A Real-Time Anomaly Detection in Satellite Telemetry Data Using Artificial Intelligence Techniques Depending on Time-Series Analysis

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Abstract:

Effective detection and identification of anomaly data in massive satellite telemetry is vital process to effective utilization of satellite. In this paper, a novel detection and identification data sets, the novel detection and identification method for satellite anomaly is proposed. The proposed method depends on time-series analysis to detect possible future problems for handling them based on the Auto-regressive integrated moving average (ARIMA), Prophet, Long Short Term Memory (LSTM), and Auto-encoder algorithms. The proposed method is an automated anomaly detection for satellite telemetry data based on the actual observed values relative to predicted to find anomalous events.

The proposed method composed of four stages. During first stage, preprocessing for the raw telemetry data missing values linear interpolated. In second stage, Down-casting to reduce the memory storage. Based on this symbolization, the pseudo-period of the data extracted. During third stage, transformation, Scaling and normalization applies. The experimental results using data sets using Prophet model predictions high efficiency, stable when detecting anomalies, and requires little computational time. The results of Prophet compared with other applied algorithms, demonstrate the effectiveness and superiority of the proposed model.

I. INTRODUCTION

Satellite system consists of subsystems integrated to perform intended satellite functions. Satellite subsystems include Power, Command and data handling (CDHS), Communication, Thermal control, attitude determination and control, Telemetry, tracking, and command (TT&C), Propulsion and payload.

Satellite telemetry provides satellite status current data. As artificial satellites transmit more telemetry data, human specialists analyze these data in real-time, but its large size makes this analysis extremely difficult. Better systems are needed to automatically detect anomalies to reduce the burden of monitoring on process engineers and reduce operational risks.

Current anomaly detection methods for spacecraft telemetry primarily consist of tiered alarms indicating when values stray outside of predefined limits and manual analysis of visualizations and aggregate channel statistics. Expert systems and nearest neighbor- based approaches have also been implemented for a small number of spacecraft [13]. These approaches have well-documented limitations – extensive expert knowledge and human capital are needed to define and update nominal ranges and perform ongoing analysis of telemetry. Statistical and limit-based or density-based approaches are also prone to missing anomalies that occur within defined limits or those characterized by a temporal element [9].

Looking at existing COTS (Commercial off-the-shelf), There are some available systems to discuss:

- Receiving and storing telemetry data. Then, in a manual way, detect anomalies and outliers using some traditional statistical algorithms.

- Monitor satellite telemetry data in real-time by using tools to analyze stored data, which consumes a lot of time without high accuracy.

The breadth and depth of research in anomaly detection offers numerous definitions of anomaly types, but with regard to time- series data it is useful to consider three categories of anomalies – ***point, contextual*** and

collective [9]. Point anomalies are single values that fall within low-density regions of values, collective anomalies indicate that a sequence of values is anomalous rather than any single value by itself, and contextual anomalies are single values that do not fall within low-density regions yet are anomalous with regard to local values.

Challenges central to anomaly detection in multivariate time series data also hold for spacecraft telemetry. A lack of labeled anomalies necessitates the use of unsupervised or semi-supervised approaches. Real world systems are usually highly non-stationary and dependent on current context. Data being monitored are often heterogeneous, noisy, and high-dimensional. In scenarios where anomaly detection is being used as a diagnostic tool, a degree of interpretability is required.

This paper proposes an automated anomaly detection for satellite data with minimal manual tuning and without real time supervision. The proposed methodology based on artificial Intelligence techniques that uses time-series analysis to detect possible anticipate problems for handling to avoid harm that shorten life on impact performance.

The rest of this paper is organized as following: In section two, a description of time series models. Section three, the proposed model.

II. TIME SERIES MODELS

A time series is a sequence where a metric is recorded over regular time intervals. Depending on the frequency, a time series can be of yearly, quarterly, monthly, weekly, daily, hourly, minutes and even seconds wise.

A stationary time series is a series whose statistical properties do not depend on the time at which the series is observed, that is, its mean and variance. Hence, trends or seasonal time series are not stationary. The trend and seasonality will affect the time series value at different times. The stationary is very important because it is easy to make predictions on a stationary series as we can assume that future statistical properties will not differ from those

currently observed. Future projections will be wrong if the original series were not stationary.

Differencing is a statistical approach to making a time series dataset stationary by transforming it. It can be used to remove the series dependence on time, so-called temporal dependence. Trends and seasonality are examples of such structures. By removing variations in the level of a time series, differencing can assist in stabilizing the mean of the time series, hence eliminating (or reducing) trend and seasonality.

A. ARIMA

ARIMA stands for "Auto-Regressive Integrated Moving Average". ARIMA models provide an approach to time series prediction and provide complementary approaches to the problem. It refers to a set of models that explain a time series based on its past values, that is, its lag and lagging prediction errors so that this equation can be used to predict future values. It aims to describe automatic correlations in the data. ARIMA models can be used to model any non-seasonal time series that have patterns and are not random white noise. It's characterized by three terms: Auto Regressive(p), Integrated(d) and Moving Average(q).

B. Prophet

Prophet is a procedure for forecasting time series data based on an additive model where non-linear trends are fit with yearly, weekly, and daily seasonality, plus holiday effects. It's a curve-fitting algorithm to build time series, forecasting models. It is open-source software released by Facebook's Core Data Science team. It designed for ease of use without expert knowledge on time series forecasting or statistics. It Builds a model by finding the best smooth line which can be represented as the sum of three component; Overall growth trend, Yearly seasonality and Weekly seasonality.

Prophet library was launched by Facebook as an API for carrying out the forecasting related things for time series data. The library is so powerful that it has the capability of handling stationarity within the data and seasonality-related components.

C. Long Short-Term Memory

Long Short-Term Memory networks – usually just called "LSTMs" – are a special kind of RNN, capable of learning long-term dependencies. They were introduced by Hoch Reiter & Schmid Huber (1997) and were refined and popularized by many people in the following work. The Long Short-Term Memory network, or LSTM network, is a recurrent neural network that is trained using Backpropagation Through Time and overcomes the vanishing gradient problem. As such, it can be used to create large recurrent networks that in turn can be used to address difficult sequence problems in machine learning and achieve state-of-the-art results.

Instead of neurons, LSTM networks have memory blocks that are connected through layers. A block has components that make it smarter than a classical neuron and a memory for recent sequences. A block contains gates that manage the block's state and output.

D. Auto Encoder

Auto-encoders are neural networks. the defining aspect of an auto-encoder is that the input layers contain exactly as much information and have the exact same number of units as the output layer. The reason is that an auto-encoder aims to replicate the input data. It outputs a copy of the data after analyzing it and reconstructing it in an unsupervised technique. Auto-encoders operate by taking in data, compressing, and encoding the data, and then reconstructing the data from the encoding representation. The model is trained until the loss is minimized and the data is reproduced as closely as possible. Through this process, an auto-encoder can learn the important features of the data. The data that moves through an auto-encoder is not just mapped straight from input to output, meaning that the network does not just copy the input data.

III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

Received telemetry data contain two types of data must get rid of them which are outlier data (Extreme values) and anomaly (referred to the identification of events that do not conform to an

expected pattern). However, if the data collected includes, for example, tensor (multi-way) structure, space-time measurement values, such as the measurement of satellite subsystems, some significant anomalies may stay hidden. Considering that the proposed system aims to manage satellite telemetry data, so an anomaly/outlier detection system is necessary to monitor and characterize the telemetry data.

The system is being developed to capture data from satellites, considering the cadence of the data (the regular frequency at which measurements are taken) is one measurement every T minutes. The developed system aimed to forecast time series data and detect anomalies.

A. *System Design*

The design of proposed system includes, software architecture design and user interface design. The overall system architecture is depicted in figure 1 as following:

The Satellite Anomaly Detection system receives the telemetry data from the satellite in the LEO and then provides feedback/status to the FCC based on the input, in this case, to give a warning that something may go wrong. Using an adapted time series model that detect normal pattern then classify anomalies based on prediction error. Also, the Satellite Anomaly Detection system can forecast future telemetry values for a specified period in the future.
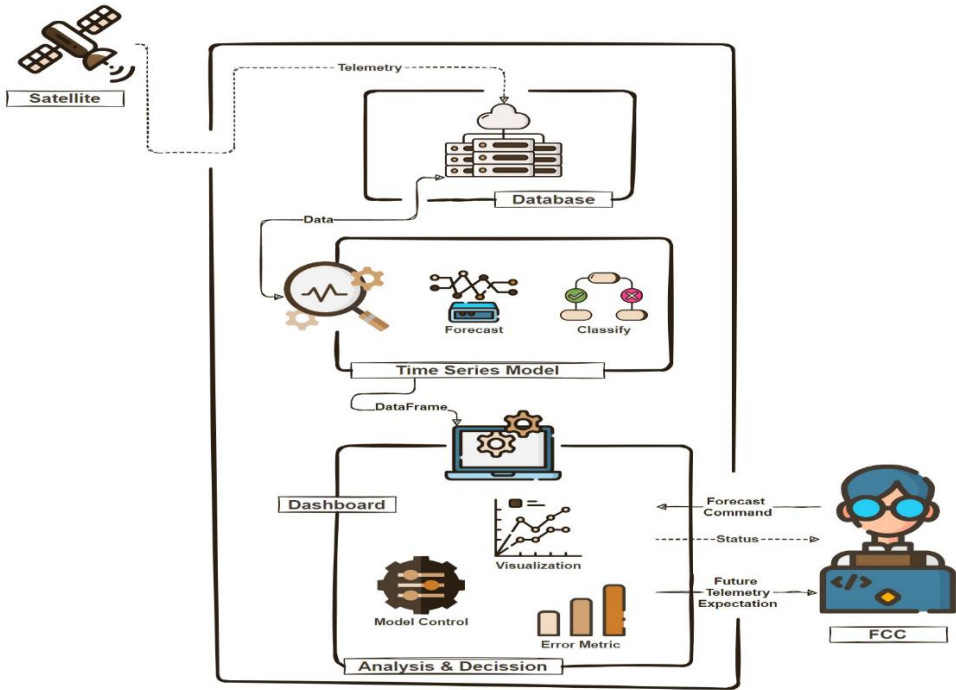
Figure 1. System architecture

The designed user interface included control card of the model to represent the capture interval (daily, weekly, or yearly seasonal) and represent the selected interval: week, month, or year to updates the model and data.

It is also designed data streaming card to plot telemetry data points in real-time and to give a clear visualization of data patterns, and anomalies with their impacts, also to visualize model forecasts. Finally, design dashboard interface to summarize all operations of the proposed system including: Model controls interface, Data streaming interface, Seasonal interface, Histogram interface and Error Bar-chart Card interface as illustrated in figure 4.

B. *implementation*

The implementation process is to study a satellite data in low earth orbit then developing a real-time dashboard that can detect

anomalies in real time. The implementation, including code, system architecture as well as graphs and results.

- **Dataset** comes from NASA's satellite in low earth orbit that is using sensors for studying purposes. This satellite lifetime around 20 years, data have been collected over this period, which is just a value of subsystem measurements called Telemetry Data. This research chooses the most critical subsystem datasets the influence directly in the satellite life time. The chosen datasets are battery temperature, total spacecraft bus, bus voltage and reaction wheel RPM.

    Battery Temperature Dataset: It is a **univariate** time series with 1,518,180 readings for battery temperature recorded over roughly 15 years. "Univariate" means that it tracks only one variable's values over time. The cadence of the data is one measurement every 5 minutes.

    Total Spacecraft Bus Current Dataset: A satellite bus or spacecraft bus is a general model on which multiple-production satellite spacecraft are often based. The bus is the infrastructure of the spacecraft, usually providing locations for the payload.

    Bus Voltage Dataset: It is a univariate time series with 1,838,088 readings for bus voltage recorded over roughly 18 years. The cadence of the data is one measurement every 5 minutes.

    Reaction Wheel RPM Dataset: It is a univariate time series with 48,865,494 readings for RPM recorded over roughly 10 years. The cadence of the data is one measurement every second. A reaction wheel is sometimes operated as (and referred to as) a momentum wheel, by operating it at a constant (or near-constant) rotation speed, to imbue a satellite with a large amount of stored angular momentum.

- *Data Preprocessing*

    The dataset sometimes not complete due to not all subsystems are working all the time (like reaction wheel), or weakness of signal or loss of communications.

    Linear interpolation is the simplest method of getting values at positions in between the data points. The points are simply joined by

straight line segments. Know the formula for the linear interpolation process. The formula is

$$y(x) = y1 + (x - x1)\frac{(y2 - y1)}{(x2 - x1)}$$

where x is the known value, y is the unknown value, x1 and y1 are the coordinates that are below the known x value, and x2 and y2 are the coordinates that are above the x value. In the mathematical field of numerical analysis, interpolation is a method of constructing new data points within the range of a discrete set of known data points. A few data points from the original function can be interpolated to produce a simpler function that is still fairly close to the original.

Due to the high sampling rates of physical sensors, a time series reduction is applied. Resampling and Peak Detection approaches have been applied to solve this problem while the key characteristics of the data remain unchanged.

- **Modeling**

This phase was for implementing and applying the different time series models: ARIMA, prophet, LSTM and Autoencoder models on the data set for different satellite subsystems, Figure 2 and Figure 3.

Arima model on Reaction Wheel Temperature Data Set
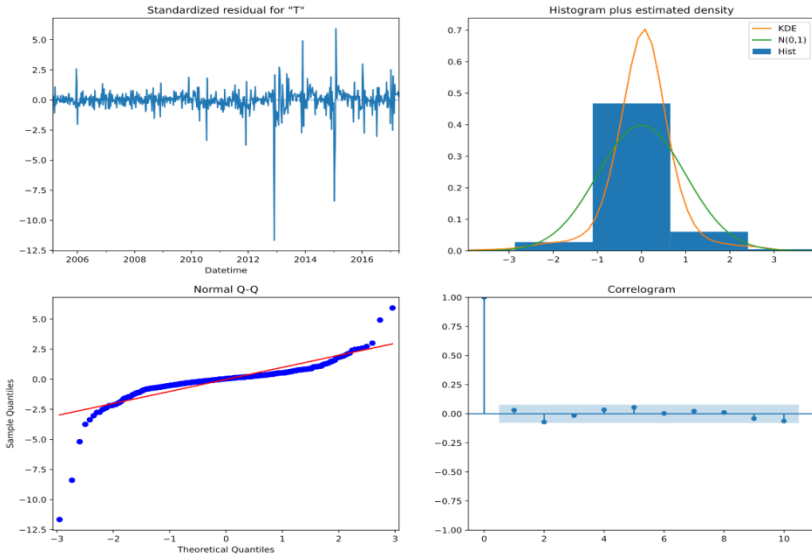
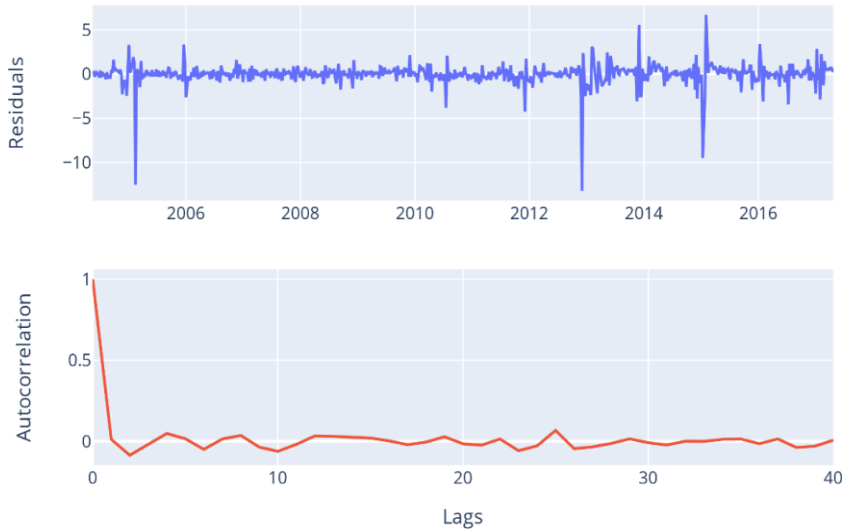*Figure 2 . ARIMA Model on Data stream*

Figure3 . Residuals

- **Dashboard implementation**

   The implemented dashboard is to perform a comparison between the real streaming from the satellite and the database.

Figure 4. Implemented Dashboard interface

C. *Testing*

- *Stationarity Test*

   Stationarity Test by using **Plotting Rolling Statistics** to find rolling mean and variance to check stationary. Another way to check stationarity by using **Dickey-Fuller Test.**

   - Results for **Dickey-Fuller Test**
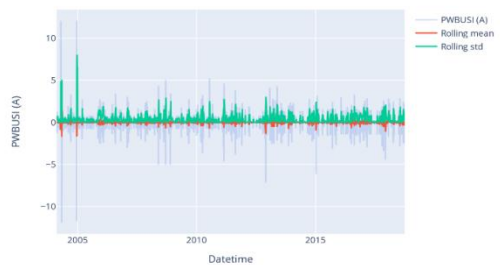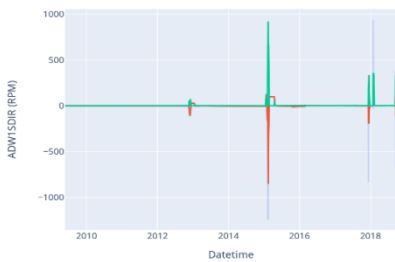
Figure 5. Rolling statistics plot for reaction wheel RPM Figure 6. Rolling statistics for total spacecraft bus current
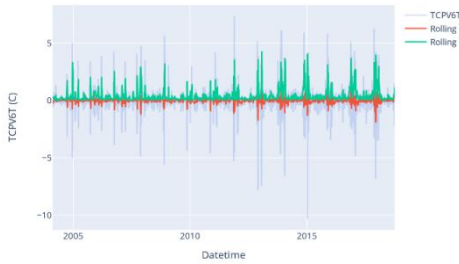
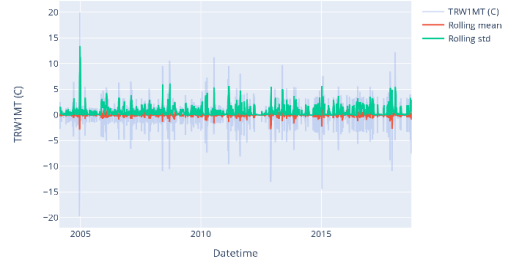*Figure 7 Rolling statistics for battery Temp*

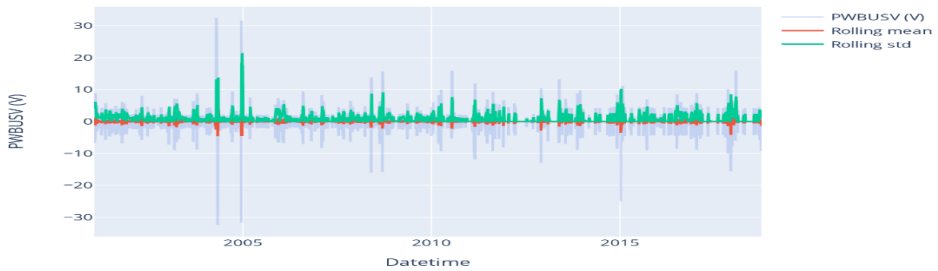*Figure 8 Rolling statistics for wheel temp*

Figure 9. Rolling statistics for bus voltage

- **Train test split**

Splitting dataset into training and testing subsets. The model can be prepared on the training dataset and predictions can be made and evaluated for the test dataset. This can be done by selecting an arbitrary split point in the ordered list of observations and creating two new datasets.

- **Multi Train Test Split**

A repetition of the process of splitting the time series into train and test sets multiple times will require multiple models to be trained and evaluated, but this additional computational expense will provide a more robust estimate of the expected performance of the chosen method and configuration on unseen data. This can done manually

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by repeating the process described in the previous section with different split points.

D. EXPERIMENTAL WORK

For many spacecrafts, current anomaly detection systems are difficult to assess. The precision and recall of alarms aren't captured and telemetry assessments are often performed manually. At this section there are implementation to some experiments using the proposed model on data like (Reaction Wheel Temperature, Battery Temperature, Reaction Wheel Temperature, Bus Voltage and Reaction Wheel RPM), and Observed Anomalies/Outliers .

Experiment 1 Reaction Wheel Temperature

Training Size	Test Size	Valid Size	Cadence	Model	Time Consumed	Scaler	Optimizer	Loss	Epochs
689	76	0	Week	ARIMA	56min	None	AIC	MSE	None
4811	535	0	Day	Prophet	8.45 s	None	Stan	MSE	None
3849	535	962	Day	LSTM	30min 41s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25
3367	535	1443	Day	Autoencoder	3min	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25

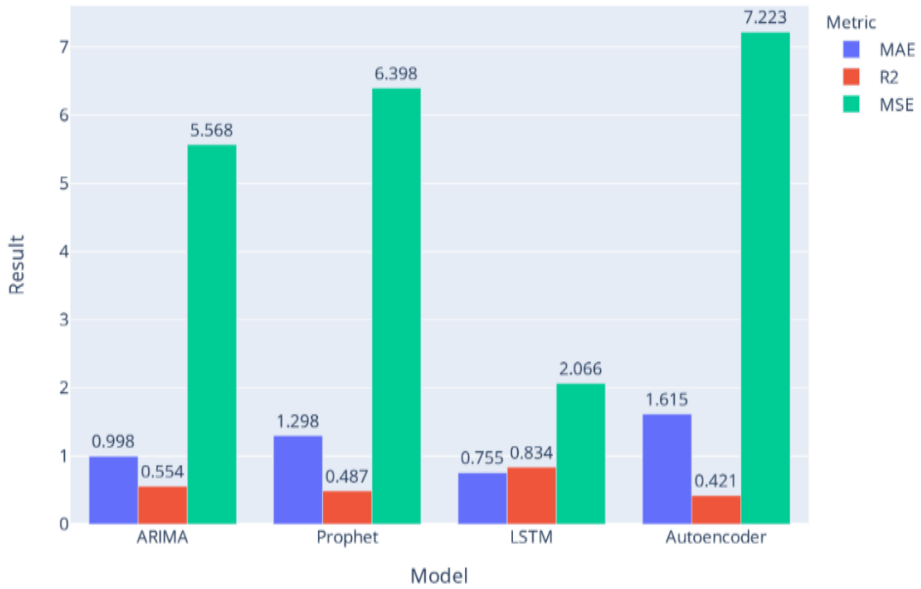*Figure 10. Reaction Wheel Temperature Forecast*

Figure 11. Reaction Wheel Temperature Forecast Error

<u>Experiment 2</u> Battery Temperature

Training Size	Test Size	Valid Size	Cadence	Model	Time Consumed	Scaler	Optimizer	Loss	Epochs
689	76	0	Week	ARIMA	1h 9min 50s	None	AIC	MSE	None
4811	535	0	Day	Prophet	8.9 s	None	Stan	MSE	None
3849	535	962	Day	LSTM	34min 25s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25
3340	535	1431	Day	Autoencoder	2min 6s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25

Model Error

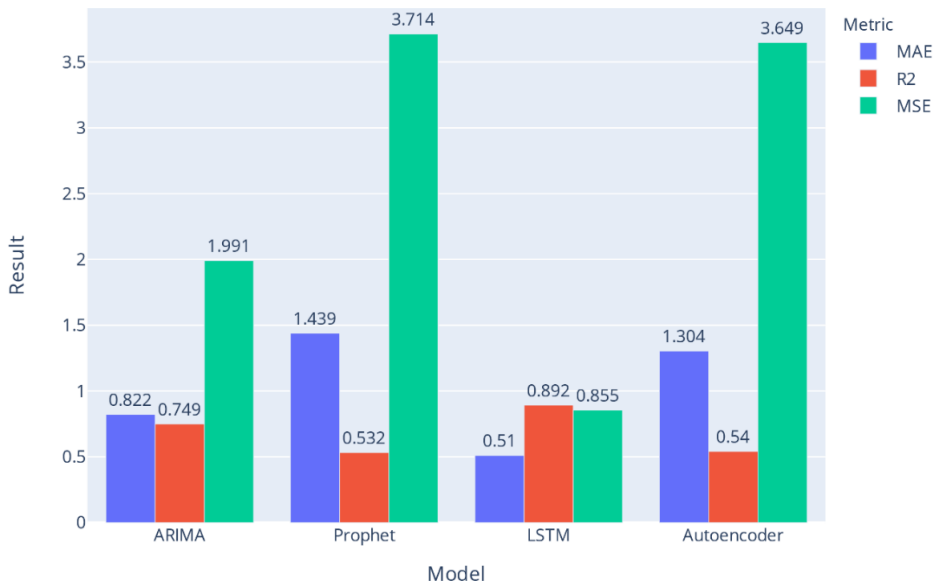*Figure 12. Battery Temperature Forecast*

Figure 13. Battery Temperature Forecast

Experiment 3 Reaction Wheel RPM

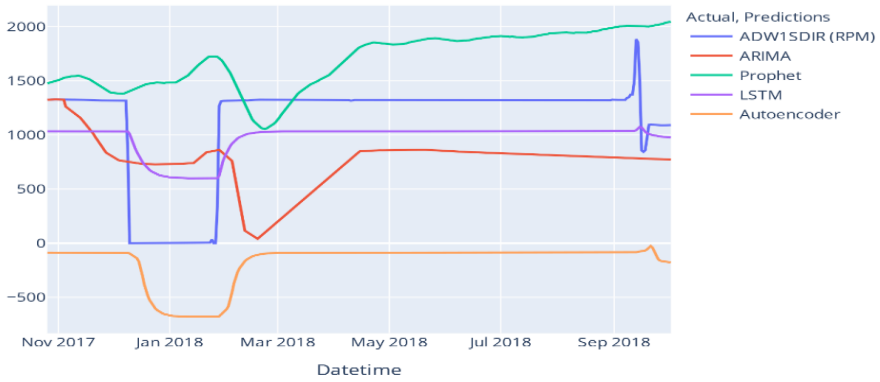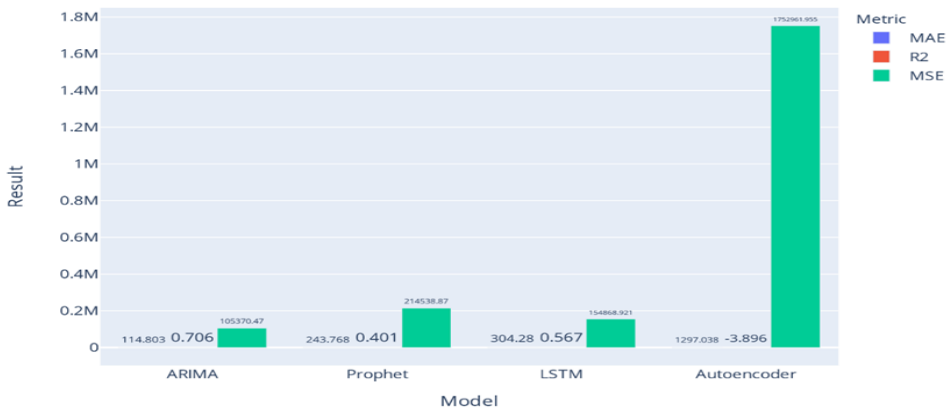| Training Size	Test Size	Valid Size	Cadence	Model	Time Consumed	Scaler	Optimizer	Loss	Epochs
441	49	0	Week	ARIMA	55min 23s	None	AIC	MSE	None
3079	342	0	Day	Prophet	8.85 s	None	Stan	MSE	None
2463	342	616	Day	LSTM	22.6 s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25
2128	342	911	Day	AE	1min 11s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25

Figure 14. Reaction wheel RPM Forecast

Figure 15. Reaction wheel RPM Forecast Error

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<u>Experiment 4</u> Total Spacecraft Bus Current

Training Size	Test Size	Valid Size	Cadence	Model	Time Consumed	Scaler	Optimizer	Loss	Epochs
689	76	0	Week	ARIMA	1h 8min 11s	None	AIC	MSE	None
4811	535	0	Day	Prophet	12.3 s	None	Stan	MSE	None
3849	535	962	Day	LSTM	3min 6s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	25
3367	535	1443	Day	AE	2min 2s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	7

Figure16.Total Spacecraft Bus Current Forecast

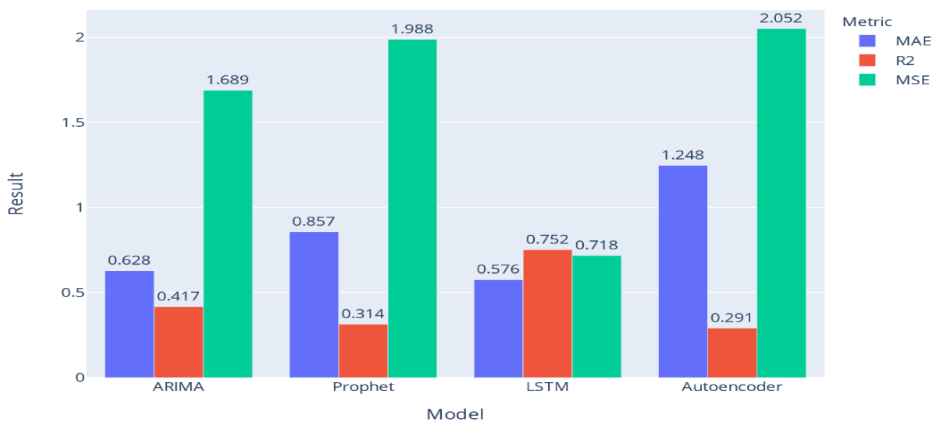## <u>*Model Error*</u>

Figure 17. Total Spacecraft Bus Current Forecast Error

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<u>Experiment 5</u> Bus Voltage

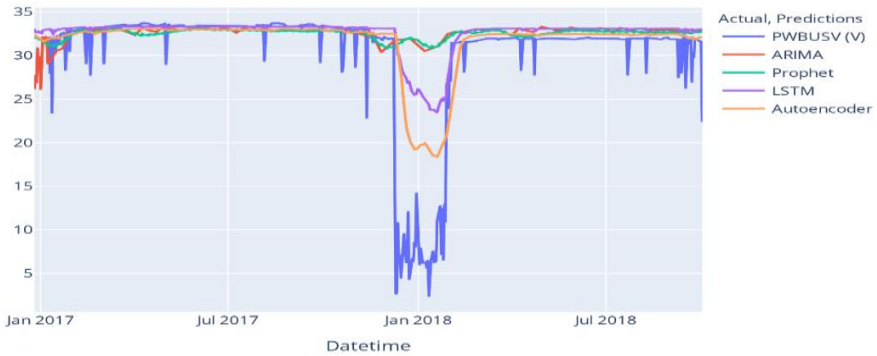| Training Size	Test Size	Valid Size	Cadence	Model	Time Consumed	Scaler	Optimizer	Loss	Epochs
689	76	0	Week	ARIMA	1h 30min 36s	None	AIC	MSE	None
5818	646	0	Day	Prophet	13.4 s	None	Stan	MSE	None
4654	1164	646	Day	LSTM	43.4 s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	5
4045	646	1733	Day	AE	5min 34s	MinMaxScaler	Adam	MSE	20

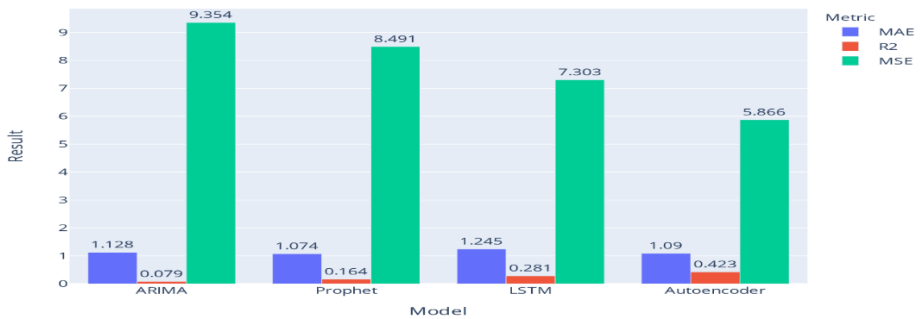*Figure 18. Bus Voltage Forecast*

<u>*Model Error*</u>

Figure 19. Bus Voltage Forecast error

Observed Anomalies/Outliers

Classified Results

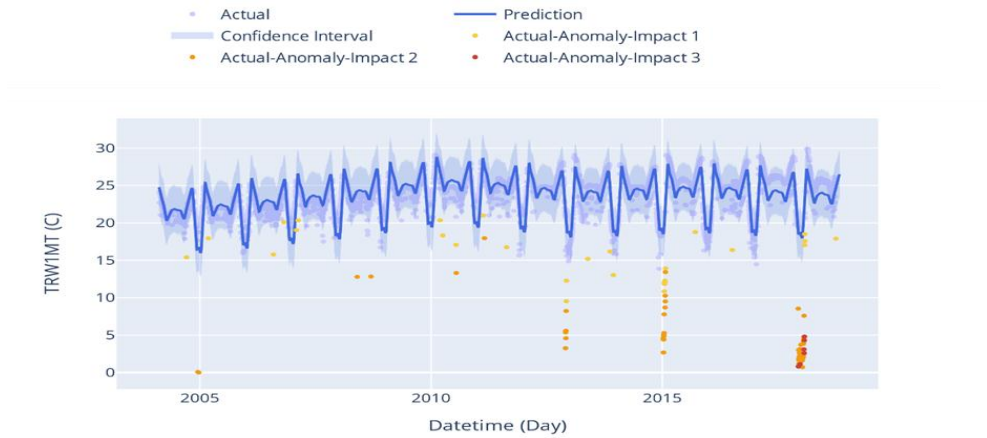|	Total Observations	Normal Observations	Anomaly Impact 1	Anomaly Impact 2	Anomaly Impact 3		
TCPV6T (C)	5346	5056	247	43	0		
ADW1SDIR (RPM)			3421	3331	55	20	15
TRW1MT (C)			5346	5243	29	67	7
PWBUSV (V)			6464	6322	53	52	37
PWBUSI (A)			5346	5214	49	76	7

Reaction Wheel Temperature

Figure 20. Observed Anomalies/Outliers Reaction Wheel Temperature
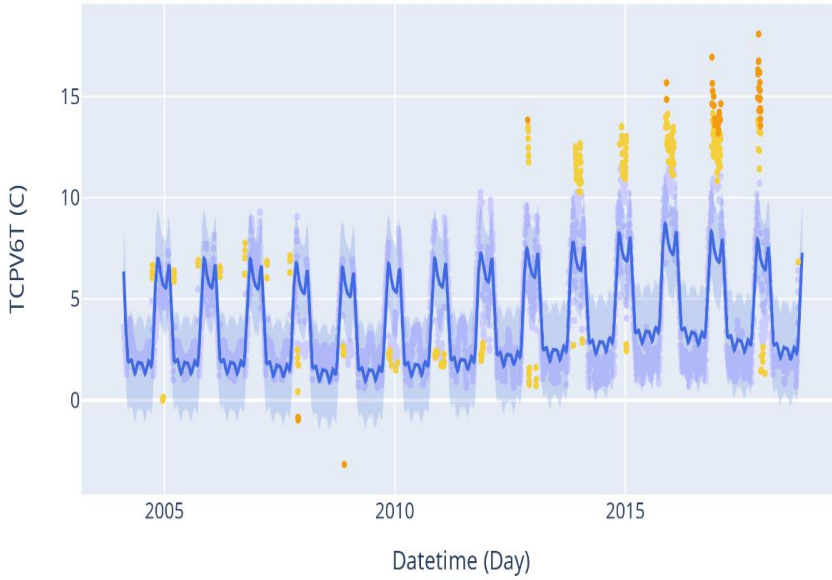
Battery Temperature

Figure 21. Observed Anomalies/Outliers Battery Temperature
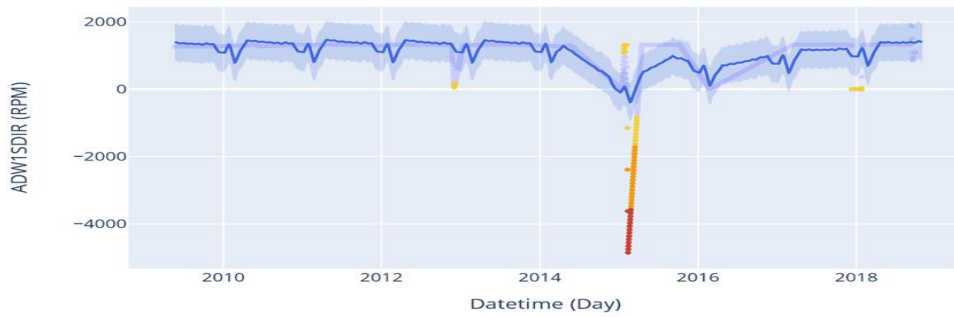
Reaction Wheel RPM

Figure 22 1Observed Anomalies/Outliers Reaction Wheel RPM
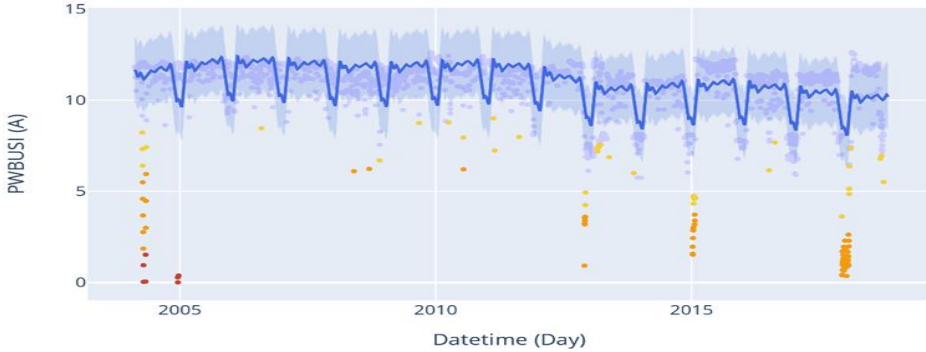
Total Spacecraft Bus Current

Figure 23. Observed Advanced Anomalies/outliers Spacecraft Bus Current
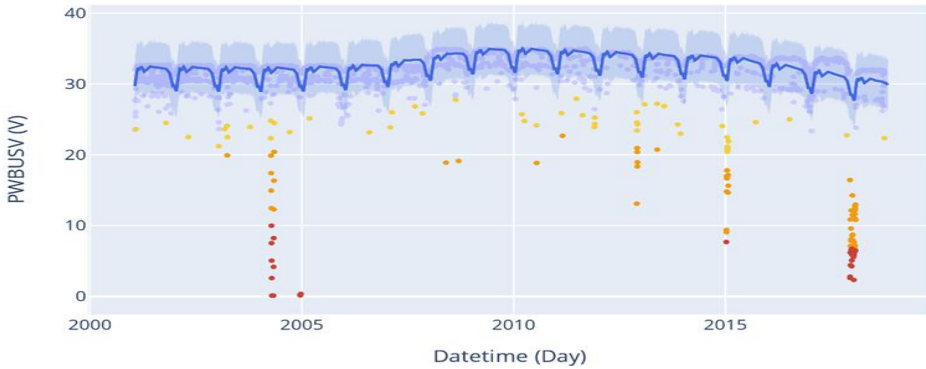
Bus Voltage

Figure 24. Observed Anomalies/Outliers Bus Voltage

D. Observation

- **Statistical Model**

      ARIMA generalizes well in most cases, so it is a powerful model for forecasting. But it takes a lot of computational time, and it needs hyper-parameter tuning that requires predefine the

parameters, so it needs supervision and requires high hardware for huge datasets**.**

- *Deep Learning Models:*

    LSTM and Autoencoder tend to be overfitting and **sensitive** to outliers.

- *Prophet Model:*

    Prophet typically manages outliers well and is robust to missing data and changes in the trend, which is not just can perfectly predict the data pattern, but it is very fast compared to ARIMA and less sensitive to outliers.

CONCLUSION

    Time series analysis is one of the many big computational processes created specifically for longitudinal data analysis over the last thirty years. we can only obtain the operational status and health status of an in-orbit satellite through satellite telemetry data. The pattern mining and extraction of satellite telemetry data are of high significance for automatic judgment and anomaly **detection**. This paper is devoted to time-series strategies for analyzing satellite telemetry data and detecting outliers. This paper discusses various time-series modeling approaches (ARIMA, Facebook Prophet, Long Short-Term Memory, Auto Encoder). We introduced some statistical approaches and supervised and unsupervised machine learning methods (classification, clustering), to summarize telemetry data and give the most significant information in it for monitoring the health state of various subsystems. Experiments conducted on the time series telemetry of the data set have proven the superiority and effectiveness of the machine learning algorithm for data mining in predicting the expected values.

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