

1. INTRODUCTION

Age estimation is an important problem that has witnessed an increased attention, given its role in various daily activities, from health assessment, to social interaction, to forensic science, to security and identity profiling. Although age estimation has been practiced for centuries, accurate age estimation is known to be a very difficult problem. Doing this automatically by a machine is an even much more onerous task. The major challenge is that most measures used to characterize age, for instance, visual appearance, and biological/physiological markers vary significantly from person to person, even for people with the same chronological age. The reason is that many unknowns (e.g., genetics, nutrition, body shape, health condition, social conditions, life style, weather, and even cultural considerations), all contribute to influence the perceived age of an individual. There are various scenarios or applications when the chronological age is required, but the true birth date is unknown, and a genuine birth certificate may not be available.

Age has a deep connection with health and mortality. Aging is a gradual process that results in increased health risk, and mortality over time. In general, a younger person is expected to have a better health condition and his/her mortality hazard should be low in comparison with a relatively older person. But two different people of the same age may have very different health conditions and mortality hazards. This brings up the debate on “chronological” versus “biological” age.

Chronological age is typically what we know and is based on the date of birth. However, biological age is based on the interesting, yet confounded, idea that a person’s true age can be different from his/her chronological age. Biological age lacks a precise definition, but it is often viewed as the true age of an individual . The common idea is that biological age provides a better estimator of the true life expectancy of the individual than chronological age.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 Existing problem

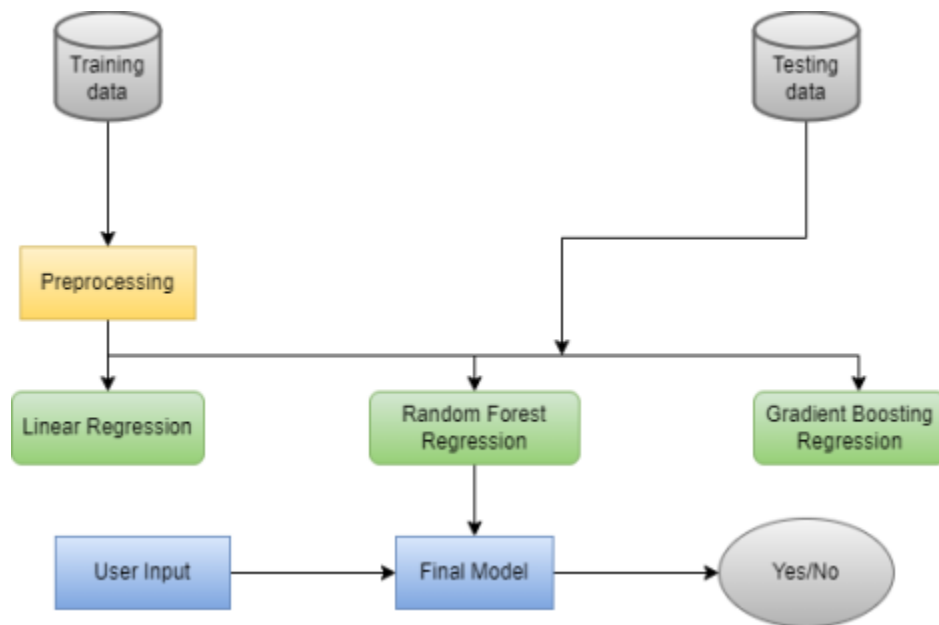
Age-related diseases are killing 150,000 people per day. Age estimation is an important medical and public health challenge. Age has a deep connection with health and mortality. Aging is a gradual process that results in increased health risk, and mortality over time. In general, a younger person is expected to have a better health condition and his/her mortality hazard should be low in comparison with a relatively older person. But two different people of the same age may have very different health conditions and mortality hazards. This brings up the debate on “chronological” versus “biological” age.

2.2 Proposed solution

Depending on your genetics and your lifestyle actions, your biological age will be higher or lower than your chronological one. Building a ML model which will provide a biological age taking methylation levels into consideration.

3. THEORITICAL ANALYSIS

3.1 Block diagram



3.2 Hardware / Software designing

Software Requirements:

Front-end: HTML, CSS, JavaScript

The HyperText Markup Language or HTML is the standard markup language for documents designed to be displayed in a web browser. It can be assisted by technologies such as Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) Web browsers receive HTML documents from a web server or from local storage CSS is designed to enable the separation of presentation and content, including layout, colors, and fonts. This separation can improve content accessibility; provide more flexibility and control in the specification of presentation characteristics; enable multiple web pages to share formatting by specifying the relevant CSS in a separate .css file, which reduces complexity and repetition in the structural content.

Back-end:

Jupyter Notebook

The Jupyter Notebook is the original web application for creating and sharing computational documents. It offers a simple, streamlined, document-centric experience. program used to mix code, comments, and visualizations in an interactive document called notebook that can be shared, reused, and reworked in a web browser. Jupyter Notebook is a web-based interactive computational environment for creating notebook documents. A Jupyter Notebook document is a browser-based REPL containing an ordered list of input/output cells which can contain code, text plots.

Flask

Flask is an API of Python that allows us to build up web-applications. It was developed by Armin Ronacher. Flask's framework is more explicit than Django's framework and is also easier to learn because it has less base code to implement a simple web-Application. Flask is based on the WSGI (Web Server Gateway Interface) toolkit and Jinja2 template engine.

4. EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS

Sr.No	Research Paper	Overview
1.	Biological Age Predictors	This paper aims on predicting the biological age for human based on DNAmAge and Aging Phenotypes
2.	Deep learning for biological age estimation	In this paper,the age is predicated based BA estimation methods using human biomarkers, human anthropometry and locomotor activity
3.	Prediction of biological age and all-cause mortality by 12-lead electrocardiogram in patients without structural heart disease.	This model showed a similar predictive capability to CA for all cause death and cardiovascular death among total patients, but partially showed a significant increase in the predictive capability among patients aged 60–74 years old.

5. Results

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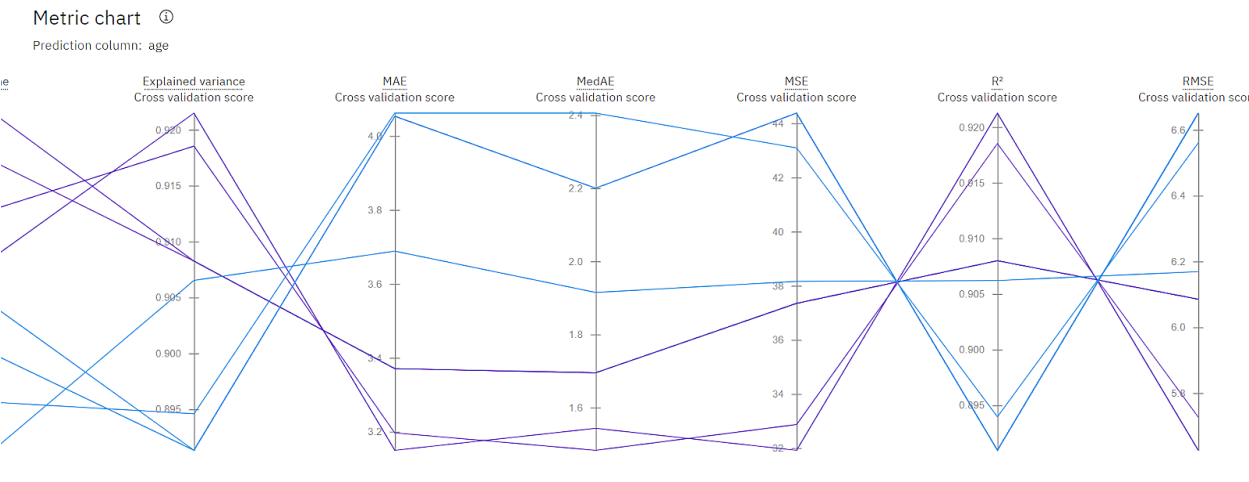
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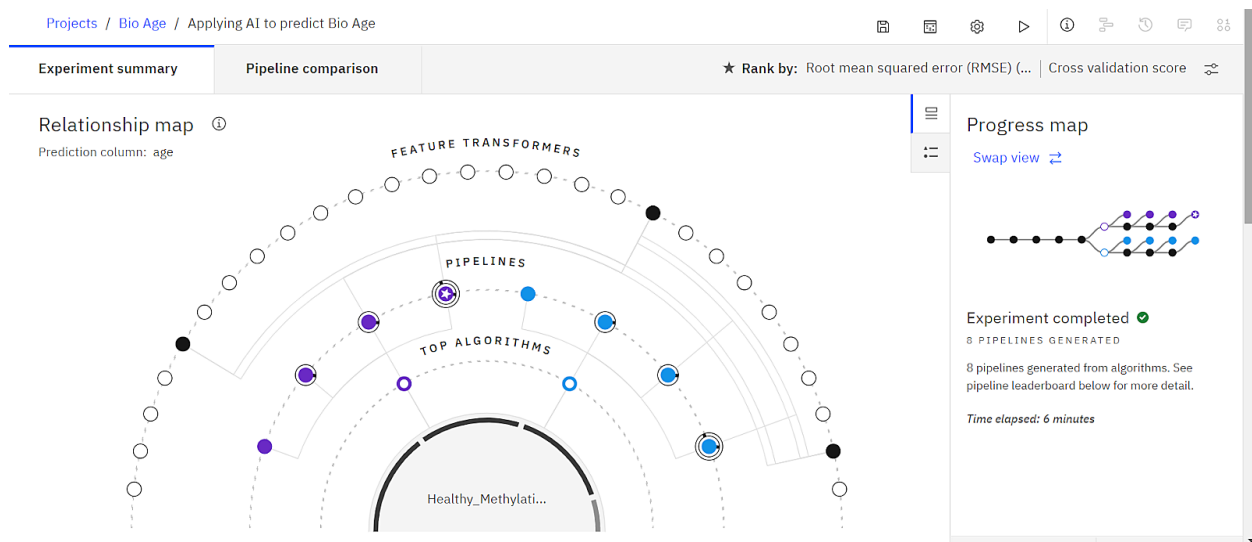
Experiment summary

Pipeline comparison

★ Rank by: Root mean squared error (RMSE) (...) | Cross validation score



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	2	Pipeline 3	Random Forest Regressor		5.727	HPO-1 FE	00:00:46
	3	Pipeline 2	Random Forest Regressor		6.085	HPO-1	00:00:18
	4	Pipeline 1	Random Forest Regressor		6.085	None	00:00:01
	5	Pipeline 8	LGBM Regressor		6.169	HPO-1 FE HPO-2	00:02:10
	6	Pipeline 7	LGBM Regressor		6.560	HPO-1 FE	00:01:00



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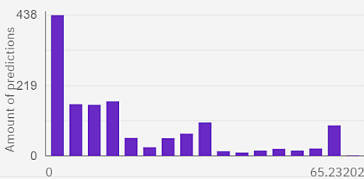
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Predict

Prediction results

Regression classification

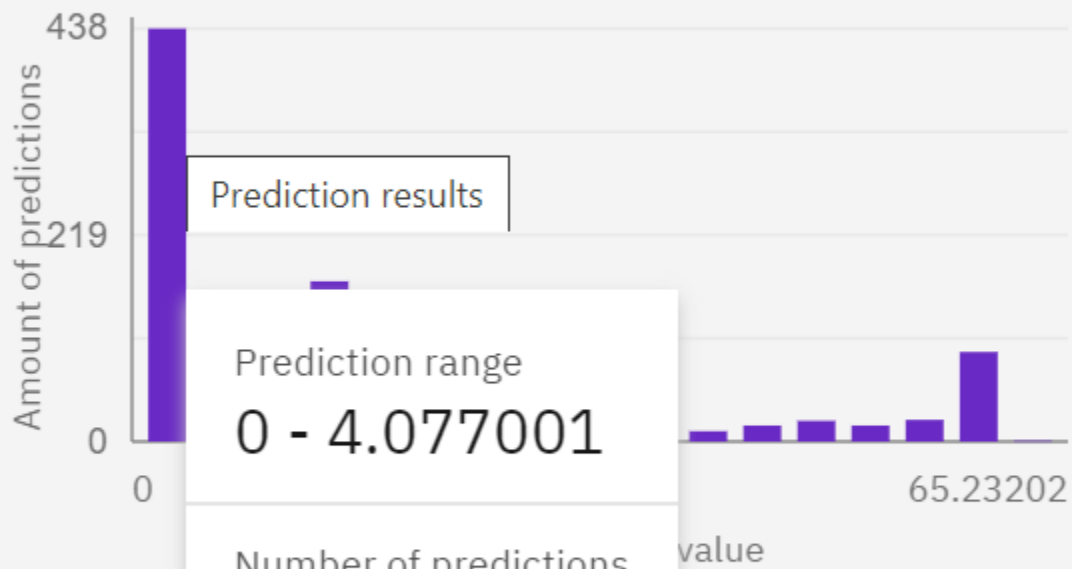
Prediction distribution



	Prediction
1	65.0582871954125
2	64.63239600859492
3	63.4382524835058
4	52.52556903678251
5	62.796697088034755
6	64.83322695077183
7	58.349404116710986

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Prediction distribution



Prediction results

Prediction range

0 - 4.077001

Number of predictions

438

7. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

Advantages

1. The model can accurately predict the biological age of person.
2. The model would help people understand their lifestyle
3. The project can help people to step toward a healthy lifestyle.

Disadvantages

1. Model do not use aging biomarkers so developing model became tedious.
2. Relationship between Biological age and Cardiorespiratory Fitness cannot be inferred from the model

8. APPLICATIONS

- Can be applied in researches, medicine development.
- Can be used as a useful index to predict a person's risk of death in the future.
- Can be helpful for transformation step towards a high tech-world.

9. CONCLUSION

In summary, this project provides a valid ML-based measure of biological aging for different age grouped people. We further demonstrated that this model gives best accuracy which was associated with physical disability incidence and mortality. These associations were comparable to that of a valid physiological biomarkers-based aging measure that were previously developed. The findings support the application of ML in geroscience research and promote further understanding of the aging process. Together with the model and dashboard, these aging measures could serve as a proxy of life span and help with the risk stratification in the general older adults.

10. FUTURE SCOPE

The future scope is limitless for the purpose of improving lifestyle, as humans always want to live longer, stay healthy and happy. So that project will be more useful for human beings. In this we have just developed a model. By using this system we were able to accurately predict users' biological age. Currently, we have used a random forest algorithm and flask as front-end to do so. Considering all above points, followings are our future works set to improve the system:

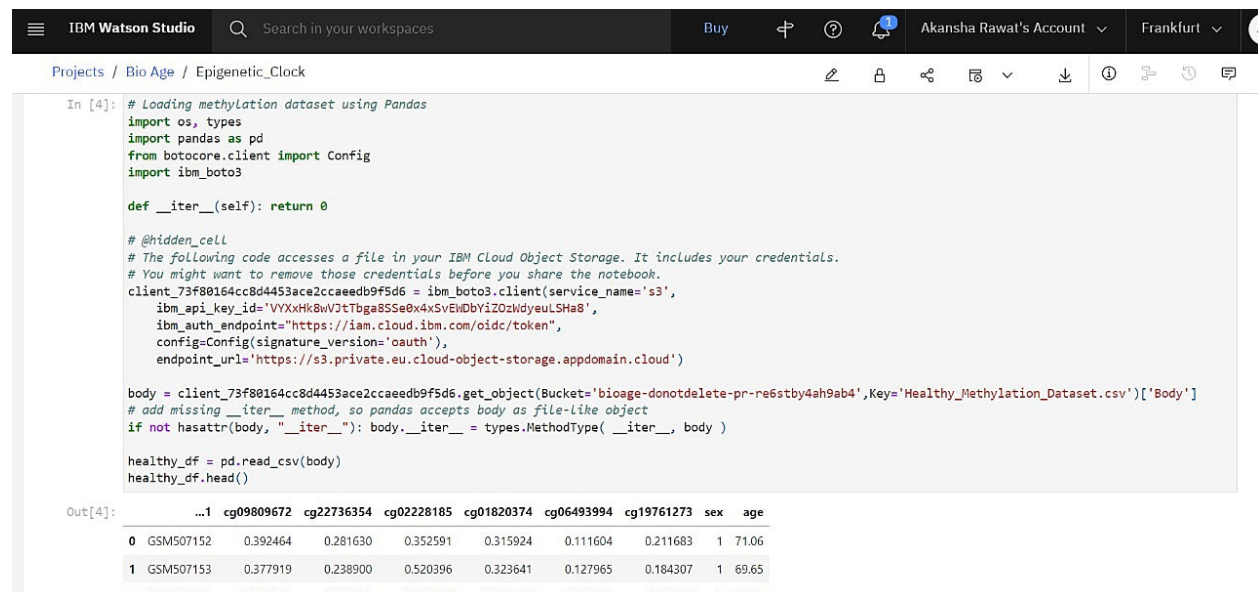
- Use Geometric deep learning to build a 3D model.
- Use of aging biomarkers development provided by AI instead of tedious multi-stage process which requires proof of concept and experimental validation.
- To study the relationship between Biological Age(BA) and Cardiorespiratory Fitness(CRF), using a deep learning framework.

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APPENDIX

A. Source Code



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In [4]: # Loading methylation dataset using Pandas
import os, types
import pandas as pd
from botocore.client import Config
import ibm_boto3

def __iter__(self): return 0

#@hidden_cell
# The following code accesses a file in your IBM Cloud Object Storage. It includes your credentials.
# You might want to remove those credentials before you share the notebook.
client_73f80164cc8d4453ace2cceaedb9f5d6 = ibm_boto3.client(service_name='s3',
    ibm_api_key_id='VYXxHk6wV7tTbga8SSe8x4xSVEnDbYiZ0zWdyeuLSHa8',
    ibm_auth_endpoint='https://iam.cloud.ibm.com/oidc/token',
    config=Config(signature_version='oauth'),
    endpoint_url='https://s3.private.eu.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud')

body = client_73f80164cc8d4453ace2cceaedb9f5d6.get_object(Bucket='bioage-donotdelete-pr-re6stby4ah9ab4',Key='Healthy_Methylation_Dataset.csv')['Body']
# add missing __iter__ method, so pandas accepts body as file-like object
if not hasattr(body, "__iter__"): body.__iter__ = types.MethodType( __iter__, body )

healthy_df = pd.read_csv(body)
healthy_df.head()
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Out[4]:

	...	cg09809672	cg22736354	cg02228185	cg01820374	cg06493994	cg19761273	sex	age
0	GSM507152	0.392464	0.281630	0.352591	0.315924	0.111604	0.211683	1	71.06
1	GSM507153	0.377919	0.238900	0.520396	0.323641	0.127965	0.184307	1	69.65
2	GSM507154	0.458532	0.204078	0.510273	0.363714	0.110881	0.215067	1	65.79

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In [5]: # Shuffle dataframe to randomize data order, possibly preventing confounding factors
healthy_df = shuffle(healthy_df)

# Remove patient ID column
healthy_df = healthy_df.drop(['...1'], axis=1)

# Drop all rows with NaN values
healthy_df = healthy_df.dropna()

# Reset Index
healthy_df.reset_index(inplace=True, drop=True)

healthy_df.head()
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Out[5]:
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	cg09809672	cg22736354	cg02228185	cg01820374	cg06493994	cg19761273	sex	age
0	0.861134	0.030339	0.772940	0.764273	0.038618	0.407311	1	0.00
1	0.665470	0.111330	0.644090	0.528570	0.050360	0.325280	0	4.25
2	0.613737	0.231627	0.798076	0.392510	0.179445	0.307907	0	32.00
3	0.847000	0.076200	0.781000	0.762000	0.030100	0.416000	0	0.00
4	0.875370	0.127060	0.704220	0.589560	0.014410	0.668570	1	0.00

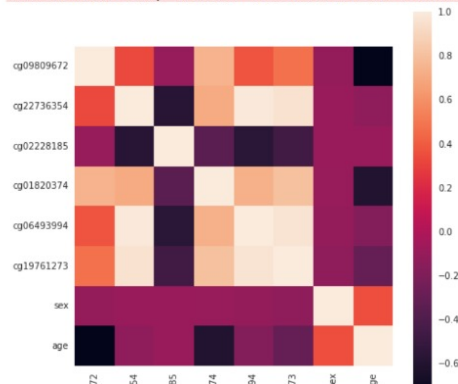
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In [6]: # Checking if there are any remaining NaNs in the dataset
np.where(pd.isnull(healthy_df))
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Out[6]: (array([], dtype=int64), array([], dtype=int64))
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# cg09809672, cg22736354, cg02228185, cg01820374, cg06493994, cg19761273, sex, age
C_mat = healthy_df.corr()
fig = plt.figure(figsize = (8,8))

sb.heatmap(C_mat, vmax=1, square=True)
plt.show()
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[8]: # Normalizing the methylation and sex data with a Standard Scaler.
X = healthy_df[['cg09809672', 'cg22736354', 'cg02228185', 'cg01820374', 'cg06493994', 'cg19761273', 'sex']]

# Separating X vs. y dataframes
X_std = pd.DataFrame(std_scaler.fit_transform(X), columns=X.columns)
y = healthy_df['age']
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[9]: # Separating dataset into train and test subsets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.33, random_state = 42)
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# Accuracy on the testing set
test_acc = random_forest_regressor.score(X_test, y_test)
print(test_acc)
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0.9302161785526581

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predictions = random_forest_regressor.predict(X_test)

# Since age cannot be negative, changing all negative predictions to age 0
for n, element in enumerate(predictions):
    if element < 0:
        predictions[n] = 0

# Looking at sample predictions for the testing set
for i in range(0, 10):
    print("Prediction:", predictions[i], "\tActual:", y_test.iloc[i])
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Prediction:	67.63982352941176	Actual:	68.2
Prediction:	0.754901960764706	Actual:	0.0
Prediction:	61.47823529411764	Actual:	60.9
Prediction:	17.63235294117647	Actual:	17.0
Prediction:	0.0	Actual:	0.0
Prediction:	8.235294117352941	Actual:	12.91666667
Prediction:	13.014705882764705	Actual:	13.41666667
Prediction:	30.235294117647058	Actual:	30.0
Prediction:	7.563725491529412	Actual:	5.916666667
Prediction:	0.0	Actual:	0.0

