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FORECASTING OF THE NEXT DEMAND

ts is a time period component. And the monthly sales of mixer grinder from 2016 to 2019 is shown. I have 4 years of data. "ts" represents the time series index or time period component. It is a sequential numbering or labeling of the data points in the time series dataset. Each value of "**ts**" corresponds to a specific time point or period, in this case, represented as a combination of month and year.

| Year | ts | Month | Sales | | | | |
|------|----|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| 2016 | 1 | 1 | 460 | | | | |
| 2016 | 2 | 2 | 446 | | | | |
| 2016 | 3 | 3 | 413 | | | | |
| 2016 | 4 | 4 | 399 | | | | |
| 2016 | 5 | 5 | 401 | | | | |
| 2016 | 6 | 6 | 373 | | | | |
| 2016 | 7 | 7 | 380 | | | | |
| 2016 | 8 | 8 | 354 | | | | |
| 2016 | 9 | 9 | 592 | | | | |
| 2016 | 10 | 10 | 482 | | | | |
| 2016 | 11 | 11 | 574 | | | | |
| 2016 | 12 | 12 | 699 | | | | |
| 2017 | 13 | 1 | 488 | | | | |
| 2017 | 14 | 2 | 505 | | | | |
| 2017 | 15 | 3 | 539 | | | | |
| 2017 | 16 | 4 | 412 | | | | |
| 2017 | 17 | 5 | 533 | | | | |
| 2017 | 18 | 6 | 368 | | | | |
| 2017 | 19 | 7 | 484 | | | | |
| 2017 | 20 | 8 | 512 | | | | |
| 2017 | 21 | 9 | 651 | | | | |
| 2017 | 22 | 10 | 568 | | | | |
| 2017 | 23 | 11 | 647 | | | | |
| 2017 | 24 | 12 | 863 | | | | |
| 2018 | 25 | 1 | 612 | | | | |
| 2018 | 26 | 2 | 675 | | | | |
| 2018 | 27 | 3 | 610 | | | | |
| 2018 | 28 | | | | | | |
| 2018 | 29 | 5 | 402 | | | | |

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|------|----|----|-----|--|
| 2018 | 30 | 6 | 451 | |
| 2018 | 31 | 7 | 501 | |
| 2018 | 32 | 8 | 695 | |
| 2018 | 33 | 9 | 610 | |
| 2018 | 34 | 10 | 636 | |
| 2018 | 35 | 11 | 821 | |
| 2018 | 36 | 12 | 669 | |
| 2019 | 37 | 1 | 484 | |
| 2019 | 38 | 2 | 662 | |
| 2019 | 39 | 3 | 472 | |
| 2019 | 40 | 4 | 420 | |
| 2019 | 41 | 5 | 339 | |
| 2019 | 42 | 6 | 364 | |
| 2019 | 43 | 7 | 373 | |
| 2019 | 44 | 8 | 317 | |
| 2019 | 45 | 9 | 333 | |
| 2019 | 46 | 10 | 333 | |
| 2019 | 47 | 11 | 300 | |

Decomposition of a time series into its trend, seasonality, and error components.

The trend component represents the overall direction of the time series, whether it is increasing, decreasing, or staying constant. Seasonality refers to patterns that repeat over a specific period, such as daily, weekly, or yearly patterns. The error component represents the unexplained or random variation in the data.

To estimate the components of a time series, you can use various methods.

One simple approach is the moving average method, where you calculate the average of a certain number of consecutive observations to smooth out the fluctuations and estimate the trend component. For example, using a 3-period moving average, you would calculate the average of the current observation, the one before it, and the one after it.

Once you have estimated the trend and seasonality components, you can analyze the remaining error component to understand how other variables, such as price or competing product prices, affect the series. This can be done through regression analysis or by examining the relationship between the error component and the relevant variables.

Overall, decomposing a time series into its components allows you to understand and model the different factors that contribute to its behavior.

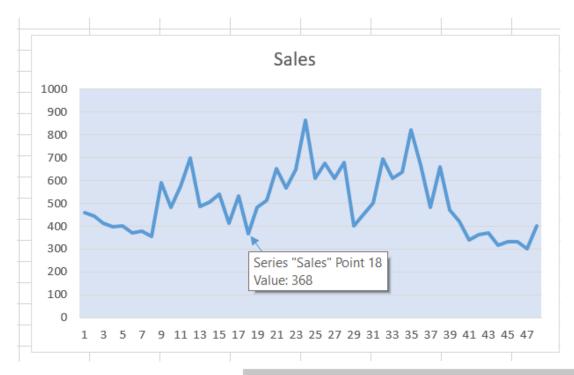
By analyzing and modeling each component separately, you can gain insights into the underlying patterns and relationships within the data.

To identify the seasonality component, you can analyze the patterns that repeat over a specific period. For instance, if you have monthly data and observe a pattern that repeats every 12 months, you can infer a yearly seasonality. You can estimate the seasonality component by subtracting the trend component from the original data.

The remaining component after removing the trend and seasonality is the error component. It represents the part of the time series that cannot be explained by the trend and seasonality factors alone. This component may include random fluctuations, measurement errors, or other factors that influence the series.

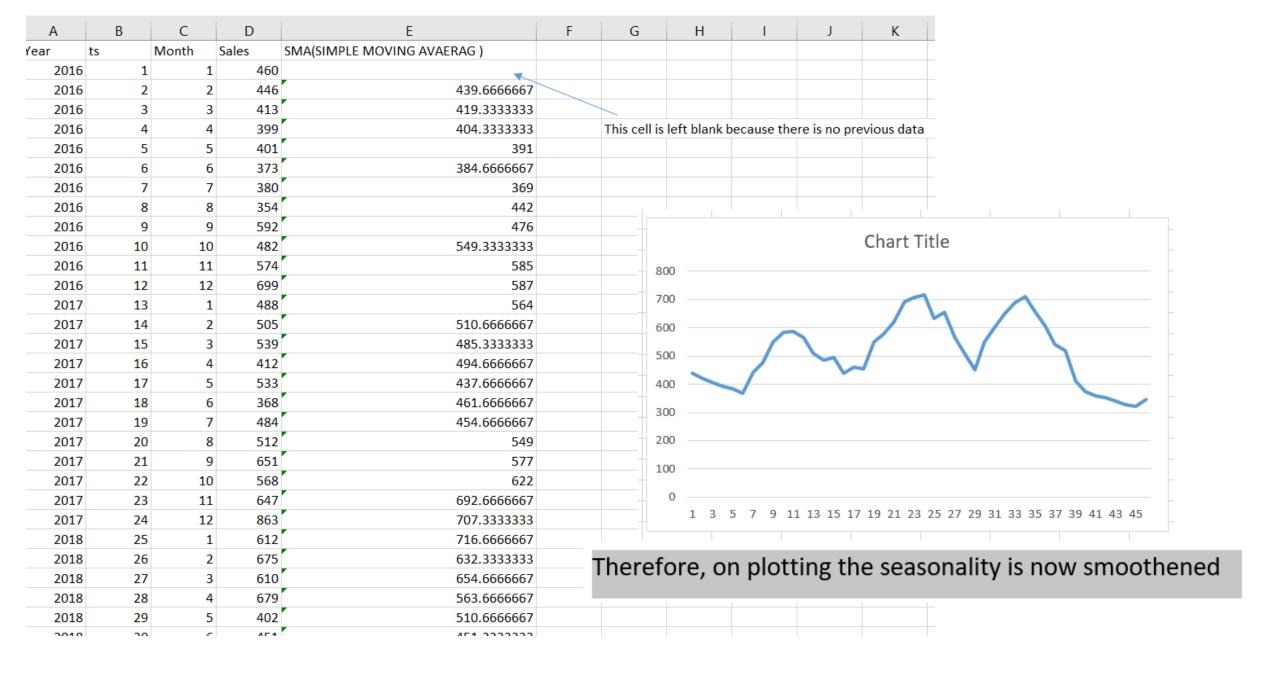
We can find the error part and do a regression analysis after removing the trend and seasonality components from time series component or x variable

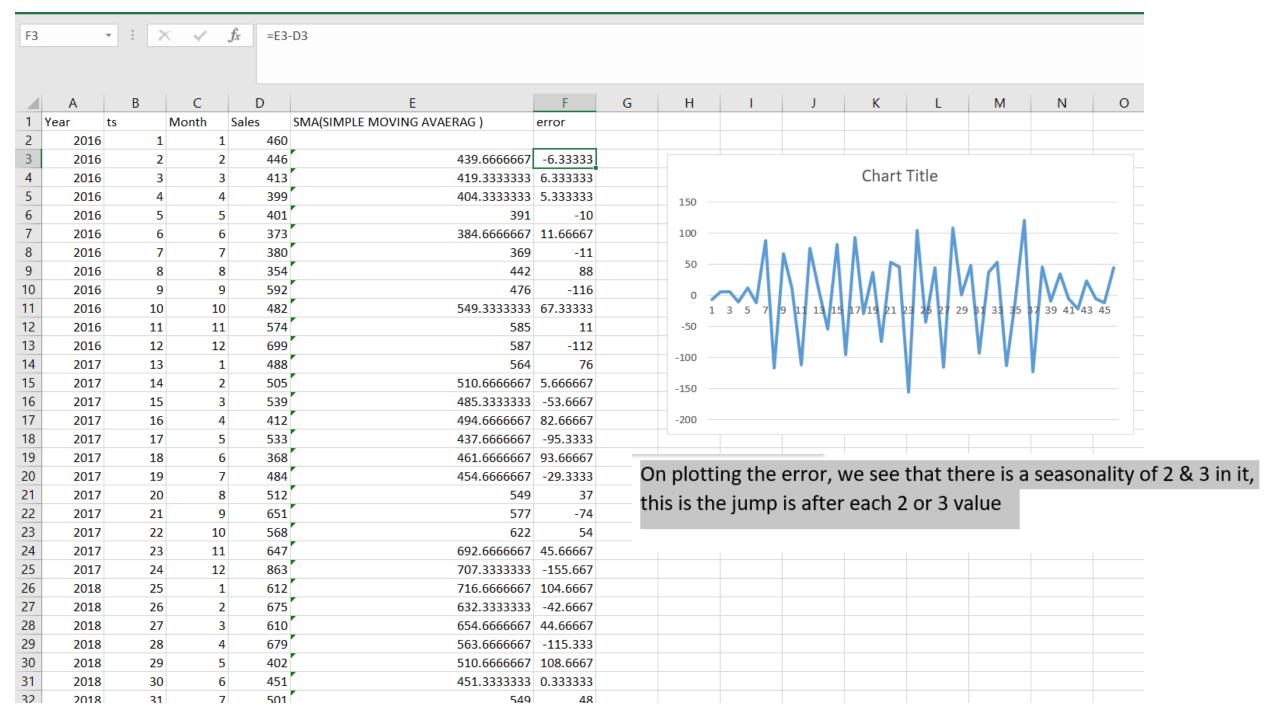
So let's use the moving average for smoothening the seasonality change





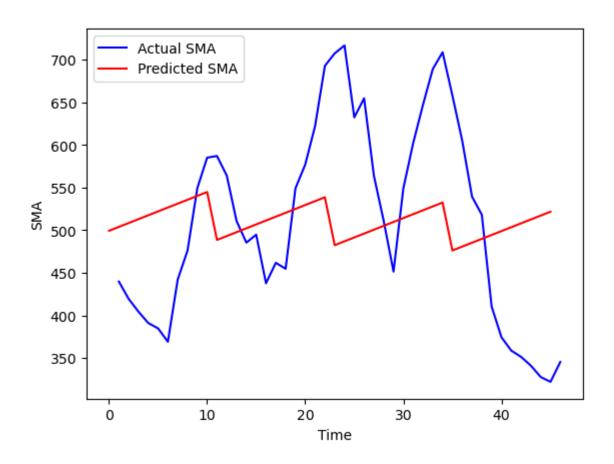
Hence we can do odd smoothing with seasonality 3 or quarterly with 3 period moving average





We can also find the error by fitting a linear regression model and do the prediction

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
# Read the dataset
df=pd.read csv("D:\\data ANALYTICS AND SCIENCE\\NPTEL- MARKETING Analytics\\sales error.csv")
# Remove rows with missing values
df 1 = df.dropna()
# Convert month to factor
df_1['Month'] = df_1['Month'].astype('category')
# Fit the linear regression model
model = LinearRegression()
model.fit(df_1[['ts', 'Month']], df_1['SMA'])
# Predict values based on the model
predicted = model.predict(df 1[['ts', 'Month']])
# Calculate the errors
errors = df 1['SMA']- predicted
# Calculate RMSE
                                                                     # Calculate RMSE
rmse = np.sqrt(mean squared error(df 1['SMA'], predicted))
                                                                      rmse = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(df_1['SMA'], predicted))
rmse
                                                                      rmse
# Plot line graph
                                                                     114.42655729979907
plt.plot(df_1['SMA'], color='blue', label='Actual SMA')
plt.plot(predicted, color='red', label='Predicted SMA')
plt.xlabel('Time')
plt.ylabel('SMA')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



An RMSE of 114.4266 suggests that, on average, the predicted SMA values differ from the actual SMA values by approximately 114.4266 units.

THIS MODEL IS NOT PREDICTING WELL SO WE CAN USE OTHER MODEL

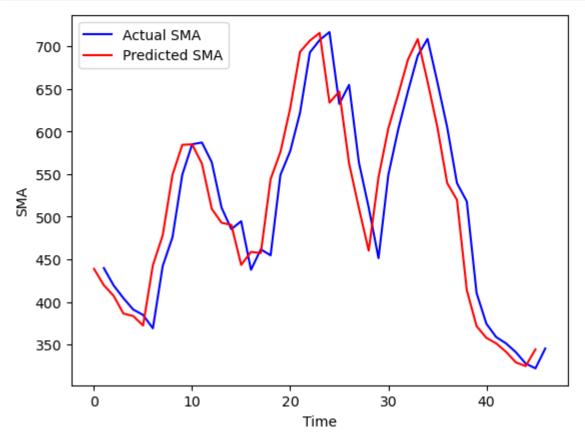
GRADEINT BOOSTING

```
: from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
 # Read the dataset
  df = pd.read csv("D:\\data ANALYTICS AND SCIENCE\\NPTEL- MARKETING Analytics\\sales error.csv")
  # Remove rows with missing values
  df 1 = df.dropna()
  # Convert month to factor in a new DataFrame
  df 2 = df 1.copy()
  df_2['Month'] = df_2['Month'].astype('category')
  # Fit the Gradient Boosting model
  model = GradientBoostingRegressor()
  model.fit(df_2[['ts', 'Month']], df_2['SMA'])
 # Predict values based on the model
  predicted = model.predict(df 2[['ts', 'Month']])
 # Calculate the errors
  errors = df 2['SMA'] - predicted
 # Calculate RMSE
  rmse = np.sqrt(mean squared error(df 2['SMA'], predicted))
  rmse
```

: 3.1807005323769713

gradient boost has hugely reduced the error

```
# Plot line graph
plt.plot(df_2['SMA'], color='blue', label='Actual SMA')
plt.plot(predicted, color='red', label='Predicted SMA')
plt.xlabel('Time')
plt.ylabel('SMA')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



So the GRADIENT BOOST has decreased the moving average error

Forecasting next year's 1st quarter sales

```
pred=pd.read_csv("D:\\data ANALYTICS AND SCIENCE\\NPTEL- MARKETING Analytics\\next 4 month prediction.csv")
pred
```

| | Year | ts | Month |
|---|------|----|-------|
| 0 | 2020 | 49 | 1 |
| 1 | 2020 | 50 | 2 |
| 2 | 2020 | 51 | 3 |
| 3 | 2020 | 52 | 4 |

Utilizing the trained Gradient Boosting model to predict future values of the target variable (SMA) based on the input features (ts and Month). This can help to estimate the expected values for the upcoming time periods.

```
# Convert month to factor in the "pred" dataframe
pred['Month'] = pred['Month'].astype('category')

# Make predictions using the trained model
predicted_pred = model.predict(pred[['ts', 'Month']])

# Add the predicted values to the "pred" dataframe
pred['Predicted_SMA'] = predicted_pred

# Print the "pred" dataframe with predicted values
print(pred)
```

```
Year ts Month Predicted_SMA
0 2020 49 1 417.548106
1 2020 50 2 383.685415
2 2020 51 3 385.415404
3 2020 52 4 381.031363
```