



PERFORMANCE COMPARISON OF ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORK TRAINING ALGORITHMS FOR NOISE LEVEL PREDICTION IN INDUSTRIAL ZONE OF LUCKNOW

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Abstract

Long-term exposure to high noise levels causes lifelong hearing loss, stress, heart disease, and high blood pressure. For this study, we took into account climatic factors that have a negative impact on noise levels and endanger human life. In this study, a comparison of the three artificial neural network training methods, Bayesian Regularization, Scale Conjugate Gradient, and Levenberg-Marquardt, was conducted in order to determine the optimal training strategy for noise level prediction in Lucknow's Industrial Zone. The study reveals that Levenberg-Marquardt outperforms the other training algorithm for the noise level prediction in terms of high value of R^2 and low values of root mean squared error (RMSE), mean squared error (MSE), mean absolute error (MAE) and mean absolute percentage error (MAPE).

1. Introduction

Noise is defined as unwanted sound that causes aggravation, disrupts mental and bodily peace, and has negative psychological impacts on a person (Belojevic et al. [3]). Noise pollution has increased dramatically as a result of growing urbanisation, industrialisation, and environmental deterioration. As a result, predicting noise levels is critical in determining the true state of the

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situation caused by noise disturbances. Models for noise prediction are useful for urban planning, environmental management, and the creation of a healthy, noise-free environment. As a result, many academics are always on the lookout for approaches that are useful in properly estimating noise levels. As a result, it is critical to develop technologies that can be used to properly estimate noise pollution levels in metropolitan areas. Noise pollution is becoming more prevalent in metropolitan areas, posing a threat to quality of life and disrupting the working environment's calm.

Artificial neural networks (ANNs) are computational approaches and mathematical models that fall under the category of machine learning (Kelleher et al. [14]) and are widely used for prediction in the modern era. The advantages of using an ANN approach over traditional approaches are that they are faster and more reliable for multi-variable, non-linear, and complex computations. The Applications of ANN are very wide and as the time will go it will also go on very high demand because it gives a lot of benefits over a normal network that's why it is embedded. There are many applications of ANN in the real life such as image processing, speech processing, chat box for queries, natural language processing etc.

Many researchers have considered fuzzy soft computing techniques (Prakash et al. [23], Wang et al. [33], Rahman et al. [27], Singh et al. [29]), multiple regression techniques (Bhavyashree et al. [4], Rana et al. [25], Baffoe et al. [5] Dasarathy et al., [9]), genetic algorithm (Chen et al. [7], Refonaa et al. [24]), ARIMA technique (Garg et al. [11], Halliyavar et al. [13]) for the prediction purposes. The predictive strength of ANN technique is found to be more superior than other predictive models (Mishra et al. [18], Alsaawy et al. [1], Asogwa et al. [2], Ranpise et al. [28], Ramakrishna et al. [26], Zhang et al. [35]).

The main aim of the present work is to predict the noise levels in industrial zone of Lucknow by using LM, BR and SCG neural network training algorithm. The use of the ANN approach to anticipate noise levels has attracted considerable attention in recent years, and it has a wide range of applications in many real-world challenges. As a result, our research can assist policymakers in making more informed decisions about noise management in order to preserve low noise exposures and protect human health and well-being.

2. Materials and Methods

2.1 Study Area

The present study has been carried out considering Lucknow's Industrial Zone-Talkatora. Lucknow is situated on the north western bank of Gomti River, is not only the largest but also the capital city of Uttar Pradesh (Figure 1). This city is developing very fast due to rapid increase in urbanization, industrialization and population growth.

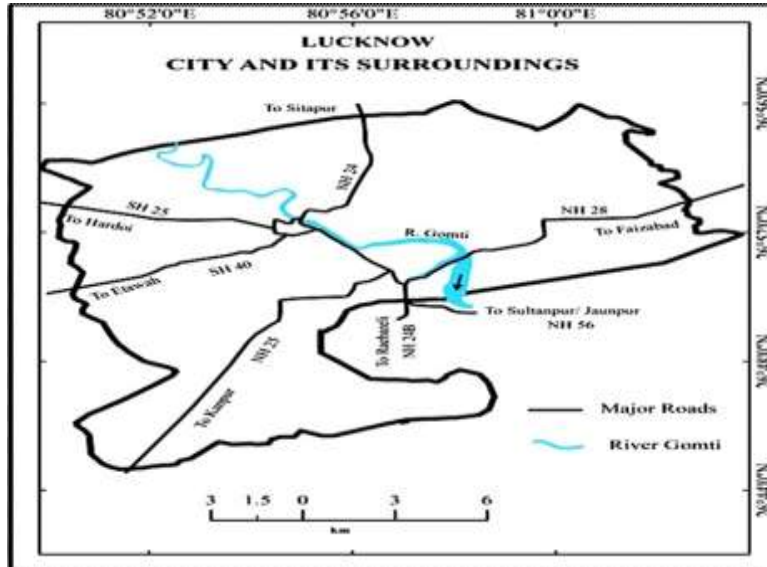


Figure 1. Location of Study Area.

2.2 Source of Data

The time series data of noise level (day and night time) was acquired for the period 2011-12 to 2015-16 from the www.indiastat.com and Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board. This study utilised meteorological data on weather factors such as maximum temperature (in °C), minimum temperature (in °C), relative humidity (in percent at 07 hrs), relative humidity (in percent at 14 hrs), wind speed (in km/hr), rainfall (in mm), and sunshine duration (hr/day) which were collected from the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD), Lucknow. The data analysis was carried out with the help of the MATLAB software and MS-EXCEL.

2.3 Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)

Artificial Neural Networks are a special type of machine learning algorithms that are modelled after the human brain. That is, just like how the neurons in our nervous system are able to learn from the past data, similarly, the ANN is able to learn from the data and provide responses in the form of predictions or classifications. An artificial neural network (ANN) is a data processing system made up of non-linear, closely coupled processing components called neurons.

A single processing unit or neuron is shown in (Figure 2) [Dagli [8]; Fausett, [10], Haykin, [12].

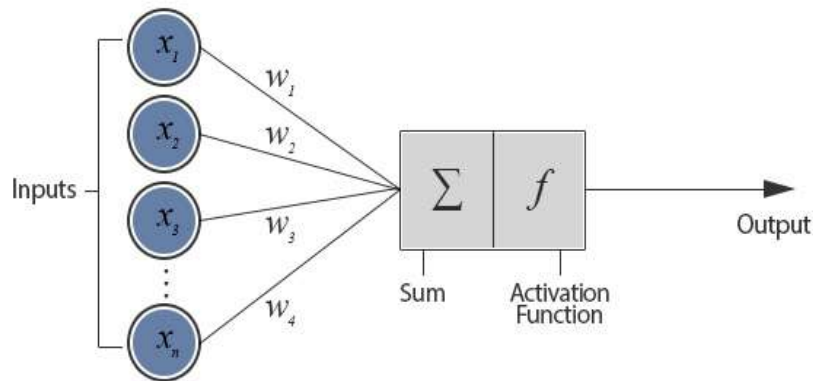


Figure 2. Architecture of Artificial Neural Network.

The general model of ANN (Figure 2), the net input can be calculated as follows:

$$y_m = x_1 \cdot w_1 + x_2 \cdot w_2 + x_3 \cdot w_3 + \dots + x_n \cdot w_n. \quad (1)$$

i.e., net inputs

$$y_m = \sum_1^n X \cdot W; \text{ where } X = x_i \text{ and } W = w_i \quad (2)$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

The output can calculate by applying transfer function over the net input i.e.

$$Y = F(y_m) \quad (3)$$

Output = function net input calculated.

The most prevalent type of feed-forward network is the multilayer perceptron (MLP), which maps a set of suitable inputs to a set of suitable outputs. MLP is made up of three layers: an input layer that is used to feed data into the ANN model, a hidden layer that processes the data, and an output layer that is used to generate the best possible output from the ANN model as illustrated in (Figure 3).

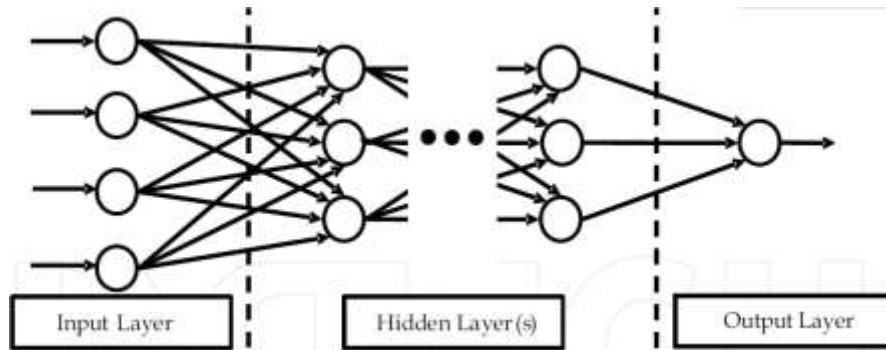


Figure 3. A Multi-layered perceptron (MLP) network.

2.4 Prediction of day time and night time noise levels using ANN model

The artificial neural network (ANN) is a huge parallel-distributed information processing system with certain performance characteristics. The 72 datasets were grouped into three categories: training, validation, and testing. Different network configurations with different numbers of hidden neurons are trained and their performance is tested using the GUI in the neural network toolbox in MATLAB. There are 50 training samples, 11 validation samples, and 11 testing samples in all. Three layers of ANN are used in this investigation (Figure 4),

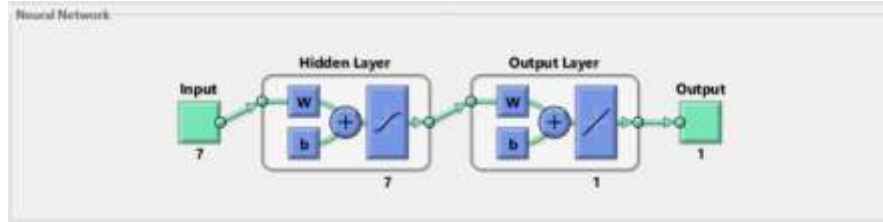


Figure 4. Abbreviated view of ANN model in MATLAB window.

where the first layer is input layer (7) which is triggered using the sigmoid activation function whereas the second layer is hidden layer (7) and the third layer is output layer (1) which is triggered using activation function.

2.5 Training Algorithm

The network is trained using Levenberg-Marquardt (LM), Bayesian Regularization (BR) and Scale Conjugate Gradient (SCG) algorithm.

(a) Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm. Kenneth Levenberg and Donald Marquardt created this algorithm. This algorithm is conventionally known as damped least square methods which is used for solving non-linear least square curve fitting problems (Umar et al. [31], Nguyen et al. [21]). It is a hybrid of the Gradient Descent method and the Gauss-Newton method for minimization. The sum of squared errors is minimised in the gradient descent approach by updating the parameters in the steepest-descent direction. The sum of squared errors is decreased in the Gauss-Newton approach by assuming that the least square's function is locally quadratic in the parameters and finding the minimum of this quadratic. When the parameters are far from their optimal value, the Levenberg-Marquardt technique behaves more like a gradient-descent method, and when the parameters are close to their optimal value, it behaves more like the Gauss-Newton method (Litta et al. [17], Kayri [15]). It's the most extensively used optimization algorithm, and the results it produces are more reliable and precise (Nguyen et al. [21]).

(b) Bayesian Regularization Algorithm. The Thomas Bayes Theorem was used to create this method. This iterative training approach identifies the best combination of square errors and weights to build the neural network's weight parameters by minimising a linear combination of square errors and weights (Kayri [15]). It also modifies the linear combination,

resulting in a network with high generalisation properties (Setiaji et al. [30]). It's a probabilistic network that uses posterior inferences to make decisions. The weights are updated using the greatest likelihood estimator. During the training phase, sample data is fed into the network, and weights are adjusted to get a closer match to the desired output (Usman et al. [32]). This algorithm is helpful in dealing with the problem of overfitting. The Bayesian regularisation method required longer to train than other neural network algorithms, but it has been widely employed to handle many challenging issues (Krishnasree et al. [16]).

(c) Scale Conjugate Gradient Algorithm. The SCG algorithm was developed by (Moller, [19]). It is a commonly used supervised learning algorithm in feed forward neural network. It belongs to the class of conjugate gradient methods. It is the widely accepted iterative algorithm which are regularly used in solving critical problems of linear equations (Othman et al., [22]). The major utility of SCG algorithm is that it avoids time consuming line search at each iteration which saves number of computations at each iteration (Xue et al. [34], Bulut et al. [6]). This algorithm utilises small amount of memory and does not include user dependent parameters, hence it is suitable for large scale problems and helpful for overcoming the problem of deciding a suitable step size.

3. Results and Discussion

In this section, a comparison of the predictive superiority of the Levenberg-Marquardt (LM), Bayesian Regularization (BR), and Scale Conjugate Gradient (SCG) neural network training algorithms has been carried out for the prediction of day-time and night-time noise levels in Lucknow's Industrial zone, as shown in tables 1 and 2.

Table 1. Comparison of LM, BR, SCG on the basis of model evaluation criteria for day-time noise level.

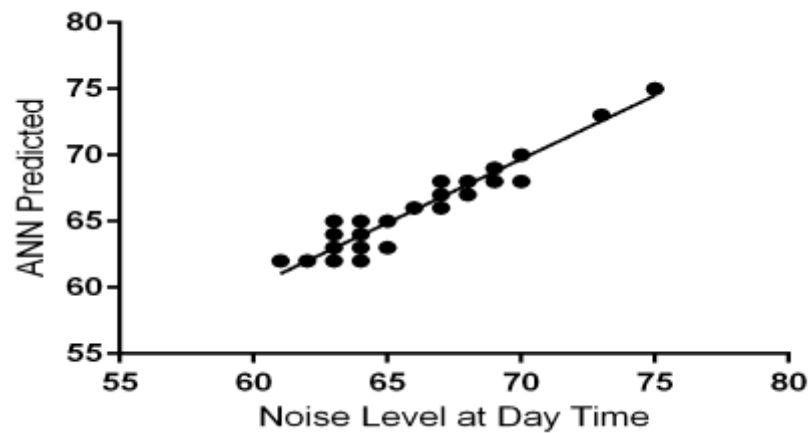
Model evaluation criteria	Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm (LM)	Bayesian-Regularisation Algorithm (BR)	Scale Conjugate Gradient Algorithm (SCG)
R2	0.9149	0.8422	0.9054

MSE	0.7598	3.2747	1.5942
RMSE	0.8716	1.8096	1.2626
MAE	0.6397	1.1545	0.9717
MAPE	0.0099	0.0174	0.0149

Table 2. Comparison of LM, BR, SCG on the basis of model evaluation criteria for night time noise level.

Model evaluation criteria	Levenberg-Marquardt Algorithm (LM)	Bayesian-Regularisation Algorithm (BR)	Scale Conjugate Gradient Algorithm (SCG)
R^2	0.8679	0.8200	0.7078
MSE	2.0216	2.8384	4.8572
RMSE	1.4218	1.6847	2.2039
MAE	0.9483	0.9716	1.5549
MAPE	0.0161	0.0169	0.0263

Graphical Representation. In this section, we have shown the results graphically in order to clearly visualize the outcomes.



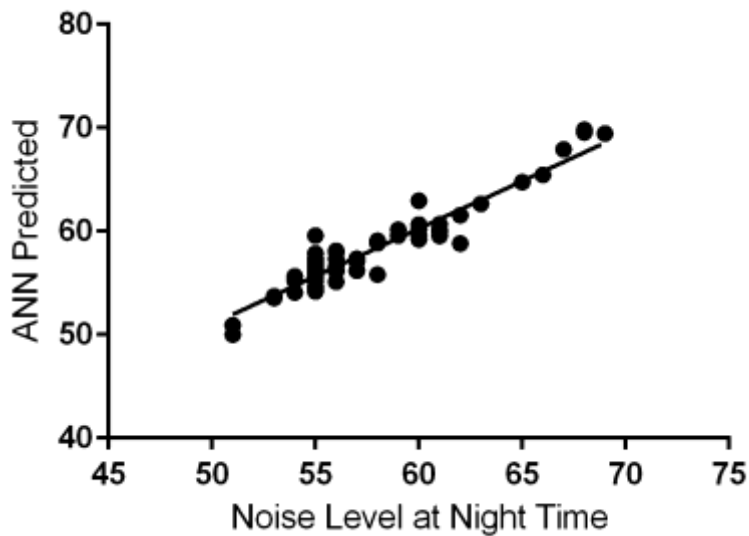


Figure 5. Actual and Predicted Noise level of day and night time using LM-ANN.

There exists a linear variation between actual and predicted noise levels which is observed in Figure 5. Hence it is proved that predictive noise level of day time and night time is directly proportional to actual noise level of day and night time.

4. Conclusion

The main goal of this research is to predict the day-time and night time noise level in Lucknow's industrial zone using multiple neural network techniques such as Levenberg-Marquardt (LM), Bayesian Regularization (BR) and Scale Conjugate Gradient (SCG) algorithm. The predictive performance of these algorithms was compared by maximum value of R^2 and minimum values of MSE, RMSE, MAE and MAPE. It was found that predictions done using LM-ANN algorithm are more robust and accurate than the other training algorithms. Hence, this work provides the basis for significance level of each metrological parameter contributing to the prediction of the noise level in industrial zone of Lucknow.

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