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Integration of system models and machine learning for online optimization and characterization of accelerators

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Detailed beam phase space customization required for different experiments



Beam exists in 6-D position-momentum phase space

Incomplete information: measure 2-D projections or reconstruct based on perturbations of upstream controls (e.g. tomography)

Dozens-to-hundreds of controllable variables and hundreds-of-thousands to monitor

Increasingly dynamic control needed during experiments

Nonlinear, high-dimensional optimization/control problem







wide spectrum of tuning needs



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Many successes with Bayesian Optimization (+ algorithmic improvements)



Algorithms being implemented/distributed in Xopt: <u>https://github.com/xopt-org/Xopt</u>

Comprehensive review of BO for accelerators: R. Roussel, et al., PRAB (2024) https://journals.aps.org/prab/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.27.084801

Physics-Aware Bayesian Optimization: Correlated Kernel

J. Duris et al., PRL, 2020 A. Hanuka, et al., PRAB, 2021

 \rightarrow Design Gaussian Process kernel from expected correlations between inputs (e.g. quadrupole magnets)



 \rightarrow Take the Hessian of model at expected optimum to get the correlations



Including correlation between inputs enables increased sample-efficiency and results in faster optimization \rightarrow kernel-from-Hessian enables easy computation of correlations even in high dimension

Addressing Magnetic Hysteresis with Differentiable Physics Models



 $\mathbf{H}_{0:t} = \{H_0, H_1, \dots, H_t\}$

Magnetization

Beam measurement $Y_t = f(x_t) + \varepsilon$

 $x_t = M(\mathbf{H}_{0,t})$



50

n

100

Iteration

150

200

R. Roussel, et. al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 204801

Differentiable physics model + Gaussian process enables in-situ characterization of hysteresis and faster magnet tuning

Measurement Index

100

125

150

175

25

0

50

75

Multi-Objective Bayesian Optimization



Simulation study with the AWA injector



Experimental demo with the LCLS injector

Multi-objective Bayesian optimization enables efficient, direct examination of experimental tradeoffs

Optimization with Virtual Objectives

- · Many objectives require layered scans or optimization problems
- Instead learn model from scratch online and do scan on model
- Bayesian Algorithm Execution (BAX) \rightarrow 20x speedup in tuning





















Roussel, et al. IPAC 2023 THPL164 https://github.com/xopt-org/Xopt



Common software tools (Xopt, Badger) enables rapid transfer between facilities and algorithmic progress Also working to link accelerator and photon beamline tuning

Trust Region Bayesian Optimization





ESRF for lifetime optimization:

- 50x faster than human operator
- Achieved best lifetime yet observed at ESRF (41 hours)
- Now used in regular operation

Trust region BO enables efficient extension to very high dimensional problems with narrow ranges of stability

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Combining BO with Warm Starts from Online Physics Models

Used combination of online physics simulation and Bayesian optimization algorithms to aid LCLS-II injector commissioning



Physicists' intuition aided by detailed online physics model \rightarrow simple example of how a "virtual accelerator" can aid tuning *HPC enables fundamentally new capabilities in what can be realistically simulated online*

Leveraging Online Models for Faster Optimization

Combining existing models with BO \rightarrow important for scaling up to higher dimension

Prototyped on LCLS injector variables: solenoid, 2 corrector quads, 6 matching quads **objective:** minimize emittance and matching parameter

emmit*bmag (mm-mrad)

0

-5

-10

-15

-20

Model2



Even prior mean models with substantial inaccuracies provide a boost in optimization speed

Finding Sources of Error Between Simulations and Measurements



Speed and differentiability of ML models enables rapid identification of error sources between idealized physics simulations and real machine

Finding Sources of Error Between Simulations and Measurements

Same approach can be used with differentiable physics simulations



https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2023/pdf/WEPA065.pdf

Differentiable simulations allow direct learning of calibrations while being constrained by the expected physics

Embedding surrogates in tracking calculations

Coherent Synchrotron Radiation (CSR) impacts beam quality (critical for Free Electron Laser performance)

CSR computationally intensive to simulate, even for ID effect

Solution: replace wakefield calculation in tracking step with a neural network to gain E both speed and differentiability







Trained fully-connected, feedforward network

Trained on >IM samples from 10k different initial beam distributions (generated from start-to-end LCLS) sims with random linac settings)

Edelen, et al., IPAC'22 https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2022/papers/wepoms013.pdf

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 \rightarrow Accurately replicates main effect (better than excluding CSR) \rightarrow 10X faster than running with 1D CSR routine



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Multi-fidelity Model Calibration

Want to efficiently probe possible model errors and obtain uncertainty estimates.

Multi-fidelity Bayesian optimization:

- Learn correlations between different model fidelities
- Use BO to select model fidelity and next optimization variables





Number of Particles (N)	2e4	2e5	2e6
Space Charge Grid Size	16	32	64
Execution time	~I min	~2.5 min	~25 min
$\sigma_{\rm x}$ (um)	1026	1018	1017
σ_y (um)	654	623	614
Norm x emit (um)	9.26	8.87	8.77



Distribution Shift is a Major Challenge in Particle Accelerators

Many sources of change over time:

- Deliberate changes in beam configuration (e.g. beam charge)
- Unintended drift in initial conditions (including in unobservable variables), diurnal temperature/humidity changes, etc
- Time-dependent action of feedback systems





Example: beam size prediction and uncertainty estimates under drift from a neural network Uncertainty estimate from neural network ensemble does not cover prediction error, but does give a qualitative metric for uncertainty

Reliable uncertainty estimates and model adaptation methods are key for putting online models to use operationally



Bayesian Exploration for Efficient Characterization



- Used Bayesian Exploration for efficient high-dimensional characterization (10 variables) of emittance and match at 700pC: 2 hrs for 10 variables compared to 5 hrs for 4 variables with N-D parameter scan (~8x faster)
- Data was used to train neural network model of injector response predicting xy beam images. GP ML model from exploration predicts emittance and match.
- Example of integrated cycle between characterization, modeling, and optimization → now want to extend to larger system sections and new setups





https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-021-25757-3

Use of Bayesian exploration to generate training data was sample-efficient, reduced burden of data cleaning, and resulted in a wellbalanced distribution for the training data set over the input space. ML models were immediately useful for optimization.

Goal: Full Integration of AI/ML Optimization, Data-Driven Modeling, and Physics Simulations

Working on a facility-agnostic ecosystem for online simulation, ML modeling, and AI/ML driven characterization/optimization

Will enable system-wide application to aid operations, and help drive AI/ML development (e.g. higher dimensionality, robustness, combining algorithms efficiently)



Making good progress toward this vision with open-source, modular software tools

Digital Twin Infrastructure

Ecosystem of modular tools (can use independently) LUME – simulation interfaces/wrappers in Python lume-model – wraps ML models, facilitates calibration distgen – flexible creation of beam distributions Integration with MLFlow for MLOps <u>https://www.lume.science/</u>

- Live physics simulations and ML models now linked between SLAC's HPC system (S3DF) and control system
 → run with Kubernetes and Prefect
- Working with NERSC to swap between S3DF/NERSC resources
- Beginning work on MLOps aspects that will be used in continual learning research
- SLAC is part of CAMPA project for end-to-end virtual accelerators → working on shared set of tools/standards/interfaces



Substantial progress on deploying ML and Physics-based models and integrating with HPC in a portable way

Summary/Conclusions

- Many successes with Bayesian optimization and variants → many ways of incorporating system models for improved performance in BO
- Have deliberately targeted ML-based approaches that don't require large amounts of data and are readily transferrable between systems
- Online system models that combine physics simulations and ML being deployed
 scaling up toward comprehensive digital twins
- Differentiable physics simulations including nonlinear collective effects and hybrid ML models are a major area of need (e.g. Cheetah, SciBmad)
- Deployment infrastructure and shared community software tools are essential
- Increasingly working to combine system models and online optimization to enable more detailed control





Thanks for your attention! Any questions?















Thanks to many other collaborators not shown!



Reinforcement Learning

RL can help address a different set of needs than BO:

- Use global machine information, more historical data
- Treat as a dynamical system (many time-dependent processes/feedbacks + drift)
- Address demands for fast dynamic control from users

Suitability of accelerator tuning problems for RL:

- Many variables, multi-modal signals (images, scalars, time series)
- Continuous state/action spaces (similar to robotics)
- Have physics models/simulators for many problems



Variety of high dimensional signals for states, objectives



120 Hz FEL pulse intensity

Nonlinear instability → sensitive to dynamic processes (e.g. trajectory feedback, cooling, LLRF control)

Reinforcement Learning

- FEL is sensitive to focusing, trajectory; perturbing beam/feedbacks too much results in beam losses
- Using data-driven surrogates and differentiable sims to train agents
- Iteratively add more data, targets and variables:
 - Photon pulse intensity
 - Beam phase space images, spectra
 - Focusing magnets, RF cavities, undulator
- Similar accelerator designs may enable facility-agnostic agents? Starting to explore with EuXFEL



~28 focusing magnets for FEL pulse intensity

(many more variables to include: steering, rf cavities, undulator, drive laser)



Example:Warm Starts from Online Models



- Round-to-flat beam transforms are challenging to optimize \rightarrow 2019 study explored ability of a learned model to help
- Trained neural network model to predict fits to beam image, based on archived data
- Tested online multi-objective optimization over model (3 quad settings) given present readings of other inputs
- Used as warm start for other optimizers
- Trained DDPG Reinforcement Learning agent and tested on machine under different conditions than training



Can work even under distribution shift



Hand-tuning in seconds vs. tens of minutes

Boost in convergence speed for other algorithms

Uncertainty Quantification / Robust Modeling

Essential for decision making under uncertainty (e.g. safe opt., intelligent sampling, virtual diagnostics)



Current approaches

Ensembles

Standard Deviation

- Gaussian Processes .
- **Bayesian NNs**
 - Quantile Regression

Neural network with quantile regression predicting FEL pulse energy at LCLS



(Bayesian neural network)

A. Mishra et. al., PRAB, 2021



(quantile regression + ensemble)

O. Convery, et al., PRAB, 2021





LCLS injector transverse phase space (ensemble)



Deployment: Xopt and Badger

Xopt: houses optimization algorithms

vont:

max_evaluations: 6400

generator:

name: cnsga
population_size: 64
population_file: test.csv
output_path: .

evaluator:

function: xopt.resources.test_functions.tnk.evaluate_TNK
function_kwargs:
 raise_probability: 0.1

vocs:

variables: x1: [0, 3.14159] x2: [0, 3.14159] objectives: {y1: MINIMIZE, y2: MINIMIZE} constraints: c1: [GREATER_THAN, 0] c2: [LESS_THAN, 0.5] linked_variables: {x9: x1} constants: {a: dummy_constant}

Python interface

create Xopt object.
X = Xopt(YAML)

take 10 steps and view data
for _ in range(10):
 X.step()

X.data

Many optimization algorithms

- Genetic algorithms (NSGA-II, etc.)
- Nelder-Mead Simplex
- Bayesian Optimization
- Bayesian Exploration
- Trust-region BO
- Learned output constrained BO
- Interpolating BO



Badger GUI interface

User interface, I/O with machine

https://christophermayes.github.io/Xopt/ https://christophermayes.github.io/Xopt/algorithms/ https://github.com/slaclab/Badger

→ Has been used for online optimization at numerous facilities (LCLS/LCLS2, FACET-II, ESRF, AWA, NSLS-II, FLASHForward)
→ Working to make interoperable with other software (e.g. Gymnasium)



- Can specify constraints on settings and outputs (e.g. avoid dark current, beam losses, etc)
- Trust-region method allows conservative high-dimensional tuning (e.g. used >100 sextupoles at ESRF)
- Working on integrating global model priors ightarrow not learning from scratch each time
- Working to make compatible with RL problems + gymnasium

In Regular Use: Injector Surrogate Model at LCLS

- ML models trained on detailed physics simulations with nonlinear collective effects
- Accurate over a wide range of settings \rightarrow calibrate to match machine measurements
- Provide initial parameters for downstream model



deviation between simulations and as-built machine



Simulation and ML model trained on it are qualitatively similar to measurements under interpolation (setting combinations reasonable distance from training set)



ML models trained on simulations and measurements have enabled fast prototyping of new optimization algorithms, facilitated rapid model adaptation under new conditions, and can directly aid online tuning and operator decision making

Simulation Measurement 20 20 Relative energy (MeV) 10 -10 -20 -20 -40 -20 0 20 Longitudinal position (μ m) -40 -20 0 20 Longitudinal position(µm) "10 hours on thousands of J. Qiang, et al., PRSTAB30, 054402, 2017 cores at the NERSC" 14 12 ε_{n, x} [mm-mrad] 8 6 reality vs. simulation

computationally expensive simulations

40

fluctuations/noise (e.g. initial beam conditions)

se ditions)



hidden variables / sensitivities



-2



instabilities

many small, compounding sources of uncertainty

Sample Number

750 1000 1250 1500 1750 2000

4

250 500

0

Broad Research Program at SLAC in AI/ML for Accelerators

(1) Developing new approaches for accelerator optimization/characterization and faster higher-fidelity system modeling, (2) developing portable software tools to support end-to-end AI/ML workflows, (3) helping integrating these into regular use

Online prediction with physics sims and fast/accurate ML system models



— σ_x NN

0.47

 σ_{ν} IMPACT-T

0.48 0.49 0.50

Integrated Solenoid Field (kG-m)

 σ_x meas.

1.2 (mm) 1.0 (mm) 1.0

0.45 0.46

Adaptation of models and identification of sources of

deviation between simulations and as-built machine

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Size

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Efficient, safe optimization algorithms



Adhere to constraints and balance multiple targets



Challenging problems: e.g. sextupole tuning

Anomaly detection



ML-enhanced diagnostics

Rapid analysis/virtual diagnostics

Shot-to-shot predictions at beam rate



Many solutions put into reusable open-source software (e.g. Xopt/Badger) demoed at many facilities

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 $\sigma_x NN$

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Integrated Solenoid Field (kG-m)

Al/ML enables fundamentally new capabilities across a broad range of applications \rightarrow highly promising from initial demos.

Combining physics and ML for better performance





Modular, Open-Source Software Development

Community development of **re-usable**, **reliable**, **flexible software tools** for AI/ML workflows has been essential to maximize return on investment and ensure transferability between systems

Modularity has been key: separating different parts of the workflow + using shared standards

Different software for different tasks:

Optimization algorithm driver (e.g. Xopt) Visual control room interface (e.g. Badger) Simulation drivers (e.g. LUME) Standards model descriptions, data formats, and software interfaces (e.g. openPMD) Online model deployment (LUME-services)

More details at https://www.lume.science/







Online Impact-T simulation and live display; trivial to get running on FACET-II using same software tools as the LCLS injector

Modular open-source software has been essential for our work.

Further Automation

- Chaining together automation of sub-tasks and measurements
- RF /laser timing scans, beamline alignment, smart sampling for measurements





Automated determination of gun phase with BAX

Incorporating Constraints

We want to ensure during measurements that the beam stays on screen \rightarrow Define a **smoothly varying** penalty function to act as a constraint

Define a circular ROI



Measure maximum distance from the ROI center to bounding box corners



Constraint: $p \leq 0$

Other examples: Beam losses, dark current production, emittance, etc.

See R. Roussel et al., PRAB (2024) https://journals.aps.org/prab/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.27.084801.



Gardner et. al. ICML 2014



Include high-dimensional input information a better output predictions

Surrogate-boosted design optimization