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```
[1]: import warnings
    warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
    from datetime import datetime, timedelta
[2]: %matplotlib inline
```

Module 15 Lab - Time Series

1.1 Directions

The due dates for each are indicated in the Syllabus and the course calendar. If anything is unclear, please email EN685.648@gmail.com the official email for the course or ask questions in the Lab discussion area on Canys.

The Labs also present technical material that augments the lectures and "book". You should read through the entire lab at the start of each module.

Please follow the directions and make sure you provide the requested output. Failure to do so may result in a lower grade even if the code is correct or even 0 points.

- 1. Show all work/steps/calculations using Code and Markdown cells.
- 2. Submit your notebook (.ipynb).
- 3. You may use any core Python libraries or Numpy/Scipy. Additionally, code from the Module notebooks and lectures is fair to use and modify. You may also consult Stackoverflow (SO). If you use something from SO, please place a comment with the URL to document the code.

```
[3]: import numpy as np
  import scipy.stats as stats
  import seaborn as sns
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  import pandas as pd
  import random
  import patsy
  from patsy.highlevel import dmatrices
  import sklearn.linear_model as linear

  sns.set(style="whitegrid")
  # load whatever other libraries you need including models.py
```

This lab covers time series data. The exact flow may look a little different from the ETL/EDA/Modeling sequence that we've become familiar with from linear models, but we will follow the same general process. Complete each of the following according to the course notes in Module 15.

1.2 1: Load the data, cleaning and transforming if necessary.

```
[4]: df = pd.read_csv('https://raw.githubusercontent.com/

fundamentals-of-data-science/datasets/master/timeseries.csv')

# add the rest of your code below here
```

Let's look at the data

```
[5]: df.head()
```

```
[5]: date value
0 2019-01-01 64.51
1 2019-01-02 1.67
2 2019-01-03 84.41
3 2019-01-04 119.14
4 2019-01-05 20.78
```

```
[6]: df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 180 entries, 0 to 179
Data columns (total 2 columns):
    # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
--- 0 date 180 non-null object
1 value 180 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(1), object(1)
memory usage: 2.9+ KB
```

Only 2 columns with dates and values. We have 180 observations. I'm going to rearrange the time format. Note all the observations have the same year.

```
[7]: days_of_the_week = ["Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "Friday", 

⇔"Saturday", "Sunday"]
```

```
[8]: calendar = []

today = datetime(2018, 12, 31, 0, 0)
for _ in range(0, 180):
    today = today + timedelta(days=1)
    date = today.strftime("%m/%d/%y")
    day = days_of_the_week[today.weekday()]
    calendar.append((date, day))
```

It might be useful to look at the days of the week later. I'll concat them into our dataframe along with just the month and day

```
[9]: dates = pd.Series([i[0][:5] for i in calendar], name='date_trunc')
days = pd.Series([i[1] for i in calendar], name='day')
df = pd.concat([df, dates, days], axis=1)
```

Here is the adjusted dataframe

```
[10]: df
```

[10]:		date	value	date_trunc	day
	0	2019-01-01	64.51	01/01	Tuesday
	1	2019-01-02	1.67	01/02	Wednesday
	2	2019-01-03	84.41	01/03	Thursday
	3	2019-01-04	119.14	01/04	Friday
	4	2019-01-05	20.78	01/05	Saturday
		•••		•••	
	175	2019-06-25	178.84	06/25	Tuesday
	176	2019-06-26	354.54	06/26	Wednesday
	177	2019-06-27	279.00	06/27	Thursday
	178	2019-06-28	286.76	06/28	Friday
	179	2019-06-29	187.20	06/29	Saturday

[180 rows x 4 columns]

Good enough for now. Let's move on to EDA.

1.3 2: Perform EDA on the time variable and describe what kind of time series (trend, seasonality, etc).

Time is an ordered variable, technically numeric but we wouldn't traditionally perform mathematical operations on time series data.

Name: date, dtype: object

Here are the head and tail of the dataframe once again

```
[12]: df
```

```
[12]:
                         value date_trunc
                                                   day
                  date
                         64.51
                                     01/01
      0
           2019-01-01
                                               Tuesday
      1
           2019-01-02
                          1.67
                                     01/02
                                             Wednesday
           2019-01-03
                         84.41
                                     01/03
                                              Thursday
```

```
3
     2019-01-04
                 119.14
                               01/04
                                         Friday
4
                   20.78
                               01/05
                                       Saturday
     2019-01-05
     2019-06-25
                               06/25
                                        Tuesday
175
                  178.84
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     2019-06-26
                  354.54
                               06/26
                                      Wednesday
     2019-06-27
                                       Thursday
177
                  279.00
                               06/27
178
     2019-06-28
                 286.76
                               06/28
                                         Friday
     2019-06-29
179
                  187.20
                               06/29
                                       Saturday
```

[180 rows x 4 columns]

As such, we can't really get a mean, median, or other usual summary statistics.

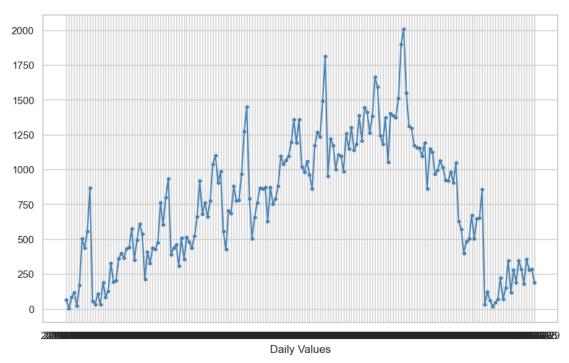
We see the date ranges we have are from Jan 1st 2019 to Jun 29th 2019, the first half of the year. Let's plot it to see what values we get for each date.

```
[13]: figure = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))

axes = figure.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)

axes.plot(df["date"], df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
axes.set_xlabel("Daily Values")

plt.show()
```



We definitely see a pattern here, we steadily increase until about 75% through the data, then start

decreasing. Here is another plot only showing by month, which might be easier to read:

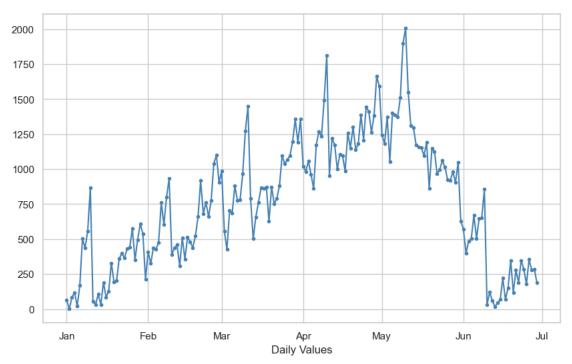
[14]: import matplotlib.dates as mdates

```
[15]: figure = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
    axes = figure.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)

axes.xaxis.set_major_locator(mdates.MonthLocator())
fmt = mdates.DateFormatter('%b')
    axes.xaxis.set_major_formatter(fmt)

axes.plot(df["date"], df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
    axes.set_xlabel("Daily Values")

plt.show()
```



A bit better. We see that values increase until beginning of May, then decrease afterwards, and rise a bit in Jun as well, following a sharp drop.

I'll consider this good enough for the purposes of our EDA. Let's move on to creating the models in the next step.

1.4 3: Create models with each of Simple Exponential Smoothing, Holts Trend Correction and Holts Winters Seasonality Adjustment. Choose an error (SSE, etc) and compare the three models. How are they different, and why?

We'll start with simple exponential smoothing. I'll take the average of the first 10 points since our data is fairly noisy. I'll start with an α of 0.5.

```
[16]: df['t'] = pd.Series(range(1, 181))

[17]: alpha = 0.5

n = len(df['value'])
    level = df['value'][0:10].mean()
    ses = [level]
    for i in range(1, n):
        level = level + alpha * (df['value'][i-1] - level)
        ses.append(level)
```

Let's look at a plot again compared to the original data

```
figure = plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 1)

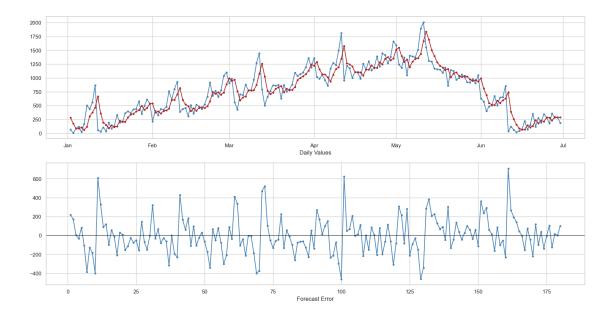
axes.xaxis.set_major_locator(mdates.MonthLocator())
fmt = mdates.DateFormatter('%b')
axes.xaxis.set_major_formatter(fmt)

axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "ses"], color="firebrick", marker=".")
axes.set_xlabel( "Daily Values")

axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 2)

axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "ses"] - df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
axes.axhline(y=0.0, xmin=0, xmax=40, c="black", alpha=0.5)
axes.set_xlabel( "Forecast Error")

plt.show()
```



Here we can see the smoothing from ses. The forecast errors seem to exhibit somewhat of a cyclic pattern, but no major upward/downward trends.

Now let's do Holts Trend Correction.

```
[19]: def lm( formula, data=None):
          if data is None:
              raise ValueError( "The parameter 'data' must be assigned a non-nil⊔
       ⇒reference to a Pandas DataFrame")
          result = {}
          result[ "formula"] = formula
          result[ "n"] = data.shape[ 0]
          y, X = dmatrices( formula, data, return_type="matrix")
          model = linear.LinearRegression( fit_intercept=False).fit( X, y)
          result[ "coefficients"] = model.coef_[ 0]
          result[ "r^2"] = model.score( X, y)
          y_hat = model.predict( X)
          result[ "residuals"] = y - y_hat
          sum_squared_error = sum([ e**2 for e in result[ "residuals"]])[ 0]
          n = len( result[ "residuals"])
          k = len( result[ "coefficients"])
```

```
result[ "sigma"] = np.sqrt( sum_squared_error / (n - k))
return result
```

```
def describe_fit( result):
    formula = result[ "formula"]
    print("regression: ", formula)
    print("n: ", result[ "n"])
    print("-----")
    variables = formula.split("~")[1].split( "+")
    variables = ["intercept"] + variables
    coefficients = result[ "coefficients"]
    for variable, coefficient in zip( variables, coefficients):
        print(variable.strip() + ": ", coefficient)
    print("-----")
    print("sigma", result[ "sigma"])
    print("R^2", result[ "r^2"])
```

```
[21]: def holts_one_step( alpha, gamma, level, trend, error):
          this_trend = trend + gamma * alpha * error
          this_level = level + trend + alpha * error
          return (this_trend, this_level)
      def holts_forecast( level_0, trend_0, alpha, gamma, actual):
          n = len(actual)
          trend, level = trend_0, level_0
          trends = []
          levels = []
          forecasts = []
          for i in range( 0, n):
              forecast = level + trend
              forecasts.append( forecast)
              error = actual[ i] - forecast
              trend, level = holts_one_step( alpha, gamma, level, trend, error)
              trends.append( trend)
              levels.append( level)
          return (pd.Series( forecasts), pd.Series( levels), pd.Series( trends))
```

We start by regressing time as our independent variable and values as our dependent variable in order to find an intercept/starting level.

```
[22]: describe_fit(lm('value ~ t', data=df.loc[0:30]))
```

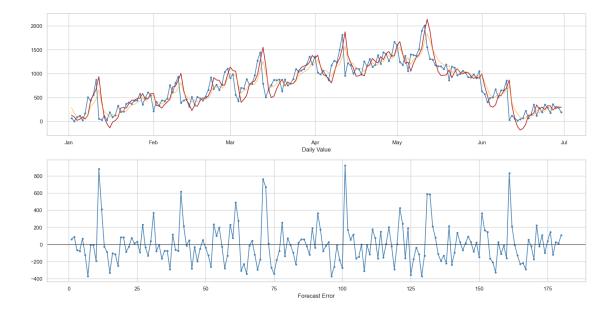
```
regression: value ~ t
n: 31
-----
intercept: 114.38516129032266
t: 10.908427419354837
-----
sigma 198.86938888826222
R^2 0.20464574007030012
```

We see intercept of 114.39 and slope of 10.9084. Now for the smoothing.

```
[23]: holts, levels, trends = holts_forecast(114.39, 10.9084, 0.5, 0.5, df[ "value"])
```

Now let's plot again

```
[24]: df[ "holts"] = holts
      df[ "holts_level"] = levels
      df[ "holts_trend"] = trends
      figure = plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
      axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 1)
      axes.xaxis.set_major_locator(mdates.MonthLocator())
      fmt = mdates.DateFormatter('%b')
      axes.xaxis.set_major_formatter(fmt)
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "holts"], color="firebrick")
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "ses"], color="darkorange", alpha=0.5)
      axes.set_xlabel( "Daily Value")
      axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 2)
      axes.plot(df["t"], df[ "holts"] - df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
      axes.axhline(y=0.0, xmin=0, xmax=40, c="black", alpha=0.5)
      axes.set_xlabel( "Forecast Error")
      plt.show()
```



Very interesting. I think the forecast error is slightly higher than with ses.

Finally let's create a model for Holts-Winters which includes seasonality. We start with finding moving averages. Let's use 15 days as our window (basically half a month).

```
[25]: ma_sales = df['value'].rolling(window=15, center=True).mean()

shifted_ma = []
for i in range(0, 181):
    current = None
    if 7 < i < 172:
        current = df["value"][ i-7:i+8].mean()
        shifted_ma_append( current)
    shifted_ma_sales = pd.Series( shifted_ma)</pre>
[26]: smoothed_sales = (ma_sales + shifted_ma_sales) / 2.0
```

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[26]: smoothed_sales = (ma_sales + shifted_ma_sales) / 2.0
smoothed_sales[172] = None

seasonal_factor_estimate = df[ "value"] / smoothed_sales
seasonal_factor_estimate[0:30]
```

```
[26]: 0
                    NaN
       1
                    NaN
       2
                   NaN
       3
                   NaN
       4
                   NaN
       5
                   NaN
       6
                   NaN
       7
                   NaN
```

```
8
      2.564082
9
      3.836202
10
      0.224706
11
      0.126020
12
      0.412970
13
      0.119562
14
      0.721087
15
      0.326481
16
      0.507409
17
      1.474398
18
      0.753366
19
      0.726282
20
      1.185543
21
      1.153631
22
      0.995783
23
      1.147002
24
      1.119017
25
      1.461702
26
      0.855580
27
      1.164083
28
      1.406158
29
      1.176989
dtype: float64
```

Sure. We have 163 values and need 15, so look for the indices.

```
[27]: initial_seasonal_factors = [
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[0, 16, 32]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[1, 17, 33]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[2, 18, 34]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[3, 19, 35]].mean(),
          seasonal factor estimate[[4, 20, 36]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[5, 21, 37]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[6, 22, 38]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[7, 23, 39]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[8, 24, 40]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[9, 25, 41]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[10, 26, 42]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[11, 27, 43]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[12, 28, 44]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[13, 29, 45]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[14, 30, 46]].mean(),
          seasonal_factor_estimate[[15, 31, 47]].mean()
      initial_seasonal_factors
```

```
1.1613958620636133,
       0.7836418600140784,
       0.8202005261131294,
       1.3523946503064268,
       1.1815725377360222,
       1.2837133584355724,
       1.4770485595202205,
       1.4744693521841727,
       2.042819204677536,
       0.647250109293286,
       0.6189842667230683,
       0.9112604117185996,
       0.64502548921687,
       0.6964849330467725,
       0.6806972015789926]
     Now to deseasonsalize the data like so
[28]: from copy import deepcopy
[29]: seasonal_factors = pd.Series(
                                       initial_seasonal_factors
                                       + deepcopy(initial_seasonal_factors)
                                       + deepcopy(initial_seasonal_factors)
                                   )
[30]: df[ "seasonal"] = seasonal_factors
      df[ "deseasonalized"] = df[ "value"] / df[ "seasonal"]
      print(df[["value", "deseasonalized"]])
                  deseasonalized
           value
     0
           64.51
                       115.169444
            1.67
     1
                         1.437925
     2
           84.41
                       107.715022
     3
          119.14
                       145.257161
     4
           20.78
                        15.365337
```

[27]: [0.560131210756337,

```
175 178.84
                      262.730623
     176 354.54
                      632.958837
     177 279.00
                      240.228168
     178 286.76
                      365.932468
     179 187.20
                      228.236869
     [180 rows x 2 columns]
     Now we fit the data with trend line
[31]: describe_fit( lm( "deseasonalized ~ t", data=df))
     regression: deseasonalized ~ t
     n: 180
     _____
     intercept: 571.384909046989
     t: 3.0296928328743227
     _____
     sigma 588.7420604102006
     R^2 0.06742684582273151
     We see initial level of 571.38 and slope of 3.0297.
[32]: def holt_winters_one_step( alpha, gamma, delta, level, trend, error, factor):
          this_factor = factor + delta * (1.0 - alpha) * error / ( level + trend)
          this_trend = trend + (gamma * alpha * error) / factor
          this_level = level + trend + (alpha * error) / factor
          return (this_factor, this_trend, this_level)
      def holt_winters_forecast( level_0, trend_0, alpha, gamma, delta, actual, __
       ⇔seasonality):
          n = len(actual)
          trend, level, factor = trend_0, level_0, seasonality[ 0]
          factors = []
          trends = []
          levels = []
          forecasts = []
          for i in range( 0, n):
              if i < 12:
                  factor = seasonality[ i]
              else:
                  factor = factors[ i - 12]
              forecast = (level + trend) * factor
              forecasts.append( forecast)
              error = actual[ i] - forecast
```

```
factor, trend, level = holt_winters_one_step( alpha, gamma, delta,u
elevel, trend, error, factor)

factors.append( factor)
    trends.append( trend)
    levels.append( level)

print(forecast, error, level, trend, factor)

return (pd.Series( forecasts), pd.Series( levels), pd.Series( trends), pd.
esseries( factors))
```

Now we can use our helper functions as found in the module notes.

```
[33]: winters, levels, trends, factors = holt_winters_forecast(571.38, 3.0297, 0.5, 0. 45, 0.0, df[ "value"], initial_seasonal_factors)
```

321.74480073118434 - 257.23480073118435 344.78957190193887 - 111.78036404903057 0.560131210756337

270.6159298230881 -268.9459298230881 117.22356636404744 -169.673184793461 1.1613958620636133

- -41.101716543054316 125.51171654305432 27.632701663083466 -129.63202474721248 0.7836418600140784
- -83.65989845678568 202.79989845678568 21.62891903480721 -67.81790368774438 0.8202005261131294
- -80.15923605402425 248.90923605402423 37.48849990865648 0.23550018954233565 1.1815725377360222
- 48.42680285968267 454.00319714031735 214.55599851784564 88.65149939936575 1.2837133584355724
- 447.8521980343474 -10.672198034347389 299.5948211485431 86.8451610150316 1.4770485595202205
- 569.7939101587892 -12.9539101587892 382.04724584131736 84.64879285390295 1.4744693521841727
- 953.3756305935265 -88.02563059352644 445.15090381691823 73.87622541475193 2.042819204677536
- 335.940366121379 -281.580366121379 301.50660503366845 -34.88403668424894 0.647250109293286
- 165.0351749615866 -133.9151749615866 158.4492413676694 -88.970700175124 0.6189842667230683
- 38.917099399764496 68.0829006002355 130.2526056374673 -58.58366795266305 0.560131210756337
- 83.23600766562662 -50.71600766562661 49.83486313613467 -69.50070522699784 1.1613958620636133

- 88.93518762531666 -3.9951876253166603 105.99553529263052 -4.852593428465456 0.8202005261131294
- 136.78517349335078 -9.035173493350783 97.80250662534496 -6.522811047875512 1.3523946503064268
- 107.85358154724214 221.67641845275784 185.08537037654094 40.38002635166023 1.1815725377360222
- 289.43294164496785 -94.85294164496784 188.52064538567305 21.90765068039616 1.2837133584355724
- 310.812811586682 -107.732811586682 173.95934895789964 3.6731771263113657 1.4770485595202205
- 261.9137156622248 100.25628433777524 211.62993816648412 20.671883167447927 1.4744693521841727
- 474.55062190252613 -77.81062190252612 213.2569098399634 11.149427420463612 2.042819204677536
- 145.24702631791737 220.25297368208263 394.5515180179634 96.22201779923179 0.647250109293286
- 303.7810971948941 127.06890280510595 593.4166154852898 147.54355763327905 0.6189842667230683
- 415.034918891129 26.29508110887099 764.4324244446154 159.27968329630232 0.560131210756337
- 1072.7954196683604 -496.74541966836046 709.8550431971696 52.35115102442823 1.1613958620636133
- 597.2966797540648 -246.14667975406485 605.1531497673093 -26.175371202716036 0.7836418600140784
- 474.87787858649034 20.212121413509635 591.2992297036783 -20.014645633173487 0.8202005261131294
- 772.6022152994829 -163.83221529948287 510.7134278394588 -50.300223748696496 1.3523946503064268
- 544.0115979646952 -5.8215979646951155 457.94970829225224 -51.53197164795152 1.1815725377360222
- 521.7238776354393 -308.0338776354393 286.44006576813564 -111.52080708603407 1.2837133584355724
- 258.36423906874296 150.77576093125703 225.95879965028493 -86.00103660194239 1.4770485595202205
- 206.36343221503557 118.73656778496445 180.2219325304266 -65.86895186090035 1.4744693521841727
- 233.60246502382728 205.89753497617272 164.74841813768785 -40.67123312681956 2.042819204677536
- 80.30897155908777 345.99102844091226 391.3548752523501 92.96761199392135 0.647250109293286
- 299.78799962562596 176.78200037437404 627.1225630141631 164.3676498778672 0.6189842667230683
- 443.33837124900384 318.3316287509961 1075.6483017808441 306.4466943222741 0.560131210756337
- 1605.1594094529873 -1001.2194094529873 951.0535906025073 90.92599157196858 1.1613958620636133
- 816.5388178718985 -16.678817871898445 1031.3377196586073 85.60506031403438 0.7836418600140784

- 916.117055771822 15.902944228177944 1126.637326441382 90.45233354840452 0.8202005261131294
- 1645.9855451134551 -1256.4055451134552 752.5782302718496 -141.8033813105639 1.3523946503064268
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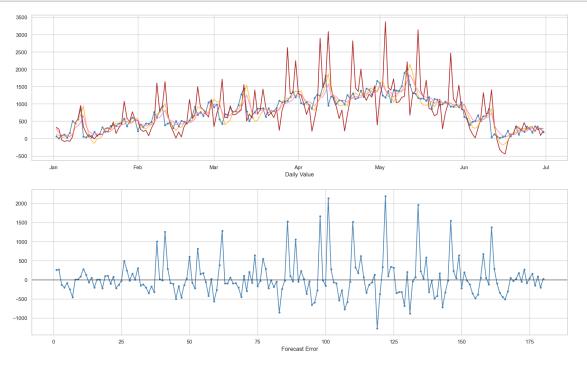
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[34]: df[ "winters"] = winters
      df[ "winters_level"] = levels
      df[ "winters_trend"] = trends
      df[ "winters_factors"] = factors
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737.4430162064965 118.12698379350354 971.1119204931928 69.00104796951739

Finally let's plot it

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[35]: figure = plt.figure(figsize=(20, 12))
      axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 1)
      axes.xaxis.set_major_locator(mdates.MonthLocator())
      fmt = mdates.DateFormatter('%b')
      axes.xaxis.set_major_formatter(fmt)
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".")
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "winters"], color="firebrick")
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "holts"], color="orange", alpha=0.75)
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "ses"], color="hotpink", alpha=0.75)
      axes.set_xlabel( "Daily Value")
      axes = figure.add_subplot(2, 1, 2)
      axes.plot( df["t"], df[ "winters"] - df[ "value"], color="steelblue", marker=".
       " )
      axes.axhline(y=0.0, xmin=0, xmax=40, c="black", alpha=0.5)
      axes.set_xlabel( "Forecast Error")
      plt.show()
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Forecast error looks high, but no obvious patterns otherwise.

Finally we can compare the SSE of the 3 models.

```
[36]: sse = ((df[ "ses"] - df[ "value"])**2.0).sum()
print(sse)
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7110719.622925861

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[37]: sse = ((df[ "holts"] - df[ "value"])**2.0).sum()
print(sse)
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9734958.41369099

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[38]: sse = ((df[ "winters"] - df[ "value"])**2.0).sum()
print(sse)
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47289680.31275396

The sse for SES was the smallest, while Holts and Holts-Winters kept increasing. For the latter 2 we did not find optimal values for α and γ , so these algorithms could be improved as we will see in the next part. This is consistent with the plot, where Holts-Winters showed much bigger peaks, which could also be me not setting up the cycles/parameters correctly to get proper values.

1.5 4: Choose one of the models and find its optimal parameters (ie,).

I'll choose the Holts Trend Correction to find optimal parameters for α and γ . Since we use SSE as our loss function, we can find optimal parameters using grid search.

- 0.1 9668371 9658021 10223737 10995890 11490820 11945158 12636876 13621227 14952151
- 0.2 8556401 9243296 10137535 11260385 12656856 14217400 15630565 16529571 16839805
- 0.3 8160857 8984281 9941736 10912227 11721464 12292740 12725814 13152874 13602004
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- 0.5 7624737 8278779 8869546 9356591 9755469 10090511 10380310 10649588 10927982
- 0.6 7511579 8102289 8625723 9074328 9471299 9843231 10215116 10607885 11034101
- 0.7 7523368 8095896 8616303 9093442 9553381 10020895 10514667 11045973 11619880
- $0.8 \quad \quad 7662349 \quad 8257810 \quad 8824146 \quad 9378440 \quad 9946383 \quad 10549436 \quad 11202912 \quad 11917724$

12703464

0.9 - 7932063 8589389 9245916 9923885 10649620 11445518 12330684 13323767 14445666

It seems that an α of 0.6 and γ of 0.1 is best here. We can increase granularity an do another search:

- 0.6 7212514 7271065 7330555 7390615 7451014 7511579 7572171 7632668 7692960 7752950 7812552
- 0.61 7209145 7267551 7326847 7386674 7446804 7507071 7567339 7627489 7687416 7747026 7806236
- 0.62 7206906 7265187 7324312 7383931 7443822 7503823 7563801 7623641 7683242 7742514 7801377
- 0.63 7205797 7263974 7322952 7382390 7442070 7501836 7561558 7621126 7680441 7739417 7797977
- 0.64 7205816 7263911 7322766 7382049 7441550 7501113 7560614 7619946 7679014 7737736 7796037
- 0.65 7206963 7264998 7323755 7382911 7442261 7501654 7560970 7620103 7678963 7737472 7795558
- 0.66 7209236 7267234 7325919 7384977 7444206 7503462 7562626 7621597 7680289 7738625 7796539
- 0.67 7212635 7270619 7329258 7388245 7447385 7506536 7565583 7624430 7682992 7741197 7798982
- 0.68 7217159 7275153 7333772 7392718 7451799 7510878 7569843 7628602 7687073 7745187 7802884
- 0.69 7222808 7280836 7339462 7398395 7457448 7516488 7575407 7634114 7692533 7750595 7808246

Here we see an α of 0.63 and γ of 0.05 is best. We could keep going but I'll leave it at that for now.

We can compare the original sse from using 0.5 for both parameters with the optimal parameters. Here's the original sse.

```
[41]: sse = ((df[ "holts"] - df[ "value"])**2.0).sum()
print(sse)
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9734958.41369099

And with optimal parameters.

```
[42]: holts, levels, trends = holts_forecast(114.39, 10.9084, 0.63, 0.05, df[__ \cdot \"value"])
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[44]: sse = ((df[ "holts"] - df[ "value"])**2.0).sum()
print(sse)
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7209236.814122682

We see the sse is reduced from 9.7 million down to 7.2 million, about a 25% reduction.

1.6 5: Finally, pick one of the models from above and forecast some future values.

I'll do 3 forecastings for the Holts Trend Correction since we just found optimal parameters for it. We can then compare with the actual values.

Here is the first

```
[45]: # t = 36 \ (index \ 35)
print('Forecast: ', round((df[ "holts_level"][35] + df[ "holts_trend"][35]), 2))
print('Actual: ', df['value'].iloc[35])
```

Forecast: 467.36 Actual: 476.57

Pretty close. And the second:

```
[46]: # t = 100 (index 99)
print('Forecast: ', round((df[ "holts_level"][99] + df[ "holts_trend"][99]), 2))
print('Actual: ', df['value'].iloc[99])
```

Forecast: 1717.42 Actual: 1811.12

Close enough? Perhaps, I'll consider it good enough for now. Finally the third which will be towards the end of the data:

```
[47]: # t = 154 (index 153)

print('Forecast: ', round((df[ "holts_level"][153] + df[ "holts_trend"][153]),

$\times 2)$)

print('Actual: ', df['value'].iloc[153])
```

Forecast: 438.36 Actual: 485.59 Not wildly off but not as close as what we saw for the first forecasted value. It could be interesting to go back and look at the same forecasted values using the initial α and γ values of 0.5, and compare with the optimal values.