



TIME SERIES ANALYSIS FOR ENERGY DATA

M8 - Model Diagnostics, Selection and Performance

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Learning Goals



- Forecast fit vs forecast error
- Model Selection
 - Residual Analysis
 - AIC, AICc and BIC
- Performance measures
 - MAD, MSE, MAPE

Forecast fit vs forecast error

- Forecast fit
 - ▣ Backward-looking assessment
 - ▣ Residual Analysis: describes the difference between actual historical data and the **fitted values** generated by a statistical model
 - ▣ How well the model represents historical data
 - ▣ Help choose the model that will be further used to forecast unobserved values (Model Selection/Diagnostics)
- Forecast error
 - ▣ Forward-looking assessment
 - ▣ Difference between actual and **forecasted values**



Model Selection/Diagnostics

Model Selection

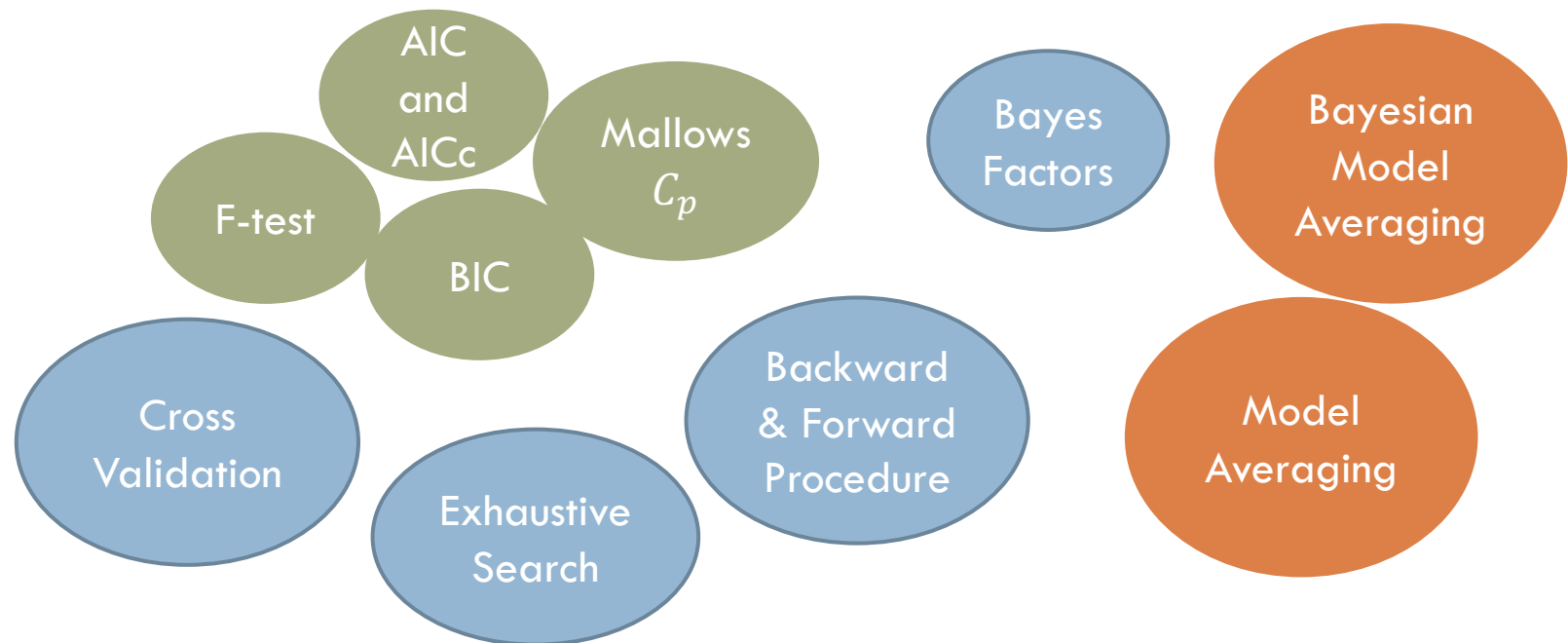


“Unsolved” problem in statistics: there are no magic procedures to get you the “best model” (Kadane and Lazar)

- With a limited number of predictors, it is possible to search all possible models
- But when we have many predictors, it can be difficult to find a good model (many possibilities)
- How do we select models?
 - ▣ We need a criteria or benchmark to compare two models
 - ▣ We need a search strategy

Model Selection Criteria

- Some popular and well-known methods



- Some criteria work well for some types of data, others for different data

Model Selection Criteria (cont'd)

- We will focus on the ones that R prints after fitting an ARIMA model

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1 auto.arima(deseasonal_cnt, seasonal=FALSE)
2
3 Series: deseasonal_cnt
4 ARIMA(1,1,1)
5
6 Coefficients:
7           ar1      ma1
8      0.5510 -0.2496
9 s.e. 0.0751 0.0849
10
11 sigma^2 estimated as 26180: log likelihood=-4708.91
12 AIC=9423.82 AICc=9423.85 BIC=9437.57
```


- And the residual analysis

Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)

- Estimator of the **quality of statistical models**
- Select the model with **lowest AIC**
- Let k be the number of estimated parameters and \hat{L} be the maximum value of the likelihood function

$$AIC = 2k - 2\ln(\hat{L})$$

Penalty for increasing
number of parameters



Reward based on
the likelihood

- Trade-off between the **goodness of fit** and the **simplicity** of the model
- The AICc is used when sample size (n) is small

$$AICc = AIC + \frac{2k^2 + 2k}{n - k - 1}$$

Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

- Closely Related to AIC
- Also an estimator of **quality of model**
- Select the model with **lowest BIC**
- Let k be the number of estimated parameters, \hat{L} be the maximum value of the likelihood function and n the number of observations (sample size)

$$BIC = k * \ln(n) - 2\ln(\hat{L})$$

- Sample size should be much larger than number of parameters

Recall Electricity Prices Example

Series: deseasonal_price

ARIMA(1,1,0)

Coefficients:

ar1

-0.0311

s.e. 0.0707

sigma² estimated as 0.007868: log likelihood=203.22

AIC=-402.43 AICc=-402.37 BIC=-395.82

Series: deseasonal_price

ARIMA(2,1,0)

Coefficients:

ar1 ar2

-0.0288 0.0755

s.e. 0.0705 0.0710

sigma² estimated as 0.007863: log likelihood=203.78

AIC=-401.56 AICc=-401.44 BIC=-391.64

Series: deseasonal_price

ARIMA(2,1,2) with drift

Coefficients:

ar1 ar2 ma1 ma2 drift

0.5275 -0.7416 -0.5714 0.9283 0.0184

s.e. 0.1039 0.0782 0.0680 0.0479 0.0066

sigma² estimated as 0.007162: log likelihood=214.3

AIC=-416.59 AICc=-416.16 BIC=-396.74

Recall Electricity Prices Example

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Series: price  
ARIMA(1,1,1)(1,1,0)[12]  
  
Coefficients:  
      ar1      ma1      sar1  
      0.6735 -0.6051 -0.4545  
s.e.  0.3308  0.3540  0.0640  
  
sigma^2 estimated as 0.008488: log likelihood=183.63  
AIC=-359.25  AICc=-359.04  BIC=-346.26
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```
Series: price  
ARIMA(0,1,0)(0,1,1)[12]  
  
Coefficients:  
      sma1  
      -0.6371  
s.e.  0.0615  
  
sigma^2 estimated as 0.007602: log likelihood=191.35  
AIC=-378.71  AICc=-378.64  BIC=-372.21
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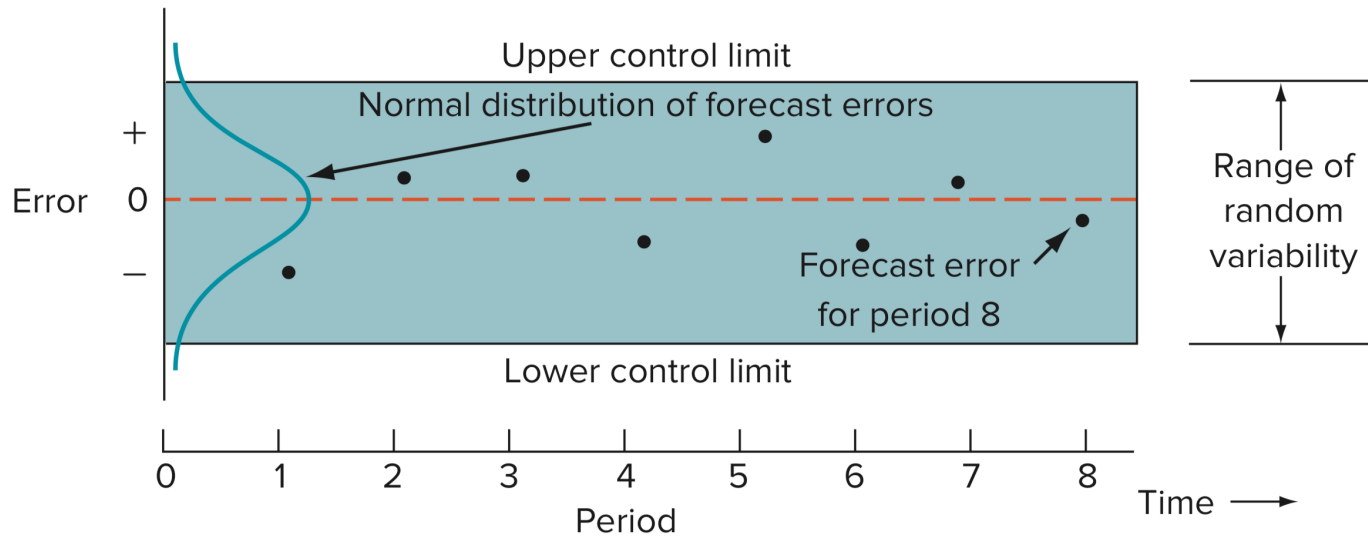
Residual Analysis

Monitoring the Forecast

- **Tracking forecast errors** and analyzing them can provide useful insight into whether forecasts are performing satisfactorily
- **Sources of forecast errors**
 - ▣ The model may be inadequate
 - ▣ Irregular variations may have occurred
 - ▣ The forecasting technique has been incorrectly applied
 - ▣ Random variation
- **Residual analysis are useful for identifying the presence of non-random error in forecasts**

Residuals Analysis

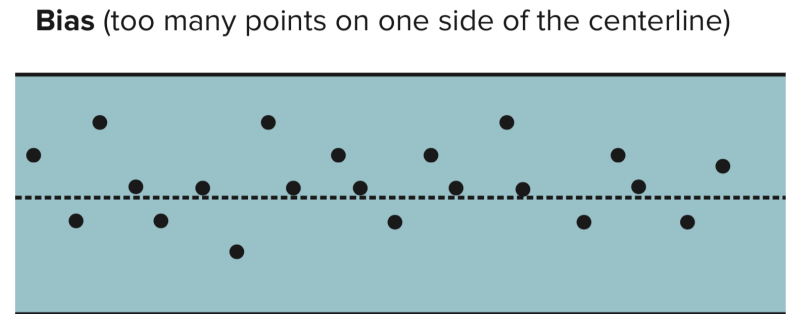
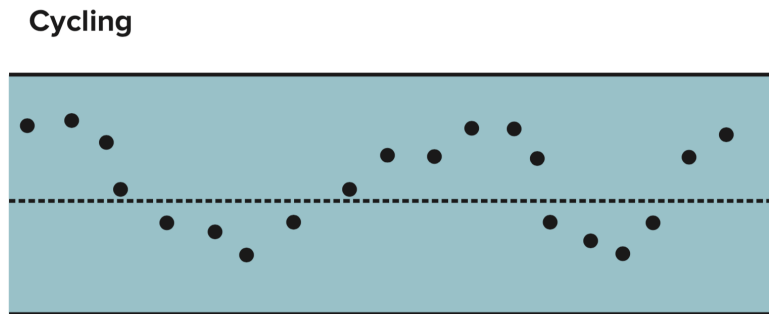
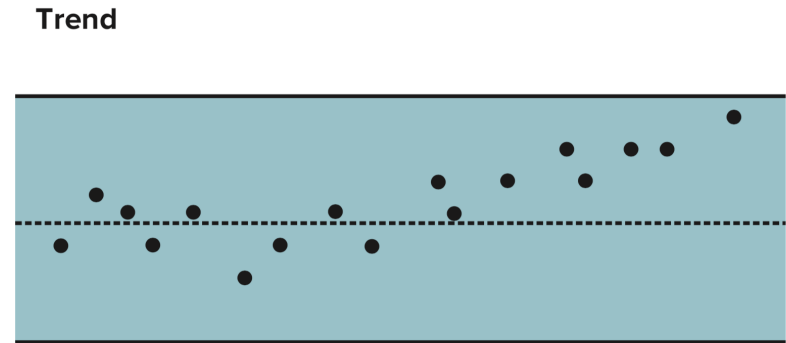
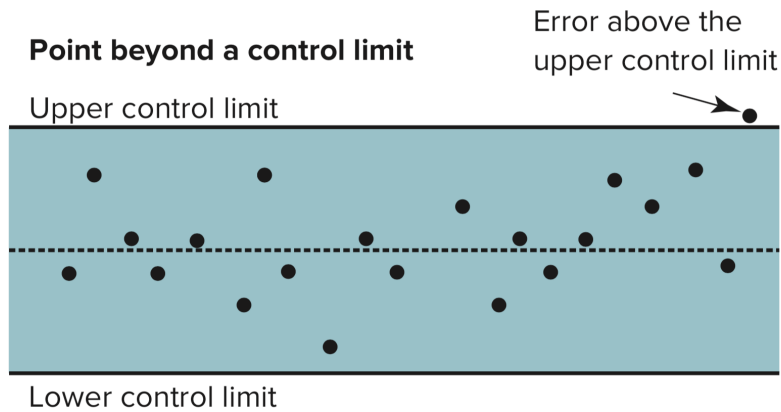
- Errors are plotted on a chart in the order that they occur



- Forecasts are in control when:
 - All errors within control limits
 - No patterns are present (e.g. seasonality, cycles, non-centered data)

Examples of Nonrandomness

FIGURE 3.12 Examples of nonrandomness



Constructing a Control Chart

- Compute the mean square error (MSE)
- The **square root of the MSE** is used in practice as an estimate of the **standard deviation** of the distribution of errors $\longrightarrow s = \sqrt{\text{MSE}}$
- **Errors are random**, therefore, they will be distributed according to a **normal distribution** around a mean of zero
- For a normal distribution:
 - ▣ +/- 95.5 % of the values (errors in this case) can be expected to fall within limits of $0 \pm 2S$ (i.e., 0 ± 2 standard deviations)
 - ▣ +/- 99.7 % of the values can be expected to fall within $\pm 3s$ of zero
- Compute the limits as: \longrightarrow
 - UCL: $0 + z\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$
 - LCL: $0 - z\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$

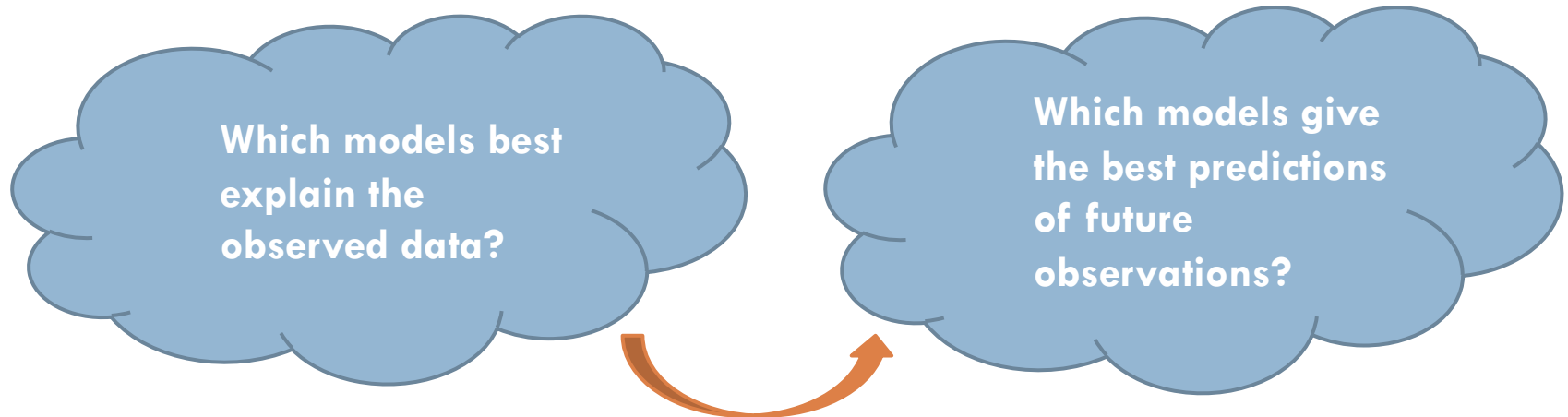
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Number of standard deviations




Model Evaluation/Performance

Model Performance

- ***Keep in mind that these criteria are not measures of predictive power, they just represent how good the model fit the observed data***
- It's possible to look at the predictions from the various models
- In this case we shift the question



Model Performance (cc'ed)

- Model Performance measures the **forecast accuracy**
- Forecasters want to **minimize forecast errors**
 - ▣ It is nearly **impossible to correctly forecast real-world variable** values on a regular basis
 - ▣ So, it is important to **provide an indication of the extent to which the forecast might deviate** from the value of the variable that actually occurs
- **Forecast accuracy** should be an important forecasting technique selection criterion
 - ▣ Error = Actual – Forecast
 - ▣  **Observed value**
 - ▣ If errors fall beyond acceptable bounds, corrective action may be necessary

Common Performance Measures

- Mean Error (ME)
- **Mean Squared Error (MSE)**
- **Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)** or Standard Error (SE)
- Coefficient of Determination or R-Squared (R^2)
- **Mean Absolute Deviation (MAD)** or Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
- **Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE)**

Forecast Accuracy Metrics

Mean-absolute Deviation

$$MAD = \frac{\sum |Actual_t - Forecast_t|}{n}$$

MAD weights all errors evenly

Mean-squared Error

$$MSE = \frac{\sum (Actual_t - Forecast_t)^2}{n}$$

MSE weights errors according to their squared values

Mean-absolute Percent Error

$$MAPE = \frac{\sum \frac{|Actual_t - Forecast_t|}{Actual_t} \times 100}{n}$$

MAPE weights errors according to relative error

Forecast Error Calculation

Period	Actual (A)	Forecast (F)	(A-F) Error	Error	Error ²	[Error /Actual]x100
1	107	110	-3	3	9	2.80%
2	125	121	4	4	16	3.20%
3	115	112	3	3	9	2.61%
4	118	120	-2	2	4	1.69%
5	108	109	1	1	1	0.93%
Sum				13	39	11.23%
				<i>n = 5</i>	<i>n = 5</i>	<i>n = 5</i>
				MAD	MSE	MAPE
				= 2.6	= 7.8	= 2.25%



THANK YOU !

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