

Generative AI and Mechanical Engineering

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The Task of Generative Learning

- Supervised learning: Learn a unknown conditional distribution f(y|x) from pairs of data (Y_i, X_i).
- Unsupervised learning: Learn a unknown distribution f(x) from data X_j.
- Reinforcement learning: Learn a policy from rewards
- Generative learning: Learn how to generate new samples from a unknown distribution f(x) on the basis of data $X_j \sim f(x)$.



The Challenge of Modern Generative Learning



From NVIDEA Style GAN, thispersondoesnotexist.com, Karras, Laine, Alia 2018

- **Challenge:** $X_j \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is high dimensional, $d \sim 10^6$.
- X_j could be images, a text messages, spoken language...
- Sampling from (log-) densities with MCMC is feasible, but need a density



Generative Adversarial Learning



- Min-Max two player game $\hat{\phi} \in \arg \min_{\phi \in \mathcal{H}} \sup_{D \in \mathcal{H}_D} \hat{L}(\phi, D, \{X_j\})$
- With $X_j \sim \mu$, $U_j \sim \lambda^{(d)}$, the empirical loss is defined as

$$\hat{L}(\phi, D, \{X_j\}) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} [\log(D(X_j)) + \log(1 - D(\phi(U_j)))]$$



Turbulence in Fluid Dynamics

- Turbulent flow is chaotic by nature
- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD): Simulation of turbulences by numerically solving Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho u) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial (\rho u)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho u \otimes u] = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \tau + \rho f$$
$$\frac{\partial (\rho e)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot ((\rho e + p)u) = \nabla \cdot (\tau \cdot u) + \rho f \cdot u + \nabla \cdot \dot{q} + r$$

 But: Turbulent flow develops ever smaller and faster structures which are hard to resolve numerically

Simulation of Turbulence



Comparison of turbulence modeling approaches. Source: (J. Hart 2016)

- Modeling turbulences challenging in practice but highly technical relevant
- LES/DNS: Simulation of large or even all scales of turbulence but: Enormous computational costs
- RANS/URANS: Struggle in simulation of fine details in vortex flow but: Computational costs are sustainable ⇒ mostly used in industry

Ergodicity: What Does "Chaotic" Actually Mean?

 Vortices always look different but in the long run their statistical properties are determined (ergodicty):

$$\lim_{T\to\infty}\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T f\circ\varphi_t(x_0)\,\mathrm{d}t = \int_\Omega f(x)\,\mathrm{d}\mu(x)\,\forall x_0\in\Omega. \tag{1}$$

 \Rightarrow The time average of a dynamical system equates with the ensemble average of its invariant measure.

- Probability measure μ on the flow configurations *x* encodes the statistical properties of the chaotic flow/dynamics $\varphi_t(x_0)$
- Goal: Sampling from the **unknown** measure $\mu \Rightarrow$ Can we **learn** μ **from data**?

Modeling Turbulence by GAN

Our contribution:

- GANs as another possibility to model turbulence
- Proof that GANs do converge for ergodic learning problems
- Generation of images that are as good as the output of the LES while requiring significantly less computation effort
- Numerical demonstration of generalization over changes in geometry
- Proof that physical quantities that characterize turbulence converge

Lorenz Attractor

 Less complex deterministic ergodic system given by the system of ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sigma(y - x)$$
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x(\rho - z) - y$$
$$\frac{dz}{dt} = xy - \beta z$$

with $\sigma = 10$, $\beta = \frac{8}{3}$ and $\rho = 28$.



Lorenz Attractor - Training



- Vanilla GAN for 200 000 epochs with batch size 20 000
- Trajectory started per epoch from randomly sampled initial point (x_0, y_0, z_0)
- Gaussian noise added to the network of discriminator and its real input data
- ϕ and D (deep) fully connected neural networks
- $U \in \mathbb{R}^{100}, U \sim U(0, 1)$

Lorenz Attractor - Results I



Trajectory consisting of 20 000 data points (red) and 3 000 synthesized data points (blue)



Lorenz Attractor - Results III



Rotated perspective from the trajectory of real data points (red) and the synthesized data points (blue).



Karman Vortex Street - Data

- Dataset: 5,000 images produced by LES
- Images: $w \times h = 1,000 \times 600$



Example of the dataset.



Karman Vortex Street - Training and Inference I

Training

- GAN frameworks:
 - Vanilla GAN
 - Wasserstein GAN
 - Deep convolutional GAN
- Epochs: 200
- Batch size: 20
- Input:
 - 5,000 LES images
 - Image size: $k \times k$, $k \in \{64, 128, 256, 512\}$
 - Noise vector $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{100}, Z \sim N(0, 1)$



Karman Vortex Street - Training and Inference II





Karman Vortex Street - Vanilla GAN



LES image

Fake image

Experiment settings:

- Architecture of ϕ and D: Fully connected NN with 5 layers
- Optimizer: Adam
- Learning rate: 2 · 10⁻⁴



Deep Convolutional GAN (DCGAN)



- Generator and discriminator are convolutional neural networks (CNNs)
- CNNs expecially successful and applicable in field of image processing



Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Network II

Guidelines to follow for stable training at higher resolution and deeper architectures:

- Stability: Apply batch normalization on the output layer of ϕ and the input layer of D
- Deeper architectures: Avoid fully-connected layers on top of convolutional features
- Higher resolution modeling: Leaky Rectified Linear Unit (ReLu) activation function for D
- ϕ and *D* learn own spatial up- or downsampling by by replacing deterministic spatial pooling layers with (fractional-) strided atrous convolutions (Radfort et al 2016)



Karman Vortex Street - Inference results after 2,000 Epochs





Karman Vortex Street - Inference results after 2,000 Epochs



Comparison of LES (top) and fake images (bottom) produced by generator ϕ trained for 2 000 epochs.

Sampling Results for the Karman Street



Results of the DCGAN after 1, 500, 1000, 1500 and 2000 Epochs of training



LPT Stator Under Periodic Wake Impact (LPT Stator) - Data

- Dataset: 2,250 images produced by LES
- Images: *w* × *h* = 1,000 × 625



Example of the dataset.



LPT Stator - DCGAN: Results



Examples of images generated by ϕ trained for 2 000 epochs with 2 250 images.



Conditional GAN (cGAN)



- Take control over the data production process by conditioning GAN framework
- Extension of loss function:

$$\mathcal{L}_{cond}(D,\phi) = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu}_{\eta \sim \nu} [\log(D(X|\eta))] + \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim \lambda}_{\eta \sim \nu} [\log(1 - D(\phi(Z|\eta)))]$$
(2)

LPT Stator - Conditional Training



LES image

Binary segmentation mask



High-Resolution Image Synthesis with Conditional GANs

- Special form of cGAN
- Generation of high-resolution photo-realistic images by conditioning the input of the adversarial network on the corresponding semantic label maps
- We use the NVIDEA pix2pixHD cGAN architecture, whose optimization problem is given as

$$\min_{\phi} \max_{D} \mathcal{L}_{cond}(D, \phi)$$
(3)



High-Resolution Image Synthesis with Conditional GANs

- Introduction of three innovations for improvement of photorealism and resolution of the synthesized images:
 - 1. Coarse-to-fine generator: Decomposition of the generator into two sub-networks $\Rightarrow \phi = \{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$
 - 2. Multi-scale discriminators: Three discriminators D_1, D_2 and D_3 with same architecture but operating on different scales \Rightarrow Modification of loss function:

$$\min_{\phi} \max_{D_1, D_2, D_3} \sum_{i=1}^{3} \mathcal{L}_{cond}(\phi, D_i)$$
(4)

- 3. Feature matching loss \mathcal{L}_{FM} : Stabilize training
- Loss function in total:

$$\min_{\phi} \left[\left(\max_{D_1, D_2, D_3} \sum_{i=1}^{3} \mathcal{L}_{cond}(\phi, D_i) \right) + \gamma \sum_{i=1}^{3} \mathcal{L}_{FM}(\phi, D_i) \right]$$

(5)

LPT-Stator - Experiment Settings

- Architecture: Adopted from original authors with small changes to avoid artifacts
- Epochs: 200
- Batch size: 10
- Input: 2,000 LES images, noise vector and masks of size k × k' = 992 × 624
- Optimizer: Adam
- Learning rate: $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$





LPT Stator - Inference Results I



LES image



LPT Stator - Results II



LES image



LPT Stator - Results III



LES image



LPT Stator - Results IV



LES image



Computational Costs

► LES:

- Performed on 560 CPU cores of the CPU type Intel Xeon "Skylake" Gold 6132 @2.6 GHz
- Karman vortex street (5 000 images): 72 core weeks $\hat{=}$ 1 days
- + LPT Stator (2250 images): 640 core weeks $\hat{=}$ 8 days

► GAN-Training:

- Performed on GPU of type Quadro RTX 8000 with 48 GB
- Karman vortex street (DCGAN, 2 000 epochs): 1.5 min/epoch
- LPT Stator (pix2pixHD, 200 epochs): 17 min/epoch

► GAN-Inference:

- Performed on GPU of type Quadro RTX 8000 with 48 GB
- Karman vortex street (DCGAN): 0.001 sec/image \Rightarrow 5 seconds
- + LPT Stator (pix2pixHD): 0.01 sec/image \Rightarrow 22.5 seconds



Genaralization for Unseen Geometry Configurations



- Repeat experiment with 5% of the images ommited around specific wake position
- During inference, position the wake at exactly the middle of that position
- results demonstrates generatization capability over unseen changes in geometry

Statistical Similarity vs Phsics



• Measure strength of turbulence (variation of c = |u| as a function of ξ

$$\operatorname{Var}[\mathbf{c}(\xi)] = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^\infty |\mathbf{c}(\xi, t) - \bar{\mathbf{c}}(\xi)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}t$$



Invertible Neural Networks - INN



Generative learning relates to inverse design



Dimension Matching



- In Design, usually there is a dimensioal mismatch between many input- and a few output parameters
- This can be used to generate design alternatives



Case study for a Multi Fuel Burner



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Design Parameters





Trained INN - Forward Mode





Trained INN - Backward Mode





Trained INN - Design Diversity





Summary

- Generative learning can be useful for applications beyond speech generation and computer vision
- Further data models, like deterministic chaos, can be combined with generative adversarial learning.
- Considerable speedup can be obtained during inference by GAN
- INN can help in inverse design
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