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# CRIME DATA ANALYSIS AND PREDICTION USING DECISION TREE

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## ABSTRACT:

Crime analysis and prediction is a systematic approach for identifying the crime. This system can predict region which have high probability for crime occurrences and visualize crime prone area. Using the concept of data mining we can extract previously unknown, useful information from an unstructured data. The extraction of new information is predicted using the existing datasets. Crimes are treacherous and common social problem faced worldwide. Crimes affect the quality of life ,economic growth and reputation of nation. With the aim of securing the society from crimes, there is a need for advanced systems and new approaches for improving the crime analytics for protecting their communities. We propose a system which can analysis, detect, and predict various crime probability in given region. This paper explains various types of criminal analysis and crime prediction using several data mining techniques.

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**Keywords:** *Crime, Act379, Act302, data mining.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION:

Crimes are a common social problem affecting the quality of life and the economic growth of a society [1]. It is considered an essential factor that determines whether or not people move to a new city and what places should be avoided when they travel [2]. The effects of crime on society include feelings of fear that disrupt the population's sense of unity, the breakdown of social associations due to habitual avoidance of certain places, an unwillingness to go out at night and

damage to the image of the community. The perception of a community as crime ridden can deter people from going there and induce residents to move away. This causes damage to the economy. Crime affects the economy by placing a financial burden on taxpayers and governments because of increased needs for police, courts and corrections facilities, as well as intangible costs including psychological

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trauma and reduced quality of life for crime victims. Today, a high number of crimes are causing a lot of problems in many different countries. In fact, scientists are spending time studying crime and criminal behaviors in order to understand the characteristics of crime and to discover crime patterns. Dealing with crime data is very challenging as the size of crime data grows very fast, so it can cause storage and analysis problems. In particular, issues arise as to how to choose accurate techniques for analyzing data due to the inconsistency and inadequacy of these kinds of data. These issues motivate scientists to conduct research on these kinds of data to enhance crime data analysis. Dealing with crime data is very challenging as the size of crime data grows very fast, so it can cause storage and analysis problems. In particular, issues arise as to how to choose accurate techniques for analyzing data due to the inconsistency and inadequacy of these kinds of data. These issues motivate scientists to conduct research on these kinds of data to enhance crime data analysis [3]. The objective of this research is to apply suitable machine learning algorithm on crime data to predict the likelihood of a county having low, medium or high violent crimes.

## **2. LITERATURE SURVEY:**

**A. Criminology and Crime Analysis**  
Criminology is an area that focuses on the scientific study of crime and criminal behavior and law enforcement and is a process that aims to

identify crime characteristics [4]. It is one of the most important fields where the application of data mining techniques can produce important results. Crime analysis, a part of criminology, is a task that includes exploring and detecting crimes and their relationships with criminals. The high volume of crime datasets and also the complexity of relationships between these kinds of data have made criminology an appropriate field for applying data mining techniques. Identifying crime characteristics is the first step for developing further analysis. The knowledge that is gained from data mining approaches is a very useful tool which can help and support police forces [5]. According to [6], solving crimes is a complex task that requires human intelligence and experience and data mining is a technique that can assist Law Enforcement Agencies with crime detection problems. The idea here is to try to capture years of human experience into computer models via data mining. **B. Why Crime Is Predictable** There is a strong body of evidence to support the theory that crime is predictable (in the statistical sense) mainly because criminals tend to operate in their comfort zone [7]. That is, they tend to commit the type of crimes that they have committed successfully in the past, generally close to the same time and location. Although this is not universally true, it occurs with sufficient frequency to make these methods work reasonably

well. There are major theories of criminal behavior, such as routine activity theory, rational choice theory, and crime pattern theory. These theories are consolidated into what is referred to as a blended theory.

### C. Review of Classification Algorithms

Classification algorithms that are mostly used in predictions basing on historical data. Classification is a class prediction technique, which is supervised in nature. This technique possesses the ability to predict the label for classes, provided that sufficient numbers of training examples are available. There is a variety of classification algorithms available, including Support vector machines, k Nearest Neighbors, weighted voting and Artificial Neural Networks. All these techniques can be applied to a dataset for discovering set of models to predict the unknown class label. In classification, the dataset is divided into two sets, namely the training set (dependent set) and a test set (independent set). The machine learning algorithm initially runs on the training set, than later the predicting model is applied on the test set. The following are classification algorithms that are used in crime predictions.

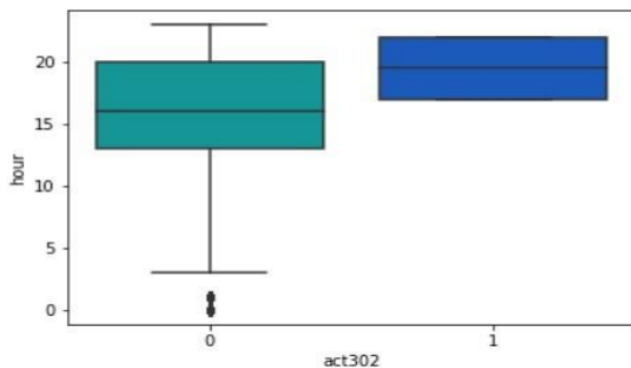
## 3. METHODOLOGY

The term machine learning refers to the automated detection of meaningful patterns in data. In the past couple of decades it has become a common

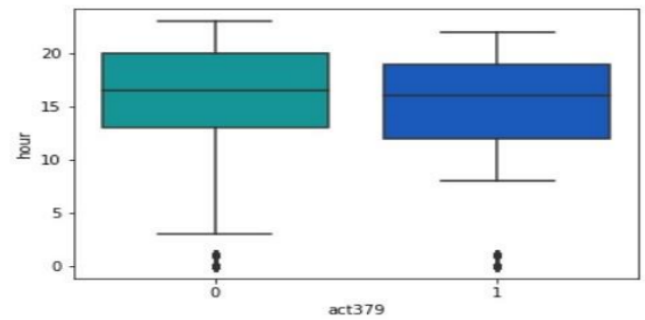
tool in almost any task that requires information extraction from large data sets. We are surrounded by a machine learning based technology: search engines learn how to bring us the best results (while placing portable ads), anti-spam software learns to filter our email messages, and credit card transactions are secured by a software that learns how to detect frauds. Digital cameras learn to detect faces and intelligent personal assistance applications on smart-phones learn to recognize voice commands. Cars are equipped with accident prevention systems that are built using machine learning algorithms. Machine learning is also widely used in scientific applications such as bioinformatics, medicine, and astronomy. One common feature of all of these applications is that, in contrast to more traditional uses of computers, in these cases, due to the complexity of the patterns that need to be detected, a human programmer cannot provide an explicit, fine detailed specification of how such tasks should be executed. Taking example from intelligent beings, many of our skills are acquired or reined through learning from our experience (rather than following explicit instructions given to us). Machine learning tools are concerned with endowing programs with the ability to learn and adapt.

Random Forests is a very popular ensemble learning method which builds a number

of classifiers on the training data and combines all their outputs to make the best predictions on the test data. Thus, the Random Forests algorithm is a variance minimizing algorithm that uses randomness when making split decision to help avoid overfitting on the training data. A random forests classifier is an ensemble classifier, which aggregates a family of classifiers  $h(x|\theta_1), h(x|\theta_2), \dots, h(x|\theta_k)$ . Each member of the family,  $h(x|\theta)$ , is a classification tree and  $k$  is the number of trees chosen from a model random vector. Also, each  $\theta_k$  is a randomly chosen parameter vector. If  $D(x,y)$  denotes the training dataset, each classification tree in the ensemble is built using a different subset  $D_{\theta_k}(x,y) \subset D(x,y)$  of the training dataset.



**Fig.3.1. Act of 302 results.**



**Fig.3.2. Act of 379 results.**

## CONCLUSION

In this paper focused on building predictive models for crime frequencies per crime type per month. The crime rates in India are increasing day by day due to many factors such as increase in poverty, implementation, corruption, etc. The proposed model is very useful for both the investigating agencies and the police official in taking necessary steps to reduce crime. The project helps the crime analysis to analysis these crime networks by means of various interactive visualization. Future enhancement of this research work on training bots to predict the crime prone areas by using machine learning techniques. Since, machine learning is similar to data mining advanced concept of machine learning can be used for better prediction. The data privacy, reliability, accuracy can be improved for enhanced prediction.

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