

# STAT 443: Lab 8

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```
#import data
data = read_csv("souvenir.txt", col_names = FALSE)

##
## -- Column specification -----
## cols(
##   X1 = col_double()
## )

data

## # A tibble: 84 x 1
##       X1
##   <dbl>
## 1 1665.
## 2 2398.
## 3 2841.
## 4 3547.
## 5 3753.
## 6 3715.
## 7 4350.
## 8 3566.
## 9 5022.
## 10 6423.
## # ... with 74 more rows

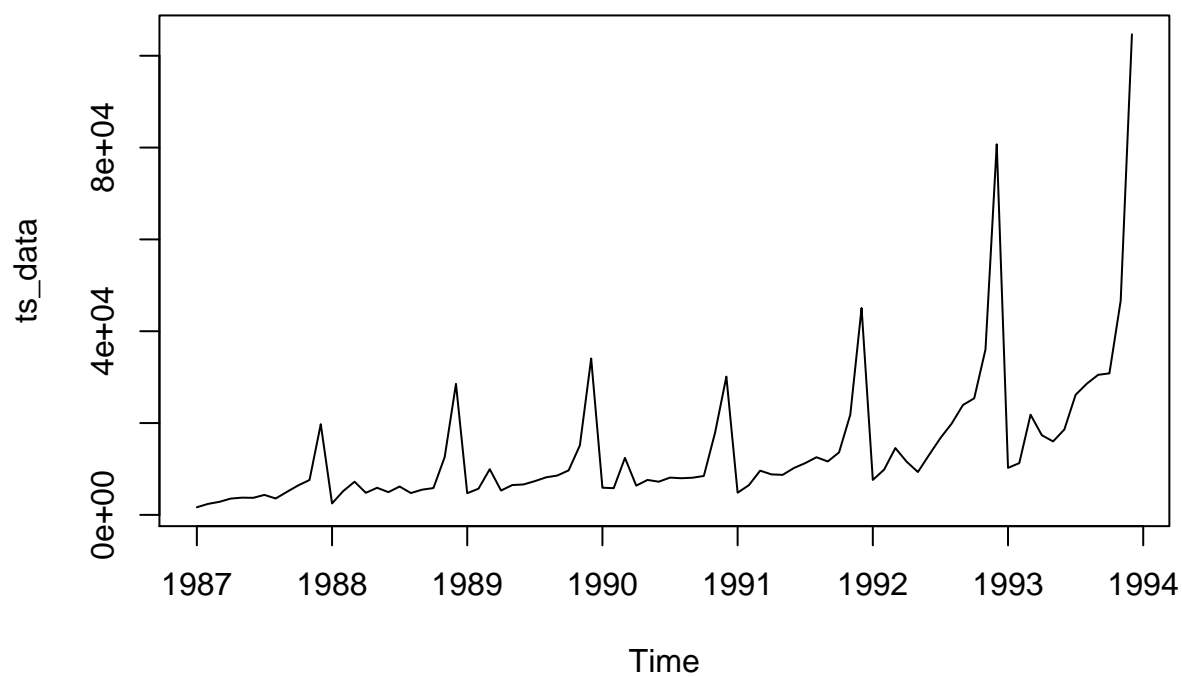
ts_data = ts(data=data$X1, start = c(1987, 1), frequency = 12)
```

Data from January 1987–December 1993

1. Plot the time series and its acf and comment on what you see. If you deduce there is a seasonal effect, is it additive or multiplicative?

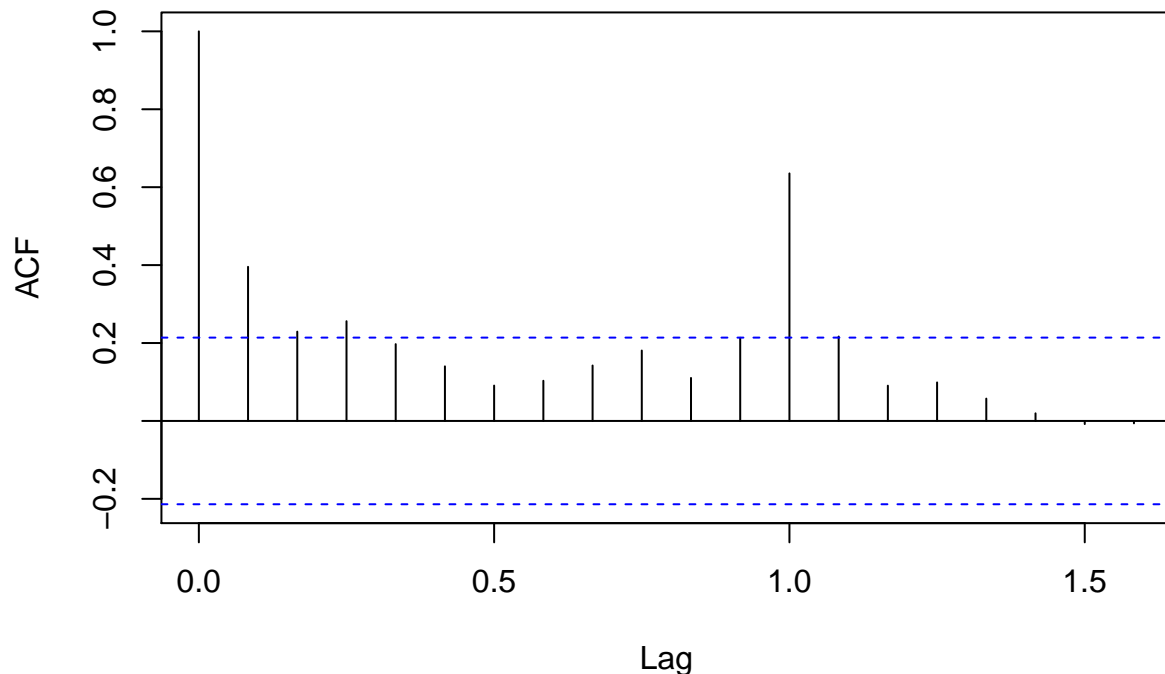
```
plot(ts_data, main = "Monthly Sales Over Time")
```

## Monthly Sales Over Time



```
acf(ts_data)
```

## Series ts\_data



From the observed time series plot, we can see that there appears to be an exponential trend, which indicates a multiplicative seasonal effect. From the acf, we can observe a spike at lag 12, which indicates that there is a seasonal effect of period 12.

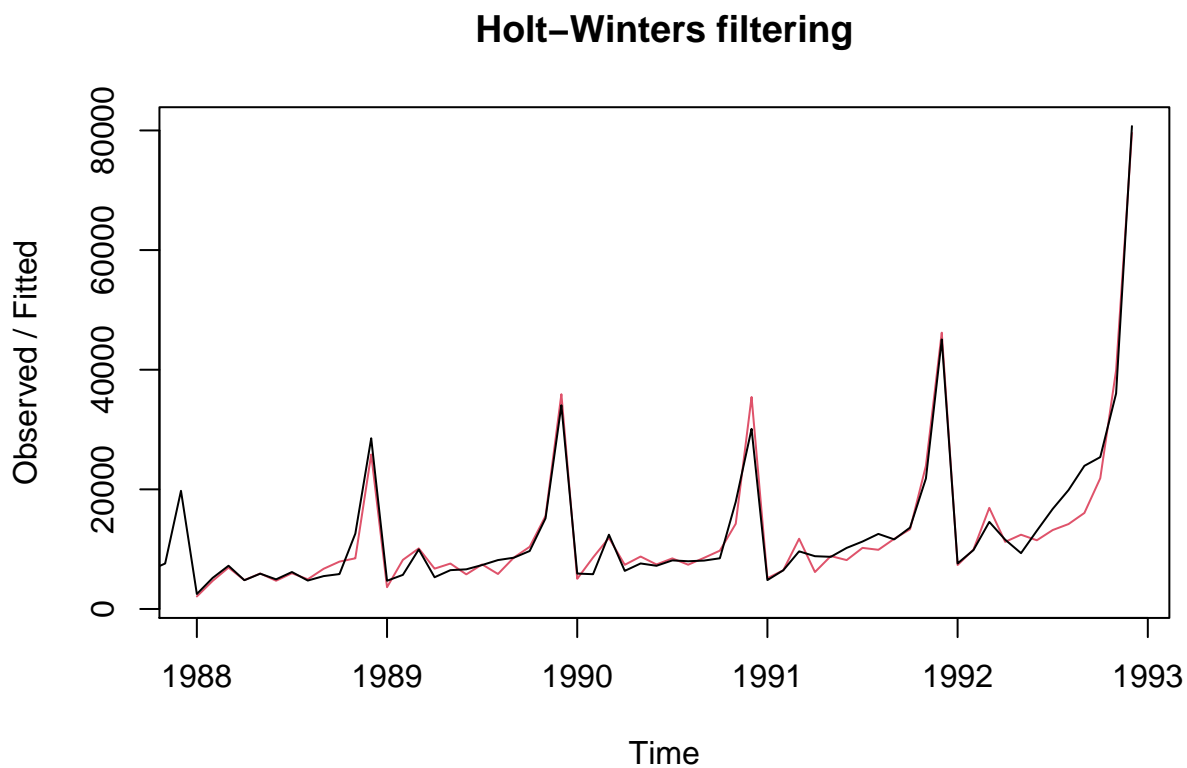
2. Extract the time series of sales figures between January 1987 to December 1992 (you can use the window command for this, or otherwise). Fit a prediction model based on the data from January 1987 to December 1992 using the R function HoltWinters(). Set the options according to what you decided above. Provide the parameter values for your smoothing model. Plot the fitted model.

```
extracted = window(ts_data, start = c(1987, 1), end = c(1992, 12))
Holtwinters = HoltWinters(extracted, alpha = NULL, beta = NULL, gamma = NULL, seasonal = "multiplicative")
Holtwinters

## Holt-Winters exponential smoothing with trend and multiplicative seasonal component.
##
## Call:
## HoltWinters(x = extracted, alpha = NULL, beta = NULL, gamma = NULL,      seasonal = "multiplicative")
##
## Smoothing parameters:
##  alpha: 0.3469842
##  beta : 0.07501578
##  gamma: 0.5711478
##
## Coefficients:
##           [,1]
## a  2.758252e+04
```

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## b 8.079173e+02
## s1 4.676809e-01
## s2 6.030877e-01
## s3 9.592971e-01
## s4 7.056491e-01
## s5 6.754072e-01
## s6 7.911595e-01
## s7 8.912119e-01
## s8 8.937350e-01
## s9 8.856460e-01
## s10 9.134738e-01
## s11 1.392572e+00
## s12 2.915102e+00
```

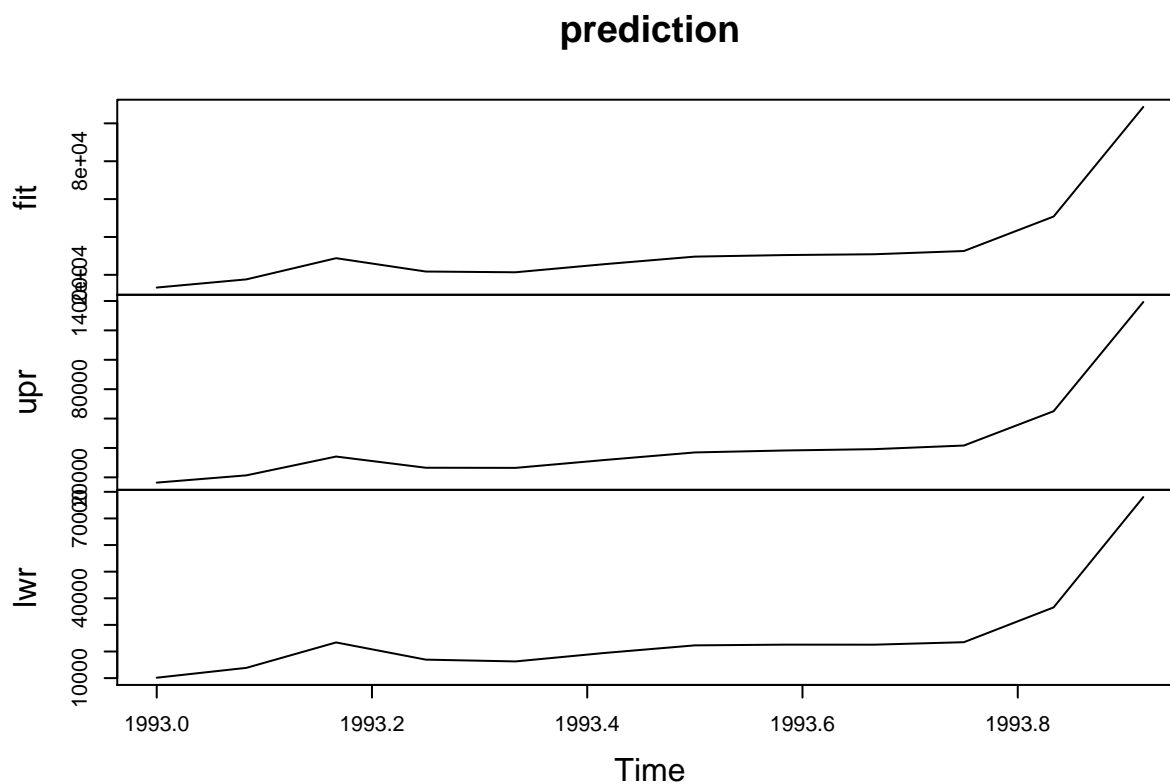
```
plot(Holtwinters)
```



The smoothing parameters are: alpha: 0.3469842 beta : 0.07501578 gamma: 0.5711478

- Now use the prediction model from above to predict monthly sales from January 1993 to December 1993 via the predict function. Plot the predicted values along with 95% prediction intervals. Provide the forecast values for the first three months of 1993.

```
prediction = predict(Holtwinters, n.ahead=12, prediction.interval = TRUE, level=0.95)
plot(prediction)
```

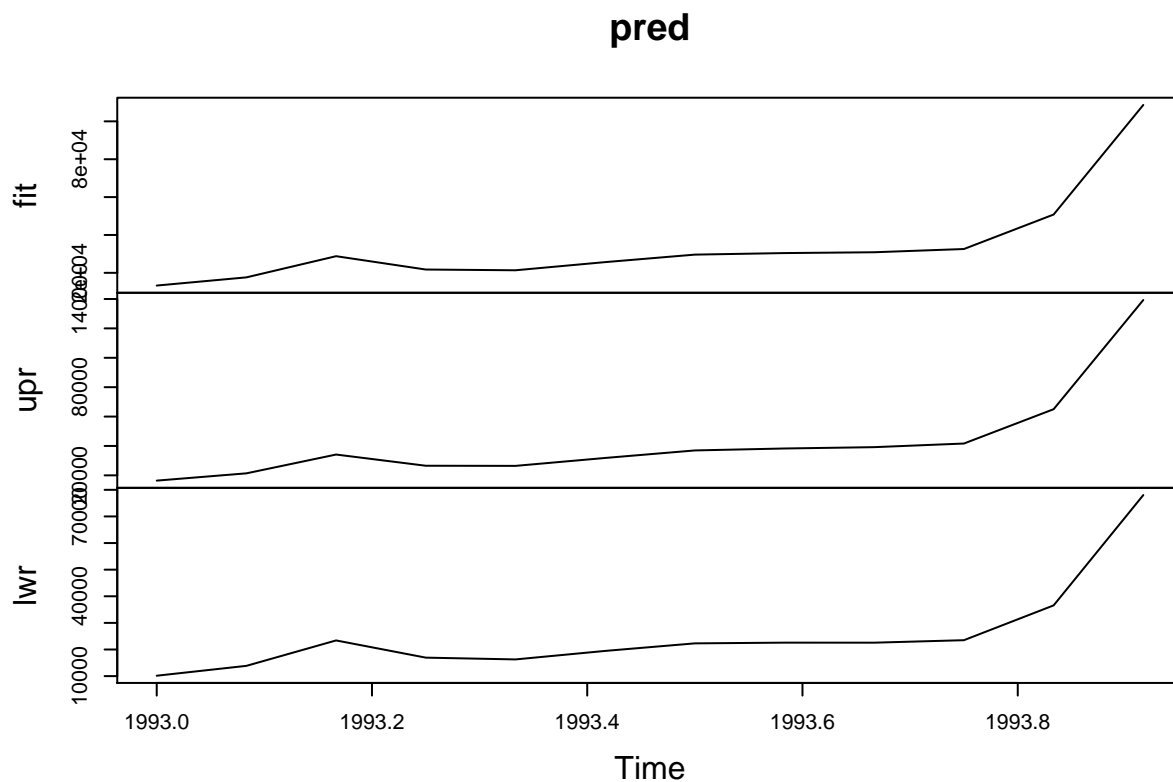


prediction

##		fit	upr	lwr
##	Jan 1993	13277.67	16397.24	10158.10
##	Feb 1993	17609.17	21360.94	13857.41
##	Mar 1993	28784.94	34162.65	23407.23
##	Apr 1993	21744.01	26535.79	16952.23
##	May 1993	21357.80	26440.12	16275.49
##	Jun 1993	25657.32	31837.00	19477.65
##	Jul 1993	29622.05	36940.18	22303.93
##	Aug 1993	30427.98	38276.06	22579.90
##	Sep 1993	30868.11	39171.61	22564.62
##	Oct 1993	32576.03	41649.05	23503.01
##	Nov 1993	50786.55	65002.41	36570.70
##	Dec 1993	108667.82	139313.85	78021.79

The first three forecast values are 13277.67, 17609.17, and 28784.94 for Jan, Feb and March.

```
pred = predict(Holtwinters, n.ahead=12, prediction.interval = TRUE, level=0.95)
plot(pred)
```



4. Do the observed values for the first three months of 1993 fall inside their corresponding 95% prediction intervals?

```
window(x =ts_data, start = c(1993,1), end = c(1993,12)) #observed values
```

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
## 1993	10243.24	11266.88	21826.84	17357.33	15997.79	18601.53	26155.15
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		
## 1993	28586.52	30505.41	30821.33	46634.38	104660.67		

The observed value for January falls inside the 95% prediction interval, but not February and March.

5. If you were to perform a transformation on the time series, what would you consider and why?

For Holt Winters forecasting, prediction intervals are easier to calculate when working with an additive model. We can use a log transform to turn this multiplicative seasonal effect model into an additive one.