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Study of outgoing longwave radiation anomalies associated with Haiti earthquake

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Abstract. The paper presents an analysis by using the methods of field calculation mean and wavelet maxima to detect seismic anomaly within the outgoing longwave radiation (OLR) data based on time space. The distinguishing feature of the method of Eddy field calculation mean is that we can calculate "the total sum of the difference value" between adjacent points, which could highlight singularity within data. The identified singularities are further valid wavelet maxima, which using wavelet transformations as data mining by computing the maxima that can be used to identify obvious anomaly within OLR data. The two methods have been applied to carry out a comparative analysis of OLR data associated with the earthquake that occurred in Haiti on 12 January 2010. Combining with the tectonic explanation of spatial and temporal continuity of the abnormal phenomenon, the analyzed results have indicated a number of singularities associated with the possible seismic anomalies of the earthquake and from the comparative experiments and analyses by using the two methods, follow the same time and space, we conclude that the singularities observed from 19 to 24 December 2009 could be the earthquake precursor of Haiti earthquake.

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