

Rainfall Prediction Using Classification Algorithms

PREDICTING TOMORROW'S RAIN WITH WEATHER DATA

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Problem Statement:

Rainfall prediction is critical for agriculture, disaster management, and daily planning. This project aims to classify whether it will rain the next day based on today's weather conditions.

OBJECTIVE

To build a machine learning model that predicts whether it will rain tomorrow using historical weather data.

Challenges Tackled by the Model

Uncertainty in Weather Patterns

By analyzing historical weather data, the model detects patterns to make accurate predictions.

Urban Flood Management & Public Safety

Enables early warnings to prevent floods and manage city infrastructure.

Decision-Making for Agriculture

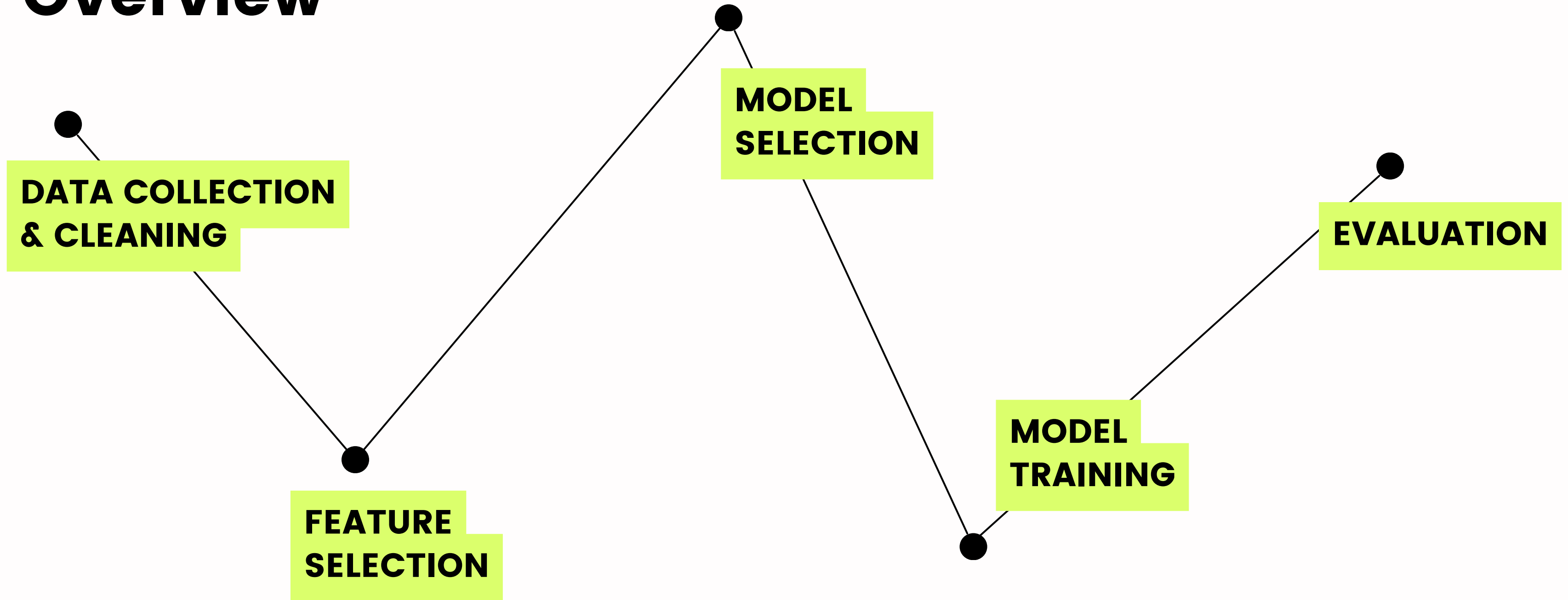
Helps farmers plan better by providing timely rain predictions.

Need for Real-Time Predictions

Delivers quick predictions using current weather inputs after training.



Methodology Overview



Data Preprocessing

Cleans and transforms raw data to make it suitable for model training.

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HANDLING MISSING VALUES:

Missing data filled using mean for numerical and mode for categorical features.

ENCODING CATEGORICAL VARIABLES:

Converted text labels into numbers using Label Encoding for model compatibility.

FEATURE SCALING:

Normalized numerical features using StandardScaler to improve model performance.

TRAIN-TEST SPLIT:

Dataset split into 80% training and 20% testing sets for evaluation.



Dataset Description

Dataset Name:

Rain in Australia

Source:

Kaggle

Time Period:

2008–2017

Records:

Approximately 145,460 daily
observations

Geographic Coverage:

49 weather stations across Australia

Key Features in the Dataset:

Date of
Observation

Name of the
weather
station

Rainfall:

Amount of rain recorded today; key indicator of tomorrow's rain.

RainToday:

Rain on the current day increases the chance of rain tomorrow.

Humidity3pm:

Higher afternoon humidity often signals upcoming rainfall.

Pressure3pm:

A drop in pressure suggests unstable, rainy weather.

Temp3pm:

Afternoon temperature affects cloud and rain formation.

WindGustSpeed:

Strong wind gusts may indicate stormy or rainy conditions.

Algorithms Used:

LOGISTIC REGRESSION:

- A simple linear model used for binary classification tasks.

DECISION TREE:

- A tree-based model that splits data into branches based on feature values.

RANDOM FOREST:

- An ensemble of decision trees that improves accuracy and reduces overfitting.



Performance Matrix

| Model | Accuracy | Precision | Recall | F1 Score |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Logistic Regression | 82% | 79% | 76% | 77% |
| Decision Tree | 84% | 81% | 79% | 80% |
| Random Forest | 87% | 85% | 83% | 84% |



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THANK YOU!