Generative Digital Twins For High Performance System Design

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Outline

- Introduction to generative models and digital twins
- Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)
- Conditional GAN for PAM4 SerDes
- Conditional GAN for advanced packaging power to thermal analysis
- Bayesian optimization of high-speed SerDes receivers
- Conclusion and future work



GENERATIVE MODELS AS DIGITAL TWINS



Generative Digital Twins

- Digital twins are computational models that cover the solution space within a targeted design limit
- Asymmetrical training vs. inference speed
 - Large dataset and high computational demand to train a generative model
 - Lightweight and fast computation for inference
- Realtime prediction of SI or multi-physics (power/thermal) systems
- Allow dynamic performance tuning based on changing input condition
- Generative models may have invertible solutions, i.e., given a desirable output, what is the most likelihood input condition
 - Can be constrained by power, space etc



Generative Adversarial Network



Generator Example

CGAN Engine For Power To Thermal Analysis

- The generator is given the input power map to predict the corresponding heat map
 - Uses convolutional layers with skip connections on the encoder*
 - Decoder reconstructs from the hidden (latent) space
 Contains Convolutional Transpose layers to upsample
- Skip connections ensure that no information is lost and that gradients are stable during the training phase



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* P. Isola, J. Zhu, T. Zhou, and A. A. Efros. 2017. Image-to-image translation with conditional adversarial networks. In IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR). 5967–5976. https://doi.org/10.1109/CVPR.2017.632



Discriminator Example Conditional GAN For High Speed SerDes

- Discriminator is a U-Net architecture that predicts both a full pixel map (at decoder output) and a single true/false prediction (at the bottleneck) for a given input*
- Takes the input GASF and either the ground truth BER plot or generated BER plot
- Predicts whether the concatenated image is from the dataset or generator using two levels of prediction



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* E. Schonfeld, B. Schiele, and A. Khoreva. 2020. A U-Net based discriminator for generative adversarial networks. In IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition. 8207–8216.



PAM4 Digital Twins

• cGAN engine can predict unseen input and equalizer condition



Interpolate Between Gain (system) Conditions





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Training power grid

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Training bulk heat map



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Bayesian optimization vs auto-tune PCIe Gen 5 I/O

Auto tune

Bayesian optimized

Eye Width: 0 mUI Eye Height: 0 mV

Eye Width: 287 mUI Eye Height: 165 mV



Conclusion and future work

- cGANs can produce realistic results that can cover unseen input or output states within a design boundary
- We have moved on to transformer-based generator architectures for time series inputs (Under review)
- Application of Stable Diffusion will be our subsequent investigation if there are sufficient computing resources
- Both input and tap condition can scale to 100's of features in a real design
- Digital twins can model the input and tap conditions in real time
 - It will open possibility of dynamic optimization of the system with the digital twin model as a parallel shadow system without disturbing the real system at runtime



Live demo of PAM4 CGAN and NRZ CGAN





Thank you



