

01-Prophet-Forecast-Evaluations

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1 Forecast Evaluations

1.0.1 Classic Train/Test Split

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
      from fbprophet import Prophet
      %matplotlib inline
```

```
[183]: df = pd.read_csv('../Data/Miles_Traveled.csv')
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[184]: df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 588 entries, 0 to 587
Data columns (total 2 columns):
DATE                588 non-null object
TRFVOLUSM227NFWA    588 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(1), object(1)
memory usage: 9.3+ KB
```

```
[185]: df.head()
```

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[185]:
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	DATE	TRFVOLUSM227NFWA
0	1970-01-01	80173.0
1	1970-02-01	77442.0
2	1970-03-01	90223.0
3	1970-04-01	89956.0
4	1970-05-01	97972.0

```
[186]: df.columns = ['ds', 'y']
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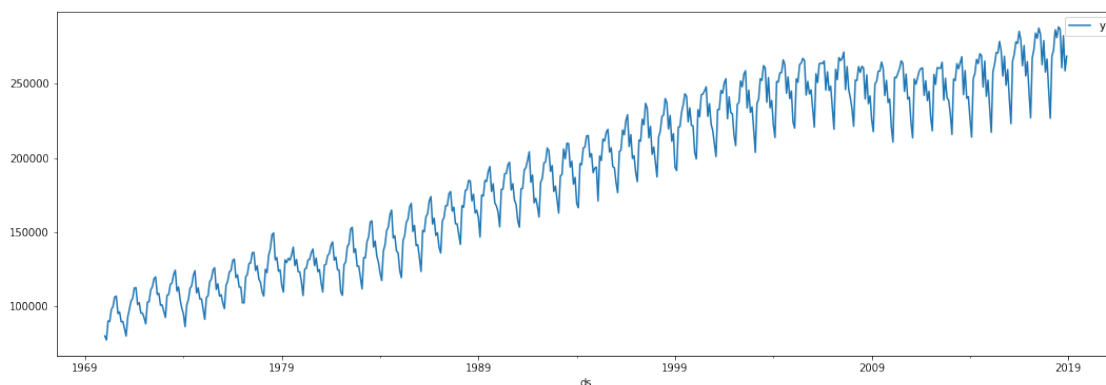
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[187]: # YOU CAN SAFELY IGNORE THIS COPY WARNING
# CHECK THE DOCS LINK FOR MORE INFO ON THIS COPY WARNING
df['ds'] = pd.to_datetime(df['ds'])
```

```
[188]: df.head()
```

```
[188]:      ds      y
0 1970-01-01  80173.0
1 1970-02-01  77442.0
2 1970-03-01  90223.0
3 1970-04-01  89956.0
4 1970-05-01  97972.0
```

```
[189]: df.plot(x='ds',y='y',figsize=(18,6))
```

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[189]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1bcf1860>
```



```
[190]: len(df)
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[190]: 588
```

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[191]: len(df) - 12
```

```
[191]: 576
```

```
[192]: train = df.iloc[:576]
test = df.iloc[576:]
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[193]: m = Prophet()
m.fit(train)
future = m.make_future_dataframe(periods=12,freq='MS')
forecast = m.predict(future)
```

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INFO:fbprophet:Disabling weekly seasonality. Run prophet with
weekly_seasonality=True to override this.
INFO:fbprophet:Disabling daily seasonality. Run prophet with
daily_seasonality=True to override this.
/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/pystan/misc.py:399: FutureWarning:
Conversion of the second argument of issubdtype from `float` to `np.floating` is
deprecated. In future, it will be treated as `np.float64 ==
np.dtype(float).type`.
    elif np.issubdtype(np.asarray(v).dtype, float):
```

```
[194]: forecast.tail()
```

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[194]:
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	ds	trend	yhat_lower	yhat_upper	trend_lower	\
583	2018-08-01	263348.877048	274069.034629	285530.763538	263272.182929	
584	2018-09-01	263489.606772	255853.724067	267198.537533	263369.019000	
585	2018-10-01	263625.796827	263247.354895	274539.143701	263477.532695	
586	2018-11-01	263766.526551	250087.267929	261329.148126	263586.328108	
587	2018-12-01	263902.716607	251026.012016	262766.066957	263680.350517	

	trend_upper	additive_terms	additive_terms_lower	\
583	263408.698329	16448.763644	16448.763644	
584	263577.835001	-1669.492450	-1669.492450	
585	263745.882773	5307.799177	5307.799177	
586	263936.075269	-8206.692440	-8206.692440	
587	264106.895858	-6920.633214	-6920.633214	

	additive_terms_upper	yearly	yearly_lower	yearly_upper	\
583	16448.763644	16448.763644	16448.763644	16448.763644	
584	-1669.492450	-1669.492450	-1669.492450	-1669.492450	
585	5307.799177	5307.799177	5307.799177	5307.799177	
586	-8206.692440	-8206.692440	-8206.692440	-8206.692440	
587	-6920.633214	-6920.633214	-6920.633214	-6920.633214	

	multiplicative_terms	multiplicative_terms_lower	\
583	0.0	0.0	
584	0.0	0.0	
585	0.0	0.0	
586	0.0	0.0	
587	0.0	0.0	

	multiplicative_terms_upper	yhat
583	0.0	279797.640692
584	0.0	261820.114321
585	0.0	268933.596004
586	0.0	255559.834111
587	0.0	256982.083393

```
[195]: test.tail()
```

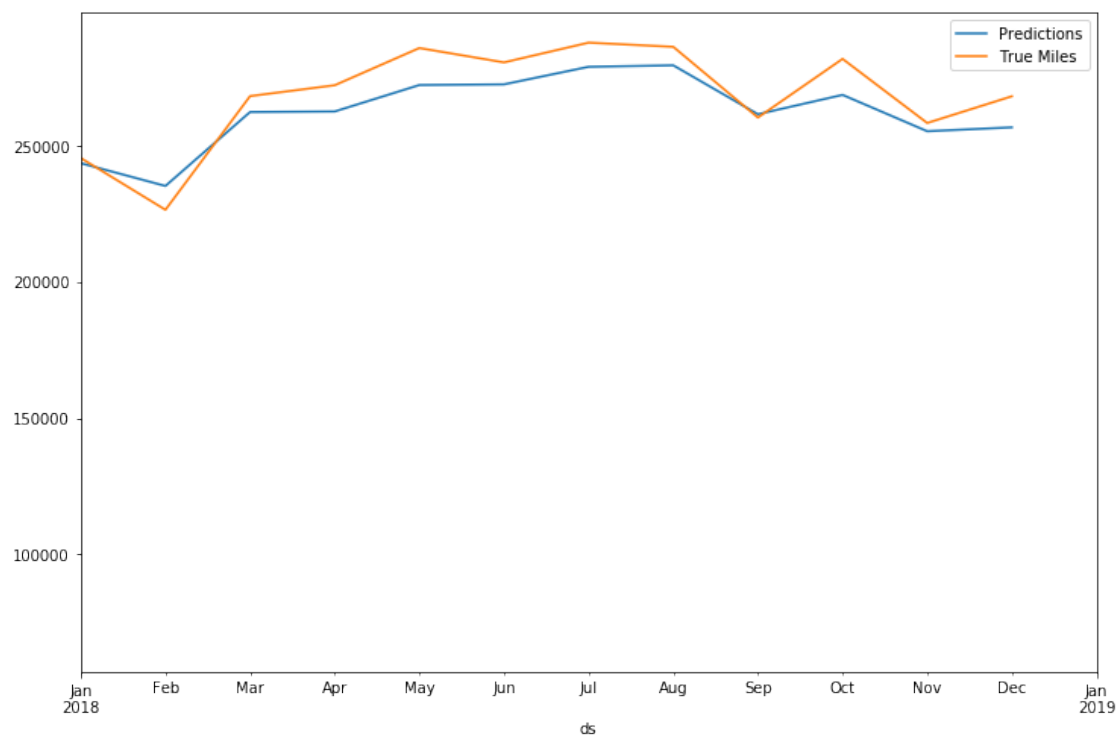
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[195]:      ds      y
583 2018-08-01 286608.0
584 2018-09-01 260595.0
585 2018-10-01 282174.0
586 2018-11-01 258590.0
587 2018-12-01 268413.0
```

Info on ax= parameter

```
[196]: ax = forecast.
      ↪plot(x='ds',y='yhat',label='Predictions',legend=True,figsize=(12,8))

test.plot(x='ds',y='y',label='True_
      ↪Miles',legend=True,ax=ax,xlim=('2018-01-01','2019-01-01'))
```

```
[196]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1be0d9e8>
```



```
[197]: from statsmodels.tools.eval_measures import rmse
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```
[198]: predictions = forecast.iloc[-12:]['yhat']
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```
[199]: predictions
```

```
[199]: 576    243796.609534
      577    235426.627562
      578    262627.330849
      579    262828.742010
      580    272552.156586
      581    272803.877580
      582    279261.432668
      583    279797.640692
      584    261820.114321
      585    268933.596004
      586    255559.834111
      587    256982.083393
      Name: yhat, dtype: float64
```

```
[200]: test['y']
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[200]: 576    245695.0
      577    226660.0
      578    268480.0
      579    272475.0
      580    286164.0
      581    280877.0
      582    288145.0
      583    286608.0
      584    260595.0
      585    282174.0
      586    258590.0
      587    268413.0
      Name: y, dtype: float64
```

```
[201]: rmse(predictions, test['y'])
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[201]: 8661.095901709492
```

```
[202]: test.mean()
```

```
[202]: y    268739.666667
      dtype: float64
```

2 Prophet Diagnostics

Prophet includes functionality for time series cross validation to measure forecast error using historical data. This is done by selecting cutoff points in the history, and for each of them fitting the

model using data only up to that cutoff point. We can then compare the forecasted values to the actual values.

```
[204]: from fbprophet.diagnostics import cross_validation, performance_metrics
       from fbprophet.plot import plot_cross_validation_metric
```

```
[205]: len(df)
```

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[205]: 588
```

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[206]: len(df)/12
```

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[206]: 49.0
```

The initial period should be long enough to capture all of the components of the model, in particular seasonalities and extra regressors: at least a year for yearly seasonality, at least a week for weekly seasonality, etc.

```
[207]: # help(pd.Timedelta)
```

```
[162]: # Initial 5 years training period
       initial = 5 * 365
       initial = str(initial) + ' days'
       # Fold every 5 years
       period = 5 * 365
       period = str(period) + ' days'
       # Forecast 1 year into the future
       horizon = 365
       horizon = str(horizon) + ' days'
```

```
[210]: df_cv = cross_validation(m, initial=initial, period=period, horizon = horizon)
```

```
INFO:fbprophet:Making 9 forecasts with cutoffs between 1976-12-11 00:00:00 and
2016-12-01 00:00:00
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Conversion of the second argument of issubdtype from `float` to `np.floating` is
deprecated. In future, it will be treated as `np.float64 ==
np.dtype(float).type`.
    elif np.issubdtype(np.asarray(v).dtype, float):
```

```
[213]: df_cv.head()
```

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[213]:
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	ds	yhat	yhat_lower	yhat_upper	y	cutoff
0	1977-01-01	108545.172580	107099.748151	110016.346952	102445.0	1976-12-11
1	1977-02-01	103082.245846	101525.992338	104689.450272	102416.0	1976-12-11
2	1977-03-01	118966.635618	117449.707291	120459.804913	119960.0	1976-12-11
3	1977-04-01	120606.270683	119041.821340	122263.557564	121513.0	1976-12-11
4	1977-05-01	127889.386836	126347.199524	129456.699558	128884.0	1976-12-11

```
[214]: df_cv.tail()
```

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[214]:
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	ds	yhat	yhat_lower	yhat_upper	y	\
103	2017-08-01	273254.523501	267202.320371	279511.599691	283184.0	
104	2017-09-01	255372.720203	249330.743827	261084.844672	262673.0	
105	2017-10-01	262476.518564	256769.520993	268001.419001	278937.0	
106	2017-11-01	249126.648938	243459.338900	254747.159187	257712.0	
107	2017-12-01	250371.688410	244625.193390	256090.260107	266535.0	


```
      cutoff
```

103	2016-12-01
104	2016-12-01
105	2016-12-01
106	2016-12-01
107	2016-12-01

```
[215]: performance_metrics(df_cv)
```

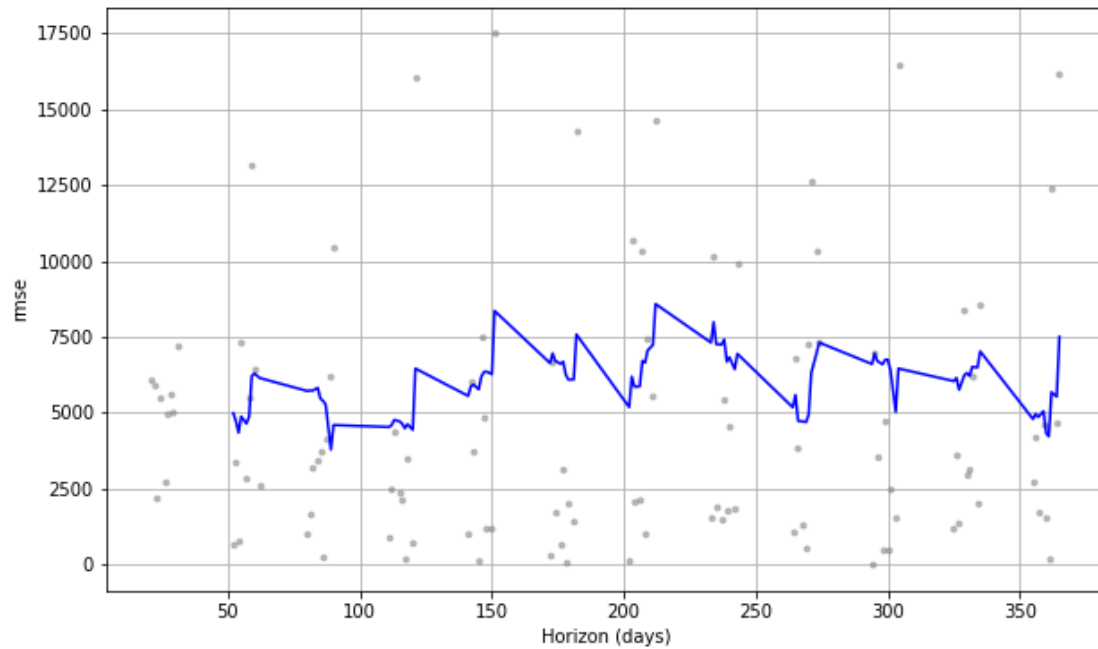
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[215]:
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	horizon	mse	rmse	mae	mape	coverage
1	52 days	2.484109e+07	4984.083210	4590.014835	0.028137	0.3
13	53 days	2.226842e+07	4718.943023	4318.899977	0.025335	0.3
25	54 days	1.882583e+07	4338.874820	3803.991852	0.020509	0.4
37	55 days	2.374039e+07	4872.411127	4319.472747	0.023528	0.3
49	57 days	2.150039e+07	4636.851520	4050.449106	0.021775	0.4
61	58 days	2.377014e+07	4875.463292	4327.071181	0.022979	0.3
73	59 days	3.857268e+07	6210.691064	5144.794773	0.026666	0.3
85	60 days	3.959640e+07	6292.566974	5229.654576	0.027225	0.3
97	62 days	3.773627e+07	6142.985167	4985.238970	0.026153	0.4
2	80 days	3.264865e+07	5713.899872	4364.416238	0.024037	0.5
14	81 days	3.287214e+07	5733.423310	4461.461888	0.024663	0.5
26	82 days	3.273578e+07	5721.519435	4440.708849	0.023530	0.6
38	84 days	3.384815e+07	5817.916077	4706.128999	0.024828	0.6
50	85 days	2.983983e+07	5462.584849	4343.936561	0.022000	0.7
62	86 days	2.905115e+07	5389.912117	4085.532750	0.020567	0.7
74	87 days	2.775881e+07	5268.662783	3951.324112	0.019528	0.8
86	89 days	1.430251e+07	3781.865304	3254.512729	0.015944	0.8
98	90 days	2.108837e+07	4592.207361	3655.515480	0.016900	0.8
3	111 days	2.050330e+07	4528.056835	3487.869704	0.016508	0.8
15	112 days	2.102938e+07	4585.780229	3638.485039	0.017605	0.8
27	113 days	2.267923e+07	4762.271752	3912.733905	0.019068	0.7
39	115 days	2.221524e+07	4713.304385	3828.720432	0.018308	0.7
51	116 days	2.148911e+07	4635.634353	3697.477130	0.017444	0.7
63	117 days	2.010623e+07	4483.996740	3341.901127	0.015758	0.7
75	118 days	2.133499e+07	4618.981764	3669.814813	0.017050	0.7
87	120 days	1.967055e+07	4435.148827	3327.928592	0.015744	0.7
99	121 days	4.166916e+07	6455.165095	4317.240942	0.019222	0.7
4	141 days	3.081409e+07	5551.044078	3370.089073	0.016079	0.8

16	142 days	3.438259e+07	5863.667285	3883.627983	0.019640	0.7
28	143 days	3.514306e+07	5928.158078	4005.862058	0.019933	0.6
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80	271 days	3.987511e+07	6314.674121	4976.697924	0.023250	0.4
92	273 days	4.844885e+07	6960.520511	5553.268374	0.025891	0.4
104	274 days	5.344181e+07	7310.390781	6099.873093	0.027976	0.3
9	294 days	4.358237e+07	6601.694686	5107.910769	0.024477	0.4
21	295 days	4.833680e+07	6952.467359	5700.946543	0.028662	0.3
33	296 days	4.493632e+07	6703.455933	5371.935619	0.025776	0.4
45	298 days	4.346401e+07	6592.723880	5032.356394	0.023663	0.5
57	299 days	4.552935e+07	6747.544186	5373.830620	0.025112	0.4
69	300 days	4.552068e+07	6746.901166	5365.366312	0.025043	0.4
81	301 days	4.089633e+07	6395.023462	4890.486857	0.022897	0.5
93	303 days	2.522518e+07	5022.467234	3784.087415	0.018380	0.6
105	304 days	4.167387e+07	6455.530562	4398.338718	0.019962	0.6
10	325 days	3.647964e+07	6039.837575	3784.574064	0.018164	0.7
22	326 days	3.777531e+07	6146.162380	4143.544816	0.020989	0.6
34	327 days	3.309616e+07	5752.926051	3581.869386	0.016836	0.7
46	329 days	3.890957e+07	6237.753416	4069.502509	0.019459	0.6
58	330 days	3.977554e+07	6306.784866	4320.509403	0.020690	0.6
70	331 days	3.850361e+07	6205.127551	4158.292100	0.019899	0.7
82	332 days	4.235969e+07	6508.432077	4734.018144	0.022242	0.6
94	334 days	4.215073e+07	6492.359713	4687.867562	0.022133	0.6
106	335 days	4.928129e+07	7020.063687	5391.397587	0.024853	0.5
11	355 days	2.293877e+07	4789.443607	4019.615883	0.021311	0.5
23	356 days	2.458287e+07	4958.111216	4325.166305	0.023648	0.4
35	357 days	2.357850e+07	4855.769282	4135.888952	0.021912	0.5
47	359 days	2.551276e+07	5051.015397	4460.452054	0.023583	0.4
59	360 days	1.868912e+07	4323.091979	3772.440320	0.019581	0.5
71	361 days	1.780565e+07	4219.674693	3495.847307	0.018200	0.5
83	362 days	3.222687e+07	5676.871671	4425.396521	0.022014	0.4
95	364 days	3.053159e+07	5525.539664	4269.861337	0.021438	0.5
107	365 days	5.624352e+07	7499.567688	5682.885529	0.026656	0.4

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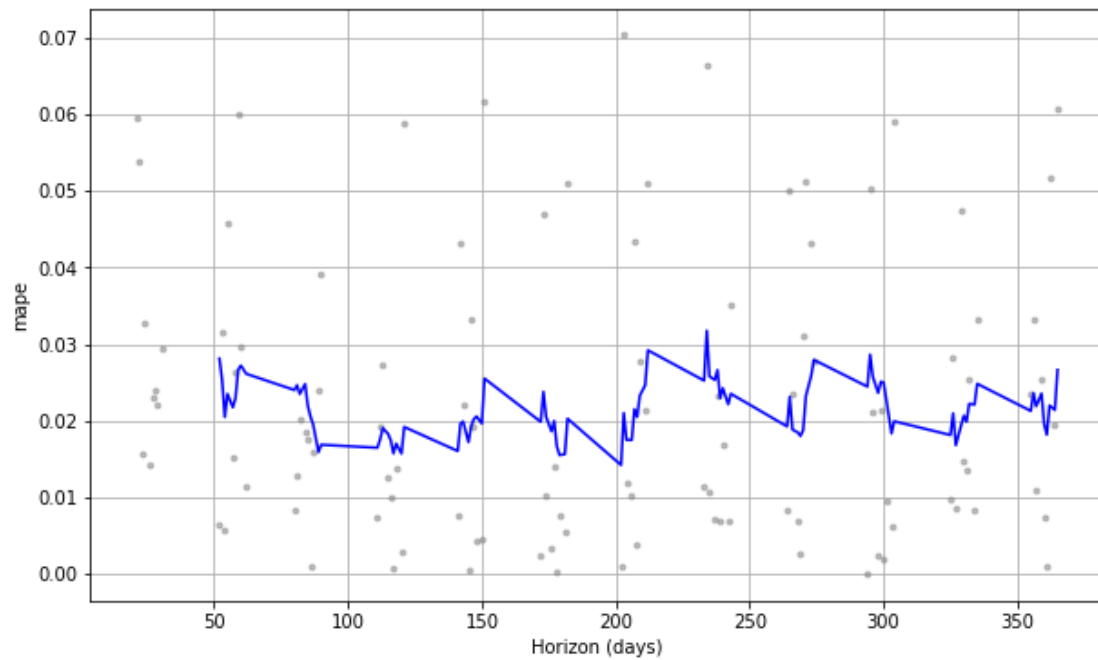
```
[217]: plot_cross_validation_metric(df_cv, metric='rmse');
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MAPE is Mean Absolute Percentage Error

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mean_absolute_percentage_error

```
[218]: plot_cross_validation_metric(df_cv, metric='mape');
```



3 Great Job!