MIS-637 PROJECT PROPOSAL
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Problem Statement: Diabetes is one of the deadliest diseases in the world. It is not only a disease but also creator of different kinds of diseases like heart attack, blindness etc. The normal identifying process is that patients need to visit a diagnostic center, consult their doctor, and sit tight for a day or more to get their reports.

So, the objective of this project is to identify whether the patient has diabetes or not based on diagnostic measurements.

Dataset Used: The dataset used has been obtained from UCI Machine Learning Repository having 769 records of **Female Patients** exclusively.
Dataset Link: https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Pima+Indians+Diabetes

From the domain knowledge, I have analyzed and found out the ranges of values and its effects on diabetes for each continuous variable in the dataset. Based upon these ranges we will categorize the continuous variables for implementing the decision tree in the next step. Also, we can utilize these ranges to come up with appropriate null value replacement for each independent variable.

There are 8 independent variables:

1. Pregnancies: No. of times pregnant
2. Glucose: Plasma Glucose Concentration a 2 hour in an oral glucose tolerance test (mg/dl)

Plasma Glucose Test	Normal	Prediabetes	Diabetes
2 hour post-prandial	Below 7.8 mmol/l Below 140 mg/dl	7.8 to 11.0 mmol/l 140 to 199 mg/dl	11.1 mmol/l or more 200 mg/dl or more

A 2-hour value between 140 and 200 mg/dL (7.8 and 11.1 mmol/L) is called impaired glucose tolerance. This is called "pre-diabetes." It means you are at increased risk of developing diabetes over time. A glucose level of 200 mg/dL (11.1 mmol/L) or higher is used to diagnose diabetes.

3. Blood Pressure: Diastolic Blood Pressure(mmHg)
   If Diastolic B.P > 90 means High B.P (High Probability of Diabetes)
   Diastolic B.P < 60 means low B.P (Less Probability of Diabetes)

4. Skin Thickness: Triceps Skin Fold Thickness (mm) –
   A value used to estimate body fat. Normal Triceps SkinFold Thickness in women is 23mm. Higher thickness leads to obesity and chances of diabetes increases.

5. Insulin: 2-Hour Serum Insulin (mu U/ml)

	Normal Insulin Level
2 Hours After Glucose	16-166 mIU/L

Values above this range can be alarming.

6. BMI: Body Mass Index (weight in kg/ height in m^2)
   Body Mass Index of **18.5 to 25** is within the normal range
   BMI between **25 and 30** then it falls within the overweight range. A BMI of **30 or over** falls within the obese range.

7. Diabetes Pedigree Function: It provides information about diabetes history in relatives and genetic relationship of those relatives with patients. Higher Pedigree Function means patient is more likely to have diabetes.

8. Age (years)

9. Outcome: Class Variable (0 or 1) where '**0**' denotes patient is not having diabetes and '**1**' denotes patient having diabetes

The **dependent variable** is whether the patient is having diabetes or not.

Data Cleaning will take place as data has got lot of missing values. Handling missing values can be done either by replacing null values with mode or mean or replacing the null value with a random variable.

Sample Data

Pregnancies	Glucose	BloodPressure	SkinThickness	Insulin	BMI	DiabetesPedigreeFunction	Age	Outcome
6	148	72	35	0	33.6	0.627	50	1
1	85	66	29	0	26.6	0.351	31	0
8	183	64	0	0	23.3	0.672	32	1
1	89	66	23	94	28.1	0.167	21	0
0	137	40	35	168	43.1	2.288	33	1
5	116	74	0	0	25.6	0.201	30	0
3	78	50	32	88	31	0.248	26	1
10	115	0	0	0	35.3	0.134	29	0
2	197	70	45	543	30.5	0.158	53	1
8	125	96	0	0	0	0.232	54	1
4	110	92	0	0	37.6	0.191	30	0

Algorithms Used: As we have to classify the data into patients having diabetes or not, the best method which can be used is Classification and Regression Tree Algorithm(CART), because in this, the dataset is divided into training and testing data. Further we can easily classify and predict the outcome using nodes and internodes.

Software Package Used: Python-Scikit Learn, Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib

Advantage of this project: The rules derived will be helpful for doctors to identify patients suffering from diabetes. Further predicting the disease early leads to treating the patient before it becomes critical.