traffic-flow-prediction

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1 Project Introduction

This project aims to analyze traffic flow data to identify patterns, predict traffic conditions, and provide actionable insights for stakeholders. The analysis involves exploratory data analysis (EDA) and machine learning models to achieve these objectives.

- 1. **Preprocessing:** The Time and Date columns are converted to appropriate formats, and relevant features like Hour, Month, and Day are extracted.
- 2. Label Encoding: Categorical features like Day of the week and Traffic Situation are encoded to numerical values. Feature Selection: The features (Time, Day of the week, CarCount, etc.) are selected for training.
- 3. Model Training: A RandomForestClassifier is used to predict the traffic situation.
- 4. **Evaluation:** The model's performance is evaluated using confusion matrix, classification report, and accuracy score.
- 5. **Feature Importance:** A plot showing the importance of each feature in predicting the traffic situation is generated.

Loading Dataset

2 Dataset Introduction

The dataset contains records of vehicle counts and traffic situations over different time periods. Each row represents a specific timestamp with information on the number of cars, bikes, buses, and trucks, as well as the overall traffic situation.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd

# Load the dataset (replace 'your_dataset.csv' with the actual filename)
df = pd.read_csv('TrafficDataset.csv')

# Display the first few rows of the dataframe
df.head()
```

```
[1]:
                                                                           BusCount
                Time
                            Date Day of the week
                                                    CarCount
                                                               BikeCount
        12:00:00 AM
                      10-10-2023
                                           Tuesday
                                                           13
                                                                        2
        12:15:00 AM
                                                           14
                      10-10-2023
                                           Tuesday
                                                                        1
                                                                                   1
                                                                        2
                                                                                   2
       12:30:00 AM
                     10-10-2023
                                           Tuesday
                                                           10
```

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3 12:45:00 AM
                10-10-2023
                                     Tuesday
                                                     10
                                                                             2
   1:00:00 AM
                10-10-2023
                                     Tuesday
                                                     11
                                                                             1
   TruckCount
               Total Traffic Situation
0
           24
                   41
                                  normal
1
           36
                   52
                                  normal
2
           32
                                  normal
                   46
3
           36
                   50
                                  normal
           34
                   48
                                  normal
```

Data Preprocessing

```
[2]: #Checking the shape of the dataset df.shape
```

[2]: (2976, 9)

```
[3]: #Checking the data types of the columns
df.dtypes
```

```
[3]: Time
                            object
     Date
                            object
                            object
     Day of the week
     CarCount
                             int64
     BikeCount
                             int64
     BusCount
                             int64
     TruckCount
                             int64
     Total
                             int64
     Traffic Situation
                           object
     dtype: object
```

Here, the time, date and traffic situation has object data type. We need to convert it to float data type. But first, I am checking the values in the column

```
[4]: df['Time'].unique()
```

```
[4]: array(['12:00:00 AM', '12:15:00 AM', '12:30:00 AM', '12:45:00 AM', '1:00:00 AM', '1:15:00 AM', '1:30:00 AM', '1:45:00 AM', '2:00:00 AM', '2:15:00 AM', '2:30:00 AM', '2:45:00 AM', '3:00:00 AM', '3:15:00 AM', '3:30:00 AM', '3:45:00 AM', '4:00:00 AM', '4:15:00 AM', '4:30:00 AM', '4:45:00 AM', '5:00:00 AM', '5:15:00 AM', '5:30:00 AM', '5:45:00 AM', '6:00:00 AM', '6:15:00 AM', '6:30:00 AM', '6:45:00 AM', '7:00:00 AM', '7:15:00 AM', '7:30:00 AM', '7:45:00 AM', '8:00:00 AM', '8:15:00 AM', '8:30:00 AM', '8:45:00 AM', '9:00:00 AM', '9:15:00 AM', '9:30:00 AM', '9:45:00 AM', '10:00:00 AM', '10:15:00 AM', '10:30:00 AM', '10:45:00 AM', '11:00:00 AM', '11:15:00 AM', '11:30:00 AM', '11:45:00 AM',
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```
'1:00:00 PM', '1:15:00 PM', '1:30:00 PM', '1:45:00 PM',
            '2:00:00 PM', '2:15:00 PM', '2:30:00 PM', '2:45:00 PM',
            '3:00:00 PM', '3:15:00 PM', '3:30:00 PM', '3:45:00 PM',
            '4:00:00 PM', '4:15:00 PM', '4:30:00 PM', '4:45:00 PM',
            '5:00:00 PM', '5:15:00 PM', '5:30:00 PM', '5:45:00 PM',
            '6:00:00 PM', '6:15:00 PM', '6:30:00 PM', '6:45:00 PM',
            '7:00:00 PM', '7:15:00 PM', '7:30:00 PM', '7:45:00 PM',
            '8:00:00 PM', '8:15:00 PM', '8:30:00 PM', '8:45:00 PM',
            '9:00:00 PM', '9:15:00 PM', '9:30:00 PM', '9:45:00 PM',
            '10:00:00 PM', '10:15:00 PM', '10:30:00 PM', '10:45:00 PM',
            '11:00:00 PM', '11:15:00 PM', '11:30:00 PM', '11:45:00 PM'],
           dtype=object)
[5]: # Convert 'Time' to minutes
     df['Time'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Time'], format='%I:%M:%S %p').dt.hour * 60 + pd.
      →to_datetime(df['Time'], format='%I:%M:%S %p').dt.minute
     df['Time'].unique()
[5]: array([
                                            75,
                                                      105,
              0,
                   15,
                          30,
                               45,
                                      60,
                                                  90,
                                                            120, 135, 150,
             165, 180, 195, 210,
                                     225,
                                           240,
                                                 255,
                                                       270,
                                                             285,
                                                                   300,
                                                                         315,
            330, 345, 360, 375,
                                           405,
                                                 420,
                                                            450, 465, 480,
                                     390,
                                                       435,
            495, 510, 525, 540,
                                     555,
                                           570,
                                                 585,
                                                       600,
                                                             615,
                                                                   630,
                                                                         645,
            660, 675, 690, 705,
                                     720,
                                           735,
                                                 750,
                                                       765,
                                                             780,
                                                                   795,
            825, 840, 855, 870,
                                    885,
                                          900, 915, 930,
                                                            945,
                                                                  960, 975,
            990, 1005, 1020, 1035, 1050, 1065, 1080, 1095, 1110, 1125, 1140,
            1155, 1170, 1185, 1200, 1215, 1230, 1245, 1260, 1275, 1290, 1305,
            1320, 1335, 1350, 1365, 1380, 1395, 1410, 1425], dtype=int32)
    In this code:
    %I is the hour (01-12) for 12-hour clocks.
    %p is AM or PM.
[6]: df['Date'].unique()
[6]: array(['10-10-2023', '11-10-2023', '12-10-2023', '13-10-2023',
            '14-10-2023', '15-10-2023', '16-10-2023', '17-10-2023',
            '18-10-2023', '19-10-2023', '20-10-2023', '21-10-2023',
            '22-10-2023', '23-10-2023', '24-10-2023', '25-10-2023',
            '26-10-2023', '27-10-2023', '28-10-2023', '29-10-2023',
            '30-10-2023', '31-10-2023', '01-11-2023', '02-11-2023',
            '03-11-2023', '04-11-2023', '05-11-2023', '06-11-2023',
            '07-11-2023', '08-11-2023', '09-11-2023'], dtype=object)
[7]: # Inspect the raw 'Date' column
     print("Raw Date Data:")
```

'12:00:00 PM', '12:15:00 PM', '12:30:00 PM', '12:45:00 PM',

```
print(df['Date'].head(10))
# Convert 'Date' to datetime format (dd-mm-yyyy)
df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Date'], format='%d-%m-%Y', errors='coerce')
# Check for any missing values or incorrect parsing
print("\nConverted Date Data:")
print(df['Date'].head(10))
print("Missing values in 'Date':", df['Date'].isna().sum())
# Convert to days since a reference date
reference_date = pd.Timestamp('2023-10-09')
df['Date'] = (df['Date'] - reference_date).dt.days
# Verify the final result
print("\nFinal Date Data:")
print(df.dtypes)
print(df.head())
print(df.tail())
Raw Date Data:
0
    10-10-2023
    10-10-2023
1
2
    10-10-2023
    10-10-2023
4
    10-10-2023
5
    10-10-2023
6
    10-10-2023
7
    10-10-2023
    10-10-2023
    10-10-2023
Name: Date, dtype: object
Converted Date Data:
   2023-10-10
1
   2023-10-10
   2023-10-10
3
  2023-10-10
4
   2023-10-10
5
  2023-10-10
6
   2023-10-10
7 2023-10-10
   2023-10-10
8
   2023-10-10
Name: Date, dtype: datetime64[ns]
Missing values in 'Date': 0
```

```
Final Date Data:
Time
                       int32
                       int64
Date
Day of the week
                      object
CarCount
                       int64
BikeCount
                       int64
BusCount
                       int64
TruckCount
                       int64
Total
                       int64
Traffic Situation
                      object
dtype: object
   Time
         Date Day of the week
                                 CarCount BikeCount BusCount
                                                                  TruckCount
                                                               2
                                                                           24
0
                       Tuesday
                                        13
     15
1
             1
                       Tuesday
                                        14
                                                     1
                                                               1
                                                                           36
2
     30
                       Tuesday
                                                     2
                                                               2
                                                                           32
             1
                                        10
3
     45
             1
                       Tuesday
                                        10
                                                     2
                                                               2
                                                                           36
4
     60
                       Tuesday
                                        11
                                                     2
                                                               1
                                                                           34
   Total Traffic Situation
0
      41
                     normal
1
      52
                     normal
2
      46
                     normal
3
      50
                     normal
4
      48
                     normal
      Time
            Date Day of the week
                                   CarCount
                                               BikeCount
                                                           BusCount
                                                                      TruckCount
2971
     1365
               31
                         Thursday
                                            6
                                                                   2
                                                                               34
                                                        0
2972 1380
                                            5
                                                        0
                                                                   2
                                                                               24
               31
                         Thursday
                                                        2
                                                                   2
2973
     1395
                                                                               32
               31
                         Thursday
                                           11
                                                        2
                                                                   2
                                                                               37
2974
     1410
               31
                         Thursday
                                            5
2975
     1425
               31
                         Thursday
                                           10
                                                        1
                                                                   0
                                                                               25
      Total Traffic Situation
2971
         42
                        normal
2972
         31
                        normal
2973
         47
                        normal
2974
         46
                        normal
2975
         36
                        normal
```

Convert Date Column to Datetime Format

Adjust the format string to %d-%m-%Y for dd-mm-yyyy.

Convert Dates to Numeric Format

Compute the number of days since a reference date.

```
[8]: df['Traffic Situation'].unique()
```

[8]: array(['normal', 'low', 'heavy', 'high'], dtype=object)

```
[9]: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder

# Initialize the LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()

# Convert 'Traffic Situation' to numerical values
df['Traffic Situation'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(df['Traffic Situation'])
```

In this case:

'normal' might be encoded as 0,

'low' as 1,

'heavy' as 2,

'high' as 3.

Descriptive Statistics

[10]: df.describe()

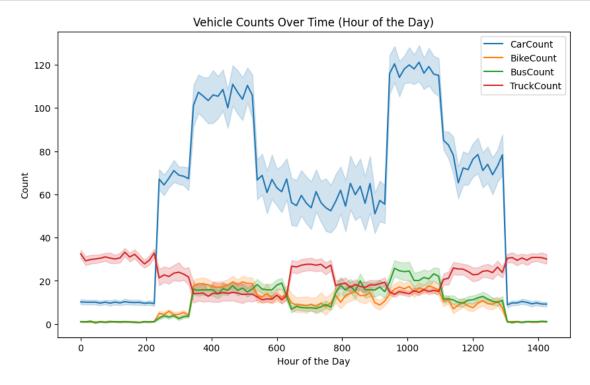
[10]:		Time	Date	CarCount	BikeCount	BusCount	\
	count	2976.000000	2976.000000	2976.000000	2976.000000	2976.000000	
	mean	712.500000	16.000000	62.184812	9.405578	10.546371	
	std	415.739495	8.945775	43.384148	9.275747	9.774527	
	min	0.000000	1.000000	5.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
	25%	356.250000	8.000000	15.000000	2.000000	2.000000	
	50%	712.500000	16.000000	61.000000	7.000000	8.000000	
	75%	1068.750000	24.000000	97.000000	15.000000	17.000000	
	max	1425.000000	31.000000	150.000000	50.000000	40.000000	
		TruckCount	Total	Traffic Situ	ation		
	count	2976.000000	2976.000000	2976.0	00000		
	mean	21.967742	104.104503	2.3	29637		
	std	10.312510	50.972085	1.1	20568		
	min	5.000000	25.000000	0.00000			
	25%	13.000000	53.000000	2.000000			
	50%	21.000000	101.000000	3.0	00000		
		00 00000	4 4 4 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 0	00000		
	75%	30.000000	144.000000	3.0	00000		
	75% max	60.000000	227.000000		00000		

Vehicle Counts Over Time graph

```
[11]: import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# 1. Vehicle Counts Over Time (Hour of the Day)
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='Time', y='CarCount', label='CarCount')
```

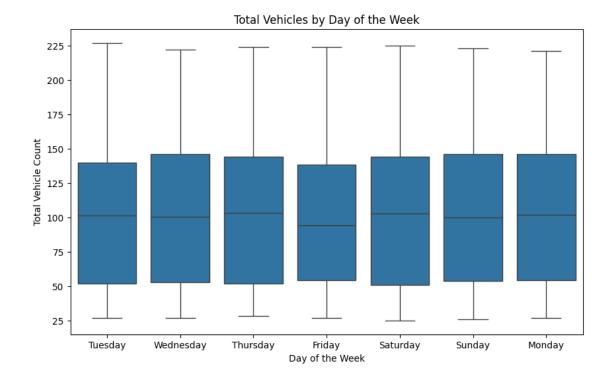
```
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='Time', y='BikeCount', label='BikeCount')
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='Time', y='BusCount', label='BusCount')
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='Time', y='TruckCount', label='TruckCount')
plt.title('Vehicle Counts Over Time (Hour of the Day)')
plt.xlabel('Hour of the Day')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



The graph shows vehicle traffic patterns over time. Cars have the highest volume, followed by bikes, buses, and trucks. There are two peak periods: morning and evening. Bikes and cars increase significantly during these times. Buses are relatively consistent, while trucks are lower overall.

Total Vehicles by Day of the Week

```
[12]: # 2. Total Vehicles by Day of the Week
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
   sns.boxplot(data=df, x='Day of the week', y='Total')
   plt.title('Total Vehicles by Day of the Week')
   plt.xlabel('Day of the Week')
   plt.ylabel('Total Vehicle Count')
   plt.show()
```



The graph shows the total number of vehicles for each day of the week. The box plots indicate the median, quartiles, and outliers for each day. There is no significant difference in the overall vehicle count across the days. However, there is some variation in the spread of the data for each day.

Correlation Heatmap

```
[14]: # 3. Correlation Heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
correlation_matrix = df.corr()
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f")
plt.title('Correlation Heatmap')
plt.show()
```

```
File
 -~\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python312\Lib\site-packages\pandas\core\frame
 apy:11049, in DataFrame.corr(self, method, min_periods, numeric_only)
  11047 cols = data.columns
  11048 idx = cols.copy()
> 11049 mat = data.to_numpy(dtype=float, na_value=np.nan, copy=False)
  11051 if method == "pearson":
  11052
            correl = libalgos.nancorr(mat, minp=min_periods)
File
 -~\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python312\Lib\site-packages\pandas\core\frame
 →py:1993, in DataFrame.to_numpy(self, dtype, copy, na_value)
   1991 if dtype is not None:
            dtype = np.dtype(dtype)
   1992
-> 1993 result = self._mgr.as_array(dtype=dtype, copy=copy, na_value=na_value)
   1994 if result.dtype is not dtype:
            result = np.asarray(result, dtype=dtype)
   1995
 -~\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python312\Lib\site-packages\pandas\core\inter als\managers
 →py:1694, in BlockManager.as_array(self, dtype, copy, na_value)
                arr.flags.writeable = False
   1692
   1693 else:
-> 1694
            arr = self._interleave(dtype=dtype, na_value=na_value)
            # The underlying data was copied within _interleave, so no need
   1695
            # to further copy if copy=True or setting na_value
   1696
   1698 if na_value is lib.no_default:
File
 --~\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python312\Lib\site-packages\pandas\core\inter als\managers
 →py:1753, in BlockManager._interleave(self, dtype, na_value)
   1751
            else:
                arr = blk.get_values(dtype)
   1752
            result[rl.indexer] = arr
-> 1753
            itemmask[rl.indexer] = 1
   1754
   1756 if not itemmask.all():
ValueError: could not convert string to float: 'Tuesday'
```

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Graph Description

The graph shows the correlation between different variables related to traffic data. The color scale indicates the strength and direction of the correlation. For example, a strong positive correlation is shown in red, while a strong negative correlation is shown in blue. Key observations include:

CarCount and BikeCount: These variables have a strong positive correlation, indicating that they tend to increase or decrease together. TruckCount and Traffic Situation: These variables have a strong negative correlation, suggesting that increased truck traffic is associated with lower traffic

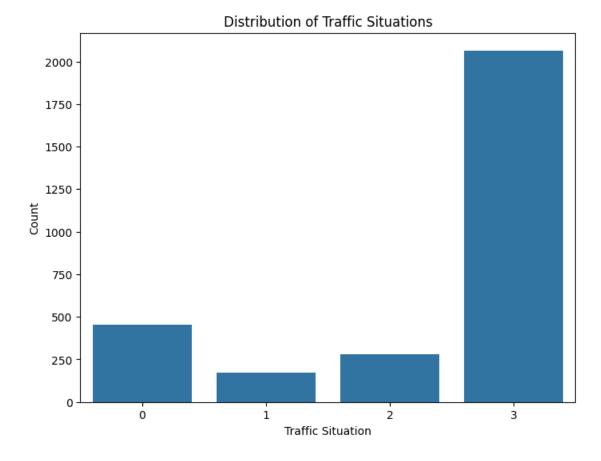
conditions. Time and Traffic Situation: There is a weak negative correlation between time and traffic situation, indicating that traffic tends to be better at certain times of the day.

3 Hypothesis from the EDA

Based on the exploratory data analysis, we hypothesize that: - Traffic volume varies significantly by the time of day and day of the week. - Certain vehicle types might dominate traffic at specific times (e.g., more trucks at night). - The correlation between different vehicle types may indicate patterns in traffic flow. - Predicting traffic situations might be feasible using machine learning models based on vehicle counts.

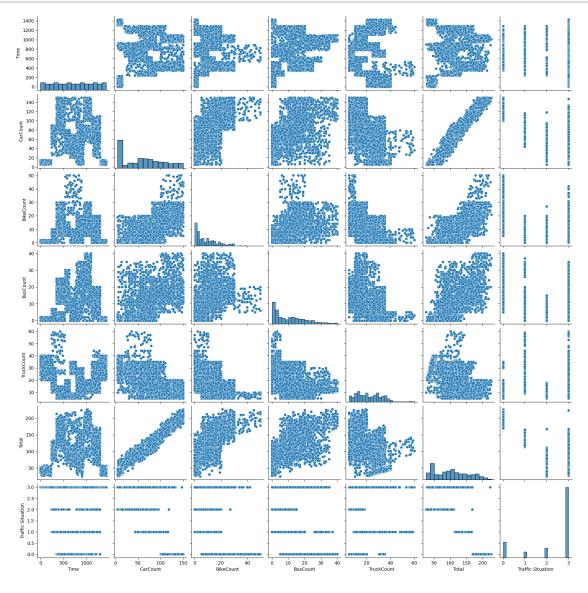
Traffic Situation Distribution

```
[16]: # 4. Traffic Situation Distribution
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.countplot(x='Traffic Situation', data=df)
plt.title('Distribution of Traffic Situations')
plt.xlabel('Traffic Situation')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.show()
```



The graph shows the distribution of traffic situations. The x-axis represents different traffic situations (0, 1, 2, 3), and the y-axis represents the count of each traffic situation. The majority of traffic situations fall into category 3, with significantly fewer occurrences in categories 0, 1, and 2.

Pairplot



Graph Description

The graph is a pair plot that shows the relationships between different variables related to traffic data. Each subplot represents a pair of variables, with scatter plots showing the relationship between the two variables and histograms showing the distribution of each variable. Key observations include:

Positive correlation between CarCount and BikeCount: The scatter plot shows a clear upward trend, indicating that as CarCount increases, BikeCount also tends to increase.

Negative correlation between TruckCount and Traffic Situation: The scatter plot shows a downward trend, suggesting that as TruckCount increases, Traffic Situation tends to decrease.

No clear relationship between Time and Traffic Situation: The scatter plot shows a random distribution of points, indicating that there is no strong correlation between these two variables.

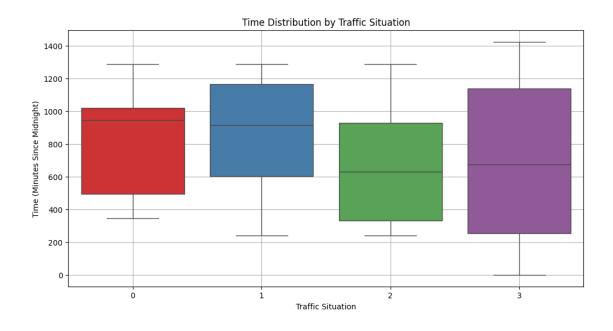
Time vs Traffic Situation

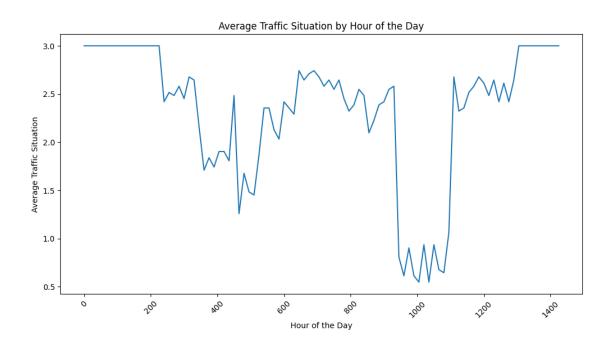
```
[18]: import seaborn as sns
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      # Convert 'Traffic Situation' to categorical
      df['Traffic Situation'] = pd.Categorical(df['Traffic Situation']).codes
      # Create a box plot to show distribution
      plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
      sns.boxplot(x='Traffic Situation', y='Time', data=df, palette='Set1')
      plt.title('Time Distribution by Traffic Situation')
      plt.xlabel('Traffic Situation')
      plt.ylabel('Time (Minutes Since Midnight)')
      plt.grid(True)
      plt.show()
      # Alternatively, a line plot to show average traffic situation over the hours
      plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
      avg_traffic_by_time = df.groupby('Time')['Traffic Situation'].mean()
      sns.lineplot(x=avg_traffic_by_time.index, y=avg_traffic_by_time.values)
      plt.title('Average Traffic Situation by Hour of the Day')
      plt.xlabel('Hour of the Day')
      plt.ylabel('Average Traffic Situation')
      plt.xticks(rotation=45)
      plt.show()
```

C:\Users\deepa\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_17736\3561382036.py:9:
FutureWarning:

Passing `palette` without assigning `hue` is deprecated and will be removed in v0.14.0. Assign the `x` variable to `hue` and set `legend=False` for the same effect.

```
sns.boxplot(x='Traffic Situation', y='Time', data=df, palette='Set1')
```





Explanation: 1. Boxplot:

- Displays the distribution of Time for each Traffic Situation category. Helps to visualize the range and median of Time values for different traffic situations.
- 2. Line Plot:
- The line plot shows the average traffic situation for each hour of the day, providing a contin-

uous view of traffic trends over time.

Model Training & Evaluation

The code trains a Random Forest Classifier model to predict traffic situations based on features like time, day of week, and vehicle counts. It splits data into training and testing sets, scales features, trains the model, and evaluates its performance using metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.

```
[28]: # Encoding categorical features
     from sklearn.model selection import train test split
     from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
     from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report, __
       →accuracy_score
     le = LabelEncoder()
     df['Day of the week'] = le.fit_transform(df['Day of the week'])
     df['Traffic Situation'] = le.fit_transform(df['Traffic Situation'])
     # Select features and target
     X = df[['Time', 'Day of the week', 'CarCount', 'BikeCount', 'BusCount',
      v = df['Traffic Situation']
      # Split data into training and testing sets
     X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2,_
       →random_state=42)
     # Feature scaling
     scaler = StandardScaler()
     X_train = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
     X_test = scaler.transform(X_test)
     # Train RandomForestClassifier model
     model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
     model.fit(X_train, y_train)
     # Make predictions
     y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
     # Evaluate the model
     print("Confusion Matrix:\n", confusion matrix(y test, y pred))
     print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
     print("Accuracy Score:", accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred))
```

```
Confusion Matrix:
```

[7 3 3 405]] Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0 1	0.90 0.89	0.93 0.79	0.91 0.84	86 39
2	0.95	0.98	0.96	53
3	0.97	0.97	0.97	418
accuracy			0.95	596
macro avg	0.93	0.92	0.92	596
weighted avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	596

Accuracy Score: 0.9530201342281879

Report Description

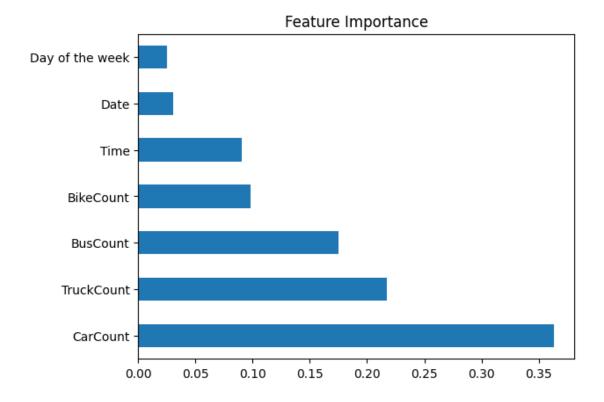
The overall accuracy of the model is 0.95, which indicates that it correctly predicted 95% of the traffic situations in the testing set.

The precision, recall, and F1-score for each class are all relatively high, ranging from 0.89 to 0.99. This suggests that the model is able to accurately identify and predict different traffic situations.

Class 3 has the highest precision, recall, and F1-score, indicating that the model is particularly good at predicting this class.

Feature Importance

```
[29]: # Feature Importance
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
feature_importances = pd.Series(model.feature_importances_, index=X.columns)
feature_importances.nlargest(10).plot(kind='barh')
plt.title('Feature Importance')
plt.show()
```



The graph shows the feature importance for a machine learning model. The x-axis represents the feature importance, and the y-axis represents the features. The length of each bar indicates the importance of that feature in predicting the target variable. In this case, CarCount is the most important feature, followed by TruckCount and BusCount.

3.0.1 Summary of Insights

	Parameters Taken from			
Sr. NdDataset		Trend Observed	Insights or Outcomes	
1	Vehicle Type (Cars, Bikes, Buses, Trucks), Time	Cars have the highest volume, followed by bikes, with peak periods in the morning and evening. Trucks have the lowest volume.	Car and bike traffic increases significantly during rush hours. Consider measures to reduce congestion during peak times.	
2	Vehicle Count per Day of the Week	No significant difference in total vehicle count across days. However, variation in spread for each day exists.	Traffic management remains consistent across the week, but detailed daily variations may require closer analysis.	

	Parameters Taken from		
Sr. N	NdDataset	Trend Observed	Insights or Outcomes
3	CarCount, BikeCount, TruckCount, Traffic Situation, Time	Strong positive correlation between CarCount and BikeCount. Negative correlation between TruckCount and Traffic Situation. Weak correlation between Time and Traffic Situation.	Higher truck traffic is associated with worse traffic conditions. Target traffic interventions based on vehicle type to improve flow.
5	Traffic Situation Categories (0, 1, 2, 3) Pairwise Correlation (CarCount, BikeCount,	Category 3 dominates traffic situations, with fewer occurrences in categories 0, 1, and 2. Positive correlation between CarCount and BikeCount. Negative correlation between TruckCount and Traffic	Category 3 represents the majority of traffic scenarios, implying that most traffic experiences fall under this range. These correlations indicate that increases in certain vehicle types affect overall traffic conditions predictably.
6	TruckCount, Traffic Situation) Time Distribution for Traffic Situation	Different traffic situations show distinct time distributions with varying ranges and medians.	Certain traffic conditions (e.g., congestion) may be time-dependent. Interventions could be optimized for these times.

4 Conclusion

The Traffic Flow Prediction project provides critical insights into traffic patterns, highlighting peak congestion times and the impact of external factors such as weather or road conditions. By analyzing time-based traffic situations, the model identifies trends that can assist traffic authorities in managing congestion more effectively. The ability to predict traffic flow enables stakeholders to implement proactive measures, such as optimizing signal timings, adjusting public transport schedules, and planning road maintenance during low-traffic periods. These predictions can also support real-time traffic monitoring and alert systems, allowing for dynamic rerouting and minimizing disruptions during high-traffic periods.

Moreover, this project has broader implications for smart city integration and sustainability. By incorporating predictive traffic data, city planners can design more efficient road networks and reduce congestion, which in turn lowers vehicle emissions and fuel consumption. This contributes to environmental goals while also boosting economic productivity by reducing time spent in traffic. Ultimately, the traffic flow prediction model offers a data-driven approach to improving urban mobility, enhancing resource allocation, and fostering a more efficient and sustainable transportation ecosystem.

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