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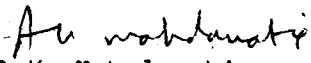
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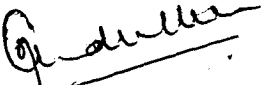
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## PREFACE

The thesis is based on the results of investigations carried out by the author in the Department of Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, during the period September 1977 to November 1980. It has been noted that eventhough load forecasting algorithms have been widely developed and applied in the western countries, relatively little work has been done in India. It has also been noted that most of the load forecasting algorithms reported in the published literature have been based on ad-hoc modelling techniques. I have, therefore, been interested in developing a set of optimum load forecasting algorithms based on minimal order model identification techniques and testing these with the real data from Indian utilities. I have also considered it desirable to concentrate on a few forecasting situations which should logically be treated through the multivariate stochastic modelling techniques.

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