PROJECT REPORT

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1. Technical Description

This project is about forecasting of data on the basis of historic data using Time series analysis and inventory optimization according to certain parameters.

Data Loading and Preparation: Dataset is downloaded from kaggle.

Importing Libraries: Numpy, Pandas for datasets. Plotly, Matplotlib for data visualization. Statsmodels for using SARIMA model.

Demand Forecasting: SARIMA model is applied on the data(seasonal data) for predicting future values that was followed by plotting ACF and PACF for estimating values of parameters . This gives predicted values for next 10 days that serves as input for inventory management.

Inventory Optimization: Optimal invetory levels are determined by calculating parameters like Order Quantity, Reorder point, Safety stock, Total Cost. Formulas used are as follows:

- Order quantity: $Q^* = \mu + z \cdot \sigma$ where z is the z-score, μ is the mean, and σ is the standard deviation of the forecasted demand.
- Reorder Point = μ · Lead Time + z
- Safety Stock = Reorder Point $(\mu \cdot \text{Lead Time})$
- Total Cost = Holding Cost + Stockout Cost
- Holding Cost = holding cost (per unit) × (initial inventory + $0.5 \times Q^*$)
- Stockout Cost = stockout cost $\times \max(0, \mu \cdot \text{Lead Time} \text{initial inventory})$

2. Use of AI Tools

We have used Chatgpt for building OOPS class of Inventory Management.

3. Future Explorations

- Demand forecasting can be used to predict future crop yields that too are based on seasonal fluctuations (according to climatic conditions) that can help farmers to plan resources like seeds, fertilizers and pesticides accordingly.
- We can also use inventory optimization for maintaining balance between supply and demand by minimizing the costs.