

# Capstone Project 1: Exploratory data analysis and inferential statistics

## Correlation between variables:

Correlation matrix between the variables is generated below (Fig 1). Following variables have high correlation:

- 1. SMSIn and callIn
- 2. SMSIn and callOut
- 3. callIn and callOut

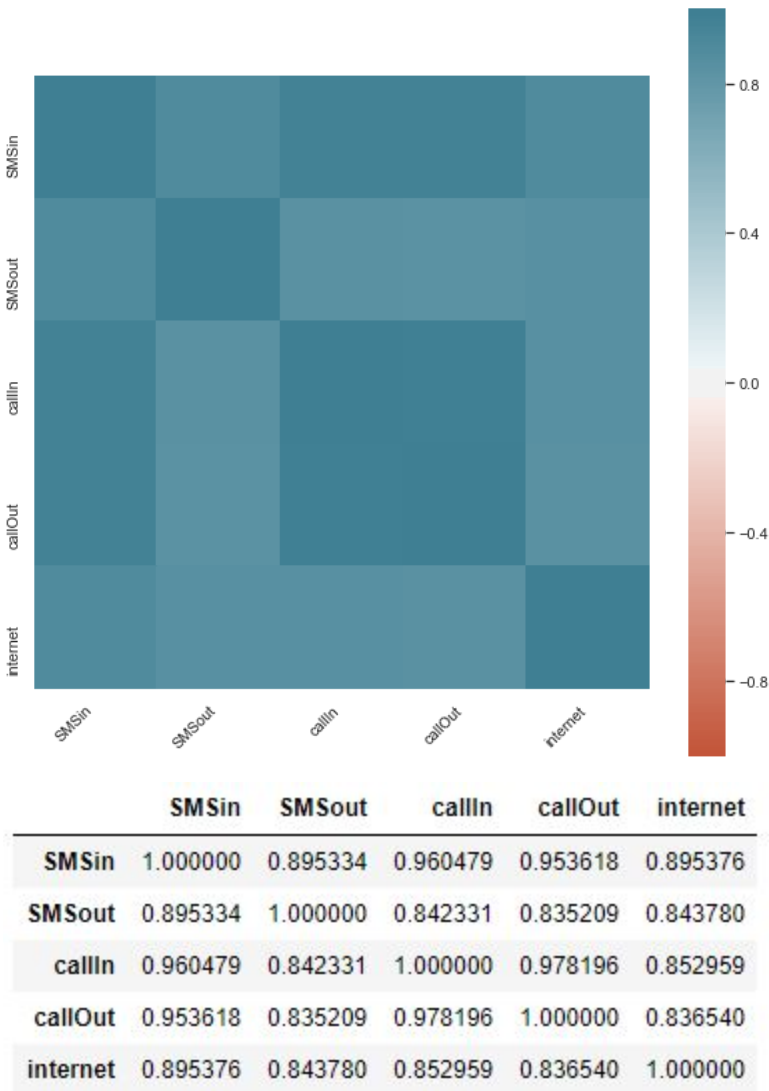


Fig1

# Autocorrelation:

The data seems to be auto correlated. I've taken autocorrelation for different lag time periods, from one hour to 1 week (Fig 2).

```
for i in [1,2,24,168]:
    print('lag = '+str(i)+' hrs SMS auto correlation is ' + str(hourlydf['SMS'].autocorr(lag=i)))
for i in [1,2,24,168]:
    print('lag = '+str(i)+' hrs call auto correlation is ' + str(hourlydf['call'].autocorr(lag=i)))
for i in [1,2,24,168]:
    print('lag = '+str(i)+' hrs internet auto correlation is ' + str(hourlydf['internet'].autocorr(lag=i)))
```

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lag = 1 hrs SMS auto correlation is 0.9590042514701889
lag = 2 hrs SMS auto correlation is 0.8940868900873471
lag = 24 hrs SMS auto correlation is 0.9064699477973678
lag = 168 hrs SMS auto correlation is 0.8945711393619599
lag = 1 hrs call auto correlation is 0.9654173910850429
lag = 2 hrs call auto correlation is 0.8901350086975313
lag = 24 hrs call auto correlation is 0.9154217571774697
lag = 168 hrs call auto correlation is 0.9132183392189821
lag = 1 hrs internet auto correlation is 0.9821365888522948
lag = 2 hrs internet auto correlation is 0.9497953836523055
lag = 24 hrs internet auto correlation is 0.9470411443626819
lag = 168 hrs internet auto correlation is 0.9142671844527529
```

Fig 2

It is observed that 1 hour correlation is high, but the data would not have moved much from the previous hour, for the same reason we cannot use this as we have to find a pattern. Other than 1 Hr the 24 Hrs lag has the highest correlation. (Fig 3)

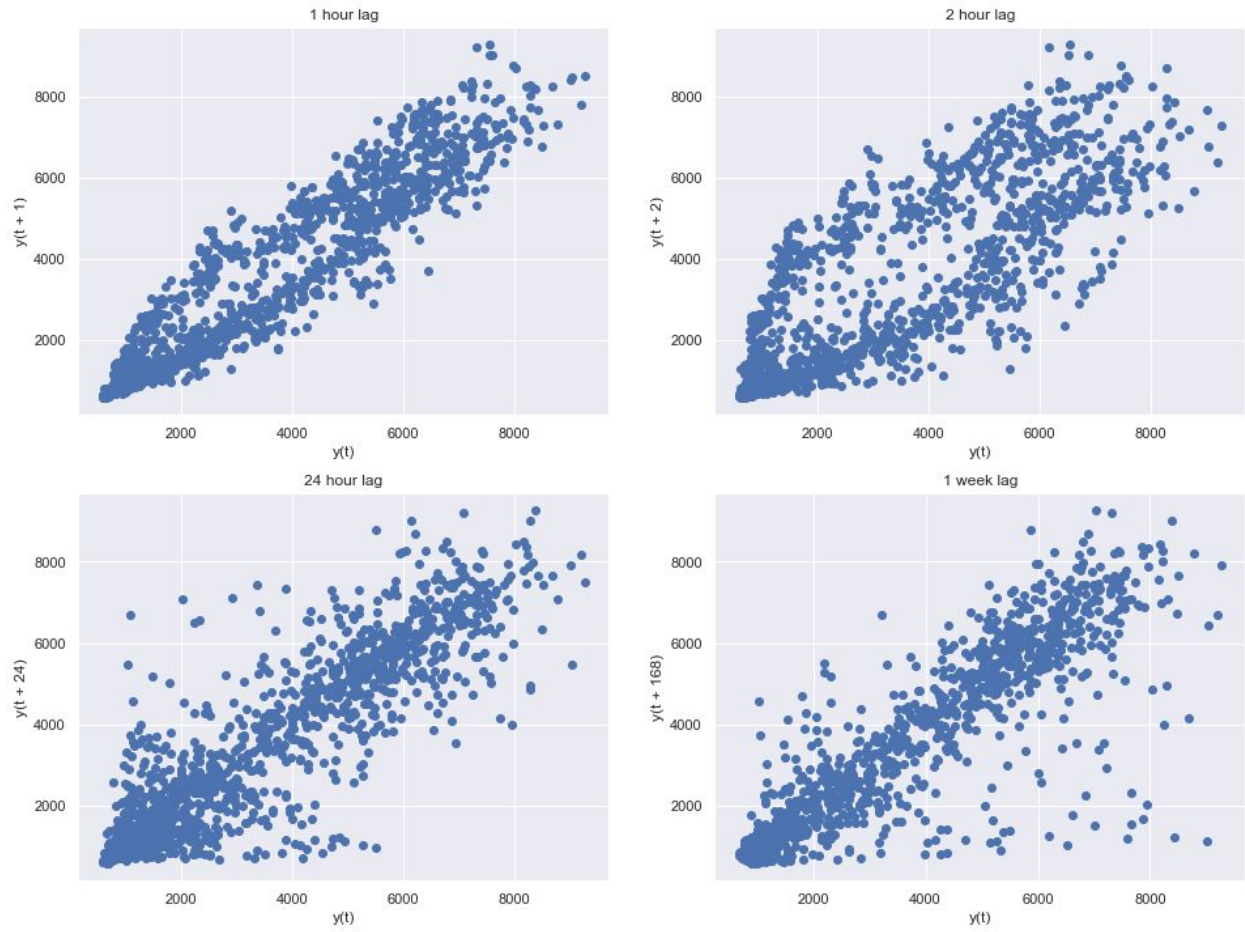


Fig 3

## Fitting the data to a model:

The data seems to be following a sine distribution over a 24 hour period. A simple sin function is defined to fit the model of the data (Fig 4)



Fig 4

Curved fit of the data is extracted using the `scipy.stats.optimize.curve_fit` module. (Fig 5)

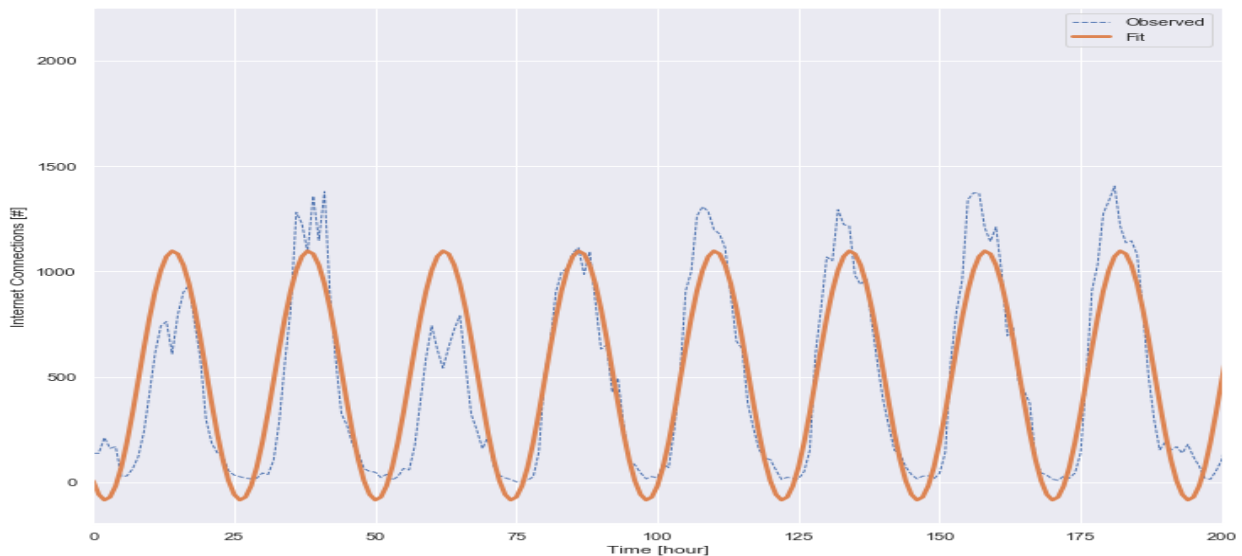


Fig 5

The optimized parameters of the model is as below:

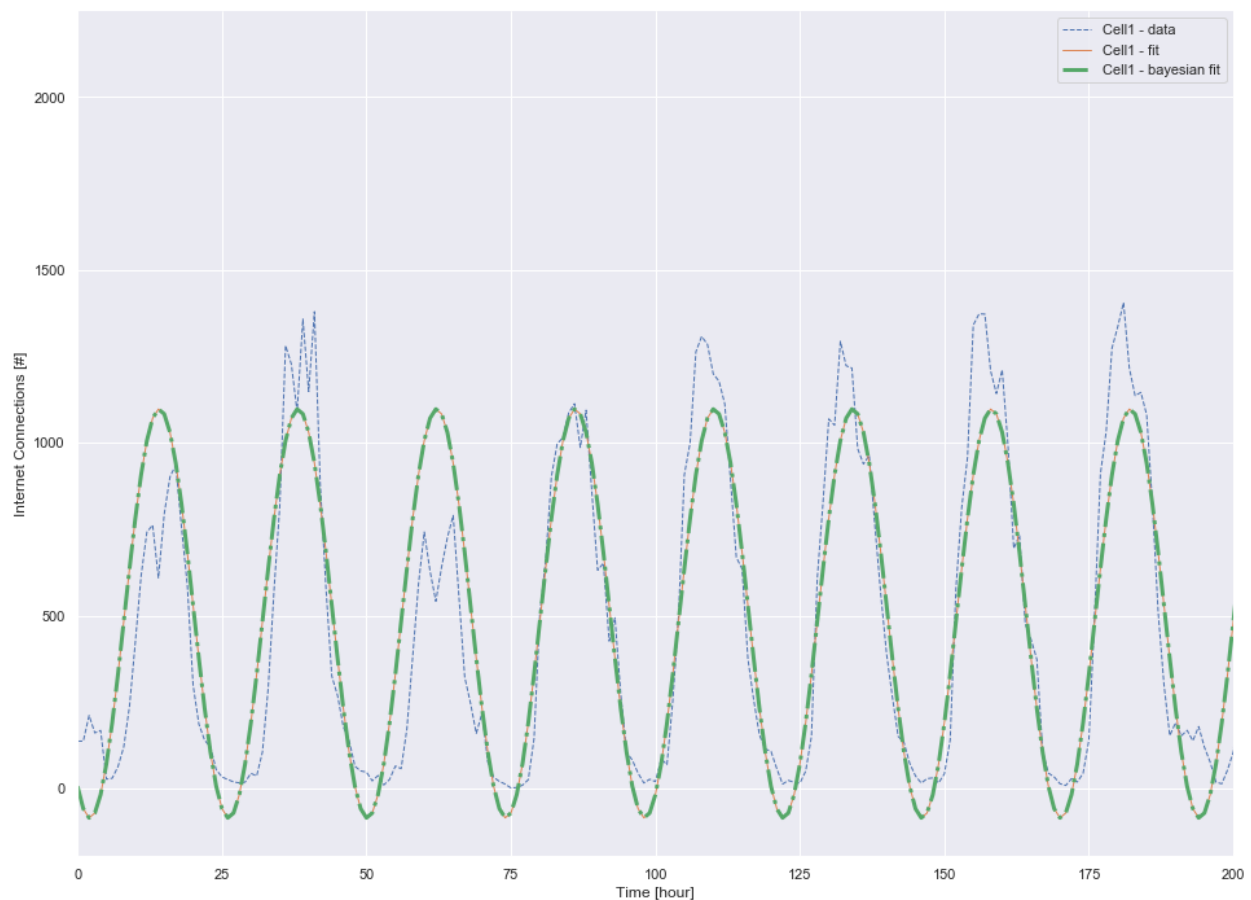
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[-591.47320253  1.00647232  506.37233919]
```

## Bayesian Inference to verify the model parameters:

The optimized parameters derived from the `curved_fit` model are used to simulate Bayesian Inference to further optimize the parameter. The sine function defined earlier is passed as a parameter along with the other parameters and simulated for 100,000 times. The resulting parameters are as below:

```
-591.4616715289899, 1.0064954662446066, 506.37785220698527
```

The observed data, curve fit model and Bayesian fit model are plotted below. The curve fit model and Bayesian inference both seem to be very close.



**Conclusion:** The parameters derived from `scipy stats curve fit` and Bayesian inference are almost the same, we can infer that the parameters to represent the sin distribution is accurate based on the available data.