Machine Learning for Smarter Urban Planning: Transforming Society Through Technological Intervention

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Abstract. Artificial intelligence and machine learning have become popular tools for smart development in society. AI and ML are not only helping to solve the problem but also predicting and analyzing futuristic aspects. This study provides how machine learning is important for smart city development and it futuristic challenges. Smart cities are an important agenda of SDG-2030. A sustainable society is an important challenge of SDG-2030 which can be achieved through technology in the transportation system, healthcare sectors, etc. Machine learning played a huge role in the development of urbanization. Many applications and datasets are used for smart city development, analysis of situations, and prediction of results. This research discovers the role of smart AI and ML in smart city development. The study emphasized the concept of ML method and its use in smart city development. This study finds the existing datasets and applications used in smart city development. A study has found the use of AI and ML in society since 2004. The study emphasized the future challenges of AI and ML in smart city development.

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1 Introduction

The idea of livability is critical for converting intelligent units into living environments. Cities, on the other hand, are frequently exposed to unanticipated problems such as economic and human-caused disturbances, pollution, Sustainable society issues, unwanted health problems, and diplomatic embargoes. The recent pandemic outbreak in the world emphasizes the importance of smart, sustainable, megacities in optimizing urban systems to deal with potential external disturbances. The inability of holistic thinking to optimize development difficulties has prompted questions about whether aspiring smarter cities can face different types of issues that exist in society like energy efficiency, pollution, and management of transportation. Smart cities are sophisticated urban ecological systems that utilize data to optimize issues and enhance citizens' quality of life [1]. Smart cities use information and communication technol-

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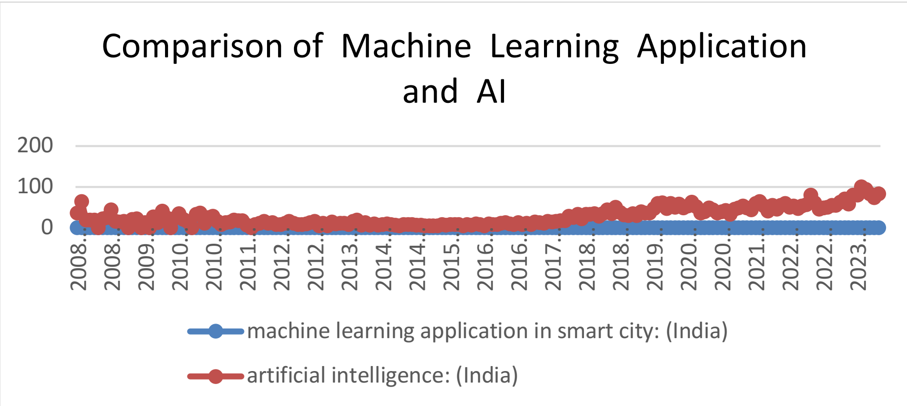
ogy (ICT) and other technologies to keep a better lifestyle for people, keep operations running, and increase service efficiency. However, cyber assaults in big cities are growing more common, with the ability to cripple essential infrastructure, steal customer data, and cause widespread fear. Cyber security threats are also a concern for the self-driving vehicle sector, with accident liability becoming a hot topic [2]. Deep Learning (DL), which allows computers to emulate people for analytical learning, has demonstrated considerable gains over machine-learn-based systems, with DL intrusion detection having benefits in detecting encryption and zero-day assaults [3]. Smart cities are emerging as a sustainable and high-quality urban development strategy, concentrating on resource efficiency and reducing environmental impact. Machine Learning (ML) technology enables models to be taught on data sets and automatically improved through experimentation. This artificial intelligence has the potential to transform utility business paradigms, therefore boosting services, mobility, and comfort. Smart Cities and ML seek to optimise urban planning and integrate city services to provide personalized outcomes. This chapter contributes scientifically to the discussion and overview of various technologies [4]. Smart Cities (SCs) are a framework that uses ICT to address urbanisation concerns. As more individuals interact with SC platforms, new data-driven technologies like big data, AI, ML, DL, and IoT are being created to revolutionise many industries [5].



(Source: Google Trend)

Fig. 1: Comparison of Machine Learning Applications and AI used in India from 2008 to 2023

Figure I compared the use of ML and artificial intelligence in different types of technology. Data taken from 2008 to 2023 from Google trend. It shows That the use of technology increased since 2008. Smart cities are concerned with ICT, which is used in smart transportation, healthcare systems, human communication, smart home technology, etc. Smart city programs must handle security challenges like zero-day attacks, resource constraints in IoT devices, and smartly identifying cyberattacks before they disrupt operations. Currently in use intrusion detection systems (IDS) overlook these issues. Fog computing attempts to alleviate these issues by sharing the computational load, reducing energy usage, network traffic, and latency, and enabling quick responses to IoT based smart city applications. This technique lets network managers prevent major harm without interfering with the normal course of urban life. Signature-based techniques are not suitable for identifying unknown attacks and have a large processing overhead. They compare questionable samples with signatures that have already been created [6]. Blockchain technology can aid in standardization, exchange, evaluation, and storage of patient data in a forgery-proof way, decreasing the need for medical subsystem harmonization. This technology can also be employed in other sectors where consistent, unchanging data sharing is required. It tackles IoT security issues by providing capabilities such as immutability, transparency, data encryption, and operational resilience. Networked smart home apps can assist patients in interacting with their doctors, allowing for real-time decision-making based on patient data. In the worst-case scenario, fall sensors or healthcare wearables can detect falls and direct ambulances to the proper hospital based on diagnosis [7]. This combination of smart diagnostics and wearables has the potential to assist elderly patients in living independently in their homes. Voice commands can be used to collect patient data and allocate it to intelligent devices [8].

2. Overview of Machine Learning

With the help of ML technology machines, learn without human interaction. Figure 2 showing types of machine learning. This process reduces human effort and completes tasks within a moment which requires a lot of time and effort. It entails giving high-quality data to multiple algorithms and training them. The methods used are determined by the type of data and the task being automated. An ML algorithm, for example, can learn to play chess by playing several games and forecasting the system's win probability [4]. Artificial intelligence and ML are linked but not identical. Artificial intellect strives to construct robots with human-level intellect and critical thinking abilities, whereas ML is a subset of AI that aims to create machines that learn independently from data. The main aim of ML is to conduct marketing investigation while AI is used for marketing profession services [22]. Power system performance and analysis are enhanced by the generation of large amounts of data from diverse sources by contemporary power equipment and grid modernization procedures. ML techniques are frequently applied in forecasting analysis, grid management and control, and information extraction from power system components. The benefits of ML techniques include faster decision-making, more accuracy, processing large amounts of data, and the ability to forecast future system circumstances [10].

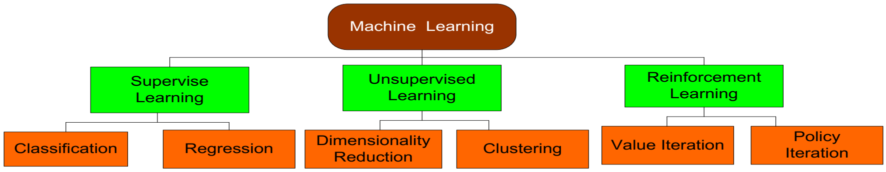


Fig. 2: Classification of Machine Learning

In supervised learning, a supervisor instructs a machine using well-labeled data. The machine is then fed with more instances to examine and produce accurate findings. This method allows for the collection and generation of data based on past experiences, the optimization of performance needs, and the resolution of real-world computing challenges. It can execute classification and regression tasks, estimate outcomes to a new sample, and regulate class selection in training data. Humans frequently regard the high-accuracy forecasts of artificial neural networks as opaque, particularly in sensitive domains such as healthcare or finance [6]. Because of its biologically inspired modeling and analysis tool, unsupervised representation learning is gaining traction in neuroscience and cognitive research. ML and developmental science have a long history of collaboration, with requests to research animals and people to gain insights into their basic brain machinery. However, this viewpoint concentrates on newborns and their growth since they are akin to unsupervised learning computational systems. Infants' representations are learned quickly, with few instances from a small number of classes, as opposed to the massive datasets necessary to train DNNs. Several helping elements for this unexpected performance have been uncovered by developmental research, which requires debate for ML [23]. This viewpoint proposes three characteristics of infant learning that ML researchers should address and describes how current research is being conducted [20].

3. Intelligent Cyber Security System

Cybersecurity is an important part of SCs, and with the growing popularity of AI and ML, these technologies are becoming essential actors in the sector. ML has several uses in cybersecurity, including detecting cyber threats, enhancing antivirus software, and combating cybercrime. Antivirus software that incorporates ML attempts to identify viruses or malware based on aberrant behaviour rather than signatures. ML algorithms may assist in detecting user behaviour patterns, such as login and logout habits, and alerting the cybersecurity team when they are detected. Many hackers use ML to detect security flaws and breach systems. Emails may be scanned and possible risks identified using natural language processing and anomaly detection technology [12].

Because they are intelligent and ubiquitous, pervasive environments have become more and more popular over the last 20 years. Small drones, such as quadcopters and mini drones, are now possible thanks to drone technology. These drones can be used for monitoring and surveillance in a variety of settings, such as industrial areas, disaster management, military applications, search and rescue, shipping and delivery, precision agriculture, and aerial photography. Table showing datasets used for cyber security systems. They can also easily enter and hover inside buildings. Weather forecasting and aerial photography are two uses for commercial drones. The swift advancement of drone technology has presented obstacles to security, privacy, liability, safety, and regulations. Presently, scientists are investigating the potential for enhancing drone intelligence through the incorporation of sensors, transmitters, and cameras for a range of intricate uses [13]. Popular Dataset Used for Cyber Security Systems are given in Table 1.

Table 1: Popular Dataset Used for Cyber Security System

Dataset	Description	References
KDD Cup 1999 Dataset	This dataset is used for evaluation. This is also known as a benchmark data set.	[8]
ISOT	This is openly available.	[9]
HTTP CSIC 2010 Dataset	This dataset generates web requests automatically. Dataset generates and analyzes web request	[10-12]
CTU-13 (Czech Technical University) Dataset	This is comprised of different malware in the system. This dataset is used for the detection of malware.	[14]
UNSW-NB15 Dataset	Useful to trace from DDoS Attack.	[13]

A city's success depends on clever people, smart administration, and a smart economy, all of which require further study. To facilitate quicker innovation, cognitive computing is highlighted as a critical necessity for enterprises operating in smart cities. Future research should cover more ground at once and consider every aspect of a smart city. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which supports activities toward people, the planet, prosperity, peace, and collaboration, depends on an understanding of major developments relating to smart cities. Given that the global population is predicted to quadruple by 2050, urbanization is a major demographic trend. With growing interest in advanced digital technologies and their use in cities, SCs have emerged as a fundamental idea in the new economy. This study combines the multifaceted concept of the smart city with the "intelligent city" approach, considering the people, economy, environment, living, mobility, and governance. Since open data facilitates decision-making and creates new services, it ought to help the new economy [21].

3.1 Intelligent Healthcare System

ML, with its capacity to offer prognostic and diagnostic techniques, protocols, and instruments, is a vital tool in many medical fields. Clinical indicators and their combinations are examined to give prognosis, outcomes research, therapy planning, and patient care. It can assess continuous data in the ICU, spot anomalies in flawed data, and provide intelligent alerts for inefficient monitoring. When applied properly, ML can improve the quality and efficiency of medical care, improve the job of medical personnel, and incorporate computer-based technologies into the healthcare setting. There are different types of applications related to ML in the healthcare sector including biological signal processing, computer-based medical interpretation systems, and medical diagnostic reasoning. These systems aim to maintain accurate diagnosis. ML is significant in the medical care system because it provides a good healthcare system and real-time detection of diseases by giving accurate treatment, anticipating illnesses in their early stages, and performing disease studies. The smart city paradigm combines cutting-edge technology to provide real-time, interactive, and intelligent municipal services [10]. Wearable sensors are being used in smart healthcare, an emerging Internet of Things (IoT) application, to track users' or patients' health conditions. Wearable technology aids medication research, disease identification, safety provisioning, smart hospital development, and remote patient monitoring [24]. Biomedical sensors, which measure things like blood pressure, temperature, and activity, and different types of innovations, which provide actual data within moments, are some key technologies for creating a good medical care system [9].

3.2 Smart Transport and Smart Grid System

Research on smart logistics is still in its infancy, concentrating on concepts and lab experiments. Possible areas of focus include flow shop challenges, inventory management, decision-making support systems, predictive maintenance, continuous reporting, flow shop optimization, and operational logistics protocols. These subjects ought to be covered in future studies. By integrating Internet of Things sensors and extended short-term memory networks, smart congestion management helps reduce air pollution and the spread of congestion. Internet-connected appliances that provide improved energy efficiency and monitoring are part of smart homes. Wearable technology and implants are examples of health-care assistance devices that monitor wounds and give physicians data. Embedded sensors are used in smart transportation to optimize parking, routes, and traffic control. Wireless sensors are used for pollutant levels and weather stations in environmental conditions monitoring. The way we live, and work are changing because of these developments [15]. Industry 4.0 is a new industrial revolution that connects equipment and activities to the Internet via network sensors, creating massive amounts of data. ML and DL are Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies that are used to analyses this data and create important information about industrial businesses. This article discusses the fundamentals of Industry 4.0, including its characteristics, needs, and problems, as well as a new AIA architecture. It also examines the most significant ML and DL algorithms employed in Industry 4.0, specifically in smart grids, as well as trends and problems in data analysis in the new Industrial age [16]. The most widely utilized method for assessing smart cities is predictive analytics since it is dependable and simple to understand. Nonetheless, research on smart environments and smart transportation has dominated, with relatively little on smart economics, governance, or people. China is the nation with the greatest degree of integration with smart cities; its approaches to urban transportation and energy efficiency are exceptional [7]. Numerous applications, including resource allocation, city planning, food supply, energy demand forecasting, mobility management, and air pollution monitoring, have demonstrated the potential of ML techniques. On the other hand, little is known about the prevalent approaches, categories, and potential developments in these fields. By offering the most advanced machine learning and DL techniques for smart cities with an emphasis on sustainable urban sustainability, our research seeks to close this gap [11]. The Smart Grid (SG) is a next-generation power grid meant to improve the reliability and efficiency of energy delivery. It is equipped with powerful communication and processing capabilities, necessitating the use of a variety of approaches for data analysis and decision-making. Big data analytics, ML, and DL are critical for analysing this vast quantity of data and producing important insights [16]. The survival of SG is dependent on automated control and safe information transit and storage [17].

3.3 Smart Communication System

Computer networks containing sensor nodes that use sensors to keep an eye on their surroundings are known as wireless sensor networks or WSNs. These networks, which have their roots in self-organizing ad hoc networks, facilitate the interchange of commands or data without the need for clear hierarchies. They can self-heal, their communication is more stable, and their configuration is easier. Ad hoc networks can be added during operation or without notice, and they are distinguished by their unpredictable, dynamic behavior. One of the biggest developments in sensor networks at the turn of the millennium was the introduction of WSNs. In emerging technologies and IoT systems, communication is essential. All interactions and networks within a society are managed by intelligent communication. This technology provides real-time data and forecasts future outcomes where strategies can be put into practice [9]. Due to their age, traditional power grids—which were built for centralized power generation—need new methods for managing and controlling distributed renewable energy sources and energy storage devices. Emerging are next-generation Smart Grids (SGs) that cover power grid infrastructure with a hierarchical communication system. Smart metering is an evolutionary step towards a smarter grid system since it provides enhanced monitoring, automatic fault detection, and reports [7]. In comparison to conventional encryption techniques, the platform encrypts data using the energy-efficient Triangle Based Security Algorithm (TBSA) for Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs). The platform strives to strike a compromise between energy efficiency, security, and facilitating communication between numerous IoT nodes over a broad coverage area. Ther are different ML techniques that will be used to understand the relation of different metrological parameters [17], which will later help to design different mitigation techniques for smart urban planning [18].

4. Futures scope and challenges

- Large volumes of data are used by smart cities, so protecting the security and privacy of this data is essential. Invest in data encryption, strong cybersecurity safeguards, and adherence to data protection laws such as the GDPR. Create and put into effect moral standards for the use of data. Encourage data standardization and interoperability amongst the city's diverse systems and gadgets. Create standard data formats and protocols to enable smooth communication between the many elements of the ecosystem for smart cities.
- Encourage open data regulations that allow the public access to non-sensitive data and stimulate creativity. It is important to enable academics, developers, and entrepreneurs to produce innovative applications and solutions for the city by granting them access to data. Include the public in the process of developing applications for smart cities and making decisions. Provide forums for public comment and input to make sure that technology is in line with community requirements and preferences.
- Make sure your smart city projects are scalable and long-lasting. Think about incorporating cutting-edge technology like quantum computing, blockchain, and 5G. Execute projects with an eye toward the future to adapt to the quick speed at which technology is developing. To automate decision-making and produce increasingly accurate forecasts, ML algorithms will keep developing. This will allow cities to proactively address problems like public safety, energy consumption, and traffic congestion. ML in smart cities has a lot of promises to improve the sustainability, livability, and efficiency of urban areas. To achieve these opportunities, though, it also presents privacy, security, and ethical issues that need to be properly handled.
- Sustainable society is an important agenda of SDG-2030. ML played a huge role in this achievement. There is a requirement for robust infrastructure and equipment for society development with the help of ML.
- There are several issues developed while using technology like security, fraud, data stealing, and privacy. This issue is also addressed through technological inventions.

5. Conclusion

Smart cities, which are fueled by innovation, data, and technology, are the urban life of the future. ML has shown it to be a potent instrument in determining the future course of these cities. As we come to the end of our investigation into ML in smart cities, there is a plethora of transformational applications available. ML is a key component of smart cities, catalyzing the development of more responsive, sustainable, and efficient urban settings rather than just being an add-on technology. ML is completely changing the way cities function, from energy efficiency to public safety, from traffic control to healthcare. It is improving decision-making procedures, forecasting results, and allocating resources as efficiently as possible. But there are obstacles to the way of creating smarter cities. Data security and privacy are critical in these deeply interwoven ecosystems. Data security becomes an essential problem as more data is gathered, processed, and sent. It's crucial to strike the correct balance between privacy and data use. With great potential, machine learning in smart cities is still in its early stages of development. These cities have the power to develop economic possibilities, encourage sustainability, and improve the standard of living for their citizens. They must promote community participation, preserve flexibility, and manage data security problems as they continue to evolve. Machine learning will continue to be at the vanguard of this revolutionary urban change, and the future of smart cities seems very promising.

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