Outlier Detection

Detection of critical events in renewable energy production time series

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European Energy System



- One directional system
- Central control & modulation
- Relies on large generators

Figure – Historical large scale electrical infrastructure. Image from International Energy Agency.

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European Energy System

- Energy Transition to renewable sources
- Increased variability in generation and demand
- Complex bi-directional network



Figure - Likely large scale electrical infrastructure. Image from International Energy Agency.

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Figure – European transmission network model, includes lines that are planned and under construction. Image from Hörsch et al. [1].

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NP-Hard optimization problem



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Outliers represent the most extreme events. Reduces the input, while allowing for detailed modelling of the system.

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ERA5 Reanalysis Data



Figure – Example of ERA5 data. T2m during heatwave of 25th july 2019 13:00.

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Energy Conversion Models

Wind turbines onshore (WON), Wind turbines offshore (WOF), Solar Photovoltaic panels (SPV)



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- Compares Distributions of Interval I with remaining data Ω
- Divergence is the outlier score
- Approach works for multivariate spatial-temporal data



Figure – Principle idea of the MDI algorithm. The distribution of the interval / is compared to the remaining data Ω . Image from Barz et al. (2018)[4]

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MDI: Context F	mbedding		

Data is autocorrelated

Transform data point to phase space that is uncorrelated: Context Embedding



Figure - Examples of spatial and temporal context embedding. Images from Barz et al. (2017) [3].

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Experimental setup			

- Used to detect temporal outliers with context embedding
- Outlier scores: Cross Entropy and Unbiased Kullback-Leibler
- Multi-variate data (WON/WOF/SPV)
- Experiment 1: Outliers on the entire region \rightarrow *tuning*
- Experiment 2: Climate Change Experiments
- Experiment 3: Temporal Outliers and their Spatial Location \rightarrow *not presented*

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Figure - Top Cross Entropy Result Western Europe

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An adverse weather system for the electricity system of the UK and Europe[5].

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Experiment 1: The European Region Unbiased Kullback-Leibler





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Experiment 1: The European Region Events

Cross Entropy						
Top-k	Month	Length(h)	SPV	WON	WOF	Type
1/6/13/19	Aug.	48-72	+	_	_	Т
3/5	June	48-72	+	—	—	Т
07/09/2017	July	48-72	+	—	_	Т
16	July	72-96	+	—	_	Т
10/15	July	150 - 175	+	—	-	Т
14	Feb.	48-72	_	+	_	\mathbf{PT}
4	Apr.	48-72	0	+	+	Р
2/11	Dec.	48-72	_	+	+	Р
12/18	Feb.	48-72	_	+	+	Р
20	Jan.	48-72	_	+	+	Р

- Summer Deficiency
- Winter Surplus
- Interval Length Preferance

Figure – Top 20 Cross Entropy Outliers

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Experiment 2: Climate Change Experiment



Figure - Average Intensity of top 50 Cross Entropy Outliers. Total Energy generation over Western Europe used

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Similar Multidecadal Variability detected by Wohland et al. [6].

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 - Assessment of adequacy and possible changes of risk during extreme events
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More information

On the ACDC-ESM project and other works, see: uu.nl/staff/LPStoop

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Other experiments

Experiment 3: Spatial Location Experiment



Figure – Four time steps of top Unbiased Kullback-Leibler Outlier 2010-2019 Total Energy Generation. Spatial Location of the Outlier Highlighted

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Experiment 3:			
Spatial Location			

Experiment 1: Peak-and-Trough

Outlier number: 14, Cross Entropy score: 1.67



Figure - Peak and Trough. Outlier rank 14 Western Europe Cross Entropy

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MDI methods

Experiment 1: The European Region Events

unbiased Kullback-Leibler						
Top-k	Month	Length(h)	SPV	WON	WOF	Type
1/5/7/10	Jan.	216+	_	+	+	Р
2/8/17	Dec.	216 +	_	+	+	Р
3/4	Feb.	216+	_	+	+	Р
11/18-20	Nov.	216 +	_	+	+	Р
9	Jan.	192 - 216	—	+	+	Р
6/13/16	Feb.	216+	0	+	+	Р
14	Aug.	216+	+	—	—	Т
15	July	216 +	+	—	—	Т

Figure - Top 20 unbiased Kullback-Leibler

Other experiments: Preference for interval length CE



Figure - Correlation between outlier lengths and their scores under Cross Entropy

Other experiments

MDI methods

Other experiments: Preference for interval length uKL



Pearson coef: 38.98%, P-value: 0.000

Figure - Correlation between outlier lengths and their scores under unbiased Kullback-Leibler Entropy

Other experiments: Clustering



Other experiments: Regions



Other experiments

MDI: Complexity & spatial component

- 613,594 Hours
- 21.5 billion grid cells
- Naive approach $\mathcal{O}(N \cdot L(N+L))$ for the Gaussian model and $\mathcal{O}(N^2 \cdot L^2)$ for KDE using Gaussian kernels.
- Cumulative sums $\mathcal{O}(N \cdot L^2)$ for the Gaussian model and $\mathcal{O}(N^2 + N \cdot L^2)$ for the KDE model.
- Closed form solutions for Gaussian model
- Hotteling's T² Squared heuristic.

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MDI: Unbiased	Kullback-Leibler	

- Kullback-Leibler Divergence bias towards smaller intervals
- Unbiased KL Divergence:

$$\mathcal{D}_{U-\mathit{KL}}(\mathit{I},\Omega) := 2 \cdot |\mathit{I}| \cdot \mathcal{D}_{\mathit{KL}}(\mathit{I},\Omega)$$



Figure – Top detections on real time data using both regular and unbiased Kullback-Leibler divergence. Image from Barz et al. (2018) [4]

MDI: Divergence Measures

Cross Entropy

- $H(p,q) = \mathbf{E}_{p}[-\log q]$
- How surprising is a drawn sample
- Can be estimated empirically:

Kullback-Leibler Divergence

- $\blacksquare H(p,q) H(p,p)$
- Can be estimated empirically:

Unbiased Kullback-Leibler

$$\mathcal{D}_{CE}(I, \Omega) = \frac{1}{|I|} \sum_{i \in I} \log p_{\Omega}(\mathbf{X}_i)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{KL}(I,\Omega) = \frac{1}{|I|} \sum_{i \in I} \log p_I(\mathbf{X}_i) - \log p_{\Omega}(\mathbf{X}_i)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{U-KL}(p_I, p_{\Omega}) := 2 \cdot |I| \cdot \mathcal{D}_{KL}(p_I, p_{\Omega})$$

Other experiments

MDI: Hottelings T² Interval Proposal Heuristic

- Multivariate Generalization of Students T test
- Point wise outlier score
- Outlying intervals likely to have high point wise score
- Start and end with high T² gradient
- Threshold value of the gradient proposes potentially outlying intervals

Other experiments

MDI: Context Embedding Results



Figure - Comparison of results of MDI on synthetic data with and without time delay embedding, k=6, t = 2. Image from Barz et al. (2018) [4]

MDI: Partial Autocorrelation



Figure - Partial Autocorrelation plots

MDI: Seasonality

Seasonal Behaviour



Hourly Z score

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

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