

DATA 624 Homework 1

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```
library(tidyverse)
library(fpp3)
library(tsibble)
library(ggplot2)
library(tsibbledata)
library(knitr)
```

Homework 1

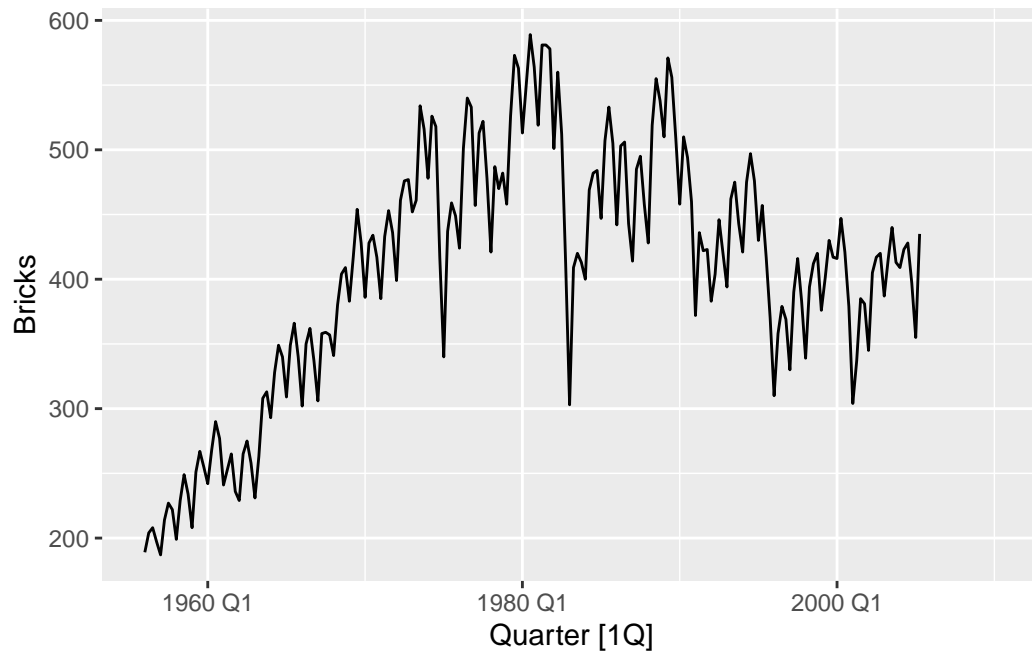
The document contains selected exercises from [Hyndman, Athanasopoulos “Forecasting: Principles and Practice” 3rd Edition, Chapter 2](#)

Exercise 2.1

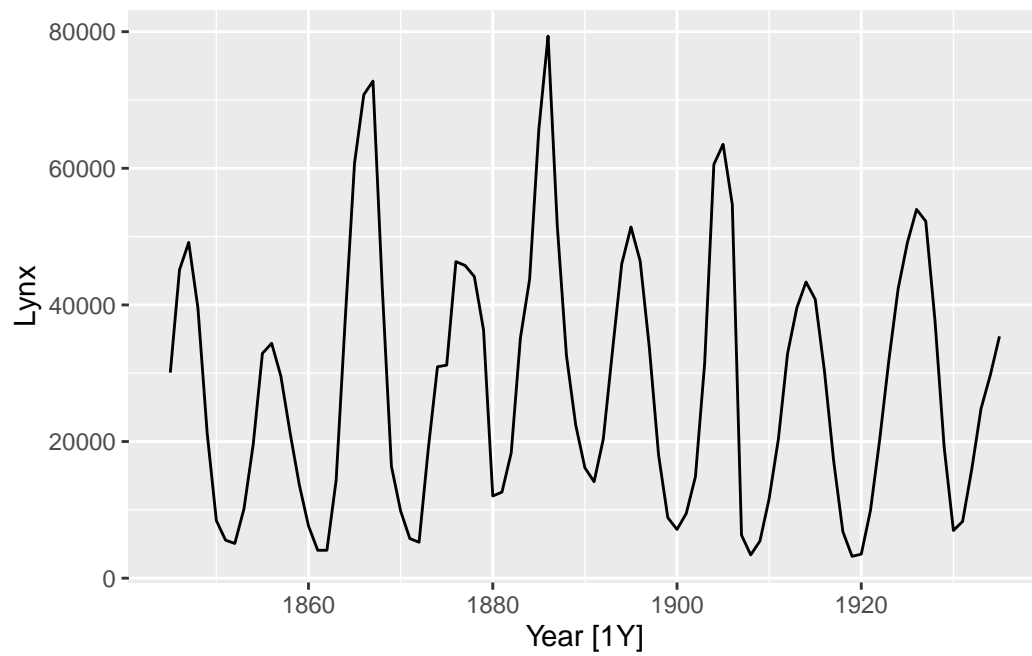
```
# https://otexts.com/fpp3/graphics-exercises.html

?aus_production # Half hourly
?lynx # Annual
?gafa_stock # trading days
?vic_elec # Half hourly
```

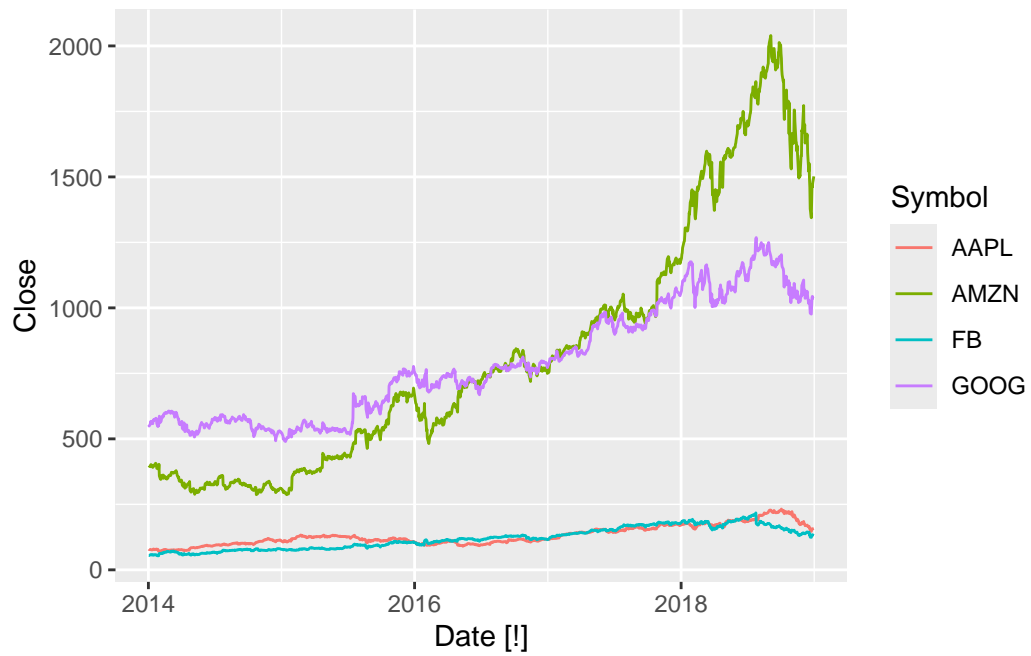
```
# Autoplot each data by the specified feature
autoplot(aus_production, Bricks)
```



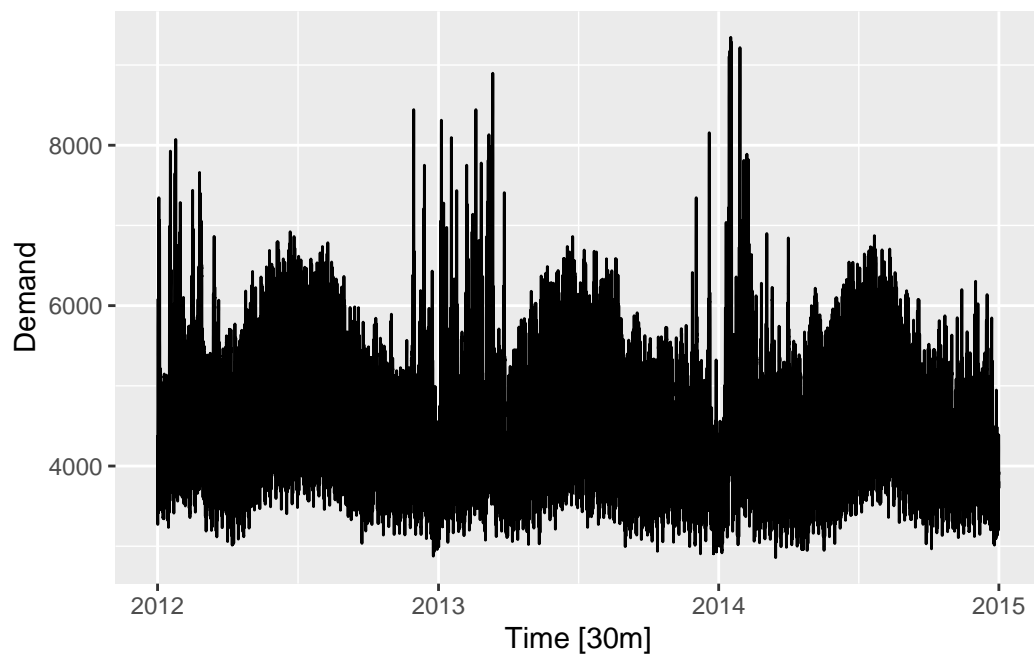
```
autoplot(pelt, Lynx)
```



```
autoplot(gafa_stock, Close)
```



```
autoplot(vic_elec, Demand)
```



Exercise 2.2

```
# I can groupby and take the max to find top close days for each stock
top_stock_days <- gafa_stock |>
  group_by(Symbol) |>
  slice_max(Close, n=1) # Gets the max for each element I've grouped (Symbol)

kable(head(top_stock_days))
```

Symbol	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Adj_Close	Volume
AAPL	2018-10-03	230.05	233.470	229.78	232.07	230.2755	28654800
AMZN	2018-09-04	2026.50	2050.500	2013.00	2039.51	2039.5100	5721100
FB	2018-07-25	215.72	218.620	214.27	217.50	217.5000	58954200
GOOG	2018-07-26	1251.00	1269.771	1249.02	1268.33	1268.3300	2405600

Exercise 2.3

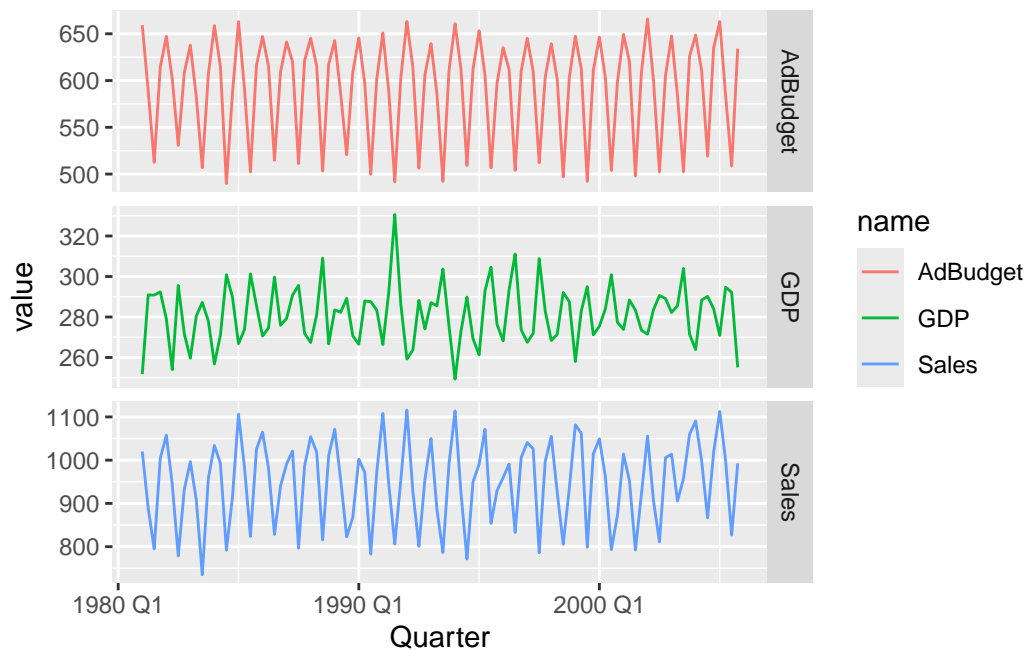
```
# Read data from URL
tute1 <- read_csv("https://otexts.com/fpp3/extrfiles/tute1.csv")
kable(head(tute1))
```

Quarter	Sales	AdBudget	GDP
1981-03-01	1020.2	659.2	251.8
1981-06-01	889.2	589.0	290.9
1981-09-01	795.0	512.5	290.8
1981-12-01	1003.9	614.1	292.4
1982-03-01	1057.7	647.2	279.1
1982-06-01	944.4	602.0	254.0

```
# Convert to tsibble
mytimeseries <- tute1 |>
  mutate(Quarter = yearquarter(Quarter)) |> # Formats date to yearquarter type
  as_tsibble(index = Quarter) # Converts to tsibble
kable(head(mytimeseries))
```

Quarter	Sales	AdBudget	GDP
1981 Q1	1020.2	659.2	251.8
1981 Q2	889.2	589.0	290.9
1981 Q3	795.0	512.5	290.8
1981 Q4	1003.9	614.1	292.4
1982 Q1	1057.7	647.2	279.1
1982 Q2	944.4	602.0	254.0

```
# Plot the timeseries
mytimeseries |>
  pivot_longer(-Quarter) |> # Viz friendly format
  ggplot(aes(x = Quarter, y = value, colour = name)) +
  geom_line() +
  facet_grid(name ~ ., scales = "free_y") # Sets a facet for each column
```



Exercise 2.4

```
# Get the US Gas dataset
install.packages("USgas")
```

The downloaded binary packages are in
/var/folders/7_/3jtyrt0n1w9_jssp00807w2h0000gn/T//RtmpHrWZcJ/downloaded_packages

```
library(USgas)
```

```
head(usgas)
```

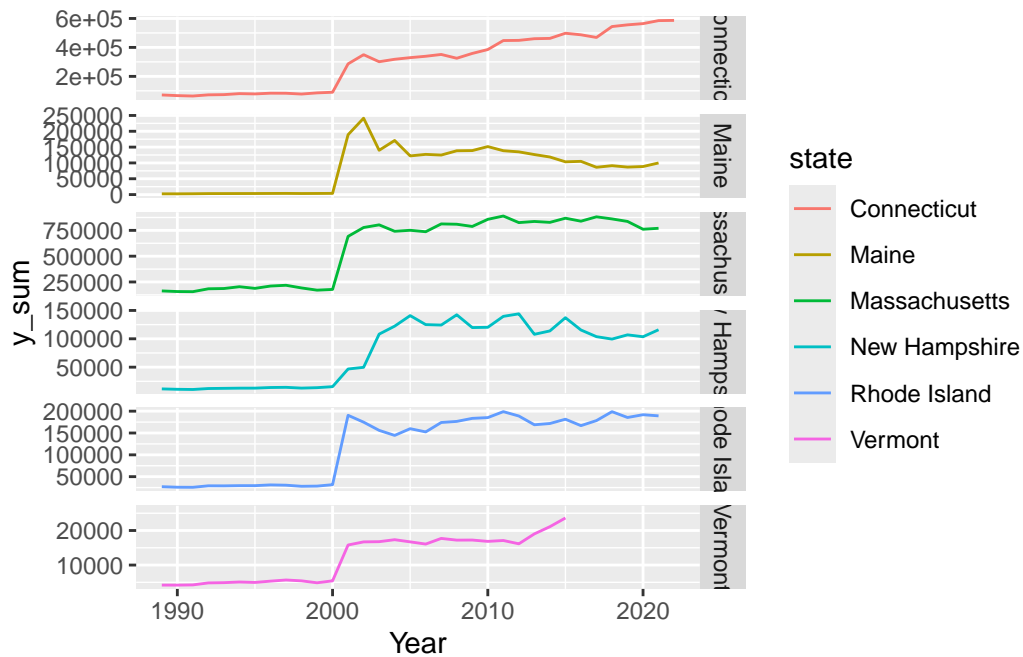
```
      date      process state state_abb      y
1 1973-01-01 Commercial Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 392315
2 1973-01-01 Residential Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 843900
3 1973-02-01 Commercial Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 394281
4 1973-02-01 Residential Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 747331
5 1973-03-01 Commercial Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 310799
6 1973-03-01 Residential Consumption  U.S.      U.S. 648504
```

```
# Plot the New England states
ne_gas <- usgas |>
  mutate(Year = year(date)) |>
  group_by(Year, state) |>
  summarize(y_sum = sum(y)) |>
  filter(state %in% c("Maine", "Vermont", "New Hampshire", "Massachusetts", "Connecticut", "Rhode Island"))
  as_tsibble(index=Year, key=state)

kable(head(ne_gas))
```

Year	state	y_sum
1989	Connecticut	71468
1990	Connecticut	66856
1991	Connecticut	64020
1992	Connecticut	72234
1993	Connecticut	73641
1994	Connecticut	80683

```
# Plot the data
ne_gas |>
  ggplot(aes(x = Year, y = y_sum, colour = state)) +
  geom_line() +
  facet_grid(state ~ ., scales = "free_y")
```



Exercise 2.5

```
# Load the tourism data from the package
# Our reference point
kable(head(tsibble::tourism))
```

Quarter	Region	State	Purpose	Trips
1998 Q1	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	135.0777
1998 Q2	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	109.9873
1998 Q3	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	166.0347
1998 Q4	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	127.1605
1999 Q1	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	137.4485
1999 Q2	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	199.9126

```
# Download the example tourism file
library(readxl)
my_tourism <- read_excel("~/projects/data_624/assignments/tourism.xlsx")
kable(head(my_tourism))
```

Quarter	Region	State	Purpose	Trips
1998-01-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	135.0777
1998-04-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	109.9873
1998-07-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	166.0347
1998-10-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	127.1605
1999-01-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	137.4485
1999-04-01	Adelaide	South Australia	Business	199.9126

```
# Match downloaded tourism data to package data
# Just need to convert the char Quarter to yearquarter
my_tourism <- my_tourism |>
  mutate(Quarter = yearquarter(Quarter))

kable(head(my_tourism))
```

Quarter	Region	State	Purpose	Trips
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```
# Find the most amount of flights by Purpose and Region
my_tourism |>
  group_by(Region, Purpose) |>
  summarize(total_trips = sum(Trips)) |>
  arrange(desc(total_trips))
```

```
# A tibble: 304 x 3
# Groups:   Region [76]
  Region      Purpose total_trips
  <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>
1 Sydney    Visiting    59782.
2 Melbourne Visiting    49512.
3 Sydney    Business    48164.
4 North Coast NSW Holiday  47032.
5 Sydney    Holiday     44026.
6 Gold Coast Holiday     42267.
```



```

7 Melbourne      Holiday      40583.
8 South Coast    Holiday      39605.
9 Brisbane       Visiting      39424.
10 Melbourne     Business      38238.
# i 294 more rows

```

```
# It's Sydney!
```

```

# Group by just state and trips
my_tourism |>
  group_by(State) |>
  summarize(total_trips = sum(Trips)) |>
  arrange(desc(total_trips))

```

```

# A tibble: 8 x 2
  State      total_trips
  <chr>      <dbl>
1 New South Wales  557367.
2 Victoria        390463.
3 Queensland      386643.
4 Western Australia 147820.
5 South Australia  118151.
6 Tasmania         54137.
7 ACT             41007.
8 Northern Territory 28614.

```

Exercise 2.6

Observing the various plots below of our `aus_arrivals` data, there are a few interesting observations we can make.

1. *Seasonality*: We can see decrease in travel to Australia from the US and UK during the middle months, the inverse for New Zealand
2. *Trend*: Flights to Australia have generally increased overtime, with the exception of those from Japan which sharply falls after early 1990s

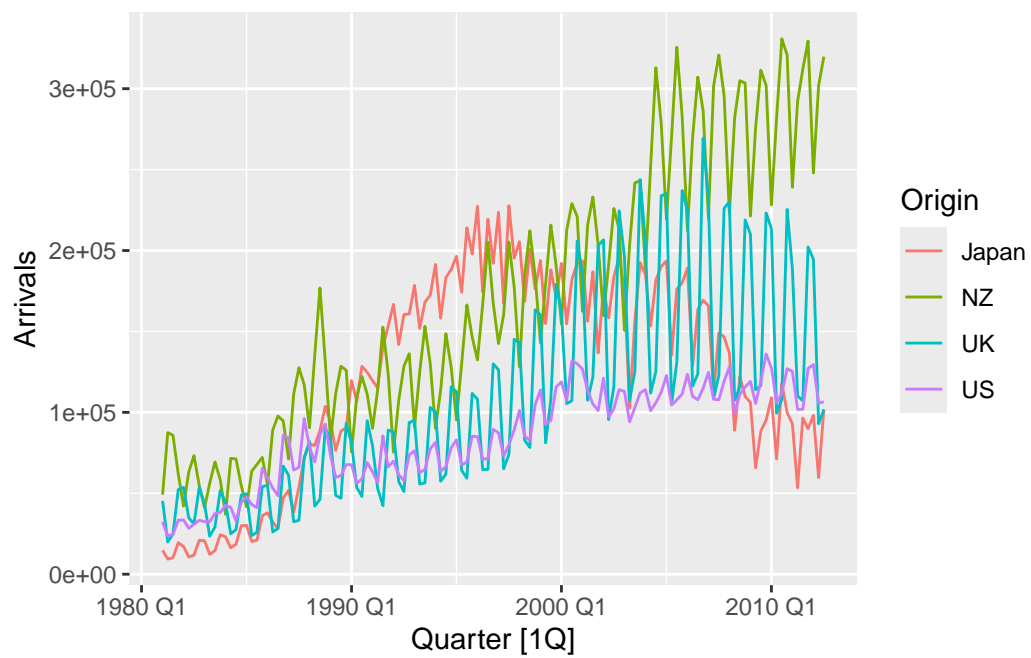
For seasonality plots, the `gg_season` plot is well suited for general observations, but I prefer the detail and addition of the mean we get “for free” from the `gg_subseries` plot.

```

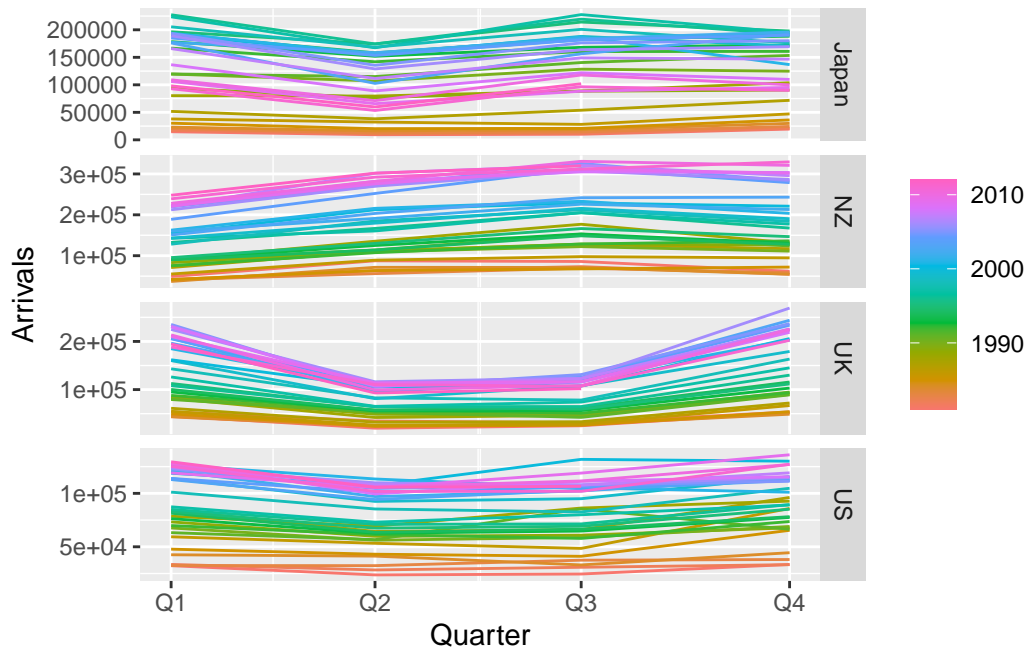
# Get the aus_arrival data from the package
arrival_data <- fpp3::aus_arrivals

```

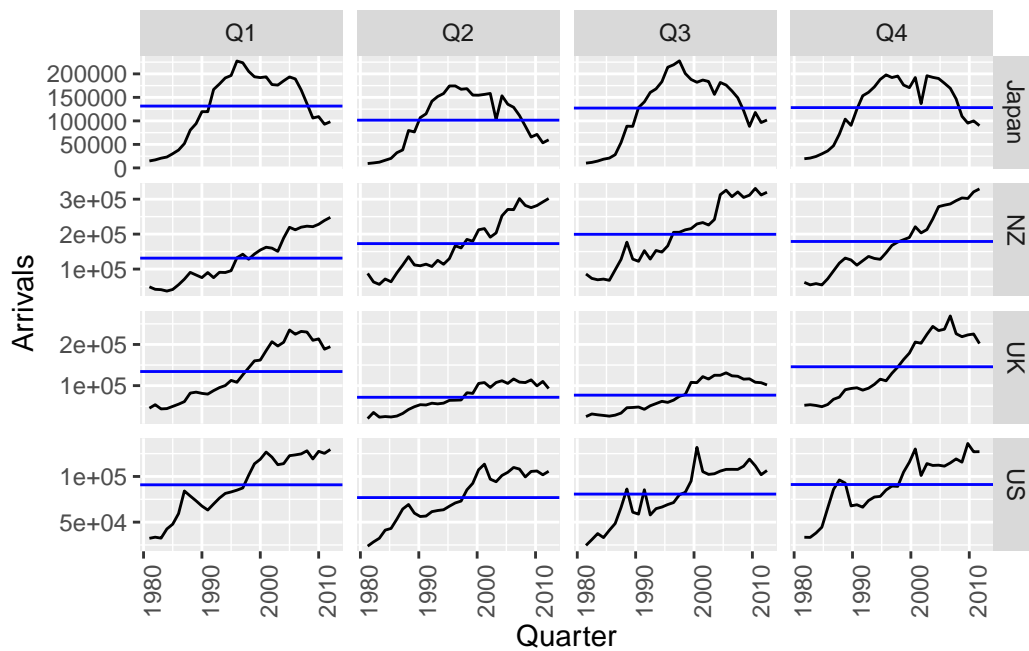
```
# Try autoplot  
autoplot(arrival_data)
```



```
# Try seasons  
library(feasts)  
gg_season(arrival_data)
```



```
# Try subseries
gg_subseries(arrival_data)
```



Exercise 2.7

Considering the Australian retail dataset, the visualizations help us easily identify patterns of trend, seasonality, and cycles.

We can see that the autocorrelation rate is quite high (and positive) for Turnover in all the the graphs. This tells us that the Turnover of the prior interval is a good indicator of future intervals, which we would describe as having high autocorrelation.

In addition, we can see the seasonality, especially in the `gg_subseries` plot, where the mean is indicated by the blue line. We can see Turnover remains relatively flat through the second and third quarter, with higher Turnover rates near the beginning and end of years.

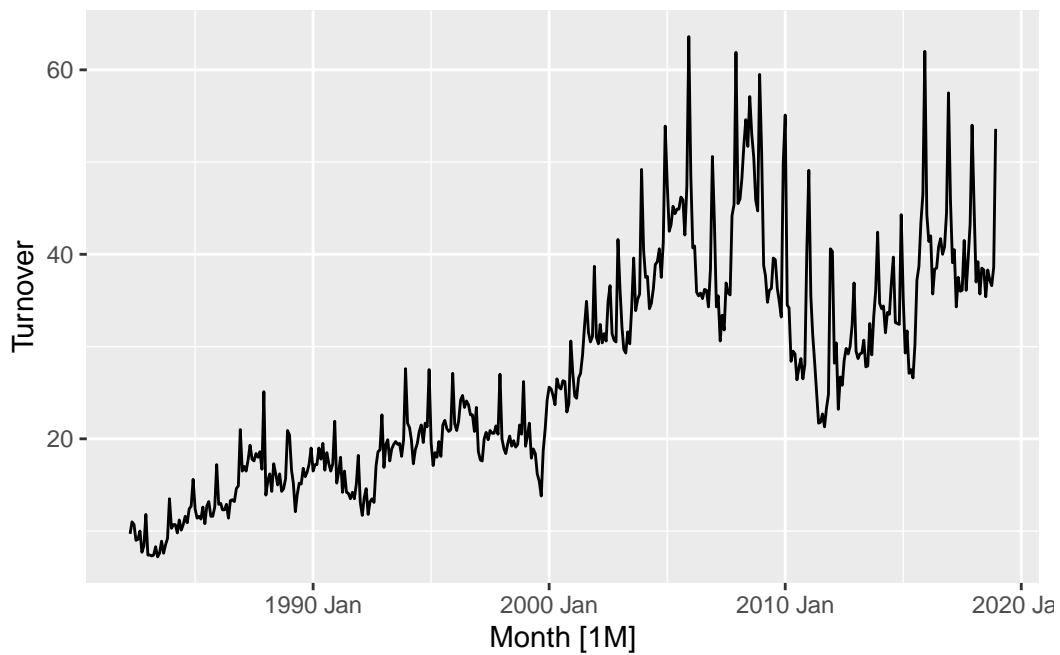
The trend, or the long-term direction of the series over time, is positive, as we can see in the rising Turnover rates, especially from 2000 and onward.

As far as cycles, there may be a subtle 5-7 cycle of low to high turnover that is becoming more exaggerated in recent years, showing between '86-'88, '93-'00, and '06-'12, but would need to be confirmed analytically.

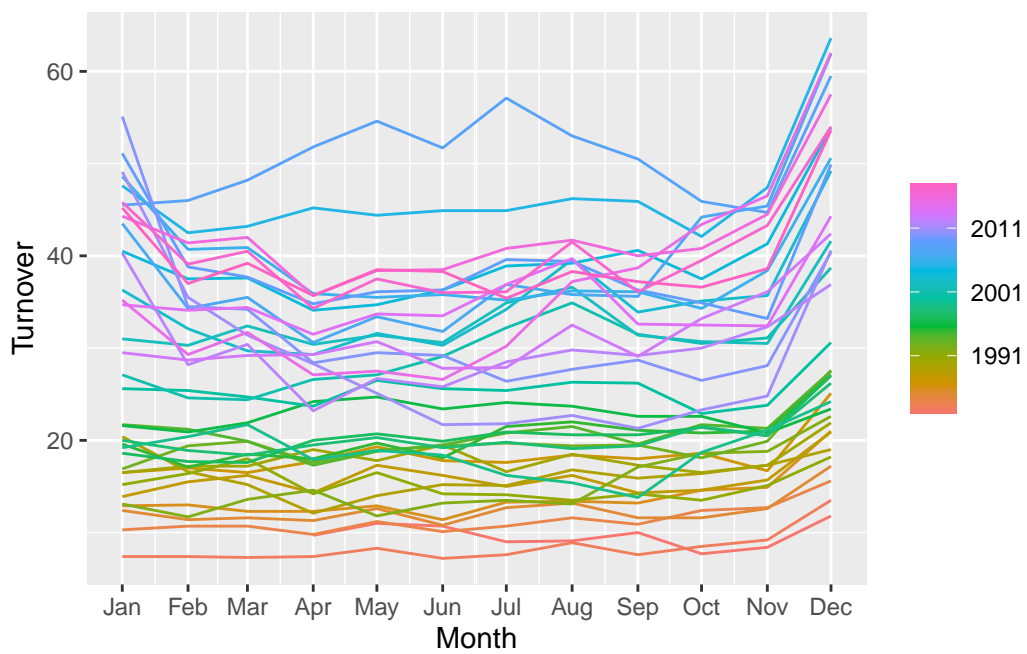
```
# Pick a series to plot
set.seed(42)

myseries <- aus_retail |>
  filter(`Series ID` == sample(aus_retail$`Series ID`,1))

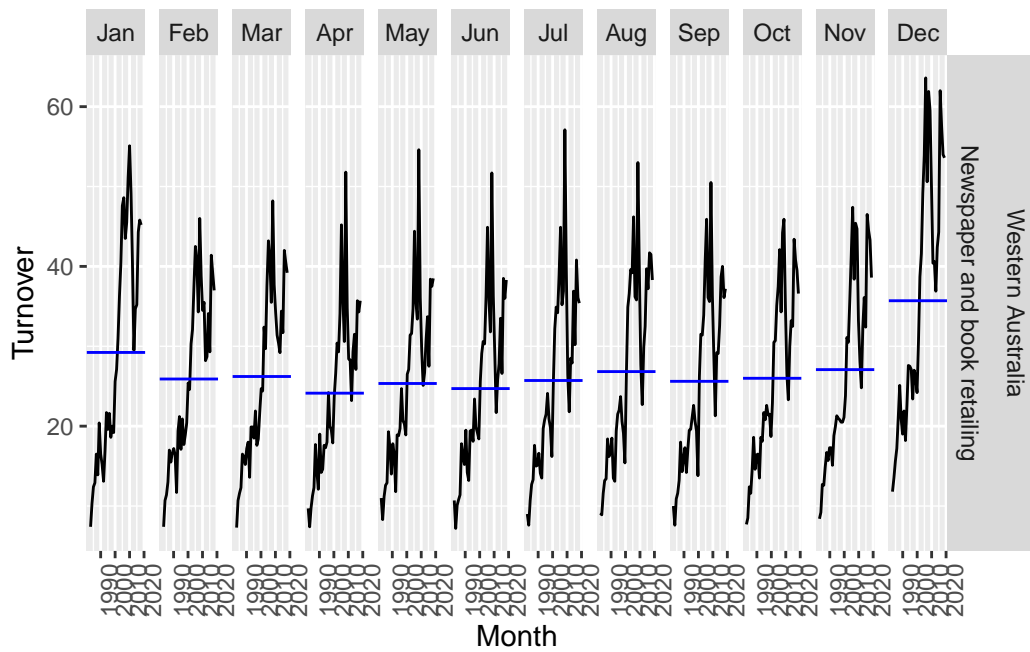
autoplot(myseries)
```



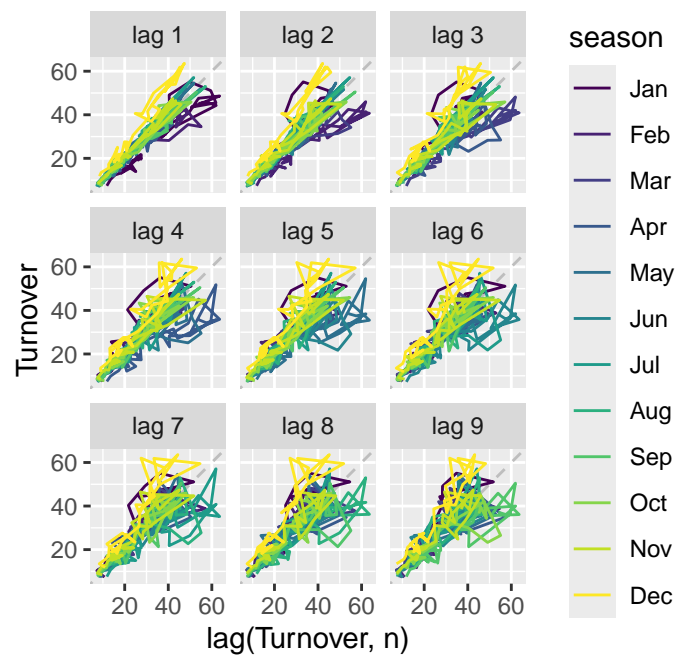
```
gg_season(myseries)
```



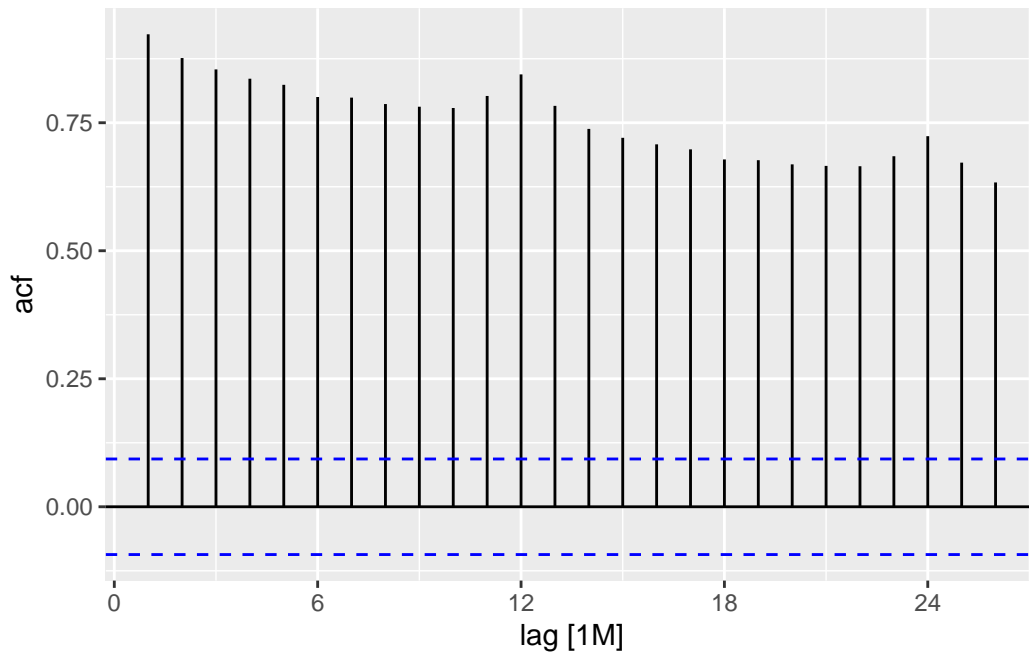
```
gg_subseries(myseries)
```



```
gg_lag(myseries)
```



```
myseries |> ACF(Turnover) |> autoplot()
```



Exercise 2.8

```
# Generate plots of all the data
# We create a function to do this repeatedly
plot_series <- function(data, value_col, period = NULL) {
  print(data |> autoplot(.vars = {{ value_col }}) + labs(title = "Time Series Plot"))

  tryCatch({
    if (is.null(period)) {
      print(data |> gg_season({{ value_col }}) + labs(title = "Seasonal Plot"))
    } else {
      print(data |> gg_season({{ value_col }}, period = period) + labs(title = "Seasonal Plot"))
    }
  }, error = function(e) {
    cat("Skipping seasonal plot:", e$message, "\n")
  })

  tryCatch({
```

```

    print(data |> gg_subseries({{ value_col }}) + labs(title = "Seasonal Subseries Plot"))
  }, error = function(e) {
    cat("Skipping subseries plot:", e$message, "\n")
  })

  tryCatch({
    print(data |> gg_lag({{ value_col }}) + labs(title = "Lag Plot"))
  }, error = function(e) {
    cat("Skipipng gglag plot:", e$message, "\n")
  })

  print(data |> ACF({{ value_col }}) |> autoplot() + labs(title = "Autocorrelation Function"))
}

```

United States Employment Series

US private sector employment has been trending up through all of dates available in the data. We can see slightly upticks in employment during periods of peak seasonal work through the summer months. The data is very highly autocorrelated, averaging nearly 90% across all observed years.

We can see brief periods of downwards employment trends periodically through the larger timeseries (besides the seasonality); we would describe this as cycles of unemployment that likely follow recessions typical of most healthy economies.

One such downturn aligns with the recession and housing market crash of 2008, which is clear in the data.

Overall, the graphs show a positive and relatively stable growth of employment in the United States private sector.

```

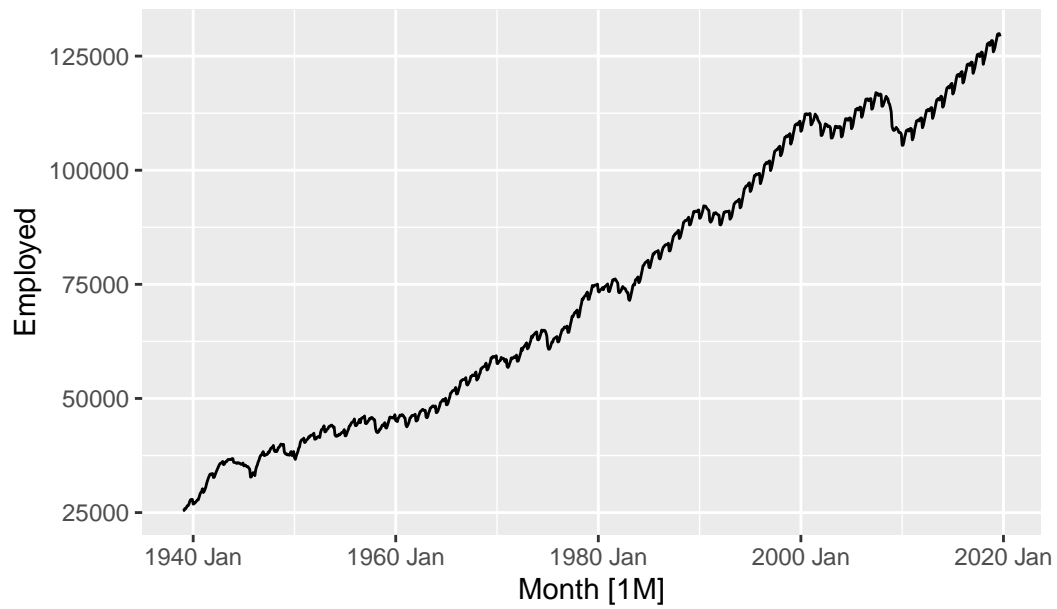
# US Employment

set.seed(42)
us_employment <- fpp3::us_employment |>
  filter(Title == "Total Private") |>
  drop_na(Employed)

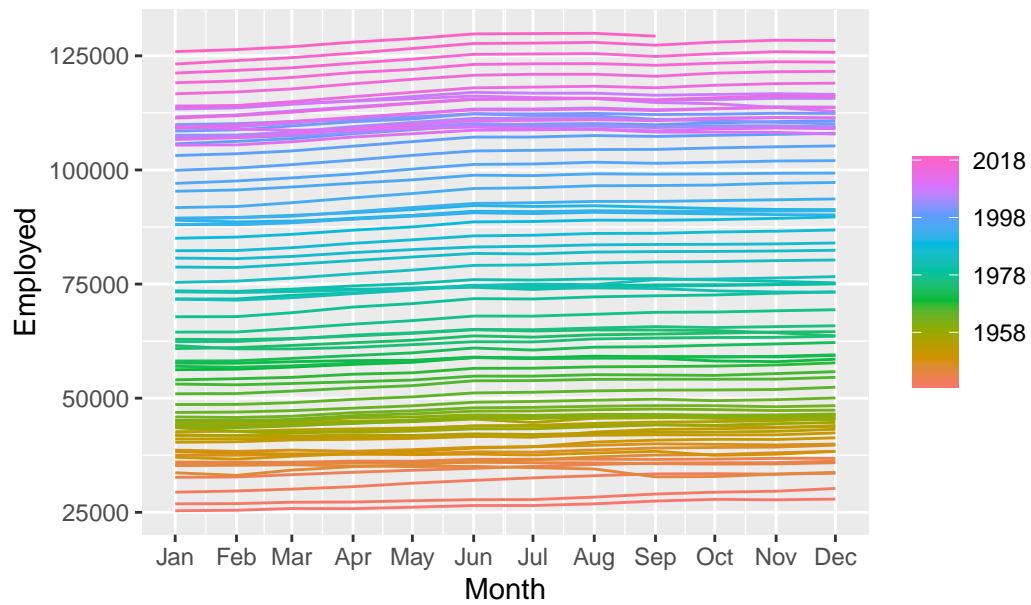
# Then plot with ACF column specified
plot_series(us_employment, Employed)

```

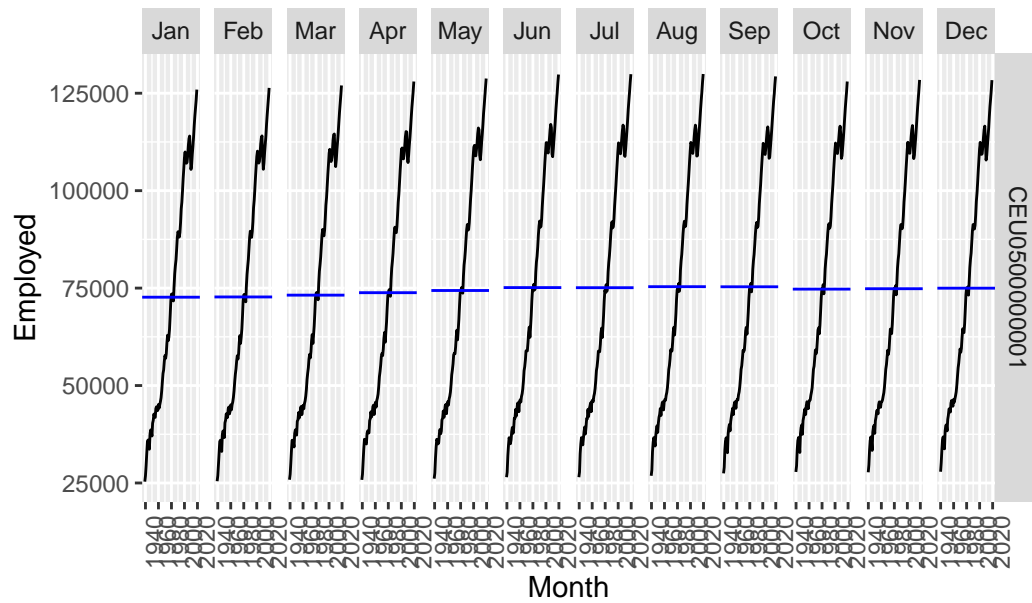

Time Series Plot



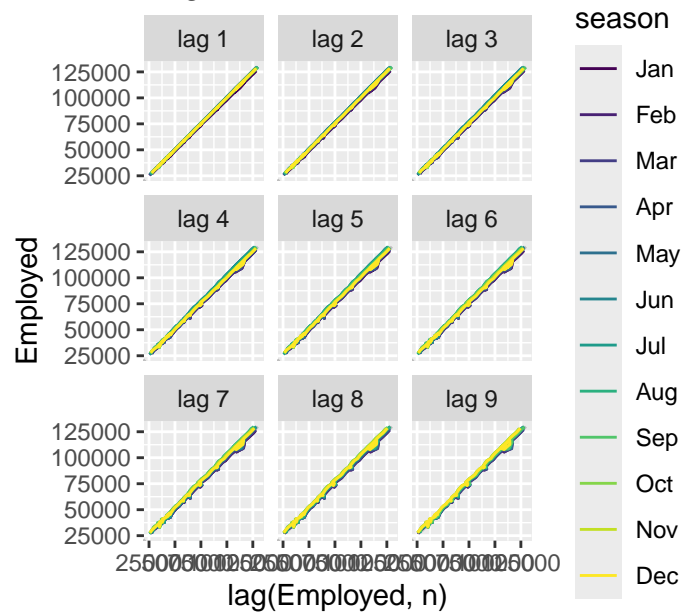
Seasonal Plot

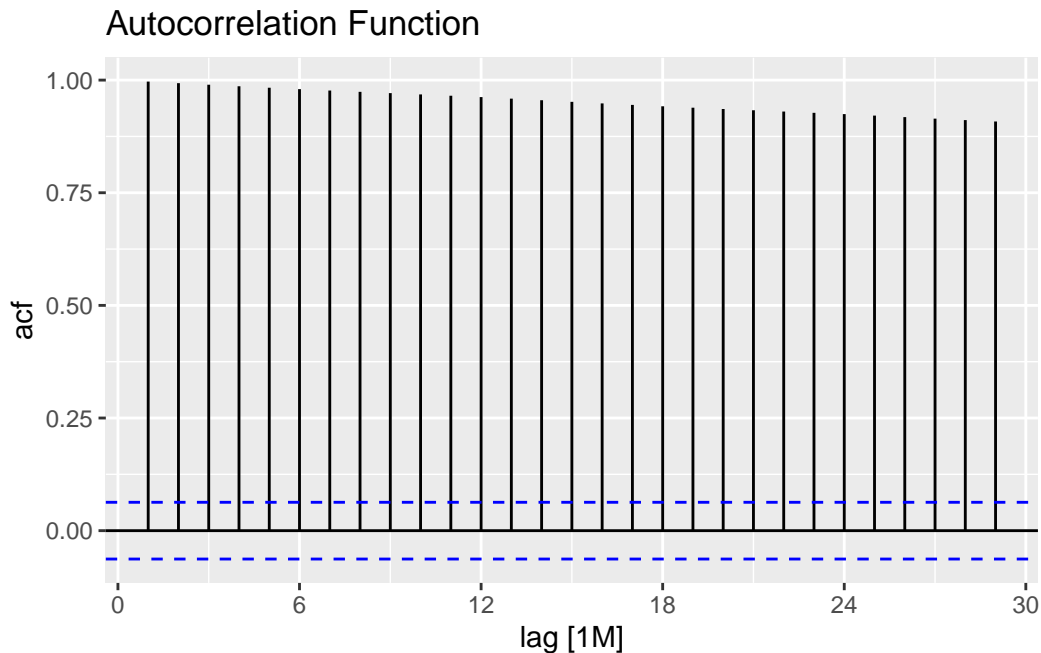


Seasonal Subseries Plot



Lag Plot





Australian Bricks Production Series

Production of bricks in the Australian retail market is varied by both cycles and seasons. We can see from the timeseries line graph that there's no unidirectional trend; the market appears to have peaked in the early 1980s before sharply crashing, initiating a downward trend that continues to the edges of our data.

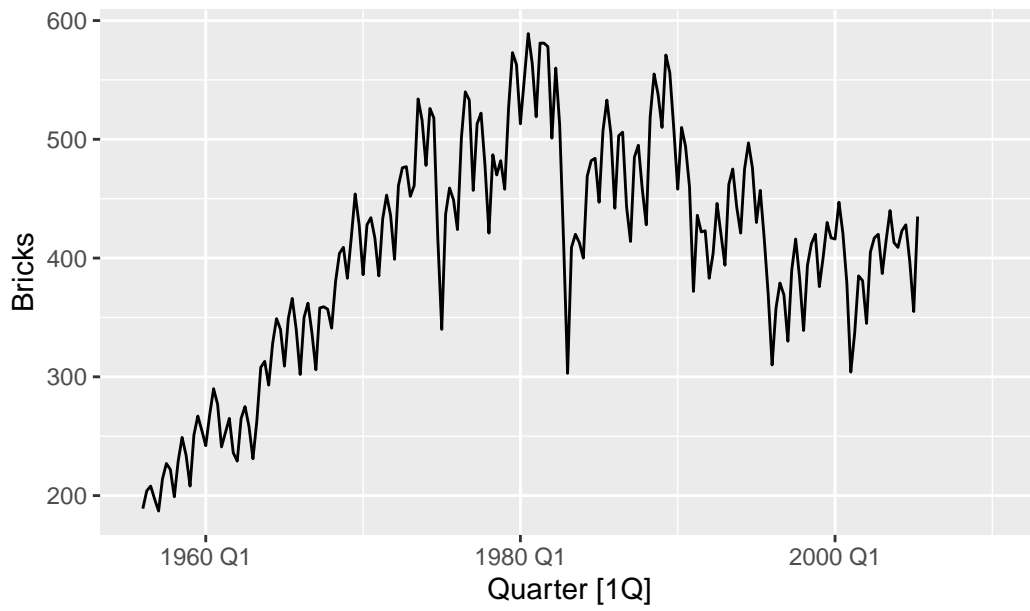
Australia's spring season occurs in Q3, which is where we see an uptick in brick production; this is intuitive as we would expect peak construction season to be in the summer months, and bricks would be a natural direct material.

Brick production is still quite positively autocorrelated, but more noise is introduced when increasing the lag parameter.

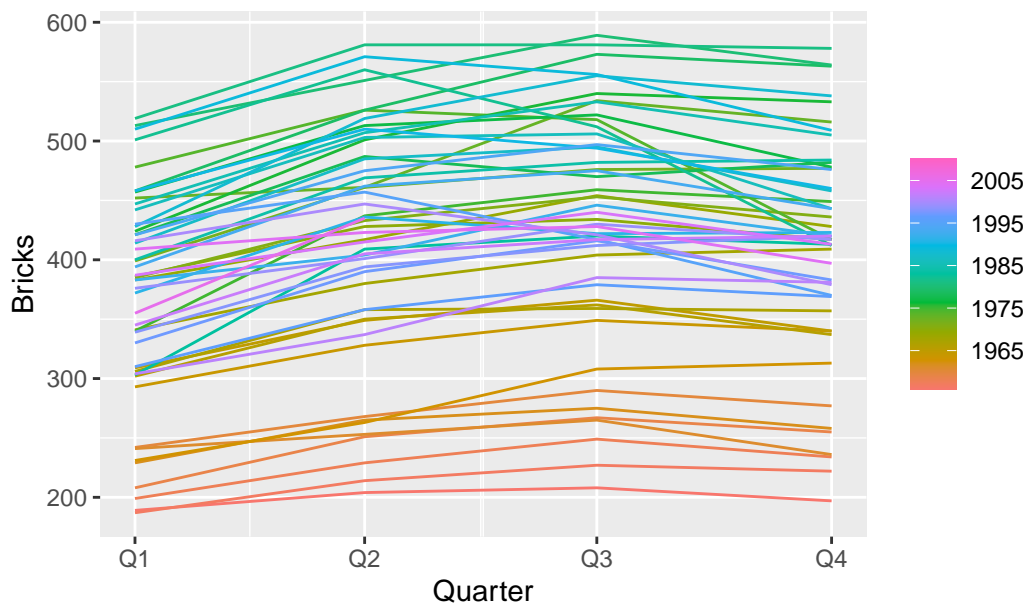
Overall, the graphs indicate to me that the brick production market is relatively saturated at this point, especially after a boom in the 1980s, and is currently trending towards a lower mean level of production.

```
plot_series(aus_production, Bricks)
```

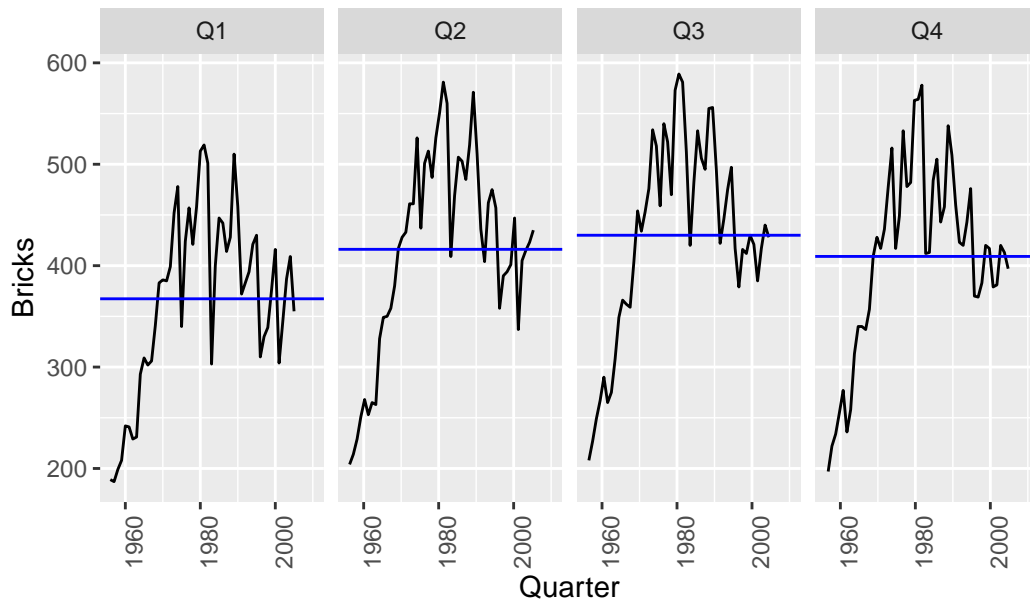
Time Series Plot



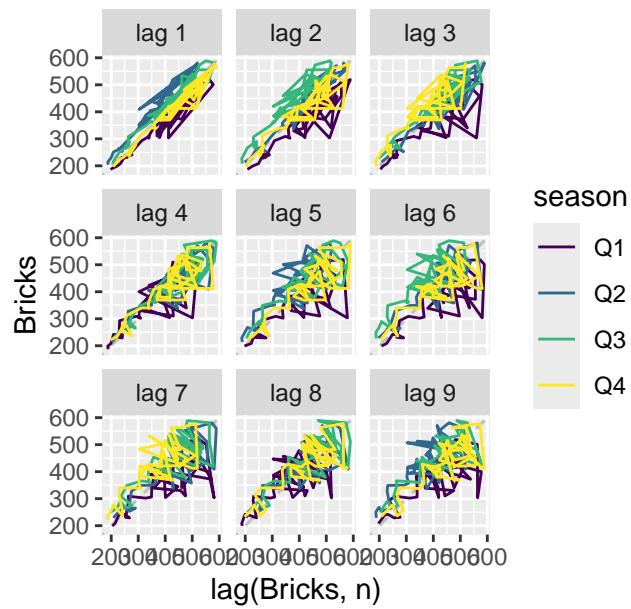
Seasonal Plot

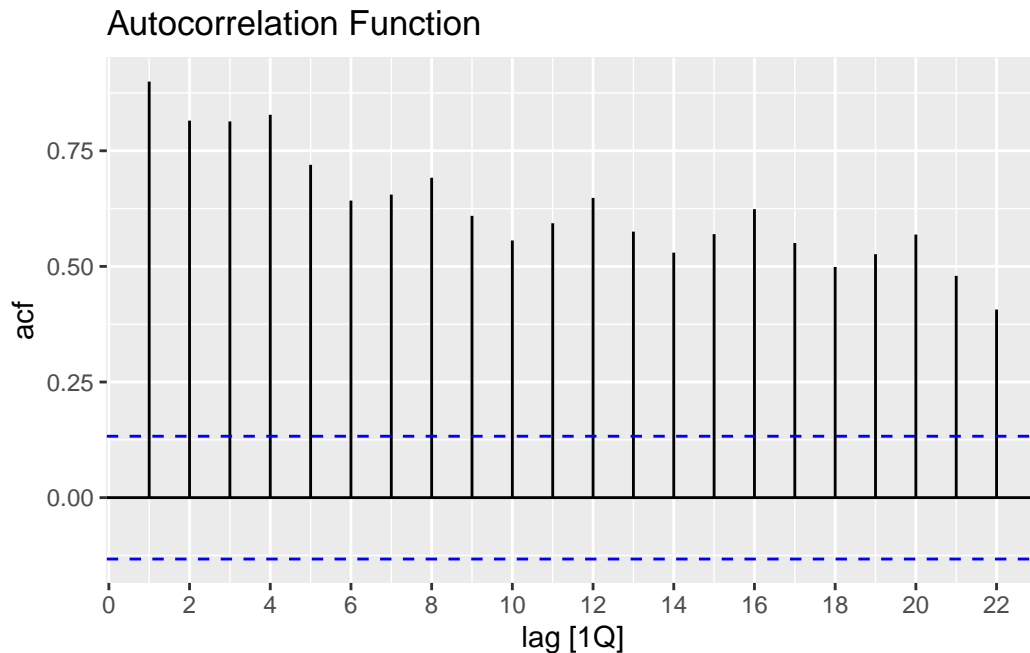


Seasonal Subseries Plot



Lag Plot





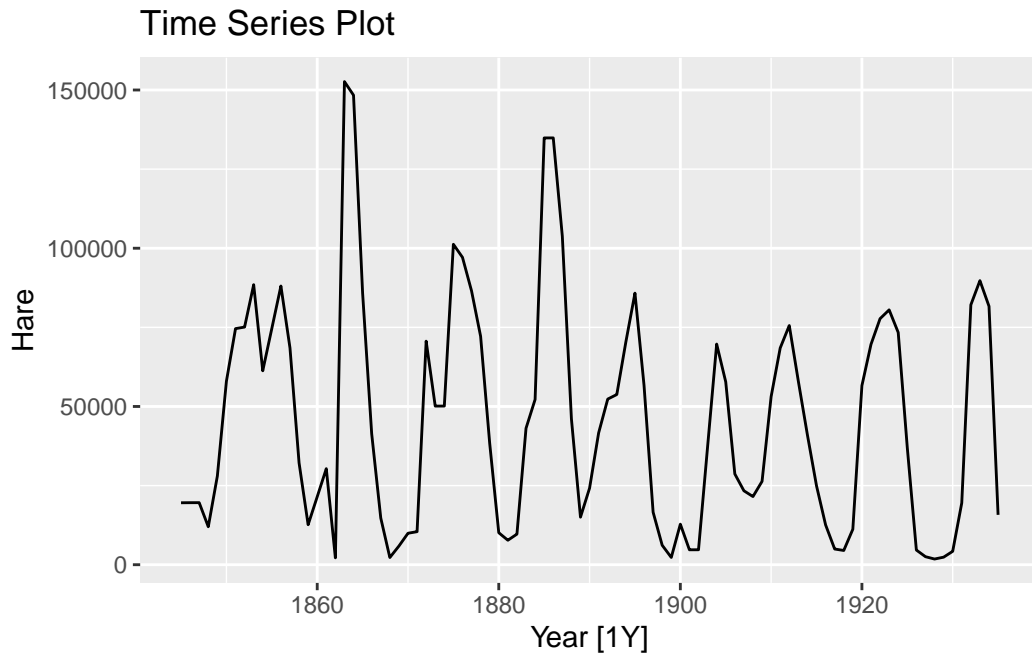
Hare Pelt Harvesting Series

The pelt trade was naturally seasonal, due to the nature of the animals from which they were harvested from and their lifecycle. This is supported empirically by the data.

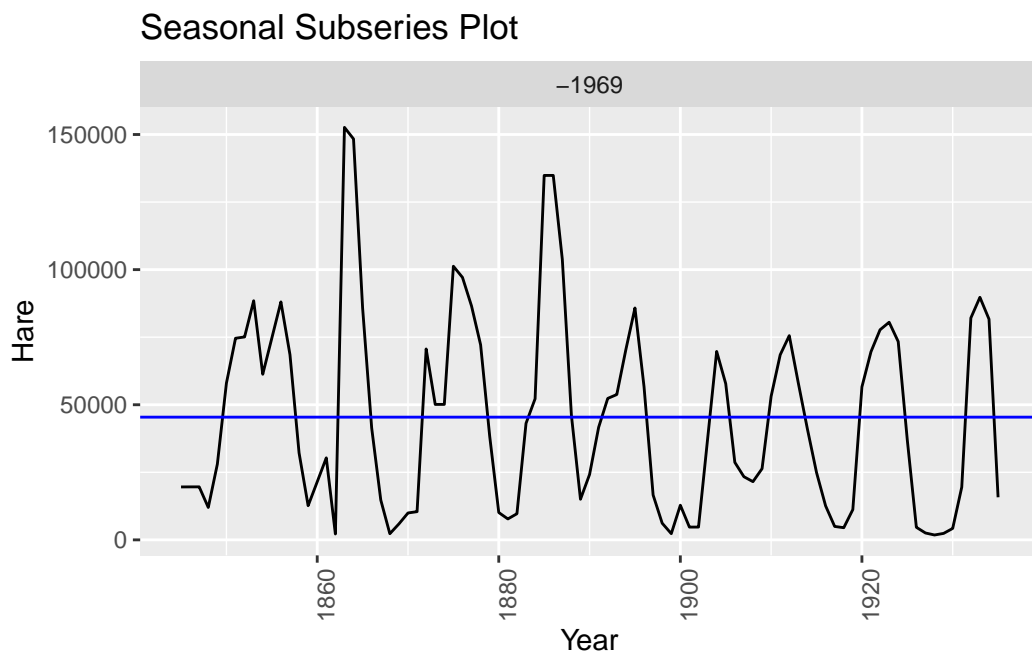
From the data available we see a very flat trend, neither upwards or downwards, punctuated with a high degree of seasonality. Of especial interest is the autocorrelation function, which highlights the autocorrelation of the series dropping off as the peak hunting seasons end.

We can see one peak in particular around 1862, tripling the mean of pelts across the timeseries. This may have been a year of particularly beneficial weather or high hare population, or perhaps simply a temporal high demand.

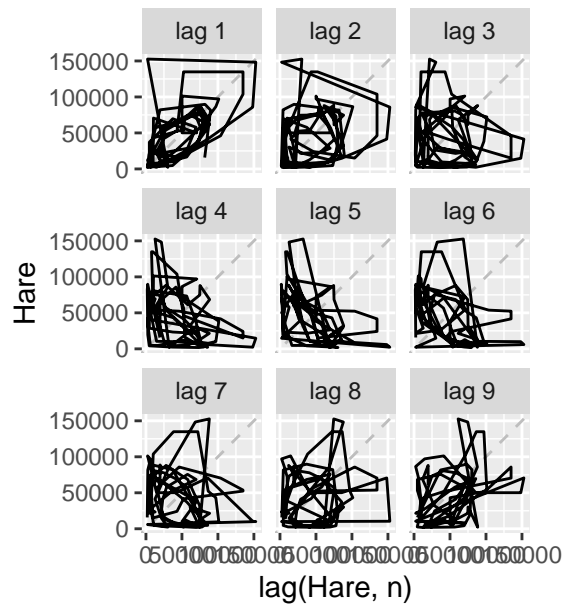
```
plot_series(tsibbledata::pelt, Hare, period = '1y')
```



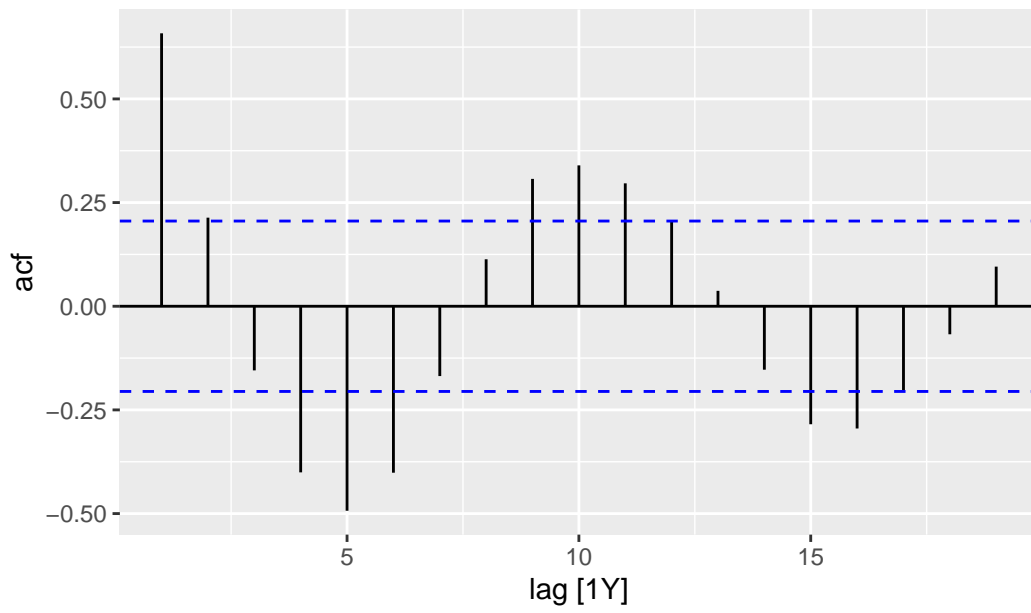
Skipping seasonal plot: The data must contain at least one observation per seasonal period.



Lag Plot



Autocorrelation Function



PBS Cost of Co-payments Series

The PBS data is a bit complex. It covers prescriptions costs across multiple categories which can broadly be broken into Co-payments, where an individual pays for a script out of pocket, and Safety Net, the additional cost beyond a specific threshold which is subsidized.

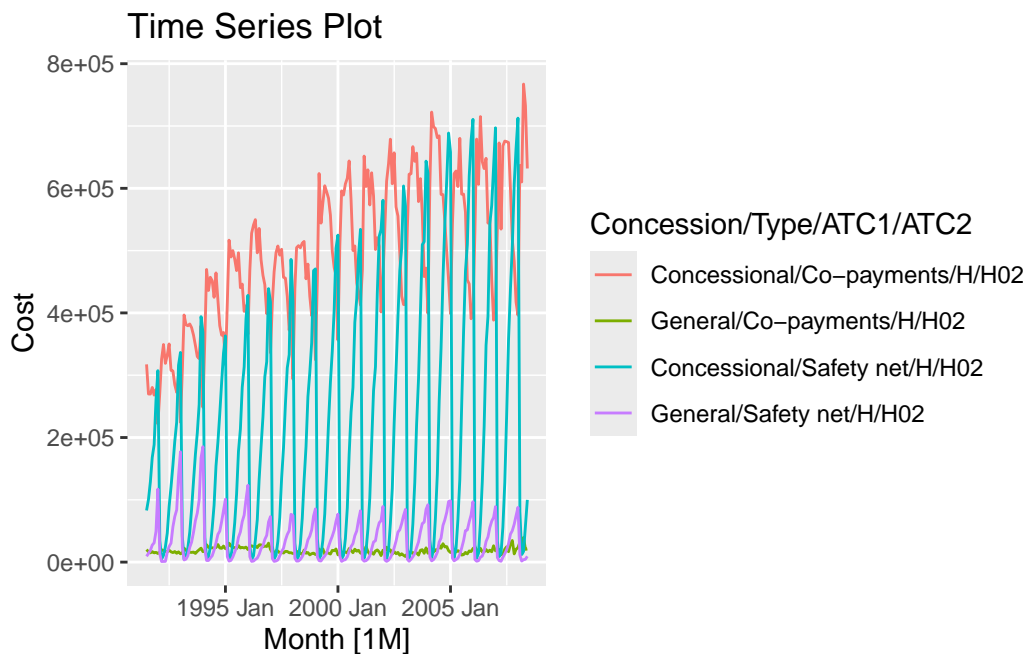
The main story in this data is the increasing costs of subsidized Safety nets. The trend is growing positively and inversely to co-payments, indicating that more and more health costs are being subsidized.

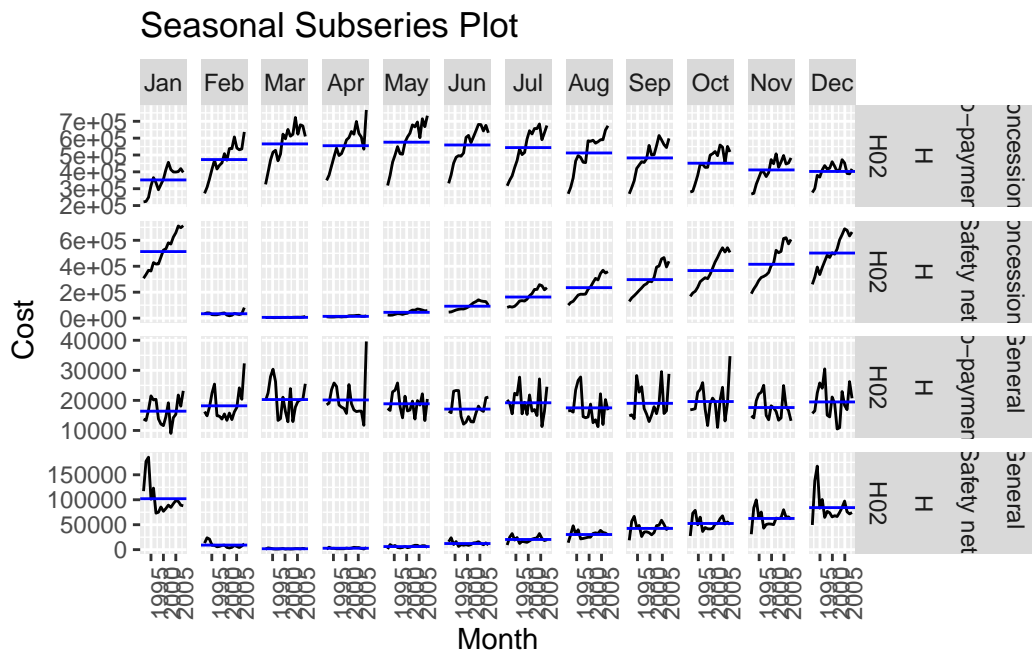
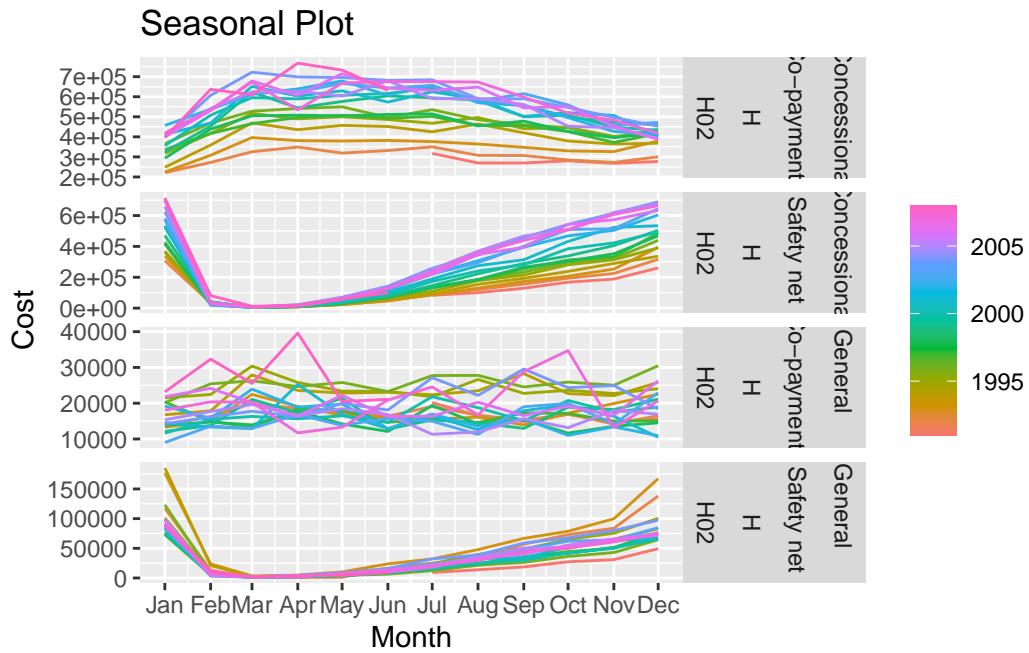
From a seasonality perspective, we can observe safety net (and conversely the lowest co-payments) script costs increase throughout the year, peaking in January before dramatically falling off.

The autocorrelation plot supports this with a cosine shaped distribution, showing the highest correlation around December and January.

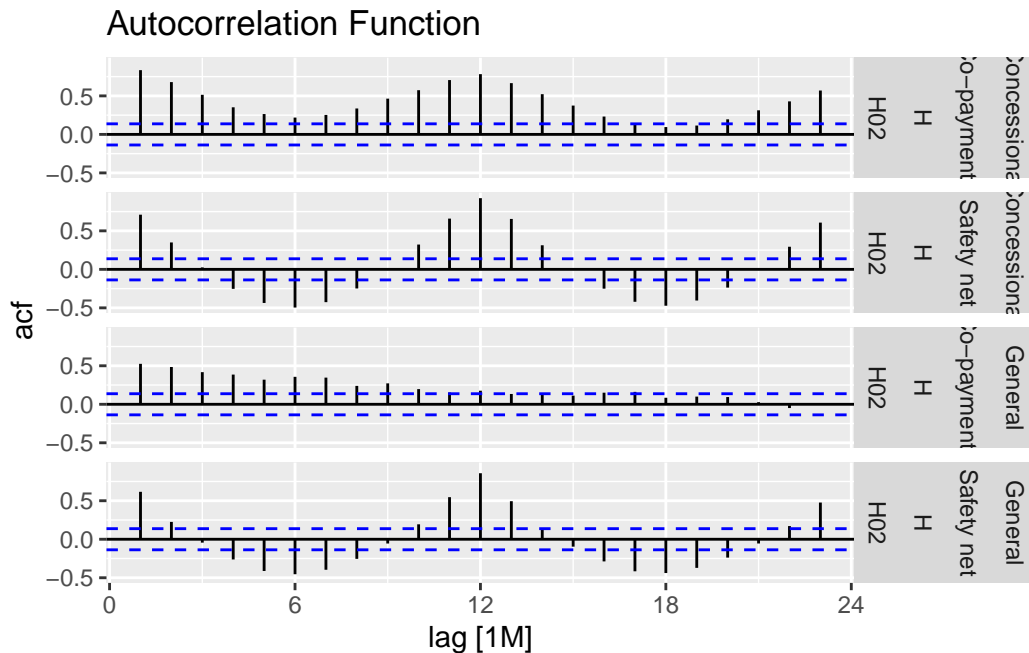
```
# PBS
pbs <- tsibbledata::PBS |>
  filter(ATC2=="H02")

plot_series(data=pbs, Cost)
```





Skipping gglag plot: The data provided to contains more than one time series. Please filter a



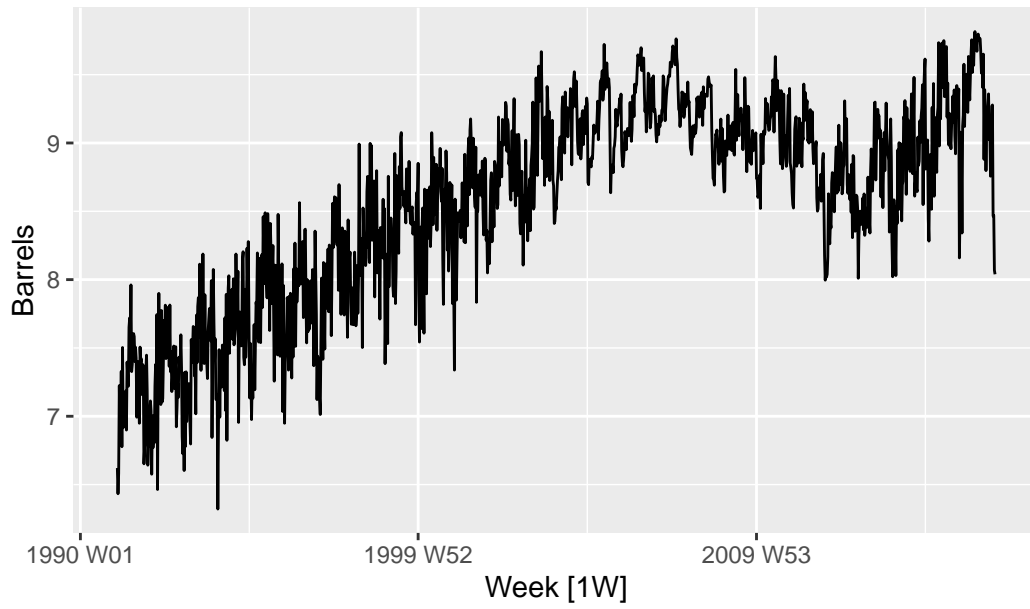
United States Gasoline Production Series

U.S. gasoline production is displayed in these graphs. Another interesting trend, where we see an increase up to the early 2000's before starting to dip and rise again with greater variability. The series is still highly autocorrelated.

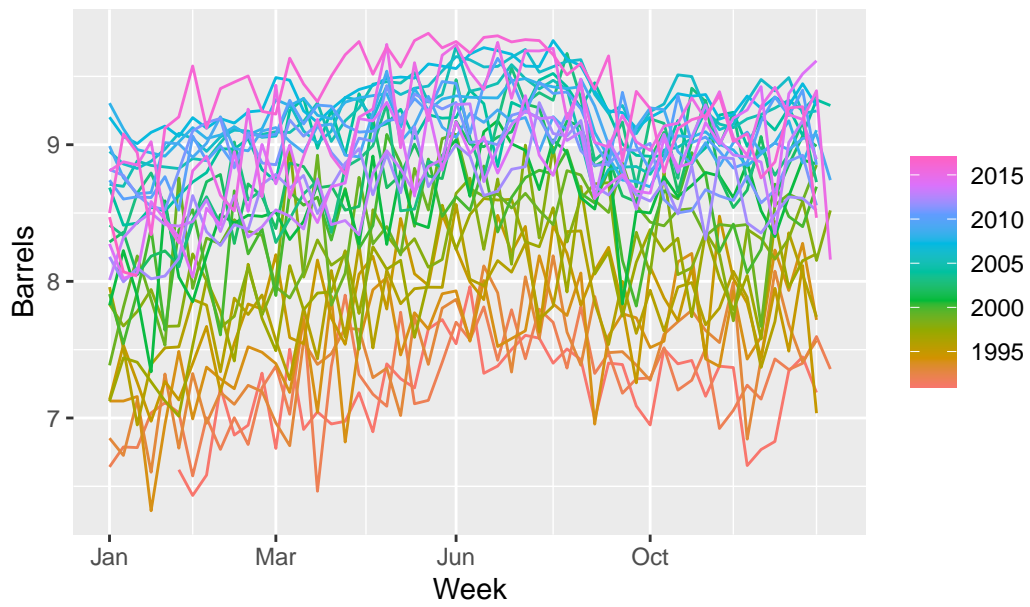
As expected, there's seasonality in summer months, however a surprising increase around major U.S. Holidays, specifically Thanksgiving and Christmas. Given this is related to U.S. production, I would not expect high travel to impact these numbers. More domain knowledge would perhaps explain this data.

```
usgas <- fpp3::us_gasoline
plot_series(usgas, Barrels)
```

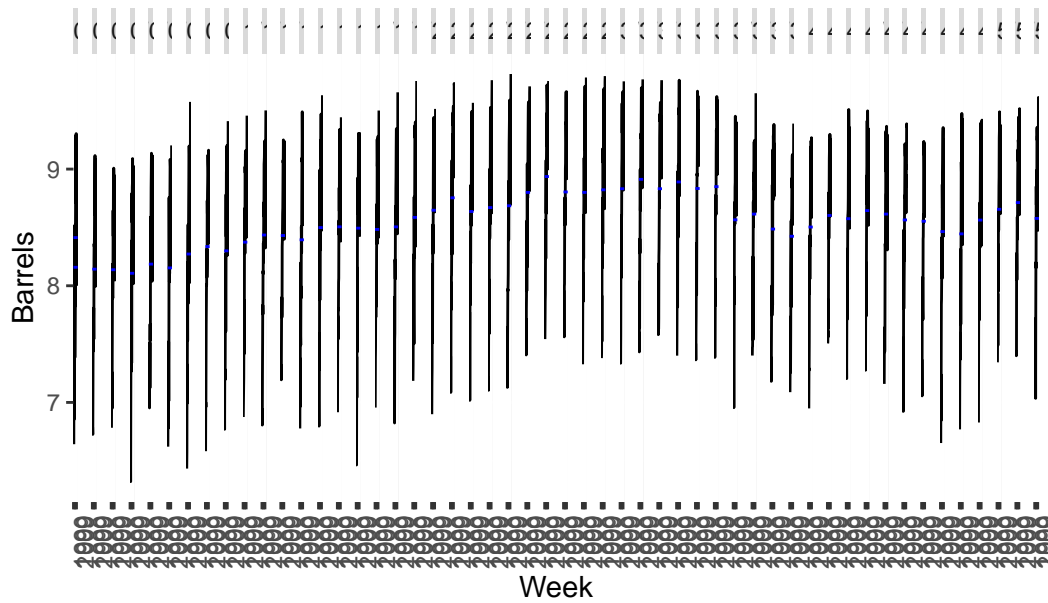
Time Series Plot



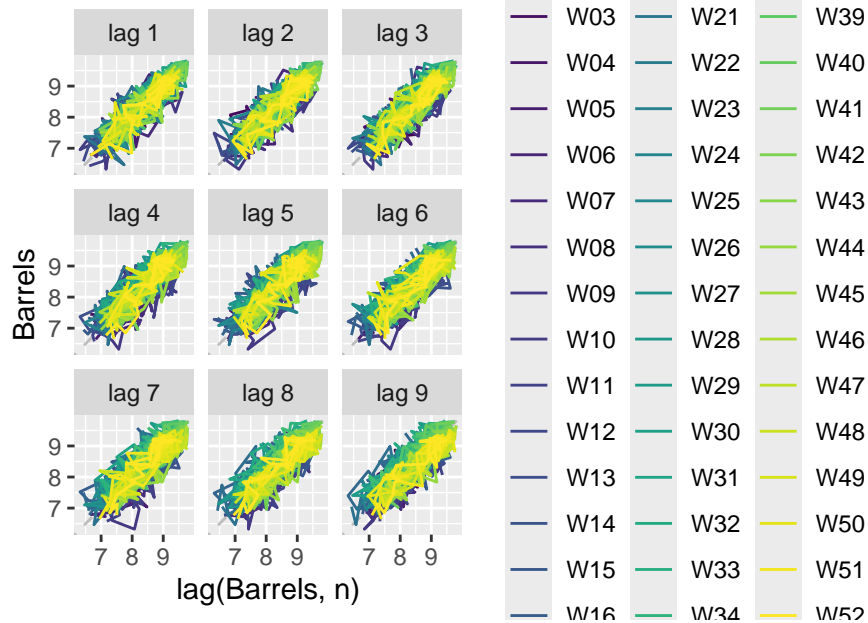
Seasonal Plot

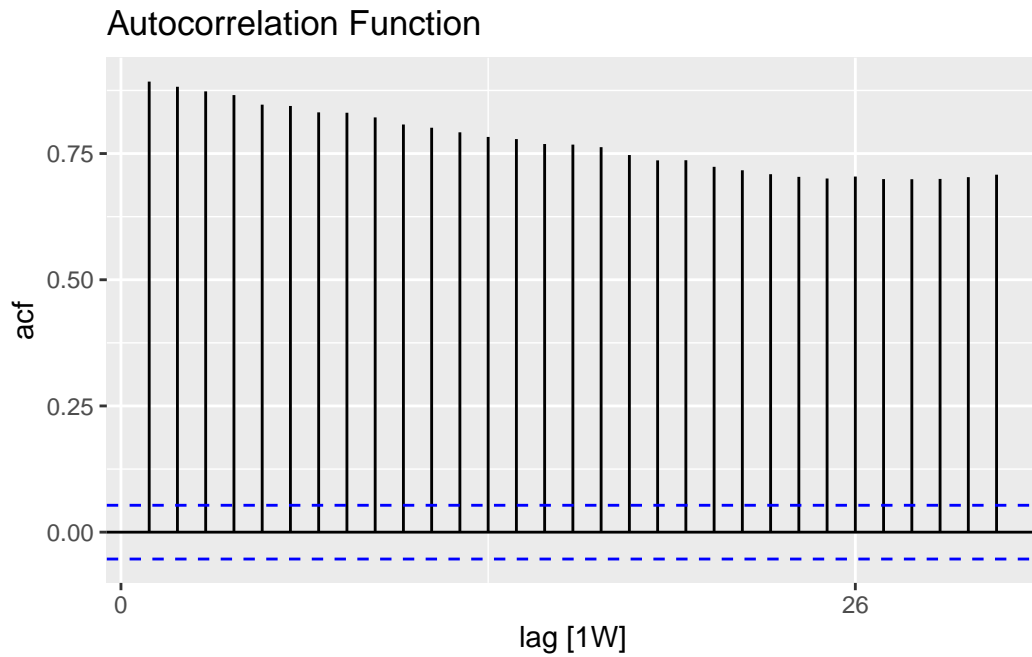


Seasonal Subseries Plot



Lag Plot





Conclusion

Visualizations condense much information into a singular picture that takes advantage of the way our brains work to quickly understand the data we're working with. Combining the visuals with time series data allows us to observe the cadences of the data easily, and is a great starting point for working with time series data.