Modeling and Simulation of Ocean Phenomena Using Physics-Based Machine Learning

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Oceans and Climate: generalities

Many phenomena

- Ocean circulation.
- □ Transport of nutrients.
- Plankton dynamics.
- Carbon pump.
- etc.

If we want to predict or simulate, we need:

- Mathematical modeling.
- Numerical methods.

Numerical methods. Approaches

Data regimes¹: Physics-Based vs. Data-Driven approaches.



Classical numerical methods vs. Machine Learning (ML) methods:



¹ Karniadakis, G. E., Kevrekidis, I. G., Lu, L., Perdikaris, P., Wang, S., and Yang, L. (2021). Physics-informed machine learning. Nature Reviews Physics, 3(6):422-440

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Physics-Based vs. Data-Driven²



² Degen, D., Caviedes Voullième, D., Buiter, S., Hendriks Franssen, H.-J., Vereecken, H., González-Nicolás, A., and Wellmann, F. (2023). Perspectives of physics-based machine learning for geoscientific applications governed by partial differential equations. *Geoscientific Model Development Discussions*, 2023:1–50

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Physics-Based Machine Learning: Advantages.

Over classical num. methods:

- Reduces computational cost.
- Increases flexibility.
- New patterns.

Over classical ML:

- Incorporates physical laws.
- Reduces data requirements.
- Improves interpretability.
- New phenomena.

Physics-Based Machine Learning: Disadvantages/Challenges.

Over classical num. methods:

- Increases complexity.
- In some cases it could limit applicability.

Over classical ML:

- Increases complexity.
- Increases computational cost.
- Limited flexibility.

Methods in Physics-Based Machine Learning

- Gaussian processes with physical constraints (GP-PC).
- Regression trees.
- Differential equation neural networks (DENN).
- Physics-informed neural networks (PINNs).
- Hybrid approaches.

Physics-Informed ML (I): PINNs³



Problem:

Find $\theta = (W, b)$ the set of weights and biases that minimizes the loss function

$$\mathscr{L}_{train} = (1 - \lambda)\mathscr{L}_{data} + \lambda\mathscr{L}_{physics}, \qquad (1)$$

where

$$\mathscr{L}_{data} = \frac{1}{N_u} \sum_{i=1}^{N_u} \left| B(u)(x_i^u, t_i^u) - B(u_\theta)(x_i^u, t_i^u) \right|^2, \quad \mathscr{L}_{physics} = \frac{1}{N_f} \sum_{j=1}^{N_f} \left| F(u_\theta)(x_j^f, t_j^f) \right|^2.$$
(2)

³Raissi, M., Perdikaris, P., and Karniadakis, G. (2019). Physics-informed neural networks: A deep learning framework for solving forward and inverse problems involving nonlinear partial differential equations. *Journal of Computational Physics*, 378:686–707

Example: Poisson equation (I).

Direct problem

Given $\kappa(x, y)$ and f(x, y) in the interior domain, and u(x, y) on the boundary: Determine u(x, y) if

$$\nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla \mathbf{u}) = f$$



Example: Poisson equation (II).

Inverse problem

Given f(x, y) in the interior domain and u(x, y) in a sampling set: Determine $\kappa(x, y)$ if

 $\nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla u) = f$



Advantages

- It is a meshless method.
- It faces the curse of dimensionality.

Challenges

- Despite the experimental results, it is necessary to establish in theory that PINNs can accurately simulate/recover the parameters.
- To obtain methods that make the optimization process efficient and accurate (architecture, hyperparameters, etc.)

Some strategies:

Hypothesis set

- Hyperparameters (number of neurons and layers, activation functions): manual, gaussian process, evolutionary search.
- □ Architectures: FNN, CNN, autoencoders, etc.
- Sampling: grid, hyper-Latin cube, adaptive, evolutionary, etc.
- Optimization strategy
 - Objective function.
 - PDE sense: classical or distributional sense, lagrangian or eulerian, etc.
 - Trade-off for PDE and data loss:
 - Manual, evolutionary, causal, etc.
 - Hard and soft constraints.
 - Gradient descent:
 - SGD, Adam, L-BFGS, etc.
 - Learning rate: constant, scheduled, adaptive, etc.

PINNs (I): Optimal hyperparameters search^{4 5}

PINNs as a multi-objective optimization problem

We seek a solution to the problem

$$\min_{\theta, a} \left(\mathscr{L}_{\text{physics}}(\theta), \ \mathscr{L}_{\text{data}}(\theta) \right).$$
(3)

Method: Evolutionary algorithms to obtain an optimal *a* and a set of λ's such that estimate the Pareto optimal front.



⁴ de Wolff, T., Lincopi, H. C., Martí, L., and Sanchez-Pi, N. (2022). Mopinns: an evolutionary multi-objective approach to physics-informed neural networks. In Proceedings of the Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference Companion, pages 228–231

⁵ de Wolff, T., Carrillo, H., Martí, L., and Sanchez-Pi, N. (2023). Optimal architecture discovery for physics-informed neural networks. In Advances in Artificial Intelligence–IBERAMIA 2022: 17th Ibero-American Conference on AI, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, November 23–25, 2022, Proceedings, pages 77–88. Springer

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Burgers equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times (0, T), \\ u(1, t) = u(-1, t) = 0 & t \in (0, 1), \\ u(x, 0) = -\sin(\pi x) & x \in (-1, 1), \end{cases}$$





(a) Burgers target (exact) solution. Hugo Carrillo L. (Inria Chile Research Center)



(b) Solution predicted by MOPINNs.

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a = (40, 10, 10)

 $\lambda = 0.048745.$

PINNs (II): Application of PINNs to ocean models

The NPZ model

$$\partial_t N + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla N = -f(I)g(N)P + (1 - \gamma)h(P)Z + i(P)P + j(Z)Z$$
$$\partial_t P + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla P = f(I)g(N)P - h(P)Z - i(P)P$$
$$\partial_t Z + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla Z = \gamma h(P)Z - j(Z)Z$$
+Initial conditions

Here, *u* is the velocity of a fluid, which couples the NPZ model to, for instance, Navier-Stokes.

Navier-Stokes ($w = \nabla \times u$)

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{w} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla \boldsymbol{w} = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta \boldsymbol{w}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$$

+Initial condition

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Work in progress: making simulations

- PINNs with several loss functions.
- □ Hyperbolic nature of the model adds difficulties in training → causal PINNs.

PINNs strategy: Causal PINNs ⁶

- PINNs can violate physical causality.
- Re-formulation:

$$\mathscr{L}_r(\theta) = \frac{1}{N_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} w_i \mathscr{L}_r(t_i, \theta), \quad \text{where} \quad w_i = \exp\left(-\varepsilon \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \mathscr{L}_r(t_k, \theta)\right)$$

⁶Wang, S., Sankaran, S., and Perdikaris, P. (2022). Respecting causality is all you need for training physics-informed neural networks

Navier-Stokes

Physics-Based ML (II): Reduced order modeling (ROMs) for PDEs⁷

$$\partial_t u_\mu + P_\mu[u_\mu] = f_\mu \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ + BC_\mu + IC_\mu.$$

Problem:

Given an unknown state μ , and measurements (snapshots) for different μ_i 's, estimate the solution manifold $\mathcal{M} = \{u(\mu) | \mu \in \mathcal{P}\}.$

Method (work in progress):

Reduced Basis method (RB) mixed with NNs.

Application (work in progress)

$\begin{array}{c} X \\ u_{N}(\mu) \\ u(\mu_{1}) \\ u(\mu) \\ u(\mu) \end{array}$

Multi-query with high dimensional model:



Multi-query with reduced model:



Optimal location of measurements for inverse problems.

⁷ Hesthaven, J. S. and Ubbiali, S. (2018). Non-intrusive reduced order modeling of nonlinear problems using neural networks. Journal of Computational Physics, 363:55–78

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Conclusions, perspectives, challenges

Application of PBML methods

- Integration to Pisces?
- What method will work better for ocean numerical simulation?
- Could this technique be useful for modeling challenges?
- Multiscale phenomena?
- Multi-physics phenomena
- □ To determine which parameters influence the state distribution
- Assessment of uncertainty.
- Predictions and real-time applications.

Thanks for your attention!