



Predicting Carbon Emissions from Electricity Generation

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Introduction

Climate Change

Increased CO₂ concentrations by 47%

Increased by 90% since 1970

Fossil Fuels and Industrial Process = 78% of CO₂ emission

Using Time Series to Predict CO₂ emission



Motivation

Apple Commits to be 100 percent carbon neutral by 2030

Samsung to Offset Lifetime Carbon Footprint of All Washing Machines

Reduce Carbon Emission

What type of Carbon Emission is the top contributor

Stop Global Warming



Research Question

Will Carbon Emission
increase in the next 4
years?





Other Questions

- Is There Any Correlation Between Type of Carbon Emission Source and Carbon Emission Value?
- What is the main source of Carbon Emission?
- What is the trend?



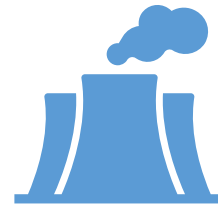
Data



U.S Energy Information
Administration (EIA)



Monthly Records



Carbon Emission from
1973-2016



5094 x 6 Variables



Variables



MSN: Municipal Solid Waste – non-biomass component



Description: Type



Unit: Million Metric Tons of CO2



YYYYMM: Date



Column_Order: Column number based on type

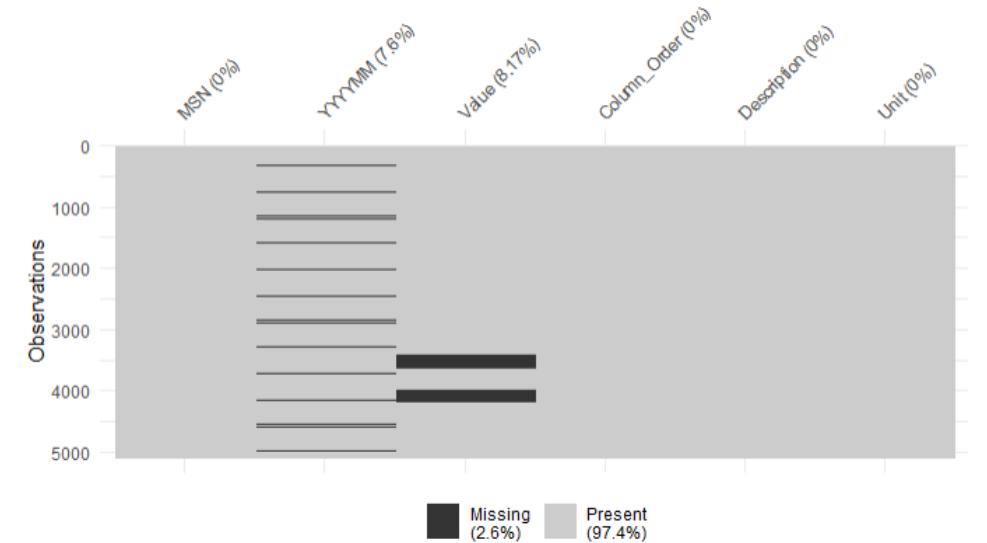
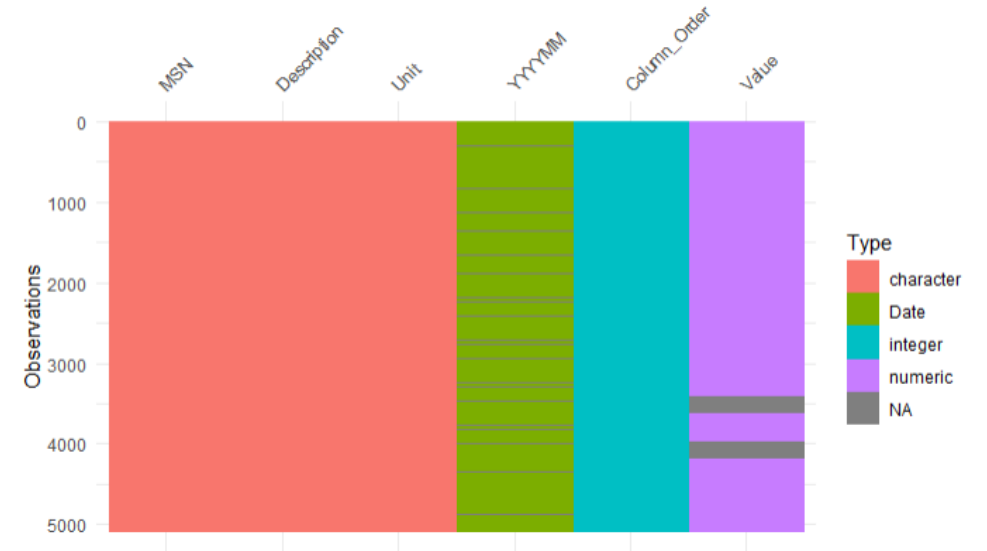


Value: Carbon Emission Value



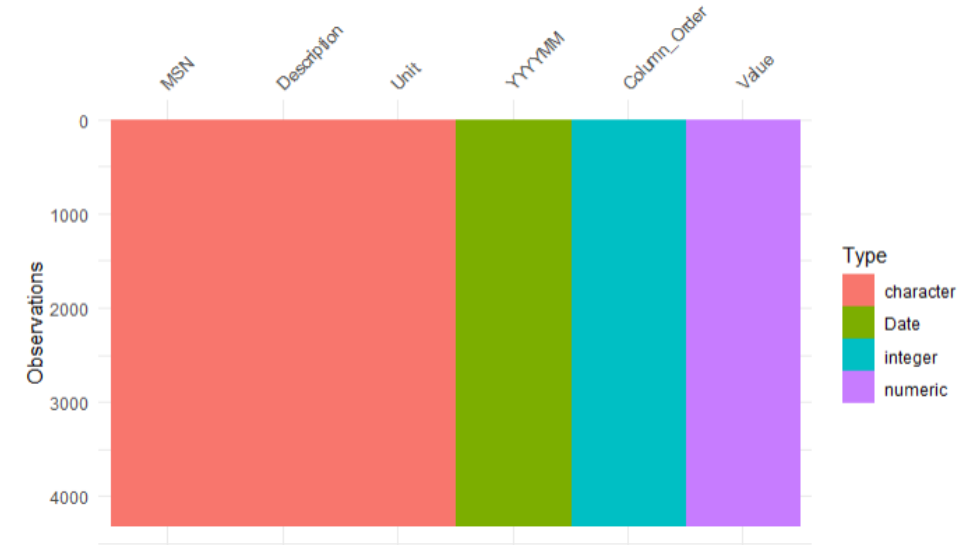
Raw Data

- 387 missing values(NA) for YYYYMM
- 416 missing values(NA) for Value
- Total 2.6% Missing Data



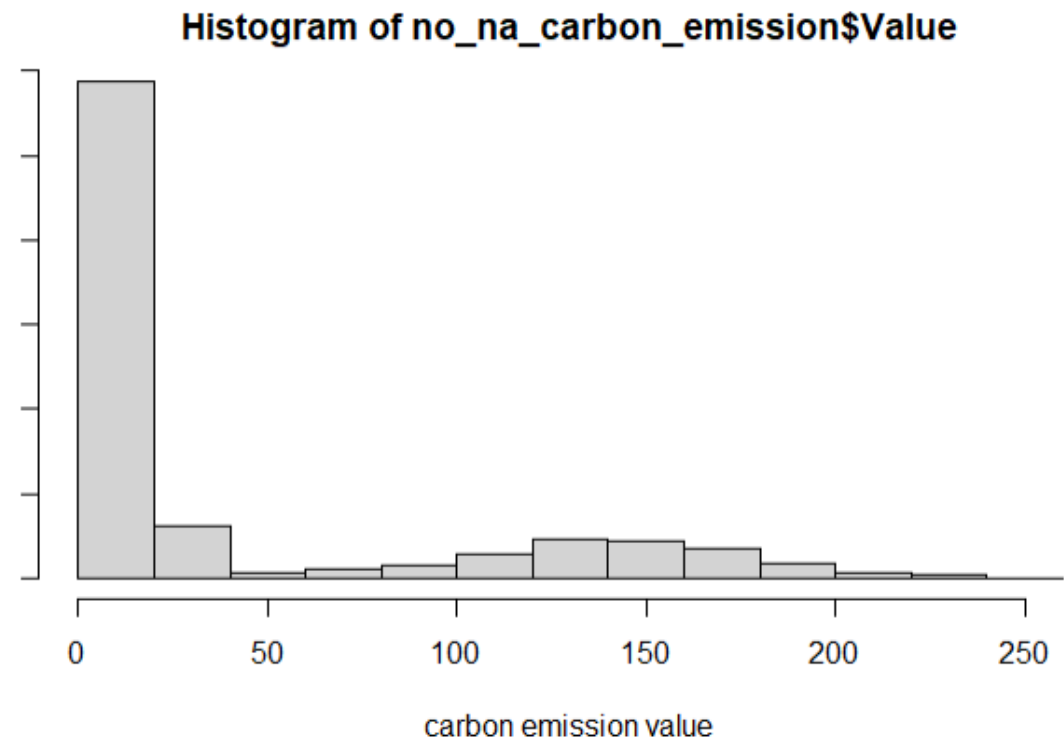
Pre-Processing

- Used mice function to remove NA
- New Data frame : no_na_carbon_emission
- 0 Missing Values



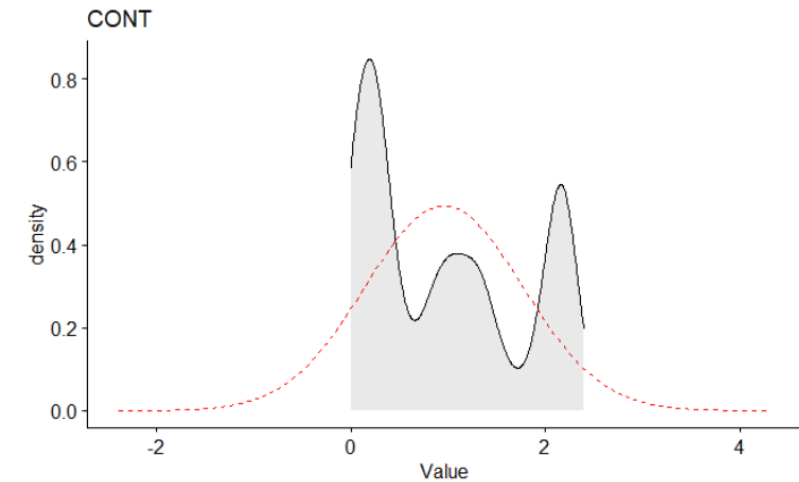
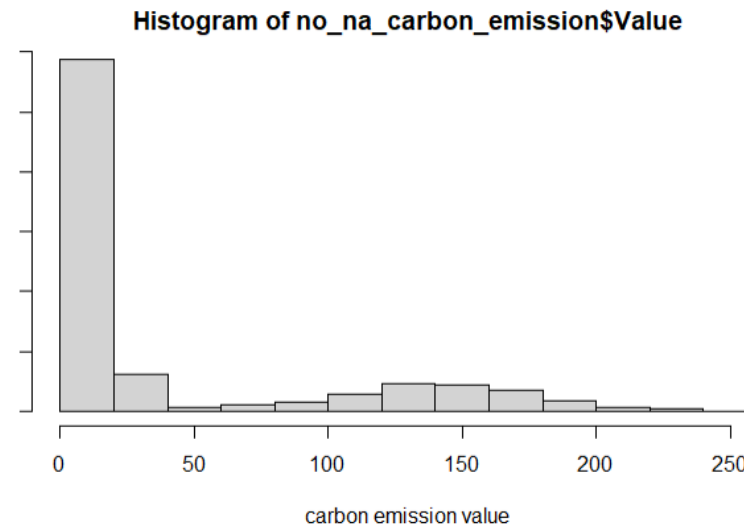
Normalization (Before)

- Skewness= 1.43
- Kurtosis= 3.55
- W=0.67



Normalization (After)

- Skewness= 0.41
- Kurtosis= 1.69
- W=0.88



Exploratory Analysis

Box Plot

Histogram

Correlation

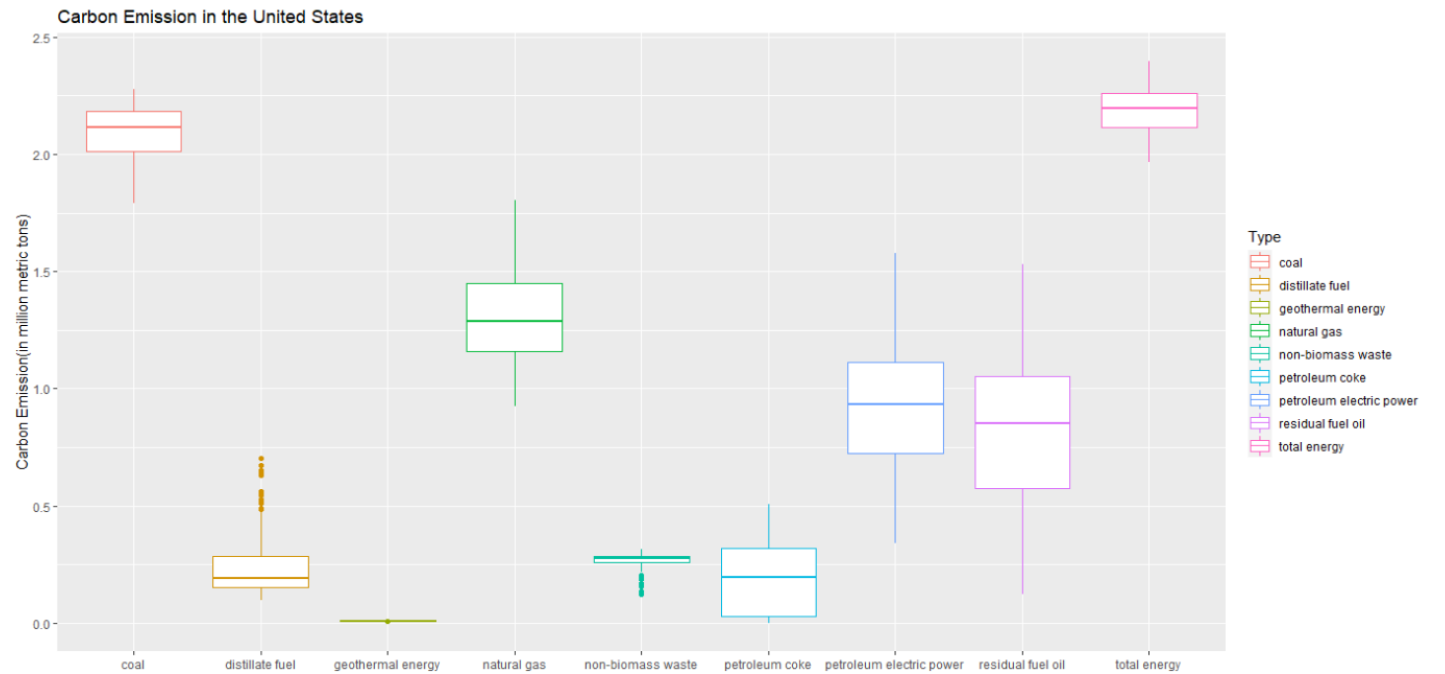
Bar Chart

Line Chart

Scatter Plot

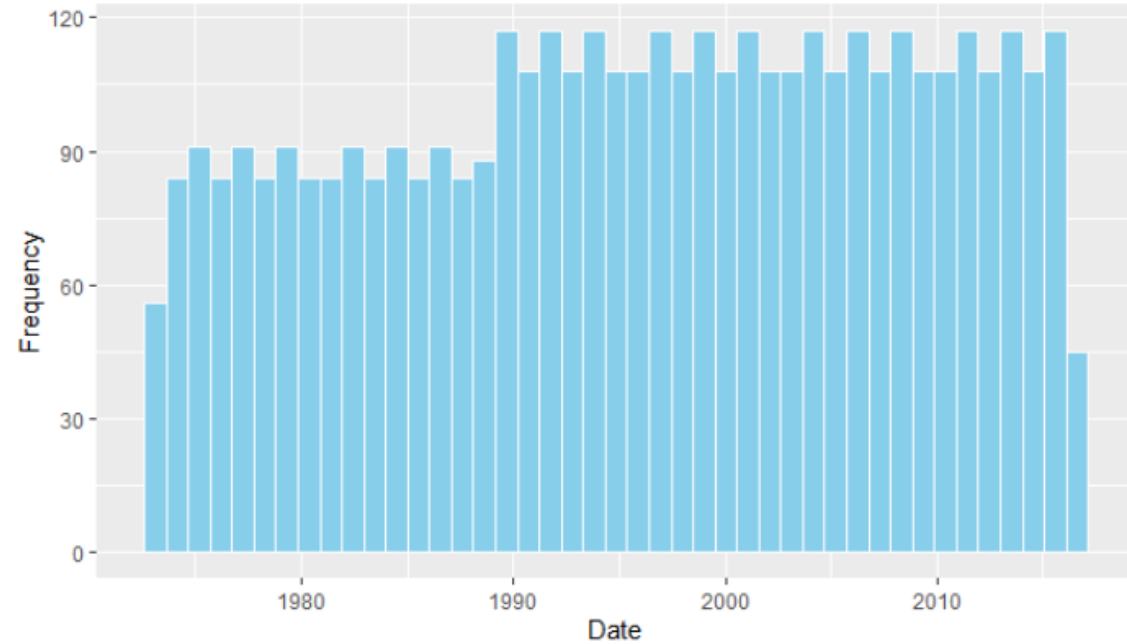


Boxplot

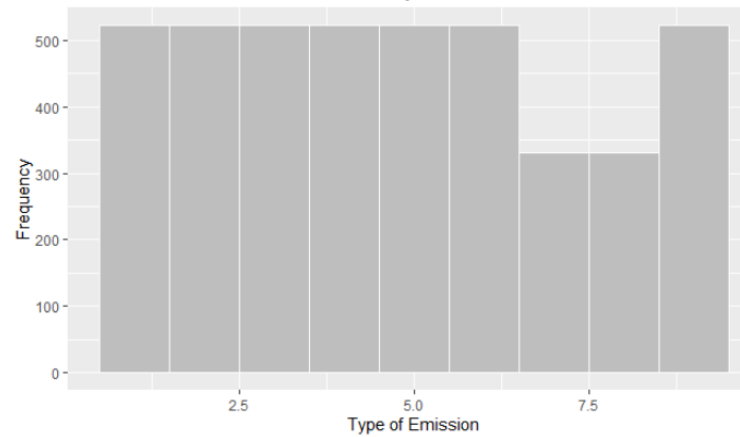


Histogram

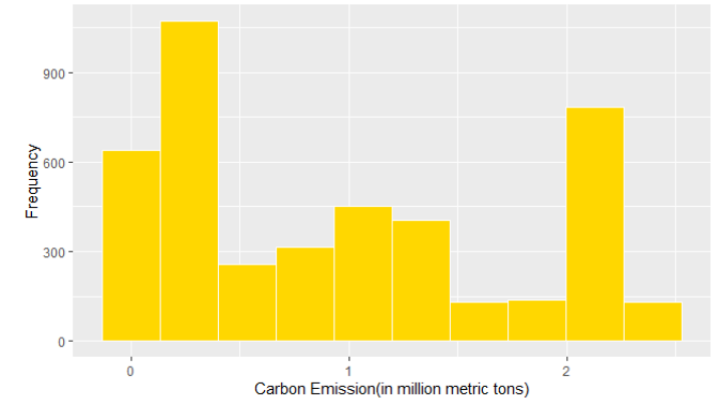
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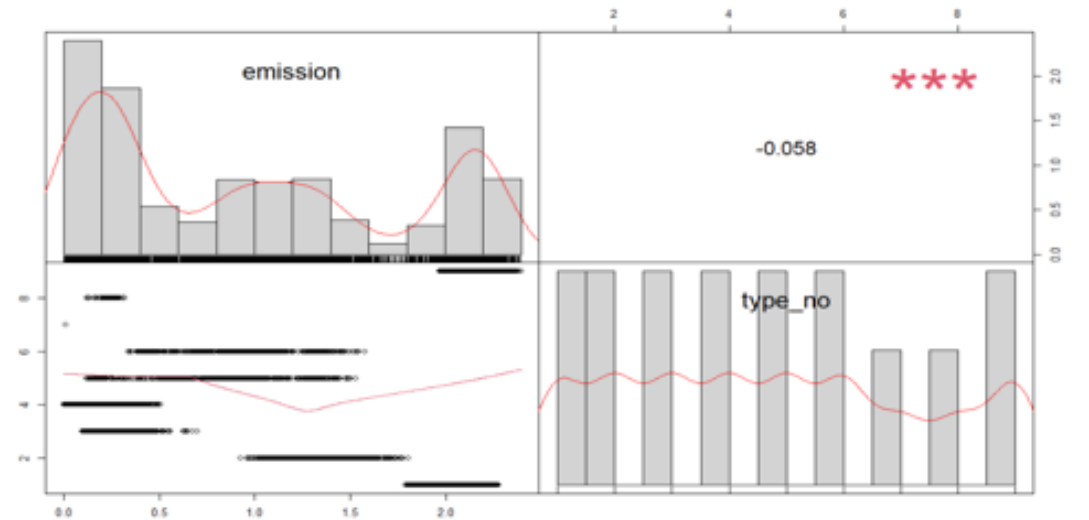
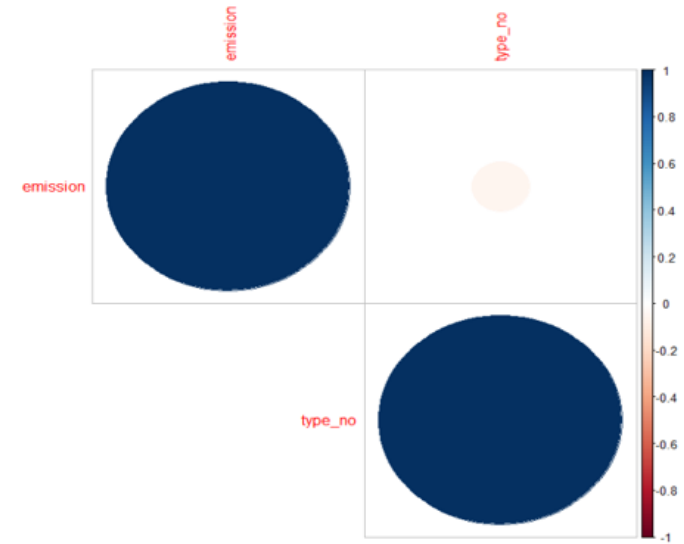
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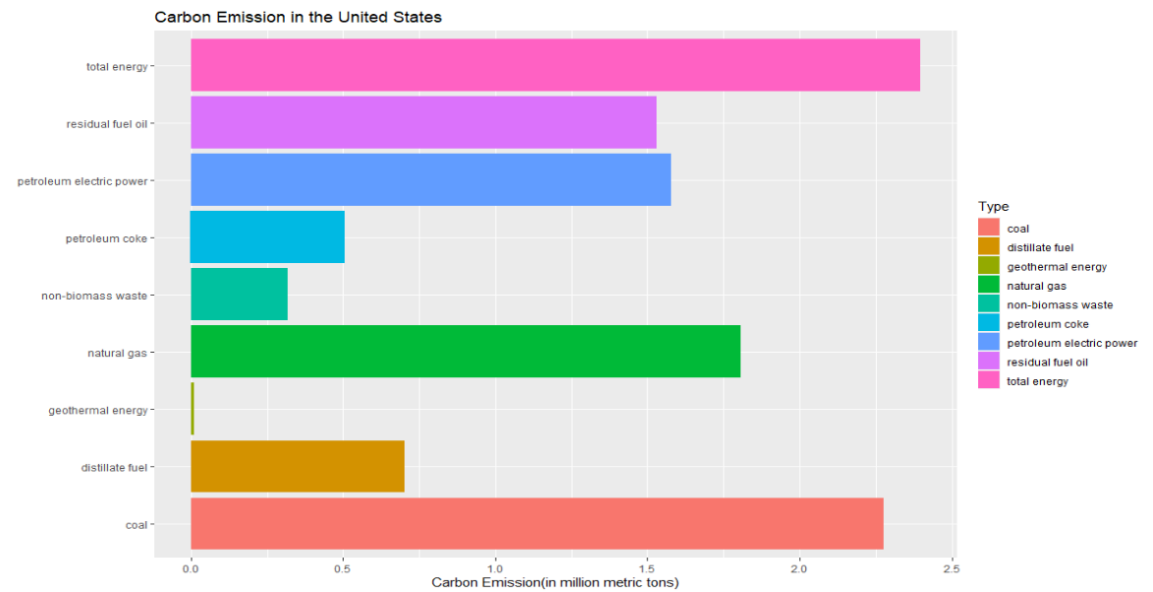
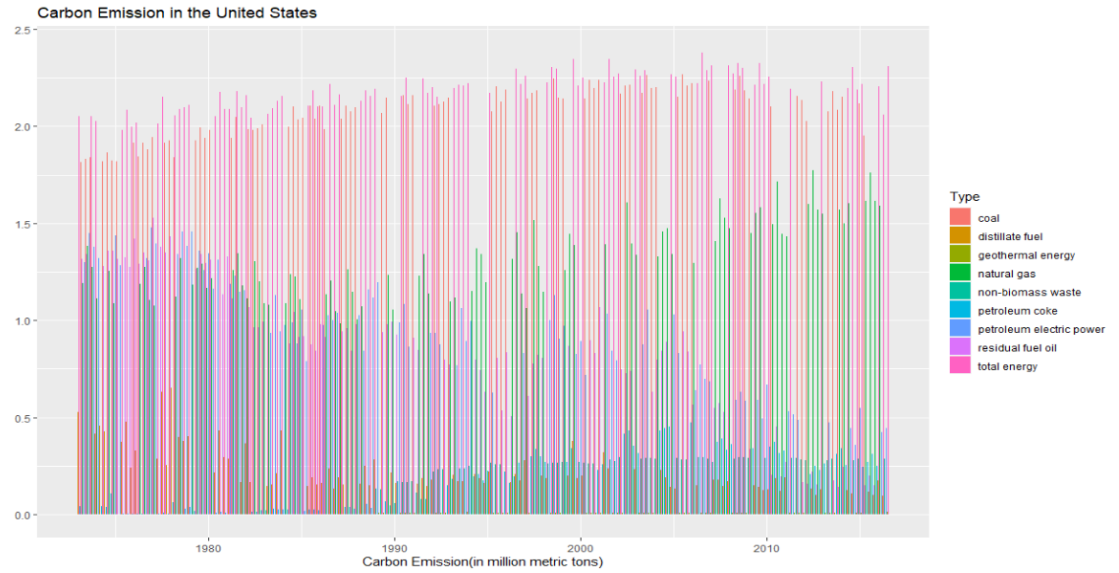
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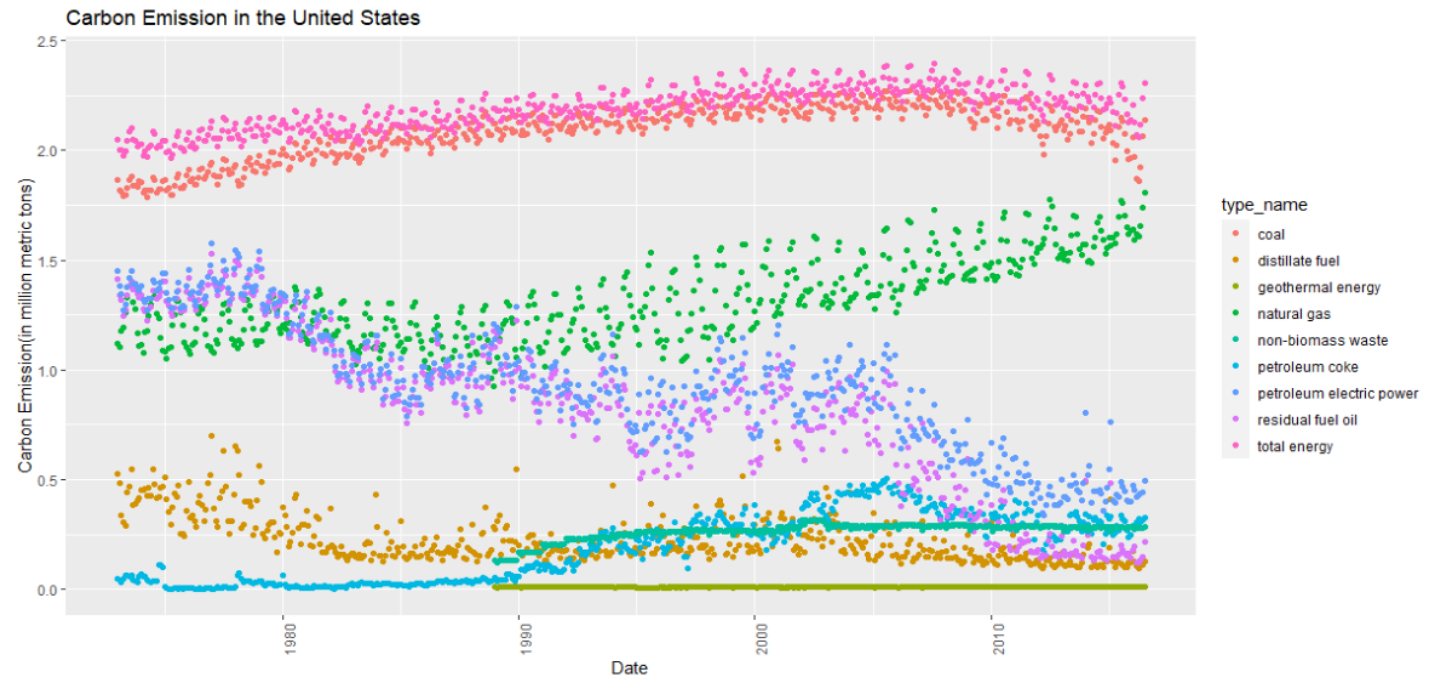
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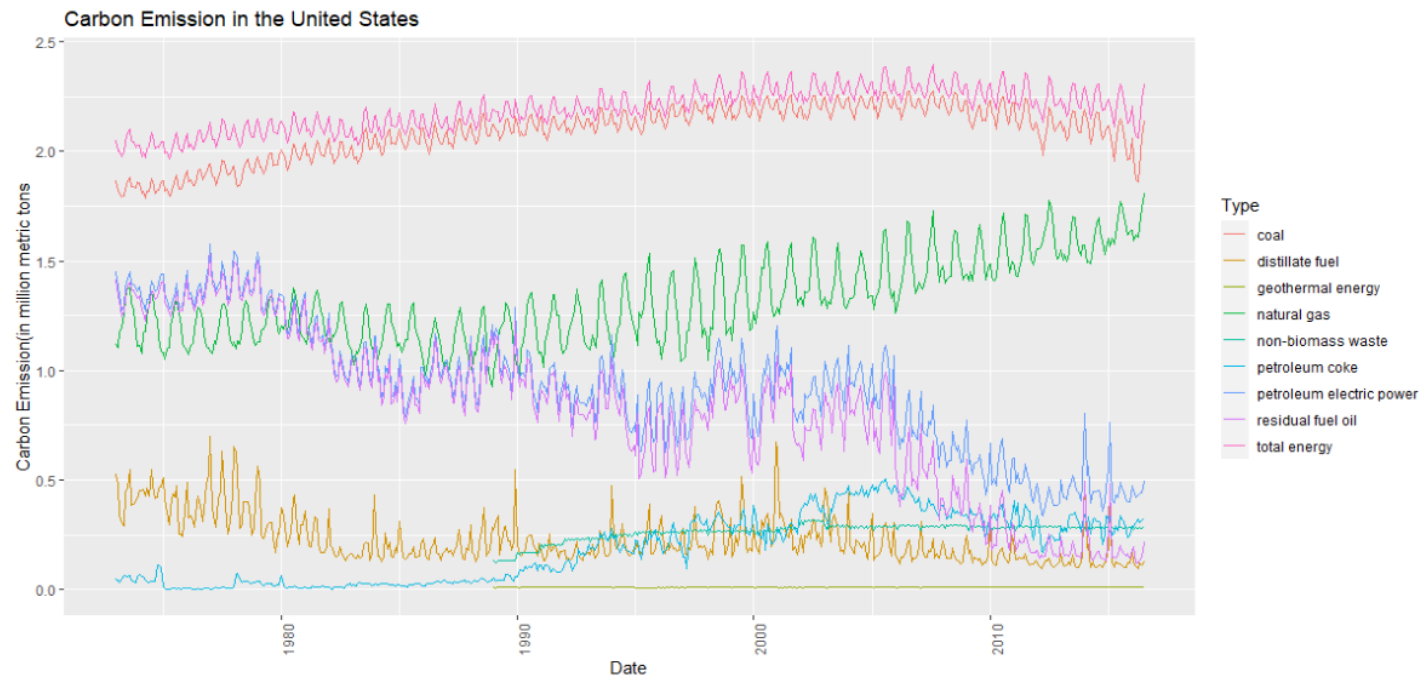
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Scatter Plot



Line Chart

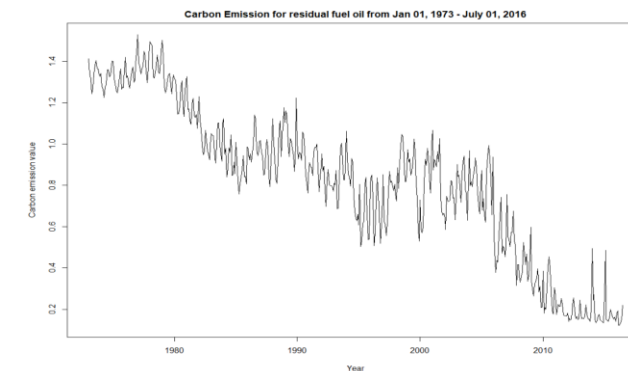
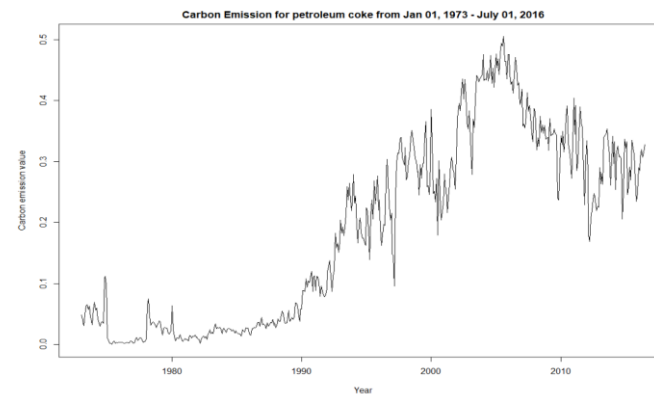
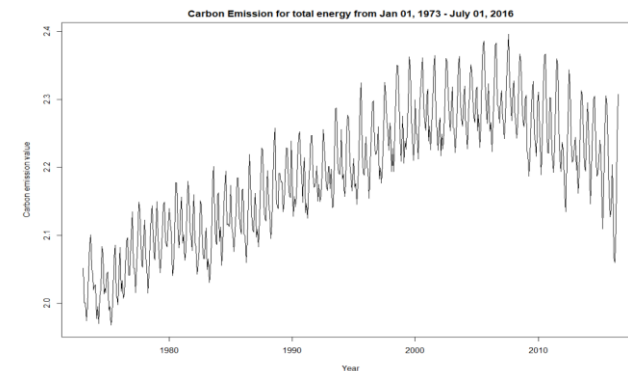
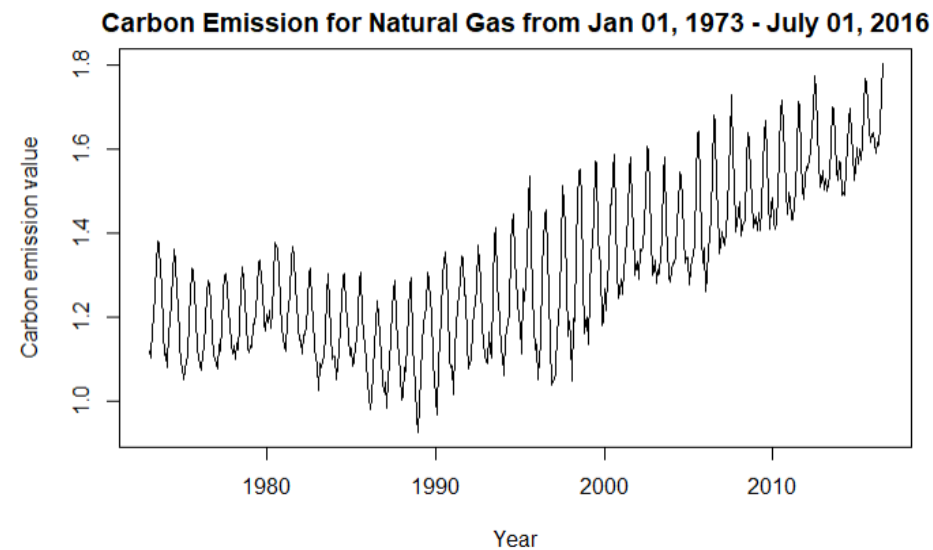
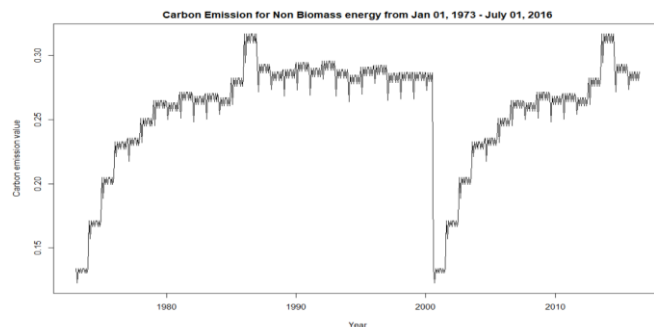
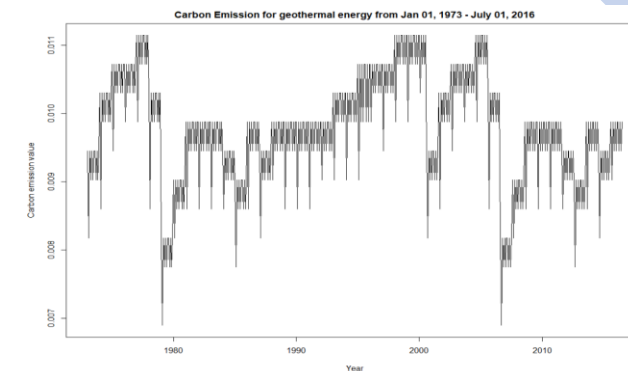
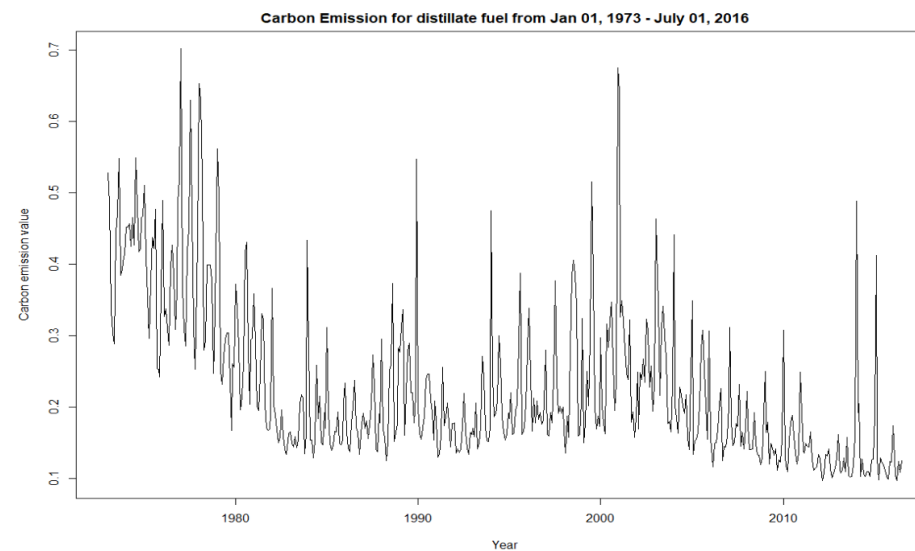
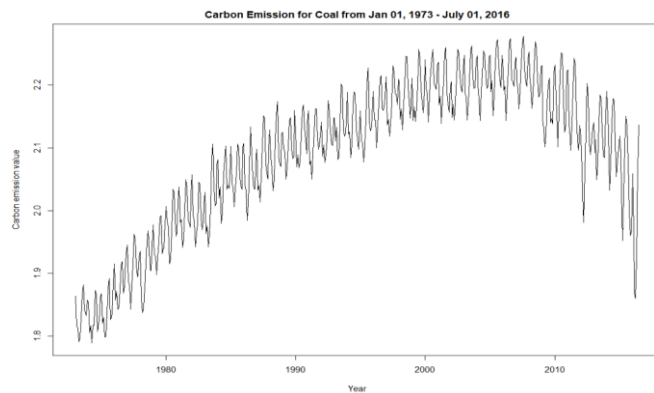


Methods

- Time Series
 - Cleaning Data
 - Understanding Data
 - Forecasting Data



Visualization of Time Series Plots of Each Carbon Emission Over Time



Augmented Dickey- Fuller Test

Data: ts_allEmission

-0.47868

Lag Order = 8

P-Value= 0.9828

Stationary



Detrending

✓ Remove trend component

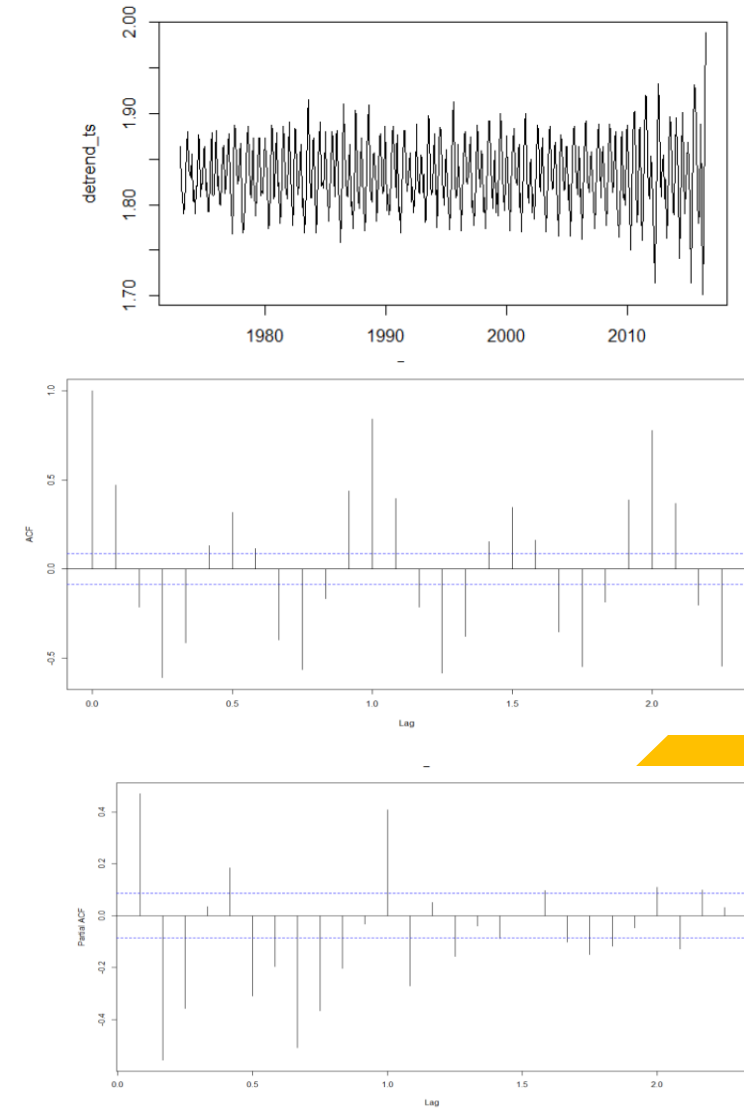
✎ Make it Stationary

👤 Dickey-Fuller- -25.335

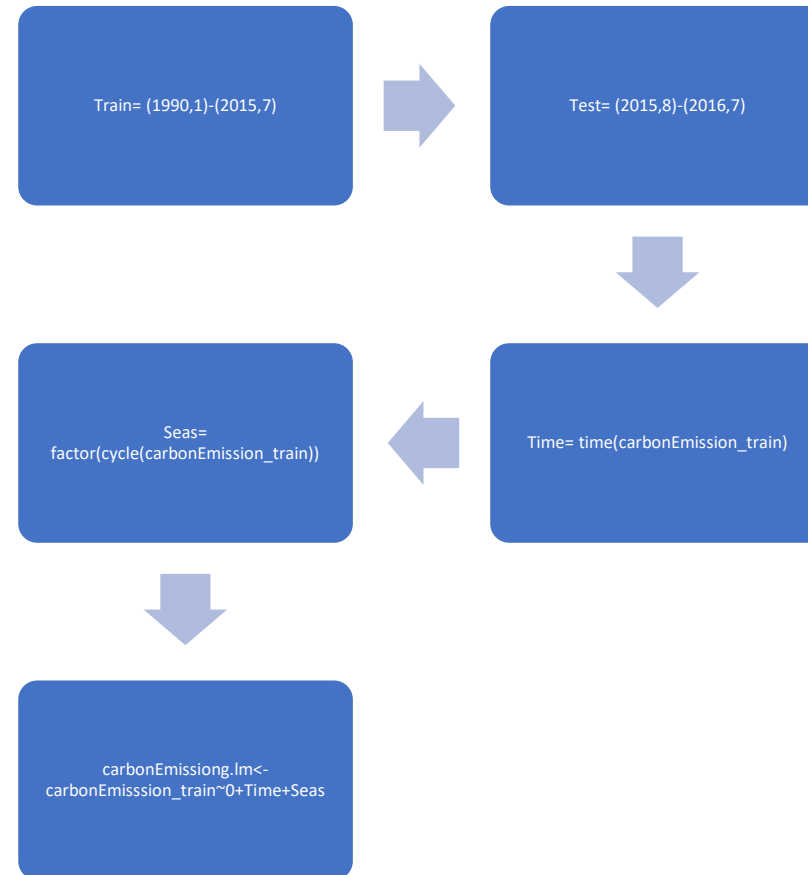
✗ Lag order= 8

📊 P-value= 0.01

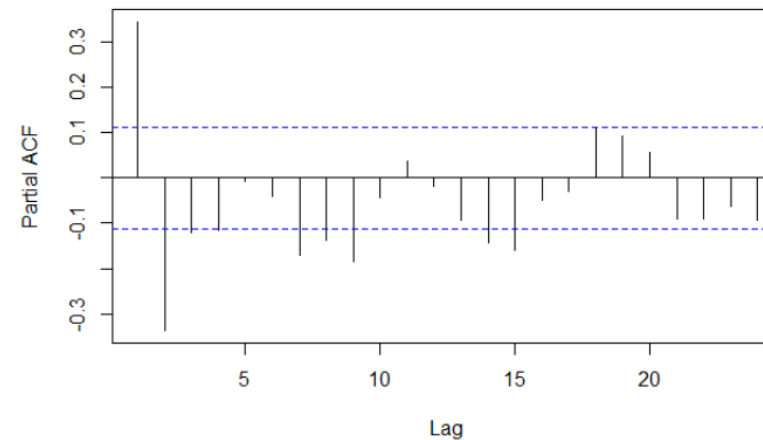
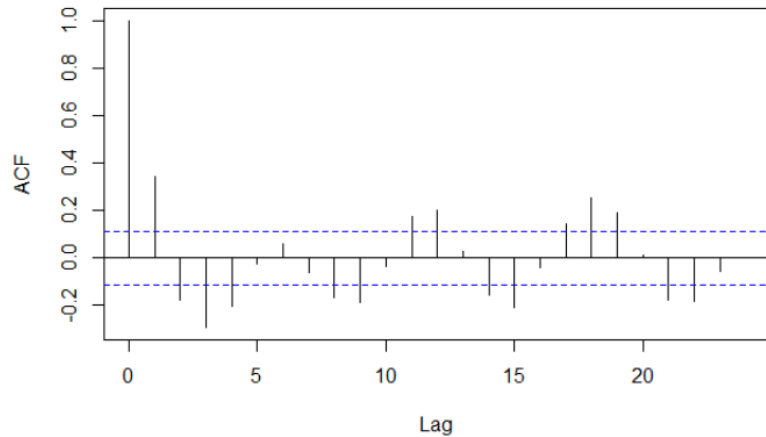
🛏 Stationary



Train/Test



Prediction Using Linear Regression Model



```
##      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8
## 1.891336 1.889355 1.834269 1.814647 1.811901 1.855129 1.865905 1.810784
##      9     10     11     12
## 1.809450 1.767552 1.801533 1.847200
```

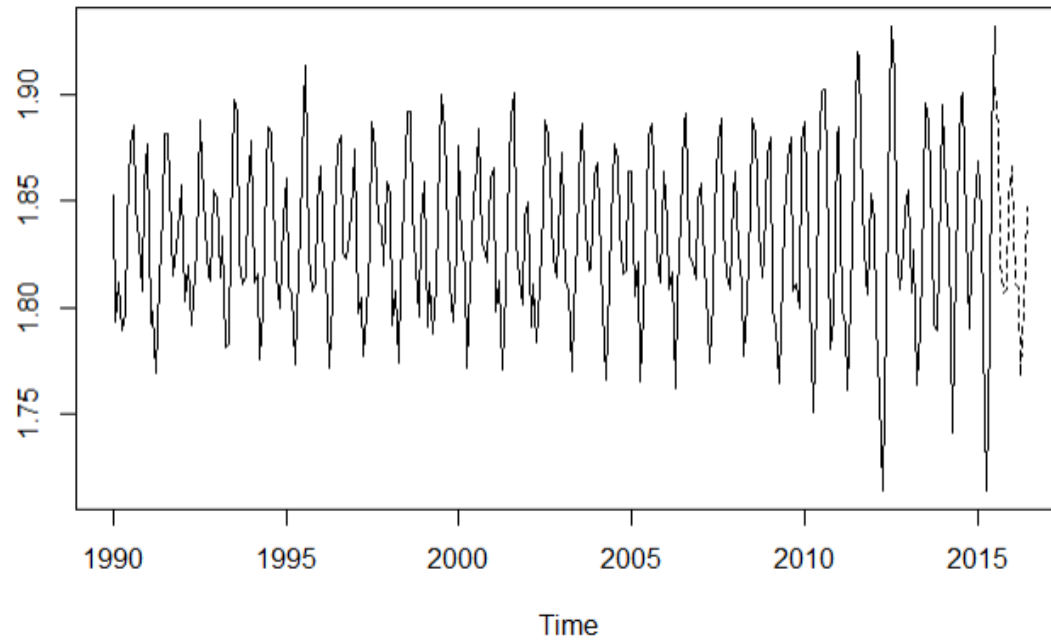
Mean absolute error: 2.4856 percent



Analysis

- Predicting The Next 12 Months
- Naive Forecasting
- Simple Exponential Smoothing
- Holt's Trend
- ARIMA
- TBATS



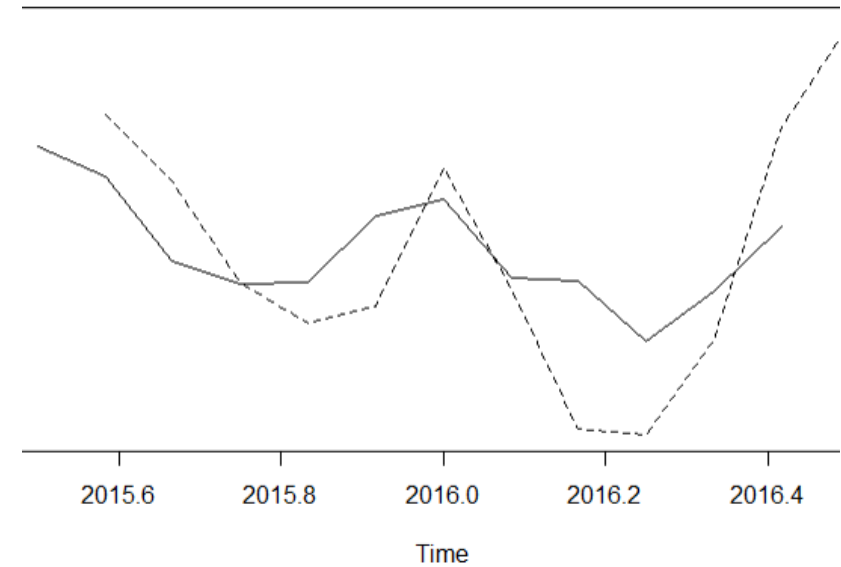


Predicting The Next Twelve Months



Prediction vs Test

- Means Absolute Error= 2.485639%



Naive Forecasting

- MAPE= 6.28

Forecast method: Naive method

Model Information:

Call: naive(y = carbonEmission_train, h = 12)

Residual sd: 0.039

Error measures:

	ME	RMSE	MAE	MPE	MA
Training set	0.0002587966	0.03901394	0.03258609	-0.009051039	1.7816
	ACF1				
Training set	0.1594616				

Forecasts:

	Point Forecast	Lo 80	Hi 80	Lo 95	Hi 95
Aug 2015	1.931701	1.881703	1.981700	1.855235	2.008167
Sep 2015	1.931701	1.860993	2.002410	1.823562	2.039841
Oct 2015	1.931701	1.845102	2.018301	1.799259	2.064144
Nov 2015	1.931701	1.831705	2.031698	1.778770	2.084633
Dec 2015	1.931701	1.819902	2.043501	1.760718	2.102684
Jan 2016	1.931701	1.809231	2.054172	1.744399	2.119004
Feb 2016	1.931701	1.799418	2.063985	1.729392	2.134011
Mar 2016	1.931701	1.790285	2.073118	1.715423	2.147980
Apr 2016	1.931701	1.781706	2.081697	1.702304	2.161099
May 2016	1.931701	1.773593	2.089810	1.689895	2.173508
Jun 2016	1.931701	1.765876	2.097527	1.678093	2.185310
Jul 2016	1.931701	1.758502	2.104901	1.666816	2.196587



Simple Exponential Smoothing

- MAPE= 4.12

```
## Simple exponential smoothing
##
## Call:
## ses(y = carbonEmission_train, h = 12)
##
## Smoothing parameters:
##   alpha = 1e-04
##
## Initial states:
##   l = 1.8325
##
## sigma: 0.0385
##
##      AIC      AICc      BIC
## -237.1452 -237.0660 -225.9647
##
## Error measures:
##                                     ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE
## Training set 2.783062e-06 0.03841044 0.03155226 -0.04378553 1.721291 2.522318
##
##      ACF1
## Training set 0.474498
##
## Forecasts:
##      Point Forecast      Lo 80      Hi 80      Lo 95      Hi 95
## Aug 2015      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
## Sep 2015      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
## Oct 2015      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
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## May 2016      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
## Jun 2016      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
## Jul 2016      1.832539 1.783153 1.881925 1.757009 1.908068
```



Holt's Trend Method

- MAPE= 4.16

```
##
## Model Information:
## Holt's method
##
## Call:
## holt(y = carbonEmission_train, h = 12)
##
## Smoothing parameters:
##   alpha = 0.0115
##   beta  = 0.0115
##
## Initial states:
##   l = 1.83
##   b = 3e-04
##
## sigma: 0.0397
##
##      AIC      AICc      BIC
## -216.5203 -216.3210 -197.8861
##
## Error measures:
##                                     ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE      MASE
## Training set -1.184666e-05 0.03946467 0.03234292 -0.04574211 1.764425 2.585525
##
##      ACF1
## Training set 0.4854102
##
## Forecasts:
##      Point Forecast      Lo 80      Hi 80      Lo 95      Hi 95
## Aug 2015      1.834710 1.783801 1.885618 1.756851 1.912568
## Sep 2015      1.835003 1.784081 1.885926 1.757125 1.912882
## Oct 2015      1.835297 1.784345 1.886250 1.757372 1.913222
## Nov 2015      1.835591 1.784585 1.886598 1.757584 1.913599
## Dec 2015      1.835885 1.784795 1.886975 1.757749 1.914021
## Jan 2016      1.836179 1.784968 1.887390 1.757858 1.914500
## Feb 2016      1.836473 1.785098 1.887848 1.757901 1.915044
## Mar 2016      1.836767 1.785178 1.888355 1.757869 1.915664
## Apr 2016      1.837060 1.785203 1.888918 1.757752 1.916369
## May 2016      1.837354 1.785167 1.889541 1.757541 1.917167
```



ARIMA

- MAPE= 2.31

```
## Series: carbonEmission_train
## ARIMA(0,0,1) (1,1,2) [12]
##
## Coefficients:
##          ma1      sar1      sma1      sma2
##          0.4248 -0.3761 -0.3518 -0.3371
## s.e.    0.0523  0.4080  0.3995  0.3026
##
## sigma^2 estimated as 0.0001537:  log likelihood=873.29
## AIC=-1736.58  AICc=-1736.37  BIC=-1718.14
##
## Training set error measures:
##              ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE
## Training set 0.0002402486 0.01206913 0.009260892 0.007434987 0.5053679
##              MASE      ACF1
## Training set 0.7403246 -0.000975859
```



TBATS

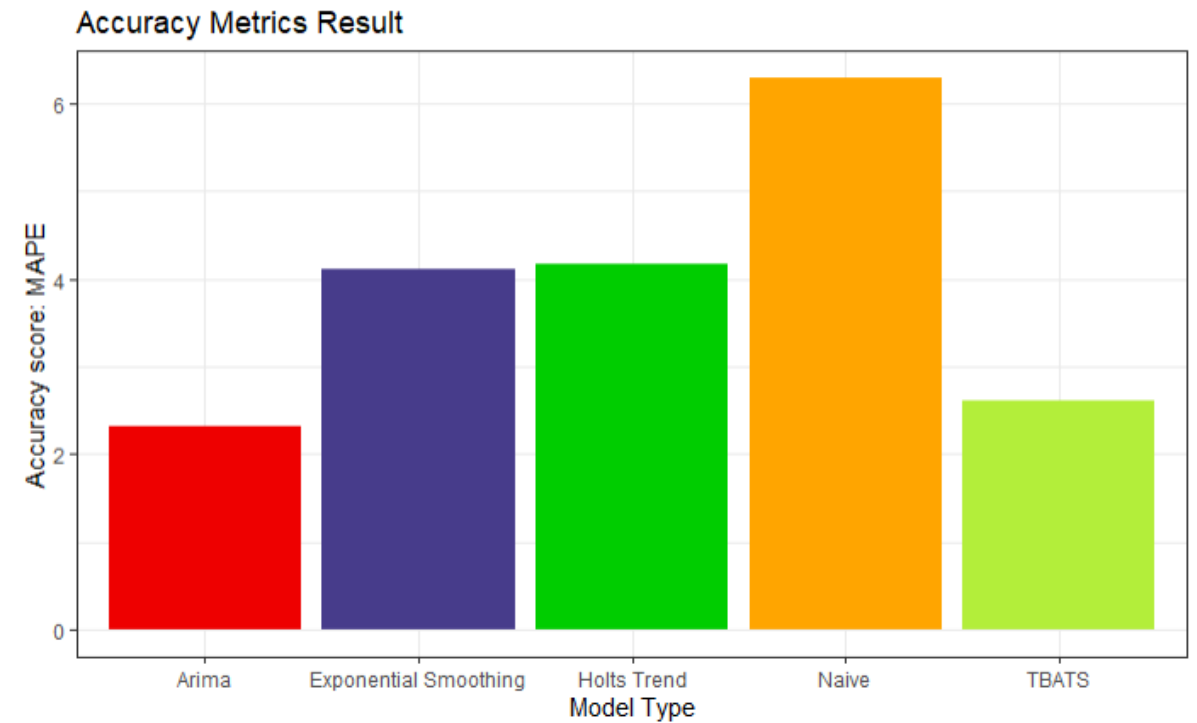
- MAPE=2.61

##	Point Forecast	Lo 80	Hi 80	Lo 95	Hi 95
## Aug 2015	1.898832	1.883603	1.914061	1.875541	1.922123
## Sep 2015	1.822015	1.806299	1.837731	1.797980	1.846050
## Oct 2015	1.805088	1.789073	1.821102	1.780596	1.829579
## Nov 2015	1.802837	1.785853	1.819821	1.776862	1.828812
## Dec 2015	1.854034	1.836801	1.871267	1.827679	1.880389
## Jan 2016	1.861378	1.844080	1.878675	1.834923	1.887832
## Feb 2016	1.811907	1.794593	1.829221	1.785428	1.838386
## Mar 2016	1.806102	1.788785	1.823420	1.779618	1.832587
## Apr 2016	1.769276	1.751958	1.786594	1.742791	1.795762
## May 2016	1.798493	1.781175	1.815811	1.772007	1.824979
## Jun 2016	1.849080	1.831762	1.866398	1.822594	1.875565
## Jul 2016	1.888402	1.871084	1.905721	1.861917	1.914888

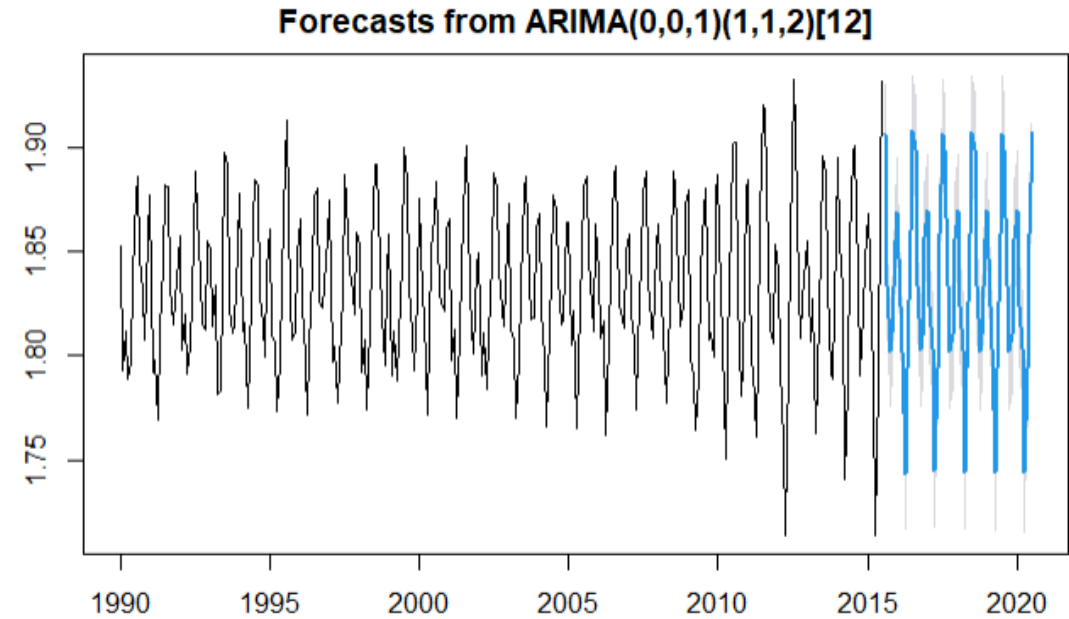


RESULTS

- Naive =6.2849
- Exponential Smoothing =4.1167
- Holts Trend= 4.1617
- Arima = 2.3084 ***
- Tbats = 2.6093



Forecasting Next Four Years



Conclusion



- No Correlation was found between the Source type of Carbon Emission and the Carbon Emission Value
- Coal is the main source of Carbon Emission followed by Natural Gas
- All Source Type except Natural Gas has a downtrend starting 2010
- Overall Emission by Electricity Generation has a downtrend = Lower Carbon Emission
- Linear Regression model had a MAPE = 2.49%
- Best Model to Predict Carbon Emission: ARIMA = 2.31%
- Percent Change in Carbon Emission between 07/2016 to 07/2020 = 5.70%
- After Forecasting, Carbon Emission is predicted to increase in the next five years

