

Prediction of Water Quality Index of Pavna River using ANN Model

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Abstract - Rapid industrialization and urbanization witnessed the deterioration of most of the river bodies. Interpretation of complex water quality data is difficult to understand also it is difficult to communicate during decision making process. Assembling the various parameters of the water quality data into one single number is essential in for easy interpretation of data. The present study is concentrated on the prediction of WQI using ANN model. Pavna river originates south of Lonavala from western ghats and flows a total of nearly 60Km to meet the Mula river in Pune. Pavna river flows through Pune city covering Pimpri Chinchwad Area. Pimpri –Chinchwad area is developing area and due to industrialization and high population growth the river is getting polluted. The data for the prediction of water quality index were collected from the water treatment Plant, Nigidi –sector 21. The collected data were for the point Ravet Intake.(2001-2014)(monthly). In the present study it is found that the modular neural network give better results as compared to the radial basis function neural network. R value for the modular neural net work is 0.99 and that for radial basis function is 0.98.

Key words—WQI, Artificial neural network, radial basis neural network, modular neural network

1. INTRODUCTION :-

Water is the prime requirement for the existence of life and thus it has been man's endeavour for the immemorial to utilize the available resources. The growing population exerts a great pressure on this resource. The increased population growth and ill planned exploitation of the water resources created a situation, where the very survival of man has become endangered[1].

Interpretation of complex water quality data is difficult to understand. Also it is difficult to communicate during decision making process. Assembling the various parameters of the water quality data into one single number is essential for decision making purpose. The purpose of an index is to transform the large quantity of data into information that is easily understandable by the general public. Water quality index exhibits the overall water quality at a specific location and specific time based on several water quality parameters. The index result represents the level of water quality in a

given water basin, such as lake, river or stream.[2] WQI is a set of standards used to measure changes in water quality in a particular river reach over time and make comparisons from different reaches of a river. A WQI also allows for comparisons to be made between different rivers. This index allows for a general analysis of water quality. It also helps for the analysis of water many levels that affect a stream's ability to host life and to check whether the overall quality of water bodies poses any potential threat to various uses of water. A computer programming using MATLAB had been used for training and testing of the ANN .After a number of training trials ,the best neural network model was generated. The maximum number of epochs was chosen by a trial and error approach. Trial and error method was used to find the most suitable network model for the WQI analysis using the different ten parameters. The result of WQI was valid in respect of experimental and ANN model.

In recent years the trend has been to use statistical method instead of traditional and domestic methods to forecasting WQI. Lee Yoot Khan et al conclude that the modular neural network was found to be the most suitable model for the termination of the WQI[2]. A A Mansur et al predicted the dissolved oxygen in Surma river using fed forward neural network and radial basis function neural network[3]. Both the methods provided better results. Sundarambal et al concluded that the ANN model can be used even for sea water quality forecasting[4]. In this study the modular neural network and radial basis function models of ANN are used to forecast the WQI of pavna river at ravet intake.

2. STUDY AREA

The Pavna river in Pune is selected as the study area for ANN application. Pavna river originates south of Lonavala from western ghats and flows a total of nearly 60Km to meet the Mula river in Pune. Pavna river flows through Pune city covering Pimpri Chinchwad Area. Pimpri –Chinchwad area is developing area and due to industrialization and high population growth in these area the river is getting polluted. The study area is Ravet intake from where water is collected and treated in water treatment plant in Nigidi.

3. MATERIALS AND METHODOLOGY

There are different methods for the determination of water quality Index. In this particular study the methods used are given below:

1. Weightage Rating method
2. Prediction of WQI by using ANN

3.1 Weightage Rating Method:

Factors which have higher permissible limits are less harmful because they can harm quality of river water when they are present in very high quantity. So weightage of factor has an inverse relationship with its permissible limits.

$$\text{Therefore } W_i \propto (1/S_n) \text{ Or } \quad (1)$$

$$W_i = K/S_n$$

Where, K = constant of proportionality

W_i = unit weight of all chemical factor

V_s or S_n = Standard value of i^{th} parameter

$$\text{Values of K were calculated as: } K = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^7 1/V_s}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^7 \frac{1}{S_i} = \left(\frac{1}{S_{iPH}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(EC)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(TDS)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(DO)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(nitrates)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(Alkalinity)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(Total\ Hardness)}}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(Calcium)}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{S_{i(calcium)}}\right) \quad (2)$$

The weightage of all the factors were calculated on the basis of the above equation.

$$WQI = \sum W_i \times Q_i / \sum W_i \quad (3)$$

$$W_i \times Q_i = W_i(pH) \times Q_i(pH) + W_i(EC) \times Q_i(EC) + W_i(TDS) \times Q_i(TDS) + W_i(DO) \times Q_i(DO) + \dots + W_i(Calcium) \times Q_i(Calcium) \quad (4)$$

$$Q_i = 100[(V_a - V_i)/(V_s - V_i)] \quad (5)$$

= Rating scale

V_a = average measured values of water sample at study area.

V_i = standard value of i^{th} parameter

V_s = ideal value for pure water (0 for all parameters except pH and DO)

$\sum W_i$ - total unit weight of all chemical factors. Using the water quality index, all the samples were categorized into the following five classes: excellent (0 - 25), good (26 - 50), moderately polluted (51 - 75), severely polluted (76-100) and unfit for human consumption (above 100) based on their suitability.[5]

Table 1 the permissible values of various pollutants for drinking water (expressed in mg/l except ph and ec recommended by indian standards and cpcb standard[2])

SI No	Parameters	CPCB/IS	IS (10500)
1	PH	6.5-8.5	6.5-8.5
2	EC	<300**	---
3	Turbidity	-	5
4	TDS	<500	<500
5	Total Alkalinity	200	200
6	Total hardness	300	300
7	DO	6	-
8	Chloride	250	250
9	Nitrate	20	45
10	Calcium	75	75

3.2 Pre-processing of data

At the initial stages of the project, real environmental data on the condition of Pavana river over a period of time 10 years beginning from 2001 to 2014 were acquired from water treatment plant sector 21 Nigidi, Pune. These make a total of 97. Out of these data 70 data are set for training and remaining 27 data are set for testing. Trial and error method is tried for the different combinations of the data.

3.3 Training data

The network architecture for WQI consists of ten input nodes and one output node. The parameters of choices as input must have an influence on the desired output. For the current project the ten water pollution parameters are selected to be as input nodes. These input and output nodes are used to produce ANN model. The input variables are DO concentration, concentration of Nitrates, concentration of Calcium, Total Suspended Solids concentration, concentration of Total hardness, concentration of Alkalinity, concentration of Chlorides, Total Hardness concentration. All the eight parameters are measured in milligram per litre. The remaining three parameters are pH, turbidity and conductivity.

4. ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORK

Artificial Neural networks are non-linear mapping structure which is inspired by the observed process of natural networks of biological neurons in brain. It consists of simple computational units called neurons. These are highly inter connected. ANNs become very popular nowadays because of their wide range of applicability and the ease with which it can treat complicated problems.[6]

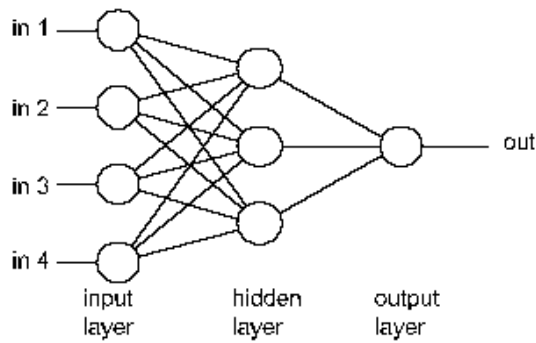


Fig 1 The schematic representation of a artificial neural network

4.1 Development of ANN Model

ANNs are constructed with layers of units, and hence it is termed as multilayer ANNs. The first layer of multilayer ANN is known as input units. In statistical nomenclature input units are known as independent variables. Last layer is called output units. In statistical nomenclature these are known as dependent variables or response variables. All the other units in the model is known as hidden units and it includes hidden layers. There are two function to achieve the behaviour of a unit in a particular layer, which normally are the same for all units within the whole ANN.

Input function and Output function

Input into a node is a weighted sum of outputs from nodes connected to it. The input function is given by the equation:

$$Net_i = \sum W_{ij} X_j + \mu_i \tag{6}$$

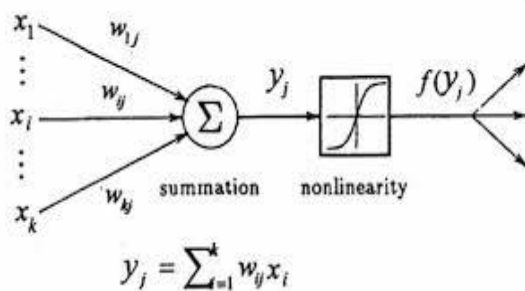


Fig 2 Mathematical representation of neural network

Where Net_i describes the result of the net inputs x_i (weighted by the weights w_{ij}) impacting on unit i . Also w_{ij} are weights connecting j to neuron i , x_j is output from unit j and μ_i is the threshold for neuron i , Threshold term is baseline input into to a node in absence of any other input. If a weight w_{ij} is negative it is termed inhibitory because it decreases net input, otherwise it is called excitatory. Each unit takes its net input and applies an activation function to it. A number of nonlinear functions have been used in the literature as activation function. The threshold function is useful in situation where the input and outputs are binary encoded. most common choice in activation function is sigmoid function [6], such as

$$g(\text{netinput}) = [1 + e^{-\text{netinput}}]^{-1} \tag{7}$$

$$g(\text{netinput}) = \tanh(\text{netinput}) \tag{8}$$

4.2 Modular Neural Network Function

Modular feed forward is the special class of Multilayer perceptron (MLP). modular neural network process their inputs using several parallel MLPs and recombine the results. Less number of training examplers are required and training time will also be reduced due to the smaller number of weights. In this study the transfer function used is TanhAxon and the learning rule is LevenbergMarqua.

4.3 Radial Basis Neural Network Function

Radial basis function network are nonlinear hybrid networks typically containing a single hidden layer of processing elements (PE). It consists of three layers, the input layer, hidden layer and out put layer as shown in fig3. The input variables $x_1, x_2 \dots x_n$ are input assigned layers and passes through the hidden layers. The hidden layers consists of the array of 'n' numbers. Each nodes contains the Gaussian Radial function network. It can have any number of outputs with any activation function. It based on the squared Euclidean distance between the input vector and the weight vector. These are also known as transfer function and are similar to the sigmoid function. In this study transfer function is sigmoid and learning rule is LevenbergMarqua.

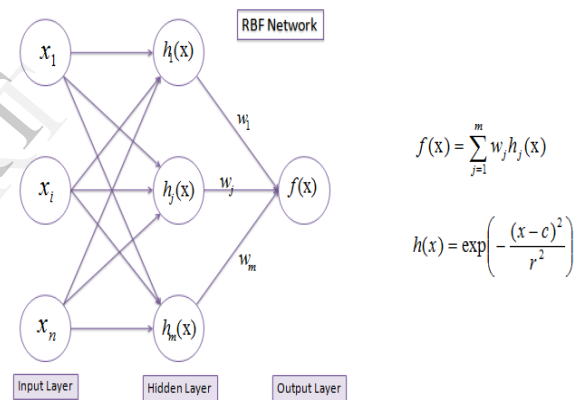


Fig 3 A typical radial basis function

Radial basis function is non linear hybrid networks typically containing a single hidden layer of processing element (PEs). Gaussian function is used as a transfer function, rather than the standard sigmoid functions used by MLPs. Learning rules applied are supervised and unsupervised applied to the output layers. These network tends to learn more faster than MLPs.

5. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The ANN models were trained using number of neurons in the hidden layers and for training and testing. After number of trials by changing the length of data set for training, testing and also changing the number of neurons in the hidden layer the maximum value of R was obtained. The modular neural network consists of TanhAxon as transfer function and LevenbergMarqua as learning rule. In case of radial basis neural network sigmoid function as transfer function and LevenbergMarqua is used as a learning rule. The number of epochs was set to 1000 to 5000 throughout the trial and error process. The number of ANN models were developed using modular neural network and radial basis function. The hidden

layer is taken to be between 1-2. The training and testing data set an epochs were varied as shown in table 2 in order to achieve better accuracy.

Among the selected two ANN models the developed ANN model with Modular neural network model stimulated the WQI of pavana river with great accuracy when compared with RBFNN architecture. The maximum value of R was 0.990, MSE=9.542 and MAE=2.400 as shown in table. In this case the value of R obtained is quite high (0.990) and reliable for short term prediction. The observed and modelled WQI values in whole array using modular neural network and radial basis Function neural network is illustrated in fig 3a and 3b and fig.4a and fig 4b which indicates that the modelling has been quite successful.

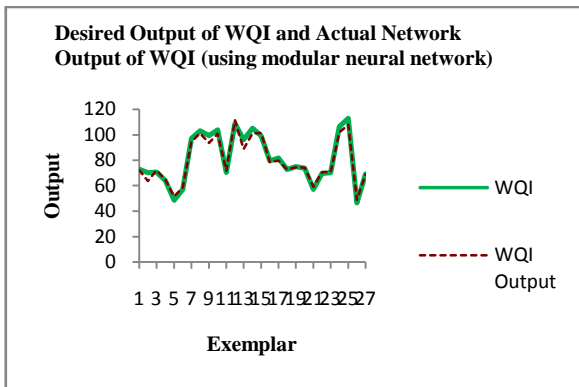


Fig3.a The observed and modelled WQI values in modular neural network

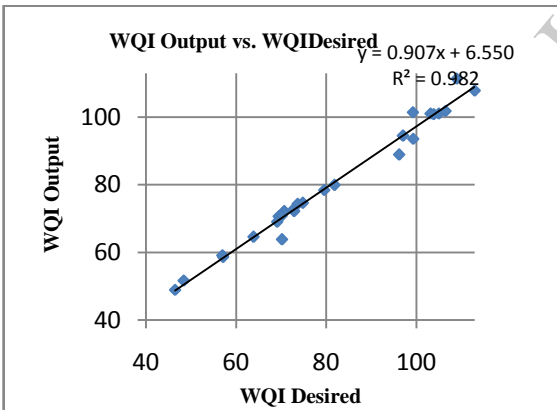


Fig3.b Scatter plot of observed versus modelled WQI for modular neural network

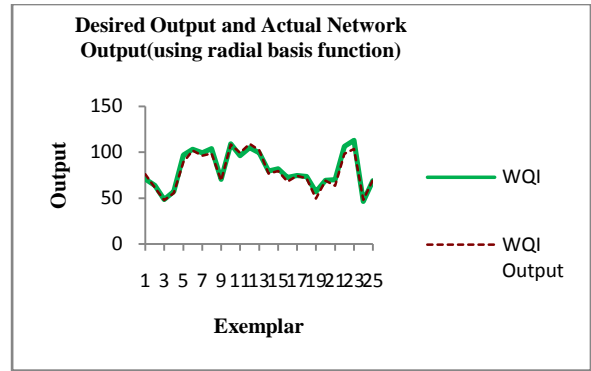


Fig4.a The observed and modelled WQI values in radial basis network

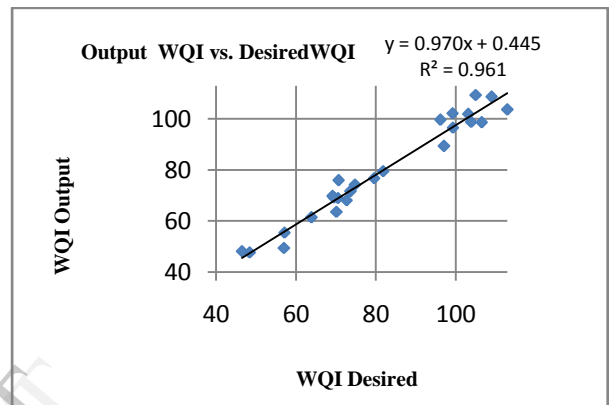


Fig4.b Scatter plot of observed versus modelled WQI for radial basis neural network

TABLE 2 SUMMARY OF ANN MODEL

Mode l	Traini ng data%	Testin g data%	Epoch	R	MSE	MAE
modular neural network	50	50	5000	0.89	109.80	6.47
	60	40	1000	0.92	93.50	5.84
	50	50	1000	0.96	37.28	3.85
	60	40	5000	0.97	57.73	5.08
	68	32	1000	0.99	9.54	2.40
	70	30	5000	0.99	13.47	2.61
radial basis function	70	30	1000	0.94	50.23	5.56
	70	30	2000	0.98	18.49	3.42

The modular basis function with all input parameters are found to be the most appropriate model for WQI prediction with high correlation co-efficient of 0.990 and a mean square error (MSE) value of 9.542 and that for RBFNN is found to be 0.980 and 18.490 respectively.

6. CONCLUSION

In this model ANN models were developed to predict the WQI in Pavna river at Ravet intake. The proposed model shows efficiency in forecasting the WQI in water bodies. The result showed that the modular network model prepared by different ten water quality parameter provided high R(0.990) value. It has been observed that the WQI of Pavna river can be predicted using both with acceptable accuracy using Modular Neural Network as well as Radial basis function network models.

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