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ABSTRACT

This project main goal is to refine a method, called the GAModel, to obtain better accuracy in seismic prediction. The GAModel is a model which aims to generate forecasts by using only Evolutionary Computation (EC).

This document summarizes the GAModel and proposes three extended versions for the GAModel. The first model, ReducedGAModel, is similar to the GAModel, though it has a different genotype representation. In the GAModel the genotype is related with the phenotype, and in ReducedGAModel the genotype is a version non-related with the phenotype. The second model named as Emp-ReducedGAModel, as the reducedGAModel, uses this new genotype idea and incorporates some empirical laws such as the modified Omori-Utsu formula. The last one, the Emp-GAModel, recovers the genotype-phenotype relation from the GAModel but also incorporates the same empirical laws that composes the ReducedGAModel.

These four models were evaluated and compared based on the predictability experiments framework proposed by the

"Collaboratory for the Study of Earthquake Predictability" (CSEP), an international effort to standardize the study and testing of earthquake forecasting models. The experiments were designed to compare 1-year earthquake rate forecasts for four regions in Japan in using the data from the Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) earthquake catalog.

Keywords

Evolutionary Computation, Genetic Algorithms, Forecasting, Earthquakes

1. INTRODUCTION

Earthquakes may cause soil rupture or movement, tsunamis and more. They may cause great losses and that can be explicit by some examples such as the earthquakes in Tohoku (2011) and Nepal(2015). To be able to minimize the consequences of these events, we look to create forecast earthquake occurrences models. Hence the characteristics of the earthquakes may vary both in time and place, these models should be to adapt their behavior to be able to forecast earthquakes which follows the reality.

This project aims to add significant improvements to the GAModel, a statistical method of analysis of earthquakes risk using the Genetic Algorithm technique (GA). Earthquakes cluster in both space and time, and the idea is to apply Genetic Algorithm technique (GA) with a some empirical laws, such as the modified Omori law. First, the background intensity (the independent earthquakes), which is a function of the space, is forecasted using the GA. Then, we use some empirical laws to obtain the dependent earthquakes for a specific time interval.

A common problem with applications of evolutionary algorithms is how to compare different methods, developed by different groups with different testing protocols, in a scientific fashion. We survey and summarize the best practices for the studying and testing of earthquake forecast models, as suggested by the Collaboratory for the Study of Earthquake Predictability (CSEP), an international partnership to promote rigorous study of the feasibility of earth-

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quake forecasting and predictability. Based on this framework, we design and implement a simple Genetic Algorithm for earthquake forecast modeling (GAModel). We compare forecasts generated by the GAModel with the Relative Intensity algorithm (RI) and an information-less forecast. These systems are applied on the earthquake catalog from the Japanese Meteorological Agency (JMA), using event data from 2005 to 2012. The forecasts are analyzed by their log-likelihood values compared to the actual data, as suggested in the Regional Earthquake Likelihood Model (RELM), and by the Area Skill Score (ASS) test.

The models resulted of those methods were analyzed using likelihood tests, as suggested by Regional Earthquake Likelihood Model (RELM) (Schorlemmer et al., 2007).

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