

Student Performance Prediction Using Machine Learning

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Abstract: In the era of data-driven decision-making, educational institutions leverage technology to predict student performance effectively. This paper presents a comprehensive study on existing literature in student performance analysis and proposes a detailed design for an automated system using Django, Pandas, and Machine Learning. Student academic performance prediction is a crucial task in the education sector, enabling early identification of students who may require additional support. This study leverages machine learning techniques to analyze various factors affecting student performance, such as academic records, attendance, behavioural traits, and socioeconomic status. The system employs the Support Vector Machine (SVM) algorithm for classification, predicting students' performance levels as High, Medium, or Low.

Keywords: Student Performance, Machine Learning, CSV Processing, personalized learning, SVM

1. INTRODUCTION

Student performance prediction plays a crucial role in educational institutions to monitor academic progress and provide necessary interventions. Traditional manual analysis is time-consuming and prone to errors. With advancements in data analytics, machine learning techniques can be employed to automate this process. This paper presents a literature review on student performance prediction methodologies and details the proposed system's architecture, which integrates Django for web-based implementation and machine learning for predictive insights. The system will feature distinct logins for teachers and students, where teachers can upload student performance data and recommend study materials, while students can access personalized insights.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

We studied 10 different research papers, which we have mentioned in the reference section. From which we understand that numerous studies have explored student performance prediction and data-driven education analytics:

Educational Data Mining (EDM) techniques such as Decision Trees, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Neural Networks have been widely applied for student outcome prediction.

Research has demonstrated that SVM model offers high accuracy in classifying students based on performance indicators.

Prior studies emphasize the importance of academic scores but often fail to consider engagement and behavioural parameters, which are critical in student success.

Most existing models lack real-time CSV processing capabilities for dynamic updates, limiting their practical implementation in academic institutions.

Few systems incorporate personalized learning strategies, whereas this project introduces a teacher-driven study material recommendation mechanism based on individual student performance.

Studies have highlighted the effectiveness of role-based educational platforms, supporting the need for teacher and student logins for efficient monitoring and guidance.

3. PROPOSED SYSTEM AND DETAILED DESIGN

System Overview:

The proposed system consists of three major components:

User Authentication and Role-Based Access:

Separate login systems for teachers and students. Students can create profiles with personal and academic details. Teachers can access student data, upload CSV files, and provide personalized study material recommendations.

Data Collection and Preprocessing:

Students provide academic details during profile creation. Teachers upload CSV files containing student performance data. The system processes data using Pandas, handling missing values and normalizing scores for consistency.

Predictive Analytics and Recommendation System:

The system uses an SVM (Support Vector Machine) model for student performance prediction. Teachers can review predictions and assign personalized study materials to students who need assistance.

System Architecture:

The architecture consists of:

Frontend: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Bootstrap (for user interaction)

Backend: Django (handling requests, processing data, storing results)

Database: SQLite (for persistent data storage)

Machine Learning Model: Implemented using Scikit-learn with SVM for classification.

Workflow Diagram :**Student Registration and Profile Creation**

Explain what details students need to enter (e.g., name, roll number, course, previous grades). Mention if any validation checks are applied (e.g., ensuring correct format for email or numeric values). Clarify how student data is stored securely in the database.

Teacher Login and Data Upload

Describe how teachers authenticate (e.g., username-password authentication). Explain the CSV format requirements (columns needed, data structure). Discuss how incorrect or incomplete data is handled.

Data Preprocessing and Cleansing

Detail how missing values are managed (e.g., mean imputation, removing empty records). Explain normalization techniques used to standardize student scores. Mention if outliers are detected and removed.

Prediction Model Execution

Explain how the SVM model is trained (features used, label categories).

Discuss the accuracy of the model and potential improvements. Clarify how real-time predictions are generated when new data is uploaded.

Personalized Study Material Recommendation

Explain how recommendations are generated based on predicted student categories.

Describe whether teachers manually upload study materials or if the system suggests them automatically.

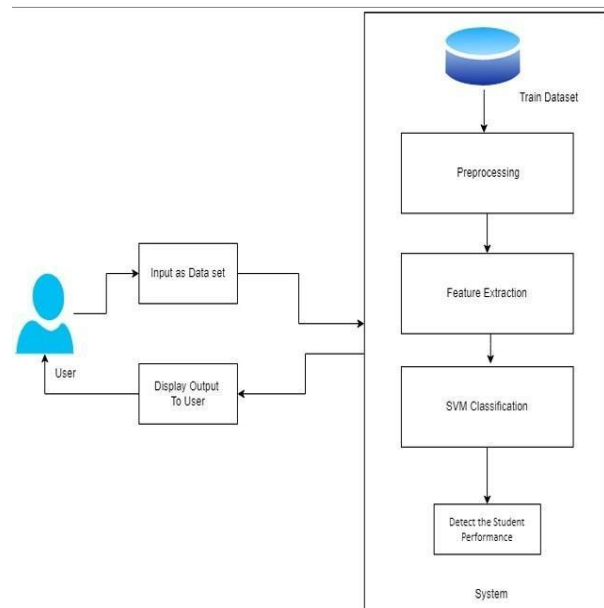


Figure 1. System Architecture

4. CONCLUSION

This paper presents a literature survey on student performance prediction and details the design of an automated system for predictive analytics. The system features role-based access, CSV-based data processing, an SVM predictive model, and personalized study recommendations. Future work will focus on implementing the methodologies, training machine learning models, and evaluating the system's effectiveness through real-world testing.

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