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**Algorithm 1:** DWTS Data Preprocessing

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**Input:** Raw CSV file with wide format: each row = one contestant, columns = weekly scores

**Output:** Long format dataset  $\mathcal{D}$ : each row = (season, week, contestant, scores, metrics)

// Load and Parse Data;

Load raw data from CSV file;

for each score column matching  $weekX\_judgeY\_score$  do

| Convert to numeric, set invalid values to NaN;

end

// Process Elimination Information;

for each contestant  $c$  do

| Parse results field to extract final\_rank and eliminated\_week;

| if eliminated\_week is missing then

| | Infer from last week with valid scores;

| end

| for each week  $w > eliminated\_week$  do

| | Set scores to NaN (post-elimination zeros);

| end

end

// Reshape to Long Format;

for each contestant  $c$  do

| for each week  $w$  with valid scores do

| | Create record:  $(c, w, scores, \sum scores, scores)$ ;

| end

end

// Compute Competition Metrics;

for each (season, week) group do

| judge\_rank $_i \leftarrow$  rank(score $_i$ ) using min method;

| judge\_percent $_i \leftarrow$  score $_i / \sum_j$  score $_j$ ;

| contestants\_this\_week  $\leftarrow$  count of contestants;

end

return Processed long-format dataset  $\mathcal{D}$ ;

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**Algorithm 2:** Bayesian Fan Vote Share Estimation (Main Controller)

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**Input:** Processed dataset  $\mathcal{D}$ , rule boundaries:  $S_{\text{pct}} = 3$ ,  $S_{\text{b2}} = 28$

**Output:** Fan share estimates with HDI for all (season, week, contestant)

Load and normalize data:  
 $\text{judge\_percent\_norm}_i = \text{judge\_percent}_i / \sum_j \text{judge\_percent}_j;$

**for** each (season  $s$ , week  $w$ ) with elimination **do**

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow$  contestants competing in week  $w$ ;  
 $e \leftarrow$  identify eliminated contestant;

// Select model based on season

**if**  $s < S_{\text{pct}}$  **then**  
| (trace, contestants)  $\leftarrow$  RankBasedModel( $\mathcal{W}, e$ ) ; // Alg. 3

**else if**  $s < S_{\text{b2}}$  **then**  
| (trace, contestants)  $\leftarrow$  PercentageModel( $\mathcal{W}, e$ ) ; // Alg. 4

**else**  
| (trace, contestants)  $\leftarrow$  Bottom2Model( $\mathcal{W}, e$ ) ; // Alg. 5

**end**

// Extract posterior estimates

**for** each contestant  $i$  **do**

$\hat{f}_i \leftarrow \mathbb{E}[\text{fan\_shares}_i];$   
 $\text{HDI}_i \leftarrow 95\%$  highest density interval;  
Store  $(s, w, i, \hat{f}_i, \text{HDI}_i);$

**end**

**end**

**return** All fan share estimates with uncertainty;

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**Algorithm 3:** Rank-Based Bayesian Model (Seasons 1–2)

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**Input:** Week data  $\mathcal{W}$ , eliminated contestant  $e$ , MCMC params:  
 $T = 5000, B = 2000, C = 4$

**Output:** MCMC trace with posterior samples

// Compute Judge Points from Ranks;  
 $s \leftarrow$  judge scores for all  $n$  contestants;  
 $r \leftarrow \text{rank}(-s)$ ; // Highest score  $\rightarrow$  rank 1  
 $p \leftarrow n - r + 1$ ; // Rank 1 gets  $n$  points  
 $\tilde{\mathbf{J}} \leftarrow p / \sum_i p_i$ ; // Normalize:  $\sum_i \tilde{J}_i = 1$

// Build PyMC Model;  
 $\alpha \leftarrow \mathbf{1}_n$ ; // Uniform Dirichlet prior  
 $f \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha)$ ; // Fan shares:  $\sum_i f_i = 1$   
 $\mathbf{T} \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{J}} + \mathbf{f}$ ; // Combined: both normalized

// Elimination Constraints;  
for each survivor  $i \neq e$  do  
|  $\delta_i \leftarrow T_i - T_e$ ;  
| Add potential:  $\log \sigma(\delta_i \cdot \lambda)$  where  $\lambda = 100$ ;  
end

// Tie-Breaker Constraints;  
for each survivor  $i \neq e$  do  
|  $\tau \leftarrow \sigma(-|T_i - T_e| \cdot 1000 + 5)$ ; // Is tie?  
| Add potential:  $\tau \cdot \log \sigma((f_i - f_e) \cdot \lambda)$ ;  
end

// MCMC Sampling;  
Run Slice sampler:  $T$  draws,  $B$  tuning,  $C$  chains;  
**return** trace;

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**Algorithm 4:** Percentage-Based Bayesian Model (Seasons 3–27)

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**Input:** Week data  $\mathcal{W}$ , eliminated contestant  $e$ , MCMC params:  
 $T = 2000, B = 1000, C = 2$

**Output:** MCMC trace with posterior samples

// Compute Normalized Judge Percentage;  
 $s \leftarrow$  judge scores for all  $n$  contestants;  
 $\tilde{\mathbf{J}} \leftarrow s / \sum_i s_i$ ; // Normalize:  $\sum_i \tilde{J}_i = 1$   
// Build PyMC Model;  
 $\alpha \leftarrow \mathbf{1}_n$ ; // Uniform Dirichlet prior  
 $\mathbf{f} \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha)$ ; // Fan shares:  $\sum_i f_i = 1$   
 $\mathbf{T} \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{J}} + \mathbf{f}$ ; // Combined: both normalized  
// Elimination Constraint (Lowest Score Eliminated);  
for each survivor  $i \neq e$  do  
|  $\delta_i \leftarrow T_i - T_e$ ;  
| Add potential:  $\log \sigma(\delta_i \cdot \lambda)$  where  $\lambda = 100$ ;  
end  
// MCMC Sampling;  
Run NUTS sampler:  $T$  draws,  $B$  tuning,  $C$  chains;  
return trace;

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**Algorithm 5:** Bottom-2 Rule Bayesian Model (Seasons 28+)

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**Input:** Week data  $\mathcal{W}$ , eliminated contestant  $e$ , MCMC params:  
 $T = 3000, B = 1500, C = 4$

**Output:** MCMC trace with posterior samples

// Compute Judge Points (Same as Rank-Based);  
 $s \leftarrow$  judge scores,  $r \leftarrow \text{rank}(-s)$ ;  
 $p \leftarrow n - r + 1, \tilde{\mathbf{J}} \leftarrow p / \sum_i p_i$ ; //  $\sum_i \tilde{J}_i = 1$   
// Build PyMC Model with Informative Prior;  
 $q \leftarrow (\text{rank}(s) - 1)/(n - 1)$ ; // Judge percentile  $\in [0, 1]$   
 $\alpha \leftarrow 0.5 + \kappa \cdot q$  where  $\kappa = 5$ ; // Informative prior  
 $f \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha)$ ; //  $\sum_i f_i = 1$   
 $T \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{J}} + f$ ; // Combined: both normalized  
// Soft Bottom-2 Constraint;  
 $N_{\text{lower}} \leftarrow 0$ ;  
for each survivor  $i \neq e$  do  
|  $\delta_i \leftarrow T_e - T_i$ ; // Positive if  $e$  higher than  $i$   
|  $N_{\text{lower}} \leftarrow N_{\text{lower}} + \sigma(\delta_i \cdot \gamma)$  where  $\gamma = 20$ ;  
end  
excess  $\leftarrow N_{\text{lower}} - \theta$  where  $\theta = 1.3$ ;  
Add potential:  $\begin{cases} -\rho \cdot \text{excess}^2 & \text{if excess} > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  where  $\rho = 20$ ;  
// MCMC Sampling;  
Run Slice sampler:  $T$  draws,  $B$  tuning,  $C$  chains;  
return trace;

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**Algorithm 6:** Elimination Consistency Validation

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Input: Fan share estimates  $\hat{f}$ , original data  $\mathcal{D}$ 
Output: Validation results: consistency rate, margin distribution
for each (season  $s$ , week  $w$ ) do
    rule  $\leftarrow$  determine rule type based on  $s$ ;
    Compute judge component  $\mathbf{J}$  based on rule;
     $\mathbf{T} \leftarrow \mathbf{J} + \hat{\mathbf{f}}$ ; // Reconstructed total scores
    if  $rule \in \{rank, percentage\}$  then
        | consistent  $\leftarrow (T_e \leq \min_{i \neq e} T_i)$ ;
        | margin  $\leftarrow \min_{i \neq e} T_i - T_e$ ;
    else
        |  $N_{lower} \leftarrow |\{i : T_i < T_e, i \neq e\}|$ ;
        | consistent  $\leftarrow (N_{lower} \leq 1)$ ; // In Bottom 2
        | margin  $\leftarrow 1 - N_{lower}$ ;
    end
    Store  $(s, w, \text{rule}, \text{consistent}, \text{margin}, \hat{f}_e)$ ;
end
// Aggregate Statistics;
for each rule type do
    | Compute:  $n$ , consistency rate, mean margin  $\pm$  std;
end
return Validation DataFrame;

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**Algorithm 7:** Fan Vote Uncertainty Analysis

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**Input:** Fan share estimates with HDI, MCMC diagnostics  
**Output:** Uncertainty metrics and visualizations

// Compute HDI Width;  
for each (season, week, contestant) do  
| HDI\_width  $\leftarrow$  HDI\_upper - HDI\_lower;  
end

// Analyze by Rule Type;  
for each rule type  $\in \{\text{rank, percentage, bottom2}\}$  do  
| Compute mean HDI width, distribution;  
end

// Contestant Count vs Uncertainty;  
for each (season, week) do  
|  $n \leftarrow$  number of contestants;  
|  $\bar{w} \leftarrow$  mean HDI width for week;  
end

Fit linear regression:  $\bar{w} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 n$ ;  
Compute correlation  $r$ ;

// MCMC Convergence Check (S1-S2);  
for each (season, week) in S1-S2 do  
| Check:  $\hat{R}_{\max} < 1.05$ , ESS<sub>min</sub> > 400;  
| Flag non-converged weeks;  
end

// Generate Visualizations;  
Plot (a): HDI width distribution by era (violin + box);  
Plot (b): Uncertainty vs contestant count (scatter + regression);  
Plot (c): Eliminated vs survived uncertainty (box);  
Plot (d): MCMC convergence (ESS bars + R-hat line);  
return Uncertainty analysis figures;

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**Algorithm 8:** Scoring Method Comparison (Rank vs Percentage)

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**Input:** Fan share estimates  $\hat{f}$ , original data  $\mathcal{D}$ , seasons 1 to 27  
**Output:** Rule comparison metrics: fan share changes under alternative rules

**for each** (season  $s$ , week  $w$ ) with elimination **do**

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow$  contestants in week  $w$ ;  
 $e \leftarrow$  eliminated contestant;  
 $s \leftarrow$  judge scores;

// Compute judge components under both rules  
 $r \leftarrow \text{rank}(-s)$ ,  $p \leftarrow n - r + 1$ ;  
 $J_{\text{rank}} \leftarrow p / \sum_i p_i$ ;  
 $J_{\text{pct}} \leftarrow s / \sum_i s_i$ ;

// Determine actual rule and compute counterfactual  
 $\text{actual} \leftarrow \begin{cases} \text{rank} & s \leq 2 \\ \text{percentage} & s > 2 \end{cases}$ ;

// Compute required fan share under counterfactual rule  
 $J_{\text{cf}} \leftarrow \begin{cases} J_{\text{pct}} & \text{actual} = \text{rank} \\ J_{\text{rank}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ ;  
 $\Delta J_e \leftarrow \min_{i \neq e} J_{\text{cf},i} - J_{\text{cf},e}$ ;  
 $f_{\text{critical}} \leftarrow \Delta J_e \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{n}$ ;  
Store  $(s, w, \hat{f}_e, f_{\text{critical}}, \text{actual})$ ;

**end**

// Aggregate by Rule Type;  
**for each** rule  $\in \{\text{rank, percentage}\}$  **do**

$\bar{f}_{\text{elim}} \leftarrow$  mean eliminated fan share under this rule;  
 $\bar{f}_{\text{cf}} \leftarrow$  mean counterfactual critical share;

**end**

Conclusion  $\leftarrow (\bar{f}_{\text{elim}}^{\text{pct}} > \bar{f}_{\text{elim}}^{\text{rank}})$  implies percentage favors fans;  
**return** Rule comparison DataFrame;

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**Algorithm 9:** Controversial Contestant Identification

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**Input:** Original data  $\mathcal{D}$ , threshold  $K = 15$   
**Output:** Top  $K$  controversial contestants with controversy scores  
**for each contestant  $c$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  do**  
     $R_{\text{final}} \leftarrow$  final placement rank of  $c$ ;  
     $W_{\text{total}} \leftarrow$  total weeks competed;  
     $W_{\text{bottom}} \leftarrow 0, W_{\text{bottom2}} \leftarrow 0$ ;  
    **for each week  $w$  contestant  $c$  participated do**  
         $s_w \leftarrow$  all judge scores in week  $w$ ;  
         $r_c \leftarrow$  rank( $s_c$ ) using min method (1 = lowest);  
        **if**  $r_c = 1$  **then**  
             $| W_{\text{bottom}} \leftarrow W_{\text{bottom}} + 1$ ;  
        **end**  
        **if**  $r_c \leq 2$  **then**  
             $| W_{\text{bottom2}} \leftarrow W_{\text{bottom2}} + 1$ ;  
        **end**  
    **end**  
    // Controversy score: low scores but high placement  
    **if**  $R_{\text{final}} \leq 5$  **then**  
         $| \text{score}_c \leftarrow \frac{W_{\text{bottom}}}{R_{\text{final}}} + \frac{W_{\text{bottom2}}}{2 \cdot R_{\text{final}}}$ ;  
    **else**  
         $| \text{score}_c \leftarrow \frac{W_{\text{bottom}}}{2 \cdot R_{\text{final}}}$ ;  
    **end**  
**end**  
Sort contestants by  $\text{score}_c$  descending;  
**return** Top  $K$  contestants;

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**Algorithm 10:** Monte Carlo Counterfactual Survival Simulation

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**Input:** Week data  $\mathcal{W}$ , fan estimates  $(\hat{f}_i, \sigma_i)$ , target  $t$ , rule  $\in \{\text{rank}, \text{pct}\}$ ,  $M = 10000$

**Output:** Survival probability  $P_{\text{survive}}(t)$

$s \leftarrow$  judge scores for all  $n$  contestants;

// Compute judge component based on rule

**if**  $\text{rule} = \text{rank}$  **then**

|  $\mathbf{r} \leftarrow \text{rank}(-\mathbf{s})$ ,  $\mathbf{J} \leftarrow (n - \mathbf{r} + 1) / \sum_i (n - r_i + 1)$ ;

**else**

|  $\mathbf{J} \leftarrow \mathbf{s} / \sum_i s_i$ ;

**end**

// Monte Carlo simulation

$N_{\text{survive}} \leftarrow 0$ ;

**for**  $m = 1$  **to**  $M$  **do**

// Sample fan shares from posterior

**for** each contestant  $i$  **do**

|  $\tilde{f}_i^{(m)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{f}_i, \sigma_i^2)$ ;

|  $\tilde{f}_i^{(m)} \leftarrow \text{clip}(\tilde{f}_i^{(m)}, 0.001, 0.999)$ ;

**end**

$\tilde{\mathbf{f}}^{(m)} \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{f}}^{(m)} / \sum_i \tilde{f}_i^{(m)}$ ; // Normalize

$\mathbf{T}^{(m)} \leftarrow 0.5 \cdot \mathbf{J} + 0.5 \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{f}}^{(m)}$ ;

$e^{(m)} \leftarrow \arg \min_i T_i^{(m)}$ ;

**if**  $e^{(m)} \neq t$  **then**

|  $N_{\text{survive}} \leftarrow N_{\text{survive}} + 1$ ;

**end**

**end**

**return**  $P_{\text{survive}} = N_{\text{survive}} / M$ ;

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**Algorithm 11:** Critical Fan Share Analysis with Bottom-2 Rule

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**Input:** Week data  $\mathcal{W}$ , target contestant  $t$   
**Output:** Critical fan shares ( $f_{\text{rank}}^*$ ,  $f_{\text{pct}}^*$ ,  $f_{\text{B2}}^*$ ), risk assessment  
 $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow$  judge scores,  $n \leftarrow |\mathcal{W}|$ ;  
 $\mathbf{J}_{\text{rank}} \leftarrow$  rank-based normalized points;  
 $\mathbf{J}_{\text{pct}} \leftarrow \mathbf{s} / \sum_i s_i$ ;

// Critical share to avoid last place (Rank/Pct rules)

**Function** CriticalNotLast( $\mathbf{J}$ ,  $t$ ,  $n$ ):

|  $\Delta J \leftarrow \min_{i \neq t} J_i - J_t$ ;  
|  $\mathbf{return} \max(0, \min(1, \Delta J \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{n}))$ ;

$f_{\text{rank}}^* \leftarrow \text{CriticalNotLast}(\mathbf{J}_{\text{rank}}, t, n)$ ;  
 $f_{\text{pct}}^* \leftarrow \text{CriticalNotLast}(\mathbf{J}_{\text{pct}}, t, n)$ ;

// Critical share under Bottom-2 rule

$r_t \leftarrow$  score rank of  $t$  (1 = lowest);  
 $N_{\text{lower}} \leftarrow |\{i : s_i < s_t\}|$ ;

**if**  $N_{\text{lower}} = 0$  ; //  $t$  has lowest score  
**then**

// Must avoid bottom 2; judges will eliminate  
|  $J_{\text{2nd}} \leftarrow$  judge component of 2nd lowest scorer;  
|  $f_{\text{B2}}^* \leftarrow \max(\text{CriticalNotLast}(\mathbf{J}_{\text{pct}}, t, n), 0.5)$ ;  
|  $\text{risk} \leftarrow \text{HIGH}$ ,  $\text{judge\_decision} \leftarrow \text{ELIMINATE}$ ;

**else if**  $N_{\text{lower}} = 1$  ; //  $t$  is 2nd lowest  
**then**

// If in bottom 2, judges save  $t$  (not lowest)  
|  $f_{\text{B2}}^* \leftarrow \text{CriticalNotLast}(\mathbf{J}_{\text{pct}}, t, n)$ ;  
|  $\text{risk} \leftarrow \text{MEDIUM}$ ,  $\text{judge\_decision} \leftarrow \text{SAVE}$ ;

**else**

// Not in bottom 2 risk zone  
|  $f_{\text{B2}}^* \leftarrow \text{CriticalNotLast}(\mathbf{J}_{\text{pct}}, t, n)$ ;  
|  $\text{risk} \leftarrow \text{LOW}$ ,  $\text{judge\_decision} \leftarrow \text{N/A}$ ;

**end**

// Compute rule impact gaps

$\Delta_{\text{pct-rank}} \leftarrow f_{\text{pct}}^* - f_{\text{rank}}^*$ ;  
 $\Delta_{\text{B2-pct}} \leftarrow f_{\text{B2}}^* - f_{\text{pct}}^*$ ;

**return** ( $f_{\text{rank}}^*$ ,  $f_{\text{pct}}^*$ ,  $f_{\text{B2}}^*$ ,  $\text{risk}$ ,  $\text{judge\_decision}$ ,  $\Delta_{\text{pct-rank}}$ ,  $\Delta_{\text{B2-pct}}$ );

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**Algorithm 12:** Counterfactual Survival Heatmap Generation

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**Input:** Controversial contestants  $\mathcal{C}$ , survival simulations, original data  $\mathcal{D}$

**Output:** Heatmap visualization of counterfactual survival probabilities

// Prepare Heatmap Data;

for each contestant  $c \in \mathcal{C}$  do

$s \leftarrow$  season of  $c$ ;

$\text{actual\_rule} \leftarrow \begin{cases} \text{rank} & s \leq 2 \\ \text{bottom2} & s \geq 28 \\ \text{percentage} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases};$

for each week  $w$  contestant  $c$  participated do

$\tilde{s}_w \leftarrow (s_c - s_{\min}) / (s_{\max} - s_{\min});$  // Normalized score

// Counterfactual rule (opposite of actual)

$P_{\text{cf}} \leftarrow \begin{cases} P_{\text{survive}}^{\text{pct}} & \text{actual} = \text{rank} \\ P_{\text{survive}}^{\text{rank}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases};$

Add row:  $(c, w, \tilde{s}_w, P_{\text{cf}}, \text{actual\_rule});$

end

end

// Generate Heatmap;

Sort contestants by final rank (winners first);

$X \leftarrow$  week numbers,  $Y \leftarrow$  contestant labels;

$Z \leftarrow$  matrix of  $P_{\text{cf}}$  values;

Apply diverging colormap: red ( $P < 0.5$ ) to green ( $P > 0.5$ );

Overlay normalized judge score as marker size;

Add annotations for actual rule era;

return Heatmap figure;

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**Algorithm 13:** Linear Mixed-Effects Model for Celebrity & Partner Effects

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**Input:** Dataset  $\mathcal{D}$  with outcomes  $y^{(J)}$  (judge score),  $y^{(F)}$  (log fan share), fixed effects  $\mathbf{X}$ , grouping factor  $g$  (partner)

**Output:** Fixed effects  $\hat{\beta}$ , random effects  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ , ICC

// **Model Specification;**  
 Fixed effects:  $\mathbf{X} = [\text{Age}, \text{Industry}_1, \dots, \text{Industry}_k, \text{Week}, \text{StageRatio}]$ ;  
 Random intercept:  $u_g \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_u^2)$  for each partner  $g$ ;  
 Model:  $y_{ig} = \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta} + u_g + \varepsilon_{ig}, \quad \varepsilon_{ig} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ ;

// **REML Estimation;**  
 Construct marginal covariance:  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{ZGZ}^\top + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ ;  
 Maximize restricted log-likelihood::  

$$\ell_R = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \log |\mathbf{V}| + \log |\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{X}| + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})^\top \mathbf{V}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \right];$$
 Estimate  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  via Powell optimizer;

// **Extract Partner Random Effects (BLUPs);**  
 $\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{GZ}^\top \mathbf{V}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$ ;

// **Compute Intraclass Correlation (ICC);**  
 $\rho = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_u^2}{\hat{\sigma}_u^2 + \hat{\sigma}^2}; \quad // \text{Variance explained by partner}$

// **Fit Both Models;**  
 $(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(J)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}^{(J)}, \rho^{(J)}) \leftarrow \text{fit LMM on } y^{(J)};$   
 $(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(F)}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}^{(F)}, \rho^{(F)}) \leftarrow \text{fit LMM on } y^{(F)};$

**return**  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(J)}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(F)}, \{\hat{u}_g\}$ , ICC values;

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**Algorithm 14:** XGBoost Feature Importance with SHAP Decomposition

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**Input:** Feature matrix  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$ , targets  $y^{(J)}, y^{(F)}$ , params:  $T = 100$  trees,  $d = 4$  depth,  $\eta = 0.1$

**Output:** Feature importance rankings, SHAP values for both models

// Feature Engineering;

$\mathbf{X} \leftarrow$   
 $[Age, Week, StageRatio, Ind_1, \dots, Ind_k, Age_1, \dots, Age_m, Partner_{enc}]$ ;

$y^{(F)} \leftarrow \log(y^{(F)} + 10^{-6})$ ; // Log-transform fan share

// Train XGBoost Models;

for target  $y \in \{y^{(J)}, y^{(F)}\}$  do

Initialize  $\hat{y}^{(0)} = 0$ ;

for  $t = 1$  to  $T$  do

$g_i = \frac{\partial \ell(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)})}{\partial \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)}}$ ,  $h_i = \frac{\partial^2 \ell}{\partial (\hat{y}_i^{(t-1)})^2}$ ;

Fit tree  $f_t$  minimizing  $\sum_i [g_i f_t(\mathbf{x}_i) + \frac{1}{2} h_i f_t^2(\mathbf{x}_i)] + \Omega(f_t)$ ;

$\hat{y}^{(t)} = \hat{y}^{(t-1)} + \eta \cdot f_t(\mathbf{x})$ ;

end

end

// SHAP Value Computation (TreeExplainer);

for each model  $\mathcal{M} \in \{\mathcal{M}_J, \mathcal{M}_F\}$  do

for each sample  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and feature  $j$  do

$\phi_j(\mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_{S \subseteq \mathcal{F} \setminus \{j\}} \frac{|S|!(p - |S| - 1)!}{p!} [f_{\mathcal{M}}(S \cup \{j\}) - f_{\mathcal{M}}(S)]$ ;

end

end

// Feature Importance Ranking;

for each feature  $j$  do

$I_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |\phi_j(\mathbf{x}_i)|$ ; // Mean absolute SHAP

end

return Rankings  $\mathcal{R}^{(J)}, \mathcal{R}^{(F)}$ , SHAP matrices  $\Phi^{(J)}, \Phi^{(F)}$ ;

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**Algorithm 15:** Bootstrap Test for Judge vs Fan Effect Differences

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**Input:** Dataset  $\mathcal{D}$ , feature  $f$ , bootstrap iterations  $B = 1000$

**Output:** Effect estimates, confidence intervals, p-values

// Standardize Outcomes;

$y^{(J)} \leftarrow$  standardized judge score (z-score);

$y^{(F)} \leftarrow$  standardized log fan share;

// Bootstrap Resampling;

$\mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}} \leftarrow \emptyset$ ;

**for**  $b = 1$  to  $B$  **do**

    Sample  $\mathcal{D}^{(b)}$  with replacement from  $\mathcal{D}$ ;

    Fit  $\hat{\beta}^{(J,b)} \leftarrow$  OLS of  $y^{(J)}$  on  $f$  using  $\mathcal{D}^{(b)}$ ;

    Fit  $\hat{\beta}^{(F,b)} \leftarrow$  OLS of  $y^{(F)}$  on  $f$  using  $\mathcal{D}^{(b)}$ ;

$\mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}} \cup \{\hat{\beta}^{(J,b)} - \hat{\beta}^{(F,b)}\}$ ;

**end**

// Original Estimates;

$\hat{\beta}^{(J)} \leftarrow$  OLS on full  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}^{(F)} \leftarrow$  OLS on full  $\mathcal{D}$ ;

$\hat{\Delta} \leftarrow \hat{\beta}^{(J)} - \hat{\beta}^{(F)}$ ;

// Confidence Interval & p-value;

$\text{CI}_{95\%} \leftarrow [\text{percentile}(\mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}}, 2.5), \text{percentile}(\mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}}, 97.5)]$ ;

$p \leftarrow 2 \cdot \min \left( \frac{|\{d \in \mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}} : d > 0\}|}{B}, \frac{|\{d \in \mathcal{B}_{\text{diff}} : d < 0\}|}{B} \right)$ ;

$\text{significant} \leftarrow (\text{CI}_{\text{lower}} > 0) \vee (\text{CI}_{\text{upper}} < 0)$ ;

**return**  $(\hat{\beta}^{(J)}, \hat{\beta}^{(F)}, \hat{\Delta}, \text{CI}_{95\%}, p, \text{significant})$ ;

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**Algorithm 16:** Age  $\times$  Industry Interaction Effect Visualization

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**Input:** Dataset  $\mathcal{D}$  with age, industry,  $y^{(J)}$ ,  $y^{(F)}$   
**Output:** Interaction heatmaps for judges and fans

// Create Age Bins;

$$\text{AgeBin} \leftarrow \begin{cases} "125" & \text{if age} < 25 \\ "25-35" & \text{if } 25 \leq \text{age} < 35 \\ "35-45" & \text{if } 35 \leq \text{age} < 45; \\ "45-55" & \text{if } 45 \leq \text{age} < 55 \\ "55+" & \text{if age} \geq 55 \end{cases}$$

// Compute Cell Means;  
for each industry  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  do  
    for each age bin  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  do  
         $\mu_{I,A}^{(J)} \leftarrow \text{mean}(y^{(J)} | \text{Industry} = I, \text{AgeBin} = A);$   
         $\mu_{I,A}^{(F)} \leftarrow \text{mean}(y^{(F)} | \text{Industry} = I, \text{AgeBin} = A);$   
         $n_{I,A} \leftarrow \text{count of samples in cell};$   
    end  
end

// Standardize Fan Share Matrix;  
 $\hat{\mu}^{(F)} \leftarrow \frac{\mu^{(F)} - \bar{\mu}^{(F)}}{\text{std}(\mu^{(F)})};$

// Compute Difference Matrix;  
 $\Delta_{I,A} \leftarrow \mu_{I,A}^{(J)} - \hat{\mu}_{I,A}^{(F)};$

// Generate Heatmaps;  
Plot Judge Score heatmap:  $\mathbf{M}^{(J)}$  with RdYlGn colormap;  
Plot Fan Vote heatmap:  $\tilde{\mathbf{M}}^{(F)}$  with RdYlGn colormap;  
Plot Difference heatmap:  $\Delta$  with PuOr colormap;  
Annotate cells with values and sample sizes;  
return Heatmap figures;

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**Algorithm 17:** Cox Proportional Hazards Model for Elimination Risk

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**Input:** Survival data: time  $T_i$  (weeks survived), event  $\delta_i$  (1=eliminated, 0=winner), covariates  $\mathbf{x}_i$

**Output:** Hazard ratios, survival curves, partner effects

// Prepare Survival Data;

for each contestant  $c$  in season  $s$  do

- $T_c \leftarrow$  eliminated\_week (or max week if winner);
- $\delta_c \leftarrow \mathbf{1}[\text{final\_rank} > 1]$ ; // 1=eliminated, 0=censored
- $\mathbf{x}_c \leftarrow [\text{Age}, \text{Ind}_1, \dots, \text{Ind}_k, \text{Age}_{U25}, \text{Age}_{40-55}, \text{Age}_{55+}]$ ;

end

// Cox Model: Partial Likelihood Estimation;

Hazard function:  $h(t|\mathbf{x}) = h_0(t) \exp(\boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \mathbf{x})$ ;

Partial log-likelihood:;

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i:\delta_i=1} \left[ \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \mathbf{x}_i - \log \sum_{j \in \mathcal{R}(t_i)} \exp(\boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \mathbf{x}_j) \right];$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(t)$  is risk set at time  $t$ ;

Maximize  $\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta})$  via Newton-Raphson;

// Compute Hazard Ratios;

for each covariate  $k$  do

- $\text{HR}_k = \exp(\hat{\beta}_k)$ ;
- $\text{CI}_{95\%} = [\exp(\hat{\beta}_k - 1.96 \cdot \text{SE}_k), \exp(\hat{\beta}_k + 1.96 \cdot \text{SE}_k)]$ ;
- if  $\text{HR}_k > 1$  then Higher elimination risk;
- else Lower elimination risk (protective);

end

// Kaplan-Meier Survival Curves by Group;

for each group  $G \in \{\text{Industries}, \text{AgeBrackets}\}$  do

- $\hat{S}_G(t) = \prod_{t_i \leq t} \left( 1 - \frac{d_i}{n_i} \right)$ ; // K-M estimator
- where  $d_i$  = events at  $t_i$ ,  $n_i$  = at risk at  $t_i$ ;

end

// Pro Partner Survival Analysis;

for each partner  $g$  with  $n_g \geq 5$  do

- $\bar{T}_g \leftarrow$  median survival time;
- $\text{WinRate}_g \leftarrow \frac{|\{c: \text{rank}_c=1, \text{partner}_c=g\}|}{n_g}$ ;
- $\text{Top3Rate}_g \leftarrow \frac{|\{c: \text{rank}_c \leq 3, \text{partner}_c=g\}|}{n_g}$ ;

end

return Hazard ratios, K-M curves, partner survival statistics;

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**Algorithm 18:** Cross-Validation of LMM, XGBoost, and Cox Models

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**Input:** Results from Algorithms 13, 14, 17  
**Output:** Consistency assessment across models

// Extract Effect Directions;

for each feature  $f \in \{Age, Industries, AgeBrackets\}$  do

| sign<sub>LMM</sub><sup>(J)</sup>  $\leftarrow$  sign( $\hat{\beta}_f^{(J)}$ ) ; // LMM judge effect

| sign<sub>LMM</sub><sup>(F)</sup>  $\leftarrow$  sign( $\hat{\beta}_f^{(F)}$ ) ; // LMM fan effect

| sign<sub>XGB</sub>  $\leftarrow$  sign( $\bar{\phi}_f$ ) ; // Mean SHAP direction

| sign<sub>Cox</sub>  $\leftarrow$  sign(log HR<sub>f</sub>) ; // Cox risk direction

end

// Consistency Check;

for each feature  $f$  do

| consistent<sub>f</sub>  $\leftarrow$  (sign<sub>LMM</sub><sup>(J)</sup> = sign<sub>XGB</sub>)  $\wedge$  (sign<sub>LMM</sub><sup>(J)</sup> = -sign<sub>Cox</sub>);  
// Higher score  $\Rightarrow$  lower elimination risk

end

// Partner Effect Consistency;

Compute Spearman correlation::;  
 $r_{LMM-Cox} = \text{corr}(\hat{u}_g^{\text{LMM}}, \text{Top3Rate}_g^{\text{Cox}});$

// Summary Table;

for each feature do

| Report: LMM  $\hat{\beta}$ , XGBoost SHAP rank, Cox HR, consistency flag;

end

return Validation report with consistency metrics;

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**Algorithm 19:** Multi-Objective Optimization with Pareto Frontier

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**Input:** Merged data  $\mathcal{D}$  with judge scores and fan shares, weight grid  
 $\mathbf{w} = [0, 0.05, \dots, 1]$

**Output:** Pareto frontier, objective values for each weight

// Define Objective Functions;

for each weight  $w \in \mathbf{w}$  do

for each (season, week) with  $|\mathcal{W}| \geq 3$  do

// Simulate elimination

$\tilde{s}_i \leftarrow \text{min-max normalized judge score};$

$\tilde{f}_i \leftarrow \text{normalized fan share } (\sum_i \tilde{f}_i = 1);$

$T_i \leftarrow w \cdot \tilde{s}_i + (1 - w) \cdot \tilde{f}_i;$

$e \leftarrow \arg \min_i T_i;$  // Eliminated contestant

$r_e \leftarrow \text{judge rank of eliminated } (1 = \text{highest});$

// Track metrics

$\text{fairness}_w \leftarrow r_e/n;$  // Higher = eliminated low scorer

$\text{robbery}_w \leftarrow \mathbf{1}[r_e \leq 2];$  // Top-2 eliminated

$\text{decisive}_w \leftarrow \mathbf{1}[e \neq e_{w=1}];$  // Fan changed outcome

end

// Aggregate objectives

$F_w \leftarrow \text{fairness}_w;$

$E_w \leftarrow \text{decisive}_w;$  // Engagement

$R_w \leftarrow 1 - \text{robbery}_w;$  // No-Robbery rate

end

// Construct Pareto Frontier;

Sort solutions by engagement descending;

$\mathcal{P} \leftarrow \{(E_w, F_w, R_w) : w \in \mathbf{w}\};$

return Pareto frontier  $\mathcal{P}$ , objective values;

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**Algorithm 20:** Knee Point Detection for Optimal Weight Selection

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**Input:** Pareto frontier  $\mathcal{P} = \{(E_i, F_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ , corresponding weights  $\mathbf{w}$   
**Output:** Knee points  $w_{\text{Kneedle}}^*$ ,  $w_{\text{marginal}}^*$

// Method 1: Kneedle Algorithm;

// Normalize to [0, 1]

$$\tilde{E}_i \leftarrow (E_i - E_{\min}) / (E_{\max} - E_{\min});$$
$$\tilde{F}_i \leftarrow (F_i - F_{\min}) / (F_{\max} - F_{\min});$$

// Line from first to last point:  $ax + by + c = 0$

$$a \leftarrow \tilde{F}_n - \tilde{F}_1, \quad b \leftarrow -(\tilde{E}_n - \tilde{E}_1);$$
$$c \leftarrow (\tilde{E}_n - \tilde{E}_1)\tilde{F}_1 - (\tilde{F}_n - \tilde{F}_1)\tilde{E}_1;$$

for each point  $i$  do

$$d_i \leftarrow \frac{a\tilde{E}_i + b\tilde{F}_i + c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}; \quad // \text{Distance to baseline}$$

end

$$i_{\text{Kneedle}}^* \leftarrow \arg \max_i d_i;$$
$$w_{\text{Kneedle}}^* \leftarrow w_{i^*};$$

// Method 2: Marginal Cost Analysis;

for  $i = 2$  to  $n$  do

$$\Delta F \leftarrow F_i - F_{i-1};$$
$$\Delta E \leftarrow E_i - E_{i-1};$$
$$MC_i \leftarrow \begin{cases} -\Delta F / \Delta E & |\Delta E| > 0.001 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases};$$

end

$$MC_{\max} \leftarrow \max_i MC_i;$$
$$i_{\text{marginal}}^* \leftarrow \min\{i : MC_i < 0.5 \cdot MC_{\max} \wedge MC_{i-1} \geq 0.5 \cdot MC_{\max}\};$$
$$w_{\text{marginal}}^* \leftarrow w_{i^*};$$

return  $w_{\text{Kneedle}}^*$ ,  $w_{\text{marginal}}^*$ ;

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**Algorithm 21:** Dynamic Sigmoid Weight Function with Grid Search

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**Input:** Knee points  $w_{\min}^* \approx 0.2$ ,  $w_{\max}^* \approx 0.6$ , parameter grids  
**Output:** Optimal sigmoid parameters  $(w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k)$

// Sigmoid Weight Function;

**Function** SigmoidWeight( $t, t_{\max}, w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k$ ):

|  $t_{\text{mid}} \leftarrow t_{\max}/2$ ;  
|  $t_{\text{norm}} \leftarrow (t - t_{\text{mid}})/(t_{\max}/4)$ ;  
| **return**  $w_{\min} + \frac{w_{\max} - w_{\min}}{1 + \exp(-k \cdot t_{\text{norm}})}$ ;

// Grid Search Optimization;

$\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \{0.2, 0.3, 0.4\} \times \{0.6, 0.7, 0.8\} \times \{0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 1.9, 2.0\}$ ;

**for** each  $(w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k) \in \mathcal{G}$  with  $w_{\min} < w_{\max}$  **do**

**for** each season  $s$  **do**

**for** each week  $t$  **do**

$w(t) \leftarrow \text{SigmoidWeight}(t, t_{\max}^s, w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k)$ ;  
Simulate elimination with weight  $w(t)$ ;

**end**

**end**

Compute  $(F, E, R)$  for this parameter set;  
 $\text{composite} \leftarrow 0.4 \cdot F + 0.3 \cdot E + 0.3 \cdot R$ ;

**end**

$(w_{\min}^*, w_{\max}^*, k^*) \leftarrow \arg \max \text{composite}$ ;

**return** Optimal parameters:  $w_{\min}^* = 0.2$ ,  $w_{\max}^* = 0.6$ ,  $k^* = 1.9$ ;

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**Algorithm 22:** Hybrid Dynamic Weight with Week-7 Bottom-2 Rule

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**Input:** Season data, sigmoid params ( $w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k$ ), switch week  
 $t_{B2} = 7$

**Output:** Elimination decision for each week

**for** each week  $t$  in season **do**

$w(t) \leftarrow \text{SigmoidWeight}(t, t_{\max}, w_{\min}, w_{\max}, k);$

$T_i \leftarrow w(t) \cdot \tilde{s}_i + (1 - w(t)) \cdot \tilde{f}_i$  for all  $i$ ;

**if**  $t < t_{B2}$  **then**

// Standard elimination: lowest total score

$e \leftarrow \arg \min_i T_i;$

**else**

// Bottom-2 rule: judges decide between lowest two

$(b_1, b_2) \leftarrow$  two contestants with lowest  $T_i$ ;

**if**  $s_{b_1} < s_{b_2}$  **then**

$e \leftarrow b_1$ ; // Judges eliminate lower scorer

**else**

$e \leftarrow b_2$ ;

**end**

**end**

Record elimination  $e$  and metrics;

**end**

**return** Season elimination sequence, fairness/engagement metrics;

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**Algorithm 23:** Controversial Case Validation with Proposed System

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**Input:** Historical cases  $\mathcal{C} = \{\text{Bobby Bones, Jerry Rice, Sabrina Bryan, Bristol Palin}\}$

**Output:** Comparison of outcomes under current vs proposed system

// Define Systems;

$\mathcal{S}_{\text{current}} \leftarrow w = 0.5$  (fixed);

$\mathcal{S}_{\text{proposed}} \leftarrow w(t) = 0.2 + 0.4/(1 + \exp(-1.9 \cdot t_{\text{norm}}))$ ;

// Simulate Each Case;

for each case  $(c, s) \in \mathcal{C}$  do

$\mathcal{D}_s \leftarrow$  season  $s$  data;

for each week  $t$  contestant  $c$  participated do

// Current system simulation

Rank  $c$  by combined score with  $w = 0.5$ ;

$r_{\text{current}}(t) \leftarrow$  combined rank of  $c$ ;

// Proposed system simulation

$w(t) \leftarrow \text{SigmoidWeight}(t, t_{\text{max}}, 0.2, 0.6, 1.9)$ ;

Rank  $c$  by combined score with  $w(t)$ ;

$r_{\text{proposed}}(t) \leftarrow$  combined rank of  $c$ ;

$\text{at\_risk}_{\text{current}}(t) \leftarrow \mathbf{1}[r_{\text{current}}(t) = n]$ ;

$\text{at\_risk}_{\text{proposed}}(t) \leftarrow \mathbf{1}[r_{\text{proposed}}(t) = n]$ ;

end

Store trajectory  $\{r_{\text{current}}(t), r_{\text{proposed}}(t)\}_{t=1}^{T_c}$ ;

end

// Count Robberies System-Wide;

for each system  $\mathcal{S} \in \{\mathcal{S}_{\text{current}}, \mathcal{S}_{\text{proposed}}\}$  do

$N_{\text{robbery}}^{\mathcal{S}} \leftarrow |\{(s, w) : \text{eliminated had judge rank } \leq 2\}|$ ;

end

$\Delta_{\text{robbery}} \leftarrow N_{\text{robbery}}^{\text{current}} - N_{\text{robbery}}^{\text{proposed}}$ ;

return Case trajectories, robbery reduction  $\Delta_{\text{robbery}}$ ;

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**Algorithm 24:** Composite Benefit Function Optimization

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**Input:** Objective values ( $F, E, R$ ) for each system configuration  
**Output:** Optimal configuration maximizing total benefit  
// Define Composite Benefit;  
 $B(F, E, R) = \alpha_F \cdot F + \alpha_E \cdot E + \alpha_R \cdot R$ ;  
where  $\alpha_F = 0.4$ ,  $\alpha_E = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha_R = 0.3$ ;  
// Compare Configurations;  
 $B_{\text{current}} \leftarrow B(F_{w=0.5}, E_{w=0.5}, R_{w=0.5})$ ;  
 $B_{\text{sigmoid}} \leftarrow B(F_{\text{sigmoid}}, E_{\text{sigmoid}}, R_{\text{sigmoid}})$ ;  
 $B_{\text{hybrid}} \leftarrow B(F_{\text{hybrid}}, E_{\text{hybrid}}, R_{\text{hybrid}})$ ;  
// Select Best System;  
 $S^* \leftarrow \arg \max_S B(S)$ ;  
// Quantify Improvements;  
 $\Delta_{\text{fairness}} \leftarrow F^* - F_{\text{current}}$ ;  
 $\Delta_{\text{engagement}} \leftarrow E^* - E_{\text{current}}$ ;  
 $\Delta_{\text{robbery}} \leftarrow R^* - R_{\text{current}}$ ;  
**return** Optimal system  $S^*$ , improvements  $(\Delta_F, \Delta_E, \Delta_R)$ ;

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**Algorithm 25:** Temporal Sensitivity Analysis: Era Comparison

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**Input:** Feature data  $\mathcal{D}$ , era split point  $s_{\text{split}} = 15$   
**Output:** Era-specific coefficients and stability assessment

// Split Data by Era;  
 $\mathcal{D}_{\text{early}} \leftarrow \{d \in \mathcal{D} : s_d \leq s_{\text{split}}\}$ ; // S1-S15  
 $\mathcal{D}_{\text{late}} \leftarrow \{d \in \mathcal{D} : s_d > s_{\text{split}}\}$ ; // S16-S31

// Define LMM Formula;  
Formula: score\_zscore  $\sim$  age +  $\mathbf{C}(\text{Industry}) + \text{week}$ ;  
Random effect: (ballroom\_partner);

// Fit LMM for Each Era;  
for each dataset  $\mathcal{D}_e \in \{\mathcal{D}_{\text{full}}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{early}}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{late}}\}$  do  
    Fit mixed model: score =  $\mathbf{X}\beta + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{u} + \epsilon$ ;  
    // Extract key coefficients  
     $\beta_{\text{age}}^{(e)} \leftarrow$  coefficient for age;  
     $\text{CI}_{\text{age}}^{(e)} \leftarrow$  95% confidence interval;  
     $\beta_{\text{Model}}^{(e)} \leftarrow$  coefficient for Industry = Model;  
     $\text{CI}_{\text{Model}}^{(e)} \leftarrow$  95% confidence interval;  
    // Calculate Intraclass Correlation  
     $\sigma_{\text{partner}}^2 \leftarrow \text{Var}(\mathbf{u})$ ;  
     $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2 \leftarrow \text{Var}(\epsilon)$ ;  
     $\text{ICC}^{(e)} \leftarrow \sigma_{\text{partner}}^2 / (\sigma_{\text{partner}}^2 + \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$ ;  
    Store  $(\beta_{\text{age}}^{(e)}, \beta_{\text{Model}}^{(e)}, \text{ICC}^{(e)}, \text{CI})$ ;

end

// Assess Stability;  
 $\Delta_{\text{age}} \leftarrow \beta_{\text{age}}^{\text{late}} - \beta_{\text{age}}^{\text{early}}$ ;  
 $\Delta_{\text{Model}} \leftarrow \beta_{\text{Model}}^{\text{late}} - \beta_{\text{Model}}^{\text{early}}$ ;  
 $\Delta_{\text{ICC}} \leftarrow \text{ICC}^{\text{late}} - \text{ICC}^{\text{early}}$ ;

// Robustness criteria  
Stable  $\leftarrow (\text{sign}(\beta_{\text{age}}^{\text{early}}) = \text{sign}(\beta_{\text{age}}^{\text{late}})) \wedge (\text{sign}(\beta_{\text{Model}}^{\text{early}}) = \text{sign}(\beta_{\text{Model}}^{\text{late}}))$ ;

return Era coefficients, confidence intervals,  $(\Delta_{\text{age}}, \Delta_{\text{Model}}, \Delta_{\text{ICC}})$ ,  
Stable;

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**Algorithm 26:** Parameter Sensitivity Analysis

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**Input:** Data  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $w_{\max} \in [0.5, 0.7]$ ,  $k \in [1.0, 3.0]$   
**Output:** Sensitivity heatmap  $\mathbf{M}$ , optimal parameters  
Initialize grid  $\mathbf{M}_{21 \times 21}$ ,  $w_{\min} \leftarrow 0.20$ ;  
**for** each  $w_{\max} \in \text{linspace}(0.50, 0.70, 21)$  **do**  
    **for** each  $k \in \text{linspace}(1.0, 3.0, 21)$  **do**  
        **for** each  $(s, t) \in \mathcal{D}$  **do**  
             $w(t) \leftarrow w_{\min} + (w_{\max} - w_{\min}) / (1 + \exp(-k \cdot t_{\text{norm}}))$ ;  
             $T_i \leftarrow w(t) \cdot \tilde{s}_i + (1 - w(t)) \cdot \tilde{f}_i$ ;  
        **end**  
         $F \leftarrow$  mean relative rank of eliminated;  
         $R \leftarrow$  robbery rate (judge rank  $\leq 2$ );  
         $E \leftarrow 1 - \bar{w}$ ;  
         $\mathbf{M}[w_{\max}, k] \leftarrow 0.4F + 0.3E + 0.3(1 - R)$ ;  
    **end**  
**end**  
 $(w_{\max}^*, k^*) \leftarrow (0.60, 1.90)$  from optimal region;  
**return** Heatmap  $\mathbf{M}$ , optimal  $(w_{\max}^*, k^*)$ ;

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**Algorithm 27:** Monte Carlo Noise Robustness Analysis

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**Input:** Season data,  $N_{\text{sim}} = 50000$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{noise}} = 0.15$ , targets  $\mathcal{T}$   
**Output:** Rank trajectories with 95% CI, danger probabilities  
**for** each target  $(c, s) \in \mathcal{T}$  **do**  
     $\mathcal{D}_s \leftarrow$  season  $s$  data, initialize  $\mathbf{R}_c$ ;  
    **for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $N_{\text{sim}}$  **do**  
         $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\text{noise}}^2)$ ;  
         $\tilde{f}_{\text{noisy}} \leftarrow \text{clip}(f \cdot (1 + \epsilon), 0.001, 0.999)$ ;  
         $\tilde{f}_{\text{norm}} \leftarrow \tilde{f}_{\text{noisy}} / \sum_j \tilde{f}_{\text{noisy},j}$ ;  
        **for** each week  $t$  **do**  
             $w(t) \leftarrow \text{SigmoidWeight}(t, t_{\max}, 0.20, 0.60, 1.90)$ ;  
             $T_i \leftarrow w(t) \cdot \tilde{s}_i + (1 - w(t)) \cdot \tilde{f}_{\text{norm},i}$ ;  
             $r_c^{(i)}(t) \leftarrow$  rank of  $c$ ;  
        **end**  
        Append  $\{r_c^{(i)}(t)\}_t$  to  $\mathbf{R}_c$ ;  
    **end**  
    **for** each week  $t$  **do**  
         $\bar{r}_c(t) \leftarrow \text{mean}(\mathbf{R}_c[:, t])$ ;  
         $\text{CI}_{95}(t) \leftarrow [\text{quantile}_{0.025}, \text{quantile}_{0.975}]$ ;  
         $P_{\text{danger}}(t) \leftarrow \Pr(r_c(t) \leq 2)$ ;  
    **end**  
**end**  
**return** Trajectories  $\{\bar{r}_c(t), \text{CI}_{95}(t)\}$ ,  $P_{\text{danger}}$ ;

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