

Supplementary material for:

**Comparing and integrating artificial intelligence and similarity search detection techniques:
application to seismic sequences in Southern Italy**

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Parametric test for EQTransformer

To better understand how the input parameters influence the detection performance of EQTransformer, we performed a parametric study on a specific sequence (Rocca San Felice sequence, ID 1) starting from the following values: $\text{det_thresh}=0.3$, $\text{P_thresh}=\text{S_thresh}=0.1$, $\text{overlap}=30\%$, $\text{batch size}=500$.

We systematically explored the batch size value, fixing the threshold parameters to the default values and reported an almost constant number of detections within the range 100-600. Reducing the detection threshold parameter from 0.3 to 0.15, to be more permissive in the selection of transients, we did not find significant changes in the number of events. When we lower the threshold for all the parameters ($\text{det_thresh}=0.1$, $\text{P_thresh}=\text{S_thresh}=0.08$), the final catalog increases by only about 10%. This latter increase, however, is not considered significant with respect to the catalog obtained with the initial parameterization, while it increases the risk of false detections. Therefore, we decided to keep the initial values of the parameters as reference for this study. We only changed the batch size to 100, to reduce memory demand.

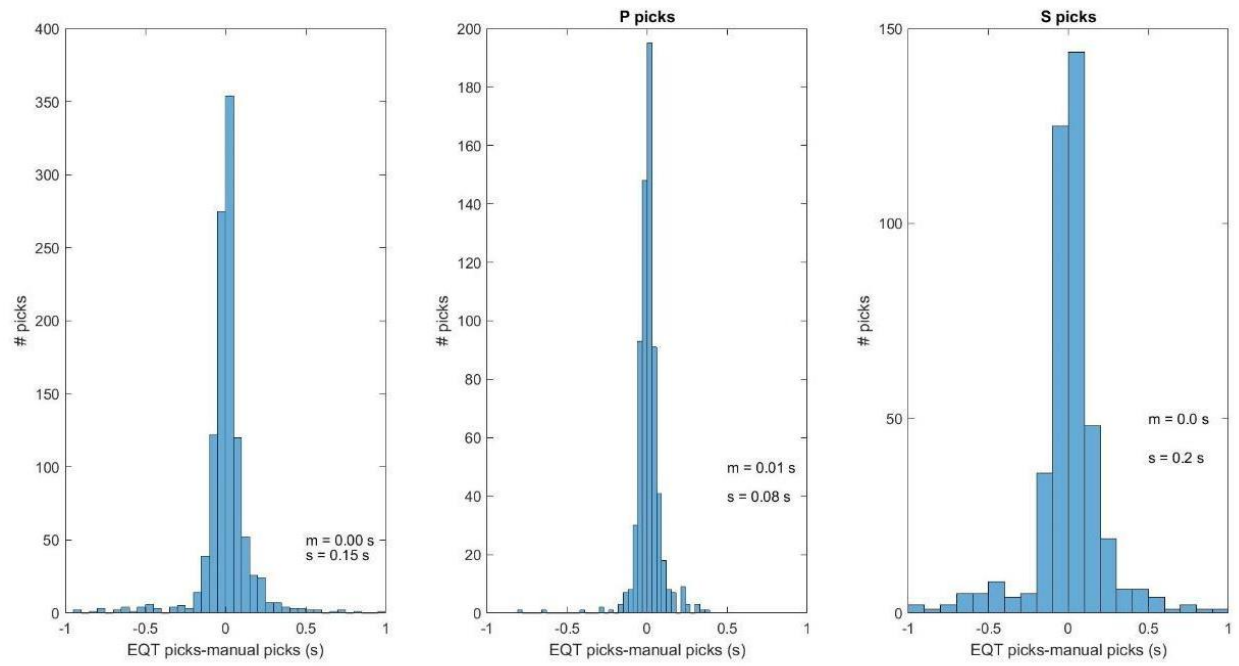


Figure S1. Comparison between the manual and EQTTransformer automatic picks for ~ 200 events (left panel: P and S picks; central panel: P picks; right panel: S picks). Automatic phase arrival times are consistent with manual picks; the distributions of P and S shifts are centered in zero and have width of 0.08 s and 0.2s, respectively.

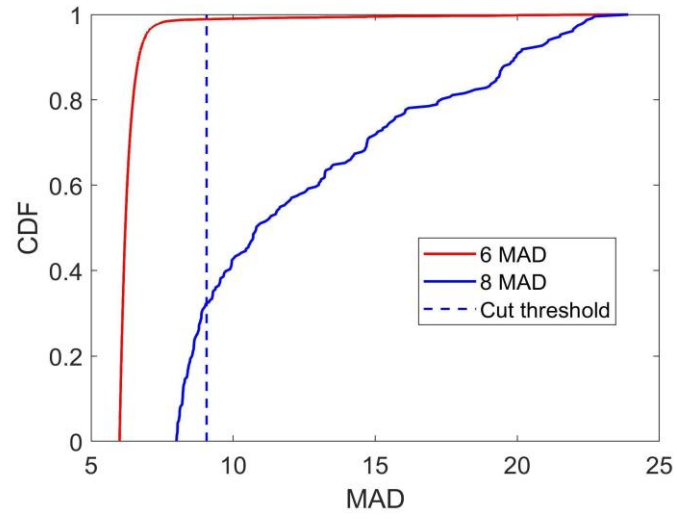


Figure S2. Cumulative distribution of the ratio $CCsum/MAD$ for the catalog obtained with 6 MAD (red curve) and 8 MAD (blue curve) as thresholds.

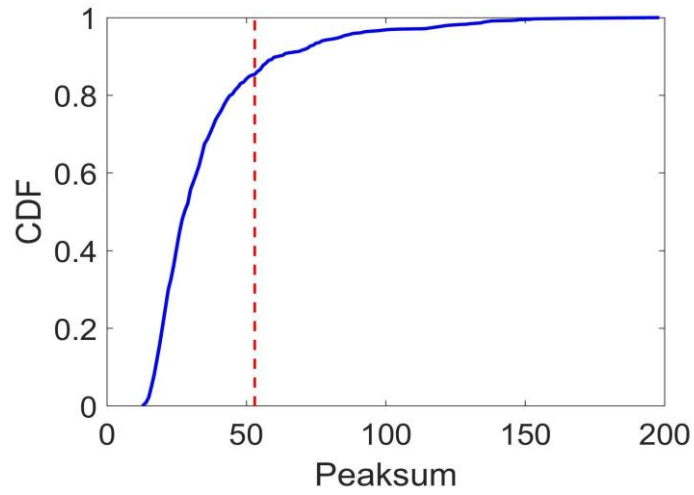


Figure S3. An example of the cumulative distribution of the *peaksum* parameter, for events declared at 2 stations with FAST. We clearly identify a change in the slope of the distribution, around the 90% percentile, which is considered as the threshold to discriminate real events from false positives.

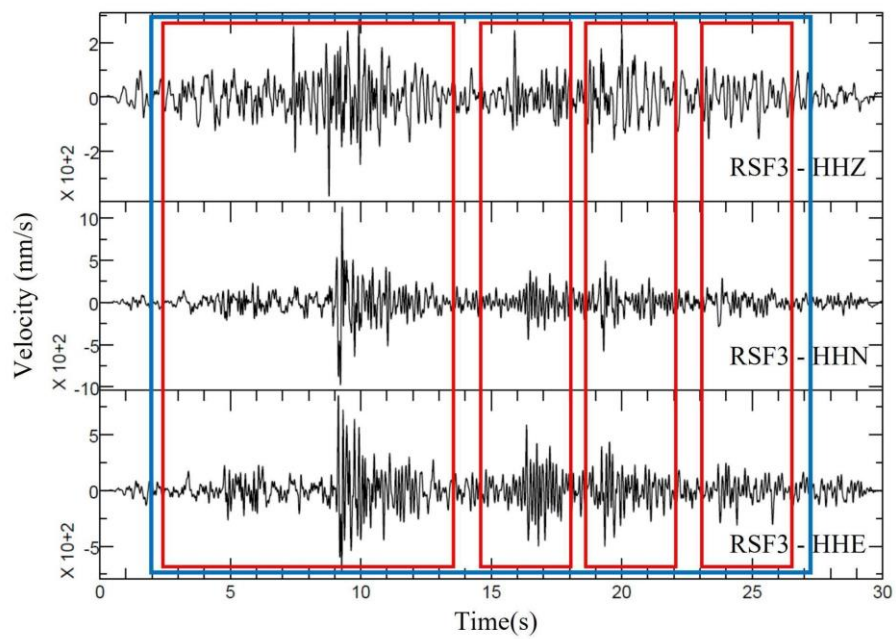


Figure S4. Events detected from TM (red boxes) and FAST (blue box): FAST is not able to discriminate events occurring closely in time.

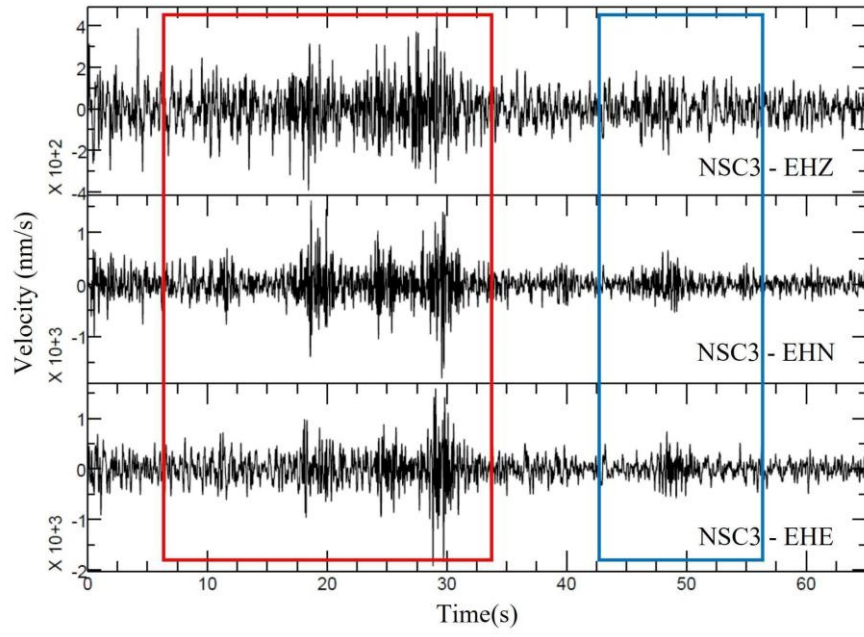


Figure S5. An example of a low SNR event declared by FAST and missed by TM (blue box). The three events close in time in the red box are correctly separately detected by TM.

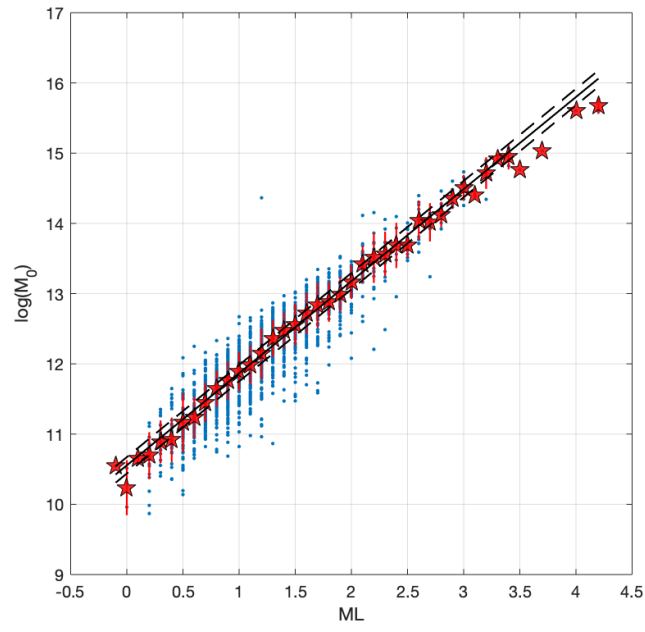


Figure S6. Linear regression between $\log_{10} M_0$ and ML using the historical earthquakes recorded in the Irpinia region. We obtain $\log_{10} M_0 = 1.31 ML + 10.55$, with $\sigma = 0.12$.

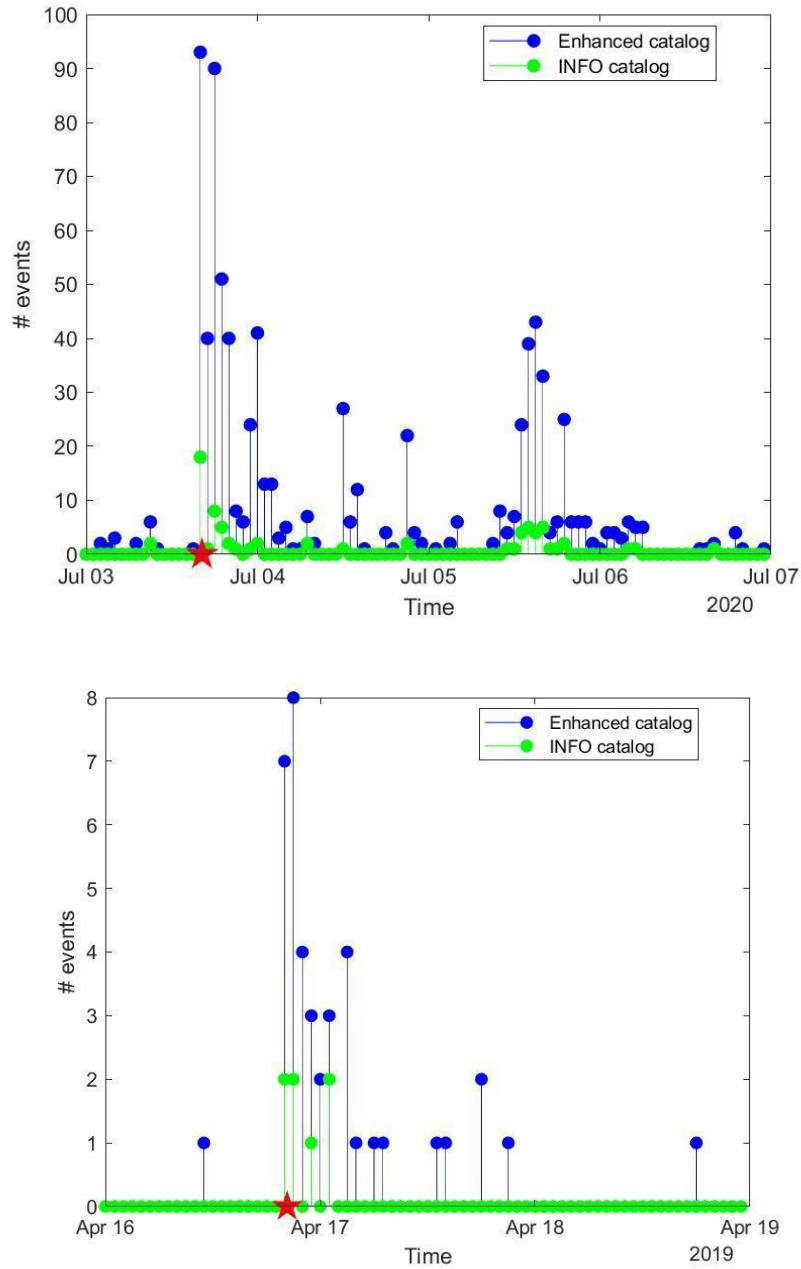


Figure S7. Distribution of the number of detections as a function of time for two sequences (ID 1, upper panel and ID 9, lower panel). In the plots we superimpose the merged (blue stems) and INFO (green stems) catalogs. The two sequences are characterized by a main event of similar magnitude. In both cases, seismicity decreased approaching the end of the selected time window.

ID	MI main	FAST	EQT	EQT+TM	INFO+TM
1	3.0	Mc 0.0 $b = 0.71 \pm 0.05$	Mc 0.2 $b = 0.54 \pm 0.04$	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.71 \pm 0.03$	Mc -0.1 $b = 0.72 \pm 0.04$
2	2.7	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.60 \pm 0.05$	Mc -0.2 $b = 0.51 \pm 0.07$	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.68 \pm 0.06$	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.62 \pm 0.06$
3	2.8	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.62 \pm 0.11$	N.A	Mc 0.4 $b = 0.76 \pm 0.13$	Mc 0.6 $b = 0.65 \pm 0.16$
4	3.7	Mc -0.1 $b = 0.76 \pm 0.08$	Mc 0.1 $b = 0.54 \pm 0.08$	Mc -0.2 $b = 0.65 \pm 0.07$	Mc -0.1 $b = 0.70 \pm 0.09$
5	1.8	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.83 \pm 0.10$	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.75 \pm 0.10$	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.73 \pm 0.05$	Mc 0.1 $b = 0.83 \pm 0.08$
6	3.0	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.75 \pm 0.18$	Mc 0.4 $b = 0.53 \pm 0.13$	Mc 0.2 $b = 0.69 \pm 0.11$	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.8 \pm 0.2$
7	2.7	Mc 0.4 $b = 0.66 \pm 0.13$	N.A	Mc 0.3 $b = 0.78 \pm 0.14$	Mc 0.5 $b = 0.67 \pm 0.15$
8	2.8	Mc 0.1 $b = 1.16 \pm 0.11$	Mc 0.9 $b = 1.00 \pm 0.14$	Mc 0.2 $b = 1.26 \pm 0.13$	Mc 0.2 $b = 1.08 \pm 0.09$
9	2.9	N.A	N.A	Mc -0.3 $b = 0.60 \pm 0.09$	N.A
10	3.1	Mc 0.2 $b = 0.73 \pm 0.16$	Mc 0.2 $b = 0.53 \pm 0.09$	Mc 0.1 $b = 0.76 \pm 0.13$	Mc 0.2 $b = 0.71 \pm 0.16$

Table S1. Magnitude of completeness, b-values and magnitude of the main event in the sequence, using the different detection techniques for the 10 analyzed sequences