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# ETC3550/ETC5550 Applied forecasting

Ch8. Exponential smoothing OTexts.org/fpp3/



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## **Historical perspective**

- Developed in the 1950s and 1960s as methods (algorithms) to produce point forecasts.
- Combine a "level", "trend" (slope) and "seasonal" component to describe a time series.
- The rate of change of the components are controlled by "smoothing parameters":  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  respectively.
- Need to choose best values for the smoothing parameters (and initial states).
- Equivalent ETS state space models developed in the 1990s and 2000s.

# Big idea: control the rate of change

 $\alpha$  controls the flexibility of the **level** 

- If  $\alpha$  = 0, the level never updates (mean)
- If  $\alpha$  = 1, the level updates completely (naive)

 $\beta$  controls the flexibility of the **trend** 

- If  $\beta$  = 0, the trend is linear
- If  $\beta$  = 1, the trend changes suddenly every observation

 $\gamma$  controls the flexibility of the **seasonality** 

- If  $\gamma$  = 0, the seasonality is fixed (seasonal means)
- If  $\gamma = 1$ , the seasonality updates completely (seasonal naive)

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How do the level, trend and seasonal components evolve over time?

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- Want something in between these methods.
- Most recent data should have more weight.

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	Ут	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8
	$y_{T-1}$	0.16	0.24	0.24	0.16
	<b>y</b> <sub>T-2</sub>	0.128	0.144	0.096	0.032
	<b>y</b> <sub>T-3</sub>	0.1024	0.0864	0.0384	0.0064
	<b>y</b> <sub>T-4</sub>	$(0.2)(0.8)^4$	$(0.4)(0.6)^4$	$(0.6)(0.4)^4$	$(0.8)(0.2)^4$
ı	<b>Y</b> <sub>T-5</sub>	$(0.2)(0.8)^5$	$(0.4)(0.6)^5$	$(0.6)(0.4)^5$	$(0.8)(0.2)^5$

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Iterate to get exponentially weighted moving average form.

## Weighted average form

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{T+1|T} = \sum_{j=0}^{T-1} \alpha (\mathbf{1} - \alpha)^j \mathbf{y}_{T-j} + (\mathbf{1} - \alpha)^T \ell_0$$

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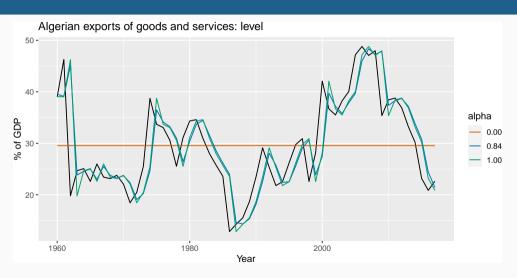
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- For Algerian Exports example:
  - $\hat{\alpha} = 0.8400$
  - $\hat{\ell}_0 = 39.54$



#### Models and methods

#### **Methods**

Algorithms that return point forecasts.

#### Models

- Generate same point forecasts but can also generate forecast distributions.
- A stochastic (or random) data generating process that can generate an entire forecast distribution.
- Allow for "proper" model selection.

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#### **Error correction form**

$$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + e_t$$
  

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Specify probability distribution for  $e_t$ , we assume  $e_t = \varepsilon_t \sim \text{NID}(0, \sigma^2)$ .

Measurement equation 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}_t &= \ell_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \\ \text{State equation} \end{aligned} \qquad \qquad \ell_t &= \ell_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varepsilon_t \sim \text{NID}(0, \sigma^2)$ .

- "innovations" or "single source of error" because equations have the same error process,  $\varepsilon_t$ .
- Measurement equation: relationship between observations and states.
- State equation(s): evolution of the state(s) through time.

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Models with additive and multiplicative errors with the same parameters generate the same point forecasts but different prediction intervals.

# ETS(A,N,N): Specifying the model

```
ETS(y ~ error("A") + trend("N") + season("N"))
```

By default, an optimal value for  $\alpha$  and  $\ell_0$  is used.

 $\alpha$  can be chosen manually in trend().

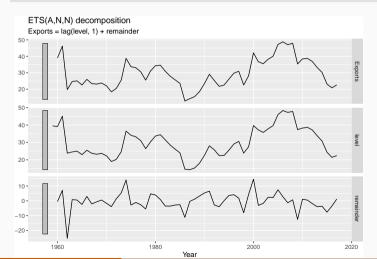
```
trend("N", alpha = 0.5)
trend("N", alpha_range = c(0.2, 0.8))
```

## **Example: Algerian Exports**

```
algeria economy <- global economy |>
 filter(Country == "Algeria")
fit <- algeria_economy |>
 model(ANN = ETS(Exports ~ error("A") + trend("N") + season("N")))
report(fit)
## Series: Exports
## Model: ETS(A,N,N)
    Smoothing parameters:
##
   alpha = 0.84
##
##
   Initial states:
##
## l[0]
## 39.5
##
    sigma^2: 35.6
##
##
## ATC ATCC BTC
```

# **Example: Algerian Exports**

#### components(fit) |> autoplot()

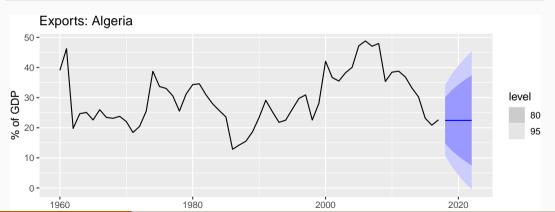


## **Example: Algerian Exports**

```
components(fit) |>
 left_join(fitted(fit), by = c("Country", ".model", "Year"))
## # A dable: 59 x 7 [1Y]
## # Key: Country, .model [1]
## # : Exports = lag(level, 1) + remainder
## Country .model Year Exports level remainder .fitted
   <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
##
   1 Algeria ANN 1959 NA
                             39.5 NA
##
                                             NA
##
   2 Algeria ANN 1960 39.0 39.1 -0.496
                                             39.5
   3 Algeria ANN 1961 46.2 45.1 7.12
                                             39.1
##
   4 Algeria ANN
                  1962 19.8 23.8
##
                                   -25.3
                                             45.1
##
   5 Algeria ANN
                  1963
                         24.7 24.6 0.841
                                             23.8
   6 Algeria ANN
                  1964
                         25.1 25.0 0.534
                                             24.6
##
   7 Algeria ANN
                         22.6 23.0 -2.39
                                             25.0
##
                  1965
   8 Algeria ANN
                         26.0 25.5 3.00
##
                  1966
                                             23.0
##
   9 Algeria ANN
                  1967
                         23.4 23.8 -2.07
                                             25.5
## 10 Algeria ANN
                  1968
                         23 1 23 2
                                    -0 630
                                             23 8
```

### **Example: Algerian Exports**

```
fit |>
  forecast(h = 5) |>
  autoplot(algeria_economy) +
  labs(y = "% of GDP", title = "Exports: Algeria")
```



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$$\ell_t = \alpha \mathbf{y}_t + (\mathbf{1} - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$$
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$$b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (\mathbf{1} - \beta^*)b_{t-1},$$

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- Two smoothing parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta^*$  (0  $\leq \alpha, \beta^* \leq 1$ ).
- $\ell_t$  level: weighted average between  $y_t$  and one-step ahead forecast for time t,  $(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} = \hat{y}_{t|t-1})$
- $b_t$  slope: weighted average of  $(\ell_t \ell_{t-1})$  and  $b_{t-1}$ , current and previous estimate of slope.
- Choose  $\alpha, \beta^*, \ell_0, b_0$  to minimise SSE.

### ETS(A,A,N)

Holt's linear method with additive errors.

- Assume  $\varepsilon_t = \mathsf{y}_t \ell_{t-1} b_{t-1} \sim \mathsf{NID}(0, \sigma^2)$ .
- Substituting into the error correction equations for Holt's linear method

$$y_{t} = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}$$
$$\ell_{t} = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_{t}$$
$$b_{t} = b_{t-1} + \alpha \beta^{*} \varepsilon_{t}$$

For simplicity, set  $\beta = \alpha \beta^*$ .

# **Exponential smoothing: trend/slope**

### ETS(M,A,N)

Holt's linear method with multiplicative errors.

- Assume  $\varepsilon_t = \frac{y_t (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})}{(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})}$
- Following a similar approach as above, the innovations state space model underlying Holt's linear method with multiplicative errors is specified as

where again  $\beta = \alpha \beta^*$  and  $\varepsilon_t \sim \text{NID}(0, \sigma^2)$ .

## ETS(A,A,N): Specifying the model

```
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By default, optimal values for  $\beta$  and  $b_0$  are used.

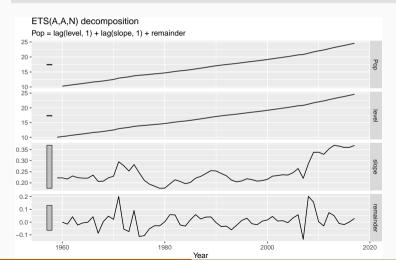
 $\beta$  can be chosen manually in trend().

```
trend("A", beta = 0.004)
trend("A", beta_range = c(0, 0.1))
```

```
aus_economy <- global_economy |>
  filter(Code == "AUS") |>
  mutate(Pop = Population / 1e6)
fit <- aus_economy |>
  model(AAN = ETS(Pop ~ error("A") + trend("A") + season("N")))
report(fit)
```

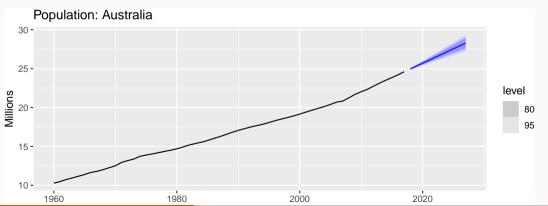
```
## Series: Pop
## Model: ETS(A,A,N)
## Smoothing parameters:
## alpha = 1
## beta = 0.327
##
## Initial states:
## [0] b[0]
## 10.1 0.222
##
## ## sigma^2: 0.0041
```

#### components(fit) |> autoplot()



```
components(fit) |>
 left join(fitted(fit), by = c("Country", ".model", "Year"))
## # A dable: 59 x 8 [1Y]
## # Key: Country, .model [1]
## #: Pop = lag(level, 1) + lag(slope, 1) + remainder
## Country .model Year Pop level slope remainder .fitted
## <fct> <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                   <dbl>
## 1 Australia AAN 1959 NA 10.1 0.222 NA
                                                 NA
## 2 Australia AAN 1960 10.3 10.3 0.222 -0.000145 10.3
## 3 Australia AAN 1961 10.5 10.5 0.217 -0.0159 10.5
## 4 Australia AAN 1962 10.7 10.7 0.231 0.0418
                                                   10.7
##
   5 Australia AAN 1963 11.0 11.0 0.223 -0.0229
                                                   11.0
   6 Australia AAN
                    1964 11.2 11.2 0.221 -0.00641
                                                   11.2
##
## 7 Australia AAN
                    1965 11.4 11.4 0.221 -0.000314
                                                  11.4
## 8 Australia AAN
                    1966 11.7 11.7 0.235 0.0418
                                                   11.6
## 9 Australia AAN
                    1967 11.8 11.8 0.206 -0.0869
                                                   11.9
## 10 Australia AAN
                    1968 12 0 12 0 0 208 0 00350
                                                    12 0
```

```
fit |>
  forecast(h = 10) |>
  autoplot(aus_economy) +
  labs(y = "Millions", title = "Population: Australia")
```



### **Damped trend method**

#### **Component form**

$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = \ell_t + (\phi + \phi^2 + \dots + \phi^h)b_t$$

$$\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$$

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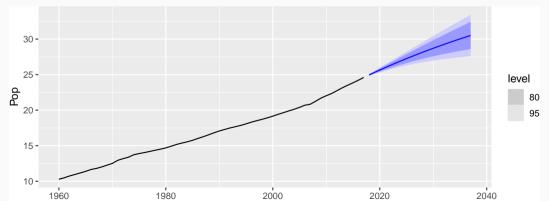
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- Damping parameter  $0 < \phi < 1$ .
- If  $\phi$  = 1, identical to Holt's linear trend.
- As  $h \to \infty$ ,  $\hat{y}_{T+h|T} \to \ell_T + \phi b_T/(1-\phi)$ .
- Short-run forecasts trended, long-run forecasts constant.

```
aus_economy |>
  model(holt = ETS(Pop ~ error("A") + trend("Ad") + season("N"))) |>
  forecast(h = 20) |>
  autoplot(aus_economy)
```



```
fit <- aus_economy |>
  filter(Year <= 2010) |>
model(
   ses = ETS(Pop ~ error("A") + trend("N") + season("N")),
  holt = ETS(Pop ~ error("A") + trend("A") + season("N")),
  damped = ETS(Pop ~ error("A") + trend("Ad") + season("N"))
)
```

```
tidy(fit)
accuracy(fit)
```

term	SES	Linear trend	Damped trend
$\alpha$	1.00	1.00	1.00
$eta^*$		0.30	0.40
$\phi$			0.98
NA		0.22	0.25
NA	10.28	10.05	10.04
Training RMSE	0.24	0.06	0.07
Test RMSE	1.63	0.15	0.21
Test MASE	6.18	0.55	0.75
Test MAPE	6.09	0.55	0.74
Test MAE	1.45	0.13	0.18

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#### Holt-Winters additive method

Holt and Winters extended Holt's method to capture seasonality.

#### **Component form**

$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = \ell_t + hb_t + s_{t+h-m(k+1)}$$

$$\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$$

$$b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$$

$$s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1} - b_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$$

- k = integer part of (h-1)/m. Ensures estimates from the final year are used for forecasting.
- Parameters:  $0 \le \alpha \le 1$ ,  $0 \le \beta^* \le 1$ ,  $0 \le \gamma \le 1 \alpha$  and m = period of seasonality (e.g. m = 4 for quarterly data).

#### Holt-Winters additive method

Seasonal component is usually expressed as

$$s_t = \gamma^* (y_t - \ell_t) + (1 - \gamma^*) s_{t-m}.$$

■ Substitute in for  $\ell_t$ :

$$s_t = \gamma^* (1 - \alpha)(y_t - \ell_{t-1} - b_{t-1}) + [1 - \gamma^* (1 - \alpha)]s_{t-m}$$

- We set  $\gamma = \gamma^*(1 \alpha)$ .
- The usual parameter restriction is  $0 \le \gamma^* \le 1$ , which translates to  $0 \le \gamma \le (1 \alpha)$ .

# **Exponential smoothing: seasonality**

### ETS(A,A,A)

Holt-Winters additive method with additive errors.

Forecast equation 
$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = \ell_t + hb_t + s_{t+h-m(k+1)}$$
 Observation equation 
$$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$$
 State equations 
$$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$$
 
$$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t$$
 
$$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t$$

- Forecast errors:  $\varepsilon_t = y_t \hat{y}_{t|t-1}$
- $\blacksquare$  k is integer part of (h-1)/m.

### Holt-Winters multiplicative method

Seasonal variations change in proportion to the level of the series.

#### **Component form**

$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = (\ell_t + hb_t)s_{t+h-m(k+1)}$$

$$\ell_t = \alpha \frac{y_t}{s_{t-m}} + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$$

$$b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$$

$$s_t = \gamma \frac{y_t}{(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})} + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$$

- $\blacksquare$  k is integer part of (h-1)/m.
- Additive method:  $s_t$  in absolute terms within each year  $\sum_i s_i \approx 0$ .
- Multiplicative method:  $s_t$  in relative terms within each year  $\sum_i s_i \approx m$ .

### ETS(M,A,M)

Holt-Winters multiplicative method with multiplicative errors.

Forecast equation 
$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = (\ell_t + hb_t)s_{t+h-m(k+1)}$$
 Observation equation 
$$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})s_{t-m}(1 + \varepsilon_t)$$
 State equations 
$$\ell_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_t)$$
 
$$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})\varepsilon_t$$
 
$$s_t = s_{t-m}(1 + \gamma \varepsilon_t)$$

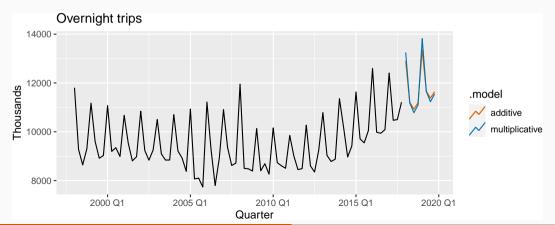
- Forecast errors:  $\varepsilon_t = (y_t \hat{y}_{t|t-1})/\hat{y}_{t|t-1}$
- $\blacksquare$  k is integer part of (h-1)/m.

### **Example: Australian holiday tourism**

```
aus_holidays <- tourism |>
  filter(Purpose == "Holiday") |>
  summarise(Trips = sum(Trips))
fit <- aus_holidays |>
  model(
   additive = ETS(Trips ~ error("A") + trend("A") + season("A")),
   multiplicative = ETS(Trips ~ error("M") + trend("A") + season("M"))
)
fc <- fit |> forecast()
```

### **Example: Australian holiday tourism**

```
fc |>
  autoplot(aus_holidays, level = NULL) +
  labs(y = "Thousands", title = "Overnight trips")
```

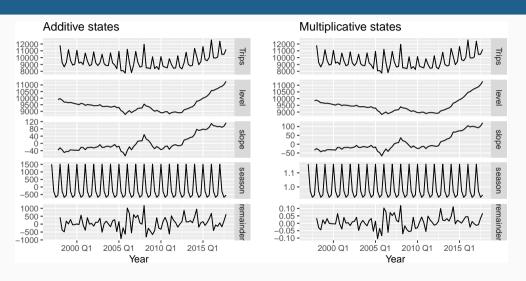


### **Estimated components**

#### components(fit)

```
## # A dable: 168 x 7 [10]
  # Kev:
            .model [2]
## # :
     Trips = lag(level, 1) + lag(slope, 1) + lag(season, 4) +
## # remainder
     .model Quarter Trips level slope season remainder
##
## <chr> <atr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 additive 1997 01 NA
                           NA NA 1512. NA
   2 additive 1997 Q2 NA NA NA -290.
##
                                              NA
   3 additive 1997 03 NA NA NA -684.
                                              NA
##
   4 additive 1997 04 NA 9899. -37.4 -538. NA
##
##
   5 additive 1998 01 11806. 9964. -24.5 1512. 433.
##
   6 additive 1998 02 9276. 9851. -35.6 -290.
                                             -374.
##
   7 additive 1998 03 8642, 9700, -50.2 -684.
                                             -489.
##
   8 additive 1998 04 9300. 9694. -44.6 -538.
                                            188.
```

### **Estimated components**



### **Holt-Winters damped method**

Often the single most accurate forecasting method for seasonal data:

$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = [\ell_t + (\phi + \phi^2 + \dots + \phi^h)b_t]s_{t+h-m(k+1)}$$

$$\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$$

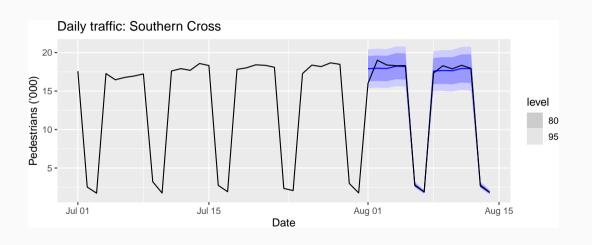
$$b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)\phi b_{t-1}$$

$$s_t = \gamma \frac{y_t}{(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})} + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$$

### Holt-Winters with daily data

```
sth_cross_ped <- pedestrian |>
 filter(
    Date >= "2016-07-01",
    Sensor == "Southern Cross Station"
 ) |>
 index_by(Date) |>
  summarise(Count = sum(Count) / 1000)
sth cross ped |>
 filter(Date <= "2016-07-31") |>
 model(
   hw = ETS(Count ~ error("M") + trend("Ad") + season("M"))
 ) |>
 forecast(h = "2 weeks") |>
 autoplot(sth_cross_ped |> filter(Date <= "2016-08-14")) +</pre>
 labs(
    title = "Daily traffic: Southern Cross",
    v = "Pedestrians ('000)"
```

## Holt-Winters with daily data



### **Outline**

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- 6 Forecasting with exponential smoothing

## **Exponential smoothing methods**

		Seasonal Component		
	Trend	N	Α	М
	Component	(None)	(Additive)	(Multiplicative)
Ν	(None)	(N,N)	(N,A)	(N,M)
Α	(Additive)	(A,N)	(A,A)	(A,M)
$A_{d}$	(Additive damped)	$(A_d,N)$	$(A_d,A)$	$(A_d, M)$

(N,N): Simple exponential smoothing

(A,N): Holt's linear method

(A<sub>d</sub>,N): Additive damped trend method (A,A): Additive Holt-Winters' method

(A,M): Multiplicative Holt-Winters' method

(A<sub>d</sub>,M): Damped multiplicative Holt-Winters' method

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There are also multiplicative trend methods (not recommended).

# ETS models

Add	litive Error	Seasonal Component		
	Trend	N	Α	М
	Component	(None)	(Additive)	(Multiplicative)
Ν	(None)	A,N,N	A,N,A	A,N,M
Α	(Additive)	A,A,N	A,A,A	A,A,M
$A_d$	(Additive damped)	$A,A_d,N$	$A,A_d,A$	$A,A_d,M$

Mu	Itiplicative Error	Seasonal Component		
	Trend	N	Α	М
	Component	(None)	(Additive)	(Multiplicative)
Ν	(None)	M,N,N	M,N,A	M,N,M
Α	(Additive)	M,A,N	M,A,A	M,A,M
$A_d$	(Additive damped)	M,A <sub>d</sub> ,N	$M,A_d,A$	$M,A_d,M$

### **Additive error models**

Trend	Seasonal				
	N	Α	M		
N	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$		
	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t / s_{t-m}$		
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t / \ell_{t-1}$		
	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$		
A	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t / s_{t-m}$		
	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t / s_{t-m}$		
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t / (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$		
	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1}) s_{t-m} + \varepsilon_t$		
$\mathbf{A_d}$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + \alpha \varepsilon_t / s_{t-m}$		
	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta \varepsilon_t / s_{t-m}$		
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma \varepsilon_t / (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$		

# Multiplicative error models

Trend		Seasonal	
	N	A	M
N	$y_t = \ell_{t-1}(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + s_{t-m})(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = \ell_{t-1} s_{t-m} (1 + \varepsilon_t)$
	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1}(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_t)$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \alpha(\ell_{t-1} + s_{t-m})\varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1}(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_t)$
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma (\ell_{t-1} + s_{t-m}) \varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m}(1 + \gamma \varepsilon_t)$
	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m})(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1}) s_{t-m} (1 + \varepsilon_t)$
A	$\ell_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_t)$	$\ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m})\varepsilon_t$	$\ell_t = (\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_t)$
	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})\varepsilon_t$	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m})\varepsilon_t$	$b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})\varepsilon_t$
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-m})\varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m}(1 + \gamma \varepsilon_t)$
	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + s_{t-m})(1 + \varepsilon_t)$	$y_t = (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1}) s_{t-m} (1 + \varepsilon_t)$
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	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1}) \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + s_{t-m}) \varepsilon_t$	$b_t = \phi b_{t-1} + \beta (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1}) \varepsilon_t$
		$s_t = s_{t-m} + \gamma (\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1} + s_{t-m}) \varepsilon_t$	$s_t = s_{t-m}(1 + \gamma \varepsilon_t)$

## **Estimating ETS models**

- Smoothing parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\phi$ , and the initial states  $\ell_0$ ,  $b_0$ ,  $s_0, s_{-1}, \ldots, s_{-m+1}$  are estimated by maximising the "likelihood" = the probability of the data arising from the specified model.
- For models with additive errors equivalent to minimising SSE.
- For models with multiplicative errors, **not** equivalent to minimising SSE.

# Innovations state space models

Let 
$$\mathbf{x}_t = (\ell_t, b_t, s_t, s_{t-1}, \dots, s_{t-m+1})$$
 and  $\varepsilon_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

$$y_t = \underbrace{h(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})}_{\mu_t} + \underbrace{k(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})\varepsilon_t}_{e_t}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = f(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) + g(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})\varepsilon_t$$

#### **Additive errors**

$$k(x) = 1.$$
  $y_t = \mu_t + \varepsilon_t.$ 

#### **Multiplicative errors**

$$k(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}) = \mu_t.$$
  $\mathbf{y}_t = \mu_t(1 + \varepsilon_t).$   $\varepsilon_t = (\mathbf{y}_t - \mu_t)/\mu_t$  is relative error.

# Innovations state space models

#### **Estimation**

$$L^*(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{x}_0) = T \log \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T} \varepsilon_t^2 \right) + 2 \sum_{t=1}^{T} \log |k(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})|$$
$$= -2 \log(\text{Likelihood}) + \text{constant}$$

Estimate parameters  $\theta = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \phi)$  and initial states  $\mathbf{x}_0 = (\ell_0, b_0, s_0, s_{-1}, \dots, s_{-m+1})$  by minimizing  $L^*$ .

#### **Parameter restrictions**

#### Usual region

- Traditional restrictions in the methods  $0 < \alpha, \beta^*, \gamma^*, \phi < 1$  (equations interpreted as weighted averages).
- In models we set  $\beta = \alpha \beta^*$  and  $\gamma = (1 \alpha)\gamma^*$ .
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### Admissible region

- To prevent observations in the distant past having a continuing effect on current forecasts.
- Usually (but not always) less restrictive than *traditional* region.
- For example for ETS(A,N,N): traditional  $0 < \alpha < 1$  while admissible  $0 < \alpha < 2$ .

#### **Model selection**

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#### **Bayesian Information Criterion**

$$BIC = AIC + k[\log(T) - 2].$$

### **AIC** and cross-validation

Minimizing the AIC assuming Gaussian residuals is asymptotically equivalent to minimizing one-step time series cross validation MSE.

# **Automatic forecasting**

#### From Hyndman et al. (IJF, 2002):

- Apply each model that is appropriate to the data. Optimize parameters and initial values using MLE (or some other criterion).
- Select best method using AICc:
- Produce forecasts using best method.
- Obtain forecast intervals using underlying state space model.

Method performed very well in M3 competition.

## **Example: National populations**

```
fit <- global economy |>
 mutate(Pop = Population / 1e6) |>
 model(ets = ETS(Pop))
fit
## # A mable: 263 x 2
## # Kev: Country [263]
##
  Country
                                  ets
##
  <fct>
                               <model>
##
   1 Afghanistan
                          \langle ETS(A,A,N) \rangle
##
   2 Albania
                          <ETS(M,A,N)>
   3 Algeria
                         <ETS(M,A,N)>
##
   4 American Samoa
                          <ETS(M,A,N)>
##
                          <ETS(M,A,N)>
##
   5 Andorra
##
   6 Angola
                          <ETS(M,A,N)>
   7 Antigua and Barbuda <ETS(M,A,N)>
##
   8 Arab World
                          <ETS(M,A,N)>
##
## 9 Argentina
                          <ETS(A.A.N)>
```

## **Example: National populations**

## # with 1 305 more rows

```
fit |>
 forecast(h = 5)
## # A fable: 1,315 x 5 [1Y]
## # Key: Country, .model [263]
  Country
               .model Year
##
                                    Pop .mean
  <fct> <chr> <dbl>
                                  <dist> <dbl>
##
##
   1 Afghanistan ets 2018 N(36, 0.012) 36.4
   2 Afghanistan ets 2019 N(37, 0.059) 37.3
##
   3 Afghanistan ets 2020 N(38, 0.16) 38.2
##
##
   4 Afghanistan ets 2021
                             N(39, 0.35) 39.0
##
   5 Afghanistan ets 2022
                              N(40, 0.64) 39.9
   6 Albania ets
                      2018 N(2.9, 0.00012) 2.87
##
   7 Albania ets
                      2019
                          N(2.9, 6e-04) 2.87
##
## 8 Albania ets
                      2020
                           N(2.9, 0.0017) 2.87
   9 Albania ets
                      2021 N(2.9, 0.0036) 2.86
##
## 10 Albania ets
                      2022
                           N(2.9, 0.0066) 2.86
```

```
holidays <- tourism |>
  filter(Purpose == "Holiday")
fit <- holidays |> model(ets = ETS(Trips))
fit
## # A mable: 76 x 4
## # Kev: Region, State, Purpose [76]
##
      Region
                                 State
                                                   Purpose
                                                                    ets
##
     <chr>
                                 <chr>>
                                                   <chr>
                                                                <model>
##
   1 Adelaide
                                 South Australia
                                                   Holiday <ETS(A,N,A)>
##
   2 Adelaide Hills
                                South Australia
                                                   Holiday <ETS(A,A,N)>
   3 Alice Springs
                                Northern Territory Holiday <ETS(M.N.A)>
##
   4 Australia's Coral Coast
                                Western Australia Holiday <ETS(M,N,A)>
##
                                                   Holiday <ETS(M,N,M)>
##
   5 Australia's Golden Outback Western Australia
##
   6 Australia's North West
                                Western Australia Holiday <ETS(A,N,A)>
   7 Australia's South West
                                Western Australia
                                                   Holiday <ETS(M,N,M)>
##
   8 Ballarat
                                Victoria
                                                   Holiday <ETS(M,N,A)>
##
## 9 Barklv
                                 Northern Territory Holiday <ETS(A.N.A)>
```

## 852 854 869

```
fit |>
 filter(Region == "Snowy Mountains") |>
 report()
## Series: Trips
## Model: ETS(M,N,A)
##
    Smoothing parameters:
   alpha = 0.157
##
      gamma = 1e-04
##
##
##
    Initial states:
   l[0] s[0] s[-1] s[-2] s[-3]
##
##
    142 -61 131 -42.2 -27.7
##
    sigma^2: 0.0388
##
##
##
   AIC AICC BIC
```

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```
fit |>
  filter(Region == "Snowy Mountains") |>
  components(fit)
```

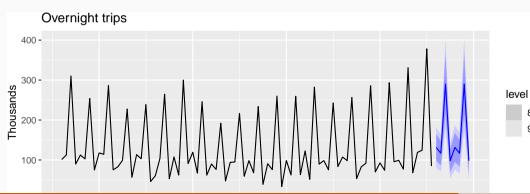
```
## # A dable: 84 x 9 [10]
  # Kev:
             Region, State, Purpose, .model [1]
## # :
            Trips = (lag(level, 1) + lag(season, 4)) * (1 + remainder)
     Region
                    State Purpose .model Quarter Trips level season remai~1
##
     <chr>
                    <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <atr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
##
##
   1 Snowv Mountains New S~ Holidav ets
                                         1997 O1 NA
                                                         NA
                                                              -27.7 NA
   2 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets 1997 02 NA
                                                         NA -42.2 NA
##
   3 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
##
                                         1997 O3 NA
                                                         NA
                                                             131. NA
   4 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
                                         1997 Q4 NA
                                                        142.
                                                              -61.0 NA
##
   5 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
                                         1998 01 101.
                                                        140.
                                                              -27.7 - 0.113
##
   6 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
                                          1998 02 112.
##
                                                        142.
                                                              -42.2 0.154
   7 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
##
                                         1998 03 310.
                                                        148.
                                                             131.
                                                                    0.137
##
   8 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
                                          1998 04 89.8
                                                       148.
                                                              -61.0 0.0335
                                                                            68
## 9 Snowy Mountains New S~ Holiday ets
                                          1999 01 112
                                                        147
                                                              -277 - 0.0687
```

```
fit |>
  filter(Region == "Snowy Mountains") |>
  components(fit) |>
  autoplot()
    ETS(M,N,A) decomposition
    Trips = (lag(level, 1) + lag(season, 4)) * (1 + remainder)
 300 -
                \Lambda
 200 -
 100 -
                                                                                      level
 100 -
50 -
0 -
 -50 -
                                                                                      emainde
0.25 -
0.00 -
-0.25 -
                 2000 Q1
                                  2005 Q1
                                                                     2015 Q1
```

```
fit |> forecast()
```

```
## # A fable: 608 x 7 [10]
## # Key:
            Region, State, Purpose, .model [76]
##
     Region
                  State Purpose .model Ouarter Trips .mean
                  ## <chr>
##
   1 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2018 Q1 N(210, 457) 210.
##
   2 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2018 02 N(173, 473) 173.
##
   3 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2018 03 N(169, 489) 169.
##
   4 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2018 Q4 N(186, 505) 186.
   5 Adelaide
                                             2019 O1 N(210, 521) 210.
##
                  South Australia Holiday ets
##
   6 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2019 02 N(173, 537) 173.
##
   7 Adelaide
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2019 Q3 N(169, 553) 169.
   8 Adelaide
##
                  South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2019 Q4 N(186, 569) 186.
   9 Adelaide Hills South Australia Holidav ets
                                             2018 Q1 N(19, 36) 19.4
## 10 Adelaide Hills South Australia Holiday ets
                                             2018 02 N(20, 36) 19.6
  # ... with 598 more rows
```

```
fit |>
  forecast() |>
  filter(Region == "Snowy Mountains") |>
  autoplot(holidays) +
  labs(y = "Thousands", title = "Overnight trips")
```



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#### Residuals

#### Response residuals

$$\hat{e}_t = \mathsf{y}_t - \hat{\mathsf{y}}_{t|t-1}$$

#### **Innovation residuals**

Additive error model:

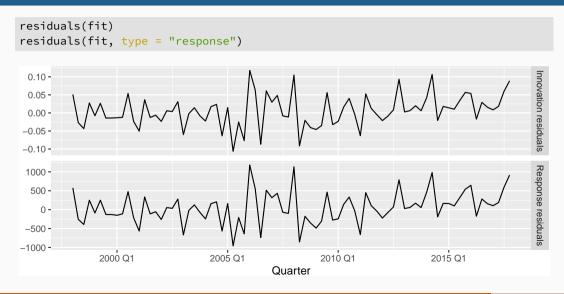
$$\hat{\varepsilon}_t = \mathsf{y}_t - \hat{\mathsf{y}}_{t|t-1}$$

Multiplicative error model:

$$\hat{\varepsilon}_t = \frac{\mathbf{y}_t - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{t|t-1}}{\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{t|t-1}}$$

```
aus_holidays <- tourism |>
  filter(Purpose == "Holiday") |>
  summarise(Trips = sum(Trips))
fit <- aus_holidays |>
  model(ets = ETS(Trips)) |>
  report()
```

```
## Series: Trips
## Model: ETS(M,N,M)
##
    Smoothing parameters:
##
   alpha = 0.358
   gamma = 0.000969
##
##
##
   Initial states:
##
   l[0] s[0] s[-1] s[-2] s[-3]
   9667 0.943 0.927 0.968 1.16
##
##
##
   sigma^2: 0 0022
```



```
fit |>
  augment()
```

```
## # A tsibble: 80 x 6 [10]
  # Key: .model [1]
##
##
     .model Ouarter Trips .fitted .resid
                                         .innov
             <atr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
##
     <chr>
##
   1 ets
           1998 Q1 11806. 11230. 576.
                                        0.0513
##
   2 ets
           1998 02 9276. 9532. -257. -0.0269
##
   3 ets
           1998 03 8642. 9036. -393. -0.0435
##
   4 ets
           1998 04 9300.
                           9050. 249.
                                        0.0275
##
   5 ets
            1999 Q1 11172.
                          11260. -88.0 -0.00781
   6 ets
           1999 Q2 9608. 9358. 249.
                                        0.0266
##
            1999 Q3 8914.
##
   7 ets
                           9042. -129. -0.0142
##
   8 ets
            1999 04 9026. 9154. -129.
                                       -0.0140
##
   9 ets
            2000 01 11071.
                          11221. -150. -0.0134
##
  10 ets
            2000 02 9196. 9308. -111. -0.0120
## # with 70 more rows
```

## # with 70 more rows

```
fit |>
  augment()
                                   Innovation residuals (.innov) are given by \hat{\varepsilon}_t while
                                   regular residuals (.resid) are y_t - \hat{y}_{t-1}. They are
## # A tsibble: 80 x 6 [10]
                                   different when the model has multiplicative errors.
                .model [1]
##
  # Key:
##
      .model Ouarter Trips .fitted .resid
                                               .innov
##
      <chr>
               <atr> <dbl>
                               <dbl> <dbl>
                                                <dbl>
##
    1 ets
             1998 Q1 11806.
                              11230. 576.
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##
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                               9532, -257,
                                            -0.0269
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    3 ets
             1998 03 8642. 9036. -393.
                                            -0.0435
                                              0.0275
##
    4 ets
             1998 04 9300.
                               9050, 249,
             1999 Q1 11172.
##
    5 ets
                              11260. -88.0 -0.00781
    6 ets
             1999 02 9608.
                               9358. 249.
                                              0.0266
##
    7 ets
             1999 Q3 8914.
                               9042. -129.
##
                                             -0.0142
##
    8 ets
             1999 04 9026.
                               9154. -129.
                                             -0.0140
##
    9 ets
             2000 01 11071.
                              11221. -150. -0.0134
##
  10 ets
             2000 02 9196.
                               9308. -111.
                                             -0.0120
```

### Some unstable models

- Some of the combinations of (Error, Trend, Seasonal) can lead to numerical difficulties; see equations with division by a state.
- These are: ETS(A,N,M), ETS(A,A,M),  $ETS(A,A_d,M)$ .
- Models with multiplicative errors are useful for strictly positive data, but are not numerically stable with data containing zeros or negative values. In that case only the six fully additive models will be applied.

# **Exponential smoothing models**

Additive Error		Seasonal Component		
Trend		N	Α	М
	Component	(None)	(Additive)	(Multiplicative)
Ν	(None)	A,N,N	A,N,A	<u> </u>
Α	(Additive)	A,A,N	A,A,A	<u> </u>
$A_d$	(Additive damped)	$A,A_d,N$	$A,A_d,A$	<u>^, ^, ^</u>

Multiplicative Error		Seasonal Component			
Trend		N	Α	М	
	Component	(None)	(Additive)	(Multiplicative)	
Ν	(None)	M,N,N	M,N,A	M,N,M	
Α	(Additive)	M,A,N	M,A,A	M,A,M	
$A_d$	(Additive damped)	M,A <sub>d</sub> ,N	$M,A_d,A$	$M,A_d,M$	

#### **Outline**

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## **Forecasting with ETS models**

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$$t = T + 1, T + 2, \dots, T + h$$
 and set all  $\varepsilon_t = 0$  for  $t > T$ .

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- Not the same as  $E(y_{t+h}|\mathbf{x}_t)$  unless seasonality is additive.
- fable uses  $E(y_{t+h}|\mathbf{x}_t)$ .
- Point forecasts for ETS(A,\*,\*) are identical to ETS(M,\*,\*) if the parameters are the same.

# **Example: ETS(A,A,N)**

etc.

$$\begin{aligned} y_{T+1} &= \ell_T + b_T + \varepsilon_{T+1} \\ \hat{y}_{T+1|T} &= \ell_T + b_T \\ y_{T+2} &= \ell_{T+1} + b_{T+1} + \varepsilon_{T+2} \\ &= (\ell_T + b_T + \alpha \varepsilon_{T+1}) + (b_T + \beta \varepsilon_{T+1}) + \varepsilon_{T+2} \\ \hat{y}_{T+2|T} &= \ell_T + 2b_T \end{aligned}$$

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# **Example: ETS(M,A,N)**

```
y_{T+1} = (\ell_T + b_T)(1 + \varepsilon_{T+1})
         \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{T+1|T} = \ell_T + \mathbf{b}_T.
            y_{T+2} = (\ell_{T+1} + b_{T+1})(1 + \varepsilon_{T+2})
                      = \{ (\ell_T + b_T)(1 + \alpha \varepsilon_{T+1}) + [b_T + \beta(\ell_T + b_T)\varepsilon_{T+1}] \} (1 + \varepsilon_{T+2})
         \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{T+2|T} = \ell_T + 2b_T
etc.
```

# Forecasting with ETS models

Prediction intervals: can only be generated using the models.

- The prediction intervals will differ between models with additive and multiplicative errors.
- Exact formulae for some models.
- More general to simulate future sample paths, conditional on the last estimate of the states, and to obtain prediction intervals from the percentiles of these simulated future paths.

# Prediction intervals

(A,N,A)

(A,A,A)

 $\sigma_h = \sigma^2 \left[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h - 1) + \gamma k (2\alpha + \gamma) \right]$ 

PI for most ETS models:  $\hat{y}_{T+h|T} \pm c\sigma_h$ , where c depends on coverage probability and  $\sigma_h$  is forecast standard deviation.

N,N) 
$$\sigma_h = \sigma^2 \left[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h - 1) \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + (h-1) \big\{ \alpha^2 + \alpha \beta h + \frac{1}{6} \beta^2 h (2h-1) \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h-1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1-\phi)^2} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi) + \beta \phi \big\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1-\phi^h)}{(1-\phi)^2 (1-\phi^2)} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi^2) + \beta \phi (1+2\phi-\phi^h) \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h-1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1-\phi)^2} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi) + \beta \phi \big\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1-\phi^h)}{(1-\phi)^2 (1-\phi^2)} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi^2) + \beta \phi (1+2\phi-\phi^h) \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h-1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1-\phi)^2} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi) + \beta \phi \big\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1-\phi^h)}{(1-\phi)^2 (1-\phi^2)} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi^2) + \beta \phi (1+2\phi-\phi^h) \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h-1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1-\phi)^2} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi) + \beta \phi \big\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1-\phi^h)}{(1-\phi)^2 (1-\phi^2)} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi^2) + \beta \phi (1+2\phi-\phi^h) \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & \sigma_h = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (h-1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1-\phi)^2} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi) + \beta \phi \big\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1-\phi^h)}{(1-\phi)^2 (1-\phi^2)} \big\{ 2\alpha (1-\phi^h) + \beta \phi \big\} \Big] \\ & (\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{N}) & ($$

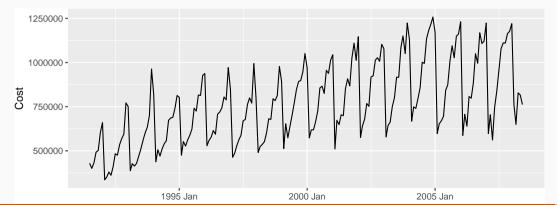
$$\sigma_{h} = \sigma^{2} \left[ 1 + \alpha^{2} (h - 1) + \frac{\beta \phi h}{(1 - \phi)^{2}} \left\{ 2\alpha (1 - \phi) + \beta \phi \right\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1 - \phi^{h})}{(1 - \phi)^{2} (1 - \phi^{2})} \left\{ 2\alpha (1 - \phi^{2}) + \beta \phi (1 + 2\phi - \phi^{h}) \right\} \right]$$

 $(\mathsf{A}, \mathsf{A}_d, \mathsf{A}) \quad \sigma_\mathsf{h} = \sigma^2 \Big[ 1 + \alpha^2 (\mathsf{h} - 1) + \frac{\beta \phi \mathsf{h}}{(1 - \phi)^2} \left\{ 2\alpha (1 - \phi) + \beta \phi \right\} - \frac{\beta \phi (1 - \phi^\mathsf{h})}{(1 - \phi)^2 (1 - \phi^2)} \left\{ 2\alpha (1 - \phi^2) + \beta \phi (1 + 2\phi - \phi^\mathsf{h}) \right\} \Big] \Big\}$ 

 $+ \gamma k(2\alpha + \gamma) + \frac{2\beta\gamma\phi}{(1-\phi)(1-\phi^m)} \left\{ k(1-\phi^m) - \phi^m(1-\phi^{mk}) \right\}$ 

 $\sigma_h = \sigma^2 \left[ 1 + (h-1) \left\{ \alpha^2 + \alpha \beta h + \frac{1}{6} \beta^2 h (2h-1) \right\} + \gamma k \left\{ 2\alpha + \gamma + \beta m (k+1) \right\} \right]$ 

```
h02 <- PBS |>
  filter(ATC2 == "H02") |>
  summarise(Cost = sum(Cost))
h02 |> autoplot(Cost)
```

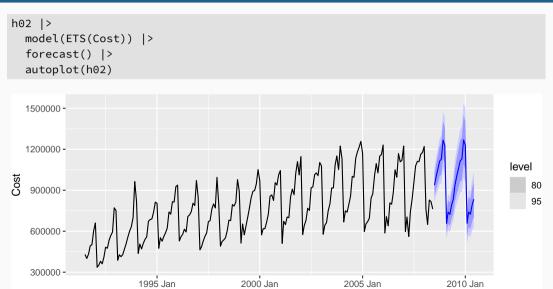


```
h02 |>
model(ETS(Cost)) |>
report()
```

```
## Series: Cost
## Model: ETS(M,Ad,M)
     Smoothing parameters:
##
       alpha = 0.307
##
      beta = 0.000101
##
##
    gamma = 0.000101
##
       phi = 0.978
##
##
     Initial states:
     l[0] b[0] s[0] s[-1] s[-2] s[-3] s[-4] s[-5] s[-6] s[-7] s[-8] s[-9]
##
    417269 8206 0.872 0.826 0.756 0.773 0.687 1.28 1.32 1.18 1.16 1.1
##
    s[-10] s[-11]
     1.05 0.981
##
##
     sigma^2: 0.0046
##
##
   ATC ATCC BTC
## 5515 5519 5575
```

```
h02 |>
model(ETS(Cost ~ error("A") + trend("A") + season("A"))) |>
report()
```

```
## Series: Cost
## Model: ETS(A,A,A)
##
                     Smoothing parameters:
##
             alpha = 0.17
## beta = 0.00631
##
                  gamma = 0.455
##
##
                    Initial states:
                    [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0] [0]
##
               409706 9097 -99075 -136602 -191496 -174531 -241437 210644 244644 145368
                    s[-8] s[-9] s[-10] s[-11]
               130570 84458 39132 -11674
##
##
                     sigma^2: 3.5e+09
##
               ATC ATCC BTC
## 5585 5589 5642
```



```
h02 |>
  model(
   auto = ETS(Cost),
   AAA = ETS(Cost ~ error("A") + trend("A") + season("A"))
) |>
accuracy()
```

Model	MAE	RMSE	MAPE	MASE	RMSSE
auto	38649	51102	4.99	0.638	0.689
AAA	43378	56784	6.05	0.716	0.766