

Data Science Companion

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Abstract

A reference for basic data science tools and vocabulary, explaining essential terms and concepts, examining core ideas in major areas, and putting methods in context. Includes relevant keywords and references for further

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1 General Machine Learning

1.1 Model Selection

1.1.1 Akaike information criterion (AIC)

Test [Raf95].

1.1.2 Bayes information criterion (BIC)

References (General Machine Learning)

Raftery, Adrian E. (1995). “Bayesian Model Selection in Social Research”. In: *Sociological Methodology* 25, pp. 111–163. URL: <http://www.jstor.org/stable/271063>.

2 Time series & Forecasting

2.1 ARIMA

An $\text{ARIMA}(p, d, q)$ is an *autoregressive integrated moving-average* with p autoregressive terms (AR), d differencings, and q moving average (MA) terms. [HA18].

$$\phi(B)(1 - B)^d Y_t = c + \theta(B)\epsilon_t$$

where

- B is the back-shift/lag operator $BY_t = Y_{t-1}$.
- $\phi(B) = (1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p)$ is the autoregressive $\text{AR}(p)$ component
- c is a constant
- $\theta(B) = 1 + \theta_1 B + \dots + \theta_q B^q$ is the moving average of the errors $\text{MA}(q)$ component.
- ϵ_t is the error of the $\text{AR}(p)$ model at time t
- The $(1 - B)^d$ term induces d differencing

2.2 In R

`auto.arima` utilizes AIC and MLE to decide on best ARIMA parameters

2.3 In Python

References (Time Series & Forecasting)

Hyndman, R.J. and G. Athanasopoulos (2018). *Forecasting: principles and practice*. OTexts. URL: https://books.google.com/books?id=_bBhDwAAQBAJ.