Time Series Analysis of Air Quality in Bishkek using AR model

Prepare Data

Import

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import seaborn as sns
    import plotly.express as px
    from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error
    from statsmodels.graphics.tsaplots import plot_acf, plot_pacf
    from statsmodels.tsa.seasonal import seasonal_decompose
    from pandas.plotting import lag_plot, autocorrelation_plot
    from statsmodels.tsa.ar_model import AutoReg
    import time
    from statsmodels.tsa.arima.model import ARIMA
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In [2]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2019_YTD.csv"

# Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
df19 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
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In [3]: df19

Out[3]:

	Site	Parameter	Date (LT)	Year	Month	Day	Hour	NowCast Conc.	AQI	AQI Category	Raw Conc.	Conc. Unit	Duration	QC Name
0	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-02-06 06:00 AM	2019	2	6	6	-999.0	-999	NaN	12.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
1	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-02-06 07:00 AM	2019	2	6	7	17.0	61	Moderate	20.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
2	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-02-06 08:00 AM	2019	2	6	8	19.1	66	Moderate	21.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
3	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-02-06 09:00 AM	2019	2	6	9	22.4	73	Moderate	25.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
4	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-02-06 10:00 AM	2019	2	6	10	30.9	91	Moderate	39.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
7746	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-12-31 08:00 PM	2019	12	31	20	86.7	167	Unhealthy	57.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
7747	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-12-31 09:00 PM	2019	12	31	21	65.8	156	Unhealthy	45.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
7748	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-12-31 10:00 PM	2019	12	31	22	60.4	154	Unhealthy	55.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
7749	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2019-12-31 11:00 PM	2019	12	31	23	55.2	150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	50.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid
7750	Bishkek	PM2.5 - Principal	2020-01-01 12:00 AM	2020	1	1	0	62.6	155	Unhealthy	70.0	UG/M3	1 Hr	Valid

7751 rows × 14 columns

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In [4]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2020_YTD.csv"
# Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
df20 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
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In [5]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2021_YTD.csv"
        # Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
        df21 = pd.read csv(file path)
In [6]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2022_YTD.csv"
        # Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
        df22 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
In [7]: | file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2023_YTD.csv"
        # Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
        df23 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
In [8]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2024_YTD.csv"
        # Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
        df24_1 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
In [9]: file_path = r"Bishkek_PM2.5_2024_02_MTD.csv"
        # Load the CSV file into a DataFrame
        df24_2 = pd.read_csv(file_path)
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In [10]: df_merged = pd.concat([df19,df20,df21,df22, df23, df24_1, df24_2], ignore_index=True)
    df_merged.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 42855 entries, 0 to 42854
Data columns (total 14 columns):

Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype			
Site	42855 non-null	object			
Parameter	42855 non-null	object			
Date (LT)	42855 non-null	object			
Year	42855 non-null	int64			
Month	42855 non-null	int64			
Day	42855 non-null	int64			
Hour	42855 non-null	int64			
NowCast Conc.	42855 non-null	float64			
AQI	42855 non-null	int64			
AQI Category	42634 non-null	object			
Raw Conc.	42855 non-null	float64			
Conc. Unit	42855 non-null	object			
Duration	42855 non-null	object			
QC Name	42855 non-null	object			
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memory usage: 4.6+ MB					
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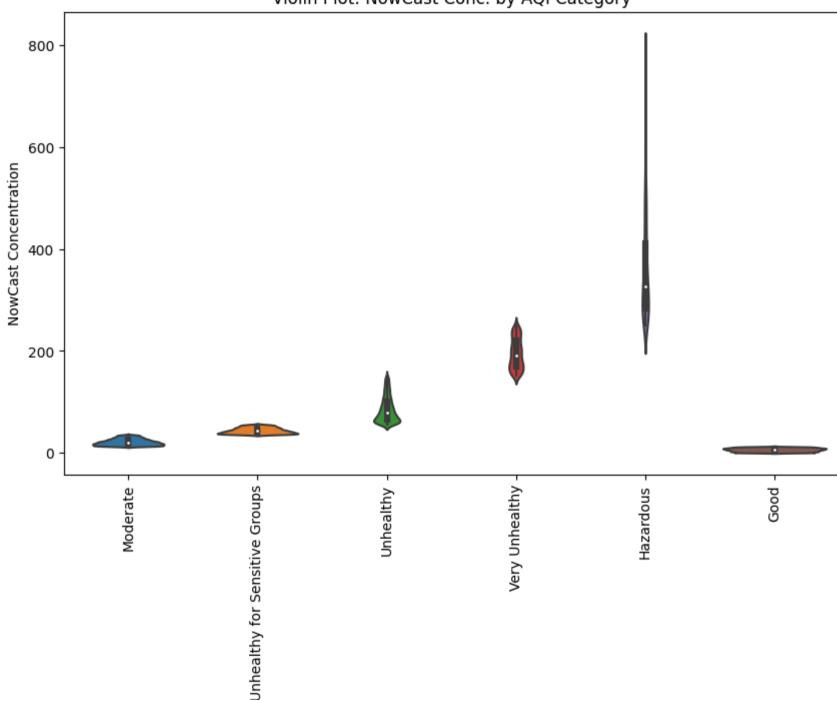
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In [11]: plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6)) # Adjust the figure size if needed

sns.violinplot(x='AQI Category', y='NowCast Conc.', data=df_merged)
plt.xlabel('AQI Category')
plt.ylabel('NowCast Concentration')
plt.title('Violin Plot: NowCast Conc. by AQI Category')

# Rotate x-axis labels vertically
plt.xticks(rotation=90)

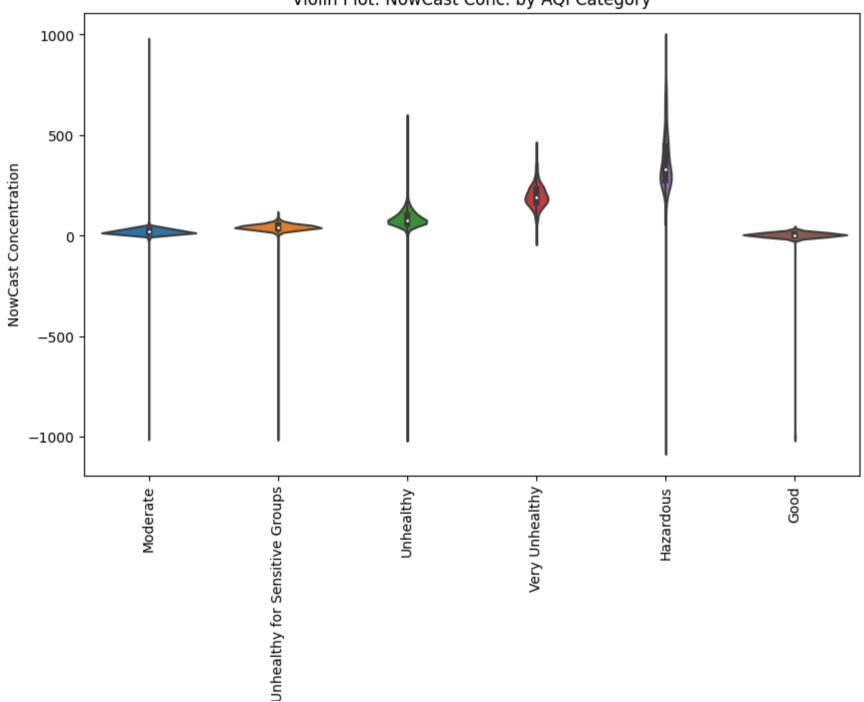
plt.show()
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Violin Plot: NowCast Conc. by AQI Category



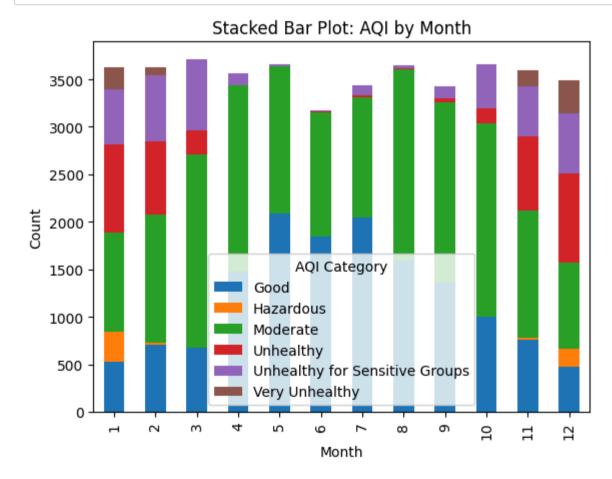
AQI Category

Violin Plot: NowCast Conc. by AQI Category



AQI Category

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In [13]: # Stacked bar plot of AQI by month
monthly_aqi_counts = df_merged.groupby(['Month', 'AQI Category']).size().unstack()
monthly_aqi_counts.plot(kind='bar', stacked=True)
plt.xlabel('Month')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Stacked Bar Plot: AQI by Month')
plt.show()
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In [14]: selected columns = ['Date (LT)', 'Raw Conc.']
         y = df merged[selected columns].copy() # Make a copy to avoid SettingWithCopyWarning
         # Renaming the columns as per your requirement
         v.rename(columns={'Date (LT)': 'timestamp', 'Raw Conc.': 'pm25 levels'}, inplace=True)
         v['timestamp'] = pd.to datetime(v['timestamp'])
         v.set index("timestamp", inplace=True)
         # Remove outliers
         y = y[y["pm25 levels"] > 0]
         y = y[y["pm25_levels"] < 500]
         # Resample to 1hr window and calculate the mean, filling missing values
         y = y["pm25_levels"].resample("1H").mean().fillna(method='ffill')
         print(y)
         timestamp
         2019-02-06 06:00:00
                                12.0
         2019-02-06 07:00:00
                                20.0
         2019-02-06 08:00:00
                                21.0
         2019-02-06 09:00:00
                                25.0
         2019-02-06 10:00:00
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                                 1.3
         2024-02-19 21:00:00
                                63.0
         2024-02-19 22:00:00
                                63.0
         2024-02-19 23:00:00
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         2024-02-20 00:00:00
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Explore

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In [16]: # Check the minimum and maximum timestamps in the data
min_timestamp = y.index.min()
max_timestamp = y.index.max()

print("Minimum Timestamp:", min_timestamp)
print("Maximum Timestamp:", max_timestamp)

Minimum Timestamp: 2019-02-06 06:00:00
Maximum Timestamp: 2024-02-20 00:00:00

In [17]: # Find the timestamp with the highest PM2.5 value
timestamp_highest_pm25 = y.idxmax()

# Find the highest PM2.5 value
highest_pm25_value = y.max()

print("Timestamp with the Highest PM2.5:", timestamp_highest_pm25)
print("Highest PM2.5 Value:", highest_pm25_value)
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Timestamp with the Highest PM2.5: 2021-01-03 22:00:00 Highest PM2.5 Value: 494.0

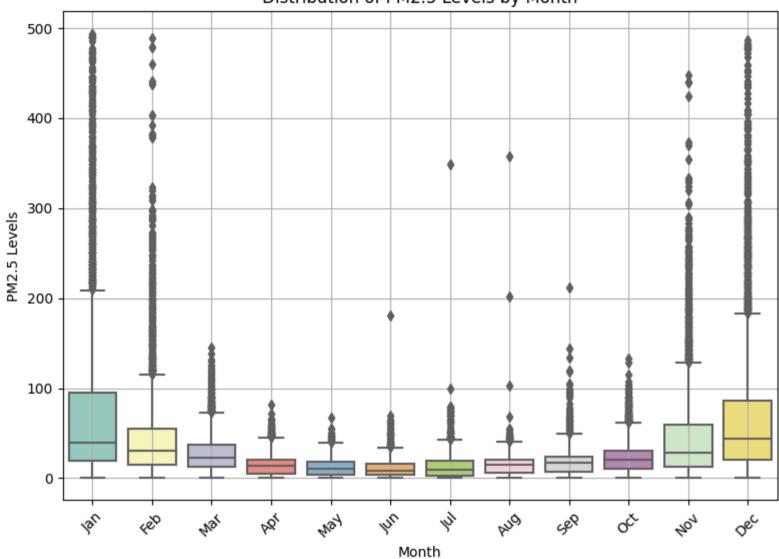
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In [18]: # Convert the index to DatetimeIndex if it's not already
y.index = pd.to_datetime(y.index)

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))

# Plot a boxplot of PM2.5 levels by month
sns.boxplot(x=y.index.month, y=y, palette="Set3")

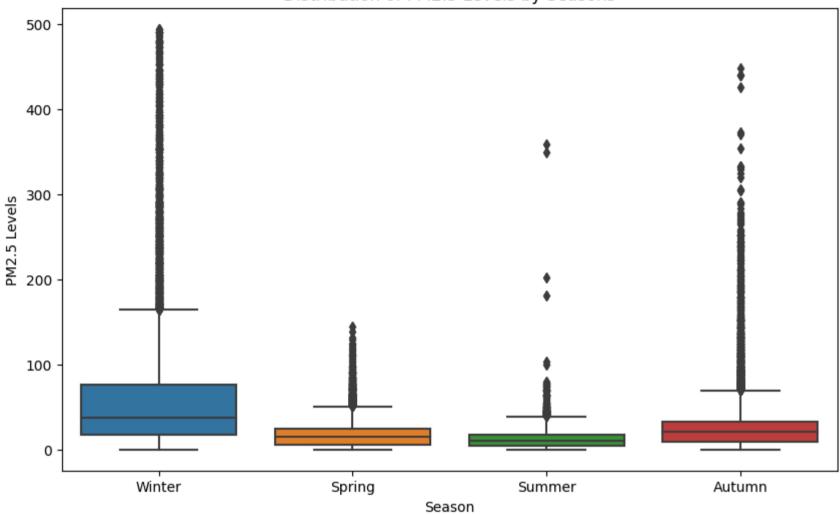
# Set the x-axis labels to be the names of the months
month_names = ["Jan", "Feb", "Mar", "Apr", "May", "Jun", "Jul", "Aug", "Sep", "Oct", "Nov", "Dec"]
plt.xlabel("Month")
plt.xticks(range(12), month_names) # Use month_names as labels
plt.ylabel("PM2.5 Levels")
plt.title("Distribution of PM2.5 Levels by Month")
plt.grid(True)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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Distribution of PM2.5 Levels by Month

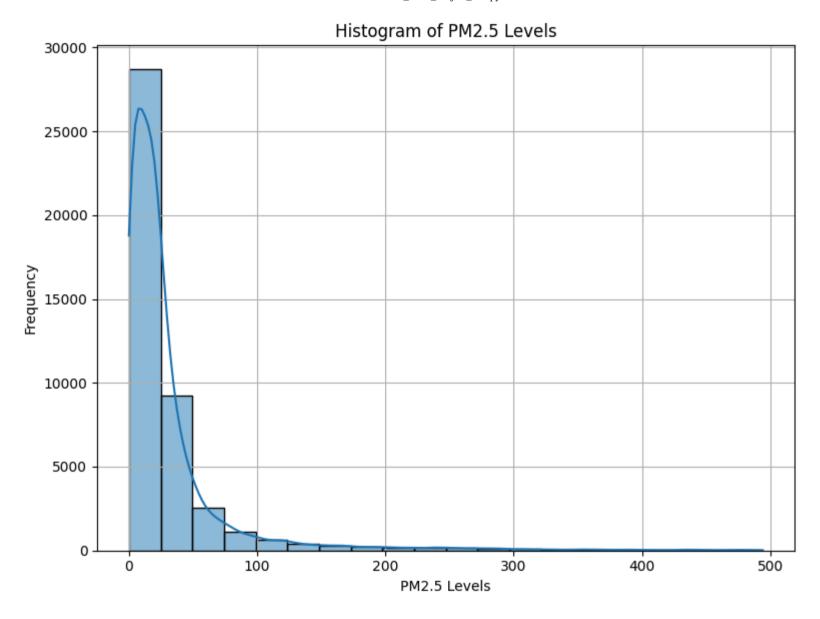


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In [19]: # Convert the Series 'v' to a DataFrame
         df = pd.DataFrame({'pm25_levels': y})
         # Drop the last entry with the value "cluster"
         df = df[df.index != 'cluster']
         # Convert the index to a DatetimeIndex
         df = df[df.index != 'season'] # Drop any rows with index labeled "season"
         df.index = pd.to datetime(df.index)
         # Create a new column for seasons based on months
         df['season'] = df.index.month.map({1: 'Winter', 2: 'Winter', 3: 'Spring', 4: 'Spring', 5: 'Spring',
                                            6: 'Summer', 7: 'Summer', 8: 'Summer', 9: 'Autumn', 10: 'Autumn',
                                            11: 'Autumn', 12: 'Winter'})
         # Create a box plot to visualize the distribution of PM2.5 levels by seasons
         plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
         sns.boxplot(x='season', y='pm25 levels', data=df)
         plt.xlabel("Season")
         plt.ylabel("PM2.5 Levels")
         plt.title("Distribution of PM2.5 Levels by Seasons")
         plt.show()
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Distribution of PM2.5 Levels by Seasons

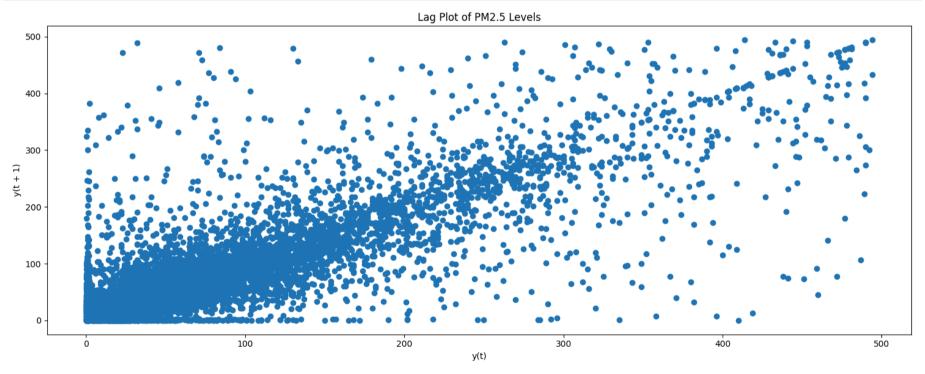


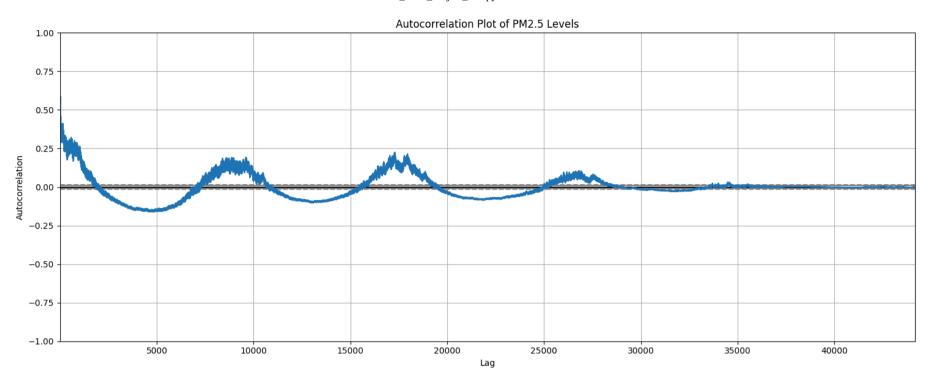
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In [20]: plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
    sns.histplot(y, bins=20, kde=True)
    plt.xlabel("PM2.5 Levels")
    plt.ylabel("Frequency")
    plt.title("Histogram of PM2.5 Levels")
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()
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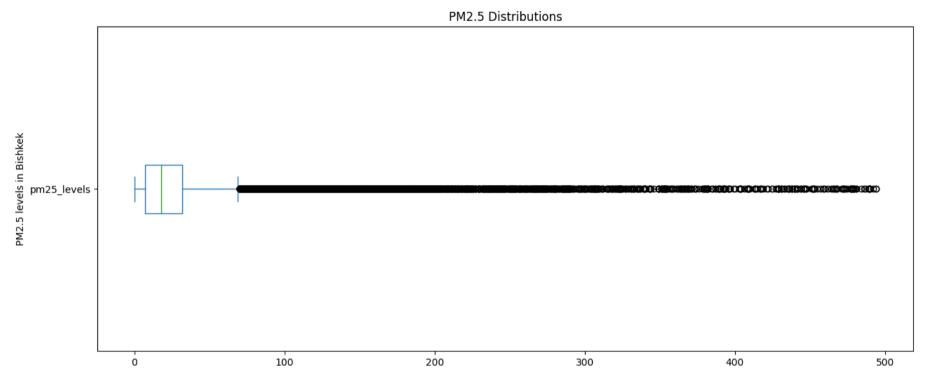
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In [21]: plt.figure(figsize=(15, 6))
lag_plot(y)
plt.title("Lag Plot of PM2.5 Levels")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

plt.figure(figsize=(15, 6))
autocorrelation_plot(y)
plt.xlabel("Lag")
plt.ylabel("Autocorrelation")
plt.title("Autocorrelation Plot of PM2.5 Levels")
plt.grid(True)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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In [22]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
y.plot(kind="box",vert=False,title="PM2.5 Distributions", ax=ax)
plt.ylabel("PM2.5 levels in Bishkek");
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PM2.5 Air Quality Guidelines

In our analysis, we have chosen to remove PM2.5 values that are greater than 500. These values are considered outliers based on the air quality standards for particle pollution published by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

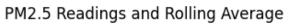
Precautionary Actions	PM2.5 Health Effects	Air Quality Index	PM2.5 Range
None.	Little to no risk.	Good	0 to 12.0
Unusually sensitive people should consider reducing prolonged or heavy exertion.	Unusually sensitive individuals may experience respiratory symptoms.	Moderate	12.1 to 35.4

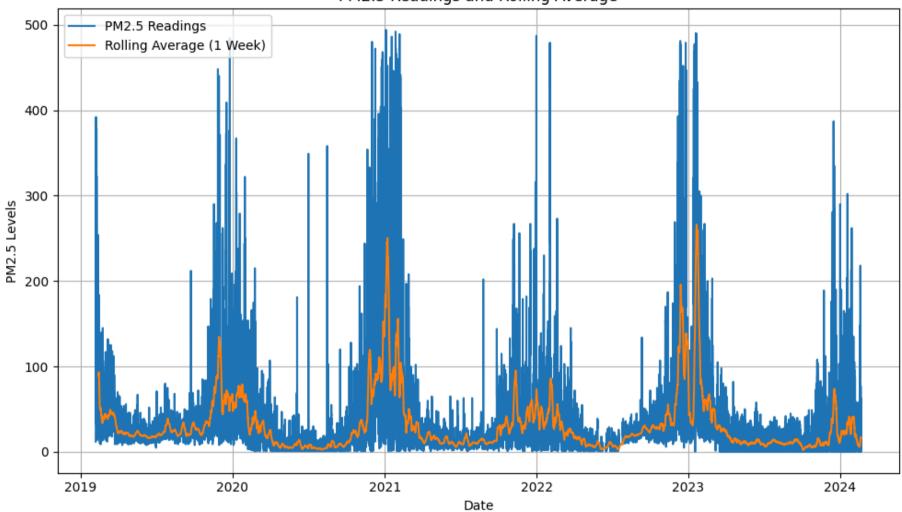
PM2.5 Range	Air Quality Index	PM2.5 Health Effects	Precautionary Actions
35.5 to 55.4	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	Increasing likelihood of respiratory symptoms in sensitive individuals, aggravation of heart or lung disease and premature mortality in persons with cardiopulmonary disease and the elderly.	People with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly and children should limit prolonged exertion.
55.5 to 150.4	Unhealthy	Increased aggravation of heart or lung disease and premature mortality in persons with cardiopulmonary disease and the elderly; increased respiratory effects in general population.	People with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly and children should avoid prolonged exertion; everyone else should limit prolonged exertion.
150.5 to	Very Unhealthy	Significant aggravation of heart or lung disease and premature mortality in persons with cardiopulmonary disease and the elderly; significant increase	People with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly and children should avoid any outdoor activity; everyone else

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In [23]: # Plot rolling average
    y.index = pd.to_datetime(y.index)

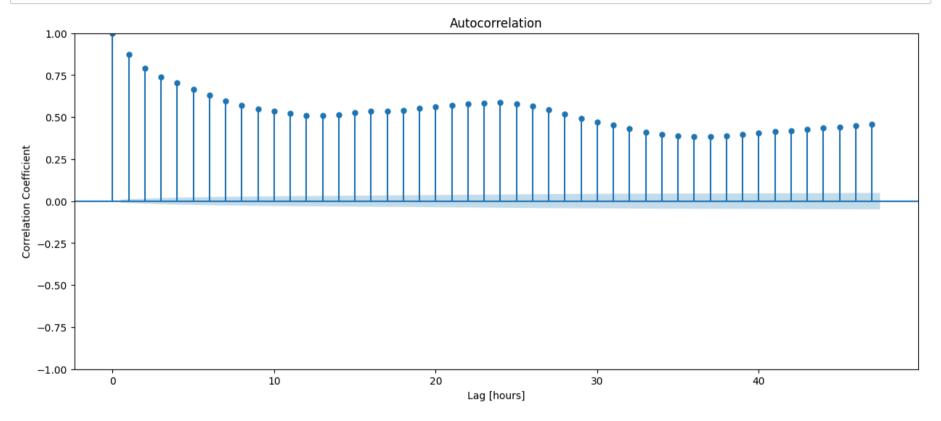
# Calculate the rolling average with a window of 168 (1 week)
    rolling_avg = y.rolling(window=168).mean()

# Plot the original data and the rolling average
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
    plt.plot(y.index, y, label='PM2.5 Readings')
    plt.plot(rolling_avg.index, rolling_avg, label='Rolling Average (1 Week)')
    plt.xlabel('Date')
    plt.ylabel('PM2.5 Levels')
    plt.title('PM2.5 Readings and Rolling Average')
    plt.tegend()
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.tight_layout()
    plt.show()
```



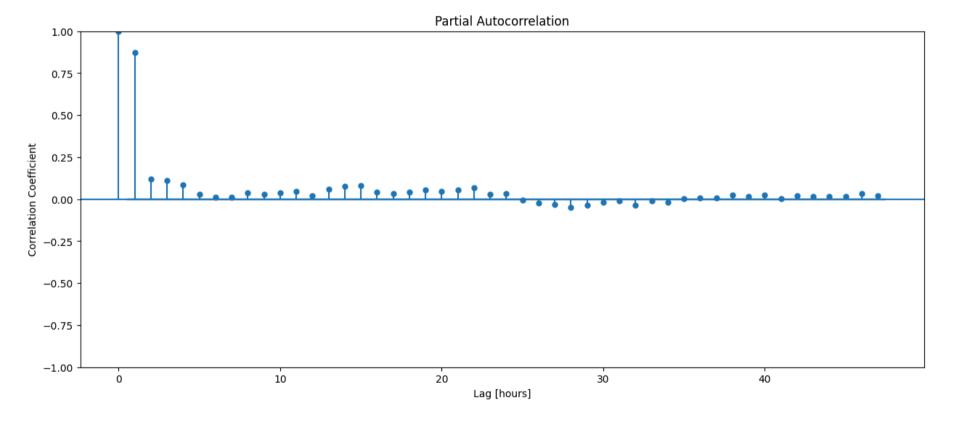


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In [24]: # Plot ACF plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
plot_acf(y, ax=ax)
plt.xlabel("Lag [hours]")
plt.ylabel("Correlation Coefficient");
```



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In [25]: # Plot PACF plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
plot_pacf(y, ax=ax)
plt.xlabel("Lag [hours]")
plt.ylabel("Correlation Coefficient");
```

/Users/mac/anaconda3/lib/python3.11/site-packages/statsmodels/graphics/tsaplots.py:348: FutureWarning: The default method 'yw' can produce PACF values outside of the [-1,1] interval. After 0.13, the default will ch ange tounadjusted Yule-Walker ('ywm'). You can use this method now by setting method='ywm'. warnings.warn(



Split

```
In [26]: cutoff_test = int(len(y)*0.95)

y_train = y.iloc[:cutoff_test]
y_test = y.iloc[cutoff_test:]
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Build Model

Baseline

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In [27]: y_train_mean = y_train.mean()
y_pred_baseline = [y_train_mean] * len(y_train)
mae_baseline = mean_absolute_error(y_train, y_pred_baseline)

print("Mean P2 Reading:", round(y_train_mean, 2))
print("Baseline MAE:", round(mae_baseline, 2))
```

Mean P2 Reading: 31.47 Baseline MAE: 27.02

1. Autoregressive Models

Iterate

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In [28]: model = AutoReg(y_train, lags=26).fit()
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In [29]: """ Generate a list of training predictions for our model and
    use them to calculate your training mean absolute error."""
    y_pred = model.predict().dropna()
    training_mae = mean_absolute_error(y_train.iloc[26:],y_pred)
    print("Training MAE:", training_mae)
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Training MAE: 9.54892503264793

```
In [30]: # Use y_train and y_pred to calculate the residuals for our model
y_train_resid = model.resid
y_train_resid.tail()
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Out[30]: timestamp

 2023-11-19
 20:00:00
 8.680898

 2023-11-19
 21:00:00
 -60.395199

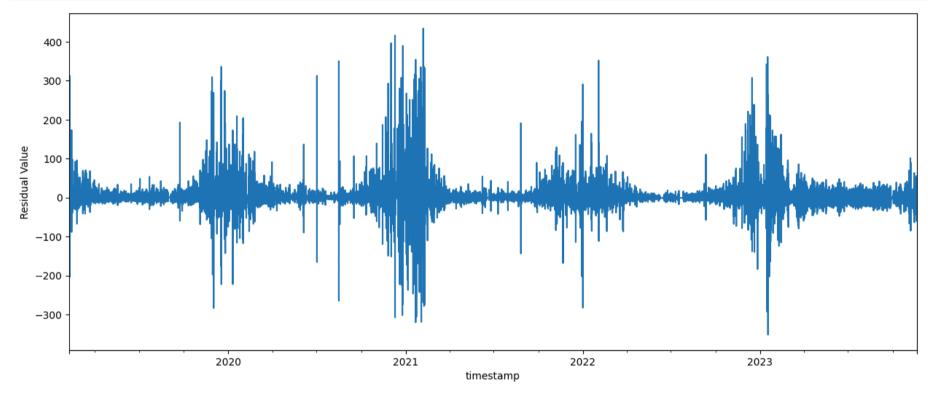
 2023-11-19
 22:00:00
 -8.688272

 2023-11-19
 23:00:00
 -10.375147

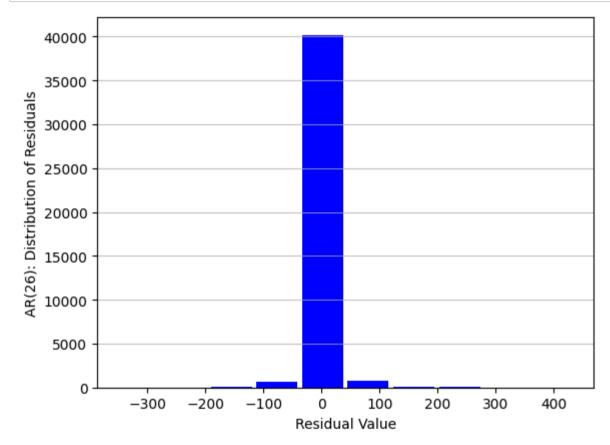
 2023-11-20
 00:00:00
 -5.674573

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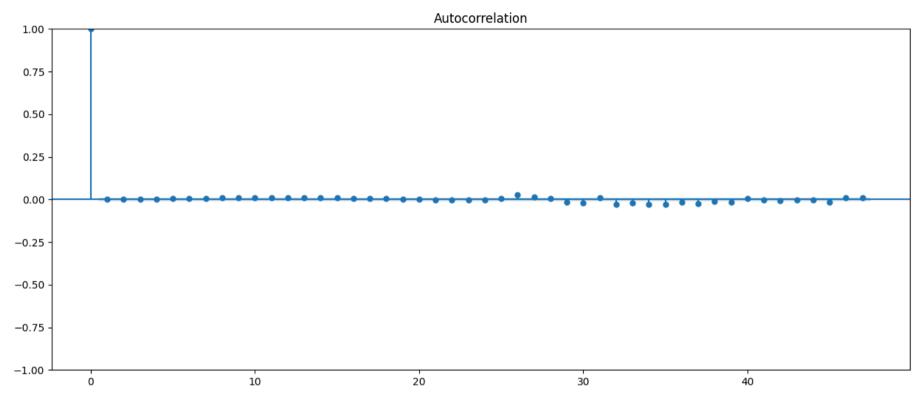
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In [31]: # Create a plot of y_train_resid
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
y_train_resid.plot(ylabel="Residual Value",ax=ax);
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In [32]: # Create a histogram of y_train_resid
plt.hist(y_train_resid, bins=10, rwidth=0.9, color="b")
plt.grid(axis="y", alpha=0.75)
plt.xlabel("Residual Value")
plt.ylabel("AR(26): Distribution of Residuals");
```



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In [33]: # Create an ACF plot of y_train_resid
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
plot_acf(y_train_resid,ax=ax);
```



Evaluate

```
In [34]: # Calculate the test mean absolute error for our model
y_pred_test = model.predict(y_test.index.min(),y_test.index.max())
test_mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test,y_pred_test)
print("Test MAE:", test_mae)
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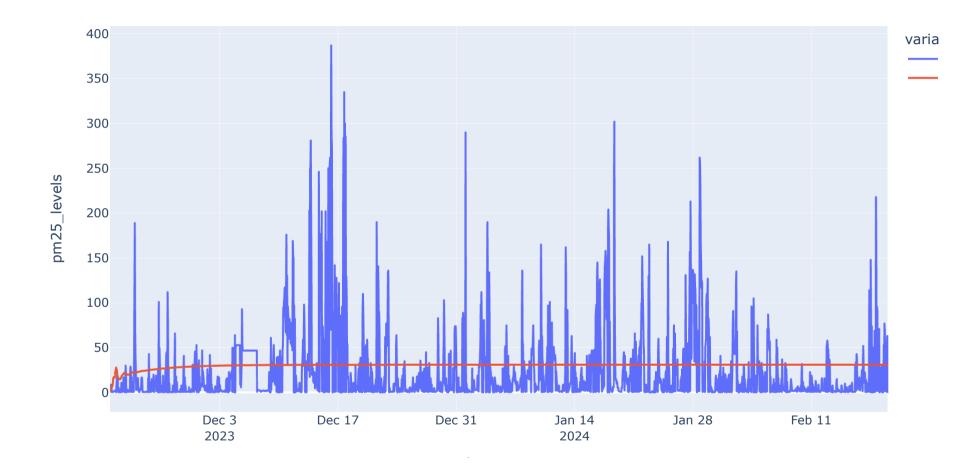
Test MAE: 30.036355449686436

Out[35]:

	y_test	y_pred
timestamp		
2023-11-20 01:00:00	1.1	3.733822
2023-11-20 02:00:00	8.0	3.415478
2023-11-20 03:00:00	9.0	2.225657
2023-11-20 04:00:00	1.3	4.345840
2023-11-20 05:00:00	5.0	4.709062
2024-02-19 20:00:00	1.3	31.123218
2024-02-19 21:00:00	63.0	31.123218
2024-02-19 22:00:00	63.0	31.123218
2024-02-19 23:00:00	0.8	31.123218
2024-02-20 00:00:00	0.3	31.123218

2208 rows × 2 columns

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In [36]: # Create a time series plot for the values in df_pred_test using plotly express
fig = px.line(df_pred_test, labels={"value": "pm25_levels"})
fig.show()
```



From Test MAE and visualization we can see that our model is generalizing not well. Traditional test evaluation does not work when we are working with time series model. So we should do walk-forward validation.

```
In [37]: %%capture
y_pred_wfv = pd.Series()
history = y_train.copy()
for i in range(len(y_test)):
    model = AutoReg(history, lags=26).fit()
    next_pred = model.forecast()
    y_pred_wfv = y_pred_wfv.append(next_pred)
    history = history.append(y_test[next_pred.index])
```

Walk-Forward Validation

Our predictions lose power over time because the model gets farther and farther away from its beginning. But what if we could move that beginning forward with the model? That's what **walk-forward validation** is. In a walk-forward validation, we re-train the model at for each new observation in the dataset, dropping the data that's the farthest in the past. Let's say that our prediction for what's going to happen at 12:00 is based on what happened at 11:00, 10:00, and 9:00. When we move forward an hour to predict what's going to happen at 1:00, we only use data from 10:00, 11:00, and 12:00, dropping the data from 9:00 because it's now too far in the past.

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In [38]: # Calculate the test mean absolute error for our model
test_mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test,y_pred_wfv)
print("Test MAE (walk forward validation):", round(test_mae, 2))
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Test MAE (walk forward validation): 18.72

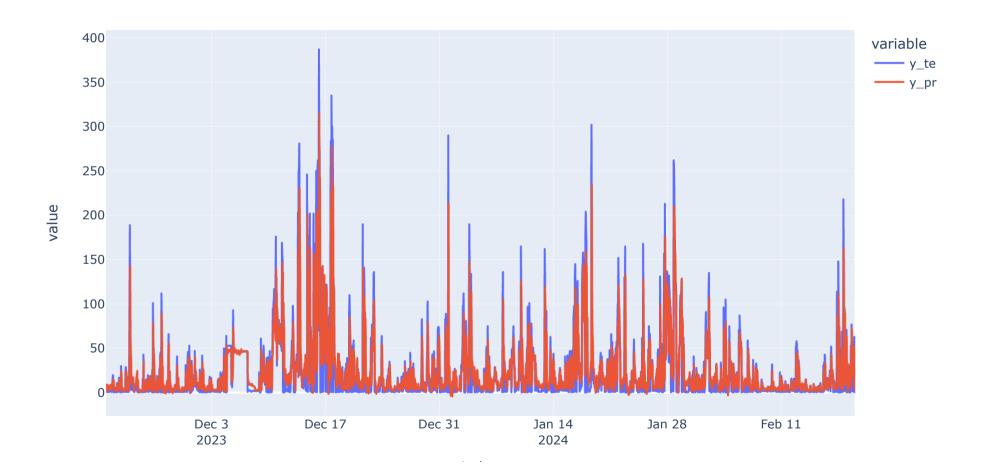
Communicate Results

In [39]: # Print out the parameters for our trained mode print(model.params)

const	1.196907
pm25_levels.L1	0.711301
pm25_levels.L2	0.023522
pm25_levels.L3	0.027956
pm25_levels.L4	0.061028
pm25_levels.L5	0.015947
pm25_levels.L6	-0.009669
pm25_levels.L7	-0.021297
pm25_levels.L8	0.010995
pm25_levels.L9	-0.005414
pm25_levels.L10	-0.004483
pm25_levels.L11	0.020740
pm25_levels.L12	-0.028626
pm25_levels.L13	-0.002501
pm25_levels.L14	0.012011
pm25_levels.L15	0.044037
pm25_levels.L16	0.011341
pm25_levels.L17	-0.005696
pm25_levels.L18	-0.001659
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In [40]: """Put the values for y_test and y_pred_wfv into the DataFrame df_pred_test.
Then plot df_pred_test using plotly express."""

data = {"y_test": y_test, "y_pred_wvf":y_pred_wfv}
df_pred_test = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(data)
df_pred_test.head()
fig = px.line(df_pred_test)
fig.show()
```



Summary of Air Quality Time Series Analysis in Bishkek

Data Preparation and Exploration

- Multiple years of air quality data (2019-2024) from Bishkek were collected and cleaned.
- Exploratory data analysis (EDA) revealed insights into seasonal patterns, distribution, and autocorrelation of PM2.5 levels.

Model Building and Evaluation

Baseline Model

• A baseline model using the mean of training data yielded a Mean Absolute Error (MAE) of 27.02.

Autoregressive (AR) Model

- An Autoregressive model (AutoReg) with lag=26 was trained on the data.
- While the training MAE was low (9.55), the model exhibited higher error on the test set (MAE: 30.04), indicating potential overfitting.

Walk-Forward Validation (WFV)

- · Walk-forward validation was employed to iteratively retrain the model on expanding data windows.
- WFV resulted in a lower test MAE of 18.72, suggesting improved generalization.

Communication of Results

- · Model parameters and test results were effectively communicated.
- Visualizations using Plotly Express enhanced the interpretability of predictions against actual values.

Recommendations

• Continuous refinement and validation of models, particularly through methods like walk-forward validation, are essential for reliable forecasting of air quality trends in Bishkek.

In []: