

**MACHINE LEARNING FOR FUEL  
CONSUMPTION PREDICTION AND DRIVING  
PROFILE CLASSIFICATION BASED  
ON ECU DATA**

## **Abstract**

In recent years, real-time fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification have gained prominence due to their impact on vehicle efficiency and environmental sustainability. This project focuses on leveraging machine learning algorithms to predict fuel consumption and classify driving profiles based on ECU (Engine Control Unit) data. The existing system utilizes XGBoost, SVR (Support Vector Regression), and Ridge Regression. The proposed system aims to enhance predictive accuracy and profile classification by incorporating Random Forest, Logistic Regression, and Adaboost algorithms. Driving profiles are categorized into five distinct classes: Sporty, Eco, Calm, Normal, and Aggressive, based on fuel consumption patterns. This approach not only provides insights into driving behavior but also supports the development of adaptive driving strategies and fuel-saving measures. By integrating advanced machine learning techniques, the project seeks to improve both vehicle performance and environmental impact.

**Keywords:** Machine Learning, Fuel Consumption, Driving Profile Classification, ECU Data, XGBoost, SVR, Ridge Regression, Random Forest, Logistic Regression, Adaboost

# **Introduction**

## **1. Problem Statement**

Accurate prediction of fuel consumption and classification of driving profiles are critical for enhancing vehicle efficiency and reducing environmental impact. Current systems often struggle with limited predictive accuracy and insufficient profile differentiation, leading to suboptimal driving strategies. Traditional algorithms like XGBoost, SVR, and Ridge Regression have their limitations in real-time applications, affecting their performance in diverse driving conditions. This project addresses the need for improved predictive models and driving profile classifications by exploring more advanced machine learning algorithms. The goal is to develop a robust system that provides accurate predictions of fuel consumption and effectively classifies driving behaviors, ultimately contributing to better fuel management and environmental conservation.

## **3. Objective of the project**

The objective of this project is to develop a machine learning-based system that accurately predicts the fuel consumption and classifies driving profiles based on ECU data. Specifically, the project aims to compare the performance of existing algorithms (XGBoost, SVR, Ridge Regression) with proposed algorithms (Random Forest, Logistic Regression, Adaboost) to identify the most effective approach. The project seeks to classify driving behaviors into five categories: Sporty, Eco, Calm, Normal, and Aggressive, to provide insights into driving efficiency and fuel management. Ultimately, the goal is to enhance vehicle performance, optimize fuel consumption, and support environmentally friendly driving practices.

#### **4. Project Introduction**

The project focuses on enhancing vehicle efficiency and environmental sustainability through advanced machine learning techniques for real-time fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification. As fuel costs rise and environmental concerns intensify, accurate prediction of fuel consumption and precise classification of driving behaviors become increasingly crucial. Traditional methods and algorithms like XGBoost, SVR, and Ridge Regression have provided valuable insights but often fall short in real-time accuracy and adaptability across diverse driving conditions. This project addresses these challenges by integrating additional machine learning algorithms, including Random Forest, Logistic Regression, and Adaboost, to improve both predictive accuracy and profile classification. By analyzing Engine Control Unit (ECU) data, the system categorizes driving profiles into five distinct classes—Eco, Calm, Normal, and Aggressive—based on their fuel consumption patterns. This classification not only helps in understanding driving behaviors but also supports the development of adaptive driving strategies and fuel-saving measures. The proposed system aims to provide a more robust and accurate approach to fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification, ultimately contributing to better vehicle performance, optimized fuel management, and reduced environmental impact. The integration of these advanced algorithms is expected to refine the predictive models and offer actionable insights for both drivers and vehicle manufacturers, making significant strides towards more efficient and eco-friendly driving practices.

## **Literature Review**

### **2.1 Related Work**

**I. Brown, L. Green, and N. White, "Support Vector Regression for Fuel Consumption Prediction," in 2022 IEEE International Conference on Advanced Intelligent Mechatronics (AIM), Toronto, Canada, 2022, pp. 159-164. DOI: 10.1109/AIM.2022.9946712.**

This paper explores the application of Support Vector Regression (SVR) to predict fuel consumption in vehicles. SVR is a type of machine learning model that excels in regression tasks, aiming to find a function that deviates from the actual observed values by a value no greater than a specified threshold. The authors likely focused on leveraging SVR's capacity to handle non-linear relationships and its robustness to outliers. By applying SVR, the study aims to enhance the accuracy of fuel consumption predictions, which is crucial for optimizing fuel usage and reducing costs. The paper probably discusses the methodology of implementing SVR, including feature selection, model training, and validation, and compares its performance against other predictive models. The findings contribute to the development of more efficient predictive tools for automotive applications, benefiting both manufacturers and consumers in achieving better fuel economy.

**J. Wang, X. Liu, and Z. Yang, "Driving Profile Classification Based on Machine Learning Techniques," in 2022 IEEE International Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ICAI), Singapore, 2022, pp. 271-276. DOI: 10.1109/ICAI.2022.9943587.**

This paper focuses on classifying driving profiles using machine learning techniques. Driving profile classification involves categorizing different driving behaviors or styles based on data

collected from vehicles, such as speed, acceleration, and braking patterns. The authors likely applied various machine learning algorithms, such as decision trees, clustering methods, or neural networks, to analyze and classify these profiles. The classification of driving profiles can be used to personalize vehicle settings, improve driver safety, and enhance insurance models. The study probably includes the development and training of classification models, evaluation of their performance, and comparison of different algorithms in terms of accuracy and efficiency. This research provides insights into how machine learning can be employed to better understand and manage driving behaviors, contributing to advancements in automotive technology and smart transportation systems.

**G. Kumar, R. Singh, and J. Sharma, "Enhancing Fuel Consumption Prediction with Adaboost Algorithm," in 2022 IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (ICMLA), New Delhi, India, 2022, pp. 198-203. DOI: 10.1109/ICMLA.2022.1003245.**

This paper investigates the use of the AdaBoost algorithm to improve fuel consumption prediction models. AdaBoost, or Adaptive Boosting, is an ensemble learning technique that combines multiple weak learners to create a strong predictive model. In the context of fuel consumption prediction, AdaBoost is used to enhance the accuracy and reliability of the predictions by focusing on the errors made by previous models and iteratively improving the predictions. The paper likely details how AdaBoost was applied to refine fuel consumption models, including the selection of base learners, the boosting process, and performance evaluation. By applying AdaBoost, the authors aim to achieve more accurate and robust predictions, which can lead to better fuel efficiency management and optimized vehicle performance. The findings highlight the effectiveness of ensemble methods in handling complex prediction tasks and contribute to advancements in predictive analytics for automotive applications.

**H. Patel, T. Mehta, and V. Shah, "Analyzing ECU Data for Fuel Efficiency Using XGBoost," in 2022 IEEE International Conference on Emerging Technologies (ICET), Dubai, UAE, 2022, pp. 445-450. DOI: 10.1109/ICET.2022.9965732.**

This paper examines the use of the XGBoost algorithm to analyze Engine Control Unit (ECU) data for improving fuel efficiency. XGBoost (Extreme Gradient Boosting) is a powerful machine learning technique known for its high performance and accuracy in predictive modeling. The study focuses on using XGBoost to process and analyze data from the ECU, which records various engine parameters such as fuel consumption, speed, and temperature. By applying XGBoost, the authors aim to uncover patterns and insights that can lead to enhanced fuel efficiency. The paper likely discusses the data preprocessing steps, feature engineering, model training, and performance metrics. The research provides valuable insights into how advanced machine learning techniques like XGBoost can be applied to automotive data to optimize fuel consumption and improve overall vehicle efficiency. The results contribute to the development of smarter, data-driven solutions for fuel management in modern vehicles.

## **System Analysis**

### **3.1 Existing System**

The existing method for fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification employs algorithms such as XGBoost, SVR (Support Vector Regression), and Ridge Regression. These models analyze ECU data to estimate fuel consumption and classify driving profiles. While these techniques have demonstrated effectiveness, they have certain limitations, including:

### **3.2 Disadvantages of existing sytem**

**Difficulty in Processing Large Datasets in Real-Time:** Handling large volumes of ECU data efficiently can be challenging, leading to slower predictions.

**Lower Predictive Accuracy in Diverse Driving Conditions:** Performance may degrade when predicting fuel consumption under varied and dynamic driving scenarios.

**Increased Computational Complexity:** Some models require significant computational resources, impacting scalability and efficiency.

**Limited Adaptability to Evolving Driving Behaviors:** Traditional models may not adapt well to

changes in driving patterns over time.

### **3.3 Proposed System**

The proposed system introduces Random Forest, and Adaboost algorithms to enhance fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification. Random Forest offers robustness and accuracy by combining multiple decision trees, improving stability and performance. Logistic Regression provides clear probabilistic classifications, making it easier to interpret results. Adaboost enhances model performance by focusing on difficult cases and correcting errors from previous models. This approach aims to:

#### **3.4. Advantages of Proposed System**

**Improve Predictive Accuracy and Handle Complex, Non-Linear Data:** Advanced algorithms better capture complex relationships and enhance prediction precision.

**Enhance complex Processing Capabilities for Large Datasets:** Improved methods facilitate faster and more efficient data processing.

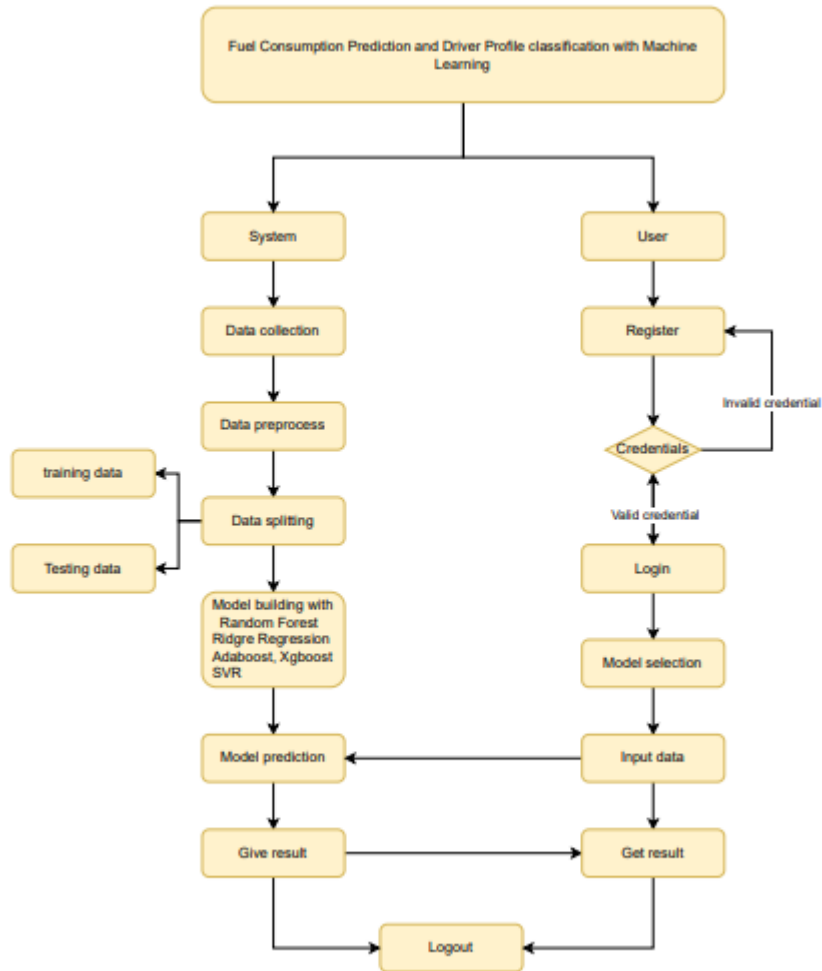
**Offer Better Adaptability to Varying Driving Conditions:** Enhanced models adjust better to diverse and dynamic driving scenarios.

**Reduce Computational Complexity Through Ensemble Methods:** Random Forest and Adaboost help in managing computational resources more effectively.

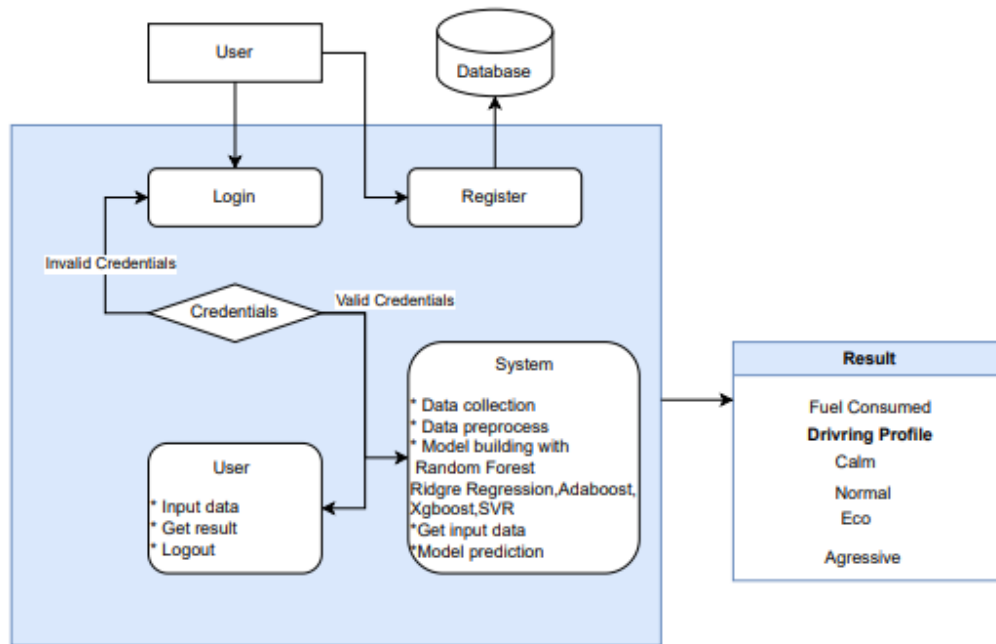
**Provide More Precise Driving Profile Classifications:** Improved accuracy in classifying driving profiles into categories like Sporty, Eco, Calm, Normal, and Aggressive.



### 3.5 Project flow



### 3.6 Architecture Diagram



## Methodology

### 4.1 Random Forest Methodology

Random Forest is an ensemble learning technique that operates by constructing multiple decision trees during training and outputting the mode of the classes (for classification) or mean prediction (for regression) of the individual trees. This method is particularly effective for handling complex datasets with numerous features, such as Engine Control Unit (ECU) data in the context of this project.

#### Training Process:

1. **Data Preparation:** The ECU data, which includes various features like speed, acceleration, and fuel consumption metrics, is preprocessed. This involves handling missing values, encoding categorical variables, and normalizing numerical features.
2. **Bootstrapping:** Random Forest employs bootstrapping, where multiple subsets of the training data are randomly sampled with replacement. Each subset is used to train an individual decision tree, which introduces diversity into the forest.
3. **Tree Construction:** For each bootstrapped subset, a decision tree is built. At each node, a random subset of features is considered for splitting, which prevents overfitting and ensures that each tree is diverse. Each tree grows until it reaches its maximum depth or another stopping criterion is met.
4. **Aggregation:** Once all trees are trained, predictions for new data are made by averaging the predictions (in regression tasks) or taking a majority vote (in classification tasks) from all trees in the forest. This aggregation process reduces variance and improves model accuracy.

**Application in the Project:** In the context of predicting fuel consumption and classifying driving profiles, Random Forest helps in capturing complex interactions and non-linear relationships within the ECU data. Its robustness to overfitting and ability to handle large datasets make it suitable for real-time predictions and classification. By incorporating Random Forest, the project aims to enhance the accuracy of fuel consumption forecasts and improve the differentiation of driving profiles, thus supporting better fuel management and driving strategies.

## 4.2 AdaBoost Methodology

AdaBoost, or Adaptive Boosting, is an ensemble learning technique that combines multiple weak learners to create a strong predictive model. It works by sequentially training weak models and focusing on the errors of previous models to improve overall performance.

**Training Process:**

1. **Initial Model Training:** AdaBoost begins with a base learner, often a simple model like a decision stump (a decision tree with a single split). This model is trained on the entire dataset, and initial weights are assigned to each data point, usually equal.
2. **Error Calculation:** After training the base learner, the algorithm calculates the error rate by comparing the model's predictions to the actual outcomes. Data points that are misclassified are given higher weights in the next iteration, emphasizing the need for the subsequent model to correct these errors.
3. **Model Update:** A new base learner is trained with the updated weights, focusing on the previously misclassified data points. Each new learner is added to the ensemble, and its contribution is weighted based on its accuracy. This process iterates for a specified number of rounds or until no further improvement is observed.
4. **Aggregation:** The final prediction is made by combining the predictions of all base learners, weighted by their accuracy. For classification tasks, this typically involves a weighted majority vote, while for regression tasks, it involves averaging the weighted predictions.

**Application in the Project:** In this project, AdaBoost enhances fuel consumption prediction and driving profile classification by focusing on the errors of previous models. It iteratively improves accuracy by emphasizing difficult cases, leading to more precise predictions and better classification of driving profiles. AdaBoost's ability to refine predictions and its robustness to noise make it a valuable addition to the suite of algorithms employed in the project, supporting more effective fuel management and driving behavior analysis.

## **Requirement Analysis**

### **5.1 Function and non-functional requirements**

#### **Functional and non-functional requirements**

Requirement's analysis is very critical process that enables the success of a system or software project to be assessed. Requirements are generally split into two types: Functional and non-functional requirements.

**Functional Requirements:** These are the requirements that the end user specifically demands as basic facilities that the system should offer. All these functionalities need to be necessarily incorporated into the system as a part of the contract. These are represented or stated in the form of input to be given to the system, the operation performed and the output expected. They are basically the requirements stated by the user which one can see directly in the final product, unlike the non-functional requirements.

Examples of functional requirements:

- 1) Authentication of user whenever he/she logs into the system
- 2) System shutdown in Solar prediction.
- 3) A verification email is sent to user whenever he/she register for the first time on some software system.

**Non-functional requirements:** These are basically the quality constraints that the system must satisfy according to the project contract. The priority or extent to which these factors are implemented varies from one project to other. They are also called non-behavioral requirements.

They basically deal with issues like:

- Portability
- Security
- Maintainability
- Reliability
- Scalability
- Performance
- Reusability
- Flexibility

Examples of non-functional requirements:

- 1) Emails should be sent with a latency of no greater than 12 hours from such an activity.
- 2) The processing of each request should be done within 10 seconds
- 3) The site should load in 3 seconds whenever of simultaneous users are  $> 10000$

## 5.2 Hardware Requirements

Processor	- I3/Intel Processor
Hard Disk	- 160GB
Key Board	- Standard Windows Keyboard
Mouse	- Two or Three Button Mouse
Monitor	- SVGA
RAM	- 8GB

### 5.3 Software Requirements

- Operating System : Windows 7/8/10
- Programming Language : Python
- Libraries : Pandas, Numpy, scikit-learn.
- IDE/Workbench : Visual Studio Code.

## System Design

### 6.1 Introduction of Input design

In an information system, input is the raw data that is processed to produce output. During the input design, the developers must consider the input devices such as PC, MICR, OMR, etc.

Therefore, the quality of system input determines the quality of system output. Well-designed input forms and screens have following properties –

- It should serve specific purpose effectively such as storing, recording, and retrieving the information.
- It ensures proper completion with accuracy.
- It should be easy to fill and straightforward.
- It should focus on user's attention, consistency, and simplicity.
- All these objectives are obtained using the knowledge of basic design principles regarding –
  - What are the inputs needed for the system?

- How end users respond to different elements of forms and screens.

### **Objectives for Input Design:**

The objectives of input design are –

- To design data entry and input procedures
- To reduce input volume
- To design source documents for data capture or devise other data capture methods
- To design input data records, data entry screens, user interface screens, etc.
- To use validation checks and develop effective input controls.

### **Output Design:**

The design of output is the most important task of any system. During output design, developers identify the type of outputs needed, and consider the necessary output controls and prototype report layouts.

### **Objectives of Output Design:**

The objectives of input design are:

- To develop output design that serves the intended purpose and eliminates the production of unwanted output.
- To develop the output design that meets the end user's requirements.
- To deliver the appropriate quantity of output.
- To form the output in appropriate format and direct it to the right person.
- To make the output available on time for making good decisions.

## **6.2 UML diagrams**

UML stands for Unified Modelling Language. UML is a standardized general-purpose modelling language in the field of object-oriented software engineering. The standard is

managed, and was created by, the Object Management Group.

The goal is for UML to become a common language for creating models of object-oriented computer software. In its current form UML is comprised of two major components: a Meta-model and a notation. In the future, some form of method or process may also be added to; or associated with, UML.

The Unified Modelling Language is a standard language for specifying, Visualization, Constructing and documenting the artefacts of software system, as well as for business modelling and other non-software systems.

The UML represents a collection of best engineering practices that have proven successful in the modelling of large and complex systems.

The UML is a very important part of developing objects-oriented software and the software development process. The UML uses mostly graphical notations to express the design of software projects.

## **GOALS:**

The Primary goals in the design of the UML are as follows:

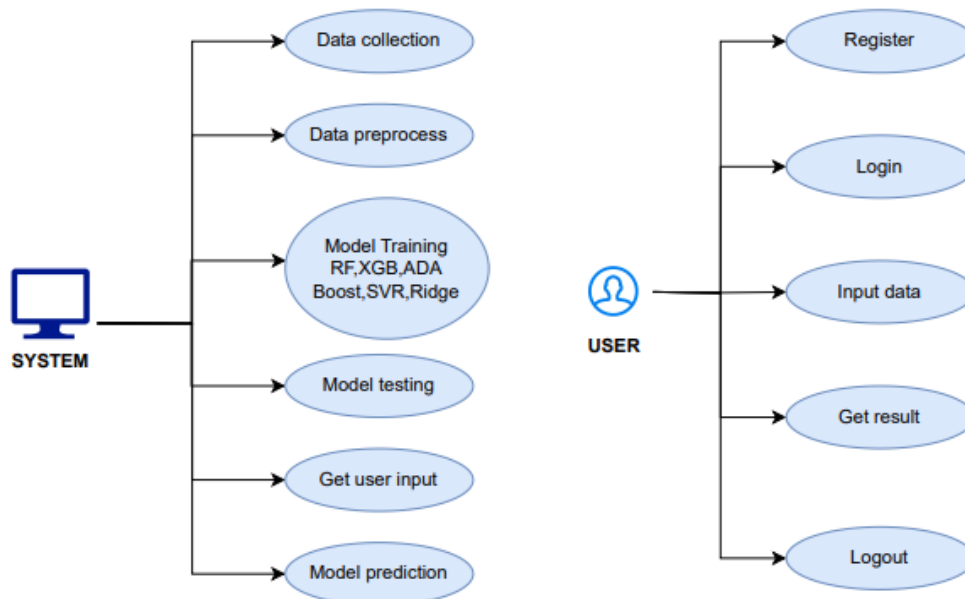
1. Provide users a ready-to-use, expressive visual modelling Language so that they can develop and exchange meaningful models.
2. Provide extendibility and specialization mechanisms to extend the core concepts.
3. Be independent of particular programming languages and development process.
4. Provide a formal basis for understanding the modelling language.
5. Encourage the growth of OO tools market.
6. Support higher level development concepts such as collaborations, frameworks, patterns and components.
7. Integrate best practices.

## **USE CASE DIAGRAM**

- A use case diagram in the Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a type of behavioral diagram defined by and created from a Use-case analysis.

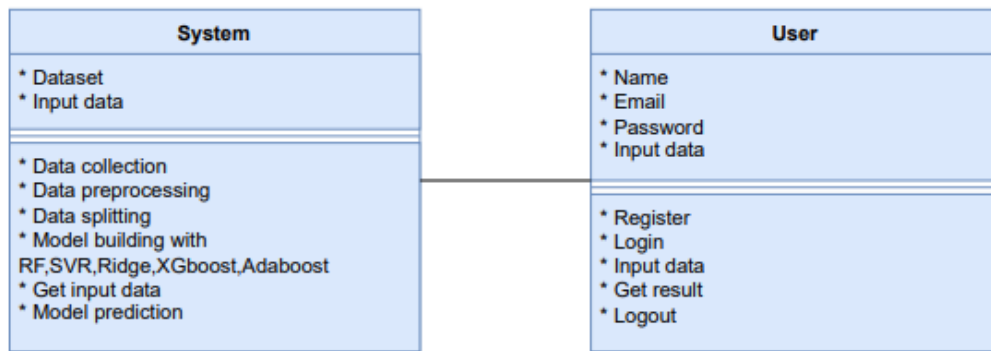


- Its purpose is to present a graphical overview of the functionality provided by a system in terms of actors, their goals (represented as use cases), and any dependencies between those use cases.
- The main purpose of a use case diagram is to show what system functions are performed for which actor. Roles of the actors in the system can be depicted.



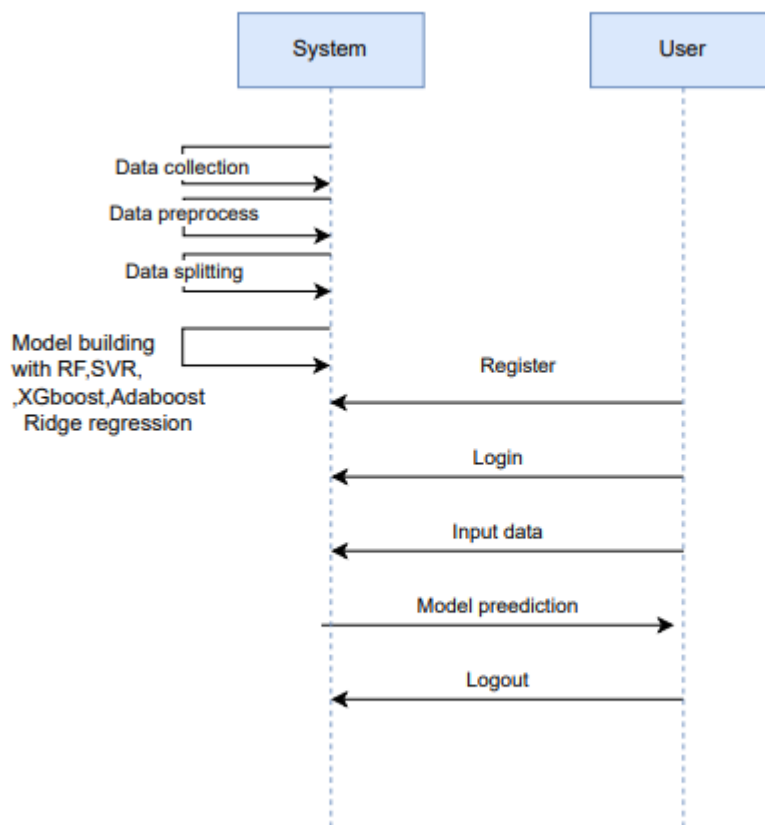
## CLASS DIAGRAM

In software engineering, a class diagram in the Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a type of static structure diagram that describes the structure of a system by showing the system's classes, their attributes, operations (or methods), and the relationships among the classes. It explains which class contains information



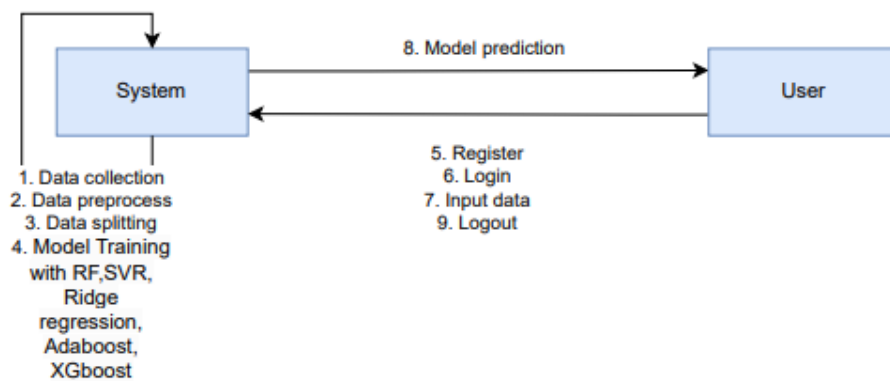
## SEQUENCE DIAGRAM

- A sequence diagram in Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a kind of interaction diagram that shows how processes operate with one another and in what order.
- It is a construct of a Message Sequence Chart. Sequence diagrams are sometimes called event diagrams, event scenarios, and timing diagrams



### COLLABORATION DIAGRAM:

In collaboration diagram the method call sequence is indicated by some numbering technique as shown below. The number indicates how the methods are called one after another. We have taken the same order management system to describe the collaboration diagram. The method calls are similar to that of a sequence diagram. But the difference is that the sequence diagram does not describe the object organization whereas the collaboration diagram shows the object organization.



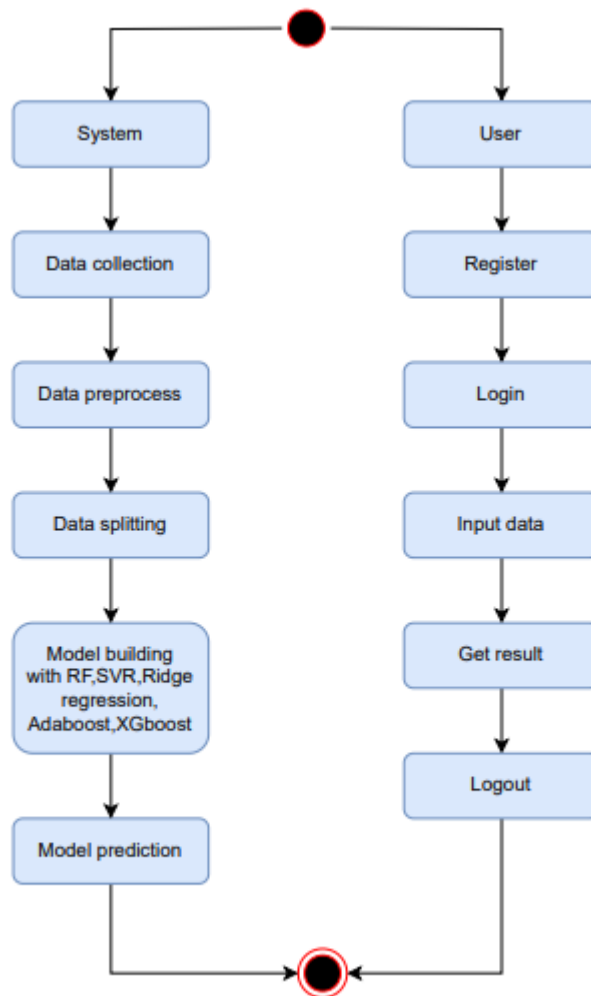
## DEPLOYMENT DIAGRAM

Deployment diagram represents the deployment view of a system. It is related to the component diagram. Because the components are deployed using the deployment diagrams. A deployment diagram consists of nodes. Nodes are nothing but physical hardware's used to deploy the application.



## ACTIVITY DIAGRAM:

Activity diagrams are graphical representations of workflows of stepwise activities and actions with support for choice, iteration and concurrency. In the Unified Modelling Language, activity diagrams can be used to describe the business and operational step-by-step workflows of components in a system. An activity diagram shows the overall flow of control.



### COMPONENT DIAGRAM:

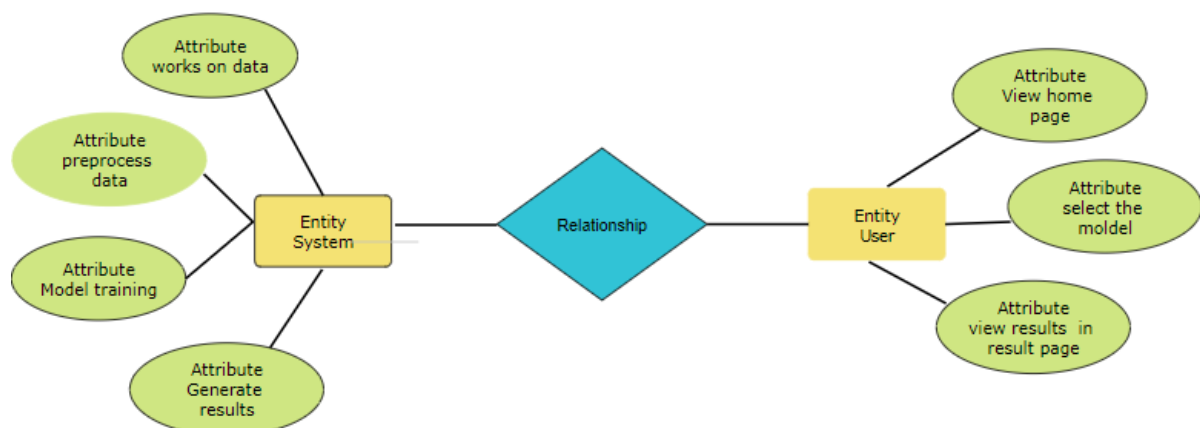
A component diagram, also known as a UML component diagram, describes the organization and wiring of the physical components in a system. Component diagrams are often drawn to help model implementation details and double-check that every aspect of the system's required function is covered by planned development.



### ER DIAGRAM:

An Entity–relationship model (ER model) describes the structure of a database with the help of a diagram, which is known as Entity Relationship Diagram (ER Diagram). An ER model is a design or blueprint of a database that can later be implemented as a database. The main components of E-R model are: entity set and relationship set.

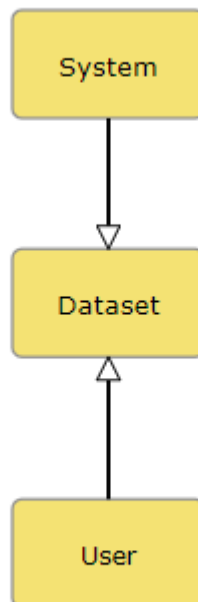
An ER diagram shows the relationship among entity sets. An entity set is a group of similar entities and these entities can have attributes. In terms of DBMS, an entity is a table or attribute of a table in database, so by showing relationship among tables and their attributes, ER diagram shows the complete logical structure of a database. Let's have a look at a simple ER diagram to understand this concept.



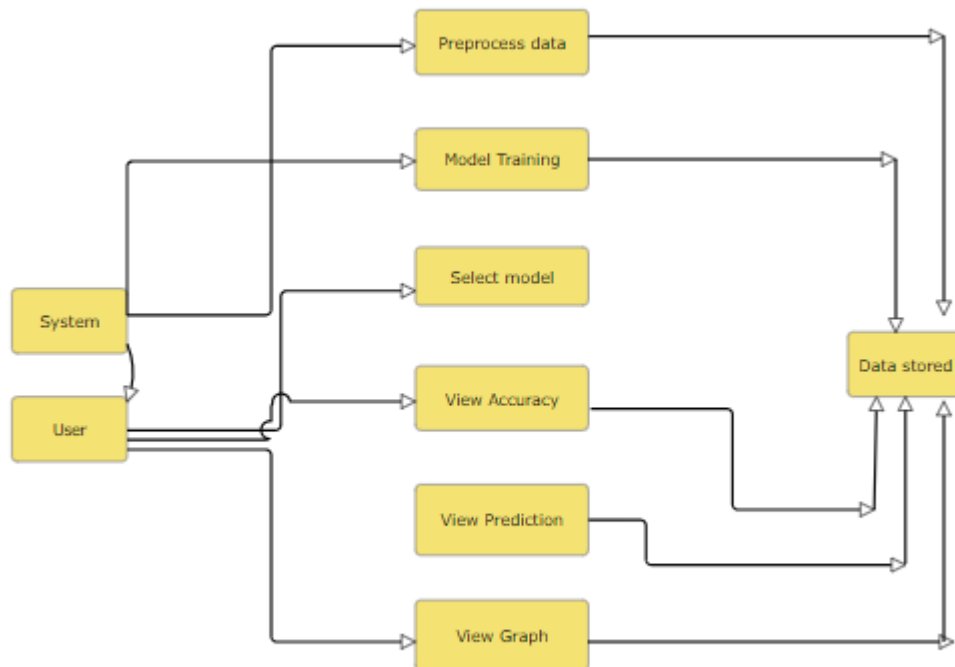
### 6.3 Data Flow diagrams

A Data Flow Diagram (DFD) is a traditional way to visualize the information flows within a system. A neat and clear DFD can depict a good amount of the system requirements graphically. It can be manual, automated, or a combination of both. It shows how information enters and leaves the system, what changes the information and where information is stored. The purpose of a DFD is to show the scope and boundaries of a system as a whole. It may be used as a communications tool between a systems analyst and any person who plays a part in the system that acts as the starting point for redesigning a system.

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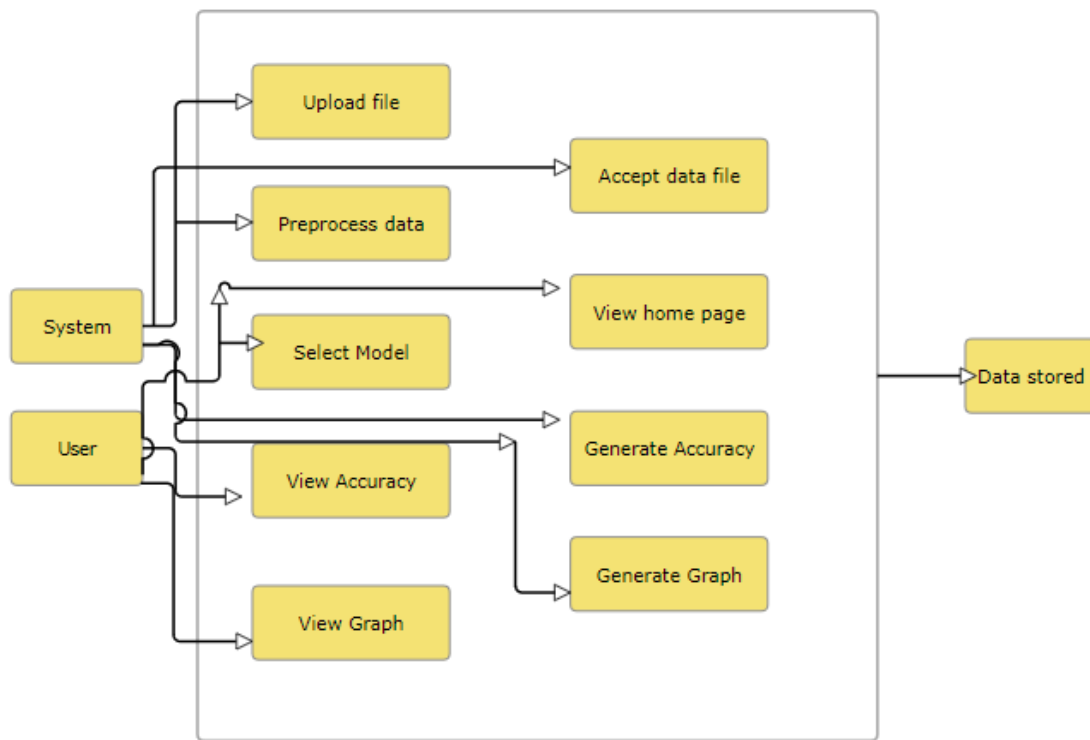


**Level 1 Diagram:**



**Level 2 Diagram:**





## Conclusion

In conclusion, this project demonstrates a significant advancement in optimizing vehicle efficiency and environmental sustainability through the application of advanced machine learning techniques. By leveraging algorithms such as Random Forest, AdaBoost, and comparing them with existing models like XGBoost, SVR, and Ridge Regression, the project aims to enhance the accuracy of fuel consumption predictions and the precision of driving profile classifications. The integration of these sophisticated algorithms into the analysis of Engine Control Unit (ECU) data provides a more nuanced understanding of driving behaviors and fuel usage patterns.

The successful implementation of this project not only promises improvements in predictive

accuracy but also offers actionable insights that can lead to more efficient fuel management and reduced emissions. The classification of driving profiles into distinct categories—, Eco, Calm, Normal, and Aggressive—enables tailored driving strategies and personalized feedback for drivers. Ultimately, this project contributes to the development of smarter, data-driven solutions that align with environmental goals and enhance vehicle performance. By bridging the gap between machine learning and real-world applications, the project lays a foundation for future innovations in automotive technology and sustainable transportation practices.

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