

Renewable Energy Forecasting with Echo State Networks

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Abstract

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1. Introduction

Reducing carbon emissions has become a priority for many countries in response to the rising threat of climate change. The goal set by the 2015 Paris Agreement is to prevent the global temperature from rising more than 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels [1]. Virtually all current plans to reduce carbon emissions depend on increasing the share of energy production by renewable and clean energy sources, especially solar and wind energy [2, 3]. While solar and wind are low-carbon sources, these forms of electricity generation are variable and unpredictable. This variability is found to be major cause of black-outs and power system failures [4]. Further, even modest penetrations of renewable energy negatively affect the economics of other types of clean energy, such as nuclear power [2, 5]. There has been some work done to quantify the economic benefit of improving forecasts of renewable energy [6, 7, 8]. Some of the benefits of improving forecasts are: 1) It is often cheaper than building storage devices [6]. 2) Would reduce curtailment and allow for efficient use of non-renewable sources [7]. 3) Enable a slight, but important, amount of load-following from nuclear and bio-mass generators which are not designed for rapid load following [8].

2. Methodology

3. Results

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Table 1: Tabulated error for 48-hour ahead wind forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting wind energy alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Wind Energy	0.001285	0.001727	[-]	[-]
Wind + Sun Elevation	0.000739	0.001181	-42.49	-31.62
Wind + Humidity	0.000901	0.001304	-29.88	-24.49
Wind + Pressure	0.000689	0.001235	-46.38	-28.49
Wind + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.000965	0.001373	-24.90	-20.50
Wind + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.001059	0.001393	-17.59	-19.34
Wind + Wind Speed	0.001873	0.002437	+45.76	+41.11

Table 2: Tabulated error for 4-hour ahead wind forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting wind energy alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Wind Energy	0.001434	0.001801	[-]	[-]
Wind + Sun Elevation	0.000905	0.001388	-36.89	-22.93
Wind + Humidity	0.001082	0.001424	-24.55	-20.93
Wind + Pressure	0.000845	0.001425	-41.07	-20.88
Wind + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.000999	0.001559	-30.33	-13.44
Wind + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.001057	0.001562	-26.29	-13.27
Wind + Wind Speed	0.001498	0.001797	+4.46	-0.2221

Table 3: Tabulated error for 48-hour ahead solar energy forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting solar energy alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Solar Energy	0.001367	0.002242	[-]	[-]
Solar + Sun Elevation	0.000932	0.001327	-31.82	-40.81
Solar + Humidity	0.001091	0.001688	-20.19	-24.71
Solar + Pressure	0.000830	0.001422	-39.28	-36.57
Solar + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.001304	0.001806	-4.609	-19.45
Solar + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.001263	0.001674	-7.608	-25.33
Solar + Wind Speed	0.001820	0.002624	+33.14	+17.04

Table 4: Tabulated error for 4-hour ahead solar energy forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting solar energy alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Solar Energy	0.000059	0.000068	[-]	[-]
Solar + Sun Elevation	0.000137	0.000146	+132.2	+114.7
Solar + Humidity	0.000128	0.000153	+116.9	+125.0
Solar + Pressure	0.000059	0.000076	0.0	+11.76
Solar + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.000152	0.000166	+157.6	+144.1
Solar + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.000065	0.000079	+10.17	+16.18
Solar + Wind Speed	0.000505	0.000660	+755.9	+870.6

Table 5: Tabulated error for 48-hour ahead total electricity demand forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting electricity demand alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Total Demand	0.000157	0.000197	[-]	[-]
Demand + Sun Elevation	0.000126	0.000170	-19.74	-13.70
Demand + Humidity	0.000361	0.000474	+129.9	+140.6
Demand + Pressure	0.000085	0.000136	-45.86	-30.96
Demand + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.000228	0.000267	+45.22	+35.53
Demand + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.000271	0.000345	+72.61	+75.13
Demand + Wind Speed	0.000785	0.001424	+400.0	+622.8

Table 6: Tabulated error for 4-hour ahead total electricity demand forecasts with various coupled quantities. Improvement indicates the percentage improvement over the base case of forecasting electricity demand alone.

Scenario	MAE	RMSE	Improvement MAE (%)	Improvement RMSE (%)
Total Demand	0.000073	0.000079	[-]	[-]
Demand + Sun Elevation	0.000051	0.000059	-30.14	-25.32
Demand + Humidity	0.000221	0.000246	+202.7	+211.4
Demand + Pressure	0.000041	0.000051	-43.84	-35.44
Demand + Wet Bulb Temp.	0.000110	0.000128	+50.68	+62.02
Demand + Dry Bulb Temp.	0.000131	0.000142	+79.45	+79.75
Demand + Wind Speed	0.000812	0.001297	+1012	+1541