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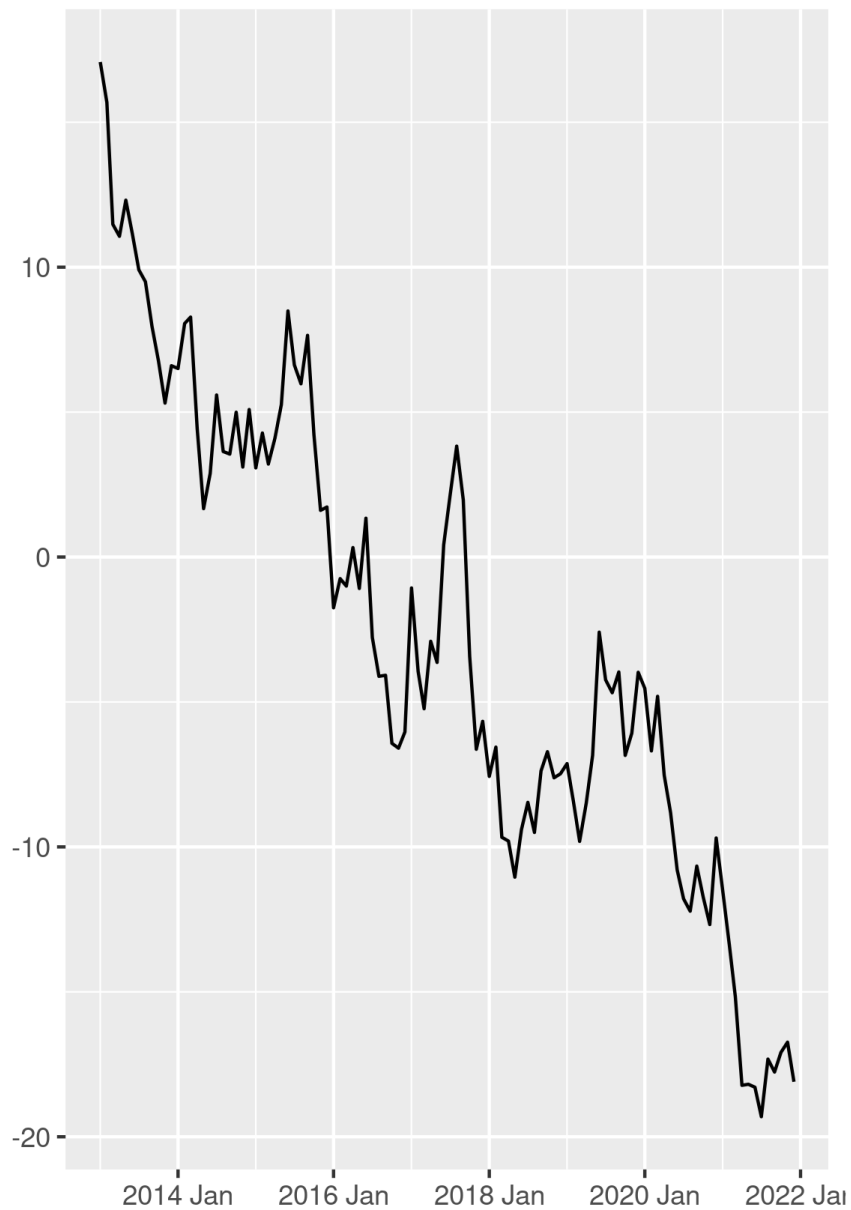
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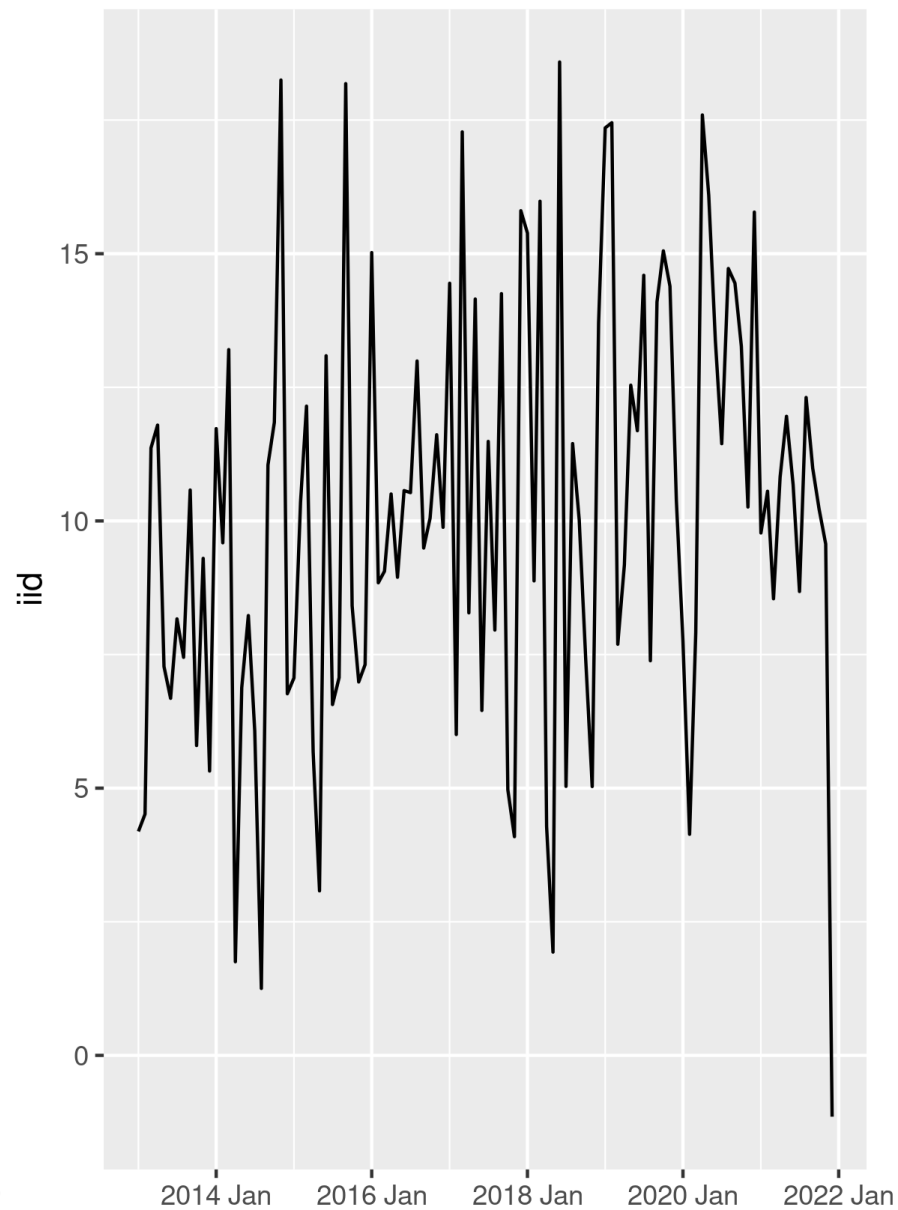
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For a stationary process  $(y_t)$  the function

$$\varphi_{kk} = \text{pCorr}(y_t, y_{t+k}; y_{t+1}, \dots, y_{t+k-1})$$

is called **partial autocorrelation**

# ACF and PACF: Intuition

For stationary process

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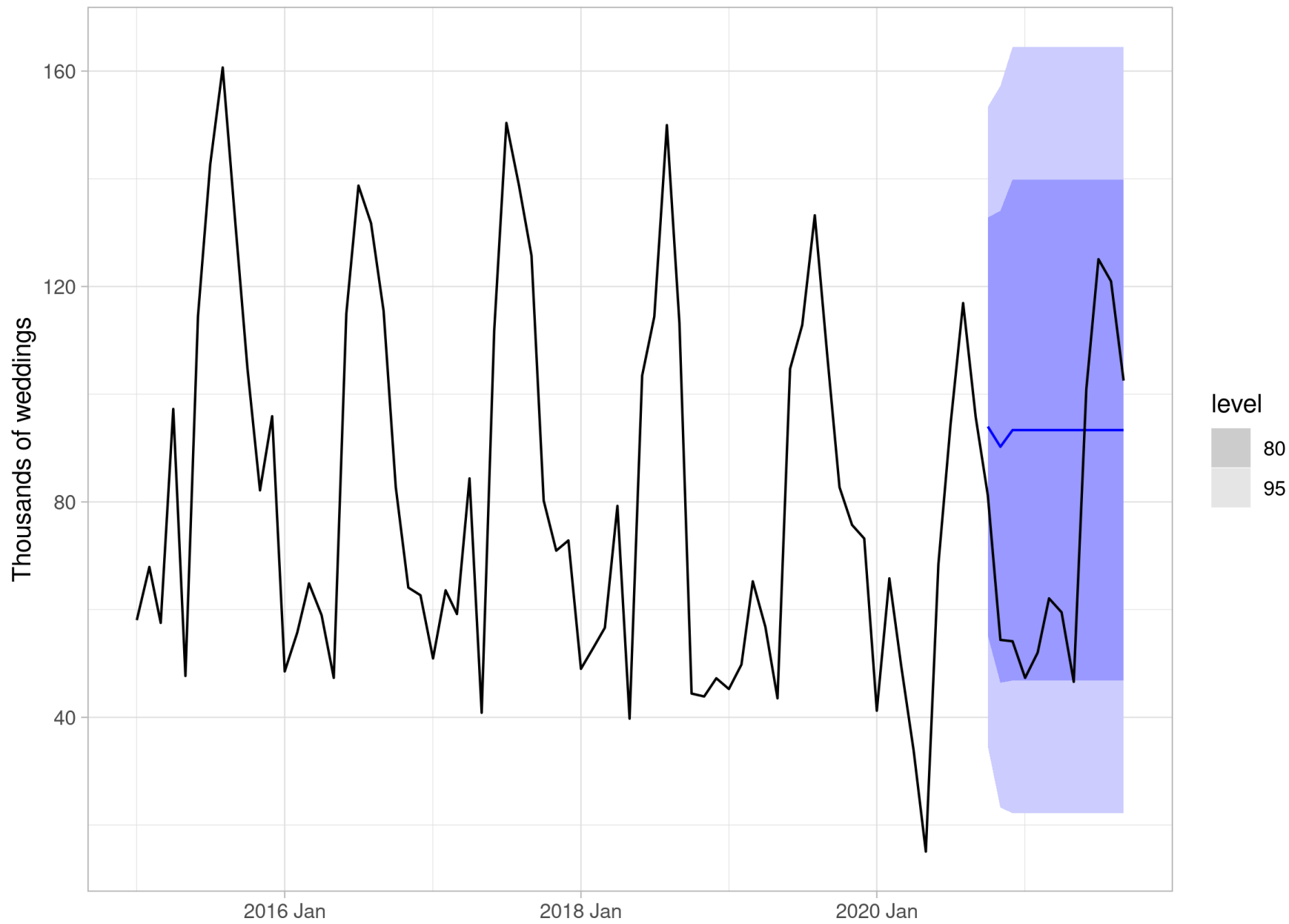
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Forecasts more than  $q$  steps ahead are exactly the same.

$$(y_{T+q+1} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim (y_{T+q+2} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim (y_{T+q+3} \mid \mathcal{F}_T) \sim \dots$$

# Predictions for $MA(2)$

Forecasting number of weddings with MA(2)



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$$y_t = 5 + u_t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}u_{t-1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}u_{t-2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}u_{t-3} + \dots$$

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## Bonus

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# Wald's Theorem

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If  $(y_t)$  is a stationary process, then it can be represented as:

$$y_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i u_{t-i} + r_t,$$

where

- $(u_t)$  — white noise,
- $\sum \alpha_i^2 < \infty$ ,
- $r_t$  is a linear **predictable** random process,
- $\text{Cov}(u_t, r_t) = 0$



# Predictable Process

## Correct definition

A process  $(r_t)$  is called **linearly predictable** if

- $(r_t)$  is stationary,
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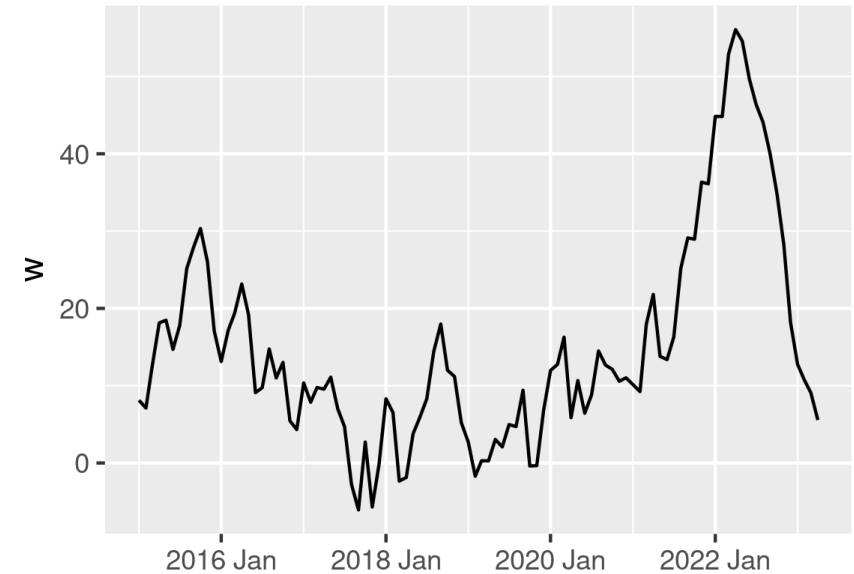
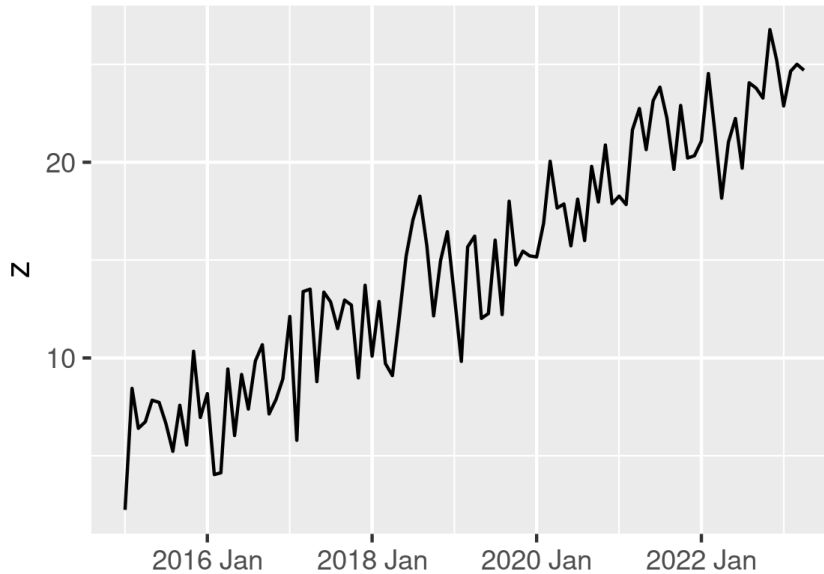
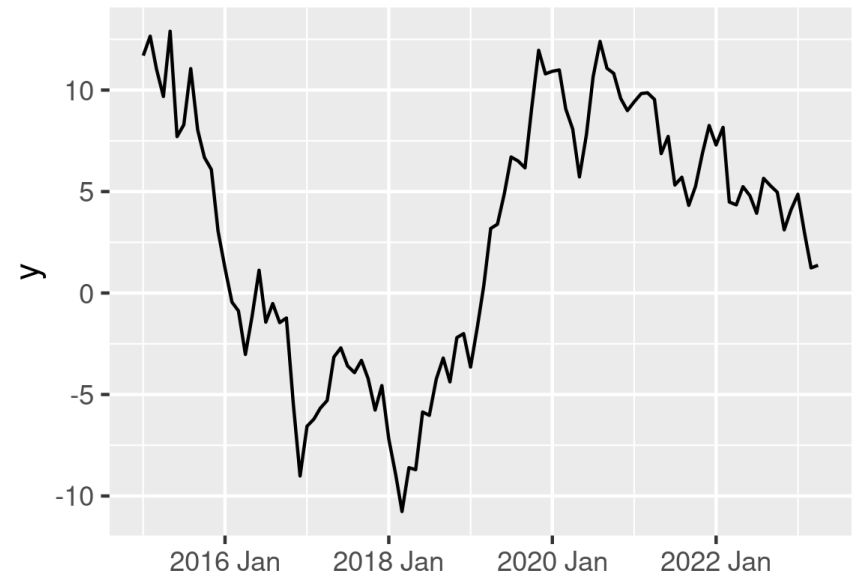
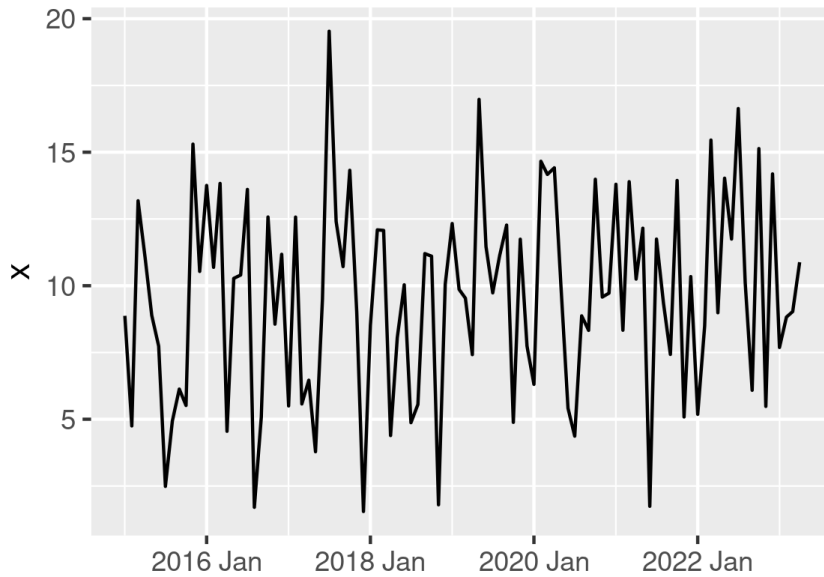
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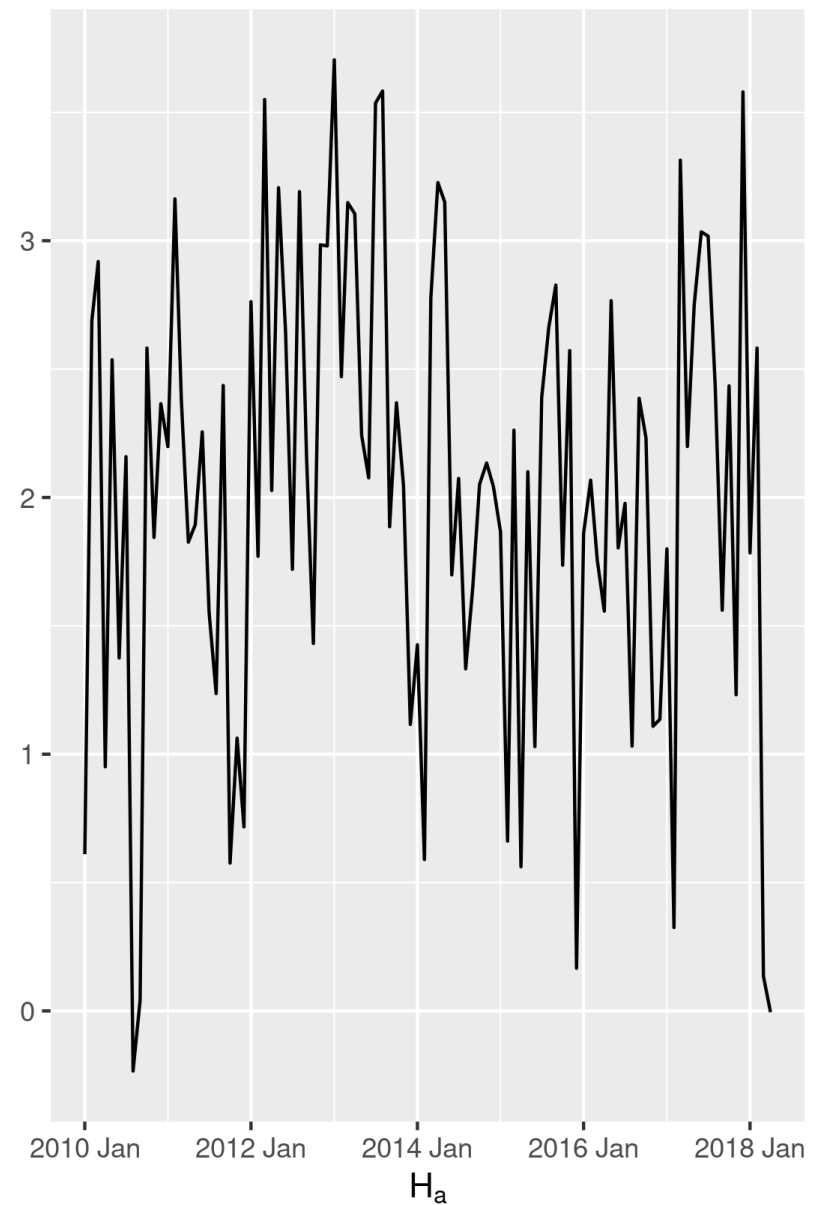
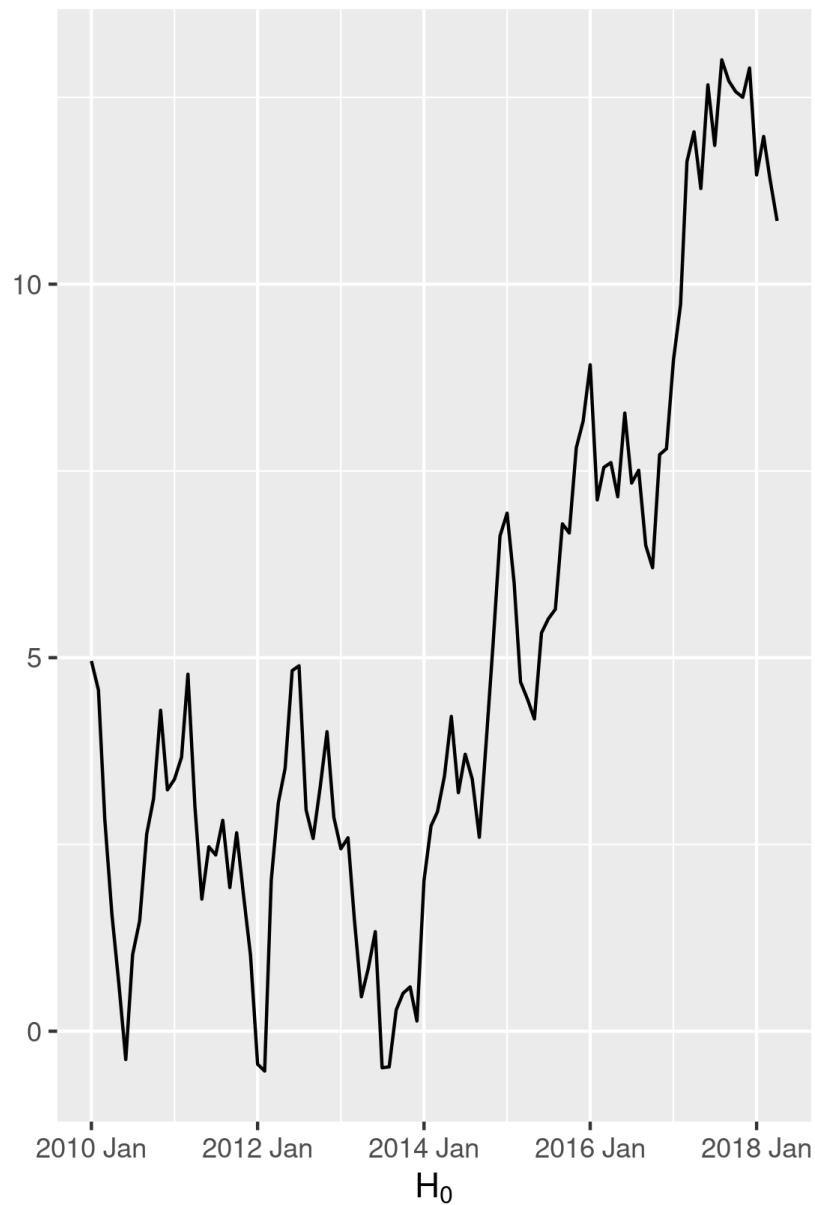
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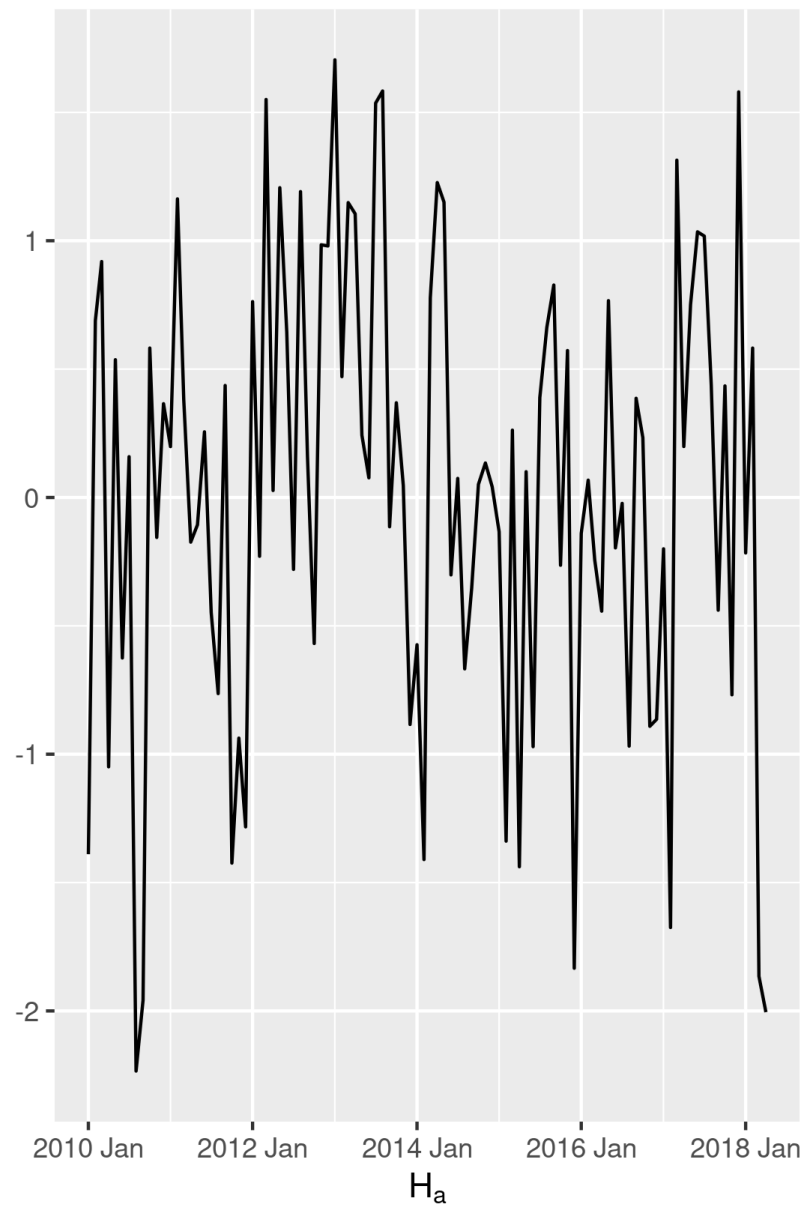
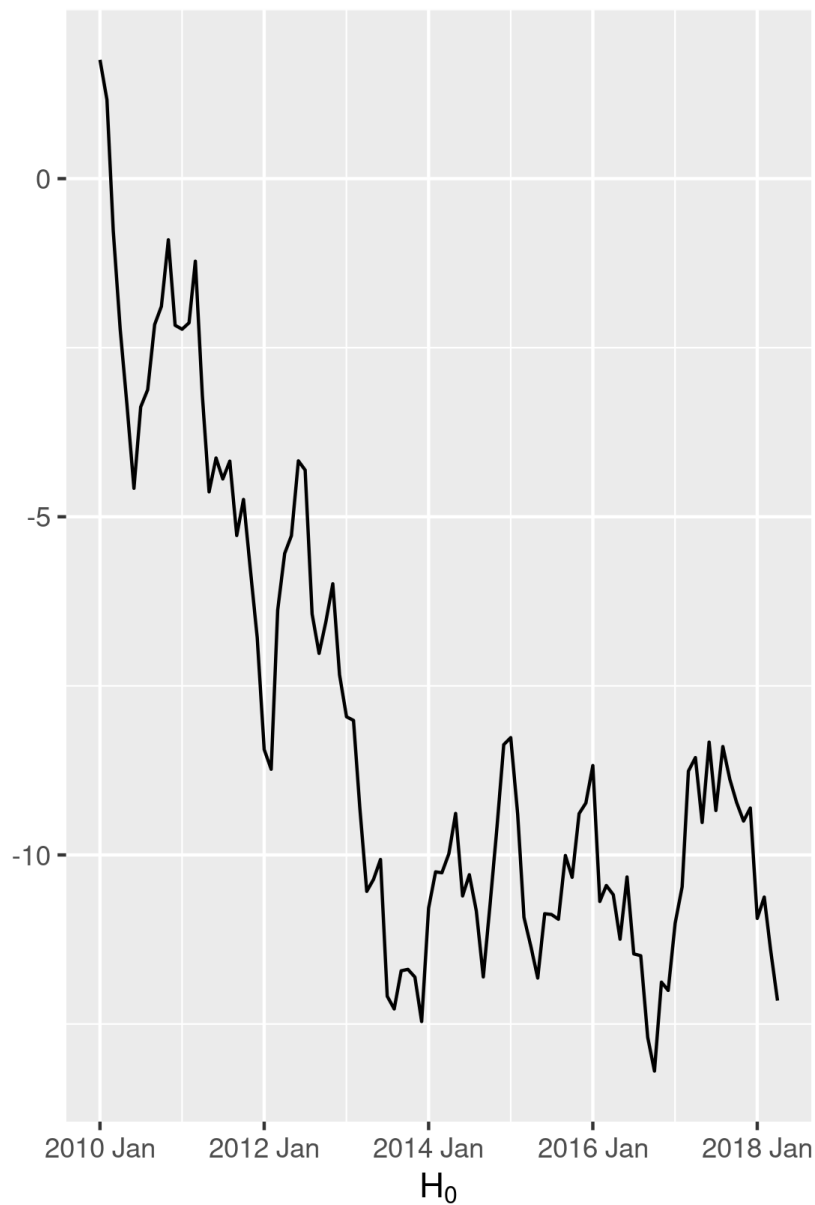
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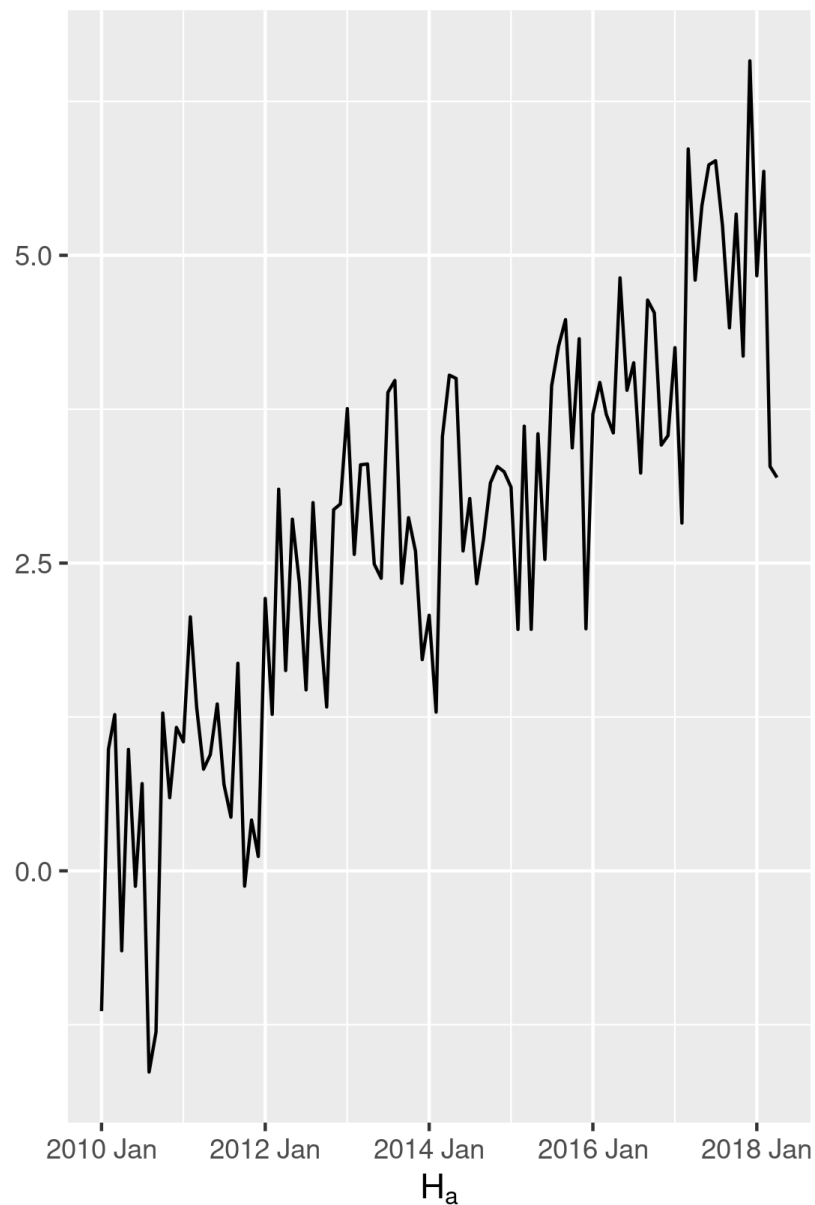
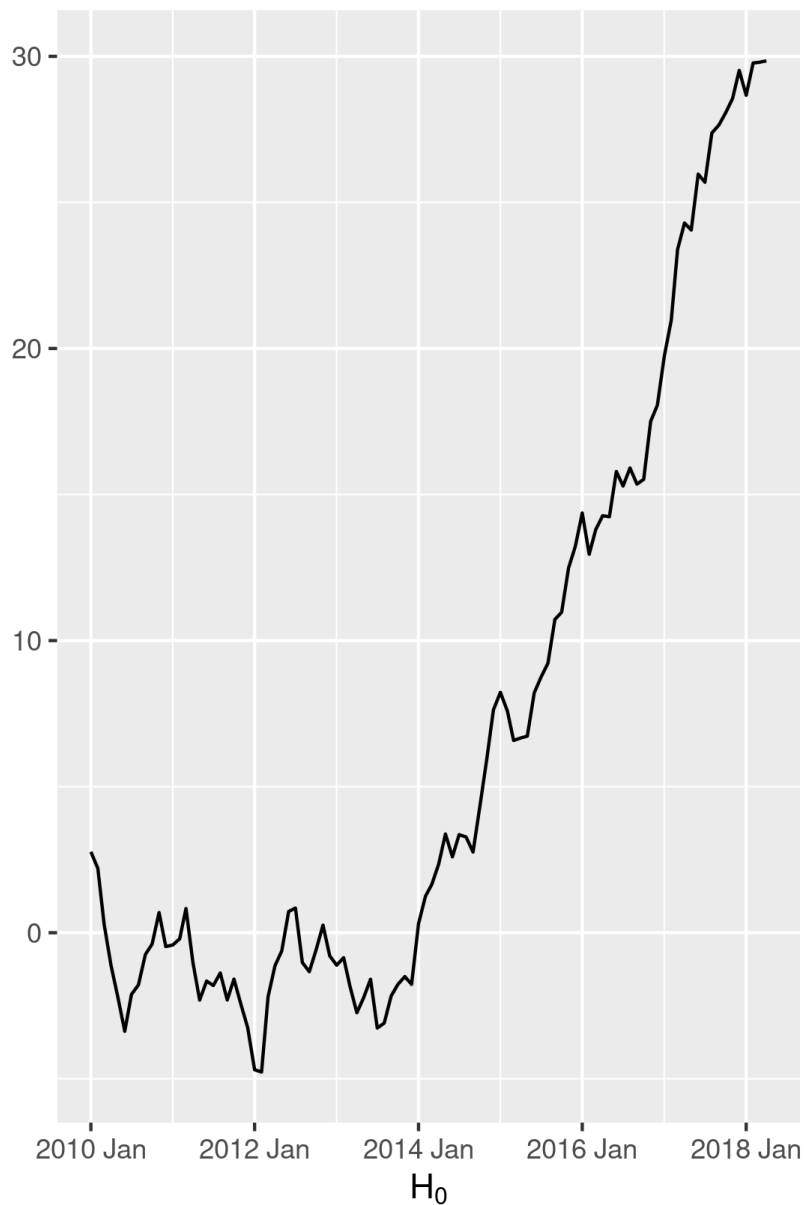
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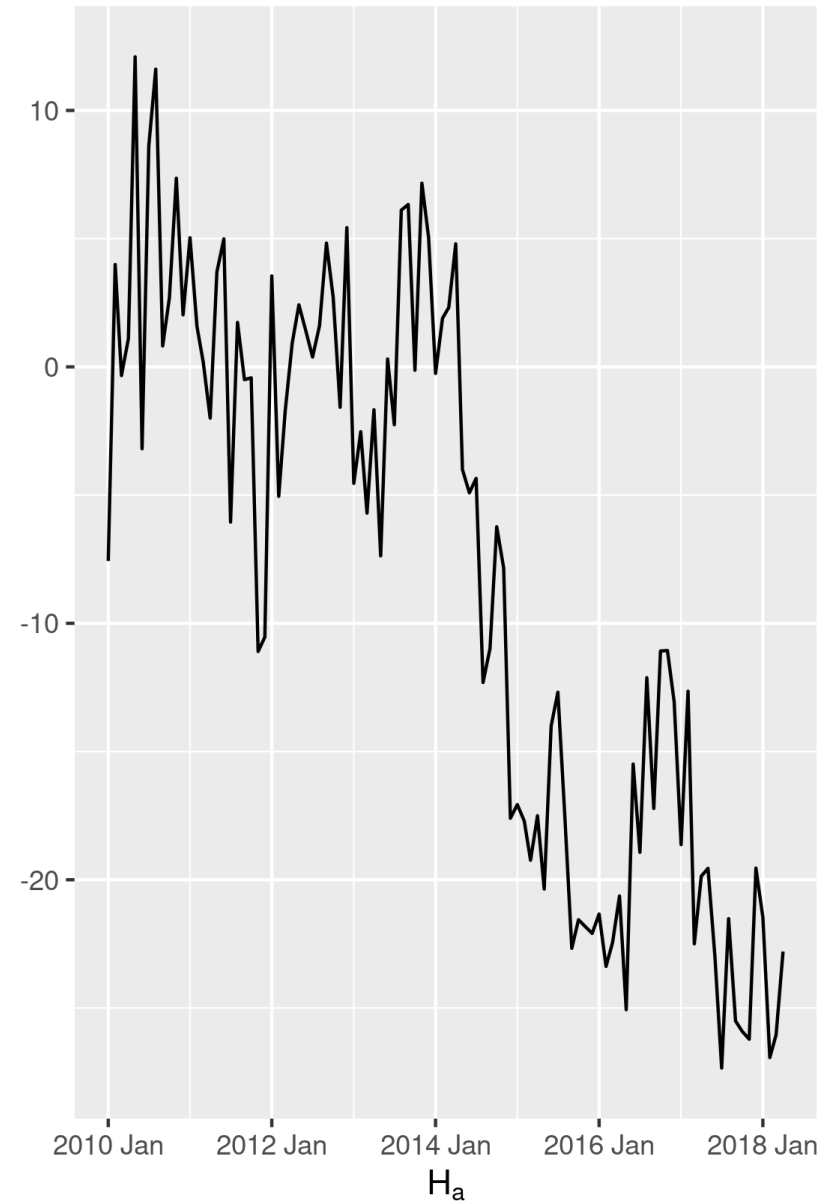
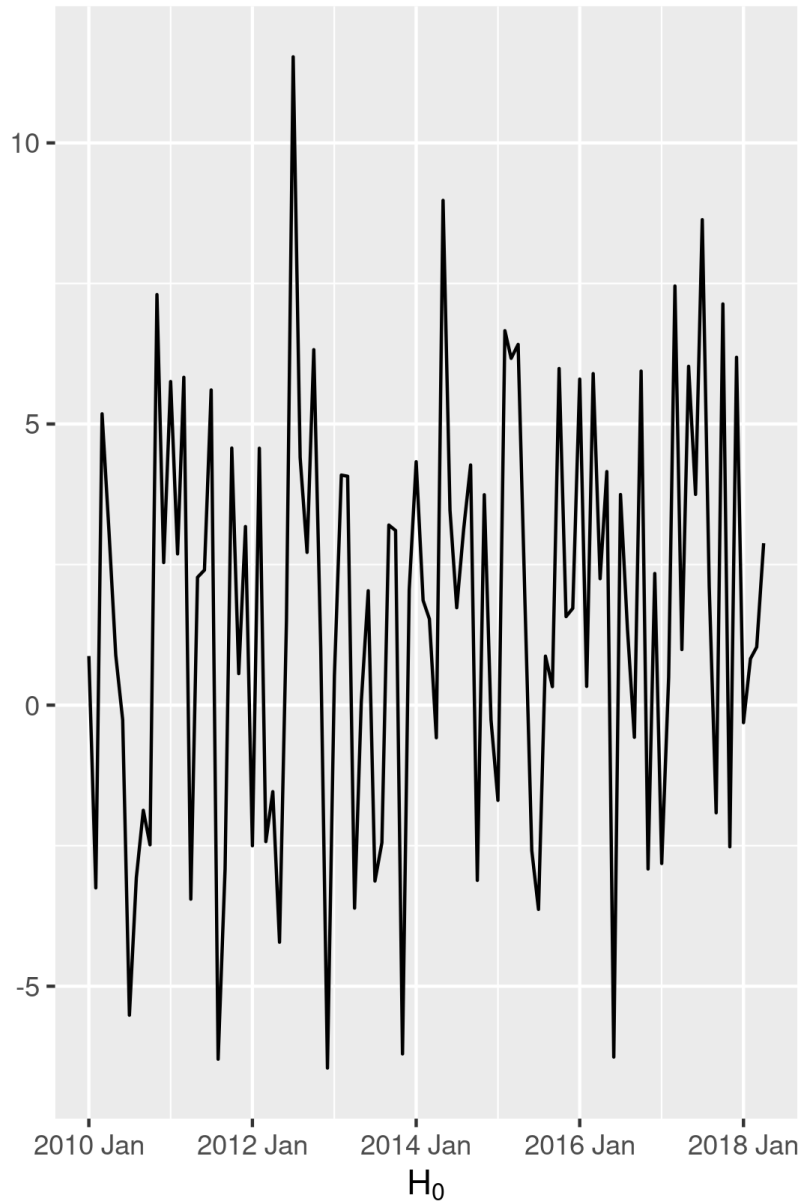
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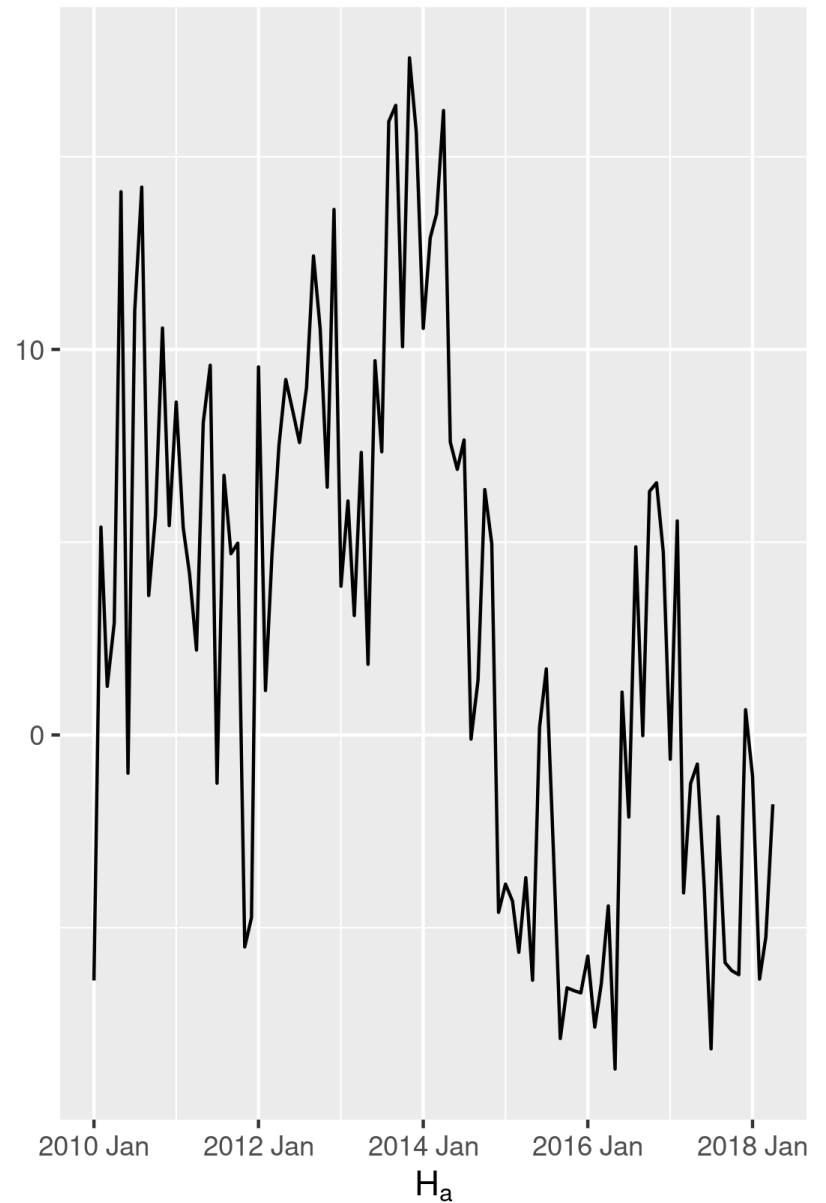
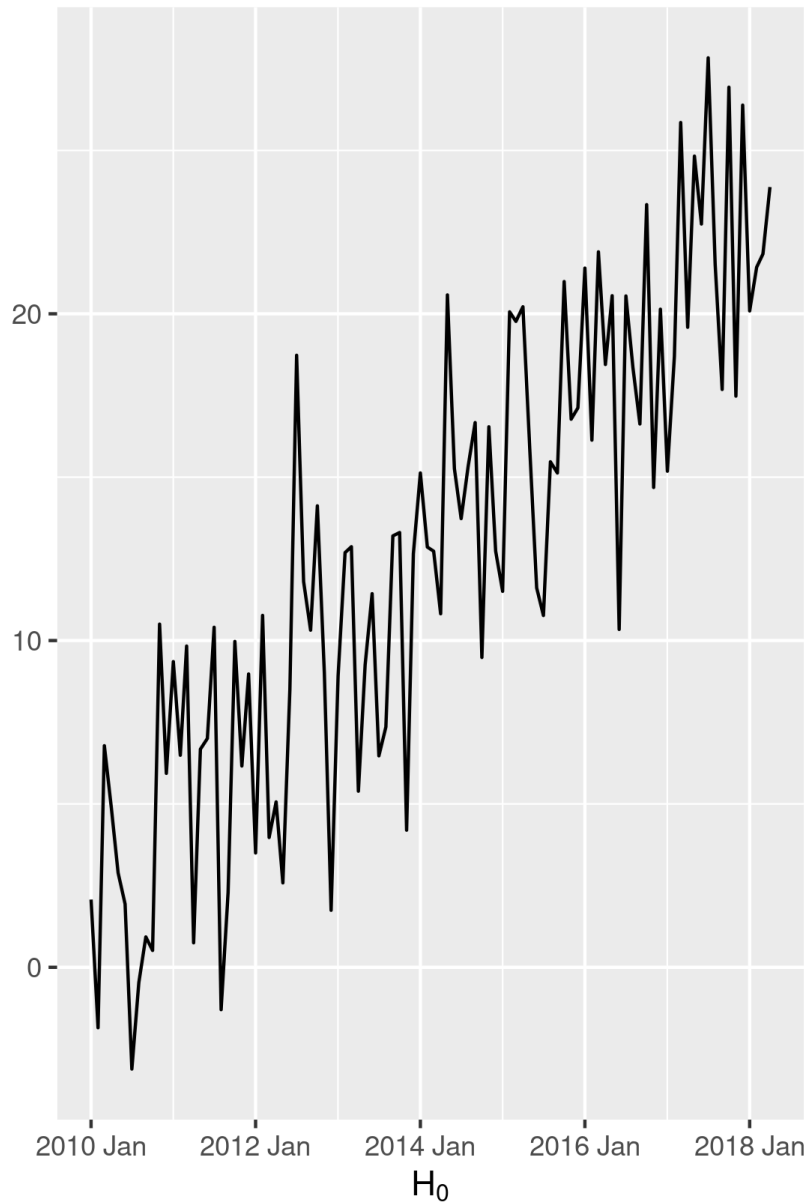
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