

## Automate Time Series Forecasting using AutoTS

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## **What is Time Series Forecasting?**



Predicting future values based on historical time stamp data



#### **Weather Forecast**

Will it snow on Thursday?
What would be the
average temperature next
month?



#### **Sales Forecast**

What would be the sales of a given product in December?



#### **Predicting Stock Prices**

What would be the closing prices of AAPL and AMZN in the next 10 days?

# Time Series Forecasting Problems Can be Complex and Time Consuming

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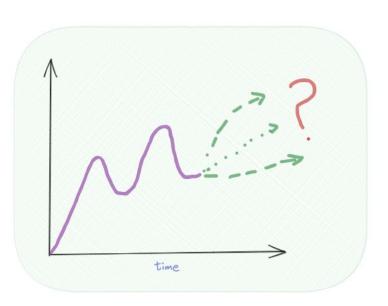
Don't know which model to choose from - Statistical, ML, ARIMA, Naïve, Exponential Smoothing, FB Prophet etc.



Several Parameters to tune.



Require extensive data prep - Data cleaning, Seasonal Adjustment, Feature engineering etc.



# What if... There was an easy way? AutoTS can automate the process and find the best time series forecasting model

#### **Open Source:**

Open Source Python Library to automate Time Series Forecasting Implementation

#### **Noob Friendly:**

Automatically train multiple time series models with just one line of code



## **AutoTS Can Find the Optimal Time Series Model**



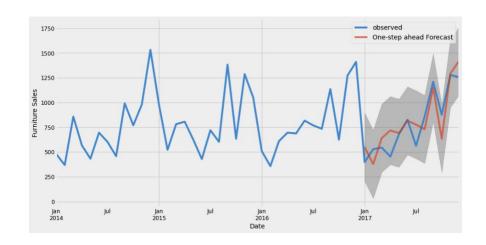
Has around 20 built-in models which make it powerful enough to work on any type of time-series data.



It can tune the parameters and automatically select the best model.



Ability to handle messy data by learning optimal NaN imputation and outlier removal.



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Loading the required packages in Python and preparing the data

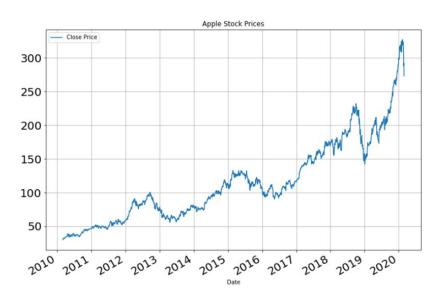
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# Loading the package
from autots import AutoTS
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd

# Reading the data
df = pd.read_csv('../input/apple-aapl-historical-stock-data/HistoricalQuotes.csv')

# Doing some preprocessing
def remove_dollar(x):
    return x[2:]
df[' Close/Last'] = df[' Close/Last'].apply(remove_dollar)
df[' Close/Last'] = df[' Close/Last'].astype(float)
df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Date'])
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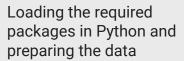
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This is how the Time Series looks like (Apple Stock Price)

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Defining the AutoTS function and fitting the model



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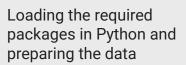
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100s of models with different parameters are run with just 1 line of code

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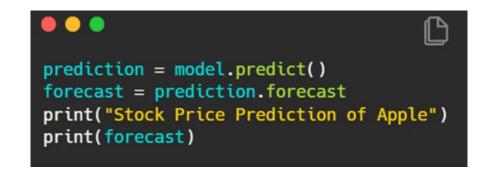


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Making predictions with the best model (automatically)



Best model is chosen automatically! We can select any individual model for prediction too

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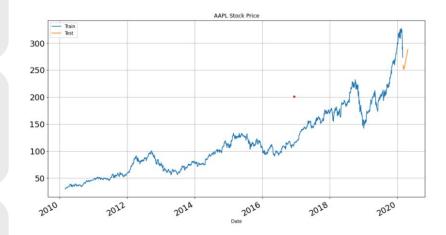
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After plotting the predicted data

#### Stock Price Prediction of Apple Close/Last 2020-03-02 258.796000 2020-03-03 256.887843 2020-03-04 255.718292 2020-03-05 254.331729 2020-03-06 254.171729 2020-03-09 251.770756 2020-03-10 252,930442 2020-03-11 251.745526 2020-03-12 253,620329 2020-03-13 252.026865 2020-03-16 253,442820 2020-03-17 254.372863 2020-03-18 255.658565 2020-03-19 256.944267 2020-03-20 255.976983 2020-03-23 259.317484 2020-03-24 259.715370 2020-03-25 261.700232 2020-03-26 261.894274 2020-03-27 262.809190 2020-03-30 265.230873 2020-03-31 266.481334 2020-04-01 267.775662 2020-04-02 268.705705 2020-04-03 270.000033 2020-04-06 272.421716 2020-04-07 273.336632 2020-04-08 274.251548 275.181591 2020-04-09 2020-04-10 276.111634 2020-04-13 278.372463 2020-04-14 279.287379

## **Advantages of AutoTS**



#### **For Newbies**

Accurate and Effective Time Series forecasting even for newbies



#### **Save Time**

Do hours worth of experimentation in minutes



#### **Complex made Easy**

Easy model selection and parameter tuning for Advanced Analysts

## **Applications in Various Industries**



#### Financial and Business Domain

Stock Price Prediction, Options/Pricing Trading, Portfolio Construction



#### Public Health Domain

Covid cases, weekly admissions to an emergency department



#### Astronomy Domain

Observing Novel
Phenomenon,
Classifying
Astronomical
Objects



#### Business Development

Sales Growth, Trend Estimation and Seasonal Patterns



## Weather/Climate Forecasting

Predicting long term temperature change,, global warming effects, daily/hour weather forecast

### **Business Cases**

## Uber

Predict number of trips during special events, driver incentive allocation, as well as real-time anomaly detection across millions of metrics



Do the weekly revenue forecasts at a branch/ store level, ensuring that the annual sales target can be achieved smoothly

## NETFLIX

Analyze the viewing data and provides real time accurate bookmarks and personalized recommendations



Build demand forecasts through vehicle sales and maintenance data, reducing inventory and logistics costs caused by surplus

# THANK YOU