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- **Time Series Models**

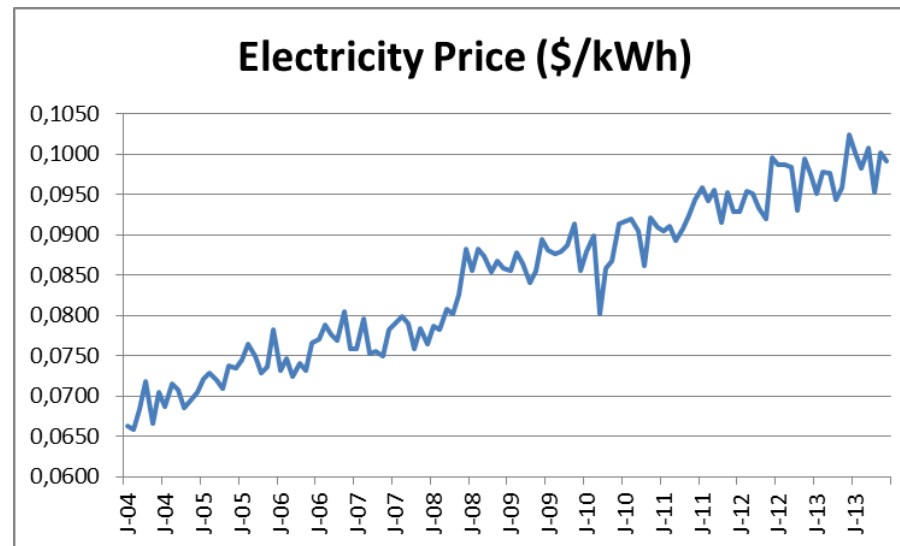
Plan for the day

Learning objectives

- Session 03-04 learning objectives:
 - Conceptual introduction to Time Series modeling: noise, trend and seasonality
 - Methods for Time Series modeling, and their R implementations

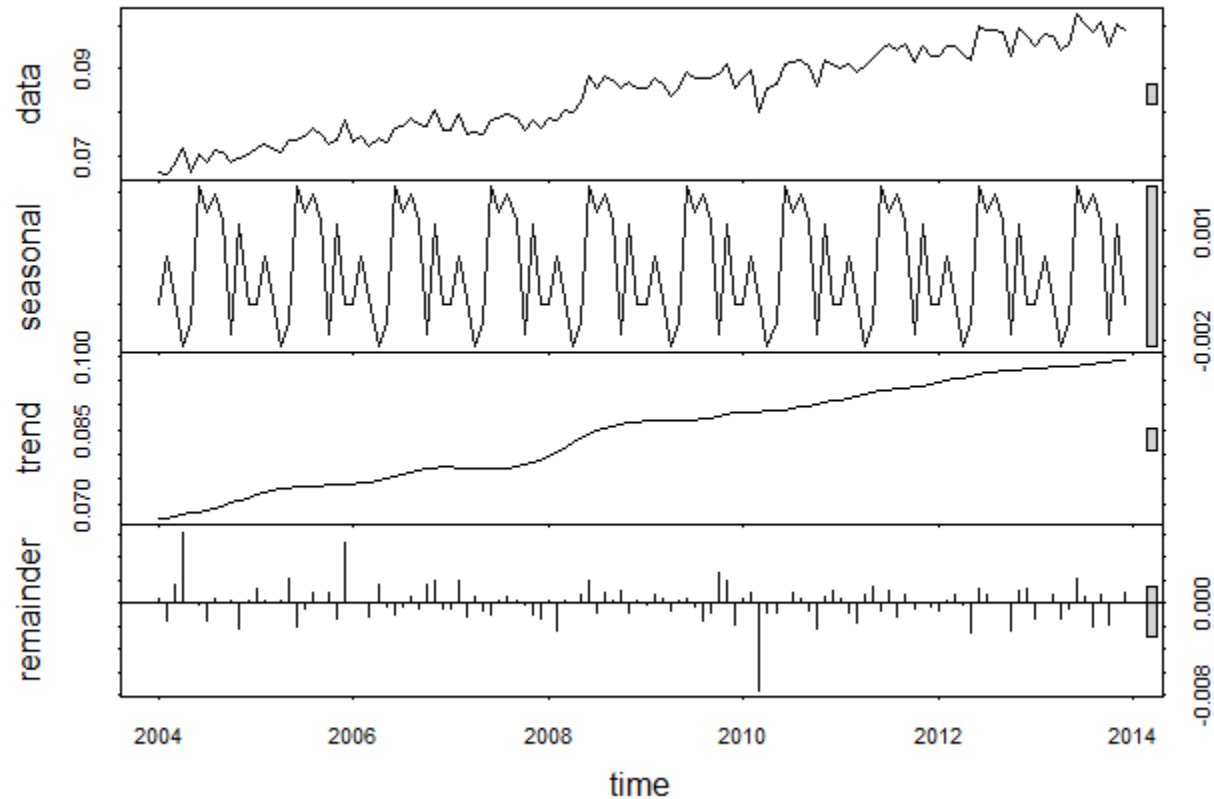
Timeseries

- **Definition:** a time series is a series of data points indexed (or listed or graphed) in time order
- Example: monthly electricity prices in the state of California

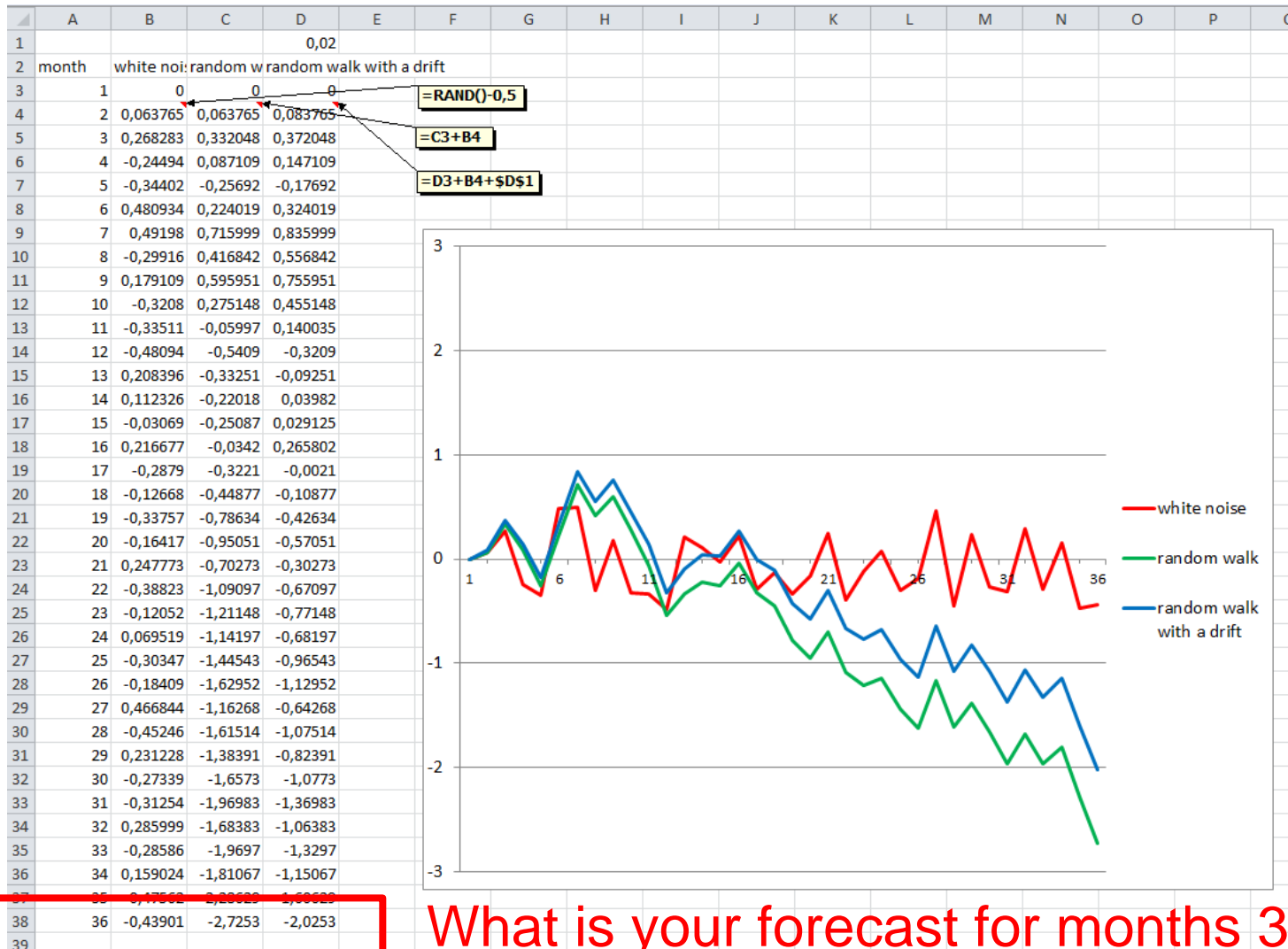


- What do you “see” from/on the graph?
- BTW, why do we need any special methods for time series? Why will regression not be quite sufficient?

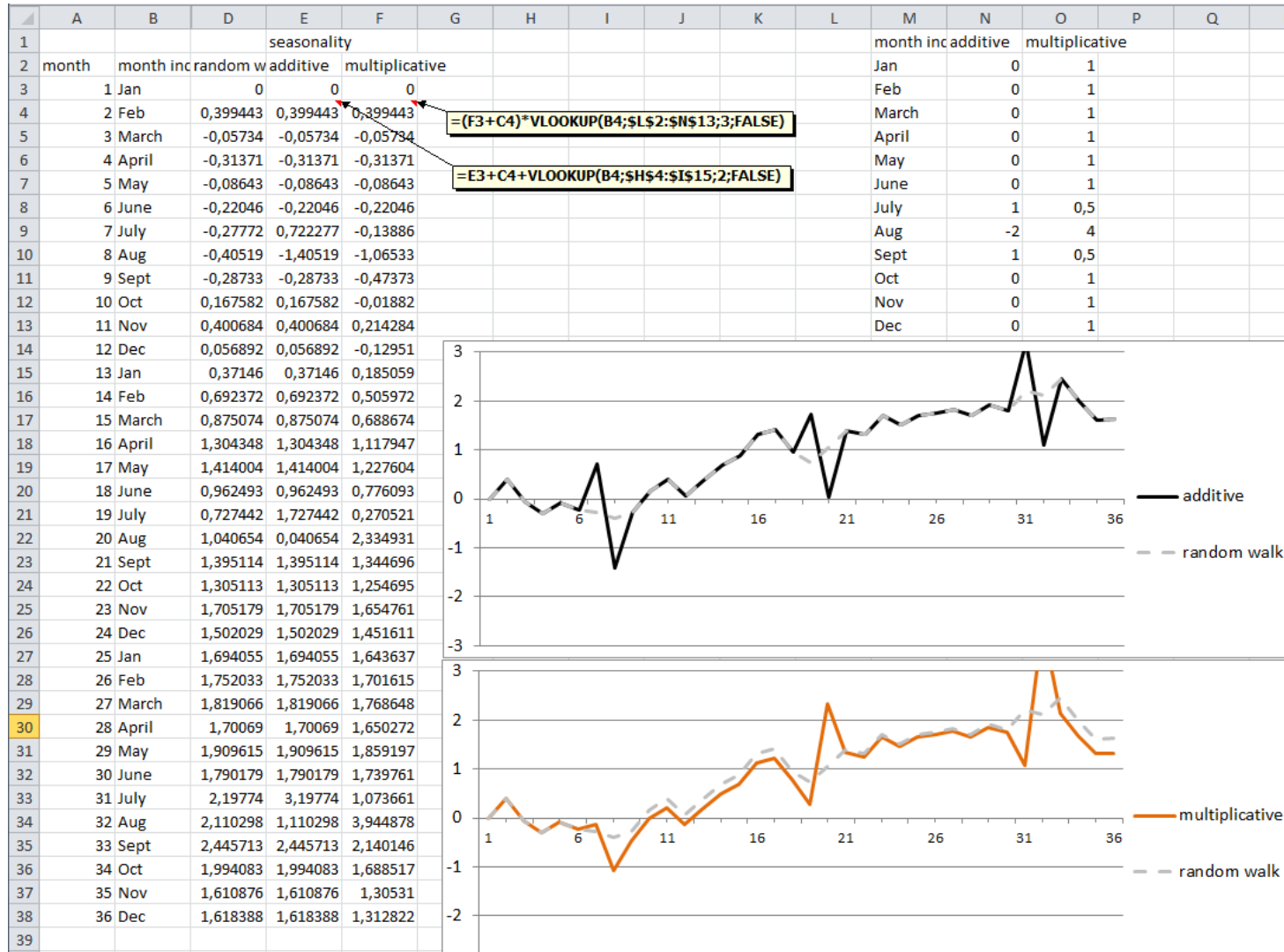
Understanding timeseries: noise, level, trend, seasonality



Conceptual understnaing of noise, level, and trend



Conceptual understnaing of seasonality



Methods for Time Series modeling

- Moving average
- Exponential smoothing
 - New Forecast (“level”) = $\alpha * \text{Actual} + (1 - \alpha) * \text{Old Forecast (“level”)}$
 - Holt’s model: Smoothing with [additive] trend: New Forecast = New Level + New Trend
 - New Level = $\alpha * \text{Actual} + (1 - \alpha) * \text{Old Forecast}$
 - New Trend = $\beta * (\text{New Level} - \text{Old Level}) + (1 - \beta) * \text{Old Trend}$
 - Winter’s model: Smoothing with [additive] trend and seasonality
- Multiplicative smoothing methods
- Decompositions: TBATS (trigonometric Fourier transforms)
- Auto-regressive methods
 - ARMA, ARIMA, etc. (ARCH, GARCH, etc. for variance)
- Any of the above with regressors (covariates/features) – “dynamic regressions”

Timeseries modeling in R: your first example

Context: a small retailer decides whether to install solar panels on the roof of the store and needs to obtain a 30year forecast of electricity prices:

- Datafile “0304 electric rates data.csv” contains the data for monthly averages of prices over the last 10 years
- R script “0304 time series I - decompositions, ets and tbats.R” contains the code

Goal: predict monthly prices for the next 30 years (360 values). Analytical complications: which model(s) to use?

- We will first look at the exponential smoothing (“ets”) and trigonometric decompositions (“tbats”)
- Coding complications:
 - Neither `ets` nor `tbats` are part of the standard R installation; will need to install a package and call a library

Load the data, define a timeseries INSEAD

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- `#install.packages("forecast") #-- do this only once`
- `#Check the book: https://www.otexts.org/fpp and the blog: http://robjhyndman.com/hyndsight/forecasting/`
- `library("forecast")`
- `ElectricPriceData<-read.csv(file.choose(), header=TRUE, sep=",")`
- `ElectricPrice_ts <- ts(ElectricPriceData$ElectricRate,start=2004, frequency=12) # ts function defines the dataset as timeseries starting Jan 2004 and having seasonality of frequency 12 (monthly)`

Decomposition(s)

#plot various decompositions into
error/noise, trend and seasonality

```
fit <- decompose(ElectricPrice_ts,  
type="multiplicative") #decompose  
using "classical" method, multiplicativ  
form
```

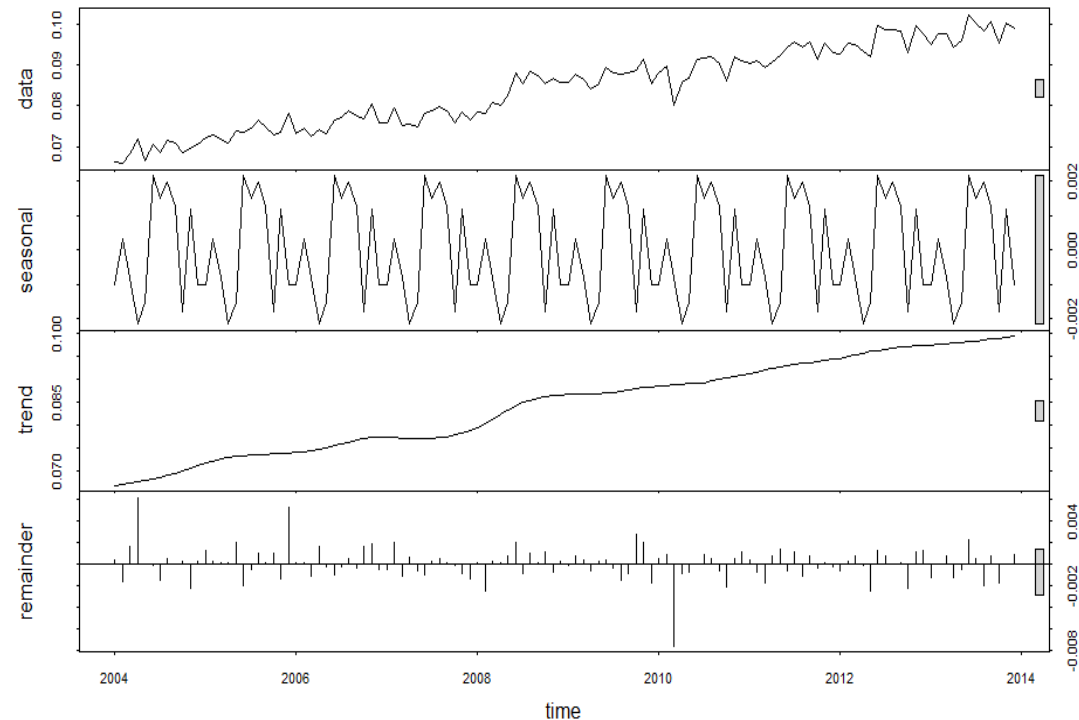
```
plot(fit)
```

```
fit <- decompose(ElectricPrice_ts,  
type="additive") #decompose using  
"classical" method, additive form
```

```
plot(fit)
```

```
fit <- stl(ElectricPrice_ts, t.window=12  
s.window="periodic", robust=TRUE)  
#decompose using STL (Season and  
trend using Loess)
```

```
plot(fit)
```



Exponential smoothing: ets models

ets = “error-trend-seasonality”

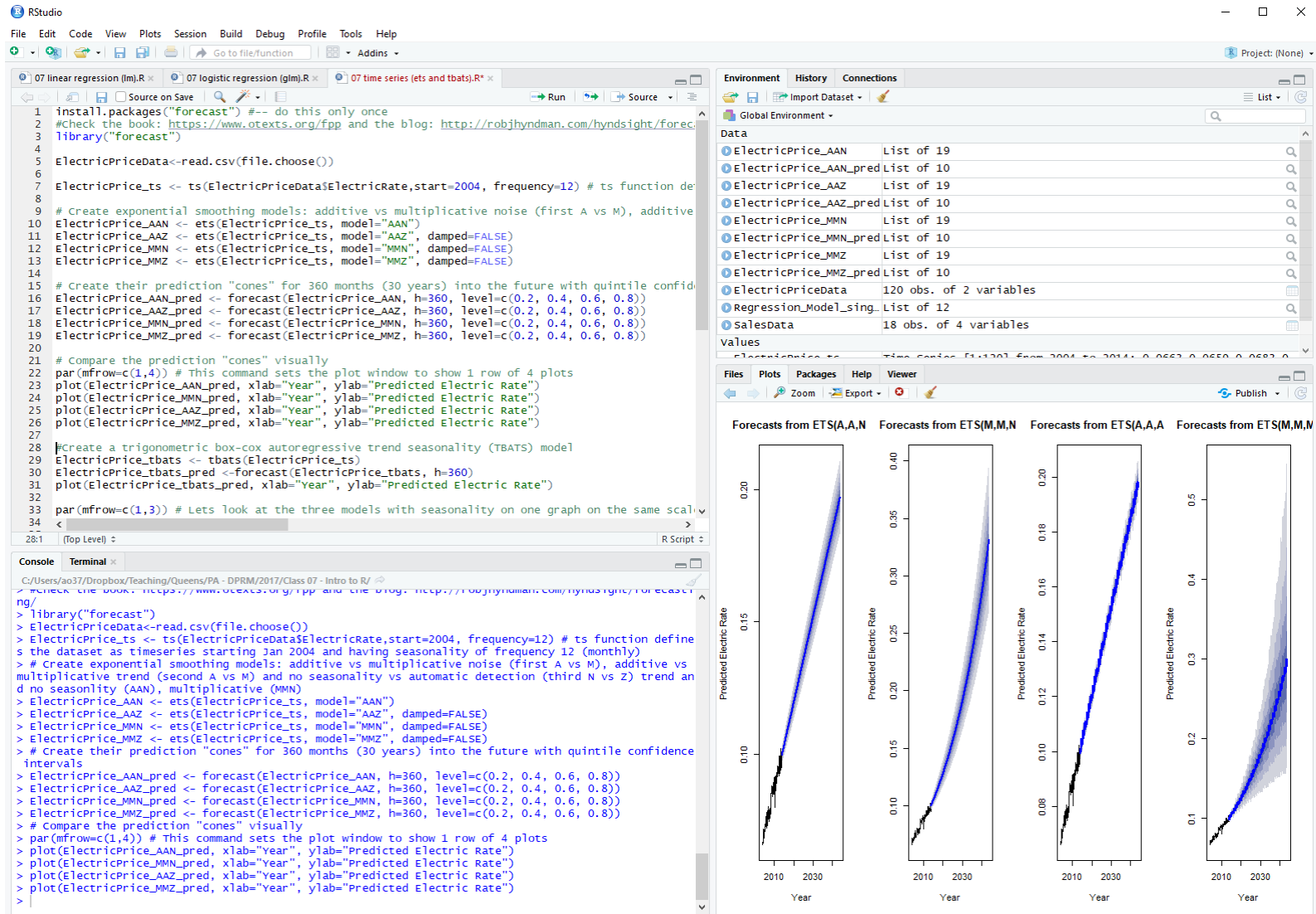
error = {A, M}

trend = {N, A, Ad, M, Md}

seasonality = {N, A, M}

| Trend Component | Seasonal Component | | |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | N | A | M |
| | (None) | (Additive) | (Multiplicative) |
| N (None) | (N,N) | (N,A) | (N,M) |
| A (Additive) | (A,N) | (A,A) | (A,M) |
| A _d (Additive damped) | (A _d ,N) | (A _d ,A) | (A _d ,M) |
| M (Multiplicative) | (M,N) | (M,A) | (M,M) |
| M _d (Multiplicative damped) | (M _d ,N) | (M _d ,A) | (M _d ,M) |

Super-powerful `ets` models in R are VERY easy



ets models: taxonomy

| Trend | N | Seasonal A | M |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| N | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t$ $\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t + s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ |
| A | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t + hb_t$ $\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t + hb_t + s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1} - b_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = (\ell_t + hb_t)s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t/(\ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1})) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ |
| A _d | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t + \phi_h b_t$ $\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)\phi b_{t-1}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t + \phi_h b_t + s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)\phi b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1} - \phi b_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = (\ell_t + \phi_h b_t)s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t - \ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)\phi b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t/(\ell_{t-1} + \phi b_{t-1})) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ |
| M | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^h$ $\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^h + s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^h s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t/(\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1})) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ |
| M _d | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^{\phi_h}$ $\ell_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}^\phi$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}^\phi$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^{\phi_h} + s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t - s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}^\phi$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}^\phi$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t - \ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}^\phi) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ | $\hat{y}_{t+h t} = \ell_t b_t^{\phi_h} s_{t-m+h_m^+}$ $\ell_t = \alpha(y_t/s_{t-m}) + (1 - \alpha)\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}^\phi$ $b_t = \beta^*(\ell_t/\ell_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*)b_{t-1}^\phi$ $s_t = \gamma(y_t/(\ell_{t-1}b_{t-1}^\phi)) + (1 - \gamma)s_{t-m}$ |

ets models: reading output

> ElectricPrice_AAZ

ETS(A,A,A)

What does AAA mean?

Additive noise, Additive trend, Additive seasonality

Call: ets(y = ElectricPrice_ts, model = "AAZ", damped = FALSE)

Smoothing parameters:

alpha = 0.0583

What does a small alpha mean?

Stable series, not much reaction to the noise

beta = 5e-04

If beta~0, does this mean no trend?

No, beta=0 means a stable trend (little change)

gamma = 0.0311

What does small gamma mean?

Stable seasonal indicies

Initial states:

l = 0.0678

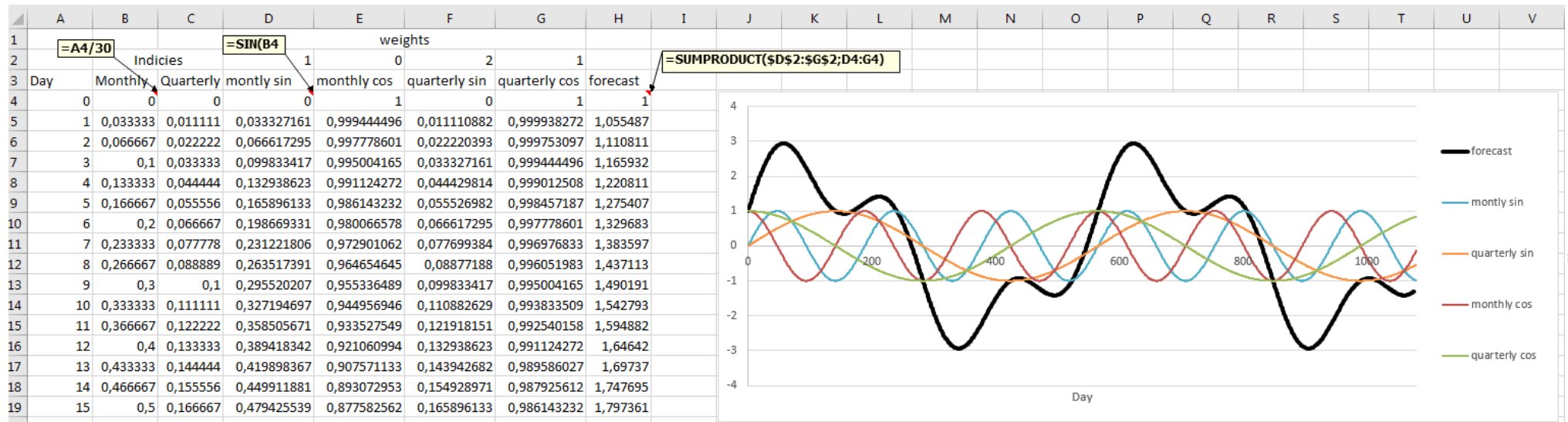
b = 3e-04

s=-0.0013 0.0015 -0.0011 0.0012 0.0025 9e-04 0.0022 -0.0019 -0.0016 -0.0016 3e-04 -0.001

| (N,N) | = simple exponential smoothing |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (A,N) | = Holts linear method |
| (M,N) | = Exponential trend method |
| (A _d ,N) | = additive damped trend method |
| (M _d ,N) | = multiplicative damped trend method |
| (A,A) | = additive Holt-Winters method |
| (A,M) | = multiplicative Holt-Winters method |
| (A _d ,M) | = Holt-Winters damped method |

| Method | Initial values |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (N,N) | $\ell_0 = y_1$ |
| (A,N) (A _d ,N) | $\ell_0 = y_1, b_0 = y_2 - y_1$ |
| (M,N) (M _d ,N) | $\ell_0 = y_1, b_0 = y_2/y_1$ |
| (A,A) (A _d ,A) | $\ell_0 = \frac{1}{m}(y_1 + \dots + y_m)$ $b_0 = \frac{1}{m} \left[\frac{y_{m+1}-y_1}{m} + \dots + \frac{y_{m+m}-y_m}{m} \right]$ $s_0 = y_m - \ell_0, s_{-1} = y_{m-1} - \ell_0, \dots, s_{-m+1} = y_1 - \ell_0$ |
| (A,M) (A _d ,M) | $\ell_0 = \frac{1}{m}(y_1 + \dots + y_m)$ $b_0 = \frac{1}{m} \left[\frac{y_{m+1}-y_1}{m} + \dots + \frac{y_{m+m}-y_m}{m} \right]$ $s_0 = y_m/\ell_0, s_{-1} = y_{m-1}/\ell_0, \dots, s_{-m+1} = y_1/\ell_0$ |

Trigonometric seasonality: sin() and cos() “waves”



- By adding more “waves” of different periodicities (monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, etc.), changing their weights, and adding “shifted waves” (month_{t-1} wave, etc.) you can create very elaborate seasonal patterns – “TBATS” model

(trigonometric box-cox autoregressive trend seasonality)

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```
> ElectricPrice_tsbats
TBATS(1, {0,0}, 1, {<12,5>})

Call: tsbats(y = ElectricPrice_ts)

Parameters
  Alpha: 0.3119223
  Beta: 0.001059521
  Damping Parameter: 1
  Gamma-1 Values: -2.603098e-05
  Gamma-2 Values: 6.753875e-05
```

```
Seed States:
[1,] 6.745943e-02
[2,] 1.987776e-04
[3,] -1.073112e-03
[4,] 1.006799e-03
[5,] -3.903458e-04
[6,] -7.505053e-04
[7,] 2.052910e-04
[8,] -7.061269e-04
[9,] 4.476049e-05
[10,] 1.308425e-04
[11,] 4.571218e-05
[12,] 9.594969e-04
```

Sigma: 0.001754992
AIC: -916.3708

✓
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Understanding TBATS output

“1”:

Box-cox transformation
(removing outliers)
1=nothing removed

“{0,0}”:

Autoregressive moving average:
 $\{p,q\}$ = numbers of values in ARMA

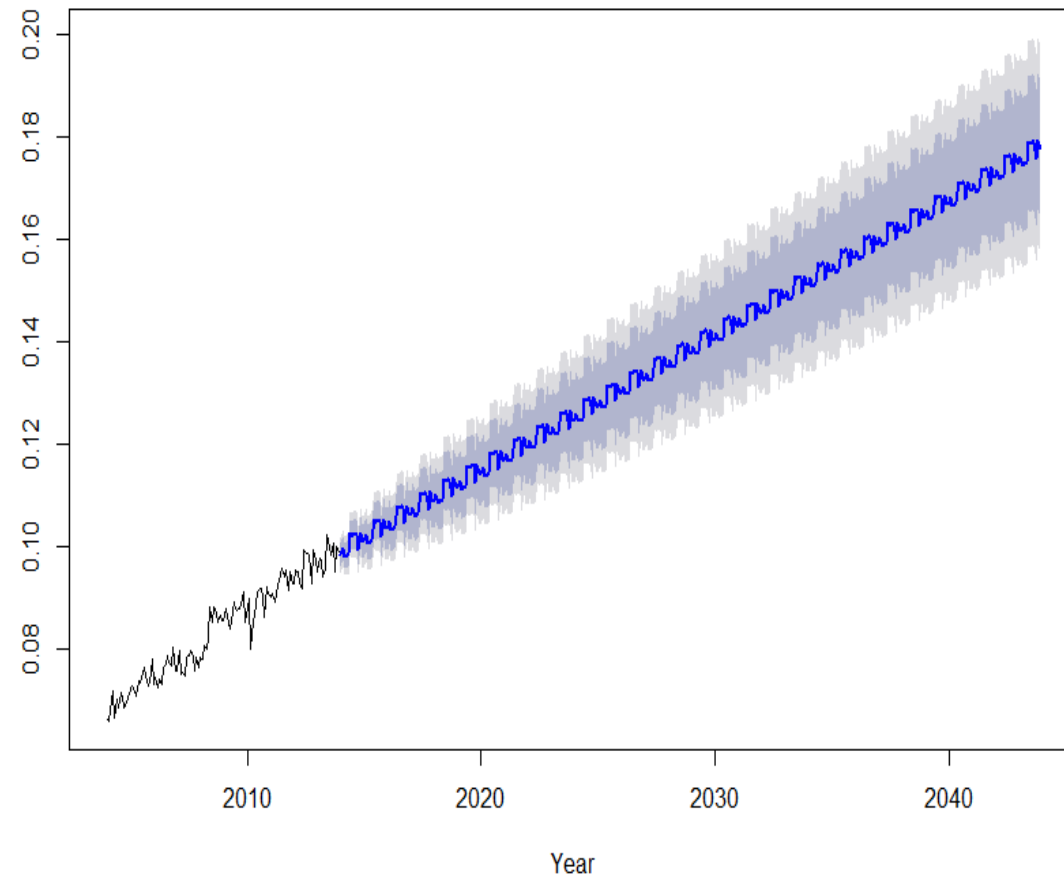
“1”:

Dampening parameter (1=not dampened)

“(12,5)”:

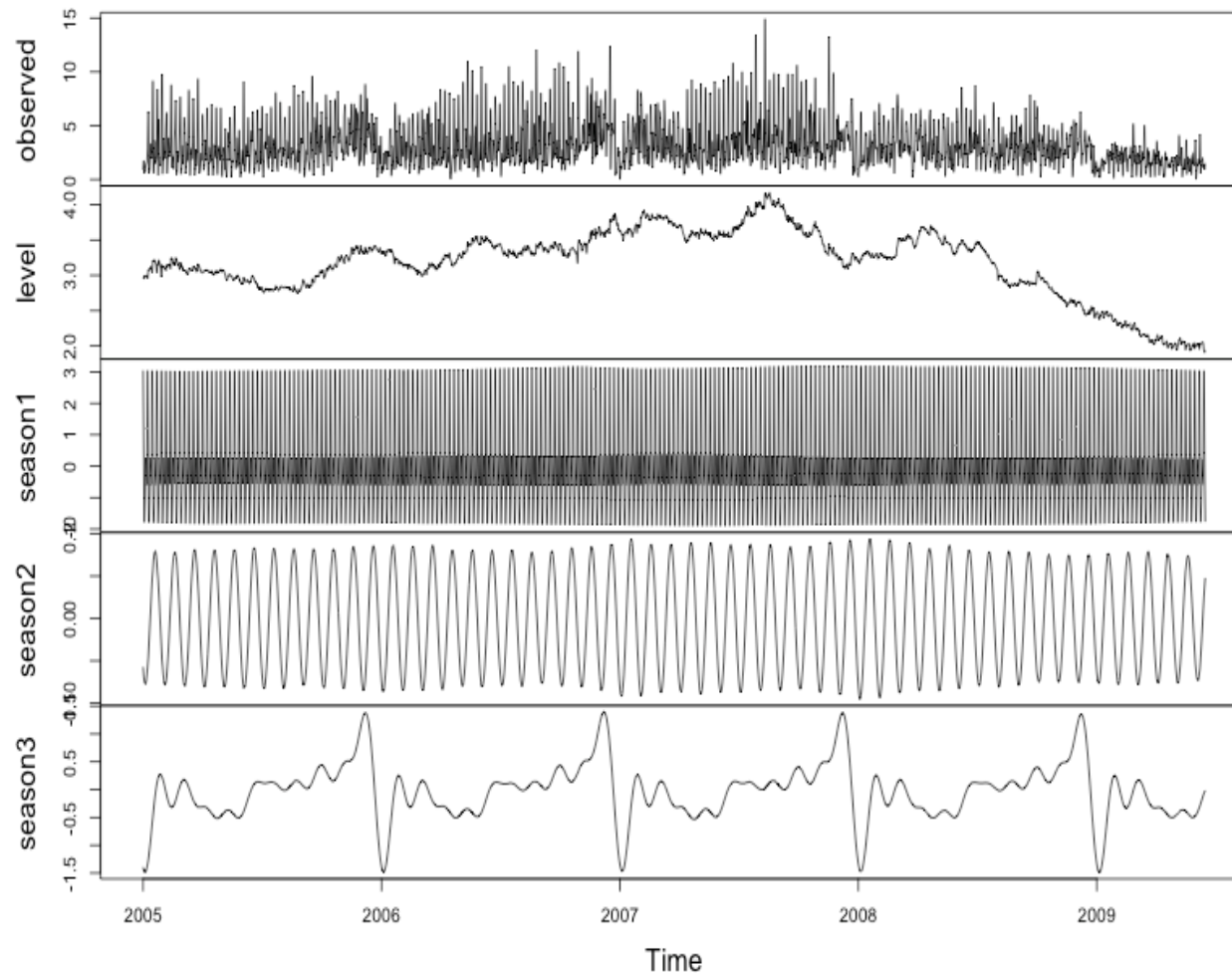
Number of seasonal periods,
Number of trigonometric
("Fourier") terms for each
seasonality

Forecasts from TBATS(1, {0,0}, 1, {<12,5>})



Multiple seasonalities: beyond this course ☹️

Decomposition by TBATS model



ARIMA: “differencing”, moving average and auto-regression

- “differencing” – creating new variables by taking differences between consecutive observations ($y_t - y_{t-1}$)

- Auto-regression:

$$y_t = c + \phi_1 y_{t-1} + \phi_2 y_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p y_{t-p} + e_t,$$

- $y_t = a + b * y_{t-1} + \text{error}_t$

- Moving average:

$$y_t = c + e_t + \theta_1 e_{t-1} + \theta_2 e_{t-2} + \dots + \theta_q e_{t-q},$$

- $y_t = a + b * \text{error}_{t-1} + \text{error}_t$

- ARIMA: “auto-regressive integrated moving average”

- ARIMA(p,d,q):

$$y'_t = c + \phi_1 y'_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p y'_{t-p} + \theta_1 e_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q e_{t-q} + e_t,$$

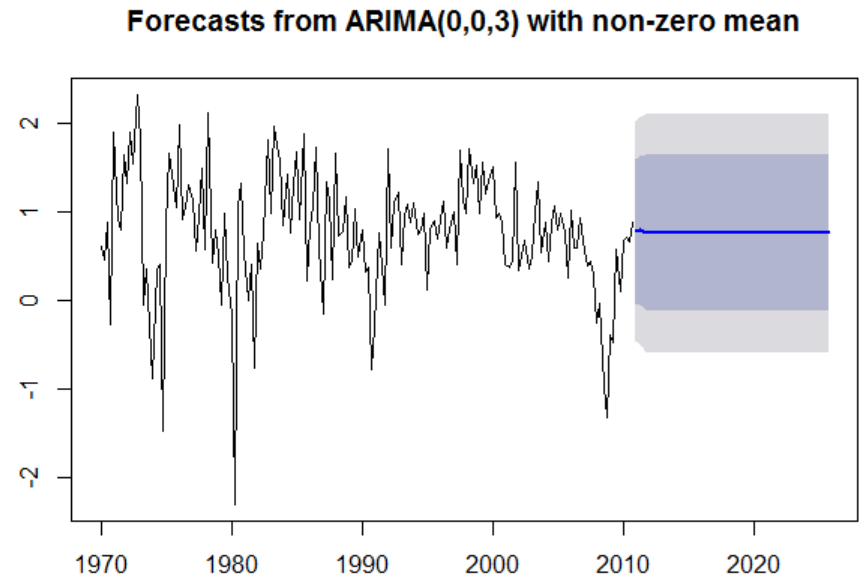
- p = num of auto-regressive terms
 - d = “order” of first difference
 - q = num of moving average terms

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| White noise | ARIMA(0,0,0) |
| Random walk | ARIMA(0,1,0) with no constant |
| Random walk with drift | ARIMA(0,1,0) with a constant |
| Autoregression | ARIMA(p,0,0) |
| Moving average | ARIMA(0,0,q) |

- Auto-Correlation Function (ACF), ACF plot

US consumption data (from FPP)

```
> fit <- auto.arima(usconsumption[,1],seasonal=FALSE) #automatically  
fits the ARIMA model (auto-regressive integrated moving average)  
> fit  
Series: usconsumption[, 1]  
ARIMA(0,0,3) with non-zero mean  
  
Coefficients:  
          ma1      ma2      ma3      mean  
    0.2542   0.2260   0.2695   0.7562  
s.e.  0.0767   0.0779   0.0692   0.0844  
  
sigma^2 estimated as 0.3953: log likelihood=-154.73  
AIC=319.46 AICC=319.84 BIC=334.96
```



ARIMA and seasonality example: a10 dataset (from FPP)

- $\text{ARIMA}(p,d,q) (P,D,Q)_m$ ← number of periods in a per season
 └─ non-seasonal part seasonal part

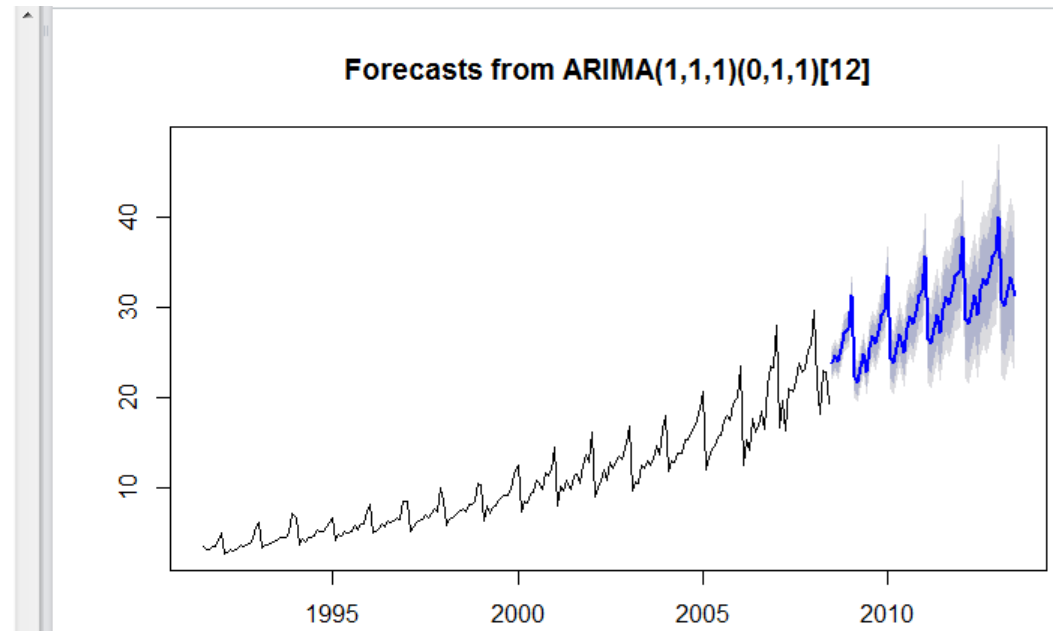
```
>
> fit <- auto.arima(a10,seasonal=FALSE)
> fit
Series: a10
ARIMA(1,1,1) with drift

Coefficients:
      ar1      ma1    drift
      0.314   -0.9164   0.0965
s.e.   0.075    0.0262   0.0171

sigma^2 estimated as 3.626: log likelihood=-417.92
AIC=843.84  AICC=844.04  BIC=857.09
> fit <- auto.arima(a10,seasonal=TRUE)
> fit
Series: a10
ARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[12]

Coefficients:
      ar1      ma1     sma1
      -0.2504   -0.6674   -0.4725
s.e.   0.1007    0.0870    0.0641

sigma^2 estimated as 0.8756: log likelihood=-258.82
AIC=525.63  AICC=525.85  BIC=538.64
> plot(forecast(fit,60)) #60 stands for 60 months = 5 years
>
>
```



Dynamic Regression: timeseries with regressors/covariates

- In classes 0102 (Sarah's case) we considered predicting Y variable (price) by knowing some other variables (weight, color, etc.).
 - Those variables are sometimes called covariates, or features
- Today (so far) we considered predicting Y variable (eclectic price, consumption, etc.) by knowing how Y itself evolved in the past – time series analyses
- Can the two approaches be combined?
 - Of course! This has two names:
 - “dynamic regression” or
 - “time series with regressors/covariates/features”

Dynamic Regression example: insurance quotes and advertising

- **Context:** we have data on the number of new insurance quotes and advertising in the previous period. Naturally expect two kinds of dependencies:
 - “direct effect”: more advertising today = more new quotes today
 - “carryover effects”:
 - more advertising yesterday = more new quotes today
 - more new quotes yesterday = more new quotes today

```
Advert <- cbind(insurance[,2],
               c(NA,insurance[1:39,2]),
               c(NA,NA,insurance[1:38,2]),
               c(NA,NA,NA,insurance[1:37,2]))
resname(advert) <- paste("AdLag",0:2, sep="")
```

custom (written “by you”) R function
to create variables with lags 2,3,4

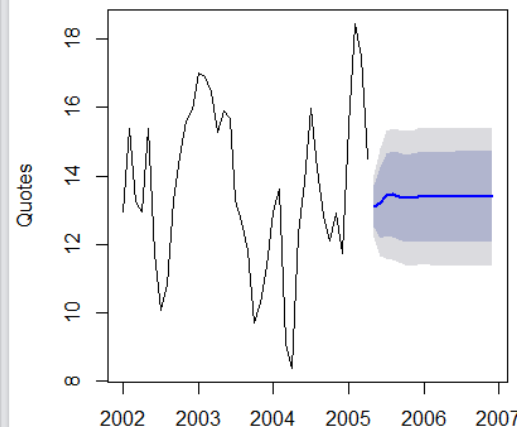
```
>
> fit <- auto.arima(insurance[,1], xreg=Advert[,1:2], d=0)
> fit
Series: insurance[, 1]
Regression with ARIMA(3,0,0) errors

Coefficients:
      ar1      ar2      ar3  intercept  AdLag0  AdLag1
      1.4117  -0.9317  0.3591      2.0393   1.2564   0.1625
s.e.    0.1698   0.2545  0.1592      0.9931   0.0667   0.0591

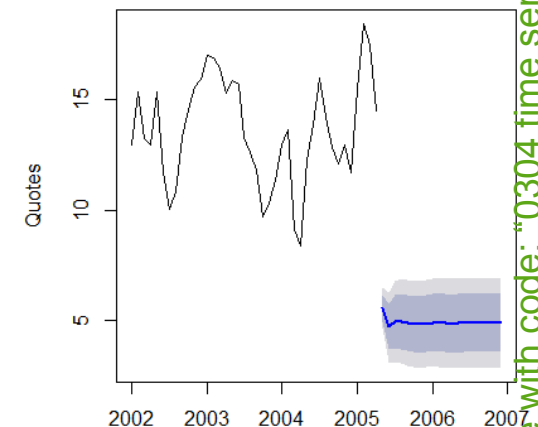
sigma^2 estimated as 0.2165:  log likelihood=-23.89
AIC=61.78  AICC=65.28  BIC=73.6
```

```
>
> par(mfrow=c(1,2))
> fc8 <- forecast(fit, xreg=cbind(rep(8,20),c(Advert[40,1],rep(8,19))), h=20)
> plot(fc8, main="Forecast quotes with advertising set to 8", ylab="Quotes")
> fc2 <- forecast(fit, xreg=cbind(rep(2,20),c(Advert[40,1],rep(2,19))), h=20)
> plot(fc2, main="Forecast quotes with advertising set to 2", ylab="Quotes")
>
```

Forecast quotes with advertising set to 8



Forecast quotes with advertising set to 2



Summary of Sessions 3-4

- On many occasions data are indexed by time – timeseries data
- Such data requires special analytical tools, which explicitly account for the fact that prediction errors increase over time
- We discussed concepts and implementations of four families of models:
 - Exponential smoothing (ets)
 - Trigonometric decompositions (tbats)
 - Auto-regressive moving averages (ARIMA)
 - Dynamic regressions (we saw an example based on ARIMA, but the concept applies to any method)
- As with regression: through coding and R, very powerful time series analytics can be implemented in minutes
- Many resources online: e.g., FPP book <https://www.otexts.org/fpp> and blog: <http://robjhyndman.com/hyndsight/forecasting/>

Next...

- Group Assignment 1: **Yahoo's acquisition of Tumblr**
 - Due 8:25am of AB Sessions 5-6 morning (next Tue, Jan 30), upload to INSEAD portal
- Module II of the course: predicting events / “classification”
 - Sessions 5-6: metrics for classification and two main methods: logistic regression and CART
 - Tutorial 2 (mid-term R help, specifically on classification)
 - Assignment 2 (predicting credit defaults)
 - Session 7: credit defaults case discussion + other methods: random forest, xgboost, regularizations (LASSO/Ridge)



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