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Progress Report 1

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Introductions

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Research Interests:

- Cybersecurity
- Connectivity in Rural and Under-Served Areas
- Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence



Client: Dr. Amreesh Phokeer

Profession: Research Manager at AFRINIC

Research Interests:

- Interdomain routing
- Network Security
- Internet Measurements
- Software Design



Project Scope and Objectives

Background

- AFRINIC(Regional Internet Registry for Africa) – allocate internet number resources to network providers
- MIRA(Measuring Internet Resiliency in Africa) – survey current state of Internet in African countries and measure internet infrastructure resiliency
- Need of proper metric aggregation method that represents country's internet resiliency
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Objectives

- 1. Identify relevant metrics to rank network resilience among different spatial extents of Africa
- 2. Create aggregate index representation of resilience metrics
- 3. Set up ETL pipeline to facilitate re-calibration process of model parameters
- 4. Create visualization to display aggregate index to stakeholders and end users

Major Deliverables and Tasks Timelines

Theoretical Framework (February – Mid March)

- 1. Identify metrics that encompass overall level of resilience
- 2. Determine methodology to aggregate selected metrics
- 3. Extract and process data
- 4. Utilize statistical methods and SME opinions to assign weights for each metric

ETL Pipeline (Mid March – Early April)

- 1. Automate data extraction from all sources
- 2. Data transformation pipeline to process data for analysis for weight determination
- 3. Create scheduling task to execute above

Data Visualization (April)

- 1. Create dashboard display African regions' internet resiliency score
- 2. Deploy dashboard on AFRINIC site

Written Final Deliverables (Late April - Early May)

- 1. Create final presentation and present to client, classmates, advisors and lecturers
- 2. Complete documentation of all methodologies used
- 3. Prepare final report of processes and results

Risks and Mitigation

Risk 1: Globality of Team

- Utilizing shared virtual spaces to highest capacity Google Drive, GitHub
- 2. Hosting 2 regularly scheduled meetings per week for student team
- 3. Hosting 1 regularly scheduled meeting per week with advisor and client
- 4. Communicating immediate needs through social media spaces Slack, WhatsApp

Risk 2: Limited Time to Complete Project

- 1. Create project timeline highlighting all phases and associated tasks
- 2. Set expectations on final deliverables and process as early as possible
- 3. Leverage differing data science, software development and networking experience to evenly distribute tasks and facilitate learning and mentorship

Risk 3: External Data Procurement

- 1. Performing literature review as soon as possible to gauge most relevant metrics
- 2. Evenly and efficiently assigning preprocessing tasks

Risk 4: Insufficient Data

- 1. Extensively research metrics included in aggregate index
- 2. Document required data and data availability

Questions

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Thank you!