CAPSTONE PROJECT

AUTOMATED ELIGIBILITY PREDICTION FOR NSAP SCHEMES USING MACHINE LEARNING

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PROBLEM STATEMENT

The National Social Assistance Program (NSAP) is a welfare initiative that provides financial support to the elderly, widows, and persons with disabilities from BPL households. However, manually identifying eligibility for different schemes under NSAP is time-consuming, error-prone, and often leads to incorrect or delayed distribution of benefits. This project addresses the need to automate the eligibility classification process to ensure efficient, accurate, and timely allocation of financial aid.



PROPOSED SOLUTION

Proposed Solution:

 The proposed system aims to address the challenge of accurately and efficiently predicting the most appropriate NSAP scheme for an applicant using demographic and socio-economic data. This solution leverages machine learning techniques to classify applicants into eligible scheme categories and eliminates the need for manual verification.

Data Collection:

- Utilize the AI Kosh dataset containing district-wise records of NSAP beneficiaries, including total beneficiaries, gender-wise counts, caste categories,
 Aadhaar coverage, and mobile number availability.
- Gather structured data that reflects socio-economic status and demographic characteristics to serve as features for classification.

Data Preprocessing:

- Clean the dataset by handling missing values and inconsistencies.
- Perform normalization or scaling where necessary.
- Conduct feature engineering to derive relevant features (e.g., SC/ST/OBC proportions, gender ratio) that may influence scheme eligibility.

Machine Learning Algorithm:

- Implement a multi-class classification model, where the target variable is the schemecode (e.g., IGNOAPS, IGNDPS, IGNWPS).
- Apply hyperparameter optimization and cross-validation to enhance model accuracy and generalization.



Deployment:

- Deploy the best-performing model as a REST API using IBM Watsonx.ai and IBM Cloud Lite.
- Allow real-time or batch processing of new applicant data through JSON or CSV input formats.
- Enable government agencies to integrate this model for seamless eligibility verification.
- Visual dashboards and predictions deployed on IBM Cloud for practical use and demonstration.

Evaluation:

- Evaluate the model using cross-validation accuracy, confusion matrix, and prediction confidence metrics.
- Monitor prediction confidence and retrain periodically with updated datasets for improved accuracy.

Result:

- Achieved a high classification accuracy of 98.4% with the Snap Random Forest Classifier.
- Successfully predicted scheme eligibility for multiple test cases with 90–100% confidence.



SYSTEM APPROACH

The "System Approach" section outlines the overall strategy and methodology for developing and implementing the rental bike prediction system. Here's a suggested structure for this section:

- System requirements:
 - ✓ A Laptop or System with Proper Internet Connection
 - ✓ IBM Cloud(mandatory)
 - ✓ IBM Watson studio for model development and Deployment
 - ✓ IBM Cloud object storage for Dataset Handling
 - ✓ Dataset: Al Kosh District-wise pension data under NSAP
- Process Flow:
 - ✓ Data ingestion & preprocessing
 - ✓ Model training using AutoAl pipelines
 - √ Hyperparameter optimization and model selection
 - ✓ Deployment as a REST API on IBM Cloud



ALGORITHM & DEPLOYMENT

Algorithm Selection:

The project uses a Snap Random Forest Classifier, automatically selected by IBM AutoAI for its high accuracy (98.4%) in multi-class classification. It's ideal for structured tabular data and suitable for predicting NSAP scheme codes.

Data Input:

Key features include:

totalmale, totalfemale, totaltransgender, totalsc, totalst, totalobc, totalgen, totalaadhaar, totalmobilenumber, and optionally statename, districtname, and finyear.

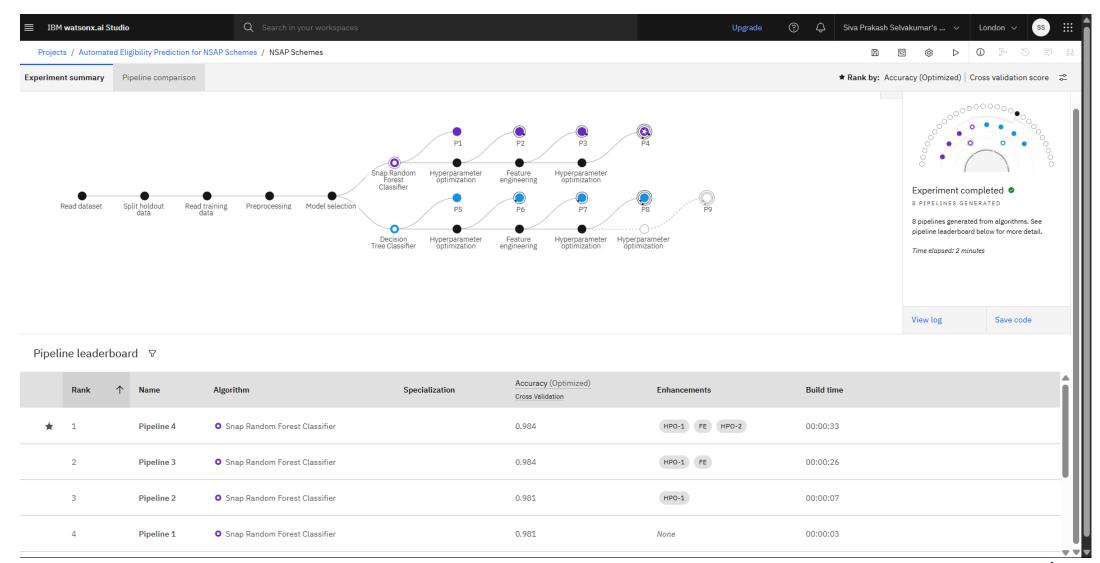
Training Process:

IBM AutoAI handled data preprocessing, feature engineering, and generated multiple pipelines. Cross-validation and hyperparameter tuning were used to select the most accurate model.

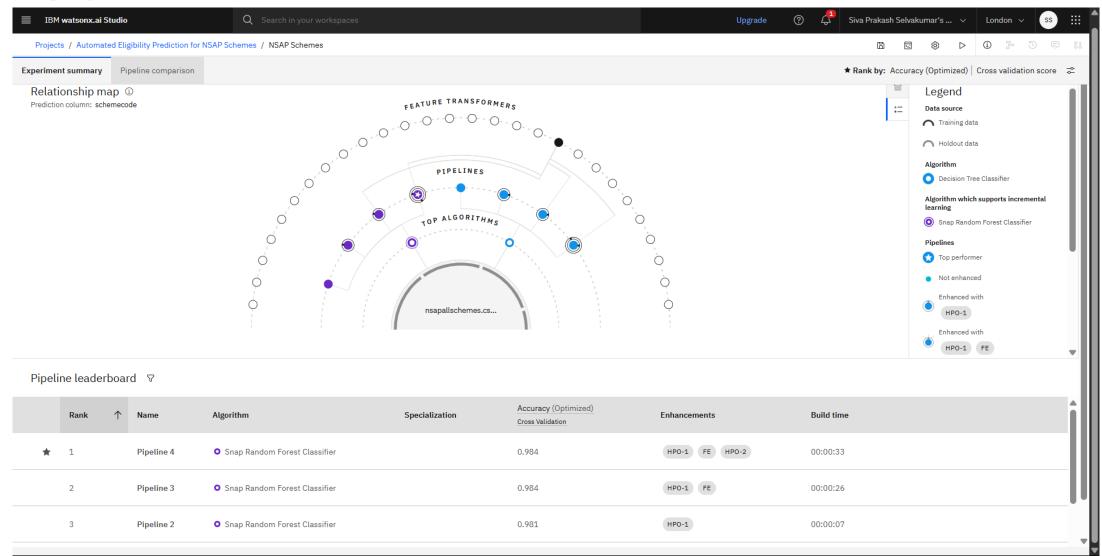
Prediction Process:

The final model is deployed as a REST API on IBM Cloud. It accepts new applicant data (CSV/JSON), processes the input, and returns the predicted NSAP scheme with confidence levels.

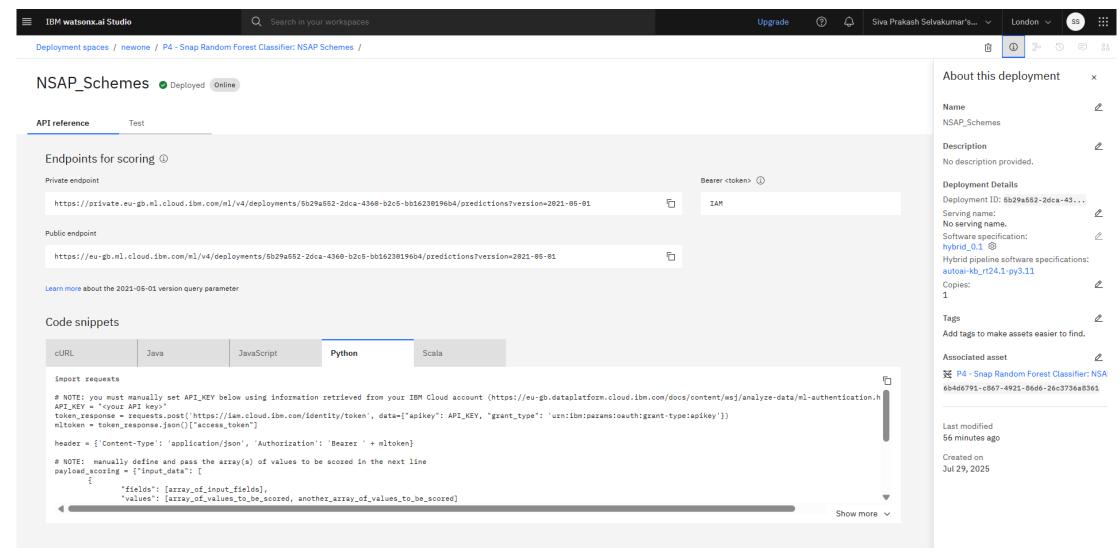




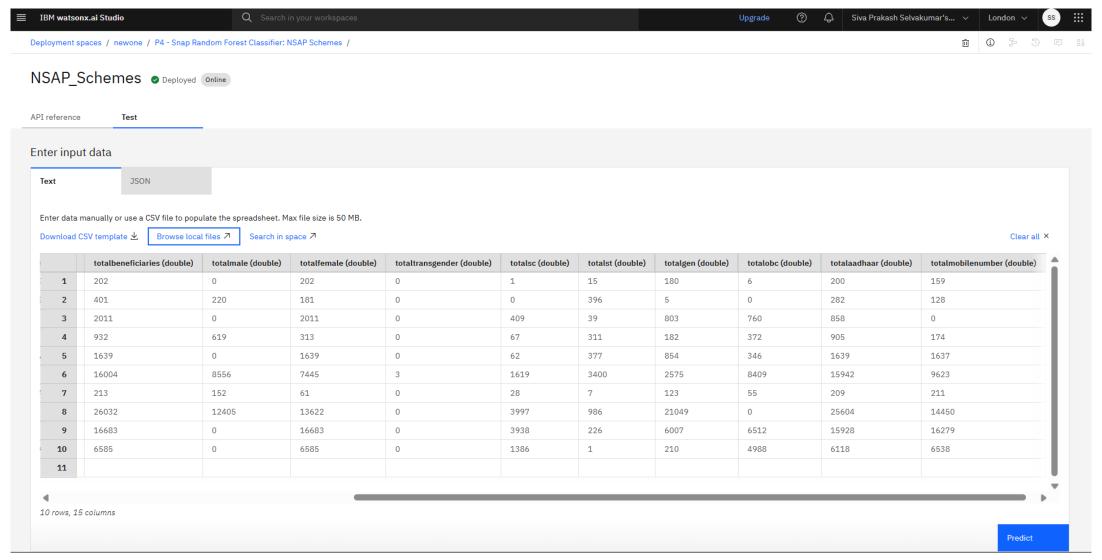




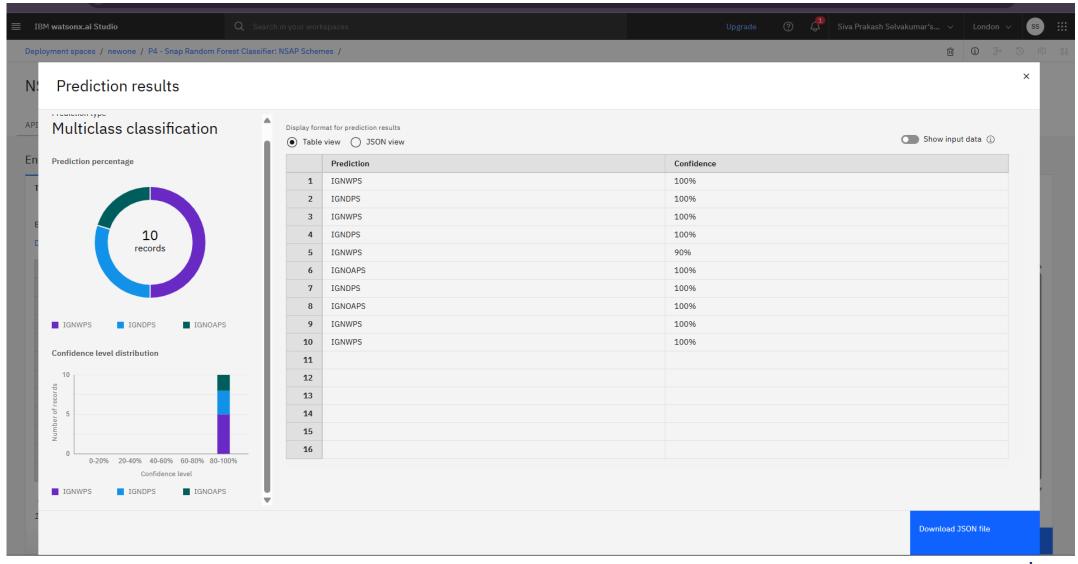














CONCLUSION

- Model Performance: Snap Random Forest achieved 98.4% accuracy, proving effective for NSAP scheme prediction.
- **Deployment:** Model deployed on **IBM Watsonx.ai Studio** with a REST API for real-time, government-ready integration.
- Challenges:
 - Cleaning uneven demographic data
 - Handling class imbalance
 - Selecting effective features
- Solutions:
 - Used AutoAl for feature engineering and model tuning
 - Applied cross-validation for robust pipeline selection
- Improvements:
 - Add features like income, education, disability
 - Implement fairness checks
 - Schedule regular model updates
- Impact:
 - Speeds up and improves accuracy of benefit allocation
 - Reduces manual errors
 - Supports transparent and efficient welfare delivery



FUTURE SCOPE

- Include additional attributes like income level, education, or disability status for improved accuracy
- Integrate with live application portals for real-time eligibility checking
- Expand to other government welfare schemes (e.g., PMAY, Ujjwala Yojana)
- Incorporate fairness checks to ensure no bias in classification



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