

**Forecasting Methods**  
Winter term 2024/25  
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**Lecture:**

Tuesday 16.15-17.45 o'clock in room A5 0-055

**Exercise:**

Thursday 12.15-13.45 o'clock in room A5 1-161

Starts: 15th October 2024, ends: 30th January 2025

**Content of the module**

Students of this course shall be able to choose, apply, and evaluate *quantitative forecasting methods*. The course is data-oriented: students will be able to solve economic problems from the area of time series as well as from classification analysis.

The module consists of two parts: the lecture imparts knowledge about the basic theoretical principles of forecasting methods. The exercise includes case studies using actual economic data sets with appropriate software packages.

## Structure

The following parts are the content of the course *Forecasting Methods*:

- Time series components,
- Trend and seasonal adjustment procedures,
- Stationarity,
- Uni- and multivariate forecasting methods,
- Classification methods for prediction,
- Model evaluation.

## Literature

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