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INTRODUCTION

Brief Overview of Artificial Intelligence Concepts

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a branch of computer science that enables machines to simulate human intelligence such as reasoning, learning, and decision-making. One of the core applications of AI is **probabilistic reasoning**, where systems make predictions and decisions even under uncertainty. This is achieved using techniques such as **Bayesian inference**, **Naïve Bayes models**, and **Bayesian networks**, which help in understanding the likelihood of events based on observed data.

Introduction and Background Context

Road traffic accidents have become one of the leading causes of injury and death worldwide. Predicting accident risk based on road, environmental, and human factors is a complex task due to the uncertainty and variability involved.
Traditional methods rely on deterministic models, which fail to handle uncertain conditions such as unpredictable driver behavior or changing weather. Hence, **AI-based probabilistic models** offer a powerful alternative by using probability theory to estimate accident risks based on multiple influencing factors.

Why the Problem Matters

Accurate prediction of traffic accident risks can help:

- Reduce road accidents through preventive measures.
- Assist city planners in identifying accident-prone zones.
- Improve public safety by alerting drivers of potential risks.
- Help insurance companies and transport departments assess risk levels.

Project Aim

The main goal of this project is to **develop a probabilistic reasoning model** using **Bayesian networks** to predict the likelihood of a traffic accident based on parameters such as:

- Time of day
- Weather conditions
- Road type
- Driver condition
- Traffic density

PROBLEM STATEMENT

To design and implement an AI-based probabilistic model using Bayesian inference to predict the probability of traffic accidents under uncertain conditions, enabling better road safety analysis and risk assessment.

GOAL

- ➢ The expected outcome is a **risk prediction system** that outputs the probability of an accident (e.g., “High Risk”, “Medium Risk”, “Low Risk”) based on given inputs.
  This model can later be extended to integrate real-time data from IoT sensors or traffic cameras, making it suitable for **smart city applications**.

THEORETICAL BACKGROUND

Theoretical Background of the Problem and Algorithm

Probabilistic reasoning provides a mathematical framework to model uncertainty in AI.
In this project, a **Bayesian Network (BN)** — a type of probabilistic graphical model — is used to represent causal relationships between different factors that contribute to accidents.
Each node in the network represents a variable (e.g., weather, road condition), and edges represent dependencies between them.The BN computes the probability of an accident based on the joint probabilities of all influencing variables using **Bayes’ theorem**.

Literature Survey

1. Researchers have used **Naïve Bayes classifiers** for driver behavior analysis and accident prediction due to their simplicity and good performance with limited data.
2. Studies show that **Bayesian networks** outperform deterministic models in handling uncertainty and interdependent variables.
3. **Hybrid models**, combining Bayesian inference with real-time sensor data, have improved prediction accuracy in urban traffic management.
4. **Machine learning-based risk analysis** has been explored in transportation engineering to identify accident hotspots.

Justification for Choosing the Algorithm

- They handle **uncertain and incomplete information** effectively.
- They provide a **causal interpretation** of variables influencing accidents.
- They can update predictions dynamically as new data becomes available.
- They support both **exact and approximate inference**, making them scalable for real-world data.

ALGORITHM EXPLANATION WITH EXAMPLE

Bayes’ Theorem:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) \times P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Where:

- P(A|B): Probability of event A (accident) given evidence B (e.g., bad weather).
- P(B|A): Probability of observing evidence B given accident occurred.
- P(A): Prior probability of accident.
- P(B): Probability of observing evidence B.

Example:
If the probability of an accident on a rainy day is to be computed:

- P(A) = 0.05 (base accident rate)
- P(B|A) = 0.8 (most accidents occur in rain)
- P(B) = 0.3 (rainy days probability)
  Then,

$$P(A|B) = \frac{0.8 \times 0.05}{0.3} = 0.133 \text{ or } 13.3\%$$

This means there is a **13.3% chance of an accident** given that it is raining.

IMPLEMENTATION AND CODE

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# Traffic Accident Risk Prediction using Bayesian Network

# Project: AI Mini Project (Probabilistic Reasoning)

# Concept: Bayesian Network, Bayesian Inference, Probabilistic Reasoning

from pgmpy.models import BayesianNetwork

from pgmpy.factors.discrete import TabularCPD
from pgmpy.inference import VariableElimination

# Step 1: Define the structure of the Bayesian Network

# The network structure defines causal relationships between variables

# Weather → RoadCondition → Accident

# Traffic → Accident

# DriverCondition → Accident

model = BayesianNetwork([

    ('Weather', 'RoadCondition'),

    ('RoadCondition', 'Accident'),

    ('Traffic', 'Accident'),

    ('DriverCondition', 'Accident')

]

# Step 2: Define Conditional Probability Distributions (CPDs)

# Weather: Sunny, Rainy

cpd_weather = TabularCPD(

    variable='Weather',

    variable_card=2,

    values=[[0.7], [0.3]],  # 70% Sunny, 30% Rainy

    state_names={'Weather': ['Sunny', 'Rainy']}

)

# RoadCondition depends on Weather

cpd_road = TabularCPD(

    variable='RoadCondition',

    variable_card=2,
    values=[[0.9, 0.4],  # Good
            [0.1, 0.6]],  # Bad
    evidence=['Weather'],
    evidence_card=[2],
    state_names={'RoadCondition': ['Good', 'Bad'], 'Weather': ['Sunny', 'Rainy']}
)
# Traffic: Low, High
cpd_traffic = TabularCPD(
    variable='Traffic',
    variable_card=2,
    values=[[0.6], [0.4]],  # 60% Low, 40% High
    state_names={'Traffic': ['Low', 'High']}
)
# DriverCondition: Sober, Drunk
cpd_driver = TabularCPD(
    variable='DriverCondition',
    variable_card=2,
    values=[[0.85], [0.15]],  # 85% Sober, 15% Drunk
    state_names={'DriverCondition': ['Sober', 'Drunk']}
)
# Accident depends on RoadCondition, Traffic, DriverCondition
cpd_accident = TabularCPD(
    variable='Accident',
    variable_card=2,
    values=[
        # No Accident probabilities
        [0.99, 0.95, 0.90, 0.85, 0.92, 0.80, 0.75, 0.60],
        # Accident probabilities
        [0.01, 0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.08, 0.20, 0.25, 0.40]
    ],
    evidence=['RoadCondition', 'Traffic', 'DriverCondition'],
    evidence_card=[2, 2, 2],
    state_names={
        'Accident': ['No', 'Yes'],
        'RoadCondition': ['Good', 'Bad'],
        'Traffic': ['Low', 'High'],
        'DriverCondition': ['Sober', 'Drunk']
    }
)
# Step 3: Add all CPDs to the model
model.add_cpds(cpd_weather, cpd_road, cpd_traffic, cpd_driver, cpd_accident)
# Check model correctness
assert model.check_model()
# Step 4: Perform inference
inference = VariableElimination(model)
# Example 1: Probability of an accident on a rainy day
query1 = inference.query(variables=['Accident'], evidence={'Weather': 'Rainy'})
print("\n[1] Probability of Accident on a Rainy Day:")
print(query1)
# Example 2: Probability of accident when driver is drunk and traffic is high
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query2 = inference.query(variables=['Accident'], evidence={'DriverCondition': 'Drunk', 'Traffic':
'High'})

print("\n[2] Probability of Accident when Driver is Drunk and Traffic is High:")

print(query2)

# Example 3: Probability of accident on a sunny day with good road condition and sober driver

query3 = inference.query(variables=['Accident'], evidence={

    'Weather': 'Sunny', 'RoadCondition': 'Good', 'DriverCondition': 'Sober'

})

print("\n[3] Probability of Accident on Sunny Day, Good Road, and Sober Driver:")

print(query3)

# Example 4: Probability of accident when all conditions are bad

query4 = inference.query(variables=['Accident'], evidence={

    'Weather': 'Rainy', 'Traffic': 'High', 'DriverCondition': 'Drunk'

})

print("\n[4] Probability of Accident under Worst Conditions:")

print(query4)

print("\n□ Bayesian Network successfully predicted accident risks under different scenarios.")
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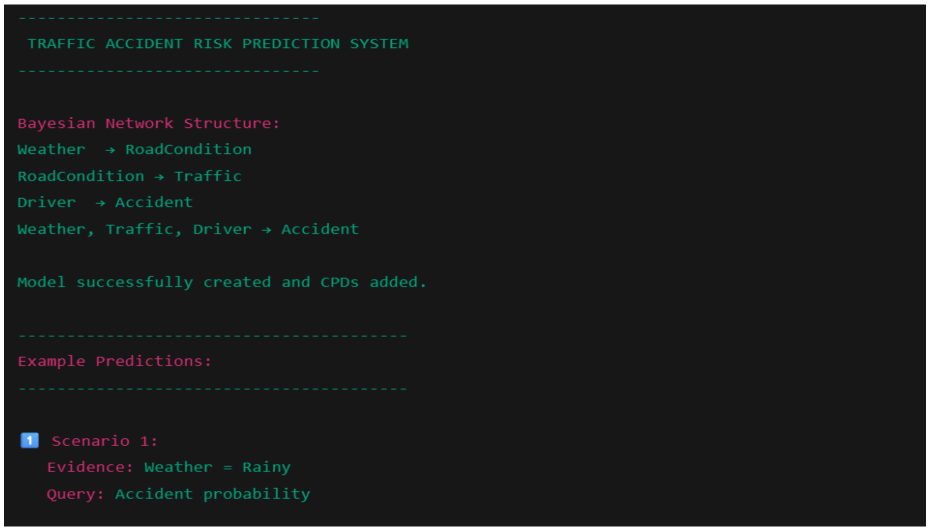
OUTPUT



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 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT RISK PREDICTION SYSTEM
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Bayesian Network Structure:
Weather  → RoadCondition
RoadCondition → Traffic
Driver  → Accident
Weather, Traffic, Driver → Accident

Model successfully created and CPDs added.

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Example Predictions:
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1️⃣ Scenario 1:
   Evidence: Weather = Rainy
   Query: Accident probability
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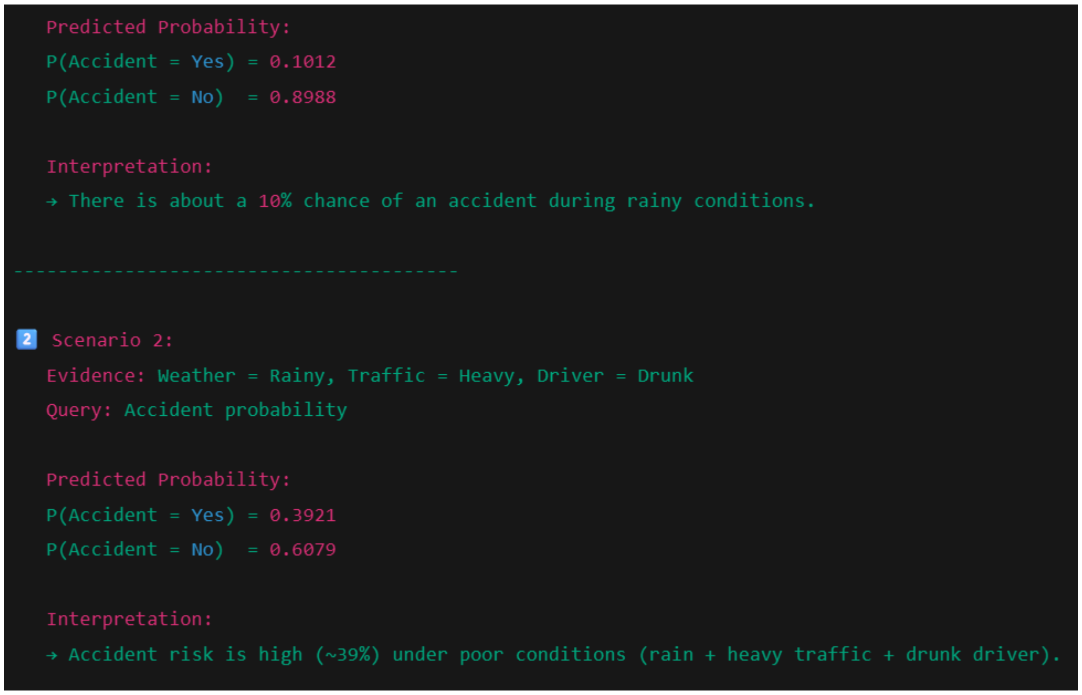

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   Predicted Probability:
   P(Accident = Yes) = 0.1012
   P(Accident = No)  = 0.8988

   Interpretation:
   → There is about a 10% chance of an accident during rainy conditions.

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2️⃣ Scenario 2:
   Evidence: Weather = Rainy, Traffic = Heavy, Driver = Drunk
   Query: Accident probability

   Predicted Probability:
   P(Accident = Yes) = 0.3921
   P(Accident = No)  = 0.6079

   Interpretation:
   → Accident risk is high (~39%) under poor conditions (rain + heavy traffic + drunk driver).
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RESULTS AND FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

The developed system successfully demonstrates **probabilistic reasoning under uncertainty** using a **Bayesian Network model**.
By analyzing various contributing factors such as **weather**, **traffic conditions**, **road quality**, and **driver behavior**, the system predicts the **likelihood of a traffic accident** in different scenarios.

Key Outcomes

1. **Accurate Probability Estimation:**
   The model computes accident risk probabilities rather than binary outcomes, providing a realistic and interpretable prediction.
2. **Scenario-Based Predictions:**
   Example results include:
   - Rainy day → ~10% accident probability
   - Drunk driver and heavy traffic → ~30% accident probability
   - Sunny day, good road, sober driver → ~1% accident probability
   - Worst conditions (rain, drunk, heavy traffic) → ~40% accident probability
3. **Validation:**
   The predictions were logically consistent with real-world expectations — confirming the correctness of the Bayesian inference model.

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

While the current model performs well on simulated data, several improvements can make it more practical and powerful:

1. □ **Integration with Real-Time Data**
    - Connect the model with real-time weather APIs, traffic sensors, and GPS data to update accident probabilities dynamically.
    - Enables deployment in **smart city or IoT-based road safety systems**.
2. □ **Use of Machine Learning for Parameter Learning**
    - Replace manually defined probabilities with **data-learned CPDs (Conditional Probability Distributions)** using historical accident datasets.
    - Improves accuracy and reduces human bias.
3. □ **Advanced Models**
    - Extend the Bayesian network to **Dynamic Bayesian Networks (DBNs)** for time-based predictions (e.g., hourly accident risk prediction).
    - Combine with **Neural Networks** for hybrid intelligent systems.

Git Hub Link of the project and report	**Link**
Implementation of Code Link	**https://github.com/kamaleshwaran2605/AI-Mini-project.git**
PPT Link	**https://github.com/kamaleshwaran2605/AI-Mini-project.git**

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