# A SARIMAX coupled modelling applied to individual load curves intraday forecasting

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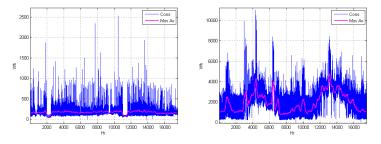
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## • Motivations.

- New energy meters to gather individual consumption with high frequencie.
- Economic issue for EDF : anticipate to optimize.

## • Objectives.

- Distinguish nonthermosensitive from thermosensitive customers.
- Intraday daily forecasting.
- Introduce temperature as an exogenous contribution.

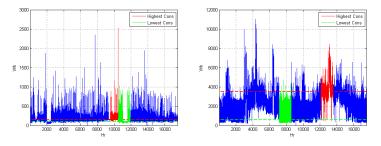
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- Detecting thermosensitivity.
  - Deterministic criterion.
  - Thermosensitivity if

$$\max_{\Delta \le t \le N} M_t - \min_{\Delta \le t \le N} M_t > \delta$$
  
where  $M_t$  is the empirical median of  $(C_t \dots C_{t-\Delta+1})$ .  
 $\Delta = 1440$  et  $\delta = 1000$ .



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- More pertinent than SR/DR.
  - 70% of nonthermosensitive customers, only including 75% of SR.

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## • Stationary ARMA processes.

## Definition (Stationarity)

A time series  $(Y_t)$  is said to be weakly stationary if, for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[Y_t^2] < \infty$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[Y_t] = m$  and, for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $Cov(Y_t, Y_s) = Cov(Y_{t-s}, Y_0)$ .

#### **Definition (ARMA)**

Let  $(Y_t)$  be a stationary time series with zero mean. It is said to be an ARMA(p, q) process if, for every  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$Y_t - \sum_{k=1}^p a_k Y_{t-k} = \varepsilon_t + \sum_{k=1}^q b_k \varepsilon_{t-k}$$

where  $(\varepsilon_t)$  is a white noise of variance  $\sigma^2 > 0$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^q$ .



Stationary ARMA processes

## • Causality of ARMA processes.

• Compact expression, for all  $1 \le t \le T$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(B)Y_t = \mathcal{B}(B)\varepsilon_t$$

where the polynomials

 $\mathcal{A}(z) = 1 - a_1 z - \ldots - a_p z^p$  and  $\mathcal{B}(z) = 1 + b_1 z + \ldots + b_q z^q$ .

## Definition (Causality)

Let  $(Y_t)$  be an ARMA(p, q) process for which the polynomials A and B have no common zeroes. Then,  $(Y_t)$  is causal if and only if  $A(z) \neq 0$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $|z| \leq 1$ .

#### Implications.

- Causality implies the existence of a MA( $\infty$ ) structure for ( $Y_t$ ).
- Causality implies stationarity of the process.
- On N<sup>\*</sup>, causality often coincides with stationarity.





Stationary ARMA processes

# • Existence and unicity of a stationary solution.

## Proposition

If  $A(z) \neq 0$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $|z| \leq 1$ , then the ARMA equation  $A(B)Y_t = B(B)\varepsilon_t$  have the unique stationary solution

$$Y_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi_k \varepsilon_{t-k},$$

and the coefficients  $(\psi_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  are determined by the relation

 $\mathcal{A}^{-1}(z)\mathcal{B}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi_k z^k$  with  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi_k^2 < \infty.$ 

### Explosive cases.

- On Z, no zeroes on the unit circle is a sufficient condition.
- Irrelevant for practical purposes.





Identification for stationary AR(p) and MA(q) processes

## • Autocorrelation function.

• To identify q.

## Definition (ACF)

Let  $(Y_t)$  be a stationary time series. The autocorrelation function  $\rho$  associated with  $(Y_t)$  is defined, for all  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , as

$$p(t) = \frac{\gamma(t)}{\gamma(0)}$$

where the autocovariance function  $\gamma(t) = \text{Cov}(Y_t, Y_0)$ .

#### Proposition

The stationary time series ( $Y_t$ ) with zero mean is a MA(q) process such that  $b_q \neq 0$  if and only if  $\rho(q) \neq 0$  and  $\rho(t) = 0$  for all |t| > q.

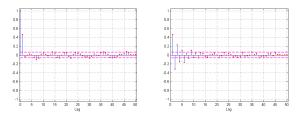
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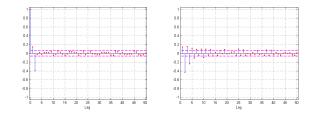
Identification for stationary AR(p) and MA(q) processes

## • Examples.

• MA(1) : only  $\rho(1)$  nonzero, exponential decay of  $\alpha(t)$ .



• MA(2) : only  $\rho(1)$  and  $\rho(2)$  nonzero, damped exponential and sine wave for  $\alpha(t)$ .



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Identification for stationary AR(p) and MA(q) processes

## • Partial autocorrelation function.

• To identify p.

## Definition (PACF)

Let  $(Y_t)$  be a stationary time series with zero mean. The partial autocorrelation function  $\alpha$  is defined as  $\alpha(0) = 1$ , and, for all  $t \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , as

 $\alpha(t) = \phi_{t,t}$ 

where  $(\phi_{t,t})_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  are computed via the Durbin-Levinson recursion.

#### Proposition

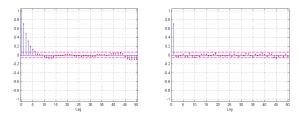
If there exists a square-integrable sequence  $(\psi_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $(Y_t)$  has a MA( $\infty$ ) expression with  $\psi_0 = 1$ , then the stationary time series  $(Y_t)$  with zero mean is an AR(p) process such that  $a_p \neq 0$  if and only if  $\alpha(p) \neq 0$  and  $\alpha(t) = 0$  for all t > p.

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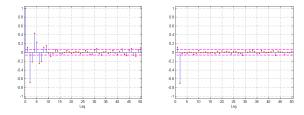
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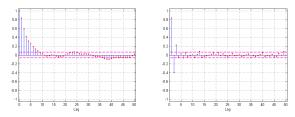
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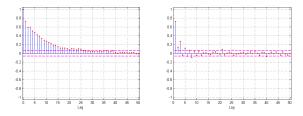
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## • Examples.

• ARMA(1,1) : exponential decay of  $\rho(t)$  and  $\alpha(t)$  from first lag.



• ARMA(2,2) : exponential decay of  $\rho(t)$  and  $\alpha(t)$  from second lag.



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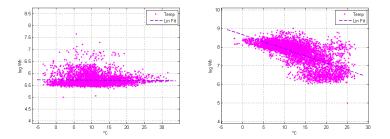
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### • Variance-stabilizing Box-Cox transformation.

• Logarithmic transform given, for all  $1 \le t \le T$ , by

$$Y_t = \log\left(C_t + \mathrm{e}^m\right)$$

where *m* ensures that  $Y_t = m$  when  $C_t = 0$ .



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Linear relationship between consumption and temperature

## • Linear relationship between consumption and temperature.

On a thermosensitive load curve, for all 1 ≤ t ≤ T,

$$Y_t = c_0 + \mathcal{C}(B)U_t + \varepsilon_t.$$

• For all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\mathcal{C}(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{r-1}c_{k+1}z^k.$$

• Unknown vector  $c \in \mathbb{R}^{r+1}$  estimated by OLS.

### Seasonal residuals.

Residuals (ε<sub>t</sub>) regarded as a seasonal time series.

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#### • Residuals $(\varepsilon_t)$ as a seasonal time series.

• SARIMA(p, d, q) × (P, D, Q)<sub>s</sub> modelling, for all 1  $\leq t \leq T$ ,

$$(1-B)^{d}(1-B^{s})^{D}\mathcal{A}(B)\mathcal{A}_{s}(B)\varepsilon_{t} = \mathcal{B}(B)\mathcal{B}_{s}(B)V_{t},$$

where ( $V_t$ ) is a white noise of variance  $\sigma^2 > 0$ .

• Polynomials defined, for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , as

$$A(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} a_k z^k, \qquad A_s(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} \alpha_k z^{sk},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{q} b_k z^k, \qquad \qquad \mathcal{B}_s(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{Q} \beta_k z^{sk},$$

• Parameters  $a \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^q$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^Q$  estimated by GLS.

•  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{A}_s$  are causal.

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## On a SARIMAX coupled modelling The SARIMAX modelling

• The dynamic coupled modelling.

## Definition (SARIMAX)

In the particular framework of the study, a random process  $(Y_t)$  will be said to follow a SARIMAX $(p, d, q, r) \times (P, D, Q)_s$  coupled modelling if, for all  $1 \le t \le T$ , it satisfies

$$\begin{cases} Y_t = c_0 + \mathcal{C}(B)U_t + \varepsilon_t, \\ (1-B)^d (1-B^s)^D \mathcal{A}(B)\mathcal{A}_s(B)\varepsilon_t = \mathcal{B}(B)\mathcal{B}_s(B)V_t. \end{cases}$$

As soon as *d* + *D* > 0,

 $(1-B)^{d}(1-B^{s})^{D}\mathcal{A}(B)\mathcal{A}_{s}(B)(Y_{t}-\mathcal{C}(B)U_{t})=\mathcal{B}(B)\mathcal{B}_{s}(B)V_{t}.$ 



The SARIMAX modelling

#### • Existence of a stationary solution.

• Let I be the identity matrix of order T and

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & U_T & U_{T-1} & \dots & U_{T-r+1} \\ 1 & U_{T-1} & U_{T-2} & \dots & U_{T-r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & U_1 & U_0 & \dots & U_{-r+2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_T \end{pmatrix}.$$

#### Theorem

Assume that U'U is invertible. Then, the differenced process  $(\nabla^d \nabla^D_{\mathcal{s}} \varepsilon_t)$  where  $\varepsilon_t$  is given, for all  $1 \le t \le T$ , by the vector form

$$\varepsilon = \left(I - U(U'U)^{-1}U'\right)Y$$

is a stationary solution of the coupled model suitably specified.

- ADF and KPSS tests : d and D.
- Box and Jenkins methodology : p, q, r, P, Q, s.





Application to forecasting

## • Forecasting using time series analysis.

- Let  $\tilde{\varepsilon}_{T+1}$  be the predictor of  $(\varepsilon_t)$  at stage T + 1.
- Let  $\hat{c}_T$  be the OLS estimate of  $\hat{c}$ .
- Assume that  $\hat{r}$  has been evaluated.
- The predictor at horizon 1 is given by

$$\widetilde{Y}_{T+1} = \widehat{c}_{0,T} + \sum_{k=1}^{\widehat{r}} \widehat{c}_{k,T} U_{T-k+2} + \widetilde{\varepsilon}_{T+1}.$$

• The predictor at horizon H is given by

$$\widetilde{Y}_{T+H} = \widehat{c}_{0,T} + \sum_{k=1}^{\widehat{r}} \widehat{c}_{k,T} U_{T-k+H+1} + \widetilde{\varepsilon}_{T+H}.$$

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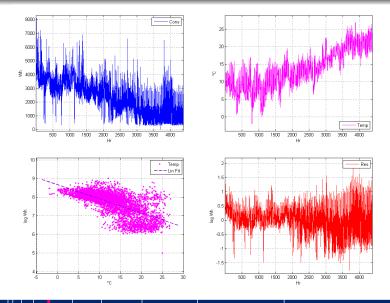


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Procedure



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### • Box and Jenkins methodology.

• For a given  $\hat{r}$ , estimation of the residual set  $(\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ , for all  $1 \le t \le T$ ,

$$\widehat{\varepsilon}_t = Y_t - \widehat{c}_{0,T} - \sum_{k=1}^{\widehat{r}} \widehat{c}_{k,T} U_{t-k+1}.$$

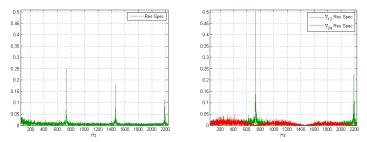
- Select 
   *s* by investigating the seasonality of (
   *ε t* ).
- Select *d* and *D* by investigating the stationarity of (∇<sup>d</sup>∇<sup>D</sup><sub>ŝ</sub> *c*<sub>t</sub>).
- Select  $\hat{p}$ ,  $\hat{q}$ ,  $\hat{P}$  and  $\hat{Q}$  by looking at ACF and PACF on  $(\nabla^{\hat{d}} \nabla^{\hat{D}}_{\hat{s}} \hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ .
- Test of white noise on the fitted innovations.

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Seasonality and stationarity

## • Seasonality.

• Fourier spectrogram on  $(\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ ,  $(\nabla_{12}\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$  and  $(\nabla_{24}\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ , for  $T = 730 \times 24$  and  $\hat{r} = 1$ .



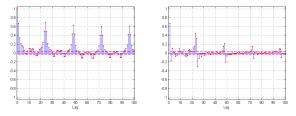
## • Stationarity.

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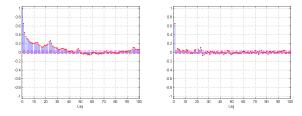
   (ε
   t) is not stationary.
- $(\nabla \widehat{\varepsilon}_t)$ ,  $(\nabla_{24}\widehat{\varepsilon}_t)$  and  $(\nabla \nabla_{24}\widehat{\varepsilon}_t)$  are stationary around a deterministic trend.

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- Sample autocorrelations.
  - On the estimated residuals ( $\hat{\varepsilon}_t$ ).



• On the seasonally differenced residuals  $(\nabla_{24}\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ .



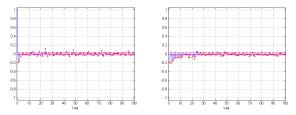


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#### Application to forecasting on a load curve ACF and PACF

#### Sample autocorrelations.

On the doubly differenced residuals  $(\nabla \nabla_{24} \hat{\varepsilon}_t)$ . •



#### Identified models.

- SARIMAX(p, 0, 0, r) × (P, 1, Q)<sub>24</sub> with p ≤ 5, r ≤ 2, P ≤ 1 and Q = 1.
   SARIMAX(p, 1, q, r) × (P, 1, Q)<sub>24</sub> with p ≤ 1, q = 2, r ≤ 2, P ≤ 1 and Q = 1.



Selection criteria

## • Bayesian criteria.

Akaike information criterion and Schwarz bayesian criterion,

 $AIC = -2 \log \mathcal{L} + 2k$  and  $SBC = -2 \log \mathcal{L} + k \log T$ 

where  $\mathcal{L}$  is the model likelihood and *k* the number of parameters.

- Log-likelihood.
- Overall randomness of successive innovations.

## Prediction criteria.

• We define C<sub>A</sub> and C<sub>R</sub> as follows,

$$C_{A} = \frac{1}{NH} \sum_{k=1}^{NH} \left| \widetilde{C}_{T+k} - C_{T+k} \right| \quad \text{and} \quad C_{R} = \left( \sum_{k=1}^{NH} C_{T+k} \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{NH} \left| \widetilde{C}_{T+k} - C_{T+k} \right| \right)$$

where  $(\tilde{C}_{T+1}, \ldots, \tilde{C}_{T+NH})$  are *N* consecutive predictions at horizon *H* from time *T*.



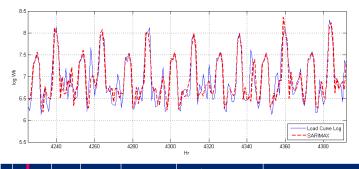
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Selection on bayesian criteria

### • Selection on bayesian criteria.

	p	d	q	r	Р	D	Q	S	AIC	SBC	LL	VAR	WN
SARIMAX	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	24	-362.4	-330.4	186.2	0.053	
SARIMAX	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	24	-393.6	-348.8	203.8	0.053	$\checkmark$
SARIMAX	5	0	0	1	0	1	1	24	-424.7	-367.2	221.4	0.053	$\checkmark$
SARIMAX	3	0	2	1	0	1	1	24	-446.9	-389.4	232.5	0.052	$\checkmark$
SARIMAX	3	0	2	2	0	1	1	24	-457.2	-393.3	238.6	0.052	$\checkmark$
SARIMAX	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	24	100.4	132.3	-45.2	0.059	
SARIMAX	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	24	-238.7	-200.4	125.4	0.055	
SARIMAX	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	24	-389.5	-351.2	200.8	0.053	
SARIMAX	2	1	2	1	0	1	1	24	-435.1	-384.0	225.6	0.052	$\checkmark$

• Modelling with SARIMAX(3, 0, 2, 2)  $\times$  (0, 1, 1)<sub>24</sub> with  $T = 730 \times 24$ .

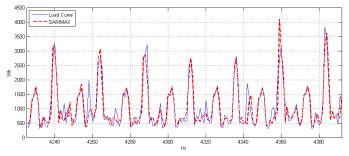


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Selection on bayesian criteria

- Selection on bayesian criteria.
  - Modelling with SARIMAX $(3, 0, 2, 2) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$  with  $T = 730 \times 24$ .



Least squares estimation, for all 28 ≤ t ≤ T,

$$\begin{cases} C_t = \exp\left(\widehat{c}_0 + \widehat{c}_1 U_t + \widehat{c}_2 U_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t\right) - \exp(5), \\ \varepsilon_t = \varepsilon_{t-24} + \widehat{a}_1(\varepsilon_{t-1} - \varepsilon_{t-25}) + \widehat{a}_2(\varepsilon_{t-2} - \varepsilon_{t-26}) + \widehat{a}_3(\varepsilon_{t-3} - \varepsilon_{t-27}) \\ + (V_t - \widehat{b}_1 V_{t-1} - \widehat{b}_2 V_{t-2}) - \widehat{\beta}_1 (V_{t-24} - \widehat{b}_1 V_{t-25} - \widehat{b}_2 V_{t-26}), \end{cases}$$

in which  $\hat{c}_0 = 7.9871$ ,  $\hat{c}_1 = 0.0166$ ,  $\hat{c}_2 = -0.0420$ ,  $\hat{a}_1 = 0.4776$ ,  $\hat{a}_2 = 0.9030$ ,  $\hat{a}_3 = -0.4305$ ,  $\hat{b}_1 = 0.0801$ ,  $\hat{b}_2 = -0.8524$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = -0.8125$ .

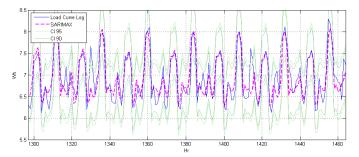


Selection on prediction criteria

### • Selection on prediction criteria.

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SARIMAX	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	24	193.9	0.1814
SARIMAX	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	24	193.3	0.1808
SARIMAX	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	24	196.0	0.1833
SARIMAX	3	0	2	1	0	1	1	24	199.9	0.1870
SARIMAX	3	0	2	2	0	1	1	24	198.9	0.1861
SARIMAX	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	24	195.4	0.1828
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• Forecasting with SARIMAX(1, 0, 1, 2)  $\times$  (0, 1, 1)<sub>24</sub> with  $T = 730 \times 24$ .



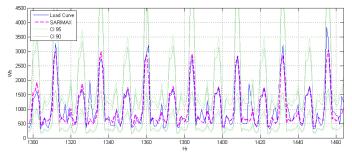
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• Forecasting with SARIMAX $(1, 0, 1, 2) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$  with  $T = 730 \times 24$ .



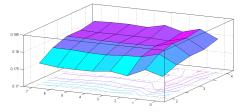
- Parsimony is a central issue in time series analysis.
- Results slightly improved with a sliding window of 2 months.
- Around 2% of relative error between ( Y
  <sub>T+1</sub>,..., Y
  <sub>T+NH</sub>) and (Y
  <sub>T+1</sub>,..., Y
  <sub>T+NH</sub>).

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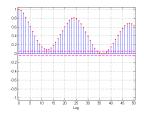
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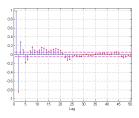
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- Refining...
  - Influence of *r* and the size of the sliding windows *M* on *C<sub>R</sub>*.



- M = 2 months is the optimal sliding window.
- No more influence of r as soon as  $r \ge 2$ .





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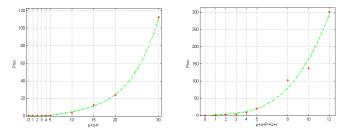
Technical issues

#### • Huge dataset.

- More than 2000 load curves.
- Around 70% nonthermosensitive.
- High quality : more than 9 months of data per curve, very little missing values.

## • Technical problems.

• Exponential growth of computing time with parsimony.



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## • On a representative panel.

- Selection of 200 heterogeneous thermosensitive curves (size, peaks intensity, etc.)
- Massive statistical KPSS procedures and visual first conclusions.
- Bayesian criteria to select the best models on average.
- Application to forecasting.
- Prediction criteria to select the best models on average.
- All parameters vary in their neighborhood.
- · Consider technical issues : a night of computation for some models.

## • 2 more bayesian criteria.

- · Reliability index.
- Percentage of significance of the first exogenous coefficient.
- Assess the relevance on large-scale.
- · Caution : main assumptions for t-test not satisfied !

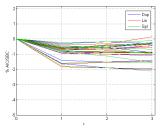
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### • Stationarity, for r = 1 and M = 3 months.

- Less than 30% of  $(\hat{\varepsilon}_t)$  stationary.
- 100% of  $(\nabla_{24}\widehat{\varepsilon}_t)$  and  $(\nabla\nabla_{24}\widehat{\varepsilon}_t)$  stationary.
- SARIMAX $(p, 0, q, r) \times (P, 1, Q)_{24}$  and SARIMAX $(p, 1, q, r) \times (P, 1, Q)_{24}$ .
- Making r increase.

## • Relative evolution of AIC and SBC with r.



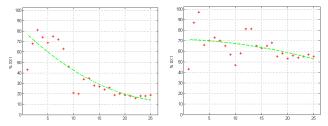
- Clearly, *r* = 1.
- SARIMAX $(3, 0, 2, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$ , SARIMAX $(3, 1, 2, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$ .
- Gain over the naive model : ≈ 50%.
- Gain over the SARIMA model :  $\approx$  2%.

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## • Significance of $c_1$ for M = 6 months.

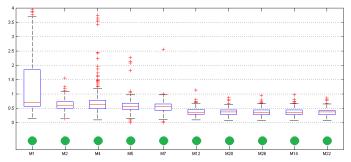


Substantial on thermosensitive curves.

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## • Evolution of C<sub>R</sub>.



- SARIMAX $(1, 1, 1, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$  and SARIMAX $(2, 0, 1, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$ .
- *M* = 2 months.
- Gain over the naive model :  $\approx$  65%.
- Gain over the SARIMA model :  $\approx$  3%.

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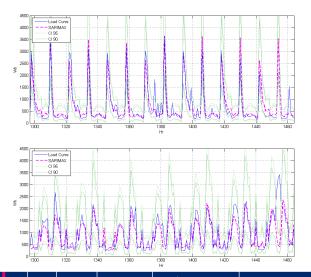
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## • Examples.



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## Conclusion

- Nonthermosensitive curves.
  - SARIMA(1,0,1) × (0,1,1)<sub>24</sub>
- Thermosensitive curves.
  - SARIMAX $(1, 1, 1, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$  and SARIMAX $(2, 0, 1, 1) \times (0, 1, 1)_{24}$ .
- A careful study curve by curve would provide better results.
  - Of course...
- Caution : technical issues for huge datasets.
  - Is a computation time ×1000 for a gain of 0.1% relevant ?
  - Engineering approach, corporate vision.
- Thank you for your attention.
- Comments or questions ? ©

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