Project: Predicting Budget Implementation Bottlenecks in LGAs

Objective

This project aims to use machine learning to predict which local government projects are likely to be **abandoned** or **delayed**, based on features like sector, contractor reliability, project budget, and duration.

Dataset Summary

The dataset is synthetic and contains the following fields:

- LGA: Name of the Local Government Area
- Region : Geopolitical region
- Sector: Project sector (e.g., Health, Education)
- Contractor_ID : Unique identifier for contractors
- Contractor_Completed : Number of completed projects by the contractor
- Contractor_Abandoned : Number of abandoned projects
- Contractor_Score: Performance score between 0 and 1
- Amount : Project budget
- Duration_Days : Expected project duration
- Project_Status: Target variable (On Time, Delayed, Abandoned)

What We'll Do

- Clean and preprocess the data
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA)
- Build a predictive model using pipelines (Random Forest/XGBoost)
- Evaluate model performance
- Export trained model for Streamlit deployment

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In [19]: # Load dataset
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv("LGA_Project_Bottlenecks_Synthetic.csv")
    df.head()
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| Out[19]: | | LGA | Region | Sector | Contractor_ID | Contractor_Completed | Contractor_Abandoned | Contractor_Score | Amount | Duration_Day |
|----------|-----|--------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------|--------------|
| | 0 | Jos North | South West | Health | C009 | 4 | 1 | 0.60 | 46885.10 | 17 |
| | 1 | Nsukka | North East | Education | C004 | 4 | 0 | 0.80 | 22051.60 | 14 |
| | 2 | llorin | South South | Health | C014 | 5 | 1 | 0.67 | 17538.23 | ç |
| | 3 | Bwari | North Central | Health | C007 | 4 | 1 | 0.60 | 21748.68 | 16 |
| | 4 | Nsukka | South South | Electricity | C001 | 9 | 0 | 0.90 | 13659.25 | 24 |
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Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

We will explore:

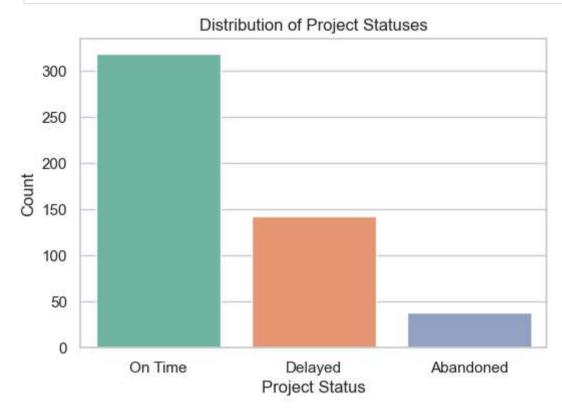
- Distribution of project outcomes
- Sector and region patterns
- Contractor reliability vs. delays
- Amount and duration trends by project status

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import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")

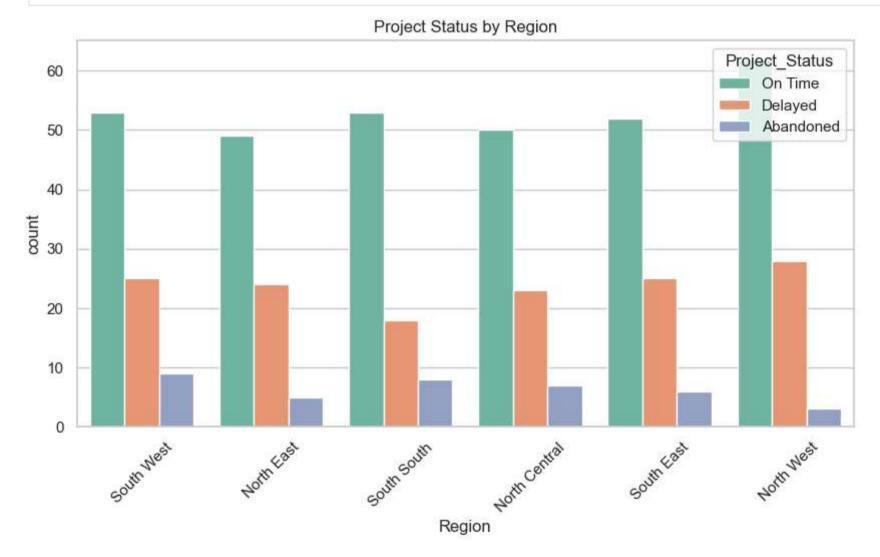
In [23]:
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import seaborn as sns
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# Set style
sns.set(style="whitegrid")

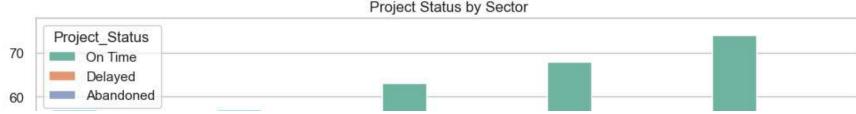
# Plot distribution of project statuses
plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
sns.countplot(x="Project_Status", data=df, palette="Set2")
plt.title("Distribution of Project Statuses")
plt.xlabel("Project Status")
plt.ylabel("Count")
plt.show()
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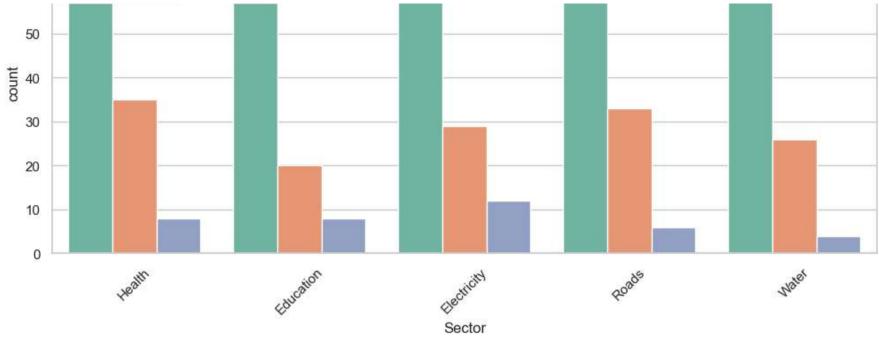


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In [24]:
    # Project status by region
    plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
    sns.countplot(x="Region", hue="Project_Status", data=df, palette="Set2")
    plt.title("Project Status by Region")
    plt.xticks(rotation=45)
    plt.show()
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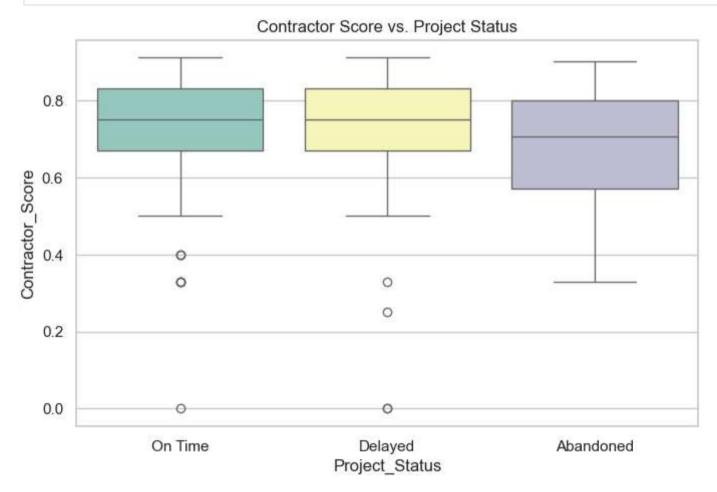


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In [25]: # Project status by sector
plt.figure(figsize=(12,5))
sns.countplot(x="Sector", hue="Project_Status", data=df, palette="Set2")
plt.title("Project Status by Sector")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
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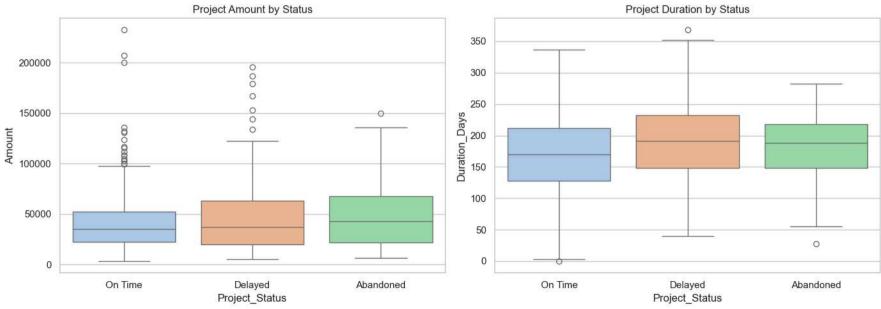


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In [26]: # Relationship between contractor score and project status
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
    sns.boxplot(x="Project_Status", y="Contractor_Score", data=df, palette="Set3")
    plt.title("Contractor Score vs. Project Status")
    plt.show()
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In [27]: # Budget and duration by status
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(14, 5))
sns.boxplot(x="Project_Status", y="Amount", data=df, ax=axes[0], palette="pastel")
axes[0].set_title("Project Amount by Status")

sns.boxplot(x="Project_Status", y="Duration_Days", data=df, ax=axes[1], palette="pastel")
axes[1].set_title("Project Duration by Status")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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K Feature Engineering & Target Encoding

We convert the target variable Project_Status into a binary classification:

- High_Risk = 1 if Delayed or Abandoned
- High_Risk = 0 if On Time

We'll also:

- Drop unnecessary columns
- Use pipelines to handle categorical encoding and scaling

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In [28]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

# Binary target
df["High_Risk"] = df["Project_Status"].apply(lambda x: 1 if x in ["Delayed", "Abandoned"] else 0)

# Features and target
X = df.drop(columns=["Project_Status", "High_Risk"])
y = df["High_Risk"]

# Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=y)
X_train.head()
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Out[28]:
                                   Sector Contractor_ID Contractor_Completed Contractor_Abandoned Contractor_Score Amount Duration_I
                  LGA Region
                         North
                                                   C001
          113 Owerri
                                 Electricity
                                                                                                                    0.67 72624.13
                          West
                         North
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                                                                                                                    0.83 43930.60
          204
                 llorin
                                 Electricity
                          West
                         South
          454 Nsukka
                                    Water
                                                   C020
                                                                             6
                                                                                                                    0.71 79598.07
                          West
                         South
                                Education
                                                   C016
           66 Nsukka
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                                                                                                                    0.57 66980.73
                           East
                         South
                Owerri
                                    Water
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                                                                                                                    0.78 64858.85
                           East
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In [29]:
          from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
          from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
          from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder, StandardScaler
          from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
          from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, confusion_matrix, accuracy_score
          # Categorical and numerical columns
          categorical_features = ["LGA", "Region", "Sector", "Contractor_ID"]
          numeric_features = ["Contractor_Completed", "Contractor_Abandoned", "Contractor_Score", "Amount", "Duration_Days"]
          # Preprocessing pipeline
          preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(transformers=[
              ("cat", OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown="ignore"), categorical_features),
              ("num", StandardScaler(), numeric_features)
          ])
          # Full pipeline with Random Forest
          rf_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
              ("preprocessor", preprocessor),
              ("classifier", RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42))
          ])
          # Train model
          rf_pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predict
          y_pred_rf = rf_pipeline.predict(X_test)
          # Evaluate
          print("Accuracy:", accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_rf))
          print("Confusion Matrix:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf))
          print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred_rf))
        Accuracy: 0.58
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Confusion Matrix:
[[55 9]
[33 3]]
Classification Report:
                             recall f1-score
               precision
                                                support
           0
                                        0.72
                   0.62
                             0.86
                                                    64
                   0.25
                              0.08
                                        0.12
                                                    36
           1
                                        0.58
                                                   100
    accuracy
   macro avg
                   0.44
                              0.47
                                        0.42
                                                   100
                   0.49
                              0.58
                                        0.51
                                                   100
weighted avg
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In [31]:
          from xgboost import XGBClassifier
          # XGBoost pipeline
          xgb_pipeline = Pipeline(steps=[
               ("preprocessor", preprocessor),
("classifier", XGBClassifier(use_label_encoder=False, eval_metric='logloss', random_state=42))
          ])
          # Train model
          xgb_pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predict
          y_pred_xgb = xgb_pipeline.predict(X_test)
          # Evaluate
          print("Accuracy:", accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_xgb))
          print("Confusion Matrix:\n", confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_xgb))
          print("Classification Report:\n", classification_report(y_test, y_pred_xgb))
        Accuracy: 0.54
        Confusion Matrix:
         [[48 16]
         [30 6]]
        Classification Report:
                        precision
                                     recall f1-score
                                                         support
                   0
                            0.62
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            accuracy
                            0.44
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           macro avg
                                                0.44
        weighted avg
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In [32]:
          import joblib
          # Save Random Forest model pipeline
          joblib.dump(rf_pipeline, "rf_project_risk_model.pkl")
          # Save XGBoost model pipeline
          joblib.dump(xgb_pipeline, "xgb_project_risk_model.pkl")
Out[32]: ['xgb_project_risk_model.pkl']
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