

A Project Report

On

ClimateScope

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Abstract

Climate variability and the increasing frequency of extreme weather events pose significant challenges to environmental monitoring and infrastructure resilience. The **ClimateScope** project presents a comprehensive data-driven web application designed to analyze, visualize, and interpret global climate data to support informed decision-making. The system integrates historical and near real-time weather data to examine key climatic parameters such as temperature, humidity, precipitation, and wind speed across multiple countries.

The project follows a milestone-based development approach encompassing data collection and preprocessing, exploratory data analysis, statistical evaluation, and interactive dashboard development using **Python, Pandas, Plotly, and Streamlit**. Advanced visualizations including choropleth maps, trend analyses, correlation heatmaps, and extreme event detection provide meaningful insights into climate patterns and anomalies.

A dedicated **Infrastructure Risk Management module** extends the analytical capabilities of the dashboard by translating climate indicators into a composite infrastructure risk index. This module dynamically evaluates risk levels across selected regions, identifies high-risk periods, and supports comparative analysis for resilience planning. The application is deployed as a scalable web platform using **Streamlit Community Cloud**, enabling real-time accessibility and user interaction.

Milestone 1: Data Collection and Preprocessing

Tasks Performed:

- Collected cleaned climate data containing temperature, humidity, precipitation, wind speed, country, and timestamp fields.
- Performed data cleaning: handling missing values, correcting data types, and standardizing column names.
- Converted date-time fields (last_updated) into pandas datetime format.
- Validated data consistency across countries and time ranges.

Insights Gained:

- Climate datasets contain temporal inconsistencies that must be handled before analysis.
- Data standardization is critical for multi-country comparison.
- Missing or malformed timestamps significantly affect time-series analysis.

Outcome :

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RangeIndex: 106208 entries, 0 to 106207
Data columns (total 41 columns):
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3   longitude              106208 non-null float64
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8   temperature_fahrenheit 106208 non-null float64
9   condition_text         106208 non-null object
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17  precip_in              106208 non-null float64
18  humidity               106208 non-null int64
19  cloud                  106208 non-null int64
...
39  moon_phase             106208 non-null object
40  moon_illumination      106208 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(23), int64(7), object(11)
memory usage: 33.2+ MB
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date												
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2024-06-30	19.183897	21.745390	1.718499e+09	26.458191	79.626374	9.127355	14.694160	178.469251	1011.956417	29.882174	...	22.217657
2024-07-31	19.104503	22.120577	1.721100e+09	26.801201	80.244012	8.693869	13.995249	183.542488	1011.525457	29.869846	...	20.843492
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2025-01-31	19.180727	22.675545	1.737020e+09	17.392724	63.309158	8.078022	13.004829	164.437063	1015.991841	30.001558	...	18.340826
2025-02-28	19.115330	22.085891	1.739571e+09	17.424684	63.366942	8.283013	13.333773	160.083746	1017.145135	30.035684	...	18.434451
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Milestone 2: Exploratory Data and Statistical Analysis

Tasks Performed:

- Conducted descriptive statistical analysis for temperature, humidity, precipitation, and wind.
- Built correlation heatmaps to identify relationships between climate variables.
- Analyzed metric distributions using histograms, box plots, and violin plots.
- Implemented country-wise and temporal aggregations (monthly and seasonal).

Insights Gained:

- Temperature shows moderate correlation with humidity in several regions.
- Seasonal aggregation reveals clear climatic cycles across countries.
- Extreme values significantly influence averages, justifying separate extreme event analysis.

Outcome:

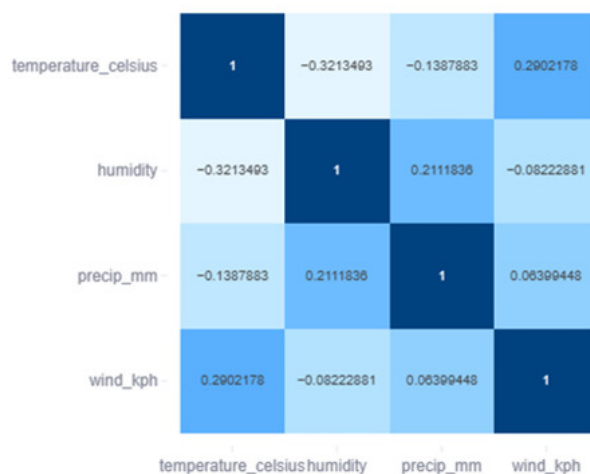


Fig 1.1 Heat Map

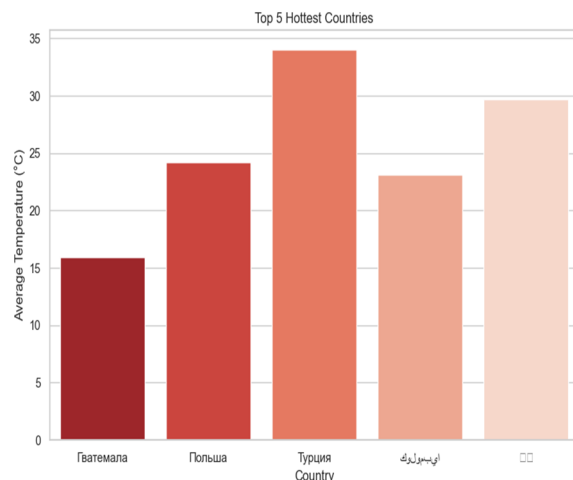


Fig 1.2 Top 5 Hot Countries

Milestone 3: Interactive Dashboard Development

Tasks Performed:

- Developed a Streamlit-based interactive dashboard.
- Implemented global filters for:
 - Country selection
 - Date range
 - Climate metric selection
 - Time aggregation (monthly / seasonal)
- Multiple interactive dashboard sections were developed, including the Executive Dashboard, Statistical Analysis, Climate Trends, and Extreme Events, to support comprehensive climate data exploration.

Insights Gained:

- Interactive filtering enables better comparative analysis across regions.
- Choropleth maps effectively highlight spatial climate variation.
- Executives benefit from KPI-style summaries before deep analysis.

Outcome:

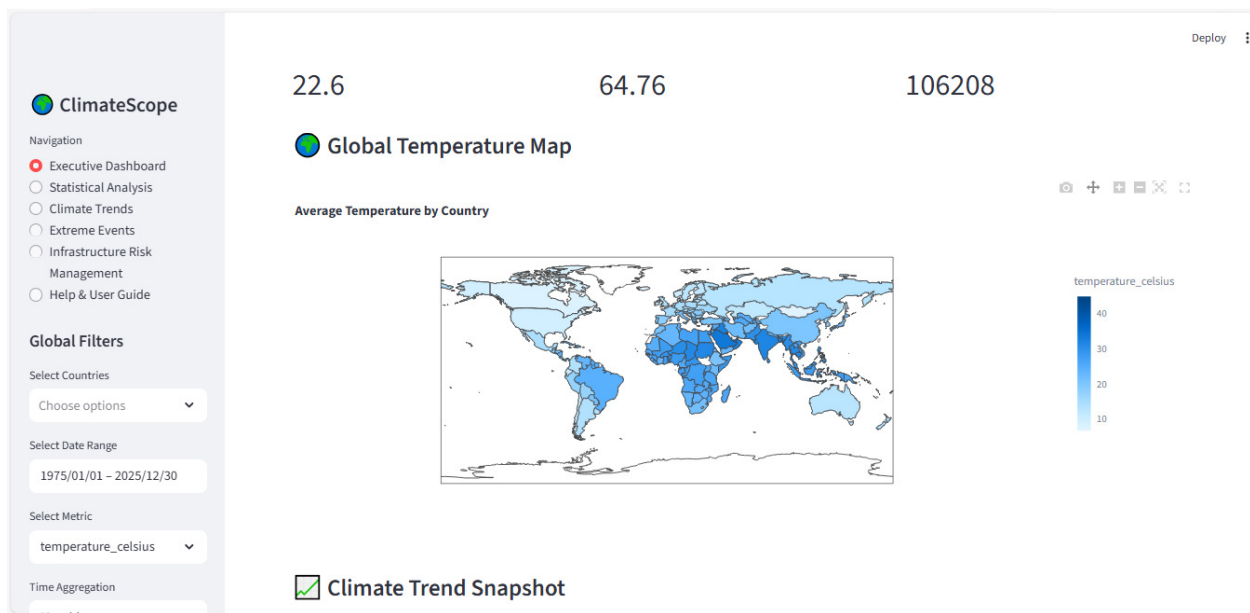


Fig 2.1 Dashboard

Milestone 4: Infrastructure Risk Management Application

Tasks Performed:

- Designed a derived Infrastructure Risk Index using weighted climate parameters.
- Formula used: - Risk Index = $(0.4 \times \text{Temperature}) + (0.35 \times \text{Precipitation}) + (0.25 \times \text{Wind Speed})$
- Classified risk levels into Low, Moderate, and High categories.
- Developed a dedicated dashboard section for Infrastructure Risk Management.
- Enabled dynamic updates of risk metrics based on selected countries and date range.

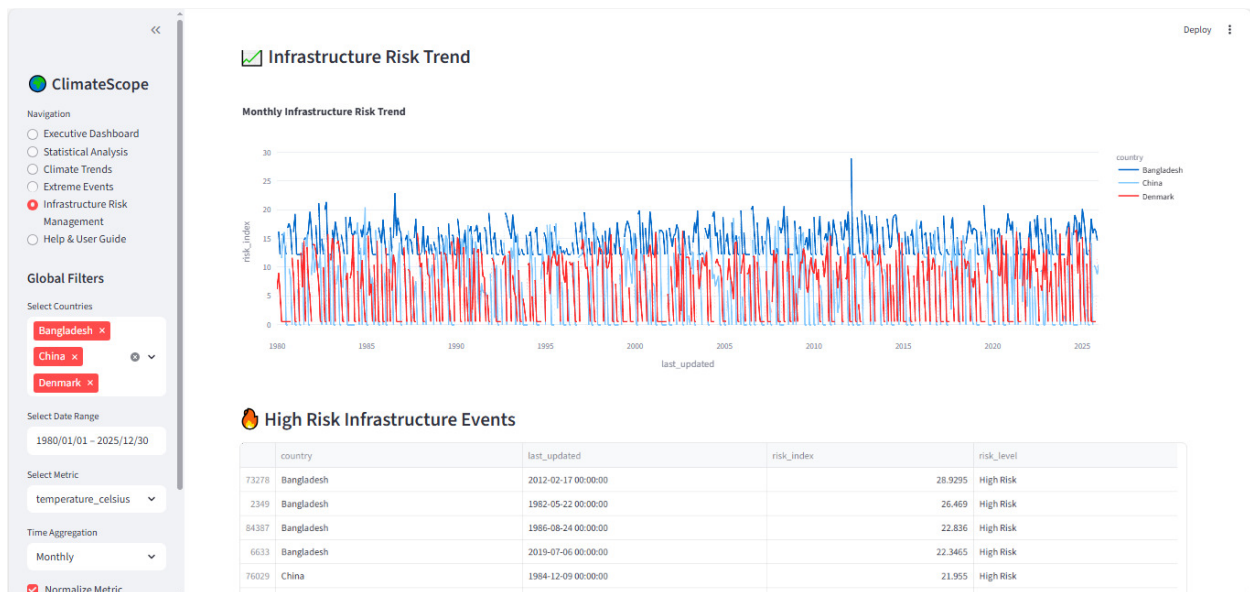
Insights Gained:

- Combined climate parameters provide a more actionable risk indicator.
- Certain countries consistently exhibit higher infrastructure risk trends.
- Risk-based dashboards bridge the gap between analysis and policy planning.

Outcome:



Fig 3.1 Infrastructure Risk Management App



Test Cases

Test Case ID	Scenario	Input	Expected Output	Result
TC01	No country selected	Empty selection	All countries selected by default	Pass
TC02	Date filter	Valid range	Filtered records shown	Pass
TC03	Metric change	Temperature → Wind	Charts update correctly	Pass
TC04	Risk calculation	Multiple countries	Risk index computed correctly	Pass
TC05	Extreme threshold	High threshold	Only extreme events shown	Pass

Errors Encountered and Resolutions

- Error 1: No countries selected
 - When no country is selected in the global filter, the system automatically defaults to all available countries, ensuring continuous data visualization without missing or null values.
- Error 2: Date filter:
 - Applying a valid date range correctly filters the dataset, and only records within the selected period are displayed across all dashboard sections.
- Error 3: Risk calculation
 - For multiple selected countries, the infrastructure risk index is computed accurately using weighted climate parameters and reflected consistently in all risk visualizations.
- Error 4: Extreme threshold:
 - When a high extreme-event threshold is set, the dashboard correctly filters and displays only those climate records that exceed the defined limit.

Conclusion

The ClimateScope project effectively demonstrates how raw and heterogeneous climate data can be transformed into meaningful and actionable insights using data science techniques and interactive web technologies.

Through a structured, milestone-driven approach, the project progressed from data collection and preprocessing to exploratory data analysis, statistical evaluation, and the development of an interactive, web-based dashboard.

The integration of advanced visualizations enabled intuitive exploration of climate patterns, trends, and extreme events across multiple regions.

Furthermore, the addition of the **Infrastructure Risk Management module** significantly enhances the practical relevance of the system by translating climatic indicators into a composite risk index.

This enables stakeholders such as planners, policymakers, and researchers to assess potential climate-induced risks and support informed decision-making.

The successful deployment of the application as a web platform demonstrates its scalability, usability, and real-world applicability.

Future Enhancements

- While ClimateScope provides a strong foundation for climate analysis and risk assessment, several enhancements can further extend its capabilities.
- Future work may include the integration of real-time climate data through external APIs to enable live monitoring and up-to-date analysis.
- Machine learning models can be incorporated to predict future climate trends and infrastructure risks based on historical patterns.
- Additionally, the system can be enhanced to support city-level analysis and infrastructure-type-specific risk modeling, allowing more granular and targeted assessments. Features such as automated alerts for high-risk events and exportable analytical reports in PDF or CSV formats can further improve usability and decision support, making ClimateScope a more comprehensive climate intelligence platform.

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