

Predictive Model Plan – Student Template

1. Model Logic (Generated with GenAI)

GenAI Tool Used: ChatGPT

Model Logic / Structure

The objective of this model is to **predict whether a customer is likely to become delinquent (Yes/No)** based on historical loan and repayment data.

Step-by-Step Model Logic:

1. Load the customer delinquency dataset.
2. Identify the target variable:
 - a. **Delinquent_Flag (Yes / No)**
3. Select important input features:
 - a. Days Past Due (DPD)
 - b. Number of missed EMIs
 - c. Loan amount
 - d. EMI amount
 - e. Income
 - f. Employment status
 - g. Loan tenure and interest rate
4. Clean the data by handling missing values and ensuring correct data types.
5. Split the dataset into training and testing sets.
6. Apply **Logistic Regression** to learn patterns between customer behavior and delinquency.
7. Generate predictions indicating **high risk or low risk** of delinquency for each customer.

Model Purpose (Simple Explanation):

The model analyzes past customer behavior and loan details to estimate the **probability of future delinquency**, enabling early risk identification and proactive intervention.

2. Justification for Model Choice

The selected model for delinquency prediction is **Logistic Regression**.

Reasons for Selection:

- **Accuracy:**
Logistic Regression performs well for binary classification problems such as delinquent vs non-delinquent customers.

- **Transparency & Explainability:**
The model clearly shows how each variable (DPD, missed EMIs, income, etc.) impacts delinquency risk, which is critical for financial decision-making.
- **Ease of Implementation:**
It is simple to implement, maintain, and explain to non-technical stakeholders.
- **Relevance for Financial Prediction:**
*Logistic Regression is widely used in **credit risk and default prediction** across banking and financial institutions.*
- **Suitability for Geldium's Business Needs:**
Geldium requires an interpretable, reliable, and regulator-friendly model to support fair customer treatment and proactive collection strategies.

3. Evaluation Strategy

Performance Metrics Used:

- **Accuracy:**
Measures overall correctness of predictions.
- **Precision:**
Indicates how many predicted delinquent customers were actually delinquent.
- **Recall:**
Measures how well the model identifies actual delinquent customers (very important for risk prevention).
- **F1 Score:**
Balances precision and recall, especially useful if delinquent cases are fewer.
- **ROC-AUC Score:**
Evaluates the model's ability to distinguish between delinquent and non-delinquent customers.

Interpretation of Metrics:

- *High recall ensures fewer risky customers are missed.*
- *A good AUC score indicates strong separation between high-risk and low-risk customers.*
- *Balanced precision avoids unnecessary intervention on low-risk customers.*

Bias Detection & Reduction:

- *Avoid over-reliance on sensitive attributes such as gender or location.*
- *Monitor prediction outcomes across different customer groups.*
- *Regularly validate the model to ensure fair treatment.*

Ethical Considerations:

- *Predictions should support **early assistance**, not customer discrimination.*

- *Model decisions must be explainable and transparent.*
- *Customer data privacy and responsible AI usage must be strictly followed.*