

Employee Absenteeism

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Problem Statement

Human capital plays a very vital role in the business of a courier company. It has the key roles in collection, transportation and delivery. As the XYZ company passes through the genuine issue of “Absenteeism”. It wants the Machine Learning approach to exploit the available dataset to find out the root causes of the problem. It mainly wants to address the below two questions –

- 1- What changes company should bring to reduce the number of absenteeism?
- 2- How much losses every month can we project in 2011 if same trend of absenteeism continues?

The study aims to fit a machine learning method to predict the “Absenteeism hours” based on the various attributes of the provided dataset.

1.2 Data

Our aim is to be build a regression model which can be used to predict the Absenteeism hours for the company based on the various interpersonal as well as economic attributes. The details of the dataset can be seen below –

The attributes present in the dataset can be seen below –

1. Individual identification (ID)

2. Reason for absence (ICD).

Absences attested by the International Code of Diseases (ICD) stratified into 21 categories (I to XXI) as follows:

I Certain infectious and parasitic diseases

II Neoplasms

III Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs and certain disorders involving the immune mechanism

IV Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases

V Mental and behavioural disorders

VI Diseases of the nervous system

VII Diseases of the eye and adnexa

VIII Diseases of the ear and mastoid process

IX Diseases of the circulatory system

X Diseases of the respiratory system

XI Diseases of the digestive system

XII Diseases of the skin and subcutaneous tissue

XIII Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue

XIV Diseases of the genitourinary system

XV Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium

XVI Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period

XVII Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities

XVIII Symptoms, signs and abnormal clinical and laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified

XIX Injury, poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes

XX External causes of morbidity and mortality

XXI Factors influencing health status and contact with health services.

And 7 categories without (CID) patient follow-up (22), medical consultation (23), blood donation (24), laboratory examination (25), unjustified absence (26), physiotherapy (27), dental consultation (28).

3. Month of absence

4. Day of the week (Monday (2), Tuesday (3), Wednesday (4), Thursday (5), Friday (6))

5. Seasons (summer (1), autumn (2), winter (3), spring (4))

6. Transportation expense

7. Distance from Residence to Work (kilometers)

8. Service time

9. Age

10. Work load Average/day

11. Hit target

12. Disciplinary failure (yes=1; no=0)

13. Education (high school (1), graduate (2), postgraduate (3), master and doctor (4))

14. Son (number of children)

15. Social drinker (yes=1; no=0)

16. Social smoker (yes=1; no=0)

17. Pet (number of pet)

18. Weight

19. Height

20. Body mass index

21. Absenteeism time in hours (target)

Table 1: Attribute of the dataset

Reason for absence	Month of absence	Day of the week	Seasons	Transportation expense	Distance from Residence to Work	Service time	Age	Work load Average/day	Hit target	Disciplinary failure
26	7	3	1	289	36	13	33	239554	97	0
0	7	3	1	118	13	18	50	239554	97	1
23	7	4	1	179	51	18	38	239554	97	0
7	7	5	1	279	5	14	39	239554	97	0
23	7	5	1	289	36	13	33	239554	97	0
23	7	6	1	260	50	11	36	239554	97	0

Disciplinary failure	Education	Son	Social drinker	Social smoker	Pet	Weight	Height	Body mass index	Absenteeism time in hours
0	1	2	1	0	1	90	172	30	4
1	1	1	1	0	0	98	178	31	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	89	170	31	2
0	1	2	1	1	0	68	168	24	4
0	1	2	1	0	1	90	172	30	2
0	1	4	1	0	0	65	168	23	4

Figure 1: First six rows of the dataset

The shared dataset is first imported in the R environment and then the preprocessing and analysis has been carried out. Below is the structure of the default dataset imported into the R environment –

```
> str(Absenteeism_at_work)
Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':    740 obs. of  21 variables:
 $ ID                : num  11 36 3 7 11 3 10 20 14 1 ...
 $ Reason for absence : num  26 0 23 7 23 23 22 23 19 22 ...
 $ Month of absence   : num  7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 ...
 $ Day of the week    : num  3 3 4 5 5 6 6 6 2 2 ...
 $ Seasons            : num  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ Transportation expense : num  289 118 179 279 289 179 NA 260 155 235 ...
 $ Distance from Residence to work: num  36 13 51 5 36 51 52 50 12 11 ...
 $ Service time       : num  13 18 18 14 13 18 3 11 14 14 ...
 $ Age               : num  33 50 38 39 33 38 28 36 34 37 ...
 $ work load Average/day : num  239554 239554 239554 239554 239554 ...
 $ Hit target        : num  97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 ...
 $ Disciplinary failure : num  0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
 $ Education         : num  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 3 ...
 $ Son              : num  2 1 0 2 2 0 1 4 2 1 ...
 $ Social drinker    : num  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 ...
 $ Social smoker     : num  0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
 $ Pet              : num  1 0 0 0 1 0 4 0 0 1 ...
 $ weight           : num  90 98 89 68 90 89 80 65 95 88 ...
 $ Height           : num  172 178 170 168 172 170 172 168 196 172 ...
 $ Body mass index   : num  30 31 31 24 30 31 27 23 25 29 ...
 $ Absenteeism time in hours : num  4 0 2 4 2 NA 8 4 40 8 ...
```

Figure 2: Structure of the default dataset imported into the R environment

Chapter 2

Methodology

2.1 Data Preprocessing

For the data analytics and the Machine Learning, we should always start with the cleaning of the data first. As the given data to us is known and we have seen the structure and found that all the attributes are by default taken as the integer or float. But as per the description of the attributes we can see that not all the attributes are numeric, rather many of them are categorical. Hence, we need to perform the required transformation.

Apart from the required transformation, we also need to perform the “NA” check (missing value check). As we don’t know how clean the data is, hence we need to check the missing value. This is also particularly needed, as not all the ML algorithms are robust with the missing values. Hence, many of the algorithms will not converge in case of the missing values, or even can cause the misleading results. Next section is dedicated for the analysis of the missing value and the distribution of the data.

2.1.1 Data Distribution and Missing Value analysis

First thing which is needed to start the analysis is to check the missing values. In the given dataset, there are small amount of missing data. The detail can be seen below –

```
> any(is.na(Absenteeism_at_work)) #Check NA value. Our dataset is not clean  
[1] TRUE
```

Hence, to treat the missing value, it decided to remove the instances which have missing values. We can also substitute it using the mean values, but it doesn’t make sense as many of the attributes are categorical. Also, only 31 instances are needed to be removed in order to make the dataset “NA” value free. Below is the code used for the same. After the treatment of the NA

values, the descriptive statistics has been performed using the summary() function. It also returns the presence of missing values in each instance.

```
> summary(Absenteeism_at_work) # we can see there is no NA values reported here. Hence, our dataset is clean.
```

Reason for absence	Month of absence	Day of the week	Seasons	Transportation expense
23 :119	Min. : 0.00	2:147	1:147	Min. :118.0
28 :102	1st Qu.: 3.00	3:131	2:164	1st Qu.:179.0
27 : 60	Median : 6.00	4:131	3:178	Median :225.0
13 : 51	Mean : 6.16	5:107	4:150	Mean :221.1
0 : 34	3rd Qu.: 9.00	6:123		3rd Qu.:260.0
19 : 33	Max. :12.00			Max. :388.0

(Other):240

Distance from Residence to work	Service time	Age	Work load Average/day
Min. : 5.00	Min. : 1.00	Min. :27.00	Min. :205917
1st Qu.:16.00	1st Qu.: 9.00	1st Qu.:31.00	1st Qu.:244387
Median :26.00	Median :13.00	Median :37.00	Median :264249
Mean :29.67	Mean :12.73	Mean :36.69	Mean :270782
3rd Qu.:50.00	3rd Qu.:16.00	3rd Qu.:40.00	3rd Qu.:284853
Max. :52.00	Max. :29.00	Max. :58.00	Max. :378884

Hit target	Disciplinary failure	Education	Son	Social drinker	Social smoker
Min. : 81.00	0:608	Min. :1.000	Min. :0.000	0:272	0:592
1st Qu.: 93.00	1: 31	1st Qu.:1.000	1st Qu.:0.000	1:367	1: 47
Median : 95.00		Median :1.000	Median :1.000		
Mean : 94.74		Mean :1.307	Mean :1.017		
3rd Qu.: 98.00		3rd Qu.:1.000	3rd Qu.:2.000		
Max. :100.00		Max. :4.000	Max. :4.000		

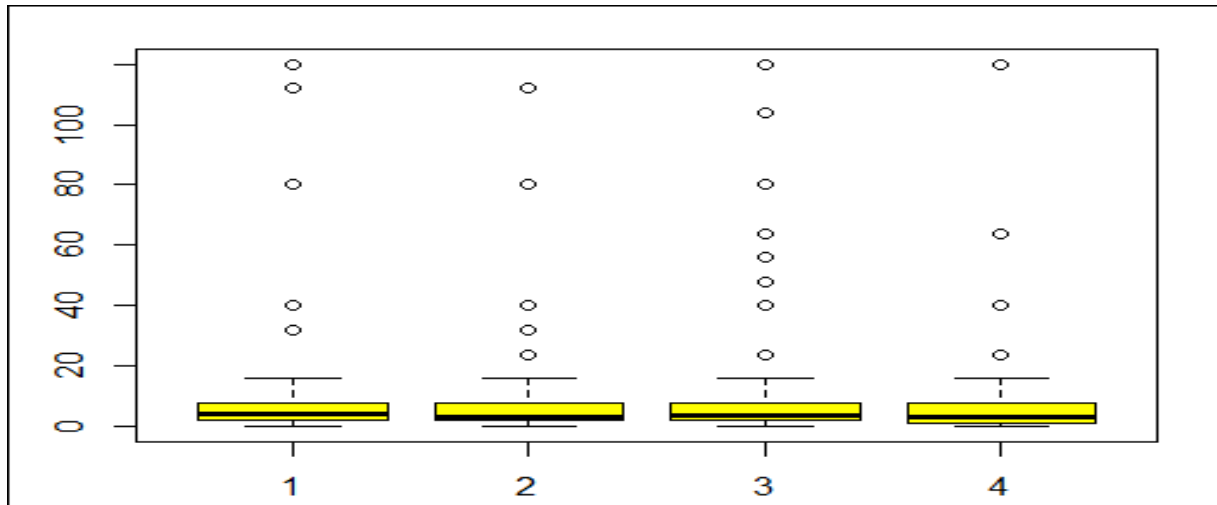
Pet	weight	Height	Body mass index	Absenteeism time in hours
Min. :0.0000	Min. : 56.00	Min. :163.0	Min. :19.00	Min. : 0.000
1st Qu.:0.0000	1st Qu.: 69.00	1st Qu.:169.0	1st Qu.:24.00	1st Qu.: 2.000
Median :0.0000	Median : 83.00	Median :170.0	Median :25.00	Median : 3.000
Mean :0.7418	Mean : 79.31	Mean :172.1	Mean :26.77	Mean : 7.017
3rd Qu.:1.0000	3rd Qu.: 89.00	3rd Qu.:172.0	3rd Qu.:31.00	3rd Qu.: 8.000
Max. :8.0000	Max. :108.00	Max. :196.0	Max. :38.00	Max. :120.000

Figure 3: Descriptive statistics

After treatment of the data, it's necessary to dig down the details of the dataset. For this purpose, first step is to check the distribution of all the attributes. Below are the boxplots and histograms used for the graphical analysis of the dataset.

BOXPLOTS

The below boxplot is used to see the distribution of the Absenteeism hours in the various seasons as per the given dataset –



The plot shows clearly, that the average of the first season is more in compare to that of other seasons. In summer more, people are more absent in compare to other seasons and there can be many reasons for this.

The density distribution of the data can be seen in the below histograms.

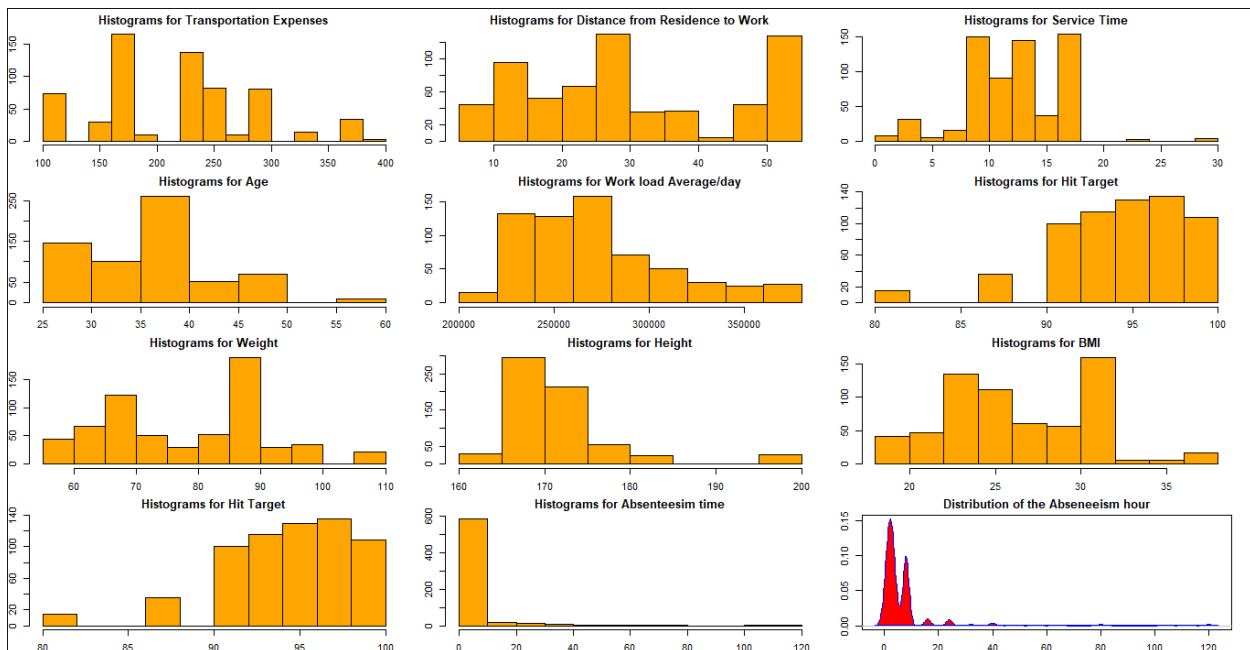


Figure 4: Histograms and density plot for all the attributes

We can see that most of the attributes are not so properly normally distributed. Also, for this study we are not primarily using the simple linear regression, where normality of the distribution is very important. The reason is, our dataset is having both numerical as well as the categorical attributes.

As we are planning to build the decision tree model, we have decided to use all the attributes of the dataset.

2.2 Modelling

For modelling, we have decided to use the C&RT method (Classification and Regression Tree Method). These methods are very well suited for the supervised learning task which has both categorical and the numerical attributes.

Looking at the benefits of such model the study aims to exploits the given dataset using the C&RT method. The method is capable of deciding which factor is most responsible for the outcome and classifies that based on the tree taxonomy.

Before digging the dataset with the novel ML methods, we need to dig it little more using the graphical tools to see the relationship between the different attributes. Below are the some of the attribute relations, which shows how all the attributes are interlinked, which is also a motivation behind using all the attributes for this analysis.

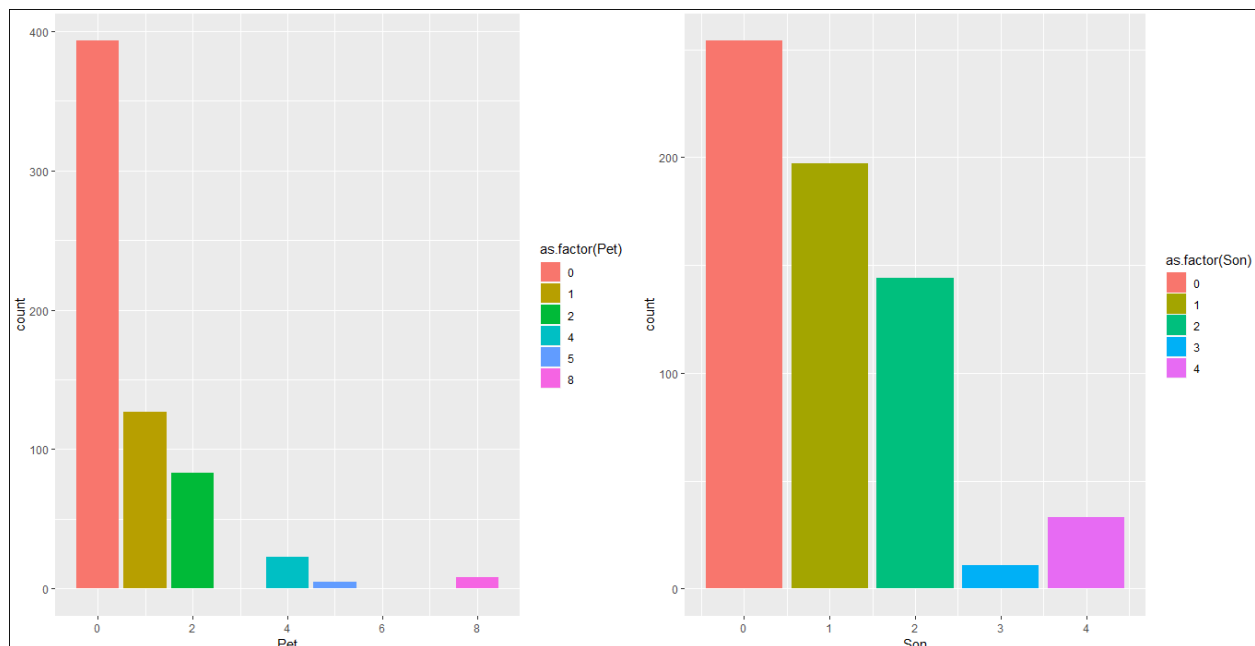


Figure 5: The distribution of the Absent hours between the people who have pets and who have son

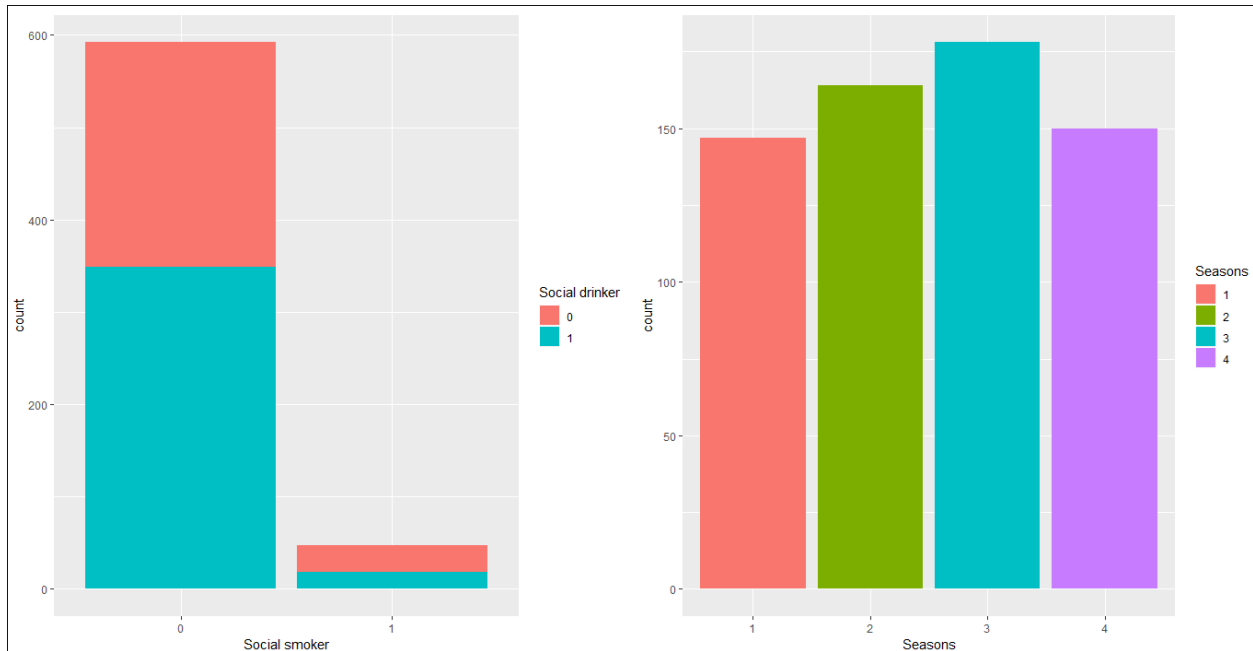


Figure 6: Distribution of the Absent hours between the social drinkers and social smokers and the seasons of the year

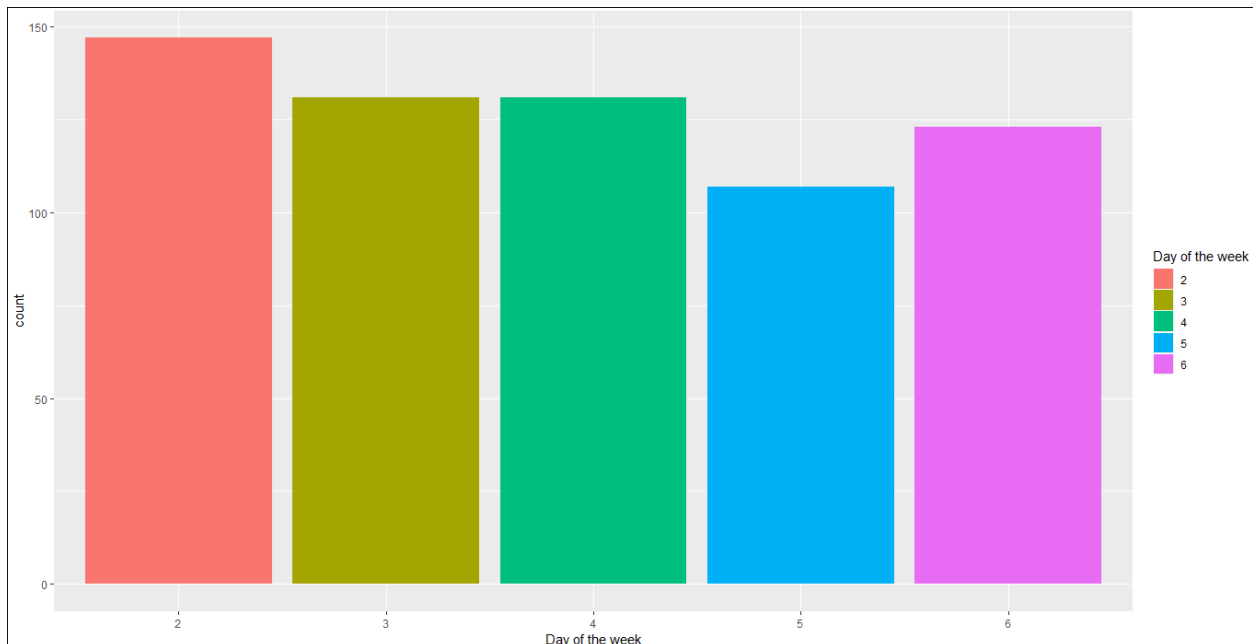


Figure 7: Distribution of the absent hours during the week days

Since, our R environment has read the dataset by default as the numeric, we need to change the categorical attributes, into the factors. Below are the codes which is used to change the six attributes to the factors.

```
##### Preprocessing the dataset#####
#Changing attributes to factors as they are taken as integer in R

Absenteeism_at_work$`Reason for absence` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Reason for absence`)
Absenteeism_at_work$`Day of the week` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Day of the week`)
Absenteeism_at_work$Seasons = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$Seasons)
Absenteeism_at_work$`Disciplinary failure` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Disciplinary failure`)
Absenteeism_at_work$`Social drinker` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Social drinker`)
Absenteeism_at_work$`Social smoker` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Social smoker`)
```

Figure 8: Changing the categorical attributes to factors

2.2.1 Decision Regression Tree

The decision regression tree has been used for the modelling purpose. We used the 80% of the data as the training data and the rest 20% of the data as the test data. The RMS (Root mean square value) has been used to check the quality of the fitted model.

Below is the fitted tree and the R codes used to obtain the model –

```
> ##### Modelling #####
> library(rpart) # Make sure to install this library
> tree.model <- rpart(train$`Absenteeism time in hours` ~ ., data = train, method="anova")
> summary(tree.model)
Call:
rpart(formula = train$`Absenteeism time in hours` ~ ., data = train,
      method = "anova")
n= 511

      CP nsplit rel error  xerror   xstd
1 0.13439694      0 1.0000000 1.002129 0.2585916
2 0.06359186      1 0.8656031 1.060882 0.2542948
3 0.03380751      2 0.8020112 1.107823 0.2571205
4 0.01826930      3 0.7682037 1.108937 0.2508651
5 0.01777746      4 0.7499344 1.101157 0.2500715
6 0.01649344      5 0.7321569 1.103094 0.2523949
7 0.01014296      6 0.7156635 1.081921 0.2479914
8 0.01000000      8 0.6953776 1.076661 0.2463716
```

Figure 9: Fitted C&RT model

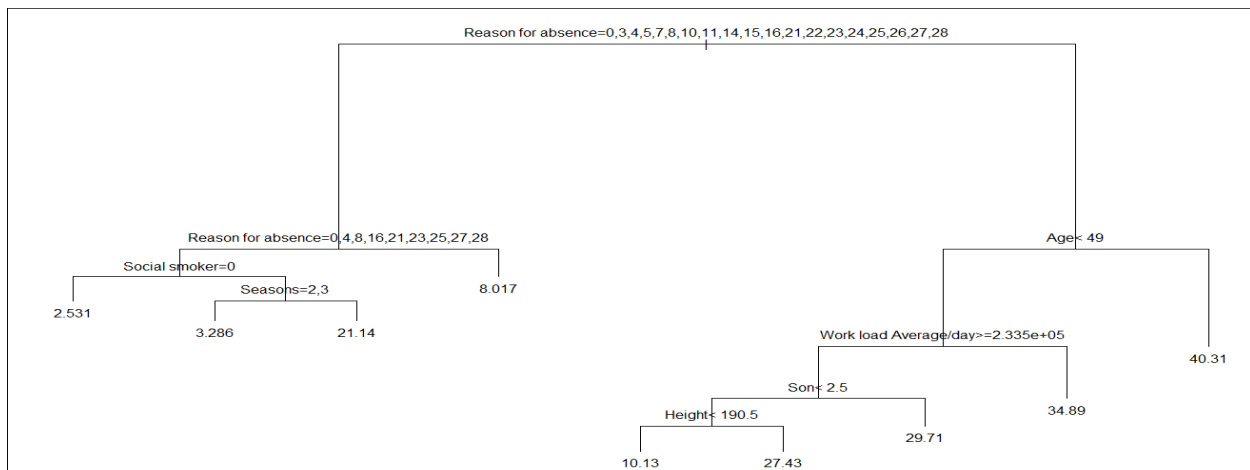


Figure 10: The fitted decision tree. We can see the split reasons and the thresholds.

2.2.3 Support Vector Machine Regression

For this study we also tried the SVM regression and the results for the model can be seen below-

```
> svm.regression

Call:
svm(formula = train.svm`Absenteeism time in hours' ~ ., data = train.svm)

Parameters:
  SVM-Type:  eps-regression
SVM-kernel:  radial
    cost:    1
   gamma:   0.05263158
  epsilon:   0.1

Number of Support Vectors: 304
```

Figure 11: SVM Regression fitted

Chapter 3

Conclusion

3.1 Results and Discussion

Model selection is the method of selecting the best performing model. As we used the C&RT model with all the default parameters and all the attributes. The model selection will primarily will be decided on the basis of –

- 1- Computational Efficiency
- 2- Interpretability
- 3- Predictive Performance

As our given dataset was very small, hence, computational efficiency was not an issue associated with this study. Also, the decision tree methods are highly optimized methods, which does not require lots of computational resources. Our model was fitted in just a matter of milliseconds. Hence, this parameter is of least importance in this study.

Interpretability is a highly required features for this study. We can see that the decision tree obtained above is highly interpretable. Also, the layout is very easy to understand. And hence, it makes it easy to understand.

Decision Tree

The predictive performance of the model can be seen with the RMS value and the residual plots. Below we can see the RMS value and the residual plots of the model.

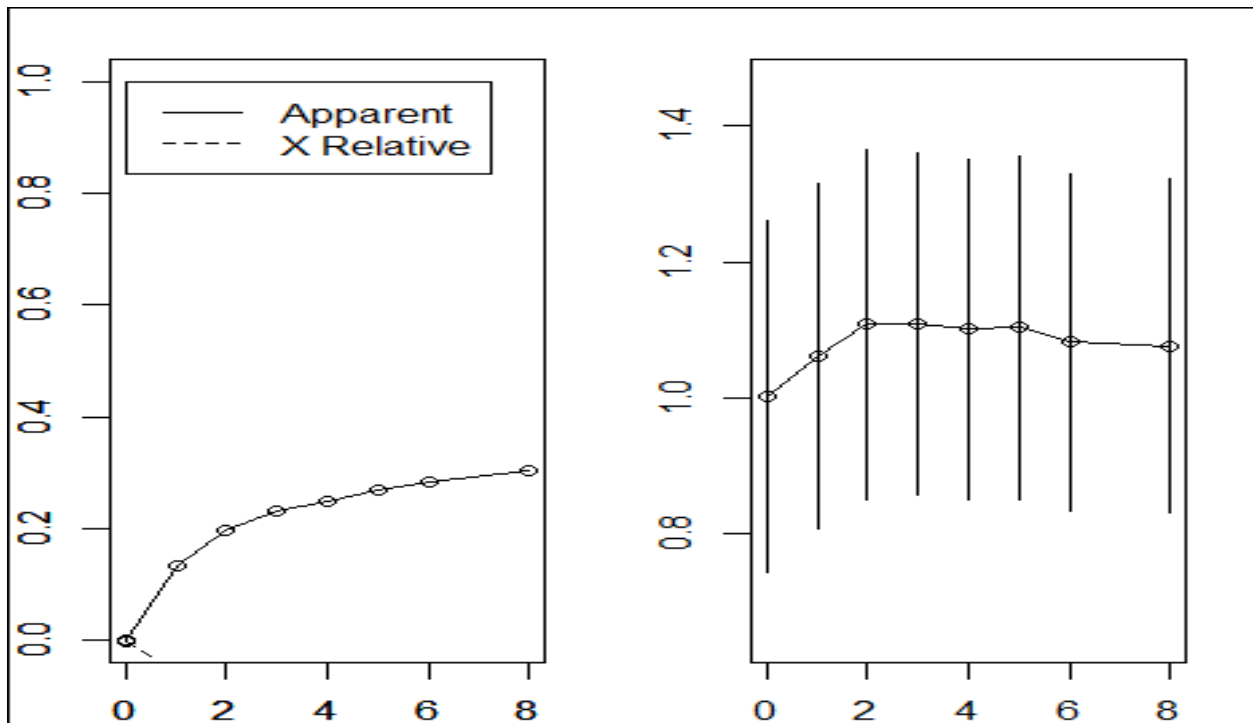


Figure 12: Plot shows the R-square and the residual distribution of the fitted model

And the obtained RMS value for the prediction is-

```
> # Calculate RMSE for the predicted values
> print(sqrt(mean((pre.val-test$`Absenteeism time in hours`)^2)))
[1] 8.95404
```

SVM Regression

The RMS value for the SVM regression is 5.88

```
> # Calculate RMSE for the predicted values
> print(sqrt(mean((predict.svm-test.svm$`Absenteeism time in hours`)^2)))
[1] 5.877637
```

Hence, the RMSE value of the predicted model is nearly 9, which is pretty good for the simple model of this size. R-Square value is nearly 40% and this can further be improved by taking the interaction effect of the attributes. While on the other hand the RMSE value for the SVM regression is 5.88, which is the improvement over the decision tree.

Hence, SVM Regression is best for this study and the given data set.

Appendix A – R Codes

Reading data in R environment#####

```
library(readxl) # Make sure to install this library
```

```
library(httr)
```

```
link = "https://s3-ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/edvisor-india-  
bucket/projects/data/DataN0101/Absenteeism_at_work_Project.xls"
```

```
GET(link, write_disk(dataset1 <- tempfile(fileext = ".xls"))) )
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work <- read_excel(dataset1)
```

```
# Checking the structure of the dataset
```

```
str(Absenteeism_at_work)
```

```
View(Absenteeism_at_work)
```

```
#### Cleaning the dataset
```

```
# Removing the first column, as it won't participate in modelling
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work = Absenteeism_at_work[,-1]
```

```
data4svm = Absenteeism_at_work
```

```
data4svm = na.omit(data4svm)
```

```
##### Preprocessing the dataset#####
```

```
#Changing attributes to factors as they are taken as integer in R
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$`Reason for absence` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Reason for absence`)
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$`Day of the week` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Day of the week`)
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$Seasons = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$Seasons)
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$`Disciplinary failure` = as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Disciplinary failure`)
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$`Social drinker`= as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Social drinker`)
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work$`Social smoker`=as.factor(Absenteeism_at_work$`Social smoker`)
```

```
# Again verifying the structure of the dataset
```

```
str(Absenteeism_at_work)
```

```
##### Cleanig the dataset. Looking for the NA values #####
```

```
# We will use the summary function to see the descriptive statistics and it will also check the NA values
```

```
any(is.na(Absenteeism_at_work)) #Check NA value. Our dataset is not clean
```

```
# Removing NA values from the dataset
```

```
Absenteeism_at_work = na.omit(Absenteeism_at_work)
```

```
##### Descriptive statistics#####
```

```
summary(Absenteeism_at_work) # We can see there is no NA values reported here. Hence, our dataset is clean.
```

```
##### Graphical visualization of the dataset #####
```

```
# Scatter plot to check the correlation
```

```
plot.new()
```

```
pairs(Absenteeism_at_work)
```

```
# Find out which season has highest number of absetism
```

```
boxplot(Absenteeism_at_work$`Absenteeism time in hours`~Absenteeism_at_work$Seasons, col = "yellow")
```



```

# Digging more with visualization

library(ggplot2) # Make sure to install this library

library(grid) # Make sure to install this library

library(gridExtra) # Make sure to install this library

plot.new()


p1t1 <- ggplot(Absenteeism_at_work, aes(x = Pet, fill = as.factor(Pet))) + geom_bar()
s1n1 <- ggplot(Absenteeism_at_work, aes(x = Son, fill = as.factor(Son))) + geom_bar()


S1S1 <- ggplot(Absenteeism_at_work, aes(x = `Social smoker`, fill = `Social drinker`)) + geom_bar()


Day1.wk1 <- ggplot(Absenteeism_at_work, aes(x = `Day of the week`, fill = `Day of the week`)) +
geom_bar()

Sn1s1 <- ggplot(Absenteeism_at_work, aes(x = Seasons, fill = Seasons)) + geom_bar()


grid.arrange(p1t1,s1n1, nrow = 1)

grid.arrange(S1S1,Sn1s1, nrow = 1)

grid.arrange(Day1.wk1, nrow = 1)


# Histograms of numeric attributes of signifiacne. Means parameters whcih are measured no the
obvious one like Months

graphics.off()

par("mar")

par(mar = c(2,2,2,2))

plot.new()

par(mfrow=c(4,3))

hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Transportation expense`, main="Histograms for Transportation Expenses",
col="orange")

hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Distance from Residence to Work`, main="Histograms for Distance from
Residence to Work", col="orange")

```

```

hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Service time`, main="Histograms for Service Time", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$Age, main="Histograms for Age", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Work load Average/day`, main="Histograms for Work load Average/day",
col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Hit target`, main="Histograms for Hit Target", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$Weight, main="Histograms for Weight", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$Height, main="Histograms for Height", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Body mass index`, main="Histograms for BMI", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Hit target`, main="Histograms for Hit Target", col="orange")
hist(Absenteeism_at_work$`Absenteeism time in hours`, main="Histograms for Absenteesim time",
col="orange")

# We are also interested in knowing the density distribution of the Absenttes hours
plot(density(Absenteeism_at_work$`Absenteeism time in hours`), main="Distribution of the
Abseneism hour")
polygon(density(Absenteeism_at_work$`Absenteeism time in hours`), col="red", border="blue")

##### Planning for the modelling. #####

# As our data has both categorical and numerical data, we cannot do simple Linear regression for this.
# Hence, we choose to do deision tree regression Analysis.

# Making training data and testing data
set.seed(101)
index = sample(seq(nrow(Absenteeism_at_work)), size = 0.8*nrow(Absenteeism_at_work))

train = Absenteeism_at_work[index,]
test = Absenteeism_at_work[-index,]

```

```
##### Modelling #####
```

```
library(rpart) # Make sure to install this library
```

```
tree.model <- rpart(train$`Absenteeism time in hours`~ ., data = train, method="anova")
```

```
summary(tree.model)
```

```
tree.model
```

```
# Visualize the fitted tree
```

```
graphics.off()
```

```
par("mar")
```

```
par(mar = c(2,2,2,2))
```

```
plot.new()
```

```
plot(tree.model)
```

```
text(tree.model, pretty=0)
```

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
```

```
rsq.rpart(tree.model) # So maximum R square is 40% with 7 splits
```

```
##### Predictiona #####
```

```
pre.val = predict(tree.model, newdata = test, method = "anova")
```

```
plot(pre.val, test$`Absenteeism time in hours`)
```

```
abline(0,1)
```

```
# Calculate RMSE for the predicted values
```

```
print(sqrt(mean((pre.val-test$`Absenteeism time in hours`)^2)))
```

```
#### Model 2 svm regression####
```

```
#As svm works on numeric data, we have to use all the numeric value instead of categorical
```

```
# Preparing test and train data for the svm model
```

```
set.seed(101)
```

```
index = sample(seq(nrow(data4svm)), size = 0.8*nrow(data4svm))
```

```
train.svm = data4svm[index,]
```

```
test.svm = data4svm[-index,]
```

```
library(e1071)
```

```
svm.regression <- svm(train.svm$`Absenteeism time in hours` ~ . , data=train.svm)
```

```
svm.regression
```

```
#Prediction
```

```
predict.svm = predict(svm.regression, newdata = test.svm, method = "anova")
```

```
predict.svm
```

```
# Calculate RMSE for the predicted values
```

```
print(sqrt(mean((predict.svm-test.svm$`Absenteeism time in hours`)^2)))
```

```
#####Final Comments#####
```

```
#The model can be further improved with higher level complex interaction between the numerical variables
```

```
#For the simplicity that has not been included in this study
```

Appendix B – Python Code

Make sure to install all these libraries

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
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```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
import seaborn as sns
```

```
import numpy as np
```

```
from sklearn import metrics
```

```
Absent_work = pd.read_excel("https://s3-ap-southeast-1.amazonaws.com/edwisor-india-bucket/projects/data/DataN0101/Absenteeism_at_work_Project.xls")
```

```
Absent_work
```

```
Absent_work.describe() # We can see that all the attributes are treated as integers. Which is not desired
```

```
# Further checking the data type of the attributes
```

```
Absent_work.info(verbose = True)
```

```
# Cleaning the dataset
```

```
Absent_work.columns
```

```
Absent_work.drop(['ID'], axis = 1,inplace = True)
```

```
Absent_work.columns
```

```
#### Preprocessing the dataset#####
```

```
#Changing attributes to factors as they are taken as integer in python
```

```
# Checking NA values. And removing the missing value rows
```

```
Absent_work.isnull().sum()
```

```
# Changing the attribtues to categorical
```

```
Absent_work['Reason for absence'] = Absent_work['Reason for absence'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work['Seasons'] = Absent_work['Seasons'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work['Day of the week'] = Absent_work['Day of the week'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work['Disciplinary failure'] = Absent_work['Disciplinary failure'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work['Social drinker'] = Absent_work['Social drinker'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work['Social smoker'] = Absent_work['Social smoker'].astype('category')
```

```
Absent_work.dtypes
```

```
get_ipython().magic('matplotlib inline')
```

```
Absent_work.hist(column=None, by=None, grid=True, xlabelsize=None, xrot=None, ylabelsize=None,
yrot=None, ax=None, sharex=False, sharey=False, figsize=(20,20), layout=(5,3), bins=10)
```

```
get_ipython().magic('matplotlib inline')
```

```
boxplot = Absent_work.boxplot(column=['Month of absence',
    'Transportation expense', 'Distance from Residence to Work',
    'Service time', 'Age', 'Work load Average/day ', 'Hit target', 'Education', 'Son', 'Pet', 'Weight', 'Height',
    'Body mass index',
    'Absenteeism time in hours'], return_type='axes', figsize = (30,30))
```

Boxplot

```
##### Training the model#####
```

```
# Making the train and test split
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

```
train, test = train_test_split(Absent_work, test_size=0.2)
```

```
print("Length of train set: "+str(len(train)))
```

```
print("Length of test set: " +str(len(test)))
```

```
# Training set creation
```

```
train_x = train.drop(['Absenteeism time in hours'], axis=1)
```

```
train_y = train['Absenteeism time in hours']
```

```
# Test set creation
```

```
test_x = test.drop(['Absenteeism time in hours'], axis=1)
```

```
test_y = test['Absenteeism time in hours']
```

```
print("column name of train dataset: ", train_x.columns, "\n\n column name of the test dataset: "
, test_x.columns)
```

```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
```

```
d_tree = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state = 0)
```

```
model = d_tree.fit(train_x, train_y)
#Prediction
predict_value = model.predict(test_x)
predict_value
# Calculate RMSE for the predicted values
print((((predict_value - test_y)**2).mean())**(1/2))
```