

# **Case Study: Surrogate Modelling for FLUTE**

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# **Test Facility FLUTE**



The linear accelerator **[FLUTE](https://www.ibpt.kit.edu/flute.php)** at KIT serves as a test facility for various accelerator physics studies.

#### **Wide parameter space**:

- Charge: 1 pC 1 nC
- Energy: 40 100 meV
- Rep. rate: up to 50 Hz

**Multiple operation modes**:

- Test for beam diagnostics (TDS)
- THz Generation (CSR, CTR, Undulator)
- Injector into cSTART storage ring

# **Surrogate Model for Reinforcement Learning**



Reinforcement learning is a promising method to achieve autonomous accelerator operation.

- A. Eichler, First Steps Toward an [Autonomous](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2021/doi/JACoW-IPAC2021-TUPAB298.html) Accelerator, a Common Project Between [DESY](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2021/doi/JACoW-IPAC2021-TUPAB298.html) and KIT
- J. Kaiser, Learning to Do or Learning While Doing: [Reinforcement](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.03739) Learning and Bayesian [Optimisation](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.03739) for Online Continuous Tuning
- C. Xu, Beam Trajectory Control with [Lattice-Agnostic](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2023/doi/jacow-ipac2023-thpl029/) Reinforcement Learning

However, (model-free) RL algorithms are very sample inefficient, requiring often  $10^5 - 10^6$ interactions to train.

A **fast**, **accurate** surrogate model will greatly benefit the RL method development for accelerators.

- Fast  $\rightarrow$  reduced training iteration time
- Accurate  $\rightarrow$  less challenging sim2real transfer



# **Previous Work: Low-Energy Section Modelling**

Proof-of-principle surrogate modelling using fully-connected neural network

Restrict to 4 input and 6 output parameters

- NN Structure:  $[32, 32, 32]$ ,  $\tanh$  activation
- $\cdot$  Train data:  $10^4$  ASTRA simulations with uniform randomly sampled parameters
- **Training**: 200 epochs



See **[IPAC22-TUPOPT070](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2022/doi/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUPOPT070.html)** for more details.

## **Low-Energy Section Model Validation**



The NN model (with  $< 1$  ms inference time) has overall good agreement with ASTRA results (  $\geq 1$  min).



#### **Comparison with Real Measurement**



The train model could also provide accurate prediction for real-world measurement.

Possibility to use the surrogate as **virtual diagnostics** in case of destructive measurements.



#### **Outlook 1: Active Learning**



For random or grid sampling,  $N_{\text{samples}} \propto \exp(D_{\text{Input}})$ .

However, a large percentage of the parameter combinations lead to useless results.

Active learning can be used to reduce the required samples, for example

- Bayesian active learning (c.f. [Gal2017\)](https://arxiv.org/pdf/1703.02910.pdf)
- Surrogate for subsystems to validate/reject parameter regions, i.e. for DA [estimation](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2023/doi/jacow-ipac2023-wepa026/)

# **Outlook 2: Point Cloud Representation**



In order to predict more complex beam dynamics (micro-bunches, sub-structure), we should move from scalar values to full 6-D phase space prediction.

Auto-encoders and NNs have been successfully applied to predict 2D phase space information, but are harder to be extended to 6D.

The **Point cloud** seems to be an ideal representation of the **macro-particles** used in tracking simulations.

Inspired by Hayg, see also the later talk on **LinacNet**.



Reference: [PointNet](https://github.com/charlesq34/pointnet)

# **Outlook 3: Combine with Differentiable Simulation**



#### **Use a surrogate model only when necessary**.

A complete (start-to-end) surrogate model could **over-complicate** the problem if the beam dynamics can be accurately modeled, which is actually the case in many simple sections of the accelerator.

Recent developments in **differentiable beam dynamics** simulations enables fast tracking. For example:

- Cheetah: GitHub [repository](https://github.com/desy-ml/cheetah)
- BMAD-X: [description](https://accelconf.web.cern.ch/ipac2023/doi/jacow-ipac2023-wepa065/); use case phase space [reconstruction](https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.130.145001),



#### **Thanks for your attention**

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