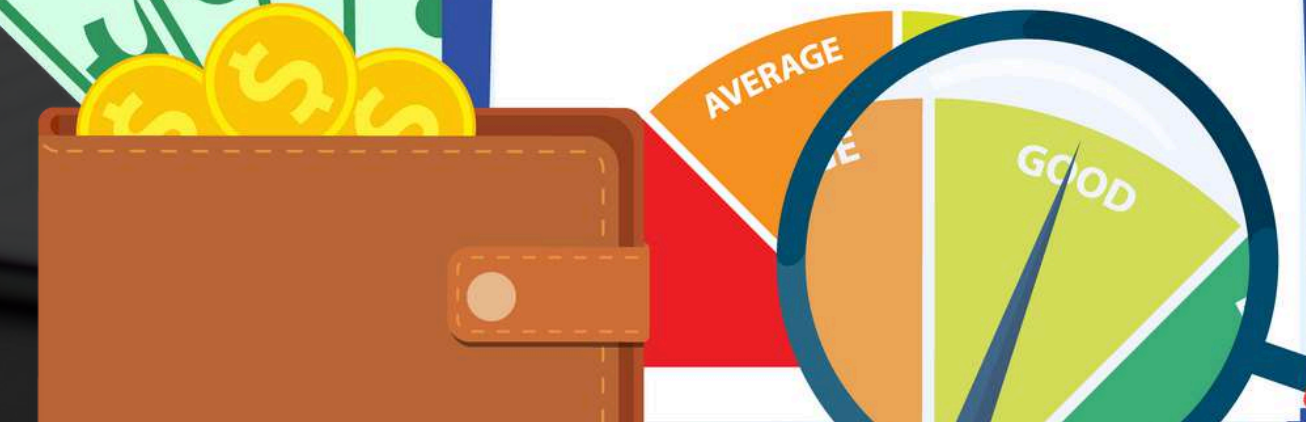


# HOME CREDIT

CREDIT RISK MODEL STABILITY



# TEAM

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# AGENDA

- Problem Statement
- Literature Review
- Dataset and Feature Preprocessing
- Existing Methodologies

# PROBLEM STATEMENT

Developing a data-driven solution to accurately assess default risks for potential clients with little to no credit history, enabling consumer finance providers like Home Credit to expand loan accessibility while maintaining stability in loan performance.

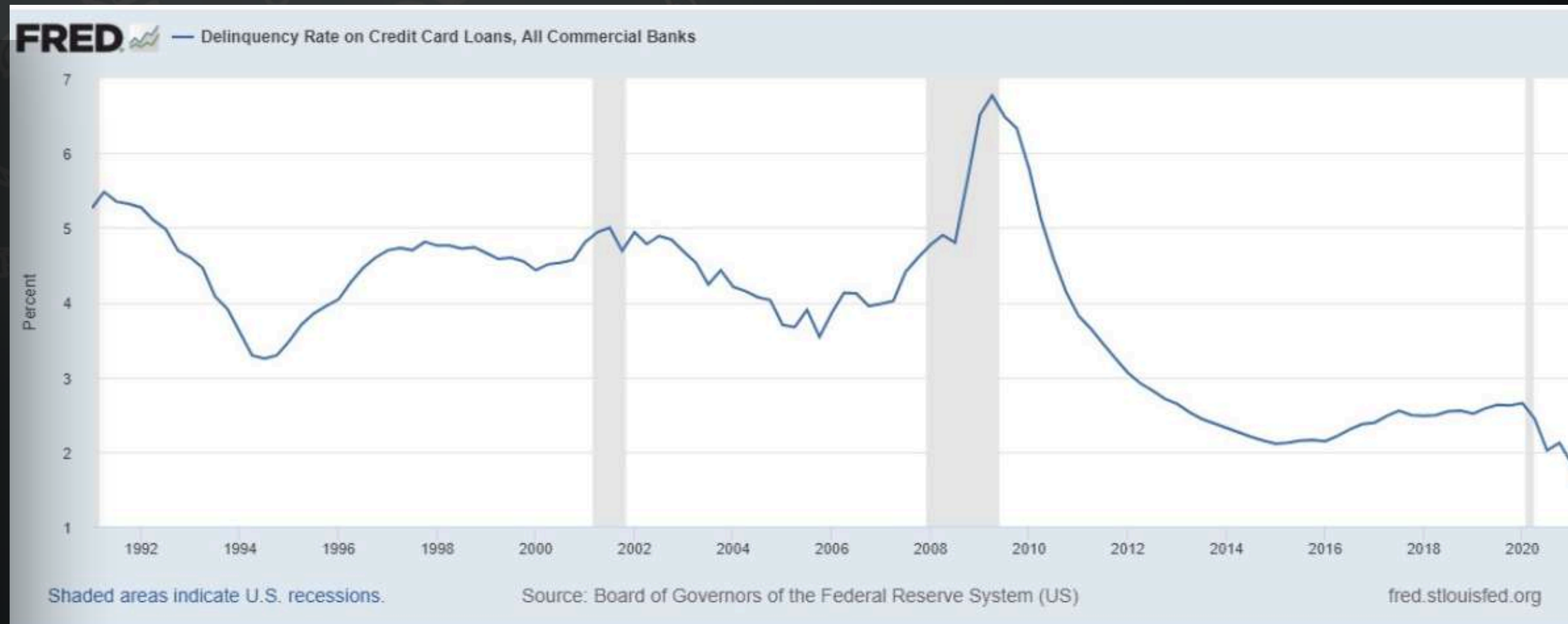


Figure 1: Delinquency Rate on Credit card loans <sup>1</sup>



# **LITERATURE REVIEW**

# RESEARCH PAPER 1

<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1742-6596/1651/1/012111/pdf>

Models	AUC Score	Accuracy
Logistic Regression	0.908	0.925
SVM	0.926	0.942
LightGBM	0.961	0.942
LightGBM (Bayesian)	0.973	0.987

**Aim of Study:** Develop an effective predictive model for credit card fraud detection.

**Dataset Used:** IEEE-CIS Fraud Detection dataset from Vesta Corporation, containing over 1 million transaction records for about 28,000 credit cards.

**Model Used and Features Extracted:** Employed a LightGBM classification model with Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS) and Exclusive Feature Bundling (EFB) optimizations. Key features engineered included aggregating transaction data by time, adding statistical features, one-hot encoding categorical variables, and recursive feature elimination.

**Key Findings:** The LightGBM model with Bayesian hyperparameter tuning achieved an AUC score of 0.973 and accuracy of 0.987, outperforming logistic regression (AUC 0.908) and SVM (AUC 0.926) models. Effective feature engineering and automated hyperparameter search contributed to the superior performance.

# RESEARCH PAPER 2

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2110.02206.pdf>

Table 3: Accuracy Scoreboard

Models	Accuracy Score
Logistic Regression	0.5578630
Support Vector Machine	0.6947107
K Nearest Neighbors	0.7676606
Decision Tree	0.8145190
Random Forest	0.8587149
XGBoost	0.9195953
LGBM	0.9552716

**Aim of Study:** Build a contemporary credit scoring model to forecast credit defaults for unsecured lending (credit cards) by employing machine learning techniques.

**Dataset Used:** Two datasets - one with customer personal details (18 features) and another with credit history (1,048,575 rows, 3 features capturing monthly payment status).

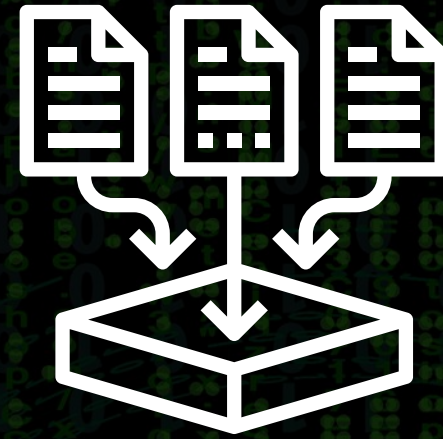
**Model Used and Features Extracted:** Evaluated 7 machine learning classification models - Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machines, K-Nearest Neighbors, Decision Tree, Random Forest, XGBoost, and LightGBM. Handled imbalanced data using SMOTE oversampling technique. Performed feature engineering like label encoding categorical variables.

**Key Findings:** The LightGBM classifier model outperformed other techniques with an accuracy of 95.53% and AUC of 0.99. Its advantages include capability to handle large datasets efficiently, lower memory usage, higher training speed, and better management of high dimensionality through approaches like gradient-based one-side sampling and exclusive feature bundling.

# DATASET



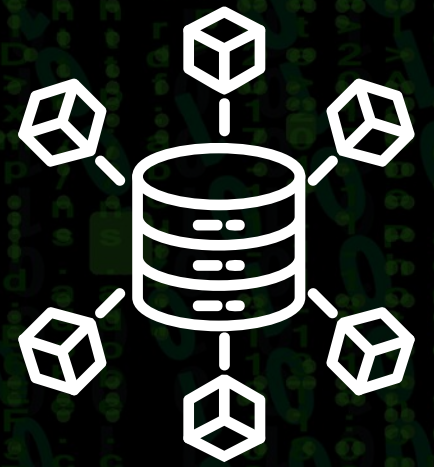
# DATA COLLECTION



- Data was downloaded from Kaggle.
- Data Sources:
  - **Internal:** Generated within the organization.
  - **External:** From sources like tax registries and credit bureaus.
- Training dataset has entries of “1526559” users
- Training and Test Dataset has 32 files encompassing data of multiple features.
- Test Dataset has “10” entries

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train_applprev_1_0.csv
train_applprev_1_1.csv
train_applprev_2.csv
train_base.csv
train_credit_bureau_a_1_0.csv
train_credit_bureau_a_1_1.csv
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train_debitcard_1.csv
train_deposit_1.csv
train_other_1.csv
train_person_1.csv
train_person_2.csv
train_static_0_0.csv
train_static_0_1.csv
train_static_cb_0.csv
train_tax_registry_a_1.csv
train_tax_registry_b_1.csv
train_tax_registry_c_1.csv
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# DATA COMPOSITION



## Depth Levels:

- **Depth 0:** Static features tied to case\_id.
- **Depth 1:** Historical records associated with case\_id.
- **Depth 2:** Historical records indexed by two groups (num\_group\_1 & 2).

## Predictors:

Features used for modeling, with transformations denoted by letters.

Aggregation will be required for historical records.

- **P** - Transform DPD (Days past due)
- **M** - Masking categories
- **A** - Transform amount
- **D** - Transform date
- **T** - Unspecified Transform
- **L** - Unspecified Transform



# ETHICAL CONCERNS



Ethical concerns in this credit risk prediction project include maintaining data privacy and confidentiality by anonymizing or securing sensitive personal information. Additionally, assessing and addressing the societal impacts, such as financial inclusion and access to credit, should be considered.

# FEATURE PREPROCESSING



- For numerical features we used Median and for categorical features we used Mode to fill null values.
- We used standardization.
- For encoding, we used target encoding.

# FEATURE SELECTION



- Removed features with over 70% missing values.
- Excluded categorical features with one unique value or over 200 unique values.
- Grouped highly correlated features (correlation  $\geq 0.8$ ).
- Selected one representative feature based on highest unique values from each correlated group.

# AGGREGATION



## 1. Numerical Features Aggregation:

- Add summary statistics including maximum, last, and mean values for numerical features.

## 2. Date Features Aggregation:

- Incorporate summary statistics such as maximum, last, and mean dates for date-type features.

## 3. String Features Aggregation:

- Integrate summary statistics like maximum and last values for string-type features.

## 4. Other Features Aggregation:

- Include summary statistics such as maximum and last values for features of other types.

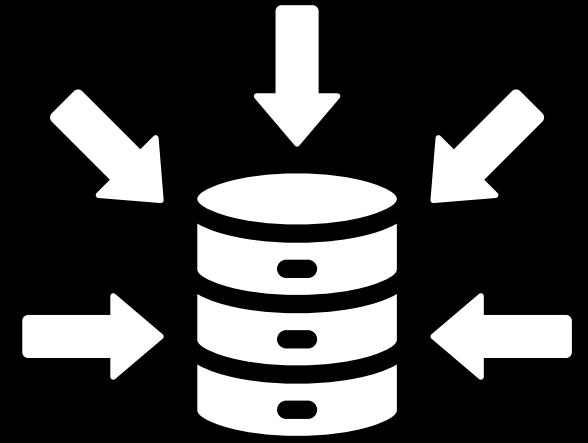
## 5. Count Features Aggregation:

- Integrate a summary statistic, specifically the maximum count, for numerical group features.

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# **OUR APPROACH**

# SOME IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS WE USED



1. Horizontal\_Stacking
2. Memory\_optimization
3. Optimizing memory by downcasting the columns
4. reduce\_group
5. typecasting
6. handling\_dates



# ML METHODOLOGY: LIGHTGBM

Open-source distributed framework by Microsoft  
Designed for high performance, scalability & accuracy  
Based on optimized decision tree algorithms

## KEY FEATURES:

### Gradient-based One-Side Sampling (GOSS):

- Retains instances with large gradients
- Optimizes memory & training time

### Histogram-based Tree Construction

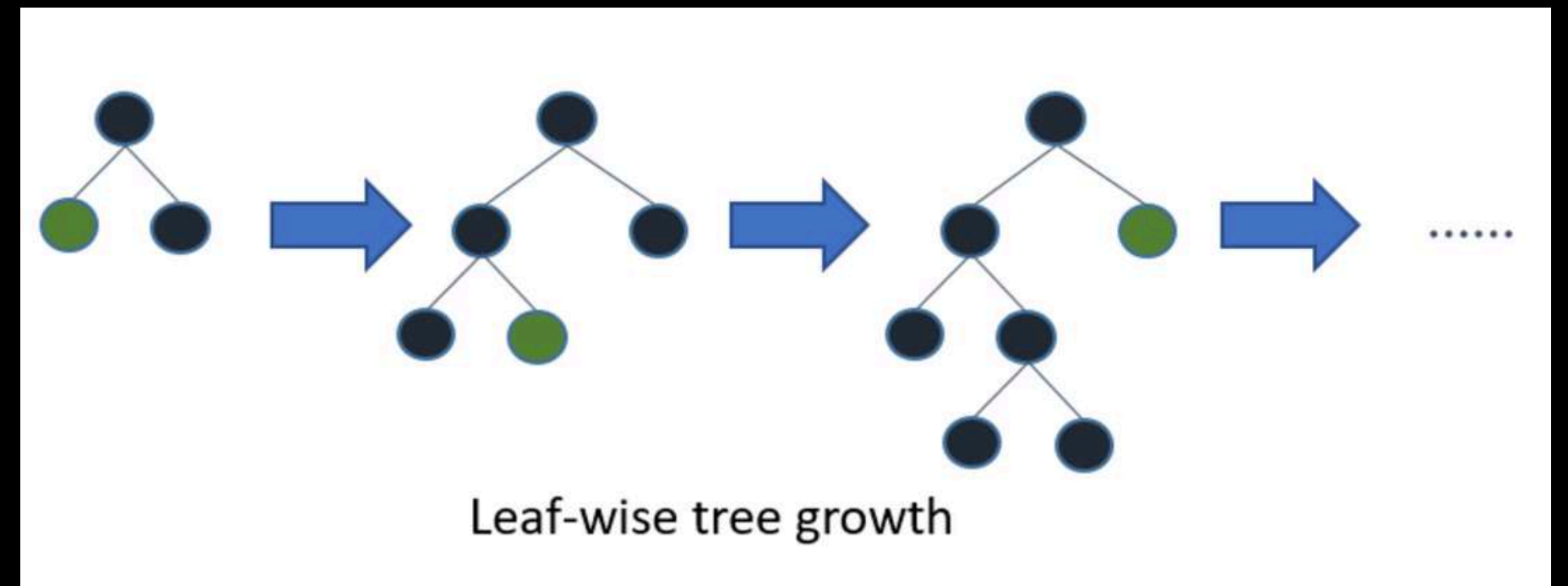
- Efficient decision tree building
- Faster than level-wise growth

### Leaf-wise Tree Growth

- Better accuracy than depth-wise growth

### Efficient Data Storage Formats

- Reduces memory footprint & accelerates training

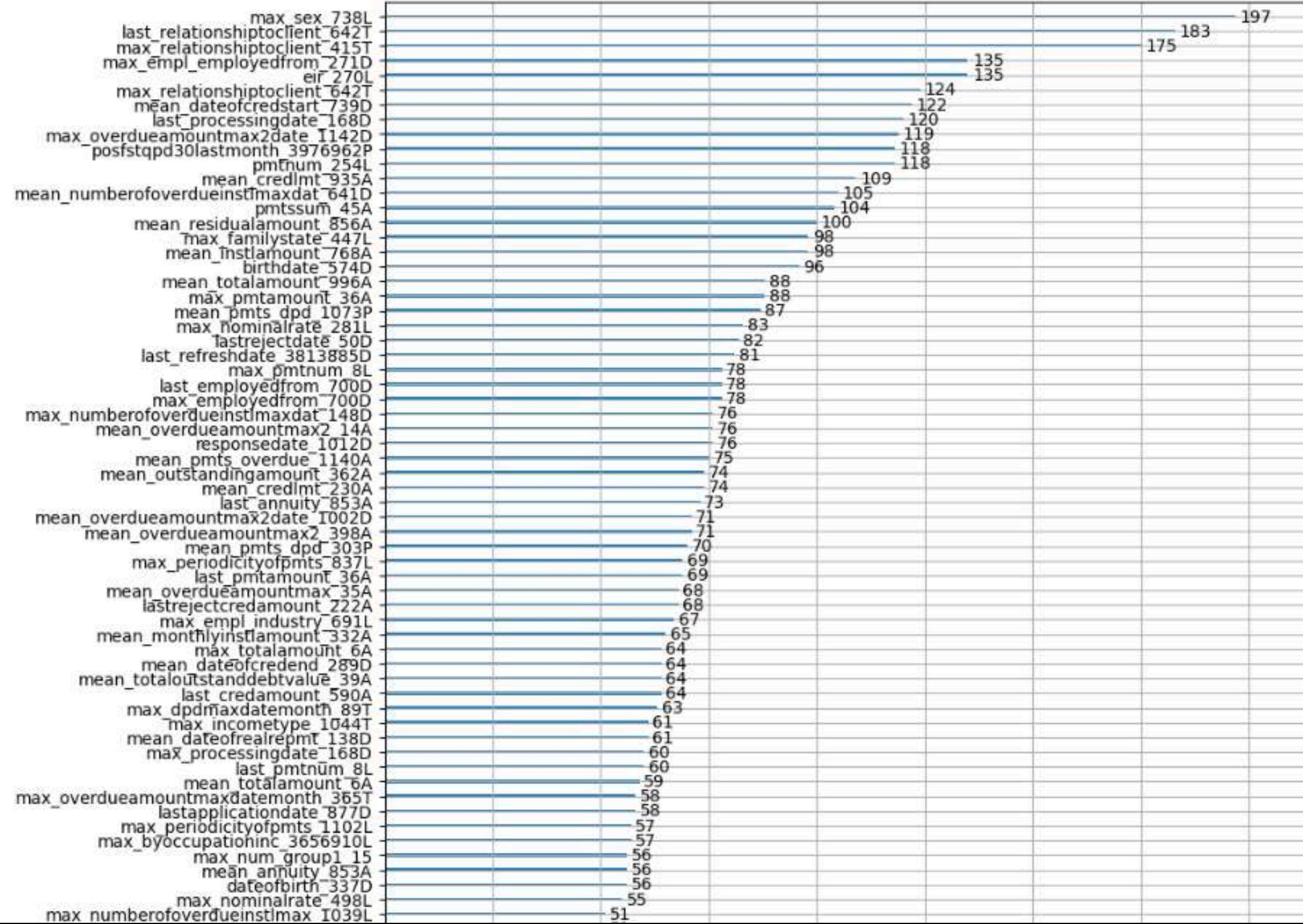


# WHY LIGHTGBM?

We have used Lightgbm because:

- **Faster Speed and Higher Accuracy:** LightGBM algorithm offers faster training times and higher accuracy compared to other gradient boosting algorithms, making it suitable for large-scale datasets and time-sensitive applications.
- **Lower Memory Usage:** LightGBM is designed to optimize memory usage efficiently, allowing it to handle large datasets with minimal memory requirements, which can lead to cost savings and improved performance.
- **Better Accuracy:** LightGBM's innovative algorithms, such as leaf-wise tree growth and histogram-based learning, contribute to better accuracy in model predictions, resulting in more reliable and precise outcomes.
- **Support for Parallel and Distributed GPU Learning:** LightGBM supports parallel training on multi-core CPUs and distributed GPU learning, enabling efficient utilization of computational resources and faster training times for large-scale datasets.
- **Capability to Handle Large-Scale Data:** LightGBM is capable of handling large-scale datasets efficiently, thanks to its optimization techniques and support for parallel processing, making it suitable for big data applications in various industries.

### Feature importance



# ML METHODOLOGY: CATBOOST

CatBoost is an open-source gradient boosting library that efficiently handles large datasets with categorical features using ordered target encoding and missing values using symmetric weighted quantile sketches, reducing overfitting and improving performance.

## KEY FEATURES:

### Automated Data Handling

- Efficient handling of categorical features without encoding
- Built-in missing value handling without imputation
- Automatic internal feature scaling

### High Performance Out-of-the-Box

- Excellent results with default parameters
- Minimal need for extensive parameter tuning
- Built-in cross-validation for hyperparameter selection

### Overfitting Prevention Techniques

- Robust boosting, ordered boosting, random permutations
- Techniques to improve generalization on unseen data

# WHY CATBOOST?

- **Automated Categorical Feature Handling** - Handles categorical data natively without encoding required.
- **Robust Missing Value Handling** - Uses symmetric weighted quantile sketches (SWQS) to automatically handle missing values.
- **Overfitting Prevention** - Employs ordered boosting, random permutations to reduce overfitting and improve generalization.
- **High Default Performance** - Provides excellent results with little parameter tuning needed.
- **Scalable GPU Training** - GPU-accelerated version enables faster training on large datasets and multi-GPU scalability.

# LIGHTGBM

LightGBM Accuracy is 0.96 and Precision is 0.54. But the recall was less than 10%.

```
Accuracy: 0.9683721326294001  
Precision: 0.5490196078431373
```

# CATBOOST

CatBoost AUC score is 0.83 and Precision is also 0.83. But the recall was less than 10%.

```
AUC score on validation set: 0.8315489184417396  
Precision on validation set: 0.83333333333333334
```

# VOTING CLASSIFIER

- Trains on an ensemble of models
- Predicts output class based on majority voting
- Aggregates findings of each model

## Why Use a Voting Classifier?

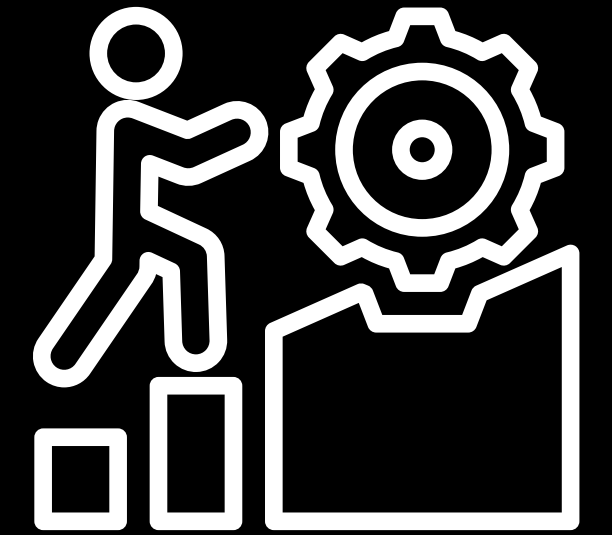
- Avoids creating separate dedicated models
- Predicts based on combined majority voting
- Can improve overall accuracy and robustness

## Final Outcomes:

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Recall: 0.5761  
Precision: 0.2145  
F1-score: 0.3126  
Accuracy: 0.9217
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**How does our voting classifier work?**

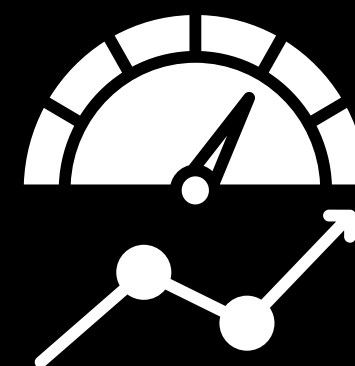
# CHALLENGES



- **Dealing with the depth 1 and depth 2 datasets was problematic as the data needed to be aggregated.**
- **Personal laptops faced computational issues due to limitations.**
- **The large dataset size led to extensive runtimes.**
- **Initially, there was a lot of uncertainty about how to approach and proceed with the problem.**



# PERFORMANCE METRIC



Submissions are evaluated using a **gini stability metric**. A gini score is calculated for predictions corresponding to each **WEEK\_NUM**.

$$\text{gini} = 2 * \text{AUC} - 1$$

A linear regression,  $a \cdot x + b$ , is fit through the weekly gini scores, and a falling\_rate is calculated as  $\min(0, a)$ .

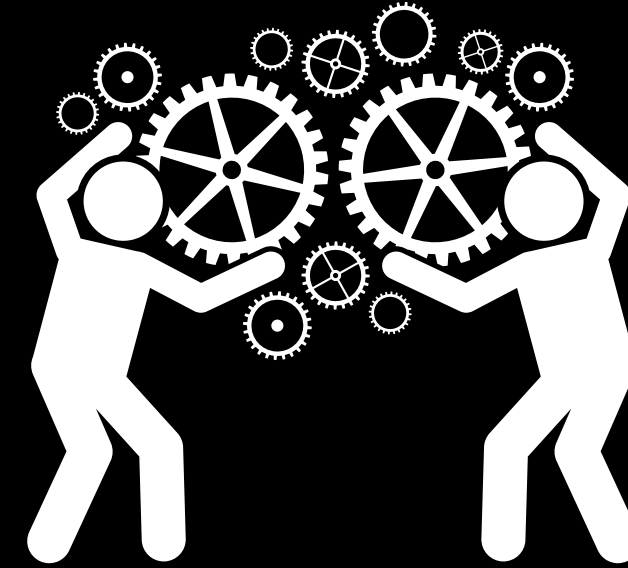
This is used to penalize models that drop off in predictive ability.

Finally, the variability of the predictions are calculated by taking the standard deviation of the residuals from the above linear regression, applying a penalty to model variability.

The final metric is calculated as

$$\text{stability metric} = \text{mean}(\text{gini}) + 88.0 \cdot \text{min}(0, a) - 0.5 \cdot \text{std}(\text{residuals})$$

# MODEL DEPLOYABILITY



**1. Admission Office:** Plaksha's admission office can utilize the credit risk model to assess whether incoming students require financial aid or not. This information can aid the admission office in making more informed decisions regarding the allocation of financial aid resources to students who genuinely require assistance.

**2. Student-run Funds:** If the university has any student-run funds or loan programs, the credit risk model can be employed to evaluate the creditworthiness of students applying for such funds. These student-run initiatives often have limited resources and need to carefully assess the ability of borrowers to repay the loans or funds provided. By integrating the credit risk model into their decision-making process, these student-run funds can assess the potential risk of default and make more informed lending decisions. This can help them mitigate financial losses and ensure the sustainability of their programs.

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