

Wind Power Generation Data Forecasting

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Abstract: Wind power generation is highly variable due to fluctuating weather conditions, necessitating accurate forecasting to ensure grid stability and efficient energy management. This study explores the application of the Random Forest algorithm, a robust ensemble learning method, for forecasting wind power generation. Utilizing the algorithm the model is trained using windspeed and power generation data. to predict future power output. The algorithm's ability to handle non-linear relationships and interactions among multiple variables enhances its predictive accuracy. Results indicate that the Random Forest model outperforms traditional forecasting methods, providing more reliable and precise predictions, which are crucial for optimizing wind energy integration into the power grid.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The power of wind is a rapidly growing source of renewable energy, offering a sustainable alternative to fossil fuels. However, the inherent variability of wind speed presents significant challenges for integrating wind energy into the power grid. Precise prediction of wind energy generation is necessary for grid stability, efficient energy management, and minimizing the reliance on backup power sources. Traditional forecasting methods often struggle with the complex, non-linear nature of wind patterns. This algorithm is a powerful ensemble learning technique, offers a promising solution. By leveraging historical wind speed and power generation data, Random Forest can capture intricate patterns and interactions, leading to improved prediction accuracy. This study investigates the efficacy of Random Forest in forecasting wind power generation, aiming to enhance the reliability of wind energy contributions to the power grid.

1.1 PROBLEM STATEMENT

This study focuses on the difficulty of forecasting the production of wind electricity accurately, given the unpredictable nature of wind speeds and weather patterns. Current forecasting methods often fail to capture the complex, non-linear relationships within wind power data, leading to unreliable predictions. This research aims to analyze the effectiveness of the algorithm in improving forecasting accuracy, thus, enhancing grid stability and energy management for better integration of transforming wind energy into electrical energy grid.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

S. Fang and H.-D. Chiang propose a Bayesian clustering-based deep learning model for short-term wind speed forecasting. It enhances prediction accuracy by clustering LSTM-extracted features using Dirichlet mixture modeling and dynamic time warping. The ensemble model integrates global and local patterns, proving effective across various wind regimes and locations [1].

Wenbin Wu and Mugen Peng propose a data mining method that uses bagging neural networks and K-means clustering to anticipate wind power. They use Pearson correlation for distance to group historical data according to power and weather conditions. Their method reduces complexity and enhances accuracy, which is validated in practical wind farms [2].

Cao, Q., Ewing, B.T., and Thompson, M.A. aim to forecast wind speed, considering factors like temperature, wind direction, humidity, precipitation, and air pressure. They propose criteria for optimizing hidden layer neuron units in neural networks, introducing a hybrid approach for improved wind speed prediction [3].

C.-Y. Zhang, C. L. P. Chen, M. Gan, and L. Chen introduced a dual strategy for multiperiod- projecting wind speed trends. It combines variance analysis, A layered approach to noise filtering combined with an ensemble model using ELMs predictors, evaluated on wind farm data. The model outperforms single methods like SDAE-ELM and ELMAN, enhancing accuracy with robustness and stability [4].

A. S. Qureshi et.al, propose a system using a deep neural network ensemble method and transfer learning. Their DNN-MRT model utilizes transfer learning to fine-tune base regressors trained on one wind farm for use on others, saving time and improving efficiency [5].

III. METHODOLOGY

3.1 Existing Method

Traditional forecasting methods, such as the (ARIMA) model, have been widely used for predicting wind power generation. These methods rely on linear assumptions and time-series data, which often fail to capture the complex, non-linear relationships inherent in wind power data. Consequently, the accuracy of predictions made by these traditional models can be limited, leading to unreliable forecasts and challenges in maintaining grid stability and efficient energy management.

3.2 Proposed Method

This study proposes the use of the algorithm is a robust ensemble learning method, for forecasting wind power generation. The algorithm is trained using historical Wind flow rate and power output data, allowing it to identify intricate patterns and interactions among multiple variables. The algorithm's ability to handle non-linear relationships enhances its predictive accuracy compared to traditional methods. By leveraging the strengths of Random Forest, the proposed method aims to provide more reliable and precise predictions, thereby improving grid stability and optimizing the inclusion of wind energy in power systems grid.

The proposed methodology involves the following steps:

- **Data Collection:** Historical wind speed and power generation data are gathered from relevant sources.
- **Data Preprocessing:** The collected data are cleaned and normalized to ensure consistency and accuracy.
- **Model Training:** The Random Forest algorithm is applied to the pre-processed data to train the model.
- **Model Evaluation:** The trained model is evaluated using metrics such as Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) to assess its predictive performance.
- **Comparison with Traditional Methods:** The performance of the Random Forest model is compared to that of traditional forecasting methods to highlight its advantages in accuracy and reliability.

This comprehensive approach aims to address the limitations of existing methods and demonstrate the effectiveness of Random Forest in the context of wind power generation forecasting

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

ARIMA Model Algorithm:

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.tsa.seasonal import seasonal_decompose
airline = pd.read_csv('AirPassengers.csv', index_col='Month', parse_dates=True)
airline.head()
result = seasonal_decompose(airline['# Passengers'], model='multiplicative')
result.plot()
```

Explanation: The analysis employed a classical time series decomposition technique, specifically the seasonal decomposition of time series by Loess (STL). This method separates a time series into three distinct components: trend, seasonality, and remainder. The trend component captures the long-term progression of the data, seasonality isolates periodic fluctuations, and the remainder encompasses any remaining variation after accounting for trend and seasonality.

This decomposition was applied to the "AirPassengers" dataset, a well-established benchmark representing monthly totals of international airline passengers from 1949 to 1960. The dataset was first imported using the Pandas library, with the 'Month' column designated as the index and parsed as the date and Time objects. Subsequently, the seasonal decompose function from the stats models, library was employed to perform the decomposition,utilizing a multiplicative model to account for the interaction between the components. The resulting decomposition was visually represented using the plot method, revealing the distinct patterns within the data. This analysis serves as a foundational step for further investigation, potentially informing forecasting models or elucidating the underlying dynamics of the observed trends.

Figure 1 illustrates a system for windmill power forecasting. A USER interacts with the system by registering (REGISTER) and logging in (LOGIN) using credentials. The system offers additional features like BLOGS and CONTACT for user engagement. Upon login, the user accesses the DATALOADER to input relevant data and the PLANNING module to configure forecast parameters. The FORECAST module, utilizing weather data, generates a POWER estimate. This streamlined process allows users to access forecasts based on input data,enhancing decision-making in windmill power management.

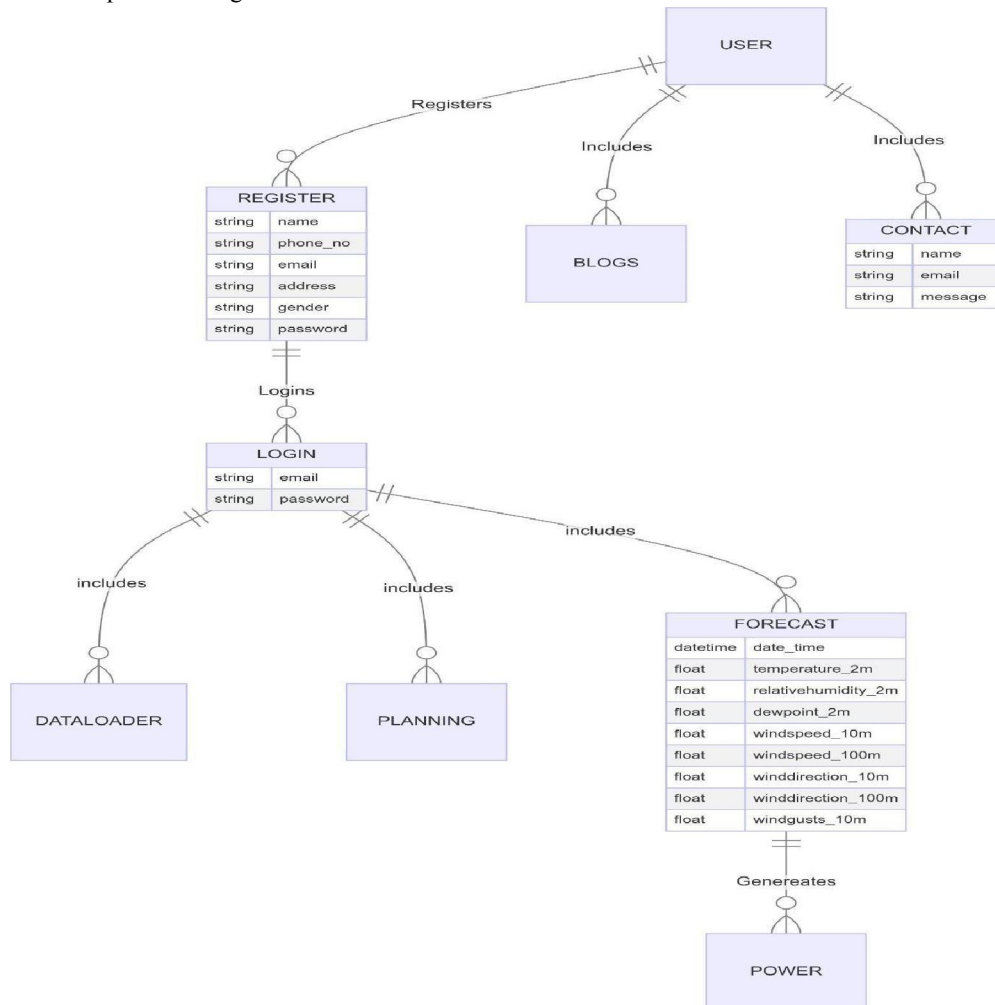


Figure 1

V. CONCLUSION

The study's findings demonstrate that, conversely to other approaches, the Random Forest algorithm greatly improves the forecast accuracy in the field of wind energy production. More accurate and consistent predictions are produced by the model since non-linear correlations and interactions within the data are well captured. To refine the integration of utilizing wind for power production system and provide improved stability and effective energy management, forecasting accuracy must be improved. As a result, the algorithm offers a useful tool to achieve better results and dependability of renewable energy.

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