

Data Crunch Final Round Presentation

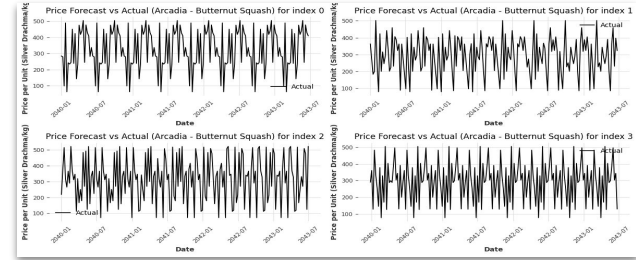
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Problem Understanding & Data Analysis



- **Nature of the Data**

- 25 Regions
- 37 Commodities
- $25 \times 37 = 925$ Combinations \longrightarrow 925 Time series
- Each time series have different patterns
- **Requires 925 individual models that are capable of retraining**



- **Pattern of the time series**

- Duplicates data entries
- Inconsistent frequency
- Some weeks have more than one data point
- Most data has a frequency of 6 or 7 days
- **Requires consistency in time intervals**

DateDiff	
7.0	88848
6.0	86980
8.0	2436
5.0	2366
1.0	47

- **Impact of other features on Price**

- Humidity, temperature, rainfall, and region contribute to a crop yield impact score
- The crop yield impact score affects the price
- **Requires incorporating weather impact into price prediction**

Model Selection & Feature Engineering



Model Selection

- **Chosen Model:** Darts N-BEATS Model.
- **Reasoning:** Have the strength in capturing long-term patterns in complex time series without requiring external covariates
- **Model Training:** Trained the model on historical data to predict the price for the next 4 weeks using a rolling window.

Feature Engineering

- Used weather data (temp, rainfall, humidity, region) to predict crop yield impact score.
- Merged with price data, cleaned, and resampled to weekly frequency.
- Used past 24 weeks of prices as input.
- Crop yield impact score used as a covariate in price prediction.

Data Pipeline Strategy



- **Automated Data Ingestion:** Weekly weather and price data are automatically pulled via APIs, ensuring continuous updates and storage in the datasets.

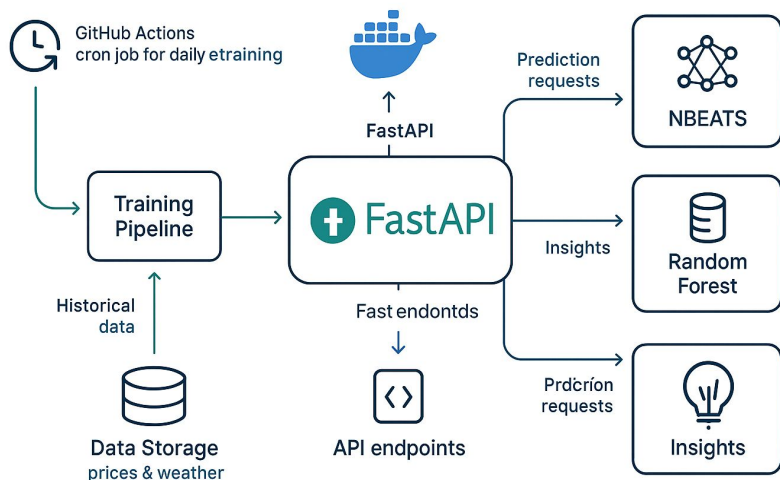


- **Periodic Re-Training:** The data pipeline adapts to new data by automatically retraining the models every week. GitHub Workflows are used to manage this process.

System Design



AgroChill: Time Series Forecasting System



- **Architecture**

- FastAPI Backend: Core API service providing predictions and insights, Scalable
- Time Series Forecasting: N-BEATS model for price predictions up to 4 weeks ahead
- Random Forest Model: Weather impact model to assess crop yield impact
- Continuous Learning: Daily model retraining via GitHub Actions cron job

- **Data Flow**

- Historical price and weather data → Training pipeline
- New data ingestion via API endpoints
- Prediction requests → Model inference → Strategic insights.
- Automated retraining

- **Deployment:** Docker, GitHub Actions

Business Insights & Recommendations



- **Key Insights:**
 - Our system analyzes the trade-off between immediate sales and strategic freezing
 - Calculates compound depreciation rates for frozen produce (10% weekly)
 - Identifies optimal selling windows across 4-week forecasts
- **Strategic Recommendations:**
 - Freeze crops when future fresh prices exceed depreciated frozen values
 - Sell immediately when depreciation outpaces market growth
 - Target high-volatility markets for maximum freezing benefits
- **Business Impact:**
 - Increases profit margins through strategic timing
 - Reduces waste by extending produce shelf life
 - Optimizes cold storage utilization based on data-driven decisions
 - Provides competitive advantage through predictive market intelligence

insights

POST /api/insights Get Insights

Provides strategic insights for the Freezer Gambit strategy based on price predictions.

This endpoint analyzes price predictions for a specific crop and region, calculates depreciation rates for frozen produce, and provides recommendations on when to sell (fresh vs. frozen) to maximize profits.

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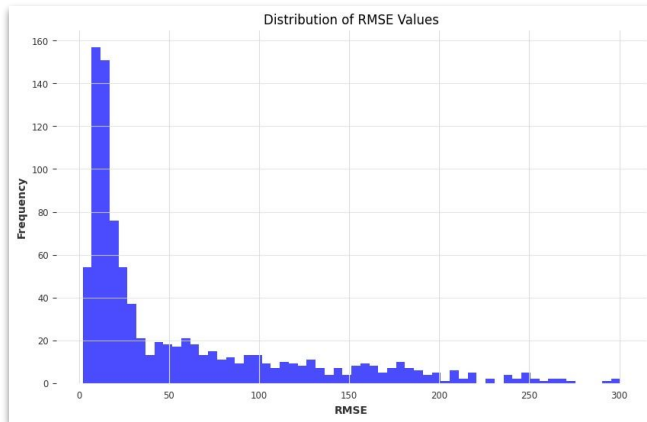
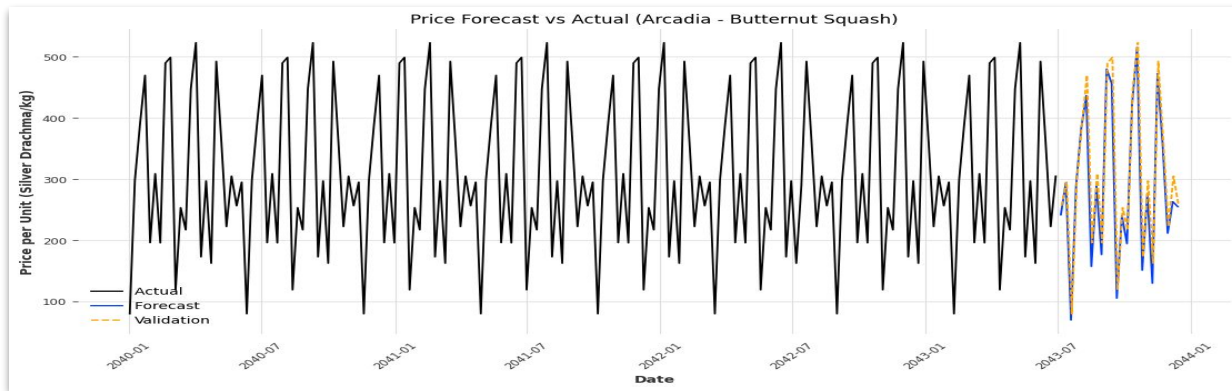
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Model Performance



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std	62.949578
min	2.086860
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50%	24.271516
75%	80.824895
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Thank You!