# Concrete Strength Prediction from Composition and Age



## Background

#### **Abstract**

Concrete is the most important material in civil engineering. The concrete compressive strength is a highly nonlinear function of age and ingredients.

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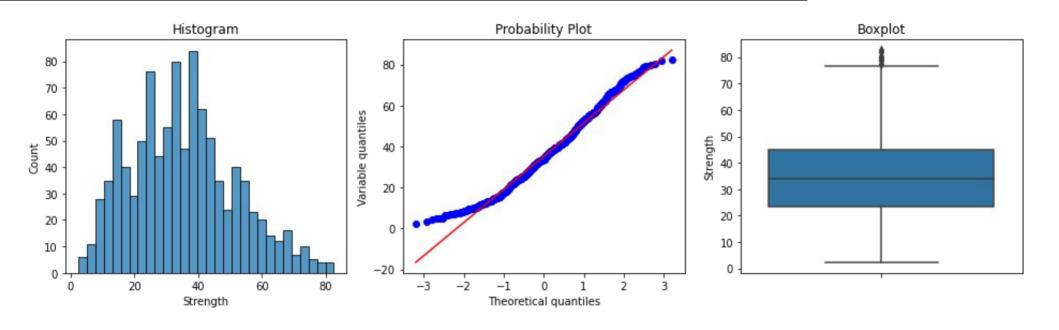
### Introduction

The goal of this project is to predict compressive strength of concrete from composition and age.

#### **Available variables**

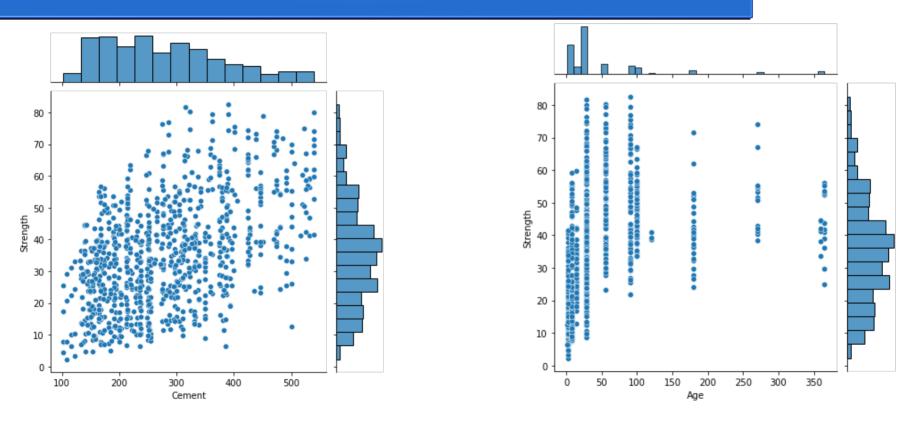
Cement, kg in a m3 mixture
Blast Furnace Slag, kg in a m3 mixture
Fly Ash, kg in a m3 mixture
Water, kg in a m3 mixture
Superplasticizer, kg in a m3 mixture
Coarse Aggregate, kg in a m3 mixture
Fine Aggregate, kg in a m3 mixture
Age, days

## **Exploratory Data Analysis**



Distributions of numerical variables are reasonably close to normal. No acute outliers.

# **Exploratory Data Analysis**



Target variable is highly dependable on 'Cement' and 'Age'.

## Feature Engineering and Selection

Original distribution of all the variables selected.

Based on single feature shuffling method, variables 'Fly\_Ash' and 'Superplasticizer' showed least influence of about 1%.

Selected variables: 'Cement', 'Blast Furnace Slag', 'Water', 'Coarse Aggregate', 'Fine Aggregate' and 'Age'.

## **Summary and Conclusions**

XGBoost regression gave RMSE of 24.3 MPa and R square score of 92%.

## The end

Thank you for your attention!