MODE

Design of Experiments Using Machine Learning

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Complexity³ of Modern HEP Experiments



Complex phenomena



 H^{*} (hydrogen anions)
 p (protons)
 ions
 RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams)
 n (neutrons)
 p (antiprotons)
 e (electrons)
 μ (muons)

Complex machines



Complex detectors and reconstruction

Stochastic processes \rightarrow intractable likelihood (matrix element, parton shower, detector simulation... result in latent variables)

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Typical Analysis Pipeline
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The diagram is from Pietro Vischia's slides from ICHEP2024

Determining Multiple Parameters

- Determining multiple parameters ~ fitting a function
- The optimisation of a detector or a reconstruction chain is conceptually the same thing
- To perform this optimisation we need to know $\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \theta}$:

how does our photon efficiency change w.r.t. the reconstruction parameters θ ?



- Gradients can be calculated
 - Numerically: unfeasible for many parameters
 - Algorithmically: requires unbroken gradients throughout the whole chain: every step needs to be differentiable
 - Differentiable programming

Differentiable Programming

- Differentiable programming is used by, but is independent of ML
- At its core: in any operation, include a way to access its gradient w.r.t. all parameters (if it exists): auto differentiation
- Auto-differentiation is neither pure numeric nor pure symbolic differentiation
 - Numerical differentiation is not feasible for large optimisation problems
 - Fully symbolic differentiation can easily become not feasible from computational point of view
- In most cases, back propagation is used (A
 ightarrow X
 ightarrow L)
 - Calculate the numerical values of b = dL/dx using the analytic gradient of the operation
 - Calculate the numerical values of $b \cdot dx/dA$ in the same way



What is MODE about?

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Use differentiable programming to optimise particle physics detectors given a quantification of the physics target(s) and the detector cost





https://mode-collaboration.github.io



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The MODE Goals

- "We aim to create a versatile, scalable, customizable infrastructure, where a generic detector design task can be encoded, along with all the players (pattern reco, nuisances, cost constraints, a well constructed objective function)"
 - Then automatic scanning of the space of design solutions becomes possible!
- This doesn't replace the work of the physicist! We aim at extending the physicist's abilities by producing design assistance tools, focusing on diagnostic tools and visualizations for interpretability
- We don't propose the one *optimal solution* to a given problem, we aim at proposing a distribution of solutions in a region of optimality, to assist design choices!
- Optimization targets are not only strictly physics-related (e.g. significances): we consider also financial cost and other constraints in the optimization

The MODE Goals

- We identified and started studying some relatively simple use cases: muon tomography detector optimization, calorimeter optimization
- Plan to proceed to other simple use cases (e.g. small detectors for HL-LHC), providing proofs of concept of increasing complexity
 - "Every problem is difficult if you want to solve it well and make an impact"



TomOpt: Muon Scattering Tomography Optimization

Differential optimization =

minimisation of loss function $\mathcal{L}(a_n)$

- where *a_n* are detector parameters
- $\mathcal{L}(a_n) = \text{inference error} + \text{constraints}$
- Gradient descent : $a_{n+1} = a_n \gamma \nabla \mathcal{L}(a_n)$



Automatic Optimization of O-PPAC

(Parallel-Plate Avalanche Counter with Optical Readout) 33 SiPMs per array

- 1. Define parameters of interest:
- Collimator Length (L)
- Pressure of the scintillating gas (p)
- 2. Set loss function:

 $egin{split} \mathcal{L}(p,L,x,y) = \ rac{1}{2}ig[ig(x-\hat{x}(p,L,x,y)ig)^2+ig(y-\hat{y}(p,L,x,y)ig)^2ig] \end{split}$

- 3. Use AD to find the minimum of \mathcal{L} w.r.t. p and L:
- Fully-Connected NN with 3 layers
- 64 neurons per layer





Optimizing SWGO Array Layout



(13 configurations are provided by SWGO collaboration)

- The Southern Wide-Field Gamma Observatory (SWGO) is planned to be built at high altitude in south America.
- The optimization goal is to arrange $N = \mathcal{O}(6000)$ tanks of Cherenkov detectors that SWGO plans to deploy
 - Full configuration space is highly-dimensional: $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times N-3}$





Calorimeters:

- Complex showers
- So far designs relatively simple
- Good place to invest in systematic gradientbased optimization
- Requirements:
 - Length < 180 cm



Layered Material Cuboid - Iteration 1





Calorimeters Optimization

Robust Reconstruction Models for ECal Optimization



Future Muon Collider Calorimeter Optimization

Beam Induced Background (BIB) problem for TeV-scale muon collider

- BIB simulation at 1.5 TeV center-of-mass energy
 - Energy deposits in ECal
- Reference design is CRILIN for ECal
 - Array of $1 \times 1 \times 4.5 cm^3 \ PbF_2$ voxels arranged in a dodecahedron
 - 5 layers per wedge
 - Modular design
- Optimizing photon reconstruction efficiency and material cost









Hadron Calorimeters

1. Toward Particle ID in Granular HCal: XGBoost-based reco provides 64% accuracy in p/π PID





Projection of the energy distribution in the XY and ZY planes.

2. Neuromorphic Readout for Homogeneous HCal



- First ever attempt to use neuromorphic solutions for calorimetry readout
- Development of multi-nanowire photodetector for physical readout
- Employ Spiking Neural Network for precise energy measurement and for particle identification

Neuromorphic Computing

"Computing approach that mimics the structure and function of the human brain using artificial neurons and synapses" C. Mead. "Neuromorphic electronic systems" (1990)



Approach is applied to develop hardware trigger for UHE neutrino detection

Previous MODE Workshops



2021: In Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)



2023: In Princeton University (USA) Alexey Boldyrev | Design of Experiments Using ML | FTCF Workshop Guangzhou 2024



2022: In Kolymbari, Crete (Greece)



2024: In Valencia (Spain)

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Want to Join MODE Collaboration?

- According to the collaboration Statute, you need to:
 - be interested in our research plan, and to produce research in that area
 - bring competence of relevance, or vow to acquire it
 - aim to contribute to it within your (time and resource) possibilities
- If you are interested, send the MODE Steering board (Dorigo, Donini, Giammanco, Ratnikov, Vischia) an email with confirmation of the above and a short bio/CV: chances are we'll get you in!

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