



CMP4011 Big Data and Cloud Computing

Project Report

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Problem Statement:

Road safety is a critical concern, and understanding accident patterns can help cities improve traffic management and reduce accident rates. This project aims to analyze accident data to identify high-risk locations, contributing factors, and potential mitigation strategies. By leveraging big data processing, we will extract valuable insights for transportation authorities and urban planners.

Dataset

Dataset Name: US Accidents (2016 - 2023)

Link: <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/sobhanmoosavi/us-accidents>

Description:

- Contains 7.7 million accident records with 46 columns
- Main features of accident are (Severity of Accident, Time, Location, Weather, Road Characteristics)

Planned Approach or Proposed Solution:

1. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

- Analyze accident severity distribution and trends over time.
- Identify correlations between weather conditions, traffic signals, and accident severity.

2. Descriptive Analysis:

- Implement K-Means clustering with MapReduce to identify accident hotspots
- Apriori algorithm for association rule mining to discover patterns in accident contributing factors

3. Predictive Analysis:

- Apply Classification models (Random Forest, SVM) to predict accident severity based on environmental and traffic factors.
- Implement Regression models (Linear Regression, Gradient Boosting) to estimate accident frequency per location.

4. Big Data Implementation:

- Use Python & Apache Spark.
- Implement K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) using MapReduce to classify accident severity based on past accident characteristics.
- Deploy on Azure (Maybe Azure HDInsight) for real-time accident risk analysis.