

# **Forest Fires**

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### **Topic & Motivation**



- UC Irvine Machine Learning Repository
- Predicting burned area of forest fires
- Northeastern Portugal (Montesinho Park)
- Important to be able to predict extreme weather

# **Data Introduction**



Montesinho Park, Portugal

- Date of fire
- temperature, relative humidity, wind speed, rain accumulation
- Fine Fuel Moisture code (FFMC), Duff Moisture code (DMC), Drought code (DC)
- Initial Spread Index (ISI)
- X and Y axis spatial coordinates within the Montesinho park
- total area burned

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**



Forest Fire Frequency By Park Zone



#### Mean Area Burned and Fine Fuel Moisture Content





# More modeling!

Distribution of Bootstrapped Slopes; Area Burned vs. Temp Regression



# **Conclusions/Future Work**



- End of summer months have most wildfires
- Increased temperature is associated with increased ISI (but not with a huge significance)
- FFMC is the variable most correlated with ISI
- Rain accumulation and wind do not have significant correlation with area burned
- Future: comparing with data points on days that forest fires do NOT occur