

Decision analysis for earthquake prediction methodologies: fuzzy inference algorithm for trust validation

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ABSTRACT

To identify a set of earthquake precursors for predicting earthquakes in different tectonic environments, a series of geo-scientific tools and methodologies based on rigorous assessment of multi-parameters have been developed by different researchers without complete success in earthquake prediction. The aim of earthquake forecasting involve multi-components analysis in implementing probabilistic forecasts that resolves decision-making in a low-probability environment. The proposed work analytically examined some of the modern seismological earthquake algorithms used for analyzing seismo-electro-telluric-geodetic data used across the globe. The present study develops a fuzzy inference model by correlating evaluatory parameters by surveying analytical work of the data sets used, numerical experimentation done in analysis and the global application and success rate of 18 of the most viable earthquake prediction algorithms developed by mutually comparing different models in earthquake predictability experiments. Using qualitative analysis in probabilistic information, an efficient trust model has been implemented through fuzzy inferencing rules. Trust validity through information is an aggregation of consensus in earthquake occurrence given a set of past success rate and the methodologies involved in prediction.

General Terms

Decision Analysis, Geo -Science, Survey, Fuzzy Inference

Keywords

precursors;algorithms;component; trust; efficiency;prediction

1. INTRODUCTION

Earthquake prediction is one of the most important unresolved problems in geosciences. Many researchers across the world especially of U.S.A[Shimazaki and Stuart,1985; Dmowska,1997],Japan[Asada,1982],Italy[DragonianandBoschi 1992], Turkey [Vogel and Itsikara,1982], China[Shih-jung,1993], Netherlands [Kisslinger ,1986], India[Guha and Patwardhan,1985] have long been monitoring earthquake patterns and clusters. Over the past decade, earthquake prediction research[Kellis Borok and Soloviev,2003] has been revitalized and predictability experiments are currently active worldwide. The advent of new seismic monitoring resources and instrumentation has also seen researchers from fields apart from geology and geophysics pursue their study in earthquake forecasting. In order to explain the relevance of

the analyzed prediction algorithms there is a need to speculate the behavior of the algorithm based on certain parameters for learning. Based on certain feedback analysis, some preliminary hypotheses are advanced and tested; some of these may be rejected, and new hypotheses advanced; more data may be required, until finally some conclusion is reached based on the validity of the data and the associated mode of the algorithm hypothesis. However, to validate the relevance of earthquake algorithms, there is a need to establish the trustworthiness of the space-time forecasting scale of prediction algorithms. Hence, trustworthiness of information is an important issue in this data-driven model as [Gabriellov et al,1990] of catastrophic analysis of earthquake prediction based science. If the source of each fact is known, trust can be used to prioritize information and select the most trusted of the inconsistent facts to include. With a break-through in informatics many data relevant to catastrophic extremes became available for intensive search and testing of empirical precursors, as well as of conceptual hypotheses in seismo-tectonic study. The strategic [Molchan,1990] system of earthquake prediction algorithm design and implementation need certain computational framework model as [Mohsin and Azam,2011] based on information study patterns essential to the platform of scientific validation of the long term analysis and robustness of the model. An analytic model can be expressed linguistically and therefore it makes sense to make use of fuzzy logic to model expert knowledge and draw inferences based on that to reach a decision on the efficiency of the algorithm. The decision rules are given in the form of the logical implications requiring the validation of space and temporal data analysis The model of fuzzification and defuzzification was worked out to analyze the parametric values of the efficiency of earthquake algorithms. This paper examines the usage of efficiency features -based trust analysis techniques in order to predict the earthquake algorithms performance in an information gain model on data prediction based ranking [Chapelle et al.,2011] algorithm. Trust and validation analysis based on parameter sets has seen very less attempts[Riedel ,1996] in the present domain of earthquake algorithm analysis [Varotsos et al.,1996]. The present analysis checks the effectiveness(trustworthiness) of the earthquake prediction model decomposing the system based on certain trust based evaluatory parameters. According to the presented decomposition the analytic parameters involved are the global application of the prediction model; numerical experimentation done in the modern framework, the

decomposed parts yield linguistic data to comprehend and synthesized and solved as a complex analysis.

Table 1: Procedures of fuzzy usability evaluation process

| Procedure | Description |
|--|---|
| Utility of analytical evaluation process | Prior to the execution of other procedures, the utility of prediction algorithm needs to be identified. The process must have positive impact on the target system (quality, satisfaction, robustness of information, efficiency, reliability etc.) |
| Level of evaluation Global | Group of homogenous systems will have higher reliability. System having higher efficiency and trust parametrics are likely to survive global scale evaluations. |
| Numerical experiments | After definition of the empirical scale and equipping the rule base based on hazard parameters with expert knowledge, criteria on the conditional occurrence rate by numeric score of each criterion.. |
| Exploration with active forecast | After performing all evaluations for the forecast structure that optimizes the information in t to compare results to find the best alternative or analyze how different classes of users evaluate selected systems. |

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2. GENERAL SCHEME OF PREDICTION IN EARTHQUAKE ALGORITHM

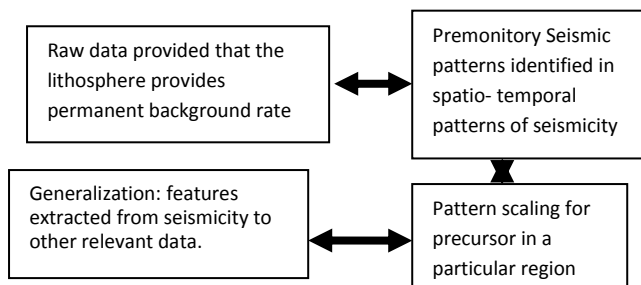


Fig1:Four -step block process for any earthquake algorithm designed for data retrieval

The dynamics of the lithosphere from the point of decision making involves a relevant field in a certain area prior to time of occurrence of event based on spatio-temporal patterns of seismicity. On the other hand, it is found that premonitory increase of the earthquakes' correlation range; these chains are the dense, long, and rapidly formed sequences of small

and medium earthquakes. An earthquake fault is a grouping of topologically complex fault segments having significant mutual interactions due to elastic and stress transfer at all scales. Activity of the faults is closely related and display space time correlations of the composed system. Numerical simulation allows us to integrate physics of earthquakes along all scales. Simulated earthquake begins when force on a block due to plate motions reaches a static threshold that is needed to be identified by all.

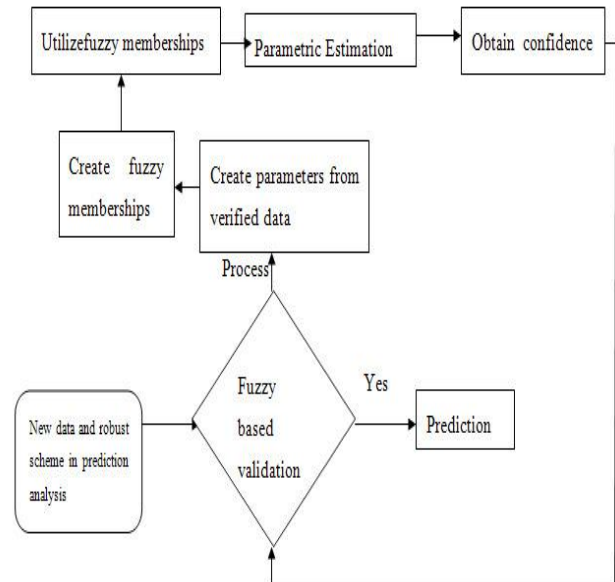


Fig 2: Data Model Simulation for Flow Diagram Analysis

The purpose of this study is to improve the state of knowledge, through a parametric search of earthquake algorithms for the purpose of aiding decision makers in reducing seismic hazards. This includes various modeling designs based on social domain S as a tuple of the form (an, ga, ne, exact, success) ground motion modeling, and design and experimentation. The present study designs a trust validation scheme for the types of algorithms and their field of relevance through a data model simulation flow diagram in fig 2. The algorithms that have been implemented so far have studied the physical process behind earthquake dynamics by examining the effects of earthquake nucleation and fault system geometry on earthquake occurrence. Evaluation of strong clustering through spatial and time series analysis, corresponding to foreshocks, aftershocks and occasionally large-earthquake pairs. They determine that fault system geometry acts as the primary control of earthquake recurrence statistics. The system also involves need for using computational fault system earthquake simulators[Rundle et al.,2000] to define the empirical probability density distributions for use in regional assessments of earthquake probabilities. Based on the above analytic surveys, classification analysis of algorithms based on the same physical behavior in Table 1 in order to test simultaneously the occurrence of earthquakes on all of them through a weak but universally acceptable hypothesis[Keilis-Borok and Malinovskaya,1964].

Table 2: Mode of Analysis by earthquake algorithms in different environments

| FORMULATION APPROACH | ALGORITHM DEFINED |
|---|--|
| Computational modeling | RELM[Jordan et al.,2010],ANN[Giacinto et al.,1997],SHA[Field et al.,2003],VC[Rundle et al.,2008], Pattern recognition[Morales- Esteban et al.,2010], Satellite and GPS[Goetz et al.,2006;Vogel et al.,1979], Non -Poisson hidden markov models[Ebel et al.,2007]. |
| Physical processes originating within fault systems in the earthquake genesis model | EEPAS[Rhoades and Evison,2007],MEE[Sobolev et al.,1997], Crustal-block[Ishiguro, 1981], Accelerating seismicity [Papazachos et al.,2002], Load/Unload[Yin et al.,1995], Seismic Cycle [Bufe and Varnes,1993], Deformation rate[Wyss et al.,1990b] |
| Statistical modeling and time series based modeling | Smoothed Seismicity[Kagan and Jackson,1999], RTA[Kellis Borok et al.,2004], M8 [Keilis-Borok and Kossobokov, 1990a],CN [Keilis-Borok and Rotwain,1990],Presis[Wolfe, 2006], MSc [Kossobokov et al., 1990],Fuzzy Expert System [Andalib et al,2007] |
| Geophysical and precursory approaches | NSE[Vorobieva and Levshina,1994], VAN[Mulargia and Gasperini,1992], Electro-telluric[Rikitake and Yamazaki,1967] , Radon[Walia et al,2005], Animal Behavior[Sidorin,2003], Paleo-seismology[Atzemoglou et al,1994] RF Emissions [Kolvankar, 2007], Tides[Asaravala], Seismic quiescence[Di Giovambattista and Tyupkin,2004], electrical [Thanassoulas and Tselentis, 1993] |

3. DISCUSSION OF ALGORITHMS

In data-driven expert systems, it might happen that the data and the algorithm design is such that the two or more rules analytic rules concurrent in the earthquake prediction usage may become dependable and concurrently fireable. The proposed work present a brief analysis of the modern

algorithms from a comparative viewpoint of trust analysis of data-driven framework utilized by the algorithms. Most of the algorithm information has been collected and compiled from various internet resources and have then been analyzed for linguistic data in a fuzzy inference model design. All the algorithms have been studied and analyzed for their robustness and also significant limitations for analysis. A comparative estimation for trust validation based on fuzzy inference rules is presented in the algorithmic study and there. This makes fuzzy control particularly useful if no linear parametric model of the process under control is available.

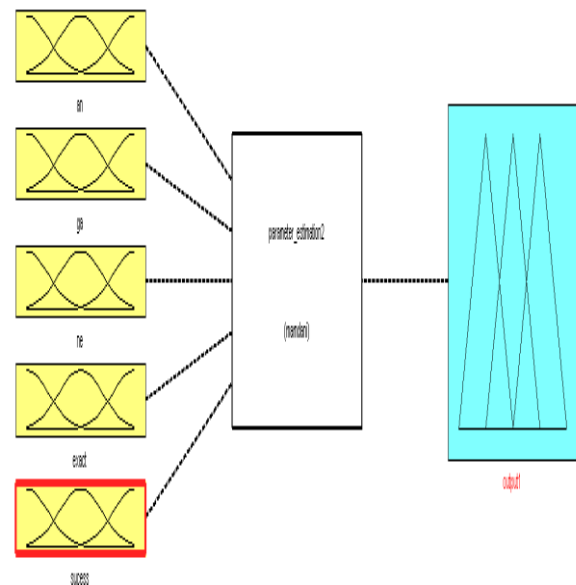


Fig 3:Fuzzy Controller design in trust validation analysis using source parameters

4. DESIGN OF A FUZZY EXPERT SYSTEM DESIGN

The trust based fuzzy inference algorithm for parametric study has been utilized in system analysis for trust validation schemes:

- Identify the parameters that best suits the problem requirement for trust based validation by analyzing the earthquake prediction algorithm for choice of the type of fuzzy system for inputs, states, and the outputs reducing its complexity and making it more comprehensible.
- Partition the universe of discourse or the interval spanned by each variable in the assumed parameter of relevance into a number of fuzzy subsets, assigning each a linguistic label
- Assign or determine a membership function for each fuzzy subset
- Assign the fuzzy relationships between the inputs', states' fuzzy subsets on the one hand and the outputs' fuzzy subsets on the other hand, to form the rule base
- Definition of the set of heuristic fuzzy rules. (if-then rules).
- Choose appropriate scaling factors for the input and output variables in order to normalize the parameter variables to the [0, 1] or the [-1, 1] interval

- Fuzzify the inputs to the controller
- Use fuzzy approximate reasoning to infer the output contributed from each rule
- Aggregate the fuzzy outputs recommended by each rule
- Apply defuzzification to form a crisp output A single fuzzy if-then is of the form, if x is A then y is B where A and B are linguistic variables defined by fuzzy sets on the ranges X and Y, respectively. The 'if' part of the rule is called the antecedent or premise and the 'then' part of the rule is called consequent or conclusion.

Evaluatory results from a series of combiner o/p and a protocol for parameters is designed for combining the results into a fuzzy inference base. In the analysis a rule-based fuzzy expert system is analyzed for the trust validation scenario of the the earthquake prediction domain based on a number of parametric approaches in domain meets the general conditions under which a fuzzy solution provides a domain where approximate solutions are acceptable. Every decision rule represents the one fuzzy relation between the Analytical Work, Global Application ; Numerical experimentation Exploration with actual forecast& observation ; Success achieved in declaring alarm and and the system output that remains as the algorithm efficiency. The decision rules are given in the form of the logical implications. Analytical work (AN) Global approach(ga) Numerical Experimentation (ne) Exploration with active forecast(exact) and Success rate(success).

5.WORK AND RESULTS

In prediction of a trust based framework, information I(t) is chosen and transformed in such a way as to detect characteristic patterns premonitory to individual target events. An algorithm efficiency lies in its ability for detection of rare events which may not depend on a detailed seismicity model .The ideal means is to identify a risk of occurrence of a larger event based on study of the parameters defined in the above chart that will help in computational algorithms knowledge base engine for earthquake study in the future as provided in Table 2. Using these approach, the problem of modeling r(t, g, M) is equivalent to constructing a model of the seismic process in the phase space (t, g, M) in terms of conditional rate where M is the magnitude of the earthquake expected to occur in the bin dg× dt with some probability P(dg, dt). Successful occurrences of earthquake records can be predicted using statistically significant algorithms[Boschi,2007] and applying data mining methodologies to an existent database ranking score for each attribute showing the relevance (predicting power) for each class. Efficiency of the algorithm(ψ)= $I(t)*r(t, g, M)$ where I(t) is the information rate for all the technical data provided by the algorithm and r(t, g, M) is the function of space time and a certain magnitude threshold M of the earthquake. We find that efficiency of an algorithm depends on its ability to determine a rare event and success rate achieved by the parallel application of the earthquake algorithm in different regions. The algorithm efficiency is dictated by the trust index and depends parametrically on the quality of the precursor. There is a need to test information gain in the reduction of entropy(uncertainty) about the classification/clustering of a test class based on observation of a particular variable. We form a chart based on our perceptions of records provided of different earthquake algorithms in Table 2. Development of

trust implies a dedicated study in the time dimension of relationships.An algorithm in the long term development for the region is likely to garner more information gain associated returning a probability distribution over the possible class labels as an array of system with numerous signals overlaying each other in time.

Table 2: Comparison between various earthquake algorithms on the basis of five comparing parameters

| Name of algorithm-m | Analytical Work | Global Approximation | Numerical experiment imposed on the system. | Exploration with actual forecast & observation | Success achieved in declaring alarm. |
|--|-----------------|----------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| EEPAS | Yes | No | Yes | No | No |
| Smoothed Seismicity | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| RTP | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| RELM | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| MSC/M8/CN | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| ANN | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| After shock sequence approach | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| MEE | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| VAN | No | No | Yes | No | No |
| Presis | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| SHA | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Acc Seismicity before large earthquake | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Precursor Variations | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Virtual California Model | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| GPS and satellite oriented study | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |

The parametric study involves analytical work for output work and o/p data index needs to be obtained from the nominal values can be expressed as: T_0 is expressed by the linguistic fuzzy variables having the following LNO – large negative deviation for o/p, MNO – mean negative deviation of o/p, ZRO – zero deviation of o/p, MPO – mean positive deviation of the o/p, LPO – large positive deviation of the o/p. Global Application of the prediction algorithms also have been given membership values of low, medium and high. In

this section we apply the previously introduced fuzzy rule-based inference schemes to control a dynamic process in a closed-loop configuration. We follow this up with numerical experimentation having low deviation(L_dv) medium deviation(M_dv) and positive deviation(p_dv).The study follows up exploration with active forecast for high(HP) low(LP) and zero probability(ZP) values. Finally an analysis of the success rate can be made based on the Low negative probability(LNP), low probability(LP) zero probability(ZP) positive probability(PP) and high positive(HP) probability values. The membership functions of these fuzzy variables are as follows.

Fuzzy rule base is defined as follows :

If an is LNO or ga is very low or ne is LP or exact is HP or success is low or success is LNP then efficiency low

If an is MNO or ga is very medium or ne is LP or exact is LP or success is NP then o/p is low

If an is ZO or ga is high or success is LP then o/p is medium

If an is MPO or ga is medium or ne is mdv or exact is LP or success is NP then o/p is low

If an is VPO or ga is high or ne is Pdv or exact is ZP or success is NP then o/p is medium

If an is VPO and ga is high and ne is Pdv and exact is HP and success is NP then o/p is high

If an is MPO and ga is medium and ne is mdv and exact is not ZP and success is HP then o/p is low

The evaluation process, analyzed and validated results and demonstrated possible conclusions; truthfulness, completeness, and bias scores and argue that these must be calculated relative to the user to be meaningful. Let P(c) be the belief in a claim c that a data set is relevant to the above found claim. The system computes truthfulness of a collection of characteristic equivalent to certain function validated by the algorithm I(c, P(c)) is the importance of a claim given its truth

$$T(C) = \sum_{c \in C} P(c) \cdot I(c, P(c)) / \sum_{c \in C} I(c, P(c))$$

. Next, if a collection C purports to cover a base t, and A is the collection of all claims in the table 2 cited above, completeness with respect to t can be computed as

$$C(C) = \sum_{c \in C} P(c) \cdot I(c, P(c)) \cdot R(c, t) / \sum_{c \in C} P(c) \cdot I(c, P(c)) \cdot R(c, t)$$

where R(c, t) is the [0, 1] relevance of a given claim c to the topic t. Evaluating this probabilistic mode of study for check of the algorithm efficiency, it is found that EEPAS, Msc and RTP are presently the best algorithms designed. However, MSc following a theoretical oriented approach makes EEPAS and RTP the most plausible earthquake algorithms. They are more useful as they also serve the purpose of monitoring earthquakes and seismicity at different levels of long, mid and short term analysis. However all analytic methods involved in interpreting physical process of earthquakes, computational processes for survey, statistical and time series based forecasting studies and geophysical precursory analysis have their own merits in certain locationbasedanalysis.

6. CONCLUSION

The trust evaluation metric based on fuzzy based inference is especially convenient to use in the systems where more dependent variables have to be considered and their macroscopic behavior is needed to be studied. Mathematical interpretations of genesis mechanism of earthquake occurrence and precursory behavior has been at large been neglected although the domain promises new techniques that will combine many approaches(Dutta et al,2011^{a,b}) The concept of the knowledge basis is in operation with the fuzzy variables. In other words, the knowledge basis is developed as the fuzzy system and used for the trust pattern evaluation definition. The linguistic variables of the model have different distance between the points having maximum degree of membership. However our basic observation and analytic overview requires that a collective decision is taken to interpret the single most important pattern or anomaly that presides an earthquake. There is a need to discover more empirical precursory relations and implement better information retrieval approaches and inference frameworks which involves not just compiling the observation collected but trying to analyze by conducting experiments and observations in situ. Future work in the area could focus on multiple research directions. The study will be enhanced with more complex models on crustal dynamic mapping analysis that guarantees the possibility of a large earthquake being triggered by another observable strain release event. Currently most of the work deals with simple situations where there are information providers and claims provided by information providers. But in real world situations, there are a lot of entities which interact with each other where an elaborate semantic analysis needs to be conducted to deduce real time inferential framework.

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