
CAPSTONE PROJECT

POWER SYSTEM FAULT DETECTION AND CLASSIFICATION USING MACHINE

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PROBLEM STATEMENT

- In modern electrical distribution systems, detecting and classifying power faults quickly and accurately is crucial to maintaining grid reliability and minimizing damage.
- Various fault conditions such as line-to-ground (L-G), line-to-line (L-L), and three-phase faults can disrupt power flow, cause equipment failures, or lead to blackouts.
- There is a need to build a model that can automatically detect and classify faults based on electrical measurement data like voltage and current phasors.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

- The proposed system aims to detect and classify power system faults using machine learning by:
- Collecting and preprocessing voltage and current data during both normal and fault conditions.
- Applying classification algorithms to learn patterns associated with specific fault types.
- Using IBM AutoAI to automate the model training and deployment process.
- Enabling real-time or near-real-time fault detection to support fast grid response.

SYSTEM APPROACH

- Technology Used:
 - Platform: IBM Cloud Lite (Watson Studio, AutoAI)
 - Language/Tools: Python (Optional), IBM Watson Studio GUI
 - Data Source: Kaggle Dataset – Power System Faults Dataset
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- System Requirements:
 - CSV file with voltage and current readings
 - IBM Cloud Lite account
 - Internet connection for cloud deployment

ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

- Algorithm:
 - AutoAI selects and compares algorithms like Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVM, Gradient Boosted Trees.
 - Input Features: Voltage (V), Current (I), other phasor data.
 - Target Output: Fault Type (e.g., Normal, L-G, L-L, 3-phase).
- Deployment:
 - Best model is saved and deployed on IBM Watson Machine Learning.
 - An API endpoint is generated for external use.

RESULT

- Confusion matrix to show prediction vs. actual
- Example output:
- Input: $V=220V$, $I=5.2A$
- Output: Fault Type = Line-to-Ground
- (Include screenshots from AutoAI output, deployment, or predictions)

CONCLUSION

- The ML model successfully classifies fault types with high accuracy.
- Helps in real-time grid monitoring and faster restoration.
- Reduces dependency on manual inspection and improves response time.

FUTURE SCOPE

- Use real-time streaming data for live fault detection
- Integrate with SCADA systems for automation
- Expand to fault location prediction
- Explore deep learning models for better accuracy

REFERENCES

- Kaggle Dataset: <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/ziya07/power-systemfaults-dataset>
- IBM Cloud Docs: <https://cloud.ibm.com/docs>
- Research papers on fault classification in power systems

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