

Portfolio assignment 15

30 min: Train a decision tree to predict the species of a penguin based on their characteristics.

- Split the penguin dataset into a train (70%) and test (30%) set.
- Use the train set to fit a DecisionTreeClassifier. You are free to choose which columns you want to use as feature variables and you are also free to choose the max_depth of the tree. **Note:** Some machine learning algorithms can not handle missing values. You will either need to
 - replace missing values (with the mean or most popular value). For replacing missing values you can use `.fillna(<value>)` <https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/reference/api/pandas.Series.fillna.html> (<https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/reference/api/pandas.Series.fillna.html>)
 - remove rows with missing data. You can remove rows with missing data with `.dropna()` <https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/reference/api/pandas.DataFrame.dropna.html> (<https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/reference/api/pandas.DataFrame.dropna.html>)
- Use your decision tree model to make predictions for both the train and test set.
- Calculate the accuracy for both the train set predictions and test set predictions.
- Is the accuracy different? Did you expect this difference?
- Use the `plot_tree_classification` function above to create a plot of the decision tree. Take a few minutes to analyse the decision tree. Do you understand the tree?

Optional: Perform the same tasks but try to predict the sex of the penguin based on the other columns

In [1]:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn import tree
import graphviz

def plot_tree_classification(model, features, class_names):
    # Generate plot data
    dot_data = tree.export_graphviz(model, out_file=None,
                                    feature_names=features,
                                    class_names=class_names,
                                    filled=True, rounded=True,
                                    special_characters=True)

    # Turn into graph using graphviz
    graph = graphviz.Source(dot_data)

    # Write out a pdf
    graph.render("decision_tree")

    # Display in the notebook
    return graph
```

In [2]:

```
penguins = sns.load_dataset("penguins")
penguins.dropna(axis=0, inplace=True)
```

In [3]:

```
penguins_train, penguins_test = train_test_split(penguins, test_size = 0.3, stratify=penguins['species'])  
print(penguins_train.shape, penguins_test.shape)
```

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(233, 7) (100, 7)
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In [4]:

```
features = ['flipper_length_mm']  
dt_classification = DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth = 3) # Increase max_depth to see effect  
dt_classification.fit(penguins_train[features], penguins_train['species'])
```

Out[4]:

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DecisionTreeClassifier(max_depth=3)
```

In [5]:

```
plot_tree_classification(dt_classification, features, penguins.species.unique())
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Out[5]:



