

# Two-Wheeler Loan Application Evaluation Report

## 1. Introduction

The objective of this project is to predict whether a two-wheeler loan application will be accepted or rejected based on the applicant's data. Using a labeled dataset containing historical loan application outcomes, I trained machine learning models to make predictions on new, unlabeled data.

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## 2. Approach Taken

### i. Data Preparation:

- **Data Loading:** The datasets `Assignment_Train.csv` and `Assignment_Test.csv` were loaded.
- **Data Cleaning:** Unnecessary columns were dropped, and missing values were handled using imputation strategies:
  - **Numerical Columns:** Imputed with median values.
  - **Categorical Columns:** Imputed with the most frequent value.
- **Feature Encoding:** Categorical features were one-hot encoded to prepare the data for machine learning algorithms.
- **Feature Scaling:** The features were standardized using `StandardScaler`.

### ii. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

- **Approval Rates by Branch State:** Analyzed the approval rates for each branch state, which revealed variability in approval rates across different states.
- **Distribution of Application Status:** Analyzed the distribution of loan approvals and declines, highlighting a higher number of approved applications.
- **Age Distribution:** Visualized the age distribution for approved versus declined loans.
- **Marital Status Analysis:** Examined the relationship between marital status and loan approval status.

### iii. Model Training and Evaluation:

- **Model Selection:** Used `RandomForestClassifier` for its robustness and ability to handle complex data.
- **Model Training:** The model was trained using 80% of the data, and performance was evaluated on a validation set (20% of the data).
- **Model Evaluation:** Performance metrics were calculated using accuracy and classification report metrics.

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### iv. Prediction and Submission:

- **Prediction on Test Data:** The trained model was used to predict loan approvals on the test dataset.
  - **Submission Preparation:** Created a submission file containing predictions for the test dataset.
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### 3. Insights and Conclusions

- **Approval Rates by Branch State:** Approval rates vary significantly by branch state, with some states like Himachal Pradesh showing higher approval rates compared to states like West Bengal.
  - **Application Status Distribution:** There were more approved applications (6677) compared to declined applications (3323), indicating a generally favorable approval rate.
  - **Age Distribution:** The age distribution analysis showed variations in approval rates across different age groups.
  - **Marital Status:** Marital status showed a strong correlation with loan approval, with married and single individuals both having high approval rates.
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### 4. Performance on Train Data Set

- **Validation Accuracy:** 0.849 (84.9%)
  - **Classification Report Metrics:**
    - **Precision:**
      - **Declined:** 0.96
      - **Approved:** 0.71
    - **Recall:**
      - **Declined:** 0.81
      - **Approved:** 0.93
    - **F1-Score:**
      - **Declined:** 0.88
      - **Approved:** 0.81
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### 5. Use of Appropriate Metrics

- **Accuracy:** Provides a measure of overall correctness of the model.
- **Precision:** Indicates the correctness of positive predictions, important for understanding false positives.
- **Recall:** Reflects the model's ability to identify all relevant cases (approved/declined).
- **F1-Score:** Balances precision and recall, providing a single metric for model performance evaluation.

These metrics indicate that the model performs well in both predicting approved and declined applications.

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