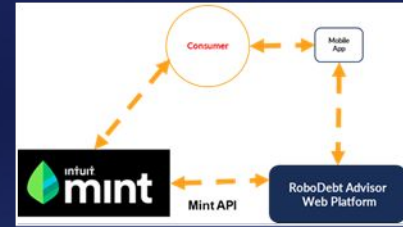


# RoboDebt Advisor

## Using Machine Learning for Financial Education



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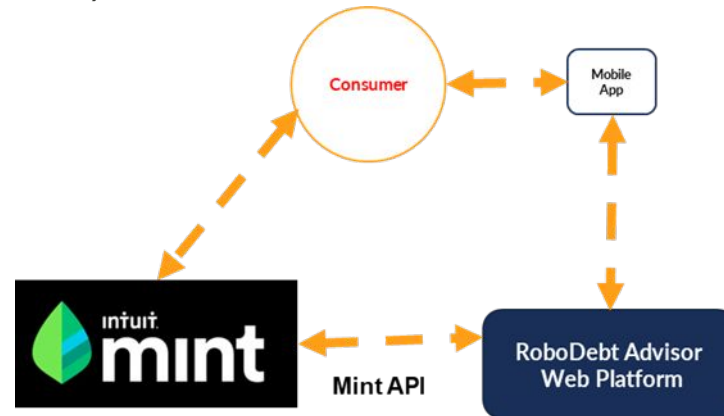
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# AGENDA

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- Methodology Used
- Machine Learning Model
- Results
- Summary

# Project Purpose : RoboDebt Advisor: A Fintech Application for Financial Education

- Consumer Debt is a major problem in the USA
- However most consumers do not have the means to hire a financial advisor
- I want to leverage the power of AI/ML in building
  - A fintech application that acts like a virtual financial advisor
  - It would help a consumer to recover from a financial debt by promoting financial education
  - This is one of the ways we can use AI/ML for society's benefit



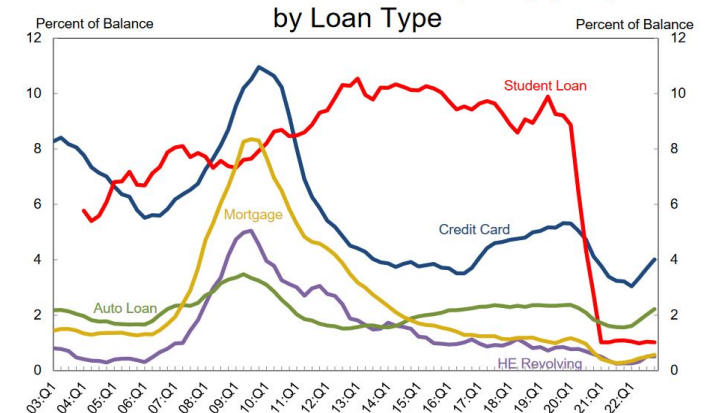
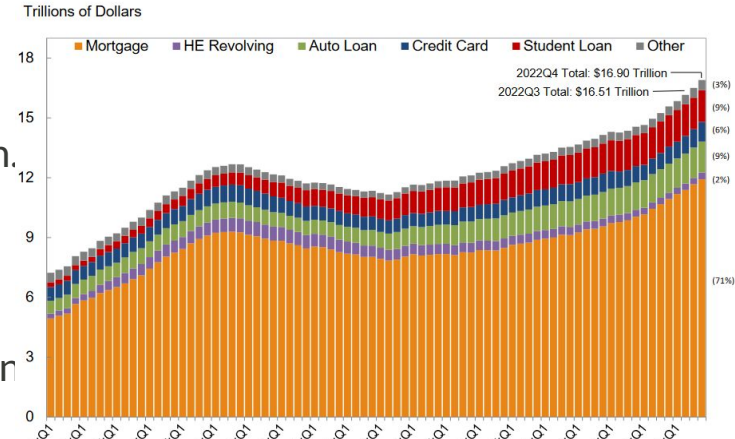
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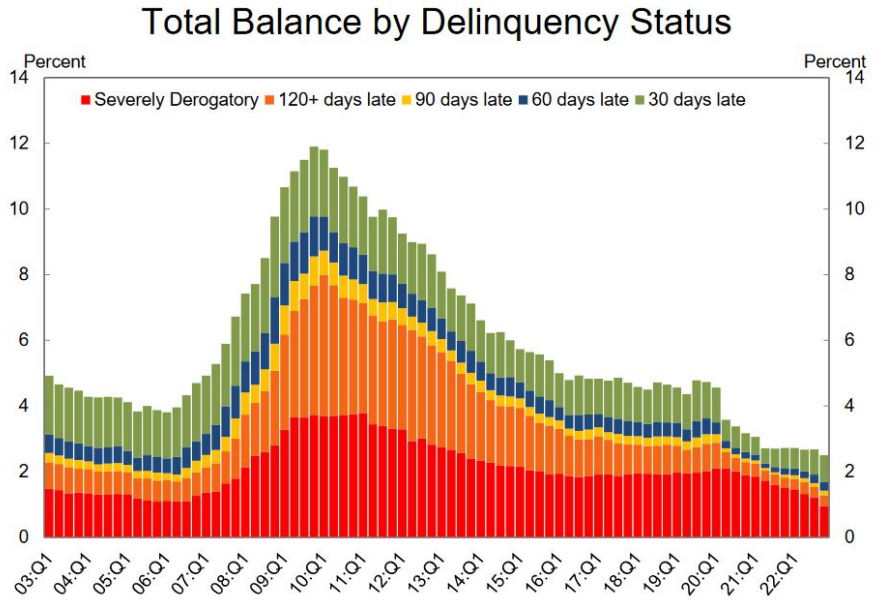
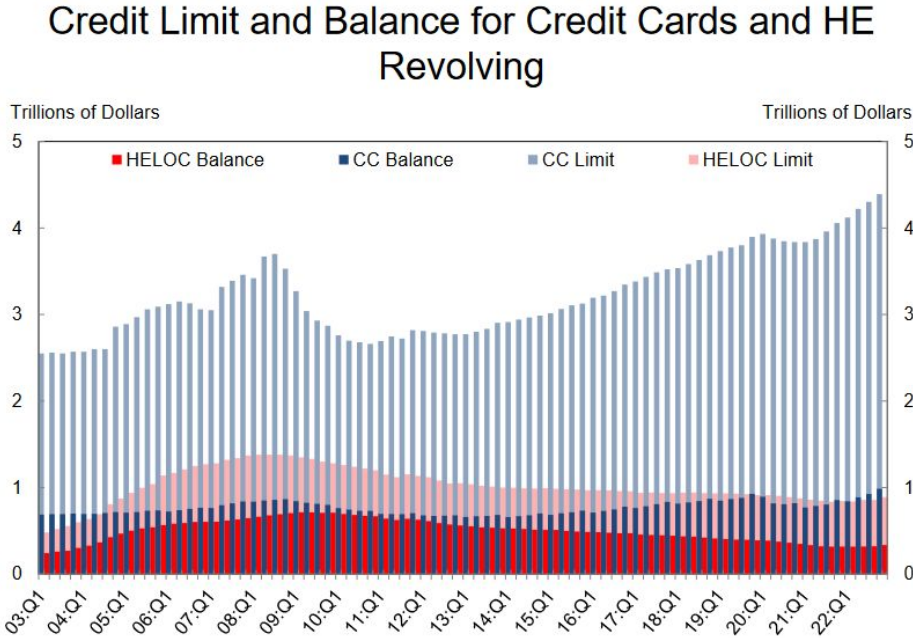
- Consumer debt in America was approximately \$16.51 Trillion in Q3 2022\*
- The Credit Card debt across USA, was roughly \$0.93 Trillion.
- Majority of the consumers with credit card debt have their finances out of control.
- Often end up making decisions that leads them into taking on more debt.
- Given a chance they would like to get out this situation
- For putting in a mitigation plan those consumers:
  - Just don't have the financial education
  - Or funds necessary to hire a financial planner

Total Debt Balance and its Composition



\*n.b:Data & Diagrams Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York

# Problem Statement: Consumer Debt in the USA





# Solution Overview

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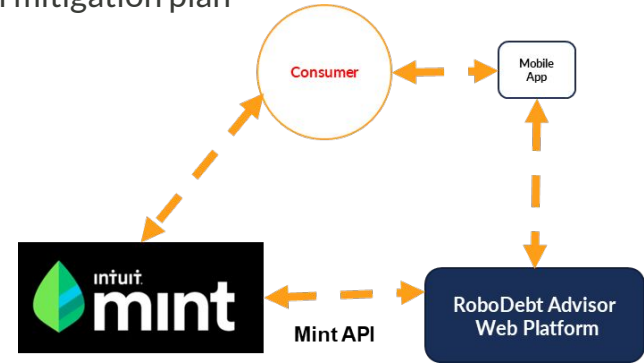
# My Solution: RoboDebt Advisor & What it Does

## ■ RoboDebt Advisor Functions:

- Aggregate a Consumer's financial transaction data from any existing free application api (Mint)
- Develops an ML Model on the consumer transactions
- Generates Recommendations on Debt Reduction Strategies and financial mitigation plan
- Generate a daily report on the consumer's financial health

## ■ RoboDebt Advisor Features:

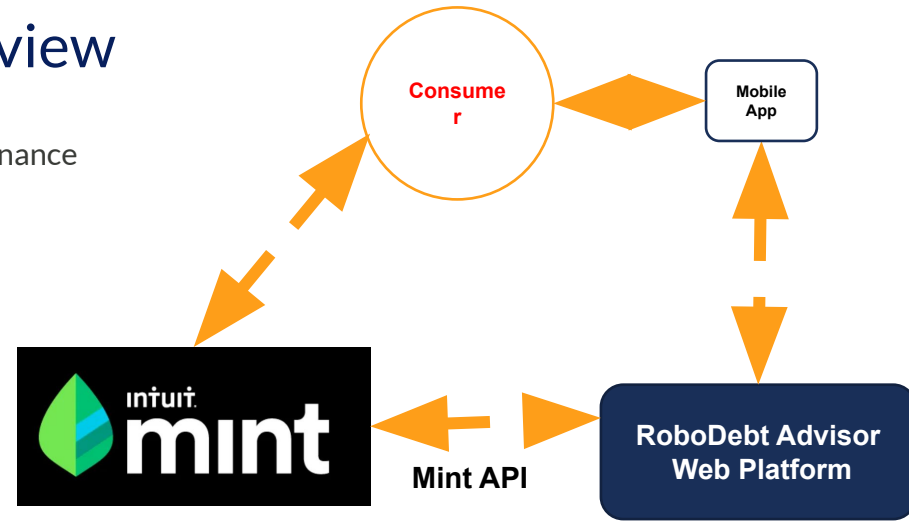
- Suggest potential ways to prevent the customer default:
  - By flagging high interest debt by with a set of actions/recommendations
  - Real time monitoring with a workflow engine to trigger alerts and actions
  - Auto-scheduling payments based on pre-determined thresholds.
- Simple intuitive Interface via Phone App





# RoboDebt Advisor: High Level Overview

- Mint is a popular free personal finance application for personal finance
- This Mobile application and web platform leverages Mint's API
- How this solution works:
  - Customer's sign up for Mint and enter their financial data
  - Mint aggregates the Consumer's financial Data
  - Customer downloads RoboDebt Advisor application
  - Logs in to this application with their Mint ID/Password
  - The Phone app creates the account on RoboDebt Web Platform
  - Pulls in customer data from Mint via intuit customer data API \*
  - Goes through the following phases

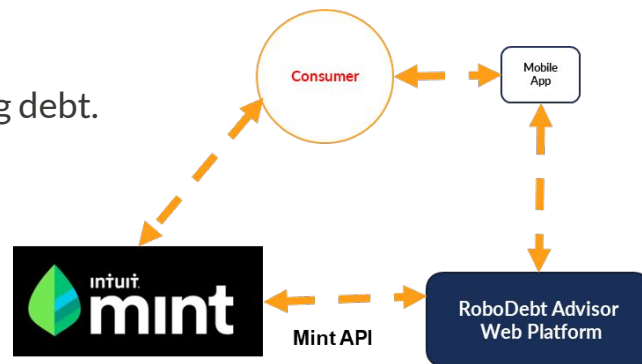


# Algorithm Overview

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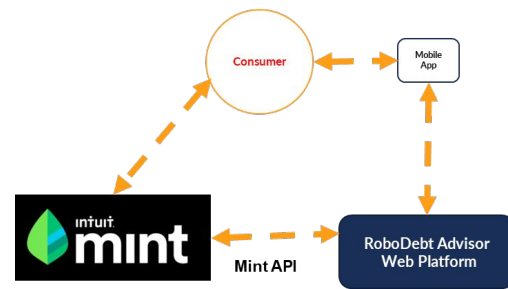
# RoboDebt Advisor: Algorithm Overview Data Acquisition Phase

- Aggregate the Bill data from Check Module (Mint Bills) & data from income sources
  - Add up all the bills and income
  - Figure out the difference to arrive at the money left for servicing debt.
  - Rank the obligations into
    - High interest debt
    - Non-deductible low-interest debt
    - Tax-deductible debt
  - Pull in the most recent credit score from Mint's built in VantageScore® interface
  - Record the most up to date information of the consumer's creditworthiness



# RoboDebt Advisor: Algorithm Overview Data Analysis Phase 1

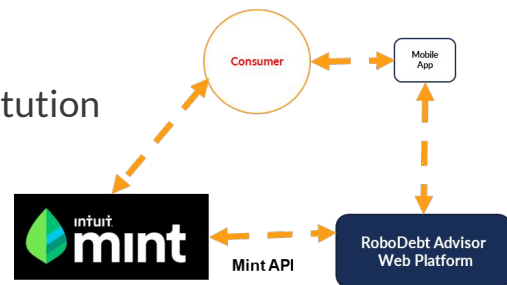
- Provide a review day-to-day expenditure. Provide recommendations to cut back.
- Provide a review of subscriptions along with recommendations for cut backs.
- Based on the ranking of the debt provide recommendations for a debt avalanching\*
  - high-interest debt (first), suggest doubling up on payments to speed up the payback period
  - non-deductible, low-interest debt (next), again suggestions for doubling up payments
  - tax-deductible debt (last).
  - Provide recommendation to the user for alternatives or encourage quitting the habit of using high-interest debt.
- Based on the credit rating
  - Provide lender recommendations for larger, lower-interest loan, and roadmap to consolidate all the consumer's debts into this loan.



\*n.b: Debt Avalanche: Please refer this [Investopedia link](#) for details

# RoboDebt Advisor: Algorithm Overview Data Analysis Phase 2

- Recommend a Debt renegotiation plan:
  - Rank the customers lending institutions with whom they have outstanding debts
  - If customer owes more than one bank, start with the bank with which they have the best history.
  - Provide a damage report, a new cash-based budget
  - List out the steps to take to avoid defaulting on the existing debts
  - Suggest renegotiation terms for the debt the customer has with the institution



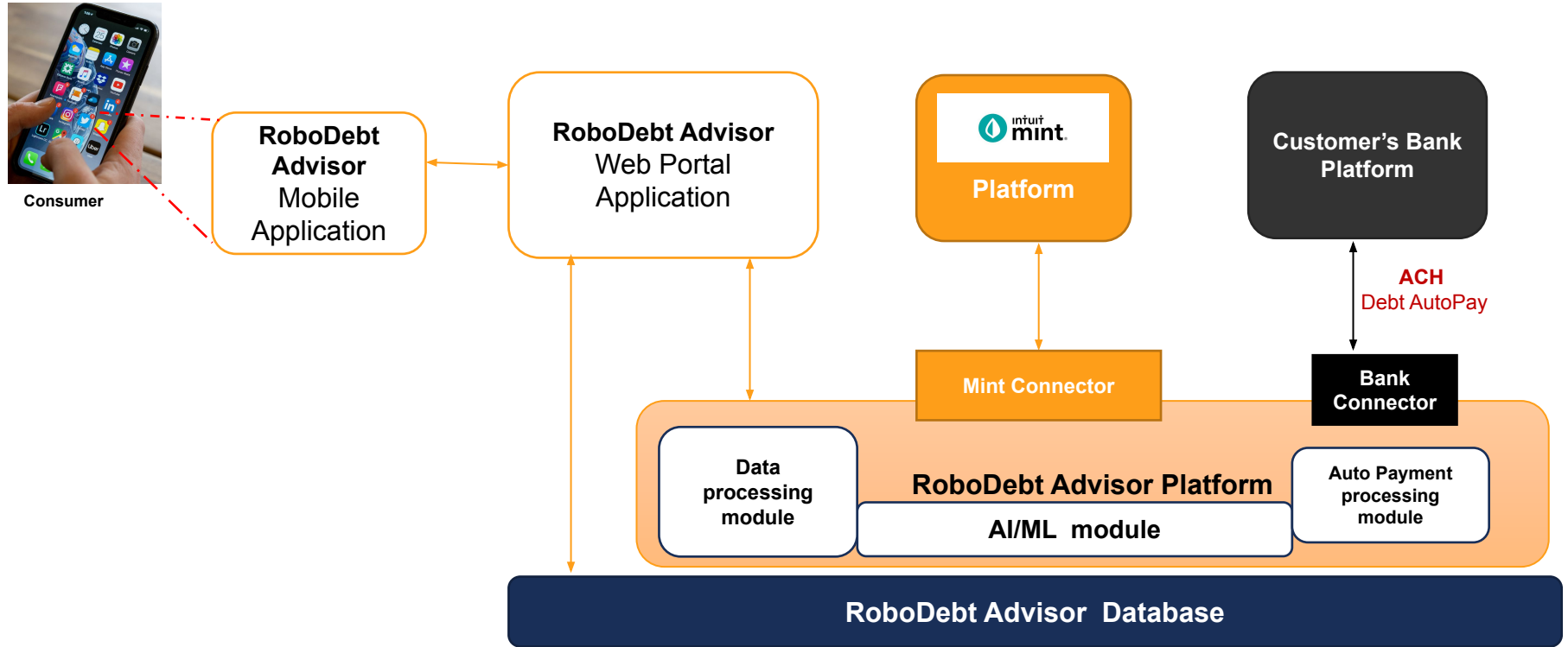
# Software Architecture Overview

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# RoboDebt Advisor: Software Platform Building Blocks

## Functional Block Diagram



# RoboDebt Advisor: Implementation of Credit Card Default Predictor

- In this challenge round I plan on implementing the Credit Default Predictor
- I used the Credit Card Default Analysis from UC Irvine from Kaggle, for this ML program
  - The variables are:
    - Default Payment (0 = No, 1 = Yes)
    - Amount of Given Credit
    - Gender (1 = Male, 2 = Female)
    - Education (1 = Graduate School, 2 = University, 3 = High School, 4 = Other, 5 = Unknown)
    - Marital Status (1 = Married, 2 = Single, 3 = Others)
    - Age
    - History of Past Payment from April 2005 to September 2005 where -2=no consumption, -1=pay duly, 0=the use of revolving credit, 1=payment delay for one month, 2=payment delay for two months, ... 9=payment delay for nine months and above
    - Amount of Bill Statement from April 2005 to September 2005
    - Amount of Previous Payment April 2005 to September 2005

# Credit Card Default Predictor

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# RoboDebtAdvisor: Machine Learning for Credit Card Default Analysis

- In this challenge round I am implementing a Credit Default Predictor
- In this challenge round I implemented a Credit Default Predictor Application
- This will be a subapplication in the RoboDebt Advisor application
- I Chose Credit Card debt as it is the most common type of Debt in USA
- Data Source used for Development: Kaggle UCI Credit Card Data
  - <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/uciml/default-of-credit-card-clients-dataset>
  - The data contains 24 variables and a total of 30,000 individual instances of customer data
  - The last column indicates credit card default for a customer
  - I modified the:
    - Random Forest code sample from O-Reilly's Introduction to Machine Learning with Python
    - This is a technology demonstrator as should be treated as such.
    - The development was done on windows running Anaconda Python
    - Pandas and Sklearn library was used

```
C:\Users\gia.nathan\Desktop>python
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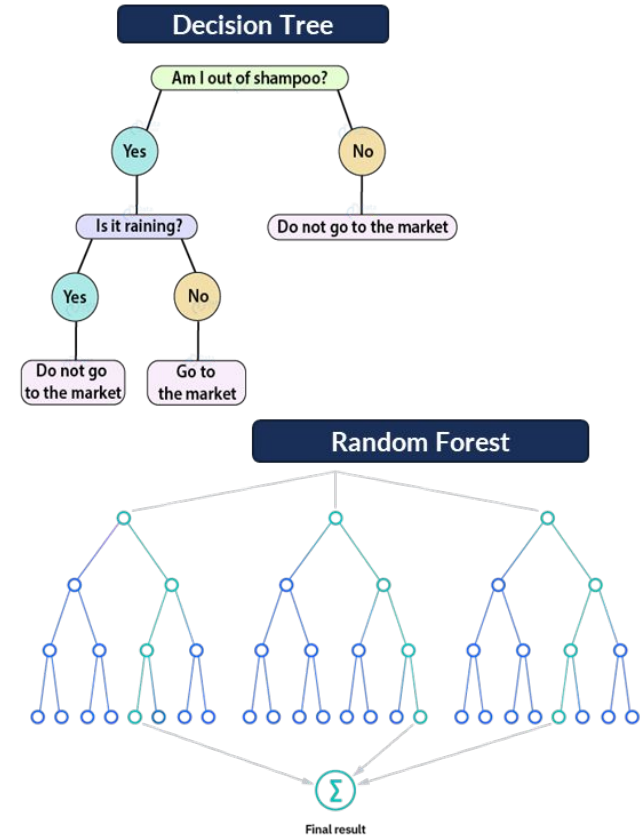
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>>>
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```
>>> df
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 30000 entries, 0 to 29999
Data columns (total 24 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   LIMIT_BAL   30000 non-null  float64
1   SEX         30000 non-null  int64
2   EDUCATION   30000 non-null  int64
3   MARRIAGE    30000 non-null  int64
4   AGE         30000 non-null  int64
5   PAY_0       30000 non-null  int64
6   PAY_2       30000 non-null  int64
7   PAY_3       30000 non-null  int64
8   PAY_4       30000 non-null  int64
9   PAY_5       30000 non-null  int64
10  PAY_6       30000 non-null  int64
11  BILL_AMT1   30000 non-null  float64
12  BILL_AMT2   30000 non-null  float64
13  BILL_AMT3   30000 non-null  float64
14  BILL_AMT4   30000 non-null  float64
15  BILL_AMT5   30000 non-null  float64
16  BILL_AMT6   30000 non-null  float64
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22  PAY_AMT6    30000 non-null  float64
23  Default     30000 non-null  int64
dtypes: float64(13), int64(11)
memory usage: 5.5 MB
```

# RoboDebtAdvisor: What the program does

- The program takes in Customer Credit Card information
- The raw data
  - Is in the form of a comma separated value file
  - It is read and cleaned using Pandas Library
  - This is the raw input used by sklearn library to build a model
- We then teach the computer to detect patterns in the data
- This is stored in a file called “Model”
- The Model is trained to detect certain types of patterns.
  - The data is divided into a training and test set to verify the accuracy.
  - The model is trained using algorithms that allows the computer to learn the patterns in data
  - When new data is presented to the data the model is able to detect or ‘predict’ based on what it learned
  - One such algorithm is Decision Tree.
  - A Decision Tree is a graph representation of all possible solutions to a decision based on certain conditions.
  - It can be used for classification tasks (credit card default or not )
  - We can concatenate a number of decision trees using an algorithm can Random Forest. (diagram)
  - This is a supervised algorithm as we are teaching the algorithm with manually cleaned data



# RoboDebtAdvisor: What the program does

- We can implement the Random Forest algorithm using the sklearn package like so:
  - I divide the data into training and test set
  - The y represents the variable I want to predict
    - 1 represents a default
    - 0 represents normal credit
  - RAN (random forest) is the model
- Sklearn is able to predict with 82% accuracy in few lines of code.
- This is a rudimentary implementation
- The algorithm can definitely be improved

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier

Ran = RandomForestClassifier(criterion= 'gini', max_depth= 6,
                             max_features= 5, n_estimators= 150,
                             random_state=0)

Ran.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = Ran.predict(X_test)
print('Accuracy:', metrics.accuracy_score(y_pred,y_test))

## 5-fold cross-validation
cv_scores =cross_val_score(Ran, X, y, cv=5)

# Print the 5-fold cross-validation scores
print()
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
print()
print("Average 5-Fold CV Score: {}".format(round(np.mean(cv_scores),4)),
      ", Standard deviation: {}".format(round(np.std(cv_scores),4)))

plt.figure(figsize=(4,3))
ConfMatrix = confusion_matrix(y_test,Ran.predict(X_test))
sns.heatmap(ConfMatrix,annot=True, cmap="Blues", fmt="d",
            xticklabels = ['Non-default', 'Default'],
            yticklabels = ['Non-default', 'Default'])
plt.ylabel('True label')
plt.xlabel('Predicted label')
plt.title("Confusion Matrix - Random Forest");
```

Accuracy: 0.8171666666666667



# RoboDebtAdvisor: What the program does

- Next I implemented:

- A simple method to use this model for predictions.
- I then created a pandas dataframe to hold/mimic new customer data
- This is data the model has never seen before

```
def RF_Prediction(creditCardData):  
    crd=pd.DataFrame(creditCardData)  
    results = Ran.predict(crd)  
  
    print("The predicted Credit status is: $", results)  
    print("")  
    print("Here is how to interpret the credit default status of a customer:")  
    print("")  
    print("An outcome of '1' indicates that there is high likely hood of a default on their credit card debt")  
    print("")  
    print("An outcome of '0' indicates that the customer has high probability of paying their credit card debt" )  
    return
```

- We can see that the model

- is able to predict
- Credit default 1
  - or
- No default 0

Fairly accurately

```
newCustomerCreditCardData=data[29991:]  
newCustomerCreditCardData= newCustomerCreditCardData.drop("Default", axis=1)
```

```
RF_Prediction(newCustomerCreditCardData)
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The predicted Credit status is: \$ [1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0]

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# RoboDebtAdvisor: Some Thoughts on preventing Bias

## ■ ML equivalent of “Blind Taste Test”

- We can begin by denying the algorithm the information suspected of biasing the outcome
- This will ensure that it makes predictions blind to that variable.
- This is similar to blind taste test used for food products

## ■ Getting Direct Input From End Users

- We can collect a sampling of personal experiences with our AI model by phone or email.
- We can then focus on finding issues that need correcting based on actual customer feedback

## ■ Constant Monitoring and Transparency

- We can share data used and outcomes with openness, transparency with data providers
- Solicit feedback from time to time to prevent bias from creeping in
- Always make sure that we follow Lawful and Ethical practices when collecting data

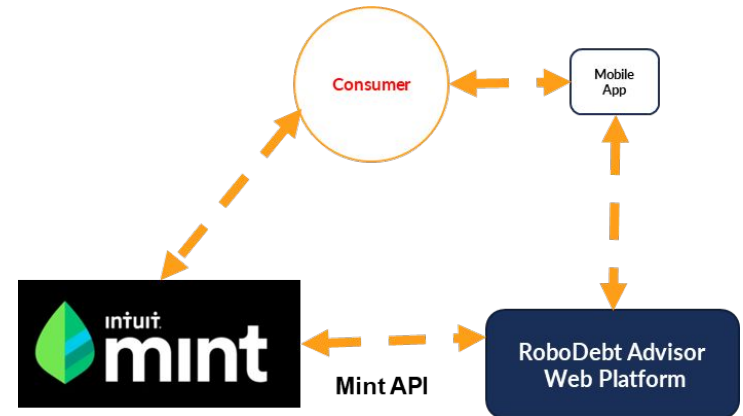
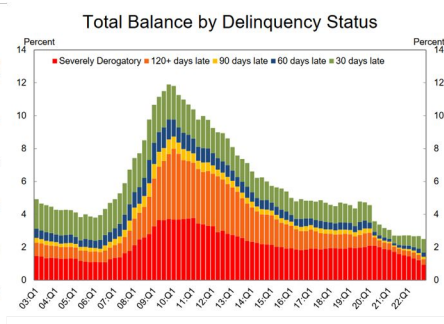
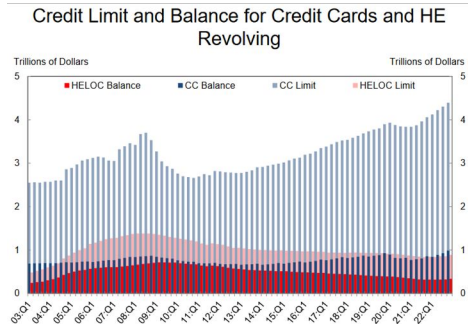
## ■ Use of Awareness and Debiasing Tools for Supervised Learning Algorithms

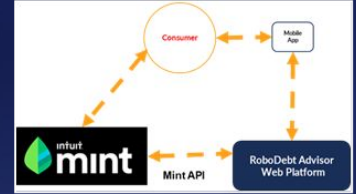
- Companies like IBM have developed tools (AI Fairness 360 (AIF360))

Source: IBM: <https://github.com/Trusted-AI/AIF360>

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