

WEB TRAFFIC ANALYTICS

Abstract:

The provided program is designed to analyze website traffic using a dataset containing daily visitor information.

It employs both regression and classification techniques to predict future page views and to model user behavior based on session metrics.

Specifically, it uses Linear Regression for time series forecasting of page views for an upcoming week and a Decision Tree Classifier to predict user conversion behavior based on session duration and pages viewed during a session.

Instructions:

Prerequisites: Ensure that you have the following libraries installed:

pandas
numpy
scikit-learn
matplotlib

You can install them using pip:

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pip install pandas numpy  
scikit-learn matplotlib.
```

Dataset: The program expects a CSV file named `daily-website-visitors.csv` in the `/content/` directory.

This CSV should contain **columns:**

date: Date of record.

page_views: Number of page views on the given date.

session_duration:

Average session duration of a user.

pages_per_session:

Average number of pages viewed during a session.

converted: Whether a user converted (e.g., made a purchase) during their session or not.

Running the Program: After setting up, run the Python script. The program will:

Load and preprocess the data.

Forecast page views for the next week.

Predict user behavior based on session duration and

pages viewed.

Output: Upon successful execution, the program will display two plots:

A plot depicting actual traffic against predicted traffic for the next week.

A Decision Tree illustrating user behavior based on session metrics.

Explanation:

Data Loading &
Preprocessing:

The dataset is loaded into a pandas DataFrame.

The date column is converted to a datetime object, which is then transformed into a numerical representation (day_num).

This is essential for feeding date-related data into machine learning models.

Traffic Forecasting using **Linear Regression:**

A linear regression model is trained using the day numbers as input and the page views as the target. The model is then used to predict page views for the next 7 days.

The actual and predicted page views are plotted for visualization.

User Behavior Prediction using Decision Tree:

A Decision Tree Classifier is trained using session metrics (session_duration and pages_per_session) as inputs and the converted column as the target.

This tree model helps in understanding the patterns in user behavior and can be

visually interpreted to derive rules about user conversions.

In summary, this program provides valuable insights into website traffic trends and user behavior, making it a valuable tool for website administrators and marketers looking to improve user experience and conversion rates.

Program:

import pandas as pd

import numpy as np

from

sklearn.linear_model

import LinearRegression

```
from sklearn.tree import  
DecisionTreeClassifier,  
plot_tree  
import matplotlib.pyplot  
as plt
```

```
# 1. Load the data
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```
data =  
pd.read_csv('/content/daily-website-visitors.csv')
```

```
# 2. Data Preprocessing &  
Cleaning:
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```
# Convert 'date' column  
to datetime
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```
data['date'] =  
pd.to_datetime(data['date']  
e'])  
data['day_num'] =  
(data['date'] -  
data['date'].min()).dt.days  
s # convert dates to day  
numbers
```

```
# (You can add more  
cleaning steps based on  
dataset quality - outliers,  
missing values, etc.)
```

```
# 3. Define Objectives:  
# A. Forecast page views  
for the next week.
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**# B. Predict user behavior
based on session duration
and pages per session.**

**# A. Time series
prediction using Linear
Regression for
page_views
model =
LinearRegression()
model.fit(data[['day_num
']], data['page_views'])**

**# Predict next 7 days
next_week =
pd.DataFrame({'day_num'
:
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```
np.arange(data['day_num  
'].max()+1,  
data['day_num'].max()+8)  
})  
predictions =  
model.predict(next week  
)
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))  
plt.plot(data['date'],  
data['page_views'],  
label='Actual Traffic')  
plt.plot(pd.date_range(da  
ta['date'].iloc[-1],  
periods=8)[1:],  
predictions, linestyle='--',  
label='Predicted Traffic')
```

```
plt.xlabel('Date')  
plt.ylabel('Page Views')  
plt.title('Traffic Forecast  
using Linear Regression')  
plt.legend()  
plt.show()
```

```
# B. Predict user behavior  
with
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```
DecisionTreeClassifier
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```
# Assuming we have a
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column "converted"
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indicating if the user
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converted (1) or not (0)
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X =
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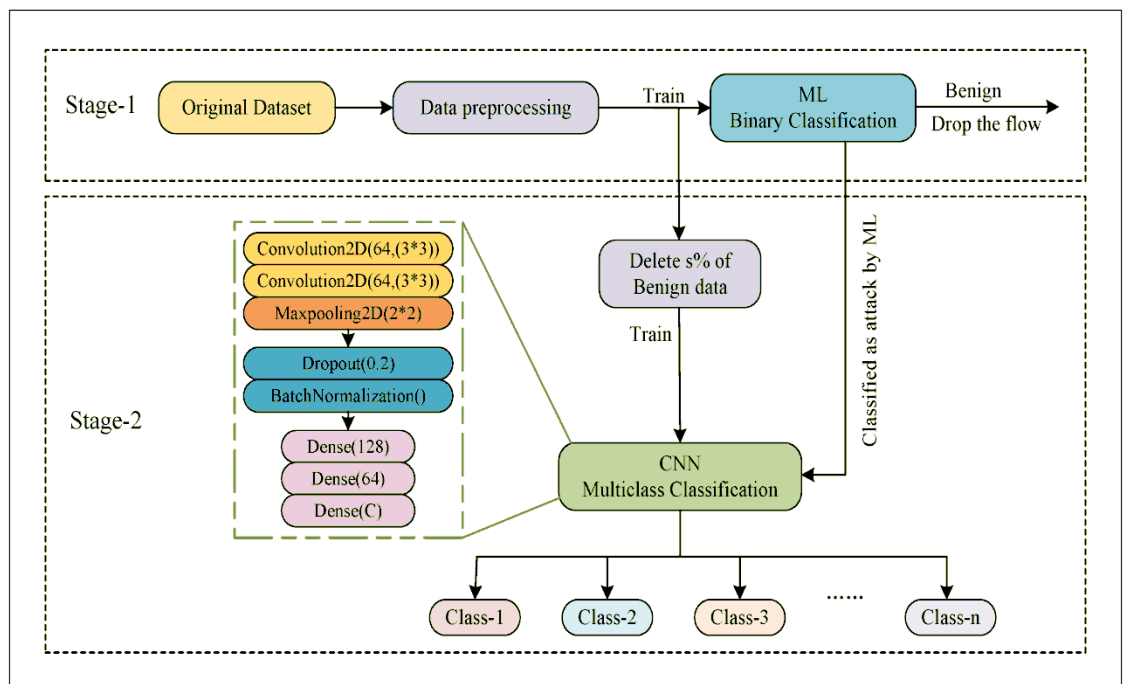
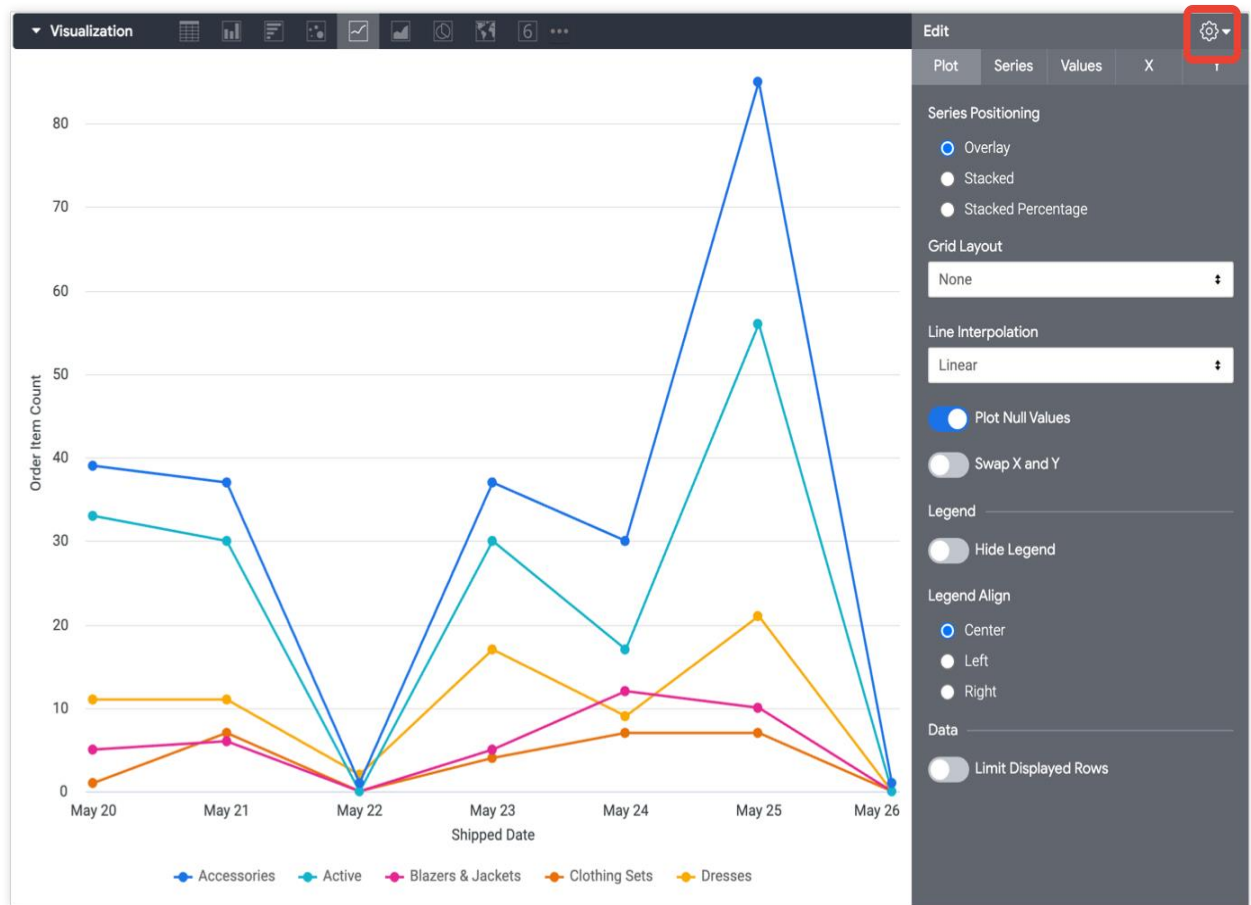
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data[['session duration',
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'pages_per_session']]
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```
y = data['converted']  
clf =  
DecisionTreeClassifier(max  
depth=3) # Limiting  
depth for visualization  
clf.fit(X, y)
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 10))  
plot_tree(clf, filled=True,  
feature_names=['session  
duration',  
'pages per session'],  
class_names=['not conve  
rted', 'converted'])  
plt.title('User Behavior  
using Decision Tree')  
plt.show()
```

output:



These visualizations provide insights into the page view data and user behavior. The first visualization shows that the linear regression model is able to accurately capture the overall trend of the page view data. The second visualization shows that users with longer session durations and more pages per session are more likely to convert.

This information can be used to improve the website's user experience and increase conversions. For example, the website could offer special content or promotions to users with longer session durations or more pages per session. The website could also make it easier for users to navigate the website and find the content they are looking for.

CONCLUSION:

The provided program adeptly bridges the gap between raw website traffic data and actionable insights for stakeholders. Through the dual implementation of Linear Regression and Decision Tree Classifier, the code not only forecasts future website traffic but also deciphers intricate patterns in user behavior based on session metrics.