



# Typhoon Dataset - Time Series Forecasting

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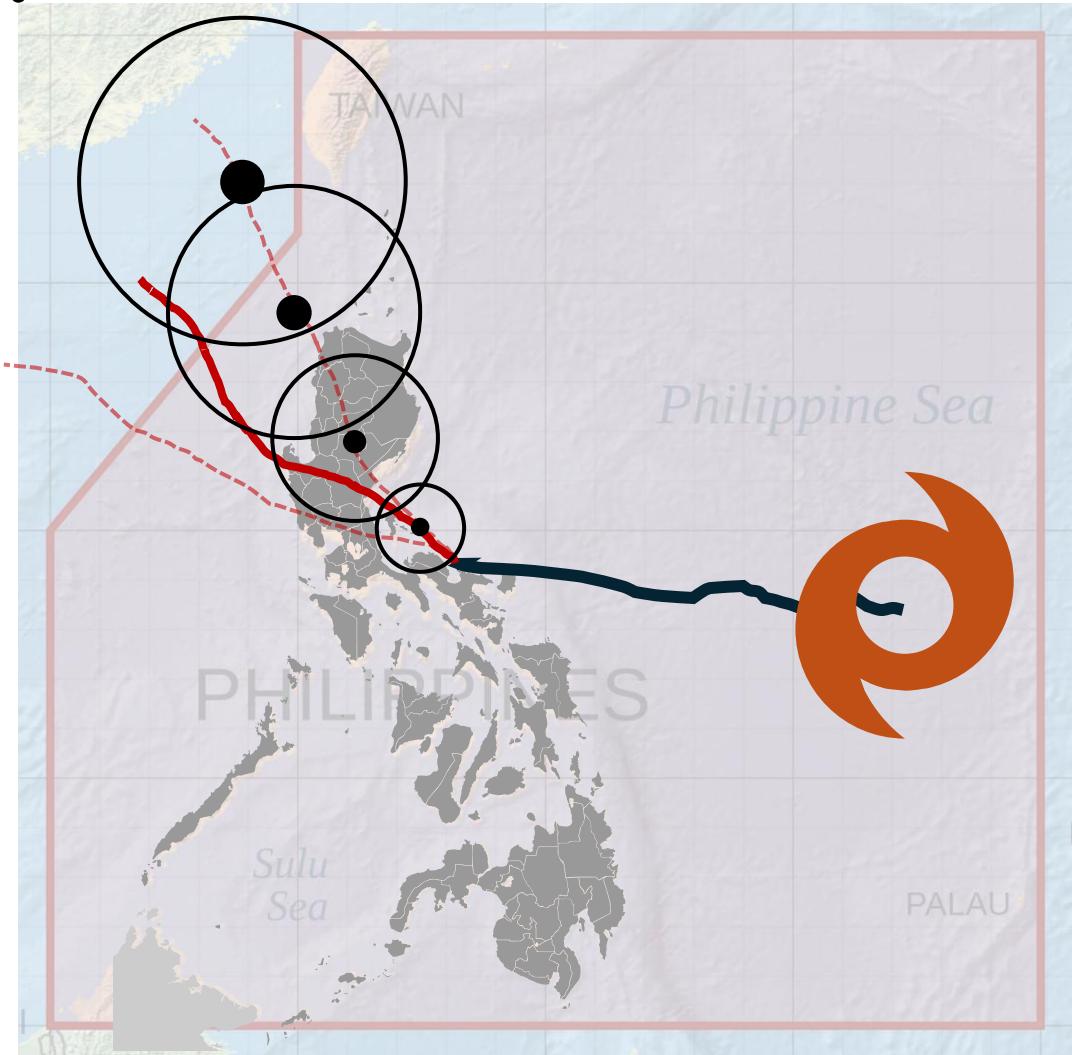
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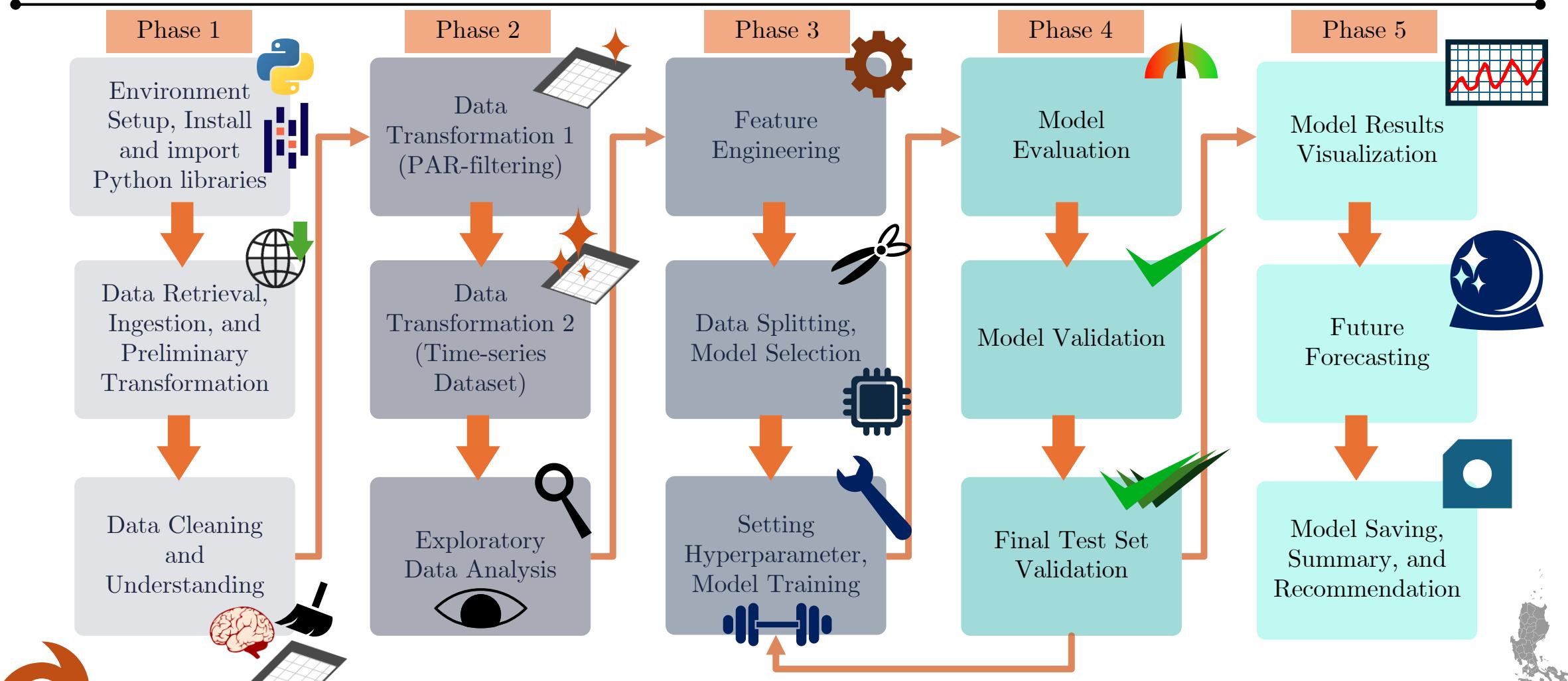
# Statement of the Problem

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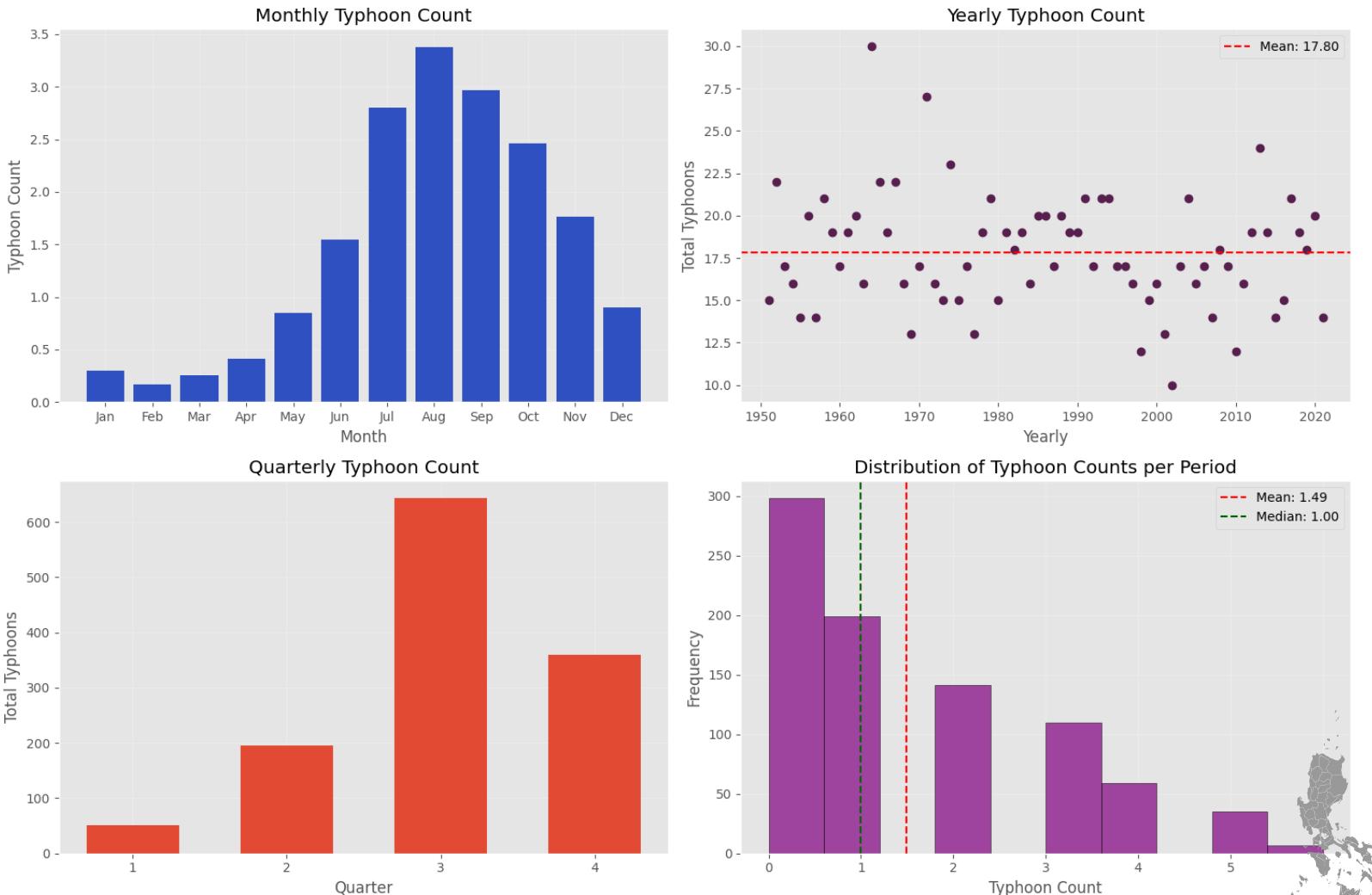
- The Philippines is known to be susceptible to typhoons and resulted to loss of lives and properties, and an estimated economic loss between **12.3B USD – 100B USD** from 2003-2022, and possible higher due to other factors.
- To mitigate and prepare for upcoming calamities, is it possible to predict or estimate the number of typhoons that may affect us within a 2-year window period?
- Tasks: Conduct a Time-Series Forecasting using the RSMC Tokyo-Typhoon Center - Best Track Data  
<https://www.jma.go.jp/jma/jma-eng/jma-center/rsmc-hp-pub-eg/trackarchives.html>

# Technical Methodology



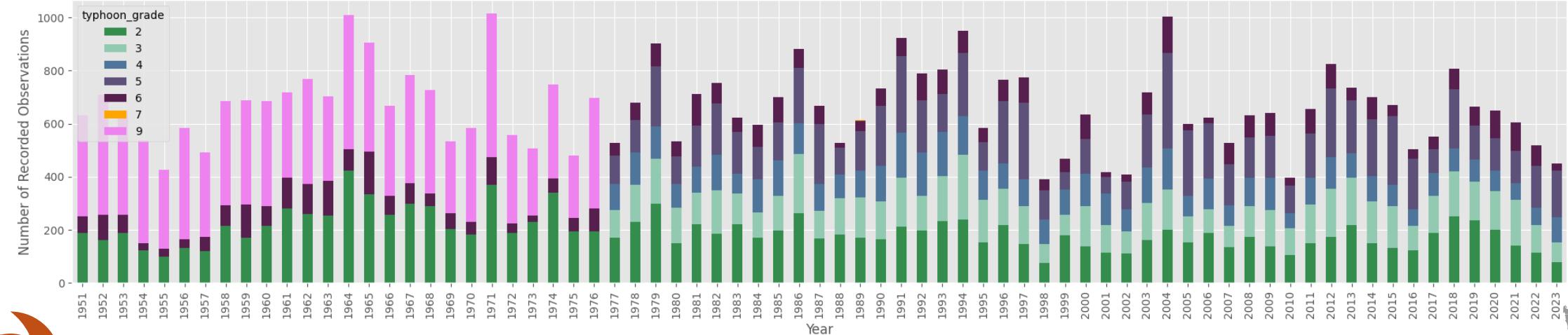
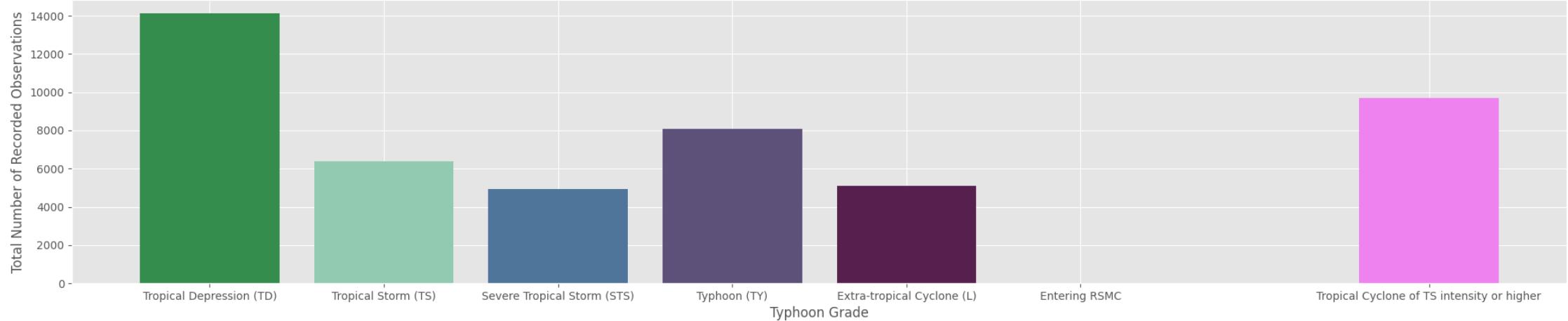
# Exploratory Data Analysis

- July – September – peak typhoon season
- Yearly average of around 18 typhoons entering PAR
- Q3 – “Habagat” Season – experiences lots of typhoon
- Monthly average of 1.49 typhoons



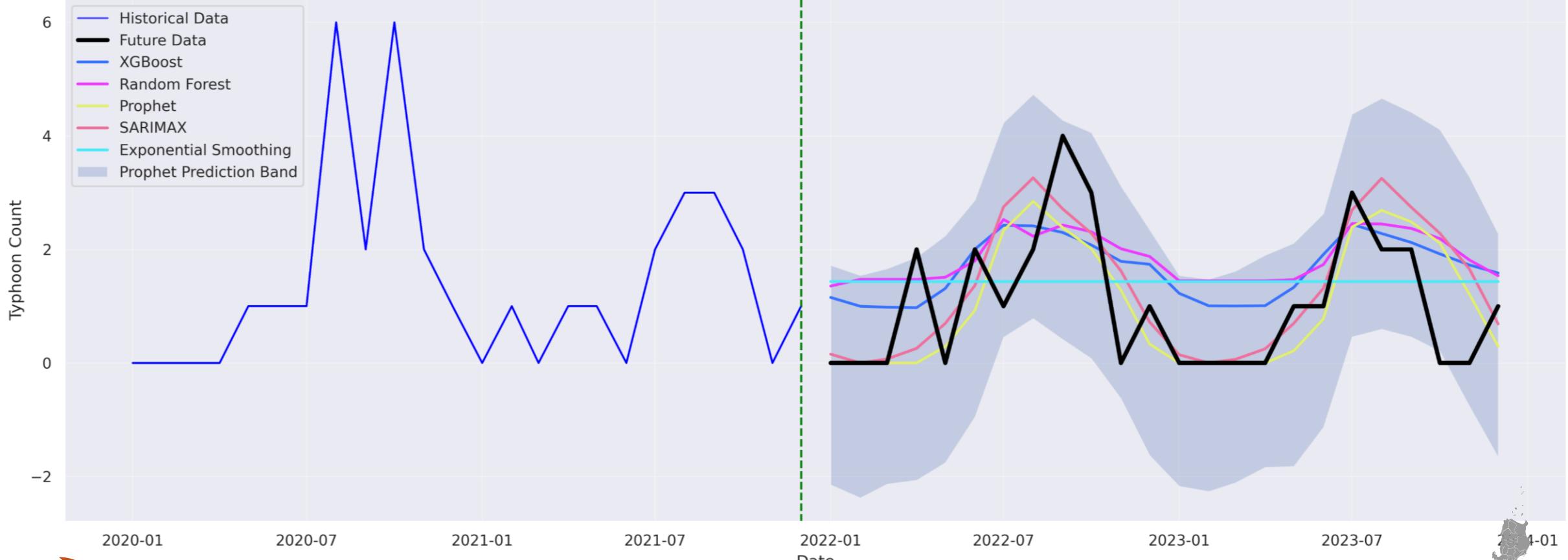
# Exploratory Data Analysis (Typhoon Grade Distribution)

Typhoon Grade Recorded Distribution

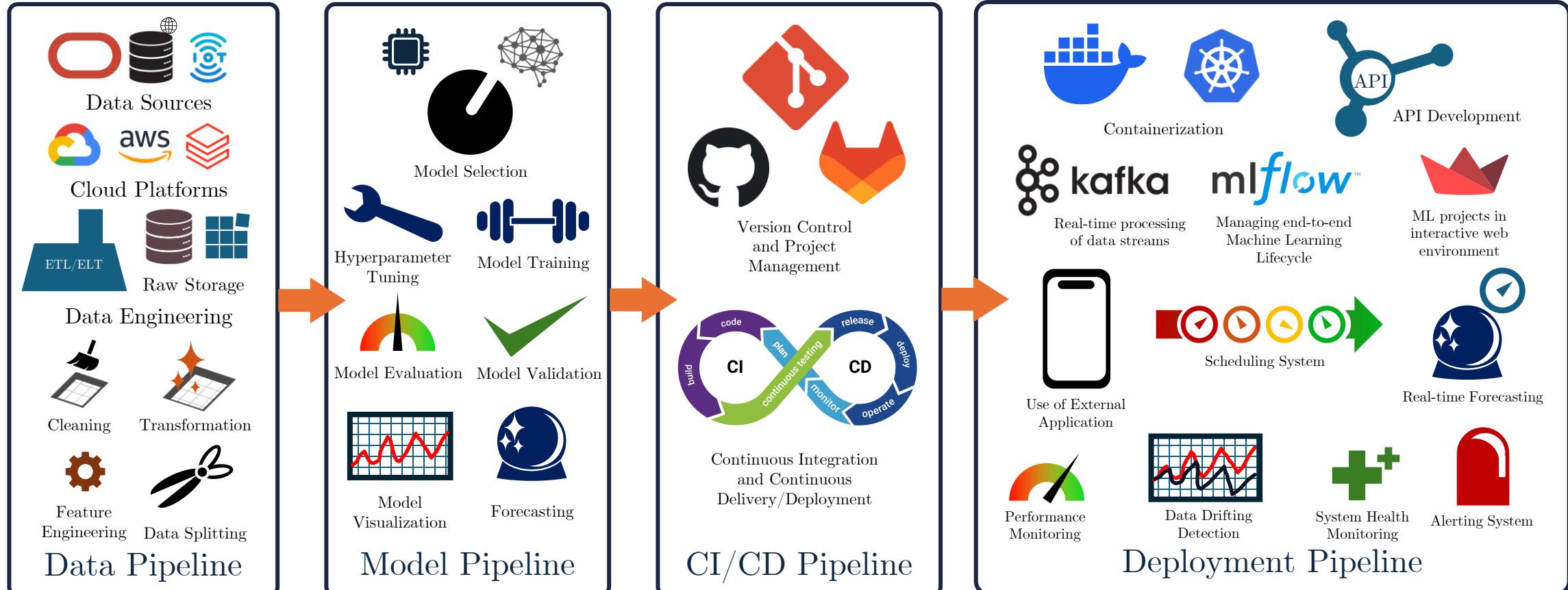


# Results and Discussion (Forecast)

Future Forecast Visualization  
24-Month Typhoon Activity Forecast using of all models



# Deployment Software Architecture



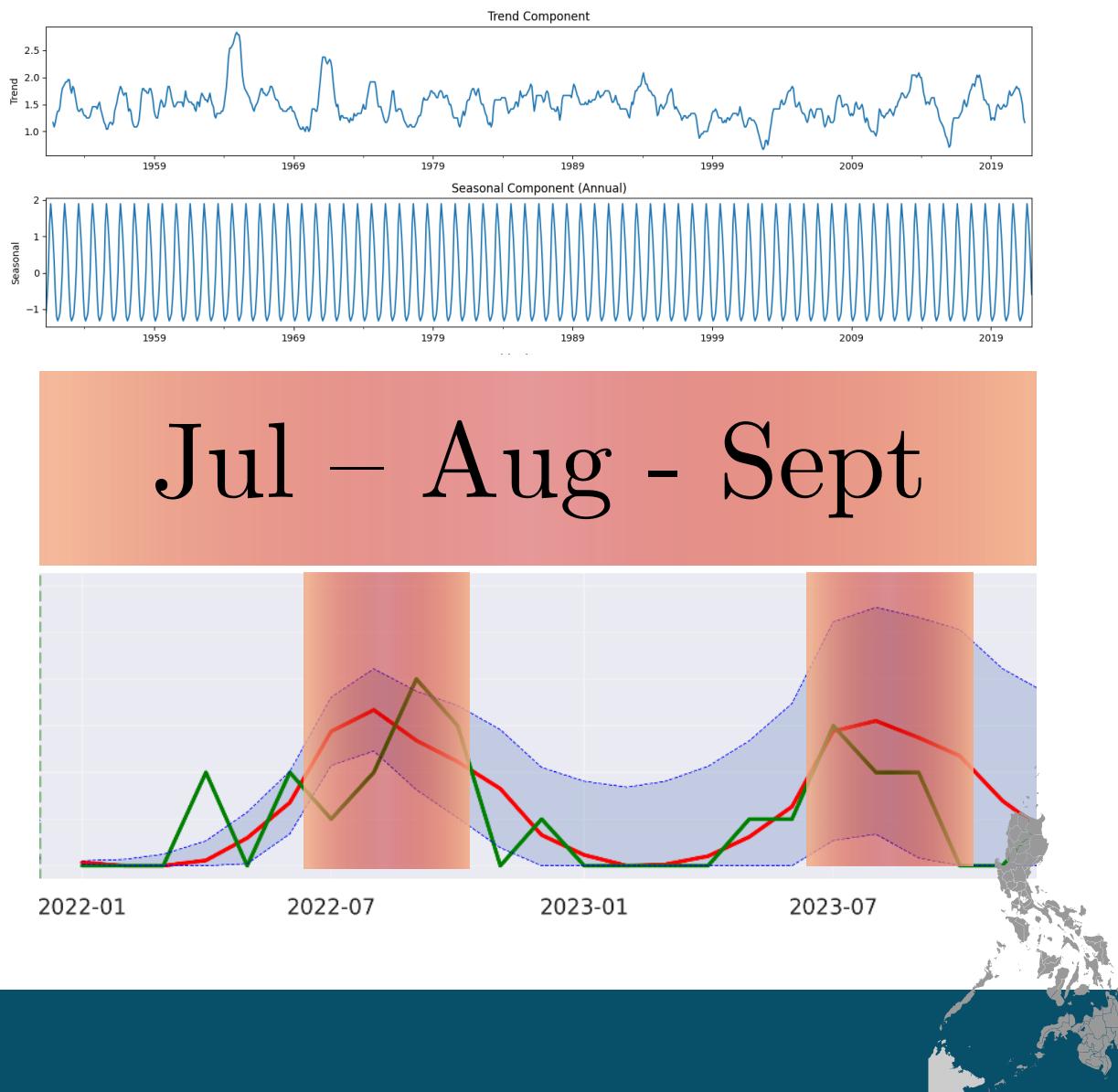
Time Series Forecasting



# Policy Recommendations

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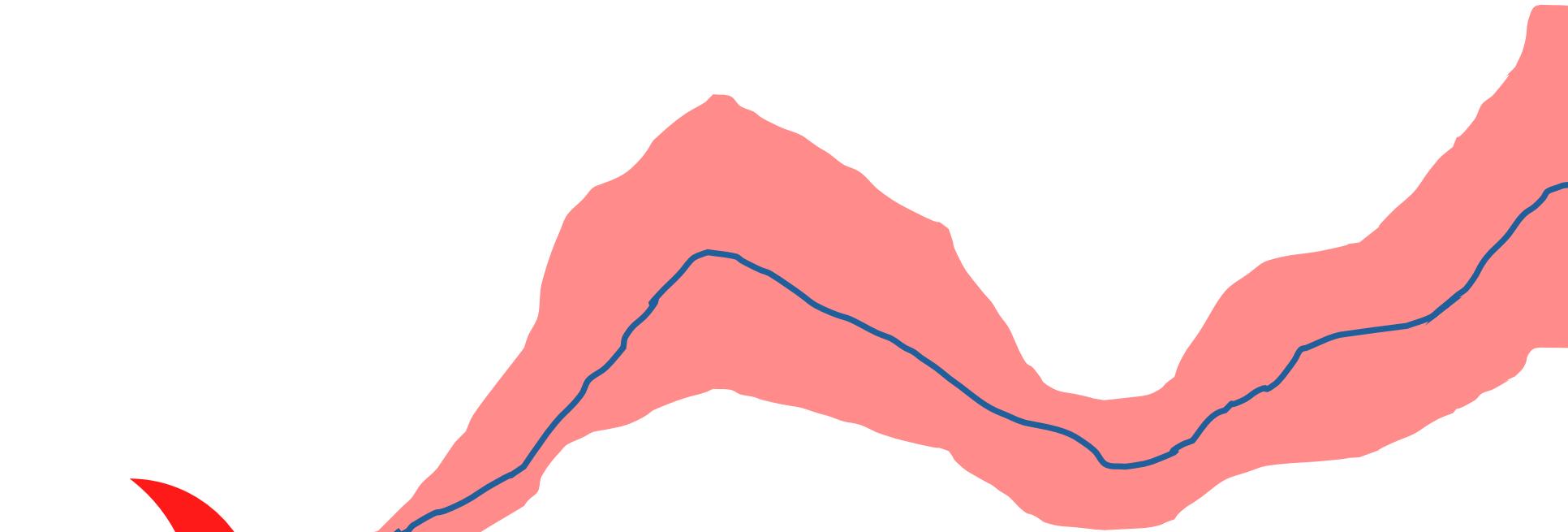
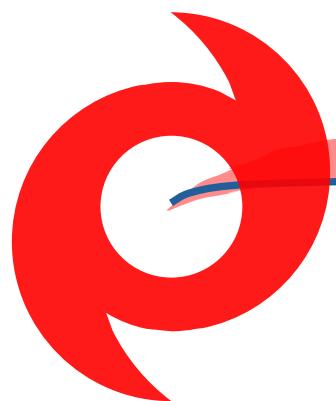
- The historical data, upon decomposition, showed no increasing nor decreasing trend, and exhibits strong yearly seasonality.
- It is expected within the Habagat Season, known for humid and hot weather with heavy rainfall, we can expect more possible typhoons to enter within the third quarter between months of July and September.
- Various models predict two-peak counts within the next 2 years, allowing the government to have enough time to prepare and allocate resources for mitigation, monitoring, response, and infrastructure improvements that largely reduces impact to people and overall national growth.





Thank You!

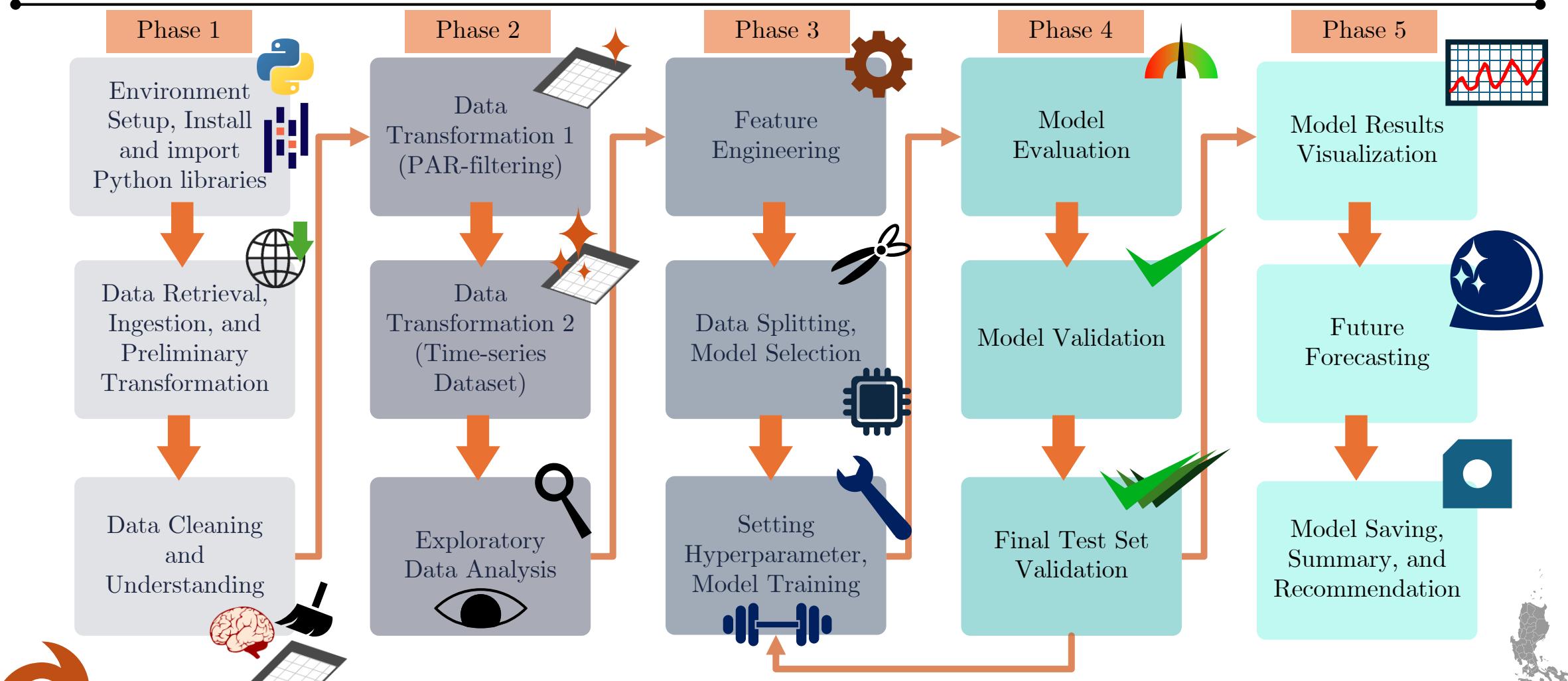




# Technical Details



# Technical Methodology



# Technical Details (Install and Import Libraries)

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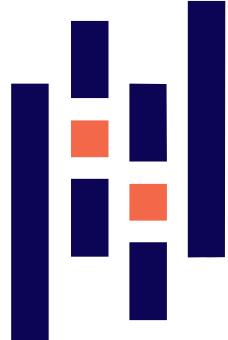
Environment  
Setup, Install  
and import  
Python libraries



NumPy



seaborn



PROPHET

dmlc  
**XGBoost**



statsmodels



# Data Retrieval

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Data Retrieval,  
Ingestion, and  
Preliminary  
Transformation



Data Processing

By KRYSTAL

kaggle



	international_id	date_time	storm_name	typhoon_grade	latitude	longitude	pressure	speed
67886	2122	2021-12-20 06:00:00	RAI	4	18.1	111.4	985	55
67887	2122	2021-12-20 12:00:00	RAI	3	19	111.9	1000	35
67888	2122	2021-12-20 18:00:00	RAI	2	19.9	112.8	1006	0
67889	2122	2021-12-21 00:00:00	RAI	2	20.8	114	1008	0
67890	2122	2021-12-21 06:00:00	RAI	2	21.3	115.3	1008	0

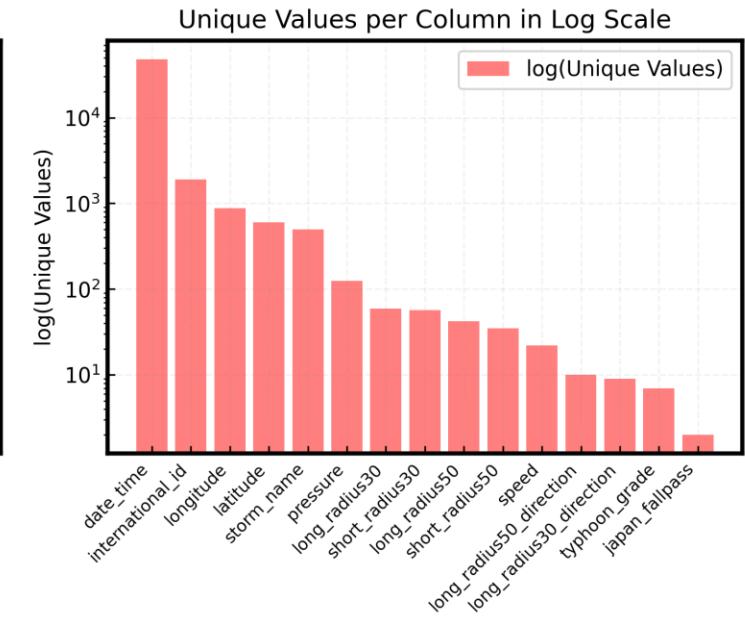
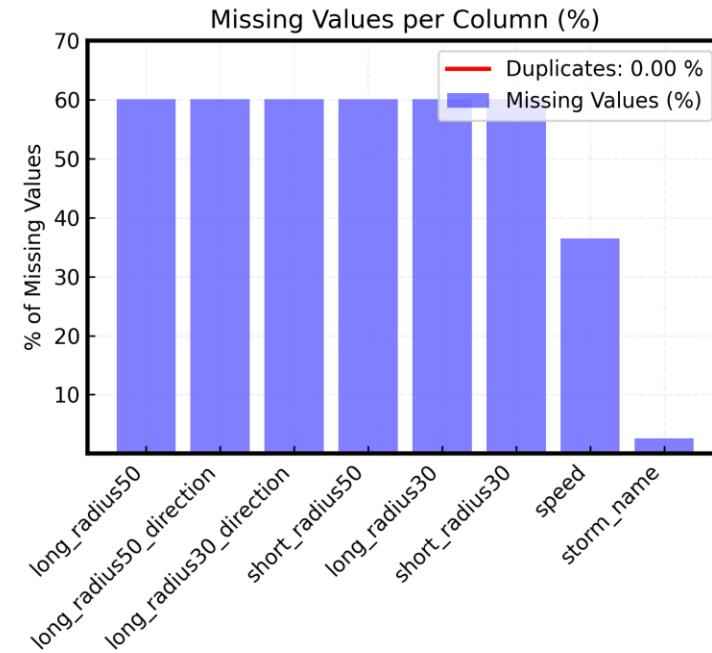
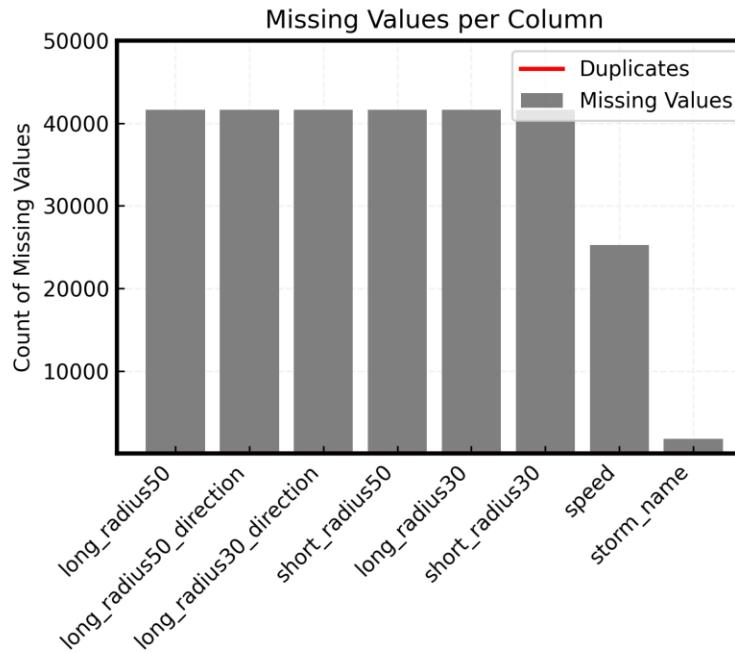
Shape of the kaggle typhoon ds: (67891, 15)



# Technical Details (Cleaning)

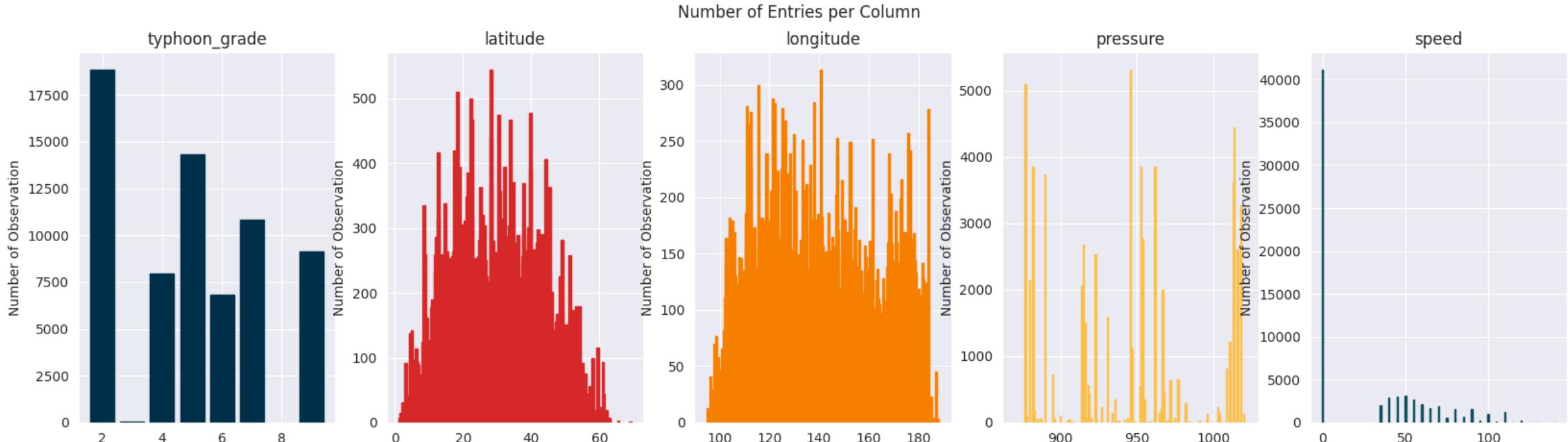
## Data Cleaning and Understanding

Figure: Missing, Duplicates, and Unique Values



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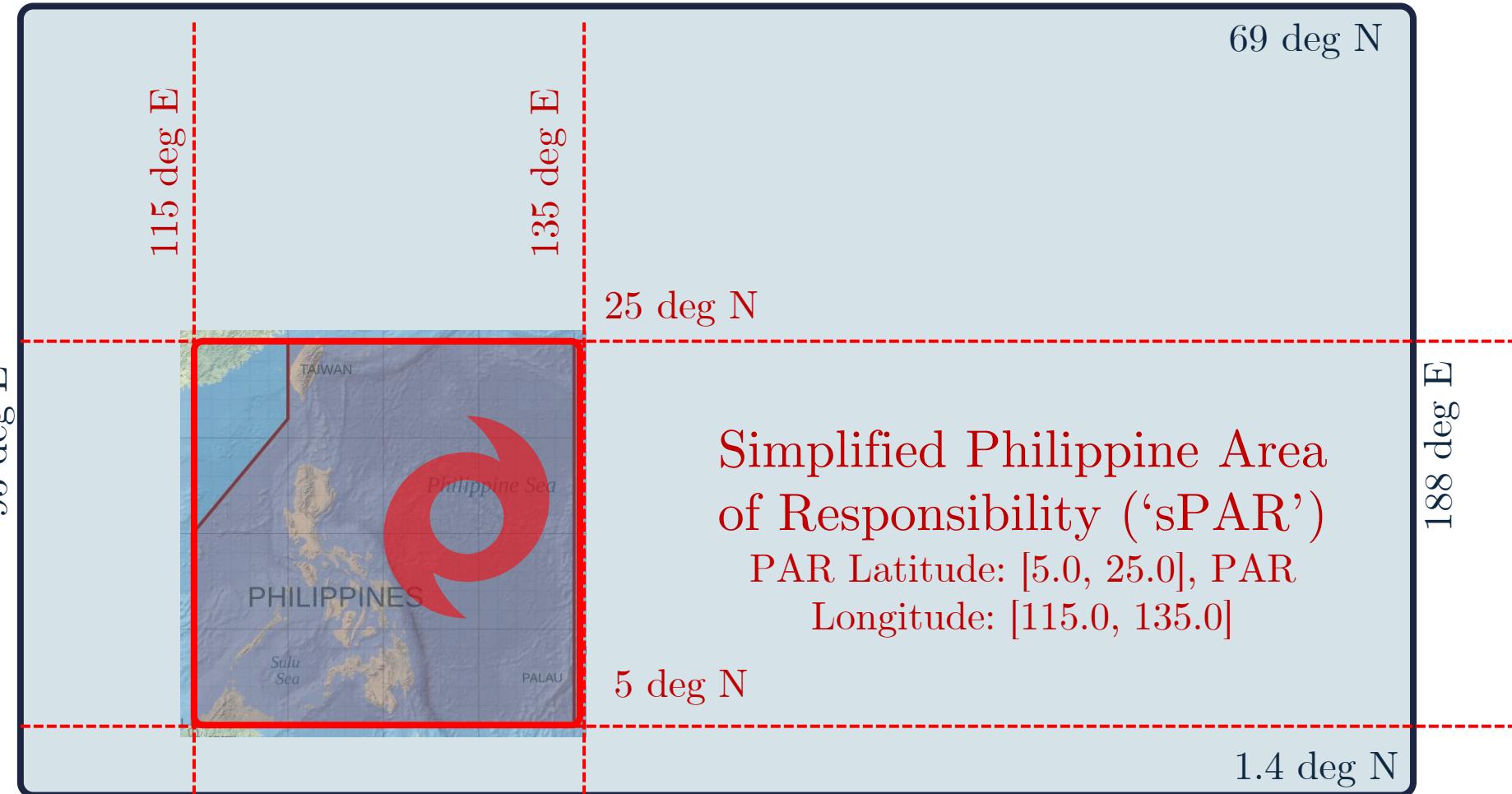


# Technical Details (PAR Filtering)

Data  
Transformation  
(Spatial Filtering)

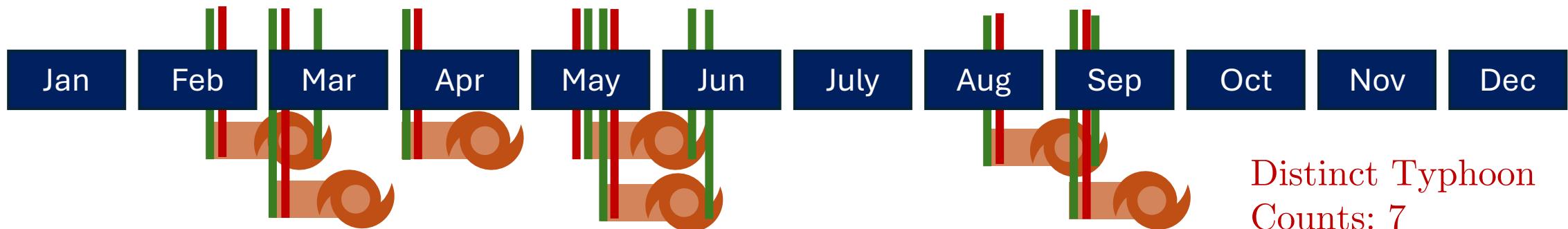
Philippine Area of  
Responsibility  
(PAR)

Point	Latitude	Longitude
a	5° N	115° E
b	15° N	115° E
c	21° N	120° E
d	25° N	120° E
e	25° N	135° E
f	5° N	135° E



# Distinct Typhoon Counts vs. Observation per Month

datatime	year	month	typhoon_obs	typhoon_ids
1951-04-01 00:00:00	1951	4	2	[np.int64(5103), np.int64(5104)]
1951-05-01 00:00:00	1951	5	1	[np.int64(5104)]
1951-06-01 00:00:00	1951	6	1	[np.int64(5106)]
1951-07-01 00:00:00	1951	7	3	[np.int64(5106), np.int64(5107), np.int64(5109)]
1951-08-01 00:00:00	1951	8	4	[np.int64(5109), np.int64(5110), np.int64(5111), np.int64(5112)]



Data Transformation  
(Observations to Count Data)

datatime	year	month	typhoon_obs	typhoon_counts
1951-04-01 00:00:00	1951	4	2	2
1951-05-01 00:00:00	1951	5	1	0
1951-06-01 00:00:00	1951	6	1	1
1951-07-01 00:00:00	1951	7	3	2
1951-08-01 00:00:00	1951	8	4	3

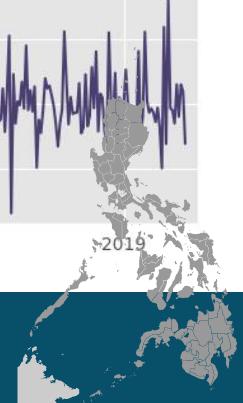
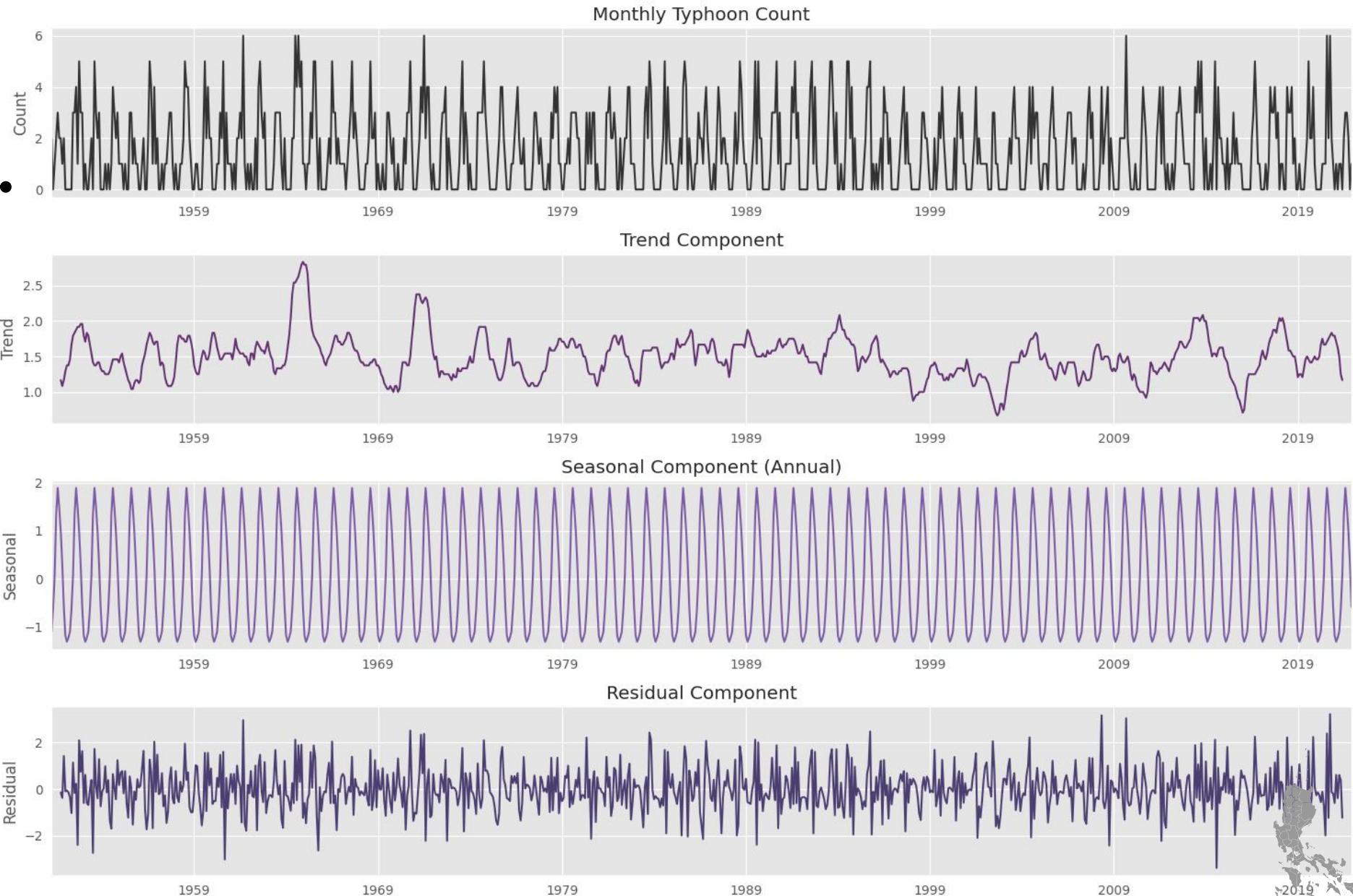
Observation per Month: 11



# Technical Details (Decomposition)



## Exploratory Data Analysis



# Feature Engineering

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Lags:  
[1,2,4,6]

Rolling  
Values:  
Mean, STD,  
Max, Sum:  
[6,12]

Temporal:  
Year  
Quarter  
Month

Cyclical  
Encoding:  
Year  
Half-Year  
Quarter  
Month

Binary  
Encoding:  
New  
typhoons  
[1,4,6]  
Total  
Typhoons  
[6,12]

Interaction  
Features:  
Month \*  
Rolling  
Mean at 12-  
month

	typhoon_count	lag_1	lag_2	lag_4	lag_6	rolling_mean_6	rolling_std_6	rolling_max_6	rolling_sum_6	rolling_mean_12
1952-03-01 00:00:00	0	0	0	1	2	0.833333	0.983192	2	5	1.25
1952-04-01 00:00:00	0	0	0	2	2	0.5	0.83666	2	3	1.08333
1952-05-01 00:00:00	0	0	0	0	1	0.333333	0.816497	2	2	1.08333
1952-06-01 00:00:00	3	0	0	0	2	0.5	1.22474	3	3	1.25
1952-07-01 00:00:00	3	3	0	0	0	1	1.54919	3	6	1.33333



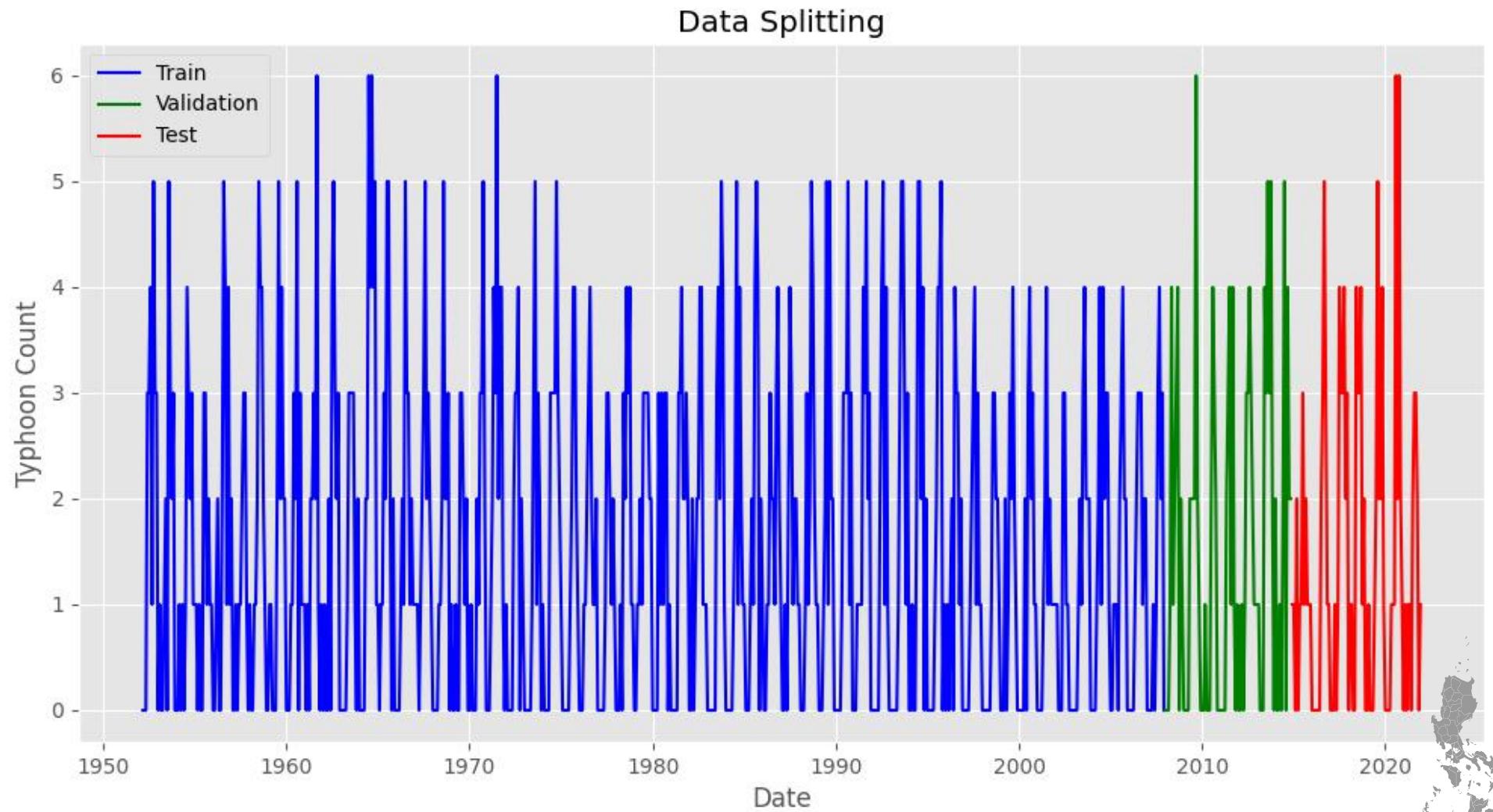
# Technical Details (Data Splitting)

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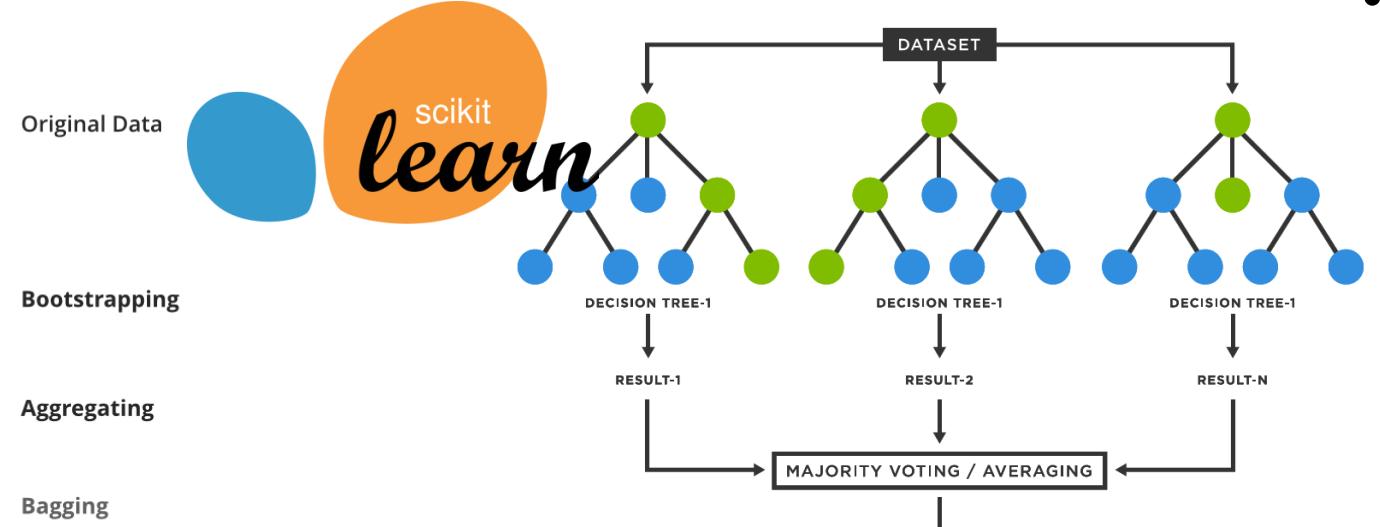
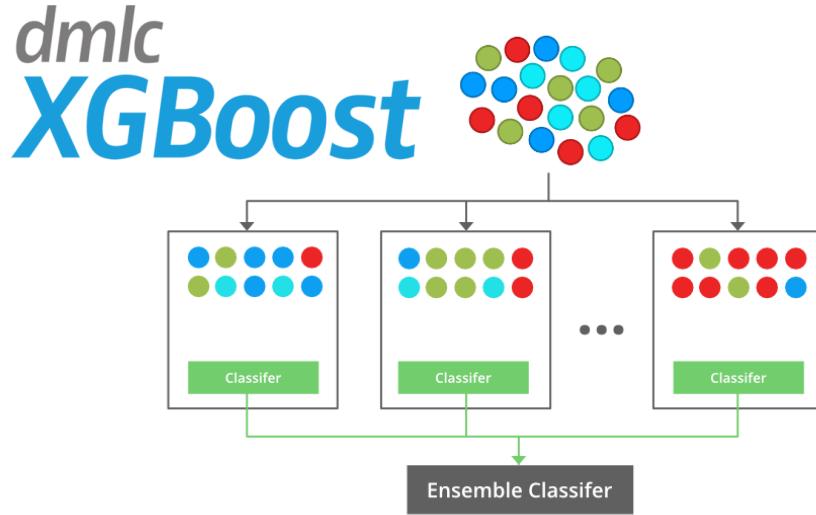
Train: 80%

Validation: 10%

Test: 10%



# Technical Details (Models Used)

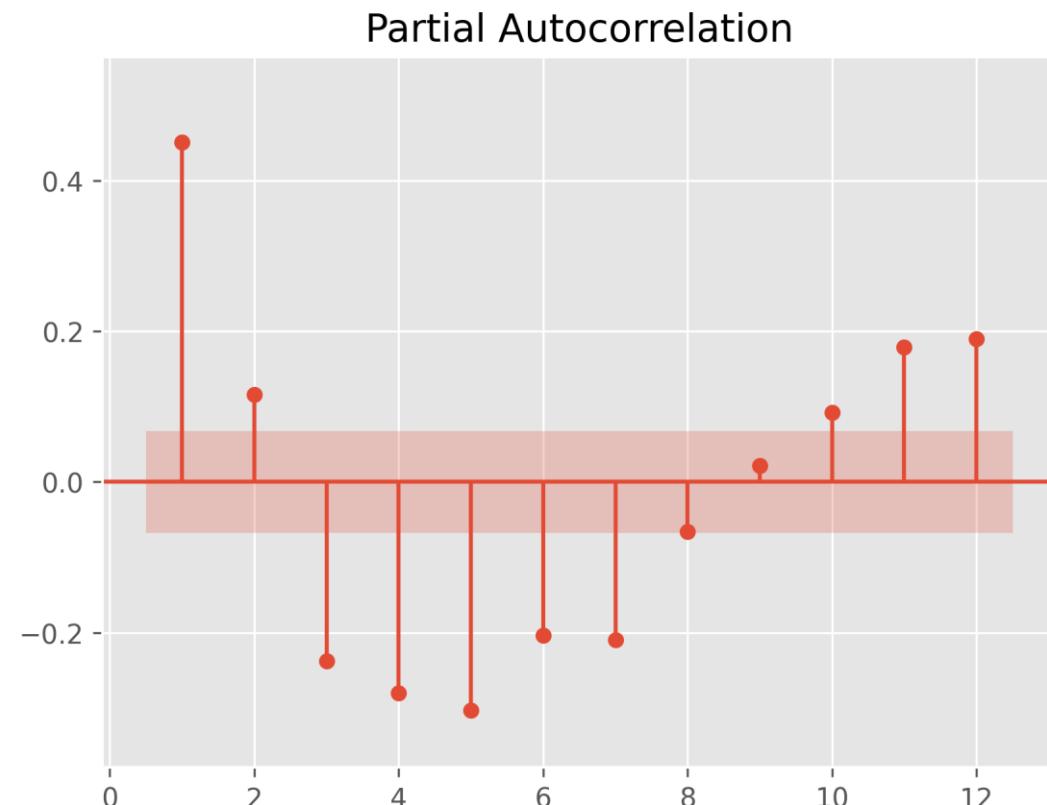
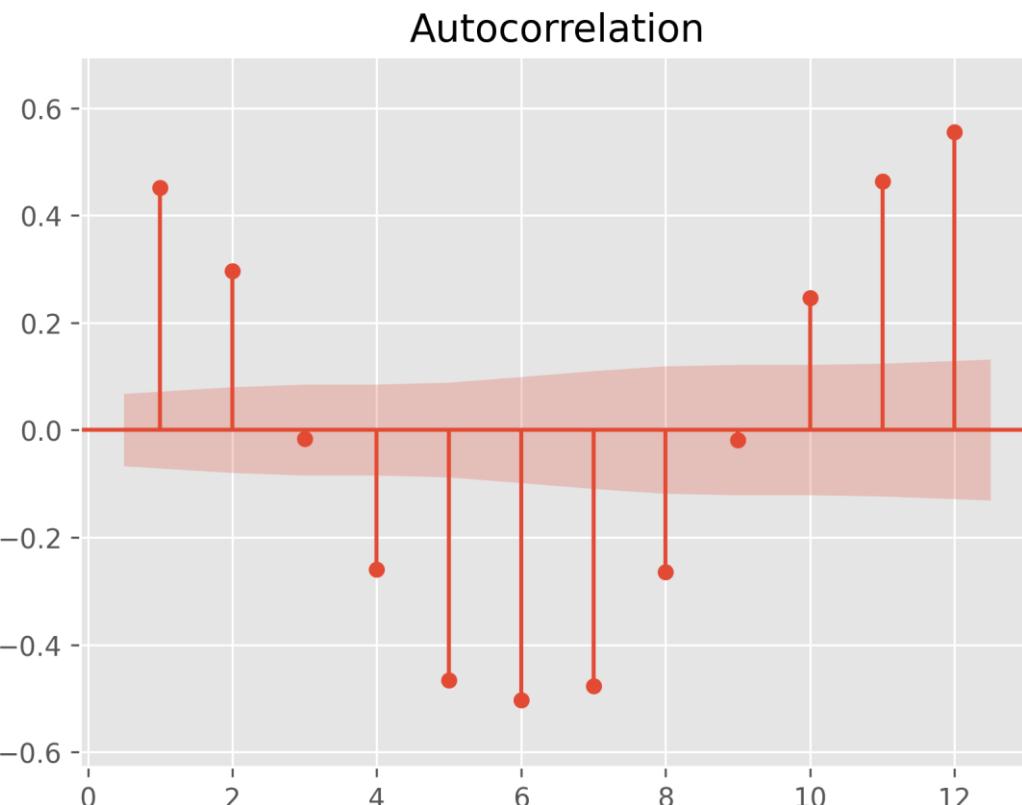


Additional: Moving Averages, Seasonal  
Naïve Method



# Technical Details (For SARIMAX: $(p,d,q)$ , $(P,D,Q,m)$ )

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# Technical Details (Model Evaluation on Validation Set)

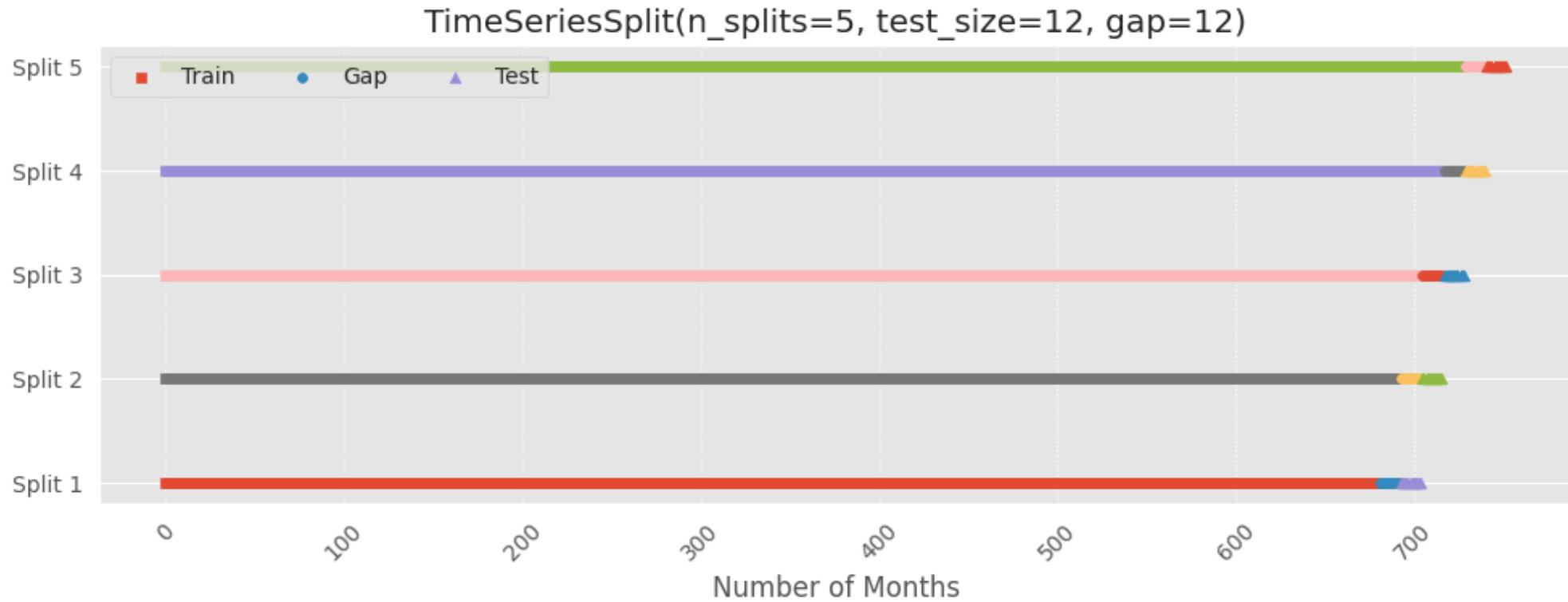
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Model	RMSE	MAE	MAPE (%)	R <sup>2</sup>	Poisson Dev
XGBoost	0.569	0.337	27.218	0.869	10.880
RandomForest	0.625	0.354	32.054	0.841	12.966
SARIMAX	1.146	0.812	47.396	0.468	53.987
ExpSmoothing	1.148	0.818	47.070	0.466	49.875
Prophet	1.169	0.816	50.476	0.446	53.558
SeasonalNaive	1.414	0.988	63.628	0.189	36.410
MovingAvg_2 months	1.618	1.199	66.683	-0.061	61.599

Metric: Lower is better for RMSE/MAE/MAPE/Poisson Dev;  
higher is better for R<sup>2</sup>



# Technical Details (Walk-Forward Validation)



Cross-Validation Results:			
	Model	CV_Mean_RMSE	CV_Std_RMSE
0	XGBoost	0.703829	0.300551
1	RandomForest	0.562857	0.168472
2	Prophet	1.070317	0.295922



# Technical Details (Test Set Evaluation)

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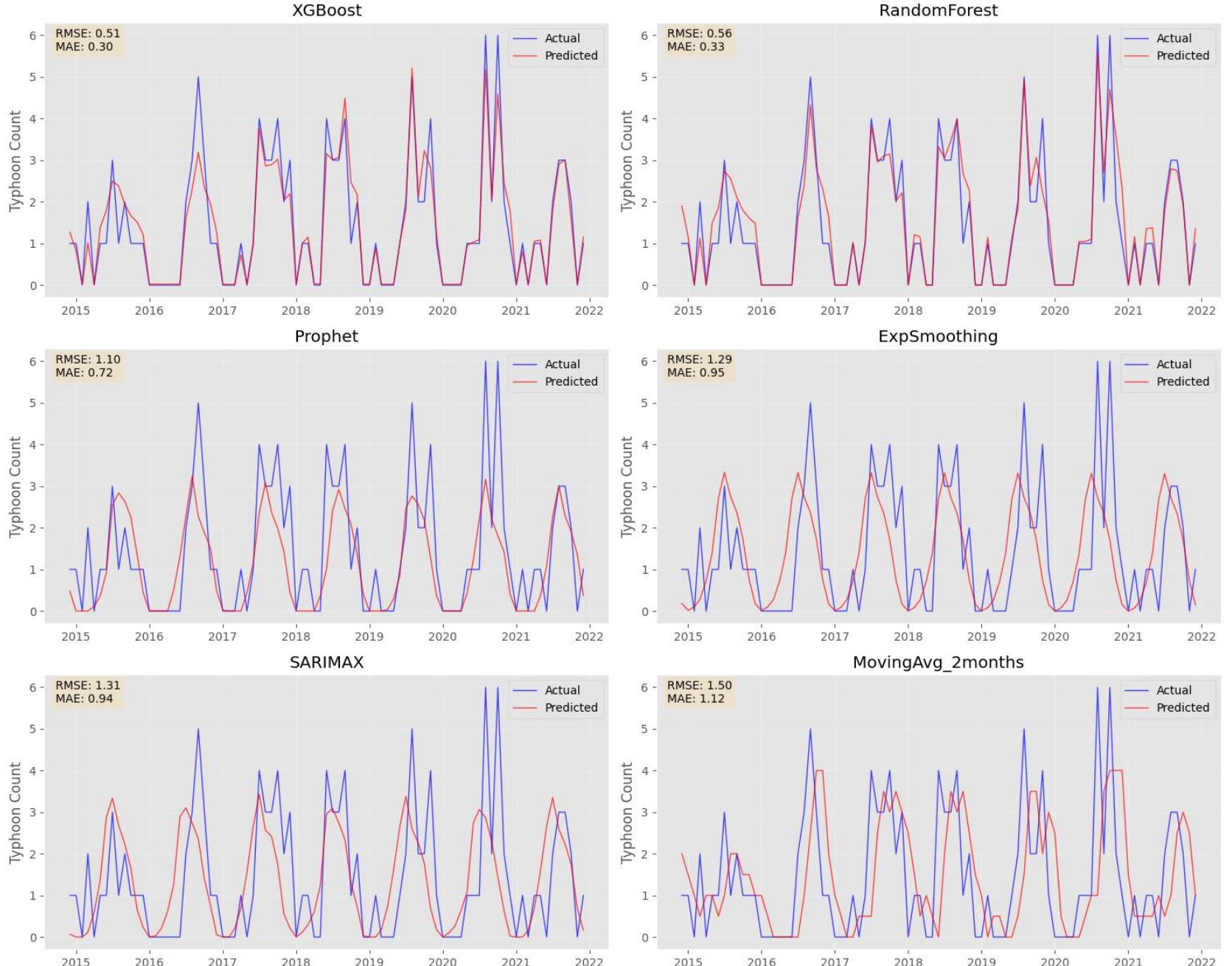
Model	RMSE	MAE	MAPE (%)	R <sup>2</sup>
XGBoost	0.507	0.298	24.962	0.885
RandomForest	0.558	0.334	32.871	0.861
Prophet	1.100	0.717	51.656	0.461
ExpSmoothing	1.293	0.953	63.949	0.256
SARIMAX	1.300	0.951	64.197	0.248
MovingAvg_2months	1.503	1.118	69.430	-0.006
SeasonalNaive	1.782	1.318	83.246	-0.414

**Metric: Lower is better for RMSE/MAE/MAPE; higher is better for R<sup>2</sup>**



# Model Validation

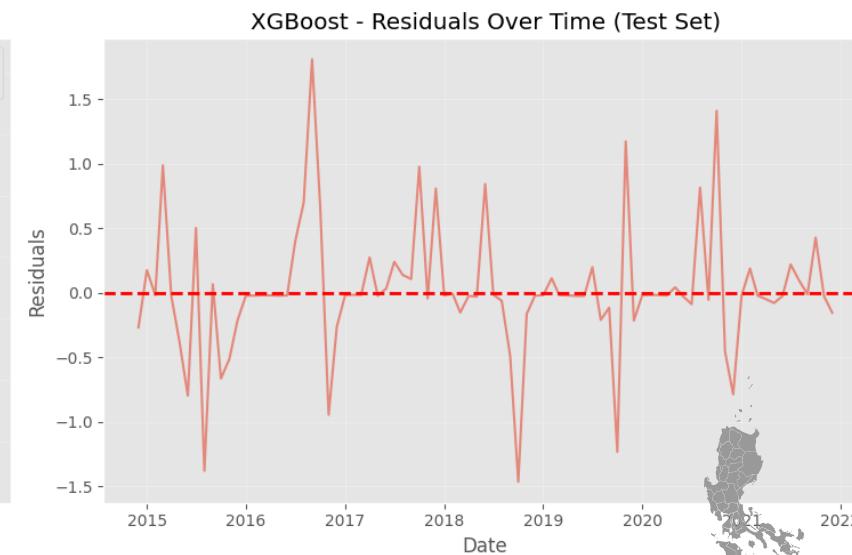
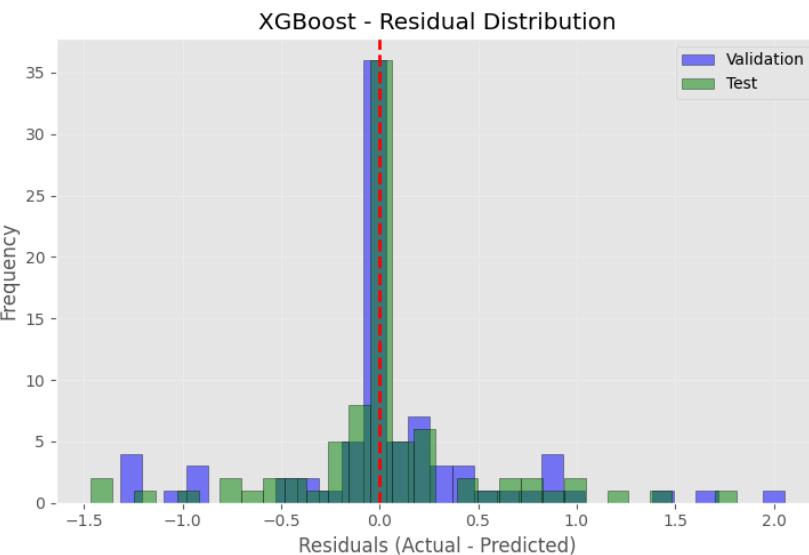
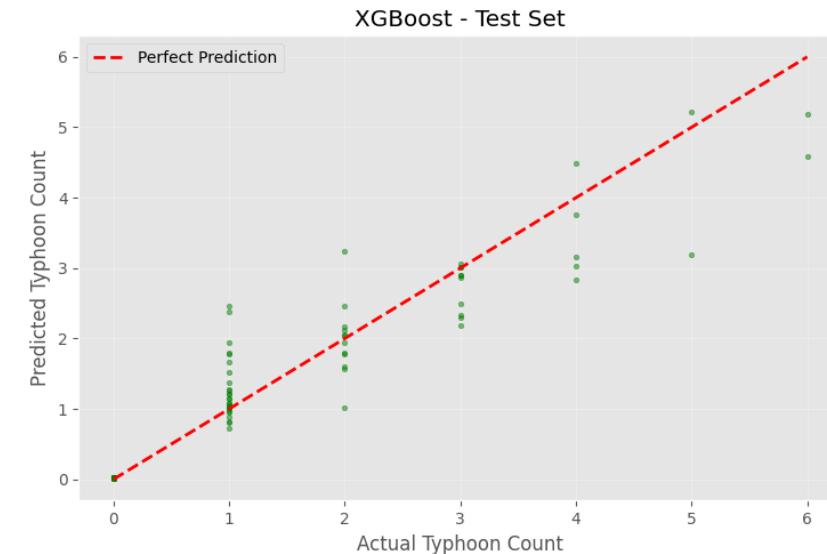
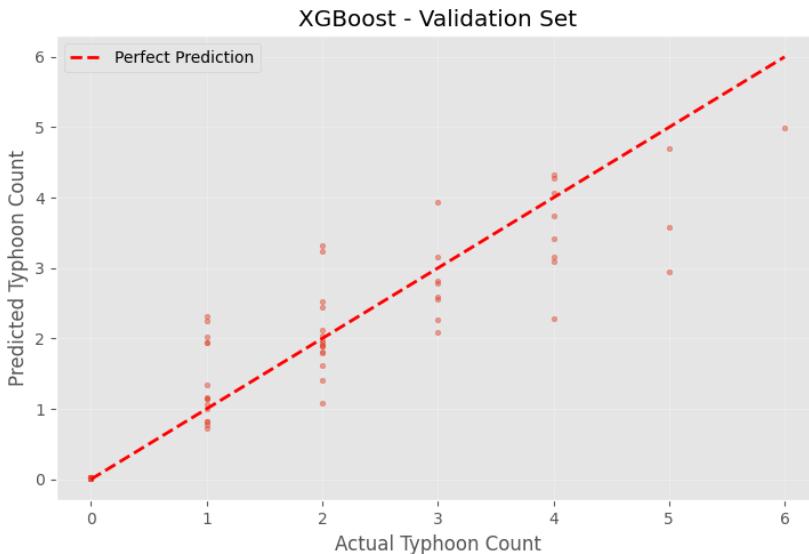
- XGBoost and Random Forest fits well (probably overfitting, need further tuning)
- Prophet, Exponential Smoothing, and SARIMAX captured the seasonality.
- 2-month Moving Average somehow captures the seasonality but not reliable.



# Model Analysis

XGBoost: Best Model

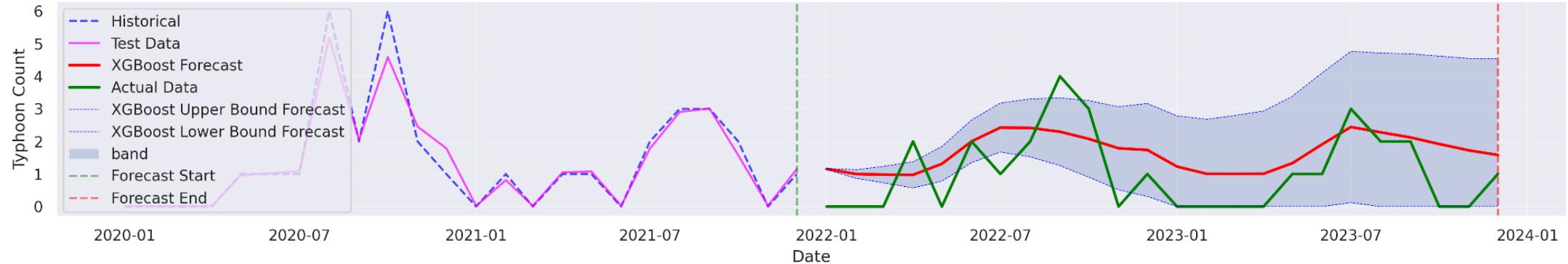
- Well distributed points along the 45-deg line, but with drifting at 4-6 counts
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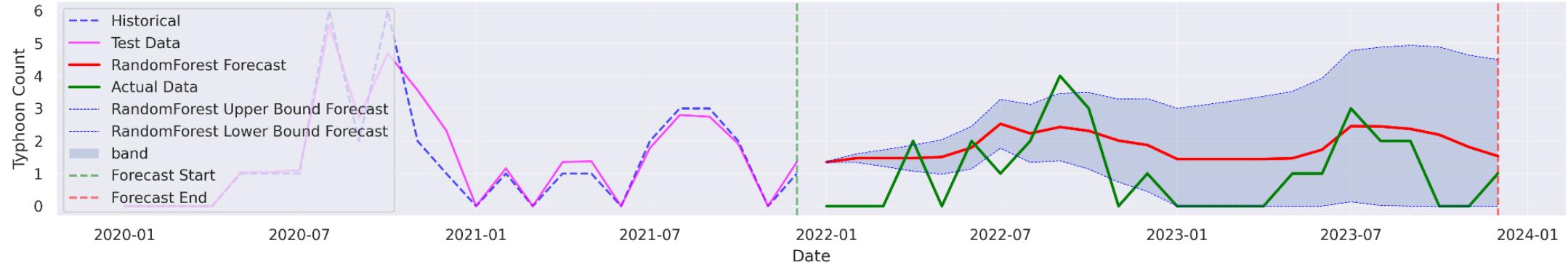
# Forecasting Across Models

Future Forecast Visualization

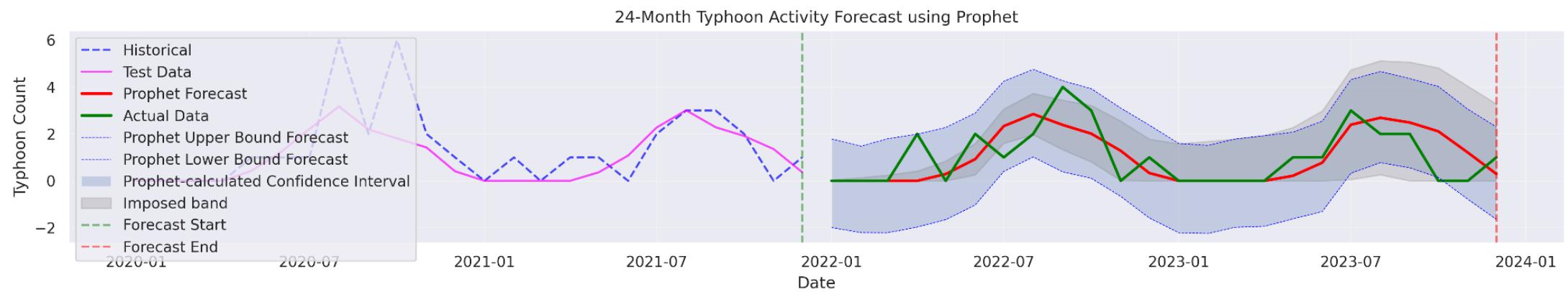
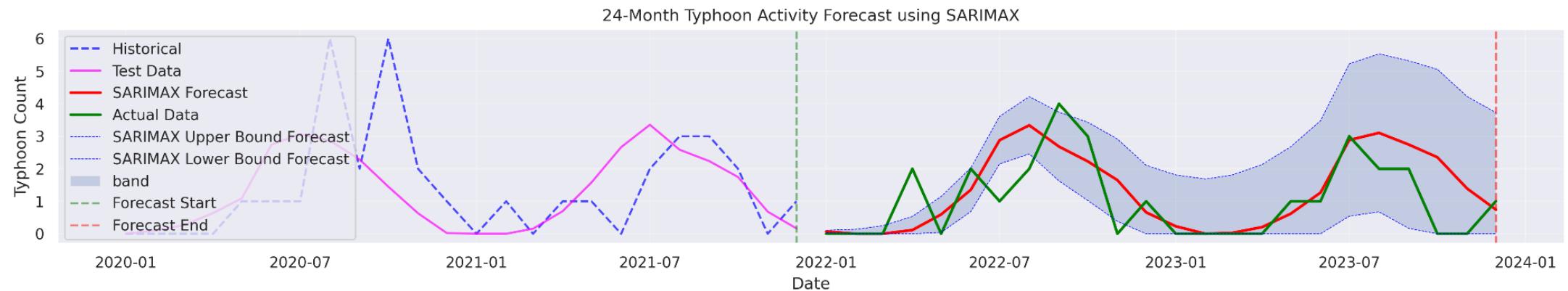
24-Month Typhoon Activity Forecast using XGBoost



24-Month Typhoon Activity Forecast using RandomForest

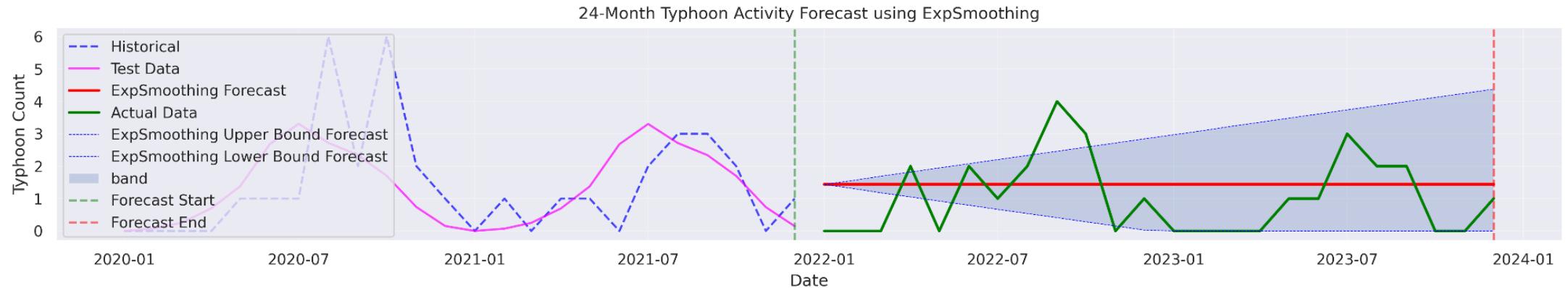


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Takeaways:

- SARIMAX and Prophet shows promising as forecasting model
- While XGBoost and Random Forest Regression tops the model validation, it decently perform in the forecasting task, but not as tight compared to classical or hybrid ones.
- For the Exponential Smoothing, the mean of test prediction was used to show its capability even if it's a simple forecasting method

