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Pre request, I checked the submission briefly.

"The manuscript adopted the weighted multicollinearity diagnostics, a biased estimation method, and other biased estimation methods, such as the partial least squares, ridge and Stein, which have been used in economics commonly. The authors discuss the effect of mechanical properties, such as yield strength and final tensile strength, and chemical properties, such as silicon, aluminum, and nitrogen gas, on suitable formability of manufacturing steel sheets, and predict the probability of crack existence on steel sheets according to real steel data set. The results are new and publishable. I go with the referees' suggestions and recommend publishing the revised manuscript in the journal as it is."

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