Attention LSTM

Evaluation of Time Series Forecasting Performance: a Comparison With LSTM and SARIMA

ALSTM

Main Features

Direct communication between time steps Hypothesis:

Better forecasting performace Learn longer patterns in time series

LSTM

Features

Distant time steps can not communicate directly

Problems

Computationally heavy to learn long patterns

SARIMA

AR

MA

AutoRegressive:

Moving Average:

$$X_t = c + \sum_{i=1}^p arphi_i X_{t-i} + arepsilon_t.$$

 $X_t = \mu + arepsilon_t + \sum_{i=1}^q heta_i arepsilon_{t-i}$

Seasonal:

Accounts for ciclicity of time series

Integrated:

Differentiation makes time series stationary

Training Strategies

ALSTM & LSTM:

SARIMA:



Dataset & Context

Daily frequency, 2015 to 2018

Electricity Data

Spanish electricity grid load

Weather Data

Spain's 5 biggest cities Min, max and average temperature Precipitation (rain and snow)

Main Task:

Forecast following day/month grid load

Following Day Prediction RMSE

ALSTM:	0,2106	<u>±</u>	0,0059
LSTM:	0,2110	<u>±</u>	0,0013

LSTM: 0,1802

Following Month Prediction

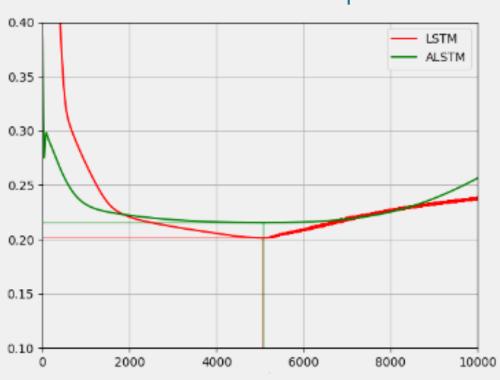
RMSE

ALSTM:	0,218	\pm 0,028
LSTM:	0,216	± 0,024
SARIMA:	0,195	± 0,025

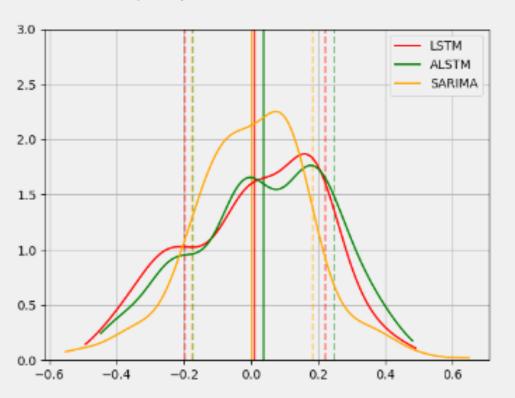
1st order diff. RMSE

ALSTM:	0,226	<u>±</u>	0,028
LSTM:	0,250	<u>+</u>	0,026
SARIMA:	0,249	+	0,026

Validation RMSE over Epochs



Following Day Forecast Error Distribution



	MEAN	STD
ALSTM:	-0,023	0,210
LSTM:	-0,023	0,209
SARIMA:	-0,003	0,180