# **Electricity Load Forecasting: Ensemble Approach**



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### **Abstract**

The purpose of this research project is to develop a modeling framework for forecasting electricity load and analyzing the structure of the electricity-load behavior. The theme "Electricity Load Forecasting: Ensemble Approach" was chosen to explore the applicability of an ensemble-based data-assimilation technique for both load forecasting and structural analysis.

The first chapter of the thesis introduces the historical background that explains why utilities need structural analysis on electricity-load behavior and then discusses the problems concerning load forecasting. The second chapter shows data sources available for forecasts of load, including photovoltaic power (PV). In the third chapter, existing state-of-the-art forecasting techniques are reviewed. The fourth chapter illustrates the theoretical background regarding state-space models (SSMs), ensemble filtering methods, and model performance metrics. In the fifth chapter, SSMs for load forecasting are developed and compared to existing methods. Shrinkage or multiple linear regression methods are introduced to further enhance accuracy. In the sixth chapter, SSMs for PV generation are developed. In the final chapter, a summary and some conclusions are provided. This thesis demonstrates that the forecasting performance of the proposed models is significantly better than the performance of existing models; therefore, the proposed modeling framework is a promising technique.

The original contribution to knowledge is that the methodology of making ensemble-based structural models suitable for load forecasting is developed for the first time, and the effectiveness of using an ensemble-based method is clearly demonstrated through numerical experiments. The developed framework opens the door to more flexible and accurate modeling with the capability of load analysis, an advantage that existing methods do not provide. The framework has the potential for remarkable economic impacts on utilities. It helps solve emerging problems such as the low accuracy of load forecasts caused by the rapid increase in PV generation; hence, it minimizes the generation cost of thermal units and reduces imbalance charges for electric-power disparities between forecasts and their physical deliveries.

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## **Nomenclature**

### **Roman Symbols**

```
ah_t
       binary variable for day following a holiday or weekend at hour t
AR_t
       autoregressive component at hour t
C_m
       total photovoltaic power capacity in month m
       total photovoltaic power capacity at hour t
C_t
date_t calendar date at hour t
\Delta t p_{2,t}, \Delta t p_{48,t} difference between 2- and 48-hour-mean temperature at hour t and ST_t [°C]
       forecasting/ filtering error in month m
e_m
tp_{2,t}, tp_{48,t} 2- and 48-hour mean temperatures at hour t [°C]
HM_t humidity effect component at hour t
hm_t
       relative humidity at hour t [%]
       binary variable for holiday at hour t
ho_t
INDAY_t intra-daily (24-h) periodic component at hour t
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 $INWK_t$  intra-weekly (168-h) periodic component at hour t

INWKS<sub>t</sub> intra-weekly (168-h) periodic component after smoothing at hour t

 $INDAYS_t$  intra-daily (24-h) periodic component after smoothing at hour t

 $Y_t$  electricity load at hour t

 $MIN_t$  minimum value of the  $INDAY_t$  at hour t

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| $N_e$       | number of members in ensemble                                                                |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $N_m$       | number of forecasting months                                                                 |
| $N_t$       | number of hours predicted                                                                    |
| $p_{i,t}$   | photovoltaic power from the $i^{th}$ area at hour $t$                                        |
| $p_t$       | total photovoltaic power at hour t                                                           |
| $PV_t$      | photovoltaic effect at hour t                                                                |
| $L_i, L$    | trade-off parameter for system noise variance                                                |
| R           | variance of observation noise                                                                |
| $RA_t$      | solar radiation effect component at hour t                                                   |
| $ra_t$      | amount of global solar radiation at hour $t$ [MJ/(m <sup>2</sup> h)]                         |
| $r_{i,t}$   | amount of global solar radiation of the $i^{th}$ observatory at hour $t$ [W/m <sup>2</sup> ] |
| $ST_t$      | cooling/heating starting/switch-off temperature at hour t                                    |
| $TP_t$      | temperature effect component at hour t                                                       |
| $tp_{x,t}$  | <i>x</i> -hour mean temperatures at hour $t$ [ $^{\circ}$ C]                                 |
| TREN        | $ID_t$ trend component at hour $t$                                                           |
| $v_t^{(i)}$ | system noise for the $i^{th}$ state variable at hour $t$                                     |
| $v_m^{(i)}$ | system noise for the $i^{th}$ state variable in month $m$                                    |
| $W_t$       | observation-noise component for electricity load model at hour t                             |
| $W_m$       | observation-noise component for purchased photovoltaics model in month m                     |
| $w_{i,m}$   | weight for the total capacity to make the $i^{th}$ local capacity in month $m$               |
| $DAY_t$     | effect of the day of the week (day-effect component) at hour $t$                             |
| $tu_t$ , we | $e_t$ , $th_t$ , $fr_t$ , $sa_t$ , $su_t$ binary variables for day of the week at hour $t$   |
| $WS_t$      | wind effect component at hour t                                                              |

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 $ws_t$  wind speed at hour t [m/s]

YR target year

#### **Greek Symbols**

 $\alpha$  coefficient for  $MIN_t$ 

 $\beta$  coefficient vector for a design matrix

 $\beta^{(hm)}$  humidity response indicator

 $\beta^{(pv)}$  photovoltaic power response indicator

 $\beta^{(ra)}$  solar radiation response indicator

 $\beta^{(ws)}$  wind speed response indicator

 $\delta_t$  temperature multiplier at hour t

 $\delta_m$  photovoltaic conversion factor in month m

 $\eta_m$  photovoltaic conversion coefficient in month m

 $\gamma_t$  temperature indicator for the short-term variation in electricity load at hour t

 $\gamma_t'$  cumulative indicator for the long-term variation in electricity load at hour t

 $\kappa$  coefficient of photovoltaic cell temperature

 $\phi_{1,t}$ ,  $\phi_{2,t}$  coefficients of AR(2) at hour t

#### **Superscripts**

(·) identification number of a particular component or parameter

#### **Subscripts**

i, j, k indexes for general purpose

*m* index for month

t index for hour

#### **Other Symbols**

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f function that gives the relationship between intra-daily and day effects

 $[\cdot]_+$  hinge function

*h* map function

 $\mathcal{L}_t$  likelihood function at hour t

 $\mathcal{L}_m$  likelihood function in month m

N normal distribution

### **Acronyms / Abbreviations**

4D-Var Four-Dimensional Variational Data-Assimilation Algorithm

 $AE_t$  Absolute Error

ANNs Artificial Neural Networks

ARIMA Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average

CDD Cooling Degree Day

DM Diebold-Mariano (test)

EAKF Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter

EKF Extended Kalman Filter

EnKF Ensemble Kalman Filter

EnKF/PO Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations

EnKF/SR Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm

EnSRF Ensemble Square-Root Filter

ETKF Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter

FIT Feed-In-Tariff

**HDD** Heating Degree Day

HP Hourly Periodic (state-space models with Kalman filter)

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KF Kalman Filter

Lasso Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator

LTLF Long-Term load forecasting

MAE Mean Absolute Error

MAPE Mean Absolute Percentage Error

MBE Mean Bias Error

MLE Maximum-Likelihood Estimation

MLR Multiple Linear Regression

MTLF Mid-Term Load Forecasting

NOCT Nominal Operation Cell Temperature

NWP Numerical Weather Prediction

PCT Photovoltaic Cell Temperature

 $PE_t$  Percentage Error at hour t

 $PE_m$  Percentage Error in month m

PF Particle Filter

PV PhotoVoltaics

RegARIMA Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average with external Regressors

RMSE Root Mean Squared Error

RW weekly Random-Walk model

SD Standard Deviation of percentage error

SRF Square-Root Filter

SSMs State-Space Models

TEPCO Tokyo Electric Power Company

UC Unobserved Component (models)

## Chapter 1

## Introduction

## 1.1 Motivations

## 1.1.1 Need for Structural Analysis on Electricity-Load Behavior

Following the Great East Japan Earthquake of 2011, most nuclear power plants in Japan were shut down due to safety concerns. Consequently, this caused an unprecedented tightening of the supply-demand balance for electricity. The earthquake also caused the public to be more energy conscious, and this has accelerated the widespread use of energy-saving appliances, such as light emitting diodes (LEDs). To obtain environmentally friendly power supplies, several incentives have been introduced to facilitate the installation of renewable energy supplies; hence, the number of these installations is growing rapidly. These changes affect the electricity load on various timescales—days, weeks, and years. Under these circumstances, it becomes increasingly important for utilities to properly monitor changes in the electricity load in order to secure a stable power supply and make a proper plan for investing in power facilities. For covering peak loads with a limited power source, it is necessary to accurately plan pumped-storage hydropower operations at least a week in advance, and this requires accurate load forecasting. When accurate forecasts are needed, most utilities [e.g., 39] use statistical methods, such as multiple linear regression (MLR) or artificial neural networks (ANNs). However, these are not suitable for analyzing the load, since they tend not to provide any insight into the cause of a structural change; for example, regression coefficients estimated using highly correlated explanatory variables are usually very large positive or negative values, but they offer no information on cause and effect.

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## 1.1.2 Emerging Problems Concerning Renewable Energy

Since 2012, electric utilities in Japan have been obligated to purchase excess renewable energies at a fixed price through a government-guaranteed period. Subsequently, the installed capacity of photovoltaic (PV) generation has increased rapidly. Compared with other renewable energies, the Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) rate for PV systems is relatively high (e.g., ¥42/kWh for 20 years). In addition, the installment cost and environmental requirements for the system have been low in comparison. These advantages have led to a boom in investment in PV systems. The wide variation of PV power generation, which is dependent on the weather, necessitates short-term PV power forecasting in order to maintain supply-demand balance in a power system. This balance is maintained by system operators through short-term electricity load forecasting. However, the difficulty involved in hourly PV power estimation lowers the accuracy of load forecasting. This problem is described in detail as follows. Figure 1.1 shows the relationship between electricity load and PV power. Photovoltaic self-consumption, which is power consumption within houses or firms of PV suppliers, is shown above the load curve, which is indicated by the thick black line. Although PV selfconsumption is not a part of the load, on cloudy days, it decreases, and the load curve increases to compensate for the electricity shortfall. The remainder of the PV power, more than 85% of the total PV power generated, is sold to a utility as a power source, which is shown as the area just below the load curve. Thus, both sold and self-consumed PV power affect utilities, and due to the influence of weather, PV power as a power source is virtually uncontrollable. Since the target of load forecasting is a load that contains such PV power suppliers, it is important to accurately forecast PV power generation on an hourly basis.

Hourly PV power forecasting is not an easy task for major utilities, especially those without a remote monitoring system for power-consumption, also referred to as a smart-meter system. The difficulty in proper forecasting is that utilities without a smart-meter system cannot measure both the hourly PV power generation, which inflows to the power grid, and PV self-consumption. Instead, only reported monthly PV purchase volumes and hourly weather information are available (observational and two-week-ahead forecasts). Therefore, we must estimate hourly PV power generation based on these data. Major utilities in Japan have used physics-based models for PV forecasting. Since these models do not have a process of model-fitting to observational data, a severe bias problem arises that directly leads

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All households in Japan will be equipped with smart meters that are capable of reporting PV power by 2020 (earliest estimate).

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to a large imbalance penalty.<sup>2</sup>

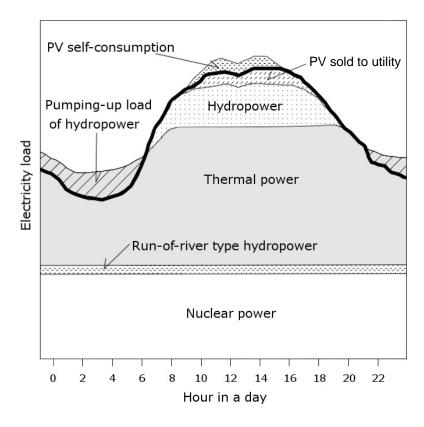


Fig. 1.1 Electric power supply from various power sources over the course of a typical sunny day. The bold line indicates the intra-daily load curve. Note that nuclear power is not included due to the forced shutdown of nuclear power plants following the Great East Japan Earthquake of 2011 at the time of writing.

## 1.2 Objectives

To solve the above-mentioned problems, our goal is to develop a modeling framework that can be used for both forecasts and analysis on the load including PV power. Utilities require analytical frameworks that can be used to explain the physical or economic rationales behind load changes or inaccurate forecasts to management or system supervisory organizations, such as the Organization for the Cross-regional Coordination of Transmission Operators, Japan. At the same time, the load forecasting should be accurate enough that it can be used

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Imbalance penalties of 53.21 ¥/kWh (summer), 47.03 ¥/kWh (other seasons), and 28.84 ¥/kWh (at night) ¥/kWh for forecasting errors greater than 3%, and 15.44 ¥/kWh for forecasting errors within 3%. (http://www.tepco.co.jp/corporateinfo/provide/engineering/wsc/yakkan2604-j.pdf)

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in daily operations. Thus far, different methods have been used for each purpose, since in most cases, they are incompatible. A typical load structural analysis is performed by estimating the electricity consumption based on the penetration of electrical appliances, the response to the weather, the stay-at-home rate, and other economic statistics. The models used for the analysis are more focused on accountability than accuracy.

## 1.3 Outline of the Thesis

In this thesis, we proposed an hourly short-term load forecasting method and an hourly PV physics-based model which was effectively assimilated by monthly PV-purchase data.

The remainder of the thesis is structured as follows.

Chapter 2 describes data sources used for the forecasts of both electricity load and PV power.

Chapter 3 reviews the literature and investigates existing state-of-the-art methods in the forecasting research fields.

Chapter 4 provides the theoretical background for state-space models (SSMs) and ensemble Kalman filter (EnKF), which will be used in the following two chapters.

Chapter 5 illustrates methods for the load forecasting and provides performance evaluation in comparison with the existing state-of-the-art methods. Our aim is to develop SSMs with enough load forecasting accuracy to ensure that the accountability assigned by the load analysis is correct. Compared with the current state-of-the-art methods, the proposed method significantly improves the forecasting accuracy. For load structural analysis, weather-response indicators which are needed for official reports and require additional analyses (e.g., simple regression analysis) in existing methods are directly estimated in our method; this was not discussed in any of the studies that we reviewed.

Chapter 6 illustrates methods for the PV power forecasting and provides a performance evaluation as well. The proposed PV method solved the severe bias problem by drastically reducing forecasting bias. Moreover, although the proposed model is simple, it outperformed the results of a benchmark model currently in operational use. PV system parameters such as the coefficient and the factor of PV conversion can be directly estimated using the proposed method.

The final chapter provides a summary and the conclusions of the thesis. We have successfully developed a unique modeling framework that can be used for load forecasting and analysis, and thus our goal has been achieved.

## Chapter 2

## **Data Sources**

## 2.1 Electricity Load

An electricity load model was developed using hourly load data available from the Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO), which covers metropolitan Tokyo and the surrounding area. Load data are downloadable in the CSV (comma-separated values) file format from the TEPCO website. Figure 2.1 shows the sources of electric power supplied over the course of a typical day. The thick black line shows the target load, which is also known as the *intradaily load curve*. The electricity demand in the service area includes self-consumption of photovoltaic (PV) power; this appears at the top of the curve. Note that TEPCO's actual load includes the pumping-up load of hydropower. The load shows an overall trend, as well as intra-weekly and intra-daily periodic variations. These features can be seen in Fig. 2.2: the load decreases at night and increases during the day; a small dip usually occurs around lunch time (i.e., between 12:00 and 13:00); and there are marked drops on weekends (Sa and Su).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>TEPCO Electricity Forecast: http://www.tepco.co.jp/en/forecast/html/index-e.html

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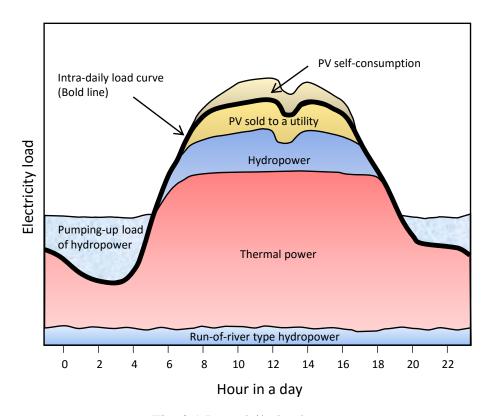


Fig. 2.1 Intra-daily load curve.

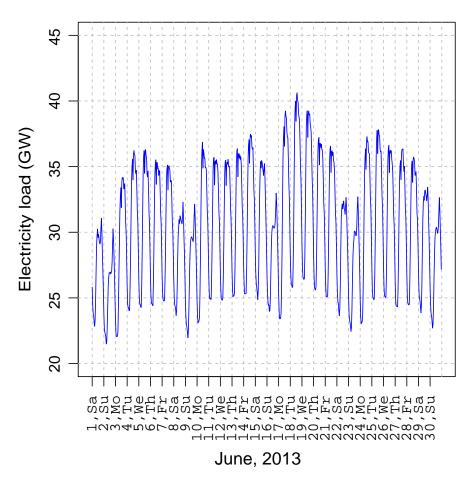


Fig. 2.2 Intra-daily load curve for June 2013

## 2.2 Photovoltaic (PV) Power

The following data were used for the PV power forecast in Chapter 6. For confidentiality reasons, in the following figures, we will use sequential numbers rather than real time stamps for PV data.

#### 2.2.1 PV Purchase Volume

There are two types of PV-supplier categorized by capacity: capacity less than 10 kW (type I), and 10 kW or above (type II). Type-I suppliers can sell only excess power which equals to the total generated power less self-consumption. On the other hand, type-II suppliers can sell the whole generated power. Figure 2.3 shows PV purchase volume of both suppliers. The PV purchase volume from the type-II supplier has increased at by far faster pace than that from the type-I supplier.

## 2.2.2 Installed PV Capacity

We used historical records of installed PV capacity of each type in the utility service area. These records are routinely reported to utility companies every month. The installed PV capacities of both suppliers are plotted in Fig. 2.4. The data can be downloaded in CSV file format from the Agency for Natural Resources and Energy. <sup>2</sup>

#### Area Rate of Installed PV Capacity by Individual Supplier

The target PV power for forecasting is an aggregation of large numbers of PV systems spread over the utility service area. Figures 2.5 and 2.6 show the area rates of installed PV capacity of type-I and -II suppliers, respectively. The two supplier types have very different installation patterns. The majority of type-I suppliers are households. As such, population-dense areas such as Tokyo largely have type-I suppliers. In contrast, type-II suppliers are primarily PV firms. Therefore, suburban areas have mostly type-II suppliers. This suggests that separate estimation of PV power depending on supplier type be a reasonable strategy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://www.fit.go.jp/statistics/public\_sp.html

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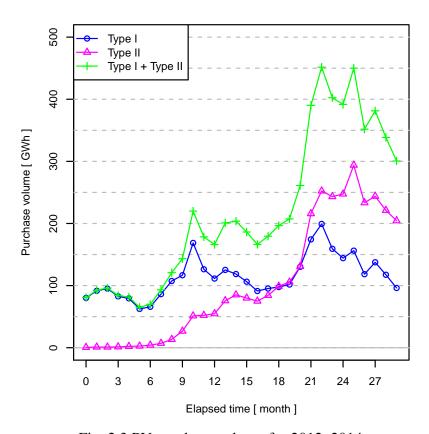


Fig. 2.3 PV purchase volume for 2012–2014

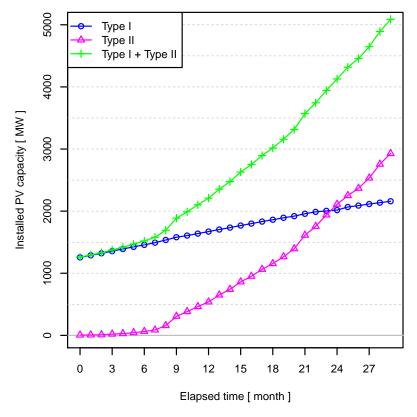


Fig. 2.4 Installed PV capacities of type I and type II suppliers.

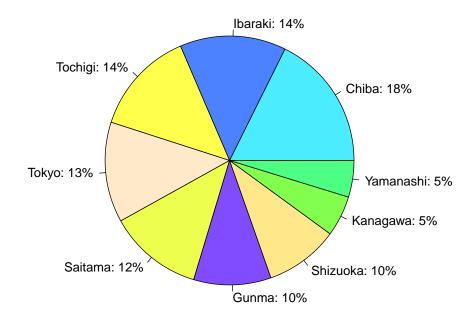


Fig. 2.5 Installed PV capacity rates for type-I suppliers by prefecture in 2014.

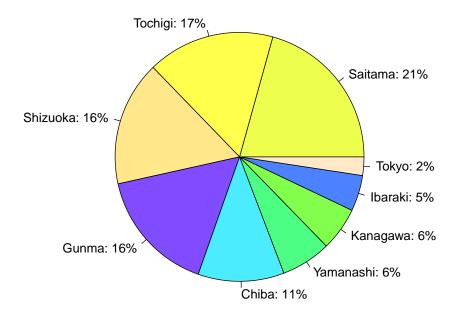


Fig. 2.6 Installed PV capacity rates for type-II suppliers by prefecture in 2014.

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## 2.3 Weather and Calendar Information

For model fitting and evaluation, we used weather observations obtained from the website<sup>3</sup> of the Japan Meteorology Agency. Calendar information (such as day of the week and holidays) was also used. There are nine geographically separated observatories located in the utility service area as shown in Fig. 2.7. From the observatories, every 30 minutes,<sup>4</sup> the following observations were available for our study:

- Air temperature [°C]
- Relative humidity [%]
- Global solar radiation [MJ/(m<sup>2</sup>h)] or [W/m<sup>2</sup>]
- Wind speed [m/s]

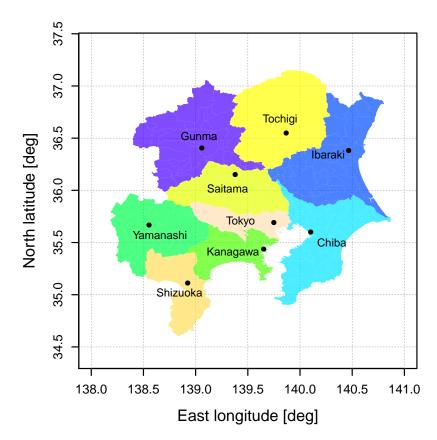


Fig. 2.7 Weather observatories in the utility service area. With a prefecture name, each dot (•) shows a geographic location of a observatory.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Japan Meteorological Agency, *Past observation data*: http://www.data.jma.go.jp/obd/stats/etrn/index.php

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>At the time of this study, only hourly observations were provided.

# Chapter 3

## Literature Review

## 3.1 Electricity Load Forecasting

Internationally, there have been hundreds of studies about load forecasting, and these have considered the use of many different statistical techniques. Although it is impractical to list all of these techniques here, the following ones are those that are commonly used. The most widely used technique for load forecasting is multiple liner regression (MLR) [10], although machine learning techniques have gained in popularity in recent years; examples include fuzzy inference [58], support vector machines [44], and particle swarm optimization [6]. Singular value decomposition has been used for robust estimations and dimension reduction [38], and the Gaussian process has been used for nonlinear modeling [46]. A large number of neural-network-based methods [e.g., 24] have been studied; their main purpose is to handle nonlinearity in a system. State-space models (SSMs) and the Box-Jenkins autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) [e.g., 49] have been used since the early days of load-forecasting research.

For load analysis, structural time-series models are commonly used, and these are often used to forecast yearly growth in the load [e.g., 72]. However, recent methods use both weather and economic indicators in an attempt to create a forecast that is seamless from the short term to the long term [56]. In this study, we consider a forecasting horizon of one week, which is considered to be short-term load forecasting. We have thoroughly reviewed all the papers that propose methods for forecasts of up to several weeks. Harvey and Koopman [27] used time-varying splines to model periodic changes in the load, and they showed the necessity of incorporating an evolutionary process in a forecasting model. Taylor [61] developed a scenario-based forecasting model that used 51 different weather

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ensemble members. Several exponential smoothing techniques using SSMs have been developed [e.g., 62]. SSMs have been developed for the national load in France [14] and the regional load in the UK [52], and in Section 5.3.3, we use these results to evaluate the accuracy of our SSMs. We note that one of the advantages of SSMs is that individually created models (submodels or components) can easily be incorporated into a single model; for example, a nonlinear model for temperature effects can be easily incorporated as a part of the load model. Another advantage is that SSMs can be updated recursively, and this is appropriate for modeling the natural evolution mechanism of the load components. SSMs have a long history and have been extensively studied; however, thus far, only a few attempts have been made to use them to model nonlinearity. For flexible nonlinear modeling, we use the ensemble Kalman filter (EnKF) as the algorithm for estimating the SSMs. Generally speaking, forecasts obtained from SSMs tends to be less accurate than those produced by the black-box methods that are used by many utilities. The accuracy of our method was improved by using a shrinkage method, the least absolute shrinkage and selection operator (Lasso) [67], and MLR. In any method, when increasing the forecasting accuracy and stability, it is important to select the proper explanatory variables; for example, using correlation analysis to select input variables has been shown to increase forecasting accuracy [24]. We used the Lasso to select the variables, since it has the additional advantage of reducing overfitting, as compared with the step-wise methods that are commonly used in practice.

## 3.2 Photovoltaic Power Forecasting

A thorough review of existing state-of-the-art PV forecasting methods revealed that the problem mentioned in Section 1.1.2. has not yet been considered in past research. Since the history of PV forecasting research is very short compared with that of load forecasting, PV forecasting techniques are less diverse.

In the following, we present an overview of PV forecasting technology. Satellite images with cloud motion are commonly used for short-term (within several hours) forecasting [12], whereas physics-based models are usually used for longer-term (more than six hours) forecasting. Most PV forecasting techniques preliminarily predict solar irradiance using widely available numerical weather prediction (NWP) [37]. For forecasting periods of more than one year, the classical seasonal decomposition model is used to decompose time series data into seasonal components, trend components, and irregular components [55]. As an example, the Kalman filter has been successfully used to remove the bias of solar irradiance

forecasts [7].

We herein focus on short-term forecasting, which is our primary interest. Artificial intelligence (AI) methods, such as ANNs, have been most commonly used in hourly PV forecasting. For example, several ANNs with distinct topologies have been used for PV forecasting, and two solar modules produced by major manufacturers have been tested [47]. A recurrent neural network has been successfully applied to several hour-ahead PV power forecasting techniques [75]. For other AI methods, hybrid hourly forecasting using a genetic algorithm to combine ARIMA, and three artificial intelligence methods have been proposed [76]. The hybrid model outperformed these four models, and solar radiation and empirical PV hourly power data are the only input data for the model. Note that some studies have used actual hourly PV power data as training data. However, these studies considered only a small amount of aggregated power from experimental residential areas or from a few PV firms, which is in contrast to the present study, which considers the total PV power for an entire utility service area.

Forecasting methods that do not require knowledge of PV systems are gaining in popularity. The hourly quantile regression model is used for one-day-ahead forecasting [2]. Forecasting techniques that do not consider solar radiation have been accessed, and ANNs have been demonstrated to outperform ARIMA and k-nearest-neighbors algorithms [53]. A reforecasting technique to remove systematic bias has also been developed [11]. Feature extraction from solar irradiance and weather pattern recognition [73] and regularized linear/nonlinear models [1] have also been developed.

Two basic types of strategies are usually used for PV forecasting of total power: bottom-up strategies, which aggregate locally forecasted PV power generation, and direct strategies, which directly forecast the total PV power generation [77]. The mean absolute error (MAE) has been reported to be reduced by more than 3% by using a bottom-up strategy, as compared to a direct strategy. In addition to this accuracy advantage, only the bottom-up strategy is capable of providing precise information regarding local PV power, which would contribute to solving over-voltage problems that occur in power distribution networks. Therefore, we adopted a bottom-up strategy; that is, we first forecast local PV power generation, followed by the total PV power.

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## 3.3 Ensemble Methods

Most load forecasts that use structured time series models [e.g., 52] are based on the Kalman filter (KF) [36], though the KF has a high computational cost and is not capable of implementing nonlinear system dynamics [68]. To handle nonlinear modeling, the extended KF was developed; however, it also has a high computational cost when approximating the error covariance. Evensen (initial work [19], comprehensive work [20]) developed the EnKF, which overcomes both problems by using an ensemble representation for the error covariance. The EnKF adopts a Monte Carlo approximation to the KF, and the result is that the sample mean and variance-covariance matrix are asymptotically the same as those of the KF. The EnKF consists of a linear observation model with Gaussian noise and a linear or nonlinear system model with any type of noise distribution. The nonlinear formulation affords much greater flexibility than does the KF, which can handle only linear models. In addition, the ensemble approximation technique drastically reduces the computational cost, and this allows us to assimilate data into systems that are too large for previous methods. Since the revolutionary success of Evensen, the EnKF as well as the four-dimensional variational data-assimilation algorithm (4D-Var) have become the most widely used algorithms for the assimilation of meteorological or oceanographic data. For example, the EnKF has been successfully applied to forecasting ozone concentrations [16], assimilating snow [45] and land surface temperature [23], and building a coupled atmosphere-ocean model [70]. Although the electricity load has a very close relationship with meteorological phenomena, studies using either the EnKF or the 4D-Var have been strangely neglected by scientists. We apply the EnKF to load forecasting and demonstrate its effectiveness for the first time. Using EnKF, which can deal with a nonlinear model, it becomes possible to easily enhance an elaborate physics-based model by incorporating observed data. Moreover, it is very easy to add uncertainty information, such as quantiles, to the point estimate, since ensemble members obtained by EnKF represent a prediction distribution. Most existing forecasting methods provide only point estimates [18]. For unit commitment for thermal plants, utilities use the forecasted load curve, which fluctuates with the PV power. Therefore, interval estimation of the load is more useful than point estimates for system operators.

There are several variants of the EnKF, including the EnKF with perturbed observations (EnKF/PO), which was the first to be introduced and is widely used in many practical applications. However, it is known that perturbed observations increase the forecasting error to some extent. To reduce this error, the ensemble square-root filter (EnSRF) filter was developed [74]; the EnSRF does not require perturbed observations. The ensemble transform

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KF (ETKF) [9] and the ensemble adjustment KF (EAKF) [4] are also similar square-root filters. Particle filter or Sequential Monte Carlo [41] and [25] is another promising ensemble technique which no longer requires linearity assumption for both the observation model and the system model. In the present study, we use the EnSRF with Andrews' matrix formulation [5], since it is easily implemented and performs better than others. We will use the term "EnKF" to refer to the EnSRF in this thesis. Major data-assimilation methods are summarized in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1 Summary table of the major data-assimilation methods

| Method                                   | Acronym | Citation   | [Mode] | Model type a | Noise type b | type b | Explanation $^{c}$                                     |
|------------------------------------------|---------|------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|                                          |         |            | Obs.   | Sys.         | Obs.         | Sys.   |                                                        |
| Kalman Filter                            | KF      | [36]       | Г      | П            | ŋ            | ŋ      | · The most fundamental algorithm for data-assimilation |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Computationally expensive                            |
| Square-Root Filter                       | SRF     | [65], [8]  | Г      | П            | ŋ            | ŋ      | · KF with decomposed state-covariance matrix           |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Robust for round-off error                           |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Computationally expensive                            |
| Extended KF                              | EKF     | [60], [48] | NF     | NF           | ŋ            | Ü      | · KF with Taylor approximation of a nonlinear model    |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Computationally expensive                            |
| Ensemble KF                              | EnKF/PO | [19], [20] | L      | NL           | ŋ            | NG     | · Ensemble approach; PO method                         |
| with Perturbed Observations              |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Not robust for sampling error                        |
| Ensemble SRF                             | EnSRF   | [74]       | Г      | N            | ŋ            | NG     | · Ensemble approach; SRF(F)-based method               |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Easy implementation                                  |
| Ensemble KF                              | EnKF/SR | [21]       | П      | N            | ŋ            | NG     | · Ensemble approach; SRF(B)-based method               |
| with Square-Root Algorithm               |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Easy implementation                                  |
| Ensemble Adjustment KF                   | EAKF    | [4]        | Г      | N            | ŋ            | NG     | · Ensemble approach; SRF(F)-based method               |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Computational advantage when $N_m > N_{kx}$          |
| Ensemble Transform KF                    | ETKF    | [6]        | Γ      | NF           | G            | NG     | · Ensemble approach; SRF(B)-based method               |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Computational advantage when $N_m < N_{kx}$          |
| Particle Filter                          | PF      | [42], [25] | N      | N            | NG           | NG     | · Ensemble approach                                    |
|                                          |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Easy implementation; Similarity to genetic algorithm |
| Four-Dimensional Variational             | 4D-Var  | [78]       | NF     | NF           | NG           | NG     | · Variational approach                                 |
| Data-Assimilation                        |         |            |        |              |              |        | · Difficult implementation                             |
| a I · I inear model MI · Nonlinear model | [0]     |            |        |              |              |        |                                                        |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>L: Linear model, NL: Nonlinear model <sup>b</sup>G: Gaussian noise, NG: Non-Gaussian noise, NG: Non-Gaussian noise <sup>c</sup>F: Forward-multiplication type, B: Backward-multiplication type,  $N_{kx}$ : Number of state variables,  $N_m$ : Number of ensemble members

# Chapter 4

# **Theoretical Background**

## 4.1 State-Space Models

Models for a time series or a controlling system in the form of Eqs. 4.1 and 4.2 are called state-space models (SSMs) [28]. The state process is given by Eq. 4.1, and the observation process is given by Eq. 4.2. Estimates can be obtained as a sum of the separate components in a linear observation model, and thus, it is easy to modify the model. Another advantage of using SSMs is that we can use a recursive algorithm such as the KF or its variants to estimate the states. A long-term (more than one step) forecast can be obtained by repeating a one-step-ahead prediction using Eqs. 4.1 and 4.2. These equations are as follows:

$$\mathbf{x}_t = f_t(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{v}_t) \,, \tag{4.1}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = g_t(\mathbf{H}_t, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{w}_t) , \qquad (4.2)$$

where  $\mathbf{x}_t$  is the state vector,  $\mathbf{y}_t$  is the observation vector,  $\mathbf{H}_t$  is the observation matrix,  $\mathbf{w}_t$  is the observation noise vector,  $\mathbf{v}_t$  is the system noise vector,  $f_t(\cdot)$  is the system model, and  $g_t(\cdot)$  is the observation model.

## 4.2 Ensemble Filtering Methods for Data Assimilation

#### **4.2.1** Common Notations

Notations which are commonly used in the following subsections are explained here. First, by Eq. 4.3, we define the predicted state vector of size  $N_{kx}$  of the  $i^{th}$  ensemble member. Likewise, the filtered state vector by Eq. 4.4. Each entry is a realization drawn from the

corresponding distribution (i.e., the prediction distribution or the filter distribution).

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(i)} := \left[\hat{x}_1^{(i)}, \cdots, \hat{x}_{N_{k_x}}^{(i)}\right]' \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{k_x} \times 1}, \tag{4.3}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(i)} := \left[ x_1^{(i)}, \cdots, x_{N_{kx}}^{(i)} \right]' \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times 1} . \tag{4.4}$$

Using  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(i)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ , by Eq. 4.5, we define the predicted state matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$  with  $N_m$  state vectors. Likewise, the filtered state matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  by Eq. 4.6.

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}} := \left[\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(1)}, \cdots, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(N_m)}\right] \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m}, \tag{4.5}$$

$$\mathbf{X} := \left[ \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \cdots, \mathbf{x}^{(N_m)} \right] \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} . \tag{4.6}$$

Secondly, we define the mean matrix and the deviation matrix:

$$\underline{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} := \hat{\mathbf{X}} \mathbb{1}/N_m \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.7)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} := \mathbf{X} \mathbb{1}/N_m \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.8)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{D}} := \hat{\mathbf{X}} - \hat{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.9)$$

where  $\mathbb{1} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_m \times N_m}$  is the matrix in which all elements are unity. Note that the elements of each row of  $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$  have the same value (i.e., the ensemble mean).

Thirdly, using the observation matrix  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_{kx}}$ , the prediction matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$  and its mean matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$  are defined by the following equations:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{X}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_m} , \qquad (4.10)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{X}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_m} . \tag{4.11}$$

Finally, we define  $\tilde{\mathbf{R}} := (N_m - 1)\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_y}$  for efficient matrix operations.

In the following subsections, we will chronologically explain the procedures for various types of ensemble filtering methods, based on Ueno's formulations [69] which are modified for efficient matrix operations.

## 4.2.2 Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations (EnKF/PO)

The first ensemble Kalman filtering algorithm was introduced by Evensen [19][20]. Using the same notations as defined previously, EnKF/PO is performed in the following procedure:

$$\mathbf{K} = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}' \left(\mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}' + \tilde{\mathbf{R}}\right)^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_y}, \tag{4.12}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \hat{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{K} \left( \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{W} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}} \right) \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.13)$$

where **K** is a Kalman gain matrix.  $\mathbf{W} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{R}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_m}$  is an observation noise matrix.

#### **4.2.3** Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter (EAKF)

Anderson developed an EnKF without perturbed observations, which significantly outperformed 4D-Var and EnKF/PO for the first time [4]. Calculation performance increases when compact singular value decomposition is possible. EAKF is categorized as a square-root filter of the forward-multiplication type. It is computationally advantageous when  $N_m > N_{kx}$ . Using the same notations as defined previously, EAKF is performed in the following procedure. With Eq. 4.14, compact singular value decomposition of RHS is performed. Also, with Eq. 4.15, eigendecomposition of RHS is performed.

$$\mathbf{UGV}' = \hat{\mathbf{D}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} \,, \tag{4.14}$$

$$\mathbf{ZBZ}' = (\mathbf{HUG})'\tilde{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}\mathbf{HUG}$$
  $\in \mathbb{R}^{N_r \times N_r}$ , (4.15)

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{UGZ}(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{B})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}' (\mathbf{HUG})' \tilde{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_y} , \qquad (4.16)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underline{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} + \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}) \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.17)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{UGZ}(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{B})^{-1/2} \mathbf{G}^{+} \mathbf{U}' \hat{\mathbf{D}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m}, \qquad (4.18)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \underline{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{D} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.19)$$

where **U** and **V** are unitary matrices with left- and right-singular vectors for the corresponding singular values respectively.  $\mathbf{G}^+$  is a Moor-Penrose pseudoinverse with an effective rank of  $N_r \leq \min(N_{kx}, N_m)$ . **Z** is an orthogonal matrix whose i<sup>th</sup> column is the i<sup>th</sup> eigenvector of RHS. **B** is a diagonal matrix whose entries are the eigenvalues of RHS.

## **4.2.4** Ensemble Square-Root Filter (EnSRF)

Similar to EAKF, but with a much simpler implementation, Whitaker also developed an EnKF without perturbed observations [74]. EnSRF is categorized as a square-root filter of the forward-multiplication type. Using the same notations as defined previously, EnSRF is performed in the following procedure. With each Eq. 4.20 and 4.21, Cholesky decomposi-

(4.26)

tion of RHS is performed.

$$\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}' = \tilde{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}' \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_y} , \qquad (4.20)$$

$$\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}' = \tilde{\mathbf{R}} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_y} , \qquad (4.21)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_m = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{U}')^{-1}\mathbf{U}^{-1} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_y} , \qquad (4.22)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_d = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{U}')^{-1} + (\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{V})^{-1} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_y} , \qquad (4.23)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \hat{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{K}_m(\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}) \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.24)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_d \mathbf{H})\hat{\mathbf{D}} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.25)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{D} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.26)$$

where **U** and **V** are upper triangular matrices with positive diagonal real entries, respectively.  $\mathbf{K}_m$  and  $\mathbf{K}_d$  are Kalman gains for the means and the deviations, respectively.

#### **Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm (EnKF/SR)** 4.2.5

Evensen developed another EnKF that is also based on the square-root filtering scheme of the backward-multiplication type [21]. It is demonstrated that EnKF/SR effectively overcomes the slow convergence of EnKF/PO, which is due to sampling errors introduced by perturbed observations, and a significant reduction in computing time has been achieved. Using the same notations as defined previously, EnKF/SR is performed in the following procedure. With Eq. 4.27, eigendecomposition of RHS is performed. Also, with Eq. 4.28, singular-value decomposition of RHS is performed.

$$\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Z}' = \tilde{\mathbf{R}} + \hat{\mathbf{Y}}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}' \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_y} , \qquad (4.27)$$

$$\mathbf{U}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{V}' = \mathbf{G}^{-1/2}\mathbf{Z}'\hat{\mathbf{Y}} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_y \times N_m} , \qquad (4.28)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_m = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{U}')^{-1}\mathbf{U}^{-1} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_y} , \qquad (4.29)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underline{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} + \mathbf{K}_m(\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}) \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.30)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\mathbf{V}\sqrt{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{G}'\mathbf{G}}\mathbf{V}' \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.31)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{D} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.32)$$

where  $\mathbf{Z}$  is an orthogonal matrix whose  $i^{th}$  column is the  $i^{th}$  eigenvector of RHS.  $\mathbf{B}$  is a diagonal matrix whose entries are the eigenvalues of RHS. U and V are unitary matrices with left- and right-singular vectors for the corresponding singular values, respectively.

#### 4.2.6 Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (ETKF)

Bishop developed an EnKF that is based on the square-root filtering algorithm, of backward-multiplication type [9]. It is computationally advantageous when  $N_m < N_{kx}$ . Using the same notations as defined previously, the ETKF is performed in the following procedure. In Eq. 4.33, eigendecomposition of RHS is performed.

$$\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Z}' = \mathbf{I} + (\mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{D}})'\tilde{\mathbf{R}}^{-1}\mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{D}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_m \times N_m}, \qquad (4.33)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{m} = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{Z}'(\mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{D}})'\tilde{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{y} \times N_{m}}, \qquad (4.34)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underline{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} + \mathbf{K}_m (\mathbf{Y} - \underline{\hat{\mathbf{Y}}}) \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.35)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \hat{\mathbf{D}}\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{B}^{-1/2}\mathbf{Z}' \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.36)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{D} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} \,, \tag{4.37}$$

where  $\mathbf{Z}$  is an orthogonal matrix whose  $i^{th}$  column is the  $i^{th}$  eigenvector of RHS.  $\mathbf{B}$  is a diagonal matrix whose entries are the eigenvalues of RHS.

#### **4.2.7** Particle Filter (PF)

Particle filters or Sequential Monte Carlo methods were introduced by Kitagawa [41] and Gordon *et al.*[25] in the same year. Using the same notations as defined previously, PF is performed in the following procedure. Several types of resampling techniques have been developed intended to prevent degeneration of particles. Douc compared several resampling techniques for PF [15]. A low variance resampling technique [66] is used for the following procedure since it is computationally simple  $(O(N_m))$  for sampling  $N_m$  particles) and its superior performance was reported.

For  $i = 1,...,N_m$ , the  $i^{th}$  particle weight or likelihood  $w^{(i)}$  is calculated by Eq. 4.38, then it is normalized to  $\tilde{w}^{(i)}$  by Eq. 4.39.

$$w^{(i)} = (2\pi)^{-N_y/2} |\mathbf{R}|^{-1/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{Y}^{(i)} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}^{(i)}\right)' \mathbf{R}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{Y}^{(i)} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}^{(i)}\right)\right] \in \mathbb{R} , \qquad (4.38)$$

$$\tilde{w}^{(i)} = \frac{w^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_m} w^{(j)}} \in \mathbb{R} , \qquad (4.39)$$

Resample particle  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{(i)} \in \hat{\mathbf{X}}$  with the probability  $\tilde{w}^{(i)}$ , with replacement, to obtain  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbf{X}$ .

## 4.2.8 EnSRF for Univariate Time Series Model

In the following chapters, we illustrate the filtering procedure of the EnSRF for electricity load forecasting, which was specially modified for fast processing of a univariate time series. Although the EnKF itself is an algorithm, in the following sections, we will use the term EnKF in a broader context to refer to the use of SSMs with this EnSRF.

$$\mathbf{m} := \hat{\mathbf{D}}\hat{\mathbf{D}}'\mathbf{H}' \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_m \times 1} , \qquad (4.40)$$

$$u := \sqrt{\mathbf{Hm} + \tilde{\mathbf{R}}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R} , \qquad (4.41)$$

$$v := \sqrt{\tilde{\mathbf{R}}} \qquad \qquad \in \mathbb{R} , \qquad (4.42)$$

$$\mathbf{k}_m = \frac{\mathbf{m}}{u^2} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_m \times 1} , \qquad (4.43)$$

$$\mathbf{k}_d = \frac{\mathbf{m}}{u(u+v)} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_m \times 1} , \qquad (4.44)$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = \underline{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} - \mathbf{k}_m (\hat{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{Y}) \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.45)$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \hat{\mathbf{D}} - \mathbf{k}_d \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{D}} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} , \qquad (4.46)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \underline{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{D} \qquad \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{kx} \times N_m} . \tag{4.47}$$

## 4.3 Estimating Variance of Noise

For the electricity load model that is a univariate time series model, our procedure for estimating the variance of the noise was as follows. First, we assumed the observation noise was  $\{W_t\} \sim \text{i.i.d. } \mathcal{N}(0, R)$ , where R is the variance of the observation noise, and we assumed the  $i^{th}$  system noise was  $\{v_t^{(i)}\} \sim \text{i.i.d. } \mathcal{N}(0, R/L_i)$ , where the  $L_i$  are the trade-off parameters. A model with this setup is called a linear Gaussian state-space model. The variances of the system noises were initialized to approximately zero; this corresponds to setting the trade-off parameters L large enough that the components are stable. Once these variances were fixed, the variance R of the observation noise R was estimated; it was based on the maximum-likelihood estimation whose likelihood function is shown in Eq. 4.48. The estimate R was obtained from a grid search with Eq. 4.49 [42, Eq. 6.45]. After that, we slightly adjusted the variance  $R/L_i$  of the system noise  $R/L_i$  in order to ensure a more accurate forecast over an evaluation term. These equations are as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_{t}(R) := \frac{1}{N_{m}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{m}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi R}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_{i,t|t-1} - y_{t})^{2}}{2R}\right), \tag{4.48}$$

$$\hat{R} = \arg\max_{R} \sum_{t=1}^{N_t} \log \mathcal{L}_t(R) , \qquad (4.49)$$

where  $y_t$  is the load,  $y_{i,t|t-1}$  is the one-step-ahead load predicted by the  $i^{th}$  ensemble member,  $N_m$  is the ensemble size, and  $N_t$  is the number of time steps predicted.

## 4.4 Constraints for Component

There are many occasions where constraints (upper and lower limits) for components are required, especially when models are designed based on physics. In order to obtain the constrained components, a sigmoid function (Fig. 4.1) is commonly used [35]. A definition of the function is given by Eq. 4.50. It maps  $\eta \in \mathbb{R} : -\infty < \eta < +\infty$  onto  $\xi \in \mathbb{R} : 0 < \xi < 1$ . In the recursive calculation of the EnKF, provided that the constraint of a coefficient is  $0 < \xi < 1$ , we use a state variable  $\eta$  whose relationship with  $\xi$  is described as Eq. 4.51.

$$\xi = S(\eta) := \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\eta)},$$
 (4.50)

$$\eta = S^{-1}(S(\eta)) = \log \frac{S(\eta)}{1 - S(\eta)} = \log \frac{\xi}{1 - \xi}.$$
(4.51)

We modified the above formula to a more generic form with the constraint  $a < \xi < b$   $(a, b \in \mathbb{R})$ , where  $\eta : -\infty < \eta < +\infty$  can be mapped onto  $\xi$  by applying one of the following three cases:

(i)  $a < \xi < b$ 

Define a map function  $T: \eta \mapsto \xi: a < \xi < b$  by Eq. 4.52, then a state variable  $\eta$  can be obtained by Eq. 4.53.

$$\xi = T(\eta) := (b - a)S(\eta) + a = \frac{b + a\exp(-\eta)}{1 + \exp(-\eta)},$$
(4.52)

$$\eta = T^{-1}(T(\eta)) = \log \frac{T(\eta) - a}{b - T(\eta)} = \log \frac{\xi - a}{b - \xi}.$$
 (4.53)

(ii)  $0 < \xi < \infty$ 

Define a map function  $U: \eta \mapsto \xi: 0 < \xi < \infty$  by Eq. 4.54, then a state variable  $\eta$  can be obtained by Eq. 4.55.

$$\xi = U(\eta) := \exp(\eta) , \qquad (4.54)$$

$$\eta = \log(\xi) \ . \tag{4.55}$$

(iii)  $-\infty < \xi < 0$ 

Define a map function  $U': \eta \mapsto \xi: -\infty < \xi < 0$  by Eq. 4.56, then a state variable  $\eta$  can

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be obtained by Eq. 4.57.

$$\xi = U'(\eta) := -\exp(\eta)$$
, (4.56)

$$\eta = \log(-\xi) \ . \tag{4.57}$$

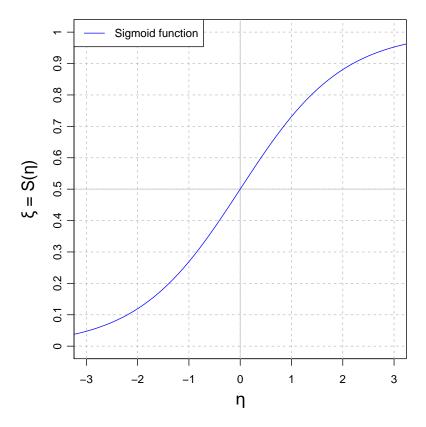


Fig. 4.1 Sigmoid function

## 4.5 Initial Ensembles

In order to capture unexpected structural changes of the load, initial ensemble members representing an initial distribution of a component were generated in such a way that the dispersion of the distribution was as wide as possible.

Based on the procedures explained in the preceding subsection, some components may have their upper and/or lower limits. As an initial distribution of such a constrained component, either the uniform distribution or the truncated normal distribution is supposed to be most suitable among others. In this study, initial ensembles for a constrained component

were generated so that the distribution of the component becomes a uniform distribution (i.e.,  $\mathcal{U}(a,b)$ ).

#### 4.6 Simulation

To better understand the basic properties of structural time series modeling (i.e., SSMs), a numerical simulation using true models is conducted in this section.

The first step of the simulation is to generate a time series for each latent component using a true model. The true model should be as simple as possible without losing intrinsic features of the latent phenomena for modeling. Then, the simulation data, which represent electricity load observations in our case, are obtained by aggregating those components. The next step is to propose models for the latent components and check if those models for the load and the components properly converged to the simulated time series.

The procedure stated above is sometimes referred to as the twin experiment in the data-assimilation context [45]. There are two types of twin experiment: one is the identical-twin experiment which uses the exact same model for both the true model and the proposed; and the other is the fraternal-twin experiment which does not use the exact same model. For flexible modeling intended for electricity load forecasting, we adopted the latter one; that is, the proposed models are different from the true models.

#### 4.6.1 True Models

The observation  $Y_t$  is decomposed into the five latent components:  $TREND_t$ ,  $INWK_t$ ,  $INDAY_t$ ,  $AR_t$ , and an irregular component which is observation noise  $W_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0,2^2)$ , where  $t = 1, 2, \dots, 24 \times 7 \times 4$  [h]. The latent components are explained in detail in the following sections.

$$Y_t = TREND_t + INWK_t + INDAY_t + AR_t + W_t. (4.58)$$

#### **True Trend Component Model**

The true trend component is a straight line with a slope which increases at the rate of 3 [GW/week] and the intercept is 35 [GW], mimicking an increasing trend of load during the spring season in the metropolitan area in Japan.

$$TREND_t = 35 + 3t/(24 \times 7)$$
 (4.59)

#### **True Intra-Weekly Component Model**

The true intra-weekly component is a sinusoidal curve with the amplitude of 4 [GW] and the time period of a week (i.e.,  $24 \times 7$  [h]).

$$INWK_t = 4\sin(2\pi t/(24 \times 7))$$
 (4.60)

#### **True Intra-Daily Component Model**

The true intra-daily component is also a sinusoidal curve with the amplitude of 4 [GW] and the time period of a day (i.e., 24 [h]).

$$INDAY_t = 4\sin(2\pi t/24)$$
. (4.61)

#### **True Autoregressive Component Model**

The true autoregressive component is the second-order autoregressive model, AR(2), whose the first and the second coefficients are  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  respectively. We used  $\phi_2 = -1.0$  which causes a stationary oscillation, and  $\theta = \pi/6$  which is the mediate parameter with the time period of 12 [h](=  $2\pi/\theta$ ). The relation expressed in Eq. 4.63 will be explained in the following section.

$$AR_{t} = \phi_{1} AR_{t-1} + \phi_{2} AR_{t-2} , \qquad (4.62)$$

$$\phi_1 = 2\sqrt{-\phi_2} \cos(\theta) . \tag{4.63}$$

The true models which represent the electricity load structure, explained in the previous subsections, are drawn in Fig. 4.2.

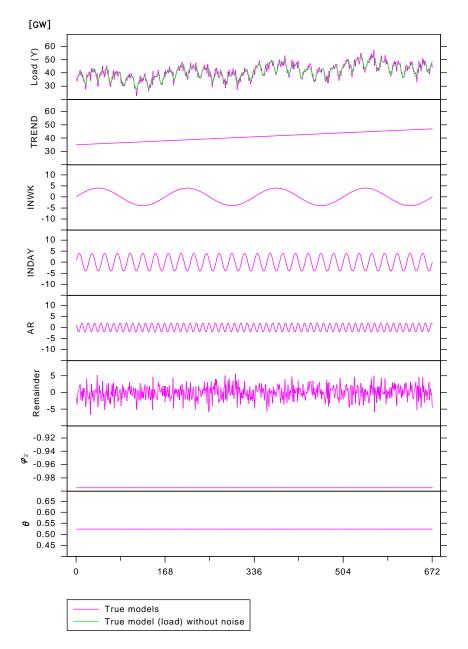


Fig. 4.2 Electricity load structure model (true models). Simulated load contains true component models; that is, the load is the summation of those models. On the top panel, load (magenta) and load without observation noise (green) are drawn. From the second panel,  $TREND_t$ ,  $INWK_t$ ,  $INDAY_t$  and  $AR_t$  are drawn, followed by Remainder which is observation noise, then  $AR_t$  parameters  $\phi_2$  and  $\theta$ .

#### **4.6.2** Proposed Models (Auto-projective Component Models)

#### **System Noise**

Most of the components in the following sections have a term for system noise, which is denoted as  $v_t^{(\cdot)}$ , where the superscript is the identification number of a particular component or parameter. The system noise increases the uncertainty of one-step ahead prediction distributions of each component.

#### **Trend Component Model**

The local trend model was used for modeling a trend of the simulated electricity load since, as in the Holt-Winters method, it ensures that the slopes within a trend are very similar.

$$TREND_t = 2 TREND_{t-1} - TREND_{t-2} + v_t^{(1)}.$$
 (4.64)

#### **Intra-Weekly Component Model**

The seasonal component model of Kitagawa [43] was used for the intra-weekly and intradaily components. It is referred to as the normalized seasonal model [31, Ch. 8], since it requires that the average of the seasonal components is equal to zero:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{167} INW K_{t-i} = v_t^{(2)}. \tag{4.65}$$

#### **Intra-Daily Component Model**

The intra-daily component is defined in the same way as  $INWK_{t-i}$ .

$$\sum_{i=0}^{23} INDAY_{t-i} = v_t^{(3)} . {(4.66)}$$

#### **Autoregressive Component Model**

The autoregressive component, AR(2), given by Eqs. 4.67 and 4.68, represents a periodic variation within 24 hours. With restricted coefficients of AR(2), a trigonometric curve (i.e., sine or cosine curve) can be expressed in the recursive equations. Another role of AR(2) is to increase the accuracy of very short-term (e.g., 1–3 h) forecasts, which is much more common usage. The coefficients of AR(2) ( $\phi_{1,t}$  and  $\phi_{2,t}$ ) must satisfy the stationary condition. In addition, an oscillatory condition is required to model the small fluctuations that often occur when an intra-daily or intra-weekly component is apparently over-fitted. We

used Doménech's method [13] to restrict the parameters of AR(2), and we formulated the conditions ( $\phi_{1,t}^2 + 4\phi_{2,t} < 0 \land \phi_{2,t} > -1$ ) in Eqs. 4.68–4.70, using the intermediate parameter  $\theta_t$ :  $0 < \theta_t < \pi$ . These equations are as follows:

$$AR_{t} = \phi_{1,t} AR_{t-1} + \phi_{2,t} AR_{t-2} + v_{t}^{(4)}, \qquad (4.67)$$

$$\phi_{1,t} = 2\sqrt{-\phi_{2,t}}\cos\theta_t \,, \tag{4.68}$$

$$\log\left(\frac{1+\phi_{2,t}}{-\phi_{2,t}}\right) = \log\left(\frac{1+\phi_{2,t-1}}{-\phi_{2,t-1}}\right) + v_t^{(5)} , \qquad (4.69)$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\theta_t}{\pi - \theta_t}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\theta_{t-1}}{\pi - \theta_{t-1}}\right) + v_t^{(6)} . \tag{4.70}$$

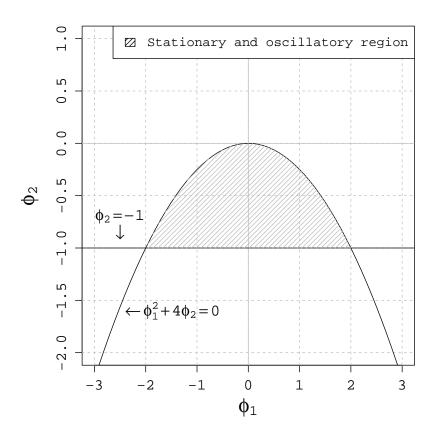


Fig. 4.3 Stationary and oscillatory parameter space of the AR(2) process

#### 4.6.3 Data Assimilation Result of Proposed Models

Figure 4.4 shows the results of data assimilation with EnSRF. Only  $TREND_t$  successfully converged to the true trajectories immediately after one week (168 h). All the components were stabilized; however, small fluctuations were observed in both  $INWK_t$  and  $INDAY_t$ .

This can be explained by smoothness, which is not assumed in these modelings. AR component as well as its two parameters failed to converge to the true trajectories.

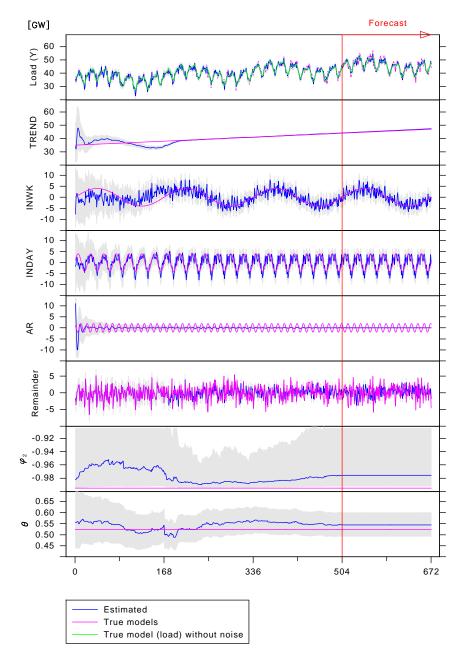


Fig. 4.4 Twin experiment. Simulated load was decomposed by SSMs with EnSRF (ensemble size is 300). The magenta line and the blue line in each panel denote a true component/parameter and an estimated one, respectively. The green line in the top panel shows the true (simulated) load without observation noise. From the fourth week (504 h), one-week forecasts were performed.

## **4.6.4** Enhancement of $INWK_t$ and $INDAY_t$

The two-sided exponentially weighted smoother was used for both seasonal components,  $INWK_t$  and  $INDAY_t$ , to subdue small fluctuations.

#### Smoothing for $INWK_t$

In order to increase the quality of the data assimilation, we applied the two-sided exponentially weighted smoother function  $s(\cdot)$  with argument  $\{x_t \mid t = 0, 1, \dots, N; x_{-j} = x_{N-j}, x_{N+j} = x_j\}$ , which is a periodic time series. It updates each state at each step rather than every 168 steps. The smoothed intra-weekly component is

$$\{INWKS_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{167} = s\left(\{INWK_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{167}\right), \tag{4.71}$$

$$s(x_t) = (\sum_{j=-p}^{p} \lambda^{|j|} x_{t+j}) / \eta$$
, (4.72)

$$\eta = \sum_{j=-p}^{p} \lambda^{\lfloor j \rfloor} \,, \tag{4.73}$$

where the notation  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^N$  signifies  $\{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N\}$ . N = 167 [h] is the time length of one week and p = 6 [h] is a one-side time length for smoothing weights.  $\eta$  is the normalization parameter that ensures the total smoothing weight is equal to 1.0.

#### Smoothing for $INDAY_t$

The intra-daily component model  $INDAY_t$  is also smoothed by the following equation:

$$\{INDAYS_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{23} = s\left(\{INDAY_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{23}\right). \tag{4.74}$$

## 4.6.5 Results (Graphics) of Data Assimilation by Ensemble Approaches

In the following subsections, we will show the results of data assimilation performed by the following ensemble approaches:

- Ensemble Square-Root Filter
- Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm
- Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter
- Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter
- Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations
- Particle Filter

#### **Ensemble Square-Root Filter (EnSRF)**

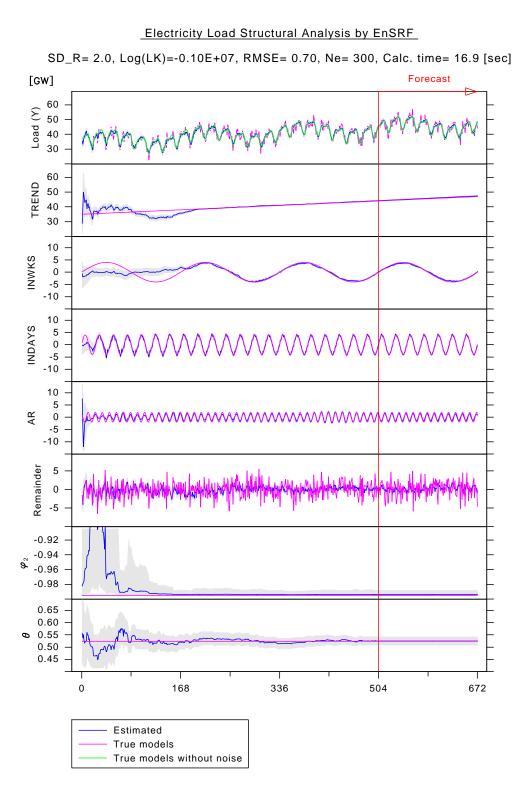


Fig. 4.5 Twin experiment with smoothing of *INWK* and *INDAY*. Simulated load was decomposed by SSMs with EnSRF.  $\phi_2$  and  $\theta$  are parameters of the AR component. The magenta line and the blue line in each panel denote a true component/parameter and an estimated one, respectively. The green line in the top panel shows a true (simulated) load with observation noise.

#### Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm (EnKF/SR)

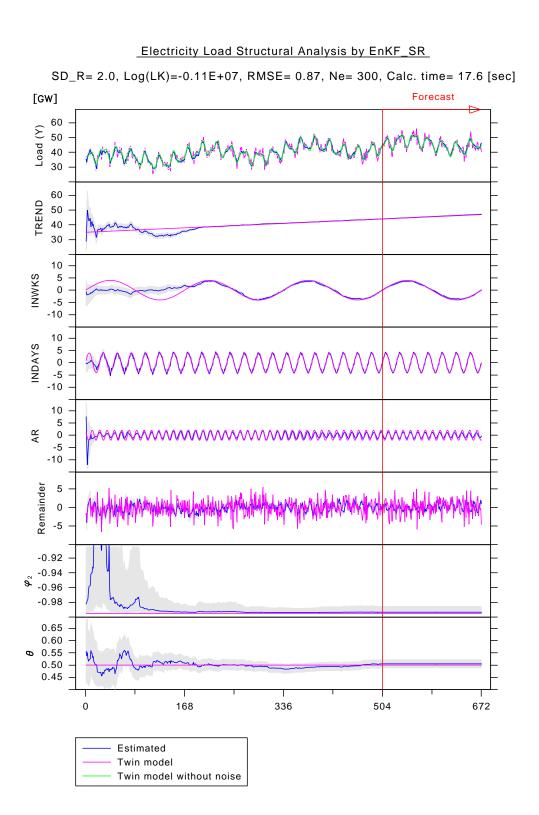


Fig. 4.6 Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm (EnKF/SR)

#### **Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (ETKF)**

#### Electricity Load Structural Analysis by ETKF

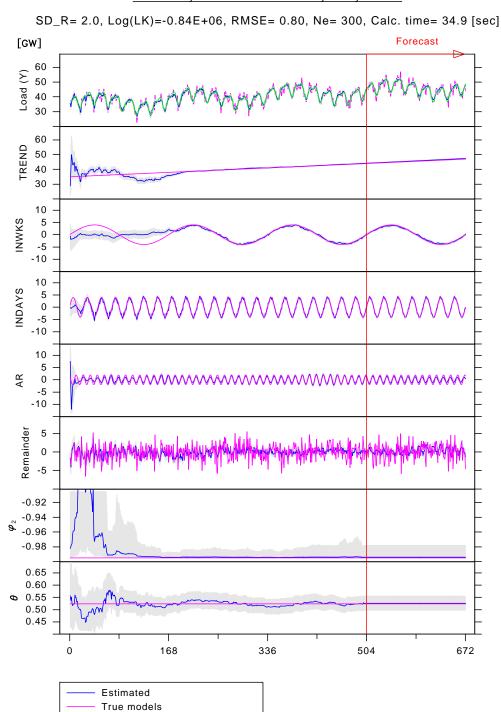


Fig. 4.7 Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (ETKF)

True model (load) without noise

#### **Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter (EAKF)**

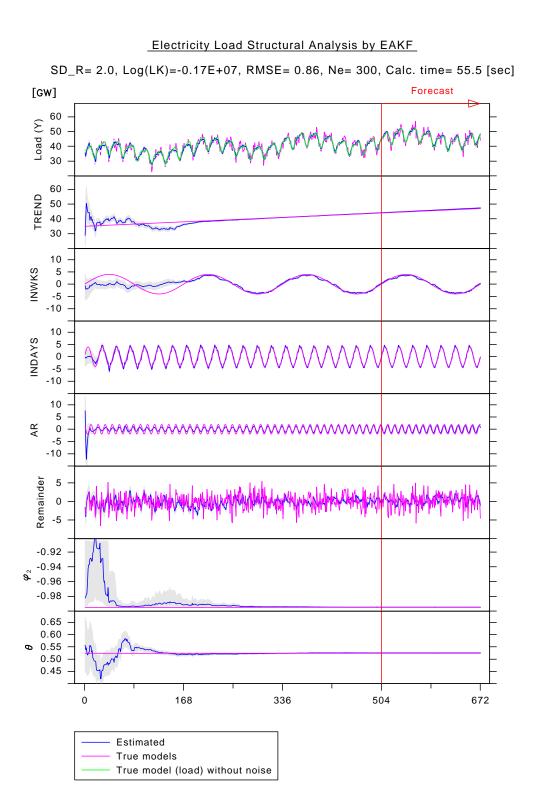


Fig. 4.8 Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter (EAKF)

#### **Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations (EnKF/PO)**

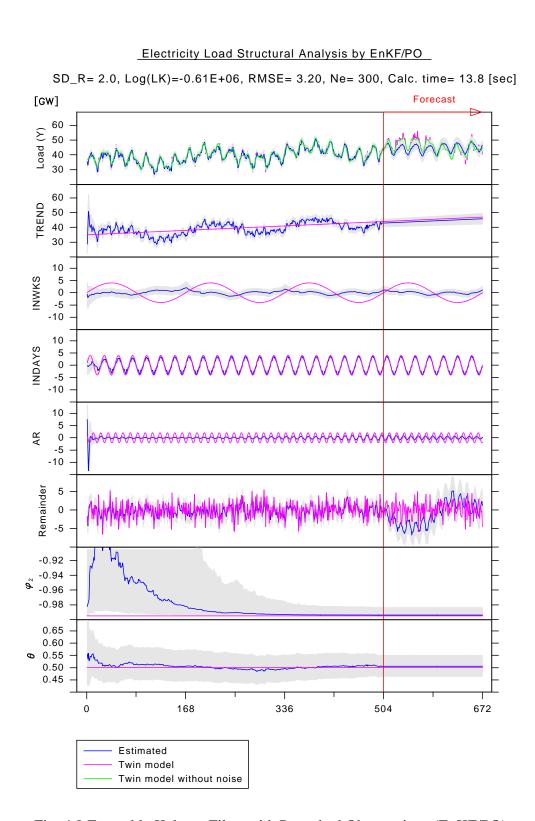


Fig. 4.9 Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations (EnKF/PO)

#### Particle Filter (PF)

#### Electricity Load Structural Analysis by PF

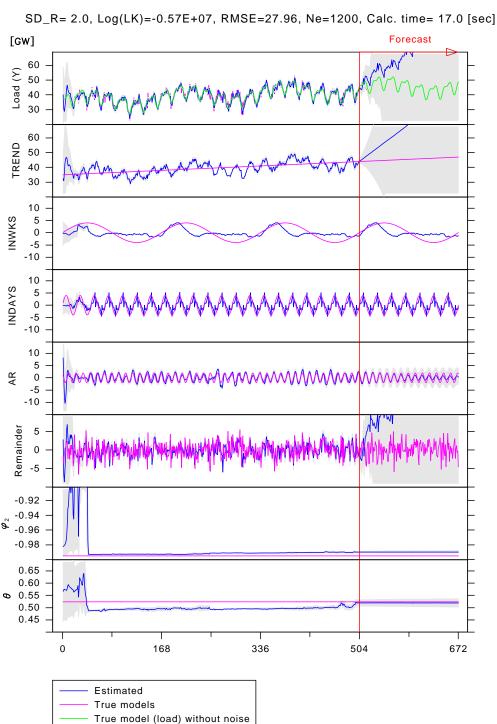


Fig. 4.10 Particle Filter (PF)

## 4.6.6 Summary of Implemented Ensemble Approaches

Those filters below were implemented solely by the author (see Appendix A.1 for Fortran sample code); therefore, it is not necessarily the case that performances of filters implemented by others are exactly the same as the below mentioned.

**Ensemble Square-Root Filter** (Fig. 4.5) proves to be the most promising candidate for data assimilation of electricity load forecasting. Immediately after the first week (168 h), all components successfully converge to the true trajectories and the calculation speed was excellent (16.9 s).

**Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm** (Fig. 4.6) produced very similar results to EnSRF and the calculation speed was also excellent (17.6 s).

**Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter** (Fig. 4.7) produced very similar results to EnSRF and the calculation speed was moderate (34.9 s).

Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter (Fig. 4.8) produced similar results to EnSRF; however, small fluctuations appeared in  $INWKS_t$ . The calculation was very time-consuming (55.5 s).

Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Observations (Fig. 4.9) failed in data assimilation of  $TREND_t$  and  $INWKS_t$ . In addition,  $AR_t$  along with its parameters  $\phi_{2,t}$  and  $\theta_t$  converged very slowly. The calculation speed was the fastest of all (13.8 s).

**Particle Filter** (Fig. 4.10) also failed in data assimilation of most of the components. To avoid a well-known problem inherent to particle filter, the so-called degeneration of the particles, we used ensemble members three times as large as used for other ensemble approaches. The calculation speed was (17.0 s) though this was not a like-for-like comparison to others since the ensemble size was different. To properly assimilate the observations into components, countermeasures such as random particle addition should be implemented in this filter.

From the reasons mentioned above, we selected EnSRF as the filtering method for electricity load forecasting.

#### 4.7 Model Performance Metrics

### 4.7.1 Measurement of Accuracy

The forecasting accuracy was measured in terms of the mean-absolute-error (MAE), the mean-absolute-percentage-error (MAPE) and the root-mean-squared-error (RMSE). We used the standard deviation  $(SD_{\{PE\}})$  of the percentage-error  $(PE_t)$  to express variability of the accuracy. RMSE tend to be similar to MAE; however, RMSE is more focused on large errors. For comparison with a physics-based benchmark model that has the severe bias problem, we used the mean-bias-error (MBE).

In context of load forecasting, MAPE is the most widely used accuracy measure, since it is easy to understand, and a penalty, such as an imbalance charge<sup>1</sup> is assessed based on the absolute percentage error (APE). Furthermore, the MAPE is scale independent, which enables us to compare accuracy for different load levels.

Those accuracy measures are defined by the following equations:

$$e_t := \hat{y}_t - y_t \tag{4.75}$$

$$MBE := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} e_t$$
 [GW], (4.76)

$$MAE := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} |e_t|$$
 [GW], (4.77)

$$RMSE := \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} e_t^2}$$
 [GW], (4.78)

$$PE_t := \frac{e_t}{y_t} \times 100$$
 [%], (4.79)

$$MAPE := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} |PE_t|$$
 [%], (4.80)

$$SD_{\{PE\}} := \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} (PE_t - \overline{PE})^2}$$
 [%], (4.81)

where  $e_t$  is the error at time t,  $y_t$  is the observed value,  $\hat{y}_t$  is the estimate, and N is the number of time steps in an evaluation term.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This occurs when the power producer and supplier (PPS) is unable to maintain a balance between supply and demand; for each collective 30-minute load that is unbalanced, the PPS must pay a penalty to the system operator.

## 4.7.2 Statistical Test for Significance of Accuracy

The Diebold-Mariano (DM) test is the most sophisticated statistical tool to compare the accuracy of each set of two forecasts. In practice, tests for equality of variance, such as the F-test, Levene's test, Bartlett's test, and the Brown-Forsythe test, are also used to compare accuracy. Compared to those tests, however, the DM test requires fewer assumptions about the forecasting errors; these tests are also known to have an inflation problem with Type-I errors, and this was not reported for the DM test. The null hypothesis of the DM test is that the two forecasts have the same accuracy. Let us explain the test procedure.

First, let us denote two competing h time-step ahead forecasts from the present time t given as  $\hat{y}_{t+h|t}^{(1)}$  and  $\hat{y}_{t+h|t}^{(2)}$ , and the observation given as  $y_{t+h}$  ( $t = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ). Then, the forecast errors from the two models can be expressed by the following equations:

$$e_{t+h|t}^{(1)} = \hat{y}_{t+h|t}^{(1)} - y_{t+h} , \qquad (4.82)$$

$$e_{t+h|t}^{(2)} = \hat{y}_{t+h|t}^{(2)} - y_{t+h} . \tag{4.83}$$

Secondly, we introduce loss functions from which forecasting accuracy can be measured. The two types of loss function commonly used are:

Absolute-error loss function: 
$$L(e) := |e|$$
, (4.84)

Squared-error loss function: 
$$L(e) := e^2$$
, (4.85)

The absolute-error loss function L(e) := |e| was used in this study since the absolute value of the load-forecasting error is usually evaluated. The DM test is performed based on the following error loss differential:

$$d_t = L(e_{t+h|t}^{(1)}) - L(e_{t+h|t}^{(2)}). (4.86)$$

The null and alternative hypotheses for equal predictive accuracy are:

$$H_0: E[d_t] = 0 \quad \forall t \,, \tag{4.87}$$

$$H_1: E[d_t] \neq 0$$
 . (4.88)

Thirdly, as a variance of the error loss differential  $d_t$ , the spectral density at frequency 0 is

used:

$$f_d(0) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma_d(j) \right) , \qquad (4.89)$$

where  $\gamma_d(j)$  is the autocorrelation of the error loss differential at lag j. In real situations, however, the length of forecasts are limited. The consistent estimator of  $f_d(0)$  is used instead.

$$\hat{f}_d(0) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \sum_{j=-(N-1)}^{N-1} I\left(\frac{j}{h-1}\right) \hat{\gamma}_d(j) \right\} , \qquad (4.90)$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_d(j) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=|j|+1}^N (d_t - \bar{d}) (d_{t-|j|} - \bar{d}) , \qquad (4.91)$$

$$I\left(\frac{j}{h-1}\right) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } \left|\frac{j}{h-1}\right| \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(4.92)

$$\bar{d} := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} d_t . \tag{4.93}$$

Finally, we obtain the DM statistic *S*:

$$S = \frac{\bar{d}}{\sqrt{\frac{2\pi \hat{f}_d(0)}{N}}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) . \tag{4.94}$$

# **Chapter 5**

# **Electricity Load Forecasting**

## 5.1 Method

#### **5.1.1** Electricity Load Model

The electricity load pattern as shown in Fig. 2.2 includes the auto-projective components as explained in the preceding chapter, and the load is certainly affected by weather conditions such as temperature; thus, it also includes weather-related exogenous components. As a result, our proposed model expressed by Eq. 5.1 contains those components and an irregular component which is observation noise:

$$Y_{t} = TREND_{t} + INWKS_{t} + f(DAY_{t}, INDAYS_{t}) + AR_{t}$$
$$+ TP_{t} + RA_{t} + HM_{t} + WS_{t} + PV_{t} + W_{t}, \qquad (5.1)$$

where t is the elapsed time in hours,  $Y_t$  is the load that was illustrated with the thick black line in Fig. 1.1,  $TREND_t$  is the trend component,  $INWKS_t$  is the smoothed intra-weekly (168-h) periodic component,  $INDAYS_t$  is the smoothed intra-daily (24-h) periodic component,  $DAY_t$  is the effect of the day of the week (day-effect component),  $AR_t$  is the autoregressive component,  $TP_t$  is the temperature effect,  $RA_t$  is the solar radiation effect,  $HM_t$  is the humidity effect,  $WS_t$  is the wind effect,  $PV_t$  is the photovoltaic effect,  $W_t$  is the irregular component (observation noise), and  $f(\cdot)$  is a function that gives the relationship between the smoothed intra-daily and the day effects. These components will be explained in detail in the following sections.

#### **Trend Component Model**

Several models have been developed to represent a trend or seasonal variation of the load [31]. Of these, the local trend model is one of the most commonly used; it is defined as  $TREND_t = 2 \ TREND_{t-1} - TREND_{t-2} + v_t^{(1)}$ . This was the model we used in the preceding chapter; however, in a preliminary study, we found that when forecasting the load a week or two in advance, the following trend model (without a slope) produced better results:

$$TREND_t = TREND_{t-1} + v_t^{(1)}. (5.2)$$

#### **Intra-Weekly Component Model**

The recursive equation given by Eq. 5.3 represents the intra-weekly or 168-hour periodic variation of the load; it is based on the load of industrial factories or offices that work on an intra-weekly schedule. This component also plays a role as a combined intercept for the exogenous components. To increase the accuracy of the forecast, we applied Friedman's variable-span smoother function [22], which is a smoother with a locally linear fitting. For reducing the error, this smoother performs better than the two-sided exponentially weighted smoother. The smoothed intra-weekly component is expressed in Eq. 5.4.

$$\Sigma_{i=0}^{167} INWK_{t-i} = v_t^{(2)}, \tag{5.3}$$

$$\{INWKS_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{167} = s\left(\{INWK_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{167}\right), \tag{5.4}$$

where  $s(\cdot)$  is Friedman's variable-span smoother function. The notation  $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^N$  signifies  $\{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N\}$ .

#### **Intra-Daily and Day-Effect Component Models**

In the load, a pattern can be seen that is due to intra-daily routines, such as scheduled factory operations. There are also daily gaps during a week, as we observed in Fig. 2.2. These variations are expressed in the combined formula given by Eq. 5.5. The recursive equations given by Eqs. 5.8 and 5.9 represent the intra-daily load pattern and the smoothed, respectively, denoted as  $INDAY_t$  and  $INDAYS_t$ . Equations 5.6 and 5.7 represent the daily gap denoted as  $DAY_t$ , which functions as a 24-h constant coefficient for  $INDAYS_t$ . For modeling the load drops on holidays, we incorporated the empirical knowledge of TEPCO forecasters in Eq. 5.6; that is, the intra-daily load level on a holiday is usually close to the mean level of the nearest Saturday and Sunday. For parsimonious modeling, we simply

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summed the Saturday and Sunday levels and divided by two; however, this could be replaced by a weighted mean if a new state variable were introduced for the weight.  $\alpha_{t,j(t)}$  and  $MIN_t$  in Eqs. 5.10 and 5.11, respectively, were added to ensure the intra-daily load was positive so that it did not decrease during the night. These equations are as follows:

$$f(DAY_{t,j(t)}, INDAYS_t) = DAY_{t,j(t)} \times (INDAYS_{t-i} - \bar{\alpha}_{t,j(t)}MIN_t), \qquad (5.5)$$

$$DAY_{t,j(t)} = \begin{cases} (DAY_{t-1,0} + DAY_{t-1,6}) / 2 + v_t^{(3)} & \text{if } date_t \text{ is holiday} \\ DAY_{t-1,j(t)} + v_t^{(3)} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$
 (5.6)

$$j(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } date_t \text{ is Sunday} \\ 1 & \text{if } date_t \text{ is Monday} \\ \vdots \\ 6 & \text{if } date_t \text{ is Saturday} \end{cases}$$
(5.7)

$$\sum_{i=0}^{23} INDAY_{t-i} = v_t^{(4)}, \qquad (5.8)$$

$$\{INDAYS_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{23} = s\left(\{INDAY_{t-i}\}_{i=0}^{23}\right), \tag{5.9}$$

$$\alpha_{t,j(t)} = \alpha_{t-1,j(t)} + v_t^{(5)}, \qquad (5.10)$$

$$MIN_t = \min\{INDAYS_{t-i}, i = 0, 1, \dots, 23\},$$
 (5.11)

where  $date_t$  is the calendar date of the elapsed time t. Both  $DAY_{t,j(t)}$  and  $\alpha_{t,j(t)}$  are imposed positive constraints (i.e., > 0).

#### **Autoregressive Component Model**

As explained in the preceding chapter, the autoregressive component model, AR(2) is given by Eqs. 5.12 and 5.13, with the conditions ( $\phi_{1,t}^2 + 4\phi_{2,t} < 0 \land \phi_{2,t} > -1$ ) in Eqs. 5.14 and 5.15, using the intermediate parameter  $\theta_t : 0 < \theta_t < \pi$ .

$$AR_t = \phi_{1,t} AR_{t-1} + \phi_{2,t} AR_{t-2} + v_t^{(6)}, \qquad (5.12)$$

$$\phi_{1,t} = 2\sqrt{-\phi_{2,t}}\cos\theta_t , \qquad (5.13)$$

$$\log\left(\frac{1+\phi_{2,t}}{-\phi_{2,t}}\right) = \log\left(\frac{1+\phi_{2,t-1}}{-\phi_{2,t-1}}\right) + v_t^{(7)}, \qquad (5.14)$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\theta_t}{\pi - \theta_t}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\theta_{t-1}}{\pi - \theta_{t-1}}\right) + v_t^{(8)} . \tag{5.15}$$

#### **Temperature-Effect Component Model**

Temperature is the most important exogenous variable, since it directly affects the use of electric air conditioners. The relationship between temperature and load can be observed in Fig. 5.1, which shows the daily maximum and minimum load. In Japan, people use coolers in summer and heaters in winter, and they usually do not use either of these in spring or autumn. Temperature affects the short-term (1-2 h) load due to the automatic response or manual control of air conditioners, and it affects the long-term (1-3 days) load due to the cumulative cooling/heating effect on buildings. In general, people turn on air conditioners when the temperature rises above a particular temperature  $T_t$  (e.g., 23 °C) in summer, and they turn them off if it drops below this. On the other hand, in winter, people turn on heaters when the temperature drops below a particular temperature  $T_t$  (e.g., 15 °C), and they turn them off if it rises above this. We will use the common notation  $ST_t$  for both the cooling switch-off temperature  $T_t$  and the heating switch-off temperature  $T_t'$ .

The component model for temperature effect  $TP_t$  is given by the following equations:

$$TP_t = \gamma_t \Delta t p_{2,t}^{\delta_t} + \gamma_t' \Delta t p_{48,t} , \qquad (5.16)$$

$$\Delta t p_{2,t} = \begin{cases} [t p_{2,t} - S T_t]_+ & \text{if } dat e_t \in \{\text{May 1-Oct. 15}\} \\ [S T_t - t p_{2,t}]_+ & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$
 (5.17)

$$\Delta t p_{48,t} = \begin{cases} t p_{48,t} - S T_t & \text{if } date_t \in \{\text{May 1-Oct. 15}\} \\ S T_t - t p_{48,t} & \text{otherwise ,} \end{cases}$$
 (5.18)

$$\gamma_t = \gamma_{t-1} + v_t^{(9)} \,, \tag{5.19}$$

$$\gamma_t' = \gamma_{t-1}' + v_t^{(10)} \,, \tag{5.20}$$

$$\delta_t = \delta_{t-1} + v_t^{(11)} \,, \tag{5.21}$$

$$ST_t = ST_{t-1} + v_t^{(12)} , (5.22)$$

where  $\delta_t$  is the temperature multiplier,  $\gamma_t$  is the temperature indicator for the short-term effect in the load,  $\gamma_t'$  the cumulative indicator for the long-term effect in the load,  $tp_{2,t}$  and  $tp_{48,t}$  are the 2- and 48-h mean temperatures [°C], respectively, and  $\Delta tp_{2,t}$  and  $\Delta tp_{48,t}$  are the difference between the temperature and  $ST_t$  [°C] in the short and long term, respectively. The notation  $[x]_+$  means max $\{0,x\}$ . Note that the forms of Eqs. 5.17 and 5.18 depend on the season (the hot season is May 1–October 15). All indicators, including  $ST_t$ , were subject to constraints as explained in Section 4.4.

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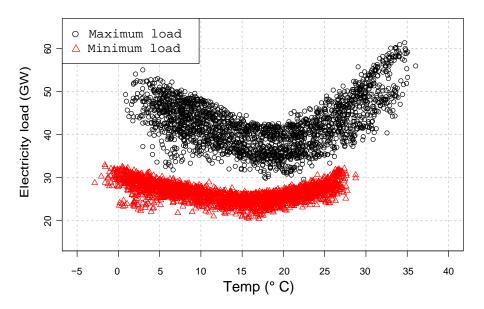


Fig. 5.1 Daily maximum (peak) and minimum (valley) loads in 2012.

#### **Other Weather-Effect Component Models**

Other weather-effect components are introduced in the following subsections. In these subsections, each component has an exogenous variable and a coefficient  $\beta_t^{(\cdot)}$ .  $\beta_t^{(\cdot)}$  is a weather response indicator with the constraint  $a^{(\cdot)} < \beta_t^{(\cdot)} < b^{(\cdot)}$ . We have changed the constraints  $a^{(\cdot)}$  and  $b^{(\cdot)}$  for each calendar month. For instance,  $\beta_t^{(ws)}$ , the coefficient of wind speed, should be positive in winter, but it should be negative in summer, because of the cooling effect.

**Solar-Radiation Effect Model** Solar radiation causes direct heating and lighting effects on buildings throughout the year. A component for the effect of solar radiation is given in Eq. 5.23.

$$RA_t = \beta_t^{(ra)} r a_t \,, \tag{5.23}$$

where  $ra_t$  is the amount of global solar radiation [MJ/(m<sup>2</sup>· h)].

**Humidity Effect Model** Humidity interacts with temperature and affects the load from June to September (the season with high temperatures and high humidity). Our model does not use a dummy variable for rain, since nearly 100% humidity is assumed to indicate

rainfall. A component for the effect of humidity is given in Eq. 5.24.

$$HM_t = \beta_t^{(hm)} h m_t , \qquad (5.24)$$

where  $hm_t$  is the degree of relative humidity [%].

**Wind Effect Model** Wind causes direct cooling on buildings. A component for the effect of wind is given in Eq. 5.25.

$$WS_t = \beta_t^{(ws)} ws_t \,, \tag{5.25}$$

where  $ws_t$  is the wind speed [m/s].

**PV Power Component Model** Beginning in May 2013, TEPCO has added hourly estimates of the PV power to the total supply; hence, it is necessary to incorporate a PV component in our SSMs. A component for the effect of PV power is given in Eq. 5.26.

$$PV_t = \beta_t^{(pv)} \hat{P}_t , \qquad (5.26)$$

where  $\hat{P}_t$  is the hourly estimates of PV power [GW] obtained using the method that will be introduced in Chapter 6. Since  $\hat{P}_t$  is itself an estimate of load, we used a very narrow range as the constraint for  $\beta_t^{(pv)}$ .

## 5.1.2 SSMs Representation for Electricity Load Model

We used nonlinear system models for  $f_t(\cdot)$  and a linear observation model for  $g_t(\cdot)$ . Technically, the observation model can be nonlinear [20], and this could increase the accuracy of the forecast; however, a linear model is more appropriate for load analysis, since the reports regarding load structural analysis may go to nonspecialists, and thus, they should be easy to

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understand. The state vector  $\mathbf{x}_t$  in our model setup is as follows:

$$\mathbf{x}_{t} := \begin{bmatrix} TREND_{t} \\ (INWK_{t}, INWK_{t-1}, \cdots, INWK_{t-167})' \\ (INWKS_{t}, INWKS_{t-1}, \cdots, INWKS_{t-167})' \\ (INDAY_{t}, INDAY_{t-1}, \cdots, INDAY_{t-23})' \\ (INDAYS_{t}, INDAYS_{t-1}, \cdots, INDAYS_{t-23})' \\ (DAY_{t,0}, DAY_{t,1}, \cdots, DAY_{t,6})' \\ f(DAY_{t,j(t)}, INDAYS_{t}) \\ (AR_{t}, AR_{t-1})' \\ (TP_{t}, RA_{t}, HM_{t}, WS_{t}, PV_{t})' \\ [h(\beta_{1}, a_{1}, b_{1}), h(\beta_{2}, a_{2}, b_{2}), \cdots, h(\beta_{8}, a_{8}, b_{8})]' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$h(x,a,b) := \log\left(\frac{x-a}{b-x}\right),$$

$$\beta := \left(\gamma_t, \gamma_t', \delta_t, ST_t, \beta_t^{(ra)}, \beta_t^{(hm)}, \beta_t^{(ws)}, \beta_t^{(pv)}\right)',$$

$$(5.28)$$

$$\beta \coloneqq \left(\gamma_t, \gamma_t', \delta_t, ST_t, \beta_t^{(ra)}, \beta_t^{(hm)}, \beta_t^{(ws)}, \beta_t^{(pv)}\right)', \tag{5.29}$$

where a and b are the lower and upper limits for x, respectively. The  $i^{th}$  element of  $\beta$  in Eq. 5.29 is denoted by  $\beta_i$  in Eq. 5.27. Note that the elements  $INWK_{t-167}$ ,  $INWKS_{t-167}$ ,  $INDAY_{t-23}$  and  $INDAYS_{t-23}$  are not required for a one-step-ahead prediction; however, they are included for smoothing purposes (such as with the variable span smoother in Eq. 5.4).

#### 5.1.3 Lasso

For further enhancement of the accuracy, we used data from past years as well from the target year. In addition, we added several new variables which should be integrated into SSMs in the future; for example, temperature-dependent polynomials were used to represent rapid changes in the load, and dummy variables were used to represent weekdays with unusually heavy loads (such as a day following a holiday or weekend).

We also used the Lasso and MLR. The Lasso is a regression method that simultaneously shrinks the coefficients and selects the variables. We used it to reduce over-fitting and to clarify the essential explanatory variables. The objective function of the Lasso that we used is given by the following equation:

$$P_{\lambda}(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i^{(yr)} w_i^{(tp)} (y_i - \hat{y}_i - \mathbf{x}_i \beta)^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{p} |\beta_i|, \qquad (5.30)$$

where  $y_i$  is the  $i^{th}$  load in the training terms;  $\hat{y}_i$  is the estimate from the EnKF;  $\mathbf{x}_i = (1, x_{i,1}, \cdots, x_{i,p})$  is the standardized design matrix with p explanatory variables; N is the total time in hours;  $\lambda$  is the regularization parameter;  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \cdots, \beta_p)'$  is a vector of the regression coefficients;  $w_i^{(yr)}$  is the  $i^{th}$  regression weight which exponentially increases as the year of the  $i^{th}$  record gets closer to the target year; and  $w_i^{(tp)}$  is the  $i^{th}$  regression weight, which exponentially increases as the  $i^{th}$  temperature in the training term gets closer to the forecast temperature for the target hour. The proper  $\lambda$  for each hour was chosen by a tenfold cross-validation with the mean-square-error criterion.

#### **Enhanced model**

Twenty-four hourly error models, each given by Eq. 5.31, were used for the enhanced model, since the hourly models compared favorably to the all-day models in a preliminary study [e.g., 57]. The resulting model is:

$$y_{t} - \hat{y}_{t} = tp_{1,t} + tp_{1,t}^{2} + tp_{1,t}^{3} + tp_{6,t} + tp_{12,t} + tp_{24,t} + tp_{48,t}$$

$$+ hm_{t} + ra_{t} + ws_{t} + tp_{1,t} \cdot hm_{t} + tp_{1,t} \cdot ra_{t}$$

$$+ tu_{t} + we_{t} + th_{t} + fr_{t} + sa_{t} + su_{t}$$

$$+ ah_{t} + ho_{t} \quad \text{(regression coefficients are abbreviated)}, \qquad (5.31)$$

where  $y_t$  is the load;  $\hat{y}_t$  is the estimate from the EnKF;  $tp_{1,t}$ ,  $tp_{6,t}$ ,  $tp_{12,t}$ ,  $tp_{24,t}$ , and  $tp_{48,t}$  are the 1-, 6-, 12-, 24-, and 48-h mean temperatures [°C], respectively;  $hm_t$  is the relative humidity [%];  $ra_t$  is the amount of global solar radiation [MJ/(m²h)]; and  $ws_t$  is the wind speed [m/s]. The following notation was used for the days of the week and those of special significance:  $tu_t$  Tuesday,  $we_t$  Wednesday,  $th_t$  Thursday,  $fr_t$  Friday,  $sa_t$  Saturday,  $su_t$  Sunday,  $ah_t$  a day following a holiday or weekend, and  $ho_t$  a holiday; note that these are binary variables.

#### **Training terms**

The forecasting accuracy was enhanced using training data from the target year (YR) and the past five consecutive years (YR-1, ..., YR-5). The resulting terms are shown in Fig. 5.2. Suppose we would like to obtain a one-week forecast in the YR. The training and forecasting procedure would be as follows:

**Step 1** Perform a one-week ensemble Kalman prediction for all terms of YR, YR-1, ..., YR-5 without overlapping terms.

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Step 2 Fit the Lasso/MLR with the data in the training terms of YR, YR-1, ..., YR-5.

**Step 3** With the fitted Lasso/MLR, perform a one-week prediction for the forecasting term of YR.

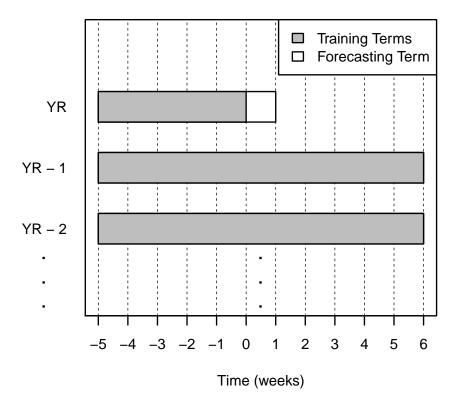


Fig. 5.2 Training terms used for enhancing the accuracy of a one-week forecast; the x-axis shows the time in weeks, and the y-axis shows the year, where YR is the target year that includes the one-week forecasting term, and YR-*i* is *i* years previous.

### **5.1.4** Flowchart of Proposed Ensemble Method

The flowchart of the proposed ensemble method illustrated in this section is shown in Fig. 5.3. The matrix  $\mathbf{X}_{t|t-1}$  expresses the prediction distribution of a state at time t, given a state at time t-1. The subscript  $t \mid t-1$  is used to notate the prediction distribution. Likewise, the subscript  $t \mid t$  is used to notate the filtering distribution.

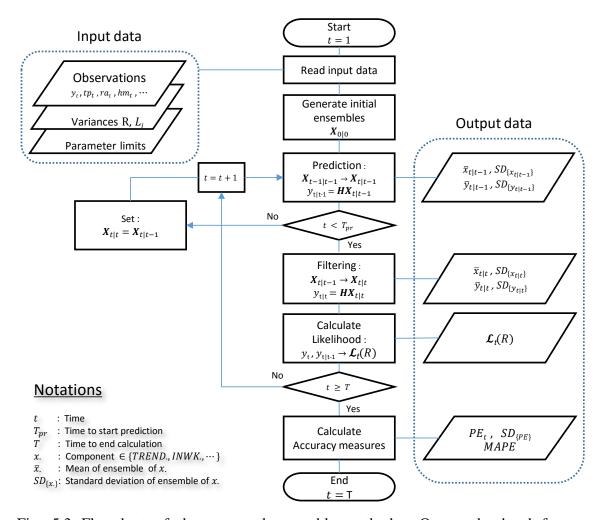


Fig. 5.3 Flowchart of the proposed ensemble method. One-week ahead forecasts  $(\{\overline{y}_{t|T_{pr}-1}\}_{t=T_{pr}}^T)$  can be obtained by repeating the one-step ahead prediction from the time  $T_{pr}$ . Filtered components  $(\{\overline{x}_{t|t}\}_{t=1}^{T_{pr}-1})$  are used for load analysis (see Section 5.3.4).

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# 5.2 Experiment

In this experiment, we used observations of the weather instead of forecasts to avoid possible effects from forecasting errors. Weather forecasts are usually calculated by supercomputers, and the major utilities in Japan purchase these forecasts. Therefore, a study of weather forecasting lies beyond the scope of this thesis. The local observations were averaged using weights that correspond to the ratio of the amount of local electricity sales; this was done because the load arises from an area that is geographically diverse.

There were marked drops in the load on particular days, such as the end-of-the-year and New Year holidays. Special treatments are usually required for forecasting those periods. Therefore, we did not use the load data in those periods, nor did we use it for the month following the 2011 earthquake.

In practice, load forecasting will be completed at hourly or half-hourly intervals, and this requires large computational resources and time. Our estimates were calculated on a rolling daily basis. For instance, if the first one-week forecast begins at 0:00 AM, then the next forecast will begin at 0:00 AM on the following day. The target years were 2012 and 2013, since complete annual data were required, and at the time of writing, of the years following the earthquake, those had the best available data.

We compared the performance of other six load forecasting models to that of our proposed models: EnKF, EnKF+Lasso, and EnKF+MLR. Four models were actually implemented and used to make forecasts; we used the same weather and load observations as were used to evaluate our models. For two of the models, the performance was taken from the literature. Figure 5.4 shows a schematic of the models used in this experiment; the details of the models will be given in the following subsections.

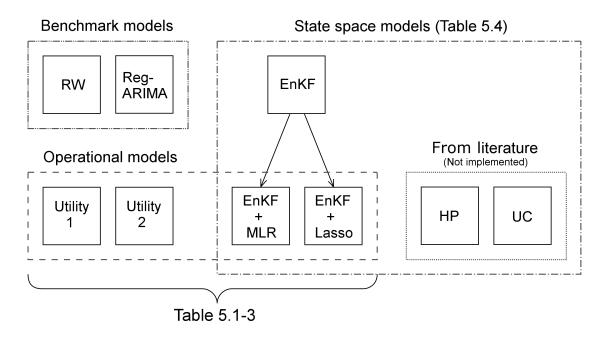


Fig. 5.4 Schematic of models implemented in the experiment. The scopes of the tables presented in Section 5.3 are also shown.

#### **5.2.1** Benchmark Models

Benchmarks were calculated to help other researchers compare the accuracy of their models to ours. In general, benchmarks should be calculated using a well-known and accurate method that can be reproduced easily by anyone. From this perspective, we chose the following two benchmark models.

Weekly Random-Walk Model (RW) A random-walk model is the simplest and most commonly used benchmark method for time series models. Although it is a very simple model, a certain level of accuracy is achieved for a load forecast [63]. When using a horizon of only a few weeks, the load is largely explained by the day of the week, so for this study, we used a weekly random-walk model [14]. With this model (Eq. 5.32), each hourly forecast is the same as the actual hourly load during the preceding week; it is sometimes referred to as the naïve forecast.

$$\hat{Y}_t = Y_{t-168}. (5.32)$$

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**ARIMA with External Regressors (RegARIMA)** The autoregressive integrated moving average with external regressors is one of the most commonly used statistical models for time series analysis. It is very easy to reproduce the same forecasts by using R, a freely available statistical computing software package. The RegARIMA was calculated by the *auto.arima* function of the R package *forecast* [31], with the following settings: allowdrift = F, stationary = T, max.P = 7, max.P = 24, max.Q = 7, max.Q = 24, start.P = 7, and start.Q = 7; other settings were set to the default values. Consecutive 10-week training terms, which were longer than those of EnKF (five weeks), were used to boost the forecasting accuracy, and the external regressors were the same as those used in our model.

#### **5.2.2** Operational Models

**TEPCO Model (Utility 1)** Our method was compared with TEPCO's load forecasting model, which is the regression-based method that was primarily developed by Haida [26]. To compare like with like, we used an extended-time version of the model that is capable of two-week forecasting and is more accurate than the one currently in operation. The model was provided by TEPCO for the purpose of comparison under an obligation of confidentiality.

**US Utility Model (Utility 2)** For an additional comparison, we implemented a short-term load-forecasting model [30] that has been deployed at a utility in the USA and has demonstrated excellent performance. The model is defined as follows:

$$Y_t = Trend + Day \times Hour + Month \tag{5.33}$$

$$+(Month + Hour) \times \{T(t) + T(t)^2 + T(t)^3$$
 (5.34)

$$+T(t-1)+T(t-1)^{2}+T(t-1)^{3}$$
 (5.35)

$$+T(t-2)+T(t-2)^{2}+T(t-2)^{3}$$
 (5.36)

$$+T(t-3)+T(t-3)^2+T(t-3)^3$$
 (5.37)

$$+T(t)_{w}+T(t)_{w}^{2}+T(t)_{w}^{3}\}$$
(5.38)

(coefficients are abbreviated),

where  $Y_t$  is the load at time t; Trend is the yearly trend, which is equal to the year minus 2009 (e.g., the year 2010 is 1); Hour is a 24-class dummy that represents the hourly variation in a day; Day is a seven-class dummy that represents the daily variation in a week; Month is a 12-class dummy that represents the monthly variation in a year; and T(t) is the temperature

at time t.  $T_w(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{24} \alpha^{k-1} T(t-k) / \sum_{k=1}^{24} \alpha^{k-1}$  and  $\alpha$  (=0.9) is the smoothing factor. The weighting factor for exponentially weighted least squares for a three-year training term is 1.00015. We used the same parameter values for the  $\alpha$  and the weighting factor as those used in the literature. When implemented, this model has 636 terms, including the intercept.

## 5.3 Results

#### 5.3.1 Comparison by Type of Day

For each of the seven models, Table 5.1 shows the MAPE and  $SD_{\{PE\}}$  compared by type of day; the categories include all days, weekdays, weekends, and holidays.  $PE_t$ s were obtained by repeating a one-week forecast with a rolling daily origin. The performance was best for weekdays, followed in order by all days, weekends, and holidays; the mean performance was obtained when using all days.

The EnKF reached our target *MAPE* level of 3.0% when using all days (3.05%) or weekdays (2.72%); however, weekends (3.80%) and holidays (3.85%) did not reach the target level. Nevertheless, the results outperformed those of the benchmarks (RW and RegARIMA) more than 2 to 3 points for any type of comparison. The RW performed better than expected for weekends (6.05%) in comparison with other type of day of the RW, while other models performed significantly worse on weekends.

The enhanced model, EnKF+Lasso, and EnKF+MLR improved the accuracy of the EnKF by 0.9 to 1.8 points, and they outperformed the Utility 2 MLR by 0.6 to 0.7 points; however, they underperformed the Utility 1 MLR by 0.2 to 0.6 points. For the  $SD_{\{PE\}}$ , the performances were in almost the same order as for the MAPE; the best was Utility 1, followed in order by the enhanced models, Utility 2, EnKF, RW, and RegARIMA.

Table 5.2 shows the DM statistics for 7 PM of the last  $(7^{th})$  forecast day in the one-week-ahead forecast (164 hours from the forecasting origin).

The DM test is applicable to multiple-step-ahead forecasting, and we chose 7 PM of the last day in the one-week-ahead forecasting, since it was the hour when peak loads most frequently occurred during the years 2000–2013.

To counteract the multiple comparison problem, a significance-level correction (e.g., the Bonferroni correction) should be used when determining if there is a significant difference in the accuracy of different forecasts.

With the forecasts for 2012 and 2013, there was no significant difference between EnKF+Lasso

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and EnKF+MLR, nor was there a significant difference between the two benchmarks, RW and RegARIMA. Otherwise, all comparisons showed significance.

### 5.3.2 Comparison by Calendar Month

Table 5.3 shows the monthly *MAPE* for each of the seven models. The EnKF has peaks (i.e., low accuracy) in March (3.33%), May (3.23%), October (3.26%), and November (3.52%). The accuracy of the enhanced models, EnKF+Lasso and EnKF+MLR, was low (over 2.0%) in April, May, and July; this was not true for the results obtained with the operational models or the benchmark models.

#### 5.3.3 Comparison of SSMs Found in the Literature

The performances of the SSMs of other researchers were compared with those of the EnKF. The *MAPE*s of these models were derived from the literature of Dordonnat et al. [14] and Pedregal and Trapero [52]. Dordonnat et al. [14] developed hourly periodic SSMs with the KF (HP models) for the French national electricity load, and Pedregal and Trapero [52] developed SSMs with the KF and a fixed-interval smoother (UC models).

Table 5.1 MAPEs by the type of day for 2012 and 2013 (%)

| MAPE $SD_{\{PE\}}$ MAPE $SD_{\{PE\}}$ $(n = 112.392)$ $(n = 78,624)$ $(n = 78,624)$ So $1.87$ $2.43$ $2.72$ $3.50$ R $1.87$ $2.43$ $1.81$ $2.36$ R $1.86$ $2.43$ $1.81$ $2.35$ R $1.34$ $1.76$ $1.23$ $1.63$ R $2.59$ $3.27$ $2.40$ $2.90$ So $3.27$ $2.40$ $2.90$ Co $3.27$ $2.40$ $2.50$ So $3.27$ $2.40$ $2.50$ So $3.27$ $3.27$ $3.27$ $3.27$ So       < | Model         | All days      | lays          | Weekdays     | days          | Week         | Weekends            | Holi        | Holidays           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| SSO 1.87 2.43 1.81 2.36  LR 1.86 2.43 1.81 2.36  LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63  LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90  6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ,             | MAPE          | $SD_{\{PE\}}$ | MAPE         | $SD_{\{PE\}}$ | MAPE         | $MAPE  SD_{\{PE\}}$ | MAPE        | $MAPE SD_{\{PE\}}$ |
| 3.05 3.93 2.72 3.50  sso 1.87 2.43 1.81 2.36  LR 1.86 2.43 1.81 2.35  LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63  LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90  6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |               | (n = 112,392) |               | (n = 78,624) |               | (n = 30,408) |                     | (n = 3,360) |                    |
| 3.05 3.93 2.72 3.50  sso 1.87 2.43 1.81 2.36  LR 1.86 2.43 1.81 2.35  LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63  LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90  6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Proposed      |               |               |              |               |              |                     |             |                    |
| SSO 1.87 2.43 1.81 2.36  LR 1.86 2.43 1.81 2.35  LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63  LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90  6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | EnKF          | 3.05          | 3.93          | 2.72         | 3.50          | 3.80         | 4.71                | 3.85        | 4.83               |
| LR 1.86 2.43 1.81 2.35  LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63  LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90  6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | EnKF + Lasso  | 1.87          | 2.43          | 1.81         | 2.36          | 1.97         | 2.54                | 2.15        | 2.82               |
| LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63 LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90 6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | EnKF + MLR    | 1.86          | 2.43          | 1.81         | 2.35          | 1.98         | 2.56                | 2.17        | 2.84               |
| LR 1.34 1.76 1.23 1.63 LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90 6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Operational   |               |               |              |               |              |                     |             |                    |
| LR 2.59 3.27 2.40 2.90 6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Utility 1 MLR | 1.34          | 1.76          | 1.23         | 1.63          | 1.55         | 1.98                | 1.92        | 2.43               |
| 6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Utility 2 MLR | 2.59          | 3.27          | 2.40         | 2.90          | 2.70         | 3.14                | $NA^a$      | $NA^a$             |
| 6.12 8.41 6.02 8.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Benchmark     |               |               |              |               |              |                     |             |                    |
| 621 011 540 654                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | RW            | 6.12          | 8.41          | 6.02         | 8.25          | 6.05         | 8.36                | 9.05        | 10.95              |
| 0.24 0.14 0.24                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | RegARIMA      | 6.21          | 8.11          | 5.49         | 6.54          | 8.03         | 7.63                | 6.58        | 7.53               |

*Note.* Hourly predictions in the special terms are not included. Each sample size is equal to the number of forecasting hours calculated on daily rolling basis.

<sup>a</sup> Holiday effect is not implemented here.

Table 5.2 Diebold-Mariano statistics for 7 PM of weekdays

|            | EnKF+Lasso  | EnKF+Lasso EnKF+MLR Utility 1 Utility 2 | Utility 1   | Utility 2            | RW       | RegARIMA  |
|------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| EnKF       | +2814.1 *** | +2807.1 ***                             | +3815.4 *** | +2318.9 *** -4.6 *** | -4.6 *** | *** 6.8-  |
| EnKF+Lasso |             | -0.1                                    | +10.3 ***   | -495.2 ***           | -5.7 *** | *** L.6-  |
| EnKF+MLR   |             |                                         | +6.4 ***    | -488.2 ***           | -5.6 *** | -9.2 ***  |
| Utility 1  |             |                                         |             | -1496.5 ***          | -6.6 *** | -11.8 *** |
| Utility 2  |             |                                         |             |                      | -5.4 *** | -15.7 *** |
| RW         |             |                                         |             |                      |          | +0.1      |

*Note.* p-values based on the two-sided test were coded with the significance codes: 0 '\*\*\* 0.001 '\*\* 0.05 '. 0.1 ' ' 1
With the Bonferroni correction, \*\*\* indicates there remained a significant difference at the significance level of 5%.

Table 5.3 Monthly MAPEs of weekdays for 2012 and 2013 (%)

| Month   |        |         | Proposed    |           | Opera     | Operational |      | Benchmark |
|---------|--------|---------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------|-----------|
|         | u      | EnKF(1) | (1) + Lasso | (1) + MLR | Utility 1 | Utility 2   | RW   | RegARIMA  |
| Jan     | 5,712  | 2.46    | 1.68        | 1.66      | 1.53      | 2.12        | 8.58 | 6.43      |
| Feb     | 6,720  | 2.29    | 1.58        | 1.59      | 1.10      | 2.07        | 5.54 | 4.97      |
| Mar     | 888,9  | 3.33    | 1.77        | 1.75      | 1.64      | 3.22        | 7.72 | 4.82      |
| Apr     | 6,720  | 2.49    | 2.06        | 2.04      | 1.32      | 4.14        | 3.97 | 4.82      |
| May     | 6,048  | 3.23    | 2.36        | 2.36      | 1.01      | 2.59        | 3.68 | 5.75      |
| Jun     | 888,9  | 1.98    | 1.33        | 1.38      | 0.78      | 2.19        | 3.61 | 5.26      |
| Jul     | 7,224  | 2.66    | 2.01        | 2.01      | 1.37      | 2.63        | 9.15 | 89.9      |
| Aug     | 5,880  | 2.07    | 1.51        | 1.50      | 1.32      | 1.91        | 8.54 | 5.74      |
| Sep     | 6,384  | 2.32    | 1.92        | 1.88      | 1.41      | 1.92        | 8.95 | 4.49      |
| Oct     | 7,392  | 3.26    | 1.77        | 1.76      | 0.93      | 1.72        | 4.25 | 4.96      |
| Nov     | 888,9  | 3.52    | 1.87        | 1.88      | 1.03      | 1.96        | 4.21 | 6.46      |
|         | 5,880  | 2.92    | 1.87        | 1.88      | 1.45      | 2.21        | 4.54 | 5.69      |
| Jan-Dec | 78,624 | 2.72    | 1.81        | 1.81      | 1.23      | 2.40        | 6.02 | 5.49      |

Note. Hourly predictions in the special terms are not included.

Table 5.4 MAPEs of SSMs (%)

| Target Time |         | Proposed                  |         |      | HP M | ${f HP\ Model} {f s}^a$ |      | UCI  | ${f UC\ Models}^b$ |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------|---------|------|------|-------------------------|------|------|--------------------|
|             | EnKF(1) | EnKF(1) (1)+Lasso (1)+MLR | (1)+MLR | Reg  | Univ | Reg Univ TVR TTR        | TTR  | NC   | UC UC1/2           |
| 9 AM        | 3.49    | 2.11                      | 2.10    | 2.77 | 3.07 | 3.06                    | 3.09 | NA   | NA                 |
| 12 AM       | 2.81    | 2.08                      | 2.09    | 2.42 | 2.49 | 2.67                    | 2.66 | NA   | NA                 |
| Every Hour  | 3.05    | 1.87                      | 1.86    | NA   | NA   | NA                      | NA   | 4.37 | 3.92               |

Note. Hourly predictions in the special terms are not included except UC models.

<sup>a</sup> Hourly periodic SSMs with KF [14] consist of the following models. Reg: regression model, Univ: univariate model,

TVR: time-varying regression model, and TTR: local linear trend + time-varying regression model.

<sup>b</sup> SSMs with KF and a fixed interval smoother called the unobserved components models [52]. UC1/2 has a component

for the annual cycle in addition to UC.

#### **5.3.4** Load Analysis

The load analysis can be done by using the filtered load components. Figure 5.5 shows a snapshot of the load structure decomposed by the EnKF, and Fig. 5.6 shows the model parameters, which were estimated simultaneously. We can observe a gradual data-assimilation process by the EnKF from June 15th to July 19th.

The load analysis provides us with the following information:

TREND: Seasonal trend level

INDAYS: Averaged intra-daily load curve

DAY: Relative load levels for Mondays, Tuesdays, ..., and holidays

*TP* : Temperature effect

HM: Humidity effect

RA: Solar radiation effect

PV: Photovoltaic effect

 $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ : Instantaneous temperature response

 $\gamma'$ : Cumulative temperature response

ST: Switch-off temperature for air conditioners

 $\beta^{(ra)}, \beta^{(hm)}, \beta^{(ws)}$ : Weather responses which represent direct heating by

solar radiation, dehumidification, and direct cooling by wind

There are many applications for the information produced by the analysis. For example, the seasonal trend level (*TREND*) can be used for the seasonal adjustment routine in the planning division of a utility.

The averaged intra-daily load curve (*INDAYS*) can be used to determine constant outputs of base-load units such as coal-fired thermal power plants and nuclear power plants.

The curve with relative load levels (f(DAY,INDAYS)) can be used as a year-long dispatching curve for the scheduling of thermal power plants. With this curve, cost-saving fuel procurement will be possible.

The instantaneous temperature response indicators ( $\gamma$  and  $\delta$ ) are essential for letting system operators know the amount of supplies to order; they can perform a quick forecast with the indicators in case the loads are underestimated or the weather forecast was unreliable.

The cumulative temperature response indicator  $(\gamma')$  provides us with information about the insulation efficiency of buildings.

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The switch-off temperature (ST) can be used as a more sophisticated reference temperature for calculating heating and cooling degree days.

Precise effect analysis regarding solar radiation is possible through the relationship of components RA and PV as shown in Fig. 5.7.

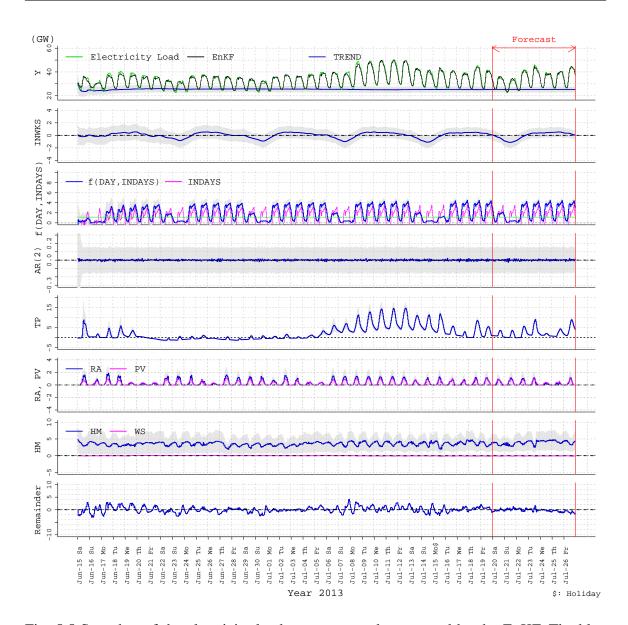


Fig. 5.5 Snapshot of the electricity load structure, as decomposed by the EnKF. The blue line in each panel shows the ensemble mean, and the gray region surrounding each line shows the domain that is within one standard deviation of the mean.

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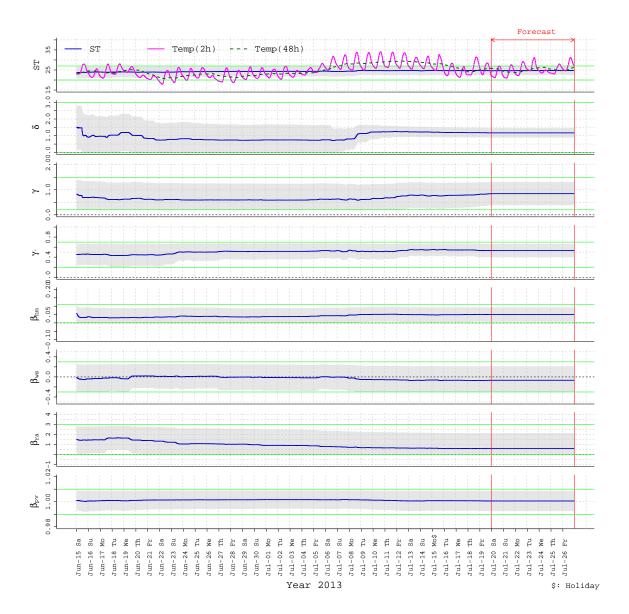


Fig. 5.6 Model parameters simultaneously estimated in the filtering process of the EnKF (cf. Fig. 5.5). The blue line in each panel shows the ensemble mean, the gray region surrounding each line shows the domain that is within one standard deviation of the mean, and the outer lines indicate the upper and lower limits of the ensembles. Note that Temp(2h) and Temp(48h) in the top panel are observations added for indicating the position of ST relative to those temperatures.

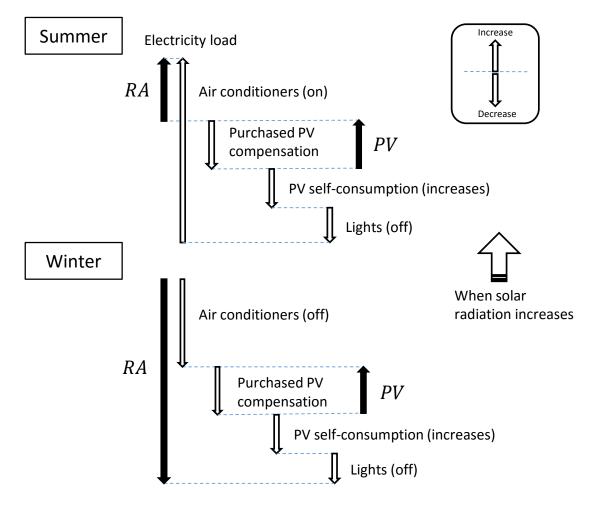


Fig. 5.7 Relationship diagram of components *RA* and *PV*. When solar radiation increases, both *RA* and *PV* increase in summer, and *RA* decreases while *PV* increases in winter. Note that electricity load decreases when PV self-consumption increases

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When comparing performance by type of day, the order is the same as that which is often found in the load-forecasting literature. This can be explained by the amount of training data available for each type of day; there is a large amount of training data for weekdays, but only a limited amount for other types of days. For this reason, the intra-daily curve, which is the base curve used for all days, is similar to that of weekdays. In our modeling, the intra-daily curve was adjusted by using the daily coefficient to express each type of day. As a result, weekdays tend to be the easiest to forecast.

Benchmarks were very useful for understanding the relative accuracy, and they also helped us to locate the weak points of the proposed models. For weekdays, the EnKF outperformed the benchmarks (RW and RegARIMA) by a large margin—over 3.0 points. In contrast, for weekends, the EnKF obviously did not perform as well, since the accuracy of the benchmark RW was almost the same for both weekdays and weekends.

There was no significant difference between the accuracies of the enhanced models EnKF+Lasso and EnKF+MLR. Therefore, instead of using MLR, we recommend that utilities use the Lasso, which has additional useful functionalities, such as variable selection and over-fitting prevention.

It is entirely fair to say that the accuracy of the enhanced models reached an operational level, since they outperformed Utility 2, which has been reported to have excellent performance in actual operation. Furthermore, the accuracy gap between Utility 1 and our model was not very large, and it can be removed by fine tuning the parameters.

When comparing accuracy by calendar month, the EnFK showed marked drops (*MAPE* over 3.0%) in March, May, October, and November. We determined that the drop in March occurred due to the relatively high temperatures observed in 2013, and the drop in May occurred due to the lack of sufficient filtering terms for the period immediately after a long special term (the Golden Week holidays). We did not implement any remedial models for special terms; hence, the special terms were skipped by repeating the one-step-ahead predictions, and so those terms did not contribute to the data assimilation. The last two drops occurred due to a change in the temperature effect component in the model (see Eqs. 5.17 and 5.18). We conclude that countermeasures should be developed to strengthen our models for seasonal changes.

Compared with similar studies in the literature, our method can be distinguished from those of [14] and [52], which also use SSMs, by the type of filter we used. Instead of a KF, we used the EnKF, which can handle nonlinear models. It must be noted that the SSMs

used in the other studies were designed for operational use, while the EnKF is intended for analytical use. However, our enhanced models for operational use greatly outperformed those models.

Improving the accuracy of load forecasting is expected to reduce costs in the following categories:

- Unit commitment (mainly, the start-up cost for a thermal unit)
- Imbalance penalties
- Emergency power exchanges
- Outages
- Investment in power facilities

It is very difficult to directly measure all the costs that will be reduced by improving the accuracy. However, in the literature, we found several attempts at estimating these costs. As an example, the economic impact of load forecasting errors was assessed by using a Monte Carlo approach to simulate the unit commitment for that forecast [71]. It was determined that the imbalance charge<sup>1</sup> for a power shortfall beyond 3% of the load is a few times higher than the thermal generating cost<sup>2</sup>. As an example of calculating the imbalance charge, note that during a summer day, a 4% underestimation that lasts for three hours will result in a loss of approximately ¥106 million. Moreover, emergency power-exchange charges are much higher than imbalance charges; the charge is doubled if it is within 3%, and it is higher by a factor of 3/2 if it is beyond 3%. Therefore, even a difference in accuracy of 0.1% can make a big difference in the profit, especially for large utilities. In this respect, our method apparently has large economic advantages over the existing state-of-the-art methods found in the literature.

The EnKF in our method requires a relatively short training period (several weeks at most), and this is favorable for capturing rapid changes in the load structure. On the other hand, it tends to be less accurate than a method that uses longer training periods, especially if it includes terms from past years. The year-long *MAPE* of the one-week forecast was

 $<sup>^153.21</sup>$  (summer), 47.03 (other seasons), and 28.84 (at night) [\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac}

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>10.2 [¥/kWh]: the average costs of 12 companies over five years [34]

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below 3.0%, though a few large *MAPE*s were observed; this shows that the model is sufficiently accurate to perform a precise load analysis from which trustworthy indicators can be obtained.

Planning divisions of utilities obtain the temperature response indicator  $\gamma_t$  by using a simple linear regression, and then use it for adjusting the temperature for long-term load forecasting. Also, the heating/cooling degree day is one of the most widely used explanatory variables in economic methods for load analysis; it is used to express annual energy consumption. It is a very rough estimation of the relationship between energy consumption and temperature, and it is primarily derived from the use of air conditioners. We expect that a more precise analysis will be possible by using our newly introduced response indicators,  $\gamma_t'$  and  $\delta_t$ .

Since it is important to have an accurate load analysis in order to forecast the growth in electricity demand and make proper investment plans for electric power facilities, a comprehensive load analysis is conducted in Japan every few years to estimate the future residential electricity demand [50] and to determine its sensitivity to temperature [33]. Our results can be used for such a long-term forecast as well as for a short-term one, which is our remarkable achievement that cannot be found in any literature.

PV forecasting and load forecasting are conducted separately in most utilities. In our method, PV power was incorporated into the SSMs as one of the load components; this enables the simultaneous estimation of the model parameters, and avoids the problem of inconsistent results due to separate estimations.

Ideally, the load forecast should be made solely by the EnKF, in order to ensure that the accountability is accurate; this is because the enhanced models have redundant variables. These redundant variables should be reduced primarily by directly enhancing existing component models, or in the following way. One of the merits of using SSMs lies in their capability to unify many separate time series models; thus, we expect that the Lasso and MLR can be incorporated into SSMs relatively smoothly, compared to incorporating them into existing methods. In the case of the Lasso, this can be achieved by using a Laplacian prior [51] as the coefficient of an exogenous variable, since the EnKF produces a natural Bayesian posterior.

# Chapter 6

# **Photovoltaic Power Forecasting**

#### 6.1 Methods

#### **6.1.1** Monthly Installed PV Capacity Model

Installed PV capacity is an essential exogenous variable to forecast PV power. In order to estimate these hourly values, the monthly capacity for each type was modeled in advance, using the following polynomial regression model:

$$C_m = [\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}]_+ , \qquad (6.1)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = (1, m, m^2, m^3) , \qquad (6.2)$$

$$\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3)' , \qquad (6.3)$$

where  $C_m$  is the total capacity of the  $m^{th}$  month,  $\mathbf{X}$  is the design vector of variable m, and  $\beta$  is the coefficient vector for  $\mathbf{X}$ . Note that  $[\cdot]_+$  is a hinge function.

# **6.1.2** Module Temperature Model

Operating temperature and module performance are closely related, and this relationship has been extensively investigated [59]. Nominal operation cell temperature (NOCT) has been used as an indicator of PV module temperature [3]. In the present study, since the local air temperature and wind speed were available as input data, we adopted a more detailed model, namely, Sandia's module temperature model [40]. Since the typical temperature difference between the cell and the module has been reported to be 2 to 3 °C for flat-plate modules at an irradiance level of 1 kW/m<sup>2</sup>, we assumed that the module temperature  $T_{i,t}^{(module)}$  was

approximately the same as the cell temperature  $T_{i,t}^{(cell)}$ . The proposed model is expressed by the following equation:

$$T_{i,t}^{(cell)} \approx T_{i,t}^{(module)} = T_{i,t}^{(air)} + r_{i,t} \exp(\beta_m + \gamma_m s_{i,t})$$
, (6.4)

where subscripts t and m indicate data related to the elapsed time in hours and in months, respectively, subscript i indicates data related to the  $i^{th}$  observatory or its coverage area,  $T_{i,t}^{(air)}$  is the air temperature [°C],  $r_{i,t}$  is the global solar radiation [W/m<sup>2</sup>],  $s_{i,t}$  is the wind speed [m/s], and  $\beta_m$  and  $\gamma_m$  are Sandia's empirically determined coefficients, which vary depending on module type.

#### **6.1.3** Hourly PV Power Models

We made the model as simple as possible so that it could be easily understood by utility practitioners without losing the essential features of the PV generation mechanism. In most studies, conventional PV system parameters are treated as fixed values [e.g., 75] since the PV data are obtained from a limited number of PV firms with uniform PV system specifications. However, in our case, it is natural to use PV system parameters which vary monthly since the target PV power comes from various types of PV systems, and the proportions coming from the various system types vary daily. The proposed hourly PV power models, which consist of a local area model (Eq. 6.5) and a total area model (Eq. 6.6), are expressed by the following equations:

$$p_{i,t} = \eta_m \left( w_{i,m} \ c_t \ r_{i,t} \right)^{\delta_m} \kappa_{i,t} \,, \tag{6.5}$$

$$p_t = \sum_{i=1}^9 p_{i,t} , \qquad (6.6)$$

where  $p_{i,t}$  is the hourly PV power from the  $i^{th}$  area,  $c_t$  is the hourly total capacity obtained via spline-interpolation with monthly total capacity  $C_m$  (see Section 6.1.1),  $w_{i,m}$  is the weight for the total capacity to make local capacities, and  $\eta_m$  and  $\delta_m$  are the PV-conversion coefficient and factor, respectively. The basic modeling concept is that the hourly PV power is proportional  $(\eta_m)$  to the product of the installed PV capacity  $(w_{i,m} \ c_t)$  and solar radiation  $(r_{i,t})$ , with a slight nonlinearity  $(\delta_m \approx 1)$ . In order to take into consideration efficiency drops caused by temperature and wind, we used the cell temperature factor [32]  $\kappa_{i,t} = 1 + \alpha_m \left(T_{i,t}^{(cell)} - 25\right)/100$ , where  $\alpha_m$  is the maximum-power temperature coefficient.

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#### SSMs Representation for PV Power Models 6.1.4

The hourly PV power models and their parameters, described in the previous subsections, were incorporated in the following SSMs. Using the EnKF, each state of the SSMs was represented as a distribution by ensemble members (typically 50–1000 members). The prediction distribution or one-step-ahead forecast of each state was calculated using the ensemble square-root filter (EnSRF) [74], as follows:

$$y_m = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_m + W_m \,, \tag{6.7}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = (\underbrace{1, \cdots, 1}_{9}, 0, \cdots, 0), \qquad (6.8)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{m} = f(\mathbf{x}_{m-1}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{v}_{m}),$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (P_{1,m}, \dots, P_{9,m})' \\ h(w_{1,m}, a^{(w1)}, b^{(w1)}) \\ \vdots \\ h(w_{9,m}, a^{(w9)}, b^{(w9)}) \\ h(n, a^{(\eta)}, b^{(\eta)}) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(6.10)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{m} = \begin{pmatrix} (P_{1,m}, \dots, P_{9,m})' \\ h(w_{1,m}, a^{(w1)}, b^{(w1)}) \\ \vdots \\ h(w_{9,m}, a^{(w9)}, b^{(w9)}) \\ h(\eta_{m}, a^{(\eta)}, b^{(\eta)}) \\ h(\delta_{m}, a^{(\delta)}, b^{(\delta)}) \\ h(\alpha_{m}, a^{(\beta)}, b^{(\beta)}) \\ h(\beta_{m}, a^{(\beta)}, b^{(\beta)}) \\ h(\gamma_{m}, a^{(\gamma)}, b^{(\gamma)}) \end{pmatrix},$$
(6.10)

$$h(x,a,b) := \log\left(\frac{x-a}{b-x}\right),$$
 (6.11)

$$P_{i,m} = \sum_{t=t_m}^{t_{m+1}-1} p_{i,t} , \qquad (6.12)$$

where  $y_m$  is the observation which is the total monthly purchase volume [GWh],  $\mathbf{x}_m$  is the state vector,  $\mathbf{H}$  is the observation vector. f is the system model function which transforms a filtering distribution to a prediction distribution with a first-order trend model (i.e.,  $x_m =$  $x_{m-1} + v$ ; x. and v are a state variable and system noise, respectively). Moreover, c, r, s, and T are the hourly PV capacities, solar radiation, wind speed, and air temperature in the  $m^{th}$ month, respectively. The function h is the map function such that  $h: x \in (a,b) \longmapsto (-\infty,\infty)$ and a and b are the lower and upper limits for a state variable x (i.e., a < x < b). The term  $W_m$  is the observation noise such that  $\{W_m\} \sim \text{i.i.d. } \mathcal{N}(0, R)$ , where R is the variance of the observation noise. Also,  $\mathbf{v}_m$  is the system noise vector such that each element  $\{v_m^{(i)}\}$ i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}(0, R/L_i)$ , where  $L_i$  is a trade-off parameter and  $i = 1, \dots, N_v$  (size of  $\mathbf{v}_m$ ).

 $P_{i,m}$  is the monthly purchase volume from the  $i^{th}$  area, and  $t_m$  denotes the first hour of the  $m^{th}$  month. This monthly volume is calculated by using hourly power  $p_{i,t}$ :

$$p_{i,t} = \eta_m \left( w_{i,m} \ c_t \ r_{i,t} \right)^{\delta_m} \kappa_{i,t} \tag{6.13}$$

$$= \eta_m \left( w_{i,m} c_t r_{i,t} \right)^{\delta_m} \left[ 1 + \alpha_m \{ T_{i,t}^{(cell)} - 25 \} / 100 \right]$$
 (6.14)

$$= \eta_m \left( w_{i,m} c_t r_{i,t} \right)^{\delta_m} \left[ 1 + \alpha_m \left\{ T_{i,t}^{(air)} + r_{i,t} \exp\left(\beta_m + \gamma_m s_{i,t}\right) - 25 \right\} / 100 \right], \tag{6.15}$$

where  $c_t$ ,  $r_{i,t}$ ,  $s_{i,t}$  and  $T_{i,t}^{(air)}$  are elements of the hourly PV capacity vector  $\mathbf{c}$ , the weather data matrices  $\mathbf{T}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $\mathbf{s}$ , respectively.

6.1 Methods

# **6.1.5** Flowchart of Proposed Ensemble Method

The proposed method is performed in accordance with the following calculation flow. This process was performed individually for each type of supplier.

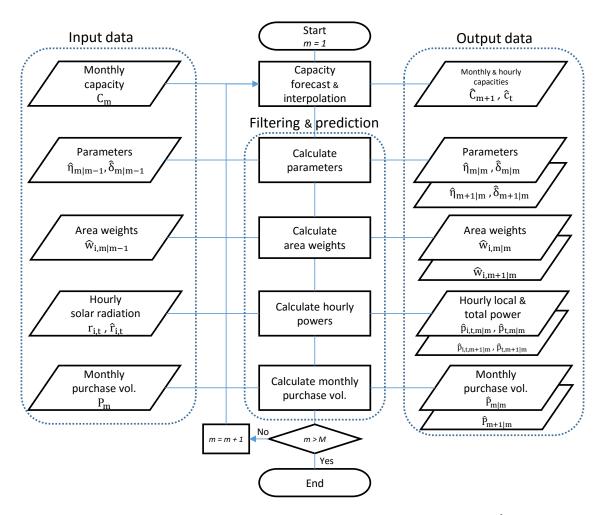


Fig. 6.1 Flowchart of the proposed ensemble method immediately after the  $m^{th}$  month. Here, m and M are the month indicator and the maximum value of m, respectively. From this process, we obtain the filtering (m|m) and prediction distributions (m+1|m) for all state variables. Note that  $\hat{\cdot}$  expresses the estimated value.

# **6.2** Experiment

We applied the proposed model to PV purchase volumes of both types. Thus, the PV system parameters, namely, the local and the total powers, were estimated separately according to the type. As for the limits for  $w_{i,m}$  in Eq. 6.5, we used  $\pm 20\%$  of the capacity rates (see Figs. 2.5 and 2.6). For the other parameters,  $0.0 < \eta_m < 1.0$ ,  $0.0 < \delta_m < 2.0$ ,  $-0.5 < \alpha_m < -0.2$ ,  $-4.0 < \beta_m < -2.0$ , and  $-0.2 < \gamma_m < 0.0$ . The limits for  $\alpha_m$ ,  $\beta_m$ , and  $\gamma_m$  were taken from the literature [32, 40].

Table 6.1 shows the type of input data used to obtain a distribution of the state (i.e., local and total PV powers and PV system parameters) in the experiment. For a filtering distribution, given all the observations, the local and total PV powers, and the system parameters were estimated. For a prediction distribution, all given data must be forecast. However, weather observation was used to avoid weather forecasting error and precisely assess the accuracy of the proposed model.

The prediction distribution is used to estimate the local and total PV powers intended for use in utility PV forecasting operations. On the other hand, the filtering distribution, as well as the smoothing distribution, is used for system-parameter estimation and structural analysis for retrospective evaluation. Since filtered PV system parameters, as well as hourly powers, have important analytical information, the filtering errors were also examined, as shown in the tables in Section 6.3, in order to understand the quality of the analysis.

| State distribution | Purchase volume | Capacity    | Weather                  |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Filtering          | Observation     | Observation | Observation              |
| Prediction         | _               | Forecast    | Observation <sup>a</sup> |

Table 6.1 Data types used in the experiment

#### **6.2.1** Benchmark Model

As a benchmark model for accuracy comparison, we used an hourly PV power model which has been in operational use [29]. Forecasts were calculated with weather observations. The model consists of three well-known models. The hourly PV power is estimated using the following procedure:

First, by using the Erbs model [17], the hourly global horizontal solar radiation is split into its beam and diffuse components. Second, using the Perez diffuse irradiance model [54],

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> In actual operation, weather forecast will be used.

these components are combined into hourly irradiance on tilted planes. Finally, the hourly irradiance is converted to PV power using a simple linear regression model.

### **6.3** Results and Discussion

# 6.3.1 Hourly Interpolation of Monthly Installed PV Capacity

Figure 6.2 shows plots of monthly reported installed PV capacities and interpolated hourly capacities. Each polynomial regression model fit the reported monthly PV capacities very well, and thus, accurate forecasts were obtained.

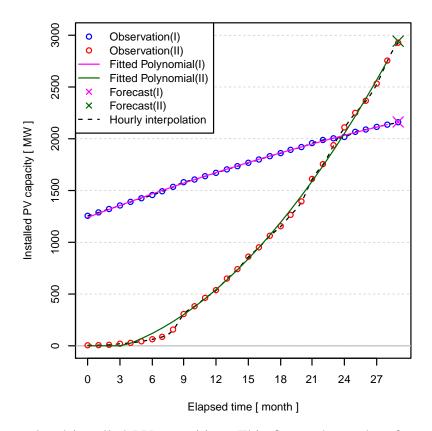


Fig. 6.2 Interpolated installed PV capacities. This figure shows data for an example of fitting a polynomial regression model, with a one-step-ahead forecast of the last month, for each supplier. Observations (circles) were monthly reported installed PV capacities. Fitted values (solid lines) and forecast values (crosses) were calculated with the polynomial regression. Hourly interpolations (dashed lines) were spline-interpolated values. Here, (I) and (II) indicate type-I and type-II suppliers, respectively.

#### **6.3.2** Data Assimilation of Monthly PV Purchase Volumes

Figures 6.3 and 6.4 show the data-assimilation results—the one-step-ahead forecasts of states—for type-I and type-II suppliers, respectively. The area within one-standard deviation of the mean of the prediction distribution is shown in gray, and we can understand how a state variable (i.e., any of local purchase volumes, weights, and parameters) converges from its behavior. The convergence pattern of each state variable was similar for the type-I and type-II suppliers. The PV conversion factor  $\delta_m$  quickly converged after the sixth month. Here,  $\eta_m$  slowly converged, changing its mean.

On the other hand, the other weather related parameters, namely,  $\alpha_m$ ,  $\beta_m$ , and  $\gamma_m$ , exhibited poor convergence, though the parameters began to change when the PV investment boom began at the  $22^{nd}$  month. The most likely explanation for this phenomenon is that these parameters were well adjusted from the beginning, with the narrow limits obtained from the literature and a preliminary study (see Section 6.2). Another explanation for this phenomenon is that the effects of weather on the efficiency of a PV system are limited (10% at most), which prevents the parameters from converging. According to a previous study [32], the cell temperature factor  $\kappa_{i,m}$  ranges from 91% to 94% in August and 100% to 103% in February.

Moreover, the weights  $w_{i,m}$  did not change significantly, in contrast to our expectations. The PV system penetration rate might be approximately the same in each local area for the period evaluated. Each local PV power can be affected by other local PV powers through the weights  $w_{i,m}$ . However, the straight lines representing the weights suggest that almost no correlation exists. Further investigation of the weights is required.

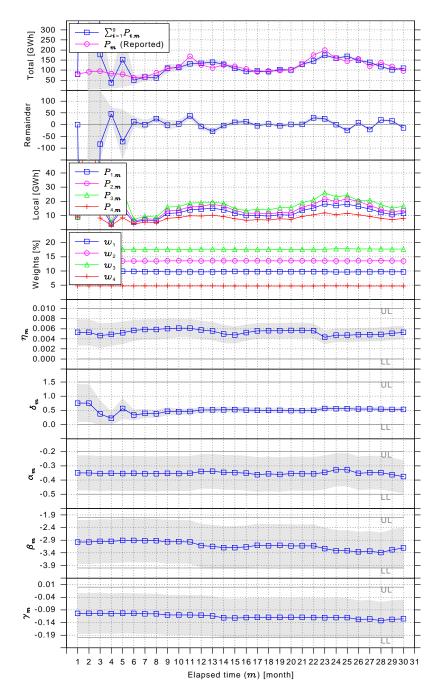


Fig. 6.3 One-step-ahead forecasts for the type-I supplier. Each solid line shows the mean of prediction ensemble members. The region (gray area) surrounding the line indicates the area within one-standard deviation of the mean. In the top panel,  $P_m$  shows the reported PV purchase volumes, and  $\sum_{i=1}^{9} P_{i,m}$  shows the forecasts. The second panel shows the remainder which is  $P_m - \sum_{i=1}^{9} P_{i,m}$ . The third panel shows the forecasts of the local PV purchase volumes. The fourth panel shows the weights for the total capacity to make the local capacity. Since the graphic space is limited, only the first four local volumes and corresponding weights are shown. The following five panels show model parameters.

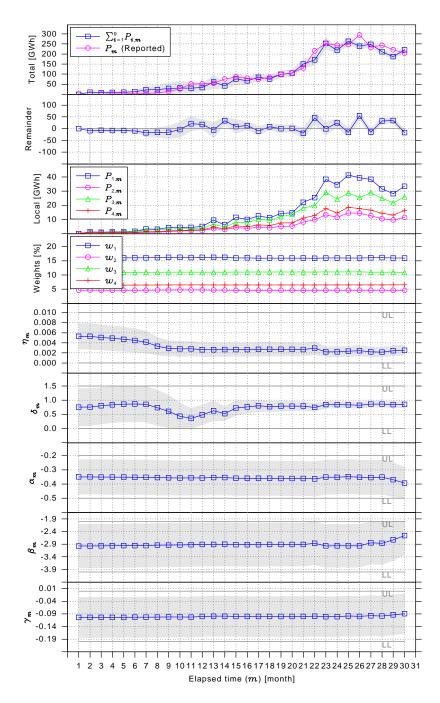


Fig. 6.4 One-step-ahead forecasts for the type-II supplier.

### **6.3.3** PV Efficiency Indicators

In most studies, conventional PV conversion efficiency is treated as a fixed value [e.g., 75] since the PV data were from a limited number of PV firms with uniform PV system specifications. However, in our case, it is natural to use the PV conversion coefficient  $\eta_m$  that is time-varying on a monthly basis since the target PV power comes from a mixture of all types of PV systems, and the mixture rate has been changing day by day. Using the PV-conversion factor  $\delta_m$ , we expressed the nonlinearity of PV power caused by efficiency change as mostly due to the variability of photovoltaic cell temperatures; however, as another enhanced model, one can use the cell temperature factor  $(1+\kappa)(PCT-25)$  [32], where PCT is the photovoltaic cell temperature and  $\kappa$  is a negative coefficient  $(-0.5 < \kappa < -0.2)$ .

### 6.3.4 Hourly PV Power

Using the estimated PV system parameters ( $\eta_m$ ,  $\delta_m$ ,  $\alpha_m$ ,  $\beta_m$ , and  $\gamma_m$ ) and weights ( $w_{i,m}$ ) along with the exogenous variables ( $c_t$ ,  $r_{i,t}$ ,  $s_{i,t}$ , and  $T_{i,t}^{(air)}$ ), the hourly PV power can be calculated using the PV power models (see Eqs. 6.5 and 6.6). Figure 6.5 shows examples of hourly PV power forecasts using the proposed model and the benchmark model for a fortnight in May 2014. Although curve shapes of these forecasts were similar, the forecasts obtained using the proposed model were smoother than those provided by the benchmark model. The forecasts obtained using the proposed model for type-I suppliers were relatively lower than those of the benchmark model on these specific days.

Since no true curve of hourly PV power was available, we compared the curve for the proposed model with that for the benchmark model, the shape of which was verified by utility experts to be very similar to the true curve in a preliminary experiment. With this visual curve-shape comparison, validation of the proposed model as an hourly PV power model was performed.

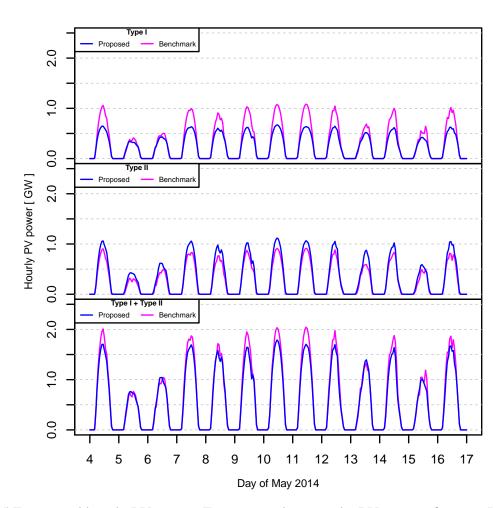


Fig. 6.5 Forecasted hourly PV power. From top to bottom, the PV powers for type-I suppliers, type-II suppliers, and both type-I and type-II suppliers for the proposed and benchmark models.

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### **6.3.5** Accuracy Evaluation

As a target purchase volume for accuracy evaluation, we used the total purchase volume of both types (i.e., type I + type II), since the total PV power is our primary interest in terms of load forecasting. Figures 6.6, 6.7, and 6.8 show the forecasts, forecasting errors, and percentage errors, respectively. Table 6.2 shows the *MAPE*s and *SD*s of *PE*s, and Table 6.3 shows the *MAE*s, *MBE*s, and *RMSE*s. Table 6.4 shows statistical test results for accuracy improvement based on the Diebold-Mariano test.

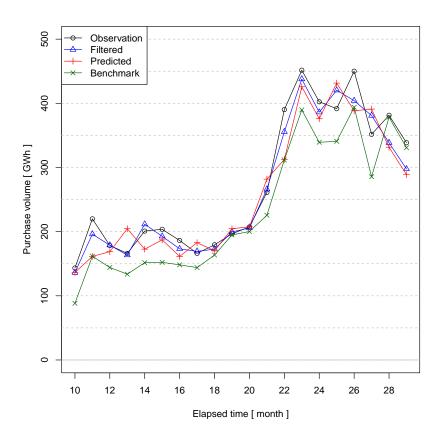


Fig. 6.6 Forecasts of total PV purchase volumes in 2013–2014. "Observation" indicates the reported PV purchase volume (type I + type II), "Filtered" indicates the means of the filtering distribution, and "Predicted" indicates the means of the prediction distribution.

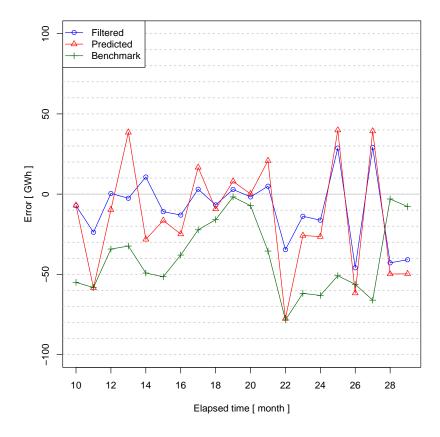


Fig. 6.7 Forecasting errors of total PV purchase volumes in 2013–2014

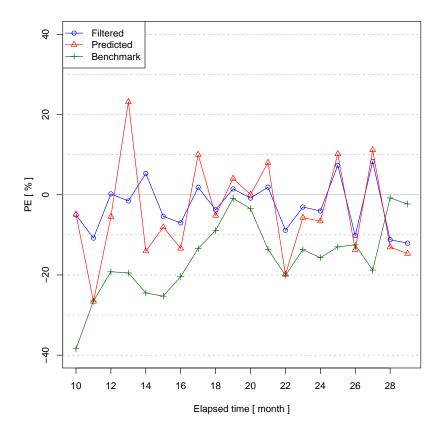


Fig. 6.8 Percentage errors of total PV purchase volumes in 2013–2014

Table 6.2 MAPEs and SDs for 2013 and 2014

| Term (Year) | I        | MAPE [%]            | [%]                |          | SD [%]              | [0                 |
|-------------|----------|---------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------------|--------------------|
|             | Filt.    | Pred.               | Filt. Pred. Bench. | Filt.    | Pred.               | Filt. Pred. Bench. |
|             | (n = 20) | (n = 20) $(n = 20)$ | (n = 20)           | (n = 20) | (n = 20) $(n = 20)$ | (n = 20)           |
| 2013        | 4.54     | 4.54 12.32          | 21.79              | 4.90     | 4.90 14.35          | 8.43               |
| 2014        | 6.30     | 6.30 9.73           | 10.45              | 7.21     | 10.99               | 7.22               |
| 2013–2014   | 5.51     | 5.51 10.90          | 15.55              | 6.12     | 6.12 12.27          | 9.53               |
|             |          |                     |                    |          |                     |                    |

Note. 'Filt.' denotes filtering errors. 'Pred.' denotes forecasting errors. 'Bench.' denotes forecasting errors of the benchmark model

Table 6.3 MAEs, MBEs, and RMSEs for 2013 and 2014

| Term (Year) | M        | MAE [GWh] | Vh]             | M        | MBE [GWh]           | h]           | RA       | RMSE [GWh]                     | Wh]      |
|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----------|---------------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|
|             | Filt.    |           | Pred. Bench.    | Filt.    | Pred.               | Pred. Bench. | Filt.    | Filt. Pred. Bench.             | Bench.   |
|             | (n = 20) | (n = 20)  | (n=20) $(n=20)$ | (n = 20) | (n = 20)            | (n = 20)     | (n = 20) | (n = 20) $(n = 20)$ $(n = 20)$ | (n = 20) |
| 2013        | 8.71     | .71 23.26 | 39.66           | -5.58    | -5.58 -11.01 -39.66 | -39.66       | 10.97    | 10.97 28.09                    | 42.06    |
| 2014        | 23.79    | 36.29     | 39.29           | -11.86   | -11.86 -16.65       | -39.29       | 28.56    | 42.41                          | 48.14    |
| 2013–2014   | 17.00    | 30.43     | 39.46           | -9.03    | -9.03 -14.11        | -39.46       | 22.43    | 36.66                          | 45.50    |

Table 6.4 Diebold-Mariano statistics in 2013–2014

|       | Pred.    | Bench.   |
|-------|----------|----------|
| Filt. | -5.1 *** | -4.0 *** |
| Pred. |          | -1.7.    |

*Note.* p-values based on the Diebold-Mariano test were coded with the significance codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Loss function power = 1.0. An alternative hypothesis is that the column method is less accurate than the row method.

#### **Forecasting Accuracy and Bias**

Regarding the overall accuracy (i.e., 2013–2014), the proposed model significantly outperformed the benchmark model, with the exception of SD, as shown by the results in Tables 6.2, 6.3, and 6.4. Compared with the benchmark model, the forecasts obtained using the proposed model had high variability (SD = 12.27). On this point, there is room for further improvement. In Table 6.3, the forecasting bias (MBE = -14.11) was drastically reduced compared with that of the benchmark model. Thus, the severe bias problem was settled.

Regarding the filtering results, the proposed model had high accuracy (MAPE = 5.51), low bias (MBE = -9.03), and low variability (SD = 6.12), which ensures that analyzed PV system parameters and weights are reliable. Based on the filtering results for one month, the precise PV system parameters and weights can be obtained. Estimation of an entire utility service area has not been possible until this time.

#### **Error Sources for PV Forecasting**

Let us consider sources of forecasting error. For physics-based error sources, we have to consider the effects of solar irradiance, air temperature, wind speed, autoregressive components of PV, cloud cover, atmospheric pressure, conversion efficiency, installation angles and dust accumulation on PV panels [76]. In addition, the PV capacity forecasting errors, and the difference between observatory locations and dense installation areas of PV systems, may be major error sources. For human-based error sources, the PV purchase volume in a calendar month always includes the errors from two adjacent months. In other words, the reported volumes were not true volumes for a calendar month. This happens because a limited number of meter-reading staff members visit different areas in turn to measure the amount of generated PV power at houses.

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Although it is very difficult to take into consideration all significant error sources in modeling, we have started to develop a more elaborate physics-based model by which to improve forecasting accuracy and PV efficiency analysis.

## Chapter 7

## **Summary and Conclusions**

In this thesis, we have proposed a novel modeling framework for load forecasting and analysis. The forecasting accuracy of each of the proposed models was compared with those of the existing state-of-the-art models. Two benchmarks and two utility operational models were implemented, and their accuracies were calculated under the same conditions. Although the proposed models are within the framework of SSMs, which usually underperform compared to black-box approaches, the proposed models significantly outperformed one of the utility models (by 0.7 points for all days); this demonstrates that the proposed models reached operational accuracy. Also, the proposed models were compared with the two sets of SSMs whose results were taken from the literature. Superiority over the existing SSMs was also demonstrated by the fact that the proposed models outperformed the existing SSMs by more than 0.6, 0.3, and 2.1 points at 9 AM, 12 AM, and in every hour, respectively, while providing more enriched load-analysis information than has been obtained with the existing SSMs.

In order to solve the emerging problem caused by the recent PV investment boom, we also proposed the PV power forecasting method in the same modeling framework as the load forecasting. The proposed method can enhance the hourly PV power model by incorporating the monthly PV purchase volume, which contributed to directly solving the problem confronting most utilities. The effectiveness of the proposed method was demonstrated experimentally. In fact, the proposed method significantly outperformed the existing physics-based model that is currently in use. On these grounds, we have come to the conclusion that the proposed method is one of the most promising approaches for forecasting short-term purchased PV power and PV efficiency analysis.

The combination of SSMs and the EnKF provide us with new and precise information about the load structure and the weather response. Therefore, it is no longer necessary for a utility to perform a look-back analysis of the load response; this reduces the operator's workload and provides rational explanations for the low accuracy that sometimes occurs in practice. These sophisticated indicators will drastically reduce the cost when a utility must purchase energy from another utility or must use pumped-stored hydropower.

The EnKF has been proven to be one of the most successful techniques for modeling meteorological and oceanographic phenomena. It is noteworthy that this is the first attempt to use the EnKF for load forecasting and analysis. It was demonstrated that the EnKF holds great promise in that area as well.

This thesis illustrated many modeling techniques that are based on the empirical knowledge of utility professionals; hence, we hope that it will also be of great help to those who are interested in load forecasting in academic fields. We expect that with our method, utility practitioners will be able to efficiently analyze the load structure and perform accurate daily forecasts.

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# **Appendix A**

### **A.1** Fortran Sample Code

```
2 ! Ensemble Filters
4 ! Input
5 !
         Xp : Prediction distribution matrix
             : Observation matrix
6!
          Н
         R : Observation noise covariance (assumed diagonal matrix)
         y_t : Observations at time t
         N_Y : Number of observations
         N_KX : State vector size
10 !
         N_M : Ensemble size
           t : time t [hours] (used only for seeds of PF-resampling)
14 ! Output
         Xf : Filtering distribution matrix
17 ! Copyright(C) 2016 Hisashi Takeda. All Rights Reserved.
18 !-----
19 ! NB: Use Intel@Math Kernel Library for matrix operations
20 ! NB: Use compiler's automatic zero-initialization for all of variables, arrays and matrices
22 module Ensemble_Filters
      use f95_precision, only: wp => dp
24
      use blas95,
                        only: gemm
      use lapack95,
                        only: potrf, potri, trtri, syevd, gesvd
      use GenRVs_mo
27
28
     implicit none
     contains
31
      ! Ensemble Kalman Filter with Perturbed Obserbations (EnKF/PO)
32
33
      subroutine EnKf_PO (Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_Y, N_KX, N_M)
34
35
          integer, intent(in)
                                          :: N_Y, N_KX, N_M
37
          real(wp), intent(in)
                                         :: Xp(N_KX, N_M), H(N_Y, N_KX), R(N_Y, N_Y), y_t(N_Y)
          real(wp), intent(inout)
                                          :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
38
          real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_M) :: mXp, dXp, K_INOV
39
          real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_KX) :: Vp
          real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_Y) :: VpHt, K
          real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_M) :: A1
42
          real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_M) :: Y, Yp, W0, W
43
          real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_Y) :: HVpHt, U, Ainv
                                          :: Ninv, Ninv_ub
45
          real(wp)
          integer
                                           :: i_y
          do i_y = 1, N_Y
48
               Y(i_y, :) = y_t(i_y)
49
              \label{eq:w0} \mbox{WO(i\_y, :) = GenNorm (N\_M, 0.\_wp, } \mbox{sqrt}(\mbox{R(i\_y, i\_y)), i\_y})
```

```
end do
           Ninv
                 = 1._{wp} / dble(N_M)
53
           Ninv_ub = 1._wp / (dble(N_M) - 1._wp)
54
55
56
           W = W0
           call gemm (WO, A1, W, 'n', 'n', -Ninv, 1._wp) ! Mean adjusted W
58
           A1 = 1._wp
59
           call gemm (Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', Ninv, 0._wp) ! mXp = Xp * A1 / N_M
60
           dXp = Xp - mXp
           call gemm (dXp, dXp,
                                  Vp, 'n', 't', Ninv_u, 0._wp) ! Vp = 1/(N-1) * dXp * dXp'
64
           call gemm (Vp, H, VpHt, 'n', 't') !
65
           call gemm (H, VpHt, HVpHt, 'n', 'n') !
66
           ! Cholesky decomposition, UUt is positive definite
69
           U = HVpHt + R ! = A = UU'
           call potrf (U, 'U')
70
          Ainv = U
71
           call potri (Ainv, 'U') ! [HVpHt+R]^{-1}
                                                             = VpHt[HVpHt+R]^{-1}
                                         K, 'n', 'n') ! K
74
           call gemm (VpHt,
                              Ainv,
                                Хр,
                                        Yp, 'n', 'n') ! Yp
                                                             = H * Xp
75
           call gemm (H,
           call gemm (K, Y + W - Yp, K_INOV, 'n', 'n') ! K_INOV = K * (Y + sW - yhat)
76
77
78
           Xf = Xp + K_INOV
       end subroutine EnKf_PO
80
81
82
83
       ! Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter (EAKF)
       |-----
       subroutine EAKF (Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_Y, N_KX, N_M)
85
86
                                                 :: EPS = 1.d-3
          real(wp), parameter
87
88
          integer, intent(in)
                                                 :: N_Y, N_KX, N_M
           real(wp), intent(in)
                                                :: Xp(N_KX, N_M), H(N_Y, N_KX), R(N_Y, N_Y), y_t(N_Y)
          real(wp), intent(inout)
                                                 :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
          real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_M)
                                                :: mXp, mXf, dXp, dXf, U0, UGVt
91
          real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_M)
                                                 :: A1
92
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_M)
                                                 :: Y, mYp
93
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_Y)
                                                 :: Rinv
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_Y)
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_KX)
                                                 :: A
96
           real(wp), allocatable, dimension(:, :) :: G, Ginv, GinvUt, U, UG, HUG
97
98
           real(wp), allocatable, dimension(:, :) :: Z, UGZ, I_Binv, I_Binvsq
99
           real(wp), allocatable, dimension(:, :) :: UGZ_I_Binv, UGZ_I_Binvsq, UGZ_I_Binv_Zt
           real(wp), allocatable, dimension(:, :) :: GtUtHtRinv, ZBZt
101
           real(wp), allocatable, dimension(:)
                                                 :: sigma, lambda
           real(wp)
102
                                                 :: sigma_sum
           integer
                                                 :: i_m, i, n_min, N_R, i_N_R
103
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```
104
            do concurrent (i_m = 1:N_M)
105
                Y(:, i_m) = y_t
106
            end do
107
108
109
            A1 = 1.\_wp
            call gemm (Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', 1._wp / dble(N_M), 0._wp) ! mXp = Xp * A1 / N_M
110
            mXf = mXp
            dXp = Xp - mXp
114
            n_min = min(N_KX, N_M)
116
            allocate ( sigma(n_min) )
            UGVt = dXp
118
            call gesvd (UGVt, sigma, U0) ! Singular value decomposition
119
            sigma_sum = sum(sigma)
            do i = 1, n_min
                if (sigma(i) / sigma_sum > EPS) N_R = N_R + 1 ! To be compact SVD
            end do
124
125
             \label{eq:locate} \textbf{allocate}(\ \texttt{G(N\_R,\ N\_R),\ } \texttt{Ginv(N\_R,\ N\_R),\ } \texttt{U(N\_KX,\ N\_R),\ } \texttt{UG(N\_KX,\ N\_R),\ } \texttt{HUG(N\_Y,\ N\_R)} \ ) 
            allocate( GtUtHtRinv(N_R, N_Y), ZBZt(N_R, N_R), Z(N_R, N_R), lambda(N_R) )
127
128
            U = U0(1:N_KX, 1:N_R)
129
130
131
            do concurrent (i = 1:N_R)
                                                ! Diagonal matrix with singular value entries
132
                G (i, i) = sigma(i)
                Ginv(i, i) = 1._wp / sigma(i) ! Moor-Penrose pseudoinverse
            end do
134
135
            Rinv = 1.\_wp / ((dble(N_M) - 1.\_wp) * R) ! [(N-1)R]^{-1}
136
            call gemm (U,
                                      G,
                                                  UG, 'n', 'n') ! UG
            call gemm (H,
                                      UG,
                                                  HUG, 'n', 'n') ! HUG
138
            call gemm (HUG,
                                    Rinv, GtUtHtRinv, 't', 'n') ! (HUG)'[(N-1)R]^{-1}
139
            call gemm (GtUtHtRinv, HUG,
                                                ZBZt, 'n', 'n') ! ZBZt = (HUG)'[(N-1)R]^{-1}HUG
140
141
            ! Eigendecomposition
            Z = ZBZt
            call syevd (Z, lambda, 'V')
144
145
            allocate ( I_Binv(N_R, N_R), I_Binvsq(N_R, N_R) )
146
            ! B: Diagonal matrix with eigenvalue entries(Lambda)
            do concurrent (i_N_R = 1:N_R)
149
                I_Binv (i_N_R, i_N_R) = 1._wp / (1._wp + lambda(i_N_R))
                                                                                ! [I+B]^{-1}
150
151
                I_Binvsq(i_N_R, i_N_R) = 1.\_wp / sqrt(1.\_wp + lambda(i_N_R)) ! [I+B]^{-1/2}
152
            end do
153
154
            allocate ( UGZ(N_KX, N_R), UGZ_I_Binv(N_KX, N_R), UGZ_I_Binvsq(N_KX, N_R), GinvUt(N_R, N_KX) )
            allocate ( UGZ_I_Binv_Zt(N_KX, N_R) )
155
156
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```
UGZ, 'n', 'n') ! UGZ
            call gemm (UG,
                                                Ζ,
            call gemm (UGZ,
                                                       UGZ_I_Binv, 'n', 'n') ! UGZ[I+B]^{-1}
158
                                           I_Binv,
                                                Z, UGZ_I_Binv_Zt, 'n', 't') ! UGZ[I+B]^{-1}Z'
            call gemm (UGZ_I_Binv,
159
            call gemm (UGZ_I_Binv_Zt, GtUtHtRinv,
                                                               mK, 'n', 'n') ! mK
160
            call gemm (UGZ,
                              I\_Binvsq, \quad UGZ\_I\_Binvsq, \quad 'n', \quad 'n') \quad ! \quad UGZ[I+B]^{-1/2}
161
                                                           GinvUt, 'n', 't') ! G^{+}U'
           call gemm (Ginv,
                                               U.
            call gemm (UGZ_I_Binvsq,
                                           GinvUt,
                                                               A, 'n', 'n')
                                                             mYp, 'n', 'n')
           call gemm (H,
                                            mХр,
164
                                                             mXf, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp) ! mXf
           call gemm (mK,
165
                                          Y - mYp,
           call gemm (A,
                                              dXp,
                                                              dXf, 'n', 'n')
                                                                                             ! dXf
166
           Xf = mXf + dXf
       end subroutine EAKF
170
171
172
       ! Ensemble Square-Root Filter (EnSRF)
173
175
       subroutine EnSRF (Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_Y, N_KX, N_M)
176
            integer, intent(in)
                                              :: N_Y, N_KX, N_M
178
           real(wp), intent(in)
                                              :: Xp(N_KX, N_M), H(N_Y, N_KX), R(N_Y, N_Y), y_t(N_Y)
            real(wp), intent(inout)
                                              :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
179
180
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_M) :: mXp, mXf, dXp, dXf
           real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_M)
                                             :: A1
181
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_KX) :: dK_H
182
183
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_M) :: mYp, Y
           real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_Y) :: dXpt_Ht
            real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_Y) :: dXp_dXpt_Ht, dXp_dXpt_Ht_Utinv, mK, dK
185
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_Y) :: UUt, U, Uinv, Utinv, U_Vinv, V
186
           integer i, j
187
188
            do concurrent (j = 1:N_M)
                Y(:, j) = y_t
            end do
191
192
            A1 = 1._wp
193
            call gemm (Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', 1._wp / dble(N_M), 0._wp) ! mXp = Xp * A1 / Nm
194
            dXp = Xp - mXp
196
            mXf = mXp
197
            dXf = dXp
198
199
            call gemm (dXp, H, dXpt_Ht, 't', 't')
            call gemm (dXp, dXpt_Ht, dXp_dXpt_Ht)
202
            ! Cholesky decomposition for a diagonal matrix (N-1)R
203
204
            do i = 1. N Y
205
                V(i, i) = \operatorname{sqrt}(\operatorname{dble}(N_M - 1) * R(i, i))
            end do
207
            UUt = dble(N_M - 1) * R
208
            call gemm (H, dXp_dXpt_Ht, UUt, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp)
209
```

```
! Cholesky decomposition, UUt is the positive definite
211
          U = UUt
          call potrf (U, 'U')
214
          ! Set 0 in the lower triangle
          do j = 1, (N_Y - 1)
              U((j + 1):N_Y, j) = 0.wp
          end do
218
219
          Utinv = transpose(U)
          call trtri (Utinv, 'L')! U'^{-1}
          Uinv = U
          call trtri (Uinv, 'U')! U^{-1}
224
225
          U_Vinv = U + V
          call trtri (U_Vinv, 'U') ! (U + V)^{-1}
228
          call gemm (dXp_dXpt_Ht, Utinv, dXp_dXpt_Ht_Utinv)
          call gemm (dXp_dXpt_Ht_Utinv, Uinv, mK)
                                                              ! mK
230
231
          call gemm (dXp_dXpt_Ht_Utinv, U_Vinv, dK)
                                                              ! dK
          call gemm (H, mXp, mYp)
                                                              ! mYp = H * mXp
          call gemm (dK,
                              H, dK_H)
                                                              ! dK * H
234
          call gemm (dK_H, dXp, dXf, 'n', 'n', -1._{wp}, 1._{wp}) ! dXf = dXp - dK * H * dXp
235
236
237
          Xf = mXf + dXf
238
239
       end subroutine EnSRF
240
241
       ! EnSRF for univariate time series
       ļ_____
       subroutine EnSRF_uni(Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_K, N_M)
244
245
                                                     :: N_M, N_K
          integer, intent(in)
246
247
          real(wp), intent(in)
                                                      :: y_t, R
          real(wp), intent(in),
                                  dimension ( 1, N_K) :: H
          real(wp), intent(in),
                                  dimension (N_K, N_M) :: Xp
          real(wp), intent(inout), dimension (N_K, N_M) :: Xf
250
                                  dimension (N_K, N_M) :: mXp, mXf, dXp, dXf
251
          real(wp),
          real(wp),
                                  dimension (N_M, N_M) :: A1
252
          real(wp),
                                  dimension (N_K, N_K) :: dK_H
                                  dimension ( 1, N_M) :: mYp
          real(wp),
          real(wp),
                                  dimension (N_M, 1)
                                                     :: dXpt_Ht
255
                                  dimension (N_K, 1) :: dXp_dXpt_Ht, mK, dK
256
          real(wp),
257
          real(wp),
                                  dimension ( 1, 1) :: UUt
258
          real(wp)
                                                     :: U, V
          A1 = 1.\_wp
260
          call gemm(Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', 1._wp / dble(N_M), 0._wp)
261
262
```

```
dXp = Xp - mXp
           mXf = mXp
264
           dXf = dXp
265
266
                                                 't', 't')
           call gemm(dXp, H, dXpt_Ht,
267
           call gemm(dXp, dXpt_Ht, dXp_dXpt_Ht, 'n', 'n')
           UUt = dble(N_M - 1) * R
270
           call gemm(H, dXp_dXpt_Ht, UUt, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp)
271
272
           U = sqrt(UUt(1, 1))
           V = sqrt(dble(N_M - 1) * R)
           mK = dXp_dXpt_Ht / UUt(1, 1)
276
           dK = dXp_dXpt_Ht / U / (U + V)
277
278
           call gemm(H, mXp, mYp)
                                                                     ! mYhat = H * mXp
279
           281
           call gemm(dK,
                                H, dK_H)
                                                                     ! dK_H = dK * H
           call gemm(dK_H,
                              dXp, dXf, 'n', 'n', -1._wp, 1._wp) ! dXf = dXp - dK * H * dXp
282
283
           Xf = mXf + dXf
284
       end subroutine EnSRF_uni
286
287
288
289
       ! Ensemble Kalman Filter with Square-Root Algorithm (EnKF/SR)
       !-----
291
       subroutine EnKF_SR (Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_Y, N_KX, N_M)
292
           integer, intent(in)
                                            :: N_Y, N_KX, N_M
293
           real(wp), intent(in)
                                            :: Xp(N_KX, N_M), H(N_Y, N_KX), R(N_Y, N_Y), y_t(N_Y)
294
           real(wp), intent(inout)
                                            :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_M) :: mXp, mXf, dXp, dXf
           real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_M) :: A1, Vt, I_StS, I_StS_Vt, dT
297
           \label{eq:continuous} \textbf{real}(\texttt{wp})\,,\,\, \textbf{dimension}\,\,\,(\texttt{N\_Y},\,\, \texttt{N\_M}) \quad :: \,\, \texttt{Y},\,\, \texttt{mYp},\,\, \texttt{dYp},\,\, \texttt{UGVt},\,\, \texttt{G}
298
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_Y) :: ZBZt, Z, Binv, Binv_Zt, Z_Binv_Zt, Binvsq, Binvsq_Zt, U
299
300
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_Y) :: mK, dXpdYpt
           real(wp)
                                            :: sigma(N_KX), lambda(N_Y), sigma_sum
           integer
                                             :: i_y, i_m, i, n_min
302
303
           do concurrent (i_m = 1:N_M)
304
305
               Y(:, i_m) = y_t
               I_StS(i_m, i_m) = 1._wp ! Identity matrix
           end do
308
309
           A1 = 1._wp
           call gemm (Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', 1._wp / dble(N_M), 0._wp) ! mXp = Xp * A1 / N_M
310
311
312
           mXf = mXp
313
           dXp = Xp - mXp
314
           call gemm (H, dXp, dYp, 'n', 'n') ! dYp = HdXp
315
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316
           ZBZt = (dble(N_M) - 1.wp) * R
317
           call gemm (dYp, dYp, ZBZt, 'n', 't', 1._wp, 1._wp) ! ZSZ' : = dYpdYp' + (N-1)R
318
319
          Z = ZBZt
320
           call syevd (Z, lambda, 'V') ! Eigendecomposition
321
322
           ! B: Diagonal matrix with eigenvalue entries(Lambda)
323
           do i_y = 1, N_Y
324
              Binv (i_y, i_y) = 1._wp / lambda(i_y)
                                                         ! Lambda^{-1}
325
              Binvsq(i_y, i_y) = 1.\_wp / sqrt(lambda(i_y)) ! Lambda^{-1/2}
           end do
           call gemm (Binv,
                                  Z, Binv_Zt, 'n', 't') ! Lambda^{-1} * Z'
329
                           Binv_Zt, Z_Binv_Zt, 'n', 'n') ! Z * Lambda^{-1} * Z'
           call gemm (Z,
330
           call gemm (Binvsq,
                                 Z, Binvsq_Zt, 'n', 't') ! Lambda^{-1/2} * Z'
331
           call gemm (Binvsq_Zt, dYp, UGVt, 'n', 'n') ! UGVt = Lambda^{-1/2} * Z'dYp
332
           call gesvd (UGVt, sigma, U, Vt)! Singular value decomposition
334
          n_{\min} = \min(N_Y, N_M)
336
337
           sigma_sum = sum(sigma)
           do concurrent (i = 1:n_min)
              G(i, i) = sigma(i)! Diagonal matrix with singular value entries
           end do
340
341
342
           call gemm (Xp,
                                    dYp, dXpdYpt, 'n', 't') ! dXpdYp'
           call gemm (dXpdYpt, Z_Binv_Zt,
                                               mK, 'n', 't') ! mK = dXpdYp'Z*Lambda^{-1}*Z'
                                              mYp, 'n', 'n') ! mYp = H * mXp
           call gemm (H,
                                    mХр,
                                             mXf, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp) ! mXf = mXp + mK*(Y - mYp)
          call gemm (mK,
                                Y - mYp,
345
                                          I_StS, 't', 'n', -1._wp, 1._wp) ! I - G'G
          call gemm (G,
                                     G,
346
          call gemm (sqrt(I_StS),    Vt, I_StS_Vt, 'n', 'n') ! sqrt(I - G'G) * V'
347
                                              dT, 't', 'n') ! dT = V * sqrt(I - S'S) * V'
          call gemm (Vt,
                              I_StS_Vt,
                                              dXf, 'n', 'n') ! dXf = dXp * dT
           call gemm (dXp,
                                     dΤ,
350
          Xf = mXf + dXf
351
352
353
       end subroutine EnKF_SR
354
       [-----
       ! Ensemble Transform Kalman Filter (ETKF)
356
       1______
357
       subroutine ETKF (Xp, Xf, H, R, y_t, N_Y, N_KX, N_M)
358
359
           integer, intent(in)
                                          :: N_Y, N_KX, N_M
           real(wp), intent(in)
                                          :: Xp(N_KX, N_M), H(N_Y, N_KX), R(N_Y, N_Y), y_t(N_Y)
361
           real(wp), intent(inout)
                                         :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
362
363
           real(wp), dimension (N_KX, N_M) :: mXp, mXf, dXp, dXf, dXp_dS
364
           real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_M) :: A1, I_MM, Z, Binv, Binvsq, Binv_Zt, Binvsq_Zt, dS, dT, ZBZt
           real(wp), dimension (N_Y, N_M) :: Y, mYp, dYp
           real(wp), dimension (N_M, N_Y) :: dYpt_Rinv
366
           real(wp)
                                          :: Rinv(N_Y, N_Y), lambda(N_M), mK(N_KX, N_Y)
367
                                          :: i_m
           integer
368
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```
do concurrent (i_m = 1:N_M)
370
               Y(:, i_m) = y_t
371
               I_MM(i_m, i_m) = 1._wp ! Identity matrix of rank N_M
372
373
           end do
374
           A1 = 1.\_wp
           call gemm (Xp, A1, mXp, 'n', 'n', 1._wp / dble(N_M), 0._wp) ! mXp = Xp * A1 / N_M
376
377
           mXf = mXp
378
           dXp = Xp - mXp
           Rinv = 1.\_wp / ((dble(N_M) - 1.\_wp) * R) ! [(N-1)R]^{-1}
           call gemm (H,
                            mXp,
                                       mYp, 'n', 'n') ! mYp = H * mXp
382
                                       dYp, 'n', 'n') ! dYp = H * dXp
           call gemm (H,
                            dXp,
383
           call gemm (dYp, Rinv, dYpt_Rinv, 't', 'n') ! dYp'*[(N-1)R]^{-1}
384
           ZBZt = I\_MM
           call gemm (dYpt_Rinv, dYp, ZBZt, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp)
387
388
           ! Eigendecomposition
389
390
           Z = ZBZt
           call syevd (Z, lambda, 'v')
           ! B: Diagonal matrix with eigenvalue entries(Lambda)
393
           do concurrent (i_m = 1:N_M)
394
395
               Binv (i_m, i_m) = 1._wp / lambda(i_m)
                                                           ! Lambda^{-1}
               Binvsq(i_m, i_m) = 1.\_wp / sqrt(lambda(i_m)) ! Lambda^{-1/2}
           end do
397
398
           call gemm (Binv,
                                     Z, Binv_Zt, 'n', 't') ! Lambda^{-1} * Z'
399
                                             dS, 'n', 'n') ! Z * Lambda^{-1} * Z'
           call gemm (Z,
                                Binv_Zt,
                                Z, Binvsq_Zt, 'n', 't') ! Lambda^{-1/2} * Z'
           call gemm (Binvsq,
                                              dT, 'n', 'n') ! Z * Lambda^{-1/2} * Z'
           call gemm (Z,
                              Binvsq_Zt,
                                           dXp_dS, 'n', 'n') ! dXp * Z * Lambda^{-1} * Z'
           call gemm (dXp,
                                     dS,
403
           call gemm (dXp_dS, dYpt_Rinv,
                                               mK, 'n', 'n') ! dXp*Z*Lambda^{-1}*Z'*dYp'*[(N-1)R]^{-1}
404
           call gemm (dXp,
                                               dXf, 'n', 'n') ! dXf = dXp * dT
                                     dΤ,
405
           call gemm (mK,
                                Y - mYp,
                                               mXf, 'n', 'n', 1._wp, 1._wp) ! mXf = mXp + mK*(Y - mYp)
           Xf = mXf + dXf
409
       end subroutine ETKF
410
411
       ! Particle Filter
414
       subroutine PF (Xp, Xf, H, R, Y, N_L, N_KX, N_M, t)
415
416
417
           real(wp), parameter
                                    :: PI = 3.1415926535897323846264338327950288_wp
           integer, intent(in)
                                    :: N_L, N_KX, N_M, t
419
           real(wp), intent(in)
                                    :: Y(N_L), R(N_L, N_L), H(N_L, N_KX), Xp(N_KX, N_M)
           real(wp), intent(inout) :: Xf(N_KX, N_M)
420
           real(wp), dimension (N_M) :: loglike_mem, like, wgt
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```
real(wp)
                                       :: rv(1), c, Un, Ninv
423
           integer
                                       :: i_m, i_w
424
           ! Weights for resampling
425
           call LogLikelihood (Xp, H, R, Y, loglike_mem)
426
           like = exp(loglike_mem - maxval(loglike_mem))
427
           wgt = like / sum(like)
429
           ! Low-variance resampling
430
           Ninv = 1._wp / dble(N_M)
431
           rv = GenUnif (1, 0._wp, Ninv, t)
432
           c = wgt(1)
           i_w = 1
435
           do i_m = 1, N_M
436
               Un = rv(1) + (i_m - 1) * Ninv
437
               do while (Un > c)
                   i_w = i_w + 1
                    c = c + wgt(i_w)
440
                end do
441
               Xf(:, i_m) = Xp(:, i_w)
442
           end do
443
       end subroutine PF
447 end module Ensemble_Filters
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Listing A.1 Fortran Sample Code