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SCIENTIFIC MACHINE LEARNING AND TENSORFLOW TUTORIAL

Introduction and TensorFlow basics

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Numerical PDEs: Analysis, Algorithms, and Data Challenges

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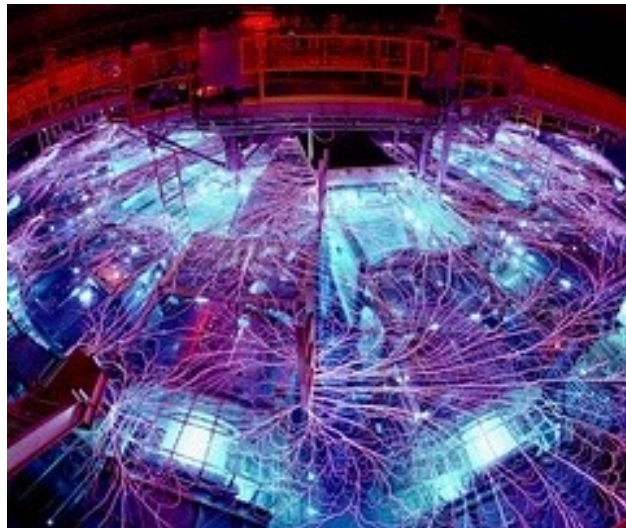
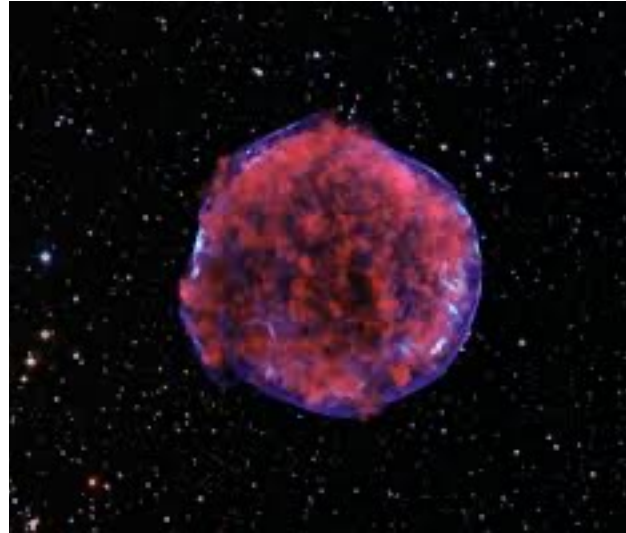
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THE GOAL OF SCIENTIFIC MACHINE LEARNING

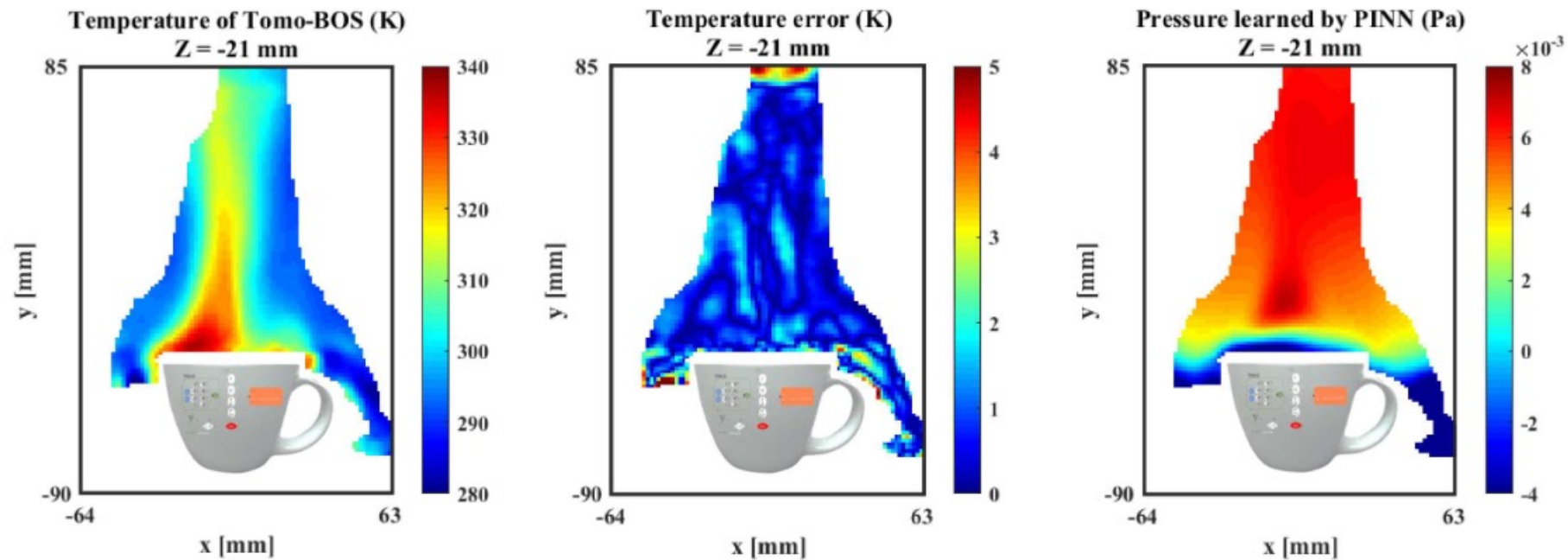


- Given experimental/high fidelity simulation data from a system,
- Find a mathematical model that describes the system
- Experiments/simulations generate **noisy, biased, sparse** data

WHERE IS SCIENTIFIC MACHINE LEARNING USED?



PDE Inverse problems

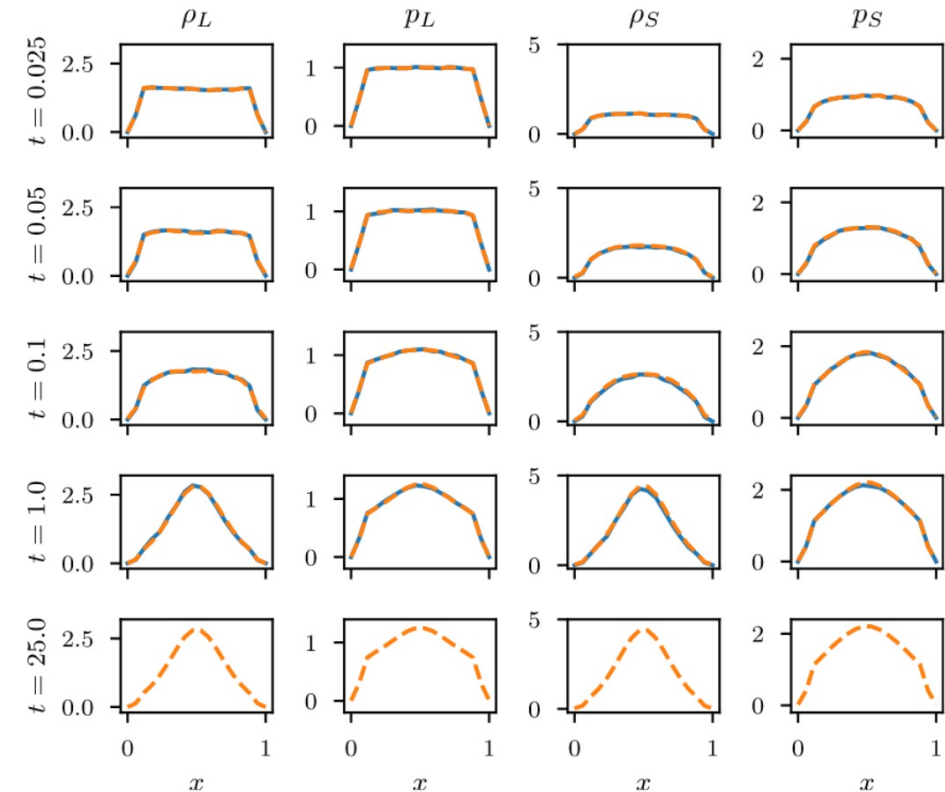
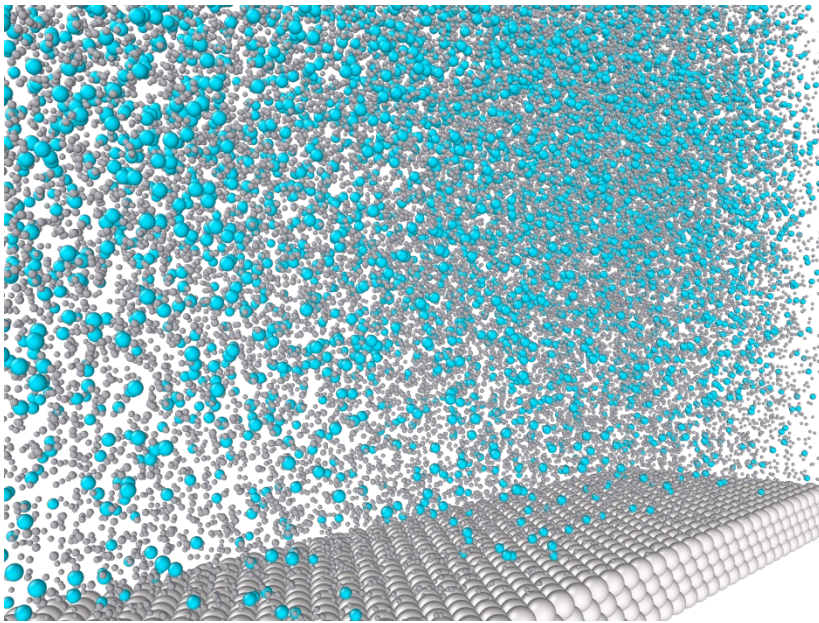
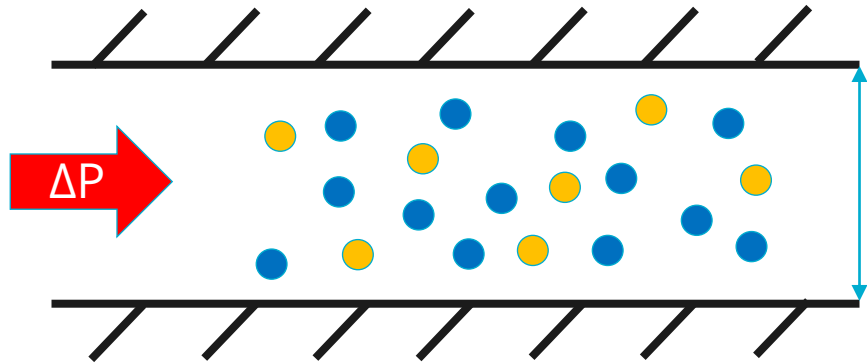


PINNs infers the Pressure of the flow over a coffee mug from Tomographic background oriented schlieren images
S. Cai et al., *JFM* (2021)

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Surrogate modeling

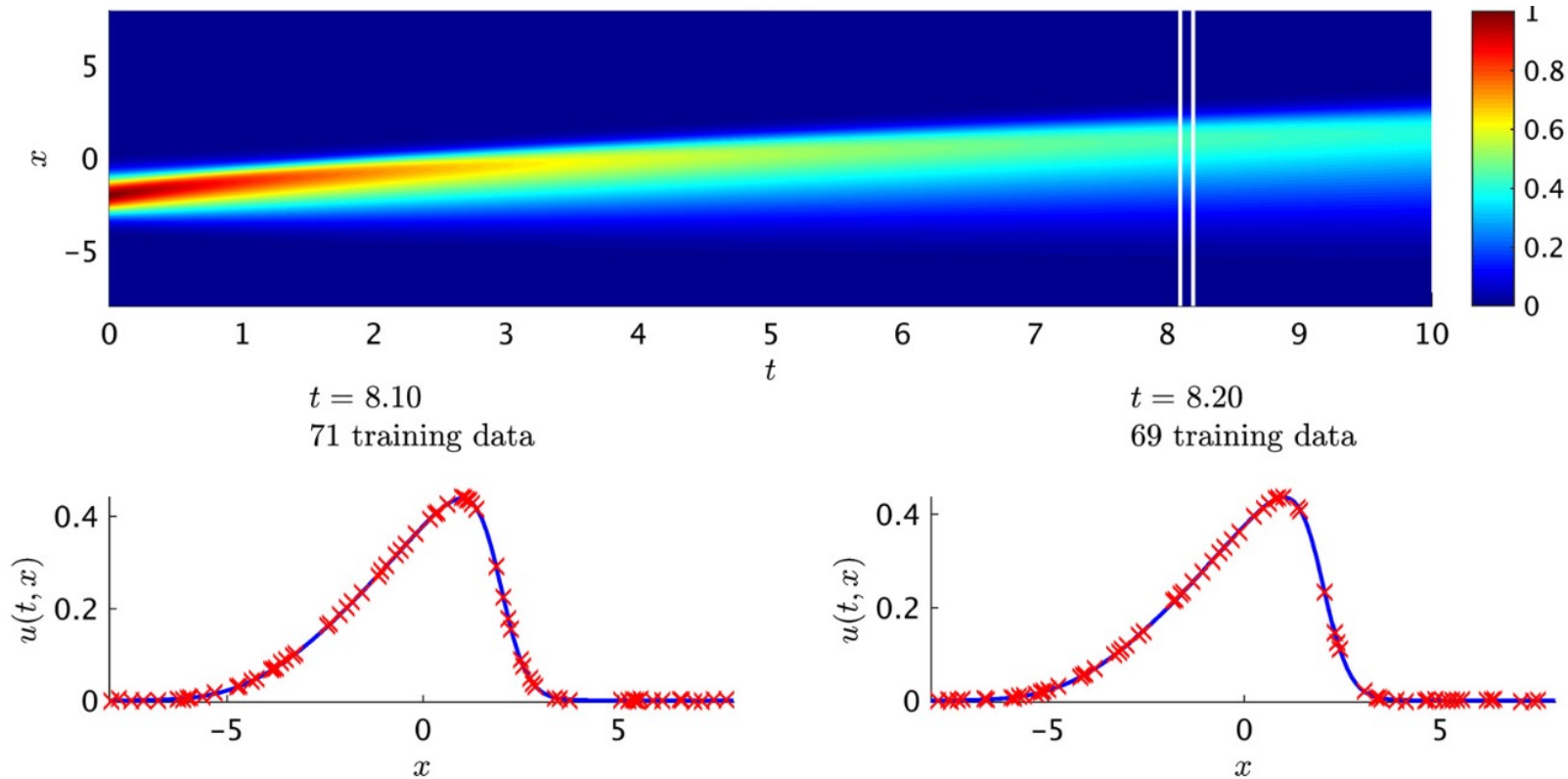


MOR-physics learns dynamics of colloidal system from molecular dynamics simulations
R. Patel et al., *CMAME* (2021)

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System Identification

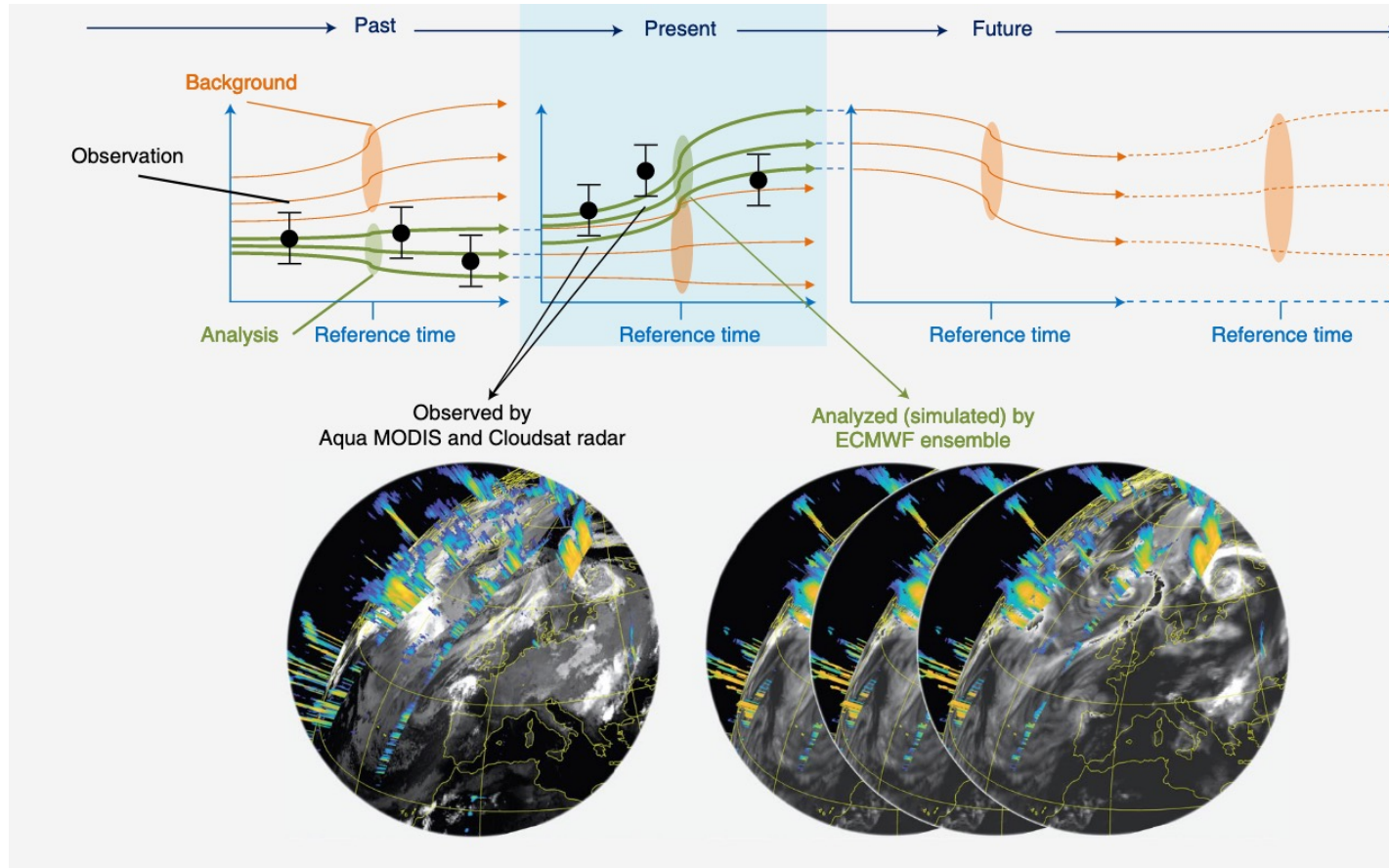


A Gaussian process is used to recover a PDE from data
M. Raissi and G. Karniadakis, *JCP* (2018)

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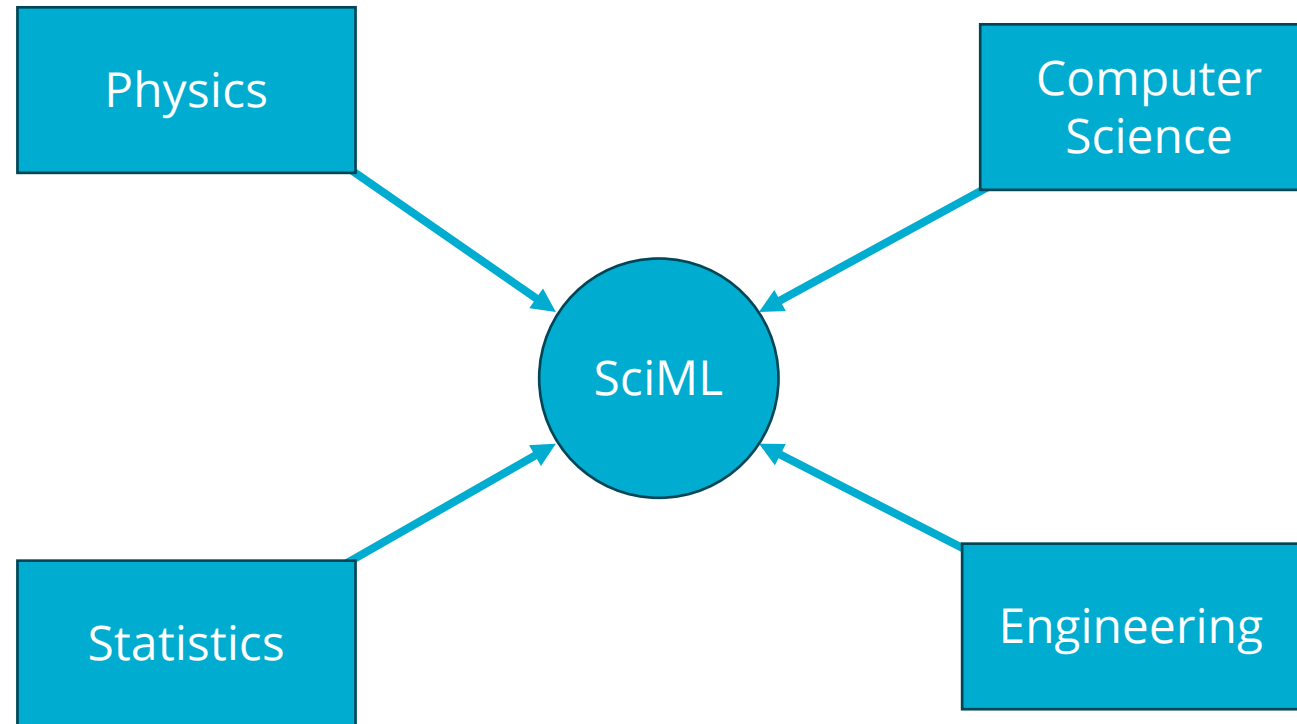


Digital Twins

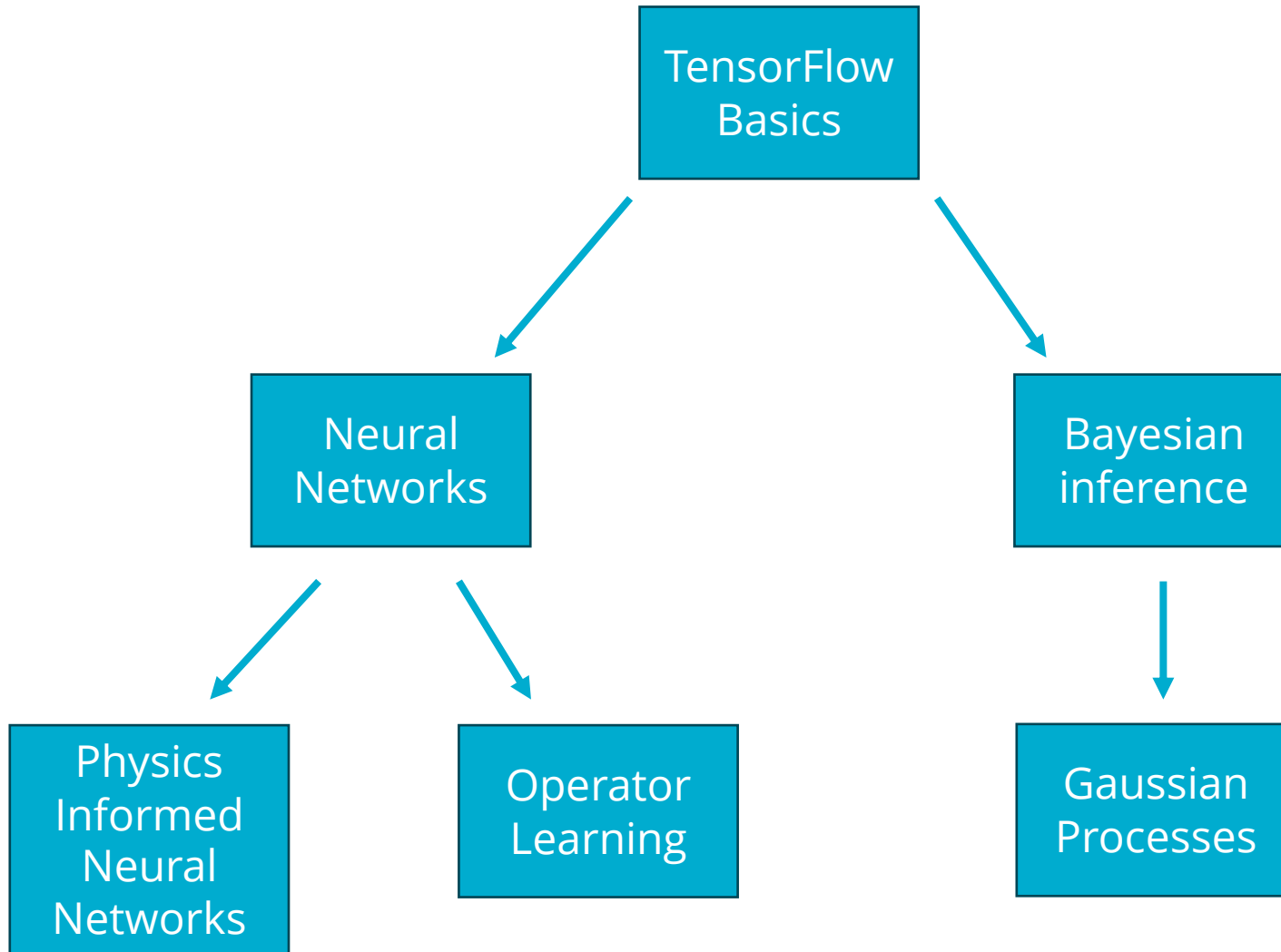


An Earth digital twin - combining MODIS and Cloudsat observations with ECMWF simulations
Bauer et al., *Nature Computational Science*, 2021

COMPONENTS OF SCIENTIFIC MACHINE LEARNING



TUTORIAL TOPICS



SCHEDULE



Day 1

| Time | Topic |
|-------------------|---|
| 9:00am – 9:45am | Introduction and TensorFlow basics |
| 9:45am – 10:15am | Neural networks I |
| 10:15am – 10:30am | Coffee Break |
| 10:30am – 11:30am | Neural networks II |
| 11:30am – 1:30pm | Lunch/Free Time |
| 1:30pm – 4:00pm | Physics informed neural networks and inverse problems |
| 4:00pm – 4:30pm | Coffee Break |
| 4:30pm – 5:00pm | Bayesian inference and Gaussian Processes I |

SCHEDULE



Day 2

| Time | Topic |
|-------------------|--|
| 9:00am – 10:15am | Bayesian Inference and Gaussian Processes II |
| 10:15am – 10:30am | Coffee Break |
| 10:30am – 11:30am | Operator Learning I |
| 11:30am – 1:30pm | Lunch/Free Time |
| 1:30pm – 3:30pm | Operator Learning II |
| 3:30pm – 4:00pm | Coffee Break |
| 4:00pm – 4:30pm | Advanced topics. Future directions. Reproducibility. |
| 4:30pm – 5:00pm | Open Discussion |

TENSORFLOW OVERVIEW



- Tensorflow – linear algebra with automatic differentiation and accelerator support
- Concepts
 - Tensor data type
 - Accelerators
 - GradientTape
- Addons
 - Keras
 - Optimizers
 - Tensorflow probability

TENSORFLOW VS. NUMPY



Numpy

- `import numpy as np`
- Operates on np.array type
- np.zeros, np.einsum, np.arange, np.shape
- np.concat, np.sum, A.T

Tensorflow

- `import tensorflow as tf`
- Operates on the tf.tensor type
- tf.zeros, np.einsum, tf.arange, tf.shape
- tf.concatenate, tf.reduce_sum, tf.transpose(A)
- Accelerator support
- Automatic differentiation



TensorType

- Similar to numpy arrays, but with accelerator support and automatic differentiation
- Constants once instantiated cannot be modified
- ```
In [1]: tf.constant(4.)
Out[1]: <tf.Tensor: shape=(), dtype=float32, numpy=4.0>
```
- Variables (i.e. parameters) can be reassigned values
- ```
In [2]: a = tf.Variable(4.)  
In [3]: a.assign(3.)  
Out[3]: <tf.Variable 'UnreadVariable' shape=() dtype=float32, numpy=3.0>
```
- The standard `=` operator will create a new tensor
- Accumulation operators like `+=` will give an error
- For optimization, we typically will use `assign` to update Variables (i.e. parameters)



GradientTape

- Compute gradients using the following syntax,

```
x = tf.constant(2.)  
with tf.GradientTape() as tape:  
    tape.watch(x)  
    y = x**2  
tape.gradients(y,x)
```

- GradientTape tracks operations and adjoints for backprop
 - More details in next topic
- Can only compute the gradient of a scalar
 - Will sum over first argument if it's not a scalar
- GradientTape can also be used to compute Hessians and Jacobians
 - https://www.tensorflow.org/guide/advanced_autodiff



Eager mode

- TensorFlow offers two computational modes
- Eager mode is the default mode
 - Behaves much like standard Python but is much slower
 - Easier to debug
 - Code so far has all been in eager mode

```
A = tf.random.normal((25,250,2500))
B = tf.random.normal((2500,250,25))
def DoubleDot(A,B):
    return tf.einsum('ijk,kjl',A,B)
```

```
In [1]: %%timeit
...: DoubleDot(A,B)
8.54 ms ± 192 µs per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)
```



Graph mode

- Graph mode is much faster but more restrictive. To invoke Graph mode
 1. Write a Python function with TensorFlow operations
 2. Pass the function through `tf.function` or decorate one with `@tf.function`
 3. First run will be slow

```
DoubleDot_graph = tf.function(DoubleDot)

@tf.function(jit_compile=True)
def DoubleDot_graph2(A,B):
    return tf.einsum('ijk,kjl',A,B)
```

```
In [1]: %%timeit
...: DoubleDot_graph(A,B)
1.11 ms ± 146 ns per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1,000 loops each)
```

```
In [2]: %%timeit
...: DoubleDot_graph2(A,B)
1.11 ms ± 168 ns per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1,000 loops each)
```



Just-in-time compilation

- We can further speed up TensorFlow code by specifying just-in-time compilation (XLA) in tf.function,

```
@tf.function(jit_compile=True)
def DoubleDot_jit(A,B):
    return tf.einsum('ijk,kjl',A,B)
```

```
In [1]: %%timeit
...: DoubleDot_jit(A,B)
260 µs ± 269 ns per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1,000 loops each)
```



Executing on accelerators

- By default, TensorFlow will try to execute code on the GPU
- We can explicitly tell it to execute on a specific device,

```
In [1]: %%timeit
...: with tf.device('/CPU:0'):
...:     DoubleDot_jit(A,B)
8.35 ms ± 80.8 µs per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)

In [2]: %%timeit
...: with tf.device('/GPU:0'):
...:     DoubleDot_jit(A,B)
262 µs ± 319 ns per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1,000 loops each)
```


TIPS AND TRICKS



- Eager mode is more robust and provides better error messages than graph mode
 - Check code in eager before switch to graph mode
 - Check code in graph mode without JIT before enabling JIT
- Avoid using numpy code and operations with side effects inside a `tf.function`
- Use Jupyter's built-in debugger
- Applying operations to the wrong shapes is the most common error
 - Check the shape of inputs to/outputs of operations
- TensorFlow is much less forgiving than numpy with respect to precision
 - By default float32 vs. numpy's float64
- GradientTape must be used with `tf.tensor`. `np.array`'s won't trace
- You'll likely do some tensor transposing and reshaping,
e.g., to use linear algebra operations, $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \cong \mathbb{R}^{nm}$
- TensorFlow and numpy are not one-to-one. Check the documentation,
https://www.tensorflow.org/api_docs

HANDS ON EXERCISES



- We'll split up into 10 groups, each with an assigned instance
 - Amazon EC2 with 4 vCPUs and 1 Nvidia T40 GPU
 - Only up until tomorrow night – save data offline
- We'll be using the Jupyter lab to do the exercises
 - Web browser-based development environment
 - Collaborative – group members will share same Jupyter
- The instances have all been started already
- Run the following command in your terminal,

```
$ ssh -L 8888:localhost:8888 icerm2024@<ip>
```

- I'll give each group their <ip>
- and in your browser, navigate to
 - <http://localhost:8888> (password is icerm2024)

JUPYTER NOTEBOOK



Enter Password:
icerm2024

Browser tab: Jupyter Server

Address bar: localhost:8889/login?next=%2Ftab%3F

Page header: jupyter

Form fields:

- Label: Password:
- Input field:
- Button: Log in

JupyterLab interface showing the Launcher view. The browser address bar indicates the URL is `localhost:8888/lab/tree/RTC%3A`.

Left Panel (File Browser):

- Filter files by name:
- Files and folders:
 - exercises (14 minutes ago)
 - lectures (2 minutes ago)
 - README.md (7 minutes ago)

Launcher View:

RTC:

- Notebook**
 - Python 3 (ipykernel)
- Console**
 - Python 3 (ipykernel)
- Other**
 - Terminal
 - Text File
 - Markdown File
 - Python File
 - Show Contextual Help

Right Panel (Toolbars):

- VARIABLES
- CALLS...
- BREAKPOINTS
- SOURCE
- KERNEL SOURCES

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JupyterLab

localhost:8888/lab/tree/RTC%3A

File Edit View Run Kernel Tabs Settings Help

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Content for this tutorial
You'll be working off
notebooks in exercises



JupyterLab interface showing the Launcher view. The browser address bar indicates the URL: localhost:8888/lab/tree/RTC%3A. The left sidebar shows a file browser with a search bar and a list of files: exercises (14 minutes ago), lectures (2 minutes ago), and README.md (7 minutes ago). The main area displays the Launcher view with a search bar and a list of available environments: RTC: Notebook, Python 3 (ipykernel), Console, and Other. A blue box highlights the Python 3 (ipykernel) option, and a blue arrow points to it from a text box that says: "If you need, you can start a new notebook here". The right sidebar shows various toolbars: VARIABLES, CALLS..., BREAKPOINTS, SOURCE, and KERNEL SOURCES. The bottom status bar shows "Simple" and "Launcher 0".



JupyterLab

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Launcher

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Other

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VARIABLES

BREAKPOINTS

SOURCE

KERNEL SOURCES

Simple 0 0 0

Launcher 0

Notice RTC (Real Time Collaboration) in the URL



JupyterLab interface showing the file browser on the left and the launcher in the center. The file browser displays a list of files and folders:

| Name | Last Modified |
|-----------|----------------|
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| lectures | 2 minutes ago |
| README.md | 7 minutes ago |

The launcher in the center offers options to create a new file or open an existing one. A blue arrow points from the **exercises** folder in the file browser to the **Notebook** icon in the launcher. A blue box contains the text:

Let's open exercises/1_gradient.ipynb

The right sidebar shows various panels: VARIABLES, CALLS..., BREAKPOINTS, SOURCE, and KERNEL SOURCES.



EXERCISE

- Follow the previous slides to open the `exercises/1_gradient.ipynb` notebook
- Compute the gradient of Ax for a random matrix, A , and vector, x
- Experiment with `tf.function`, `jit`, and running on the CPU/GPU
- Experiment with Jupyter's debugger

