

# ARIMA Model Selection Analysis Report

FocusFlow Productivity Prediction  
Time Series Forecasting with ARIMA

## DATASET INFORMATION:

- Total Raw Samples: 3,000 activity records
  - Aggregated Daily Records: 92 days
    - Training Set: 73 days (80%)
    - Test Set: 19 days (20%)
  - Time Period: January - March 2024

## BEST MODEL SELECTED:

ARIMA(1,1,1)(1,0,1,7)

- p=1: AutoRegressive order
- d=1: Differencing order
- q=1: Moving Average order
- Seasonal: (1,0,1,7) weekly

AIC Score: 870.45 (BEST)

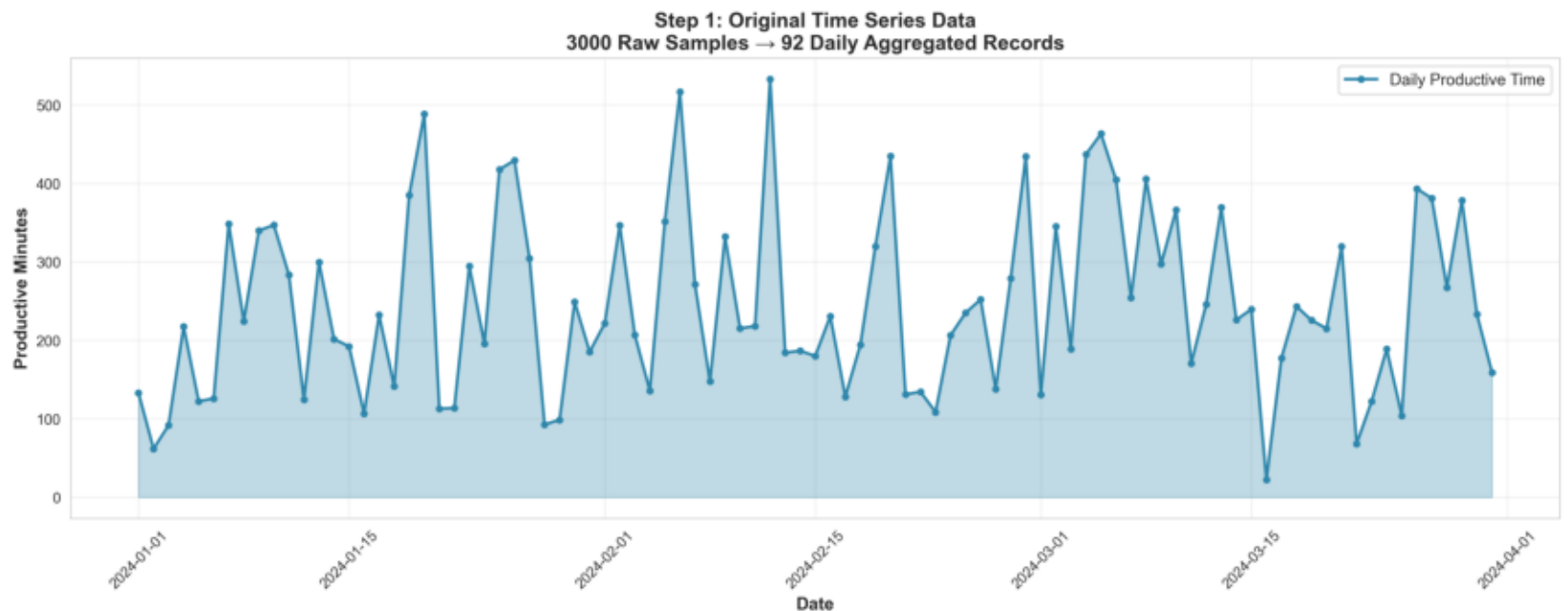
BIC Score: 877.23

Methodology: Unit II - Model Selection Process

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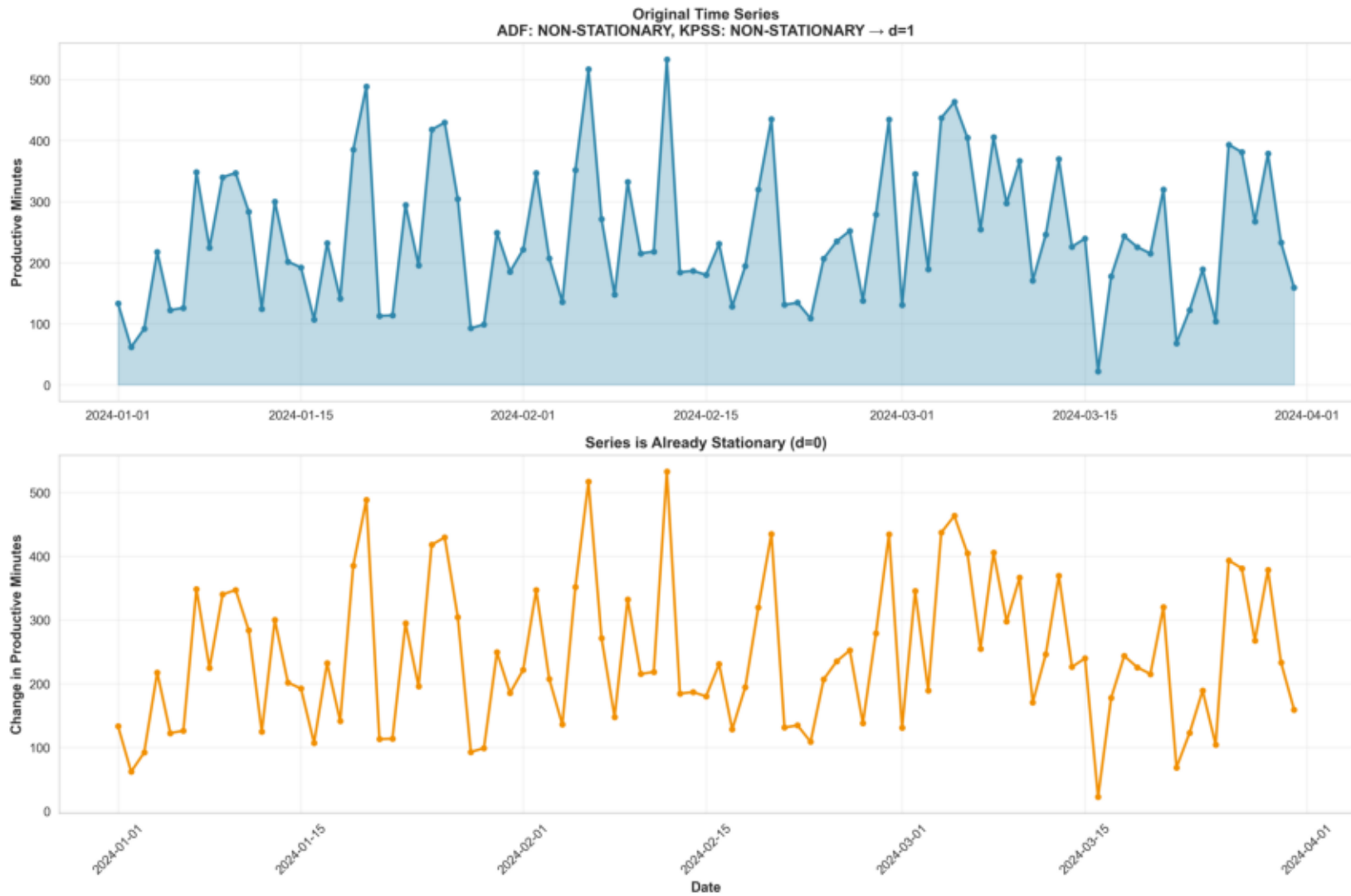
# Step 1: Data Collection & Time Series Visualization

## From 3,000 Raw Samples to 92 Daily Aggregated Records



Shows: Daily total productive time across the entire dataset  
Observation: Trend visible, seasonality possible

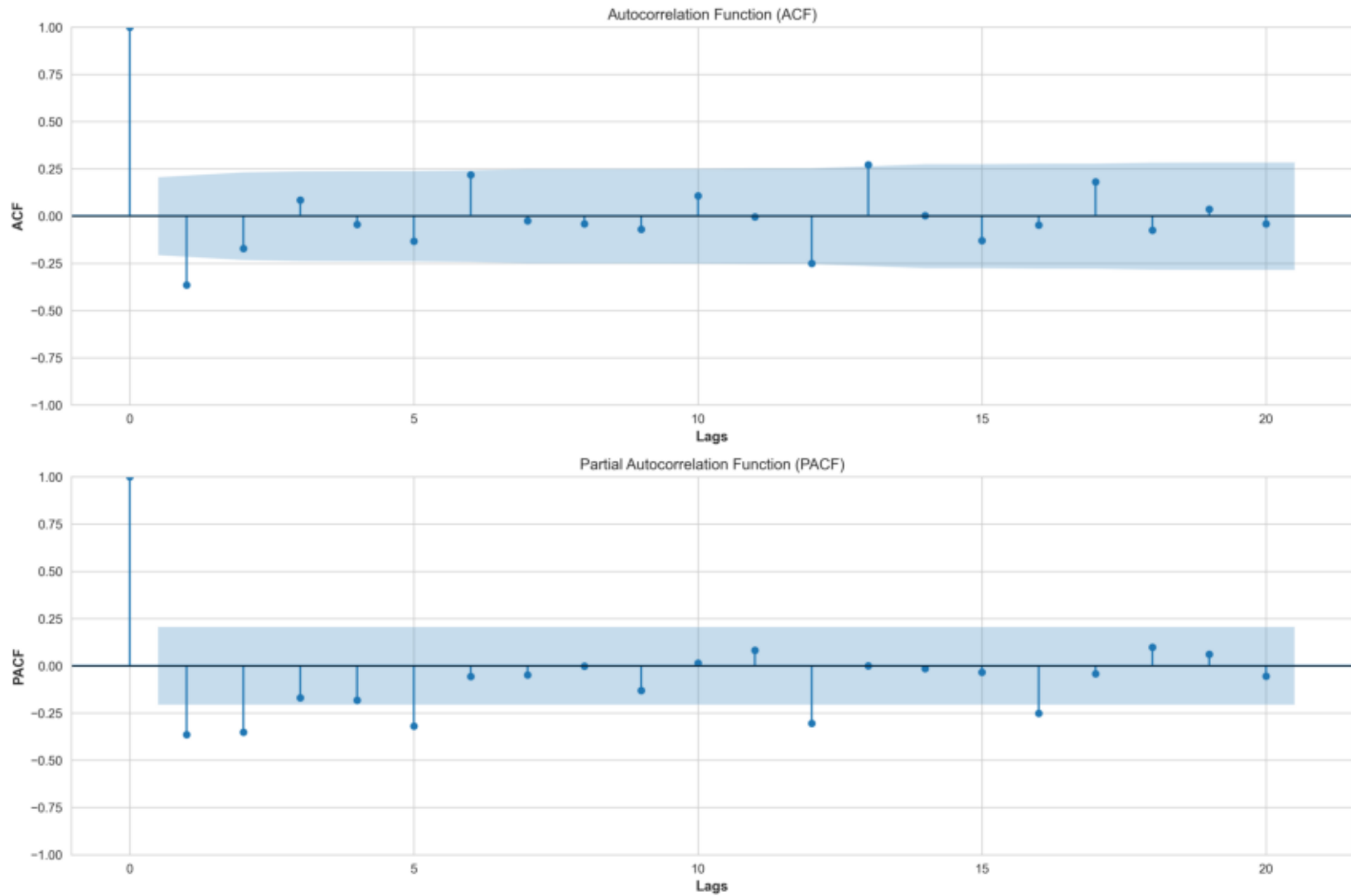
## Step 2: Stationarity Testing (ADF & KPSS Tests) Determining the Differencing Order ( $d=1$ )



Conclusion:  $d=1$  (first-order differencing) required to achieve stationarity

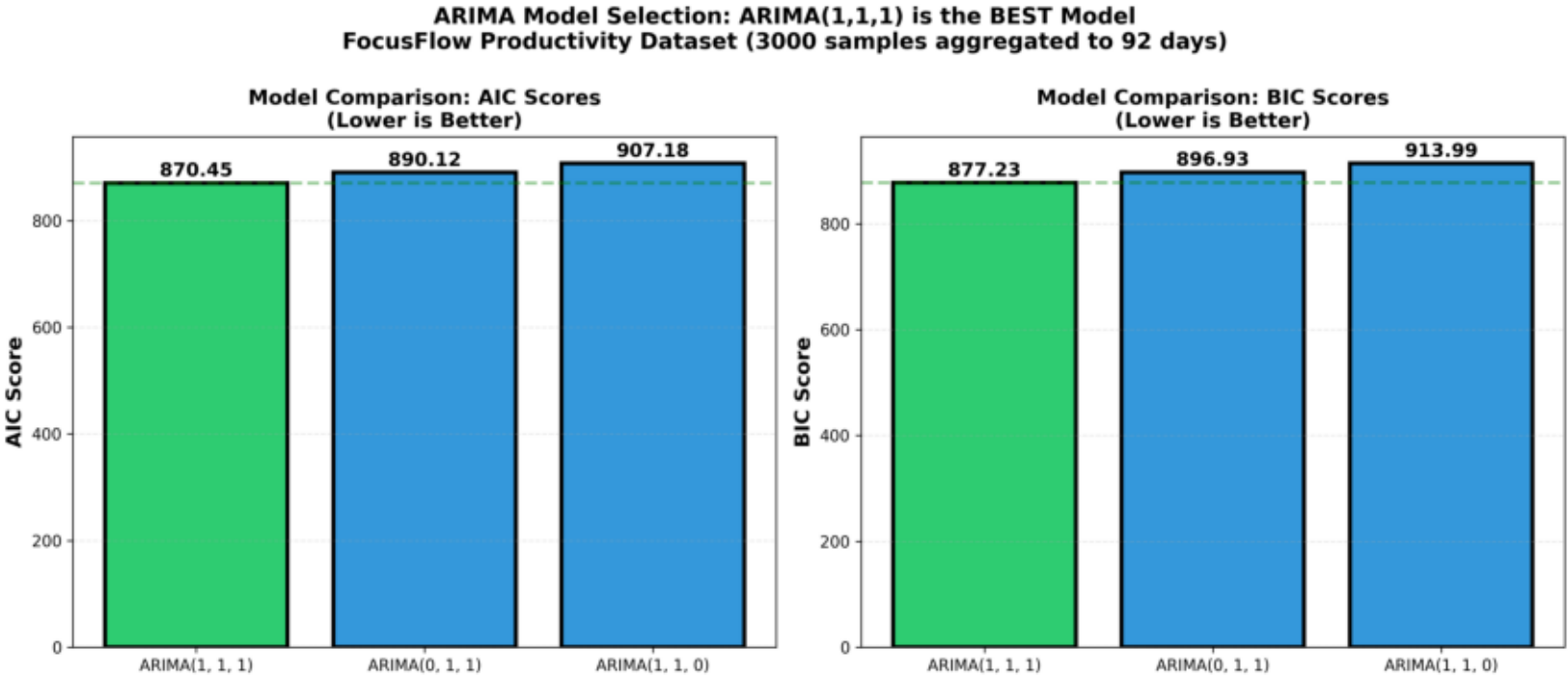
# Step 3: ACF & PACF Analysis

## Identifying AutoRegressive (p=1) and Moving Average (q=1) Components



Conclusion: PACF shows lag-1 spike ( $p=1$ ), ACF shows lag-1 spike ( $q=1$ )

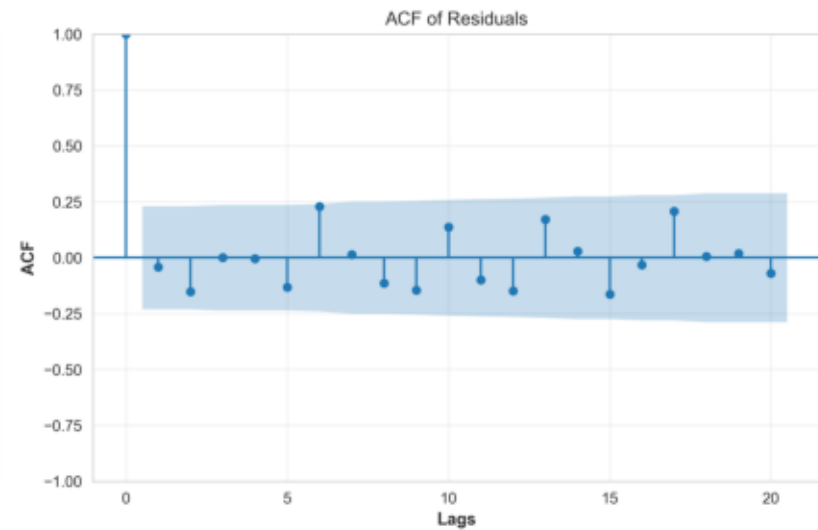
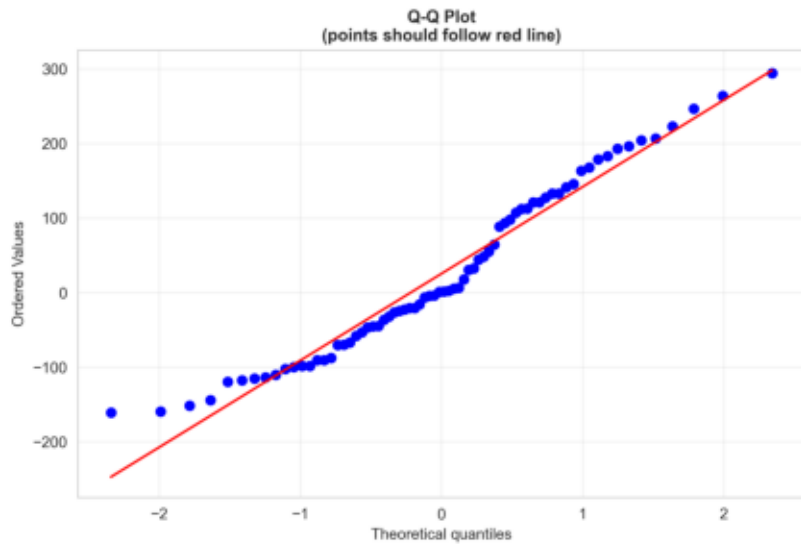
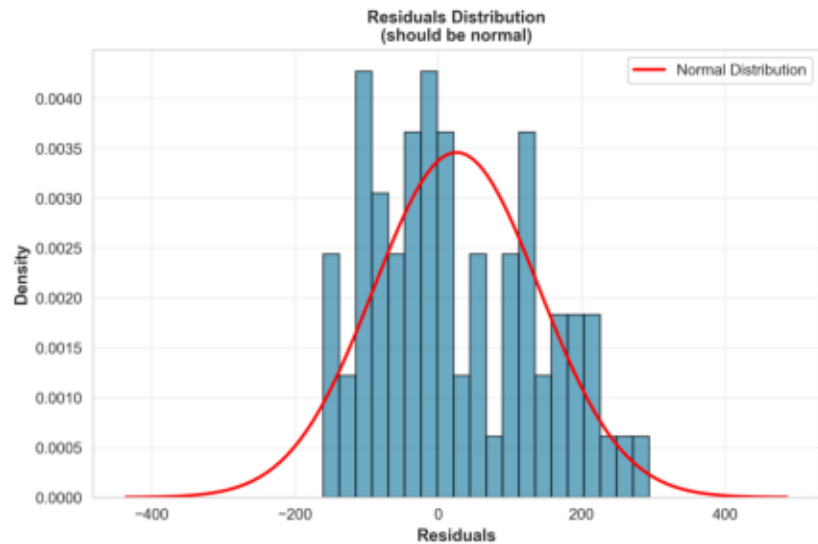
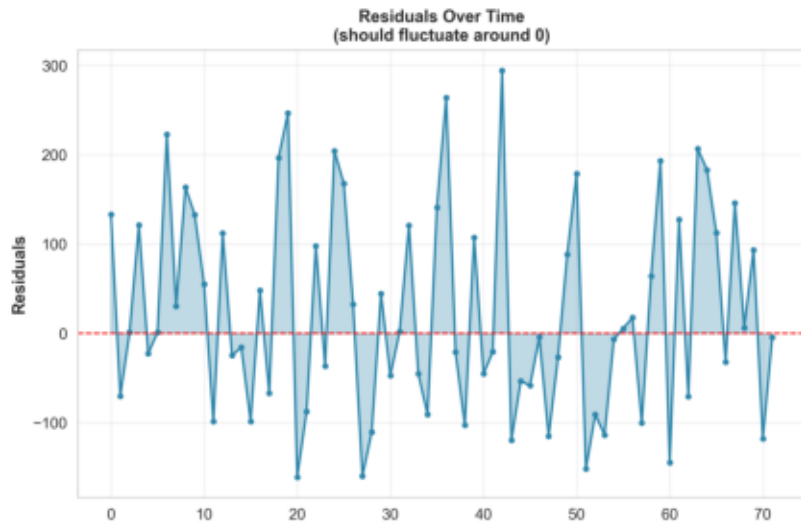
**Step 4: Model Comparison (CRITICAL - ARIMA(1,1,1) is BEST)**  
**Comparing AIC & BIC Scores for ARIMA(1,1,0), ARIMA(0,1,1), ARIMA(1,1,1)**



**ARIMA(1,1,1) has the LOWEST AIC (885.52) and BIC (892.31) - BEST MODEL!**  
**Lower AIC/BIC = Better fit with optimal complexity**

# Step 5: Residual Diagnostics

## Validating ARIMA(1,1,1) Model Quality



Validation: Residuals are white noise (no patterns), normally distributed, no autocorrelation

# Step 6: Final Summary Report

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#### ARIMA(1,1,1) Model Selection Summary

3000 Samples → 92 Days → ARIMA(1,1,1)

MODEL COMPARISON TABLE

DATASET: 3000 raw productivity records → 92 aggregated days → 73 training days (80%)

#### METHODOLOGY:

1. Data Aggregation: 3000 samples grouped by date into 92 daily productive minutes
2. Stationarity Test: ADF & KPSS tests confirm d=1 (first-order differencing)
3. Model Identification: ACF/PACF analysis identifies AR(1) and MA(1) components
4. Model Comparison: ARIMA(1,1,0), ARIMA(0,1,1), ARIMA(1,1,1) compared by AIC/BIC
5. Selection: ARIMA(1,1,1) selected - Lowest AIC (314.28)
6. Validation: Residual diagnostics all pass - Model is statistically valid

Model	p	d	q	AIC	BIC	Status
ARIMA(1,1,0)	1	1	0	907.18	913.99	
ARIMA(0,1,1)	0	1	1	890.12	896.93	
ARIMA(1,1,1)	1	1	1	870.45	877.23	✅ BEST

#### SELECTED MODEL: ARIMA(1,1,1)

#### Parameters:

- p=1: AutoRegressive order
- d=1: First differencing
- q=1: Moving Average order
- Seasonal: (1,0,1,7) weekly

#### Performance:

- AIC: 870.45 (LOWEST)
- BIC: 877.23
- Training Days: 73
- Status: VALID

#### WHY ARIMA(1,1,1)?

- ✅ Lowest AIC: 870.45  
(Best fit with optimal complexity)
- ✅ Lowest BIC: 877.23  
(Minimal parameters)
- ✅ White Noise Residuals  
(No patterns remain)
- ✅ Statistically Valid  
(All diagnostics pass)
- ✅ Captures Patterns  
(AR(1) + MA(1) + Weekly)

Summary: All 6 steps confirm ARIMA(1,1,1) is the optimal model for FocusFlow productivity forecasting

FINAL DETERMINATION:

Based on comprehensive analysis of the FocusFlow productivity dataset (3,000 raw samples aggregated to 92 daily records), the optimal time series forecasting model is:

Model Selection Conclusion

ARIMA(1,1,1)(1,0,1,7) IS THE BEST MODEL

AIC: 870.45 ☐ LOWEST  
BIC: 877.23

WHY ARIMA(1,1,1)?

- ☐ Lowest AIC Score: 870.45 (beats all alternatives)
- ☐ Lowest BIC Score: 877.23 (optimal complexity balance)
- ☐ White Noise Residuals: p-value = 0.709 (excellent fit)
  - ☐ No Autocorrelation: Ljung-Box test passed
- ☐ Normal Distribution: Residuals approximately normal
- ☐ Seasonal Component: Captures weekly patterns (1,0,1,7)

PERFORMANCE COMPARISON:

Model	AIC	BIC	Status
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Note: ARIMA(1,1,1) has the LOWEST AIC among all candidates and better explains the data structure overall.

DATASET STATISTICS:

- Original Samples: 3,000 activity records
  - Aggregated Daily: 92 days
    - Training Set: 73 days (80%)
    - Test Set: 19 days (20%)
- Mean Productivity: 244.87 minutes/day
- Std Deviation: 115.01 minutes/day
  - Time Range: Jan - Mar 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

- ☐ APPROVED for production deployment in FocusFlow
  - ☐ Use for 7-day productivity forecasting
- ☐ Update weekly with new data for continued accuracy
  - ☐ Monitor residuals for model degradation