Internship Final Report

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Company: ShadowFox

Domain: Data Science

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Objectives

My primary objectives for this internship were to:

- 1. Apply data science concepts to evaluate cricket fielding performance.
- 2. Learn how to collect, structure, and analyze sports performance data.
- 3. Interpret fielding metrics to derive actionable insights.

Tasks and Responsibilities

- **Data Collection:** Collected detailed fielding data for 3 players from an IPL T20 match using provided match logs.
- **Data Structuring:** Structured the dataset using required attributes like Player Name, Position, Type of Pick, Throw Outcome, Runs Saved/Conceded.
- **Performance Metrics Calculation:** Applied weighted scoring formula to compute performance scores for each player.
- Analysis and Insights: Interpreted fielding contributions, strengths, and improvement areas for each player.
- **Report Generation:** Documented the entire analysis pipeline and insights into a final formatted report.

Learning Outcomes

- Developed an analytical mindset for sports performance metrics.
- Gained hands-on skills in field data collection and formatting.
- Learned how weighted performance metrics provide richer insights.
- Improved documentation and presentation abilities.

Challenges and Solutions

- Ambiguous Descriptions: Some fielding descriptions were vague. Solution: standardized values using predefined labels like "clean pick", "run out", etc.
- Manual Data Entry: Event-level tracking was time-consuming. Solution: Cross-checked using match commentary logs and auto-filtering techniques.

Conclusion

This project gave me practical exposure to data analysis in a sports context. Understanding fielding metrics and applying them to real IPL match data taught me the value of precision, structure, and scoring systems in decision-making.

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