FLIGHT DELAY PREDICTION FOR AVIATION INDUSTRY USING MACHINE LEARNING

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

Over the last twenty years, air travel has been increasingly preferred among travelers, mainly because of its speed and in some cases comfort. This has led to phenomenal growth in air traffic and on the ground. An increase in air traffic growth has also resulted in massive levels of aircraft delays on the ground and in the air. These delays are responsible for large economic and environmental losses. The main objective of the model is to predict flight delays accurately in order to optimize flight operations and minimize delays.

1.2 Purpose

Using a machine learning model, we can predict flight arrival delays. The input to our algorithm is rows of feature vector like departure date, departure delay, distance between the two airports, scheduled arrival time etc. We then use decision tree classifier to predict if the flight arrival will be delayed or not. A flight is considered to be delayed when difference between scheduled and actual arrival times is greater than 15 minutes. Furthermore, we compare decision tree classifier with logistic regression and a simple neural network for various figures of merit.

2. LITERACY SURVEY

2.1 Existing system

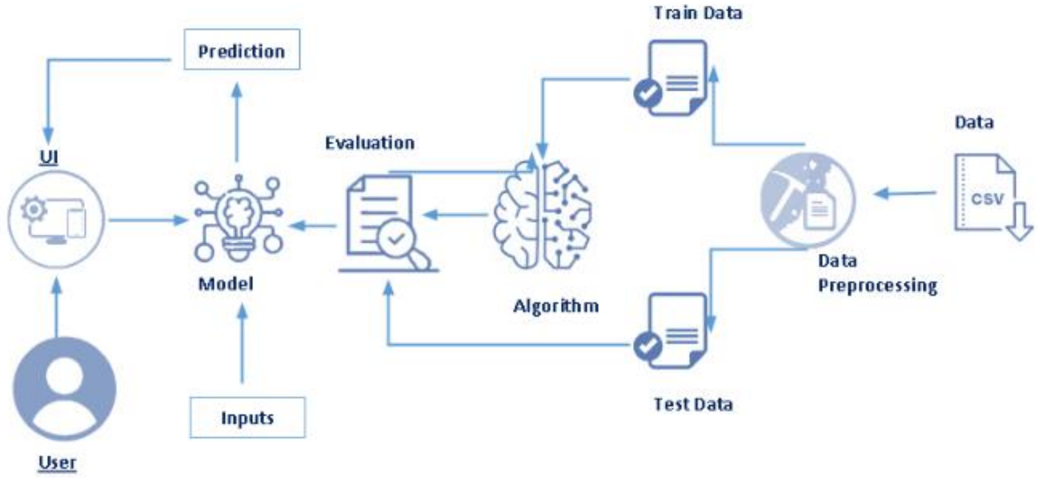
Since flight delays cause multiple problems across the world, there has been a significant improvement in delay prediction model right from the 1990s. The quantity of the delay decreased the quality of marketing strategies. A delay in the departure or arrival of a domestic flight affects the operation of an international flight. A small amount of change in the delay value can be a massive amount of success for airport sectors.

2.2 Proposed system

In the proposed system user gives the input for predicting the output, where they can give input as Flight Number, Month, Day of Month, Week, Origin, Destination, Schedule Departure Time, Schedule Arrival Time, Actual Departure Time then click to submit the output. Then the proposed system will predict the output as whether the flight will be delayed or on time based on the inputs given by the user.

3. THEORITICAL ANALYSIS

3.1 Block diagram



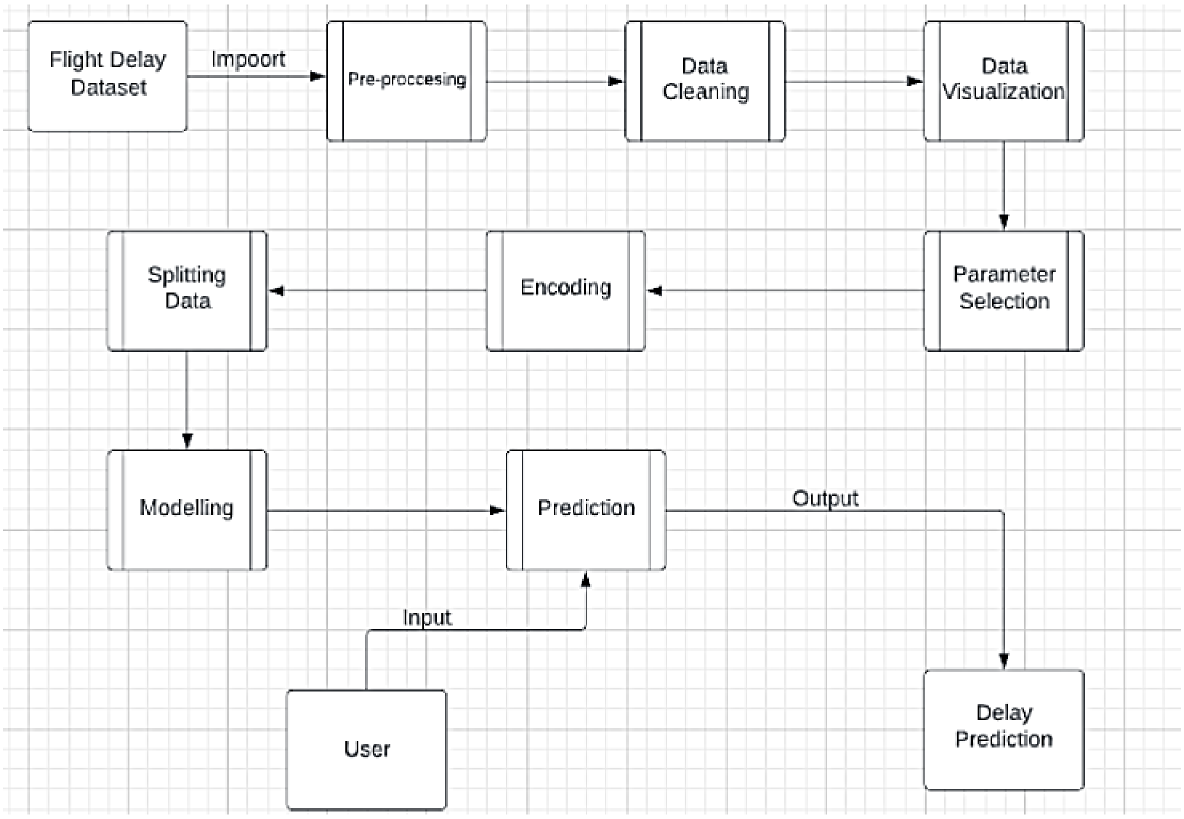
3.2. Hardware and Software

- Laptop
- Anaconda Navigator
- Jupyter Notebook
- Spyder
- IBM Cloud

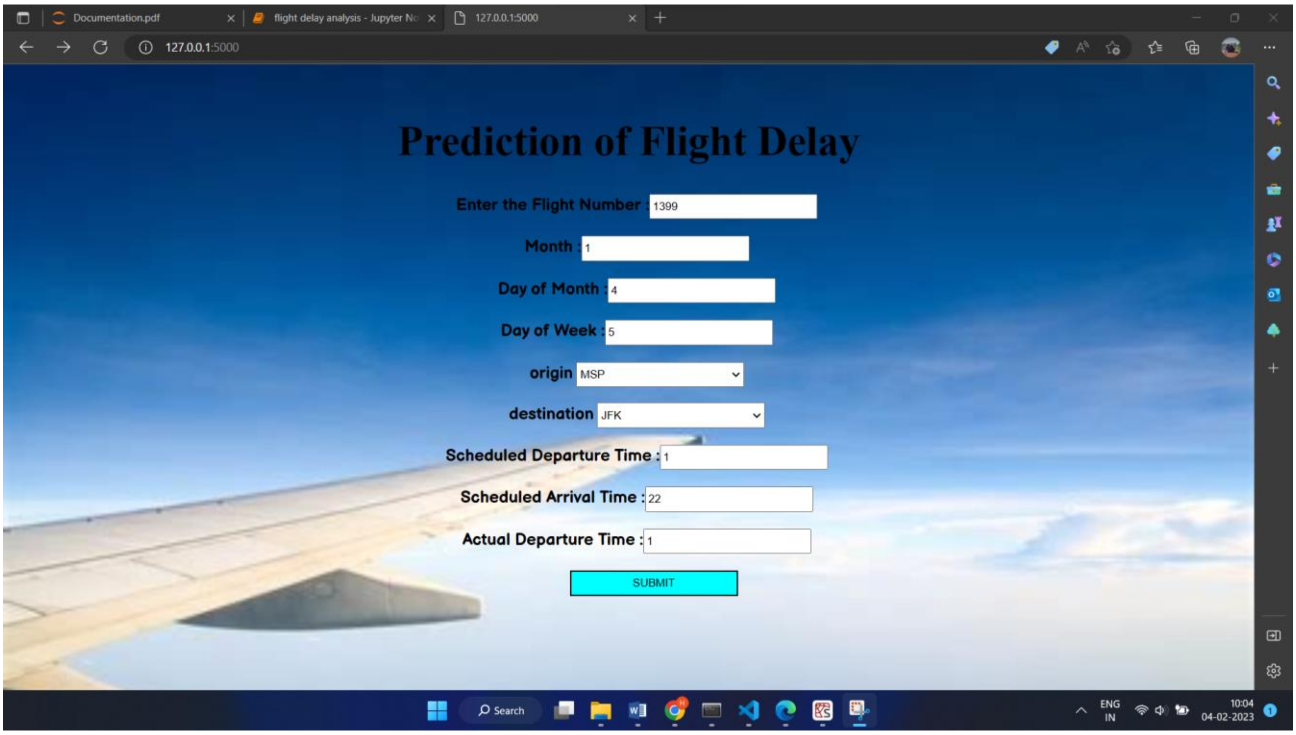
4. EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS

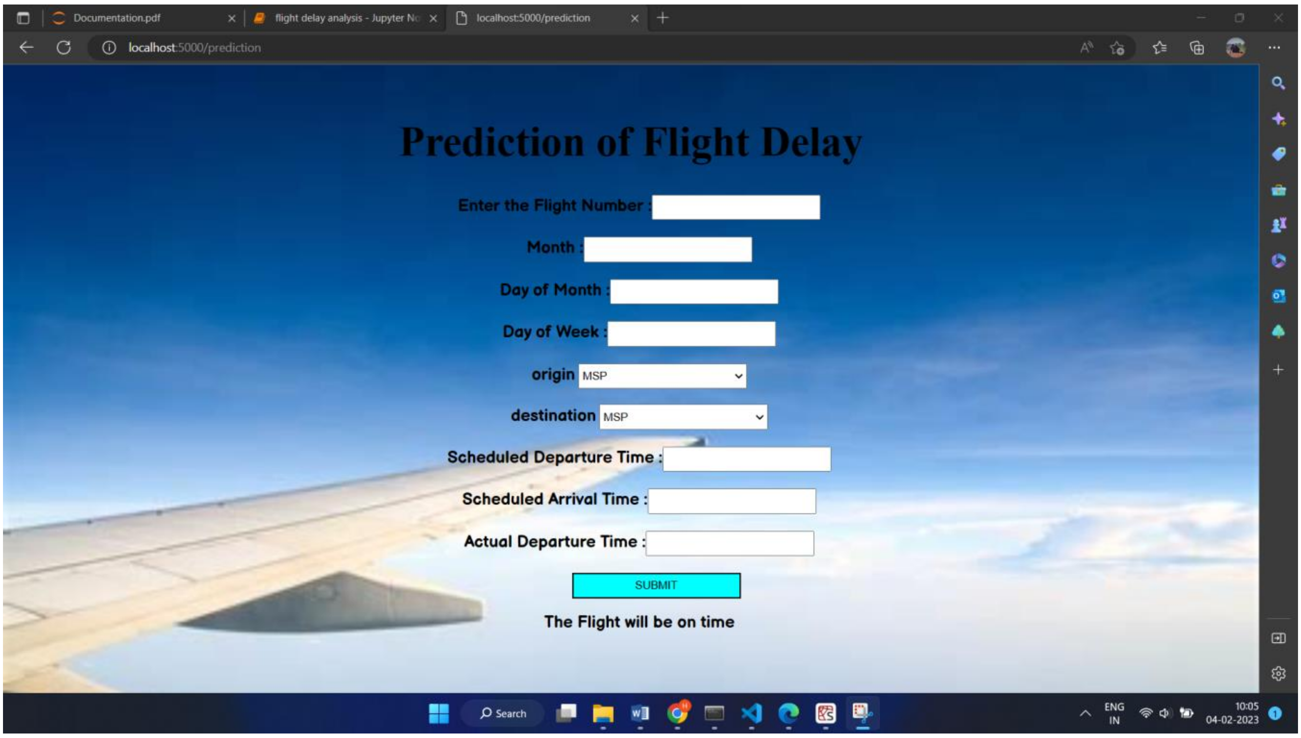
While working on the model we get to find out the calculations of flight delays are being carried out. Also, we get to know how a particular machine learning model will help finding out the delay process of a flight.

5. FLOWCHART



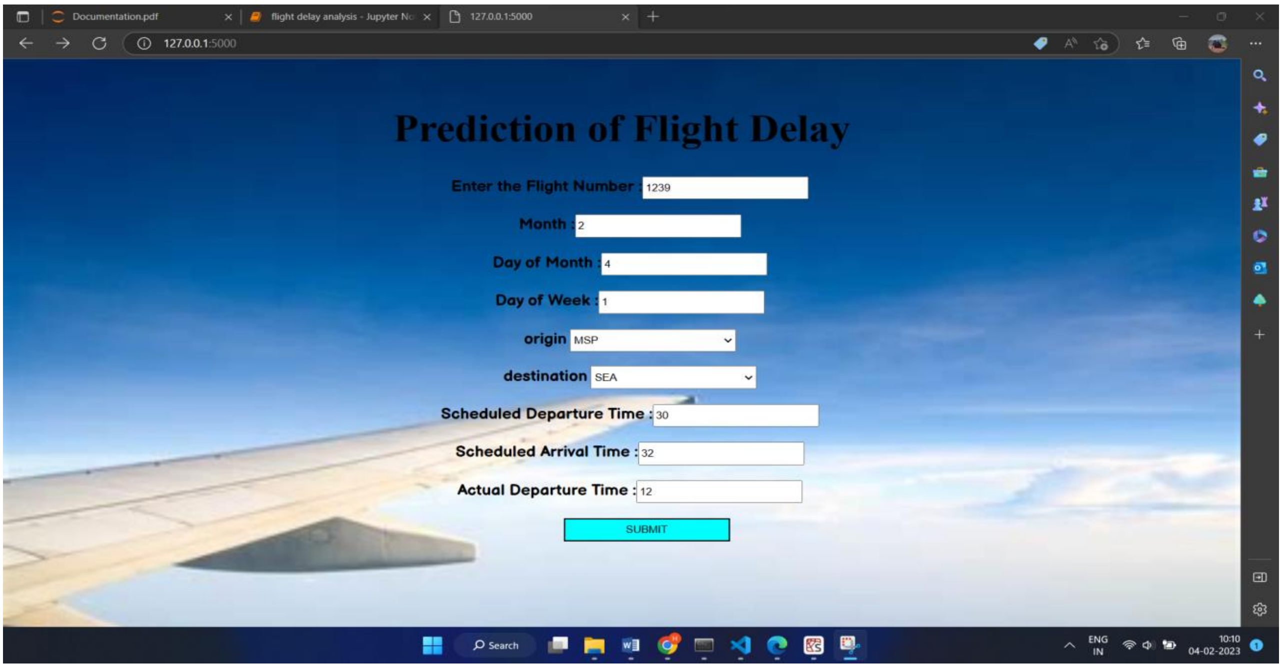
6. RESULT

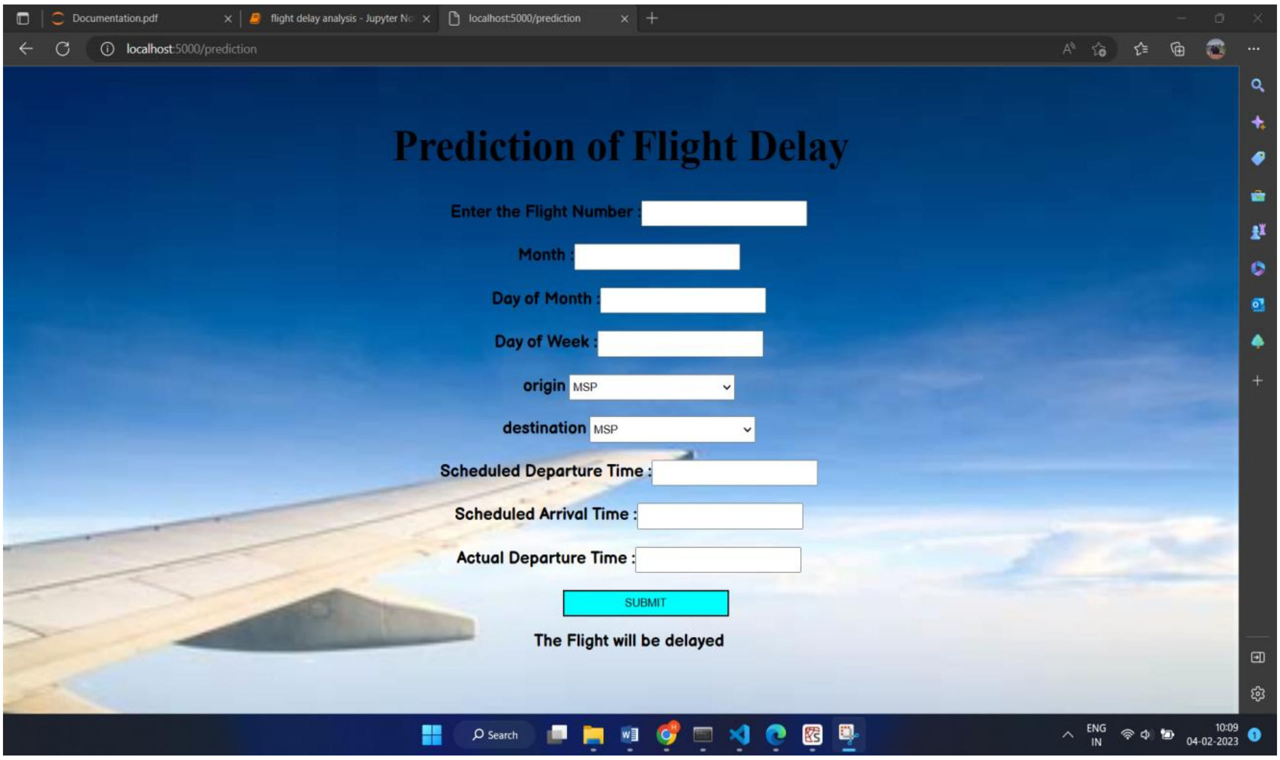




Here the actual and scheduled departure time is same the flight will be on time.

Now giving values as the flight will be get delayed the output will be,


Prediction of Flight Delay
Enter the Flight Number : 1239
Month : 2
Day of Month : 4
Day of Week : 1
origin MSP
destination SEA
Scheduled Departure Time : 30
Scheduled Arrival Time : 32
Actual Departure Time : 12
SUBMIT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Day of Month :
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origin MSP
destination MSP
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Scheduled Arrival Time :
Actual Departure Time :
SUBMIT
The Flight will be delayed

7. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

Advantage: Using the flight delay system we can predict whether the flight will departure late when compared to the scheduled departure time.

Disadvantage: To use this system we need both scheduled departure time and actual departure time to calculate the delay.

8. APPLICATIONS

This can be applied for customers who wait for confirmation if the flight will arrive or will get delayed through customer service for a long time. Customers will get to know their answer pretty quick also.

9. CONCLUSION

Following this project, it is likely that the choice of approaches that can be utilised to produce notable results will be heavily influenced by the dataset's balance. Many machine learning models, such as Decision Tree Classifier, have been used to predict airplane arrival and delays. We were able to acquire a quick answer about the flight status thanks to IBM Cloud and the Flask application.

10. FUTURE SCOPE

Many machine learning models can be used to forecast airline arrival delays, including Logistic Regression, Random Forest Regression, Linear Regression, and its variation Boosted Linear Regression. Even these algorithms will be able to forecast delays with excellent accuracy when given the proper combination of input parameters. We can forecast arrival delay even without including departure delay as an attribute if weather and air traffic control information are made available. We can also estimate whether a flight will be delayed or cancelled depending on weather elements such as snow, rain, or storms.

11. BIBLIOGRAPHY

SmartInternz student portal

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APPENDIX

Source code:

Jupyter notebook

```
In [1]: import sys
        import numpy
        import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np

In [2]: dataset= pd.read_csv("flightdata.csv")

In [3]: dataset.head()
Out[3]:
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	YEAR	QUARTER	MONTH	DAY_OF_MONTH	DAY_OF_WEEK	UNIQUE_CARRIER	TAIL_NUM	FL_NUM	ORIGIN_AIRPORT_ID	ORIGIN	...	CRS_ARR_TIME	AI
0	2016	1	1	1	5	DL	N836DN	1399	10397	ATL	...	2143	
1	2016	1	1	1	5	DL	N964DN	1476	11433	DTW	...	1435	
2	2016	1	1	1	5	DL	N813DN	1597	10397	ATL	...	1215	
3	2016	1	1	1	5	DL	N587NW	1768	14747	SEA	...	1335	
4	2016	1	1	1	5	DL	N836DN	1823	14747	SEA	...	607	

5 rows × 26 columns

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In [4]: dataset.isnull().any()

In [6]: dataset['DEST'].unique()
Out[6]: array(['SEA', 'MSP', 'DTW', 'ATL', 'JFK'], dtype=object)

In [7]: dataset = dataset.drop('Unnamed: 25', axis=1)
        dataset.isnull().sum()
Out[7]: YEAR                   0
        QUARTER                0
        MONTH                  0
        DAY_OF_MONTH           0
        DAY_OF_WEEK            0
        UNIQUE_CARRIER         0
        TAIL_NUM               0
        FL_NUM                 0
        ORIGIN_AIRPORT_ID      0
        ORIGIN                 0
        DEST_AIRPORT_ID        0
        DEST                   0
        CRS_DEP_TIME           0
        DEP_TIME             107
        DEP_DELAY            107
        DEP_DEL15            107
        CRS_ARR_TIME           0
        ARR_TIME             115
        ARR_DELAY            188

In [8]: import seaborn as sns
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Out[9]:

	YEAR	QUARTER	MONTH	DAY_OF_MONTH	DAY_OF_WEEK	FL_NUM	ORIGIN_AIRPORT_ID	DEST_AIRPORT_ID	CRS_DEP_TIME	DEP_
count	11231.0	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11231.000000	11124.00
mean	2016.0	2.544475	6.628973	15.790758	3.960199	1334.325617	12334.516695	12302.274508	1320.798326	1327.18
std	0.0	1.090701	3.354678	8.782056	1.995257	811.875227	1595.026510	1601.988550	490.737845	500.30
min	2016.0	1.000000	1.000000	1.000000	1.000000	7.000000	10397.000000	10397.000000	10.000000	1.00
25%	2016.0	2.000000	4.000000	8.000000	2.000000	624.000000	10397.000000	10397.000000	905.000000	905.00
50%	2016.0	3.000000	7.000000	16.000000	4.000000	1267.000000	12478.000000	12478.000000	1320.000000	1324.00
75%	2016.0	3.000000	9.000000	23.000000	6.000000	2032.000000	13487.000000	13487.000000	1735.000000	1739.00
max	2016.0	4.000000	12.000000	31.000000	7.000000	2853.000000	14747.000000	14747.000000	2359.000000	2400.00

8 rows × 22 columns

In [12]:
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sns.heatmap(dataset.corr())
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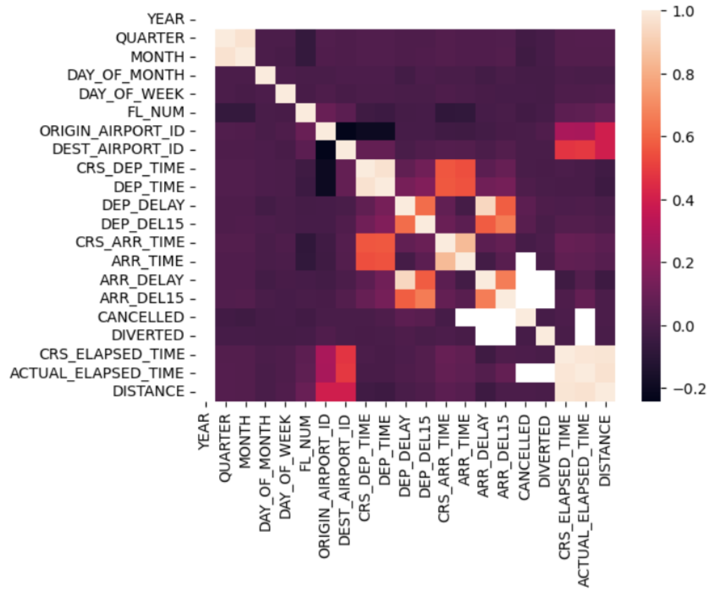
Out[12]: <AxesSubplot:>



In [32]:
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#filter the dataset to eliminate columns that aren't relevant to a predictive model.
dataset = dataset[["FL_NUM", "MONTH", "DAY_OF_MONTH", "DAY_OF_WEEK", "ORIGIN", "DEST", "CRS_ARR_TIME","DEP_DEL15", "ARR_DEL15"]]
dataset.isnull().sum()
```

Out[32]:
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FL_NUM            0
MONTH             0
DAY_OF_MONTH      0
DAY_OF_WEEK       0
ORIGIN            0
DEST              0
CRS_ARR_TIME      0
DEP_DEL15       107
ARR_DEL15       188
dtype: int64
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In [ ]:
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dataset[dataset.isnull().any(axis=1)].head(10)
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In [ ]:
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dataset['DEP_DEL15'].mode()
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In [ ]:
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#replace the missing values with 1s.
dataset = dataset.fillna({'ARR_DEL15': 1})
dataset = dataset.fillna({'DEP_DEL15': 0})
dataset.iloc[177:185]
```

In [ ]:
```
import math

for index, row in dataset.iterrows():
    dataset.loc[index, 'CRS_ARR_TIME'] = math.floor(row['CRS_ARR_TIME'] / 100)
dataset.head()
```

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In [ ]: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
        le = LabelEncoder()
        dataset['DEST'] = le.fit_transform(dataset['DEST'])
        dataset['ORIGIN'] = le.fit_transform(dataset['ORIGIN'])

In [ ]: dataset.head(5)

In [ ]: dataset['ORIGIN'].unique()

        dataset = pd.get_dummies(dataset, columns=['ORIGIN', 'DEST'])
        dataset.head()

In [14]: x = dataset.iloc[:, 0:8].values
         y = dataset.iloc[:, 8:9].values

In [15]: x

Out[15]: array([[2016, 1, 1, ..., 'DL', 'N836DN', 1399],
                [2016, 1, 1, ..., 'DL', 'N964DN', 1476],
                [2016, 1, 1, ..., 'DL', 'N813DN', 1597],
                ...,
                [2016, 4, 12, ..., 'DL', 'N583NW', 1823],
                [2016, 4, 12, ..., 'DL', 'N554NW', 1901],
                [2016, 4, 12, ..., 'DL', 'N843DN', 2005]], dtype=object)

In [16]: y

In [17]: x.shape

Out[17]: (11231, 8)

In [18]: y.shape

Out[18]: (11231, 1)

In [19]: from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
         oh = OneHotEncoder()
         z=oh.fit_transform(x[:,4:5]).toarray()
         t=oh.fit_transform(x[:,5:6]).toarray()
         #x=np.delete(x,[4,7],axis=1)

In [20]: z

Out[20]: array([[0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.],
                [0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.],
                [0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.],
                ...,
                [0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.],
                [0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.],
                [0., 0., 0., ..., 1., 0., 0.]])

In [21]: t

Out[21]: array([[1.],
                [1.],
                [1.],
                ...,
                [1.],
                [1.],
                [1.]])

In [22]: x=np.delete(x,[4,5],axis=1)
```

In [52]:
```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(x,y,test_size=0.2,random_state=0)
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```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
train_x, test_x, train_y, test_y = train_test_split(dataset.drop('ARR_DEL15', axis=1), df['ARR_DEL15'], test_size=0.2,
random_state=0)
```

In [53]:
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x_test.shape
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Out[53]: (2247, 16)

In [54]:
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x_train.shape
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Out[54]: (8984, 16)

In [55]:
```
y_test.shape
```
Out[55]: (2247, 1)

In [56]:
```
y_train.shape
```
Out[56]: (8984, 1)

In [57]:
```
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
sc = StandardScaler()
x_train = sc.fit_transform(x_train)
x_test = sc.transform(x_test)
```

In [58]:
```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
classifier = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state = 0)
classifier.fit(x_train,y_train)
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Out[58]: DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=0)

In [59]:
```
decisiontree = classifier.predict(x_test)
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In [60]:
```
decisiontree
```
Out[60]: array([1., 0., 0., ..., 0., 0., 1.])

In [61]:
```
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
desacc = accuracy_score(y_test,decisiontree)
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In [62]:
```
desacc
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Out[62]: 0.8673787271918113

In [63]:
```
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test,decisiontree)
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In [64]:
```
cm
```
Out[64]:
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array([[1777,  159],
       [ 139,  172]], dtype=int64)
```

In [65]:
```
import sklearn.metrics as metrics
fpr1 ,tpr1 ,threshold1 =metrics.roc_curve(y_test,decisiontree)
roc_auc1 = metrics.auc(fpr1,tpr1)
```

In [66]:
```
fpr1
```
Out[66]: array([0.   , 0.0821281, 1.   ])

In [67]:
```
tpr1
```
Out[67]: array([0.   , 0.55305466, 1.   ])

In [68]:
```
threshold1
```
Out[68]: array([2., 1., 0.])

In [69]:
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.title("roc")
plt.plot(fpr1,tpr1,'b',label = 'Auc = %0.2f'% roc_auc1)
plt.legend(loc = 'lower right')
plt.plot([0,1],[0,1],'r--')
plt.xlim([0,1])
plt.ylim([0,1])
plt.xlabel('tpr')
plt.ylabel('fpr')
plt.show()
```

In [70]:
```
import pickle
pickle.dump(classifier,open('flight.pkl','wb'))
```

app.py

```
from flask import Flask,render_template,request

import pickle
import numpy as np
model = pickle.load(open('flight.pkl','rb'))

app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def home():
    return render_template("index.html")


@app.route('/prediction',methods =['POST'])
def predict():
    name = request.form['name']
    month = request.form['month']
    dayofmonth = request.form['dayofmonth']
    dayofweek = request.form['dayofweek']
    origin = request.form['origin']
    if(origin == "msp"):
        origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5 = 0,0,0,0,1
    if(origin == "dtw"):
        origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5 = 1,0,0,0,0
    if(origin == "jfk"):
         origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5 = 0,0,1,0,0
    if(origin == "sea"):
         origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5 = 0,1,0,0,0
    if(origin == "alt"):
         origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5 = 0,0,0,1,0

    destination = request.form['destination']
    if(destination == "msp"):
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```
        destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5 = 0,0,0,0,1
    if(destination == "dtw"):
        destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5 = 1,0,0,0,0
    if(destination == "jfk"):
        destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5 = 0,0,1,0,0
    if(destination == "sea"):
        destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5 = 0,1,0,0,0
    if(destination == "alt"):
        destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5 = 0,0,0,1,0
    dept = request.form['dept']
    arrtime = request.form['arrtime']
    actdept = request.form['actdept']
    dept15=int(dept)-int(actdept)
    total =
[[name,month,dayofmonth,dayofweek,origin1,origin2,origin3,origin4,orgin5,destination1,destination2,destination3,destination4,destination5,int(arrtime),int(dept15)]]
    #print(total)
    y_pred = model.predict(total)

    print(y_pred)

    if(y_pred==[0.]):
        ans="The Flight will be on time"
    else:
        ans="The Flight will be delayed"
    return render_template("index.html",showcase = ans)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug = True)
```