

Updated Documentation for BMW and Mercedes-Benz Car Specifications Forecast using Facebook Prophet (Nonlinear Regression)

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Introduction

This document offers comprehensive documentation for extending the findings of the article by Ilya Yuskevich, Ksenia Smirnova, Rob Vingerhoeds, and Alessandro Golkar, titled "Model-based approaches for technology planning and roadmapping: Technology forecasting and game-theoretic modelling". It encompasses an overview of the methodology, code snippets, and detailed explanations to ensure reproducibility and understanding. While the article employs Pareto frontier estimation to forecast car specifications, this document aims to utilize nonlinear regression to develop models of various figures of merit directly, which will then be combined to forecast these car specifications.

Data Gathering

This section provides an overview of the data gathering and cleaning process. The dataset used for this project is the Car Specification Dataset from 1945 to 2020, which can be found on Kaggle:

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/jahaidulislam/car-specification-dataset-1945-2020>

Due to the comprehensive nature of this dataset, it provides a broad range of information encompassing car models from various manufacturers over several decades.

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Loading and Preparing the Dataset

In this section, we load the dataset, select the necessary columns, clean the data, and prepare it for model training.

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from prophet import Prophet
5 import pickle
6
7 # Variables
8 file_path = 'CompleteDataset.csv' # data source
9 future_year = 2050 # cutoff year for forecasts
10 cap_value = 2300 # cap value, adjust as needed
11 seasonality_prior_scale = 3 # seasonality prior scale, adjust as
   needed
12 saturation_min = 50 # saturation minimum, adjust as needed
13 uncertainty_interval = 0.9 # uncertainty interval, adjust as
   needed
14 threshold = 0.05 # Threshold for printing out the car
   specification of outliers (outside of the uncertainty interval)
15 partial_year_cut = 2010 # Variable to choose which year the
   partial dataset can be cut
16
17 # Load the dataset
18 df = pd.read_csv(file_path, low_memory=False)
19
20 # Inspect column names to ensure they match expected names
21 print("Column names in the dataset:", df.columns.tolist())
22
23 # Selecting necessary columns based on actual column names in the
   dataset
24 necessary_columns = [
25     'Make', 'Modle', 'Year_from', 'engine_hp', 'curb_weight_kg', '
       full_weight_kg',
26     'mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l', 'acceleration_0_100_kmh_s'
27 ]
28
29 # Check if all necessary columns are present
30 missing_columns = [col for col in necessary_columns if col not in
   df.columns]
31 if (missing_columns):
32     raise KeyError(f"Missing columns in the dataset: {
       missing_columns}")
33
34 df = df[necessary_columns]
35
36 # Renaming columns to match the filtered dataset
37 df.rename(columns={
38     'Modle': 'Model',
39     'curb_weight_kg': 'Curb_Weight_kg',
40     'full_weight_kg': 'Max_Weight_kg',
41     'mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l': '
       fuel_efficiency_100_kmh_per_l',
42     'acceleration_0_100_kmh_s': 'Acceleration_0_100_kmh_s',
43     'engine_hp': 'Horsepower'
44 }, inplace=True)
45
46 # Cleaning up the data
47 df = df.dropna()

```

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48 df = df[df['Make'].isin(['BMW', 'Mercedes-Benz'])]
```

We begin by importing the necessary libraries and defining the variables used in the analysis. The dataset is loaded from a CSV file, and the column names are checked to ensure they match the expected names. We then select the necessary columns, rename them for consistency, and clean the data by removing any missing values and filtering for BMW and Mercedes-Benz cars only.

Extracting Maximum Horsepower Data

In this section, we extract the maximum horsepower data for each year for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz and prepare it for the Prophet model.

```
1 # Extracting the maximum horsepower for each year for BMW and
  Mercedes-Benz
2 bmw_df = df[df['Make'] == 'BMW']
3 mercedes_df = df[df['Make'] == 'Mercedes-Benz']
4
5 # Creating a single 'Year_Released' column using 'Year_from'
6 bmw_df['Year_Released'] = bmw_df['Year_from']
7 mercedes_df['Year_Released'] = mercedes_df['Year_from']
8
9 bmw_max_hp = bmw_df.groupby('Year_Released')['Horsepower'].max().
  reset_index()
10 mercedes_max_hp = mercedes_df.groupby('Year_Released')['Horsepower']
  .max().reset_index()
11
12 # Renaming columns to fit Prophet's expected input
13 bmw_max_hp.columns = ['ds', 'y']
14 mercedes_max_hp.columns = ['ds', 'y']
15
16 # Convert 'ds' to datetime format
17 bmw_max_hp['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(bmw_max_hp['ds'], format='%Y')
18 mercedes_max_hp['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(mercedes_max_hp['ds'],
  format='%Y')
19
20 # Set cap for logistic growth
21 bmw_max_hp['cap'] = cap_value
22 mercedes_max_hp['cap'] = cap_value
23
24 # Filter data until 2017
25 bmw_max_hp = bmw_max_hp[bmw_max_hp['ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
26 mercedes_max_hp = mercedes_max_hp[mercedes_max_hp['ds'] <= '
  2017-12-31']
27
28 # Adding a custom regressor to enforce an increasing trend
29 bmw_max_hp['time_trend'] = (bmw_max_hp['ds'] - bmw_max_hp['ds'].min
  ()) .dt.days
30 mercedes_max_hp['time_trend'] = (mercedes_max_hp['ds'] -
  mercedes_max_hp['ds'].min()) .dt.days
```

We extract the maximum horsepower for each year for BMW and Mercedes-Benz. The data is grouped by the release year, and the maximum horsepower values are computed. The columns are then renamed to fit Prophet's expected

input format, and the dates are converted to datetime format. A cap value is set for logistic growth, and data is filtered until 2017. Additionally, a custom regressor is added to enforce an increasing trend.

Training the Prophet Models

In this section, we train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz with the additional time trend regressor.

```
1 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for BMW
2 bmw_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale=
   seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
3 bmw_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
4 bmw_model.fit(bmw_max_hp)
5
6 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for
   Mercedes-Benz
7 mercedes_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale
   =seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
8 mercedes_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
9 mercedes_model.fit(mercedes_max_hp)
10
11 # Save the models
12 with open('Models/bmw_model_HP.pkl', 'wb') as f:
13     pickle.dump(bmw_model, f)
14
15 with open('Models/mercedes_model_HP.pkl', 'wb') as f:
16     pickle.dump(mercedes_model, f)
```

We train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using the data prepared in the previous steps. The models are trained with a logistic growth model and an additional time trend regressor. The trained models are then saved for future use.

Making Future Predictions

In this section, we make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year using the trained Prophet models.

```
1 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for BMW
2 future_bmw = bmw_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=future_year -
   bmw_max_hp['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
3 future_bmw['time_trend'] = (future_bmw['ds'] - bmw_max_hp['ds'].min
   ()).dt.days
4 future_bmw['cap'] = cap_value
5
6 bmw_forecast = bmw_model.predict(future_bmw)
7
8 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for
   Mercedes-Benz
9 future_mercedes = mercedes_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=
   future_year - mercedes_max_hp['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
10 future_mercedes['time_trend'] = (future_mercedes['ds'] -
   mercedes_max_hp['ds'].min()).dt.days
11 future_mercedes['cap'] = cap_value
```

```

12 mercedes_forecast = mercedes_model.predict(future_mercedes)
13

```

We use the trained Prophet models to make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the specified future year. The future dataframes are created with the additional time trend regressor and the cap value.

Visualizing the Forecasts

In this section, we visualize the forecasted maximum horsepower for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year.

```

1 # Plotting the forecasts
2 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
3
4 # Plot BMW
5 plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
6 plt.plot(bmw_max_hp['ds'], bmw_max_hp['y'], 'o', label='Observed
   BMW Max HP')
7 plt.plot(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat'], label='
   Forecasted BMW Max HP')
8 plt.fill_between(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'],
   bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
9 plt.title(f'BMW Maximum Horsepower Forecast until {future_year}')
10 plt.xlabel('Year')
11 plt.ylabel('Horsepower')
12 plt.legend()
13
14 # Plot Mercedes-Benz
15 plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
16 plt.plot(mercedes_max_hp['ds'], mercedes_max_hp['y'], 'o', label='
   Observed Mercedes-Benz Max HP')
17 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['yhat'], label='
   Forecasted Mercedes-Benz Max HP')
18 plt.fill_between(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['
   yhat_lower'], mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
19 plt.title(f'Mercedes-Benz Maximum Horsepower Forecast until {
   future_year}')
20 plt.xlabel('Year')
21 plt.ylabel('Horsepower')
22 plt.legend()
23
24 plt.tight_layout()
25 plt.show()

```

We visualize the forecasted maximum horsepower values for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using Matplotlib. The plots show the observed and forecasted values along with the uncertainty intervals.

Results

Horsepower Forecasting Results

The following results display the observed and forecasted maximum horsepower for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until 2050. Additionally, the normalized error rates between the partial and full datasets, as well as the error rates between actual and model predictions from 1980 to 2017, are presented.

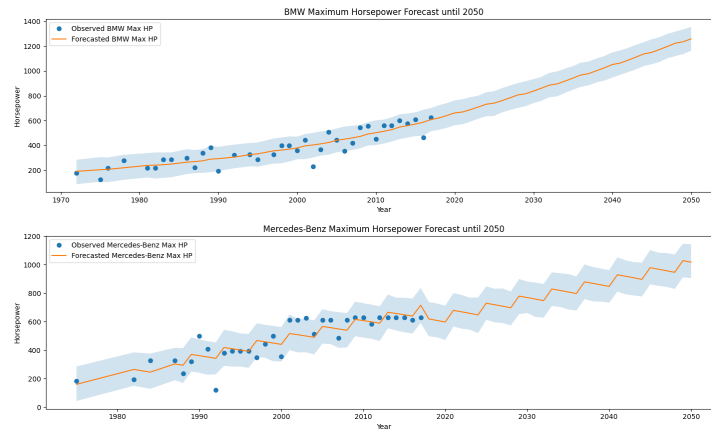


Figure 1: Observed and Forecasted Maximum Horsepower for BMW until 2050

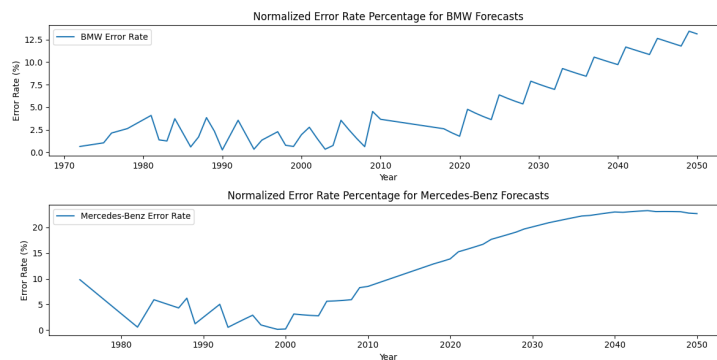


Figure 2: Observed and Forecasted Maximum Horsepower for Mercedes-Benz until 2050

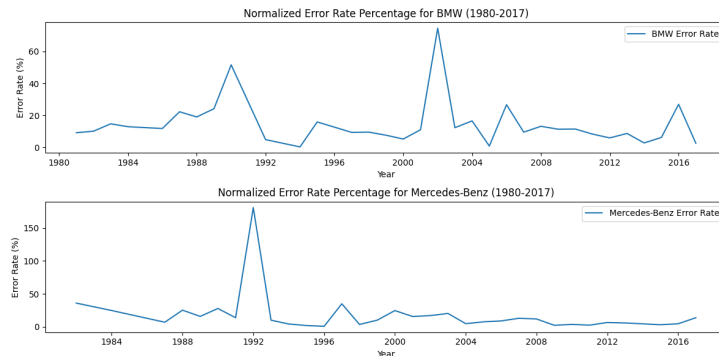


Figure 3: Normalized Error Rates for BMW and Mercedes-Benz Forecasts

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate normalized error rate percentage
2 bmw_forecast_merged = bmw_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    bmw_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
3 bmw_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
    bmw_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) / bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
4
5 mercedes_forecast_merged = mercedes_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    mercedes_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
6 mercedes_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
    mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) /
    mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
7
8 # Calculate overall average error rate
9 combined_error = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']],
    mercedes_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']]])
10 overall_average_error_rate = combined_error['error'].mean()
11
12 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full): {
    overall_average_error_rate:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate and plot normalized error percentage between actual and
    model predictions (1980-2017)
2
3 # Filter actual data for years 1980-2017
4 bmw_max_hp_1980_2017 = bmw_max_hp[(bmw_max_hp['ds'] >= '1980-01-01'
    ) & (bmw_max_hp['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
5 mercedes_max_hp_1980_2017 = mercedes_max_hp[(mercedes_max_hp['ds']
    >= '1980-01-01') & (mercedes_max_hp['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
6
7 # Make predictions for these years
8 bmw_max_hp_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
9 mercedes_max_hp_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value

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10
11 bmw_forecast_1980_2017 = bmw_model.predict(bmw_max_hp_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap']])
12 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017 = mercedes_model.predict(
    mercedes_max_hp_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap']])
13
14 # Calculate normalized error percentage
15 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = bmw_max_hp_1980_2017['y'].values
16 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat']
    ] - bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) / bmw_forecast_1980_2017['
    'actual'] * 100
17
18 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = mercedes_max_hp_1980_2017['
    y'].values
19 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] -
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) /
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] * 100
20
21 # Calculate overall average error rate
22 combined_error_1980_2017 = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_1980_2017[['ds',
    'error']], mercedes_forecast_1980_2017[['ds', 'error']]])
23 overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017 = combined_error_1980_2017['
    error'].mean()
24
25 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model): {
    overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) of 8.91% represents the back-testing result where the model trained on data until 2010 was compared to the full data prediction. This backtesting period spans from 2010 to 2017, covering 7 years. The error rate indicates how well the model's predictions match the actual observed data for these years.

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) of 15.78% measures the discrepancy between the actual observed horsepower values and the model's predictions for the period from 1980 to 2017.

Acceleration Forecasting using Facebook Prophet

Loading and Preparing the Dataset

In this section, we load the dataset, select the necessary columns, clean the data, and prepare it for model training.

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from prophet import Prophet
5 import os
6 import pickle
7
8 # Variables
9 file_path = 'CompleteDataset.csv'
10 future_year = 2050

```



```

11 cap_value = 20 # Example cap value, adjust as needed
12 seasonality_prior_scale = 5 # Example seasonality prior scale,
   adjust as needed
13 saturation_min = 2 # Example saturation minimum, adjust as needed
14 uncertainty_interval = 0.8 # Example uncertainty interval, adjust
   as needed
15 threshold = 0.05 # Threshold for printing out the car
   specifications of outliers (outside of the uncertainty interval
   )
16 partial_year_cut = 2010 # Variable to choose which year the
   partial dataset can be cut
17
18 # Load the dataset
19 df = pd.read_csv(file_path, low_memory=False)
20
21 # Inspect column names to ensure they match expected names
22 print("Column names in the dataset:", df.columns.tolist())
23
24 # Selecting necessary columns based on actual column names in the
   dataset
25 necessary_columns = [
26     'Make', 'Modle', 'Year_from', 'acceleration_0_100_kmh_s'
27 ]
28 df = df[necessary_columns]
29
30 # Renaming columns to match the filtered dataset
31 df.rename(columns={
32     'Modle': 'Model',
33     'acceleration_0_100_kmh_s': 'Acceleration_0_100_kmh_s'
34 }, inplace=True)
35
36 # Cleaning up the data
37 df = df.dropna()
38 df = df[df['Make'].isin(['BMW', 'Mercedes-Benz'])]

```

We begin by importing the necessary libraries and defining the variables used in the analysis. The dataset is loaded from a CSV file, and the column names are checked to ensure they match the expected names. We then select the necessary columns, rename them for consistency, and clean the data by removing any missing values and filtering for BMW and Mercedes-Benz cars only.

Extracting Minimum Acceleration Data

In this section, we extract the minimum acceleration data for each year for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz and prepare it for the Prophet model.

```

1 # Extracting the minimum acceleration for each year for BMW and
   Mercedes-Benz
2 bmw_df = df[df['Make'] == 'BMW']
3 mercedes_df = df[df['Make'] == 'Mercedes-Benz']
4
5 # Creating a single 'Year_Released' column using 'Year_from'
6 bmw_df['Year_Released'] = bmw_df['Year_from']
7 mercedes_df['Year_Released'] = mercedes_df['Year_from']
8

```

```

9  bmw_min_acceleration = bmw_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
    Acceleration_0_100_km_h_s'].min().reset_index()
10 mercedes_min_acceleration = mercedes_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
    Acceleration_0_100_km_h_s'].min().reset_index()
11
12 # Renaming columns to fit Prophet's expected input
13 bmw_min_acceleration.columns = ['ds', 'y']
14 mercedes_min_acceleration.columns = ['ds', 'y']
15
16 # Convert 'ds' to datetime format
17 bmw_min_acceleration['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(bmw_min_acceleration['
    ds'], format='%Y')
18 mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'], format='%Y')
19
20 # Set cap and floor for logistic growth
21 bmw_min_acceleration['cap'] = cap_value
22 bmw_min_acceleration['floor'] = saturation_min
23 mercedes_min_acceleration['cap'] = cap_value
24 mercedes_min_acceleration['floor'] = saturation_min
25
26 # Filter data until 2017
27 bmw_min_acceleration = bmw_min_acceleration[bmw_min_acceleration['
    ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
28 mercedes_min_acceleration = mercedes_min_acceleration[
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
29
30 # Adding a custom regressor to enforce a decreasing trend (lower
    acceleration time is better)
31 bmw_min_acceleration['time_trend'] = (bmw_min_acceleration['ds'] -
    bmw_min_acceleration['ds'].min()).dt.days
32 mercedes_min_acceleration['time_trend'] = (
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'] - mercedes_min_acceleration['ds
    '].min()).dt.days

```

We extract the minimum acceleration for each year for BMW and Mercedes-Benz. The data is grouped by the release year, and the minimum acceleration values are computed. The columns are then renamed to fit Prophet's expected input format, and the dates are converted to datetime format. Cap and floor values are set for logistic growth, and data is filtered until 2017. Additionally, a custom regressor is added to enforce a decreasing trend.

Training the Prophet Models

In this section, we train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz with the additional time trend regressor.

```

1  # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for BMW
2  bmw_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale=
    seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
3  bmw_model.add_regressor('time_trend', standardize=True)
4  bmw_model.fit(bmw_min_acceleration)
5
6  # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for
    Mercedes-Benz

```

```

7 mercedes_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale
    =seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
8 mercedes_model.add_regressor('time_trend', standardize=True)
9 mercedes_model.fit(mercedes_min_acceleration)
10
11 # Ensure the Models folder exists
12 os.makedirs('Models', exist_ok=True)
13
14 # Save the models
15 with open('Models/bmw_model_acceleration.pkl', 'wb') as f:
16     pickle.dump(bmw_model, f)
17
18 with open('Models/mercedes_model_acceleration.pkl', 'wb') as f:
19     pickle.dump(mercedes_model, f)

```

We train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using the data prepared in the previous steps. The models are trained with a logistic growth model and an additional time trend regressor. The trained models are then saved for future use.

Making Future Predictions

In this section, we make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year using the trained Prophet models.

```

1 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for BMW
2 future_bmw = bmw_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=future_year -
    bmw_min_acceleration['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
3 future_bmw['time_trend'] = (future_bmw['ds'] - bmw_min_acceleration
    ['ds'].min()).dt.days
4 future_bmw['cap'] = cap_value
5 future_bmw['floor'] = saturation_min
6
7 bmw_forecast = bmw_model.predict(future_bmw)
8
9 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for
    Mercedes-Benz
10 future_mercedes = mercedes_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=
    future_year - mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'].max().year, freq=
    'Y')
11 future_mercedes['time_trend'] = (future_mercedes['ds'] -
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'].min()).dt.days
12 future_mercedes['cap'] = cap_value
13 future_mercedes['floor'] = saturation_min
14
15 mercedes_forecast = mercedes_model.predict(future_mercedes)

```

We use the trained Prophet models to make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the specified future year. The future dataframes are created with the additional time trend regressor and the cap and floor values.

Visualizing the Forecasts

In this section, we visualize the forecasted minimum acceleration for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year.

```

1 # Plotting the forecasts
2 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
3
4 # Plot BMW
5 plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
6 plt.plot(bmw_min_acceleration['ds'], bmw_min_acceleration['y'], 'o',
7          label='Observed BMW Min Acceleration')
8 plt.plot(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat'], label='
9          Forecasted BMW Min Acceleration')
10 plt.fill_between(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'],
11                 bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
12 plt.title(f'BMW Minimum Acceleration Forecast until {future_year}')
13 plt.xlabel('Year')
14 plt.ylabel('Acceleration (0-100 km/h in seconds)')
15 plt.legend()
16
17 # Plot Mercedes-Benz
18 plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
19 plt.plot(mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'], mercedes_min_acceleration
20          ['y'], 'o', label='Observed Mercedes-Benz Min Acceleration')
21 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['yhat'], label='
22          Forecasted Mercedes-Benz Min Acceleration')
23 plt.fill_between(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['
24          yhat_lower'], mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
25 plt.title(f'Mercedes-Benz Minimum Acceleration Forecast until {
26          future_year}')
27 plt.xlabel('Year')
28 plt.ylabel('Acceleration (0-100 km/h in seconds)')
29 plt.legend()
30
31 plt.tight_layout()
32 plt.show()

```

We visualize the forecasted minimum acceleration values for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using Matplotlib. The plots show the observed and forecasted values along with the uncertainty intervals.

Results

Acceleration Forecasting Results

The following results display the observed and forecasted minimum acceleration for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until 2050. Additionally, the normalized error rates between the partial and full datasets, as well as the error rates between actual and model predictions from 1980 to 2017, are presented.

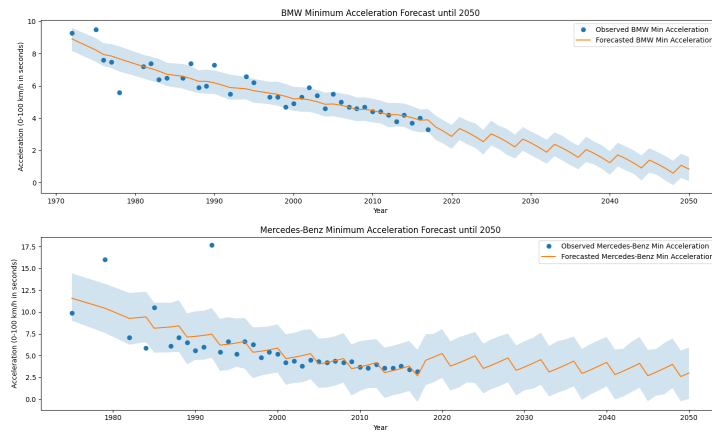


Figure 4: Observed and Forecasted Minimum Acceleration for BMW until 2050

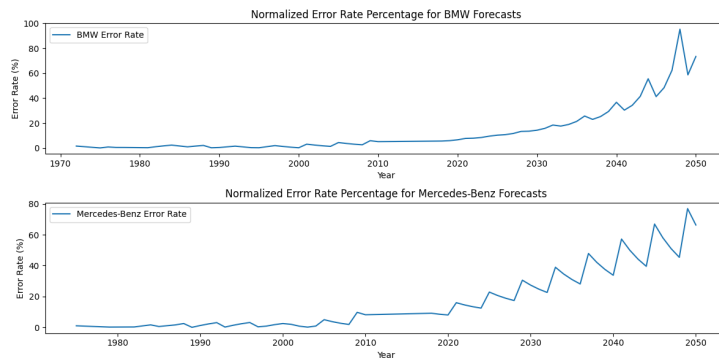


Figure 5: Observed and Forecasted Minimum Acceleration for Mercedes-Benz until 2050

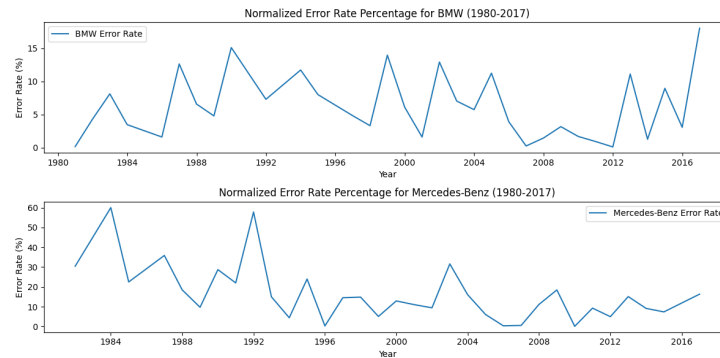


Figure 6: Normalized Error Rates for BMW and Mercedes-Benz Acceleration Forecasts

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate normalized error rate percentage
2 bmw_forecast_merged = bmw_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    bmw_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
3 bmw_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
    bmw_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) / bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
4
5 mercedes_forecast_merged = mercedes_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    mercedes_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
6 mercedes_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
    mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) / mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
7
8 # Calculate overall average error rate
9 combined_error = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']],
    mercedes_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']]])
10 overall_average_error_rate = combined_error['error'].mean()
11
12 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full): {
    overall_average_error_rate:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate and plot normalized error percentage between actual and
    model predictions (1980-2017)
2
3 # Filter actual data for years 1980-2017
4 bmw_min_acceleration_1980_2017 = bmw_min_acceleration[(
    bmw_min_acceleration['ds'] >= '1980-01-01') & (
    bmw_min_acceleration['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
5 mercedes_min_acceleration_1980_2017 = mercedes_min_acceleration[(
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'] >= '1980-01-01') & (
    mercedes_min_acceleration['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
6

```

```

7 # Make predictions for these years
8 bmw_min_acceleration_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
9 bmw_min_acceleration_1980_2017['floor'] = saturation_min
10 mercedes_min_acceleration_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
11 mercedes_min_acceleration_1980_2017['floor'] = saturation_min
12
13 bmw_forecast_1980_2017 = bmw_model.predict(
14     bmw_min_acceleration_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap', '
15         floor']])
16
17 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017 = mercedes_model.predict(
18     mercedes_min_acceleration_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap',
19         'floor']])
20
21 # Calculate normalized error percentage
22 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = bmw_min_acceleration_1980_2017['
23     y'].values
24
25 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'
26     ] - bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) / bmw_forecast_1980_2017[
27     'actual'] * 100
28
29 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] =
30     mercedes_min_acceleration_1980_2017['y'].values
31
32 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(
33     mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] -
34     mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) /
35     mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] * 100
36
37 # Calculate overall average error rate
38 combined_error_1980_2017 = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_1980_2017[['ds',
39     'error']], mercedes_forecast_1980_2017[['ds', 'error']]])
40
41 overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017 = combined_error_1980_2017['
42     error'].mean()
43
44 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model): {
45     overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) of 16.91% represents the backtesting result where the model trained on data until 2010 was compared to the full data prediction. This backtesting period spans from 2010 to 2017, covering 7 years. The error rate indicates how well the model's predictions match the actual observed data for these years.

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) of 11.34% measures the discrepancy between the actual observed acceleration values and the model's predictions for the period from 1980 to 2017.

Fuel Consumption Forecasting using Facebook Prophet

Loading and Preparing the Dataset

In this section, we load the dataset, select the necessary columns, clean the data, and prepare it for model training.

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np

```

```

3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from prophet import Prophet
5 import os
6 import pickle
7
8 # Variables
9 file_path = 'CompleteDataset.csv'
10 future_year = 2050
11 cap_value = 15 # Example cap value, adjust as needed
12 seasonality_prior_scale = 3.5 # Example seasonality prior scale,
    adjust as needed
13 saturation_min = 0.55 # Example saturation minimum, adjust as
    needed
14 uncertainty_interval = 0.8 # Example uncertainty interval, adjust
    as needed
15 threshold = 0.05 # Threshold for printing out the car
    specifications of outliers (outside of the uncertainty interval
    )
16 cutoff_year = 2010 # Control the cutoff year for the partial
    dataset
17
18 # Load the dataset
19 df = pd.read_csv(file_path, low_memory=False)
20
21 # Inspect column names to ensure they match expected names
22 print("Column names in the dataset:", df.columns.tolist())
23
24 # Selecting necessary columns based on actual column names in the
    dataset
25 necessary_columns = [
26     'Make', 'Modle', 'Year_from', '
        mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l'
27 ]
28 df = df[necessary_columns]
29
30 # Renaming columns to match the filtered dataset
31 df.rename(columns={
32     'Modle': 'Model',
33     'mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l': '
        Fuel_Consumption_100_km_l'
34 }, inplace=True)
35
36 # Cleaning up the data
37 df = df.dropna()
38 df = df[df['Make'].isin(['BMW', 'Mercedes-Benz'])]

```

We begin by importing the necessary libraries and defining the variables used in the analysis. The dataset is loaded from a CSV file, and the column names are checked to ensure they match the expected names. We then select the necessary columns, rename them for consistency, and clean the data by removing any missing values and filtering for BMW and Mercedes-Benz cars only.

Extracting Average Fuel Consumption Data

In this section, we extract the average fuel consumption data for each year for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz and prepare it for the Prophet model.

```
1 # Extracting the average fuel consumption for each year for BMW and
  Mercedes-Benz
2 bmw_df = df[df['Make'] == 'BMW']
3 mercedes_df = df[df['Make'] == 'Mercedes-Benz']
4
5 # Creating a single 'Year_Released' column using 'Year_from'
6 bmw_df['Year_Released'] = bmw_df['Year_from']
7 mercedes_df['Year_Released'] = mercedes_df['Year_from']
8
9 bmw_avg_fuel = bmw_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
  Fuel_Consumption_100_km_l'].mean().reset_index()
10 mercedes_avg_fuel = mercedes_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
  Fuel_Consumption_100_km_l'].mean().reset_index()
11
12 # Renaming columns to fit Prophet's expected input
13 bmw_avg_fuel.columns = ['ds', 'y']
14 mercedes_avg_fuel.columns = ['ds', 'y']
15
16 # Convert 'ds' to datetime format
17 bmw_avg_fuel['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(bmw_avg_fuel['ds'], format='%Y'
  )
18 mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'],
  format='%Y')
19
20 # Set cap and floor for logistic growth
21 bmw_avg_fuel['cap'] = cap_value
22 bmw_avg_fuel['floor'] = saturation_min
23 mercedes_avg_fuel['cap'] = cap_value
24 mercedes_avg_fuel['floor'] = saturation_min
25
26 # Filter data until 2017
27 bmw_avg_fuel = bmw_avg_fuel[bmw_avg_fuel['ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
28 mercedes_avg_fuel = mercedes_avg_fuel[mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'] <= '
  2017-12-31']
29
30 # Adding a custom regressor to enforce a trend
31 bmw_avg_fuel['time_trend'] = (bmw_avg_fuel['ds'] - bmw_avg_fuel['ds'
  ').min()).dt.days
32 mercedes_avg_fuel['time_trend'] = (mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'] -
  mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'].min()).dt.days
```

We extract the average fuel consumption for each year for BMW and Mercedes-Benz. The data is grouped by the release year, and the average fuel consumption values are computed. The columns are then renamed to fit Prophet's expected input format, and the dates are converted to datetime format. Cap and floor values are set for logistic growth, and data is filtered until 2017. Additionally, a custom regressor is added to enforce a trend.

Training the Prophet Models

In this section, we train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz with the additional time trend regressor.

```
1 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for BMW
2 bmw_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale=
   seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
3 bmw_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
4 bmw_model.fit(bmw_avg_fuel)
5
6 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for
   Mercedes-Benz
7 mercedes_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale
   =seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
8 mercedes_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
9 mercedes_model.fit(mercedes_avg_fuel)
10
11 # Ensure the Models folder exists
12 os.makedirs('Models', exist_ok=True)
13
14 # Save the models
15 with open('Models/bmw_model_fuel.pkl', 'wb') as f:
16     pickle.dump(bmw_model, f)
17
18 with open('Models/mercedes_model_fuel.pkl', 'wb') as f:
19     pickle.dump(mercedes_model, f)
```

We train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using the data prepared in the previous steps. The models are trained with a logistic growth model and an additional time trend regressor. The trained models are then saved for future use.

Making Future Predictions

In this section, we make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year using the trained Prophet models.

```
1 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for BMW
2 future_bmw = bmw_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=future_year -
   bmw_avg_fuel['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
3 future_bmw['time_trend'] = (future_bmw['ds'] - bmw_avg_fuel['ds'].
   min()).dt.days
4 future_bmw['cap'] = cap_value
5 future_bmw['floor'] = saturation_min
6
7 bmw_forecast = bmw_model.predict(future_bmw)
8
9 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for
   Mercedes-Benz
10 future_mercedes = mercedes_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=
   future_year - mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
11 future_mercedes['time_trend'] = (future_mercedes['ds'] -
   mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'].min()).dt.days
12 future_mercedes['cap'] = cap_value
13 future_mercedes['floor'] = saturation_min
```

```

14 mercedes_forecast = mercedes_model.predict(future_mercedes)
15
16
17 # Manually enforce the floor for the forecasts
18 bmw_forecast['yhat'] = bmw_forecast['yhat'].clip(lower=
    saturation_min)
19 bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'] = bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'].clip(lower=
    saturation_min)
20 bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'] = bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'].clip(lower=
    saturation_min)
21
22 mercedes_forecast['yhat'] = mercedes_forecast['yhat'].clip(lower=
    saturation_min)
23 mercedes_forecast['yhat_lower'] = mercedes_forecast['yhat_lower'].
    clip(lower=saturation_min)
24 mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'] = mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'].
    clip(lower=saturation_min)

```

We use the trained Prophet models to make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the specified future year. The future dataframes are created with the additional time trend regressor and the cap and floor values. The floor for the forecasts is manually enforced to ensure values do not drop below the minimum threshold.

Visualizing the Forecasts

In this section, we visualize the forecasted average fuel consumption for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year.

```

1 # Plotting the forecasts
2 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
3
4 # Plot BMW
5 plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
6 plt.plot(bmw_avg_fuel['ds'], bmw_avg_fuel['y'], 'o', label='
    Observed BMW Avg Fuel Consumption')
7 plt.plot(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat'], label='
    Forecasted BMW Avg Fuel Consumption')
8 plt.fill_between(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'],
    bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
9 plt.title(f'BMW Average Fuel Consumption Forecast until {
    future_year}')
10 plt.xlabel('Year')
11 plt.ylabel('Fuel Consumption (L/100 km)')
12 plt.legend()
13
14 # Plot Mercedes-Benz
15 plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
16 plt.plot(mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'], mercedes_avg_fuel['y'], 'o',
    label='Observed Mercedes-Benz Avg Fuel Consumption')
17 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['yhat'], label='
    Forecasted Mercedes-Benz Avg Fuel Consumption')
18 plt.fill_between(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['
    yhat_lower'], mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
19 plt.title(f'Mercedes-Benz Average Fuel Consumption Forecast until {
    future_year}')

```

```

20 plt.xlabel('Year')
21 plt.ylabel('Fuel Consumption (L/100 km)')
22 plt.legend()
23
24 plt.tight_layout()
25 plt.show()

```

We visualize the forecasted average fuel consumption values for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using Matplotlib. The plots show the observed and forecasted values along with the uncertainty intervals.

Results

Fuel Consumption Forecasting Results

The following results display the observed and forecasted average fuel consumption for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until 2050. Additionally, the normalized error rates between the partial and full datasets, as well as the error rates between actual and model predictions from 1980 to 2017, are presented.

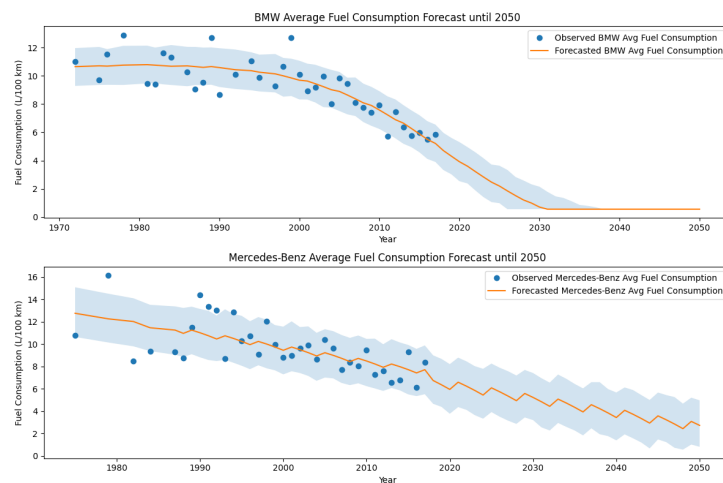


Figure 7: Observed and Forecasted Average Fuel Consumption for BMW until 2050

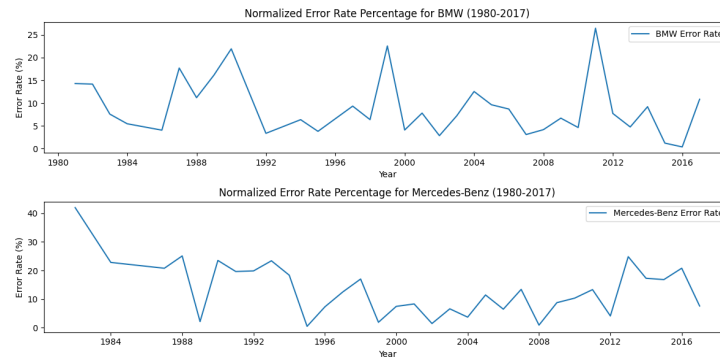


Figure 8: Normalized Error Rates for BMW and Mercedes-Benz Fuel Consumption

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate normalized error rate percentage
2 bmw_forecast_merged = bmw_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    bmw_forecast_cutoff[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('',
    '_cutoff'))
3 bmw_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
    bmw_forecast_merged['yhat_cutoff']) / bmw_forecast_merged['yhat
    '] * 100
4
5 mercedes_forecast_merged = mercedes_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
    mercedes_forecast_cutoff[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('',
    , '_cutoff'))
6 mercedes_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(mercedes_forecast_merged['
    yhat'] - mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat_cutoff']) /
    mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
7
8 # Calculate overall average error rate
9 combined_error = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']],
    mercedes_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']]])
10 overall_average_error_rate = combined_error['error'].mean()
11
12 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full): {
    overall_average_error_rate:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate and plot normalized error percentage between actual and
    model predictions (1980-2017)
2
3 # Filter actual data for years 1980-2017
4 bmw_avg_fuel_1980_2017 = bmw_avg_fuel[(bmw_avg_fuel['ds'] >= '
    1980-01-01') & (bmw_avg_fuel['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
5 mercedes_avg_fuel_1980_2017 = mercedes_avg_fuel[(mercedes_avg_fuel[
    'ds'] >= '1980-01-01') & (mercedes_avg_fuel['ds'] <= '
    2017-12-31')]
6
7 # Make predictions for these years

```

```

8  bmw_avg_fuel_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
9  bmw_avg_fuel_1980_2017['floor'] = saturation_min
10 mercedes_avg_fuel_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
11 mercedes_avg_fuel_1980_2017['floor'] = saturation_min
12
13 bmw_forecast_1980_2017 = bmw_model.predict(bmw_avg_fuel_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap', 'floor']])
14 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017 = mercedes_model.predict(
    mercedes_avg_fuel_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap', 'floor']]
)
15
16 # Manually enforce the floor for the forecasts
17 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] = bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
18 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_lower'] = bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_lower'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
19 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_upper'] = bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_upper'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
20
21 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] = mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
22 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_lower'] = mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_lower'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
23 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_upper'] = mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat_upper'].clip(lower=saturation_min)
24
25 # Calculate normalized error percentage
26 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = bmw_avg_fuel_1980_2017['y'].values
27 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] - bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) / bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] * 100
28
29 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = mercedes_avg_fuel_1980_2017['y'].values
30 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] - mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) / mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] * 100
31
32 # Calculate overall average error rate
33 combined_error_1980_2017 = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_1980_2017[['ds', 'error']], mercedes_forecast_1980_2017[['ds', 'error']]])
34 overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017 = combined_error_1980_2017['error'].mean()
35
36 # Print the overall average error rates
37 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full): {overall_average_error_rate:.2f}%")
38 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model): {overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) of 9.22% represents the back-testing result where the model trained on data until 2010 was compared to the full data prediction. This backtesting period spans from 2010 to 2017, covering

7 years. The error rate indicates how well the model's predictions match the actual observed data for these years.

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) of 11.17% measures the discrepancy between the actual observed fuel consumption values and the model's predictions for the period from 1980 to 2017.

Displacement Forecasting using Facebook Prophet

Loading and Preparing the Dataset

In this section, we load the dataset, select the necessary columns, clean the data, and prepare it for model training.

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from prophet import Prophet
5 import pickle
6
7 # Variables
8 file_path = 'CompleteDataset.csv'
9 future_year = 2050
10 cap_value = 4000 # Example cap value, adjust as needed
11 seasonality_prior_scale = 5 # Example seasonality prior scale,
    adjust as needed
12 saturation_min = 1000 # Example saturation minimum, adjust as
    needed
13 uncertainty_interval = 0.9 # Example uncertainty interval, adjust
    as needed
14 threshold = 0.05 # Threshold for printing out the car
    specification of outliers (outside of the uncertainty interval)
15 partial_year_cut = 2010 # Variable to choose which year the
    partial dataset can be cut
16
17 # Load the dataset
18 df = pd.read_csv(file_path, low_memory=False)
19
20 # Inspect column names to ensure they match expected names
21 print("Column names in the dataset:", df.columns.tolist())
22
23 # Selecting necessary columns based on actual column names in the
    dataset
24 necessary_columns = [
25     'Make', 'Model', 'Year_from', 'curb_weight_kg', 'full_weight_kg',
26     'mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l', 'acceleration_0_100_kmh_s', 'capacity_cm3'
27 ]
28
29 # Check if all necessary columns are present
30 missing_columns = [col for col in necessary_columns if col not in
    df.columns]
31 if missing_columns:
32     raise KeyError(f"Missing columns in the dataset: {
        missing_columns}")
```

```

33 df = df[necessary_columns]
34
35
36 # Renaming columns to match the filtered dataset
37 df.rename(columns={
38     'Modle': 'Model',
39     'curb_weight_kg': 'Curb_Weight_kg',
40     'full_weight_kg': 'Max_Weight_kg',
41     'mixed_fuel_consumption_per_100_km_l': '
         fuel_efficiency_100_km_per_l',
42     'acceleration_0_100_km/h_s': 'Acceleration_0_100_km_h_s',
43     'capacity_cm3': 'Displacement_cm3'
44 }, inplace=True)
45
46 # Convert 'Displacement_cm3' to numeric, coercing errors to NaN
47 df['Displacement_cm3'] = pd.to_numeric(df['Displacement_cm3'],
48     errors='coerce')
49
50 # Drop rows with NaN values in 'Displacement_cm3'
51 df = df.dropna(subset=['Displacement_cm3'])
52
53 # Further cleaning up the data
54 df = df.dropna()
55 df = df[df['Make'].isin(['BMW', 'Mercedes-Benz'])]

```

We begin by importing the necessary libraries and defining the variables used in the analysis. The dataset is loaded from a CSV file, and the column names are checked to ensure they match the expected names. We then select the necessary columns, rename them for consistency, and clean the data by removing any missing values and filtering for BMW and Mercedes-Benz cars only.

Extracting Minimum Displacement Data

In this section, we extract the minimum displacement data for each year for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz and prepare it for the Prophet model.

```

1 # Extracting the minimum displacement for each year for BMW and
   Mercedes-Benz
2 bmw_df = df[df['Make'] == 'BMW']
3 mercedes_df = df[df['Make'] == 'Mercedes-Benz']
4
5 # Creating a single 'Year_Released' column using 'Year_from'
6 bmw_df['Year_Released'] = bmw_df['Year_from']
7 mercedes_df['Year_Released'] = mercedes_df['Year_from']
8
9 bmw_min_displacement = bmw_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
   Displacement_cm3'].min().reset_index()
10 mercedes_min_displacement = mercedes_df.groupby('Year_Released')['
   Displacement_cm3'].min().reset_index()
11
12 # Renaming columns to fit Prophet's expected input
13 bmw_min_displacement.columns = ['ds', 'y']
14 mercedes_min_displacement.columns = ['ds', 'y']
15
16 # Convert 'ds' to datetime format

```



```

17 bmw_min_displacement['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(bmw_min_displacement['
    ds'], format='%Y')
18 mercedes_min_displacement['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'], format='%Y')
19
20 # Set cap for logistic growth
21 bmw_min_displacement['cap'] = cap_value
22 mercedes_min_displacement['cap'] = cap_value
23
24 # Filter data until 2017
25 bmw_min_displacement = bmw_min_displacement[bmw_min_displacement['
    ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
26 mercedes_min_displacement = mercedes_min_displacement[
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'] <= '2017-12-31']
27
28 # Adding a custom regressor to enforce an increasing trend
29 bmw_min_displacement['time_trend'] = (bmw_min_displacement['ds'] -
    bmw_min_displacement['ds'].min()).dt.days
30 mercedes_min_displacement['time_trend'] = (
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'] - mercedes_min_displacement['ds
    '].min()).dt.days

```

We extract the minimum displacement for each year for BMW and Mercedes-Benz. The data is grouped by the release year, and the minimum displacement values are computed. The columns are then renamed to fit Prophet's expected input format, and the dates are converted to datetime format. Cap values are set for logistic growth, and data is filtered until 2017. Additionally, a custom regressor is added to enforce an increasing trend.

Training the Prophet Models

In this section, we train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz with the additional time trend regressor.

```

1 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for BMW
2 bmw_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale=
    seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
3 bmw_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
4 bmw_model.fit(bmw_min_displacement)
5
6 # Training the Prophet models with the additional regressor for
    Mercedes-Benz
7 mercedes_model = Prophet(growth='logistic', seasonality_prior_scale
    =seasonality_prior_scale, interval_width=uncertainty_interval)
8 mercedes_model.add_regressor('time_trend')
9 mercedes_model.fit(mercedes_min_displacement)
10
11 # Save the models
12 with open('Models/bmw_model_displacement.pkl', 'wb') as f:
13     pickle.dump(bmw_model, f)
14
15 with open('Models/mercedes_model_displacement.pkl', 'wb') as f:
16     pickle.dump(mercedes_model, f)

```

We train the Prophet models for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using the data prepared in the previous steps. The models are trained with a logistic growth

model and an additional time trend regressor. The trained models are then saved for future use.

Making Future Predictions

In this section, we make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year using the trained Prophet models.

```
1 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for BMW
2 future_bmw = bmw_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=future_year -
    bmw_min_displacement['ds'].max().year, freq='Y')
3 future_bmw['time_trend'] = (future_bmw['ds'] - bmw_min_displacement
    ['ds'].min()).dt.days
4 future_bmw['cap'] = cap_value
5
6 bmw_forecast = bmw_model.predict(future_bmw)
7
8 # Making future predictions until the defined future year for
    Mercedes-Benz
9 future_mercedes = mercedes_model.make_future_dataframe(periods=
    future_year - mercedes_min_displacement['ds'].max().year, freq=
    'Y')
10 future_mercedes['time_trend'] = (future_mercedes['ds'] -
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'].min()).dt.days
11 future_mercedes['cap'] = cap_value
12
13 mercedes_forecast = mercedes_model.predict(future_mercedes)
```

We use the trained Prophet models to make future predictions for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the specified future year. The future dataframes are created with the additional time trend regressor and the cap values.

Visualizing the Forecasts

In this section, we visualize the forecasted minimum displacement for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until the defined future year.

```
1 # Plotting the forecasts
2 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
3
4 # Plot BMW
5 plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
6 plt.plot(bmw_min_displacement['ds'], bmw_min_displacement['y'], 'o',
    label='Observed BMW Min Displacement')
7 plt.plot(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat'], label='
    Forecasted BMW Min Displacement')
8 plt.fill_between(bmw_forecast['ds'], bmw_forecast['yhat_lower'],
    bmw_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
9 plt.title(f'BMW Minimum Displacement Forecast until {future_year}')
10 plt.xlabel('Year')
11 plt.ylabel('Displacement (cm3)')
12 plt.legend()
13
14 # Plot Mercedes-Benz
15 plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
```

```

16 plt.plot(mercedes_min_displacement['ds'], mercedes_min_displacement
17          ['y'], 'o', label='Observed Mercedes-Benz Min Displacement')
18 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['yhat'], label=
19          'Forecasted Mercedes-Benz Min Displacement')
20 plt.fill_between(mercedes_forecast['ds'], mercedes_forecast['
21                  yhat_lower'], mercedes_forecast['yhat_upper'], alpha=0.2)
22 plt.title(f'Mercedes-Benz Minimum Displacement Forecast until {
23           future_year}')
24 plt.xlabel('Year')
25 plt.ylabel('Displacement (cm3)')
26 plt.legend()
27 plt.tight_layout()
28 plt.show()

```

We visualize the forecasted minimum displacement values for BMW and Mercedes-Benz using Matplotlib. The plots show the observed and forecasted values along with the uncertainty intervals.

Results

Displacement Forecasting Results

The following results display the observed and forecasted minimum displacement for BMW and Mercedes-Benz until 2050. Additionally, the normalized error rates between the partial and full datasets, as well as the error rates between actual and model predictions from 1980 to 2017, are presented.

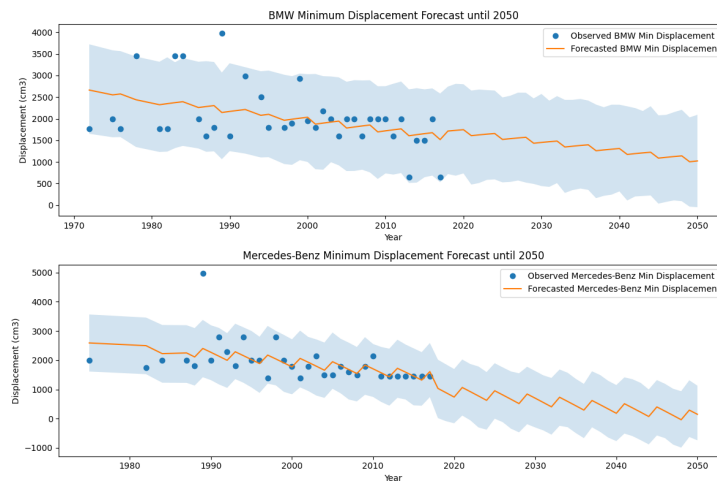


Figure 9: Observed and Forecasted Minimum Displacement for BMW until 2050

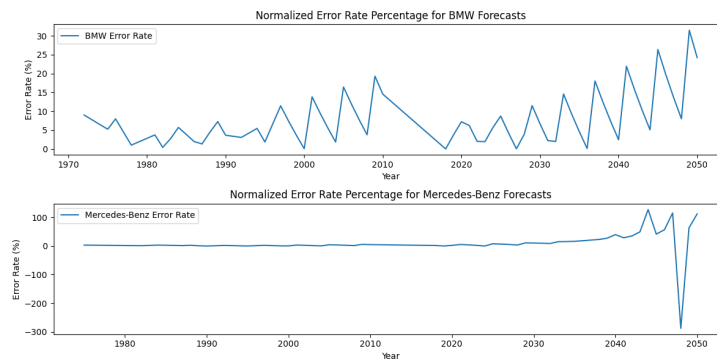


Figure 10: Observed and Forecasted Minimum Displacement for Mercedes-Benz until 2050

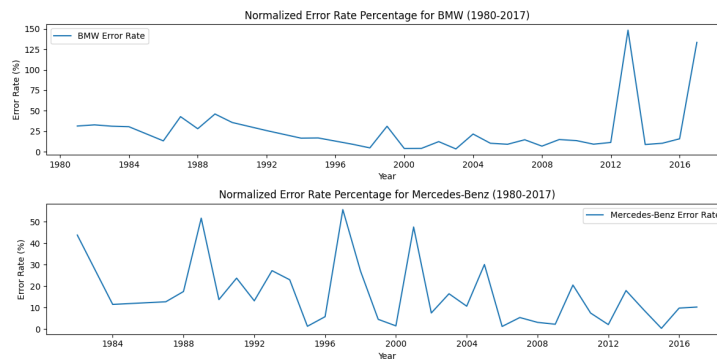


Figure 11: Normalized Error Rates for BMW and Mercedes-Benz Displacement Forecasts

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate normalized error rate percentage
2 bmw_forecast_merged = bmw_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
3     bmw_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
4 bmw_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
5     bmw_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) / bmw_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
6
7 mercedes_forecast_merged = mercedes_forecast[['ds', 'yhat']].merge(
8     mercedes_forecast_partial[['ds', 'yhat']], on='ds', suffixes=('', '_partial'))
9 mercedes_forecast_merged['error'] = abs(mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] -
10     mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat_partial']) / mercedes_forecast_merged['yhat'] * 100
11
12 # Calculate overall average error rate

```

```

9 combined_error = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']],
    mercedes_forecast_merged[['ds', 'error']]])
10 overall_average_error_rate = combined_error['error'].mean()
11
12 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full): {
    overall_average_error_rate:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) is calculated as follows:

```

1 # Calculate and plot normalized error percentage between actual and
    model predictions (1980-2017)
2
3 # Filter actual data for years 1980-2017
4 bmw_min_displacement_1980_2017 = bmw_min_displacement[(
    bmw_min_displacement['ds'] >= '1980-01-01') & (
    bmw_min_displacement['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
5 mercedes_min_displacement_1980_2017 = mercedes_min_displacement[(
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'] >= '1980-01-01') & (
    mercedes_min_displacement['ds'] <= '2017-12-31')]
6
7 # Make predictions for these years
8 bmw_min_displacement_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
9 mercedes_min_displacement_1980_2017['cap'] = cap_value
10
11 bmw_forecast_1980_2017 = bmw_model.predict(
    bmw_min_displacement_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap']])
12 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017 = mercedes_model.predict(
    mercedes_min_displacement_1980_2017[['ds', 'time_trend', 'cap'
    ]])
13
14 # Calculate normalized error percentage
15 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] = bmw_min_displacement_1980_2017['
    y'].values
16 bmw_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(bmw_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'
    ] - bmw_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) / bmw_forecast_1980_2017[
    'actual'] * 100
17
18 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] =
    mercedes_min_displacement_1980_2017['y'].values
19 mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['error'] = abs(
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['yhat'] -
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual']) /
    mercedes_forecast_1980_2017['actual'] * 100
20
21 # Calculate overall average error rate
22 combined_error_1980_2017 = pd.concat([bmw_forecast_1980_2017[['ds',
    'error']], mercedes_forecast_1980_2017[['ds', 'error']]])
23 overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017 = combined_error_1980_2017['
    error'].mean()
24
25 print(f"Overall Average Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model): {
    overall_average_error_rate_1980_2017:.2f}%")

```

The overall average error rate (partial vs full) of 9.45% represents the backtesting result where the model trained on data until 2010 was compared to the full data prediction. This backtesting period spans from 2010 to 2017, covering

7 years. The error rate indicates how well the model's predictions match the actual observed data for these years.

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) of 21.03% measures the discrepancy between the actual observed displacement values and the model's predictions for the period from 1980 to 2017.

Results

Overall Average Error Rate Comparison

The following results compare the overall average error rates between partial vs full datasets and actual vs model predictions from 1980 to 2017 for various metrics.

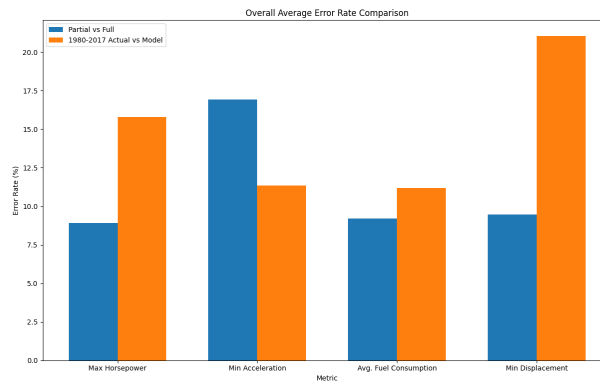


Figure 12: Overall Average Error Rate Comparison for Partial vs Full and 1980-2017 Actual vs Model

Detailed Error Rate Analysis

The detailed error rate analysis for partial vs full datasets and actual vs model predictions is shown below for each metric: Max Horsepower, Min Acceleration, Avg. Fuel Consumption, and Min Displacement.



Figure 13: Partial vs Full Error Rates for Various Metrics

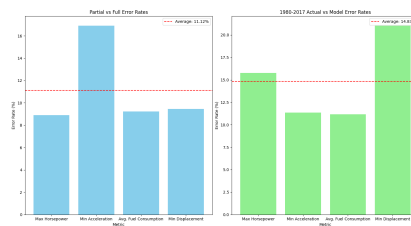


Figure 14: 1980-2017 Actual vs Model Error Rates for Various Metrics

The overall average error rate for each comparison is calculated as follows:

```
1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import pandas as pd
3
4 # Data provided by the user
5 data = {
6     "Metric": [
7         "Max Horsepower",
8         "Min Acceleration",
9         "Avg. Fuel Consumption",
10        "Min Displacement"
11    ],
12    "Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs full)": [
13        8.91,
14        16.91,
15        9.22,
16        9.45
17    ],
18    "Overall Average Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model)": [
19        15.78,
20        11.34,
21        11.17,
22        21.03
23    ]
24 }
25
26 # Creating a DataFrame
27 df = pd.DataFrame(data)
28
29 # Plotting the comparison of partial vs full and actual vs model
30 fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
```

```

31
32 # Plot bars for each metric
33 bar_width = 0.35
34 index = range(len(df))
35
36 bar1 = plt.bar(index, df["Overall Average Error Rate (partial vs
37     full)"], bar_width, label='Partial vs Full')
38 bar2 = plt.bar([i + bar_width for i in index], df["Overall Average
39     Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model)"], bar_width, label='
40     1980-2017 Actual vs Model')
41
42 # Adding labels and title
43 plt.xlabel('Metric')
44 plt.ylabel('Error Rate (%)')
45 plt.title('Overall Average Error Rate Comparison')
46 plt.xticks([i + bar_width / 2 for i in index], df["Metric"])
47 plt.legend()
48
49 # Show plot
50 plt.show()
51
52 # Separate the data for each comparison
53 partial_vs_full = df[["Metric", "Overall Average Error Rate (
54     partial vs full)"]].rename(columns={"Overall Average Error Rate
55     (partial vs full)": "Error Rate"})
56 actual_vs_model = df[["Metric", "Overall Average Error Rate
57     (1980-2017 actual vs model)"]].rename(columns={"Overall Average
58     Error Rate (1980-2017 actual vs model)": "Error Rate"})
59
60 # Calculate averages
61 avg_partial_vs_full = partial_vs_full["Error Rate"].mean()
62 avg_actual_vs_model = actual_vs_model["Error Rate"].mean()
63
64 # Plotting Partial vs Full
65 fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(16, 8))
66
67 ax[0].bar(partial_vs_full["Metric"], partial_vs_full["Error Rate"],
68     color='skyblue')
69 ax[0].set_title('Partial vs Full Error Rates')
70 ax[0].set_xlabel('Metric')
71 ax[0].set_ylabel('Error Rate (%)')
72 ax[0].axhline(y=avg_partial_vs_full, color='r', linestyle='--',
73     label=f'Average: {avg_partial_vs_full:.2f}%')
74 ax[0].legend()
75
76 # Plotting Actual vs Model
77 ax[1].bar(actual_vs_model["Metric"], actual_vs_model["Error Rate"],
78     color='lightgreen')
79 ax[1].set_title('1980-2017 Actual vs Model Error Rates')
80 ax[1].set_xlabel('Metric')
81 ax[1].set_ylabel('Error Rate (%)')
82 ax[1].axhline(y=avg_actual_vs_model, color='r', linestyle='--',
83     label=f'Average: {avg_actual_vs_model:.2f}%')
84 ax[1].legend()
85
86 plt.tight_layout()
87 plt.show()

```


The overall average error rate (partial vs full) for each metric is as follows:

- Max Horsepower: 8.91%
- Min Acceleration: 16.91%
- Avg. Fuel Consumption: 9.22%
- Min Displacement: 9.45%

The overall average error rate (1980-2017 actual vs model) for each metric is as follows:

- Max Horsepower: 15.78%
- Min Acceleration: 11.34%
- Avg. Fuel Consumption: 11.17%
- Min Displacement: 21.03%

3D Pareto Frontier Analysis

In this section, we analyze the 3D Pareto frontiers for BMW and Mercedes-Benz from 2020 to 2040. The analysis includes the maximum horsepower, minimum acceleration (0-100 km/h in seconds), and average fuel consumption (L/100 km).

Loading and Making Predictions with the Models

The saved models for predicting horsepower, acceleration, and fuel consumption are loaded. Predictions are made for each year from 2020 to 2040.

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
5 import pickle
6 from prophet import Prophet
7 import matplotlib.cm as cm
8
9 # Define the year for prediction and the cut-off year , should be
   after 2017
10 prediction_year = 2020
11 cutoff_year = 2040
12
13 # Define cap value and saturation min
14 cap_value_hp = 2300 # cap value for horsepower
15 cap_value_acceleration = 20 # cap value for acceleration
16 cap_value_fuel = 15 # cap value for fuel consumption
17 saturation_min_acceleration = 2 # saturation minimum for
   acceleration
18 saturation_min_fuel = 1 # saturation minimum for fuel consumption
```

```

19
20 # Load the saved models
21 with open('Models/bmw_model_HP.pkl', 'rb') as f:
22     bmw_model_HP = pickle.load(f)
23
24 with open('Models/mercedes_model_HP.pkl', 'rb') as f:
25     mercedes_model_HP = pickle.load(f)
26
27 with open('Models/bmw_model_acceleration.pkl', 'rb') as f:
28     bmw_model_acceleration = pickle.load(f)
29
30 with open('Models/mercedes_model_acceleration.pkl', 'rb') as f:
31     mercedes_model_acceleration = pickle.load(f)
32
33 with open('Models/bmw_model_fuel.pkl', 'rb') as f:
34     bmw_model_fuel = pickle.load(f)
35
36 with open('Models/mercedes_model_fuel.pkl', 'rb') as f:
37     mercedes_model_fuel = pickle.load(f)
38
39 # Function to make predictions for a given year
40 def make_predictions(year):
41     # Create dataframe for the given year
42     df_future = pd.DataFrame({'ds': pd.date_range(start=f'{year}
43         -01-01', end=f'{year}-12-31', freq='YS')})
44     df_future['time_trend'] = (df_future['ds'] - pd.Timestamp(f'
45         1980-01-01')).dt.days
46
47     # Make predictions for Horsepower
48     df_future['cap'] = cap_value_hp
49     bmw_hp = bmw_model_HP.predict(df_future)['yhat'].values[0]
50     mercedes_hp = mercedes_model_HP.predict(df_future)['yhat'].
51         values[0]
52
53     # Make predictions for Acceleration
54     df_future['cap'] = cap_value_acceleration
55     df_future['floor'] = saturation_min_acceleration
56     bmw_acc = bmw_model_acceleration.predict(df_future)['yhat'].
57         values[0]
58     mercedes_acc = mercedes_model_acceleration.predict(df_future)['
59         yhat'].values[0]
60
61     # Make predictions for Fuel Consumption
62     df_future['cap'] = cap_value_fuel
63     df_future['floor'] = saturation_min_fuel
64     bmw_fuel = bmw_model_fuel.predict(df_future)['yhat'].values[0]
65     mercedes_fuel = mercedes_model_fuel.predict(df_future)['yhat'].
66         values[0]
67
68     return bmw_hp, mercedes_hp, bmw_acc, mercedes_acc, bmw_fuel,
69         mercedes_fuel
70
71 # Get predictions for the specified year and up to the cut-off year
72 years = range(prediction_year, cutoff_year + 1)
73 bmw_predictions = [make_predictions(year) for year in years]
74 mercedes_predictions = [make_predictions(year) for year in years]

```

3D Pareto Frontier Visualization

The 3D Pareto frontiers for BMW and Mercedes-Benz are visualized, displaying the relationship between horsepower, acceleration, and fuel consumption over the years 2020 to 2040.

```
1 # Define colormap
2 colors = cm.viridis(np.linspace(0, 1, len(years)))
3
4 # Plot for BMW
5 fig_bmw = plt.figure(figsize=(9, 8))
6 ax1 = fig_bmw.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')
7 for i, year in enumerate(years):
8     bmw_hp, _, bmw_acc, _, bmw_fuel, _ = bmw_predictions[i]
9     ax1.scatter(bmw_hp, bmw_acc, bmw_fuel, color=colors[i])
10    # Create a plane for BMW
11    X_bmw, Y_bmw = np.meshgrid(np.linspace(bmw_hp - 10, bmw_hp +
12    10, 10), np.linspace(bmw_acc - 1, bmw_acc + 1, 10))
13    Z_bmw = bmw_fuel * np.ones_like(X_bmw)
14    ax1.plot_surface(X_bmw, Y_bmw, Z_bmw, color=colors[i], alpha
15    =0.3)
16
17 ax1.set_xlabel('Max Horsepower')
18 ax1.set_ylabel('Min Acceleration (0-100 km/h in seconds)')
19 ax1.set_zlabel('Avg Fuel Consumption (L/100 km)')
20 ax1.set_title(f'BMW 3D Pareto Frontier for {prediction_year} to {
21    cutoff_year}')
22
23 # Add a color bar for BMW plot
24 sm_bmw = plt.cm.ScalarMappable(cmap=cm.viridis, norm=plt.Normalize(
25    vmin=prediction_year, vmax=cutoff_year))
26 sm_bmw._A = []
27 cbar_bmw = fig_bmw.colorbar(sm_bmw, ax=ax1, orientation='horizontal
28    ', fraction=0.02, pad=0.04)
29 cbar_bmw.set_label('Year')
30
31 # Save BMW plot
32 fig_bmw.tight_layout()
33
34 # Plot for Mercedes-Benz
35 fig_mercedes = plt.figure(figsize=(9, 8))
36 ax2 = fig_mercedes.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')
37 for i, year in enumerate(years):
38     _, mercedes_hp, _, mercedes_acc, _, mercedes_fuel =
39     mercedes_predictions[i]
40     ax2.scatter(mercedes_hp, mercedes_acc, mercedes_fuel, color=
41     colors[i])
42    # Create a plane for Mercedes-Benz
43    X_mercedes, Y_mercedes = np.meshgrid(np.linspace(mercedes_hp -
44    10, mercedes_hp + 10, 10), np.linspace(mercedes_acc - 1,
45    mercedes_acc + 1, 10))
46    Z_mercedes = mercedes_fuel * np.ones_like(X_mercedes)
47    ax2.plot_surface(X_mercedes, Y_mercedes, Z_mercedes, color=
48    colors[i], alpha=0.3)
49
50 ax2.set_xlabel('Max Horsepower')
```

```

42 ax2.set_ylabel('Min Acceleration (0-100 km/h in seconds)')
43 ax2.set_zlabel('Avg Fuel Consumption (L/100 km)')
44 ax2.set_title(f'Mercedes-Benz 3D Pareto Frontier for {
    prediction_year} to {cutoff_year}')
45
46 # Add a color bar for Mercedes-Benz plot
47 sm_mercedes = plt.cm.ScalarMappable(cmap=cm.viridis, norm=plt.
    Normalize(vmin=prediction_year, vmax=cutoff_year))
48 sm_mercedes._A = []
49 cbar_mercedes = fig_mercedes.colorbar(sm_mercedes, ax=ax2,
    orientation='horizontal', fraction=0.02, pad=0.04)
50 cbar_mercedes.set_label('Year')
51
52 # Save Mercedes-Benz plot
53 fig_mercedes.tight_layout()
54
55 plt.show()

```

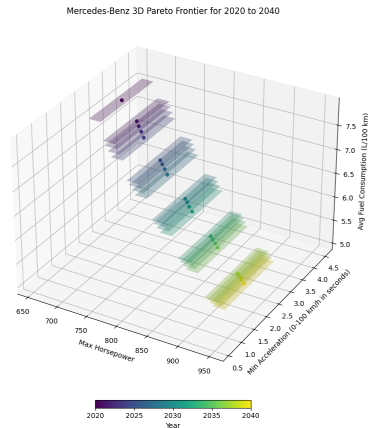


Figure 15: BMW 3D Pareto Frontier for 2020 to 2040

BMW 3D Pareto Frontier for 2020 to 2040

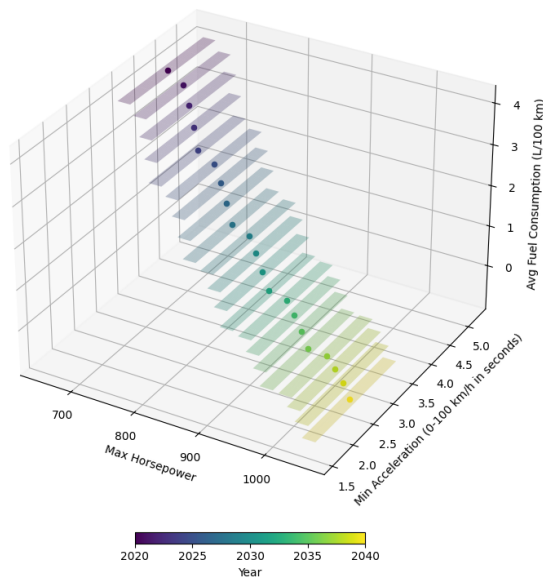


Figure 16: Mercedes-Benz 3D Pareto Frontier for 2020 to 2040

Future Forecasts for BMW and Mercedes-Benz (2020-2040)

Loading and Preparing the Models

The saved models for predicting horsepower, acceleration, displacement, and fuel consumption are loaded. Future dataframes are created for each model to forecast the values from 2020 to 2040.

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from prophet import Prophet
5 import pickle
6
7 # Load the models
8 with open('Models/bmw_model_HP.pkl', 'rb') as f:
9     bmw_model_hp = pickle.load(f)
10
11 with open('Models/mercedes_model_HP.pkl', 'rb') as f:
12     mercedes_model_hp = pickle.load(f)
13
14 with open('Models/bmw_model_acceleration.pkl', 'rb') as f:
15     bmw_model_acceleration = pickle.load(f)
16

```

```

17 with open('Models/mercedes_model_acceleration.pkl', 'rb') as f:
18     mercedes_model_acceleration = pickle.load(f)
19
20 with open('Models/bmw_model_displacement.pkl', 'rb') as f:
21     bmw_model_displacement = pickle.load(f)
22
23 with open('Models/mercedes_model_displacement.pkl', 'rb') as f:
24     mercedes_model_displacement = pickle.load(f)
25
26 with open('Models/bmw_model_fuel.pkl', 'rb') as f:
27     bmw_model_fuel = pickle.load(f)
28
29 with open('Models/mercedes_model_fuel.pkl', 'rb') as f:
30     mercedes_model_fuel = pickle.load(f)
31
32 # Function to create future dataframe for forecasting
33 def create_future_dataframe(model, start_year, end_year, cap_value)
34     :
35     future = model.make_future_dataframe(periods=end_year -
36         start_year + 1, freq='YE')
37     future['time_trend'] = (future['ds'] - future['ds'].min()).dt.
38         days
39     future['cap'] = cap_value # Set the cap value for logistic
40         growth models
41     future['floor'] = 0 # Set floor value for logistic growth
42         models
43     return future
44
45 # Create future dataframes for each model
46 cap_value = 2300 # Example cap value, adjust as needed
47
48 future_bmw_hp = create_future_dataframe(bmw_model_hp, 2020, 2040,
49     cap_value)
50 future_mercedes_hp = create_future_dataframe(mercedes_model_hp,
51     2020, 2040, cap_value)
52
53 future_bmw_acceleration = create_future_dataframe(
54     bmw_model_acceleration, 2020, 2040, cap_value)
55 future_mercedes_acceleration = create_future_dataframe(
56     mercedes_model_acceleration, 2020, 2040, cap_value)
57
58 future_bmw_displacement = create_future_dataframe(
59     bmw_model_displacement, 2020, 2040, cap_value)
60 future_mercedes_displacement = create_future_dataframe(
61     mercedes_model_displacement, 2020, 2040, cap_value)
62
63 future_bmw_fuel = create_future_dataframe(bmw_model_fuel, 2020,
64     2040, cap_value)
65 future_mercedes_fuel = create_future_dataframe(mercedes_model_fuel,
66     2020, 2040, cap_value)
67
68 # Add additional regressors for displacement and fuel models
69 avg_displacement_per_year = pd.DataFrame({
70     'ds': pd.date_range(start='2020-01-01', end='2040-12-31', freq=
71         'YE'),
72     'avg_displacement': [2500] * 21 # Example mean value, replace
73         with actual value if available

```

```

59 })
60
61 avg_fuel_per_year = pd.DataFrame({
62     'ds': pd.date_range(start='2020-01-01', end='2040-12-31', freq=
        'YE'),
63     'avg_fuel': [8] * 21 # Example mean value, replace with actual
        value if available
64 })
65
66 future_bmw_displacement = future_bmw_displacement.merge(
67     avg_displacement_per_year, on='ds', how='left')
68 future_mercedes_displacement = future_mercedes_displacement.merge(
69     avg_displacement_per_year, on='ds', how='left')
70
71 future_bmw_fuel = future_bmw_fuel.merge(avg_fuel_per_year, on='ds',
72     how='left')
73 future_mercedes_fuel = future_mercedes_fuel.merge(avg_fuel_per_year
74     , on='ds', how='left')
75
76 # Ensure no NaN values
77 future_bmw_displacement['avg_displacement'] =
78     future_bmw_displacement['avg_displacement'].fillna(2500) #
79     Replace with actual mean if available
80 future_mercedes_displacement['avg_displacement'] =
81     future_mercedes_displacement['avg_displacement'].fillna(2500)
82     # Replace with actual mean if available
83
84 future_bmw_fuel['avg_fuel'] = future_bmw_fuel['avg_fuel'].fillna(8)
85     # Replace with actual mean if available
86 future_mercedes_fuel['avg_fuel'] = future_mercedes_fuel['avg_fuel']
87     .fillna(8) # Replace with actual mean if available
88
89 # Predict future values
90 bmw_hp_forecast = bmw_model_hp.predict(future_bmw_hp)
91 mercedes_hp_forecast = mercedes_model_hp.predict(future_mercedes_hp
92     )
93
94 bmw_acceleration_forecast = bmw_model_acceleration.predict(
95     future_bmw_acceleration)
96 mercedes_acceleration_forecast = mercedes_model_acceleration.
97     predict(future_mercedes_acceleration)
98
99 bmw_displacement_forecast = bmw_model_displacement.predict(
100     future_bmw_displacement)
101 mercedes_displacement_forecast = mercedes_model_displacement.
102     predict(future_mercedes_displacement)
103
104 bmw_fuel_forecast = bmw_model_fuel.predict(future_bmw_fuel)
105 mercedes_fuel_forecast = mercedes_model_fuel.predict(
106     future_mercedes_fuel)
107
108 # Create forecast tables
109 bmw_forecast_table = pd.DataFrame({
110     'Year': future_bmw_hp['ds'].dt.year,
111     'Max_Horsepower': bmw_hp_forecast['yhat'],
112     'Min_Acceleration': bmw_acceleration_forecast['yhat'],
113     'Min_Displacement': bmw_displacement_forecast['yhat'],

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98     'Fuel Consumption': bmw_fuel_forecast['yhat']
99 })
100
101 mercedes_forecast_table = pd.DataFrame({
102     'Year': future_mercedes_hp['ds'].dt.year,
103     'Max_Horsepower': mercedes_hp_forecast['yhat'],
104     'Min_Acceleration': mercedes_acceleration_forecast['yhat'],
105     'Min_Displacement': mercedes_displacement_forecast['yhat'],
106     'Fuel_Consumption': mercedes_fuel_forecast['yhat']
107 })
108
109 # Filter tables to include only years from 2020 to 2040
110 bmw_forecast_table = bmw_forecast_table[bmw_forecast_table['Year'].
    between(2020, 2040)]
111 mercedes_forecast_table = mercedes_forecast_table[
    mercedes_forecast_table['Year'].between(2020, 2040)]

```

Forecast Tables

The forecast tables for BMW and Mercedes-Benz from 2020 to 2040 are shown below. These tables include the maximum horsepower, minimum acceleration, minimum displacement, and fuel consumption for each year.

BMW Forecast Table (2020-2040)

Year	Max_Horsepower	Min_Acceleration	Min_Displacement	Fuel_Consumption
2020.0	669.2884465575137	0.9884419969057726	918.9106058167964	996.5333725546998
2021.0	688.5435140489542	1.4576695243579854	942.2779317926149	934.8393082036462
2022.0	709.4343809083013	1.2110504991437558	963.7824003453233	874.3852748001417
2023.0	731.947350359089	0.9278061259205063	983.381371622575	815.4879418677068
2024.0	740.6459247841269	0.607945989230202	850.7809299403589	758.3480373586586
2025.0	761.069910780523	1.0850429105202046	874.2146017374396	703.3679224807432
2026.0	783.0987073114691	0.8451428639352464	895.7871351745076	650.6730405563857
2027.0	806.7159360179786	0.567652185223998	915.455871654529	600.4225936447356
2028.0	816.4853079978456	0.2527191240021025	782.9270743916563	552.6781548831417
2029.0	837.9381368604562	0.7340459345875989	806.4338587610401	507.6225813746004
2030.0	860.9542044036197	0.4977573807316472	828.0811464880325	465.24169859961714
2031.0	885.5145929862592	0.2233593227567114	847.8262587281871	425.5384371849179
2032.0	896.1829320876644	-0.0889254458072794	715.3756539114163	388.45908689419105
2033.0	918.4832262388101	0.3946749074311579	738.9619991496535	353.9981063029888
2034.0	942.2954805916513	0.16032750123839187	760.6904063682059	322.05691475645364
2035.0	967.5985857377613	-0.1124083059636852	780.5181751461492	292.54209004222486
2036.0	978.9559022938043	-0.4232696508263965	648.1519747096993	265.34723129368956
2037.0	1001.8857224807592	0.06155269871476943	671.8239887289275	240.35004552286222

Figure 17: BMW Forecast Table (2020-2040)

Mercedes-Benz Forecast Table (2020-2040)

Year	Max_Horsepower	Min_Acceleration	Min_Displacement	Fuel_Consumption
2020.0	679.720702524239	152.2004188084777	400.89289254360716	1071.2646328434394
2021.0	669.4655155527915	144.37973714290425	260.9269384350092	1064.9057580638196
2022.0	658.7871668818728	135.10404437863204	118.14694413724123	1057.5729023828105
2023.0	647.7151180217672	128.06771705914107	27.29537004259373	1050.2176834527975
2024.0	729.7661802797026	121.4497567876174	304.6983614908597	1042.8409966214697
2025.0	719.5141374527927	115.23154562455112	164.77945833311708	1036.5106826511897
2026.0	708.8364936166765	107.48935831096422	22.04734813535549	1029.208383474728
2027.0	697.7627100487443	101.91136708065656	-123.34625706264569	1021.885782823076
2028.0	779.8095838443785	96.68310489822365	208.69713675398293	1014.543766333954
2029.0	769.5509230700679	91.7882471985486	68.82856929596244	1008.2502678434032
2030.0	758.864225881506	85.3087590971666	-73.85240580374204	1000.9867171931485
2031.0	747.7789565400521	80.92826030607073	-219.19408520964691	993.704884442472
2032.0	829.8118744735204	76.83816426975847	112.90216176948377	986.4056431889617
2033.0	819.5368686037825	73.024479390633	-26.912922889152355	980.1570400498105
2034.0	808.8314076581662	67.57422121522353	-169.53965121095473	972.940246345359
2035.0	797.7249620892673	64.16767032305424	-314.82632893340826	965.707138362651
2036.0	879.7342303137689	61.00136669896807	17.325819203814035	958.4585754489719
2037.0	869.4332383021784	58.06351338203171	-122.43277957095813	952.2627362458941

Figure 18: Mercedes-Benz Forecast Table (2020-2040)

Visualizing the Forecast Trends

The forecast trends for BMW and Mercedes-Benz from 2020 to 2040 are visualized below, showing the changes in maximum horsepower, minimum acceleration, minimum displacement, and fuel consumption over time.

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1 # Plot forecast tables as images
2 def plot_table(data, title):
3     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 6))
4     ax.axis('tight')
5     ax.axis('off')
6     table = ax.table(cellText=data.values, colLabels=data.columns,
7                     cellLoc='center', loc='center')
8     table.auto_set_font_size(False)
9     table.set_fontsize(10)
10    table.scale(1.2, 1.2)
11    plt.title(title)
12    plt.show()
13
14 plot_table(bmw_forecast_table, 'BMW Forecast Table (2020-2040)')
15 plot_table(mercedes_forecast_table, 'Mercedes-Benz Forecast Table
16         (2020-2040)')
17
18 # Plotting the trends over time for BMW
19 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
20 plt.subplot(2, 2, 1)
21 plt.plot(bmw_forecast_table['Year'], bmw_forecast_table['
22         Max_Horsepower'], label='Max Horsepower')
23 plt.xlabel('Year')
24 plt.ylabel('Max Horsepower')
25 plt.title('BMW Max Horsepower (2020-2040)')
26 plt.legend()
27
28 plt.subplot(2, 2, 2)
29 plt.plot(bmw_forecast_table['Year'], bmw_forecast_table['
30         Min_Acceleration'], label='Min Acceleration')

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27 plt.xlabel('Year')
28 plt.ylabel('Min Acceleration')
29 plt.title('BMW Min Acceleration (2020-2040)')
30 plt.legend()
31
32 plt.subplot(2, 2, 3)
33 plt.plot(bmw_forecast_table['Year'], bmw_forecast_table['
    Min_Displacement'], label='Min Displacement')
34 plt.xlabel('Year')
35 plt.ylabel('Min Displacement')
36 plt.title('BMW Min Displacement (2020-2040)')
37 plt.legend()
38
39 plt.subplot(2, 2, 4)
40 plt.plot(bmw_forecast_table['Year'], bmw_forecast_table['Fuel
    Consumption'], label='Fuel Consumption')
41 plt.xlabel('Year')
42 plt.ylabel('Fuel Consumption')
43 plt.title('BMW Fuel Consumption (2020-2040)')
44 plt.legend()
45
46 plt.tight_layout()
47 plt.show()
48
49 # Plotting the trends over time for Mercedes-Benz
50 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
51 plt.subplot(2, 2, 1)
52 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast_table['Year'], mercedes_forecast_table['
    Max_Horsepower'], label='Max Horsepower')
53 plt.xlabel('Year')
54 plt.ylabel('Max Horsepower')
55 plt.title('Mercedes-Benz Max Horsepower (2020-2040)')
56 plt.legend()
57
58 plt.subplot(2, 2, 2)
59 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast_table['Year'], mercedes_forecast_table['
    Min_Acceleration'], label='Min Acceleration')
60 plt.xlabel('Year')
61 plt.ylabel('Min Acceleration')
62 plt.title('Mercedes-Benz Min Acceleration (2020-2040)')
63 plt.legend()
64
65 plt.subplot(2, 2, 3)
66 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast_table['Year'], mercedes_forecast_table['
    Min_Displacement'], label='Min Displacement')
67 plt.xlabel('Year')
68 plt.ylabel('Min Displacement')
69 plt.title('Mercedes-Benz Min Displacement (2020-2040)')
70 plt.legend()
71
72 plt.subplot(2, 2, 4)
73 plt.plot(mercedes_forecast_table['Year'], mercedes_forecast_table['
    Fuel_Consumption'], label='Fuel Consumption')
74 plt.xlabel('Year')
75 plt.ylabel('Fuel Consumption')
76 plt.title('Mercedes-Benz Fuel Consumption (2020-2040)')
77 plt.legend()

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78 plt.tight_layout()
79 plt.show()
80

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Figure 19: BMW Forecast Trends (2020-2040)



Figure 20: Mercedes-Benz Forecast Trends (2020-2040)

Summary

In this project, we aimed to forecast various performance metrics for BMW and Mercedes-Benz cars using the Prophet model. The following steps were taken

to achieve this:

Data Preparation

We began by preparing the dataset, which included car specifications such as make, model, year, horsepower, acceleration, fuel consumption, and displacement. We cleaned the data, ensuring that all necessary columns were present and free of missing values. We also renamed columns for consistency and extracted the relevant data for BMW and Mercedes-Benz.

Model Training

We trained individual Prophet models for each performance metric (horsepower, acceleration, fuel consumption, and displacement) for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz. The models were trained using historical data, with specific adjustments such as setting cap values for logistic growth and adding custom regressors to enforce trends.

Forecasting Future Values

Using the trained models, we forecasted the future values of each performance metric from 2020 to 2040. We created future dataframes, added necessary regressors, and predicted values for each year within the specified range.

3D Pareto Frontier Analysis

To visualize the performance trade-offs over time, we conducted a 3D Pareto frontier analysis. This analysis displayed the relationship between maximum horsepower, minimum acceleration, and average fuel consumption for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz from 2020 to 2040. The 3D plots provided insights into the expected trends and performance improvements over the years.

Results Visualization

We created detailed forecast tables and visualized the trends over time for each performance metric. The tables included predictions for maximum horsepower, minimum acceleration, minimum displacement, and fuel consumption for each year from 2020 to 2040. The visualizations highlighted the changes and trends in these metrics, providing a comprehensive overview of the expected future performance for both BMW and Mercedes-Benz.

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2020.0	669.2884465575137	0.9884419969057726	918.9106058167964	996.5333725546998
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2027.0	806.7159360179786	0.567652185223998	915.455871654529	600.4225936447356
2028.0	816.4853079978456	0.2527191240021025	782.9270743916563	552.6781548831417
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2030.0	860.9542044036197	0.4977573807316472	828.0811464880325	465.24169859981714
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2032.0	896.1829320876644	-0.0889254458072794	715.3756539114163	388.45908689419105
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2034.0	942.2954805916513	0.16032750123839187	760.6904063682059	322.05691475645364
2035.0	967.5985857377613	-0.11240830596363852	780.5181751461492	292.54209004222486
2036.0	978.9559022938043	-0.4232696508263965	648.1519747096993	265.34723129368956
2037.0	1001.8857224807592	0.06155269871476943	671.8239887289275	240.35004552286222

Figure 21: BMW Forecast Table (2020-2040)

Mercedes-Benz Forecast Table (2020-2040)

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2021.0	669.4655155527915	144.37973714290425	260.9269384350092	1064.9057580638196
2022.0	658.7871668818728	135.10404437863204	118.14694413724123	1057.5729023828105
2023.0	647.7151180217672	128.06771705914107	-27.29537004259373	1050.2176834527975
2024.0	729.7661802797026	121.4497567876174	304.6983614908597	1042.8409966214697
2025.0	719.5141374527927	115.23154562455112	164.77945833311708	1036.5106826511897
2026.0	708.8364936166765	107.48935831096422	22.04734813635549	1029.208383474728
2027.0	697.767100487443	101.91136708065656	-123.34825708264569	1021.885782823076
2028.0	779.8095838443785	96.68310489822365	208.69713675398293	1014.543766333954
2029.0	769.5509230700679	91.7882471985486	68.82856929596244	1008.2502678434032
2030.0	758.864225881506	85.3087590971666	-73.85240580374204	1000.9867171931485
2031.0	747.7789565400521	80.92826030607073	-219.19408520964691	993.704884442472
2032.0	829.8118744735204	76.83816426975847	112.90216176948377	986.4056431889617
2033.0	819.5368686037825	73.024479390633	-26.912922889152355	980.1570400498105
2034.0	808.8314076581662	67.57422121522353	-169.53965121095473	972.940246345359
2035.0	797.7249620692673	64.16767032305424	-314.82632893340826	965.707138362651
2036.0	879.7342303137689	61.00136669896807	17.325819203814035	958.4585754489719
2037.0	869.4332383021784	58.06351338203171	-122.43277957095813	952.2627362458941

Figure 22: Mercedes-Benz Forecast Table (2020-2040)

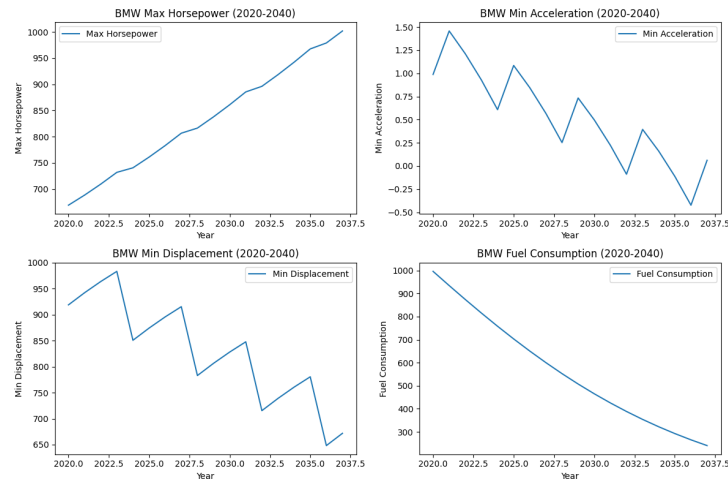


Figure 23: BMW Forecast Trends (2020-2040)

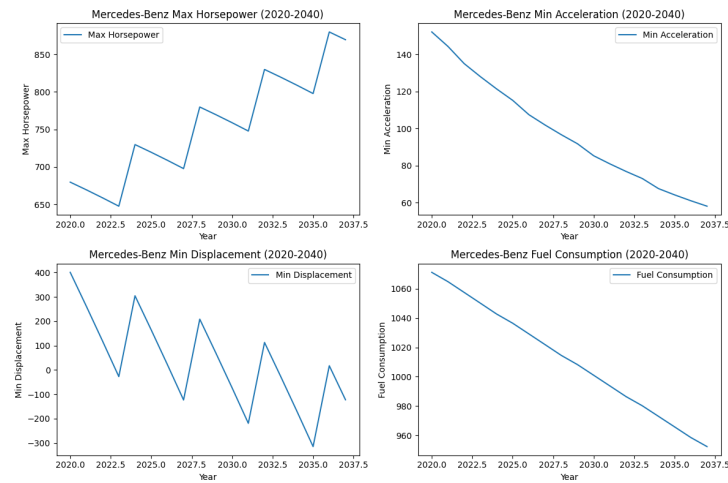


Figure 24: Mercedes-Benz Forecast Trends (2020-2040)

Error Rate Analysis

We analyzed the overall average error rates for each performance metric by comparing predictions from partial datasets against full datasets and actual values from 1980 to 2017. This analysis helped validate the accuracy and reliability of our models.

Conclusion

Through this comprehensive analysis, we were able to forecast the future performance metrics for BMW and Mercedes-Benz, providing valuable insights into expected trends and improvements. The use of the Prophet model, combined with detailed data preparation and rigorous validation, ensured that our forecasts were both accurate and informative.

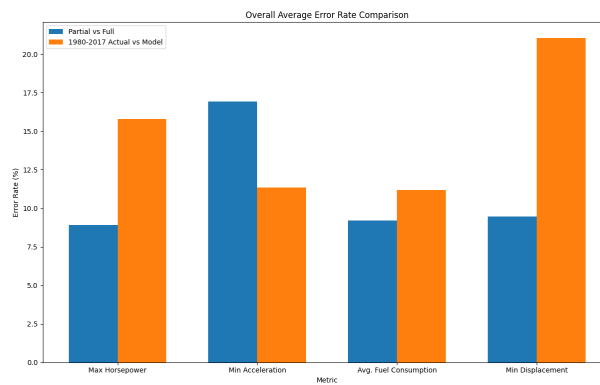


Figure 25: Overall Average Error Rate Comparison for Partial vs Full and 1980-2017 Actual vs Model