CAPSTONE PROJECT

POWER SYSTEM FAULT DETECTION AND CLASSIFICATION

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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 proposed system uses machine learning to detect and classify faults in a power distribution system based on electrical measurement data (e.g., voltage and current phasors). It consists of the following components

Data Collection:

Acquire voltage and current phasor data under various conditions, including normal operation and different fault types (line-to-ground, line-to-line, three-phase).

Data Preprocessing:

Clean the data, handle missing values, and extract key features such as phasor magnitude, angle changes, and symmetrical components.

Machine Learning Algorithm:

Train a supervised machine learning model (e.g., Random Forest, SVM, CNN, or LSTM) to classify the type of fault based on labeled data.

Deployment:

Deploy the model to monitor incoming data streams and provide real-time fault classification with minimal latency.

Evaluation:

Measure performance using accuracy, precision, recall, and confusion matrix. Continuously update the model with new data for improved accuracy.

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SYSTEM APPROACH

Hardware:

- Processor: Intel i5 or higher
- RAM: 8–16 GB

Software:

- OS: Windows, Linux, or macOS
- Python 3.7+

Required Libraries

- Data Processing: numpy, pandas.
- Visualization: matplotlib, seabor.
- Machine Learning, scikit-learn, xgboost, tensorflow or keras.
- Utilities: joblib, pickle, scipy.signal.

ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

Algorithm Selection:

An **LSTM network** is selected for its ability to model time-dependent patterns in electrical phasor data, making it effective for detecting and classifying different fault types in power systems.

Data Input:

The model takes voltage and current magnitudes and angles, sequence components, timestamps, and frequency changes as input features to differentiate normal operation from faults like line-to-ground, line-to-line, and three-phase faults.

Training Process:

The model is trained on annotated historical or simulated datasets, using techniques like cross-validation and hyperparameter tuning to optimize performance and avoid overfitting.

Prediction Process:

In deployment, the model analyzes streaming sensor data in real time to identify and classify faults quickly, supporting prompt grid protection actions.

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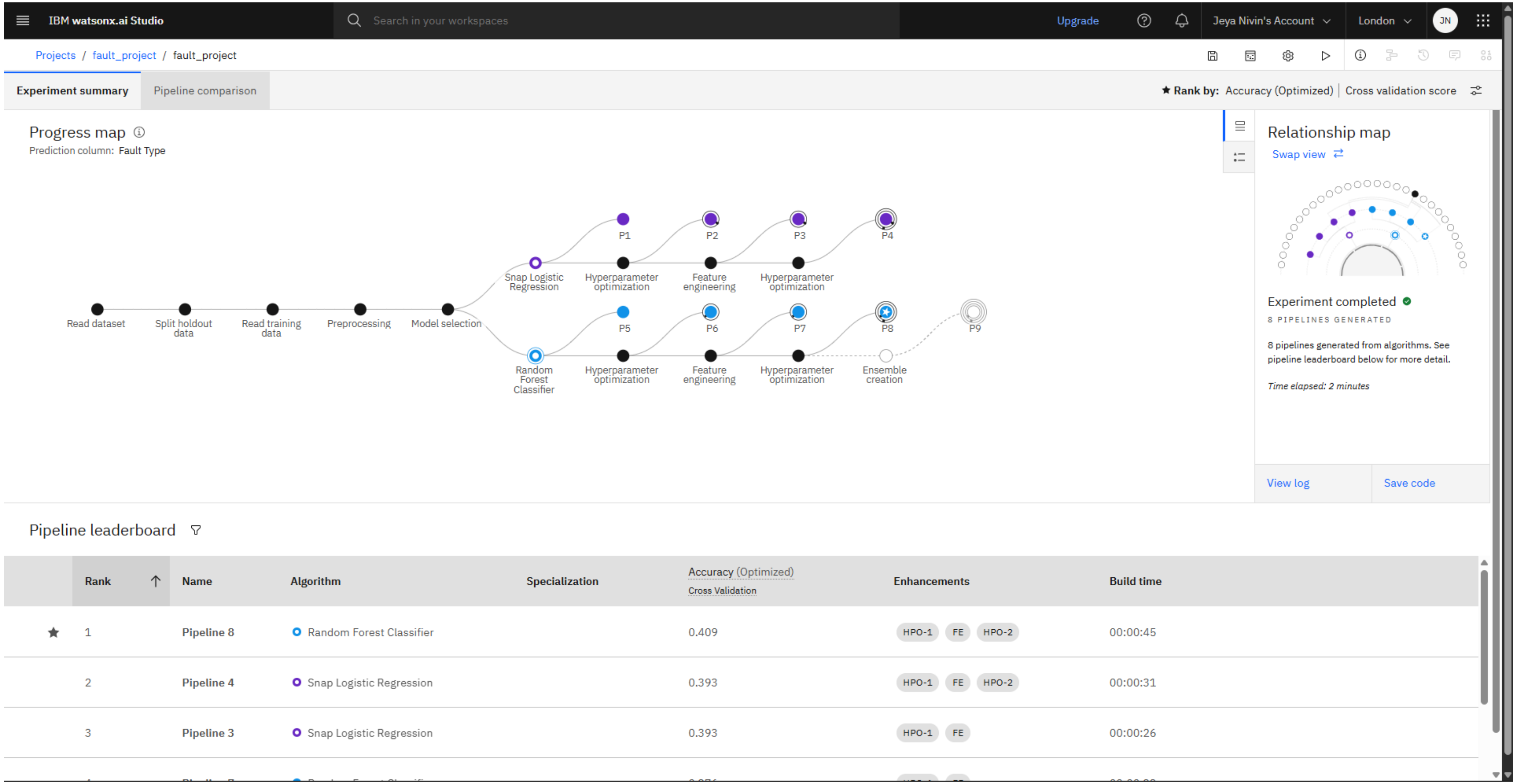

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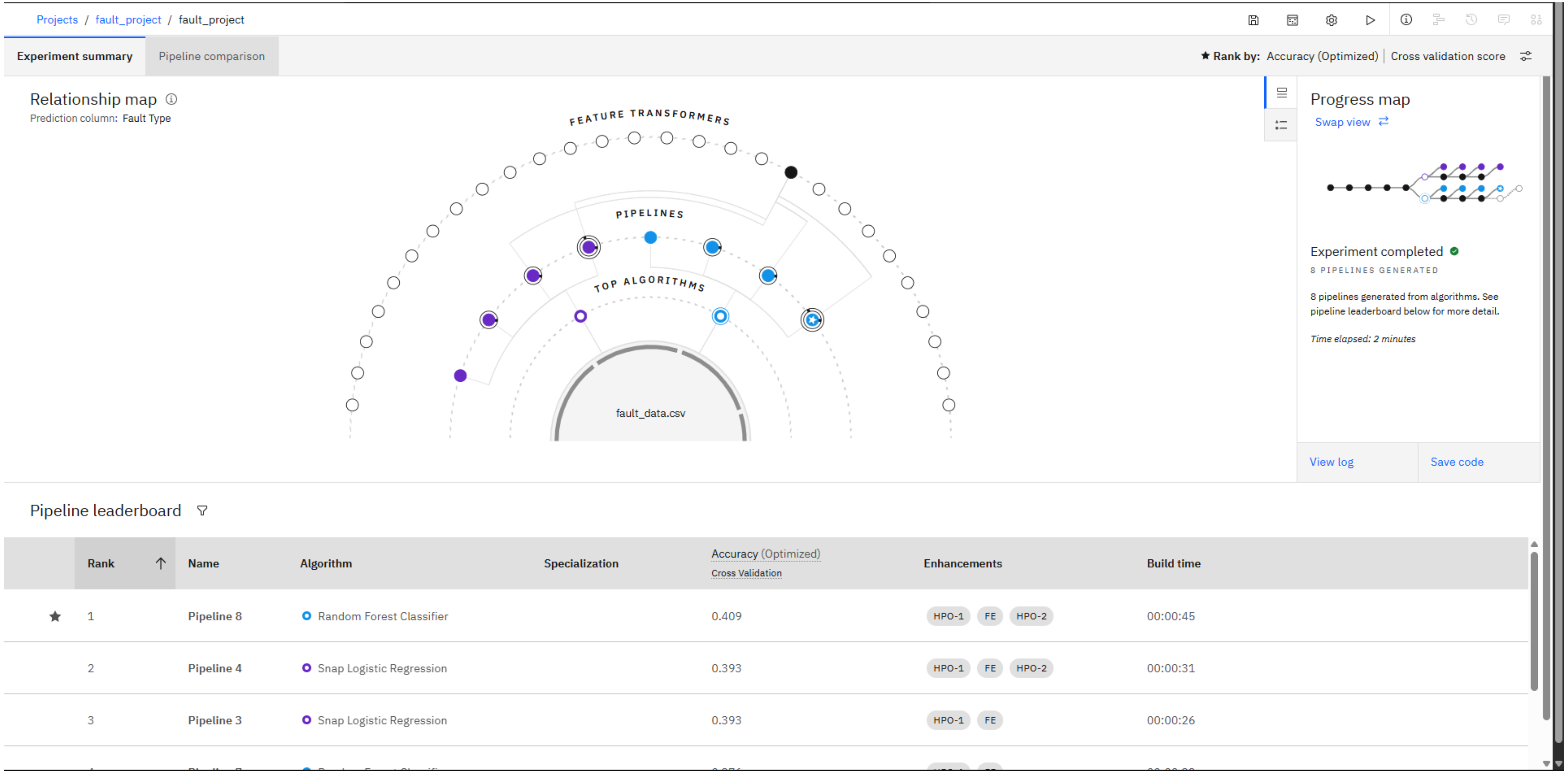
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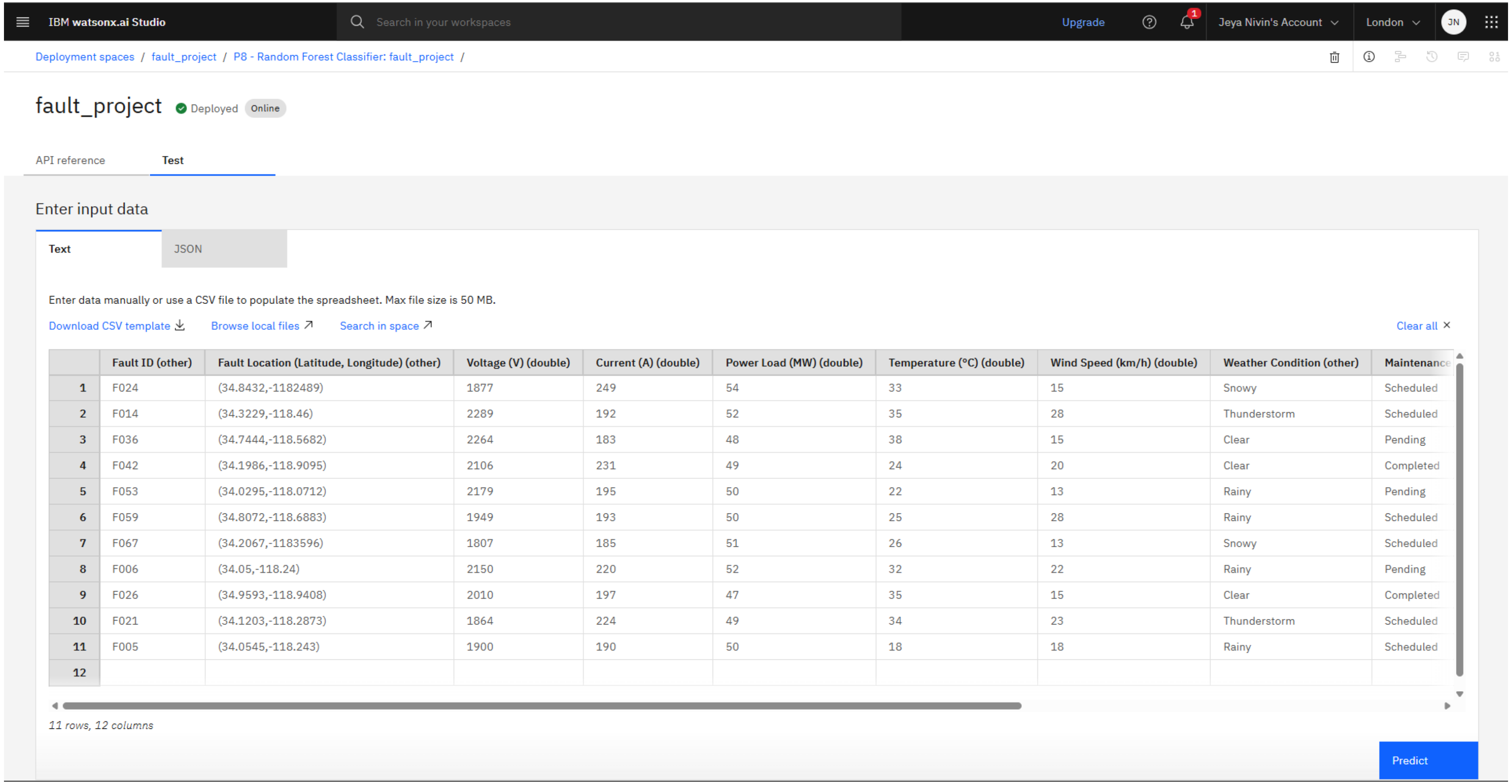

	Fault ID (other)	Fault Location (Latitude, Longitude) (other)	Voltage (V) (double)	Current (A) (double)	Power Load (MW) (double)	Temperature (°C) (double)	Wind Speed (km/h) (double)	Weather Condition (other)	Maintenance
1	F024	(34.8432,-1182489)	1877	249	54	33	15	Snowy	Scheduled
2	F014	(34.3229,-118.46)	2289	192	52	35	28	Thunderstorm	Scheduled
3	F036	(34.7444,-118.5682)	2264	183	48	38	15	Clear	Pending
4	F042	(34.1986,-118.9095)	2106	231	49	24	20	Clear	Completed
5	F053	(34.0295,-118.0712)	2179	195	50	22	13	Rainy	Pending
6	F059	(34.8072,-118.6883)	1949	193	50	25	28	Rainy	Scheduled
7	F067	(34.2067,-1183596)	1807	185	51	26	13	Snowy	Scheduled
8	F006	(34.05,-118.24)	2150	220	52	32	22	Rainy	Pending
9	F026	(34.9593,-118.9408)	2010	197	47	35	15	Clear	Completed
10	F021	(34.1203,-118.2873)	1864	224	49	34	23	Thunderstorm	Scheduled
11	F005	(34.0545,-118.243)	1900	190	50	18	18	Rainy	Scheduled
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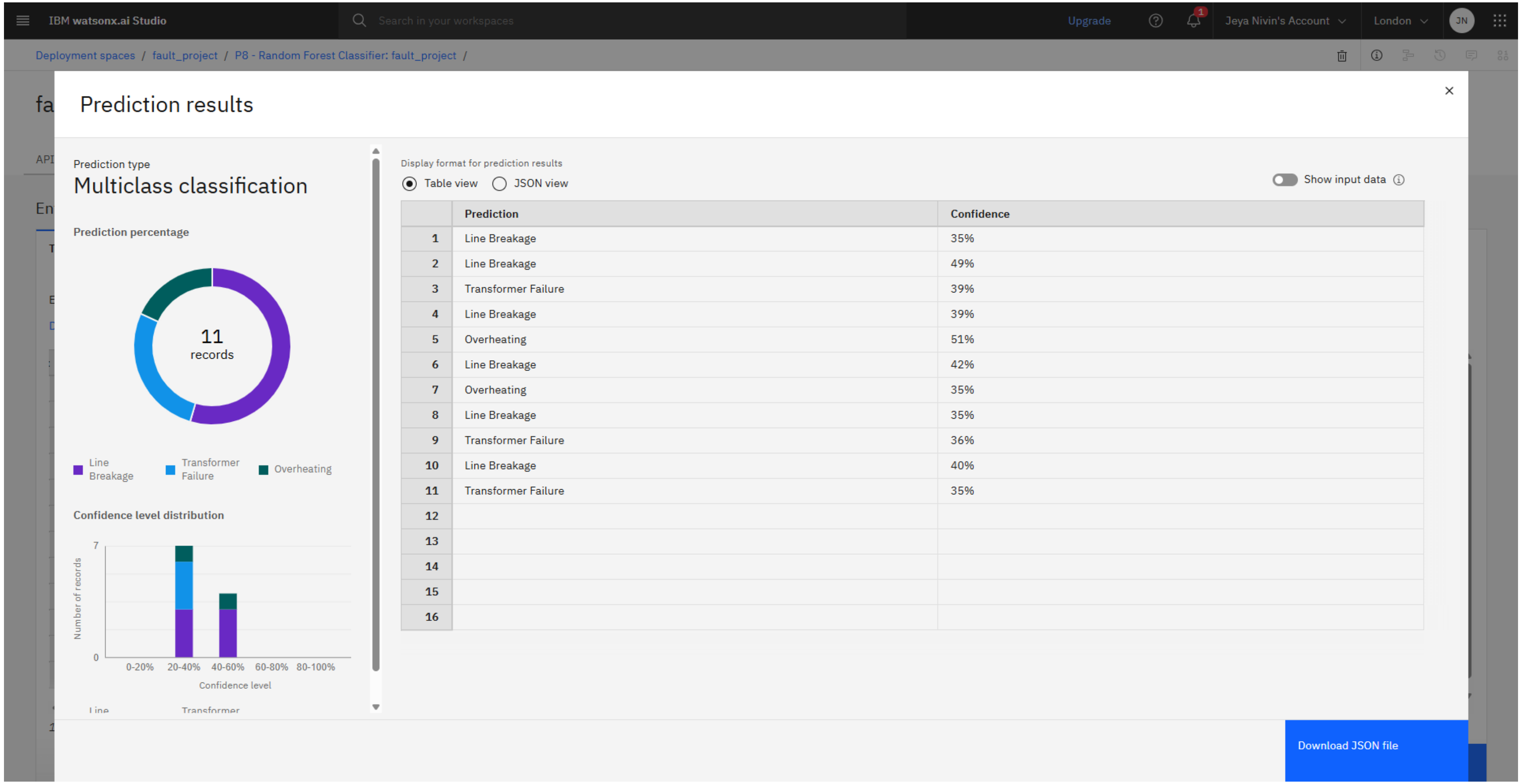
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CONCLUSION

- The machine learning model effectively detects and classifies faults in power distribution systems using voltage and current data. It accurately distinguishes normal conditions from various faults, enabling fast and reliable fault identification to maintain grid stability.
- Challenges included handling noisy data and ensuring real-time detection. Future improvements could involve better data processing and adaptive learning for enhanced accuracy.
- Accurate fault detection is crucial for minimizing outages and protecting equipment, contributing to a more resilient power grid.

FUTURE SCOPE

The system can be improved by adding more data sources like environmental and equipment metrics to boost accuracy. Advanced algorithms such as deep learning and ensemble methods can enhance performance. Expanding the model to cover multiple regions will increase its applicability. Deploying on edge devices will enable faster, real-time fault detection. Incorporating continuous learning will help the system adapt to new fault patterns. Integration with smart grid technologies will support quicker fault isolation and recovery.

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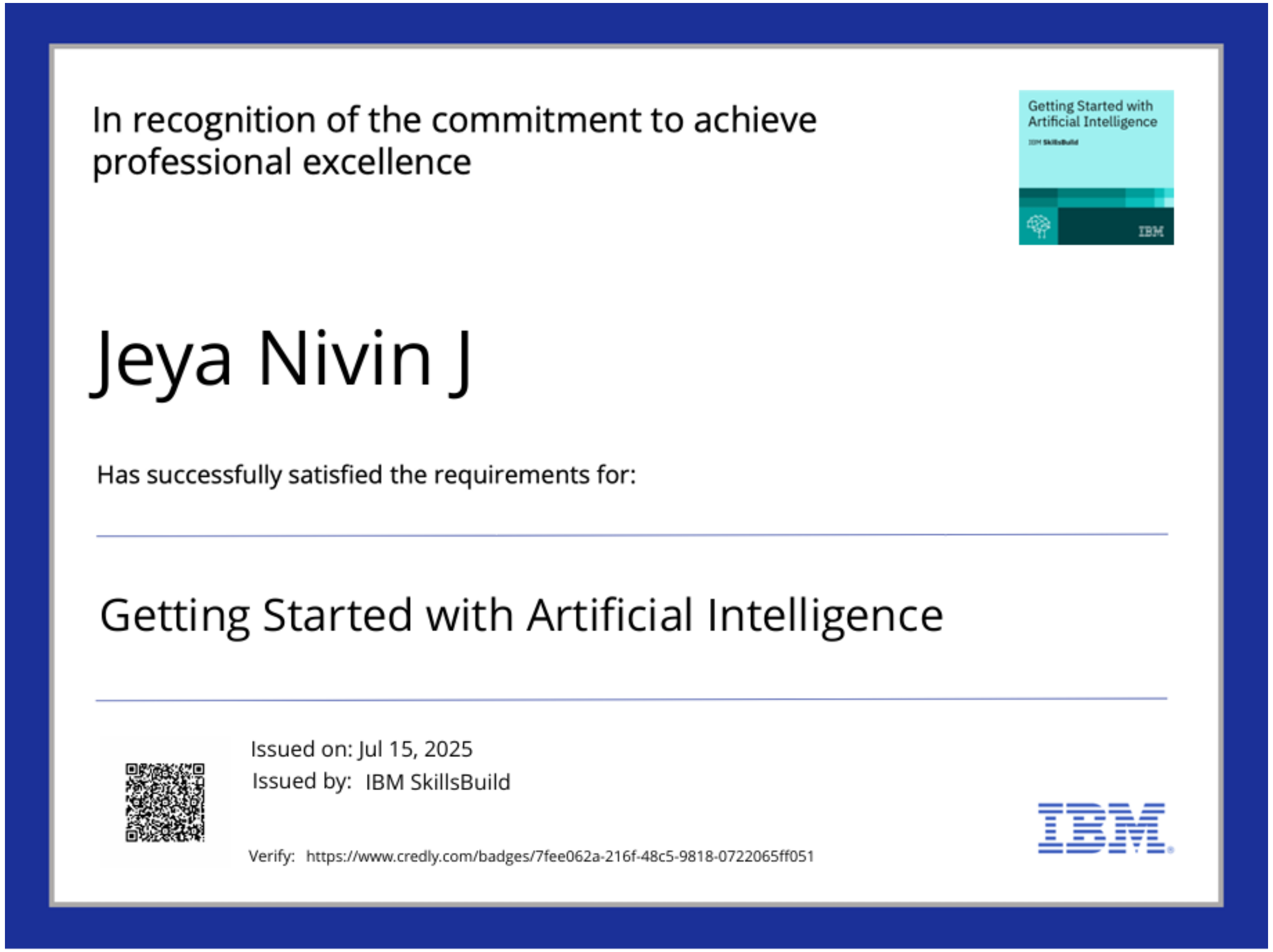

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