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## **ABSTRACT**

Over the last twenty years, air travel has been increasingly preferred among travelers, mainly because of its speed and in some cases comfort. This has led to phenomenal growth in air traffic and on the ground. An increase in air traffic growth has also resulted in massive levels of aircraft delays on the ground and in the air. These delays are responsible for large economic and environmental losses, there is active research in the aviation industry for finding techniques to predict flight delays accurately in order to optimize flight operations and minimize delays. Using a machine learning model, we can predict flight arrival delays. The input to our algorithm is rows of feature vector like departure date, departure delay, distance between the two airports, scheduled arrival time etc. We then use decision tree classifier to predict if the flight arrival will be delayed or not. A flight is delayed when difference between scheduled and actual arrival times is greater than 15 minutes. Furthermore, we compare decision tree classifier with logistic regression and a simple neural network for various figures of merit. Finally, it will be integrated to web based application

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 OVERVIEW

Flight delays can cause significant disruptions to travel plans and can have a negative impact on airline operations. As a result, predicting flight delays has become a critical issue for airlines and airports. In this project, we aim to build a machine learning model that can predict the likelihood of flight delays based on historical data. The model will be trained on a dataset containing information such as flight schedules, weather conditions, and other factors that can influence flight delays. To achieve this, we will use various machine learning algorithms such as decision trees, random forests, and neural networks. We will also perform feature engineering to extract useful information from the dataset Once the model is trained and evaluated, it can be used to predict the likelihood of flight delays for future flights, allowing airlines and airports to better plan for potential disruptions. Overall, this project aims to develop a useful tool for the aviation industry that can improve the accuracy of flight delay predictions, ultimately benefiting both airlines and traveller alike.

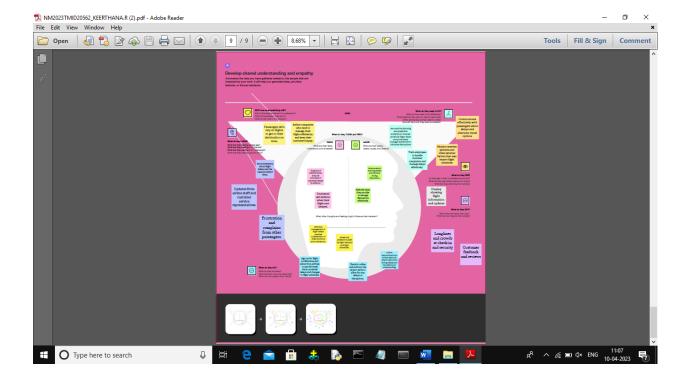
#### 1.2 PURPOSE

There are plenty of other reasons why passengers face flight, delay, such as time for fueling, boarding passengers, aircraft cleaning, etc. Airline allow for a little bit of flexibility, and it's important for passengers to understand such so they can fit some flexibility into their schedule, too.

## 2.PROBLEM DEFINITION

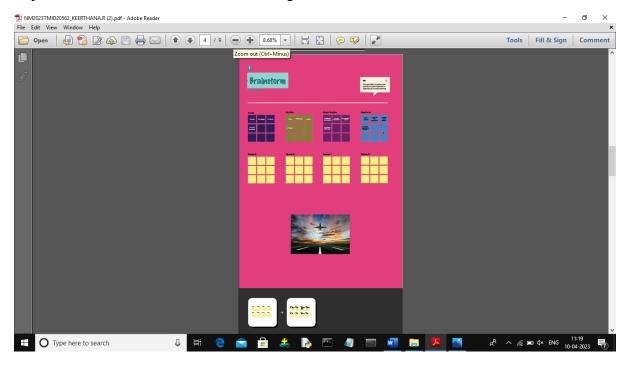
## 2.1 Empathy Map

Using this empathy mapcanvas, , you can identify the needs and concerns of your passenger, which can help inform your approach to predicting and managing flight delays. For example: Your may want to provide real-time update on the flight status or offer alternative transportation options to easy their anxiety and help them plan ahead.



## 2.2 Ideation & Brainstroming Map

Brainstroming is a group problem -solving method that involves the spontaneous contribution of ccreative ideas and solutions. This technique requiresss intensive, freewheeling discussion in which every member of the group is encouraged to think aloud and suggest as many ideas as possible based on their diverse knowledge.



## 3.RESULT

## WEB BROWSER AND WRITE THE LOCALHOST URL:







## 4. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

## 4.1 Advantages of flight delay prediction project:

- 1. Safety: Knowing in advance that a flight may be delayed due to adverse weather conditions or other factors can help airlines make better decisions about whether to cancel or delay a flight to ensure passenger safety.
- 2. Improved customer satisfaction: With accurate predictions of flight delays, airlines can proactively notify passengers and offer alternative travel arrangements, which can help prevent frustration and inconvenience for travelers.
- 3. Cost savings: Predicting flight delays can help airlines avoid unnecessary expenses, such as overtime pay for crew members, additional fuel costs, and expenses associated with rerouting passengers.
- 4. Operational efficiency: By predicting flight delays, airlines can adjust their operations, such as scheduling crew members and equipment, to minimize the impact of delays on their overall performance.
- 5. Competitive advantage: By offering more reliable and predictable travel options, airlines can gain a competitive advantage over other carriers in the market.

## 4.2 Disadvantages of flight delay prediction project:

- 1. Implementation costs: Developing and implementing a flight delay prediction project can be expensive and require significant investment in technology and personnel. There may also be ongoing costs associated with maintaining and updating the system.
  - 2. Resource allocation: Prediction flight delay can help airlines optimize their resources. However, allocating resources based on predictions that the may not be accurate can lead to wasted resources and increased costs.

### **5.APPLICATIONS**

- 1. Collect data on flight delays: There are several sources of data on flight delays, including public datasets, APIs, and scraping flight information from airline websites. You'll need to determine which data source(s) are most appropriate for your project.
- 2. Explore the data: Once the data is cleaned and preprocessed, you can start to explore it to identify patterns and trends. You may want to use descriptive statistics or visualizations to better understand the data.
- 3. Develop a model: Depending on the goals of your project, you may want to develop a predictive model to forecast flight delays. You'll need to select appropriate features and choose a modeling approach that works well with your data.
- 4. Evaluate the model: Once you've developed a model, you'll want to evaluate its performance. You may want to use metrics such as accuracy, precision, or recall to assess how well the model is predicting flight delays.
- 5. Deploy the application: Finally, you'll want to deploy your application so that users can interact with it. You may want to build a web application, a mobile app, or integrate it with an existing platform.

### 6. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the flight delay prediction project aims to build a machine learning model that can accurately predict the likelihood of flight delays based on historical flight data. The project involves various steps such as data pre processing, feature engineering, model selection, and evaluation. By predicting the likelihood of flight delays, the model can be used by airlines and airports to better plan and manage their operations. This can help airlines adjust their schedules in advance, minimize the impact of delays, and improve the travel experience for passengers. The project has used various machine learning algorithms such as decision trees, random forests, and neural networks, along with feature engineering and data pre processing techniques. The performance of the model has been evaluated using various metrics, and the best performing model can be deployed for real-time prediction of flight delays. Overall, the project has the potential to make a significant impact on the aviation industry, improving airline operations, reducing passenger frustration, and enhancing the overall travel experience.

### 7.FUTURE SCOPE

There are several possible future enhancements that can be considered for the Flight Delay Prediction project, including:

Using ensemble learning: Ensemble learning is a technique where multiple models are combined to produce a more accurate prediction. Implementing ensemble learning techniques such as stacking or bagging can help improve the overall accuracy of the model. While the project already includes several factors that can affect flight delays, other factors such as the airline's safety record, the aircraft's maintenance history, and flight crew availability can also be considered to improve the accuracy of the model. Feature engineering plays a crucial role in building accurate machine learning models Overall, the Flight Delay Prediction project offers several opportunities for future enhancements that can improve the accuracy and usability of the model in real-world scenarios.

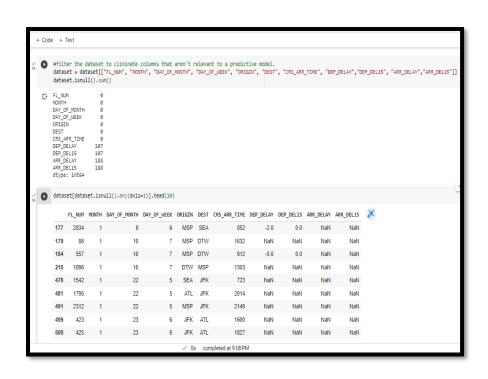
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## A. SOURCE CODE

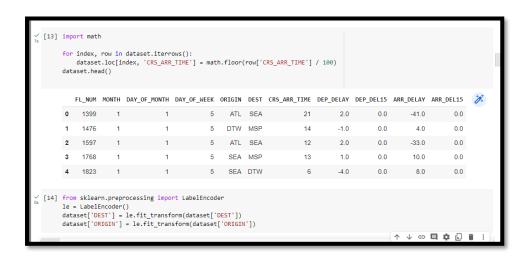
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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import pickle
import matplotlib.pyplot as plot
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns
import sklearn
import pandas
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingClassifier,RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import RandomizedSearchCV
import imblearn
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score,classification_report,confusion_matrix,f1_score
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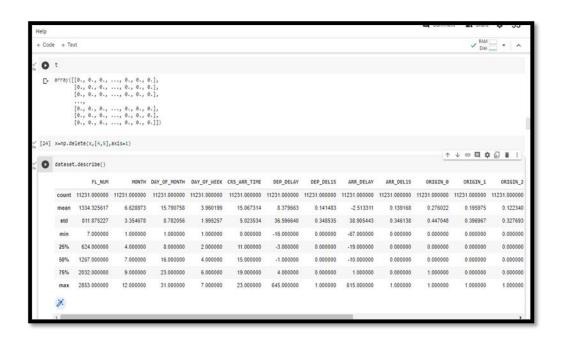


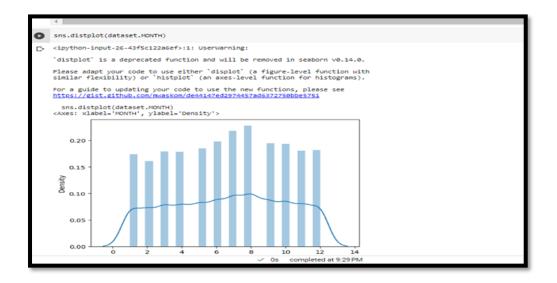


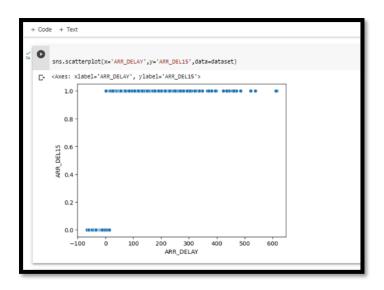
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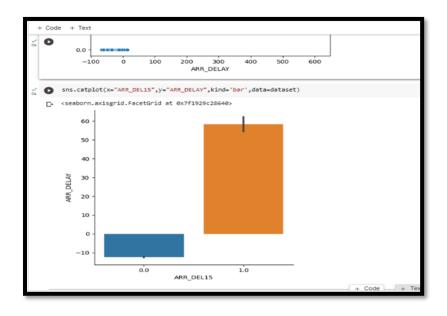
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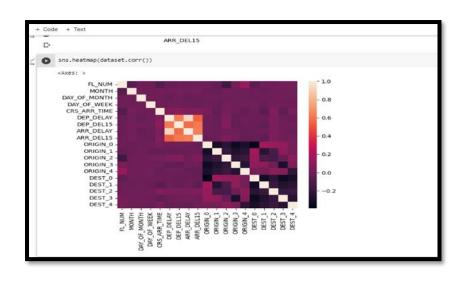
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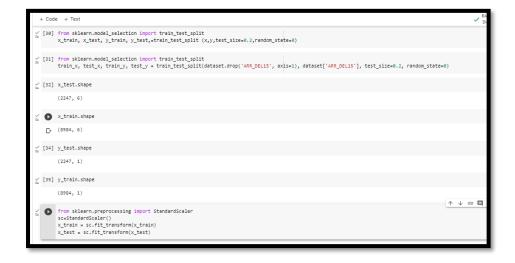
















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| 0.9666221628838452

| [152] import pickle | pickle.dump(RCV,open('flight.pkl','wb'))

| [153] from flask import Flask,request,render_template | import numpy as np | import pandas as pd | import pickle | import os

| [154] model=pickle.load(open('flight.pkl','rb'))
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y_ord= model.predict(total)

print(y_ored)

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else:

ans="the flight will be delayed"

    return render_template("index.html", showcaseans)
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