SD-PINN: Physics informed neural networks for spatially dependent PDEs

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Spatially dependent PDEs

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- $U_{tt} = 4U_{xx}, \ c = 2 \text{ m/s}$



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Background



Wave equation with attenuating at *M* locations:

$$U_{tt} = -\alpha_m U_t + c_m^2 U_{xx}$$
$$m = 1, ..., M.$$

The PDE (wave equation) is spatially dependent at *M* locations due to various phase speeds and attenuation factors:

- $U_{tt} = 2.25 U_{xx}, \ c = 1.5 \text{ m/s}, \ \alpha = 0$
- $U_{tt} = U_{xx}, \ c = 1 \text{ m/s}, \ \alpha = 0$
- $U_{tt} = -0.07U_t + 4U_{xx}, \ c = 2 \text{ m/s}, \ \alpha = 0.07$

For the 1-dimensional single frequency wave solution:

$$U = U_0 e^{-\alpha' x} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i(kx - \omega t)})$$

the attenuating wave equation links the attenuation factor in the PDE α with the attenuation in the solution α' in Np/m by:

$$\alpha' = \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2c^2}(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \omega^2} - \omega)}$$

Network structure – Fully connected neural network (FCN)

The network is parameterized by θ (wights and bias in all layers):

$$Net_{ heta}(x,t) = \mathbf{W}_{L}^{\mathrm{T}}(\dots(\mathbf{W}_{2}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{tanh}(\mathbf{W}_{1}^{\mathrm{T}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ t \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{b}_{1}) + \mathbf{b}_{2})\dots) + \mathbf{b}_{L}$$

The PDE is parameterized by λ .

For the PDE: $\begin{pmatrix} \ell_m^j & \lambda_{m1} & d_{m1}^j & \lambda_{m2} & d_{m2}^j \\ (U_{tt})_m^j &= -\alpha_m (U_t)_m^j + c_m^2 (U_{xx})_m^j \qquad \ell_m^j = \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_{mk} d_{mk}^j$ we have $\lambda = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_1 & \cdots & -\alpha_M \\ c_1^2 & \cdots & c_M^2 \end{bmatrix}^T$

Overall -

Loss functions -

Data loss -

$$loss_{\mathrm{u}}(heta) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{j=1}^{T} (\widehat{u}_{mj}(heta) - u_{mj})^2$$

 $(U_{tt})_m^j = -\alpha_m (U_t)_m^j + c_m^2 (U_{xx})_m^j$

$$loss_{\mathrm{f}}(\lambda) = \sum_{m} \sum_{j} (\widehat{\ell}_{m}^{j} - (\sum_{k=1}^{K} \widehat{\lambda}_{mk} \widehat{d}_{mk}^{j}))^{2} = \sum_{m} \sum_{j} ((\widehat{U}_{tt})_{m}^{j} + \alpha_{m} (\widehat{U}_{t})_{m}^{j} - c_{m}^{2} (\widehat{U}_{xx})_{m}^{j})^{2}$$

 $loss = loss_{\rm u} + w_{\rm f} \times loss_{\rm f} + w_{\rm sm} \times loss_{\rm sm} + w_{\rm b} \times loss_{\rm b} + w_{\rm si} \times loss_{\rm si}$





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Estimations are computed by automatic differentiation:

$$(\widehat{U}_x)_m^j = \widehat{U}_x(x_m, t_j) = \frac{\partial Net_\theta(x, t)}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=x_m, t=t_j}$$

$$(\widehat{U}_{xx})_m^j = \widehat{U}_{xx}(x_m, t_j) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\frac{\partial Net_\theta(x, t)}{\partial x}) \Big|_{x=x_m, t=t_j}$$

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Theory

An example for automatic differentiation:

 \div + tanh $\rightarrow \hat{u}$

$$\widehat{u} = anh(\overbrace{w_1x + w_2t}^A)$$
 $\widehat{U}_x = rac{\partial \widehat{u}}{\partial x} = rac{\partial anh A}{\partial A} \cdot rac{\partial A}{\partial x}$
 $= (1 - anh^2 A) w_1$

$$\begin{split} \widehat{U}_{xx} &= \frac{\partial \left(\frac{\partial \widehat{u}}{\partial x}\right)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \left(\left(1 - \tanh^2 A\right) w_1\right)}{\partial x} \\ &= w_1 \cdot \frac{\partial (1 - \tanh^2 A)}{\partial x} \\ &= w_1 \cdot \frac{-\partial \tanh^2 A}{\partial x} \\ &= -w_1 \cdot \frac{\partial \tanh^2 A}{\partial \tanh A} \cdot \frac{\partial \tanh A}{\partial A} \cdot \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} \\ &= -2w_1^2 \tanh A(1 - \tanh^2 A) \end{split}$$

Advantage on noise-robustness:

The automatic differentiation is an analytical computation parameterized by neural network parameters (in this example, w_1 and w_2). The neural network parameters are updated not only to make \hat{u} simulate noisy measurements, but also to ensure that the physical laws are obeyed (via $loss_f$). The $loss_f$ encourages the network parameters to ignore the influence from measurement noise, which does not obey the assumed PDE.





We incorporate the knowledge of sign information.

E.g., for $(U_{tt})_m^j = -\alpha_m (U_t)_m^j + c_m^2 (U_{xx})_m^j$

the coefficient $c^2 \ge 0$ must hold since *c* is for the phase speed of the wave, and $-\alpha \le 0$ for the attenuation must hold for a system without input external energy.



Smoothness loss-

$$loss_{\rm sm}(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{m=1}^{M-1} (\widehat{\lambda}_{mk} + \widehat{\lambda}_{(m+1)k} - 2\widehat{\lambda}_{(m+0.5)k})^2$$

We recovers the PDE coefficients from both true positions and interpolated positions at the middle of 2 neighboring true positions.

Estimated coefficients at true positions:	$\hat{\lambda}_m$ for integers <i>m</i> .
Estimated coefficients at interpolated places:	$\hat{\lambda}_{m+0.5}$ for integers <i>m</i> .

The estimated coefficients at the middle of the 2 true locations should be near the average of the estimated coefficients at these true locations.

Boundary loss-

We assume the PDE coefficients at spatial boundaries known, and use it to quickly obtain the estimated PDE coefficients at the boundaries by minimizing:

$$loss_{ ext{b}} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} ((\widehat{\lambda}_{1k} - \lambda_{1k})^2 + (\widehat{\lambda}_{Mk} - \lambda_{Mk})^2)$$

Revised functional loss -

$$loss_{f}(\lambda) = \sum_{m \in I_{m}} \sum_{j \in I_{t}} (\widehat{\ell}_{m}^{j} - (\sum_{k=1}^{K} \widehat{\lambda}_{mk} \widehat{d}_{mk}^{j}))^{2}$$
$$= \sum_{m \in I_{m}} \sum_{j \in I_{t}} ((\widehat{U}_{tt})_{m}^{j} + \alpha_{m} (\widehat{U}_{t})_{m}^{j} - c_{m}^{2} (\widehat{U}_{xx})_{m}^{j})^{2} \qquad \text{for}$$

for
$$(U_{tt})_m^j = -\alpha_m (U_t)_m^j + c_m^2 (U_{xx})_m^j$$

which incorporates the interpolated points.



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Experiments

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		SD-PINN	FD-LSQ	TVR-FD-LSQ
Wave Eq. w/o attenuation	c^2	1.25×10^{-2}	7.87×10^{-1}	1.49
Wave Eq. w. attenuation	$-\alpha$	1.80×10^{-5}	5.31×10^{-4}	1.84×10^{-4}
wave Eq. w. attenuation	c^2	5.41×10^{-3}	2.30×10^{-1}	2.52×10^{-1}

Two baselines:

FD-LSQ: First compute the PDE terms by Finite Difference, then fix the term U_{tt} as the left-hand side, and finally compute the PDE coefficients for the right-hand side terms (U_{xx} and U_t) by least squares regression.

Experiments

TVR-FD-LSQ: First compute the PDE terms by Total-Variation Regularized Finite Difference, then fix the term U_{tt} as the left-hand side, and finally compute the PDE coefficients for the right-hand side terms $(U_{xx}$ and $U_t)$ by least squares regression.

The MSEs between the true PDE coefficients and the recovered ones from various methods.

Summary:

1, The proposed SD-PINN can recover spatially-dependent PDE coefficients.

- 2, The sign information of the PDE coefficients is exploited to help training the SD-PINN.
- 3, The SD-PINN is robust to noise. Because it uses the neural network parameters to compute the PDE terms via automatic differentiation, and the neural network parameters are updated not only according to the noisy measurements, but also constrained by physical laws.
- 4, The noise-robustness of the SD-PINN is verified by multiple numerical experiments.

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