

IBM HR Analytics – Survival Modeling for Attrition

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Summary

We model employee attrition over time using Cox Proportional Hazards and Random Survival Forest, with an XGBoost + SHAP companion model for interpretability. The final deliverable is a 3/6/12 month risk table that prioritizes proactive HR actions (check-ins, workload adjustments, rotation/promotion paths, targeted compensation).

Repository

<https://github.com/Jennyyzu227/Final-assignment-HR-attrition-survival>

Run Instructions

- 1 Install: `pip install -r requirements.txt`
- 2 Place dataset at `data/hr_data.csv`; place probabilities at `data/employee_risk_table_3_6_12m.(csv|xlsx)` if provided.
- 3 Export risk table: `python src/make_risk_table.py --probs data/employee_risk_table_3_6_12m.csv --out results/employee_risk_table_3_6_12m.xlsx`
- 4 Open the XLSX and sort by 6 month probability to prioritize top 10–20% employees for intervention.

Notes

- Risk-tier thresholds (6 month): High ≥ 0.30 ; Medium 0.10–0.30; Low < 0.10 . Edit CLI flags to adjust.
- Dataset is synthetic/demo; retrain and recalibrate thresholds for production use.