

IT-Based Management Summary

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Forecasting and Probabilistic Budgeting: Sales Volume Context (Learning with Case Studies)

Use Case

It is about Candle Manufacturing Inc. company, which produce three different candles like molded candles, solid candles and pulled candles. The company needs to setup the annual sales budget for the next year. To accomplish this, the traditional *time series-based forecasting* methods are applied and two new approaches has been introduced:

multinomial regression-based

stochastic process-based forecasting of time series

To answer question about sales volumes that can expected for next year, the R software package are used as we can

- perform a traditional time series analysis and use the model for **time series-based forecasting** for the next year
- use timely intervals and perform a **regression-based forecasting**
- read monthly sales from transactional data
- perform a **stochastic process-based forecasting**
- derive year-end forecast in fixed-event form
- budget-forecast deviation with p-value to perform adjustments

Problem Statement

As there is uncertainty in business environment, the future prediction of sales volumes is also uncertain and time series-based approach forecast data with the help of historical data. It is not clear which time-based approach should be used in R to produce unbiased data. The two new approaches that are mentioned above allow additional forecast updating which are not possible in time series-based approaches. Updating feature is very important in the fixed-event forecasting¹ context as fixed time period is considered over time leading to a successively reducing of the lead time.

Contribution

Traditional time series analysis covers the range between decomposition approaches, where non-stationary trends and seasonalities are included, and stationary ARIMA approaches. By introducing new modeling techniques in form of the multinomial regression-based and the stochastic processbased forecasting methods the time series modeling repertoire can be extended in an effective and easy to grasp way.

¹ In the management control the fixed-event forecasts are the year-end forecasts

Result

Multinomial regression-based and stochastic processbased forecasting are mathematically defined and statistically calibrated.

Research Methodology

The new artifacts are mathematically modeled and their applications are demonstrated in numerical examples.

Research literature

Hyndman Rob/Athanasopoulos George: Forecasting Principles and Practice

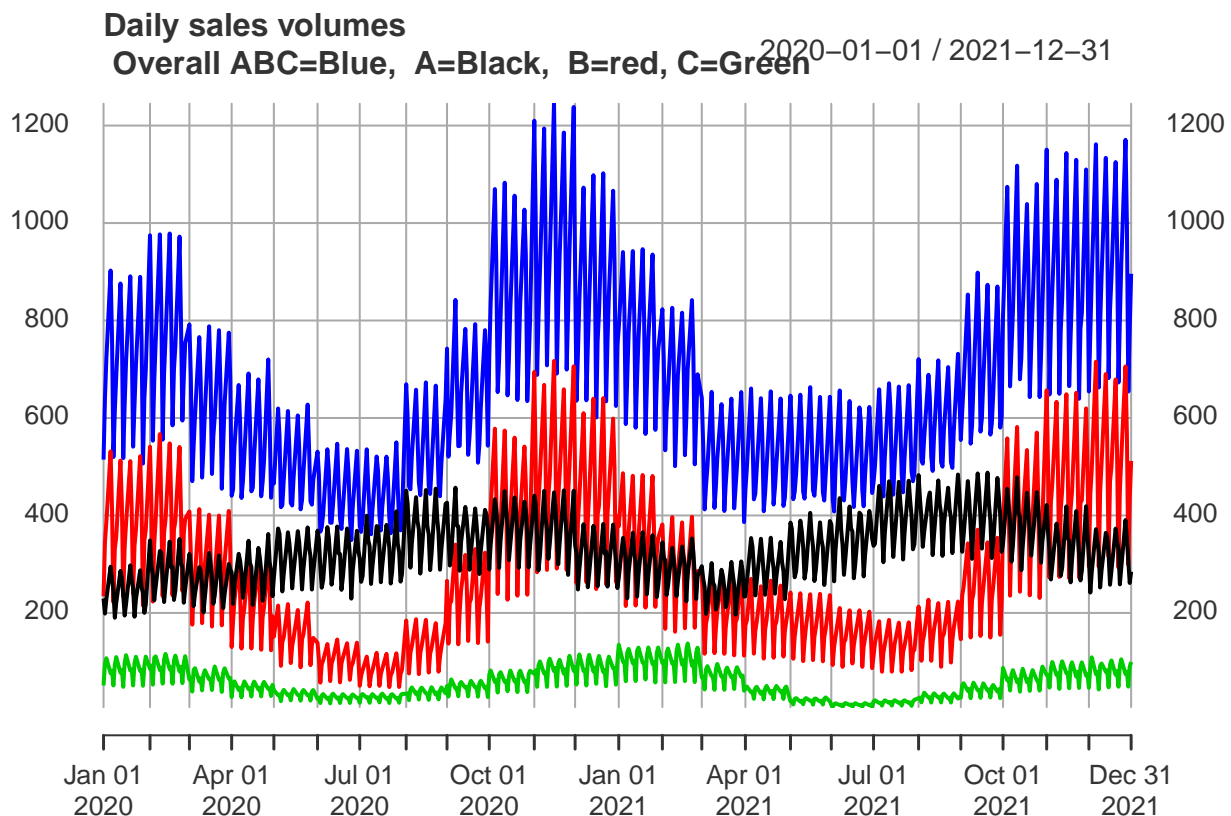
Lawrence Michael/O'Connor Marcus: Sales forecasting updates: how good are they in practice?

Implementation

Task 1

Importing and analyzing daily sales data and plotting of xSD01.xts

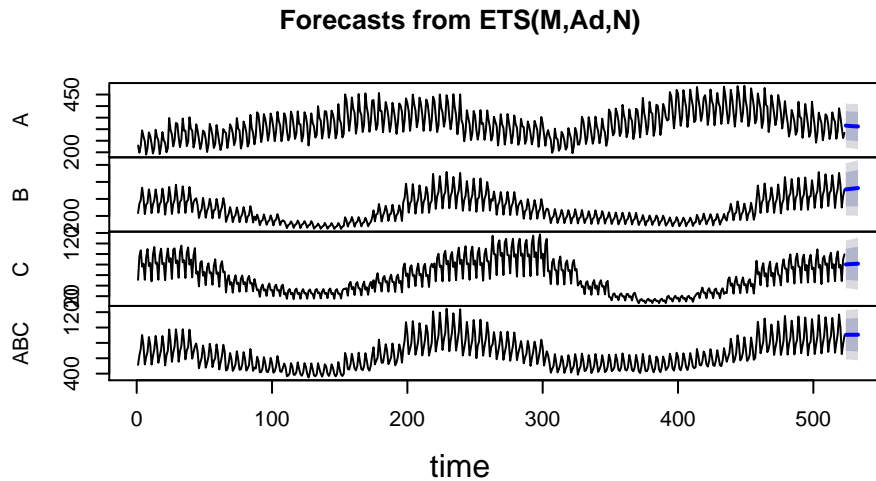
```
library(xts)
## Warning: package 'xts' was built under R version 3.4.4
## Loading required package: zoo
## Warning: package 'zoo' was built under R version 3.4.4
##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   as.Date, as.Date.numeric
xSD01.xts<-readRDS("DataCMI")
str(xSD01.xts)
## Warning in format.POSIXlt(as.POSIXlt(x), ...): unknown timezone 'zone/tz/
## 2018g.1.0/zoneinfo/Europe/Vienna'
## An 'xts' object on 2020-01-01/2021-12-31 containing:
##   Data: num [1:523, 1:4] 230 199 228 295 269 ...
##   - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
##     ..$ : NULL
##     ..$ : chr [1:4] "A" "B" "C" "ABC"
##   Indexed by objects of class: [Date] TZ: UTC
##   xts Attributes:
##     NULL
plot(xSD01.xts, main="Daily sales volumes \n Overall ABC=Blue, A=Black, B=red, C=Green")
```



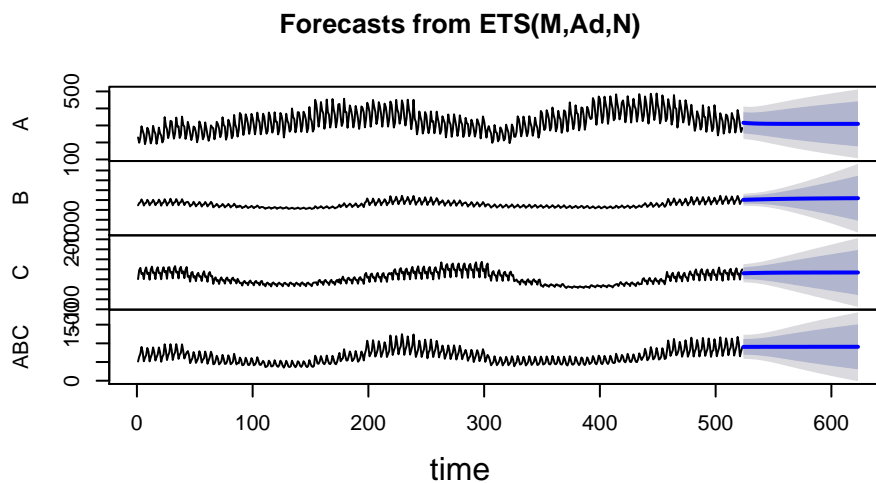
Task 2

Forecasting daily sales volumes by using automated procedures in forecasting packages

```
library(forecast)
## Warning: package 'forecast' was built under R version 3.4.4
plot(forecast(as.ts(xSD01.xts)))
```



```
plot(forecast(as.ts(xSD01.xts),100))
```



```
xSD01.fc<-forecast(as.ts(xSD01.xts),100)
attributes(xSD01.fc)
## $names
## [1] "forecast" "method"
##
## $class
## [1] "mforecast"
```

```
xSD01.fc$method
```

```
##           A           B           C           ABC
## "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)"
```

```
xSD01.fc$method
```

```
##           A           B           C           ABC
```

```
## "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)" "ETS(M,Ad,N)"
```

Interpretation: Planning horizon (plan period) of 100 days already shows exploding uncertainties of ABC, B and C

Task 3

Including additional (predictable) variables into the TS data set

```
xSD01Ext.xts<-NULL # Extracting date information from xts-object
xSD01Ext.xts<-xSD01.xts
xSD01Ext.xts$Year<-as.factor(format(index(xSD01.xts),"%Y"))
xSD01Ext.xts$Quarter<-as.factor(quarters(index(xSD01.xts)))
xSD01Ext.xts$Month<-format(index(xSD01.xts),"%m")
xSD01Ext.xts$wDay<-format(index(xSD01.xts),"%u")
```

Task 4

Performing numeric regressions Numeric regression: Regressing daily sales volumes against numeric variables

```
xSD01ABC.svlm <- NULL # Single variable linear model (svlm)
xSD01ABC.svlm <- lm(ABC~wDay,xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC.svlm)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ wDay, data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -285.28 -138.50  -41.32   126.29   492.94
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   802.001     18.156   44.172  <2e-16 ***
## wDay          -50.055      5.466   -9.157  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 176.7 on 521 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1386, Adjusted R-squared:  0.137
## F-statistic: 83.85 on 1 and 521 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Task 5

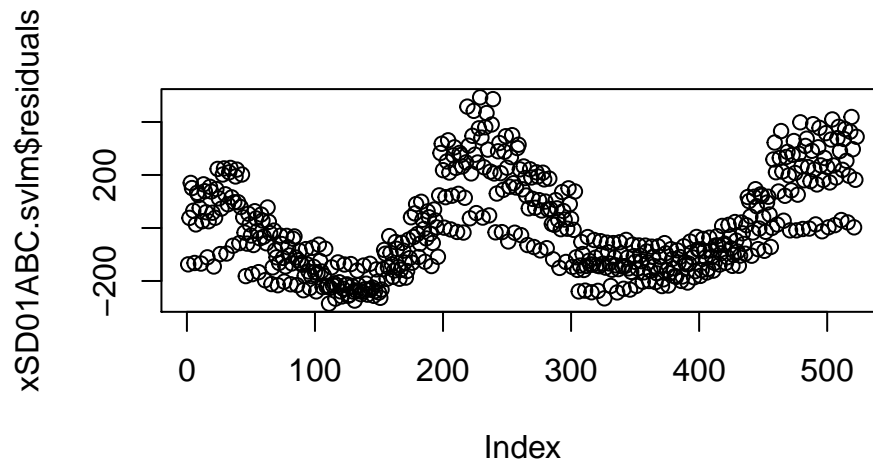
Performing multinomial regressions Multinomial (factor) regression: Regressing daily sales volumes against categorical variables

```
xSD01ABC.sflm <- NULL # Single factor linear model (sflm)
xSD01ABC.sflm <- lm(ABC~as.factor(wDay),xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC.sflm)

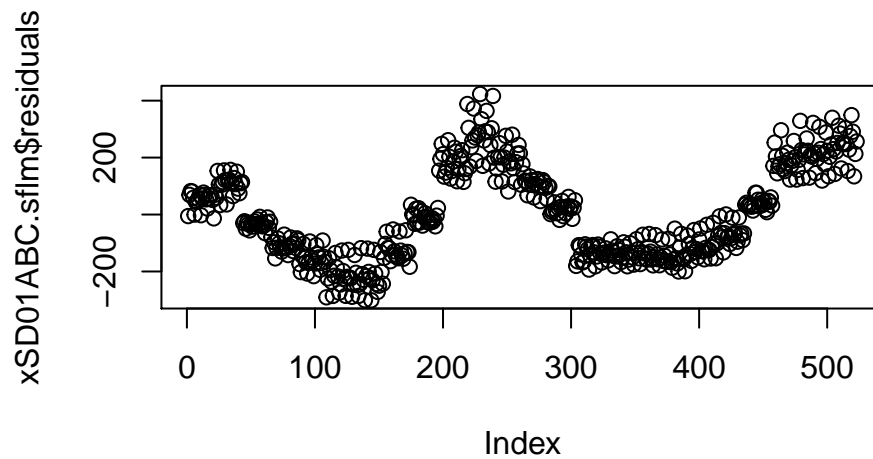
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ as.factor(wDay), data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -301.14 -133.00  -25.36   122.85   423.19
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      821.70      15.55  52.844 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(wDay)2  -113.65      21.99  -5.168 3.38e-07 ***
## as.factor(wDay)3  -301.69      21.94 -13.752 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(wDay)4  -250.92      21.94 -11.438 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(wDay)5  -182.33      21.94  -8.311 8.38e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 158.6 on 518 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3103, Adjusted R-squared:  0.305
## F-statistic: 58.26 on 4 and 518 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
attributes(xSD01ABC.sflm)

## $names
##  [1] "coefficients" "residuals"      "effects"      "rank"
##  [5] "fitted.values" "assign"         "qr"          "df.residual"
##  [9] "contrasts"    "xlevels"       "call"        "terms"
## [13] "model"
##
## $class
## [1] "lm"

plot(xSD01ABC.svlm$residuals) # Plotting svlm & sflm residuals
```



```
plot(xSD01ABC.sflm$residuals)
```



Task 6

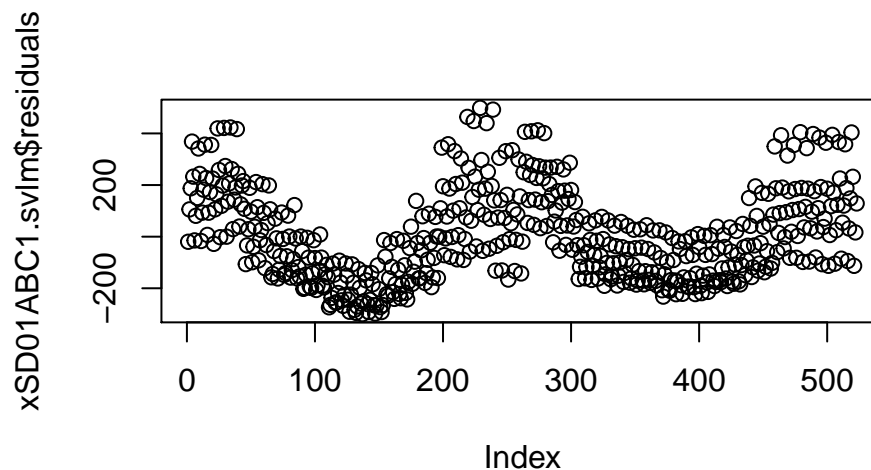
Performing numeric and factor regressions

```
xSD01ABC1.svlm <- NULL # Single linear regression
xSD01ABC1.svlm <- lm(ABC~Month,xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC1.svlm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ Month, data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -300.0  -142.9   -24.6   110.2   498.9
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   513.185     16.444   31.208 <2e-16 ***
## Month          21.165       2.224    9.517 <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

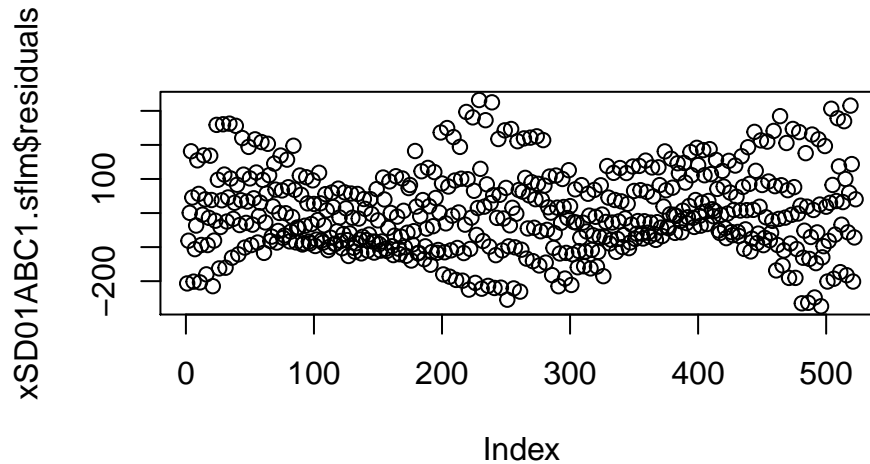
```
## Residual standard error: 175.7 on 521 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1481, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1465
## F-statistic: 90.58 on 1 and 521 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

xSD01ABC1.sflm <- NULL # Single linear factor regression
xSD01ABC1.sflm <- lm(ABC~as.factor(Month),xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC1.sflm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ as.factor(Month), data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -273.72  -85.22  -13.50   76.41  331.76
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      721.192     18.075   39.900 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(Month)2      -5.186     26.193   -0.198  0.8431
## as.factor(Month)3    -149.497     25.420  -5.881 7.37e-09 ***
## as.factor(Month)4    -198.680     25.562  -7.772 4.26e-14 ***
## as.factor(Month)5    -211.938     25.865  -8.194 2.04e-15 ***
## as.factor(Month)6    -245.721     25.562  -9.613 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(Month)7    -241.487     25.420  -9.500 < 2e-16 ***
## as.factor(Month)8    -156.229     25.710  -6.077 2.40e-09 ***
## as.factor(Month)9     -61.173     25.562  -2.393  0.0171 *
## as.factor(Month)10    112.040     25.710   4.358 1.59e-05 ***
## as.factor(Month)11    191.931     25.710   7.465 3.61e-13 ***
## as.factor(Month)12    134.171     25.283   5.307 1.67e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 119.9 on 511 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6111, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6027
## F-statistic: 72.98 on 11 and 511 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

plot(xSD01ABC1.svlm$residuals)
```




```
plot(xSD01ABC1.sflm$residuals)
```



Task 7

Performing multi-factor regressions

```
xSD01ABC.mflm <- NULL # Multi-factor linear regression
xSD01ABC.mflm <- lm(ABC~as.factor(wDay)+as.factor(Month)+as.factor(Year),xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC.mflm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ as.factor(wDay) + as.factor(Month) + as.factor(Year),
##     data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
```

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-138.042	-34.790	1.196	34.452	175.543

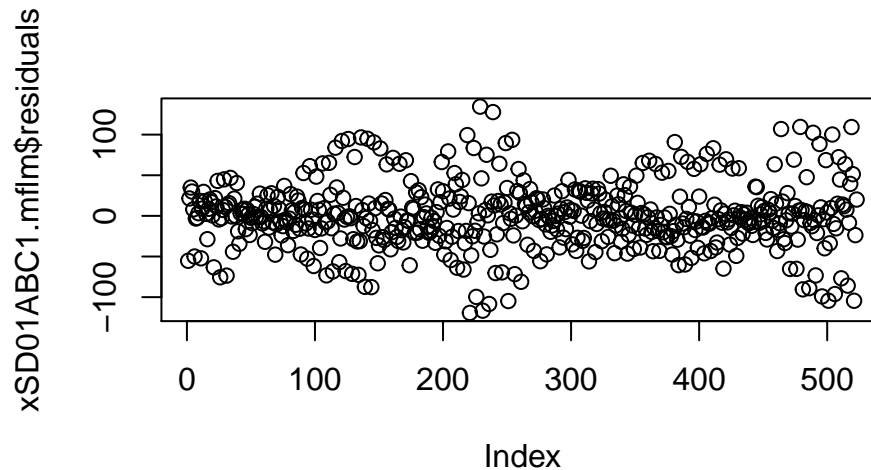
```
##
## Coefficients:
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	892.622	9.462	94.340	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(wDay)2	-114.006	7.277	-15.668	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(wDay)3	-303.215	7.265	-41.736	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(wDay)4	-253.873	7.268	-34.929	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(wDay)5	-185.467	7.268	-25.520	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)2	-10.961	11.462	-0.956	0.339
as.factor(Month)3	-162.627	11.130	-14.612	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)4	-197.383	11.185	-17.647	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)5	-221.454	11.318	-19.566	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)6	-254.996	11.190	-22.788	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)7	-239.907	11.122	-21.571	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)8	-171.436	11.256	-15.231	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)9	-60.378	11.187	-5.397	1.04e-07 ***
as.factor(Month)10	108.975	11.249	9.688	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)11	176.724	11.256	15.700	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Month)12	136.782	11.063	12.363	< 2e-16 ***
as.factor(Year)2	11.316	4.588	2.466	0.014 *

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 52.45 on 506 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9263, Adjusted R-squared:  0.924
## F-statistic: 397.4 on 16 and 506 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
plot(xSD01ABC1.mflm$residuals)
```



Task 8

Performing multi-factor regressions

```
xSD01ABC1.mflm <- NULL # Multi-factor multinomial linear regression
xSD01ABC1.mflm <- lm(ABC~as.factor(wDay)+as.factor(Month)*as.factor(Year),xSD01Ext.xts)
summary(xSD01ABC1.mflm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ as.factor(wDay) + as.factor(Month) * as.factor(Year),
##     data = xSD01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
```

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-119.347	-20.819	-1.485	18.326	134.400

```
##
## Coefficients:
```

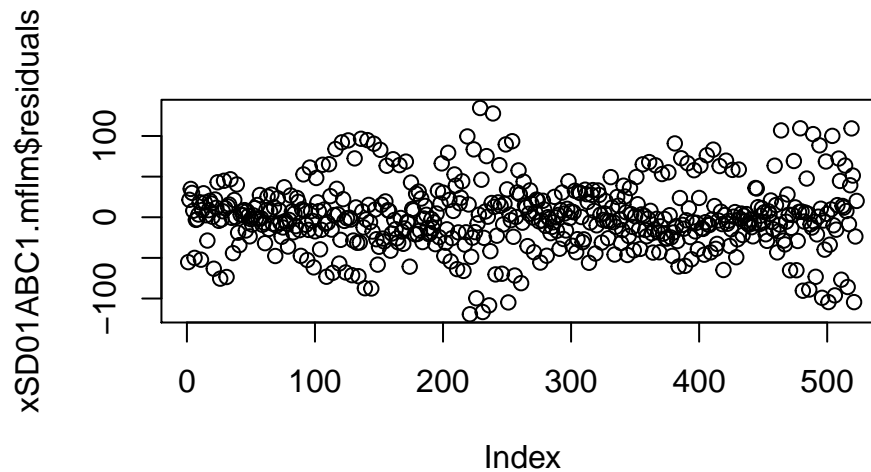
	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	872.6171	9.3329	93.499	< 2e-16
as.factor(wDay)2	-113.7233	5.6953	-19.968	< 2e-16
as.factor(wDay)3	-302.8158	5.6872	-53.245	< 2e-16
as.factor(wDay)4	-254.1467	5.6884	-44.678	< 2e-16
as.factor(wDay)5	-185.7185	5.6885	-32.648	< 2e-16
as.factor(Month)2	59.2000	12.5497	4.717	3.11e-06
as.factor(Month)3	-83.1751	12.2457	-6.792	3.18e-11
as.factor(Month)4	-157.2783	12.2404	-12.849	< 2e-16
as.factor(Month)5	-205.6087	12.3890	-16.596	< 2e-16
as.factor(Month)6	-268.4976	12.2457	-21.926	< 2e-16
as.factor(Month)7	-264.3774	12.1026	-21.845	< 2e-16
as.factor(Month)8	-173.5622	12.3917	-14.006	< 2e-16

```

## as.factor(Month)9          -59.2804      12.2431    -4.842  1.72e-06
## as.factor(Month)10         130.8758      12.2404     10.692  < 2e-16
## as.factor(Month)11         237.8703      12.3917     19.196  < 2e-16
## as.factor(Month)12         135.9623      12.1052     11.232  < 2e-16
## as.factor(Year)2           53.1882       12.3890      4.293  2.12e-05
## as.factor(Month)2:as.factor(Year)2 -142.2478      17.9425     -7.928  1.49e-14
## as.factor(Month)3:as.factor(Year)2 -158.2801      17.4171     -9.088  < 2e-16
## as.factor(Month)4:as.factor(Year)2  -82.1110      17.5105     -4.689  3.55e-06
## as.factor(Month)5:as.factor(Year)2  -33.6024      17.7198     -1.896  0.05850
## as.factor(Month)6:as.factor(Year)2   25.0393      17.5143      1.430  0.15345
## as.factor(Month)7:as.factor(Year)2   49.0720      17.4149      2.818  0.00503
## as.factor(Month)8:as.factor(Year)2    1.3128      17.6145      0.075  0.94062
## as.factor(Month)9:as.factor(Year)2   -4.1531      17.5143     -0.237  0.81265
## as.factor(Month)10:as.factor(Year)2 -45.7773      17.6140     -2.599  0.00963
## as.factor(Month)11:as.factor(Year)2 -122.3568      17.6145     -6.946  1.18e-11
## as.factor(Month)12:as.factor(Year)2  -0.2899      17.3210     -0.017  0.98665
##
## (Intercept)                ***
## as.factor(wDay)2            ***
## as.factor(wDay)3            ***
## as.factor(wDay)4            ***
## as.factor(wDay)5            ***
## as.factor(Month)2           ***
## as.factor(Month)3           ***
## as.factor(Month)4           ***
## as.factor(Month)5           ***
## as.factor(Month)6           ***
## as.factor(Month)7           ***
## as.factor(Month)8           ***
## as.factor(Month)9           ***
## as.factor(Month)10          ***
## as.factor(Month)11          ***
## as.factor(Month)12          ***
## as.factor(Year)2            ***
## as.factor(Month)2:as.factor(Year)2 ***
## as.factor(Month)3:as.factor(Year)2 ***
## as.factor(Month)4:as.factor(Year)2 ***
## as.factor(Month)5:as.factor(Year)2 .
## as.factor(Month)6:as.factor(Year)2
## as.factor(Month)7:as.factor(Year)2 **
## as.factor(Month)8:as.factor(Year)2
## as.factor(Month)9:as.factor(Year)2
## as.factor(Month)10:as.factor(Year)2 **
## as.factor(Month)11:as.factor(Year)2 ***
## as.factor(Month)12:as.factor(Year)2
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 41.04 on 495 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9559, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9534
## F-statistic: 396.9 on 27 and 495 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

plot(xSD01ABC1.mflm$residuals)

```



Task 9

Multinomial regression-based forecasting the daily sales volumes for the next year

```
PlanPeriod.xts<-NULL # Generating an indexed xts-object
PlanPeriod.xts<-as.xts(seq(as.Date("2022-01-01"),
as.Date("2022-12-31"),by='day'))
PlanPeriod.xts$Year<-c(2)
PlanPeriod.xts$Month<-as.factor(format(index(PlanPeriod.xts),"%m"))
PlanPeriod.xts$wDay<-as.factor(format(index(PlanPeriod.xts),"%u"))
PP.xts<-NULL
PP.xts<-subset(PlanPeriod.xts,! (PlanPeriod.xts$wDay %in% c(6,7)))
```

Task 10

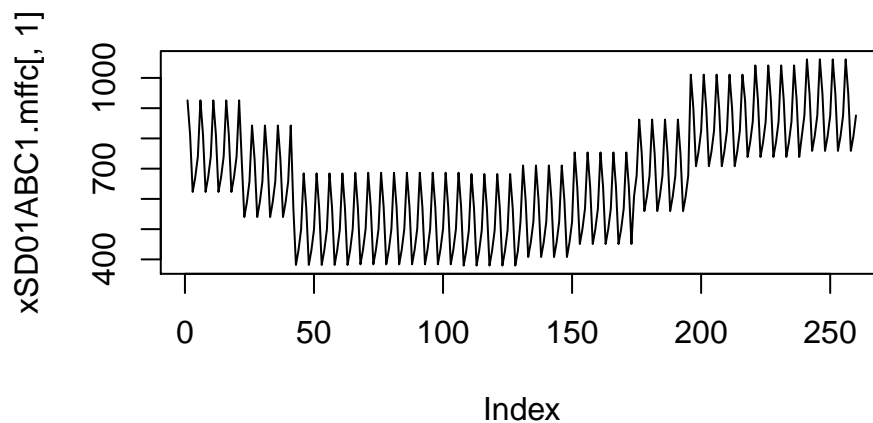
Multi-factor regression-based forecasting

```
xSD01ABC1.mffc<-NULL # Generating predictions
xSD01ABC1.mffc<-predict(xSD01ABC1.mflm,PP.xts,interval = "confidence")
head(xSD01ABC1.mffc)
##           fit      lwr      upr
## 2022-01-03 925.8052 906.8035 944.8070
## 2022-01-04 812.0819 793.0813 831.0825
## 2022-01-05 622.9894 603.9994 641.9794
## 2022-01-06 671.6585 652.6684 690.6486
## 2022-01-07 740.0867 721.2516 758.9218
## 2022-01-10 925.8052 906.8035 944.8070
xSD01ABC1.mffc[1,1]
## [1] 925.8052
xSD01ABC1.mffc[1,2] # lower (lwr) bound
## [1] 906.8035
xSD01ABC1.mffc[1,3] # upper (upr) bound
## [1] 944.807
sum(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1]) # Sum of sales forecasts
## [1] 170750.5
apply.quarterly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1],FUN = sum)# Quarterly forecasts
##           x
```

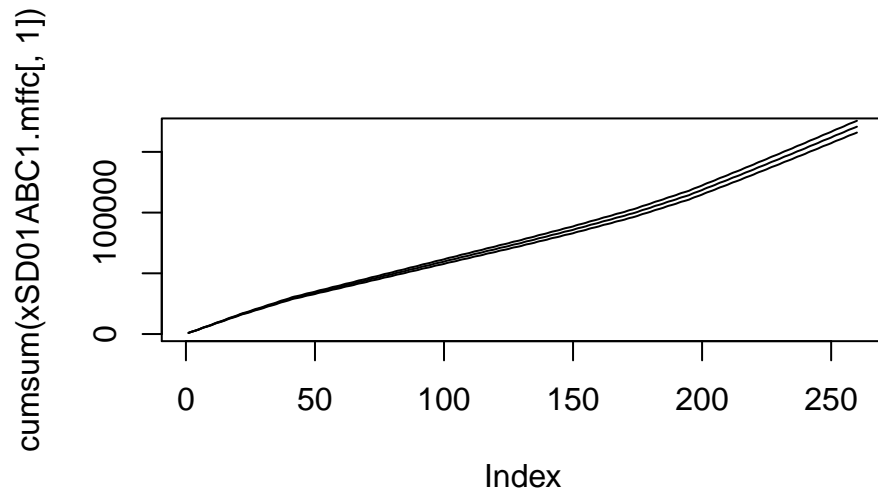
```
## 2022-03-31 41089.57
## 2022-06-30 33398.18
## 2022-09-30 39905.48
## 2022-12-30 56357.24
  apply.monthly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1],FUN = sum) # Monthly forecasts
##           x
## 2022-01-31 16016.29
## 2022-02-28 13429.53
## 2022-03-31 11643.75
## 2022-04-29 10803.40
## 2022-05-31 11565.73
## 2022-06-30 11029.05
## 2022-07-29 11309.16
## 2022-08-31 13489.63
## 2022-09-30 15106.69
## 2022-10-31 17803.36
## 2022-11-30 19066.86
## 2022-12-30 19487.02
```

Historical calibration problem: 1-year sales forecast of 170750.5 is due to the historical calibration similar to last years??? sales volumes

```
plot(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1],type="l") # Plotting predictions
```

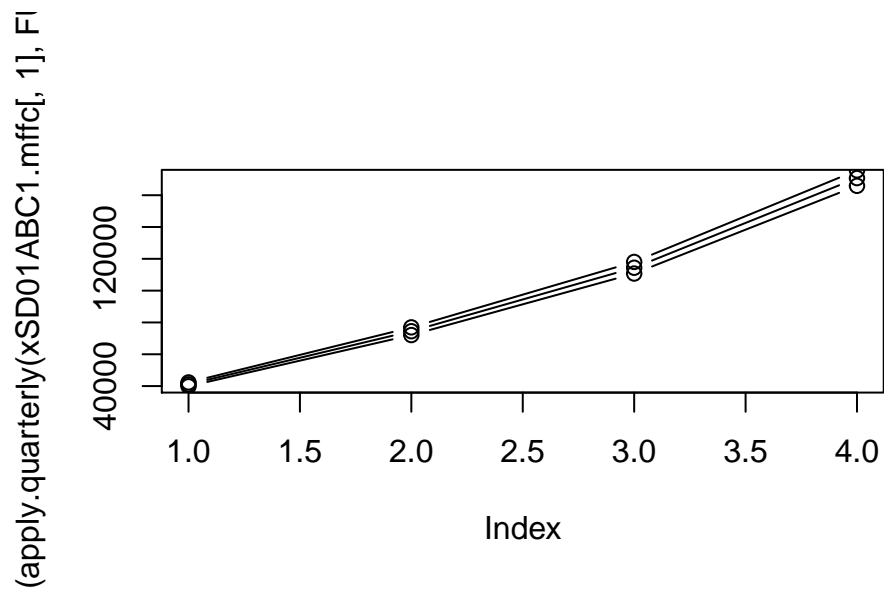


```
plot(cumsum(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1]),type="l")
lines(cumsum(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,2]))
lines(cumsum(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,3]))
```

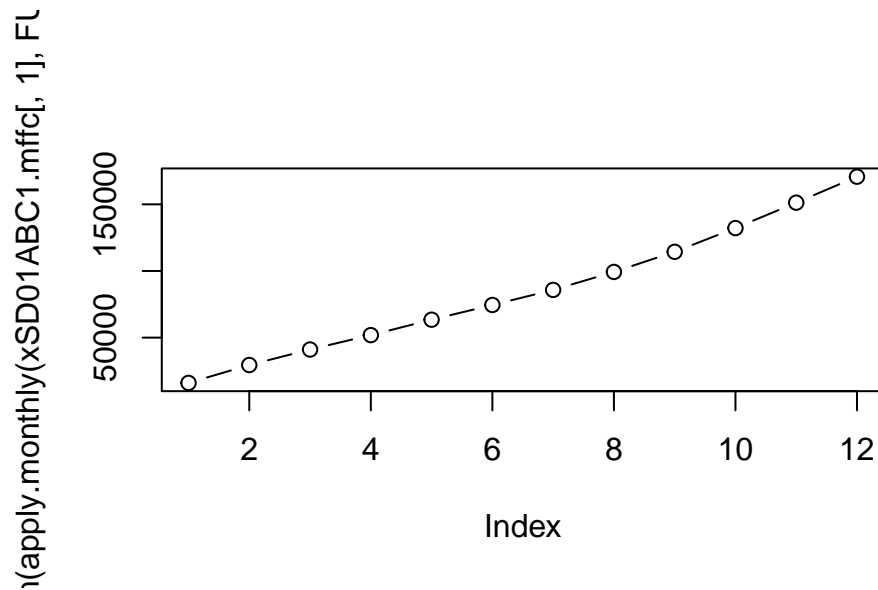


Plotting quarterly and monthly predictions:

```
plot(cumsum(apply.quarterly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1],FUN = sum)),type="b") #Q
lines(cumsum(apply.quarterly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,2],FUN = sum)),type="b")
lines(cumsum(apply.quarterly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,3],FUN = sum)),type="b")
```



```
plot(cumsum(apply.monthly(xSD01ABC1.mffc[,1],FUN = sum)),type="b") #M
```

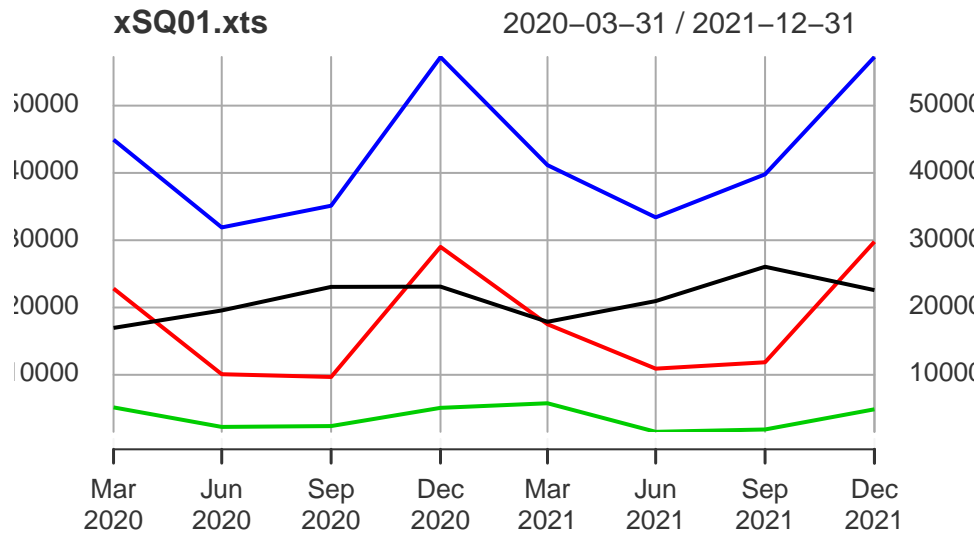


Task 11

Quarterly xts-time series xSQ01.xts: Generating lower frequency data (e.g. quarterly sales volumes) via aggregating daily data by using the `apply.quarterly()` function

```
xSQ01.xts<-apply.quarterly(xSD01.xts$A,sum) # Quarterly sales volumes
xSQ01.xts<-cbind(xSQ01.xts,apply.quarterly(xSD01.xts$B,sum),
  apply.quarterly(xSD01.xts$C,sum),apply.quarterly(xSD01.xts$ABC,sum))
xSQ01.xts
##           A      B      C    ABC
## 2020-03-31 16968 22818 5155 44941
## 2020-06-30 19560 10087 2255 31902
## 2020-09-30 23066  9679 2382 35127
## 2020-12-31 23104 29013 5090 57207
## 2021-03-31 17876 17512 5770 41158
## 2021-06-30 20957 10915 1526 33398
## 2021-09-30 26057 11862 1875 39794
## 2021-12-31 22581 29779 4873 57233
  apply.yearly(xSD01.xts$ABC,sum)
##           ABC
## 2020-12-31 169177
## 2021-12-31 171583

plot(xSQ01.xts)
```



Task 12

Regressing the quarterly sales volumes (analogously to the daily sales volumes) w.r.t. predictable calendar information (e.g. quarters) in form of categorical variables

```
xSQ01Ext.xts<-NULL # Extending the quarterly data base
xSQ01Ext.xts<-xSQ01.xts
xSQ01Ext.xts$Quarter<-as.factor(quarters(index(xSQ01.xts)))
xSQ01Ext.xts
```

##		A	B	C	ABC	Quarter
##	2020-03-31	16968	22818	5155	44941	1
##	2020-06-30	19560	10087	2255	31902	2
##	2020-09-30	23066	9679	2382	35127	3
##	2020-12-31	23104	29013	5090	57207	4
##	2021-03-31	17876	17512	5770	41158	1
##	2021-06-30	20957	10915	1526	33398	2
##	2021-09-30	26057	11862	1875	39794	3
##	2021-12-31	22581	29779	4873	57233	4

```
xSQ01ABC.sflm <- NULL # Single-factor linear regression
xSQ01ABC.sflm <- lm(ABC~as.factor(Quarter),xSQ01Ext.xts)
summary(xSQ01ABC.sflm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ as.factor(Quarter), data = xSQ01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
```

##	2020-03-31	2020-06-30	2020-09-30	2020-12-31	2021-03-31	2021-06-30
##	1892	-748	-2334	-13	-1892	748

```
## 2021-09-30 2021-12-31
## 2334 13
##
## Coefficients:
```

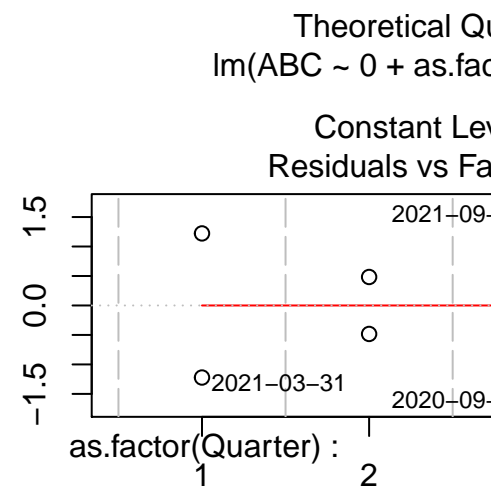
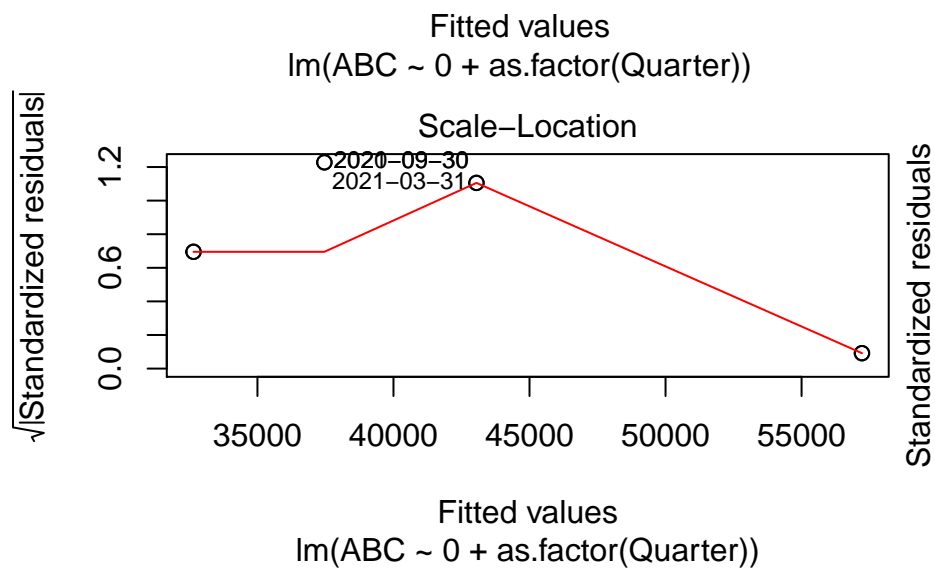
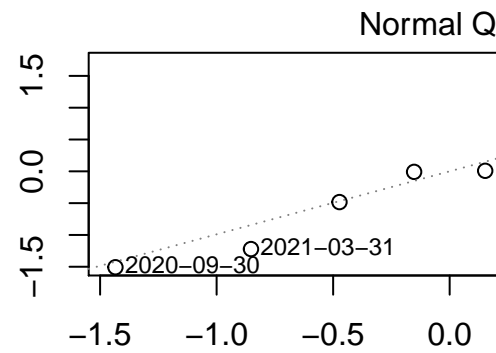
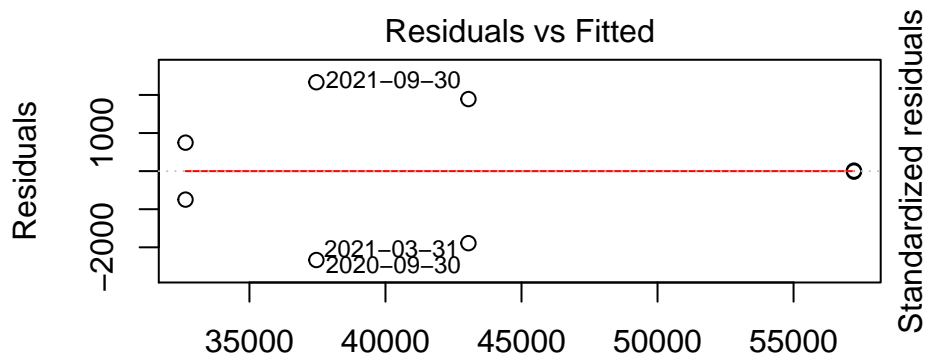
##		Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
##	(Intercept)	43050	1548	27.813	9.94e-06 ***
##	as.factor(Quarter)2	-10400	2189	-4.751	0.00896 **
##	as.factor(Quarter)3	-5589	2189	-2.553	0.06308 .


```
## as.factor(Quarter)4      14170      2189   6.474  0.00293 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2189 on 4 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9725, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9519
## F-statistic: 47.22 on 3 and 4 DF,  p-value: 0.001401
```

Task 13

Regressing quarterly sales data without (w/o) intercept term

```
xSQ01ABC1.sflm <- NULL # Single factor linear model
xSQ01ABC1.sflm <- lm(ABC~0+as.factor(Quarter),xSQ01Ext.xts)
summary(xSQ01ABC1.sflm)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ABC ~ 0 + as.factor(Quarter), data = xSQ01Ext.xts)
##
## Residuals:
## 2020-03-31 2020-06-30 2020-09-30 2020-12-31 2021-03-31 2021-06-30
##      1892      -748     -2334        -13     -1892        748
## 2021-09-30 2021-12-31
##      2334         13
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## as.factor(Quarter)1    43050      1548   27.81 9.94e-06 ***
## as.factor(Quarter)2    32650      1548   21.09 2.99e-05 ***
## as.factor(Quarter)3    37460      1548   24.20 1.73e-05 ***
## as.factor(Quarter)4    57220      1548   36.97 3.20e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2189 on 4 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9987, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9975
## F-statistic: 792.8 on 4 and 4 DF,  p-value: 4.758e-06
attributes(xSQ01ABC1.sflm)
## $names
## [1] "coefficients" "residuals"      "effects"        "rank"
## [5] "fitted.values" "assign"          "qr"             "df.residual"
## [9] "contrasts"     "xlevels"        "call"           "terms"
## [13] "model"
##
## $class
## [1] "lm"
sum(xSQ01ABC1.sflm$coefficients)
## [1] 170380
plot(xSQ01ABC1.sflm)
```



```
xSQ01ABC1.sflm$model
##      ABC as.factor(Quarter)
## 2020-03-31 44941           1
## 2020-06-30 31902           2
## 2020-09-30 35127           3
## 2020-12-31 57207           4
## 2021-03-31 41158           1
## 2021-06-30 33398           2
## 2021-09-30 39794           3
## 2021-12-31 57233           4
model.matrix(xSQ01ABC1.sflm)
##      as.factor(Quarter)1 as.factor(Quarter)2 as.factor(Quarter)3
## 2020-03-31             1             0             0
## 2020-06-30             0             1             0
## 2020-09-30             0             0             1
## 2020-12-31             0             0             0
## 2021-03-31             1             0             0
## 2021-06-30             0             1             0
## 2021-09-30             0             0             1
## 2021-12-31             0             0             0
##      as.factor(Quarter)4
## 2020-03-31             0
## 2020-06-30             0
```

```
## 2020-09-30      0
## 2020-12-31      1
## 2021-03-31      0
## 2021-06-30      0
## 2021-09-30      0
## 2021-12-31      1
## attr("assign")
## [1] 1 1 1 1
## attr("contrasts")
## attr("contrasts")$`as.factor(Quarter)`
## [1] "contr.treatment"
```

Task 14

Modeling quarterly sales volumes as Gaussian stochastic processes which are completely specified by the mean vector and the volatility vector in the case of independently distributed sales volumes in the different quarters

```
# Defining and filling of two matrices and an array
xSQ01ABC_BLY.m<-matrix(coredata(xSQ01.xts[1:4,4]),1,4,byrow=T)
dimnames(xSQ01ABC_BLY.m)<-list(c("ABC"),c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"))
xSQ01ABC_LY.m<-matrix(coredata(xSQ01.xts[5:8,4]),1,4,byrow=T)
dimnames(xSQ01ABC_LY.m)<-list(c("ABC"),c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"))
xSQ01ABC.a<-array(c(xSQ01ABC_LY.m,xSQ01ABC_BLY.m),dim=c(1,4,2))
dimnames(xSQ01ABC.a)<-list(c("ABC"),c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"),c("LY","BLY"))
t(xSQ01ABC.a[1,,])
##      Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## LY  41158 33398 39794 57233
## BLY 44941 31902 35127 57207

# Calibrating the mean vector (location parameters)
E_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4)
for(j in 1:4) E_xSQ01ABC.m[1,j]<-mean(xSQ01ABC.a[1,j,])
dimnames(E_xSQ01ABC.m)<-list(c("ABC"),c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"))
E_xSQ01ABC.m
##      Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## ABC 43049.5 32650 37460.5 57220

# Calibrating the volatility vector (dispersion parameters)
V_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4)
for(j in 1:4) V_xSQ01ABC.m[1,j]<-sd(xSQ01ABC.a[1,j,])
dimnames(V_xSQ01ABC.m)<-list(c("ABC"),c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"))
V_xSQ01ABC.m
##      Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## ABC 2674.985 1057.832 3300.067 18.38478

CV_xSQ01ABC.m<-V_xSQ01ABC.m/E_xSQ01ABC.m # Coefficient of variation
CV_xSQ01ABC.m
##      Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## ABC 0.06213742 0.03239913 0.08809459 0.0003212998

CV_xSQ01ABC1.m<-CV_xSQ01ABC.m
```

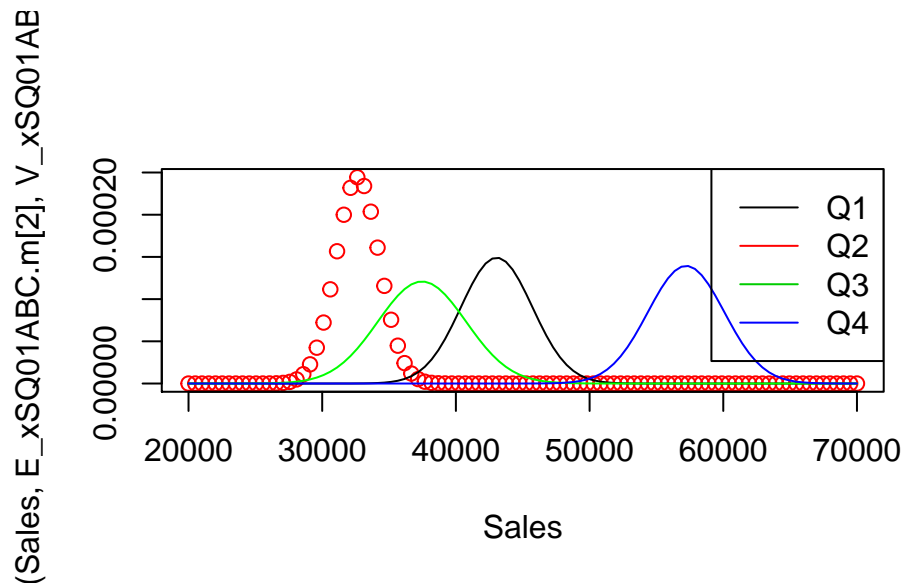
```

CV_xSQ01ABC1.m[CV_xSQ01ABC1.m<0.05]<-0.05 # Setting min. CV to 5 %
CV_xSQ01ABC1.m
##           Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## ABC 0.06213742 0.05 0.08809459 0.05

V_xSQ01ABC1.m<-V_xSQ01ABC.m
V_xSQ01ABC1.m<-CV_xSQ01ABC1.m*E_xSQ01ABC.m
V_xSQ01ABC1.m
##           Q1      Q2      Q3      Q4
## ABC 2674.985 1632.5 3300.067 2861

Sales<-seq(20000, 70000, length=100) # Normal density distributions
plot(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[2],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[2]),col="red")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[1],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[1]),col="black")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[3],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[3]),col="green")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[4],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[4]),col="blue")
legend("topright", legend=c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"),col=1:4,lty=1)

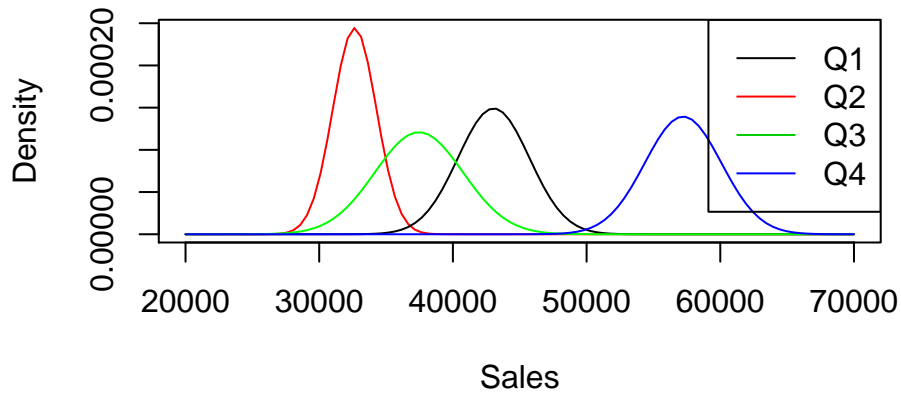
```



```

plot(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[2],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[2]), # Mean/Vola
col="red",type="l",ylab="Density")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[1],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[1]),col="black")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[3],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[3]),col="green")
lines(Sales,dnorm(Sales,E_xSQ01ABC.m[4],V_xSQ01ABC1.m[4]),col="blue")
legend("topright", legend=c("Q1","Q2","Q3","Q4"),col=1:4,lty=1)

```



Task 15

Probabilistic Budgeting: Stochastic process modeling allows calculating the density function of the annual sales volumes (probabilistic budgeting) analytically by temporally aggregating the mean vector elements with the linear form and the volatility vector elements with the quadratic form

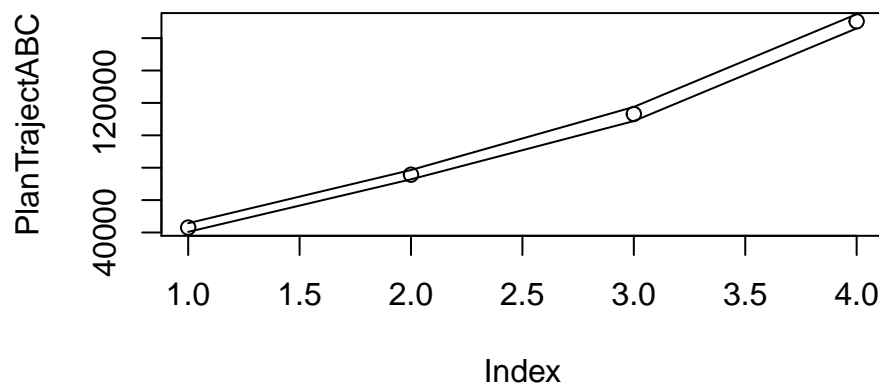
```
PlanTrajectABC<-cumsum(E_xSQ01ABC.m) # Linear temp. aggregation
PlanTrajectABC
## [1] 43049.5 75699.5 113160.0 170380.0

plot(PlanTrajectABC)

BudgetABC<-PlanTrajectABC[4] # Setting the sales budget
BudgetABC
## [1] 170380

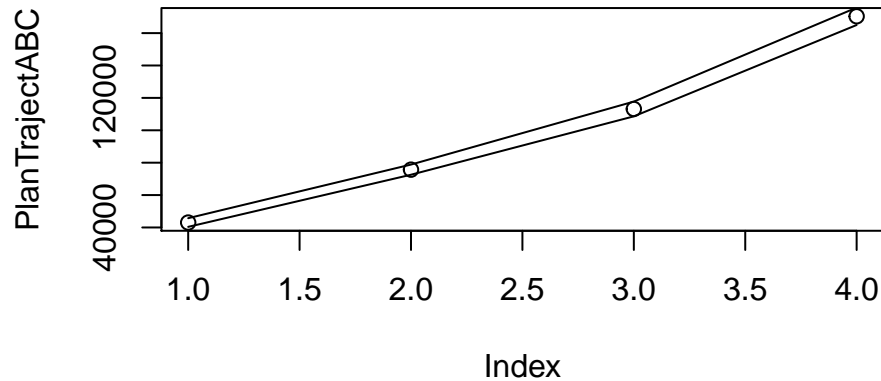
PlanVolaABC<-sqrt(cumsum((V_xSQ01ABC.m)^2)) # Quadratic temp. aggreg.
PlanVolaABC
## [1] 2674.985 2876.552 4377.784 4377.823

lines(PlanTrajectABC+PlanVolaABC)
lines(PlanTrajectABC-PlanVolaABC)
```

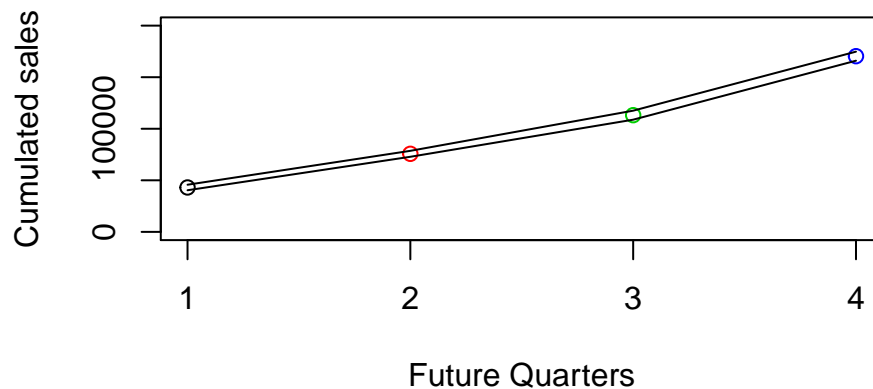


```
PlanVolaABC1<-sqrt(cumsum((V_xSQ01ABC1.m)^2)) # Volatility adjustment
PlanVolaABC1
## [1] 2674.985 3133.784 4550.939 5375.534
```

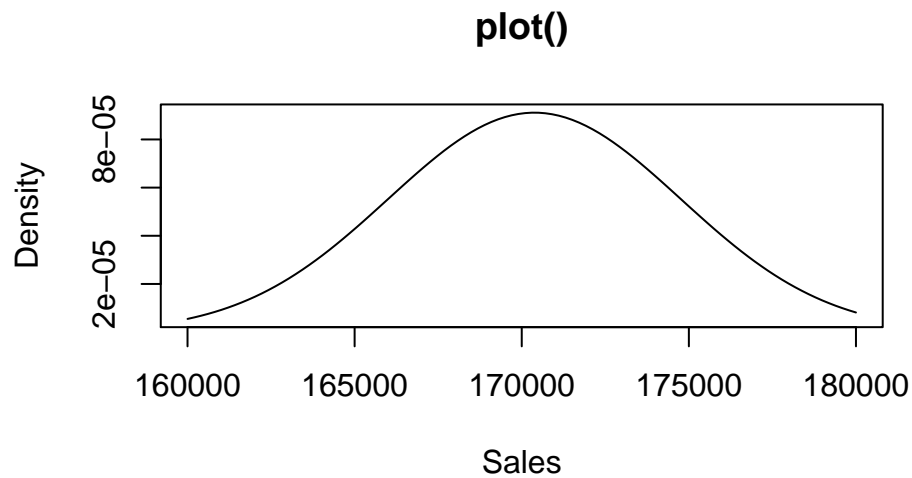
```
plot(PlanTrajectABC)
lines(PlanTrajectABC+PlanVolaABC1)
lines(PlanTrajectABC-PlanVolaABC1)
```



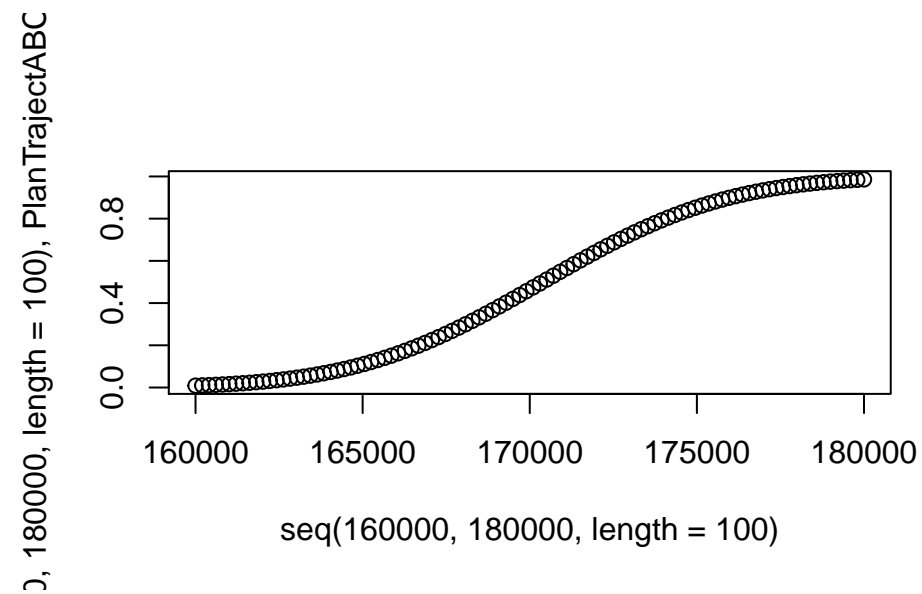
```
# Trajectory and corridor plotting
plot(PlanTrajectABC,col=1:4,xlim=c(1,4),ylim=c(0,200000),xaxt='n',
     xlab = "Future Quarters", ylab = "Cumulated sales")
axis(1, at = seq(1, 4, by = 1))
lines(PlanTrajectABC+PlanVolaABC)
lines(PlanTrajectABC-PlanVolaABC)
```



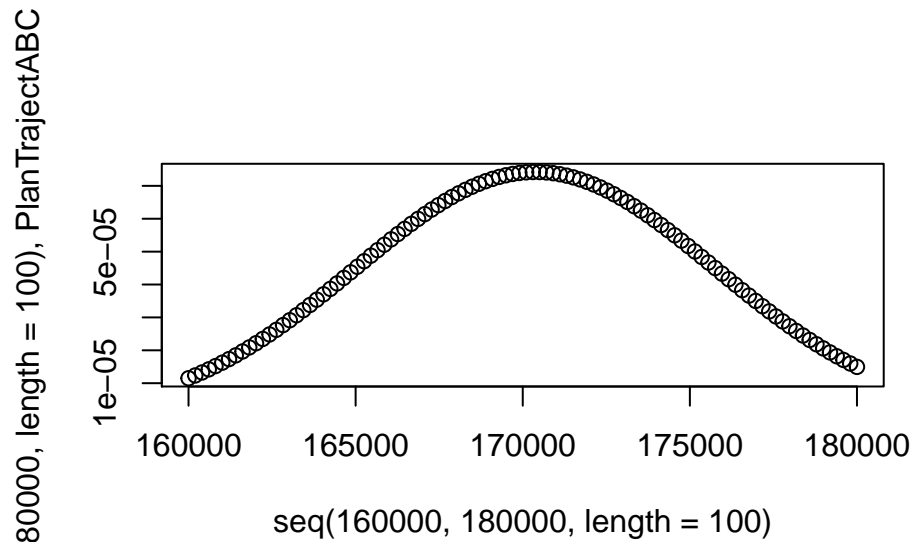
```
# Density function plotting
plot(seq(160000, 180000, length=100), dnorm(seq(160000, 180000,
length=100),PlanTrajectABC[4],PlanVolaABC[4]), type="l",
     xlab="Sales", ylab="Density", main="plot()") # Density plot ???ABC
```



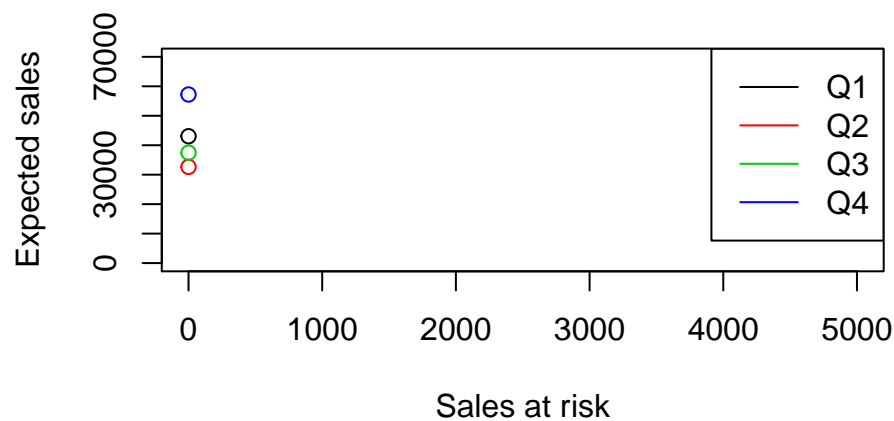
```
plot(seq(160000, 180000, length=100), pnorm(seq(160000, 180000,
length=100),PlanTrajectABC[4],PlanVolABC[4])) # Cum.Dens.plot ???ABC
```



```
plot(seq(160000, 180000, length=100), dnorm(seq(160000, 180000,
length=100),PlanTrajectABC[4],PlanVolABC1[4])) # Density plot ???ABC1
```



```
# Mean (location) and volatility (dispersion) parameter plotting
plot(CV_xSQ01ABC1.m, E_xSQ01ABC.m, col=1:4, ylim=c(0, 70000),
      xlim=c(0, 5000), xlab = "Sales at risk", ylab = "Expected sales")
legend("topright", legend=c("Q1", "Q2", "Q3", "Q4"), col=1:4, lty=1)
```



Task 16

Year-end forecasting and probabilistic control over time

```
AA_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Accumulated Actual
RE_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Remaining Expectations
CF_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Conditional Forecast
BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Budget-Forecast Deviation
BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # BFD risk-adjusted
RV_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Remaining Volatility
PrBFDra_xSQ01ABC.m<-matrix(0,1,4) # Probability BFDra
(AA_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<-c(42234.86)) #Y-end forecast & control after Q1
## [1] 42234.86
(RE_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<- sum(E_xSQ01ABC.m[2:4]))
## [1] 127330.5
(CF_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<-AA_xSQ01ABC.m[1]+RE_xSQ01ABC.m[1])
```



```

## [1] 169565.4
(BFD_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<-CF_xSQ01ABC.m[1]-BudgetABC)
## [1] -814.64
(RV_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<- sqrt(sum(V_xSQ01ABC.m[2:4]^2)))
## [1] 3465.514
(BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<-BFD_xSQ01ABC.m[1]/RV_xSQ01ABC.m[1])
## [1] -0.2350704
(PrBFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[1]<-pnorm(BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[1]))
## [1] 0.407077
(AA_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<-AA_xSQ01ABC.m[1]+c(33852.96))#Y-e.f.&ctr.after Q2
## [1] 76087.82
(RE_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<- sum(E_xSQ01ABC.m[3:4]))
## [1] 94680.5
(CF_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<-AA_xSQ01ABC.m[2]+RE_xSQ01ABC.m[2])
## [1] 170768.3
(BFD_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<-CF_xSQ01ABC.m[2]-BudgetABC)
## [1] 388.32
(RV_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<- sqrt(sum(V_xSQ01ABC.m[3:4]^2)))
## [1] 3300.119
(BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<-BFD_xSQ01ABC.m[2]/RV_xSQ01ABC.m[2])
## [1] 0.1176685
(PrBFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[2]<-pnorm(BFDra_xSQ01ABC.m[2]))
## [1] 0.5468348

```