

Forecast of Power System Load in Short Term

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Abstract. In this paper, according to large quantity of historical statistics, we have established a model which could successfully forecast the power charge in two regions. Because of the different efforts between weekdays, weekends and holidays, we made a piecewise function^[1] to decrease the error. The method of 2 times curve fitting was used to analyze the electric power charge of minimum and average per day by Matlab. Then an ARIMA (Auto Regressive Integrated Moving Average Model) connected with statistics between 2009 to 2014 was set up and verified available residual analysis. We also take climate factors into consideration. Being supported by huge data the model can predict variation tendency of electric power charge efficiently.

1. Introduction

The short-term load forecasting is the foundation of electric power system's function and analysis. Improving accuracy of it is an important point to optimize the scientific nature of the strategic decision. In modern power system, the electrical appliances are various, and so many factors can exert an effect on the load. Now we have gathered around numerous information from 1st January, 2009 to 10th January, 2015 in two regions.

2. The Data Processing

We used Excel to calculate two regions' charge of maximum, minimum and average each day, and draw curve graphs just as follows:[x-axis is time(day), y-axis is load(MW)]

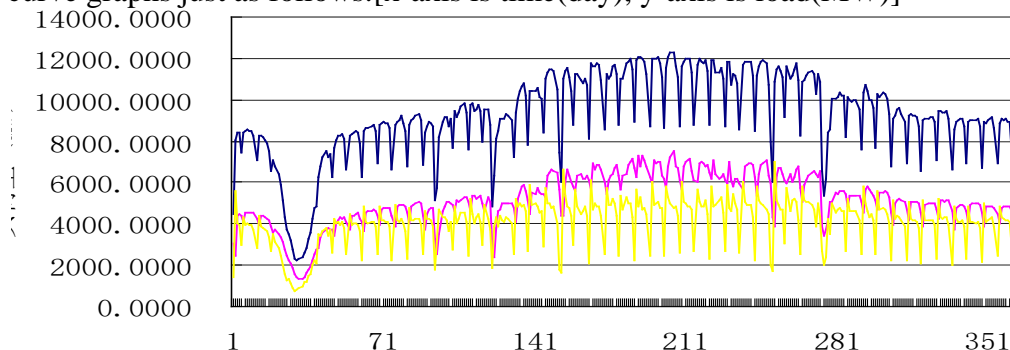


Figure 1 Time-Load relations between two regions

From the graph above, we can reach a conclusion that summer is the fastigium during the whole year.

3. The modeling Process

3.1 Data pretreatment

As for these data, we set up ARIMA(n, m) to analyze:

$$x_t = \sum_{i=1}^n \varphi_i x_{t-i} + \alpha_t - \sum_{j=1}^m \theta_j \alpha_{t-j}$$

$\varphi_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$: Auto Regressive parameters;

$\theta_j (j=1,2,\dots,m)$: Moving average parameters;

$\{\alpha_t\}$: Zero-mean white noise source, the variance is σ_a^2 ;

Particularly, when $m=0$, ARIMA(n,m) is equal to Auto Regressive model AR(n).

$$x_t = \sum_{i=1}^n \varphi_i x_{t-i} + \alpha_t$$

Standardized:

$$x_t = \frac{x_t^{(0)} - \mu_x}{\sigma_x^2}$$

Particularly,

$$\mu_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N x_t^{(0)}$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{t=1}^N (x_t^{(0)} - \mu_x)^2$$

Then we get the prediction formula:

$$x_t = \varphi_1 x_{t-1} + \varphi_2 x_{t-2} + \varphi_3 x_{t-3} + \varphi_4 x_{t-4} + \varphi_5 x_{t-5} + \alpha_t - \theta_1 \alpha_{t-1} - \theta_2 \alpha_{t-2} - \theta_3 \alpha_{t-3} - \theta_4 \alpha_{t-4}$$

According to the difference formula $\omega_t = \nabla^d Z_t$, we converse non-linear stochastic variation to zero-mean stationary random sequence[2] through stationary treatment. The auto correlation function attenuats fast after the difference. We used ‘d’ as the difference order, and in this model, d is equal to 2.

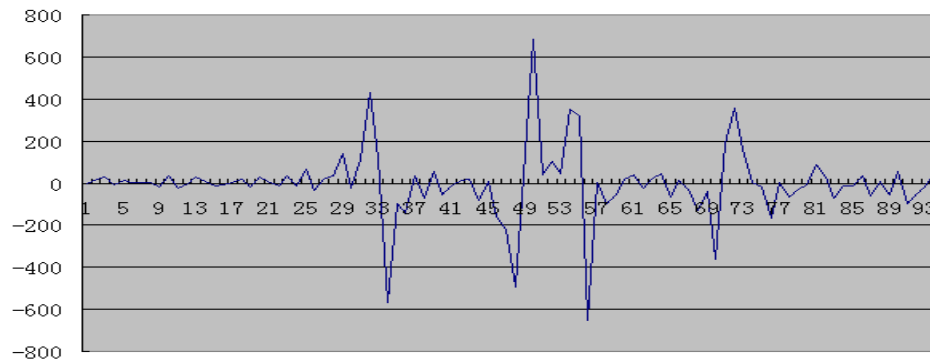


Figure 2 Curves after two differences

3.2 AR Model order

We decided to fit MA(1), MA(2), namely, ARIMA(2, 1), ARIMA(2, 2) into curves:

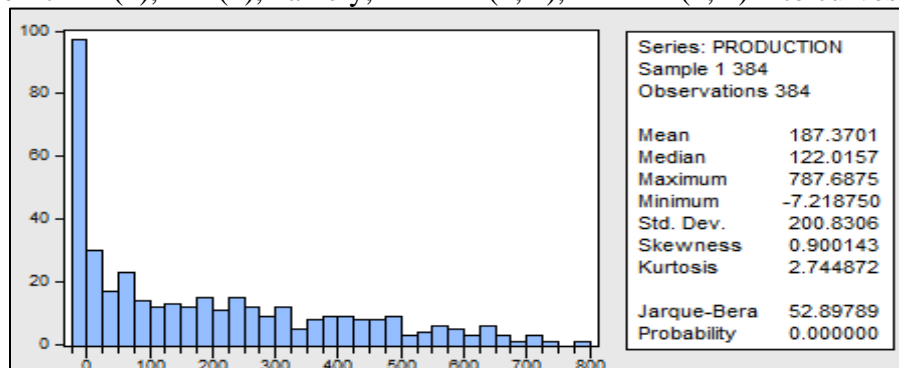


Figure 3

This is the sequence of zero-mean white noise station.

3.3 Model Parameter Estimation

Based on the AR model order and relations above, we choose the best model to estimate the parameters by SPSS^[3]:

MA Backcast: 3 5				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
AR(1)	-0.524887	0.133066	-3.944552	0.0001
AR(2)	0.989831	0.164477	6.018068	0.0000
AR(3)	0.421559	0.121821	3.460479	0.0006
AR(4)	-0.147125	0.152302	-0.966006	0.3347
AR(5)	0.174372	0.072386	2.408909	0.0165
MA(1)	1.129172	0.130734	8.637152	0.0000
MA(2)	-0.197931	0.219944	-0.899919	0.3687
MA(3)	-0.466474	0.130499	-3.574528	0.0004

Figure 4

Finally, we get the ARIMA model:

$$x_t = -0.52487x_{t-1} + 0.989831x_{t-2} + \alpha_t - 1.129172\alpha_{t-1} + 0.197931\alpha_{t-2}$$

3.4 Modeling Checking

Date: 11/27/11 Time: 08:53

Sample: 6 384

Included observations: 379

Q-statistic probabilities adjusted for 8 ARMA term(s)

Autocorrelation	Partial Correlation	AC	PAC	Q-Stat	Prob
		1 -0.007	-0.007	0.0163	
		2 0.015	0.015	0.0998	
		3 -0.022	-0.022	0.2916	
		4 -0.010	-0.011	0.3333	
		5 0.074	0.075	2.4474	
		6 0.019	0.020	2.5849	
		7 -0.055	-0.058	3.7536	
		8 -0.014	-0.012	3.8325	
		9 -0.029	-0.025	4.1532	0.042
		10 -0.007	-0.015	4.1723	0.124
		11 0.029	0.026	4.5102	0.211
		12 -0.045	-0.038	5.3159	0.256
		13 -0.026	-0.025	5.5893	0.348
		14 0.051	0.055	6.6001	0.359
		15 -0.035	-0.034	7.0800	0.421
		16 -0.054	-0.067	8.2564	0.409
		17 0.005	0.011	8.2649	0.508
		18 0.020	0.030	8.4202	0.588
		19 0.060	0.045	9.8446	0.544

Figure 5

4. Summary

This model could forecast the electric power charge each day accurately. It is near the practical data with the support of historical statistics. However, we ignore the climate factors and made a hypothesis that the information are all correct and reliable. These are limitations of the model.

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