Machine Learning for LHCb Detector Simulation: Integration Approach

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Project Overview

- Developed a Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) model to analyze data from the LHCb detector simulation
- Goal: Train the model to make accurate predictions based on input data
- Improve simulation efficiency
- Machine learning can help automate and optimize the simulation process

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Introduction to Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)

- MLP is a type of artificial neural network
- Consists of an input layer, one or more hidden layers, and an output layer
- Each layer contains interconnected nodes (neurons) that process and transform the input data
- The model learns to extract meaningful features and make predictions through training on labeled data

Data Preparation and Model Architecture

- Training data stored in a specific format and location
- Data is loaded, preprocessed, and split into training and validation sets
- MLP model architecture:
 - Input layer with 12 nodes (representing input features)
 - Multiple hidden layers with varying numbers of nodes (e.g., 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 256, 128, 64, 32, 16, 8)
 - Output layer with 2 nodes (representing the predicted values)
- The model is trained using the AdamW optimizer and a cosine annealing learning rate scheduler

Integration Approach: Standalone Matrix Representation

- MLP model can be represented as a standalone matrix
- Store the trained model weights and biases in a compatible format (e.g., JSON, YAML, binary)
- Read the stored model parameters within the LHCb simulation framework (assuming C++ implementation)
- Rewrite the forward computation module in C++ for seamless integration
- Optimize matrix multiplication operations for efficient computation

Benefits of Standalone Matrix Representation

- Simplifies the integration process by decoupling the model from the training environment
- Enables easy storage and loading of trained model parameters
- Minimizes the need for extensive modifications to the existing LHCb simulation framework
- Allows for efficient computation through optimized matrix multiplication operations

Integration Steps

- Export the trained MLP model weights and biases into a compatible format
- Develop a dedicated C++ module for forward computation
 - Load the stored model parameters
 - $\circ\,$ Implement matrix multiplication and activation functions
 - Optimize the module for performance and compatibility with the LHCb simulation pipeline
- Integrate the forward computation module into the LHCb simulation framework
 - Collaborate with the LHCb computing team to ensure seamless integration
 - Establish clear interfaces and data flow between the module and other simulation components



Integration Steps (continued)

- Conduct thorough testing and validation
 - Verify the correctness and accuracy of the integrated solution
 - Assess the computational efficiency gains achieved through the integration
- Document and share knowledge with the LHCb community
 - Prepare comprehensive documentation on the integration process and usage guidelines
 - Foster collaboration and gather feedback from the LHCb community

Results and Impact

- The MLP model achieves promising results in predicting detector simulation outcomes
- Integration of the model into the LHCb simulation framework can potentially:
 - Accelerate the simulation process
 - Reduce computational resources required for simulations
 - Improve the efficiency of simulation results
- The approach serves as a proof-of-concept for leveraging machine learning in LHCb detector simulations

Future Enhancements

- Explore advanced techniques for model compression and optimization
- Investigate the potential of using specialized libraries or hardware acceleration for matrix operations
- Continuously monitor and improve the integrated solution based on real-world performance and feedback
- Extend the approach to other aspects of the LHCb simulation pipeline
- Collaborate with the LHCb community to identify additional areas where machine learning can be applied

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Conclusion

- Developed an MLP model for LHCb detector simulation
- Proposed an integration approach using standalone matrix representation
- Integration of the model into the LHCb simulation framework can improve efficiency and efficiency
- Future work includes further optimizations, enhancements, and collaboration with the LHCb community
- This project demonstrates the potential of machine learning in advancing LHCb detector simulations

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