**Assignment 7** 

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### **Statement**

In this assignment, the goal is to: a) Apply a **Decision Tree Classifier** to predict student admission based on GRE scores and academic achievements.

- b) Preprocess the data by managing missing values, encoding categorical variables, and normalizing if needed.
- c) Split the dataset into training and test sets for training and evaluation.
- d) Assess the classifier's performance using **accuracy**, **confusion matrix**, **precision**, **recall**, and **F1-score**.
- e) Visualize the dataset and model results using histograms, scatter plots, and a decision tree diagram.

# Objective

- 1. Learn preprocessing techniques for classification problems.
- 2. Build and evaluate a Decision Tree Classifier using Scikit-Learn.
- 3. Interpret model results using standard classification metrics.
- 4. Visualize data features and relationships to support analysis.

### **Resources Used**

• Software: Visual Studio Code

• Libraries: Pandas, Seaborn, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn

#### **Introduction to Classification**

Classification is a supervised machine learning method used to assign labels to data based on input features. The **Decision Tree Classifier** models decisions in a tree-like structure by splitting features based on specific thresholds. It is easy to interpret and works well on structured datasets like student admission records.

#### **Functions and Methods Utilized**

- 1. pd.read\_csv() Load data into a Pandas DataFrame.
- 2. .dropna() / .fillna() Handle missing data using suitable imputation methods.
- 3. train\_test\_split() Divide data for training and testing.

- 4. DecisionTreeClassifier() Create the decision tree model.
- 5. accuracy\_score(), confusion\_matrix(), classification\_report() Evaluate classifier performance.

# Methodology

### 1. Data Collection and Exploration

- Loaded the **Graduate Admissions** dataset using Pandas.
- Explored data types, checked for missing values, and examined basic structure.

## 2. Data Preprocessing

- Imputed missing values using median or mean strategies.
- Converted the target column "Chance of Admit" into a binary variable:
  - 1 if chance  $\geq$  0.5
  - o 0 if chance < 0.5
- Selected relevant features such as GRE Score and CGPA.
- Normalized features if necessary for consistency.

### 3. Summary Statistics

- Used .describe() and NumPy functions to obtain:
  - o Mean, median, max, min
  - o Standard deviation, variance, and percentiles

### 4. Data Visualization

- Plotted histograms using sns.histplot() to visualize individual feature distributions.
- Used scatter plots to observe correlations between GRE scores and CGPA.

### 5. Model Training and Evaluation

- Split dataset using train test split() with 80% for training and 20% for testing.
- Trained a **Decision Tree Classifier**.
- Predicted test results and evaluated performance with:
  - Accuracy Score
  - Confusion Matrix
  - Precision, Recall, and F1-score using classification\_report()
- Plotted the decision tree for interpretation.

## **Advantages**

- Pandas allows easy manipulation of datasets.
- Decision Trees are intuitive and interpretable.
- Visualization helps in understanding data trends.
- Classification metrics provide detailed performance insights.

## Disadvantages

- Larger datasets may consume significant memory.
- Decision Trees can overfit on training data without pruning.
- Class imbalance can negatively affect model performance.

#### Conclusion

This assignment illustrated how a **Decision Tree Classifier** can be used to predict student admission chances using academic performance data. The process involved data cleaning, transformation, model training, and detailed performance evaluation. Libraries like Pandas, Seaborn, and Scikit-Learn streamlined both analysis and visualization, enhancing understanding of the classification process.