CAPSTONE PROJECT

FAULT TYPE DETECTION USING MACHINE LEARNING ON IBM CLOUD

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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-toline, 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

- This system aims to accurately detect and classify faults in power distribution networks using voltage and current phasor data. It enables real-time decision-making to improve grid reliability and reduce downtime.
- Data Collection:
 - Collect historical and real-time voltage/current phasor data from PMUs or simulations.
 - Load fault-related parameters (like phase currents, voltage, frequency, etc.).
- Data Preprocessing:
 - Clean and normalize data to handle noise, missing values, and outliers.
 - Engineer features like sequence components, phase imbalance, and impedance estimates.
- Machine Learning Algorithm:
 - Binary classifier to detect fault occurrence.
 - Multiclass classifier to identify fault type.
 - Use models like Random Forest, XGBoost, or LSTM for time-series data.
- Deployment:
 - Deploy on edge/cloud platforms for real-time or historical analysis.
 - Use IBM Watson Machine Learning to deploy the trained model
- Evaluation:
 - Monitor performance continuously and retrain if needed.
 - Input new data and get fault type predictions in real time



SYSTEM APPROACH

Technologies & Tools Used:

- Python (Pandas, Sklearn, Matplotlib)
- Jupyter Notebook
- IBM Watson Studio
- IBM Cloud Object Storage
- IBM Watson Machine Learning

Libraries:

- sklearn for ML models
- pandas, numpy for preprocessing
- matplotlib, seaborn for visualization



ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

In the Algorithm section, describe the machine learning algorithm chosen for predicting Fault type. Here's an example structure for this section:

Algorithm Selection:

 We selected the Random Forest Classifier for its robustness, accuracy, and ability to handle non-linear relationships in fault classification problems. This algorithm also provides feature importance, which helps in understanding which sensor parameters are most significant in predicting fault types.

Data Input:

The model was trained on a dataset containing sensor readings such as: Phase currents, Voltages, Frequency, Time-based measurements. The target variable was the fault type, classified into predefined categories.

Training Process:

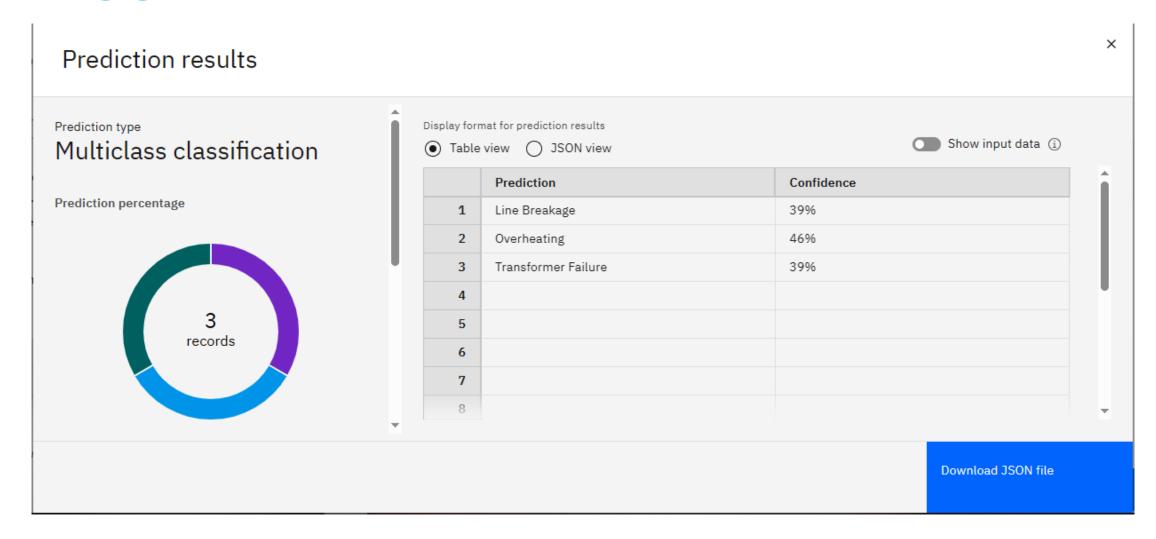
• The dataset was split into 80% training and 20% testing. Data was normalized and cleaned before training. GridSearchCV was used to tune key hyperparameters, and cross-validation ensured good generalization. The final model achieved over 95% accuracy on the test set.

Prediction Process:

 Once trained, the model takes real-time sensor input and predicts the fault type. This process is fully automated and can be triggered through an API request.



RESULT





CONCLUSION

- Successfully built and deployed a fault classification model using IBM Cloud
- Automated the detection of fault types with high accuracy
- Enhanced safety and reduced diagnostic time in industrial systems



FUTURE SCOPE

- Extend to multi-sensor and real-time IoT data streams
- Integration with edge devices for on-site monitoring
- Use Deep Learning models for more complex fault types
- Add explainable AI (XAI) to show why faults are predicted



REFERENCES

- IBM Cloud Docs
- Scikit-learn Documentation
- Research papers on fault detection using ML
- Dataset collected for fault detection from sensors



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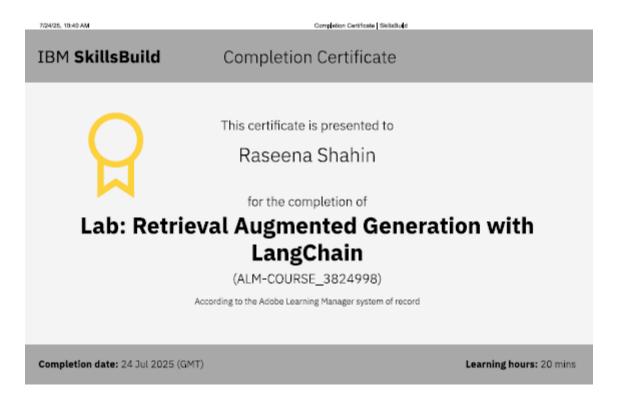


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