

Real-World Bayesian Optimization

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Goal-Oriented Experiment Design



- Iterative & adaptive
- Utility maximizing (find best outcome)

Many Applications (Goal-Oriented)



Robotics & Control

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Drug Discovery

from Slideshare



Protein Engineering

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Material Science

Al for Goal-Oriented Experiment Design



Experiment Design as Interactive Learning

- Collect data on the fly
 - Not available a priori

• Limited budget on data collection



• How to choose?

Three Modes of Interactive Learning



- Goal: Discover truth
- E.g., model of world
- Maximize accuracy

(Bayesian) Optimization

- **Goal:** Best single prediction
- E.g., best protein
- Maximize final utility

Multi-Armed Bandits

- **Goal:** Utility over time
- E.g., recommender systems
- Maximize utility over time

Focus of Talk

Bayesian Optimization Example

X = space of proteins F(x) = fitness landscape







Learning Setup

Given: input space X **Unknown:** fitness F(x)=y **Maintain:** posterior P(F|D) (D=measurements)



Update posterior P(F|D)

Upper Confidence Bound: $\operatorname{argmax}_{x} \mu(x) + \beta \sigma(x)$ Posterior Sampling: $\operatorname{argmax}_{x} f(x), f^{P}(F|D)$

Algorithmic & Theoretical Questions (see papers for details)

- Analyze convergence to F(x*)?
- Guarantee side constraints (e.g., safety)?
- Corrupted or indirect measurements?
- Efficiently search combinatorial design spaces?
- Incorporate domain knowledge such as physics?

Real-World Bayesian Optimization





Multi-Fidelity



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Combinatorial, Physics, ...



Treating Lower Spine Injuries

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Sui



Learning Setup









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Electrode Array

SCI Patient

Challenges

- Many actions
 - 10⁶ to 10⁹
- Measuring utility difficult
- Safety





Modeling Correlations: Gaussian Processes

- Defined by $GP(\mu, k)$ Covariance (kernel") Mean function
- Sample a function: $f \sim GP(\mu, k)$
 - Expected value of f(x) is $\mu(x)$
 - Correlation of $f(x_1) \& f(x_2)$ is $k(x_1, x_2)$
- Finite input domain: (e.g., 10 choices of x)
 - Reduces to multivariate Gaussian distribution



Benefits of Gaussian Processes

- Reason about uncertainty
 - What is the spread of outcomes for f(x)?

- Correlations over input space
 - Measuring f(x₁) gives information on f(x₂)

• Work with domain experts to build correlations



Measurements via Preference Feedback



Multi-dueling Bandits with Dependent Arms, Sui, Zhuang, Burdick & Yue, UAI 2017 Correlational Dueling Bandits with Application to Clinical Treatment in Large Decision Spaces, Sui, Yue & Burdick, IJCAI 2017

Gaussian Process Safety Model



Full Learning Setup



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Clinical Experiments



Real-World Bayesian Optimization

Safety, Preference



Multi-Fidelity



Combinatorial, Physics, ...



Nano-photonics Structure Design



Fleischman et al.: https://doi.org/10.1021/acsphotonics.8b01634

Hyperspectral Imaging

Spectral



https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-444-63638-6.00006-1

Fitness Function (Figure of Merit)



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Multi-Fidelity Simulations

- Solve Maxwell's equations
- Fidelity depends on temporal and spatial resolution
- Do we need to accurately simulate bad structures?



Electric field profiles at 550nm for different mesh sizes

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A General Framework for Multi-fidelity Bayesian Optimization with Gaussian **Processes**, Jialin Song et al., AISTATS 2019





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Results

- 3 fidelities
- Balances different costs
- State-of-the-art performance



Optimizing Photonic Nanostructures via Multi-fidelity Gaussian Processes Song, Tokpanov, Chen, Fleischman, Fountaine, Atwater, Yue, 2018

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Safety, Preference



Multi-Fidelity



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Batched Stochastic Bayesian Optimization

- Start with initial amino acid sequence
- Choose with sites to mutate
- Mutations are probabilistic
- Combinatorial structure in experiment design



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Batched Stochastic Bayesian Optimization, Yang, Chen, Lee, Yue, AISTATS 2019

Any Many More... (physics, non-Bayesian)

Interactive Controller Calibration











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Dueling Posterior Sampling for Preference-Based Reinforcement Learning, Ellen Novoseller et al., arxiv

Any Many More... (human cognitive factors)

Connecticut Warbler







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Interpretable Teaching

Teaching Forgetful Learners

Near-Optimal Machine Teaching via Explanatory Teaching Sets, Yuxin Chen, Oisin Mac Aodha, et al., AISTATS 2018 Teaching Categories to Human Learners with Visual Explanations, Oisin Mac Aodha, et al., CVPR 2018 Teaching Multiple Concepts to Forgetful Learners, Anette Hunziker, Yuxin Chen, et al., arxiv

MacGillivray's Warbler

Al for Adaptive Experiment Design

- Experimental Platforms Increasingly Automated
 - Motivates using Active Learning / Bayesian Optimization / Bandits
- Real-World Considerations
- Indirect measurements
 - Preference feedback
 - Multi-fidelity

- Constraints
 - Safety
 - Physical constraints
- Domain Knowledge
 - Dynamics
 - Human factors







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