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Physics-Aware Deep Learning for Modeling Dynamical Systems

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 - C2: Generalization: data-driven approaches beyond training data distribution
 - ▶ C3: Neural operators: mesh free approaches for simulation

AI4Science AI as a new scientific paradigm

AI for Science



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AI4Science: domains and opportunities



2020: emerging topic

Examines the potential of AI for application domains

 Materials, environment, life sciences, high energy physics, smart energy infrastructures, etc

Challenges

- Data
 - Al Assisted data acquisition, hypothesis testing, compression, platforms, ...
- Experiments
 - self driving laboratories (biology), coupling AI and robots
- Models
 - e.g. digital twins
- Al challenges
 - data complexity, physical plausibility, integrating domain knowledge, etc



2022: Evolution large scale

Al reflects an inflection point.

 Perspective change: from AI as a tool towards AI as support for scientific exploration

Highlights 6 AI paradigms including

- Surrogate models
 - Climate, cosmology, high energy physics, ...
- Foundation models
- Inference and inverse design
 - Material, chemistry, biology, molecular discovery, ...

AI4Science – example: weather forecasting



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C4: Foundation models for weather forecasting: GraphCast (Lam et al. 2023 - Google)

- Data-driven approach to weather forecast
- Learn from historical data
 - Training: 39 years (1979-2017) of historical data from ECMWF ERA5 reanalysis archive – petabytes of data
 - ECMWF: European Center for Medium-Range Weather Forecast
 - Test: 2018 onward
 - Time step: 6 hours
 - State variables
 - 5 surface variables (temperature, wind speed, etc)
 - 6 athmospheric variables (temp., wind, etc) at 37 pressure levels
 - > 0.25° latitude/ longitude grid, 28x28 kilometer resolution, 1M points
- Objective
 - Given state variables at t and t 6 hours, predict next state (t + 6)
 - Prediction horizon: 10 days (medium range), auto-regressive model

Al4Science: example: weather forecasting and climate Foundation models for weather forecasting: GraphCast (Lam et al. 2023 -Google)

- ECMWF is running a series of data-driven forecasts as part of its experimental suite.
 - Quote: "These ML-based weather forecasts first approached the skill of the IFS (used as the benchmark for high-quality forecasting), then matched IFS skill, and then claimed to surpass our scores. What's more, making a forecast with these models requires only a single GPU, takes less than a minute, and consumes a tiny fraction of the energy required for an IFS forecast."





C1: Incorporating physical knowledge in statistical dynamics models – hybrid systems



C1 -Incorporating physical knowledge Why hybrid systems - motivation

Accelerate computations

- Direct numerical simulation is usually intractable
- Approximate the high-precision simulation at a lower
 - computational cost

Low to high resolution (Belbute-Peres et al. 2020)



Complement physical models

- Part of the physics is unknown or not considered in the model
- Learn the missing information from data

Neural General Circulation Model – weather prediction (Kochkov et al. 2023)



Fig. 1 Structure of the NeuralGCM model. (a) Overall model structure, showing how forcings F_t , noise z_t (for stochastic models), and inputs y_t are encoded into the model state x_t . Model state is fed into the dynamical core, and alongside forcings and noise into the learned physics module. This produces tendencies (rates of change) used by an implicit-explicit ODE solver to advance the state in time. The new model state x_{t+1} can then be fed back into another time step, or decoded into model predictions. (b) Inset of the learned physics module, which feeds data for individual columns of the atmosphere into a neural network used to produce physics tendencies in that vertical column.

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Context

- Assumptions: incomplete background knowledge is available
 - e.g. PDE that only explains partially the phenomenon
- Complement the physical model with a statistical component
 - Learn the missing information from data
- Provide a principled framework to make model-based and data-based frameworks cooperate
- Objective
 - Identify the physical parameters (inverse problem)
 - The NN component should learn to describe the information that cannot be captured by the physics (direct problem)

Illustration: damped pendulum

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Figure 1: Predicted dynamics for the damped pendulum vs. ground truth (GT) trajectories $d^2\theta/dt^2 + \omega_0^2 \sin\theta + \alpha d\theta/dt = 0$. We show that in (a) the data-driven approach (Chen et al., 2018) fails to properly learn the dynamics due to the lack of training data, while in (b) an ideal pendulum cannot take friction into account. The proposed APHYNITY shown in (c) augments the over-simplified physical model in (b) with a data-driven component. APHYNITY improves both forecasting (MSE) and parameter identification (Error T_0) compared to (b).

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- We consider
 - General dynamics of the form $\frac{dX_t}{dt} = F(X_t)$
- Assumption
 - Evolution function *F*, will be modeled by a combination of:
 - A physical incomplete model $F_p \in \mathcal{F}_p$
 - An agnostic model (a neural network) $F_a \in \mathcal{F}_a$
- Example:
 - Additive decompositions

$$\frac{dX_t}{dt} = F(X_t) = F_p(X_t) + F_a(X_t) \text{, with } F_p \in \mathcal{F}_p \text{ and } F_a \in \mathcal{F}_a$$

III-posed problem

- The decomposition $F_p(X_t) + F_a(X_t)$ is usually not unique
 - Turned into a well posed optimization problem

Intuition

- F_p should explain as much of the dynamics as possible
 - Learn F_a and F_p so that F_a explains only the residual unexplained by F_p
- Formalization: training objective
 - Given a normed vector space $(\mathcal{F}, ||.||)$

$$Min_{F_p \in \mathcal{F}_p, F_a \in \mathcal{F}_a} ||F_a||, \text{ s.t. } \forall X \in D, \frac{dX_t}{dt} = F_p(X_t) + F_a(X_t)$$

Theoretical insights

- If \mathcal{F}_p is a proximinal set, there exists a minimizing decomposition.
- If \mathcal{F}_p is a Chebyshev set, the optimization problem admits a unique minimizer, hence identifiability is guaranteed.

- The evolution function solution, combines a differentiable numerical solver with a NN residual component
- The parameters of the solver and of the neural network are learned from data
- Solving amounts at integrating this evolution function in time



C1 - Incorporating physical knowledge Cardiac electrophysiology (Kashtanova, Sermesant et al. 2022 - Epione team Inria Sophia)

- Objective
 - Modeling the dynamics of cardiac electrical activity
 - Normal and pathological conditions
 - Variable of interest: Action Potential (mVolts) wave propagation



C1 - Incorporating physical knowledge Cardiac electrophysiology (Kashtanova et al. 2022)

Objective

- Modeling the dynamics of cardiac electrical activity
- Setting 1: In Silico Data
 - Complex high fidelity model considered as Ground Truth
 - e.g. Ten Tusscher-Panvilov 2004
 - # hidden variables and parameters, computationally expensive (43 variables)
 - Surrogate low fidelity model Incomplete phenomenological model
 - e.g. Mitchell Schaeffer 2003 6 parameters model
 - $\hfill\square$ In the experiments, 3 parameters to be estimated + 3 fixed
 - □ Rapid prototyping, less precise Reaction-diffusion model
 - Objective
 - Learn to simulate high fidelity data using a combination of low fidelity model (Mitchell Schaeffer) and residual neural network – APHYNITY framework

C1 - Incorporating physical knowledge Cardiac electrophysiology (Kashtanova et al. 2022)

- In silico data Example: polarization phase
 - Slab of 2D cardiac tissue of 24x24 elements



Figure 2: APHYN-EP predicted dynamics for the transmembrane potential diffusion. The figure shows a 9 ms of forecast).

- Ex-vivo data
 - Optical data from swine hearts



Fig. 2: Example of optical mapping data (tracings of denoised action potential waves) recorded ex vivo in a porcine heart. ROI B represents an ischaemic region characterized by a shorten action potential duration (AF20)24+10+402 to the normal APD recorded in ROI A.

C2: Tackling the generalization problem

C2: Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems Motivating examples

One underlying process – Multiple environments

Modelling epidemics in different Modeling heart electrical diffusion from different patients countries Nombre de nouveaux cas de covid-19 par million d'habitants Moyenne lissée sur sept jours 500 400 300 200 100 Fig. Fresca 2020 Predictions of sea surface temperature from satellite data -Sub regions extracted for the dataset. Test regions are regions 17 to 20. different areas 2024-11-12 21 Physics-aware Deep Learning - Dynamical Systems - P. Gallinari

C2: Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems Domain Generalization

Problem setting

- Assumption: there exists a set of environments $E = \{e^i\}$, each governed by a differential equation $\frac{dx_t^e}{dt} = f_e(x_t^e)$
 - Sharing commonalities e.g. general form of the dynamics (shared parameters θ_c)
 - With specificities, e.g. coefficients of the PDE, initial & boundary conditions, forcings, spatio-temporal domains, etc (Specific parameters θ_e)

Challenge

How to leverage this setting in order to generalize to unseen situations and new environments?

C2: Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems Domain Generalization

- Usual practice in ML (Empirical Risk Minimization)
 - Training dataset: sample environment distribution and for each environmen sample the trajectory distribution
 - Expect this will generalize to new environments
 - This assumes:
 - i.i.d. distribution, dataset large enough to cover the data distribution and represent the diversity of situations
 - Not realistic
- Claim
 - The models should leverage adaptive conditioning to the environment

C2: Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems Domain Generalization (Kassai et al. 2024)



C2: Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems CODA framework (Kirchmeyer et al. 2022, Kassai et al. 2024

- How to Intuition: Meta-learning for fast adaptation to new environments
 - Training
 - Learn on a sample of the domains' distribution (i.e. different environments) $\Box \theta^e = \theta^c + \delta \theta^e$
 - \Box θ^c shared parameters across environments, $\delta \theta^e$ environment specific parameters
 - So that it could adapt fast and with a few shots to a new environment
 - Inference: for a new environment fast adaptation with a few samples

C2:Tackling the generalization problem for dynamical systems CODA framework (Kirchmeyer et al. 2022)

Figure 2. Adaptation results with CoDA- ℓ_1 on LV. Parameters (β, δ) are sampled in $[0.25, 1.25]^2$ on a 51 \times 51 uniform grid, leading to 2601 adaptation environments \mathcal{E}_{ad} . • are training environments \mathcal{E}_{tr} . We report MAPE (\downarrow) across \mathcal{E}_{ad} (Top). On the bottom, we choose four of them (x, e_1-e_4) , to show the ground-truth (blue) and predicted (green) phase space portraits. x, y are respectively the quantity of prey and predator in the system in Eq. (15). Physics-aware Deep Learning - Dynamical Systems - P. Gallinar 20

Lotka-Volterra (LV, Lotka, 1925) The system describes the interaction between a prey-predator pair in an ecosystem, formalized into the following ODE:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t} = \alpha x - \beta x y$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = \delta x y - \gamma y$$
(15)

where x, y are respectively the quantity of the prey and the predator, $\alpha, \beta, \delta, \gamma$ define how two species interact.

- Four parameters, two fixed (α, γ) and two (β, δ) change accross environments
- Training on 9 environments (yellow)
- Top: Evaluation on 2600 new environments
- Bottom: phase portraits for 4 new environments e_1 to e_4
 - Blue trajectories: ground truth
 - Green trajectories: predicted

C3: Neural operators: beyond mesh based approaches for simulation

C3: Neural operators

Classical numerical solvers operate on grids or meshes (finite differences, finite elements, finitie volumes)

Neural solvers operate on tensors (grids) or on graphs (irregular meshes) Neural operators is a recent topic aiming at learning maps between function spaces instead of vector spaces

 e.g. images are considered as continuous functions

Key ideas

- Functions and operators are mesh/ resolution invariant
- They can be applied for different geometries, for multiple resolutions

Learning operator methods are data driven

C3: Neural operator Encode – Process – Decode framework

Encode-Process-Decode has become the standard framework for many spatio-temporal forecasting problems

C3: Neural operators

AROMA: Attentive Reduced Order Model with Attention (Serrano et al. 2024)

Principled Framework:

- Properties
 - Handle diverse geometries: inputs and outputs may consist in point sets, grids, meshes
 - Can be queried at any spatial position
- Demonstrates how modern NN components allow building versatile PDE solvers
 - Encode/ Process/ Decode framework
 - Encoding: cross-attention maps variable-size inputs to a fixed-size compact latent token space encoding local spatial information
 - Processing: a diffusion transformer architecture to model dynamics and exploit spatial relations locally and globally via self-attention + model uncertainty
 - Decoding: uses a conditional neural field + cross-attention to query forecast values at any spatial point within the equation's domain

C3: Neural operators AROMA: Attentive Reduced Order Model with Attention (Serrano et al. 2024) General framework

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C3: Neural operators AROMA: Attentive Reduced Order Model with Attention Cross-attention encoder captures spatial attention

> Example: Navier Stokes – cylinder flow Cross attention illustration

Cylinder flow ground truth Tokens capture and encode local spatial information – cross attention between T^{geo} tokens and "x" T_1 T_1 T_2 T^{geo} T_{2} T_{λ}

AROMA: Attentive Reduced Order Model with Attention Stability on long rollouts

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Conclusion

Al4Science

- Still an open field, with several challenges
- Already significant demonstrations in fields like weather forecasting, biology, materials, molecular design, ...
- Crucial role of curated data collections
- Quest for foundation models

Key issue

Crucial role of pluridisciplinary teams and efforts

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