

# Neural Network Approaches to Conservative-to-Primitive Inversion in Relativistic Hydrodynamics

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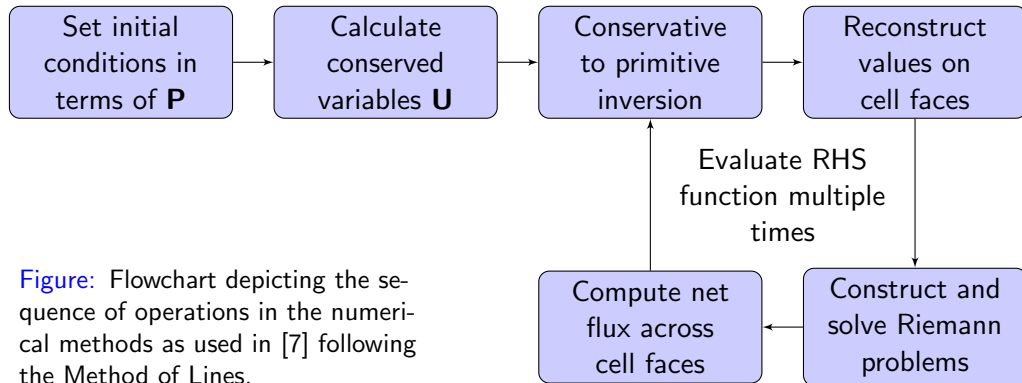
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**Figure:** Flowchart depicting the sequence of operations in the numerical methods as used in [7] following the Method of Lines.

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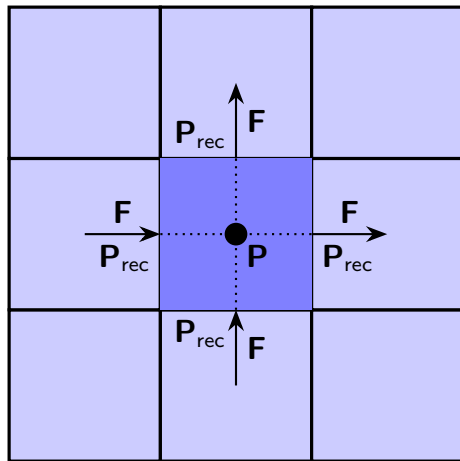


Figure: Illustration of a two-dimensional representation of a grid cell in spacetime.



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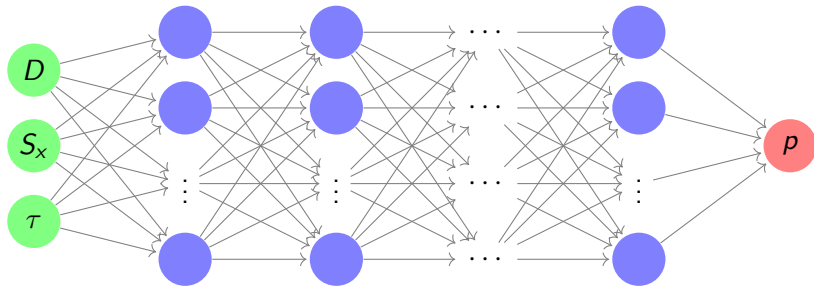
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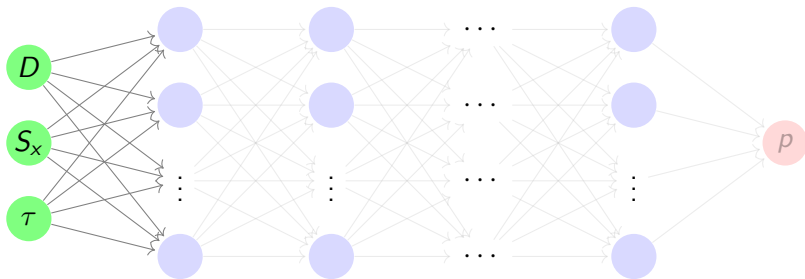
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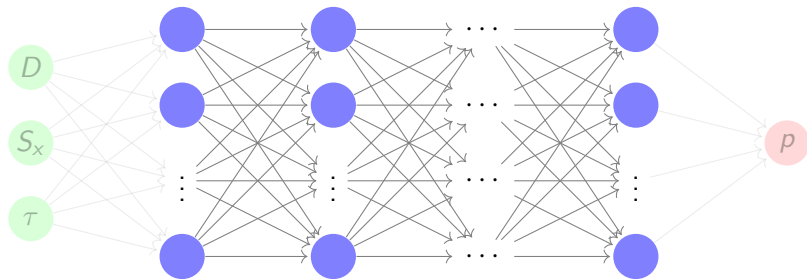
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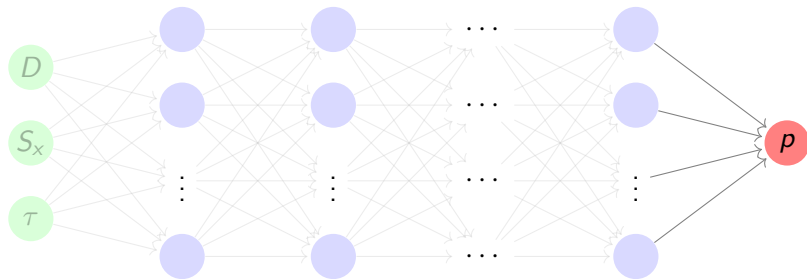
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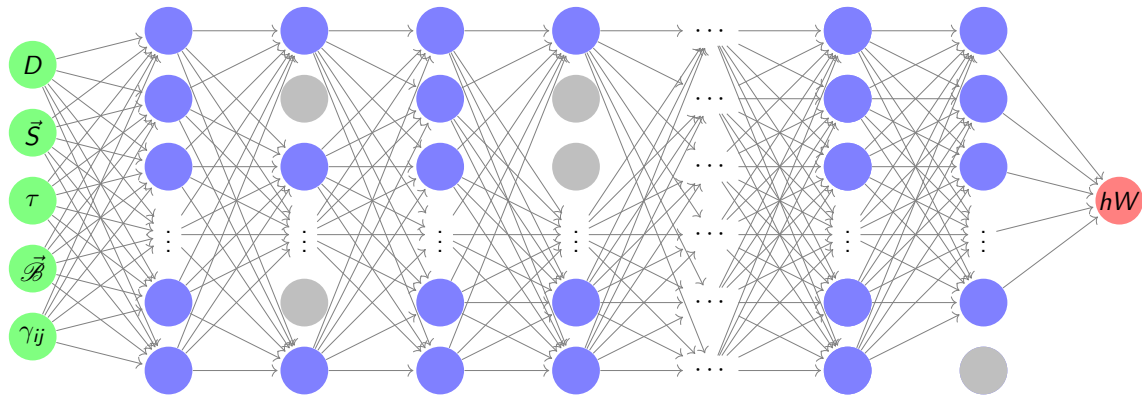


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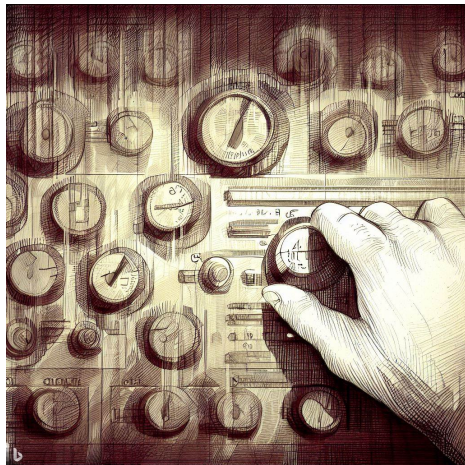
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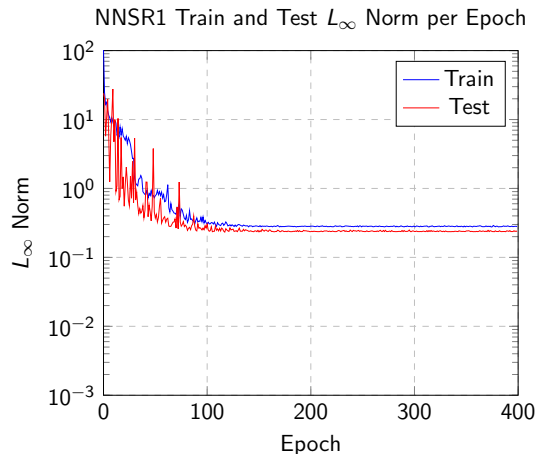
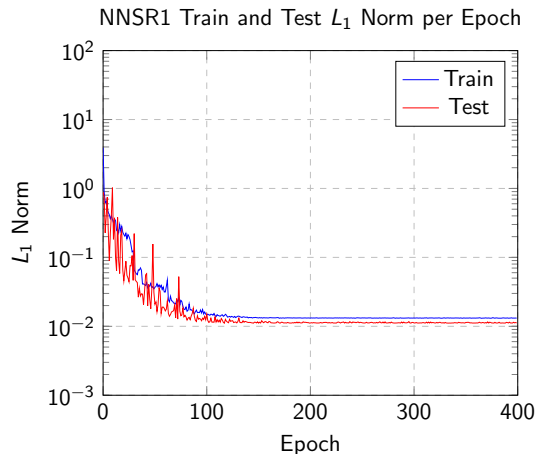


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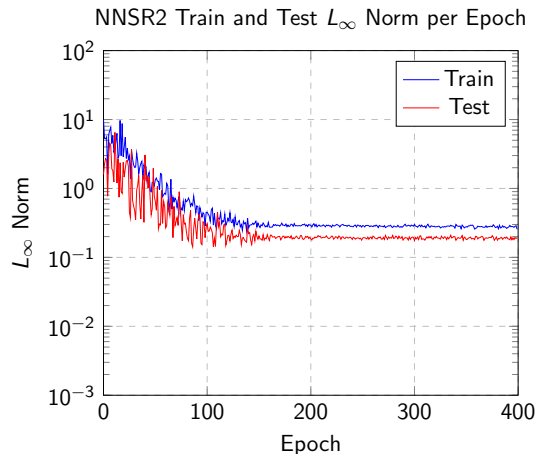
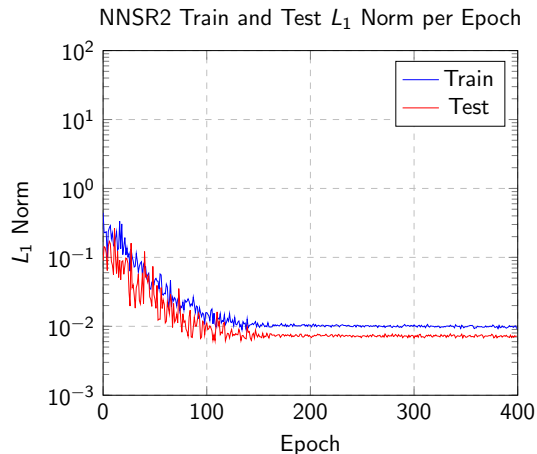


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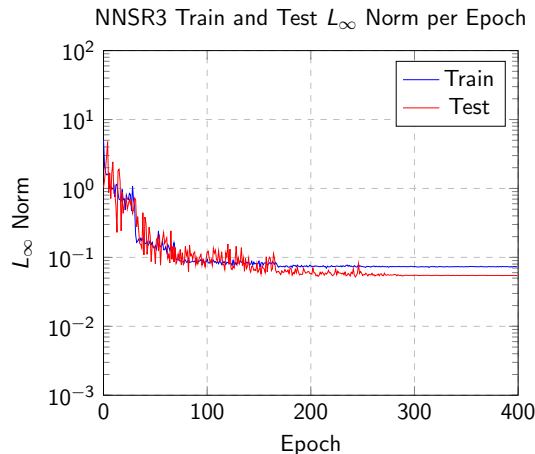
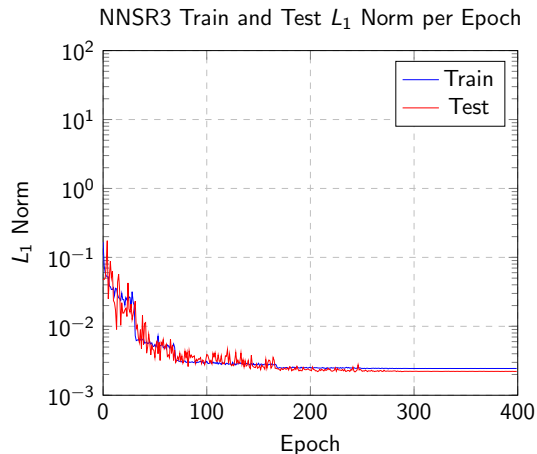


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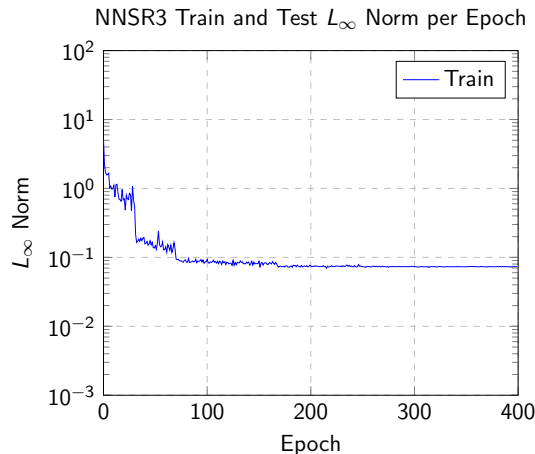
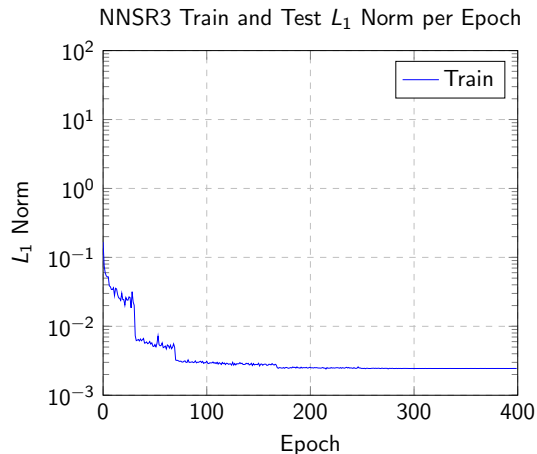


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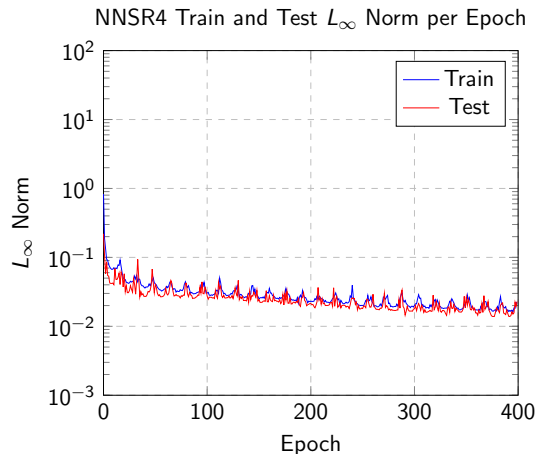
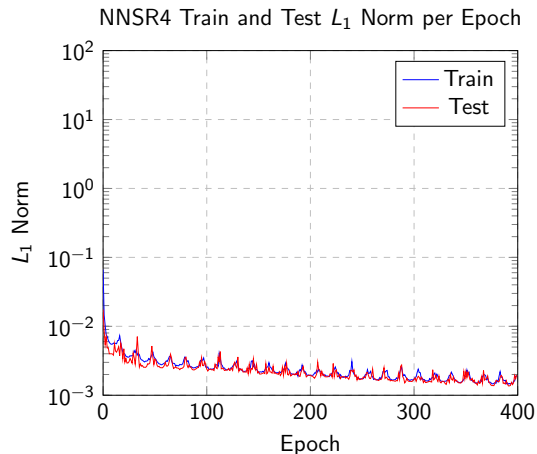


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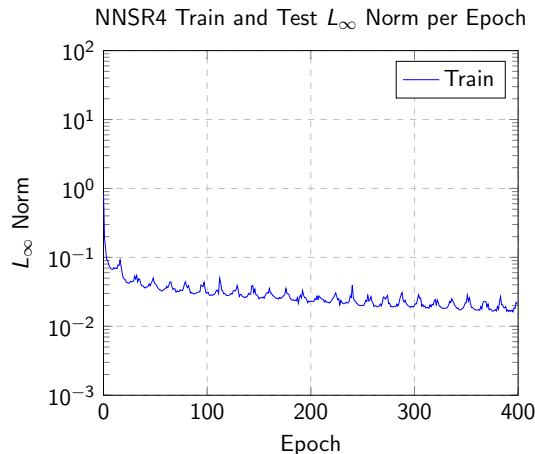
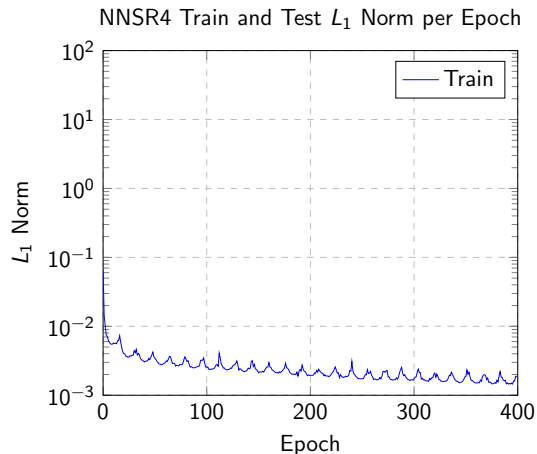


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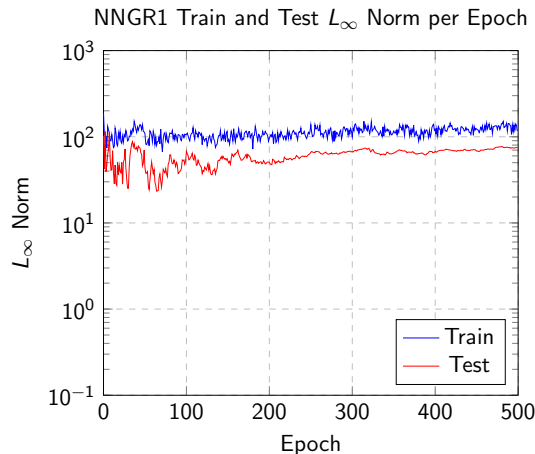
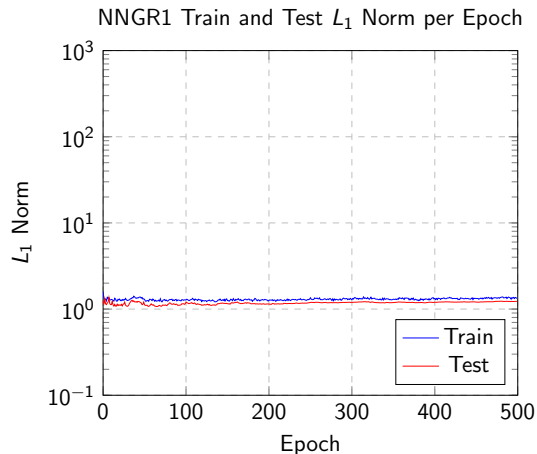


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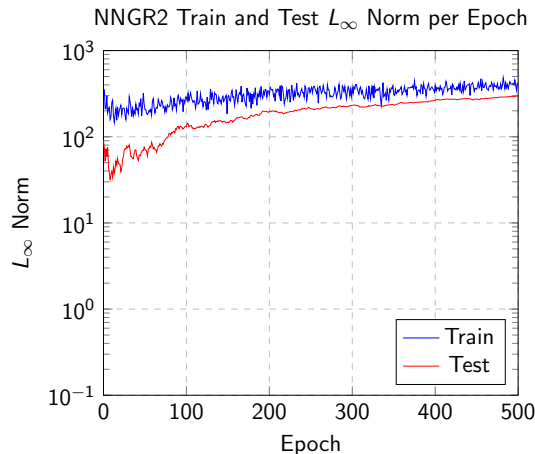
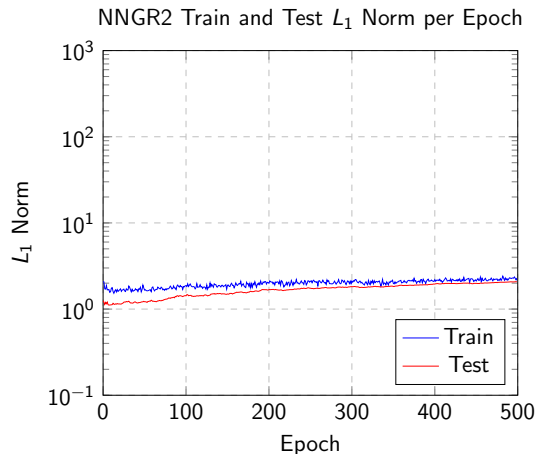


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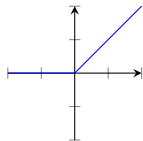
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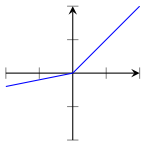
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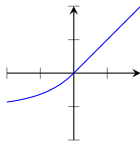
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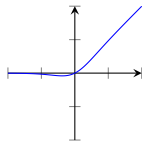
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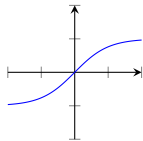
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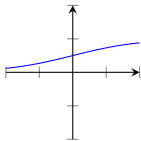
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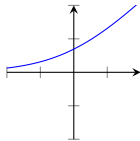
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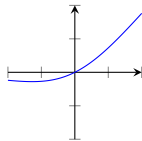
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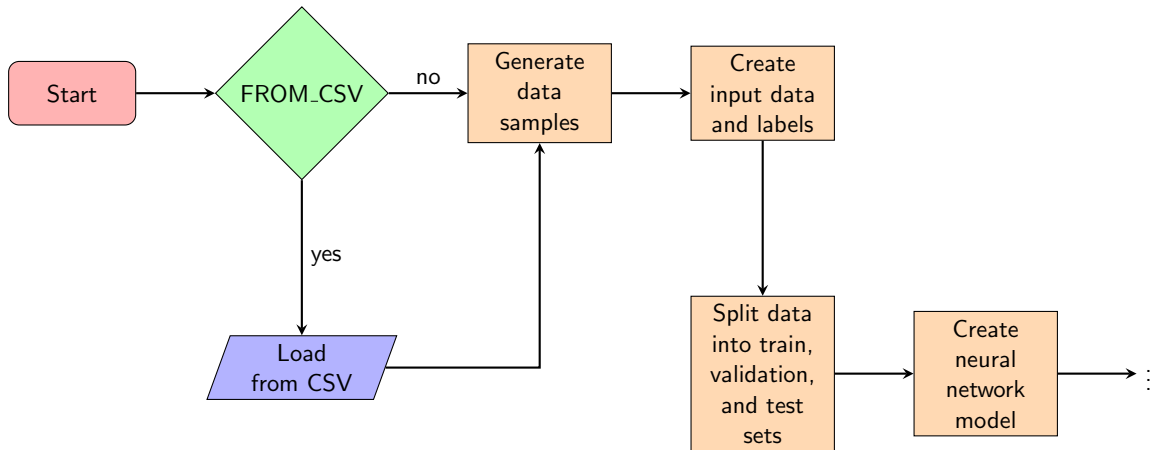


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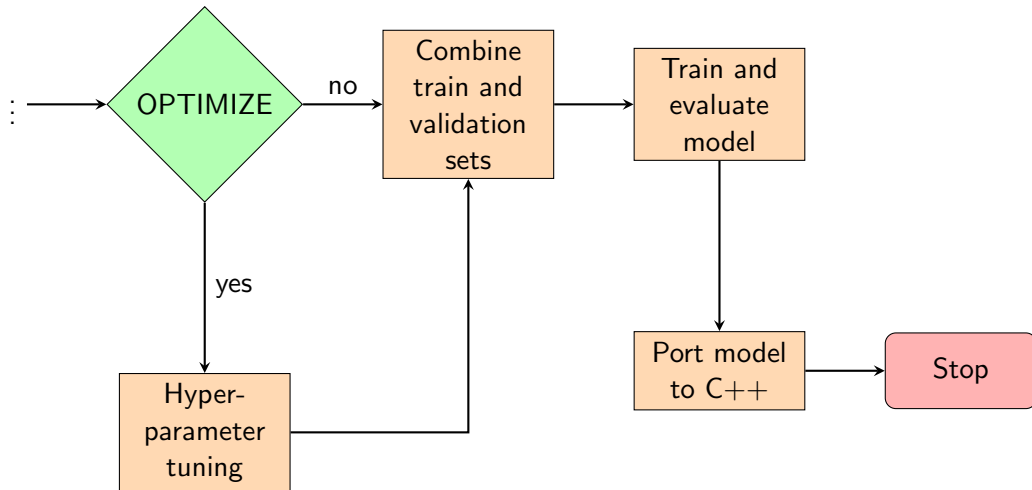


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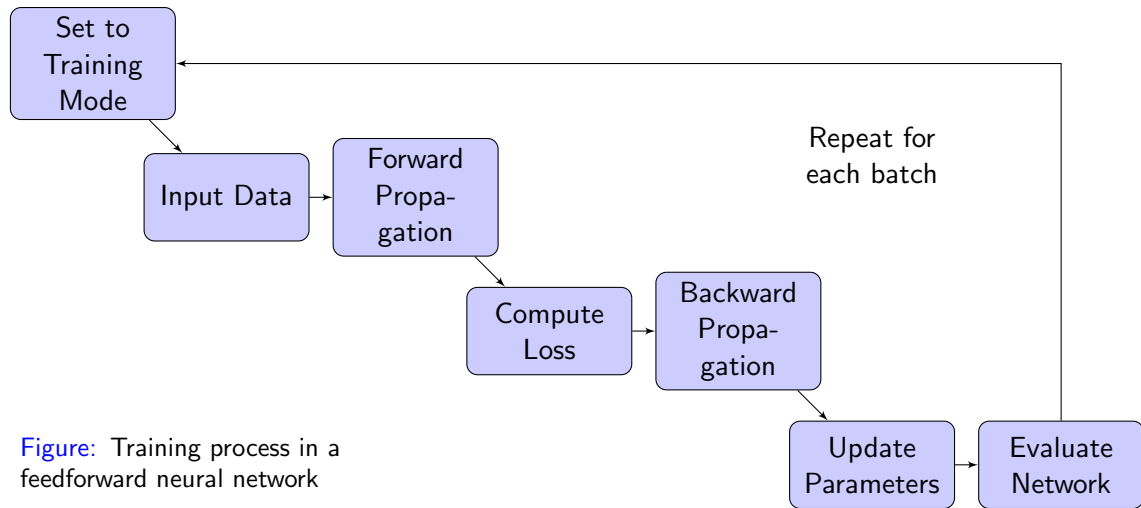
# Selected Hyperparameter search spaces

Selected hyperparameters	Search space for NNSR3	Search space for NNGR
$n_{\text{layers}}$	$1 \leq n_{\text{layers}} \leq 3$	$1 \leq n_{\text{layers}} \leq 5$
$n_{\text{units}}$	$16 \leq n_{\text{units}} \leq 256$	$16 \leq n_{\text{units}} \leq 4096$
Hidden activation function	ReLU, LeakyReLU, ELU, Tanh, Sigmoid	ReLU, LeakyReLU, ELU, PReLU, Swish, GELU, Soft-Plus
Output activation function	Linear, ReLU	Linear
Loss function	MSE, MAE, Huber, LogCosh	MSE, MAE, Huber
Optimizer	Adam, SGD, RMSprop, Ada-grad	Adam, SGD, RMSprop, Ada-grad
Learning rate ( $\eta$ )	$1 \times 10^{-4} \leq \eta \leq 1 \times 10^{-2}$ (log-uniform)	$1 \times 10^{-4} \leq \eta \leq 1 \times 10^{-2}$ (log-uniform)
Scheduler	None, Cos. Ann., Red. Plat., S. LR, Exp. LR	Cos. Ann., Red. Plat., S. LR
Dropout rate ( $p_{\text{dropout}}$ )	—	$0.0 \leq p_{\text{dropout}} \leq 0.5$

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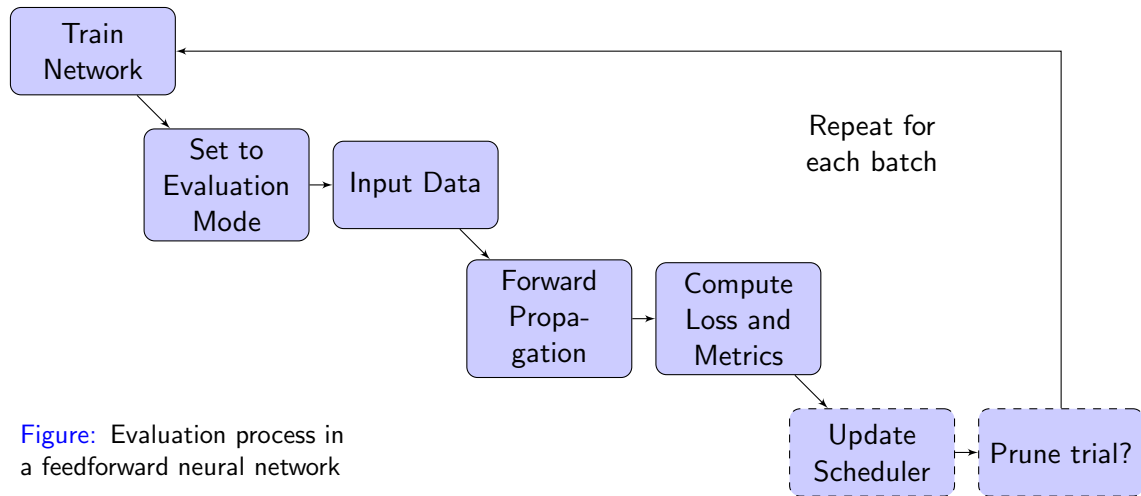
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Scheduler	None, Cos. Ann., Red. Plat., S. LR, Exp. LR	Cos. Ann., Red. Plat., S. LR
Dropout rate ( $p_{\text{dropout}}$ )	—	$0.0 \leq p_{\text{dropout}} \leq 0.5$

# Training Process



**Figure:** Training process in a feedforward neural network

# Evaluation Process



**Figure:** Evaluation process in a feedforward neural network

# Optimization histories for GRMHD models

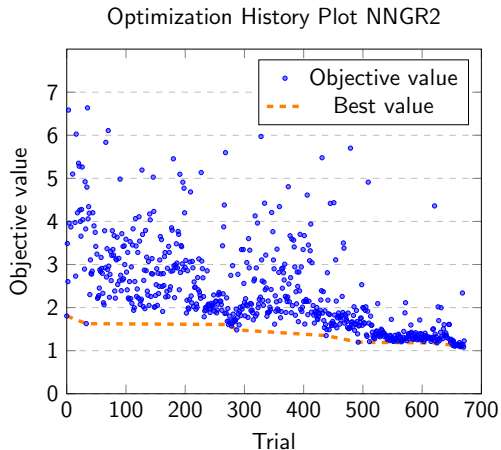
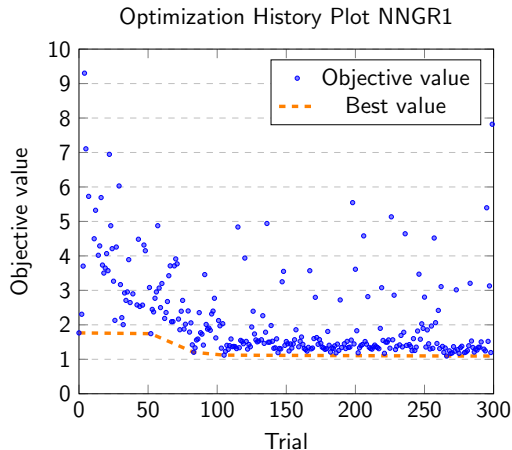


Figure: Optimization history plots for the NNGR1 (left) and NNGR2 (right) models.



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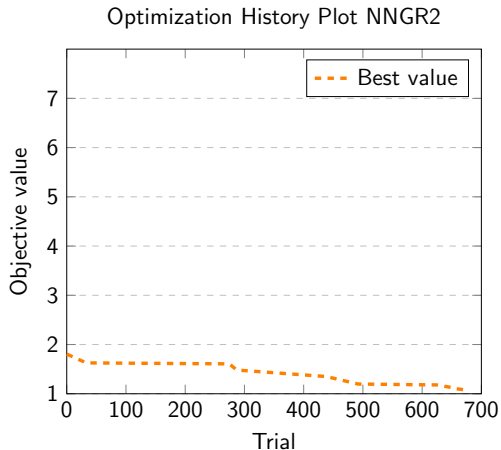
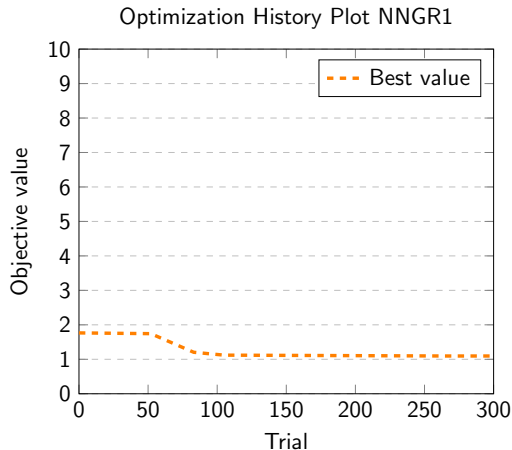
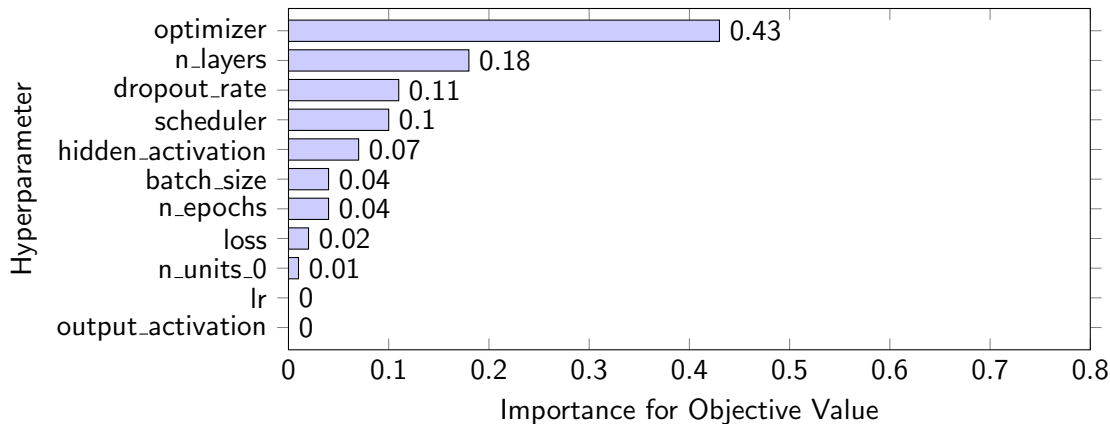


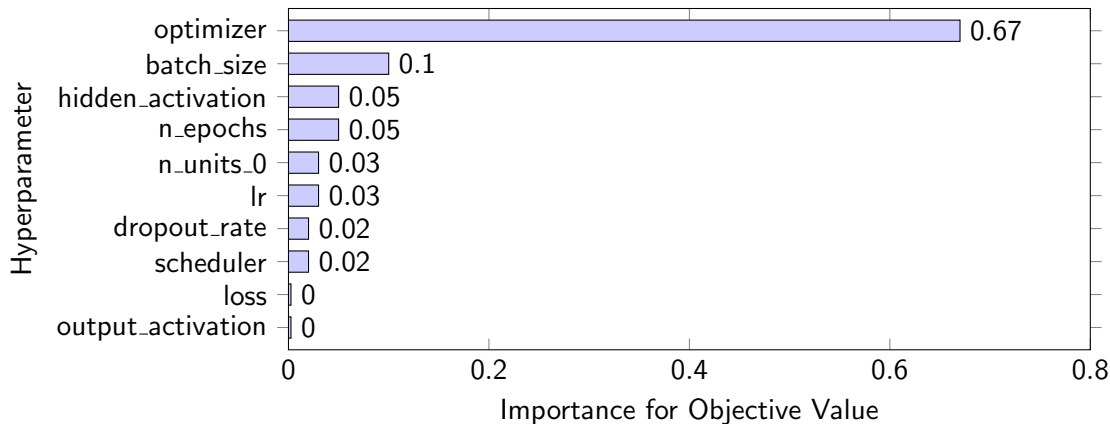
Figure: Optimization history plots for the NNGR1 (left) and NNGR2 (right) models.

# Parameter importances NNGR1



**Figure:** Relative importance of different hyperparameters for the NNGR1 model, represented by their objective value fractions.

# Parameter importances NNGR2



**Figure:** Relative importance of different hyperparameters for the NNGR2 model, represented by their objective value fractions.