

Deep Learning for physics

or: incorporating priors (or physics) in a ML pipeline

eg: weather forecast > dynamical system

1) Equations known

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \underbrace{a}_{\text{coefficient to be estimated}} \Delta x + \underbrace{v}_{\text{to be estimated}} \cdot x$$

data assimilation

→ statistical estimates
→ Kalman filter

or: equation known perfectly but chaotic system

2) Learn a PDE: Partial Differential Equation

- real equation not known
- genetic optimization (of possible terms to include)
- PDE: iterative process

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x(t), \theta, \delta^2(\omega))$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x(t)) \iff \text{recurrent network}$$

$$\frac{x_{t+1} - x_t}{dt} \approx f(x(t)) + O(dt) \quad \text{approximation error}$$

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + dt f(x(t)) + O(dt^2)$$

$$x_{t+1} = F(x_t)$$

↓ -

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + \epsilon F(x_t)$$

3) Know an equation that the solution should satisfy

[DOM] Searching for a function $u: [0, T] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) = L u(t, x) & \forall t, x \in [0, T] \times \Omega \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) & \forall x \in \Omega, \quad u(t, x) = g(t, x) & \forall t \in [0, T] \times \partial \Omega \end{cases}$$

Fluid mechanics:



$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

eg: Navier-Stokes

Represent u by a neural network: $v \in \mathbb{R}^n \iff u(t, x)$

$$v = F_\theta$$

"PINNs": physically-informed NN

at every location (x_i, t) : $\left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) - Lu(t, x) \right\|$

$$\text{Loss} = \sum_{\text{Samples } (x, t)} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) - Lu(t, x) \right\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{\text{Samples } x} \|u(t, x) - u_0(x)\|^2$$

$$+ \lambda' \sum_{\text{Samples } (t, x) \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{ODE}}} \|u(t, x) - g(t, x)\|^2$$

ex: chemistry: quantum mechanics
Schrödinger

4) Form of the solution known

Searching for $I(x, t)$ knowing $I|_{t=0}$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial t} + \underbrace{(\vec{w}) \cdot \nabla_x I}_{\text{advection (transport)}} = \underbrace{D \nabla_x^2 I}_{\text{real coefficient diffusion}}$$

unknown motion field



↳ theorem: solution of the form:

$$I(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{(4\pi Dt)^{d/2}} e^{-\frac{\|x-y-\vec{w}t\|^2}{4Dt}} I_0(y) dy$$

conv. kernel k

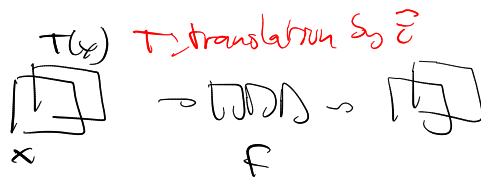
$$I_t = k * I_0$$

↳ learn w
and predict $I = F(w)$
↳ fixed function above

↳ incorporating math knowledge in the ML pipeline

5) Incorporation of invariances / priors by design
equivariances

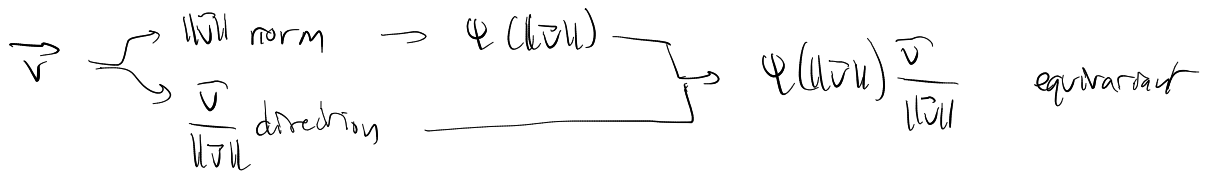
a) Translation-equivariance: CNN



equivariance $F(T(x)) = T(F(x))$

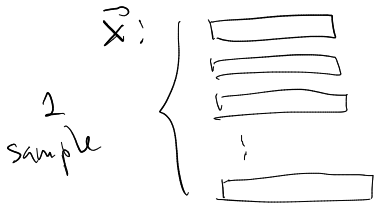
invariance: $F(T(x)) = F(x)$

b) Rotation:

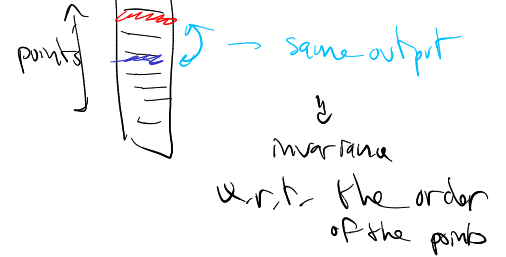


c) Permutation-equivariance

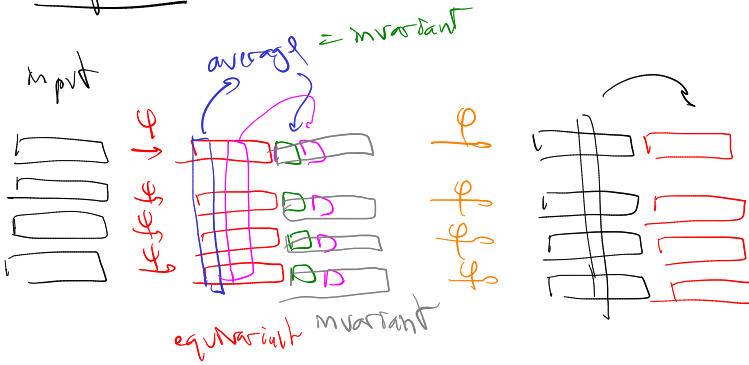
ex: 3D point cloud



input: set of points
 ↳ order does not matter



Deep Sets



guarantee by design

that the function is permutation-equivariant

Theorem: universal approximation power (to permutation-equivariant functions) provided many enough blocks

ex: population genetics

1 input = 1 population = many individuals



\rightarrow predict: history of pop^s size
 ex: how many inhabitants 2000 years ago?

also: attention mechanism

d) Other properties enforced by design

ex: classifⁿ task: desired property = output = probability distribution over N classes

\rightarrow achieved with softmax

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P_c \quad \forall c, P_c \geq 0 \\
 &P_c \in \mathbb{R} \\
 &\sum_c P_c = 1
 \end{aligned}$$