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### Highlights

- We evaluate multiple leading indicators models to improve tactical sales forecasts.
- The proposed statistical approach automatically selects indicator type & lead order.
- We compare conditional and unconditional forecasting setup with leading indicators.
- We compare fully statistic variable selection to judgement aided selection.
- For our case company the proposed approach improved accuracy by 18.8%.

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