CAPSTONE PROJECT

POWER SYSTEM FAULT DETECTION AND CLASSIFICATION USING ML

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PROBLEM STATEMENT

Develop a machine learning model aimed at detecting and categorizing faults in a power distribution network.

By leveraging electrical measurements, such as voltage and current phasors, the model should be capable of identifying whether the system is operating normally or experiencing faults like line-to-ground, line-to-line, or three-phase faults. The goal is to enable swift and precise identification of faults, ensuring the stability and reliability of the power grid.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

- The proposed system aims to address the challenge of accurately detecting and classifying different types of faults in a power distribution network. This enhances grid stability, reduces downtime, and allows for proactive maintenance. The solution consists of the following components:
- Data Collection:
  - Gather labeled electrical measurement data (voltage and current phasors) under normal and various fault conditions.
  - Source the dataset from Kaggle and upload it to IBM Cloud Object Storage for secure access.
- Data Preprocessing:
  - Clean the dataset by handling missing values, noise, and irrelevant features.
  - Perform feature engineering to enhance key signal characteristics that help distinguish fault types.
- Machine Learning Algorithm:
  - Implement supervised learning algorithms (e.g., Random Forest, XGBoost, Neural Network) to classify fault types.
  - Train the model to distinguish between – No Fault, Line-to-Ground(LG), Line-toLine(LL), LLG, LLLG.
- Deployment:
  - Use Watsonx.ai Studio to develop, train, and deploy the model in a cloud environment.
  - Store model artifacts and datasets in IBM Cloud Object Storage for secure access and scalability.
- Evaluation:
  - Evaluate the model using metrics like Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and F1-score.
  - Perform cross-validation and fine-tuning to improve performance and reduce false classifications.
- Results :
  - Successfully deployed a fault classification model with high accuracy, enabling real-time fault detection.

SYSTEM APPROACH

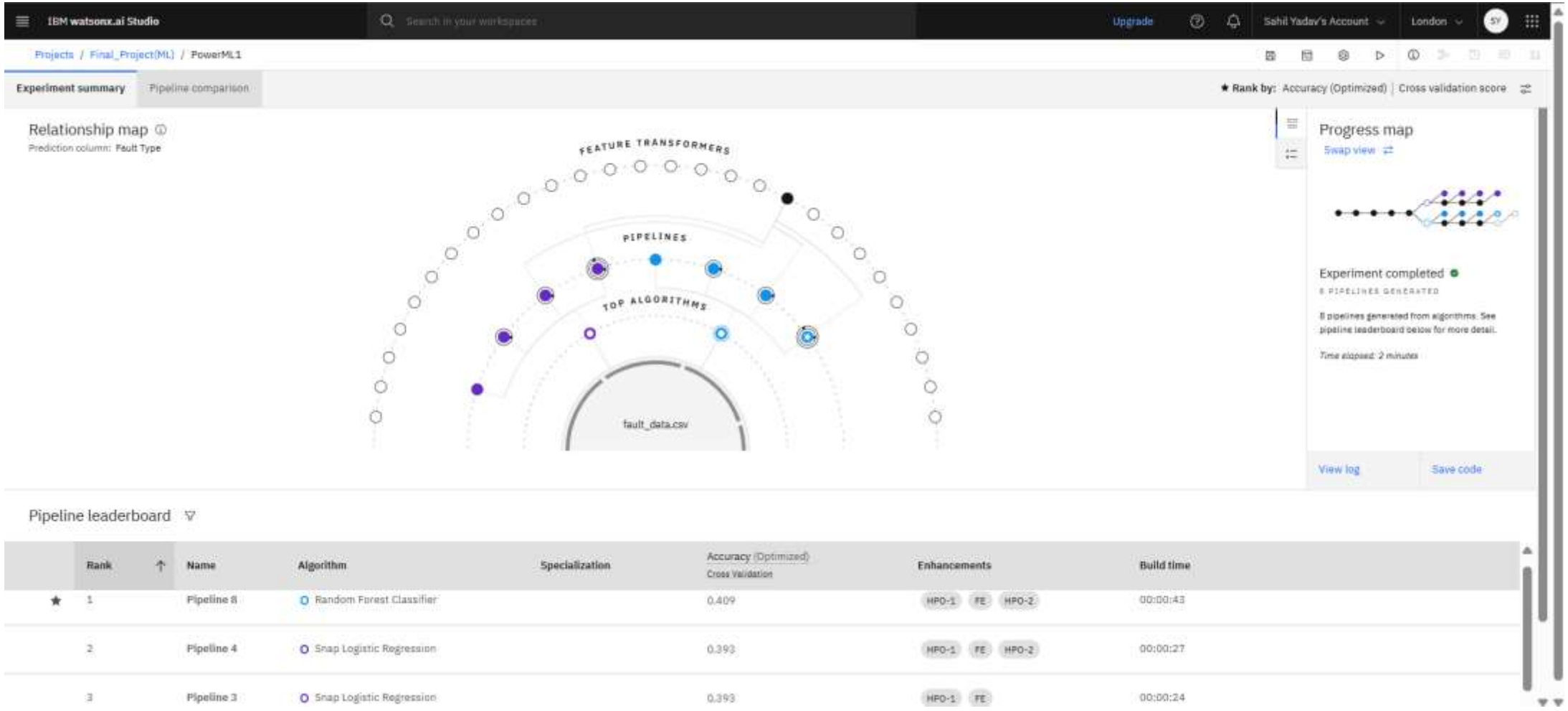
The system is designed to detect and classify faults in a power distribution network for the project: "Power System Fault Detection and Classification", using IBM Cloud services and machine learning

- **Data Ingestion**
  → Load power fault dataset from Kaggle into IBM Cloud Object Storage.
- **Data Preprocessing**
  → Clean and normalize voltage & current data, handle missing values.
- **Feature Engineering**
  → Select and extract relevant electrical features for better fault classification.
- **Model Building**
  → Use Watsonx.ai Studio to train ML models (Random Forest, XGBoost, etc.).
- **Model Evaluation**
  → Validate using accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and confusion matrix.
- **Deployment**
  → Deploy the trained model using Watsonx.ai for real-time predictions.
- **Monitoring**
  → Continuously monitor model performance and retrain when needed.

ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

- In the Algorithm section, describe the machine learning algorithm chosen for predicting power system fault types. Here's an example structure for this section:
- **Algorithm Selection:**
  Used **Random Forest** and **XGBoost** for their high accuracy, robustness, and ability to handle multi-class fault classification effectively.
- **Data Input:**
  Voltage and current phasors from power system measurements under various fault and normal conditions.
- **Training Process:**
  Trained on a labeled Kaggle dataset using data split, **cross-validation**, and **hyperparameter tuning**. Preprocessing included scaling and encoding.
- **Prediction Process:**
  The model predicts fault type (LG, LL, LLG, LLLG, or No Fault) in real-time from new voltage/current inputs, enabling fast and accurate detection.

RESULT



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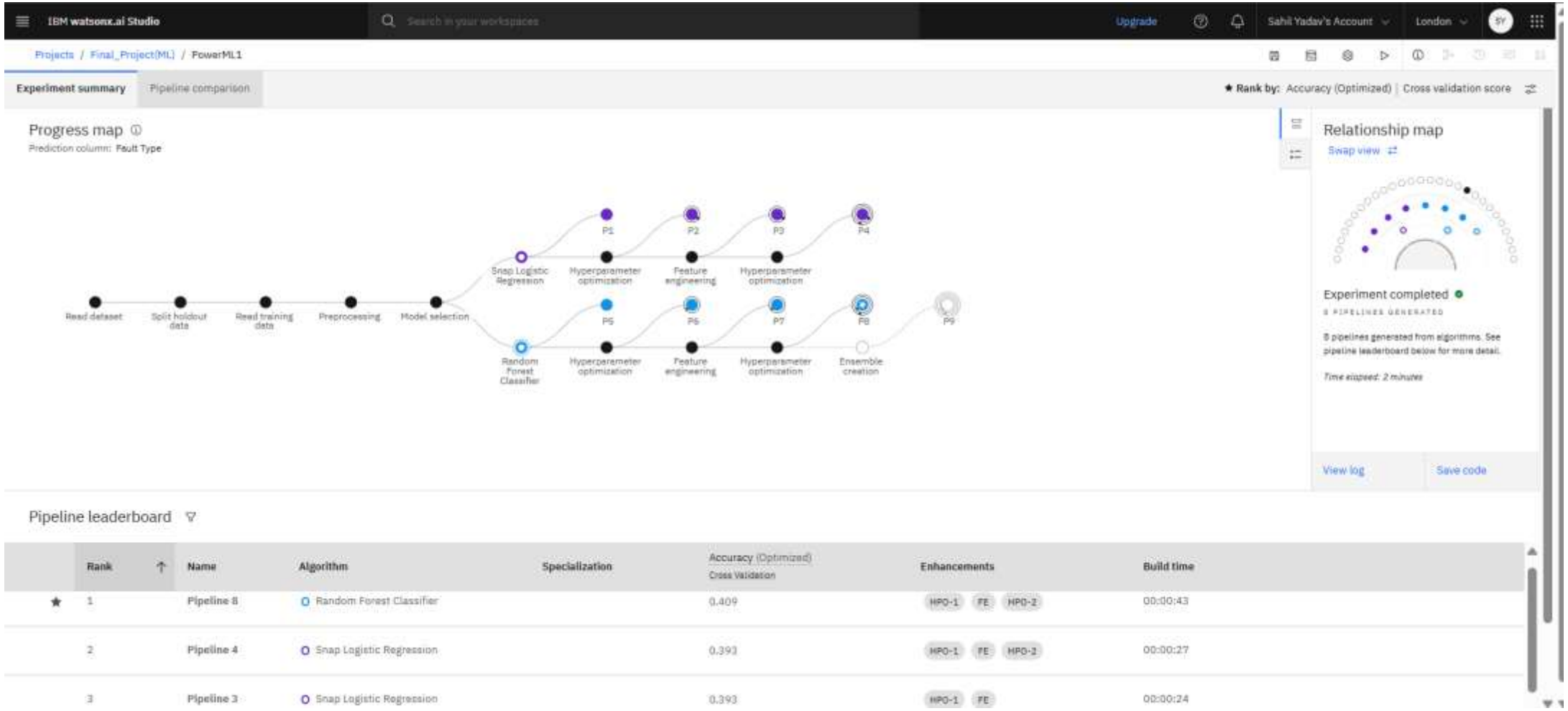

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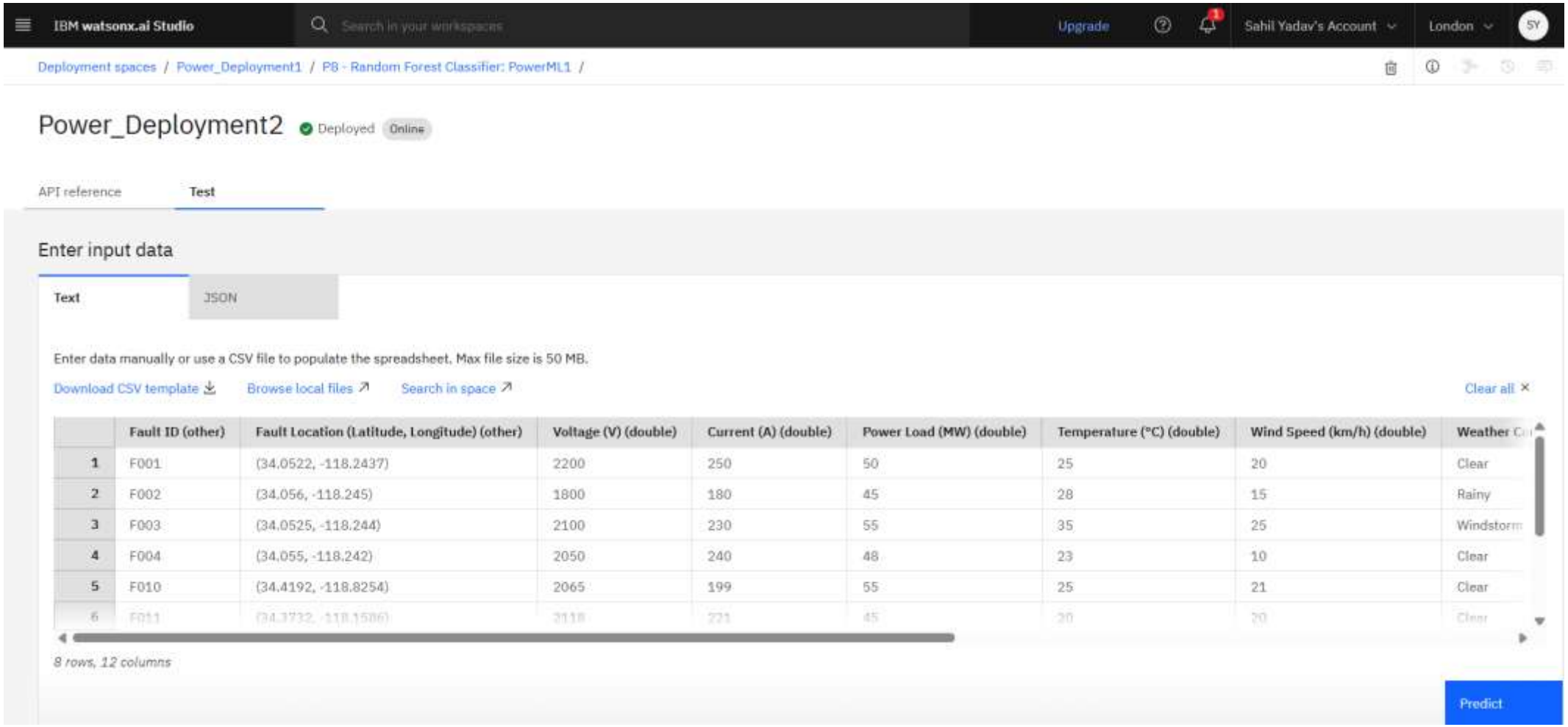

	Fault ID (other)	Fault Location (Latitude, Longitude) (other)	Voltage (V) (double)	Current (A) (double)	Power Load (MW) (double)	Temperature (°C) (double)	Wind Speed (km/h) (double)	Weather
1	F001	(34.0522, -118.2437)	2200	250	50	25	20	Clear
2	F002	(34.056, -118.245)	1800	180	45	28	15	Rainy
3	F003	(34.0525, -118.244)	2100	230	55	35	25	Windstorm
4	F004	(34.055, -118.242)	2050	240	48	23	10	Clear
5	F010	(34.4192, -118.8254)	2065	199	55	25	21	Clear
6	F011	(34.3732, -118.1586)	2118	221	45	20	20	Clear

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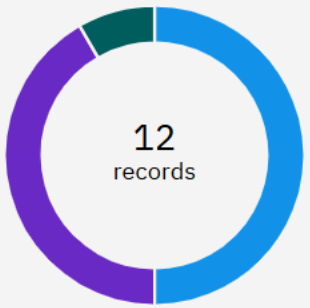
Prediction results

Prediction type

Multiclass classification

Prediction percentage



Line Breakage Transformer Failure Overheating

Confidence level distribution

Display format for prediction results

(•) Table view ( ) JSON view

Show input data

	Prediction	Confidence	Fault ID	Fault Location (Latitude, Lo	Voltage (V)	Current
1	Line Breakage	39%	F001	(34.0522, -118.2437)	2200	250
2	Transformer Failure	35%	F002	(34.056, -118.245)	1800	180
3	Overheating	37%	F003	(34.0525, -118.244)	2100	230
4	Line Breakage	54%	F004	(34.055, -118.242)	2050	240
5	Line Breakage	38%	F010	(34.4192, -118.8254)	2065	199
6	Transformer Failure	37%	F011	(34.3732, -118.1586)	2118	221
7	Transformer Failure	34%	F012	(34.0465, -118.623)	2106	247
8	Line Breakage	50%	F014	(34.3229, -118.46)	2289	192
9	Line Breakage	42%	F015	(34.2256, -118.9178)	1848	231
10	Transformer Failure	38%	F018	(34.1619, -118.6775)	2092	241
11	Transformer Failure	41%	F022	(34.1949, -118.16)	1913	182

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CONCLUSION

- In this project, I successfully developed a **machine learning model** capable of accurately detecting and classifying various **power system faults** using voltage and current phasor data.
- We used a **realistic dataset** from Kaggle and integrated it with **IBM Cloud Object Storage** and **Watsonx.ai Studio** to create a scalable and cloud-based solution.
- The model was trained to classify fault types such as:
  - Line-to-Ground (LG)
  - Line-to-Line(LL)
  - Three-Phase Faults(LLLG)

FUTURE SCOPE

- The proposed system has significant potential for future development in real-time power system monitoring. Integrating IoT-enabled sensors can allow continuous, live data collection for immediate fault detection. Deploying the model on edge devices will ensure faster response times without depending on cloud connectivity. The system can evolve into a part of self-healing smart grids by enabling automatic fault isolation and restoration. Future enhancements may include the use of deep learning models like LSTM or CNN to detect complex fault behaviors. Additionally, training on diverse regional datasets can improve generalization, making the solution scalable and applicable to varied power grid infrastructures.

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