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1 Introduction

1.1 Topic

Climate in the Light of Mathematical Equations

1.2 Problem description

Nowadays, when humanity is faced with various challenges regarding ecology and environmental protection, it is interesting to observe the climate of a region through the prism of mathematics and mathematical models. Mathematical models are used to better understand the nature of the behavior of physical characteristics such as temperature, pressure, wind speed, etc. in certain regions. The goal is to first confirm the trend of climate behavior through mathematics based on real data, and then use simulations to predict future behavior. The models used for these purposes are complex equations that require knowledge and application of various areas of mathematics, and for simulations, programming languages.

1.3 Solution

2 Theory

2.1 Autoregression (AR Basics)

Autoregression is a statistical method used for analyzing and predicting time series data. In an autoregressive model, the value of a variable at time t depends linearly on its previous values.

In simple terms, **autoregression means predicting the present based on the past.**

AR(p) Model Definition

An autoregressive model of order p , denoted as $AR(p)$, is defined as:

$$X_t = c + \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \phi_2 X_{t-2} + \cdots + \phi_p X_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t$$

where:

- X_t is the value of the time series at time t
- c is a constant (intercept)
- $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_p$ are the parameters of the model (coefficients)
- p is the order of the model (number of lagged terms)
- ε_t is white noise (a random error term, assumed to be normally distributed with mean 0 and constant variance)

AR(1) Example

The simplest autoregressive model is $AR(1)$, where $p = 1$:

$$X_t = c + \phi_1 X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$

This means that the current value X_t depends on:

- a constant c
- the previous value X_{t-1} multiplied by the coefficient ϕ_1
- a random noise term ε_t

Stationarity Condition

For an AR(1) model to be stationary (i.e., its statistical properties like mean and variance do not change over time), the absolute value of the coefficient must be less than 1:

$$|\phi_1| < 1$$

More generally, for an AR(p) model to be stationary, the roots of the characteristic equation must lie outside the unit circle in the complex plane.

Estimation of Parameters

The parameters ϕ_i can be estimated using methods such as:

- **Least Squares Estimation**
- **Yule-Walker Equations**
- **Maximum Likelihood Estimation**

Use Cases of Autoregression

- Forecasting stock prices
- Weather prediction
- Modeling economic indicators (like GDP, inflation)
- Any time-dependent signal

Conclusion

Autoregression is a powerful yet simple approach to model time series by leveraging past values. It serves as the foundation for more complex models like ARMA and ARIMA.

2.2 SARIMA (Seasonal Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average)

SARIMA models are denoted as:

$$\text{SARIMA}(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)_s$$

where:

- (p, d, q) are the non-seasonal components:
 - p = non-seasonal autoregressive order
 - d = non-seasonal differencing order
 - q = non-seasonal moving average order
- $(P, D, Q)_s$ are the seasonal components:
 - P = seasonal autoregressive order
 - D = seasonal differencing order
 - Q = seasonal moving average order
 - s = length of the seasonal period (e.g., 12 for monthly data with yearly seasonality)

General SARIMA Model Formula

Let B be the backshift operator, where $B^k X_t = X_{t-k}$. The SARIMA model can be written as:

$$\Phi_P(B^s)\phi_p(B)(1-B)^d(1-B^s)^D X_t = \Theta_Q(B^s)\theta_q(B)\varepsilon_t$$

where:

- $\phi_p(B)$ is the non-seasonal AR polynomial:

$$\phi_p(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \phi_2 B^2 - \dots - \phi_p B^p$$

- $\theta_q(B)$ is the non-seasonal MA polynomial:

$$\theta_q(B) = 1 + \theta_1 B + \theta_2 B^2 + \dots + \theta_q B^q$$

- $\Phi_P(B^s)$ is the seasonal AR polynomial:

$$\Phi_P(B^s) = 1 - \Phi_1 B^s - \Phi_2 B^{2s} - \dots - \Phi_P B^{Ps}$$

- $\Theta_Q(B^s)$ is the seasonal MA polynomial:

$$\Theta_Q(B^s) = 1 + \Theta_1 B^s + \Theta_2 B^{2s} + \dots + \Theta_Q B^{Qs}$$

- $(1-B)^d$ is the non-seasonal differencing operator
- $(1-B^s)^D$ is the seasonal differencing operator
- ε_t is white noise

Example: SARIMA(1, 1, 1)(1, 1, 1)₁₂

This model has:

- Non-seasonal AR(1), differencing(1), MA(1)
- Seasonal AR(1), differencing(1), MA(1) with period 12 (e.g., monthly data with yearly seasonality)

$$(1 - \phi_1 B)(1 - \Phi_1 B^{12})(1 - B)(1 - B^{12})X_t = (1 + \theta_1 B)(1 + \Theta_1 B^{12})\varepsilon_t$$

Steps to Fit a SARIMA Model

1. **Visualize** the time series and identify trends and seasonality.
2. **Difference** the series d times and D seasonal times (if necessary) to make it stationary.
3. **Identify** potential orders (p, q) and (P, Q) using ACF/PACF plots.
4. **Estimate** parameters using Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE).
5. **Diagnose** the residuals to check if they resemble white noise.
6. **Forecast** future values using the fitted model.

Conclusion

SARIMA enhances ARIMA by incorporating seasonal patterns directly into the model. It is a robust and versatile approach for time series forecasting, especially when both trend and seasonality are present.

2.3 SARIMAX

2.4 LSTM (Long-Short Term Memory)

3 Hybrid Modeling

Hybrid Models (SARIMAX, LSTM)

The SARIMA model is great for short- to medium-term forecasting when the data structure remains stable. But when we look far into the future, its limitations become apparent.

- **Linearity:** SARIMA is a linear model. It assumes that the relationship between past and future values is linear. Weather systems, economies, and other complex processes are deeply non-linear.
- **Damping to the mean:** When forecasting many steps ahead, SARIMA forecasts inevitably tend to converge to the mean of the series (or its trend). Confidence intervals become extremely wide, and the forecast loses its practical value. It shows the average "climate normal", not the actual future weather.
- **Static:** The model assumes that the parameters describing the series (coefficients,) are constant. In the real world, the climate changes, economic conditions evolve, and these parameters can change over time.

Key advantages of LSTMs

- **Learning nonlinear dependencies:** LSTMs are able to detect complex, non-linear patterns in data that SARIMA simply ignores.
- **"Memory":** Thanks to its gate architecture, LSTMs can "decide" which information from the past to keep for the long term and which to forget. This allows it to capture dependencies spanning long periods.
- **Working with many variables:** LSTM can easily add other time series (e.g. solar activity, humidity, data from other weather stations) to improve the forecast. This is called multivariate forecasting.

The idea is to decompose the time series into two components: linear and nonlinear.

$$Y_t = L_t + N_t$$

where:

- L_t – is the linear component (trends, seasonality).
- N_t – is the nonlinear component (complex patterns, randomness).

Algorithm for building a hybrid model

1. Train SARIMAX. We build the best possible SARIMA model for our data (for example, for temperature). We use it to make a forecast. This prediction will be our linear component: $L^t = SARIMA_forecast(Yt)$.
2. Obtain the residuals. Residuals are the difference between the actual data and the SARIMA forecast. They represent the part of the data that the linear model could not explain.

$$Nt = Yt - L^t$$

These residuals contain all the nonlinear information.

3. Train the LSTM on the residuals. Now, we train the LSTM model to predict the residuals from the SARIMA model rather than the data itself. The goal of LSTM is to find hidden patterns in these residuals. We get the forecast of the nonlinear part: $N^t = LSTM_forecast(Nt)$.
4. Combine the forecasts. The final, improved forecast is the sum of the SARIMA forecast and the LSTM residual forecast.

$$Y^t = L^t + N^t$$

This approach allows SARIMAX to do what it does best (model linear trends and seasonality) and let LSTM do the hard part - model the rest, i.e., the non-linear dynamics.

4 Modelling. Solution

We try to predict weather with at least with temprature, wind,pressure

The mathematical representation of SARIMA is as follows:

$$(1 - \phi_1\beta)(1 - \Phi_1\beta^S)(1 - \beta)(1 - \beta^S)y_t = (1 + \theta_1\beta)(1 + \Theta_1\beta^S)\varepsilon_t$$

- y_t is the observed time series at time t ,
- B is the backward shift operator, representing the lag operator (i.e., $By_t = y_{t-1}$),
- ϕ_1 is the non-seasonal autoregressive coefficient,
- Φ_1 is the seasonal autoregressive coefficient,
- θ_1 is the non-seasonal moving average coefficient,
- Θ_1 is the seasonal moving average coefficient,
- s is the seasonal period,
- ε_t is the white noise error term at time t .

After additional research it better to use SARIMAX. The differences only in that could simply add the external regressors as a linear term, just like in a standard regression model.

If look at the math step-by-step:

1. The Baseline SARIMA Model Equation

The standard SARIMA(p, d, q)(P, D, Q) $_s$ model describes a time series y_t by relating it to its own past values and past error terms. The mathematical representation, using the backshift operator B , is:

$$\phi_p(B)\Phi_P(B^s)(1 - B)^d(1 - B^s)^Dy_t = \theta_q(B)\Theta_Q(B^s)\varepsilon_t$$

Where:

- $\phi_p(B) = (1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p)$ is the non-seasonal autoregressive polynomial.
- $\Phi_P(B^s) = (1 - \Phi_1 B^s - \dots - \Phi_P B^{Ps})$ is the seasonal autoregressive polynomial.
- $\theta_q(B) = (1 + \theta_1 B + \dots + \theta_q B^q)$ is the non-seasonal moving average polynomial.
- $\Theta_Q(B^s) = (1 + \Theta_1 B^s + \dots + \Theta_Q B^{Qs})$ is the seasonal moving average polynomial.
- $(1 - B)^d$ and $(1 - B^s)^D$ represent the non-seasonal and seasonal differencing operators, respectively.
- ε_t is the white noise error term.

2. Incorporating External Regressors (The 'X' Component)

To account for the influence of external variables, we introduce a linear combination of these regressors into the model. Let's say we have k external time series regressors, denoted as $x_{1,t}, x_{2,t}, \dots, x_{k,t}$. Each regressor is assigned a coefficient β_i .

The influence of these regressors is captured by the term:

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i x_{i,t} = \beta_1 x_{1,t} + \beta_2 x_{2,t} + \dots + \beta_k x_{k,t}$$

3. The Complete SARIMAX Equation

The SARIMAX model combines the SARIMA structure for the error terms with the linear regression component for the external variables. The external regressors are added to the right-hand side of the equation.

The final mathematical model is:

$$\phi_p(B)\Phi_P(B^s)(1 - B)^d(1 - B^s)^D y_t = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i x_{i,t} + \theta_q(B)\Theta_Q(B^s)\varepsilon_t$$

This equation states that the differenced and autoregressively transformed value of y_t is a function of the external variables plus a structured error term (the moving average part).

4. Application to Weather Forecasting

Let's define the model for predicting temperature, using pressure and wind components as external regressors.

- Target value (Endogenous): $y_{1,t} = \text{Temperature}_t$
- External regressor 1: $x_{1,t} = \text{Pressure}_t$
- External regressor 2: $x_{1,t} = \text{Wind}_t(\text{direction})$
- External regressor 3: $x_{1,t} = S - \text{Wind}_t(\text{speed})$

5 Literature

- [Linear/polynomial regression](#)
- [Autoregressive and time series \(1\)](#)
- [Autoregressive and time series \(2\)](#)
- [Predicting climate change using an AR LSTM](#)

- Time Series Prediction with LSTM
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6 Additional

- Link for GitHub Repository
- Link for Kaggle Notebook
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