

## Model Development Phase Template

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### Model Selection Report

The Model Selection Report presents a comparative analysis of three regression models developed to predict employee productivity: Linear Regression, Random Forest, and XGBoost. The primary evaluation metric used was the  $R^2$  (coefficient of determination) score, which measures how well the model explains the variance in the target variable (actual\_productivity)

Model	Description	Hyperparameters	Performance Metric $R^2$
Linear Regression	served as the baseline model but underperformed ( $R^2 \approx 0.168$ ) due to its assumption of linear relationships, which do not fully capture the complexity of workforce behavior.	- No specific hyperparameters (default settings) -	0.168168
XGBoost	showed improved performance ( $R^2 \approx 0.3538$ ) by leveraging gradient boosting, but exhibited signs of overfitting and required more computational resources	Default(best model)	0.44671974
Random Forest	achieved the highest $R^2$ score of $\sim 0.46$ , demonstrating strong generalization and robustness to non-linear patterns and feature interactions (e.g., over_time, idle_time, department).	Default	0.353859