# Multiscale Operator

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The complete idea is elaborated on Teams-ML2.

## Ideas for Multiscale Operator

Important papers:

- Basis Operator Network (Hua and Lu 2023)
- Convolutional Neural Operator (Raonić et al. 2023)

and

• Multi-scale DNN (Cai and Xu 2019)

#### **Function Encoder**

Proposed by Hua and Lu (2023), function encoder approximate a function with neural basis. It is invariant to the resolution of sensor grids.

• Neural Basis Decomposition: Suppose u is the function we want to approximate, and given a set of basis function  $\{\phi_i(x): \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^1 | i=1,\ldots,N\}$ . Suppose N is large enough, we can approximate u as

$$u \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \langle u, \phi_i \rangle \phi_i$$

where  $\langle u, \phi_i \rangle := \int_D u(x) \phi_i(x) dx$ . (proof of convergence on N is in Hua and Lu (2023).).

- Suppose we have a function u with uniform discretization  $x_1,\dots,x_{n_1}$  and  $u(x_1),\dots,u(x_{n_1})$
- **Encoding**:  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d \to \phi_i(x) \in \mathbb{R}^1$  for  $i=1,\ldots,N,$  and get  $\langle u,\phi_i \rangle = \int_D u(x)\phi_i(x)dx$  with trapezoidal rule.

- Decoding:  $u \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \langle u, \phi_i \rangle \phi_i$
- Orthogonal by Training: To make  $\{\phi_1,\dots,\phi_{N_1}\}$  orthonormal, they use loss function  $l(\mathcal{R}_\phi\circ\mathcal{P}_\phi,ID)$  during training to induce orthogonal bias. (The notation is missing in Hua and Lu (2023))
- Resolution invariance: This structure is resolution-invariance because the inner product is invariant to the number of x grids.

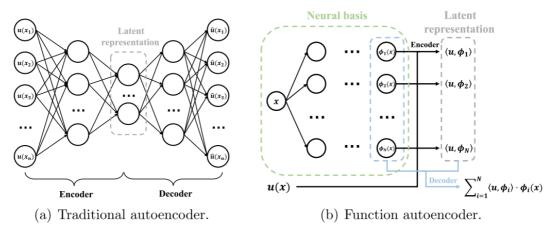
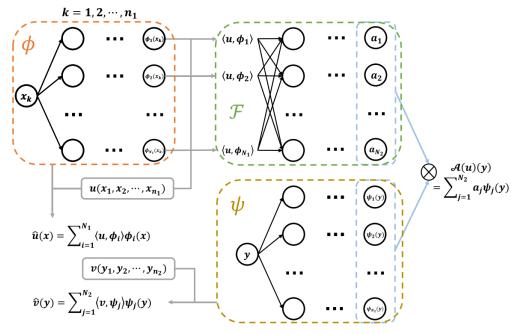
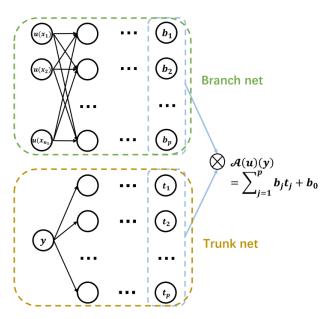


Fig. 2. The structures of the traditional autoencoder and the function autoencoder.

Figure 1: Comparison of autoencoder and function autoencoder



(a) Architecture of BasisONet.



(b) Architecture of DeepONet.

Fig. 3. BasisONet versus DeepONet in architecture.

## Idea

- Function autoencoder can have frequ<br/>ncy bias just like regular MLP apply Mscale DNN to  $\phi$ 

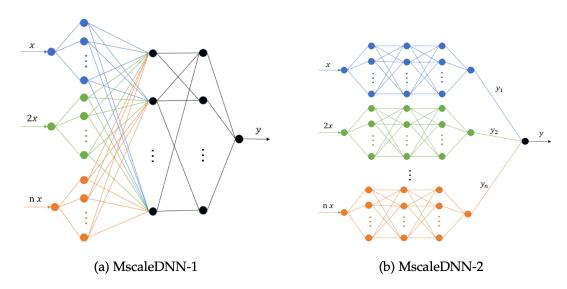


Figure 3: Illustration of two MscaleDNN structures.

## **Convolutional Neural Operator**

A Neural Operator composed by Convolutaional layer and UNet structure for multiscale sampling (Raonić et al. 2023).

## 2 Convolutional Neural Operators.

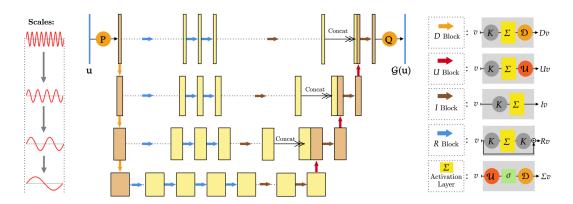


Figure 1: Schematic representation of CNO (2.3) as a modified U-Net with a sequence of layers (each identified with the relevant operators on the right, see Section 2) mapping between bandlimited functions. Rectangles represent multi-channel signals. Larger the height, larger is the resolution. Wider the rectangles, more channels are present.

- The activation function need to be properly setup. ReLU tend to create high frequency features, that create aliasing error.
- There can be a modification on multiscale NN concept to
  - Channel encoding with  $x, 2x, \dots, nx$
  - Custom design of activation function based on frequency response.

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