How can Physics Inform Deep Learning Methods in Scientific Problems:

Recent Progress and Future Prospects



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Outline

- Why Deep Learning Needs Physics?
- "Theory-guided Data Science"
- Recent Progress
- Future Prospects

Big Data in Physical and Life Sciences

Earth Science





- In-situ Sensors
- Model Simulations
- Experimental Data
- Survey Reports



Genomics



Material Science



Age of Data Science



Deep Learning

"Black-box" models learn patterns and models solely from data without relying on scientific knowledge

• Hugely successful in commercial applications:







NETFLIX



Google Al algorithm masters ancient game of Go

Promise of Data Science in Transforming Scientific Discovery

Preschool games promote math skills in India 2, et WIR samples pp. search target gut microbiomes Science MAAAS TRANSFORMS SCIENCE

Regulating products that

Chemical shifts from tiny

How Al is transforming science

Researchers are unleashing artificial intelligence (AI) on torrents of big data

"Unlike earlier attempts ... [AI systems] can see patterns and spot anomalies in data sets far larger and messier than human beings can cope with."

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Will the rapidly growing area of "black-box" data science models make existing theory-based

models obsolete?

The End of Science

The quest for knowledge used to begin with grand theories. Now it begins with massive amounts of data. Welcome to the Petabyte Age.

Wired Magazine, 2008

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nformation explosion

Limits of "Black-box" Data Science Methods

Science

The Parable of Google Flu: Traps in Big Data Analysis

- Predicted flu using Google search queries
- Overestimated by twice in later years



Climate Science:

Geophysical Research Letters

Statistical significance of climate sensitivity predictors obtained by data mining

The New York Times

The Opinion Pages | OP-ED CONTRIBUTORS

Eight (No, Nine!) Problems With Big Data By GARY MARCUS and ERNEST DAVIS APRIL 6, 2014

"... you will always need to start with an analysis that relies on an understanding of physics and biochemistry."

Why Do Black-box Methods Fail? (1/2)

- Scientific problems are often under-constrained
 - Complex, dynamic, and non-stationary relationships
 - Large number of variables, small number of samples
- Standard methods for evaluating ML models (e.g., cross-validation) break down
 - Easy to learn *spurious relationships* that look deceptively good on training and test sets
 - But lead to poor generalization outside the available data

Huge number of samples is critical to success of methods such as deep learning

Why Do Black-box Methods Fail? (2/2)

Interpretability is an important end-goal (esp. in scientific problems)

Can we open the black box of AI?



Artificial intelligence is everywhere. But before scientists trust it, they first need to understand how machines learn. - Castelvecchi 2016

- Need to explain or discover mechanisms of underlying processes to ...
 - Form a basis for scientific advancements
 - Safeguard against the learning of non-generalizable patterns

Theory-based vs. Data Science Models



Theory-based vs. Data Science Models



¹ Karpatne et al. "Theory-guided data science: A new paradigm for scientific discovery," TKDE 2017

Require large number of representative samples

Theory-guided Data Science: Emerging Applications

• Earth Science:

- Karpatne et al., "Physics-guided Neural Networks: Application in Lake Temperature Modeling," SDM 2018 (in review).
- Faghmous et al., "Theory-guided data science for climate change," IEEE Computer, 2014.
- Faghmous and Kumar, "A big data guide to understanding climate change: The case for theory-guided data science," Big data, 2014.

• Fluid Dynamics:

 Singh et al., "Machine learning- augmented predictive modeling of turbulent separated flows over airfoils," arXiv, 2016.

- Material Science:
 - Curtarolo et al., "The high-throughput highway to computational materials design," Nature Materials, 2013.
- Computational Chemistry:
 - Li et al., "Understanding machine-learned density functionals," International Journal of Quantum Chemistry, 2015.
- Neuroscience, Biomedicine, Particle Physics, ...







Workshop on Deep Learning for Physical Sciences 2017



"Physical Analytics" Research Division

An Overarching Objective of TGDS Learning Physically Consistent Models

- Traditionally, "simpler" models are preferred for generalizability
 - Basis of several statistical principles such as bias-variance trade-off



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- In scientific problems, "physical consistency" can be used as another measure of generalizability
 - Can help in pruning large spaces of inconsistent solutions
 - Result in generalizable *and* physically meaningful results

Generalization Performance ∞ Accuracy + Simplicity + **Consistency**

Physics-Guided Neural Networks (PGNN)

A Framework for Learning **Physically Consistent** Deep Learning Models



Karpatne et al., "Physics-guided neural networks (PGNN): Application in Lake Temperature Modeling," SDM 2018 (in review; **arXiv: 1710.11431**).

Case Study: Lake Temperature Modeling



Input Drivers:

Short-wave Radiation, Long-wave Radiation, Air Temperature, Relative Humidity, Wind Speed, Rain, ...

Target Output:

Temp. of water at every depth



Physics-based Approach: General Lake Model (GLM)¹

- Captures physical processes responsible for energy balance
- Requires *lake-specific calibration* using large amounts of data and computational resources

RMSE of Uncalibrated Model: 2.57 RMSE of Calibrated Model: 1.26 (for Lake Mille Lacs in Minnesota)

¹Hipsey et al., 2014

PGNN 1: Use GLM Output as Input in Neural Network

- Deep Learning can augment physics-based models by modeling their *errors*
- Part of a broader research theme on creating hybrid-physics-data models



Loss Function = Training Loss $(Y, \hat{Y}) + \lambda_1 ||W||_1 + \lambda_2 ||W||_2$

PGNN 2: Use Physics-based Loss Functions

 Temp estimates need to be consistent with physical relationships b/w temp, density, and depth



Loss Function = Tr. Loss $(Y, \hat{Y}) + \lambda_1 \|W\|_1 + \lambda_2 \|W\|_2 + \lambda_{PHY}$ Physics-based Loss

Does not require labels!

Physical Consistency Ensures Generalizability



Future Prospects: Theory-guided Data Science

1. Theory-guided Learning

- Choice of Loss Function
- Constrained Optimization
 Methods
- Probabilistic Models

[Limnology, Chemistry, Biomedicine, Climate, Genomics]

- 2. Theory-guided Design
- Choice of Response/Loss Functions
- Design of Model Architecture

[Turbulence Modeling, Neuroscience]

- 3. Theory-guided Refinement
 - Post-processing
 - Pruning

[Remote Sensing, Material Science]

- 4. Creating Hybrid Models of Theory and Data Science
- Residual Modeling
- Predicting Intermediate Quantities
 [Hydrology, Turbulence Modeling]
- 5. Augmenting Theory-based Models using Data
 - Calibrating Model Parameters
 - Data Assimilation

[Hydrology, Climate Science, Fluid Dynamics]

Concluding Remarks

- "Black-box" deep learning methods not sufficient for knowledge discovery in scientific domains
- Physics can be combined with deep learning in a variety of ways under the paradigm of "theory-guided data science"
- Use of physical knowledge ensures physical consistency as well as generalizability
- Theory-guided data science is already starting to gain attention in several disciplines:
 - Climate science and hydrology
 - Turbulence modeling
 - Bio-medical science
 - Bio-marker discovery
 - Material discovery
 - Computational chemistry, ...

Thank You!

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