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Machine-Learning-Based Multi-scale Modeling for Complex Fluids

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Research

- Machine-learning-based multi-scale modeling
 - Non-Newtonian Flow
 - Molecular Kinetics
- Main challenge:
 - High dimensionality
 - Physical interpretation (e.g., structure preserving, micro to macro mapping)
 - Numerical stability

Outline

- Data-driven Learning of Generalized Langevin Equations with State-dependent Memory
- A variational-informed machine-learning model of non-Newtonian fluids

Generalized Langevin Equations (GLE)

- Full system: $\mathbf{z}_q, \mathbf{z}_p \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{full}}}$, reduced system: $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{reduced}}}$, $N_{\text{reduced}} \ll N_{\text{full}}$
- Following Zwanzig's projection formalism

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{q}} = M^{-1} \mathbf{p} \\ \dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) - \int_0^t \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{q}(\tau), t - \tau) \dot{\mathbf{q}}(\tau) d\tau + \mathcal{R}(t). \end{cases}$$

- Standard GLE: **Homogeneous** memory kernel. $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{q}(\tau), t - \tau) \approx \mathbf{K}(t - \tau)$.
- Not enough for accurately predicting the collective behaviors.

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GLE with State-dependent Memory

- The state-dependent GLE model

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p} \\ \dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) - \int_0^t \phi(\mathbf{q}_t) \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau d\tau + \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \mathbf{R}(t) \end{cases}$$

- **Main idea:** $\phi(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{reduced}} \times 1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times N_{\text{reduced}}}$ encodes n state-dependent features
- $\Theta(t) \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ encodes the non-Markovian effects
- $\mathbf{R}(t)$ is the thermal noise satisfied $\langle \mathbf{R}(t), \mathbf{R}(\tau) \rangle = k_B T \Theta(t - \tau)$
- $\Theta(t) = e^{-\alpha t} \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \tilde{\Theta}_k^S \cos(\omega_k t) - \tilde{\Theta}_k^A \sin(\omega_k t)$

Invariant Density Distribution

● **Proposition: Invariant distribution:** $\rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \propto \exp \left\{ - \left[U(\mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p} / 2 \right] / k_B T \right\}$

● **Proof:** Rewrite $\tilde{\Theta}_k^S = \Gamma_{k,1}^T \Gamma_{k,1} + \Gamma_{k,2}^T \Gamma_{k,2}$, $\tilde{\Theta}_k^A = \Gamma_{k,1}^T \Gamma_{k,2} - \Gamma_{k,2}^T \Gamma_{k,1}$

$$\Theta(t) = e^{-\alpha t} \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{k,1} \\ \Gamma_{k,2} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega_k t) \mathbf{I} & \sin(\omega_k t) \mathbf{I} \\ -\sin(\omega_k t) \mathbf{I} & \cos(\omega_k t) \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{k,1} \\ \Gamma_{k,2} \end{pmatrix}}_{\triangleq \Gamma_k} = \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{k,1} \\ \Gamma_{k,2} \end{pmatrix}^T \exp \left(\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} -\alpha \mathbf{I} & \omega_k \mathbf{I} \\ -\omega_k \mathbf{I} & -\alpha \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} t}_{\triangleq \mathbf{J}_k} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{k,1} \\ \Gamma_{k,2} \end{pmatrix}$$

● Rewrite $\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) - \int_0^t \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau d\tau + \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \mathbf{R}(t)$ into

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) + \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \Gamma_k^T \underbrace{\left(- \int_0^t \exp(\mathbf{J}_k(t - \tau)) \Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau d\tau + \mathbf{R}_k(t) \right)}_{\triangleq \mathbf{z}_k} \quad (1)$$

where $\langle \mathbf{R}_k(t), \mathbf{R}_k(\tau) \rangle = k_B T \exp(\mathbf{J}_k(t - \tau))$

Invariant Density Distribution

- The form with the extended variable is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{\mathbf{q}} &= \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{p} & \dot{\mathbf{p}} &= -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) + \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} (\Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}_t))^T \mathbf{z}_k \\
 \mathbf{z}_k &= - \int_0^t \exp(\mathbf{J}_k(t - \tau)) \Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau d\tau + \mathbf{R}_k(t) \\
 \frac{d\mathbf{z}_k}{dt} &= \mathbf{J}_k \mathbf{z}_k - \Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}_t) \mathbf{v}_t - \Lambda_k \dot{\mathbf{W}}_k & \Lambda_k \Lambda_k^T &= -k_B T (\mathbf{J}_k + \mathbf{J}_k^T)
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

which is a Langevin equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k, \dots) = \mathbf{J} \nabla F(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k, \dots) + \Lambda \dot{\mathbf{W}}_t \tag{3}$$

Invariant Density Distribution

- Langevin equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k, \dots) = \mathbf{J} \nabla F(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k, \dots) + \Lambda \dot{\mathbf{W}}_t$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{p} \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{z}_k \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{I} & \dots & 0 & \dots \\ -\mathbf{I} & 0 & \dots & (\Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}))^T & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & -\Gamma_k \phi(\mathbf{q}) & 0 & \mathbf{J}_k & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{J}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \nabla U(\mathbf{q}) \\ \mathbf{v} \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{z}_k \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}}_{\nabla F} + \sqrt{2k_B T \alpha} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dots \\ \dot{\mathbf{W}}_k \\ \dots \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

- The **invariant density function** $\rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{z}) = \exp[-F(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{z})/k_B T]$
- How to parameterize Γ_k and $\phi(\mathbf{q})$?

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Data-driven Method

- Recall the state-dependent GLE

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}}_t + \nabla U(\mathbf{q}_t) = - \int_0^t \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau d\tau + \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \mathbf{R}(t)$$

- Conditional correlation function

$$\langle \dot{\mathbf{p}}_t + \nabla U(\mathbf{q}), \mathbf{v}_0^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle = - \int_0^t \langle \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}_\tau, \mathbf{v}_0^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle$$

- Represent $\phi(\mathbf{q})$ with a set of sparse bases $\psi(\mathbf{q})$, such that $\phi(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{H}\psi(\mathbf{q})$

$$\text{RHS} = - \int_0^t \text{Tr} \left[\Theta(t - \tau) \mathbf{H} \langle \psi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}(\tau) \mathbf{v}_0^T \psi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle \mathbf{H}^T \right] d\tau$$

Model Parameterization Steps

- Pre-compute

$$\begin{aligned} g(t; \mathbf{q}^*) &= \langle \dot{\mathbf{p}}_t + \nabla U(\mathbf{q}_t), \mathbf{q}_0^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle \\ C_{\psi, \psi}(t, \tau; \mathbf{q}^*) &= \langle \psi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}(\tau) \mathbf{v}_0^T \psi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

- Step 1: compute $\Theta(t) = e^{-\alpha t} \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \tilde{\Theta}_k^S \cos(\omega_k t)$
- Step 2: compute $\tilde{g}(t; \mathbf{q}^*) = - \int_0^t \text{Tr} [\Theta(t - \tau) \mathbf{H} C_{\psi, \psi}(t, \tau; \mathbf{q}^*) \mathbf{H}^T] d\tau$
- Step 3: optimize $\text{loss}(\mathbf{q}^*, \mathbf{t}) = \left\| g(t; \mathbf{q}^*) - \tilde{g}(t; \mathbf{q}^*) \right\|_2^2$

Simulation

- Recall that $\langle \mathbf{R}(t), \mathbf{R}(\tau) \rangle = k_B T \Theta(t - \tau)$ and

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) - \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \int_0^t \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}(\tau) d\tau + \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \mathbf{R}(t)$$

- The noise $\mathbf{R}(t)$ term is pre-generated by

$$\mathbf{R}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_B T}} \sum_{j=0}^{2N} \hat{\Theta}_j^{1/2} [\cos(\omega_j t) \xi_j + \sin(\omega_j t) \eta_j]$$

$$\hat{\Theta}_j = \sum_{k=0}^{N_\omega} \left(\frac{\alpha \tilde{\Theta}_k}{\alpha^2 + (\omega_k - \omega_j)^2} + \frac{\alpha \tilde{\Theta}_k}{\alpha^2 + (\omega_k + \omega_j)^2} \right)$$

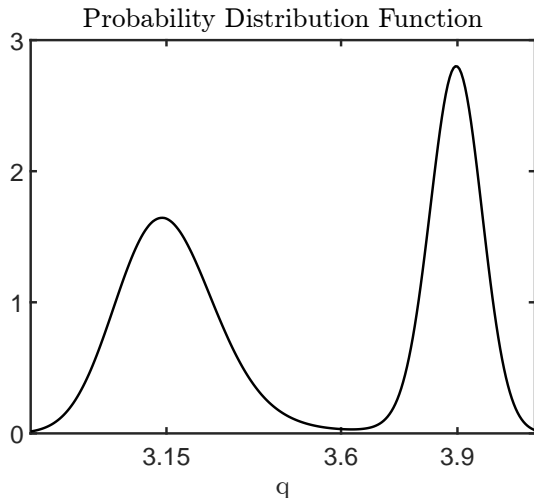
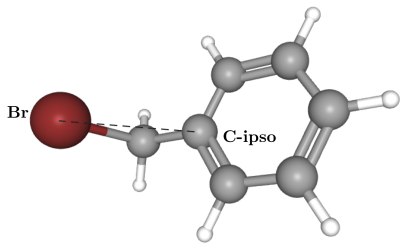
- The convolution term can be computed using the fast convolution algorithm.
- Only requires $O(N \log N)$ complexity.

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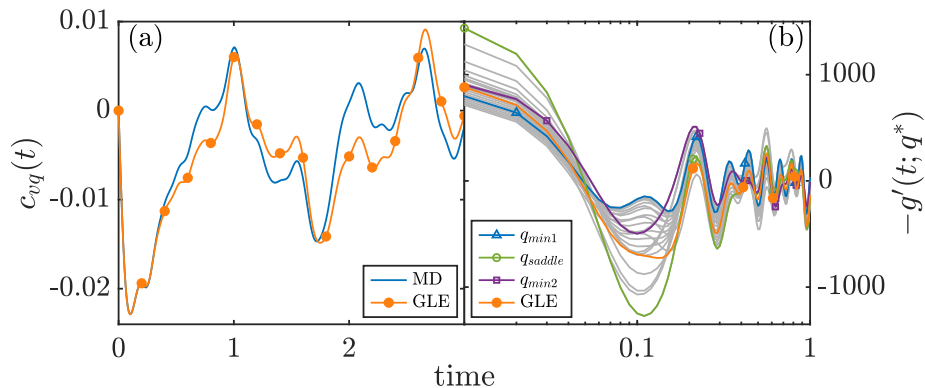
Numerical Result: Full Model

- A Benzyl bromide molecule in water.
- q is the distance between the bromine atom and the ipso-carbon atom.
- $U(q)$ is evaluated from the PDF.



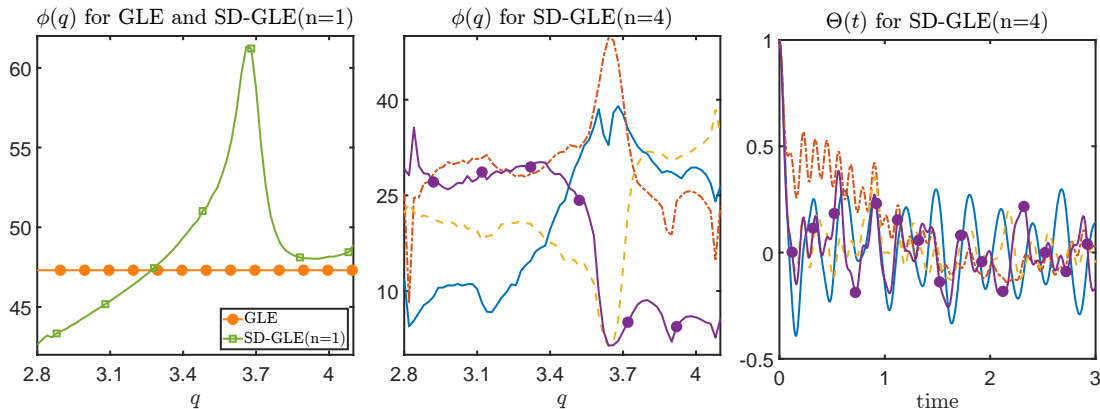
Numerical Result: Limitation of Standard GLE

$$g(t; \mathbf{q}^*) = \langle \dot{\mathbf{p}}_t + \nabla U(\mathbf{q}_t), \mathbf{q}_0^T | \mathbf{q}_0 = \mathbf{q}^* \rangle, \quad g'(0; q^*) = -k_B T \mathbf{K}(q^*, 0)/m$$

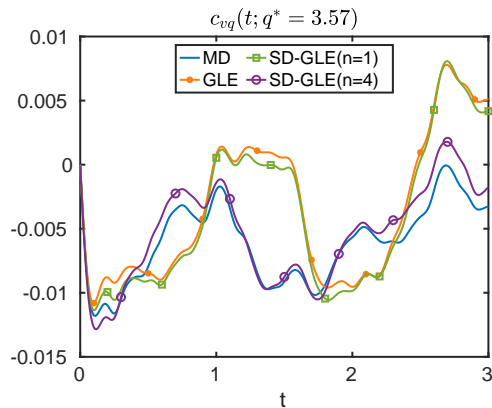
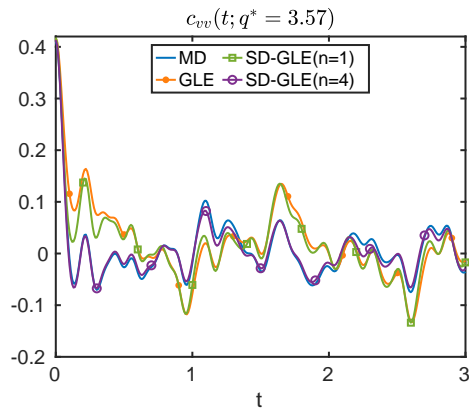


Numerical Result: $\Theta(t)$ and $\phi(\mathbf{q})$

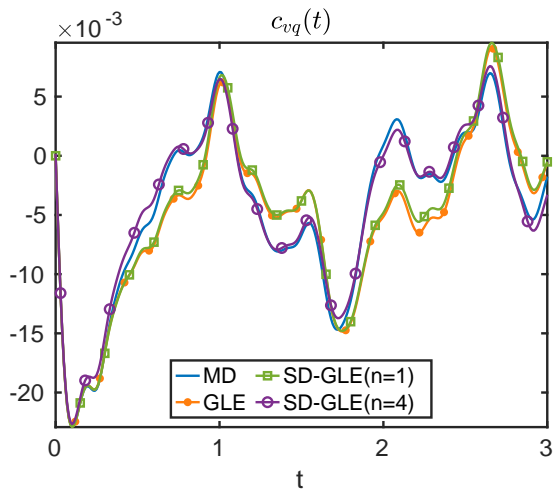
$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{q}) - \int_0^t \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \Theta(t - \tau) \phi(\mathbf{q}_\tau) \mathbf{v}(\tau) d\tau + \phi(\mathbf{q}_t)^T \mathbf{R}(t)$$



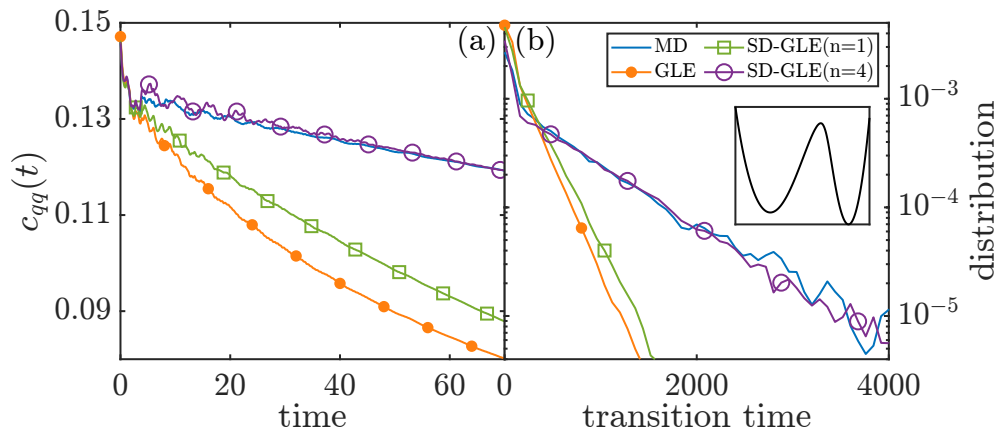
Numerical Result on Saddle Point



Numerical Result: Standard Correlation Function



Numerical Result: Transition Time



Conclusion

- **State-dependent memory kernel** is crucial on the reduced dynamics.
- Our model has consistent **density distribution**.
- **Efficient training** is achieved by pre-computed three-point correlation function.

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Hydrodynamics of non-Newtonian fluids

- Continuum hydrodynamic model of incompressible non-Newtonian fluids

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\rho \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\tau_s + \tau_p) + \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}} \quad (6)$$

- Newtonian model of solvent stress τ_s

$$\tau_s = \eta_s (\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T)$$

- Polymer stress τ_p is generally unknown

Why Difficult?

- Polymer stress τ_p determined by the micro-scale interactions

$$\tau_p = \langle \mathbf{r} \otimes \nabla V(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \quad \mathbf{r} - \text{bond vector} \quad V - \text{potential function}$$

- Conformation tensor \mathbf{c}

$$\tau_p = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{c}), \quad \frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t} = \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{c}), \quad \frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t} - \text{objective tensor derivative} \quad (7)$$

- **Frame-indifference:** $\widetilde{\frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t}} = \mathcal{U} \frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t} \mathcal{U}^T, \quad \mathcal{U}\mathcal{U}^T = \mathbf{I}$

- Multiple choices of the objective tensor derivative

$$\text{Upper convected:} \quad \overset{\nabla}{\mathbf{c}} = \frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{c} \nabla \mathbf{u}$$

$$\text{Lower convected:} \quad \overset{\Delta}{\mathbf{c}} = \frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} + \nabla \mathbf{u} \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{c} \nabla \mathbf{u}^T$$

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Hookean Model

- **Hookean Model:** $\mathbf{c} = \langle \mathbf{r} \mathbf{r}^T \rangle$ and harmonic bond potential $V(\mathbf{r}) \propto (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0)^2$

$$\underbrace{\frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{c} \nabla \mathbf{u}}_{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}/\mathcal{D}t} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{c})}_{\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{c})} \quad \tau_p = \langle \mathbf{r} \otimes \nabla V(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \propto \mathbf{c}$$

- What if $\nabla V(\mathbf{r})$ is **non-linear** to \mathbf{r} ?
 - τ_p becomes non linear, so multiple \mathbf{c} is needed
 - Each \mathbf{c} needs a unique $\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}/\mathcal{D}t$
 - \mathbf{c} may rotate even without flow

Why difficult?

- **Motivation:** Learn the macro-scale dynamics directly from the micro-scale model

- **Caution & criticism:**

- Time-series \mathbf{c}_{t_i} may not be feasible to learn $\frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t} = \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{c})$

$$\mathbf{c}_{t+dt} - \mathbf{c}_t = \widetilde{\mathbf{H}}(\nabla \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{c})dt$$

- Retain physical interpretation and frame-indifference constraints

$$\widetilde{\frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t}} = \mathbf{u} \frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t} \mathbf{u}^T, \quad \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T = \mathbf{I}$$

- Numerical stability and generalization ability

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Micro-macro Correspondence

- Seek a set of explicit micro-macro correspondences

$$\mathbf{c}_i = \langle \mathbf{b}_i \rangle \quad \mathbf{b}_i = g_i^2(|\mathbf{r}^*|)(\omega_i \mathbf{r})^T (\omega_i \mathbf{r}) \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$\langle \cdot \rangle$ - discrete samples collected from micro-scale molecular dynamics simulations

- \mathbf{b}_i preserves **frame-indifference**
- By the meso-scale model of \mathbf{r} and Fokker–Planck equation:

$$\underbrace{\frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \mathbf{r}_j \otimes \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \otimes \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle}_{\text{interpretable objective tensor derivative}} = \underbrace{\frac{k_B T}{\gamma} \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N_b} A_{jk} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_k} V(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle - \frac{1}{\gamma} \left\langle \sum_{j,k=1}^{N-1} A_{jk} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_k} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle}_{\text{dynamics directly from instantaneous discrete time samples}} \quad (8)$$

- A_{jk} and $V(\mathbf{r})$ encode the micro-scale structure

Micro-macro Correspondence

- **Question:** How should we build the macro-model?

$$\frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \underbrace{\left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \mathbf{r}_j \otimes \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \otimes \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle}_{\mathcal{E}_i(\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n)} = \frac{k_B T}{\gamma} \underbrace{\left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N_b} A_{jk} \nabla_{r_k} V(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \nabla_{r_j} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle}_{\mathbf{H}_{1,i}(\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n)} - \frac{1}{\gamma} \underbrace{\left\langle \sum_{j,k=1}^{N-1} A_{jk} \nabla_{r_j} \cdot \nabla_{r_k} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle}_{\mathbf{H}_{2,i}(\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n)}$$

- Ensure **physical constraints**
 - Energy stability
 - Positive definite of conformation tensor

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Variational structure of the macro-scale hydrodynamic model

- Macro-scale hydrodynamics governed by the coupling of a reversible and an irreversible process

$$\frac{d\mathcal{X}}{dt} = \mathcal{L} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \mathcal{X}} + \mathcal{M} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \mathcal{X}} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathcal{L} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{M} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \mathcal{X}} \equiv \mathbf{0} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{X} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d - \text{field variables} \quad & E[\mathcal{X}] = \int_{\Omega} \hat{E}(\mathcal{X}) d\Omega - \text{energy} \quad & S[\mathcal{X}] = \int_{\Omega} \hat{S}(\mathcal{X}) d\Omega - \text{entropy} \\ \mathcal{L} = -\mathcal{L}^T - \text{poisson matrix} \quad & \mathcal{M} > 0 - \text{friction matrix} \end{aligned}$$

- The degeneracy condition (4) ensures the energy conservation $dE/dt \equiv 0$ and the entropy production $dS/dt \geq 0$ and therefore the free energy stability

Onsager, Physical review, 1931; Morrison., Physica D, 1986; Grmela-Öttinger, Phys. Rev. E, 1997; Lin-Liu-Zhang, Commun. Pure Appl. Math., 2005; Yu-Tian-E-Li, Phys Rev. Fluids, 2021

Variational structure of the Hookean model

- **Example:** the PDE form of the Hookean non-Newtonian model

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_t &= -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) & \frac{d\rho \mathbf{u}}{dt} &= -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\tau_s + \tau_p) \\ \overset{\nabla}{\mathbf{c}} &= \frac{1}{\lambda}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{c}) & \tau_s &= \mu(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T), \quad \tau_p = \mathbf{c}\end{aligned}$$

is governed by the variational structure

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{X} &= (\rho, \mathbf{u}, \epsilon, \mathbf{c}) & E = E_{\text{Newton}} &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho |\mathbf{u}|^2 + \epsilon \right) d\Omega & \mathcal{L} &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Newton}} & -\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}}^T \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}} & \end{pmatrix} \\ S &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} S_{\text{Newton}} + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{c}) + \ln(\det(\mathbf{c})) d\Omega & \mathcal{M} &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{\text{Newton}} & \\ & \frac{1}{\lambda} \{ \delta_{ik} \mathbf{c}_{jl} + \mathbf{c}_{ik} \delta_{jl} \} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Newton}}, \mathcal{M}_{\text{Newton}}$ - poisson and friction operators of Newtonian fluid

$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}}$ - poisson operator of the upper-convected derivative

A generalized extendable variational structure

- **Main idea:** seek the energy variational form of our model

$$\mathcal{X} = (\rho, \mathbf{u}, \epsilon, \mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n) \quad E = \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho |\mathbf{u}|^2 + \epsilon \right) d\Omega \quad S = \int_{\Omega} S_{\text{Newton}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n) d\Omega$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Newton}} & -\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}_1}^T & \cdots \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}_1} & & \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{\text{Newton}} & & \\ & \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{44} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{M}^S \in \mathbb{R}^{3n \times 3n}} & \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & & -(M^A)^T \\ \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{42} & \mathcal{M}_{43} \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}}_{\substack{\mathcal{M}^A \in [\mathbb{R}^{3n \times 3 \times 3} \quad \mathbb{R}^{3n \times 3}]} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

\mathcal{M}^S - dynamics of \mathbf{c} \mathcal{M}^A - objective tensor derivative $\frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}}{\mathcal{D}t}$

- To strictly preserve the degeneracy condition with $\mathcal{M} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \mathcal{X}} = 0$

$$\mathcal{M}_{42} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathcal{M}_{43} = 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_{42} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_i \quad \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3}$$

A generalized extendable variational structure

- The final constitutive dynamics takes the PDE form:

$$\underbrace{\frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{c}_i - \mathbf{c}_i \nabla \mathbf{u} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_i}_{\frac{\mathcal{D}\mathbf{c}_i}{\mathcal{D}t}} = \underbrace{\mathcal{M}_i^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}}_{\mathbf{H}_i(\cdot)} \quad \tau_p = \underbrace{\sum_i \left(2\mathbf{c}_i \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}_i} + \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_i : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}_i} \right)}_{\mathbf{G}(\cdot)} \quad (11)$$

- For simplicity, let $\mathcal{E}_i = \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_i + \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{c}_i}$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \mathcal{E}_i = \mathcal{M}_i^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \quad \tau_p = \mathcal{E} : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}$$

DeePN²

- DeePN²: A **variational-informed** machine-learning model of non-Newtonian fluids

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{X} &= (\rho, \mathbf{u}, \epsilon, \mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_n) \\
 \frac{d\mathcal{X}}{dt} &= \mathcal{L} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \mathcal{X}} + \mathcal{M} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \mathcal{X}} \\
 \mathcal{L} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \mathcal{X}} &= \mathcal{M} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \mathcal{X}} \equiv \mathbf{0}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{H}_i &= \mathcal{M}_i^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \\
 \tau_p &= \mathcal{E} : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{aligned}
 \rho_t &= -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) \\
 \frac{d\rho_t \mathbf{u}}{dt} &= -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\tau_s + \tau_p) \\
 \frac{D\mathbf{c}_i}{Dt} &:= \frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \mathcal{E}_i = \mathbf{H}_i(\mathbf{c})
 \end{aligned}
 \quad (12)$$

- \mathcal{M}^S , \mathcal{E} and \hat{S} represented by neural networks **preserving physical constraints**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_i^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}_i} &= \frac{k_B T}{\gamma} \left\langle \sum_j^{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N_b} A_{jk} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_k} V(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle - \frac{1}{\gamma} \left\langle \sum_{j,k=1}^{N-1} A_{jk} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_k} \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle \\
 \mathcal{E}_i &= \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \mathbf{r}_j \otimes \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} \otimes \mathbf{b}_i \right\rangle \quad \tau_p = \mathcal{E} : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} = \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \mathbf{r}_j \otimes \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_j} V(\mathbf{r}) \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}
 \quad (13)$$

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Neural Networks with Physical Constraints

- Recall the formulation

$$\frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{M}^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}$$

- **Question:** What constraints should \hat{S} , \mathcal{M}^S , \mathcal{E} follow?
 - Frame-indifference
 - \mathcal{M}^S - positive definite
 - \hat{S} - concave
 - Keep \mathbf{c} positive definite

Positive definite and frame-indifferent friction matrix

- **Proposition:** Represent \mathcal{M}^S and \mathcal{E} in the polynomial function space of $\{\mathbf{c}_i\}$
- **Key observation:** Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$, the Cayley–Hamilton theorem yields

$$\mathbf{A}^{p+1} = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{A}^p - \frac{1}{2}(\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A})^2 - \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2))\mathbf{A}^{p-1} + \det(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{A}^{p-2}$$

Therefore, higher-order polynomials can be represented by

$$\mathbf{c}^p = \xi_1(\mathbf{x}_c)\mathbf{I} + \xi_2(\mathbf{x}_c)\mathbf{c} + \xi_3(\mathbf{x}_c)\mathbf{c}^2 \quad (14)$$

where \mathbf{x}_c are the rotation invariants.

Positive definite and frame-indifferent friction matrix

- Representation of polynomial basis functions $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c})$ and frame-indifference variables \mathbf{x}_c

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{c}) &= \left\{ \mathbf{c}_i, \mathbf{I} + (\mathbf{c}_i - \mathbf{c}_j)^2 \right\} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 3 \times 3} \\ \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c}) &= \left\{ \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{B}_i, \mathbf{B}_i^2 \right\}_{\mathbf{B}_i \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{c})} \in \mathbb{R}^{(2m+1) \times 3 \times 3} \\ \mathbf{x}_c &= \left\{ \text{Tr}(\mathbf{B}_i), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{B}_i^2), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{B}_i^3) \right\}_{\mathbf{B}_i \in \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{c})} \in \mathbb{R}^{3m \times 1}\end{aligned}$$

- Neural network representation of $\mathcal{M}^S = \text{diag}(\mathcal{M}_1^S, \dots, \mathcal{M}_n^S)$ and \mathcal{E}_i

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_i^S &= \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c})^T \cdot \left(\Gamma_i^{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}_c) \Gamma_i^{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{x}_c)^T \right) \cdot \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c}) \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3} \\ \mathcal{E}_i &= \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c})^T \cdot \Gamma_i^{\mathcal{E}}(\mathbf{x}_c) \cdot \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{c}) \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3}\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where $\Gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{3m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(2m+1) \times (2m+1)}$ is represented by the neural networks.

Concave and frame-indifferent entropy \hat{S}

- **Lemma:** If f and g are convex and g is non-decreasing, then $h(x) = g(f(x))$ is convex.
- Frame-indifference and convex inputs:

$$\mathbf{x}_c = \{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i^2), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i^3)\} \in \mathbb{R}^{3n \times 1} \quad (16)$$

- Convex and non-decreasing neural network

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_0 &= g_0(\mathbf{W}_0^x \mathbf{x}_c + \mathbf{b}_0) \\ \mathbf{z}_{l+1} &= g_{l+1}(\mathbf{W}_{l+1}^z \mathbf{z}_l + \mathbf{W}_{l+1}^x \mathbf{x}_c + \mathbf{b}_{l+1}) \\ \tilde{S}(\mathbf{x}_c) &= \mathbf{W}_{L+1}^z \mathbf{z}_L + \mathbf{W}_{L+1}^x \mathbf{x}_c + \mathbf{b}_{L+1} \quad l = 0, \dots, L-1 \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where $\mathbf{W}_l^z \geq 0$, $\mathbf{W}_l^x \geq 0$, g_l is convex and non-decreasing activation functions.

Positive Definite \mathbf{c}

- **Assumption:** $\hat{S} = \hat{S}_{\text{bound}}(\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}^2)) + \log(\det(\mathbf{c}_i))$ and $\mathcal{E}_i, \mathbf{M}_i, \frac{d\hat{S}_{\text{bound}}}{d\mathbf{c}_i}$ bounded, \mathbf{c} has upper bound
- **Proposition:** Given $\mathbf{c}(0)$ positive definite, $\mathbf{c}(t)$ will always be positive definite.
- **Sketch of Proof:** Recall the formulation $\frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} - \nabla \mathbf{u}^T : \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{M}^S : \frac{\partial \hat{S}}{\partial \mathbf{c}}$
- Consider the dynamic of $\det(\mathbf{c})$

$$\frac{d \det(\mathbf{c}_i)}{dt} = \det(\mathbf{c}_i) \mathbf{c}_i^{-1} : \frac{d\mathbf{c}_i}{dt} = \det(\mathbf{c}_i) \left(\mathbf{c}_i^{-1} : (\nabla \mathbf{u} : \mathcal{E}_i) + \mathbf{c}_i^{-1} : (\mathbf{M}_i : \frac{d\hat{S}}{d\mathbf{c}}) \right)$$

- By the Cayley-Hamilton theorem, let $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) := \det(\mathbf{c}_i) \mathbf{c}_i^{-1} = \mathbf{c}_i^2 - \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i) \mathbf{c}_i + \frac{1}{2}(\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i)^2 - \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}_i^2)) \mathbf{I}$

$$\frac{d \det(\mathbf{c}_i)}{dt} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) : (\nabla \mathbf{u} : \mathcal{E}_i) + \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) : (\mathbf{M}_i : \frac{d\hat{S}}{d\mathbf{c}_i})$$

Positive Definite \mathbf{c}

- Since $\hat{S} = \hat{S}_{\text{bound}}(\text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}), \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c}^2)) + \log(\det(\mathbf{c}_i))$, then we have

$$\frac{d\hat{S}}{d\mathbf{c}_i} = \frac{d\hat{S}_{\text{bound}}}{d\mathbf{c}_i} + \mathbf{c}_i^{-1}$$

$$\frac{d \det(\mathbf{c}_i)}{dt} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) : \left(\nabla \mathbf{u} : \mathcal{E}_i + \mathbf{M}_i : \frac{d\hat{S}_{\text{bound}}}{d\mathbf{c}_i} \right) + \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{c}_i)} (\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) : \mathbf{M}_i : \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i))$$

- \mathbf{M}_i is positive definite so $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) : \mathbf{M}_i : \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{c}_i) > 0$
- So $\det(\mathbf{c})$ has lower bound that larger than 0
- \mathbf{c} keeps positive definite

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Dumbbell solution: reverse-Poiseuille flow

- Micro-scale polymer solution model

- Elastic bond (FENE)

$$V_b(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{k}{2} r_0^2 \log\left(1 - \frac{|\mathbf{r}|^2}{r_0^2}\right)$$

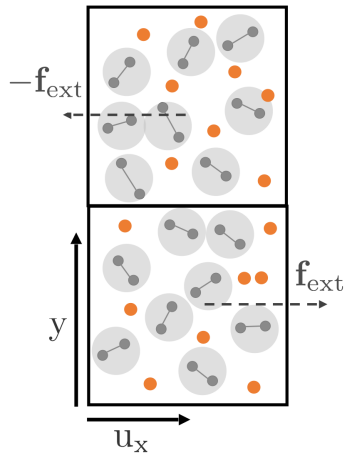
k_s - spring constant

r_0 - maximum bond extension

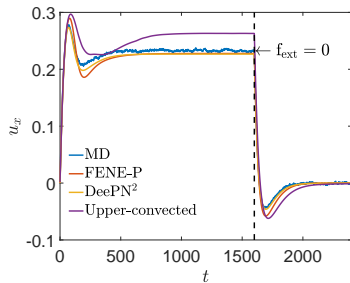
- Pairwise interactions imposed between solvent-solvent, solvent-polymer

- Empirical continuum non-Newtonian fluid models

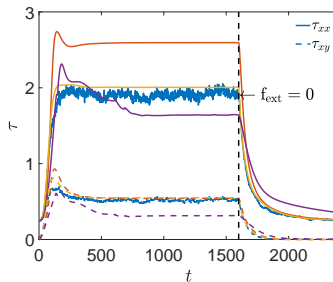
- FENE-P model: $\tau_p \propto \frac{\mathbf{c}}{1 - \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c})/r_0^2}$, $\overset{\nabla}{\mathbf{c}} \propto \mathbf{I} - \lambda \frac{\mathbf{c}}{1 - \text{Tr}(\mathbf{c})/r_0^2}$



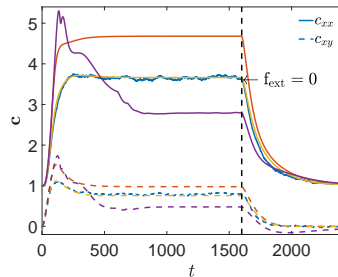
Numerical Results



velocity evolution



stress evolution



conformation tensor evolution

Conclusion

- **Retain micro-model fidelity:** systematically pass the micro-scale analytical form to macro-scale
 - time-series samples are not needed
 - interpretable objective tensor derivative
- **Respect frame-indifference and physical constraints**
 - micro-macro correspondence
 - neural networks (rotational symmetry, concave, positive definite)
- **Be reliable:** strictly preserve the energy structure and ensure numerical stability
 - existing energy stable schemes (e.g., scalar auxiliary variable, the convex splitting) can be naturally inherited
 - existing schemes for positive definite conformation tensors (e.g., matrix-logarithm of the conformation tensor)

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