

Searching for gravitational waves in real LIGO noise using neural networks

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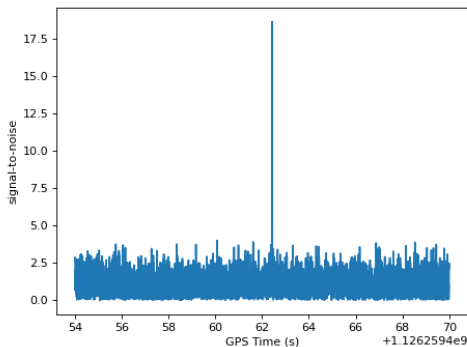
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Gravitational wave searches

- ▶ binary black holes
- ▶ standard: matched filtering
 - ▶ dense template bank
 - ▶ slide templates over signal
 - ▶ non-optimal
 - ▶ computationally demanding
- ▶ complicated noise characteristic, glitches



source: PyCBC

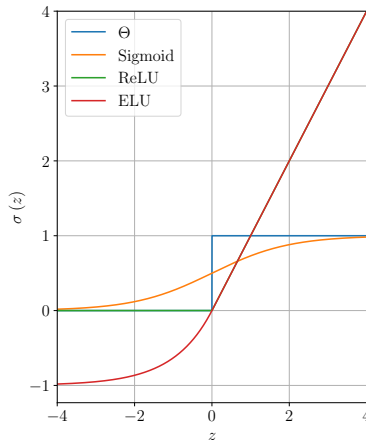
Neural Networks

artificial neurons

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \left(\sum_j w_j x_j + b \right)$$

activation function

$$\text{ELU}(z) = \begin{cases} \exp(z) - 1 & \text{if } z < 0 \\ z & \text{if } z \geq 0 \end{cases}$$



Neural Networks

organized in layers:

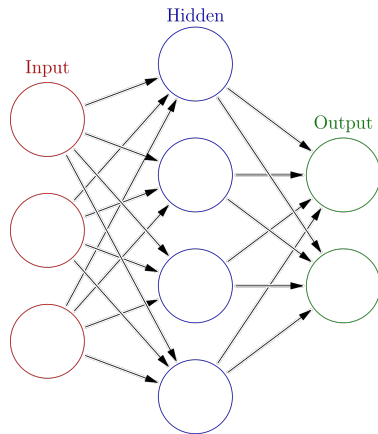
- ▶ matrix multiplication
- ▶ element-wise non-linear functions

training:

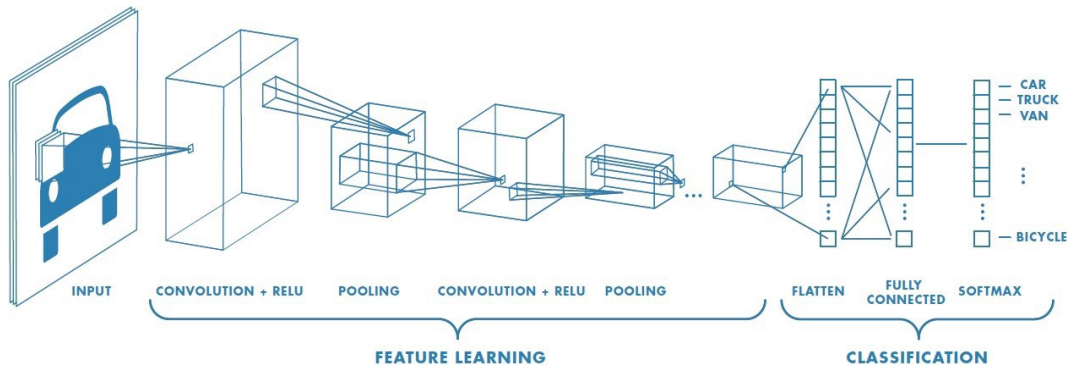
- ▶ dataset
- ▶ loss function (BCE)

$$\text{BCE}(\bar{\mathbf{Y}}, \mathbf{Y}) = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^2 \log(\bar{Y}_{ij}) Y_{ij}$$

- ▶ GD-based optimizer



Convolutional Neural Networks



source: MathWorks

MLGWSC-1

- ▶ mock data challenge [SZN⁺23, SZ21]
- ▶ BBH signals in long segments from 2 detectors
- ▶ 4 test datasets, progressive complexity
- ▶ 4 ML + 2 traditional contributions

Test data

- ▶ 1-month strain in H1 and L1
- ▶ IMRPhenomXPHM injections

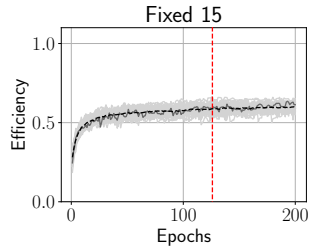
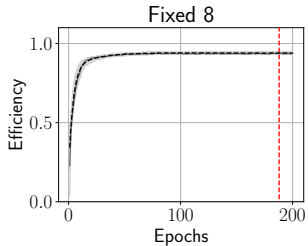
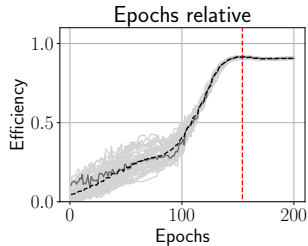
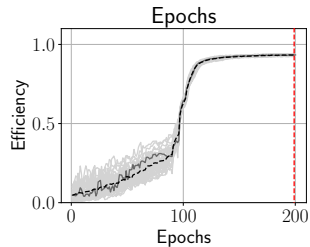
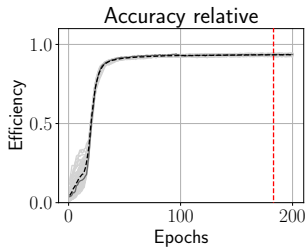
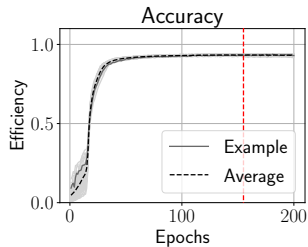
DS	injections			noise	
	spins	modes	masses	noise	PSD
1	zero	$l = 2, m = \pm 2$	$10 - 50 M_{\odot}$	Gaussian	fixed
2	aligned	$l = 2, m = \pm 2$	$7 - 50 M_{\odot}$	Gaussian	O3a
3	generic	all implemented ¹	$7 - 50 M_{\odot}$	Gaussian	O3a
4	generic	all implemented	$7 - 50 M_{\odot}$	real O3a noise	

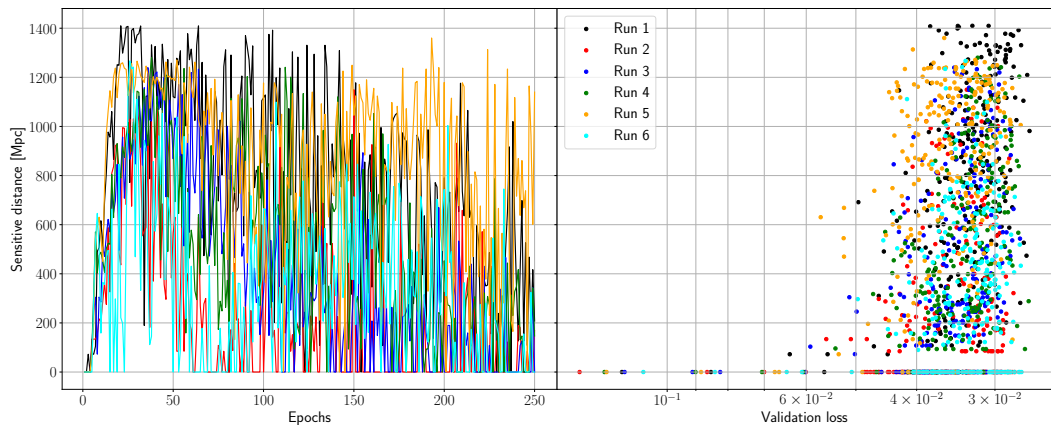
$$^1(2, 2), (2, -2), (2, 1), (2, -1), (3, 3), (3, -3), (3, 2), (3, -2), (4, 4), (4, -4)$$

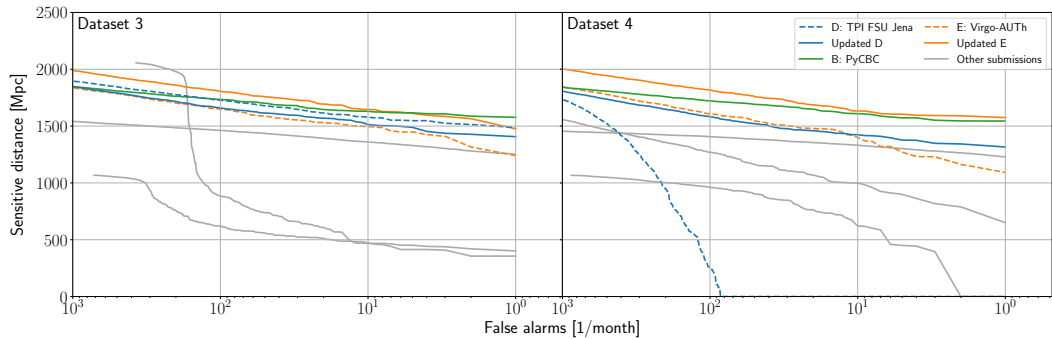
- ▶ [ZBO24, SZN⁺22, Zel23]
- ▶ 1 second segments at 2048 Hz
- ▶ real noise from O3a
- ▶ waveforms of DS 3 and 4

layer type	output shape
Input	2×2048
4× (Convolution + ELU)	16×1954
MaxPool	16×488
4× (Convolution + ELU)	32×442
MaxPool	32×147
4× (Convolution + ELU)	64×117
MaxPool	64×58
Flatten	3712
Dense + Dropout + ELU	128
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Dense + (Softmax)	2

Curriculum learning?



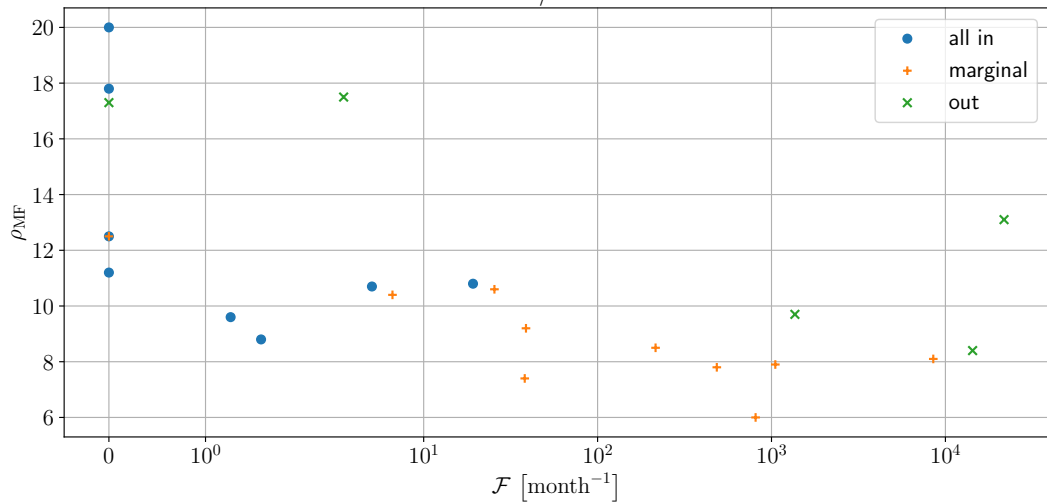




Application to O3b data

- ▶ 1 November 2019 - 27 March 2020: ~ 147 days
- ▶ high data quality in both L1 and H1: ~ 95 days
- ▶ cropped GWTC-3 [A⁺21]: 31 confident events
- ▶ 90% intervals: $m_i \in [10M_{\odot}, 50M_{\odot}]$?
 - ▶ all in: found 8/9
 - ▶ marginal: found 10/11
 - ▶ out: found 5/11

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Conclusions

- ▶ ML-based searches competitive on Gaussian noise

Difference against ResNets

- ▶ training stability for glitches
- ▶ curriculum learning

Outlook for Earth-based searches

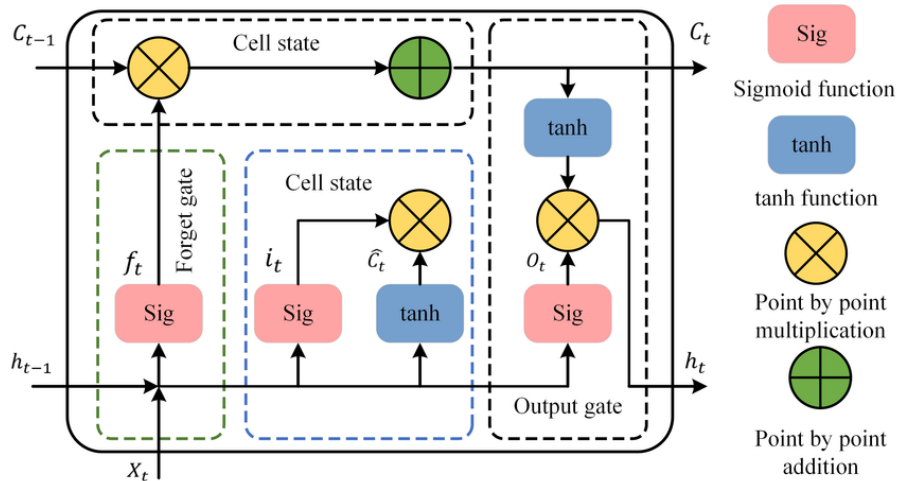
- ▶ systematics of biases [NM25]
- ▶ longer signals (BNS...)

Extension to LISA data

Problems:

- ▶ longer signals
 - ▶ computational complexity
 - ▶ motion of detector $\rightarrow$ larger effective parameter space
- ▶ overlap
 - ▶ need for a global fit

Recurrent architecture: LSTM



source: [RXH⁺24]

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