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import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

import glob
import os

def load_weather_data(folder_path) -> pd.DataFrame:
    print("Loading weather data...")

    csv_files = glob.glob(os.path.join(folder_path, "*.csv"))

    if not csv_files:
        print(f"No CSV files found in {folder_path}. Returning an empty DataFrame.")
        return pd.DataFrame()

    df_list = []
    for file in csv_files:
        print(f"Loading file {file}")
        df_list.append(pd.read_csv(file, index_col="datetime"))

    weather = pd.concat(df_list, axis=0)
    weather.index = pd.to_datetime(weather.index)
    return weather

```

```
weather = load_weather_data("weather_data/")
```

```
# Convert index into a pandas datetime
```

```
weather.index = pd.to_datetime(weather.index)
weather.head()
```

```
Loading weather data...
```

```
Loading file weather_data/kericho, kenya 2024_01_01 to 2024_12_31.csv
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Loading file weather_data/kericho, kenya 2022_01_01 to 2022_12_31.csv
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Loading file weather_data/nakuru, kenya 2020_01_01 to 2021_12_31.csv
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Loading file weather_data/kericho, kenya 2021_01_01 to 2021_12_31.csv
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Loading file weather_data/kericho, kenya 2020_01_01 to 2020_12_31.csv
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Loading file weather_data/kericho, kenya 2023_01_01 to 2023_12_31.csv
```

	name	tempmax	tempmin	temp	feelslikemax	\
datetime						
2024-01-01	Kericho, Kenya	25.0	14.7	19.9	25.0	
2024-01-02	Kericho, Kenya	27.0	15.3	20.8	28.8	
2024-01-03	Kericho, Kenya	27.1	13.8	21.2	28.6	
2024-01-04	Kericho, Kenya	25.4	12.3	19.8	25.4	
2024-01-05	Kericho, Kenya	26.0	13.2	19.5	26.0	
	feelslikemin	feelslike	dew	humidity	precip	...
solarenergy	\					

datetime	...					
2024-01-01	14.7	19.9	17.2	84.6	11.2	...
14.3						
2024-01-02	15.3	20.9	17.3	81.4	9.9	...
19.9						
2024-01-03	13.8	21.2	17.9	82.3	6.8	...
20.1						
2024-01-04	12.3	19.8	16.0	80.7	1.5	...
23.1						
2024-01-05	13.2	19.5	16.5	84.2	3.4	...
20.7						

	uvindex	severerisk	sunrise	
sunset \ datetime				
2024-01-01	7	30.0	2024-01-01T06:37:56	2024-01-01T18:46:26
2024-01-02	8	30.0	2024-01-02T06:38:25	2024-01-02T18:46:54
2024-01-03	9	30.0	2024-01-03T06:38:53	2024-01-03T18:47:22
2024-01-04	9	10.0	2024-01-04T06:39:21	2024-01-04T18:47:49
2024-01-05	9	10.0	2024-01-05T06:39:48	2024-01-05T18:48:16

	moonphase	conditions \
datetime		
2024-01-01	0.67	Rain, Partially cloudy
2024-01-02	0.71	Rain, Partially cloudy
2024-01-03	0.74	Rain, Partially cloudy
2024-01-04	0.75	Rain, Partially cloudy
2024-01-05	0.80	Rain, Partially cloudy

	description	icon \
datetime		
2024-01-01	Partly cloudy throughout the day with rain.	rain
2024-01-02	Partly cloudy throughout the day with rain.	rain
2024-01-03	Partly cloudy throughout the day with a chance...	rain
2024-01-04	Partly cloudy throughout the day with rain.	rain
2024-01-05	Partly cloudy throughout the day with rain.	rain

	stations
datetime	
2024-01-01	HKKI,63708099999,63709099999,63710099999,remote
2024-01-02	HKKI,63708099999,63709099999,63710099999,remote
2024-01-03	HKKI,63708099999,63709099999,63710099999,remote
2024-01-04	HKKI,63708099999,63709099999,63710099999,remote

2024-01-05 HKKI,63708099999,63709099999,63710099999,remote

[5 rows x 32 columns]

```
print(weather["name"].unique())
print()
weather.info()
```

['Kericho, Kenya' 'Nakuru, Kenya']

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 2558 entries, 2024-01-01 to 2023-12-31
Data columns (total 32 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   name                  2558 non-null   object
1   tempmax               2558 non-null   float64
2   tempmin              2558 non-null   float64
3   temp                 2558 non-null   float64
4   feelslikemax         2558 non-null   float64
5   feelslikemin         2558 non-null   float64
6   feelslike            2558 non-null   float64
7   dew                  2558 non-null   float64
8   humidity             2558 non-null   float64
9   precip               2558 non-null   float64
10  precipprob           2558 non-null   int64
11  precipcover          2558 non-null   float64
12  preciptype           2096 non-null   object
13  snow                 2558 non-null   int64
14  snowdepth            2558 non-null   int64
15  windgust              2558 non-null   float64
16  windspeed             2558 non-null   float64
17  winddir              2558 non-null   float64
18  sealevelpressure     2558 non-null   float64
19  cloudcover            2558 non-null   float64
20  visibility            2537 non-null   float64
21  solarradiation        2558 non-null   float64
22  solarenergy           2558 non-null   float64
23  uvindex              2558 non-null   int64
24  severerisk            1087 non-null   float64
25  sunrise               2558 non-null   object
26  sunset               2558 non-null   object
27  moonphase             2558 non-null   float64
28  conditions            2558 non-null   object
29  description           2558 non-null   object
30  icon                 2558 non-null   object
31  stations              2558 non-null   object
dtypes: float64(20), int64(4), object(8)
memory usage: 659.5+ KB
```

Data Cleaning and Formatting

In this section we are going to make the columns atomic; that is remove any comma separated, extra spaced data within our dataframe.

```
def clean_string_column(df, column_name):
    """
    Reformats a string column in a Pandas DataFrame:
    - Removes all whitespace.
    - Removes all commas.
    - Converts to lowercase.
    - Replaces remaining spaces (if any after initial cleanup) with
    underscores.

    Args:
        df (pd.DataFrame): The input DataFrame.
        column_name (str): The name of the column to clean.

    Returns:
        pd.DataFrame: The DataFrame with the cleaned column.
    """
    # Ensure the column is of string type to apply string methods
    df[column_name] = df[column_name].astype(str)

    df[column_name] = df[column_name].str.replace(r'\s+', '_',
    regex=True)
    df[column_name] = df[column_name].str.replace(',', '')
    df[column_name] = df[column_name].str.lower()
    df[column_name] = df[column_name].str.replace(' ', '_')

    return df

# Clean conditions column
# Clean the name column
weather = clean_string_column(weather.copy(), "conditions")
weather = clean_string_column(weather.copy(), "name")

print(weather["conditions"].unique())
print(weather["name"].unique())

['rain_partially_cloudy' 'rain_overcast' 'partially_cloudy' 'clear'
'rain'
'overcast']
['kericho_kenya' 'nakuru_kenya']
```

Group the data into seasons

Grouping data into seasons will allow us to get the seasonal averages required to check if a crop is suitable to grow in certain location.

```
def get_season(month):
    if month in [1, 2, 3]:
        return "JFM"      # January, February, March season
    elif month in [4, 5, 6]:
        return "AMJ"      # April, May, June season
    elif month in [7, 8, 9]:
        return "JAS"      # July, August, September season
    else:
        return "OND"      # October, November, December season
```

```
weather = weather.copy()
weather["year"] = weather.index.year
weather["month"] = weather.index.month
weather["season"] = weather["month"].apply(get_season)
weather["season"]
```

```
datetime
2024-01-01    JFM
2024-01-02    JFM
2024-01-03    JFM
2024-01-04    JFM
2024-01-05    JFM
...
2023-12-27    OND
2023-12-28    OND
2023-12-29    OND
2023-12-30    OND
2023-12-31    OND
Name: season, Length: 2558, dtype: object
```

```
# Grouping data into seasons will allow us to get
# seasonal averages eg;
seasonal_data = weather.groupby(["year", "season"])
seasonal_avg = seasonal_data.mean(numeric_only=True)
seasonal_avg
```

	tempmax	tempmin	temp	feelslikemax
feelslikemin \				
year season				
2020 AMJ	26.329121	13.618132	19.870879	26.745604
13.618132				
JAS	25.728804	12.726630	19.005435	25.893478
12.726630				
JFM	27.556044	13.421429	20.626374	27.913736
13.416484				
OND	26.595109	13.493478	20.022826	26.925543
13.493478				
2021 AMJ	26.789560	14.856593	20.409890	27.081319
14.856593				

JAS	26.069565	14.612500	19.848913	26.115761	
14.612500					
JFM	27.916111	14.389444	20.856667	27.653333	
14.377222					
OND	27.703261	14.214674	20.759239	27.736957	
14.214674					
2022 AMJ	28.030769	16.250549	22.171429	28.498901	
16.250549					
JAS	27.458696	16.291304	21.848913	27.535870	
16.291304					
JFM	29.608889	16.204444	22.990000	29.945556	
16.204444					
OND	28.448913	16.503261	22.389130	28.738043	
16.503261					
2023 AMJ	28.431868	12.857143	20.678022	29.051648	
12.857143					
JAS	28.926087	12.840217	20.758696	28.947826	
12.840217					
JFM	30.192222	16.831111	23.636667	30.038889	
16.831111					
OND	28.144565	13.030435	20.834783	28.926087	
13.030435					
2024 AMJ	28.319780	14.083516	21.273626	29.368132	
14.083516					
JAS	29.070652	13.140217	20.960870	29.023913	
13.140217					
JFM	28.972527	13.940659	21.791209	29.948352	
13.940659					
OND	29.209783	12.927174	21.158696	29.846739	
12.927174					
	feelslike	dew	humidity	precip	
precipprob	...	\			
year					
season					...
2020 AMJ	19.934066	15.144505	76.447802	8.265934	
86.263736	...				
JAS	19.028804	14.062500	75.062500	4.465217	
86.413043	...				
JFM	20.693956	14.695055	71.714286	4.730769	
80.769231	...				
OND	20.076087	14.245109	72.010326	4.314130	
72.282609	...				
2021 AMJ	20.468132	14.587363	71.915934	4.871978	
78.021978	...				
JAS	19.869022	13.732065	70.046739	4.461957	
83.695652	...				
JFM	20.832222	12.350556	62.283333	2.140000	
51.666667	...				

OND	20.771739	13.404891	65.711957	2.663587	
78.804348	...				
2022 AMJ	22.246154	16.752747	73.462637	6.579121	
86.813187	...				
JAS	21.857609	15.452174	69.027174	3.707609	
90.217391	...				
JFM	23.052222	15.928889	67.526667	3.168889	
68.888889	...				
OND	22.422826	16.054348	69.705435	4.883696	
86.956522	...				
2023 AMJ	20.757143	16.123077	77.093407	7.653846	
92.307692	...				
JAS	20.770652	14.615217	70.380435	3.895652	
89.130435	...				
JFM	23.551111	14.857778	61.908889	4.746667	
48.888889	...				
OND	20.921739	16.061957	76.271739	9.731522	
90.217391	...				
2024 AMJ	21.420879	16.808791	77.429670	10.136264	
96.703297	...				
JAS	20.957609	14.882609	70.869565	3.558696	
92.391304	...				
JFM	21.932967	16.305495	73.540659	4.537363	
81.318681	...				
OND	21.235870	15.602174	72.980435	6.805435	
93.478261	...				
		winddir	sealevelpressure	cloudcover	visibility \
year	season				
2020	AMJ	193.210440	1016.967582	63.553846	22.155249
	JAS	177.209783	1016.288587	64.353261	22.263587
	JFM	242.989011	1015.947802	62.648901	22.378571
	OND	226.109783	1015.379348	61.746739	21.599457
2021	AMJ	216.178571	1016.113187	61.883516	20.070330
	JAS	172.289130	1017.050543	67.831522	20.278804
	JFM	247.634444	1013.963333	61.131667	20.779375
	OND	184.864130	1014.742391	64.295652	22.298370
2022	AMJ	193.554945	1015.818681	62.496703	15.173626
	JAS	182.160870	1016.483696	63.772826	15.227174
	JFM	219.447778	1014.490000	57.216667	15.506667
	OND	189.744565	1014.981522	69.233696	15.957609
2023	AMJ	157.451648	1016.307692	64.369231	18.602198
	JAS	146.133696	1017.110870	60.772826	19.560870
	JFM	226.798889	1014.773333	48.450000	14.945556
	OND	173.875000	1015.241304	66.505435	19.822826
2024	AMJ	196.976923	1016.682418	63.405495	17.879121
	JAS	168.793478	1017.026087	65.659783	18.433696
	JFM	185.272527	1016.324176	59.865934	18.590110
	OND	175.157609	1015.810870	62.992391	18.636957

moonphase \ year season		solarradiation	solarenergy	uvindex	severerisk
2020	AMJ	169.781868	14.700000	7.774725	NaN
0.487033	JAS	140.741848	12.362500	7.125000	NaN
0.488478	JFM	250.495604	21.623077	8.901099	NaN
0.472418	OND	214.257609	18.463043	8.842391	NaN
0.472391	2021	244.623626	21.128022	8.703297	NaN
0.485934	AMJ	219.351630	18.944022	7.896739	NaN
0.510761	JAS	274.459444	23.710000	9.388889	NaN
0.469444	JFM	251.354891	21.697283	8.902174	NaN
0.506957	OND	237.440659	20.485714	8.483516	29.890110
2022	AMJ	220.217391	19.027174	7.923913	21.956522
0.461209	JAS	275.688889	23.793333	9.344444	10.740741
0.479022	JFM	245.295652	21.179348	8.695652	16.521739
0.473222	OND	234.404396	20.237363	8.318681	33.406593
0.487826	2023	229.320652	19.788043	8.184783	18.478261
0.468352	AMJ	276.237778	23.862222	9.333333	13.222222
0.481087	JAS	240.830435	20.790217	8.804348	21.413043
0.467889	JFM	223.718681	19.313187	8.175824	27.857143
0.499674	OND	219.116304	18.922826	7.869565	18.804348
2024	AMJ	264.164835	22.816484	9.098901	13.736264
0.477363	JAS	241.244565	20.838043	8.706522	16.086957
0.495978	JFM				
0.496154	OND				
0.490109					
year season		month			
2020	AMJ	5.00000			
	JAS	7.98913			

	JFM	2.00000
	OND	11.00000
2021	AMJ	5.00000
	JAS	7.98913
	JFM	2.00000
	OND	11.00000
2022	AMJ	5.00000
	JAS	7.98913
	JFM	2.00000
	OND	11.00000
2023	AMJ	5.00000
	JAS	7.98913
	JFM	2.00000
	OND	11.00000
2024	AMJ	5.00000
	JAS	7.98913
	JFM	2.00000
	OND	11.00000

[20 rows x 25 columns]

Weather in Kericho

We are now going to check how the weather is in `kericho_kenya` Then we are going to check if coffee crop is suitable to grow there.

```
kericho_weather = weather[weather["name"] == "kericho_kenya"]
if kericho_weather.empty:
    print("No weather data found for Kericho")
    exit(1)

# Now lets take a look at the total seasonal rain per season
total_seasonal_rain = kericho_weather.groupby(["year", "season"])
["precip"].sum()
print(total_seasonal_rain)

# What about the average rain per season?
avg_seasonal_rain = kericho_weather.groupby(["season"])
["precip"].mean()
avg_seasonal_rain
```

year	season	
2020	AMJ	934.6
	JAS	383.7
	JFM	642.6
	OND	605.1
2021	AMJ	607.8
	JAS	355.8
	JFM	265.9

	OND	335.6
2022	AMJ	598.7
	JAS	341.1
	JFM	285.2
	OND	449.3
2023	AMJ	696.5
	JAS	358.4
	JFM	427.2
	OND	895.3
2024	AMJ	922.4
	JAS	327.4
	JFM	412.9
	OND	626.1

Name: precip, dtype: float64

season

AMJ	8.263736
JAS	3.840000
JFM	4.499558
OND	6.329130

Name: precip, dtype: float64

Threshold for coffee crop

```
coffee_thresholds = {
    "min_temp": 15,
    "max_temp": 24,
    "min_precip": 300,
    "max_precip": 600,
    "min_humidity": 60,
    "max_humidity": 80,
    "min_solarradiation": 12,
    "max_solarradiation": 22
}
```

```
def get_suitable_seasons(weather, crop_thresholds):
    seasonal_data = weather.groupby(["year", "season"]).agg({
        "temp": "mean",
        "humidity": "mean",
        "precip": "sum",
        "solarradiation": "mean"
    }).reset_index()
```

Evaluate each season

```
suitable_seasons = []
```

```
for _, row in seasonal_data.iterrows():
    score = 0
    total = 4 # number of parameters being checked

    season_temp = row["temp"]
```

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        season_precip = row["precip"]
        season_humidity = row["humidity"]
        season_solarradiation = row["solarradiation"]

        if crop_thresholds["min_temp"] <= season_temp <=
crop_thresholds["max_temp"]:
            score += 1
        if crop_thresholds["min_precip"] <= season_precip <=
crop_thresholds["max_precip"]:
            score += 1
        if crop_thresholds["min_humidity"] <= season_humidity <=
crop_thresholds["max_humidity"]:
            score += 1
        if crop_thresholds["min_solarradiation"] <=
season_solarradiation <= crop_thresholds["max_solarradiation"]:
            score += 1

        if score / total >= 0.75:
            suitable_seasons.append({
                "year": int(row["year"]),
                "season": row["season"],
                "score": score / total,
                "avg_temp": round(row["temp"], 1),
                "total_rain": round(row["precip"], 1),
                "avg_humidity": round(row["humidity"], 1),
                "avg_solarradiation": round(row["solarradiation"], 1)
            })

    return suitable_seasons

```

```

suitable_seasons = get_suitable_seasons(kericho_weather,
coffee_thresholds)
print("Suitable seasons for growing coffe in Kericho")
suitable_seasons

```

Suitable seasons for growing coffe in Kericho

```

[{'year': 2020,
  'season': 'JAS',
  'score': 0.75,
  'avg_temp': 20.7,
  'total_rain': 383.7,
  'avg_humidity': 74.5,
  'avg_solarradiation': 62.2},
 {'year': 2021,
  'season': 'JAS',
  'score': 0.75,
  'avg_temp': 21.9,
  'total_rain': 355.8,
  'avg_humidity': 69.2,

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'avg_solarradiation': 222.2},
{'year': 2021,
 'season': 'OND',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 22.5,
 'total_rain': 335.6,
 'avg_humidity': 66.3,
 'avg_solarradiation': 250.6},
{'year': 2022,
 'season': 'AMJ',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 22.2,
 'total_rain': 598.7,
 'avg_humidity': 73.5,
 'avg_solarradiation': 237.4},
{'year': 2022,
 'season': 'JAS',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 21.8,
 'total_rain': 341.1,
 'avg_humidity': 69.0,
 'avg_solarradiation': 220.2},
{'year': 2022,
 'season': 'OND',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 22.4,
 'total_rain': 449.3,
 'avg_humidity': 69.7,
 'avg_solarradiation': 245.3},
{'year': 2023,
 'season': 'JAS',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 20.8,
 'total_rain': 358.4,
 'avg_humidity': 70.4,
 'avg_solarradiation': 229.3},
{'year': 2023,
 'season': 'JFM',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 23.6,
 'total_rain': 427.2,
 'avg_humidity': 61.9,
 'avg_solarradiation': 276.2},
{'year': 2024,
 'season': 'JAS',
 'score': 0.75,
 'avg_temp': 21.0,
 'total_rain': 327.4,
 'avg_humidity': 70.9,
```

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    'avg_solarradiation': 219.1},
    {'year': 2024,
     'season': 'JFM',
     'score': 0.75,
     'avg_temp': 21.8,
     'total_rain': 412.9,
     'avg_humidity': 73.5,
     'avg_solarradiation': 264.2}]

```

Results

As we can see from the above results, coffee is suitable to be grown in Kericho on every season.

Reformatting Weather Conditions

I've realised that the column `conditions` is always set to `Rain`, `Partially Cloudy`, even on days that have extremely low `precip` values. To correct this invalid data, I am going to implement a rule-based classifier using hardcoded thresholds on features like `precip`, `humidity` and `cloudcover`, to assign a label like:

```

- "Rain"
- "Partially cloudy"
- "Overcast"
- "Clear"

```

I am going to set a ruleset of:

```

- Rain: precip > 2.0 mm
- Overcast: cloudcover > 80%
- Partially cloudy: cloudcover > 40% or humidity > 70%
- High solar radiation: solarradiation > 200
- Clear: everything else

```

Count unique values in the year 2020

```

kericho_2020 = kericho_weather[kericho_weather.index.year ==
2020].copy()
print(type(kericho_2020))

```

```

kericho_2020["conditions"].unique()

```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

```

```

array(['partially_cloudy', 'rain_partially_cloudy', 'clear',
      'rain_overcast'], dtype=object)

```

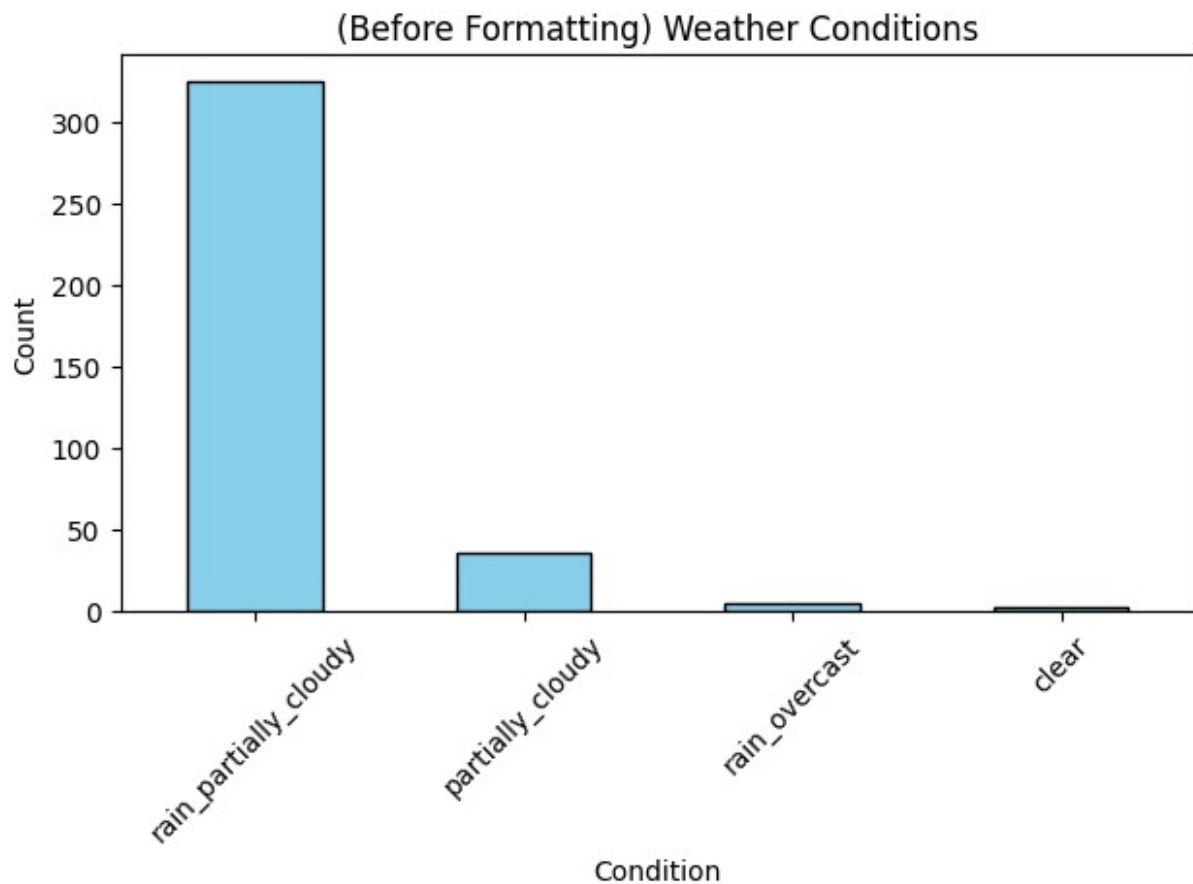
Plot bar chart

```

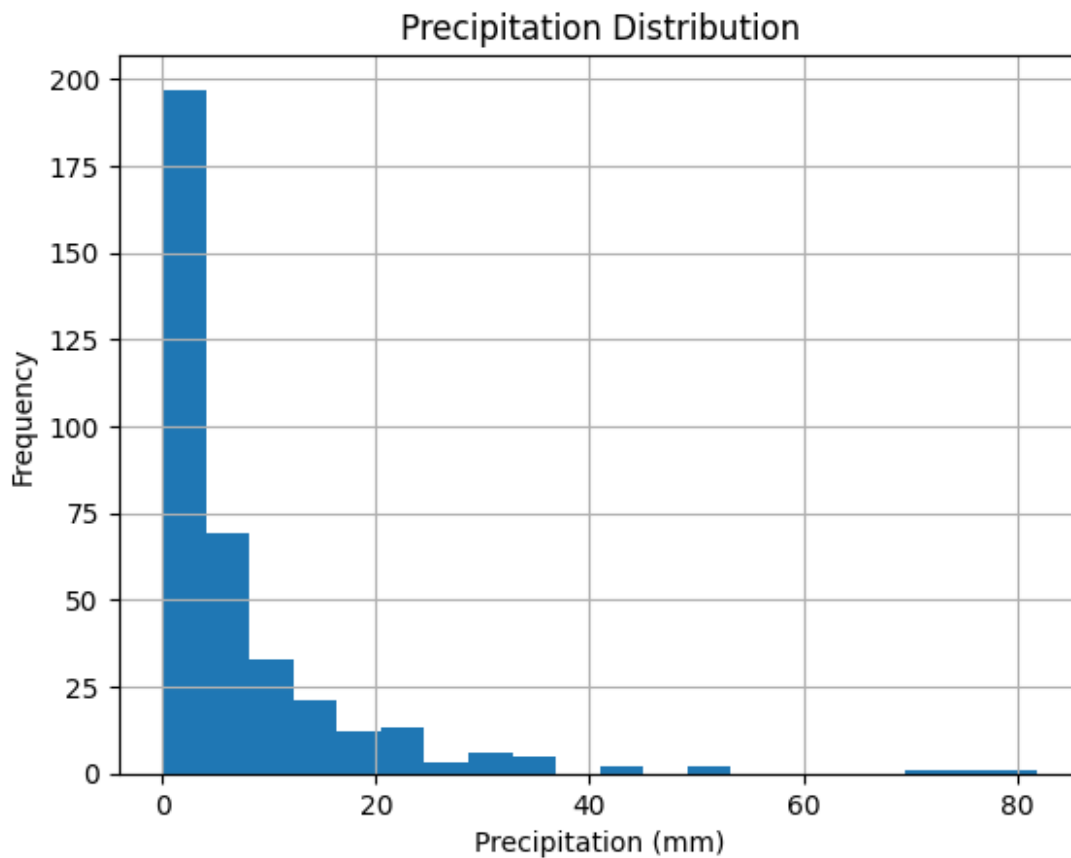
counts = kericho_2020["conditions"].value_counts()
counts.plot(kind='bar', color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')

```

```
plt.title("(Before Formatting) Weather Conditions")
plt.xlabel("Condition")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



```
# Plot a histogram for rainfall distribution
kericho_2020["precip"].hist(bins=20)
plt.title("Precipitation Distribution")
plt.xlabel("Precipitation (mm)")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.show()
```



```
def group_weather_conditions(row):  
    if row["precip"] > 4.0:  
        return "rain"  
    elif row["cloudcover"] > 80:  
        return "overcast"  
    elif row["cloudcover"] < 15 and row["solarradiation"] > 500:  
        return "sunny"  
    elif row["cloudcover"] > 40 or row["humidity"] > 70:  
        return "partially_cloudy"  
    else:  
        return "clear"
```

```
kericho_2020["conditions"] =  
kericho_2020.apply(group_weather_conditions, axis=1)  
kericho_2020["conditions"].value_counts()
```

```
conditions  
partially_cloudy    173  
rain                169  
clear               16  
overcast            8  
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

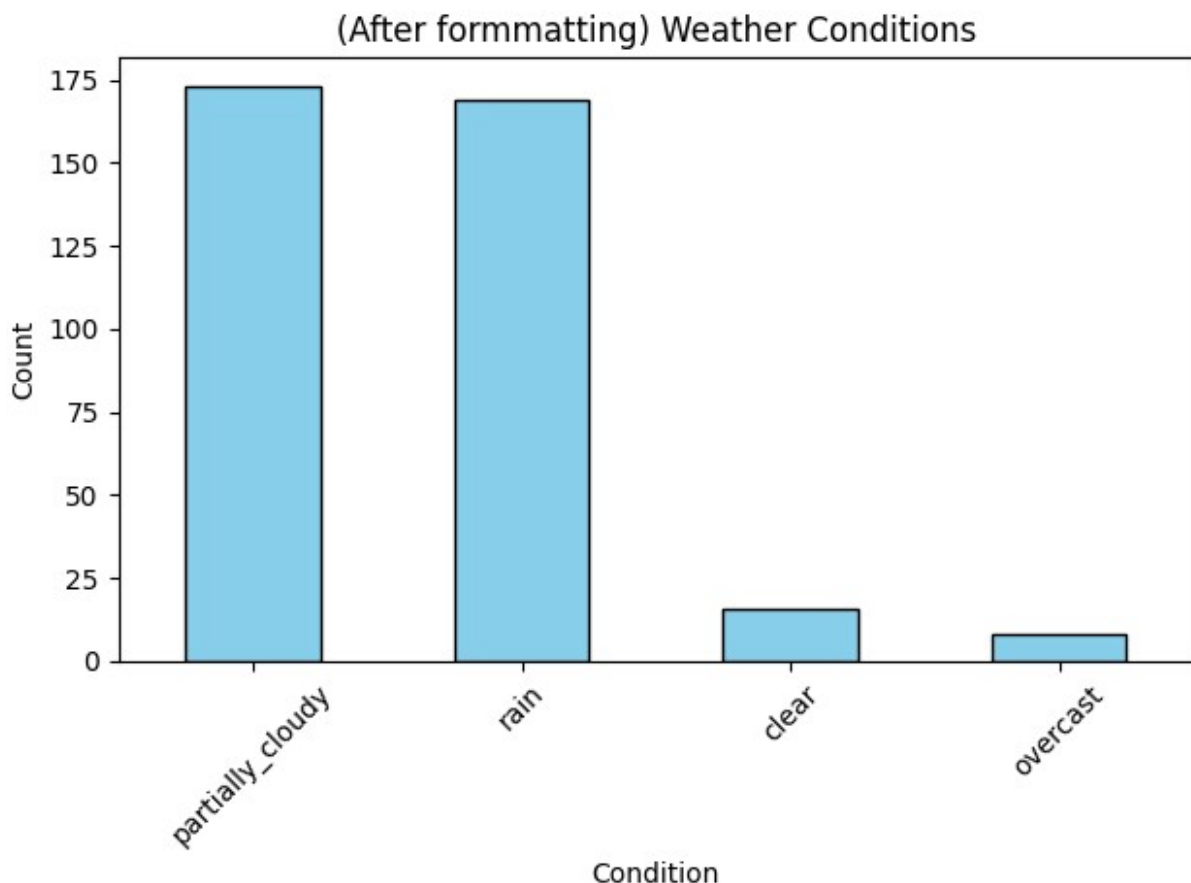
```

# Count new unique values
counts = kericho_2020["conditions"].value_counts()

# Plot bar chart
counts.plot(kind='bar', color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')

plt.title("(After formmattting) Weather Conditions")
plt.xlabel("Condition")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



Plot Weather Data For Kericho For The Years 2020-2024

This will enable us to view the shape of the data and confirm if it aligns to already established climate patterns. Data that aligns to already established climate patterns is more trustworthy than one that is not.

```

# Plot our weather data onto a graph to see how it looks like
def plt_weather_data(weather, columnname, title):

```



```

weather = weather.copy()
weather['year'] = weather.index.year
weather['month'] = weather.index.month

years = sorted(weather['year'].unique())
n_years = len(years)

# Create subplot grid (1 row per 2 columns)
cols = 2
rows = (n_years + 1) // cols

fig, axes = plt.subplots(rows, cols, figsize=(16, 5 * rows),
sharey=True)
axes = axes.flatten()

month_names = ['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun',
               'Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', 'Dec']

for i, year in enumerate(years):
    df_year = weather[weather['year'] == year]
    monthly_avg = df_year.groupby('month')[columnname].mean()

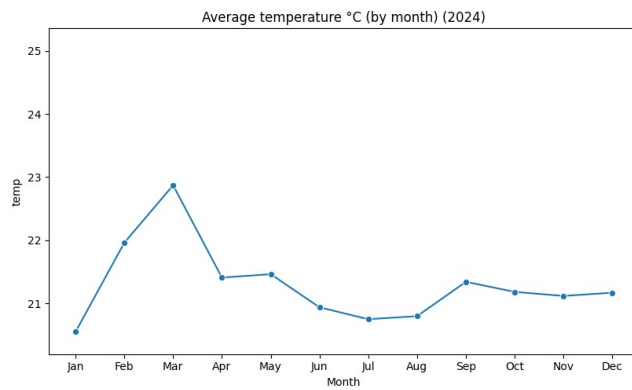
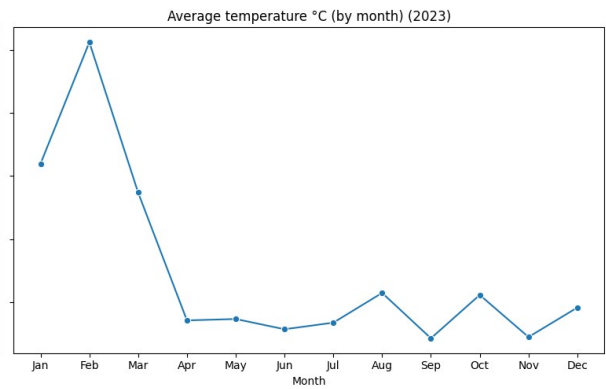
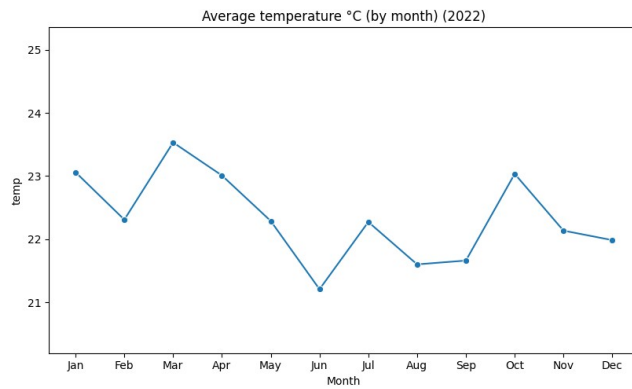
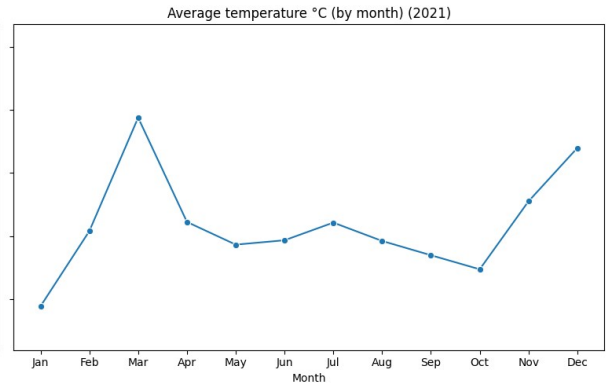
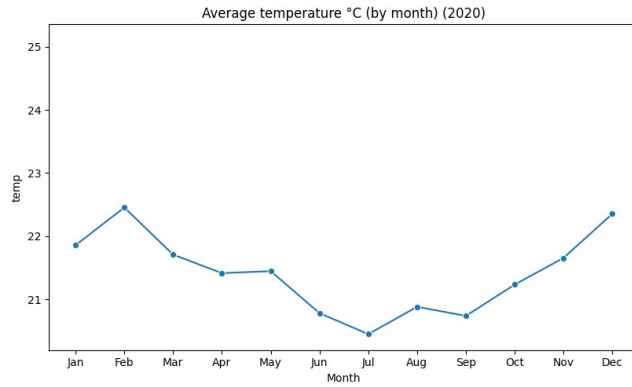
    # Plot
    ax = axes[i]
    sns.lineplot(
        x=month_names,
        y=monthly_avg.values,
        marker="o",
        ax=ax
    )
    ax.set_title(f"{title} ({year})")
    ax.set_xlabel("Month")
    ax.set_ylabel(columnname)

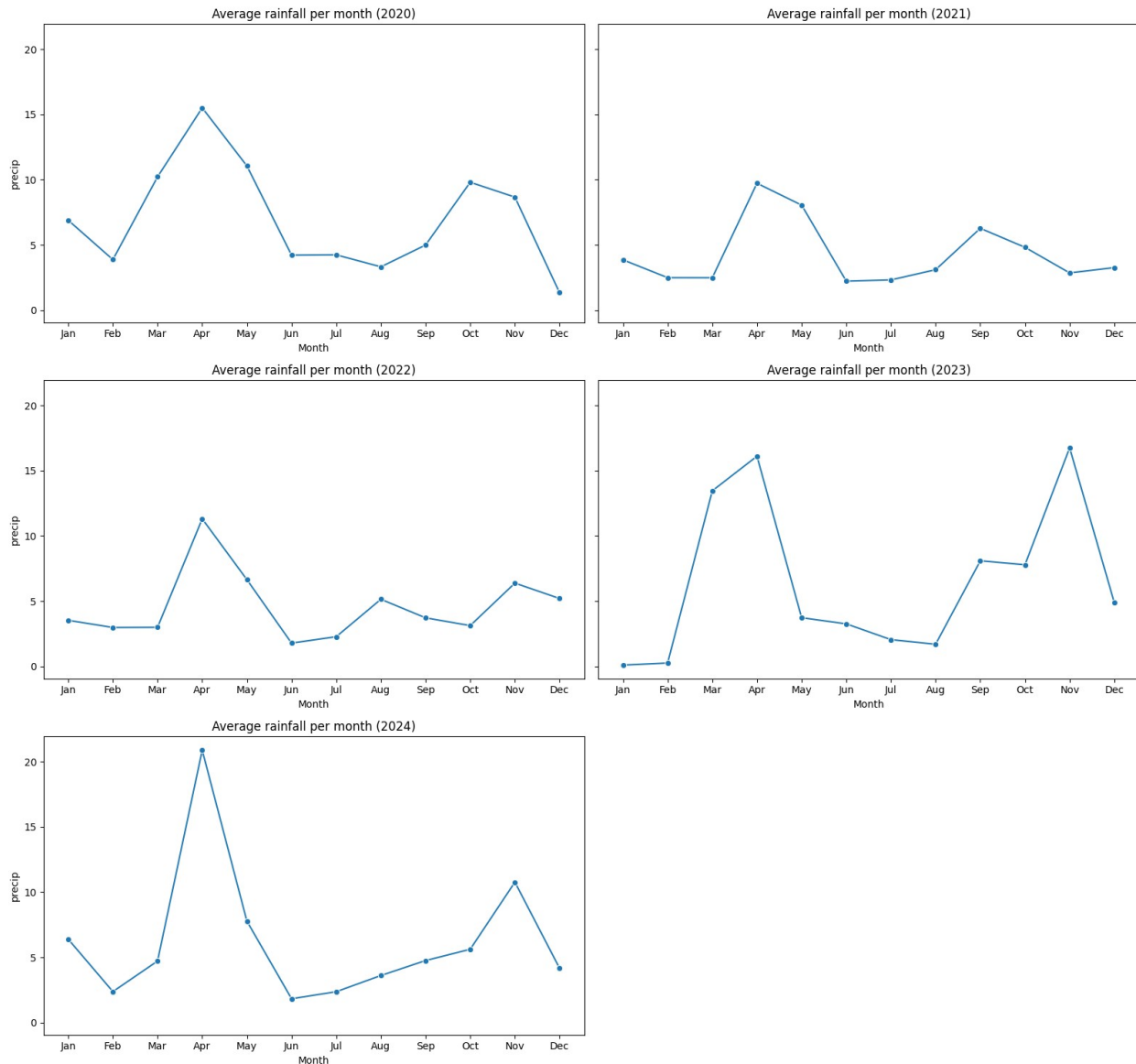
# Hide unused subplots if number of years is odd
for j in range(i + 1, len(axes)):
    fig.delaxes(axes[j])

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

plt_weather_data(kericho_weather, "temp", "Average temperature °C (by
month)")
plt_weather_data(kericho_weather, "precip", "Average rainfall per
month")

```





Forecasting

In this section, I am going to implement a weather forecasting model called **Climatological Forecasting**.

Let's say today is July 15, 2025, and you want to predict the weather for the next 7 days. You would:

1. For each target day, look back at past similar days
2. Average the values (temp, rain, humidity)
3. Use that average as your forecast

Climatological forecasting is especially effective for predicting long-term seasonal patterns.

```

from datetime import datetime, timedelta

# Extract month and day for grouping
weather["month_day"] = weather.index.strftime("%m-%d")
weather["year"] = weather.index.year

# Define forecast target dates
today = datetime.today().date()
upcoming_days = []
for i in range(0, 8):
    tomorrow = today + timedelta(days=i)
    upcoming_days.append(tomorrow.strftime("%m-%d"))

forecast_columns = ["tempmax", "tempmin", "temp", "humidity",
                    "precip", "windspeed", "conditions"]
forecast = []

# Calculate avg weather conditions over the years
for month_day in upcoming_days:
    data = weather[weather["month_day"] == month_day]

    if not data.empty:
        avg = {
            "date": f"2025-{month_day}",
        }
        for col in forecast_columns:
            if col == "conditions":
                # Most frequent condition
                mode_values = data[col].mode()
                if not mode_values.empty:
                    avg[col] = mode_values.iloc[0]
                else:
                    avg[col] = "Unknown"
            else:
                avg[col] = round(data[col].mean(), 2)
        forecast.append(avg)

forecast_df = pd.DataFrame(forecast)

# Ensure 'date' column is datetime (in case it's a string)
forecast_df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(forecast_df['date'])

# Add day name column
forecast_df['day'] = forecast_df['date'].dt.day_name()
forecast_df

```

	date	tempmax	tempmin	temp	humidity	precip	windspeed	\
0	2025-08-07	27.26	13.90	20.66	69.90	1.44	17.60	
1	2025-08-08	27.21	13.87	20.40	71.71	5.14	20.50	
2	2025-08-09	26.11	14.14	20.07	72.00	3.06	18.27	

3	2025-08-10	27.33	12.99	19.94	74.19	2.03	21.31
4	2025-08-11	27.23	14.01	20.66	71.89	2.94	21.60
5	2025-08-12	26.73	14.69	20.46	73.33	9.93	22.09
6	2025-08-13	27.34	13.54	19.87	75.04	5.99	20.30
7	2025-08-14	26.57	13.74	20.07	75.33	3.90	23.41

	conditions	day
0	rain_partially_cloudy	Thursday
1	rain_partially_cloudy	Friday
2	rain_partially_cloudy	Saturday
3	rain_partially_cloudy	Sunday
4	rain_partially_cloudy	Monday
5	rain_partially_cloudy	Tuesday
6	rain_partially_cloudy	Wednesday
7	rain_partially_cloudy	Thursday

```
# Ensure 'date' column is datetime (in case it's a string)
forecast_df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(forecast_df['date'])
```

```
# Add day name column
forecast_df['day'] = forecast_df['date'].dt.day_name()
```

```
forecast_json = forecast_df.to_json(orient="records",
date_format="iso")
print(forecast_json)
```

```
[{"date": "2025-08-07T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 27.26, "tempmin": 13.9, "temp": 20.66, "humidity": 69.9, "precip": 1.44, "windspeed": 17.6, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Thursday"}, {"date": "2025-08-08T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 27.21, "tempmin": 13.87, "temp": 20.4, "humidity": 71.71, "precip": 5.14, "windspeed": 20.5, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Friday"}, {"date": "2025-08-09T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 26.11, "tempmin": 14.14, "temp": 20.07, "humidity": 72.0, "precip": 3.06, "windspeed": 18.27, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Saturday"}, {"date": "2025-08-10T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 27.33, "tempmin": 12.99, "temp": 19.94, "humidity": 74.19, "precip": 2.03, "windspeed": 21.31, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Sunday"}, {"date": "2025-08-11T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 27.23, "tempmin": 14.01, "temp": 20.66, "humidity": 71.89, "precip": 2.94, "windspeed": 21.6, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Monday"}, {"date": "2025-08-12T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 26.73, "tempmin": 14.69, "temp": 20.46, "humidity": 73.33, "precip": 9.93, "windspeed": 22.09, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Tuesday"}, {"date": "2025-08-13T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 27.34, "tempmin": 13.54, "temp": 19.87, "humidity": 75.04, "precip": 5.99, "windspeed": 20.3, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Wednesday"}, {"date": "2025-08-14T00:00:00.000", "tempmax": 26.57, "tempmin": 13.74, "temp": 20.07, "humidity": 75.33, "precip": 3.9, "windspeed": 23.41, "conditions": "rain_partially_cloudy", "day": "Thursday"}]
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y":75.33,"precip":3.9,"windspeed":23.41,"conditions":"rain_partially_c  
loudy","day":"Thursday"}]
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