

ML Methods for Noise Reduction in Industrial LLRF Systems

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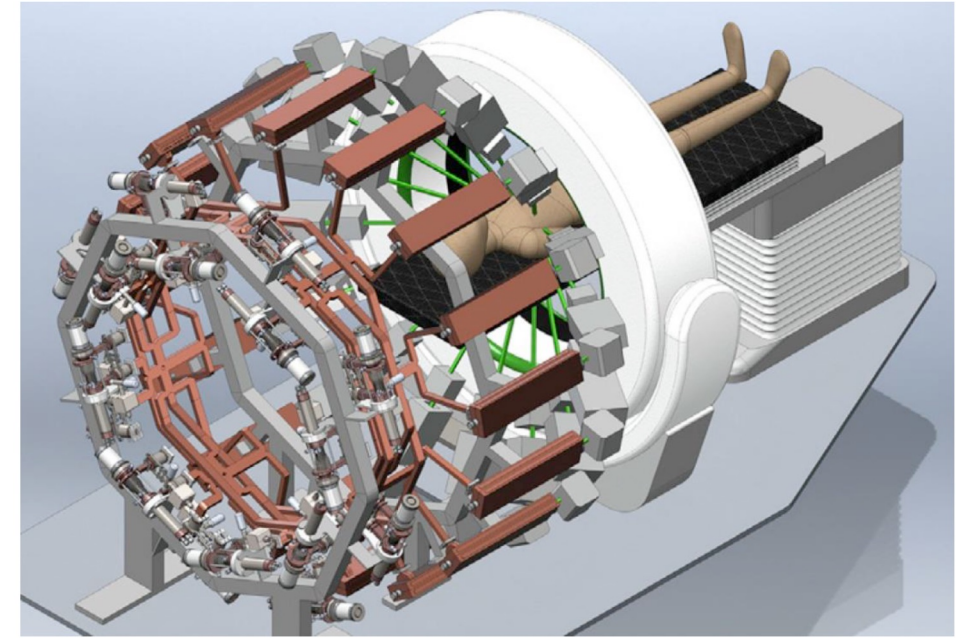
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Background & motivation

The value of noise reduction in industrial applications

Motivation

- Industrial vs. research operations
 - Less controlled environments
 - Mass-produced equipment
 - Noisier electronic (e.g. RF) systems
- Growing demand for finely-tuned controls
 - Highly targeted radiotherapy
 - Sterilization (medical, agricultural, etc.)
- Promising solutions via machine learning (ML)
 - Noise reduction & controls



PHASER flash radiotherapy system

Industrial Application Areas

Security & Defense

Directed energy testing

Single effects

Imaging

Electron microscopy

γ -ray sources

X-ray sources

Medical Therapies

Proton therapy

Electron therapy

X-ray therapy

Manufacturing

Polymer treatment

Industrial curing

Ion implantation

Welding

Sterilization

Medical devices

Food & water

Waste water

All rapidly increasing in complexity

- *High-energy multi-cavity designs*
- *Distributed RF generation*

Noise reduction approach

Noise analysis & methods for removal

Noise Reduction Overview

- Noise analysis techniques
 - Noise power spectra
 - Integrated noise statistics
- Analytic approaches
 - Shifting Gaussian smoothing window
 - Standard Kalman filter
- ML approaches
 - Standard & variational autoencoders (AE & RAE)
 - Convolutional autoencoder (CAE)
 - Variational recurrent autoencoder (VRAE)

Noise Analysis

- Original (X_0) & noisy (X) state data available via simulation

- Predict noiseless states ($\hat{X} \approx X_0$) from noisy data

$$X(t) = X_0(t) + w_t, \quad \hat{X}(t) = f(X), \quad N(t) = \hat{X} - X_0, \quad w_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_N)$$

- Noise error power spectra & integrated noise

$$N(\omega) = \int N(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt, \quad N_{int}(\omega) = \int_0^{\omega} N(\omega') d\omega'$$

- Average integrated noise

- Used for computing statistics over sample sets

$$\bar{N}_{int} = \int N(\omega) d\omega \quad (\text{for ONE sample set})$$

Kalman Filtering

- Dynamical estimation technique

- Linear state & measurement dynamics (for standard KF)

- $\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = F\mathbf{x}_t + G\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{w}_t$

- $\mathbf{y}_t = H\mathbf{x}_t + M\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{v}_t$

- Predict true states from noisy measurements

RF State, Controls, & Measurements

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Re}(V_t) \\ \text{Im}(V_t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Re}(I_{fwd}) \\ \text{Im}(I_{fwd}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Re}(V_t) \\ \text{Im}(V_t) \\ \text{Re}(V_r) \\ \text{Im}(V_r) \end{bmatrix}$$

- *A priori* updates follow known dynamics

- State estimate: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^- = F\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1}^+ + G\vec{\mathbf{u}}_{k-1}$

- Error covariance: $P_k^- = FP_{k-1}^+F^T + Q$

- Information (Kalman) gain: $K_k = P_k^-H^T(HP_k^-H^T + R)^{-1}$

RF Dynamics Matrices

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} -\omega_{1/2} & -\Delta\omega \\ \Delta\omega & -\omega_{1/2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad G = \frac{R_L\omega_{1/2}}{m} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- *A posteriori* updates follow Bayes' rule

- State estimate: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^+ = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^- + K_k(\vec{\mathbf{y}}_k - H\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k^-)$

- Estimation error covariance: $P_k^+ = (I - K_kH)P_k^-$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1/m & 0 \\ 0 & 1/m \end{bmatrix}, \quad M = -\frac{Z_0}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

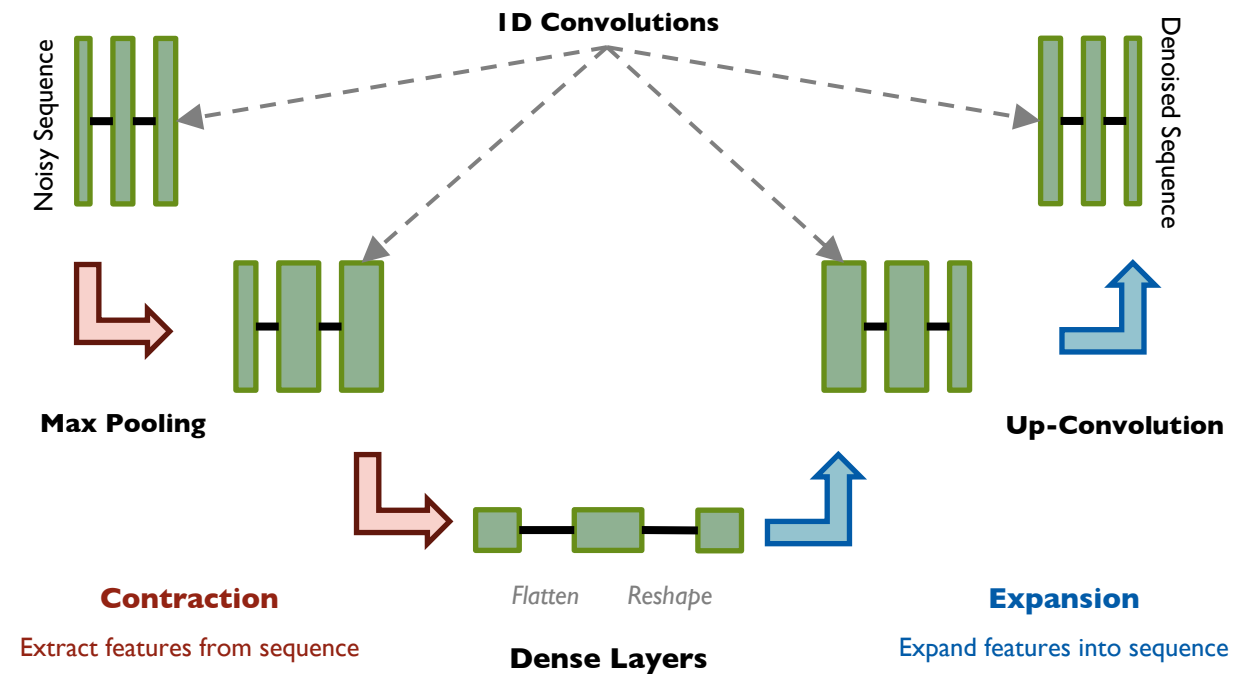
Convolutional Autoencoders

- Convolutions condense ID sequences into latent vectors

- Filters learn translation-invariant features (similar to UNet)
- Pooling layers for down-sampling
- Transpose convolutions for up-sampling

- Parameterized architecture

- Latent dimension
- Number of filters per convolution
- Convolutional kernel sizes



Variational Autoencoders

- Condenses/expands ID sequences into/from stochastic latent space
 - Encoder/decoder can be deep neural-network (DNNs), LSTM cells, etc.
 - Latent space distribution given by mean vector & covariance diagonals
 - KL divergence loss enforces smooth latent distributions
- Attractive option for denoising RF signals
 - Previous success on BPM data
 - Another reason

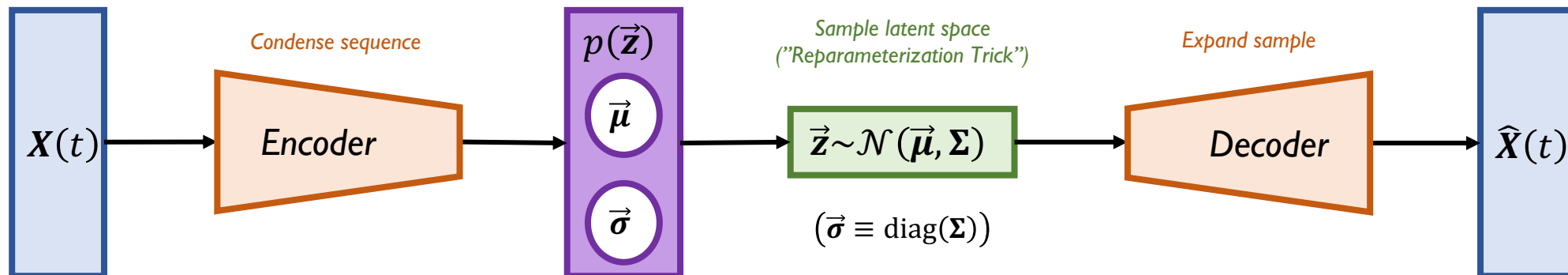
Reconstruction Loss

$$L_{recon} = \|X - \hat{X}\|^2$$

KL Divergence Loss

$$L_{KL} = \sum_i \sigma_i^2 + \mu_i^2 - \log(\sigma_i) - \frac{1}{2}$$

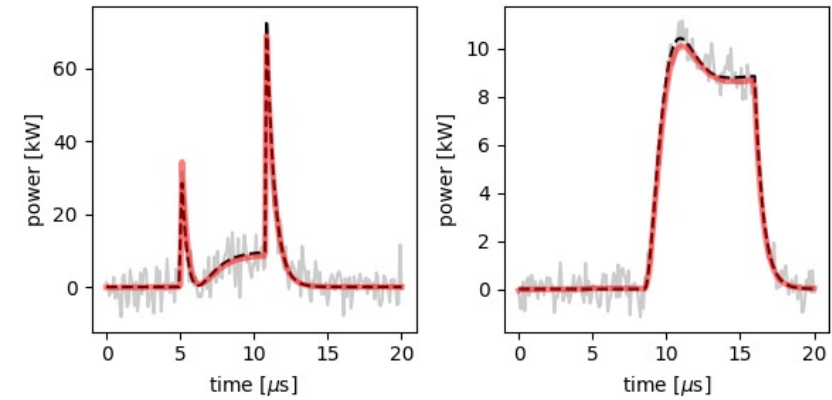
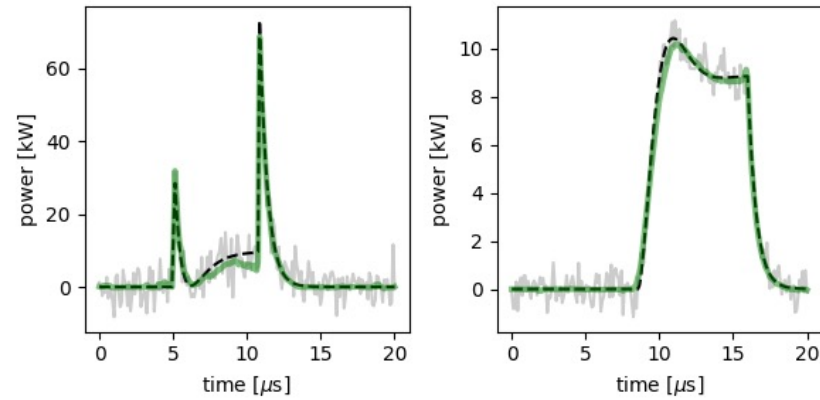
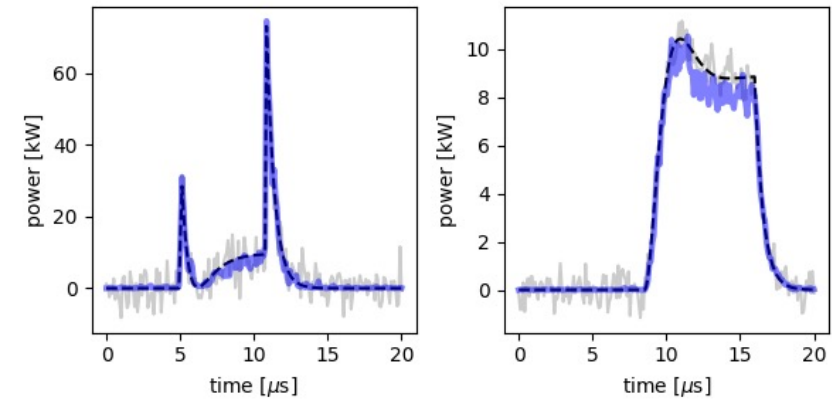
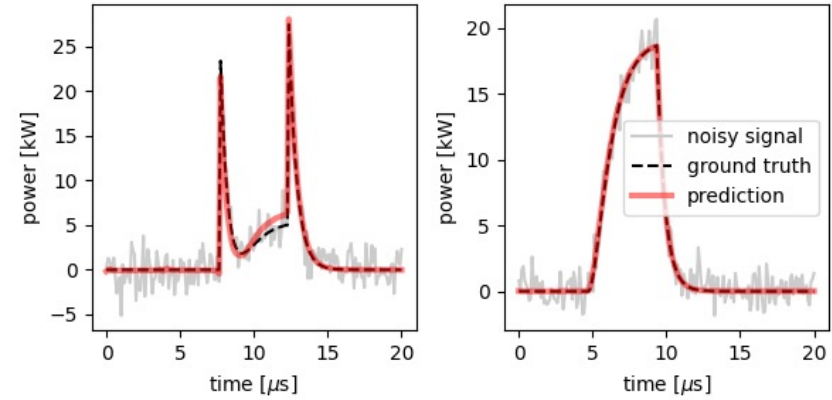
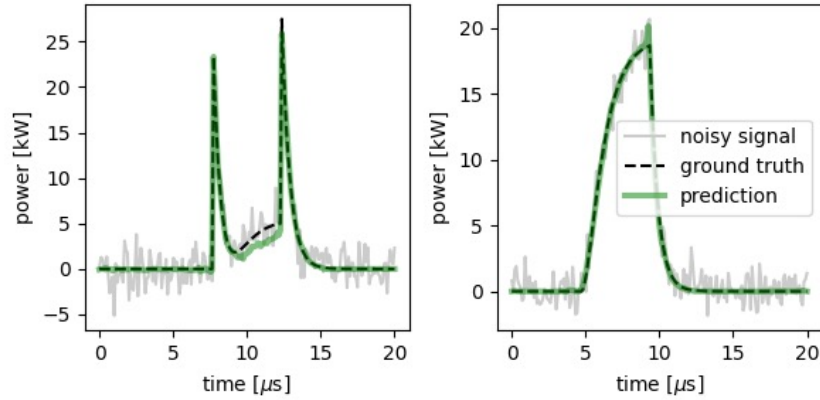
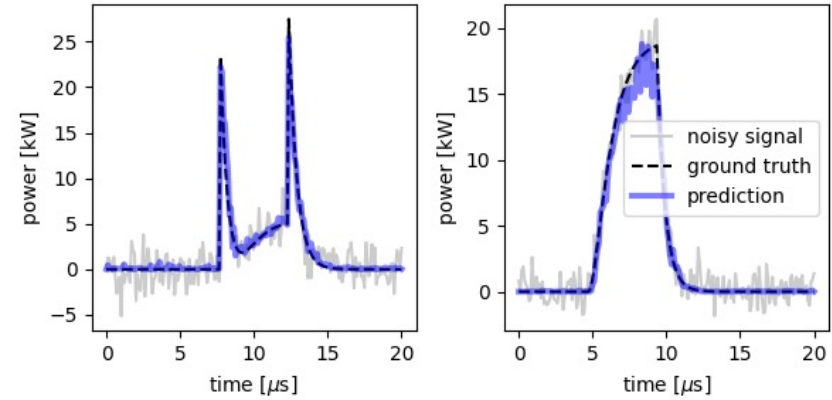
(Assuming $p \sim \mathcal{N}(\vec{\mu}, \Sigma)$)



Results & discussion

Denoised signals & integrated noise statistics

Denoised Signals



Kalman Filter

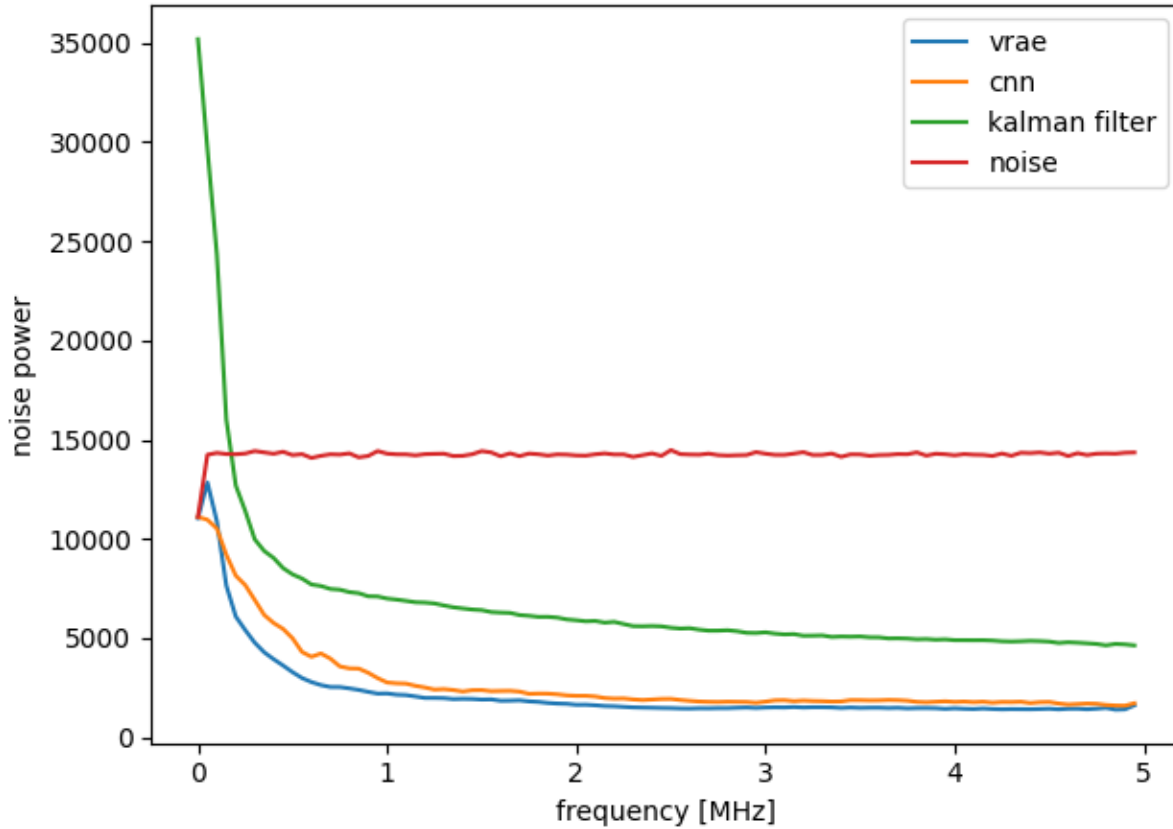
Convolutional Autoencoder

Variational Recurrent Autoencoder

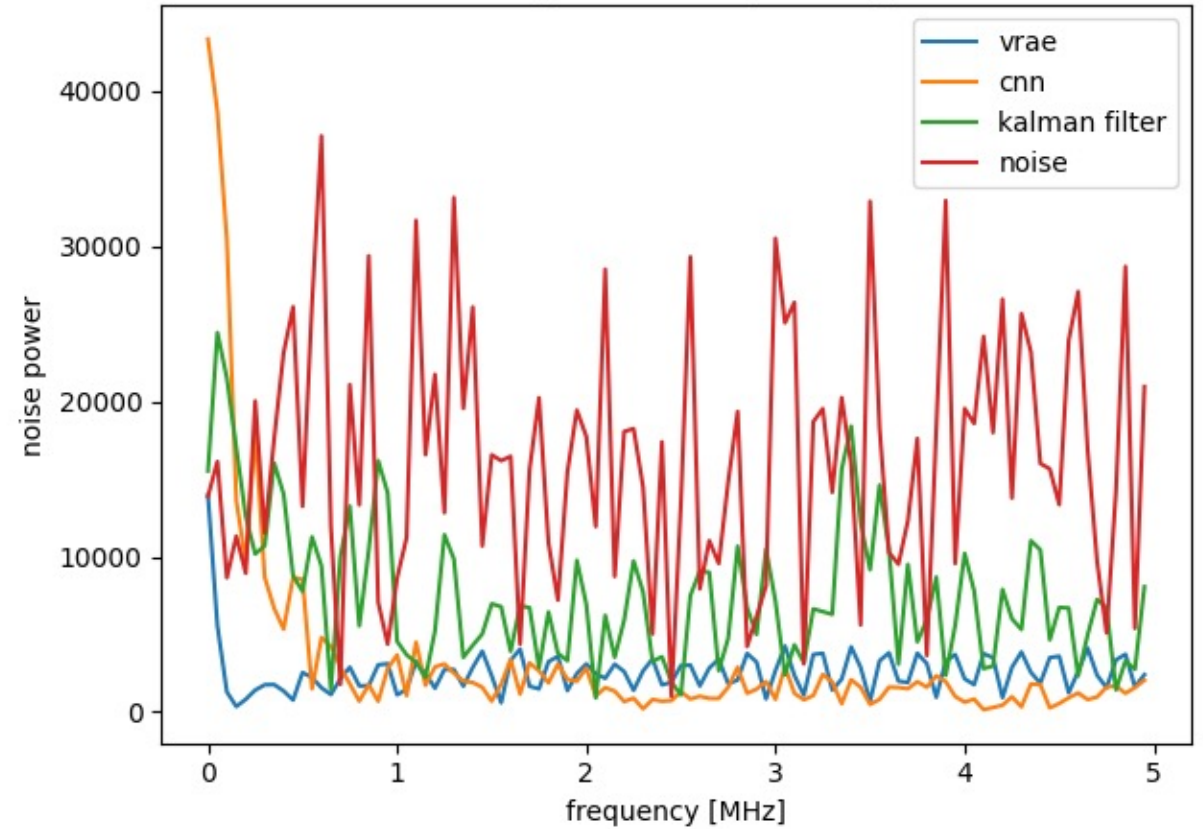
Noise Power Analysis

Single example with median N_{int}

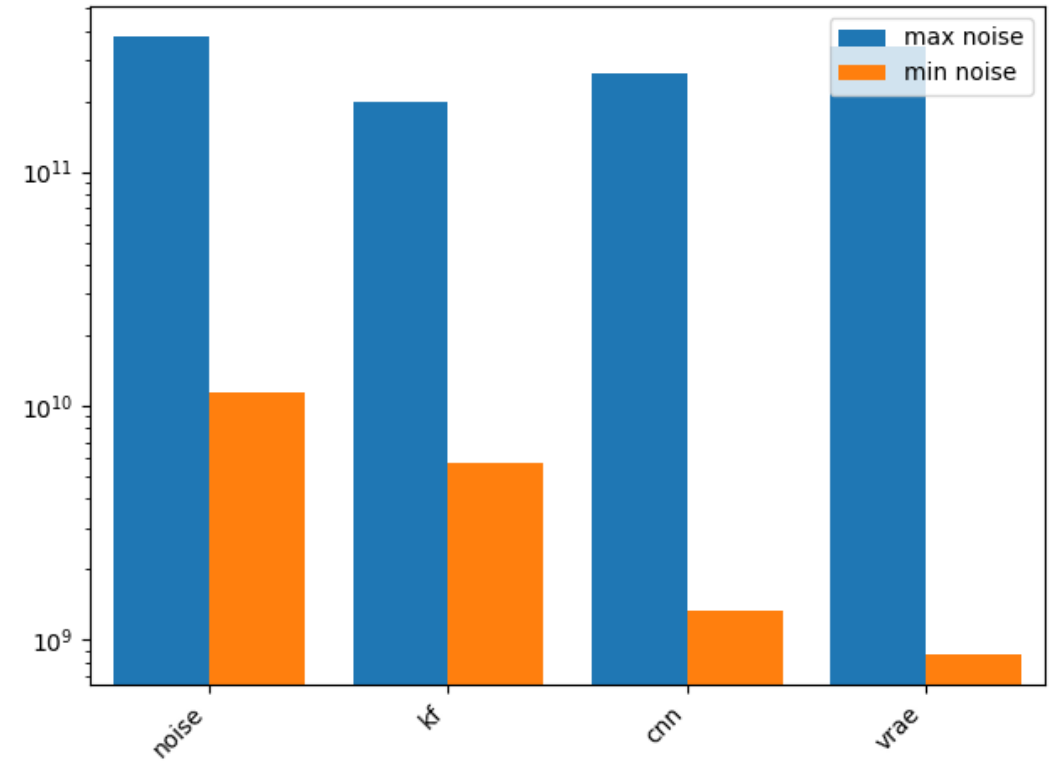
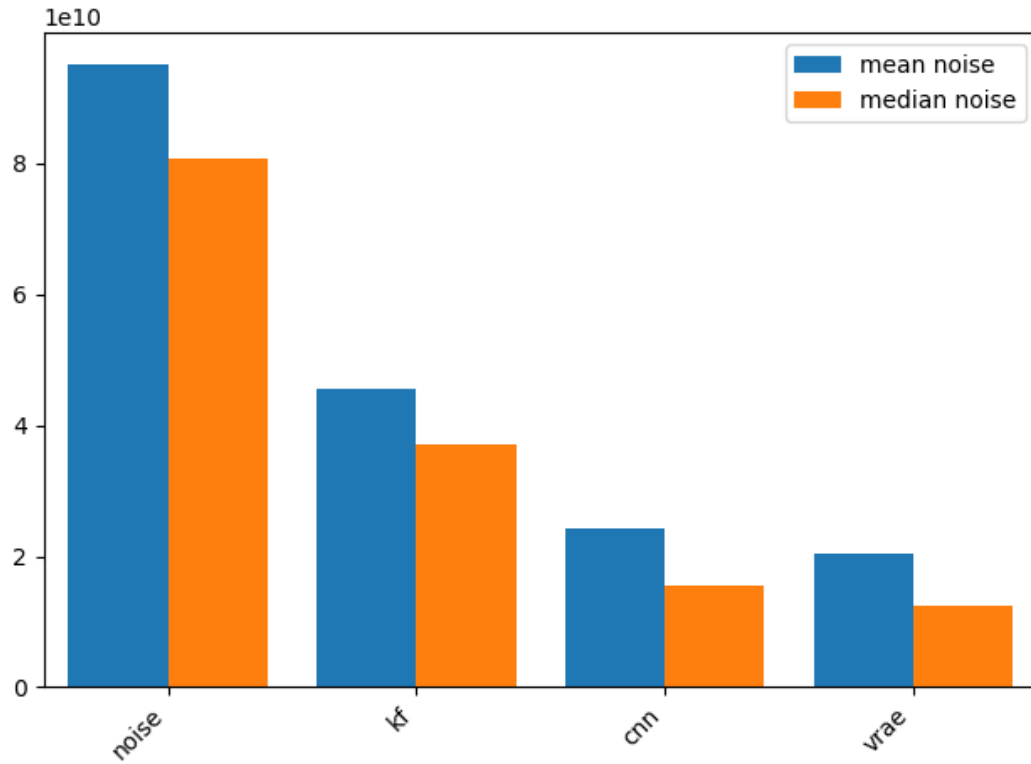
mean power spectrum



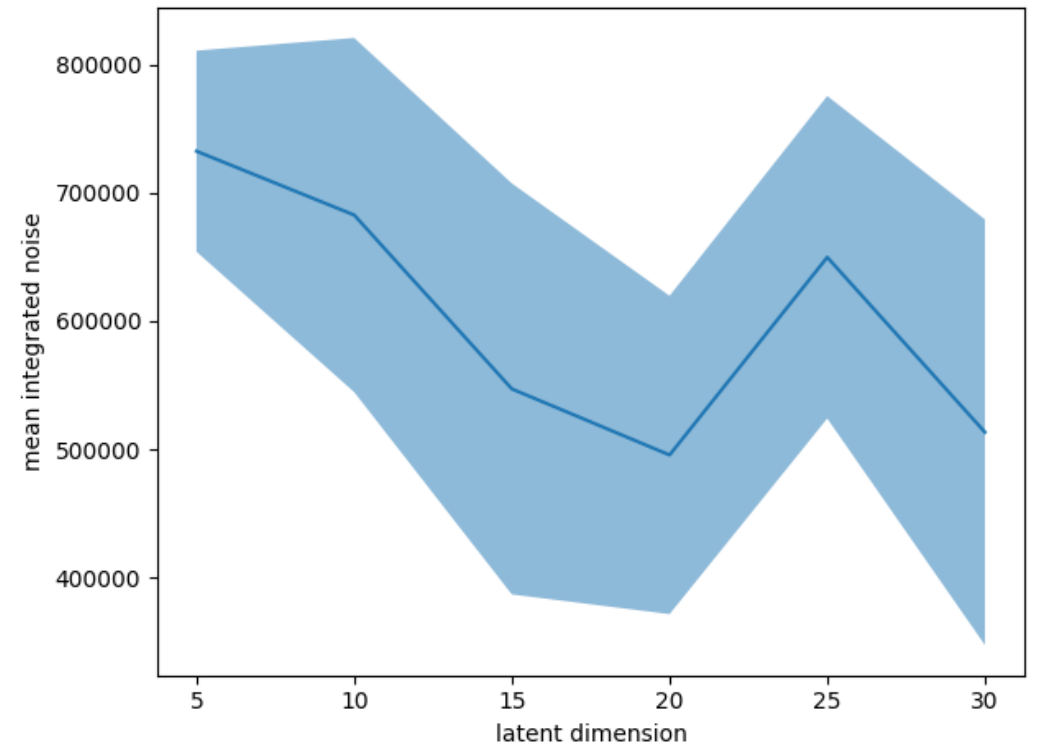
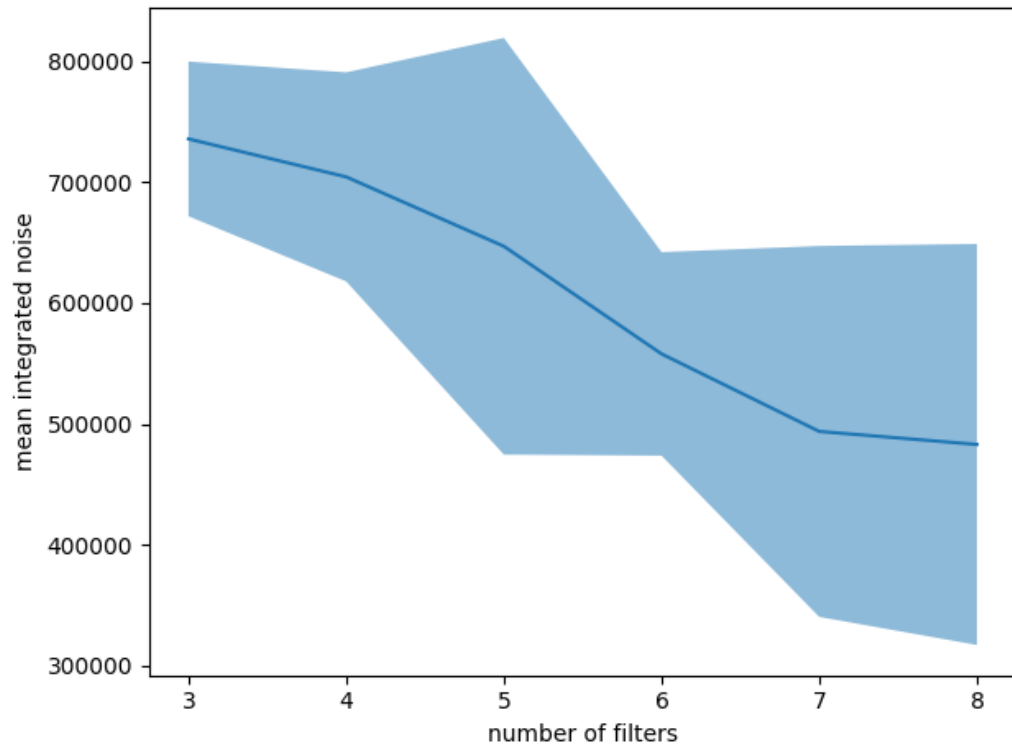
mean integrated noise: power spectra



Integrated Noise Statistics



Integrated Noise & Hyperparameter Tuning (CAE)



Discussion

- All approaches achieved noise reduction
 - Signal reconstruction with errors inside noise bounds
- “Best” result depends on requirements of application
 - KF: worst mean, median, & minimum noise, but best maximum noise
 - VRAE: best mean, median & minimum noise, but worst maximum noise
 - CNN: similarly good mean & median to VRAE, lower maximum noise
- Hyperparameter tuning via noise statistics continues
 - Tuning for additional models (other than CAE)
 - Automated hyperparameter scans

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