Applications in Graphics and Scientific Simulations

CPSC483: Deep Learning on Graph-Structured Data

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- Application: Reservoir Simulation
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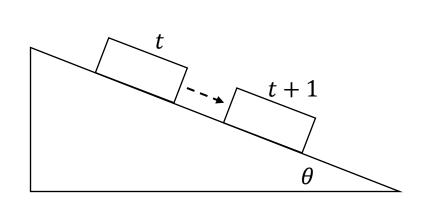
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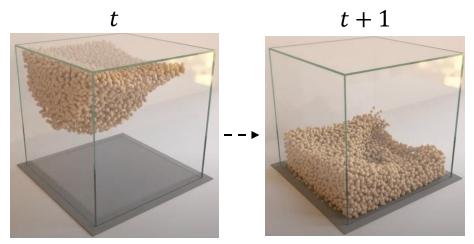
Physical Simulation in Science and Engineering (1)

What is simulation?

Predicting the status of a(some) moving matter(s) at the given time



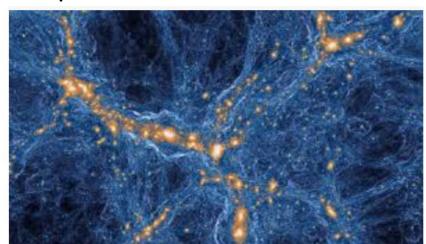
A moving block



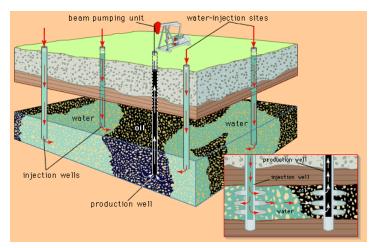
Some falling sands

Physical Simulation in Science and Engineering (2)

- Why do we need physical simulation?
 - For science, it can be used to test theories in real world
 - For engineering, it can be used to assess the performance of a planned system
 - Example:



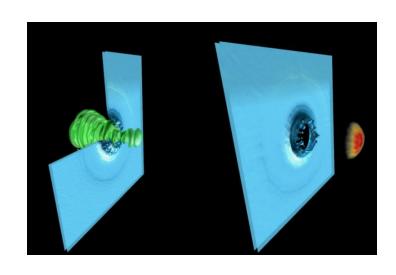
- Particle-particle interactions
 - Predicting galaxy formation with time



- **Reservoir simulation**
 - Predicting properties of fluids

Physical Simulation in Science and Engineering (3)

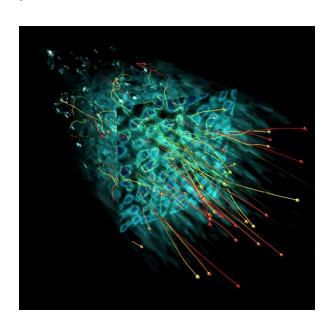
- High Performance Computing (HPC) for Simulation
 - Skyrocketing HPC can be applied to do some computationally intensive simulation



Laser-plasma particle acceleration



Fusion



Cosmic-ray acceleration

Physical Simulation in Science and Engineering (4)

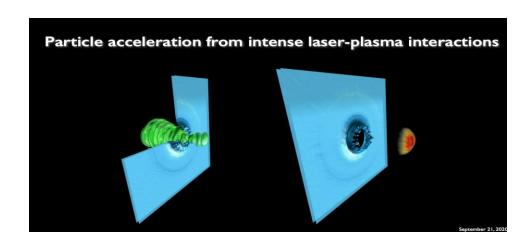
Characteristics

- 1) Large scale in size: at the forefront of HPC
 - Nevertheless, even those large compute with long-time simulation may only do reasonably small systems in practice
 - E.g., for a reasonable 3D laser-plasma interaction system, it has 100B grid vertices, 1T particles, over 100k time steps
 - Largest simulations (1/year): 10^{-1} of that scale, most studies: < 10^{-2} of that scale

Physical Simulation in Science and Engineering (5)

Characteristics

- 2) Multi-scale and large dynamic range
 - The dynamics involves multiple scales
 - Kinetic, many-body processes operating at microscopic scales significantly influence the fluid dynamics at large scales (and vice-versa)
 - E.g., Only ~0.01% of the particles are accelerated but can carry 10-50% of system energy

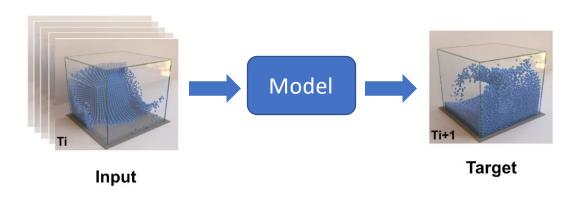


Machine Learning in Physical Simulation (1)

- An attractive alternative: Machine learning
 - Simulators trained from observed data can directly predict the next status

$$\operatorname{Model}(S_{T_0}, \dots, S_{T_i}) = S_{T_{i+1}}$$
 Previous status before step T_{i+1} Predicted status at step T_{i+1}

Prediction



Machine Learning in Physical Simulation (2)

- An attractive alternative: Machine learning
 - Why do we use ML?
 - Multiscale dynamics raise an opportunity for optimization
 - Model can only focus on local information of each unit
 - Some powerful tools can be used to model the interactions between local neighbors, e.g., Graphs
 - Goal
 - For large-scale simulations, can we design accurate and generalizable ML models that capture the essential dynamics of the system with significant speedups?

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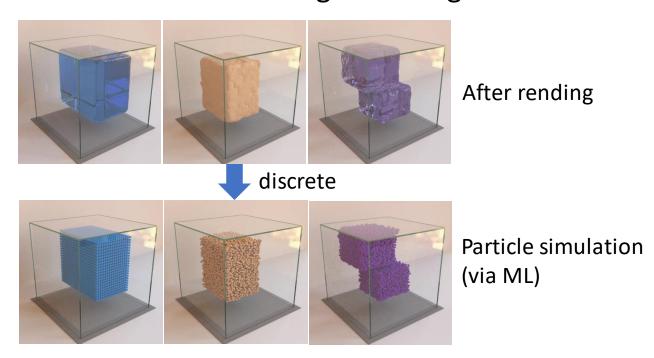
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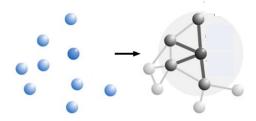
Graph Neural Networks for Simulation (1)

- Problem setting: Particle-based simulation
 - Given the initial conditions of particles (position, velocity)
 - Simulate the evolution of material over long time range



Graph Neural Networks for Simulation (2)

- A powerful tool for learning to simulate: Graph
 - Rich physical states are represented by graphs of interacting particles
 - Node: Particle, Edge: Interaction



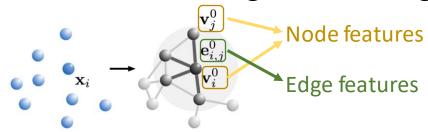
- Why use graph
 - Graph structure naturally captures the local interaction (e.g., collision) between a particle and its adjacent particles
 - Complex dynamics can be approximated by modeling such interaction

Graph Neural Networks for Simulation: GNS (1)

- Graph Network-based Simulator (GNS)
 - m: message passing step
 - v_i^m : feature of node i at m step
 - $e_{i,j}^m$: interaction between node i and node j at m step
 - For every prediction, GNS can be carried out in three steps
 - Construct graph: Connect the node to its neighbors
 - Pass messages: Update the status of each node
 - Extract dynamics info: Predict the next status

GNS: Graph Construction

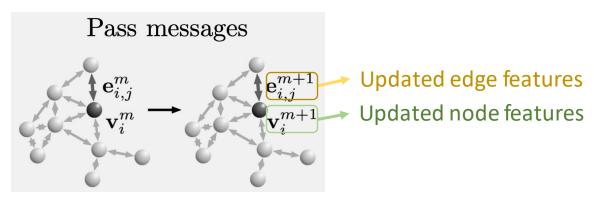
- Construct graph
 - The other nodes within the radius are regarded as neighbors



- Node features
 - Node Position
 - Previous velocities
 - Particle type
- Edge features
 - Relative positional displacement
 - Magnitude

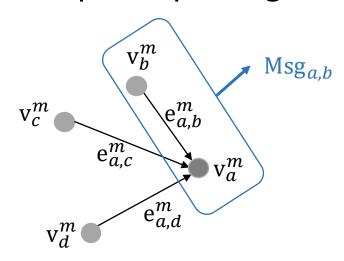
GNS: Message Passing (1)

- Pass messages
 - Aggregate the information from multi-hop neighbors
 - A stack of M graph convolution layers
 - Layer-0 inputs are input features $V^0 = \{v_i^0\}$, $E^0 = \{e_{i,j}^0\}$
 - Layer-m inputs are the updated embeddings V^m , E^m from previous m-1 layers

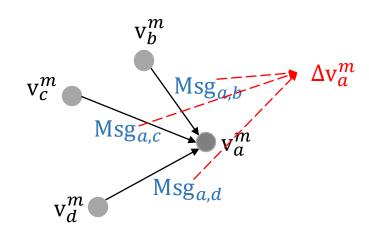


GNS: Message Passing (2)

Example of passing messages

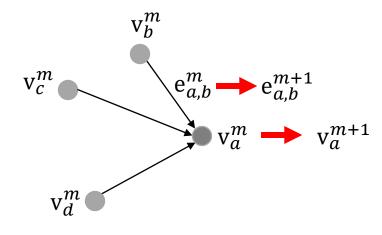


 $Msg_{a,b} = MsgPass(v_b^m, e_{a,b}^m, v_a^m)$



 $\Delta v_a^m = Agg(Msg_{a,*})$

Aggregate message



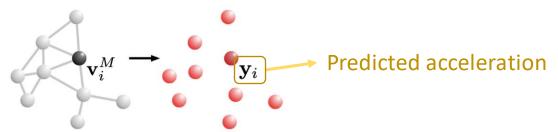
 $\mathbf{v}_{a}^{m+1} = \mathbf{v}_{a}^{m} + \text{Update}(\mathbf{v}_{a}^{m}, \Delta \mathbf{v}_{a}^{m})$ $\mathbf{e}_{a,b}^{m+1} = \mathbf{e}_{a,b}^{m} + \text{Msg}_{a,b}$

Update node and edge representation

GNS: Extract Dynamics Info

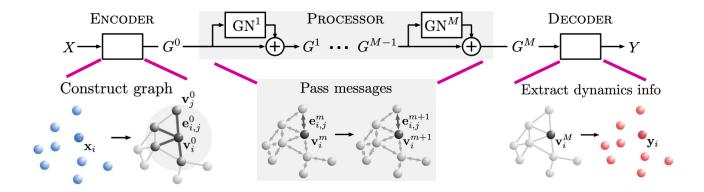
- Extract dynamics info
 - Use updated node representation to predict next status
 - Feed the representation into a learnable MLP to predict current acceleration
 - Apply Euler integrator[1] to update position and velocity
 - Optimizing for acceleration is equivalent to optimizing for position
 - Acceleration is computed as first order finite difference from the position

Extract dynamics info



GNS: Pipeline (1)

Pipeline of GNS



Encoder

- Node input features:
 - Position
 - Previous velocities
 - Particle type
- Edge input features: displacements
- Embed features with MLP
- Construct neighborhood graph

Processor

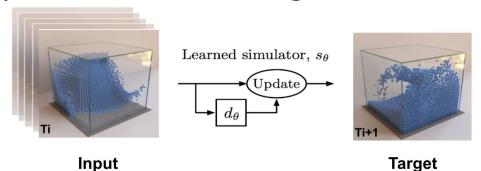
- Message-passing layers (x10)
 - Use neighborhood graph
 - Edge function: MLP
 - Node function: MLP
- Outputs embeddings (next step)

Decoder

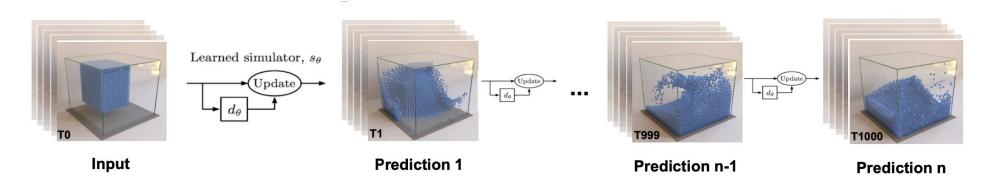
- Decode acceleration
- Feed into Euler integrator to obtain position and velocity

GNS: Pipeline (2)

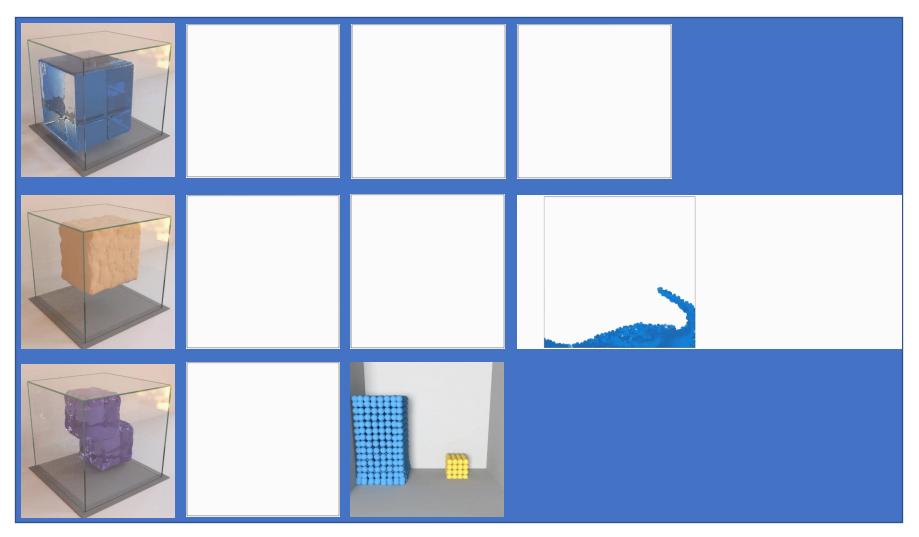
Training time: one-step minibatch training



• Inference time: 1000s of steps

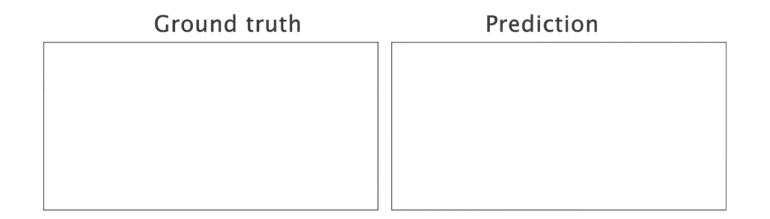


GNS: Demo (1)



GNS: Demo (2)

More complex scenarios



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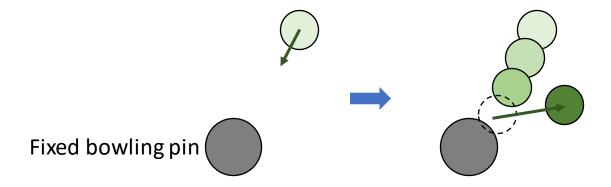
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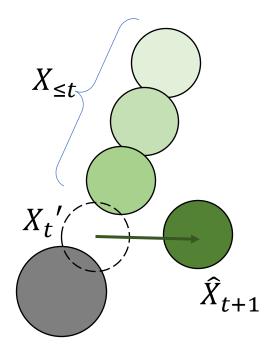
Graph Neural Networks for Simulation: C-GNS

- Motivation of C-GNS
 - GNS applies an explicit forward model to calculate next state directly from the current one
 - However, an equally valid way is to explain the motion/interaction in terms of constraint satisfaction
 - Let's consider an example: a bowling ball colliding with a fixed bowling pin



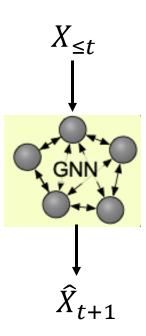
Constraint-based Simulator (1)

- Collision between two balls
 - Fixed ball causes the other one to move
 - Physical constraint: Objects do not overlap
 - Notation
 - $X_{\leq t}$: position of object before time step t



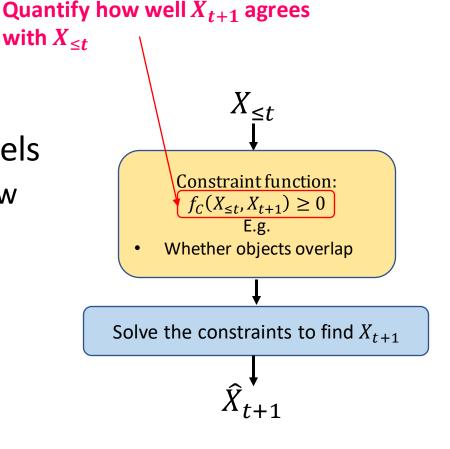
Constraint-based Simulator (2)

- The way GNS models
 - Predicts the next position directly
 - Directly predict the position of ball after collision
 - Requires to implicitly resolve physical constraints
 - Objects do not overlap
- Many traditional physical simulators don't work like that!



Constraint-based Simulator (3)

- The way constraint-based simulator models
 - Define a constraint function to quantify how well X_{t+1} agrees with $X_{\leq t}$
 - Find X_{t+1} by solving the constraints

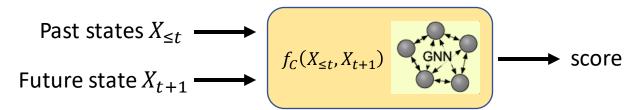


Comparison between GNS and C-GNS

- Graph Network-based Simulator (GNS)
 - Given previous states, GNS directly predicts the state update at the next step.
- Constraint—based Graph Network Simulator (C-GNS)
 - Constraint (f_C) : a learnable function which indicates the next step state is consistent with the current and previous states
 - Different from GNS, C-GNS begins with an initial state update and iteratively refines until it satisfies the constraint

Constrained-based Graph Networks Simulator (1)

- The learnable constraint function f_C :
 - GNN-based constraint function
 - f_C determines whether X_{t+1} is consistent with $X_{\leq t}$ (the smaller the better)

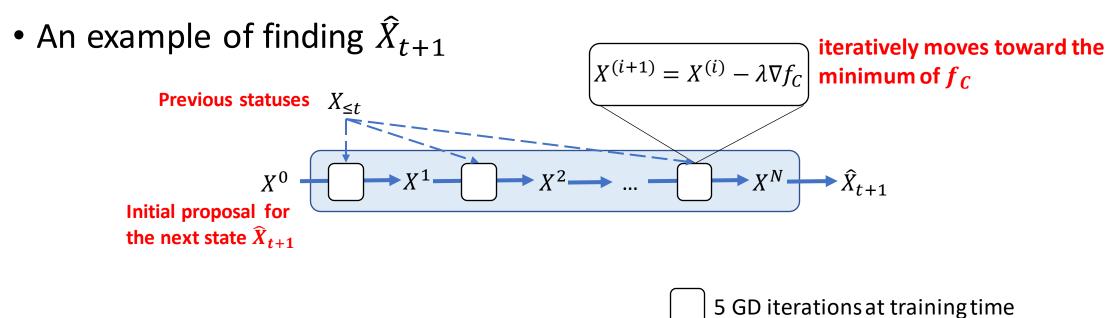


Predict the next status by minimize the constraint function

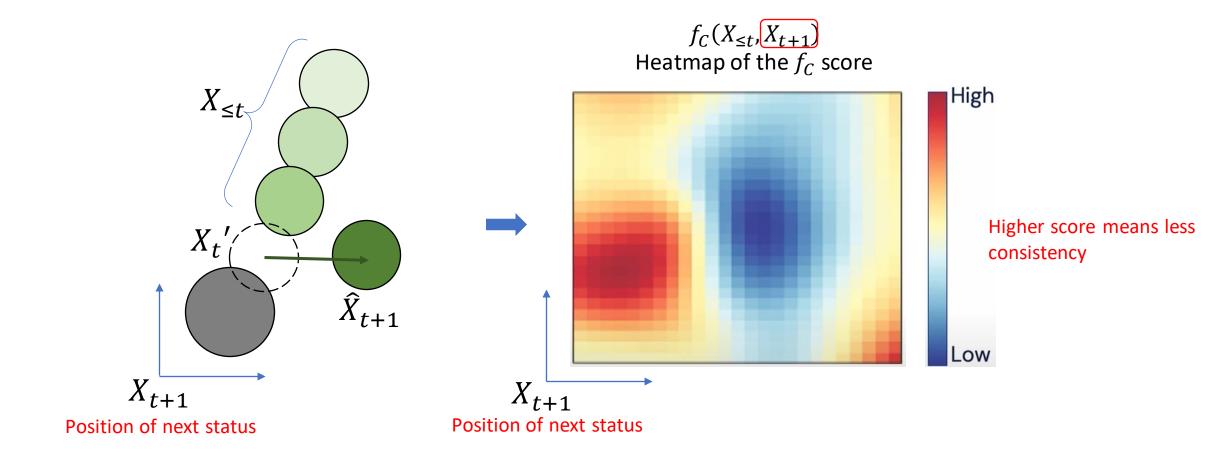
$$\widehat{X}_{t+1} = \operatorname{arg\,min}_{X_{t+1}} f_C(X_{\leq t}, X_{t+1})$$

Constrained-based Graph Networks Simulator (2)

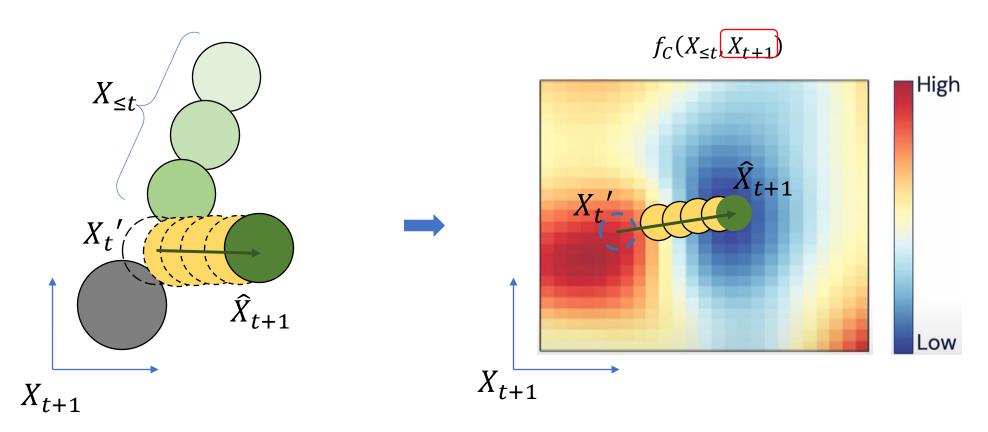
- How can we find a minimum of a function?
 - Gradient descent (GD)!



Constrained-based Graph Networks Simulator (3)



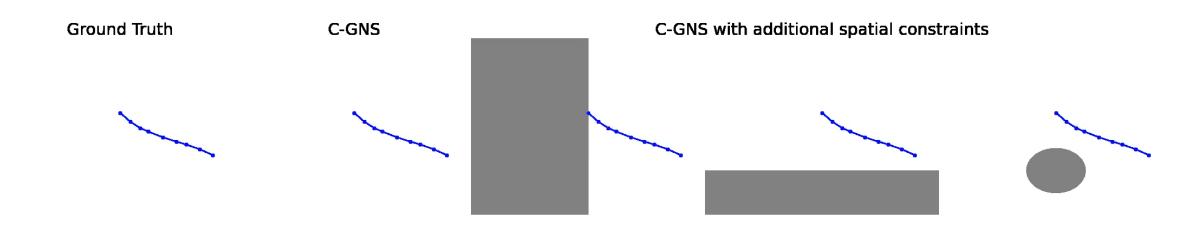
Constrained-based Graph Networks Simulator (4)



Refine the position to find the minimum of $f_C(X_{\leq t}, X_{t+1})$

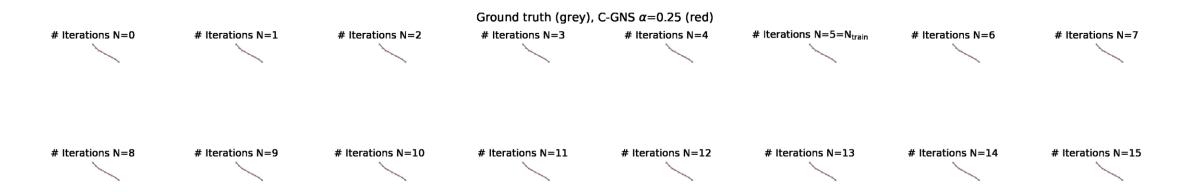
Demo (1)

• More demos can be found in https://sites.google.com/view/constraint-based-simulator



Demo (2)

Performance with different number of iterations



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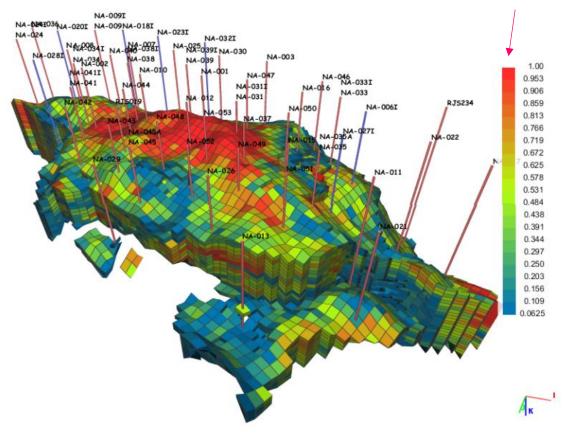
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Reservoir Simulation

- Water and oil exist in the porous rock which is discretized into cells
- Water is pumped into the reservoir using injectors (blue pins)
- Preferential fluid flow path from the injectors to the oil producers (red pins)

Oil saturation level

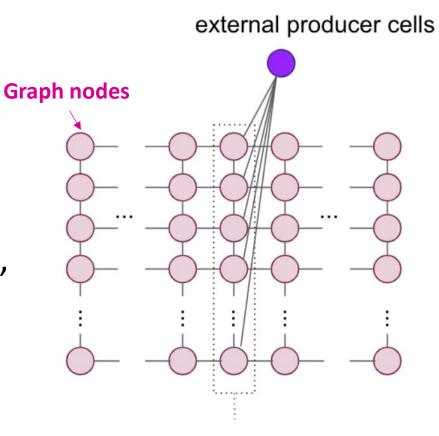


Problem formulation

- Input: A large grid with million of cells. Each cell in grid has static and dynamic features
 - Static features: transmissibility, por-vol, porosity etc.
 - Dynamic features: water/oil/gas (in barrels) and pressure (in PSI)
 - Given the dynamic features for the initial 3 steps (time step 0, 1, 2)
 - Size: 1M to 15M cells
 - Well metadata and well rates
- Output
 - Water/oil/gas (in barrels) and pressure (in PSI) predictions for all cells (including injectors/producers) at subsequent time steps: 3, 4, ..., 22 (20 months)
 - Production prediction: 3 values WSWP, WWPR, WOPR for each producer cell at each time step - oil production prediction

Reservoir Simulation

- Graph nodes consist of grid cells and special cell types (injector, producer, boundary cells)
- Graph edges consist of connectivity between adjacent grid cells (allows transmission of water / oil)
- Apply GNS framework to simulate the oil, water saturation at each cell, and pressure at each cell
 - Given the previous statuses of graph nodes, predict the next status



Improvement: Hybrid Model (1)

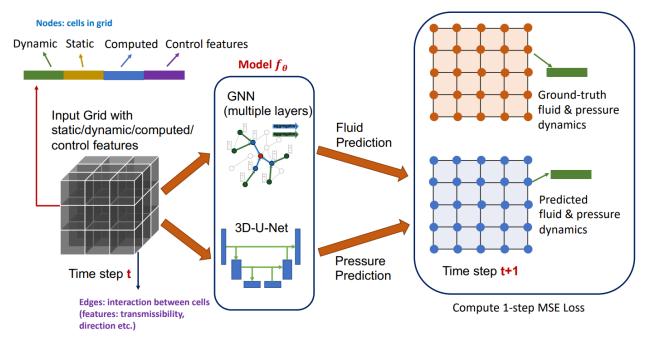
- Model
 - Use 2 models to make separate water and pressure prediction
 - Benefit: combine the advantages of both models
- As for pressure prediction
 - Apply UNet[1] to model interactions at global scale
 - Unet is suitable for pressure modeling
 - Next step pressure could depend on the entire grid information



U-shaped encoder-decoder network architecture

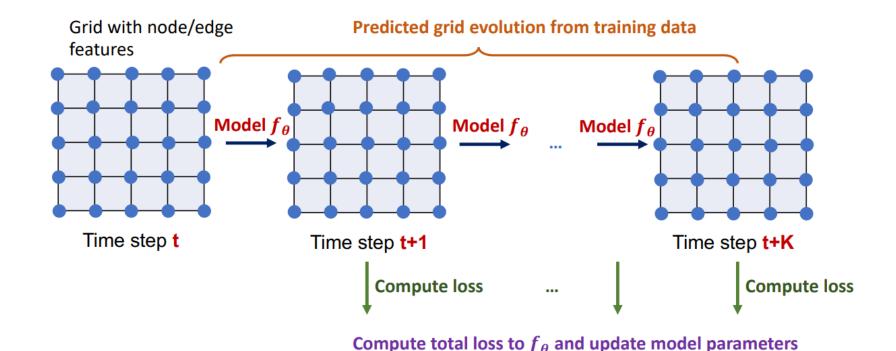
Improvement: Hybrid Model (2)

- As for water prediction
 - Apply GNN to model water volume
 - Utilize edge features and local interaction
- Combine these two models



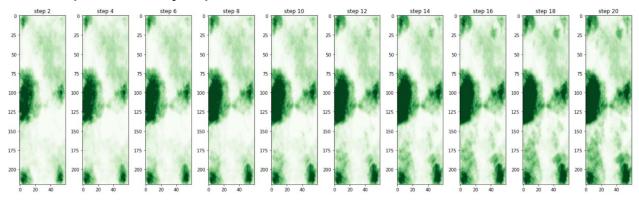
Multi-step Rollout During Training

- The loss consists of error on each time step
- During training, the gradient can pass through the full rollout

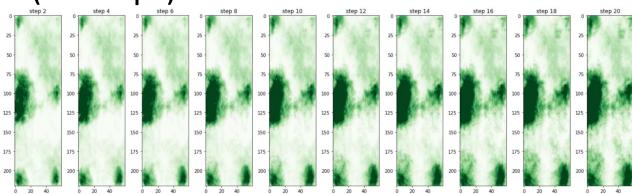


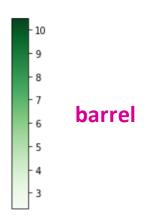
Reservoir Simulation over 20 steps (20 months)

Groundtruth rollout (20 steps)



Simulation results (20 steps)





Summary

- What is physical simulation?
- GNN for simulation (GNS)
 - Given previous statuses of nodes, predict the next status
 - Design message passing method to aggregate the information of surrounding neighbors
- Constraint-based Graph Neural Network Simulator
 - Explicitly model the physical constraint by learnable constraint function
- Reservoir Simulation
 - Consider a large grid as a graph
 - Apply GNN to simulate the oil, water saturation