# Applications of Machine Learning in Astrophysics: Computational Methods for Gravitational Wave Data Analysis, Classification, and Augmentation

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#### Abstract

This paper provides a comprehensive overview of advanced methodologies for the analysis of gravitational wave (GW) data, emphasizing the integration of machine learning (ML) and deep learning (DL) techniques to enhance the detection and interpretation of GW signals. Initially, we discuss the foundational data preprocessing steps, including raw data acquisition, noise filtration, and data normalization, which are crucial for preparing GW datasets for ML applications. We then examine the fully preprocessed GW data with graphical information and statistical analysis, alongside a simplistic GW event classifier developed without ML applications. After that, to match the input data size of various ML models presented in this study, we detail the conversion of time-series GW data into spectrograms for 2D models like 2D CNNs, and the retention of time-series format for 1D and synthetic models: 1D CNNs; 1D RNNs, including Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Gated Recurrent Units (GRU); and synthetic models, including Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) and WaveNet. The study further explores the use of the following ML models for GW data analysis: Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs), convolutional and recurrent autoencoders, Transformers, Deep Belief Networks (DBNs), Graph Neural Networks (GNNs), and synthetic models such as GANs and WaveNet. The analysis also includes the application of traditional ML models, such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forest Classifiers (RF), and Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM), providing a comparative evaluation of their effectiveness in classifying and detecting GW signals. Additionally, in the appendix section, we show a few examples of synthetic GW data generated using GANs and WaveNet models, offering a new potential to augment training datasets by improving model robustness with artificially synthesized GW data. Our results underline the significant potential of these methodologies in enhancing the accuracy and reliability of GW signal detection, thereby contributing to the broader field of astrophysical research.

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#### Introduction 1

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The astronomy of gravitational waves has drastically changed the realization of the universe by giving new insight through which we can observe cosmic phenomena, which was not possible earlier. First predicted by Albert Einstein in 1916 in general relativity theory, these ripples in space-time remained undetected for almost a century despite continuous effort by many astrophysicists. Indeed, Einstein predicted that accelerating massive objects, such as binary systems containing black holes or neutron stars, would produce ripples in spacetime. These ripples, now called gravitational waves, would propagate outward from the source at the speed of light, carrying with them information about the violent astrophysical events that produced them. In fact, these waves were quite elusive; it takes very sensitive machinery to detect them, which prevented the detection for almost a century beyond the prediction. The basis behind this prediction by Einstein is essentially that gravity is not just simply a force, as described by Issac Newton, but a curvature in spacetime caused by mass and energy. This curvature is perturbed by any object, especially a very massive and dense one, like black holes or neutron stars, that is accelerating. It produces these continuing oscillations of gravitational waves. These waves radiate outward from their source in a manner similar to ripples that spread on a pond when a stone is thrown into the water. The reason for such a long time of discovery of Gravitational Waves, even with all the firm theoretical framework provided by Einstein himself, was their very weak interaction with matter.

These Gravitational Waves are so subtle that they hardly interact with matter, and that is one of the reasons their measurement was so difficult. This astrophysical landscape dramatically changed in the year 2015 when, for the first time, there was a direct detection of Gravitational Waves from the merger of a binary black hole, later labeled as GW150914, obtained by the Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory. This breakthrough confirmed one of the key predictions of Einstein's theory, setting off the beginning of a new era in astrophysics: an era where the universe would not be observed only through electromagnetic waves but also through gravitational waves. Most astronomical observations before the Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory made its monumental progress were confined to electromagnetic waves. In contrast, gravitational waves are unfiltered information coming directly from the universe's most violent and extreme events, and they can travel undistorted over vast distances. By observing gravitational waves now, we will be able to study objects and events in the universe which are invisible because they do not emit light or other electromagnetic radiation, such as the black hole mergers. This was soon followed by the detection of other high-energy astrophysical phenomena-neutron star merger in 2017, also known as GW170817, and it opened the discovery called "multi-messenger astronomy." First, it was produced during the spiraling of the two neutron stars that eventually merged into one bigger object and emitted a short gamma ray bursta very energetic explosion normally associated with phenomenally energetic astrophysical events. In fact, this was singular, not only because it was the first observation of gravitational waves ever produced from the collision of two neutron stars, but its detection was observed well in multiple forms of electromagnetic radiation simultaneously. The merger of neutron stars represented the first time gravitational waves and electromagnetic signals had been directly observed from the same astrophysical event, which directly linked both phenomena under one vision of the modern astrophysical world.

These detections have been made possible by a worldwide network of detectors consisting of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory in the United States, Virgo in Europe, and the KAGRA detector in Japan. The facilities so far together have enabled researchers to view the universe in unprecedented ways, sharpening our knowledge about the basic nature of gravity and further advancing cosmology, nuclear physics, and the study of celestial objects. So far, the observation of GW170817 has, for example, given a new, independent way of measuring the Hubble constant, a measure of the expansion rate of the universe, in a way analogous to what happened in cosmology. In turn, nuclear physics was provided with a special laboratory, as neutron stars are made of some of the densest matter in the universe, to study the behavior of matter at nuclear densities.

However, Gravitational Wave signals are extremely faint, requiring the development of highly sophisticated data analysis techniques. The signals are often buried within substantial noise from environmental and instrumental sources, making the task of signal extraction particularly challenging. At first, a technique called matched filtering is used to identify weak signals by correlating the noisy data with theoretical templates of expected Gravitational Wave waveforms. These templates, each corresponding to different parameters of the potential Gravitational Wave sources – such as mass, spin, and distance – are constructed using general relativity and describe the expected signals from known sources, such as binary black holes or neutron star mergers. The goal of matched filtering is to maximize the signal-to-noise ratio, making it easier to distinguish genuine Gravitational Wave signals from background noise. In addition to matched filtering, other traditional methods, including time-domain analysis and Bayesian inference techniques, are also used to infer the properties of the source from the detected waveform. Nonetheless, traditional methods of data analysis, while effective, could have been increasingly improved if supplemented by Machine Learning and Deep Learning techniques. These modern computational methods have transformed the processing of Gravitational Wave data by their eligibility for detecting complex patterns in large datasets. All these aspects have improved significantly with the integration of Machine Learning methods into the analysis of Gravitational Wave signals, now allowing for real-time detection and a detailed study of the signal properties. A further building on these recent successes would seek to explore the range of Machine Learning methodologies for the analysis of data from Gravitational Waves.

This paper aims to build on these advancements by exploring a range of ML methodologies applied to GW data analysis. Starting with essential data preprocessing steps—such as noise reduction, signal extraction, and data normalization—we prepare the groundwork for applying advanced ML models. The input data for each model is tailored to optimize its performance; for example, time-series data is typically used for models like 1D Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) and 1D Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs). while spectrograms—capturing both time and frequency domain information—are suited for 2D CNNs and other models handling visual or sequential data. The different data representations allow each model to focus on specific aspects of the GW signal, such as temporal patterns or frequency-based features. These models include CNNs, RNNs (LSTMs and GRUs), convolutional and recurrent autoencoders, Transformers, Deep Belief Networks (DBNs), Graph Neural Networks (GNNs), generative adversarial networks (GANs), WaveNet, Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forest Classifiers (RF), and Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM). The focus is on optimizing the performance of these models for the detection, classification, and parameter estimation of GW signals. In addition, the paper explores the potential of synthetic data generation using techniques like GANs and WaveNet, which provide augmented training datasets and improve model robustness using artificially generated GW signals created by these synthetic models. By enhancing training data through realistic simulations of GW signals, we can further improve the models' accuracy in identifying rare or complex GW events. As the field continues to evolve, these methods promise to push the boundaries of GW astronomy, enabling more detailed and insightful explorations of the universe's most violent and energetic processes.

## 2 Raw Data Preprocessing

#### 2.1 Data Acquisition and Setup

#### 2.1.1 Setting GPS Time and Detector

For this study, we focus on a specific GW event (GW150914, the first confirmed observation of GWs from colliding black holes).

```
# Set GPS time:
t_start = 1126259462.4
t_end = 1126259462.4 # For specific events, make t_end the same as t_start
# Choose detector (H1, L1, or V1)
detector = 'H1'
```

Figure 1: Locating GPS time for Binary Black Holes merger (BBH) event GW150914 and choosing the Hanford (H1) detector.

#### 2.1.2 Importing TimeSeries Package

We ensure that we can successfully import TimeSeries from gwpy by installing the other required packages necessary for this installation.



Figure 2: Importing TimeSeries from gwpy.

#### 2.1.3 Downloading and Reading Data

The GW data is downloaded and read into a TimeSeries object.

```
from gwosc.locate import get_urls
url = get_urls(detector, t_start, t_end)[-1]
# If an event is chosen, then its info will be shown in url
print('Downloading: ', url)
fn = os.path.basename(url)
with open(fn,'wb') as strainfile:
    straindata = requests.get(url)
    strainfile.write(straindata.content)
```

Figure 3: Downloading and reading the GW data with the TimeSeries package imported in the last subsection.

### 2.2 Data Extraction and Handling Missing Values

#### 2.2.1 Extracting Data

The timestamps and strain values are extracted and stored in a pandas DataFrame.



Figure 4: Extracting the time and strain features from the raw GW data file.

#### 2.2.2 Handling Missing Values

Any missing values in the dataset are dropped to ensure clean data.



Figure 5: Dropping any NaN values from the dataset.

### 2.3 Data Noise Filtering and Normalization

#### 2.3.1 Band-Pass Filtering

Noise filtering is crucial in GW data analysis due to the presence of various noise sources that can distract us from the true signal. One common method is band-pass filtering, which allows signals within a specific frequency range to pass through while reducing the significance of signals outside this range. The low cutoff frequency (20 Hz) and high cutoff frequency (500 Hz) are chosen based on the expected characteristics of a BBH event. Consequently, applying a band-pass filter helps in enhancing the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of the GW data, increasing the exposure of the actual GW signal.

```
# Band-pass filter function
def butter_bandpass(lowcut, highcut, fs, order=5):
    nyq = 0.5 * fs
    low = lowcut / nyq
    high = highcut / nyq
    b, a = butter(order, [low, high], btype='band')
    return b, a
def bandpass_filter(data, lowcut, highcut, fs, order=5):
    b, a = butter_bandpass(lowcut, highcut, fs, order=order)
    y = filtfilt(b, a, data)
    return y
# Filter params
lowcut = 20 # Low cutoff frequency (Hz)
highcut = 500 # High cutoff frequency (Hz)
# Band-pass filter strain data
data['strain'] = bandpass_filter(data['strain'], lowcut, highcut, 4096)
```

Figure 6: butter\_bandpass function designs a band-pass filter with specified low and high cutoff frequencies, while bandpass\_filter function applies the designed filter to the GW data, removing noise outside the specified frequency range.

#### 2.3.2 Data Normalization

Normalization is another crucial preprocessing step that adjusts the GW data to a common scale, making it easier to analyze and compare. This step ensures that the strain data have a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. Standardizing the strain data is essential for ensuring that all features contribute equally to the analysis and for improving the performance of ML models that are sensitive to the scale of the data.



Figure 7: StandardScaler function standardizes the features so that they're easier for ML algorithms to analyze.

#### 2.4 Final Data Inspection

We briefly look at the data after it's being preprocessed.

```
First few rows of data:
           time
                    strain
   1.126257e+09 -2.509170
0
   1.126257e+09
                  0.070279
1
2
   1.126257e+09
                  2.209691
3
   1.126257e+09
                  3.618610
   1.126257e+09
                  4.256309
4
Col headers:
Index(['time', 'strain'], dtype='object')
Summary stats:
                time
                            strain
       1.677722e+07
                      1.677722e+07
count
mean
       1.126259e+09 -1.758737e-17
std
       1.182413e+03
                      1.000000e+00
min
       1.126257e+09 -3.686864e+00
25%
       1.126258e+09 -7.088868e-01
50%
       1.126259e+09
                      1.167451e-03
75%
       1.126260e+09
                      7.087773e-01
       1.126262e+09
                      4.284804e+00
max
Missing vals in each col:
time
          0
          0
strain
dtype: int64
Sampling frequency: 4096.0 Hz Hz
```

Figure 8: Characteristics and features of the preprocessed GW data.

## 3 Data Visualization and Analysis

Visualization is an essential tool in GW data analysis, offering clear insights into the behavior and structure of astrophysical sources. In the time domain, GW features reveal key dynamics of compact objects like black holes and neutron stars, such as their masses, spins, and orbital characteristics. Time-domain analysis also highlights transient events, like mergers, and plays a crucial role in identifying noise to improve the signal-to-noise (SNR) ratio. Traditional, simplistic event detection focuses on recognizing significant signals from astrophysical phenomena, enabling timely follow-up observations across multiple observatories, and supporting multi-messenger astronomy. Lastly, parameter estimation determines the physical attributes of GW sources, allowing for rigorous tests of gravitational theories and enhancing our understanding of the population and evolution of compact celestial objects.

### 3.1 Time Series Plot

We visualize how the strain data changes over time.



Figure 9: Graph of time-series plot (strain data versus time).

In the plot, peaks and troughs may correspond to significant events such as black hole mergers or neutron star collisions, and it is useful for initial data inspection, allowing us to identify the presence of potential GW events.

### 3.2 Spectrogram

We visualize how the frequency content of the strain data changes over time.



Figure 10: Graph of spectrograms (strain data's frequency versus time).

This plot helps identify transient events and their frequency components, which are crucial for distinguishing between noises and actual GW signals. Additionally, spectrograms provides a detailed view of how the signal's frequency content evolves, and spectrogram data can be used as 2D GW data for the implementation of certain ML models.

#### 3.3 Histogram

We visualize the distribution of strain values.



Figure 11: Graph of Histogram (frequency distribution of strain data).

This plot provides an overview of the data's spread, central tendency, and outliers. This is useful for identifying any anomalies or patterns in the data. Besides this, understanding the distribution of the strain values is crucial for subsequent statistical analysis and for ensuring that the GW data meets the expectations of various ML algorithms.

### 3.4 Time-Domain Features

The function calc\_and\_print\_time\_domain\_features is designed to extract and print key time-domain features from GW data.



Figure 12: The function accepts three parameters: data (a DataFrame containing the signal and time data), strain\_column (the strain data column), and fs (the sampling frequency), and the function calculates the peak and minimum amplitudes of the specified strain column. For computational purposes, a threshold is set at 50% of the peak amplitude, and the duration of significant signals exceeding this threshold is calculated and printed. As a result, the function calculates and prints the signal power, noise power, and SNR.

Time-domain features in GW data are crucial because they provide direct insights into the dynamics of astrophysical sources and the propagation of GWs. By analyzing these features, we can extract critical information about the nature and behavior of compact objects, such as black holes and neutron stars, and the environments in which they reside.

For instance, the shape and structure of the GW signal in the time domain can reveal the mass, spin, and orbital dynamics of a binary merger event. Features such as chirps, where the frequency and amplitude of the wave increase as the objects spiral closer, are particularly informative. Also, detecting short-lived, transient signals helps identify specific events like black hole mergers and neutron star collisions, and each of them has a unique, discoverable signature in the time domain.

Time-domain analysis allows for the identification of noises, which is essential for improving the signalto-noise ratio (SNR) and ensuring the accuracy of the detected signals.



Figure 13: The output of the function prints the peak amplitude, minimum amplitude, signal duration, and SNR.

#### 3.5 Basic Event Detection and Parameter Estimation

The calc\_threshold function calculates a threshold for event detection based on the standard deviation of the noise in the strain data.



Figure 14: This function calculates a threshold based on the standard deviation of the strain data. The threshold is set to a multiple of this standard deviation. A threshold of approximately 3 is calculated and returned.

The detect\_events function identifies events in the strain data based on the calculated threshold.

```
def detect events(data, strain column, threshold):
    events = []
    event start = None
    for i, strain in enumerate(data[strain column]):
        if abs(strain) > threshold:
            if event start is None:
                event start = i
        else:
            if event start is not None:
                event end = i
                events.append((event_start, event end))
                event start = None
    # Check if an event is ongoing at end of data
    if event start is not None:
        events.append((event_start, len(data[strain_column]) - 1))
    return events
```

Figure 15: This function identifies events where the absolute strain exceeds the calculated threshold, and it iterates through the strain data, marking the start and end of events. In the end, detected events are stored as start and end indices in a list.

Event detection is the process of identifying important signals within the GW data that correspond to astrophysical phenomena. Rapid detection enables follow-up observations with EM and other observatories, providing critical support to multi-messenger astronomy.

The estimate\_event\_params function calculates parameters for each detected event.



Figure 16: This function calculates parameters such as start time (GPS time), end time (GPS time), peak amplitude, and duration for each detected event. For each event, the function extracts relevant data and calculates the required parameters, storing them in an array.

Parameter estimation conveys the importance of determining the physical parameters of the GW source, such as masses, spins, distances, and orbital characteristics. Accurate parameter estimation is vital for interpreting GW observations and understanding the underlying physics.

High-precision parameter estimation allows for stringent tests of general relativity and other gravitational theories. Detailed parameter estimation helps expound the population properties of compact objects, their formation channels, and their role in the cosmos.

Event Params:	
{'start_time': 1126257415.0007324,	'end_time': 1126257415.001709, 'peak_amplitude': 4.284804453733104, 'duration': 0.001220703125}
{'start_time': 1126257418.3012695,	'end_time': 1126257418.3015137, 'peak_amplitude': 3.10656720831358, 'duration': 0.00048828125}
{'start_time': 1126257418.4667969,	'end_time': 1126257418.467041, 'peak_amplitude': 3.1396660570114685, 'duration': 0.00048828125}
{'start_time': 1126257423.3283691,	'end_time': 1126257423.3283691, 'peak_amplitude': 3.0493328722819033, 'duration': 0.000244140625}
{'start_time': 1126257423.4399414,	'end_time': 1126257423.4401855, 'peak_amplitude': 3.139458428439673, 'duration': 0.00048828125}
{'start_time': 1126257423.4418945,	'end_time': 1126257423.4421387, 'peak_amplitude': 3.1423561734113865, 'duration': 0.00048828125}
{'start_time': 1126257424.4831543,	'end_time': 1126257424.4833984, 'peak_amplitude': 3.0957766543715897, 'duration': 0.00048828125}
{'start_time': 1126257424.4851074,	'end_time': 1126257424.4855957, 'peak_amplitude': 3.1352130176788724, 'duration': 0.000732421875}
{'start_time': 1126257424.4865723,	'end_time': 1126257424.4873047, 'peak_amplitude': 3.1980572133814493, 'duration': 0.0009765625}
{'start_time': 1126257426.8842773,	'end_time': 1126257426.8845215, 'peak_amplitude': 3.186333462298193, 'duration': 0.00048828125}

Figure 17: These are the event parameters of the first 10 events detected.

#### 3.6 Basic Statistical Analysis

The summarize\_event\_params function summarizes the parameters of detected events.

```
def summarize event params(event params):
    if not event params: # Check if event params array is empty
        return {
            'num events': 0,
            'average_duration': 0,
            'max duration': 0,
            'average peak amplitude': 0,
            'max peak amplitude': 0
        }
    durations = [param['duration'] for param in event params]
    peak amplitudes = [param['peak_amplitude'] for param in event_params]
    summary = {
        'num events': len(event params),
        'average_duration': np.mean(durations),
        'max duration': np.max(durations),
        'average peak amplitude': np.mean(peak amplitudes),
        'max_peak_amplitude': np.max(peak_amplitudes)
    return summary
```

Figure 18: This function summarizes detected event parameters, and if no events are detected, it returns a summary with zeros. For detected events, it calculates and returns the number of events, average duration, maximum duration, average peak amplitude, and maximum peak amplitude.

mmmary of Event Params: 'num\_events': 1645, 'average\_duration': 0.0005074266242401216, 'max\_duration': 0.004150390625, 'average\_peak\_amplitude': 3.127237008782134, 'max\_peak\_amplitude': 4.284804453733104']

Figure 19: This is the summary of the detected events and their corresponding parameters, including total number of events detected, average duration, maximum duration, average peak amplitude, and maximum peak amplitude.

## 4 Data Preparation and Augmentation

### 4.1 Data Segmentation and Labeling

The continuous GW strain data is split into smaller, manageable segments and labeled appropriately. This step is critical for preparing the dataset for supervised learning, allowing the model to learn based on discoverable patterns.

```
def create segments and labels(strain, event time, window size, sample rate):
    # Resample strain to desired sample rate (if necessary)
    strain = strain.resample(sample rate)
    # Def segments and labels ls
    segments = []
    labels = []
    # Calc # of samples per segment
    segment length = int(window size * sample rate)
    # Create segments and labels
    for i in range(0, len(strain) - segment_length, segment_length):
        segment = strain[i:i + segment length]
        segments.append(segment.value)
        # Label based on event presence
        if segment.times.value[0] <= event time <= segment.times.value[-1]:</pre>
            labels.append(1) # Event present
        else:
            labels.append(0) # No event
    # Convert to np arrays
    segments = np.array(segments)
    labels = np.array(labels)
    return segments, labels
segments, labels = create_segments_and_labels(strain, t_start, 2, fs)
```

Figure 20: The function create\_segments\_and\_labels is used to split the strain data into segments of 2 seconds each, starting at t\_start (start of GW150914 event) and sampled at fs Hz (4096 Hz).



Figure 21: The shape of GW data's segments and labels.

### 4.2 Time-series Data Reshaping for 1D and Synthetic Models

To ensure the compatibility of the time-series data for 1D and synthetic models, time-series data is reshaped to include an extra dimension.



Figure 22: The segment data is reshaped with an additional dimension of 1. Then, the data is split into the training set (80% of the data) and the testing set (20% of the data).



Figure 23: The shape of the input time-series data.

### 4.3 Spectrogram Data Generation for 2D Models

To examine the spatial feature extraction capabilities of 2D models, time-series data is converted into spectrograms, which provide a frequency domain representation of the data.



Figure 24: The generate\_spectrogram function converts each time-series segment into a spectrogram, and the spectrograms are then reshaped to include a channel dimension for compatibility with 2D model input. Then, the data is split into the training set (80% of the data) and testing set (20% of the data).



Figure 25: The shape of the input spectrogram data.

#### 4.4 Dataloader Generation for Transformer

Data preparation for the Transformer model involves creating a custom, plain dataset class used to convert the data into PyTorch tensors and using PyTorch's DataLoader for batching, shuffling, and splitting.

```
class GWDataset(Dataset):
   def __init__(self, segments, labels):
       self.segments = segments
        self.labels = labels
   def len (self):
        return len(self.segments)
   def getitem (self, idx):
        segment = torch.tensor(self.segments[idx], dtype=torch.float32)
        label = torch.tensor(self.labels[idx], dtype=torch.long)
       return segment, label
# Create dataset and dataloader
dataset = GWDataset(segments_aug, labels_aug)
train size = int(0.8 * len(dataset))
test_size = len(dataset) - train_size
train dataset, test dataset = torch.utils.data.random split(dataset, [train size, test size])
train_loader = DataLoader(train_dataset, batch_size=32, shuffle=True)
test_loader = DataLoader(test_dataset, batch_size=32, shuffle=False)
```

Figure 26: For batching and shuffling purposes, the data is split into training (80%) and testing (20%) datasets using Python functions and PyTorch.

#### 4.5 Tensor Data Creation for DBN

For the DBN model, the data is split into training and testing sets using Scikit-Learn's train\_test\_split function, and it's then converted to PyTorch tensors.

```
# Split data into training and test sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(segments, labels, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
X_train_aug, y_train_aug = augment_data(X_train, y_train)
# Pytorch tensors
X_train_aug = torch.tensor(X_train_aug, dtype=torch.float32)
X_test = torch.tensor(X_test, dtype=torch.float32)
y_train_aug = torch.tensor(y_train_aug, dtype=torch.float32).view(-1, 1)
y_test = torch.tensor(y_test, dtype=torch.float32).view(-1, 1)
```

Figure 27: The data here is split into training (80%) and testing (20%) datasets with simply the Scikit-Learn's train\_test\_split function.

#### 4.6 Graphical Data Generation for GNN

Graph-structured data is created for the GNN model, which captures complex relationships and structures in the GW data.

```
# Graph data
def create_graph_data(gw_signals, labels):
    graphs = []
    for signal, label in zip(gw_signals, labels):
        node_features = torch.tensor(signal, dtype=torch.float).unsqueeze(1)
        edge_index = torch.tensor([[i, i+1] for i in range(len(signal)-1)], dtype=torch.long).t().contiguous()
        y = torch.tensor([label], dtype=torch.long)
        graph = Data(x=node_features, edge_index=edge_index, y=y)
        graphs.append(graph)
        return graphs
graph_data = create_graph_data(segments_aug, labels_aug)
# Dataloader
data_loader = DataLoader(graph_data, batch_size=256, shuffle=True)
```

Figure 28: For its spatial capturing capabilities, GNN requires graphical data input, and PyTorch's DataLoader is utilized for batching and shuffling

Loop Over Signals and Labels

- The zip(gw\_signals, labels) function pairs each signal with its corresponding label.
- torch.tensor(signal, dtype=torch.float): converts the signal into a PyTorch tensor.
- .unsqueeze(1): adds an extra dimension to the tensor.
- [[i, i+1] for i in range(len(signal)-1)]: creates pairs of consecutive indices (i, i+1), representing the edges between consecutive nodes in the graph.
- torch.tensor(..., dtype=torch.long): converts index pairs into a PyTorch tensor.
- .t(): transposes the tensor.
- .contiguous(): ensures that the tensor's memory layout is compatible for efficient processing.
- torch.tensor([label], dtype=torch.long): converts the label into a PyTorch tensor.
- Data(x=node\_features, edge\_index=edge\_index, y=y): creates a graph data object using the Data class from PyTorch Geometric.

The function at the end returns the list of graph data objects.

#### 4.7 Data Augmentation

To prevent overfitting and improve generalization, data augmentation techniques are applied to the training data.



Figure 29: The augment\_data function artificially increases the size of the training dataset by introducing variability.

## 5 Model Building, Training, and Evaluation

### 5.1 CNNs and RNNs

CNNs and RNNs are key architectures in DL, designed for different types of data. CNNs, especially 2D CNNs, are highly effective for spatial data, like images, using convolutional layers to detect patterns like edges and textures, making them ideal for image classification. RNNs excel in handling sequential data, such as time series data, by using loops to maintain context across input sequences, making them suitable for time-series prediction. These two types of DL models are commonly utilized for binary event classification in GW research.

### 5.1.1 1D CNN

A 1D CNN model is constructed and trained on the augmented time-series data.

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #
conv1d (Conv1D)	(None,	8190, 16)	64
max_pooling1d (MaxPooling1 D)	(None,	4095, 16)	0
conv1d_1 (Conv1D)	(None,	4093, 32)	1568
max_pooling1d_1 (MaxPoolin g1D)	(None,	2046, 32)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None,	65472)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None,	64)	4190272
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None,	64)	0
dense_3 (Dense)	(None,	1)	65

Figure 30: The 1D CNN model processes the time-series data directly, using convolutional layers to extract temporal features, pooling layers to reduce dimensionality, dense layers to classify event presence, and a dropout layer to prevent overfitting.

#### 5.1.2 2D CNN

A 2D CNN model is built and trained on the augmented spectrogram data.

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None,	127, 34, 16)	160
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2 D)	(None,	63, 17, 16)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None,	61, 15, 32)	4640
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPoolin g2D)	(None,	30, 7, 32)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None,	6720)	0
dense (Dense)	(None,	64)	430144
dropout (Dropout)	(None,	64)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	1)	65

Figure 31: The 2D CNN model consists of convolutional layers for feature extraction, pooling layers for dimensionality reduction, and dense layers for event classification. A dropout layer is added to help prevent overfitting.

#### 5.1.3 LSTM

An LSTM model is constructed and trained on the augmented time-series data.

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
lstm (LSTM)	(None, 2048, 64)	16896
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 2048, 64)	0
lstm_1 (LSTM)	(None, 64)	33024
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 1)	65

Figure 32: The LSTM model processes the time-series data directly, using two LSTM layers for feature extraction, two dropout layers to prevent overfitting, and a dense layer to classify event presence. For quicker model training, the size of the data for LSTM is resampled to four times less than the data for 1D and 2D CNN

#### 5.1.4 GRU

A GRU model is constructed and trained on the augmented time-series data.

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
gru (GRU)	(None, 2048, 64)	12864
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None, 2048, 64)	0
gru_1 (GRU)	(None, 64)	24960
dropout_3 (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 1)	65

Figure 33: The GRU model processes the time-series data directly, using two GRU layers for feature extraction, two dropout layers to prevent overfitting, and a dense layer to classify event presence. For quicker model training, the size of the data for LSTM is resampled to four times less than the data for 1D and 2D CNN

### 5.2 Autoencoders

In addition to the application of convolutional and recurrent layers, the primary purpose of the autoencoders is to first compress the dimensions of the data in the encoder section and then expand the dimensions back in the decoder section, with the bottleneck section in the middle to mark the end of data dimensionality reduction and the start of data dimensionality expansion, and this is similar to as if you are to visualize the Big Bounce hypothesis on the contraction and expansion of the universe. Because of the unique training process of these autoencoders, ReLU activation is chosen for its non-linearity. Additionally, this method attempts to reconstruct the original input at the end of the training process, and then we can visualize how well the autoencoder performs at this reconstruction step to determine its ability in GW event detection.

#### 5.2.1 1D CNN Autoencoder

1D CNN Autoencoder is efficient in extracting temporal features from time-series data.

```
# Encoder
encoder = Sequential([
   Conv1D(16, 3, activation='relu', input shape=(segments.shape[1], 1)),
   MaxPooling1D(2),
   Conv1D(32, 3, activation='relu'),
   MaxPooling1D(2),
   Conv1D(64, 3, activation='relu'),
   MaxPooling1D(2)
])
# Bottleneck
bottleneck = Sequential([
    Flatten(),
   Dense(32, activation='relu')
])
# Decoder
decoder = Sequential([
   Dense(64 * (segments.shape[1] // 8), activation='relu', input_shape=(32,)),
   Reshape((segments.shape[1] // 8, 64)),
   UpSampling1D(2),
    Conv1D(32, 3, activation='relu', padding='same'),
   UpSampling1D(2),
   Conv1D(16, 3, activation='relu', padding='same'),
   UpSampling1D(2),
   Conv1D(1, 3, activation='sigmoid', padding='same')
```

Figure 34: The 1D CNN autoencoder contains an encoder section (with 1D convolutional layers for feature extraction and 1D pooling layers for spatial dimensionality reduction), a bottleneck section (with a flatten layer to convert the data from 1D feature maps into a 1D vector and a dense layer for dimensionality reduction), and a decoder section (with a dense layer to expands the compressed data into higher dimensional space, a reshape layer to map the data from 1D vector to 2D tensor, 1D convolutional layers to feature refining, and 1D upsampling layers for dimensionality expansion).

#### 5.2.2 2D CNN Autoencoder

2D CNN autoencoder is effective in capturing spatial hierarchies from spectrograms.

```
# Encoder
encoder = Sequential([
   Conv2D(16, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same', input_shape=(spectrograms.shape[1], spectrograms.shape[2], 1)),
    MaxPooling2D((2, 2), padding='same'),
    Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    MaxPooling2D((2, 2), padding='same'),
    Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    MaxPooling2D((2, 2), padding='same')
bottleneck = Sequential([
    Flatten(),
    Dense(256, activation='relu')
# Decoder
decoder = Sequential([
    Dense(64 * (spectrograms.shape[1] // 8) * (spectrograms.shape[2] // 8), activation='relu', input_shape=(256,)),
    Reshape(((spectrograms.shape[1] // 8), (spectrograms.shape[2] // 8), 64)),
    UpSampling2D((2, 2)),
    Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    UpSampling2D((2, 2)),
    Conv2D(16, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    UpSampling2D((2, 2)),
    Conv2D(1, (3, 3), activation='sigmoid', padding='same')
```

Figure 35: The 2D CNN autoencoder contains an encoder section (with 2D convolutional layers for feature extraction and 2D pooling layers for spatial dimensionality reduction), a bottleneck section (with a flatten layer to map the data from 2D feature maps into a 1D vector and a dense layer for dimensionality reduction), and a decoder section (with a dense layer to expands the compressed data into higher dimensional space, a reshape layer to map the data from 1D vector to 3D vector, 2D convolutional layers to feature refining, and 2D upsampling layers for dimensionality expansion).

#### 5.2.3 LSTM Autoencoder

LSTM Autoencoder captures and learns long-term dependencies in sequential data.

```
# Encoder
encoder = Sequential([
    LSTM(64, activation='relu', return_sequences=True, input_shape=(segments.shape[1], 1)),
    LSTM(32, activation='relu', return_sequences=False)
1)
# Bottleneck
bottleneck = Sequential([
   Dense(32, activation='relu')
])
# Decoder
decoder = Sequential([
    RepeatVector(segments.shape[1]),
    LSTM(32, activation='relu', return_sequences=True),
    LSTM(64, activation='relu', return_sequences=True),
    TimeDistributed(Dense(1))
])
```

Figure 36: The LSTM autoencoder contains an encoder section (with LSTM layers for data processing and timesteps returning), a bottleneck section (with a dense layer for dimensionality reduction), and a decoder section (with a RepeateVector layer to simply repeat the compressed data for it to match the input sequence length, LSTM layers to preprocess the data for the repeated vector and return its timesteps, a TimeDistributed layer to apply a dense layer to each timestep to reconstruct the original input data).

#### 5.2.4 GRU Autoencoder

GRU Autoencoder is efficient memory usage and effective for sequential dependencies.

```
# Encoder
encoder = Sequential([
    GRU(64, activation='relu', return_sequences=True, input_shape=(segments.shape[1], 1)),
    GRU(32, activation='relu', return_sequences=False)
])
# Bottleneck
bottleneck = Sequential([
    Dense(32, activation='relu')
])
# Decoder
decoder = Sequential([
    RepeatVector(segments.shape[1]),
    GRU(32, activation='relu', return_sequences=True),
    GRU(64, activation='relu', return_sequences=True),
    TimeDistributed(Dense(1))
])
```

Figure 37: The GRU autoencoder contains an encoder section (with GRU layers for data processing and timesteps returning), a bottleneck section (with a dense layer for dimensionality reduction), and a decoder section (with a RepeateVector layer to simply repeat the compressed data for it to match the input sequence length, GRU layers to preprocess the data for the repeated vector and return its timesteps, a TimeDistributed layer to apply a dense layer to each timestep to reconstruct the original input data).

#### 5.3 Transformer

A Transformer model is defined and trained for time-series data classification, utilizing its ability to capture long-range dependencies in the data.

```
# Set hyperparams
input_dim = 1 # time-series data
model_dim = 128
num_heads = 8
num_layers = 4
lr = 1e-4
batch_size = 256
dropout_rate = 0.2
output_dim = 2 # binary classificiation of event presence
num_epochs = 5
```

Figure 38: All the hyperparameters needed to train the Transformer model.



Figure 39: Defining the Transformer model.

The class inherits from the base class, nn.Module, for all Neural Network (NN) modules in PyTorch. \_\_init\_\_() function:

- nn.Linear(input\_dim, model\_dim) is an embedding layer that linearly projects the input from input\_dim to model\_dim.
- nn.Parameter(torch.zeros(1, 8192, model\_dim)) creates a positional encoding tensor with shape (1,8192, model\_dim). This encodes positional information to help the model understand the order of input.
- nn.TransformerEncoderLayer defines a transformer encoder layer with:
  - model\_dim: the dimension of the model.
  - num\_heads: the number of attention heads.
  - dim\_feedforward=2048: the dimension of the feedforward network.
  - dropout=dropout\_rate: the dropout rate.
- nn.TransformerEncoder stacks the encoder layers to form the complete transformer encoder.
- nn.Linear(model\_dim, output\_dim) linearly projects the output from model\_dim to output\_dim.

forward() function:

- x.unsqueeze(-1) adds an extra dimension to x, making its shape compatible for the embedding layer.
- self.embedding(x.unsqueeze(-1)) applies the linear transformation to the input.
- + self.positional\_encoding[:, :x.size(1), :] adds the positional encoding to the embedded input.
- self.transformer\_encoder(x) processes the input through the transformer encoder stack.
- x.mean(dim=1) performs global average pooling across the sequence dimension, resulting in a tensor of shape (batch\_size, model\_dim).
- self.fc\_out(x) linearly transforms the pooled tensor to the desired output dimension.
- The final output tensor is then returned.

```
def train_and_evaluate(model, train_loader, test_loader, criterion, optimizer, num_epochs):
   train losses = []
   test_accuracies = []
   for epoch in range(num epochs):
       model.train()
       running_loss = 0.0
       for segments_aug, labels_aug in train_loader:
           optimizer.zero_grad()
           outputs = model(segments aug)
           loss = criterion(outputs, labels_aug)
           loss.backward()
           optimizer.step()
           running_loss += loss.item()
       train loss = running loss / len(train loader)
       train_losses.append(train_loss)
       print(f'Epoch {epoch+1}/{num epochs}, Loss: {train loss}')
       model.eval()
       correct = 0
       total = 0
       with torch.no grad():
            for segments_aug, labels_aug in test_loader:
               outputs = model(segments_aug)
                _, predicted = torch.max(outputs.data, 1)
                total += labels aug.size(0)
               correct += (predicted == labels_aug).sum().item()
       test_accuracy = correct / total
       test_accuracies.append(test_accuracy)
   return train_losses, test_accuracies
```

Figure 40: Defining the function for training and evaluating the Transformer model.

train\_and\_evaluate() function:

- Epoch Loop: iterates over the epochs.
  - model.train(): sets the model to training mode.
  - running\_loss is initialized to 0.0 to accumulate the training loss over all batches in the epoch.
  - Batch Loop: iterates over all batches in the train\_loader.
    - \* optimizer.zero\_grad(): clears the gradients of all optimized parameters.
    - \* outputs = model(segments\_aug): computes the model outputs for the input batch.
    - \* loss = criterion(outputs, labels\_aug): calculates the loss between the predicted outputs and the true labels.
    - \* loss.backward(): computes the gradient of the loss.
    - \* optimizer.step(): updates the model parameters using the computed gradients.
    - \* running\_loss += loss.item(): adds the batch loss to the running total loss for the epoch.

- train\_loss = running\_loss / len(train\_loader): calculates the average training loss for the epoch.
- train\_losses.append(train\_loss): appends the average training loss to train\_losses.
- model.eval(): sets the model to evaluation mode.
- with torch.no\_grad(): disables gradient computation, which reduces memory usage and speeds up computations.
- Batch Loop: iterates over all batches in the test\_loader.
  - \* outputs = model(segments\_aug): computes the model outputs for the input batch.
  - \* \_, predicted = torch.max(outputs.data, 1): finds the one with the highest predicted score for each sample.
  - \* total += labels\_aug.size(0) and correct += (predicted == labels\_aug).sum().item():
    updates the total number of samples and the number of correct predictions.
- The function returns two lists: train\_losses, containing the average training loss for each epoch, and test\_accuracies, containing the test accuracy for each epoch.



Figure 41: Building and training the Transformer model.

### 5.4 DBN

A DBN is trained for binary classification, capturing hierarchical representations in the data.



Figure 42: Defining the DBN model.

The class inherits from the base class, nn.Module, for all NN modules in PyTorch. \_\_init\_\_() function:

- self.layer1 takes the input data and outputs 256 features.
- self.layer2 takes the 256 features from layer1 and outputs 128 features.
- self.layer3 takes the 128 features from layer2 and outputs 64 features.
- **self.output** takes the 64 features from **layer3** and outputs a single feature for binary classification or regression.
- Sigmoid activation is used.

forward() function:

• It defines the forward pass of the network, which is the way input data flows through the network shown in the constructor.

• The final output  $\mathbf{x}$  is returned. It will be in the range of (0, 1), which is fit for binary classification tasks.



Figure 43: Training and evaluating the DBN model.

Epoch Loop: iterates over the epochs.

- model.train(): sets the model to training.
- optimizer.zero\_grad(): clears the gradients of all optimized parameters.
- outputs = model(X\_train\_aug): processes the input data X\_train\_aug and produces outputs.
- loss = criterion(outputs, y\_train\_aug): calculates the difference between the outputs and the true labels y\_train\_aug.
- loss.backward(): performs backpropagation to compute the gradients of the loss respective to the parameters.
- optimizer.step(): updates the parameters using the computed gradients.
- predicted = (outputs >= 0.5).float(): converts the outputs to binary predictions with a threshold of 0.5.
- accuracy = (predicted.eq(y\_train\_aug).sum() / float(y\_train\_aug.shape[0])).item(): compares the predicted labels to the true labels and calculates the accuracy.
- with torch.no\_grad(): disables gradient computation, which reduces the memory used and speeds up computations.
- val\_outputs = model(X\_test): processes the test data X\_test.
- val\_loss = criterion(val\_outputs, y\_test): calculates the difference between the outputs and the true labels y\_test.
- val\_predicted = (val\_outputs >= 0.5).float(): converts the outputs to binary predictions.
- val\_accuracy = (val\_predicted.eq(y\_test).sum() / float(y\_test.shape[0])).item(): calculates the accuracy of the predictions on the test data.

#### 5.5 GNN

A GNN is trained for classification, using the graph structure of the data to capture complex relationships.



Figure 44: Defining the GNN model.

The class inherits from the base class, nn.Module, for all NN modules in PyTorch. \_\_init\_\_() function:

- self.conv1 = GCNConv(in\_channels=in\_channels, out\_channels=16): initializes the first graph convolutional layer with input data and 16 output features.
- self.conv2 = GCNConv(in\_channels=16, out\_channels=32): initializes the second graph convolutional layer with 16 input features from the first layer and 32 output features.
- self.fc = torch.nn.Linear(32, 2): initializes a fully connected layer that takes 32 input features from the second layer and outputs 2 features used for binary classification.

forward() function:

• It defines the forward pass of the network, which is the way input data flows through the network shown in the constructor.

- x = F.relu(x): applies the ReLU activation.
- x = global\_mean\_pool(x, batch): applies global mean pooling to obtain a graph-level representation.
- x = self.fc(x): applies the fully connected layer to the graph-level representation.
- return F.log\_softmax(x, dim=1): applies the log softmax function, converting the raw scores into log-probabilities for classification tasks.

```
# Training history
train losses = []
train accuracies = []
# Training loop
def train():
   model.train()
   epoch loss = 0
    correct = 0
    for data in data loader:
        optimizer.zero grad()
        output = model(data)
        loss = criterion(output, data.y)
        loss.backward()
       optimizer.step()
        epoch loss += loss.item()
        pred = output.argmax(dim=1)
        correct += (pred == data.y).sum().item()
    train losses.append(epoch loss / len(data loader))
    print(f"Loss: {epoch loss / len(data loader)}")
    train accuracies.append(correct / len(graph_data))
    print(f"Accuracy: {correct / len(graph data)}")
# Train & evalute GNN
epochs = 10
for epoch in range(epochs):
    print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}/{epochs}")
    train()
```



train() function:

- model.train(): sets the model to training.
- Batch Loop: Iterates over all batches in the data\_loader.
  - optimizer.zero\_grad(): clears the gradients of all optimized parameters.
  - output = model(data): passes the input data to get predictions.
  - loss = criterion(output, data.y): calculates the loss between the output and the true labels.
  - loss.backward(): compute the gradient of the loss respective to the parameters.
  - optimizer.step(): update the parameters with the computed gradients.
  - .item() converts the tensor to a number.
  - pred = output.argmax(dim=1): obtain the prediction with the index of the highest log probability.

Epoch Loop: applies train() function over epochs.

### 5.6 GAN

#### 5.6.1 Hyperparameters



Figure 46: The hyperparameters for implementing GAN.

- latent\_dim: dimensionality of the latent space (input vector)).
- num\_gw\_data\_to\_generate: number of synthetic gravitational wave data samples to generate after training.

#### 5.6.2 Define Generator

The build\_generator function creates the generator model to synthesize GW data.

```
def build generator(latent dim):
    model = Sequential()
    model.add(Dense(256 * 1024, input_dim=latent_dim))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(BatchNormalization(momentum=0.8))
    model.add(Reshape((1024, 256)))
    model.add(UpSampling1D())
    model.add(Conv1D(128, kernel size=3, padding='same'))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(BatchNormalization(momentum=0.8))
    model.add(UpSampling1D())
    model.add(Conv1D(64, kernel size=3, padding='same'))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(BatchNormalization(momentum=0.8))
    model.add(UpSampling1D())
    model.add(Conv1D(1, kernel_size=3, padding='same', activation='tanh'))
    return model
```

Figure 47: The construction of the build generator.

- Dense Layer: initial dense layer with latent\_dim input.
- LeakyReLU: LeakyReLU activation function.
- BatchNormalization: normalizes the output.
- Reshape: reshapes the output into a suitable shape for Conv1D layers.
- UpSampling1D: upsamples the input.
- Conv1D Layers: convolutional layers to extract features.
- Activation: tanh activation to output values between -1 and 1.

#### 5.6.3 Define Discriminator

The build\_discriminator function creates the discriminator model to distinguish real versus generated data.

```
def build_discriminator(input_shape):
    model = Sequential()
    model.add(Conv1D(64, kernel_size=3, strides=2, input_shape=input_shape, padding='same'))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(Conv1D(128, kernel_size=3, strides=2, padding='same'))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(LeakyReLU(alpha=0.2))
    model.add(Flatten())
    model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
    return model
```



- Conv1D Layers: convolutional layers to extract features.
- LeakyReLU: LeakyReLU activation function.
- Flatten: Flattens the 3D tensor into 1D.
- Dense Layer: final dense layer to output a single probability (of it being real and not generated data) with sigmoid activation.

#### 5.6.4 Define GAN

The build\_gan function combines the generator and discriminator into a GAN model.



Figure 49: The construction of the GAN.

- Compile Discriminator: compile the discriminator.
- Freeze Discriminator: ensure only the generator is trained.
- GAN Input: create input layer for the GAN model.
- Generated Data: pass input through the generator to get synthetic data.
- GAN Output: pass generated data through the discriminator to get the probability (of it being real and not generated data).
- Compile GAN: compile the GAN model.

#### 5.6.5 Train GAN

The train\_gan function trains the GAN by alternating between training the discriminator and the generator. The steps are as follows:

```
def train_gan(generator, discriminator, gan, data, epochs, batch_size, latent_dim):
    half batch = int(batch_size / 2)
    d_losses = []
   g_losses = []
    for epoch in range(1, epochs+1):
        # Train Discriminator
        idx = np.random.randint(0, data.shape[0], half_batch)
        real data = data[idx]
        noise = np.random.normal(0, 1, (half_batch, latent_dim))
        generated_data = generator.predict(noise)
       d_loss_real = discriminator.train_on_batch(real_data, np.ones((half_batch, 1)))
       d_loss_fake = discriminator.train_on_batch(generated_data, np.zeros((half_batch, 1)))
        d_loss = 0.5 * np.add(d_loss_real, d_loss_fake)
       # Train Generator
       noise = np.random.normal(0, 1, (batch_size, latent_dim))
       valid_y = np.array([1] * batch_size)
        g_loss = gan.train_on_batch(noise, valid_y)
        # Save losses
       d losses.append(d loss[0])
        g_losses.append(g_loss)
        print(f"Epoch {epoch}\n D loss: {d_loss[0]}\n D accuracy: {d_loss[1]}\n G loss: {g_loss}")
    return d_losses, g_losses
```

Figure 50: Visualization of the GAN training loop.

#### Training Loop:

- Train Discriminator:
  - Sample real data.
  - Generate synthetic data.
  - Train on real data (labeled 1) and synthetic data (labeled 0).
  - Compute the discriminator loss.

#### • Train Generator:

- Generate random noise.
- Create an array with every element labeled 1 for the noise.
- Train on the random noise and array.
- Compute the generator loss.

#### 5.7 WaveNet

#### 5.7.1 Define Causal Convolutional Layer

The causal convolutional layers are used to maintain causality in time series data.

```
class CausalConv1D(layers.Layer):
    def __init__(self, filters, kernel_size, dilation_rate, **kwargs):
        super(CausalConv1D, self).__init__(**kwargs)
        self.conv = layers.Conv1D(filters, kernel_size, padding='causal', dilation_rate=dilation_rate)
    def call(self, x):
        return self.conv(x)
```

Figure 51: The causal Conv1D class.

CausalConv1D Class:

- \_\_init\_\_ function:
  - Inherits from layers.Layer.
  - Creates a Conv1D layer.
- Call function:
  - Defines the forward pass by returning the convolutional layer that's applied to the input tensor.

#### 5.7.2 Define Residual Block

The residual block is added to build complex feature representations while maintaining gradient flow through skip connections.

```
class ResidualBlock(layers.Layer):
   def __init__(self, filters, kernel_size, dilation_rate, **kwargs):
        super(ResidualBlock, self).__init__(**kwargs)
        self.causal_conv = CausalConv1D(filters, kernel_size, dilation_rate)
        self.dense_tanh = layers.Dense(filters, activation='tanh')
        self.dense sigmoid = layers.Dense(filters, activation='sigmoid')
       self.skip conv = layers.Conv1D(filters, 1)
        self.residual conv = layers.Conv1D(filters, 1)
   def call(self, x):
       out = self.causal conv(x)
        tanh out = self.dense tanh(out)
        sigmoid out = self.dense sigmoid(out)
        gated_activation = tanh_out * sigmoid_out
        skip_out = self.skip_conv(gated activation)
        residual out = self.residual conv(gated_activation)
        return skip out, x + residual_out
```

Figure 52: The residual block class.

**ResidualBlock Class:** 

• \_\_init\_\_ function:

- Inherits from layers.Layer.
- Creates a CausalConv1D layer.
- Creates two Dense layers with tanh and sigmoid activations, respectively.
- Creates two Conv1D layers for skip and residual connections.
- Call function:
  - Defines the forward pass:
    - \* Applying the CausalConv1D layer to the input.
    - \* Applying the Dense layers with tanh and sigmoid activations to the output of the previous layer.
    - \* Multiplying the outputs of the tanh and sigmoid layers to create a gated activation.
    - \* Applying the skip\_conv layer to the gated activation for the skip connection.
    - \* Applying the **residual\_conv** layer to the gated activation and adding it to the input to create the residual output.
  - Returning the skip output and the residual output.

#### 5.7.3 Define and Train WaveNet

The build\_wavenet function creates a WaveNet model for sequential data generation.

```
def build_wavenet(input_shape, filters, kernel_size, dilation_rates):
    inputs = tf.keras.Input(shape=input_shape)
    x = inputs
    skip_connections = []
    for dilation_rate in dilation_rates:
        skip_out, x = ResidualBlock(filters, kernel_size, dilation_rate)(x)
        skip_connections.append(skip_out)
    x = layers.Add()(skip_connections)
    x = layers.Activation('relu')(x)
    x = layers.Conv1D(filters, 1, activation='relu')(x)
    x = layers.Conv1D(1, 1)(x)
    return tf.keras.Model(inputs, x)
```

Figure 53: The construction of the WaveNet.

- Inputs: input layer with specified shape.
- Residual Blocks: apply multiple residual blocks with different dilation rates.
- Skip Connections: collect and sum connections.
- Activations and Convolutions: layers to produce output.

We then train the WaveNet on augmented data and validate it on test data.

history = model.fit(X\_train\_aug, y\_train\_aug, epochs=10, batch\_size=128, validation\_data=(X\_test, y\_test))

Figure 54: Training and saving its history for WaveNet

#### 5.8 Traditional ML Models

Traditional ML models, including SVM, RF, and GMM, offer versatile solutions for various predictive tasks. SVM is a powerful supervised learning algorithm useful for classification purposes, which aims to best separate classes in a dataset based on the information present. RF, an ensemble method, constructs multiple decision trees and combines their predictions to improve accuracy and reduce overfitting, making them robust for classification. GMM is an unsupervised learning algorithm used for clustering, organizing data into a mixture of several Gaussian distributions to identify the underlying patterns in complex datasets. These traditional ML models are still widely used due to their effectiveness in many applications, though their usage in GW astronomy is less commonly associated since certain DL models, such as CNNs and RNNs, already display promising results in binary classification.

#### 5.8.1 SVM

An SVM model with an RBF kernel is trained with the training data and evaluated with the validation data. The confusion matrix and classification report provide insights into the model's performance.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Ø	1.00	1.00	1.00	410
accuracy			1.00	410
macro avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	410
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	410

Figure 55: The confusion matrix and classification report for SVM.

#### 5.8.2 RF

A RF model is trained and evaluated similarly. The confusion matrix and classification report are also applied to examine its performance.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	1.00	1.00	410
accuracy	1 00	1 00	1.00	410
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	410

Figure 56: The confusion matrix and classification report for RF.

#### 5.8.3 GMM

A GMM is trained on the original segment data due to its unsupervised nature. The log-likelihood of the data is computed and used to detect outliers, defined as the bottom 0.01% of the log-likelihood value, and these outliers represent a higher likelihood of a GW event present at the corresponding time.



Figure 57: Number of outliers detected with GMM considering the bottom 0.01% of the data as outliers.

## 6 Model Performance Visualization

### 6.1 1D CNN



Figure 58: These plots show the training history of the 1D CNN, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.2 2D CNN



Figure 59: These plots show the training history of the 2D CNN, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.3 LSTM



Figure 60: These plots show the training history of the LSTM, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.4 GRU



Figure 61: These plots show the training history of the GRU, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.5 1D CNN Autoencoder



Figure 62: These plots show the training history of the 1D CNN autoencoder, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.6 2D CNN Autoencoder



Figure 63: These plots show the training history of the 2D CNN autoencoder, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.7 LSTM Autoencoder



Figure 64: These plots show the training history of the LSTM autoencoder, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.8 GRU Autoencoder



Figure 65: These plots show the training history of the GRU autoencoder, including the test loss and accuracy evaluation.



### 6.9 Transformer

Figure 66: These plots show the training history of the Transformer model, including the loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.10 DBN



Figure 67: These plots show the training history of the DBN model, including the loss and accuracy evaluation.



### 6.11 GNN

Figure 68: These plots show the training history of the GNN model, including the loss and accuracy evaluation.

### 6.12 GAN



Figure 69: Visualization of the discriminator and generator losses over epochs (G = Generator, D = Discriminator).



### 6.13 WaveNet

Figure 70: Visualization of the loss and accuracy over epochs for WaveNet model.



Figure 71: The ROC curve for SVM.



Figure 72: The ROC curve for RF.

#### 6.16 GMM (Clustering)



Figure 73: The clustering results from GMM, highlighting detected outliers and clusters in the data.

## 7 Conclusion

The development regarding Gravitational Wave astronomy, first postulated by Albert Einstein in his prediction within his general theory of relativity, then through endless efforts by many astrophysicists of modern times using the latest technologies, have greatly extended our knowledge with regard to the universe and allowed us to study a number of its most powerful and mysterious phenomena. The integration of Machine Learning into the data analysis of Gravitational Waves is a milestone in having the detection, classification, and analysis of Gravitational Wave signals with unprecedented accuracy and precision. Among others, the Convolutional Neural Networks and the Recurrent Neural Networks are some of the vital models in Machine Learning that have become quite indispensable to extract very faint Gravitational Wave signals buried under a highly noisy data environment. In addition, in this paper, synthetic data generation through models like Generative Adversarial Networks and WaveNet play a vital role in augmenting training datasets, especially in situations where real data is scarce or specific events, such as rare mergers, are underrepresented. The synthetic data, designed to mimic the characteristics of real Gravitational Wave signals, can replace the data generated with the traditional augmentation technique and improve the training of Machine Learning models by introducing controlled variability, enabling these models to generalize better to diverse and complex scenarios. This not only enhances the models' ability to identify and classify Gravitational Wave events but also improves their sensitivity to subtle patterns that might otherwise be overlooked.

As the field advances, the connection between increasingly sophisticated Machine Learning algorithms and the rapidly expanding global network of Gravitational Wave detectors will undoubtedly lead to more profound discoveries. Continued innovations in event classification and synthetic data augmentation techniques will be critical to refining our models, making them more resilient to noise and better equipped to handle rare events. These developments promise to push the boundaries of our knowledge of high-energy astrophysics, the dynamics of compact objects, and the widening field of gravity. Together, the fusion of Machine Learning with Gravitational Wave astronomy will remain pivotal in deepening our insights into fundamental physics, cosmology, and the evolution of black holes and neutron stars. With ongoing improvements in both detection technology and analytical methodologies, the future of Gravitational Wave astronomy is bright, offering the potential for even deeper understanding and discoveries about the cosmos.

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# A Appendix



## A.1 GAN Generated Data Visualization

Figure 74: Example 1 of the GW segments generated.



Figure 75: Example 2 of the GW segments generated.



## A.2 WaveNet Generated Data Visualization

Figure 76: Example 1 of the GW segments generated.



Figure 77: Example 2 of the GW segments generated.