Project Name: Fitbit Time Series Project
Project Type: optional solo project

Project Goals:
Explore time series data and use time series algorithms to predict next 2 weeks of fitbit data
Construct a ML time series model that predicts next 2 weeks of data with accuracy better than baseline
Deliverables: Main Notebook of Pipeline process with summary and conclusions, csv of next 2 weeks data

Stage	Tools	Brief Description of Process	Challenge Resolution
Plan	• Visual Studio	• In Visual Studio create a new readme.md file to outline project plan, create GitHub repo • Import key elements and deliverables from curriculum requirements	• No unusual challenges in this section
Acquire	• Visual Studio • Google Sheets • .py script	• Data received in csv files included multiple tables in one sheet and separate files for each week • Used Google Sheets to initially investigate and rearrange data into one csv file for analysis	• Once I realized the set up of the csv files were the issue resolving that using spreadsheet program was not an issue • Decided not to use a programmatic approach for this one off issue
Prepare	• Google Sheets • Jupyter Notebook	• Prepared data formats in spreadsheet as well as column names and titles • Condensed data into one table for import into pandas	• No unusual challenges in this section
Explore	• Jupyter Notebook • Seaborn	• Used pandas time series resampling and plotting features to investigate data • Did not find a seasonal/cyclic trend in the	• Used examples from lessons

	• Matplotlib	data • Did find a slight upward linear trend	
Model	• Jupyter Notebook • Sklearn • Multiple ML models tested	• Used last observed, and simple average models to determine a baseline (selected simple average as baseline to beat). • Used rolling average and Holts models for predictions • Unable to use previous cycle because data did not contain a cycle	• Used examples from lessons
Evaluate	• Jupyter Notebook • Sklearn	• Determined rolling average was most accurate based on least RMSE • Using 7 day rolling average produced model that was 28% better than simple average baseline	• Used examples from lessons
Model Explanation	**How does your algorithm work?**	• The rolling average takes the average over the period specified moving the window one increment at a time	• No unusual challenges in this section
Delivery	• Jupyter Notebook	• Added anchor link to jump to conclusions at bottom, also utilized Table of Contents to organize and jump to sections	• No unusual challenges in this section