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## Learning nonlinear operators via DeepONet based on the universal approximation theorem of operators

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## FOURIER NEURAL OPERATOR FOR PARAMETRIC PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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PINNs :

$$\Delta u = f \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

$$u = u_0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

$$\text{find } u \rightarrow u(x) = u_\theta(x)$$

$\uparrow$  NN

$$x \rightarrow \boxed{\text{NN}} \rightarrow u_\theta(x)$$

Neural ops :

solve PDE as parametrized by  $f, u_0$

$$f, u_0 \rightarrow \boxed{\text{NN}} \rightarrow u$$

## Operators

map function  $\rightarrow$  function

$$u(x) \mapsto \begin{matrix} v(y) \\ v(x) \end{matrix}$$

$$u, v: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

e.g.

$$\frac{d}{dx}: x^2 \mapsto 2x$$

$$\int: \cos x \mapsto \sin x$$

PDE:

$$f \mapsto \begin{matrix} \text{solution of} \\ v \end{matrix} \Delta v = f \quad \begin{matrix} v = 0 \\ \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{matrix}$$

## Neural ops

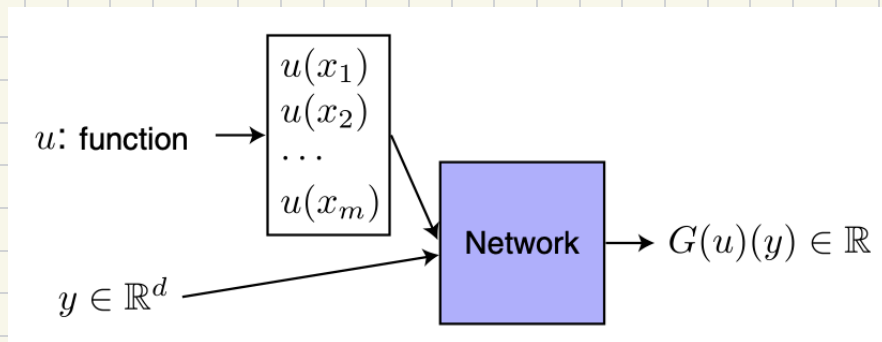
$$u \rightarrow \boxed{G}_{\text{nn}} \rightarrow G(u)$$

$$G(u)(y) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$u \longrightarrow \boxed{NN} \longrightarrow G(u) = v$$

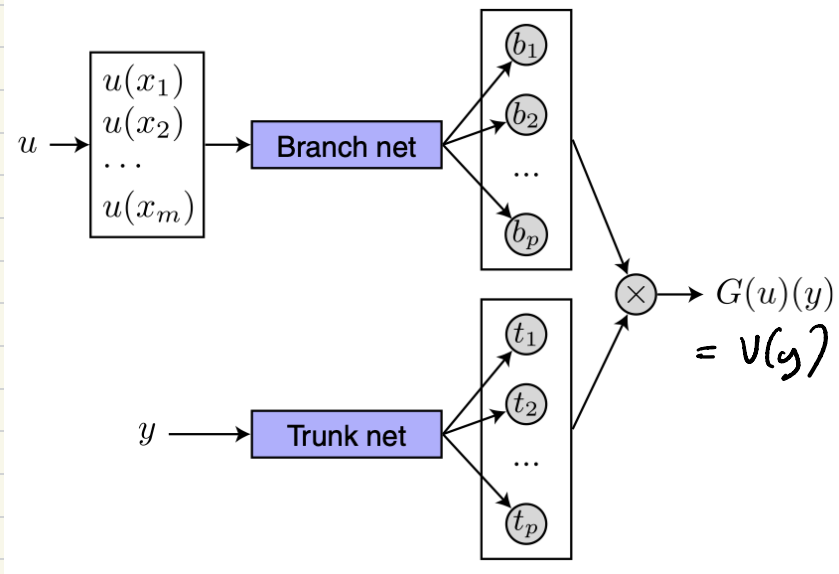
$$\begin{array}{c} u \longrightarrow \\ y \in \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \end{array} \boxed{NN} \longrightarrow G(u)(y) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{bmatrix} u(x_1) \\ u(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ u(x_n) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \longrightarrow \\ y \in \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \end{array} \boxed{NN} \longrightarrow G(u)(y) \in \mathbb{R}$$



$$u \rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{NN}} \rightarrow v = G(u)$$

# DeepONets



$$v(y) = \sum_{\hat{c}=1}^p b_{\hat{c}}(u) \, t_{\hat{c}}(y)$$

$\swarrow$  coeffs

$\nwarrow$  basis on output

The top plot shows a smooth function  $v(y)$  plotted against  $y$ . The bottom plot shows two triangular basis functions  $t_1(y)$  and  $t_2(y)$  plotted against  $y$ , illustrating how they combine to form the output  $v(y)$ .

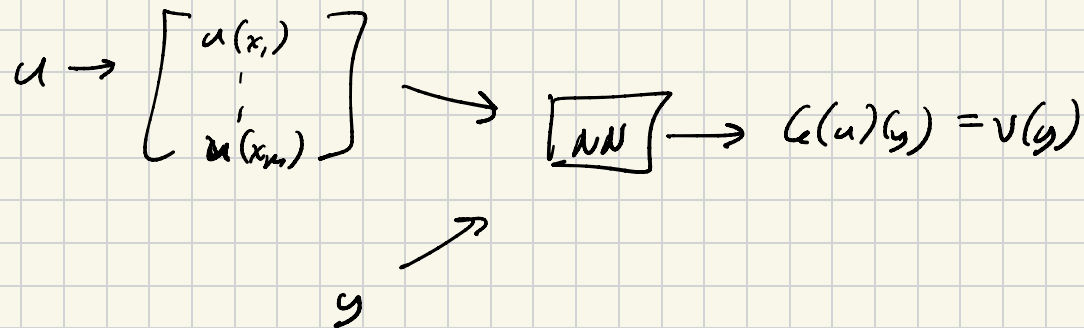
**Theorem 1 (Universal Approximation Theorem for Operator).**

Suppose that  $\sigma$  is a continuous non-polynomial function,  $X$  is a Banach space,  $K_1 \subset X$ ,  $K_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  are two compact sets in  $X$  and  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , respectively,  $V$  is a compact set in  $C(K_1)$ ,  $G$  is a nonlinear continuous operator, which maps  $V$  into  $C(K_2)$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there are positive integers  $n, p$  and  $m$ , constants  $c_i^k, \xi_{ij}^k, \theta_i^k, \zeta_k \in \mathbb{R}, w_k \in \mathbb{R}^d, x_j \in K_1, i = 1, \dots, n, k = 1, \dots, p$  and  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , such that

$$\left| G(u)(y) - \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^p \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^k \sigma \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \xi_{ij}^k u(x_j) + \theta_i^k \right)}_{\text{branch}} \underbrace{\sigma(w_k \cdot y + \zeta_k)}_{\text{trunk}} \right| < \epsilon \quad (1)$$

holds for all  $u \in V$  and  $y \in K_2$ . Here,  $C(K)$  is the Banach space of all continuous functions defined on  $K$  with norm  $\|f\|_{C(K)} = \max_{x \in K} |f(x)|$ .

## Training a Deep ONet



for now, we use supervised training

→ generate many triples  $\{(u_i, y_i, v_i)\}_{i=1}^N$

→ train the network to output  $v_i$  when  $u_i, y_i$  input



## Learning $\frac{d}{dx}$

$$\Omega = [0, 1]$$

choose many inputs  $u(x)$

$$\sin x, \cos x$$

$$\sin \pi x$$

choose evaluation points  $u(x_1), \dots, u(x_p)$

$$u = [\sin(0.1\pi), \sin(0.2\pi), \dots, \sin(0.9\pi)]$$

choose  $y$  (randomly in domain)

$$y = 0.372$$

evaluate  $\frac{d}{dx} u(y)$

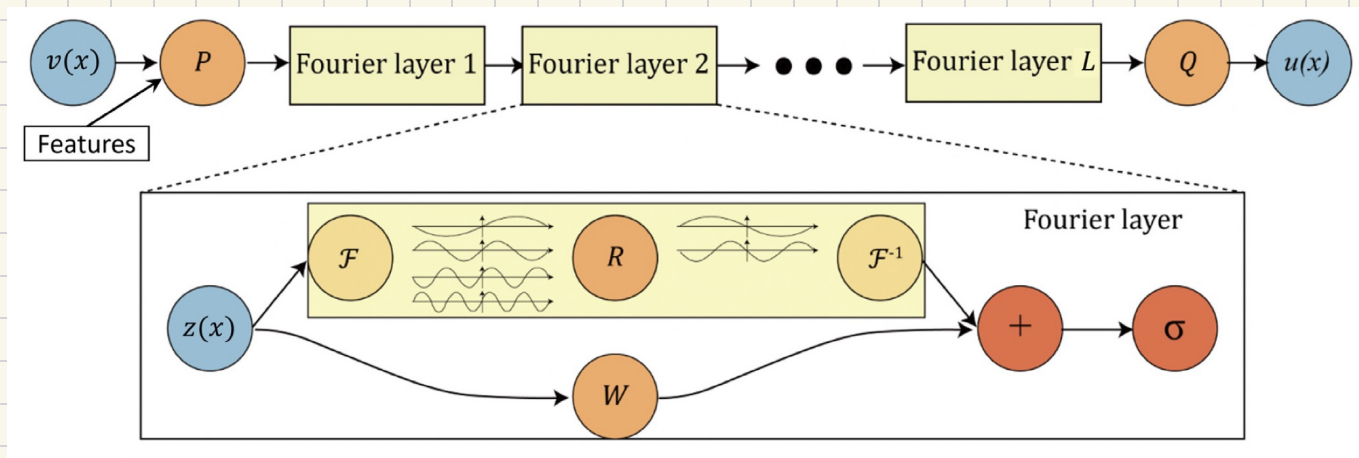
$$v = \pi \cos(\pi \cdot 0.372)$$

$$\Delta v = u$$

pick output  $v$

calculate input  $u$

# Fourier Neural Operators (FNO)



$$u_{k+1}(x) = \sigma(Wu_k(x) + \mathcal{F}^{-1}(R \cdot \mathcal{F}(u_k)))$$