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# CrabAgePrediction



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#### **Overview**

#### 1. Abstract

Machine learning can be used to predict the age of crabs. It can be more accurate than simply weighing a crab to estimate its age. Several different models can be used, though support vector regression was found to be the most accurate in this experiment.

### 2. Introduction

The Problem

Why it's important? ✓

**Our Solution Strategy** 

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It is quite difficult to determine a crab's age due to their molting cycles which happen throughout their whole life. Essentially, the failure to harvest at an ideal age, increases cost and crab lives go to waste.

Beyond a certain age, there is negligible growth in crab's physical characteristics and hence, it is important to time the harvesting to reduce cost and increase profit.

Prepare crab data and use it to train several machine learning models. Thus, given certain physcial chraracteristics and the corresponding values, the ML models will accurately determine the age of the crabs.

# 3. Background

#### **Process Activities** <a>✓</a>

- Feature Selection & Representation
- Evaluation on variety of methods
- Method Selection
- Parameter Tuning
- Classifier Evaluation
- Train-Test Split
- Cross Validation
- Eliminating Data
- Handle Categorical Data
- One-hot encoding
- Data Partitioning
- Feature Scaling
- Feature Selection
- Choose ML Models

#### Models <

K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN)

- Multiple Linear Regression (MLR)
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)

Analysis 

✓

- Evaluate Results
- Performance Metrics
- Compare ML Models using Metrics

### 4. Methods

Approach

Prediction System using 3 main ML Models

**Key Contributions**

- Justin
  - o KNN
  - o SVM
- Brian
  - o MLR

# 5. Experiments

Prediction System Development Workflow

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Predicition Model Workflow <

KNN	MLR	SVM
Import Libraries	Import Libraries	Import Libraries
Import Dataset, create dataframe	Import Dataset, create dataframe	Import Dataset, create dataframe
Data Preprocessing	Data Preprocessing	Data Preprocessing

KNN	MLR	SVM
Check for Missing data, Bad Data, Outliers, Data Types, Choose Classifier, Data Organization, Data Scaling, etc	Check for Missing data, Bad Data, Outliers, Data Types, Choose Classifier, Data Organization, Data Scaling, etc	Check for Missing data, Bad Data, Outliers, Data Types, Choose Classifier, Data Organization, Data Scaling, etc
Feature Selection	Feature Selection	Feature Selection
Train-Test Split	Train-Test Split	Train-Test Split
Build Algorithm	Build Algorithm	Build Algorithm
Train Algorithm	Train Algorithm	Train Algorithm
Test Algorithm	Test Algorithm	Test Algorithm
Produce Performance Metrics from Tests	Produce Performance Metrics from Tests	Produce Performance Metrics from Tests
Evaluate Results	Evaluate Results	Evaluate Results
Tune Algorithm	Tune Algorithm	Tune Algorithm
Retest & Re- Analayze	Retest & Re- Analayze	Retest & Re- Analayze
Predicition Model defined from new train-test-analyze cycle	Predicition Model defined from new train-test-analyze cycle	Predicition Model defined from new train-test-analyze cycle
Use model to refine the results	Use model to refine the results	Use model to refine the results
Draw Conclusions	Draw Conclusions	Draw Conclusions

#### 6. Conclusion

Summary of Results <

Overall, the models were able to predict the age of crabs reasonably well. On average, the predictions were off by about 1.5 months. Although support vector regression performed slightly better than the other two models, it was still close enough that any of the models could be used with satisfactory results.

Multiple linear regression was found to be slightly better at predicting older crabs while support vector regression was better at predicting younger crabs. Knearest neighbor was average overall. What is important to note is that the predictions for all three models were more accurate when the age of the crab was less than 12 months. This makes sense because after a crab reaches full maturity around 12 months, its growth comes to a halt and it is harder to predict its age since its features stay roughly the same.

Therefore, predicting the age of a crab becomes less accurate the longer a crab has matured. To circumvent this, the dataset could be further preprocessed so that any crab over the age of 12 months will be set to 12 months.

This would greatly increase the accuracy of the machine learning models though the models would no longer be able to predict any ages over 12 months.

Since the purpose is to find which crabs are harvestable, this may be a good compromise.

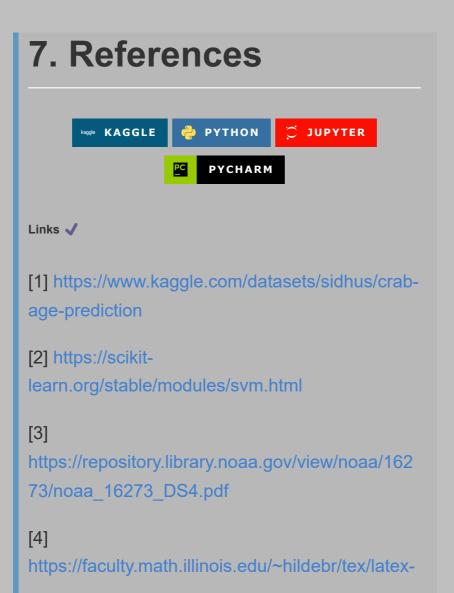
Model	Туре	Error (months)
Linear Regression (Weight vs Age)	Baseline	1.939

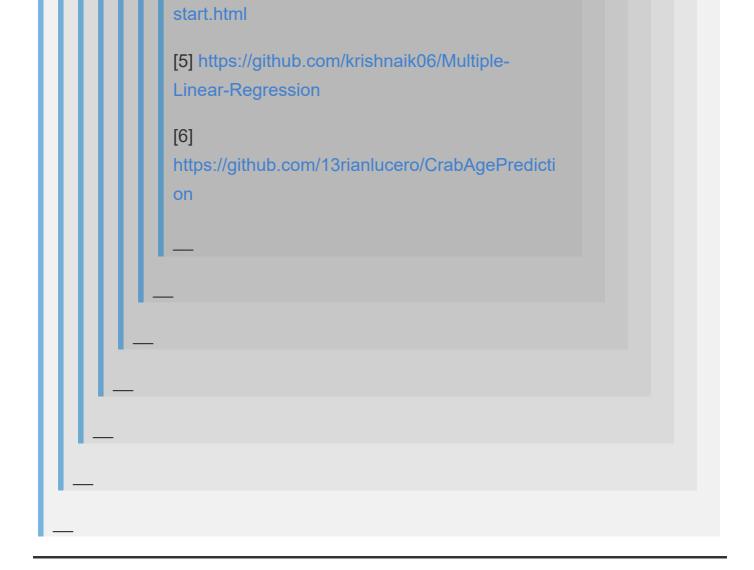
Model	Туре	Error (months)
K-nearest Neighbor	ML	1.610
Multiple Linear Regression	ML	1.560

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#### Code

```
import pandas
import numpy
from scipy import stats
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn import svm
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import r2_score

data = pandas.read_csv(r"CrabAgePrediction.csv").dropna(axis=0)
```

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print(data.columns)
data["SexValue"] =0#create a new column
for index, row in data.iterrows():
#convert male or female to a numerical value Male=1, Female=2,
Indeterminate=1.5
if row["Sex"] =="M":
       data.iloc[index, 9] =1
elif row["Sex"] =="F":
       data.iloc[index, 9] =2
else:
       data.iloc[index, 9] =1.5
#putting all our data together and dropping Sex for SexValue
data = data[["SexValue", "Length", "Diameter", "Height", "Weight", "Shucked
Weight", "Viscera Weight", "Shell Weight", "Age"]]
X = data[["Length", "Diameter", "Height", "Weight", "Shucked Weight", "Viscera
Weight", "Shell Weight"]]
y = data[["Age"]]
#Pearson correlation for every feature
col_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["SexValue"], y)
col1_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Length"], y)
col2_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Diameter"], y)
col3_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Height"], y)
col4_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Weight"], y)
col5_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Shucked Weight"], y)
col6_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Viscera Weight"], y)
col7_cor = stats.pearsonr(data["Shell Weight"], y)
print(col_cor)
print(col1_cor)
print(col2_cor)
print(col3_cor)
```

```
print(col4_cor)
print(col5_cor)
print(col6_cor)
print(col7_cor)
#split the data into test and train set
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3,
random_state=132)
#n neighbors plot
error_rate = []
y_test2 = numpy.ravel(y_test)
for k inrange(1, 31):
    neigh = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=k)
    neigh.fit(X_train, numpy.ravel(y_train))
    knn_predict = neigh.predict(X_test)
    error_knn =0
for x inrange(0, 1168):
        error_knn +=abs(knn_predict[x] - y_test2[x])
    error_rate.append(error_knn/1169)
plt.plot(range(1, 31), error_rate)
plt.xlabel("n_neighbors")
plt.ylabel("error rate")
plt.title("Average error vs n_neighbors")
plt.show()
#KNN
neigh = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=20)
neigh.fit(X_train, numpy.ravel(y_train))
knn_predict = neigh.predict(X_test)
```

```
#Multiple Linear Regression
regressor = LinearRegression()
regressor.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = regressor.predict(X_test)
score = r2_score(y_test,y_pred)
#SVR
regr = svm.SVR()
regr.fit(X_train, numpy.ravel(y_train))
regr_predict = regr.predict(X_test)
# #plot the predicted age against the actual age for the test set
plt.plot(range(1, 1169), knn_predict)
plt.plot(range(1, 1169), y_pred)
plt.plot(range(1, 1169), regr_predict)
plt.plot(range(1, 1169), numpy.ravel(y_test))
plt.xlim([0, 50])
#plt.xlim([60, 90])
plt.legend(["KNN Predicted Age", "LR Predicted Age", "SVR Predicted Age",
                                                                            "Actual
Age"])
plt.ylabel("Age in months")
plt.title("Predicted vs Actual Crab Age")
plt.show()
error_knn =0
error_mlr =0
error_svr =0
y_test2 = numpy.ravel(y_test)
for x inrange(0, 1168):
    error_knn +=abs(knn_predict[x] - y_test2[x])
    error_mlr +=abs(y_pred[x] - y_test2[x])
```

```
error_svr +=abs(regr_predict[x] - y_test2[x])

print (error_knn/1169)

print (error_mlr/1169)

print (error_svr/1169)
```

## **Proposal Information**

- Deadline: Tuesday, March 15 @ 11:59 pm
- Email subject: CPSC 483 + Section Number + Project Proposal
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The submission will be followed by a project check-in due on April 15 @ 11:59 pm.

# Helpful Resources for the Project

Resource	URL
Sci-kit Learn	https://scikit-learn.org/stable/
Weka	https://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/ml/weka/
Kaggle ML Competitions	https://www.kaggle.com/
Stanford ML Projects	https://cs229.stanford.edu/projects2016.html
Stanford ML Project Ideas	https://cs229.stanford.edu/projectIdeas_2012.html
UCI ML Repository	https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/index.php
Getting Started with LaTeX	https://faculty.math.illinois.edu/~hildebr/tex/latex- start.html