



Prediction Of Surface Roughness In 3D Printing Based Additive Manufacturing with Machine Learning

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Abstract

In today's industry, machine learning (ML) and additive manufacturing (AM) are revolutionary technologies. By modelling surface roughness based on thermal analysis and predicting its surface roughness value using machine learning, this work attempts to improve the surface quality of 3D printed objects. The optimization of key parameters such as layer height (LH), printing speed (PS), nozzle temperature (NT), and infill density (ID) will take place. ML algorithms such random forest regressor, XG-Boost, support vector machines, and linear regression can be used to make the prediction. The PLA+ material characterization will also be looked at. To analyze parameter effects, experiments employ Taguchi's Design of Experiment with orthogonal array, and machine learning methods will be used to determine which model is the most correct. The work focusses on LH, ID, PS, NT, and platform temperature as the five input parameters that affect layer geometries. By optimizing AM processes, advanced machine learning algorithms seek to improve the surface quality of 3D printed items.

Key Words: 3D Printing, Taguchi Method, Regression, Artificial intelligence, Machine Learning- Google Colab, Regression

1.Introduction

Additive Manufacturing (AM), also known as 3D printing, represents a revolutionary approach to fabricating objects by layering materials in a step-by-step fashion. Originating in the mid-1980s with the advent of advanced stereolithography (SL) techniques, AM has since evolved to encompass various methodologies such as laminated object manufacturing, fused deposition modeling, and 3D printing. Despite its transformative potential, the high initial costs of AM machines have limited accessibility for medium and small enterprises.

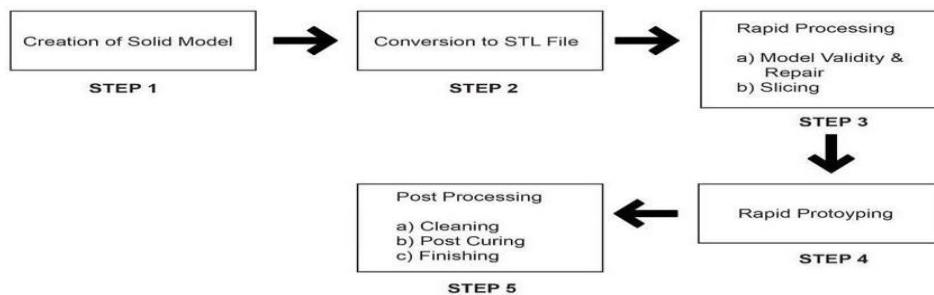


Fig1.1:Step by step procedure in Rapid Prototyping process

2.Literature Review

Sufyan Ghani et al. [1] A notable development in the realm of civil engineering is the use of machine learning techniques (MLTs) to forecast the compressive strength (C) of self-compacting concrete (SCC). Using well-known artificial intelligence methods such as artificial neural networks (ANN), adaptive neuro-fuzzy inference systems (ANFIS), and extreme learning machines (ELM), the study methodically assessed six MLTs. **Itai Lishner et al.** [2] A class of machine learning methods called artificial neural networks is used to model nonlinear relations in datasets. The architecture of the ANN is made up of several layers, including activation functions and hidden layers. The artificial neurone is the fundamental unit of an ANN. A mathematical function called an artificial neurone has individual weighted inputs, and the sum is routed through a transfer function to an output link. **Ajanwachuku Nwagu Chima et al.** [3] Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) have proven to be highly valuable in a wide range of prediction situations, including several domains including medical, banking, meteorology, stock markets, engineering, and cybersecurity. The current increase in research provides evidence of the adaptability and efficiency of Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) in enhancing the accuracy of predictions. This distinguishing feature sets ANN apart from other methods used for forecasting. **Siddardha Koramati et al.** [4] This study represents a notable advancement in the utilisation of machine learning, particularly artificial neural networks (ANN), for forecasting urban accidents within the context of Hyderabad, India. The study employs an extensive crash record obtained from Hyderabad police data covering the period from 2015 to 2019. **Terpenny et al.** [5] This study provides an extensive analysis of machine learning data processing and management in the context of additive manufacturing (AM) research and applications. The evaluated publications over the past four years provide a summary of the data handling methods used for four key types of data: tabular data, graphic data, 3D data, and spectrum data. The primary techniques for handling data include feature extraction, discretisation, data processing, feature selection, and feature learning. The utilisation of machine learning techniques in a wide range of additive manufacturing applications has been observed.

3. Materials And Methods

3.1. Material Selection:PLA+ (Enhanced PLA): For this study, PLA+ is the material of choice due to its superior properties over standard PLA. PLA+ offers increased strength, durability, and heat resistance, making it ideal for experimental work in 3D printing.

3.2. Taguchi Design of Experiments (DOE) Method:

The Taguchi DOE method is a statistical approach used to optimize processes and improve quality by systematically varying parameters and analyzing their effects. This method reduces the number of experiments needed by using orthogonal arrays, making it both efficient and cost-effective.

SI. No	PS	NT	ID	LH	SR
1	50	200	20	0.1	2.833
2	50	210	25	0.12	3.922
3	50	215	30	0.14	4.825
4	50	220	35	0.16	5.885
5	50	225	40	0.18	5.1
6	60	200	25	0.14	6.408
7	60	210	30	0.16	5.606
8	60	215	35	0.18	4.536
9	60	220	40	0.1	5.421
10	60	225	20	0.12	4.202
11	70	200	30	0.18	4.788
12	70	210	35	0.1	5.263
13	70	215	40	0.12	4.717
14	70	220	20	0.14	5.321
15	70	225	25	0.16	5.347
16	80	200	35	0.12	4.523
17	80	210	40	0.14	4.732
18	80	215	20	0.16	4.98

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19	80	220	25	0.18	4.67 3
0	80	225	30	0.1	5.05 1
21	90	200	40	0.16	5.69 2
22	90	210	20	0.18	4.89 7
23	90	215	25	0.1	4.60 6
24	90	220	30	0.12	5.42 7
25	90	225	35	0.14	5.35 1

Table3.1: Taguchi values from Minitab software

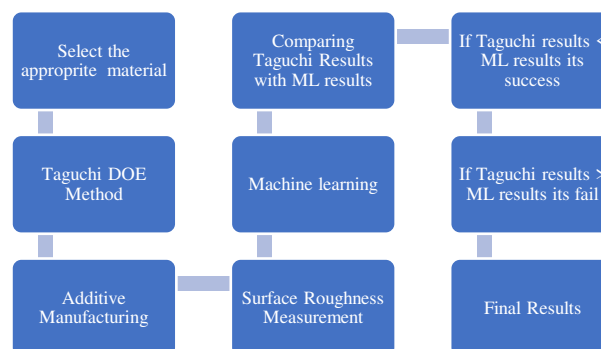


Fig3.1:Experimentation Process

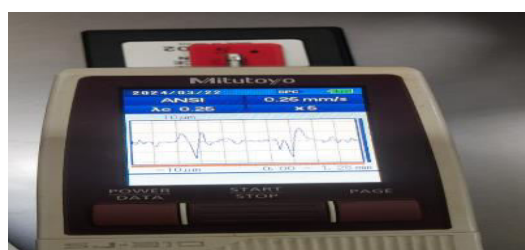


Fig4.1Mitutoyo Surface roughness test SJ-210

4. Surface Roughness Measurement:

Surface roughness, a key quality parameter of 3D-printed objects is quantitatively measured using profilometers, with the Mitutoyo machine employed for this purpose.

5. Machine Learning: Machine learning involves the use of algorithms & statistical models to analyze and predict. Here is the Correlation Matrix for Which parameter mainly affects the output surface roughness values, which is shown in Figure 2. The Figure 3 showing the Metric Representation which mean that what algorithm has a lower error than others.

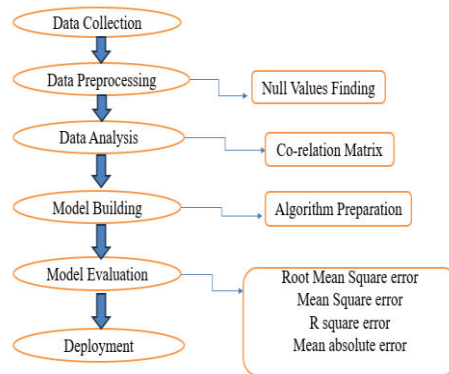


Fig5.1: Process of machine learning

STEP 1: Data collection

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3	50	215	30	0.14	4.825
4	50	220	35	0.16	5.885
5	50	225	40	0.18	5.1
6	60	200	25	0.14	6.408
7	60	210	30	0.16	5.606
8	60	215	35	0.18	4.536
9	60	220	40	0.1	5.421
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11	70	200	30	0.18	4.788

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13	70	215	40	0.1 2	4.71 7
14	70	220	20	0.1 4	5.32 1
15	70	225	25	0.1 6	5.34 7
16	80	200	35	0.1 2	4.52 3
17	80	210	40	0.1 4	4.73 2
18	80	215	20	0.1 6	4.98 5
19	80	220	25	0.1 8	4.67 3
20	80	225	30	0.1	5.05 1
21	90	200	40	0.1 6	5.69 2
22	90	210	20	0.1 8	4.89 7
23	90	215	25	0.1	4.60 6
24	90	220	30	0.1 2	5.42 7
25	90	225	35	0.1 4	5.35 1

Table 5.1 : Input and output of the Taguchi
Fig 5.2 ML data

```

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

df = pd.read_excel("ML DATA.xlsx")

df.head()
    
```

	PS	NT	ID	LH	SR
0	50	200	20	0.10	2.833
1	50	210	25	0.12	3.922
2	50	215	30	0.14	4.825
3	50	220	35	0.16	5.885
4	50	225	40	0.18	5.100

Next steps: [Generate code with df](#) [View recommended plots](#)

PS –Printing Speed; NT – Nozzle Temperature ;ID – Infill Density; LH – Layer Height

```

[152] df.head()
    
```

	PS	NT	ID	LH	SR
0	50	200	20	0.10	2.833
1	50	210	25	0.12	3.922
2	50	215	30	0.14	4.825
3	50	220	35	0.16	5.885
4	50	225	40	0.18	5.100

```

[153] df.describe()
    
```

	PS	NT	ID	LH	SR
count	25.000000	25.000000	25.000000	25.000000	25.000000
mean	70.000000	214.000000	30.000000	0.140000	4.964440
std	14.433757	8.779711	7.216878	0.028868	0.701375
min	50.000000	200.000000	20.000000	0.100000	2.833000
25%	60.000000	210.000000	25.000000	0.120000	4.673000
50%	70.000000	215.000000	30.000000	0.140000	4.985000
75%	80.000000	220.000000	35.000000	0.160000	5.351000
max	90.000000	225.000000	40.000000	0.180000	6.408000

STEP 2: Data Preprocessing:

```

df.info()
    
```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 25 entries, 0 to 24
Data columns (total 5 columns):
 #   Column  Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  ---
 0   PS      25 non-null     int64
 1   NT      25 non-null     int64
 2   ID      25 non-null     int64
 3   LH      25 non-null     float64
 4   SR      25 non-null     float64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(3)
memory usage: 1.1 KB
    
```

```

[155] df.isnull().sum() # hence no data cleaning is required
    
```

```

PS      0
NT      0
ID      0
LH      0
SR      0
dtype: int64
    
```

Fig 5.3 ML data

STEP 3: Data Analysis

```
# Compute the correlation matrix
correlation_matrix = df.corr()

# Visualize the correlation matrix using a heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".4f", linewidth = 0.2)
plt.title('Correlation Matrix')
plt.show()
# There is no strong relationship between any input para and output para
```

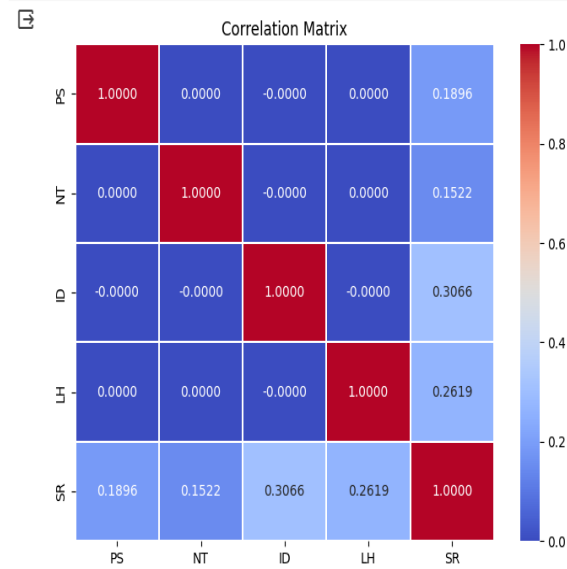


Fig no 5.4: Corelation Matrics chart

```
[211] sns.distplot(df['PS'])
plt.show()
print(df['PS'].skew())

#Distribution plot
# skews near to 0--- it follows the normal Distribution

sns.distplot(df['NT'])
plt.show()
print(df['NT'].skew())

#Distribution plot
# skews near to 0--- it follows the normal Distribution

sns.distplot(df['ID'])
plt.show()
print(df['ID'].skew())

#Distribution plot
# skews near to 0--- it follows the normal Distribution

sns.distplot(df['LH'])
plt.show()
print(df['LH'].skew())

#Distribution plot
# skews near to 0--- it follows the normal Distribution
```

Fig5.5: Distribution Plot

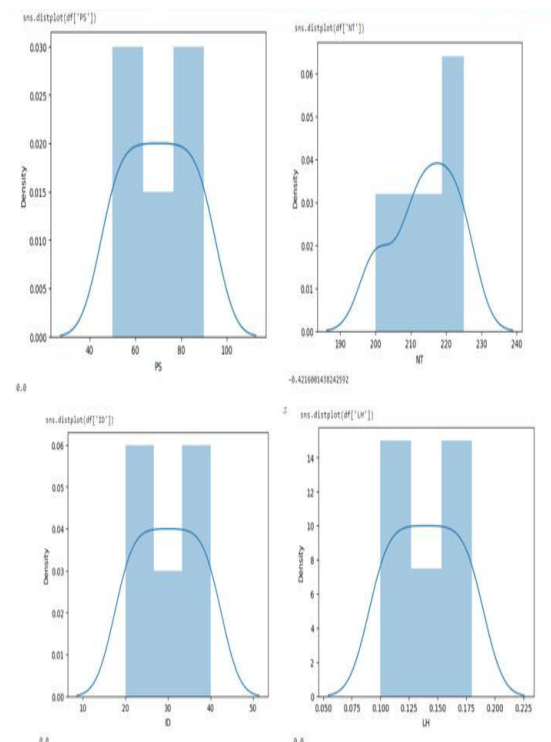


Fig 5.6 Visualization of Distribution Plot

```
[213] sns.boxplot(df['PS'],orient = 'h')
plt.show() # input parameters only
# Hence there are no outliers in this PS

sns.boxplot(df['NT'],orient = 'h')
plt.show() # input parameters only
# Hence there are no outliers in this NT

sns.boxplot(df['ID'],orient = 'h')
plt.show() # input parameters only
# Hence there are no outliers in this ID

sns.boxplot(df['LH'],orient = 'h')
plt.show() # input parameters only
# Hence there are no outliers in this LH
```

Fig 5.7: ML data

Boxplot It is a visualization used to represent whether the outliers are present or not in this case there are no outliers for this dataset.

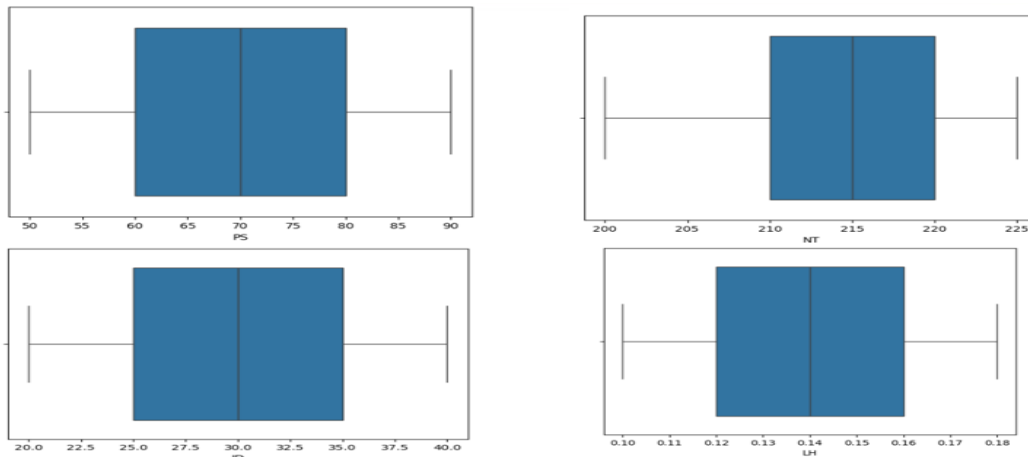


Fig 5.8 : Boxplot Representation

STEP4: Model Building Model building in machine learning involves creating a mathematical representation by generalizing and learning from training data. Let’s break down the steps to build a machine-learning model.

Visualization:

Data visualization in machine learning is a crucial aspect that enables analysts to understand and make sense of data patterns, relationships, and trends. Let’s dive into the significance of data visualization in machine learning and explore various types of visualization approaches.

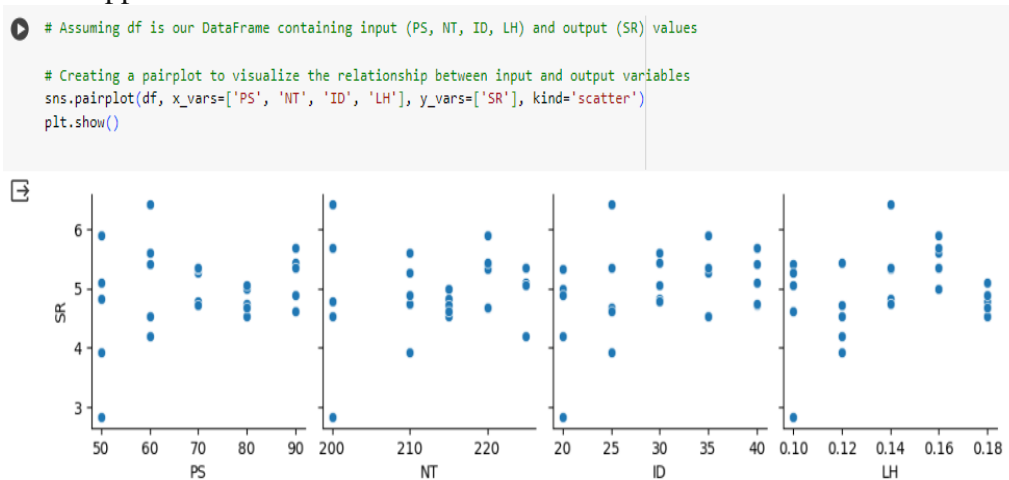


Fig 5.9: Paring plot visualization

STEP 5: MODEL EVALUATION

Model evaluation is a process of evaluating the considered algorithm which consists of how much error.

```
[182] # Initialize the regression model
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
linear_reg = LinearRegression()

# Train the regression model
linear_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)

# LinearRegression:
LinearRegression()

[185] # Make predictions
y_pred_lin = linear_reg.predict(X_test)

[186] mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_lin)

# Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
rmse = np.sqrt(mse)

# Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred_lin)

print("Mean Squared Error:", mse)
print("Root Mean Squared Error:", rmse)
print("Mean Absolute Error:", mae)

Mean Squared Error: 0.903854146986632
Root Mean Squared Error: 0.9507124417964835
Mean Absolute Error: 0.7570417319538109

[187] # Decision Tree Regression
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor

dt_reg = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state = 42)

dt_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_dt = dt_reg.predict(X_test)

[188] mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_dt)

# Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
rmse = np.sqrt(mse)

# Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred_dt)

print("Decision Error Testing")

print("Mean Squared Error:", mse)
print("Root Mean Squared Error:", rmse)
print("Mean Absolute Error:", mae)

Decision Error Testing
Mean Squared Error: 1.123931
Root Mean Squared Error: 1.060156120578474
Mean Absolute Error: 0.9874
```

Fig 5.10: Model Evaluation Fig 5.11: Decision Tree Regression Algorithm

Decision Tree Regression:

Certainly! Here’s a concise summary of Decision Tree Regression in machine learning: Decision Tree is a Supervised learning technique that can be used for both classification and Regression problems, but mostly it is preferred for solving Classification problems.

From the algorithm, we can observe that the errors

MSE – 1.123

RMS – 1.060

MAE – 0.98

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
# Ensemble --> group of models working together

# Define and initialize the Random Forest model
rf_model = RandomForestRegressor(random_state=42)

# Train and evaluate each regression algorithm
rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_rf = rf_model.predict(X_test)

mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_rf)
rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_rf)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred_rf)

print("Random Forest Error Testing")

print("Mean Squared Error:", mse)
print("Root Mean Squared Error:", rmse)
print("Mean Absolute Error:", mae)

Random Forest Error Testing
Mean Squared Error: 1.0488527781200017
Root Mean Squared Error: 1.0488527781200017
Mean Absolute Error: 0.9224600000000006

[189] from sklearn.svm import SVR
print("Support Vector Regression (SVR):")
svr_reg = SVR()
svr_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_svr = svr_reg.predict(X_test)

mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_svr)
rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_svr)
mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred_svr)

print("Support Vector Regressor Testing")

print("Mean Squared Error:", mse)
print("Root Mean Squared Error:", rmse)
print("Mean Absolute Error:", mae)

print()

Support Vector Regression (SVR):
Support Vector Regressor Testing
Mean Squared Error: 0.9623855707607373
Root Mean Squared Error: 0.9623855707607373
Mean Absolute Error: 0.7091014340498963
```

Fig 5.12: Random Forest Algorithm

Fig 5.13: SVR Algorithm

XG Boost Algorithm:

XGBoost, short for **extreme Gradient Boosting**, is a powerful machine-learning algorithm known for its efficiency, speed, and accuracy. It belongs to the family of **boosting**

algorithms, which are ensemble learning techniques that combine

```

▶ print("XGBoost Regression:")
  from xgboost import XGBRegressor
  xgb_reg = XGBRegressor()
  xgb_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)
  y_pred_xgb = xgb_reg.predict(X_test)

  mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_xgb)
  rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_xgb)
  mae = mean_absolute_error(y_test, y_pred_xgb)

  print("XGBoost Regression Error Testing")

  print("Mean Squared Error:", mse)
  print("Root Mean Squared Error:", rmse)
  print("Mean Absolute Error:", mae)

```

```

↳ XGBoost Regression:
XGBoost Regression Error Testing
Mean Squared Error: 0.7063381139076628
Root Mean Squared Error: 0.7063381139076628
Mean Absolute Error: 0.7972017280578612

```

Fig5.14 : XGB Algorithm

STEP 6: DEPLOYMENT

- In this case, get a surface roughness value by running the cell in Colab.
- In this case to assign the values for the new dataset.
- For each input's given case the data will be allocated into a separate row (predicted_value[0]) that row will be used for the prediction.
- Here considered XGBoost as the best algorithm from Model Evaluation.

```

[215] value1=eval(input("Enter the value of Printing Speed:"))
      value2=eval(input("Enter the value of Nozel temperatue:"))
      value3=eval(input("Enter the value of Infilled Density:"))
      value4=eval(input("Enter the value of Layer Height:"))

      # Define a dictionary with input values
      new_data_dict = {'PS': value1, 'NT': value2, 'ID': value3, 'LH': value4}

      # Convert the dictionary to a DataFrame
      new_data = pd.DataFrame([new_data_dict])

      # Make predictions
      predicted_value = xgb_reg.predict(new_data)

      # Print the predicted value
      print("Predicted value:", predicted_value[0])

```

```

↳ Enter the value of Printing Speed:50
Enter the value of Nozel temperatue:210
Enter the value of Infilled Density:25
Enter the value of Layer Height:0.12
Predicted value: 3.9237566

```

Fig 5.15: ML output Prediction Result

Mean absolute error:

Mean square error:



Fig 5.16: Metric Representation of MAE Fig 5.17: Metric Representation of MSE

5.Results And Discussion:

Comparison of Taguchi values and ML values

1. If Taguchi values < Machine Learning values **Project Success**
2. If Taguchi values > Machine Learning values **Project Fail**

```

value1=eval(input("Enter the value of Printing Speed:"))
value2=eval(input("Enter the value of Nozel temperature:"))
value3=eval(input("Enter the value of Infilled Density:"))
value4=eval(input("Enter the value of Layer Height:"))

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new_data = pd.DataFrame(new_data_dict)

# Make predictions
predicted_value = xgb_reg.predict(new_data)

# Print the predicted value
print("Predicted value:", predicted_value[0])
    
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 Enter the value of Nozel temperature:210
 Enter the value of Infilled Density:25
 Enter the value of Layer Height:0.12
 Predicted value: 3.9237566

Figure 6.1. Algorithm used for Prediction

Prediction in Machine Learning: The dataset provided encompassed various combinations of input parameters and corresponding surface roughness values obtained from both Taguchi and Machine Learning methods. Figure 4 which represent that used XG-Boost Algorithm for prediction of surface roughness in Machine Learning.

7.Conclusion

The objective of our project was to develop a predictive model for surface roughness in Polylactic acid (PLA+) polymer material within the context of Additive Manufacturing (AM), by leveraging Machine Learning (ML) techniques. We aimed to achieve this by scrutinizing critical printing parameters, namely layer height, infill density, printing speed, and nozzle temperature.

To accomplish this, we adopted a multifaceted approach involving the integration of various ML algorithms and statistical methodologies. Specifically, we employed linear regression, support vector machine (SVM), XG-Boost, and random forest regressor algorithms.

Additionally, we incorporated Mini Tab Taguchi's Design of Experiment (L25) Method to streamline our analysis and comparison process.

Upon thorough evaluation, our results revealed that the XG Boost algorithm consistently outperformed its counterparts in terms of predictive accuracy. Moreover, when comparing the Taguchi values with those predicted by our ML models, we observed that the Taguchi values were consistently lower. This implies that our project methodology was sound and effective in generating accurate predictions for surface roughness in PLA+ polymer material through the amalgamation of ML and AM techniques.

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