



# AE646: SCIENTIFIC MACHINE LEARNING FOR FLUID MECHANICS

## PINN05: PHYSICS INFORMED NEURAL NETWORKS

### TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS

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## PINNs SOLUTION OF ODE/PDE

Have seen that PINNs

-are meshless

-are discretization error free  
as derivatives are approximated using AD

-same approach for all ODEs/PDEs

-gives a continuously differentiable solution  
in the domain of interest.

PINN gives a solution for an ODE/PDE

A different PINN must be created for another  
ODE/PDE or for the same ODE/PDE  
with a different parameter

### Forward problem:

Parameter  $\lambda$  in the PDE/ODE are known and the unknown  $u(x,t)$  are to be determined for the given parameter and  $f(x,t)$

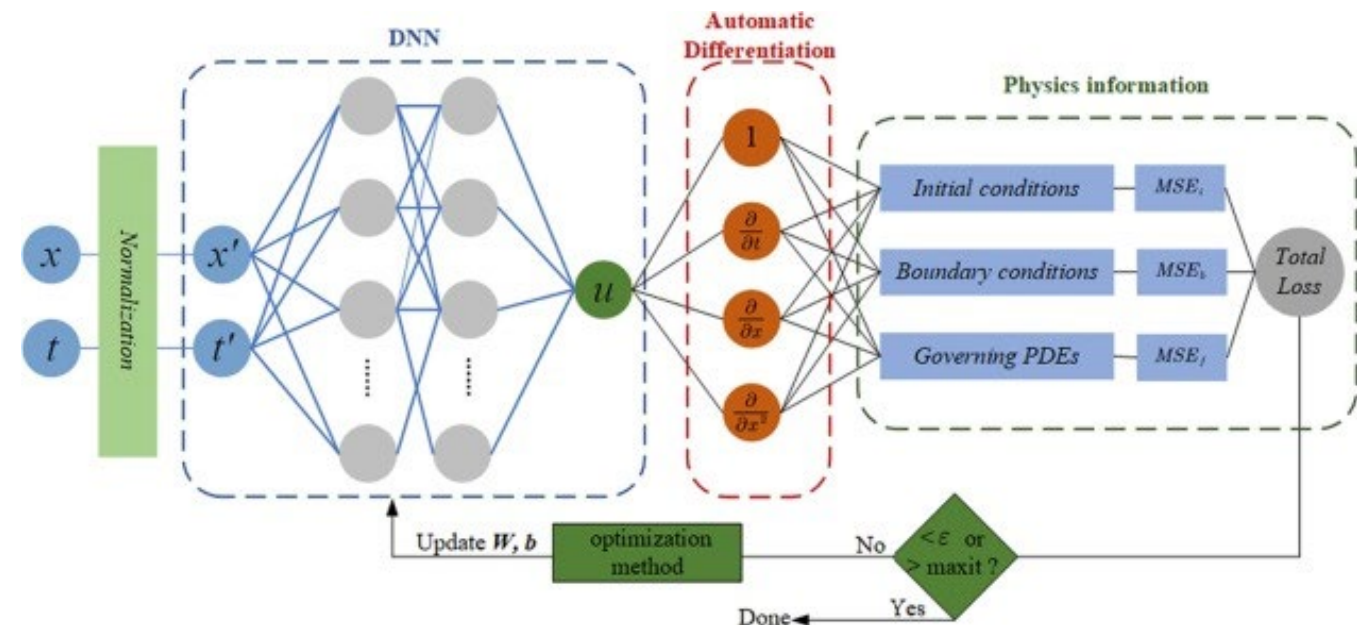
$$PDE: \quad \lambda \frac{\partial^n u(x,t)}{\partial x^n} + f(x,t) = 0$$

$\lambda$  is a parameter of the PDE

which is known for forward problem

$$BC: \quad u(0,x) = \varphi(0,t)$$

$$IC: \quad u(x,0) = g(x,0)$$



## PINNs SOLUTION OF ODE/PDE

### Inverse problem:

Discover parameters in the PDE/ODE for a desired output, i.e., *Discover PDE parameter  $\lambda$  if measured data are known.*

Note- No information on Boundary conditions/Initial conditions

Modify the original PINN so that the **PDE parameter  $\lambda$  is treated as a hyperparameter and is optimised to fit the measured data.**

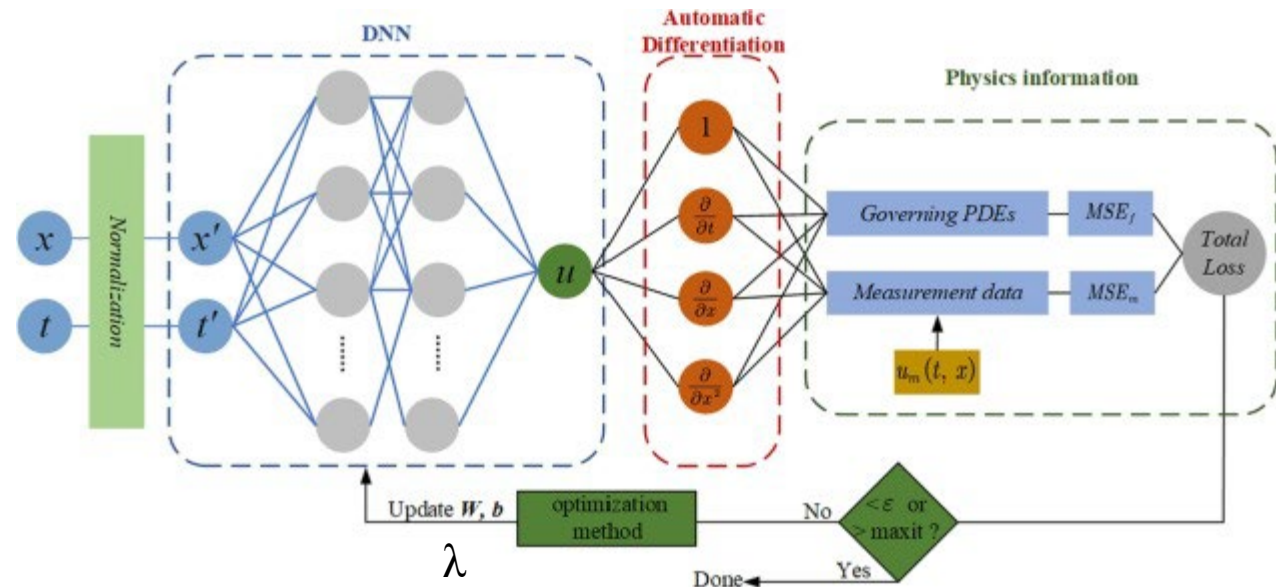
$$PDE: \quad \lambda \frac{\partial^n u(x, t)}{\partial x^n} + f(x, t) = 0$$

$\lambda$  is a parameter of the PDE

which must be **discovered for inverse problem**

$$BC: \quad u(0, x) = \varphi(0, t)$$

$$IC: \quad u(x, 0) = g(x, 0)$$



# TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS

Transfer learning is a **process of pre-training a ANN/PINN on similar data to enhance performance for a new task instead of building the PINN from scratch.**

It is an **optimization** aimed at reducing training time and improving performance for predicting outcomes of new similar tasks

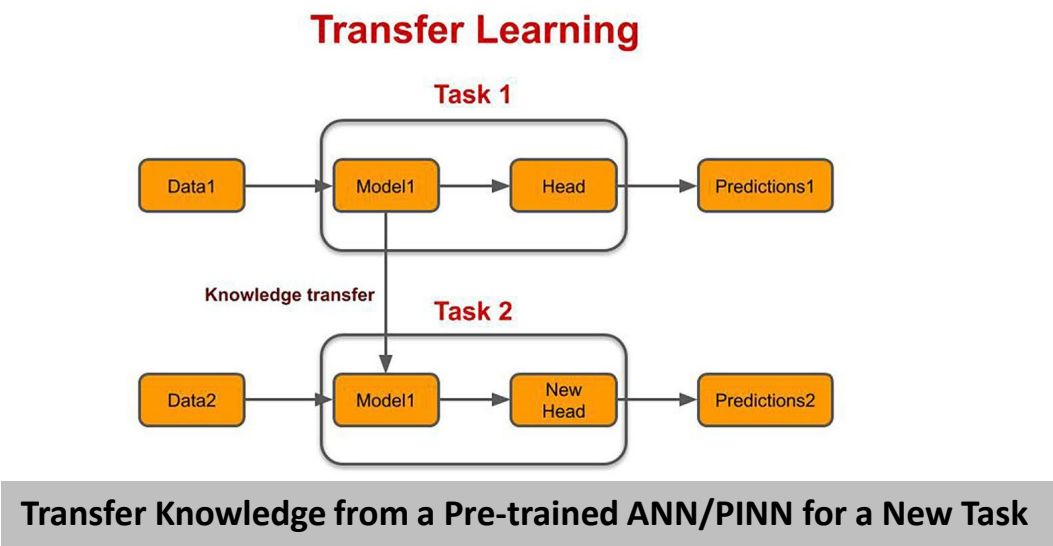
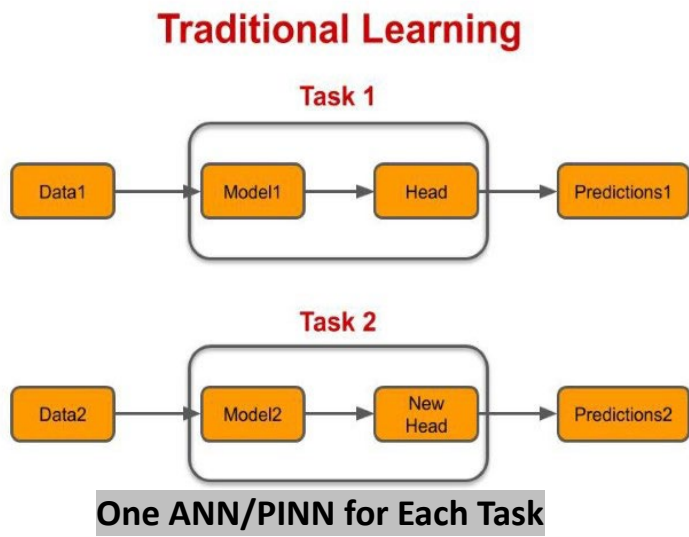
## Approaches to Transfer Learning:

### Feature Extraction TL:

Use the representations learned by a previous network to extract meaningful features from new samples and reuse this for training new network. (Only train the last layer/s of the network)

### Fine Tuning TL:

Unfreeze a few of the top layers of a frozen model based network and jointly train both the newly-added layers and the last layers of the base model. (Train the whole network)



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# TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS

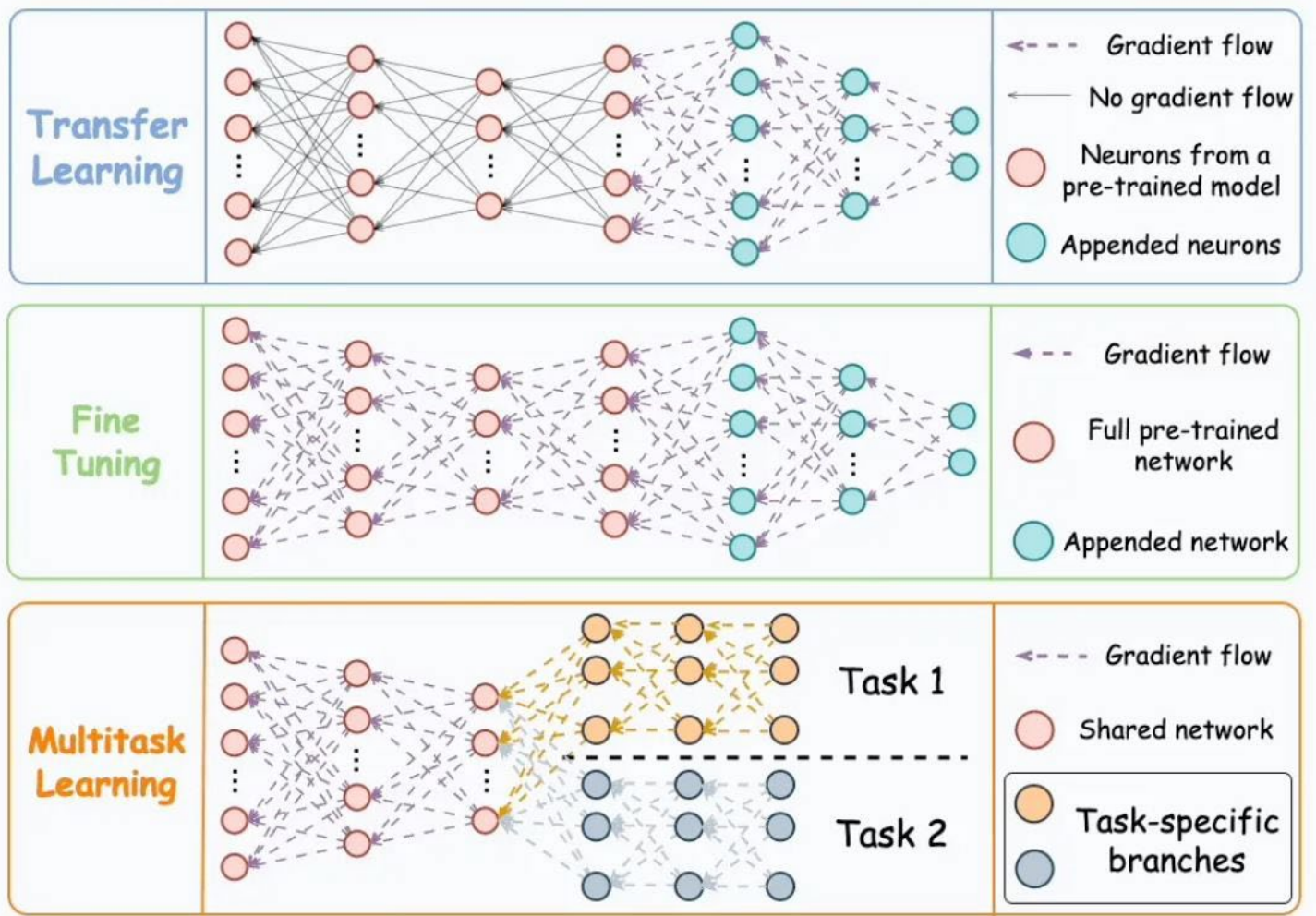


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### The Forward Propagation

$$z^1 = W^1 X + b^1$$

$$z^2 = W^2 \sigma_1(z^1) + b^2$$

...

$$z^{L-1} = W^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2}) + b^{L-1}$$

$$z^L = W^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1}) + b^L$$

$$Y = z^L$$

$$z^1 = \bar{W}^1 X$$

$$z^2 = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1)$$

...

$$z^{L-1} = \bar{W}^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2})$$

$$Y = z^L = \bar{W}^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1})$$

Consider a 2 Hidden Layer Fully Connected Neural Network:

$$z^1 = \bar{W}^1 X$$

$$z^2 = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1) = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X)$$

$$z^3 = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(z^2) = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(\bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X))$$

$$Y = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(\bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X))$$

Training of the network with known values of Y for a given X requires **optimization of weights and biases** or the **elements of the augmented weight matrix**.



ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS: ODE

The **general form** of an ***n* - th order** ODE:

$$F\left(t, \psi, \psi^{(1)}, \psi^{(2)}, \dots, \psi^{(n-1)}\right) = \psi^{(n)}$$

$\psi^{(i)} = \frac{d^{(i)}\psi}{dt^{(i)}}$  is the *i*-th derivative of the

solution  $\psi(t)$

**Non - homogeneous linear ODEs** is represented as follows:

$$\hat{D}_n \psi = f(t);$$

$$\hat{D}_n \psi = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i(t) \psi^{(i)}$$

$\hat{D}_n$  : differential operators;  $a_i(t)$  : coefficients

**Initial Conditions ICs:**

$$u_{ic} = \left[ \psi_0, \psi_0^{(1)}, \psi_0^{(2)}, \dots, \psi_0^{(n-1)} \right]^T$$

**Loss Function :**

$$\left( \hat{D}_n \psi_{\theta}(t) - f(t) \right)^2 + \left( \hat{D}_0 \psi_{\theta}(t) - \psi_{IC} \right)^2$$
$$\hat{D}_0 \psi = \left[ \psi(0), \psi^{(1)}(0), \psi^{(2)}(0), \dots, \psi^{(n-1)}(0) \right]^T$$

**Input**  $t \in \mathbb{R}^{t \times 1}$  is **transformed / mapped** to **output**  $\psi_{\theta}(t)$  via a **PINN** which uses an **ANN** parameterized by weights and biases  $\theta = [\theta_H, \theta_W, \theta_B]$  to form an approximate (PINN) solution to the ODE at time *t* as:

$$\psi(t) = H(t)_{\theta_H} W_{\theta_W} + B_{\theta_B} \approx H(t)_{\theta_H} \bar{W}_{\theta_W}$$

where  $W_{\theta_W}$  and  $B_{\theta_B}$  : network weights and biases  
 $\bar{W}_{\theta_W}$  : Augmented weight matrix absorbing the bias  $B_{\theta_B}$   
 $H(t)_{\theta_H}$  : latent space consisting of hidden layers and activation functions

# ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS: ODE

$H \in \mathbb{R}^{t \times h}$  : latent space composed of hidden layers and activation functions

## Final weights layer

$W_{\theta_w} \in \mathbb{R}^{h \times q}$  : weights

to consist of multiple outputs  $\psi(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{t \times q}$

to satisfy and train ODEs with different linear operators i.e.  $\hat{D}_n$  and different coefficients  $a_i(t)$  and different initial conditions simultaneously.

After training with multiple ODEs weights for hidden layers are frozen.

Solution at time  $\hat{t}$  :  $\psi(\hat{t}) = H(\hat{t})W_{OUT}$

$W_{OUT}$  : weights to be trained

for new sets of ICs:  $\psi'_{IC}, f'$

and differential operators,  $\hat{D}'_n$

**Loss function for new ODEs** unseen in Frozen  $H$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{DE} + \mathcal{L}_{IC} = \left( \hat{D}'_n H W_{out} - f'(t) \right)^2 + \left( \hat{D}_0 H W_{out} - \psi'_{IC} \right)^2$$

(Note that superscript ' represents new conditions and not 1st-order time derivatives)



## ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS: ODE

**Loss function for new ODEs** unseen in  $H$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{DE} + \mathcal{L}_{IC} = \left( \hat{D}'_n H W_{out} - f(t) \right)^2 + \left( \hat{D}_0 H W_{out} - \psi'_{IC} \right)^2$$

Taking derivatives of the Loss Function with respect to  $W_{OUT}$  results in:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{DE}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 2 \left( \hat{D}'_n H \right)^T \left( \hat{D}'_n H W_{OUT} - f'(t) \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{IC}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 2 \left( \bar{D}_0 H \right)^T \left( \bar{D}_0 H W_{OUT} - \psi'_{IC} \right)$$

Setting

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{DE}}{\partial W_{OUT}} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{IC}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \text{for loss to be a minimum}$$

results in

$$W_{OUT} = \left( H^T D_H'^T \hat{D}_H + H^T D_H'^T \bar{D}_H \right)^{-1} \left( H^T \bar{D}_0^T f'(t) + H^T \bar{D}_0^T \psi'_{IC} \right)$$

This result shows that for or any fixed hidden states  $H(t)$  at a fixed time  $\hat{t}$  and **if the ODE is linear**  $W_{OUT}$  can be computed analytically.

# ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS: PDEs

## A general linear 2nd - order PDE

in the  $x - t$  domain:

$$\left(D^t + D^x + D^{xt} + V(t, x)\right)\psi(x, t) = f(x, t)$$

where

$$D^t\psi = \sum_{i=1}^2 a_i(t, x)\psi_t^{(i)}$$

$$D^x\psi = \sum_{i=1}^2 b_i(t, x)\psi_x^{(i)}$$

$$D^{xt}\psi = D^{tx}\psi = c(x, t)\psi_{xt}$$

where

$a, b, c, f$  and  $V$  are continuous functions of  $x$  and  $t$ .

$$\psi_x^{(i)} = \frac{\partial^{(i)}\psi}{\partial x^{(i)}}; \psi_{xt} = \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x\partial t}$$

The **Total Loss Function**  $\mathcal{L}$  is composed of the losses associated with the PDE, IC and BC i.e.:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{PDE} + \mathcal{L}_{IC} + \mathcal{L}_{BCs}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \left(\hat{D}_n\psi - f(t, x)\right)^2 + \left(\psi(0, x) - g(x)\right)^2 + \sum_{\mu=L, R} \left(\psi(t, \mu) - B_\mu(t)\right)^2$$

where

$$\hat{D}_n = \left(D^t + D^x + D^{xt}\right) + V(t, x)$$

$B_L$  and  $B_R$  : left ( $\mu = L$ ) and right ( $\mu = R$ ) boundary conditions

$g(x)$ : initial condition at  $t = 0$

## ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS-PDEs

For the output solution  $\psi = HW_{OUT}$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 0 \Leftarrow \text{for minimising the loss}$$

Considering each component of the Loss:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{PDE}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 2H^T \hat{D}^T (\hat{D}HW_{OUT} - f(t, x))$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{IC}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 2H_0^T (H_0W_{OUT} - g(0, x))$$

where  $H_0 = H(0, x)$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{BC}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = \sum_{\mu=L,R} 2H_\mu^T (H_\mu W_{OUT} - B_\mu(t))$$

where  $H_\mu = H(t, \mu)$

assuming Dirichelet BCs here

It can be shown that  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial W_{OUT}} = 0$  results in

$$W_{OUT} = \left( H^T \hat{D}^T \hat{D} H + \sum_{\mu=0,L,R} H_\mu^T H_\mu \right)^{-1} \left( H^T \hat{D}^T f(t, x) + \sum_{\mu=0,L,R} H_\mu^T Q_\mu(t, x) \right)$$

$Q_0 = g(x) \Leftarrow$  initial condition

$Q_L = B_L(t) \Leftarrow$  Left Boundary Condition

$Q_R = B_R(t) \Leftarrow$  Right Boundary Condition

For linear 2nd Order PDEs

it is possible to determine the

weight analytically and hence the solution to the PDE

## ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS for PDEs

Consider a given PDE:

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = g(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega$$

$\mathcal{D}$  : Differential Operator in  $\Omega$

$\mathcal{B}$  : Boundary Operator on  $\partial\Omega$

**Neural Network Surrogate for  $\mathbf{u}$  :**

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = \textcolor{red}{Y} = \sigma_3 \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2 (\bar{W}^2 \sigma_1 (\bar{W}^1 \textcolor{red}{X}))$$

$$\theta = \{\bar{W}^3, \bar{W}^2, \bar{W}^1\}$$

with activation functions  $\sigma_3 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_1 = \sigma(x)$

Interior Training Samples:  $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^{n_I}$

Initial/Boundary Samples:  $\{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i\}_{i=1}^{n_b}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Loss Function: } \mathcal{L} = & \frac{\lambda}{2n_I} \sum_{i=1}^{n_I} \left\| \mathcal{D}[\phi(\mathbf{x}_i; \theta), \mathbf{x}_i] - f(\mathbf{x}_i) \right\|_2^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2n_b} \sum_{j=1}^{n_b} \left\| \mathcal{B}[\phi(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j; \theta), \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j] - g(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j) \right\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda > 0$  : hyperparameter for balancing the 2 contributions

$$\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}$$

Network solves a single PDE,

i.e. one Neural Network to one PDE

even if PDEs may be similar and shared information with base pre-trained NN exists.

# ONE-SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR ODEs and PDEs

Consider a class of PDEs with different  $f_\varepsilon$  and  $g_\varepsilon$  :

i.e.,

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = \{f_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})\}_\varepsilon, \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = \{g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})\}_\varepsilon, \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega$$

Note:  $\varepsilon$  is a parameter which changes for different PDEs

**Approximate PINN solution**  $\phi(\mathbf{x}; \theta_\varepsilon)$  for a specific  $\varepsilon$   
**shares some of the network parameters** i.e.,  $\{\bar{\mathbf{W}}^2, \bar{\mathbf{W}}^1, \mathbf{b}^3\}$

**from a pre-trained model**  $\phi(\mathbf{x}; \theta_\varepsilon)$  for a given  $\varepsilon$

keeping  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^2, \bar{\mathbf{W}}^1$  and the bias  $\mathbf{b}^3$  **associated with  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^3$  frozen** and  
leaving only the weight  $\mathbf{W}^3$  **associated with  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^3$  to be trained**  
for other  $\varepsilon$ .

This is what **one-shot transfer learning** accomplishes.

Example PDE:

$$\frac{\partial u(t, \mathbf{x})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} a(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial u(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = f_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) \text{ in } (0, 1) \cup \Omega$$

$$u(t, \mathbf{x}) = g_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) \text{ on } (0, 1) \cup \partial\Omega$$

$$u(0, \mathbf{x}) = h_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$a(\mathbf{x}) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2$$

$$u_{EXACT} = u_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) = e^{(\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \sqrt{1-t} + \varepsilon(1-t))}$$

$u_\varepsilon, f_\varepsilon, g_\varepsilon$  and  $h_\varepsilon$  are differentiable w.r.t.  $\varepsilon$

Set  $f_\varepsilon, g_\varepsilon$  and  $h_\varepsilon$  to be  $u_\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) = e^{(\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \sqrt{1-t} + \varepsilon(1-t))}$

Pre-train the neural network with  $\varepsilon=0$

Then use transfer learning for other  $\varepsilon = 0.5, 2.0, \dots$

## Reference:

**Paper:** Shaan Desai, Marios Mattheakis, Hayden Joy, Pavlos Protopapas, and Stephen Roberts., "One-shot transfer learning of physics-informed neural Networks". *ICML AI4Science Workshop*, 2022. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.11286>

**Codes:** <https://github.com/shaandesai1/TransferDE>

## SVD TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR ODEs and PDEs

Consider a class of PDEs with different  $f_\varepsilon$  and  $g_\varepsilon$  :

*i.e.*,

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = \{f_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})\}_\varepsilon, \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}) = \{g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})\}_\varepsilon, \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega$$

A **finite difference** or a **finite volume discretization** of a linear PDE

will result in a system of algebraic equations of the form  $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$

where matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is the discretization of the operators  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$

The **SVD** of matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is:  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{b}$$

$\mathbf{A}^\dagger$  : **pseudo-inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$**

$\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  : **bases of  $\mathbf{A}$**   $\simeq \bar{\mathbf{W}}^2 = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$

$\mathbf{\Sigma}$  : Diagonal matrix of Singular Values of  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^2$

Freeze  $\{\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}\}$  for  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^2$

including the bias term associated with  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}_3$

Trainable parameters:  $\{\mathbf{\Sigma}, \bar{\mathbf{W}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{W}}_1, \mathbf{b}_3\}$



## SVD TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR ODEs and PDEs

Consider a 3 Hidden Layer Fully Connected Neural Network with 2 hidden layers

$$z^1 = \bar{W}^1 X$$

$$z^2 = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1) = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X)$$

$$z^3 = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(z^2) = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(\bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X))$$

$$Y = z^3 = \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(\bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 X))$$

Freeze  $\{\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}\}$  for  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}^2$  based on output  $\theta_\varepsilon$  including the bias term associated with  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}_3$

Trainable parameters:

$$\{\Sigma, \bar{\mathbf{W}}_3, \bar{\mathbf{W}}_1, \mathbf{b}_3\}$$

$\Sigma$ : singular values of  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}_2$

Instead of training  $\bar{\mathbf{W}}_2$ , train its singular values

During training (optimization of loss function) a constraint is imposed to ensure that singular values of  $\Sigma$  are always  $> 0$ .

Hence training of singular values become a constrained optimization problem.

### Reference:

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MULTI-HEAD TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR ODEs and PDEs: L-HYDRA

ODE / PDE :  $\mathcal{F}_k \left[ u_k \left( x \right) \right] = f_k \left( x \right), x \in \Omega_k$

Boundary/Initial Condition:  $\mathcal{B}_k \left[ u_k \left( x \right) \right] = b_k \left( x \right), x \in \partial \Omega_k$

$x$  : spatio-temporal coordinates of  $D_u$  dimensions

$\mathcal{F}_k$  : General Differential Operators

$\mathcal{B}_k$  : General Boundary/Initial Condition terms

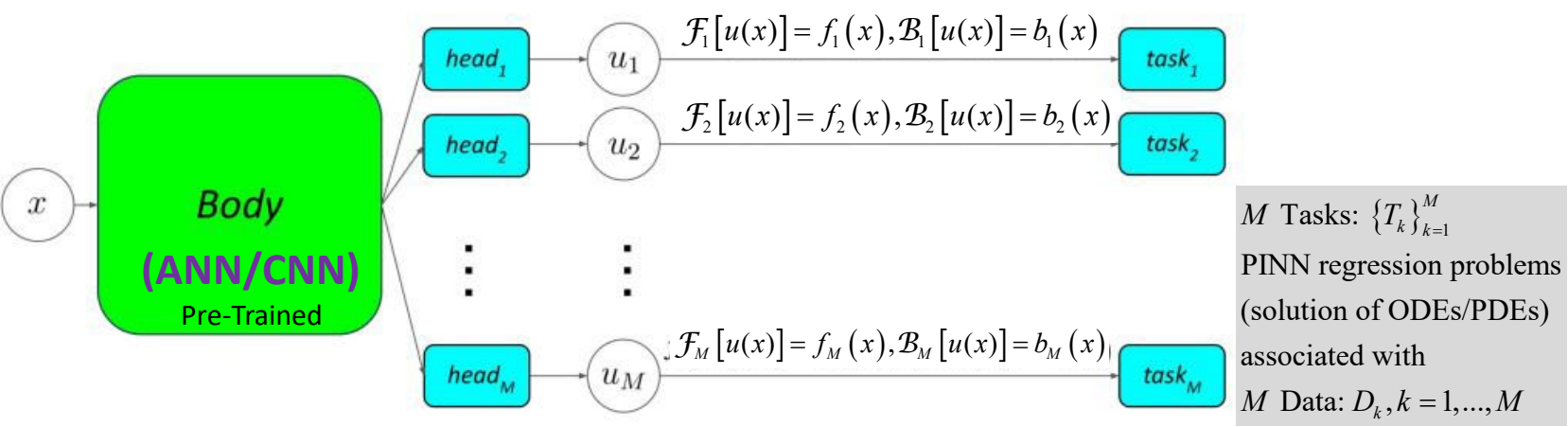


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“L-HYDRA: Multi-Head Physics-Informed Neural Networks”,  
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Neural Networks can be split into a body and multiple heads as shown resulting in Multi-Head PINNs or MH-PINNs

**Body** could be the *nonlinear* portion of the feed forward neural network while the **head** could be the *last linear layer* of the network or a few last layers of the network.

**Body** could be a *convolutional* neural network and the **head** could be a *feed forward* neural network.

**Body :**  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^{D_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^L$

$D_x$  : spatial-temporal dimensions

$$\Phi(x) = [\phi^1(x), \phi^2(x), \dots, \phi^L(x)]^T$$

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^{D_x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

function parametrized by the neural network  
with parameter  $\theta$   
and

**Head :**  $H_k \in \mathbb{R}^{L+1}$ ,

$$H_k = [h_k^0, h_k^1, \dots, h_k^L]^T$$

is the number of neurons in the last layer of the Body.

The approximate solution is then given as:

$$\hat{u}_k = h_k^0 + \sum_{l=1}^L h_k^l \phi^l(x) \text{ for all } x \in \Omega$$

Conventional PINN solves  
each task independently of each other.  
Hence the  $M$  solutions are uncorrelated.

If the  $M$  Tasks:  $\{T_k\}_{k=1}^M$  are treated  
together and connected to the MH-PINNs  
then solutions are correlated as the body  
provides a set of basis functions for  $u_k$

## Loss Function:

$$L\left(\left\{D_k^f\right\}_{k=1}^M;\theta,\left\{H_k\right\}_{k=1}^M\right)=\frac{1}{M}\sum_{k=1}^ML_k\left(D_k;\theta,H_k\right)$$

where

$$D_k=\left\{D_k^f,D_k^b,D_k^u\right\}$$

$$D_k^f=\left\{x_k^i,f_k^i\right\}_{i=1}^{N_k^f},D_k^b=\left\{x_k^i,b_k^i\right\}_{i=1}^{N_k^b}$$

$$D_k^u=\left\{x_k^i,u_k^i\right\}_{i=1}^{N_k^u}\text{ are the sparse sensor data that is available for }T_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_k\left(D_k;\theta,H_k\right)=&\frac{\omega_k^f}{N_k^f}\sum_{i=1}^{N_k^f}\left\|F_k\left(\hat{u}_k\left(x_k^i\right)\right)-f_k^i\right\|^2+\frac{\omega_k^b}{N_k^b}\sum_{i=1}^{N_k^b}\left\|B_k\left(\hat{u}_k\left(x_k^i\right)\right)-b_k^i\right\|^2 \\ &+\frac{\omega_k^u}{N_k^u}\sum_{i=1}^{N_k^u}\left\|\hat{u}_k\left(x_k^i\right)-u_k\left(x_k^i\right)\right\|^2+R\left(\theta,H_k\right) \end{aligned}$$

$R\left(\theta,H_k\right)$ : Regularisation to mitigate overfitting

$\omega_k^f;\omega_k^b$  and  $\omega_k^u$  are the weights to balance the various loss terms

$\|\bullet\|$ : norm such as 2-norm or any other.

## ONE SHOT TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR ODEs and PDEs

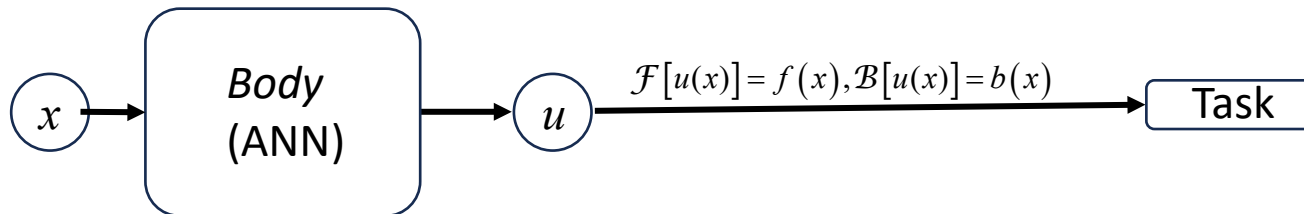
**ODE / PDE :**  $\mathcal{F}[u(x)] = f(x), x \in \Omega$

Boundary/Initial Condition:  $\mathcal{B}[u(x)] = b(x), x \in \partial\Omega$

$x$  : spatio-temporal coordinates of D dimensions

$\mathcal{F}$  : General Differential Operators

$\mathcal{B}$  : General Boundary/Initial Condition terms



The **one-shot transfer learning in PINNs** could be viewed as a MH-PINN in the sense that

the **heads** were used to **pre-train the PINN with similar ODEs/PDEs , BCs and Ics** and after that the heads were abandoned

and

the **body with all the pre-trained information is retained and used in transfer learning for new unseen but similar ODEs/PDEs with different BCs/ICs**

## Example :

Consider Solving a 2D Poisson Equation in a unit square domain i.e.,

$$\nabla^2 u(x, y) = f(x, y); (x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

with Dirichelet Boundary Conditions

$$u(0, y) = u(1, y) = u(x, 0) = u(x, 1) = 0$$

$\tilde{u}$  : PINN solution

$$\tilde{u} = [\bar{W}^L \sigma_{L-1}(\bar{W}^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(\cdots \sigma_1(\bar{W}^1 \mathbf{x})))]$$

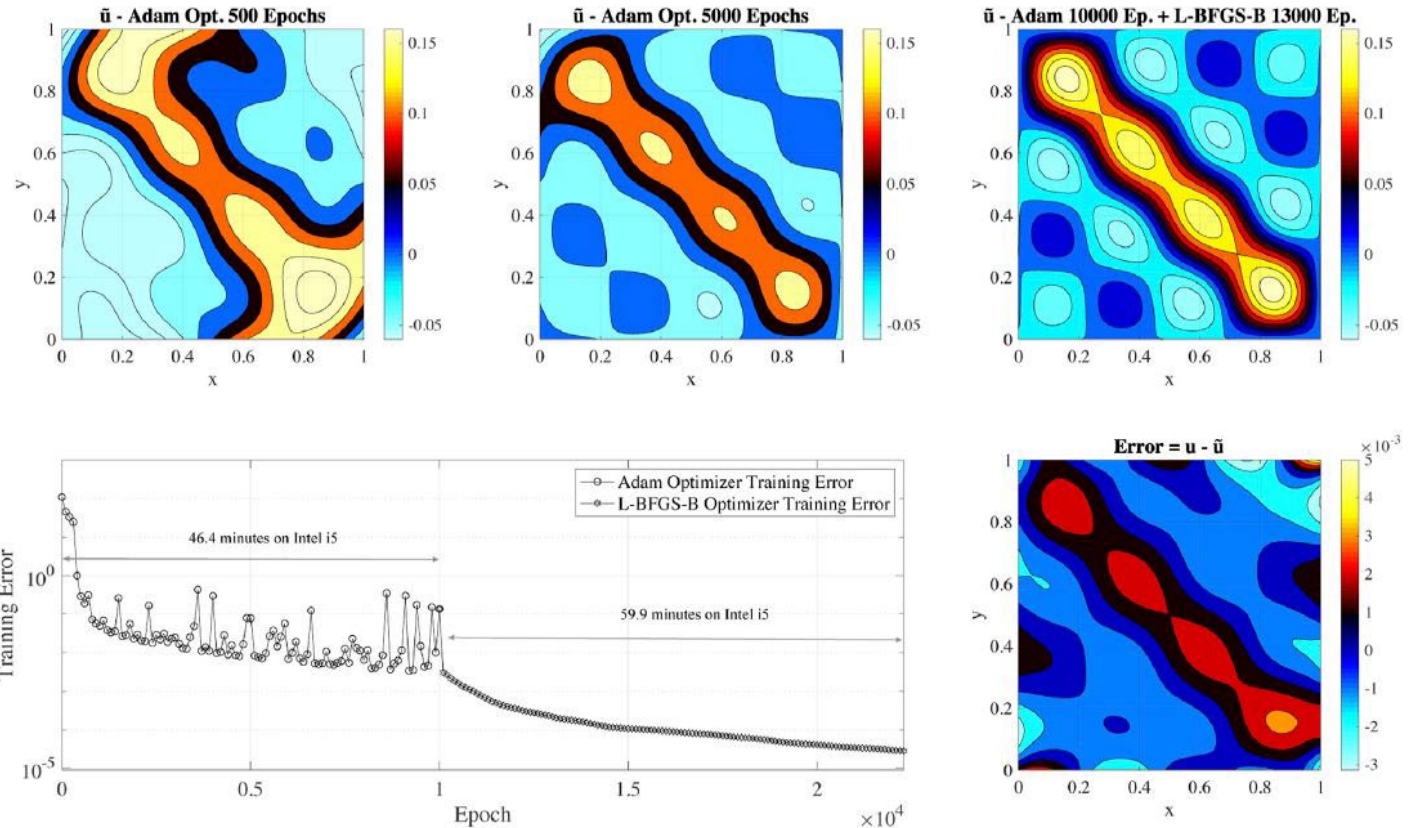
Residual:  $r = \nabla^2 \tilde{u}(x, y) - f(x, y)$

$$\text{Loss Function: } \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{N_{x_i, y_i}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{x_i, y_i}} \|r(x_i, y_i)\|^2$$

**Network** has 4 Hidden Layers with 50 neurons per layer and  $\sigma$  is the tanh activation function.  $128 \times 128$  collocation points and 4000 points on the boundary

Optimise the Loss Function to obtain the solution for a given  $f(x, y)$

$$\text{Consider a smooth function: } f(x, y) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^4 (-1)^{k+1} 2k \sin(k\pi x) \sin(k\pi y)$$



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Consider another smooth function:

$$f(x, y) = 10x(x-1)(y-1) - 2\sin(\pi x)\sin(\pi y) + 5(2\pi x \sin(\pi y))$$

Transfer Learning from the PINN of the earlier smooth function PINN to the current case.

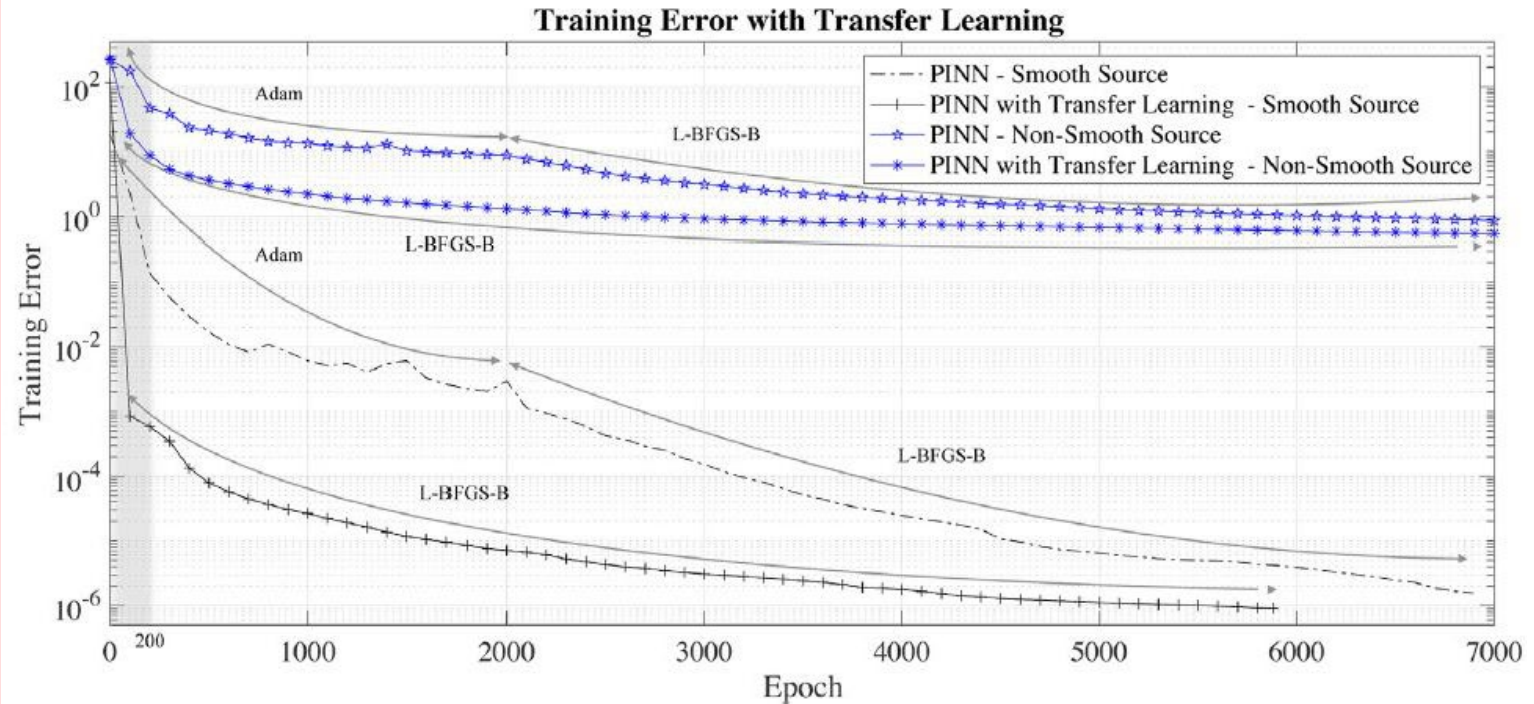
Consider a non-smooth function i.e.,

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{everywhere} \\ 1 & (x-0.5)^2 + (y-0.5)^2 \leq 0.2 \end{cases}$$

Consider another non-smooth function i.e.,

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{everywhere} \\ -10 & (x-0.7)^2 + (y-0.7)^2 \leq 0.1 \end{cases}$$

Transfer Learning from the PINN of the earlier non-smooth function PINN to the current case



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## Euler-Implicit Transfer Learning

### Consider the 1 - D Viscous Burger's Eqn

$$u_t + uu_x = \nu u_{xx}, (t, x) \in (0, t_f) \times (0, 1)$$

$$u(0, x) = u_0(x), x \in [0, 1]$$

$$u(t, 0) = u(t, 1) = 0, t \in [0, t_f]$$

$\hat{u}(x, t)$ : Solution Using PINN

Most of the attempts for the PINN solution scattered the neurons in the entire  $x - t$  domain of interest and obtained the solution by optimisation of the PINN loss function.

### Consider Backward Euler or Euler - Implicit Scheme:

Refresher for Finite Difference Schemes for 1-D PDEs:  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Backward\\_Euler\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Backward_Euler_method)

$$\hat{u}^{(0)}(x) = u_0(x) \quad \Leftarrow \text{initial condition}$$

$$\hat{u}^{(k)} = \hat{u}^{(k-1)} + h_t \left( \nu \hat{u}_{xx}^{(k)} - \hat{u}^{(k)} \hat{u}_x^{(k)} \right)$$

$$\hat{u}^{(k)}(0) = \hat{u}^{(k)}(1) = 0 \quad \Leftarrow \text{boundary conditions}$$

$$u^{(k)}(x) \approx u(t^{(k)}, x) \text{ at each time } t^{(k)} = kh_t,$$

$$\text{where } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n_t \text{ and time step size: } h_t = \frac{1}{n_t}$$

## Euler-Implicit Transfer Learning

Train PINN from Initial Condition :

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{s=1}^{n_s} \left\| \hat{u}^{(0)}(x_s) - u_0(x_s) \right\|^2$$

for  $n_s$  collocation points/samples  $0 \leq x_s \leq 1$

**Transfer the knowledge from PINN network  $\mathcal{N}^{(k-1)}$  to PINN Network  $\mathcal{N}^{(k)}$**

$$\mathcal{N}^{(k)} \leftarrow \mathcal{N}^{(k-1)}$$

Then train the  $\mathcal{N}^{(k)}$  by minimizing the loss function

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{n_s - 2} \sum \left\| \hat{u}^{(k)} - \hat{u}^{(k-1)} - h_t \left( \nu \hat{u}_{xx}^{(k)} - \hat{u}^{(k)} \hat{u}_x^{(k)} \right) \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \left\| \hat{u}^{(k)}(0) \right\|^2 + \left\| \hat{u}^{(k)}(1) \right\|^2 \right)$$

**Reset / Update** index  $k$

**Repeat** knowledge transfer i.e.,  $\mathcal{N}^{(k)} \leftarrow \mathcal{N}^{(k-1)}$  and minimization of

Loss Function  $\mathcal{L}$  for updated index  $k$

**Consider Backward Euler or Euler - Implicit Scheme:**

$$\hat{u}^{(0)}(x) = u_0(x) \quad \Leftarrow \text{initial condition}$$

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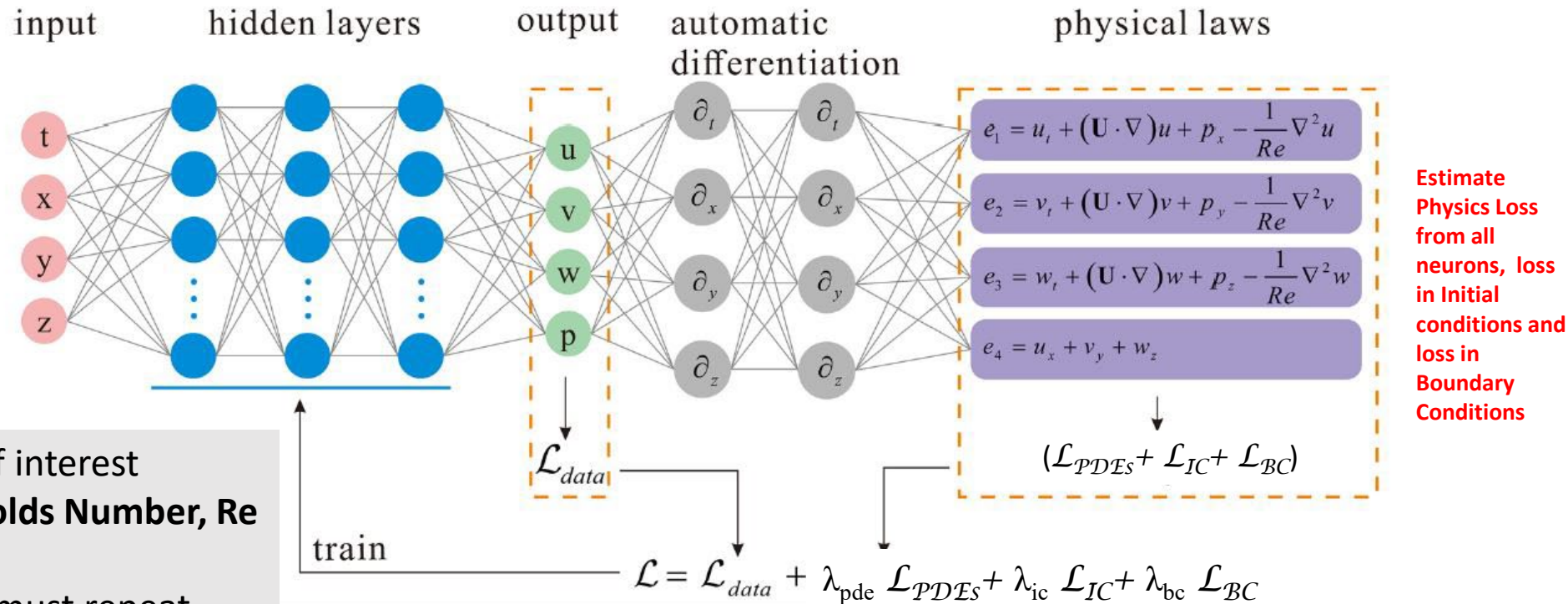
This approach results in a sequence of PINNs each giving an estimate of  $\hat{u}^{(k)}(x) \approx u(t^{(k)}, x)$

Storage is reduced as only  $\mathcal{N}^{(k)}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^{(k-1)}$  needs to be stored.

**Paper:** Vitória Biesek, Pedro Henrique de Almeida Konzen, "Burgers' PINNs with Implicit Euler Transfer Learning" <https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.15343>  
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# TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR FLOW PREDICTION

## PINN FOR 3D INCOMPRESSIBLE NAVIER-STOKES EQUATIONS



The parameter of interest here is the **Reynolds Number, Re**

For each **Re** one must repeat the same PINN prediction

Image Source: Hongping Wang, Yi Liu and Shizhao Wang, "Dense velocity reconstruction from particle image velocimetry/particle tracking velocimetry using a physics-informed neural network" (<https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0078143>) (Adapted and Modified)

**Question:** Can a pre-trained PINN for a task be used to generate predictions for a new task?

## PINN FOR 3D INCOMPRESSIBLE NAVIER-STOKES EQUATIONS

The parameter of interest here is **the Reynolds Number, Re**

For each **Re** one must repeat the same PINN prediction.

Use **Transfer Learning** to overcome this inflexibility

1. **Set up Tasks for say**

Re=10, 100, 500, 1000, 4000, 12000

2. Choose a **base task**, say Re=100, use PINN from scratch and once converged

the PINN can be used to predict flow field for Re=100

3. **Use the converged weights and biases from the pre-trained**

Re=100 **base task** PINN wholly (all hidden layers) or partly (restricted to initial hidden layers) of the pre-trained Re=100 PINN for training the new **target task** say Re=10 or Re=500

#### The Forward Propagation

$$z^1 = W^1 X + b^1$$

$$z^2 = W^2 \sigma_1(z^1) + b^2$$

...

$$z^{L-1} = W^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2}) + b^{L-1}$$

$$z^L = W^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1}) + b^L$$

$$Y = z^L$$

$$z^1 = \bar{W}^1 X$$

$$z^2 = \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1)$$

...

$$z^{L-1} = \bar{W}^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2})$$

$$z^L = \bar{W}^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1})$$

$$Y^L = z^L$$

Training of the network with known values of Y for a given X requires **optimization of weights and biases** or the **elements of the augmented weight matrix**.



$$\begin{aligned}
 z^1 &= \bar{W}^1 X \\
 z^2 &= \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1) \\
 z^3 &= \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(z^2) \\
 &\vdots \\
 z^{N_T} &= \bar{W}^{N_T} \sigma_{N_T-1}(z^{N_T-1}) \\
 &\vdots \\
 z^{L-1} &= \bar{W}^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2}) \\
 z^L &= \bar{W}^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1}) \\
 Y^L &= \sigma_{L-1}(z^L)
 \end{aligned}$$

$N_T$  layers of base  
transferred  
to  $N_T$  of target



## TARGET TASK

$$\begin{aligned}
 z^1 &= \bar{W}^1 X \\
 z^2 &= \bar{W}^2 \sigma_1(z^1) \\
 z^3 &= \bar{W}^3 \sigma_2(z^2) \\
 &\vdots \\
 z^{N_T} &= \bar{W}^{N_T} \sigma_{N_T-1}(z^{N_T-1}) \\
 z^{N_T+1} &= \bar{W}^{N_T+1} \sigma_{N_T}(z^{N_T}) \\
 &\vdots \\
 z^{L-1} &= \bar{W}^{L-1} \sigma_{L-2}(z^{L-2}) \\
 z^L &= \bar{W}^L \sigma_{L-1}(z^{L-1}) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

Transfer pre-trained parameters  
(Weights and Biases) of 1st  $N_T$  **Base Task**  
starting from the 1st hidden layer  
for re-use as parameters for the 1st  $N_T$   
hidden layers for the **Target Task**.

$N_T$  : parameter for using part or whole  
of the pre-trained network parameters

## BASE TASK

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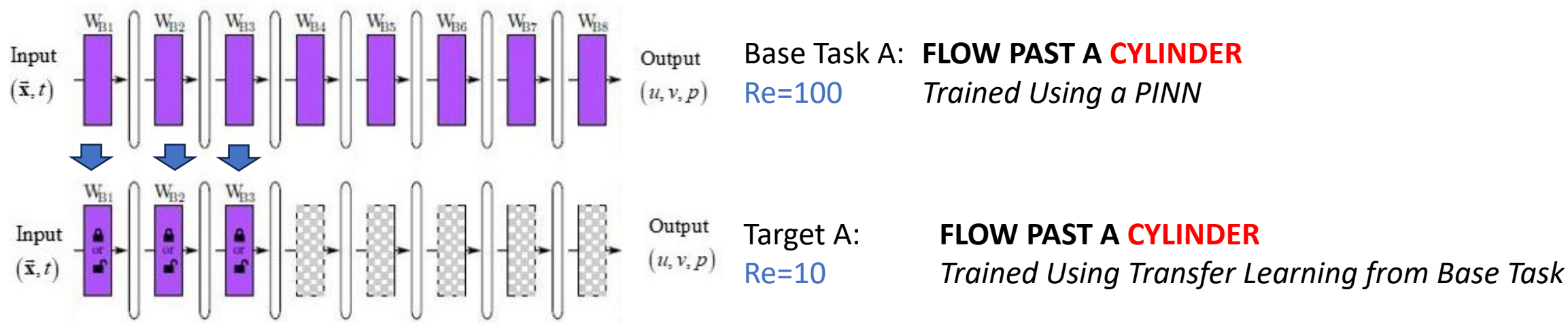
Parameters of 1 to  $N_T$  hidden layers of the Target Task transferred from the base task **are kept frozen during the backpropagation / optimisation** of parameters of the target task

Parameters of  $N_{T+1}$  to  $L$  hidden layers for the Target Task are computed via backpropagation following gradient descent optimization while **freezing the parameters transferred from base task to target task**

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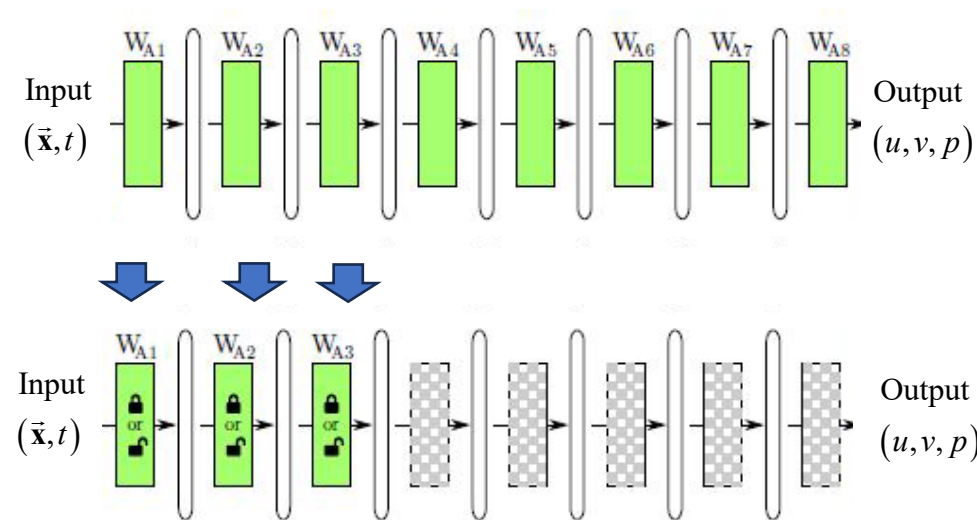
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Parameters of 1 to  $N_T$  hidden layers of the **Target Task** transferred from the **Base task** are **kept frozen** during the backpropagation/optimisation of parameters of the **target task**

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**Base Task A :** FLOW PAST AN **AIRFOIL**  
*Re=100*      *Trained Using a PINN*

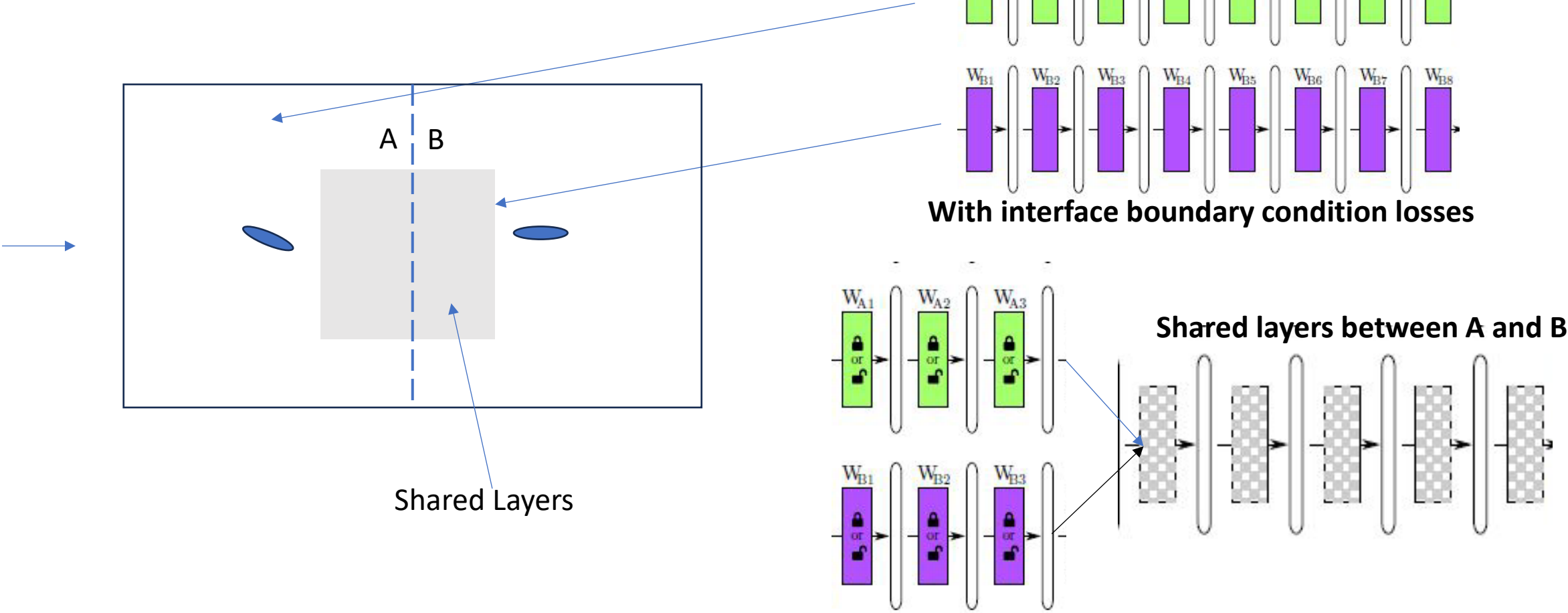
**Target Task B:** FLOW PAST A **CYLINDER**  
*Re=100*      *Trained Using Transfer Learning from Base Task*

Parameters of 1 to  $N_T$  hidden layers of the **Target Task** i.e., (**Flow Past a Cylinder**) transferred from the **Base task** i.e., (**Flow past an Airfoil**) are kept frozen during the backpropagation/optimisation of parameters of the target task

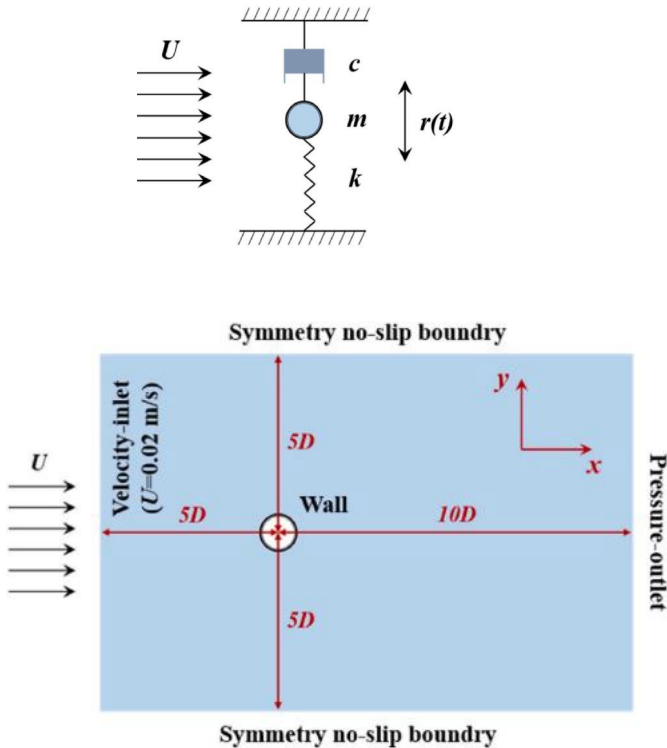
Parameters of  $N_{T+1}$  to  $L$  hidden layers for the **Target Task** are computed via backpropagation following gradient descent optimization while freezing the parameters transferred from base task to target task. Alternative is to do fine-tuning transfer learning i.e., backpropagate to all layers

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Considered **XPINNs/CPINNS/DPINNS** in **Lecture PINN03**

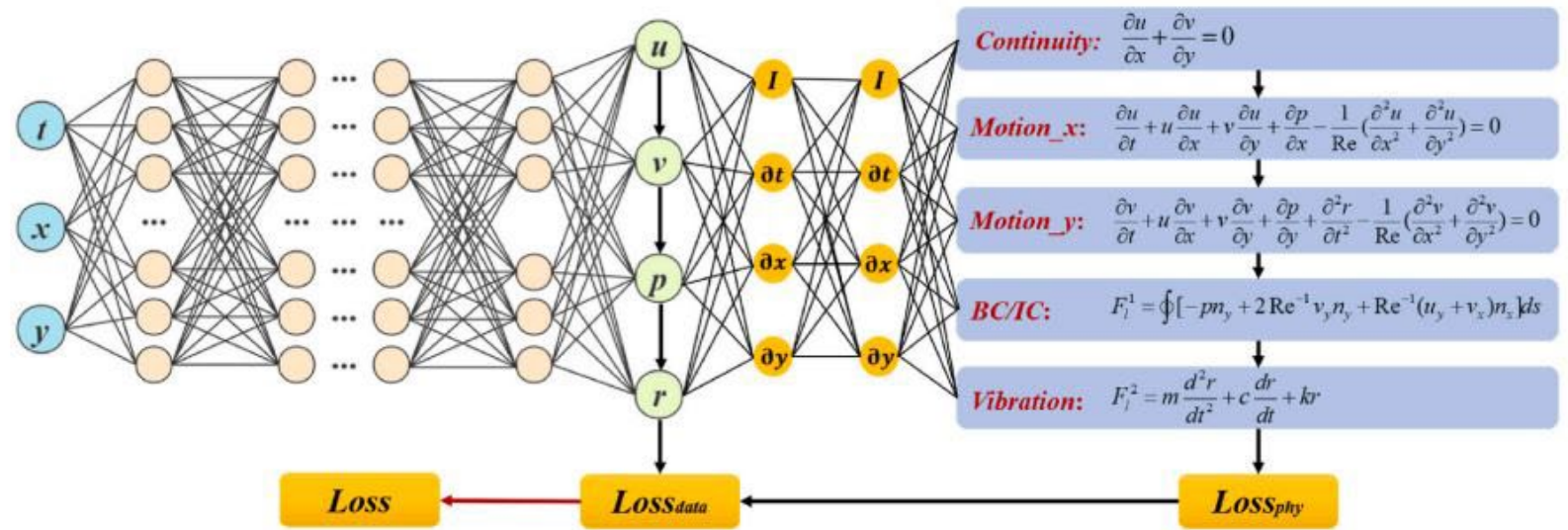


# TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR FLOW PREDICTION



## Flow Prediction of Vortex-Induced Vibration Using Conventional PINN

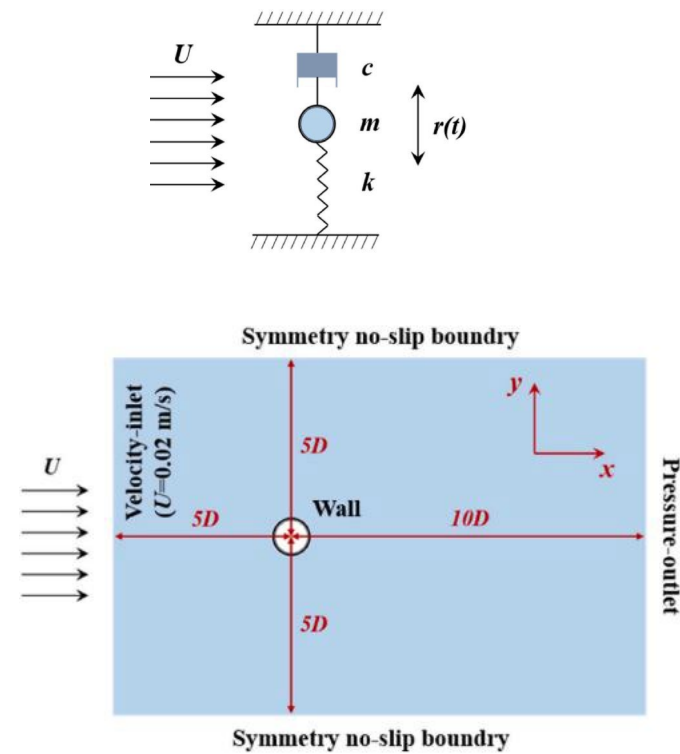
Unsteady Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations for Unsteady Flow past a Cylinder in Vertical Oscillation



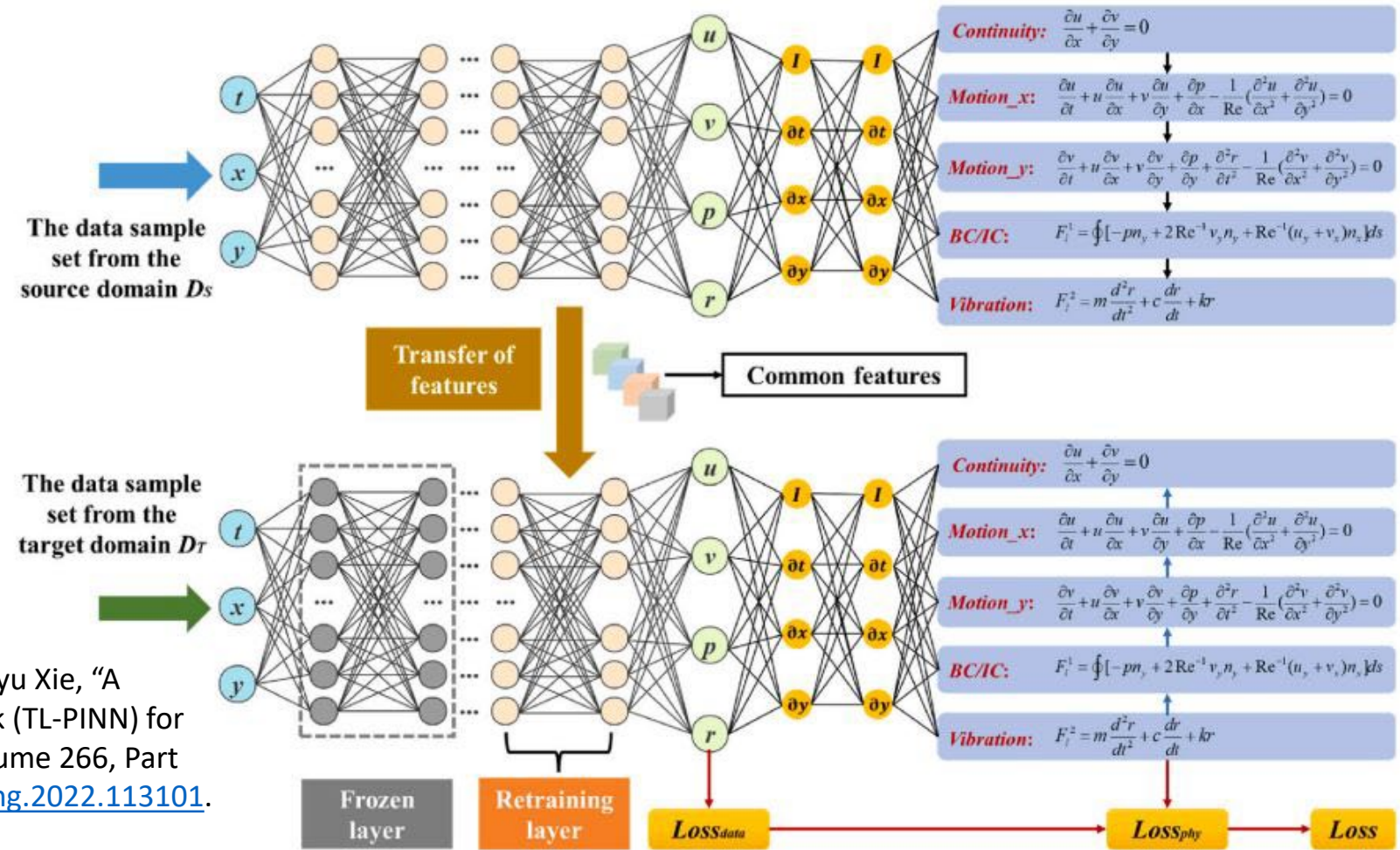
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## Flow Prediction of Vortex-Induced Vibration Using Transfer Learning in a PINN



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Note: Transfer Learning is used to reconstruct solutions on a sequence of samples halved sequentially from the PINN samples.

The settings of the 4 cases.

Case	The number of spatial points in the target domain	Training model
Case 1	14400 (1)	PINN
Case 2	7200 (1/2)	TL-PINN
Case 3	3600 (1/4)	TL-PINN
Case 4	1800 (1/8)	TL-PINN

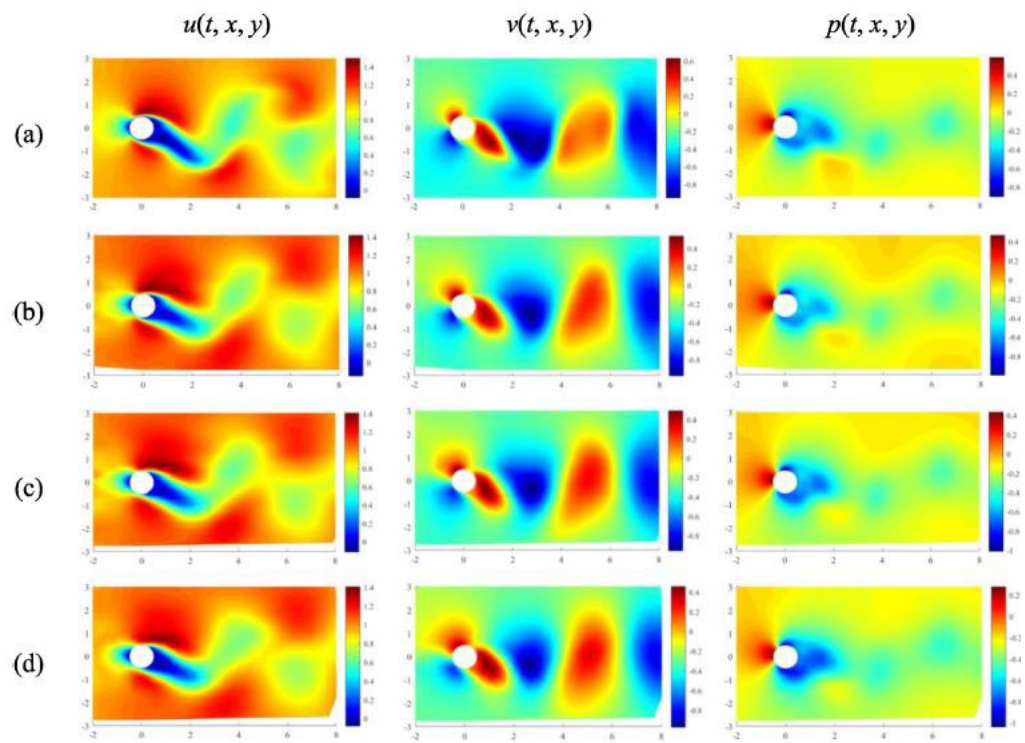


Fig. 18. The reproduced results of flow field information at 13 s by different cases. (a) Case 1; (b) Case 2; (c) Case 3; (d) Case 4.

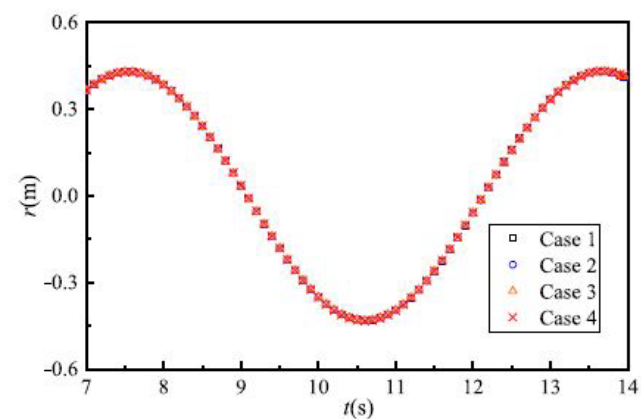


Fig. 19. The vibration displacement of the cylinder.

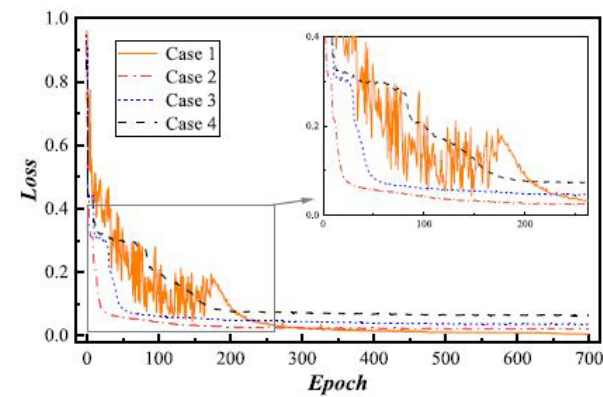


Fig. 17. The loss function of different cases during training.

Table 10  
The training time of different cases.

Case	Epoch	Time (h)
Case 1	700	48.7
Case 2	700	22.9
Case 3	700	10.3
Case 4	700	5.4

Transfer Learning generally improves the rate of convergence and reduces the computational effort and storage

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# TRANSFER LEARNING IN PINNS FOR 3D INCOMPRESSIBLE NAVIER-STOKES USING THE L-HYDRA CONCEPT ?

