

Pipeline for open AIS data with filtering based on vessel class

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Image from
NASA
STS-52

AIS Data?



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Pixabay
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Drowning in data?



Image from
blue novation



AIS Data

AIS: **A**utomatic **I**dentification **S**ystem

- Satellite Based Communication
- Features include:
 - Unique Vessel ID (MMSI)
 - GPS Position
 - Speed
 - Navigational Status
- History of messages build trajectory

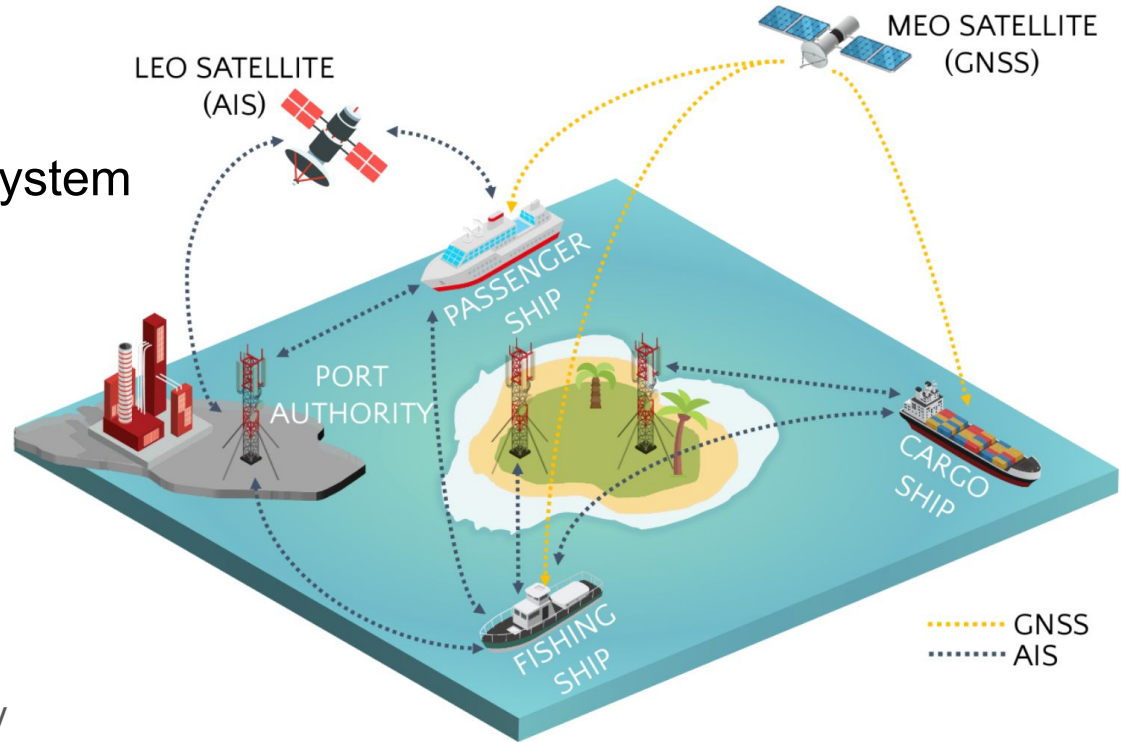


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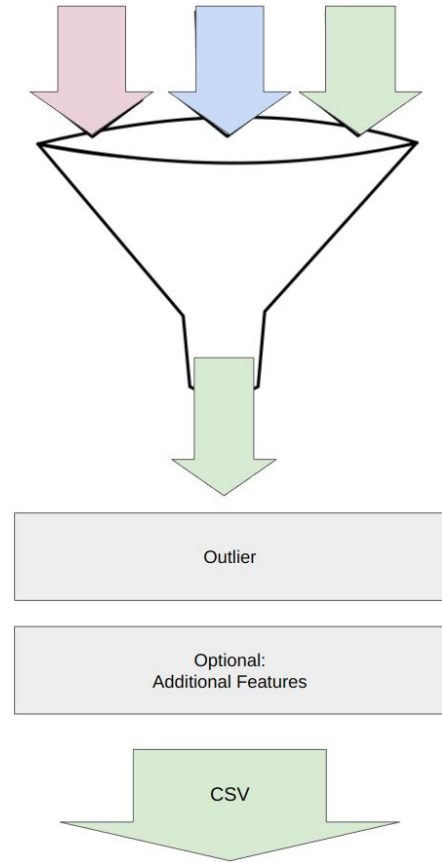
Pipeline

Goal 1: Volume Reduction

- Filtering to contain only messages of desired ship type

Goal 2: Curate Dataset

- Cleaning
- Feature Engineering



Fishing Vessel

- Navigational status
 - LIKE “% *fishing*%”
- Ship Type
 - LIKE “%*fishing*%”

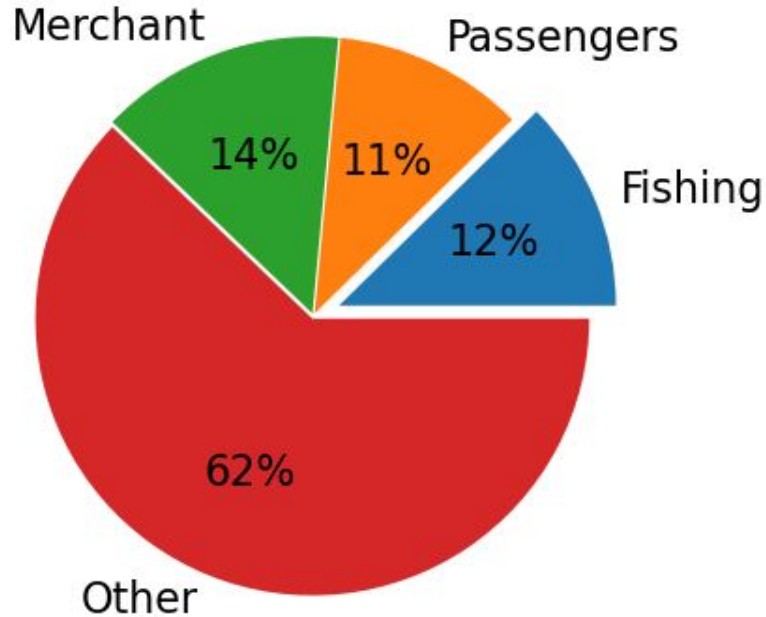
Merchant Ship

- Cargo Type not *Nan*
- Possible distinction between defined classes

Passenger Ship

- Ship Type LIKE “%passenger%”

Volume reduction ✓



“Dark Vessels”

- Hiding activity and traces
- Database containing MMSI of ships previously detected as one of the aforementioned type
- Growing database with usage



Other Features of Pipeline

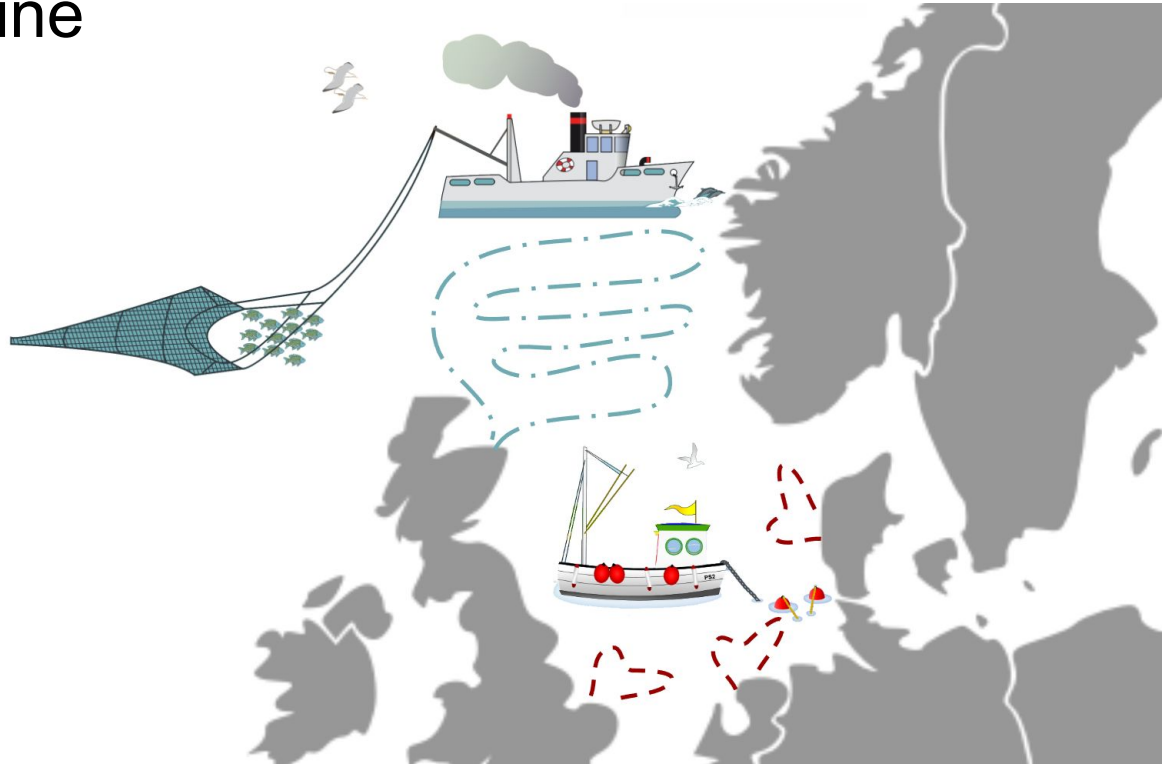
- Cleaning
 - unrealistic values
 - exceeding thresholds
- Enhancement with other features
 - Water depth
 - computed speed
- Output:

Curated dataset ✓

How I use this pipeline

Fixed Gear Distinction

- Gill net
- Crab pots
- Stationary longlines



How you can use this pipeline

- Open source code (of course)
- Instruction for running on Git
- Data stream sources
 - DMA
 - Marine Cadastre
 - Links in paper
- Data sets
 - Brest
 - Piraeus
 - GFW “Anonymous AIS training data”



Open AIS Data Pipeline



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Drawbacks

- Regional restrictions based on open sources
- not real time
- Long processing time for adding water depth
- Written in Python, future in R?

Classes of Cargo in AIS messages

Based on ship type number:

1 = Major Hazard (Haz A)

2 = Hazard (Haz B)

3 = Minor Hazard (Haz C)

4 = Recognisable Hazard (Haz D)

Contribution to database

- Contact for newest SQLite3 database
- Currently 5 GB
- If outgrows shareability split into three based on class

Region of DMA

Marine Cadastre

vessels in U.S. and
international waters in near real
time

