Phase transition detection without order parameters

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Updates after midway

- Tried a regression CNN model with limited success
- Ran the Ising model simulations with multiple coupling constant values and checked how thermodynamic variables vary with temperature for the snapshots since the critical temperature varies, could not run any models on these datasets
- Ran the Ising model simulations across various lattice sizes the regression model doesn't directly seem to recognise a phase transition
- Not able to obtain weight matrices (analogous to the order parameter) for each set of simulations while using regression
- Resorted to using testing loss as a new order parameter

New datasets

- In total, 20k snapshots each were produced for 4 different coupling constants (J = 0.5, 1, 2, 5) in case of 20*20 lattices
- 20k snapshots were produced for 20*20, 50*50, and 100*100 lattices
- In these 6 datasets, data was taken from T = 0.05 to T = 4.00
- In order to check if the critical point (T_c) was still present, magnetisation vs temperature and energy vs temperature plots were prepared

New datasets



• Normalised energy for simulations at different J's

• Normalised energy for simulations at different L's

New datasets





• Normalised magnetisation for simulations at different J's

• Normalised magnetisation for simulations at different L's

Regression algorithm

- Our current regression algorithm does not perform very well due to having a rather low number of parameters
- Upper right loss for training L=20
- Lower right loss for training L=50
- In the Tanaka (2017) paper, the authors actually performed classification using DenseNet (dividing the dataset using each β (inverse of T) as a class), and then did a best fit of the model weights for the tan hyperbolic function that relates magnetism to temperature





Regression algorithm

- Loss vs epochs is seen to saturate fairly quickly for the model
- Mean absolute error was seen to reach close to the resolution at which the snapshots were taken (0.05) during training, which implies that the algorithm was overfitting
- Another sign of overfitting that we observed fluctuation in validation loss while training loss continuous to drop

Regression algorithm

- Sequential CNN on both 20*20 and 50*50 datasets
- Not clear where critical point is present





An alternate order parameter

- One can make use of loss as an order parameter
- For the Ising model, it is known that entropy is a derivative of the free energy of the system

$$S = -\partial F / \partial T$$

• Here, the free energy is given as:

$$F = -kTln(Z)$$

where, T is the temperature and Z is the partition function (sum over states)

• It can be shown that:

$$S = k \sum_{i} \rho_{i} ln(\rho_{i})$$

An alternate order parameter

• In our case, where we make use of the cross-entropy loss function in training our classifier, we have the loss calculated as

$$L_{CE} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathbf{y}_{i}^{*} . \log(\mathbf{y}_{i})$$

here, y* refers to the true probability distribution and y refers to the predicted class distribution

• We now examine how the loss varies across the critical point for a test set

Misclassification loss

• For both L=20 (left) and L=50 (right) lattices, we observed that the training loss and accuracy decreased and increased respectively, but the validation trends seem to indicate undertraining



Misclassification loss

- We produced two test sets:
 - For L = 20: 5k snapshots for T = 2.01 to T = 2.50 with an interval of 0.01, with 100 snapshots for each of the temperatures
 - For L = 50 : 2.5k snapshots for T = 2.01 to T = 2.50 with an interval of 0.01, with 50 snapshots for each of the temperatures
- The model was evaluated for each temperature in this interval to observe the variation in cross-entropy loss with temperature

Misclassification loss

- Peaks were observed near the critical point in both the cases
- Qualitatively, it can be said that cross-entropy loss can act as an order parameter



Further plans

- To run the model for larger lattice sizes to confirm that the observed trends in our order parameter can be extended for lattice sizes
- To obtain the weight matrices for various temperatures using a classification algorithm as seen in *Tanaka and Tomiya (2017)* after clearing up bugs faced while running the algorithm
- Repeating the above for multiple lattice sizes and for longer range interactions

Path to publication

- Begegnungszone: Statistical Physics and Machine Learning (2023) : Deadline – May 15 (30 days from today)
- ICCPA 2023 May 1 (14 days from today)
- ICSPM 2023 May 1 (14 days from today)

References

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