Physics-informed Machine Learning for Uncertainty Quantification in Land Models

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Outline

- Motivation
 - Energy Exascale Earth System Model (E3SM): Land component
- Need for Surrogate Models
 - Polynomial Chaos Surrogate
 - Karhunen-Loève expansions for field quantities
 - Neural Network Surrogates
 - Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)
 - Long short term memory (LSTM)
 - Physics-based LSTM
- Global Sensitivity Analysis (GSA)
- Preliminary Results

E3SM Model Overview

Energy Exascale Earth System Model (E3SM) is a coupled earth model

- US Department of Energy (DOE) sponsored Earth system model https://e3sm.org
- Ocean, Atmosphere, Sea ice and Land Components
- Computationally expensive to run the coupled mode (including ocean and atmosphere)
- $\bullet~$ Can only do a few global simulations of coupled E3SM models $\rightarrow~$ hard to get training data







E3SM Land Model (ELM) Overview

Land model incorporates a set of biogeophysical processes:

- Cheapest component, can run in single column mode
- Simplified python model available (sELM)
- Can evaluate model many times for various input parameters





ELM Produces Time Series given Input Parameters and Forcing Drivers

- $\mathcal{O}(10) \mathcal{O}(100)$ uncertain inputs
- Daily Forcings/Drivers
 - Min/Max Temperature
 - 2 Day of Year
 - Solar radiation
 - Water Availability





Time evolution of a nominal simulation

Surrogates are necessary for **expensive** computational models

 ... otherwise called supervised ML, metamodel, emulator, proxy, response surface.

 $f(x;\lambda) \approx f_s(x;\lambda)$

- Surrogates are required for ensemble-intensive studies, such as
 - parameter estimation
 - uncertainty propagation
 - global sensitivity analysis
 - optimal experimental design

This talk

Investigating surrogate construction approaches for ELM to enable all of the above

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ML for Land Model

Polynomial chaos (PC) surrogate for black-box $f(\lambda)$

• Represent QOIs as orthogonal expansion of random variables

$$f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) pprox f_c(\boldsymbol{\lambda}(\boldsymbol{\xi})) = \sum_{lpha \in \mathcal{I}} c_lpha \Psi_lpha(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

- Germ: $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_d)$, e.g. uniform: $\lambda(\xi)$ is a linear scaling
- Multi-index $\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_d\}$
- Orthogonal polynomials wrt $p(\boldsymbol{\xi}), \Psi_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \prod_{i=1}^{d} \psi_{\alpha_i}(\xi_i)$
- Typical construction approach: regression to find PC modes c_{α}
- Advantages of PC
 - moment estimation, uncertainty propagation, global sensitivity
- Expensive model challenge
 - Use Bayesian regression, helps to quantify lack of simulation data
- High-d challenge $d \gg 1$
 - Number of terms in expansion of order p and dimension d:

$$|\mathcal{I}| = \frac{(d+p)}{d!p!}$$

- Use sparse regression
- We employ Bayesian compressed sensing (BCS): iterative algorithm for Bayesian sparse learning [Babacan, 2010; Sargsyan, 2014; Ricciuto, 2018]

'Free' Global Sensitivity Analysis with PC $f(\lambda(\xi)) \simeq \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I}} c_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}(\xi)$

Main effect sensitivity indices

$$S_i = \frac{Var[\mathbb{E}(f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}|\lambda_i)]}{Var[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})]} = \frac{\sum\limits_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I}_i} c_{\alpha}^2 ||\Psi_{\alpha}||^2}{\sum\limits_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{0\}} c_{\alpha}^2 ||\Psi_{\alpha}||^2}$$

- \mathcal{I}_i is the set of bases with only ξ_i involved
- S_i is the uncertainty contribution that is due to *i*-th parameter only
- Total effect sensitivity indices

$$T_i = 1 - \frac{Var[\mathbb{E}(f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{-i})]}{Var[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})]} = \frac{\sum\limits_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I}_i^T} c_\alpha^2 ||\Psi_\alpha||^2}{\sum\limits_{\alpha \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \{0\}} c_\alpha^2 ||\Psi_\alpha||^2}$$

I^T_i is the set of bases with ξ_i involved, including all its interactions. *T_i* is the total uncertainty contribution due to *i*-th parameter

[Sudret, 2008; Crestaux, 2009; Sargsyan, 2017]

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ML for Land Model

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Spatio-temporal surrogate model via Karhunen-Loève expansions

- 3183 active land cells over 180 months is > 500,000 outputs
- Karhunen-Loève expansions help reduce dimensionality due to strong spatio-temporal correlations (think of Principal Component Analysis in stochastic space)

$$f(x;\lambda) = \bar{f}(x;\lambda) + \sum_{j=0}^{J} f_j(\lambda) \sqrt{\mu_j} \phi_j(x)$$

- Instead of 500,000 surrogates, we build about J = 2,000 surrogates, one for each eigen-component $f_j(\lambda)$
- End result: a single PC surrogate with *x*-dependent coefficients (i.e. resolving space and time), with about 5% relative error compared to true ELM
- Surrogate ELM is extremely cheap to evaluate and is being used online to calibrate the parameters

Representative results: spatially resolved GSA



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Representative results: time-resolved GSA



Representative results: Bayesian inference and prediction with surrogate



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Transitioning from UQ technologies to ML

- Polynomial chaos requires smooth Qols
- Exploring transient behavior and daily dynamics requires more accurate surrogates
- Benign MLP, feed-forward network did not do too well



- Does not account for temporal aspect of model
- Cannot propagate information of QOIs day to day (or month to month)

Long short term memory (LSTM) accounts for temporal evolution

- Vanilla LSTM Recurrent NN architecture
- One network per Qol
- Much better than PC, better than MLP



Graph Structure of ELM Land Model

Looking under the hood helps build physics-informed architecture



Physics-driven architecture incorporates known connections into LSTM





Vanilla LSTM

Physics-informed LSTM



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Price to pay: for NN surrogates, GSA should be carried out with Monte-Carlo

- Mean estimate: $E[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{(n)})$
- Variance estimate: $Var[f(\lambda)] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(\lambda^{(n)})^2 E[f(\lambda)]^2$
- Main sensitivity:

$$S_{i} = \frac{Var[\mathbb{E}(f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}|\lambda_{i}))]}{Var[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})]} \approx \frac{1}{Var[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})]} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{(n)}) f(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{-i}^{'(n)} \cup \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{(n)}) - E[f(\boldsymbol{\lambda})]\right)$$

where $\lambda_{-i}^{'(n)} \cup \lambda_i^{(n)}$ is a single-column swap sample given two sampling schemes $\lambda^{(n)}$ and $\lambda^{'(n)}$

- ... similar estimators for total sensitivity
- Inherits all the challenges of Monte-Carlo

[Jansen, 1999; Sobol, 2001; Saltelli, 2002]

Global Sensitivity Analysis Comparison



Global Sensitivity Analysis Comparison



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ML for Land Model

Overview

- Key UQ step, surrogate construction == supervised ML
- Dimensionality reduction via Karhunen-Loève expansions (aka autoencoder)
- Physics-based LSTM architecture outperforms traditional NN methods (MLP) and traditional UQ methods (PCEs)
- Qualitatively similar sensitivity results compared to PCE

Current:

• Employing the reduced-dimensional spatio-temporal surrogate for calibration and optimal experimental design

Additional Material

ELM Simulation Details



Tree RNN more accurate than PCE and traditional ML methods

• Computed Mean RMS for each Surrogate

Method	Train (Daily/Month)	Val (Daily/Month)
PCE	(N/A)/35%	(N/A)/46%
MLP	19/14%	32/20%
LSTM	14/10%	21/16%
Tree-LSTM	6/2%	9/5%

• Tree-LSTM outperforms PCE, MLP and LSTM-RNN

Global Sensitivity Analysis

- $Y = f(X_1, X_2, X_3, ..., X_N)$
- Total Variance decomposition (normalized)

$$Var(Y) = E[Var(Y|X)] + Var(E[Y|X])$$

- If X_i are independent: $V(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N V_i + \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le N} V_{ij} + ... + V_{1,...,p}$
- Use Sobol indices \rightarrow QOI's variance to be decomposed based on variances of inputs



Method

- PCE allows for analytical computation of ${\cal S}_i$
- ML needs Monte Carlo Integration to compute *S_i*

Summary of Case Study

Training Details

- Generate samples from sELM model: 30 years (1980-2009)
- Each training set (time history) has 10,950 data points (daily)

averages (noisy)

sensing to compute

average month, i.e. 30×12

coefficients

surrogates

- Simulation at University of Michigan Biological Station site
- 500 training samples, 500 validation samples

NN Details MI P PC Details No time dynamics Hard to train on daily No physics Train on monthly averages Train on daily Qols LSTM Use Bavesian compressive 500 Epochs of SGD Time dynamics 2 layers, 150 neurons No physics Build surrogate for each L₂ loss, dropout regularization Tree-I STM Time dynamics Physics