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%autosave 0
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Chapter 15-16: PDEs Solvers Using Neural Network Methods

PDE study considered from the viewpoint of neural networks. Many PDEs describe the evolution of a spatially distributed system over time. The state of such a system is defined by a value $v(x, t)$ that depends on a spatial variable x that is usually a vector and on time t. The value itself can be a vector as well.

"Learning samples" can consist of discrete values of the initial condition $v_{i,0}(x_{i,0})$ and values $v_{ij}(x_i, t_j)$ at later times. The initial values are presented to the network as inputs. The outputs of the (recurrent) network at later times t_j are then compared with the sample values to calculate the error.

Since PDEs are often spatially homogeneous, it makes sense to use recurrent convolutional networks here. This is the same type that is often used in image processing.

The size of the convolutional kernel depends on the degree of spatial derivatives in the PDE:

The network needs to have at least one layer for each component of the value v. Additional hidden layers might be required, especially if the PDE has higher temporal derivatives.

The example in the cell below was taken from the Github repository, <MatthewFilipovich / neural-network-pde-solver> . Besides this 1D heat equation example, examples for 2D heat and 1D wave are also contained there. Neural network PDE solving is a very active area, with lots of participants, and new solvers are coming out at a fast pace.

In this particular example, Mr. Filipovich has elected to show plots from new and older methods for comparison. (The 2nd plot shows a straight line, but if you look closely at the 5th plot, which is its companion, you will see that its line is not quite straight.)

The nengo_pde module is not hosted on Pypi, and cannot be installed by pip. But due to the presence of the *_init_*.py file in the module folder, placing the folder in the Jupyter home directory allows the nengo_pde module to be imported without difficulty into a Jupyter cell. (It is, however, necessary to install the nengo module from Pypi.)

In [14]:
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"""Module solves heat equation in 1D using finite difference method and nengo_pde."""
from nengo_pde import Solver1D
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%config InlineBackend.figure_formats = ['svg']


def feedback_connection(u):
    return - (K/dx**2) * 2*u


def lateral_connection(u):
    return K/dx**2 * u


# Nengo simulation
t_steps = 80  # Number of time steps
x_steps = 8  # Number of x steps
neurons = 500  # Number of neurons
radius = 100  # Radius of neurons
boundaries = [-50, 50]  # Constant boundary conditions
solver = Solver1D(feedback_connection, lateral_connection)

# Grid properties
K = 4.2
x_len = 20  # mm
dx = x_len/x_steps
dt = dx**2/(2*K**2)  # dt chosen for stability

# Run finite difference method simulation
solver.run_FDM_order1(dt, t_steps, x_steps, boundaries)
fig, ax = solver.plot_population(dt, False)
ax.set_xlabel('Time (s)')
ax.set_ylabel('Temperature ($^{\circ}$C)')
plt.show()
fig, ax = solver.plot_grid(t_steps, False)
ax.set_xlabel('Time (s)')
ax.set_ylabel('Temperature ($^{\circ}$C)')
plt.show()
solver.animate(nframes=t_steps)

# Run nengo_pde simulation
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42 solver.run_nengo_order1(dt, t_steps, x_steps, boundaries, neurons, radius)
43 fig, ax = solver.plot_population(0.001, False)
44 ax.set_xlabel('Time (s)')
45 ax.set_ylabel('Temperature ($^{\circ}$C)')
46 plt.show()
47 fig, ax = solver.plot_grid(t_steps, False)
48 ax.set_xlabel('Time (s)')
49 ax.set_ylabel('Temperature ($^{\circ}$C)')
50 plt.show()
51 solver.animate(nframes=t_steps)
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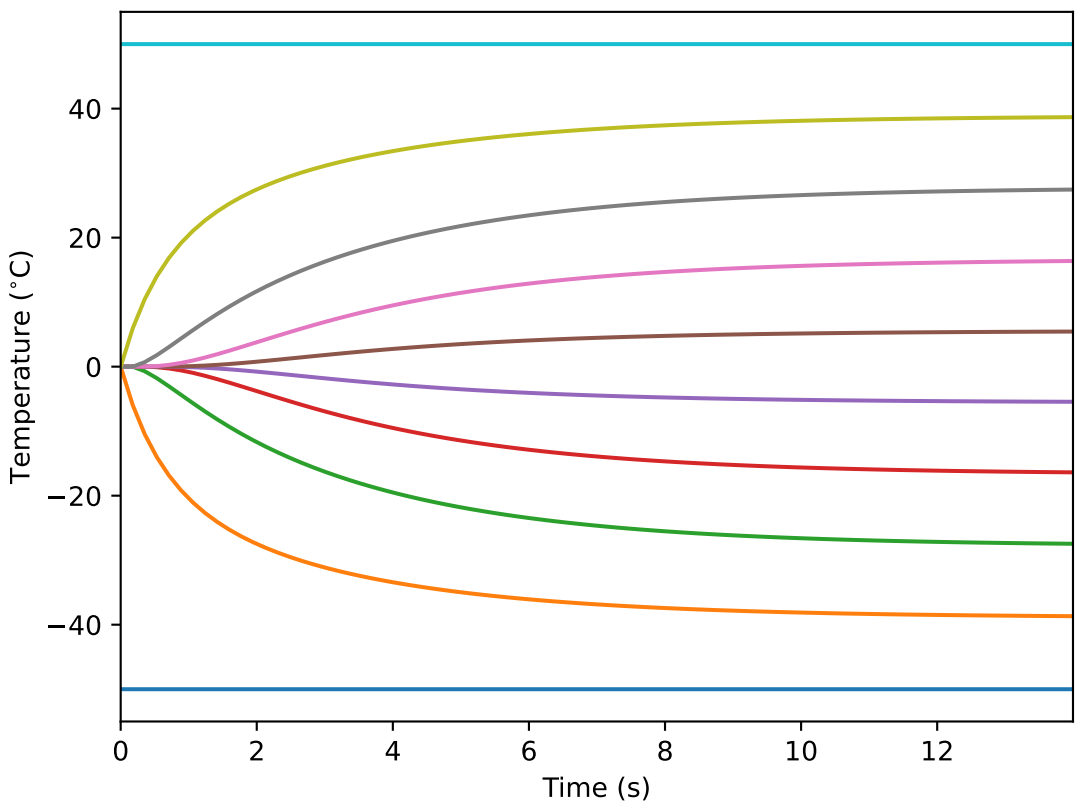

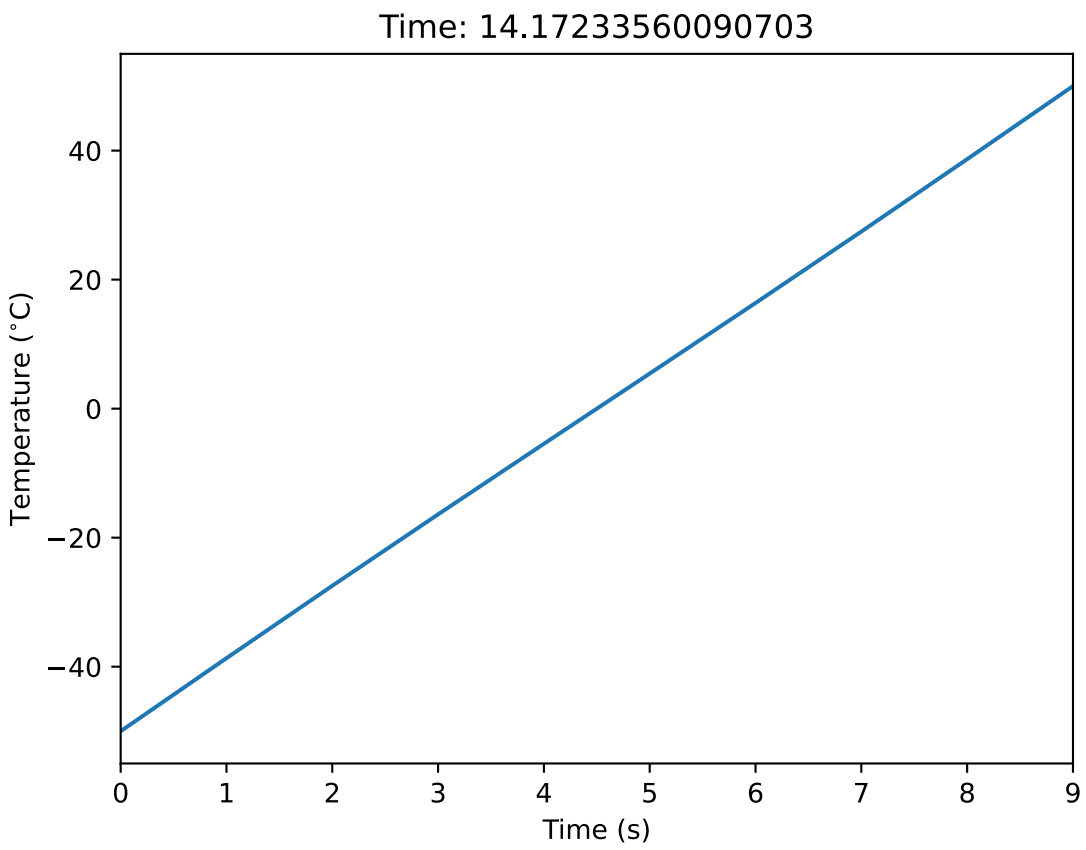

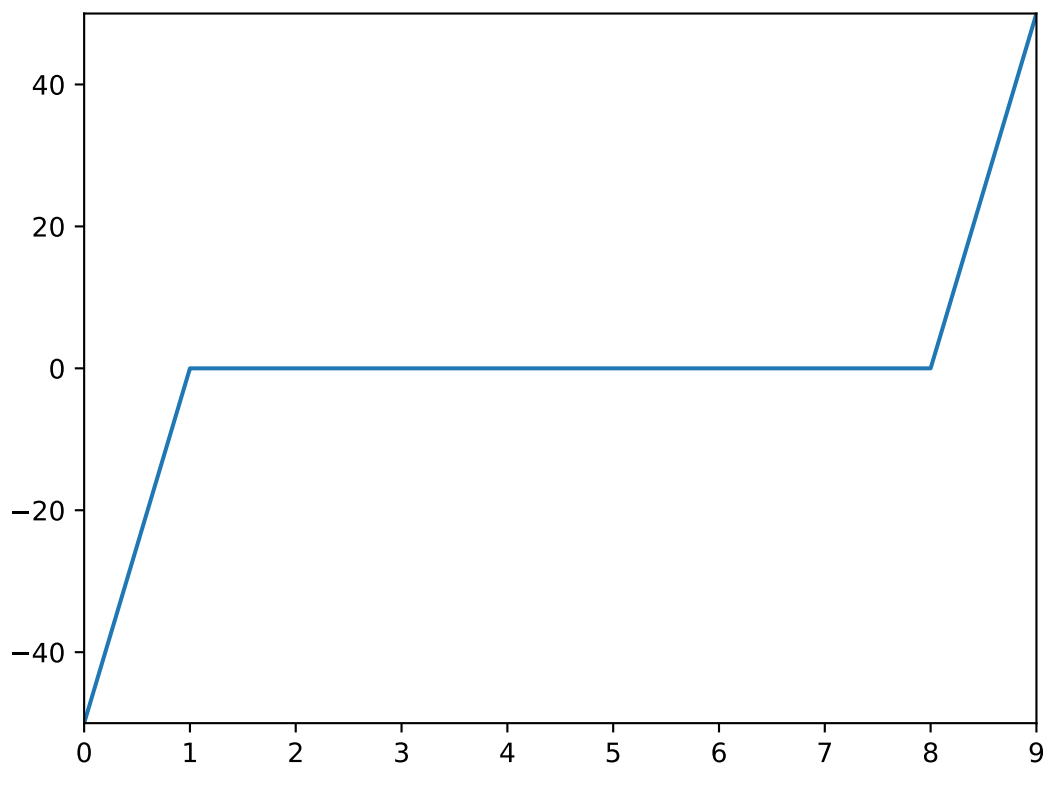

HMTL progress bar requires Jupyter Notebook >= 5.0 or Jupyter Lab. Alternatively, you can use TerminalProgressBar().

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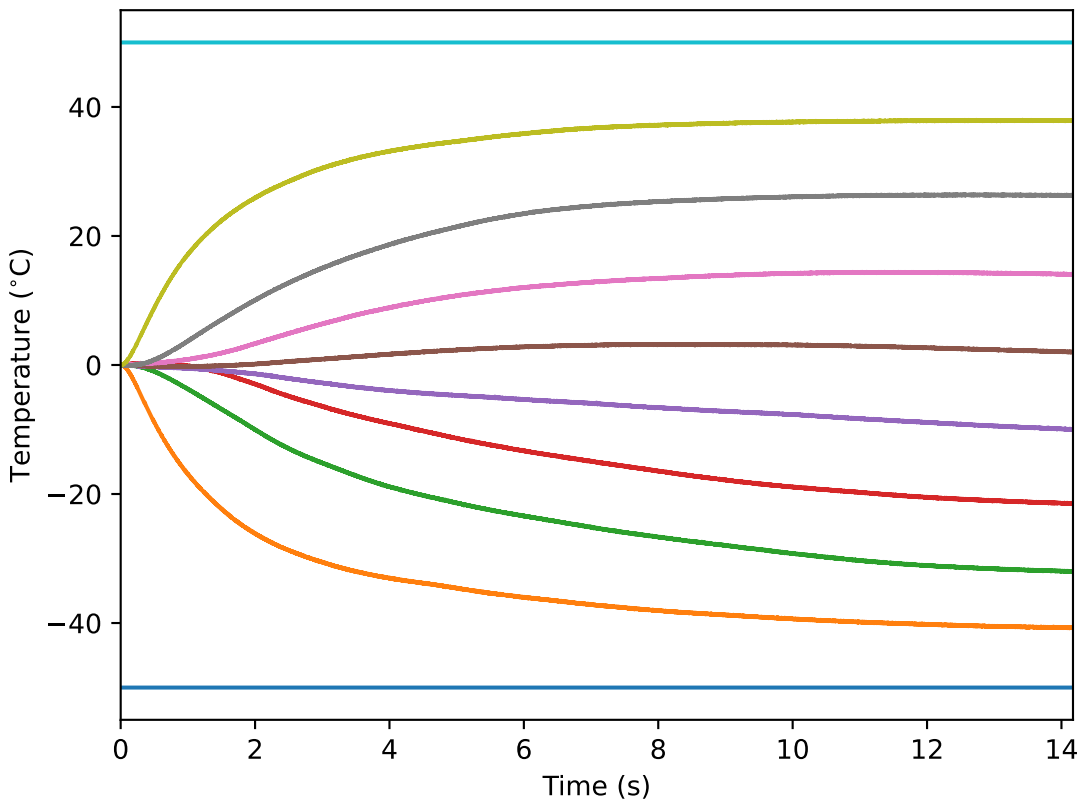

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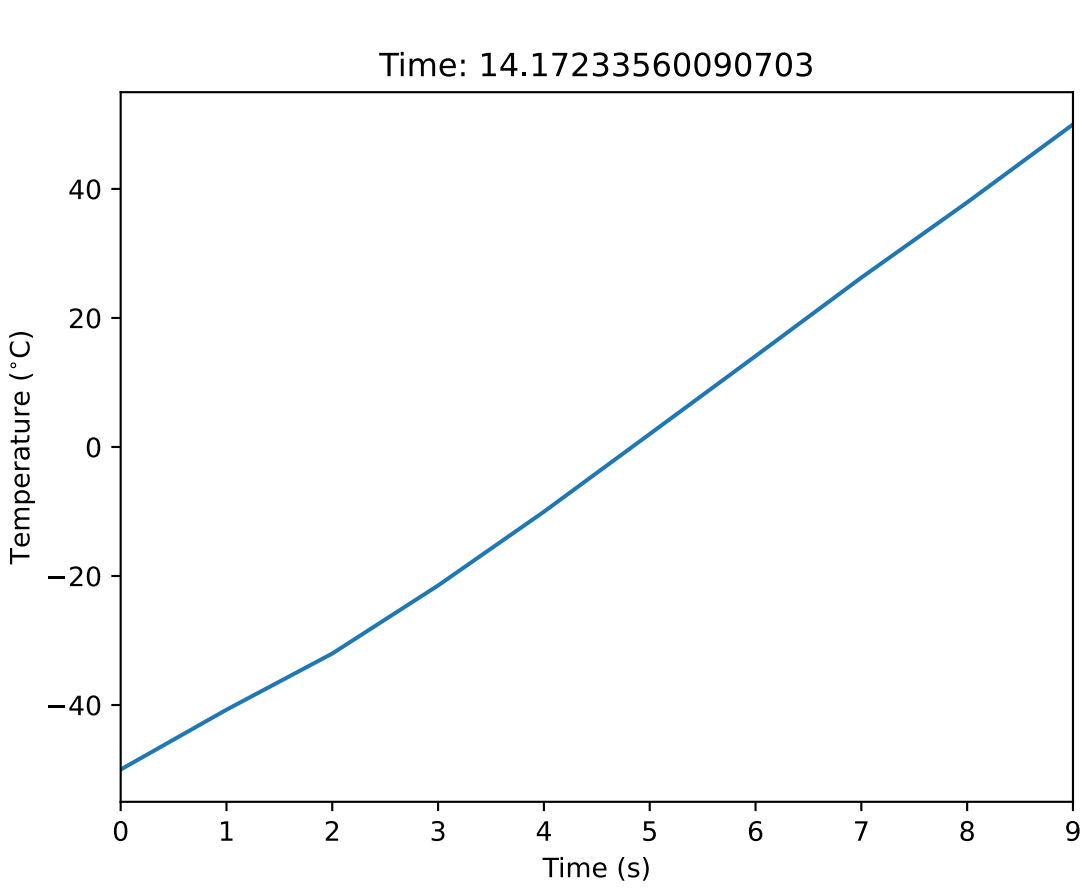

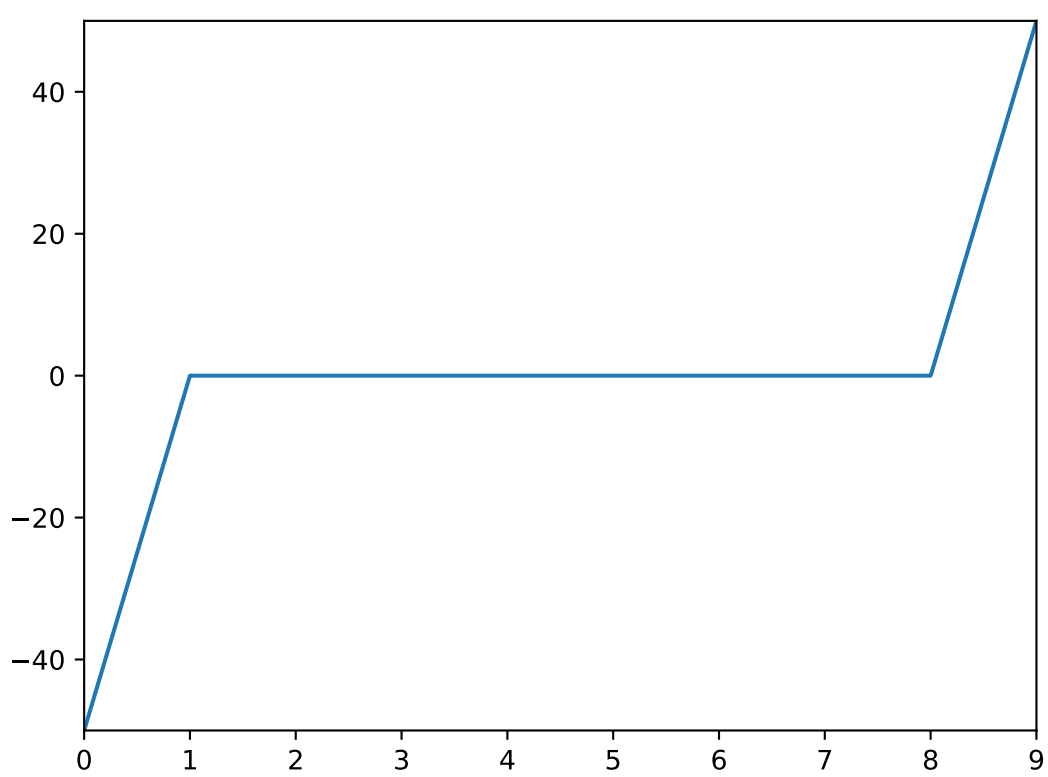

Out[14]: <matplotlib.animation.FuncAnimation at 0x25558739d60>

There is an interesting paper with the title: *Variational Monte Carlo Approach to Partial Differential Equations with Neural Networks*, available on the arXiv eprint site under the name arXiv:2206.01927v2. (Because it deals with both Monte Carlo as well as Neural Networks, the work could be referred to either of two of these pde notebooks.) The Github repository for the project is RehMoritz/vmc_pde.

(Although the arXiv site copy of the paper has perfect text, two of the figures are mangled. To view the undamaged article, look at [(https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/2632-2153/aca317/pdf)]

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Following are instructions for getting a Jupyter notebook working to show the example study from the repository, if the platform is Windows.

1. From the site: [(https://whls.blob.core.windows.net/unstable/index.html)] (https://whls.blob.core.windows.net/unstable/index.html)%5D) download one of the following versions of Jaxlib,
   cpu/jaxlib-0.1.75-cp37-none-win_amd64.whl
   cpu/jaxlib-0.1.75-cp38-none-win_amd64.whl
   cpu/jaxlib-0.1.75-cp39-none-win_amd64.whl
   the choice depending on whether Python 3.7, 3.8, or 3.9 is available for use. Place the downloaded file in the Jupyter working directory.
2. Install the jaxlib file, from within Jupyter, with the command !pip3 install jaxlib-0.1.75-cp39-none-win_amd64.whl.
3. Install the module flax, from within Jupyter, with the command !pip3 install flax==0.3.6.
4. If a version of jax is installed, uninstall it or delete the site-package.
5. If action was taken in 4. above, a kernel restart is probably called for.
6. Install the module jax, from within Jupyter, with the command !pip3 install jax==0.2.18. Pip should do the install in spite of a slight disagreement concerning dependencies.
7. Download the zipped version of the repository and extract it, resulting in vmc_pde-main. From the subdirectory 'vmc_fluids', find 13 local modules (excluding 'main.py'). Copy these modules to the working directory of Jupyter.
8. Open the file main.py in Idle or wherever, then copy it to a Jupyter cell. The file should run, producing extensive printed data and seven time-sequence plots. The main program is shown below, but not run here. Instead, three of the plots are shown below it.

In [ ]:

```
import jax
jax.config.update("jax_enable_x64", True)
import jax.numpy as jnp
import flax.linen as nn
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%config InlineBackend.figure_formats = ['svg']
import os
import time

import global_defs
import var_state
import sampler
import net
import grid
import train
import evolutionEq
import tdvp
import stepper
import visualization
import mpi_wrapper
import util


def norm_fun(v, S):
    # norm_fun for the timesteps
    return v @ S @ v


# Initializing the net
initKey = 1
sampleKey = 1

mode_dict = {"fluidpaper": {"offset": jnp.ones(2) * 0.25, "dim": 2, "latent_space_name": "cos_dis
             "harmonicOsc": {"offset": jnp.ones(2) * 1, "dim": 2, "latent_space_name": "Gauss", "
             "harmonicOsc_diff": {"offset": jnp.array([1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0]) * 1, "dim": 6, "latent_
             "diffusion": {"offset": jnp.zeros(8), "dim": 8, "latent_space_name": "Student_t", "m
             "diffusion_anisotropic": {"offset": jnp.zeros(12), "dim": 12, "latent_space_name": "
             "mwe": {"offset": jnp.zeros(2), "dim": 2, "latent_space_name": "Gauss", "mcmcbound":
mode = "harmonicOsc_diff"
mode = "diffusion"
mode = "mwe"

"""
List of things that have to be set manually before starting a run:
- parameter nu of the student - t in BOTH (!!) sampler.py and net.py - starts with nu=2 atm.
- network specifications, whether to use both s and t, etc.
    - Diffusion: noAdd
    - harmonicOsc: DifferentAdd
- timestep:
    - Diffusion: dt = 1e-7, fixed, with increasing step size, factor:, maxStep:
    - harmonicOsc: dt=1e-4, fixed, with increasing step size, factor: 1.3, maxStep: 1e-2
- blocks:
    - Diffusion:: 4, intmediate (dim//2)
    - harmonicOsc: 4, intmediate (dim // 2)
- latent space covariance matrix:
    - Diffusion: np.eye(..) + A @ A.T
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    - harmonicOsc: L @ L.T
"""

dim = mode_dict[mode]["dim"]
offset = mode_dict[mode]["offset"]
mcmcbound = mode_dict[mode]["mcmcbound"]
gridbound = mode_dict[mode]["gridbound"]
symgrid = mode_dict[mode]["symgrid"]
latent_space_name = mode_dict[mode]["latent_space_name"]
evolution_type = mode_dict[mode]["evolution_type"]

# set up sampler
sampler = sampler.Sampler(dim=dim, numChains=30, name=latent_space_name, mcmc_info={"offset": off

# set up variational state
print("Identifier -3")
vState = var_state.VarState(sampler, dim, initKey, 4, network_args={"intmediate": (dim // 2,) * 1
print(f"Number of Model parameters: {vState.numParameters}")


# Some (old) sanity checks - can be removed
mynet = {"net": vState.net, "params": vState.params}
x_real = jnp.ones(dim)
print(mynet["params"])
z_latent, _ = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], x_real, evaluate=False, inv=False)
x_real, _ = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], z_latent, evaluate=False, inv=True)
print(z_latent)
print(x_real)

x_real = - jnp.ones(dim)
z_latent, jac = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], x_real, evaluate=False, inv=False)
x_real, jac_inv = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], z_latent, evaluate=False, inv=True)
print(z_latent)
print(x_real)

x_real = jnp.zeros(dim)
z_latent, jac = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], x_real, evaluate=False, inv=False)
x_real, jac_inv = mynet["net"].apply(mynet["params"], z_latent, evaluate=False, inv=True)
print(z_latent)
print(x_real)


# Initializing the grid
if dim == 2:
    bounds = np.ones((dim,)) * gridbound
    n_gridpoints = 200
    grid = grid.Grid(bounds, n_gridpoints, sym=symgrid)
    integral = vState.integrate(grid)
    print("Integral value:", integral)

# time evolution
dt = 1e-7
tol = 1e-2
maxStep = 1e-2
comp_integrals = False
# myStepper = stepper.AdaptiveHeun(timeStep=dt, tol=tol, maxStep=maxStep)
myStepper = stepper.FixedStepper(timeStep=dt, mode='Heun', maxStep=maxStep, increase_fac=1.3)
tdvpEq = tdvp.TDVP()
timings = util.Timings()
evolutionEq = evolutionEq.EvolutionEquation(dim=dim, name=evolution_type)
nSamplesTDVP = 10000
nSamplesObs = 10000

# data to learn a specific state
# std_dev = 1
# size = (1, 1000, dim)
# mode = "standard_normal"
# data, target_fun = train.gen_data(size, mode=mode, std=std_dev)
# net = train.train(vState, data, grid, lr=1e-3, batchsize=100, target_fun=target_fun, epoches=20

wdir = "output/" + mode + f"/NsamplesTDVP{nSamplesTDVP}_NsamplesObs{nSamplesObs}_T10/"
wdir = "output/" + mode + f"/NsamplesTDVP{nSamplesTDVP}_NsamplesObs{nSamplesObs}/"
wdir = "output/" + mode + f"/NsamplesTDVP{nSamplesTDVP}_NsamplesObs{nSamplesObs}_Tdifferent/"
wdir = "output/" + mode + f"/test_NsamplesTDVP{nSamplesTDVP}_NsamplesObs{nSamplesObs}_maxStep{max
if mpi_wrapper.rank == 0:
    try:
        os.makedirs(wdir)
    except OSError:
        print("Creation of the directory %s failed" % wdir)
    else:
        print("Successfully created the directory %s " % wdir)

t = 0
t_end = 5
plot_every = 1e0

if dim == 2:
    # visualization.plot_vectorfield(grid, evolutionEq)
    # plt.savefig(wdir + 'vectorfield.pdf')
    # plt.show()
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148
149     visualization.plot(vState, grid, proj=False)
150     plt.savefig(wdir + f't_{t:.3f}.pdf')
151     plt.show()
152
153     # states = vState.sample(2000000)
154     # visualization.plot_data(states, grid, title='Samples')
155     # plt.show()
156
157
158 infos = {"times": [], "ev": [], "snr": [], "solver_res": [], "tdvp_error": [], "dist_params": []}
159 n_list = []
160 while t < t_end + dt:
161     t1 = time.perf_counter()
162     dp, dt, info = myStepper.step(0, tdvpEq, vState.get_parameters(), evolutionEq=evolutionEq, ps
163     vState.set_parameters(dp)
164     infos["times"].append(t)
165
166     print(f"t = {t:.3f}, dt = {dt:e}")
167     print("\t Timings:")
168     timings.print_timings()
169     print(f"\t Total (in main.py): {time.perf_counter() - t1}")
170
171     print("\t Data:")
172     print(f"\t > Solver Residual = {tdvpEq.solverResidual}")
173     print(f"\t > TDVP Error = {tdvpEq.tdvp_error}")
174     if comp_integrals:
175         print(f"\t > Integral 1sigma = {info['integral_1sigma']}")
176         print(f"\t > Integral 0.5sigma = {info['integral_0.5sigma']}")
177         print(f"\t > Integral 0.1sigma = {info['integral_0.1sigma']}")
178     print(f"\t > Entropy = {info['entropy']}")
179     print(f"\t > dist params = {vState.params['params']['dist_params']}")
180     print(f"\t > Means = {info['x1']}")
181     print(f"\t > Covar = {info['covar']}")
182
183     for key in info.keys():
184         if key not in infos.keys():
185             infos[key] = []
186         infos[key].append(info[key])
187     infos["ev"].append(tdvpEq.ev)
188     infos["snr"].append(tdvpEq.snr)
189     infos["solver_res"].append(tdvpEq.solverResidual)
190     infos["tdvp_error"].append(tdvpEq.tdvp_error)
191     infos["dist_params"].append(vState.params['params']['dist_params'])
192
193     n = round(t / plot_every)
194     if np.abs(t - n * plot_every) < dt and dim == 2 and n not in n_list:
195         n_list.append(n)
196         integral = vState.integrate(grid)
197         print("Integral value:", integral)
198
199         visualization.plot(vState, grid, proj=False)
200         plt.savefig(wdir + f't_{t:.3f}.pdf')
201         plt.show()
202
203     print(vState.net.apply(vState.params, jnp.zeros(dim,), evaluate=False, inv=True)[0])
204
205     # visualization.plot_line(vState, scale=10, fit=True, offset=offset)
206     # plt.show()
207
208     t = t + dt
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210 util.store_infos(wdir, infos)
211 visualization.make_final_plots(wdir, infos)
212 plt.show()
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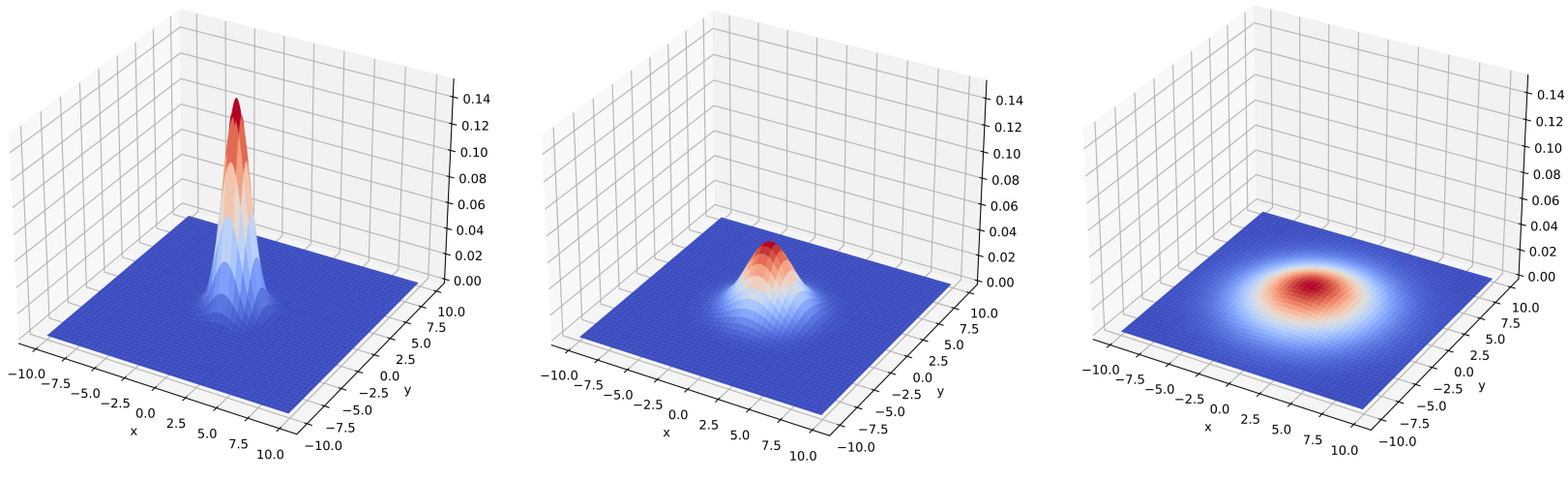

The paper describes the method as applicable to diffusion, i.e. parabolic, problem environments. Because elliptic equations are also amenable to solution by Monte Carlo techniques, it might be possible to extend the treatment to them also.