# FLIGHTS ANALYTICS DASHBOARD

**PROJECT:** Airline Flight Delay Dataset: Filtering and Grouping Operations.

**PROBLEM STATEMENT:** An airline company maintains flight records including departure/arrival times and delays. The dataset contains delays caused by weather, airline operations, or technical issues. The HR Analytics team needs to analyze delays by filtering and grouping operations using Pandas (no visualization).

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#### 1.INTRODUCTION

The Flight Analytics Dashboard project aims to provide airline analysts, airport authorities, and passengers with a centralized platform for analyzing flight performance. The system will enable users to:

- Understand patterns of delays and cancellations.
- Identify top-performing airlines and airports.
- Track seasonal and weather-related impacts on flights.
- Make data-driven decisions to improve efficiency.

#### 2.PROJECT OVERVIEW

The **Flight Analytics Dashboard** is a web-based application designed to analyze and visualize flight data, focusing on delays, cancellations, and overall flight performance. With the rapid increase in air travel, there is a growing need for tools that can help airlines, airports, and passengers gain insights into flight operations. This project aims to bridge that gap by providing an interactive and user-friendly dashboard.

The system collects and processes historical and real-time flight datasets, enabling users to explore flight patterns and trends. By leveraging powerful data analytics libraries such as **Pandas**, **Flask** the dashboard presents complex flight information in the form of **summary statistics/tables** with a **bootstrap-based front end**.

#### 3.DATASET DESCRIPTION

The dataset used in this project is named **flights.csv**, which contains detailed records of flight operations. It is a **comma-separated values (CSV) file** that is loaded into the system using the **Pandas library** in Python for further analysis and visualization.

#### 3.1 File Details

• File Name: flights.csv

• Format: CSV (Comma-Separated Values)

- Loading Method: pandas.read\_csv("flights.csv")
- **Size:** The dataset may range from thousands to millions of rows depending on the records included.
- **Usage:** Primary data source for all analytics in the Flight Analytics Dashboard.

#### 4. TECHNOLOGY USAGE IN THE PROJECT

#### 4.1. FLASK Usage

Flask is a **lightweight Python web framework** used as the backend for the **Flight Analytics Dashboard**. It provides routing, request handling, and integration with data analysis modules.

#### **Role of Flask in the Project:**

- Acts as the **backend server** to handle requests and responses.
- Connects the frontend (dashboard UI) with the data analytics logic (Pandas).
- Provides REST APIs for data access (e.g., flight delays, cancellations, and summary statistics).
- Manages file uploads (CSV datasets like flights.csv) and integrates them with Pandas for analysis

#### 4.2. Frontend Technologies Used

**Bootstrap:** Bootstrap is an open-source CSS framework that provides pre-styled components, grid systems, and responsive layouts. In this project, Bootstrap was used to design a **clean and responsive dashboard interface**.

**Jinja2 Templates:** Jinja2 is the default templating engine for Flask. It allows embedding Python-like expressions directly inside **HTML** 

# 4.3. Thunder Client Usage

Thunder Client is a **Visual Studio Code (VS Code) extension** used for testing APIs in a simple and lightweight way (similar to Postman).

#### **Role of Thunder Client in the Project:**

- Helps in **testing REST APIs** built with Flask without needing to run the entire frontend.
- Allows sending GET, POST, PUT, DELETE requests to check API endpoints.
- Provides an easy interface to check responses in JSON/HTML format.
- Validates the API output for uploaded datasets (e.g., verifying if /api/delays returns the correct delay statistics)
- Speeds up debugging and development by testing API endpoints directly inside
   VS Code.

#### **5.FEATURES IMPLEMENTED**

As part of the Flight Analytics Dashboard, the following data processing and analysis tasks were carried out on the dataset flights.csv using Python (Pandas):

#### 5.1. Data Cleaning and Exploration

- The dataset was checked for missing values and duplicate records to ensure accuracy of analysis.
- Date and time-related columns (such as Scheduled\_Departure, Actual\_Departure, Scheduled\_Arrival, Actual\_Arrival) were converted into standard datetime formats for consistency.
- Outliers and invalid records (e.g., negative delay times) were handled appropriately to maintain data quality.

### 5.2. Filtering Operations

- Extracted all flights delayed by more than 30 minutes to study significant delays.
- Implemented filters to analyze flights operated by specific airlines.
- Retrieved flight records based on departure airport to study airportspecific performance.

# 5.3. Grouping and Aggregation Operations

- By Airline: Computed average delay times and total number of flights for each airline to compare performance.
- By Origin Airport: Calculated total flights and percentage of delayed flights for each airport.
- By Date: Derived daily average delay trends to analyze seasonal and date-wise variations.
- Top Routes: Identified the Top 5 Origin–Destination routes with the highest average delay, providing insight into problematic routes.

#### 5.4. Exporting Processed Results

- Final summarized datasets were exported into CSV files for further use in reporting and visualization.
- These CSV summaries act as cleaned and preprocessed datasets that can be directly loaded into the dashboard for generating charts and reports.

#### 6. TECHNICAL OVERVIEW

The **Flight Analytics Dashboard** is developed using a **modular architecture** that integrates the frontend, backend, and dataset seamlessly. Each component has a distinct role in the overall system.

#### 6.1. Frontend (User Interface Layer)

- Built using HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, and Jinja2 templates.
- Provides a dashboard-style layout with:
  - Sidebar navigation (Dashboard, Upload Data, Reports).
  - Data upload form for flights.csv.
  - Tables and charts to display processed results.
- Bootstrap ensures the interface is responsive across devices.
- **Jinja2 templating** allows dynamic integration of Python/Flask results into HTML pages (e.g., showing filtered flight data or grouped summaries).
- Users interact with the system through this layer.

#### 6.2. Backend (Application & Processing Layer)

- Implemented using Python and the Flask web framework.
- Key responsibilities:
  - Handle file uploads (accept flights.csv).
  - Process dataset using **Pandas** (cleaning, filtering, grouping, aggregation).
  - Integrate business logic such as identifying delayed flights, top routes, and average delays.
- Thunder Client (VS Code extension) was used to test and validate the backend APIs.
- Backend acts as the bridge between dataset and frontend.

#### 6.3. Dataset (Data Layer)

- Dataset used: flights.csv
- Format: CSV file loaded using Pandas.
- Contains flight records with attributes such as:
  - Flight ID, Airline, Origin Airport, Destination Airport, Departure
     Time, Arrival Time, Delay, etc.
- Dataset preprocessing steps:
  - Check and handle missing/duplicate records.
  - Extract meaningful subsets (e.g., flights delayed > 30 minutes).
- Processed outputs are saved as summary CSV files, which can be reused and downloaded by the user.

#### 7. SYSTEM FEATURES

# 7.1 Airline Summary

- Shows average delay, total flights by airline.
- Accessible via /summary/airline/table and /summary/airline/json.

#### **7.2 Airport Summary**

- Summarizes flights from and to each airport.
- · Accessible via /summary/airport/table.

### 7.3 Route Summary

- Groups flights by origin-destination route.
- Accessible via /summary/route/table.

#### 7.4 Date Summary

- Shows daily average delay grouped by date.
- Accessible via /summary/date/table.

## 7.5 Flights by Airport

- List flights from a specific airport.
- Available in both JSON and table format.

#### 7.6 Flights by Airline

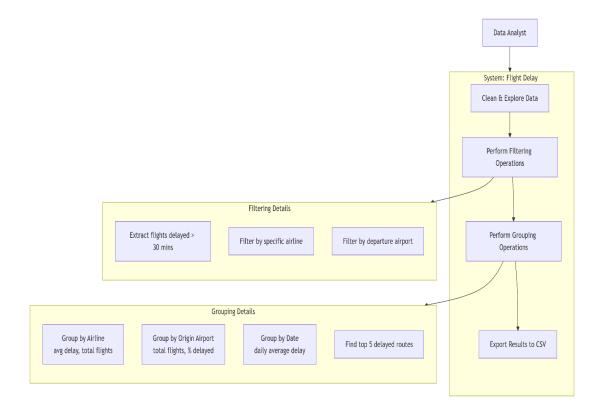
- Lists all flights operated by a specific airline.
- Accessible via:
  - o /flights/from\_airline/<airline>/table

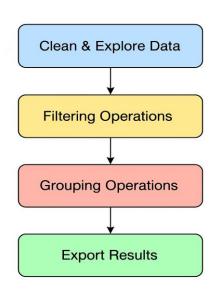
# 7.7 Delayed Flights

- Displays flights with delays beyond the scheduled time.
- Accessible via:
  - /flights/delayed/table
  - o /flights/delayed/json

#### **8.UML DIAGRAMS:**

# **USE CASE AND FLOW DIAGRAM**





#### 9.DESIGN

#### 9.1. PROJECT STRUCTURE:

#### 9.2. CODE AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### APP.PY

```
from flask import Flask, render_template, request, send_file, jsonify
import flight_analysis as fa
import os

app = Flask(__name__)

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@app.route("/")
   airlines = sorted(fa.data["Airline"].unique())
airports = sorted(fa.data["OriginAirport"].unique())
return render_template("index.html", airlines=airlines, airports=airports)
@app.route("/flights/delayed/table")
def delayed_table():
   df = fa.delayed_flights()
return render_template("table.html", title="Delayed Flights (>30 min)", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
@app.route("/flights/from_airport", methods=["POST"])
def flights_from_airport():
    airport = request.form.get("airport")
    df = fa.flights_from_airport(airport)
    return render_template("table.html", title=f"Flights from {airport}", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
@app.route("/flights/by_airline", methods=["POST"])
def flights_by_airline():
    airline = request.form.get("airline")
    df = fa.flights_by_airline(airline)
    return render_template("table.html", title=f"Flights by {airline}", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
    (orient="records"))
```

This code defines a **Flask web application** for a Flight Analytics Dashboard. It:

- Loads airlines and airports into the homepage (index.html).
- Provides routes to display tables for:
  - Delayed flights (>30 min).
  - Flights from a specific airport (via form input).
  - Flights by a specific airline (via form input).

```
@app.route("/summary/airline/table")
def airline_summary_table():
    df = fa.airline_summary()
    return render_template("table.html", title="Airline Summary", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
    (orient="records"))
@app.route("/summary/airport/table")
def airport_summary_table():
    df = fa.airport_summary()
    return render_template("table.html", title="Airport Summary", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
    (orient="records"))
@app.route("/summary/route/table")
def route_summary_table():
    df = fa.route_summary()
    return render_template("table.html", title="Top 5 Delayed Routes", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
@app.route("/summary/date/table")
def date_summary_table():
    df = fa.date_summary()
    return render_template("table.html", title="Daily Summary", columns=df.columns, data=df.to_dict
    (orient="records"))
```

This code defines **Flask routes to display summary tables** in the Flight Analytics Dashboard. It:

- Shows airline-wise summary, airport-wise summary, top 5 delayed routes, and daily flight summary.
- Uses functions from flight\_analysis.py to generate the data.

# This code defines **API routes** that return **flight summary data in JSON format**. It:

- Provides airline, airport, top delayed routes, and daily summaries as
   JSON responses.
- Uses flight\_analysis.py functions to generate the data.

```
-- SUMMARIES (JSON API for ThunderClient)
@app.route("/summary/airline/json")
def airline_summary_json():
   df = fa.airline_summary()
    return jsonify(df.to_dict(orient="records"))
@app.route("/summary/airport/json")
def airport_summary_json():
   df = fa.airport_summary()
    return jsonify(df.to_dict(orient="records"))
@app.route("/summary/route/json")
def route_summary_json():
   df = fa.route_summary()
   return jsonify(df.to_dict(orient="records"))
@app.route("/summary/date/json")
def date_summary_json():
   df = fa.date_summary()
    return jsonify(df.to_dict(orient="records"))
```

# This code defines **Flask routes to export flight summary data as CSV files**. It:

- Generates airline, airport, top delayed routes, and daily summaries using flight\_analysis.py.
- Saves the CSV files in an **exports** folder (created if it doesn't exist).
- Sends the CSV files to the user as downloadable attachments via the browser.

```
# ----- EXPORTS (CSV) -------
@app.route("/export/airline_summary")
def export_airline_summary():
    df = fa.airline_summary()
   os.makedirs("exports", exist_ok=True)
    path = "exports/airline summary.csv"
    df.to_csv(path, index=False)
    return send_file(path, as_attachment=True)
@app.route("/export/airport_summary")
def export_airport_summary():
   df = fa.airport_summary()
   os.makedirs("exports", exist_ok=True)
   path = "exports/airport_summary.csv"
   df.to_csv(path, index=False)
    return send_file(path, as_attachment=True)
@app.route("/export/route_summary")
def export_route_summary():
    df = fa.route_summary()
   os.makedirs("exports", exist_ok=True)
    path = "exports/route_summary.csv"
   df.to_csv(path, index=False)
    return send_file(path, as_attachment=True)
@app.route("/export/date_summary")
def export_date_summary():
    df = fa.date_summary()
    os.makedirs("exports", exist_ok=True)
    path = "exports/date_summary.csv"
   df.to_csv(path, index=False)
    return send_file(path, as_attachment=True)
```

#### **FLIGHTS ANALYSIS.PY**

This code defines **data filtering functions** using **Pandas** on the flights.csv dataset. It:

- Loads the dataset once into a DataFrame.
- Provides functions to extract:
  - Flights delayed more than 30 minutes.
  - Flights departing from a specific airport.
  - Flights operated by a specific airline.

```
🕏 flight_analysis.py > 🛇 airline_summary
          ----- GROUPING -----
     def airline_summary():
          grouped = data.groupby("Airline").agg(
              AverageDepartureDelay=("DepartureDelay", "mean"),
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             AverageArrivalDelay=("ArrivalDelay", "mean"),
             TotalFlights=("FlightID", "count")
          ).reset_index()
          grouped["AverageDelay"] = (grouped["AverageDepartureDelay"] + grouped["AverageArrivalDelay"]) / 2
          return grouped[["Airline", "AverageDelay", "TotalFlights"]]
     def airport_summary():
          total = data.groupby("OriginAirport")["FlightID"].count().reset index()
          delayed = data[data["DepartureDelay"] > 30].groupby("OriginAirport")["FlightID"].count().reset_index()
         merged = pd.merge(total, delayed, on="OriginAirport", how="left").fillna(0)
          merged["PercentDelayed"] = (merged["FlightID_y"] / merged["FlightID_x"]) * 100
          return merged.rename(columns={"FlightID_x": "TotalFlights", "FlightID_y": "DelayedFlights"})
     def route_summary():
          grouped = data.groupby(["OriginAirport", "DestinationAirport"]).agg(
              AverageDepartureDelay=("DepartureDelay", "mean"),
             AverageArrivalDelay=("ArrivalDelay", "mean"),
              TotalFlights=("FlightID", "count")
          ).reset_index()
          grouped["AverageDelay"] = (grouped["AverageDepartureDelay"] + grouped["AverageArrivalDelay"]) / 2
          top5 = grouped.sort_values(by="AverageDelay", ascending=False).head(5)
```

This code defines **data aggregation functions** using **Pandas** on the flights.csv dataset. It:

- airline\_summary() → Calculates average departure & arrival delays and total flights per airline.
- airport\_summary() → Calculates total flights, delayed flights, and percentage of delays per origin airport.
- route\_summary() → Calculates average delays and total flights per route and returns the top 5 routes with highest average delay.
- date\_summary() → Aggregates flight data by date to calculate metrics such as:
  - -> Total flights per day
  - -> Average departure and arrival delays per day.

# 10.OUTPUTS (SCREENSHOTS OF BOTH JSON AND BROWSER)

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/summary/airline/json

```
Response Headers 5 Cookies Results Docs

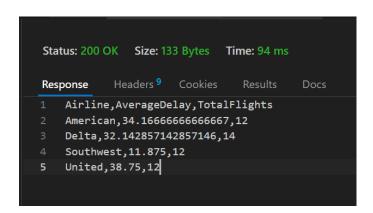
1 [
2 {
3     "Airline": "American",
4     "AverageDelay": 34.16666666666667,
5     "TotalFlights": 12
6     },
7     {
8         "Airline": "Delta",
9         "AverageDelay": 32.142857142857146,
10     "TotalFlights": 14
11     },
12     {
13         "Airline": "Southwest",
14         "AverageDelay": 11.875,
15         "TotalFlights": 12
16     },
17     {
18         "Airline": "United",
19         "AverageDelay": 38.75,
20         "TotalFlights": 12
21     }
22     ]

Response
```

The output represents average flight delays by airline. It shows, for each airline:

- The average delay across all flights.
- The total number of flights considered.

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/export/airline\_summary



The output shows average flight delays by airline. For each airline, it lists:

- Average delay across all flights
- · Total number of flights considered

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/summary/date/json

```
Status: 200 OK
                                                                                                 Size: 2.03 KB Time: 70 ms
                                                                Headers <sup>5</sup> Cookies Results Docs
Response
                                                  {
    "AverageDelay": 30.0,
    "and all entire the second of the second
                                                                "Date": "2023-01-05",
                                                                 "TotalFlights": 2
                                                 {
"AverageDelay": 27.5,
                                                                "Date": "2023-01-06",
                                                               "TotalFlights": 2
                                              {
    "AverageDelay": 15.0,
                                                               "Date": "2023-01-07",
                                                                "TotalFlights": 2
                                           },
{
    "AverageDelay": 47.5,
    "Date": "2023-01-08",
                                                               "TotalFlights": 2
                                                                "AverageDelay": 45.0,
                                                                 "Date": "2023-01-09",
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      Response
```

The output represents daily average flight delays over a period of time. It shows, for each day:

- The average delay of all flights that day.
- The total number of flights considered.
- The date corresponding to those flights.

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/export/airport\_summary

The output represents flight delay statistics by origin airport.

- ->The total number of flights.
- ->The number of delayed flights.
- -> The percentage of flights delayed.

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/summary/airport/json

The output shows flight delay details by origin airport.

For each airport, it lists:

- Total flights
- Number of delayed flights
- · Percentage of delayed flights

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/export/route\_summary

```
Status: 200 OK Size: 153 Bytes Time: 58 ms

Response Headers 9 Cookies Results Docs {} =

1 OriginAirport, DestinationAirport, AverageDelay, TotalFlights
2 LAX, JFK, 89.1666666666666667,3
3 SFO, JFK, 72.5,2
4 JFK, MIA, 62.5,1
5 LAX, SEA, 57.5,1
6 LAX, ATL, 52.5,1
```

The output represents average flight delays by route.

For each route, it shows:

- · Origin and destination airports
- Average delay for flights on that route
- Total number of flights considered

#### http://127.0.0.1:5000/summary/route/json

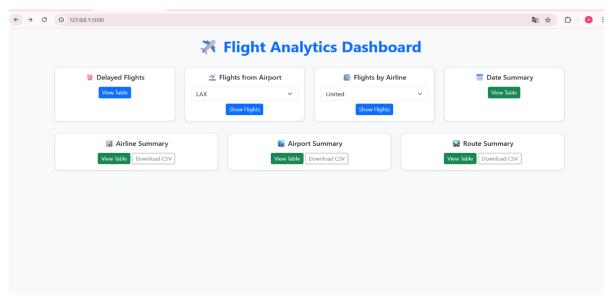
```
Status: 200 OK Size: 606 Bytes Time: 37 ms
           Headers <sup>5</sup> Cookies
Response
         "AverageDelay": 89.1666666666667,
         "DestinationAirport": "JFK",
         "OriginAirport": "LAX",
         "TotalFlights": 3
         "AverageDelay": 72.5,
         "DestinationAirport": "JFK",
         "OriginAirport": "SFO",
         "TotalFlights": 2
         "AverageDelay": 62.5,
         "DestinationAirport": "MIA",
         "OriginAirport": "JFK",
         "TotalFlights": 1
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       },
         "AverageDelay": 57.5,
         "DestinationAirport": "SEA",
         "OriginAirport": "LAX",
         "TotalFlights": 1
```

The output shows average flight delays for specific routes.

For each route, it provides:

- Origin and destination airports
- · Average delay of flights on that route
- · Total number of flights considered

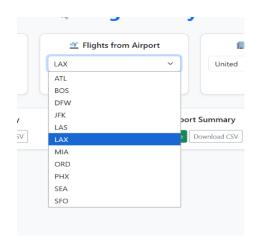
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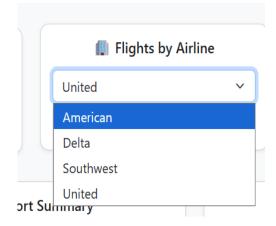


#### WEBPAGE DASHBOARD INTERFACE

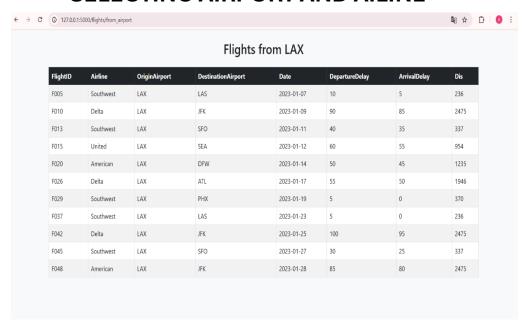


**DELAYED FLIGHTS INTERFACE** 





## **SELECTING AIRPORT AND AILINE**



# **AIRLINE SUMMARY**



Top 5 Delayed Routes

OriginAirport	DestinationAirport	AverageDelay	TotalFlights
LAX	JFK	89.16666666666667	3
SFO	JFK	72.5	2
JFK	MIA	62.5	1
LAX	SEA	57.5	1
LAX	ATL	52.5	1

# **TOP 5 DELAYED ROUTES INTERFACE**

# **Daily Summary**

Date	AverageDelay	TotalFlights
2023-01-05	30.0	2
2023-01-06	27.5	2
2023-01-07	15.0	2
2023-01-08	47.5	2
2023-01-09	45.0	2
2023-01-10	20.0	2
2023-01-11	15.0	2
2023-01-12	40.0	2
2023-01-13	16.25	2
2023-01-14	35.0	2
2023-01-15	7.5	2
2023-01-16	37.5	2
2023-01-17	42.5	2
2023-01-18	17.5	2
2022 04 40	40.0	2

**DAILY SUMMARY INTERFACE** 

#### **COMMAND PROPMT OUTPUT:**

```
D:\learnings\gsss_sic\project>python3 flight_analysis.py
      Flight Analysis Module Running
Dataset loaded successfully. Total rows: 50
Delayed Flights (>30 mins):
    FĺightID
                 Airline OriginAirport DestinationAirport
                                                               2023-01-05
        F002
                 United
                                    ORD
                                                                                          45
                                                                                                         50
                                                                                                              1846
                                    DFW
                                                          LAX
                                                                                          60
                                                                                                         55
                                                                                                              1235
        F004
               American
                                                               2023-01-06
                                                                                                              2586
                                     SF0
                                                                                                         80
                  United
                                                               2023-01-08
                                     LAX
                   Delta
                                                               2023-01-09
12
                                     LAX
Airline Summary:
Airline AverageDelay
34.166667
39.142857
                               TotalFlights
                                          14
12
        Delta
                   32.142857
                  11.875000
38.750000
   Southwest
      United
Airline summary exported to exports/airline_summary.csv
Airport Summary:
                                  DelayedFlights PercentDelayed
                  TotalFlights
  OriginAirport
                                                          33.333333
             ATL
                                              2.0
0.0
             BOS
                                                          25.000000
             JFK
                                               3.0
                                                          37.500000
             LAS
                                               0.0
                                                           0.000000
Airport summary exported to exports/airport_summary.csv
Top 5 Delayed Routes:
   OriginAirport DestinationAirport
                                         AverageDelay
                                   JFK
                                            89.166667
                                            72.500000
62.500000
                                    JFK
34
              SF0
12
                                   MIA
22
17
              LAX
                                            57.500000
              LAX
                                    ATL
                                            52.500000
Route summary exported to exports/route_summary.csv
      End of Flight Analysis --
```

The output shows a flight delay analysis summary.

#### It includes:

- Delayed flights (>30 mins) with details like airline, route, and delay times
- Airline summary showing average delays and total flights per airline
- Airport summary showing total flights, delayed flights, and percent delayed for each origin airport
- Top 5 delayed routes ranked by highest average delay

#### 11.CONCLUSION AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

#### **Conclusion:**

The Flight Analytics Dashboard provides a **comprehensive and interactive solution** for analyzing flight data. It integrates **Python data analysis, Flask backend, and Bootstrap frontend** to deliver insights into delays, airline performance, airport efficiency, and top delayed routes. Users can **view, filter, and export data**, enabling **data-driven decision-making**.

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