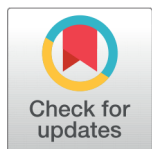


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# Prediction of Material Surface Area using Multiple Linear Regression Algorithm with Independent Variables Time, Temperature and Quantity

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## Abstract

**Objective:** In this paper, the surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> was predicted by multiple linear regression algorithm (MLRA) in python Jupyter notebook with accuracy and best correlation between parameters. **Methods:** A data set was collected from different recent research papers. The dataset underwent data processing and factor analysis, involving the removal of unnecessary data. The surface area was predicted by the different experimentally synthesis parameters (Temperature, Material quantity, reaction time and experimental evaluated surface area). For prediction of surface area the total data set of 11 different research paper data was divided in two part as 72% for training dataset and 28% kept for test dataset. **Findings:** The surface area of the material can be enhanced from 92 to 196.67 m<sup>2</sup>/g by changing the synthesis parameters during hydrothermal process. For prediction, the best relationship was found between temperature and surface area in heatmap. The predictions yielded accuracy levels was 94%. **Novelty:** The surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> was first time predicted by MLRA with high accuracy by tuning the hydrothermally synthesis parameters.

**Keywords:** Multiple Linear Regression Algorithm (MLRA); Machine Learning; Python; Heatmap; Prediction Of Surface Area

## 1 Introduction

The surface area of a material is a critical factor influencing performance and effectiveness in diverse fields<sup>(1)</sup>. It plays a role in the adsorption of pollutants and contaminants, contributing to environmental remediation efforts<sup>(2)</sup>. In the field of electronics, materials with optimized surface properties are essential for device performance and functionality<sup>(3,4)</sup>. The surface area can be enhanced by tuning the hydrothermally synthesis parameter of material<sup>(5)</sup>. It is not easy to experimentally synthesize material by changing parameters<sup>(6,7)</sup>. Hence, the machine learning approach can be used to find the best parameter for higher surface area of the

material<sup>(8)</sup>. The MLRA Jupyter Notebook gives the correlation between parameters (independent variables)<sup>(9)</sup>. It serves as a comprehensive package encompassing various data structures and general algorithm<sup>(10)</sup>.

Understanding and manipulating surface area characteristics are fundamental in advancing materials science and technology across various industries. The multiple linear regression model was used to load forecasting by changing parameters like heat, last day burden, and weekly burden etc and the prediction accuracy levels was 95%<sup>(11)</sup>. Another study focused on predicting coconut palm production through the application of multiple linear regression. In this model, the dependent variable (y) represents coconut palm production, while independent variables (x) include month, rainfall, land width, tree count, bunch quantity, and average weight. External data from the Meteorology, and Climatology Agency were incorporated. The training statistics constituted 80%, and the test statistics comprised 20% of the training set<sup>(12-14)</sup>. The mean absolute % error was 14.28%<sup>(15)</sup>. Another studies were focused on predicting the power output of solar by multiple linear regression. The predictive equations for power output were explained by Nurazizah & Winarno. Correlation coefficient for the dataset in Factory 1 was 0.52, indicating that external weather and conditions influenced 52% of the power generated. In Factory 2, the correlation coefficient was 0.92, signifying a 92% impact of external factors on power generation<sup>(16)</sup>. Abobaker et al., predict the rainfall by developing MLRA for Khartoum state, Sudan and concluded that the average mean square error changed when training and testing ratio change<sup>(17)</sup>. The Precipitation and Visibility were predicted by MLRA to evaluate the accuracy of the models by a large weather data with 4018 samples and concluded that it can provide more accurate predictions<sup>(18)</sup>. Hence MLRA was used to predict the surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> from the experimental data.

In this study, data collection was accomplished from different experimentally evaluated value from research articles. Surface area of material was dependent on the physical parameters like temperature, time, and synthesis material quantity of potassium per magnate. Jupyter Notebook was used from an open-source web application enabling the creation and sharing of documents integrating live code, equations, visualizations, and narrative text.

## 2 Methodology

The prediction of surface area of material (MnO<sub>2</sub>) evaluated by the steps as shown in Figure 1. In this research Anaconda Jupyter notebook in python programming language was used to predict the surface area<sup>(19)</sup>. Identify variables as either free or bound. Collect necessary data, grouping variables accordingly. For instance, free variables like KMnO<sub>4</sub>(x<sub>1</sub>), time (x<sub>2</sub>), and temperature (x<sub>3</sub>), and bound variable data such as harvest results (Y). For prediction of surface area, data was collected from experimentally evaluated results from recent reputed articles with parameter temperature, time, material quantity used during hydrothermally synthesis of the MnO<sub>2</sub> and surface area evaluated by Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET)<sup>(20)</sup>. After completing the data collection stages, over 10 papers contributed datasets specifically focused on material MnO<sub>2</sub>. The dataset was utilized for constructing the prediction model comprises four key components: surface area, temperature, time, and the concentration of KMnO<sub>4</sub> during the reaction stage. Subsequently, this curated dataset underwent training using the multiple linear regression method. In this method, temperature, time, and KMnO<sub>4</sub> act as independent variables or predictors, while the dependent variable or target was the resulting surface area. as shown in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Data collection for prediction of Surface area

Sr. No.	Nano Material	Temp in c <sup>0</sup>	Surface Area in m <sup>2</sup> /g	Time in hour	KmNO <sub>4</sub> in gram	Ref.
1	MnO <sub>2</sub>	80	78.56	12	0.2	(21)
2	MnO <sub>2</sub>	140	33.54	12	0.237	(22)
3	MnO <sub>2</sub>	180	226	48	1.264	(23)
4	MnO <sub>2</sub>	200	160.4	48	0.1	(24)
5	MnO <sub>2</sub>	160	198	12	1.5	(25)
6	MnO <sub>2</sub>	140	29.2	3	0.948	(26)
7	MnO <sub>2</sub>	140	150	12	0.5	(27)
8	MnO <sub>2</sub>	110	108.6	6	1.262	(28)
9	MnO <sub>2</sub>	110	86.7	3	1.262	(28)
10	MnO <sub>2</sub>	110	92.8	12	1.262	(28)
11	MnO <sub>2</sub>	110	52	24	1.262	(28)

Using multiple linear regression models, the forecast of the surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> at the destination in order to increase surface area. Two different types of variables were used in this training. Second variable bound (Y) and first independent (X). The

dependent variable was results prediction Y, while the independent variables were time (2), temperature (3), and the amount of KMnO<sub>4</sub> (1). Converted raw boolean data types into numeric or integer forms for machine learning compatibility. Steps include: A. Change Data Type : Converted data types for machine learning system readability. B. Normalization: Ensure variables were the same value range. C. Divided data into training and testing sets with a ratio of generally 80:20 (train-test split). The effect of all the selected attributes along with temperature, time and quantity of KmNO<sub>4</sub> were taken into as input variables, and surface area as the output variable were chosen to train and test the model. Data was modelled for the training dataset using multiple linear regression and predictions were made for the test data.

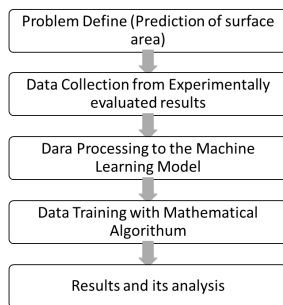


Fig 1. Steps for prediction of surface area

The data was used to make this prediction, thus the level of accuracy is still insufficient. The analysis uses Python-based Jupyter notebook implementations of built-in machine learning models from the sci-kit learn library. Linear regressive, as seen in the example below, simple linear regression created a linear equation or relationship between the input (x) and the output (y):

$$y = a + b.x + e$$

In this case, x stood for the input variable, y for the output variable, 'a' for the y-intercept, 'b' for the slope, and 'e' for the error (29). The linear relationship between two or more input variables and a single output was using multiple linear regression (MLR) result in the expression

$$Y = a_1.x_1 + a_2.x_2 ..... a_n.x_n + e$$

Where a<sub>1</sub>, a<sub>2</sub> , and so on were the variable coefficients of the factors x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>, and so forth. The non-linear relationship between the input variables and the conditional mean y, denoted as E(y/x), was captured by polynomial regression . In general, the predicted value of y could be represented as an nth degree polynomial, which results in the general polynomial regression model shown in the equation below:

$$Y = A_0 + A_1X_1^1 + A_2X_2^2 ..... AnX_n^n ..... + E$$

where A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>,.... were the coefficients of X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub> ... correspondingly(30)

Performance measure

For measuring the performance of the model of multiple linear regression following formula were used

$$MAE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{N}$$

$$MSE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{N}$$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{N}}$$

$$R\text{-Squared } R^2 = 1 -$$

$$\frac{SS_{RES}}{SS_{TOT}} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

where (ŷ<sub>i</sub>) were the predicted output, (y<sub>i</sub>) were the actual output value, y was the mean of the actual values, and N was the number of data points.

The next stage entails were starting the training procedure to create a predictive model after the dataset collected. By using independent and explanatory factors, regression acted as a method for predicting future data. In contrast to predictive classification, which dealt with discrete score variables, regression focused on mapping the function of learning data elements to predict continuous score variables, offering valuable insights into real-world predictions. This systematic approach guided the analysis, ensuring a thorough understanding of relationships and predictive capabilities within the data.

### 3 Results and Discussion

The surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> was predicted by a data set taken from 11 different research papers that was divided into two part as 72% for training dataset and 28% kept for test dataset. The MLRA was trained by data set and the outcome of the training was represented by equation

$$y = -12.5730 + 0.7369x_1 + 1.1951 \times 2 + 3.4753 \times 3 \tag{1}$$

Where y was the surface area, x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub> and x<sub>3</sub> are KmNO<sub>4</sub> quantity, time and temperature. Equation 1 depicts the relation between surface area and synthesis parameters which conclude that the surface area is highly dependent on the temperature as compared to the other parameters. The goodness of the fit of the model was analysed by R-squared score and found 4.1891. The accuracy of the model was obtained by R2 score and it was 94.95%. While Nurazizah & Winarno (2022) predict the catfish yield to fulfil community needs using multiple linear regression algorithm method the accuracy of the model was 75%<sup>(31)</sup>. Dabhade et, al., (2021) predicted students’ academic performance using machine learning algorithms and the goodness of fit obtained using MLR for the available dataset with R2 score was 83.27%<sup>(32)</sup>.

In Figure 2, the heat map revealed the insightful information. The visualization of the variable in heatmap was illustrating the correlation between value of x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>, x<sub>3</sub> and y. The heat map provided a clear and informative visualization, allowing for a nuanced understanding of the relationships within the variables under consideration. The value of heat map correlation varies from -1 to 1<sup>(33)</sup>. When the value of boxes approached to 1, it indicates a highly robust relationship between the variables. The correlation of the temperature and time with surface area were 0.62 and 0.59 respectively. The value 0.37 on the plot were shown a correlation between quantity of KMnO<sub>4</sub> and surface area, which conclude that the surface area was less dependent on the material quantity. This implies that both temperature and time play an important role in tuning the surface area<sup>(34)</sup>.

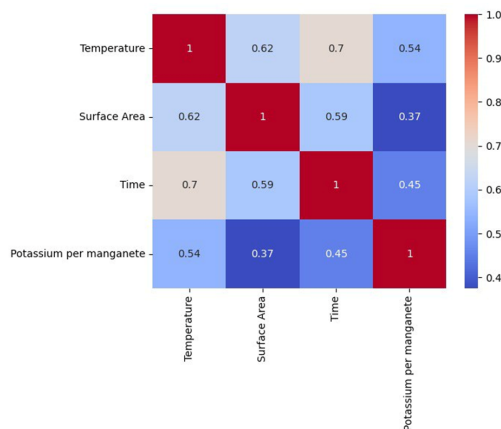


Fig 2. Correlation plot of variables

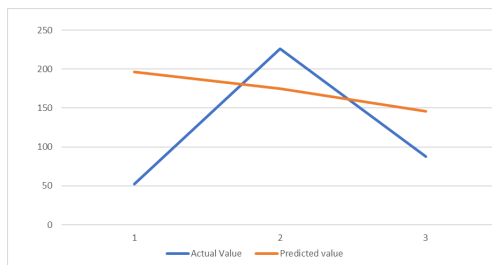


Fig 3. Chart comparing actual and predicted data

Figure 2 gives the comparison between the original data and the predicted data. Which shows a huge gap between predicted and actual surface area. By tuning the synthesis parameters, the surface area of the material could be enhanced from 92 to 196.67 m<sup>2</sup>/g. As the data size increases, there might be the possibility to obtain better accuracy in the result.

## 4 Conclusion

In the present study, the surface area of MnO<sub>2</sub> was first time predicted by MLRA Jupyter notebook with high accuracy of 94% by tuning the hydrothermally synthesis parameters. The correlation between the surface area and temperature was highest and lowest was surface area and material quantity. The surface area of the MnO<sub>2</sub> can be enhanced from 92 to 196.67 m<sup>2</sup>/g by tuning the synthesis parameters. Hence, the MLRA may be used for optimising the surface area of the material and high surface area MnO<sub>2</sub> can be synthesised experimentally.

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