

# Ebola Forecasting - Important Figures

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## 1 Dataset Selection

```
hr3 <- c("2018-08-26", "2019-07-26", "2020-02-06") #selection of datasets

indh <- indr <- c(2, 149, 161) #corresponding indices for above dates, done manually
print(hpreds3 <- hpreds[, indh])

##          2 164 176
## pred.7   7  54   5
## pred.14 13 108  10
## pred.21 18 157  15

print(rpreds3 <- rpreds[, indr])

##          2   164  176
## pred.7   4.0  44.2  5.0
## pred.14   7.6  89.0 11.7
## pred.21 10.7 127.7 19.6
```

## 2 Full Outbreak

```
title <- paste0("Cumulative Ebola Cases by Day in West Africa")
p <- ggplot(
  data = true,
  mapping = aes(x = date, y = total)) +
  geom_line() + theme_light() + labs(caption = title) +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  scale_x_date(date_breaks = "5 months", date_labels = "%b-%y")
p #+ theme(panel.grid.minor = element_blank())
```

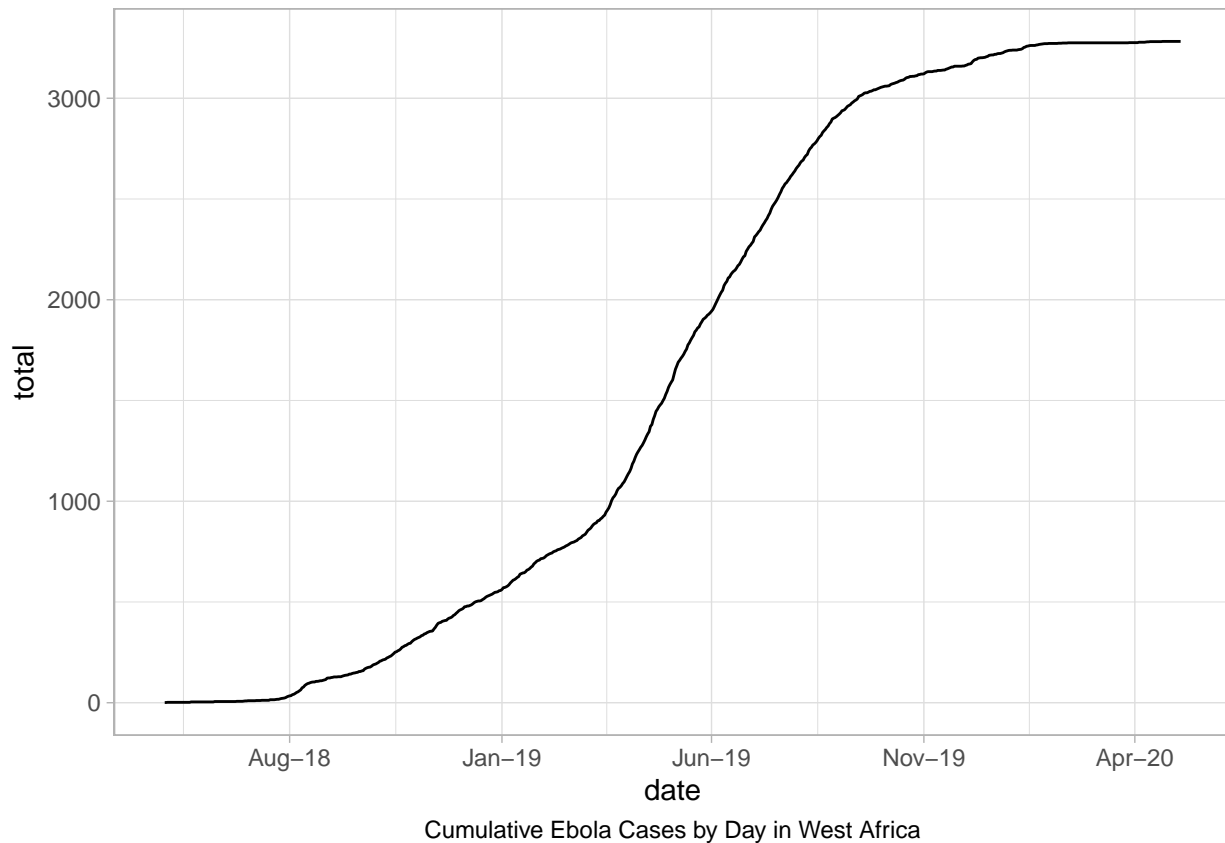


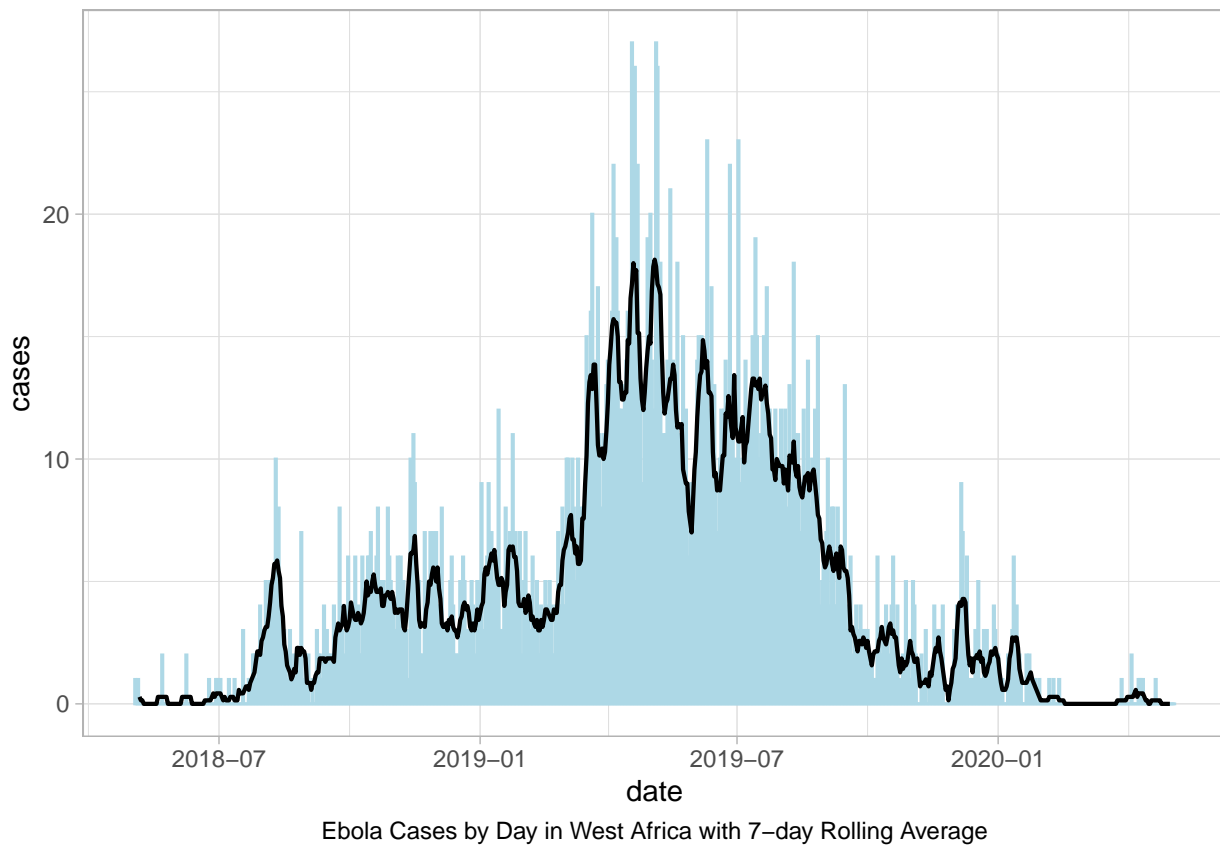
Figure 1: Cumulative Ebola Cases by Day in West Africa

```
#ggsave("test.png",p,width = 6, height = 4, units="in")
```

### 3 New Cases by Day

```
true <- true %>% mutate(seven_day_avg = zoo::rollmean(cases, k = 7, fill = NA))
# add rolling average

title <- paste0("Ebola Cases by Day in West Africa with 7-day Rolling Average")
ggplot(
  data = true,
  mapping = aes(x = date, y = cases)
) + geom_col(color = "lightblue") + theme_light() +
  geom_path(
    data = true,
    mapping = aes(x = date, y = seven_day_avg),
    color = "black",
    size = 0.75
  ) + labs(caption = title) +
  theme(plot.caption = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
```



```
scale_x_date(date_breaks = "5 months", date_labels = "%b-%y")
```

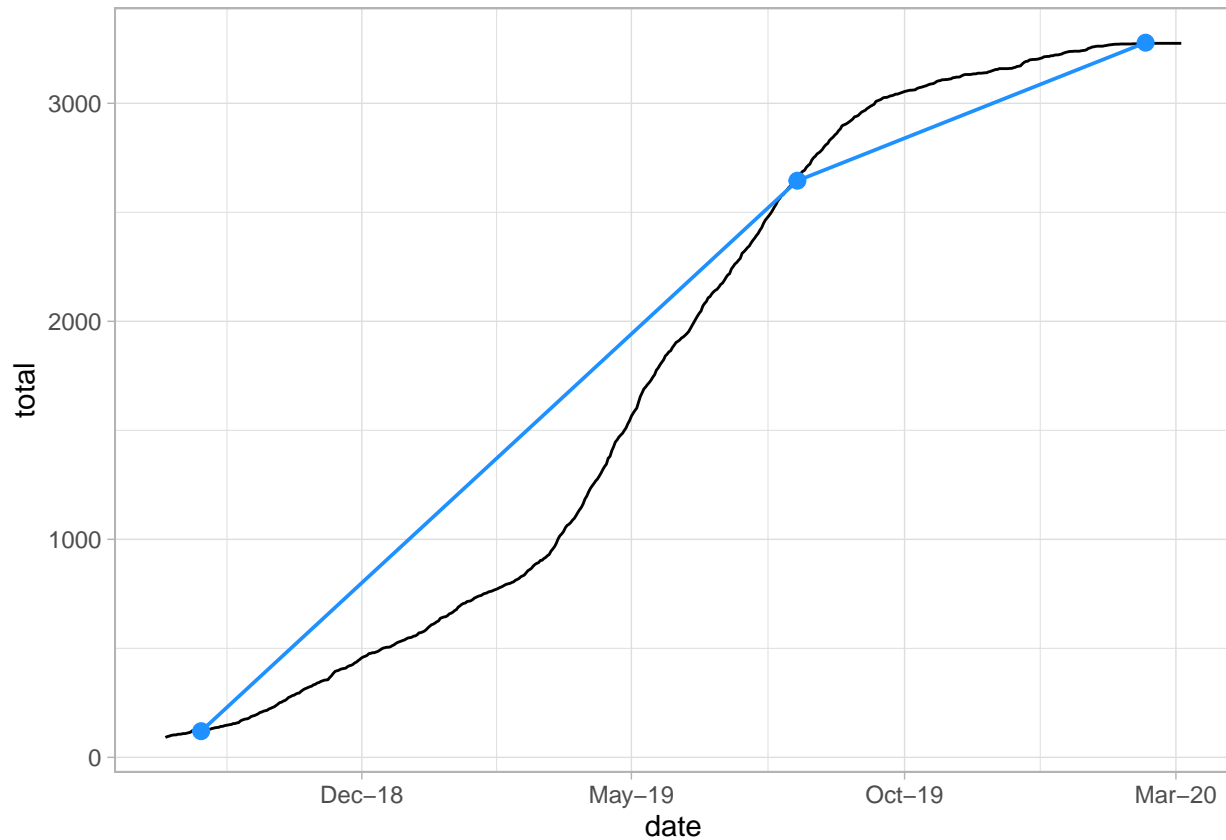
```
## <ScaleContinuousDate>
## Range:
## Limits: 0 -- 1
```

## 4 Hawkes Forecasts

### 4.1 Hawkes 7-Day

```
print(h7 <- single_forecast(hr3, hpreds3, days = 7, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

| ##   | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-02    | 128          | 120            | 8      |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-02    | 2660         | 2645           | 15     |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-13    | 3275         | 3278           | -3     |

```
##
```

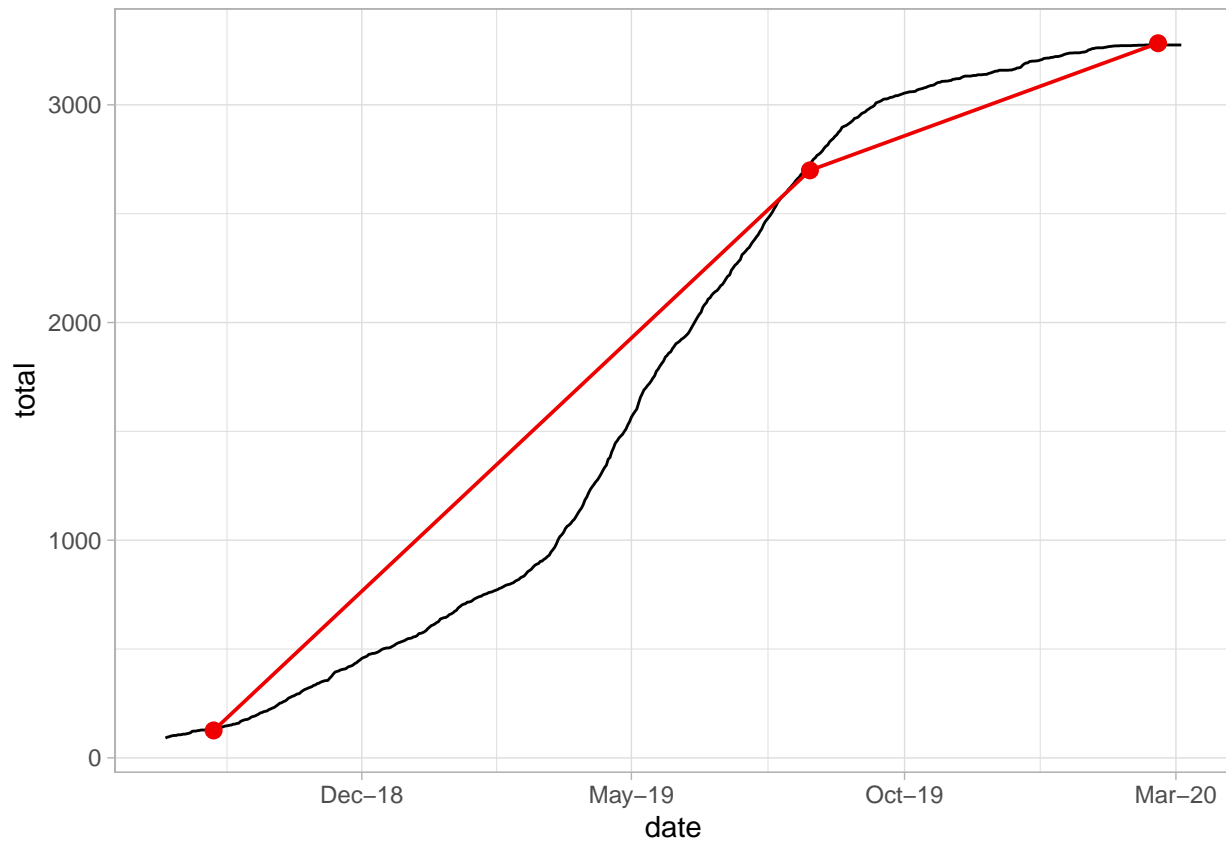
```
## $rmse
```

```
## [1] 9.966611
```

## 4.2 Hawkes 14-Day

```
print(h14 <- single_forecast(hr3, hpreds3, days = 14, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

|      | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-09    | 134          | 126            | 8      |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-09    | 2721         | 2699           | 22     |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-20    | 3275         | 3283           | -8     |

```
##
```

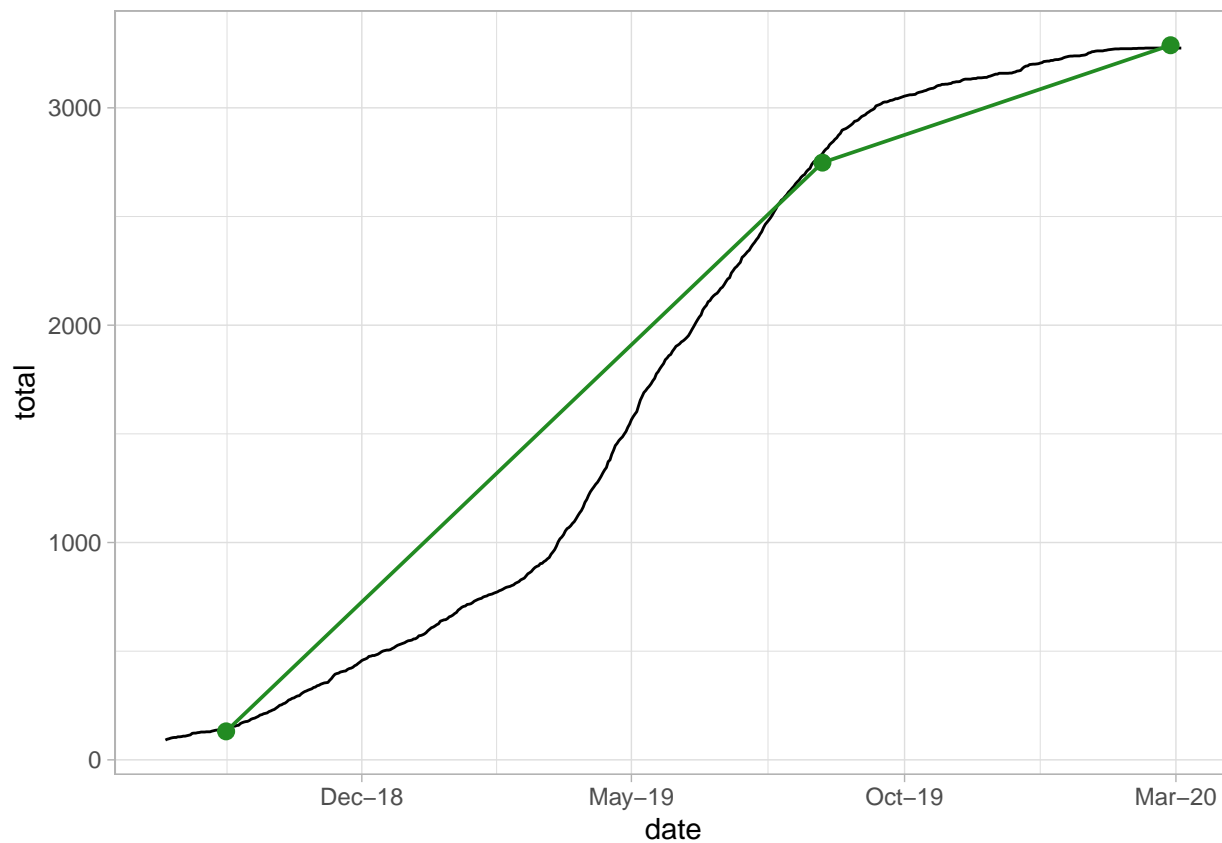
```
## $rmse
```

```
## [1] 14.28286
```

### 4.3 Hawkes 21-Day

```
print(h21 <- single_forecast(hr3, hpreds3, days = 21, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

| ##   | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-16    | 147          | 131            | 16     |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-16    | 2789         | 2748           | 41     |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-27    | 3275         | 3288           | -13    |

```
##
```

```
## $rmse
```

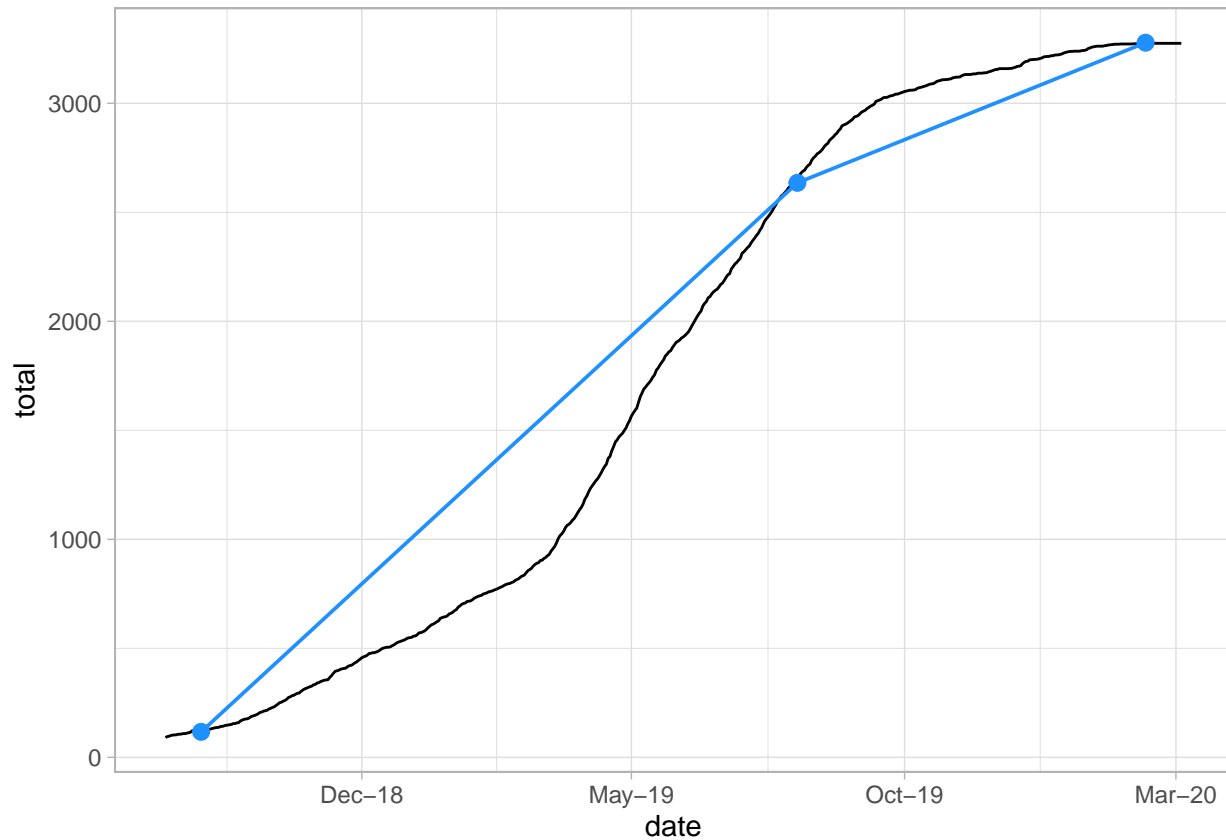
```
## [1] 26.49528
```

## 5 Recursive Forecasts

### 5.1 Recursive 7-Day

```
print(r7 <- single_forecast(hr3, rpreds3, days = 7, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

| ##   | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-02    | 128          | 117.0          | 11.0   |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-02    | 2660         | 2635.2         | 24.8   |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-13    | 3275         | 3278.0         | -3.0   |

```
##
```

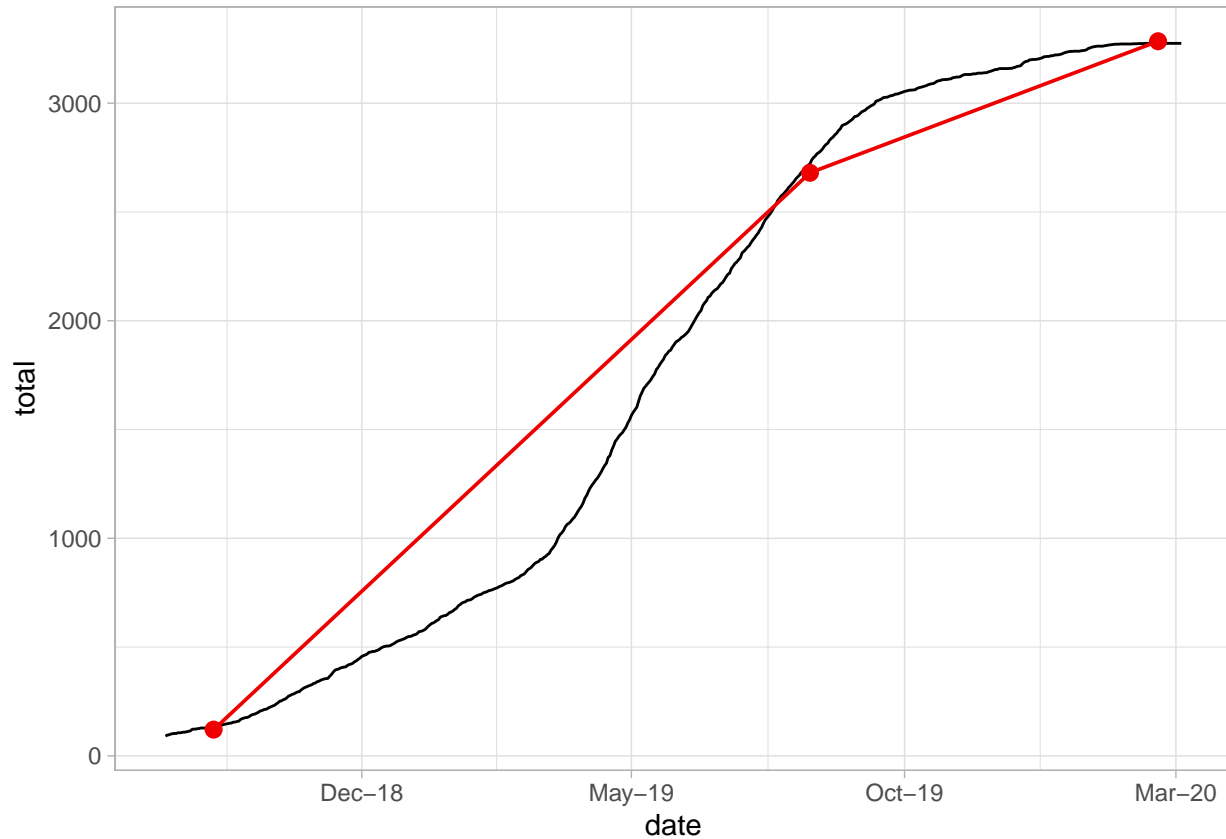
```
## $rmse
```

```
## [1] 15.75902
```

## 5.2 Recursive 14-Day

```
print(r14 <- single_forecast(hr3, rpreds3, days = 14, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

| ##   | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-09    | 134          | 120.6          | 13.4   |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-09    | 2721         | 2680.0         | 41.0   |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-20    | 3275         | 3284.7         | -9.7   |

```
##
```

```
## $rmse
```

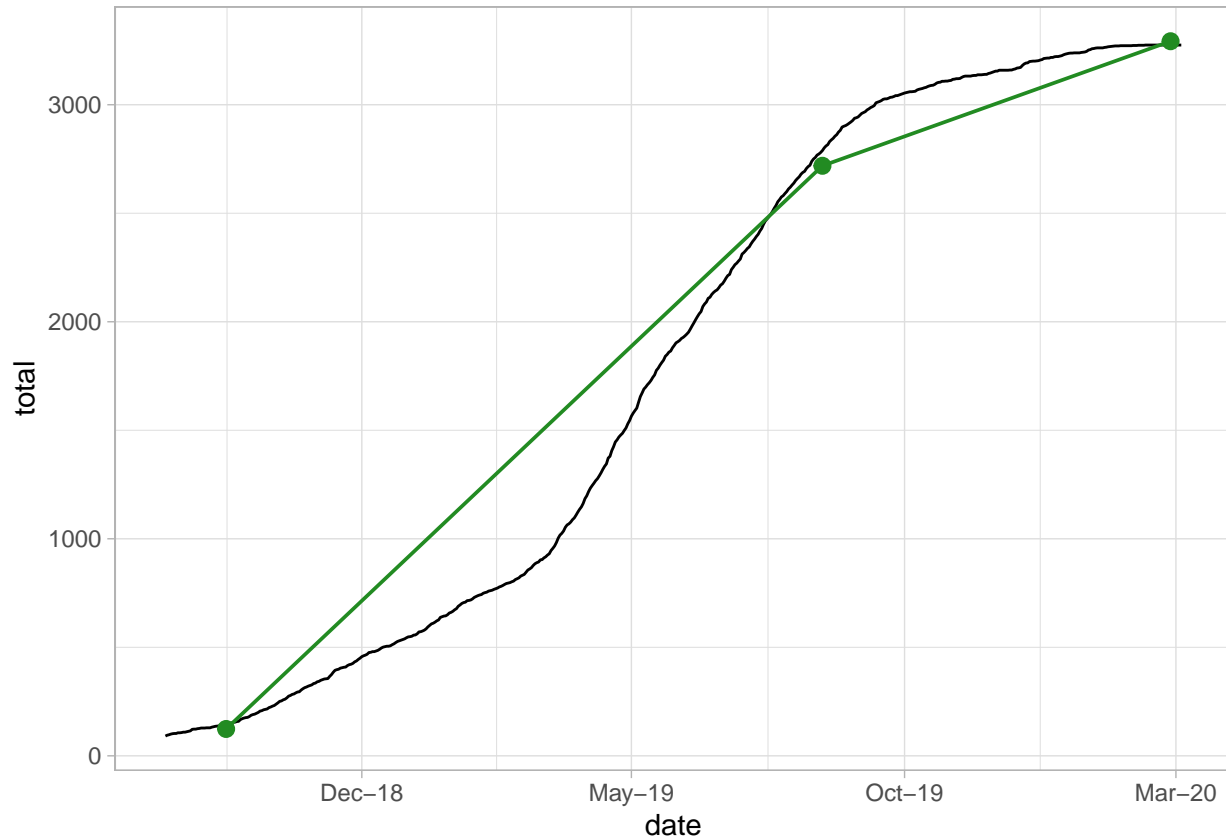
```
## [1] 25.52548
```



### 5.3 Recursive 21-Day

```
print(r21 <- single_forecast(hr3, rpreds3, days = 21, point = T))
```

```
## $plot
```



```
##
```

```
## $results
```

| ##   | prior.date | prior.total | forecast.date | actual.total | forecast.total | resids |
|------|------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| ## 1 | 2018-08-26 | 113         | 2018-09-16    | 147          | 123.7          | 23.3   |
| ## 2 | 2019-07-26 | 2591        | 2019-08-16    | 2789         | 2718.7         | 70.3   |
| ## 3 | 2020-02-06 | 3273        | 2020-02-27    | 3275         | 3292.6         | -17.6  |

```
##
```

```
## $rmse
```

```
## [1] 43.94974
```

## 6 RMSE

Table 1: RMSE values for 3 selected datasets.

|        | Hawkes | Recursive |
|--------|--------|-----------|
| 7-day  | 9.97   | 15.76     |
| 14-day | 14.28  | 25.53     |
| 21-day | 26.50  | 43.95     |