

Analyzing a new feature for State of Charge Estimation of Li-ion Batteries

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Introduction & Challenges



Coming Era of Li-ion Batteries



Li-ion Battery market valued at \$ 32.9 Bn as of 2019 and growing at rate of 16%[1].



In Automotive: All OEMs moving towards electrification[2].

General Motors: 30 new global electric vehicles by 2025.

Ford: 40% of volume all-electric by 2030.

Toyota: 15 new Battery Electric Vehicles by 2025.



Practical Challenges with Li-ion Batteries



Degrades over time: Stores less and less charge as it gets old.



Internal resistance changes with temperature, usage conditions and age.



Complex, Non-linear system to model



Indirect measurement of States



Battery States and State of Charge(SOC)



Battery States

State of Charge(SOC): Available capacity expressed as a percentage of the nominal capacity.

State of Health(SOH): Used to quantitatively assess the level of battery aging in terms of capacity fade and internal resistance.

State of Energy(SOE): Available Energy expressed as a percentage of the nominal energy capacity. Used to reliably forecast driving range.

State of Power(SOP):Available power that a battery can supply to or absorb over a time horizon. Use case:

Regenerative braking and friction brake split.

State of Temperature(SOT): Core, Average and Surface Temperature and/or temperature distribution often constitutes SOT. Relatively new state. State of Safety(SOS): Probabilistic function to define the safe operating zone for battery. Function covers all battery dynamics: Terminal Voltage, Operating Temperature, Internal Impedance, External Deformation etc.



State of Charge – Importance and Estimation Techniques







Estimation techniques:

Direct Measurements

Book-Keeping

Model Based

Computer Intelligence



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Research Inspiration and Hypothesis



Research Inspiration

- Stanford, MIT and Toyota Research Institute's jointly developed machine learning models to predict cycle life of batteries using early cycle life data[4].
 - Several features are evaluated and used in a regularized linear model. Example: Initial discharge capacity, Charge time, Cell can temperature
 - To capture, electrochemical evaluation, cycle to cycle evolution Q(V) are considered and proved to have a good predictive ability. Summary statistics were used as feature:
 Minimum, Mean, Variance



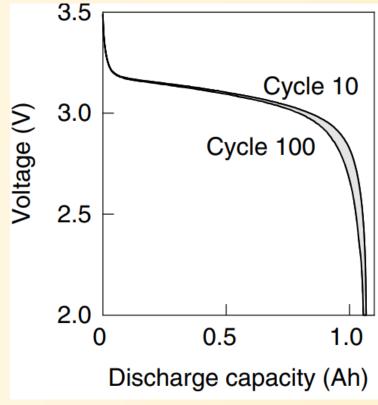
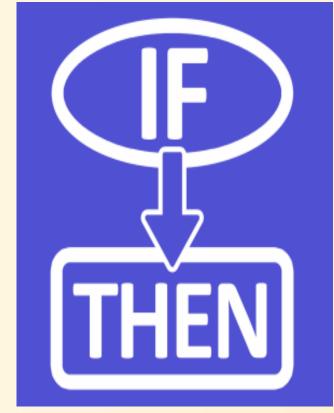


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Hypothesis

- What if additional information about change in Voltage is supplied along with physical signals?
- Is it going to help with SOC prediction?







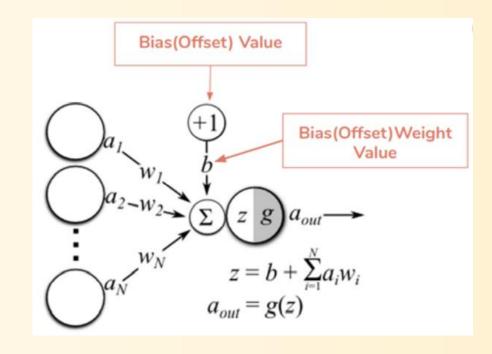


Terminology for Models



Dense Unit

- 1) Multiply inputs(a1,a2,...) with respective weights(w1,w2,...)
- 2) Add bias(b)
- Apply non-linear activation function(g)
- 4) Output(a_{out})





LSTM-RNN unit

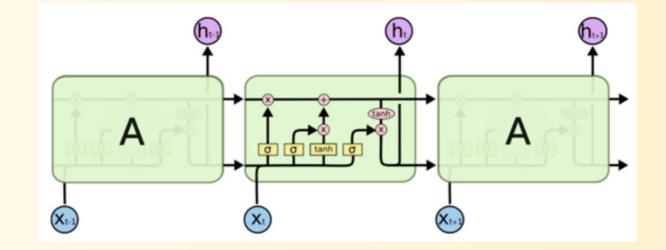
Gradient vanishing can lead to difficulty in training long term.

Hello

Hi, nice to meet you. My name is Bond!

Pleasure to meet you. I forgot your name already.

Uses various gates to retain a portion of information from past.

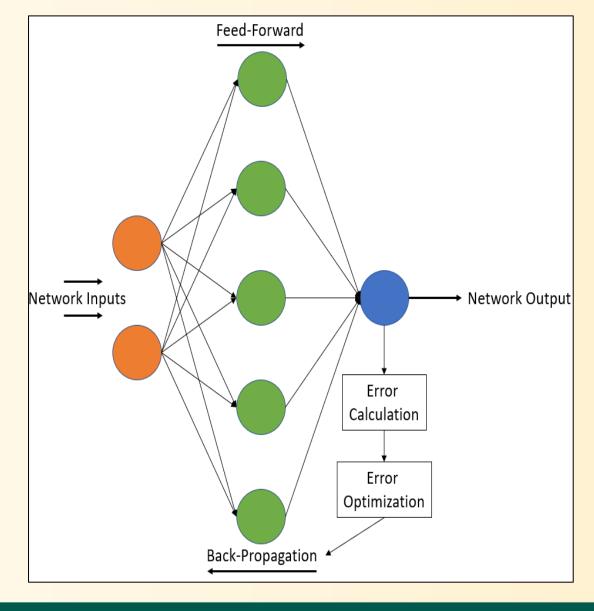




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Forward and Backward Propagation

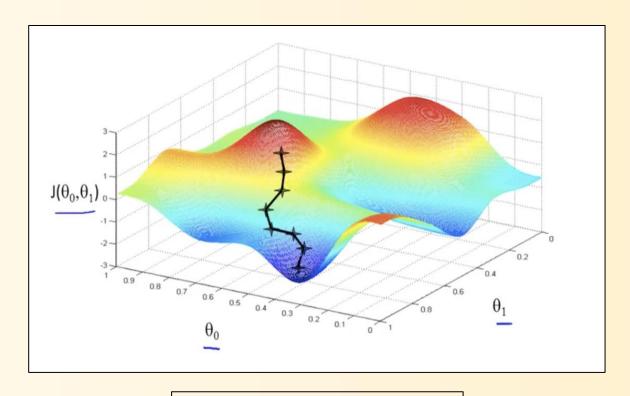
- Feed-Forward Propagation: Inputs gets multiplied by weights and biases to produce final Network output.
- Back-Propagation: Weights and biases are changed to reduce the error.





Adam Optimizer

- Mechanism to optimize error by adjusting weights and biases.
- Combination of 2 algorithms: RMSProp and Stochastic Gradient Descent.
- General purpose algorithm, adjusts the learning rate automatically.



$$\theta_0$$
, θ_1 = Model parameters $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$ = Cost function

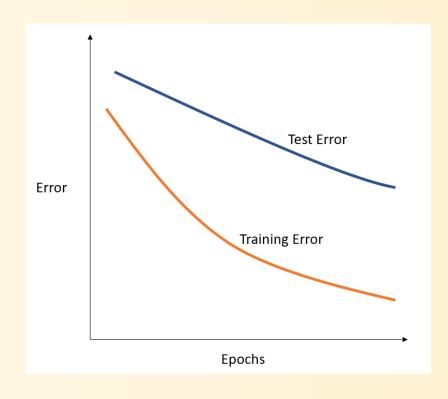


L1L2 regularizer

Cost function is updated with L1 and L2 regularizer

Cost = Error(y,
$$\tilde{y}$$
)+ $\sum_{1}^{N} |w| + \sum_{1}^{N} |w^{2}|$

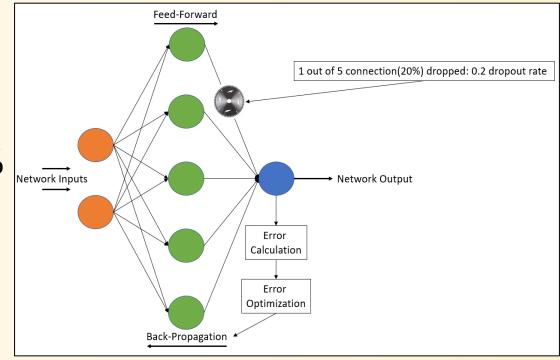
- Updated cost function penalizes higher magnitude weights.
- Useful to prevent over-fitting.





Dropout Layer

- Prevents overfitting by dropping out inputs to a layer in a probabilistic manner.
- Dropout rate of 0.2 indicates that 20% of total connections are dropped out.
- Different connections are dropped out each time, which prevents model from relying on certain inputs heavily.



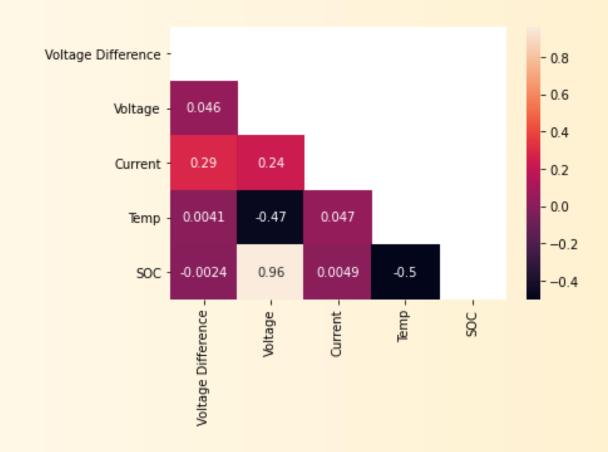


Research Strategy



Understanding new feature and its impact on SOC

- Voltage difference = $V_t V_{t-1}$
- Statistical correlation between Voltage difference is quantified by Spearman Correlation Coefficient(σ).
- σ = -0.0024 indicates a poor predictive ability of this feature when used for linear regression models(y=mx+c).

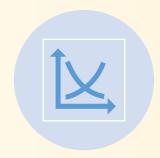




Problem Formulation



Compare 3 feature and 4 feature models using neural networks.



Expose both types of models to same treatment: Test data, Train data, Architecture and Hyper-parameters.



Workflow

Data Preparation

Experimental Data

Data cleaning

Data Conversion

Hyper-parameter Search

L1L2

Dropout rate

Combination: L1L2 and

Dropout rate

Performance Comparison and Conclusion











<u>Training</u>
Base Model

<u>Training</u>

Base Model updated with L1L2

Base Model updated with Dropout layer

Base Model updated with L1L2 and Dropout layer



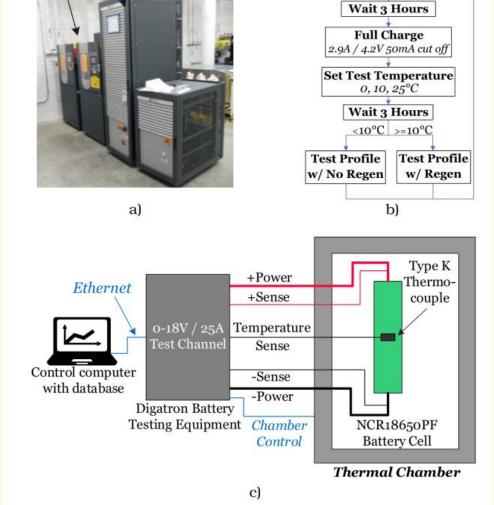
Data Preparation



Experimental Setup

- Data collected from Panasonic 18650 cell, NCA chemistry.
- Ambient temperature maintained using Thermal chamber.
- Energy profile for battery cycler is derived by scaling energy consumption at cell level.
- Train drive-cycles: LA92, UDDS, NN, Cycle 1, Cycle 2, Cycle 3, Cycle 4.
- Test drive-cycles: US06, HWFET
- Fig a: Physical Setup
- Fig b: Test procedure
- Fig c: Schematics of test bench and DAQ
- Experimental Data Courtesy: Dr. Ephrem Chemali's

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Thermal Cell Chamber Cycler

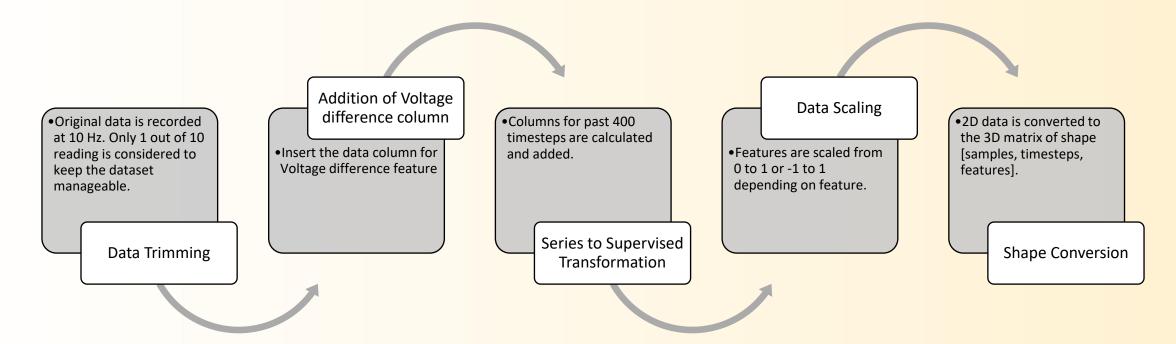


Repeat

Set 25°C Temperature



Data Treatment



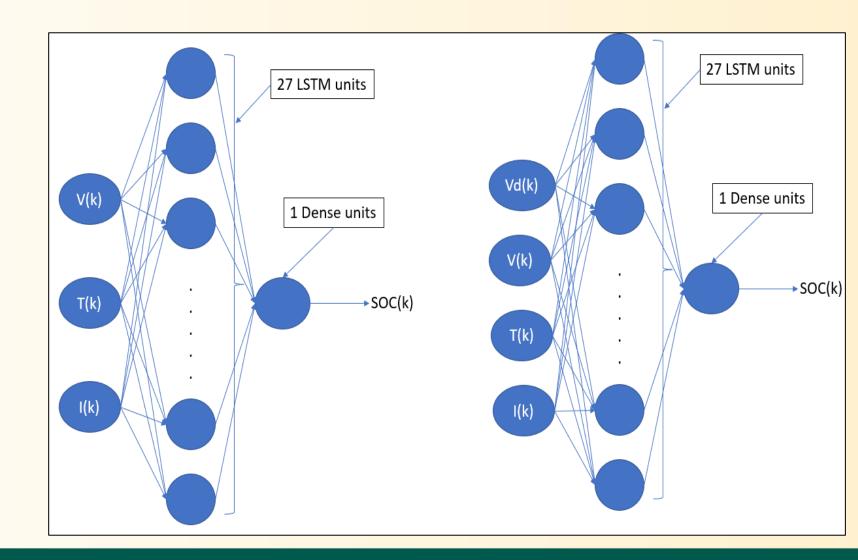


Model Variants and Results

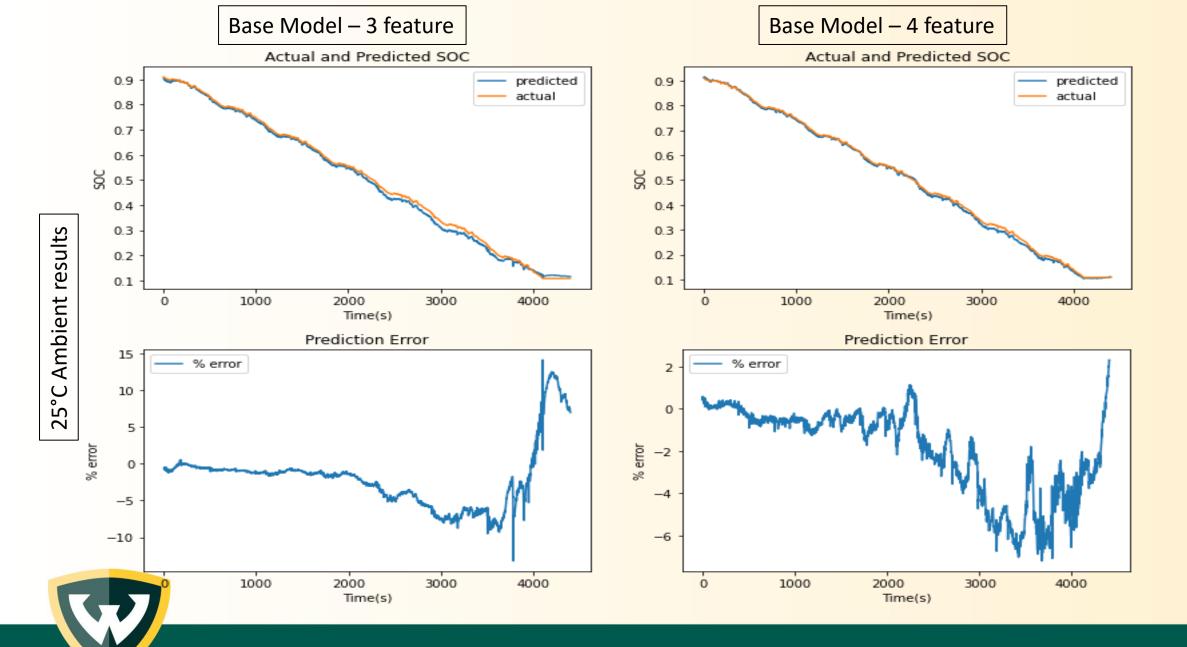


Base Model

- ADAM optimizer
- ReLU activation for Dense unit.
- 500 epochs.



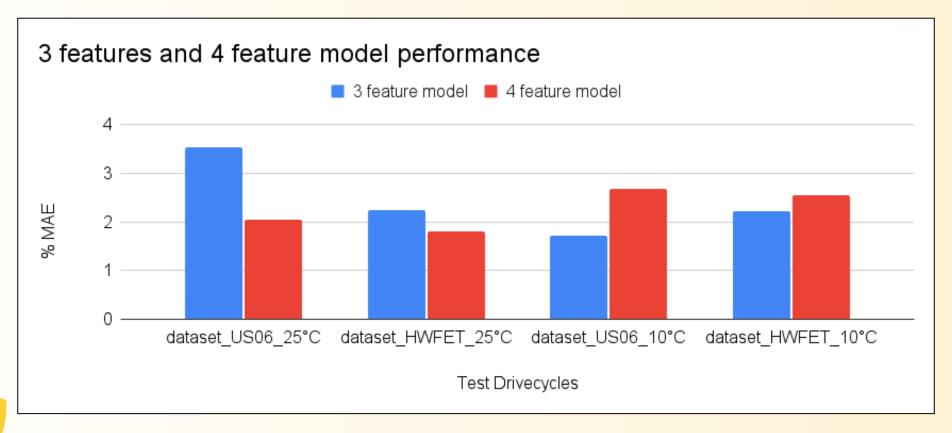




Base Model Performance Summary

<u>Takeaway</u>

- 4 feature model performed poor for 10°C ambient conditions.
- It might indicate model's over reliance on temperature feature.



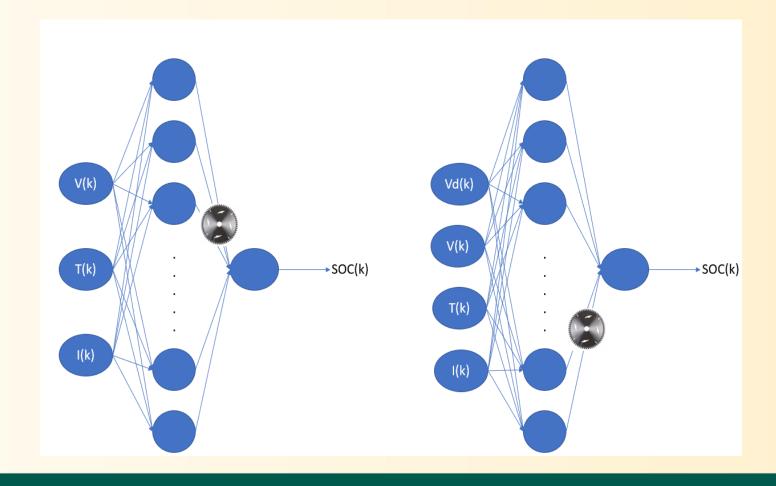


Base Model with dropout layer

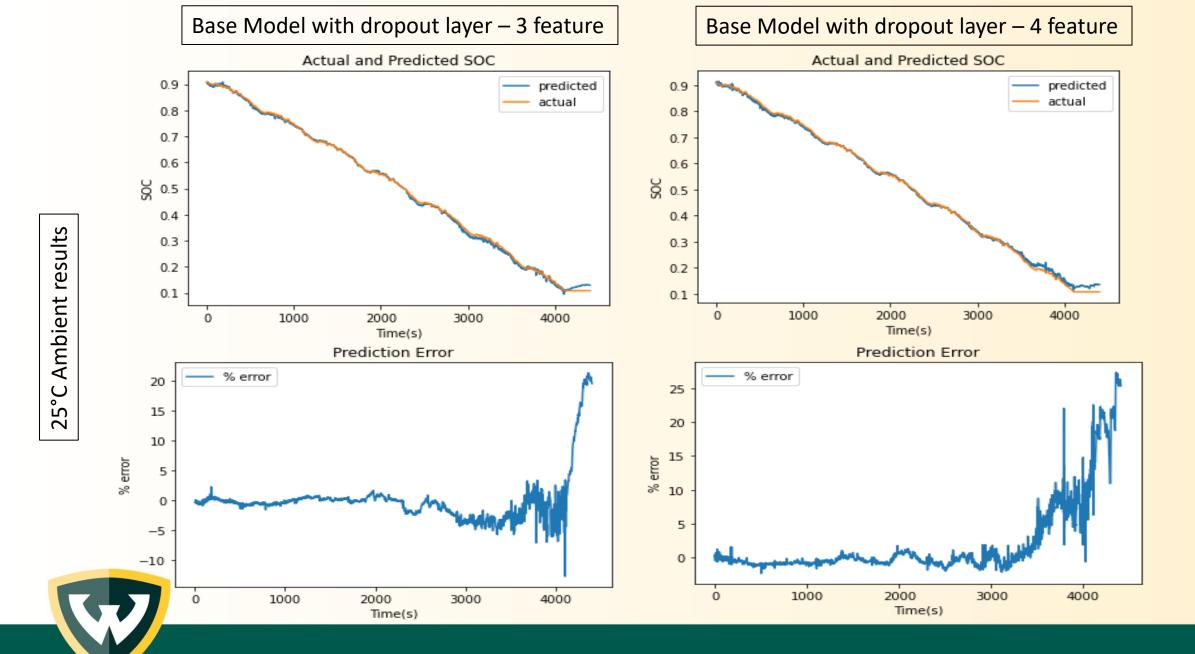
- Base model updated with dropout layer between LSTM and Dense layer.
- Gridsearch space: 11 configurations/model
- Dropout rate:

• 3 feature: 0.1

• 4 feature: 0.1



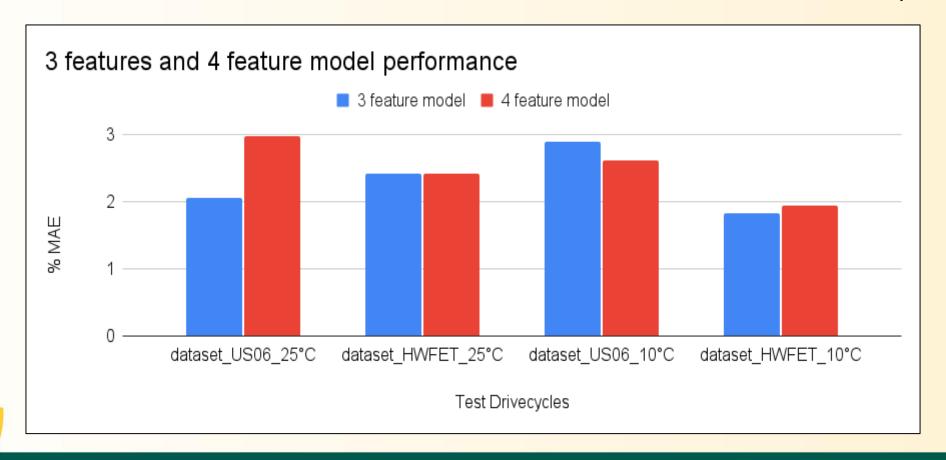




Base Model with dropout layer Performance Summary

<u>Takeaway</u>

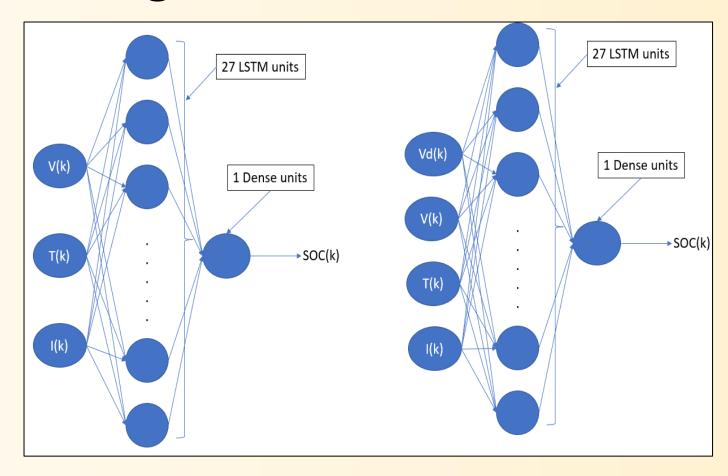
- Dropout layer removed over reliance on temperature feature.
- 4 feature model performed marginally better for 1 out of 4 drive cycles.



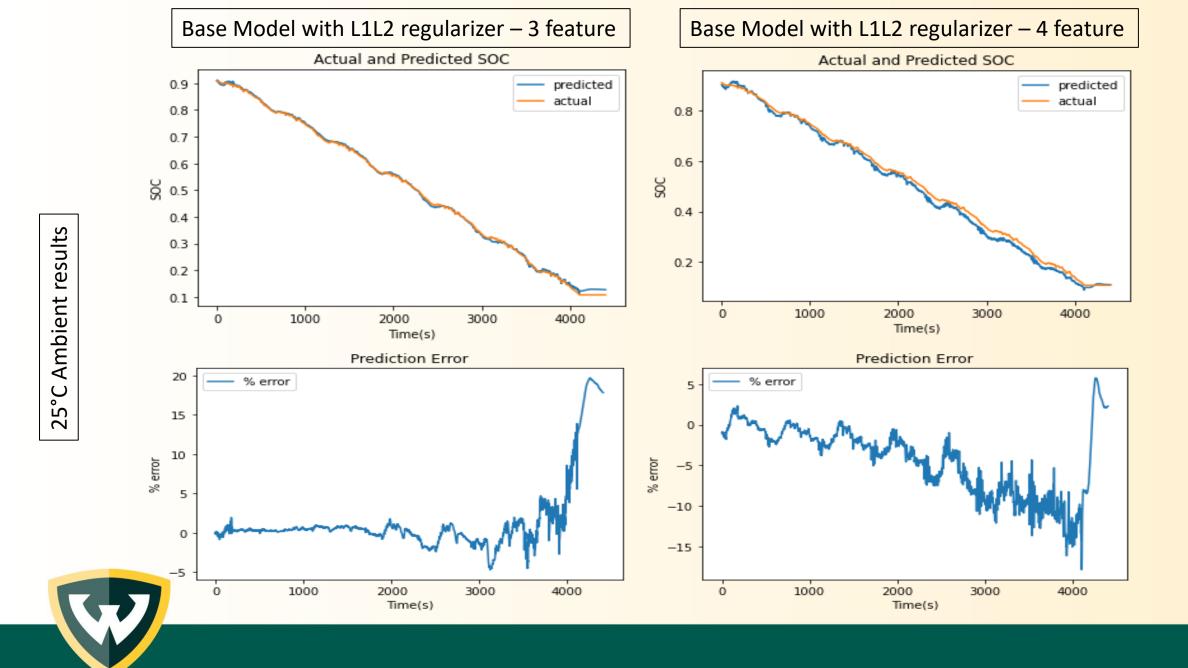


Base Model with L1L2 regularizer

- Base model cost function updated to include L1L2 regularizer.
- Gridsearch space:25 configurations/model.
- L1L2 regularizer values:
 - 3 feature: L1=0.0,L2=0.01
 - 4 feature: L1=0.0,L2=0.1



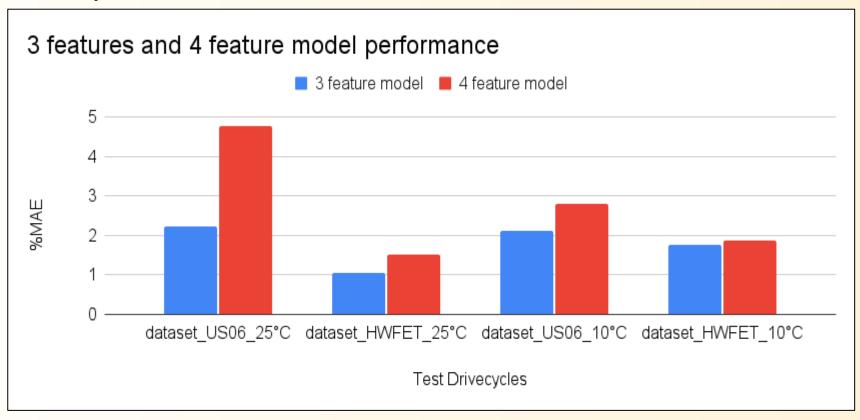




Base Model with L1L2 regularizer Performance Summary

Takeaway

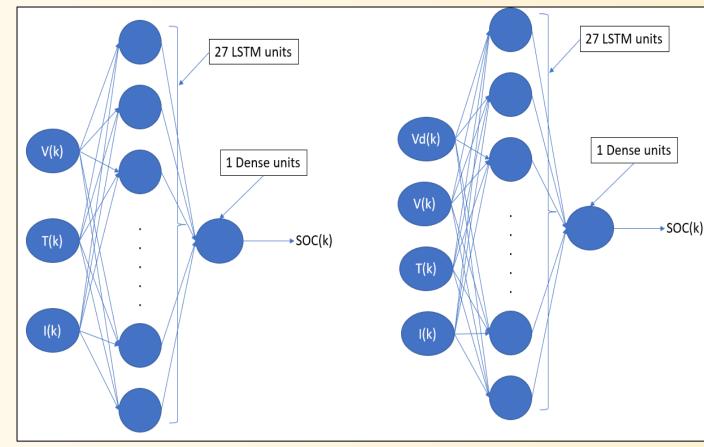
 4 feature model performed poor for all drive cycles.



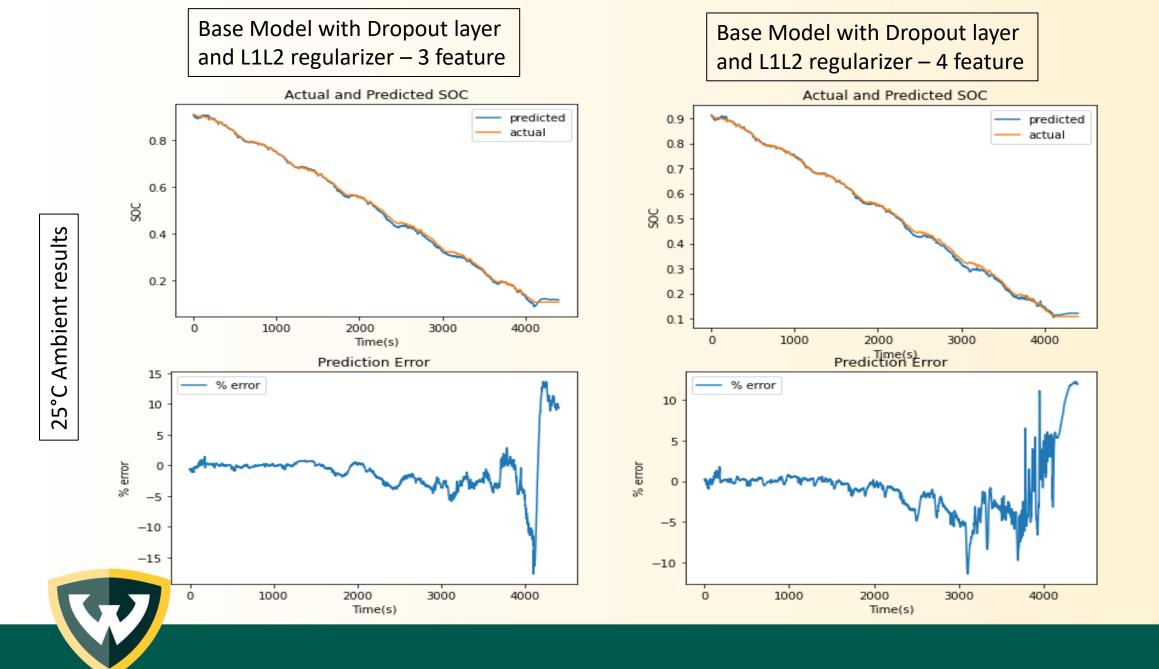


Base Model with Dropout layer and L1L2 regularizer

- Base model updated with dropout layer and cost function updated to include L1L2 regularizer.
- Gridsearch size: 275 configurations/model.
- Dropout rate:
 - 3 features: 0.0
 - 4 features: 0.0
- L1L2 regularizer values:
 - 3 feature: L1=0.0,L2=0.001
 - 4 feature: L1=0.0,L2=0.01



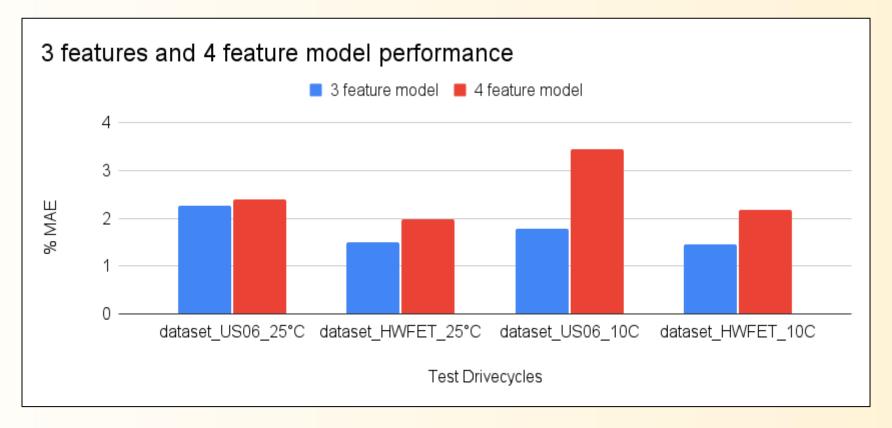




Base Model with Dropout layer and L1L2 regularizer Performance Summary

<u>Takeaway</u>

 4 feature model performed poor for all drive cycles.





Conclusions and Future Work



Conclusions

Model Variant	4 feature model performance relative to 3 feature model performance
Base Model	Better for 25°C ambient condition
Base Model with Dropout layer	Marginally better for 1 out of 4 drive cycles
Base Model with L1L2 regularizer	Poor for all drive cycles
Base Model with Dropout layer and L1L2 regularizer	Poor for all drive cycles

- 2-layer LTSM-RNN
 networks can predict SOC
 with in excellent manner
 with relatively less training.
- Under given circumstances: Voltage difference as a feature did not provide any additional useful information to LSTM-RNN models which can aid in SOC prediction.



Future work

- Use more diverse experimental data varying ambient temperature, sub 0°C temperatures etc.
- Change the time horizon in Voltage difference feature.
- Use Deep Feed Forward Neural Networks instead of LSRM-RNN.
- Test hypothesis using synthetic data: experimental data + noise



Contributions

- Established a frame-work for experimental data processing
- Architected LSTM-RNN models for SOC Prediction using 3 and 4 features
- Statistical analysis of "Voltage difference" feature
- Benchmarked 3 feature and 4 feature models objectively.





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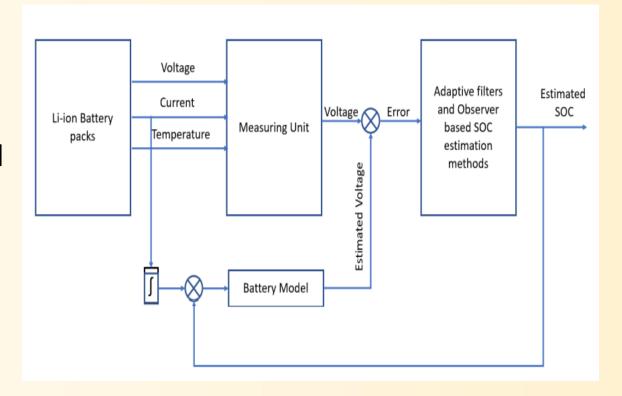


Backup



Model Based Methods

- Voltage, Current, and Temperature are used to model the battery.
- Error for Voltage is calculated.
- This error when fed to an Observer, will predict the SOC Value. SOC value is fed back to the Battery model to make a closed loop.
- Observers: Luenberger, Adaptive, Sliding Mode, Kalman Filter.

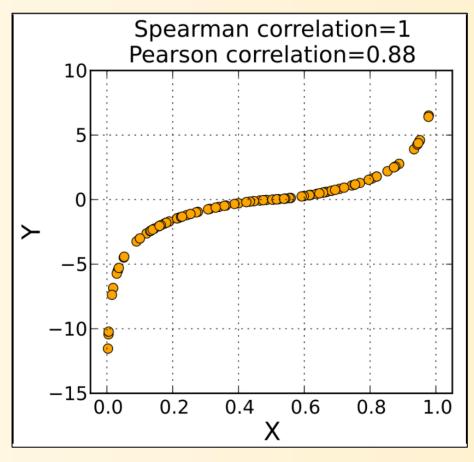


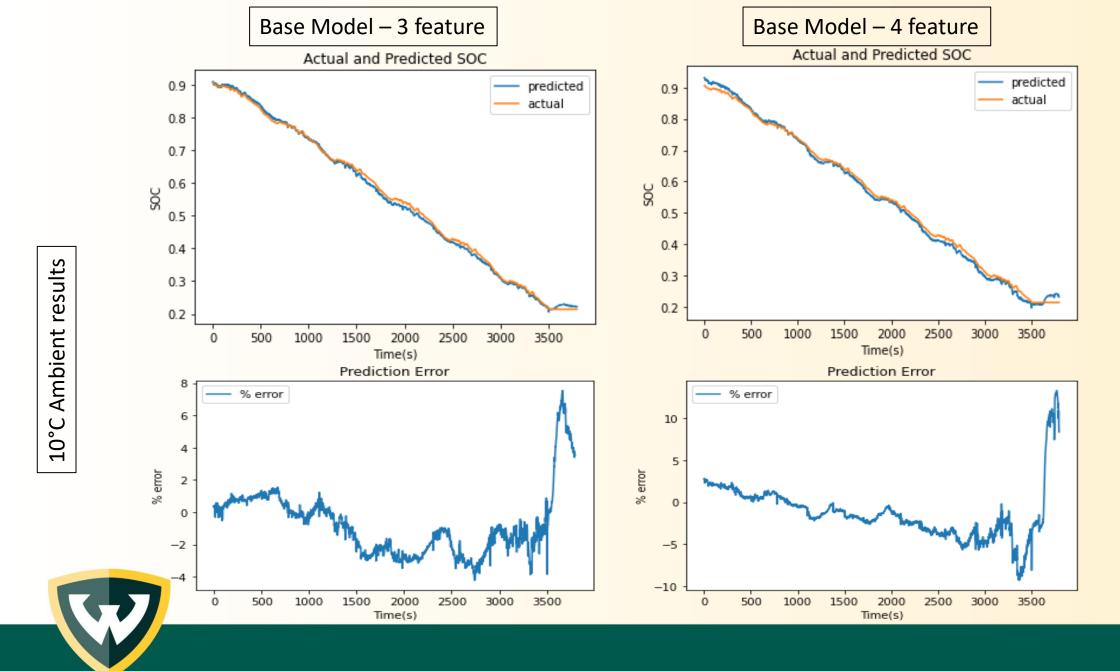


Spearman Coefficient

- Used to summarize the strength between two data samples.
- Coefficient value: -1 to 1.
- Useful for non-gaussian distributions.

Spearman's correlation coefficient = covariance(rank(X), rank(Y)) / (stdv(rank(X)) * stdv(rank(Y)))





results

Ambient

10°C

Base Model with Dropout layer – 4 feature

