

Workshop on Applications of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

# Explainable AI in Space Weather Predictions

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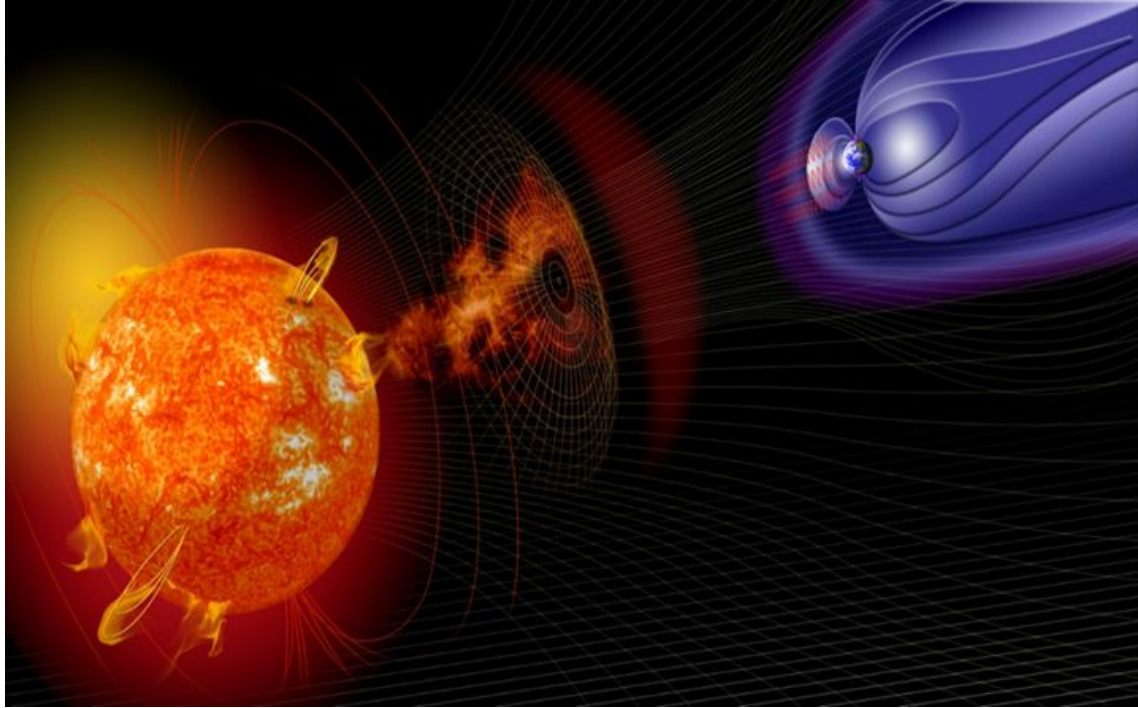
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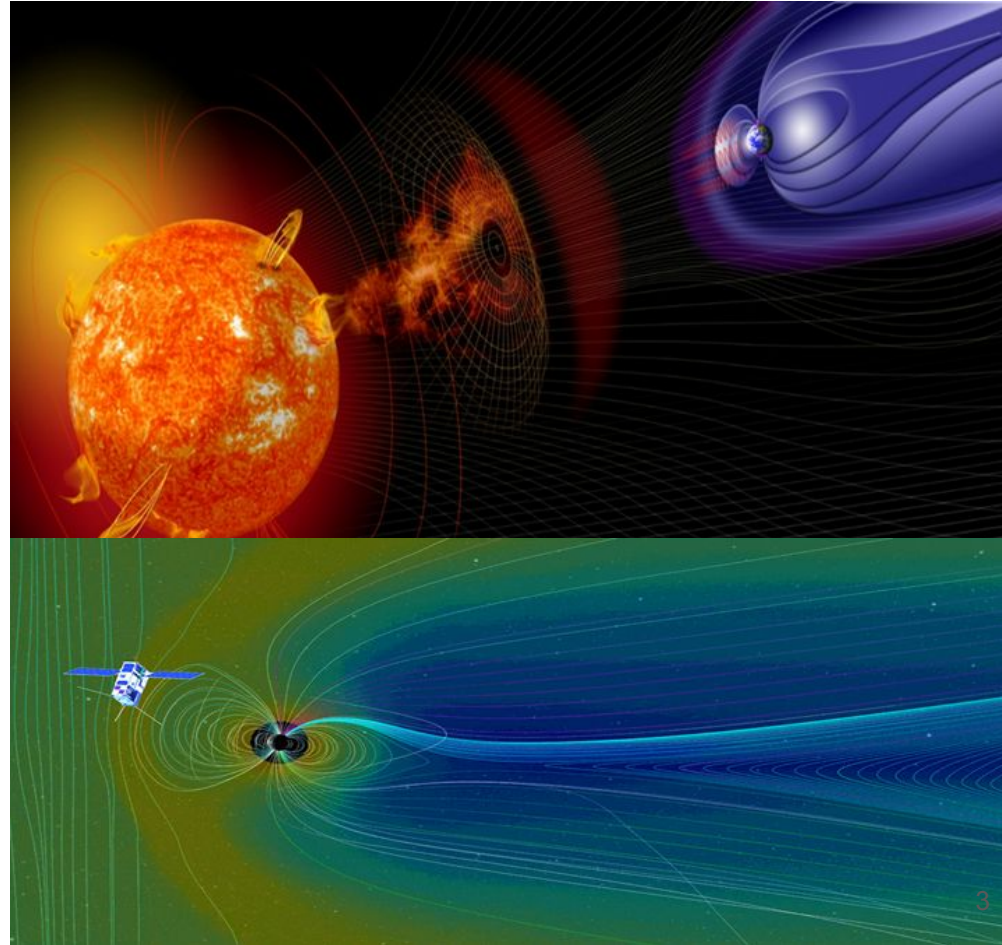
## Space Weather - A short Intro

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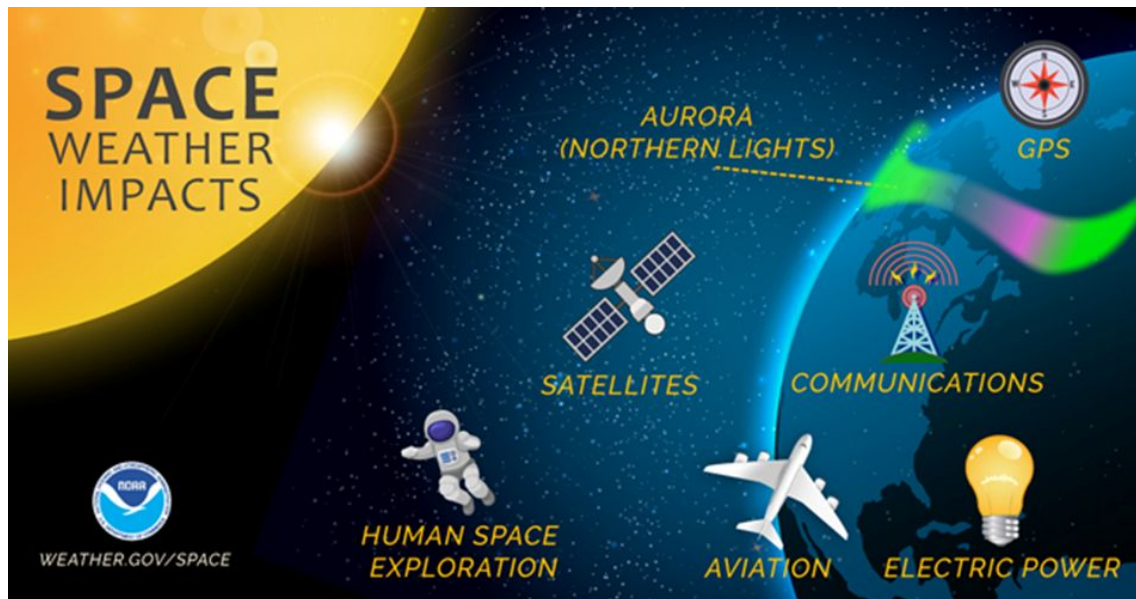
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- The stream of plasma ejected out from the sun travels through interplanetary space.
- Interacts with earth's magnetic field causing minor to major variations from aurora to Geomagnetic storms.



## Need for Space weather Predictions

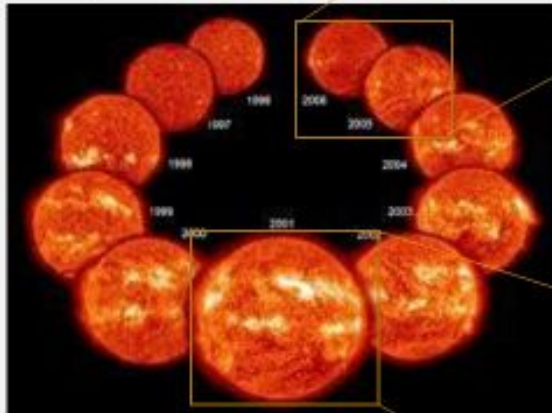
- Evaluate the nature of Geomagnetic storms in advance
- Safe human space exploration
- To avoid major power outages
- To avoid disturbances in HF communication, as ionosphere density varies with storms and radiation



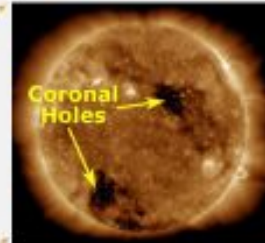
## SOURCE OF SPACEWEATHER EVENTS

### Coronal Holes

### 11 year solar cycle

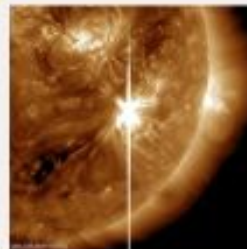


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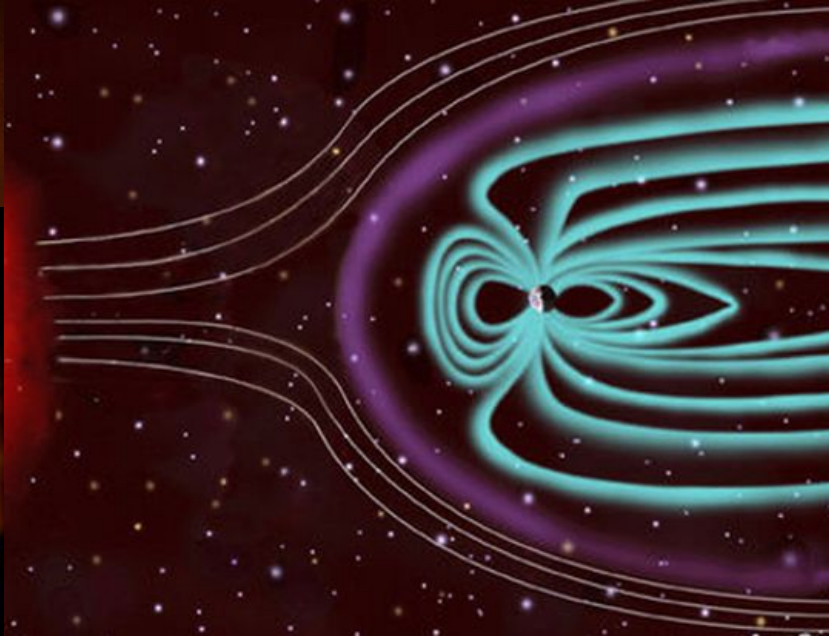
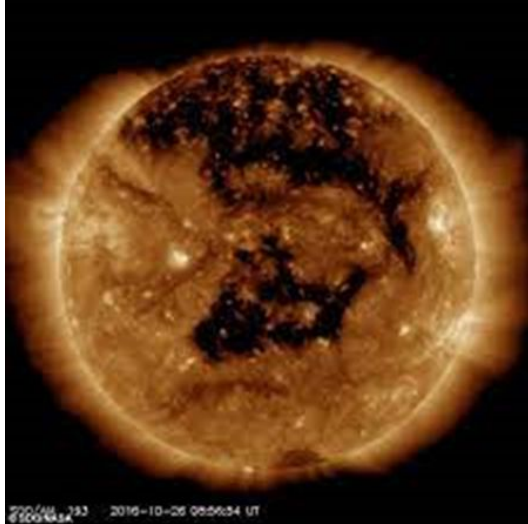
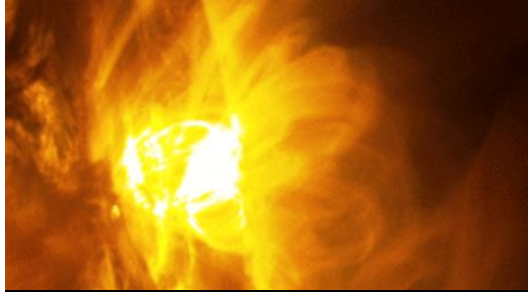
- Prominent in Descending phase
- Speed 300-1000 Km/s
- Reaches earth 2 to 5 days
- Recurrent and stable

### Coronal Mass Ejections(CMEs)



- Prominent in Solar maximum
- Speed 500-1500 Km/s
- Reaches earth within 15 hrs to 3 days
- Sudden and intense

## Space weather Prediction : Solar wind speed



# Solar wind speed prediction: Data Source

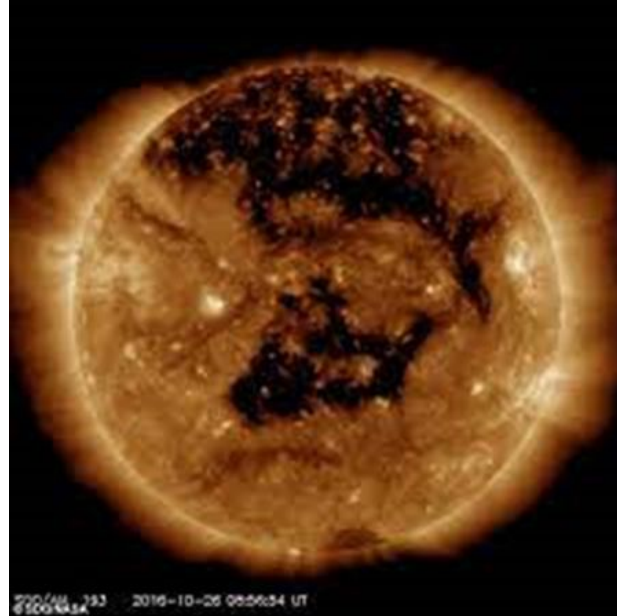
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## Input dataset:

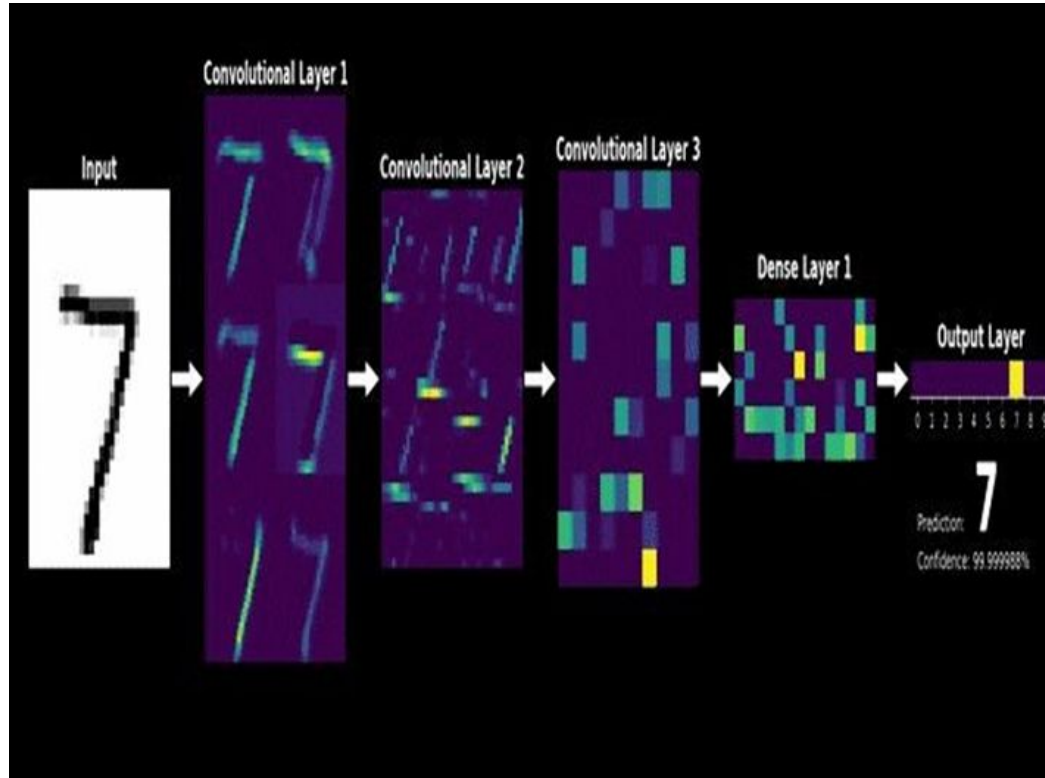
- SDO/AIA -193Å(FITS file)
- Spatial Resolution: 512x512
- Temporal Resolution: 2 hr
- Link:Stanford ML curated dataset
- <https://purl.stanford.edu/jc488jb7715>

## SW dataset:

- Solar wind Speed: ACE
- Location: L1 Lagrangian point
- Temporal resolution :2 hours
- Link:  
<http://www.srl.caltech.edu/ACE/ASC/level2>

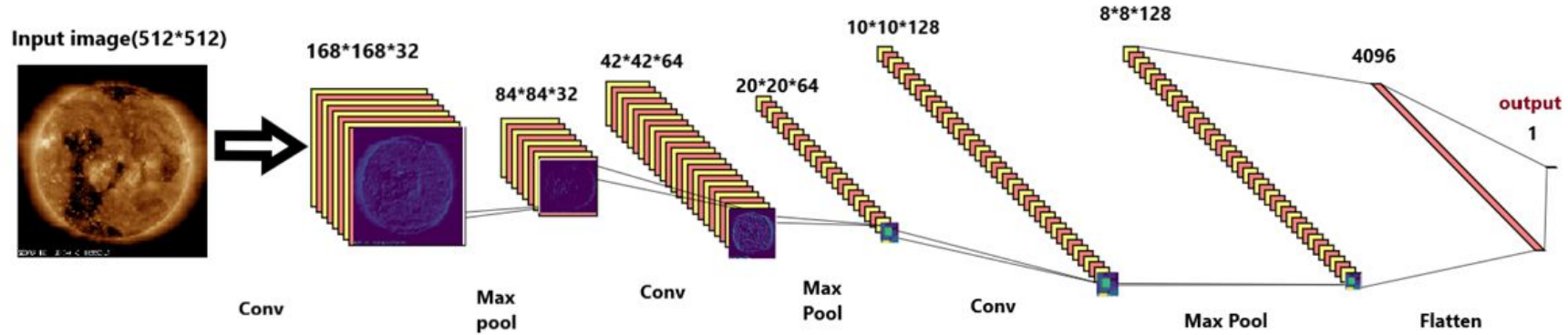


## Solar wind speed prediction: CNN

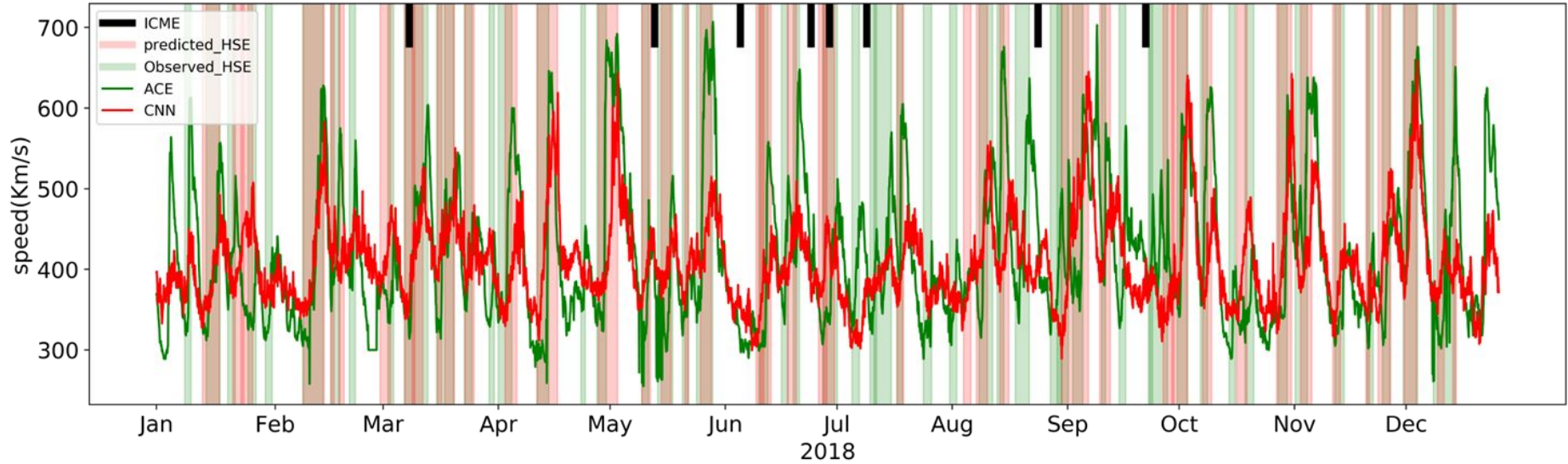




# Solar wind speed prediction: CNN Model



## Space weather Prediction : Solar wind speed (Results)



# Solar wind speed prediction: Visualization

## Gradient Weighted Class Activation Mapping

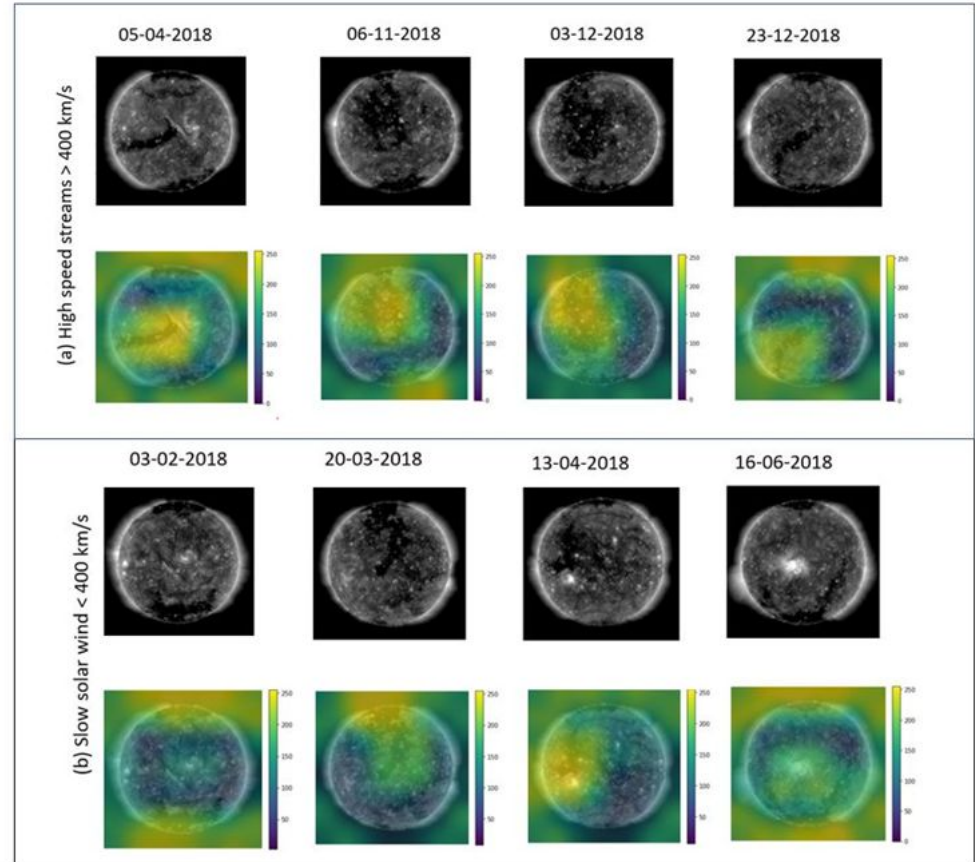
- Used Gradcam Visualization technique with python package ELI5

## High speed streams:

- CNN activated Coronal Hole regions

## Slow solar wind:

- Source of slow solar wind is still a debated topic
- CNN had activated active regions, polar CHs.



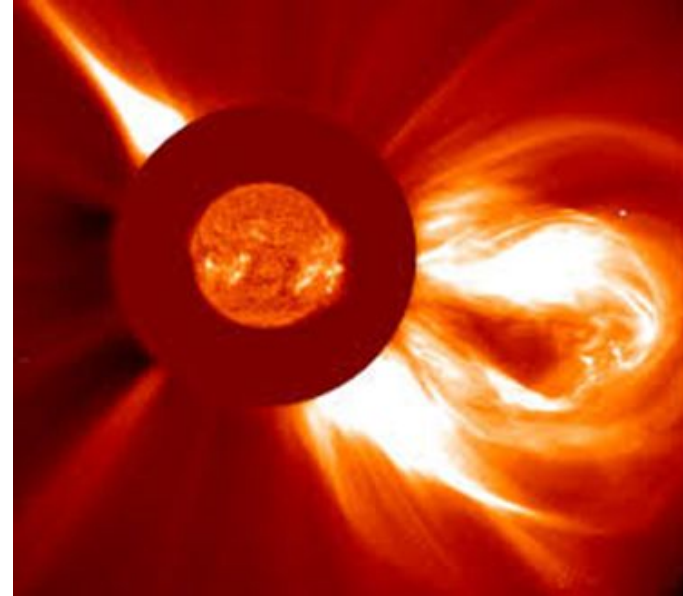
# **Predicting flare associated CMEs**

## Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Problem Statement

- More than 90% CMEs were associated with large class (M/X) flares (Bobra et al., 2015)
- Whether a flare will be associated with CME?
- Understanding the conditions that lead up to a CME or flare

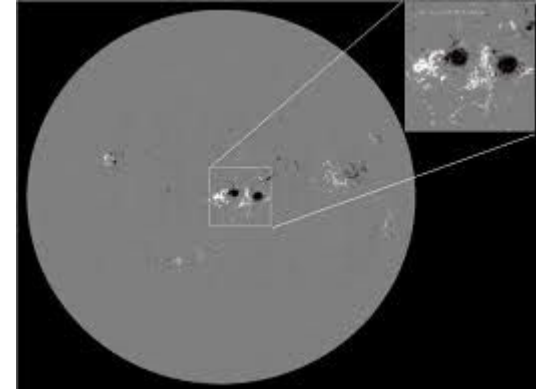
### Why ML?

- There is no single parameter that clearly distinguishes between flares associated with CMEs and the flares that are not associated with CMES
- Previous statistical studies are based on individual correlation of flare parameters with occurrence of CMEs.
- Combination of parameters for huge data manually will be a tedious task

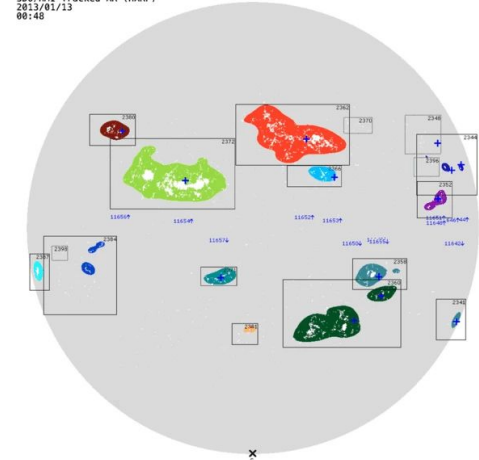


# Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Data source

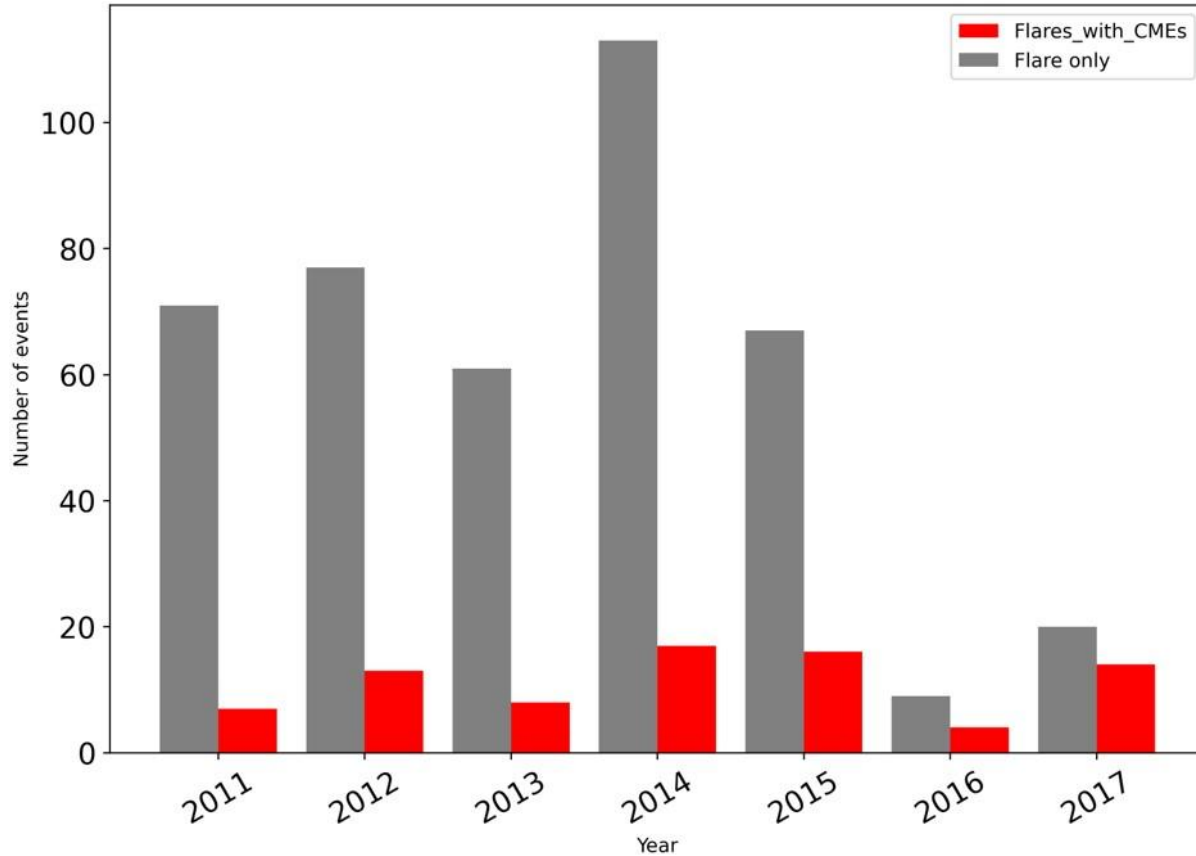
Keyword	Description	Formula
MEANGBH	Mean gradient of horizontal field	$ \nabla B_h  = \frac{1}{N} \sum \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial B_h}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial B_h}{\partial y}\right)^2}$
MEANJZH	Mean current helicity ( $B_z$ contribution)	$H_c \propto \frac{1}{N} \sum B_z \cdot J_z$
MEANALP	Mean characteristic twist parameter, $\alpha$	$\alpha_{\text{total}} \propto \frac{\sum J_z B_z}{\sum B_z^2}$
MEANGBT	Mean gradient of total field	$ \nabla B_{\text{tot}}  = \frac{1}{N} \sum \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial y}\right)^2}$
MEANPOT	Mean photospheric magnetic free energy	$\bar{\rho} \propto \frac{1}{N} \sum (\mathbf{B}^{\text{Obs}} - \mathbf{B}^{\text{Pot}})^2$
MEANSHR	Mean shear angle	$\Gamma = \frac{1}{N} \sum \arccos\left(\frac{\mathbf{B}^{\text{Obs}} \cdot \mathbf{B}^{\text{Pot}}}{ \mathbf{B}^{\text{Obs}}   \mathbf{B}^{\text{Pot}} }\right)$
SHRGT45	Fraction of Area with Shear $>45^\circ$	Area with Shear $>45^\circ$ / Total Area
TOTPOT	Total photospheric magnetic free energy density	$\rho_{\text{tot}} \propto \sum (\mathbf{B}^{\text{Obs}} - \mathbf{B}^{\text{Pot}})^2 dA$
MEANJZD	Mean vertical current density	$J_z \propto \frac{1}{N} \sum \left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y}\right)$
USFLUX	Total unsigned flux	$\Phi = \sum  B_z  dA$
MEANGAM	Mean angle of field from radial	$\bar{\gamma} = \frac{1}{N} \sum \arctan\left(\frac{B_h}{B_z}\right)$
TOTUSIZ	Total unsigned vertical current	$J_{z\text{total}} = \sum  J_z  dA$
ABSNIJZH	Absolute value of the net current helicity	$H_{c\text{abs}} \propto  \sum B_z \cdot J_z $
AREA_ACR	Area of strong field pixels in the active region	Area = $\sum$ Pixels
R_VALUE	Sum of flux near polarity inversion line	$\Phi = \sum  B_{\text{LOS}}  dA$ within R mask
TOTUSIH	Total unsigned current helicity	$H_{c\text{total}} \propto \sum  B_z \cdot J_z $
	Flare Class	$FC = CM$
SAVNCPP	Sum of the modulus of the net current per polarity	$J_{z\text{sum}} \propto \left  \sum B_z^+ J_z dA \right  + \left  \sum B_z^- J_z dA \right $
MEANGBZ	Mean gradient of vertical field	$ \nabla B_z  = \frac{1}{N} \sum \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y}\right)^2}$



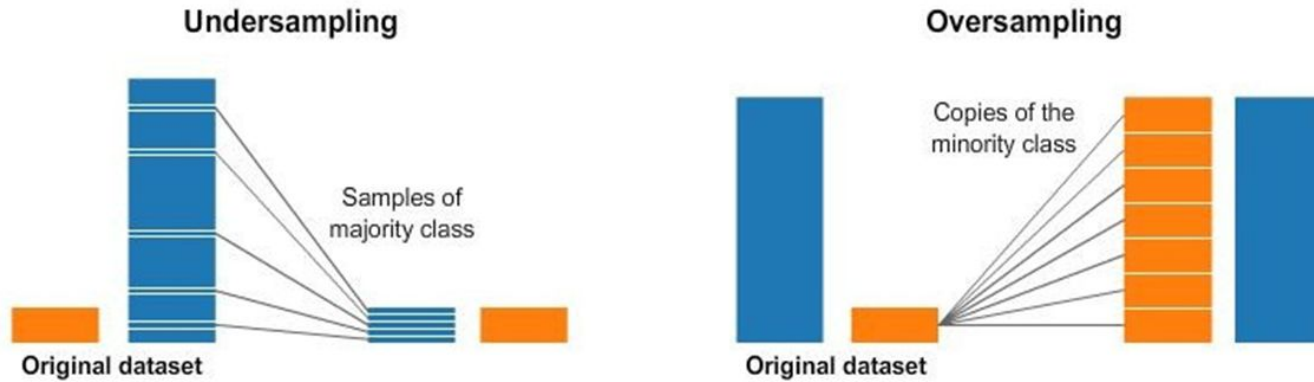
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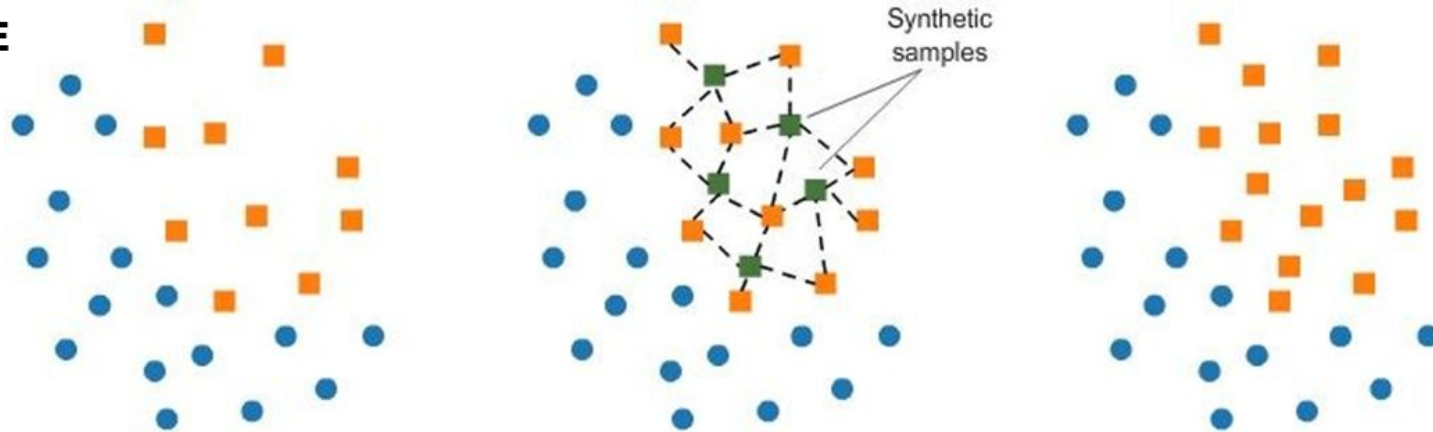
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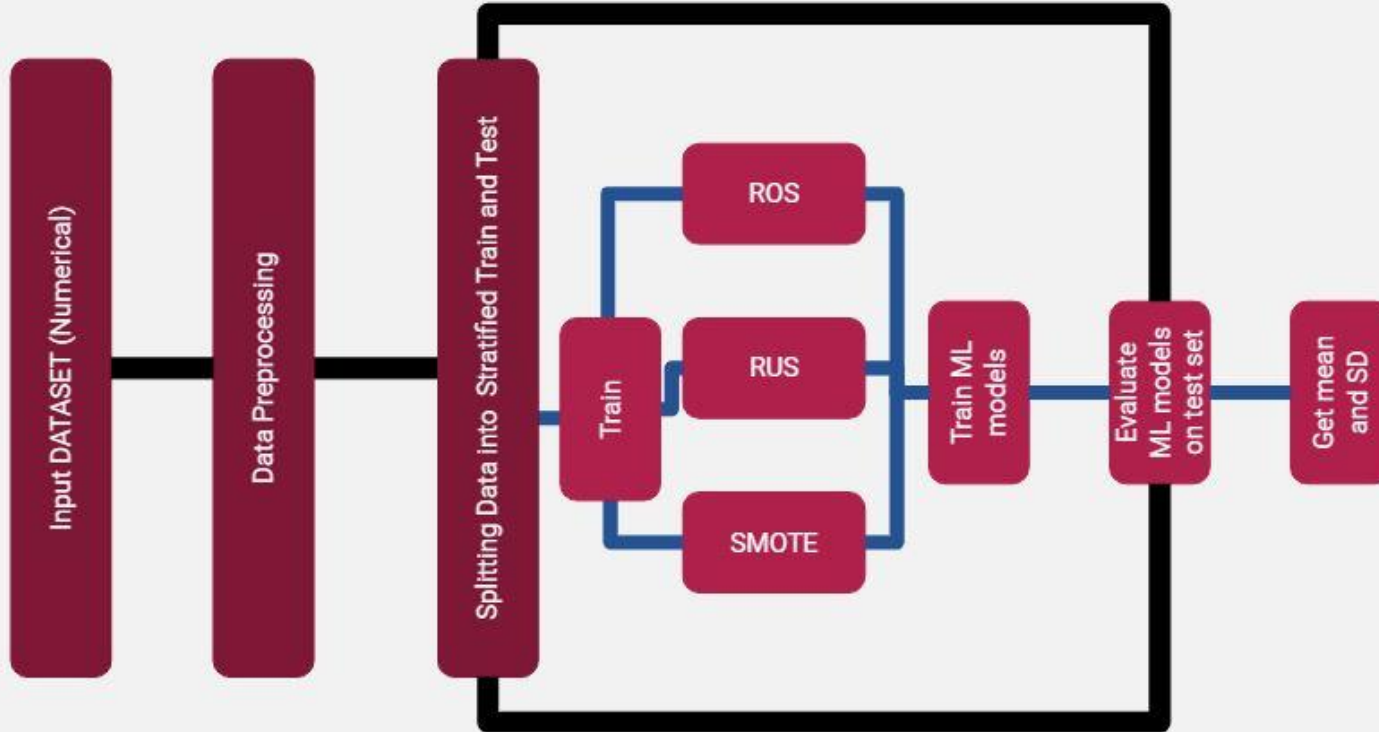


## SMOTE



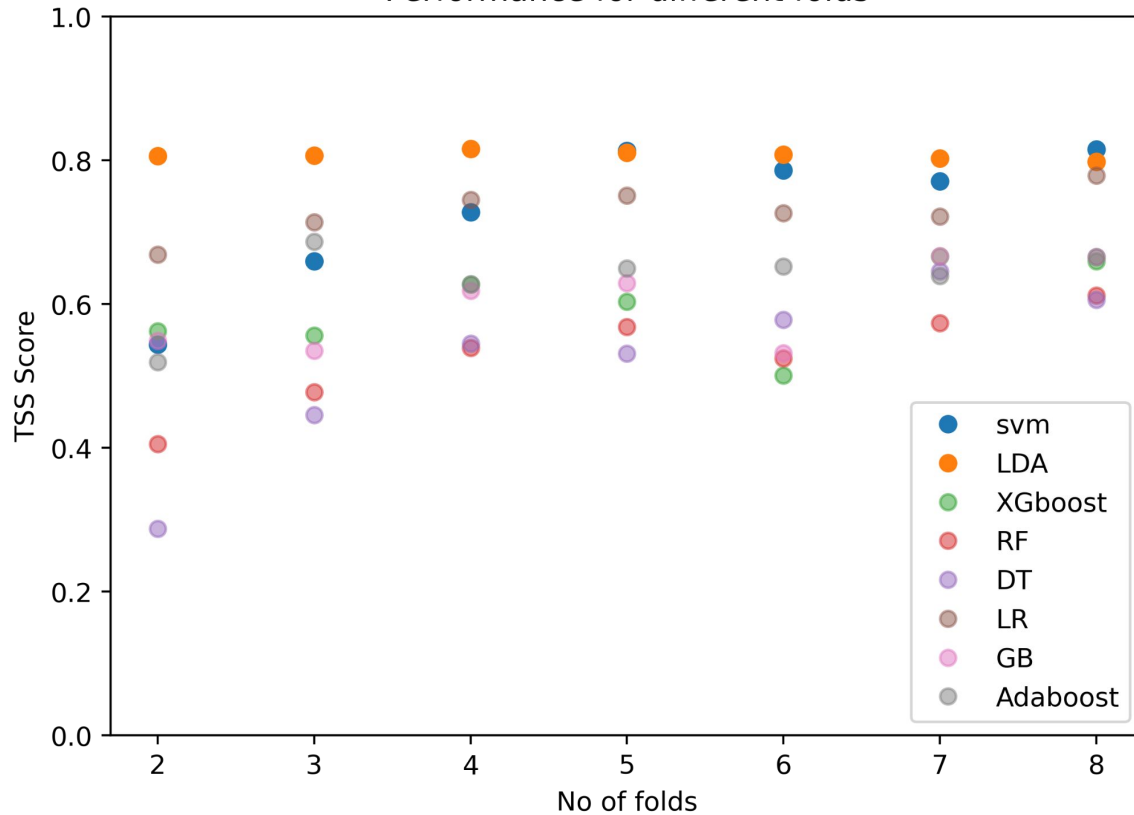


## Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Model

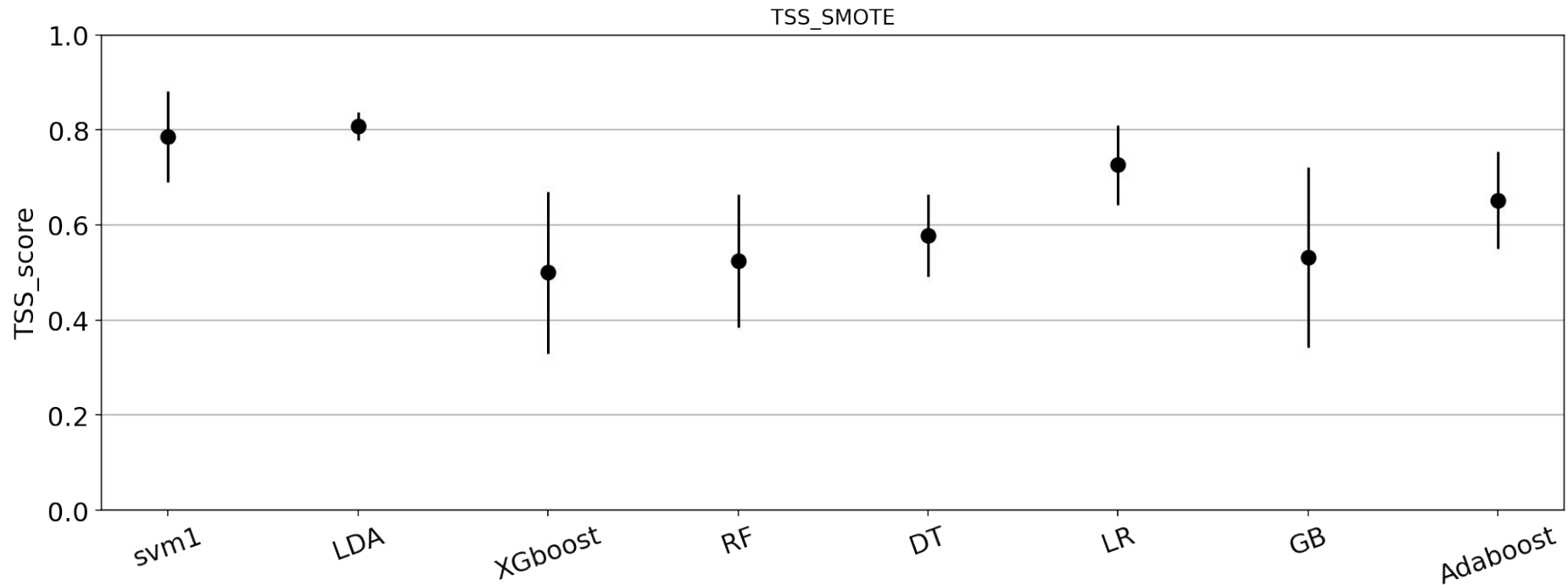


# Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Results

Performance for different folds

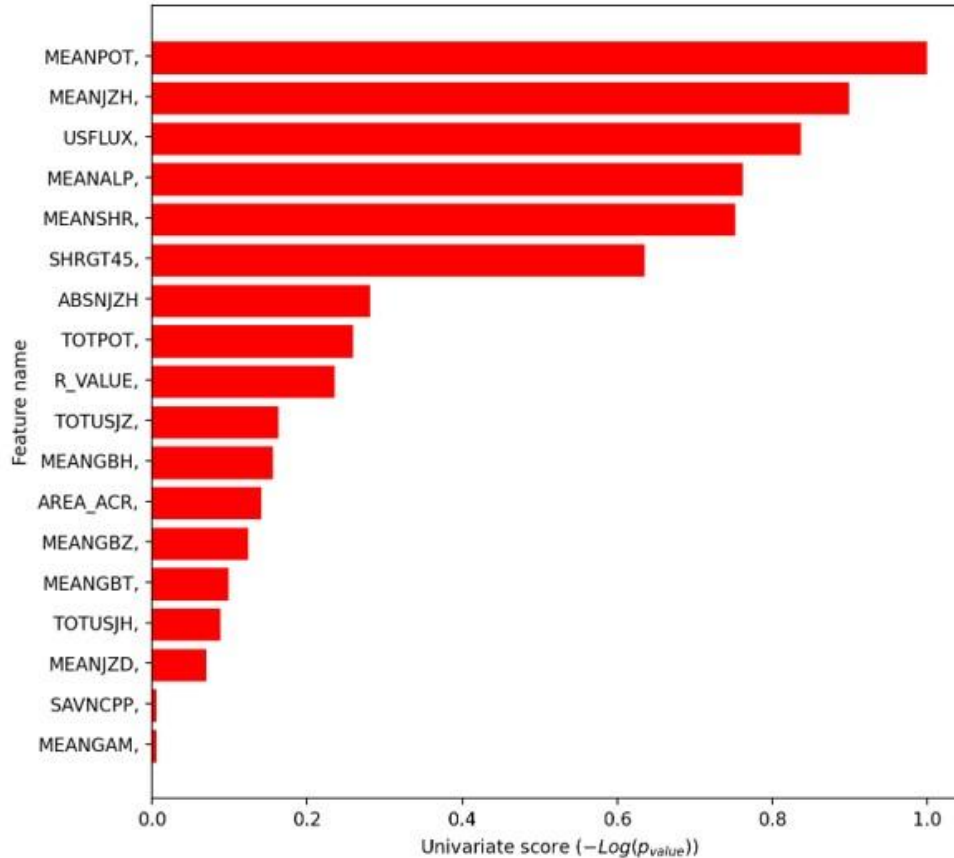


## Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Results



$$(TSS) = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} - \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$

## Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Feature importance



- evaluating the relationship between each input variable and the target variable using statistics
- Sort it based on scores

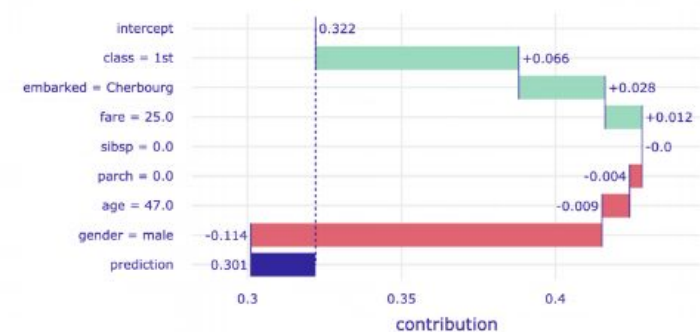
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## variable-importance measure

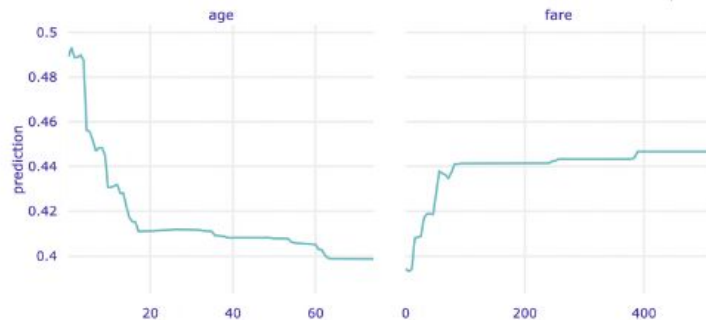
The main idea is to measure how much does a model's performance change if the effect of a selected explanatory variable, or of a group of variables, is removed?

- Permute the particular variable
- calculate dropout loss
- Larger the loss, greater the importance

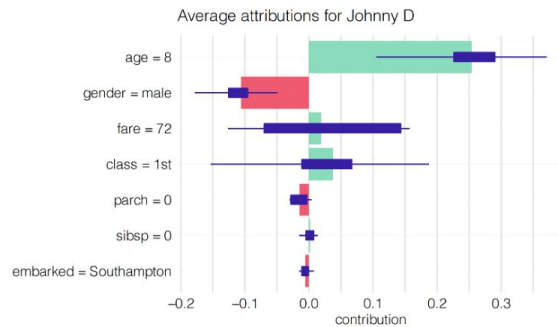
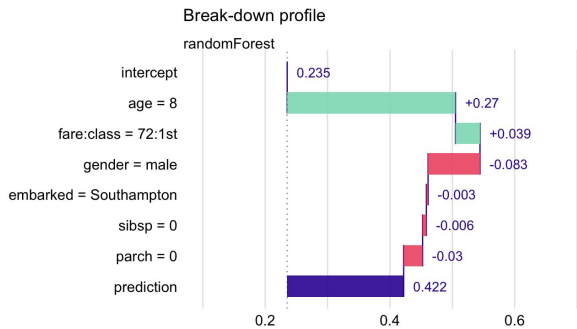
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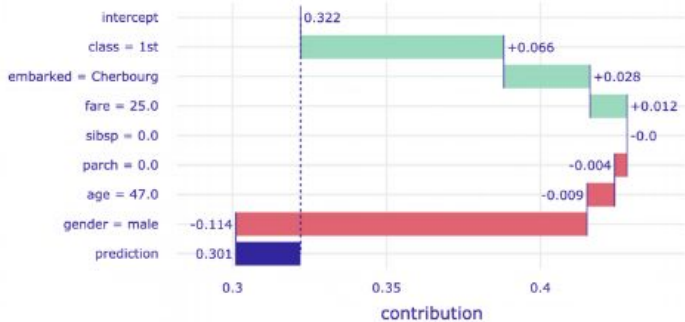
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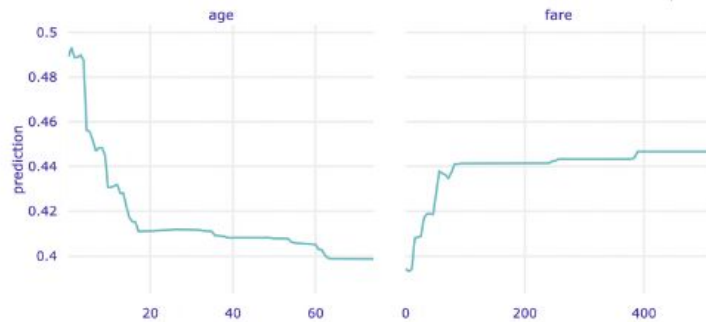
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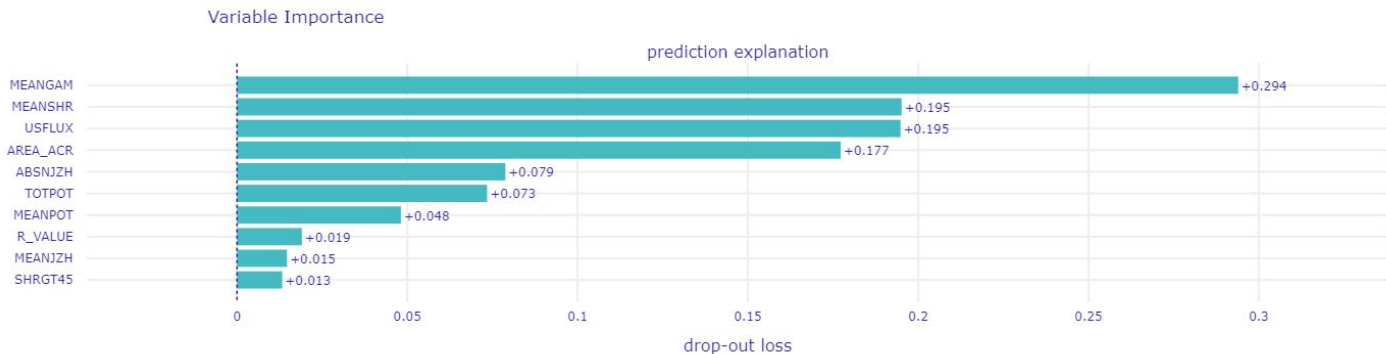


## D. Model-level explanations



# Prediction of CMEs associated with Flares - Explainable Model Predictions (Dalex)

SVM model Explanations



LDA Model Explanation



## Explainable AI (Wrapper model) - Working

- **Forward selection**

Start with null model

Add features and assess the performance

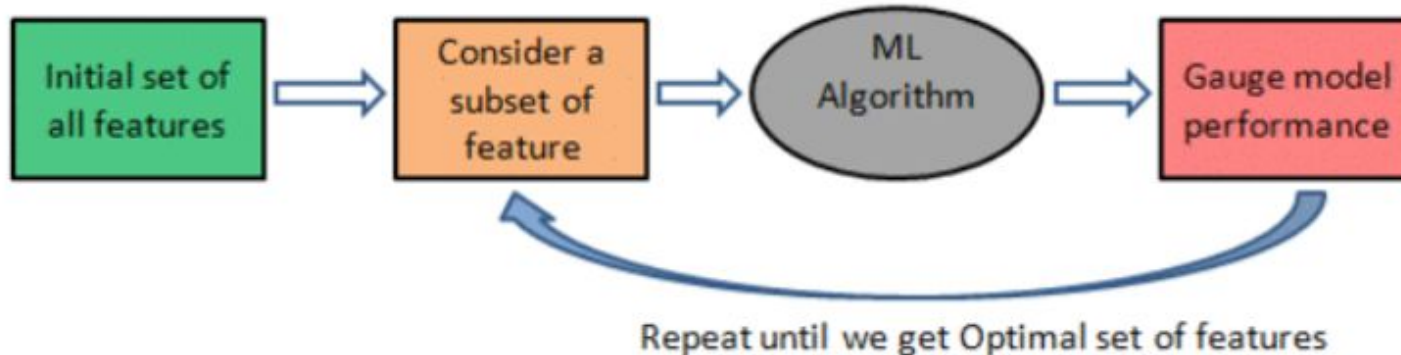
- **Backward Elimination**

Start with full model

Eliminate features and assessing the performance

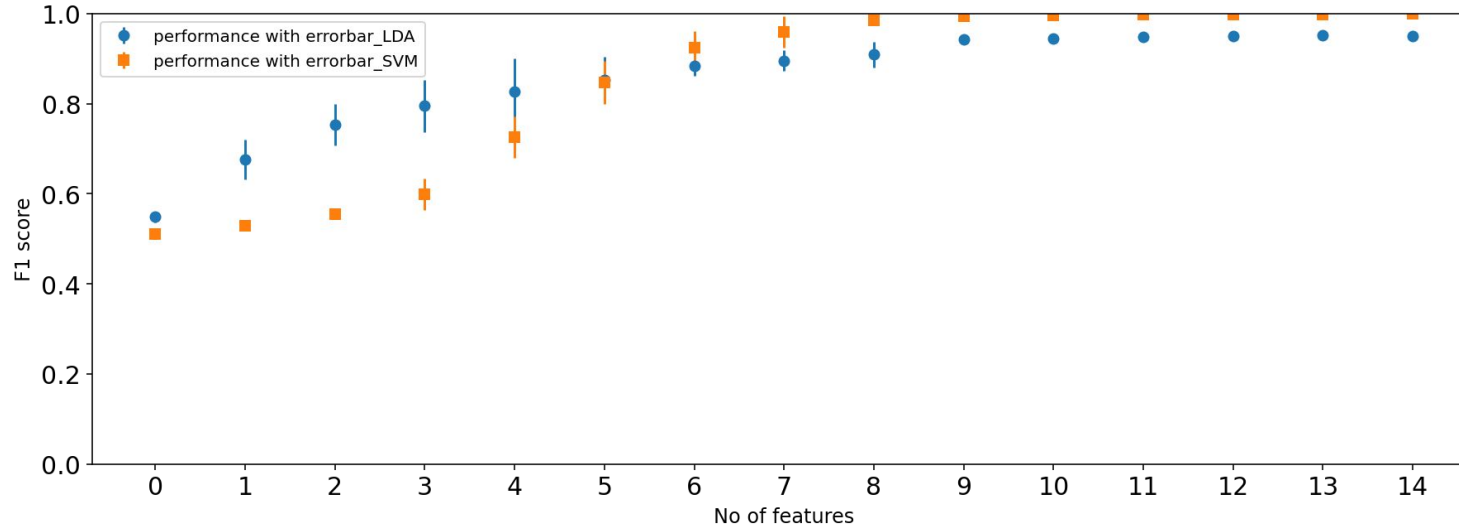
- **Bidirectional elimination**

- Combination of forward selection and backward elimination





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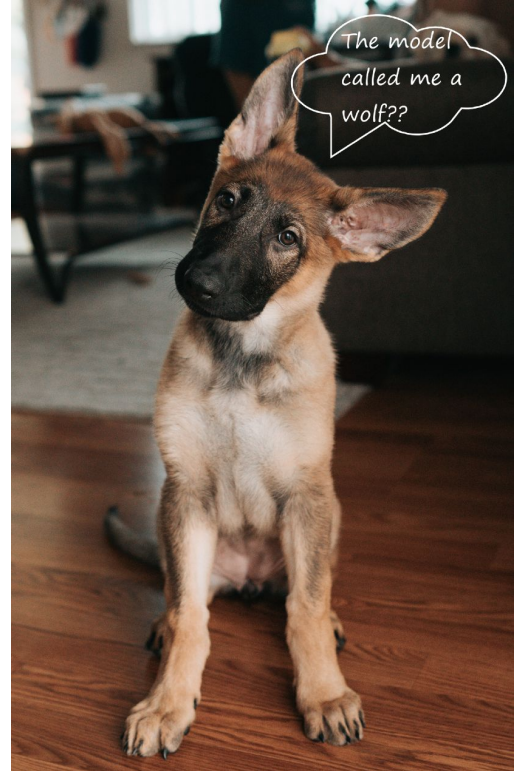


Some of the top Features\_LDA: 'MEANJZH', 'MEANPOT', 'SHRGT45', 'MEANGBH', 'MEANGAM', 'MEANGBZ', 'TOTUSJZ', 'MEANSHR', 'AREA\_ACR', 'R VALUE', 'ABSNJZH'

Some of the top Features\_SVM: 'USFLUX', 'MEANJZH', 'MEANPOT', 'SHRGT45', 'MEANALP', 'MEANGAM', 'SAVNCPP', 'TOTPOT', 'MEANSHR', 'AREA\_ACR', 'R\_VALUE'

## Summary

- Grad Cam Visualization used for understanding CNN predictions
- Class imbalance methods and metrics explored
- ML explainable model predictions methods explored



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