Term Project Proposal - Aaron Yang

Dataset Overview

The selected dataset for the term project is titled **'Urban Traffic Density in Cities'**, sourced from <u>Kaggle</u>. This dataset offers an in-depth perspective on traffic dynamics within futuristic urban settings. With over 1.2 million records (exactly 1,219,567 rows and 11 columns), it provides a rich resource for exploring the complexities of urban traffic patterns.

Justification for Dataset Selection

This dataset presents a captivating opportunity for data visualization due to its multifaceted nature and real-world relevance. By visualizing various aspects of traffic data, we can uncover insights crucial for urban planning, transportation management, and environmental sustainability.

Important Features for Static Plots

- **City-wise Traffic Comparison**: Utilizing bar charts to compare traffic density across different cities, highlighting variations based on time, weather conditions, and economic factors.
- **Hourly Traffic Trends**: Line plots can effectively showcase the fluctuation of traffic density throughout the day, revealing peak hours and identifying potential correlations with weather conditions.
- **Impact of Random Events**: Pie charts or stacked bar plots can illustrate the distribution of traffic disruptions caused by random events, aiding in understanding their influence on overall traffic patterns.
- **Vehicle Type Analysis**: Grouped bar charts can visualize the distribution of different vehicle types within the urban traffic ecosystem, offering insights into energy consumption and traffic flow efficiency.

Interactive Dashboard Features

Static Plots Integration

Users can select specific cities, time frames, and variables of interest to dynamically update the visualizations.

Dynamic Filtering and Sorting

The dashboard will feature interactive dropdown menus and sliders for filtering and sorting the data based on various parameters such as city, time, weather conditions, and economic factors. This functionality enhances user engagement and facilitates focused exploration of specific data subsets.

| Number | Feature | Data Type |
|--------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | City | Object, Categorical Data |
| 2 | Vehicle Type | Object, Categorical Data |
| 3 | Weather | Object, Categorical Data |
| 4 | Economic Condition | Object, Categorical Data |
| 5 | Day of Week | Object, Categorical Data |
| 6 | Hour of Day | Numerical Data/Categorical Data |
| 7 | Speed | Numerical Data |
| 8 | Is Peak Hour | Categorical Data |
| 9 | Random Event Occurred | Categorical Data |
| 10 | Energy Consumption | Numerical Data |
| 11 | Traffic Density | Numerical Data |