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#Group Project - Human Resources analytics for employee attrition

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#### **#1.** Executive summary

#The aim of this project is to perform data exploration and build models to p redict whether an employee will stay or leave the company. We have IBM attrit ion data set to perform this task. Before building the model, we check the nu ll values, transform data types and select variables. After that, we build mo dels and decide the best one based on accuracy and sensitivity since our focu s is to check which employee is likely to leave the company. Additionally, we use ROC plot to confirm our decision on model selection. At the end of this p roject, we get to know what are the important variables impacting the attrition so that the company can take actions to reduce the attrition rate.

#### #2.Project motivation

#A recruiter's role has evolved over the years. Earlier, they were only responsible for filling up vacancies arising out of a new role or requirement, or an employee moving out. In the current context, a recruiter has a bigger role to play. Organizations now understand that their biggest asset is their workf orce, which explains why there is an increasing emphasis on finding and attracting the best talent. This growing competition for talent is also a result of rising candidate awareness. High-performance employees understand they are a valuable asset and therefore perform comprehensive analysis before committing to a particular organization.

#Job search is no longer a tedious process. In this smart age, job seekers ar e constantly checking out newer and better opportunities on the go, or even, while at work. Thus, the role of a recruiter, hiring manager, or talent acqui sition specialist has grown manifold. From filling up vacant positions to fin ding and hiring top talent, to retaining trained workforce, it's a tough task at hand. And HR analytics can help businesses make smarter decisions.

#### #3.Data description

#Uncover the factors that lead to employee attrition and explore important qu estions such as 'show me a breakdown of distance from home by job role and at trition' or 'compare average monthly income by education and attrition'. This is a fictional data set created by IBM data scientists.

Variable	Description	Values
Age	Age of the Employee	
Attrition	If a person has left the organization or not	"yes" or "no"

Business Travel	Travel is undertaken for work or business purposes	"Non-Travel" or "Travel-Frequently" or "Travel-Rarely"
Daily Rate	Rate/cost of an employee for an entire workday	
Department	The departments in which the employees work	"Sales", "Research", development" and "Human Resources"
Distance	The number of miles an employee has to travel to get to work	
Education	Level of study	1 'Below College' 2 'College' 3 'Bachelor' 4 'Master' 5 'Doctor'
Education Field	The field of study	
Employee Count	The employee count is the number of employees	
Employee Number	It is the ID of the employee	
Environment Satisfaction	The employee satisfaction level about the work environment in the organization	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Very High'
Gender	Gender of the Employee	"Male" or "Female"
Hourly Rate	Amount of money that is paid or earned for every hour worked	
Job Involvement	It refers to the psychological and emotional extent to which employee participates in his/her work, profession, and company	'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Very High'
Job Level	Level of the job containing ordinal values	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Highest'
Job Role	Type of the job role of the employee	
Job Satisfaction	Level of Satisfaction of the employee	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Very High'

Marital Status	Marital Status of the employee	"Single" or "Married" or "Divorced"
Monthly Income	The monthly wage of an employee	
Monthly Rate	Amount of money that is paid or earned for every month worked by the employee	
Num Companies Worked	The number of companies the employee has worked prior to joining the organization	
Over 18	If the employee is above 18 or not	"Y" or "N"
Over Time	If the employee works overtime or not	"Yes" or "No"
Percentage Salary Hike	Percentage of the previous hike of the employee.	
Performance Rating	Rating of employee's performance	1 'Low' 2 'Good' 3 'Excellent' 4 'Outstanding'
Relationship Satisfaction	Employee satisfaction for the professional relationships within the organization	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Very High'
Standard Hours	Working hours of the employee	
Stock Options Level	Level of the stock option provided by the organization to the employee containing ordinal values	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Highest'
Total Working Years	Overall working experience of the employee	
Training Times Last Year	Number of times training has been provided to the employee in the previous year	
Work-Life Balance	Describes the balance that a working individual needs between time	1: 'Low', 2: 'Medium', 3: 'High', 4: 'Very High'
Years At Company	Number of years the employee has been at the company	

Years in Current Role	Number of years employee has worked in the current role	
Years Since Promotion	Number of years since employee received last promotion	
Years with Curr Manager	Number of years working with the manager	

```
#4. Exploratory Data Analysis
#4.1.Data preparation
#4.1.1.Data importation
library(tidyverse)
## — Attaching packages -
         — tidyverse 1.2.1 —
## √ ggplot2 3.1.0
                       √ purrr
                                  0.2.5
## √ tibble 2.0.1

√ dplyr

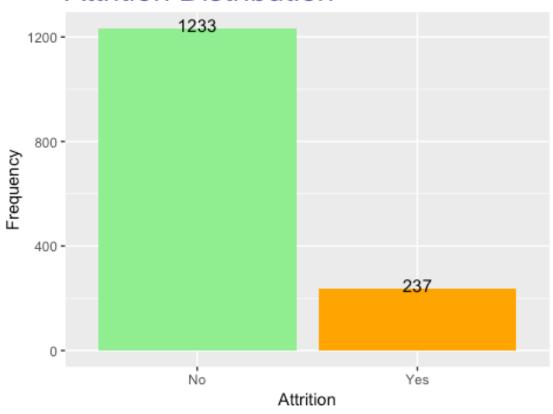
                                  0.7.8
## √ tidyr 0.8.2
                       ✓ stringr 1.3.1
## √ readr 1.3.1

√ forcats 0.3.0

## — Conflicts —
—— tidyverse_conflicts() —
## * dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## * dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
myfile <- read.csv('WA_Fn-UseC_-HR-Employee-Attrition.csv')</pre>
#4.1.2.Missing value check
#Dataset is clean, there is no missing value.
colnames(myfile)[colSums(is.na(myfile))>0]
## character(0)
#4.1.3. Unwanted variables removal
#We found that there is EmployeeNumber variable which is in numeric form and
which is not necessary for us to run model because it is actually employee ID
#In addition, there are three variables (EmployeeCount, StandardHours, and Ov
er18) in which there is only one same value for across observations. For exam
ple, all observations have the same value which is "1" at EmployeeCount varia
ble.
#Since those variables are not meaningful for our model, we remove them from
dataset.
```

```
myfile$EmployeeNumber <- NULL
myfile$EmployeeCount <- NULL</pre>
myfile$StandardHours <- NULL</pre>
myfile$Over18 <- NULL</pre>
#4.1.4.Data type transformation
#There are many categorical variables which are in numeric type. For example,
Education variable describes education levels of an employee, such as "Colleg
e", "Bachelor", "Master", etc. Therefore, this variable should be categorical
, not numeric one.
#In total, there are such ten variables: Education, EnvinromentSatisfaction,
JobInvolvement, JobLevel, JobStatisfaction, PerformanceRating, RelationshipSa
tisfaction, StockOptionLevel, TrainingTimesLastYear, and WorkLifeBalance.
#Therefore, we transform those variables to categorical ones by using as.fact
or()
myfile$Education <- as.factor(myfile$Education)</pre>
myfile$EnvironmentSatisfaction <- as.factor(myfile$EnvironmentSatisfaction)</pre>
myfile$JobInvolvement <- as.factor(myfile$JobInvolvement)</pre>
myfile$JobLevel <- as.factor(myfile$JobLevel)</pre>
myfile$JobSatisfaction <- as.factor(myfile$JobSatisfaction)</pre>
myfile$PerformanceRating <- as.factor(myfile$PerformanceRating)</pre>
myfile$RelationshipSatisfaction <- as.factor(myfile$RelationshipSatisfaction)</pre>
myfile$StockOptionLevel <- as.factor(myfile$StockOptionLevel)</pre>
myfile$TrainingTimesLastYear <- as.factor(myfile$TrainingTimesLastYear)</pre>
myfile$WorkLifeBalance <- as.factor(myfile$WorkLifeBalance)</pre>
#4.2.Data exploration
#4.2.1. Attrition variable distribution
#Reponse data (Attribution) is imbalanced between two classes: 1233 "No" vs.
237 "Yes". Therefore, this may bias our prediction. In other words, our predi
ction result will have more "No" than "Yes".
#We may consider SMOTE to balance it.
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=Attrition))+
  geom bar(fill=c('LightGreen','Orange'))+
  geom text(aes(label=..count..), stat='count', vjust=0.2, size=4)+
  ggtitle('Attrition Distribution')+
  scale_y_continuous(name='Frequency')+
  theme(plot.title=element text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

### Attrition Distribution



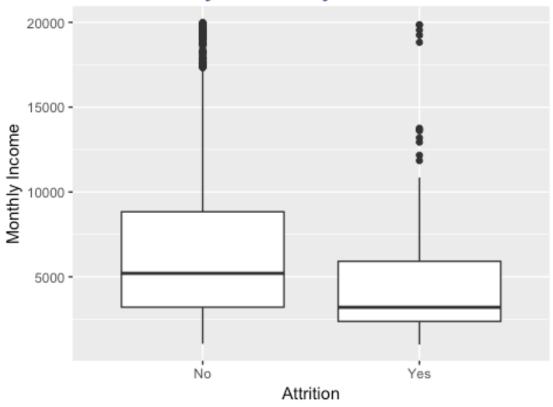
#4.2.2.Relationship between Attrition and Remuneration (MonthlyIncome and MonthlyRate)

#Employees with low monthly income have a higher attrition rate, compared to those with high monthly income.

#However, regarding monthly rate, there is no difference in attrition rate be tween two groups of employees who resigned and who stay with the company. #Therefore, we can see that, no matter what pay rate employees can earn, their concern is actual income in each month. This remark needs to be taken in consideration when we want to make any change regarding remuneration.

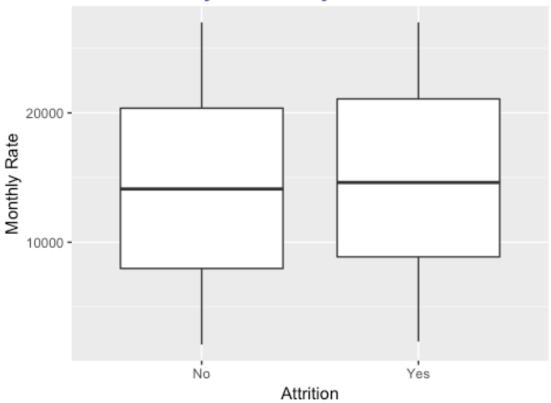
```
ggplot(data=myfile)+
  geom_boxplot(aes(x=Attrition, y=MonthlyIncome))+
  ggtitle('Attrition by Monthly Income')+
  scale_y_continuous(name='Monthly Income')+
  theme(plot.title=element text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

# Attrition by Monthly Income



```
ggplot(data=myfile)+
  geom_boxplot(aes(x=Attrition, y=MonthlyRate))+
  ggtitle('Attrition by Monthly Rate')+
  scale_y_continuous(name='Monthly Rate')+
  theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

### Attrition by Monthly Rate



#4.2.3.Relationship between Attrition and Job (JobRole and JobLevel) #Senior level such as Directors and Managers has higher age and also has high er monthly income. This group of employees tend to stay in the company. Compa red to senior level, junior level such as Laboratory Technicians, Sales Repre sentatives, Hunan Resources is younger but has lower monthly income. The latt er group actually contributes to high attrition rate of the company. #When we split attrition rate among job level, the result is consistent with our findings from previous part. Employees with low job levels (level 1, 2, 3 ) have a higher attrition rate, compared to those with higher job levels (lev el 4 and 5). Again, low job levels are actually junior level, while high job levels are senior level. ggplot(data=myfile)+ geom point(aes(x=Age, y=MonthlyIncome, color=JobRole))+ ggtitle('Monthly Income vs. Age vs. Job Role')+ scale y continuous(name='Monthly Income')+ scale color discrete(name='Job Role')+ theme(plot.title=element text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))

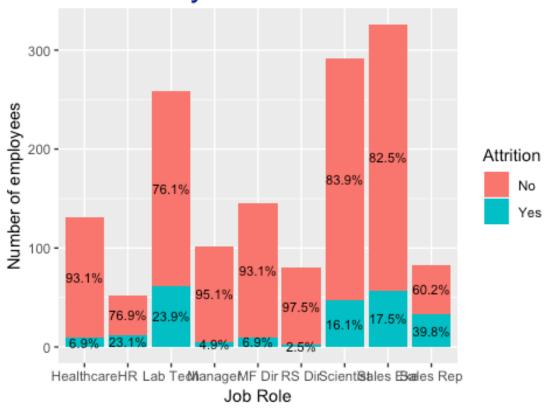
### Monthly Income vs. Age vs. Job Ro



```
jobrole <- myfile%>%
  group by(JobRole)%>%
  count(Attrition)%>%
  mutate(AttritionRate=scales::percent(n/sum(n)))
jobrole
## # A tibble: 18 x 4
## # Groups:
               JobRole [9]
##
      JobRole
                                 Attrition
                                                n AttritionRate
##
      <fct>
                                 <fct>
                                           kint> kchr>
##
    1 Healthcare Representative No
                                              122 93.1%
##
    2 Healthcare Representative Yes
                                                9 6.9%
                                              40 76.9%
    3 Human Resources
##
                                 No
                                               12 23.1%
##
  4 Human Resources
                                 Yes
                                              197 76.1%
## 5 Laboratory Technician
                                 No
    6 Laboratory Technician
                                 Yes
                                               62 23.9%
##
##
    7 Manager
                                              97 95.1%
                                 No
    8 Manager
                                                5 4.9%
##
                                 Yes
    9 Manufacturing Director
                                 No
                                              135 93.1%
                                               10 6.9%
## 10 Manufacturing Director
                                 Yes
## 11 Research Director
                                 No
                                               78 97.5%
## 12 Research Director
                                                2 2.5%
                                 Yes
## 13 Research Scientist
                                              245 83.9%
                                 No
```

```
## 14 Research Scientist
                                 Yes
                                              47 16.1%
## 15 Sales Executive
                                             269 82.5%
                                 No
## 16 Sales Executive
                                 Yes
                                              57 17.5%
## 17 Sales Representative
                                 No
                                              50 60.2%
## 18 Sales Representative
                                              33 39.8%
                                 Yes
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=JobRole, fill=Attrition))+
  geom bar()+
  geom_text(data=jobrole, aes(y=n,label=AttritionRate), position=position_sta
ck(vjust=0.5), size=3)+
  ggtitle('Attrition by Job Role')+
  scale_x_discrete(name='Job Role', label=c('Healthcare', 'HR', 'Lab Tech', 'Man
ager', 'MF Dir', 'RS Dir', 'Scientist', 'Sales Exe', 'Sales Rep'))+
  scale y continuous(name='Number of employees')+
  theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

# Attrition by Job Role

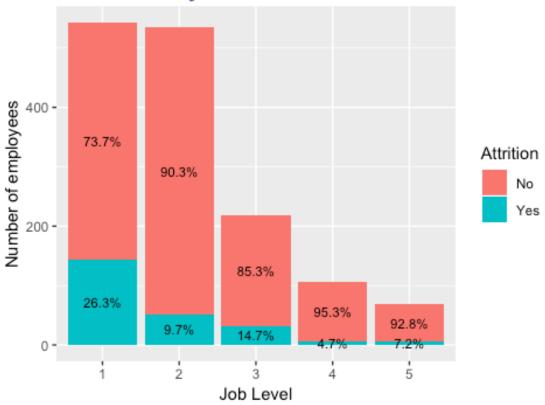


level <- myfile%>%
 group\_by(JobLevel)%>%
 count(Attrition)%>%
 mutate(AttritionRate=scales::percent(n/sum(n)))
level

## # A tibble: 10 x 4
## # Groups: JobLevel [5]

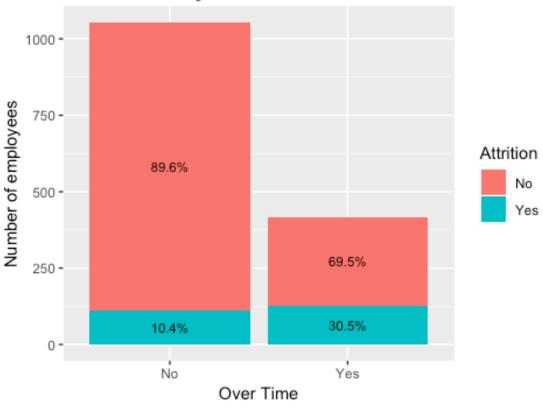
```
JobLevel Attrition
                              n AttritionRate
##
##
      <fct>
               <fct>
                          <int> <chr>
                            400 73.7%
##
    1 1
               No
    2 1
                            143 26.3%
##
               Yes
    3 2
                            482 90.3%
##
               No
##
    4 2
               Yes
                             52 9.7%
    5 3
                            186 85.3%
##
               No
##
    6 3
               Yes
                             32 14.7%
##
   7 4
                            101 95.3%
               No
    8 4
                              5 4.7%
##
               Yes
##
   9 5
                             64 92.8%
               No
                              5 7.2%
## 10 5
               Yes
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=JobLevel, fill=Attrition))+
  geom_bar()+
  geom_text(data=level, aes(y=n,label=AttritionRate), position=position_stack
(vjust=0.5), size=3)+
  ggtitle('Attrition by Job Level')+
  scale_x_discrete(name='Job Level')+
  scale y continuous(name='Number of employees')+
  theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

# Attrition by Job Level



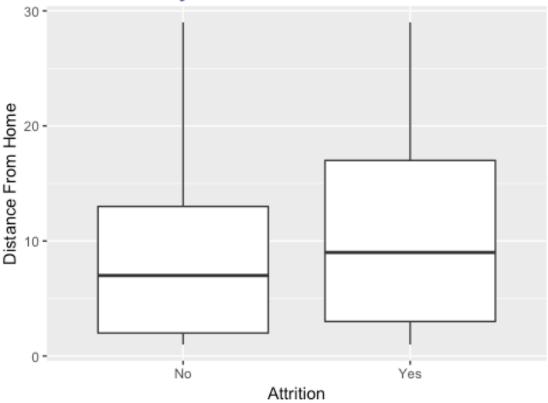
```
#4.2.4.Relationship between Attrition and Work Load (OverTime)
#It makes sense that employees who have high work load which requires them to
work overtime tend to have higher attrition rate. Meanwhile, for those who do
not need to do overtime, they tend to stay with the company.
ot <- myfile%>%
 group_by(OverTime)%>%
 count(Attrition)%>%
 mutate(AttritionRate=scales::percent(n/sum(n)))
## # A tibble: 4 x 4
## # Groups:
              OverTime [2]
    OverTime Attrition
                           n AttritionRate
##
     <fct>
             <fct>
                       <int> <chr>
## 1 No
                         944 89.6%
             No
## 2 No
             Yes
                          110 10.4%
## 3 Yes
                          289 69.5%
             No
## 4 Yes
            Yes
                          127 30.5%
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=OverTime, fill=Attrition))+
 geom_bar()+
 geom_text(data=ot, aes(y=n,label=AttritionRate), position=position_stack(vj
ust=0.5), size=3)+
 ggtitle('Attrition by Over Time')+
 scale x discrete(name='Over Time')+
 scale_y_continuous(name='Number of employees')+
theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

# Attrition by Over Time



#4.2.5.Relationship between Attrition and Location (DistanceFromHome)
#Employees who live far from office tend to have a higher attrition rate, com
pared to those who live nearby office area. It turns out that office location
ggplot(data=myfile)+
 geom\_boxplot(aes(x=Attrition, y=DistanceFromHome))+
 ggtitle('Attrition by Distance From Home')+
 scale\_y\_continuous(name='Distance From Home')+
 theme(plot.title=element\_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))

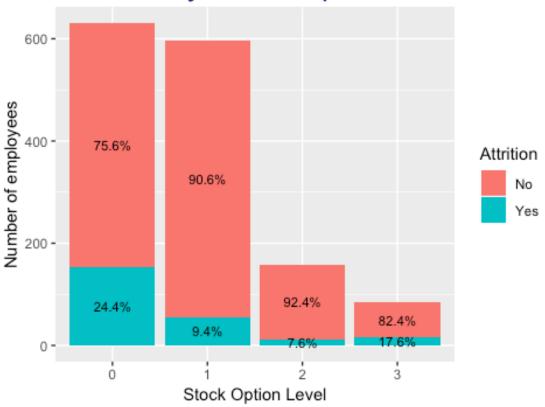
### Attrition by Distance From Home



```
#4.2.6.Relationship between Attrition and Privilege (StockOptionLevel)
#It is signaled that stock level is one of important factors which impact att
rition rate. Employees who have higher stock level tend to be more engaged an
d to stay with the company. In contrast, employees with lower stock level ten
d to Leave the company.
stock <- myfile%>%
  group by(StockOptionLevel)%>%
  count(Attrition)%>%
  mutate(AttritionRate=scales::percent(n/sum(n)))
stock
## # A tibble: 8 x 4
## # Groups:
               StockOptionLevel [4]
##
     StockOptionLevel Attrition
                                     n AttritionRate
##
     <fct>
                      <fct>
                                 <int> <chr>>
## 1 0
                      No
                                   477 75.6%
## 2 0
                      Yes
                                   154 24.4%
## 3 1
                                   540 90.6%
                      No
## 4 1
                      Yes
                                    56 9.4%
                                   146 92.4%
## 5 2
                      No
## 6 2
                      Yes
                                    12 7.6%
## 7 3
                                    70 82.4%
                      No
                                    15 17.6%
## 8 3
                      Yes
```

```
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=StockOptionLevel, fill=Attrition))+
  geom_bar()+
  geom_text(data=stock, aes(y=n,label=AttritionRate), position=position_stack
(vjust=0.5), size=3)+
  ggtitle('Attrition by Stock Option Level')+
  scale_x_discrete(name='Stock Option Level')+
  scale_y_continuous(name='Number of employees')+
  theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

# Attrition by Stock Option Level



```
#5.Models and analysis

#5.1.Data split
require(DMwR)

## Loading required package: DMwR

## Loading required package: lattice

## Loading required package: grid

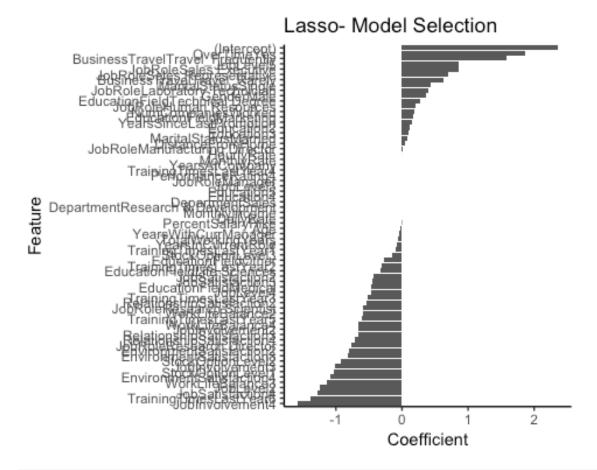
library(e1071)
require(ROCR)

## Loading required package: ROCR
```

```
## Loading required package: gplots
##
## Attaching package: 'gplots'
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       lowess
library(gbm)
## Loaded gbm 2.1.5
library(glmnet)
## Loading required package: Matrix
##
## Attaching package: 'Matrix'
## The following object is masked from 'package:tidyr':
##
##
       expand
## Loading required package: foreach
##
## Attaching package: 'foreach'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:purrr':
##
##
       accumulate, when
## Loaded glmnet 2.0-16
require(boot)
## Loading required package: boot
##
## Attaching package: 'boot'
## The following object is masked from 'package:lattice':
##
       melanoma
##
library(caret)
##
## Attaching package: 'caret'
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
##
       lift
##
```

```
library(pROC)
## Type 'citation("pROC")' for a citation.
##
## Attaching package: 'pROC'
## The following object is masked from 'package:glmnet':
##
##
       auc
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
       cov, smooth, var
library(modelr)
##
## Attaching package: 'modelr'
## The following object is masked from 'package:DMwR':
##
##
       bootstrap
library(car)
## Loading required package: carData
##
## Attaching package: 'car'
## The following object is masked from 'package:boot':
##
##
       logit
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       recode
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
##
##
       some
library(MASS)
##
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       select
library(class)
library(randomForest)
```

```
## randomForest 4.6-14
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
## Attaching package: 'randomForest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       combine
## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
##
##
       margin
library(caTools)
#First, we divide data set into training and test test with a ratio of 9:1.
set.seed(0)
subset <- sample.split(myfile$Attrition, SplitRatio = 0.9)</pre>
trainO <- subset(myfile, subset==TRUE)</pre>
test <- subset(myfile, subset==FALSE)</pre>
#5.2. Variable selection
trainO$Attrition <- ifelse(trainO$Attrition=="Yes",1,0)
x <- model.matrix(Attrition~., train0)[,-1]</pre>
set.seed(1)
cv.logfit <- cv.glmnet(x, train0$Attrition, family = "binomial", alpha = 1)</pre>
logfit <- glmnet(x,trainO$Attrition, family = "binomial", alpha = 1, lambda =</pre>
(cv.logfit$lambda.min))
trainO$Attrition <- ifelse(trainO$Attrition==1, "Yes", "No")</pre>
trainO$Attrition <- as.factor(trainO$Attrition)</pre>
lasso.df <- as.data.frame(as.matrix(coef(logfit)))%>%
  mutate(feature = row.names(.))
names(lasso.df)[names(lasso.df)=="s0"] <- "coefficient"</pre>
ggplot(lasso.df, aes(x = reorder(feature, coefficient),
                         y = coefficient)) +
  geom bar(stat='identity') +
  coord_flip() +
  theme_classic() +
  labs(
          = "Feature",
        = "Coefficient",
    title = "Lasso- Model Selection"
  )
```

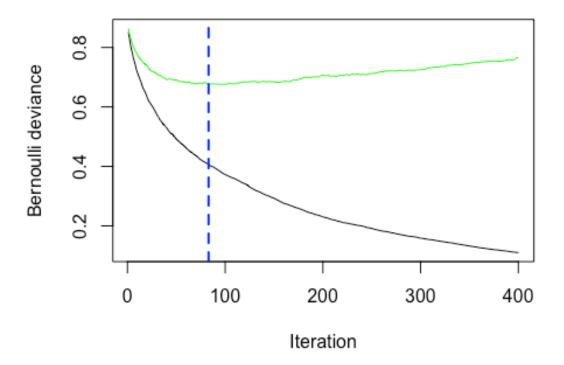


#The above graph shows the importance of each coefficient in the data, using lasso. All the coefficients which have no impact on Attrition have been penalized by lasso and have been brought down to zero. Hence, using lasso, we decide to remove MonthlyRate and PercentSalaryHike, as they seem to have no impact on Attrition.

```
a <- (Attrition~.-MonthlyRate-PercentSalaryHike)</pre>
#5.3.Modeling
#Logistic
glm.fit<-glm(a, train0, family = "binomial")</pre>
glm.predict<- predict(glm.fit, test, type = "response")</pre>
table(predicted=glm.predict>0.5, actual=test$Attrition)
##
             actual
## predicted No Yes
##
       FALSE 119 10
       TRUE
##
                4 14
#Naive Bayes
nb.fit<- naiveBayes(a, train0)</pre>
nb.predict<- predict(nb.fit,test)</pre>
table(nb.predict, test$Attrition)
```

```
##
## nb.predict No Yes
          No 107
##
                    8
##
          Yes 16 16
mean(nb.predict==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.8367347
#LDA
ldfit<- lda(a, train0)</pre>
ldpredict<- predict(ldfit, test)</pre>
mean(ldpredict$class==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.9047619
table(predicted=ldpredict$class,actual=test$Attrition)
            actual
## predicted No Yes
##
         No 121 12
##
         Yes 2 12
#SVM
svm.fit<-svm(a, train0, cost= 12,kernel= "linear", scale = TRUE, decision.val</pre>
ues=TRUE, probability=T)
svm.predict<-predict(svm.fit, test, prabability=T)</pre>
table(predicted=svm.predict, actual=test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted No Yes
         No 120 12
##
         Yes
             3 12
mean(svm.predict==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.8979592
#Random Forrest
set.seed(3)
rf.fit<- randomForest(a, data=train0, mtry = 6,importance = TRUE, n.tree=600
rf.predict<- predict(rf.fit, test)</pre>
table(predicted=rf.predict, actual=test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted No Yes
##
         No 123 20
##
         Yes 0
mean(rf.predict==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.8639456
```

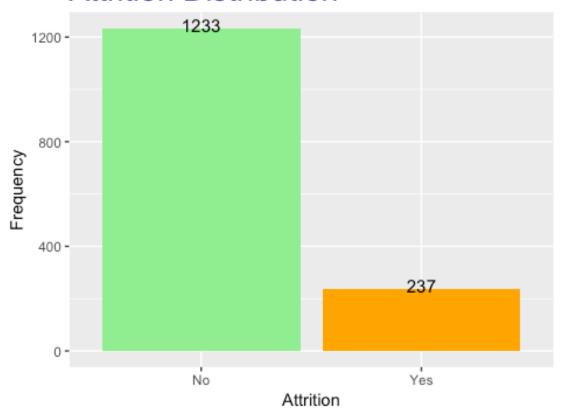
```
#GBM
trainO$Attrition<- ifelse(trainO$Attrition=="Yes",1,0)
test$Attrition<- ifelse(test$Attrition=="Yes", 1,0)
set.seed(44)
boost.fit=gbm(Attrition~.,data=trainO,distribution="bernoulli", n.minobsinnod
e = 10,n.trees=400,shrinkage = 0.1, interaction.depth=4, cv.folds = 5, n.core
s = 2)
best.boost<- gbm.perf(boost.fit, method = "cv")</pre>
```



```
boost.predict<- predict(boost.fit,test, n.trees = best.boost, type = "respons")</pre>
table(predicted=boost.predict>0.5,actual= test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted
               0
                   1
##
       FALSE 123 15
##
       TRUE
trainO$Attrition<- as.factor(ifelse(trainO$Attrition==1, "Yes","No"))</pre>
test$Attrition<- as.factor(ifelse(test$Attrition==1, "Yes", "No"))</pre>
#As we can observe that the accuracy of all the models is really good, almost
all the models cross the accuracy of 90%. However, most of them are lagging o
n the sensitivity part and in this project our aim is to accurately predict t
he employee attrition (whether an employee will leave the company or not), wh
```

```
#5.4.Imbalance issue
#As we find out from Exploration part that there is a huge imbalance in our d
ependent variable which is probably causing the sensitivity issue. The sensit
ivity is calculated as the number of correct positive predictions of employee
attrition divided by the total number of positive employee attrition.
ggplot(data=myfile, aes(x=Attrition))+
   geom_bar(fill=c('LightGreen','Orange'))+
   geom_text(aes(label=..count..), stat='count', vjust=0.2, size=4)+
   gtitle('Attrition Distribution')+
   scale_y_continuous(name='Frequency')+
   theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

### Attrition Distribution

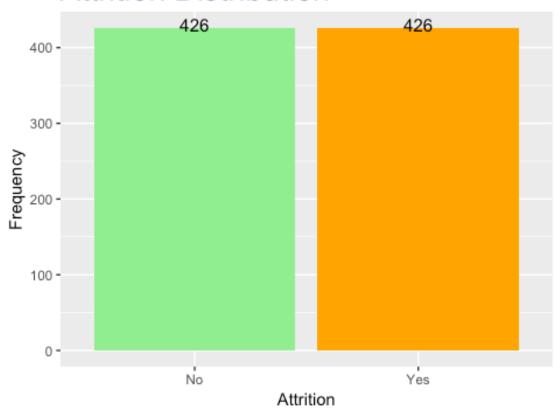


#Now, in order to take care of the imbalance issue, we need to balance the da ta either by under-sampling the majority class which is "No", or over-sampling the minority class which is "Yes". By under-sampling, we will lose lot of o ur data and we cannot afford to lose data as we do not have much data. But we know the function called SMOTE which is kind of in between under-sample as we ll as over-sample at the same time. Hence, we use SMOTE to get rid of the imb alance issue. Moreover, SMOTE should only be applied on training data and leave untouched on test data.

train <- SMOTE(Attrition~.,trainO,perc.over =100)</pre>

```
#After running SMOTE we see our dependent variable in training set is balance
d, each class now has 426 observations. So we will re-run the models on train
ing data and validate the fit on test data.
ggplot(data=train, aes(x=Attrition))+
   geom_bar(fill=c('LightGreen','Orange'))+
   geom_text(aes(label=..count..), stat='count', vjust=0.2, size=4)+
   ggtitle('Attrition Distribution')+
   scale_y_continuous(name='Frequency')+
   theme(plot.title=element_text(size=20, color='DarkBlue'))
```

### Attrition Distribution

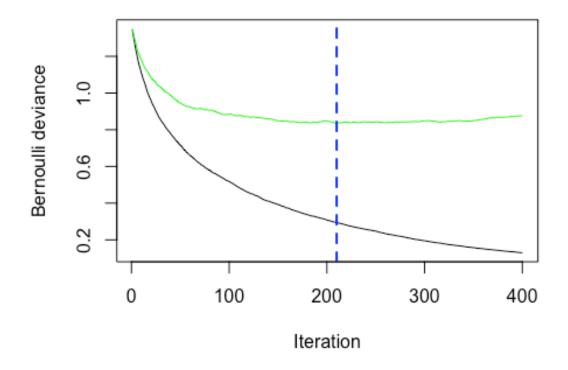


```
#5.5.Modeling after handling imbalance issue
#Random Forest
set.seed(3)
rf.fit1<- randomForest(a, data=train, mtry = 6,importance = TRUE, n.tree=600
)
rf.predict1<- predict(rf.fit1, test)
table(predicted=rf.predict1, actual=test$Attrition)

## actual
## predicted No Yes
## No 108 6
## Yes 15 18

mean(rf.predict1==test$Attrition)</pre>
```

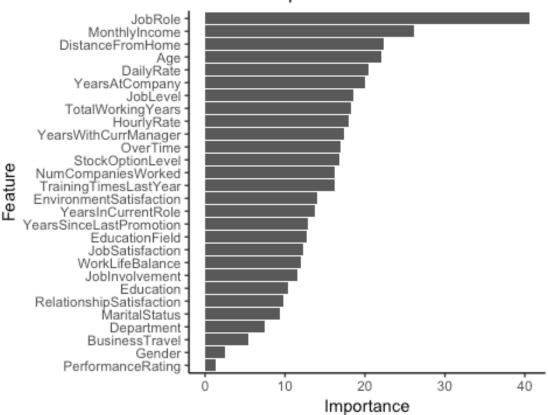
```
## [1] 0.8571429
#Logistic
glm.fit1<-glm(a, train0, family = "binomial")</pre>
glm.predict1<- predict(glm.fit1, test, type = "response")</pre>
table(predicted=glm.predict1>0.5, actual=test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted No Yes
       FALSE 119 10
##
##
       TRUE
               4 14
#Naive bayes
nb.fit1<- naiveBayes(a, train)</pre>
nb.predict1<- predict(nb.fit1,test)</pre>
table(nb.predict1, test$Attrition)
##
## nb.predict1 No Yes
##
           No 78
                     5
##
           Yes 45 19
mean(nb.predict1==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.6598639
#LDA
ldfit1<- lda(a, train)</pre>
ldpredict1<- predict(ldfit1, test)</pre>
mean(ldpredict1$class==test$Attrition)
## [1] 0.8095238
table(predicted=ldpredict1$class,actual=test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted No Yes
##
         No 101
                    6
##
         Yes 22 18
#GBM
train$Attrition<- ifelse(train$Attrition=="Yes",1,0)</pre>
test$Attrition<- ifelse(test$Attrition=="Yes", 1,0)</pre>
set.seed(44)
boost.fit1=gbm(Attrition~.,data=train,distribution="bernoulli", n.minobsinnod
e = 10,n.trees=400,shrinkage = 0.1, interaction.depth=4, cv.folds = 5, n.core
s = 2
best.boost1<- gbm.perf(boost.fit1, method = "cv")</pre>
```



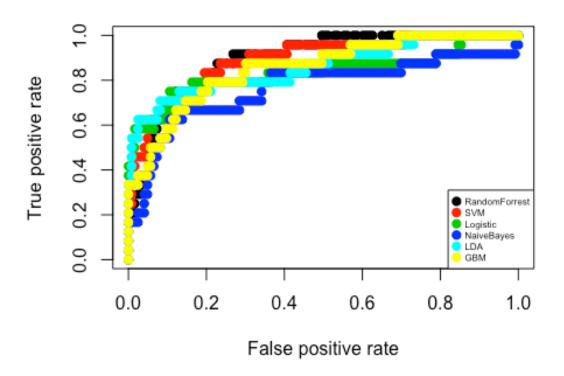
```
boost.predict1<- predict(boost.fit1,test, n.trees = best.boost, type = "respo</pre>
nse")
table(predicted=boost.predict1>0.5,actual= test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted 0 1
       FALSE 98 6
##
##
       TRUE 25 18
train$Attrition<- as.factor(ifelse(train$Attrition==1, "Yes", "No"))</pre>
test$Attrition<- as.factor(ifelse(test$Attrition==1, "Yes","No"))</pre>
#SVM
svm.fit1<-svm(a, train, cost= 12,kernel= "linear", scale = TRUE, decision.val</pre>
ues=TRUE, probability=T)
svm.predict1<-predict(svm.fit1, test, prabability=T)</pre>
table(predicted=svm.predict1, actual=test$Attrition)
##
            actual
## predicted No Yes
         No 97
##
                   4
##
         Yes 26 20
mean(svm.predict1==test$Attrition)
```

#### ## [1] 0.7959184 #After taking care of the imbalance issue, although accuracy has been impacte d, our models perform far better in terms of sensitivity. The graph gives us fair idea about model and it is performance on both aspects i.e, accuracy as well as sensitivity. #5.6.Model selection #Importance Plot feat\_imp\_df <- importance(rf.fit1) %>% data.frame() %>% mutate(feature = row.names(.)) #Plot dataframe ggplot(feat\_imp\_df, aes(x = reorder(feature, MeanDecreaseGini), y = MeanDecreaseGini)) + geom bar(stat='identity') + coord\_flip() + theme\_classic() + labs( = "Feature", = "Importance", title = "Feature Importance: Random Forest"

#### Feature Importance: Random Forest



```
#ROC
rocplot=function(pred, truth, ...){
  predob = prediction (pred, truth)
  perf = performance (predob , "tpr", "fpr")
  plot(perf ,...)
rocplot(predict(rf.fit1, test,type = "prob")[,2],test$Attrition,type="b",lty=
1, col= 1, pch=19)
rocplot(attributes(predict(svm.fit1, test, decision.values = TRUE, probabilit
y = T)) probabilities [,2], test Attrition, add=T, col= 2, type="b", pch=19)
rocplot(predict(glm.fit1, test, type = "response"), test$Attrition, add=T, co
l= 3, type="b", pch=19)
rocplot(predict(nb.fit1,test, type = "raw")[,2],test$Attrition, add=T, col=4,
type="b", pch=19)
rocplot(ldpredict1$posterior[,2], test$Attrition, add=T, col=5, type="b", pch
rocplot(boost.predict1, test$Attrition, add=T, col= 7, type="b", pch=19)
legend("bottomright",legend = c("RandomForrest", "SVM","Logistic", "NaiveBaye
s", "LDA", "GBM"), col = c(1,2,3,4,5,7), pt.cex = 1, cex = 0.5, pch=19)
```



#To confirm our decision on model selection, we plot ROC curve which also sho ws the performance of our models and LDA clearly is touching more to the corn er.

#Additionally, we have the plot of variables ranked on the base of its import ance, derived from Random Forrest Model. From this plot, we know which variables are important to consider action plan for the company.

#### #6.Findings and managerial implications

#Remuneration: employees who have low monthly income tend to leave the compan y. Therefore, we may consider to increase their remuneration. However, since monthly rate is not a significant factor to attrition, we need to ensure that their total earnings per month increases. By that, we may increase their basi c salary or offer additional monthly allowance. Furthermore, we may update monthly bonus scheme, especially for Sales Representatives, to motivate them as well as to give them an opportunity to earn extra.

#Job: we notice that employees with higher job level tend to stay with the company. In addition, job level is one of the significant factors which impact attrition rate. As such, we may consider to promote outstanding employees who deliver continously great results. In fact, instead of looking for external candidates to fill senior positions, we may give the chance to our internal candidates.

#Work Load: employees tend to leave the company if they have too much overtime, and the reason for overtime is workload. To overcome this challenge, we may consider to hire interns or part-time employees to cover partial work of full-time employees. Additionally, we may invest in technology so that machines can also cover partial work of employees.

#Location: employees who live far from office tend to have a higher attrition rate. For those whose job is not required to physical presence at office, such as Sales Executives, we may offer them work-from-home option. For those who se job is required to present at office, such as Laboratory Technicians, we may offer transporation allowance or company shuttle bus or we even consider to move office to strategic locations where are accessible to all employees.

#Privilege: stock option level is one of the important factors that can help to retain employees. In fact, offering stock option to employees can enhace e ngagement from employees as we are giving ownership of the company to them.

#### **#7.**Conclusions

#HR Managers of IBM Analytics can use our analysis to accurately predict the attrition using our LDA model as it best predicts the proportion of employees leaving the company. That is, if we are provided with all the employee details and when we put it in our model it will rightly predict the probability of the employee attrition.