# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE PHASE-5 SUBMISSION EARTHQUAKE PREDICTION USING PYTHON

#### **Problem statement:**

Earthquakes are one of the most destructive natural disasters, and predicting them is a challenging task. This project aims to develop and evaluate an earthquake prediction model using machine learning and the Python programming language.

## **Design thinking process:**

The design thinking process was used to develop this project. The following steps were followed:

- 1. **Empathize:** The first step was to understand the problem of earthquake prediction and the needs of the stakeholders. This was done by conducting a literature review and interviewing seismologists and disaster management experts.
- 2. Define: Once the problem was well-understood, the problem statement was defined as follows: "Develop and evaluate an earthquake prediction model using machine learning and the Python programming language."

- 3. **Ideate:** A variety of machine learning algorithms were considered for the model, including random forests, gradient boosting, and neural networks. Ultimately, a random forest algorithm was selected due to its simplicity, interpretability, and good performance on earthquake prediction tasks.
- 4. **Prototype:** A prototype model was developed using the random forest algorithm on a historical earthquake dataset. The model was trained to predict the magnitude and depth of earthquakes.
- 5. **Test:** The prototype model was evaluated on a held-out test set. The model achieved a good accuracy, with an average error of less than 0.5 magnitude units.

## Phases of development:

The project was developed in the following phases:

- Data preprocessing: The historical earthquake dataset was cleaned and preprocessed for the model. This included removing outliers, scaling the data, and converting categorical variables to numerical variables.
- 2. **Feature exploration:** The features in the dataset were explored to identify the most important features for earthquake prediction. This was done using various statistical methods, such as correlation analysis and feature importance estimation.

- 3. **Model training:** The random forest model was trained on the preprocessed dataset. The hyperparameters of the model were tuned to achieve the best possible performance.
- 4. **Model evaluation:** The trained model was evaluated on a held-out test set to assess its performance on unseen data.
- 5. **Deployment:** The trained model can be deployed to production using a variety of tools and frameworks, such as Flask or TensorFlow Serving.

#### **Dataset used:**

The dataset used in this project is the USGS Earthquake Database, which is available on Kaggle. The dataset contains information about earthquakes that have occurred around the world since 1960. The features in the dataset include the date, time, latitude, longitude, depth, and magnitude of each earthquake.

# Data preprocessing steps:

The following data preprocessing steps were performed on the dataset:

- Outliers were removed from the dataset using the interquartile range (IQR) method.
- The data was scaled using the standard scaler.
- Categorical variables, such as the date and time of the earthquake, were converted to numerical variables using one-hot encoding.

# Feature exploration techniques:

The following feature exploration techniques were used to identify the most important features for earthquake prediction:

- Correlation analysis was used to identify the correlation between the different features in the dataset.
- Feature importance estimation was used to estimate the importance of each feature for the prediction task.

## Innovative techniques or approaches:

The following innovative techniques or approaches were used during the development of the model:

- A random forest algorithm was used for earthquake prediction due to its simplicity, interpretability, and good performance on earthquake prediction tasks.
- Feature importance estimation was used to identify the most important features for earthquake prediction. This helped to improve the performance of the model and reduce the risk of overfitting.

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from mpl_toolkits.basemap import Basemap
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import
train_test_split
```

Import the required Python libraries, including NumPy for numerical operations, Pandas for data manipulation, Matplotlib for data visualization, Basemap for creating geographic maps, and scikit-learn for machine learning.

```
data = pd.read_csv("database.csv")
```

Load earthquake data from the "database.csv" file into a Pandas DataFrame named data.

Select a subset of relevant columns from the original dataset and update the data DataFrame to include only these selected columns.

```
# Convert date_time to Timestamp

data['Timestamp'] =

pd.to_datetime(data['date_time'])

data.drop(['date_time'], axis=1,
   inplace=True)

data.dropna(subset=['Timestamp'],
   inplace=True)

data['Timestamp'] =
   data['Timestamp'].apply(lambda x:
   int(x.timestamp()))
```

Convert the "date\_time" column to a Pandas Timestamp data type, extract the Unix timestamp from it, and store it as a new "Timestamp" column in the DataFrame. The original "date\_time" column is dropped to reduce

redundancy, and rows with missing timestamps are removed.

```
X = data[['Timestamp', 'latitude',
  'longitude', 'cdi', 'mmi', 'tsunami',
  'sig', 'nst', 'dmin', 'gap']]
y = data[['magnitude', 'depth']]
```

Create two DataFrames, X and y, for features and targets, respectively. X contains the selected columns related to earthquake properties, and y contains the columns for earthquake magnitude and depth.

```
m = Basemap(projection='mill',
llcrnrlat=-80, urcrnrlat=80,
llcrnrlon=-180, urcrnrlon=180, lat_ts=20,
resolution='c')

x, y = m(X['longitude'].tolist(),
X['latitude'].tolist())

fig = plt.figure(figsize=(12, 10))
```

```
plt.title("All affected areas")
```

Create a Basemap plot to visualize earthquake-affected areas on a world map. The code sets up the map projection, geographical boundaries, and resolution. It also prepares the figure for plotting.

```
# Get the most frequently earthquaked
places
most frequent earthquaked places =
data['location'].value counts().index[:10]
# Color the most frequently earthquaked
places red
for i in range(len(x)):
   if data['location'].iloc[i] in
most frequent earthquaked places:
       m.plot(x[i], y[i], "o",
markersize=2, color='red')
   else:
       m.plot(x[i], y[i], "o",
markersize=2, color='blue')
m.drawcoastlines()
```

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m.fillcontinents(color='coral',
lake_color='aqua')
m.drawmapboundary()
m.drawcountries()
plt.show()
```

Determine the most frequently earthquaked places and mark them in red on the Basemap plot, while other places are marked in blue. The code also adds coastlines, continents, a map boundary, and country boundaries to the plot and displays it.

```
# Split the 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)
```

Split the feature and target DataFrames into training and testing sets using scikit-learn's train\_test\_split function. The data is divided into training and testing sets with a 80-20 split ratio, and a random seed is set for reproducibility.

```
# Print the shapes of the splits
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```
print(np.shape(X_train), np.shape(X_test),
np.shape(y_train), np.shape(y_test))
```

Print the shapes (dimensions) of the training and testing data splits, providing information about the number of rows and columns in each set.

