Likelihood of payment

At each point in time it is important for Alfa Co. to understand which debtors are likely to repay their debts within a near future, this enables the company to plan its collection efforts in a cost-effective way.

We would like for you to construct a model to predict the likelihood of a debtor making a payment during the coming months. You have a few potential target variables to pick from (all starting with IS_).

Here are the field descriptions of data set.

| Column name | Description |
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| DEBTOR_NO, | Id representing a unique debtor |
| RAND_NO, | random number |
| SNAPSHOT_DATE, | the time stamp of the data |
| IS_PAID_12M, | 1 if a payment is made 12 months after the snapshot_date, 0 if no payment within the same period |
| IS_PAID_6M, | 1 if a payment is made 6 months after the snapshot_date, 0 if no payment within the same period |
| IS_PAID_3M, | 1 if a payment is made 3 months after the snapshot_date, 0 if no payment within the same period |
| IS_PAID_AMT_12M, | Amount paid within 12 months after the snapshot_date |
| IS_PAID_AMT_6M, | Amount paid within 6 months after the snapshot_date |
| IS_PAID_AMT_3M, | Amount paid within 3 months after the snapshot_date |
| CASE_AGE_MONTHS, | Age of debt |
| INTEREST_RATE, | Interest rate of the debt |
| REM_PRINCIPAL_AMT, | The size of the principal |
| REM_PRINCIPAL_INTEREST_AMT, | The size of the accrued interest + principal |
| REM_TOTAL_AMT, | Total debt size |
| DEBTOR_AGE, | Age of debtor |
| PAID_AMT_12M, | Historical payments during past 12 months |
| PAID_AMT_3M, | Historical payments during past 3 months |
| PAID_AMT_6M, | Historical payments during past 6 months |
| INCOME_TOTAL_LAST_YEAR, | Income earned last year |
| | Total debt at the bailiff. For a debt to be with the bailiff it must be |
| | sent there by a creditor, hence, a person can have debts with Alfa |
| TOTAL_DEBT_AMT | Co. or other creditors that isn't sent to the bailiff. |

NULL values in any column means that the information isn't available.

In our discussion we will want you to reason around the technical aspects of your work, see it as an opportunity to highlight your knowledge in various ML techniques. We are also keen to know your thoughts about data preparation and preprocessing.

And please remember that being able to reason around the problem is as important as the technical aspects.