# **ECON 5821 Final Project Report**

## 1. Data Processing

Calculate the inflation rate through PCE. And convert the data set into time series format.

### 2. One Month Ahead Performance

### **2.1 LASSO**

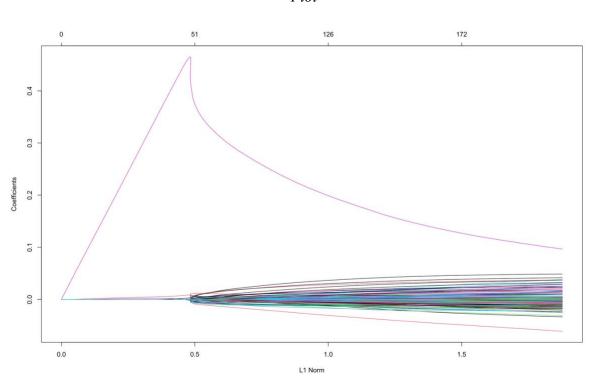
RMSE: 0.10910237

MSE: 0.01190333

R-Squared: 0.30352112

MAE: 0.08967138

### Plot



### 2.2 Gradient Boosting

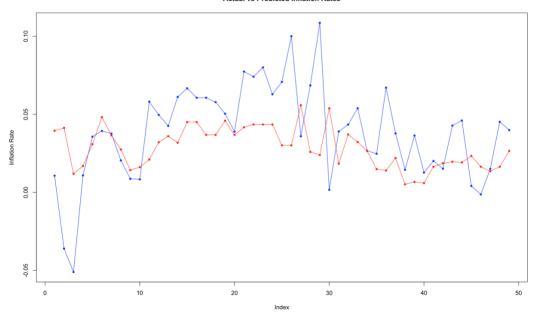
RMSE: 0.0306310799131638

MSE: 0.0009382631

R-Squared: 0.0962825654736979

# Plot

#### Actual vs Predicted Inflation Rates



## 2.3 Random Forest

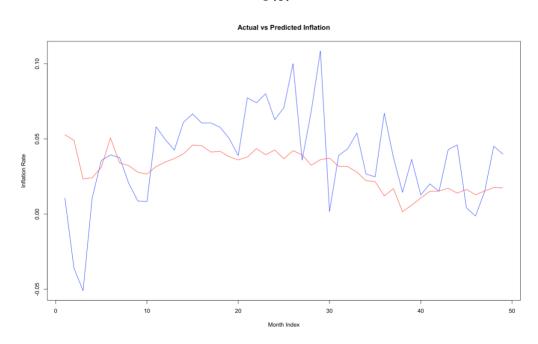
RMSE: 0.03002091

MSE: 0.000901255

R-Squared: 0.10542571

MAE: 0.02287436

## Plot

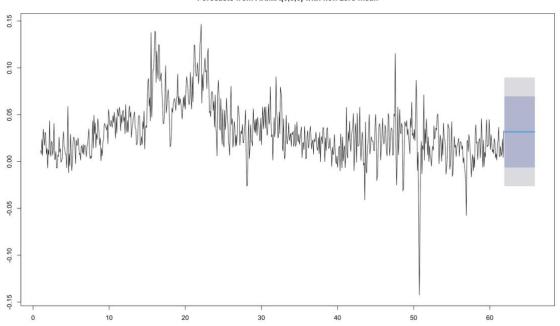


# 2.4 AR (1)

RMSE: 0.02959792

MSE: 0.0008760369

Plot Forecasts from ARIMA(0,0,0) with non-zero mean



## 3. Three Months Ahead Performance

### **3.1 LASSO**

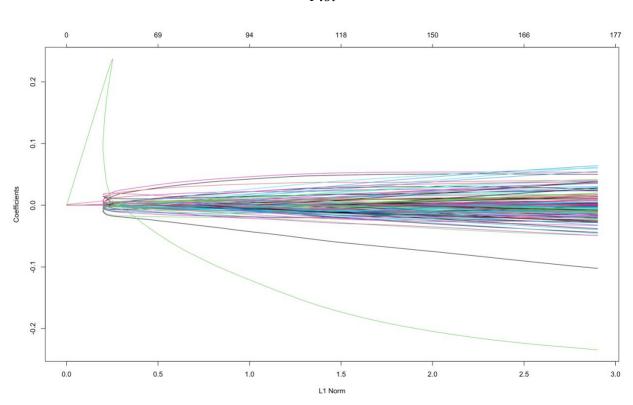
RMSE: 0.1400659

MSE: 0.01961846

R-Squared: 0.3009275

MAE: 0.1176360

### Plot



# 3.2 Gradient Boosting

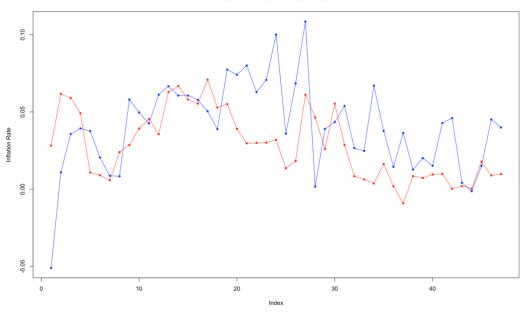
RMSE: 0.0312049459420331

MSE: 0.0009737487

R-Squared: 0.143273637783854

# Plot

#### Actual vs Predicted Inflation Rates



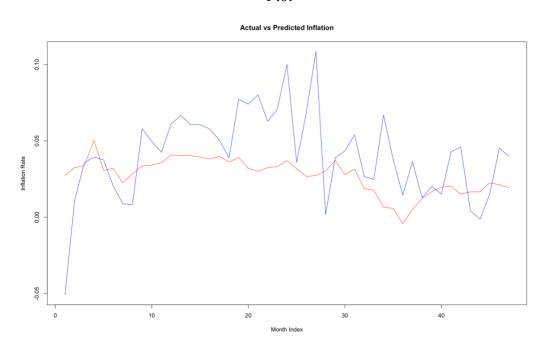
# 3.3 Random Forest

RMSE: 0.02987408

MSE: 0.0008924607

R-Squared: 0.12535583

Plot

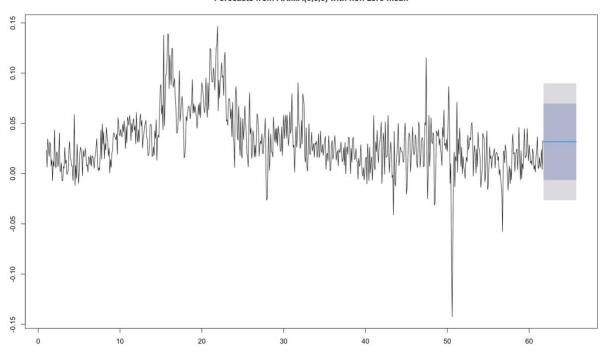


# 3.4 AR (1)

RMSE: 0.02961631

MSE: 0.0008771258

Plot Forecasts from ARIMA(0,0,0) with non-zero mean



## 4. Twelve Months Ahead Performance

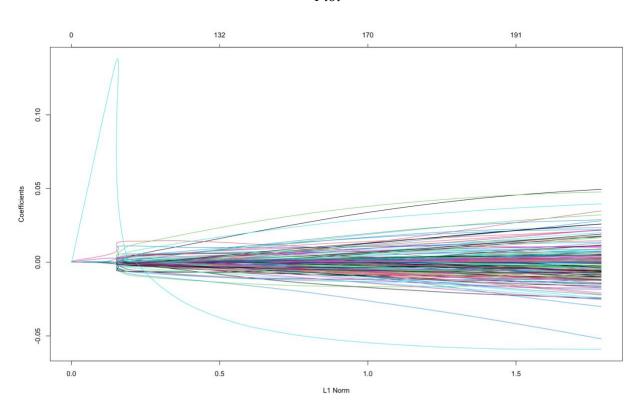
### **4.1 LASSO**

RMSE: 0.10501720 MSE: 0.01102861

R-Squared: 0.45084429

MAE: 0.08772715

### Plot



# **4.2 Gradient Boosting**

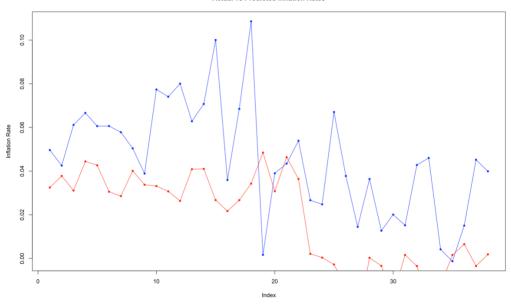
RMSE: 0.0368901693965298

MSE: 0.001360885

R-Squared: 0.256187203414878

# Plot

#### Actual vs Predicted Inflation Rates



# 4.3 Random Forest

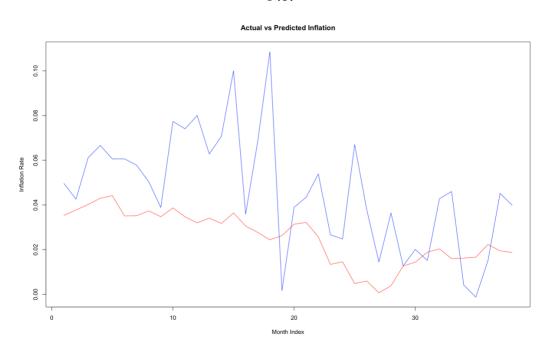
RMSE: 0.03010909

MSE: 0.0009065573

R-Squared: 0.26717356

MAE: 0.02407287

## Plot



# 4.4 AR (1)

RMSE: 0.02975703

MSE: 0.0008854808

MAE: 0.02196736

# Plot

#### Forecasts from ARIMA(0,0,0) with non-zero mean

