Machine Learning Techniques for Battery State Prediction and Time Series Forecasting

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Machine Learning Introduction





Machine Learning I

• A ML algorithm is an algorithm that is able to learn from data

"A computer program is said to learn from experience E with respect to some class of tasks T and performance measure P, if its performance at tasks in T, as measured by P, improves with experience E"

[Mitchell, 1997]

- It is essentially a form of applied statistics
- Enables us to tackle tasks that are too difficult to solve with fixed programs
 - Use it only when no closed-form solution is available/applicable

Machine Learning II

Experience E

- Set of examples
- An example is a collection of features
- An example is represented as a vector

Performance P

Quantitative measure like accuracy

$\mathsf{Task}\ T$

We are interested in:

- Classification
 Regression
 Time series forecasting
- → Supervised Learning
 - each example is associated with a target

Machine Learning III

Algorithm Components

- Model
 - parametric mathematical model
- Optimization algorithm
 - that will improve the weights in a way that reduces error
- Cost function
 - e.g. MSE, negative log-likelihood
- Dataset
 - training examples

We can replace any of these components mostly independently

Machine Learning IV

Generalization

- It is the ability to perform well on previously unobserved inputs
- It is what separates machine learning from optimization
- How can we affect performance on the test set when we can observe only the training set?
 - We typically make a set of assumptions known as the i.i.d. (independent and identically distributed)
 - The examples are independent of each other
 - The training set and test set are drawn from the same probability distribution

Applaying ML

We have to:

• choose the features • perform data pre-processing • choose the model/algorithm

hyperparameters

- Algorithm's settings
- Hyperparameter tuning: "more an art than a science"

Artificial Neural Networks



The goal of a network is to **approximate** some function f^* ; $y = f^*(x)$

- The network defines a mapping $y = f(x; \theta)$
- It learns the value of the parameters θ that result in the best approximation

A directed acyclic graph describes how functions are connected together

- Acyclic \leftrightarrow Feedforward
- Functions connected in a chain (vector-to-vector function)
- Sets of neurons organized in layers (vector-to-scalar function)

Artificial Neural Networks II



- The Activation function should be nonlinear
- Example: Rectified linear function g(z) = max0, z

Training

- SGD Improve f by moving in small steps with opposite sign of the derivative
- Backpropagation A method to compute gradient efficiently

Nonlinearity

- Manually engineering a nonlinear mapping is very difficult
- Deep learning learns the mapping thanks to the hidden layers

Fully Connected Network



Convolutional Neural Network



- Assumptions on data allow reducing the number of parameters
- CNNs perform better on structured and spatially related data
- Neurons arranged in N-dimensional volumes
- Layers of a ConvNet transforms one volume of activations to another

Convolution Layer



- The Conv layer's parameters consist of a set of learnable filters
- Every filter is small spatially but extends through the full depth of the input volume
- we slide (convolve) each filter across the width and height of the input volume
- The activation map gives the responses of a filter at every spatial position
- Filters' responses are stacked along the depth producing the output volume
- neurons are connected only to a local region in the input
- neurons in a filter share parameters

Pool Layer



It performs a downsampling operation along the spatial dimensions

- Reduce spatial size/parameters
- Controls overfitting

Recurrent NN



- RNNs allow information to persist
- Good for sequences
- They can retain only recent information

Long Short-Term Memory Networks I



- A special kind of RNN
- Capable of learning long-term dependencies

Long Short-Term Memory Networks II



- Cell state layer
- It's very easy for information to just flow along it unchanged (long term)
- Removing or adding information to the cell state is carefully regulated by structures called gates
- Weights of gates regulate memorization

Long Short-Term Memory Networks III



$$f_t = \sigma \left(W_f \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_f \right)$$

- Forget gate layer
- Sigmoid output in [0,1]
- For each element in the cell state

Long Short-Term Memory Networks IV



$$i_t = \sigma \left(W_i \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_i \right)$$
$$\tilde{C}_t = \tanh(W_C \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_C)$$

- Input gate layer
- Tanh layer creates a vector of new candidate values

Long Short-Term Memory Networks V



 $C_t = f_t * C_{t-1} + i_t * \tilde{C}_t$

Update

Long Short-Term Memory Networks VI



$$o_t = \sigma \left(W_o \left[h_{t-1}, x_t \right] + b_o \right)$$
$$h_t = o_t * \tanh \left(C_t \right)$$

- Output
- Only one part of the cell is given

Time Series



Feedforward

Recurrent NN

Autoregressive

- Data windowing
 - Deciding the width (number of time steps) of the input and output
 - Deciding the time offset between them

Why ML?

Why NNs for SoC/SoH?

- Less computationally expensive than other algorithms
- No model engineering
- Generalization
- Nonlinear

Why NNs for TS forecasting?

Growing evidence suggests that machine learning approaches offer a superior modeling methodology to tackle time-series

Other techniques

Meta-learning

- A model is trained on a set of (correlated) tasks
- Two gradient descent phases
- The model generalizes to other tasks without re-training

Bayesian Network (Belief Network)

- Directed Acyclic Graph
- Nodes are random variables
- Structure/parameters could be learned from data
- Dynamic Bayesian network is the extension to time series
- Decision graphs handle decision making under uncertainty
- Hidden Markov Model
 - Special case
 - A process Y depends on X which is unobservable

ARIMA (time series model)

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