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### **Abstract**

Electricity demand patterns have many variables related to uncertainty behaviour such as gross domestic product, population, import and export. The characteristics of these variables lead to two problems in forecasting the electricity demand. The first problem is the fitness evaluation in the electricity demand forecasting model in which more than one variable are included which leads to increase the sum of squared deviations. The second problem is the use of a single algorithm that failed to solve local optima. These problems resulted in estimation errors and high computational cost. Hybrid genetic algorithm (GA) and Nelder-Mead local search model has been used to minimize demand estimation errors. However, hybrid GA and Nelder-Mead local search failed to reach the global optimum solution and involve high number of iteration. Hence, an electricity demand forecasting model that reflects the characteristics of electricity demand has been developed in this research. The model is known as the hybrid Real-Value GA and Extended Nelder-Mead (RVGA-ENM). The GA has been enhanced to accept real value while the Nelder-Mead local search is extended to assist in overcoming the local optima problem. The actual electricity demand data of Turkey and Indonesia were used in the experiments to evaluate the performance of the proposed model. Results of the proposed model were compared to the hybrid GA and Nelder-Mead local search, Real Code Genetic Algorithm and Particle Swarm Optimisation. The findings indicate that the proposed model produced higher accuracy for electricity demand estimation. The proposed RVGA-ENM model can be used to assist decision-makers in forecasting electricity demand.

**Keywords**: Genetic algorithm, Electricity demand forecasting, Nelder-Mead local search, Local optimal.

### Abstrak

Corak permintaan elektrik mempunyai banyak pembolehubah yang berkaitan dengan tingkah laku tidak menentu seperti keluaran dalam negara kasar, penduduk, import dan eksport. Ciri pembolehubah ini membawa kepada dua masalah dalam ramalan permintaan elektrik. Masalah pertama ialah penilaian kecergasan dalam model ramalan permintaan elektrik di mana lebih daripada satu pembolehubah yang dimasukkan yang membawa kepada peningkatan jumlah sisihan kuasa dua. Masalah kedua ialah penggunaan algoritma tunggal yang gagal menyelesaikan optima setempat. Masalah ini mengakibatkan kesilapan anggaran dan kos pengkomputeran tinggi. Model hibrid algoritma genetik (GA) dan pencarian setempat Nelder-Mead telah digunakan untuk mengurangkan kesilapan anggaran permintaan. Walau bagaimanapun, hibrid GA dan pencarian setempat Nelder-Mead gagal mencapai penyelesaian optimum global dan melibatkan jumlah lelaran yang tinggi. Oleh itu, satu model ramalan permintaan elektrik yang menggambarkan ciri permintaan elektrik telah dibangunkan dalam kajian ini. Model ini dikenali sebagai hibrid GA Nelder-Mead yang diperluaskan (RVGA-ENM). GA telah bernilai real dan dipertingkatkan untuk menerima nilai real manakala pencarian setempat Nelder-Mead telah diperluaskan untuk membantu dalam mengatasi masalah optima setempat. Data sebenar permintaan elektrik Turki dan Indonesia telah digunakan dalam eksperimen untuk menilai prestasi model yang dicadangkan. Keputusan model yang dicadangkan dibandingkan dengan keputusan model hibrid GA dan pencarian setempat Nelder-Mead, algoritma genetik kod real dan pengoptimuman zarah swarm. Dapatan kajian menunjukkan bahawa model yang dicadangkan menghasilkan ketepatan anggaran yang lebih tinggi untuk permintaan bekalan elektrik. Model RVGA-ENM yang dicadangkan boleh digunakan untuk membantu pembuat keputusan dalam ramalan permintaan bekalan elektrik.

**Kata kunci**: Algoritma genetik, Ramalan permintaan elektrik, Pencarian setempat *Nelder-Mead*, Optimal setempat.

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### **List of Abbreviations**

ABE Analogy based estimation

AI Artificial intelligence

AIC Akaike information criterion

ANN Artificial neural network

ANFIS Artificial neural network with fuzzy inference system

CHA Continuous hybrid algorithm

DC Distribution-centers

DD Degree days

DE Differential evolution

DNA Deoxyribonucleic acid

DOA Direction-of-arrival

EA Evolutionary algorithm

EDA Estimation of distribution algorithm

EDF Electricity demand forecasting

EDP Electricity demand pattern

EDPF Electricity demand pattern forecasting

EE Estimation error

EGA Enhanced genetic algorithm

EKPF Extended Kalman particle filter

EM Expectation maximization

GAED Genetic algorithm electricity demand

GA-EKPF Genetic particle filter

GDP Gross domestic product

GP Genetic programming

HGA Hybrid genetic algorithm

HGAED Hybrid genetic algorithm electricity demand

ENM Extended Nelder Mead

KF Kalman filter

LO Local optimality

LS Least square

LTEDF Long-term electricity demand forecasting

MAE Mean absolute error

MAI Multiple access interference

MAPE Mean absolute percentage error

MC-CDMA Multi-carrier code-division multiple access

ME Mean error

MSE Mean squared error

MTOE Million ton oil equivalent

MTEDF Medium-term electricity demand forecasting

NP Non-deterministic polynomial

OLS Ordinary least squares

PWM Pulse width modulation

RBFNN Radial basis function neural network

EDP Electricity demand pattern

RNN Recurrent neural nets

RSS Residual sum of squares

RVGA Real-value genetic algorithm

RVGA-ENM Real-value genetic algorithm - extended Nelder Mead

SA Simulated annealing

SAA Sample average approximation

SC Schwarz Criteria

SDE Standard deviation of error

SDMA Spatial division multiple access

SS Simplex search

STLF Short-term load forecasting

STEDF Short-term electricity demand forecasting

SVM Support vector machine

SVR Support vector regression

TDE Time delay estimation

TS Tabu search

TSP Traveling salesman problem

## CHAPTER ONE INTRODUCTION

Sound and realistic electricity demand forecasting (EDF) is essential to good planning in any industry. One of the most important things in the planning of electricity demand in the utility industry is electricity demand forecasting that is more realistic. This means that the development of the electricity demand forecasts is essential in the planning of new resources for the system to meet the future demand. The importance of electricity demand forecasting is becoming clear to best demand utilities as they must sustain the demand expectations. However, the impossibility of developing truly accurate demand forecasts must be recognised. Results obtained from the electricity demand forecasting process are used in areas such as planning and operation (EL-Naggar & AL-Rumaih, 2005; Ghods & Kalantar, 2008; Ghods & Kalantar, 2011).

The soundness of a method for electricity demand forecasting performances should not be assessed only in a single case over the short term but using its record of success or failure over the long term. The usefulness of an electricity demand forecasting method should focus on issues such as the relationship of demand and weather, demand characteristics, pressure demand, demand growth patterns, and socioeconomic data (Ali, 2012; Fan, Methaprayoon, & Lee, 2010).

Based on the time horizon, electricity demand forecasting can be categorised into three types: (i) short-term electricity demand forecasting (STEDF), (ii) medium-term

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