STAT 223: Project 4

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Home energy consumption

The purpose here is to detect any trends or other patterns in home energy consumption, and to enable me to identify baseline gas and electrical usage, as distinct from seasonally dependent usage. What usage statistics are predicted to occur in 2019?

- 1. Title: Home Energy Usage (energy.csv)
- 2. Relevant Information:

These data comprise 4 years of home energy usage in a suburban Galesburg ranch home built in 1969 from January of

2015 through December of 2018. The home has the usual electrical appliances, gas heat and hot water, and electrically

driven central air conditioning. A happily married husband and wife live in the home, the former of which is always too cold

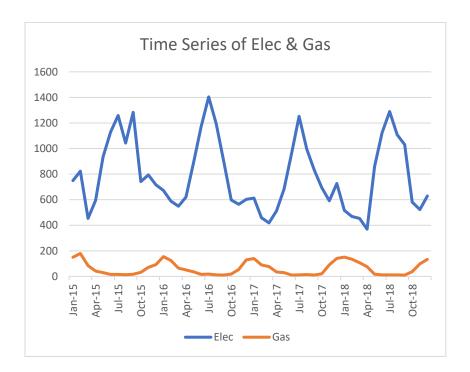
while the latter is always too hot. From January of 2015 through July of 2016, a college student (my daughter Emily) lived

in the home. She takes long, hot showers.

- 3. Number of Instances: 48.
- 4. Number of Attributes: 3, including the month
- 5. Attribute Information:
- 1. Month: character
- 2. Elec (kwh): numeric
- 3. Gas (therms): numeric
- 6. Missing Attribute Values: none.

DATA ANALYSIS

1. The data file is in Classroom for download under the name "energy.csv". First, load it into Excel and save as an Excel file. Produce a time series plot of the electric and gas series on the same graph. Describe any patterns that you see and speculate on reasons for those patterns. Copy the Excel graph into your project write-up.



For both the electrical and gas time series, we can see a seasonal aspect where the rate increases periodically. We see spikes in the electric bill during the summer months (Apr-Jul). This might be because the air conditioning is required throughout the day because the temperature is too warm outside. We can also see peaks in the gas bill during the winter months (Oct-Jan). This might be because heating is required more in colder seasons.

We do not see an increasing or decreasing trend as time flows. We cannot certainly say about the random aspect either as it requires more analysis later in this exercise.

- 2. For the electric data only, create columns in your spreadsheet that contain the naive forecasts, average forecasts, and moving average order 3 forecasts. For each of these forecasts, create a column for the absolute errors, and compute at the bottom the mean absolute error. Copy the table into your project write-up as an appendix, and report on which forecasting method was most successful according to the MAE criterion.
- = Table attached in Appendix. From our excel calculation, we see that the MAE for naïve forecast is 175.83, MAE for average forecast is 257.54 and MAE for moving average forecast is 243.207. From the MAE criterion, we are trying to reduce the errors in our time series forecast so we can conclude here that naïve is the best forecasting method for our time series. This means that the bill for electricity depends on the previous month.
- 3. Now load the "energy.csv" file into R and create time series objects for both electric and gas. Decompose each series into a trend, seasonal, and random component with the decompose (seriesname) command as shown in the notes file. For each, do a regression of the trend data on time to check whether there is a significant linear increase or decrease in energy usage. Given your finding about the trend, and the pattern of the seasonal component, what would you predict for my electrical and gas usages for the first three months of 2019?

= For electricity

Below is the decomposition and plot for electricity time series.

```
decompElec <- decompose(electimeseries)
decompElec$trend</pre>
May
44.48032
44.48032
44.48032

        Jul
        Aug
        Sep
        Oct
        Nov

        503.32755
        284.49421
        216.77199 -107.75579 -131.24190

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        216.77199 -107.75579 -131.24190

Jan Feb Mar Apr

2015 -180.15856 -276.50579 -305.57523 -272.85301

2016 -180.15856 -276.50579 -305.57523 -272.85301

2017 -180.15856 -276.50579 -305.57523 -272.85301

2018 -180.15856 -276.50579 -305.57523 -272.85301

> decompElec$random
                                                                                                                              323.13310
323.13310
323.13310
                                                                                                          44.48032 323.13310
                                                                                                                                                        503.32755
                                                                                                                                                                               284.49421 216.77199 -107.75579 -131.24190
                                                    Feb

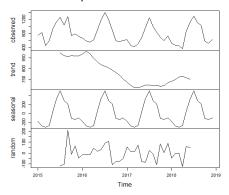
        May
        Jun
        Jul
        Aug
        Sep
        Oct

        16.269676
        30.950231
        90.005787
        107.797454
        -107.563657
        -70.77546

        -78.605324
        -85.591435
        25.005787
        -9.577546
        -107.730324
        84.297454

                           Jan
                                                                              Mar
                                                                                                       Apr
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           66.200231
-73.299769
45.019676
73.894676
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               3.325231
                                                                                                                    58.561343
                                                                                                                                             50.866898
Dec
2015 -44.924769
2016 -50.799769
2017 91.950231
```

Decomposition of additive time series



Regression and plot of the trend data for electricity

```
> elecmodel <- lm(decompElec$trend~times); summary(elecmodel)
call:
lm(formula = decompElec$trend ~ times)
                                                                                820
Residuals:
   Min
            10 Median
                                                                           decompElec$trend
-60.63 -22.27
                1.60 20.02 55.24
                                                                                800
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 897.4979 14.1449 63.450 < 2e-16 ***
times
               -4.7048
                            0.5315 -8.851 2.41e-10 ***
                                                                                220
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1
Residual standard error: 33.13 on 34 degrees of freedom
(12 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.6974, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6885
                                                                                                 10
                                                                                                             20
                                                                                                                                     40
                                                                                                                 times
F-statistic: 78.35 on 1 and 34 DF, p-value: 2.409e-10
```

We see here that the slope is -4.7048 so that means that there is a significant linear decrease in the electrical uses. The R^2 is about 0.7 which tells us that it is a pretty good model of the electric trend.

For prediction of next 3 electricity bills (49,50,51)

```
> eletpredict <- lm(dset$Elec~times+month); summary(elecpredict)</pre>
call:
lm(formula = dset$Elec ~ times + month)
Residuals:
       Min
                              Median
                                            3Q Max
61.656 199.838
-156.613 -69.181
                              -0.975
Coefficients:
                  Fishimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
712.894 51.604 13.815 9.79e-16 ***
-3.981 1.028 -3.874 0.000449 ***
-48.769 67.560 -0.722 0.475178
(Intercept)
                                      1.028
67.560
67.584
67.623
times
month2
month3
                  -160.787
-101.556
                                                  -2.379 0.022941
-1.502 0.142116
month4
                    221.425
478.906
                                      67.677
67.748
                                                    3.272 0.002407 **
7.069 3.11e-08 ***
month5
month6
                    687.638
475.869
                                      67.833
67.934
                                                 10.137 5.93e-12 ***
7.005 3.77e-08 ***
month7
month8
                                                   5.968 8.52e-07 ***
0.760 0.452237
0.297 0.768016
1.096 0.280710
                    406.100
51.831
month9
                                      68.051
month10
                                      68.183
                     20.313
75.044
                                      68.330
68.492
month11
month12
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1
Residual standard error: 95.53 on 35 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.9123, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8823
F-statistic: 30.35 on 12 and 35 DF, p-value: 6.108e-15
```

The model has an R^2 value of 0.9 which means that is a very good predictor of our electricity bill.

For January (electric):

- = 712.894 -3.981*49-(0) [uses dummy variable so for first month everything else is 0]
- = 517.85

For February (electric):

- = 712.894 -3.981*50 48.769*1-0-0......
- = 465.075

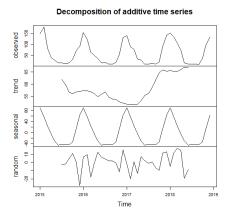
For March (electric):

- = 712.894 3.981*51 160.787*1-0-0...
- = 349.076

Hence the prediction for the next 3 electric bills are \$517.85, \$465.075, \$349.076

For gas

Below is the decomposition and plot for gas time series.



Regression and plot of the trend data for gas

```
> gasmodel <- lm(decompGas$tr@nd~times); summary(gasmodel)
call:
lm(formula = decompGas$trend ~ times)
                                                                                               99
Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-7.355 -3.715 1.261 3.737 8.274
                                                                                           decompGas$trend
                                                                                               9
Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 51.87695
times 0.25814
                                                        <2e-16 **
                                1.86630
                                            27.797
                                0.07013
                                             3.681
                                                         8e-04 ***
                                                                                               22
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 4.371 on 34 degrees of freedom
(12 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.2849, Adjusted R-squared: 0
F-statistic: 13.55 on 1 and 34 DF, p-value: 0.0007999
                                                                                                             10
                                                                                                                      20
                                                                                                                                30
                                                                                                                                         40
                                                                                                                         times
```

We see here that the slope is 0.25814 so that means that there is a significant linear increase in the gas uses. However, the R^2 is only about 0.3 which tells us that it is not a good model of the gas trend.

For prediction of next 3 electricity bills (49,50,51)

```
> gaspredict <- lm(dset$Gas~times+month); summary(gaspredict)</pre>
lm(formula = dset$Gas ~ times + month)
Residuals:
               1Q Median
                                  3Q
-43.142 -6.075 0.592 6.267 49.425
Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) 146.4681 8.7597 16.721 < 2e-16 ***
              146.4681
(Intercept)
                              0.1745
                                        0.613
                 0.1069
month2
               -17.1069
                             11.4682
                                        -1.492
                                                  0.1447
               -65.4639
                             11.4721
                                       -5.706 1.88e-06
month3
month4
               -98.0708
                             11.4788
                                       -8.544 4.40e-10 ***
month5
              -121.1778
                             11.4881 -10.548 2.06e-12 ***
                             11.5000 -11.764 1.03e-13 ***
11.5145 -11.693 1.22e-13 ***
month6
              -135.2847
              -134.6417
month7
month8
              -136.4986
                             11.5317 -11.837 8.62e-14 ***
                             11.5515 -11.869 7.98e-14 ***
month9
              -137.1056
                             11.5738 -10.603 1.79e-12
month10
              -122.7125
                             11.5988 -6.106 5.60e-07 ***
11.6263 -2.208 0.0339 *
               -70.8194
month11
month12
               -25.6764
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1
Residual standard error: 16.22 on 35 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.9263, Adjusted R-squared: 0.
F-statistic: 36.64 on 12 and 35 DF, p-value: 3.17e-16
```

The model has an R² value of 0.9 which means that is a very good predictor of our gas bill. For January (gas):

= 146.4681-0.1069*49-(0) [uses dummy variable so for first month everything else is 0]

= 146.3612

For February (gas):

= 146.4681-0.1069*50-17.1069-0-0.....

= 124.0162

For March (gas):

= 146.4681-0.1069*51-65.4639-0-0.....

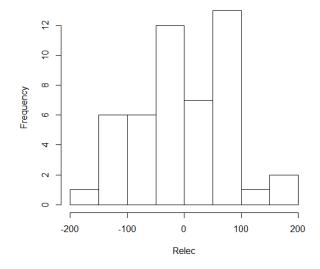
= 75.5523

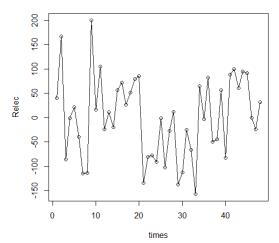
Hence the prediction for the next 3 electric bills are \$146.3612, \$124.0162, \$75.5523

4. Lastly, look at the random components of each series. Do they appear to be stationary, and have mean 0? For each, form a series of the first 47 observations and the last 47 (i.e. the original series and the lagged series) and check for statistically significant correlation between Xt and Xt+1 to see whether the random component is just white noise.

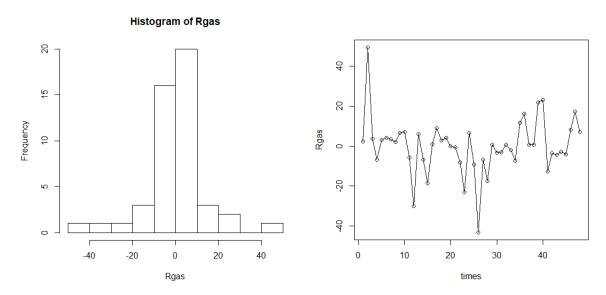
For electricity

Histogram of Relec





For gas

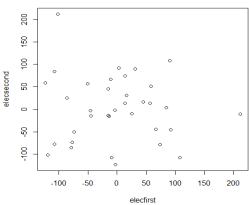


The residuals for both electricity and gas appear to be normally distributed with mean of 0 and constant variance. The time plot does not show any patters either.

Random Noise test

For electricity

```
lm(formula = elecfirst ~ elecsecond)
                                                                      200
                                                                      150
Residuals:
     Min
                10
                     Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
                                                                      100
                     -3.769
-123.310 -59.253
                               54.352
                                       213.352
                                                                   elecsecond
                                                                      20
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. \frac{1}{2}Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                                                      0
                                    -0.20
(Intercept) -2.60070
                        12.98760
                                              0.843
elecsecond -0.06986
                         0.17898
                                    -0.39
                                              0.699
                                                                      န
                                                                      100
Residual standard error: 76.8 on 33 degrees of freedom
  (12 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.004595, Adjusted R-squared: -0.02557
                                                                            -100
F-statistic: 0.1523 on 1 and 33 DF, p-value: 0.6988
```



For Gas

For both electricity and gas, when we form a series of the first 47 observations and the last 47 (i.e. the original series and the lagged series) and check for statistically significant correlation between Xt and Xt+1 we do not see any statistically significant correlation as the R^2 values are only slightly greater than 0. Electricity: 0.0045 and Gas: 0.00033. We can conclude that the random component is just white noise.

Appendix:

Graph file attached with assignment.

Part 3 Creating Time Serries

```
# For electricity
electimeseries <- ts(dset$Elec, frequency = 12, start=c(2015,1))
plot.ts(electimeseries)
decompElec <- decompose(electimeseries)</pre>
decompElec$trend
decompElec$seasonal
decompElec$random
plot(decompElec)
#For Gas
gastimeseries <- ts(dset$Gas, frequency = 12, start=c(2015,1))
plot.ts(gastimeseries)
decompGas <- decompose(gastimeseries)</pre>
decompGas$trend
decompGas$seasonal
decompGas$random
plot(decompGas)
# Linear Regression
month<- factor(rep(c(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12),4))
times <- c(1:48)
# For electricity
elecmodel <- Im(decompElec$trend~times); summary(elecmodel)
plot(times, decompElec$trend)
```

```
gasmodel <- Im(decompGas$trend~times); summary(gasmodel)</pre>
plot(times, decompGas$trend)
# For prediction
elecpredict <- lm(dset$Elec~times+month); summary(elecpredict)
gaspredict <- Im(dset$Gas~times+month); summary(gaspredict)</pre>
# Part 4 Random components
Relec <- elecpredict$residuals
hist(Relec)
plot(times,Relec,type = 'n')
lines(times,Relec,type='o')
Rgas <- gaspredict$residuals
hist(Rgas)
plot(times, Rgas, type = 'n')
lines(times,Rgas,type='o')
# White Noise Test
elecresu <- decompElec$random[1:48]
elecfirst<- elecresu[1:47]
elecsecond<- elecresu[2:48]
elecresidsmodel<-lm(elecfirst~elecsecond);summary(elecresidsmodel)
plot(elecfirst, elecsecond)
```