



Using Neural Networks in Steady State Heat conduction in 2 - D

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Introduction and Theory

EQUATIONS : STEADY STATE EQUATION IN 2-D

Theory

Steady State Equation in 2-D

Heat Equation :

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} + \frac{\dot{e}_{gen}}{k} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Assuming 2-D:

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}} + \frac{\dot{e}_{gen}}{k} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

Steady State:

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}} + \frac{\dot{e}_{gen}}{k} = 0$$

Steady state implies with no heat generation :

Therefore, for no heat generation, in 2-D Steady State for which analytical solution is available in 2 dimensions is:

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}} = \frac{k}{\rho c_p} \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}} \right) = \frac{k}{\rho c_p} \nabla^2 T = c^2 \nabla^2 T$$

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Methods to solve complex partial Differential equations

Integration Techniques

- ❖ **Analytical methods** (not possible for functions except very simplified cases that rarely occur in nature)
- ❖ **Finite element method (FEM)**
- ❖ **Artificial Neural Network method (ANN)**

FEM AND ANN techniques were compared to weigh their advantages and disadvantages.

Comparison

COMPARISON OF NEURAL NETWORK AND FINITE ELEMENT METHOD

| Reference | FEM | ANN |
|--|---|--|
| <i>Solving PDE problems with uncertainty using neural-networks Yuehaw Khoo , Jianfeng Lu, Lexing Ying May 24, 2018</i> | Although being applicable in many situations, the computed quantity is inherently noisy due to approximation. | choosing a sufficiently large class of approximation functions without the issue of over-fitting remains a delicate business, |
| <i>Hermann G Matthies and Andreas Keese. Galerkin methods for linear and nonlinear elliptic stochastic partial differential equations. Computer methods in applied mechanics and engineering</i> | Monte-Carlo algorithm (based on FEM)' is on one hand the strength of this approach—its general applicability , but on the other hand it does not take into account any special properties of the problem. Galerkin method' statistics like the mean, covariance, or probabilities are very cheap. | |

| Reference | FEM | ANN |
|---|--|--|
| ,A. G. Baydin, B. A. Pearlmutter, A. A. Radul, and J. M. Siskind, <i>Automatic differentiation in machine learning: a survey</i> , <i>The Journal of Machine Learning</i> | To mitigate approximation errors in numerical differentiation, use a center difference approximation to correct error. With increasing dimensionality, a trade-off between accuracy and performance is faced. | (Automatic differentiation) allows accurate evaluation of derivatives at machine precision with only a small constant factor of overhead and ideal asymptotic efficiency. It has a two-sided nature that is partly symbolic and partly numerical. (Griewank, 2003) |
| <i>Deepxde: A Deep Learning Library For Solving Differential Equations</i> Lu Lu, Xuhui Meng, Zhiping Mao, And George Em Karniadakis | Requires a mesh to compute with dependence on the mesh shape for error/nature of result. | ‘deep learning could be a mesh-free approach by taking advantage of the automatic differentiation and could break the curse of dimensionality.’ |
| FEM | | ANN |
| Numerical approximations of derivatives are inherently ill-conditioned and unstable, with the exception of complex variable methods that are applicable to a limited set of holomorphic functions . (C. C. Margossian, <i>A review of automatic differentiation and its efficient implementation</i> , (2019), | | It has accurate application in higher order PDE. In certain cases, AD libraries are implemented as black boxes which support statistical and machine learning softwares, such as the python package PyTorch (Paszke et al., 2017) or the probabilistic programming language Stan (Carpenter et al., 2017). |

Summary

| FEM | ANN |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General applicability,• Computed quantity is inherently noisy• Galerkin method: statistics like the mean, covariance, or probabilities are very cheap.• dependence on the mesh shape• Applicable to a limited set of holomorphic functions.• During correction, trade-off between accuracy and performance. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial extensive computation process.• issue of over-fitting• Accurate evaluation of derivatives ,only a small constant factor of overhead• mesh-free approach• accurate application in higher order• AD libraries are implemented as black boxes• No correction terms required(self correcting algorithm) |

Problem Statement


Types of Boundary Conditions

Boundary Condition of 1st kind – Dirichlet conditions

Constant surface temperature is specified at the boundary surface

i.e $T = T(x, \tau)$

$$T(x, \tau) = \text{Constant value}$$




$$T_{(0, \tau)} = T_1 \quad T_{(L, \tau)} = T_2$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = L$$

Boundary Condition of 2nd kind – Neumann conditions

Constant surface heat flux is specified at the boundary surface



$$\frac{q_x}{A_{cs}} = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=0}$$

$$\frac{q_x}{A_{cs}} = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=L}$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = L$$

Finite heat flux


$$\frac{q_x}{A_{cs}} = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_x$$

Adiabatic or Insulated surface

$$\frac{q_x}{A_{cs}} = 0 = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_x$$

Boundary Condition of 3rd kind – Robin or Mixed conditions

Convective heat transfer condition is specified at the boundary surface



$$h (T_{x=L} - T_\infty) = -k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right|_{x=L}$$

$$x = 0 \quad x = L$$

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Problem statement

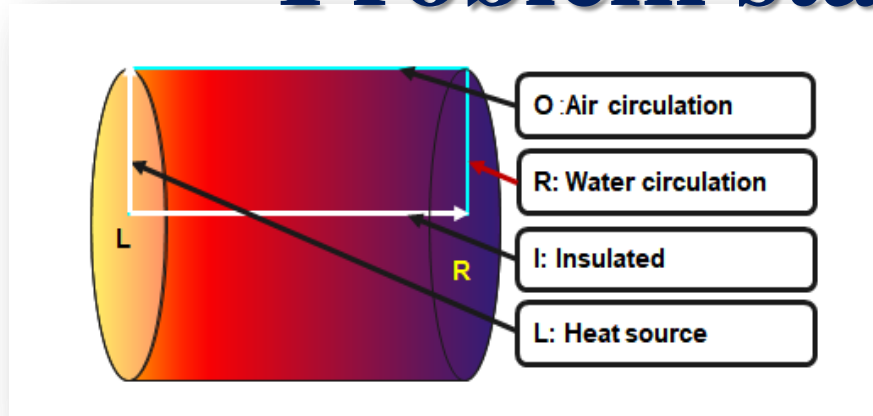


Figure 1: Fixed external boundaries temperature indicative heat color map.

The **Direchlet boundary condition** requirement on the temperature function $\psi(x,y)$ is given for all four edges. The steady values are based off realistic imaginary setup considering convection calculations .

- **L:Left wall** is insulated with constant heat flux
- **R:Right wall** has a constant coolant circulation
- **I:Inner wall** is insulated (because it simulated the inner radial space
- **O:Outer wall** is exposed to the environment.

$$\text{(left)} \Psi(r)=100 \quad \text{at } x=0$$

$$\text{(right)} \Psi(r)=20 \quad \text{at } x=2 \text{ units (length)}$$

$$\text{(bottom)} \Psi(x)=100 \quad \text{at } r=0$$

$$\text{(top)} \Psi(x)=40 \quad \text{at } r=1 \text{ unit (radius)}$$

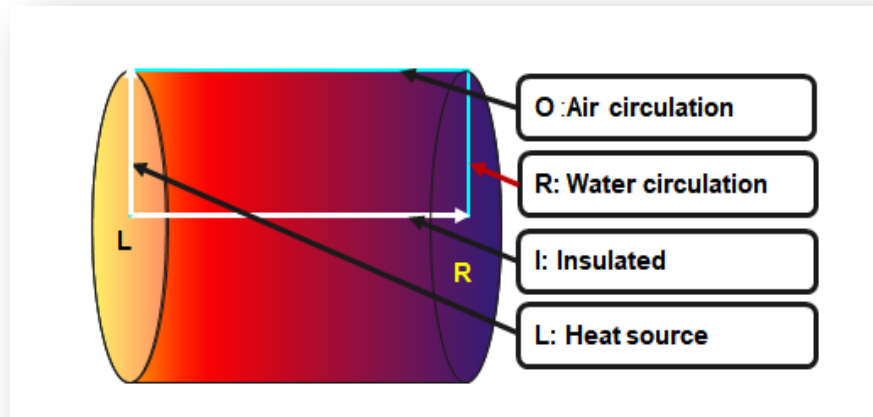
Heat Generation term

Constant heat generation at source up till 0.1 per cent of distance.

$$\frac{\dot{e}_{\text{gen}}}{k} = 100 \quad x < 0.1 \times \text{length}$$
$$= 0 \quad x \geq 0.1 \times \text{length}$$

Assuming cylindrical system that is symmetric about the tangential projection (azimuthal) at a fixed radial distance (r) and fixed length (x) from the constant heat source surface (L).

The heat equation solutions are closely holomorphic (infinitely differentiable everywhere in a given domain) ([Numerical study on uniformity of temperature difference field in a spiral tube heat exchanger 2021](#), [Hechang Caia,b,1, Yuling Zhaib,c,1, Yao Chend,*](#), [Fanhan Liue,*](#), [Hua Wangb,c](#), [Jianxin Xu](#))



Machine Learning Model

Machine Learning Model

One model was made for FEM

Two training models were made for ANN

a) Model size 1[2:32:32:1]

b) Model size 2:[2:16:16:1]

- **Optimizer Function**

The optimizer used is Adaptive Moment Estimation (Adam) optimiser. Adam uses Momentum and Adaptive Learning Rates to converge faster. The intuition for adaptive learning rates, is that we start off with big steps and finish with small steps – like mini-golf. We are then allowed to move faster initially. As the learning rate decays, we take smaller and smaller steps, allowing us to converge faster, since we don't overstep the local minimum with equally large steps.

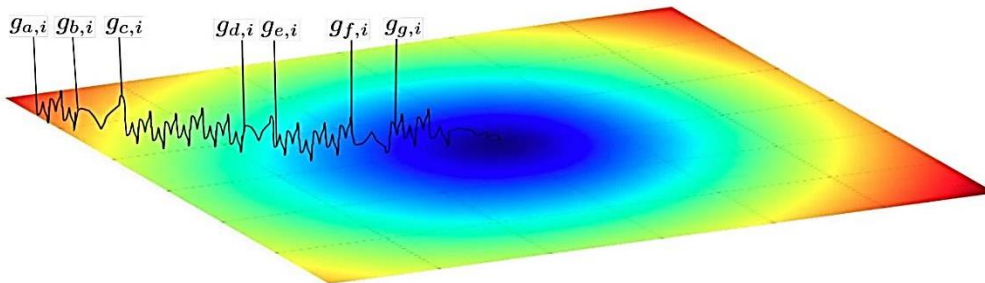


Figure 3: Intuition for Adams optimizer
([source:https://forums.fast.ai/](https://forums.fast.ai/))

Machine Learning Model

- **Differential equation (r is denoted as y in the model)**

Constant heat generation at source up till 0.1 per cent of distance x(energy array).

Laplace is sum of arrays dTdy and dTdx (double derivatives of T with r and x) .

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##differential equation diffeq##  
diffeq = array(dTdy) + array(dTdx) + array(energy.reshape([divs*divs,1]))
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- **Loss Function**

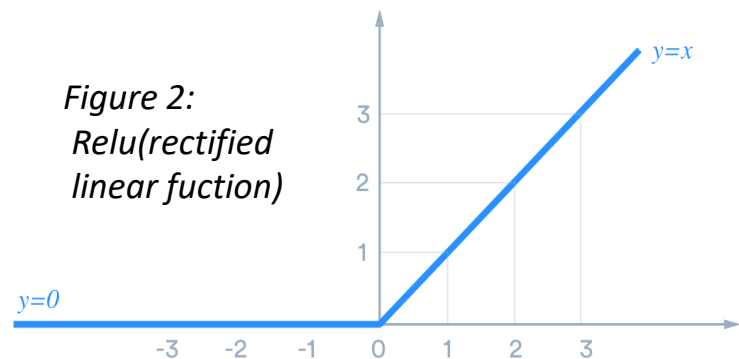
The loss is sum of mean(diffeq) and boundary conditions.

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loss = mean + boundry2(T.reshape([divs,divs]))
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- **Activation Function**

It defines the output of each neuron.

The activation function used is a relu function (rectified linear unit) ,normalized to values between 0 and 1 for optimizer.

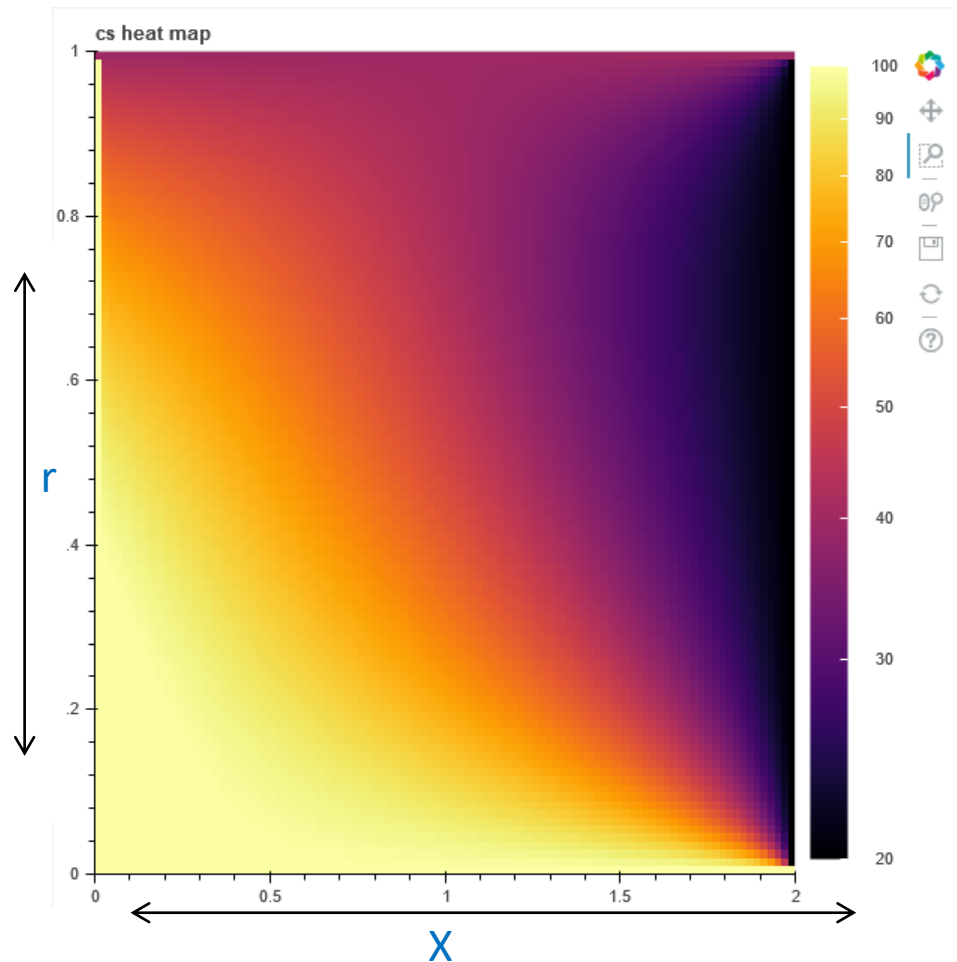
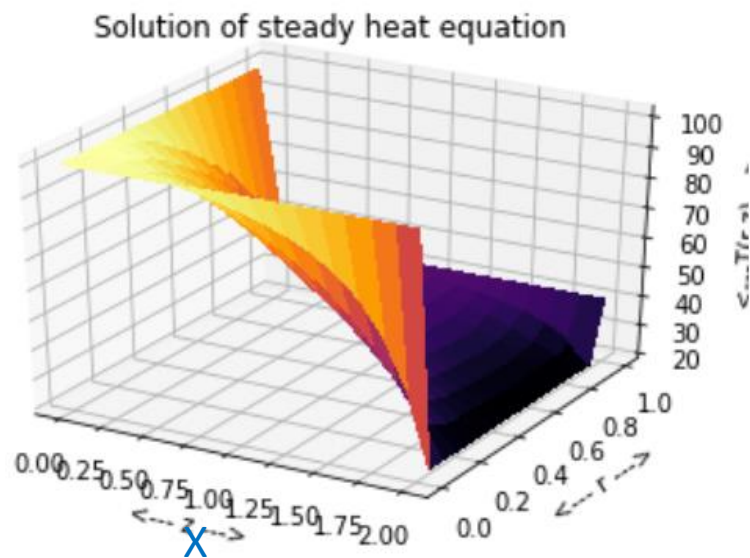


Results

FEM

Results

Figure 4:
FEM
Mesh size= 101x101



ANN Results

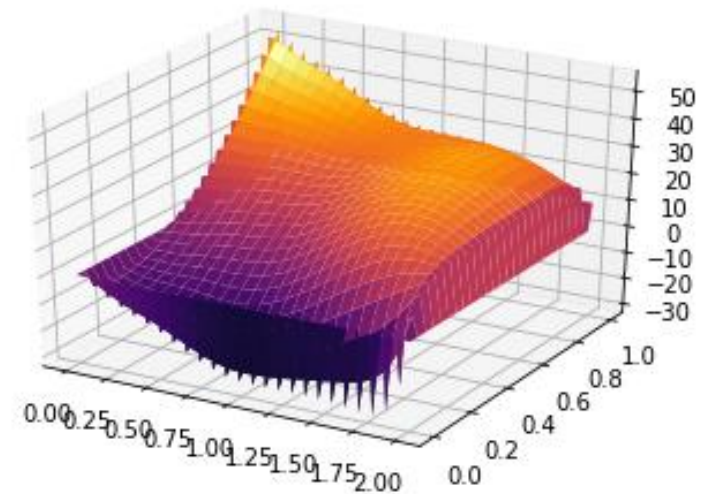
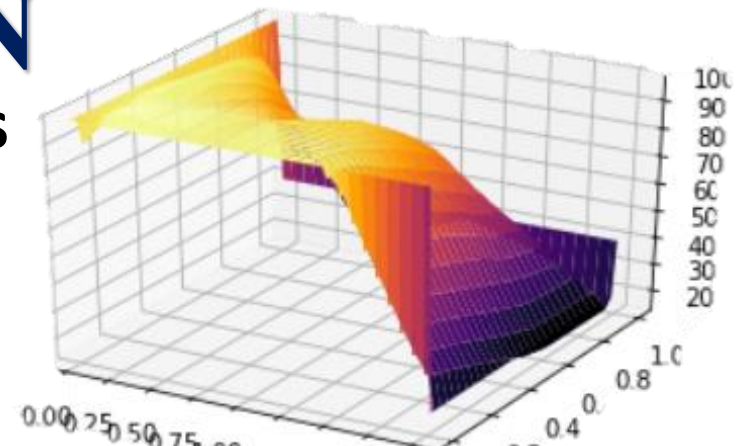
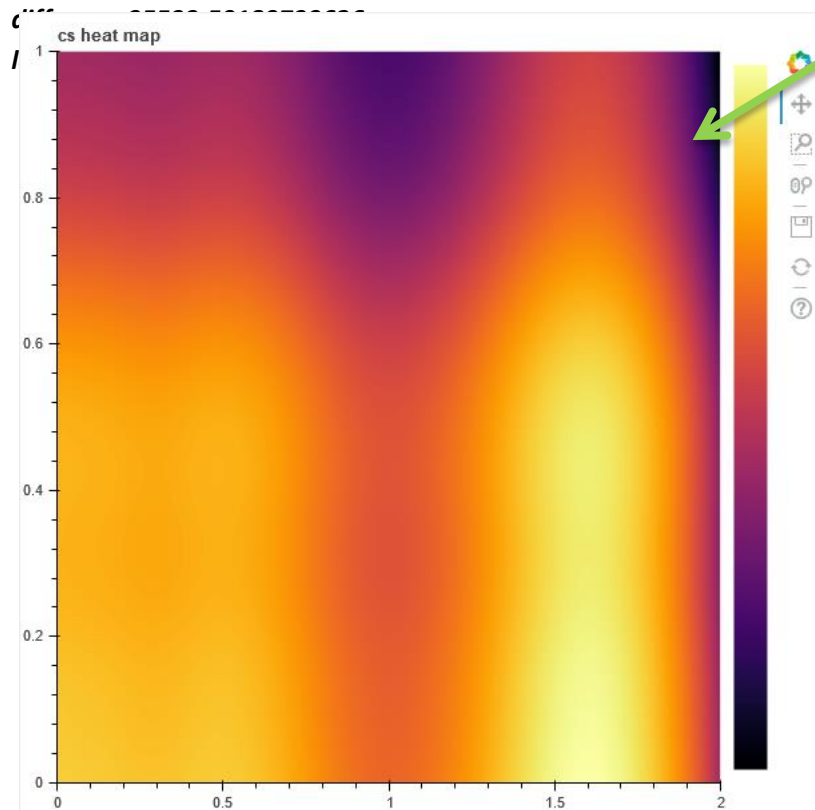
Figure 5:

Grid plot using ANN

model:

Network size = [2,16,16,1]

Mesh size= 600x600



Difference matrix between FEM and ANN[2:16:16:1] :

mean difference=19.578

ANN (bigger network)

Figure 6:

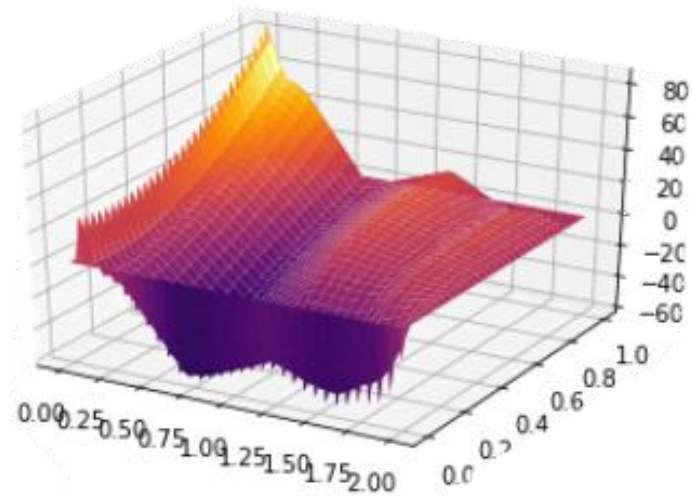
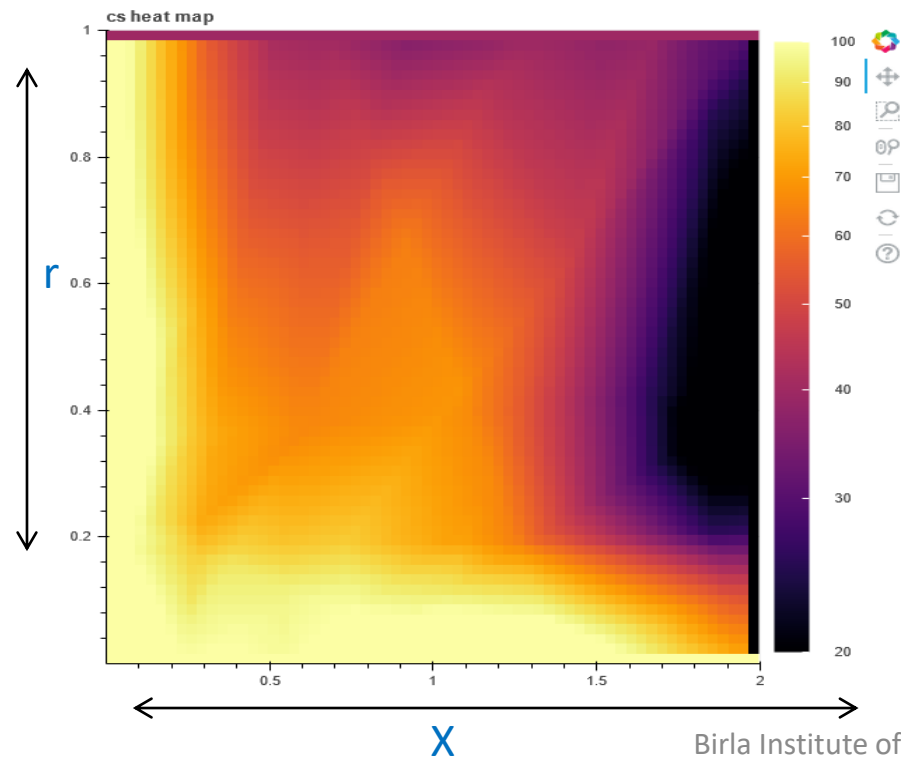
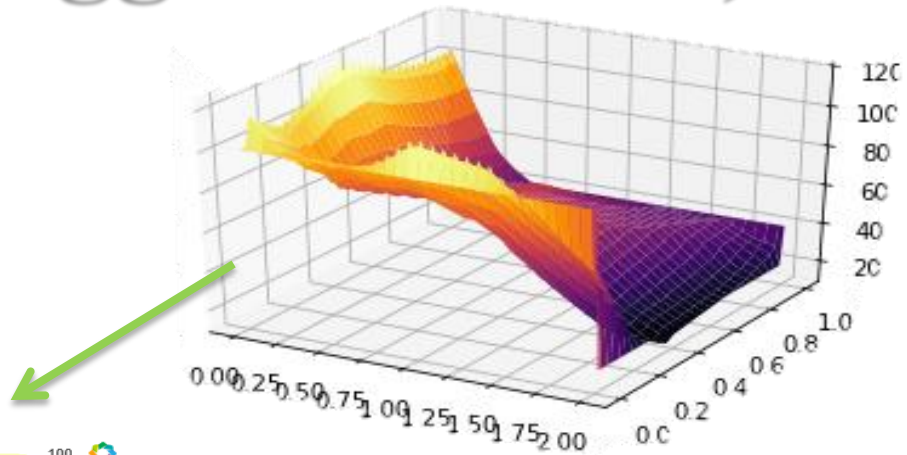
Grid plot using ANN model:

Network size = [2,32,32,1]

Mesh size= 64x64

diff. eq.= 3533.50189739626

loss = 310028.65328



Difference matrix between FEM and ANN [2:32:32:1]:

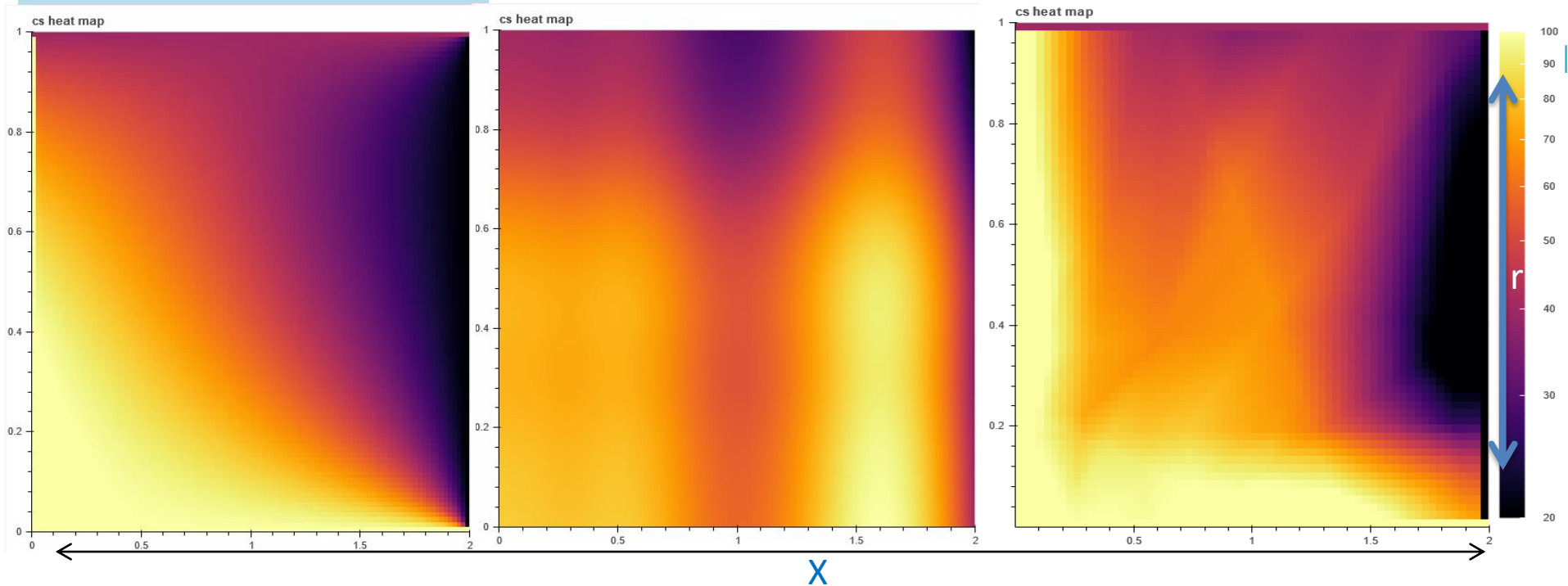
mean difference=12.566

Heat Map

FEM

linear model [2:16:16:1]
loss =1310828.6695304194

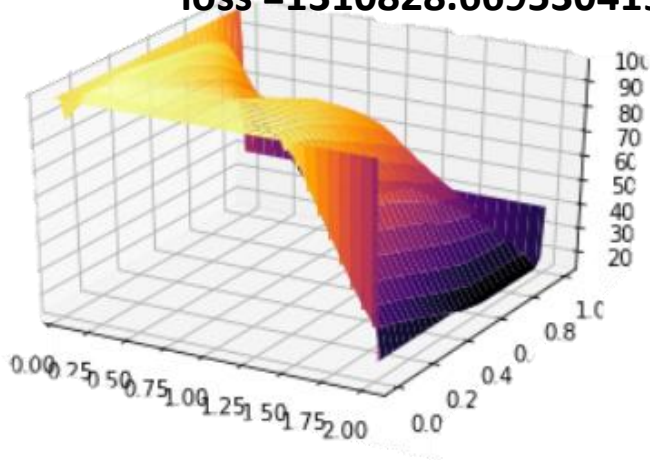
2D array model[2:32:32:1]
Loss= 47397.776049021086



Chronology of model

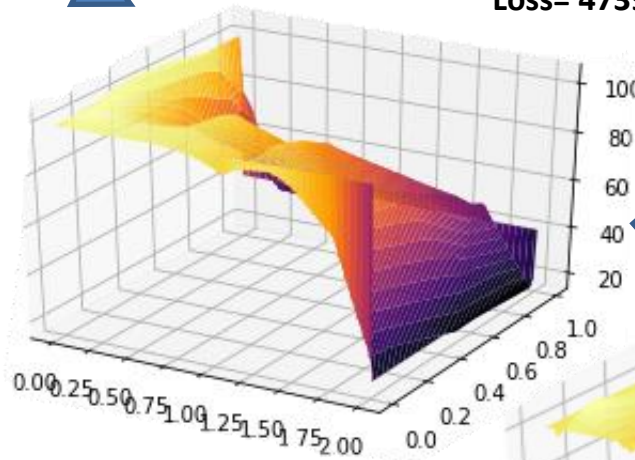
linear model

loss = 1310828.6695304194



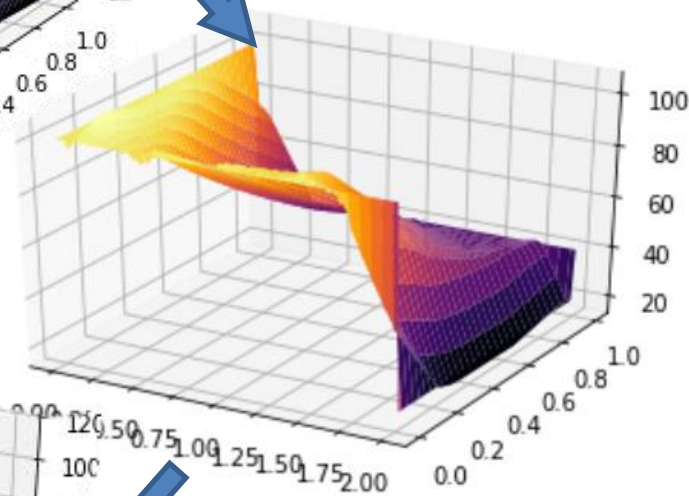
2D array model

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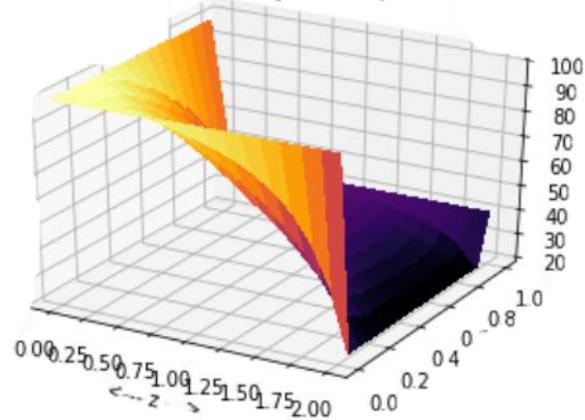
2D array model

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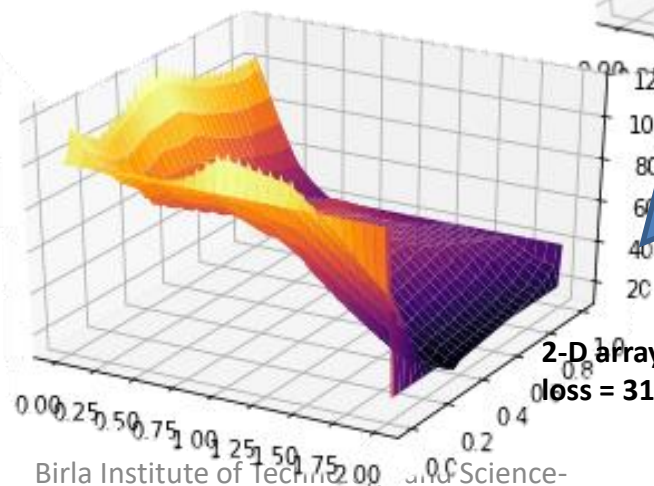
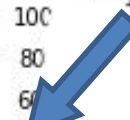
FEM

Solution of steady heat equation



2-D array after more training

loss = 310028.65328



RESULT ANALYSIS

MATHEMATICAL VALIDITY

- A. Based on the Partial Differential equation, at the top left corner the FEM model misses the continuity and appears to be quickly reducing at the source. Figure 7(a) :
- B. The ANN overestimates the results at side centres on the insulated and source side Figure 7(b) It also causes an irregular noise at the (2,0)point.

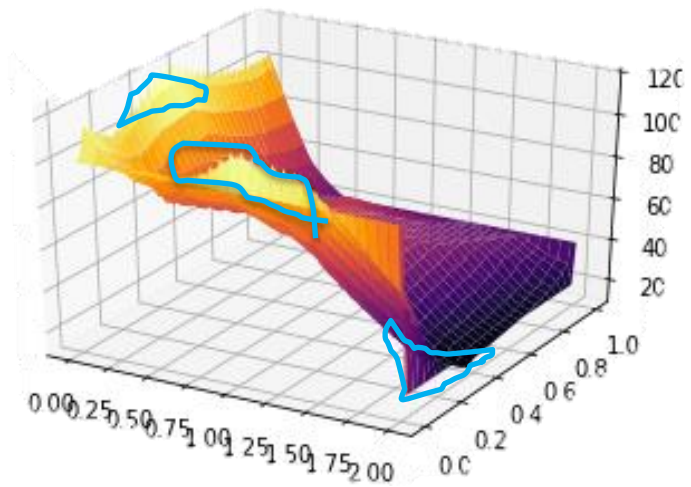
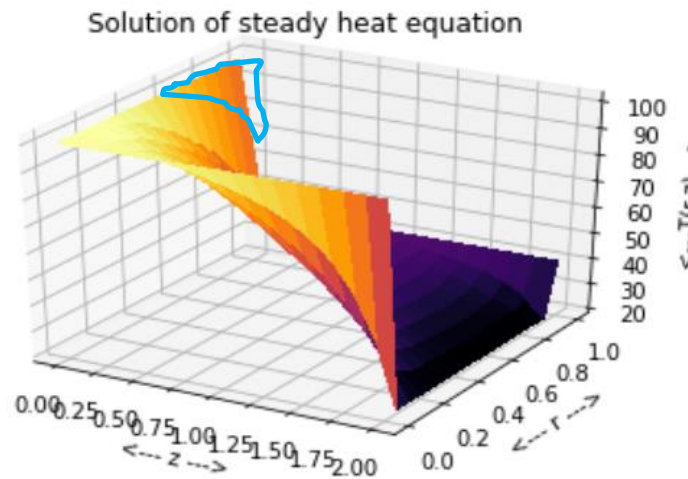


Figure 7:a)FEM inaccuracy b)ANN inaccuracy marked by blue marks.

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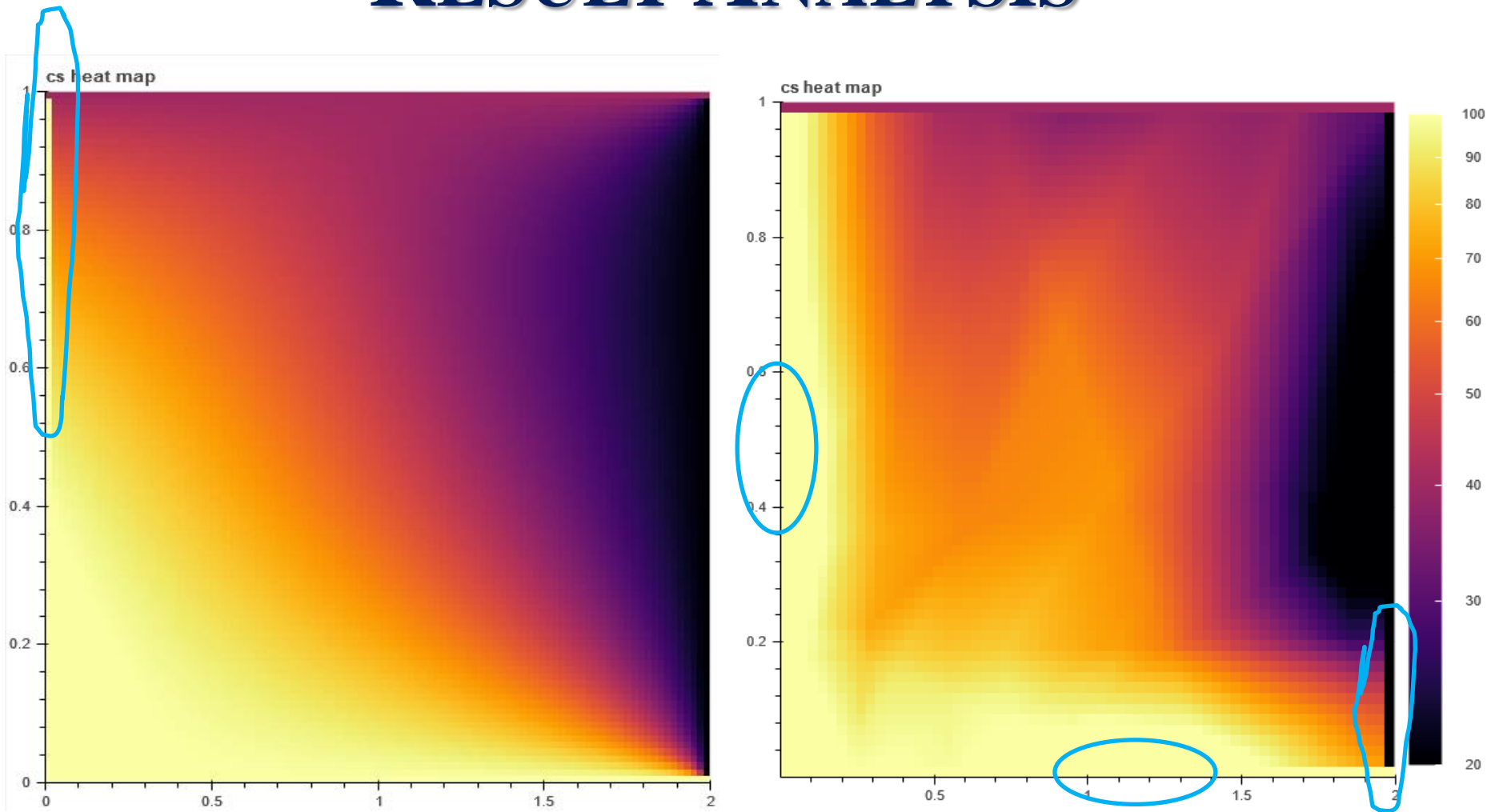


Figure 8: a) FEM inaccuracy b) ANN inaccuracy marked by blue marks.

*Note the grainy nature in ANN occurs because the mesh size is 64×64 compared to 601×601 for FEM.

CONCLUSION

FEM and ANN, both numerical techniques are potential candidates for likely temperature distribution. Analysing error, one can easily visualise the areas of problem.

The application for both methods is suitable in this heat conduction equation solving with different advantages. The mess-free ness of the trained weights allow s several grid dimensions to be able to adapt to the equation and generate point solutions with minimal error. However the initial processing time for the FEM and flexibility in choosing dimensions (symmetrical along each dimension) make it suitable for lower complexity heat generation function. For more complex heat generation function the ANN model becomes cheaper and give less approximate error according to above study. These conclusions validate and support claims that ANN is an accurate and precise alternative to FEM.

The error for moderate training indicate for ANN model strictly follows boundary condition with less approximation error than visible in FEM model. However, local regions of abnormal gradients and non-linearly that are impractical also occur in the central region of the plot that cannot be justified theoretically.

While the errors in FEM model are inherent and can be reduced at the cost of memory and time taken t process in each run. The errors have a scope for improvement in ANN with parameter optimisation experimenting with different model sizes and activation functions. For more complex shapes used in solvers like Ansys the intricate shapes can be application for ANN with lower long run cost.

Appendix

Link to final code :

<https://github.com/somyaup/2-D-steady-state>

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