

# Machine-Learning Models to Predict Cathode Performance

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## Introduction and Objective

**Our objective is to build a model predicting cathode performance (i.e. capacity) using a dataset of cathode materials from the Taylor Sparks Group at University of Utah.**

- **What features are important to predict cathode performance?**
- **What machine learning method works best for prediction of cathode performance?**

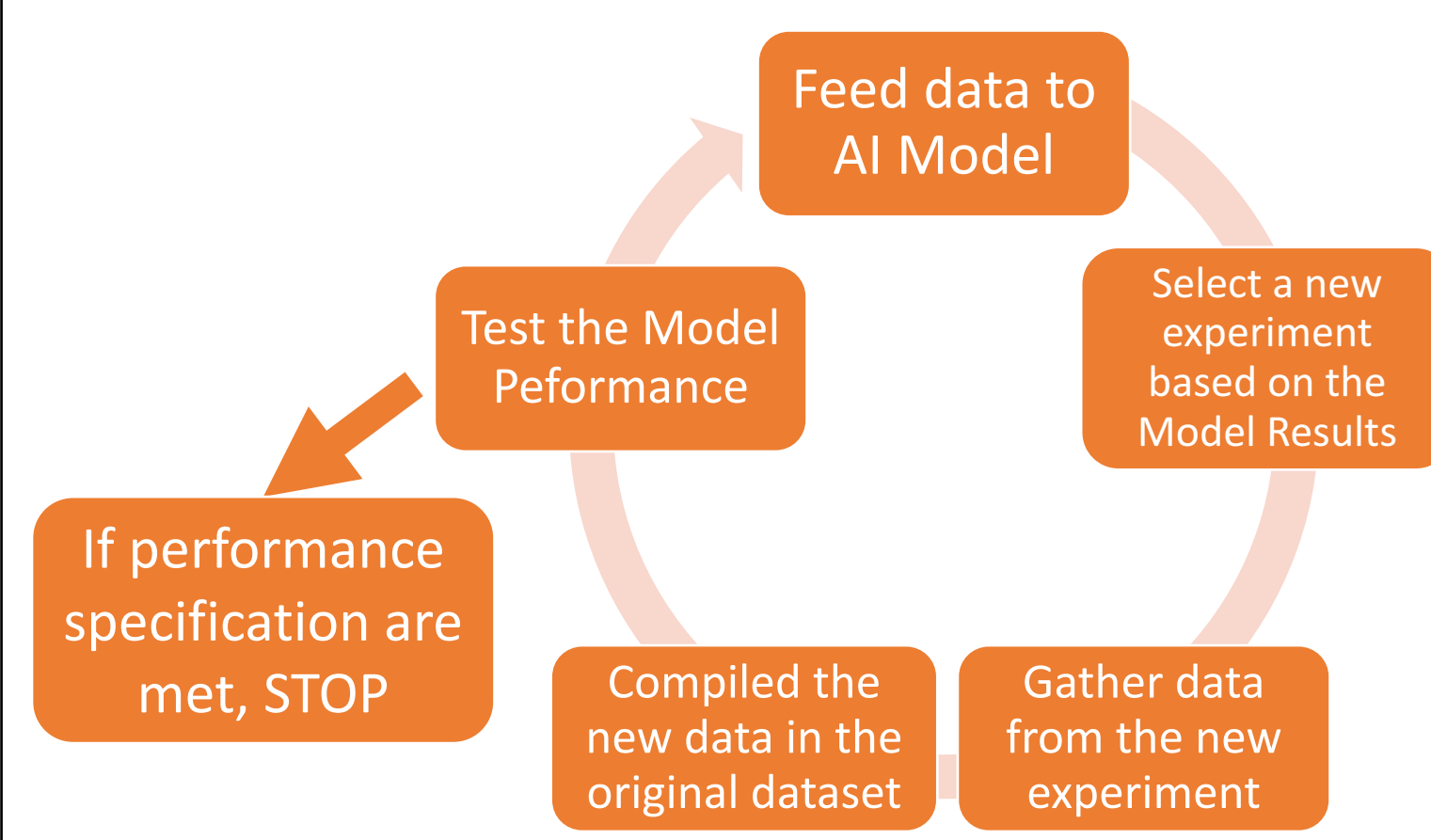
## Our Collaborator

Citrine Informatics: Provides a materials data science and artificial intelligence platform that allows users to

1. Store to and extract from material data infrastructure
2. Run machine learning models

## Benefits of AI for Materials

- Promotes sharing materials knowledge
- Accelerates material development and discovery through “sequential learning”



## Literature Review

Features that affect cathode capacity:

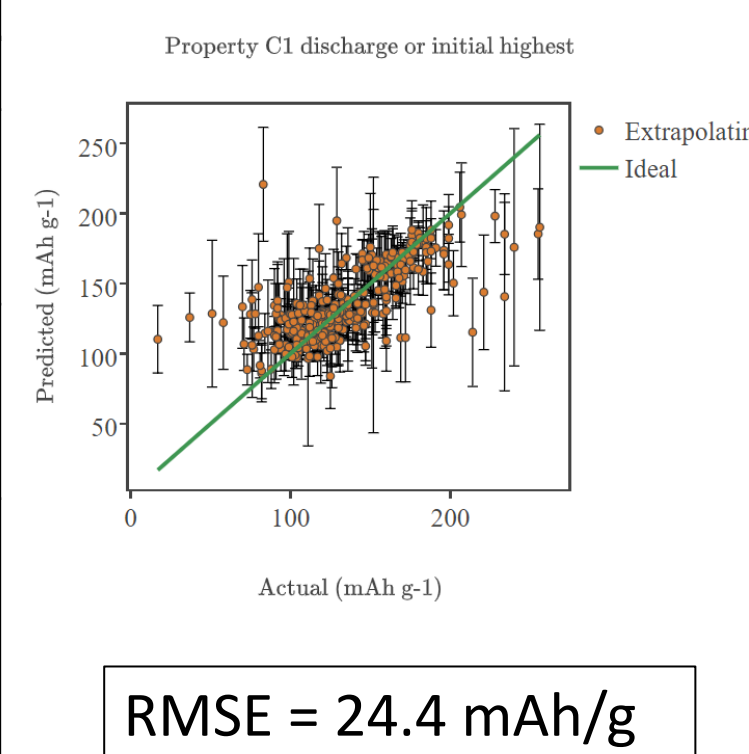
- Material (e.g. chemical composition) [1]
  - Design Parameters (e.g. electrode thickness and porosity) [2]
- ML algorithms implemented to predict Ni-rich NCM cathode properties [3]
- 13 input features (synthesis parameters, inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry, X-ray diffraction)
  - Extremely Randomized Tree model with AdaBoost algorithm best predicted initial capacity, residual Li, and the cycle life

## Results from Citrine Platform

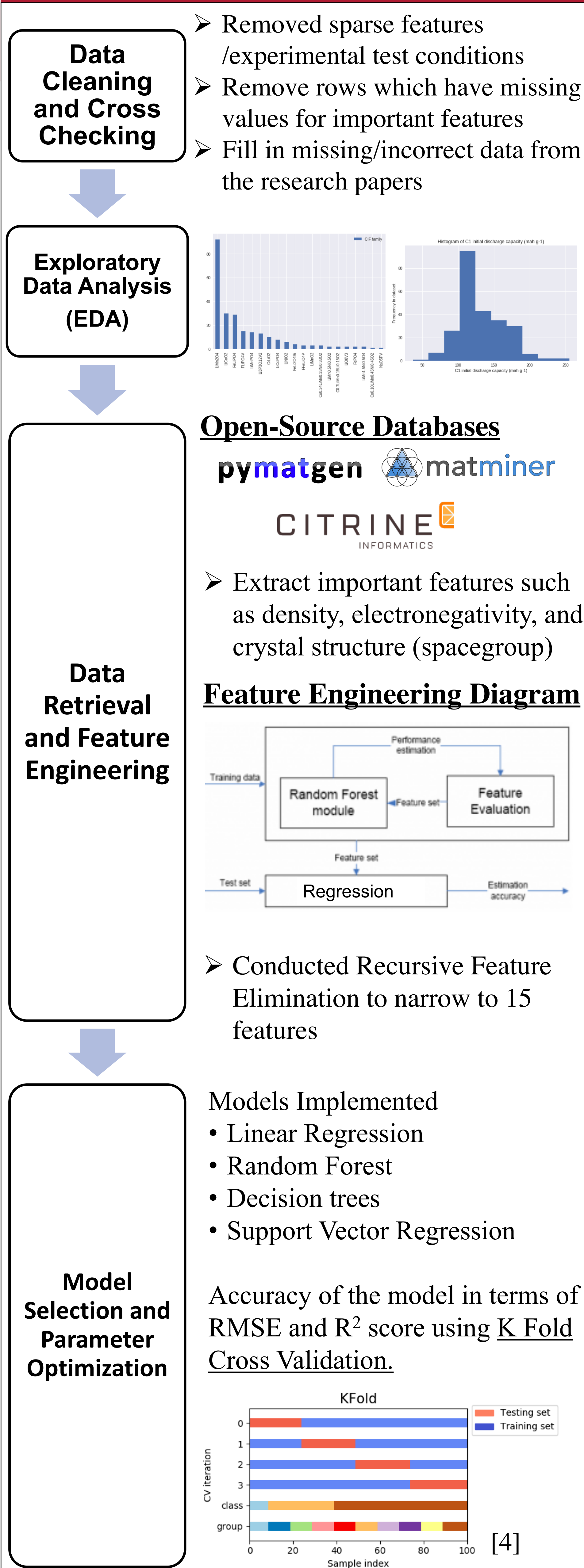
**Random Forest Model on Citration using only features from Taylor Sparks dataset**

**Important features for capacity**

Features	Importance
structure type	26.1%
coulombic efficiency at first cycle	4.7%
mean of Elemental polarizability for formula	4.1%
mean of Number of unfilled p valence electrons for formula	3.4%
Voltage range max	3.0%



## Our Method

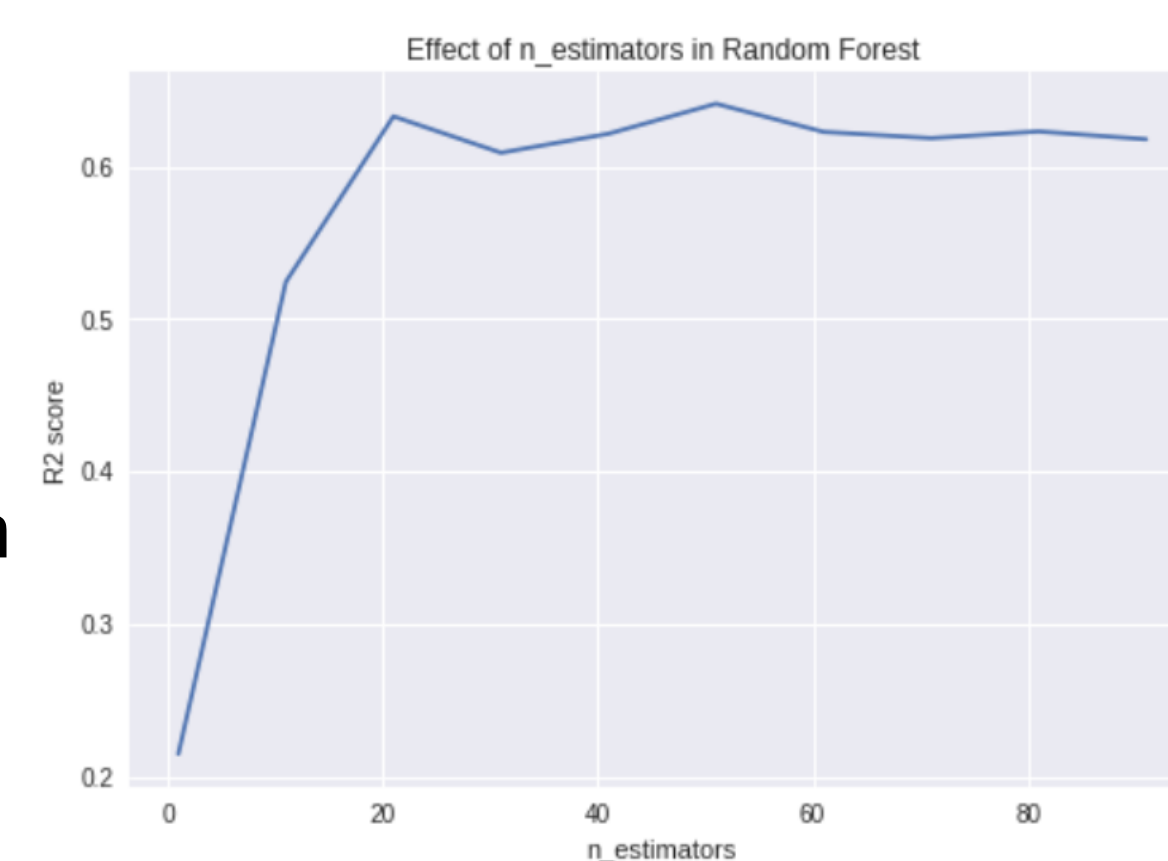


## Our Results

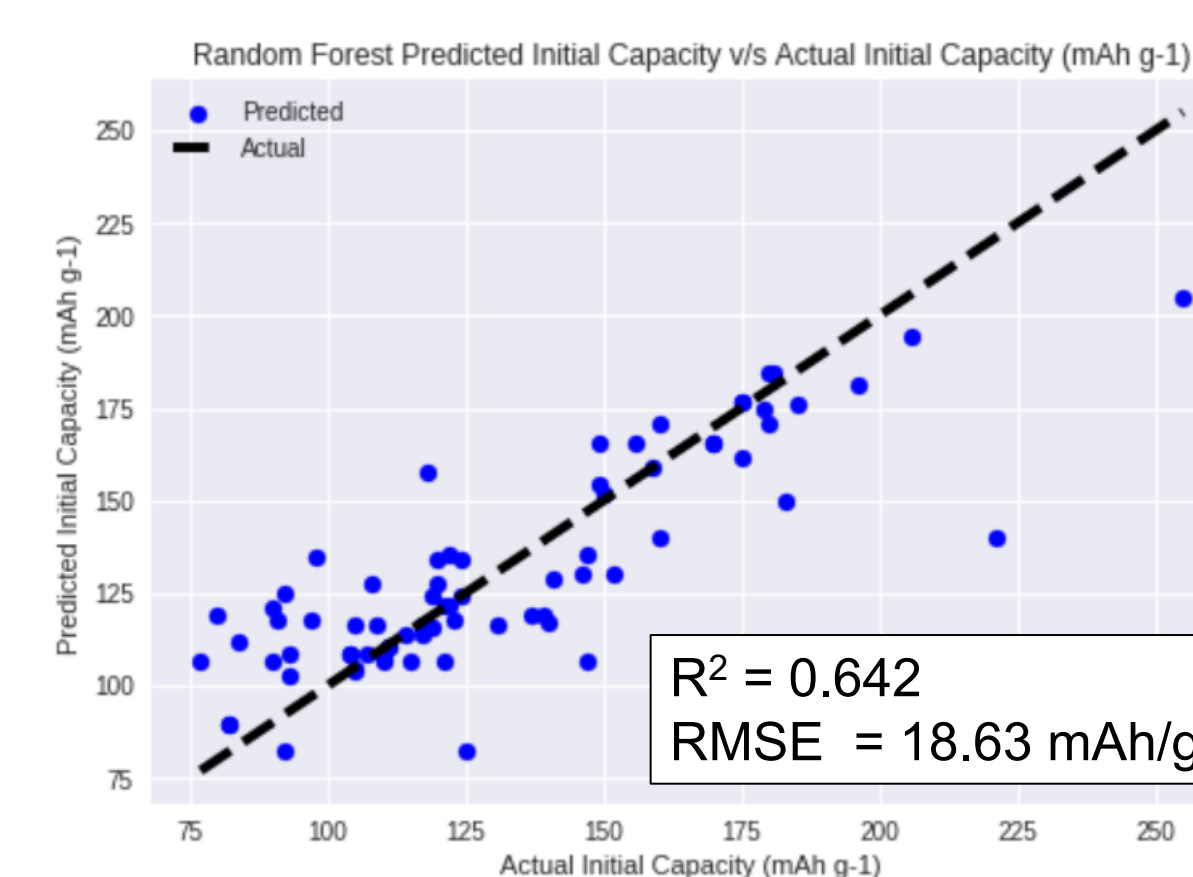
### Features Selected As Important From Recursive Feature Elimination

Electrode Composition	Voltage range min (V)	Molecular Mass (g/mol)	Mean of Elemental Crystal Structure (Space Group)
Coating	Voltage range max (V)	Elemental Fraction	Mean of Interatomic distance
Average Electronegativity	Estimated Theoretical Capacity (mAh/g)	Structure Type	

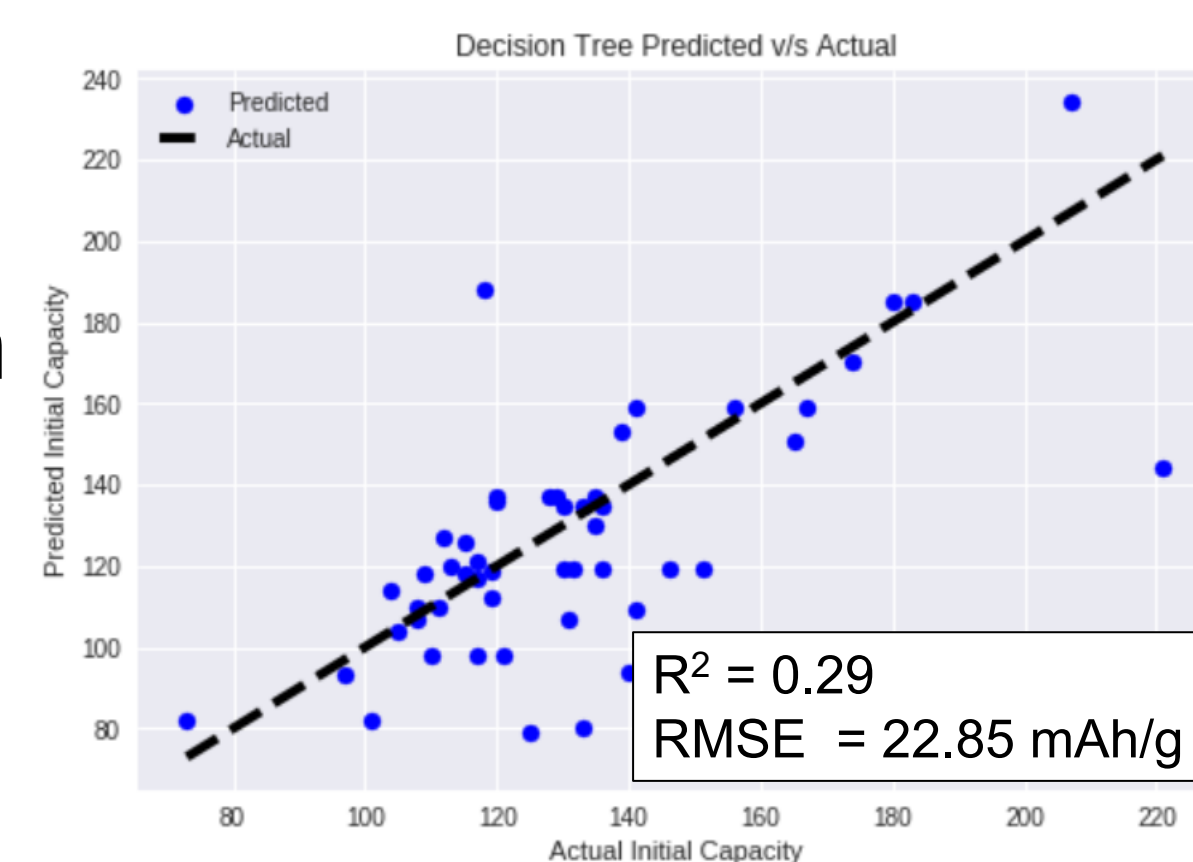
### Hyper-parameter Optimization



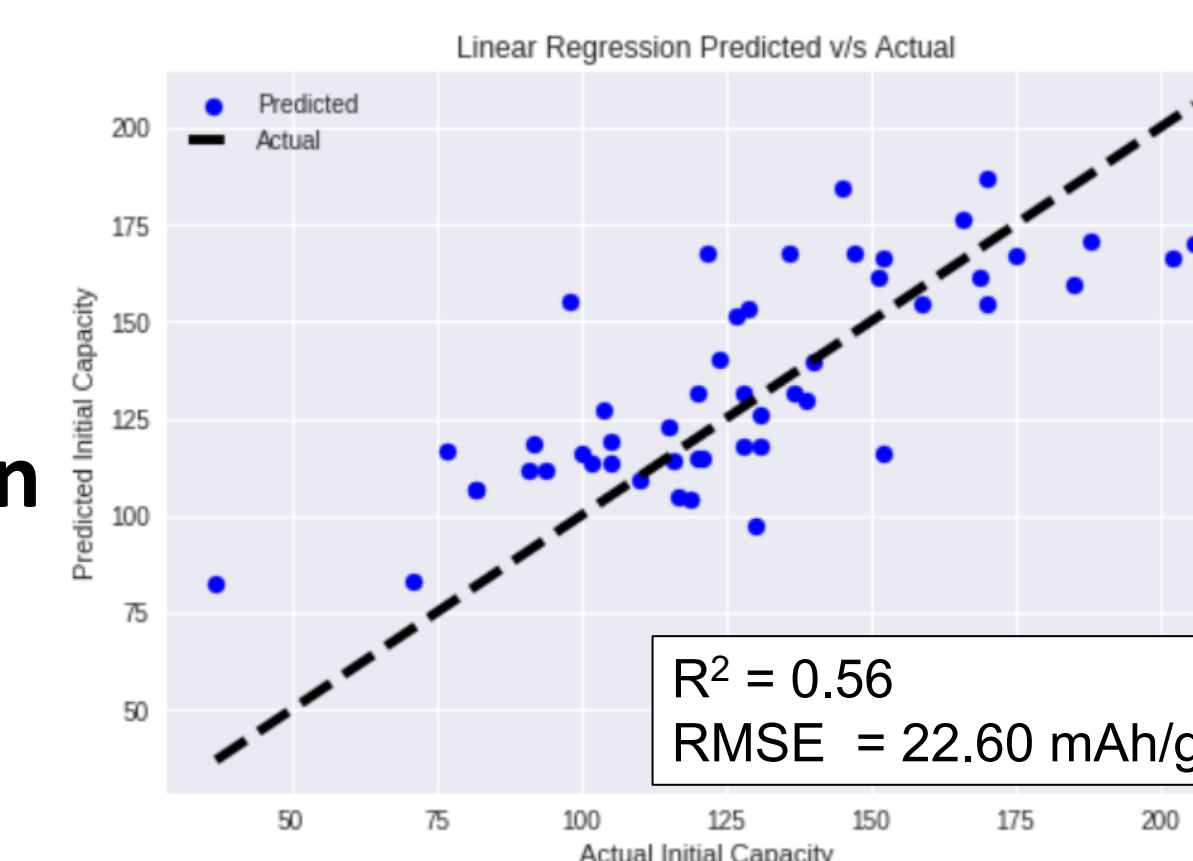
### Random Forest



### Decision Tree



### Linear Regression



## Suggestions for Future Work

- Adding more data (Trained on 247 training examples out of the initial 343 in dataset due to missing/incorrect values)
- Test with more material properties to identify other predictors
- Predict other performance properties such as cycle life

## Summary

- Random Forest Model best predicted initial capacity
- Founded 15 best features to represent the data using Recursive Feature Elimination
- With more data on cathodes, the model would be more robust

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