



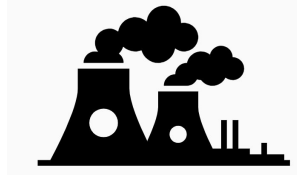
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Time Series Analysis of Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5}) Trends in China

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Agenda



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Introduction and Overview

- **Dataset**: **Daily** data that describes the air quality of Beijing from January 1st, 2013 to December 31st, 2015. (**1095** observations)
- **Source**: Data collected from the **UCI Machine Learning Repository** and originally gathered by the U.S. Department of State.
- **Dependent Variable**: We will model the variable called ***PM_US_POST***, which indicates the PM2.5* concentration level.
- **Independent Variables**: Other Variables in our dataset include Temperature, Humidity, and Wind Speed etc.

*pm2.5: atmospheric particulate matter (PM) that have a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometers

Time Series Plots of Original Dataset

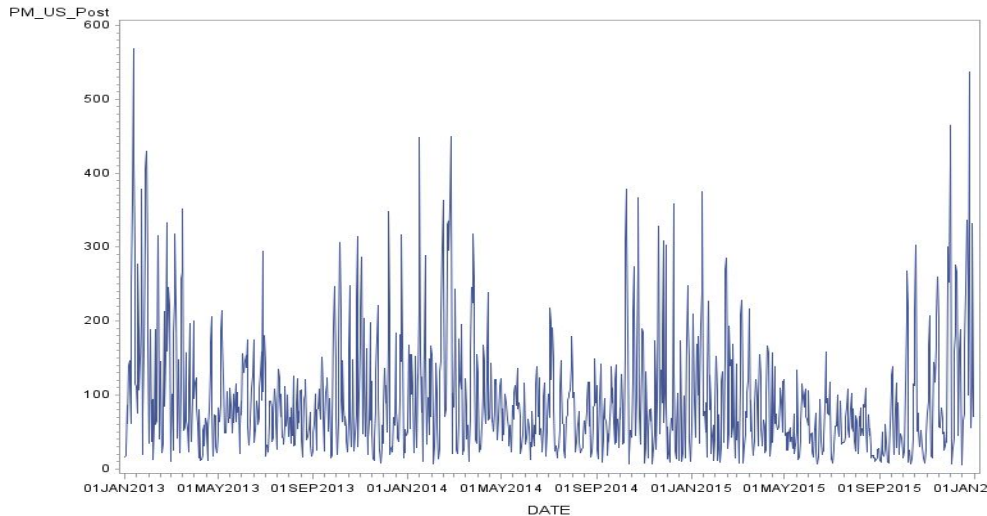


Figure 1: Time Series Plot of Original Series

- ❑ Year Cycle
- ❑ Seasonality
- ❑ No clear trend

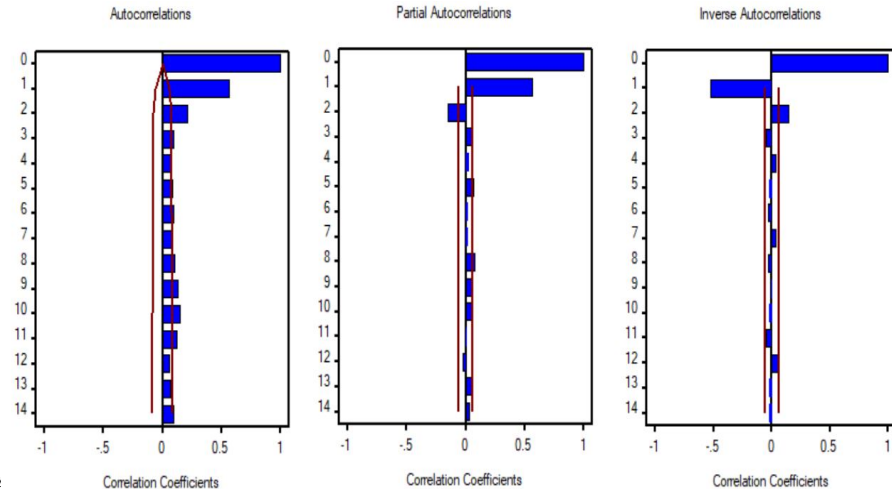


Figure 2: Autocorrelation Plot of Original Series

- ❑ The sample ACF is decaying fast, we can conclude that the series is stationary.

Seasonal Boxplot



1. Lower average in summer



2. Extreme high air pollution in winter



3. Air quality varies significantly in winter

4. Severer air pollution happens from October to next March

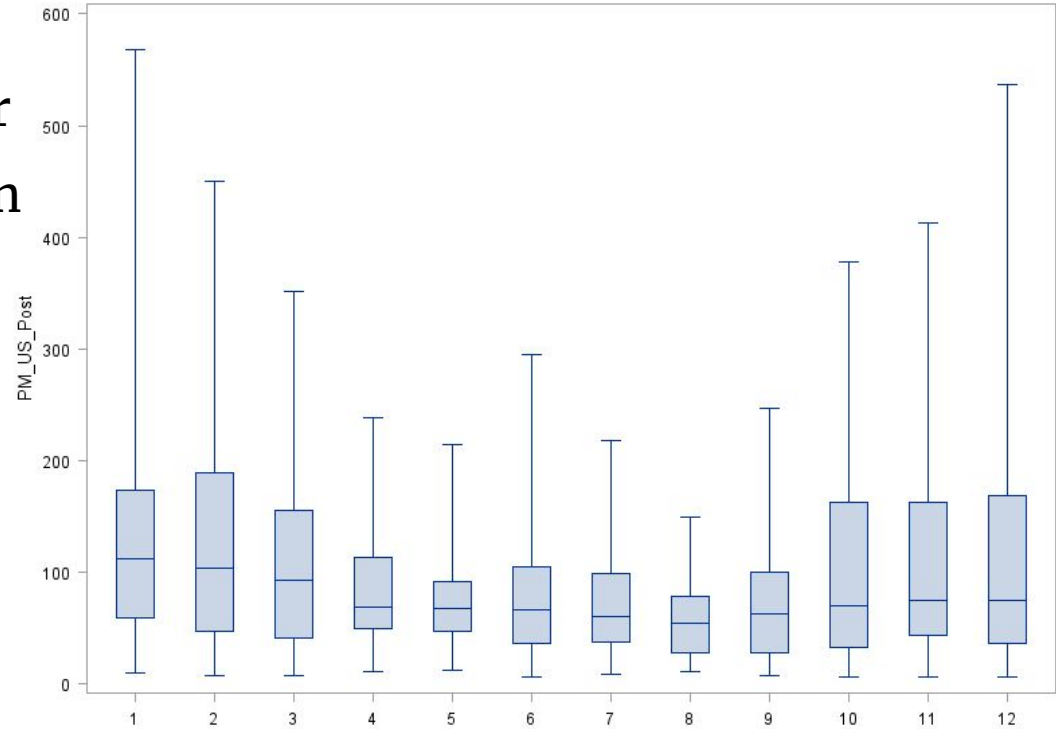


Figure 3: Monthly Boxplot of Air Pollution Series

Deterministic Time Series Models – Seasonal Dummy Model

- ❑ Monthly dummy variables
- ❑ Winter season indicator
- ❑ No Trend

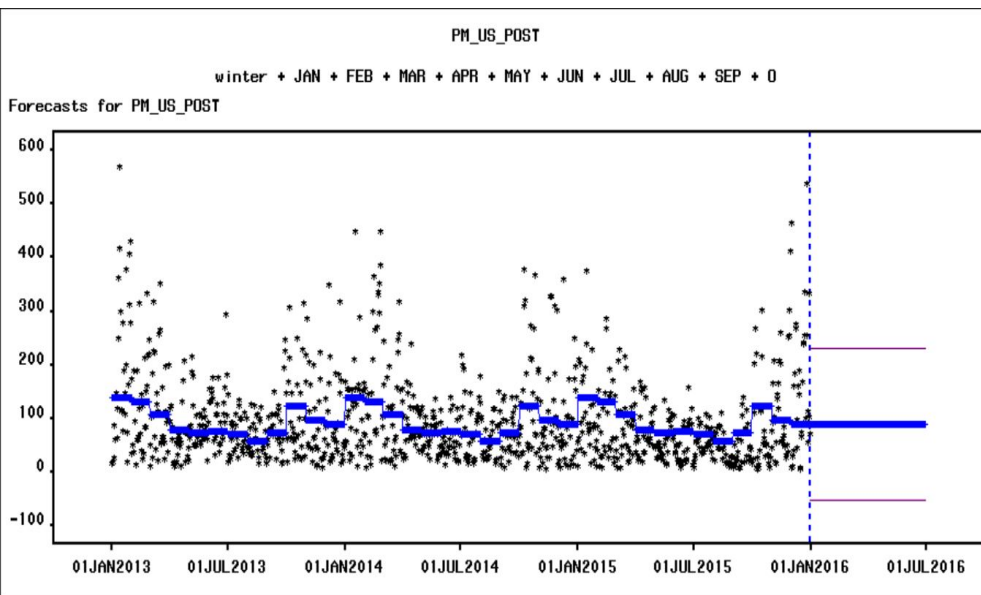


Figure 4: Actual versus Predicted Plot for Seasonal Dummy Model



AR(2) or ARMA(1,1)

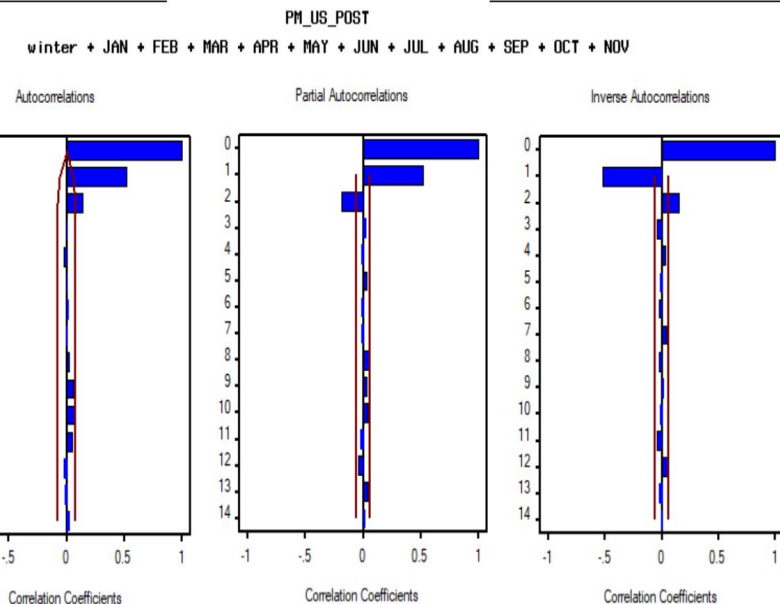


Figure 5: Autocorrelation Plot For Seasonal Dummy Model



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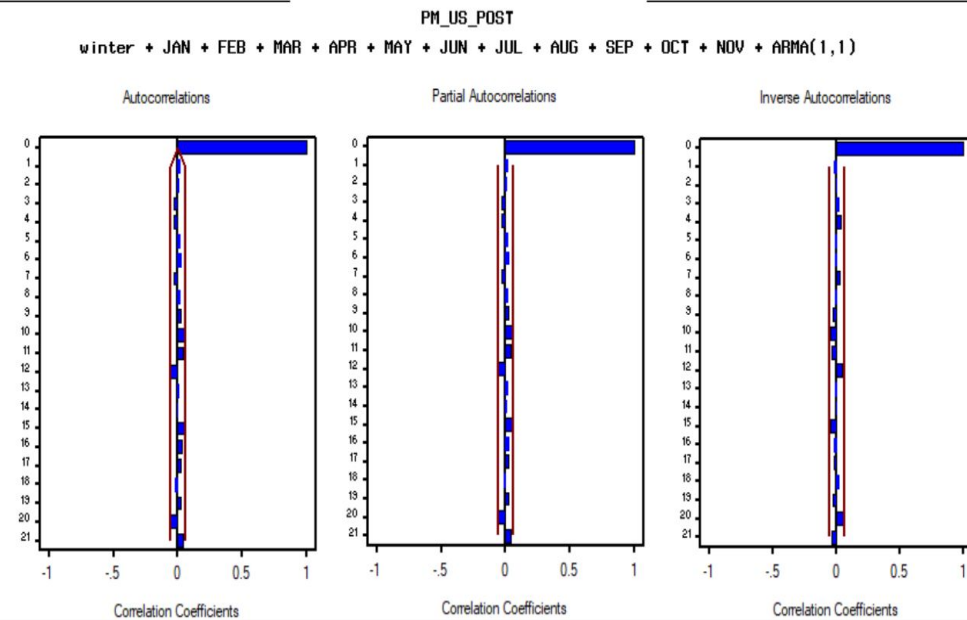


Figure 6: Autocorrelation Plot for Seasonal Dummy Model with ARMA(1,1)

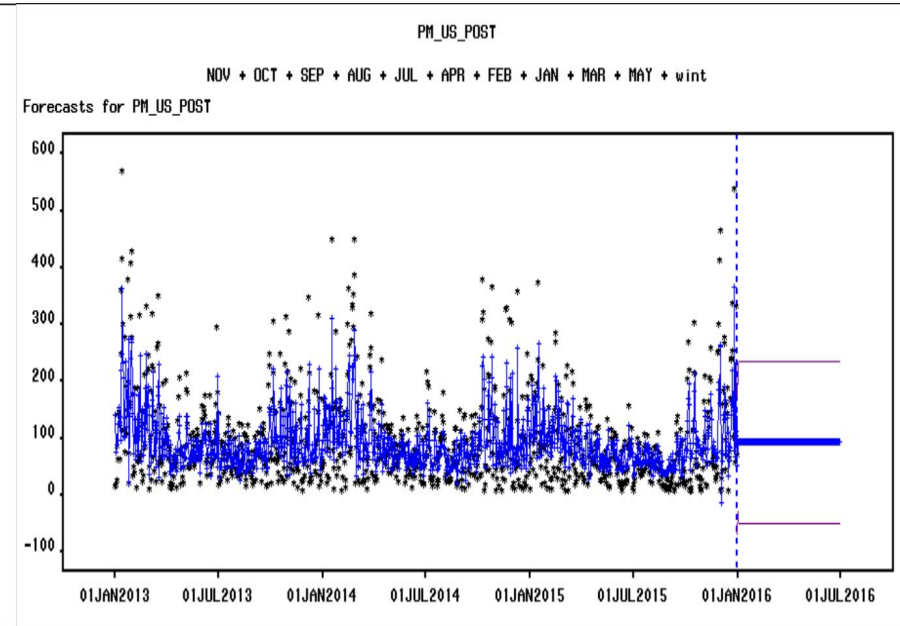


Figure 7: Actual versus Predicted Plot For for Seasonal Dummy Model with ARMA(1,1)

Deterministic Time Series Models – Cyclical Trend Model

| 1 | Obs | FREQ | PERIOD | P_01 |
|----|-----|---------|--------|-----------|
| 2 | 4 | 0.01721 | 365 | 581002.55 |
| 3 | 6 | 0.02869 | 219 | 133157.46 |
| 4 | 68 | 0.38445 | 16.34 | 121564.12 |
| 5 | 78 | 0.44183 | 14.22 | 95752.81 |
| 6 | 124 | 0.70578 | 8.9 | 93205.04 |
| 7 | 144 | 0.82054 | 7.66 | 90219.3 |
| 8 | 3 | 0.01148 | 547.5 | 84971.01 |
| 9 | 145 | 0.82628 | 7.6 | 82661.63 |
| 10 | 127 | 0.723 | 8.69 | 63930.53 |
| 11 | 114 | 0.6484 | 9.69 | 63774.39 |
| 12 | 29 | 0.16067 | 39.11 | 63042.94 |
| 13 | 32 | 0.17788 | 35.32 | 62152.14 |
| 14 | 54 | 0.30412 | 20.66 | 62103.19 |
| 15 | 147 | 0.83776 | 7.5 | 61966.58 |
| 16 | 188 | 1.07302 | 5.86 | 60499.38 |

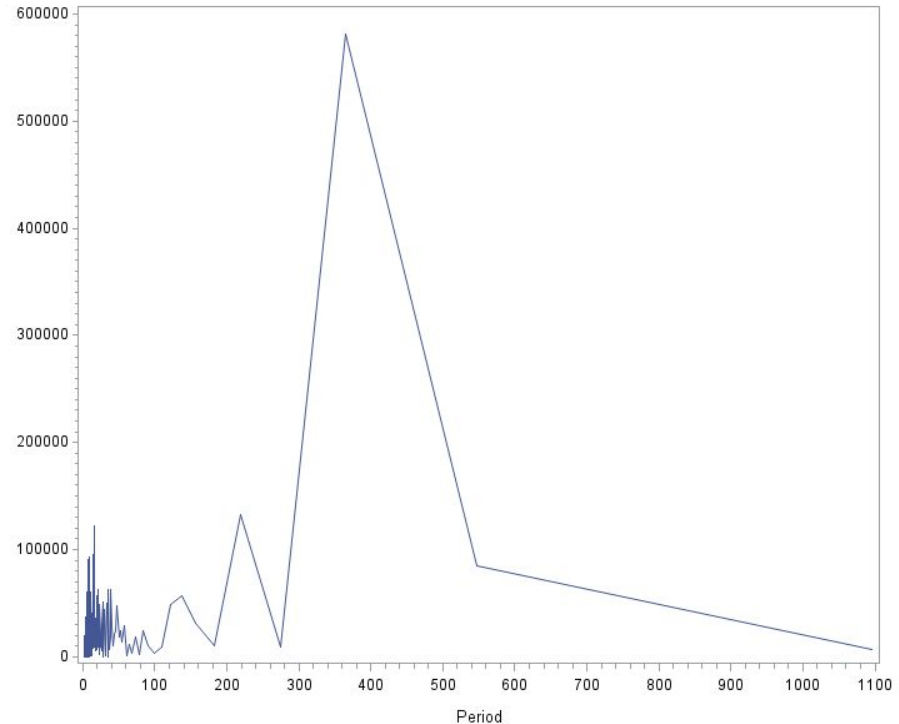


Figure 8: Periodogram Plot for PM2.5 Series

Deterministic Time Series Models – Cyclical Trend Model

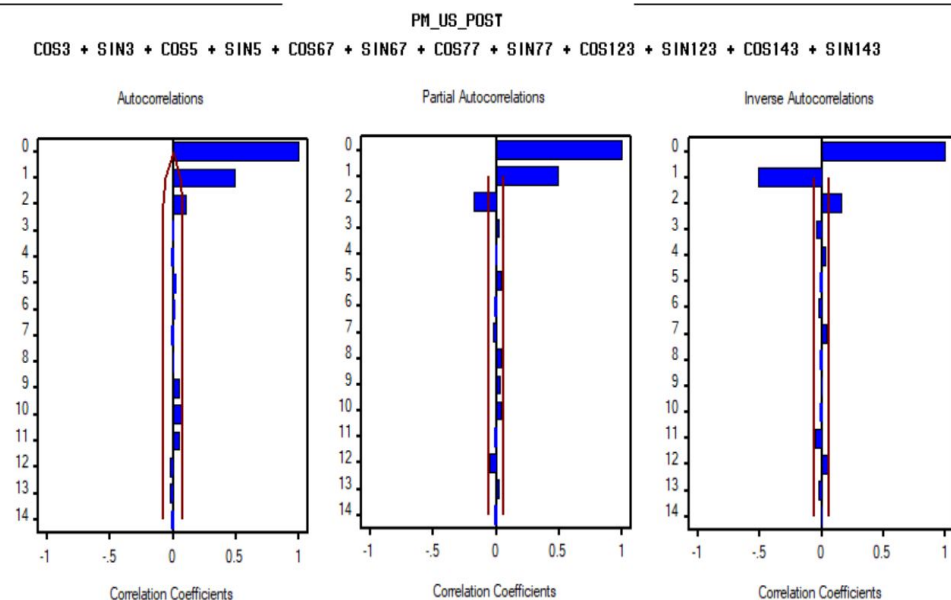


Figure 9: Autocorrelation Plot for Cyclical Trend Model



AR(2) or ARMA(1,1)

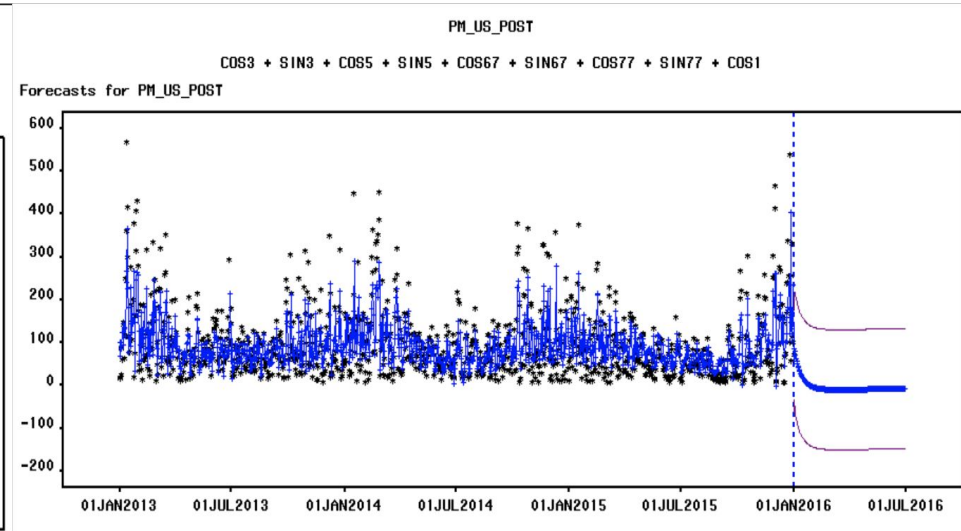


Figure 10: Actual versus Predicted Plot for Cyclical Trend Model with ARMA(1,1)

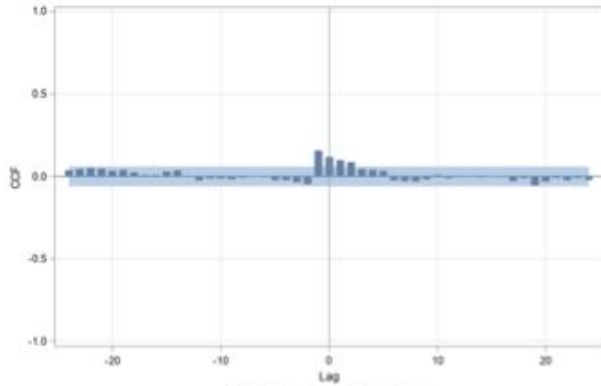


ARMA(1,1)

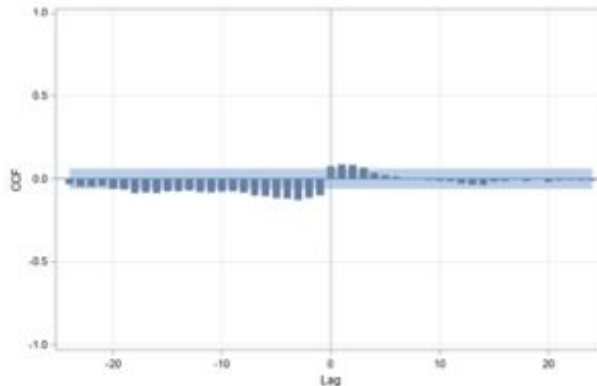
Transfer Function Model – Identification



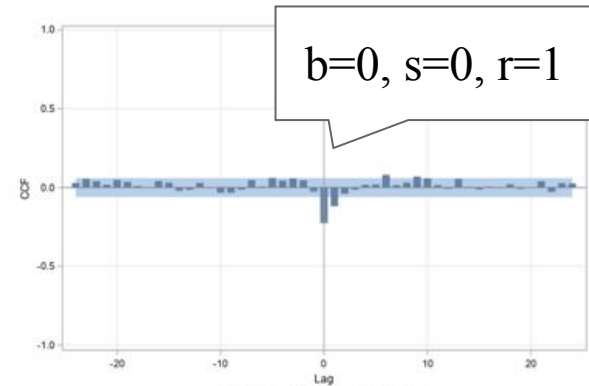
Temperature



Humidity

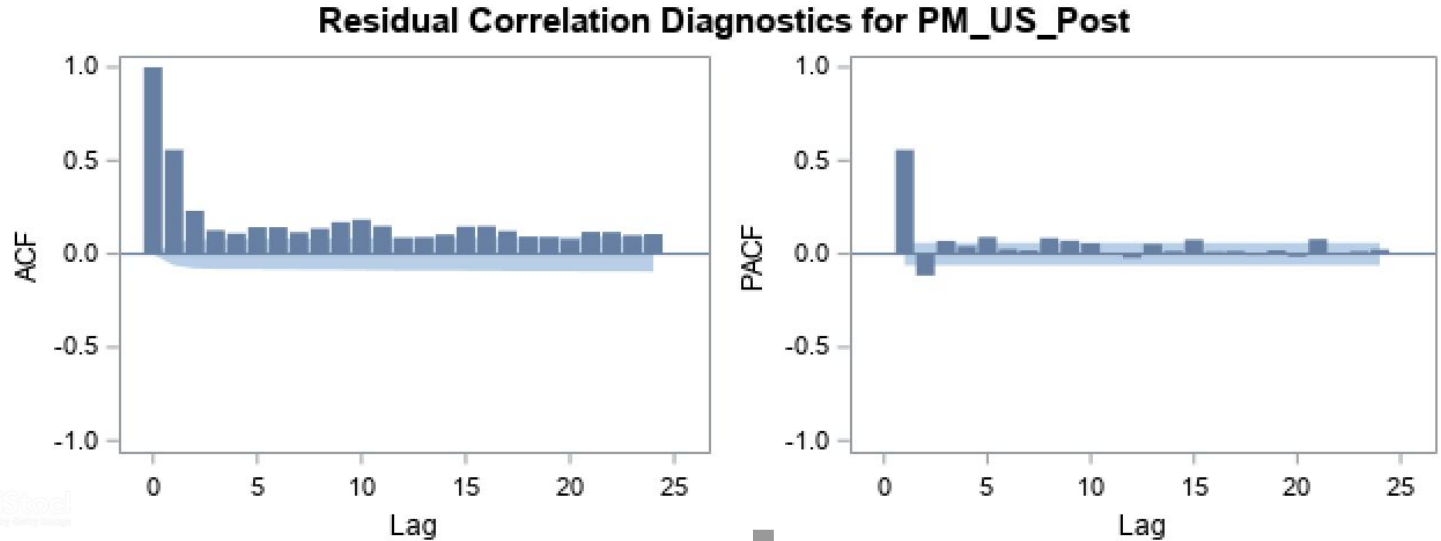


Wind Speed

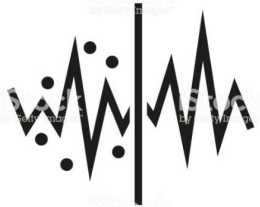


Transfer Function Model – Identification

AR(2)



TF-noise model



Transfer Function Model – Estimation

| Maximum Likelihood Estimation | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------------|---------|----------------|-----|------------|-------|
| Parameter | Estimate | Standard Error | T Value | Approx. Pr > t | Lag | Variable | Shift |
| MU | 108.9639 | 4.91213 | 22.18 | <.0001 | 0 | PM_US_POST | 0 |
| AR1,1 | 0.62287 | 0.03011 | 20.69 | <.0001 | 1 | PM_US_POST | 0 |
| AR1,2 | -0.11647 | 0.03020 | -3.86 | 0.0001 | 2 | PM_US_POST | 0 |
| ω_0 NUM1 | -0.44037 | 0.05459 | -8.07 | <.0001 | 0 | lws | 0 |
| δ_1 DEN1,1 | 0.39981 | 0.10520 | 3.80 | 0.0001 | 1 | lws | 0 |



- 1. $b=0, s=0, r=1$
- 2. wind speed AR(1)
- 3. residuals AR(2)

$$(1-0.62287B+0.11647B^2)PM=108.96399+(-0.44037/(1-0.39981))Wind\ Speed + \epsilon$$

Transfer Function Model – Validation

| Autocorrelation Check of Residuals | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|----|------------|------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| To Lag | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq | Autocorrelations | | | | | |
| 6 | 15.68 | 4 | 0.0035 | 0.009 | -0.034 | 0.033 | 0.015 | 0.079 | 0.074 |
| 12 | 38.91 | 10 | <.0001 | 0.005 | 0.047 | 0.069 | 0.089 | 0.076 | -0.017 |
| 18 | 55.21 | 16 | <.0001 | 0.039 | 0.015 | 0.079 | 0.065 | 0.048 | 0.012 |
| 24 | 70.24 | 22 | <.0001 | 0.053 | -0.017 | 0.077 | 0.051 | 0.02 | 0.038 |
| 30 | 91.89 | 28 | <.0001 | 0.049 | 0.05 | 0.003 | 0.086 | 0.052 | 0.065 |
| 36 | 105.42 | 34 | <.0001 | 0.035 | 0.084 | 0.004 | -0.027 | 0.021 | 0.05 |
| 42 | 116.28 | 40 | <.0001 | 0.038 | 0.032 | 0.014 | 0.063 | 0.054 | 0.008 |
| 48 | 124.82 | 46 | <.0001 | -0.001 | 0.007 | 0.054 | 0.06 | 0.029 | 0.005 |

Autocorrelation Check of Residuals



| Crosscorrelation Check of Residuals with Input Iws | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| To Lag | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq | Autocorrelations | | | | | |
| 5 | 1.76 | 5 | 0.8806 | 0.001 | -0.02 | 0.018 | 0.007 | 0.017 | 0.024 |
| 11 | 18.58 | 11 | 0.069 | 0.075 | -0.025 | 0.01 | 0.071 | 0.061 | -0.01 |
| 17 | 22.32 | 17 | 0.1726 | 0.001 | 0.058 | -0.006 | -0.006 | 0.002 | -0.003 |
| 23 | 29.6 | 23 | 0.1612 | 0.036 | -0.005 | 0.02 | 0.044 | -0.051 | 0.019 |
| 29 | 43.06 | 29 | 0.045 | 0.02 | 0.068 | 0.04 | 0.072 | -0.022 | 0.006 |
| 35 | 46.85 | 35 | 0.0869 | 0.019 | -0.032 | -0.004 | 0.034 | 0.011 | 0.029 |
| 41 | 49.05 | 41 | 0.1816 | 0.004 | 0.017 | -0.005 | -0.03 | 0.011 | -0.025 |
| 47 | 51.75 | 47 | 0.2937 | -0.008 | -0.023 | 0.005 | 0.029 | -0.03 | -0.011 |

Cross Correlation Check of Residuals with Input

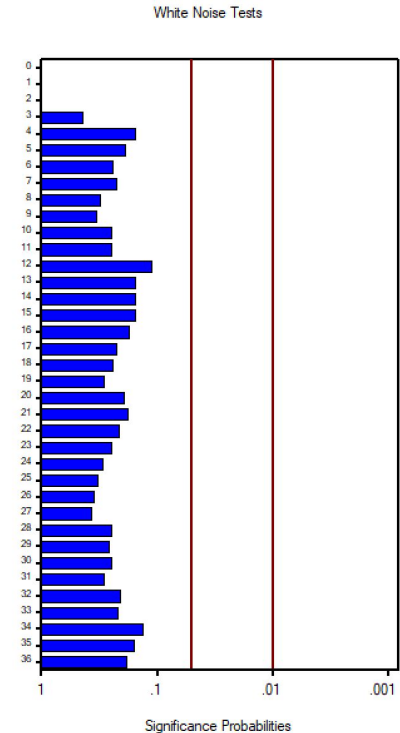


Model Comparisons

| Model | Model Title | RMSE | Model Variance |
|-------|---|----------|----------------|
| 1 | Seasonal Dummy with ARMA(1,1) and TF Model | 86.76707 | 3525 |
| 2 | Seasonal Dummy with AR(2) and TF Model | 87.94336 | 3500 |
| 3 | Seasonal Dummy Model with ARMA(1,1) | 92.57457 | 3796 |
| 4 | <u>Cyclical Trend with ARMA(1,1) and TF Model</u> | 85.07846 | 3457 |
| 5 | Cyclical Trend with AR(2) and TF Model | 88.39528 | 3396 |
| 6 | Cyclical Trend with ARMA(1,1) Model | 87.15351 | 3724 |

In general, cyclical trend model has a better performance than seasonal dummy model. The choice of best model varies as we select different criteria for evaluation and comparison.

The dynamic regressor of wind speed provides a more significant improvement in RMSE for seasonal dummy model.



Summary and Conclusions



- **Monthly** variation with large values occur mainly in winter
- No significant trend within the series
- **Cyclical trend model** captures periods with different length such as year, quarter and month.
- Only **wind speed** is eligible for a transfer function model
- Concerning with hold out samples, **Cyclical Trend with ARMA(1,1) and TF Model** provides the best fit



Thanks!



Q & A