

Supplementary Materials for:

Prediction of Wastewater Treatment Plant Performance using Multivariate Statistical Analysis: A Case Study of Regional Sewage Treatment Plant in Melaka, Malaysia

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Table S1. The relationships between the variables were examined by the Pearson correlation matrix.

| Attribute | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| BOD _i | 0.091 | 0.357 | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.056 |
| COD _i | 0.183 | 0.670 | 0.006 | 0.001 | 0.008 |
| TSS _i | 0.188 | 0.503 | 0.033 | 0.000 | 0.003 |
| Ammonia _i | 0.108 | 0.153 | 0.145 | 0.038 | 0.111 |
| pH _i | 0.056 | 0.020 | 0.191 | 0.027 | 0.074 |
| OG _i | 0.177 | 0.343 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.004 |
| BOD _e | 0.474 | 0.092 | 0.002 | 0.057 | 0.000 |
| COD _e | 0.539 | 0.194 | 0.070 | 0.026 | 0.005 |
| TSS _e | 0.548 | 0.071 | 0.015 | 0.084 | 0.001 |
| Ammonia _e | 0.298 | 0.061 | 0.120 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| pH _e | 0.004 | 0.011 | 0.115 | 0.149 | 0.377 |
| OG _e | 0.004 | 0.001 | 0.132 | 0.004 | 0.304 |
| TEMP _e | 0.027 | 0.004 | 0.227 | 0.029 | 0.001 |
| Nitrate _i | 0.008 | 0.009 | 0.001 | 0.565 | 0.119 |
| Nitrate _e | 0.000 | 0.022 | 0.395 | 0.079 | 0.000 |
| MLSS | 0.000 | 0.014 | 0.054 | 0.210 | 0.002 |
| WWQI | 0.762 | 0.186 | 0.011 | 0.000 | 0.001 |

Table S2. Pearson correlation matrix for wastewater quality parameters for all sampling points

| | BOD influent | COD influent | TSS influent | NH ₃ influent | BOD effluent | COD effluent | TSS effluent | NH ₃ effluent |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| BOD _i | 1.0 | 0.534 | 0.397 | 0.214 | 0.001 | -0.006 | -0.085 | 0.012 |
| COD _i | 0.534 | 1.0 | 0.841 | 0.350 | -0.045 | 0.047 | -0.107 | -0.025 |
| TSS _i | 0.397 | 0.841 | 1.0 | 0.268 | -0.092 | -0.046 | -0.110 | 0.002 |
| NH _{3i} | 0.214 | 0.350 | 0.268 | 1.0 | -0.167 | 0.011 | -0.106 | -0.210 |
| PH _i | 0.068 | 0.199 | 0.196 | 0.055 | -0.023 | -0.177 | -0.070 | -0.045 |
| OG _i | 0.402 | 0.566 | 0.451 | 0.271 | -0.122 | -0.092 | -0.094 | -0.054 |
| BOD _e | 0.001 | -0.045 | -0.092 | -0.167 | 1.0 | 0.582 | 0.416 | 0.326 |
| COD _e | -0.006 | 0.047 | -0.046 | 0.011 | 0.582 | 1.0 | 0.474 | 0.340 |
| TSS _e | -0.085 | -0.107 | -0.110 | -0.106 | 0.416 | 0.474 | 1.0 | 0.452 |
| NH _{3e} | 0.012 | -0.025 | 0.002 | -0.210 | 0.326 | 0.340 | 0.452 | 1.0 |
| PH _e | -0.034 | 0.031 | 0.031 | -0.002 | 0.167 | 0.068 | -0.054 | 0.131 |
| OG _e | -0.063 | -0.092 | -0.056 | 0.098 | 0.023 | 0.025 | 0.033 | 0.002 |
| TEMP _e | -0.071 | 0.088 | 0.065 | 0.114 | -0.070 | 0.003 | -0.139 | -0.113 |
| NO _{3N} _i | -0.009 | -0.006 | 0.021 | 0.120 | -0.022 | -0.043 | 0.256 | 0.071 |
| NO _{3N} _e | 0.127 | 0.057 | -0.049 | 0.166 | 0.036 | 0.230 | -0.106 | -0.129 |
| MLSS | 0.015 | 0.054 | 0.017 | 0.107 | 0.035 | 0.110 | -0.024 | -0.035 |
| WWQI | 0.041 | 0.024 | 0.089 | 0.062 | -0.678 | -0.906 | -0.791 | -0.454 |