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1 Overview

This manual provides an insight into the implementation phase of the project, including the system specifications, necessary softwares needed to be installed, and environments, needed to conduct and execute the research. The research was done to observe the effectiveness of various machine learning models in predicting loan defaults within Nigerian microfinance banks.

2 Hardware/Software Requirements

This section highlights the minimum hardware and software requirements for the execution of this project.

2.1 Hardware Requirements

The hardware details have been provided below:

Spec Name	Value
Operating System	Microsoft Windows 11 Home
Processor	Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-1035G1@1.00GHz, 1.19 GHz
RAM	8.00GB (7.60GB usable)
Disk Space	256GB SSD
System Type	Microsoft Surface Laptop Go

Table 1: Hardware Requirements

2.2 Software Requirements

The code implementation was split into two sections; the preliminary processes were done on Jupyter Notebook, and the model implementation was carried out on Google Colab, a cloud-based IDE, using Python programming language. The software details have been provided below:

Spec Name	Value
Programming Language	Python 3.10
IDE	Jupyter Notebook, Google Colab
Browser	Google Chrome, version 119.0.6045.200
RAM	12.7GB
Disk	107GB

Table 2: Software Requirements

3 Data Source

The dataset used for this research was obtained from **QORE** data warehouse. Due to computational and time constraints, only a section of the data was randomly selected for preprocessing and modelling.

```
loanData = pd.read_csv("Test Data\\LoanData_Personal.csv")
C:\Users\Test\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_18776\3656368740.py:1: DtypeWarning: Columns (3) have mixed types. Specify dtype option on import or set low_memory=False.
loanData = pd.read_csv("Test Data\\LoanData_Personal.csv")
```

Figure 1: Reading data on Jupyter Notebook

```
# Built in colab with local data upload
from google.colab import files
uploaded = files.upload()

for fn in uploaded.keys():
    print('User uploaded file "{name}" with length {length} bytes'.format(
        name=fn, length=len(uploaded[fn])))

No file chosen
Saving loanData_Final.csv to loanData_Final.csv
User uploaded file "loanData_Final.csv" with length 2499817 bytes
```

Figure 2: Reading data on Google Colab

4 Python Libraries

In order to conduct this research, it was necessary to install and import several Python libraries into Colab. Some of the essential packages include SKlearn, Numpy, and Pandas. Figure 3 displays a comprehensive analysis of the libraries utilised.

```
# Import libraries, features and settings
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import io
%matplotlib inline
import seaborn as sns; sns.set()
from sklearn import preprocessing
plt.rc("font", size = 14)
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
sns.set(style="white")
sns.set(style="whitegrid", color_codes = True)
```

Figure 3: Imported Libraries on Google Colab

5 Data Preprocessing

The dataset was imported into a pandas dataframe on Jupyter Notebook, after which the records were checked for null and missing values as seen in Figure 4. Columns indicating applicants personal details like *'FirstName'*, *'Surname'*, and *'PhoneNumber'* were removed to protect them. Records with null values for *'CustomerAge'* were removed since it's an important attribute and only a small percentage fell under this category.

Now check for missing or null values

```
: # Check for NaN values
nan_values = loanData.isnull().any()

print("\nColumns with NaN values:")
print(nan_values)
```

```
Columns with NaN values:
CustomerID          False
CustomerAge         True
Gender              True
DOB                 True
Address             True
City                True
MarriageStatus      True
EmploymentStatus    True
BankBalance         False
LoanID              False
LoanAmount          False
LoanTerm (Days)     False
LoanRequestTime     True
LoanStatus          True
dtype: bool
```

Figure 4: Checking for missing values

Transformation of the data also took place in this section as seen in Figure 5. using the *LabelEncoder* method from *sklearn* library, a fit_transform was performed on 'Loan-Status', 'EmploymentStatus', 'MarriageStatus', and 'Gender' attributes. This converted the enum characters to integer.

```

: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder

# Instantiate the LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()

# Apply Label encoding to the categorical attributes
loanData_Cleaned['Loan_Status'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(loanData_Cleaned['Loan_Status'])
loanData_Cleaned['Employment_Status'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(loanData_Cleaned['Employment_Status'])
loanData_Cleaned['Marriage_Status'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(loanData_Cleaned['Marriage_Status'])
loanData_Cleaned['Sex'] = label_encoder.fit_transform(loanData_Cleaned['Gender'])

# Display the DataFrame after Label encoding
print(loanData_Cleaned.head())

```

	CustomerID	CustomerAge	Gender	DOB	\
0	5386	67.0	Female	02/02/1956	
1	1608	44.0	Female	12/08/1979	
2	901	43.0	Male	21/04/1980	
3	1875	46.0	Female	06/09/1977	
5	7198	60.0	Female	31/03/1963	

	Address	City	MarriageStatus	\
0	NO26 FREEDOM ROAD UBIAJA	UBIAJA	Married	
1	NO. 22 JUNIOR STAFF QTRS G.R.A UBIAJA	UGBOHA	Married	
2	NO. SACRED HEART LANE EGUARE QTRS UBIAJA	NaN	Single	
3	NO.34 MARKET ROAD UBIAJA.	UBIAJA	Single	
5	EGUSI QTRS UBIAJA	IBADAN	Married	

	EmploymentStatus	BankBalance	LoanID	LoanAmount	LoanTerm (Days)	\
0	Employed	210460.105	LP001008	15000000	180	
1	Employed	124186.524	LP001024	15000000	180	
2	Employed	3178304.000	LP001027	10000000	240	
3	Employed	299566.521	LP001028	10000000	300	
5	Employed	21414.715	LP001034	60000000	360	

Figure 5: Encoding the attributes

6 Data Visualization

This section contains the various steps performed during exploratory data analysis (EDA). it shows the relationship of other variables with the target variable (LoanStatus).

1. Figure 6 shows a pie chart of the split between defaulted and repaid loans.

```

# Count the occurrences of each category in the 'LoanStatus' column
loan_status_counts = finalLoanData['LoanStatus'].value_counts()
custom_labels = ['Defaulted', 'Repaid']

# Plot a pie chart
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.pie(loan_status_counts, labels=custom_labels, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=90, colors=['tomato', 'gold'])
plt.title('Distribution of Loan Repayment Status')
plt.show()

```

Figure 6: Distribution of Target variable class

2. The relationship between the applicants gender and outcome of the loan was explored and illustrated in Figure 7.
3. Figure 8 depicts how the applicants' employment status affects the loan status.

```
sns.countplot(x= finalLoanData['Gender'], hue= finalLoanData['LoanStatus'])
plt.title('Gender & Loan Status');
```

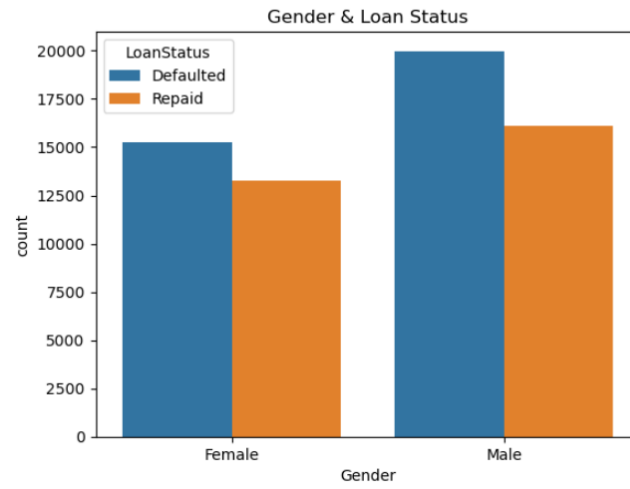


Figure 7: Relationship between Gender and LoanStatus

```
sns.countplot(x= finalLoanData['EmploymentStatus'], hue= finalLoanData['LoanStatus'])
plt.title('Employment Status & Loan Status');
```

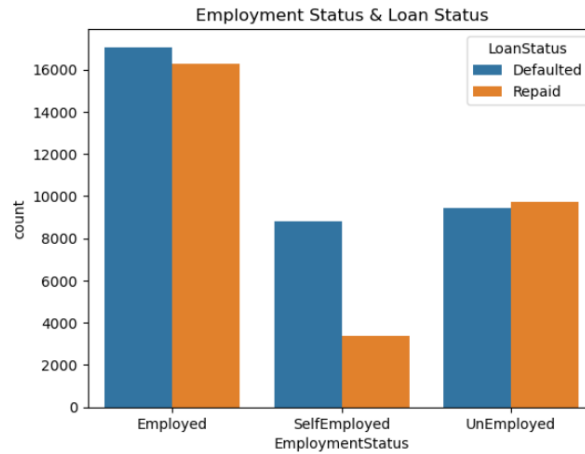


Figure 8: Relationship between EmploymentStatus and LoanStatus

7 Final Data Save

After data preprocessing, transformation, and exploration, the final data was saved to a csv file using the Python command as seen in Figure 9. A method from the Pandas library was used to facilitate this.

```

: # Write final dataset into csv file to be used for Colab analysis
finalLoanData.to_csv('Test Data\\LoanData_Final.csv', index=False)
:

```

Figure 9: Saving final data to csv

8 Split Data into Train and Test

The final data was imported into Google Colab¹ to perform model analysis and evaluation. Before the machine learning models were fitted, the dataset was split into training and test data on a 80/20 basis.

```

: # Split data into train test sets

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
trainingSet, testSet = train_test_split(df, test_size=0.2)

```

Figure 10: Splitting dataset into train and test

9 Model Implementation and Evaluation

Both the Keras and Sklearn Python libraries were utilised in the process of implementing the models, and the sklearn.metrics library was utilised in order to compute the findings. The details of the implementation of each of the models are discussed in the following sections.

9.1 Logistic Regression

Figure 11 shows the code snippet of the Logistic Regression classifier model.

```

#import python library
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

logreg = LogisticRegression()

#fit the model
logreg.fit(X_train,y_train)

#predict using the trained model
y_pred = logreg.predict(X_test)

```

Figure 11: Logistic Regression Model

¹<https://colab.google/>

9.2 Random Forest

The random forest model was built using default parameters as seen in Figure 12 and tuned using the code illustrated in Figure 13.

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
ranfor = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators = 100)

ranfor.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = ranfor.predict(X_test)

cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
```

Figure 12: Random Forest Model

Adjusting the n_estimators value to see if there'll be a difference

```
ranfor1 = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators = 200)

ranfor1.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = ranfor1.predict(X_test)
```

Figure 13: Tuned Random Forest Model

9.3 Decision Trees

The decision tree model was built with various hyperparameters, as shown in Figure 14

```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
dTree1 = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion = "entropy", random_state = 100, max_depth=3, min_samples_leaf=5)
dTree1.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = ranfor.predict(X_test)

cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
array([[5576, 1355],
       [1246, 4754]])

dTree2 = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion = "entropy", random_state = 300, max_depth=10, min_samples_leaf=5)
dTree2.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = ranfor.predict(X_test)

cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
array([[5576, 1355],
       [1246, 4754]])

dTree3 = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion = "entropy", random_state = 300, max_depth=10, min_samples_leaf=10)
dTree3.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = ranfor.predict(X_test)

cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
array([[5576, 1355],
       [1246, 4754]])

No difference in the output of the model even after modifying it's attributes
```

Figure 14: Decision Tree Model

9.4 K Nearest Neighbor

The KNN model was built with default parameters, as shown in Figure 15

```
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
knn = KNeighborsClassifier()

knn.fit(X_train,y_train)
y_pred = knn.predict(X_test)

cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
```

Figure 15: KNN Model

9.5 Naive Bayes

Default parameters were used to build the Naive Bayes model as shown in Figure 16

```
# train a Gaussian Naive Bayes classifier on the training set
from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB

# instantiate the model
gnb = GaussianNB()

# fit the model
gnb.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = gnb.predict(X_test)

#Evaluate model prediction
cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
```

Figure 16: Gaussian Naive Bayes Model

9.6 XGBoost

The model was built using default hyperparameters in Figure 17 while Figure 18 shows how the hyperparameters were tuned in search for a better result.

```
import xgboost as xgb

xgb_model = xgb.XGBClassifier(objective="binary:logistic", random_state=42)

# fit the model
xgb_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = xgb_model.predict(X_test)

#Evaluate model prediction
cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix
```

Figure 17: XGBoost Model

```

xgb_model1 = xgb.XGBClassifier(
    learning_rate =0.1,
    n_estimators=200,
    max_depth=4,
    min_child_weight=6,
    gamma=0.3,
    subsample=0.8,
    colsample_bytree=0.8,
    reg_alpha=0.005,
    objective= 'binary:logistic',
    nthread=4,
    scale_pos_weight=1,
    seed=27)

# fit the model
xgb_model1.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = xgb_model1.predict(X_test)

#Evaluate model prediction
cnf_matrix = metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
cnf_matrix

```

Figure 18: Tuned XGBoost Model

9.7 Deep Neural Networks

The keras package was used to build this model, Figure 19 and Figure 20 show the code used to build the models.

```

from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense

# define the keras model
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(12, input_shape=(8,), activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(8, activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
# compile the keras model
model.compile(loss='binary_crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'])
# fit the keras model on the dataset
model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=10, batch_size=10)
# evaluate the keras model
_, accuracy = model.evaluate(X_test, y_test)
print('Accuracy: %.2f' % (accuracy*100))

```

Figure 19: DNN Model

```

# define the keras model
modell = Sequential()
modell.add(Dense(24, input_shape=(8,), activation='relu'))
modell.add(Dense(18, activation='relu'))
modell.add(Dense(12, activation='relu'))
modell.add(Dense(8, activation='relu'))
modell.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
# compile the keras model
modell.compile(loss='binary_crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'])
# fit the keras model on the dataset
modell.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=20, batch_size=10)
# evaluate the keras model
_, accuracy = modell.evaluate(X_test, y_test)
print('Accuracy: %.2f' % (accuracy*100))

```

Figure 20: Tuned DNN Model

9.8 Model Evaluation

Each model underwent evaluation using an agreed set of metrics, which included Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and AUC score. Figure 21 shows the confusion matrix and evaluation results for XGBoost, the best performing model.

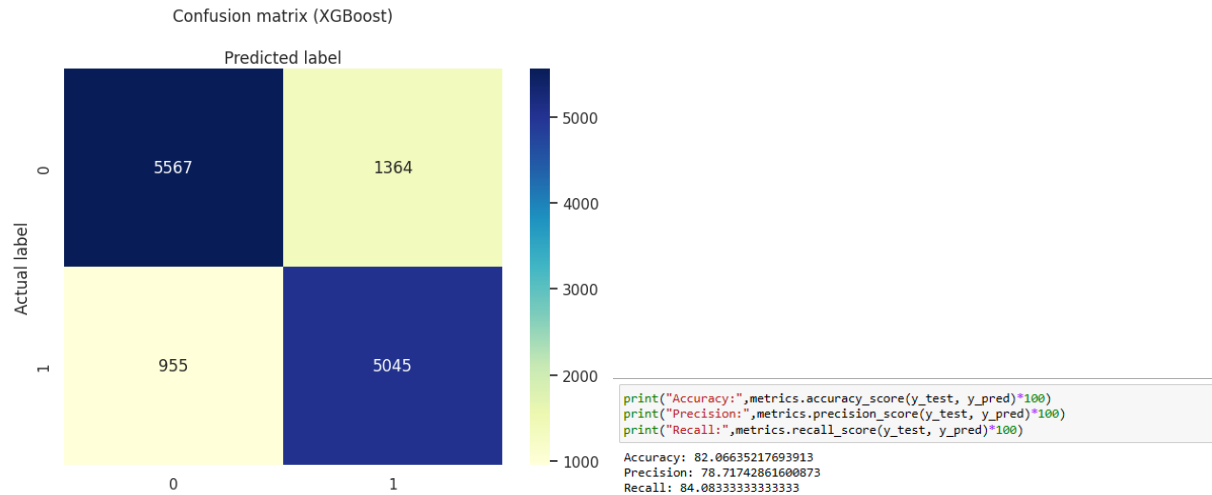


Figure 21: XGBoost Model Evaluation