AQ Forecast in Emilia-Romagna, Italy

An attempt to verify forecast with a probabilistic approach

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Forecast used to activate extra actions to reduce emissions during episodes of high PM concentrations (concentration > 50 μ g/m³)

reliability is required



Post Processing: IBIS module

Adjusting quantitative CTM prediction with observed daily concentrations

Statistical bayesian model for real-time adjustment

Observed data model $Y_t(s) = Z_t(s) + \varepsilon_t(s) \qquad \varepsilon_t(s) \sim N(0, \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2) \qquad \text{autocorrelation}$ **Latent process** $Z_t(s) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_t(B) + \rho Z_{t-1}(s) + \eta_t(s) \qquad s \in B$ $(\eta_{0,t}(s_1), \dots, \eta_{0,t}(s_n)) \sim N(0, \sigma_{\eta}^2 S_{\eta}(\phi, \nu)) \qquad t = 1, \dots, 14$ $\star \beta_0: \text{ global additive bias}$ $\star \beta_1 X_t(B_s): \text{ global multiplicative bias}$ $\star \rho Z_{t-1}(s): \text{ autoregressive term to model auto-correlation between}$ $\mathsf{PM}_{10} \text{ measurements on successive days}$ $\star \eta_t(s): \text{ local additive bias (spatially varying intercept process)}$

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Deterministic approach Probabilistic approach



https://www.arpae.it/ concentration



80% 70%

50% 40% 30%

10%

90% 80% 70%

60%

50%

40%

30% 20%

10%

100%

40%

30%

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nome	prov	d0	d1	d2	P>50 d0	P>50 d1	P>500
CITTADELLA	PR	33	55	26	16	59	6
BADIA	PR	25	49	16	5	48	0
SARAGAT	PR	36	54	36	22	58	22
CASTELLARANO	RE	35	53	19	22	55	1
S. LAZZARO	RE	37	57	28	23	62	9
FEBBIO	RE	6	6	5	0	0	0
S. ROCCO	RE	35	53	36	19	56	22
REMESINA	MO	35	49	34	18	48	17
PARCO FERRARI	MO	38	53	30	26	56	11
GAVELLO	MO	31	52	42	14	52	33
PARCO EDILCARANI	MO	42	66	29	35	74	10
LUGAGNANO	PC	19	28	11	1	10	0
BESENZONE	PC	29	47	31	11	45	15
PARCO MONTECUCCO	PC	33	47	29	17	43	9
CORTE BRUGNATELLA	PC	6	5	5	0	0	0
PARCO RESISTENZA	FC	26	30	22	7	10	2
FRANCHINI-ANGELONI	FC	23	24	20	2	4	1
SAVIGNANO	FC	24	25	22	4	5	2
SAVIGNANO DI RIGO	FC	8	6	7	0	0	0

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IBIS NINFA DMO

DMO

2023



DMO



TRAFIC BACKGROUND



ExcDays PM10



PM10-IBIS14GD0-2023

Strt/end Ind: 1-8760 Model (s): IBIS14GD0 Parameter: PM10 Scen: 2023 Extra Values: 50 Season: Year Day hours: All 24h Time Average: Preserve Daily stats: Mean

Forecast Threshold Performance Normalized PM10

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with respect to persistance

What about probability?

Can we say anything about model performance in predicting probability of exceedance?

tentative probabilistic verification

Empirical coverage

How good is model in explaining variability?

how many times is the observation in the credible range of prediction, i.e. 95% percentile(0.025) < observation < percentile(0.975)





Relative Operating Characteristic

probabilistic prediction can be converted to deterministic for each probability threshold

if $p > p_{Th} =>$	X=1 yes
else	X=0 no

Relative Operating Characterics (ROC) curve - IBIS d0



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event X: exceedance

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Forecast probability, yi

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Outcome

- The AQ forecast NINFA DMO satisfy the requirements
- The statistical post processing IBIS contributes to reduce quantitative bias
- The performance categorical prediction of exceedance depends on threshold
- A probabilistic approach is evaluated
- Open question: is it a probabilistic forecast worth for episode warning?

Thank you for your attention

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