

MSCA 31006 Assignment3

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Instructions:

- . Total number of points is 36. The assignment's final grade will be multiplied by 1/6 to calculate its weight on the final grade.
- . Mark the question number and your final answer clearly (use a textbox.)
- . Remember to show and explain your work (If you can't explain it, you don't understand it.)
- . Please submit your solution through Canvas.

For this exercise, we will use the Quarterly US GDP 1947Q1 - 2006Q1 dataset from the FPP package (Data set: usgdp.rda).

(1 points) Question 1:

Load the usgdp.rda dataset and split it into a training dataset (1947Q1 - 2005Q1) and a test dataset (2005Q2 - 2006Q1)

```
data(usgdp)
(usgdp_train<-ts(usgdp[1:233],start=c(1947,1),frequency = 4))
```

##	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4
## 1947	1570.5	1568.7	1568.0	1590.9
## 1948	1616.1	1644.6	1654.1	1658.0
## 1949	1633.2	1628.4	1646.7	1629.9
## 1950	1696.8	1747.3	1815.8	1848.9
## 1951	1871.3	1903.1	1941.1	1944.4
## 1952	1964.7	1966.0	1978.8	2043.8
## 1953	2082.3	2098.1	2085.4	2052.5
## 1954	2042.4	2044.3	2066.9	2107.8
## 1955	2168.5	2204.0	2233.4	2245.3
## 1956	2234.8	2252.5	2249.8	2286.5
## 1957	2300.3	2294.6	2317.0	2292.5
## 1958	2230.2	2243.4	2295.2	2348.0
## 1959	2392.9	2455.8	2453.9	2462.6
## 1960	2517.4	2504.8	2508.7	2476.2
## 1961	2491.2	2538.0	2579.1	2631.8
## 1962	2679.1	2708.4	2733.3	2740.0
## 1963	2775.9	2810.6	2863.5	2885.8
## 1964	2950.5	2984.8	3025.5	3033.6
## 1965	3108.2	3150.2	3214.1	3291.8

```
## 1966 3372.3 3384.0 3406.3 3433.7
## 1967 3464.1 3464.3 3491.8 3518.2
## 1968 3590.7 3651.6 3676.5 3692.0
## 1969 3750.2 3760.9 3784.2 3766.3
## 1970 3760.0 3767.1 3800.5 3759.8
## 1971 3864.1 3885.9 3916.7 3927.9
## 1972 3997.7 4092.1 4131.1 4198.7
## 1973 4305.3 4355.1 4331.9 4373.3
## 1974 4335.4 4347.9 4305.8 4288.9
## 1975 4237.6 4268.6 4340.9 4397.8
## 1976 4496.8 4530.3 4552.0 4584.6
## 1977 4640.0 4731.1 4815.8 4815.3
## 1978 4830.8 5021.2 5070.7 5137.4
## 1979 5147.4 5152.3 5189.4 5204.7
## 1980 5221.3 5115.9 5107.4 5202.1
## 1981 5307.5 5266.1 5329.8 5263.4
## 1982 5177.1 5204.9 5185.2 5189.8
## 1983 5253.8 5372.3 5478.4 5590.5
## 1984 5699.8 5797.9 5854.3 5902.4
## 1985 5956.9 6007.8 6101.7 6148.6
## 1986 6207.4 6232.0 6291.7 6323.4
## 1987 6365.0 6435.0 6493.4 6606.8
## 1988 6639.1 6723.5 6759.4 6848.6
## 1989 6918.1 6963.5 7013.1 7030.9
## 1990 7112.1 7130.3 7130.8 7076.9
## 1991 7040.8 7086.5 7120.7 7154.1
## 1992 7228.2 7297.9 7369.5 7450.7
## 1993 7459.7 7497.5 7536.0 7637.4
## 1994 7715.1 7815.7 7859.5 7951.6
## 1995 7973.7 7988.0 8053.1 8112.0
## 1996 8169.2 8303.1 8372.7 8470.6
## 1997 8536.1 8665.8 8773.7 8838.4
## 1998 8936.2 8995.3 9098.9 9237.1
## 1999 9315.5 9392.6 9502.2 9671.1
## 2000 9695.6 9847.9 9836.6 9887.7
## 2001 9875.6 9905.9 9871.1 9910.0
## 2002 9977.3 10031.6 10090.7 10095.8
## 2003 10138.6 10230.4 10410.9 10502.6
## 2004 10612.5 10704.1 10808.9 10897.1
## 2005 10999.3
```

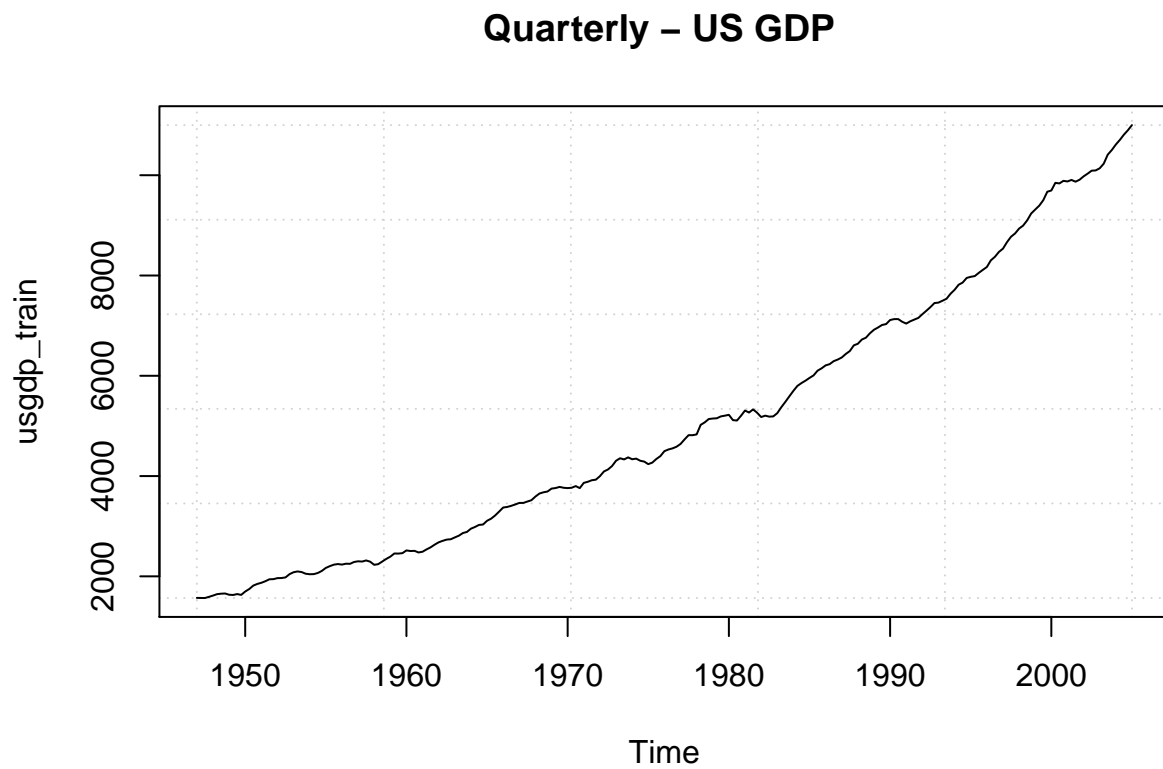
```
(usgdp_test<-ts(usgdp[234:237],start=c(2005,2),frequency = 4))
```

```
##          Qtr1    Qtr2    Qtr3    Qtr4
## 2005          11089.2 11202.3 11248.3
## 2006 11403.6
```

(5 points) Question 2:

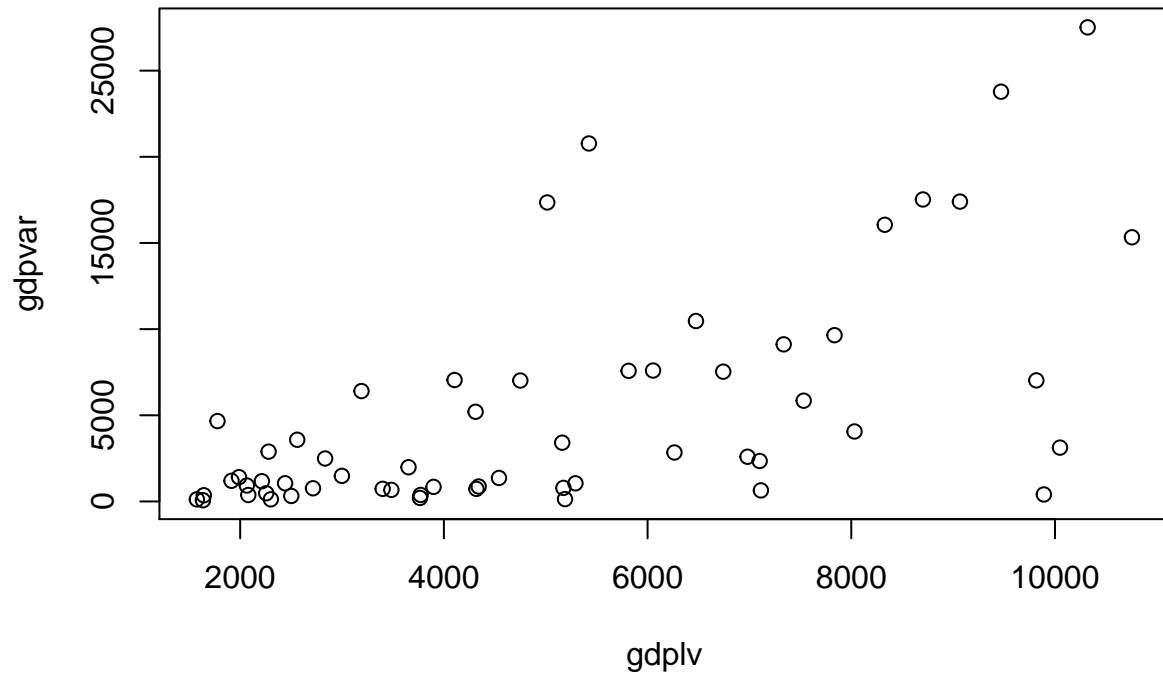
Plot the training dataset. Is the Box-Cox transformation necessary for this data?

```
plot(usgdp_train, main="Quarterly - US GDP ",panel.first = grid())
```



```
gdpvar<-c()
gdplv<-c()
for (i in 1:as.integer(233/4)){
  gdpvar[i]<-var(usgdp_train[seq(4*i,4*i-3,-1)])
  gdplv[i]<-mean(usgdp_train[seq(4*i,4*i-3,-1)])
}
plot(x=gdplv,y=gdpvar,main='Quarterly GDP Variance vs Level')
```

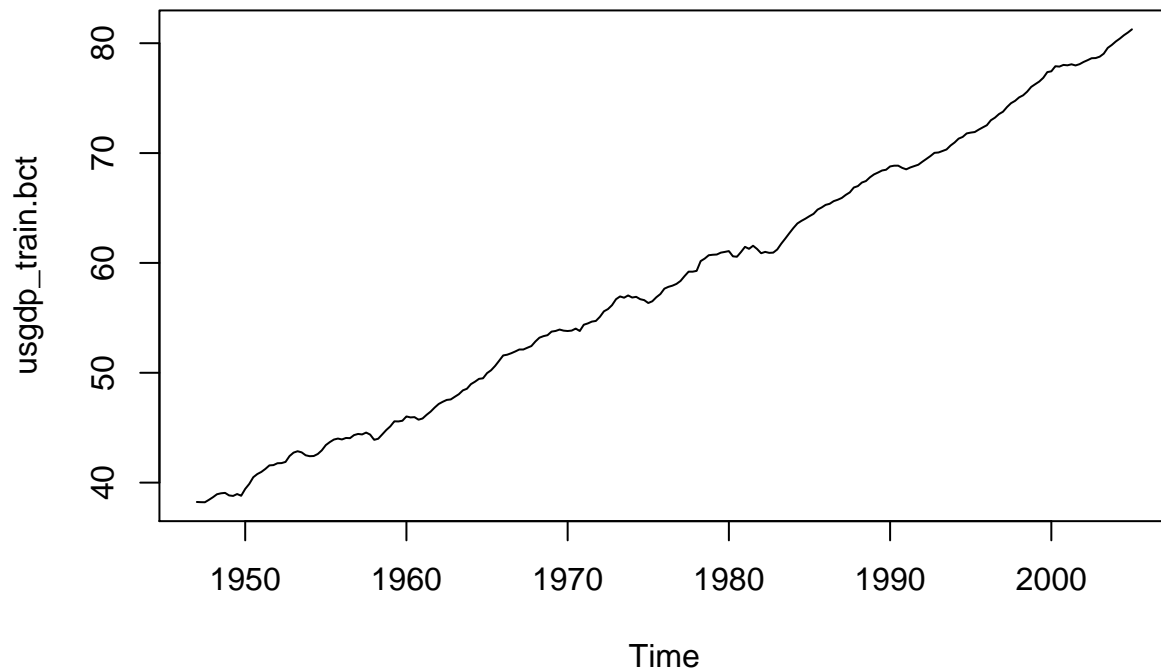
Quaterly GDP Variance vs Level



```
BoxCox.lambda(usgdp_train)
```

```
## [1] 0.3689656
```

```
usgdp_train.bct<-BoxCox(usgdp_train,lambda = 0.3689656)  
usgdp_test.bct<-BoxCox(usgdp_test,lambda = 0.3689656)  
plot(usgdp_train.bct)
```



From the plot, We can see that variance changes with level and suggested lamda for BoxCox transformation is 0.3689656. But this is not enough to conclude that whether Box-Cox Transformation is necessary for the data. I will produce best arima models for both original data and box-cox transformed data and make the conclusion based on the sum of squared error from the forecast of each model.

```
# There does not appear to be a seasonal pattern, so we fit the best model without seasonality
fit.unchanged<-auto.arima(usgdp_train, seasonal = F)
fit.bct<-auto.arima(usgdp_train.bct,seasonal = F)
fc.uc<-forecast(fit.unchanged,h=4)$mean
fc.bct<- bimixt::boxcox.inv(forecast(fit.bct,h=4)$mean,lambda = 0.3689656)
sse.uc<-sum((fc.uc-usgdp_test)**2)
sse.bct<-sum((fc.bct-usgdp_test)**2)
cat('Forecast SSE of Unchanged Data:',sse.uc,'\n')
```

```
## Forecast SSE of Unchanged Data: 12759.38
```

```
cat('Forecast SSE of Box-Cox Transformed Data:',sse.bct)
```

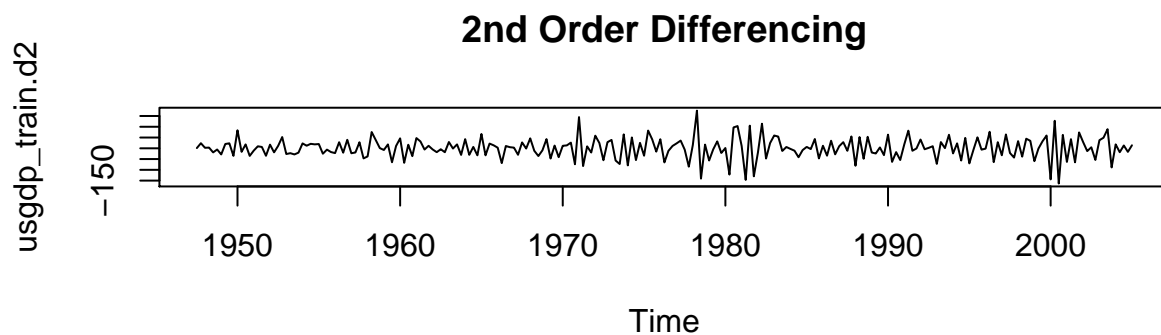
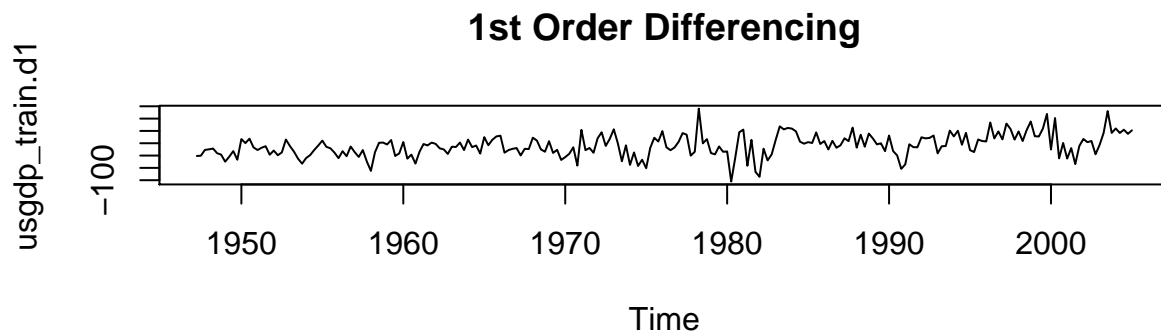
```
## Forecast SSE of Box-Cox Transformed Data: 15844.55
```

We can see that Forecast SSE from the best ARIMA model of Unchanged Data is smaller than Forecast SSE from the best ARIMA model of Box-Cox Transformed Data. The conclusion is that Box-Cox Transformation is NOT necessary.

(5 points) Question 3:

Plot the 1st and 2nd order difference of the data. Apply KPSS Test for Stationarity to determine which difference order results in a stationary dataset.

```
usgdp_train.d1<-diff(usgdp_train)
usgdp_train.d2<-diff(usgdp_train,differences = 2)
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plot(usgdp_train.d1,main='1st Order Differencing')
plot(usgdp_train.d2,main='2nd Order Differencing')
```



```
print('1st Order Differencing')
```

```
## [1] "1st Order Differencing"
```

```
tseries::kpss.test(usgdp_train.d1)
```

```
##
```

```
## KPSS Test for Level Stationarity
```

```
##
```

```
## data: usgdp_train.d1
```

```
## KPSS Level = 1.6348, Truncation lag parameter = 4, p-value = 0.01
```

```
print('2nd Order Differencing')
```

```
## [1] "2nd Order Differencing"
```

```
tseries::kpss.test(usgdp_train.d2)
```

```
##
## KPSS Test for Level Stationarity
##
## data: usgdp_train.d2
## KPSS Level = 0.0116, Truncation lag parameter = 4, p-value = 0.1
```

Based on the KPSS test, 1st Order Differencing p-value = 0.01, which is less than 0.05 and 2nd Order Differencing p-value = 0.1, which is greater than 0.05. With 5% confidence level, we can conclude that the null hypothesis (H_0), data is stationary should be rejected for 1st Order Differencing and H_0 should be accepted for 2nd Order Differencing. 2nd order differencing results in a stationary dataset.

(5 points) Question 4:

Fit a suitable ARIMA model to the training dataset using the `auto.arima()` function. Remember to transform the data first if necessary. Report the resulting p, d, q and the coefficients values

```
# There does not appear to be a seasonal pattern, so we fit the best model without seasonality
(fit<-auto.arima(usgdp_train,seasonal = F))
```

```
## Series: usgdp_train
## ARIMA(2,2,2)
##
## Coefficients:
##          ar1      ar2      ma1      ma2
##      -0.1138  0.3059 -0.5829 -0.3710
## s.e.   0.2849  0.0895  0.2971  0.2844
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 1591: log likelihood=-1178.16
## AIC=2366.32  AICc=2366.59  BIC=2383.53
```

$p=2$, $d=2$ and $q=2$. We see that order of differencing is 2 which is consistent with our conclusion in Q3. $\phi_1 = -0.1138$, $\phi_2 = 0.3059$, $\theta_1 = -0.5829$, $\theta_2 = -0.3710$ and $c=0$.

The model equation is:

$$(1 - (-0.1138)B - (0.3059)B^2)(1 - B)^2 y_t = 0 + (1 + (-0.5829)B + (-0.3710)B^2)\epsilon_t$$

(5 points) Question 5:

Compute the sample Extended ACF (EACF) and use the `Arima()` function to try some other plausible models by experimenting with the orders chosen. Limit your models to $q \leq 2$, $p \leq 2$ and $d \leq 2$. Use the `model.summary()` function to compare the Corrected Akaike information criterion (i.e., AICc) values (Note: Smaller values indicated better models).

```
TSA::eacf(usgdp_train.d2)
```

```
## Registered S3 methods overwritten by 'TSA':
```

```
##   method      from
##   fitted.Arima forecast
##   plot.Arima   forecast
```

```
## AR/MA
```

```
##   0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
## 0 x o x o o o o x x o o x o o
## 1 x x o o o o o x x o o x o o
## 2 x x x o o o o o o o x o o
## 3 x x o o o o o o o o x o o
## 4 x x o o o o o o o o x o o
## 5 x x x o o o o x o o o x o o
## 6 x o x x x o x x o o o x o o
## 7 o x x x x o x o o o o x o o
```

```
(fit1<-Arima(usgdp_train,order=c(0,2,1)))
```

```
## Series: usgdp_train
```

```
## ARIMA(0,2,1)
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##           ma1
```

```
##          -0.7006
```

```
## s.e.    0.0770
```

```
##
```

```
## sigma^2 estimated as 1741: log likelihood=-1189.49
```

```
## AIC=2382.98 AICc=2383.03 BIC=2389.86
```

```
(fit2<-Arima(usgdp_train,order=c(1,2,2)))
```

```
## Series: usgdp_train
```

```
## ARIMA(1,2,2)
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##           ar1           ma1           ma2
```

```
##           0.6424    -1.3239    0.3441
```

```
## s.e.    0.1177    0.1344    0.1279
```

```
##
```

```
## sigma^2 estimated as 1614: log likelihood=-1180.33
```

```
## AIC=2368.66 AICc=2368.83 BIC=2382.42
```

```
fit
```

```
## Series: usgdp_train
```

```
## ARIMA(2,2,2)
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##           ar1           ar2           ma1           ma2
```



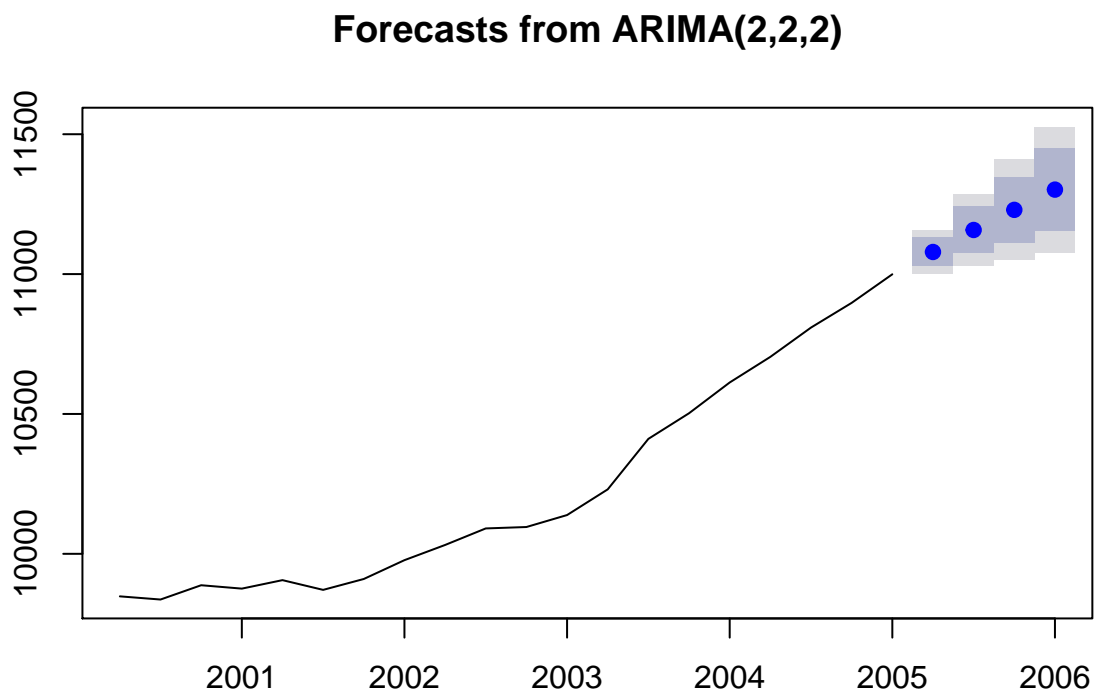
```
##      -0.1138  0.3059  -0.5829  -0.3710
## s.e.   0.2849  0.0895   0.2971   0.2844
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 1591:  log likelihood=-1178.16
## AIC=2366.32  AICc=2366.59  BIC=2383.53
```

The EACF of 2nd order differencing data suggests that ARIMA(0,2,1) and ARIMA(1,2,2) are also significant. Comparing these two model with the best model auto.aroma selected, ARIMA(2,2,2), we can see that ARIMA(2,2,2) has the smallest AICc, hence, ARIMA(2,2,2) is the best model.

(5 points) Question 6:

Use the model chosen in Question 4 to forecast and plot the GDP forecasts with 80 and 95% confidence levels for 2005Q2 - 2006Q1 (Test Period).

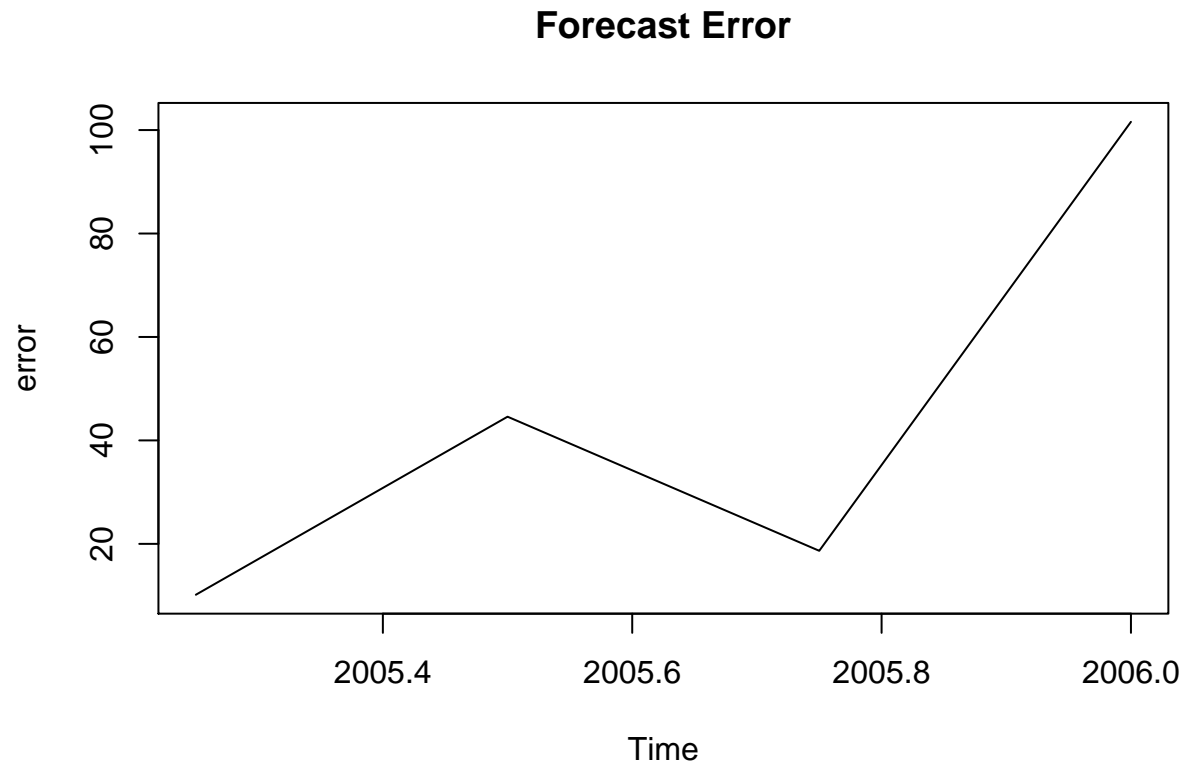
```
plot(forecast(fit,h=4),include=20)
```



(5 points) Question 7:

Compare your forecasts with the actual values using error = actual - estimate and plot the errors. (Note: Use the forecast \$mean element for the forecast estimate)

```
error<- usgdp_test-forecast(fit.unchanged,h=4)$mean
plot(error, main='Forecast Error')
```



(5 points) Question 8:

Calculate the sum of squared error.

```
sse<-sum(error**2)
cat('Forecast SSE of ARIMA(2,2,2) is', sse,'\n')
```

```
## Forecast SSE of ARIMA(2,2,2) is 12759.38
```