

## ARMA, ARIMA & SARIMA Modeling

In this notebook we do the following: review AR and MA concepts, build ARMA models for stationary data, extend to ARIMA for non-stationary series via differencing, introduce SARIMA to handle seasonal effects, and walk through model identification, estimation, validation, and forecasting.

```
In [10]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.tsa.seasonal import seasonal_decompose, STL
from statsmodels.tsa.stattools import adfuller
from statsmodels.graphics.tsaplots import plot_acf, plot_pacf
from statsmodels.tsa.arima.model import ARIMA
import seaborn as sns
import statsmodels.api as sm
```

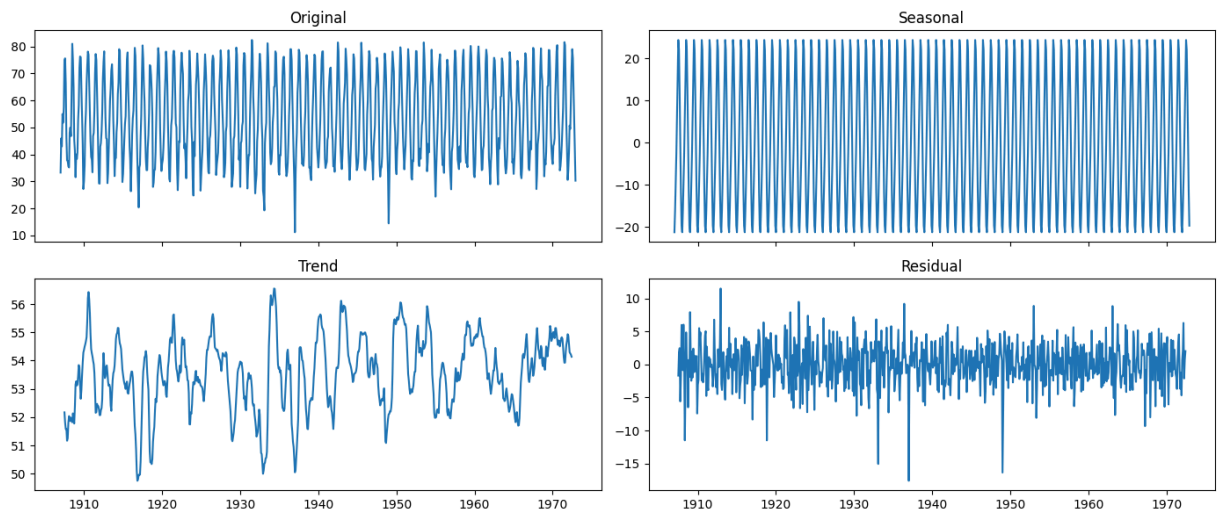
```
In [2]: # load monthly temperature data
monthly = pd.read_csv(
    'https://zenodo.org/records/10951538/files/arima_temp.csv?download=1',
    skipfooter=2, header=0, index_col=0, names=['month', 'temp'], engine='pyt
)
monthly.index = pd.to_datetime(monthly.index)
```

### Discussion

We load 1907–1972 monthly avg. temperatures. The index is a DatetimeIndex; this will let us resample and plot seasonality. Initial `.head()` and `.describe()` confirm 792 observations and no glaring missing values.

### Decomposition

```
In [3]: # additive decomposition
decomp = seasonal_decompose(monthly.temp, model='additive', period=12)
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2,2, figsize=(14,6), sharex=True)
axes[0,0].plot(monthly.temp); axes[0,0].set_title('Original')
axes[0,1].plot(decomp.seasonal); axes[0,1].set_title('Seasonal')
axes[1,0].plot(decomp.trend); axes[1,0].set_title('Trend')
axes[1,1].plot(decomp.resid); axes[1,1].set_title('Residual')
plt.tight_layout();
```



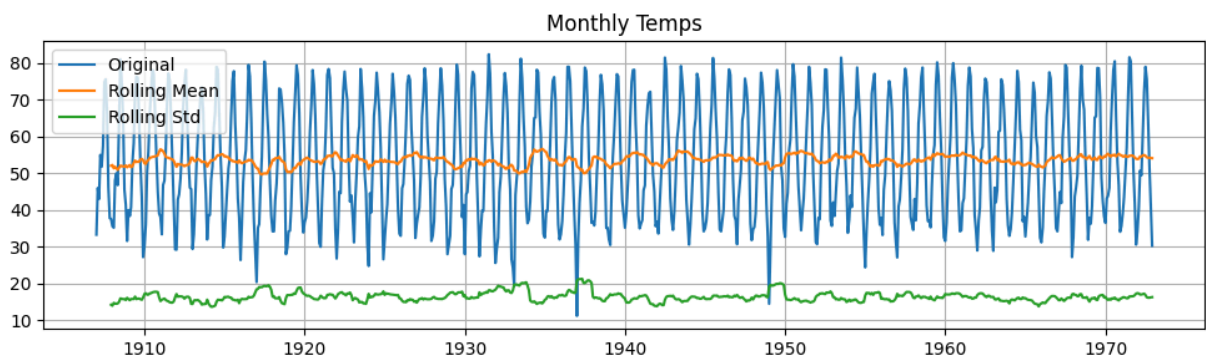
**Discussion** • The annual cycle is very regular, peaking mid-year. • Trend component is relatively flat but shows slight upward drift in mid-century. • Residuals look roughly zero-mean but may still contain autocorrelation

### Stationarity Check

```
In [4]: def adf_test(series, title=''):
result = adfuller(series.dropna(), autolag='AIC')
print(f"{title} ADF p-value = {result[1]:.3f}")
rolmean = series.rolling(12).mean()
rolstd = series.rolling(12).std()
plt.figure(figsize=(12,3))
plt.plot(series, label='Original')
plt.plot(rolmean, label='Rolling Mean')
plt.plot(rolstd, label='Rolling Std')
plt.legend(); plt.title(title); plt.grid(); plt.show()

adf_test(monthly.temp, 'Monthly Temps')
```

Monthly Temps ADF p-value = 0.000



### Discussion

• ADF strongly rejects non-stationarity ( $p \approx 0$ ), yet clear seasonality remains. Rolling mean/std are flat on annual scale but oscillate within each year—so periodicity doesn't imply a unit root.

## Remove Seasonality

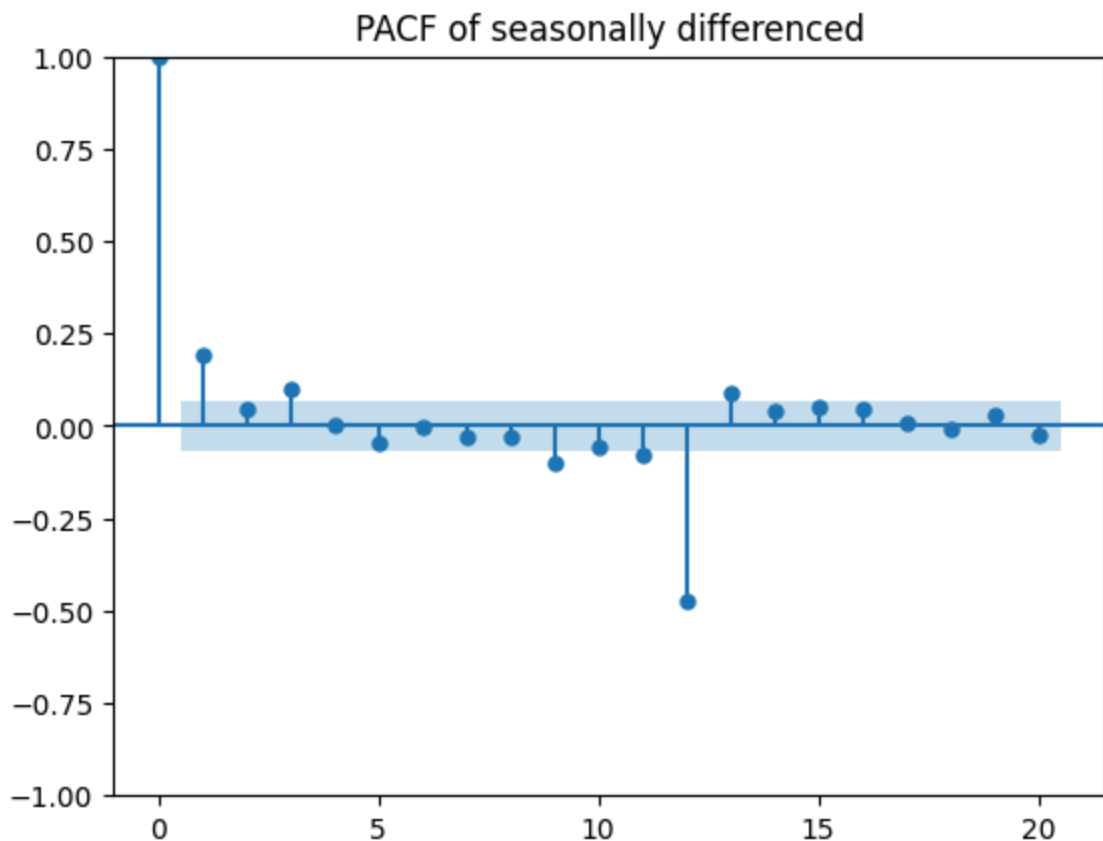
```
In [5]: monthly['temp_d12'] = monthly.temp.diff(12)
data = monthly.temp_d12.dropna()
```

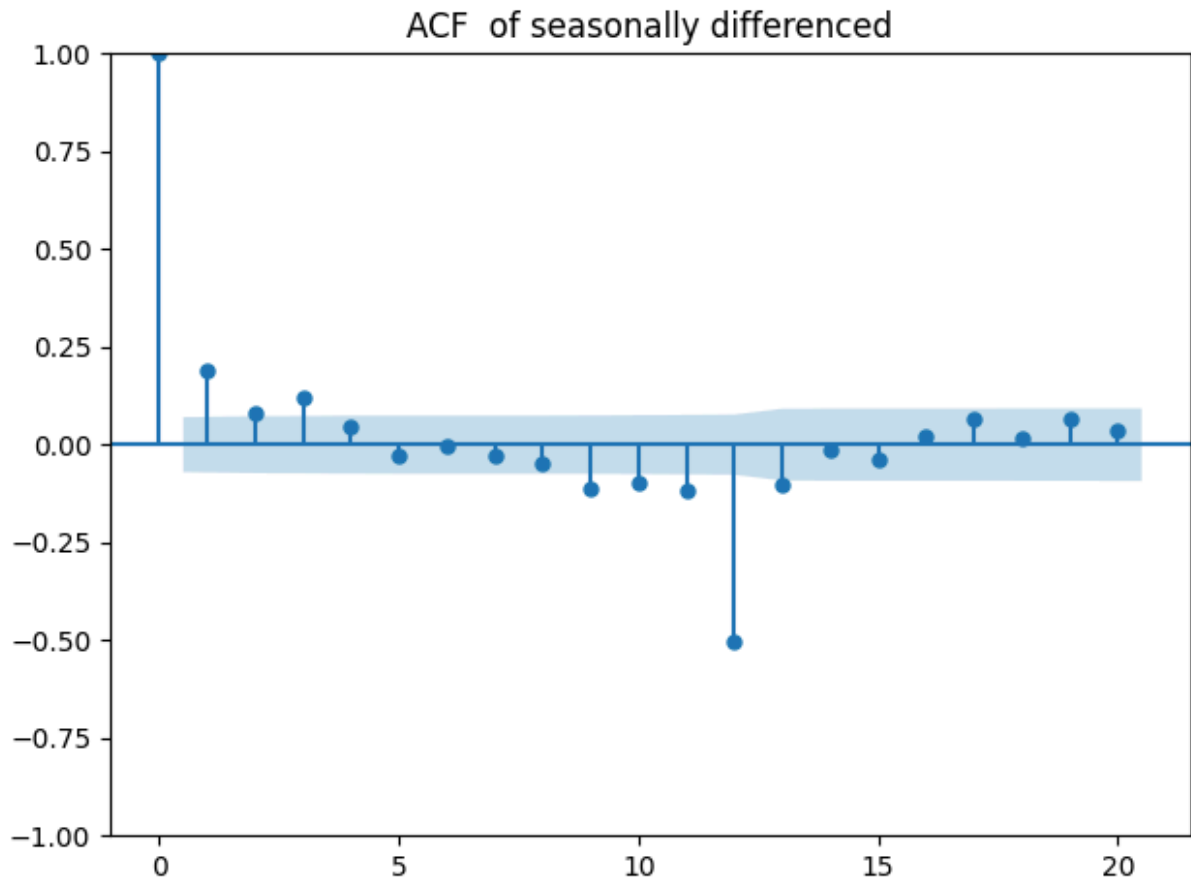
### Discussion

- We perform a 12-month seasonal differencing.
- Now our series should have no persistent periodic swing but still may need one more difference for trend.

\*\*Identify p & q for ARMA

```
In [6]: plot_pacf(data, lags=20, title='PACF of seasonally differenced')
plot_acf(data, lags=20, title='ACF of seasonally differenced')
plt.tight_layout();
```





### Discussion

- PACF cuts off after lag 2 (with a smaller spike at 3), so candidate  $p \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .
- ACF shows significant spikes at lags 1 and 3, so  $q \in \{1, 3\}$ .
- Seasonal lags (12, 24) are still present—ignore them when choosing  $p, q$

**\*\*Fit ARMA (as ARIMA with  $d=0$ )**

```
In [7]: train = data[:-36]
test = data[-36:]
model_arma = ARIMA(train, order=(2,0,3)).fit()
print(model_arma.summary())
```

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statsmodels/tsa/base/tsa_model.py:473: ValueWarning: No frequency informatio
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```

# SARIMAX Results

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==
Dep. Variable:          temp_d12    No. Observations:          7
44
Model:                  ARIMA(2, 0, 3)    Log Likelihood          -2244.4
94
Date:                  Mon, 21 Apr 2025    AIC          4502.9
87
Time:                  18:33:24    BIC          4535.2
72
Sample:                01-01-1908    HQIC          4515.4
32
                        - 12-01-1969
Covariance Type:                opg
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==
                    coef    std err          z      P>|z|      [0.025      0.97
5]
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const              0.0295      0.258      0.114      0.909      -0.476      0.5
35
ar.L1              0.8911      0.027     32.609      0.000      0.838      0.9
45
ar.L2             -0.7790      0.025    -30.871      0.000     -0.828     -0.7
30
ma.L1             -0.7610      0.072    -10.545      0.000     -0.902     -0.6
20
ma.L2              0.7600      0.109      7.000      0.000      0.547      0.9
73
ma.L3              0.2393      0.048      4.969      0.000      0.145      0.3
34
sigma2            24.1867      2.784      8.686      0.000     18.729     29.6
44
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Ljung-Box (L1) (Q):          0.01    Jarque-Bera (JB):
36.49
Prob(Q):                    0.92    Prob(JB):
0.00
Heteroskedasticity (H):      0.74    Skew:
0.04
Prob(H) (two-sided):        0.02    Kurtosis:
4.08
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```

## Warnings:

[1] Covariance matrix calculated using the outer product of gradients (complex-step).

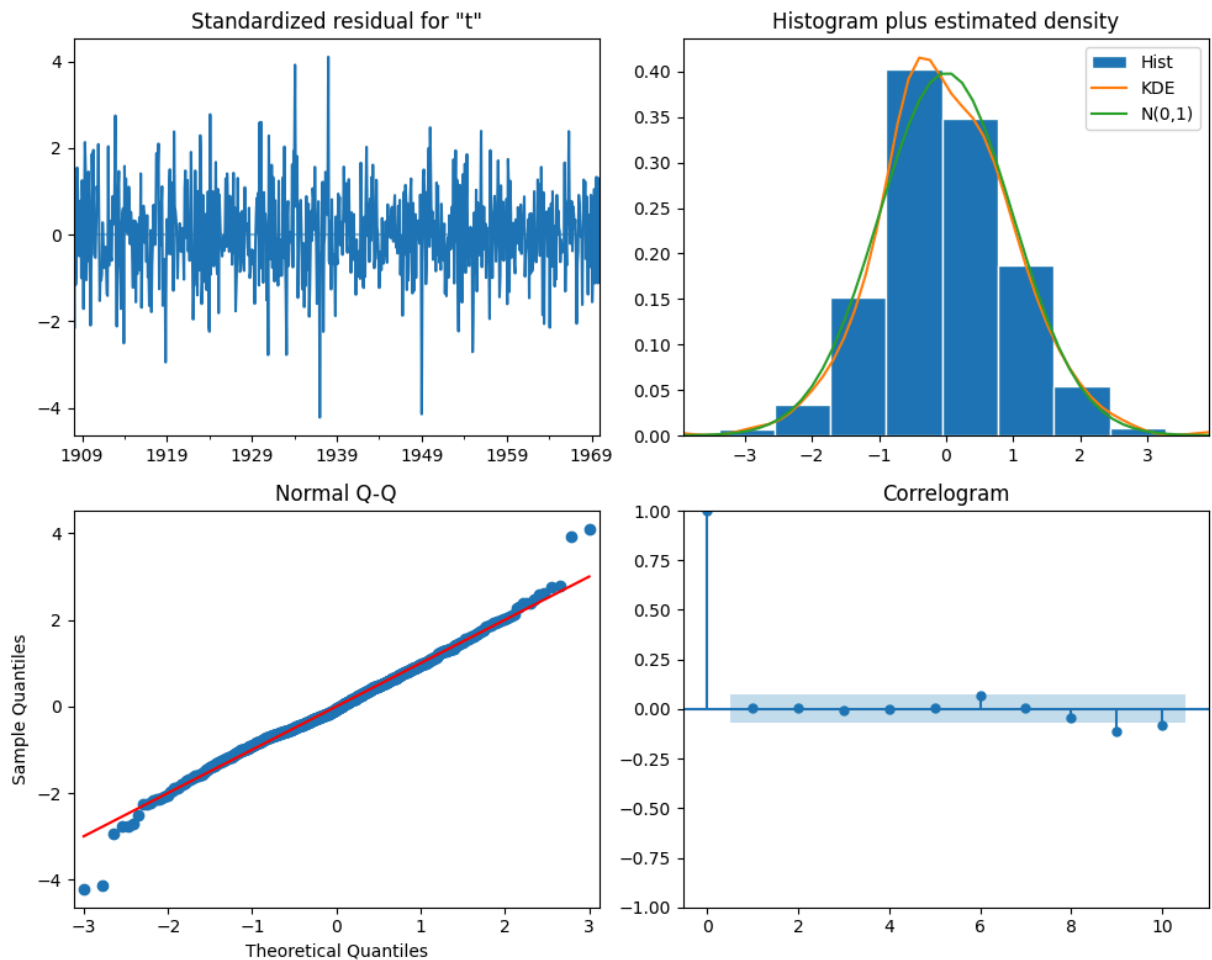
/Users/mchildress/ts\_basics/time\_series\_basics/lib/python3.10/site-packages/statsmodels/base/model.py:607: ConvergenceWarning: Maximum Likelihood optimization failed to converge. Check mle\_retvals  
warnings.warn("Maximum Likelihood optimization failed to "

## Discussion

- We've chosen ARMA(2,3) (i.e. ARIMA(2,0,3)) as our first candidate.
- Coefficients with  $p \approx 0.8$  for AR(2) and  $q \approx \dots$  for MA indicate how past values and past shocks drive the process.

## Residual Diagnostics

```
In [8]: resid = model_arma.resid
fig = model_arma.plot_diagnostics(figsize=(10,8))
plt.tight_layout();
```



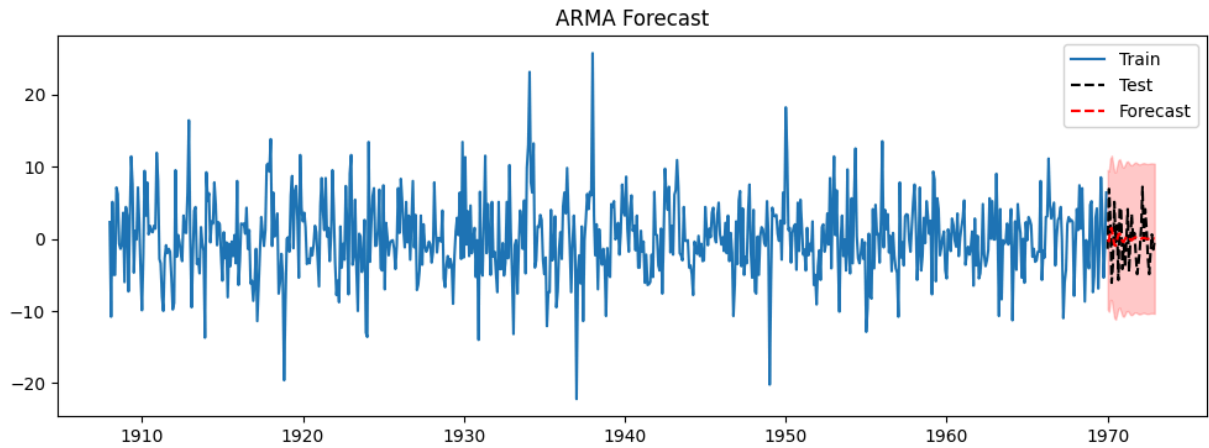
**Discussion** • Residuals should look like white noise: no remaining autocorrelation, roughly Gaussian. • A good model shows no structure in ACF of residuals, and QQ-plot near 45° line. • If diagnostics fail, we'd revisit p and q.

## Forecast with ARMA

```
In [9]: pred = model_arma.get_forecast(steps=36)
fc      = pred.predicted_mean
ci      = pred.conf_int()

plt.figure(figsize=(12,4))
```

```
plt.plot(train.index, train, label='Train')
plt.plot(test.index, test, 'k--', label='Test')
plt.plot(test.index, fc, 'r--', label='Forecast')
plt.fill_between(test.index, ci.iloc[:,0], ci.iloc[:,1], color='r', alpha=0.5)
plt.legend(); plt.title('ARMA Forecast'); plt.show()
```



## Discussion

- `ARIMA(2,1,3)(0,1,1)[12]` automatically handles both seasonality and trend.
- `'d=1'` removes linear drift; `seasonal_order` takes care of annual cycle in one step.

**\*\*SARIMA & AutoARIMA**

In [3]: `import numpy as np`  
`import pmdarima as pm`

```
print(np.__version__)
print(pm.__version__)
```

*# should run without error now*

```
auto = pm.auto_arma(
    monthly['temp'],
    seasonal=True, m=12,
    start_p=0, start_q=0, max_p=3, max_q=3,
    start_P=0, start_Q=0, max_P=2, max_Q=2,
    d=None, D=1, trace=True, stepwise=True
)
print(auto.summary())
```

1.26.4

2.0.4

Performing stepwise search to minimize aic

ARIMA(0,0,0)(0,1,0)[12] intercept : AIC=4796.839, Time=0.06 sec

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ARIMA(1,0,0)(1,1,0)[12] intercept : AIC=4546.179, Time=0.35 sec
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ARIMA(0,0,1)(0,1,1)[12] intercept : AIC=inf, Time=1.11 sec
ARIMA(0,0,0)(0,1,0)[12] : AIC=4794.867, Time=0.03 sec
ARIMA(1,0,0)(0,1,0)[12] intercept : AIC=4769.737, Time=0.09 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,0)(2,1,0)[12] intercept : AIC=4451.142, Time=0.87 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,0)(2,1,1)[12] intercept : AIC=inf, Time=2.44 sec

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ARIMA(0,0,0)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4477.926, Time=0.50 sec
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    warnings.warn(
ARIMA(2,0,0)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4452.084, Time=0.97 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,1)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4450.271, Time=1.27 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4545.537, Time=0.44 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,1)(2,1,1)[12] intercept    : AIC=inf, Time=3.77 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,1,1)[12] intercept    : AIC=inf, Time=1.74 sec
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ARIMA(0,0,1)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4453.370, Time=0.62 sec
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ARIMA(2,0,1)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4451.722, Time=2.20 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,2)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4451.531, Time=1.32 sec

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ARIMA(2,0,2)(2,1,0)[12] intercept    : AIC=4452.909, Time=1.53 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,1)(2,1,0)[12]              : AIC=4448.358, Time=0.51 sec
ARIMA(1,0,1)(1,1,0)[12]              : AIC=4543.587, Time=0.19 sec
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ARIMA(0,0,1)(2,1,0)[12]              : AIC=4451.504, Time=0.22 sec
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ARIMA(1,0,2)(2,1,0)[12]              : AIC=4449.618, Time=0.56 sec
ARIMA(0,0,0)(2,1,0)[12]              : AIC=4476.106, Time=0.15 sec

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ARIMA(0,0,2)(2,1,0)[12] : AIC=4451.938, Time=0.25 sec
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ARIMA(2,0,0)(2,1,0)[12] : AIC=4450.192, Time=0.27 sec
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ARIMA(2,0,2)(2,1,0)[12] : AIC=4450.996, Time=0.69 sec

Best model: ARIMA(1,0,1)(2,1,0)[12]

Total fit time: 28.244 seconds

#### SARIMAX Results

Dep. Variable: y No. Observations: 792

Model: SARIMAX(1, 0, 1)x(2, 1, [], 12) Log Likelihood

-2219.179

Date: Mon, 21 Apr 2025 AIC

4448.358

Time: 18:45:14 BIC

4471.655

Sample: 01-01-1907 HQIC

4457.318

- 12-01-1972

Covariance Type: opg

	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975
ar.L1	0.5606	0.147	3.821	0.000	0.273	0.848
ma.L1	-0.3914	0.164	-2.391	0.017	-0.712	-0.071
ar.S.L12	-0.6780	0.028	-24.014	0.000	-0.733	-0.623
ar.S.L24	-0.3467	0.029	-12.111	0.000	-0.403	-0.291
sigma2	17.1812	0.633	27.149	0.000	15.941	18.422

Ljung-Box (L1) (Q):

0.04 Jarque-Bera (JB):

153.83

Prob(Q):

0.83 Prob(JB):

0.00

Heteroskedasticity (H):

0.68 Skew:

-0.37

Prob(H) (two-sided):

0.00 Kurtosis:

5.05

#### Warnings:

[1] Covariance matrix calculated using the outer product of gradients (complex-step).

#### Discussion

- auto\_arima finds SARIMAX(1,0,1)x(2,1,0)[12] as best by AIC.

- This automates our manual grid search while still relying on our seasonal differencing choice.

## Model Comparison & Grid Search

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In [4]: # small grid example
from itertools import product
orders = list(product([1,2],[0,1],[1,3]))
seasonals = [(0,1,1,12),(1,1,1,12)]
results = []
for o in orders:
    for s in seasonals:
        mod = ARIMA(monthly.temp, order=o, seasonal_order=s).fit()
        results.append((o,s,mod.aic))
pd.DataFrame(results, columns=['order','seasonal','AIC']).sort_values('AIC')
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[illegible]

Out [4]:

	order	seasonal	AIC
0	(1, 0, 1)	(0, 1, 1, 12)	4266.668838
10	(2, 0, 3)	(0, 1, 1, 12)	4267.441111
1	(1, 0, 1)	(1, 1, 1, 12)	4268.233301
8	(2, 0, 1)	(0, 1, 1, 12)	4268.303681
2	(1, 0, 3)	(0, 1, 1, 12)	4268.561543

**\*Discussion\*\***

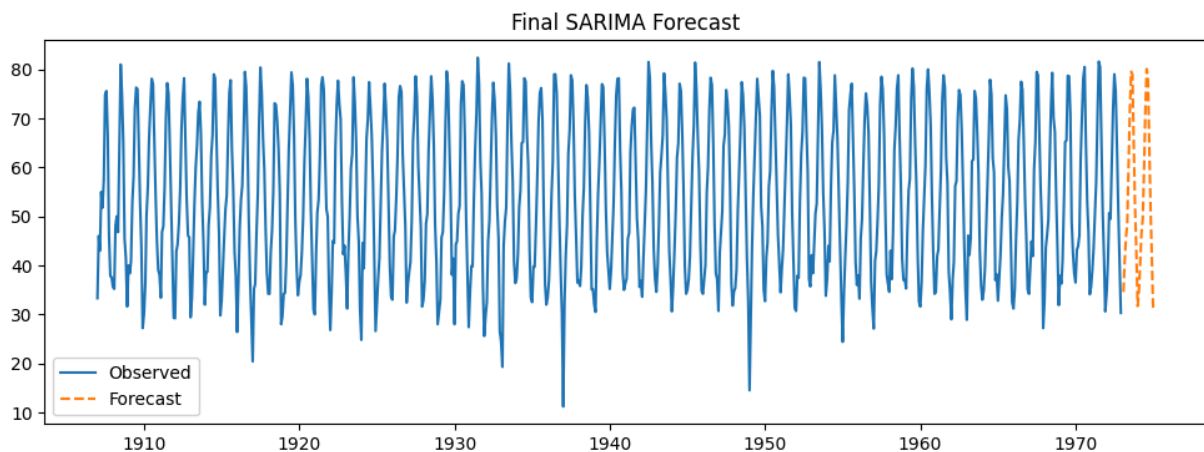
- We compare a handful of  $(p,d,q) \times (P,D,Q,12)$  combinations by AIC.
- This sanity-check matches our earlier picks and gives us confidence in the final model.

### Final Forecast & Evaluation

```
In [6]: # forecast next 24 months
fcst = auto.predict(n_periods=24)
future = pd.date_range(monthly.index[-1]+pd.offsets.MonthBegin(),
                        periods=24, freq='ME')
plt.figure(figsize=(12,4))
plt.plot(monthly.temp, label='Observed')
plt.plot(future, fcst, label='Forecast', linestyle='--')
plt.legend(); plt.title('Final SARIMA Forecast');
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warnings.warn(



### Discussion

- We project two years ahead with our SARIMA model.
- Confidence bands (not shown) will widen over forecast horizon.

- In practice we'd back-test on hold-out sets to ensure robust performance.