

# 50.039 Theory and Practice of Deep Learning

## W12-S1 About Physics-Informed Neural Networks

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# About this week (Week 12, an informative lecture about physics-informed neural networks)

1. What is a **Partial Differential Equation (PDE)** and what are **typical uses** of PDEs?
2. Why are PDEs **hard to solve** in practice?
3. What are **Physics-Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)**?
4. What is a **Physics Loss** function and how to write a custom one?
5. How to **train a PINN to solve a given PDE**?
6. Is **Feature Engineering** a good thing to have in PINNs?

# A reminder on PDEs

## Definition (**Partial Differential Equation**):

A **Partial Differential Equation (PDE)** is an equation, which computes a **function** between **various partial derivatives of a multivariable function**.

The function is often thought of as an "unknown" for the equation to be solved for, similar to how  $x$  is thought of as an unknown number to be solved for in an algebraic equation like  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$ .

It may or may not include **initial conditions** on top of the partial derivatives equation.

**PDEs are notoriously hard to solve and have often been used in Physics, Finance, Optimization and many other fields**

# Analytical Solution of a PDE

**Definition (Analytical Solution of a Partial Differential Equation):**

The **Analytical Solution** of a **PDE** is a function (or a set of functions), written in a closed-form expression, which solve the PDE, along with any additional **initial conditions** that exist on top of the PDE.

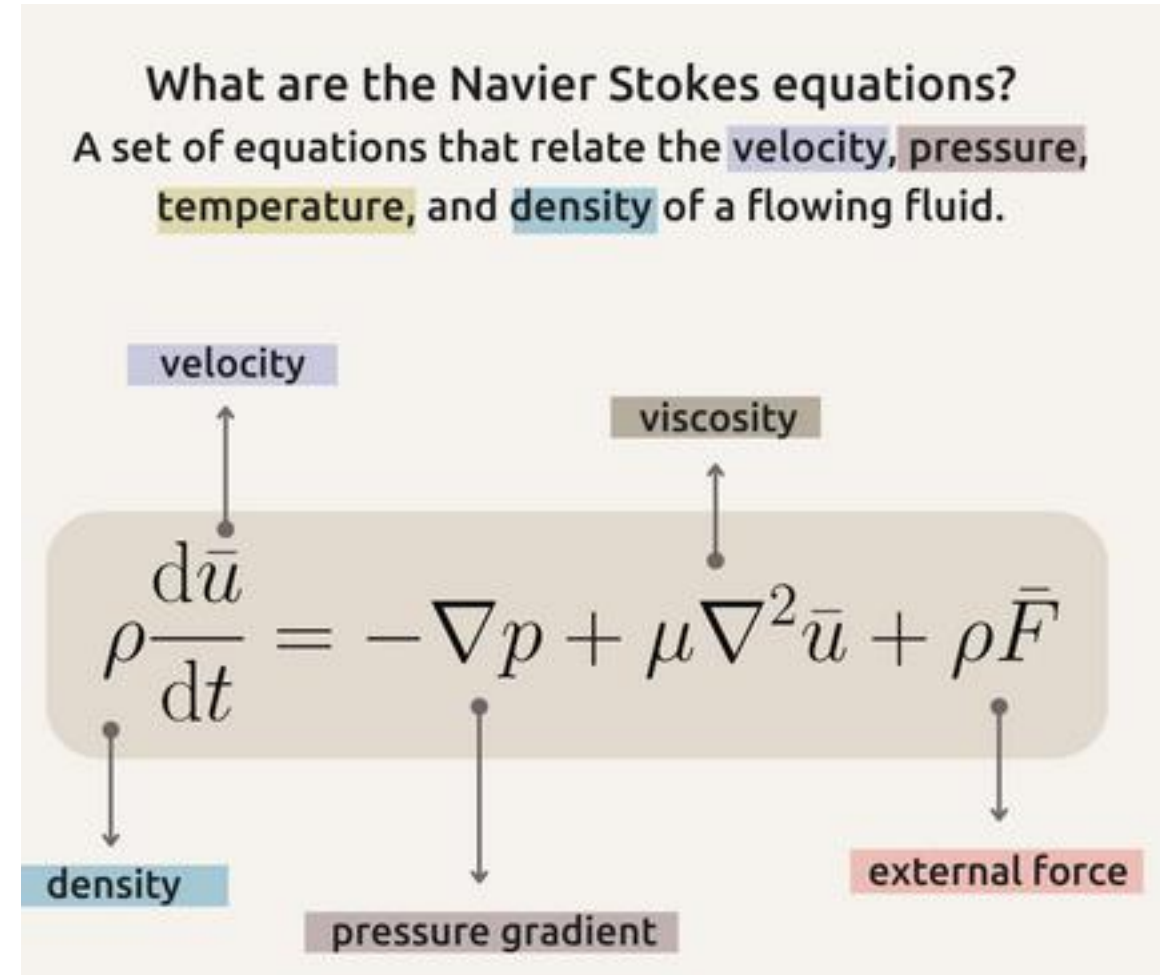
**Important note: In most scenarios, except for a few favourable scenarios where certain conditions are met on the PDE, it proves impossible to find an analytical solution, and we have no other choice but to resort to approximation mechanisms for solving these PDEs.**

# The Navier-Stokes example

**Definition (The Navier-Stokes equations):**

**The Navier-Stokes equations** are PDEs, which describe the motion of viscous fluid substances in Physics.

They are notoriously hard to solve and in fact, finding an analytical solution to these PDEs happens to be one of the **Millennium Prize Problems**.



# The Millenium Prize Problems

## Definition (The Millenium Prize Problems):

The **Millennium Prize Problems** are seven well-known complex mathematical problems selected by the Clay Mathematics Institute in 2000.

The Clay Institute has pledged a US\$1 million prize for the first correct solution to each problem.

To this day, only one of them has been solved (The Poincaré Conjecture).

- P versus NP.
- Hodge conjecture.
- Riemann hypothesis.
- Yang–Mills existence and mass gap.
- Navier–Stokes existence and smoothness.
- Birch and Swinnerton-Dyer Conjecture.
- ~~Poincaré conjecture.~~

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# Quick parenthesis: Why is Navier-Stokes a Millenium Prize Problem anyway?

- The Navier-Stokes equations are fundamental in physics and engineering. We use them in everything from predicting weather patterns to designing airplanes.

But more importantly,

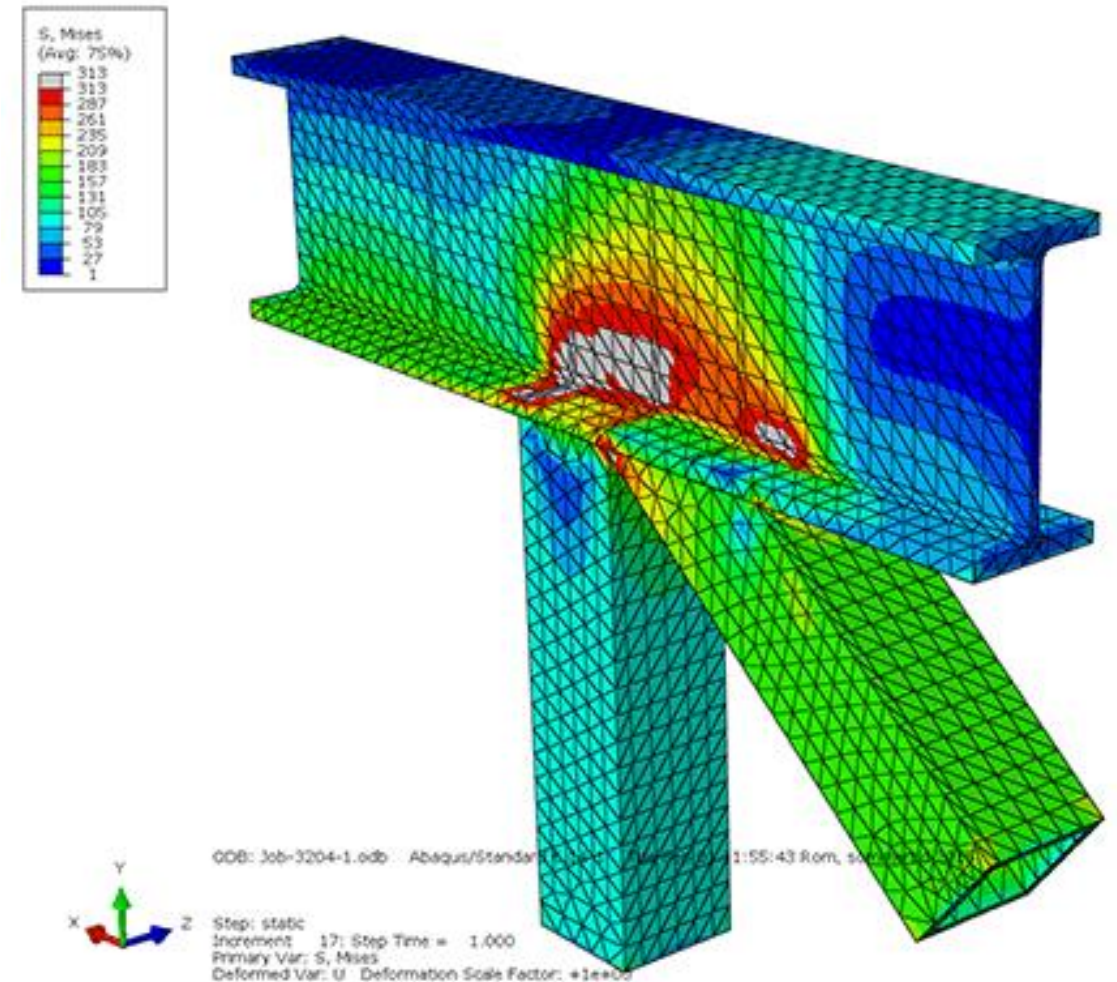
- It is a **prime example of a PDE that is hard-to-solve.**
- Our understandings of mathematics and PDEs simply are not good enough for solving this type of PDE problems at the moment.
- **Being able to solve it analytically might provide new techniques or insights that could be applied to other challenging problems in mathematics or physics.**



# Finite Element Methods and PDEs

**Definition (The finite element method – out-of-scope):**

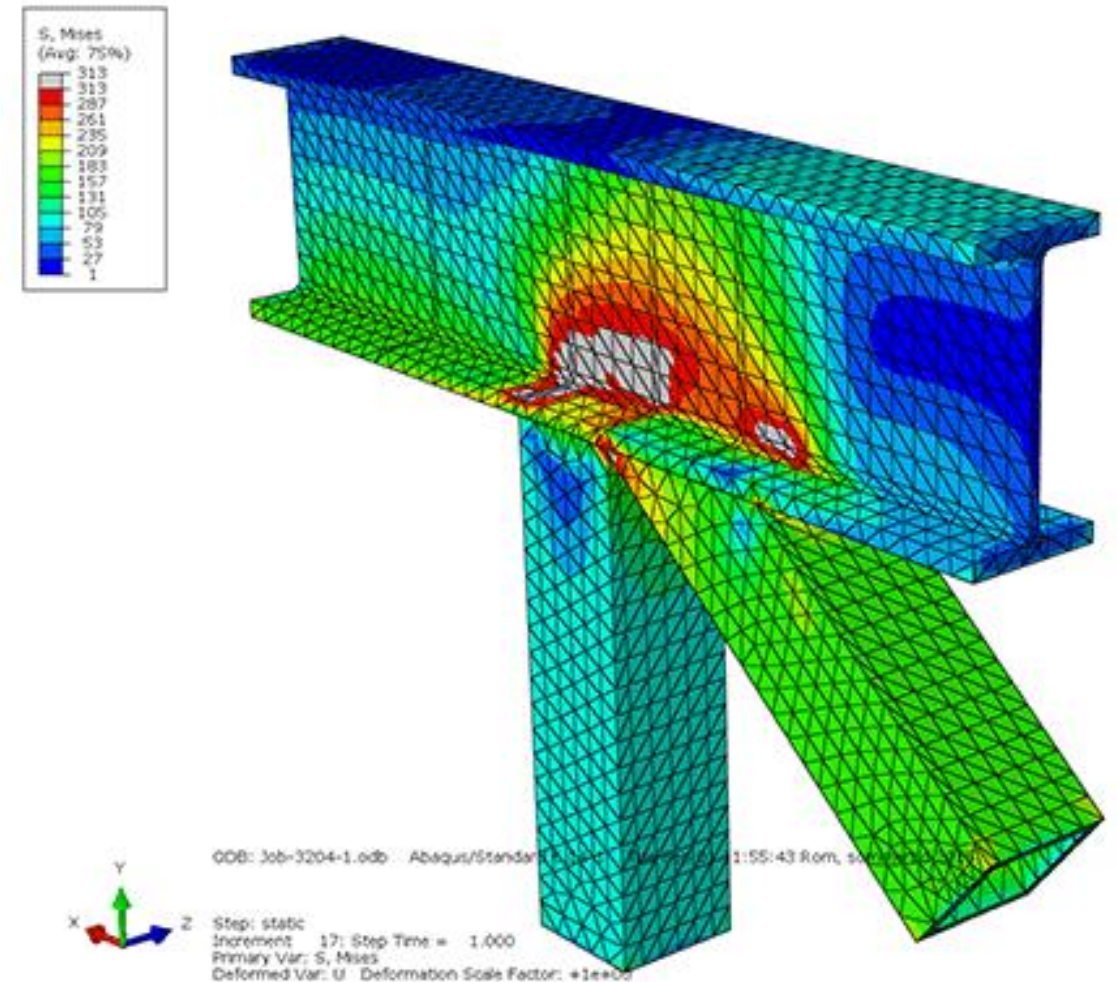
The **Finite Element Method (FEM)** is one of the many popular method for numerically solving (i.e. provide an approximation of the analytical solution to) hard-to-solve partial differential equations, for which no analytical solutions have yet been found.



# Finite Element Methods and PDEs

## How it works (out-of-scope):

- The FEM subdivides a large system into smaller, simpler parts called **finite elements**.
- This is achieved by a particular space discretization in the space dimensions, called a **mesh**.
- The method then approximates the “unknown” analytical solution over the domain using **local approximations of derivatives**.



# Finite Element Methods and PDEs

**While FEM works, it suffers from a few problems:**

- 1. Complex Geometries:** FEM requires the domain of interest to be discretized into elements. Challenging mesh generation and may require massive computational costs.
- 2. High-dimensional Problems:** FEM might become computationally expensive for problems with a high number of dimensions due to a problem called the "curse of dimensionality."
- 3. Time dependence issues:** Time-dependent problems might need small time steps for stability, which leads to computational costs.
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# Finite Element Methods and PDEs

**Overall, FEM is a powerful method to approximate solutions to PDEs, but it is very expensive to implement, and therefore not fit for many applications (e.g. applications with real-time constraints).**

**→ Need for other solutions!**

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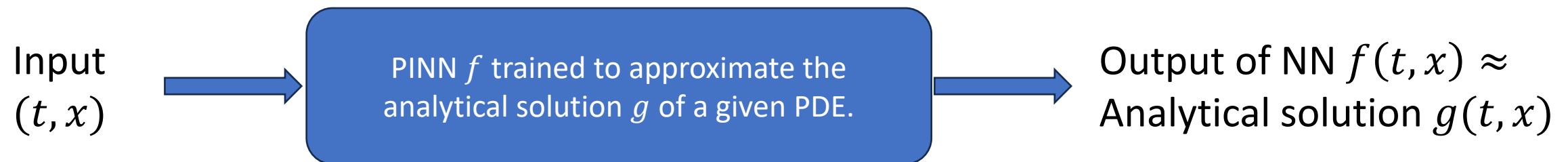
# Neural Networks to the rescue! (again?)

## Definition (**Physics-Informed Neural Networks**):

Introduced in [Karniadakis2021] and [Raissi2019], **Physics-Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)** are a type of universal function approximators based on Neural Networks and Deep Learning.

PINNs can embed the knowledge of any physical laws described by partial differential equations (PDEs).

After training, the PINN can be used to approximate the analytical function  $g$  that would be the solution of a given PDE.



# PINNs vs FEM

PINNs have recently gained interest, because of the following advantages:

- 1. Geometry Flexibility:** PINNs do not require a mesh as in FEMs, which can simplify problems with complex geometries.
- 2. Universal Approximators:** Neural networks have the capacity to approximate a wide variety of functions (universal approximation theorem! and [Hornik1989]), which can be used to represent complex PDE solutions.
- 3. Easily Adaptable:** PINNs can easily be updated or trained on new data, making them adaptable to changing conditions or data-driven problems.
- 4. Deep Learning Infrastructure:** The rise of deep learning has led to robust software ecosystems and powerful hardware accelerators, which can be harnessed by PINNs. After training, inference is extremely fast and therefore suitable for applications with real-time constraints.

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**Of course, the obvious counterpart is that we need to properly TRAIN the said PINN so that it learns to approximate the analytical solution to the given PDE problem!**

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A toy example of a PDE (Simpler than Navier-Stokes, for obvious reasons!)





# A toy example of a PDE

Let us consider this toy example of a PDE.

- Let us denote  $T(t)$  the **temperature of my coffee, in °C, at time  $t$** .
- It starts, freshly brewed at 100°C, that is  $T(0) = 100$  °C. This is the **initial condition** for our PDE.
- The room temperature is constant, and set to  $T_{env} = 20$  °C.
- The temperature function  $T(t)$  follows the **PDE** below.

$$\frac{\partial T(t)}{\partial t} = R(T_{env} - T(t))$$

- The  $R$  constant denotes the temperature dissipation factor and is arbitrarily set to 0.1.

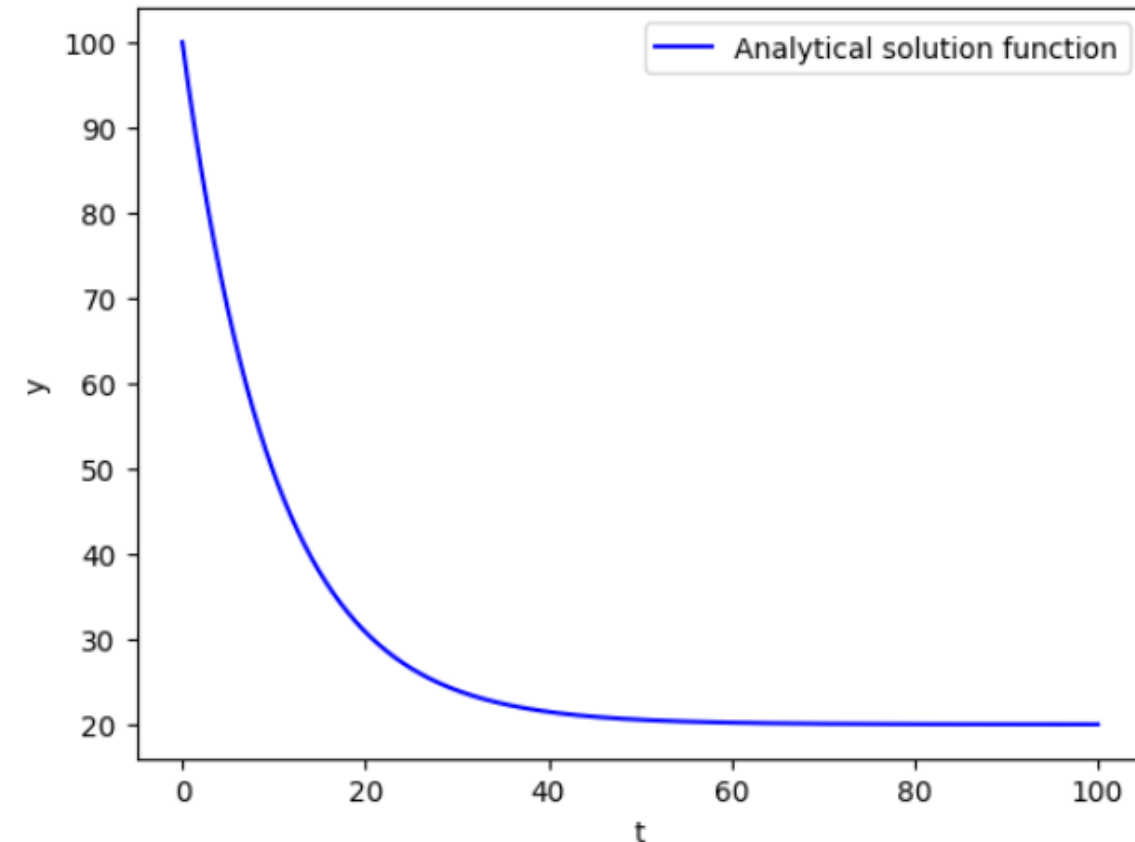
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The PDE problem

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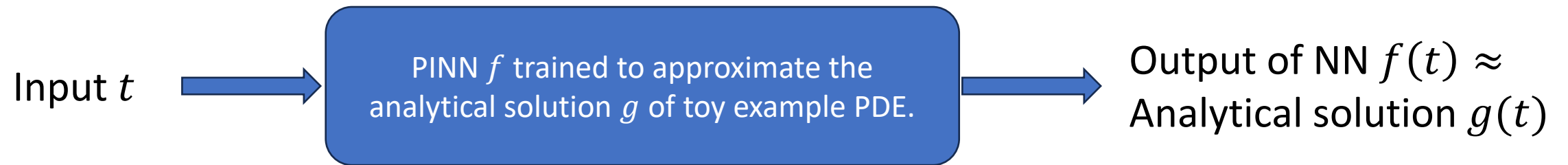
Is considered easy-to-solve, as it admits an analytical solution, whose closed-form expression is known. It is simply given as:

$$T(t) = T_{env} + (T_0 - T_{env}) \exp(-Rt)$$



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- Define a `nn.module` class,
- Consists of a few linear layers, with ReLU activation functions,
- And a forward method for inference.

A rather simple model compared to what we have done in the past.

```
class LinearNN(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, num_layers = 5, num_neurons = 128):
        # Start with attributes.
        super().__init__()
        self.num_neurons = num_neurons
        self.num_layers = num_layers

        # Build layers.
        layers = []
        # First layer.
        layers.append(nn.Linear(1, self.num_neurons))
        # Hidden layers will consist of Linear layers and some activation.
        for _ in range(self.num_layers):
            layers.append(nn.Linear(self.num_neurons, self.num_neurons))
            layers.append(nn.ReLU())
        # Finish with one output layer, which is simply a linear and has no activation.
        layers.append(nn.Linear(self.num_neurons, 1))

        # Build the network as a Sequential object of the layers.
        self.network = nn.Sequential(*layers)

    def forward(self, x):
        # Forward method made simple, using the Sequential object from earlier.
        return self.network(x.reshape(-1, 1)).squeeze()

model = LinearNN().to(device)
```

# How to train the PINN?

How to train the PINN to approximate the solution of the given PDE?

- No dataset available.
- This PDE admits an analytical solution, but if we play fair, we should assume we do not know about this solution.
- The only information we have is the PDE itself.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial T(t)}{\partial t} &= R(T_{env} - T(t)) \\ T(0) &= T_0\end{aligned}$$

→ Need to come up with a custom loss function, called a **physics loss** function, to quantify how good the model is at solving the PDE above!

# Physics loss function

## Definition (**The physics loss function**):

The **physics loss function** is a custom loss function, which can be used to quantify how good a given PINN model is at solving a given PDE. It requires no dataset, only information about the given PDE.

It typically consists of two parts:

- **A PDE loss:** quantifies how good the model is at solving the given PDE, with partial derivatives, i.e.  $\frac{\partial T(t)}{\partial t} = R(T_{env} - T(t))$ .
- **An initial condition loss:** quantifies whether the model satisfies the given initial conditions for the PDE, i.e.  $T(0) = T_0$ .

These two losses components are then **assembled into a physics loss function**, which is then used to train the PINN.



# Part 1: The PDE loss

**Important observation:** If the PINN model  $f$  is supposed to act as the solution to the PDE, then the partial derivative of  $f$  with respect to  $t$  is simply the gradient of the model with respect to its inputs!

This derivative can be computed using **autograd, along with the inputs and outputs produced by the model!**

```
# This function will compute gradients with respect to inputs,  
# for the given forward pass that produced the respective outputs.  
def grad_fun(outputs, inputs):  
    return torch.autograd.grad(outputs, inputs, grad_outputs = torch.ones_like(outputs), create_graph = True)
```

```
model_f = LinearNN().to(device)  
deriv_f = grad_fun(model_f(t), t)[0]
```

# Part 1: The PDE loss

Next, we can

- Define an array  $t$  of time values, using a linspace of some sort.
- Compute the outputs  $f(t)$  for said time values, using our PINN model,
- Compute the derivatives values  $\frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t}$  using our autograd function for said times values,
- And then check if the PDE equation  $\frac{\partial T(t)}{\partial t} = R(T_{env} - T(t))$  is met for said time values!

# Part 1: The PDE loss

- **Step 2:** Define our linspace array of time values  $t$  (here values of  $t$  will range from 0 to 100, with 1000 points in array). So  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_{1000})$

```
# This is the custom loss function we plan to use for the model
def physics_loss(model):
    # Generate x tensor by drawing with a linspace
    t = torch.linspace(0, 100, steps = 1000).view(-1, 1).requires_grad_(True).to(device)
```

# Part 1: The PDE loss

- **Step 3:** Forward pass in the PINN model to compute  $f(t)$  for all values in the linspace array  $t$ .

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    # Forward pass
    y = model(t)
```

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- **Step 4:** Use autograd to compute  $\frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t}$  for all values in the array  $t$ .

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    y = model(t)
    # Compute the gradient manually
    dy = grad_fun(y, t)[0]
```

# Part 1: The PDE loss

- **Step 5:** Compute  $\frac{\partial f(t)}{\partial t} - R(T_{env} - f(t))$  for all values in the array  $t$ . Ideally, we want this quantity to be as close to 0 as possible.

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    # Compute the loss
    # Val1: checks if the model fits the PDE
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    # Lambda_coeffs: serves the same purpose as in regularization, to indicate
    # the importance of one aspect of the loss (e.g. val1) wrt. the second part (e.g. val2).
    # Note: technically, lambda_coeff is an hyperparameter
    # and we should investigate different values!
    right_hand_side_pde = (R_coeff*(T_env - y)).view(dy.shape)
```

# Part 1: The PDE loss

- **Step 6:** To do so, we will attempt to minimize the loss  $V_1$ , below.

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{\partial f(t_i)}{\partial t} - R(T_{env} - f(t_i)) \right)^2$$

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    right_hand_side_pde = (R_coeff*(T_env - y)).view(dy.shape)
    val1 = torch.mean((dy - right_hand_side_pde)**2)
```



## Part 2: The initial condition loss

The initial condition loss is much simpler to compute.

- **Step 1:** Forward pass on the model with a single value corresponding to our initial condition. In our case, that is  $t = 0$ , and we get  $f(0)$ .
- **Step 2:** Check if  $f(0)$  matches the initial temperature  $T_0$ .
- **Step 3:** To encourage the model to meet this initial condition, we will define the loss  $V_2$  as  $V_2 = (f(0) - T_0)^2$ . Minimizing  $V_2$  and bringing it to 0 is equivalent to having the model satisfy the initial condition!

```
X_0 = torch.tensor([0.0]).view(-1, 1).requires_grad_(True).to(device)
Y_0 = model(X_0)
GT_0 = sol_fun_torch(X_0).view(Y_0.shape)
val2 = torch.mean((Y_0 - GT_0)**2)
```

## Part 3: Assembling the physics loss

We have two losses  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ , that must both be brought to a minimum for the model to act as a good approximator for the analytical solution of the PDE.

Let us assemble them into a **physics loss** function  $L$ .

$$L = 1 + \lambda_1 V_1 + \lambda_2 V_2$$

Here  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are hyperparameters, weighting the contributions of  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively. We will arbitrarily set them to 1 for now.

The constant 1 value in  $L$ , serves to prevent the loss function to go to zero, as our training curves will be shown in logarithmic scale later on.

```

# This is the custom loss function we plan to use for the model
def physics_loss(model):
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    t = torch.linspace(0, 100, steps = 1000).view(-1, 1).requires_grad_(True).to(device)

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    right_hand_side_pde = (R_coeff*(T_env - y)).view(dy.shape)
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    Y_0 = model(X_0)
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    val2 = torch.mean((Y_0 - GT_0)**2)
    lambda_coeff1 = 1
    lambda_coeff2 = 1
    # Return assembled loss value
    # Also returns val1 and val2 for visualization
    return 1 + lambda_coeff1*val1 + lambda_coeff2*val2, val1, val2

```

# Training the PINN

Training the PINN is almost the same procedure as before.

- Forward pass on model (happens in the physics loss function),
- Compute  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  and  $L$ . as explained earlier.
- Do note that the physics loss does not require a dataset,
- Backprop on  $L$  as before, using autograd.
- Using basic Adam optimizer as before (how original!).
- Learning rate decay.
- Keep track of values for training curves later.

```
# Choose parameters for the training, as before
```

```
num_iter = 30001
```

```
learning_rate = 1e-3
```

```
### Training Loop
```

```
# Reset model
```

```
model = LinearNN().to(device)
```

```
# Keep track of loss values
```

```
loss, val1, val2 = physics_loss(model)
```

```
loss_values, val1_values, val2_values = [loss.item()], [val1.item()], [val2.item()]
```

```
for i in range(num_iter):
```

```
    # Learning rate adjustment (using a decay based on iterations)
```

```
    decay = 1 + 10*i//1000
```

```
    optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr = learning_rate/decay)
```

```
    # Forward pass: Compute the loss
```

```
    loss, val1, val2 = physics_loss(model)
```

```
    # Zero the gradients
```

```
    optimizer.zero_grad()
```

```
    # Backward pass: Compute gradient of the loss with respect to model parameters
```

```
    loss.backward()
```

```
    # Update parameters
```

```
    optimizer.step()
```

```
    if i % 10 == 0:
```

```
        # Add to list every 10 iterations
```

```
        loss_values.append(loss.item())
```

```
        val1_values.append(val1.item())
```

```
        val2_values.append(val2.item())
```

```
        if i % 500 == 0:
```

```
            # Print progress every 500 iterations
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```
            print(f"Iteration {i}, Combined Loss: {loss.item()}, PDE part: {val1.item()}, Init Cond. part: {val2.item()}")
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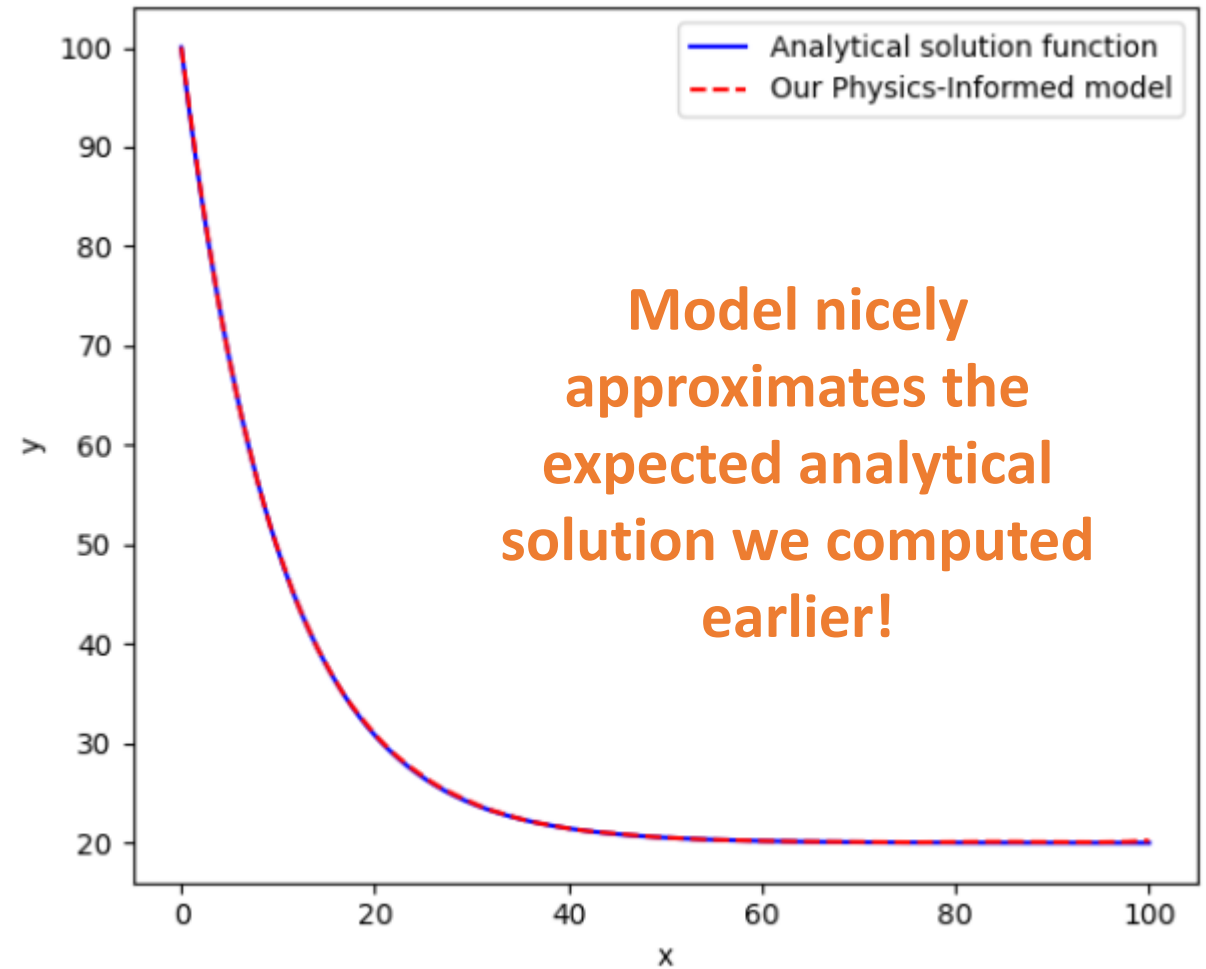
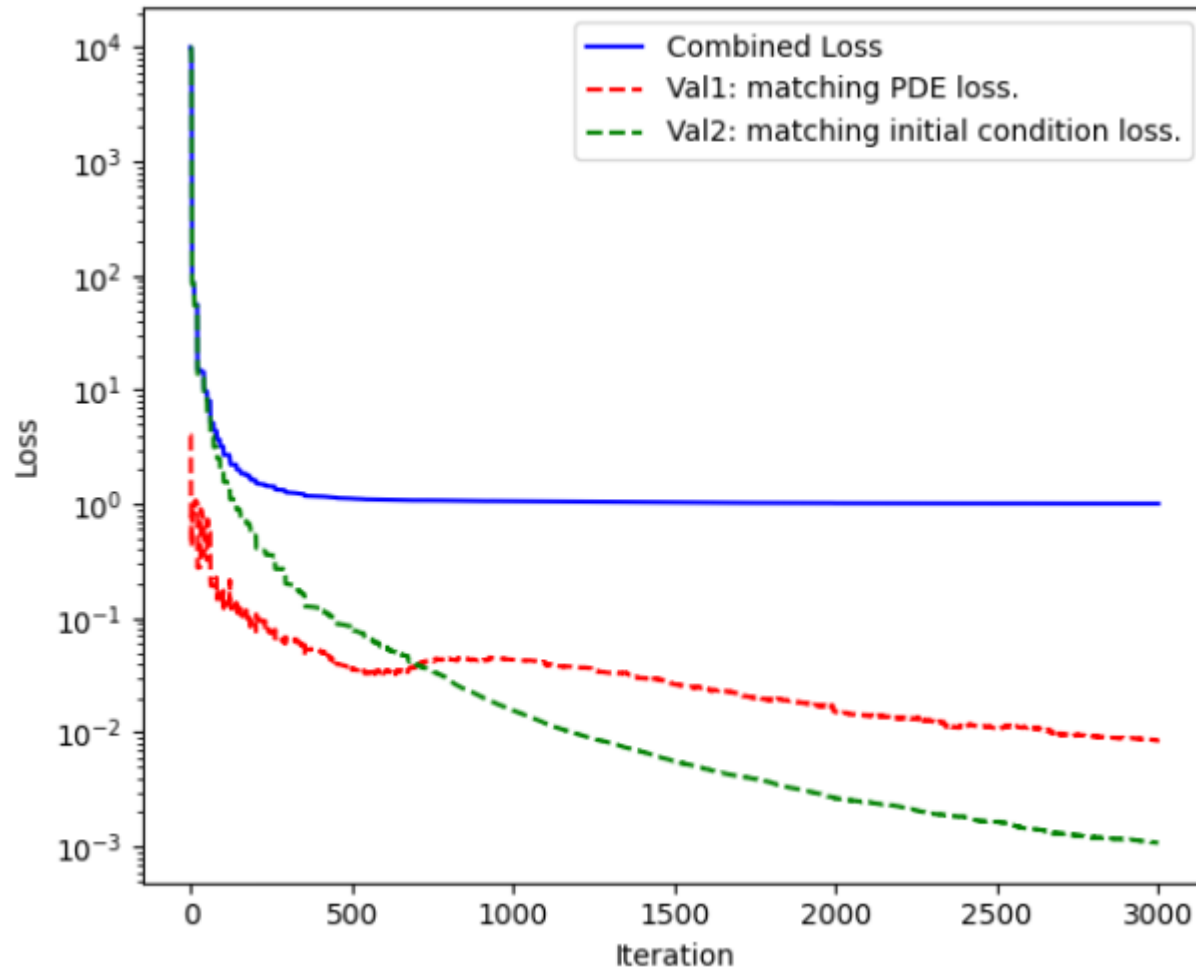
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Iteration 1000, Combined Loss: 3.2027595043182373, PDE part: 0.14855265617370605, Init Cond. part: 2.0542068481445312
Iteration 1500, Combined Loss: 2.00662899017334, PDE part: 0.11113713681697845, Init Cond. part: 0.895491898059845
Iteration 2000, Combined Loss: 1.621795415878296, PDE part: 0.09079346060752869, Init Cond. part: 0.5310018658638
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Iteration 4000, Combined Loss: 1.173896074295044, PDE part: 0.05169065669178963, Init Cond. part: 0.12220537662506104
Iteration 4500, Combined Loss: 1.1424450874328613, PDE part: 0.04110698401927948, Init Cond. part: 0.10133811831474304
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Iteration 10000, Combined Loss: 1.0591691732406616, PDE part: 0.043588023632764816, Init Cond. part: 0.015581161715090275
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# Feature engineering in PINNs

When it comes to PINN, feature engineering is king.

- If you suspect that the analytical solution has a certain behavior, for instance exponential, cosine, logarithm, etc.
- Then you can perform feature engineering and provide additional inputs to the PINN.
- For instance, let us pretend that we strongly suspect that the analytical solution of our toy example PDE has a negative exponential behavior.
- We will rework our model so that it takes two inputs, instead of just one, being the time  $t$  and  $\exp(-t)$ .
- Also, amend the physics loss function accordingly.

```
class LinearNN(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, num_layers = 5, num_neurons = 128):
        # Start with attributes.
        super().__init__()
        self.num_neurons = num_neurons
        self.num_layers = num_layers

        # Build layers.
        layers = []
        # First layer.
        layers.append(nn.Linear(2, self.num_neurons))
        # Hidden layers will consist of Linear layers and some activation.
        for _ in range(self.num_layers):
            layers.append(nn.Linear(self.num_neurons, self.num_neurons))
            layers.append(nn.ReLU())
        # Finish with one output layer, which is simply a linear and has no activation.
        layers.append(nn.Linear(self.num_neurons, 1))

        # Build the network as a Sequential object of the layers.
        self.network = nn.Sequential(*layers)

    def forward(self, x):
        # Forward method made simple, using the Sequential object from earlier.
        return self.network(x).squeeze()
```

```

# This is the custom loss function we plan to use for the model
def physics_loss(model):
    # Generate x tensor by drawing with a linspace
    t = torch.linspace(0, 100, steps = 1000).view(-1, 1).requires_grad_(True).to(device)
    exp_neg_t = torch.exp(-t)
    input_tensor = torch.cat((t, exp_neg_t), dim = 1)
    # Forward pass
    y = model(input_tensor)
    # Compute the gradient manually
    dy = grad_fun(y, t)[0]
    # Compute the loss
    right_hand_side_pde = (R_coeff*(T_env - y)).view(dy.shape)
    val1 = torch.mean((dy - right_hand_side_pde)**2)
    X_0 = torch.tensor([0.0]).view(-1, 1).requires_grad_(True).to(device)
    exp_neg_X_0 = torch.exp(-X_0)
    input_tensor_0 = torch.cat((X_0, exp_neg_X_0), dim=1)
    Y_0 = model(input_tensor_0)
    GT_0 = sol_fun_torch(X_0).view(Y_0.shape)
    val2 = torch.mean((Y_0 - GT_0)**2)
    lambda_coeff1 = 1
    lambda_coeff2 = 1
    # Return assembled loss value
    # Also returns val1 and val2 for visualization
    return 1 + lambda_coeff1*val1 + lambda_coeff2*val2, val1, val2

```

Amend both  
forward calls  
accordingly  
(forward pass for  
PDE loss calculation  
and forward pass  
for initial condition  
loss calculation)

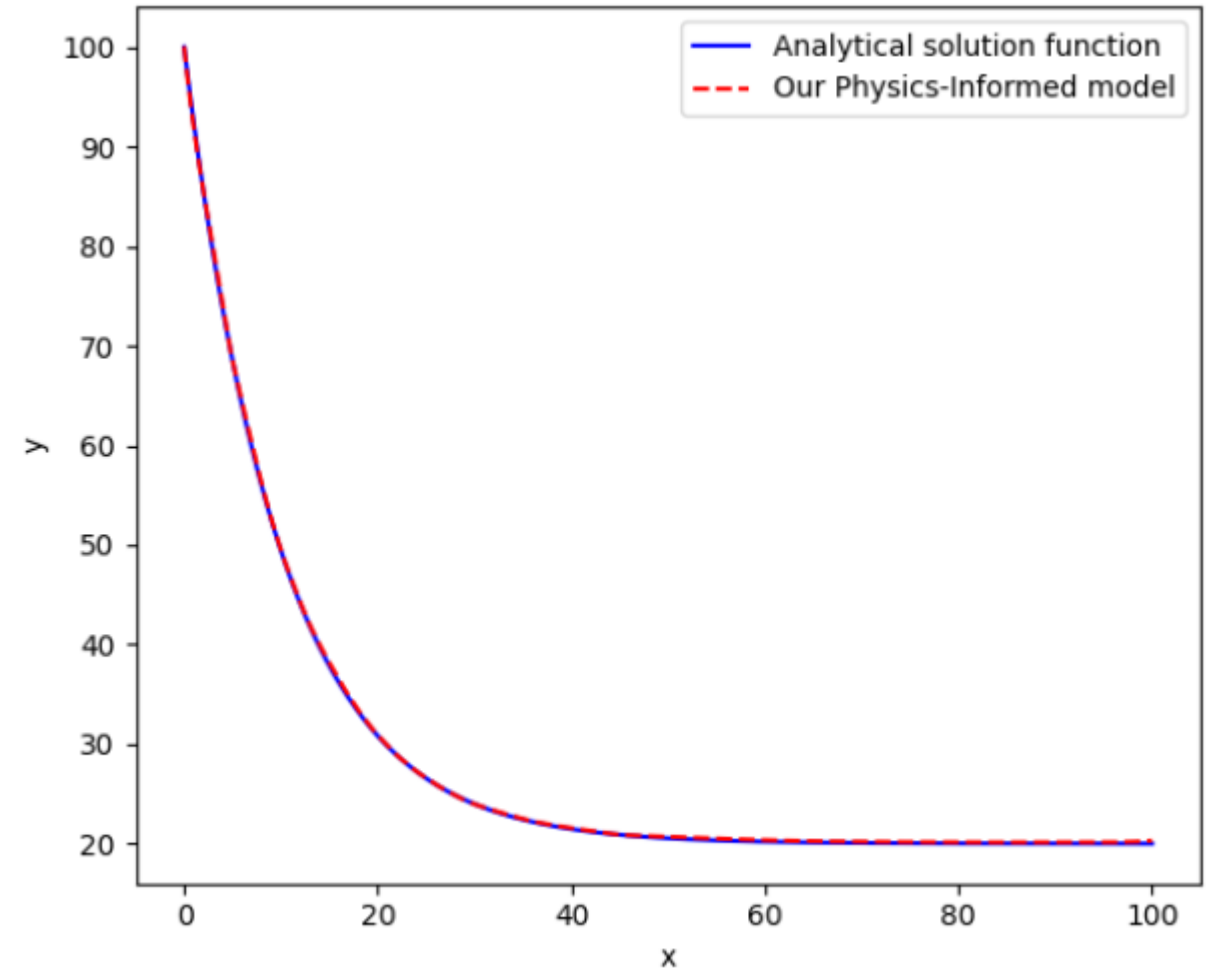
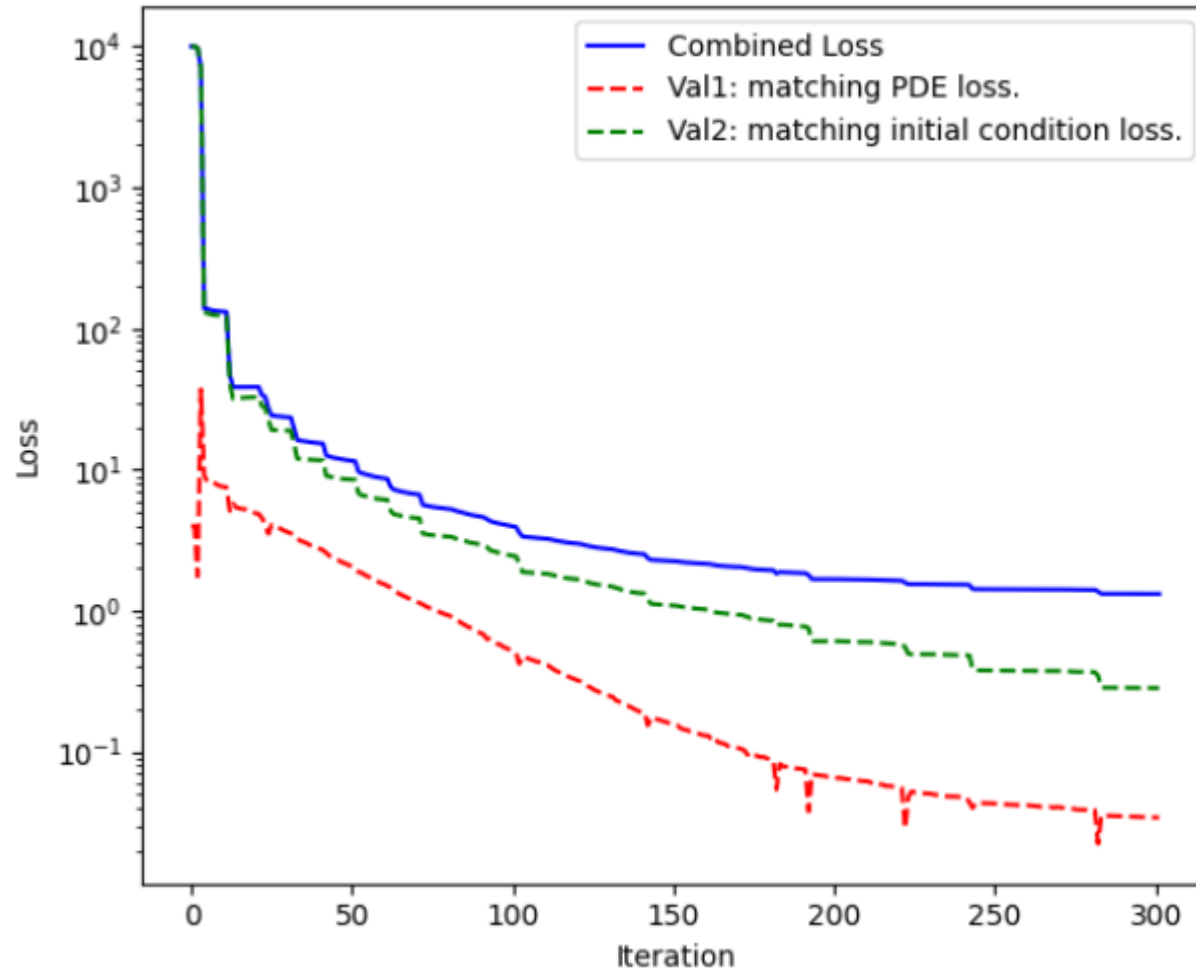
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    input_tensor_0 = torch.cat((X_0, exp_neg_X_0), dim=1)
    Y_0 = model(input_tensor_0)
    GT_0 = sol_fun_torch(X_0).view(Y_0.shape)
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```

**Important note:**  
 Gradients are only  
 calculated wrt to  $t$ ,  
 not  $\exp(-t)$ !

Training loop does not change, but much faster (3000 iterations instead of 30000!)



# More advanced stuff on PINNs

This PINN approach can be complexified by

- Taking into account **different types of boundary/initial conditions.**

(Some of them might require to use the autograd function to calculate derivatives but we know how to do that!)

Table 1: Boundary Condition Types.

Condition	Kind	
$u = 0$	homogeneous	Dirichlet or first kind
$u = f(\vec{x}, t)$	non homogeneous	
$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} = 0$	homogeneous	Neumann or second kind
$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} = g(\vec{x}, t)$	non homogeneous	
$au + b\frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} = 0$	homogeneous	Robin or third kind
$au + b\frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} = h(\vec{x}, t)$	non homogeneous	

# More advanced stuff on PINNs

This PINN approach can be complexified by

- Using higher order and/or mixed derivatives.

(If the PDE requires it, use the `grad_fun` multiple times to compute higher order derivatives!)

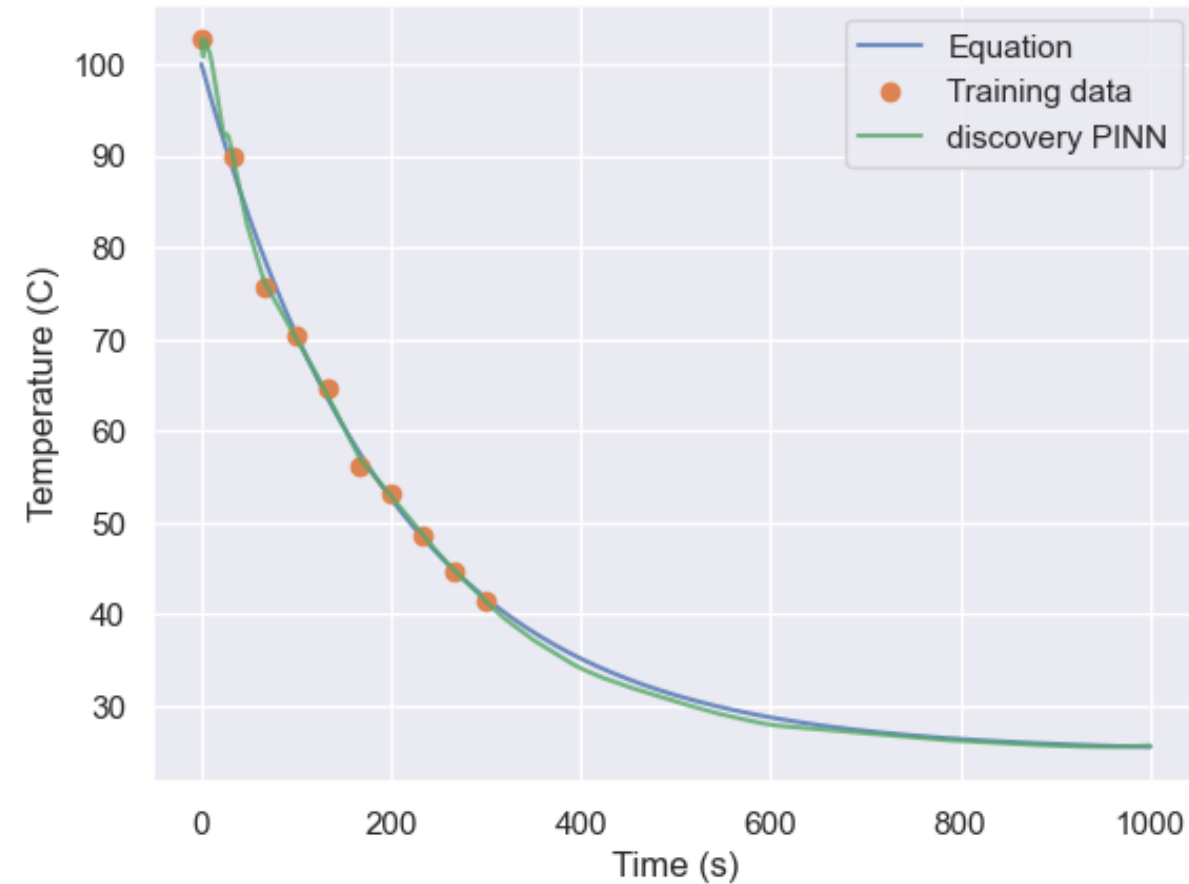
```
# This function will compute gradients with respect to inputs,  
# for the given forward pass that produced the respective outputs.  
def grad_fun(outputs, inputs):  
    return torch.autograd.grad(outputs, inputs, grad_outputs=torch.ones_like(outputs), create_graph=True)  
  
# First derivative  
grad_model = grad_fun(model(inputs), inputs)[0]  
  
# Second derivative  
second_derivative = grad_fun(grad_model, inputs)[0]
```

# More advanced stuff on PINNs

This PINN approach can be complexified by

- Using a dataset!

(If you know some values of the analytical function in certain locations, not just the initial conditions, you may use that to help the model train! It will simply require to amend the  $V_2$  definition in the physics loss function to include these additional points!)





# Conclusion

1. What is a **Partial Differential Equation (PDE)** and what are **typical uses** of PDEs?
2. Why are PDEs **hard to solve** in practice?
3. What are **Physics-Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)**?
4. What is a **Physics Loss** function and how to write a custom one?
5. How to **train a PINN to solve a given PDE**?
6. Is **Feature Engineering** a good thing to have in PINNs?

# Learn more about these topics

Out of class, for those of you who are curious

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- A good tutorial on PINNs by Ben Moseley, “So, what is a physics-informed neural network?”, 2021.

<https://benmoseley.blog/my-research/so-what-is-a-physics-informed-neural-network/>