1. **Overview of the analysis:** The purpose of this analysis is to predict whether or not applicants for funding will be successful

2. Results:

Data Preprocessing

a. What variable(s) are considered the target(s) for your model?

The IS_SUCCESSFUL column in the classification_numeric dataframe that converted all the categorical to numeric values

- b. What variable(s) are considered to be the features for your model?
 - i. APPLICATION TYPE—Alphabet Soup application type
 - ii. AFFILIATION—Affiliated sector of industry
 - iii. CLASSIFICATION—Government organization classification
 - iv. USE CASE—Use case for funding
 - v. ORGANIZATION—Organization type
 - vi. STATUS—Active status
 - vii. INCOME AMT—Income classification
 - viii. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS—Special consideration for application
 - ix. ASK AMT—Funding amount requested
- c. What variable(s) are neither targets nor features, and should be removed from the input data?
 - EIN and NAME
- d. How many neurons, layers, and activation functions did you select for your neural network model, and why?
 - i. Number of Neurons:

```
# number of layer1 neurons = 2*(number of inputs=43) = 86 \sim 80
hidden_nodes_layer1 = 80
# number of layer2 neurons: Between (input=80) and (output=1 - classifier)
hidden nodes layer2 = 30
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- ii. We had 3 hidden layers: first hidden layer, second hidden layer, and output layers
- iii. Activation function was Sigmoid. Hidden layers activation function was Relu.

```
# 1st Hidden Layer: 3520 params = [43 inputs (from input
layer) * 80 neurons] + (80 bias terms)
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# 2nd Hidden Layer: 2430 params = [80 inputs (from 1st hidden
layer) * 30 neurons] + (30 bias terms)
# Output Layer: 31 params = [30 inputs (from 2nd hidden layer)
* 1 neuron] + (1 bias term)

Total params: 6,141
Trainable params: 6,141
Non-trainable params: 0
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e. Were you able to achieve the target model performance?

Yes I was close to 75% accuracy

f. What steps did you take to try and increase model performance?

To increase model performance I decreased the

```
application_counts[application_counts < 68 and
classification_counts[classification_counts < 290
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Summary: Summarize the overall results of the deep learning model. Include a recommendation for how a different model could solve this classification problem, and explain your recommendation.

- Results Summary:
 - Good results → 72-73% accuracy in predict whether or not applicants for funding will be successful
- **Recommendation:** A Different model like Decision Tree Classifier, Random Forest, or Logistic Regression = all are binary classification
 - All offer a simpler approach to classify the data
 - Perform just as well as this neural network
 - All have about 72% accuracy