

Forecasts

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = S\mathbf{Y}_{K,t}$$

Let $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_n(h)$ be vector of independent (base) forecasts for horizon h , stacked in same order as \mathbf{Y}_t .

Write

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_n(h) = S\boldsymbol{\beta}_n(h) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_h$$

where

- $\boldsymbol{\beta}_n(h) = E[\mathbf{Y}_{K,n+h} \mid \mathbf{Y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{Y}_n]$ is unknown mean of bottom level K
- $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_h$ has zero mean and covariance matrix Σ_h .

Idea: Estimate $\boldsymbol{\beta}_n(h)$ using regression.