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# DefaultShield: Business Loan Default Prediction Model

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Project  
Overview

# Problem : Business Loan Default

## **Critical Challenge in Finance:**

Accurately predicting business loan defaults.

**Risks:** Financial losses and limited credit provision due to prediction inaccuracies.

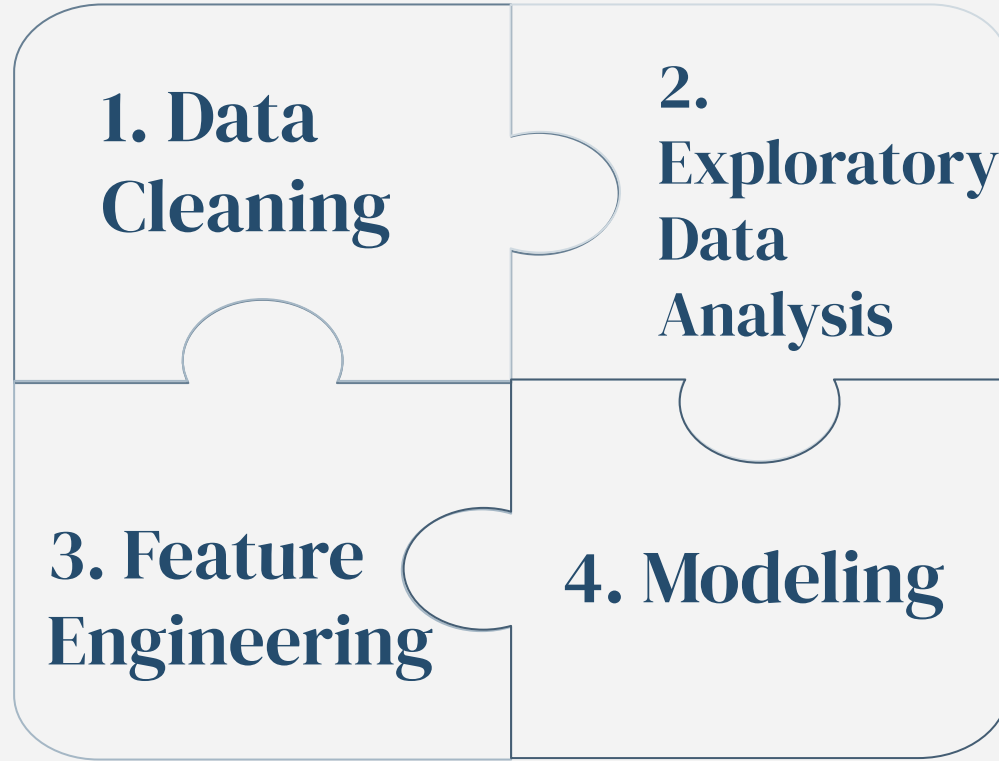
# Solution : Prediction Model

**For Lenders:** Significantly reduces the risk of losing money on bad loans.

**For the Economy:** More accurate predictions mean more businesses can get the loans they need to grow, boosting the economy.

**For Financial Health:** Leads to a more stable and reliable lending environment.

# Workflow





Data  
Source

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# Data Source

**Origin of Data:** Our project utilizes data from the Small Business Administration (SBA), known for its extensive records on small business loans.

**Focus:** This dataset specifically targets small businesses seeking loans, providing a relevant and focused perspective for our analysis.



#	Variable Name	Description
1	LoanNr_ChkDgt	Identifier Primary key
2	Name	Borrower name
3	City	Borrower city
4	State	Borrower state
5	Zip	Borrower zip code
6	Bank	Bank name
7	BankState	Bank state
8	NAICS	North American industry classification system code
9	ApprovalDate	Date SBA commitment issued
10	ApprovalFY	Fiscal year of commitment
11	Term	Loan term in months
12	NoEmp	Number of business employees
13	NewExist	1 = Existing business, 2 = New business
14	CreateJob	Number of jobs created
15	RetainedJob	Number of jobs retained
16	FranchiseCode	Franchise code, (00000 or 00001) = No franchise
17	UrbanRural	1 = Urban, 2 = rural, 0 = undefined
18	RevLineCr	Revolving line of credit: Y = Yes, N = No
19	LowDoc	LowDoc Loan Program: Y = Yes, N = No
20	ChgOffDate	The date when a loan is declared to be in default
21	DisbursementDate	Disbursement date
22	DisbursementGross	Amount disbursed
23	BalanceGross	Gross amount outstanding
24	MIS_Status	Loan status charged off = CHGOFF, Paid in full =PIF
25	ChgOffPrinGr	Charged-off amount
26	GrAppv	Gross amount of loan approved by bank
27	SBA_Appv	SBA's guaranteed amount of approved loan

# Data Characteristics

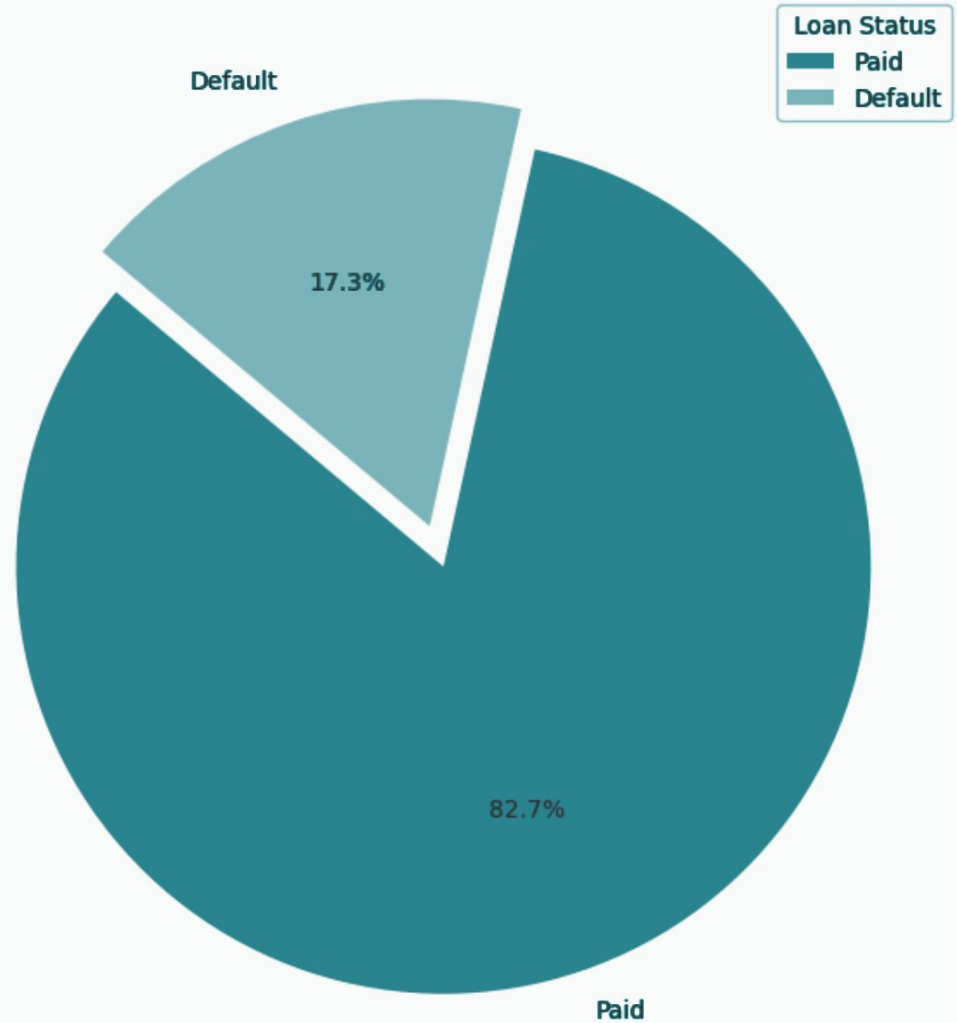
**Dataset Overview:** The dataset offers in-depth information on loan applications, encompassing various aspects of the loan process.

**Details Covered:** It includes borrower information, loan terms, and other crucial factors pivotal for predicting loan default risks.

**Key Variables:** As outlined in the data dictionary, key variables include borrower financials, loan status, repayment terms, business characteristics, and credit history.



# Percentage of Different Loan Status

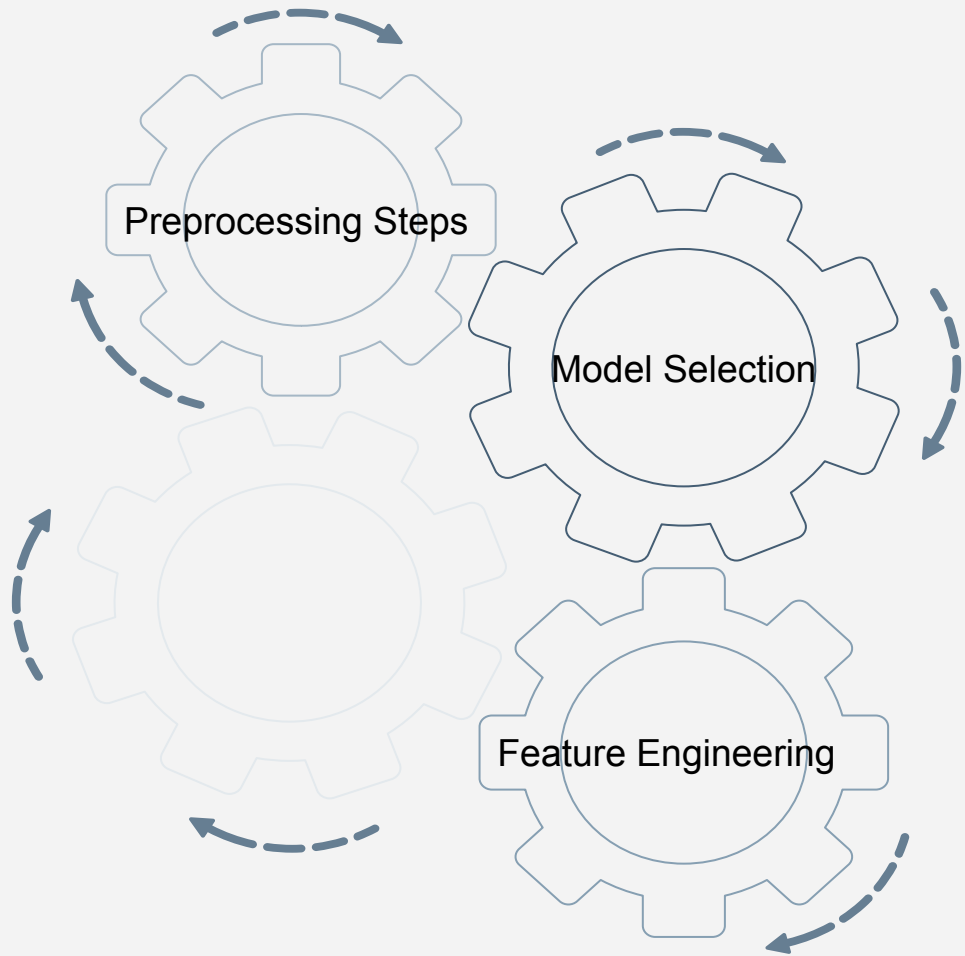




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Methodology

# Methodology





Key Insights

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## Key Insights

**EDA revealed significant insights:** Industry type strongly correlates with default rates, and larger loan amounts are more prone to default.

**Data Imbalance Between Paid and Default Status:** There was a high imbalance in the dataset between loans that were paid off and those that defaulted. This imbalance presents a challenge for predictive modeling as it can skew the results towards the majority class (paid status).



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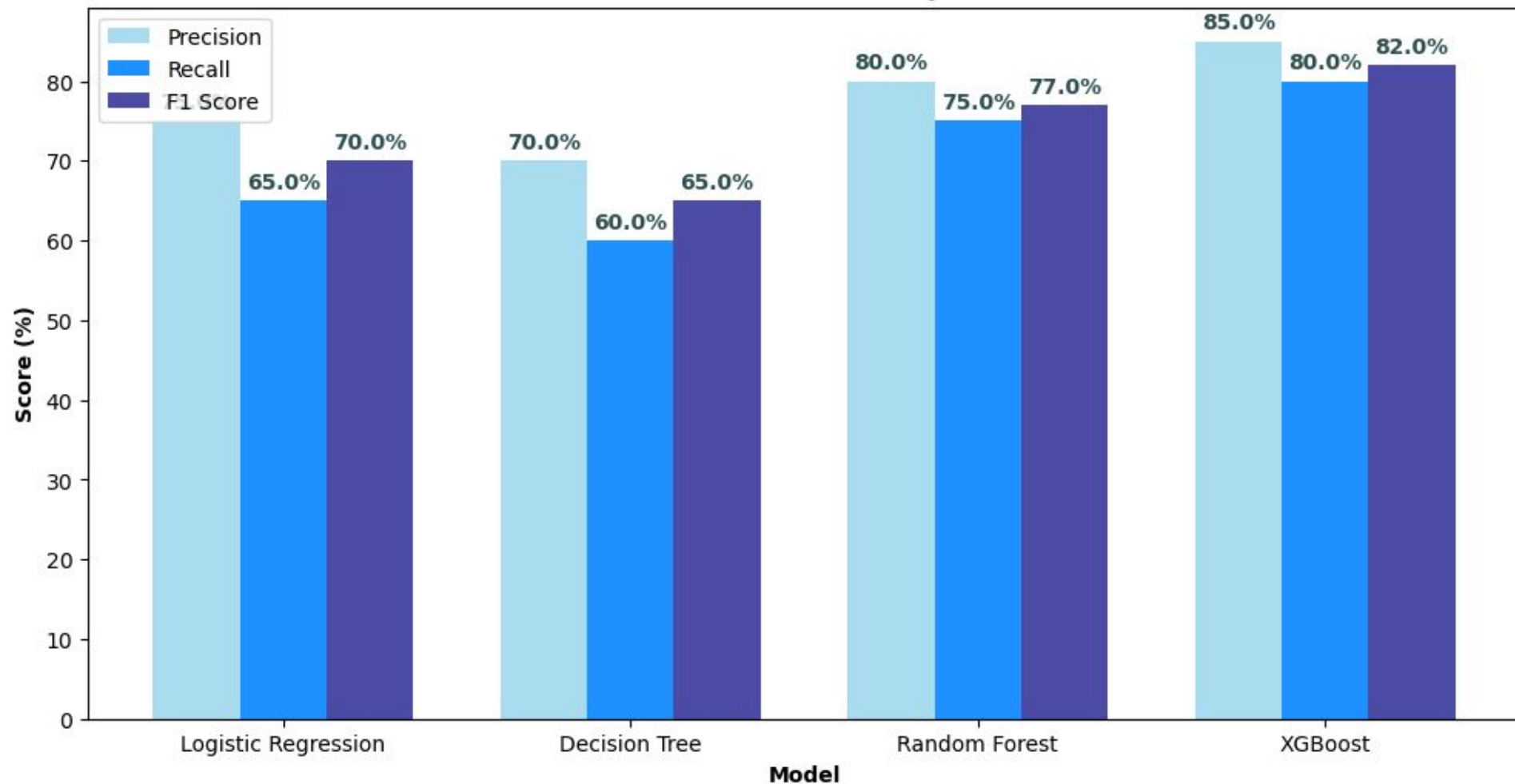
Model  
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# Machine Learning Models





**Precision, Recall, and F1 Score Comparison for Models**





Conclusion

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# Conclusion

**Project Overview:** Developed a predictive model for assessing the risk of loan defaults in small businesses using data from the Small Business Administration.

**Key Findings:** Identified critical factors influencing loan defaults, including loan amount, business age, industry trends, and borrower's credit score.

**Model Performance:** Successfully implemented and compared multiple models, with showing the most promise in terms of precision, recall, and F1 scores.