

AONN: An adjoint-oriented neural network method for all-at-once solutions of parametric optimal control problems

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Background

- Aeronautics
- Microelectronics
- Reservoir simulations
- ...

Background

- Mathematical (physical) model: PDEs or ODEs
- Data-driven model (e.g., deep neural networks): no proper physical model but massive available data
- Numerical methods
Both of them need numerical methods

Problem setup

OCP(μ) Parametric optimal control problem: for any μ , find the solution to

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{(y(\mathbf{x}, \mu), u(\mathbf{x}, \mu)) \in Y \times U} J(y(\mathbf{x}, \mu), u(\mathbf{x}, \mu); \mu), \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{F}(y(\mathbf{x}, \mu), u(\mathbf{x}, \mu); \mu) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega(\mu), \text{ and } u(\mathbf{x}, \mu) \in U_{ad}(\mu), \end{aligned}$$

- $\mu \in \mathcal{P} \subset \mathbb{R}^D$: a vector that collects a finite number of parameters
- $\Omega(\mu) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$: a spatial domain depending on μ
- $\mathbf{x} \in \Omega(\mu)$: a spatial variable
- $J : Y \times U \times \mathcal{P} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$: a parameter-dependent objective functional. Y and U are two proper function spaces defined on $\Omega(\mu)$
- \mathbf{F} : the governing equation, parameter-dependent PDEs
- $U_{ad}(\mu)$: a parameter-dependent bounded closed convex subset of U

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- The presence of parameters introduces extra prominent complexity
- Obtaining all-at-once solutions is challenge
- Additional constraints (e.g. box constraints) make NN-based methods hard to train

Problem setup

The corresponding KKT system

$$\begin{cases} J_y(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu) - \mathbf{F}_y^*(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu)p^*(\mu) = 0, \\ \mathbf{F}(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu) = 0, \\ (\mathrm{d}_u J(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu), v(\mu) - u^*(\mu)) \geq 0, \quad \forall v(\mu) \in U_{ad}(\mu). \end{cases}$$

- $(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu))$: the minimizer
- $p^*(\mu)$: the adjoint function which is also known as the Lagrange multiplier
- $\mathbf{F}_y^*(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)$: the adjoint operator of $\mathbf{F}_y(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)$
- $\mathrm{d}_u J(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu) = J_u(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu) - \mathbf{F}_u^*(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu)p^*(\mu)$.

Main idea

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Solving this KKT system to get the optimal solution

- three neural networks to approximate $y^*(\mu)$, $u^*(\mu)$ and $p^*(\mu)$ separately
- deal with the parameters

goal: obtain the optimal solution for any parameters

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Solving this KKT system to get the solution

- $\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_y)$, $\hat{u}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_u)$, and $\hat{p}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_p)$: three **independent** deep neural networks
- $\mathbf{x}(\mu) = [x_1, \dots, x_d, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_D]$.

key point: construct a proper loss function

Main idea

$$\mathcal{L}_s(\theta_y, \theta_u) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |r_s(\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_y), \hat{u}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_u); \mu_i)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (1a)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_a(\theta_y, \theta_u, \theta_p) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |r_a(\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_y), \hat{u}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_u), \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_p); \mu_i)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (1b)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_u(\theta_u, u_{\text{step}}) = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |\hat{u}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i; \theta_u) - u_{\text{step}}(\mathbf{x}(\mu)_i)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (1c)$$

$$r_s(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu) \triangleq \mathbf{F}(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu), \quad (2a)$$

$$r_a(y(\mu), u(\mu), p(\mu); \mu) \triangleq J_y(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu) - \mathbf{F}_y^*(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)p(\mu), \quad (2b)$$

Main idea

- $r_s(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)$: residual of the state equation
 - $r_a(y(\mu), u(\mu), p(\mu); \mu)$: residual of the adjoint equation
 - $u_{\text{step}}(x(\mu))$: an intermediate variable for the third inequality in the KKT system

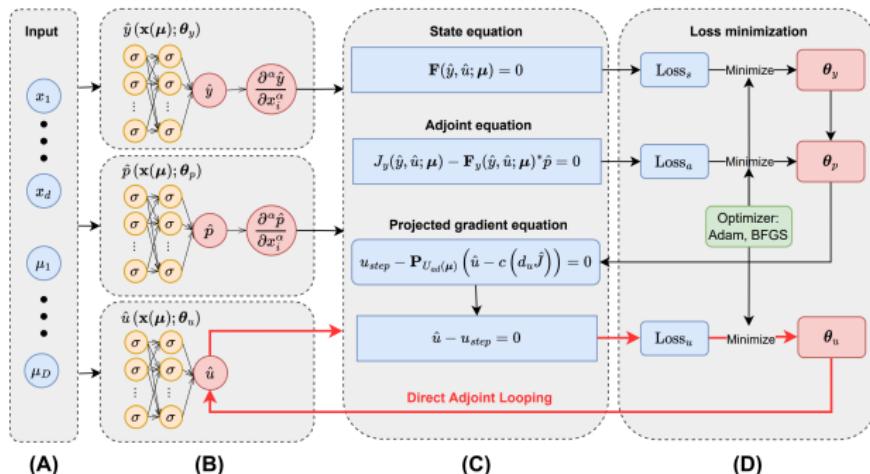


Figure: (A) Inputs (B) AONN: three separate neural networks $\hat{y}, \hat{p}, \hat{u}$ (C) The corresponding loss functions. (D) $\hat{y}, \hat{p}, \hat{u}$ are trained sequentially.

Some key ingredients

- the state equation and the adjoint equation: solving two **parametric PDEs** in $\Omega_{\mathcal{P}} = \{\mathbf{x}(\mu) : \mathbf{x} \in \Omega(\mu)\}$
- projection gradient descent for inequality constraints in the KKT system

$$\mathbf{P}_{U_{ad}(\mu)}(u(\mu)) = \arg \min_{v(\mu) \in U_{ad}(\mu)} \|u(\mu) - v(\mu)\|_2,$$

$$u_{\text{step}}(\mu) = \mathbf{P}_{U_{ad}(\mu)}(u(\mu) - c \mathbf{d}_u J(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)).$$

Because the optimal control function $u^*(\mu)$ satisfies

$$u^*(\mu) - \mathbf{P}_{U_{ad}(\mu)}(u^*(\mu) - c \mathbf{d}_u J(y^*(\mu), u^*(\mu); \mu)) = 0, \quad \forall c \geq 0.$$

The residual for the control function

$$r_v(y(\mu), u(\mu), p(\mu)) \triangleq u(\mu) - \mathbf{P}_{U_{ad}(\mu)}(u(\mu) - c \mathbf{d}_u J(y(\mu), u(\mu); \mu)).$$

AONN algorithm

- training $\hat{y}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_y)$ for the state function

$$\theta_y^k = \arg \min_{\theta_y} \mathcal{L}_s \left(\theta_y, \theta_u^{k-1} \right).$$

- updating $\hat{p}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_p)$ for the adjoint function

$$\theta_p^k = \arg \min_{\theta_p} \mathcal{L}_a \left(\theta_y^k, \theta_u^{k-1}, \theta_p \right).$$

- refining $\hat{u}(\mathbf{x}(\mu); \theta_u)$ for the control function

$$\theta_u^k = \arg \min_{\theta_u} \mathcal{L}_u \left(\theta_u, u_{\text{step}}^{k-1} \right).$$

Comparison with other methods

- A straightforward way:

$$\text{OCP} : \begin{cases} \min_{(y,u) \in Y \times U} J(y, u), \\ \text{s.t. } \mathbf{F}(y, u) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega, \text{ and } u \in U_{ad}. \end{cases}$$

cannot handle parametric optimal control efficiently

- NN-based methods

$$\min_{(y,u) \in Y \times U} J(y, u) + \beta_1 \mathbf{F}(y, u)^2 + \beta_2 \|u - \mathbf{P}_{U_{ad}}(u)\|_U + \beta_3 \dots$$

too many penalty terms lead to failure and not suitable for nonsmooth problems

Numerical results

We start with the following nonparametric optimal control problem:

$$\begin{cases} \min_{y,u} J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_d\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2, \\ \text{subject to } \begin{cases} -\Delta y + y^3 = u + f & \text{in } \Omega \\ y = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases} \\ \text{and } u_a \leq u \leq u_b \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

The corresponding adjoint equation

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta p + 3py^2 = y - y_d & \text{in } \Omega, \\ p = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases}$$

where $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$, $\alpha = 0.01$, $u_a = 0$, and $u_b = 3$.

Numerical results

The analytical optimal solution is given by

$$y^* = \sin(\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2),$$

$u^* = \mathbf{P}_{[u_a, u_b]}(2\pi^2 y^*)$, pointwise projection operator onto $[u_a, u_b]$

$$p^* = -2\alpha\pi^2 y^*,$$

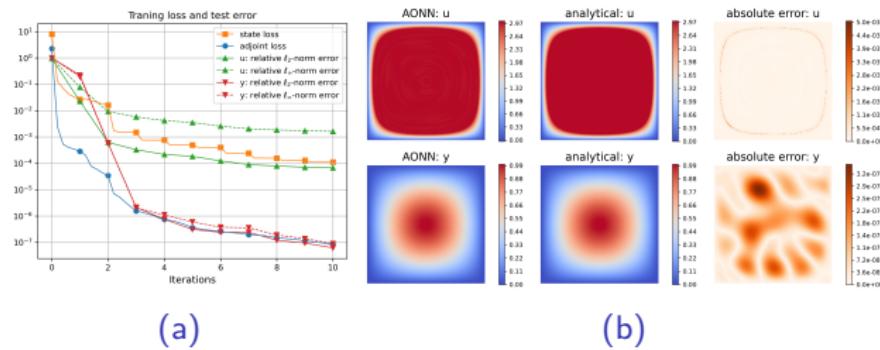


Figure: Test 1: training loss and test error. Test error is evaluated at 256×256 uniform grid points. (a) Loss behaviour test errors in both ℓ_2 -norm and ℓ_∞ -norm during training process. (b) Solution and error

Numerical results

The parametric version

$$\begin{cases} \min_{y(\mu), u(\mu)} J(y(\mu), u(\mu)) := \frac{1}{2} \|y(\mu) - y_d(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2, \\ \text{subject to } \begin{cases} -\Delta y(\mu) + y(\mu)^3 = u(\mu) + f(\mu) & \text{in } \Omega \\ y(\mu) = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases} \\ \text{and } u_a \leq u(\mu) \leq \mu \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega. \end{cases}$$

where u_b is set to be a **continuous** variable μ ranging from 3 to 20.

Numerical results

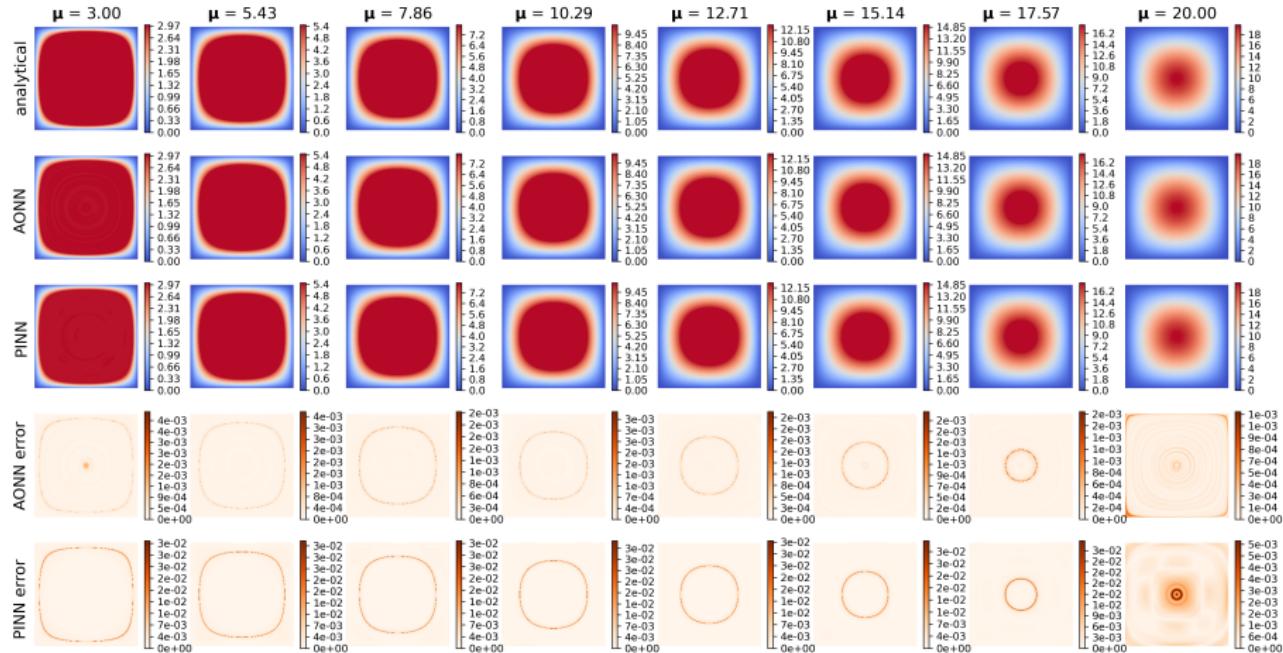


Figure: Test 2: the control solutions $u(\mu)$ of AONN and PINN with eight realizations of $\mu \in [3, 20]$, and their absolute errors.

Numerical results

Optimal control for the Navier-Stokes equations with physical parametrization

$$\min_{y(\mu), u(\mu)} J(y(\mu), u(\mu)) = \frac{1}{2} \|y(\mu) - y_d(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2,$$

$$\begin{cases} -\mu \Delta y(\mu) + (y(\mu) \cdot \nabla) y(\mu) + \nabla p(\mu) = u(\mu) + f(\mu) & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \operatorname{div} y(\mu) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ y(\mu) = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

where $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$ with a parameter $\mu \in [0.1, 100]$ representing the reciprocal of the Reynolds number, and a constraint for u
 $u_1(\mu)^2 + u_2(\mu)^2 \leq r^2$ with $r = 0.2$

Numerical results

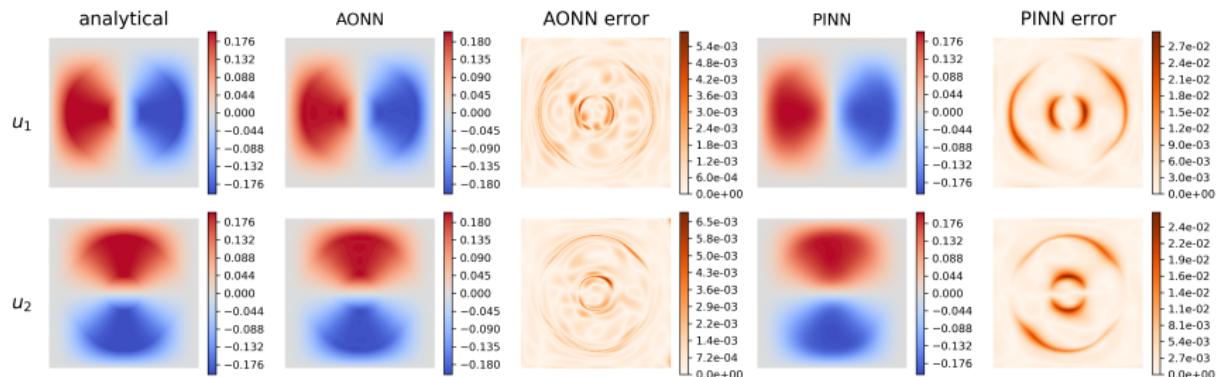


Figure: Test 3: optimal solutions of the control function $u = (u_1, u_2)$ obtained by AONN and PINN, and their absolute errors for a given parameter $\mu = 10$.

Numerical results

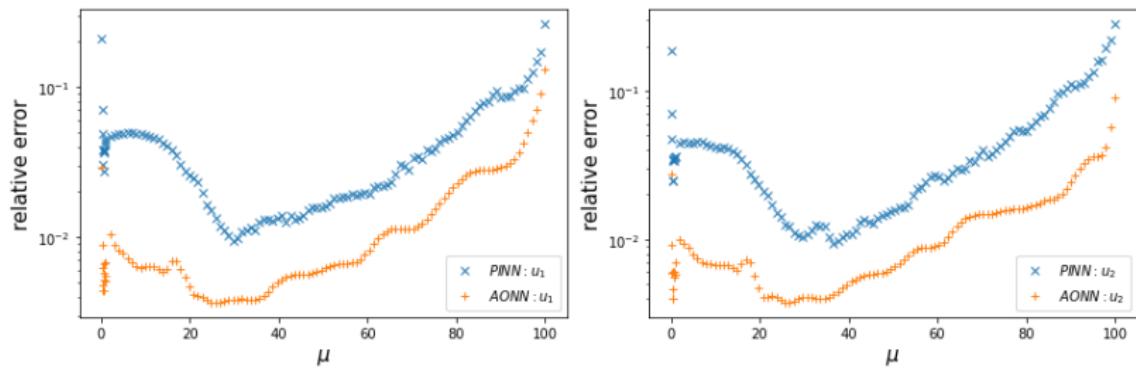


Figure: Test 3: the relative errors (in the ℓ_2 -norm sense) of AONN and PINN for the two components of $u(\mu) = (u_1(\mu), u_2(\mu))$. The relative errors are computed on the 256×256 meshgrid for each fixed parameter μ .

Numerical results

$$\begin{cases} \min_{y(\mu), u(\mu)} J(y(\mu), u(\mu)) = \frac{1}{2} \|y(\mu) - y_d(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega(\mu))}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega(\mu))}^2, \\ \text{subject to } \begin{cases} -\Delta y(\mu) = u(\mu) & \text{in } \Omega(\mu), \\ y(\mu) = 1 & \text{on } \partial\Omega(\mu), \end{cases} \\ \text{and } u_a \leq u(\mu) \leq u_b \quad \text{a.e. in } \Omega(\mu), \end{cases}$$

where $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2)$ is the parameter.

$\Omega(\mu) = ([0, 2] \times [0, 1]) \setminus B((1.5, 0.5), \mu_1)$ and the desired state is given by

$$y_d(\mu) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{in } \Omega_1 = [0, 1] \times [0, 1], \\ \mu_2 & \text{in } \Omega_2(\mu) = ([1, 2] \times [0, 1]) \setminus B((1.5, 0.5), \mu_1), \end{cases}$$

where $B((1.5, 0.5), \mu_1)$ is a ball of radius μ_1 with center $(1.5, 0.5)$,
 $\alpha = 0.001$ and $\mu \in \mathcal{P} = [0.05, 0.45] \times [0.5, 2.5]$.

Numerical results

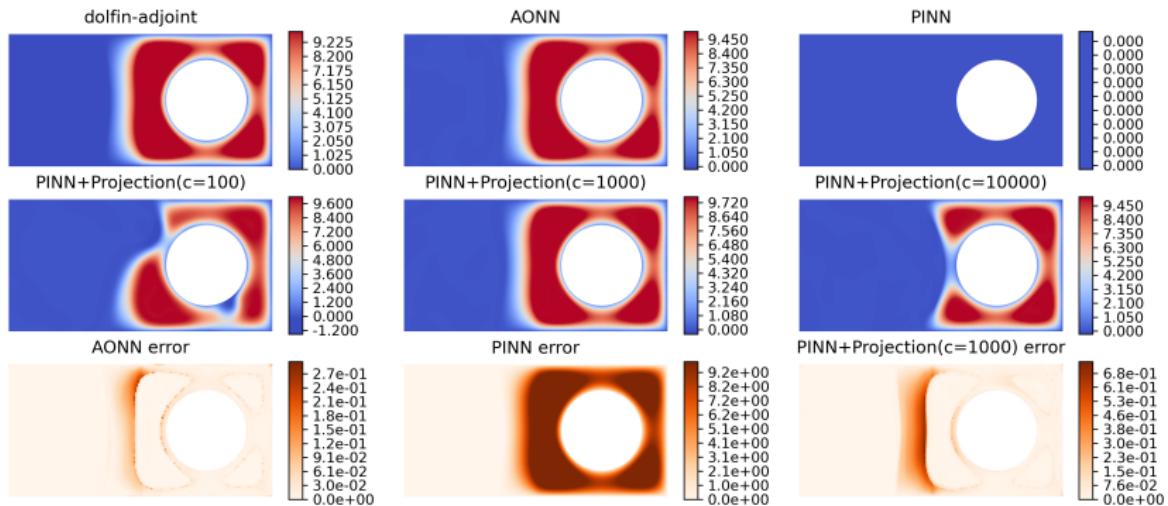


Figure: Test 4: the solution obtained by the dolfin-adjoint solver for a fixed parameter $\mu = (0.3, 2.5)$, the approximate solutions of u obtained by AONN, PINN, PINN+Projection (with different $c = 100, 1000, 10000$), and the absolute errors of the AONN solution and the PINN+Projection solution with $c = \frac{1}{\alpha} = 1000$.

Numerical results

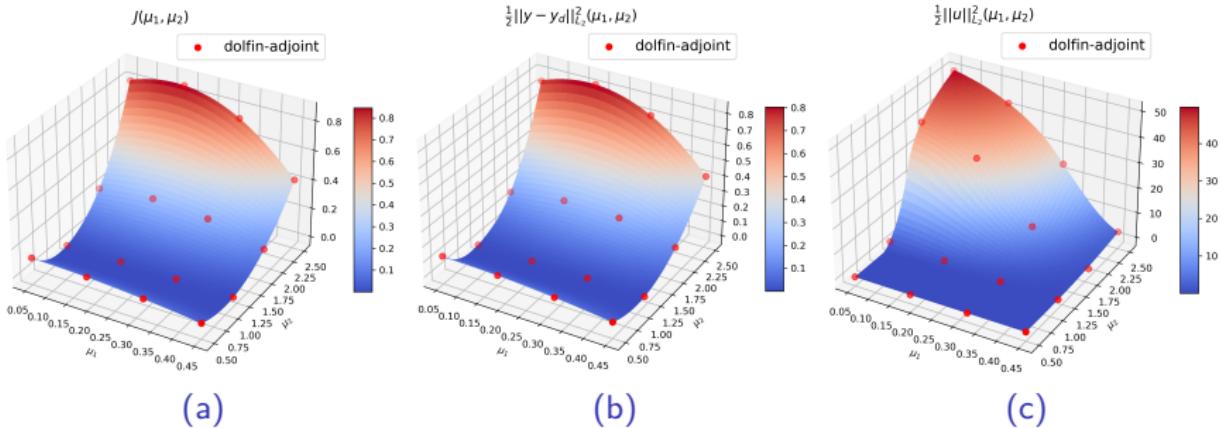


Figure: Test 4: several quantities as functions with respect to parameter $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2)$ obtained by AONN. Each red dot denotes the quantity corresponding to a specific μ computed from the dolfin-adjoint solver. (a) Objective value: J (b) Attainability of the desired state: $\frac{1}{2} \|y - y_d\|_{L_2}^2$. (c) L_2 -norm of control function: $\frac{1}{2} \|u\|_{L_2}^2$.

Numerical results

$$\min_{y(\mu), u(\mu)} J := \frac{1}{2} \|y(\mu) - y_d\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u(\mu)\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \mu \|u(\mu)\|_{L_1(\Omega)},$$

subject to
$$\begin{cases} -\Delta y(\mu) + y(\mu)^3 = u(\mu) & \text{in } \Omega, \\ y(\mu) = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}.$$

and $u_a \leq u(\mu) \leq u_b$ a.e. in Ω .

$$\Omega = B(0, 1),$$

$$\alpha = 0.002, u_a = -12, u_b = 12,$$

$$y_d = 4 \sin(2\pi x_1) \sin(\pi x_2) \exp(x_1),$$

The range of parameter is set to $\mu \in [0, 0.128]$.

Numerical results

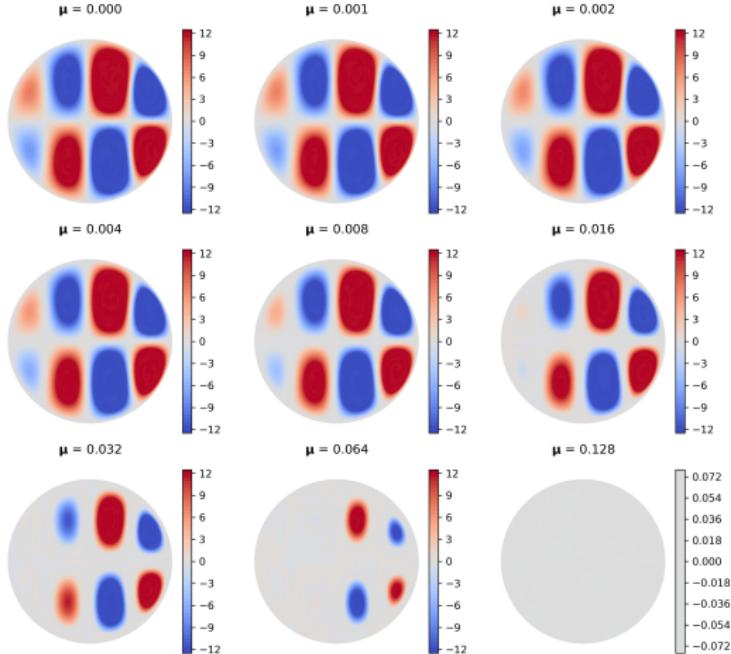


Figure: Test 5: the AONN solutions $u(\mu)$ of representative values for $\mu = 2^i \times 10^{-3}, i = 0, 1, \dots, 8$.

Numerical results

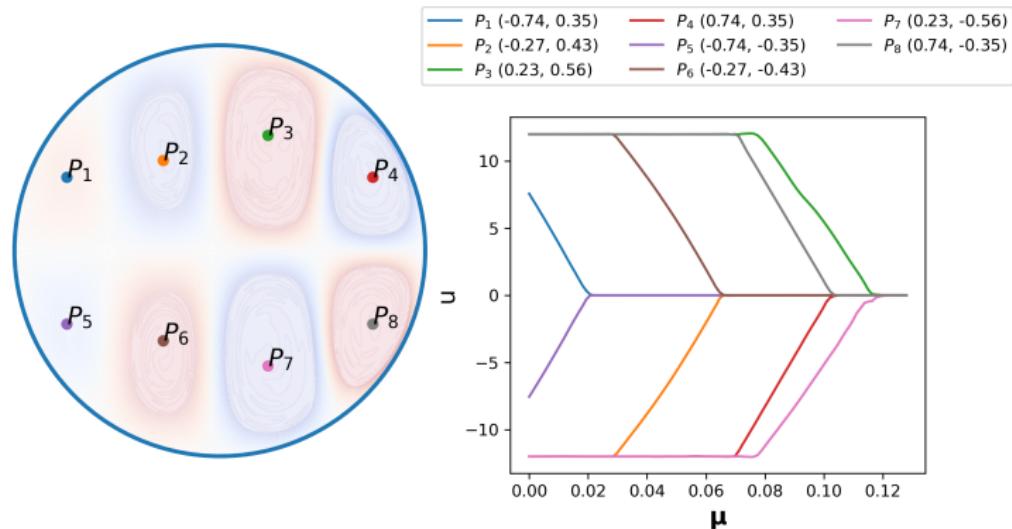


Figure: Test 5: the AONN solution $u(\mu)$ of eight fixed peaks $P_1 \sim P_8$ as a function respect to μ . The legend on the right is the coordinates of the eight points.

Summary and outlook

summary

- develop AONN, an adjoint-oriented neural network method, for computing **all-at-once solutions** to **parametric** optimal control problems.
- integrate the idea of the **direct-adjoint looping (DAL)** approach in neural network approximation.
- meshless, without penalty-based loss function of the complex Karush–Kuhn–Tucker (KKT) system, thereby **reducing the training difficulty** of neural networks and **improving the accuracy** of solutions

outlook

- analysis
- **adaptive sampling**
- large scale problems and realistic applications

Q & A

Thank you for your attention