

Comparison of Low- vs. High-Dimensional Machine Learning Approaches for Sheet Metal Drawability Assessment

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Agenda

- Research question
- Mechanical application
- Dataset
- Machine Learning
- Conclusion and Outlook



Motivation

- How can one achieve maximal model accuracy?
- What is the data available for that task?

Research question

• What data-driven modeling approach (low- or high-dimensional) will return maximal model accuracy in a limited data environment?



Fig. 1: Schematic trends of potential low- and high-dimensional model accuracies over an increasing number of training samples.



Deep drawing in car manufacturing

- Structural sheet metal parts of a car chassis
- High complexity and contrastive requiremenets
- Only a small fraction of topologically different structural deep drawn parts per chassis [1]

Data-driven drawability assessment

- Reduce iterations for manual geometry modifications
- Quantify assessment in the early-stage development phase



Fig. 2: Car chassis composed out of structural sheet metal parts. Adopted from [1].



Fig. 3: Schematic deep drawing setup. Modified from [2].

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Interpretation

• Drawability assessment as binary classification between drawable or non-drawable

Definitions and assumptions

- Constant material properties for all parts (cold-rolled steel: CR1)
- Drawability assessment solely based on simulation
- purely mechanical manufacturability prediction (crack formation, wrinkling) for structural sheet metal parts
- One drawing operation per part





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Low-dimensional Linear Support Vector Classification

- Fits hyper-surface which separates the classes (manufacturable, non-manufacturable)
- Separation surface is fitted with the maximum possible distance to data points (components)

Feature Engineering

- Features inspired by the drawing process and differential geometry [3]
- Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to reduce colinearity between features
- Normalization (min-max) of the features



Fig. 4: Schematic Multiclass Classification using Linear Support Vector. Modified from [7].

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High-dimensional model

- Invariance regarding translations and rotations (T-Net) [8]
- Modification concerning binary classification (sigmoid instead of softmax layer)



Fig. 5: Architecture of PointNet model. Adopted from [8].

Point Clouds

- Curvature-based meshing with subsequent random subsampling of FEM-nodes as points
- $n_{points} = 1024$



Fig. 6: Point Cloud sample of the generated dataset with 1024 points.

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Model comparison

Training and Testing

- Consistent test set comprising 200 parts for all models
- Training sets are subsampled from the remaining 1500 parts in the total training set
- High- and Low-dimensional models utilize the same parts for training (per number of training samples)

Comparison

Model accuracies intersect at around 500 parts



Fig. 7: Model accuracy over an increasing number of training samples.



Second U-Topology dataset

- Identical material properties and sheet thickness
- $N_{U-Topo-2} = 96$

Generalizability

- Training on U-Topo-1 and subsequent testing on U-Topo-2
- No cross-validation

> No topology generalizability for both modeling approaches to similar, unseen geometries



Fig. 8: Sample of the "U-Topo-2" dataset. Compared to the hitherto geometry, there is an offset, deeper middle part and no curved feature lines.



Fig. 9: Classification accuracies of both modeling approaches with U-Topo-2 test set.



Conclusion

- High-dimensional approach demonstrates enhanced performance in drawability assessment from 500 (geometrically similar) sheet metal parts onwards
- > Both modeling approaches are infeasible to generalize on topologically similar parts

Outlook

- > Incorporating material and process influences into the high-dimensional model
- Introducing Geometric Data Augmentation methods
- > Exploring the synergistic potential of combining low- and high-dimensional models
- Broadening geometry generalizability with (dis)similarity measures and transfer learning techniques