

# Partial Differential Equations and Neural Operators

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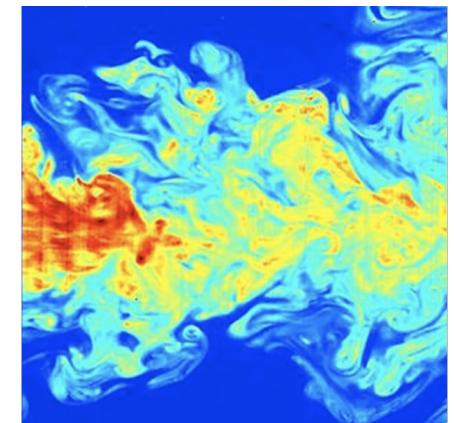
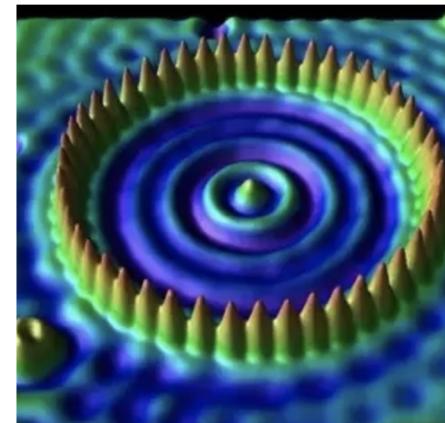
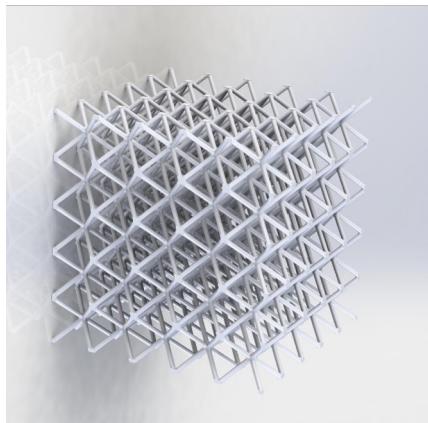
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# Overview

- Partial differential equations (20 min)
  - Examples
  - Numerical solvers
  - PINN
- Operator learning (30 min)
  - Neural operator
  - DeepONet
  - Fourier neural operator
- Examples and extensions (30 min)
  - Weather forecast
  - And more

# 1. Introduction

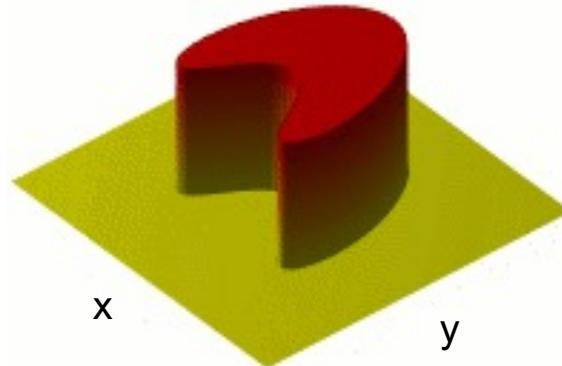
Problems in science and engineering reduce to PDEs.



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## Example: heat equation

2D parabolic PDE

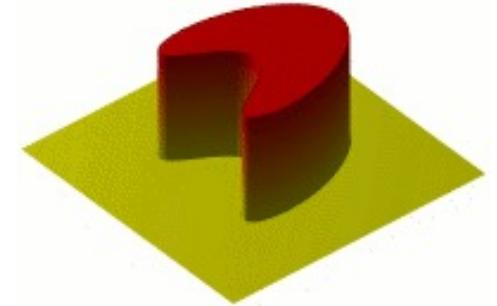


How long will my pan cool down?

Figure: Oleg Alexandrov

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## Example: heat equation



Spatial domain:  $D = [0,1] \times [0,1]$

Time domain:  $T = [0,1]$

Points:  $x = (x, y) = (x_1, x_2) \in D, t \in T$

Solution function (Temperature)  $u: T \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Heat equation:

$$u_t = \Delta u$$

Where  $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$

“The change in time is equal to 2nd-order difference in space.”

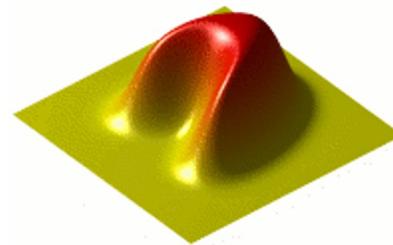
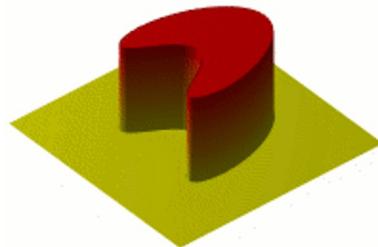
# Initial value problems

Heat equation:

$$u_t = \Delta u$$

Initial value problem: given the temperature at time  $t=0$ ,  
What is the temperature at time  $t=1$ ?

Given  $u(0,x)$ , what is  $u(1,x)$ ?



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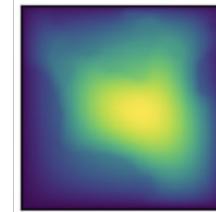
# Problems with coefficients

2D elliptic PDE:

$$-\nabla \cdot (a(x)\nabla u(x)) = f(x), \quad x \in D$$



Input:  $a(x)$



Output:  $u(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla u &= (u_x, u_y) \\ \Delta u &= \nabla \cdot \nabla u\end{aligned}$$

My domain has two types of media, described by  $a(x)$   
Given  $a(x)$ , what is  $u(x)$ ?

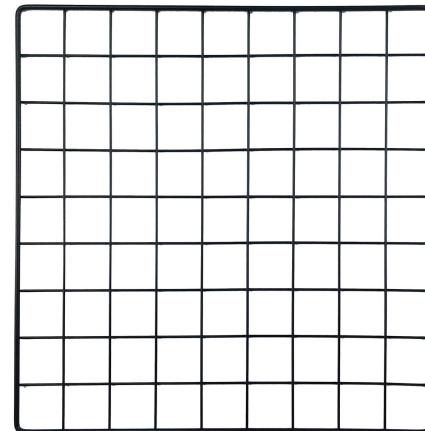
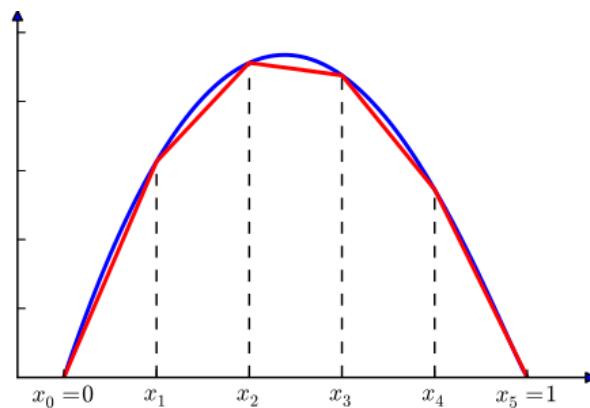
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# Numerical solver

Idea: discretize the problem onto some grid

Solve a multi-variable equation of  $\{u(i,j)\}$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, 10, j = 0, \dots, 10$

Solve a linear system  $Au = f$



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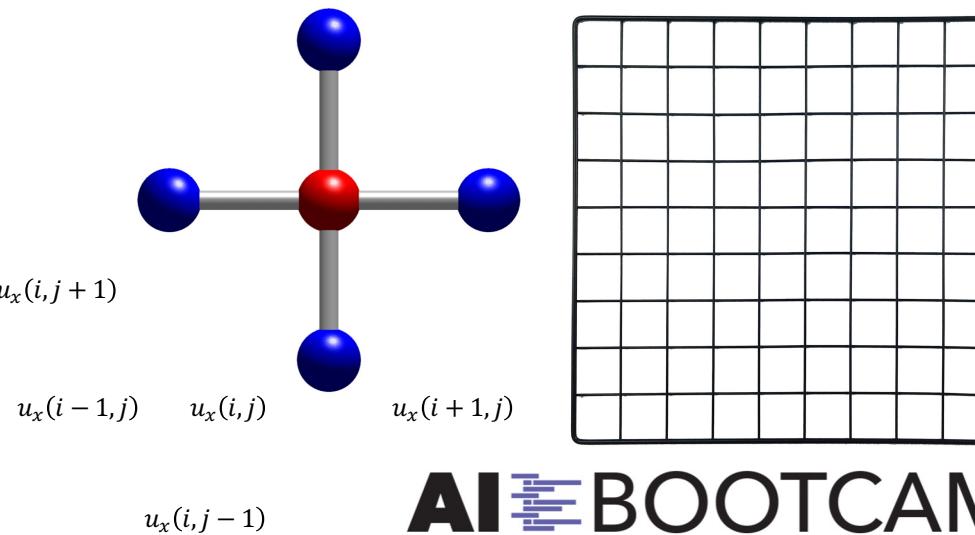
How to compute the derivative?

Finite difference method (FDM): approximate by its neighbor points

$$u_x(x) = \lim_{dx \rightarrow 0} \frac{[u(x + dx) - u(x)]}{dx}$$

$$u_x(x) \sim \frac{[u(x + dx) - u(x)]}{dx}$$

$$u_x(i, j) \sim \frac{[u(i + 1, j) - u(i, j)]}{dx}$$



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# Numerical solver

Pipeline:

1. Discretize the space
2. Write out a linear system
3. Solve the linear system

Common numerical methods:

- Finite difference methods
- Finite element methods
- Spectral methods
- Iterative methods

Trade-off: finer grids are more accurate, but also more expensive.

# Physics-informed neural networks

Heat equation:

$$u_t = \Delta u$$

Physics-informed neural networks (PINNs)

- Idea: represent function  $u$  as a neural network
- Compute the derivatives ( $u_t, \Delta u$ ) using the chain rule
- Solve the system using gradient descent methods

PINN: M Raissi, P Perdikaris, GE Karniadakis

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# Recap: PINNs

Heat equation:

$$u_t = \Delta u$$

Pipeline:

- Initialize NN  $u(x)$
- For N iterations
  - Sample collocation points  $\{(x, t)\}$
  - Compute the derivatives  $u_t(x, t), \Delta u(x, t)$
  - Minimize  $\| u_t - \Delta u \|$

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# Recap: PINNs

Pros:

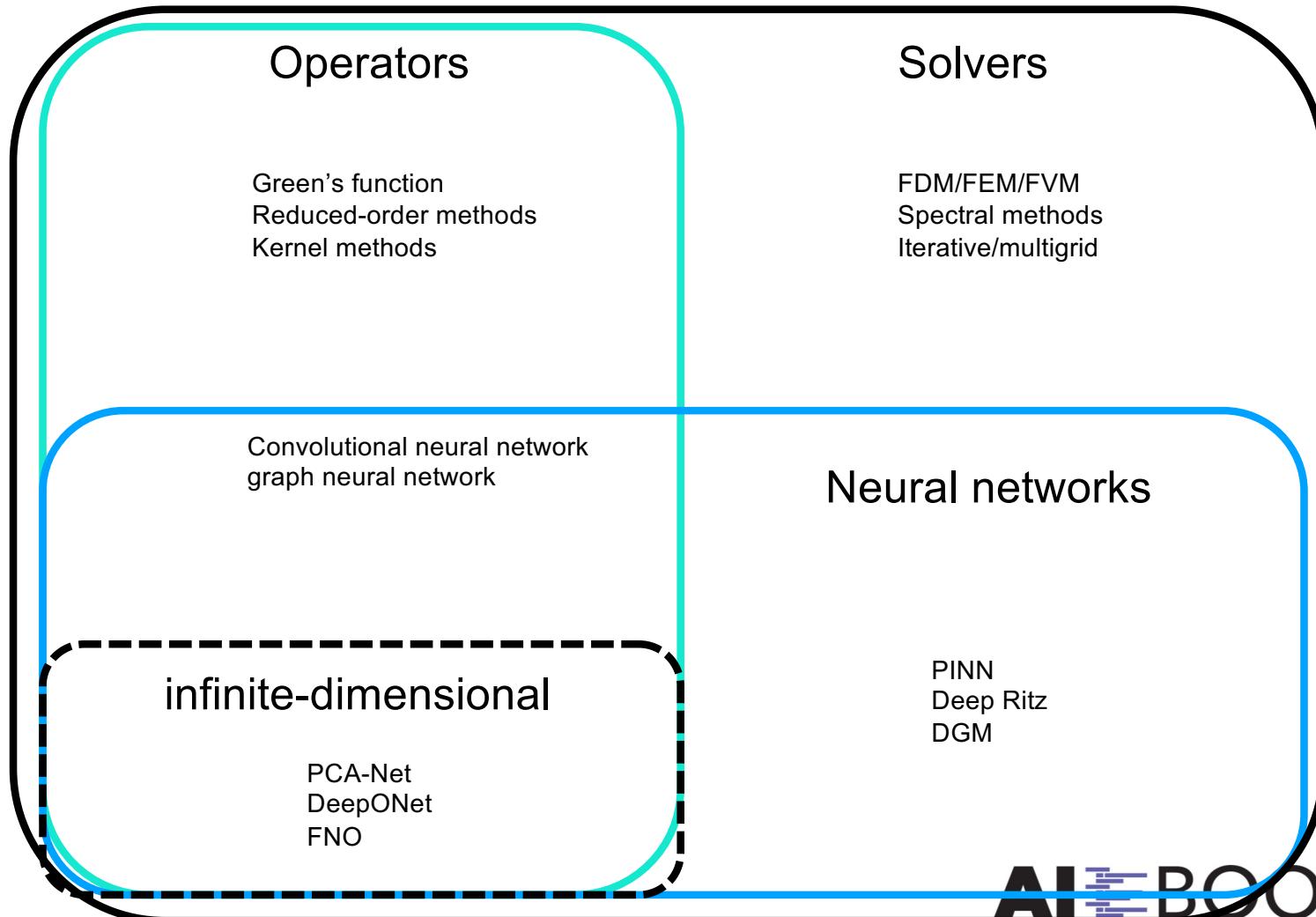
- Simple and flexible
- No need to worry about stability conditions, etc
- Complex geometry, high-dim, inverse problem, etc

Cons:

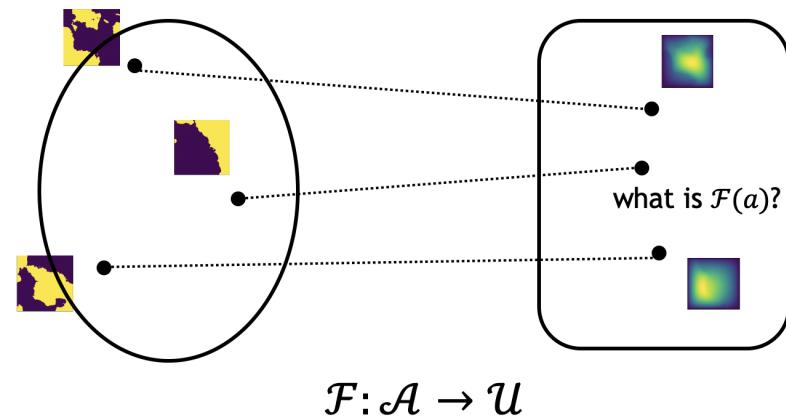
- Optimization is tricky
- Less accurate than existing solvers (FDM/FEM)
- No guarantee of (optimization)

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# 2. Operator learning

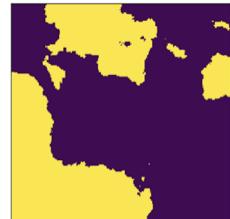


# Operator learning

Operators are map between function space.

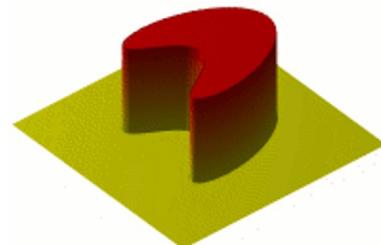
Given a dataset of input-output pairs, find the map (operator)

$F: a \rightarrow u$

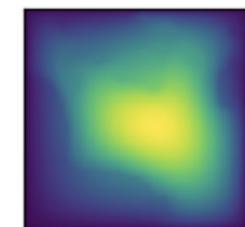


Input: coefficient

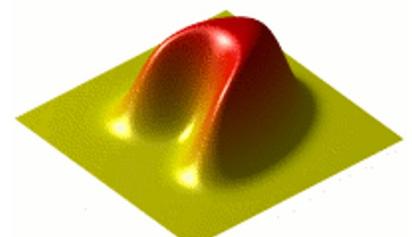
$F: u_0 \rightarrow u_1$



Input: initial



Output: solution



Output: solution

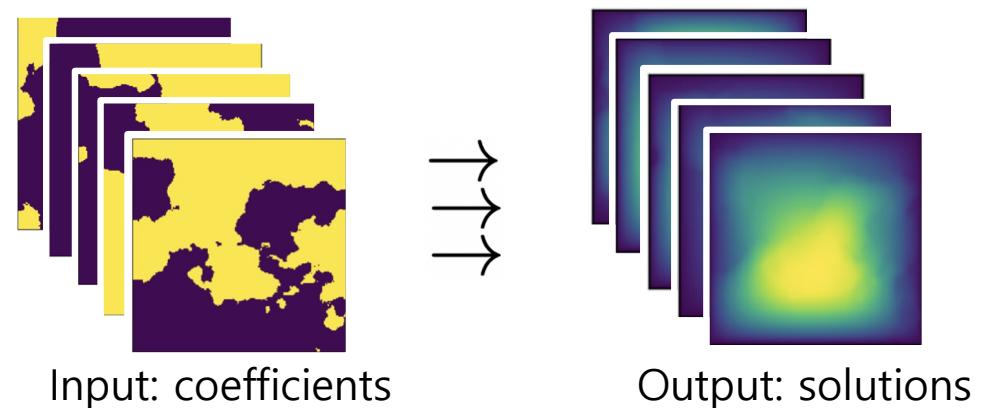
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# Operator learning

Operators are map between function space.

Learn the Operators from data (coefficients & solutions pairs).

- Fix an equation
- Multiple training instances
- Learn the mapping



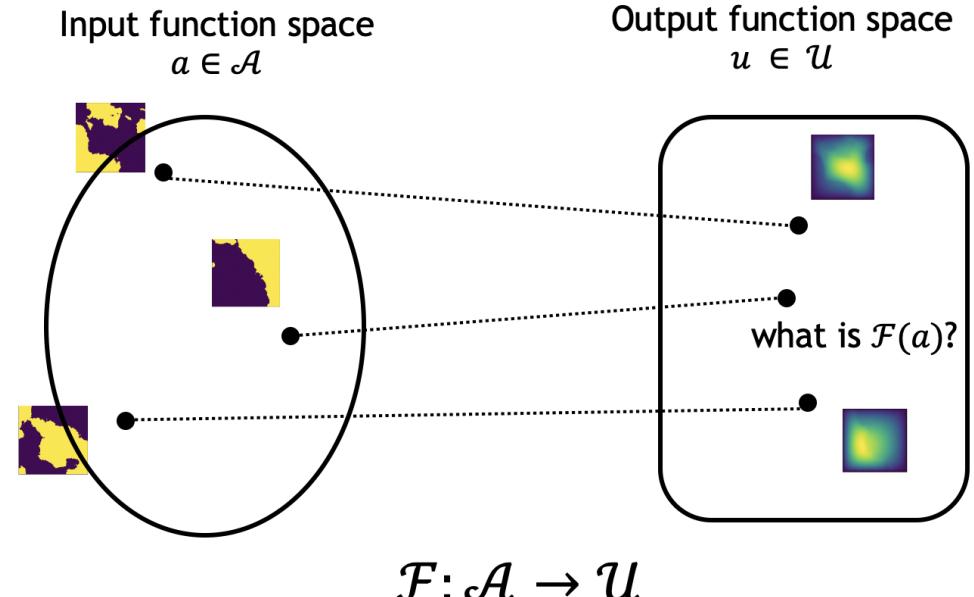
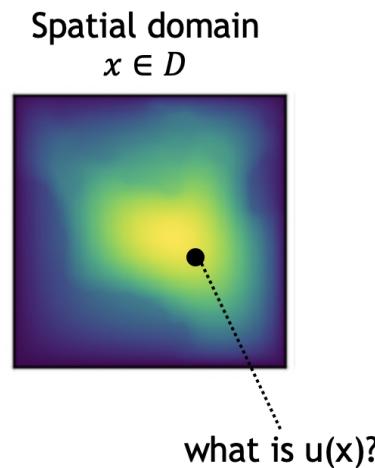
$$\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{A} \times \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$$

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# Solve vs learn

Solving for a PDE instance  $u$   
approximate  $u(x)$  in the spatial space.

learn the solution operator  $\mathcal{F}$   
interpolate  $u$  in the function space.



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# Pipeline of operator learning

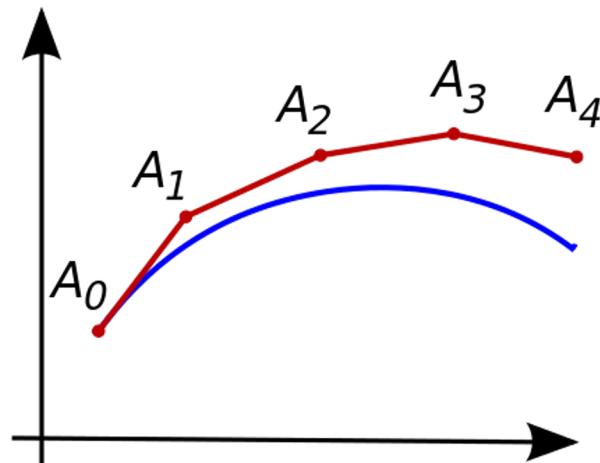
## Supervised learning

Get a dataset  $\{(a, u)\}$  (existing solvers or experiments)

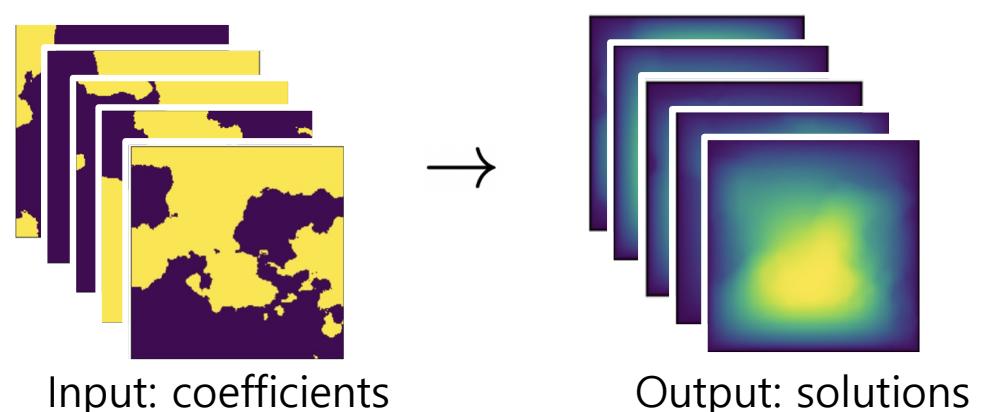
- Initialize NN,  $F: a \rightarrow u$
- For  $N$  epoch, For batches of data pairs  $(a, u)$
- Compute the prediction  $F(a)$
- Minimize  $\|F(a) - u\|$

# Solve vs learn

Conventional methods:  
Solve the equation  
By approximation on a mesh



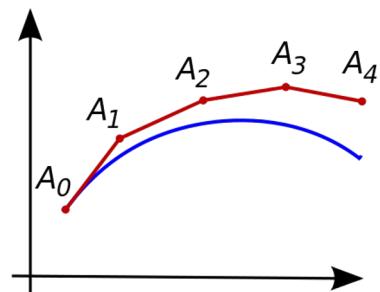
Data-driven methods:  
Learn the trajectory  
From a distribution



# Solve vs learn

## Conventional methods:

- Solve for any parameters
- Worst case guarantees
- Consistency



## Data-driven methods:

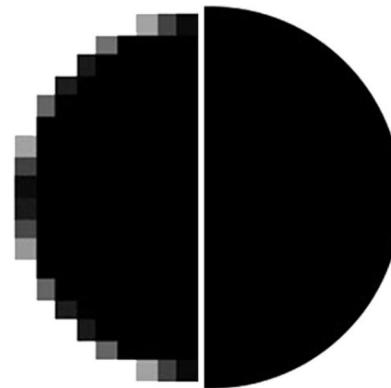
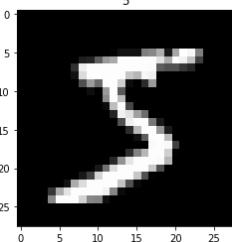
- Parameters from a distribution
- Less guaranteed
- Not “consistent”



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# Architecture design

- Not vector-to-vector mapping.
- But function-to-function mapping.

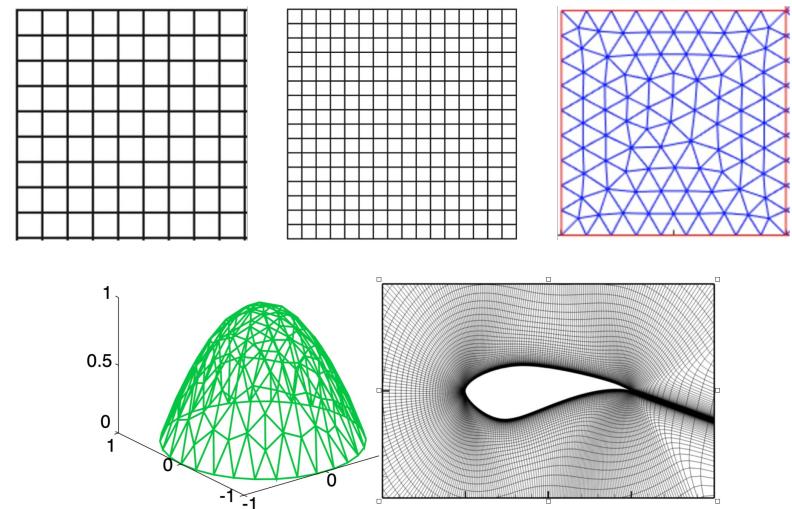


Vocabulary:  
Man, woman, boy,  
girl, prince,  
princess, queen,  
king, monarch



|          | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| man      | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| woman    | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| boy      | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| girl     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| prince   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| princess | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| queen    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| king     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| monarch  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

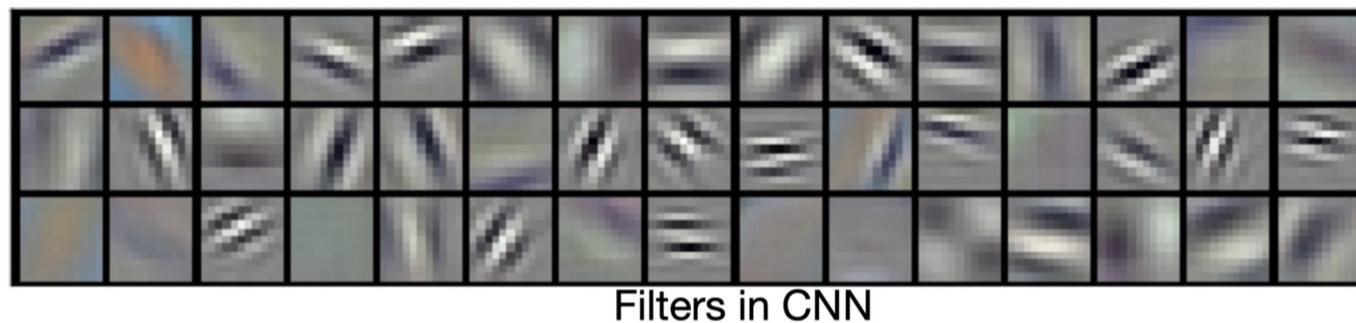
Discretized vector



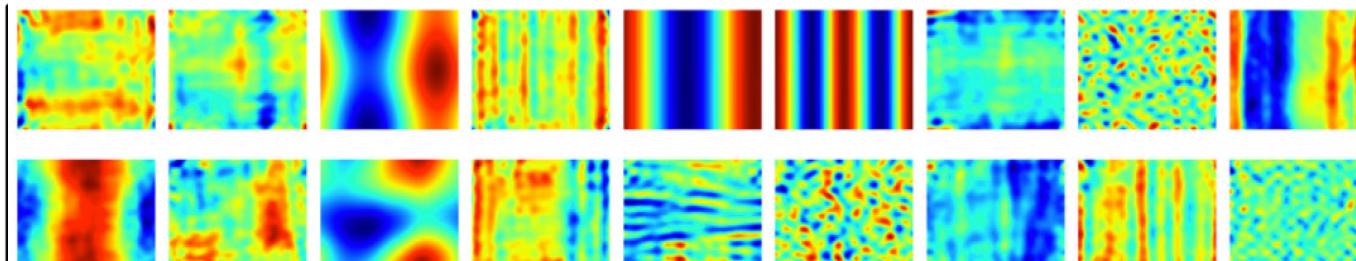
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Continuous function

# CNN vs Neural operators

Key idea: represent function & operator in mesh-invariant way



Filters in CNN



Fourier Filters

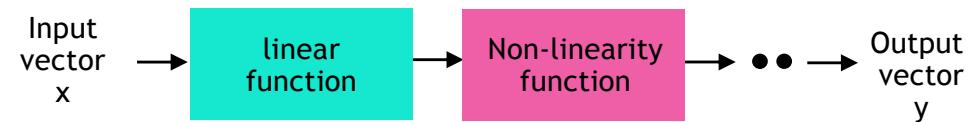
# 3.1 Neural operator

$$u = (K_l \circ \sigma_l \circ \cdots \circ \sigma_1 \circ K_0) v$$

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# Neural networks

$$f: \mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}$$
$$\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$



$$v_0 = x$$

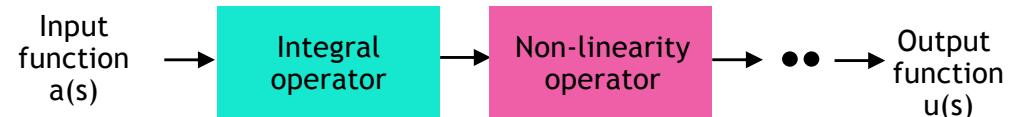
$$v_{l+1} = \sigma(A_l v_l + b_l), \quad l = 0, \dots, L-1$$

$$y = A_L v_L + b_L$$

$$\sigma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad A_l \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{l+1} \times d_l}, \quad b_l \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{l+1}}$$

# Neural operators

$F: a(s) \rightarrow u(s)$   
 $(\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m)$



$$v_0(s) = P(x(s), s)$$

$$v_{l+1}(s) = \sigma \left( W_l v_l(s) + \int_D \kappa_l(s, z) v_l(z) dz + b_l(s) \right), \quad l = 0, \dots, L-1$$

$$y(s) = Q(v_L(s))$$

$$P: \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_0}, \quad W_l \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{l+1} \times d_l}, \quad \kappa_l: \mathbb{R}^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_{l+1} \times d_l}, \quad b_l: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_{l+1}}, \quad Q: \mathbb{R}^L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$$

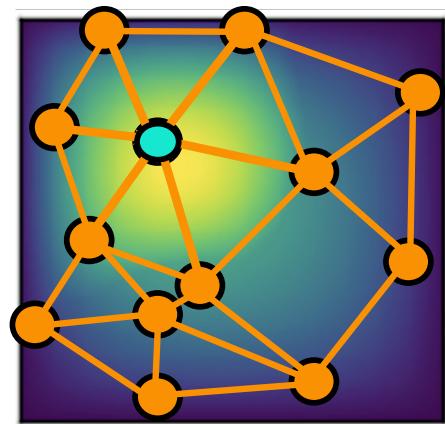
# Approximation bound

For any continuous operator, there exists a two-layers neural operators can approximate it.

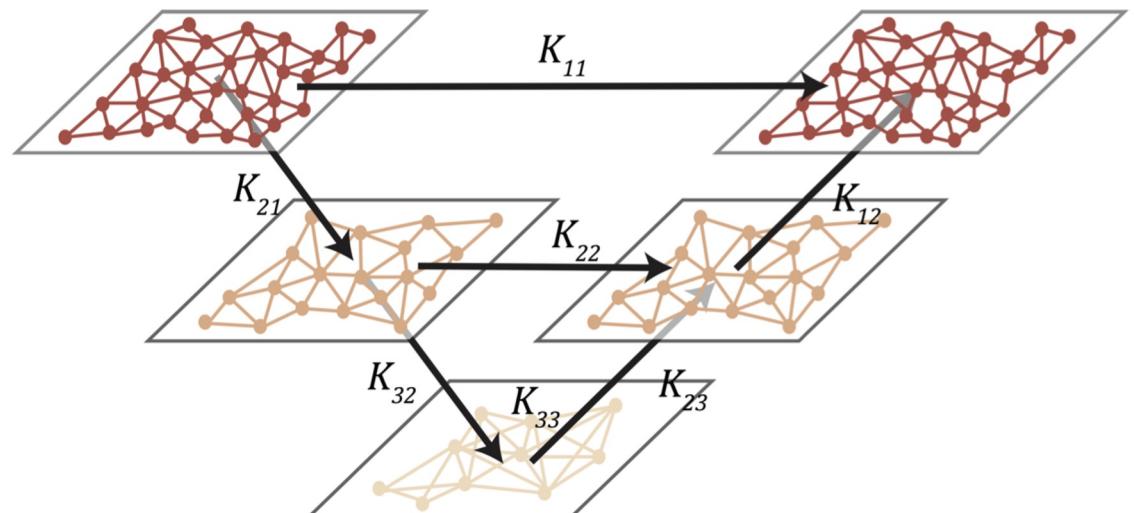
For the solution operator of Navier-Stokes equation, the number of parameters depends sub-linearly on the error

Neural Operator: Learning Maps Between Function Spaces. Kovachki et. al.  
On universal approximation and error bounds for Fourier Neural Operators. Kovachki et. al.

# Graph-based neural operators



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<https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.03485>

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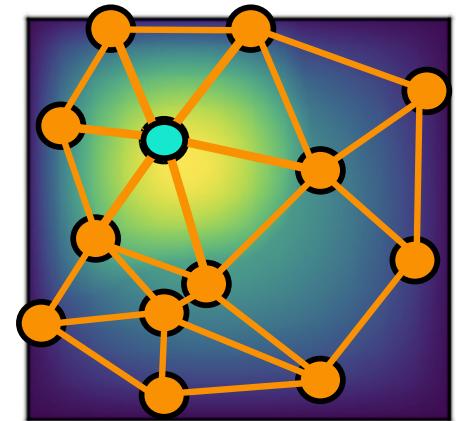
## Kernel convolution as message passing on graph

$$v_{t+1}(x) = \sigma \left( W v_t(x) + \int_D \kappa_\phi(x, y, a(x), a(y)) v_t(y) \nu_x(dy) \right)$$

$$v_{t+1}(x) = W v_t(x) + \sum_{y \in N(x)} \kappa_\phi(e(x, y)) v_t(y)$$

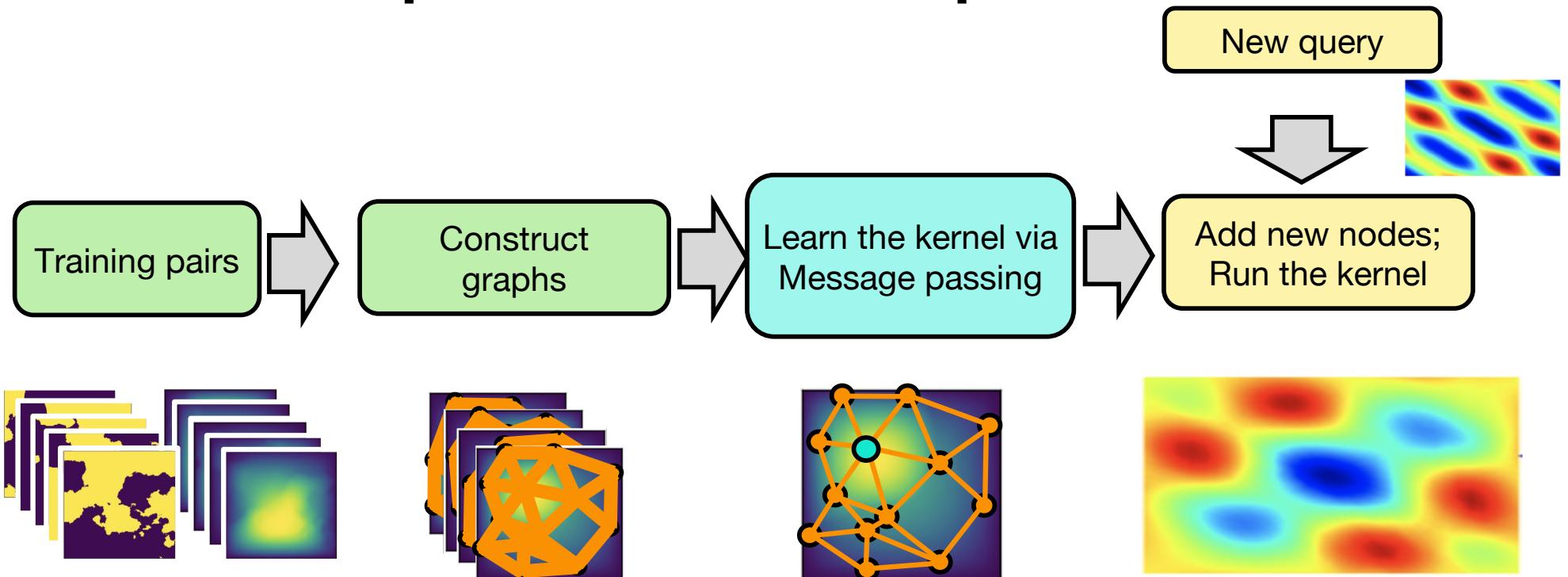
- Adjacency matrix = kernel matrix.
- Kernel integration = message passing

Graph neural network



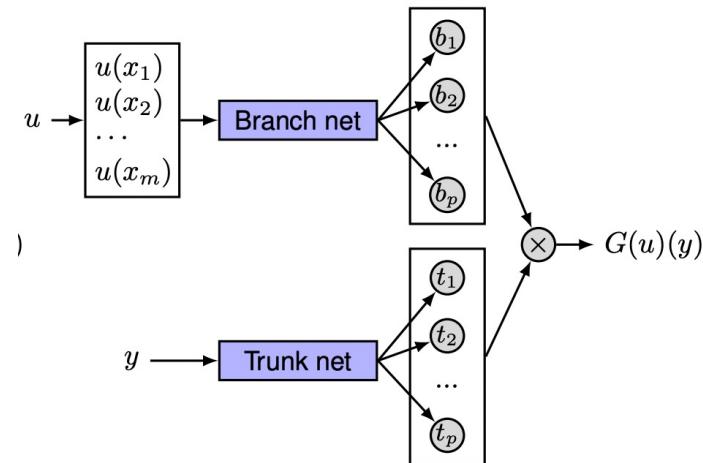
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# Graph Kernel Operator



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## 3.2 Deep Operator Network



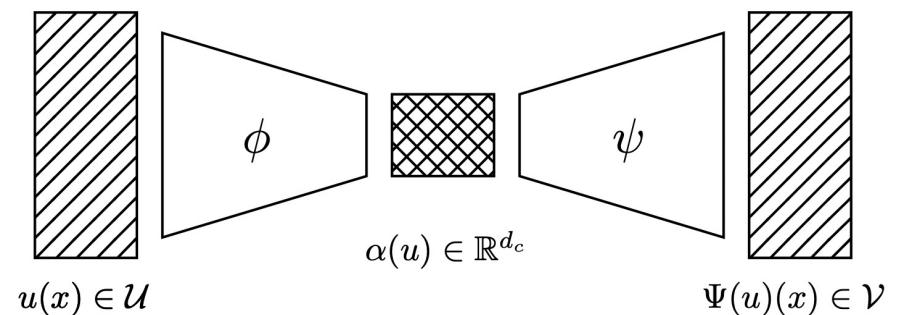
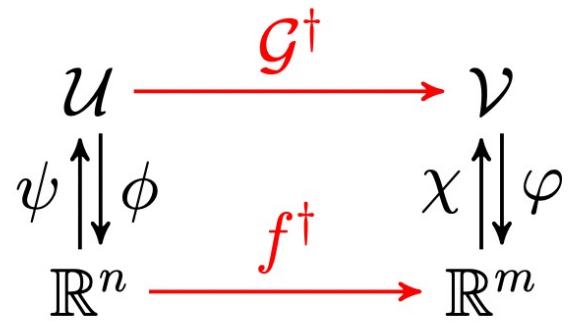
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# Encoder-decoder operator

PCA-Net, DeepONet:

Define map of finite dimensional subspace with a fixed number of basis



# Parameterize infinite dimensional map by finite dimensional parameters

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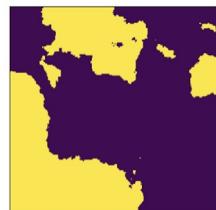
Define map of finite dimensional subspace with a fixed number of basis

| Method   | Encoding            | Finite-dim. Mapping | Reconstruction       |
|----------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| FEM      | Galerkin projection | Numerical scheme    | Finite element basis |
| FVM      | Cell averages       | Numerical scheme    | Piecewise polynomial |
| FD       | Point values        | Numerical scheme    | Interpolation        |
| PCA-Net  | PCA projection      | Neural network      | PCA basis            |
| DeepONet | Linear encoder      | Neural network      | Neural network basis |

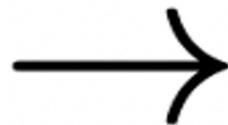
# DeepONet

$F: [a(x), y] \rightarrow u(y)$   
 $[(R^n \rightarrow R^m), R^n] \rightarrow R^m$

Input functions + query point  $\rightarrow$  the solution at the query point



(y)



$u(y)$

Input:  $a(x)$

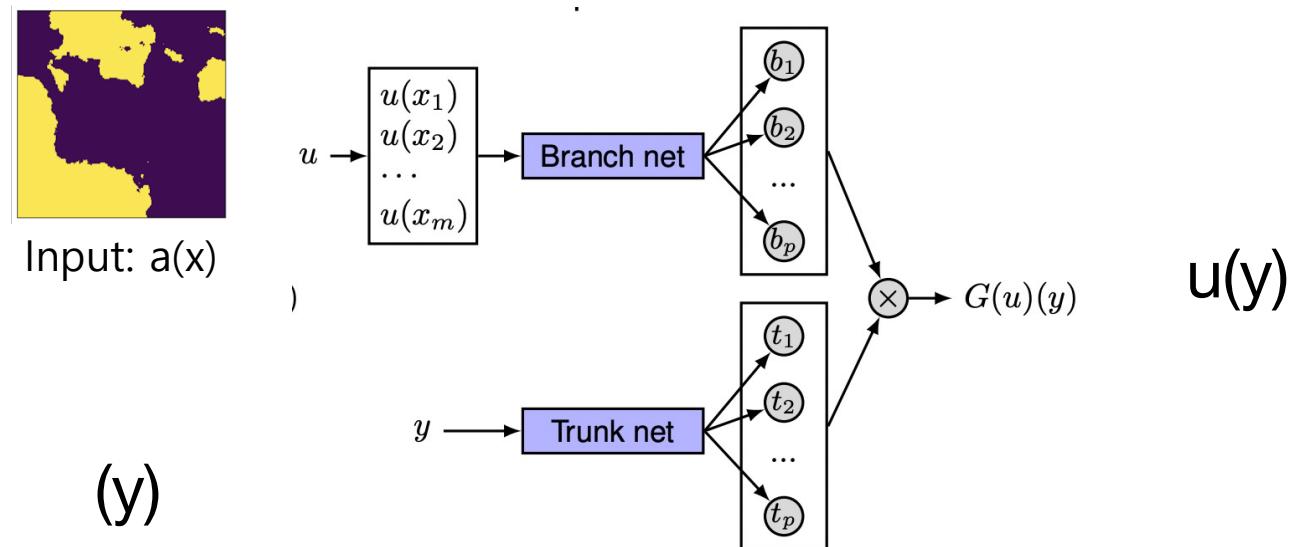
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# DeepONet

Two networks:

- Branch net takes the input function
- Trunk net takes the query point



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# DeepONet and Neural operator

Two slightly different formulations.

Potentially one can be converted into the other.

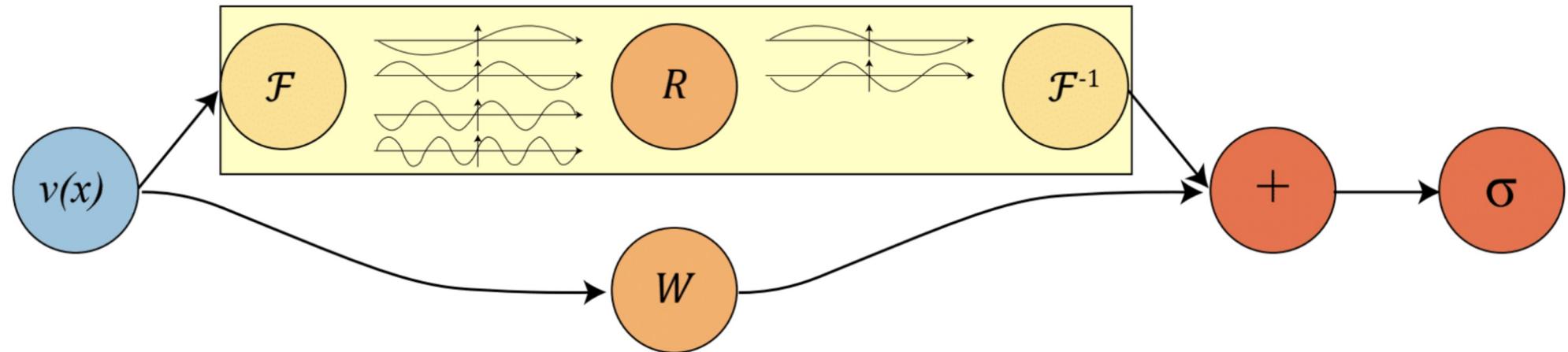
Implementation difference:

- Neural operator is easier if input and output are fully observed functions.
- DeepONet is easier when given sparse observation from sensors  $a(x)$  and query  $u(y)$ .

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## 3.3 Fourier neural operator



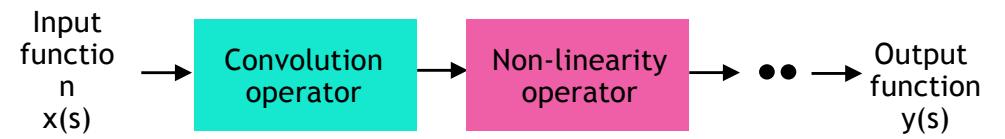
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# Fourier neural operators

$F: x(s) \rightarrow y(s)$   
 $(\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m)$



## Architecture

$$v_{I+1}(s) = \sigma \left( W_I v_I(s) + \int_D \kappa_I(s, z) v_I(z) dz + b_I(s) \right)$$

## Fourier space

- Assume  $\kappa_I(s, z) = \kappa_I(s - z)$  and parametrize its Fourier components  $\theta_I$ .
  - Convolution theorem:  $\int_D \kappa_I(s - z) v_I(z) dz = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\theta_I \cdot \mathcal{F}(v_I))(s) \quad \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$

# Fourier layer

Use convolution as the integral operator  
and implement with Fourier transform

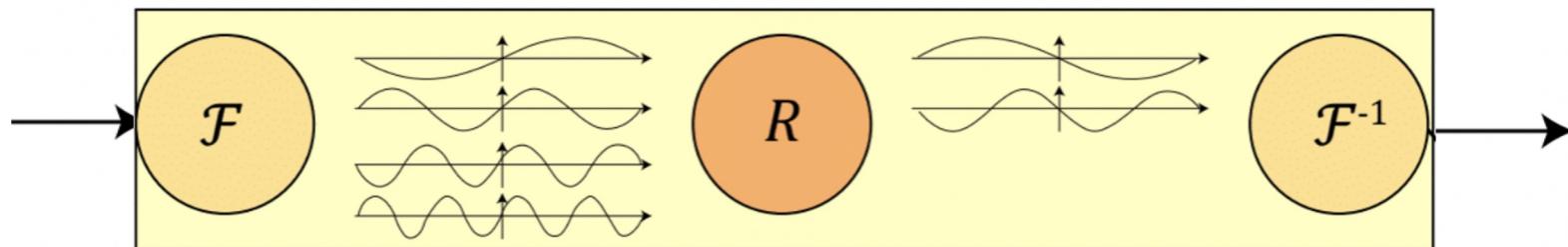
$$(\mathcal{K}(a; \phi)v_t)(x) := \int_D \kappa(x, y, a(x), a(y); \phi)v_t(y)dy,$$

$$(\mathcal{K}(\phi)v_t)(x) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left(R_\phi \cdot (\mathcal{F}v_t)\right)(x)$$

# Fourier layer

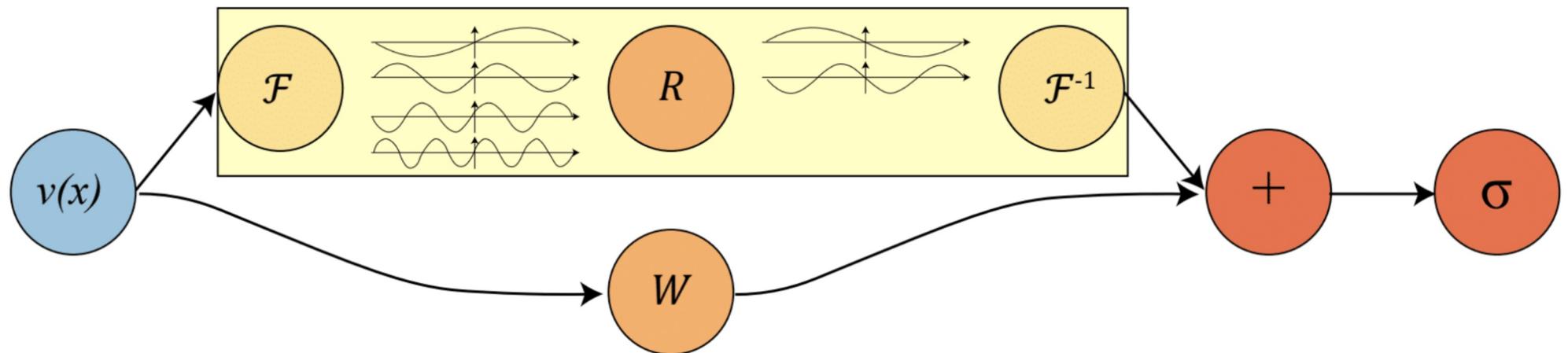
1. Fourier transform
2. Linear transform
3. Inverse Fourier transform

$$(\mathcal{K}(\phi)v_t)(x) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left(R_\phi \cdot (\mathcal{F}v_t)\right)(x)$$



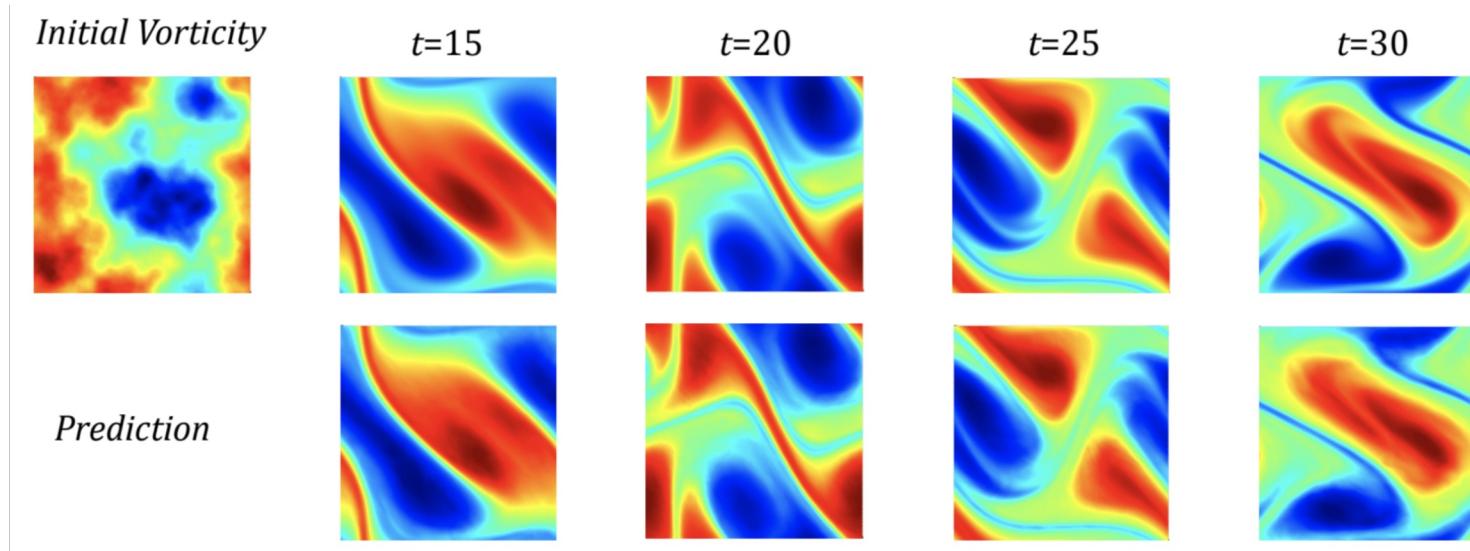
## Fourier layer

The linear transform  $W$  outside keep the track of the location information ( $x$ ) and non-periodic boundary

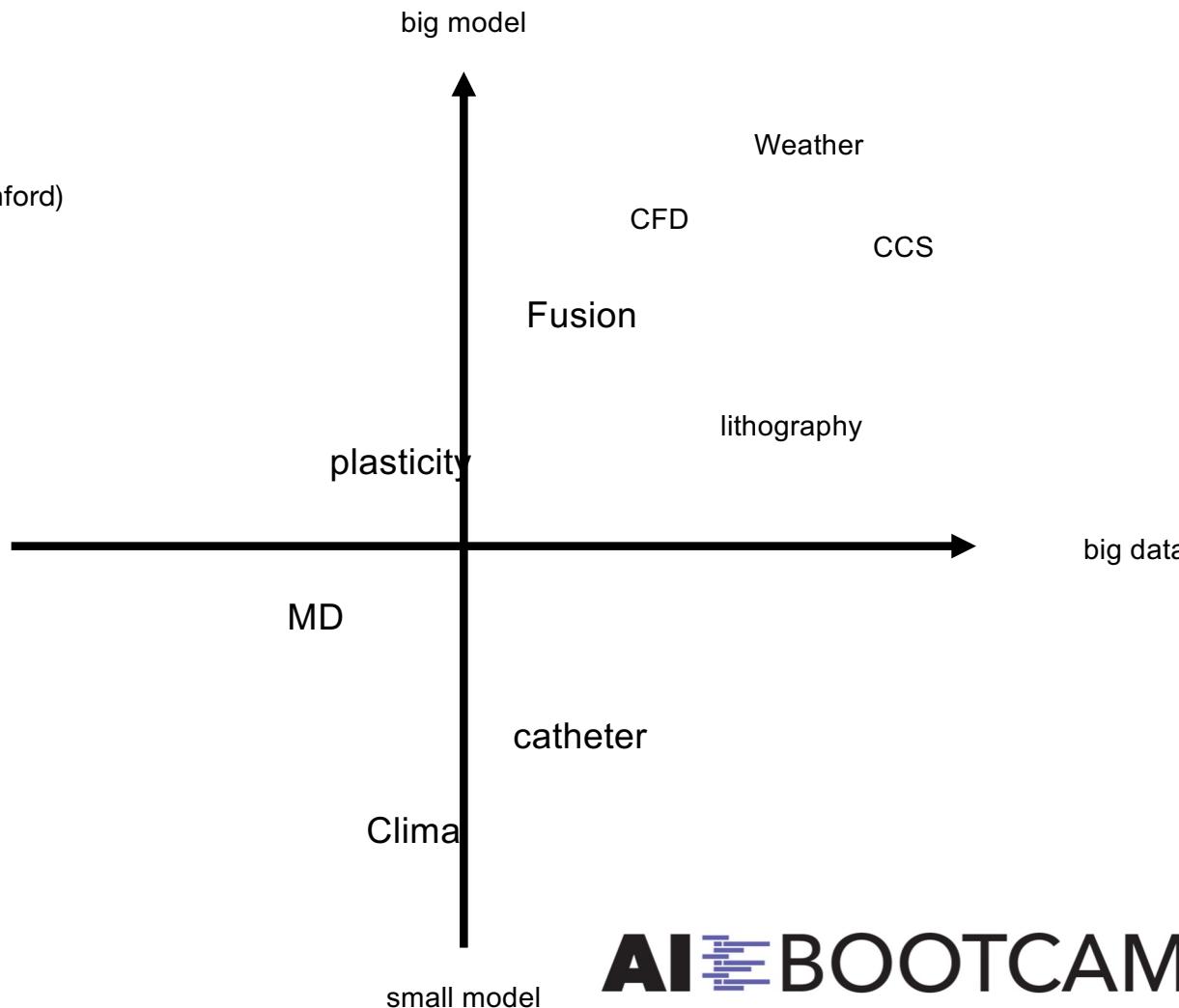


$$v_{t+1}(x) = \sigma \left( W v_t(x) + \int_D \kappa_\phi(x, y, a(x), a(y)) v_t(y) \nu_x(dy) \right)$$

# 4. Experiments

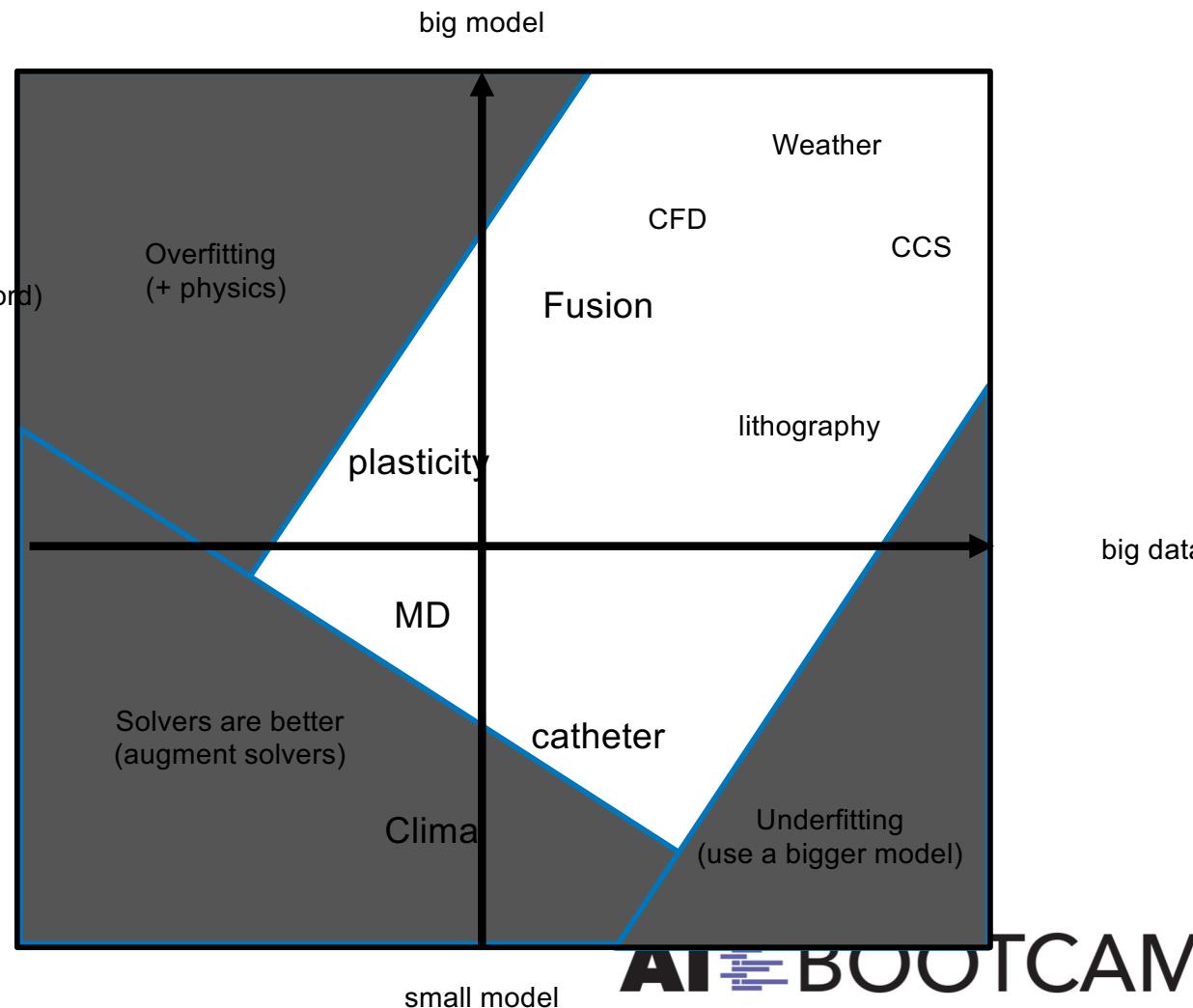


- Weather (Nvidia)
- Carbon Capture & Storage (Stanford)
- Lithography (Nvidia)
- Fluid Mechanics (Caltech)
- Solid Mechanics (Caltech)  
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- Weather (Nvidia)
- Carbon Capture & Storage (Stanford)
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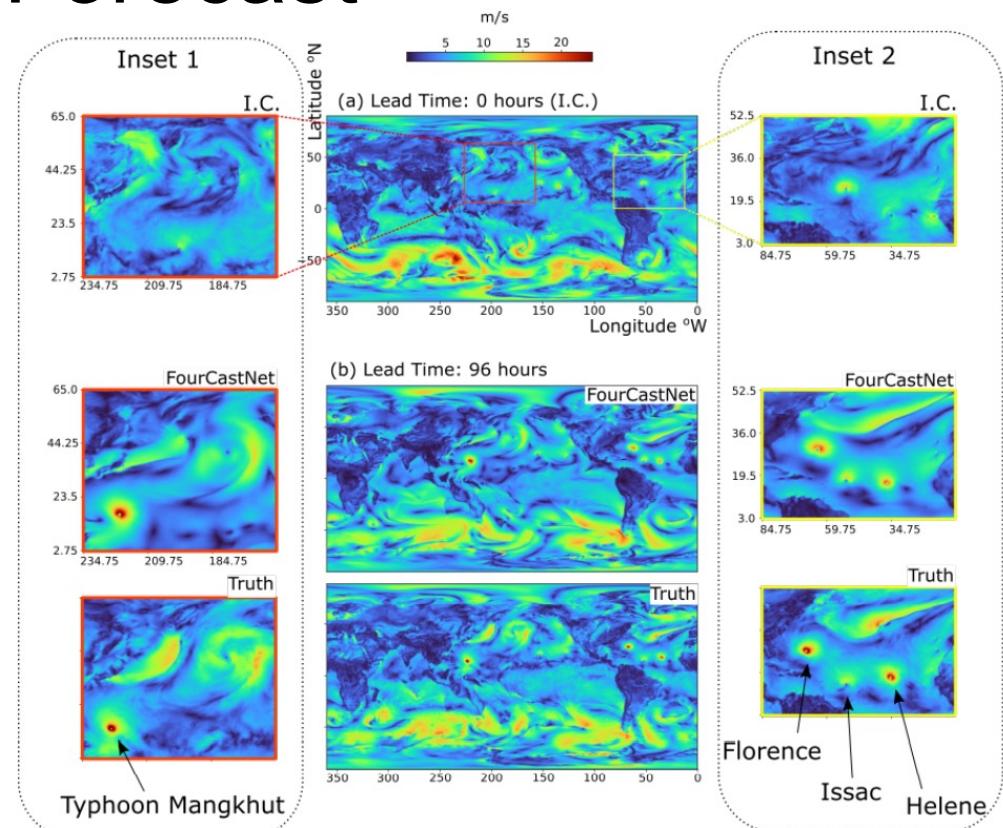


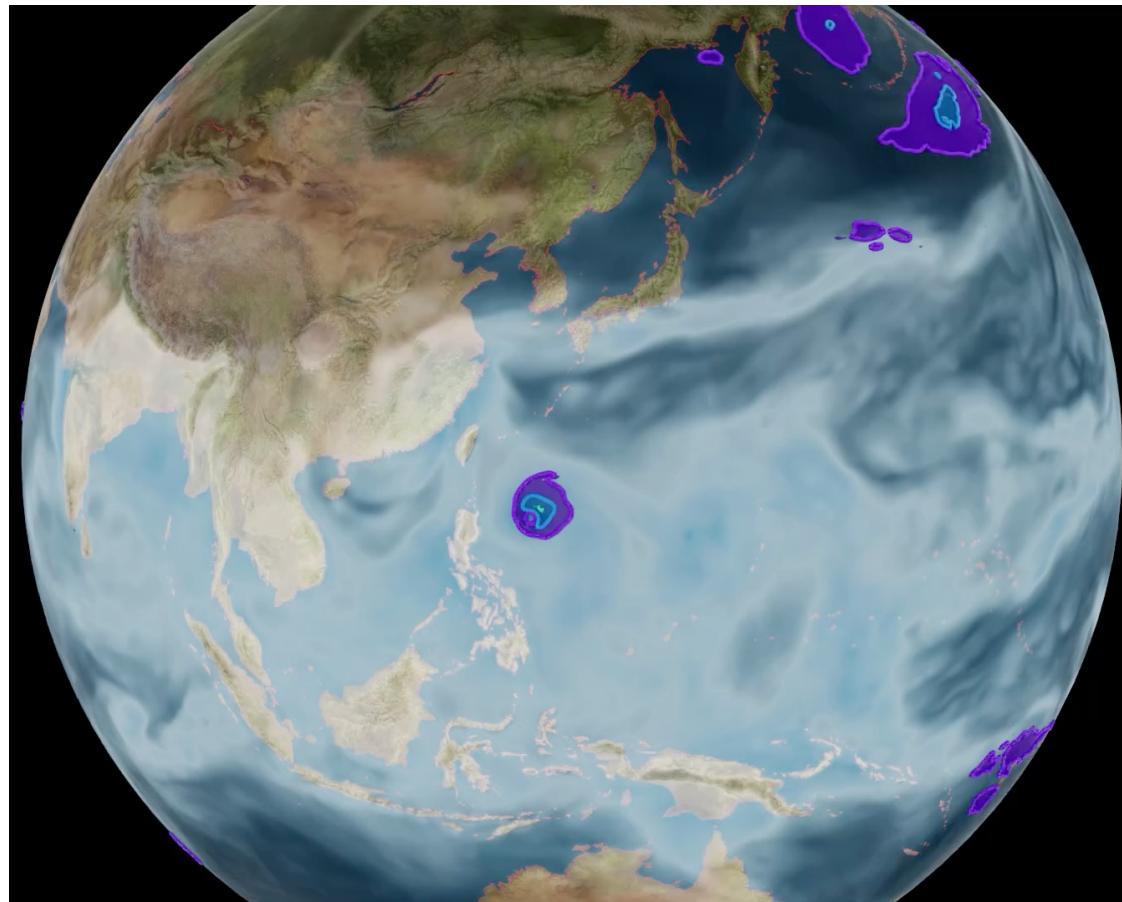
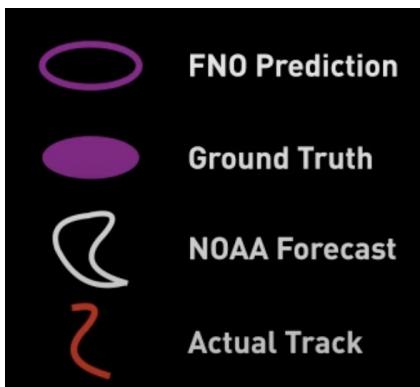
# Weather Forecast

Weather forecast: the AFNO model on the ERA5 dataset

Input the current weather variables, output the weather at 6 hours later.

Pathak et al. (2022), FourCastNet: A Global Data-driven High-resolution Weather Model using Adaptive Fourier Neural Operators, arXiv: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.11214>

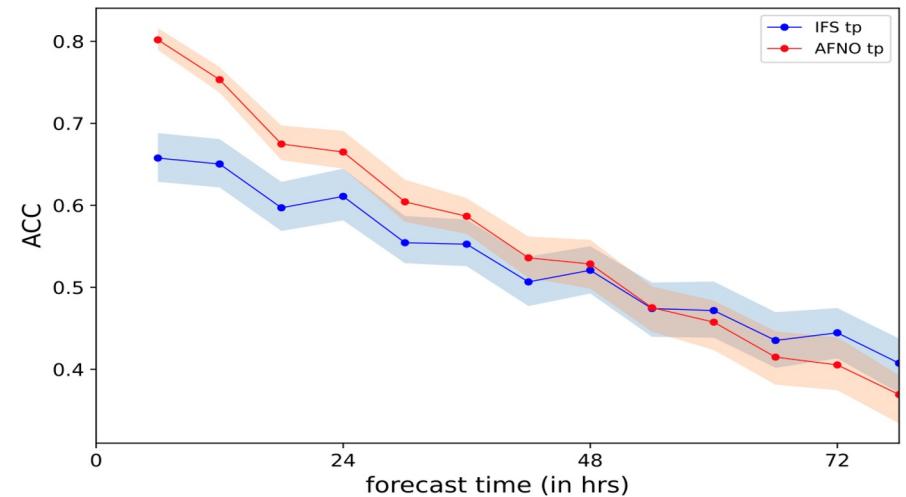




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# Weather Forecast

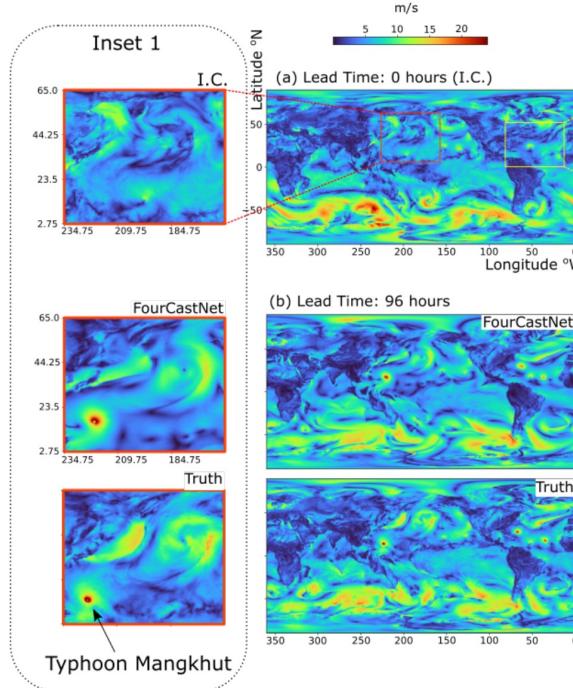
- Unprecedented skill on precipitation forecasts
- 6X higher resolution than other DL models
- 1000-member ensemble in a fraction of a second
- 4 to 5 orders of magnitude speedup over NWP
- 25000X smaller energy footprint



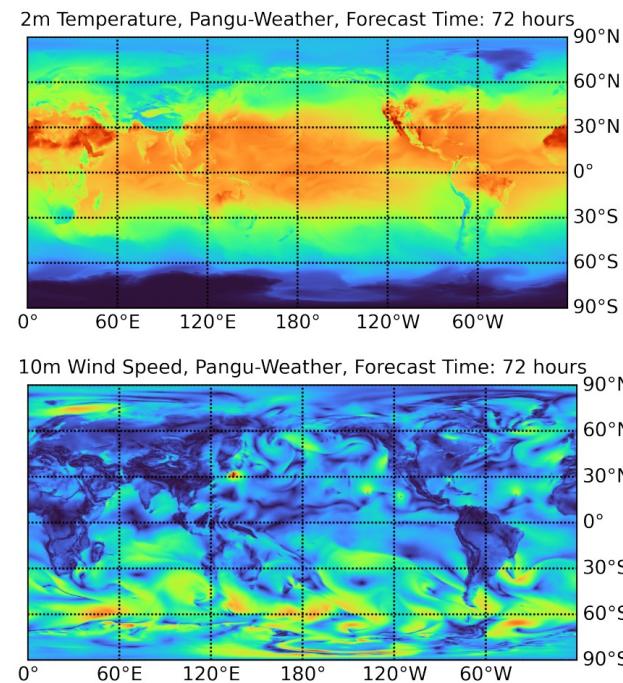
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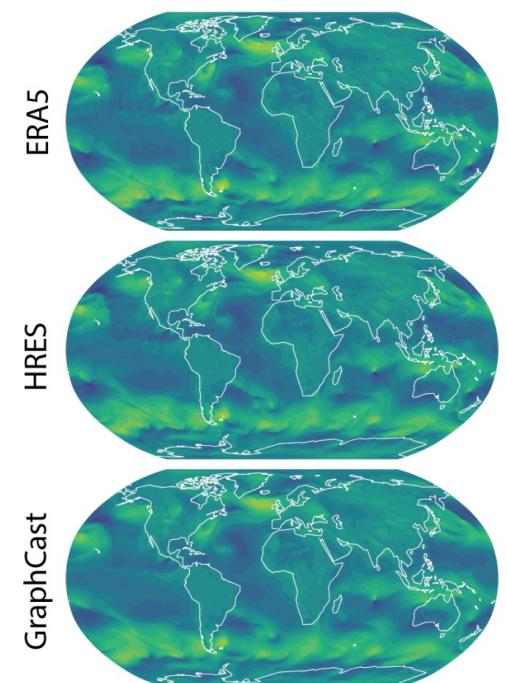
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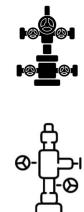
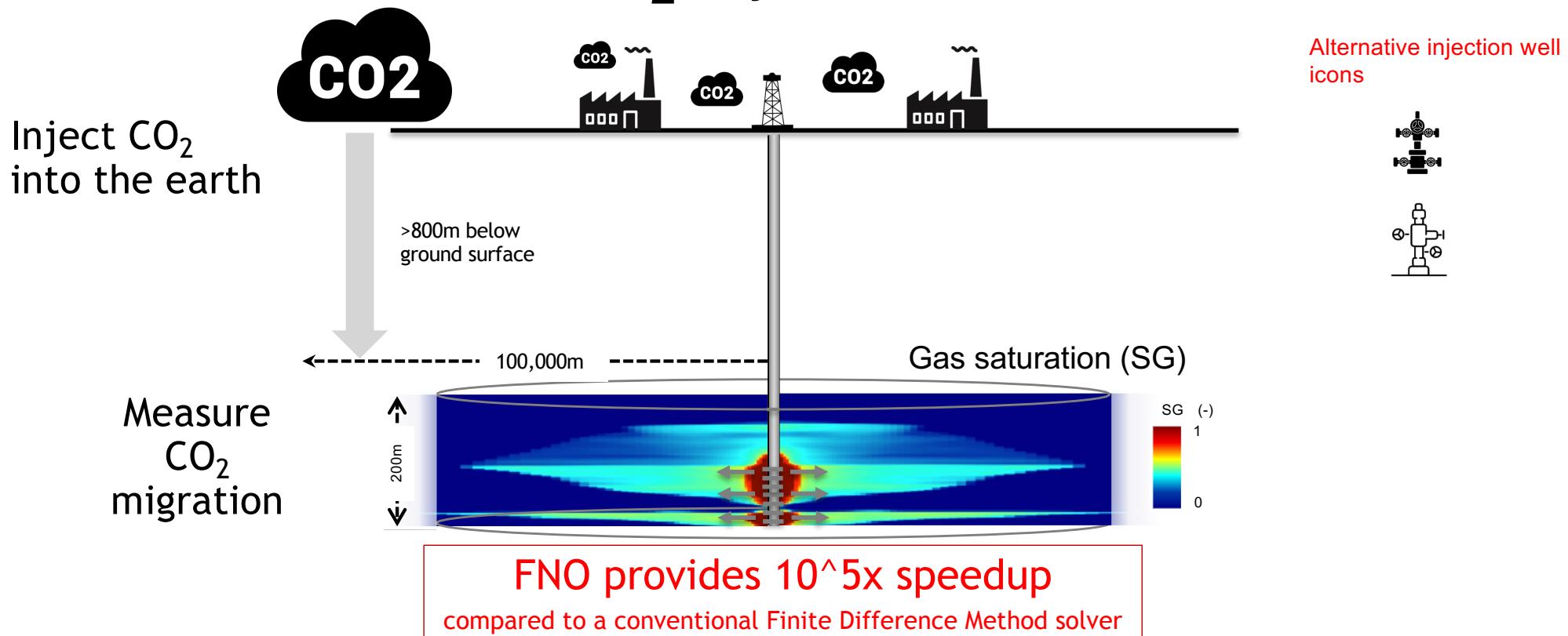


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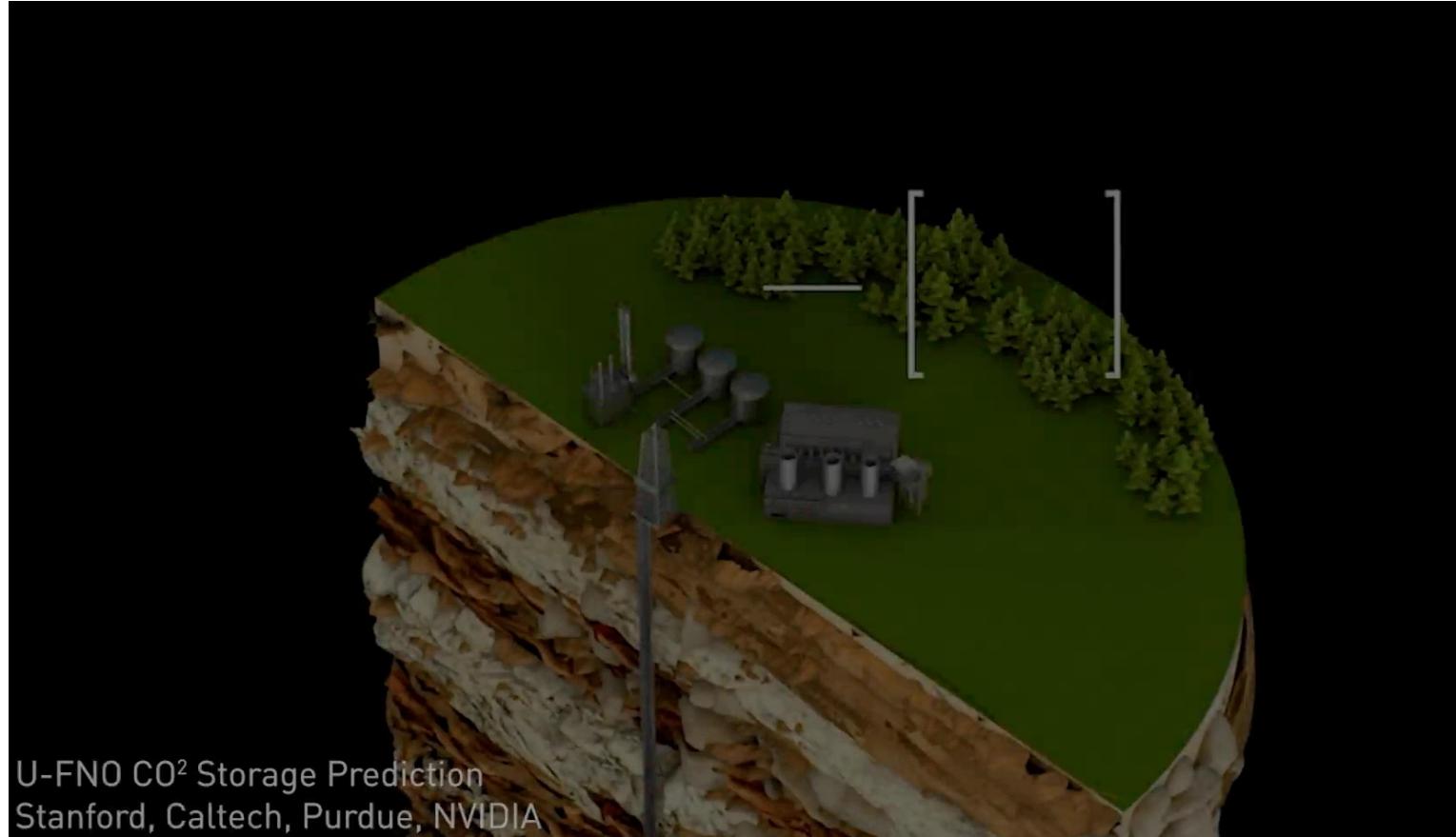


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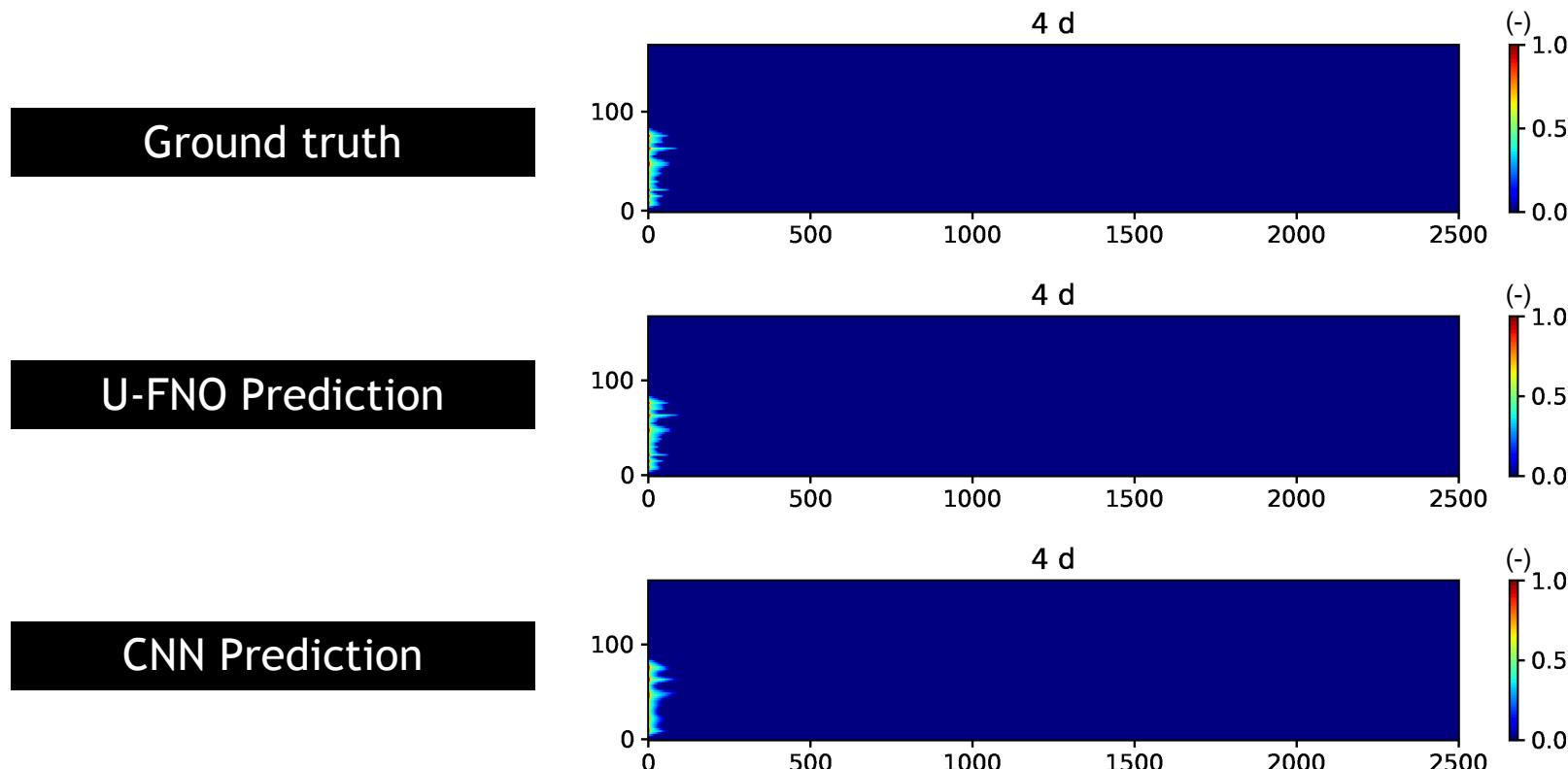
# CO<sub>2</sub> injection



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## Animation of Gas Saturation values over 30 years

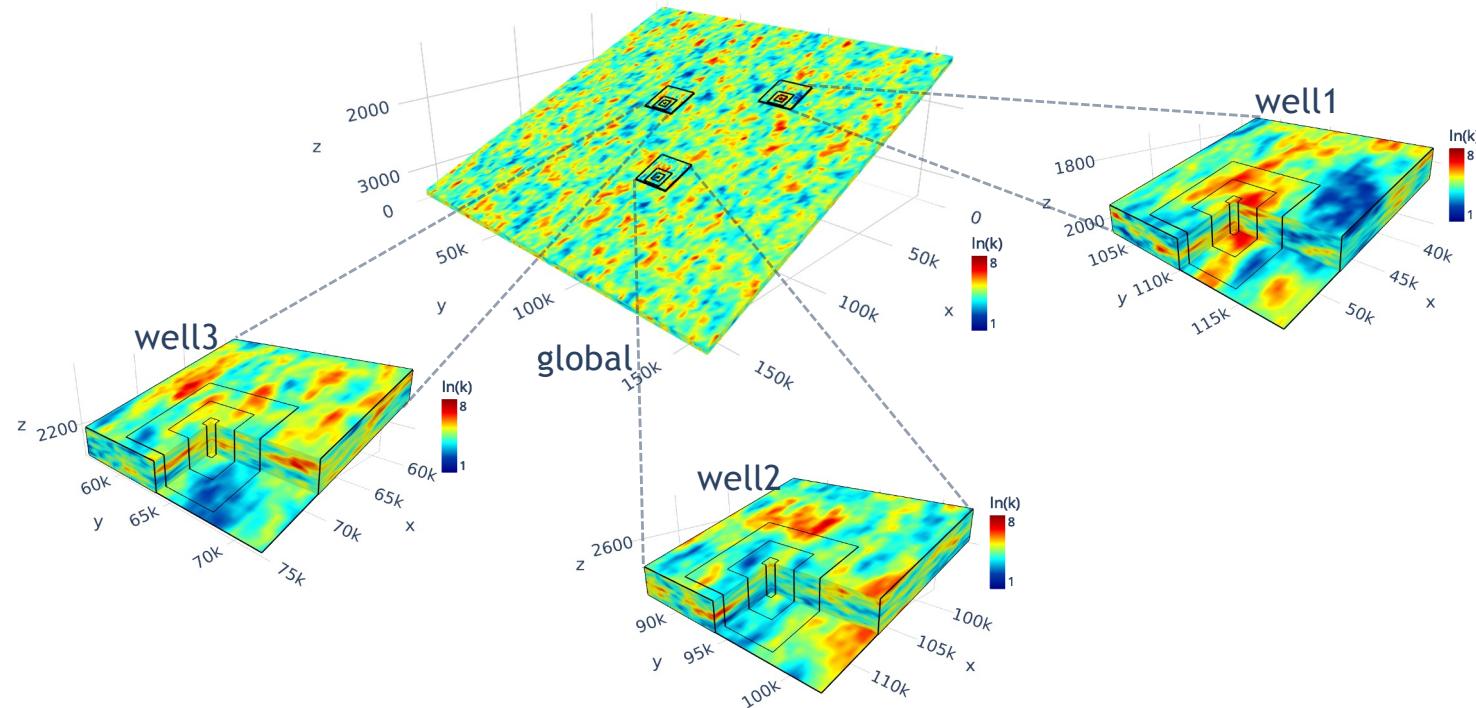


FNO is  $10^5$ x faster than the FDM solver,  
less blurry compared to CNN

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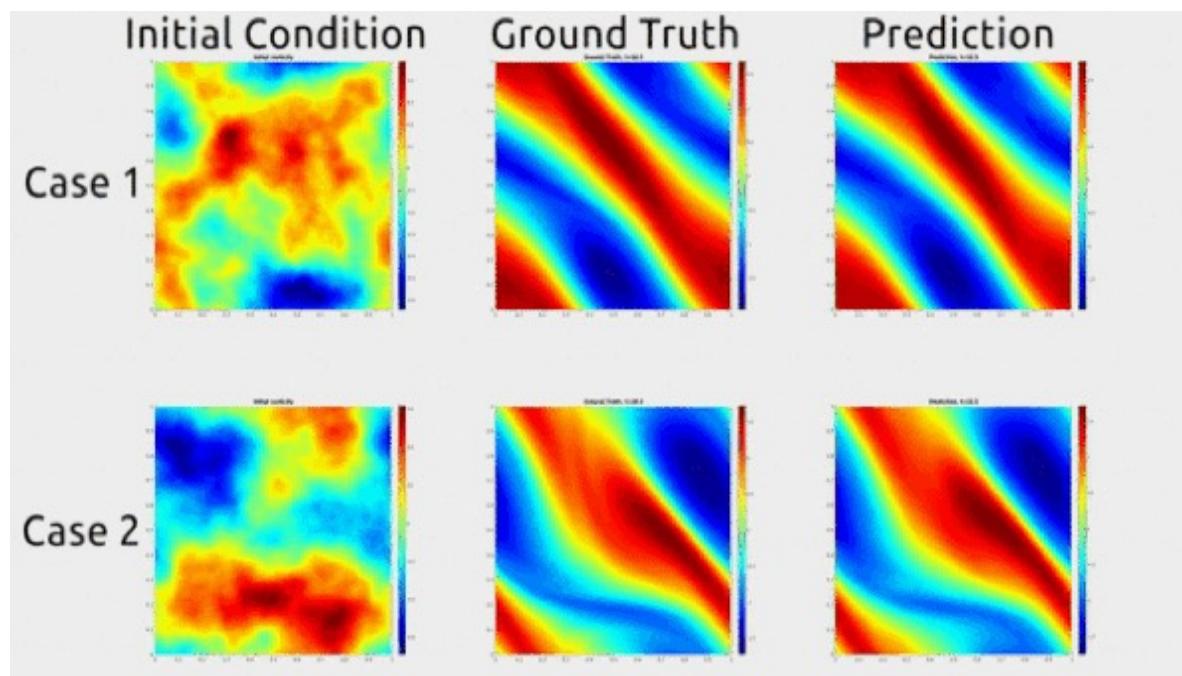
## 3D+time CCS simulation with AI (FNO)

Our AI Method accelerates by 700,000 times

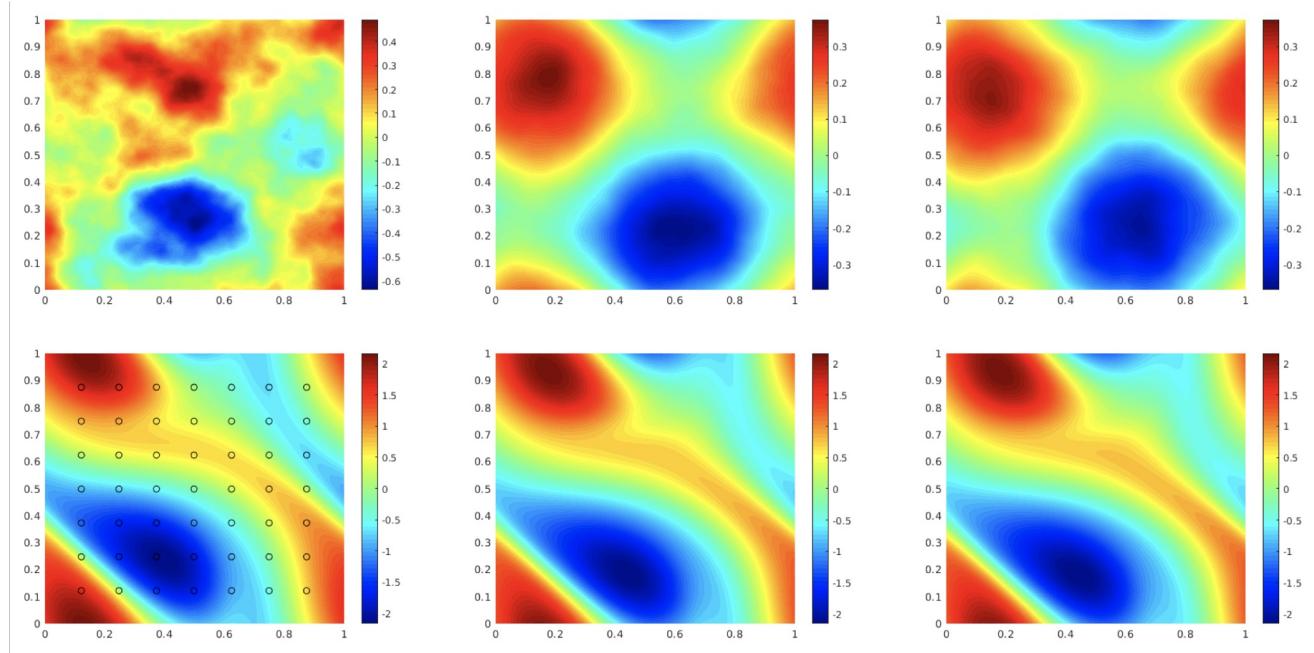


Permeability Heat Map **AI** BOOTCAMP

$V=1e-4$ , zero-shot super-resolution

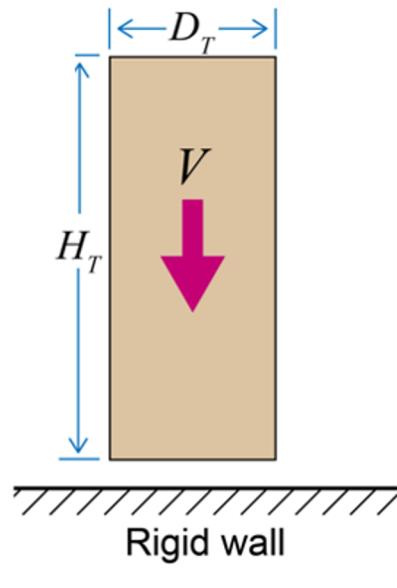


# Bayesian inverse problem:



We use a MCMC method, sampling initial conditions and evaluating them with the traditional solver and Fourier operator. The Fourier operator takes **0.005s** to evaluate each initial condition, while the traditional solver takes **2.2s**.

# Plasticity



$$\nabla \cdot S^\varepsilon = \rho^\varepsilon u_{tt}^\varepsilon$$

$$K^\varepsilon = 0$$

$$u^\varepsilon(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad u_t^\varepsilon(x, 0) = v_0(x), \quad \xi^\varepsilon(x, 0) = \xi_0$$

$$u^\varepsilon(x, t) = u^*(x, t)$$

$$S^\varepsilon(\nabla u^\varepsilon, \xi^\varepsilon, x)n(x) = s^*(x, t)$$

Multi-scale method: use neural operator to map from strain to stress on the unit cell; update macroscale with Abaqus solver.

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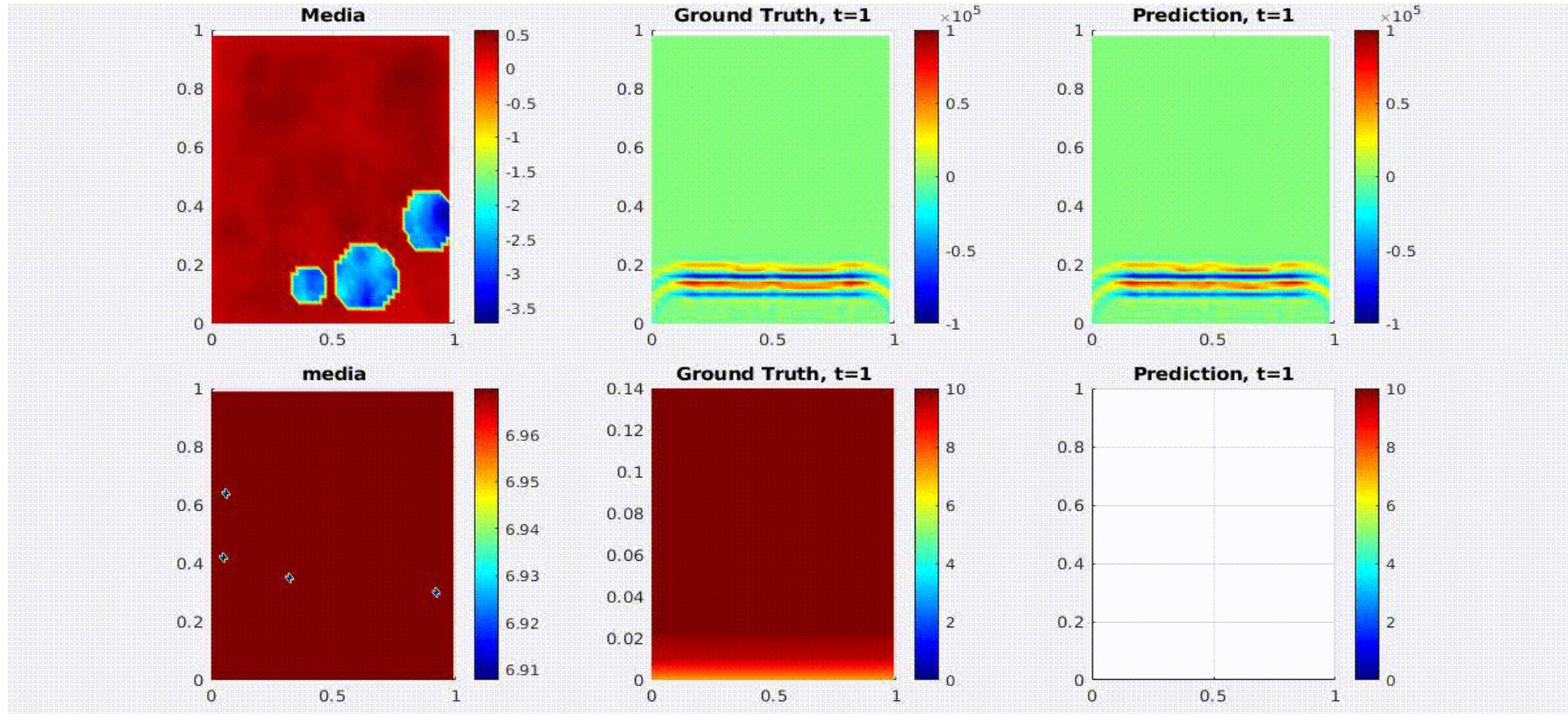
# Plasticity



PCA-operator solves multi-scale plasticity problem (Burigede et. al.)

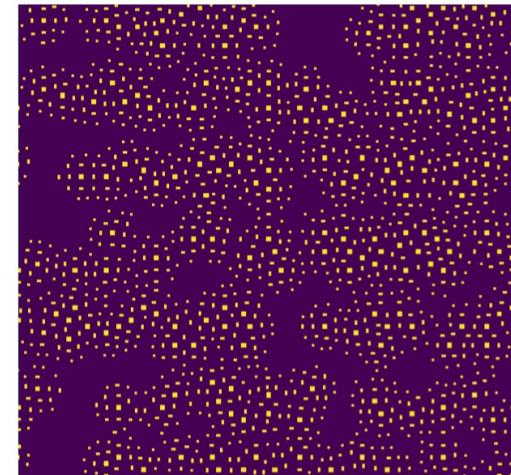
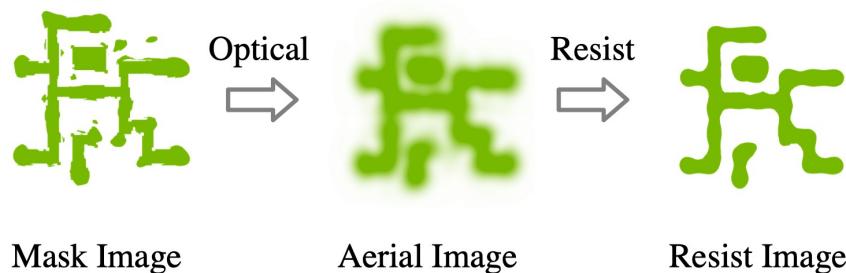
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# Ultrasound



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# lithography

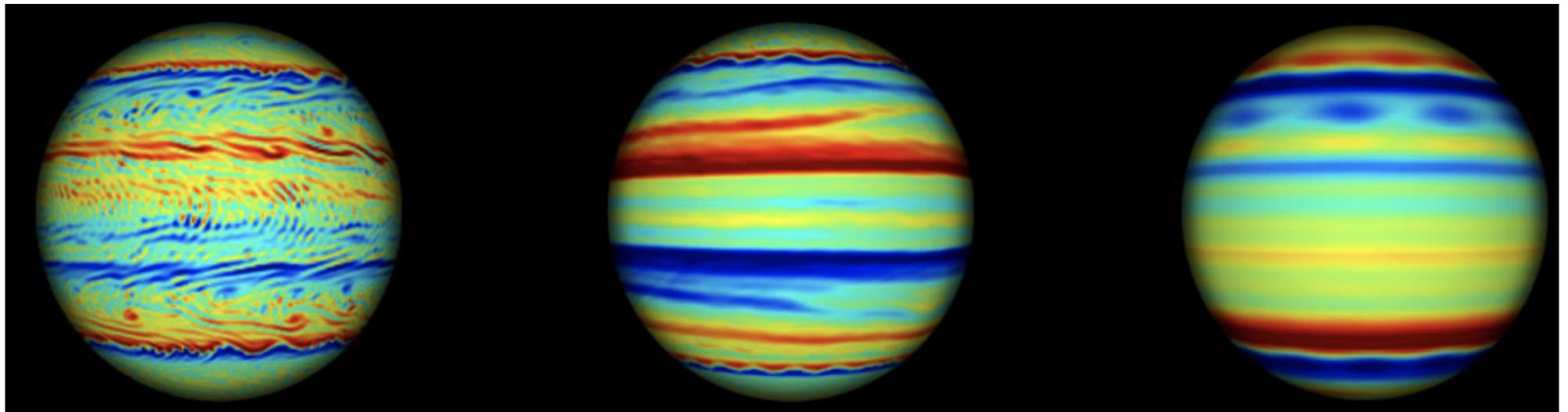


| Benchmark      | UNet@10epoch [25]<br>mPA (%) mIOU (%) |       | DAMO-DLS@10epoch [10]<br>mPA (%) mIOU (%) |       | DAMO-DLS@100epoch [10]<br>mPA (%) mIOU (%) |       | Ours@10epoch<br>mPA (%) mIOU (%) |              |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| ISPD-2019 (L)  | 99.40                                 | 98.03 | 98.40                                     | 97.50 | 99.25                                      | 98.11 | <b>99.43</b>                     | <b>98.27</b> |
| ISPD-2019 (H)  | 99.08                                 | 97.97 | -   | -     | -  | -     | <b>99.21</b>                     | <b>98.45</b> |
| ICCAD-2013 (L) | 97.30                                 | 95.38 | 96.24                                     | 95.15 | 98.94                                      | 96.97 | <b>98.98</b>                     | <b>97.79</b> |
| ICCAD-2013 (H) | 95.16                                 | 93.04 | -   | -     | -  | -     | <b>99.12</b>                     | <b>97.77</b> |

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# 5. Extensions

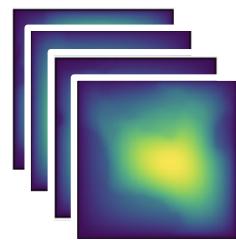


# PINO: physics-informed neural operator

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Kamyar Azizzadenesheli, Anima Anandkumar

# PINO: Physics-informed neural operator

Data loss: compare prediction  
and ground-truth solution



Equation loss: plug prediction  
in PDE and compute residual

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (a(x)\nabla u(x)) &= f(x), & x \in D \\ u(x) &= 0, & x \in \partial D \end{aligned}$$

# PINO: PHYSICS-INFORMED NEURAL OPERATOR

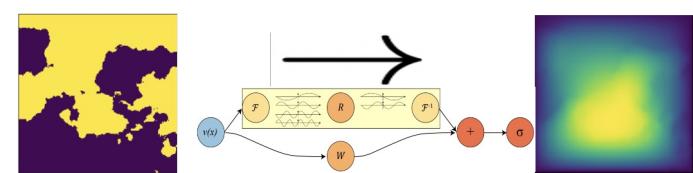
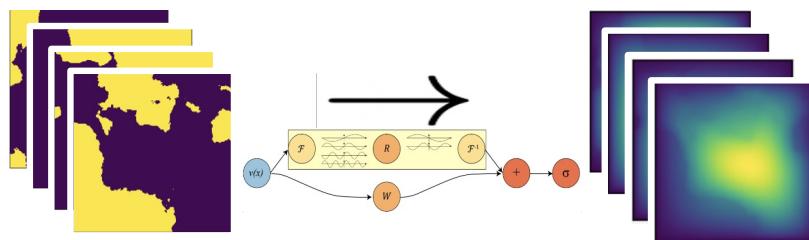
Neural operators use only the data. If the explicit form of the PDE is known, we can combine neural operators with the PINNs setting.

## 1. Pre-train

- operator-learning setting
- a family of PDE
- use the data loss (and equation loss)

## 2. test-time optimize

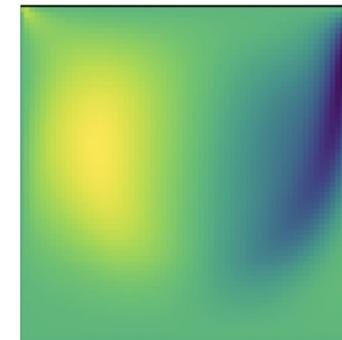
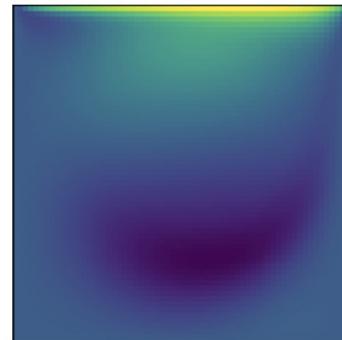
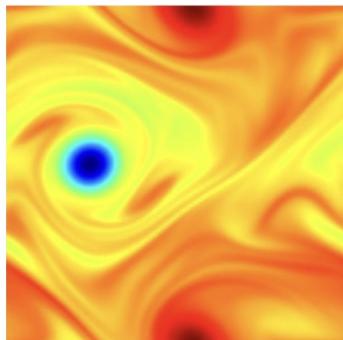
- solver setting (PINN)
- a specific instance
- use the equation loss



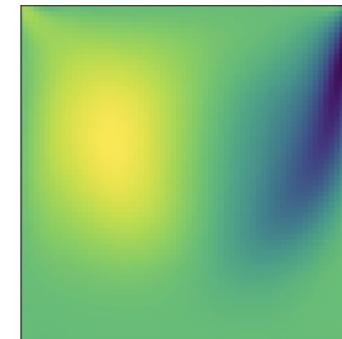
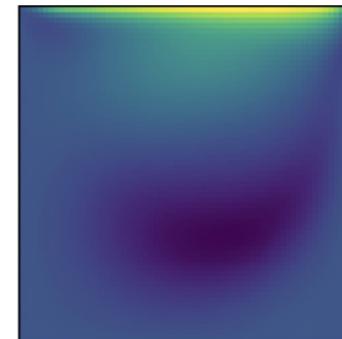
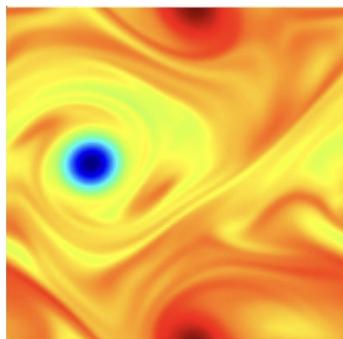
## Physics-informed neural operator

Standard cases (Burgers, Darcy, KF, Cavity): no need to use any data

- Pretrain improves both the convergence speed and final error.
- ground truth



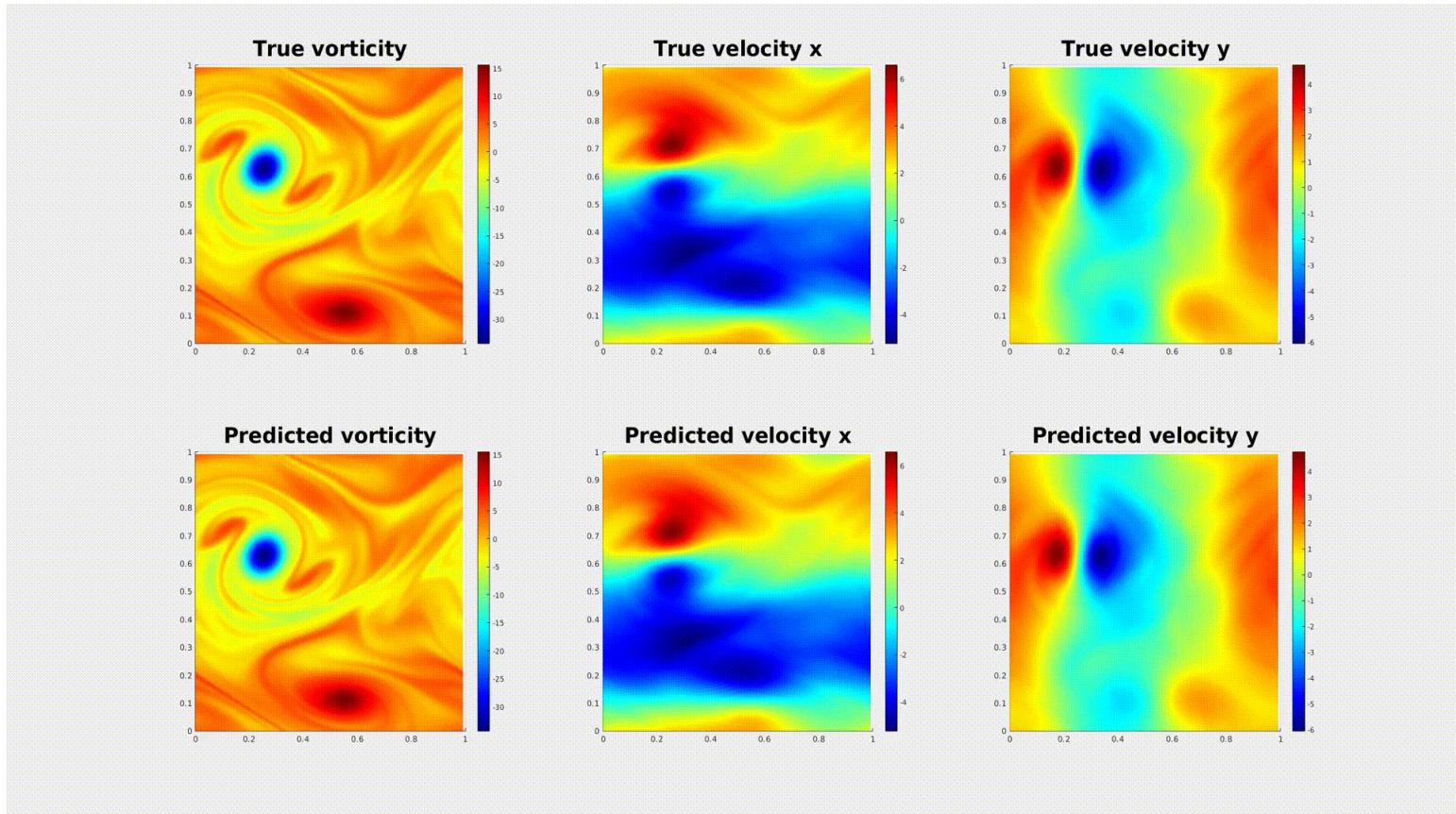
prediction



(a) KF: vorticity

(b) Cavity: velocity in x, y

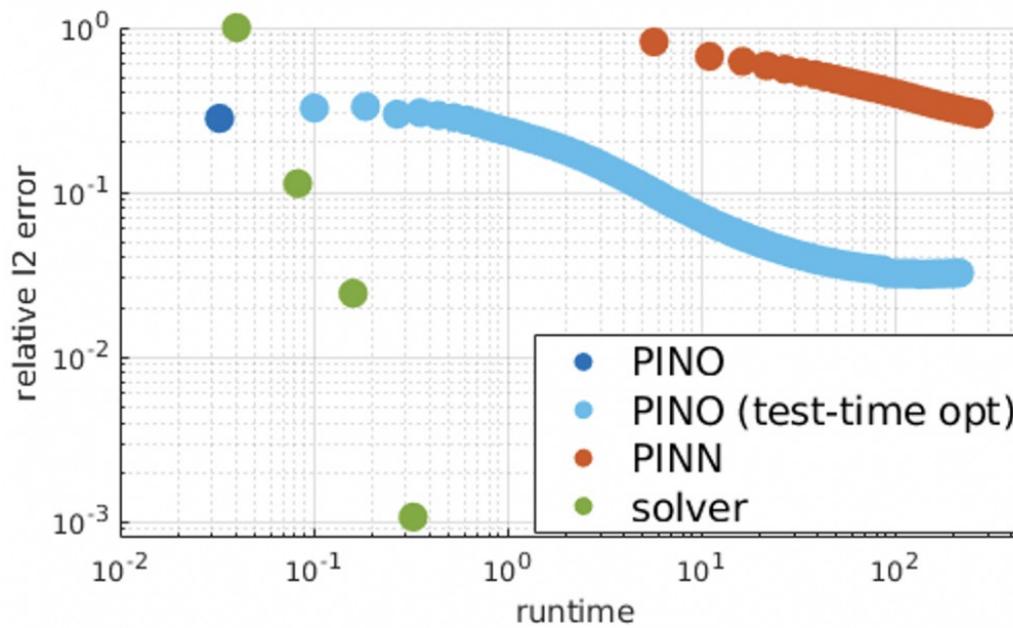
- PINO gets 2% error on Re500 [ $2\pi \times 2\pi \times 1s$ ]
- Easily generalize from one Re to another



Relative error: PINO: 0.9%, PINN: 18.7%

# Physics-informed neural operator

- Pretrain improves both the convergence speed and final error.
- More robust to hyperparameters

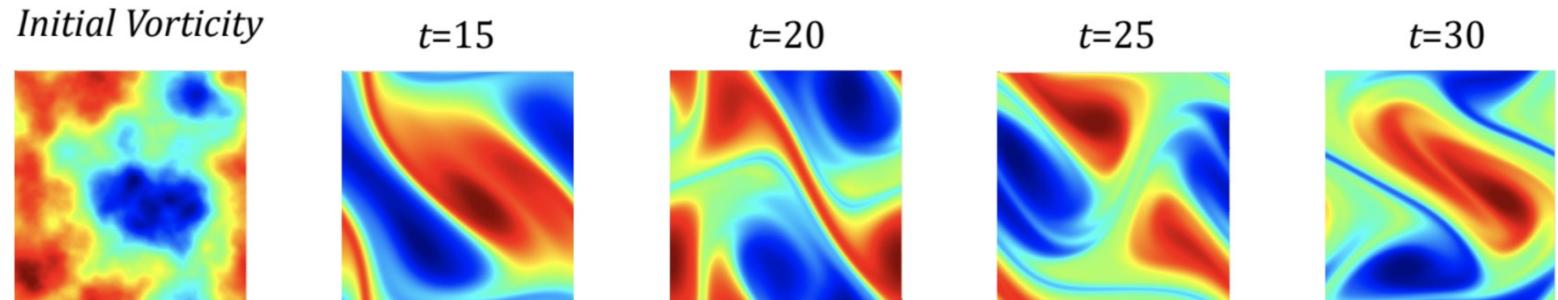


PINN: Raissi, Maziar; Perdikaris, Paris; Karniadakis, George Em

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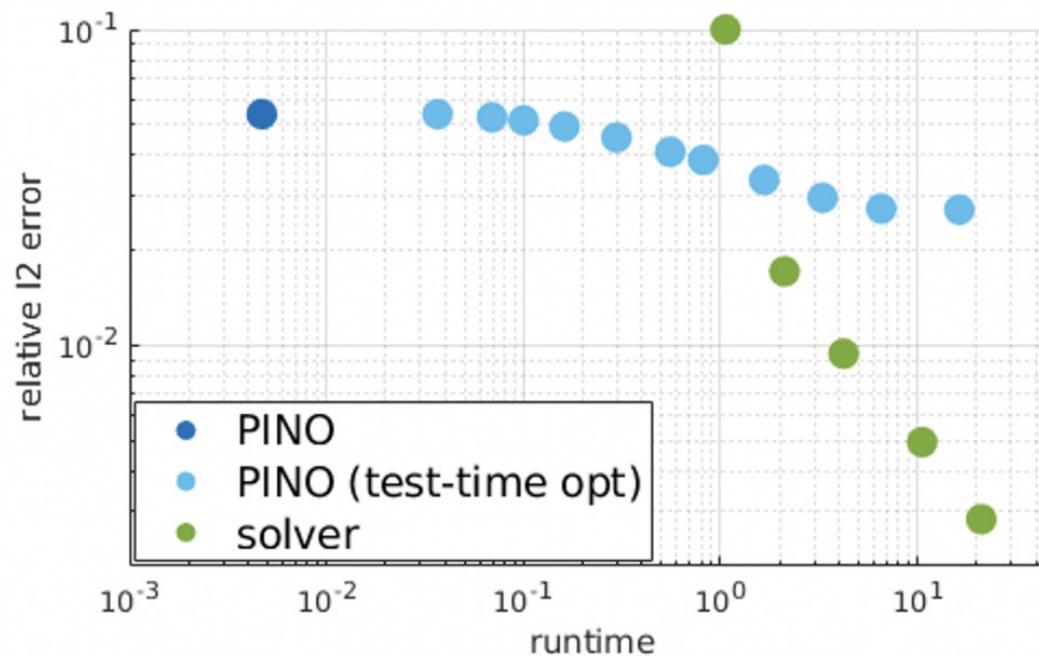
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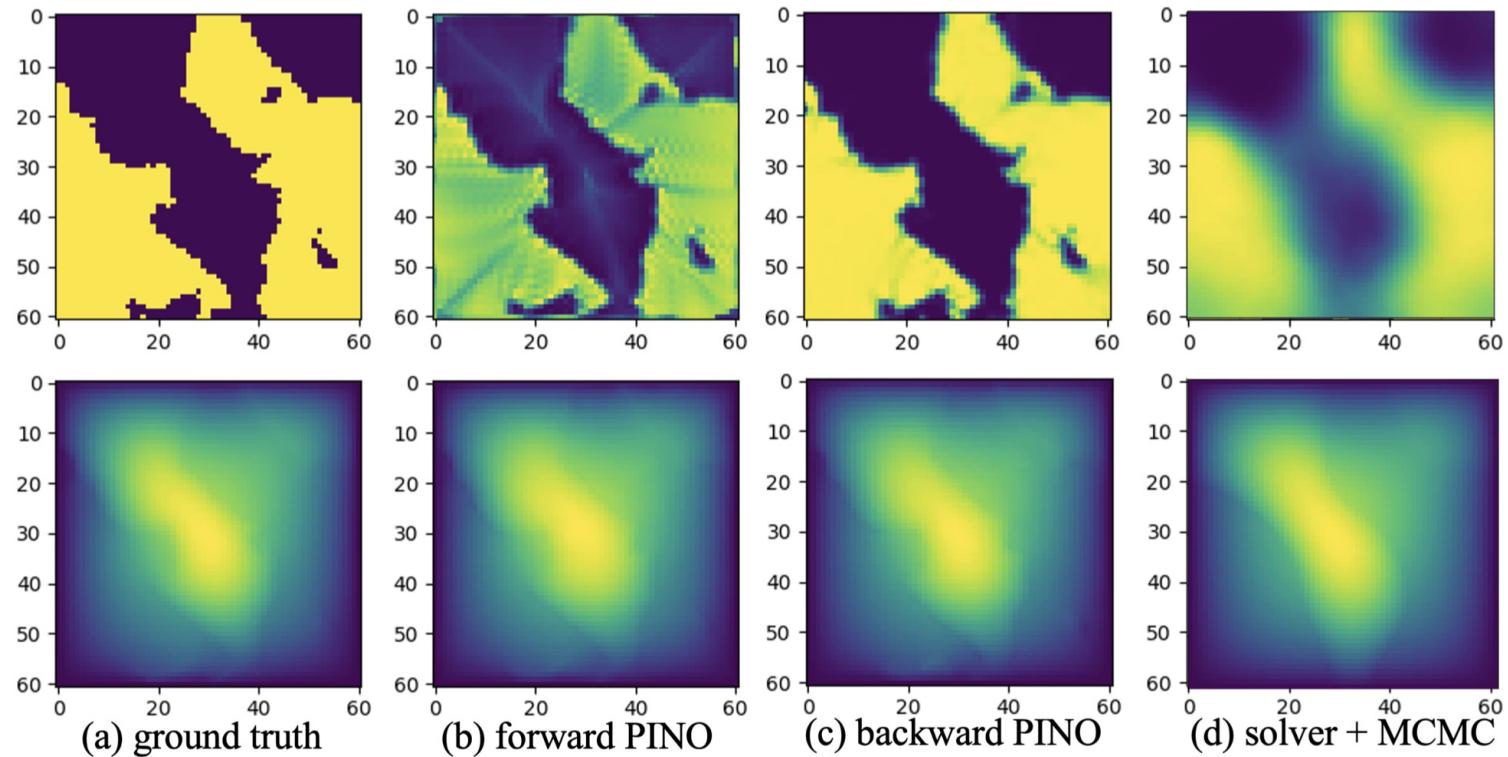
If data is available: PINO can solve very challenging scenarios such as long-temporal transient flow  $T=50$ , which is intractable to PINNs.



# Physics-informed neural operator

Long-temporal transient flow: preserve the 400x speedup compared to the pseudo-spectral solver.

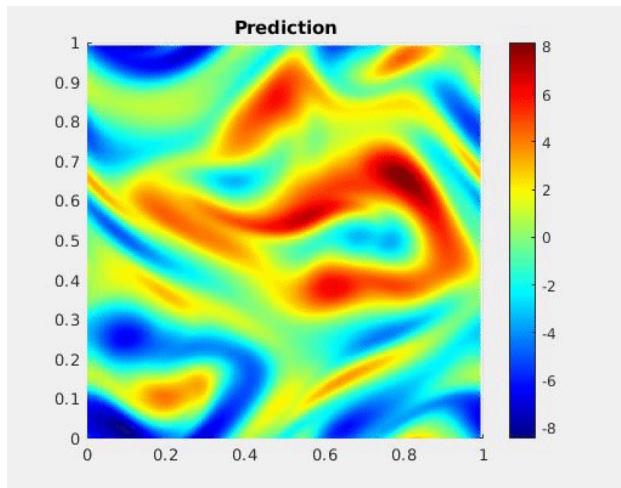




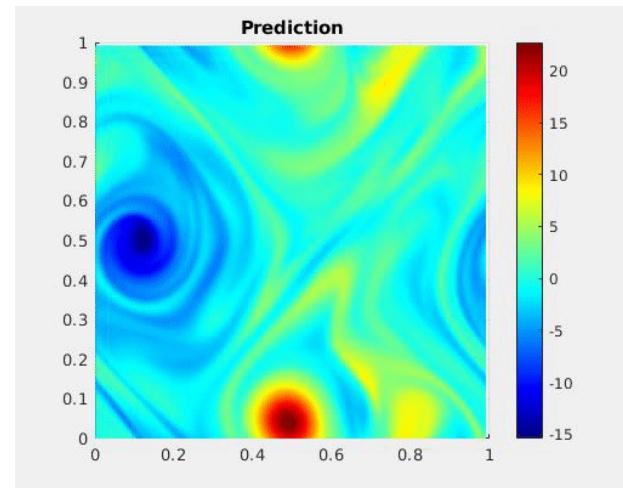
Backward PINO accurately solves inverse problem. 3000x speedup

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# Transfer Learning



Re100



Re500

Pre-train on Re100, fine-tune on Re500. Converge 3x faster.

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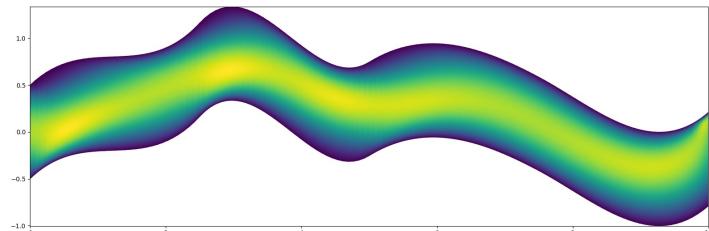
# Geometric-FNO

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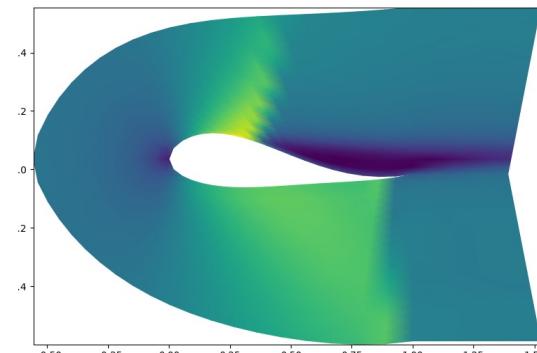
## Geometric FNO

Previous FNO implementation relies on FFT. It can be only applied to rectangular domains with a uniform grid. We want to extend FNO to different geometries.

Further, we want to learn solution operators mapping from the shapes to the solution, and solve the inverse design problems.



Pipe



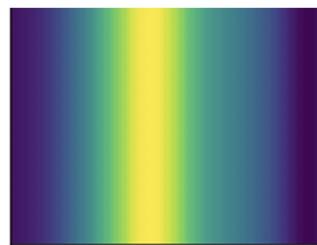
Airfoils

## Geometric FNO

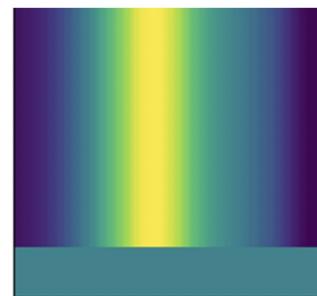
- Any boundary -> embed (Fourier continuation)
- Any mesh -> learned interpolation /DFT
- Any shape -> deform (adaptive/moving mesh)
- Any topology -> decompose (pants/handler decomposition)

# boundary

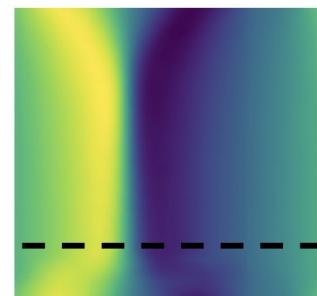
For non-periodic boundary, we can embed the domain into a larger domain with periodic condition



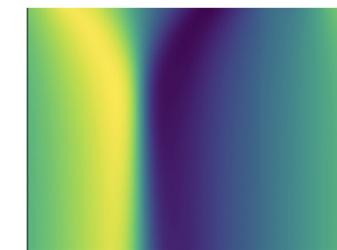
(a) Input



(b) padded input

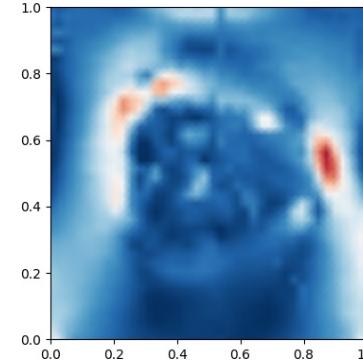
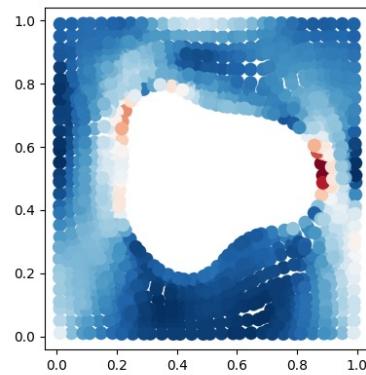


(c) padded output



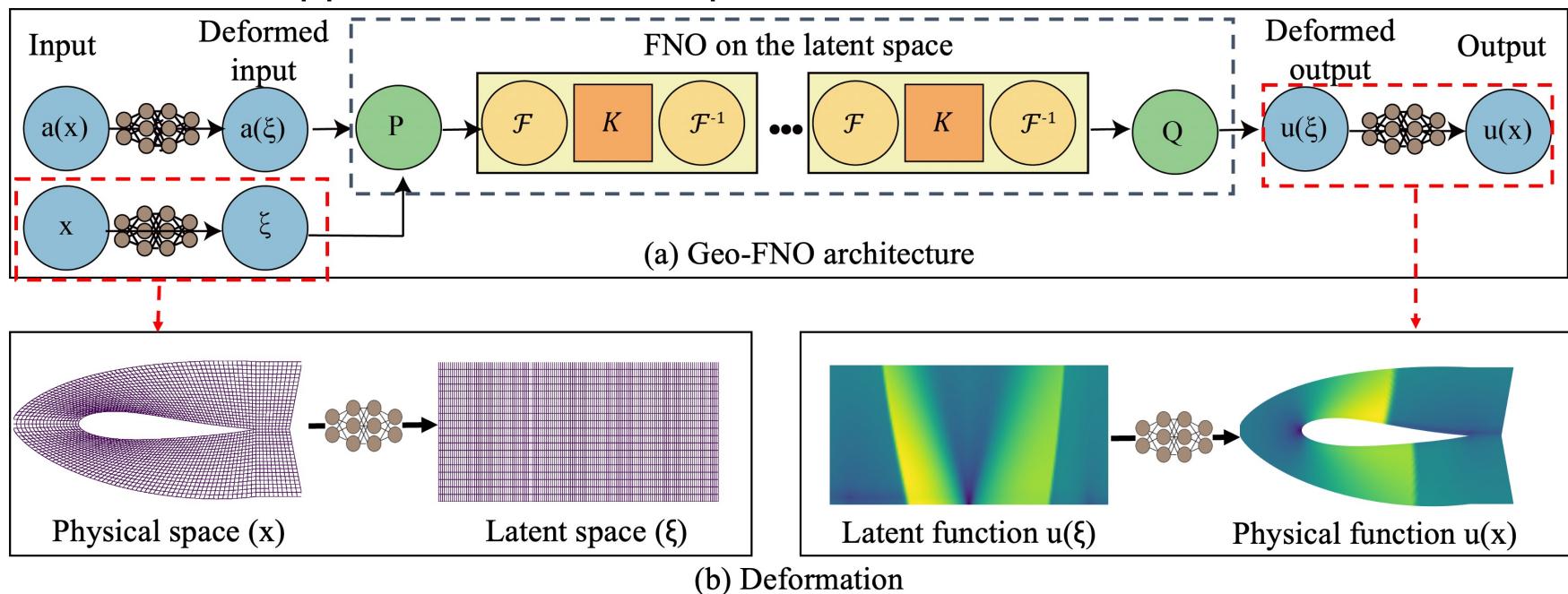
(d) target output

Similar, for any obstacles and holes, we can fill in zeros.

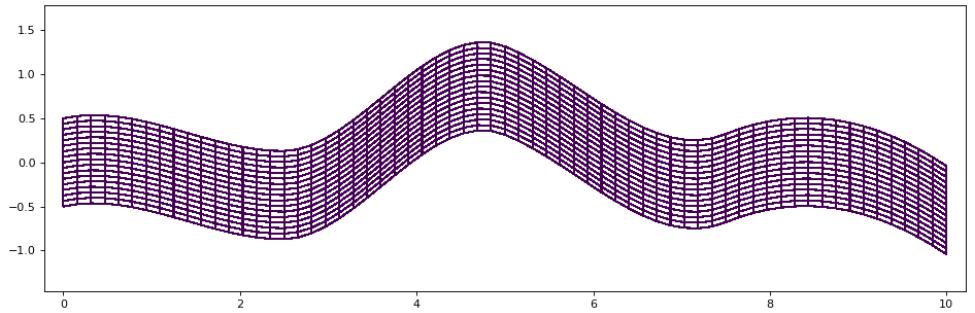
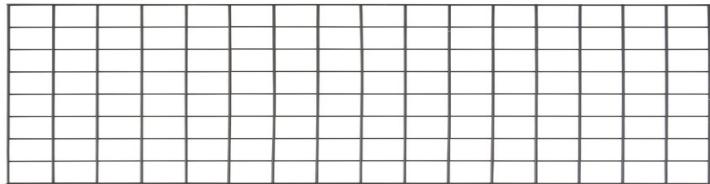


# Geo-FNO

Idea: deform the irregular physical space to a uniform latent space, so the FFT can be applied in the latent space.

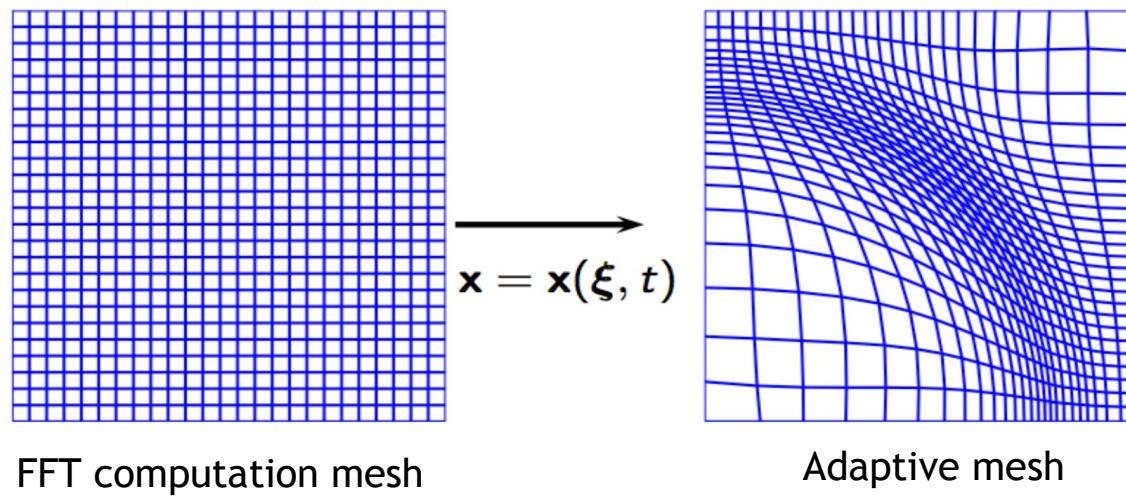


# Shape



Given any input domain, we want to find a deformation (diffeomorphism)  
To convert the domain into a regular one.

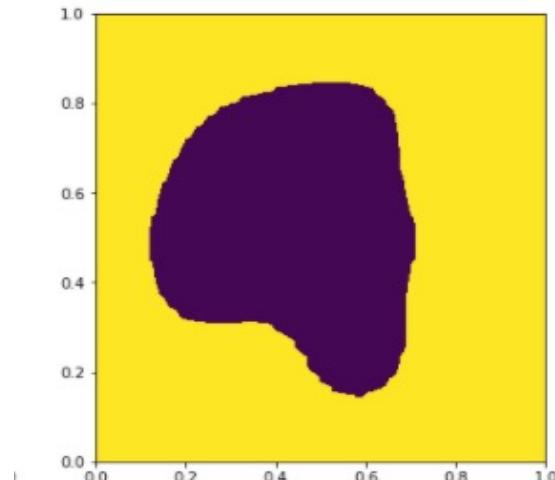
## Adaptive meshes



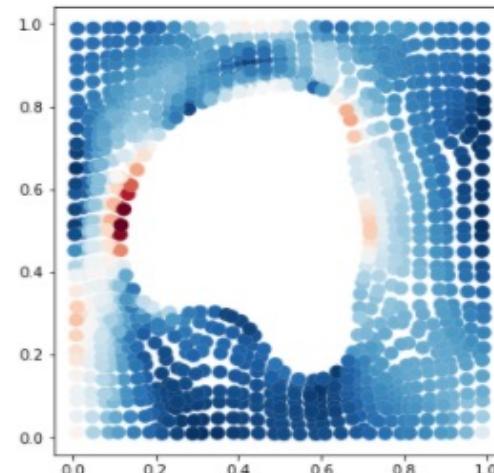
Such deformation can be also used to construct adaptive meshes for multiscale structures

## Examples: elastic equation

A constant forcing is applied from the left. Given the shape, we want to predict the stress.  
Unstructured mesh + irregular shape.



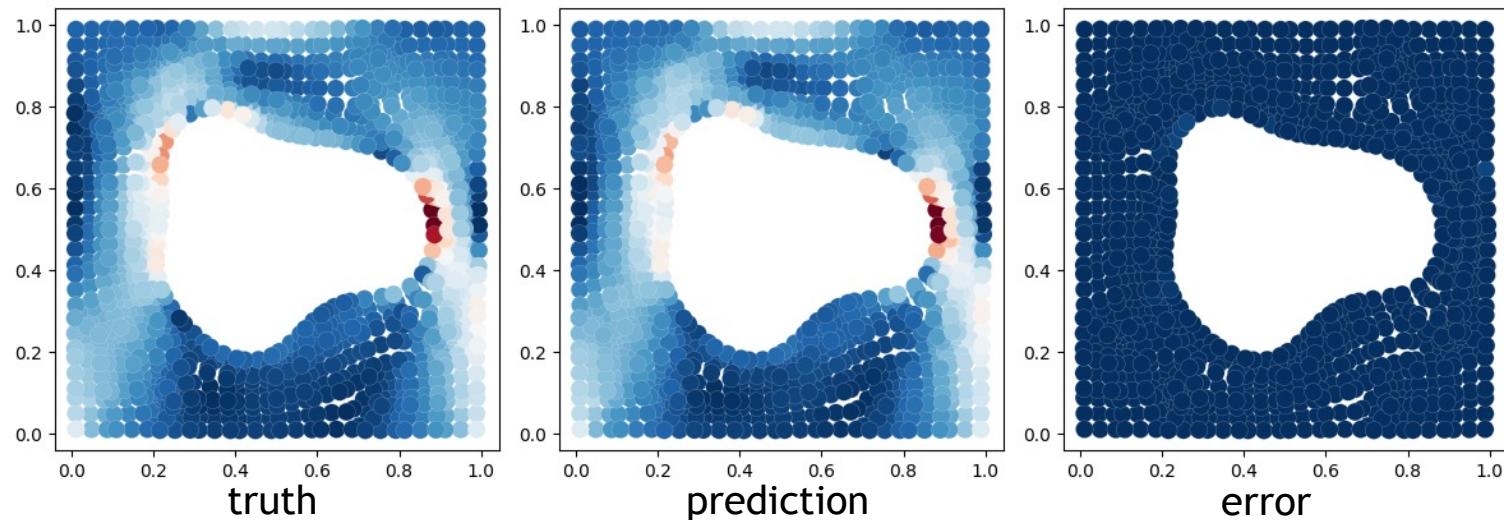
Input: shape



Output: stress

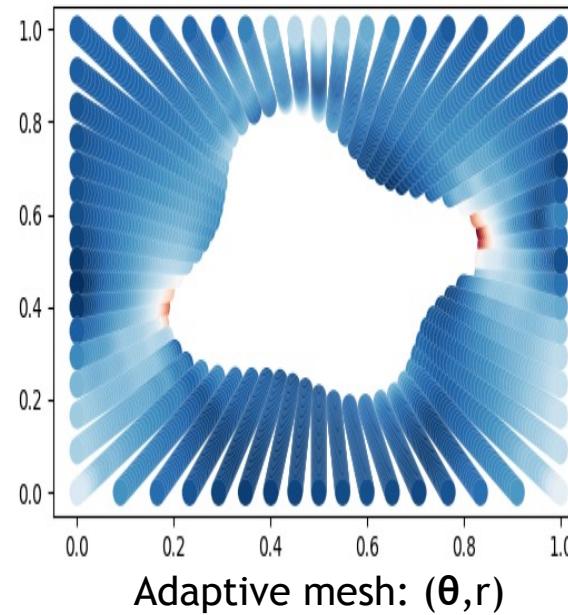
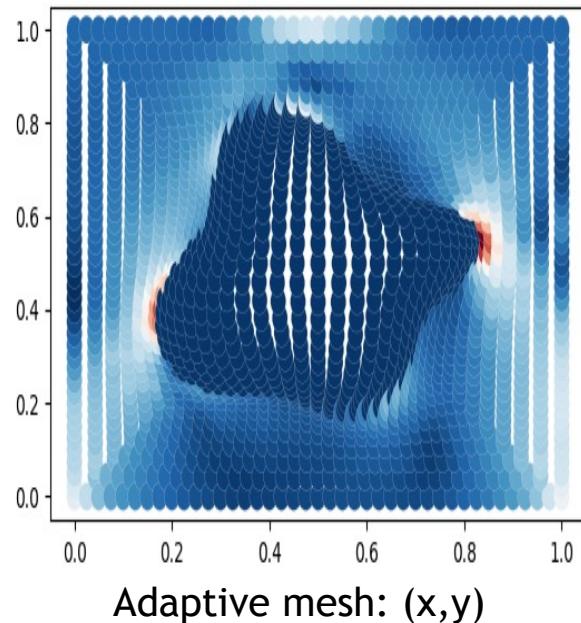
## Examples: elastic equation

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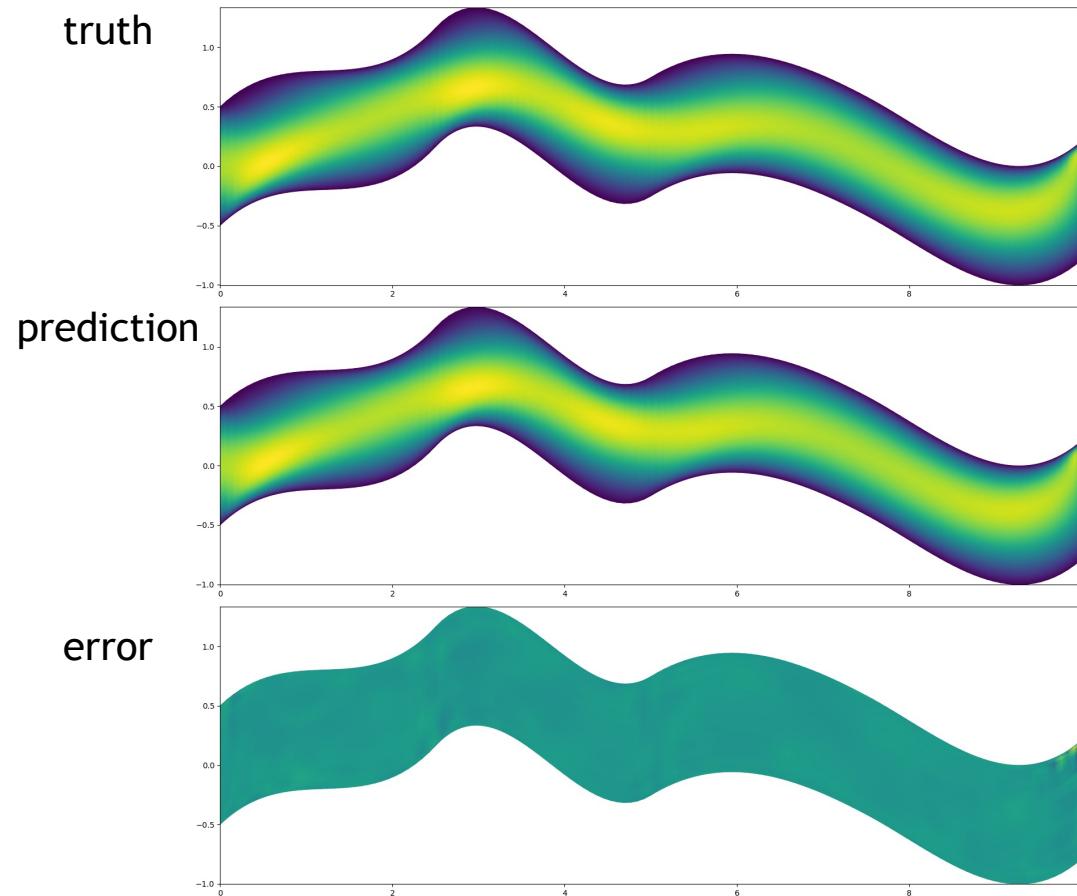
## Examples: elastic equation

Using adaptive meshes further improves the performance.



|            | Train<br>Raw | Test<br>Raw | Test<br>DFT |
|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Uniform    | 7%           | 10%         | 11%         |
| X-Y deform | 9%           | 10%         | 9%          |
| Theta-R    | 6%           | 6%          | ~6%         |

## Examples: Channel flow (pipe)

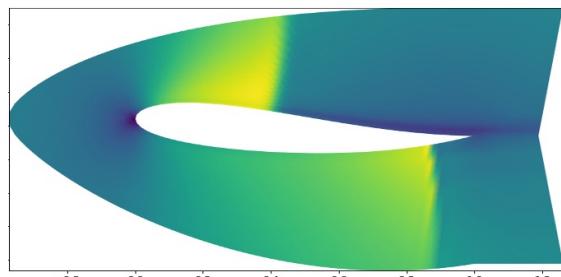


Error = 0.5%

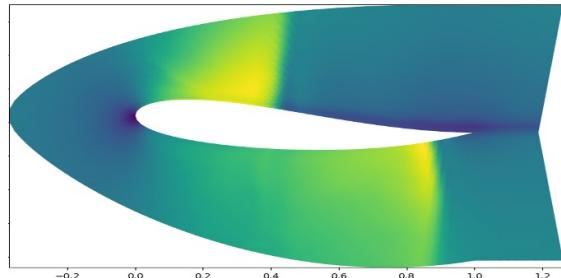
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# Examples: Airfoils

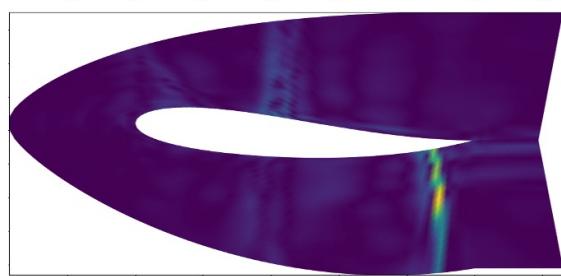
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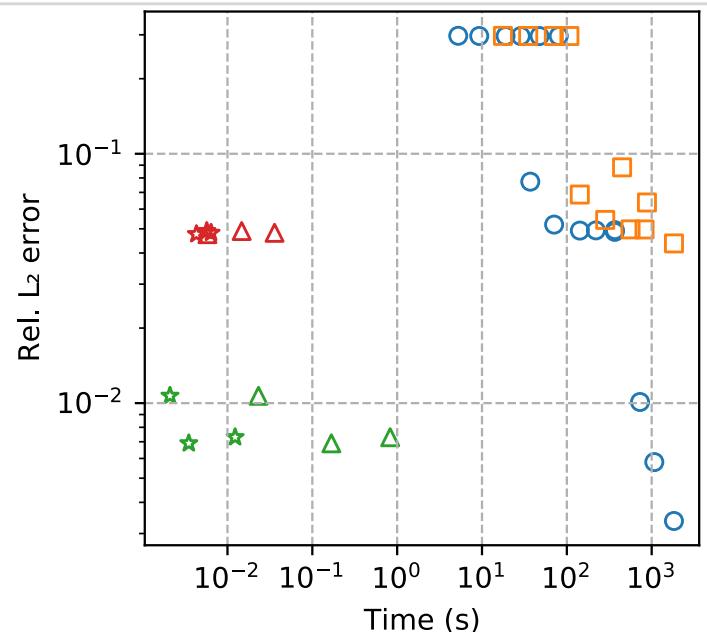
prediction



error



- |   |                       |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| ○ | Implicit scheme (CPU) | □ | Explicit scheme (CPU) |
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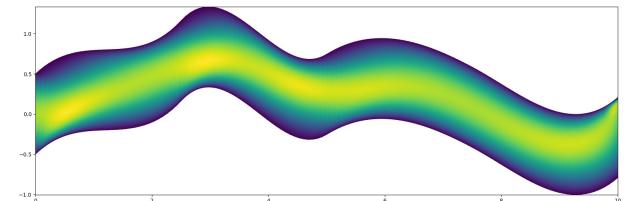
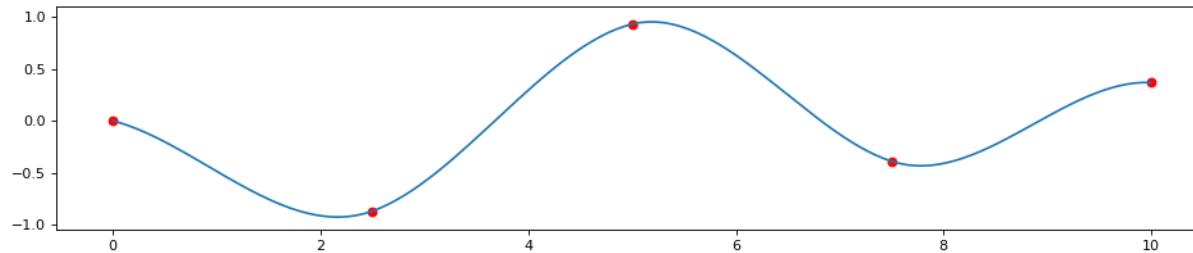


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Error = 1.3%  
 $10^5$  speedup

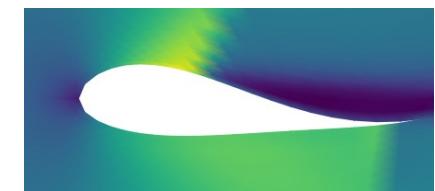
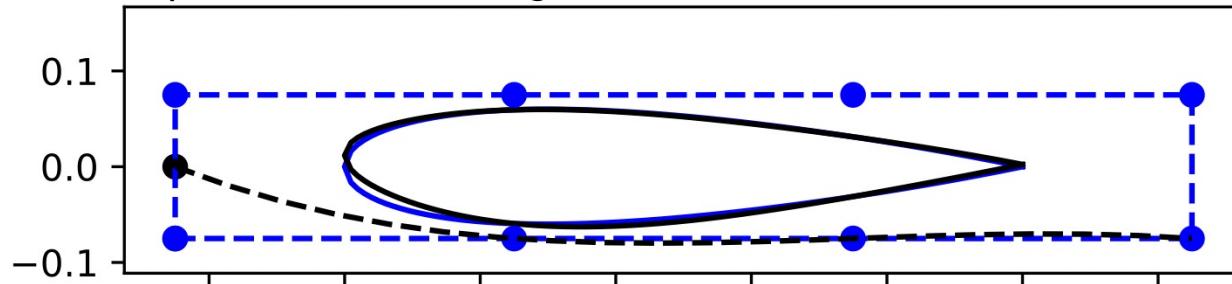
## Examples: inverse design

Optimize the spline nodes to achieve the design objectives.

Pipe: optimize the upper (and lower) boundary



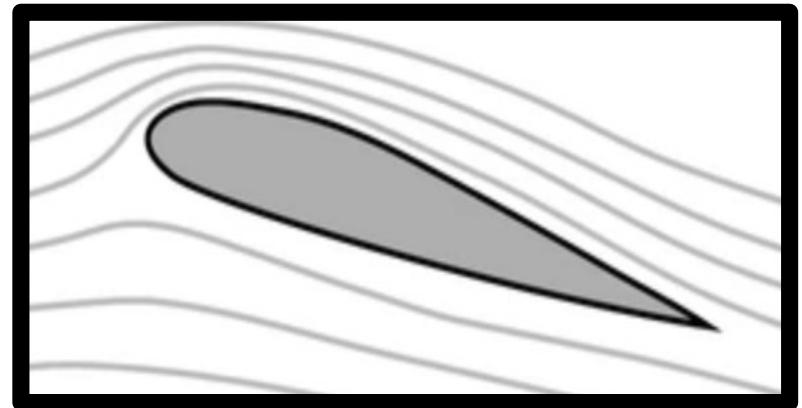
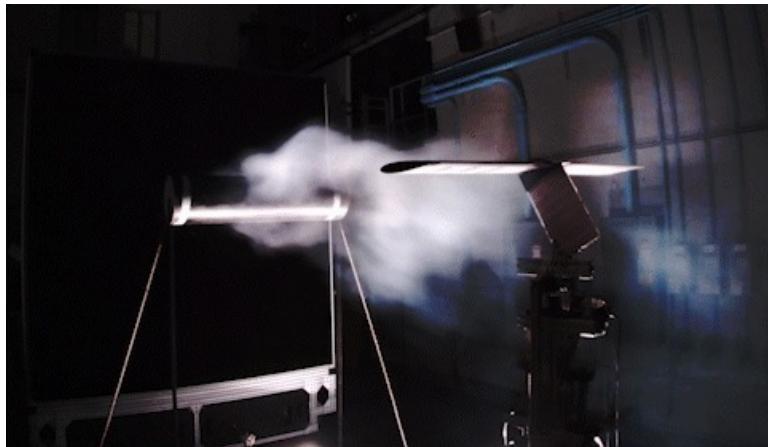
Airfoil: optimize the bounding box



# PDE-observer

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## MOTIVATING PROBLEM IN ROBOTICS



Given sensors placed on the body of airfoil/drone (boundary),  
Can we estimate the velocity field (interior) for more accurate control?

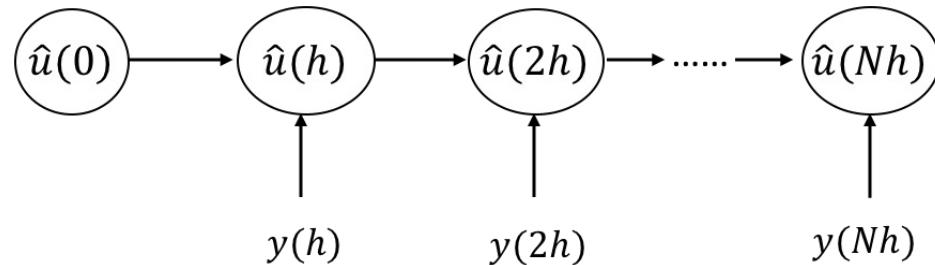
## STATE ESTIMATION THROUGH PDE OBSERVER

- Given the partial observation, estimate the state.
- PDE for state estimation: Back-stepping PDE observer.
- The estimate converges to the truth (exponentially)
- Slow and not real-time.

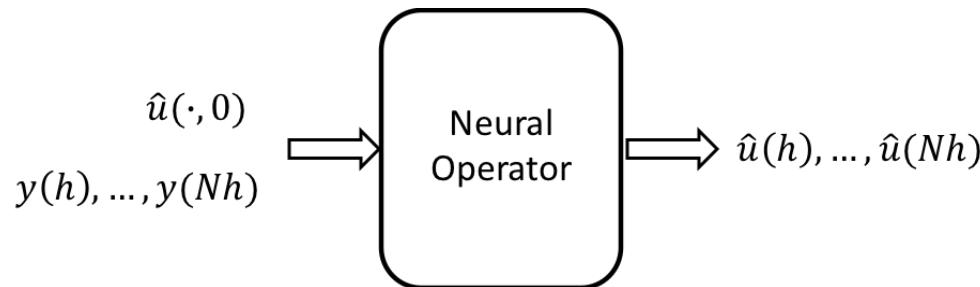


## Neural observer with FNO

Recurrent observer: make the estimation at each step recursively



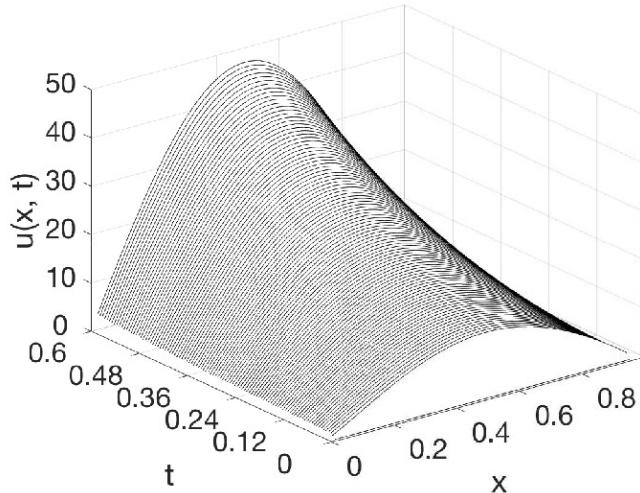
Feedforward observer: make the estimate over a time interval each step.



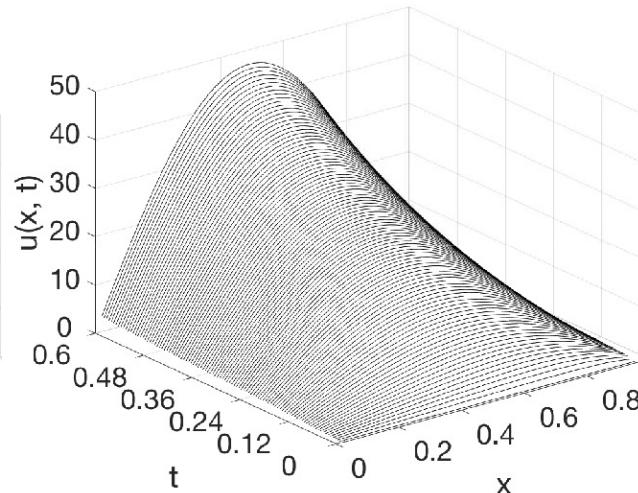
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# REACTION-DIFFUSION PDE PRESCRIBED-TIME OBSERVER

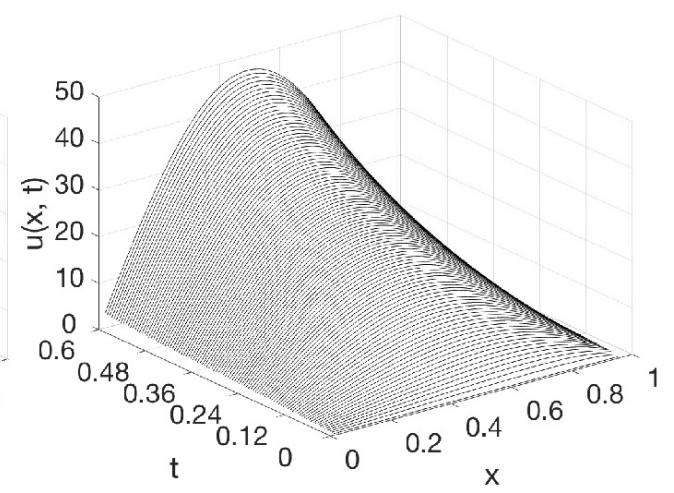
Chemical tubular reactor system:  
Learn a time-dependent, fast-converging observer.



True system

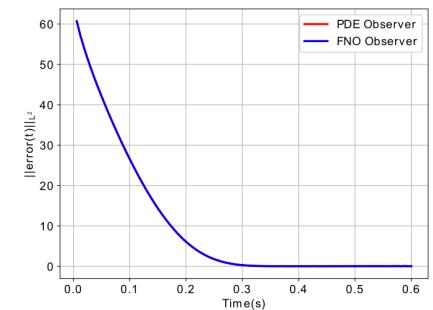


Conventional PT Observer



FNO Neural Observer

2000x Speed up



Same convergence rate

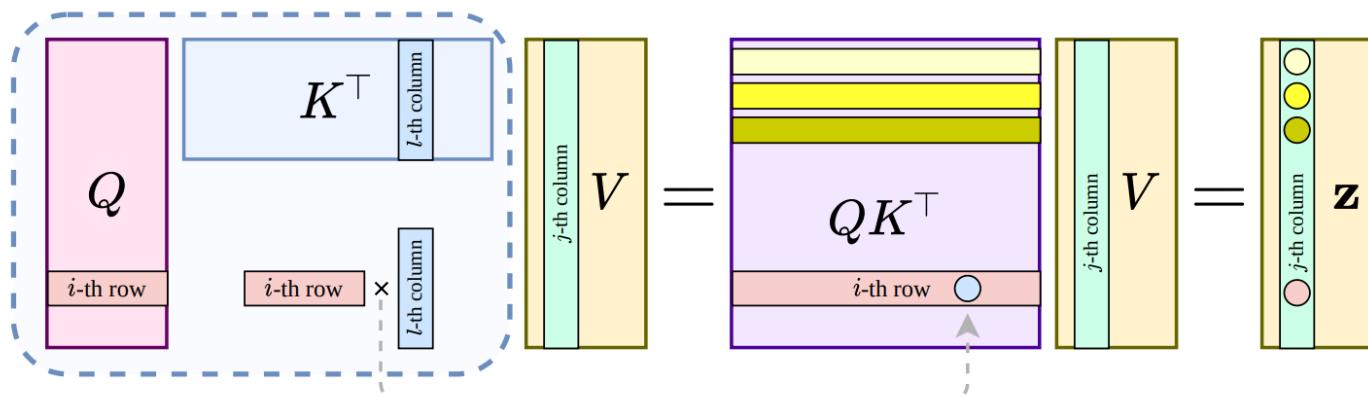
# FNO-transformer

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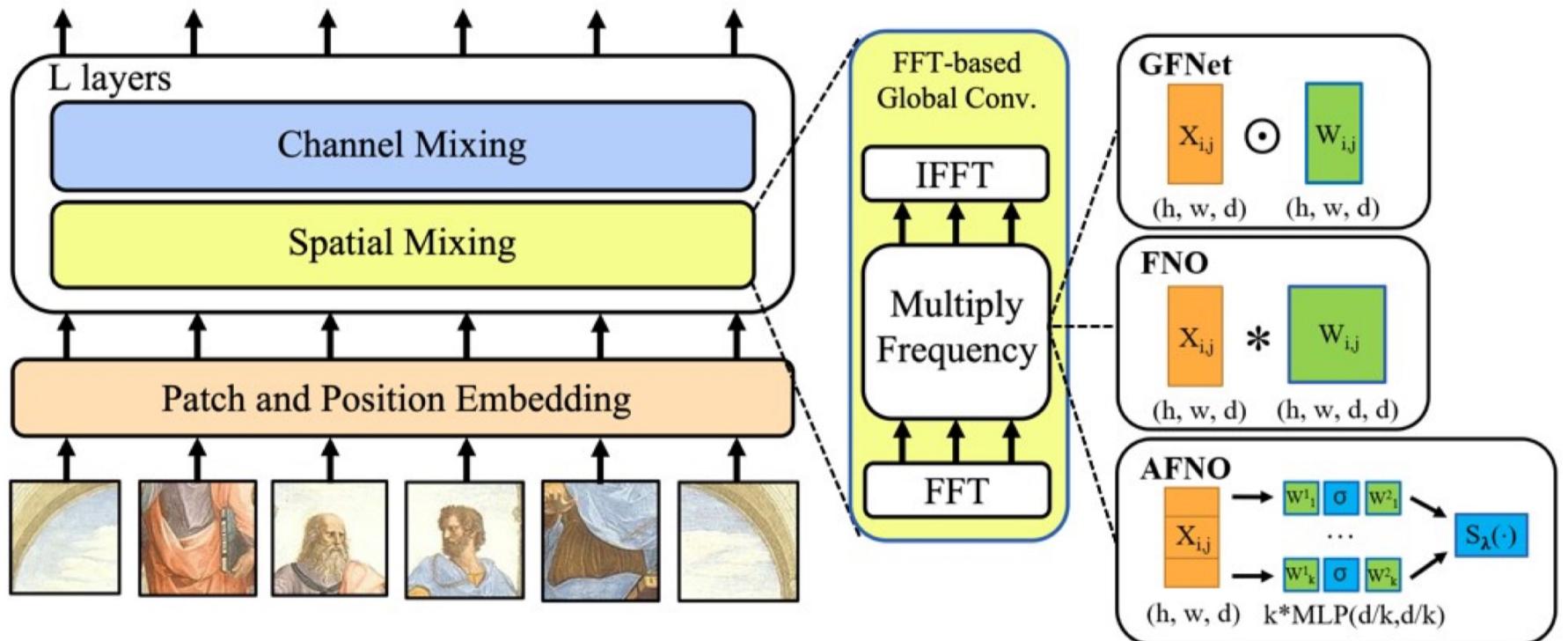
# Fourier-based Transformer

Neural operator can be viewed as a continuous generalization of Transformers

- Attention mechanism is a kernel-integration.
- Query-key can be viewed a a low-rank decomposition of the kernel.
- Replace the kernel by Fourier transform.



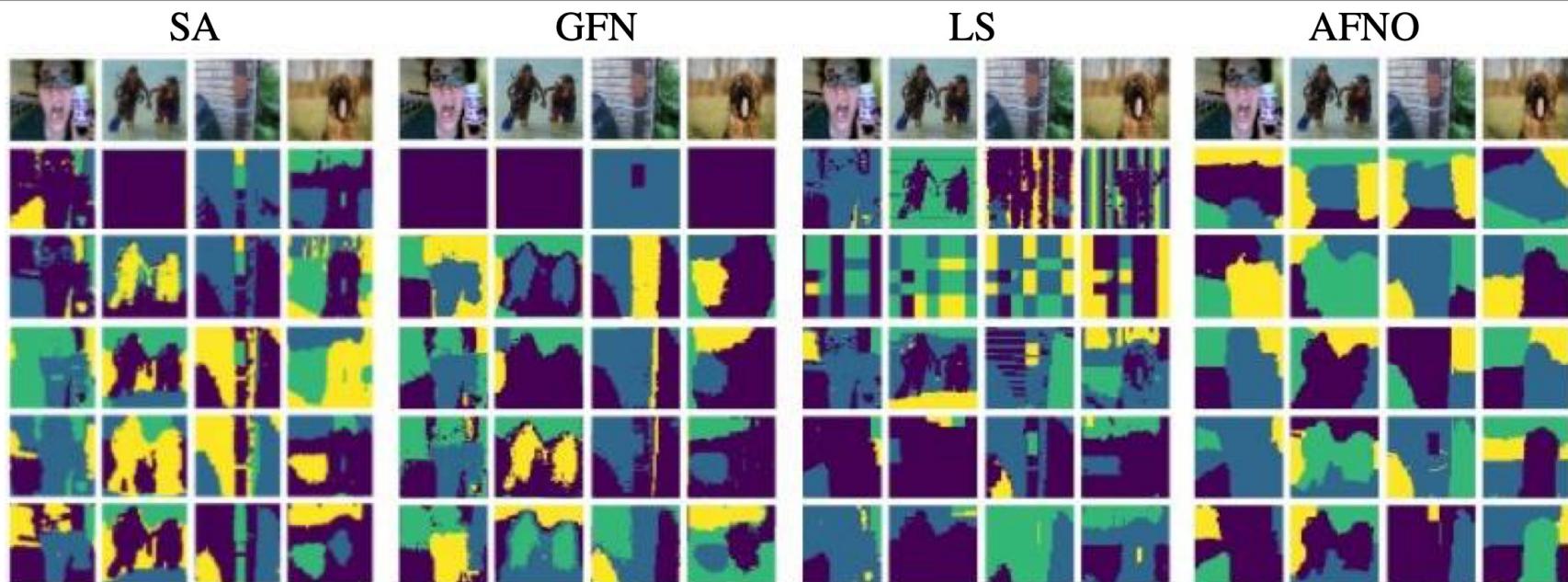
# Fourier-based Transformers



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Rao et. al. GFNet: Global Filter Networks for Image Classification

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| Backbone | Mixer          | Params | GFLOPs | Latency(sec) | SSIM         | PSNR(dB)     |
|----------|----------------|--------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ViT-B/4  | Self-Attention | 87M    | 357.2  | 1.2          | <b>0.931</b> | <b>27.06</b> |
| ViT-B/4  | LS             | 87M    | 274.2  | 1.4          | 0.920        | 26.18        |
| ViT-B/4  | GFN            | 87M    | 177.8  | 0.7          | 0.928        | 26.76        |
| ViT-B/4  | AFNO (ours)    | 87M    | 257.2  | 0.8          | <b>0.931</b> | 27.05        |



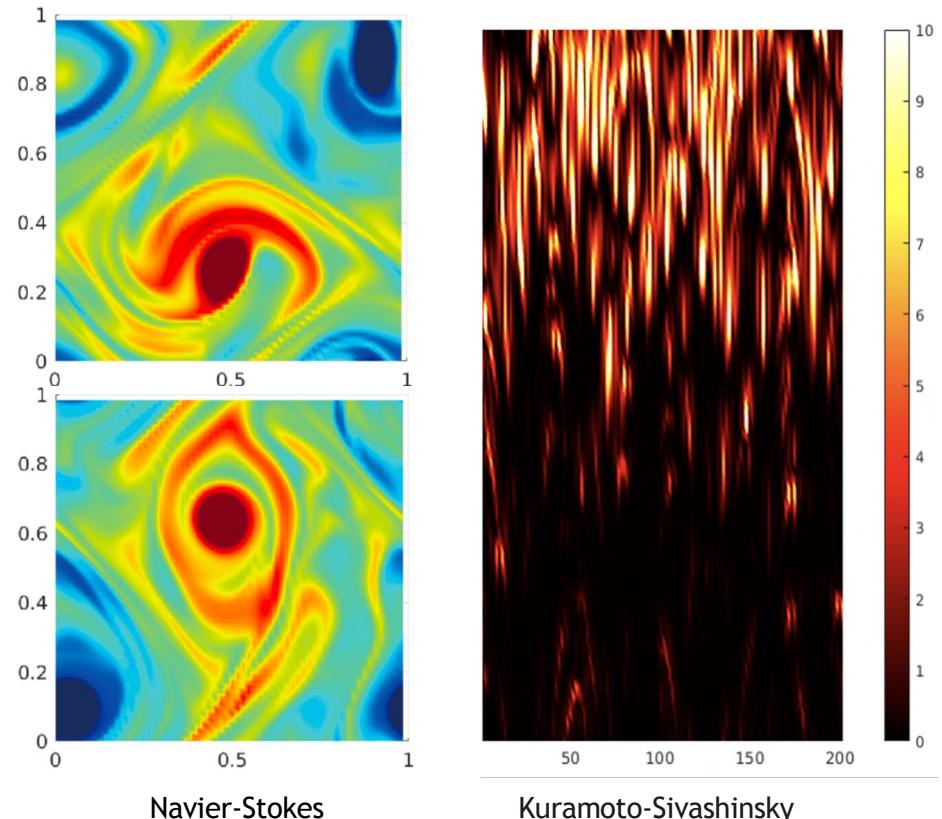
# Chaotic system

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## Chaotic system

Chaotic systems are intrinsically unstable. Smaller errors will accumulate and make the simulation diverge from the truth.

Can we predict long-time trajectories that, while eventually diverging from the truth, still preserve the same orbit (**attractor**) of the system and its **statistical properties**?



## Semigroup and Markov neural operator

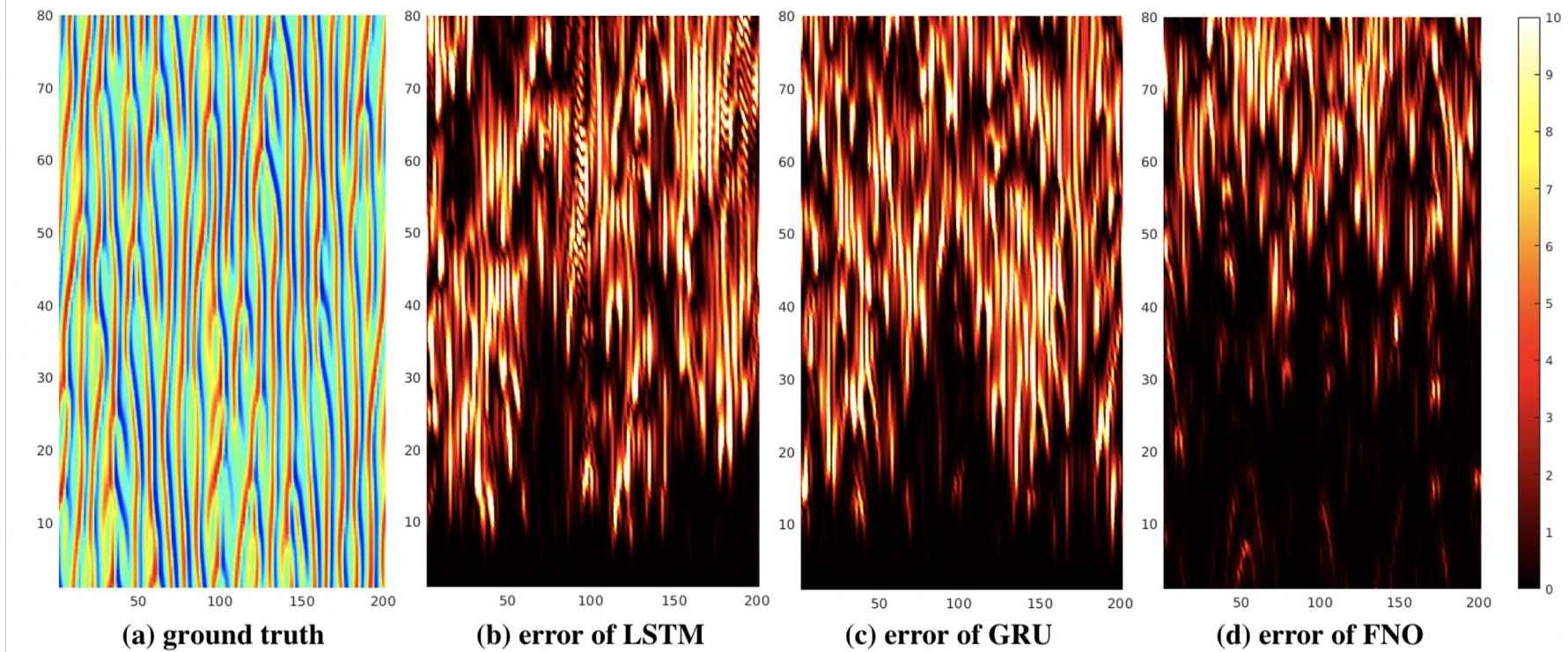
Use Markov neural operator to model the local evolution.

$$u(t) = S_t u(0)$$

Compose the operator as a semigroup

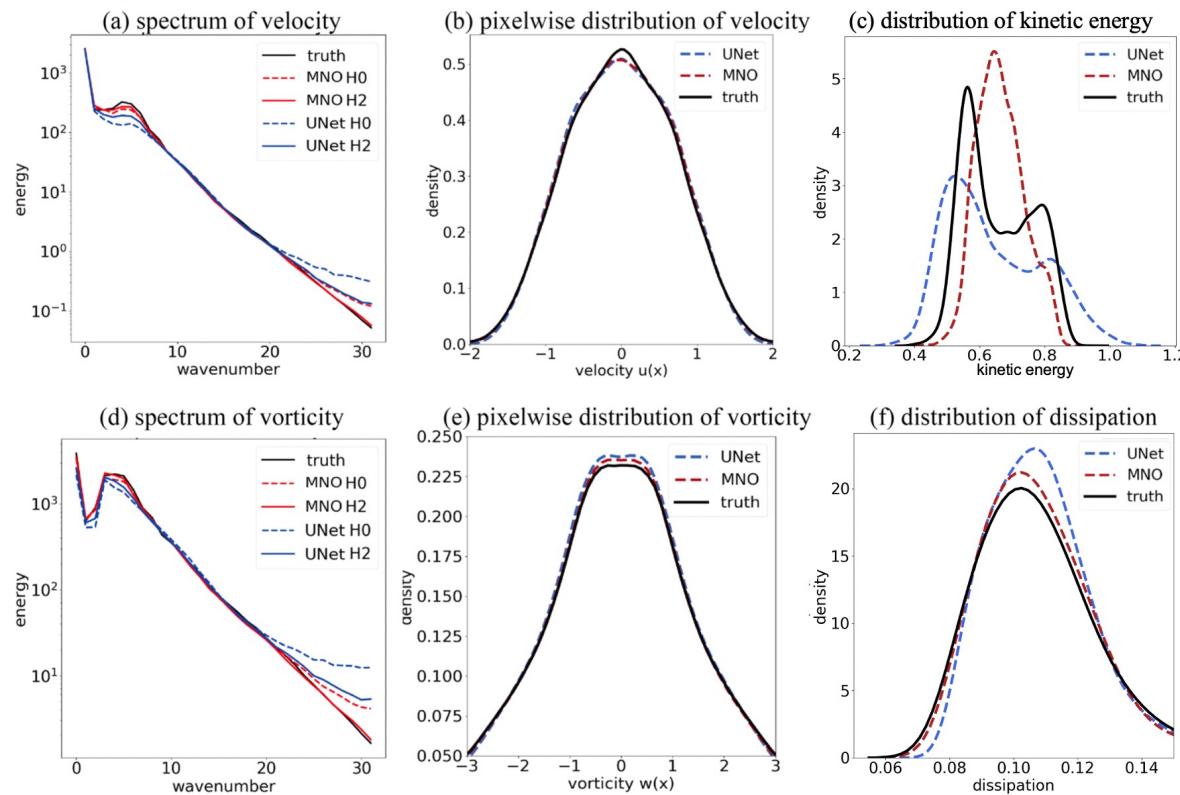
$$u(n \cdot h) \approx \hat{S}_h^n(u_0) := \underbrace{(\hat{S}_h \circ \cdots \circ \hat{S}_h)}_{n \text{ times}}(u_0)$$

## KS equation

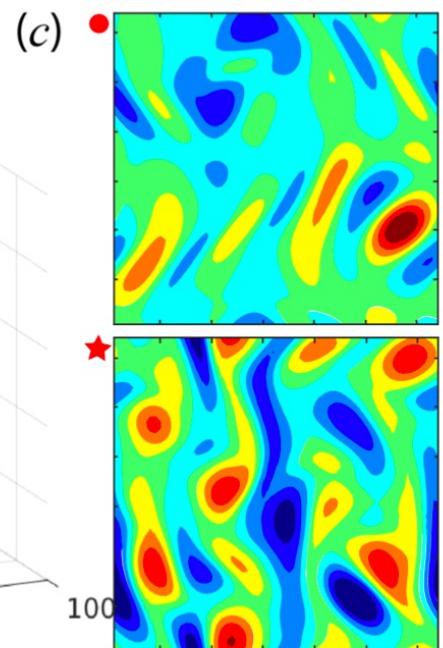
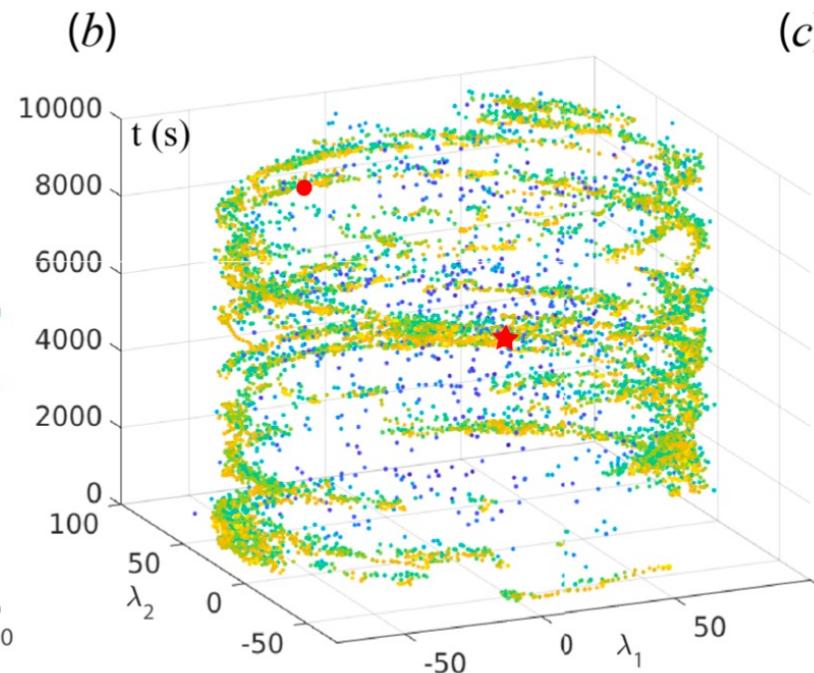
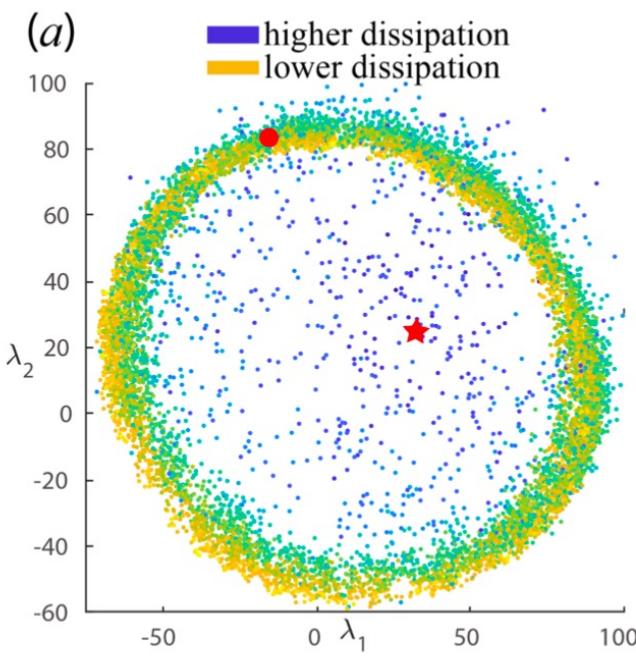


FNO captures the trajectory of chaotic systems for a longer period compared to RNNs.

# Markov neural operator captures the invariant statistics



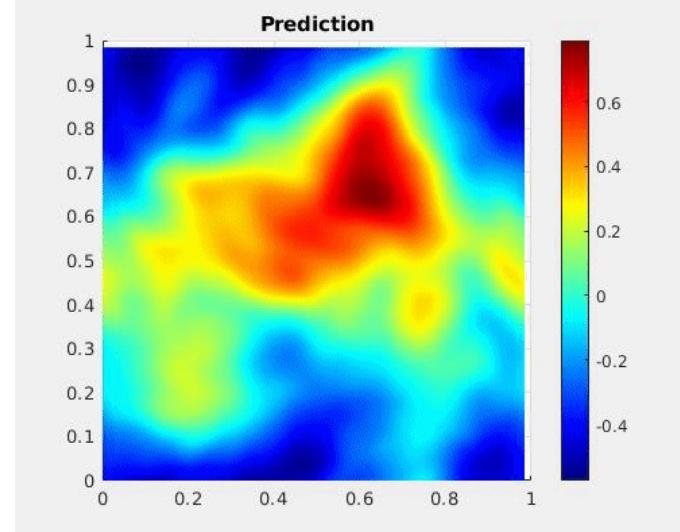
# Markov neural operator simulates the global attractor



# Enforcing dissipativity: Motivations

Many chaotic systems have the **dissipative** property, which pushes the dynamics back to the attractor.

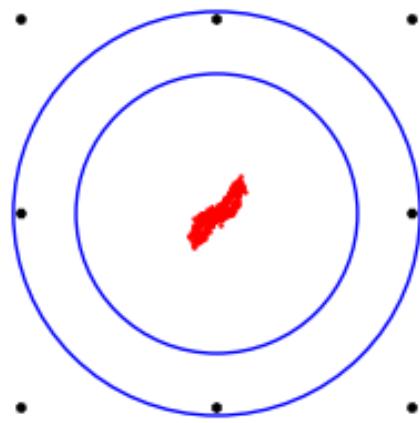
Without such dissipativity, the model is prone to blow up.



Accelerating flow

## Methods for Enforcing dissipativity

Enforce dissipativity by augmenting virtual data points around the raw data (equivalent to adding a loss term)

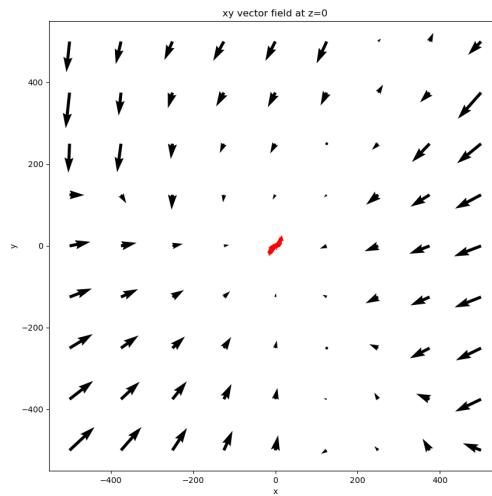


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{data}} + \frac{\alpha}{2} \int |\Phi(x, \theta) - \lambda x|^2 \nu(dx)$$

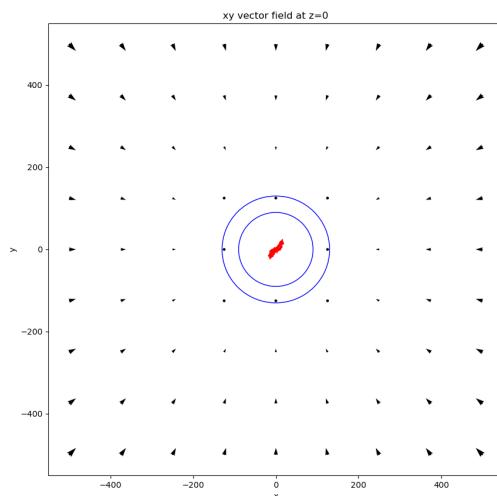
Red: the raw data (attractor)

Blue shell: the region to add data points.

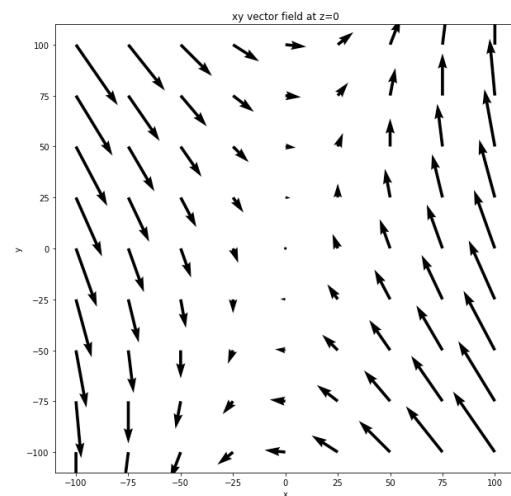
## Lorenz 63 learned flow maps



Before



After

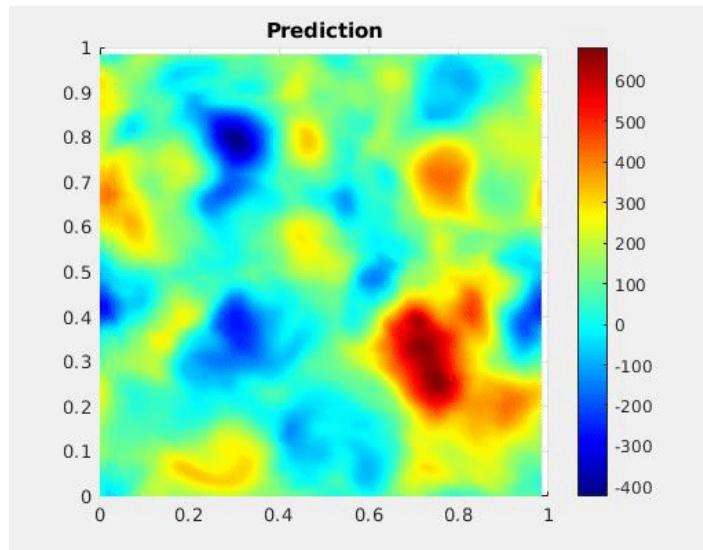


True system

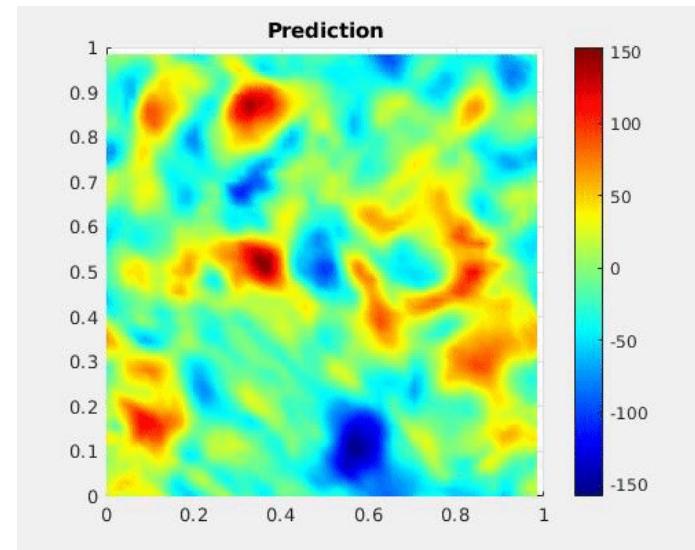
Red points are training points on attractor, blue circles represents shell where dissipativity is enforced.

## Kolmogorov flow with enforced dissipativity

Start with an initial condition outside the attractor



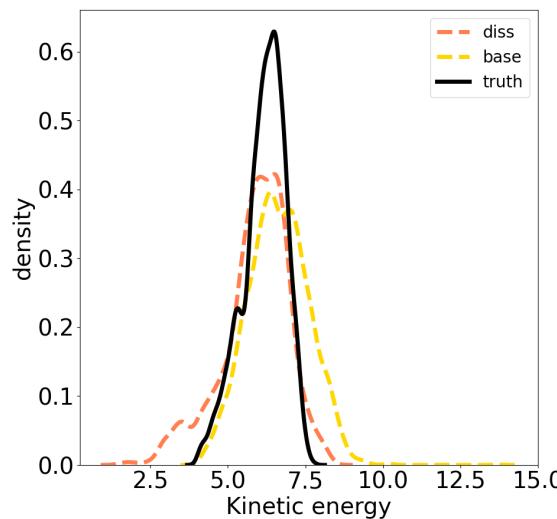
Before: quickly blowing-up ( $10^{16}$ )



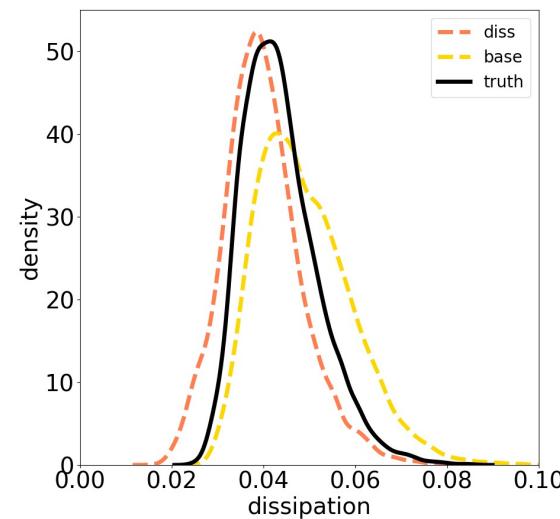
After: converge back to the attractor

## Kolmogorov flow with enforced dissipativity

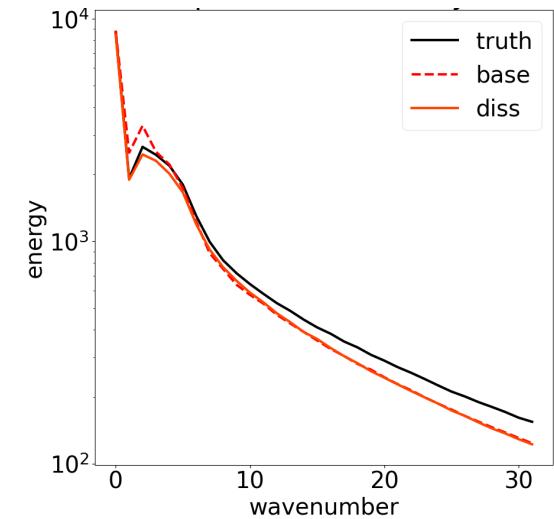
Distribution of kinetic energy



Distribution of dissipation



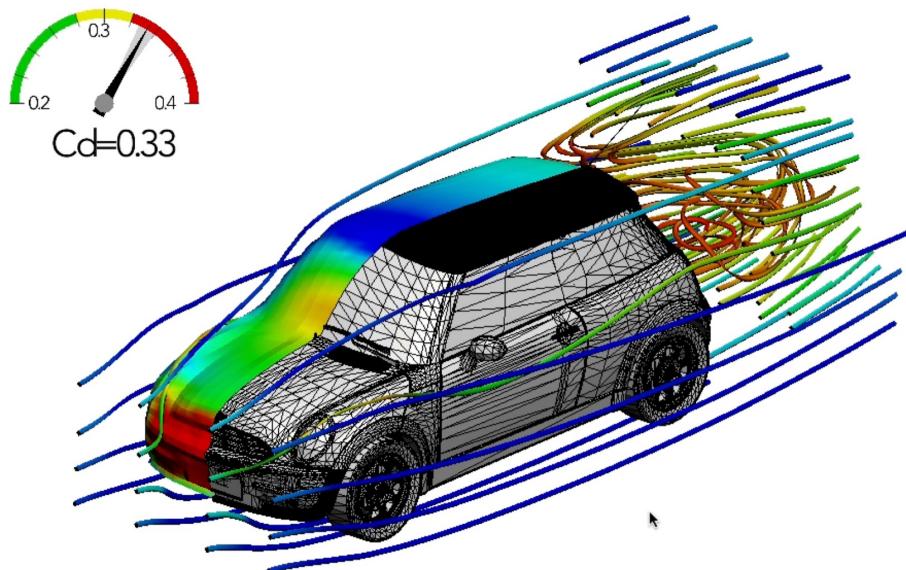
Spectrum of vorticity



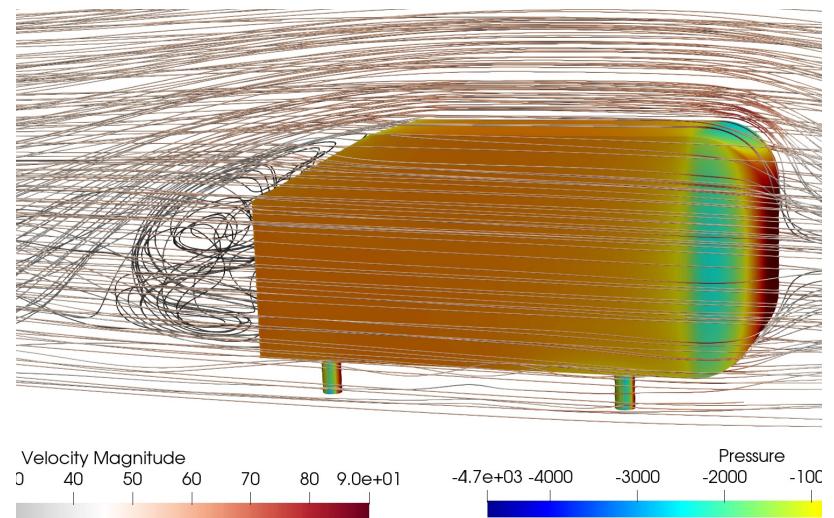
The distribution of dissipation is improved

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# 3D Aerodynamics simulations are expensive



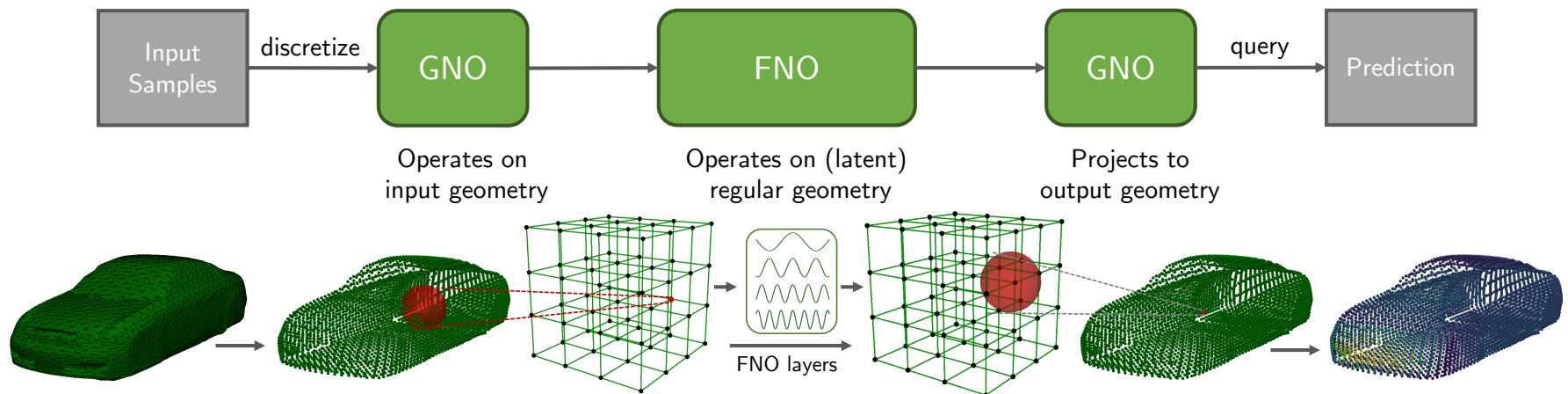
Car-CFD dataset takes 1hr on CPU  
10,000x speedup



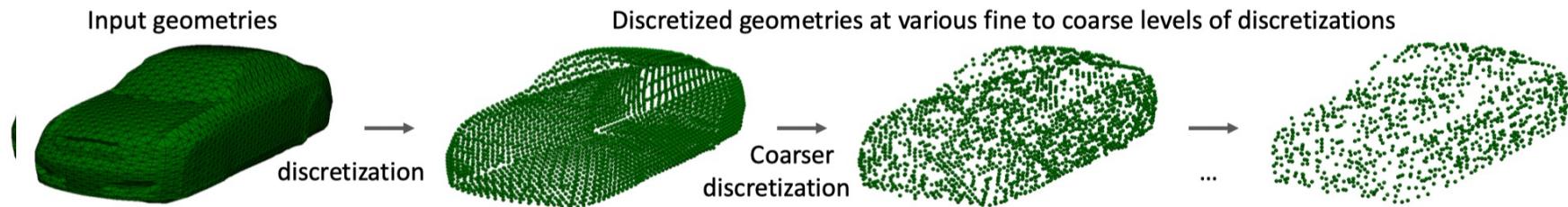
Ahmed-body dataset takes 10hr on 2 V100 GPUs  
30,000x speedup

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# Fourier + Graph

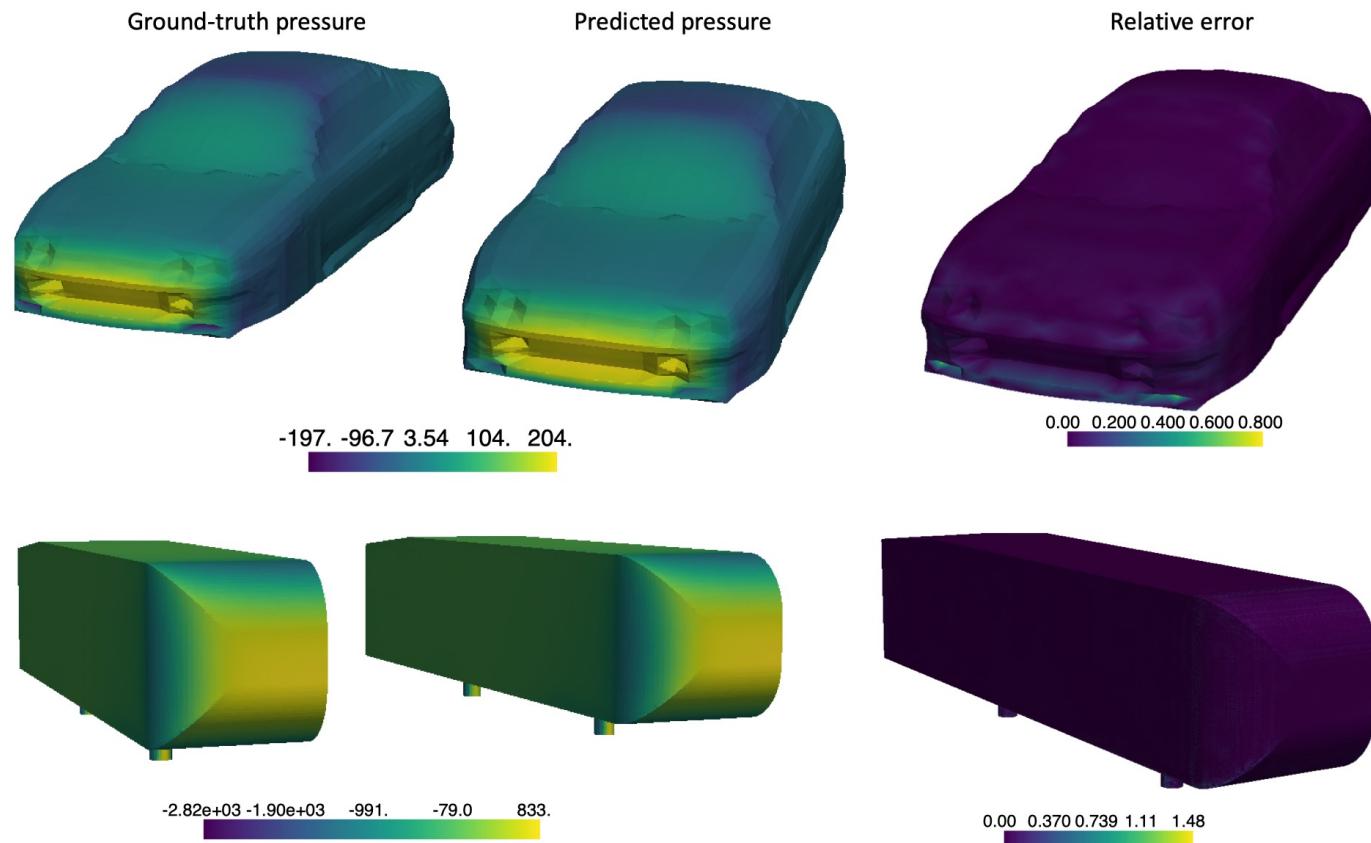


# Irregular grid + Discretization convergent



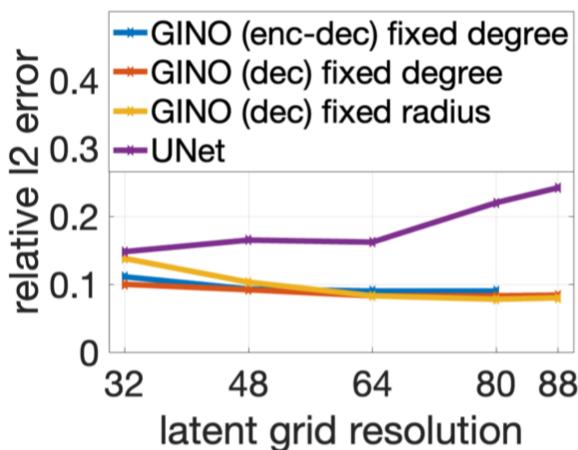
| Model         | Range      | Complexity                     | Irregular grid | Discretization invariant |
|---------------|------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| GNN           | local      | $O(N\text{degree})$            | ✓              | ✗                        |
| CNN           | local      | $O(N)$                         | ✗              | ✗                        |
| UNet          | global     | $O(N)$                         | ✗              | ✗                        |
| Transformer   | global     | $O(N^2)$                       | ✓              | ✓                        |
| GNO (kernel)  | radius $r$ | $O(N\text{degree})$            | ✓              | ✓                        |
| FNO (FFT)     | global     | $O(N \log N)$                  | ✗              | ✓                        |
| - GINO [Ours] | global     | $O(N \log N + N\text{degree})$ | ✓              | ✓                        |

# High accuracy

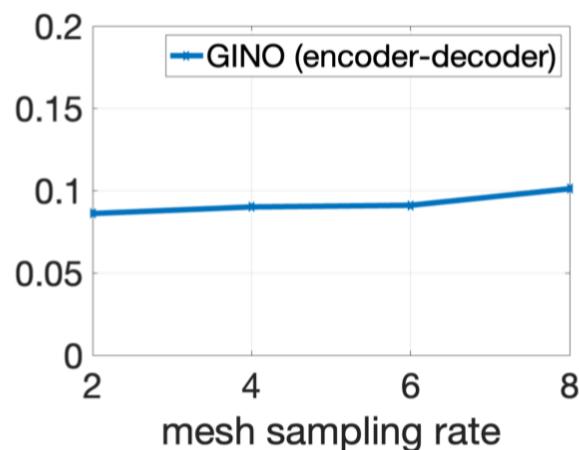


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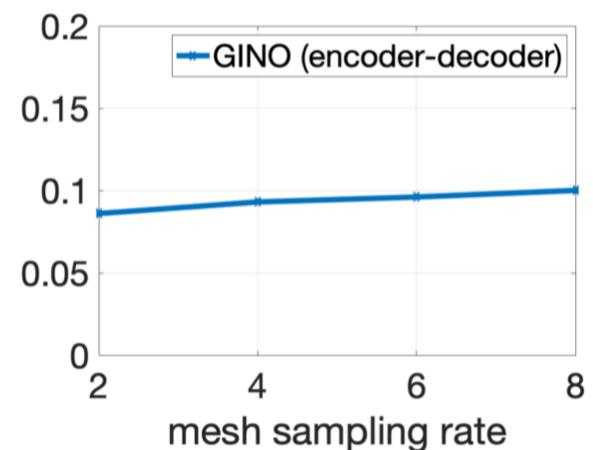
# Super resolution



(a) Varying resolutions of the latent grid (same resolution for training and testing).



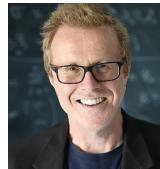
(b) Varying the sampling rates of the input-output mesh (same rate for training and testing).



(c) Train with a low sampling rate and test on full mesh (zero-shot super-resolution).



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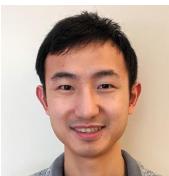
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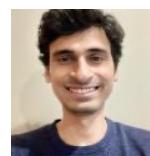
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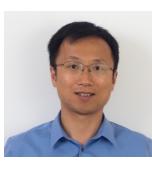
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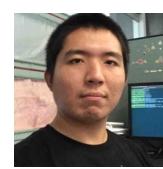
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