# Machine learning material models for multiscale topology optimization

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#### Introduction

- Work done on LDRD 20-ERD-020 Surrogates for Lattices (Seth Watts PI)
- Kenny Swartz, Dan White, and Seth Watts have been tremendously helpful
- Topics for today
  - What's been done so far:
    - Why we are doing this
    - Multiscale topology optimization
    - Homogenization databases
  - Work in progress:
    - Machine learning material models
    - C++ implementation
- Very much want feedback on work in progress!



## Additive manufacturing advancements create interesting design problems

- 3D print unit cell microstructures
  - Octet truss lattice
  - Density control by changing rod radii
- Lattice of unit cells
  - 3D printed with different radii
  - Functional graded density
- Design entire structures from lattices
  - How to change all of the rod radii to give optimal structures?
  - Design possibilities exceed our intuition
  - 100x50x20 = 100,000 different unit cells



Figured modified from Zheng et al. [1].



### **Density based topology optimization to find optimal designs**

- Topology optimization has been a way to design complex structures that exceed our intuition
- Classical Finite Element Method
  - Linear static loads
  - Small strains
- Givens: domain and boundary condition
- Problem: find the best placement of material
- **Goal:** minimize structural compliance
  - Subject to a mass constraint
- $\rho_i$  Each finite element is given a density
  - Between zero (no material) and one (full material)

subject to  $K(\rho)u = f$ 

n $\rho_i v_i \le m$ 

 $0 < \rho_{i}$ 



### **Topology optimization example on cantilever beam**

With a limited amount of material, find the best cantilever beam that minimizes compliance.





Red represents density of 1, blue represents density of 0. Design evolution using continuation method.

Figures from Guest et al. [2].



### Design of lattice structures via multiscale topology optimization

- Just like the previous topology optimization problem
- Givens: domain and boundary condition
- Problem: find the best distribution of rod radii
- Goal: minimize structural compliance
  - Subject to a mass constraint
- Each finite element has a fixed rod radius  $r_i$ 
  - Lower and upper bound on the rod size
  - Based on what is physically possible to 3D print
- Optimally designed structure that can be directly created with additive manufacturing!



subject to K(r)u = f

 $\sum_{i}^{n} \hat{\rho}(r_i) v_i \le m$ 

 $r_{lb} < r_i \leq r_{ub}$ 



## **Comparison of topology optimization with multiscale design**

- Black is fully dense finite element cell
- White is no material
- For the truss lattices
  - Black being largest rod radius
  - White no material (or smallest radius)
  - Grey is some radius in between



Classical topology optimization of MBB beam (with domain symmetry)



Octet truss beam



#### ORC truss beam



Figures from Watts et al. [3]



#### Multiscale topology optimization result in 3D



Optimal 3D MBB beam made of ORC truss microstructure. See the variation of rod radii throughout the structure. Figure from Watts et al. [3].



## Machine learning model use in multiscale topology optimization

 $\hat{v}(r)$ 

(!(r)

- Machine learning models are used to describe the microstructure scale
- Model of volume fraction as function of rod radius
- Finite element stiffness as a function of rod radius
  - Use ML to predict homogenized stiffness matrix
  - As a function of the truss rod radius

 $= \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & C_{13} & C_{14} & C_{15} & C_{16} \\ & C_{22} & C_{23} & C_{24} & C_{25} & C_{26} \\ & & C_{33} & C_{34} & C_{35} & C_{36} \\ & & & C_{44} & C_{45} & C_{46} \\ & & & & & C_{55} & C_{56} \\ & & & & & & C_{66} \end{bmatrix}$ 



#### **Homogenized ML material models**

- Performed homogenization on various truss microstructures
- Use a unit Young's modus, but specified Poisson's ratio
  - Allows us to switch between different isotropic printing materials
  - Reduces the number of unknowns by 1
- Most microstructures have an orthotropic response
- ML model learns Voigt stiffness matrix as function of geometry and Poisson's ratio







#### The ML material models are meant to be used in a design tool

- Assumptions: Linear static and small strain
- This is not going to give you highly resolved structural behavior
  - No impacts, no failures
  - Still need to run highly resolved simulations for these
- The design tool is meant to answer the question:
  - Given a possible brick of material
  - Where and how can we place unit cell microstructures



#### Homogenization databases of various structures

TPMS Structure	Orthotropic	Number of data
fischer_koch_cp	Yes	199
gyroid	No	184
neovius	Yes	197
schoen_frd	Yes	199
schoen_iwp	Yes	200
schwarz_d	No	190
schwarz_p	Yes	200

Structures	Orthotropic
IsoTruss	Yes
OctetTruss	Yes
ORCTruss	Yes
RDTruss	Yes
SCTruss	Yes
TOTruss	Yes



#### Solid and hollow truss lattices







#### **Implicit lattice representations**





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### **Triply Periodic Minimal Surfaces (TPMS)**

	Gyroid (Schoen G)	Primitive (Schwarz-P)	Diamond (Schwarz-D)	Neovius	Schoen F-RD
Unit Cell					
Generating Function	$f(x,y,z) = \sin(x)\cos(y) + \sin(y)\cos(z) + \sin(z)\cos(x)$	f(x,y,z) = cos(x) + cos(y) + cos(z)	f(x,y,z) = sin(x)sin(y)sin(z) + sin(x)cos(y)cos(z) $+ cos(x)sin(y)cos(z) + cos(x)cos(y)sin(z)$	$f(x,y,z) = 3(\cos(x)+\cos(y)+\cos(z))$ + 4cos(x)cos(y)cos(z)	$f(x,y,z) = \cos(x)\cos(y)\cos(z) - 0.1(\cos(2x)\cos(2y)\cos(2z) + 0.1(\cos(2x)\cos(2y) + \cos(2y)\cos(2z) + \cos(2z)\cos(2z) + \cos(2z)\cos(2z))$



#### **Enforcing that our ML models produce Symmetric Positive Definite (SPD) matrices**

- Stiffness matrix predictions from ML model should be SPD
- Implemented SPD enforcement methods from literature as "neural network layers"
  - "spdlayers" improve model accuracy compared to models that don't enforce SPD [4]
- Model on the right:
  - Two inputs (rod radius, Poisson ratio)
  - Outputs Voigt stiffness matrix (6 x 6)
  - One hidden layer neural network, with SPD enforcement
- <u>https://github.com/LLNL/spdlayers</u>



```
import torch.nn as nn
import spdlayers
hidden size = 100
```

```
hidden_size = 100
n_features = 2
out_shape = 6
in_shape = spdlayers.in_shape_from(out_shape)
```



### How does spdlayers work?

- Cholesky decomposition [5]  $\ oldsymbol{C} = oldsymbol{L} oldsymbol{L}^{ oldsymbol{T}}$ 
  - ML model predicts lower triangular form
  - "FIX" negative diagonal
  - Do  $LL^{[1]}$  with positive diagonal L
  - Code shown on right
- Exponential map [6]
  - Described as a tangent plane that is always SPD
  - Do eigenvalue decomposition
  - "FIX" negative eigenvalues
  - Reassemble C with corrected eigenvalues and original eigenvectors

```
def forward(self, x):
```

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.....
```

Generate SPD tensors from  $\boldsymbol{x}$ 

#### Args:

x (Tensor): Tensor to generate predictions for. Must have 2d shape of form (:, input\_shape). If symmetry='anisotropic', the expected

`input\_shape = sum([i for i in range(output\_shape + 1)])`. If symmetry='orthotropic', then the expected `input\_shape=9`.

#### Returns:

return out

(Tensor): The predictions of the neural network. Will return shape (:, output\_shape, output\_shape)

```
.....
```

# enforce positive values for the diagonal

```
x = torch.where(self.is_diag, self.positive_fun(x) + self.min_value, x)
```

# init a Zero lower triangle tensor

```
L[:, self.inds_a, self.inds_b] = x
LT = L.transpose(1, 2) # lower triangle transpose
out = torch.matmul(L, LT) # return the SPD tensor
```



## Fitting ML model via Sobolev norm to ensure accurate derivatives for topology optimization

- Derivates are important!
- Our ML material model must be differentiable for topology optimization
- ML model is trained to minimize the Sobolev norm [7]
  - ML model parameters  $oldsymbol{eta}$
  - Hat denotes ML prediction
  - Rod radius  $\, \gamma \,$
  - Voigt stiffness matrix  $\, C \,$
  - Sobolev weighting coefficient  $\, m$

$$\min_{\beta} \|\hat{\boldsymbol{C}}(r) - \boldsymbol{C}(r)\| + m \|\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{C}}(r)}{\partial r} - \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{C}(r)}{\partial r}\|$$



#### **ML model woes**

- For each microstructure we need ML models for
  - Volume fraction
  - Homogenized stiffness matrix
  - Homogenized thermal conductivity
  - Homogenized thermal expansion
- We need to train a lot of ML models
  - Not found one single ML model to rule them all that didn't sacrifice accuracy
  - Training one ML model is easy, training LOTS of models is hard!
    - Automation of this process is prone to soft failures
    - One particular model/data gives a poor fit (go back and retrain these by hand)
  - Neural networks have given more training pains
    - Occasionally the neural network training fails
  - Radial basis functions have some training pains
    - Slower and bigger than Neural Networks



#### How our ML knowledge changes over time



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#### From training ML model to C++ production

- Leverage PyTorch's Python to C++ persistence
- What we've proposed
  - Train ML models in Python
    - Rapid development and deployment
    - New data, new ML techniques
  - Save ML models as a single '.pt' file
    - Binary zip file
    - · Contains human readable metadata when extracted
  - Load the .pt file in c++ with no Python dependencies
    - Arbitrary models at runtime
    - Get derivatives of models
    - Using 'libtorch'

#include <torch/script.h> // One-stop header.

torch::jit::script::Module module;
// Deserialize the ScriptModule from a file using
module = torch::jit::load("my\_saved\_model.pt");

# save the model
sm = torch.jit.script(model)
sm.save('radbas\_modular.pt')



#### **Get derivatives of ML model at runtime**

#### Derivatives are important!

- Using PyTorch's autodiff
  - Don't need to code derivatives for each ML model
- Getting derivatives of out with respect to inputs



 This is getting implemented as a LiDO operator (Kenny Swartz)



### Why have a hot swappable ML material models at runtime?

- As time goes on, we might get better ML techniques, or more data
- Can give the user a choice between
  - High accuracy but high inference time
  - Lower accuracy with faster inference time
- Quickly switch between microstructures at runtime
- Maybe you have a particular design situation that is starting to be expensive
  - Quickly train a lower accuracy ML model that would be much cheaper in inference!
- Other benefits:
  - Don't have to implement each ML model architecture configuration in C++
  - Less C++ code to write
  - One unified interface



### Metadata into the .pt files that tells us about the ML model

- You can put extra stuff into .pt files
- Example of metadata.json on the right
  - Human and machine readable
- Can access 'metadata' in c++ at runtime

```
"Software_versions": {
 2
 3
          "topoptml": "0.2.0",
          "numpy": "1.20.3",
 4
 5
          "scipy": "1.6.2",
          "torch": "1.10.0",
 6
          "python": "3.7.11"
 7
 8
        },
        "Created_by_username": "jekel1",
 9
        "UTC_date": "2022-03-24 23:02:43.478230",
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11
        "Model_info": {
12
          "Name": "Radial_basis_one_layer_neural_network",
13
          "input_size": 4,
14
          "num_classes": 10,
15
          "output_dim": 1,
16
          "hidden_size": 100
17
18
```



## Thoughts on C++ implementation of the ML material models...

- I want your thoughts!
- ML (neural network) is fast when you give a large batch of computation
  - e.g. compute stiffness tensor for entire parallel mesh
  - Could run into memory issues, memory overhead is ~ Batch\_Size x Fattest\_Hidden\_Layer
- ML is slow when you give only a single computation
  - e.g. compute the stiffness tensor per integration point
- ML model input:
  - Multi-dimensional array
  - Rod radii, Poisson's ratio
- ML model output:
  - Multi-dimensional array
  - Voigt stiffness matrix components





- Coming up with designs to fully leverage additive manufacturing techniques is hard
- We want to use multiscale topology optimization to design structures that can be directly 3D printed as lattices of microstructures
- Machine learning is one way to do multiscale topology optimization
- Homogenization stiffness matrix datasets for various microstructures
- Creating machine learning linear orthotropic material models for various structures
  - Input: geometric rod radius and Poisson's
  - Output: Homogenized stiffness matrix
- Happy to hear you thoughts, comments, and suggestions!



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