IST 718: Big Data Analytics

Traffic Accident Analytics

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TOPICS

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Data acquisition

Data Prep/Cleansing

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Background

Roles: City Planners for Charlotte, NC

Business Question: Should we approve the construction of a stadium for a third major professional sports team (baseball) in Charlotte, NC?

Concern: Will adding a third stadium negatively impact traffic accidents?

Data Acquisition

Traffic Accidents

Source: Kaggle

Description: 3M traffic accident

from 2016 to 2019. Datasets

contains accidents for 49 States

Key Fields:

- Location
- Time
- Severity
- Weather Conditions

Sporting Schedule

Source: Various*

Description: Contains sporting

event data for NFL, NBA, MLB.

Key Fields:

- Game Location
- Time
- Attendance

^{*}baseball-reference.com

^{*}pro-football-reference.com

^{*}basketball-reference.com

Data clean up

Traffic Accidents:

- Data typing
- Remove Nulls/NAs
- Subset data to target market

Sporting Dataset:

- Import and consolidate individual datasets
- Utilize game schedules to retrieve attendance values

Cities	NFL	MLB	NBA
Houston	Texans	Astros	Rockets
Atlanta	Falcons	Braves	Hawks
Miami	Dolphins	Marlins	Heat
Dallas	Cowboys	Rangers	Mavericks

Next Steps

- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Traffic Accident correlation analysis to identify relevant variables
- Implement methodology to join datasets

Accident Breakdown

