

Changes in electricity demand to 2030

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Résumé -

À faire :

- Pour des time-series seules : univariate analysis.
 - Tester quelles variables sont stationnaires autour d'une trend déterministe** → ça nous permet de savoir ensuite si on peut faire des ARIMA, etc. Plot Autocorrelogram by using (partial) autocorrelation function. If the PACF of residuals is out of the confidence interval for a given lag k , the process has to be respecified as regards the choice of p or q . Ljung-Box + Shapiro Wilk over residuals.
 - unit root: determine whether a time series variable is non-stationary and possesses a unit root, meaning it exhibits a stochastic trend. If a time series has a unit root, it implies that the series follows a random walk and that shocks to the system have permanent effects, making it non-mean reverting. **Elliott-Rothenberg-Stock (ERS) Test and KPSS Test.**
- Multivariate time series = dynamical modelization of a vector of time series.
 - BIC over ARDL model to choose variables and lags.
 - If non-stationary, go in log then first difference (approximation of the growth rate). If non-stationary, OLS is inconsistent.
 - Reproduire QM1-PS5 en controlant la consommation d'électricité par la taille de la population et en retirant IRC. On choque l'indice des prix à la consommation. Short-run restriction (ordered data) with 10 lags.
 - Structural VAR: ordering of the endogenous variables from the most exogeneous: IPC > Prix de l'électricité > Consommation d'électricité (corrignée de la taille de la population) > PIB.
 - Si structural VAR, GIRF et choc sur le prix de l'électricité // choc sur l'inflation.
 - Vector Autoregression** → Impulse Response Function, construire des chocs sur le prix de l'électricité → voir ce qu'il se passe sur la consommation. See E2-PC4.
 - Regarder les codes R du chap 2 ici.
 - Dire que notre SVAR souffre d'un omitted variable bias en n'ayant pas pris en compte l'IRC. Interesting to add a Markov Switching process to account for IRC (up or down). Or use an Error Correction Model if our variables are non-stationary (Co-integrated VAR).
- Utiliser le package ts pour gérer les time series.
- Account for a **structural break**? see E2-PC1 + use a **Chow test** in 2009. Cannot do that in 2020 as we need more observations than predictive variables. We also need homoscedasticity in both subsamples. Account for 2020 with predictive Chow test? It is allowed even if we have less observations than predictive variables (*It will actually be easier if there is no structural break detected as, if we want to keep 3 years for a RMSE proximity measurement, we will lack of data*).
- Anderson-Darling test** for normality of residuals (small samples). Jarque-Bera test is better for large samples.
- On peut se contenter d'interpréter le tableau de régression tout prêt.
- Investiguer la méthode LASSO ou RIDGE pour sélectionner les variables : probablement pas nécessaire, à moins d'une forte multicollinéarité.
- Utiliser des BIC plutôt que AIC pour sélectionner les variables.
- Transformer IPC en taux d'inflation: $\pi = 100 \cdot \frac{IPC_t - IPC_{t-1}}{IPC_{t-1}}$?
- Prévision 2030: si on utilise des AR process, on peut aisément faire des prévisions par régressions successives.
- Intéressant d'avoir $\log(c_{elec})_t = \alpha + \beta X_t + \gamma X_{t-1} + \chi \log(c_{elec})_{t-1} + \varepsilon$? → **BreuschGodfrey test for autocorrelation**

1 Notes en vrac

- Synthèse: 5 à 10 pages. Might be something good to write in english.
- Goal: electricity demand modeling, with forecasting for 2030.
- Observer la **relation entre prix de l'électricité et changement dans la structure des moyens de production** ces dernières années → besoins de meilleures variables ?? Ou juste regarder le PIB, contrôler pour l'IPC, etc.
- **impact des marchés de l'électricité sur la demande d'électricité** → on juge que le prix de l'électricité capture l'effet du "marché" ??

On n'a *a priori* pas d'information sur la relation analytique entre les variables : on ne suppose aucune contrainte sur les estimateurs.

1.1 Description

1. Relation économétrique entre les variables.
2. Prévision de la variable dépendante.

1.2 Notes cours C. Doz

1.2.1 Univariate time series

Stationary around a deterministic trend: $X_t = a + bt + Y_t$ where $(Y_t)_t \in Z$ is a stationary process. (Stationarity if esperance and variance does not depend on t).

White noise: variance is constant, no autocorrelation, mean is zero.

Wold theorem: any stationary process can be written as a linear combination of white noise. $X_t = m + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi_i \varepsilon_{t-i}$.

Lag operator: $LX_t = X_{t-1}$. Now, if $(X_t)_t$ is a stationary process:

- $AR(p)$ process: $X_t = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t$.
- Best Linear Forecast of an $AR(p)$ process: $X_{t+1|t}^* = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{t+1-i} + \varepsilon_t$.
- Moving average process $MA(q)$: $X_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t + \sum_{i=1}^q \theta_i \varepsilon_{t-i}$.
- $ARMA(p, q)$ process: $X_t = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^p \phi_i X_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t + \sum_{j=1}^q \theta_j \varepsilon_{t-j}$.
- If $(X_t)_t$ is an $ARMA(p, q)$ process, autocorrelation should tend exponentially to 0 with increasing lags.
- On these processes, the impact of a shock is transitory.

In our case, electricity consumption might not be ARMA processes, so we might not be able to forecast as such... it is to be tested. We have to test which variables can be considered stationary around a deterministic trend.

Now, if $X_t = \mu + X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ (random walk), we have:

- $ARIMA$: $(1 - L)^d \Phi(L)X_t = \mu + \theta(L)\varepsilon$
- On $ARIMA$ process, the impact of a shock is permanent.
- Autocorrelation of X_t don't exponentially tend to 0 with increasing lags.
- Identification and estimation of an $ARIMA(p, d, q)$:
 1. choice of d : visual inspection of the estimated autocorrelogram + unit root tests (see below).
 2. If $(X_t)_t$ appears to be non-stationary, study $(1 - L)X_t$, etc...
 3. Choose the smallest d such that $(1 - L)^d X_t$ appears to be stationary.
 4. choice of (p, q) : compute $Y_t = (1 - L)^d X_t$ and apply to Y_t the procedure which has been presented for $ARMA(p, q)$. Estimate an $ARMA$ model for Y_t .

1.2.2 Multivariate time series

Let's consider a vector of time series $(X_t)_t$ with $X_t = (X_{1t}, X_{2t}, \dots, X_{kt})$. We suppose that $(X_t)_t$ is a stationary process.

Wold theorem: If $(X_t)_t$ is a stationary process and $(\varepsilon_t)_t$ is a white noise, then $(X_t)_t$ can be written as a linear combination of $(\varepsilon_t)_t$:

$$X_t = m + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i \varepsilon_{t-i}, \quad A_0 = I, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i < \infty$$

$$\text{VAR}(p): X_t = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^p \Phi_i X_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t \Leftrightarrow \Phi(L)X_t = \mu + \varepsilon_t.$$

It's not clear that IRC is a good variable to include in the VAR model: it does not seem to be an AR(1) process, or at least not with our granularity.

To do an IRF: Cholesky decomposition to have an orthogonalized impulse response function.

1.3 Notes Ferrara - Doz

1. Data analysis
2. Model specification
3. Parameter estimation
4. Model validation by tests
5. Macro use of the model for forecasting and policy analysis

Bootstrap on residuals is valid if the residuals are white noise and the process is stationary.

ARDL: $Y_t = \alpha + \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j X_{t-j} + \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j Y_{t-j} + \varepsilon_t$.

The model specification is generally carried out using information criteria.

About Structural VAR: Structural shocks are supposed to be white noise processes and orthogonal to each others.

we could use short-run restrictions with Cholesky decomposition, but also Local Projection à la Jordà (2005) or sign (long-run) restrictions à la Uhlig (2005).

1.4 OLS Regression

For $n = 32$ observations, $k = 6$ variables, we use the following linear regression model:

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1k} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Ordinary Least Square (OLS) method is used to estimate the coefficients β . It holds over the following hypothesis:

1. More observations than explanatory variables
2. Absence of multicollinearity → useful to check if we are using lags.
3. Explanatory variables rely on data and the error term is random
4. The expected value of the error term is zero
5. Errors are not autocorrelated
6. Errors are homoscedastic
7. The error terms follow a normal distribution

If the hypotheses 4, 5 and 6 are verified, the error term is white noise.

The R^2 coefficient is used to evaluate the goodness of fit of the model. It measures the proportion of the variance in the dependent variable that is predictable from the independent variables. The adjusted R^2 is used to compare the goodness of fit of models with different numbers of variables.

Confidence interval for $\beta_j \in \{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_k\}$ is given by a Student's t-distribution with $n - k - 1$ degrees of freedom. (*is it useful?*).

Si l'hypothèse de non colinéarité n'est pas vérifiée, l'estimation du modèle est impossible (elle nécessiterait d'inverser une matrice singulière) alors que pour toutes les autres hypothèses l'estimation est possible mais donne un estimateur biaisé et/ou non efficace (à variance non minimale) mais il existe des corrections possibles. La normalité des erreurs est quant à elle non obligatoire mais permet de tirer de bonnes propriétés.

1.4.1 QQ plot

The QQ-plot shows that the error terms are normally distributed.

Kolmogorov Smirnov: Various studies have found that, even in this corrected form, the test is less powerful for testing normality than the ShapiroWilk test or AndersonDarling test.

The ShapiroWilk test is known not to work well in samples with many identical values. Jarque-Bera is bad for small samples → **Anderson-Darling** is better.

Student and **Fisher** tests are used to test the significance of the coefficients: they depends on the normality of the residuals.

1.4.2 homoscedasticity

The GoldfeldQuandt test is not very robust to specification errors. The **Breusch-Pagan** test is designed to detect only linear forms of heteroskedasticity. White test is more general and can detect a wider range of forms of heteroskedasticity, but cannot be used for small samples.

heteroskedasticity → weighted regression.

1.4.3 Autocorrelation

DurbinWatson statistic (or Durbin's h statistic), which is only valid for nonstochastic regressors and for testing the possibility of a first-order autoregressive model (e.g. AR(1)) for the regression errors. The BreuschGodfrey test has none of these restrictions, and is statistically more powerful than Durbin's h statistic. The BreuschGodfrey test is considered to be more general than the **Ljung-Box** test because the latter requires the assumption of strict exogeneity, but the BreuschGodfrey test does not. However, the **BreuschGodfrey** test requires the assumptions of stronger forms of predeterminedness and conditional homoscedasticity.

1.4.4 Multicollinearity

Commonly occurs in models with large numbers of parameters.

Use of Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) to detect multicollinearity. No clear threshold for VIF, and there is often a misunderstanding on how to deal with multicollinearity.

If multicollinearity is detected, the following methods can be used:

- Remove one of the variables or combine them (not recommended)
- Use principal component analysis
- Use ridge regression: regularization method.
- Use LASSO: variable selection and regularization method.

- Use Elastic Net: linear combination of LASSO and ridge regression.

1.5 Non-linear regression

Mention the possible use of a Markov Switching process to account for IRC (up or down), or a price effect (low growth or strong growth) use Catherine Doz's course for theoretical background.

What is shown by Lantz: Gauss-Newton method (Taylor linearization before OLS), or polynomial regression by minimising Mallows C_p to know the polynomial order.

1.6 Forecast (see p.115)

Bootstrapping is useful when the error terms are non-normal. "L'application des méthodes de bootstrap sur les modèles de régression permet d'approximer la distribution des erreurs de prédiction par leur distribution empirique lorsque celle-ci est inconnue. Le bootstrap est ainsi particulièrement utile lorsque les échantillons de données sont de petite taille et qu'il n'est pas possible de postuler que les erreurs ont une distribution gaussienne"

Guess for a growth rate with 'predict' and add fluctuations based on the regression slope and the IRC fluctuation?

- Estimation MCO du modèle
- Prévision MCO
- Initialisation de la boucle bootstrap
- Boucle bootstrap
- Construction de l'intervalle de prédiction bootstrap

Les mesures de l'erreur quadratique moyenne et de l'erreur absolue permettent de mesurer l'écart entre les prévisions et les observations lorsqu'on effectue des prévisions sur des données rétrospectives. Les indicateurs obtenus à partir de la statistique U de Theil sont utilisés sur des prévisions rétrospectives afin d'évaluer si les erreurs de prévisions retranscrivent un effet de biais, de variance ou, de préférence, un effet de covariance.

1.7 À reproduire ! (p91 du poly)

"Modèle de consommation d'électricité aux Etats-Unis expliquant le logarithme de la consommation d'électricité par habitant par le logarithme du revenu par habitant en monnaie constante et le logarithme du prix de l'électricité en monnaie constante."

"En effet, d'un point de vue économique, la consommation d'un bien dépend d'un effet de revenu et d'un effet de prix auxquels peuvent s'ajouter, le cas échéant, d'autres effets. Ici, on conserve la spécification la plus simple où l'utilité d'un bien dépend d'un effet de richesse et d'un effet prix."

Dans notre cas, on ajoute l'effet de l'IRC et approxime les revenus par le PIB.

$$\ln \frac{C_{elec}}{pop} = \alpha + \beta_1 \ln \frac{PIB}{pop} + \beta_2 \ln \frac{prix_{elec}}{IPC} + \beta_3 IRC + \varepsilon \quad (1.1)$$

Attention: le PIB est en euros constants de 2020: on doit le convertir en euros constants de 2015. $PIB_{2015} = PIB_{2020} \times \frac{IPC_{2015}}{IPC_{2020}}$.

Les coefficients β_1 et β_2 sont, respectivement, l'élasticité de la consommation d'électricité par rapport au revenu et l'élasticité de la consommation d'électricité par rapport au prix. Ces coefficients mesurent la variation en pourcentage de la consommation d'électricité par rapport, respectivement, à une variation en pourcentage du revenu et la variation et à une variation en pourcentage des prix.

On fait ensuite un test de Chow sur 2009.

Cusum est peu puissant (on accepte facilement l'hypothèse nulle). On peut ici ajouter un test de Chow pas à pas entre 2007 et 2012.

Puis test de Cusum-square pour attester du structural break. On refait une régression sur 2009-2020, et on renouvelle le test de Cusum-square pour vérifier la stabilité temporelle du modèle.

2 Critique

Utiliser le déflateur du PIB plutôt que l'IPC pour tenir compte des changements dans la composition des biens et services produits.

Le déflateur du PIB est un indice de prix qui reflète les variations des prix de tous les biens et services produits dans une économie. Contrairement à d'autres indices (comme l'IPC, qui se concentre sur un panier fixe de biens), le déflateur du PIB tient compte des changements dans la composition des biens et services produits.

3 Note échange

Changement moyen prod: renouvelable increase entraîne gaz et charbon increase, qui évoluent avec le prix du pétrole.

Donnée mensuelle : pas accessible.

Co-integration: prendre des valeurs critiques. Helmut Lutke Paul. Bootstrap.

Pesaran: optimal prediction with weighting on covid data.

4 Introduction

As France aim to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050¹, it is of great matter to understand the determinants of past electricity consumption in order to predict future trends and build prospective scenarios that will inform energy policies. Despite the many reason that could explain the evolution of electricity consumption (structural changes in production and consumption, especially with regard to the energetic transition, AI consumption [?], etc.), we will keep the model simple and focus on the main determinants of electricity consumption: income, price and annual climate variations. The provided forecast therefore be seen as a potential baseline scenario, built only from what have existed, completely blind to any future changes (or crisis) in the economy.

5 Methods

5.1 About the dataset

The given dataset is composed of 6 annual time series over electricity consumption, GDP, population, inflation (through Consumer Price Index), electricity price, and a climate index. The data is available from 1990 to 2021, therefore providing 32 observations.

We first tried to find more granular data, *e.g.* quarterly one, but no source could provide electricity information over the 1990-2021 time period (the IAE has been charging for data since january 2025, Eurostat doesn't have reliable french data before 2005)². From this situation, we already know that, dealing with low-frequency data, we will not be able to include annual variability in our analysis, which could have been interesting for studying seasonal effects on electricity. We also will not be able to use moving average filter (*e.g.* Hodrick-Prescott) to identify trends, economic cycles, and fluctuations in GDP.

To our available data we add the real net disposable income of households and Non-Profit Institutions Serving Households (NPISH), deflated by final consumption expenditure (expressed in millions euros 2020, chained volumes³), the deflator being the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Because it captures changes in household market purchasing power, it might be a better proxy for an income effect on electricity consumption.

From figure 1, we realize how close the GDP and the net disposable income are, only clearly diverging in trend in 2008 and 2020, which we can identify as the 2008 financial crisis and the Covid-19 crisis. Let us note that from 2008, the growth rate of electricity price becomes greather than inflation.

It seems of great matter to take into account the climate variable into our regression model, considering how elec-

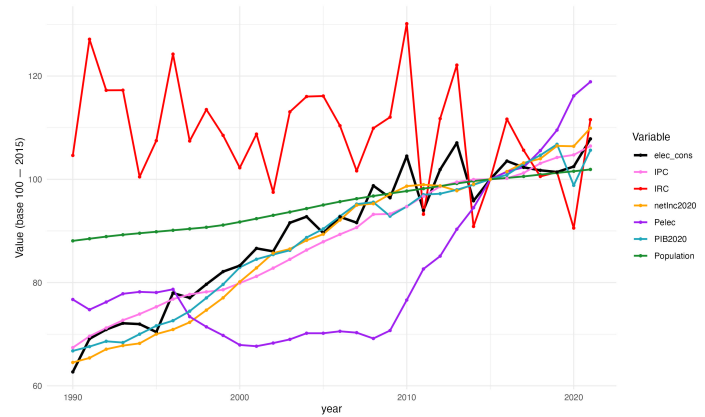


Figure 1: Time variation in our data, expressed in base 100 (2015). In black the electricity consumption. In light blue and orange, respectively the GDP and the net disposable income, in euros 2020. In pink, the inflation through CPI, in green the population size. In red the climate index, and eventually in purple the electricity price.

tricity consumption peaks in cold winters. Eventually, we guess a correlation between the trend decline in the growth rate of electricity consumption and the burst in the price of electricity since 2009. It is likely that this sharp increase is a consequence of the 2008 energy crisis (which might be explained as the interaction of a strong positive demand shock and the ongoing financial crisis⁴), and the 2005-2008 oil price shock⁵.

the absolute peak of conventional oil

Choc sur le prix du pétrole en 2008, répercussion sur les prix.

Éventuellement effet du marché.

(crise économique ?; mais **se renseigner aussi sur la mise en place de la libéralisation des prix**⁶)

5.2 Model

The regression equation (5.1) is a model of electricity consumption seeking to explain the logarithm of per capita electricity consumption by the logarithm of per capita GDP (a proxy for income per capita⁷) in constant currency and the

⁴see Balcilar et al. (2020)

⁵see Balcilar et al. (2020)

⁶

- juillet 2007 : éligibilité de tous les consommateurs (dont les clients résidentiels) au marché concurrentiel de l'électricité.
- Entrée en vigueur du traité de Lisbonne le 1er décembre 2009.
- 7 décembre 2010 : loi NOME (Nouvelle Organisation du Marché de l'Électricité) qui vise à favoriser la concurrence sur le marché de l'électricité (*e.g.* mise en place de l'accès régulé à l'électricité nucléaire historique).

⁷It is however a rough proxy, as the relationship between GDP and household income can be influenced by the division of value between labor and capital, the french tax system and redistribution of wealth, unemployment effects and sectoral effects. Considering that GDP per capita

¹see Légifrance.

²For inflation and GDP, we could have used INSEE database, here and there.

³see OCDE.

logarithm of the price of electricity in constant currency.

$$\ln \frac{c_{elec}}{pop} = \alpha + \beta_1 \ln \frac{PIB}{pop} + \beta_2 \ln \frac{prix_{elec}}{IPC} + \beta_3 IRC + \varepsilon \quad (5.1)$$

From an economic point of view, the consumption of a good could be explained by an income effect and a price effect, to which other effects may be added if necessary. Here, we add the Climate Rigor Index (*Indice de Rigueur Climatique*, IRC) to control for climate variation (*e.g.* a colder winter increases electricity consumption).

β_1 and β_2 represent respectively the income elasticity and the price elasticity of electricity consumption, *i.e.* the percentage change in electricity consumption in relation, respectively, to a percentage change in income and the percentage change in prices.

6 Results

7 Matériels et méthodes

8 Résultats et discussions

9 À propos du prototype

10 Conclusion

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