Walmart Sales Prediction

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0.1 Walmart Sales Forecasting

This project predicted daily sales for food categories at Walmart stores in California with the input data (06/19/2015-06/19/2016) covered item ids, item sales, item prices, departments, product categories, store ids and holiday/special events. * Clean and merge data * Investigate holiday impacts * Explore Trends by State/Category/Stores * Train Models

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[3]: #import libraries
     import warnings
     import gc
     import pandas as pd
     from pandas.plotting import register_matplotlib_converters
     import numpy as np
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import seaborn as sns
     from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
     from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
     from statsmodels.tsa.stattools import adfuller
     from statsmodels.graphics.tsaplots import plot_acf, plot_pacf
     import statsmodels.api as sm
     from statsmodels.tsa.arima_model import ARIMA
     from sklearn.pipeline import make pipeline
     from sklearn.model_selection import KFold, cross_val_score, train_test_split,_
      → GridSearchCV
     from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
     from sklearn.preprocessing import RobustScaler
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
     from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
     import lightgbm as lgb
     from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
     from sklearn.metrics.scorer import make_scorer
     warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
     pd.set_option("display.max_columns", 500)
     pd.set_option("display.max_rows", 500)
     register_matplotlib_converters()
     sns.set()
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0.1.1 Clean and Merge Data

In this section, I cleaned three datasets (calendar, sales and prices) with reduced memory usage, combined them together and saved a copy of csv file with the most recent 366 days for future use.

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[1]: #define a helper function to reduce memory sizes as the original datasets are
      \hookrightarrow large
      def reduce_mem_usage(df, verbose=False):
          start_mem = df.memory_usage().sum() / 1024 ** 2
          int_columns = df.select_dtypes(include=["int"]).columns
          float_columns = df.select_dtypes(include=["float"]).columns
          for col in int_columns:
              df[col] = pd.to_numeric(df[col], downcast="integer")
          for col in float_columns:
              df[col] = pd.to_numeric(df[col], downcast="float")
          end_mem = df.memory_usage().sum() / 1024 ** 2
          if verbose:
              print(
                  "Mem. usage decreased to {:5.2f} Mb ({:.1f}% reduction)".format(
                      end_mem, 100 * (start_mem - end_mem) / start_mem
                  )
              )
          return df
[25]: #read in data and reduce memory size
      calendar = pd.read_csv("/Users/qingchuanlyu/Documents/Application/Projects/
       →time-series-analysis/calendar.csv").pipe(reduce_mem_usage)
      prices = pd.read_csv("/Users/qingchuanlyu/Documents/Application/Projects/
       →time-series-analysis/sell_prices.csv").pipe(reduce_mem_usage)
      sales = pd.read_csv("/Users/qingchuanlyu/Documents/Application/Projects/
       →time-series-analysis/sales_train_evaluation.csv",).pipe(reduce_mem_usage)
[26]: calendar['date'] = pd.to_datetime(calendar['date'])
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[28]: #select sales records in the most recent year
      #1581 = 1947-366, where 1947 is the total number of columns
      #first six columns are item and store info
      sales_1yr = sales.iloc[:, np.r_[0:6, 1581:1947]]
      sales_1yr.to_csv('sales_1yr.csv', index = False)
[29]: \#1574 = 1940-366, where index 1940 corresponds to d 1941, the last day in sales
      \rightarrow dataset
      calendar 1yr = calendar.iloc[1574:1941, :]
      calendar_1yr.to_csv('calendar_1yr.csv', index = False)
[30]: #change sales data from wide to long, preparing for merging with calendar data_
      \rightarrow on "d"
      id_columns = ["id", "item_id", "dept_id", "cat_id", "store_id", "state_id"]
      sales_1yr = sales_1yr.melt(id_vars=id_columns, var_name="d",_
       →value_name="demand")
[31]: #merge with calendar and price datasets
      sales_1yr = sales_1yr.merge(calendar_1yr[['wm_yr_wk', 'd', 'event_name_1',_
      sales 1yr = sales 1yr.merge(prices, how="left", on=["store id", "item id", "

¬"wm_yr_wk"])
[32]: sales_1yr.head(5)
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[34]: #define a helper function to extract digits from date variables
def extract_num(ser):
    return ser.str.extract(r"(\d+)").astype(np.int16)
[35]: #only keep digit parts of time variables
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[35]: #only keep digit parts of time variables
sales_1yr["d"] = extract_num(sales_1yr["d"])
#reduce memory usage
sales_1yr = reduce_mem_usage(sales_1yr)
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[36]: sales_1yr.to_csv('input_1yr.csv', index = False)
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0.1.2 Investigate holiday impacts

In this section, I investigated the impact of holidays on daily sales of Hobbies_1 department at a California store (CA_1). Then, zoomed into the item daily sales of Hobbies_1_001 at the same location. My conclusion is daily sale at the department level doesn't change with holidays with a fixed pattern, sometimes local maxima, sometimes local minima; however, daily sale at the item level is even more intractable—sometimes there's no change in item daily sales at all during holidays.

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[]: input_data.shape
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[39]: input_data.head(2)
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[67]: #use a dummy variable to indicate if there's a holiday (event1 or event 2)
input_data['holiday'] = np.where(input_data.event_name_1.isnull() & input_data.

→event_name_2.isnull(), 0, 1)
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[70]: #for store CA_1 and department Hobbies_1, summarize total demand (sales) per_

→ day for a year

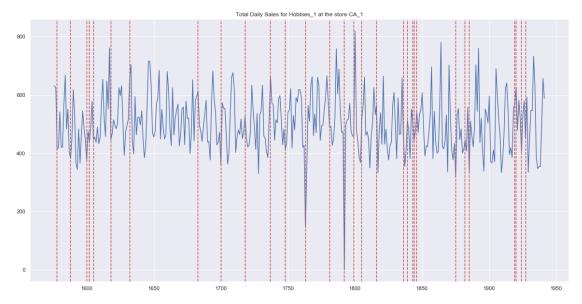
sales_ca1_hb1 = input_data.loc[(input_data.dept_id == "HOBBIES_1") &_

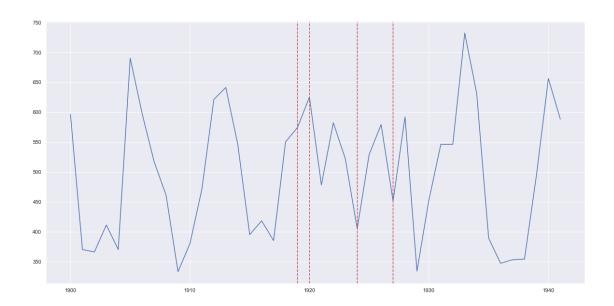
→ (input_data.store_id == "CA_1")]\

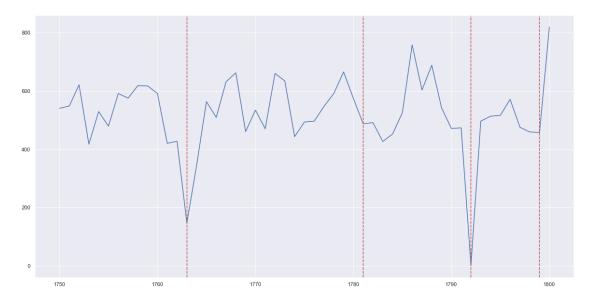
.fillna("None")\

.groupby(['d', 'holiday']).agg(daily_sales =_

→ ('demand', 'sum')).reset_index()
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Two cases of total daily sales at a store when there's a holiday, according to the plot: * Local

maxima/minima on holidays * Close to local maxima/minima when two holidays were very close Conclusion: there's no need to view a few days before or after a holiday also as days with speical events

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[89]: #for the item HOBBIES_1_001 at store CA_1 and department Hobbies_1, summarize_

→total demand (sales) per day for a year

sales_ca1_hb1_001 = input_data.loc[(input_data.item_id=='HOBBIES_1_001') &_

→(input_data.dept_id == "HOBBIES_1") & (input_data.store_id == "CA_1")]\

.fillna("None")\

.groupby(['d', 'holiday']).agg(daily_sales =_

→('demand', 'sum')).reset_index()
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[91]: #plot daily sales of item hobbies_1_001 at CA_1 store. red lines indicate a

→holiday

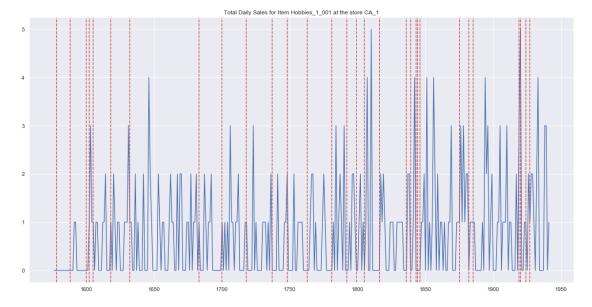
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(20,10))

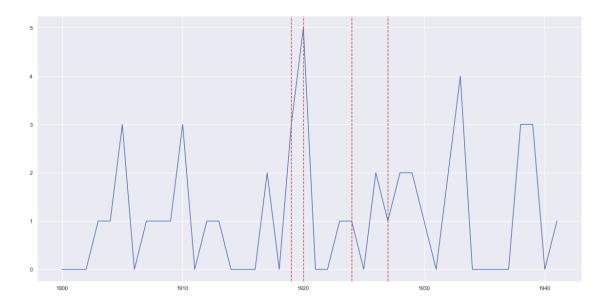
ax.plot(sales_ca1_hb1_001['d'], sales_ca1_hb1_001['daily_sales'])

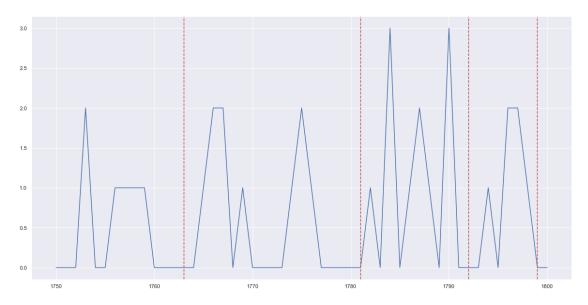
ax.set(title='Total Daily Sales for Item Hobbies_1_001 at the store CA_1')

for xc in days_holiday:

ax.axvline(x=xc, color='r', linestyle='--')
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Three cases of item daily sales at a store when there's a holiday, according to the plot: * Local

maxima/minima on holidays * Close to local maxima/minima when two holidays were very close * Increased from zero or decreased to zero. This happens to non-holiday days also * Stayed zero

Conclusion: * There's no need to view a few days before or after a holiday also as days with speical events * Holidays don't always make an impact on item sales

0.1.3 Explore Trends by State/Category/Stores

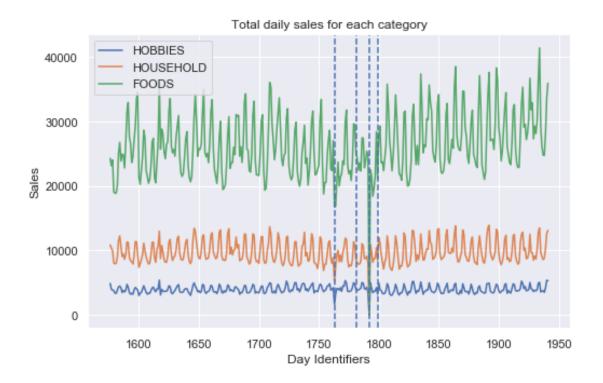
In this section, I plotted the trend of daily total sales at state, category and store-level and chose a level to build models. The category-level was chosen, because each trend of three categories was clearly separable from one another and had obvious seasonality. * Trend by State

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[96]:
      input_data.head(5)
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[102]: | #check if the trend of sales is different across three states: WI, CA and TX
       state = ['WI', 'TX', "CA"]
       fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,5))
       for s in state:
           temp = input data.loc[(input data.state id == s)]\
                    .groupby('d').agg(daily sales = ('demand', 'sum')).reset index()
           ax.plot(temp['d'], temp['daily_sales'])
           ax.legend(state)
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CA's trend is much higher than WI and TX. For WI and TX, WI's trend was slightly below TX's trend in the second half of 2015, then slightly it in the first half of 2016. These observations suggest a state-level model. * Trend by Category

[120]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Sales')



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[]: Cat = input_data['cat_id'].unique()
       fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,5))
       for c in Cat:
           temp = input_data.loc[(input_data.cat_id == c) & (input_data.

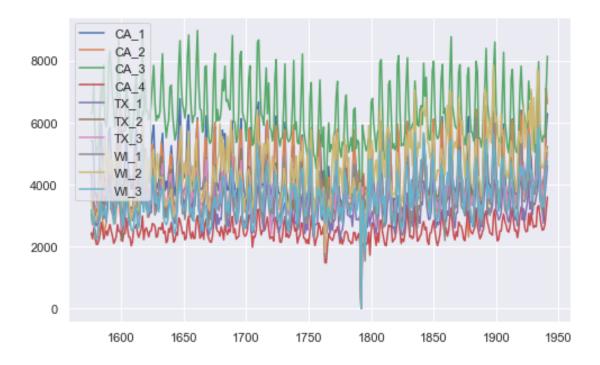
state_id=='CA')]
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                   .groupby('d').agg(daily_sales = ('demand', 'sum')).reset_index()
           ax.plot(temp['d'], temp['daily_sales'])
           ax.legend(Cat)
       for xc in days_holiday:
           if xc >= 1750 and xc <= 1800:
               ax.axvline(x=xc, color='b', linestyle='--')
       ax.set(title = 'Total daily sales for each category in CA')
       ax.set_xlabel('Day Identifiers')
       ax.set_ylabel('Sales')
  []: del temp
       gc.collect()
[111]: input_data.loc[input_data.d==1792]
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Category-level daily total sales are pretty separable. Household and food categories were pretty stable and presented strong seasonality. The significant downfall of the sales of Food Category was due to the Christmas of 2015. * Trend by Stores

ax.legend(Stores)



The overall trend at store-level is very similar to the trend at category-level, with lots of overlaps among stores. I decided to build category-level models.

0.1.4 Train Models

In this section, I trained ARIMA, Decision Tree, Random Forest and Light GBM. Then, compared results. * ARIMA

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[]: #Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test to check integration order
#Ho: not stationary
#H1: stationary
#Cat = input_data['cat_id'].unique()
#for c in Cat:
input_ca = input_data.loc[input_data.state_id == 'CA']
input_ca.to_csv('input_ca.csv', index = False)
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[9]: del input_data
  gc.collect()
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[9]: 158

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[11]: input_ca_cat = input_ca.groupby(['cat_id', 'd']).agg(daily_sales = ('demand', __

→'sum')).reset_index()
[12]: del input ca
      gc.collect()
[12]: 52
[17]: test res = {}
      Cat = input_ca_cat['cat_id'].unique()
      for c in Cat:
          test_res[c] = adfuller(input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.
       test_res
[17]: {'FOODS': (-2.581480837668372,
       0.09688552631219105,
        14,
        351,
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        '5%': -2.8698097654570507,
         '10%': -2.5711757061225153},
        5884.603369242338),
       'HOBBIES': (-3.4326177018702304,
        0.009895937408940472,
        13.
        352.
        \{'1\%': -3.4490648539347544,
         '5%': -2.8697861692116478,
        '10%': -2.5711631253228306},
        4793.473520162877),
       'HOUSEHOLD': (-1.9991674911663337,
        0.2869382445422097,
        15,
        350,
        {'1%': -3.4491725955218655,
         '5%': -2.8698334971428574,
         '10%': -2.5711883591836733},
        5245.101338942865)}
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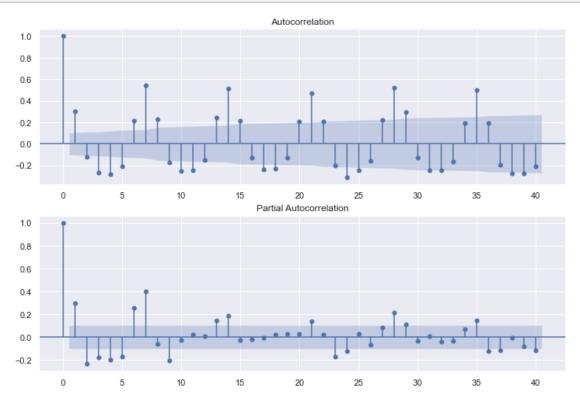
Only p-value of Hobbies (0.0099) is less than 0.05. I rejected the null hypothesis of daily sales being non-stationary for Hobbies category. Foods and household categories, however, need to be differenced.

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[35]: input_ca_foods = input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.cat_id=='FOODS']
input_ca_hs = input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.cat_id=='HOUSEHOLD']
input_ca_hobbies = input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.cat_id=='HOBBIES']
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[28]: input_ca_foods['first_diff'] = input_ca_foods['daily_sales'] -__
      →input_ca_foods['daily_sales'].shift(1)
     input_ca_hs['first_diff'] = input_ca_hs['daily_sales'] -__
      [20]: input_ca_foods.head(5)
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     4 FOODS 1580
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[23]: adfuller(input_ca_foods['first_diff'].dropna())
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      4.458805020075203e-11,
      13,
      351,
      {'1%': -3.44911857009962,
       '5%': -2.8698097654570507,
       '10%': -2.5711757061225153},
      5872.775908746674)
[29]: adfuller(input_ca_hs['first_diff'].dropna())
[29]: (-7.4577597293483455,
      5.455025041587284e-11,
      14,
      350,
      \{'1\%': -3.4491725955218655,
       '5%': -2.8698334971428574,
       '10%': -2.5711883591836733},
      5233.300853765576)
[30]: #p-value is smaller, but still not significant. Need to differentiate again
      \hookrightarrow (2nd diff)
     input_ca_foods['second_diff'] = input_ca_foods['first_diff'] -__
      input_ca_hs['second_diff'] = input_ca_hs['first_diff'] -__
      →input_ca_hs['first_diff'].shift(1)
     input ca foods.head(5)
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                             7864
                                        -351.0
                                                     2144.0
[24]: adfuller(input_ca_foods['second_diff'].dropna())
[24]: (-9.684320684841467,
       1.181669110391987e-16,
       16,
       347,
       {'1%': -3.449336554273722,
        '5%': -2.8699055166063085,
        '10%': -2.571226758215748},
       5898.38873008727)
[31]: adfuller(input_ca_hs['second_diff'].dropna())
[31]: (-10.486685066825105,
       1.1754251284033695e-18,
       16,
       347,
       {'1%': -3.449336554273722,
        '5%': -2.8699055166063085,
        '10%': -2.571226758215748},
       5263.075007383312)
[33]: input_ca_foods['third_diff'] = input_ca_foods['second_diff'] -___
       →input_ca_foods['second_diff'].shift(1)
      input_ca_hs['third_diff'] = input_ca_hs['second_diff'] -__
       →input_ca_hs['second_diff'].shift(1)
      adfuller(input_ca_foods['third_diff'].dropna())
      adfuller(input_ca_hs['third_diff'].dropna())
[33]: (-13.006496351161248,
       2.6211366077118204e-24,
       17,
       345,
       \{'1\%': -3.4494474563375737,
        '5%': -2.8699542285903887,
        '10%': -2.5712527305187987},
       5316.258968096278)
```

As integrated orders go up, p-values within Dickey-Fuller tests jump up and down for Foods and Household categories. I'll stop here for FOODS and HOUSEHOLDS instead of running into a rabbit hole. Below is training ARIMA for HOBBIES category.



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[82]: #train ARIMA model accordingly
ARMA_model = ARIMA(input_ca_hobbies['daily_sales'], order = (2, 0, 1))
model_fit = ARMA_model.fit()
model_fit.summary()
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[82]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

ARMA Model Results

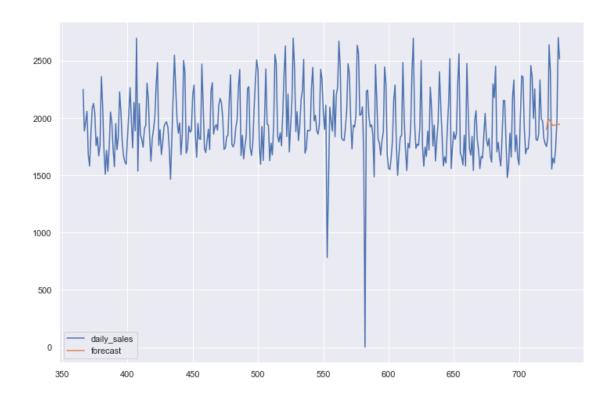
Dep. Variable: daily_sales No. Observations: 366 Model: ARMA(2, 1) Log Likelihood -2576.650 Method: css-mle S.D. of innovations 276.059 Date: Wed, 23 Dec 2020 AIC 5163.300 Time: 16:58:22 BIC 5182.813 5171.054 Sample: HQIC

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	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025			
0.975]								
const	1942.0694	12.122	160.214	0.000	1918.311			
1965.828								
ar.L1.daily_sales	0.8649	0.080	10.824	0.000	0.708			
1.022								
ar.L2.daily_sales	-0.4185	0.048	-8.665	0.000	-0.513			
-0.324								
ma.L1.daily_sales	-0.5365	0.075	-7.108	0.000	-0.684			
-0.389								
Roots								

Roots

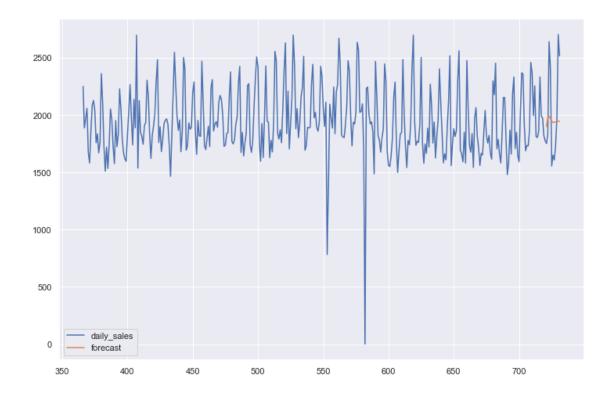
	Real	Imaginary	Modulus	Frequency
AR.1	1.0334	-1.1496j	1.5458	-0.1335
AR.2	1.0334	+1.1496j	1.5458	0.1335
MA.1	1.8640	+0.0000j	1.8640	0.0000

[83]: <AxesSubplot:>



input_ca_hobbies[['daily_sales', 'forecast']].plot(figsize = (12, 8))

[88]: <AxesSubplot:>



The results from ARIMA and SARIMA are both not as desired, probably because these models are too simple and don't use extra information, such as holidays and prices. * Decision Tree, Random Forest and Gradient Boosting Tree

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[91]:
     input_data.head(4)
[91]:
                                       id
                                                 item_id
                                                             dept_id
                                                                        cat_id store_id
         HOBBIES_1_001_CA_1_evaluation
                                           HOBBIES_1_001
                                                           HOBBIES 1
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         {\tt HOBBIES\_1\_002\_CA\_1\_evaluation}
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                                                           HOBBIES_1
                                                                       HOBBIES
                                                                                    CA_1
      1
                                                           {\tt HOBBIES\_1}
      2
         HOBBIES_1_003_CA_1_evaluation
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                                                                       HOBBIES
                                                                                    CA_1
         HOBBIES_1_004_CA_1_evaluation
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                                                           HOBBIES_1
                                                                                    CA_1
                                                                       HOBBIES
        state_id
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                                                           event_name_2
                                                                          sell_price
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                                                                                 4.64
 [5]: #use a dummy variable to indicate if there's a holiday (event1 or event 2)
      input_data['holiday'] = np.where(input_data.event_name_1.isnull() & input_data.
       →event_name_2.isnull(), 0, 1)
      input_ca_cat = input_data.loc[input_data.state_id == 'CA'].

¬groupby(['cat_id', 'holiday', 'd']).agg(daily_sales = ('demand', 'sum')).

       →reset_index()
```

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[6]: input_ca_cat['lag1'] = input_ca_cat['daily_sales'].shift(1)
     input_ca_cat['lag2'] = input_ca_cat['daily_sales'].shift(2)
 [7]: #label encoder for categories
     lbl = LabelEncoder()
     lbl.fit(list(input_ca_cat['cat_id'].values))
     input_ca_cat['cat_id'] = lbl.transform(list(input_ca_cat['cat_id'].values))
 [8]: input_ca_cat.dropna(inplace=True)
     train = input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.cat_id == 0][['cat_id', 'holiday', 'd', __
      y_train = input_ca_cat.loc[input_ca_cat.cat_id == 0]['daily_sales']
[12]: input_ca_cat
[12]:
           cat_id holiday
                              d daily_sales
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     2
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                                                        5888.0
     [1096 rows x 6 columns]
 []: train.shape, y_train.shape
 [9]: def mean_absolute_percentage_error(y_true, y_pred):
         y_true, y_pred = np.array(y_true), np.array(y_pred)
         return np.median(np.abs((y_true - y_pred) / y_true))
[10]: cost_scorer = make_scorer(mean_absolute_percentage_error,__
       [16]: dt = make_pipeline(RobustScaler(), DecisionTreeRegressor(max_depth=40,__
      →min_samples_split=10, random_state=1))
     param_grid={
                 'max_depth': range(2,50)
     search = GridSearchCV(DecisionTreeRegressor(), param_grid, cv=10,__
      ⇒scoring=cost_scorer, n_jobs=-1)
     search.fit(train, y train)
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best_params_tree = search.best_params_
     print(f"{search.best params }")
     print(f"{np.sqrt(-search.best_score_):.4}")
     {'max_depth': 4}
     0.2715
[17]: #random forest
     rdf = make_pipeline(RobustScaler(), RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=4,__
      →n_estimators=50, random_state=1))
     param_grid={
                 'max_depth': range(2,50),
                 'n_estimators': (50, 100)
             }
     search = GridSearchCV(RandomForestRegressor(), param_grid, cv=10,__
      ⇒scoring=cost_scorer, n_jobs=-1)
     search.fit(train, y_train)
     best_params_forest = search.best_params_
     print(f"{search.best_params_}")
     print(f"{np.sqrt(-search.best_score_):.4}")
     {'max_depth': 25, 'n_estimators': 50}
     0.2532
[13]: #Lightqbm
     rdf = make_pipeline(RobustScaler(), lgb.LGBMRegressor(boosting_type='gbdt',__
      →objective='regression', num_leaves=10,
                                                     learning_rate=0.12,_
      →n_estimators=50, max_depth=4,
                                                     random_state=1))
     param_grid={'num_leaves': [10, 20],
                 'learning_rate': np.linspace(0.01, 0.2, 20),
                 'max_depth': range(2,50),
                 'n_estimators': (50, 100)
     search = GridSearchCV(lgb.LGBMRegressor(), param_grid, cv=10,__
      ⇒scoring=cost_scorer, n_jobs=-1)
     search.fit(train, y_train)
     best params forest = search.best params
     print(f"{search.best_params_}")
     print(f"{np.sqrt(-search.best_score_):.4}")
     'num leaves': 20}
     0.2555
```