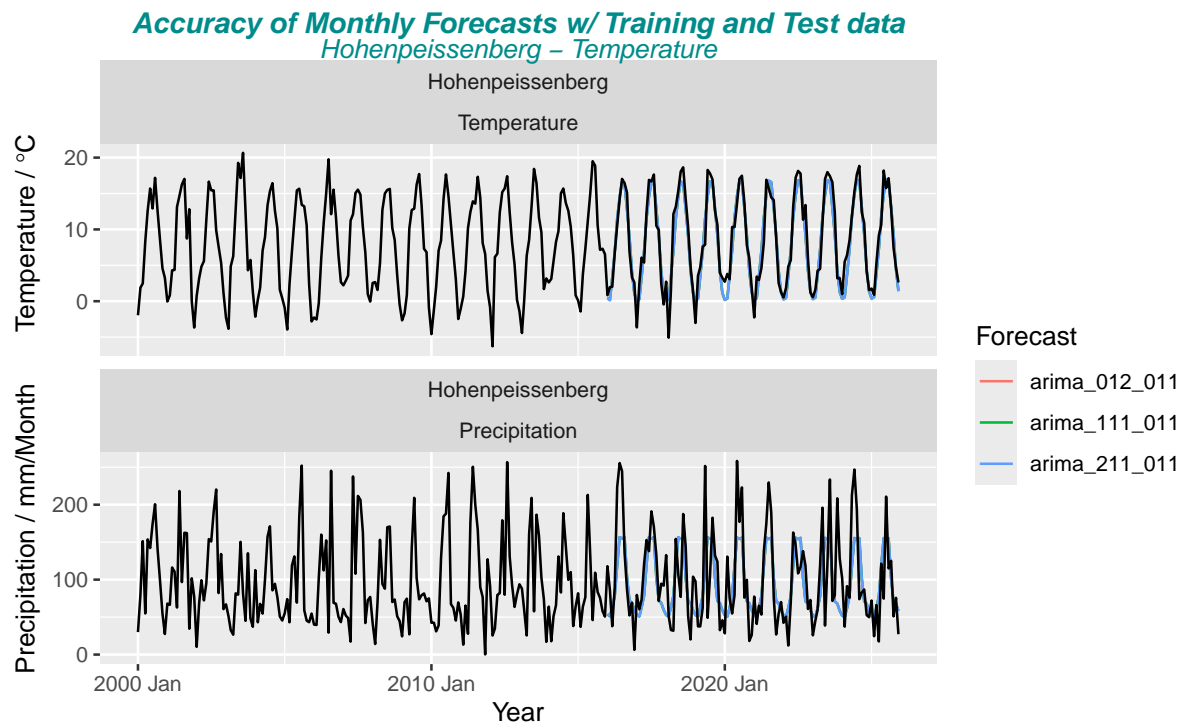
### 3.1.2 Ljung-Box Test - independence/white noise of the forecasts residuals

```
#> Null Hypothesis of independence/white noise for residuals - for p < 0.05: reject H_0
#> # A tibble: 8 x 5
#>   City          Measure .model      lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_211_011    23.7  3.10e- 1
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_112    24.0  2.94e- 1
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_012_011    24.2  2.81e- 1
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_011    24.4  2.76e- 1
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_012    24.4  2.76e- 1
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_210    47.5  8.01e- 4
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_200_011    97.7  7.41e-12
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_100_110_c    97.8  6.96e-12
#> # A tibble: 8 x 5
#>   City          Measure .model      lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_211_011    24.0    0.292
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_112    24.6    0.266
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_011    25.7    0.216
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_011    25.8    0.215
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_012    26.0    0.208
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_001_002   236.      0
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_010_110   358.      0
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_012_010   182.      0
```

### 3.1.3 Forecast Accuracy with Training/Test Data

```
#> # A tibble: 6 x 7
```

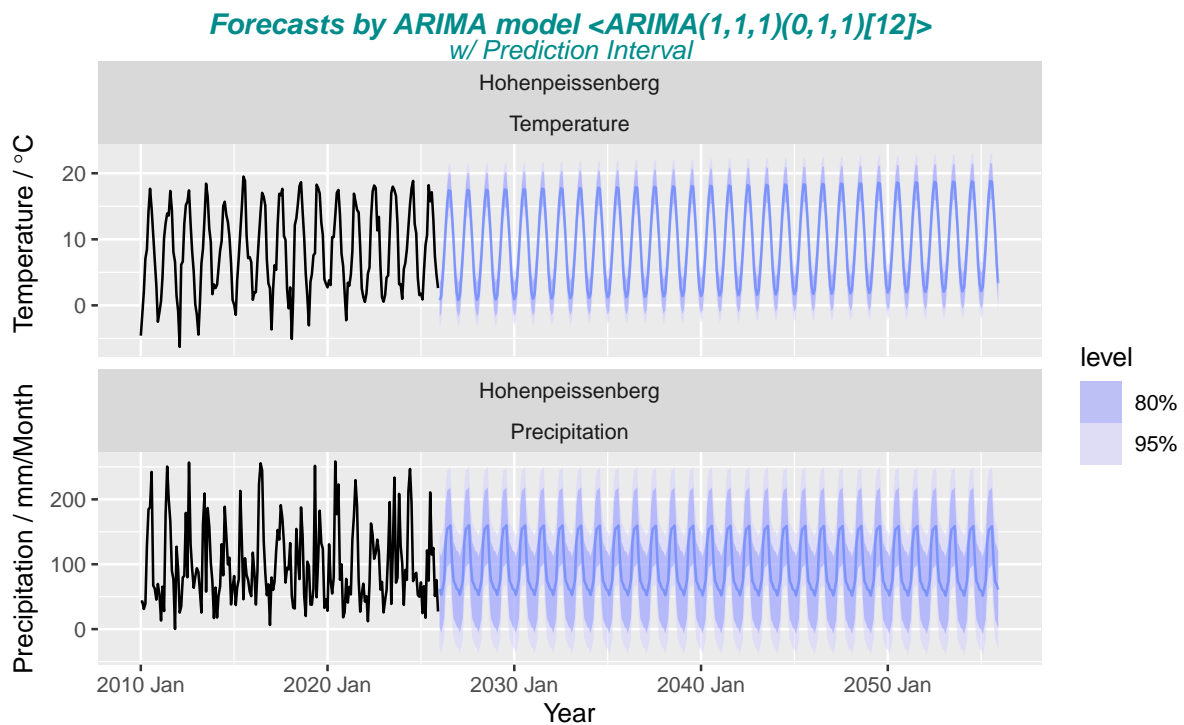
#>	.model	City	Measure	.type	ME	RMSE	MAE
#>	<chr>	<chr>	<fct>	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
#> 1	arima_111_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	Test	0.501	1.92	1.54
#> 2	arima_012_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	Test	0.502	1.92	1.54
#> 3	arima_211_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	Test	0.505	1.92	1.55
#> 4	arima_211_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	Test	7.53	47.5	37.1
#> 5	arima_012_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	Test	7.55	47.5	37.2
#> 6	arima_111_011	Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	Test	7.55	47.5	37.2



## 3.2 Temperature, Precipitation - Forecasting with selected ARIMA model <ARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]>, <ARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]>

### 3.2.1 Forecast Plot of selected ARIMA model

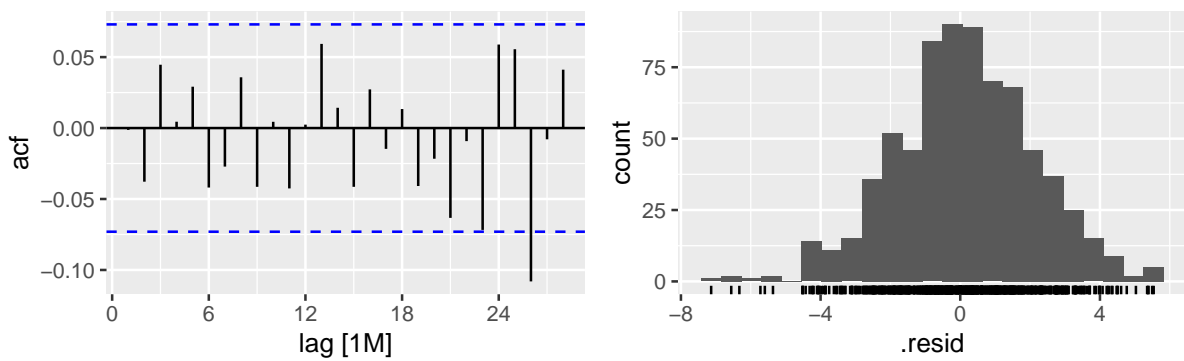
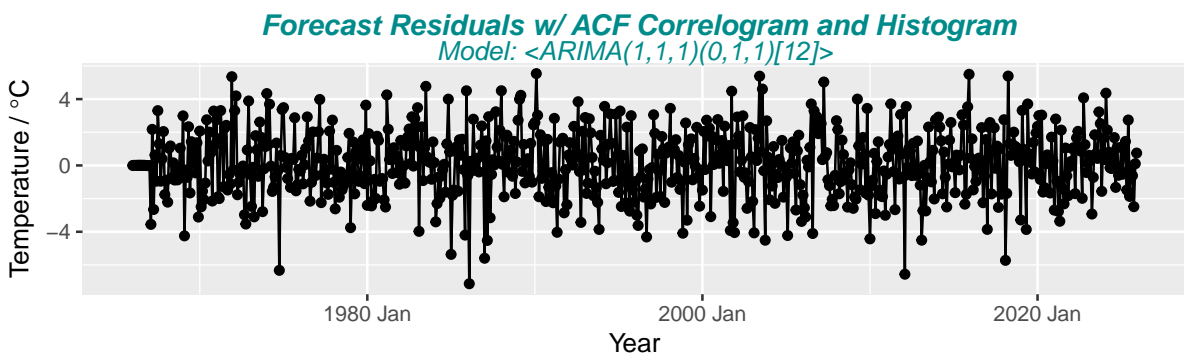
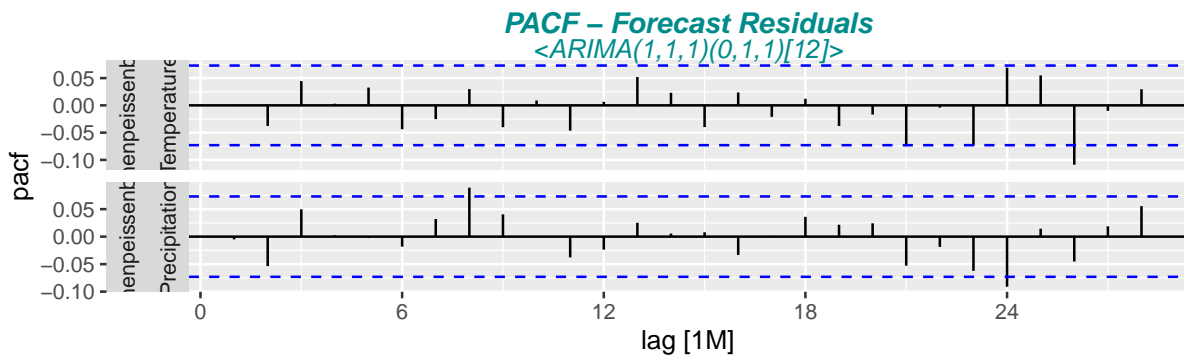
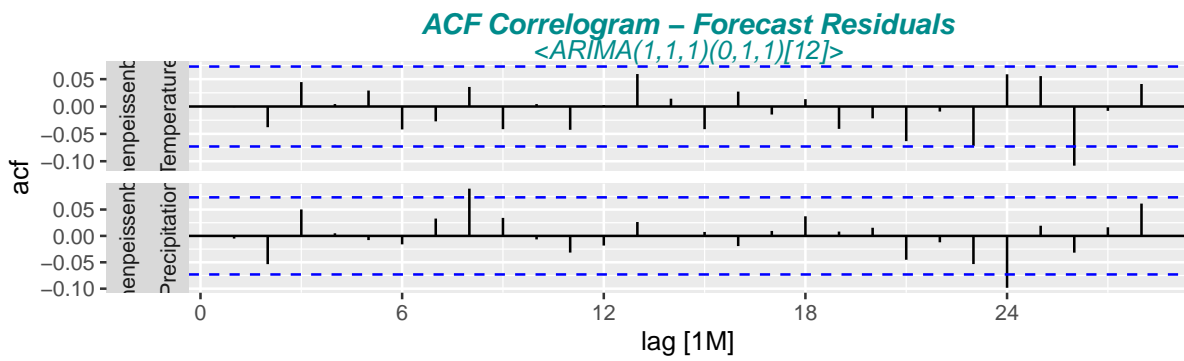
```
#> Provide model coefficients by report(fit_model)
#> # A tibble: 2 x 10
#>   City      Measure .model sigma2 log_lik  AIC  AICc  BIC ar_roots ma_roots
#>   <chr>      <fct>   <chr>   <dbl>   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <list>   <list>
#> 1 Hohenpeisse~ Temper~ arima  4.11e0 -1523. 3055. 3055. 3073. <cpl>   <cpl>
#> 2 Hohenpeisse~ Precip~ arima  2.09e3 -3727. 7463. 7463. 7481. <cpl>   <cpl>
```

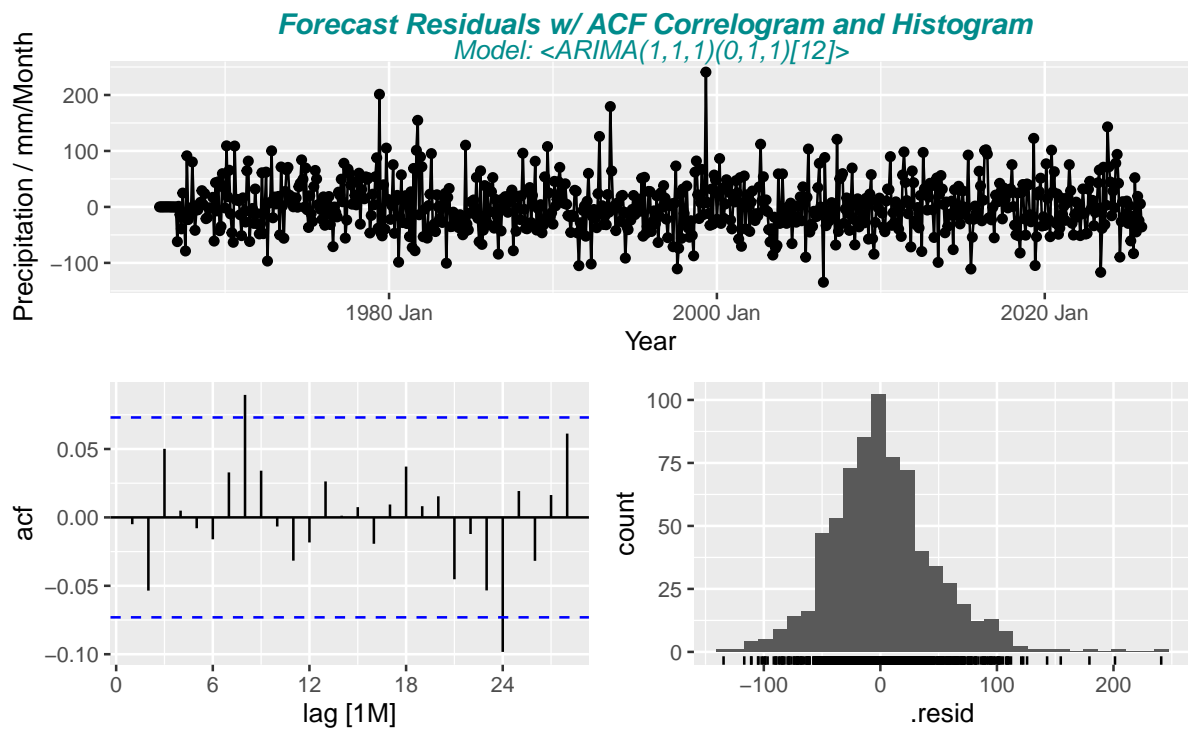


### 3.2.2 Residual Stationarity

Required checks to be ready for forecasting:

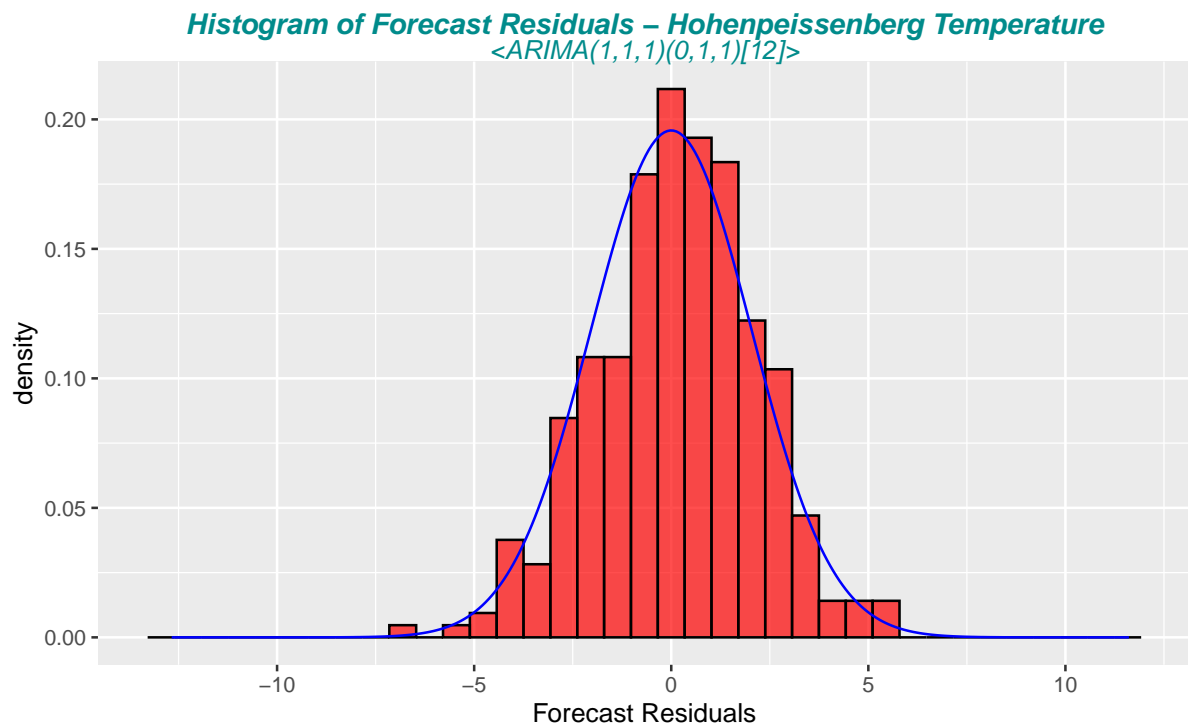
- ACF Forecast Residual: all spikes are within the significance limits, so the residuals appear to be white noise
- The Ljung-Box test also shows that the residuals have no remaining autocorrelations
- Forecast Residuals are more or less normally distributed with roughly centred on zero

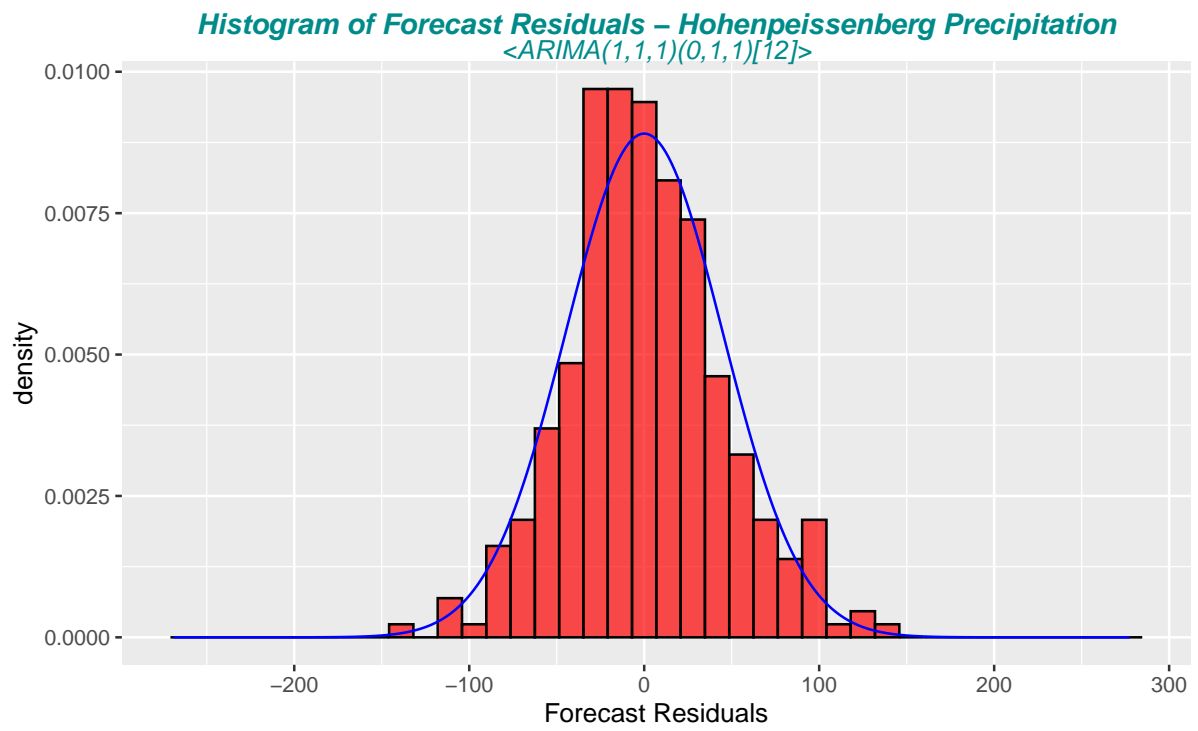




### 3.2.3 Ljung-Box Test and Histogram of forecast residuals with overlaid normal curve

```
#> Null Hypothesis of independence/white noise for residuals - for p < 0.05: reject H_0
#> # A tibble: 2 x 5
#>   City          Measure .model lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr>  <dbl>   <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima    19.2    0.572
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima    23.3    0.330
```







## 4 ARIMA vs ETS

In particular, all ETS models are non-stationary, while some ARIMA models are stationary.

The ETS models with seasonality or non-damped trend or both have two unit roots (i.e., they need two levels of differencing to make them stationary). All other ETS models have one unit root (they need one level of differencing to make them stationary).

We compare for the chosen ETS resp. ARIMA model the RMSE / MAE values. Lower values indicate a more accurate model based on the test set RMSE, ..., MASE.

- Residual Accuracy with one-step-ahead fitted residuals
- Forecast Accuracy with Training/Test Data

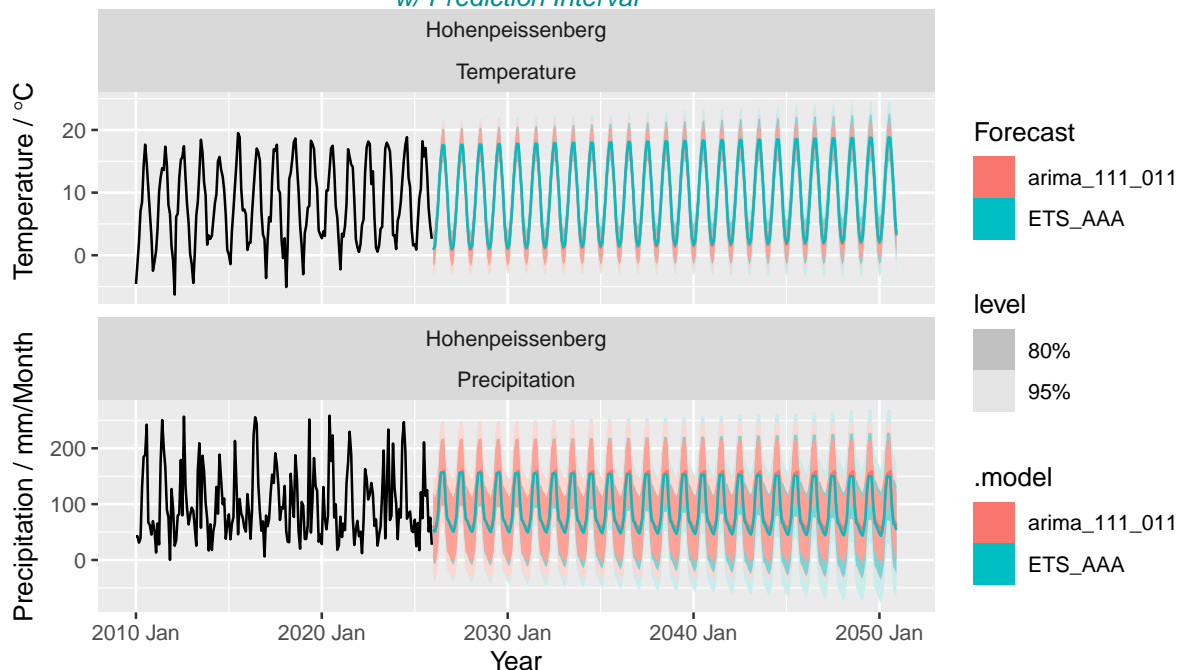
Note: a good fit to training data is never an indication that the model will forecast well. Therefore the values of the Forecast Accuracy are the more relevant one.

### 4.0.1 Comparing Residual and Forecast Accuracy of selected ETS and ARIMA model

```
#> # A tibble: 8 x 9
#>   City          Measure .model .type RMSE MAE MAPE MASE RMSSE
#>   <chr>         <fct>    <chr> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAA Test 1.89 1.51 31.8 0.684 0.675
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111_~ Test 1.92 1.54 32.7 0.699 0.686
#> 3 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima Trai~ 2.00 1.57 119. 0.710 0.712
#> 4 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ets Trai~ 2.01 1.60 133. 0.720 0.713
#> 5 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima Trai~ 45.2 33.9 106. 0.695 0.704
#> 6 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ets Trai~ 45.5 34.4 107. 0.707 0.709
#> 7 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111_~ Test 47.5 37.2 57.3 0.768 0.750
#> 8 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAA Test 49.2 38.0 52.8 0.786 0.777
```

### 4.0.2 Forecast Plot of selected ETS and ARIMA model

Forecasts by ETS <ETS(A,A,A)> and ARIMA model <ARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]>  
w/ Prediction Interval



Forecasts by ETS  $\langle ETS(A,A,A) \rangle$  and ARIMA model  $\langle ARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[12] \rangle$   
w/ Prediction Interval

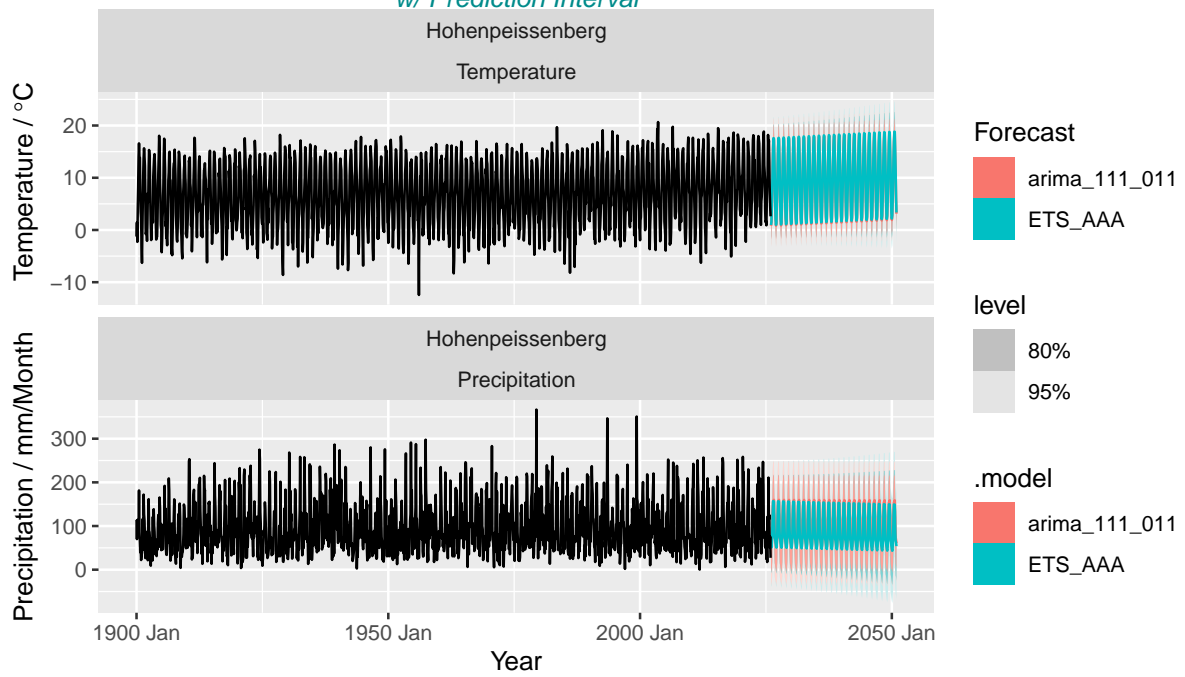


Table 1: Mean values for the given time periods; Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

Period_Time	Temperature	Precipitation
1781-1810	6.1	54.7
1811-1840	5.6	50.8
1841-1870	5.8	49.2
1871-1900	5.9	72.7
1901-1930	6.1	90.4
1931-1960	6.4	95.6
1961-1990	6.5	100.8
1991-2020	7.7	97.2
2021-2025	8.9	98.5

Table 2: Mean Yearly ARIMA and ETS Forecast values (next 25 years); Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

City	Measure	Year	ETS_AAA	arima_111_011
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2026	9.10	8.90
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2030	9.30	9.09
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2035	9.56	9.33
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2040	9.82	9.57
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2045	10.08	9.81
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2050	10.33	10.06
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2026	95.73	97.68
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2030	94.48	97.40
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2035	92.93	97.17
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2040	91.37	96.94
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2045	89.81	96.71
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2050	88.25	96.47

Table 3: Forecast increase/decrease over the next 25 years; Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

Measure	Year.x	Year.y	ETS.x	ARIMA.x	ETS.y	ARIMA.y	Delta_ETs	Delta_ARIMA
Temperature	2026	2050	9.10	8.90	10.33	10.06	1.23	1.16
Precipitation	2026	2050	95.73	97.68	88.25	96.47	-7.48	-1.21

Table 4: Forecast increase/decrease over the next 25 years; Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

Measure	Month	Year.x	Year.y	ETS.x	ARIMA.x	ETS.y	ARIMA.y	Delta_ETs	Delta_ARIMA
Temperature	Jan	2026	2050	0.95	0.80	2.18	1.92	1.23	1.12
Temperature	Feb	2026	2050	1.57	1.39	2.80	2.55	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Mrz	2026	2050	4.41	4.22	5.64	5.39	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Apr	2026	2050	7.83	7.70	9.06	8.86	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Mai	2026	2050	12.33	12.01	13.56	13.17	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Jun	2026	2050	15.65	15.64	16.88	16.80	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Jul	2026	2050	17.60	17.43	18.83	18.59	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Aug	2026	2050	17.53	17.29	18.76	18.46	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Sep	2026	2050	13.96	13.63	15.20	14.79	1.23	1.16

Measure	Month	Year.x	Year.y	ETS.x	ARIMA.x	ETS.y	ARIMA.y	Delta_ETS	Delta_ARIMA
Temperature	Okt	2026	2050	10.25	9.94	11.49	11.11	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Nov	2026	2050	4.99	4.77	6.23	5.93	1.23	1.16
Temperature	Dez	2026	2050	2.12	1.95	3.35	3.11	1.23	1.16
Precipitation	Jan	2026	2050	54.71	61.91	47.24	59.56	-7.48	-2.35
Precipitation	Feb	2026	2050	50.76	52.69	43.29	51.62	-7.48	-1.07
Precipitation	Mrz	2026	2050	60.13	62.74	52.66	61.62	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Apr	2026	2050	80.63	76.02	73.15	74.91	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Mai	2026	2050	126.11	135.27	118.63	134.16	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Jun	2026	2050	156.81	154.98	149.34	153.87	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Jul	2026	2050	156.96	156.93	149.48	155.82	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Aug	2026	2050	155.86	159.98	148.38	158.87	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Sep	2026	2050	102.41	104.94	94.93	103.83	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Okt	2026	2050	73.50	75.32	66.03	74.21	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Nov	2026	2050	69.53	69.36	62.05	68.25	-7.48	-1.11
Precipitation	Dez	2026	2050	61.33	62.08	53.85	60.97	-7.48	-1.11

## 5 Yearly Data Forecasts with ARIMA and ETS

For yearly data the seasonal monthly data are replaced by the yearly average data. Therefore the seasonal component of the ETS and ARIMA model are to be taken out.

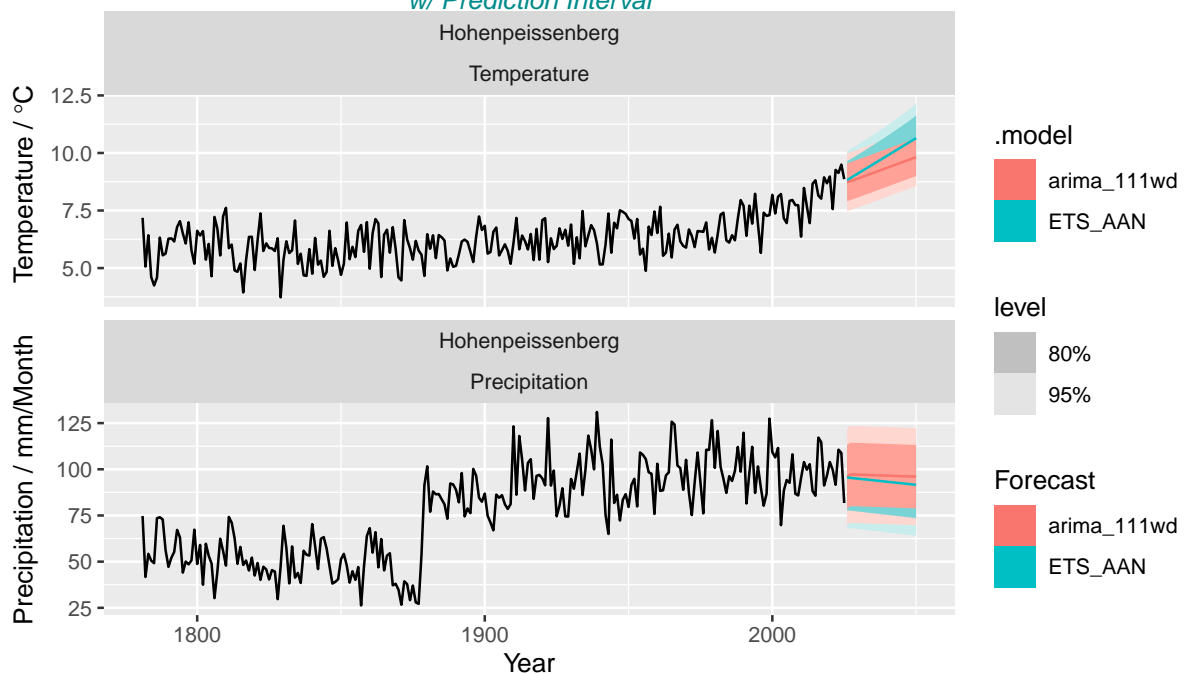
The ETS model  $\langle ETS(A, A, N) \rangle$  with seasonal term change “A” -> “N” is chosen. For ARIMA models the seasonal term (P,D,Q)<sub>m</sub> has to be taken out and an optimal ARIMA(p,1,q) with one differencing (d=1) is selected. However, for Mauna Loa two times differencing had to be selected  $\langle CO_2 \rangle \langle ARIMA(0,2,1) \text{ w/ poly} \rangle$ . For Temperature and Precipitation the same model as for monthly data can be taken by leaving out the seasonal term  $\langle ARIMA(0,1,2) \text{ w/ drift} \rangle$ .

### 5.0.1 Comparing Residual and Forecast Accuracy of selected ETS and ARIMA model

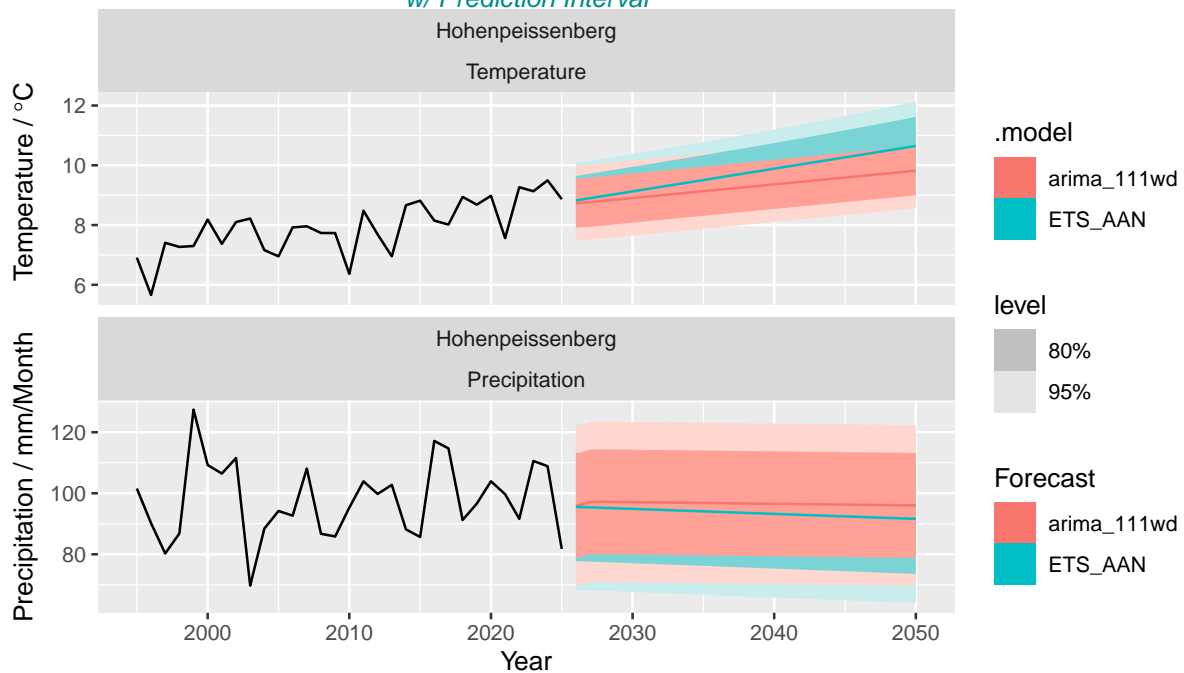
### 5.0.2 Forecast Plot of selected ETS and ARIMA model

```
#> selected: ETS_AAN and arima_111 w/ drift
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Yearly Forecasts by ETS  $\langle ETS(A,A,N) \rangle$  and ARIMA model  $\langle ARIMA(1,1,1) \text{ w/ drift} \rangle$   
w/ Prediction Interval



## Early Forecasts by ETS <ETS(A,A,N)> and ARIMA model <ARIMA(1,1,1) w/ drift> w/ Prediction Interval



```
#> # A tibble: 4 x 13
#>   City Measure .model sigma2 log_lik AIC AICc BIC MSE AMSE MAE
#>   <chr> <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohen~ Temper~ arima~ 0.402 -57.3 123. 123. 131. NA NA NA
#> 2 Hohen~ Temper~ ETS_A~ 0.409 -93.9 198. 199. 208. 0.382 0.381 0.502
#> 3 Hohen~ Precip~ arima~ 175. -236. 481. 482. 489. NA NA NA
#> 4 Hohen~ Precip~ ETS_A~ 192. -278. 567. 568. 577. 179. 180. 11.1
#> # i 2 more variables: ar_roots <list>, ma_roots <list>
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Ljung-Box Test - independence/white noise of the forecasts residuals

```
#> # A tibble: 2 x 5
#>   City Measure .model lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr> <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature ETS_AAN 19.7 0.714
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation ETS_AAN 14.1 0.945
#> # A tibble: 2 x 5
#>   City Measure .model lb_stat lb_pvalue
#>   <chr> <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 Hohenpeissenberg Temperature arima_111wd 18.5 0.617
#> 2 Hohenpeissenberg Precipitation arima_111wd 12.7 0.919
```

Table 5: Mean Yearly ARIMA and ETS Forecast values of mean yearly data (next 25 years); Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

City	Measure	Year	ETS_AAN	arima_111wd
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2026	8.82	8.73
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2030	9.13	8.90
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2035	9.51	9.13
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2040	9.89	9.36
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2045	10.27	9.59
Hohenpeissenberg	Temperature	2050	10.65	9.82
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2026	95.54	95.84
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2030	94.88	97.09
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2035	94.06	96.82
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2040	93.24	96.55
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2045	92.42	96.28
Hohenpeissenberg	Precipitation	2050	91.60	96.01

Table 6: Forecast increase/decrease over the next 25 years; Units: Temperature (degree C), Precipitation (mm/Month), CO2 (ppm)

Measure	Year.x	Year.y	ETS.x	ARIMA.x	ETS.y	ARIMA.y	Delta_ETS	Delta_ARIMA
Temperature	2026	2050	8.82	8.73	10.65	9.82	1.82	1.09
Precipitation	2026	2050	95.54	95.84	91.60	96.01	-3.94	0.18