

Optimizing Rugby Training Under Fatigue

Data Me Down

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Properly defining and measuring fatigue will lead to significant increase in player performance and well-being

Problem Statement

In our analysis, the Data Me Down team attempts to identify, using regression techniques:

- (1) the factors that allow us to **define** and **measure fatigue**, and
- (2) how we can **optimize** our **program** around **predicted fatigue** throughout the season to **maximize game performance**.

Solution

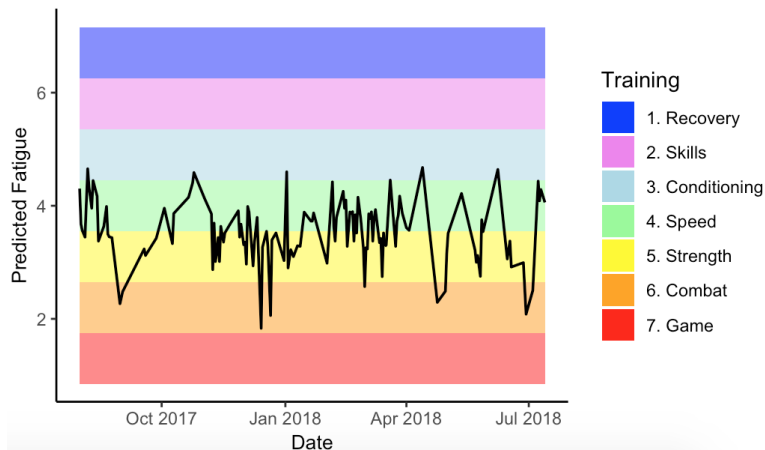
Our solution consists of a two-prong **load management approach**.

- (1) We have created an interactive line chart that shows the predicted fatigue of all players on each given day. This is used to **assign a training regime** that will allow a player to perform training that will push them **optimally**.
- (2) Graphic that shows **how many times** each training regime was prescribed for a **given player**. Based on this figure, we can identify ways to **improve certain types of training** or **identify players** that spend **greater than average time with high fatigue** and address their lifestyle habits to reduce time spent in fatigue.

Fatigue Over Time

Predicted Player Fatigue Each Day

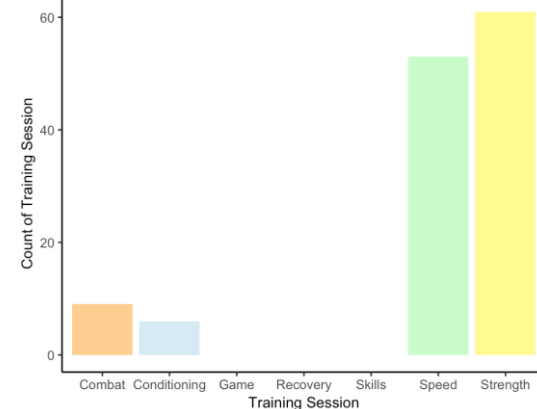
Data for Player 5



Training Regime Quantity/Player

Training Sessions for Player 5

Data for Player 5





Optimization of training regime will produce significant economic impact

Regression Predicting Fatigue					
Predicted Fatigue	Coef.	P-value	Model Characteristics		Comments
Soreness	0.2601	0.000	R-square	0.961	<i>We ran a number of models to accurately predict and define “Fatigue”; this model was the most accurate for our purposes. All predictors are significant and 96.1% of the variation in y-hat is explained by our predictors. This model also fulfills all 4 key assumptions to validate our model.</i>
Desire	0.3215	0.000	F-sig	0.000	
Irritability	0.1616	0.000			
Illness	-0.1065	0.000			
SleepIndex	0.0233	0.000			

Economic Impact

Cost Savings	
Injuries per Season	22
Expected Value of Cost per Injur	\$159,000
Total Cost Savings on Injury	\$3,498,000

Revenue Generation	
Sponsorships	\$539,000
Sale of Merchandise	\$286,000
Total Increase in Revenues	\$825,000

Total Financial Benefit	\$4,323,000
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