

# Particle In a Box

Using Physics Informed Neural Networks

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# Problem Statement

Solve for the wavefunctions of a particle in a box of length  $L = 1$  by making use of PINNs to solve

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi$$

- 1 Values of  $E = \frac{n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2m}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  to get different Wavefunctions
- 2 If the energy eigenvalues were not known, how would the neural network have to be changed to find the eigenvalues also?

# Physics Informed Neural Networks

- ① NN = Universal Function Approximator
- ② Predicts solutions to differential equations
- ③ Trained to minimize data loss (if available)
- ④ Minimizes PDE residuals (physics loss)
- ⑤ Learns solution without needing mesh or full data

# Brief Working

- 1 Collocation points  $\{(x_i)\}_{i=1}^{N_p}$  are sampled in the domain.
- 2 The network outputs  $\Psi_{\theta}(x_i, t_i)$ , which are plugged into the PDE to compute residuals. ( $\theta$  is parameter of the Neural Networks)
- 3 Boundary and/or initial conditions are included in the loss function as extra terms to consider them

# Model Architecture

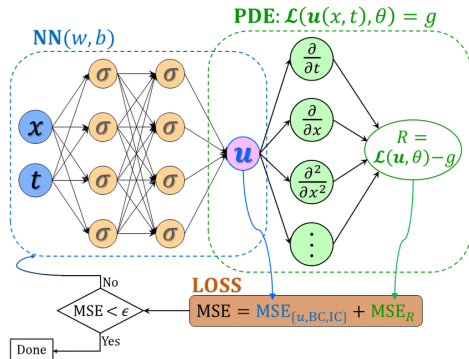


Figure: General Pinn architecture

# Model Architecture

- 1 Sequential, Linear Layers
- 2 Coupled with activation function-  $\tanh$ (Experimental)
- 3 The eigen number  $n$  is globally defined
- 4 Input:  $x$  space
- 5 Output:  $\Psi_n(x)$
- 6 Model learns the form of a particular eigen function of the TISE and predicts the  $\Psi_n(x)$  values on the domain of a given box ( $x$  space)
- 7 To obtain solution for other  $n$ , we will retrain the model for the desired  $n$

# Loss Functions

Four loss functions are defined

- 1 Boundary Condition Error (BCE)
- 2 Physics Loss
- 3 Norm Loss
- 4 Trivial Loss

$$Loss = \lambda_1 \mathcal{L}_{BCE} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{L}_{Physics} + \lambda_3 \mathcal{L}_{Norm} + \lambda_4 \mathcal{L}_{Trivial}$$



# MSE (Boundary Points)

$$\mathcal{L}_{MSE} = \frac{1}{2} \sum (\psi_{\text{true}}(x_i) - \psi_{\text{pred}}(x_i))^2$$

- $X_i :=$  Boundary points
- ① A Standard error function for NNs
- ② Ensures the solution has the right *bounds*
- ③ We know  $\Psi(x)$  only at two points - boundaries

# Physics Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{phy} = \sum_{i=0}^N -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \hat{\psi}_{pred}(x_i) - E \hat{\psi}_{pred}(x_i)$$

- 1 The above term should ideally be 0
- 2 Ensures the solution is *physically behaving* as expected

# Norm Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{Norm} = \left| \int_X \Psi_{pred}(x) \Psi_{pred}^*(x) dx - 1 \right|^2$$

Condition from Quantum Mechanics / Total Probability theorem

- 1 We use this to make sure the solution predicted by NN is a valid Quantum wavefunction
- 2 If we don't use this, the solution will be physically non-nonsensical

# Trivial Solution

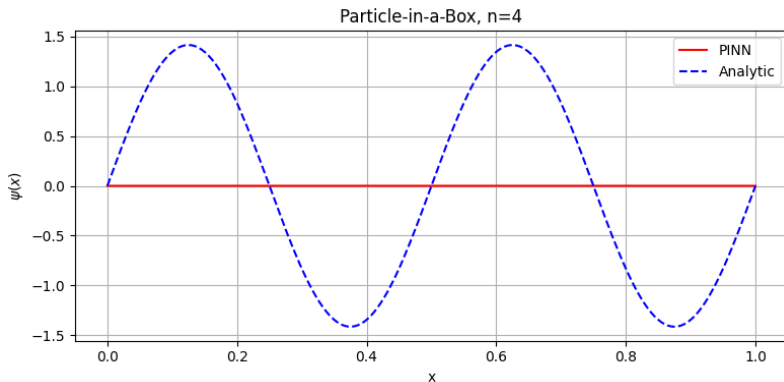


Figure: Trivial solution for the equation  $-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Psi = E\Psi$

# Trivial Loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{trivial} = \frac{1}{(\langle |\psi_{pred}(x)| \rangle + 10^{-6})^2}$$

The trivial solution of the TISE is  $\Psi(x) = 0 \forall x \in X$

- 1 We do not want the model to converge the solution to trivial
- 2 The NN can easily converge to a trivial solution
- 3 We penalise the model if it tries to converge to a trivial function
- 4 Trivial solution  $\implies$  average of absolutes is 0
- 5 the  $10^{-6}$  ensures a finiteness

# Curriculum Learning

- ① A Strategy to learn a function by prioritising the loss functions
- ② The loss weights  $\lambda$ s are changed in different epochs
- ③ Initially, weightage to boundary condition, Physics (PDE) Loss and Trivial loss is high
- ④ Once the solution is converged to an extent, we refine it by giving higher weightage to norm loss

# Performance Metrics

- **MSE (Mean Squared Error):** Measures average squared error between true and predicted values.

$$\text{MSE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\Psi_{\text{pred}}(x_i) - \Psi_{\text{true}}(x_i))^2 \quad \text{Ideal Value} \rightarrow 0$$

- **Energy Deviation:** Difference between predicted and true energy.

$$\Delta E = |E_{\text{true}} - \hat{H}\Psi_{\text{pred}}(x)| \quad \text{Ideal Value} \rightarrow 0$$

- **Fidelity:** Overlap between predicted and true quantum states.

$$\mathcal{F} = \left| \int \psi_{\text{true}}(x) \psi_{\text{pred}}(x) dx \right|^2 \quad \text{Ideal Value} \rightarrow 1$$

- **Correlation Coefficient ( $\rho$ ):** Strength of linear correlation between true and predicted.

$$\rho_{\Psi_{\text{pred}}, \Psi_{\text{true}}} = \frac{\text{Cov}(\Psi_{\text{pred}}, \Psi_{\text{true}})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\Psi_{\text{true}})} \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}(\Psi_{\text{pred}})}} \quad \text{Ideal Value} \rightarrow \pm 1$$

# Model Performance

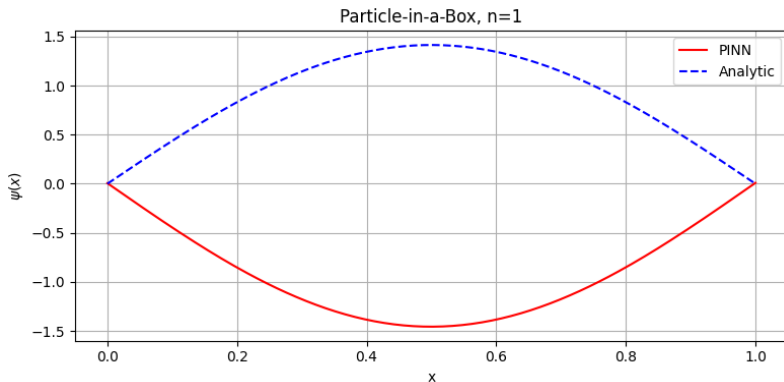


Figure: Predicted wave Function for  $n = 1$



# Model Performance

	Metric	Value
0	MSE	4.110349
1	Energy Deviation	0.316992
2	Fidelity	1.057629
3	Correlation Coefficient	-0.999998

Figure: Metrics for  $n = 1$



Figure: Loss for  $n = 1$

# Model Performance

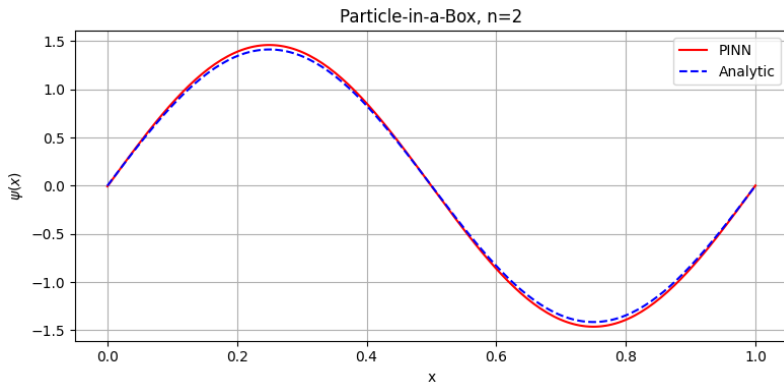


Figure: Predicted wave Function for  $n = 2$

# Model Performance

	Metric	Value
0	MSE	0.001099
1	Energy Deviation	1.369095
2	Fidelity	1.067306
3	Correlation Coefficient	0.999999

Figure: Metrics for  $n = 2$

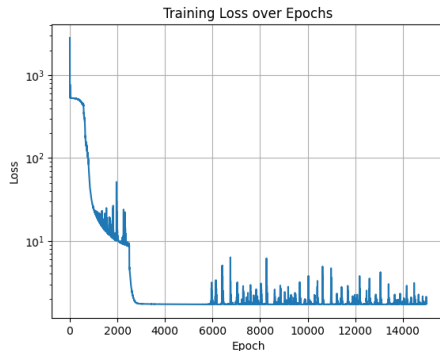


Figure: Loss for  $n = 2$

# Model Performance

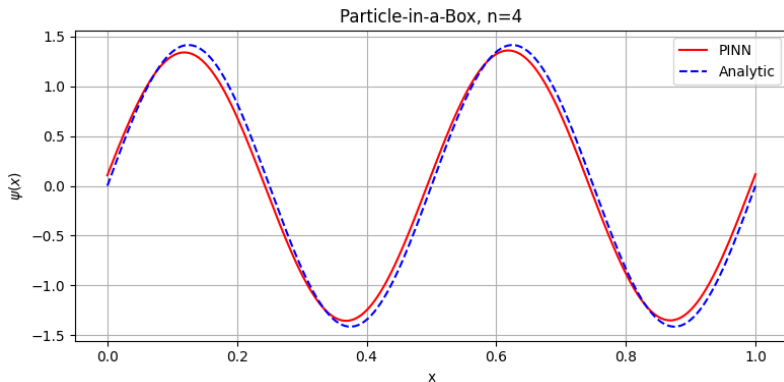


Figure: Predicted wave Function for  $n = 4$

# Model Performance

	Metric	Value
0	MSE	0.008597
1	Energy Deviation	6.806664
2	Fidelity	0.906560
3	Correlation Coefficient	0.996536

Figure: Metrics for  $n = 4$

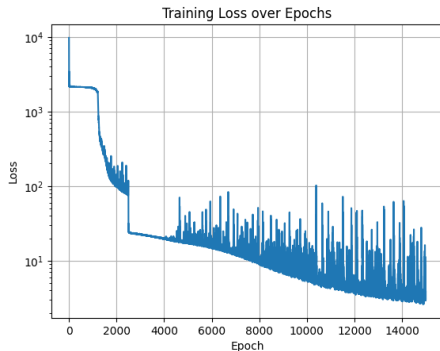


Figure: Loss for  $n = 4$

# Utility of PINN

How is a Neural Network relevant here?

Regular approach

- ① Find the non trivial solutions to  $(H - \mathbb{I} E)\Psi = 0$
- ② Usually done using QR Algorithm ('scipy'/LAPACK) in  $O(n^3)$
- ③ To find eigen vector  $n = 3$  for in domain  $[a, b]$  for 3 cases :
  - `A = linspace(a, b, 1000) | B = linspace(a, b, 5000) | C = linspace(a, b, 8000)` | we need to run the computation code again and again

# Utility of PINN

How is a Neural Network relevant here?

Neural Networks

- 1 Train the Model for a particular eigen state  $n$  on a large  $x$  space
- 2 The model *knows* the behaviour of eigen function very well
- 3 Pass the different  $x$  space domains to the model predicts the eigen wave function
- 4 Running NN model  $\implies$  (usually) a matrix multiplication, efficiently implemented in  $O(n^{\log_2 7}) \approx O(n^{2.7})$  (Strassen's Algorithm)

So, NNs can give a speed up for large  $N$  and repeated calculation of a specific eigen function.

# What if Energy Eigenvalues are Unknown?

- 1 Assume we do not know the formula for  $E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m}$ .
- 2 We treat  $E$  as a trainable parameter or explore it manually.
- 3 Strategy: Fix a trial value of  $E$ , let the PINN solve the differential equation.
- 4 The network converges to actual eigenvalue closest to guessed  $E$
- 5 Output  $\Psi(x)$  becomes the corresponding eigenfunction.



# Changes in PINN for Unknown $E$

- 1 Network Output: PINN now outputs both  $\Psi(x)$  and  $E$

Output:  $(\Psi_{\theta}(x), E_{\theta})$

- 2 Modified Loss Function:

- PDE loss becomes:

$$\mathcal{L}_{PDE} = \sum -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \Psi_{\theta}}{dx^2} - E_{\theta} \Psi_{\theta}(x)$$

- 3  $E$  is updated along with network weights using backpropagation.
- 4 Therefore, the neural network will converge to a wavefunction and its corresponding eigenvalue

# Model Performance when E is unknown

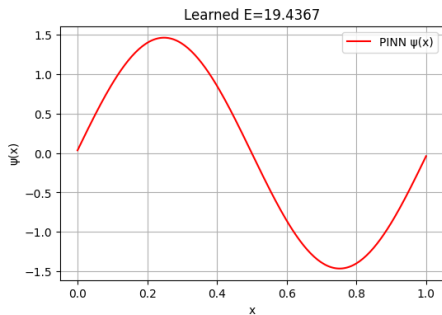
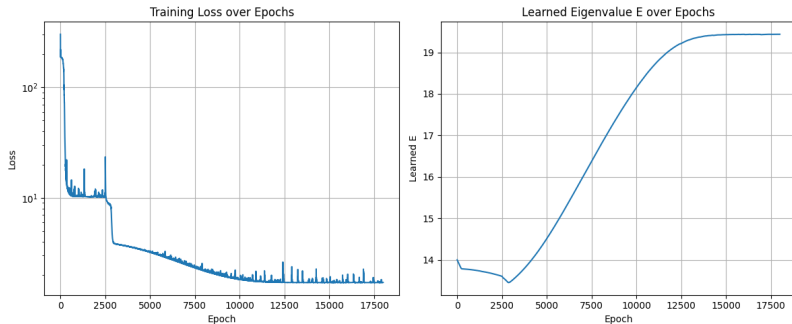


Figure: plot for Trial Energy  $E$  close to 19

- 1 Energy Predicted:  $E \approx 19.4367$
- 2 Closest actual eigenvalue corresponds to quantum number  $n = 2$
- 3 Actual energy:  $E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$ , with  $\hbar = 1$ ,  $m = 1$ ,  $L = 1$
- 4 So,  $E_2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{2} \approx 19.7392$
- 5 Deviation:  $\approx 0.3025$  (Relative Error  $\approx 1.53\%$ )

# Model Performance



**Figure:** Loss and learned E for trial energy close to 19

# Model Performance when E is unknown

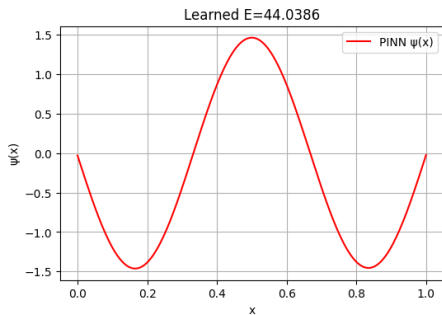
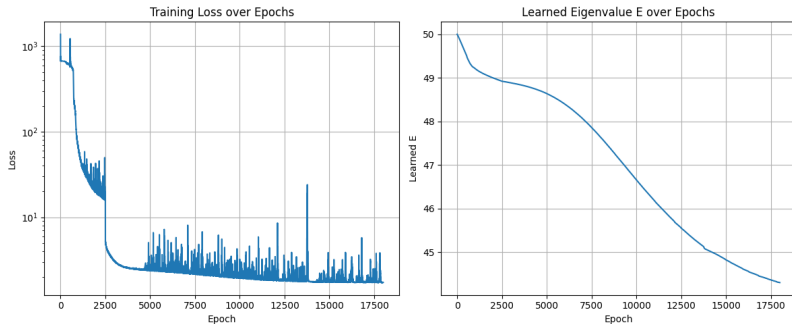


Figure: plot for Trial Energy  $E$  close to 44

- 1 Energy Predicted:  $E \approx 44.0386$
- 2 Closest actual eigenvalue corresponds to quantum number  $n = 3$
- 3 Actual energy:  $E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2}$ , with  $\hbar = 1$ ,  $m = 1$ ,  $L = 1$
- 4 So,  $E_3 = \frac{9\pi^2}{2} \approx 44.41$
- 5 Deviation:  $\approx 0.3746$  (Relative Error  $\approx 0.84\%$ )

# Model Performance



**Figure:** Loss and learned E for trial energy close to 44

# Scope of Improvement

- ① Smoothing the curriculum learning weights - exponential decay instead of sudden jump
- ② Loss Functions
  - Anchor Points - by QM properties, some points may only have a particular value
  - Rayleigh Loss -  $|E_{true} - H\Psi|^2$
- ③ Better initialization - Xavier/Glorot Method
- ④ Adaptive Learning - model itself learns the weights
- ⑤ Better evaluation metrics