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*Master in Artificial Intelligence and Robotics*

# **Data-driven identification of a one-link robot with flexible joint**

*Lagrangian Neural Network applied to elastic robots*

**Course: Robotics 2**

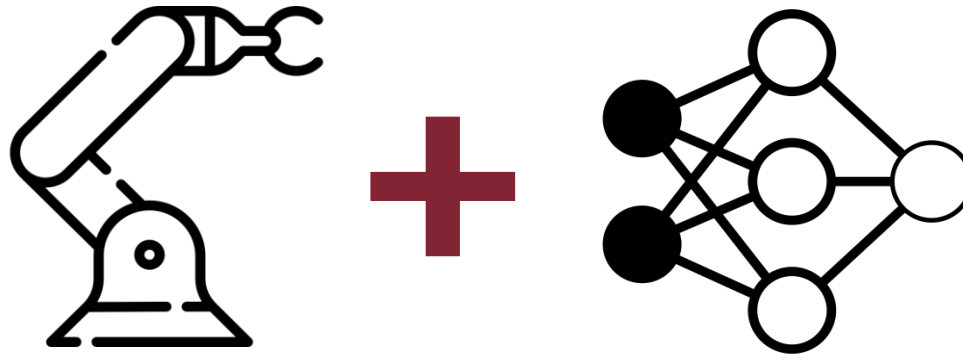
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- Robot dynamic model
  - Relationship between applied forces and motion
  - D'Alembert, Hamilton
- Euler-Lagrange equations
  - Modeling and control
  - Symbolic form equations of motions
- Modeling systems ➡ Neural networks ➡ Lagrangian NN





## Lagrangian

$$L(q, \dot{q}) = T(q, \dot{q}) - U(q)$$

- Kinetic  $T(q, \dot{q})$  and potential  $U(q)$  energy
- Generalized coordinates  $q \in \mathbb{R}^N$ 
  - $N$  = robot DOF

## Euler-Lagrange equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = u_i \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

- Non-conservative forces  $u_i$ 
  - Considered null in our application



## Parametric Lagrangian

$$\ddot{q} = (\nabla_{\dot{q}} \nabla_{\dot{q}}^T L)^{-1} [\nabla_q L - (\nabla_q \nabla_{\dot{q}}^T L) \dot{q}]$$

- Lagrangian analytical expression not always known
- Alternative approach
  - Learning L + Automatic differentiation



*1R robot with y-axis agreeing with gravity*

**Dynamic Model:**

$$(I + md^2)\ddot{q} + mg_0d \sin(q) = 0$$

**Acceleration:**

$$\ddot{q} = -\frac{1}{I + md^2} mg_0d \sin(q)$$

- Coriolis and Centrifugal term not present
  - One single link
  - Contribute to the joint when it is moving is null



*1R robot with y-axis agreeing with gravity*

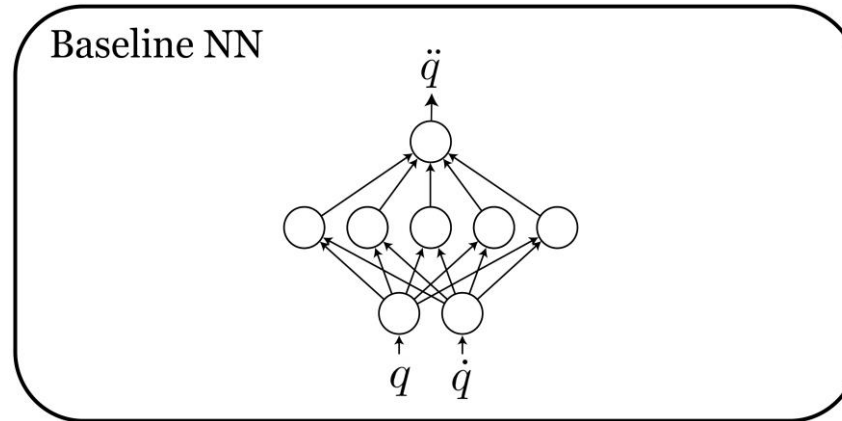
**Dynamic model:**

$$\begin{cases} (I + md^2)\ddot{q} + mg_0d \sin(q) + k(q - \theta) = 0 \\ I_m\ddot{\theta} + k(\theta - q) = 0 \end{cases}$$

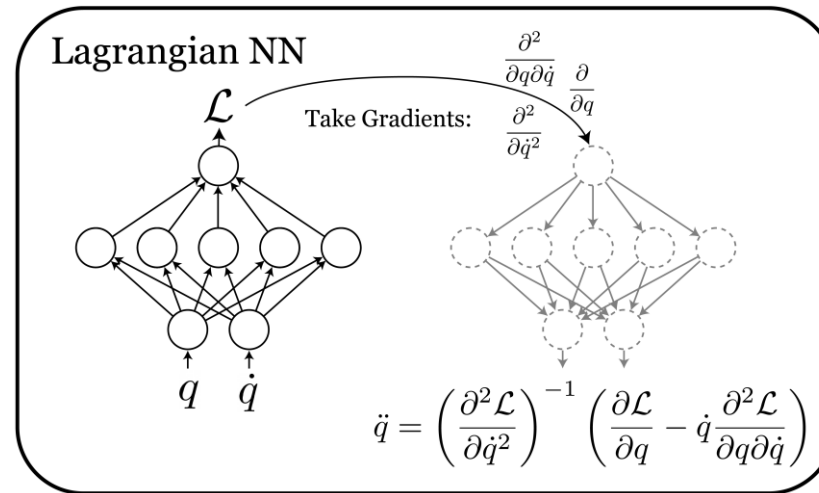
**Accelerations:**

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{q} = -\frac{1}{I + md^2} [mg_0d \sin(q) + k(q - \theta)] \\ \ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{I_m} k(q - \theta) \end{cases}$$

- Again Coriolis and Centrifugal term not present
  - Constant inertia matrix



- Classic feedforward neural network
  - Only fully connected layers
- Learn  $\ddot{q}$  directly from  $\dot{q}$  and  $q$ 
  - Not considering Lagrangian and relative constraints
- Function of a comparison baseline
  - Same structure of Lagrangian NN to comparison reasons



- Same baseline structure, completely different approach
  - Very close to robot nature
- Learn Lagrangian
  - Functional programming context
  - Predictions benefit of the Lagrangian approach features
- $\ddot{q}$  obtained from parametric Lagrangian





- **Type 1:** Observe behavior of the two networks
  - Trajectory tracking
  - Trajectory error
  - Energy conservation
- **Type 2:** Introduce noise
  - Same tests as in type 1
  - Highlight network robustness in not ideal context



## Robot parameters

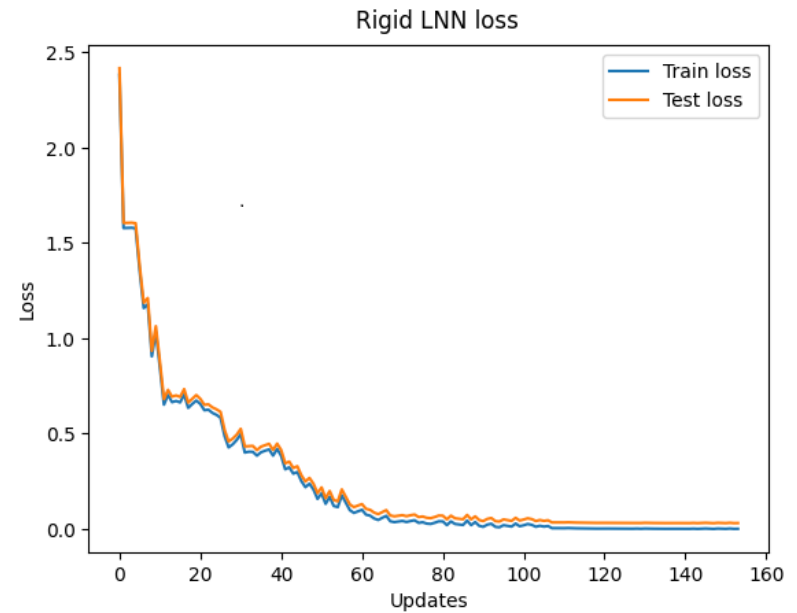
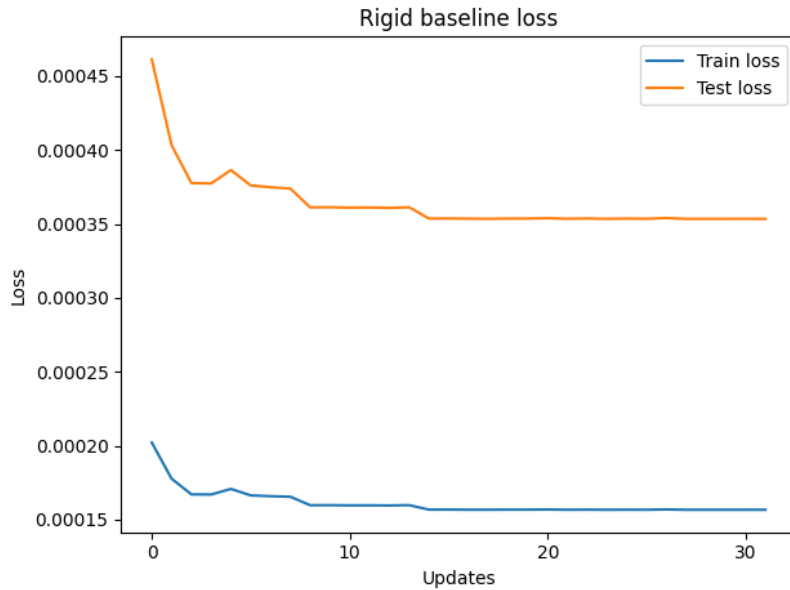
| Parameter    | Measure                 |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| Length       | $0.30\text{ m}$         |
| Base radius  | $0.01\text{ m}$         |
| CoM distance | $0.15\text{ m}$         |
| Mass         | $0.25\text{ kg}$        |
| Inertia      | $0.01125\text{ kg m}^2$ |

## Network setup

| Characteristic | Value      |
|----------------|------------|
| Layers         | 4          |
| Neurons        | 500        |
| Activation     | Softplus   |
| Loss           | MSE        |
| Regularization | L2 penalty |
| Train epochs   | 10 000     |



## Train and test losses

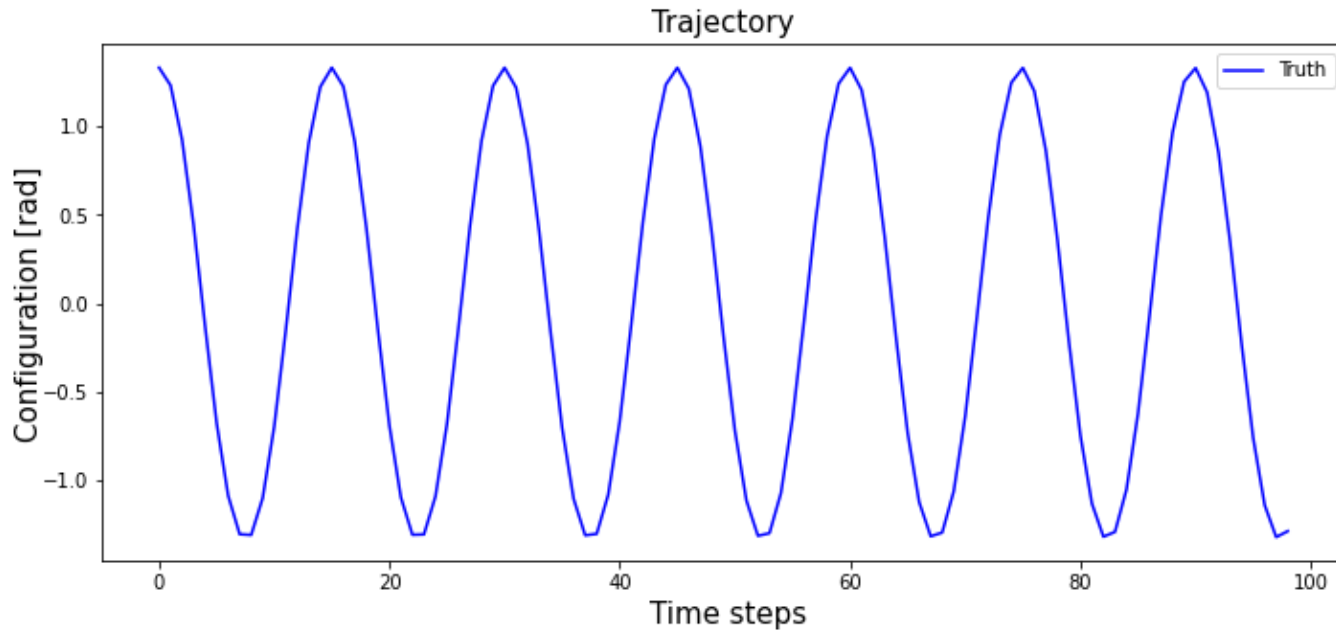




## RIGID CASE – SIMULATION 1

**Initial conditions:**

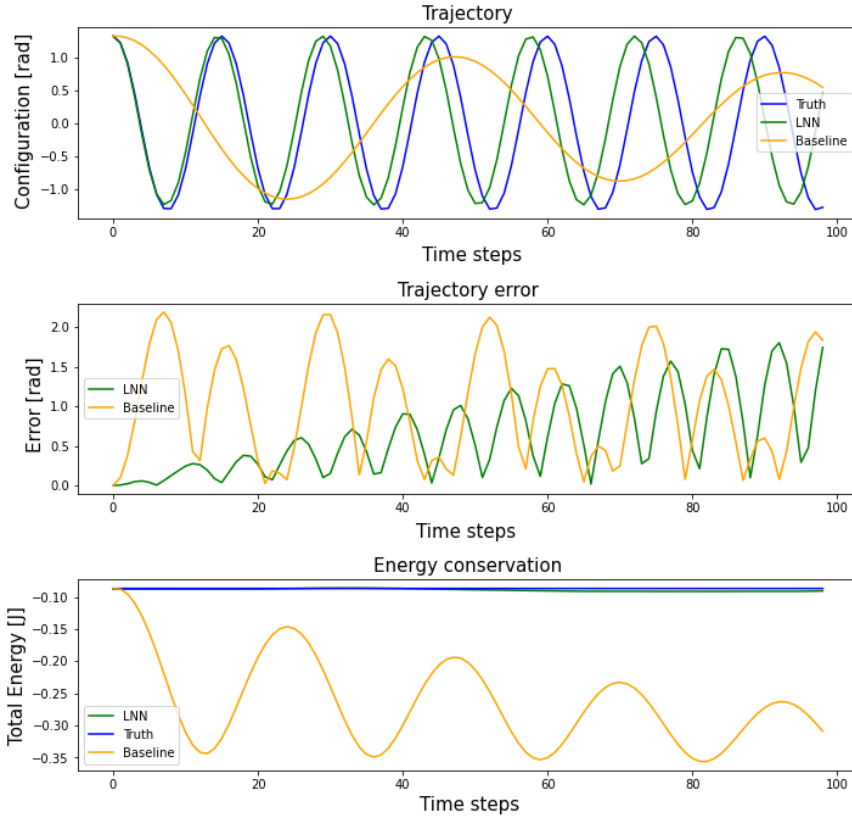
$$q(0) = 1,33 \text{ rad} \quad \dot{q}(0) = 0,2 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$



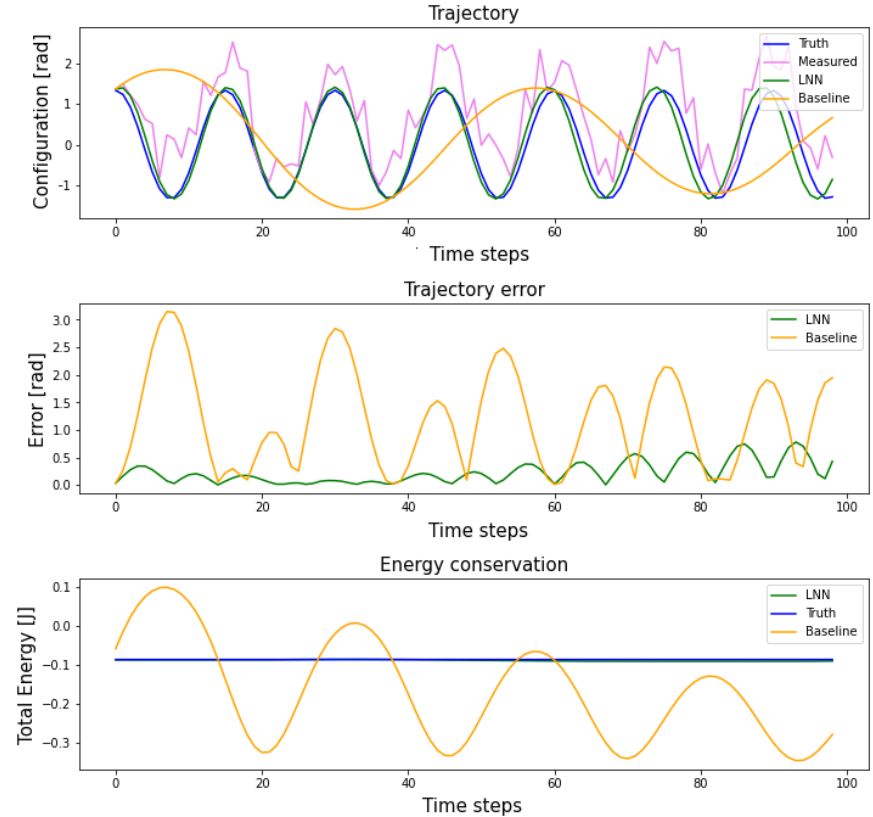


# RIGID CASE – SIMULATION 1

Free evolution without noise



Free evolution with noise

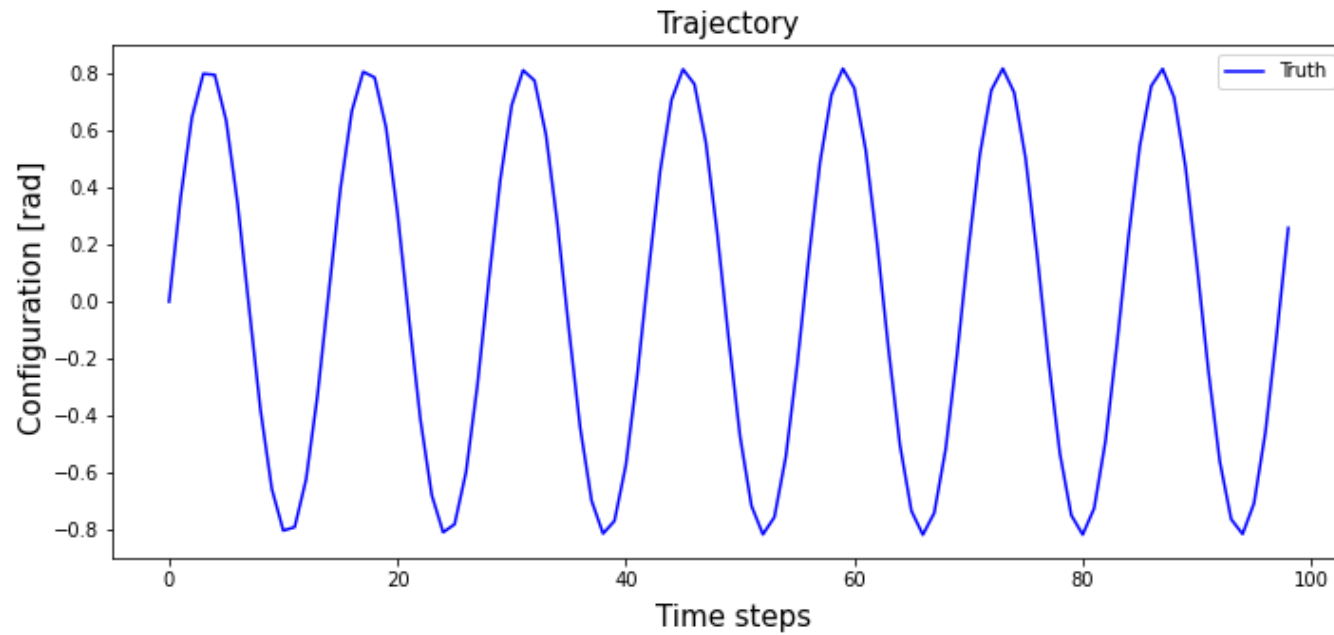




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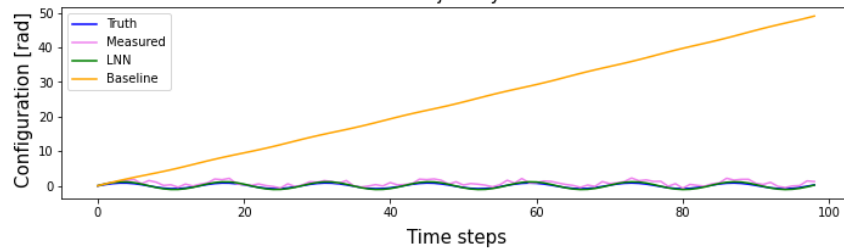
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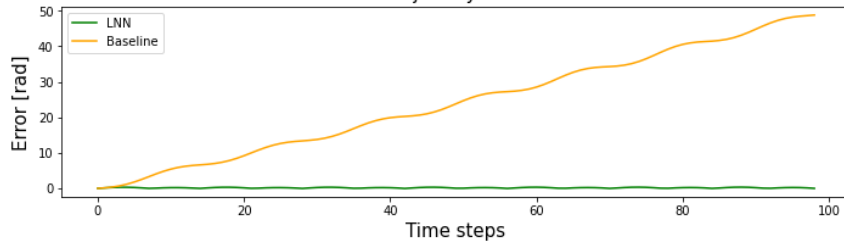




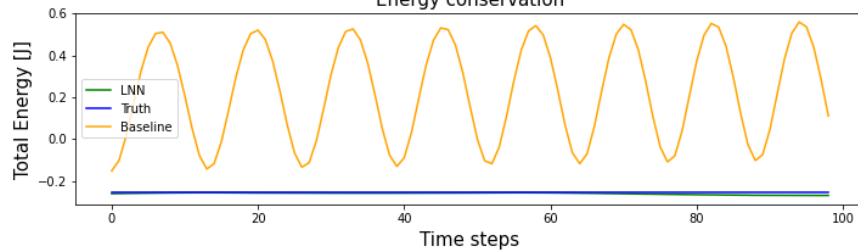
Free evolution with noise  
Trajectory



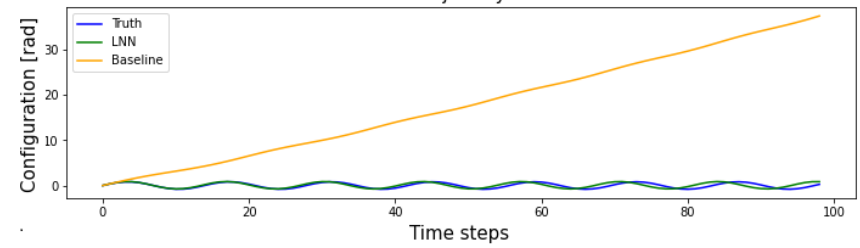
Trajectory error



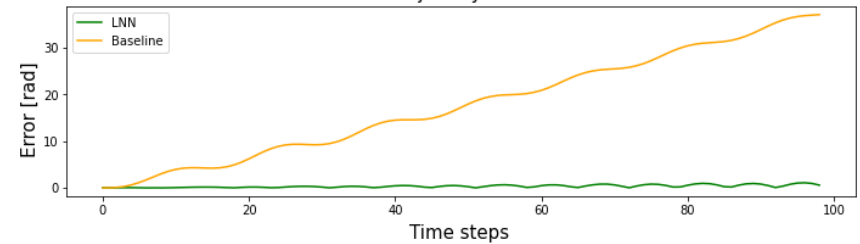
Energy conservation



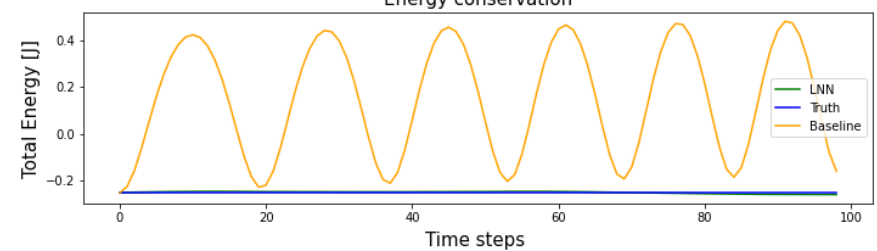
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Trajectory



Trajectory error



Energy conservation

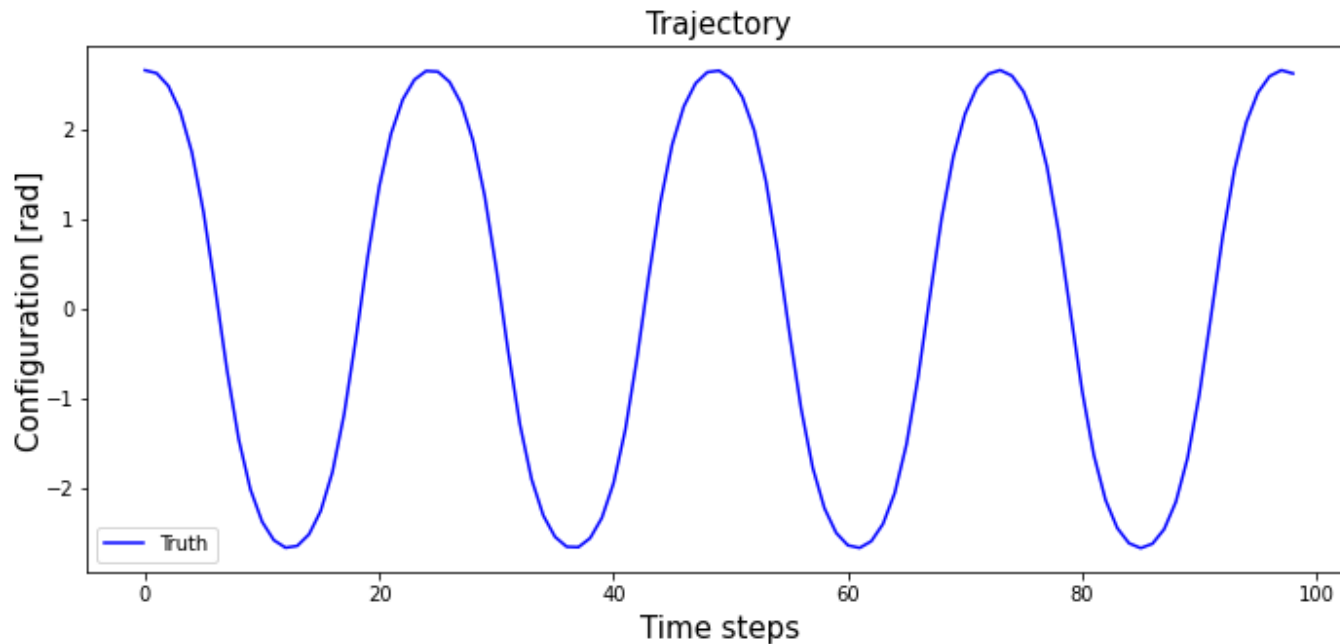




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**Initial conditions:**

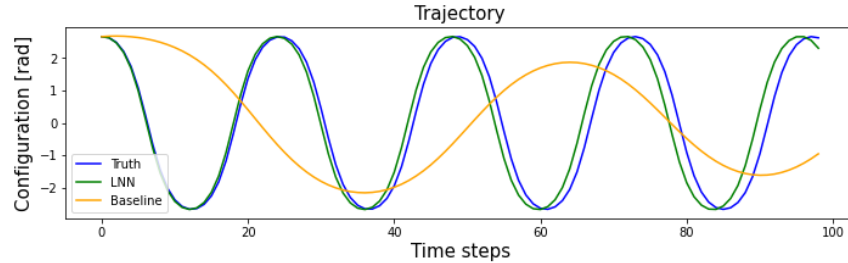
$$q(0) = 2,66 \text{ rad} \quad \dot{q}(0) = 0,5 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$



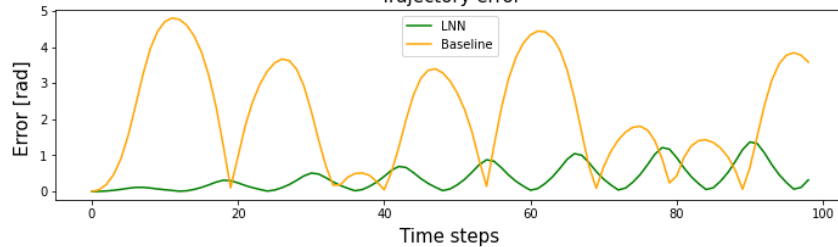




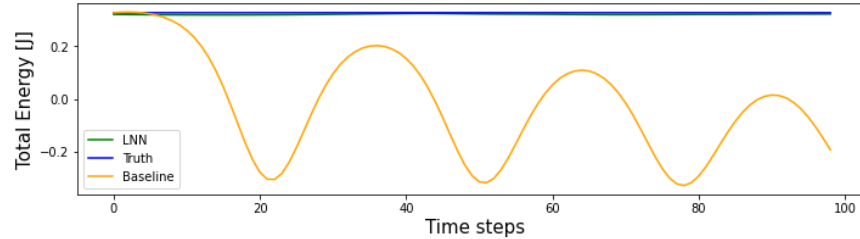
Free evolution without noise



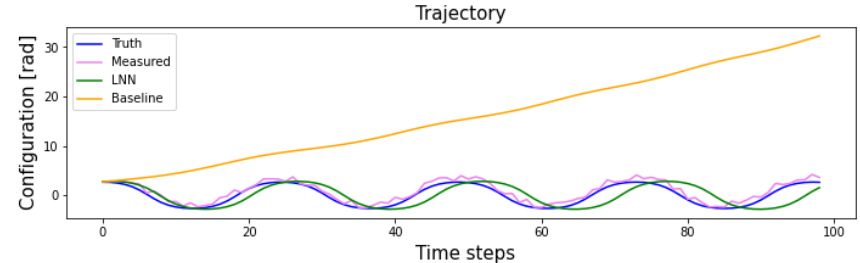
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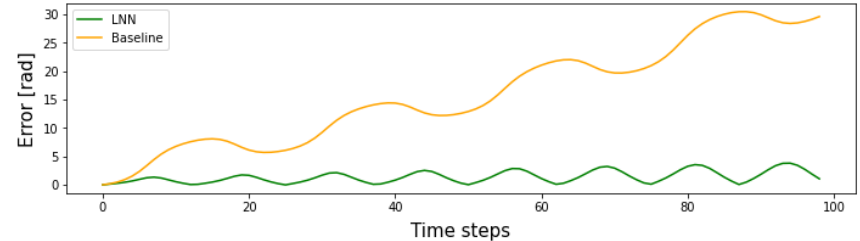
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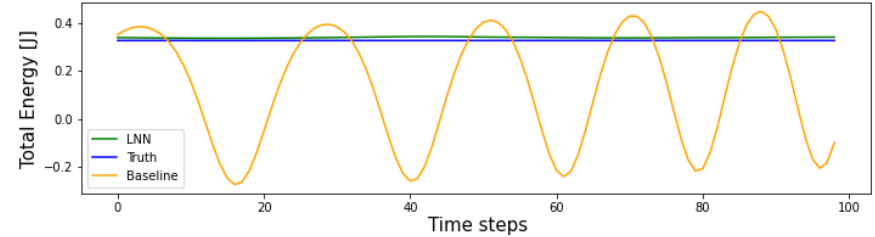
Free evolution with noise



Trajectory error



Energy conservation





## Motor parameters

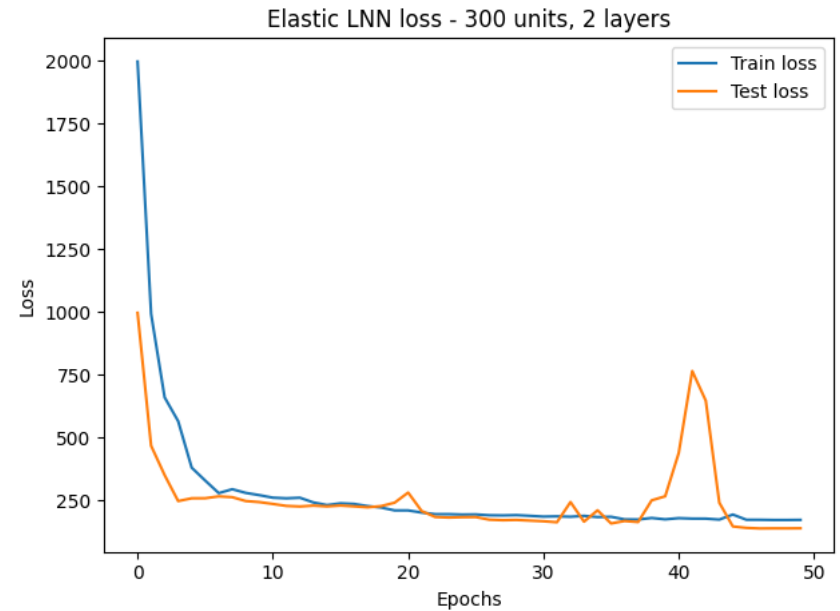
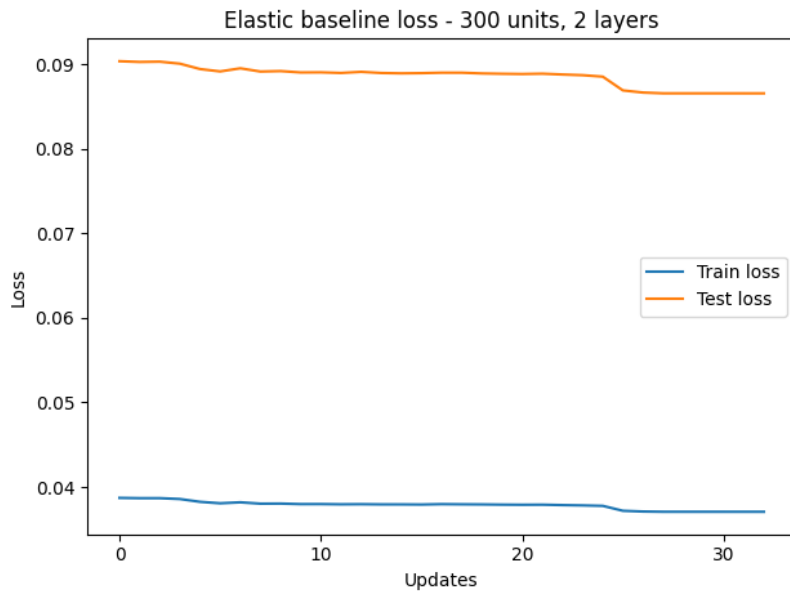
| Parameter          | Measure                |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Height             | $0.04\text{ m}$        |
| Base radius        | $0.02\text{ m}$        |
| Mass               | $0.4\text{ kg}$        |
| Reduction ratio    | 160                    |
| Inertia            | $0.0128\text{ kg m}^2$ |
| Stiffness constant | $50\text{ Nm/rad}$     |

## Network setup

| Configuration | Units | Layers |
|---------------|-------|--------|
| A             | 300   | 2      |
| B             | 500   | 4      |
| C             | 700   | 5      |



## Train and test losses

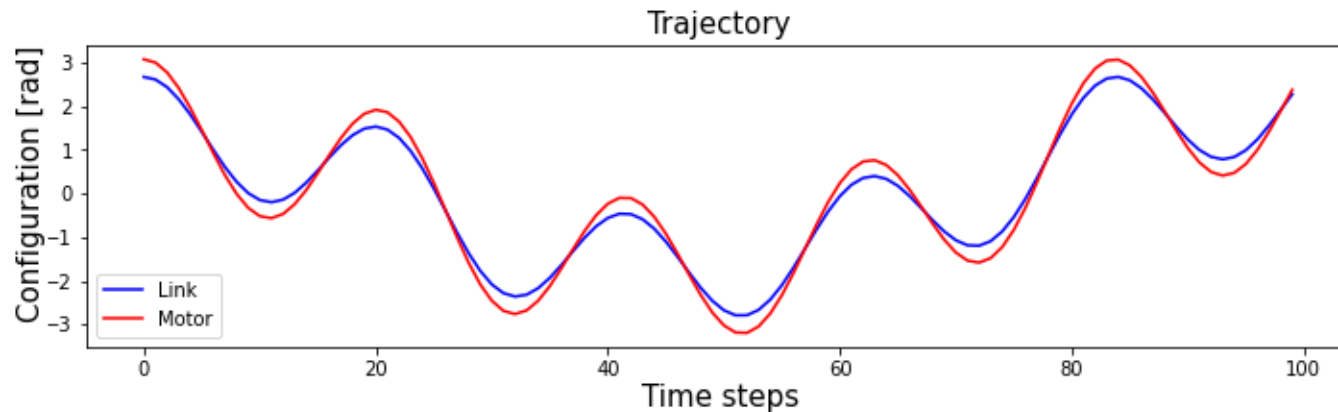


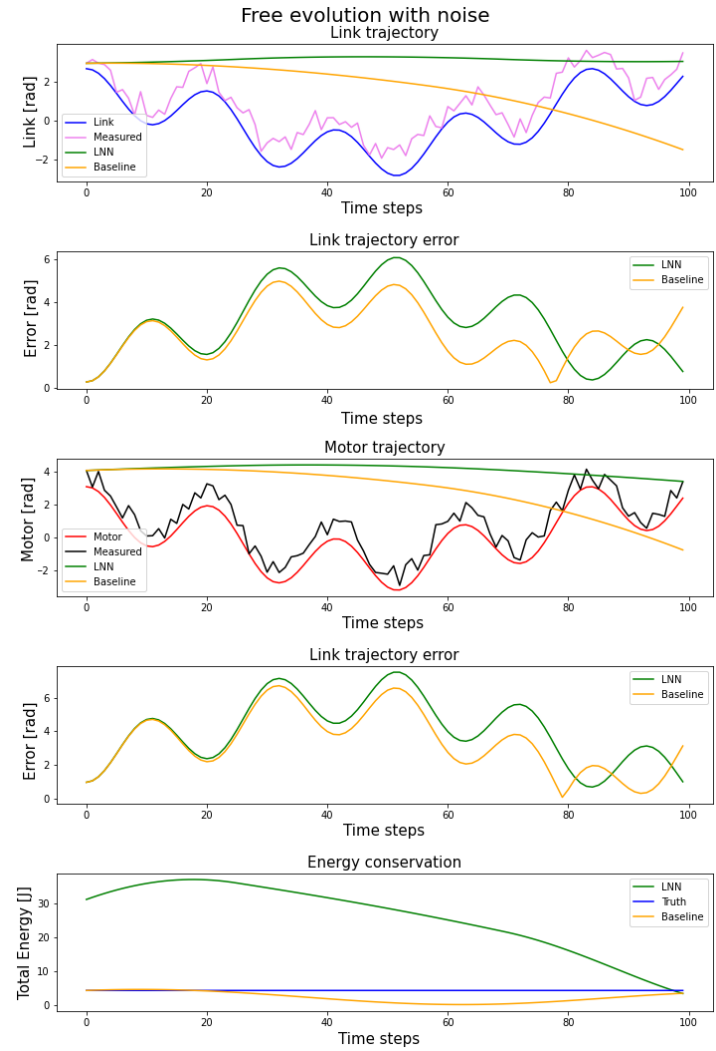
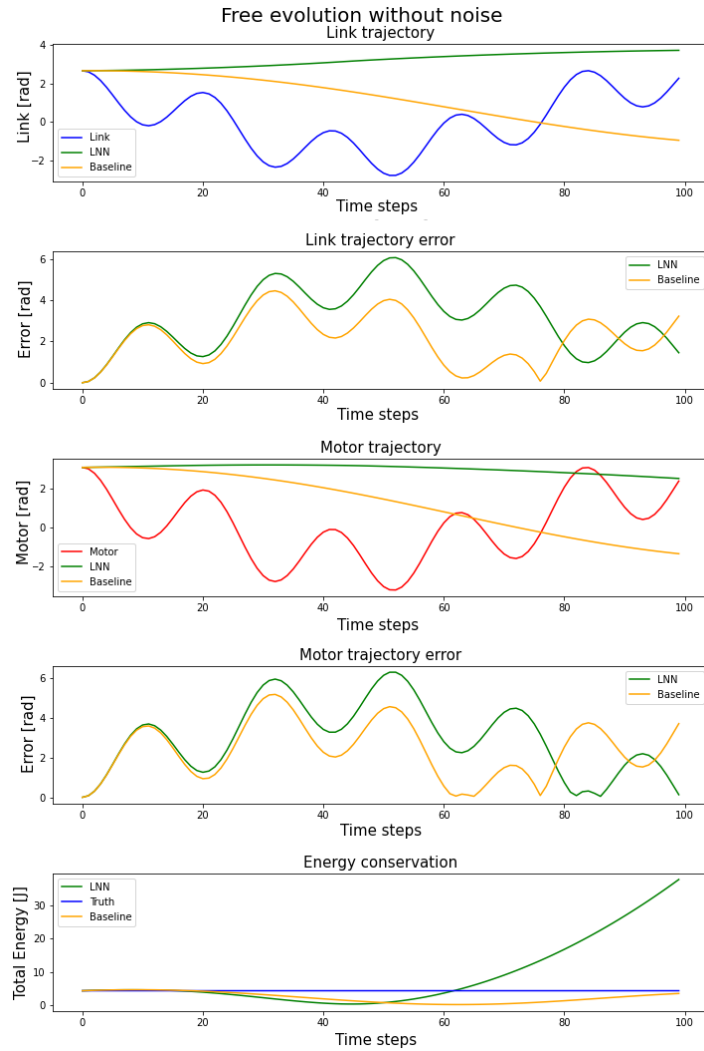


## ELASTIC CASE – SIMULATION 1

**Initial conditions:**

$$\begin{cases} q(0) = 2,66 \text{ rad} & \dot{q}(0) = 0,5 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \\ \theta(0) = 3,06 \text{ rad} & \dot{\theta}(0) = 1 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \end{cases}$$



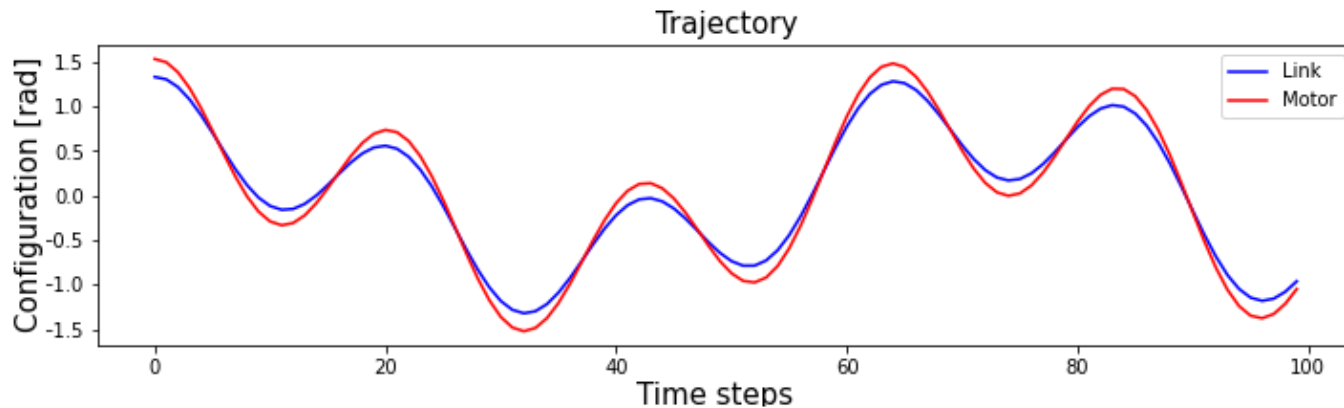




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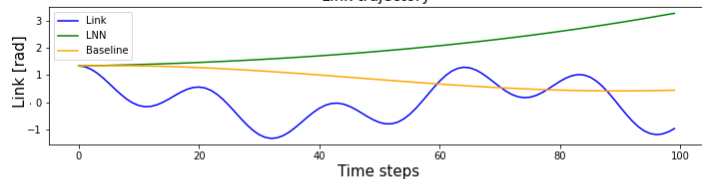
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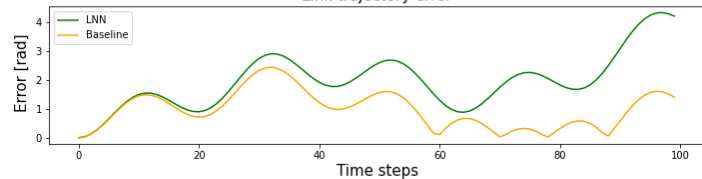




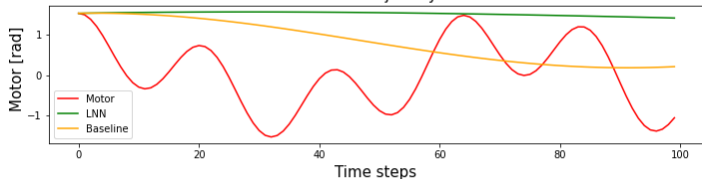
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Link trajectory



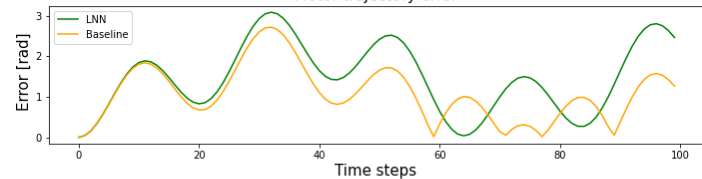
Link trajectory error



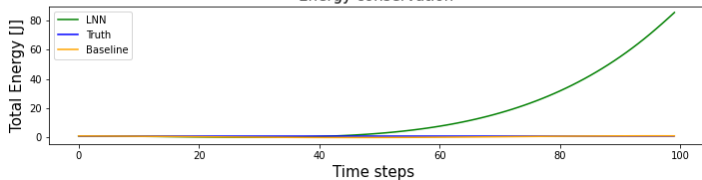
Motor trajectory



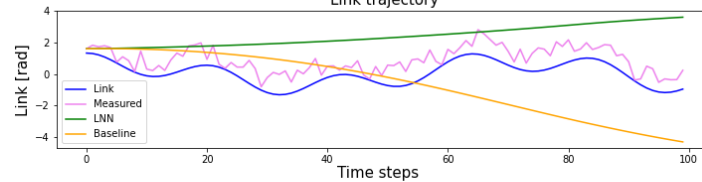
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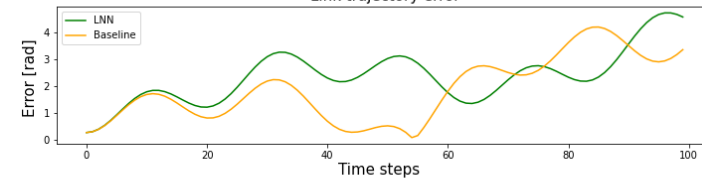
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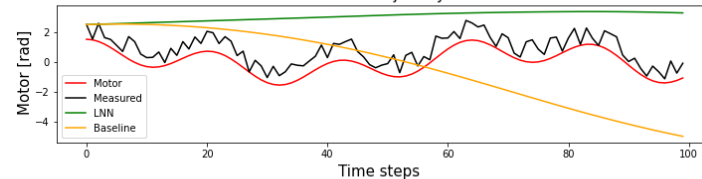
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Link trajectory



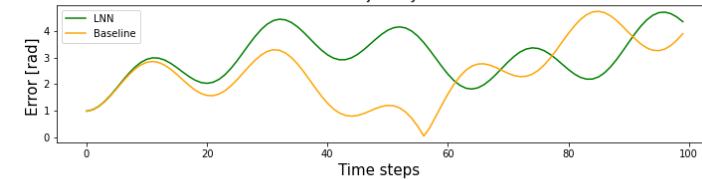
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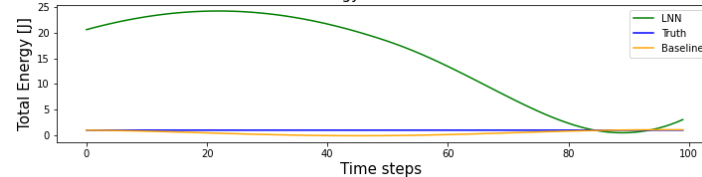
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Motor trajectory error

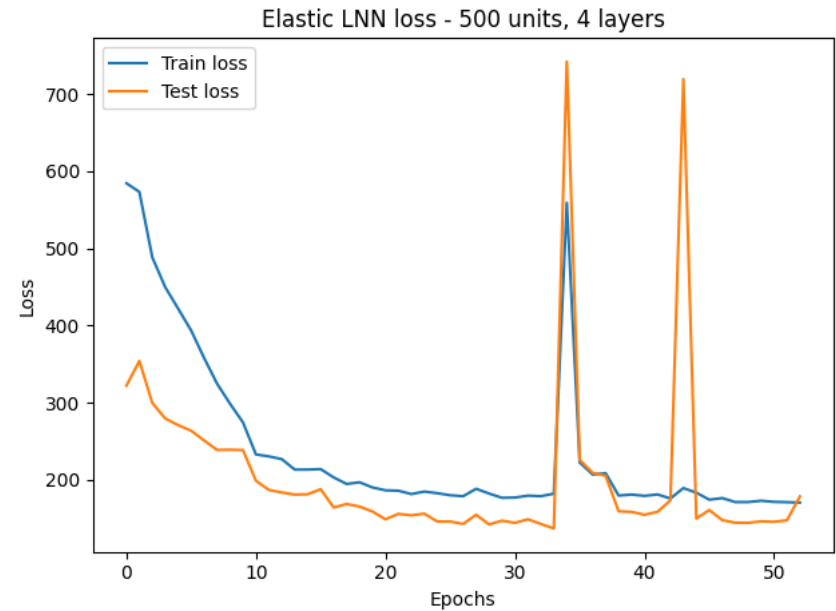
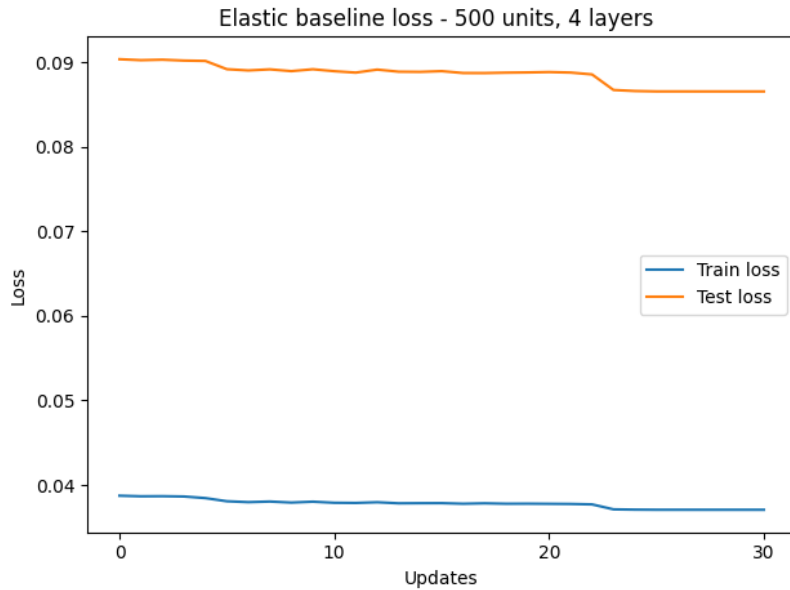


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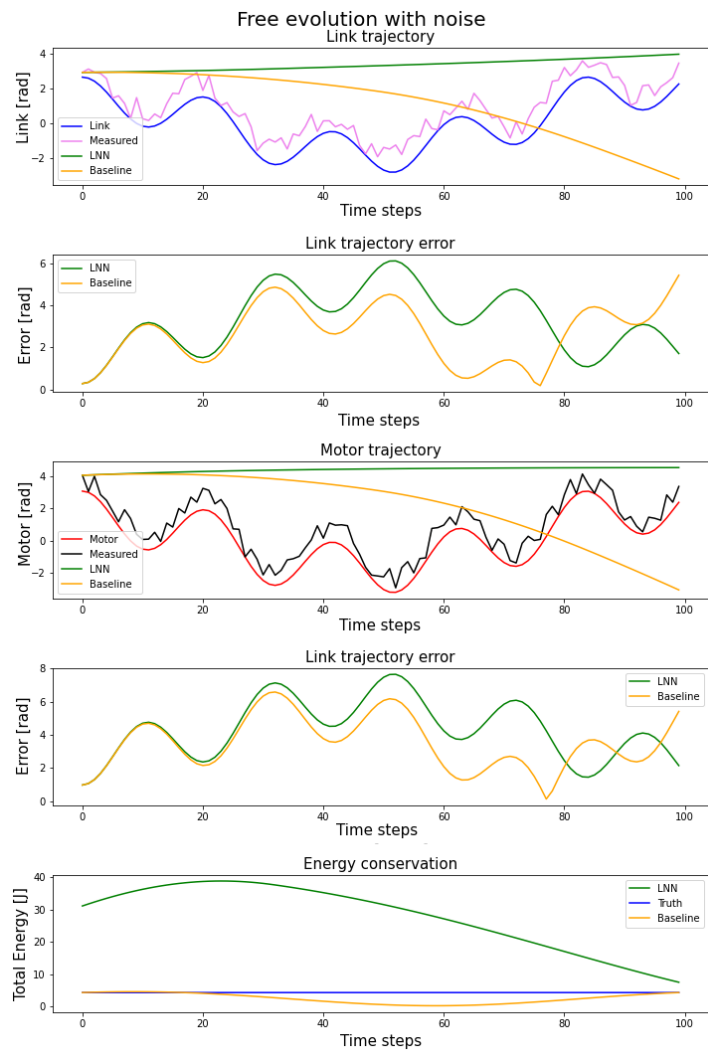
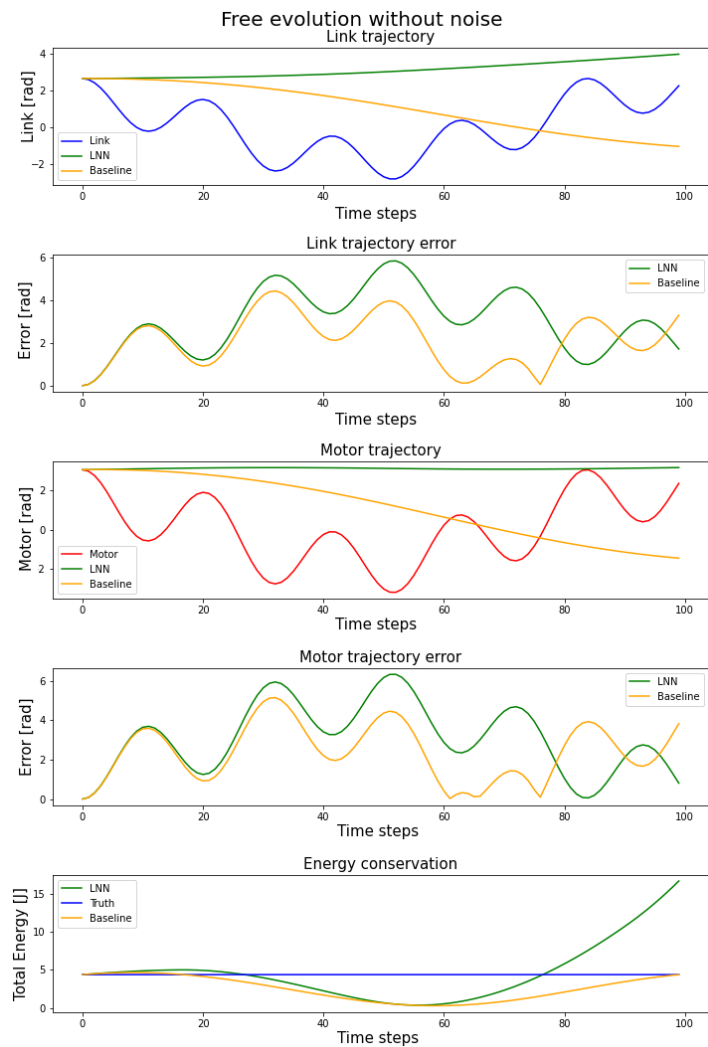


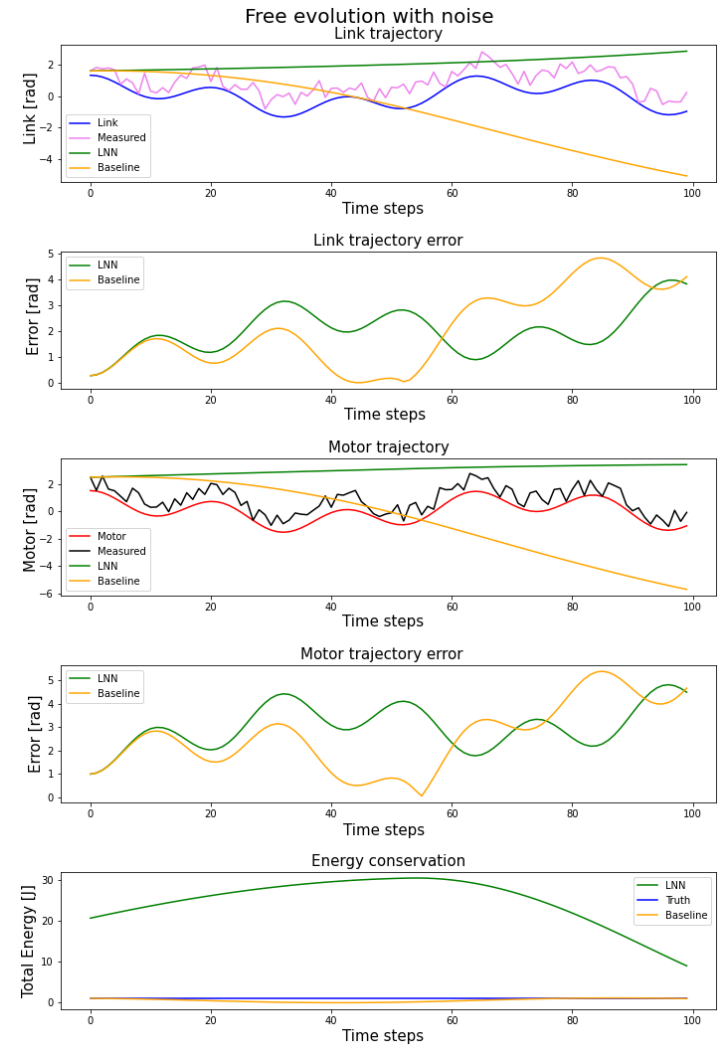
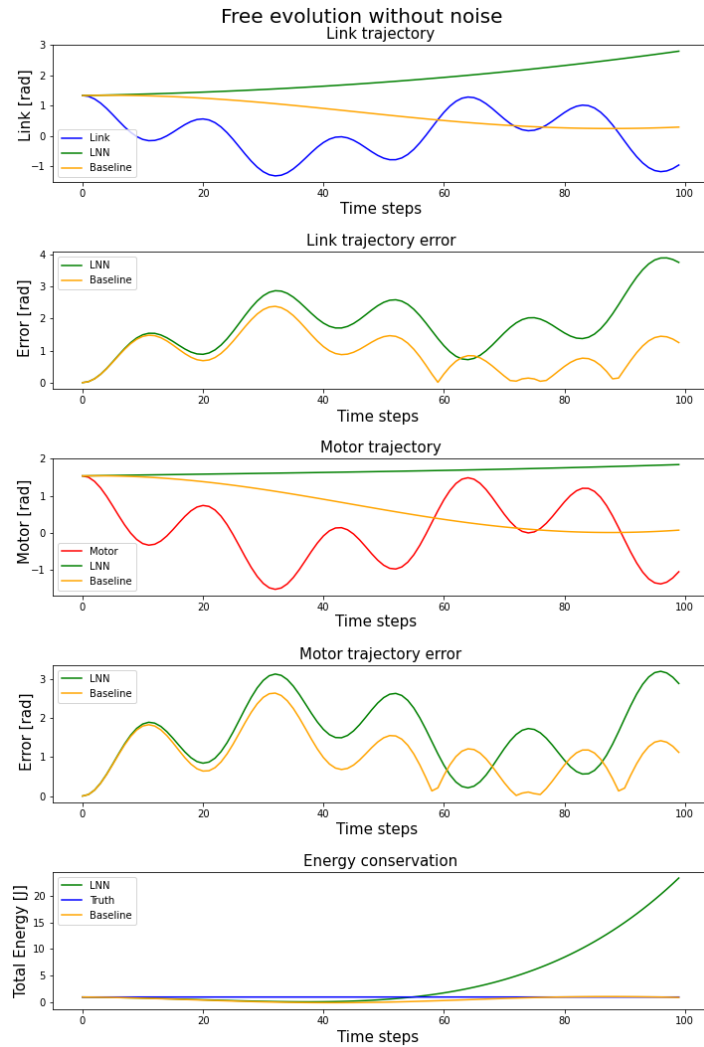


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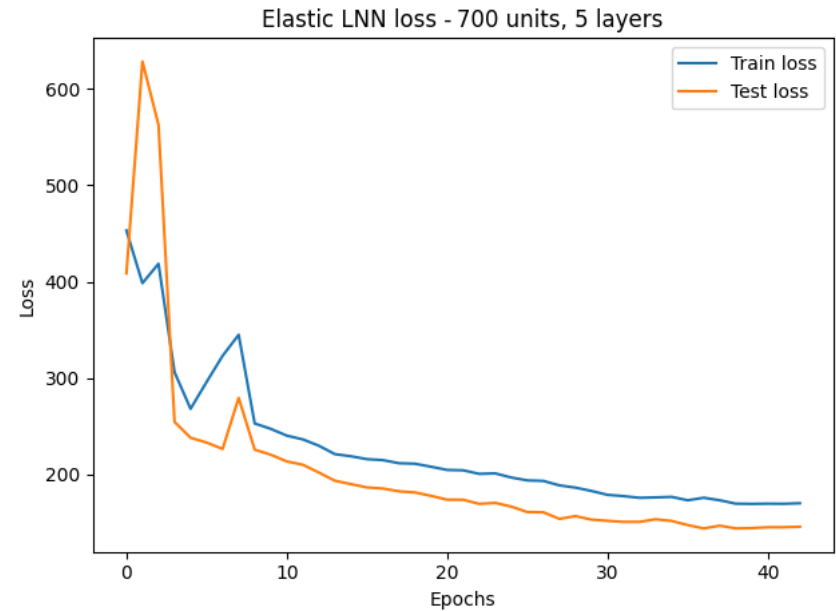
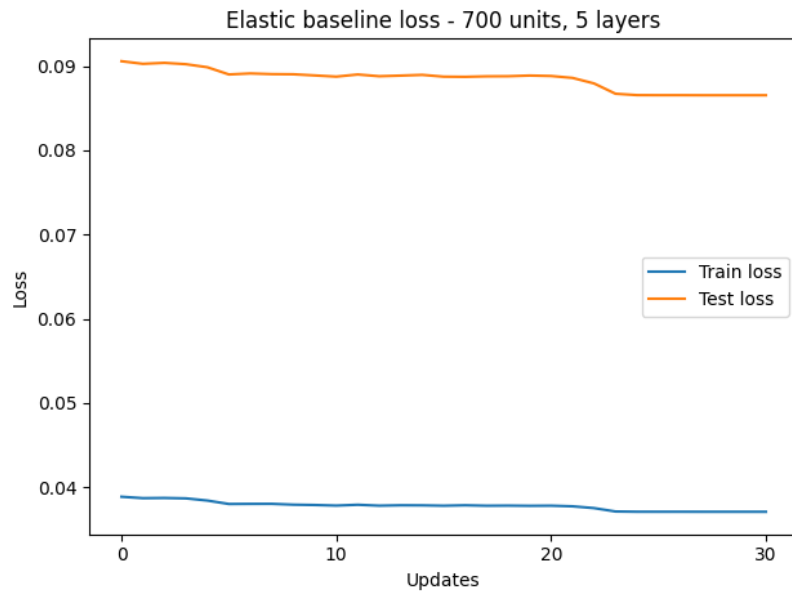






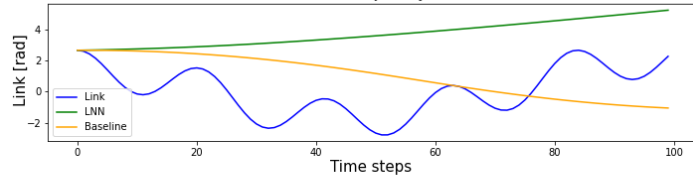


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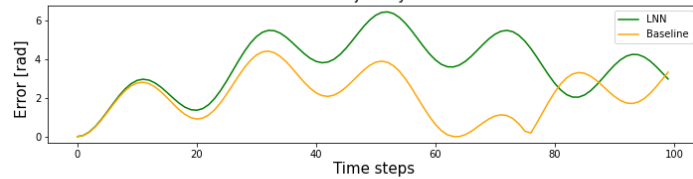




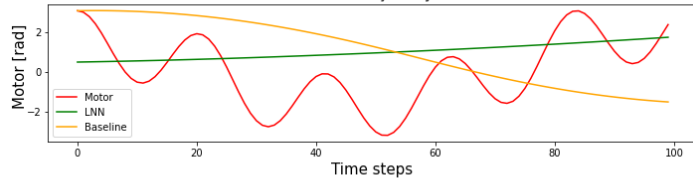
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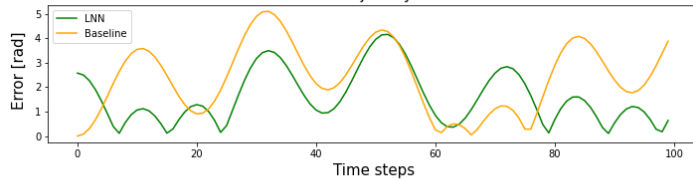
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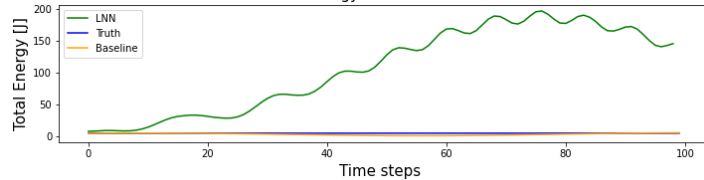
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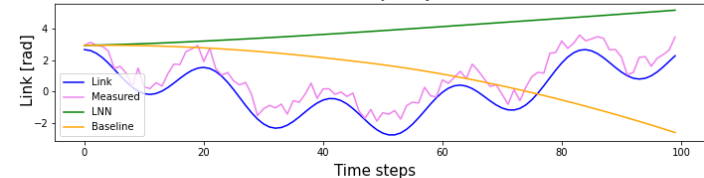
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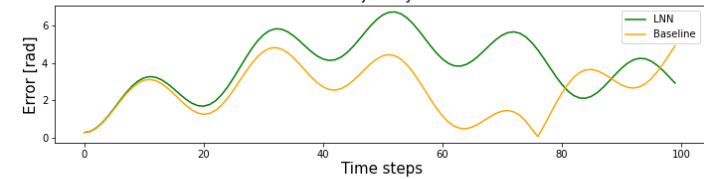
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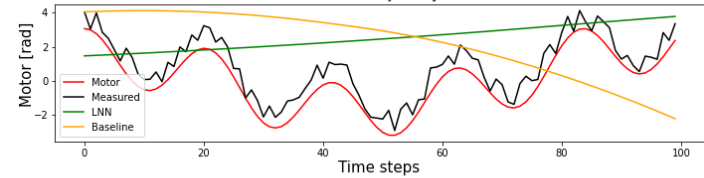
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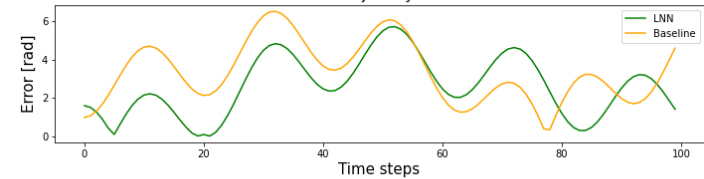
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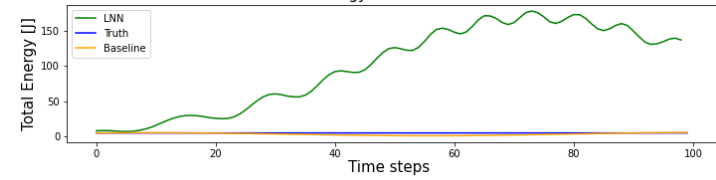
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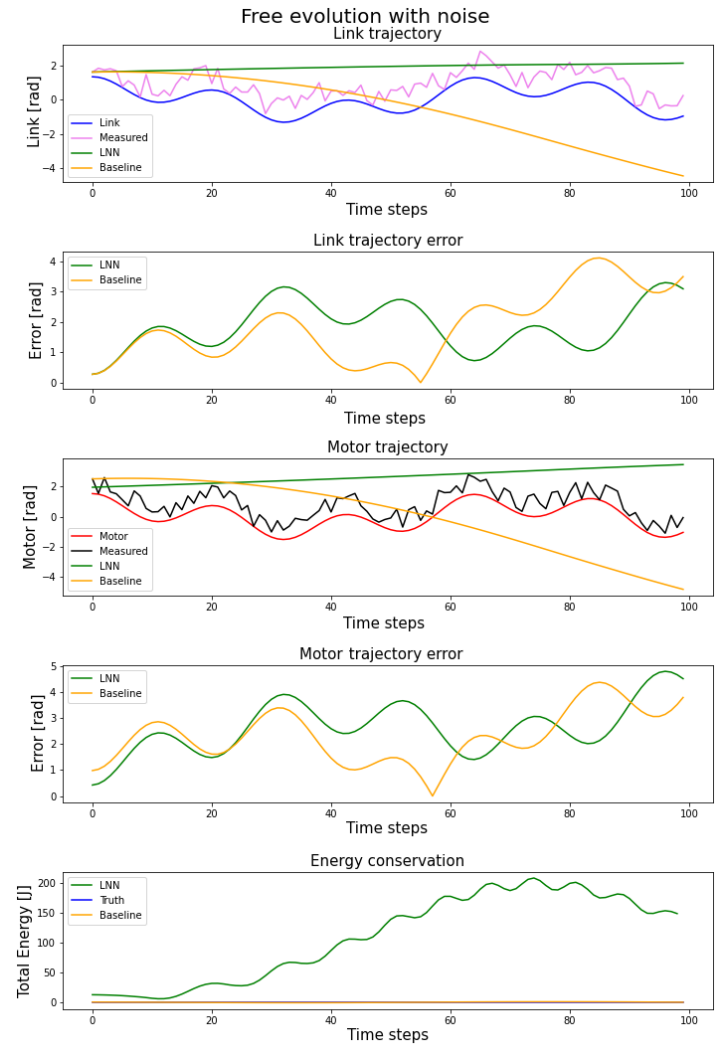
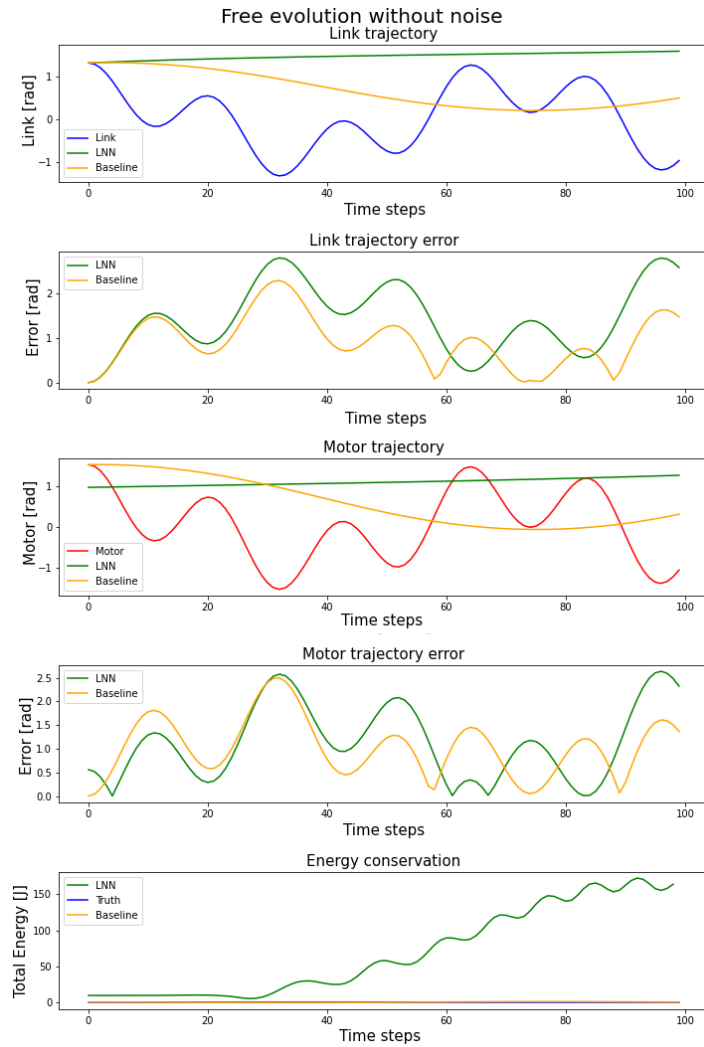


Link trajectory error



Energy conservation







- At least in the rigid case, LNN performances are very good
  - Both in trajectory error and energy conservation
- Unfortunately, bad results in elastic case
- Elastic LNN seems to improve as network complexity increase
  - More wide/deep network and more initial conditions
  - High computational resources needed
- Paper LNN approach works on unitary configurations
  - We reject this in preference to real robot parameters



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