

Towards Scalable Scientific Machine Learning: Motivation and an Approach



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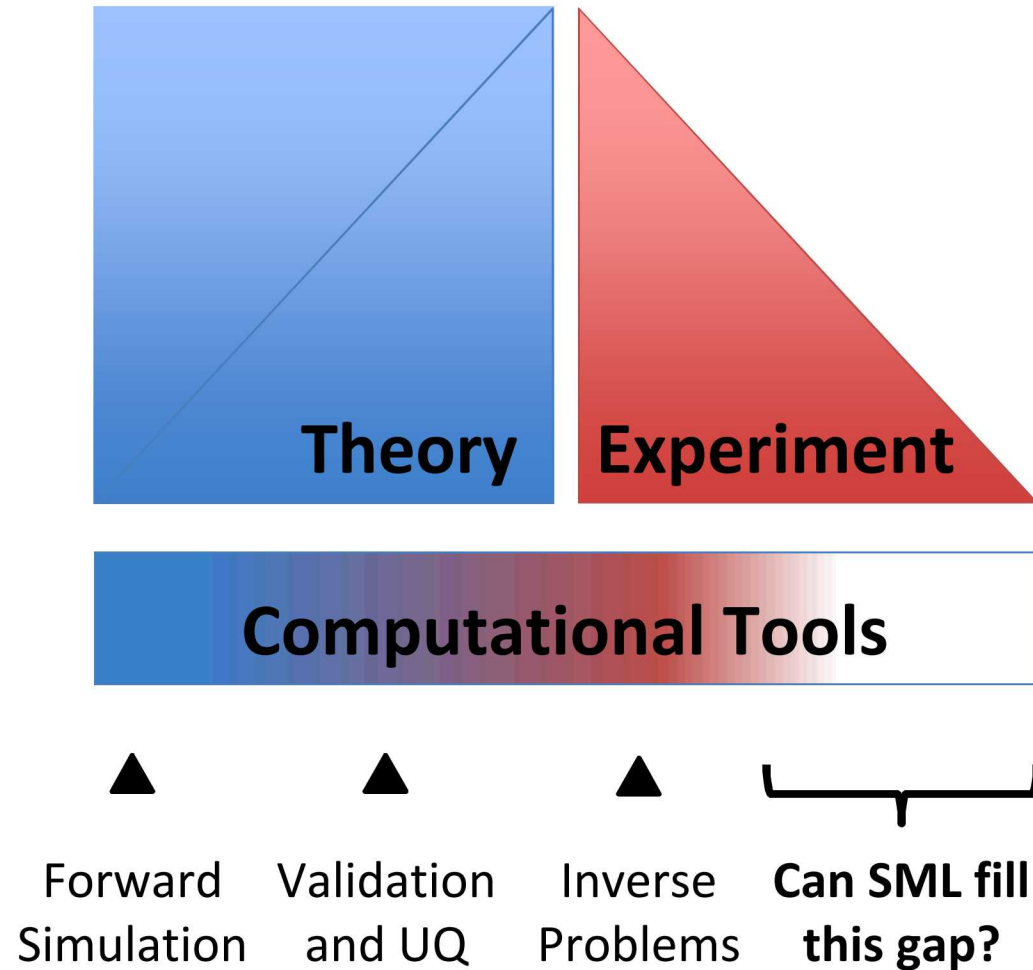
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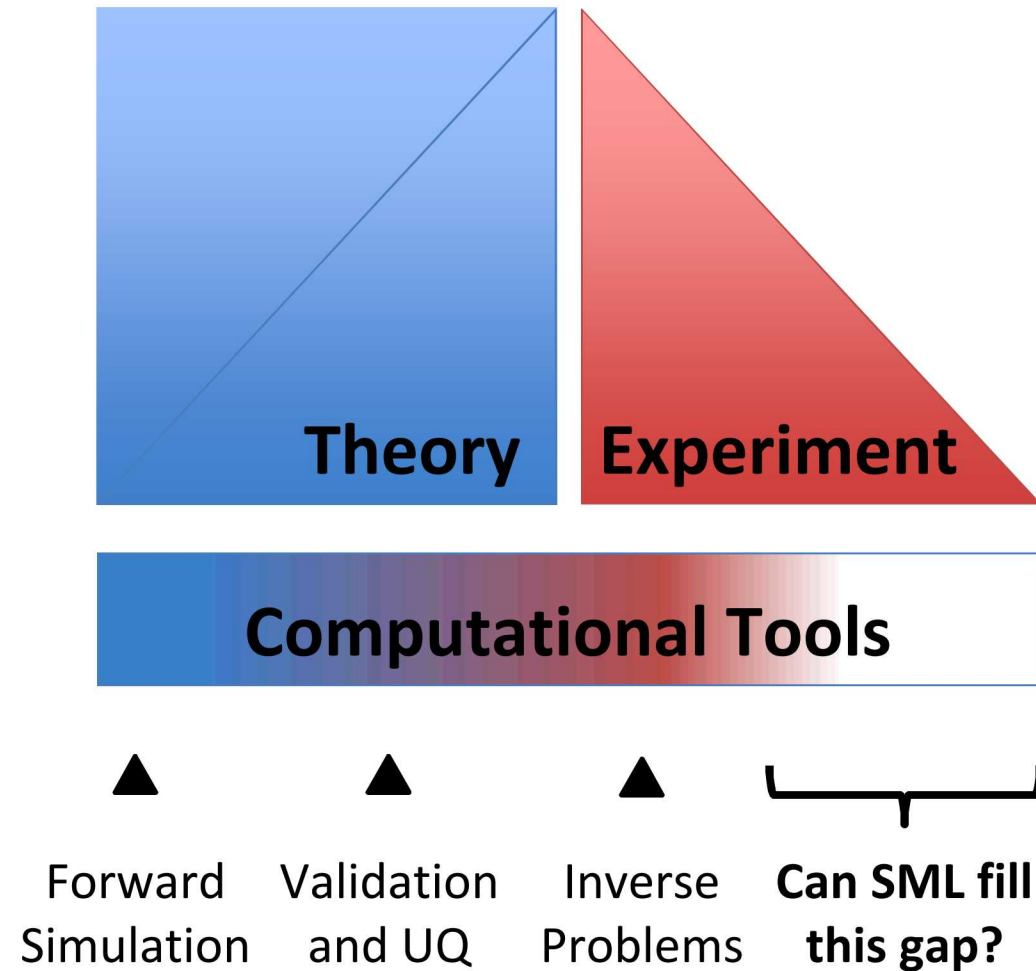
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Why Scientific Machine Learning (SML)?



- Large amounts of data from experiment and simulation
- Difficult to use traditional human centered analysis techniques
- Despite success of comp. science, tool gap remains for analyzing data
- Can Scientific Machine Learning (SML) fill the gap?

What do I mean by scalability (in general)?



1. Data set size
 - Peta/Tera byte sized data sets
 - Few independent samples
2. Complexity of DNNs
 - Architectures are complex, not broadly applicable
3. Scalability of training
 - Use DOE computing platforms for training and machine learning
4. Mixed types of data
 - Images, frequency, rate calculations, etc...
5. How do you use DNNs and ML for science apps
 - Response surface construction, inversion

- 1) Scientific Machine Learning motivated by Sandia's Z-machine
- 2) Layer-parallel training of neural networks

“Z compresses energy in time and space to achieve extreme powers and intensities”¹

- Used to explore fusion concepts and as an x-ray source
- Uses currents of around 26 million amps
- Peak x-ray output of 350 terawatts
- This makes pretty pictures (see right)

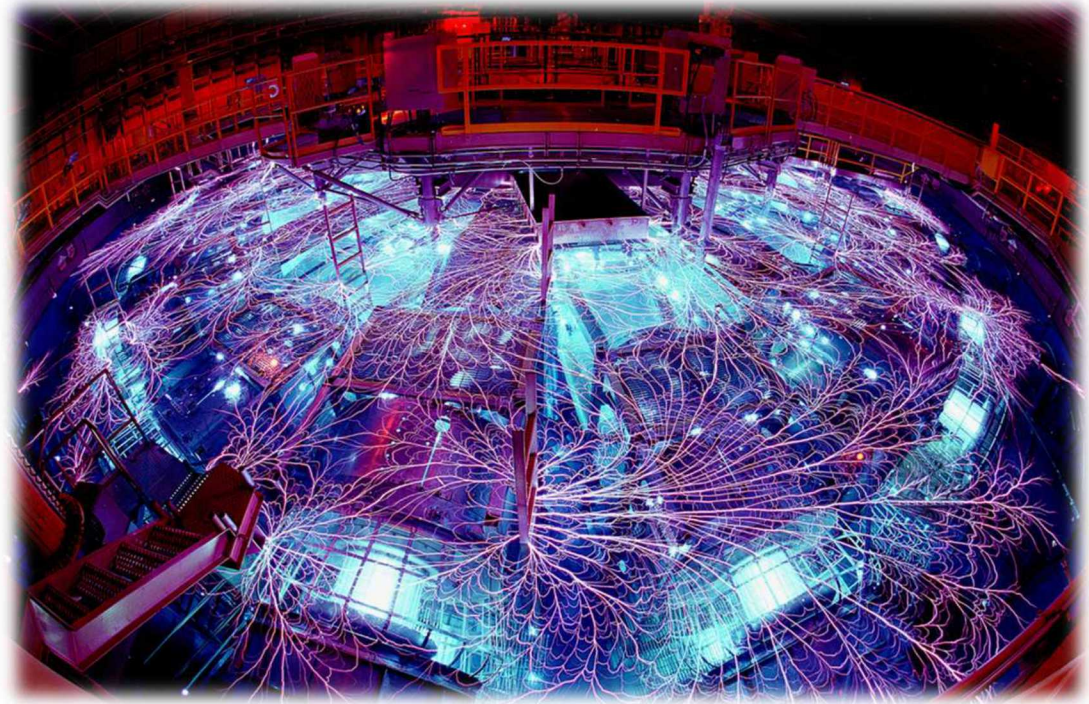
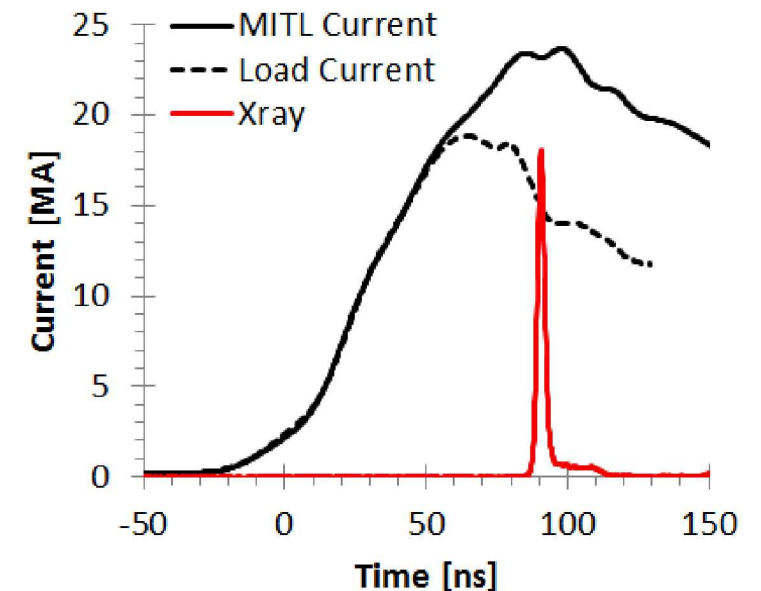
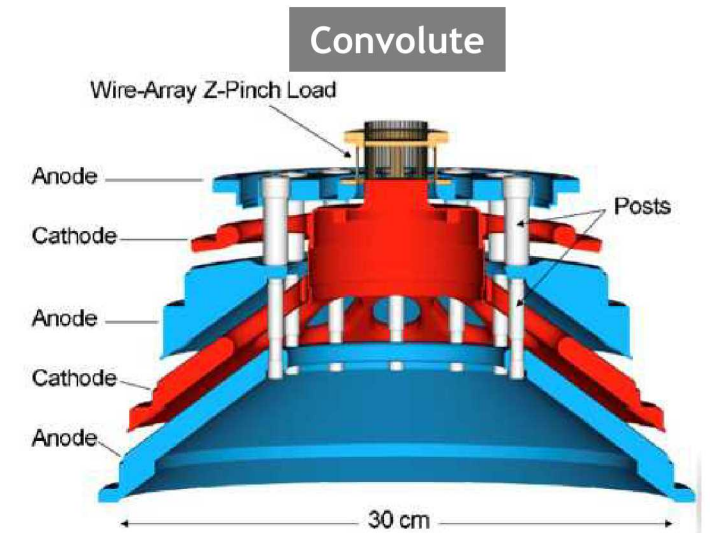
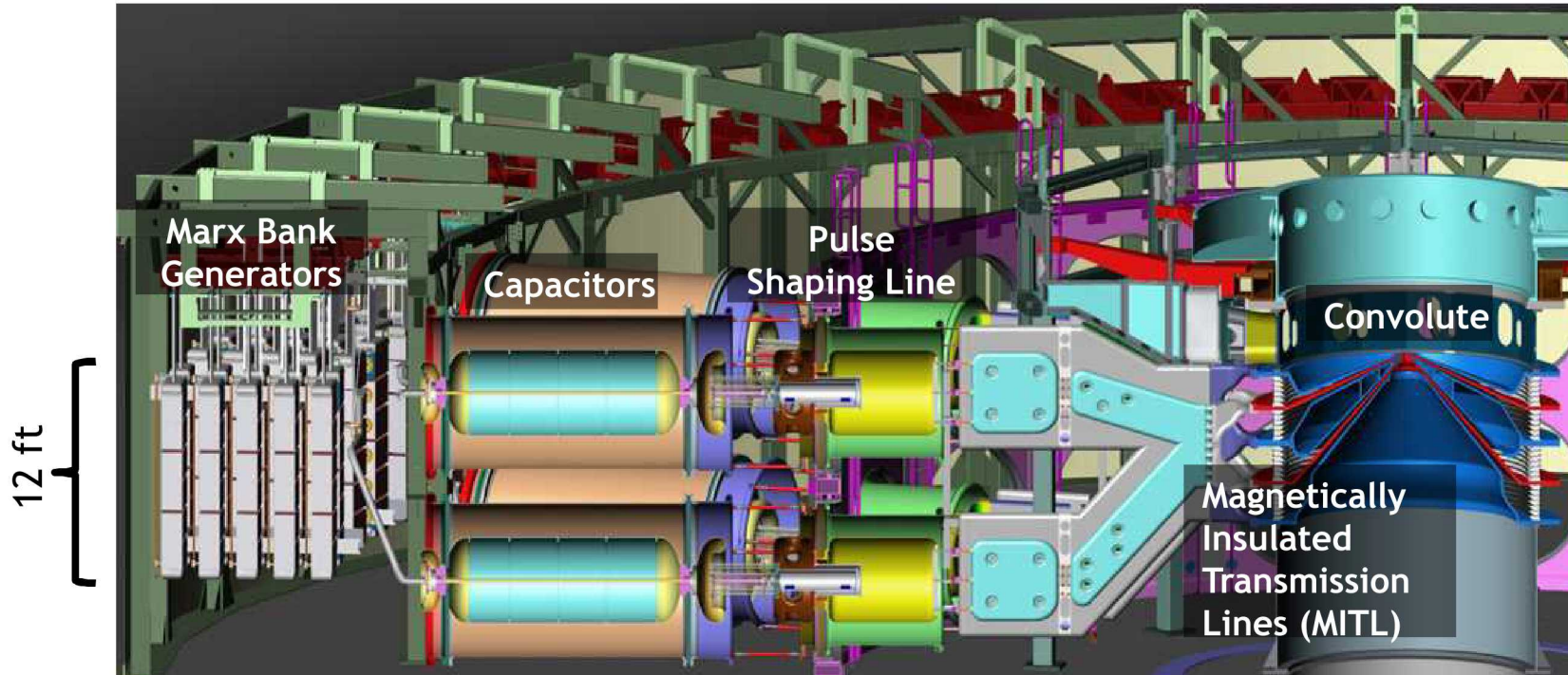


Photo: Randy Montoya

¹For more about “Z” see <https://www.sandia.gov/z-machine/>

Motivating Engineered System: How does Z work? (As explained by a computer scientist)



This machine is complex, SML models maybe valuable:

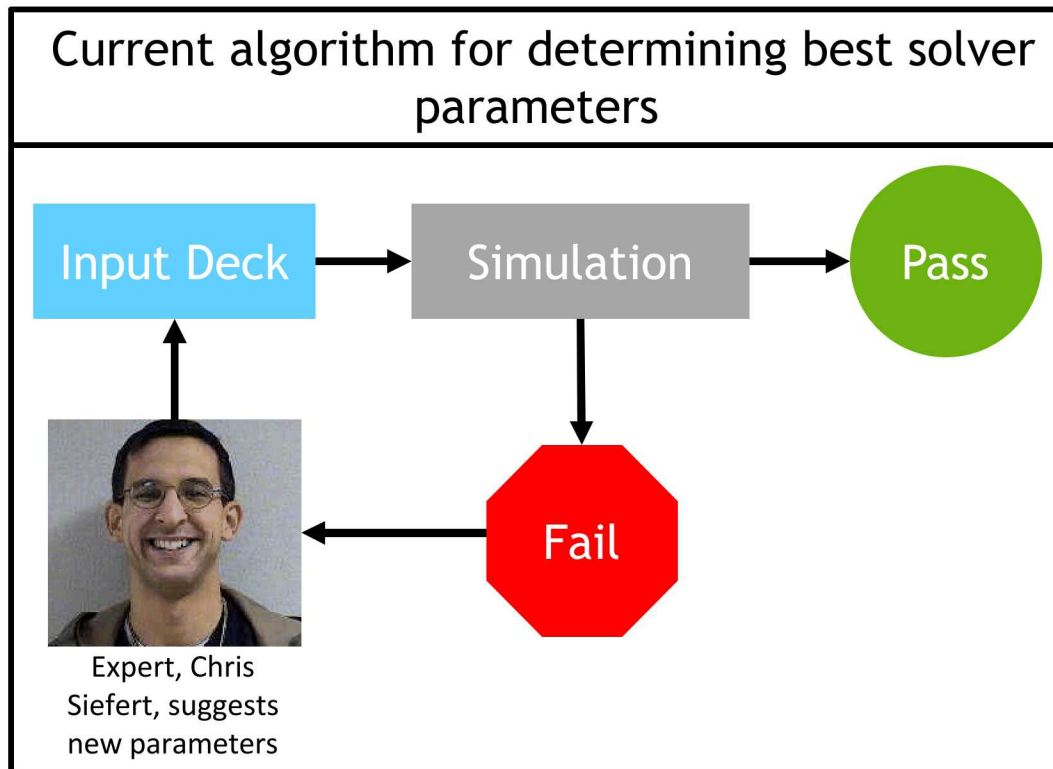
- Simulation is incomplete, inaccurate or expensive
- Interactions can challenge physical intuition and conventional simulation
- “Simple” model used to guide experimental or machine design
- **Ultimately another capability for an engineer or scientist**

- 1) Tuning of simulation parameters
- 2) Learning physical models
- 3) Guidance in experimental design

Motivating Engineered System: 1) Tuning of simulation parameters

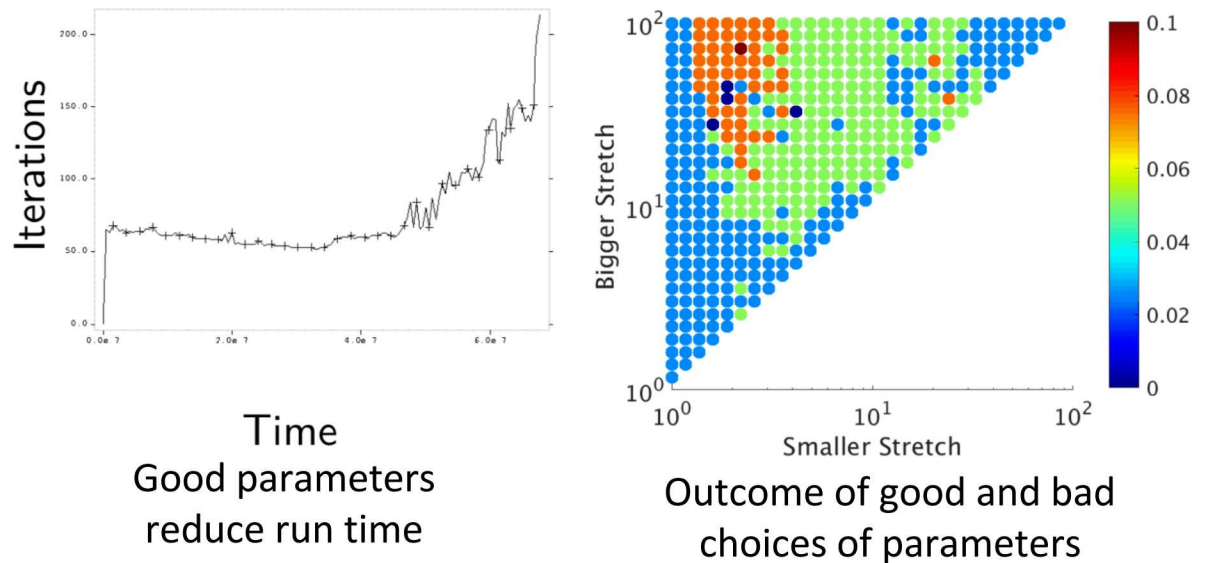
Despite our best efforts, simulation codes and algorithms have many parameters

- Multigrid methods and linear solvers are particularly challenging for analysts
- Can we use machine learning to make writing an input deck easier?



Approach

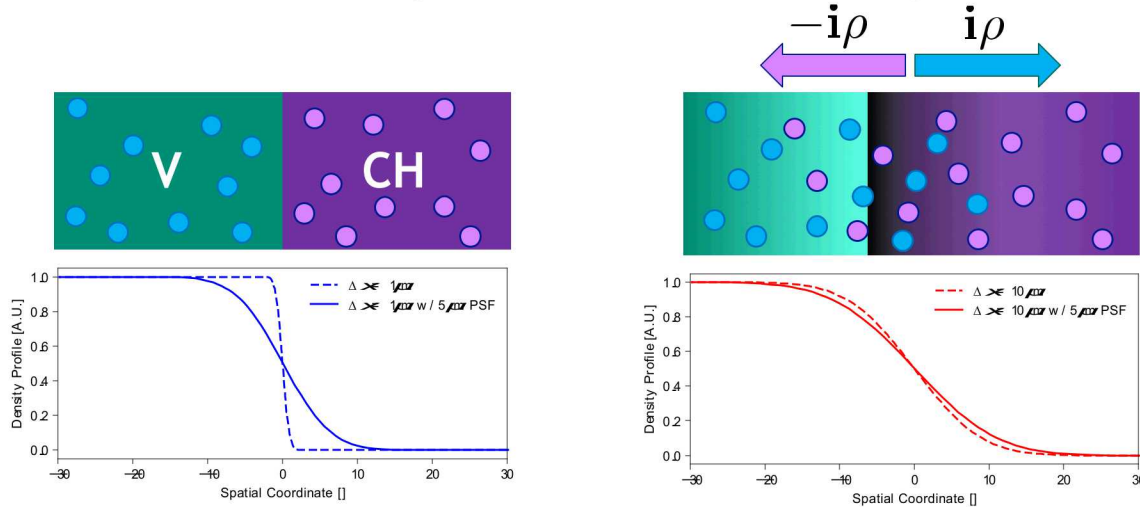
- Use ML to tune linear solver parameters
- Use “ensemble” training techniques



Credit to: Chris Siefert, Mark Hoemmen, John Kaushagen, Ali Pinar, Matthew Peterson, Ron Oldfield, Connor Smith

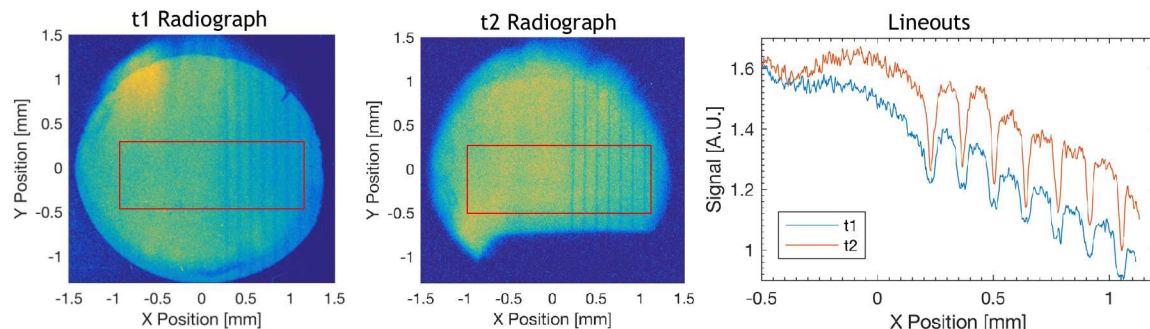
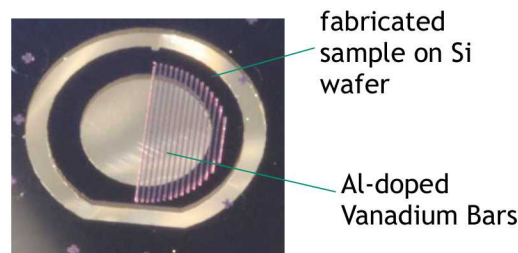
9 Motivating Engineered System: 2) Tuning of simulation parameters

Measure the blurring of the material boundary:



Experimental setup:

- Silicon wafer with “stripes” of material
- Exposed to X-ray’s from Z



What do the scientists hope to learn from this data?

- We would like to understand the blurring process
- Kinetic models to develop a moment based macroscopic model has not been predictive
- Can we determine a macroscopic model?

This leads to math and modeling questions?

- Do we have enough data?
- What more data do we need?
- What critical physical processes do we need to included (e.g. mass conservation)? Does this make the data requirements tractable?
- What machine learning models shall be considered and can be used for useful interpretation?

Credit to: Kris Beckwith and Pat Knapp

Motivating Engineered System: 3) Guidance in experimental design

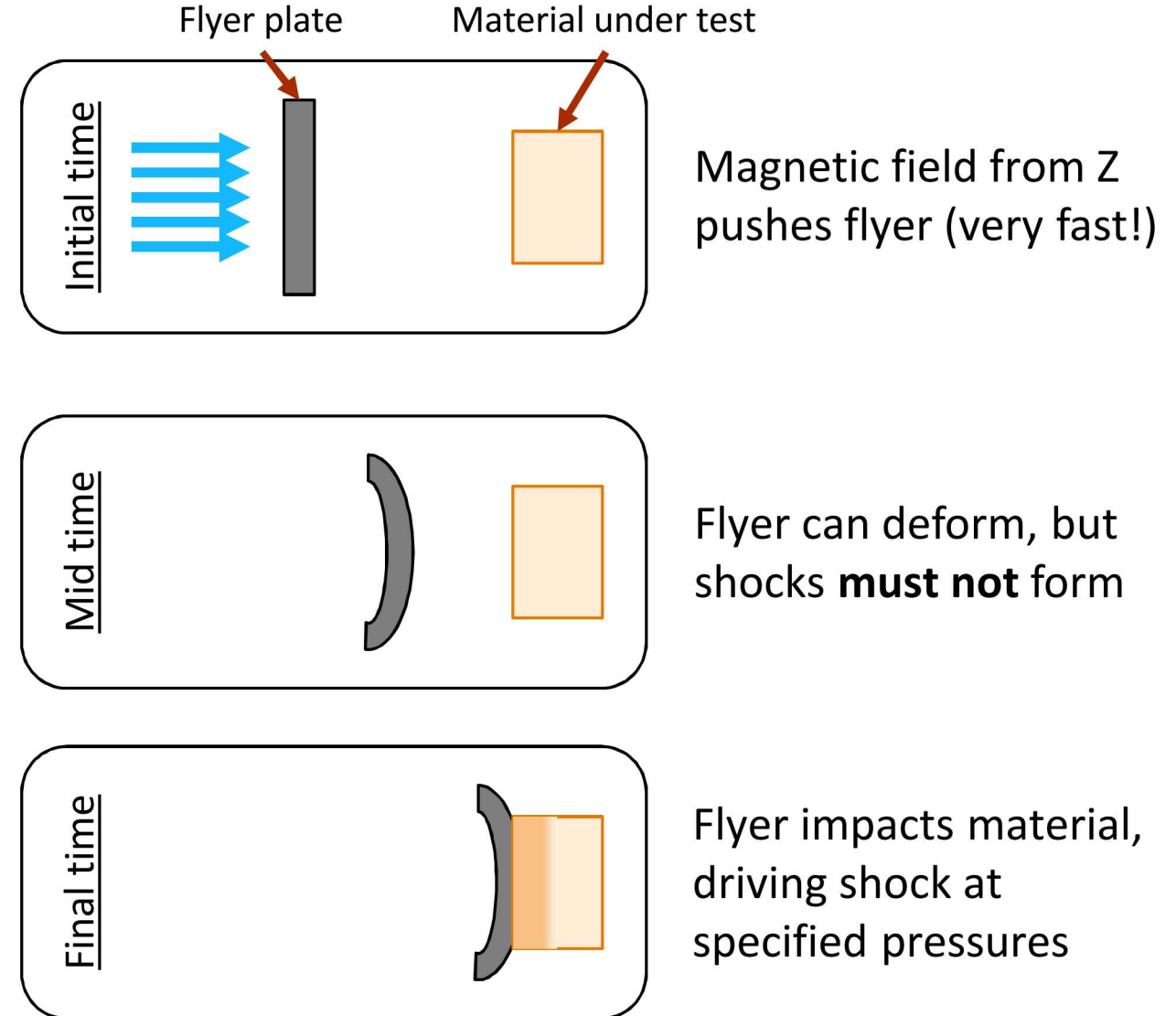
Z is used to determine equations of state (EOS) for materials at extreme pressures

- Flyer plates are launched into material
- VISAR data measures shock, determines EOS (think Riemann problem)

Problem: flyer must be accelerated but must not shock!

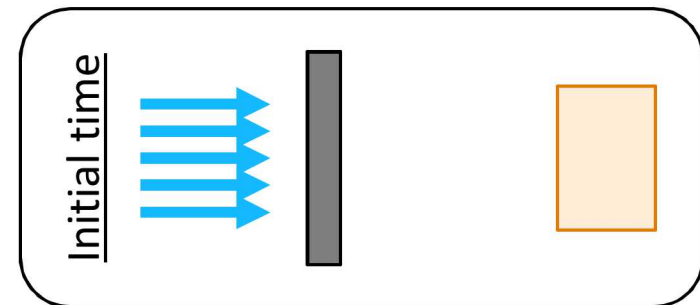
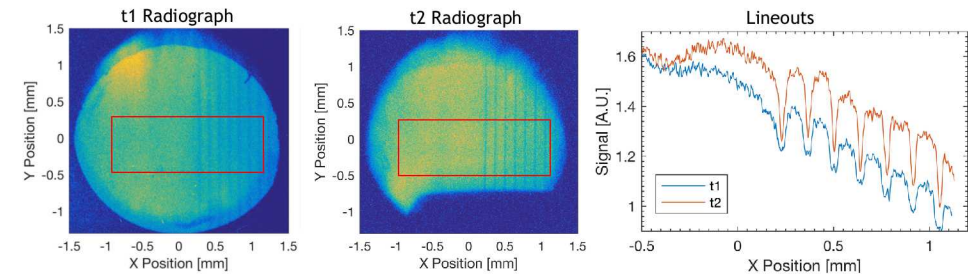
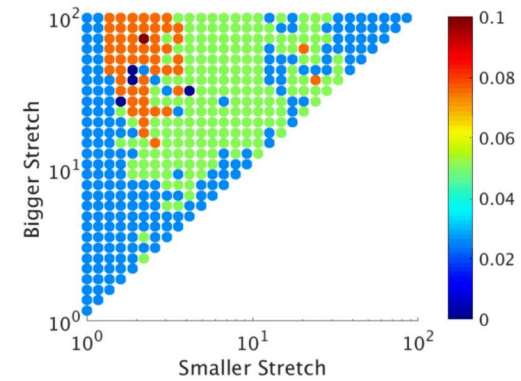
- This is controlled by "pulse shaping"
- Force driving flyer is a function of pulse shape including current losses and impedance interactions

Machine learning question: Using modeling and data can we invert for pulse shape given a target pressure/temperature?



Flyer plate experiment: time sequence

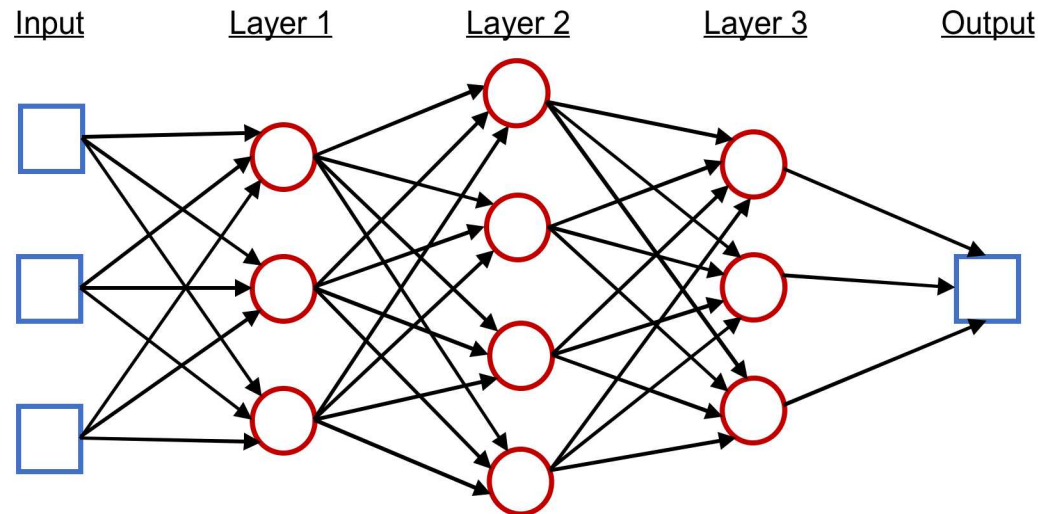
- 1) Assisting analysts using learned linear solver parameters
- 2) Learning new models for interface blurring
- 3) Designing pulse profiles for flyer plates



Layer-Parallel Training of Deep Neural Networks

Neural networks are the “hot” thing in machine learning

- Important to realize machine learning is more than neural networks
- Deep neural networks have had an amazing impact on image recognition and other commercial learning applications
- They are often depicted like this:



The data (e.g. image) is contained and x_l , g is a nonlinear activation function, the weight matrix W_l and vector b_l must be “learned” through training

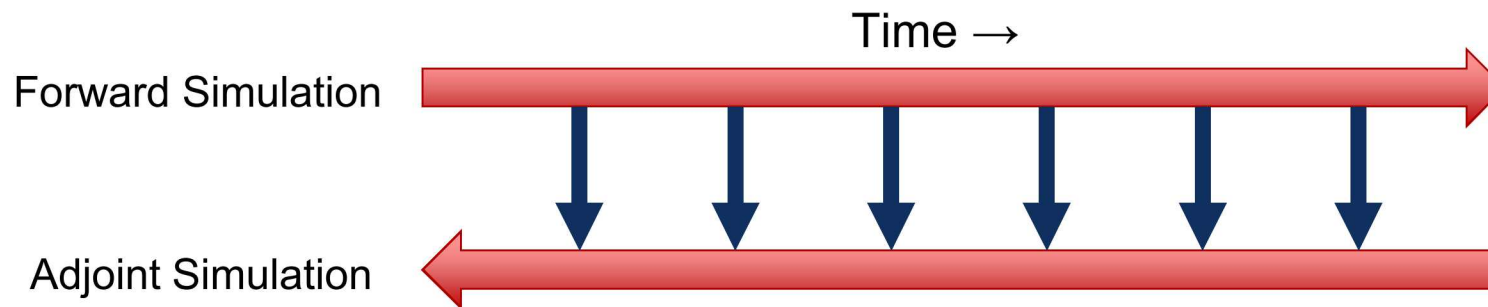
$$x_{l+1} = g(W_l x_l + b_l) \text{ for } l = 1 \dots L - 1$$

The forward evolution from layer-to-layer looks like time evolution. This motivates the ODE form¹:

$$x' = g(W(t)x(t) + b(t)) \text{ for } t \in [0, T], x(0) = x_0$$

Training algorithm requires computation of the gradient (gross approx. here):

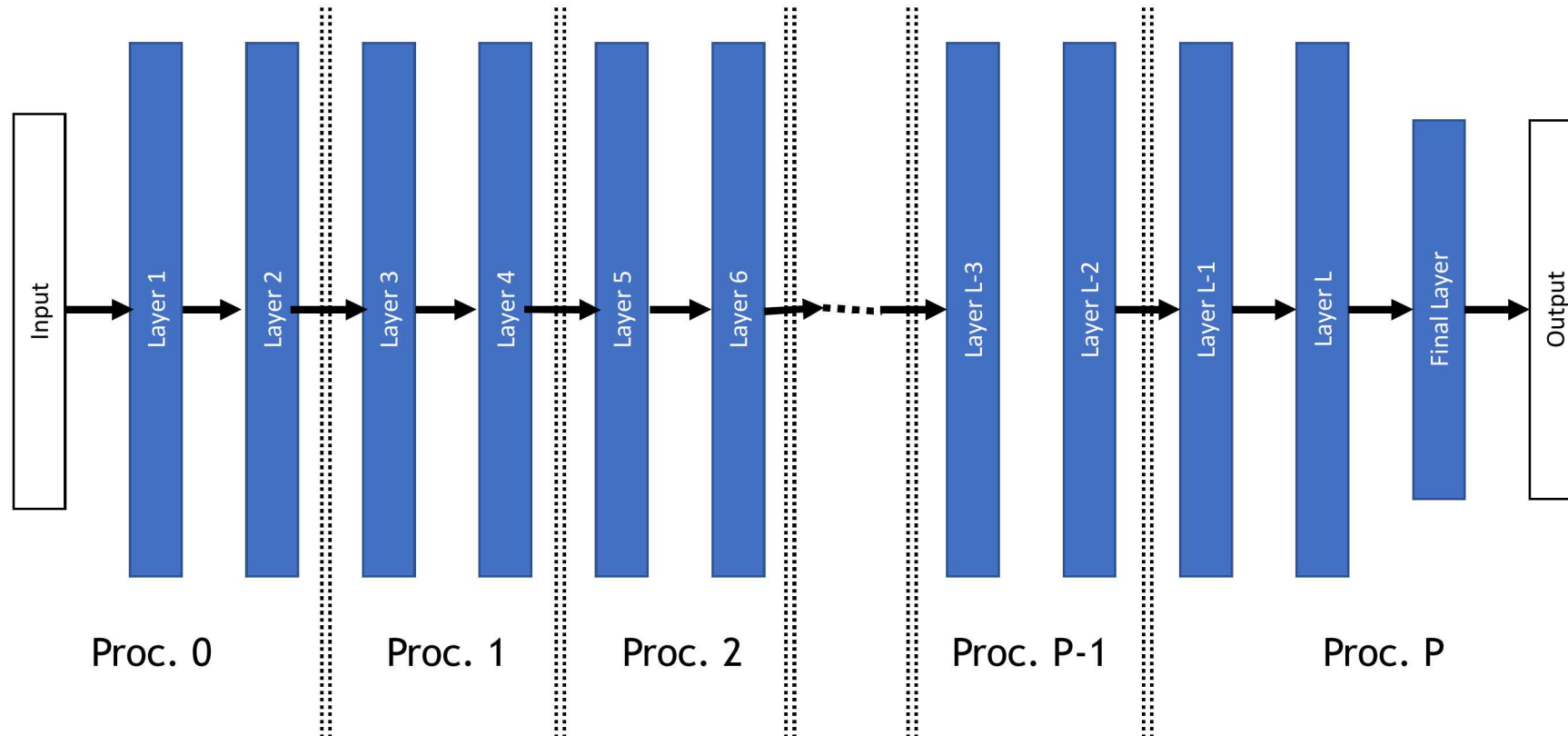
- 1) Compute forward solution
- 2) Compute adjoint solution



Gradient computation requires two time evolutions in serial. This limits scalability.

¹ E. Haber and L. Ruthotto. *Stable architectures for deep neural networks*. Inverse Probl., 34:014004, 2017.

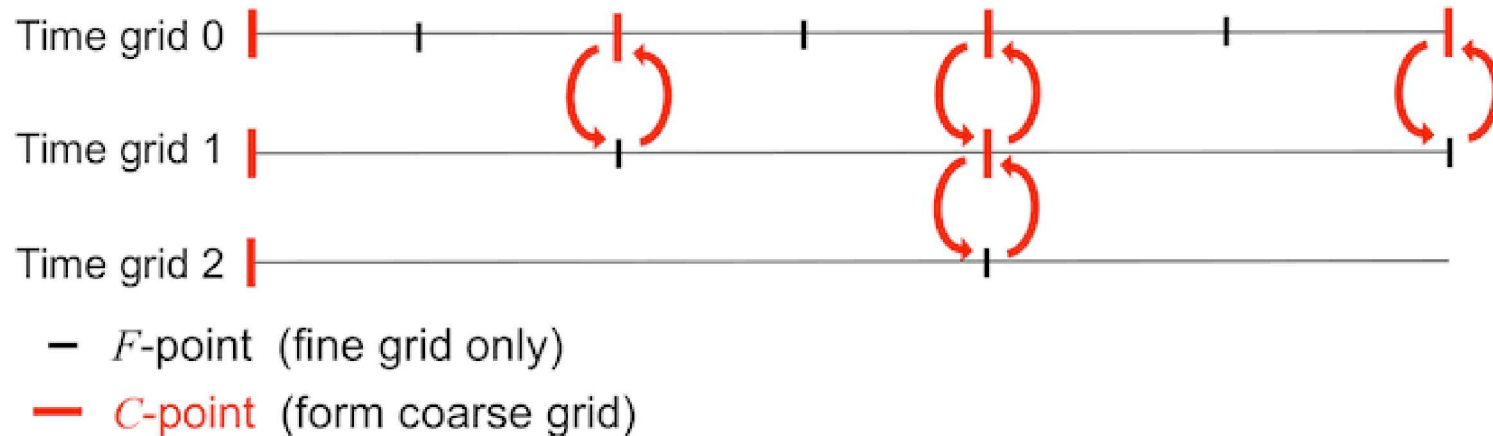
Layer-Parallel Training: What would be cool!



- Many parallelization strategies for DNNs subdivide the layers
- Pursue a complementary direction and also introduce layer parallelism
- Based on ideas in parallel-in-time methods
- How do we do this?

Layer-Parallel Training: Multigrid Reduction in Time (MGRIT)^{1,2}

To accelerate the forward and backward solve, we will apply MGRIT¹



Xbraid library modified by Stefanie Guenther (speaking “parallel-in-time!”) to solve the adjoint problem.

- 1: Perform m_1 state updates:
 for $m = 1, \dots, m_1$: $\mathbf{U}_m \leftarrow \text{MGRIT}(A, \mathbf{U}_{m-1}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{G})$
- 2: Perform m_2 adjoint updates:
 for $m = 1, \dots, m_2$: $\bar{\mathbf{U}}_m \leftarrow \text{MGRIT}(A_{\mathbf{U}_{m_1}}, \bar{\mathbf{U}}_{m-1}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{U}_{m_1}})$
- 3: Assemble reduced gradient $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} J, \nabla_{\mathbf{W}} J, \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} J$
- 4: Approximate Hessians $\mathbf{B}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{W}}, \mathbf{B}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ and select a stepsize $\alpha > 0$
- 5: Network control parameter update:
 $\boldsymbol{\theta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} - \alpha \mathbf{B}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{-1} \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} J$
 $\mathbf{W} \leftarrow \mathbf{W} - \alpha \mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{W}}^{-1} \nabla_{\mathbf{W}} J$
 $\boldsymbol{\mu} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\mu} - \alpha \mathbf{B}_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^{-1} \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} J$
- 6: If converged: halt
 Else: go to step 1.



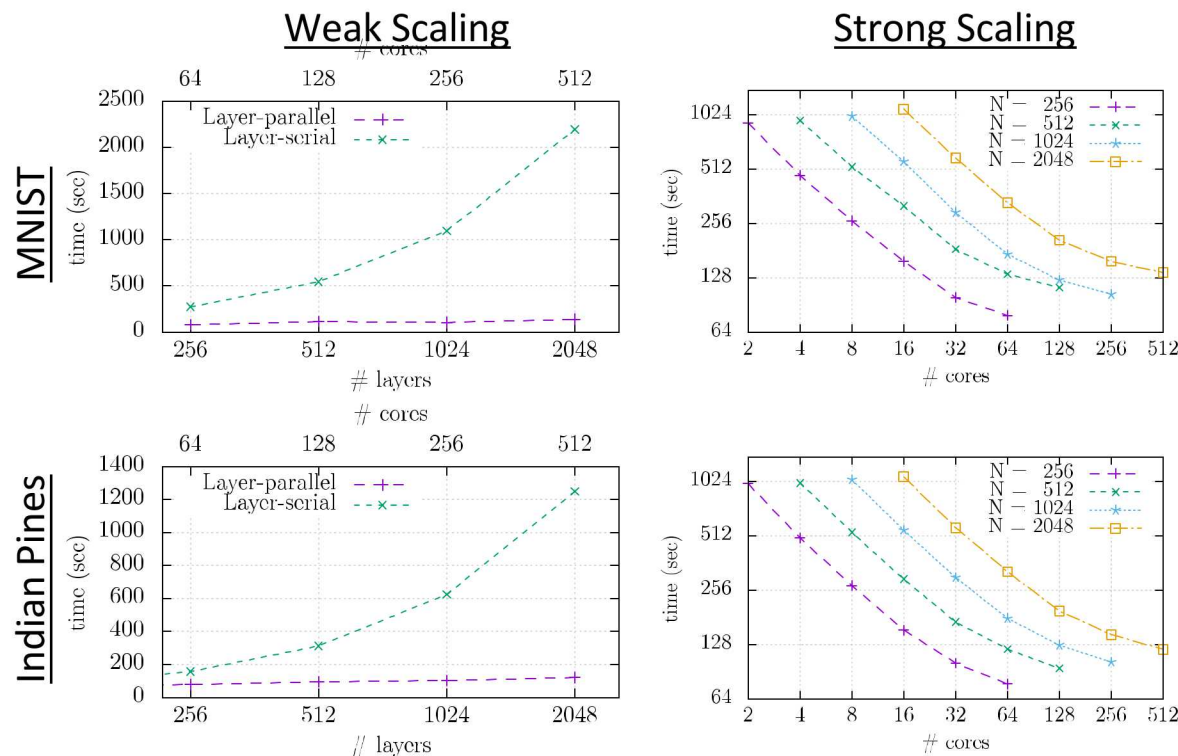
¹R. D. Falgout, S. Friedhoff, T. V. Koley, S. P. MacLachlan, and J. B. Schroder. *Parallel time integration with multigrid*. SIAM J. on Sci. Comp., 36, 6, 2014.

²XBraid: Parallel multigrid in time. software available at <https://github.com/XBraid/xbraid>

Layer-Parallel Training: Scalability and Solvers

Using “one-shot” optimization to train an ODE Neural Network

- Hand written NN operators (including convolutional)
- MNIST (hand written digits) and Indian pines (hyperspectral image segmentation) data sets
- Demonstrates good weak/strong scaling



For details, see: S. Guenther, L. Ruthotto, J. B. Schroder, E. C. Cyr, N. R. Gauger, Layer-Parallel Training of Deep Residual Neural Networks, arXiv preprint arXiv:1812.04352, 2018.

- Motivated scientific machine learning ideas as filling an existing gap in the computational toolset
- Talked through three different types of potential applications associated with Sandia's Z-machine
 - 1) Determination of solver parameters
 - 2) Development of a macroscopic model of interface diffusion
 - 3) Pulse shape design for flying plate experiments
- Changing gears, presented new results demonstrating scalable training of deep neural networks

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