IBM Data Science Capstone: Car Accident Severity Report

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Background

A traffic collision occurs when a vehicle collides with another vehicle, pedestrian, animal, road debris or other stationary obstacle, such as a tree, pole or building. Traffic accidents often result in injury, disability, death, and damage to property, as well as financial costs for both society and the people involved. Injuries to road traffic cause substantial economic damages to people, their communities , and nations as a whole. These losses result from medical costs as well as from loss of productivity for those killed or affected by their injuries, and for family members who need to take time off work or school to care for the injured

Problem Description

Residing in a metropolitan area my whole life, it hurts to see many people getting injured on a daily basis. I believe if we know the root cause of these injuries we can make solutions for the future. Hence, the objective of the project was to investigate accidents, to research on what types of traffic collisions are most likely to result in injury.

Data Understanding:

We will use SEVERITYCODE impacted by several variables, the most important ones being WEATHER, ROADCOND and LIGHTCOND.

Preprocessing

After importing the packages, let us understand what is in the dataset first

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5 rows × 38 columns

Methodology

Normalize the Data

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In [21]: 1 DF.groupby(['PEDCOUNT'])['SEVERITYCODE'].value_counts(normalize=True)
Out[21]: PEDCOUNT SEVERITYCODE
                                     0.527439
                                     0.472561
0.948973
         1
                                    0.051027
                                    0.981043
         2
         3
                                    0.954545
                                     1.000000
                                     1.000000
          Name: SEVERITYCODE, dtype: float64
In [22]: 1 DF.groupby(['PEDCYLCOUNT'])['SEVERITYCODE'].value_counts(normalize=True)
Out[22]: PEDCYLCOUNT SEVERITYCODE
                                        0.520625
                                        0.479375
          1
                                        1.000000
          Name: SEVERITYCODE, dtype: float64
In [26]: 1 DF.groupby(['WEATHER'])['SEVERITYCODE'].value_counts(normalize=True)
         Blowing Sand/Dirt 1
Out[26]: WEATHER
                                                     0.516129
                                                     0.483871
0.525452
         Clear
                                                     0.474548
0.525281
         Fog/Smog/Smoke
                                                     0.474719
0.742222
0.257778
         Other
                                                     0.518345
0.481655
         Overcast
         Partly Cloudy
                                                     0.600000
         Raining
                                                     0.538888
        Severe Crosswind

Sleet/Hail/Freezing Rain 1
2
Snowing 1
2
1
                                                     0.461112
                                                     0.437500
                                                     0.405797
                                                      0.371739
                                                      0.883429
                                                     0.116571
         Name: SEVERITYCODE, dtype: float64
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In [29]: 1 DF.groupby(['ROADCOND'])['SEVERITYCODE'].value_counts(normalize=True)
 Out[29]: ROADCOND
                                         0.525711
          Dry
                                         0.474289
          Ice
                                         0.566502
          Oil
                                         0.648649
                                         0.351351
          Other
                                         0.405797
          Sand/Mud/Dirt
                                         0.531915
                                         0.468085
          Snow/Slush
                                         0.352941
          Standing Water 1
                                         0.441176
                                         0.742222
          Wet
                                         0.536109
                                         0.463891
          Name: SEVERITYCODE, dtype: float64
In [32]: 1 DF.groupby(['LIGHTCOND'])['SEVERITYCODE'].value_counts(normalize=True)
         Dark - No Street Lights 1
Out[32]: LIGHTCOND
                                                  0.583979
                                                 0.416021
0.532526
        Dark - Street Lights Off 1
                                                 0.467474
        Dark - Street Lights On 2
                                                 0.493495
        Dark - Unknown Lighting 2
                                                  0.400000
        Dawn
                                                  0.537333
                                                  0.462667
        Daylight
                                                  0.541513
                                                  0.458487
        Dusk
                                                  0.550231
                                                  0.449769
        Other
                                                  0.580357
        Unknown
                                                  0.791923
         Name: SEVERITYCODE, dtype: float64
```

Train Test Split

Now we can build our models

K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN)

KNN will help us predict the severity code of an outcome by finding the most similar to data point within k distance.

```
1 from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
In [44]:
           X=DF[['WEATHER']]
Y=DF[['ROADCOND']]
           lm=LinearRegression()
           lm.fit(X,Y)
         6 Yhat=lm.predict(X)
7 lm.score(X,Y)
Out[44]: 0.6092365003242208
In [45]: 1 ['ADDRTYPE', 'PERSONCOUNT', 'PEDCOUNT', 'VEHCOUNT', 'WEATHER', 'LIGHTCOND', 'SPEEDING', 'INATTENTIONIND', 'UN
         2 et_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
3 d()
Out[45]:
          ADDRTYPE PERSONCOUNT PEDCOUNT PEDCYLCOUNT VEHCOUNT WEATHER LIGHTCOND SPEEDING INATTENTIONIND UNDERINFL HITPARKEDCA
        o 2.0 3 0 0 2 3.0 1.0 0 0
               2.0
                           2
                                    0
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                                                       2
                                                             2.0
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Decision Tree

A decision tree model gives us a layout of all possible outcomes so we can fully analyze the consequences of a decision. Its context, the decision tree observes all possible outcomes of different weather conditions.

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In [481:
             1 from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
                      - DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy", max_depth =5)
             3 Tree.fit(X_train,y_train)
  Out[48]: DecisionTreeClassifier(class_weight=None, criterion='entropy', max_depth=5,
                         max_features=None, max_leaf_nodes=None,
min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                         min_samples_leaf=1, min_samples_split=2,
min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, presort=False, random_state=None,
splitter='best')
  In [49]: 1 yhat = Tree.predict(X_test)
   Out[49]: array([2, 2, 2, ..., 2, 2, 2])
   In [50]: 1 from sklearn import metrics
              2 from sklearn.metrics import classification report
              3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
              4 print("DecisionTrees's Accuracy: ", metrics.accuracy score(y test, yhat))
            DecisionTrees's Accuracy: 0.6509013282732448
In [51]: 1 print (classification_report(y_test, yhat))
                         precision recall fl-score support
                            0.66 0.52 0.58 9851
0.65 0.76 0.70 11229
          micro avg 0.65 0.65 0.65 21080
macro avg 0.65 0.64 0.64 21080
weighted avg 0.65 0.65 0.65 21080
In [54]: 1 X1=DF[['ADDRTYPE', 'WEATHER', 'LIGHTCOND', 'SPEEDING', 'INATTENTIONIND', 'UNDERINFL']]
           2 X1.reset_index(drop=True,inplace=True)
          3 X1.head()
Out[54]:
             ADDRTYPE WEATHER LIGHTCOND SPEEDING INATTENTIONIND UNDERINFL
          o 2.0 3.0 1.0 0
                                                                           0
          2 1.0 1.0 2.0 0
                  1.0
                           1.0
                                     1.0
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          4 1.0 2.0 3.0
 In [55]: 1    X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X1, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=4)
2    Treel = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="entropy", max_depth =5)
             3 Tree1.fit(X_train,y_train)
            4 yhat1 = Tree1.predict(X_test)
5 yhat1
 Out[55]: array([2, 2, 2, ..., 2, 1, 2])
 In [56]: 1 print("DecisionTrees's Accuracy: ", metrics.accuracy_score(y_test, yhatl))
             2 print (classification_report(y_test, yhat1))
           DecisionTrees's Accuracy: 0.5969639468690702
                                       recall f1-score support
                         precision
                           0.57 0.55 0.56
0.62 0.64 0.63
                                                            11229
           micro avg 0.60 0.60 0.60 macro avg 0.59 0.59 0.59 weighted avg 0.60 0.60 0.60
                                                           21080
21080
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Logistic Regression

Because our dataset only provides us with two severity code outcomes, our model will only predict one of those two classes. This makes our data binary, which is perfect to use with logistic regression.

Results & Evaluation:

Then we checked the accuracy and found out that the Decision tree is the most accurate model.

Discussion:

Most crashes happened in clear, dry, and bright conditions. Most days are clear, dry, and bright, so it's no surprise that most car crashes occur under these conditions. I also found out that crashes with a distracted driver or an impaired driver are statistically more likely to result in injury, which is also not a surprise. The results of the data indicate to city officials that they should ask drivers to be more alert in ideal conditions.





Conclusion:

Based on historical data from weather conditions pointing to certain classes, we can conclude that particular weather conditions have a somewhat impact on whether or not travel could result in property damage or injury.