Predicting Absenteeism time of employees
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All the data, graphs, charts, and results generated in the project are coded either using python jupyter or R Studio.
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# **Chapter 1: Introduction**

### 1.1 PROBLEM STATEMENT:

XYZ is a courier company. As we appreciate that human capital plays an important role in collection, transportation and delivery. The company is passing through genuine issue of Absenteeism. The company has shared its dataset and has requested to have an answer on the following areas:

- 1. What changes company should bring to reduce the number of absenteeism?
- 2. How much loss every month can we project in 2011 if same trend of absenteeism continues?

#### 1.2 OVERVIEW OF THE DATASET:

	ID	Reason for absence	Month of absence	Day of the week	Seasons	Transportation expense	Distance from Residence to Work	Service time	Age	Work load Average/day	Hit target
1	11	26.0	7.0	3	1	289.0	36.0	13.0	33.0	239554.0	97.0
2 3	36	0.0	7.0	3	1	118.0	13.0	18.0	50.0	239554.0	97.0
3	3	23.0	7.0	4	1	179.0	51.0	18.0	38.0	239554.0	97.0
4	7	7.0	7.0	5	1	279.0	5.0	14.0	39.0	239554.0	97.0
5	11	23.0	7.0	5	1	289.0	36.0	13.0	33.0	239554.0	97.0

Fig: 1.1 Columns 1to 11 of the dataset

Disciplinary failure	Education	Son	Social drinker	Social smoker	Pet	Weight	Height	Body mass index	Absenteeism time in hours
0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	90.0	172.0	30.0	4.0
1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	98.0	178.0	31.0	0.0
0.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	89.0	170.0	31.0	2.0
0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	68.0	168.0	24.0	4.0
0.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	90.0	172.0	30.0	2.0

Fig 1.2 Columns 11 to 21 of the dataset

As we can see, there are 8 categorical variables and 12 numeric variables. The dependent variable or the target variable is Absenteeism time in hours, i.e. the number of hours employees remaining absent.

## The details of data attributes in the dataset are as follows -

- 1. Individual identification (ID)
- 2. Reason for absence (ICD).

Absences attested by the International Code of Diseases (ICD) stratified into 21 categories (I to XXI) as follows:

I Certain infectious and parasitic diseases

II Neoplasms

III Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism

IV Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases

V Mental and behavioural disorders

VI Diseases of the nervous system

VII Diseases of the eye and adnexa

VIII Diseases of the ear and mastoid process

IX Diseases of the circulatory system

X Diseases of the respiratory system

XI Diseases of the digestive system

XII Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue

XIII Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue

XIV Diseases of the genitourinary system

XV Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium

XVI Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period

XVII Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities

XVIII Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified

XIX Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes

XX External causes of morbidity and mortality

XXI Factors influencing health status and contact with health services.

And 7 categories without (CID) patient follow-up (22), medical consultation (23), blood donation (24), laboratory examination (25), unjustified absence (26), physiotherapy (27), dental consultation (28).

- 3. Month of absence
- 4. Day of the week (Monday (2), Tuesday (3), Wednesday (4), Thursday (5), Friday (6))
- 5. Seasons (summer (1), autumn (2), winter (3), spring (4))
- 6. Transportation expense
- 7. Distance from Residence to Work (kilometers)
- 8. Service time
- 9. Age
- 10. Work load Average/day
- 11. Hit target
- 12. Disciplinary failure (yes=1; no=0)
- 13. Education (high school (1), graduate (2), postgraduate (3), master and doctor (4))
- 14. Son (number of children)
- 15. Social drinker (yes=1; no=0)
- 16. Social smoker (yes=1; no=0)
- 17. Pet (number of pet)
- 18. Weight
- 19. Height
- 20. Body mass index
- 21. Absenteeism time in hours (target)

# **Chapter 2: Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

## 2.1 Missing Value Analysis:



Fig: 2.1 Missing values in variables of the raw dataset

Fig 2.1 shows the missing values in variables of the raw dataset, mostly the missing values are less than 10 in all variables except Height, Body mass index, and Absenteeism time.

Few insights on the missing values:

- 1] Taking all the rows containing one or more than one NA came out to be 101. Thus, although there were 145 missing values in total, number of rows came out to be 101 because some rows had more than 1 NA.
- 2] Dropping more than 100 rows in an 800+ rows dataset was not feasible, so performed

correlation analysis beforehand to check multi collinearity. The result showed Body mass index was redundant variable which had the most missing values, so dropped it before any imputation task. Now, it was fine to drop all NAs since BMI had gone, and there were no missing values in absenteeism time in hours as this was our target variable and all NAs were deleted from it, because it is not good to impute values in target variable as advised, this ultimately made us left with only few missing values in 20s. Although this was an option, but all the proceedings are done by imputing other variables and dropping BMI and missing rows of target variable.

**NOTE**: The imputation of missing values was done through KNN in Python, and through MICE in R.

#### 2.2 Visualization of the data:

We cannot undermine the fact that, though simple, barplots present the best and swiftest results in getting us the feel of dataset. Thus, will be seeing important variables' plots, mostly with our target variable. The result of graphs can change to an extent that it can lead to changes in answer if we use imputed/processed dataset for plotting graphs.

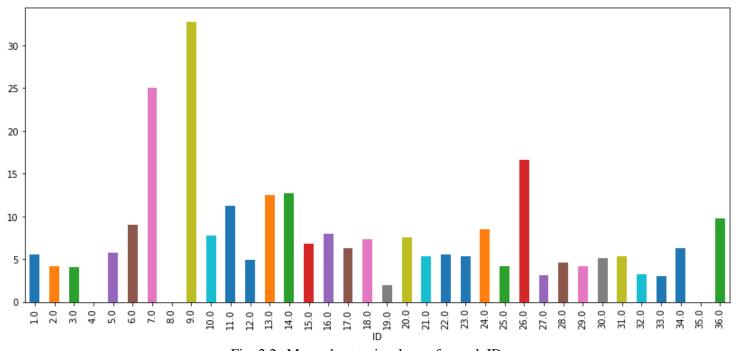


Fig: 2.2a Mean absenteeism hours for each ID

The figure 2.2a shows the mean of hours that persons with ID following from 1 to 36

were absent for the whole period. It shows that person with ID: 9 and 7 had the most number of hours remaining as absent, while ID:4, 8, 35 had the least or Zero number of hours of absenteeism.

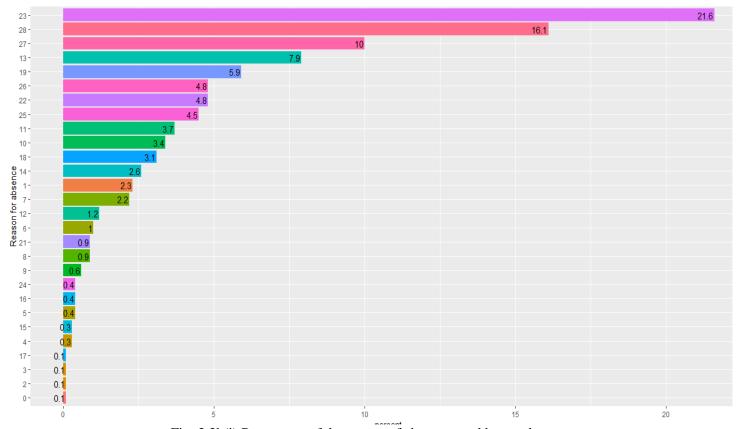


Fig: 2.2b(i) Percentage of the reason of absence used by employees

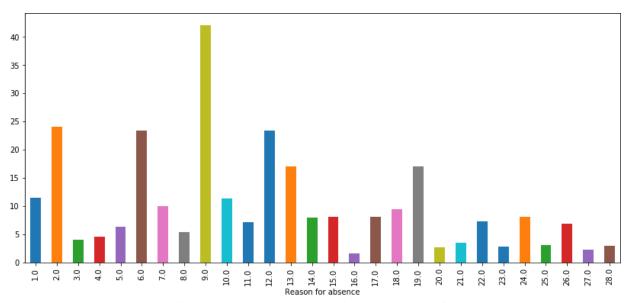


Fig: 2.2b(ii) Mean absenteeism hours for each reason of absence

Fig 2.2a(i) shows the distribution of reason of absence in percentages used by employees over the whole period. It shows that reason 23(medical consultation) is the most prominent reason amongst all, as it is the most evident reason and the most generic one, apart from this 4.8 percent of employees haven't stated their reason of absenteeism which is reason 26(unjustified absence). The least reason stated by employees for being absent are 3 (Diseases of the blood and bloodforming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism), 2(Neoplasms) etc. these reasons are also anyhow very uncommon to see in our daily life. Note that, there is 0.1 percent of reason of absence number 0, which should not have been there was removed later, thus by careful scrutinization of each and every variable, all the rows of all variables were imputed which had absurd values.

Fig 2.2b(ii) shows the mean of number of hours that employees have been absent for particular reason. It shows that reason 9(Diseases of the circulatory system) has the most longing effect on the number of hours of absenteeism on employees, and the least ones were 16 (Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period), 21(External causes of morbidity and mortality) etc.

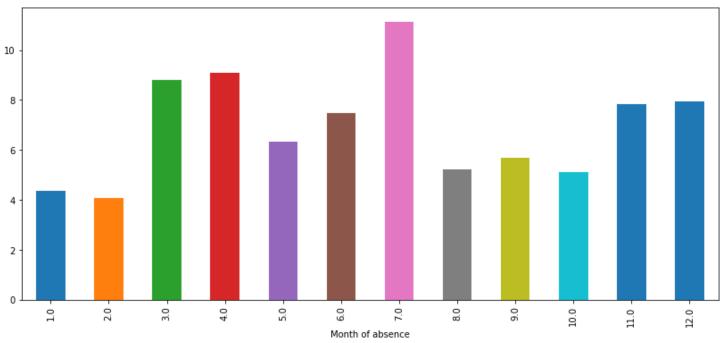


Fig: 2.2c Mean absenteeism hours for each Month of absence

Fig 2.2c shows the mean of absenteeism hours spread over months. It suggests that most number of skipping of hours is seen in the month of July followed by march and so on, and the least being in January.

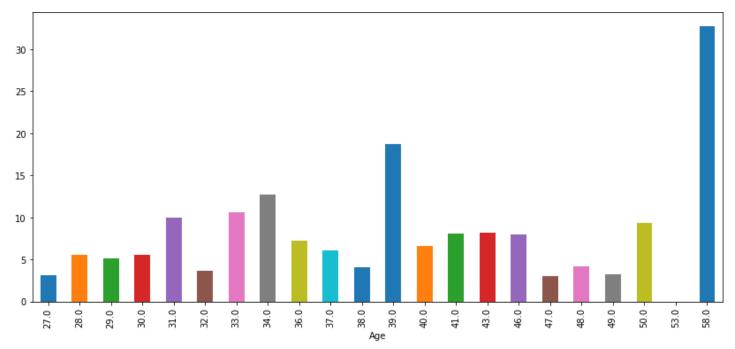


Fig: 2.2d Mean absenteeism hours for each Age Value

Fig 2.2d shows the mean of absenteeism hours spread over different Aged people. It suggests that most number of skipping of hours is seen in elderly people, while the youngest lot seems good in remaining present.

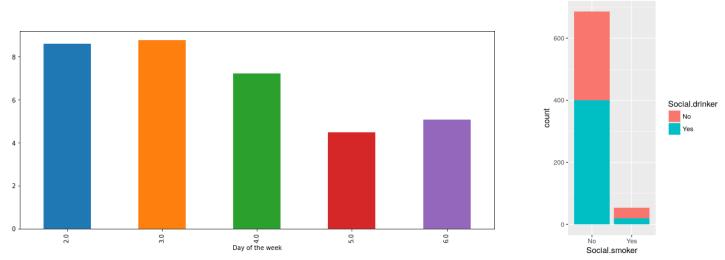


Fig: 2.2e Mean absenteeism hours for each reason of absence

Fig: 2.2f shows the count of instances of smoking and drinking

Fig 2.2e shows that Monday and Tuesday had the most amount of absenteeism hours, while

Thursday, middle day of the week, had the least hours of absenteeism.

Fig 2.2f shows that around 50% of people are social drinkers, while very less percentage of people ~10% are social smoker.

#### 2.3 Feature Selection

For selecting the feature and understanding the inter-relationships between the variables, we performed three tests.

#### 2.3.1 Correlation analysis:

Fig: 2.3a shows the correlation analysis table where we can deduce that Body Mass Index and Weight are highly correlated, also service time and age are somewhat positively correlated. The variable that gets dropped is Body Mass index, since it had the most number of missing values, thus helping us in reducing the pain of filling artificial data.

#### **Correlation Plot**

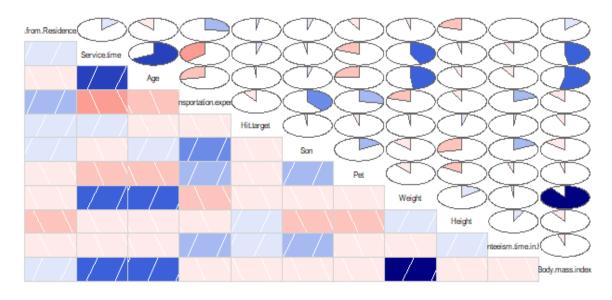


Fig: 2.3a Correlation analysis table heatmap

#### 2.3.2 VIF:

VIF helps in quantifying the extent of correlation between one predictor and the other predictors in a model. It helps not only in determining collinearity with one variable, but helps in making out correlation of one variable with more than one variable.

Transportation expense 1.597151 Work load Avera Hit target 1.043096 Transportation Son 1.255561 Hit target Pet 1.580640 Son Weight 157.814366 Pet Height 28.786233 Weight Body mass index 147.832865 Height Absenteeism time in hours 1.048464 Absenteeism time	expense 1.591382 1.042957 1.251408 1.509672 1.645911 1.484519
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Fig 2.3b(i) VIF before variable selection Fig 2.3b(ii) VIF after variable selection

Fig 2.3b(i) shows the VIF values of different variables before removing Body Mass Index, notice that Weight, Height and BMI are above 10, suggesting that these three have some connection between them which cannot be seen by correlation plot. Also, BMI and weight have the most prominent connection, which can also be concluded by r value of correlation analysis between BMI and Weight. In Fig 2.3b(ii), it can be seen that when BMI is removed all the inflated variation settles down.

#### 2.3.3 Using Extra-tree Regressor:

The Extra-Tree method (extremely randomized trees method), its main objective is to further randomizing tree building in the context of input features. This method is quite similar to random forest, but unlike random forests, in Extra tree regressor splits are selected in random instead of using some criteria like in Random Forest.

Fig 2.3c shows that reason for absence, day of the week and work load are amongst the main features in deciding absenteeism, while variables like education and social smoker doesn't really helps in determining our target variable. However, we would include all the variables except BMI since the variables are less and are carrying at least some importance in determining our target variable

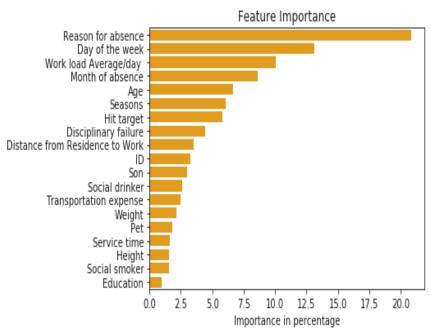


Fig 2.3c Importance of variable in percentage using Extra trees regressor

### 2.4 Outlier Analysis

Outlier detection and treatment is always a tricky part especially when our dataset is small. The box plot method detects outlier if any value is present greater than (Q3 + (1.5 \* IQR)) or less than (Q1 - (1.5 \* IQR)).

Fig 2.4a shows the boxplot of all numerical variables, showcasing us the distribution of the data across.

Fig 2.4b shows the number of outliers for each variable. Now, by seeing all the variables individually and checking the nature of outliers, it was observed that most of the outliers like height, number of pets, age etc. were feasible data, so only imputed absenteeism in hours variable by KNN and by MICE method in RStudio.

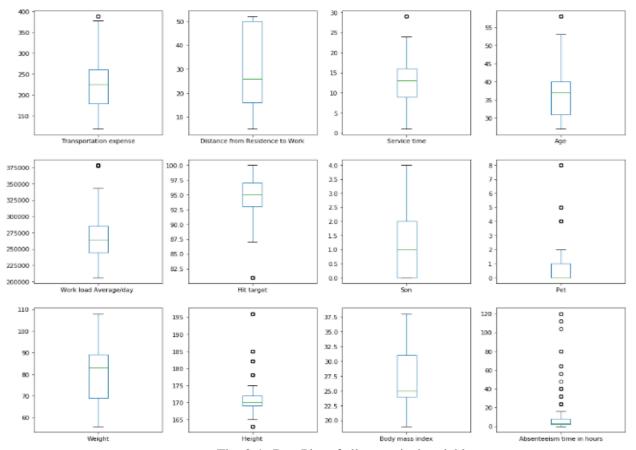


Fig: 2.4a Box Plot of all numerical variables



Fig: 2.4b Outlier data information for each variable

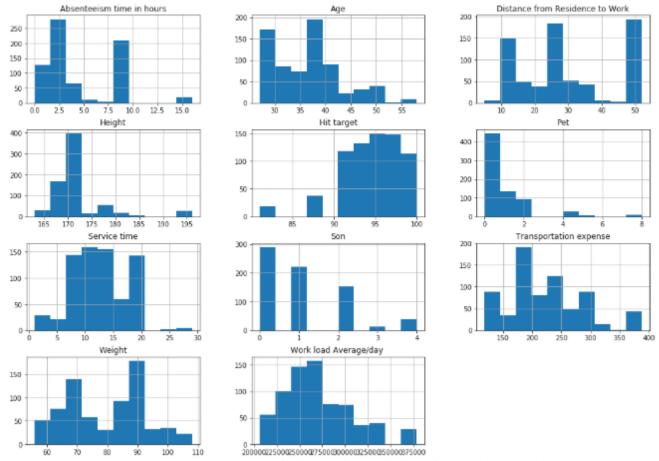


Fig: 2.4d Histograms of all numerical variables after outlier analysis

Fig. 2.4d shows the histograms plot of all numerical features suggesting that none of the variable is following normal distribution, and also by transformation the curve shape didn't change, thus going by original values only and no transformation.

### 2.5 Feature Scaling:

It was observed that many numerical variables had different ranges of value, some huge and some small, so just to stay assured that large values don't dominate our model, fature scaling was performed and all variables' values were brought in between 0 to 1 by using the below formula.

$$Value_{new} = \frac{Value - minValue}{maxValue - minValue}$$

## **Chapter 3: Model Development**

All the models were developed and tested to see their performance on data. The performance metric used was RMSE, as it is the most widely used performance metric, and helps in getting or visualizing deviations easily. Although, MAPE is also a good metric and it provides good a visual enticement to the client as it is very easy to read and work upon.

In all the models, Result-train RMSE means RMSE value obtained when the model is applied to the data from which it was created. Result-test RMSE means RMSE value obtained when the model is applied to different dataset(20%) of the bigdataset.

### 3.1 Linear Regression:

In Fig 3.1a, the summary of linear regression model is show. The adjusted R-square value(~0.79) is pretty good, and most of our data is explaining the target variable. All other parameters also seem to be pretty good from the OLS Summary table.

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The train and test RMSE are 2.32 and 3.48 respectively, which are fine, and the model is overall acceptable with good parameters' value.

OLS Regression Res	sults						
Dep. Variable:	Absenteeism tir	S	R-squa	red:	0.807		
Model:		OLS	S <b>Adj</b>	. R-squa	red:	0.784	
Method:	Lea	st Square	S	F-statis	stic:	35.06	
Date:	Fri, 28	8 Sep 201	8 Prob	(F-statis	tic): 2	2.46e-146	
Time:		20:02:1	5 <b>Log</b>	j-Likeliho	od:	-1302.1	
No. Observations:		57	4	,	AIC:	2726.	
Df Residuals:		51	3	I	BIC:	2992.	
Df Model:		6	1				
Covariance Type:		nonrobus	st				
		coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
Transport	estion ovnonco	1.3097	0.621	2.108	0.036	0.089	2.531
Transport	ation expense	1.3097	0.621	2.100	0.036	0.069	2.531
Distance from Resid	dence to Work	0.0701	0.562	0.125	0.901	-1.034	1.174
	Service time	0.1185	1.296	0.091	0.927	-2.427	2.664
	Age	-1.3471	0.797	-1.690	0.092	-2.913	0.219
Work loa	d Average/day	1.6122	0.573	2.815	0.005	0.487	2.737
	Hit target	1.8350	0.839	2.188	0.029	0.188	3.482
	Son	0.8702	0.491	1.773	0.077	-0.094	1.834
	Pet	-1.3783	0.899	-1.533	0.126	-3.145	0.388

			Weight	1.1267	0.665	1.693	0.091	-0.181	2.434
			Height	-1.8893	0.859	-2.199	0.028	-3.577	-0.202
	Rea	ason for ab	sence_2.0	-0.7065	2.666	-0.265	0.791	-5.945	4.532
	Rea	ason for ab	sence_3.0	2.1236	2.626	0.809	0.419	-3.035	7.283
		Edu	cation_4.0	1.1559	1.351	0.855	0.393	-1.499	3.811
		Social o	drinker_1.0	0.4152	0.364	1.140	0.255	-0.300	1.131
		Social s	moker_1.0	0.2872	0.554	0.518	0.604	-0.802	1.376
	Omnibus:	149.241	Durbin-V	Vatson:	1.916				
Pro	ob(Omnibus):	0.000	Jarque-Be	ra (JB):	594.890				
	Skew:	1.135	Pro	ob(JB):	6.62e-130				
	Kurtosis:	7.441	Co	nd. No.	62.0				

## Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

Fig 3.1a Summary of linear regression model

### 3.2 Ridge and Lasso Regression:

Ridge or lasso are forms of regularized linear regressions. Lasso calculates its value by reducing the power of unnecessary variables or least important variables, while ridge on the other hand tends to bring all variables' contribution in building models. Both of these are generally used when we want to use a more complex or when we have to overcome overfitting issues from linear model. Anyways, since we did not have much issue with all the above stated problems in linear model, it is ok to pick linear model as a better choice compared to these two. Nonetheless, ridge has definitely performed well here and is almost equivalent to linear model in terms of performance.

#### 3.3 SVR:

Support Vector Regressor(Gausian Kernel) has a test value of ~4, hence the model is not apt for building in our dataset.

#### 3.4 KNN:

The test value RMSE for this model is  $\sim$ 3.56, which is fine as compared to other models, so to c heck the variation of result by varying the number of neighbors, a graph is plotted between RMS E value and number of neighbors in Fig.3.4b. According to figure, k = 5 (which luckily is also the default value) seems the best, with RMSE of  $\sim$ 3.56

KNeighborsRegressor

Result-test

RMSE: 3.566121453655529

Result-train

RMSE: 2.4403261334564816

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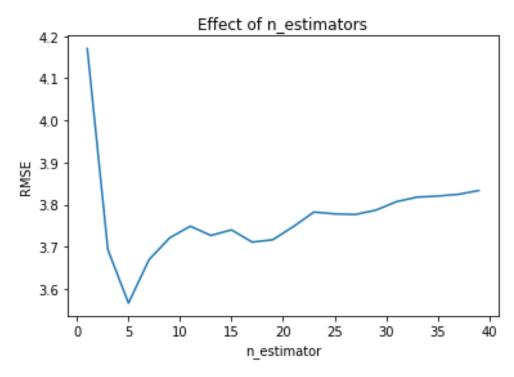


Fig 3.4b Number of nearest neighbors in KNN v/s RMSE values

## 3.5 Decision Tree Regressor:

The values of train RMSE is close to 0 which suggests that there is over-fitting problem in this model, thus a regularized model of Decision tree is needed to treat this.

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DecisionTreeRegressor

Result-test

RMSE: 4.346134936801766

Result-train

RMSE: 0.26807482443947966

### 3.5 Random Forest Regressor:

The solution to the previous model of decision tree gets exactly served by the regularized method, Random Forest. Notice that regularized method helped when there was over-fitting in traditional method, like in the earlier where linear model did not have over-fitting problem,, regularized ridge and lasso didn't come much of handy in improving score. But, here in random forest the score has increased considerably from 4.36 to 3.45 with train value also getting better than decision tree's model.

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RandomForestRegressor

Result-test

RMSE: 3.454816155486407

Result-train

RMSE: 1.1326756427399138

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The Fig.3.4c depicts the RMSE values with number of trees, which is the least in 20-25 and 160-180 range with RMSE of around 3.36, this makes the model of choice to be higher.

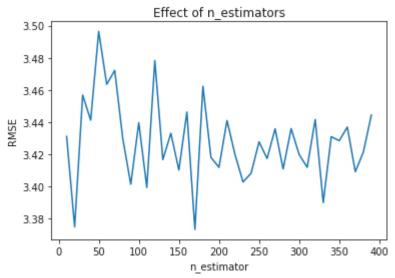


Fig 3.4c Number of trees in Random Forest v/s RMSE values

## 3.6 ADA Boost Regressor and Gradient Boost Regressor:

Both ADA boost and Gradient boost are boosting algorithms which means that they convert a set of weak learners into a single strong learner. They both initialize a strong learner (usually a decision tree) and iteratively create a weak learner that is added to the strong learner. They just differ on how they create the weak learners during the iterative process.

AdaBoostRegressor
Result-test
RMSE: 3.7049464047044403
Result-train
RMSE: 2.7963536152480746
GradientBoostingRegressor
Result-test
RMSE: 3.4747885667678045
Result-train
RMSE: 1.9479853430273673

### 3.7 XGBoost Regressor:

XGBoost uses a few computational tricks to speed up gradient descent and line search components, as well as a penalty function.

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XGBRegressor Result-test

RMSE: 3.4722148845178946

Result-train

RMSE: 2.0042449748723015

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## 3.8 Hyperparameter tuning:

Here we will perform parameter tuning of XGBoost Regressor using GridSearchCV and will then see how our model performs on tuned parameters.

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The value comes out to be:
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{'gamma': 0, 'learning_rate': 0.01, 'max_depth': 3, 'n_estimators': 4
00, 'random state': 1, 'subsample': 0.7}
```

After building the model on tuned parameters, it was seen that not significant improvement was there in the score, moreover it decreased suggesting that default parameters were better in model building. This might have occurred because the range of values input for GridSearchCV was not vast as it would have taken a long computational time, thus it missed on the best parameters. Nevertheless, in actual condition, by increasing the range, this problem hardly occurs.

## **Chapter 4: Final Inference and answers**

#### 4.1 Inference:

From all the above models, it was seen that Random Forest, Linear regression and all boosting m ethods performed well, so selection of any one of these would just be satisfactory, but the main f ocus lies in the preprocessing steps involved, the reason being, there were about two big imputat ions/changes in the dataset, one while dealing with missing values and another while dealing with outliers. Also, many ways of feature selection and binning of categories were available. Juggli ng with all these parameters and applying various permutations and combinations on the same, p lus the domain knowledge would have helped near the best model. Only after this, the tuning an d model building should have been done and overseen. Thus, there are several other ways and m ixed approaches we could employ till we can eliminate previous models and reach to an optial m odel.

The Fig 4.1a below shows and sums up the test MSE in a graphical plot of all the models used.

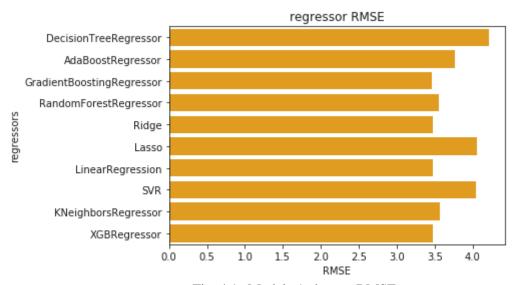


Fig. 4.1a Model v/s the test RMSE score

#### 4.2 Answers:

#### Q1. What changes company should bring to reduce the number of absenteeism?

-The changes company can bring to reduce absenteeism hours is by cutting or improving in the areas where the absenteeism hours gets affected. For e.g. by observing graphs and plots in visualizations section, it was seen that oldest aged group of ~58 had tremendous shoot in absenteeism, thus employing younger batch can be helpful. The most number of instances(~21%) for the reason for absence was for medical consultation, thus having a half-yearly or quarterly checkup, or a doctor solely for company employees can also be appointed. It was also observed that work load was one of the important factors during the model building phase, so by bringing the work load to an optimized point which makes the employees avert absenteeism and the profits of the company also doesn't degrade much can be put in work. There was about 5% of instances where employees didn't justify the reason of absence, so stringent rules can be brought up against such employees. Like these, many other small changes can be brought up by the company, but broadly the above stated reasons would suffice. If absenteeism is a serious concern faced by the company, then it can definitely invest in the areas stated while compromising little on profits.

# Q2. How much loss every month can we project in 2011 if same trend of absenteeism continues?

-If the same trend of absenteeism continues according to the dataset, then the losses incurred can be projected and be seen in Fig. 4.1b which shows that most of the losses were projected in the month of july, followed by march and april. The least was seen in the month of February.

The projection of losses was measured by grouping by means of service time per month, work load average/day, and number of absenteeism hours. The formula used was (absenteeism time in hours) / (Service time), which measured the part out of whole which were rendered absent by the employees, and this factor was multiplied by average work load(or units of work to be done in days), this gets us the final average losses per month.

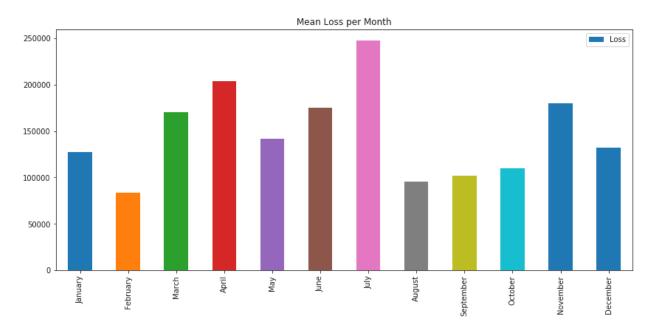


Fig. 4.2b Mean Loss per month due to absenteeism

## **Complete Python Code:**

```
import os
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib as mlt
import seaborn as sn
#Extracting Data
original data = pd.read excel("Absenteeism at work Project.xls")
original data = original data.reset index(drop=True)
original data.index += 1
df=original data
#Converting variables to categoric and numeric
a = list(range(1, 5, 1))
b= list(range(11, 17, 1))
c=list(set().union(a,b))
for i in c:
  df.iloc[:, i] = df.iloc[:, i].astype('category')
df.iloc[:, 0] = df.iloc[:, 0].astype(object)
df.iloc[:, 13] = df.iloc[:, 13].astype('float64')
df.iloc[:, 16] = df.iloc[:, 16].astype('float64')
**Checking missing values**
 #Missing value analysis
missing val = pd.DataFrame(original data.isnull().sum())
```

```
missing val
              df1 = df[df.isnull().any(axis=1)]
df1
#Creating a new Dataframe by data types
df num=df.select dtypes(['float64'])
df cat=df.select dtypes(['category'])
df num = df num.reset index(drop=True)
df num.index += 1
df cat = df cat.reset index(drop=True)
df cat.index += 1
**Feature Selection before imputaion**
__________
                                     ~~~~~~ python
#Feature Selection using Correlation, VIF, and Chi-Square test
## 1) Correlation
correlations = df_num.corr()
correlations
correlations.style.background gradient()
## 2) Chi-square test
from scipy.stats import chi2 contingency
factors paired bin = [(i,j) for i in df cat.columns.values for j in df cat.columns.values]
chi2 bin, p values bin =[], []
for f in factors paired bin:
  if f[0] != f[1]:
         chitest_bin = chi2_contingency(pd.crosstab(df_cat[f[0]], df_cat[f[1]]))
         chi2 bin.append(chitest bin[0])
         p values bin.append(chitest bin[1])
  else:
```

```
chi2 bin.append(0)
         p values bin.append(0)
chi2 bin = np.array(chi2 bin).reshape((8,8))
chi2 df bin = pd.DataFrame(chi2 bin, index=df cat.columns.values,
columns=df cat.columns.values)
p values bin = np.array(p values bin).reshape((8,8)) # shaping it as a matrix
p values bin = pd.DataFrame(p values bin, index=df cat.columns.values,
columns=df cat.columns.values)
p values bin
              cnames v = ['Distance from Residence to Work', 'Service time', 'Age', 'Work load
Average/day ', 'Transportation expense',
     'Hit target', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight', 'Height', 'Body mass index', 'Absenteeism time
in hours']
#VIF before dropping variable any variable
from statsmodels.stats.outliers influence import variance inflation factor as vf
from statsmodels.tools.tools import add constant
original data=original data.dropna()
numeric df v = add constant(original data[cnames v])
vif v = pd.Series([vf(numeric_df_v.values, i) for i in range(numeric_df_v.shape[1])],
            index = numeric df v.columns)
vif v
cnames = ['Distance from Residence to Work', 'Service time', 'Age', 'Work load Average/day
', 'Transportation expense',
    'Hit target', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight', 'Height', 'Absenteeism time in hours']
catnames = list(set(df.columns) - set(cnames v))
#VIF after dropping Body mass index variable
numeric df = add constant(original data[cnames])
vif = pd.Series([vf(numeric df.values, i) for i in range(numeric df.shape[1])],
            index = numeric df.columns)
vif
```

```
#Dropping redundant Features, and NAs from Target variable
df = df.drop(['Body mass index'], axis=1)
df = df.drop(df[df['Absenteeism time in hours'].isnull()].index, axis=0)
#Marking cells as NA containing months of absence and reason of absence equal to zero
df.loc[df['Reason for absence'] == 0,'Reason for absence'] = np.nan
df.loc[df['Month of absence'] == 0,'Month of absence'] = np.nan
missing val1 = pd.DataFrame(df.isnull().sum())
missing val1
df2 = df[df.isnull().any(axis=1)]
df2
**Imputing missing values after feature selection**
## Imputing Missing Values using KNN imputation
from fancyimpute import KNN
df = pd.DataFrame(KNN(k = 3).complete(df), columns = df.columns).round(0)
**Visualization of data**
#Visualizations using barplots
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
df.groupby('ID')['Absenteeism time in hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean Absentism
in hours per ID',figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
```

```
df.groupby('Month of absence')['Absenteeism time in
hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean Absentism in hours per month ',figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
df.groupby('Age')['Absenteeism time in hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean
Absentism in hours by age', figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
df.groupby('Disciplinary failure')['Absenteeism time in
hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean Absentism in hours wrt disciplinary
failure', figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
df.groupby('Reason for absence')['Absenteeism time in
hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean of Hours of Absentism for reason for absence
',figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
df.groupby('Day of the week')['Absenteeism time in
hours'].mean().plot(kind='bar',title='Mean of Hours of Absentism by day of the
week', figsize=(14,6))
plt.show()
#Boxplots of numeric variables before outlier removal
df num.plot(kind='box', subplots=True, layout=(8,4), figsize=(17,39), fontsize=10)
#Checking the variable importance with target variable using Extra Tree Regressor to get a
feel of importance of variables
from sklearn.ensemble import ExtraTreesRegressor
reg = ExtraTreesRegressor(n estimators=70)
X = df.drop(columns=('Absenteeism time in hours'))
y = df['Absenteeism time in hours']
reg.fit(X, y)
imp feat = pd.DataFrame({{ | Feature | : df.drop(columns='Absenteeism time in hours').columns,
```

```
'importance':reg.feature importances *100})
imp feat=imp feat.sort values(by = 'importance', ascending=False).reset index(drop = True)
sn.set color codes("muted")
sn.barplot(x='importance', y='Feature', data=imp_feat, color="orange")
plt.xlabel('Importance in percentage')
plt.title('Feature Importance')
plt.show()
df o=df.copy()
**Outlier Analysis**
                                      ~~~~~~~ python
#Checking for outliers range and replacing it with NAs
for i in cnames:
  print(i)
  q75, q25 = np.percentile(df o.loc[:,i], [75,25])
  iqr = q75 - q25
  min = q25 - (iqr*1.5)
  max = q75 + (iqr*1.5)
  print(min)
  print(max)
  df o.loc[df o.loc[:,i] < min, i] = np.nan
  df o.loc[df o.loc[:,i] > max, i] = np.nan
 missing val2 = pd.DataFrame(df o.isnull().sum())
missing val2
cnames o = ['Absenteeism time in hours']
#Creating outliers only for Absenteeism per hour, and leaving other variables untouched
```

```
for i in cnames o:
  print(i)
  q75, q25 = np.percentile(df.loc[:,i], [75,25])
  iqr = q75 - q25
  min = q25 - (iqr*1.5)
  max = q75 + (iqr*1.5)
  print(min)
  print(max)
  df.loc[df.loc[:,i] < min, i] = np.nan</pre>
  df.loc[df.loc[:,i] > max, i] = np.nan
missing val3 = pd.DataFrame(df.isnull().sum())
missing val3
## Imputing Outliers using KNN imputation
from fancyimpute import KNN
df = pd.DataFrame(KNN(k = 3).complete(df), columns = df.columns).round(0)
for i in catnames:
  df.loc[:, i] = df.loc[:, i].astype('category')
df.iloc[:, 0] = df.iloc[:, 0].astype(object)
----- python
df num=df.select dtypes(['float64'])
df_cat=df.select_dtypes(['category'])
df num = df num.reset index(drop=True)
df num.index += 1
df cat = df cat.reset index(drop=True)
df cat.index += 1
#Histograms after outlier removal
from matplotlib import pyplot
df num.hist(figsize=(17,12))
pyplot.show()
```

```
#Boxplots of numeric varaibles after outlier removal
df num.plot(kind='box', subplots=True, layout=(8,3), figsize=(17,39), fontsize=10)
pyplot.show()
cnames = ['Distance from Residence to Work', 'Service time', 'Age', 'Work load Average/day
', 'Transportation expense',
    'Hit target', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight', 'Height']
**Feature Scaling**
                              ~~~~~~~ python
#Feature Scaling of all numeric varaibles except the target varaible
for i in cnames:
  df[i] = (df[i] - df[i].min())/(df[i].max() - df[i].min())
from sklearn.cross_validation import train_test_split
from random import *
from numpy import *
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
import statsmodels.api as sm
df1=df.copy()
#Creating dummies for all categorical variables
mylist = list(df.select dtypes(include=['category']).columns)
```

```
dummies = pd.get dummies(df1[mylist], prefix= mylist,drop first=True)
df1.drop(mylist, axis=1, inplace = True)
df1 = pd.concat([df1,dummies], axis =1)
#Creating train and test data
random.seed(2)
X = df1.drop(columns=['Absenteeism time in hours','ID'])
y = df1['Absenteeism time in hours']
X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(X, y, test size = 0.2, random state =
2)
X train = X train.reset index(drop=True)
X train.index += 1
X test = X test.reset index(drop=True)
X test.index += 1
y train = y train.reset index(drop=True)
y_train.index += 1
y test = y test.reset index(drop=True)
y test.index += 1
**Model Development**
_____
### **Performing Linear regression and checking its summary**
#Linear Regression
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
from math import sqrt
lr = LinearRegression()
lr model = lr.fit(X train, y train)
y pred train = lr model.predict(X train)
y pred = lr model.predict(X test).round(0)
model_lr_dummies = sm.OLS(y_train, X_train).fit()
model lr dummies.summary()
```

```
train rmse lr=sqrt(mean squared error(y train, y pred train))
print("train rmse lr:")
train rmse lr
test rmse lr=sqrt(mean squared error(y test, y pred))
print("test rmse lr:")
test rmse lr
**Performing all the regressions in one go with their default parameters**
           from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor, ExtraTreeRegressor
from sklearn.linear model import Ridge, Lasso, LinearRegression, ElasticNet, Lars
from sklearn.ensemble import AdaBoostRegressor, GradientBoostingRegressor,
ExtraTreesRegressor, RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
from sklearn.svm import SVR
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsRegressor
from xgboost import XGBRegressor
regressors = [DecisionTreeRegressor(), AdaBoostRegressor(), GradientBoostingRegressor(),
RandomForestRegressor(),
Ridge(), Lasso(), LinearRegression(), SVR(), KNeighborsRegressor(),XGBRegressor()]
imp cols=["regressors", "MSE"]
imp = pd.DataFrame(columns=imp cols)
for rgr in regressors:
   rgr.fit(X train, y train)
   name = rgr. class . name
   print("="*50)
   print(name)
   print('Result-test')
   train predictions = rgr.predict(X test)
   mse = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y test, train predictions))
   print("RMSE: {}".format(mse))
   print('Result-train')
```

```
ori predictions = rgr.predict(X train)
   mse t = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y train, ori predictions))
   print("RMSE: {}".format(mse t))
   print("="*50)
   imp entry = pd.DataFrame([[name, mse]], columns=imp cols)
   imp = imp.append(imp entry)
#A plot indicating all regressions' RMSE values for easy comparison
sn.set color codes("muted")
sn.barplot(x='MSE', y='regressors', data=imp, color="orange")
plt.xlabel('RMSE')
plt.title('regressor RMSE')
plt.show()
#Checking the number of trees v/s RMSE values
rf model = RandomForestRegressor().fit(X train, y train)
estimators = np.arange(10, 400, 10)
scores = []
for n in estimators:
   rf model.set params(n estimators=n)
   forest=rf model.fit(X train, y train)
   train predictions y = forest.predict(X test)
   scores.append(np.sqrt(mean squared error(y test, train predictions y)))
plt.title("Effect of n estimators")
plt.xlabel("n estimator")
plt.ylabel("RMSE")
plt.plot(estimators, scores)
#Checking the number of nearest neighbours v/s RMSE for KNN
KNN model=KNeighborsRegressor().fit(X train, y train)
estimators = np.arange(1, 41, 2)
scores = []
```

```
for n in estimators:
   KNN model.set params(n neighbors=n)
   KNN=KNN model.fit(X train,y train)
   train predictions y = KNN.predict(X test)
   scores.append(np.sqrt(mean squared error(y test, train predictions y)))
plt.title("Effect of n estimators")
plt.xlabel("n estimator")
plt.ylabel("RMSE")
plt.plot(estimators, scores)
                      ### **Parameter tuning using GridSearchCV**
...... python
from sklearn.model selection import GridSearchCV
regressor = XGBRegressor(random state=1)
params = [[] 'n estimators' : [250, 300, 400], 'max depth': [2, 3],
        'learning rate':[0.01,0.05, 0.1, 0.3],'gamma':[0, 0.001, 0.01],
        'subsample':[1, 0.7, 0.8], 'random state' :[1]}
grid search = GridSearchCV(estimator=regressor, param grid=params,cv = 9,
                     scoring = 'explained variance', n jobs=-1)
grid search = grid search.fit(X train, y train)
print(grid search.best params )
# Building XGBRegressor on tuned parameter
regressor = XGBRegressor(random state=1, learning rate=0.01, max depth=3,
n estimators=400,
                   gamma = 0, subsample=0.7)
XGB=regressor.fit(X train, y train)
test predictions XGB = regressor.predict(X test)
mse XGB = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y test, test predictions XGB))
mse XGB
q2=original_data.copy()
**Answer for projection of losses**
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```
q2.loc[q2['Reason for absence'] == 0,'Reason for absence'] = np.nan
q2.loc[q2['Month of absence'] == 0,'Month of absence'] = np.nan
  a1=q2.groupby('Month of absence')['Service time'].mean().to frame()
a2=q2.groupby('Month of absence')['Absenteeism time in hours'].mean().to frame()
a3=q2.groupby('Month of absence')['Work load Average/day '].mean().to_frame()
h=pd.merge(a1, a2, on='Month of absence')
f2=pd.merge(h, a3, on='Month of absence')
f2['Loss']=(f2['Absenteeism time in hours']/f2['Service time'])*f2['Work load Average/day
' ]
f2t=f2.T
f2t.columns = ["Month of
Absence", "January", "February", "March", "April", "May", "June", "July", "August", "September", "Oc
tober", "November", "December"]
f2=f2t.T
f2=f2.dropna()
f2
f2.plot(kind='bar', y='Loss', title='Mean Loss per Month', figsize=(14,6))
```

# **Complete R Code:**

```
1 rm(list=ls())
 2 library(rpart)
 3 library (MASS)
 4 library (ggplot2)
 5 library("scales")
  6 library("psych")
 7 library("gplots")
 8 library (corrgram)
 9x = c("ggplot2", "corrgram", "DMwR", "caret", "randomForest", "unbalanced", "C50",
10 "dummies", "e1071", "Information",
         "MASS", "rpart", "gbm", "ROSE", 'sampling', 'DataCombine',
12 'inTrees', "dplyr", "plyr", "reshape", "data.table")
14 #devtools::install github("hadley/dplyr")
15 .libPaths()
16 library(githubinstall)
17 #githubinstall("dplyr")
18 #install.packages(x)
19 \# rm(x)
 20
 21
 23 #Extracting Data
 24 marketing train= read.csv("C:\\Users\\Deepanshu\\Desktop\\Edwisor\\Projects\\Project
 25 2\\Absenteeism_at_work_Project.csv", header = T)
 26
 2.7
 28 #Missing Values Analysis
 29 missing_val = data.frame(apply(marketing_train, 2, function(x) {sum(is.na(x))})))
 30 sum (missing val)
 32 new DF <- marketing train[rowSums(is.na(marketing train)) > 0,]
 33
 34 #Changing variable types
 35 cnames <- c('Distance.from.Residence.to.Work', 'Service.time', 'Age',
 36 'Work.load.Average.day', 'Transportation.expense',
              'Hit.target', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight',
 38 'Height', 'Absenteeism.time.in.hours', 'Body.mass.index')
 39 cat names <- c('Social.smoker',
```

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40
              'Month.of.absence',
              'Social.drinker',
41
42
              'Reason.for.absence',
              'Disciplinary.failure',
43
              'ID',
44
              'Education',
4.5
              'Seasons',
46
              'Day.of.the.week')
48 #Checking the summary
49 summary (marketing train[, cnames])
50 lapply(marketing_train[,cnames], function(feat) length(unique(feat)))
51 str(marketing train)
52
53
54 for(i in cat names) {
55 marketing train[,i] = as.factor(marketing train[,i])
56
57 str(marketing train)
58 library (DMwR)
59 marketing train=marketing train[!is.na(marketing train $Absenteeism.time.in.hours), ]
60
61 #Imputing all the missing values using MICE
62 library (mice)
63 miceMod <- mice(marketing train, method="rf", seed=1) # perform mice imputation, based
64 on random forests.
65 miceOutput <- complete (miceMod) # generate the completed data.
66 anyNA (miceOutput)
67
68 write.csv (miceOutput, "C:\\Users\\Deepanshu\\Desktop\\Edwisor\\Projects\\Project
69 2\\mice_output_pro_2.csv", row.names = F)
70 miceOutput=read.csv ("C:\\Users\\Deepanshu\\Desktop\\Edwisor\\Projects\\Project
71 2\\mice output pro 2.csv")
73 da=miceOutput
74
75 ######Data exploration and visualizing data#######
77 library (ggthemes)
78 library (grid)
79 library (gridExtra)
80 p \leftarrow ggplot(da, aes(x = Pet, fill = Pet)) + geom bar()
81 s \leftarrow ggplot(da, aes(x = Son, fill = Son)) + geom bar()
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82
 83 SS <- ggplot(da, aes(x = Social.smoker, fill = Social.drinker)) + geom bar()
 85 \text{ S} \leftarrow \text{ggplot(da, aes(x = Seasons, fill = Seasons))} + \text{geom bar()}
 87 grid.arrange(p,s, nrow = 1)
 88 grid.arrange(SS,S, nrow = 1)
 90 library(dplyr)
 91
 92 absent <- as.data.frame( da %>% select(everything()) %>%
 93 filter (Absenteeism.time.in.hours > 0))
 94 Reason <- as.data.frame(absent %>% group by(Reason.for.absence) %>% summarise(count=
 95 n(), percent = round(count*100/nrow(absent),1))%>% arrange(desc(count)))
 96 ggplot (Reason, aes (x = reorder (Reason.for.absence, percent), y = percent, pos=3, xpd=NA,
 97 fill= Reason.for.absence)) + geom_bar(stat = 'identity') + coord_flip() +
 98 theme(legend.position='none') +
 99 geom text(aes(label = percent), vjust = 0.5, hjust = 1.1) + xlab('Reason for
100 absence')
101
102
103 a \leftarrow ggplot(da, aes(x = Age, fill = Son)) + geom bar()
104 grid.arrange(a, nrow = 1)
105
106 for (i in cnames)
107 {
108 print(i)
109 value=da[,i][da[,i] %in% boxplot.stats(da[,i],coef=1.5) sout]
110 print(value)
111 }
112
113
114 for (i in 1:length(cnames))
115 {
116
    assign(paste0("gn",i), ggplot(aes string(y = (cnames[i])), data =
117 subset(marketing train))+
118
               stat boxplot(geom = "errorbar", width = 0.1) +
               geom boxplot(outlier.colour="red", fill = "white", outlier.shape=18,
119
                             outlier.size=2, notch=FALSE) +
120
               theme(legend.position="bottom") +
121
122
               labs(y=cnames[i]))
123 }
```

```
124
125 # Plotting plots together
126 gridExtra::grid.arrange(gn1,gn5,gn2,gn6,gn3,gn7,gn8,gn9,gn10,gn11,ncol=3, nrow=4)
128 marketing train=miceOutput
129
130 #Replacing outliers with NA using boxplot
131 for(i in cnames) {
       val = marketing train[,i][marketing train[,i] %in%
133 boxplot.stats(marketing_train[,i]) $out]
134
        print(length(val))
135
        marketing train[,i] [marketing train[,i] %in% val] = NA
136
      }
137
138 #Imputing outliers using MICE method
139 miceMod 2 <- mice(marketing train, method="rf", seed=1) # perform mice imputation,
140 based on random forests.
141 miceOutput 2 <- complete(miceMod 2) # generate the completed data.
142 anyNA (miceOutput 2)
144 write.csv(miceOutput, "C:\\Users\\Deepanshu\\Desktop\\Edwisor\\Projects\\Project
145 2\\mice output 2 pro 2.csv", row.names = F)
147 miceOutput 2=read.csv("C:\\Users\\Deepanshu\\Desktop\\Edwisor\\Projects\\Project
148 2\\mice output 2 pro 2.csv")
149 marketing train=miceOutput 2
150
151
152 #Feature Selection####
153
154
155 # Correlation Plot
156
157 corrgram(marketing train[,cnames], order = F,
            upper.panel=panel.pie, text.panel=panel.txt, main = "Correlation Plot")
158
159
160
161 #ANOVA Analysis
162 anova multi way <- aov(Absenteeism.time.in.hours~(Social.smoker)+
163
                                                       (Month.of.absence) +
164
                                                       (Social.drinker) +
                                                       (Reason.for.absence) +
165
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166
                                                       (Disciplinary.failure) +
167
                                                       (ID) +
168
                                                       (Education) +
169
                                                       (Seasons)+
170
                                                       (Day.of.the.week), data =
171 marketing train)
172 summary (anova multi way)
174 ## Dimension Reduction
175 marketing train = subset(marketing train,
176
                             select = -c(Body.mass.index,ID))
177
178 #####Feature Scaling####
179 cnames <- c('Distance.from.Residence.to.Work', 'Service.time', 'Age',
180 'Work.load.Average.day', 'Transportation.expense',
                'Hit.target', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight', 'Height')
182 cat names <- c('Social.smoker',
                   'Month.of.absence',
183
184
                   'Social.drinker',
                   'Reason.for.absence',
185
186
                   'Disciplinary.failure',
187
                   'Education',
188
                   'Seasons',
189
                   'Day.of.the.week')
190 for (i in cat names) {
191
192 marketing train[,i] = as.factor(marketing train[,i])
193 }
194
195 #Scaling all numeric variables leaving our target variable untouched
196 for (i in cnames) {
197 print(i)
198 marketing train[,i] = as.numeric(marketing train[,i])
199 marketing train[,i] = (marketing train[,i] - min(marketing train[,i]))/
200
        (max(marketing train[,i] - min(marketing train[,i])))
201 }
202 str(marketing train)
204 #Removing the rows containing absurd information
205 marketing_train= marketing_train[!marketing_train$\text{$Month.of.absence==0 &}
206 !marketing train Reason.for.absence==0, ]
207
```

```
208 #Creating dummies for categorical variables
209 DFdummies <- as.data.frame(model.matrix(~. -1, marketing train))
210 dim (DFdummies)
211
212 library (DataCombine)
213 rmExcept(c("marketing train","DFdummies","miceoutput 2"))
214
215 wdf=marketing train
216 marketing train=DFdummies
217
218 #Creating train and test data
219 library (caret)
220 set.seed(1)
221 train.index = createDataPartition(marketing train $Absenteeism.time.in.hours, p = .80,
222 list = FALSE)
223 X train = marketing_train[ train.index,]
224 y train = marketing train[-train.index,]
225 y test=y train Absenteeism.time.in.hours
226 X test=X train Absenteeism.time.in.hours
228 library (usdm)
229
230
231 #Creating a function to run all types of regression and comparing the values
232 Show.RMSE <- function (method, train data, test data) {
233 regressor fit <- caret::train(Absenteeism.time.in.hours~., data = X train, method =
234 method)
     y pred <- predict(regressor fit, y train)</pre>
     print("RMSE value of test data")
     print(caret::RMSE(y test, y pred))
   require(gbm)
   library (ridge)
   library(enet)
   library(elasticnet)
   library(h20)
   regressors=c('lm','knn','svmLinear3',
   'rpart2','rf','xgbTree','ridge','lasso','gbm h2o')
   #Running all the regressions and checking the performance on test data
   for(i in regressors) {
```

```
print(i)
Show.RMSE(i, X_train, y_test)
print(strrep('-',50))

#Finding the optimum parameters for XG Boost tree using repeatedCV
control <- trainControl(method="repeatedcv", number=5, repeats=2)
reg_XG <- caret::train(Absenteeism.time.in.hours~., data = X_train, method =
"xgbTree",trControl = control)
reg_XG$bestTune</pre>
```