

Estimation of source parameters in time-varying production parameters geometry user guide



To estimate time-dependent values of seismic hazard parameters: the activity rate, the Gutenberg-Richter b-value, the return period and the exceedance probability for a prescribed area. The time windows considered for the analysis are graphically selected by the user from production parameter plots. In such way these windows and the derived hazard parameters are directly associated to anthropogenic activity. For the magnitude distribution estimation methods please refer to the "Stationary Hazard" application.



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Step by Step

The input data required for Estimation of source parameters in time-varying production parameters geometry application is a catalog containing seismic events and GDF parameter file (with single time-correlated parameter). The User enters his/her personal workspace and selects a seismic events catalog and a time-correlated parameter, that are already uploaded (see "AH Episodes" chapter).

For using a selected catalog for Estimation of source parameters in time-varying production parameters geometry application, the User shall click on the 'Actions' tab and then select consecutively, 'USE IN APPLICATION' and 'Estimation of source parameters in time-varying production parameters geometry', as highlighted in Figure 1.

The screenshot shows the 'Catalog' tab in the EPOS application. The top bar includes a 'Catalog' title and an 'ACTIONS' button. Below the title, there is a file name 'File: SONG_TRANH_catalog(1).mat'. The 'Summary' section displays key statistics: 6947 events, a time range from 2013 Aug 24 to 2016 Dec 31, a depth range from 0.000 to 21.121 km, and a magnitude range from 1.9 to 2.9. The 'Data' section shows a table of parameters with columns for Name, Description, Minimum, and Maximum. The 'Actions' menu is open, showing various options. The option 'Estimation of source parameters in time-varying production parameters geometry' is highlighted in red. Other options include 'Anderson-Darling test for exponentiality of inter-event time', 'Catalog filter', 'Catalog to ASCII converter', 'Catalog to Vectors converter', 'Catalog to XLS converter', 'Completeness Magnitude estimation', 'Earthquake interactions: Georesource scale', 'Earthquake interactions: Mainshock scale', 'Earthquake swarm (reshuffling analysis)', 'Effective stress drop estimate', 'FOCI', 'Ground Motion Parameters Catalog builder', 'Localization', 'Magnitude conversion', 'Signal download tool', 'Source size distribution functions/Stationary Hazard', 'Spectral Analysis', 'Stress inversion', 'Time correlated earthquakes (Seasonal trends)', 'Time dependent hazard in mining front surroundings', and 'Time dependent hazard in selected area'.

Figure 1. Selection of the application from the data uploaded in the workspace

Once the application has been selected the User is requested to select options and fulfill some fields with parameter values needed for the analysis (see the following Figures). These parameters are:

Catalog: A catalog has been already uploaded since the previous step, however, the User has the chance to select a different dataset, either from another episode or the any dataset after performing some processing/ filtering.

GDF with single time-correlated parameter: The User needs to select, the previously loaded time-correlated production parameter of his/her choice.

Time unit: There are 3 options for this parameter, which are shown after clicking on the small arrow in the box: Day, Month, Year. The time unit will be stored and all the calculations hereinafter will be performed according to this unit.

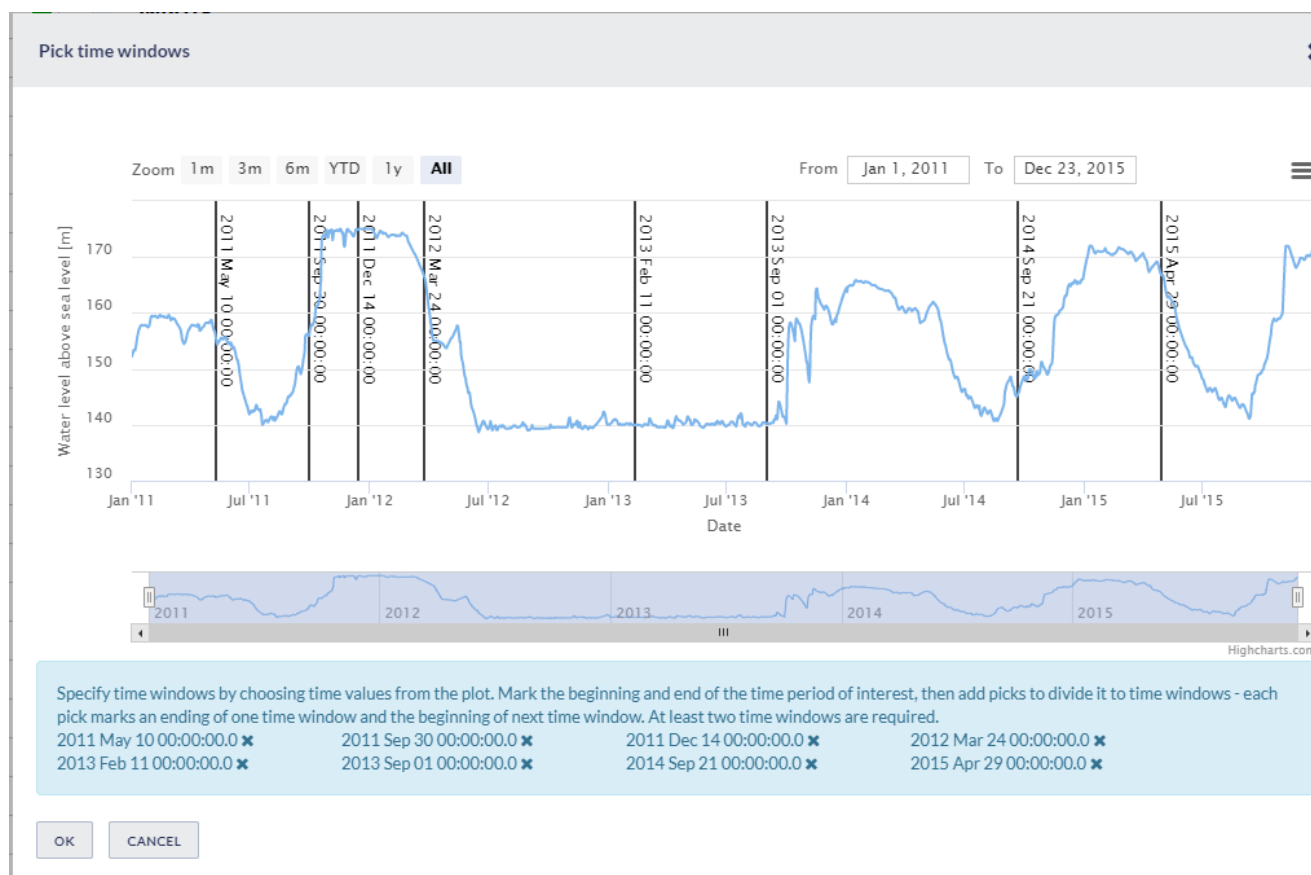
Mmin: The User now is requested to chose the minimum magnitude (completeness level of the catalog). This can be done in two ways. The first is to type a single magnitude value in the empty box, possibly after he/she has performed an individual analysis (see "Completeness Magnitude Estimation", CME Application). The second is to graphically select the minimum magnitude from the Normal or the Cumulative histograms, which are available after clicking on the respective tabs. In both cases there is option to alter the step of the histogram's bars and to select between linear and logarithmic scale of the Y-axis for the plotting.

Magnitude distribution estimation method: Four different methods are available in the EPISODES Platform: The Unbounded Gutenberg-Richter, the Upper-bounded Gutenberg-Richter, the unbounded non-parametric and the Upper-bounded non parametric estimations. To select one of the aforementioned methods of analysis, the User has to click on the arrow in the respective box.

The screenshot shows a web interface for selecting input parameters. It includes a dropdown for 'Chosen magnitude column' set to 'Mw', a dropdown for 'Time unit' set to 'Day', a text input for 'Mmin (1.9, 3.7)' with the value '2.4', and a dropdown for 'Magnitude distribution estimation method' with 'Unbounded Gutenberg-Richter model' selected. There are buttons for 'HISTOGRAM' and 'CUMULATIVE HISTOGRAM'. A message at the bottom states 'No time windows chosen.'

Figure 2. Input parameters selection

Time windows: The user need to specify at least two time windows over for the analysis. Time windows can be selected from the plot of the chosen production parametr, as shown on the figure below:



Magnitude: Magnitude for which the parameters will be calculated.

Period length (for exceedance probability): Duration of time period for which exceedance probability will be estimated for the magnitude specified above.

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After selecting all the parameters needed the User may click on the button, for the calculation process to be initiated.

The results of the process include:

- Information showing time windows details:

Time window details				
No.	Number of events	Time range		
1	0	2011 May 10 00:00:00.0 - 2011 Sep 30 00:00:00.0		
2	0	2011 Sep 30 00:00:00.0 - 2011 Dec 14 00:00:00.0		
3	0	2011 Dec 14 00:00:00.0 - 2012 Mar 24 00:00:00.0		
4	0	2012 Mar 24 00:00:00.0 - 2013 Feb 11 00:00:00.0		
5	0	2013 Feb 11 00:00:00.0 - 2013 Sep 01 00:00:00.0		
6	200	2013 Sep 01 00:00:00.0 - 2014 Sep 21 00:00:00.0		
7	165	2014 Sep 21 00:00:00.0 - 2015 Apr 29 00:00:00.0		

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- Numerical parameters resulted by the process, stored in the system, in the current folder (Figure 5). These outputs are available for the User for demonstration and plotting (when available).

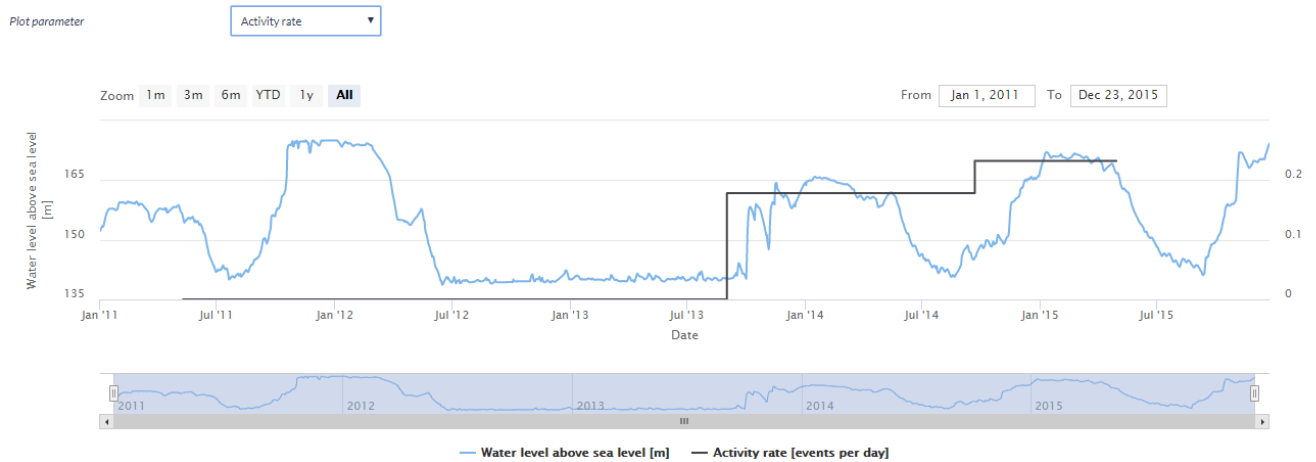
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lamb_vector.mat
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exc_probability.mat

- b-value and mean activity rate overlaid with plot of the production parameter of the user choice. Note that b-value is not plotted (and not estimated all) if a non-parametric approach is selected as 'Magnitude distribution estimation method'.

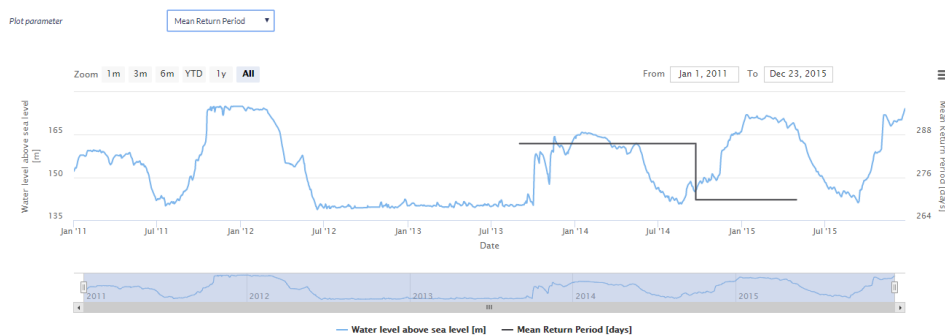


- Activity rate plot overlaid with plot of the production parameter of the user choice.

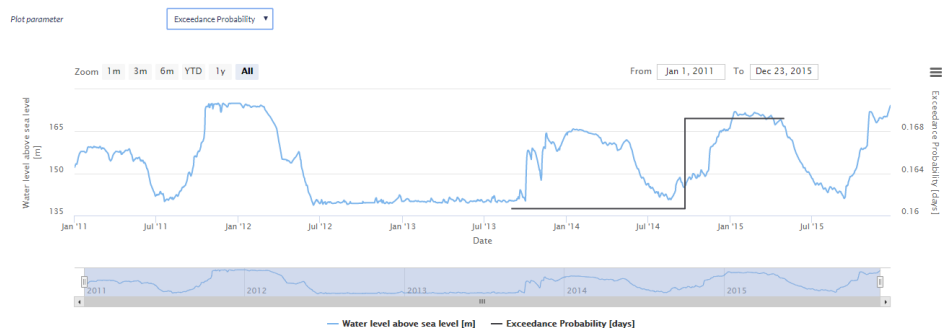
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- Mean return period plot overlaid with plot of the production parameter of the user choice.



- Exceedance probability plot



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