

# RIDESHARING FARE PREDICTABILITY WITH W/SPARK AND AZURE MACHINE LEARNING STUDIO

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#### INTRODUCTION

- Uber has recently been in the news for several topics:
  - The use of data science to create the algorithm for surge pricing created to incentivize drivers.
  - Lawsuits by cities due to unfair pricing practices.
- Can we use Data Science to predict Uber's surge pricing algorithm?

## **GITHUB**

https://github.com/NinaRo2/CIS5560

## TECHNOLOGY STACK

- JupyterLab
- DataBricks
- Hadoop and Oracle Cloud
- Azure ML Studio
- AWS S3



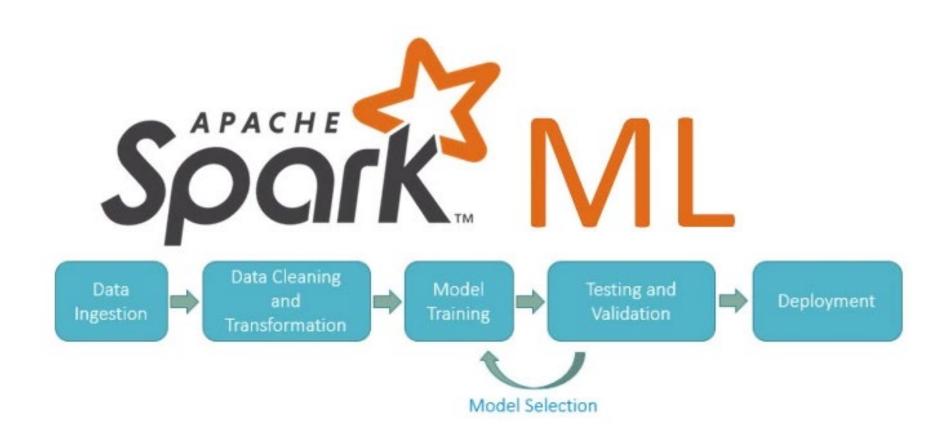






**Azure** Machine Learning

## SOFTWARE AND TOOLS



#### DATASET



- <a href="https://data.cityofchicago.org/Transportation/Transportation-Network-Providers-Trips-2019/iu3g-qa69">https://data.cityofchicago.org/Transportation/Transportation-Network-Providers-Trips-2019/iu3g-qa69</a>
- 2.2 gigabytes, 8,675,393 rows and 21 columns.

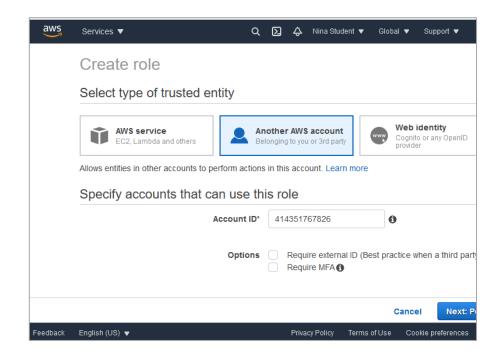
#### DATASET - SELECTED DATA POINTS

Transportation Network Provider Attribute Types - Selected Data Points					
Data Point	Description	Width	Decimal	Data Type	Data Sample
Trip ID	A unique identifier for the trip.	40	0	Categorical	003dd08da70461f811 e7753fbaec03970414 bddf
Trip Start Timestamp	When the trip started, rounded to the nearest 15 minutes.	22	0	Categorical	1/1/2019 0:00
Trip End Timestamp	When the trip ended, rounded to the nearest 15 minutes.	22	3	Categorical	1/1/2019 0:30
Trip Seconds	Time of the trip in seconds.	6		Numerical (Cont.)	1722
Trip Miles	Distance of the trip in miles.	5	0	Numerical (Disc.)	9.5
Pickup Community Area	The Community Area where the trip began. This column will be blank for locations outside Chicago.		0	Categorical	8
Dropoff Community Area	The Community Area where the trip ended. This column will be blank for locations outside Chicago.	2	2	Categorical	I
Fare	The fare for the trip, rounded to the nearest \$2.50.	5	2	Numerical (Disc.)	17.5
Tip	The tip for the trip, rounded to the nearest \$1.00. Cash tips will not be recorded.	3	2	Numerical (Disc.)	0

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- One option is to divide the presentation into one module for each member of the group. In this case, you may have submodules as well.
- The other option is to divide the presentation into smaller modules and choose and select the modules that would be presented by each member of the group.

#### IMPLEMENTATION

- Worked in JupyterLab to split of sample dataset to use in Azure ML Studio and DataBricks Community Edition
- Imported sample files to both Azure ML
   Studio DataBricks Community Edition
- Created AWS Role and Policy and connected to DataBricks – however trial account did not connect



#### DATA ENGINEERING

- Used Python to add a calculated column in JupyterLabs IDE using Lambda function
  - df.assign(AvgFareMile=lambda x: x.Fare / x.TripMiles)

Split off sample file using parser

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df['TripStartTimestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(df['TripStartTimestamp'])
# calculate mask
mask = df['TripStartTimestamp'].between('2019-09-23', '2019-10-01')
# output masked dataframes
df[~mask].to_csv('trip_small3.csv', index=False)
df[mask].to_csv('trip_small4.csv', index=False)
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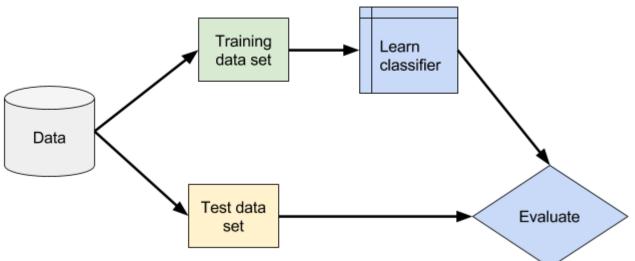
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#### METHODOLOGY



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#### MODEL 1

Classification – Two Class Decision Forest w/Permutation Feature Importance

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## MODEL 2

Multiple Linear Regression w/Parameter Tuning

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## MODEL 3

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#### SUCCESSES

- Working with DataFrames is better than working with code in IDEs such as Spyder
- Learned a lot about Data Science

#### CHALLENGES

- Working with a large sample file of one week in both Azure ML Studio and DataBricks was difficult. File uploads crashed multiple times.
- No background in data science



Q&A