#### **Section A: Theoretical Questions**

These topics are focused on fundamental machine learning concepts and algorithms.

### 1. Evaluation Metrics & Performance Measurement

- o Precision, Recall, and F1 Score (Definition, Formula, Calculation)
- Confusion Matrix (All derived metrics)
- o ROC Curve (Explanation and Interpretation)
- Cohen's Kappa Value (Interpretation)
- Bias and Variance Tradeoff

### 2. Supervised Learning Algorithms

- Decision Tree (Working, Advantages, Disadvantages, Comparison with Random Forest)
- Random Forest (Working, Advantages, Disadvantages)
- Logistic Regression (Assumptions)
- Naive Bayes (Assumptions)
- K-Nearest Neighbors (Explanation with an example)
- Stacking Classifier (Explanation and Advantages)

### 3. Ensemble Learning Techniques

- Bagging vs. Boosting (Differences)
- o AdaBoost & Gradient Boosting (Differences and Advantages)
- Ensemble Learning (Concept and Explanation)

# Section B: Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) and Data Preprocessing

This section focuses on handling datasets, checking for defects, and making data ready for modeling.

### 1. Data Understanding

- Reading datasets and summarizing observations
- o Identifying numerical and categorical variables
- Five-point summary for numerical variables
- o Descriptive statistics for categorical variables

### 2. Handling Data Issues

- Identifying and fixing missing values
- o Detecting and handling outliers using Z-score and plots

- Checking and addressing class imbalance in the target variable
- o Identifying textual data and converting it appropriately (Encoding)

### 3. Feature Engineering & Data Transformation

- o Encoding categorical features (One-hot encoding, Label encoding)
- o Correlation analysis and feature selection
- o Creating additional features if required
- Removing unnecessary features

## 4. Train-Test Split

Splitting data into training and testing sets (70:30 split)

# Section C: Model Building, Tuning & Evaluation

This section covers model selection, performance improvement, and business interpretation.

### 1. Building a Base Model

- o Choosing an initial model and explaining the choice
- o Calculating and interpreting Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1 Score
- o Evaluating feature importance
- o Interpreting Cohen's Kappa Value

### 2. Model Improvement Strategies

- o Changes made to improve accuracy
- Hyperparameter tuning (Using GridSearchCV)
- o Evaluating feature impact on model performance
- o Transforming features for better performance

### 3. Final Model Evaluation

- o Comparing performance before and after improvements
- Evaluating F1 Score and ROC Score for the final model
- o Business interpretation of results (Which features impact predictions)
- Discussing risks and limitations of the model