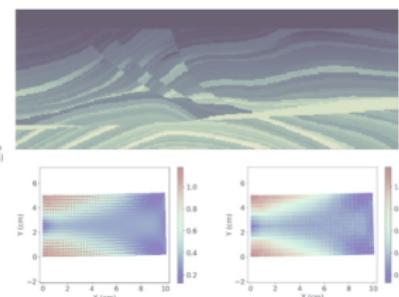
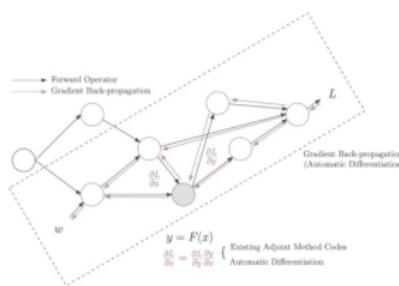
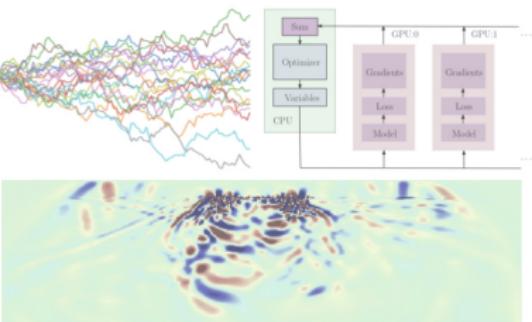


# Machine Learning for Inverse Problems in Computational Engineering

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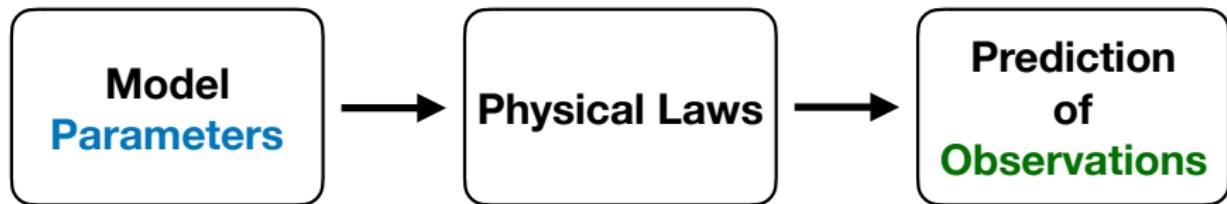
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# Outline

# Inverse Modeling

## Forward Problem

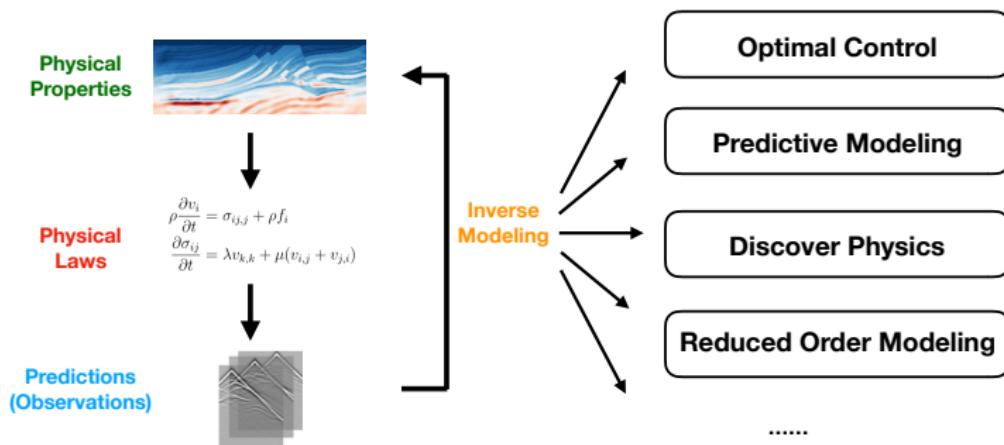


## Inverse Problem



# Inverse Modeling

- **Inverse modeling** identifies a certain set of parameters or functions with which the outputs of the forward analysis matches the desired result or measurement.
- Many real life engineering problems can be formulated as inverse modeling problems: shape optimization for improving the performance of structures, optimal control of fluid dynamic systems, etc.t



# Inverse Modeling

We can formulate inverse modeling as a PDE-constrained optimization problem

$$\min_{\theta} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\theta, u_h) = 0$$

- The **loss function**  $L_h$  measures the discrepancy between the prediction  $u_h$  and the observation  $u_{\text{obs}}$ , e.g.,  $L_h(u_h) = \|u_h - u_{\text{obs}}\|_2^2$ .
- $\theta$  is the **model parameter** to be calibrated.
- The **physics constraints**  $F_h(\theta, u_h) = 0$  are described by a system of partial differential equations. Solving for  $u_h$  may require solving linear systems or applying an iterative algorithm such as the Newton-Raphson method.

# Function Inverse Problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\mathbf{f}, u_h) = 0$$

What if the unknown is a **function** instead of a set of parameters?

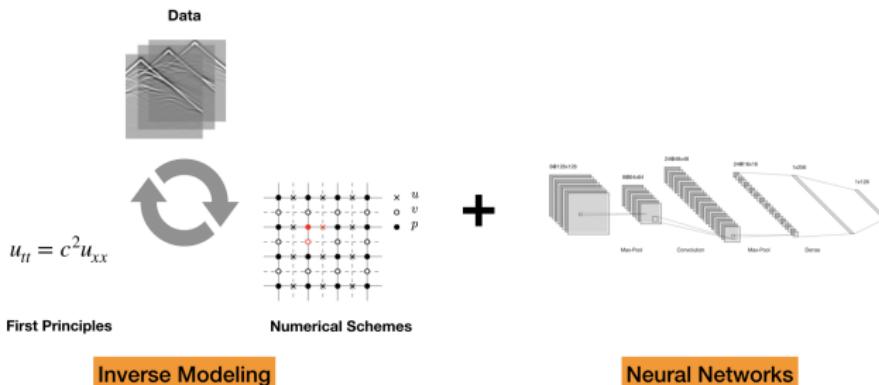
- Koopman operator in dynamical systems.
- Constitutive relations in solid mechanics.
- Turbulent closure relations in fluid mechanics.
- ...

The candidate solution space is **infinite dimensional**.

# Machine Learning for Computational Engineering

$$\min_{\theta} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\text{NN}_{\theta}, u_h) = 0$$

- Deep neural networks exhibit capability of approximating high dimensional and complicated functions.
- **Machine Learning for Computational Engineering:** the unknown function is approximated by a deep neural network, and the physical constraints are enforced by numerical schemes.
- Satisfy the physics to the largest extent.

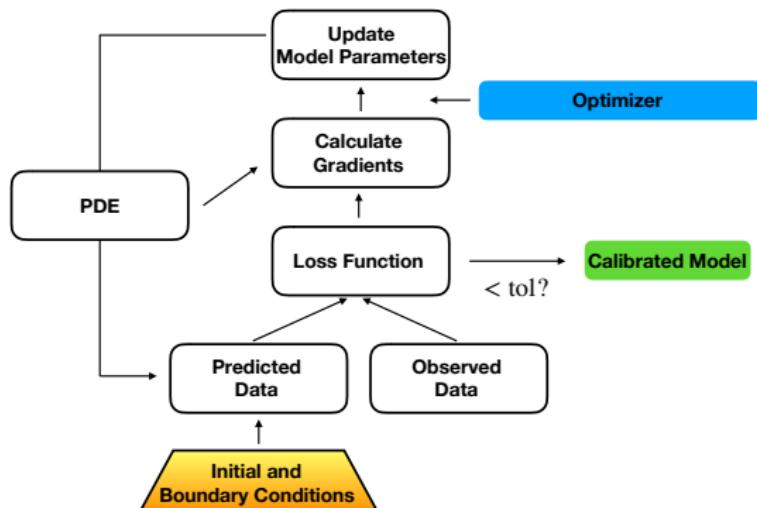


# Gradient Based Optimization

$$\min_{\theta} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\theta, u_h) = 0 \quad (1)$$

- We can now apply a gradient-based optimization method to (??).
- The key is to calculate the gradient descent direction  $g^k$

$$\theta^{k+1} \leftarrow \theta^k - \alpha g^k$$



# Outline

# Automatic Differentiation

The fact that bridges the **technical** gap between machine learning and inverse modeling:

- Deep learning (and many other machine learning techniques) and numerical schemes share the same computational model: composition of individual operators.

## Mathematical Fact

Back-propagation

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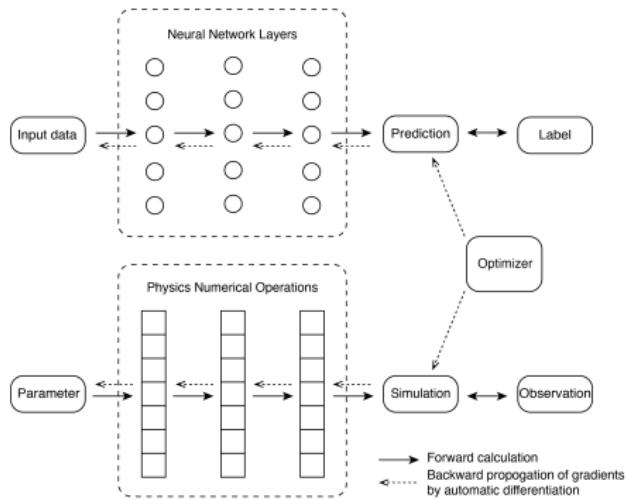
Reverse-mode

Automatic Differentiation

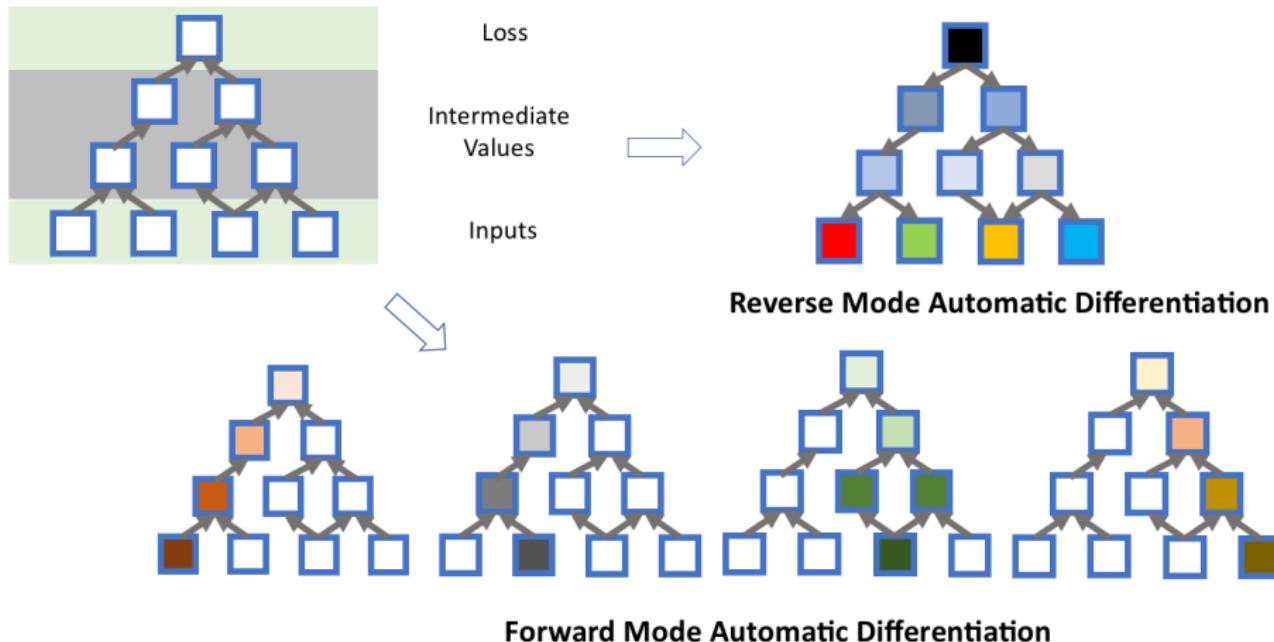
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Discrete

Adjoint-State Method



# Automatic Differentiation: Forward-mode and Reverse-mode



# What is the Appropriate Model for Inverse Problems?

- In general, for a function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Mode	Suitable for ...	Complexity <sup>1</sup>	Application
Forward	$m \gg n$	$\leq 2.5 \text{ OPS}(f(x))$	UQ
Reverse	$m \ll n$	$\leq 4 \text{ OPS}(f(x))$	Inverse Modeling

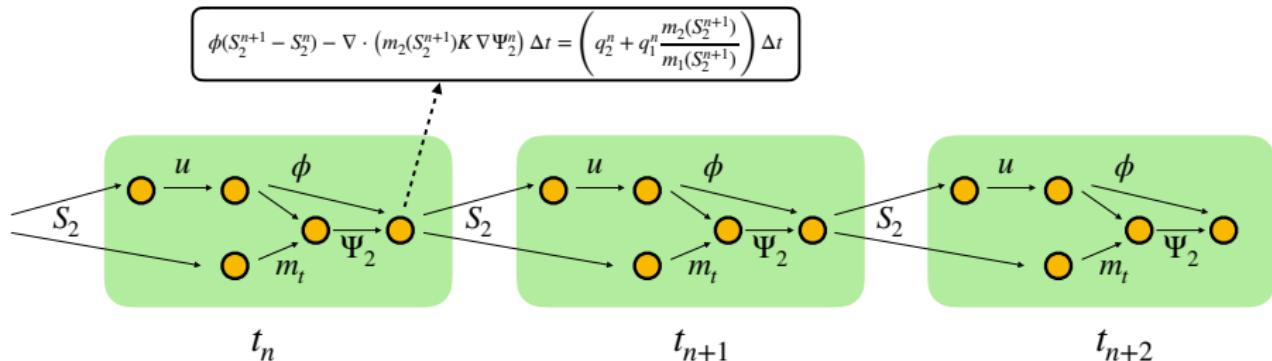
- There are also many other interesting topics
  - Mixed mode AD: many-to-many mappings.
  - Computing sparse Jacobian matrices using AD by exploiting sparse structures.

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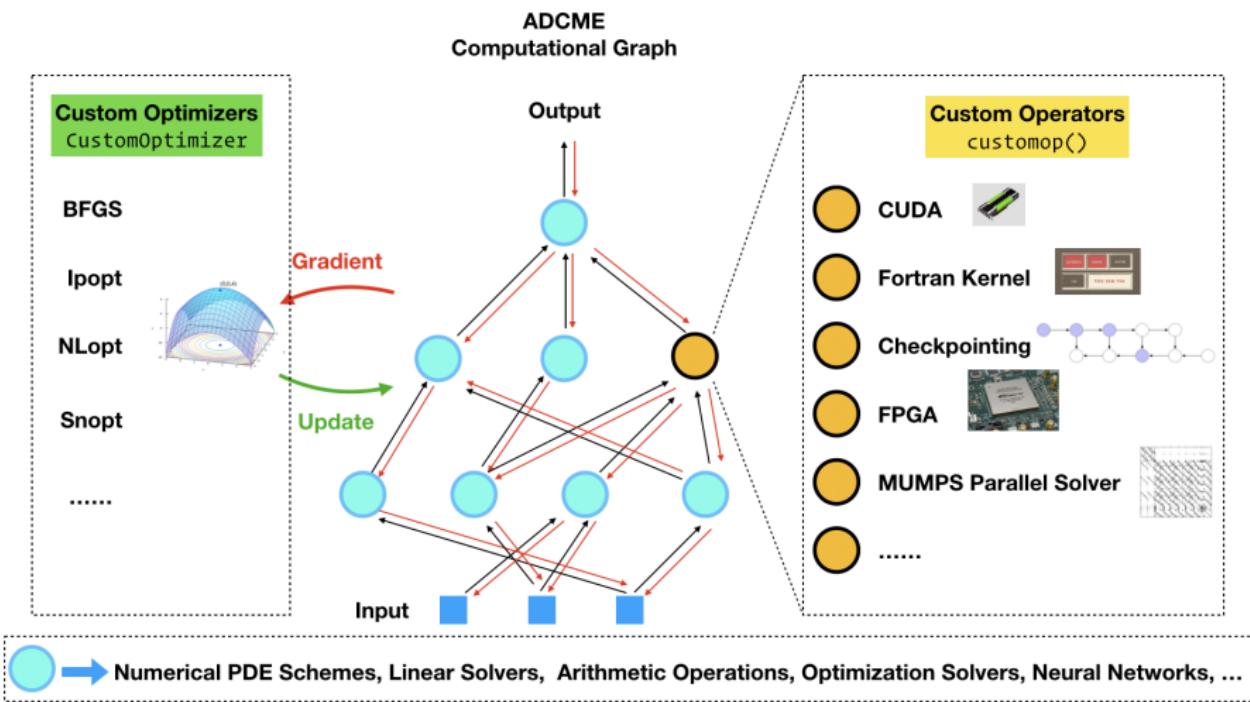
<sup>1</sup>OPS is a metric for complexity in terms of fused-multiply adds.

# Computational Graph for Numerical Schemes

- To leverage automatic differentiation for inverse modeling, we need to express the numerical schemes in the “AD language”: computational graph.
- No matter how complicated a numerical scheme is, it can be decomposed into a collection of operators that are interlinked via state variable dependencies.

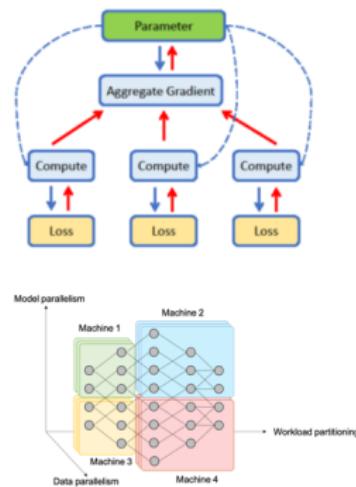


# ADCME: Computational-Graph-based Numerical Simulation

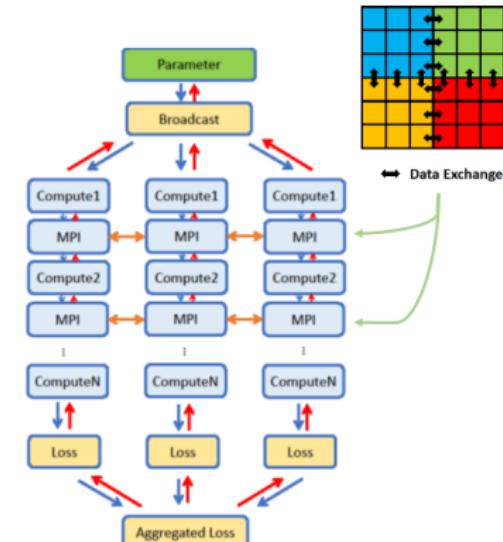


# Parallel Computing

- Parallel computing is essential for accelerating simulation and satisfying demanding memory requirements.



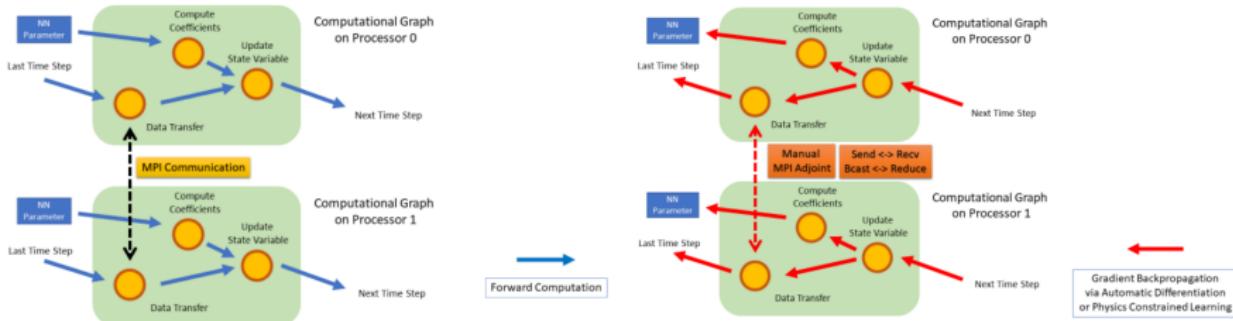
Deep Learning Data/Model Parallelism



Scientific Computing Mixed Parallelism

# Distributed Optimization

- ADCME also supports MPI-based distributed computing. The parallel model is designed specially for scientific computing.

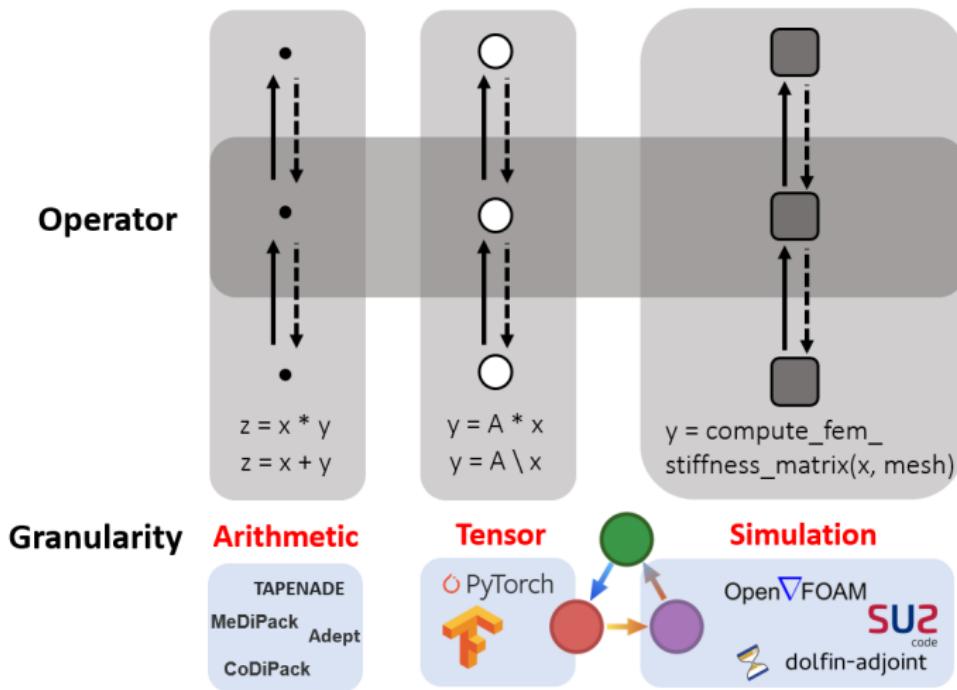


- Key idea: **Everything is an operator**. Computation and communications are converters of data streams (tensors) through the computational graph.

`mpi_bcast, mpi_sum, mpi_send, mpi_recv, mpi_halo_exchange, ...`

# Granularity of Automatic Differentiation

- Coarser granularity gives researchers more control over gradient back-propagation.



# Outline

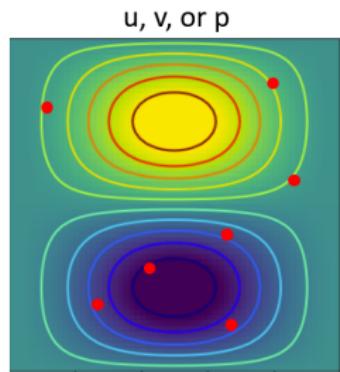
# Inverse Modeling of the Stokes Equation

- The governing equation for the Stokes problem

$$\begin{aligned}-\nu \Delta u + \nabla p &= f && \text{in } \Omega \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega \\ u &= 0 && \text{on } \partial\Omega\end{aligned}$$

- The weak form is given by

$$\begin{aligned}(\nu \nabla u, \nabla v) - (p, \nabla \cdot v) &= (f, v) \\ (\nabla \cdot u, q) &= 0\end{aligned}$$



# Inverse Modeling of the Stokes Equation

```
nu = Variable(0.5)
K = nu*constant(compute_fem_laplace_matrix(m, n, h))
B = constant(compute_interaction_matrix(m, n, h))
Z = [K -B'
-B spdiag(zeros(size(B,1)))]  
  
# Impose boundary conditions
bd = bcnode("all", m, n, h)
bd = [bd; bd .+ (m+1)*(n+1); ((1:m) .+ 2*(m+1)*(n+1))]
Z, _ = fem_impose_Dirichlet_boundary_condition1(Z, bd, m, n, h)  
  
# Calculate the source term
F1 = eval_f_on_gauss_pts(f1func, m, n, h)
F2 = eval_f_on_gauss_pts(f2func, m, n, h)
F = compute_fem_source_term(F1, F2, m, n, h)
rhs = [F;zeros(m*n)]
rhs[bd] .= 0.0  
  
sol = Z\rhs
```

# Inverse Modeling of the Stokes Equation

- The distinguished feature compared to traditional forward simulation programs: **the model output is differentiable with respect to model parameters!**

```
loss = sum((sol[idx] - observation[idx])^2)  
g = gradients(loss, nu)
```

- Optimization with a one-liner:

```
BFGS!(sess, loss)
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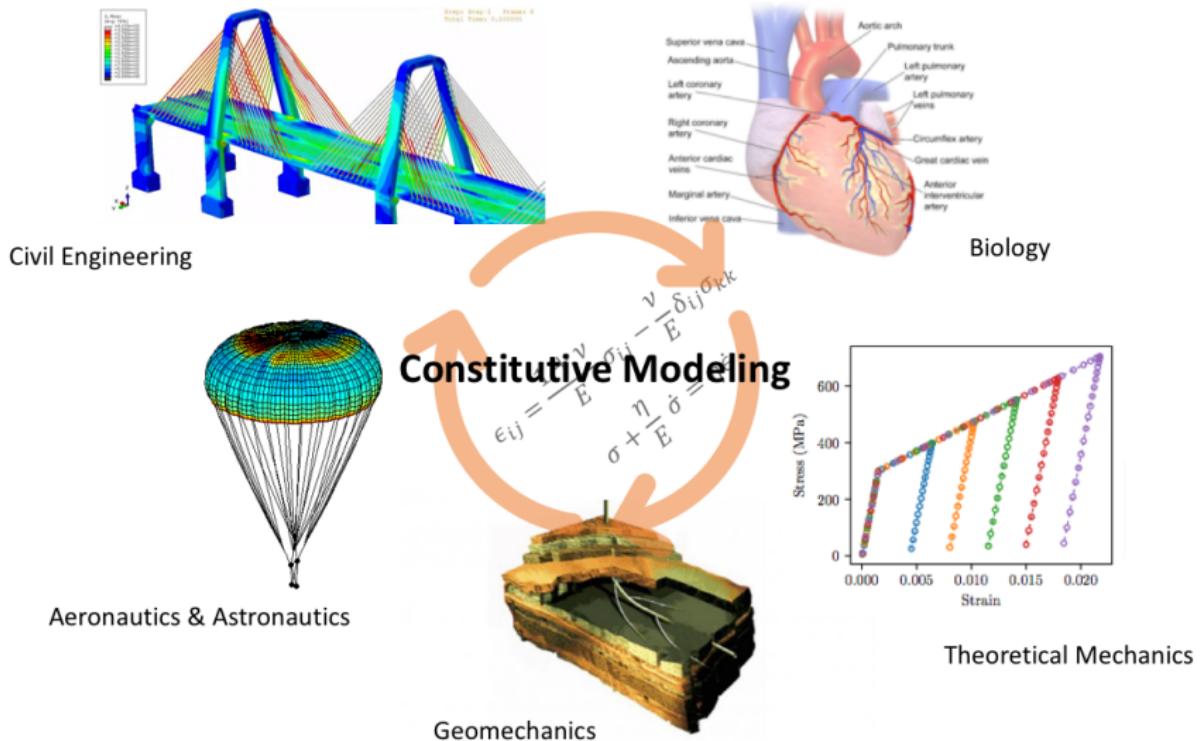
ADCME/AdFem



Simulation Program

# Outline

# Constitutive Modeling



# Governing Equations

$$\underbrace{\sigma_{ij,j}}_{\text{stress}} + \rho \underbrace{b_i}_{\text{external force}} = \rho \underbrace{\ddot{u}_i}_{\text{velocity}} \quad (2)$$
$$\underbrace{\varepsilon_{ij}}_{\text{strain}} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{j,i} + u_{i,j})$$

- **Observable:** external/body force  $b_i$ , displacements  $u_i$  (strains  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  can be computed from  $u_i$ ); density  $\rho$  is known.
- **Unobservable:** stress  $\sigma_{ij}$ .
- Data-driven Constitutive Relations: modeling the strain-stress relation using a neural network

$$\boxed{\text{stress} = \mathcal{M}_\theta(\text{strain}, \dots)} \quad (3)$$

and the neural network is trained by coupling Eq. ?? and Eq. ??.

# Residual Learning using Full-field Data

- Weak form of balance equations of linear momentum

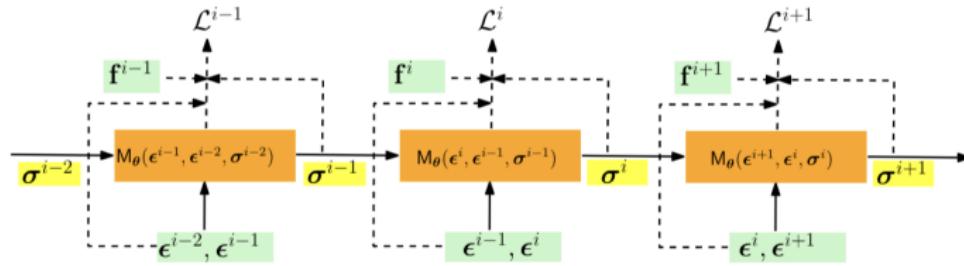
$$P_i(\theta) = \int_V \rho \ddot{u}_i \delta u_i dV t + \int_V \underbrace{\sigma_{ij}(\theta)}_{\text{embedded neural network}} \delta \varepsilon_{ij} dV$$

$$F_i = \int_V \rho b_i \delta u_i dV + \int_{\partial V} t_i \delta u_i dS$$

- Train the neural network by

$$L(\theta) = \min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^N (P_i(\theta) - F_i)^2$$

The gradient  $\nabla L(\theta)$  is computed via automatic differentiation.



# Representation of Constitutive Relations

- Proper form of constitutive relation is crucial for numerical stability

$$\text{Elasticity} \Rightarrow \sigma = C_\theta \epsilon$$

$$\text{Hyperelasticity} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma = M_\theta(\epsilon) \\ \sigma^{n+1} = L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1})L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1})^T(\epsilon^{n+1} - \epsilon^n) + \sigma^n \end{cases} \quad (\text{Static}) \quad (\text{Dynamic})$$

$$\text{Elasto-Plasticity} \Rightarrow \sigma^{n+1} = L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1}, \epsilon^n, \sigma^n)L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1}, \epsilon^n, \sigma^n)^T(\epsilon^{n+1} - \epsilon^n) + \sigma^n$$

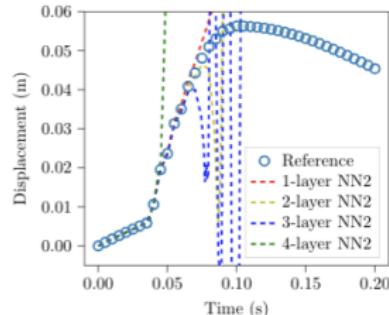
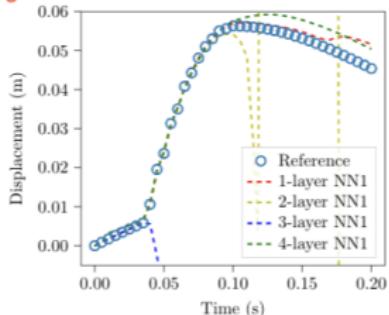
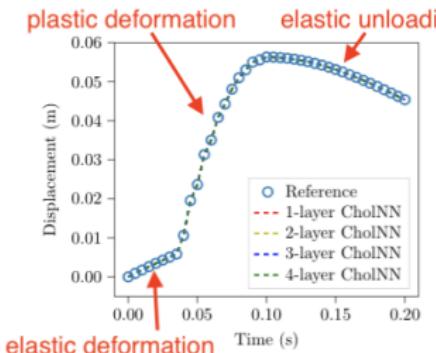
$$L_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} L_{1111} & & & & & \\ L_{2211} & L_{2222} & & & & \\ L_{3311} & L_{3322} & L_{3333} & & & \\ & & & L_{2323} & & \\ & & & & L_{1313} & \\ & & & & & L_{1212} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Weak convexity:**  $L_\theta L_\theta^T \succ 0$
- Time consistency:**  $\sigma^{n+1} \rightarrow \sigma^n$  when  $\epsilon^{n+1} \rightarrow \epsilon^n$

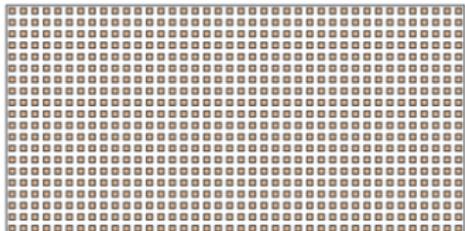
# Modeling Elasto-plasticity

- Comparison of different neural network architectures

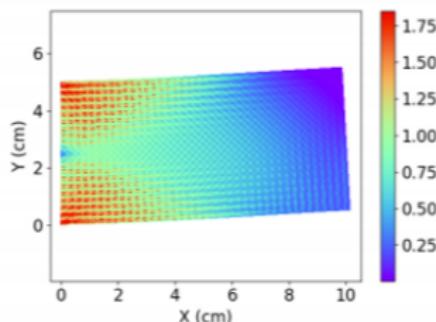
$$\sigma^{n+1} = L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1}, \epsilon^n, \sigma^n) L_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1}, \epsilon^n, \sigma^n)^T (\epsilon^{n+1} - \epsilon^n) + \sigma^n$$
$$\sigma^{n+1} = \text{NN}_\theta(\epsilon^{n+1}, \epsilon^n, \sigma^n)$$
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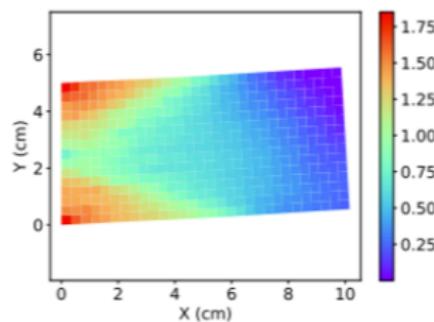
# Modeling Elasto-plasticity: Multi-scale



**Fiber Reinforced Thin Plate**



**Reference von Mises stress**



**SPD-NN**

# Static Hyperelasticity Problem

- Consider an axisymmetric Mooney-Rivlin hyperelastic incompressible material with an energy density function

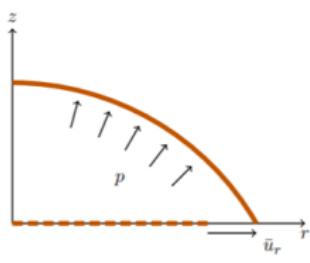
$$W(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) = \mu(\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 - 3) + \alpha(\lambda_1^2\lambda_2^2 + \lambda_2^2\lambda_3^2 + \lambda_3^2\lambda_1^2 - 3)$$

$$J = \lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3 = 1$$

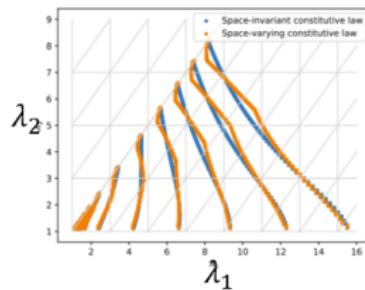
- The constitutive relations is modeled as

$$\mathcal{N}_\theta : (\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \rightarrow (P_1, P_2)$$

Here  $(P_1, P_2)$  is the stress tensor.

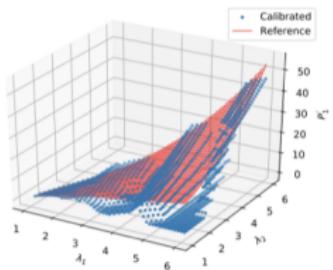


Rubber Membrane

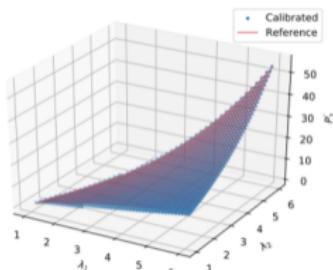


$(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  Distribution

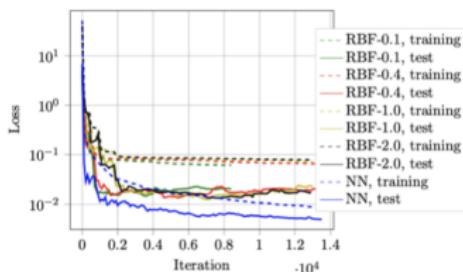
# Comparison with Traditional Basis Functions



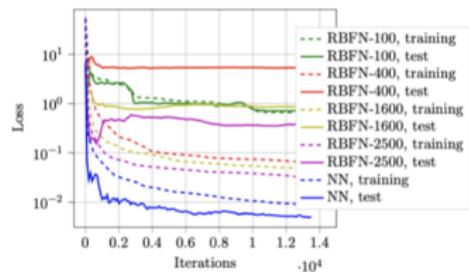
Piecewise Linear



Neural Network



Radial Basis Functions  
vs.  
Neural Network



Radial Basis Function Networks  
vs.  
Neural Network

# Learning Spatially-varying fields

- Hyperelasticity: minimizing the neo-Hookean stored energy

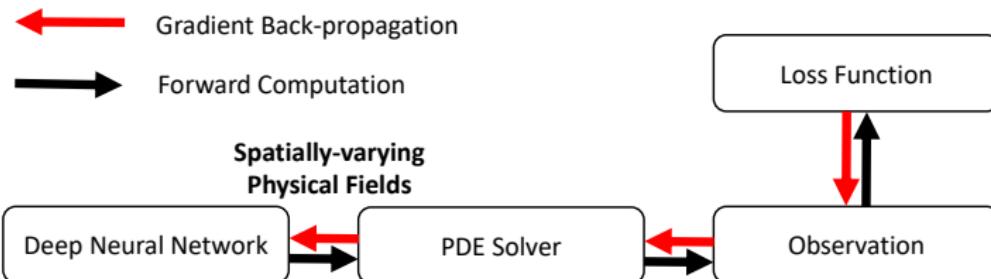
$$\min_u \psi = \frac{\mu}{2}(I_c - 2) - \frac{\mu}{2} \log(J) + \frac{\lambda}{8} \log(J)^2$$

where

$$F = I + \nabla u, \quad C = F^T F, \quad J = \det(C), \quad I_c = \text{trace}(C)$$

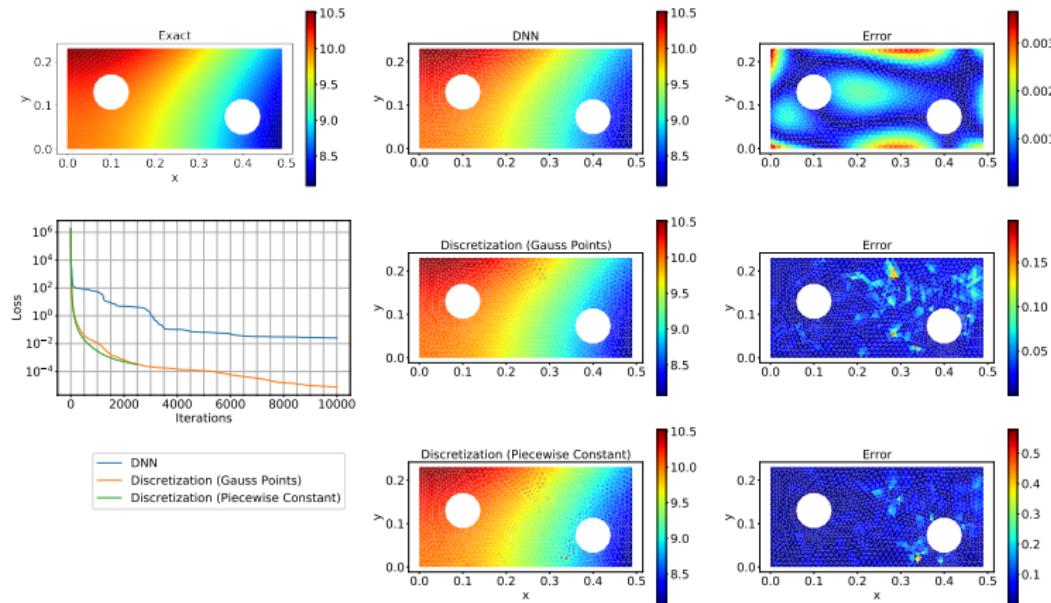
- Lamé parameters

$$\lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)}, \quad \mu = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)}$$



# Learning Spatially-varying fields

- DNN provides expressive data-driven models and regularization (e.g., spatial dependencies).



# Poroelasticity

- Multi-physics Interaction of Coupled Geomechanics and Multi-Phase Flow Equations

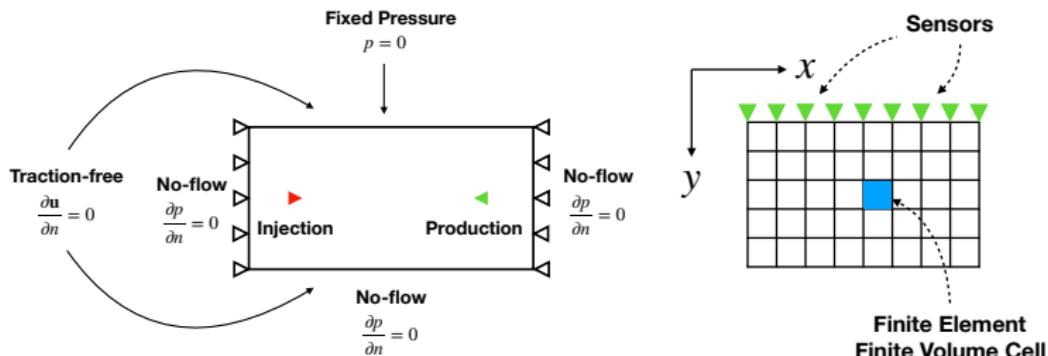
$$\operatorname{div}\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) - b\nabla p = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{M} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + b \frac{\partial \epsilon_v(\mathbf{u})}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{k}{B_f \mu} \nabla p \right) = f(x, t)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \dot{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}})$$

- Approximate the constitutive relation by a neural network

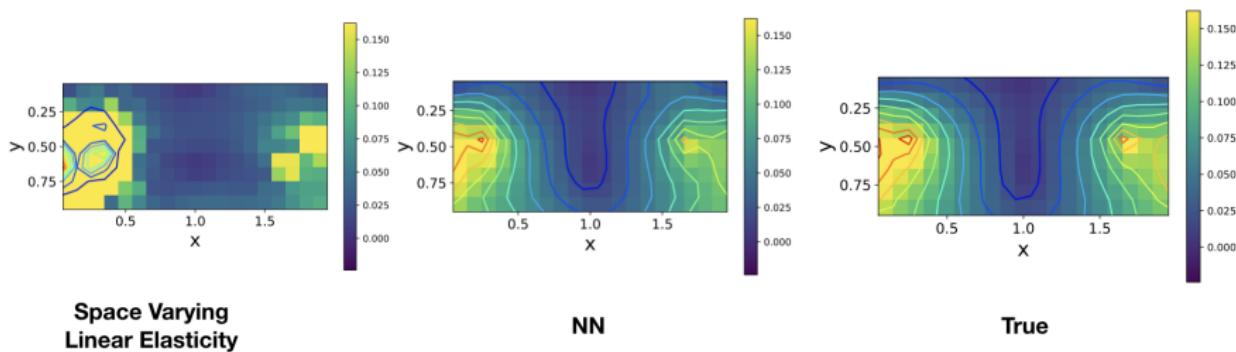
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{n+1} = \mathcal{NN}_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^n, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^n) + H\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{n+1}$$



# Poroelasticity

- Comparison with space varying linear elasticity approximation

$$\sigma = H(x, y)\epsilon$$

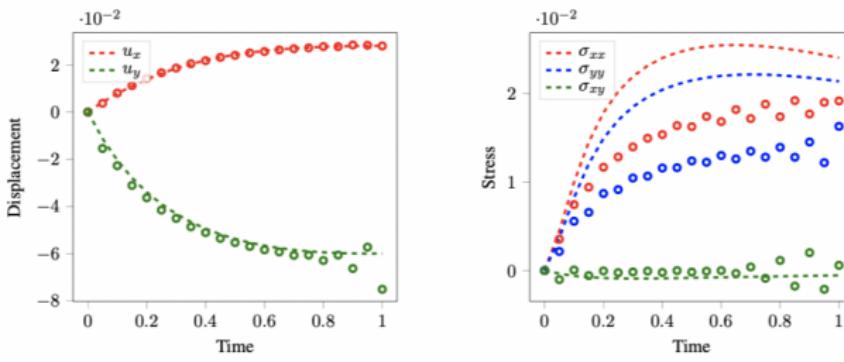


Space Varying  
Linear Elasticity

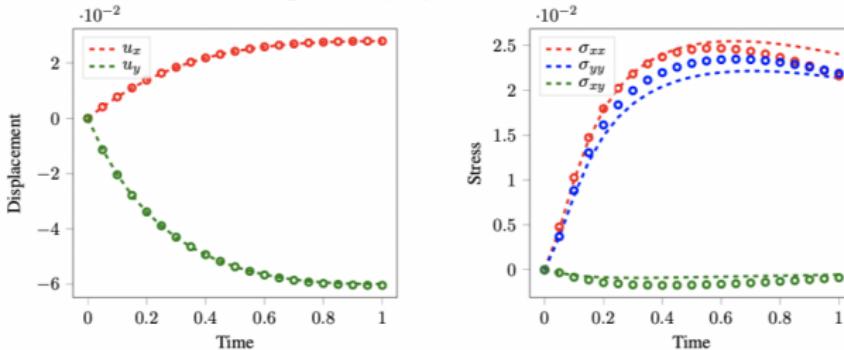
NN

True

# Poroelasticity



(a) Space Varying Linear Elasticity



(b) NN-based Viscoelasticity

# A Paradigm for Inverse Modeling

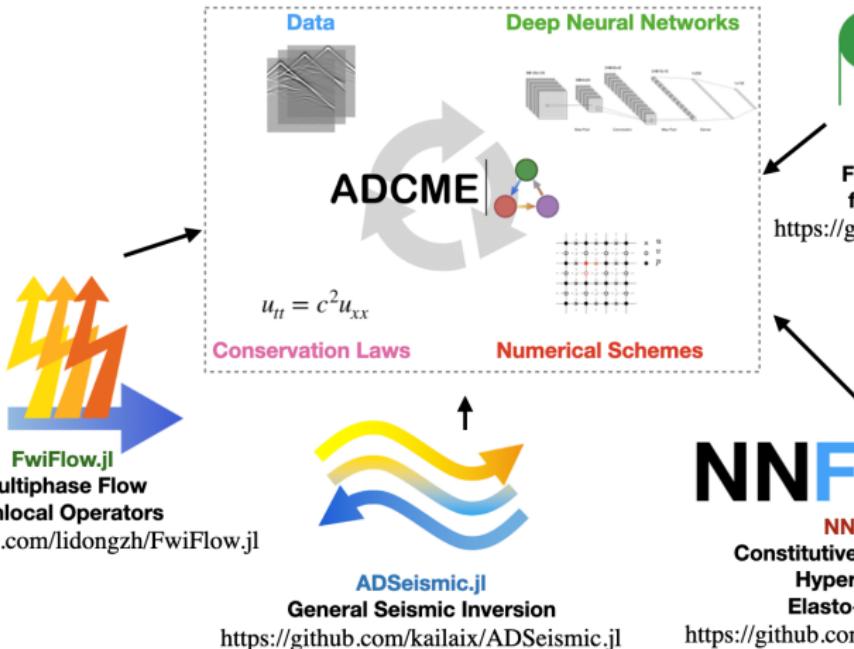
- Most inverse modeling problems can be classified into 4 categories.  
To be more concrete, consider the PDE for describing physics

$$\nabla \cdot (\theta \nabla u(x)) = 0 \quad \mathcal{BC}(u(x)) = 0 \quad (4)$$

We observe some quantities depending on the solution  $u$  and want to estimate  $\theta$ .

Expression	Description	ADCME Solution	Note
$\nabla \cdot (\textcolor{red}{c} \nabla u(x)) = 0$	Parameter Inverse Problem	Discrete Adjoint State Method	$c$ is the minimizer of the error functional
$\nabla \cdot (\textcolor{red}{f}(x) \nabla u(x)) = 0$	Function Inverse Problem	Neural Network Functional Approximator	$f(x) \approx \mathcal{NN}_w(x)$
$\nabla \cdot (\textcolor{red}{f}(u) \nabla u(x)) = 0$	Relation Inverse Problem	Residual Learning Physics Constrained Learning (PCL)	$f(u) \approx \mathcal{NN}_w(u)$
$\nabla \cdot (\varpi \nabla u(x)) = 0$	Stochastic Inverse Problem	Physical Generative Neural Networks (PhysGNN)	$\varpi = \mathcal{NN}_w(v_{\text{latent}})$

# A General Approach to Inverse Modeling



**AdFem.jl**  
Finite Element Library  
for Inverse Modeling

<https://github.com/kailaix/AdFem.jl>

<https://github.com/lidongzh/FwiFlow.jl>

**NNFEM.jl**

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