



SURFACE MINING

APPLICATION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN ACID MINE DRAINAGE PREDICTION

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OBJECTIVES



Application of AI for predicting most important components of AMD



To Study Acid Mine Drainage effects and causes

AGENDA



Most serious environmental problems in the mining industry.

Disruption of the hydrology of mining areas

Most focussed research topic

- **While knowledge of the acid formation process is incomplete, several factors are known to control the production**
- **In this mini project, we discuss various factors, review the techniques and models currently used to predict mine drainage quality.**

Factors controlling AMD

1. PRIMARY FACTORS

(pyrite and other sulphide minerals, oxygen, water, ferric iron and iron oxidizing bacteria)

2. SECONDARY FACTORS

(carbonate minerals such as calcite(CaCO_3) and dolomite($\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$)

3. TERTIARY FACTORS

(physical aspects)

LOW pH -> HIGH SULPHATE

Acid mine drainage arises from

Sulfide Sources

- Tailings piles
 - Waste rock piles
 - Ore stockpiles
 - Heap leach materials
 - Pit walls
 - Underground workings
 - Sulfides in unmined ore
- Host rock

Water Sources

- Infiltration of rainwater
- Groundwater seepage
- Surface water ingress

Mixing zones

- Unsaturated zones in tailings/waste rock/ore piles
- Open pits above pit lakes
- Infiltration zones in underground mines

Discharge mechanism

- Water pumped from mine workings
- Gravity-driven discharge from workings
- Seepage

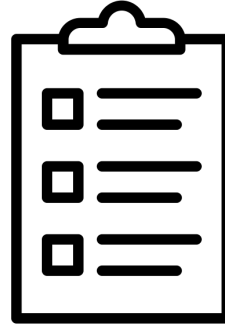


Receiving environment

- Surface water
- Groundwater
- Soil

Acid Mine Drainage Prediction Techniques

**WHY
PREDICTION??**



**Mine site
regulatory
standards**

**Wise
expenditure
of resources**



**Protect the
environment**

Created by Justin Blake

Government Regulatory Standards

- pH -5.5 to 9.0
- Sulphide (as S)mg/L max -5.0
- Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) -250 mg/l
- Oil & grease (O&G) -10 mg/l

Note: Standards for Coal Mines, Stipulated by Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF)

Acid Mine Drainage Prediction Techniques

Methods to predict acid mine drainage can be divided into five groups:

- 1. Geographical mining comparisons;**
- 2. Paleoenvironmental and geological models;**
- 3. Geochemical static tests;**
- 4. Geochemical kinetic tests;**
- 5. Mathematical models.**
- 6. Artificial Intelligence for AMD Quality prediction**



AI for AMD

Different AI Techniques Used to Predict AMD Quality

Common AI tools used for predictive modeling of water quality can be classified into:



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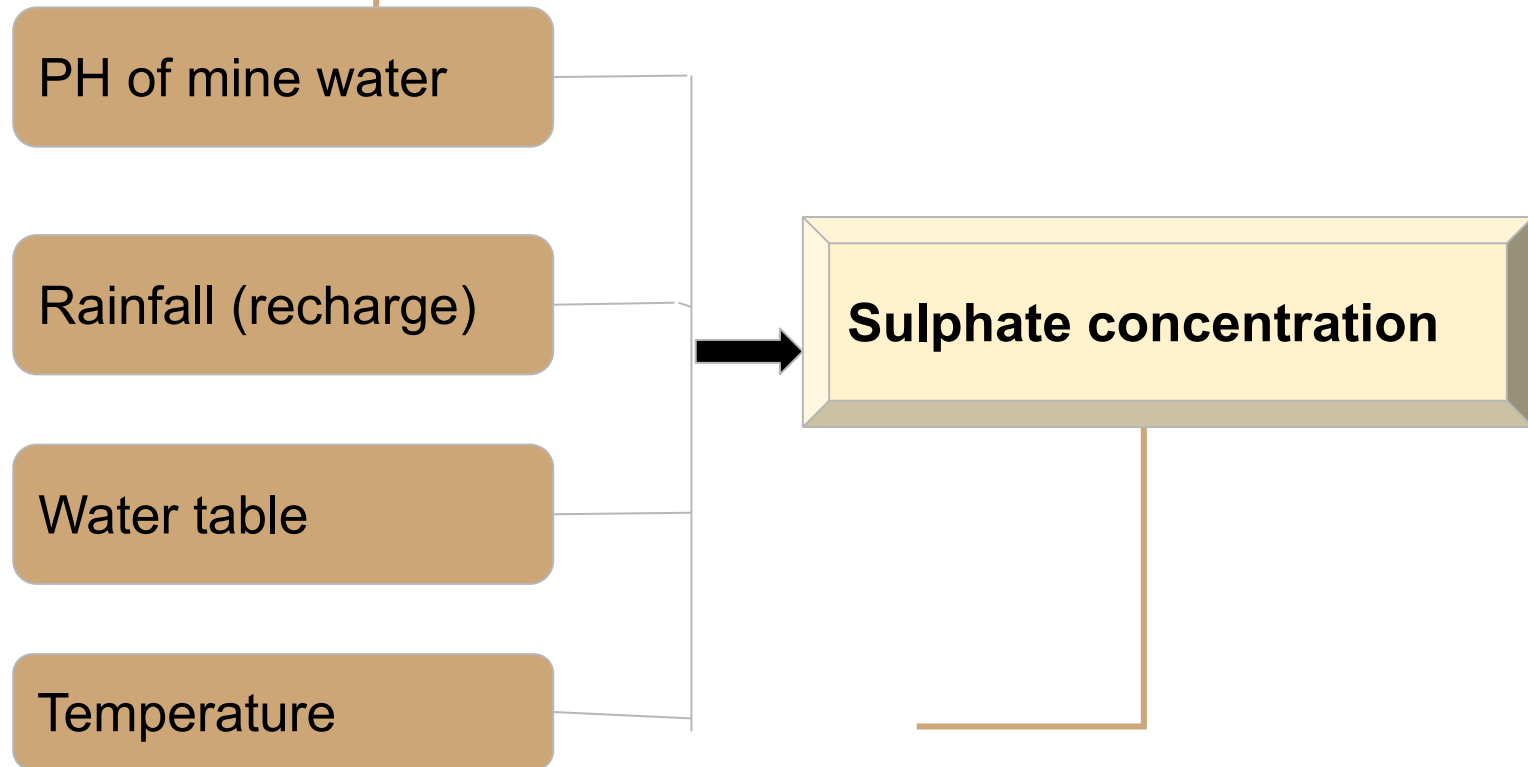
DATA DRIVEN

The widely used data-driven tools

- 1. Regression analysis**
- 2. Artificial neural networks (ANNs)**
- 3. Random forest (RF)**
- 4. Decision trees**
- 5. Support vector machines (SVMs),**
- 6. Radial base functions (RBFs)**
- 7. and Genetic algorithms.**

**APPLICATION OF AI FOR THE
PREDICTION OF MINE DRAINAGE IS
NOT NEW**

This study will investigate the use of Artificial neural networks(ANNs) for mine water quality prediction by implementing an AI based model



Data collection:

LIMITATION (Privacy matters for mine areas)

Coal mine in
Carolina Town,
Mpumalanga
Province of South
Africa

**Data provided in
research paper**

**Webplot designer
(Convert the image data in
the paper to dataset csv file)**

Approximated data set

WebPlotDigitizer

Web based tool to extract data from plots, images, and maps

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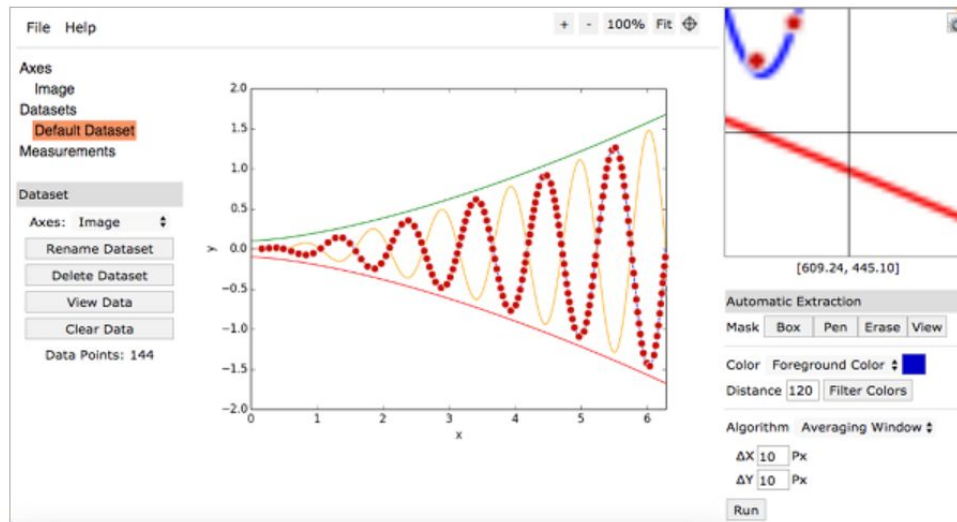
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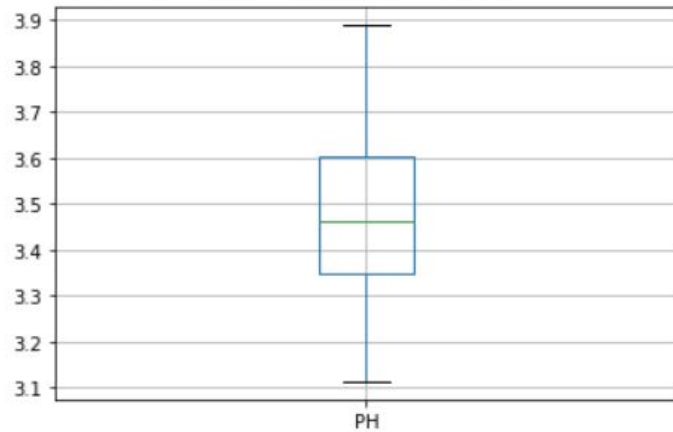
It is often necessary to reverse engineer images of data visualizations to extract the underlying numerical data. WebPlotDigitizer is a semi-automated tool that makes this process extremely easy:

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| | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| 1 | Days | PH | Rain fall | Temperatu | Water tab | sulphate | | | | |
| 2 | 3.111645 | 3.455731 | 45.67 | 19.04859 | 7.998764 | 1524.161 | | | | |
| 3 | 16.41393 | 3.413085 | 51.19377 | 18.40926 | 7.997492 | 1595.528 | | | | |
| 4 | 32.67228 | 3.366452 | 51.2263 | 17.84152 | 8.002581 | 1455.097 | | | | |
| 5 | 59.27685 | 3.318646 | 54.02318 | 17.21206 | 8.005125 | 1377.285 | | | | |
| 6 | 91.79354 | 3.308 | 60.70643 | 16.08275 | 8.063133 | 1305.458 | | | | |
| 7 | 120.8615 | 3.313545 | 68.04013 | 16.80477 | 8.000763 | 1244.067 | | | | |
| 8 | 116.9201 | 3.850279 | 97.52992 | 17.87854 | 7.974594 | 1156.586 | | | | |
| 9 | 113.964 | 3.800997 | 75.73156 | 18.43765 | 7.951696 | 1095.503 | | | | |
| 10 | 124.3102 | 3.374538 | 84.04904 | 19.11894 | 7.937703 | 1020.913 | | | | |
| 11 | 127.2663 | 3.42138 | 92.00878 | 19.81628 | 7.93007 | 950.928 | | | | |
| 12 | 131.7004 | 3.480258 | 99.66382 | 20.48276 | 7.924982 | 889.5376 | | | | |
| 13 | 143.5246 | 3.577033 | 100.7247 | 21.06654 | 7.921166 | 857.6912 | | | | |
| 14 | 133.1784 | 3.526775 | 96.1228 | 21.74096 | 7.924982 | 809.3463 | | | | |
| 15 | 153.5424 | 3.649953 | 86.88116 | 22.06785 | 7.932615 | 769.8261 | | | | |
| 16 | 139.0906 | 3.612652 | 80.26295 | 22.12652 | 7.891907 | 743.7352 | | | | |
| 17 | 158.7081 | 3.7255 | 69.17297 | 22.1346 | 7.841023 | 735.5498 | | | | |
| 18 | 163.6486 | 3.785296 | 59.88363 | 21.04433 | 7.796499 | 820.857 | | | | |
| 19 | 191.5607 | 3.660227 | 50.9401 | 21.71081 | 7.777417 | 894.5255 | | | | |
| 20 | 184.6139 | 3.600161 | 41.38842 | 21.02581 | 7.773601 | 960.1366 | | | | |
| 21 | 183.4315 | 3.880043 | 35.2472 | 21.77375 | 7.813036 | 1029.201 | | | | |
| 22 | 185.8949 | 3.718698 | 24.93233 | 22.3958 | 7.853744 | 1102.869 | | | | |
| 23 | 184.9095 | 3.821979 | 15.25288 | 23.01045 | 7.896996 | 1236.394 | | | | |
| 24 | 187.8656 | 3.770094 | 7.59905 | 23.83265 | 7.938975 | 1169.632 | | | | |
| 25 | 205.602 | 3.597038 | 3.453383 | 23.46958 | 8.015302 | 1227.185 | | | | |
| 26 | 205.602 | 3.5541 | 7.917268 | 23.20299 | 8.119615 | 1175.003 | | | | |
| 27 | 207.08 | 3.515715 | 15.33294 | 22.89566 | 8.197214 | 1118.217 | | | | |
| 28 | 211.5141 | 3.458463 | 23.68023 | 22.50688 | 8.241737 | 1059.896 | | | | |
| 29 | 215.2092 | 3.386736 | 31.43129 | 21.8836 | 8.272268 | 961.9783 | | | | |
| 30 | 222.3978 | 3.295149 | 39.0631 | 21.1443 | 8.32188 | 1231.789 | | | | |

This is how our input dataset looks like. We can add more columns as input parameters if we have its data.


```
print(df.boxplot(column='PH'))
```

AxesSubplot(0.125,0.125;0.775x0.755)

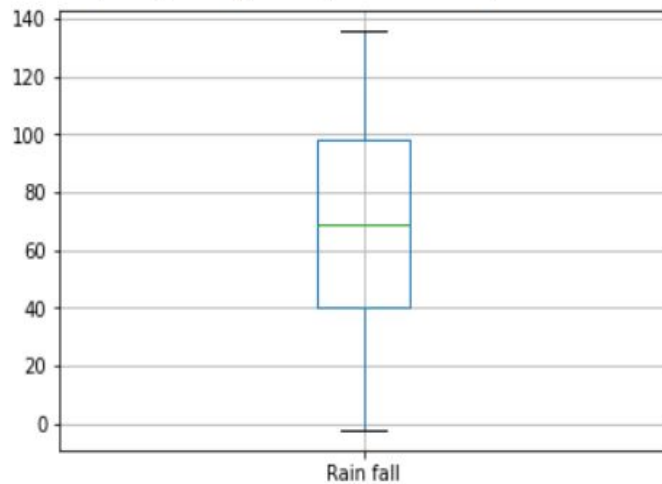


As we can see, pH levels show acidic levels.

Inference : pH should be in 5.5 to 9 range but it is much lower than that

```
[91] print(df.boxplot(column='Rain fall'))
```

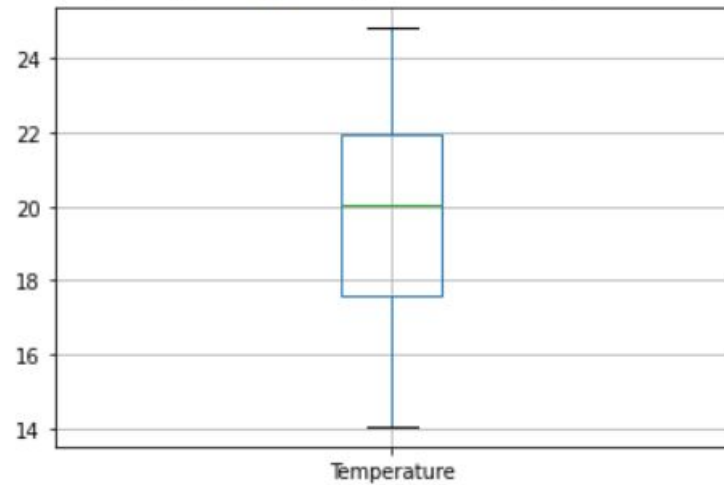
AxesSubplot(0.125,0.125;0.775x0.755)



Rainfall

```
print(df.boxplot(column='Temperature'))
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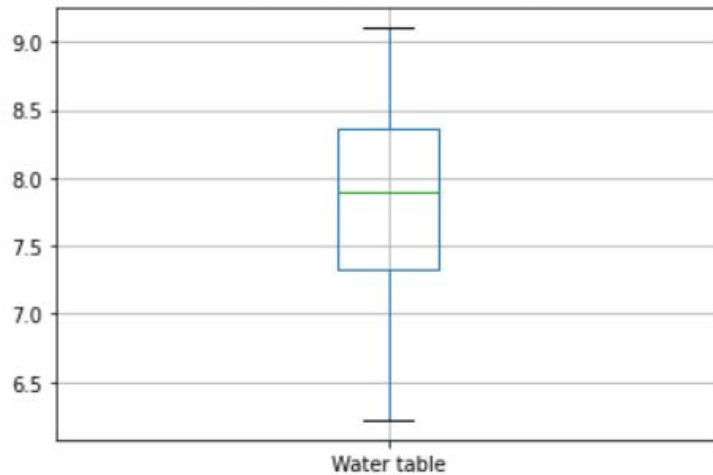
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AxesSubplot(0.125,0.125;0.775x0.755)
```



Temperature

```
print(df.boxplot(column='Water table'))
```

```
AxesSubplot(0.125,0.125;0.775x0.755)
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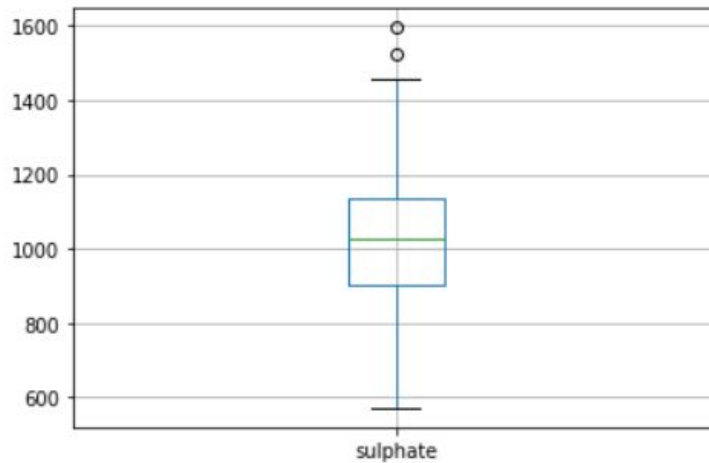


Water Table

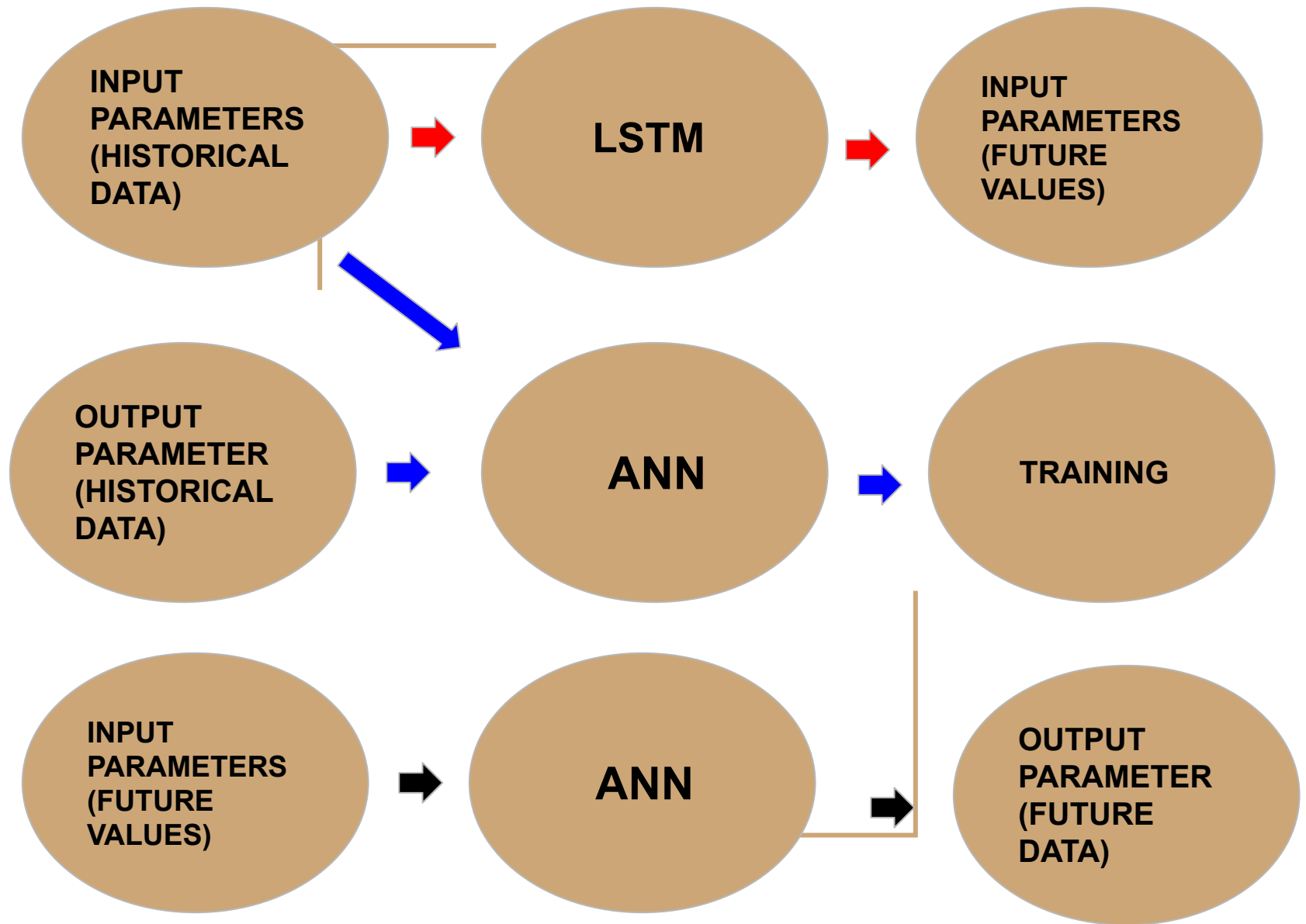
Sulphate

```
4] print(df.boxplot(column='sulphate'))
```

AxesSubplot(0.125,0.125;0.775x0.755)



FLOW CHART:



DATA SET

df.head()



| | Days | PH | Rain fall | Temperature | Water table | sulphate |
|---|-----------|----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0 | 3.111645 | 3.455731 | 45.670000 | 19.048588 | 7.998764 | 1524.161480 |
| 1 | 16.413930 | 3.413085 | 51.193774 | 18.409260 | 7.997492 | 1595.527896 |
| 2 | 32.672277 | 3.366452 | 51.226296 | 17.841517 | 8.002581 | 1455.097208 |
| 3 | 59.276846 | 3.318646 | 54.023181 | 17.212062 | 8.005125 | 1377.284794 |
| 4 | 91.793540 | 3.308000 | 60.706435 | 16.082747 | 8.063133 | 1305.457950 |



```
X=df.drop(['sulphate'],axis=1).values
Y=df['sulphate'].values
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(X,Y,test_size = 0.20, random_state = 0)
print(x_train.shape)
print(y_train.shape)
print(x_test.shape)
print(y_test.shape)
```



```
(128, 5)
(128,)
(33, 5)
(33,)
```

ANN



#ANN

```
classifier = Sequential()
```

```
classifier.add(Dense(units= 6, kernel_initializer = 'normal', activation = 'relu',input_dim=5))
```

```
classifier.add(Dense(units= 6, kernel_initializer = 'normal', activation = 'relu'))
```

```
classifier.add(Dense(units = 1, kernel_initializer = 'normal', activation = 'sigmoid'))
```

```
classifier.compile(optimizer = 'adam', loss='mean_squared_error',metrics=['accuracy'])
```

```
classifier.fit(x_train, y_train, batch_size = 10, epochs = 100)
```



Epoch 47/100

13/13 [=====] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 438614.4955 - accuracy: 0.0000e+00

ACCURACY

```
import sklearn.metrics as sm
```

```
# Mean squared error: This is the average of the squares of the errors of all the data points in the given dataset.  
# It is one of the most popular metrics out there!
```

```
print("Mean squared error =", round(sm.mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred), 2))
```

```
# Explained variance score: This score measures how well our model can account for the variation in our dataset.
```

```
# A score of 1.0 indicates that our model is perfect.
```

```
print("Explain variance score =", round(sm.explained_variance_score(y_test, y_pred), 2))
```

```
# R2 score: This is pronounced as R-squared, and this score refers to the coefficient of determination.
```

```
# This tells us how well the unknown samples will be predicted by our model.
```

```
# The best possible score is 1.0, but the score can be negative as well.
```

```
print("R2 score =", round(sm.r2_score(y_test, y_pred), 2))
```

```
Mean squared error = 38808.86
```

```
Explain variance score = 0.17
```

```
R2 score = -0.26
```


Results

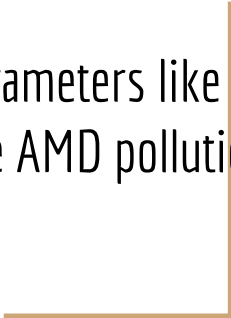


Converting date to time series format to recognize the change in our base parameters(ph, rainfall, temperature, etc) with respect to time.

AI model will predict the sulphate concentration to be present in the future considering current trends.

Given the methodology we have followed, if we obtain a real time dataset, our prediction will be much more accurate and scalable.

We have an idea of considering the groundwater parameters like aquifer details to contribute as a parameter to understand the impact of the AMD pollution on groundwater at a particular place.



Limitations of AI Techniques in Prediction of AMD Quality

AI techniques have their own limitations which include:

- a) Time consuming processing and training of the model as optimization is heuristically and repeatedly performed until a good model or learning technique is obtained.**
- b) Most experts find it difficult to interpret and explain decisions made by AI models, suggesting its black box nature and limiting its successful application.**

For any prediction, including mine drainage quality, a thorough investigation and understanding of the fundamental physical processes is compulsory. However, it is challenging to involve domain expert knowledge directly into the data-driven approaches

Hence, hybrid approaches are developed to mitigate this problem.

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