

# Sprint 3

## Capstone Project

### Alternative Fuel Stations and Electric Vehicles Study

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# Project Overview



## Motivation

According to a survey from 2022, 46% of U.S. consumers are concerned about the limited availability of public charging stations for EV.

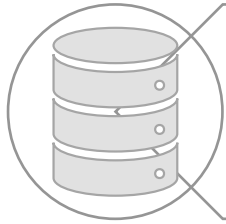
## Vision

European countries are preparing to ban the sales of new gas-powered vehicles by 2035.

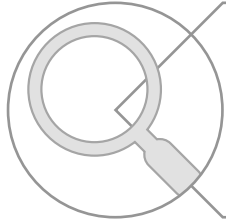
## Solution

Using Linear Regression and/or Time Series Forecasting, consumers could make data driven decisions.

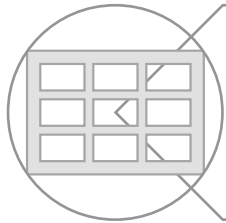
# Dataset Overview



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Original dataframe shape  
(56800, 65)



Modeling dataframe shape  
(316, 1)

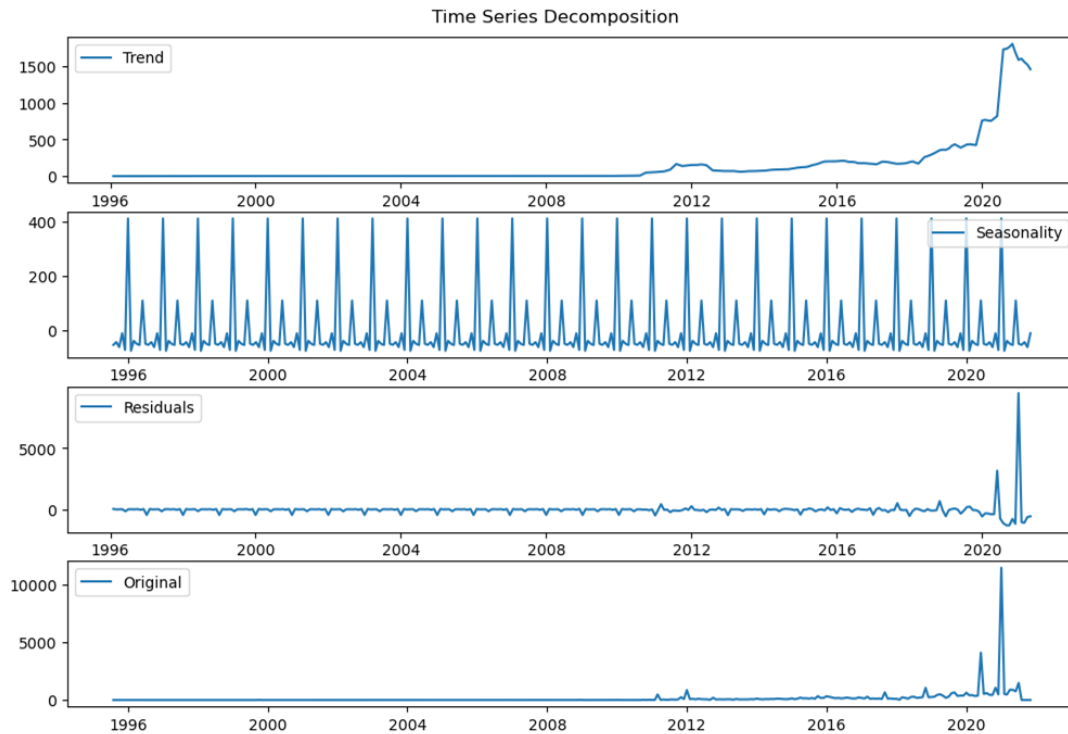
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(56800, 65)
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Int64Index: 47086 entries, 159 to 56793  
Data columns (total 2 columns):  
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--  --  
0   Open Date    45791 non-null  datetime64[ns]  
1   State        47086 non-null  object  
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), object(1)  
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
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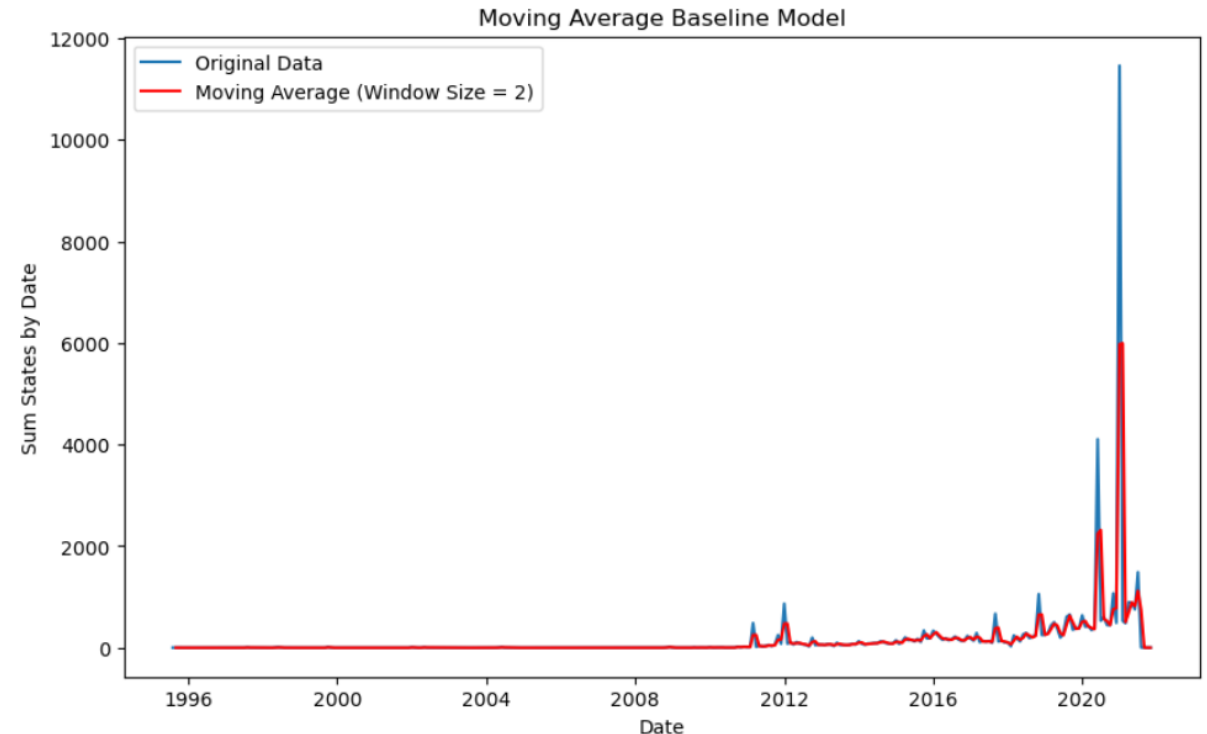
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Data columns (total 53 columns):  
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--  --  
0   State_AK     45791 non-null  uint8  
1   State_AL     45791 non-null  uint8  
2   State_AR     45791 non-null  uint8
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2 df_TM_monthly.info()  
  
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>  
DatetimeIndex: 316 entries, 1995-08-01 to 2021-11-01  
Freq: MS  
Data columns (total 1 columns):  
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype  
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0   Sum States by Date  316 non-null    int64  
dtypes: int64(1)  
memory usage: 4.0 KB
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# Important EDA Findings & Baseline Model



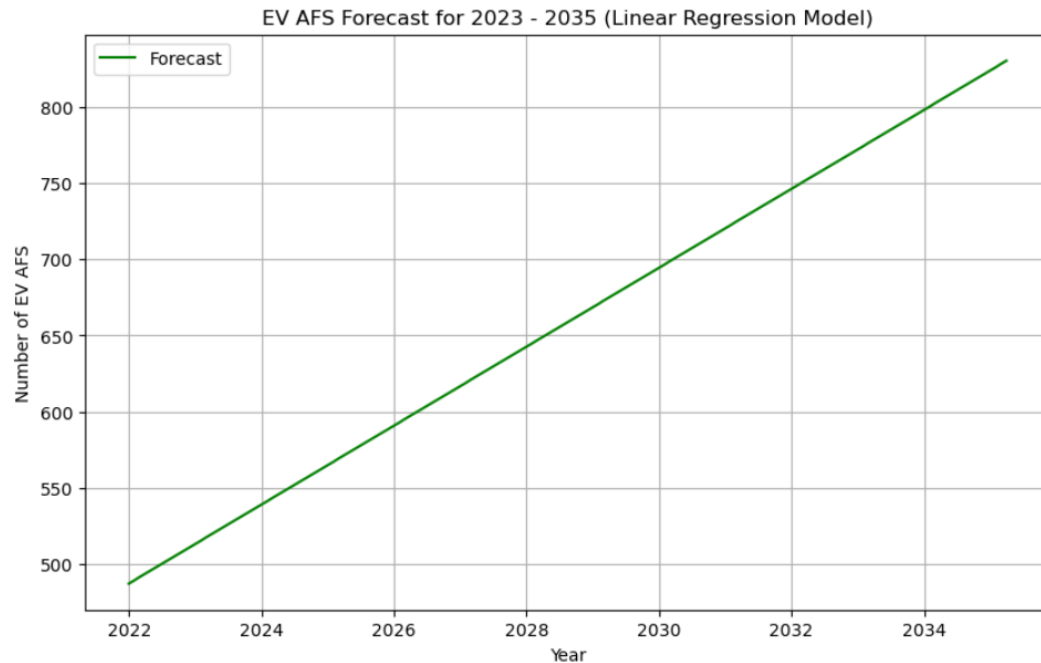
- Trend is positive.
- Seasonality is highest during January and June.
- Residual shows slight seasonality, notable variance at the end.
- Data is non-stationary, its statistical properties, such as mean and variance, change over time.



- Rolling Moving Average with a 2-month window was used for the Baseline.
  - Mean % Error = -132.92%
    - Underestimates the original data
    - 2-month window size provides finer granularity and sensitivity variations in the data.

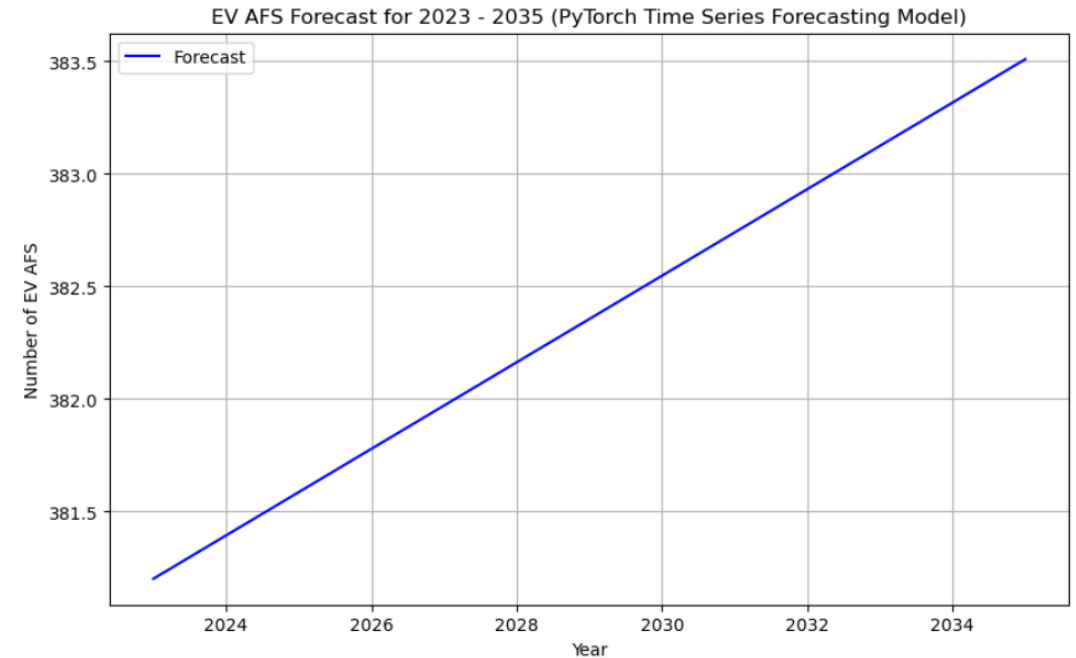
# Modeling

## Linear Regression Model



- $R^2 = 7.8\%$ 
  - Correlation between Sum States by Date Variability and Time Index is low.
- From this chart we can visualize the future trend, 2023 through 2035, is a positive trend, with a ( $m = 25$ ).

## PyTorch Time Series Forecasting



- The Mean Squared Error (MSE) on the testing data was approximately 213125136, significant discrepancy.
- From this chart we can visualize the trend of the number of predicted AFS over the years 2023 through 2035. It is a positive with a ( $m = 0.1$ ).

# Additional Findings

	Vehicles by 2022	Vehicles by 2035	% Change	Number of Stations	Vehicles per Station (2022)	Fill-up/Charge Up Time
Gas Powered Vehicles	270 million (approximately)	250 million (rough estimate)	-11.11%	150,000	1,800 vehicles per 1 gas station	5 min (6 gas powered vehicles for every 1 EV)
Electric Vehicles	2.5 million (approximately)	40 million (rough estimate)	+1,500%	57,200	43 vehicles per 1 EV station	30 min (1 EV for every 6 gas powered vehicle)

- Consider:
  - For each EV charged, there are 6 gas powered vehicles fueled
  - EV market in the US expected to grow 1,500% by the year 2035
  - Although the current ratio of EV per EV Station is better than the gas powered vehicle infrastructure (even with the turnaround factored in), to maintain a healthy ratio, the growth of EV stations would have to grow by at least 130% to keep a 300 EV per 1 EV station ratio.

# Conclusion

## Findings

- Charging stations infrastructure must have a yearly rate of change of ~6.5% to keep a healthy vehicles to charging stations infrastructure ratio.

## Model

- Linear regression slope = 25
- Pytorch Time Series Forecast slope = 0.1

## Conclusion

- EV Consumers would face charging stations infrastructure challenges.

## Considerations

- Keep in mind my dataset has reliability opportunities.
  - low  $R^2$ , high p-value, not a proper MSE.