MIDTERM PROGRESS PRESENTATION

Implementing EQTransformer and creating a simpler model for earthquake detection in Indian subcontinent

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Project Overview

The proposed project was as follows:

- Implementing the EQTransformer package on labelled international data and replicating its claimed results.
- Testing the pre-trained model's performance on an Indian dataset of in-plate cluster earthquakes.
- Iuning the model's hyper-parameters to improve its performance for the Indian dataset.
- Training a new classification model, where the training data is optimized for Indian data using domain knowledge and trying to approach EQT's efficiency for the Indian subcontinent.

Note: Our MidSem goals included the first three points, along with the relevant literature review.

Midsemester Progress

Extensive literature review completed, focused on two aspects:

- Domain knowledge: Learning the principal *features* used for the manual annotation of seismic waveforms.
- EQTransformer: Learning the logic behind the codes in the EQT package.
- Numerous (yes, numerous et al.) dependency clashes resolved in the installation of the EQTransformer package.
- EQTransformer applied successfully on international data on the Lingaraj system, positive results successfully replicated.
- We are in the process of obtaining the novel labelled Indian dataset on the Palghar cluster in-plate earthquakes from Dr. Pathikrit's Lab, at the School of Earth and Planetary Sciences, NISER.

Obtained Results



- This open-source data was obtained from B921 seismic station in California, (collected on *September 9*, 2019).
- The adjoining data is a 60-second strip of the entire data where the EQT model has been implemented.
- The cyan and magenta lines show the times of arrival of the P and S waves, respectively.
- The bottom-most graph shows the probability of arrival against time, i.e. the confidence the model has in its prediction.

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Future Plans

- Testing the efficiency of the trained EQT model on the obtained Indian cluster earthquake data.
- Tuning the hyper-parameters to improve efficiency for the Indian data. (We may need to over-sample, if needed, due to scarcity of Indian data points).
- Considering it as the golden standard, developing another classification-based model and trying to approach the efficiency of the optimized EQT, especially for the Indian (here, Palghar, Maharashtra) context.

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