

## Sergiu Iliev | Bayesian ML Course | Final | Problem 2 - continued

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clc, clear
```

### Load dataset to continue from Python

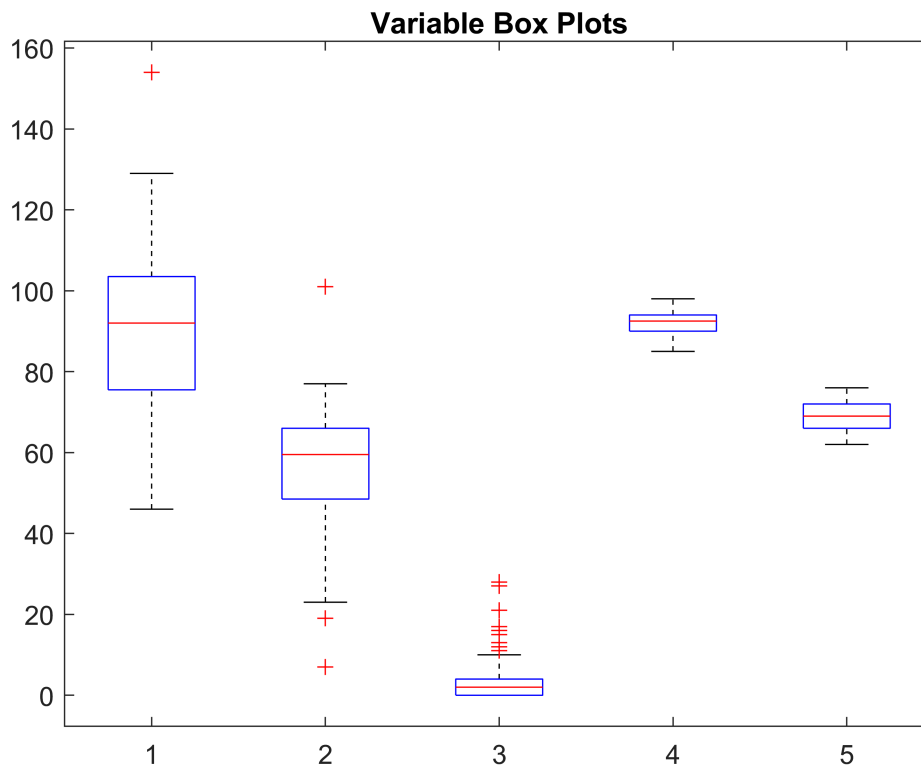
```
T = readtable('DF.csv'); % Create a temporary table to import the data
```

Define a forecast range and dataset select dataset subsections for training and testing (forecasting) solar power levels

```
fh = 10; % 10 day forecast horizon
y = T.Energy(1:(end - fh)); % Define Train Energy vector
yF = T.Energy((end - fh + 1):end); % Define Forecast Energy vector

T = removevars(T,{'Date','Energy'}); % Keep only the predictor variables in the table
X = table2array(T);
X = X(1:(end - fh),:); % Create the predictor array for training
XF = X((end - fh + 1):end,:); % Create the predictor array for testing
predictorNames = T.Properties.VariableNames(); % Create a vector of the predictor names

figure;
boxplot(X);
title('Variable Box Plots');
```



```
T = readtable('DF.csv'); % Regenerate the temporary table
% DF = transpose(load('DF.mat')); % load dataset
% X = transpose(load('X.mat')); % load training dataset
```

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% y = transpose(load('y.mat'));    % load testing dataset
% fnames = fieldnames(Y);
% T = table;
% for i = 1:length(fnames)
%     x_T = table(num2cell(getfield(Y, fnames{i})));
%     x_T.Properties.VariableNames = {fnames{i}};
%     T = [T, x_T];
% end

```

## (d)-continued: Constructing a Bayesian Linear Regression Model with a LASSO prior

```

rng('default')                % For reproducibility

lambda = 1;                    % Specify a regularization value of 1

B = lasso(X,y,'Lambda',lambda, 'PredictorNames',predictornames) % Construct the posterior linear model

B =
5x1
    0.4437
   -19.5910
    36.3150
   392.2673
  -261.1158

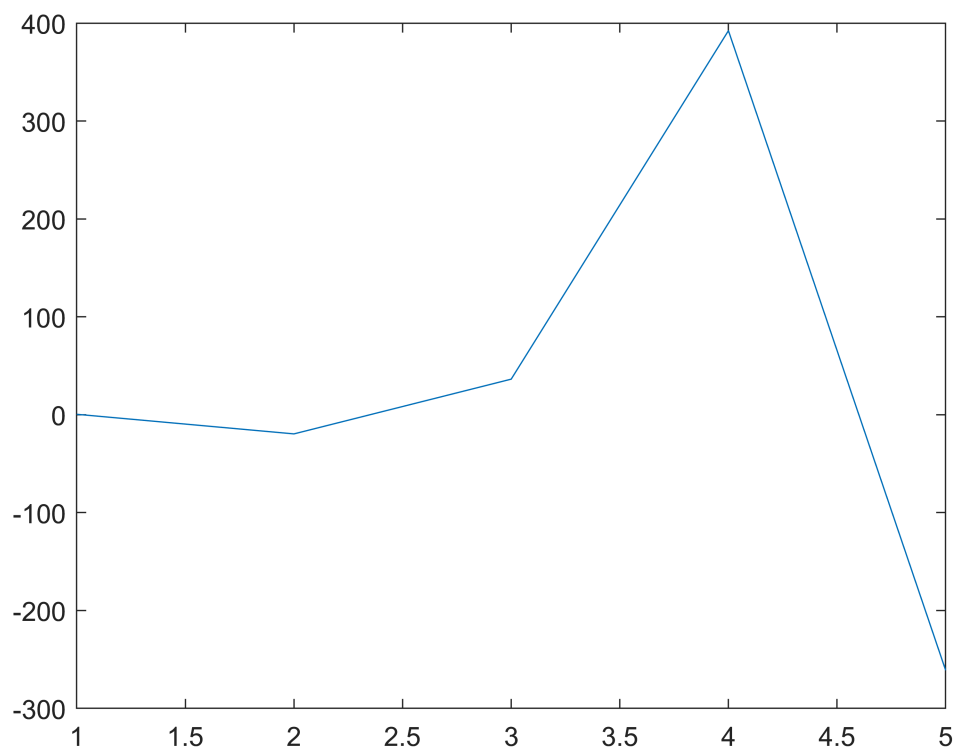
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```

% [LassoBetaEstimates,FitInfo] = lasso(X,y,'PredictorNames',predictornames);

plot(B)                        % Plot the posterior probability distribution

```



## (d) Better implementation of the part above

```
p = size(X,2); % Number of predictors
```

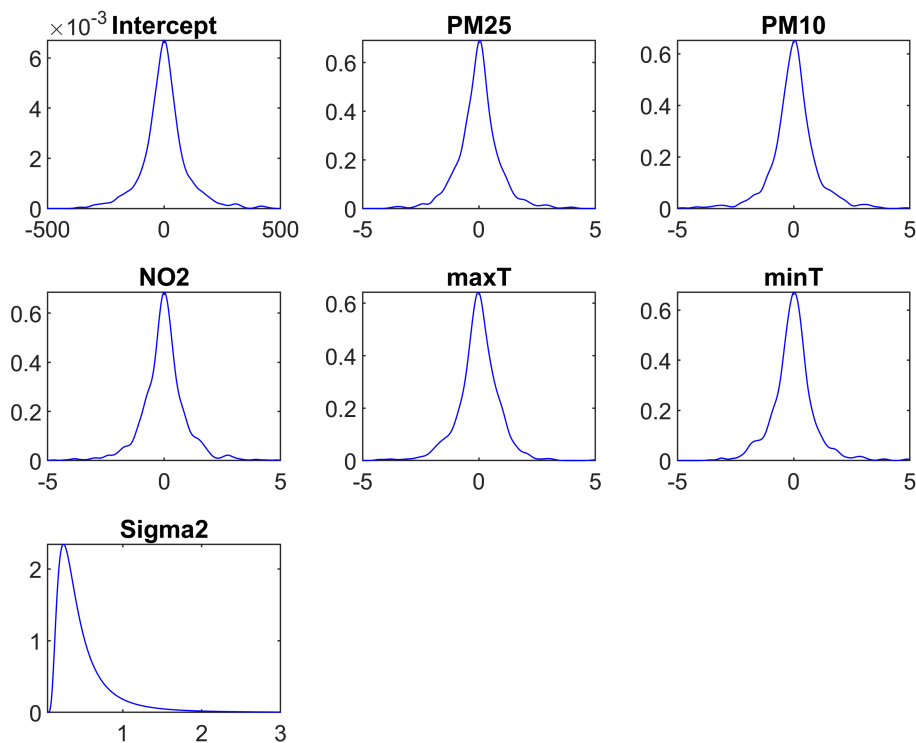
```
PriorMdl = bayeslm(p, 'ModelType', 'lasso', 'VarNames', predictorNames);  
table(PriorMdl.Lambda, 'RowNames', PriorMdl.VarNames)
```

ans = 6×1 table

	Var1
1 Intercept	0.0100
2 PM25	1.0000
3 PM10	1.0000
4 NO2	1.0000
5 maxT	1.0000
6 minT	1.0000

PriorMdl is a lassoblm model object. lassoblm attributes a shrinkage of 1 for each coefficient except the intercept, which has a shrinkage of 0.01

```
plot(PriorMdl)
```



The plot above is the Prior Distribution, now we will determine the Posterior

## (e) Constructing and Plotting the Posterior

```
[EstMdl,Summary] = estimate(PriorMdl,X,y,'Display',true)
```

Method: lasso MCMC sampling with 10000 draws

Number of observations: 76

Number of predictors: 6

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	-2579.5929	4596.5734	[-11695.474, 6339.483]	0.287	Empirical
PM25	-0.0011	0.1605	[-0.341, 0.340]	0.491	Empirical
PM10	-27.7022	10.2465	[-47.636, -7.502]	0.004	Empirical
NO2	35.5817	27.4746	[-18.926, 89.730]	0.908	Empirical
maxT	323.1037	54.2471	[217.678, 430.160]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-222.3267	51.7202	[-324.413, -120.520]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.3505e+06	2.1813e+05	[989107.013, 1841377.775]	1.000	Empirical

EstMdl =

empiricalblm with properties:

NumPredictors: 5

Intercept: 1

VarNames: {6x1 cell}

BetaDraws: [6x10000 double]

Sigma2Draws: [1x10000 double]

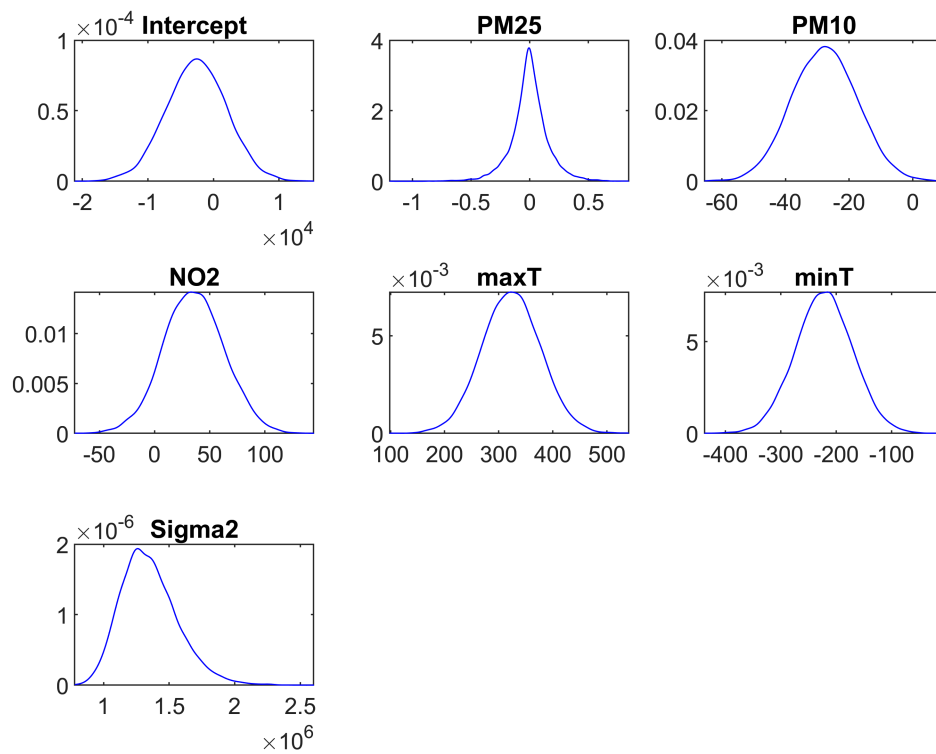
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Summary = 7x6 table

...

	Mean	Std	CI95		Positive	Distribution
1 Intercept	-2.5796e+03	4.5966e+03	-1.1695e+04	6.3395e+03	0.2875	'Empirical'
2 PM25	-0.0011	0.1605	-0.3411	0.3400	0.4909	'Empirical'
3 PM10	-27.7022	10.2465	-47.6363	-7.5023	0.0040	'Empirical'
4 NO2	35.5817	27.4746	-18.9264	89.7304	0.9085	'Empirical'
5 maxT	323.1037	54.2471	217.6779	430.1599	1.0000	'Empirical'
6 minT	-222.3267	51.7202	-324.4127	-120.5203	0	'Empirical'
7 Sigma2	1.3505e+06	2.1813e+05	9.8911e+05	1.8414e+06	1.0000	'Empirical'

```
plot(EstMdl)
```



The plot above is the Posterior distribution for Lambda = 1

### Evaluating the model FMSE

```
% Fit a lasso regression model to the data. Use the default regularization path. lasso standard
[LassoBetaEstimates,FitInfo] = lasso(X,y,'Standardize',false,...
    'PredictorNames',predictorNames);
% Compute the FMSE of each model returned by lasso.
yFLasso = FitInfo.Intercept + XF*LassoBetaEstimates;
fmseLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFLasso).^2,1)); fmseLasso(2)
```

```
ans = 2.7914e+03
```

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);
fmseBayesLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFBayesLasso).^2));
mean(fmseBayesLasso)
```

```
ans = 2.7867e+03
```

## f) PM25 Prior Alteration and effects on Posterior and RMSE

Changing the Lambda for PM25 from 1 to 100 and recalculating posterior

```
PriorMdl.Lambda(2) = 100
```

```
PriorMdl =
    lassoblm with properties:
```

```

NumPredictors: 5
Intercept: 1
VarNames: {6x1 cell}
Lambda: [6x1 double]
A: 3
B: 1

```

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	0	100	[-200.000, 200.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
PM25	0	0.0100	[-0.020, 0.020]	0.500	Scale mixture
PM10	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
NO2	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
maxT	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
minT	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
Sigma2	0.5000	0.5000	[ 0.138, 1.616]	1.000	IG(3.00, 1)

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[EstMdl,Summary] = estimate(PriorMdl,X,y,'Display',true)
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Method: lasso MCMC sampling with 10000 draws  
Number of observations: 76  
Number of predictors: 6

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	-1793.1094	4751.3242	[-11063.464, 7565.865]	0.344	Empirical
PM25	-3.6371	6.6841	[-17.798, 8.953]	0.297	Empirical
PM10	-25.0113	11.3359	[-47.363, -2.808]	0.014	Empirical
NO2	33.9925	27.2863	[-19.555, 86.685]	0.895	Empirical
maxT	315.4981	54.9623	[209.924, 423.502]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-220.8353	51.9689	[-323.503, -119.161]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.3400e+06	2.1341e+05	[986048.351, 1819575.345]	1.000	Empirical

EstMdl =  
empiricalblm with properties:

```

NumPredictors: 5
Intercept: 1
VarNames: {6x1 cell}
BetaDraws: [6x10000 double]
Sigma2Draws: [1x10000 double]

```

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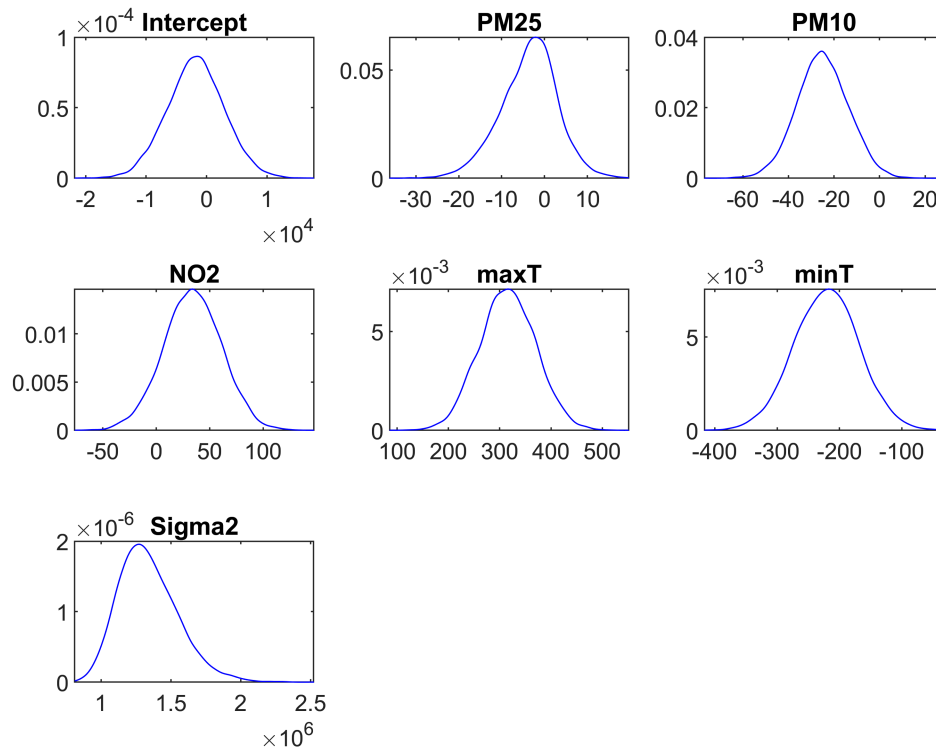
Summary = 7x6 table

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	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
1 Intercept	-1.7931e+03	4.7513e+03	-1.1063e+04 7.5659e+03	0.3439	'Empirical'
2 PM25	-3.6371	6.6841	-17.7981 8.9531	0.2966	'Empirical'
3 PM10	-25.0113	11.3359	-47.3629 -2.8084	0.0139	'Empirical'

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4 NO2	33.9925	27.2863	-19.5547	86.6846	0.8955	'Empirical'
5 maxT	315.4981	54.9623	209.9237	423.5022	1.0000	'Empirical'
6 minT	-220.8353	51.9689	-323.5032	-119.1612	0	'Empirical'
7 Sigma2	1.3400e+06	2.1341e+05	9.8605e+05	1.8196e+06	1.0000	'Empirical'

```
plot(EstMdl)
```



The plot above is the Posterior distribution for PM25 Lambda = 100

### Evaluating the model FMSE

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);
fmseBayesLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFBayesLasso).^2));
mean(fmseBayesLasso)
```

```
ans = 2.7896e+03
```

### Changing the Lambda for PM25 from 1 to 10000 and recalculating posterior

```
PriorMdl.Lambda(2) = 100
```

```
PriorMdl =
lassoblm with properties:
```

```

NumPredictors: 5
Intercept: 1
VarNames: {6x1 cell}
Lambda: [6x1 double]
A: 3
B: 1

```

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Intercept	0	100	[-200.000, 200.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
PM25	0	0.0100	[-0.020, 0.020]	0.500	Scale mixture
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NO2	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
maxT	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
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```

Method: lasso MCMC sampling with 10000 draws  
Number of observations: 76  
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Intercept	-1795.7640	4772.0365	[-11321.199, 7611.227]	0.357	Empirical
PM25	-3.6639	6.7034	[-17.508, 9.243]	0.294	Empirical
PM10	-24.8351	11.3127	[-47.103, -2.439]	0.015	Empirical
NO2	33.6236	27.6746	[-20.369, 87.994]	0.890	Empirical
maxT	315.8333	55.6313	[206.498, 425.390]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-221.3632	51.8956	[-322.985, -120.247]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.3427e+06	2.1519e+05	[989487.917, 1834540.023]	1.000	Empirical

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empiricalblm with properties:

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2 PM25	-3.6639	6.7034	-17.5078 9.2431	0.2945	'Empirical'
3 PM10	-24.8351	11.3127	-47.1034 -2.4391	0.0146	'Empirical'



	Mean	Std	CI95		Positive	Distribution
4 NO2	33.6236	27.6746	-20.3695	87.9940	0.8896	'Empirical'
5 maxT	315.8333	55.6313	206.4975	425.3900	1.0000	'Empirical'
6 minT	-221.3632	51.8956	-322.9846	-120.2473	0.0001	'Empirical'
7 Sigma2	1.3427e+06	2.1519e+05	9.8949e+05	1.8345e+06	1.0000	'Empirical'

```
SLRMdlFull = fitlm(X,y,'VarNames',T.Properties.VariableNames(2:end))
```

SLRMdlFull =

Linear regression model:

minT ~ 1 + Energy + PM25 + PM10 + NO2 + maxT

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
(Intercept)	-1556.8	5290.7	-0.29425	0.76944
Energy	-5.9438	8.9961	-0.66071	0.51097
PM25	-23.458	12.639	-1.856	0.067664
PM10	33.406	29.454	1.1342	0.26059
NO2	315.44	60.54	5.2104	1.8132e-06
maxT	-222.42	55.435	-4.0123	0.0001487

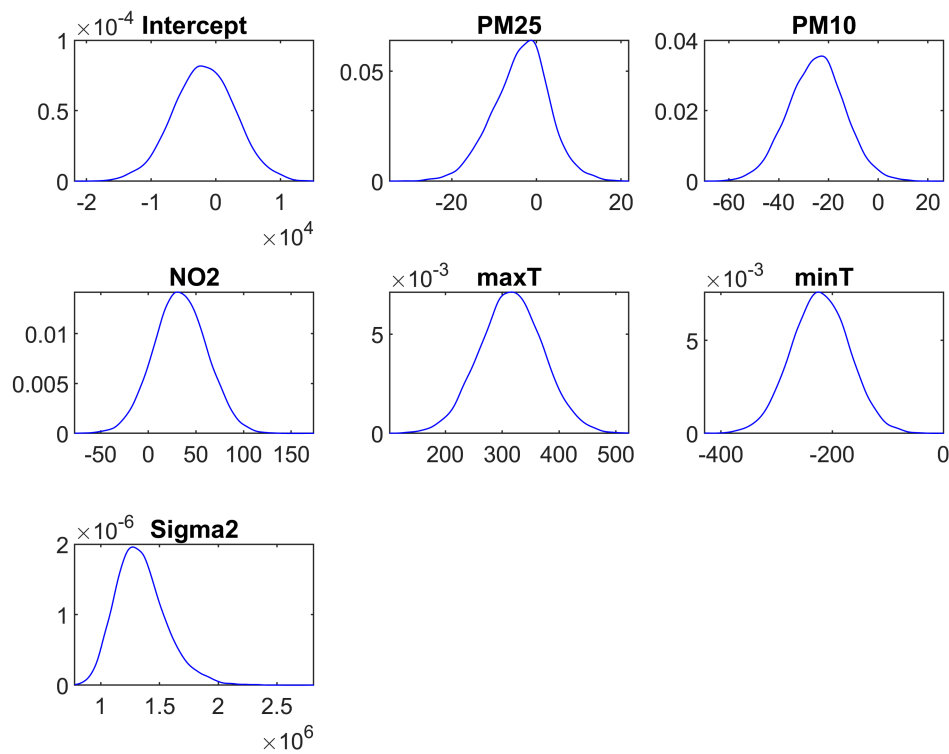
Number of observations: 76, Error degrees of freedom: 70

Root Mean Squared Error: 1.23e+03

R-squared: 0.39, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.347

F-statistic vs. constant model: 8.96, p-value = 1.29e-06

```
plot(EstMdl)
```



The plot above is the Posterior distribution for PM25 Lambda = 10000

### Evaluating the model FMSE

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);
fmseBayesLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFBayesLasso).^2));
mean(fmseBayesLasso)
```

ans = 2.7880e+03

## Forecasting

Fit a Linear Model for Comparison

```
SLRMdlFull = fitlm(X,y,'VarNames',T.Properties.VariableNames(2:end))
```

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## Results Interpretation:

Increasing the value of the Lasso shrinkage parameter Lambda, reduces the influence of the predictor variable.  
 In the case of PM25:

- when Lambda = 1, FRMSE = 2787
- when Lambda = 100, FRMSE = 2790
- when Lambda = 10000, FRMSE = 2788

These results suggest that PM25 has a minor contribution to the prediction capacity of the model. As we approach turning off this parameter by increasing Lambda to 10000 the RMSE does not change.

Therefore PM25 is an unimportant predictor variable.

## g) PM10 Prior Alteration and effects on Posterior and RMSE

Changing the Lambda for PM25 from 1 to 100 and recalculating posterior

```
PriorMdl.Lambda(3) = 100
```

```
PriorMdl =  
  lassoblm with properties:  
  
  NumPredictors: 5  
  Intercept: 1  
  VarNames: {6x1 cell}  
  Lambda: [6x1 double]  
    A: 3  
    B: 1
```

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maxT	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
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[EstMdl,Summary] = estimate(PriorMdl,X,y,'Display',true)
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Method: lasso MCMC sampling with 10000 draws  
 Number of observations: 76  
 Number of predictors: 6

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	-1819.1573	4880.1771	[-11314.392, 7638.331]	0.352	Empirical
PM25	-5.9489	6.8705	[-20.311, 6.502]	0.188	Empirical
PM10	-15.4871	10.3390	[-36.715, 2.806]	0.058	Empirical

NO2		24.7916	27.4699	[-28.991, 78.964]	0.817	Empirical
maxT		314.2101	56.1702	[205.218, 424.424]	1.000	Empirical
minT		-223.0117	52.4490	[-328.343, -120.366]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2		1.3752e+06	2.1991e+05	[1007242.185, 1872316.897]	1.000	Empirical

```
EstMdl =
  empiricalblm with properties:
```

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NumPredictors: 5
Intercept: 1
VarNames: {6x1 cell}
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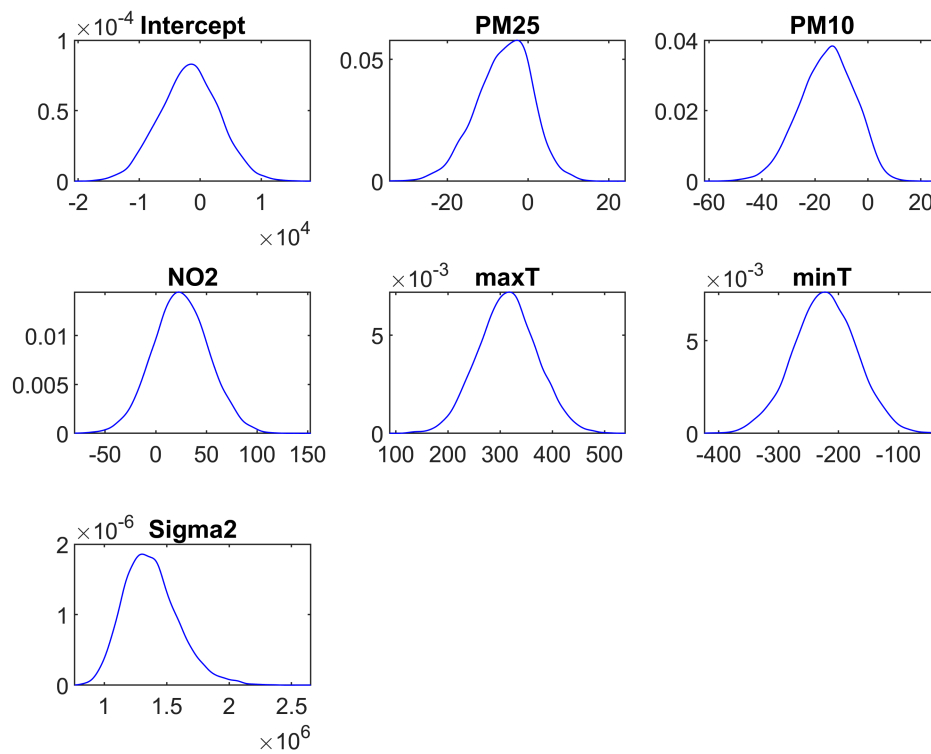
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3 PM10	-15.4871	10.3390	-36.7152	2.8062	0.0581	'Empirical'
4 NO2	24.7916	27.4699	-28.9912	78.9638	0.8169	'Empirical'
5 maxT	314.2101	56.1702	205.2180	424.4239	1.0000	'Empirical'
6 minT	-223.0117	52.4490	-328.3427	-120.3662	0	'Empirical'
7 Sigma2	1.3752e+06	2.1991e+05	1.0072e+06	1.8723e+06	1.0000	'Empirical'

```
plot(EstMdl)
```



The plot above is the Posterior distribution for PM10 Lambda = 100

### Evaluating the model FMSE

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);
fmseBayesLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFBayesLasso).^2));
mean(fmseBayesLasso)
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ans = 2.7612e+03
```

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Intercept	0	100	[-200.000, 200.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
PM25	0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture

PM10		0	0.0001	[-0.000, 0.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
NO2		0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
maxT		0	1	[-2.000, 2.000]	0.500	Scale mixture
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Intercept	-672.0733	4966.0646	[-10391.819, 9118.265]	0.447	Empirical
PM25	-14.1946	7.4351	[-28.728, 0.546]	0.030	Empirical
PM10	-0.0056	0.1682	[-0.364, 0.337]	0.487	Empirical
NO2	12.4457	25.8196	[-37.996, 63.150]	0.687	Empirical
maxT	300.2241	57.3047	[186.429, 412.692]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-221.9849	52.9240	[-325.395, -119.192]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.4036e+06	2.2660e+05	[1034611.768, 1920640.068]	1.000	Empirical

EstMdl =  
empiricalblm with properties:

```
NumPredictors: 5
Intercept: 1
VarNames: {6x1 cell}
BetaDraws: [6x10000 double]
Sigma2Draws: [1x10000 double]
```

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	-672.0733	4966.0646	[-10391.819, 9118.265]	0.447	Empirical
PM25	-14.1946	7.4351	[-28.728, 0.546]	0.030	Empirical
PM10	-0.0056	0.1682	[-0.364, 0.337]	0.487	Empirical
NO2	12.4457	25.8196	[-37.996, 63.150]	0.687	Empirical
maxT	300.2241	57.3047	[186.429, 412.692]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-221.9849	52.9240	[-325.395, -119.192]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.4036e+06	2.2660e+05	[1034611.768, 1920640.068]	1.000	Empirical

Summary = 7x6 table

...

	Mean	Std	CI95		Positive	Distribution
1 Intercept	-672.0733	4.9661e+03	-1.0392e+04	9.1183e+03	0.4469	'Empirical'
2 PM25	-14.1946	7.4351	-28.7278	0.5461	0.0298	'Empirical'
3 PM10	-0.0056	0.1682	-0.3636	0.3368	0.4872	'Empirical'
4 NO2	12.4457	25.8196	-37.9963	63.1495	0.6868	'Empirical'
5 maxT	300.2241	57.3047	186.4290	412.6916	1.0000	'Empirical'
6 minT	-221.9849	52.9240	-325.3946	-119.1923	0.0001	'Empirical'
7 Sigma2	1.4036e+06	2.2660e+05	1.0346e+06	1.9206e+06	1.0000	'Empirical'

```
SLRMdlFull = fitlm(X,y,'VarNames',T.Properties.VariableNames(2:end))
```

SLRMdlFull =

Linear regression model:  
 $\text{minT} \sim 1 + \text{Energy} + \text{PM25} + \text{PM10} + \text{NO2} + \text{maxT}$

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
(Intercept)	-1556.8	5290.7	-0.29425	0.76944
Energy	-5.9438	8.9961	-0.66071	0.51097
PM25	-23.458	12.639	-1.856	0.067664
PM10	33.406	29.454	1.1342	0.26059
NO2	315.44	60.54	5.2104	1.8132e-06
maxT	-222.42	55.435	-4.0123	0.0001487

Number of observations: 76, Error degrees of freedom: 70  
Root Mean Squared Error: 1.23e+03  
R-squared: 0.39, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.347  
F-statistic vs. constant model: 8.96, p-value = 1.29e-06

```
plot(EstMdl)
```

The plot above is the Posterior distribution for PM10 Lambda = 10000

### Evaluating the model FMSE

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);  
fmseBayesLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFBayesLasso).^2));  
mean(fmseBayesLasso)
```

```
ans = 2.7361e+03
```

### Forecasting & Results Interpretation:

Increasing the value of the Lasso shrinkage parameter Lambda, reduces the influence of the predictor variable.  
In the case of PM10:

- when Lambda = 1, FRMSE = 2787
- when Lambda = 100, FRMSE = 27612
- when Lambda = 10000, FRMSE = 2723

These results suggest that PM10 has a minor contribution to the prediction capacity of the model. As we approach turning off this parameter by increasing Lambda to 10000 the RMSE does not change.

Similarly these results suggest PM10 is an unimportant predictor variable.

### e) Model Forecasting Plot

Selecting the PM10 model with lambda = 1 and PM25 model with lambda = 100

```
PriorMdl.Lambda(3) = 1;  
PriorMdl.Lambda(1) = 100;  
[EstMdl,Summary] = estimate(PriorMdl,X,y,'Display',true);
```

Method: lasso MCMC sampling with 10000 draws

Number of observations: 76  
Number of predictors: 6

	Mean	Std	CI95	Positive	Distribution
Intercept	0.0871	16.3853	[-33.088, 34.285]	0.502	Empirical
PM25	-7.0128	7.8197	[-22.375, 8.084]	0.182	Empirical
PM10	-22.9849	11.8176	[-46.186, 0.135]	0.026	Empirical
NO2	29.8274	24.9835	[-17.871, 79.596]	0.885	Empirical
maxT	299.7063	37.4389	[226.176, 374.317]	1.000	Empirical
minT	-222.7302	50.6031	[-321.986, -123.126]	0.000	Empirical
Sigma2	1.3438e+06	2.1964e+05	[982034.146, 1843525.581]	1.000	Empirical

```
yFBayesLasso = forecast(EstMdl,XF);
plot(yFBayesLasso,'color','red');
hold on
plot(yF,'color','blue')
```

## extra) Hyperparameter Sweep and Best Model Selection

The previous approach only considered the fluctuation of PM10 and PM25, the Lasso method can allow us to adjust the shrinkage value automatically to turn off predictor variables that do not have an impact on the model's predictive power. This section considers a Hyperparameter sweep and selects the best model

```
% Fit a lasso regression model to the data.
[LassoBetaEstimates,FitInfo] = lasso(X,y,'PredictorNames',predictorNames);

% Compute the FMSE of each model returned by lasso.
yFLasso = FitInfo.Intercept + XF*LassoBetaEstimates;
fmseLasso = sqrt(mean((yF - yFLasso).^2,1)); fmseLasso(1)
```

```
ans = 2.7914e+03
```

```
% Plot the magnitude of the regression coefficients with respect to the shrinkage value.
hax = lassoPlot(LassoBetaEstimates,FitInfo);
L1Vals = hax.Children.XData;
yyaxis right
h = plot(L1Vals,fmseLasso,'LineWidth',2,'LineStyle','--');
legend(h,'FMSE','Location','SW');
ylabel('FMSE');
title('Frequentist Lasso')
```

```
%% Determine the Best Lasso Model -- the plot above suggests the best results (FMSE around 2720)
fmsebestlasso = min(fmseLasso(FitInfo.DF == 1));
idx = fmseLasso == fmsebestlasso;
bestLasso = [FitInfo.Intercept(idx); LassoBetaEstimates(:,idx)];
```



```
table(bestLasso, 'RowNames', ["Intercept" predictornames])
```

```
ans = 6x1 table
```

	bestLasso
1 Intercept	1.0491e+04
2 PM25	0
3 PM10	0
4 NO2	0
5 maxT	3.7000e-14
6 minT	0

**The frequentist lasso analysis suggests that the variables maxT predictor has the strongest predictive power.**

To see how the other variables compare let us compute the shrinkage parameter for each of the 5:

```
fmsebestlasso = min(fmseLasso(FitInfo.DF == 5));
idx = fmseLasso == fmsebestlasso;
bestLasso = [FitInfo.Intercept(idx); LassoBetaEstimates(:,idx)];
table(bestLasso, 'RowNames', ["Intercept" predictornames])
```

```
ans = 6x1 table
```

	bestLasso
1 Intercept	2.4510e+03
2 PM25	-6.6516
3 PM10	-10.0156
4 NO2	2.6471
5 maxT	220.4625
6 minT	-161.6840

This suggests minT has the strongest predictive power after maxT (negatively correlated). Then PM25 and PM10 are either insignificant or redundant, compared to them PM10 has a stronger predictive power.