

SOME STATISTICAL MODELING PROBLEMS AT EDF

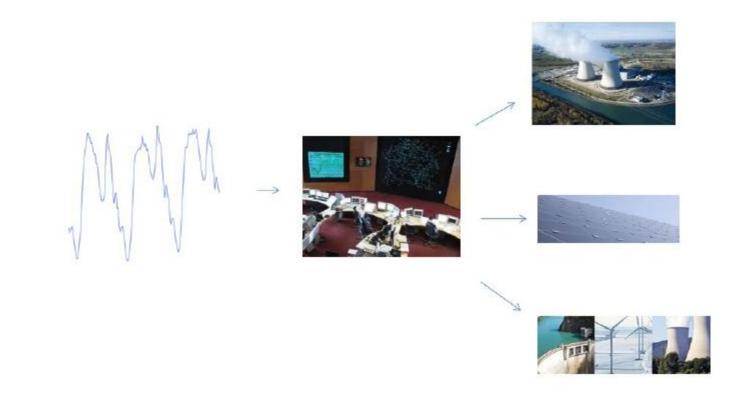
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ELECTRICITY LOAD FORECASTING

 Electricity consumption is the main entry for optimising the production units and managing the grid



NEW INDUSTRIAL CHALLENGES IN ELECTRICITY

- Smart grids
 - More and more « real time » data (ex: linky, 1 million meter in 2016)
 - Demand response (new tariffs, real time pricing...)
 - New communication tools with customers (webservice....)
- Renewables energy development
 - A more and more probabilistic context: need probabilistic forecasts as enter for risk optimisation tools
- Opening of the electricity market:
 - Losses/gains of customers
- Sensors data:
 - Production/consumption sites
 - Smart home, internet of things
- New usages/tariffs:
 - Electric cars
 - Heat pumps, smart phones, battery charge, computers, flat screens....
 - Demand response



STATISCAL CHALLENGES

Big data

- Parallelizing statistical algorithms
- Complex data analysing: heteregonous spatial/temporal sampling, different sources/nature of data
- Sequential data treatment (data flow, CEP)
- Heterogenous data treatment
- Functional data analysis

Adaptivity

- Non-parametric models
- Model selection, data driven penalty...

Sequential estimation

- Break detection, on-line update
- Aggregation of experts with on-line weights
- Spatio-temporal
 - Spatial correlation modeling/simulation
- Multi-scale models
 - Multi-horizon models
 - Multi level data on the grid



- Data mining for time series
 - Machine learning for time series
- Probabilistic forecasts
 - Density forecast
 - Quantile models
- Large scale simulations
 - Simulation platform, parallel processing
 - Complex systems dynamics

TOPIC OF THAT TALK

- Probabilistic forecasts
 - Quantile models
- Adaptivity
 - Non-parametric models
- Sequential estimation
 - Aggregation of experts with on-line weights

Probablistic load forecasting on the distribution grid Probabilistic price forecasting GEFCOM 14 data (similar than EDF ones)

- Spatio-temporal
 - Spatial correlation modeling/simulation

Solar radiation modeling for PV production



PROBABILISTIC FORECAST: A HOT TOPIC

A special issue of International Journal of Forecasting



• GEFcom 2014 competition, sponsored by IEEE Power and Energy Society



Participation (nb of teams): Load (333), Price (250), Wind (208), Solar (218)



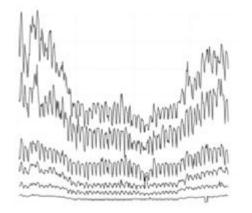
PROBABILISTIC FORECAST: INDUSTRIAL MOTIVATION

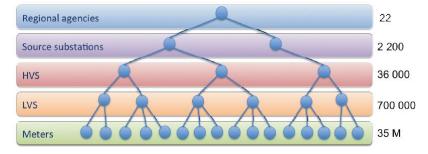
Renewables energy development

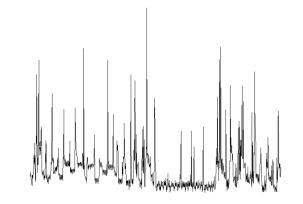
• A « probabilistic world »: Wind power generation is a direct function of the meteorological conditions, which we humans have no control of, and is hence highly fluctuating Pr. P.Pinson

Opening of the electricity market:

- Losses/gains of customers:
 - scenario based forecasts, adaptivity, time varying parameters
 - Bottom up forecasts
- Local forecasting
 - Low agregation level
 - Wide variety of consumers
 - Covariate selection
 - Noisy data









GAM MODELS FOR LOAD FORECASTING

A good trade-off complexity/adaptivity

$$y_t = f_1(x_t^1) + f_2(x_t^2) + \dots + f(x_t^3, x_t^4) + \dots + \varepsilon_t$$
$$min_{\beta, f_j} ||y - f_1(x_1) - f_2(x_2) - \dots ||^2 + \lambda_1 \int f_1^{\prime \prime}(x)^2 dx + \lambda_2 \int f_2^{\prime \prime}(x)^2 dx + \dots$$

Publications

Application on load forecasting

- A. Pierrot and Y. Goude, Short-Term Electricity Load Forecasting With Generalized Additive Models Proceedings of ISAP power, pp 593-600, 2011.
- R. Nédellec, J. Cugliari and Y. Goude, GEFCom2012: Electricity Load Forecasting and Backcasting with Semi-Parametric Models, International Journal of Forecasting , 2014, 30, 375 - 381.

GAM parallel for big datasets

• S.N. Wood, Goude, Y. and S. Shaw, Generalized additive models for large datasets, to appear in **Journal of Royal Statistical Society-C**.

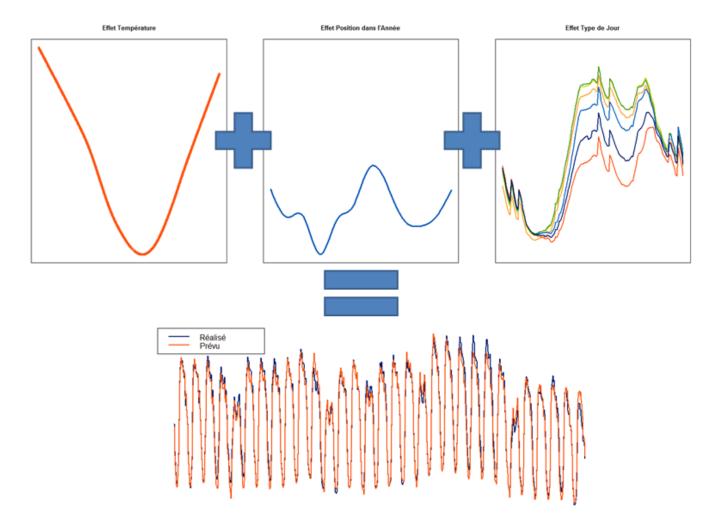
Adaptive GAM (forgeting factor)

• A. Ba, M. Sinn, Y. Goude and P. Pompey, Adaptive Learning of Smoothing Functions: Application to Electricity Load Forecasting Advances in **Neural Information Processing Systems** 25, 2012, 2519-2527.

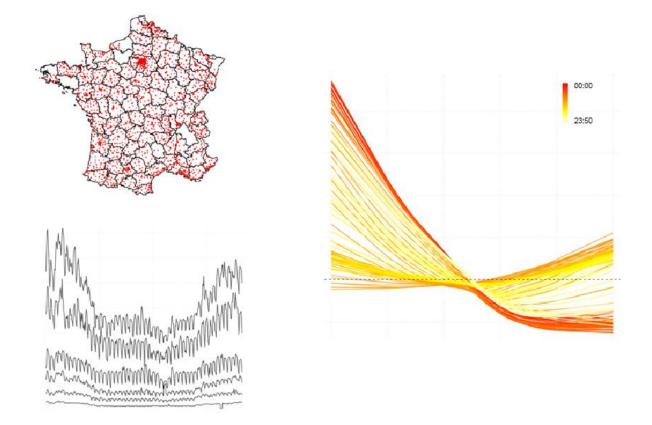


GAM MODELS FOR LOAD FORECASTING

 $y_t = f_1(T_t) + f_2(I_t) + f_3(H_t) + \varepsilon_t$



GAM MODELS FOR LOCAL LOAD FORECASTING APPLICATION ON ERDF SUBSTATIONS

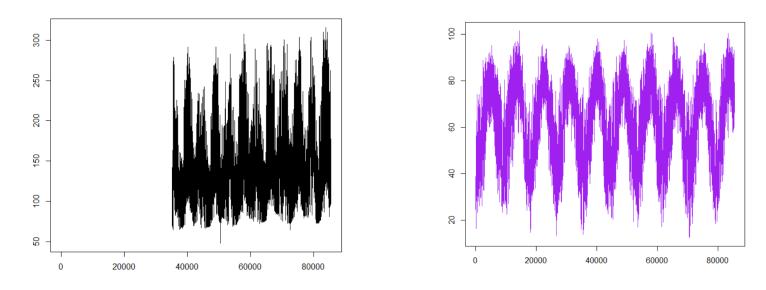


Fit 2200 on 10 min electricity data models automatically

Goude, Y., Nédellec, R. and Kong, N., Local Short and Middle term Electricity Load Forecasting with semi-parametric additive models to appear in IEEE transactions on smart grid, 2013, 5, Issue: 1, 440 - 446



- hourly electricity load data (somewhere in US), 6 years from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2011
- Temperature data (25 stations) ,11 years
- GEFcom 2014 competition: each week from september 2014 to december 2014 produce a monthly forecast of each month of 2012 for the 0.01, 0.02, ...,0.99 quantile of the load.

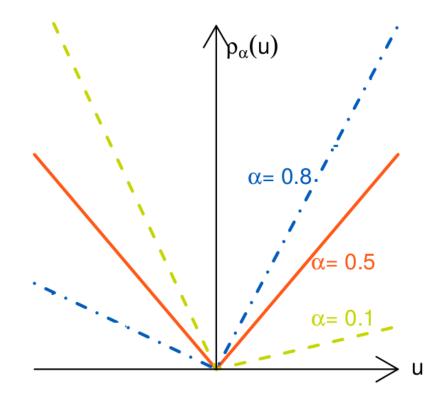


- Our team:
 - Tololo: Pierre Gaillard, Raphael Nédellec, Yannig Goude



- competition GEFCOM 2014
 - Performance evaluation: pin-ball loss

$$L(q_a, y) = \begin{cases} (1 - a/100)(q_a - y), & \text{if } y < q_a; \\ a/100(y - q_a), & \text{if } y \ge q_a; \end{cases}$$





• Our original idea

Quantile non-linear regression: GAM for each quantile

Koenker, R., 2013. quantreg: Quantile Regression. R package version 5.05. URL <u>http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=quantreg</u>

Koenker, R. W., Bassett, G. W., 1978. Regression quantiles. Econometrica 46 (1), 33–50.

Issue: numerical problems with non-linear effects, time consuming



- Our approach:
 - Fitting a GAM to model the conditional mean:

$$Y_t = f_1(Toy_t) + f_2(t) + f_3(T_t) + h(DayType_t) + \varepsilon_t$$

• Fitting a GAM to model the conditional variance:

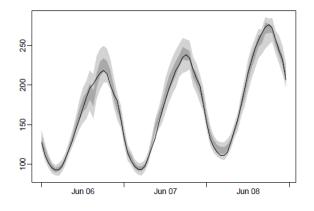
$$\left(Y_t - \widehat{Y}_t\right)^2 = g_1(Toy_t) + g_2(T_t) + \varepsilon_t\,,$$

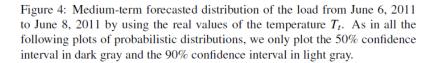
□ Linear quantile regression on:

$$Y_t = Z_t \beta + \varepsilon_t$$
$$\mathbf{Z}_t = (\widehat{f_1}(Toy_t), \ \widehat{f_2}(t), \ \dots, \ \widehat{g_1}(Toy_t), \ \widehat{g_2}(T_t))$$

Rk: this is conditional to temperature, same approach is conducted for the temperature (on Toy) to model the meteorological randomness, then plug in







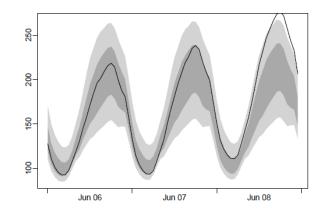
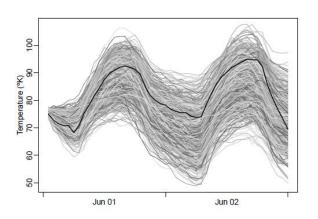


Figure 5: Medium-term forecasted distribution of the load from June 6, 2011 to June 8, 2011 obtained by averaging the forecasted distributions of the load over the forecasted distribution of the temperature.



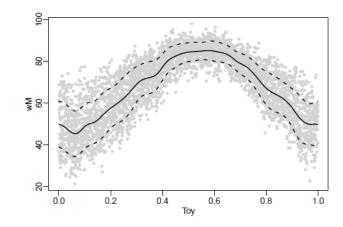


Figure 6: 800 temperature scenarios (T_s) generated for June 1, 2011 to June 2, 2011. The line in black depicts the observed temperature.

Figure 3: Observed values of T_t together with the smooth functions $\hat{f_1}$ and $\hat{f_1} \pm \hat{g_1}$ fitted by Models (8) and (9).



PROB. ELECTRICITY PRICE FORECASTING

- **competition GEFCOM 2014**, sponsored by IEEE Power and Energy Society
 - september 2014-december 2014
 - □ Probabilistic forecast (quantile 1%,...,99%) of hourly electricity prices in US based on:
 - Zonal/total electricity load forecast
 - Past prices
 - Online forecasting of 15 days
 - Performance evaluation: pin-ball loss

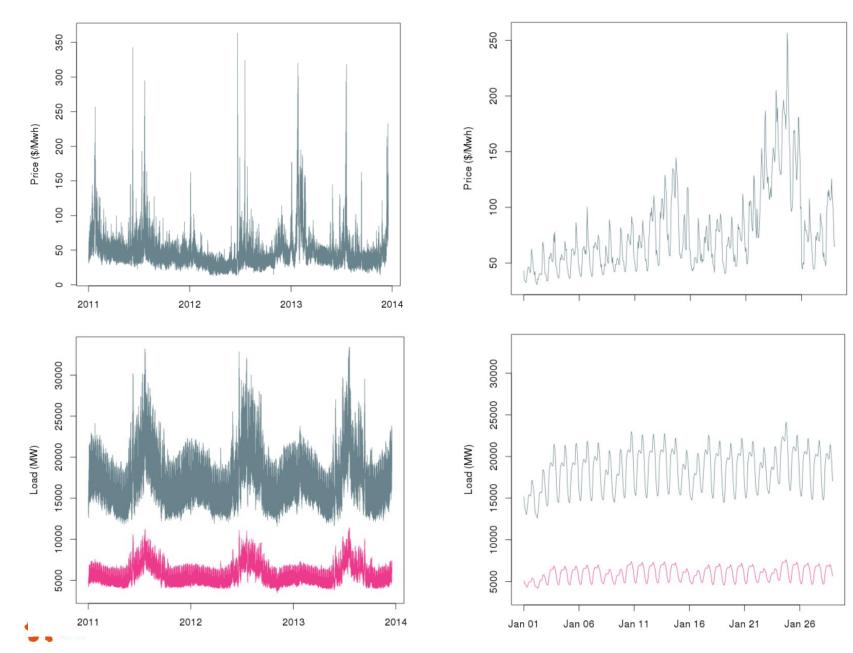


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Focus on h+1, ..., h+24h forecasts



ELECTRICITY PRICE DATA



PROB. ELECTRICITY PRICE FORECASTING *GEFCOM14*

- Aggregation of 13 experts:
 - autoregressive model (AR)

 $log(\mathbf{P}_t) = \alpha_1 \log(\mathbf{P}_{t-24}) + \alpha_2 \log(\mathbf{P}_{t-48}) + \alpha_3 \log(\mathbf{P}_{t-168})$ $+ \alpha_4 \log(\mathbf{P}_{t-164}) + h(\text{DayType}_t) + \varepsilon_t$

- An autoregressive model with forecasted electric loads as additional covariates (ARX).
- A threshold autoregressive model TAR defined as an extension of AR to two regimes depending of the variation of the mean price between a day and eight days ago.
- TARX the extension of ARX to the two regimes model.
- Spike pre-processed autoregressive model PAR
- PARX similar to PAR, but ARX is fitted with pre-processed prices.

inspire from Weron, R., Misiorek, A., 2008. *Forecasting spot electricity prices: A comparison of parametric and semiparametric time series models*. International Journal of Forecasting 24 (4), 744 – 763

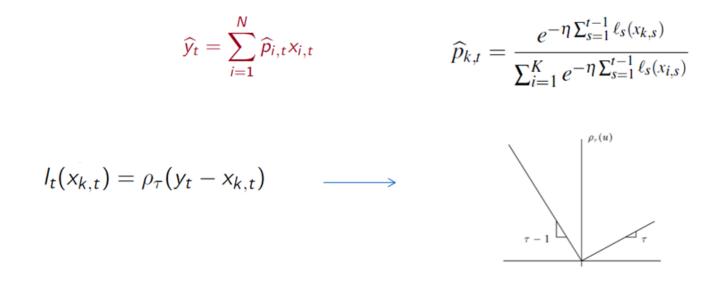
- 2 linear regressions
- □ 2 GAMS
- 2 random forests
- □ GBM

$$log(P_t) = \alpha_1 log(P_{t-24}) + \alpha_2 log(P_{t-48}) + \alpha_3 log(P_{t-168}) + \alpha_4 log(P.max_t) + \alpha_5 FZL_t^{(0.95)} + \alpha_6 FTL_t^{(0.95)} + \alpha_7 FZL_t^{(0.8)} + \alpha_8 FTL_t^{(0.8)} + h(DayType_t) + \varepsilon_t$$



PROB. ELECTRICITY PRICE FORECASTING *GEFCOM14*

Convex) Aggregation with pin-ball loss:



Extension to linear aggregation:

□ substitute to original experts $\beta x_{1,t}, \ldots, \beta x_{K,t}, -\beta x_{1,t}, \ldots, -\beta x_{K,t}$



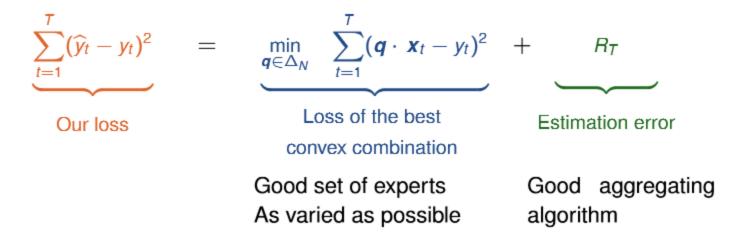
SEQUENTIAL AGGREGATION OF EXPERTS

Each instance t

- Each expert suggests a prediction $x_{i,t}$ of the consumption y_t
- We assign weight to each expert and we predict

$$\widehat{\mathbf{y}}_t = \widehat{\mathbf{p}}_t \cdot \mathbf{x}_t \left(= \sum_{i=1}^N \widehat{p}_{i,t} \mathbf{x}_{i,t} \right)$$

Our goal is to minimize our cumulative loss





EXPONENTIALLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE FORECASTER (EWA)

Each instance t

- Each expert suggests a prediction x_{i,t} of the consumption y_t
- We assign to expert *i* the weight

$$\widehat{p}_{i,t} = \frac{\exp\left(-\eta \sum_{s=1}^{t-1} (x_{i,s} - y_s)^2\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \exp\left(-\eta \sum_{s=1}^{t-1} (x_{j,s} - y_s)^2\right)}$$

- and we predict
$$\hat{y}_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{p}_{i,t} x_{i,t}$$

Our cumulated loss is upper bounded by





EXPONENTIATED GRADIENT FORECASTER (EG)

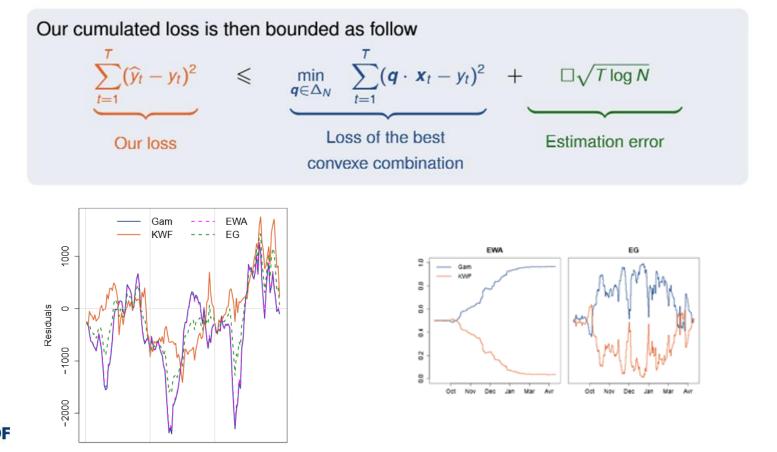
Each instance t

- Each expert suggests a prediction x_{i,t} of the consumption y_t
- We assign to expert *i* the weight

$$\widehat{p}_{i,t} \propto exp\left(-\eta \sum_{s=1}^{t-1} \ell_{i,s}\right)$$

where $\ell_{i,s} = 2(\hat{y}_s - y_s)x_{i,s}$

- and we predict $\hat{y}_t = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}_{i,t} x_{i,t}$



MULTIPLE LEARNING RATE-POLYNOMIAL, RIDGE

Algorithm 1 The polynomially weighted average forecaster with multiple learning rates (ML-Poly) Input: $h \ge 1$, horizon of prediction Initialize: For $t \le h$, $p_t = (1/K, ..., 1/K)$ and $R_1 =$

(0, ..., 0)for each instance t = 1, 2, ..., n - h do

0. pick the learning rates

$$\eta_{k,t} = 1/\left(1 + \sum_{s=1}^{t} \left(\ell_s(\hat{y}_s) - \ell_s(x_{k,s})\right)^2\right)$$

where $\ell_s : x \mapsto x(y_s - \hat{y}_s)$. 1. form the mixture \hat{p}_{t+h} defined component-wise by $\hat{p}_{k,t+h} = \eta_{k,t} (R_{k,t})_+ / [\eta_t \cdot (R_t)_+]$

where x_+ denotes the vector of non-negative parts of the components of x

2. predict
$$\hat{y}_{t+h} = \hat{p}_{t+h} \cdot x_{t+h}$$
 and observe y_{t+1}

3. for each expert k update the regret

$$R_{k,t+1} = R_{k,t} + \ell_t(\hat{y}_{t+1}) - \ell_t(x_{k,t+1})$$

end for

Gaillard, P., Stoltz, G., van Erven, T.: *A second-order bound with excess losses*, **COLT proceedings** (2014).

Gaillard, P. & Goude, Y. *Forecasting electricity consumption by aggregating experts; how to design a good set of experts* to appear in Lecture Notes in Statistics: Modeling and Stochastic Learning for Forecasting in High Dimension, 2014

Automatic calibration works well in practice

Fast tuning

Algorithm 2	The ridge	regression	forecaster	(Ridge)
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Input: $\lambda > 0$, learning rate; $h \ge 1$, horizon Initialize: for $t \le h$, $\hat{p}_t = (1/K, \dots, 1/K)$ for each instance $t = 1, 2, \dots, n$ do 1. form the mixture \hat{p}_{t+h} defined by $\hat{p}_t = \underset{u \in \mathbb{R}^K}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \sum_{s=1}^t (y_s - u \cdot x_s)^2 + \lambda \|u - \hat{p}_0\|_2^2 \right\}$ 2. output prediction $\hat{y}_{t+h} = \hat{p}_{t+h} \cdot x_{t+h}$ end for

Stable weights



OPERA: ONLINE PREDICTION BY EXPERTS AGGREGATION

mixture {	

Compute an aggregation rule

Description

The function mixture performs an aggregation rule chosen by the user. It considers a sequence y of observations to be predicted sequentially with the help of experts advices x. The forms at each instance t a prediction by assigning weight to the experts advices and combining them.

Usage

mixture(y, experts, aggregationRule = "MLpol", w0 = NULL, awake = NULL, href = 1, period = 1, delay = 0, y.ETR = NULL)

Arguments

Y A vector containing the observations to be predicted.

experts A matrix containing the experts forecasts. Each column corresponds to the predictions proposed by an expert to predict Y. It has as many columns as there are experts.

aggregationRule Either a character string specifying the aggregation rule to use or a list with a component name specifying the aggregation rule and any additional parameter needed. Currently available aggregation rules are:

"EWA"

Exponentially weighted average aggregation rule. A positive learning rate eta can be chosen by the user. The bigger it is the faster the aggregation rule will learn from observations and experts performances. However too hight values lead to unstable weight vectors and thus unstable predictions. If it is not specified, the learning rate is calibrated online.

"FS"

Fixed-share aggregation rule. As for ewa, a learning rate eta can be chosen by the user or calibrated online. The main difference with ewa aggregation rule rely in the mixing rate alpha\in [0, 1] wich considers at each instance a small probability alpha to have a rupture in the sequence and that the best expert may change. Fixed-share aggregation rule can thus compete with the best sequence of experts that can change a few times (see bestShifts), while ewa can only compete with the best fixed expert. The mixing rate is either chosen by the user either calibrated online.

"Ridge"

Ridge regression. It minimizes at each instance a penalized criterion. It forms at each instance linear combination of the experts' forecasts and can assign negative weights that not necessarily sum to one. It is useful if the experts are biased or correlated. It cannot be used with specialized experts. A positive regularization coefficient lambda can either be chosen by the user or calibrated online.

"MLpol"

Polynomial Potential aggregation rule with different learning rates for each expert. The learning rates are calibrated using theoretical values. There are similar aggregation rules like "BOA" (Bernstein online Aggregation see [Wintenberger, 2014] "MLewa", and "MLprod" (see [Gaillard, Erven, and Stoltz, 2014])

"pinball"

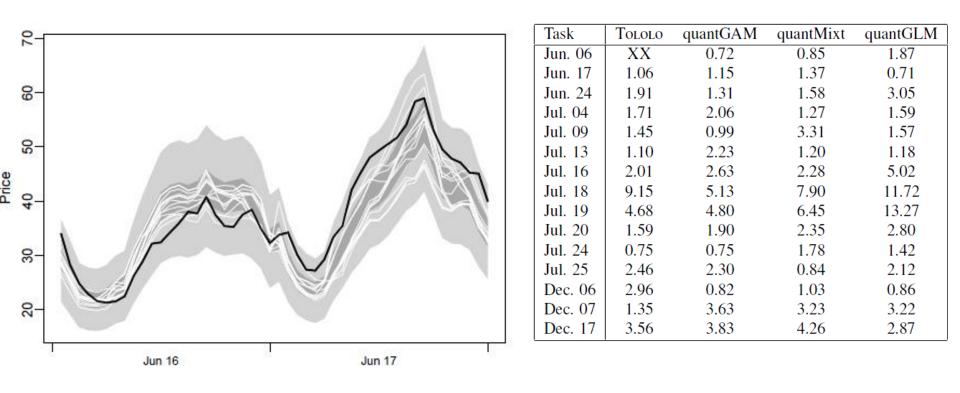
It performs a mixing aggregation rule for quantile regression. At each instance, it forms the mixture by performing a convex minimisation. It chooses the mixture that minimizes among the past a penalized criterion based on cumulated pinball loss.



R Documentation

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Results





PROB. ELECTRICITY PRICE & LOAD FORECASTING GEFCOM14

Results: 1st rank of the competition for both tracks

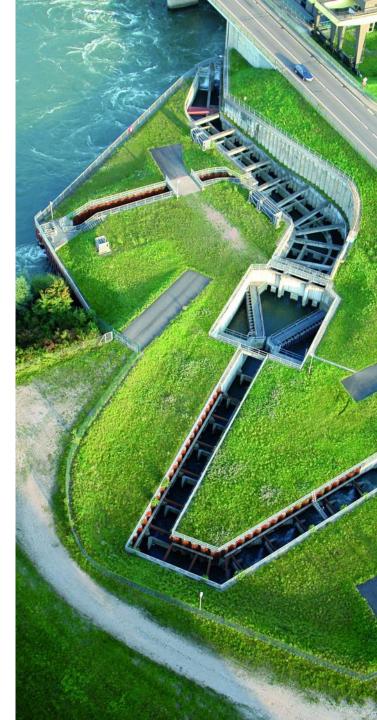


	Load		Price
Ranking	Team	Rating	Team
1	Tololo	50,0%	Tololo
2	Adada	49,0%	Team Poland
3	Jingrui (Rain) Xie	48,0%	GMD
4	OxMath	47,6%	C3 Green Team
5	E.S. Mangalova	45,4%	pat1





VERY SHORT TERM FORECASTING OF INDIVIDUAL / LOCAL PV GENERATION



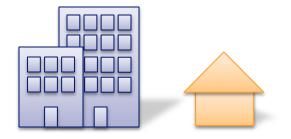
PROBLEM DEFINITION

Development of renewable energies

- Need for prediction of production
 - Electric grid operation
 - Local auto-consumption
- Very short / short / medium term prediction
 Aggregated / local / individual prediction





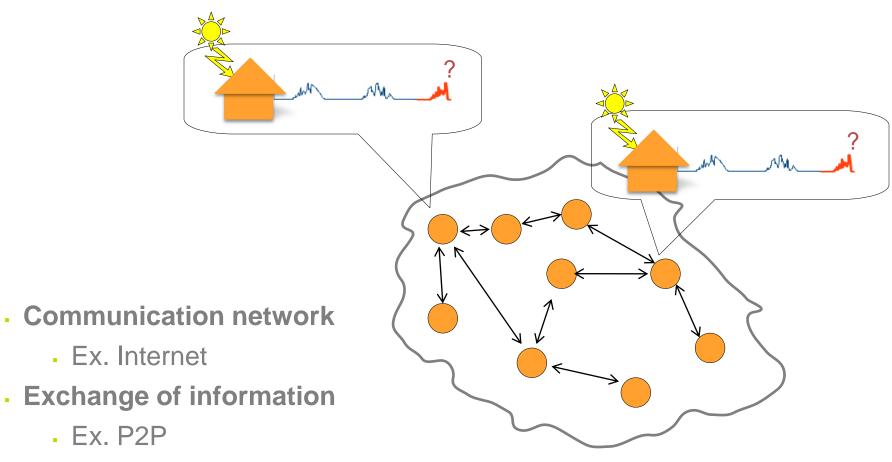


 \rightarrow We focus on very-short term (10' to 3h) individual prediction



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COLLABORATIVE INDIVIDUAL PREDICTIONS



Collaborative statistical model



COLLABORATIVE STATISTICAL MODEL

- W advection vector

$$\widehat{F}^{\star} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ t+h \end{pmatrix} = F^{\star} \begin{pmatrix} P-h \vec{W} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ t \end{pmatrix} \\ t \end{pmatrix}$$

Estimation of advection vector

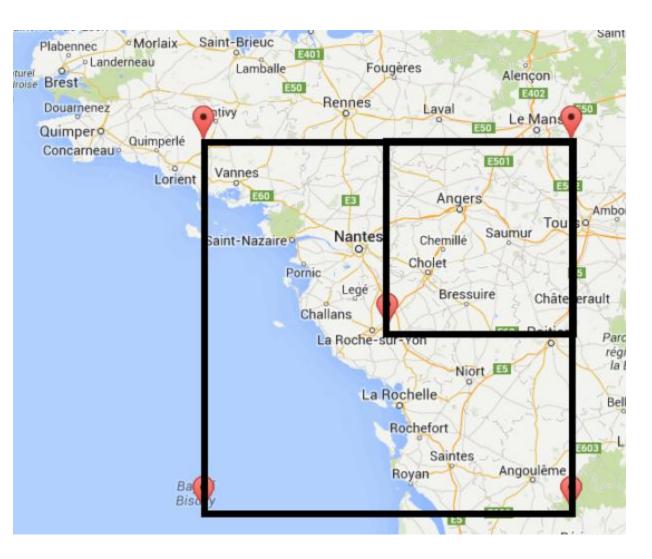
$$\vec{W} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\substack{\vec{W}(P,t) \in \mathcal{V} \\ \vec{W} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ t - \delta t \end{pmatrix}}} \left[\sum_{\substack{P' \in \mathcal{V}(P) \\ t' \in \mathcal{V}(t)}} Erreur \left(F^{\star} \begin{pmatrix} P' - h\vec{W} \\ t' - h \end{pmatrix}, F^{\star} \begin{pmatrix} P' \\ t' \end{pmatrix} \right) \right]$$



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EVALUATION ON CLOUD COVERAGE DATABASE

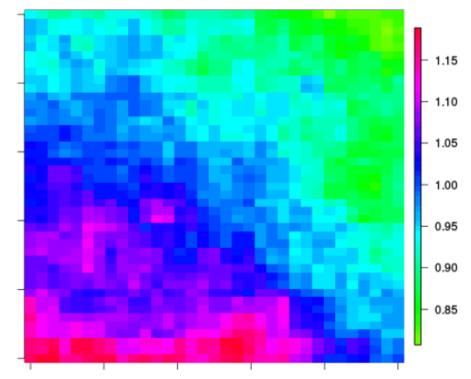
- Météo France
- Satellite observation
- 43 * 33 pixels
- 1 pixel: 3.3km x 4.5 km
- Cloud type: every 15'
- **2011 2012**





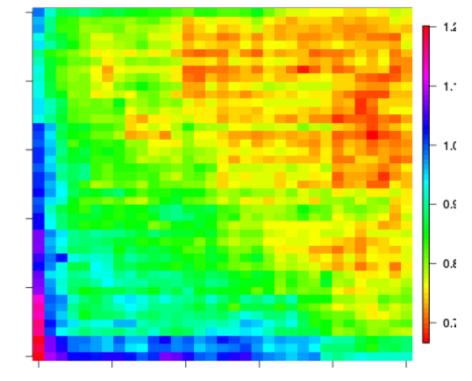
EVALUATION ON CLOUD COVERAGE DATABASE

- Comparison with corrected persistence
- Slight improvement



erreur / production à 95%, par panneau persistance corrigée à 15 minutes, en hiver

erreur / production 95%, par panneau VAMP à 15 minutes, en hiver





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OPEN QUESTIONS

Spatio-temporal data models

- Spatio-temporal dynamics for PV, Wind power forecasting
- Statistical meteorological forecasts (T°, solar radiation, wind), specially probabilistic forecasts

Other probabilistic approaches:

Price forecasting: non-Gaussian GAMs (GAM Iss...)

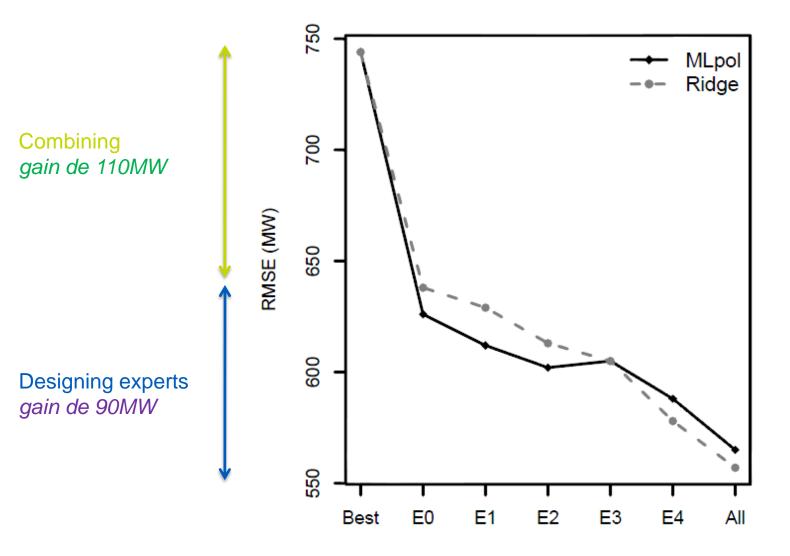
- Non-linear quantile regression with additive models:
 - A need for theoretical work on our 2 step procedure
 - work on real quantile GAM, not only linear adjustement of the median model
 - Adaptive (with time) forecasts to deal with breaks, data flow (related to BAM)
- Improvement are coming from agregation of experts (specially on short horizons)
 Derive experts from GAMs (bagging, covariate selection, focus on special periods...)
 machine learning method (Random forest, gradient boosting machine, deep learing)





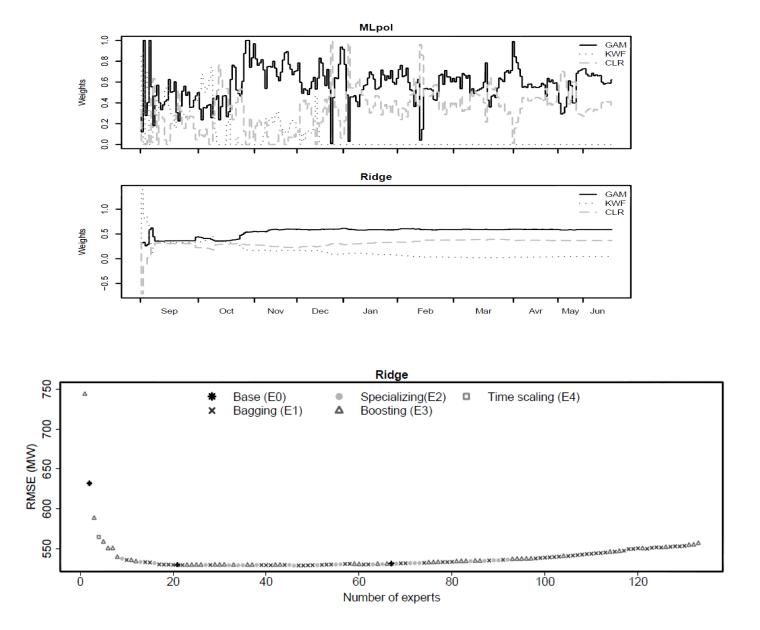


AGGREGATION



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AGGREGATION



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WEATHER STATION SELECTION

 $Y_t = f_1(Toy_t) + f_2(t) + f_3(T_t) + h(DayType_t) + \varepsilon_t$

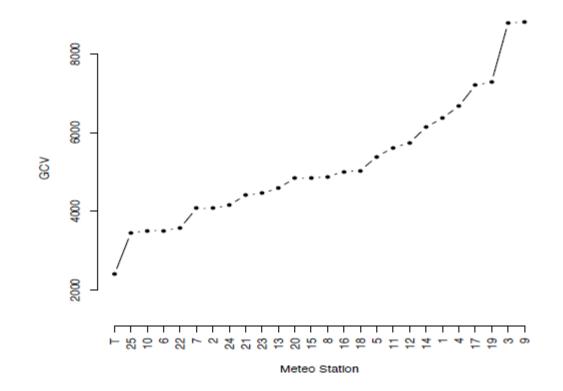


Figure 2: GCV score obtained for each temperature station compared to the one obtained by the average temperature T_t .

