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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
import statsmodels.api as sm
from statsmodels.graphics.api import qqplot
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.tsa.holtwinters import ExponentialSmoothing
from statsmodels.nonparametric.smoothers_lowess import lowess
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, mean_absolute_error
```

Certainly! Here's a point-wise introduction to the sunspot dataset that has been used in our discussions:

1. **Dataset Content:**
 - The dataset consists of monthly mean total sunspot number observations.
 - The observations span the time period from 1749 to 2023.
 - A value of -1 indicates that no number is available (missing value).
2. **Columns:**
 - **'year', 'month':** Represent the Gregorian calendar date of each observation.
 - **'frac_date':** Represents the date in the fraction of the year for the middle of the corresponding month.
 - **'mean_spots':** Indicates the monthly mean total sunspot number.
 - **'mean_std':** Represents the monthly mean standard deviation of the input sunspot numbers from individual stations.
 - **'observations':** Provides the number of observations used to compute the monthly mean total sunspot number.
 - **'definitive':** Marks whether the value is definitive (blank) or provisional (*).
3. **Temporal Range:**
 - The dataset covers a substantial temporal range, allowing for the exploration of long-term trends and patterns in sunspot activity.
4. **Observation Characteristics:**
 - Sunspot observations include both the mean total sunspot number and associated standard deviation, providing insights into the variability of sunspot activity.
5. **Data Quality Indicators:**
 - The 'observations' column indicates the number of individual observations used to compute the monthly mean, offering insights into data reliability.
 - The 'definitive' column distinguishes between definitive and provisional values, providing information about the data's accuracy and potential for revisions.
6. **Time Series Nature:**
 - The dataset is inherently a time series, making it suitable for time series analysis and forecasting techniques.
7. **Application Areas:**
 - Sunspot data is crucial in solar physics and has applications in studying solar cycles, space weather, and their impact on Earth's climate.
8. **Dataset Purpose:**

- The dataset facilitates the exploration of patterns, trends, and variability in sunspot activity over a significant historical period.

9. Data Exploration Goals:

- Time series analysis techniques, such as smoothing and forecasting, can be applied to uncover patterns and make predictions based on the sunspot data.

10. Research and Educational Value:

- The dataset is valuable for researchers and educators interested in solar physics, climatology, and time series analysis.

This sunspot dataset serves as a rich source for exploring and understanding the dynamics of solar activity over an extensive period, making it applicable in various scientific and analytical contexts.

```
cols = ["year", "month", "frac_date", "mean_spots", "mean_std",
"observations", "definitive"]
data = pd.read_csv("SN_m_tot_V2.0.csv", delimiter=';', names = cols,)
#data.to_csv("sunspot_data", index = False)
samp = data.copy()
data.head(10)
```

	year	month	frac_date	mean_spots	mean_std	observations
definitive						
0	1749	1	1749.042	96.7	-1.0	-1
1						
1	1749	2	1749.123	104.3	-1.0	-1
1						
2	1749	3	1749.204	116.7	-1.0	-1
1						
3	1749	4	1749.288	92.8	-1.0	-1
1						
4	1749	5	1749.371	141.7	-1.0	-1
1						
5	1749	6	1749.455	139.2	-1.0	-1
1						
6	1749	7	1749.538	158.0	-1.0	-1
1						
7	1749	8	1749.623	110.5	-1.0	-1
1						
8	1749	9	1749.707	126.5	-1.0	-1
1						
9	1749	10	1749.790	125.8	-1.0	-1
1						

```
#check for missing values
data.isnull().sum()
```

```
year          0
month         0
frac_date     0
mean_spots    0
```

```

mean_std      0
observations   0
definitive     0
dtype: int64

#function to convert astronomical dates to daily date format
def fraction_year_to_date(fractional_year):
    # Extracting the year
    year = int(fractional_year)

    # Calculating the remaining fractional part as days
    remaining_fraction = fractional_year - year
    days_in_year = 365 + int(year % 4 == 0 and (year % 100 != 0 or
year % 400 == 0)) # Account for leap year

    # Converting the fractional part to equivalent date
    total_days = int(remaining_fraction * days_in_year)

    # Creating a base date for the year
    base_date = datetime(year, 1, 1)

    # Calculating the target date
    target_date = base_date + timedelta(days=total_days)

    return target_date.strftime("%d-%m-%Y")

#an example
fractional_year = 1749.042
result_date = fraction_year_to_date(fractional_year)
print(f'The date for {fractional_year} is: {result_date}')

The date for 1749.042 is: 16-01-1749

dates = list(map(fraction_year_to_date, samp["frac_date"]))
#samp.insert(3,"dates",dates)
samp.head()
samp.shape

(3300, 8)

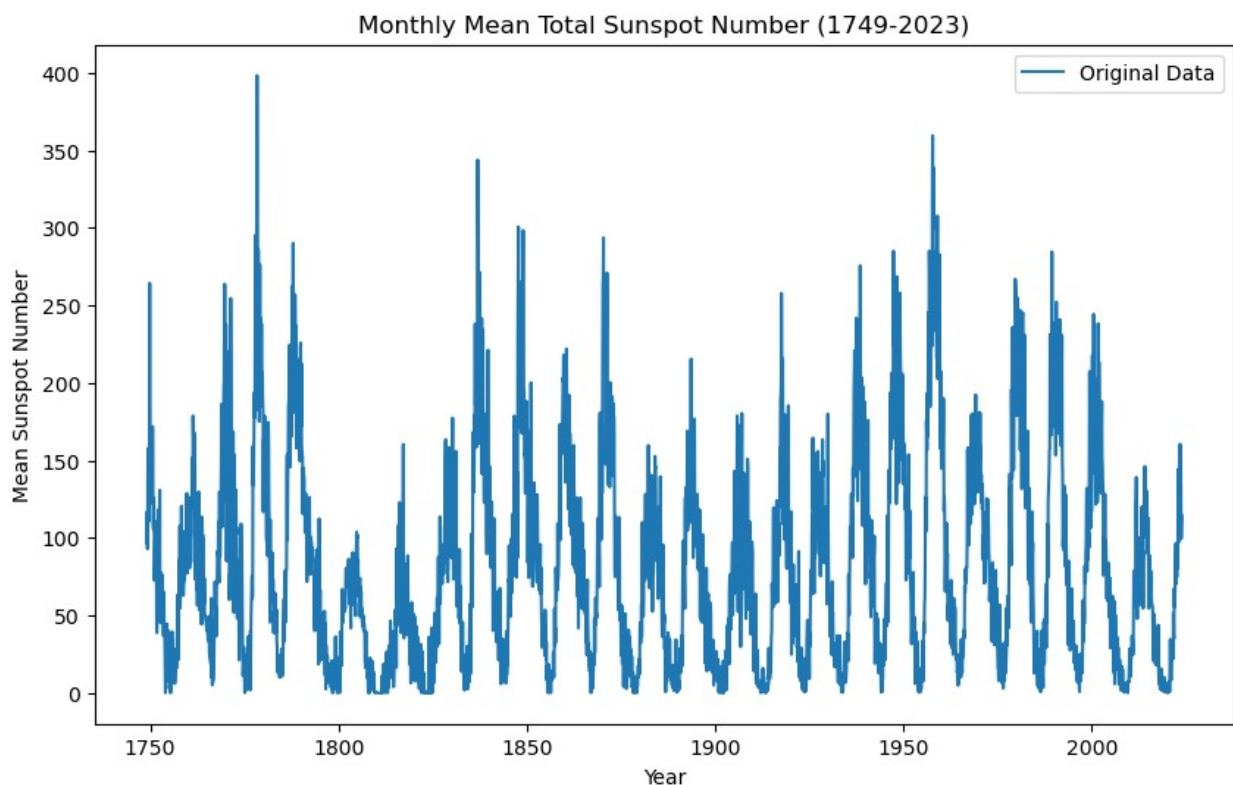
print(samp.columns)
#samp.to_csv("sunspot_data", index = False)
samp.drop(columns=['mean_std', 'observations', 'definitive'],
inplace=True)
samp.describe()

Index(['year', 'month', 'frac_date', 'dates', 'mean_spots',
'mean_std',
      'observations', 'definitive'],
      dtype='object')

```

	year	month	frac_date	mean_spots
count	3300.000000	3300.000000	3300.000000	3300.000000
mean	1886.000000	6.500000	1886.497992	81.773333
std	79.397168	3.452576	79.397664	67.666304
min	1749.000000	1.000000	1749.042000	0.000000
25%	1817.000000	3.750000	1817.769250	24.100000
50%	1886.000000	6.500000	1886.496500	67.550000
75%	1955.000000	9.250000	1955.225000	122.400000
max	2023.000000	12.000000	2023.958000	398.200000

```
# Plot the original time series
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data')
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number (1749-2023)')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



When using `min_periods=1`, as in your example, it means that even if there's only one observation within the window, the result will be calculated. If there are fewer than `min_periods` non-null data points within the window, the result is marked as `NaN`.

you can set `min_periods` to 0. The `min_periods` parameter in the rolling function determines the minimum number of observations required for the respective window to have a non-null result.

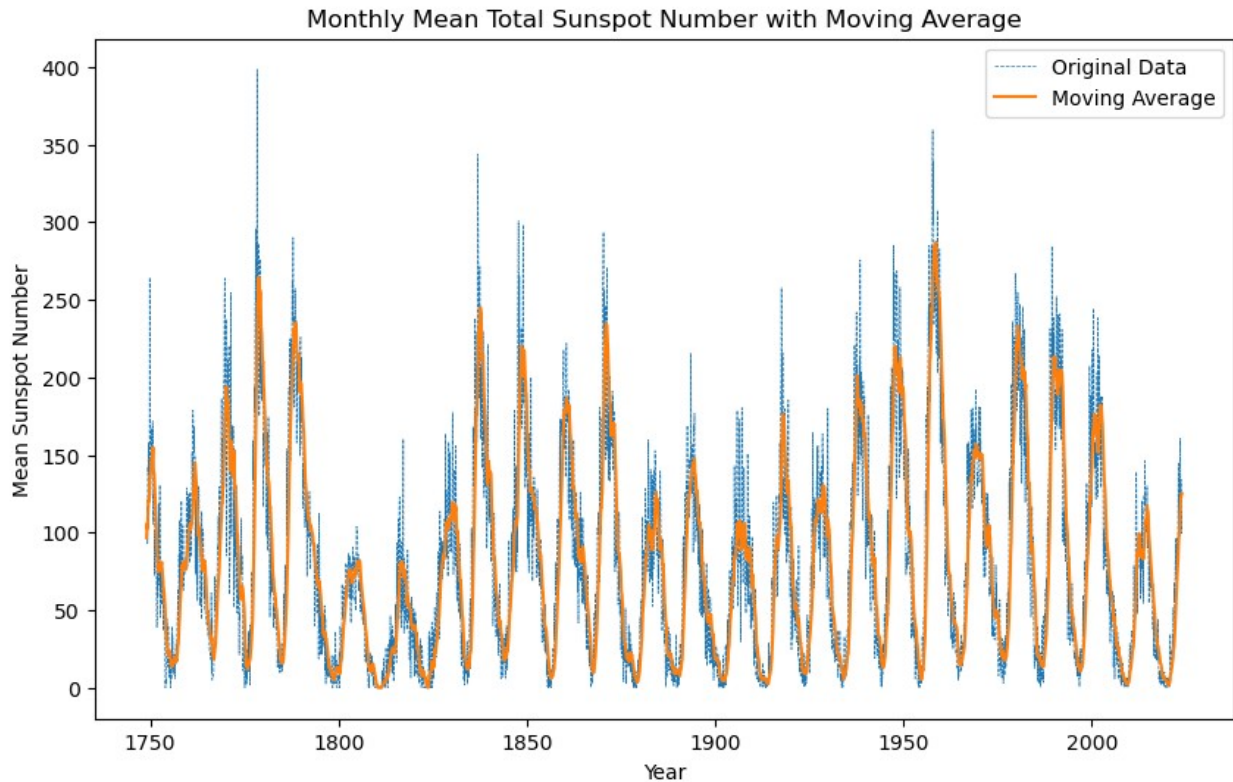
Setting `min_periods=0` would mean that the rolling calculations will be performed even if there are zero non-null observations within the window. This can be useful if you want the rolling calculations to be performed regardless of the number of observations, even if there are missing or null values.

Keep in mind that setting `min_periods` to 0 might lead to more NaN values in the result, especially if there are missing or null values in the data.

```
window_size = 12
samp['MA'] = samp['mean_spots'].rolling(window=window_size,
min_periods=1).mean()
samp.head(10)
```

	year	month	frac_date	dates	mean_spots	MA
0	1749	1	1749.042	16-01-1749	96.7	96.700000
1	1749	2	1749.123	14-02-1749	104.3	100.500000
2	1749	3	1749.204	16-03-1749	116.7	105.900000
3	1749	4	1749.288	16-04-1749	92.8	102.625000
4	1749	5	1749.371	16-05-1749	141.7	110.440000
5	1749	6	1749.455	16-06-1749	139.2	115.233333
6	1749	7	1749.538	16-07-1749	158.0	121.342857
7	1749	8	1749.623	16-08-1749	110.5	119.987500
8	1749	9	1749.707	16-09-1749	126.5	120.711111
9	1749	10	1749.790	16-10-1749	125.8	121.220000

```
# Plot Moving Average
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data',
ls = "--", lw = 0.5)
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['MA'], label='Moving Average')
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number with Moving Average')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



```
alpha = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter, you can adjust as needed
model_exp = ExponentialSmoothing(samp['mean_spots'], trend='add',
seasonal=None)
result_exp = model_exp.fit(smoothing_level=alpha)
```

```
samp['Exp_Smooth'] = result_exp.fittedvalues
samp.head(10)
```

	year	month	frac_date	dates	mean_spots	MA
Exp_Smooth						
0	1749	1	1749.042	16-01-1749	96.7	96.700000
					117.546154	
1	1749	2	1749.123	14-02-1749	104.3	100.500000
					116.938971	
2	1749	3	1749.204	16-03-1749	116.7	105.900000
					117.595433	
3	1749	4	1749.288	16-04-1749	92.8	102.625000
					120.573837	
4	1749	5	1749.371	16-05-1749	141.7	110.440000
					117.346371	
5	1749	6	1749.455	16-06-1749	139.2	115.233333
					125.272354	
6	1749	7	1749.538	16-07-1749	158.0	121.342857
					131.529452	
7	1749	8	1749.623	16-08-1749	110.5	119.987500

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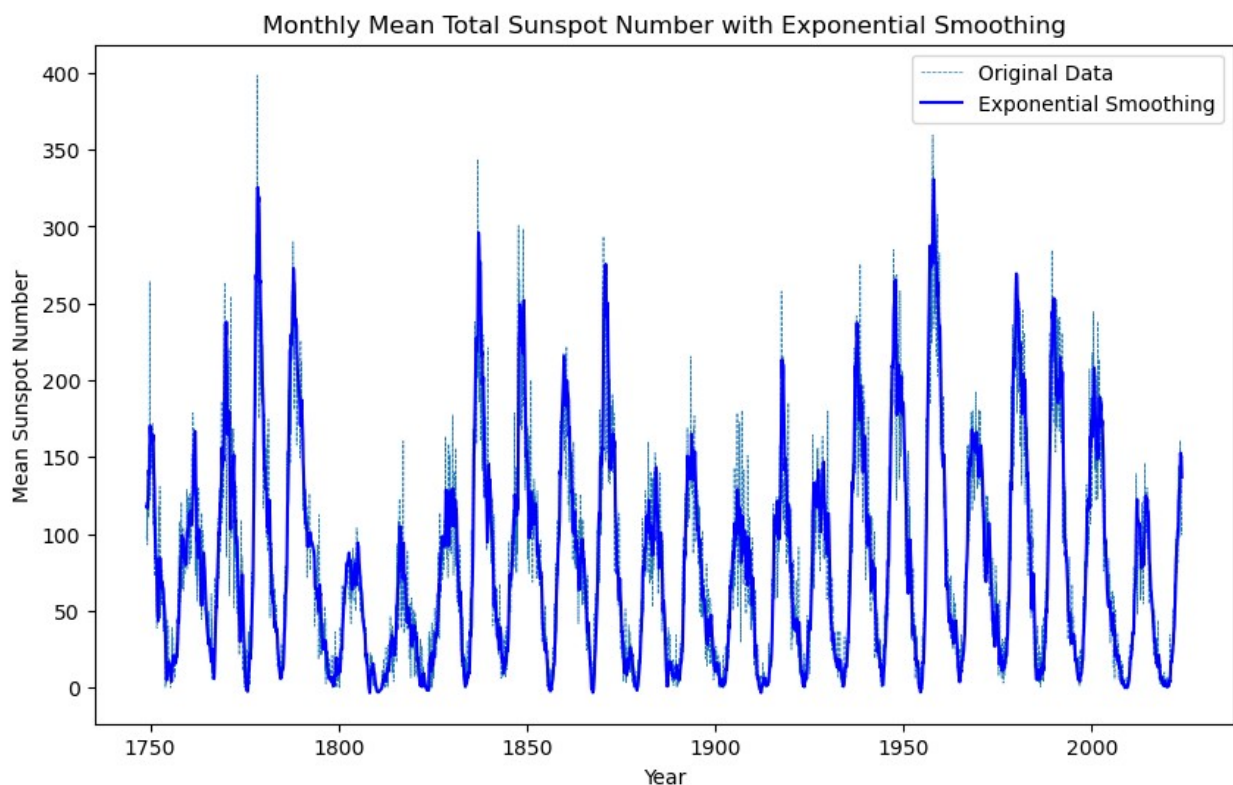
141.086364
8 1749      9  1749.707  16-09-1749      126.5  120.711111
138.317634
9 1749     10  1749.790  16-10-1749      125.8  121.220000
138.949409

```

```

# Plot Exponential Smoothing
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data',
ls = "--", lw = 0.5)
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['Exp_Smooth'], label='Exponential
Smoothing', color = "blue")
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number with Exponential
Smoothing')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



```

#(Holt Linear Trend):
alpha = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for level
beta = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for trend

model_double_exp = ExponentialSmoothing(samp['mean_spots'],
trend='add', seasonal=None)

```



```
result_double_exp = model_double_exp.fit(smoothing_level=alpha,
smoothing_trend=beta)
samp['Double_Exp_Smooth'] = result_double_exp.fittedvalues
```

```
samp.head(10)
```

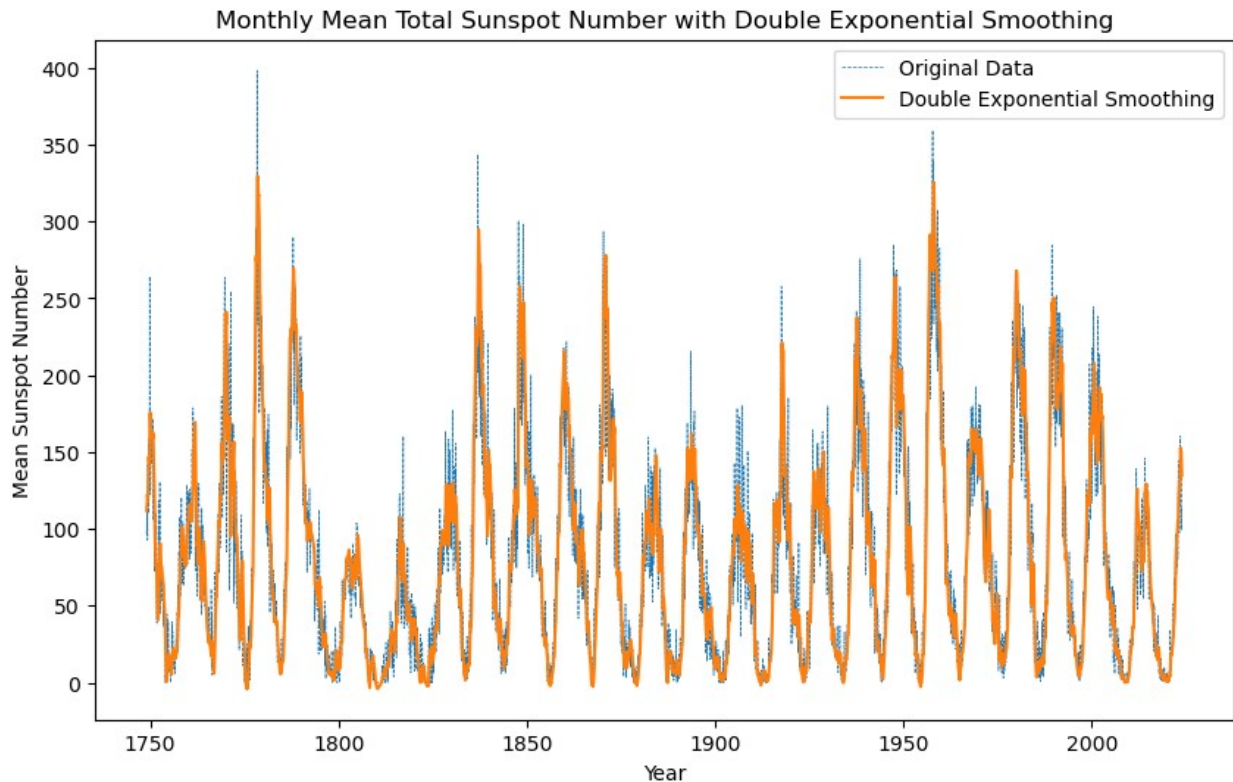
	year	month	frac_date	dates	mean_spots	MA
Exp_Smooth \						
0	1749	1	1749.042	16-01-1749	96.7	96.700000
117.546154						
1	1749	2	1749.123	14-02-1749	104.3	100.500000
116.938971						
2	1749	3	1749.204	16-03-1749	116.7	105.900000
117.595433						
3	1749	4	1749.288	16-04-1749	92.8	102.625000
120.573837						
4	1749	5	1749.371	16-05-1749	141.7	110.440000
117.346371						
5	1749	6	1749.455	16-06-1749	139.2	115.233333
125.272354						
6	1749	7	1749.538	16-07-1749	158.0	121.342857
131.529452						
7	1749	8	1749.623	16-08-1749	110.5	119.987500
141.086364						
8	1749	9	1749.707	16-09-1749	126.5	120.711111
138.317634						
9	1749	10	1749.790	16-10-1749	125.8	121.220000
138.949409						

	Double_Exp_Smooth
0	111.897641
1	114.367185
2	117.460134
3	122.384087
4	120.359886
5	129.374130
6	136.478560
7	146.782962
8	144.075164
9	144.405920

```
# Plot Double Exponential Smoothing
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data',
ls = "--", lw = 0.5)
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['Double_Exp_Smooth'], label='Double
Exponential Smoothing')
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number with Double Exponential
Smoothing')
plt.xlabel('Year')
```



```
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



```
# Damped Trend Double Exponential Smoothing
alpha = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for level
beta = 0.2  # Smoothing parameter for trend
phi = 0.9   # Damping factor

model_damped_trend = ExponentialSmoothing(samp['mean_spots'],
trend='add', seasonal = None, damped_trend=True)
result_damped_trend = model_damped_trend.fit(smoothing_level=alpha,
smoothing_trend =beta, damping_trend=phi)

samp['Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth'] = result_damped_trend.fittedvalues
samp.head(10)
```

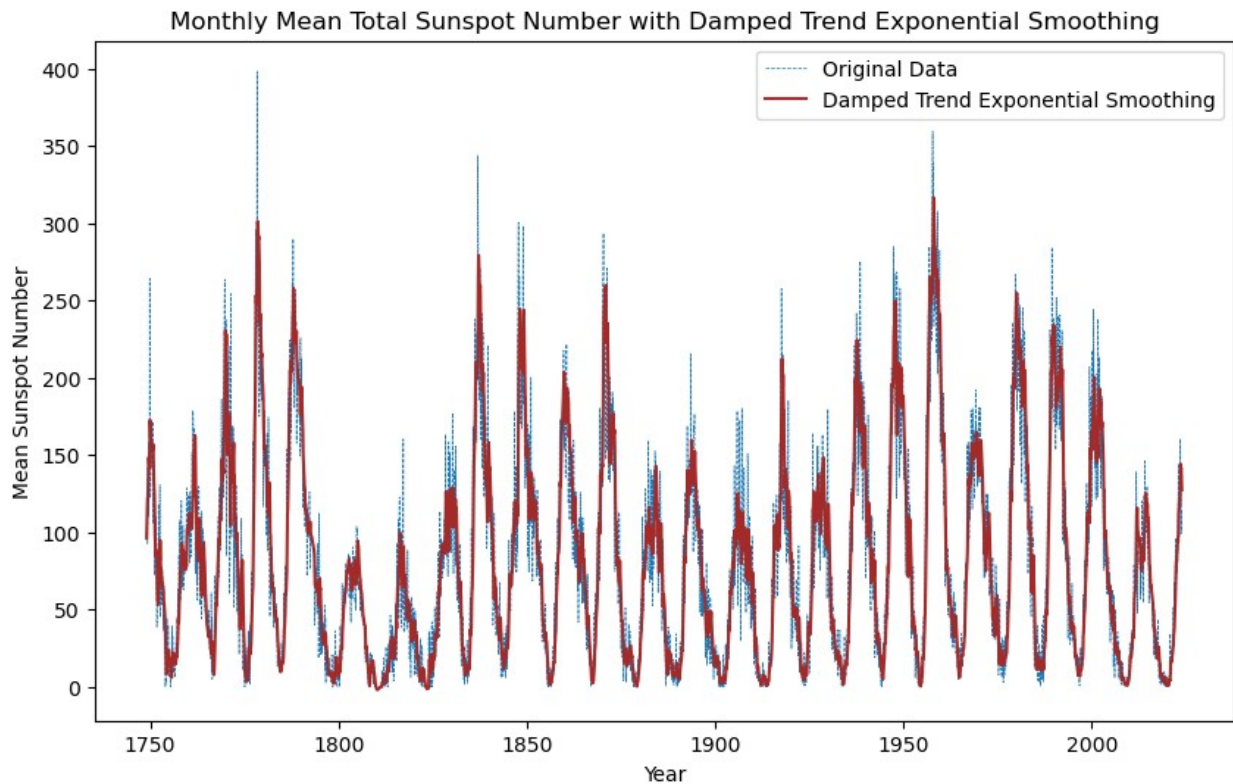
	year	month	frac_date	dates	mean_spots	MA
Exp_Smooth \						
0	1749	1	1749.042	16-01-1749	96.7	96.700000
					117.546154	
1	1749	2	1749.123	14-02-1749	104.3	100.500000
					116.938971	
2	1749	3	1749.204	16-03-1749	116.7	105.900000
					117.595433	

3	1749	4	1749.288	16-04-1749	92.8	102.625000	
120.573837	4	1749	5	1749.371	16-05-1749	141.7	110.440000
117.346371	5	1749	6	1749.455	16-06-1749	139.2	115.233333
125.272354	6	1749	7	1749.538	16-07-1749	158.0	121.342857
131.529452	7	1749	8	1749.623	16-08-1749	110.5	119.987500
141.086364	8	1749	9	1749.707	16-09-1749	126.5	120.711111
138.317634	9	1749	10	1749.790	16-10-1749	125.8	121.220000
138.949409							

	Double_Exp_Smooth	Triple_Exp_Smooth	Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth
0	111.897641	101.029144	96.308636
1	114.367185	102.782768	105.814009
2	117.460134	119.470434	113.941093
3	122.384087	119.282088	122.179093
4	120.359886	130.802136	122.163223
5	129.374130	133.451421	132.047857
6	136.478560	149.657464	139.115313
7	146.782962	144.872941	148.645424
8	144.075164	132.374416	144.820960
9	144.405920	128.027315	143.921372

Plot Damped Trend Double Exponential Smoothing

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data',
ls = "--", lw = 0.5)
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth'],
label='Damped Trend Exponential Smoothing', color = "brown")
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number with Damped Trend
Exponential Smoothing')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Damping Trend Explanation:

Damping the trend is useful in situations where a trend in the time series might be strong in the short term but is expected to diminish in impact over the long term. Without damping, the trend could lead to overly optimistic or pessimistic forecasts, especially when projecting far into the future.

Damping the trend allows the model to be more conservative in extrapolating the trend, recognizing that trends may not continue indefinitely. It is a way to introduce a level of caution and realism into the forecasting process, preventing the forecast from becoming overly influenced by short-term trends that may not persist over a more extended time horizon.

In summary, the damping factor is a tool to balance the short-term influence of the trend with a more realistic long-term outlook in time series forecasting. The optimal value depends on the specific characteristics of the data and the forecasting requirements.

```
alpha = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for level
beta = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for trend
gamma = 0.2 # Smoothing parameter for seasonality

seasonal_periods = 12 # Assuming a yearly seasonality, can adjust as
needed

model_triple_exp = ExponentialSmoothing(samp['mean_spots'],
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trend='add', seasonal='add', seasonal_periods=seasonal_periods)
result_triple_exp = model_triple_exp.fit(smoothing_level=alpha,
smoothing_trend=beta, smoothing_seasonal=gamma)
```

```
samp['Triple_Exp_Smooth'] = result_triple_exp.fittedvalues
samp.head(10)
```

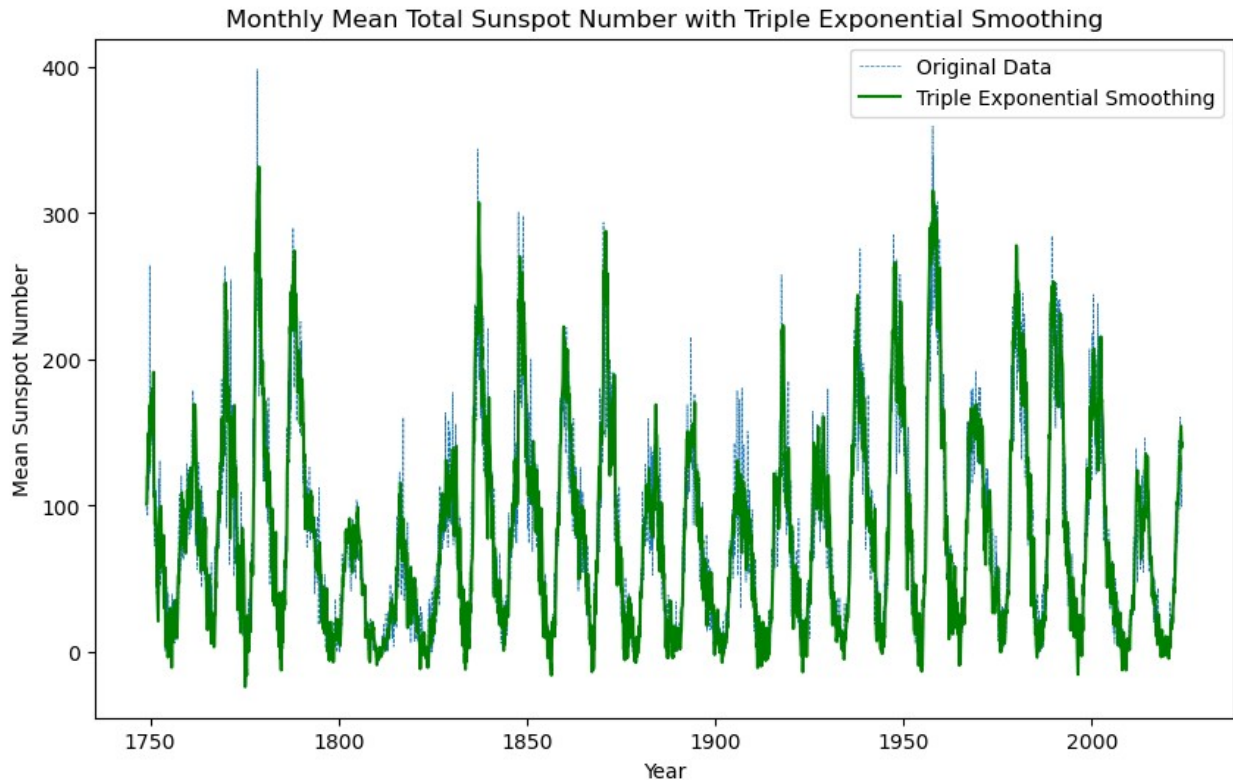
	year	month	frac_date	dates	mean_spots	MA
Exp_Smooth \						
0	1749	1	1749.042	16-01-1749	96.7	96.700000
						117.546154
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						117.595433
3	1749	4	1749.288	16-04-1749	92.8	102.625000
						120.573837
4	1749	5	1749.371	16-05-1749	141.7	110.440000
						117.346371
5	1749	6	1749.455	16-06-1749	139.2	115.233333
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2	117.460134	119.470434
3	122.384087	119.282088
4	120.359886	130.802136
5	129.374130	133.451421
6	136.478560	149.657464
7	146.782962	144.872941
8	144.075164	132.374416
9	144.405920	128.027315

```
# Plot Triple Exponential Smoothing
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['mean_spots'], label='Original Data',
ls = "--", lw = 0.5)
plt.plot(samp['frac_date'], samp['Triple_Exp_Smooth'], label='Triple
Exponential Smoothing', color = "green")
plt.title('Monthly Mean Total Sunspot Number with Triple Exponential
Smoothing')
```

```
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Mean Sunspot Number')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



```
# Calculate MSE and MAE for each technique
metrics = {}

# Moving Average
metrics['MA'] = {
    'MSE': mean_squared_error(samp['mean_spots'], samp['MA']),
    'MAE': mean_absolute_error(samp['mean_spots'], samp['MA'])
}

# Exponential Smoothing
metrics['Exp_Smooth'] = {
    'MSE': mean_squared_error(samp['mean_spots'], samp['Exp_Smooth']),
    'MAE': mean_absolute_error(samp['mean_spots'], samp['Exp_Smooth'])
}

# Double Exponential Smoothing
metrics['Double_Exp_Smooth'] = {
    'MSE': mean_squared_error(samp['mean_spots'],
smp['Double_Exp_Smooth']),
    'MAE': mean_absolute_error(samp['mean_spots'],
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samp['Double_Exp_Smooth'])
}

# Calculate MSE and MAE for Damped Trend
metrics['Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth'] = {
    'MSE': mean_squared_error(samp['mean_spots'],
    samp['Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth']),
    'MAE': mean_absolute_error(samp['mean_spots'],
    samp['Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth'])
}

# Triple Exponential Smoothing
metrics['Triple_Exp_Smooth'] = {
    'MSE': mean_squared_error(samp['mean_spots'],
    samp['Triple_Exp_Smooth']),
    'MAE': mean_absolute_error(samp['mean_spots'],
    samp['Triple_Exp_Smooth'])
}

# Display metrics
for technique, values in metrics.items():
    print(f"{technique} Metrics:")
    print(f"MSE: {values['MSE']}")
    print(f"MAE: {values['MAE']}")
    print(f"-----")

```

```

MA Metrics:
MSE: 818.8103195468314
MAE: 20.777887755258213
-----
Exp_Smooth Metrics:
MSE: 725.5814763001036
MAE: 19.111035798024844
-----
Double_Exp_Smooth Metrics:
MSE: 731.8357609683061
MAE: 19.219671262025347
-----
Damped_Trend_Exp_Smooth Metrics:
MSE: 690.8216445859211
MAE: 18.68501841695176
-----
Triple_Exp_Smooth Metrics:
MSE: 830.8887387124884
MAE: 20.90478283713496
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```

Single Exponential Smoothing (SES) and Double Exponential Smoothing (Holt's method) have different capabilities and are suitable for different types of time series patterns:

1. SES (Single Exponential Smoothing):
 - Suitable for data with a constant level and no clear trend or seasonality.
 - Works well when the data has a stable and consistent pattern.
2. Double Exponential Smoothing (Holt's method):
 - Incorporates a trend component in addition to level smoothing.
 - Suitable for data with a linear trend.

If the underlying time series data exhibits a stable level without a clear trend or seasonality, SES might perform well. On the other hand, if there is a noticeable linear trend in the data, Holt's method may provide better results by capturing both the level and trend components.

Here are some scenarios where double exponential smoothing might outperform triple exponential smoothing:

1. Absence of Seasonality:
 - If your time series data does not exhibit a clear and significant seasonal pattern, the additional complexity introduced by the third component (seasonality) in triple exponential smoothing may not provide significant benefits.
2. Limited Historical Data:
 - Triple exponential smoothing requires more historical data points to estimate the seasonality component accurately. If you have limited historical data, double exponential smoothing may be more robust.
3. Changing Patterns:
 - If the patterns in your time series are changing over time and the historical data may not be a good indicator of future patterns, the additional flexibility provided by triple exponential smoothing might not be beneficial.
4. Simplicity and Interpretability:
 - Double exponential smoothing is simpler and easier to interpret than triple exponential smoothing. If the interpretability of the model is important, and the additional complexity of triple exponential smoothing is not justified, then double exponential smoothing may be preferred.

However, it's crucial to note that the effectiveness of smoothing methods can vary across different datasets, and there is no one-size-fits-all solution. It's recommended to try multiple methods and select the one that provides the best performance based on validation metrics and a thorough understanding of the data patterns.

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def moving_average_smoothing(X, k):
    S = np.zeros(X.shape[0])
    for t in range(X.shape[0]):
        if t < k:
            S[t] = np.mean(X[:t+1])
        else:
            S[t] = np.sum(X[t-k:t])/k
```



```

        return S

def exponential_smoothing(X,α):
    S = np.zeros(X.shape[0])
    S[0] = X[0]
    for t in range(1,X.shape[0]):
        S[t] = α * X[t-1] + (1- α) * S[t-1]
    return S

def double_exponential_smoothing(X,α,β):
    S,A,B = (np.zeros( X.shape[0] ) for i in range(3))
    S[0] = X[0]
    for t in range(1,X.shape[0]):
        A[t] = α * X[t] + (1- α) * S[t-1]
        B[t] = β * (A[t] - A[t-1]) + (1 - β) * B[t-1]
        S[t] = A[t] + B[t]
    return S

def triple_exponential_smoothing(X,L,α,β,γ,φ):

def sig_φ(φ,m):
    return np.sum(np.array([np.power(φ,i) for i in range(m+1)]))

C, S, B, F = (np.zeros( X.shape[0] ) for i in range(4))
S[0], F[0] = X[0], X[0]
B[0] = np.mean( X[L:2*L] - X[:L] ) / L
m = 12
sig_φ = sig_φ(φ,m)
for t in range(1, X.shape[0]):
    S[t] = α * (X[t] - C[t % L]) + (1 - α) * (S[t-1] + φ * B[t-1])
    B[t] = β * (S[t] - S[t-1]) + (1-β) * φ * B[t-1]
    C[t % L] = γ * (X[t] - S[t]) + (1 - γ) * C[t % L]
    F[t] = S[t] + sig_φ * B[t] + C[t % L]
return S

#dataset loading
AAPL = pd.read_excel('sunspot_data.xlsx')

#smoothing techniques
time_series = np.array(AAPL['High'])[5400:]
m_a_s = moving_avarage_smoothing(time_series,12)
e_s = exponential_smoothing(time_series,0.3)
d_e_s = double_exponential_smoothing(time_series,0.5,0.1)
t_e_s = triple_exponential_smoothing(time_series,12,0.1,0.1,0.1,0.5)

#data plots
fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax = plt.gca()
ax.set_facecolor('#dddddd')

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plt.title('Apple Inc. Dec 12, 1980 - May 24, 2020')
plt.xlabel("> ---- Time ---- >")
plt.ylabel(">---- Share Price ---->")

plt.plot(time_series,linewidth = 2,label="Actual",color='white')
plt.plot(e_s,linewidth=1,label="exponential_smoothing",color="#88CCEE"
)
plt.plot(m_a_s,linewidth=1,label="moving_avarage_smoothing",color="#44
AA99")
plt.plot(d_e_s,linewidth=1,label="double_exponential_smoothing",color=
"#117733")
plt.plot(t_e_s,linewidth=1,label="triple_exponential_smoothing",color=
"red")

plt.legend(fontsize=9)
plt.show()
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