



Heat of hydration model to predict concrete temperature rise:

Gaussian process regression links paste characteristics to mass concrete performance

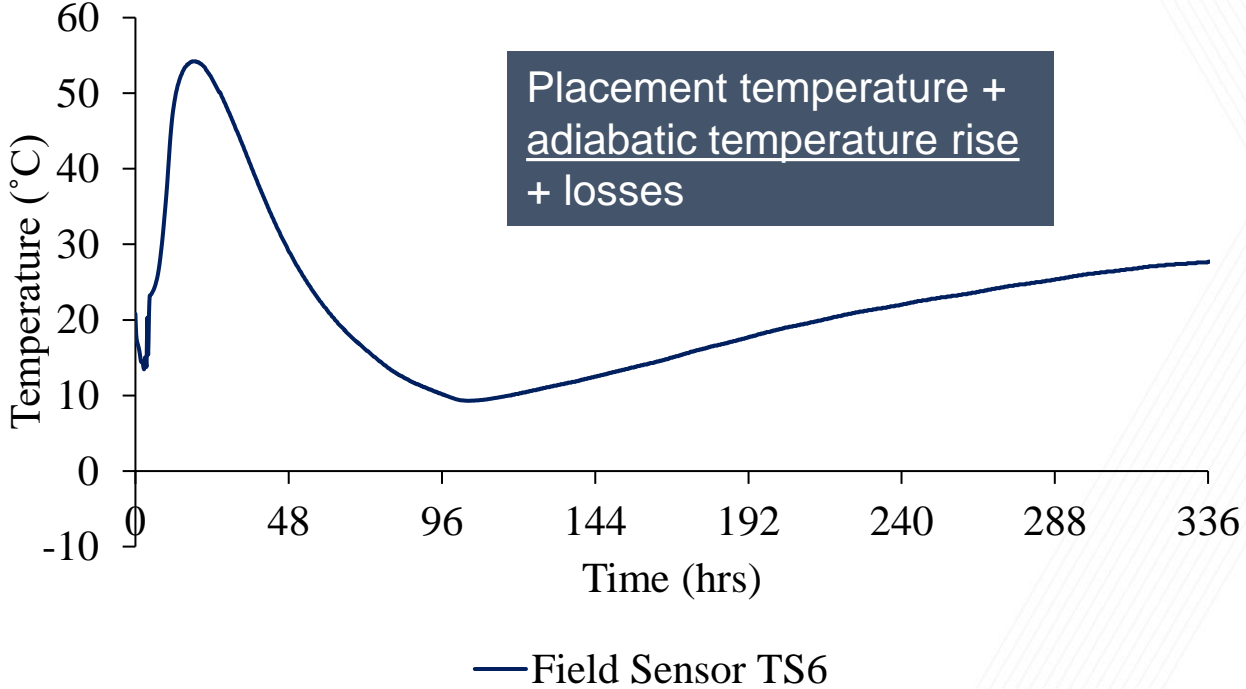
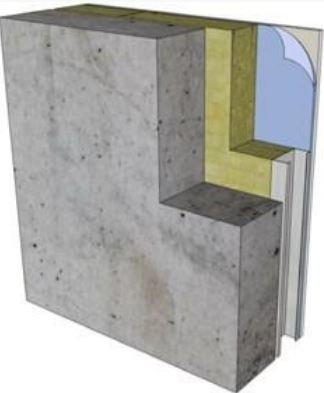
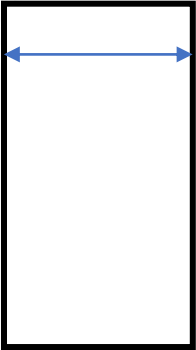
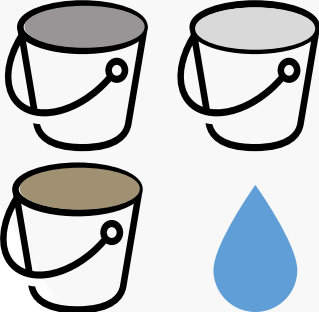
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Outline

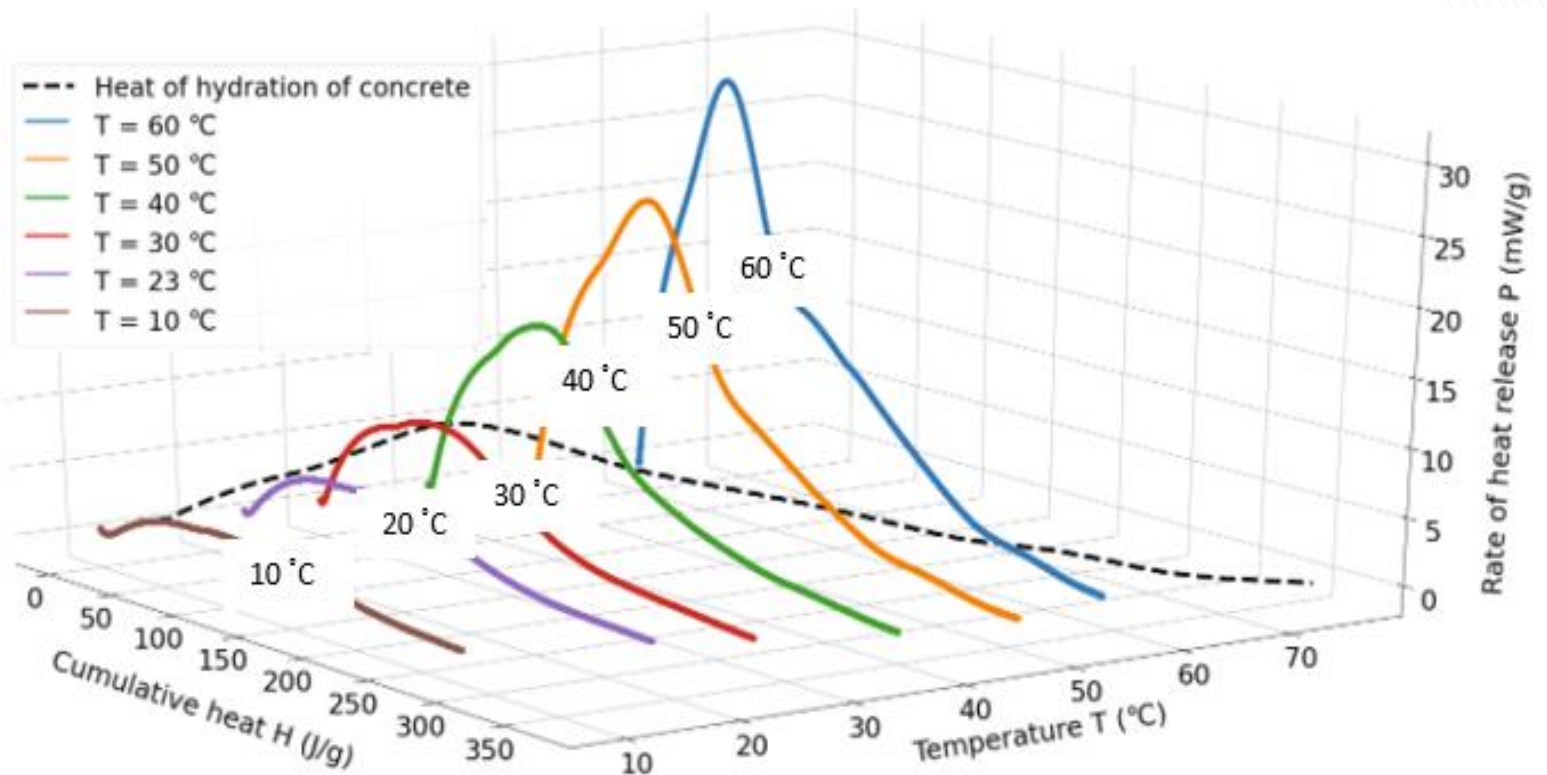
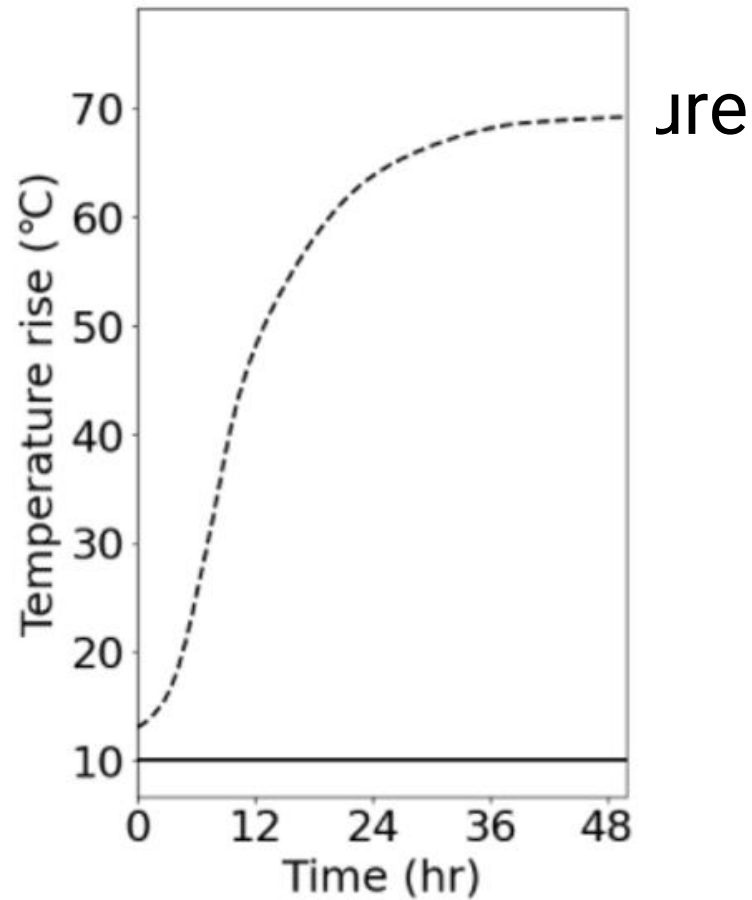
1. Mass concrete definition
2. Thermal modeling background
3. Role of machine learning
4. Mass concrete application

What is mass concrete?



Determination of heat of hydration

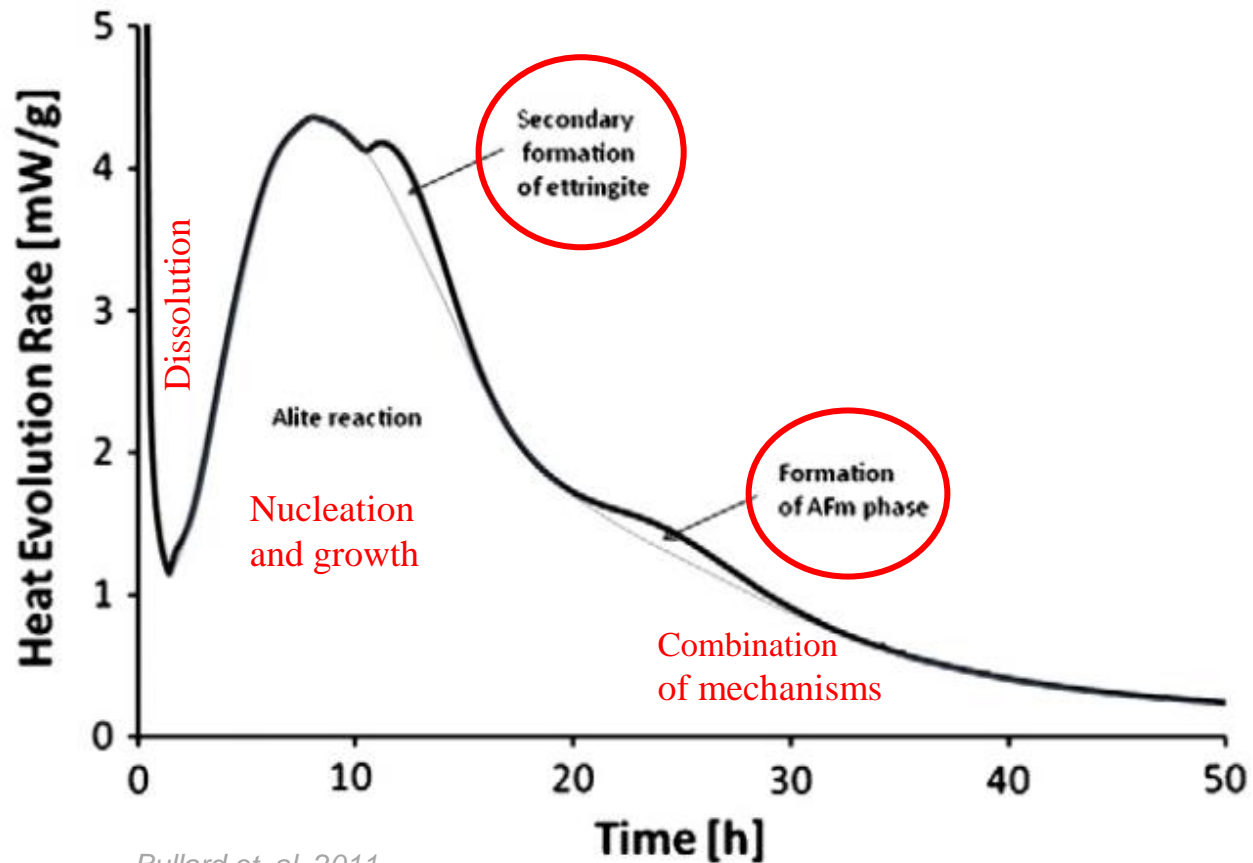
1. H and T of CONCRETE can be easily predicted from paste



Objective...

How can we find the heat of hydration at different temperatures without performing isothermal calorimetry?

Kinetic models for heat of hydration



Bullard et. al, 2011

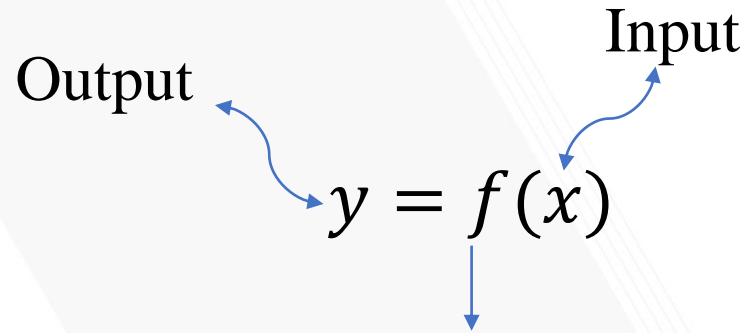
- C_3A + gypsum hydration
- SCMs
- Admixtures
- Models are not generalizable

Machine learning

- 407 cumulative heat of hydration histories

Feature		Cumulative heat
Time	↑	↑
Temperature	↑	↑
Fineness	↑	↑
C_3S , C_3A	↑	↑
SO_3	↑	↑
MgO	↑	↑
Alkalis	↑	↑
w/s	↑	↑
Fly ash ↑, FA CaO ↑	↑	↓ ↑
Slag	↑	↓
Limestone	↑	↕
Activation energy-based rate factor		Captures temperature sensitivity

Gaussian process regression

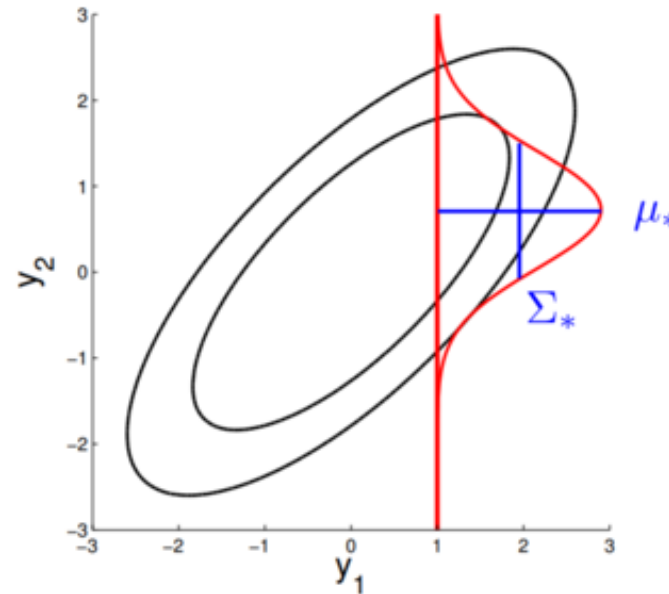


In linear regression

$$y = ax + b$$

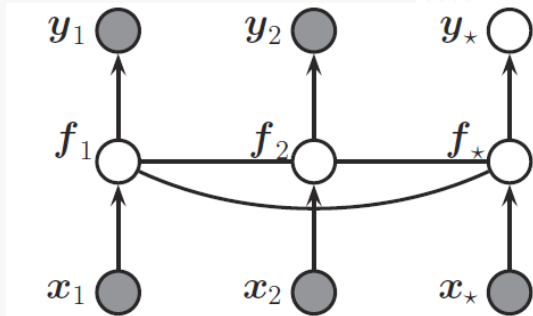
In GPR: distribution over functions
at a finite set of points

- A GP assumes distribution is jointly gaussian
 - Mean $\mu(x)$
 - Covariance $\Sigma(x)$ which is a kernel k function



Gaussian process regression

Kernels measure similarity

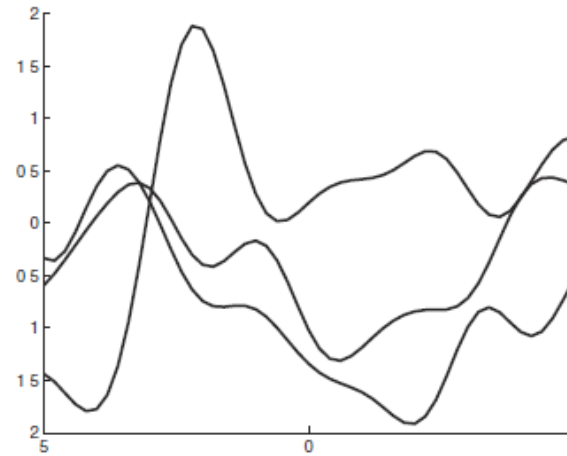


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Matern 3/2 kernel

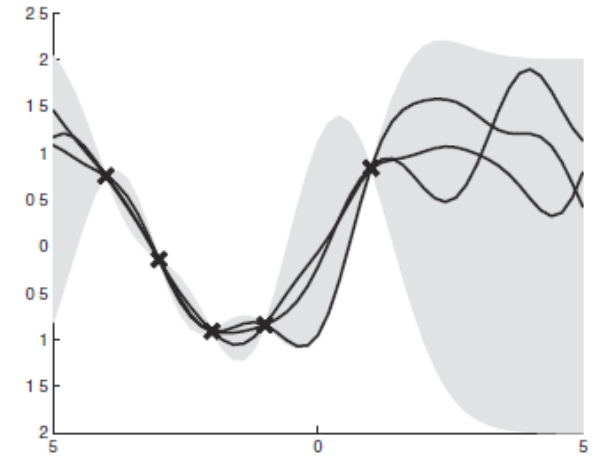
$$k(x_i, x_j | \theta) = \sigma_f^2 \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3} r}{\sigma_l} \right) \exp \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3} r}{\sigma_l} \right)$$

Prior



(a)

Posterior

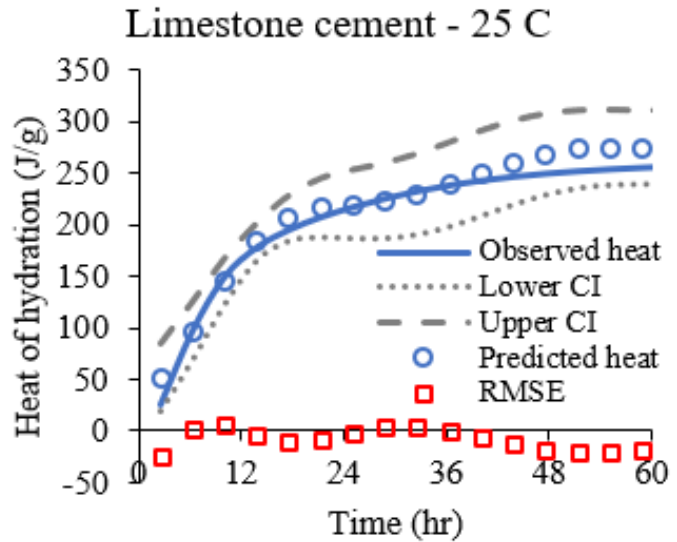
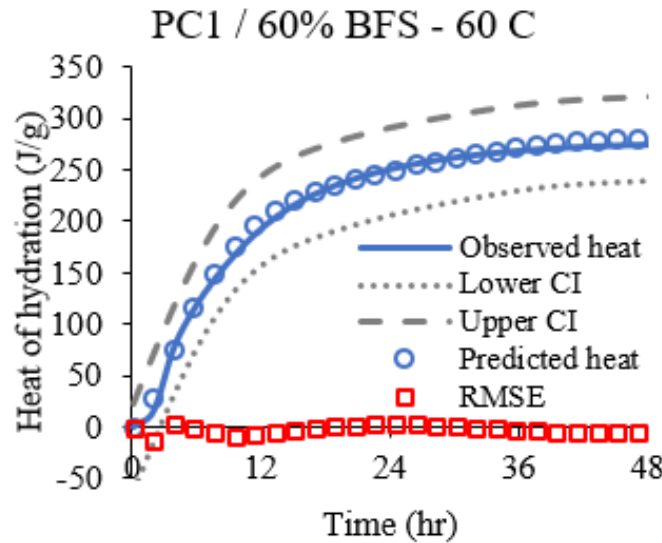
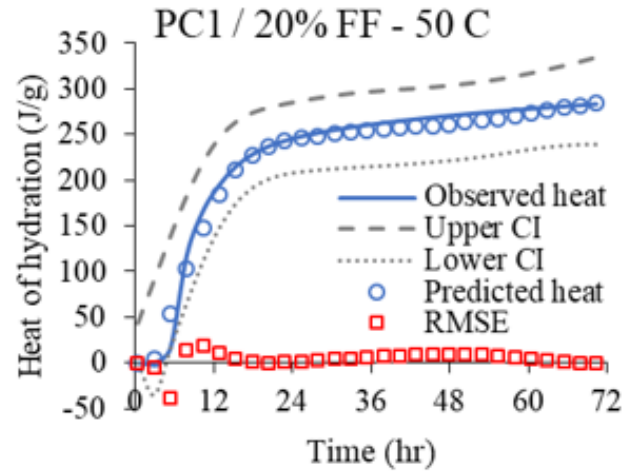
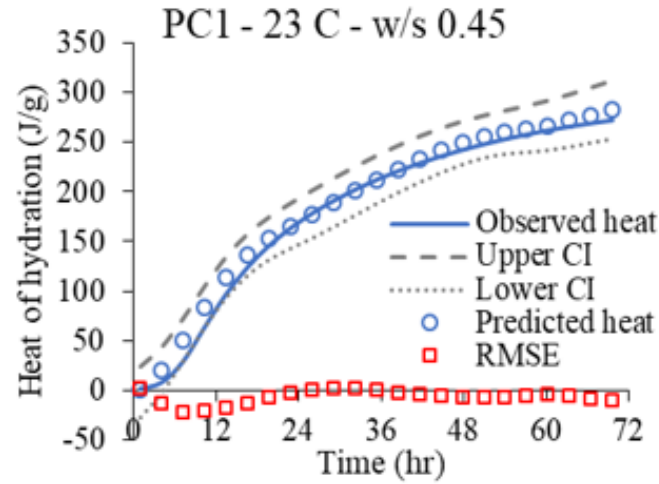


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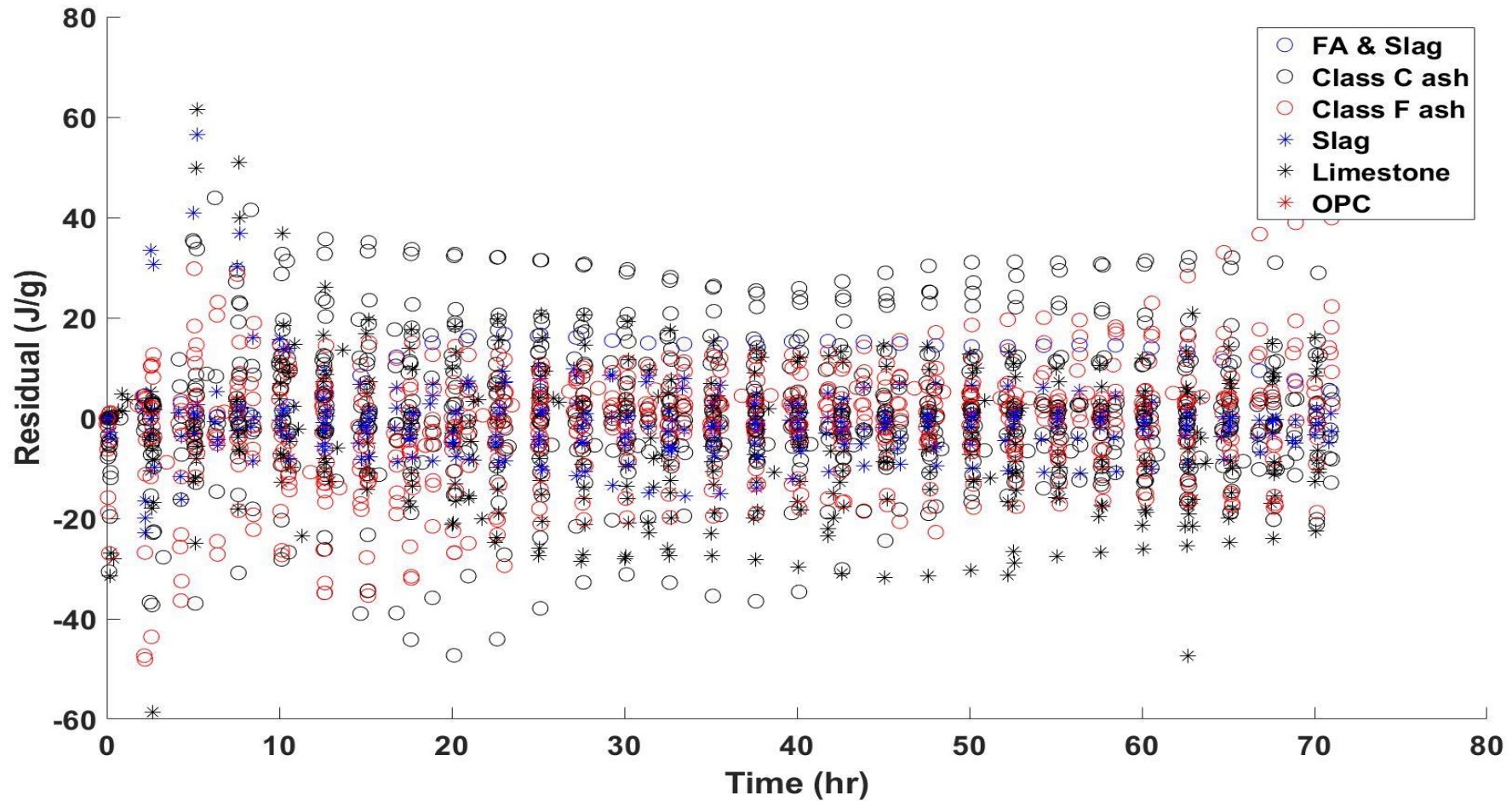
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Results

- PC: Portland cement
- FF: Class F fly ash
- BFS: Blast furnace slag



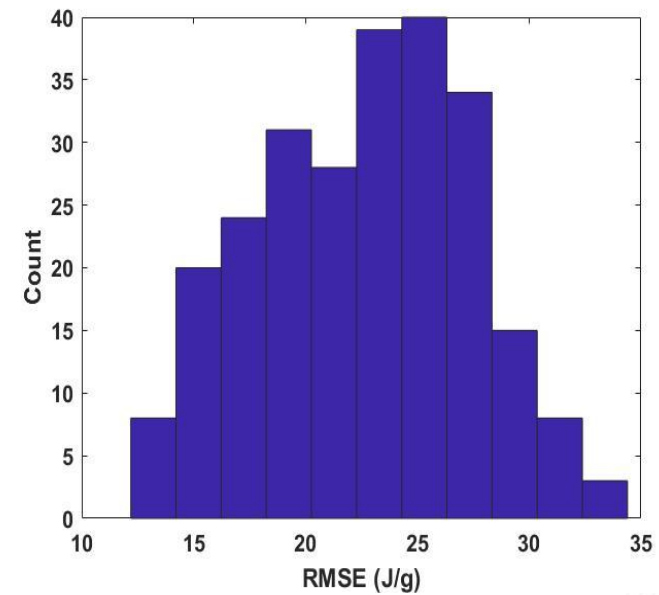
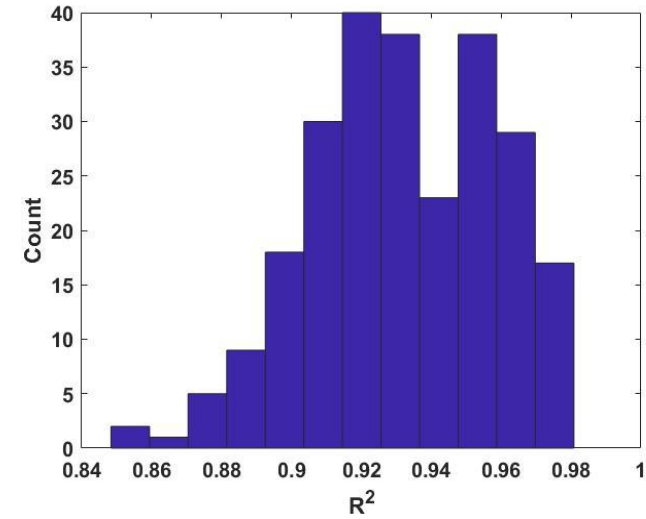
Results



Model stability

- 200 iterations

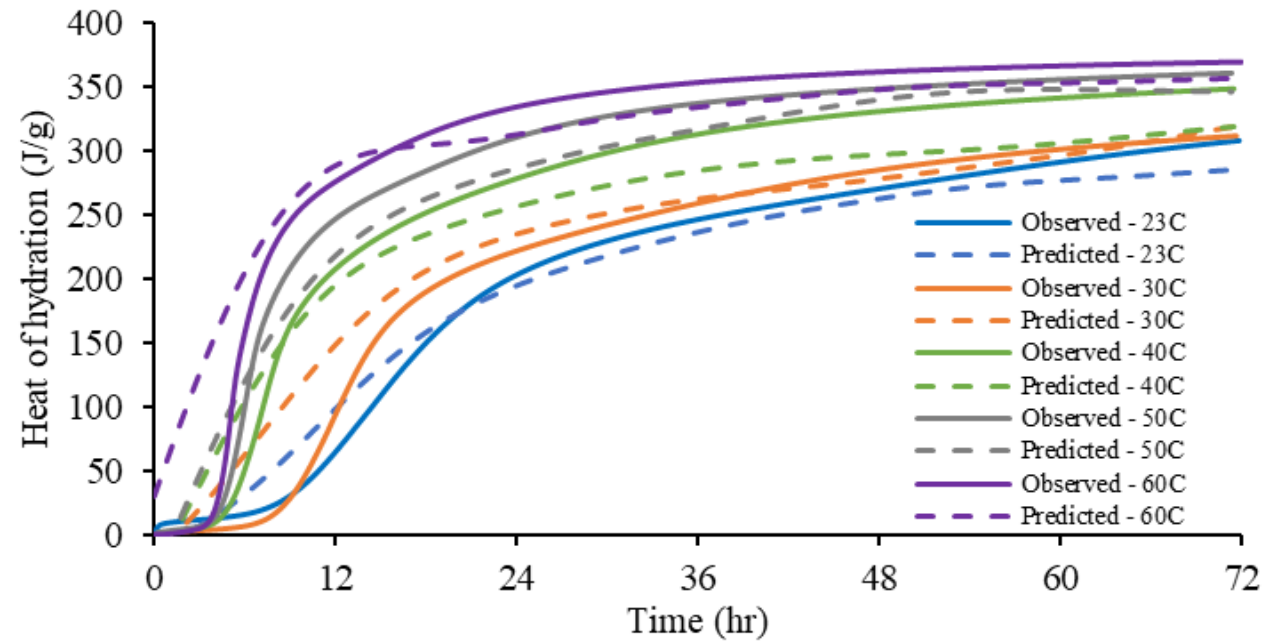
Criteria	R ²	RMSE (J/g)	MAE (J/g)
Mean	0.932	22.64	12.25



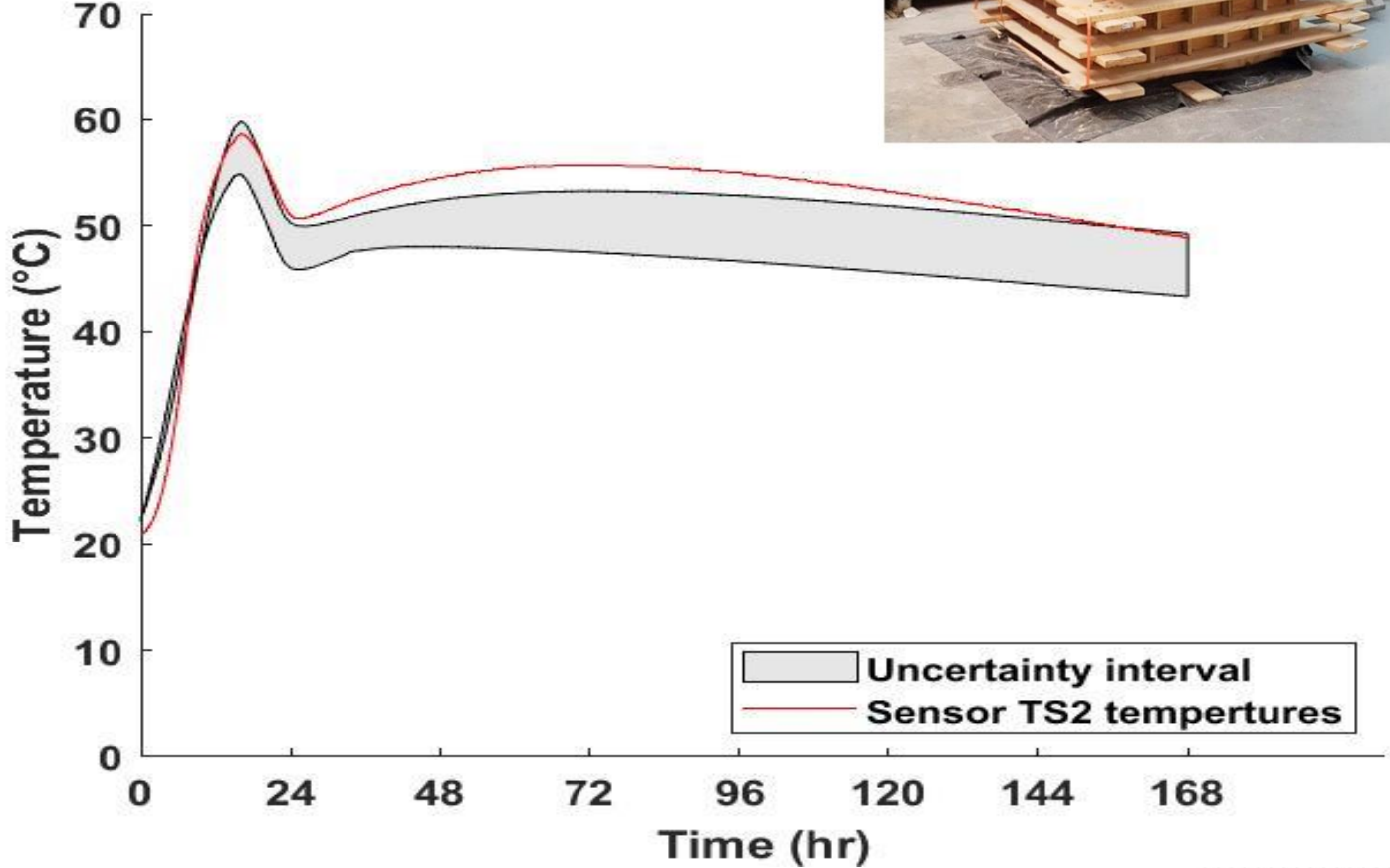
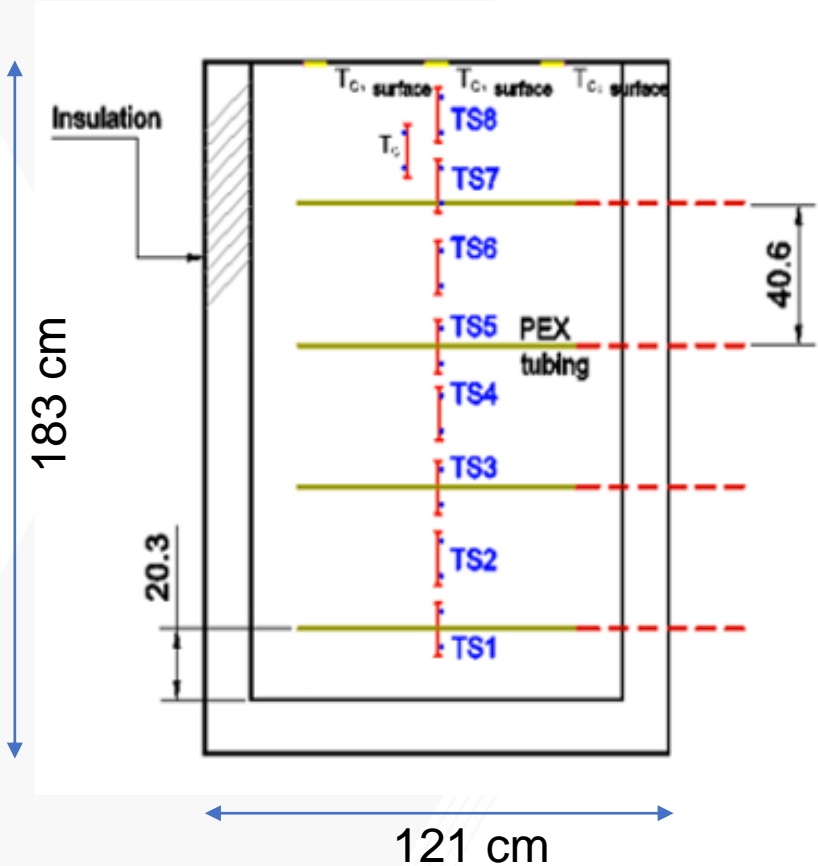
How do we use these results?



	OPC	Class F fly ash
Oxide analysis – mass %		
MgO	1.70	-
SO ₃	3.30	-
Na ₂ O _{eq}	0.48	-
CaO	-	6.99
Phase composition – mass %		
C ₃ S	59	-
C ₂ S	12	-
C ₃ A	7	-
C ₄ AF	10	-
Fineness (m²/kg)		
SSA	-	338.9
Blaine	391	-



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Thank you for listening...