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- This chapter looks at additional exploratory features of a time series.
- The features() function, similar to summary(), is useful to calculate ...
 - Means & quantiles
 - Minimum and maximum
- The feat_acf() calculates various types of autocorrelation functions, such as ...
 - $ACF(j) = \frac{(1/T) \sum_{t=j+1}^T (y_t - \bar{y})(y_{t-j} - \bar{y})}{var(y_t)}$ where $-1 \leq ACF(j) \leq 1$ for $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
 - Sum of first 10 autocorrelations (i.e., ACFs)
 - Autocorrelations for differenced and seasonal differenced data



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➤ Features of STL decompositions

- Recall, for the additive decomposition: $y_t = T_t + S_t + R_t$
- The `feat_stl()` function will calculate useful measures such as ...
 - $F_T = \max\left(0, 1 - \frac{\text{var}(R_t)}{\text{Var}(T_t + R_t)}\right)$
 - $F_S = \max\left(0, 1 - \frac{\text{var}(R_t)}{\text{Var}(S_t + R_t)}\right)$
 - Spikiness, linearity, and curvature measures

➤ The “feasts” package will calculate a vector of other useful time series features (e.g., ...

- `bp_stat` & `lb_stat` (white noise statistic)
- partial autocorrelations
- `n_crossing_points` and `n_flat_spots`

