Productivity Prediction of Garment Employees

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Introduction

The Garment Industry is one of the key examples of the industrial globalization of this modern era. It is a highly labour-intensive industry with lots of manual processes. Satisfying the huge global demand for garment products is mostly dependent on the production and delivery performance of the employees in the garment manufacturing companies. So, it is highly desirable among the decision makers in the garments industry to track, analyse and predict the productivity performance of the working teams in their factories. The goal of this project is to create a predictive multiple regression model that can help the manufacturers set an accurate target, minimize the production loss and maximize the profit.

Data Set Information

The garments_worker_productivity dataset can be used for regression purpose by predicting the productivity range (0-1) or for classification purpose by transforming the productivity range (0-1) into different classes. Table 1 provides attribute information for the dataset.

Table 1: Table 1: Attribute Information about garments_worker_productivity dataset.

| Variable | Interpretation | Values |
|---------------|--|--|
| date | Date in MM-DD-YYYY | 1/1/2015 - 3/11/2015 |
| day | Day of the Week | Sunday — Thursday (Friday excluded) |
| quarter | A portion of the month. A month was divided into four quarters | Q1 - Q5 |
| department | Associated department with the instance | Sewing and Finishing |
| team_no | Associated team number with the instance | 1 - 12 |
| no_of_workers | Number of workers in each team | $2-89\;(\min-\max)$ |

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| no_of_style_change | Number of changes in the style of a particular product | 0 - 2 |
| targeted_productivity | y Targeted productivity set by the Authority for each team for each day | 0.07 - 0.80 (min - max) |
| smv | Standard Minute Value, it is the allocated time for a task | 2.90 - 54.56 (min - max) |
| wip | Work in progress. Includes the number of unfinished items for products | 7 - 23122 (506 missing) |
| over_time | Represents the amount of overtime by each team in minutes | 0 - 25920 (min - max) |
| incentive | Represents the amount of financial incentive (in BDT) that enables or motivates a particular course of action. | 0 - 3600 (min - max) |
| idle_time | The amount of time when the production was interrupted due to several reasons | 0 - 300 (min - max) |
| idle_men | The number of workers who were idle due to production interruption | $0-45\;(\min-\max)$ |
| actual_productivity | The actual % of productivity that was delivered by the workers. It ranges from 0-1 | 0.2337 - 1.1204 (min - max) |

Data Inspection

The dataset has 691 complete cases and 506 missing observations in the work in progress (wip) variable. Therefore, these values will be filled using the predictive mean matching method. Additionally, there are some trailing spaces and misspelling of values in the department variable which have to be corrected. The date variable is also removed because it is redundant in this analysis. The following observations — quarter, department, and day — are then converted to categorical variables.

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