

Kaggle Playground - Loan Payback Prediction (- Optuna)

1. Importing Libraries

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In [ ]: # Core Data Science Libraries
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import warnings
import gc

# Visualization Libraries
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

# Scikit-Learn for Preprocessing and Modeling
from sklearn.model_selection import StratifiedKFold, train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, OrdinalEncoder
from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score
from scipy.stats import rankdata

# Machine Learning Models
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from lightgbm import LGBMClassifier
import lightgbm as lgb
from catboost import CatBoostClassifier, Pool

# Hyperparameter Tuning
import optuna

# Notebook settings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
optuna.logging.set_verbosity(optuna.logging.WARNING)
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2. Loading Dataset

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In [ ]: # Define file paths
TRAIN_PATH = "/kaggle/input/playground-series-s5e11/train.csv"
TEST_PATH = "/kaggle/input/playground-series-s5e11/test.csv"
SUBMISSION_PATH = "/kaggle/input/playground-series-s5e11/sample_submission.csv"

# Load the datasets
train = pd.read_csv(TRAIN_PATH)
test = pd.read_csv(TEST_PATH)
sample_submission = pd.read_csv(SUBMISSION_PATH)
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In [ ]: print("Train shape:", train.shape)
print("Test shape:", test.shape)
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3. Feature Engineering

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In [ ]: def complete_feature_engineering(df):
    """
    Comprehensive feature engineering pipeline for loan prediction
    """
    df = df.copy()
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1. FINANCIAL RATIOS

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df['loan_to_income_ratio'] = df['loan_amount'] / (df['annual_income'] + 1)
df['monthly_income'] = df['annual_income'] / 12
# Simplified approximation from source
df['monthly_payment_estimate'] = (df['loan_amount'] * df['interest_rate']) /
df['payment_to_income_ratio'] = df['monthly_payment_estimate'] / (df['monthl
df['current_debt_amount'] = df['debt_to_income_ratio'] * df['annual_income']
df['total_debt_with_loan'] = df['current_debt_amount'] + df['loan_amount']
df['new_debt_to_income'] = df['total_debt_with_loan'] / (df['annual_income']
df['debt_increase_ratio'] = df['new_debt_to_income'] / (df['debt_to_income_r
df['disposable_income'] = df['annual_income'] - df['current_debt_amount']
df['disposable_income_ratio'] = df['disposable_income'] / (df['annual_income
df['loan_to_disposable_income'] = df['loan_amount'] / (df['disposable_income
df['monthly_disposable_income'] = df['disposable_income'] / 12
df['payment_to_disposable_ratio'] = df['monthly_payment_estimate'] / (df['mc
df['annual_payment_burden'] = df['monthly_payment_estimate'] * 12
df['payment_burden_ratio'] = df['annual_payment_burden'] / (df['annual_incom
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2. CREDIT SCORE FEATURES

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df['credit_score_normalized'] = df['credit_score'] / 850
df['credit_risk_score'] = 1 - df['credit_score_normalized']
df['credit_score_squared'] = df['credit_score'] ** 2
df['credit_score_log'] = np.log1p(df['credit_score'])
df['credit_category'] = pd.cut(df['credit_score'], bins=[0, 580, 670, 740, 8
                                labels=['poor', 'fair', 'good', 'very_good', 'e
df['credit_income_interaction'] = df['credit_score'] * df['annual_income']
df['credit_times_dti'] = df['credit_score'] * df['debt_to_income_ratio']
df['credit_loan_interaction'] = df['credit_score'] * df['loan_amount']
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3. INTEREST RATE FEATURES

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df['high_interest_flag'] = (df['interest_rate'] > df['interest_rate'].median
df['very_high_interest'] = (df['interest_rate'] > df['interest_rate'].quantil
df['low_interest_flag'] = (df['interest_rate'] < df['interest_rate'].quantil
df['total_interest_cost'] = df['loan_amount'] * df['interest_rate'] / 100
df['interest_burden'] = df['total_interest_cost'] / (df['annual_income'] + 1
df['interest_credit_mismatch'] = df['interest_rate'] * (1 - df['credit_score
df['interest_credit_ratio'] = df['interest_rate'] / (df['credit_score'] / 10
df['interest_rate_squared'] = df['interest_rate'] ** 2
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4. RISK SCORES

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df['risk_score_v1'] = (df['debt_to_income_ratio'] * 0.25 + df['loan_to_incom
                    df['credit_risk_score'] * 0.30 + (df['interest_rate'
df['risk_score_v2'] = (df['payment_to_income_ratio'] * 0.40 + df['new_debt_t
                    df['interest_burden'] * 0.25)
df['affordability_score'] = (df['credit_score_normalized'] * 0.40 +
                            (1 - df['debt_to_income_ratio']) * 0.30 +
                            df['disposable_income_ratio'] * 0.30)
df['financial_health_score'] = df['affordability_score'] * 0.60 - df['risk_s
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5. LOAN AMOUNT FEATURES

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df['loan_size'] = pd.cut(df['loan_amount'], bins=[0, 10000, 20000, 30000, np
                        labels=['small', 'medium', 'large', 'very_large'])
df['loan_amount_squared'] = df['loan_amount'] ** 2
df['loan_amount_log'] = np.log1p(df['loan_amount'])
df['annual_income_log'] = np.log1p(df['annual_income'])
df['loan_amount_sqrt'] = np.sqrt(df['loan_amount'])
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6. BINNING FEATURES

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df['income_decile'] = pd.qcut(df['annual_income'], q=10, labels=False, dupli
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df['credit_decile'] = pd.qcut(df['credit_score'], q=10, labels=False, duplicate
df['loan_decile'] = pd.qcut(df['loan_amount'], q=10, labels=False, duplicate
df['dti_decile'] = pd.qcut(df['debt_to_income_ratio'], q=10, labels=False, d
df['interest_decile'] = pd.qcut(df['interest_rate'], q=10, labels=False, dup

# 7. INTERACTION FEATURES
df['income_x_credit'] = df['annual_income'] * df['credit_score']
df['dti_x_interest'] = df['debt_to_income_ratio'] * df['interest_rate']
df['loan_x_interest'] = df['loan_amount'] * df['interest_rate']
df['income_x_dti'] = df['annual_income'] * df['debt_to_income_ratio']
df['income_credit_loan'] = (df['annual_income'] * df['credit_score']) / (df[
df['dti_interest_credit'] = (df['debt_to_income_ratio'] * df['interest_rate']

# 8. GRADE FEATURES
df['grade'] = df['grade_subgrade'].str[0]
df['subgrade_num'] = pd.to_numeric(df['grade_subgrade'].str[1:], errors='coe
grade_map = {'A': 1, 'B': 2, 'C': 3, 'D': 4, 'E': 5, 'F': 6, 'G': 7}
df['grade_numeric'] = df['grade'].map(grade_map)
df['full_grade_score'] = df['grade_numeric'] * 10 + df['subgrade_num']
df['grade_credit_ratio'] = df['full_grade_score'] / (df['credit_score'] / 10

# 9. STATISTICAL AGGREGATIONS
financial_metrics = ['debt_to_income_ratio', 'loan_to_income_ratio', 'paymen
df['mean_financial_metrics'] = df[financial_metrics].mean(axis=1)
df['max_financial_burden'] = df[financial_metrics].max(axis=1)
df['min_financial_burden'] = df[financial_metrics].min(axis=1)
df['std_financial_metrics'] = df[financial_metrics].std(axis=1)

# 10. CATEGORICAL COMBINATIONS
df['gender_marital'] = df['gender'] + '_' + df['marital_status']
df['education_employment'] = df['education_level'] + '_' + df['employment_st
df['gender_education'] = df['gender'] + '_' + df['education_level']
df['marital_employment'] = df['marital_status'] + '_' + df['employment_statu
df['purpose_grade'] = df['loan_purpose'] + '_' + df['grade']
df['employment_purpose'] = df['employment_status'] + '_' + df['loan_purpose'

# 11. ANOMALY FLAGS
df['extreme_dti'] = (df['debt_to_income_ratio'] > df['debt_to_income_ratio']
df['low_income'] = (df['annual_income'] < df['annual_income'].quantile(0.25)
df['large_loan'] = (df['loan_amount'] > df['loan_amount'].quantile(0.75)).as
df['risky_combo_1'] = ((df['debt_to_income_ratio'] > 0.4) & (df['credit_scor
df['risky_combo_2'] = ((df['loan_to_income_ratio'] > 0.5) & (df['interest_ra
df['safe_combo'] = ((df['credit_score'] > 750) & (df['debt_to_income_ratio']
df['high_risk_all'] = (df['extreme_dti'] & df['risky_combo_1']).astype(int)

return df

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In [ ]: print("Starting Feature Engineering...")
train_fe = complete_feature_engineering(train)
test_fe = complete_feature_engineering(test)
print("Feature Engineering Complete.")
gc.collect()

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4. Preprocessing

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In [ ]: TARGET = 'loan_paid_back'
y = train[TARGET]

# Handle NaNs created during FE (e.g., subgrade_num)
train_fe['subgrade_num'] = train_fe['subgrade_num'].fillna(0)

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test_fe['subgrade_num'] = test_fe['subgrade_num'].fillna(0)

# Identify categorical and numerical features
cat_features = train_fe.select_dtypes(include=['object', 'category']).columns.tolist()
num_features = train_fe.select_dtypes(include=np.number).columns.tolist()

# Remove target and ID from feature lists
num_features = [col for col in num_features if col not in [TARGET, 'id']]
original_cat_features = train_fe.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns.tolist()
cat_features = list(set(cat_features + original_cat_features) - {'grade_subgrade'})

print(f"Categorical Features: {cat_features}")
print(f"Numerical Features: {len(num_features)}")

# Ordinal Encoding for all categorical features
encoder = OrdinalEncoder(handle_unknown='use_encoded_value', unknown_value=-1)
train_fe[cat_features] = encoder.fit_transform(train_fe[cat_features])
test_fe[cat_features] = encoder.transform(test_fe[cat_features])

# Standard Scaling for numerical features
scaler = StandardScaler()
train_fe[num_features] = scaler.fit_transform(train_fe[num_features])
test_fe[num_features] = scaler.transform(test_fe[num_features])

# Combine features for modeling
features = num_features + cat_features
X = train_fe[features]
X_test = test_fe[features]

print(f"Final feature count: {len(features)}")
gc.collect()

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5. Hyperparameter Tuning (Optuna)

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In [ ]: # Create a single validation split for quick Optuna tuning
# We will use a full CV later with the best params
X_train_tune, X_val_tune, y_train_tune, y_val_tune = train_test_split(
    X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y
)

RANDOM_STATE = 42
N_OPTUNA_TRIALS = 20 # Increase this for better results (e.g., 50-100)

# Get feature indices for CatBoost
cat_features_indices = [X.columns.get_loc(c) for c in cat_features if c in X]

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In [ ]: def objective_lgbm(trial):
    param = {
        'device': 'gpu', 'gpu_platform_id': 0, 'gpu_device_id': 0,
        'objective': 'binary', 'metric': 'auc',
        'boosting_type': 'gbdt',
        'n_estimators': trial.suggest_int('n_estimators', 500, 2000, step=100),
        'learning_rate': trial.suggest_float('learning_rate', 0.01, 0.1, log=True),
        'num_leaves': trial.suggest_int('num_leaves', 20, 100),
        'max_depth': trial.suggest_int('max_depth', 5, 12),
        'lambda_l1': trial.suggest_float('lambda_l1', 1e-3, 10.0, log=True),
        'lambda_l2': trial.suggest_float('lambda_l2', 1e-3, 10.0, log=True),
        'feature_fraction': trial.suggest_float('feature_fraction', 0.5, 1.0),
        'bagging_fraction': trial.suggest_float('bagging_fraction', 0.5, 1.0),
        'bagging_freq': trial.suggest_int('bagging_freq', 1, 7),
    }

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        'min_child_samples': trial.suggest_int('min_child_samples', 20, 100),
        'random_state': RANDOM_STATE, 'verbosity': -1, 'n_jobs': -1
    }

    model = LGBMClassifier(**param)
    model.fit(X_train_tune, y_train_tune,
              eval_set=[(X_val_tune, y_val_tune)],
              eval_metric='auc',
              callbacks=[lgb.early_stopping(100, verbose=False)])

    y_pred_proba = model.predict_proba(X_val_tune)[: , 1]
    auc = roc_auc_score(y_val_tune, y_pred_proba)
    return auc

print("Tuning LGBMClassifier...")
study_lgbm = optuna.create_study(direction='maximize')
study_lgbm.optimize(objective_lgbm, n_trials=N_OPTUNA_TRIALS)
best_params_lgb = study_lgbm.best_params
print(f"Best LGBM AUC: {study_lgbm.best_value}")

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In [ ]: def objective_xgb(trial):
    param = {
        'tree_method': 'gpu_hist', 'predictor': 'gpu_predictor', 'gpu_id': 0,
        'objective': 'binary:logistic', 'eval_metric': 'auc',
        'lambda': trial.suggest_loguniform('lambda', 1e-3, 10.0),
        'alpha': trial.suggest_loguniform('alpha', 1e-3, 10.0),
        'colsample_bytree': trial.suggest_categorical('colsample_bytree', [0.5,
        'subsample': trial.suggest_categorical('subsample', [0.5, 0.7, 0.9, 1.0])
        'learning_rate': trial.suggest_float('learning_rate', 0.01, 0.1, log=True)
        'n_estimators': trial.suggest_int('n_estimators', 500, 2000, step=100),
        'max_depth': trial.suggest_int('max_depth', 4, 10),
        'min_child_weight': trial.suggest_int('min_child_weight', 1, 100),
        'random_state': RANDOM_STATE, 'n_jobs': -1
    }

    model = XGBClassifier(**param)
    model.fit(X_train_tune, y_train_tune,
              eval_set=[(X_val_tune, y_val_tune)],
              early_stopping_rounds=100,
              verbose=False)

    y_pred_proba = model.predict_proba(X_val_tune)[: , 1]
    auc = roc_auc_score(y_val_tune, y_pred_proba)
    return auc

print("Tuning XGBClassifier...")
study_xgb = optuna.create_study(direction='maximize')
study_xgb.optimize(objective_xgb, n_trials=N_OPTUNA_TRIALS)
best_params_xgb = study_xgb.best_params
print(f"Best XGB AUC: {study_xgb.best_value}")

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In [ ]: def objective_cat(trial):
    param = {
        'task_type': 'GPU', 'devices': '0',
        'loss_function': 'Logloss', 'eval_metric': 'AUC',
        'iterations': trial.suggest_int('iterations', 500, 2000),
        'learning_rate': trial.suggest_float('learning_rate', 0.01, 0.1, log=True)
        'depth': trial.suggest_int('depth', 4, 10),
        'l2_leaf_reg': trial.suggest_float('l2_leaf_reg', 1.0, 10.0, log=True),

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        'random_strength': trial.suggest_float('random_strength', 1e-3, 10.0, 1e-1),
        'bagging_temperature': trial.suggest_float('bagging_temperature', 0.0, 10.0, 1e-1),
        'border_count': trial.suggest_int('border_count', 128, 254),
        'random_seed': RANDOM_STATE, 'logging_level': 'Silent',
        'early_stopping_rounds': 100
    }

    train_pool = Pool(X_train_tune, y_train_tune, cat_features=cat_features_indices)
    val_pool = Pool(X_val_tune, y_val_tune, cat_features=cat_features_indices)

    model = CatBoostClassifier(**param)
    model.fit(train_pool, eval_set=val_pool, verbose=0)

    y_pred_proba = model.predict_proba(val_pool)[:, 1]
    auc = roc_auc_score(y_val_tune, y_pred_proba)
    return auc

print("Tuning CatBoostClassifier...")
study_cat = optuna.create_study(direction='maximize')
study_cat.optimize(objective_cat, n_trials=N_OPTUNA_TRIALS)
best_params_cat = study_cat.best_params
print(f"Best CAT AUC: {study_cat.best_value}")

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6. Model Training (Cross-Validation with Tuned Params)

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In [ ]: N_SPLITS = 10

skf = StratifiedKFold(n_splits=N_SPLITS, shuffle=True, random_state=RANDOM_STATE)

# OOF and Test Predictions Arrays
lgb_oof = np.zeros(len(X))
xgb_oof = np.zeros(len(X))
cat_oof = np.zeros(len(X))

lgb_test = np.zeros(len(X_test))
xgb_test = np.zeros(len(X_test))
cat_test = np.zeros(len(X_test))

# Score Lists
lgb_scores = []
xgb_scores = []
cat_scores = []

# --- Add final GPU/Fixed params to the tuned params ---
best_params_lgb.update({'device': 'gpu', 'gpu_platform_id': 0, 'gpu_device_id': 0})
best_params_xgb.update({'tree_method': 'gpu_hist', 'predictor': 'gpu_predictor', 'gpu_id': 0})
best_params_cat.update({'task_type': 'GPU', 'devices': '0', 'loss_function': 'LogitLoss'})

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In [ ]: for fold, (train_idx, val_idx) in enumerate(skf.split(X, y)):
    print(f"--- Fold {fold+1}/{N_SPLITS} ---")

    X_train, y_train = X.iloc[train_idx], y.iloc[train_idx]
    X_val, y_val = X.iloc[val_idx], y.iloc[val_idx]

    # --- 1. LightGBM ---
    print("Training LGBM...")
    lgb = LGBMClassifier(**best_params_lgb)
    lgb.fit(X_train, y_train,
            eval_set=(X_val, y_val),
            eval_metric='auc',

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callbacks=[lgb.early_stopping(100, verbose=False)])

lgb_oof[val_idx] = lgb.predict_proba(X_val)[:, 1]
lgb_test += lgb.predict_proba(X_test)[:, 1] / N_SPLITS
lgb_scores.append(roc_auc_score(y_val, lgb_oof[val_idx]))

# --- 2. XGBoost ---
print("Training XGBoost...")
xgb = XGBClassifier(**best_params_xgb)
xgb.fit(X_train, y_train,
        eval_set=(X_val, y_val),
        early_stopping_rounds=100,
        verbose=False)

xgb_oof[val_idx] = xgb.predict_proba(X_val)[:, 1]
xgb_test += xgb.predict_proba(X_test)[:, 1] / N_SPLITS
xgb_scores.append(roc_auc_score(y_val, xgb_oof[val_idx]))

# --- 3. CatBoost ---
print("Training CatBoost...")
train_pool = Pool(X_train, y_train, cat_features=cat_features_indices)
val_pool = Pool(X_val, y_val, cat_features=cat_features_indices)

cat = CatBoostClassifier(**best_params_cat)
cat.fit(train_pool, eval_set=val_pool, verbose=0)

cat_oof[val_idx] = cat.predict_proba(val_pool)[:, 1]
cat_test += cat.predict_proba(X_test)[:, 1] / N_SPLITS
cat_scores.append(roc_auc_score(y_val, cat_oof[val_idx]))

print(f"Fold {fold+1} Scores: LGB={lgb_scores[-1]:.6f}, XGB={xgb_scores[-1]:.6f}, Cat={cat_scores[-1]:.6f}")
gc.collect()

# --- Final OOF Scores ---
lgb_score = roc_auc_score(y, lgb_oof)
xgb_score = roc_auc_score(y, xgb_oof)
cat_score = roc_auc_score(y, cat_oof)

print(f"\n--- Overall OOF Scores ---")
print(f"LightGBM OOF AUC: {lgb_score:.6f}")
print(f"XGBoost OOF AUC: {xgb_score:.6f}")
print(f"CatBoost OOF AUC: {cat_score:.6f}")

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7. Ensembling

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In [ ]: # Model Comparison
print("\nMODEL COMPARISON")
comparison = pd.DataFrame({
    'Model': ['LightGBM', 'XGBoost', 'CatBoost'],
    'OOF AUC': [lgb_score, xgb_score, cat_score]
}).sort_values('OOF AUC', ascending=False)
print(comparison)

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In [ ]: # Create Ensemble
print("\nCREATING ENSEMBLE")

# 1. Simple Average
simple_oof = (lgb_oof + xgb_oof + cat_oof) / 3
simple_test = (lgb_test + xgb_test + cat_test) / 3
simple_score = roc_auc_score(y, simple_oof)

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# 2. Weighted Average
total_auc = lgb_score + xgb_score + cat_score
w_lgb = lgb_score / total_auc
w_xgb = xgb_score / total_auc
w_cat = cat_score / total_auc
weighted_oof = (lgb_oof * w_lgb) + (xgb_oof * w_xgb) + (cat_oof * w_cat)
weighted_test = (lgb_test * w_lgb) + (xgb_test * w_xgb) + (cat_test * w_cat)
weighted_score = roc_auc_score(y, weighted_oof)

# 3. Rank Average
rank_oof = (rankdata(lgb_oof) + rankdata(xgb_oof) + rankdata(cat_oof)) / (3 * 1e6)
rank_test = (rankdata(lgb_test) + rankdata(xgb_test) + rankdata(cat_test)) / (3 * 1e6)
rank_score = roc_auc_score(y, rank_oof)

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In [ ]: # Ensemble Results
ensemble_results = pd.DataFrame({
    'Ensemble': ['Simple Average', 'Weighted Average', 'Rank Average'],
    'OOF AUC': [simple_score, weighted_score, rank_score]
}).sort_values('OOF AUC', ascending=False)

print("\nEnsemble Results:")
print(ensemble_results)
print(f"\nWeights: LGB={w_lgb:.3f}, XGB={w_xgb:.3f}, CAT={w_cat:.3f}")

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In [ ]: # Choose best
best_idx = ensemble_results['OOF AUC'].idxmax()
best_name = ensemble_results.loc[best_idx, 'Ensemble']
best_score = ensemble_results.loc[best_idx, 'OOF AUC']

if best_name == 'Simple Average':
    final_preds = simple_test
elif best_name == 'Weighted Average':
    final_preds = weighted_test
else:
    final_preds = rank_test

print(f"\nBest Ensemble: {best_name} (AUC: {best_score:.6f})")

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8. Submission

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In [ ]: print("\n--- 8. Submission ---")
submission = pd.DataFrame({'id': test['id'], TARGET: final_preds})
submission.to_csv('submission.csv', index=False)
print("Submission file created successfully!")
display(submission.head())

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In [ ]: plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
sns.histplot(submission[TARGET], bins=50, kde=True)
plt.title('Distribution of Final Predictions')
plt.xlabel('Predicted Probability')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.show()

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