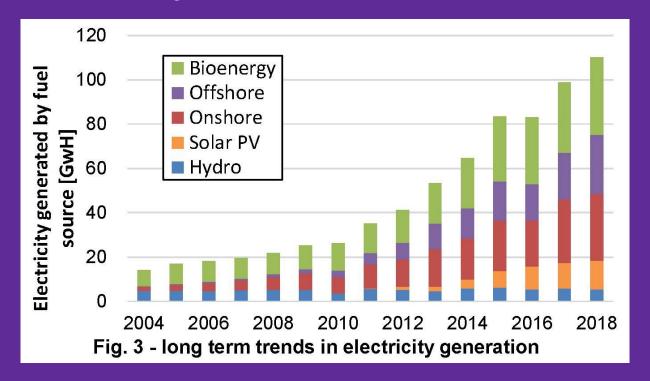
## **Profiting from Battery Energy Trading**

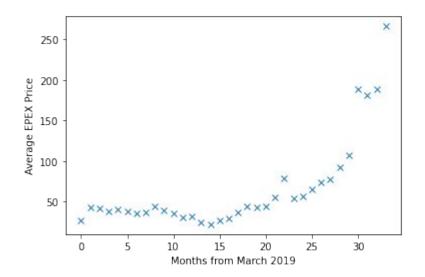
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# Increasing reliance on volatile renewables + better battery tech = ??



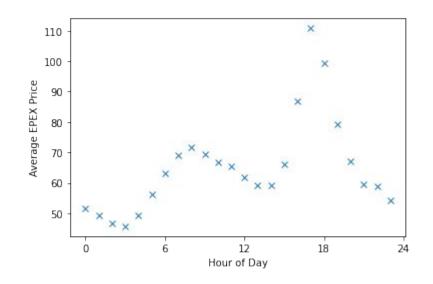
#### What is the Market Like?



Strong Increase in price with time.

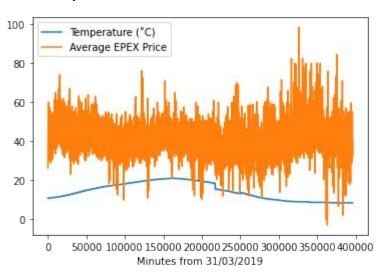
Seasonality seems to be drowned out?

Distinct Peaks and Minima throughout the day.

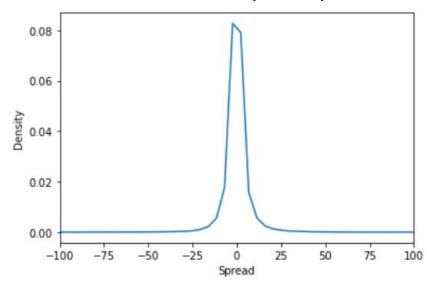


#### What is the Market Like?

#### Temperature and EPEX Price

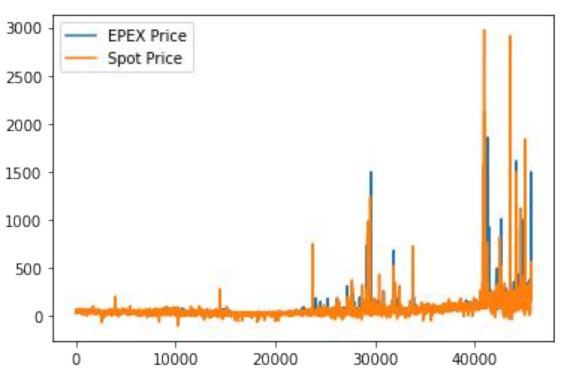


#### Distribution of EPEX price Spreads



#### What is the Market Like?

Temperature and EPEX vs Spot Price



## Training the Model

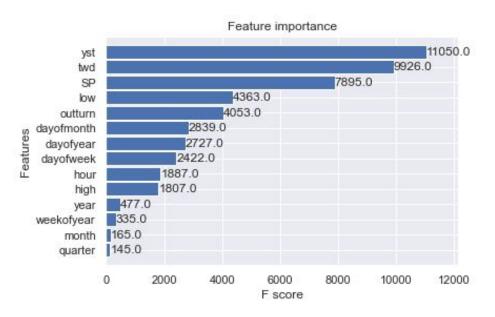
Predict the prices using <u>historical data</u> as inputs to predict EPEX price

Multivariable time series forecasting

<u>Dataset</u> split into Training Dataset, Validation Dataset and Unseen Dataset (September 2019)

#### **Features Used:**

EPEX price 24 hours back (yst), EPEX price 48 hours back (twd), Time of day, Temperature Stats of Day (high, low, outturn)

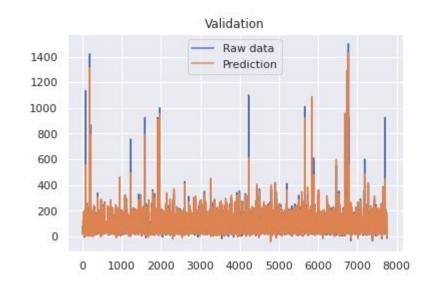


### Parameter tuning in XGBoost and Validation

Functions used for tuning the parameters: GridSearchCV (sklearn.model\_selection) + TuneGridSearchCV (tune\_sklearn)

Mostly controlled model complexity: e.g. max\_depth, min\_child\_weight and gamma

Squared error minimization



#### **Validation of Results**

Accuracies (highest) = 1-MAPE:

**XGBoost: 67.45%** 

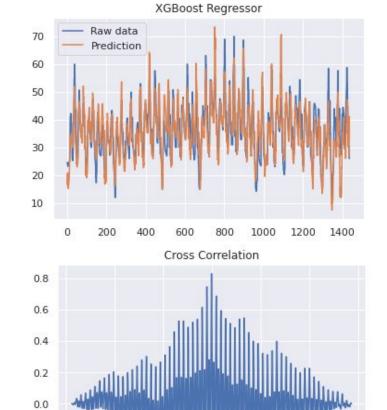
**Random Forest: 67.35%** 

Mean Absolute Errors (lowest):

**XGBoost: 4.311** 

**Random Forest: 4.354** 

 Results are very close but XGBoost has many more parameters to be tuned, so it is potentially better if we can tune the parameters better.



Maximum cross-correlation at lag = 0 (~0.8)

1000

1500

-0.2

-1500

## **Trading for Electricity**

Find Peaks and Troughs using **scipy.signal.find\_peak** 

Simple algorithm built to buy at troughs and sell during peaks

Errors in the code, losses when accounting 85% efficiency

#### Final Profit for September 2019: £1217.27

#### **Updated Final Profit for September 2019: -£187**

Needs 88% efficiency to breakeven, and 100% efficiency will achieve £839.31 Profit

## Improvements in the Model

#### Trading Algorithm

- Model **did not account for profit** when picking peak-trough pairs

#### XGBoost

- Fine tuning parameters
- **Adding new parameters** (system price and net imbalance volume)
- **Construct a stacked model** by combining several finely tuned models, then train together with a part of the training data (meta training data) and predict a common answer in the end.

#### **Profitability**

- Needs to be profitable as companies are profiting off volatile energy supplies
- One 1MWh battery costs around half a million USD and there is added maintenance cost<sup>[1]</sup>
- Energy trading companies should be making at least 10 times more than our calculated monthly profit

## Thank you!

1. https://www.energy-storage.news/monetising-battery-storage-in-the-uk-and-europe-in-2021-new-opportunities-and-a-new-way-of-thinking/