# Physics-Informed Generative Neural Networks for Stochastic Differential Equations

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#### Introduction

- Study of stochastic PDEs using machine learning.
- Focus on Physics-Informed Neural Networks (PINNs).
- Integration of randomness via Polynomial Chaos and Karhunen-Loève expansions.
- Final utility: modelize and infer on random fields

### Random Fields

- Random function:  $X(s, \omega)$ .
- Gaussian Random Field (GRF): finite collections  $\sim \mathcal{N}_n(\mu, \Sigma)$ .
- Covariance: C(x, y) = Cov(Z(x), Z(y)).
- Stationarity: X is second order stationary if  $Var[Z(x)] < \infty$ ,

$$\forall s, t, \tau \in \mathbb{R}, \ \mathbb{E}[X(s)] = \mathbb{E}[X(s+\tau)],$$

$$Cov(Z(s),Z(t)) = C(s,t) = Cov(X(s + \tau),X(t + \tau)).$$

In this case, we can note the auto-covariance  $\mathcal{C}(h)$  in function of a lag h=s-t

## Variogram and Correlogram

Variogram of a second-order stationary random field:

$$\gamma(h) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}[(X(s+h) - X(s))^2]$$

We can use the empirical estimator:

$$\hat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{2|N(h)|} \sum_{(i,j) \in N(h)} (Z(x_i) - Z(x_j))^2$$

In practice, we will look at the correlogram:

$$\rho(h) = 1 - \frac{\gamma(h)}{\sigma^2}$$

## Hermite Polynomials

Defined by:

$$H_n(x) = (-1)^n e^{x^2/2} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-x^2/2})$$

Orthogonality:

$$\int H_n(x)H_m(x)\,\frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}dx = n!\,\delta_{nm}$$

Recurrence:

$$H_{n+1}(x) = xH_n(x) - nH_{n-1}(x)$$

Can be used as a basis for random function spaces.

# Polynomial Chaos Expansion (PCE)

Any random variable  $X \in L^2(\Omega)$  can be written as

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^N} c_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\xi}(\omega))$$

Truncated:

$$X(\omega) pprox \sum_{|lpha| \leq p} c_lpha \Psi_lpha(oldsymbol{\xi}(\omega))$$

Where  ${m \xi}$  is a gaussian vector. We will be using  $\Psi_{lpha}=H_{lpha}$ 

### Karhunen-Loève Expansion

For a random field  $X(s, \omega)$  with covariance C(s, t):

$$X(s,\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\lambda_n} \, \phi_n(s) \, \xi_n(\omega)$$

where  $\{\lambda_n, \phi_n\}$  are eigenpairs of the covariance operator:

$$\int_D C(s,t) \phi_n(t) dt = \lambda_n \phi_n(s),$$

The truncated KL expansion is a minimal representation of a Gaussian Random Field.

### Stochastic PDE

$$\mathfrak{D}u(t,x)=f(t,x,u)+g(t,x,u)\,W(t,x)$$

- ullet  ${\mathfrak D}$ : differential operator.
- u: unknown random field.
- W: Random field.

### Collocation Methods

Approximation:

$$u_N(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N c_j \varphi_j(x)$$

Enforce SPDE at collocation points:

$$\mathfrak{D}u_N(x_i)=f(x_i)+W(x_i)$$

The solve a linear system: Ac = f + W. Such methods are suited for pointwise-defined random fields, but not for distribution-based ones (i.e. solutions of weak forms of problems).

## Physics-Informed Neural Networks

Our type of SPDE:

$$\mathfrak{D}u(x) = f(x), \quad x \in D, \quad f \quad \text{a GRF}$$

Loss:

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \frac{1}{N_f} \sum_{j=1}^{N_f} \|\mathfrak{D}[u_{\theta}(\mathsf{x}_j)] - f(\mathsf{x}_j)\|^2$$

The goal being to replace the system solving of a collocation method by a neural network.

Here, we will use Multi-Layer Perceptrons, with hyperbolic tangent activation function.

### Matérn Covariance

A Matérn random field is a second-order GRF with the covariance:

$$C(h) = \sigma^2 \frac{2^{1-\nu}}{\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \frac{\|h\|}{\rho} \right)^{\nu} K_{\nu} \left( \frac{\|h\|}{\rho} \right)$$

A Matérn field X is equivalent to an Exponential random field if  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$ .

### Matérn SPDE

A Matérn random field can be defined as the solution of the SPDE:

$$(\kappa^2 - \Delta)^{\alpha/2} X(s) \stackrel{d}{=} W(s)$$

Where W is a Gaussian white-noise, a generalized random field (i.e. that is only defined in the weak sense).

We know that the solution X is a Matérn GRF with regularity  $\nu=\alpha-\frac{\dim \Omega}{2}$ . We will note  $\mathfrak{D}=\kappa^2-\Delta$ .

### Modified Matérn SPDE

We will here look at a kind of simplified version of the Matérn SPDE, that is pointwise-defined:

$$\mathfrak{D}X \stackrel{d}{=} Y$$

Where Y is an Exponential random field, and the solution X is a Matérn GRF with  $\nu=\frac{5}{2}$ . This equation can be linked to the first one with the recurrence relation:

$$\mathfrak{D}X_{\alpha} \stackrel{d}{=} X_{\alpha-2} \Leftrightarrow X_{\alpha} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathfrak{D}^{-1}X_{\alpha-2}$$

such that  $(\kappa^2 - \Delta)^{\alpha} X^{\alpha}(s) \stackrel{d}{=} W(s)$ 

## KL expansion of an Exponential GRF

We want the KL expansion at rank N of a field Y with  $C_Y(x_1,y_1)=\sigma_Y^2\exp\left(-\frac{|x_1-y_1|}{\eta}\right)$  on a segment  $\left[-\frac{L}{2},\frac{L}{2}\right]$  of size  $L\in\mathbb{R}$ :

$$\widetilde{Y}(\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sqrt{\lambda_n} \, \phi_n(s) \, \xi_n(\omega)$$

## KL expansion of an Exponential GRF

We know<sup>1</sup>that:

$$\lambda_n = \frac{2\eta\sigma_Y^2}{\eta^2 w_n^2 + 1},$$

and

$$\phi_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\eta^2 w_n^2 + 1)L/2 + \eta}} [\eta w_n \cos(w_n x) + \sin(w_n x)],$$

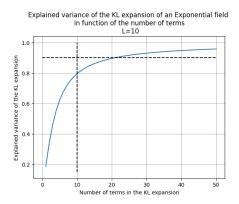
Where  $w_n$  are positive roots of the characteristic equation:

$$(\eta^2 w^2 - 1)\sin(wL) = 2\eta w \cos(wL).$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Based on the article *An efficient, high-order perturbation approach for flow in ran-dom porous media via Karhunen–Loeve and polynomial expansions* by Dongxiao Zhang and Zhiming Lu

## KL expansion of an Exponential GRF

The sum of truncated eigenvalues correspond to the part explained variance of the expanded field.



### Multivariate Polynomial Chaos

For the case where we want to expand a multivariate random variable  $U(\omega)$ , the sum is made on a family of multi-indexes that assemble in each term several Hermite polynomials evaluated at different independant Gaussian variables, making the expansion a multidimensional representation  $^2$ . Let  $\lambda(p)$  be the sub-set of multi-indices such that they correspond to a  $p^{\rm th}$  - order set:

$$\lambda(p) = \left\{ \gamma : \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i = p \right\}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>From the book *Spectral Methods for Uncertainty Quantification*, O.P. Le Maître and O.M. Knio

### Multivariate Polynomial Chaos

We can construct the set of  $p^{\text{th}}$  - order polynomials to represent our multidimensional random space, by assembling Hermite polynomials evaluated at different  $\xi_i$  as such:

$$\mathcal{H}(oldsymbol{\xi}) := \left\{ igcup_{\gamma \in \lambda(oldsymbol{
ho})} \prod_{i=1}^N \psi_{\gamma_i}(\xi_i) 
ight\}.$$

### Multivariate Polynomial Chaos

Weighted tensor product between the vectors of Hermite polynomials evaluated at the different random variables  $(H_0(\xi_1), H_1(\xi_1), ...)^T$ ,  $(H_0(\xi_2), H_1(\xi_2), ...)^T$ , ...,  $(H_0(\xi_N), H_1(\xi_N), ...)^T$ . For example, in the 2D case  $(\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\xi_1, \xi_2))$ , the Hermite expansion can be expressed as:

$$U = u_0 \psi_0 + u_1 \psi_1(\xi_1) + u_2 \psi_1(\xi_2)$$

$$+ u_{11} \psi_2(\xi_1) + u_{21} \psi_1(\xi_2) \psi_1(\xi_1) + u_{22} \psi_2(\xi_2)$$

$$+ u_{111} \psi_3(\xi_1) + u_{211} \psi_1(\xi_2) \psi_2(\xi_1) + u_{221} \psi_2(\xi_2) \psi_1(\xi_1)$$

$$+ u_{222} \psi_3(\xi_2) + u_{1111} \psi_4(\xi_1) + \cdots$$

### The neural network

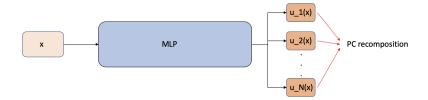


Figure: The idea of a PINN with PC-modes output

### The Loss function

For the training of one neural network, we take a maximal order of Hermite polynomials for the PC expansion  $N_{PC}$ , and a maximal degree of KL expansion  $N_{KL}$ . The number of terms in the tensor product (and the number of weights) is:

$$\mathcal{N} := \begin{pmatrix} N_{PC} \\ N_{KL} + N_{PC} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the output of our neural network will be:

$$U_{ heta}^{NN}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} u_0(x) \\ \vdots \\ u_{\mathcal{N}}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

### The Loss function

For  $\mathfrak{D}X = Y$ , we will compute the truncated KL expansion of Y:

$$Y_{KL}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{KL}} \xi_i \sqrt{\lambda_i^{Y}} f_i^{Y}(x)$$

Using the same source of randomness, we have the PC reconstruction of the field generated by the NN:

$$PC[U_{\theta}^{NN}(x)] = \langle U_{\theta}^{NN}(x), \mathcal{H}(\xi) \rangle$$

### The Loss function

$$\mathcal{L}_{\theta} = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathsf{KL}}} \xi_{i} \sqrt{\lambda_{i}^{\mathsf{Y}}} f_{i}^{\mathsf{Y}}(\mathsf{x}) - \mathfrak{D} \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} u_{0}(\mathsf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ u_{\mathcal{N}}(\mathsf{x}) \end{pmatrix}, \; \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \right\rangle \right\|^{2}$$

This formula is meaned over K draws of gaussian vectors for one epoch (and one batch of collocation points).

### Results

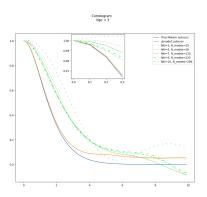
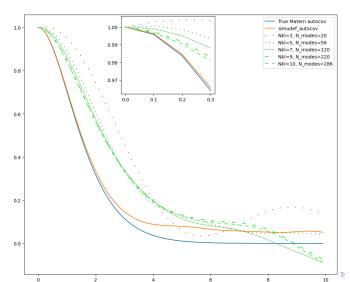


Figure: Trained neural networks results - Meaned correlograms of each model, for 500 samples.

Hyperparameters: learning rate =  $10^{-3}$ , number of epochs = 5000, 8 neural layers of size 64, 1024 draws of gaussian vectors per epoch, and a collocation points batch size of 256 per epoch.

### Results





#### Results - error metric

We want to compare empirically our trained neural networks using the correlograms with more than our eyes. We simply use a squared mean distance between each correlogram, but we wanto compute this distance where the autocovariance values are significative.

Practical correlation range of our random fields:

$$\rho = \sqrt{8*\nu*\frac{1}{\kappa}}$$

### Results

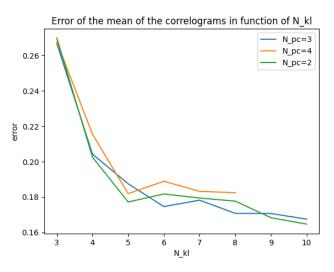


Figure: Error metrics

#### Libraries

#### JAX

- Python library for Deep Learning, function-oriented.
- Provides tools for manual vectorization and just-in-time compilation.
- Additional JAX-based libraries used:
  - Equinox
  - Optax
  - Jinns

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- Used for Hermite polynomial construction.
- Incompatible with JAX, requiring experimental features.
- Had to use CPU callback to handle integration.

### computation times

$N_{KL}\downarrow N_{PC} ightarrow$	3
5	$\mathcal{N}=$ 56, 513 $s$
6	N = 84,794 s
7	$\mathcal{N} = 120$ , 2045 s
8	$\mathcal{N}=$ 165, 3894 $s$
9	$\mathcal{N} = 220, 5596 \ s$
10	$\mathcal{N} = 286, 8534 \ s$

Table: Some computation times, with the corresponding number of multivariate PC expansion modes  $\mathcal N$  for trainings with hyperparameters: learning rate =  $10^{-3}$ , number of epochs = 5000, 8 neural layers of size 64, 1024 draws of gaussian vectors per epoch, and a collocation points batch size of 256 per epoch.

For the same hyperparameters, with  $N_{KL}=9$  and  $N_{PC}=5$ , we have  $\mathcal{N}=2002$  and a computation time of 61087s

#### Conclusion

- Introduced stochastic PDEs and random field representations.
- Integrated PCE and KL expansions into PINNs.
- Open issues: training stability, variance representation.
- Prepared the terrain for Generative models based on probability distribution metrics and weak form of the problems.

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