**Motivation**

People can showcase their knowledge within a particular field in [www.stackoverflow.com](http://www.stackoverflow.com)

The quality of the answers can easily be seen from the rating given by other users.

Why does it matter?

One very obvious benefit is that all those high-quality answers are archived in the website. Users can use those answers as real proofs that they have expertise in the field. Thus, it can improve their career prospect by showing those proofs in their CV. Besides that, people in the community will also recognize you as an expert within the community. (need reference of this assumption?)

However, it is not easy to provide a high rating answers. And it’s getting more difficult for the answer to be the accepted ones. In this study, we want to understand the factors behind an accepted answer with high rating.

**Methodology**

Part 1: Users Sampling

Accepted answer = an answer that is accepted for a question

Answer provider = user who has at least one accepted answer

Answer seeker = user who asks at least one question with an accepted answer

Out-degree = measurement for number of accepted answers of a user

We look for top 10 answer providers with highest out-degree values as the sample. (need reference of this method?)

Part 2: Feature Selection

We concentrate to work only with the answers from the sample.

We list all possible features that are reasonable to drive the rating of an accepted answer

We perform regression to understand how significant those features are in driving the rating

For all significant features, we only care about features with positive effect