
IBM CLOUD INTERNSHIP PROJECT

POWER SYSTEM FAULT DETECTION AND CLASSIFICATION

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OUTLINE

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PROBLEM STATEMENT

Design a machine learning model to detect and classify different types of faults in a power distribution system. Using electrical measurement data (e.g., voltage and current phasors), the model should be able to distinguish between normal operating conditions and various fault conditions (such as line-to-ground, line-to-line, or three-phase faults). The objective is to enable rapid and accurate fault identification, which is crucial for maintaining power grid stability and reliability.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

- **The solution will consist of the following components:**
- **Data Collection:**
 - Gather historical and simulated power system data, including fault types, voltage, current, power load, fault duration, location coordinates, temperature, weather conditions, and component health.
 - Use data sources like the Kaggle Power System Faults dataset to train the models.
- **Data Preprocessing:**
 - Clean and preprocess the collected data to handle missing values, outliers, and inconsistencies.
 - Perform feature engineering to create relevant features that may impact fault occurrence and classification, such as normalized voltage or temperature thresholds.
- **Machine Learning Algorithm:**
 - Implement classification algorithms including Random Forest Classifier, Batched Tree Ensemble Classifier, and Snap Logistic Regression to predict the type of fault from the input parameters.
 - Evaluate multiple models automatically using IBM AutoAI to select the best-performing one.
- **Deployment:**
 - Deploy the trained model using IBM Watsonx.ai Studio, providing a web interface where CSV or JSON input data can be uploaded for prediction.
 - Ensure the deployed system can return fault classifications with confidence scores in real-time.
- **Evaluation:**
 - Assess the model's performance using appropriate classification metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.
 - Monitor predictions and fine-tune the model based on new data or user feedback to improve classification performance over time.

SYSTEM APPROACH

The "System Approach" section outlines the overall strategy and methodology for developing and implementing the prediction system. Here's a suggested structure for this section:

- Cloud Platform: IBM Cloud Lite
- Development Tool: IBM Watsonx.ai Studio – AutoAI
- Data Input Format: CSV files with features like:
 - Fault ID
 - Latitude & Longitude
 - Voltage (V)
 - Current (A)
 - Power Load (MW)
 - Temperature (°C)
 - Wind Speed (km/h)
 - Weather Condition, etc.
- **Model Selection:** AutoAI automatically selects the best model based on accuracy.

ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

- **Algorithm Used:**

- Random Forest Classifier
- Batched Tree Ensemble Classifier
- Snap Logistic Regression

- **Input Data:**

- Multivariate time-stamped sensor values from power systems.

- **Training & Evaluation:**

- IBM AutoAI handled preprocessing, training, and model tuning.
- The best-performing model was selected based on accuracy.

- **Deployment:**

- The model is deployed and tested using IBM Watsonx.ai Studio.
- Predictions are made in real-time using tabular or JSON input formats.

RESULT

Prediction results

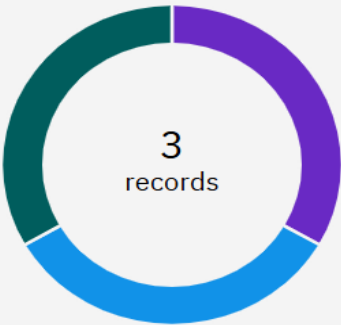
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Prediction type

Multiclass classification

Prediction percentage



Transformer Failure Overheating Line Breakage

Display format for prediction results

☒ Table view ☐ JSON view

☐ Show input data ⓘ

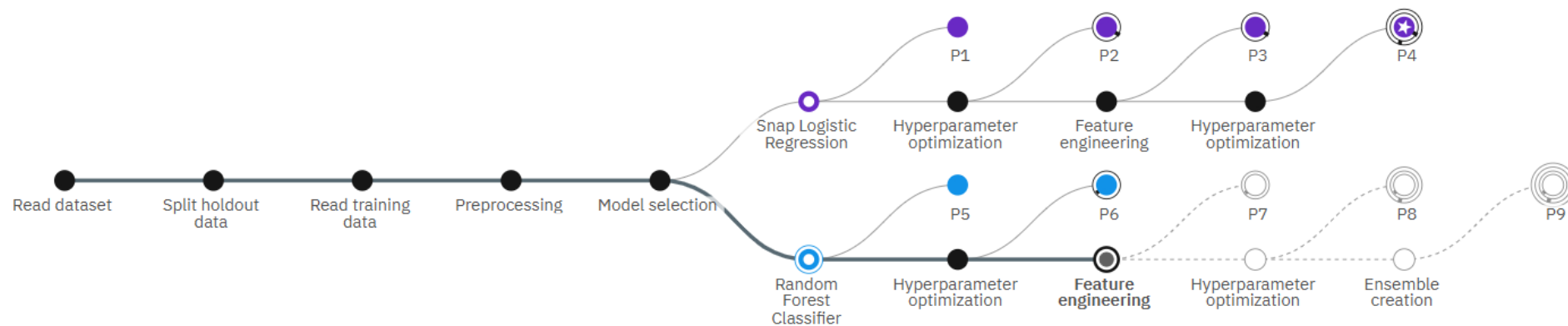
	Prediction	Confidence
1	Transformer Failure	39%
2	Overheating	36%
3	Line Breakage	39%
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Download JSON file

RESULT

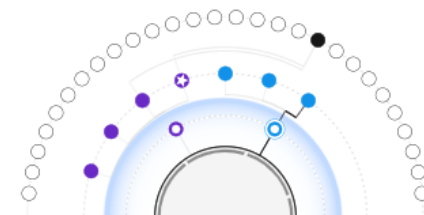
Progress map ⓘ

Prediction column: Fault Type



Relationship map

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Feature engineering

RANDOM FOREST CLASSIFIER

Started feature engineering for pipeline P7

Time elapsed: 2 minutes

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RESULT

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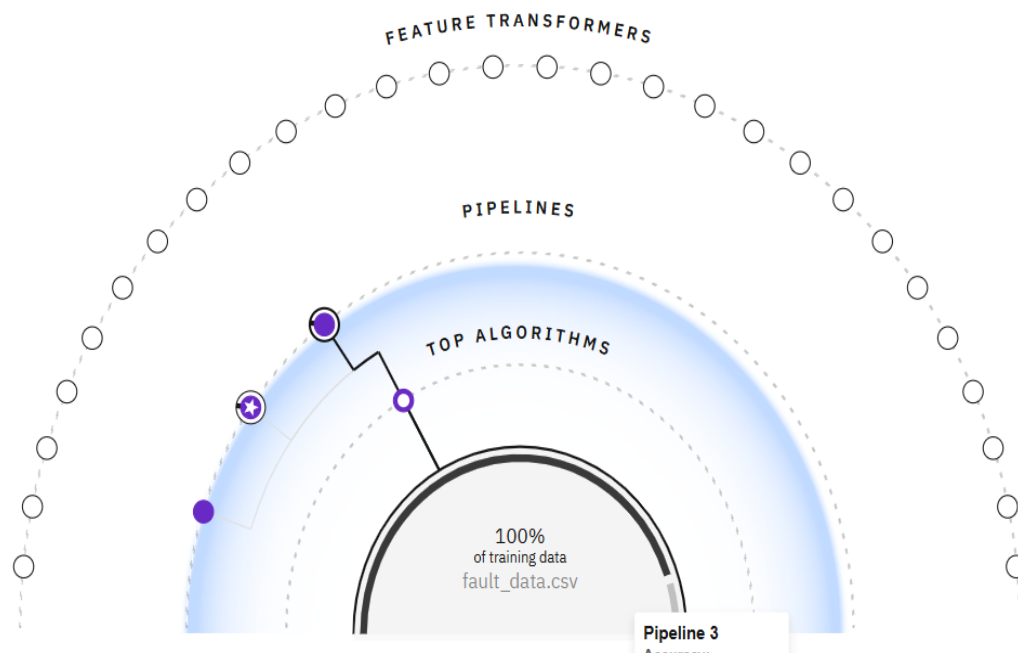
Experiment summary

Pipeline comparison

★ Rank by: Accuracy (Optimized) | Cross validation score

Relationship map

Prediction column: Fault Type



Progress map

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Feature engineering

SNAP LOGISTIC REGRESSION

Started feature engineering for pipeline P3

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Pipeline leaderboard

RESULT

- The trained model successfully classifies power system faults into categories like Transformer Failure, Overheating, and Line Breakage.
- **Example Input:**
Fault ID: F001, Voltage: 2200V, Current: 250A, Power Load: 50 MW
- **Prediction Output:**
 - Transformer Failure – 39%
 - Overheating – 36%
 - Line Breakage – 39%

CONCLUSION

- This project demonstrates an end-to-end AI-powered fault classification system for power grids using IBM Cloud. It automates fault detection with high accuracy and provides real-time fault classification, which helps in:
- Minimizing downtime
- Improving safety
- Enhancing the operational reliability of electrical networks
- The IBM AutoAI pipeline significantly reduced development time and provided model explainability and deployment readiness.

FUTURE SCOPE

- Integration with IoT-enabled sensors in real-time electrical grids
- Extending the model to include predictive maintenance
- Adding fault severity prediction
- Deploying edge computing for local fault detection in smart grids
- Using time-series forecasting for fault anticipation

REFERENCES

- Kaggle Dataset: [Power System Faults Dataset](#)
- IBM Watson Studio Documentation
- AutoAI Model Selection Process
- Random Forests and Ensemble Learning Literature

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