

Symmetry equivariant neural networks

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In this talk, I will present the advantages of using neural networks that respect symmetries over their non-symmetric counterparts in lattice field theory applications. The concept of equivariance will be explained, together with the reason why it is a sufficient condition for the network to respect the desired symmetry. The benefits of equivariant networks will first be exemplified in the context of translational symmetry on a complex scalar field toy model [1]. Then, the discussion will be extended to gauge theories by introducing Lattice Gauge Equivariant Convolutional Neural Networks (L-CNNs) [2]. After dealing with regression tasks on physical observables such as Wilson loops, I will present the developments in the application of L-CNNs to the generation of gauge field configurations [3].

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