Short-term forecast of the geomagnetic secular variation using recurrent neural networks trained by Kalman filter

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OVERVIEW

1. INTRODUCTION

Background : Geomagnetic Secular Variation and Geomagnetic Jerk

• Previous Research : Data Assimilation = Geodynamo SIM x Observed Data

2. METHODOLOGY

Basics of Machine Learning and *Recurrent Neural Networks*

• Overfitting problem in the Backpropagation algorithm

• The extended Kalman filtering approach to train *RNNs*

3. RESULTS SO FAR

● Hindcast (training: 2004.75 – 2014.50 \rightarrow validation: 2014.75 – 2019.50) ● Forecast (training: 2014.37 – 2024.13 \rightarrow validation: 2024.37 – 2029.13)

4. RESEARCH PLAN

Conclusion & Road Map

INTRODUCTION | Background



The **Gauss coefficients** and their **derivatives** have been reported every 5 years as **International Geomagnetic Reference Field.** *Gauss coefficients $(g_0^1, g_1^1, h_1^1, ...)$ = Spherical harmonic coefficients of the Geomagnetic scalar potential, equivalent to multipole moments. 1. <u>https://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp</u>, 2. Daly et al (1996), "Space Environment Analysis: Experience and Trends" vol.392. p.15., 3. <u>Swarm helps explain Earth's magnetic jerks</u>.

INTRODUCTION | Previous Research

IGRF-13 candidate SV models= **Data Assimilation** (Geodynamo SIM x Observation)

	Forecast Error (RMSE [nT])	Hindcast	Simulation Model	Observational Data
Sanchez et al. (2020) ^{*1}	50 ~ 100	1840 ~ 2020	3D dynamo x 100 ens.	COV-OBS.x1 Kalmag model
Minami et al. (2020) ^{*2}	100.9 ~ 228.5	2004 ~ 2019	MHD dynamo x 1000 ens.	MCM model
Tangborn et al. (2021) ^{*3}	$O(10^{1.5} \sim 10^2)$	1590 ~ 2015	NASA GEMS x 400 ens.	gufm1, CM5, CM6

MOTIVATION : Can **ML** models be a new approach to forecast SV without simulations?

*1. doi: <u>10.1186/s40623-020-01279-y</u>, *2. doi: <u>10.1186/s40623-020-01253-8</u>, *3. doi: <u>10.1186/s40623-020-01324-w</u>.

INTRODUCTION | ML / DL in Geophysics

Reviews of Geophysics

REVIEW ARTICLE

Deep Learning for Geophysics: Current and Future Trends

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"The geophysical community has shown great interests in DL in recent years.

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Figure 3 shows the published papers related to artificial intelligence in two major geophysical unions, that is, society of exploration geophysics (SEG) and American geophysical union (AGU). A clear exponential growth is observed in both libraries due to the use of DL techniques. Moreover, DL has also provided several astonishing results to the geophysical community."

Figure 3. (a) and (b) are statics of artificial intelligence (AI)-related papers in SEG Library and AGU Library. In (a), Geophysics means the flagship journal of SEG. SEG Expanded Abstracts means the Expanded Abstracts from SEG annual meeting. SEG Library papers mean the papers founded in the SEG digital library. In (b), the first three captions in the legend are the names of top journals in AGU. The fourth caption in the legend represents the papers founded in the AGU digital library.

METHOD | What is ML training? = Parameter estimation

Example: AR(4) model

$$y_t = b + w_1 y_{t-1} + w_2 y_{t-2} + w_3 y_{t-3} + w_4 y_{t-4}$$

(Trainable Parameter: **b** (bias), $w_1 \sim w_4$ (weight))



METHOD | Why RNN?

Model	AR	VAR	BPTT-RNNs	Minami et al. (2020) (4D-EnVar)
Average \sqrt{dP}	34.48 nT	39.58 nT	<u>33.43 nT</u>	
5-year \sqrt{dP}	88.05 nT	98.33 nT	<u>85.83</u> – 137.74 nT	100.9 – 228.5 nT
Remarks			\sqrt{dP} depends on the initial \mathbf{w}_0 and the # of itr. of BPTT	MHD dynamo(x1000) Depends on the assim. window

Sato & Toh (2024.04; EGU @Austria): https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu24-16981.

METHOD | RNN architecture

Elman Network

RNN cell

$$h(t_i) = \tanh(W^{(in)} \cdot x(t_i) + W^{(rec)} \cdot h(t_{i-1}) + b^{(rec)})$$
Affine (Dense)

$$z(t_i) = W^{(out)} \cdot h(t_i) + b^{(out)}$$

(input:
$$\mathbf{x}(t_i) = [\ddot{g}_n^m(t_{i-1})] \rightarrow \text{output: } \mathbf{z}(t_i) = [\ddot{g}_n^m(t_i)]).$$







Elman (1990): <u>https://doi.org/10.1207/s15516709cog1402_1</u>.

METHOD | Backpropagation algorithm







"What is backpropagation really doing? | Chapter 3, Deep learning" by 3Blue1Brown. (https://youtu.be/Ilg3gGewQ5U?si=SUjGzTFV7ELBlo1v)

METHOD | Overfitting

Overfitting caused by too much iteration of the Backpropagation algorithm



~APR. PROBLEM | Overfitting in RNNs

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METHOD | EKF algorithm

- State space: $\mathbf{w} = \left[\mathbf{W}^{(\text{in})}, \mathbf{W}^{(\text{rec})}, \mathbf{b}^{(\text{rec})}, \mathbf{W}^{(\text{out})}, \mathbf{b}^{(\text{out})} \right]^{T}$.
- Transition model: $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{w}^{f}(t) = \mathbf{w}^{a}(t-1)$, $\mathbf{P}^{f}(t) = \mathbf{P}^{a}(t-1)$.
- Observational data: Training data

 $\mathbf{y}^{O} = [g_{1}^{0}, g_{1}^{1}, h_{1}^{1}, \dots, g_{13}^{13}, h_{13}^{13}]^{T}$, with Observation error - **R**

- Observation Operator: Forward propagation of RNN $\mathcal{H}_{t}\left(\mathbf{w}^{f}(t)\right) = \text{RNN}\left(\mathbf{y}^{O}(t-1) \mid \mathbf{w}^{a}(t-1)\right) = \mathbf{z}(t).$ $\mathbf{H}(t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}\Big|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}^{f}(t)} = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{w}^{(\text{in})}}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{w}^{(\text{rec})}}, \cdots, \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{b}^{(\text{out})}}\right].$
- Update equation: Weight update (= Training)

$$\mathbf{w}^{a}(t) = \mathbf{w}^{a}(t-1) + \mathbf{K}(t) \left(\mathbf{y}^{o}(t) - \mathbf{z}(t) \right), \quad \mathbf{P}^{a}(t) = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}(t) \mathbf{H}(t) \right) \mathbf{P}^{f}(t).$$

Point : ① Forecast error - **P**. ② Prevents **Overfitting.**



METHOD | Research Context



Cf: Jaeger (2002)

METHOD | Hindcast w/ MCM-2020

We assess RNNs under the same evaluation setup as in Minami et al. (2020)



Ropp et al. (2020): <u>https://doi.org/10.1186/s40623-020-01230-1</u>.

HINDCAST | 2^{nd} order time derivative (\ddot{y})



HINDCAST | 1^{st} order time derivative (\dot{y})



HINDCAST | Original time series (y)



HINDCAST | Summary Table

Model	BPTT-RNN	EKF-RNN	Minami et al. (2020) (4D-EnVar)
Average \sqrt{dP}	33.43 – 53.69 nT	<u> 37.32 – 46.62 nT</u>	
5-year \sqrt{dP}	85.83 – 137.74 nT	<u>99.75 – 117.93 nT</u>	100.9 – 228.5 nT
Remarks	√ <i>dP</i> depends on the # of iteration of BPTT.	\sqrt{dP} depends on the initial \mathbf{w}_0 .	MHD dynamo (x1000) \sqrt{dP} depends on the assim. window.

FORECAST | Forecast w/ MCM-2023



Ropp et al. (2023): <u>https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggad113</u>.

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RESEARCH PLAN | Schedule & Road Map

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Results so far

• EKF-RNN achieves slightly better accuracy than the Geodynamo-based prediction.

ML models can predict geomagnetic variations without geodynamo models.

EKF-RNN uses error covariance matrices of training data, which makes it possible to ① calculate Forecast error - P, and ② Prevents **Overfitting**

Schedule & Road Map

- ✓ EKF-RNN x [Geomag **B**] \rightarrow SV ± Error Hindcast
- \checkmark EKF-RNN x [Geomag B] \rightarrow SV \pm Error Forecast
- Submit pred-model to the IGRF-14 (Deadline=Oct.1)
- □ EKF-RNN x [Geomag B + Core Surface Flow u]

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METHOD | Differentiating training data ÿ & Ř

 $\begin{aligned} & \text{MCM-model:} \quad \mathbf{y}^{0} = \left[\ g_{0}^{1}, \ g_{1}^{1}, \ h_{1}^{1}, \dots, h_{13}^{13} \right] \text{,} \quad \mathbf{R} = \text{Obs-Error Matrix} \text{,} \quad (\Delta t = 0.25 \text{ year}) \\ & \text{--> 1st deriv:} \quad \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{0}(t_{i}) = \frac{\mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i}) - \mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i-1})}{\Delta t} \text{,} \quad \dot{\mathbf{R}}(t_{i}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t^{2}} \left(\mathbf{R}(t_{i}) + \mathbf{R}(t_{i-1}) \right) \\ & \text{--> 2nd deriv:} \quad \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{0}(t_{i}) = \frac{\mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i}) - 2\mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i-1}) + \mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i-2})}{\Delta t^{2}} \text{,} \quad \ddot{\mathbf{R}}(t_{i}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t^{4}} \left(\mathbf{R}(t_{i}) + 4\mathbf{R}(t_{i-1}) + \mathbf{R}(t_{i-2}) \right) \end{aligned}$

P-inflation (to prevent filter divergence): RTPS^{*1} $\mathbf{P}^{inf}(t) = \alpha \mathbf{P}^{f}(t) + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{P}^{a}(t)$ ($\alpha = 0.5$)

Forecast Loop

2nd deriv: $\mathbf{z}(t_{i+1}) = RNN(\mathbf{z}(t_i)) = \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^F$, $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{t}_{i+1}) = \mathbf{G}(t_i)\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{z}}(t_i)\mathbf{G}(t_i)^T + \mathbf{H}(t_i)\mathbf{P}^a(T)\mathbf{H}(t_i)^T = \ddot{\mathbf{R}}^F$

--> 1st deriv: $\dot{\mathbf{y}}^F(t_{i+1}) = \dot{\mathbf{y}}^F(t_i) + \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^F(t_i) \cdot \Delta t$, $\dot{\mathbf{R}}^F(t_{i+1}) = \dot{\mathbf{R}}^F(t_i) + \ddot{\mathbf{R}}^F(t_i) \cdot \Delta t^2$

--> Target:
$$\mathbf{y}^{F}(t_{i+1}) = \mathbf{y}^{F}(t_{i}) + \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t$$
, $\mathbf{R}^{F}(t_{i+1}) = \mathbf{R}^{F}(t_{i}) + \dot{\mathbf{R}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t^{2} + \ddot{\mathbf{R}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t^{4}$

$$\left(\mathbf{L}_{z}(t,\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\Big|_{w=\mathbf{w}(t)}, \quad \mathbf{L}_{w}(t,\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}\Big|_{x=\mathbf{x}(t)}, \quad \mathbf{G}(t) = \mathbf{L}_{z}(t,\mathbf{x}(t)), \quad \mathbf{H}(t) = \mathbf{L}_{w}(t,\mathbf{w}(t))\right)$$

*1: Relaxation-to-Prior-Spread method (Whitaker and Hamill, 2012)

DETAIL | Differentiating training data

$$\mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i}) = [g_{1}^{0}(t_{i}), g_{1}^{1}(t_{i}), h_{1}^{1}(t_{i}), \cdots, g_{13}^{13}(t_{i}), h_{13}^{13}(t_{i})].$$

$$\mathbf{\varepsilon}^{0}(t_{i}) = \mathbf{y}^{0}(t_{i}) - \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{true}}(t_{i}).$$

$$\mathbf{R}(t_i) = \langle \mathbf{\varepsilon}^O(t_i) \cdot \mathbf{\varepsilon}^O(t_i)^T \rangle$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \delta g_1^0(t_i)^2 & \cdots & \langle \text{Cross Term} \rangle \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle \text{Cross Term} \rangle & \cdots & \delta h_{13}^{13}(t_i)^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$



DETAIL | Differentiating training data

Backward diff. $\Delta t = 0.25$ year

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i}) = \frac{\mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i}) - \mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i-1})}{\Delta t}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{Backw} \\ \Delta t = 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) - \mathbf{x}^{\text{true}}(t_{i-1})}{\Delta t}.$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{\varepsilon}}^{O}(t_{i}) = \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i}) - \dot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \Big(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{O}(t_{i}) - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{O}(t_{i-1}) \Big).$$

$$\begin{split} \dot{\mathbf{R}}(t_i) &= \langle \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^O(t_i) \cdot \dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}^O(t_i)^T \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta t^2} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_i) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_i)^T \rangle + \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_i) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_{i-1})^T \rangle \\ + \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_{i-1}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_i)^T \rangle + \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_{i-1}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^O(t_{i-1})^T \rangle \end{split}$$

Assume $\langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{0}(t_{i}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{0}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle = \langle \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{0}(t_{i}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{0}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle = 0,$ $\dot{\mathbf{R}}(t_{i}) = \mathbf{R}^{0}(t_{i}) + \mathbf{R}^{0}(t_{i-1})$



DETAIL | Differentiating training data

$$\begin{split} \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i}) &= \frac{\dot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i}) - \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i-1})}{\Delta t} = \frac{\mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i}) - 2\mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i-1}) + \mathbf{y}^{O}(t_{i-2})}{\Delta t^{2}}.\\ \ddot{\mathbf{z}}^{O}(t_{i}) &= \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{O}(t_{i}) - \ddot{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathrm{true}}(t_{i}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t^{2}} \Big(\varepsilon^{O}(t_{i}) - 2\varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-1}) + \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \Big).\\ \ddot{\mathbf{R}}(t_{i}) &= \langle \ddot{\mathbf{e}}^{O}(t_{i}) \cdot \ddot{\mathbf{e}}^{O}(t_{i})^{T} \rangle\\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta t^{4}} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i})^{T} \rangle - 2 \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle + \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle + \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2})^{T} \rangle\\ &+ \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i})^{T} \rangle - 2 \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle + \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2})^{T} \rangle\\ &+ \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i})^{T} \rangle - 2 \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-1})^{T} \rangle + \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{i-2})^{T} \rangle\\ &\text{Assume} \quad \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{j}) \cdot \varepsilon^{O}(t_{k})^{T} \rangle = \begin{cases} \langle \varepsilon^{O}(t_{j})^{2} \rangle & (\text{for } j = k)\\ 0 & (\text{for } j \neq k \end{pmatrix}, \end{cases}$$

 $\dot{\mathbf{R}}(t_i) = \mathbf{R}^O(t_i) + 4\mathbf{R}^O(t_{i-1}) + \mathbf{R}^O(t_{i-2})$



DETAIL | Integrating forecast data

$$\ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i}) = \text{RNN}(\ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i-1})), \qquad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{z}}(t_{i}) = \mathbf{G}(t_{i-1})\mathbf{P}_{z}(t_{i-1})\mathbf{G}(t_{i-1})^{T} + \mathbf{H}(t_{i-1})\mathbf{P}^{a}(t_{\text{Rel}})\mathbf{H}(t_{i-1})^{T} = \ddot{\mathbf{R}}^{F}(t_{i}).$$

$$\begin{split} \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \ddot{\mathbf{y}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i-1}) + \ddot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{true}}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{x}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \ddot{\mathbf{x}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \ddot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \ddot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) + \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) \cdot \Delta t \\ \mathbf{z}^{F}(t_{i}) &= \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) + \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i}) - \dot{\mathbf{z}}^{F}(t_{i-1}) - \dot{\mathbf{z}$$

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HINDCAST | Original time series (y)



HINDCAST | RNN hidden layer

Elman Network



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Appendix | Gauss coefs / Forecast Error Chart

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{rot} \vec{B} = \vec{0} \\ \operatorname{div} \vec{B} = 0 \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} \vec{B} = -\operatorname{grad} U \\ \operatorname{div} \operatorname{grad} U = -\nabla^2 U = 0 \end{cases} \qquad \qquad U(r, \theta, \phi) = R_E \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left\{ (g_n^m \cos m\phi + h_n^m \sin m\phi) \left(\frac{R_E}{r}\right)^{n+1} \right\} P_n^m(\cos \theta) \\ + R_E \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \left\{ (q_n^m \cos m\phi + s_n^m \sin m\phi) \left(\frac{r}{R_E}\right)^n \right\} P_n^m(\cos \theta) \end{cases}$$

Degree dependence of Error : $\sqrt{dP_n} = \sqrt{\sum_m (n+1)[g_{\text{TEST}}^m - g_{\text{PRED}}^m]^2}$

Total Error :
$$\sqrt{dP} = \sqrt{\sum_{n} dP_{n}}$$



Mauersberger-Lowes spectrum

(Langel and Estes, 1982)

