

# QBUS6840: Tutorial 6 exponential smoothing(trend)

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- The ideal scenario

trend

$$y_t = \omega_0 + \omega_1 t + S_t + \varepsilon_t$$

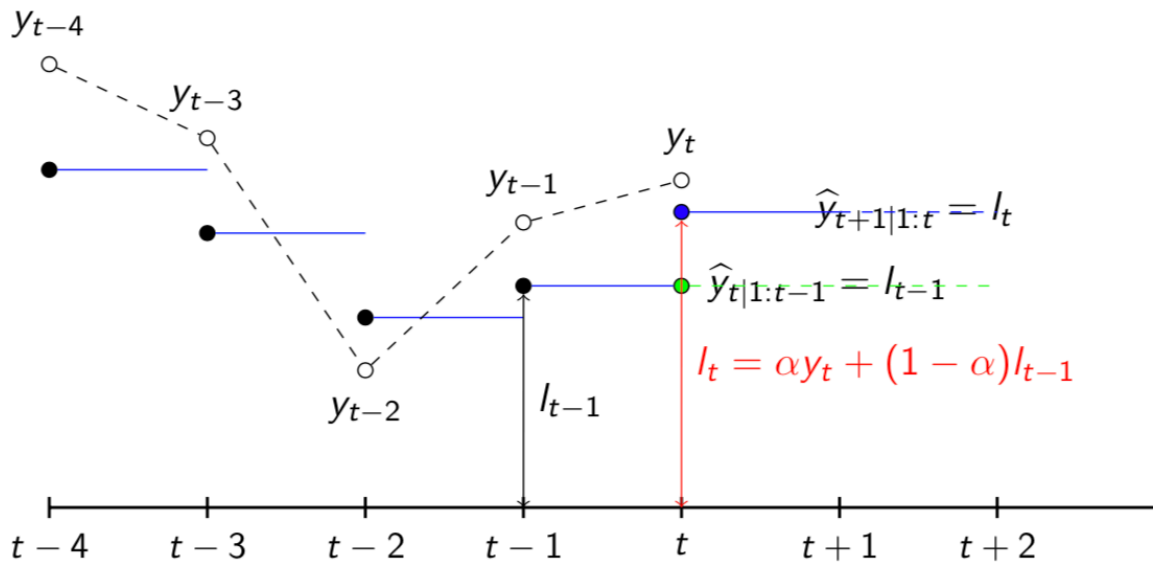
- Additive decomposition model: assuming  $\omega_0$ ,  $\omega_1$  and  $S_t$  (M different values) are fixed constants.
- Simple exponential method: modelling the case where  $S_t = 0$ ,  $\omega_1 = 0$  (or constant) and  $\omega_0$  changes with time
- Trend corrected exponential method: modelling the case where  $S_t = 0$ , both  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_0$  are changing
- How to model the data if the level, the level growth rate (the trend), and seasonal patterns are changing?

## Simple exponential smoothing

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图示

## Explanation: Simple exponential smoothing



迭代公式：

$$\widehat{y_{t+1|1:t}} = l_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha) l_{t-1}$$

当然

$$0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

展开下：

$$l_1 = \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha) l_0$$

$$l_2 = \alpha y_2 + (1 - \alpha) l_1 = \alpha y_2 + (1 - \alpha) \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha)^2 l_0$$

$$l_3 = \alpha y_3 + (1 - \alpha) l_2 = \alpha y_3 + (1 - \alpha) \alpha y_2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha)^3 l_0$$

通项公式：

$$l_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha) l_{t-1} = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha) \alpha y_{t-1} + (1 - \alpha)^2 \alpha y_{t-2} + \dots + (1 - \alpha)^{t-1} \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha)^t l_0$$

可以观察到：

1. 由于  $y_i$  都是能得到的，决定预测好坏的就是  $\alpha$  和  $l_0$  ；
2.  $\widehat{y_{t+1|1:t}}$  或者说  $l_t$  是迭代生成的。
3.  $y_t$  的  $t$  其实是从1开始的，但 python 里 list 的第一个位置的 index 是 0，即  $y_t$  就是 python 里的  $Y[t-1]$ ，比如  $y_1$  在 python 里就是  $Y[0]$

## 手动实现 Simple exponential smoothing

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1  # 伪代码
2  #第一步确定  $\alpha$  和  $l_0$ , smoothed_manual / level 存的是  $l_0$  到  $l_t$ , 同时也是  $y_1$ 
   到  $y_{t+1}$  的预测值
3
4  alpha = 0.1
5  #smoothed_manual = [y[0]]
6  level = [l_0]
7
8  # 根据迭代公式生成新的 level
9  for i in range( data_length - 1 ):
10     level.append( alpha * Y[i] + (1 - alpha) * level[i] )
11

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- 为什么 range 的范围是 data\_length - 1:

举例子说明, 假如有1000 个数据 ( $y_1$  到  $y_{1000}$ ), data\_length 为 1000。我们想根据这组数据做 Simple exponential smoothing, 得到1000个预测值 ( $\hat{y}_1$  到  $\hat{y}_{1000}$ ), 但是也就是  $l_0$  到  $l_{999}$ , 迭代生成  $l_{999}$  的时候要用到  $Y[998]$  和  $l_{998}$ 。所以 i 的范围应该是 [0, 998], 也就是 range(999), 换句话说 range(data\_length - 1)

- 但这里的  $\hat{y}_1$  是由自己设置的  $l_0$  得到的, 是不可信的

## Pandas EWM 指数加权滑动

如果要求滑动平均 EWMA 的话, 先 ewm() 再 mean()

`DataFrame.ewm(alpha, adjust)`

- alpha 和手动的 alpha 一样
- adjust

When adjust is True (default), weighted averages are calculated using weights  $(1-\alpha)^{(n-1)}$ ,  $(1-\alpha)^{(n-2)}$ , ...,  $1-\alpha$ , 1.

When adjust is False, weighted averages are calculated recursively as:

$\text{weighted\_average}[0] = \text{arg}[0]$ ;  $\text{weighted\_average}[i] = (1-\alpha) * \text{weighted\_average}[i-1] + \alpha * \text{arg}[i]$ .

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1  smoothed = y.ewm(alpha=0.05, adjust=False).mean()

```

## 寻找最佳 alpha

1. 首先实现 SSE 的公式

$$SSE = \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)$$

```

1  def sse(x, y):
2      return np.sum(np.power(x - y, 2))

```

2. 遍历(0,1) 的所有 alpha 值，计算其对应的 SSE 的值。

```
1 SSE_alphas = []
2 alphas = np.arange(0.01,1,0.01)
3
4 for i in alphas:
5     smoothed = y.ewm(alpha = i, adjust=False).mean()
6     SSE_alphas.append( sse(smoothed[:-1], y.values[1:]) )
```

- smoothed  $\hat{y}_2$  到  $\hat{y}_{t+1}$ , smoothed[:-1]  $\hat{y}_2$  到  $\hat{y}_t$
- y.values 是 y 对应的一维 array, y.values[1:] 指的是  $y_2$  到  $y_t$

3. 用 np.argmin 函数找到 SSE 最小的 alpha 值

np.argmin() 返回 array 最小值的 index

```
1 optimal_alpha_one = alphas[ np.argmin(sse_one) ]
```

## 寻找最佳的 $l_0$

Tutorial 的意思是寻找  $l_0$  的过程和  $\alpha$  一样，就是 比较 SSE 的大小。

Finally, we will discuss how to select the best fitting  $\alpha$ . Note that selecting the value of  $l_0$  is also important. However, in this tutorial, we only choose  $l_0 = y_0$  for simplicity. You can also refer to the steps of selecting  $\alpha$  to select  $l_0$ .

$l_0$  一般有两种方式获得，

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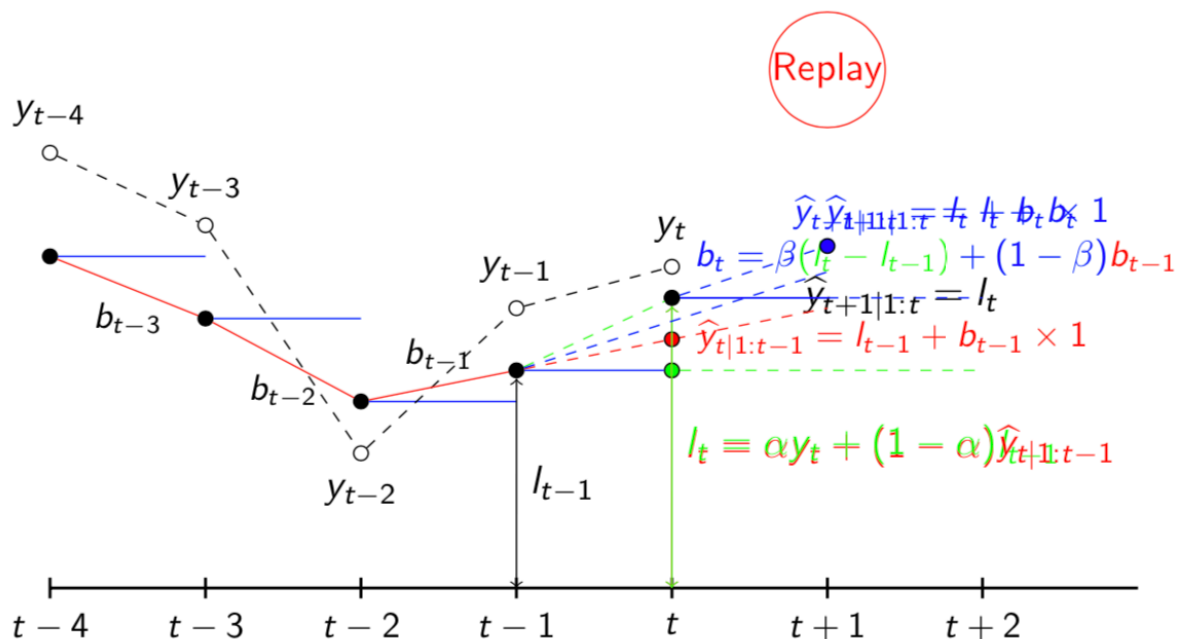
- We left  $l_0$  unspecified above.
- How should we set it?
  - Use the average of very initial observations, i.e.,  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  etc., or even simply  $y_1$
  - Take  $l_0$  as a parameters, and use an algorithm to estimate it.
- 后一种在 lec 6 里有说，用的是线性回归

## Holt's linear method

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## 图示

### Explanation: Including Trend Information



## 递推公式：

Forecast equation

$$\hat{y}_{t+h|t} = l_t + h b_t$$

Level equation

$$l_t = \alpha y_t + (1 - \alpha) (l_{t-1} + b_{t-1})$$

Trend equation

$$b_t = \beta^* (l_t - l_{t-1}) + (1 - \beta^*) b_{t-1},$$

这里的 h 指的是 h-step-ahead forecast 的 h

可以观察到：

1. 需要调的参数是  $\alpha$  和  $\beta$
2.  $l_0$  和  $b_0$  对结果好坏至关重要

## 初始化参数

```
1 alpha = 0.1
2 beta = 0.1
3 l = [y[0]]
4 b = [y[1] - y[0]]
5
6 Y = y.tolist()
```

- 设定  $\alpha$  和  $\beta$  值, 以及  $l_0$  和  $b_0$
- Y 存的是  $y_t$ , 也就是  $y_1 y_2 \dots$

## Smoothing without forecasting

```

1 holtsmoothed_manual = []
2 for i in range(len(y)):
3     l.append(alpha * Y[i] + (1 - alpha) * (l[i] + b[i]))
4     b.append(beta * (l[i+1] - l[i]) + (1 - beta) * b[i])
5     holtsmoothed_manual.append(l[i+1])

```

- holtforecast\_manual 存的是  $\hat{y}_{t+0|t} = l_t$ ,  $t [1, \text{len}(y)]$
- Y 存的是  $y_t$ , 也就是  $y_1 y_2 \dots$
- $\text{len}(y) = 312, \text{range}(\text{len}(y)) = [0, 311]$ 
  - $i = 0 \quad l_1 = \alpha y_0 + (1 - \alpha)l_0$
  - $i = 1 \quad l_2 = \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha)l_1$
  - $i = 2 \quad l_3 = \alpha y_2 + (1 - \alpha)l_2$
  - .....
  - $i = 311 \quad l_{312} = \alpha y_{311} + (1 - \alpha)l_{311}$
- holtsmoothed\_manual 存的是  $[l_1 \text{ 到 } l_{312}]$

## 1-step forecasting(12 months)

```

1 holtforecast_manual = []
2
3 for i in range(len(y)+12):
4     if i == len(Y):
5         Y.append(l[-1] + b[-1])
6
7     l.append(alpha * Y[i] + (1 - alpha) * (l[i] + b[i]))
8     b.append(beta * (l[i+1] - l[i]) + (1 - beta) * b[i])
9
10    holtforecast_manual.append(l[i] + b[i])

```

- holtforecast\_manual 存的是  $\hat{y}_{t+1|t} = l_t + b_t$ ,  $t [0, \text{len}(y) + 11]$
- 第 7, 8, 9 行和之前的 smoothed 过程一样, 因为 forecast 是在 smoothed 结果基础上进行的
- 第四行和第五行在 Y 原来的 312 个数据 smooth 完之后, 将  $l_t + b_t$  作为新的  $y_{t+1}$  用来预测。
- $\text{range}(\text{len}(y) + 12)$  范围是  $[0, 323]$
- Y 存的是  $y_t$ , 也就是  $y_1 y_2 \dots$
- $i = 0 \quad l_1 = \alpha y_1 + (1 - \alpha)(l_0 + b_0) \quad b_1 = \beta(l_1 - l_0) + (1 - \beta)b_0 \quad \hat{y}_1 = l_0 + b_0$
- $i = 1 \quad l_2 = \alpha y_2 + (1 - \alpha)(l_1 + b_1) \quad b_2 = \beta(l_2 - l_1) + (1 - \beta)b_1 \quad \hat{y}_2 = l_1 + b_1$
- $i = 2 \quad l_3 = \alpha y_3 + (1 - \alpha)(l_2 + b_2) \quad b_3 = \beta(l_3 - l_2) + (1 - \beta)b_2 \quad \hat{y}_3 = l_2 + b_2$
- .....
- $i = 311 \quad l_{312} = \alpha y_{312} + (1 - \alpha)(l_{311} + b_{311}) \quad b_{312} = \beta(l_{312} - l_{311}) + (1 - \beta)b_{311}$   
 $\hat{y}_{312} = l_{311} + b_{311}$

之后

$i == \text{len}(Y) = 312$  条件成立,  $Y[312] = y_{313} = l_{312} + b_{312}$

- $i = 312$   $l_{313} = \alpha y_{313} + (1 - \alpha)(l_{312} + b_{312})$   $b_{313} = \beta(l_{313} - l_{312}) + (1 - \beta)b_{312}$   
 $\hat{y}_{313} = l_{312} + b_{312}$
- ....
- $i = 323$   $l_{324} = \alpha y_{324} + (1 - \alpha)(l_{323} + b_{323})$   $b_{324} = \beta(l_{324} - l_{323}) + (1 - \beta)b_{323}$   
 $\hat{y}_{324} = l_{323} + b_{323}$
- holtsforecast\_manual 存的的就是  $\hat{y}_1 \dots \hat{y}_{324}$

## 2-step forecasting(12 months)

```
1 holtsforecast_manual2 = []
2
3 for i in range(len(y)+12):
4     if i == len(Y):
5         Y.append(l[-1] + 2*b[-1])
6
7     l.append(alpha * Y[i] + (1 - alpha) * (l[i] + b[i]))
8     b.append(beta * (l[i+1] - l[i]) + (1 - beta) * b[i])
9
10    holtsforecast_manual.append(l[i] + 2*b[i])
```

- 和 1-step 的区别在于  $\hat{y}_{t+2|t} = l_t + 2b_t$

## n-step forecasting (m months)

```
1 def holt(n,m):
2     holtsforecast_manual2 = []
3
4     for i in range(len(y)+n):
5         if i == len(Y):
6             Y.append(l[-1] + m*b[-1])
7
8         l.append(alpha * Y[i] + (1 - alpha) * (l[i] + b[i]))
9         b.append(beta * (l[i+1] - l[i]) + (1 - beta) * b[i])
10
11    holtsforecast_manual.append(l[i] + m*b[i])
```

- 和 1-step 的区别在于  $\hat{y}_{t+n|t} = l_t + nb_t$

