

# Landscape Net

*An Application of the Landscape Theory in Machine Learning for  
Eigenvalue Counting*

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# Introduction

Code available at

<https://github.com/nehcili/Wave-Localization>

## Mathematical Setting

- Space:  $L^2(\mathbb{Z} \cap [0, 1000])$ .
- Hamiltonian:  $-\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}} + V$  with periodic boundary condition.
- Properties of  $V$ :
  - 1  $V(x)$  are iid distributions for  $x \in \mathbb{Z} \cap [0, 1000]$ ,
  - 2  $V \geq 0$

## Objective

Accurately and efficiently approximate the eigenvalue counting

$$N_V(E) = \# \text{ of eigenvalues of } -\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}} + V \text{ less or equal to } E$$

# Introduction

## Method

We develop a neural net architecture which attempts to generalize the landscape box counting (c.f. David, G., Filoche, M., Mayboroda, S.)

# Machine Learning

- Suppose that a set of features  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  determines certain quantity  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  via  $t = F(x)$  for some  $F$ . Assume also that  $x$  is generated through some random process.
- We would like to approximate  $F$ . We need 3 things:
  - ① A loss function to minimize. We choose a (distance) function  $l : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which quantify the error and set

$$L_0(f) := \mathbb{E}_x[l(f(x), t)]$$

Think  $l(x, y) = (x - y)^2$ .

- ② We choose a function space parameterized by  $\mathbb{R}^m$

$$\{f_\theta : \theta \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$$

on which we minimize  $L_0$ . I.e. we select

$$f_{\theta_0} = \operatorname{argmin}_\theta L_0(f_\theta)$$

- ③ Minimization scheme.

# Empirical loss

- In practice, given observed training data  $(x_1, t_1), \dots, (x_N, t_N)$ , we minimize the empirical error

$$L(f) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N l(f(x_i), t_i)$$

- Common choices of  $l(x, y)$ :
  - 1  $L^1$  norm: mean absolute error
  - 2 Square of  $L^2$  norm: mean squared error
  - 3  $(x - y)/y \times 100\%$ : mean absolute percent error
  - 4  $[\log(x/y)]^2, \dots$
- When  $N$  is large, minimizing  $L$  is very difficult numerically. So we will need a suitable minimization scheme.

# Architecture: choice of function space

- For a deep neural net, its function spaces consists of functions of the form

$$f_1 \circ f_2 \circ \cdots \circ f_n$$

where each  $f_i$  is a simpler function. Each  $f_i$  is called a layer

- Two common and simplest layers are
  - 1 Dense layer
  - 2 Convolution layer

# Dense layer

- input:  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , output  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- Parameters:
  - ①  $W$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix. The weight matrix
  - ②  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the bias vector
  - ③ An activation function  $\sigma$  (e.g. Heaviside,  $\max(0, \cdot)$ )
- Action

$$y = \sigma(Ax + b)$$

# Convolution layer

- A convolution layer is a dense layer. But sparse.
- input:  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , output  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- Parameters:
  - ①  $k, s \in \mathbb{Z} > 0$  are the kernel size and stride, respectively.
  - ②  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix. In the  $i$ -th row, all entries but  $A_{i,si}, \dots, A_{i,si+k-1}$  are zero. Moreover, every row of  $A$  is equal upto a shift (by integer multiples of  $s$ ).
  - ③  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the basis vector
  - ④ An activation function  $\sigma$  (e.g. Heaviside,  $\max(0, \cdot)$ )
- Action

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- cartoon: [https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\\_arithmetic](https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv_arithmetic)



# Training: minimization scheme

- To minimize

$$L(f) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N l(f(x_i), t_i),$$

we perform gradient descend on  $\theta$  (from  $f_\theta$ ). In practice, computing the gradient with all training data is costly and a stochastic version is used:

- 1 Iterate over training data until convergence (each iteration is an epoch)
- 2 For each epoch, divide the training data into batches, where each batch contains a small amount of training data. We iterate over the batches.
- 3 For each batch, perform gradient descent.

# Result

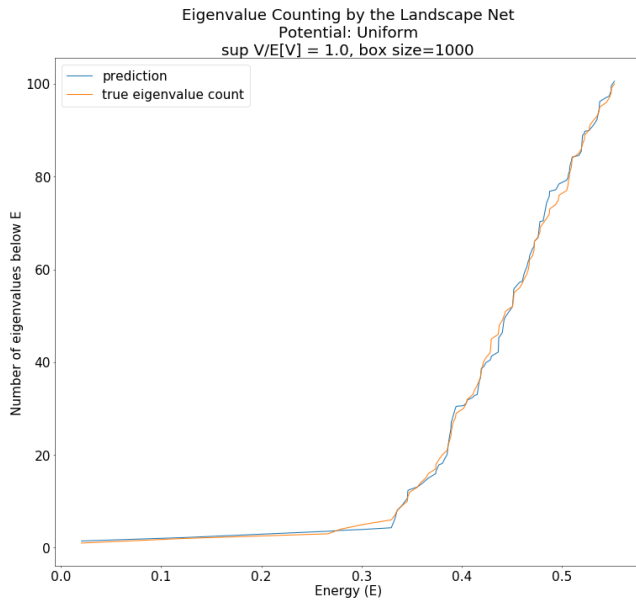
## Summary

Training time	Training error	Test error	Trainable Params
1 hour	$\approx 1$ to $2$	$\approx 2$ to $3$	$\approx 77,000$

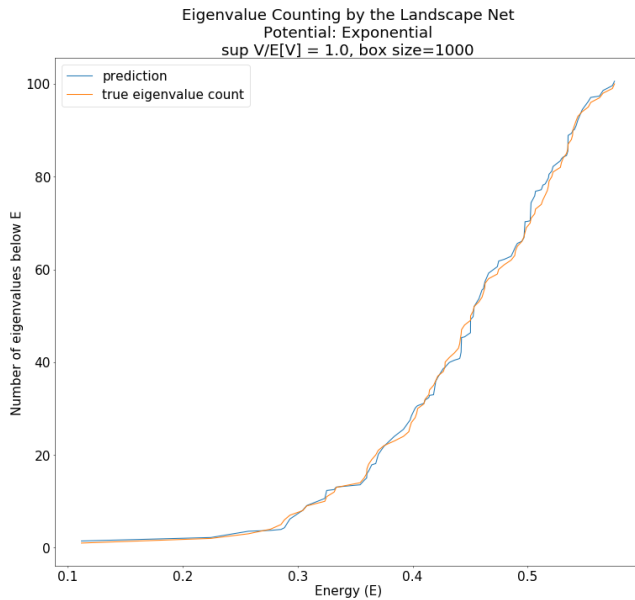
## Training/Testing

- We trained 300 sets of data where each set consists of 100 tuples: (features, targets).  $N = 300 \times 100$  for error computation.
- A feature is some combinations of the original potential  $V$ , the landscape potential  $W$  (and its derivative), the energy  $E$ . A target is the true eigenvalue counting.
- We tested on 30 sets of independent data.  $N = 30 \times 100$  for error computation.

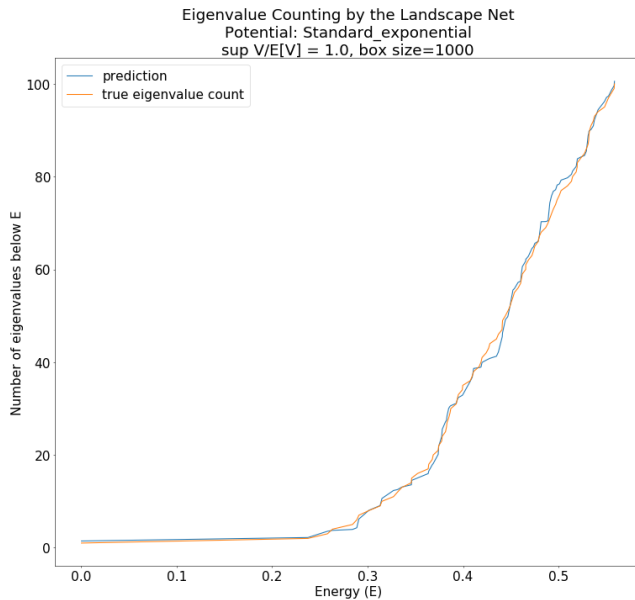
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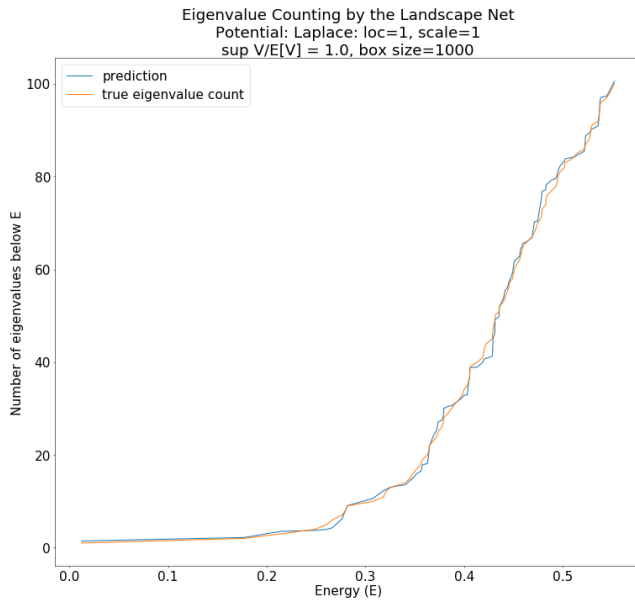
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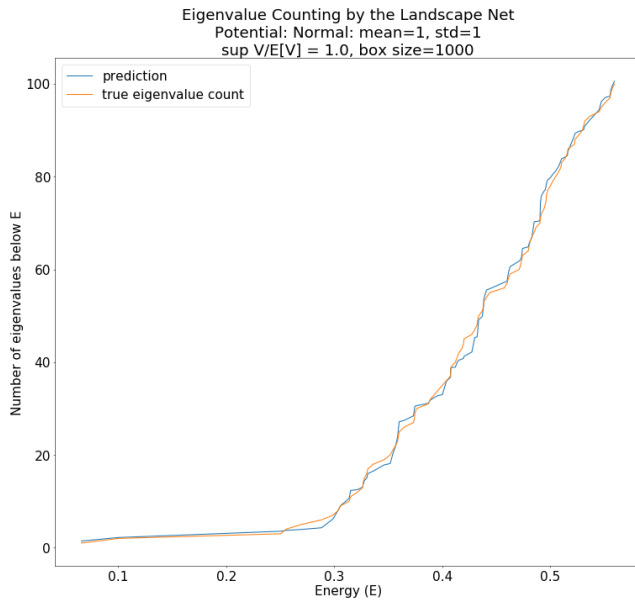
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# Sensitivity of the landscape potential

- This project first started as an attempt to build a neural net to compute the first  $N$  eigenvalues given an input potential.

potential  $\rightarrow N$  eigenvalues

- In the same setting, we trained a simple model to predict the first  $N = 20$  eigenvalues. The model has the following architecture:

input  $\mapsto$  4 convolution layers  $\mapsto$  3 dense layers  $\mapsto$  output



# Sensitivity of the landscape potential

- We trained 2 copies of the simple model with two feature and target pairs: using  $V$  vs using  $W$  as different feature input while keeping the same target (first 20 true eigenvalues) for each case.
- The result is very dramatic. ( $N = 20$  below)

Input	Training time	Training error*	Test error*
$V$	15 min	$\approx 9\%$	$\approx 10\%$
$W = 1/u$	15 min	$\approx 2\%$	$\approx 2\%$

\* error = mean absolute percent error (i.e.

$l(x, y) = (x - y)/y \times 100\%$ ,  $y$  is the true target)

# Box counting

- Let  $W$  denote the landscape potential and  $\Omega = [0, L]^d$  or  $[0, L]^d \cap \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $N^W(E) := \#$  of cubes on which  $\inf W \leq E$ , among all cubes that tile the domain  $\Omega$  with side length  $E^{-1/2}$ ,
- For suitable potentials, one can prove that (c.f. David, G., Filoche, M., Mayboroda, S., and Zhang, S., Wang, W.)

$$c_1 N^W(c_2 E) \leq N_V(E) \leq C_3 N^W(C_4 E).$$

for suitable constants  $c_1, c_2, C_3, C_4$ .

# Box counting

- We can use box counting as a regression model with 2 parameters  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ :

$$\text{predicted eigenvalue count} = c_1 N^W(c_2 E)$$

- Pros of box counting
  - ① Computationally fast. Time complexity =  $O(\text{time to compute landscape potential})$ .
  - ② Scalable: works on arbitrarily large domains. Only has 2 parameters.
  - ③ Already relatively accurate
- Limitation: when used as a regression model, it only has 2 parameters: under fitting.
- So we would like to add some more parameters and pay a bit more time to get a more accurate result.

# Generalizing box counting

- The current box counting can be written as

$$\sum_{\text{cubes}} \Theta(f(W, E) |_{\text{cube}}),$$

summed over cubes of side length  $E^{-1/2}$  and

- 1  $\Theta$  is the Heaviside function,
  - 2  $f(W, E) |_{\text{cube}} = E - \inf_{\text{cube}} W$ .
- We generalize this expression as

$$\sum_{\text{cubes}} w_{\text{cube}} G(f(W, E) |_{\text{cube}})$$

where the sum is summed over cubes that tile the domain and

- 1  $G$  is an activation function (e.g. Heaviside,  $\max(0, \cdot)$ , etc),
  - 2  $w_{\text{cube}}$  are weights,
  - 3  $f$  is to be learned from training on data.
- This is nothing but a dense layer in a neural net!

# How to train for $f$ ?

- Observation: if  $\rho$  is the true density such that  $N_V(E) = \int \rho$ , then by picking

①  $f(W, E) = \int_{\text{cube}} \rho$

②  $G(x) = \max(0, x)$

③  $w_{\text{cube}} = 1$

our model includes this case. Can we learn something from  $\rho$ ?

- Yes! If the Hamiltonian is  $-\hbar^2 \Delta + V$  (on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ), then

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x) &= \hbar^{-3} \int dp \, 1_{\{p^2 + W(x) - E < 0\}} \text{ (Weyl term)} \\ &\quad + \hbar^{-1} \sum_i F_i(V(x), W(x), \nabla W(x)) \int dp \, G_i(p^2 + W(x) - E) \\ &\quad + O(\hbar) \end{aligned}$$

for some local functions  $F_i$  and  $G_i$

- We simply follow this format for  $f$ .

# Decider blocks

- A decider block consists of 3 convolution layers  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  with architecture

$$(x_i, V, W, W') \mapsto f_1(x_i) + f_2(V, W, W') \cdot f_3(x_i) = x_{i+1}$$

where  $x_0 = (V - E, W - E)$ .

- We will feed the output of a previous decider block,  $x_i$ , to the next decider block as  $(x_i, V, W, W')$ .
- Then, We place in series several decider blocks to form the decider block layer, which tries to learn  $f$ .

# Architecture of the landscape net

- Recall that our generalization to box counting is

$$\sum_{\text{cubes}} w_{\text{cube}} G(f(W, E) |_{\text{cube}})$$

- Landscape net. Input =  $V, W, E$

input  $\rightarrow$  decider blocks layer (this is  $f$ )

$\rightarrow$  convolution layers (this is part of the box counting sum)

$\rightarrow$  dense layers (this is part of the box counting sum)

$\rightarrow$  output: prediction for  $N_V(E)$

# Analysis of the model

- As it stands, the current architecture probably can be scaled up. Since we mainly use convolution layers and such layers with stride  $s$  reduces the input dimension by a factor of  $s$ . Let  $N$  denote the input dimension. We will need  $\log_s(N)$  layers, each with  $k \geq s$  parameters.
- At each layer there is at most  $kN$  operations.
- If we have  $C$  channels (i.e. number of parallel layers), we have  $C^2 kN$  operation per layer since every channel sends signal to every other channel.
- In total, we have a time complexity of  $O(C^2 kN \log_s(N))$  (compared to the  $O(N)$  time complexity of box counting).
- For a very rough perspective. The popular image classifier AlexNet has a parameter size/input dimension ratio of 400. Landscape Net has 77.