Forecasting S&P BSE SENSEX and S&P-500 Indices Using ARIMA and Prophet

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- There are several studies in the research community which were carried out on the predictions of stock market returns using ARIMA and other powerful models especially for developed markets i.e. USA, European Markets. However very few have focused on emerging/developing and less developed markets.

- This study fills the gap by forecasting S&P BSE SENSEX (Emerging Market Index) and S&P-500 (Developed Market Index) in order to help the investors to make a more informed decision related to their investments regarding both the markets.

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- The Jenkins ARIMA approach is more efficient then other econometric models which are based on regression and exponential smoothing.

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- According to EMH there are 3 types of tests proposed to categorize the markets: 1. Weak Form (Dependent only on historical prices), 2. Semi-Strong (Depends on publicly available information i.e. annoucements of annual earnings, stock splits etc), 3. Strong Form (Depends on private information about the asset i.e. insider trading etc).

Datasets & Methodology

- The datasets are collected using either the library or by Yahoo Finance website.

Sr.No	Dataset Name	Time-Period	Source
1	S&P BSE SENSEX	2000-2020	quandl library
2	India VIX	2008-2020	investpy library
3	S&P-500	2000-2020	Yahoo Finance Website
4	CBOE VIX	1990-2020	investpy library

Table: Source of Datasets.

- India VIX & CBOE VIX Index datasets are used for explaining the market volatility which was high during the year 2007-2008 & same kind of volatility was also observed in the year 2020-2021.

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- This section is divided into two parts:
  - S&P BSE SENSEX Index EDA.
  - S&P-500 Index EDA.

Descriptive Statistics of S&P BSE SENSEX

Sr.No	Stats	Close	%-Change
1	Mean	17930.2	0.0525427
2	Median	17222.6	0.0952336
3	Min	2600.12	-13.1526
4	Max	47751.3	17.3393
5	Std. Dev	11379.9	1.4641
6	Skewness	0.401981	-0.13972
7	Kurtosis	-0.875044	9.65161
8	Jarque Bera Test*	(307.514, 0.0)	(20257.592, 0.0)

Table: Descriptive Statistics of S&P BSE SENSEX Close and &-Change Values.

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S&P BSE SENSEX EDA: Line Plot (2000-2020)

Figure: S&P BSE SENSEX Line Plot.

S&P BSE SENSEX EDA: Simple Moving Average & Yearly Distribution Plot
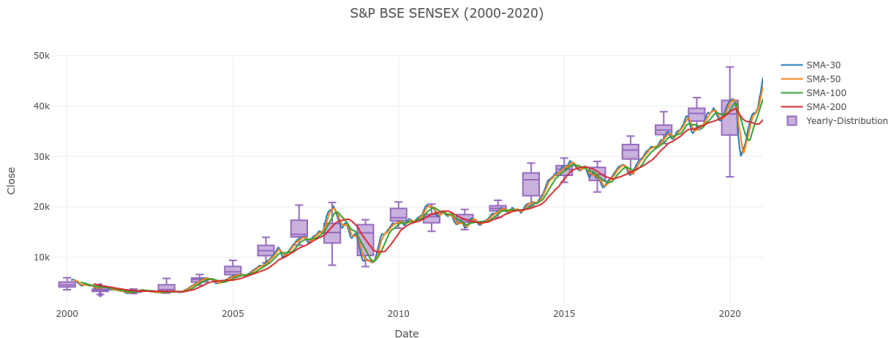
Figure: S&P BSE SENSEX Simple Moving Average (30, 50, 100, 200) and Yearly Distribution
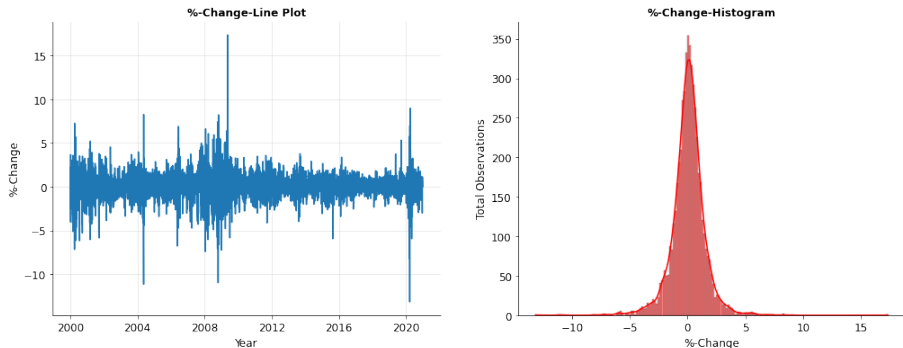
Figure: %-Change Plot in the Value of S&P BSE SENSEX.

Descriptive Statistics of S&P-500 Index

Sr.No	Stats	Close	%-Change
1	Mean	1653.27	0.025695
2	Median	1386.95	0.0593618
3	Min	676.53	-11.9841
4	Max	3735.36	11.58
5	Std. Dev	673.836	1.25313
6	Skewness	1.03217	-0.1538
7	Kurtosis	0.0629593	10.736
8	Jarque Bera Test*	(938.363, 0.0)	(25339.385, 0.0)

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Figure: S&P-500 Line Plot

Figure: S&P-500 SMA (30, 50, 100, 200) and Yearly Distribution.
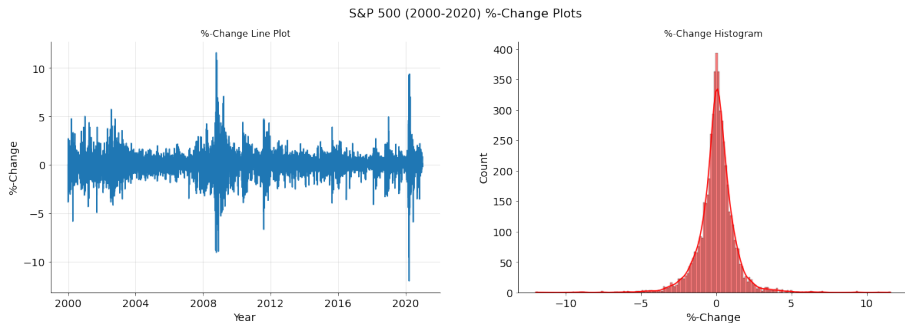
Figure: S&P-500 %-Change Plot.

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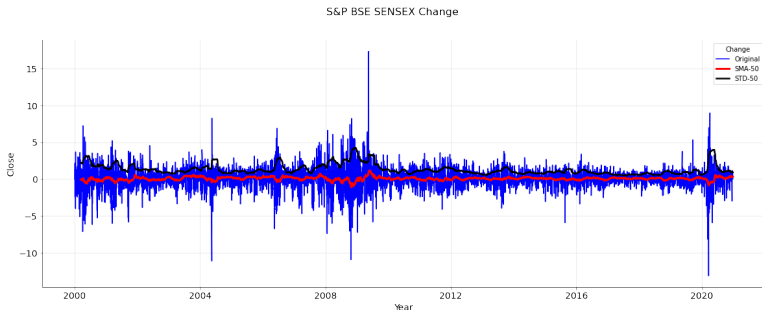
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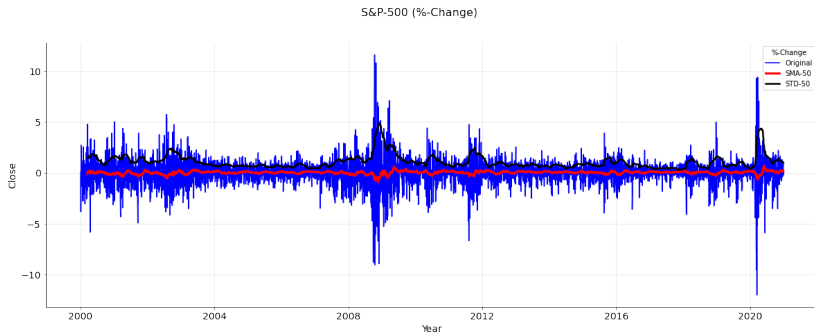
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- Random Walk Process Eqn's:

$$(i) \ P_t = P_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

$$(ii) \ P_t = d + P_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

$$(iii) \ P_t = P_0 + dt + \sum_{t=1}^{n} \epsilon_t$$

where P_t = Value of underlying series at time t.
P_{t-1} = Value of underlying series at time $t-1$.
d = Drift (which is just a trend like property for a random walk process i.e.
$d > 0 \implies$ Upward trend and $d < 0 \implies$ downward trend).
ϵ_t = White Noise or Gaussian White Noise.

INDIA VIX Index
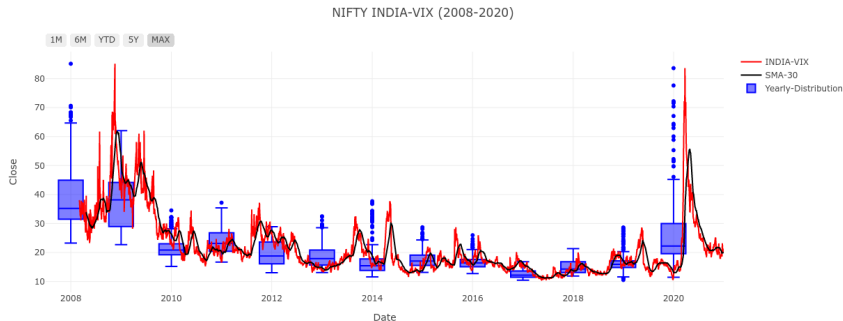
Figure: INDIA VIX (2008-2020)

- The above plot tells us about the total volatility present in the Indian Markets from the perpective of NIFTY-50.
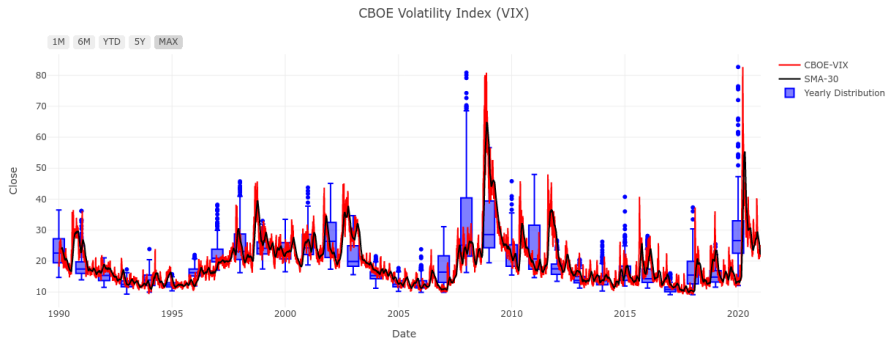
CBOE VIX Index

Figure: CBOE VIX Index

- The above figure gives us an idea about the volatility in the United States Markets from the perspective of S&P-500.

- The interesting insights (labelled in the figure) to note is that in the FY-2009 and FY-2021, the volatility in the market (both Indian & United States) are pretty high beacause in the FY-2009, Global Financial Crisis happened due to crash of Mortgage market in United States and in FY-2021 COVID-19 crash happened due to great lockdown and the panic of recession.
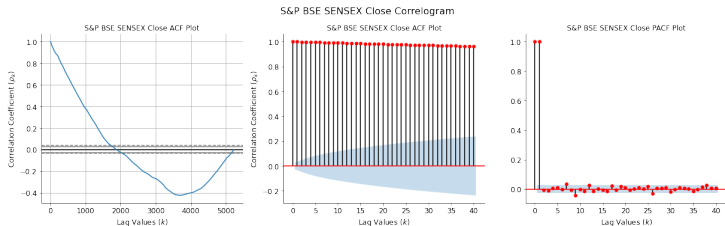
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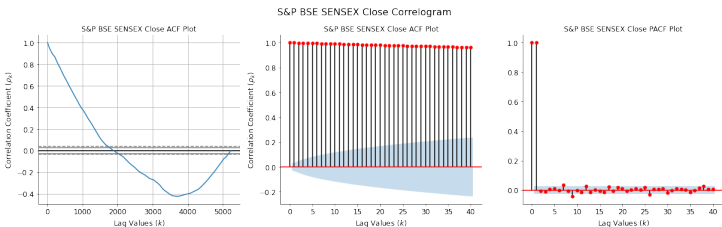

Figure: S&P BSE SENSEX %-Change ACF, PACF Plot.

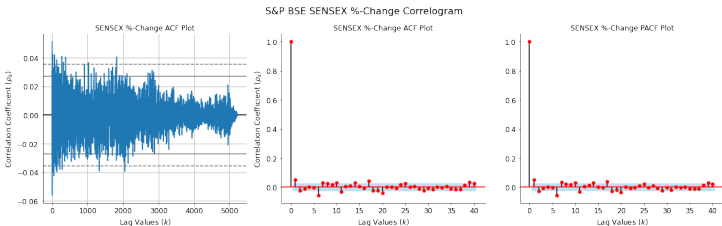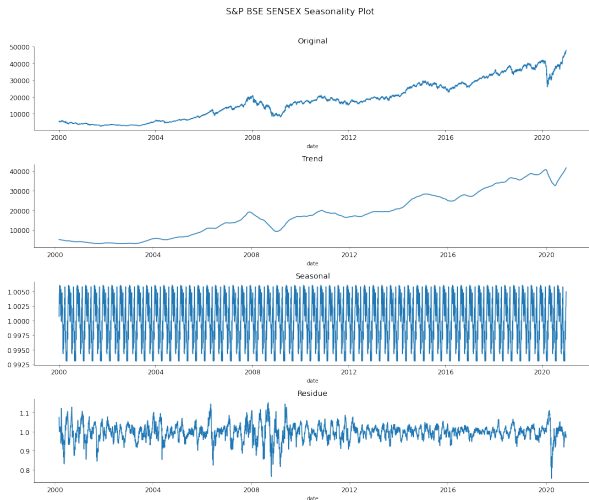Figure: S&P BSE SENSEX Trend, Seasonal, Residual Plot (Quaterly).

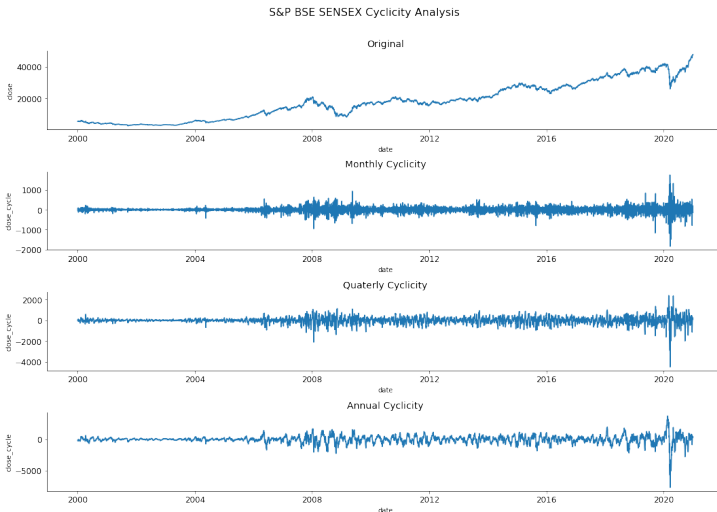# S&P BSE SENSEX Time Series Cyclicity Component

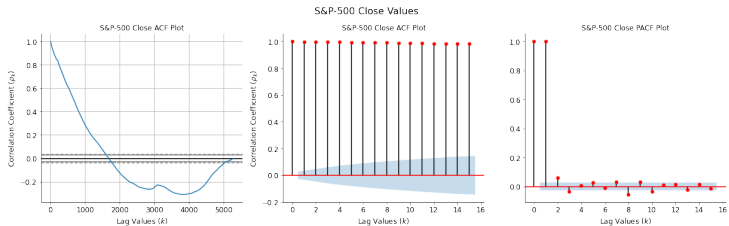Figure: S&P BSE SENSEX Montly, Quaterly and Annualy Cyclicity.

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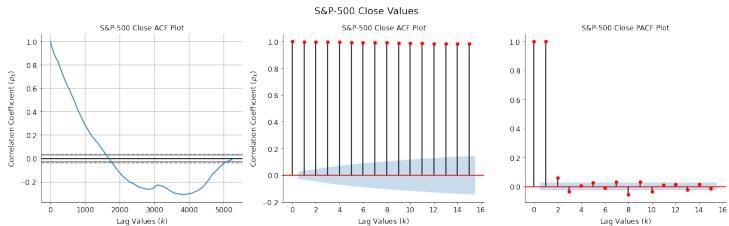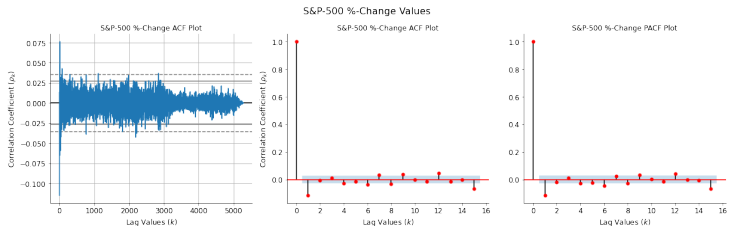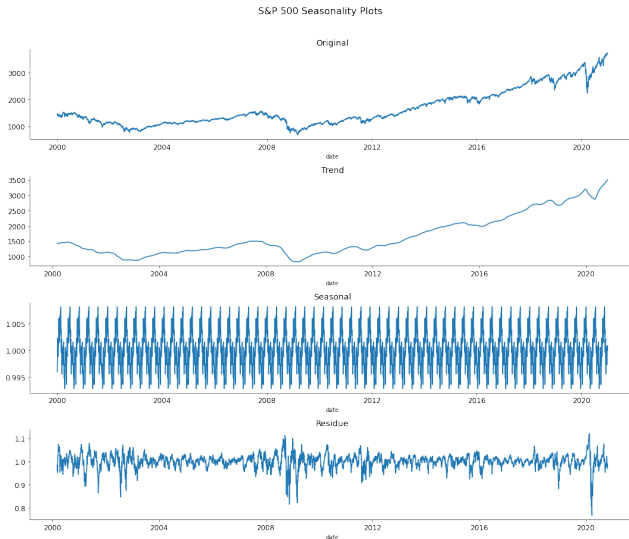# S&P-500 ACF, PACF Plots

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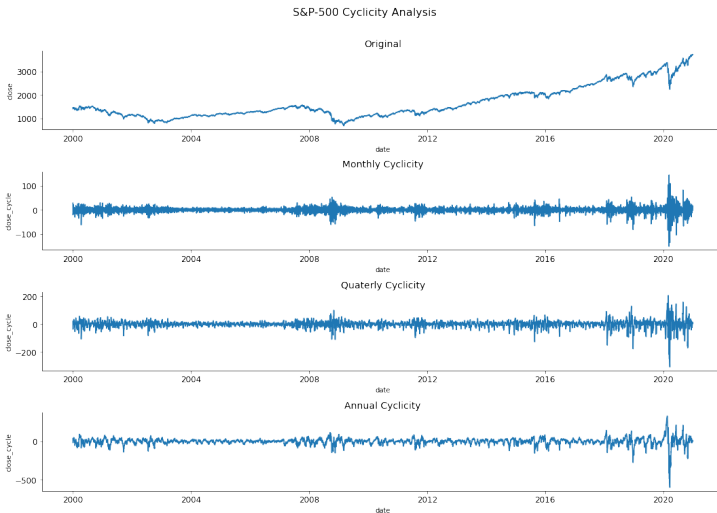
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Statistical Tests for Stationarity: Augmented Dickey Fuller Test

- H_0: Given time series data is non-stationarity $\implies$ Time series data has time dependent statistical properties i.e. mean, variance, auto-correlation etc present in it.
  H_A : Given time series data is stationary $\implies$ Time series data doesn't have any time dependent statisitcal properties present in it.

- $p - value \leq 0.05$ then we reject the H_0 otherwise we don't have enough evidence to reject the $H_0 \implies$ failed to reject H_0.

- The results of ADF Test performed on both the indexes is shown on the next slide.

ADF Test Results for S&P BSE SENSEX Index

Sr.No	Data	t-statistic	p-value	Verdict
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Table: S&P BSE SENSEX Close Value ADF Test Results.

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1	%-Change Values	-13.74109	1.094051×10^{-25}	Reject H_0.

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Estimating Parameters of ARIMA Model i.e. SARIMAX & Forecasting Using SARIMAX

```python
def timeseries_forecast_using_arima(timeseries_data: pd.DataFrame, forecast_col_name: str,
exog_features: list = None, train_data_size: float = 0.90):
    if not isinstance(timeseries_data, pd.DataFrame):
        raise Exception("Given timeseries data is not an instance of Data-Frame class.")
    train_data, validation_data = tts(timeseries_data, train_size = train_data_size)
    auto_arima_model = auto_arima(train_data[forecast_col_name],
                                  X = train_data[exog_features] if exog_features else None,
                                  m = 7, # For Daily Forecasts
                                  stepwise = True,
                                  trace = True,
                                  error_action = "ignore",
                                  supress_warnigs = True)
    model_predictions = pd.Series(auto_arima_model.predict(validation_data.shape[0],
                                                           validation_data[exog_features] if
                                                           exog_features else None),
                                  index = validation_data.index)
    return train_data, validation_data, model_predictions, auto_arima_model
```

Figure: Source Code for Estimating Parameters and Forecasting Using SARIMAX.

Prophet Based Forecasting

```python
def timeseries_forecast_using_prophet(timeseries_data: pd.DataFrame, exogenous_features,
train_data_size: float = 0.90):
    if not isinstance(timeseries_data, pd.DataFrame):
        raise Exception("Given timeseries data is not an instance of Data-Frame class.")
    columns_of_interest = ['date', 'close'] + exogenous_features
    timeseries_data = timeseries_data[columns_of_interest].rename(columns = dict(date = 'ds',
                                                                                 close = 'y'))

    train_data, validation_data = tts(timeseries_data, train_size = train_data_size)
    prophet_model = Prophet()
    for efeature in exogenous_features:
        prophet_model.add_regressor(efeature)
    prophet_model.fit(train_data)
    prophet_forecast = prophet_model.predict(validation_data)
    return prophet_model, prophet_forecast
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Figure: Source Code for Forecasting Using Prophet.

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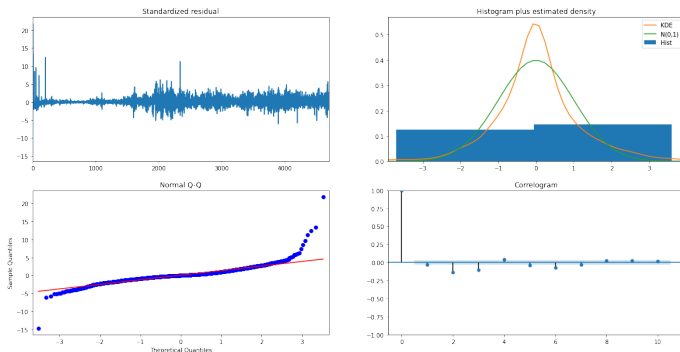
SARIMAX Performance on Validation Set (S&P BSE SENSEX)

Figure: SARIMA Model Predictions for Validation Data (S&P BSE SENSEX).

Prophet Performance on Validation Set (S&P BSE SENSEX)

Figure: Prophet Model Predictions for Validation Data (S&P BSE SENSEX).

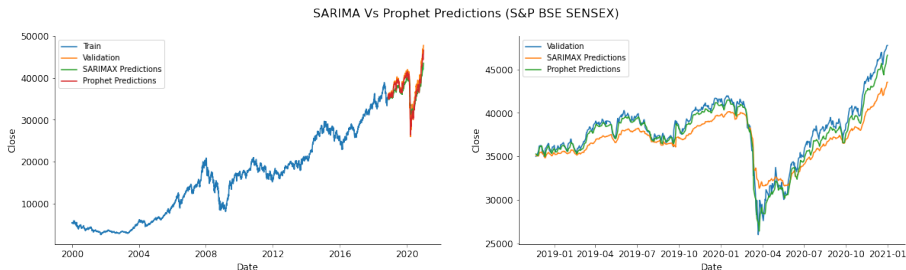# SARIMAX and Prophet Predictions Combined (S&P BSE SENSEX)

Figure: Prophet and SARIMAX Predictions on S&P BSE SENSEX Validation Set.

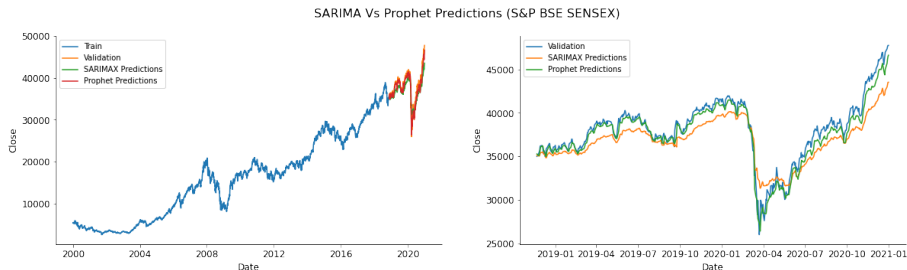# SARIMAX and Prophet Predictions Combined (S&P BSE SENSEX)

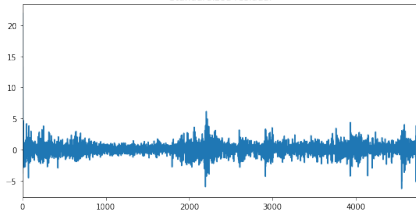Figure: Prophet and SARIMAX Predictions on S&P BSE SENSEX Validation Set.

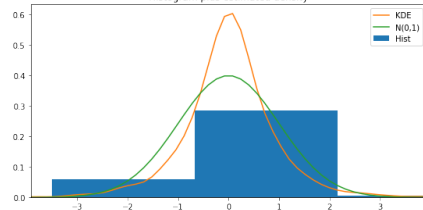| Model	MAE	MSE	RMSE	R2-Score	MAPE
SARIMAX	1553.135	3.386×10^6	1839.904	0.731307	4.05%
Prophet	611.323	5.998×10^5	774.435	0.953	1.60%

Table: SARIMAX and Prophet Error Metric Values.

Notes on Parameters of SARIMAX Model for S&P-500

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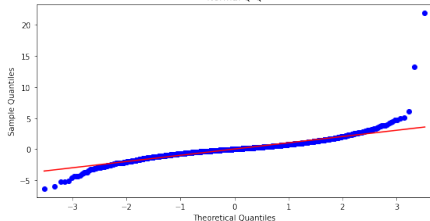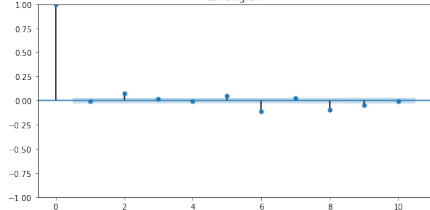 **SARIMAX** $(5, 1, 1) \times (2, 0, 1, 7)$ with an AIC=35701.260.

Figure: SARIMA Model Predictions for Validation Data (S&P-500).

Figure: Prophet Model Predictions for Validation Data (S&P-500).

Figure: Prophet and SARIMAX Predictions on S&P-500 Validation Set.

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SARIMA Vs Prophet Predictions (S&P-500 Index)
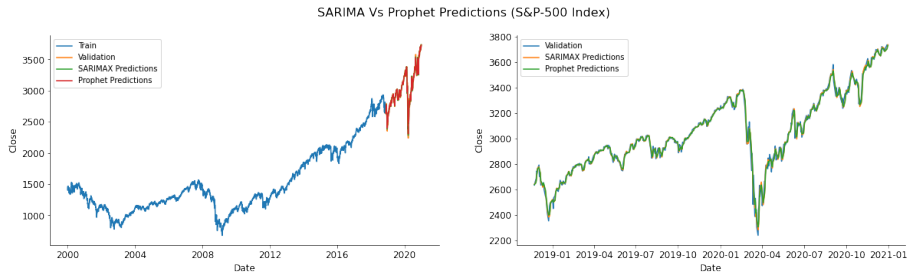
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Model	MAE	MSE	RMSE	R2-Score	MAPE
SARIMAX	18.189	755.416	27.484822	0.991685	0.62%
Prophet	18.452	770.787	27.764	0.991516	0.63%

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- Both the markets i.e. Developed & Emerging markets have rebounded quickly i.e. in approximately 7 months after the COVID-19 crash which itself is a thing to discuss because normally it takes atleast 2 years for the markets to recover to its early highs.

- In this analysis, **SARIMAX**$(2, 0, 0) \times (2, 0, 0, 7)$ for S&P BSE SENSEX and **SARIMAX**$(5, 1, 1) \times (2, 0, 1, 7)$ for S&P-500 yielded a highly accurate results with a MAPE of 4.05% and 0.61%.

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- This model can be used as a techinical indicator of what values the indexes would take in short term in order manage the portfolios to maximize the profits in the market.

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