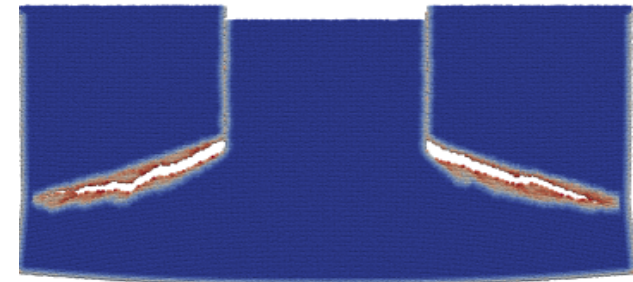
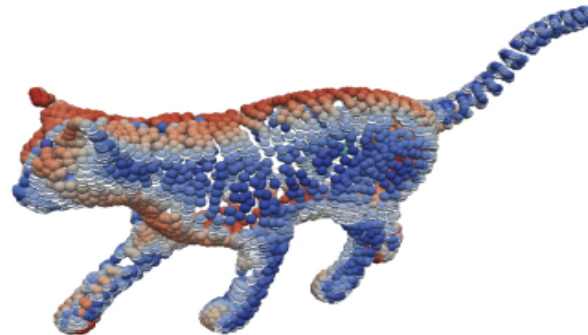
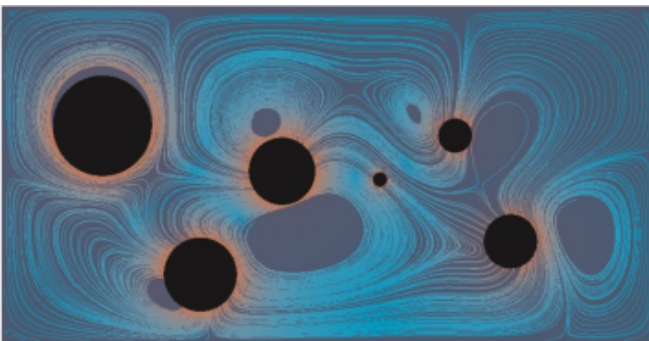


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Structure preserving machine learning for data-driven multiscale/multiphysics modeling



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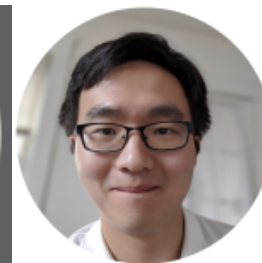
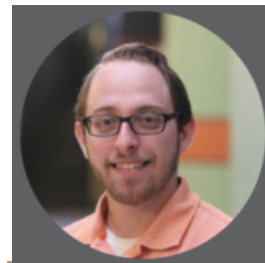
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## Introduction

Brief overview of our forward simulation work

## Objectives

1. Data-driven multiscale finite elements w/ structure preservation
2. High-throughput AI-enabled experimentation for additive manufacturing

## Technical Ingredients:

1. Partition of unity networks for approximation
2. Data-driven exterior calculus (DDEC)
3. Data-driven Whitney forms extracting DDEC from POU-nets
4. Geometric dynamical systems for robotics and control

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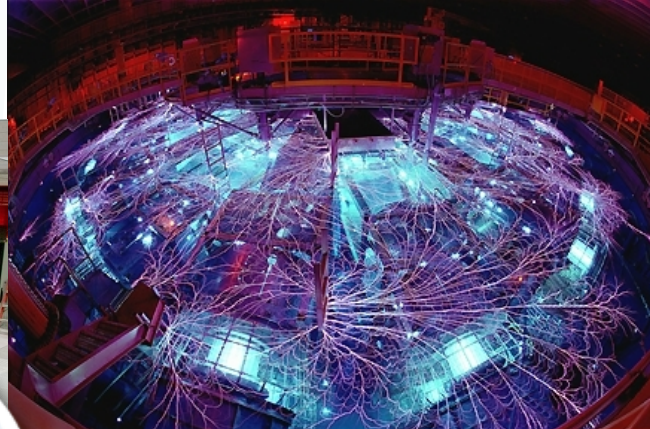


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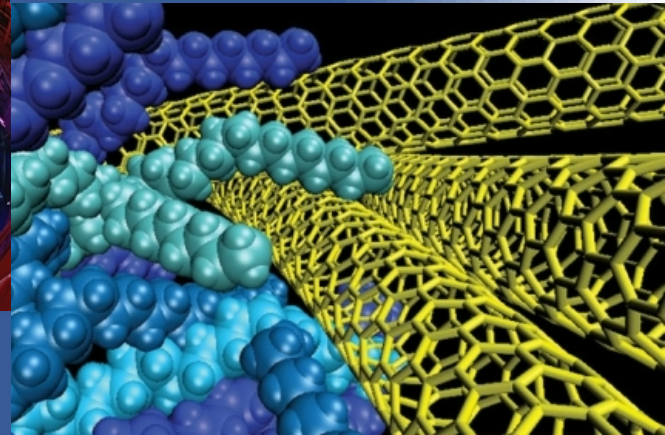
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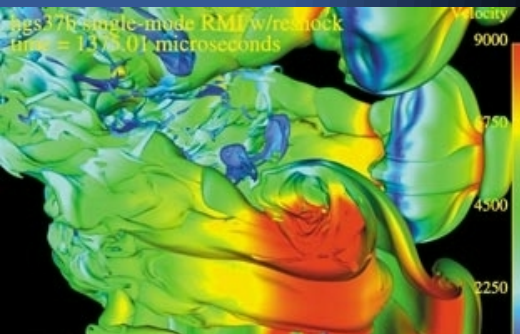


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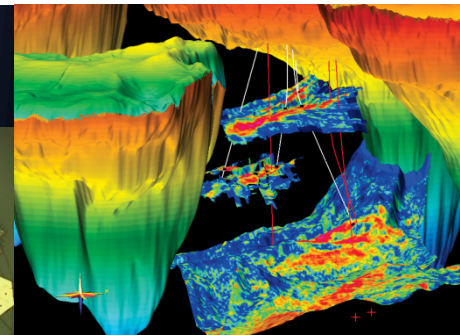
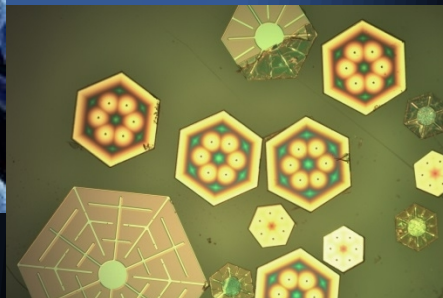


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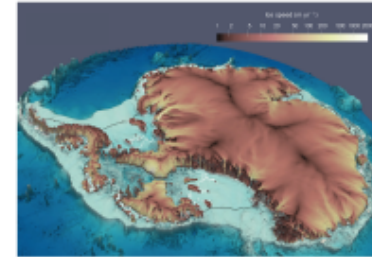
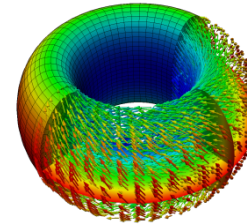
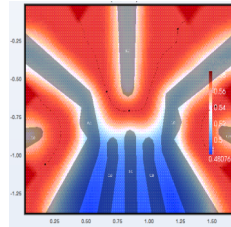
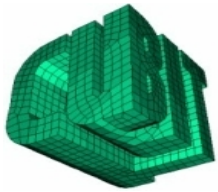
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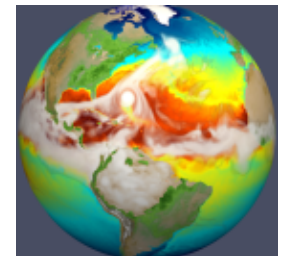
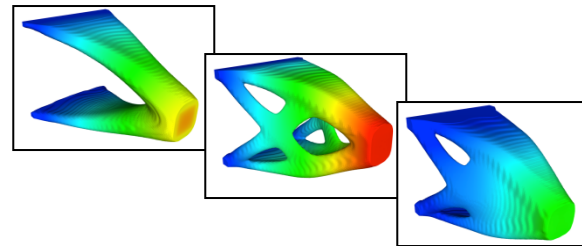
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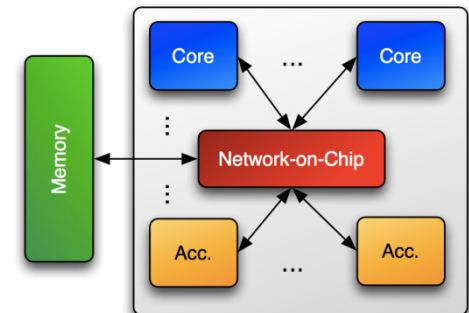
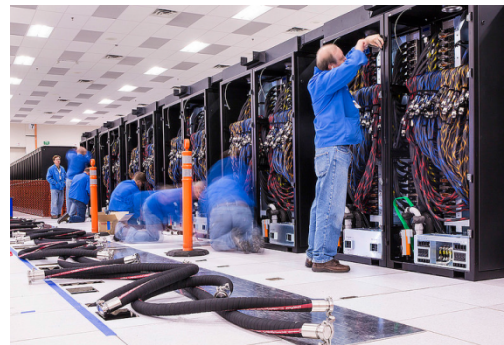


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# Postings: both SciML (applied math/CS) and experimental



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Albuquerque, New Mexico

Job ID: 678349

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### Qualifications We Require

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- Experience with process research and development
- Experience with vapor deposition processes (sputtering or evaporative deposition)
- Experience with thin film characterization
- Experience with vacuum pumping systems
- Proven track record of publication of results in peer-reviewed journals and presentations at scientific and/or technical conferences
- Able to acquire and maintain a DOE security clearance

### Qualifications We Desire

- Experience with magnetron sputter deposition methods
- Experience with microstructural characterization
- Experience with thin film stress characterization
- Experience with mechanical property characterization
- Experience with high vacuum pumping systems
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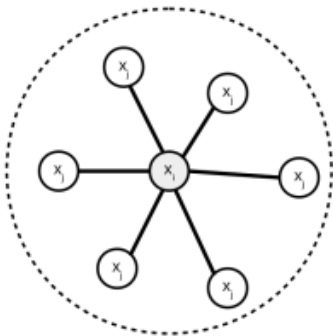
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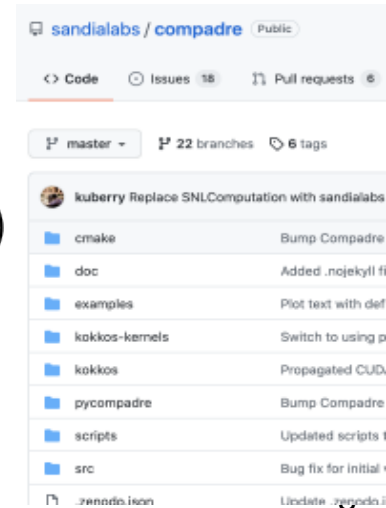
# Research focus:

(before ML) Physics-compatible optimization-based multiphysics + multiscale

(after ML) Structure preserving data-driven multiphysics + multiscale

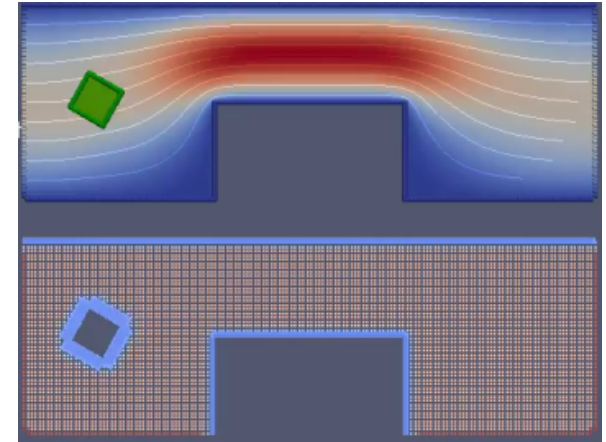


$$\begin{aligned}
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 \tau^h(u) &:= \tau(p^*)
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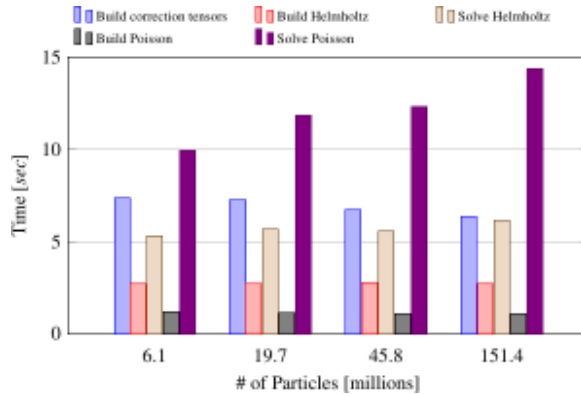


# We think a lot about meshing because it's hard!

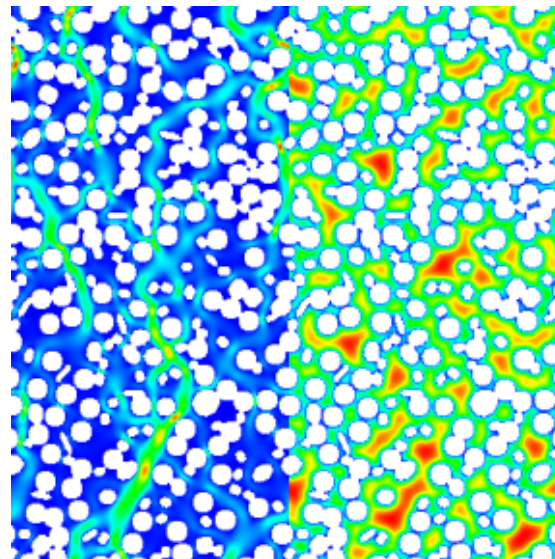
- Meshing is major bottleneck in CAD-to-solution workflow 65% of analyst time
- Developed mimetic meshfree schemes for
  - Treatment of Lagrangian dynamics
  - Automated treatment of pore-scale dynamics
  - Robustness to sliver cells in traditional FEM



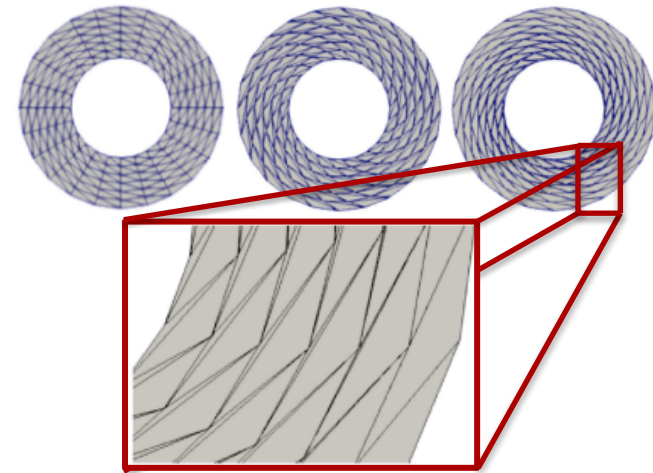
Dense electrophoretic suspensions



Scalable to 500m DOFs



Simulate directly on CT scans

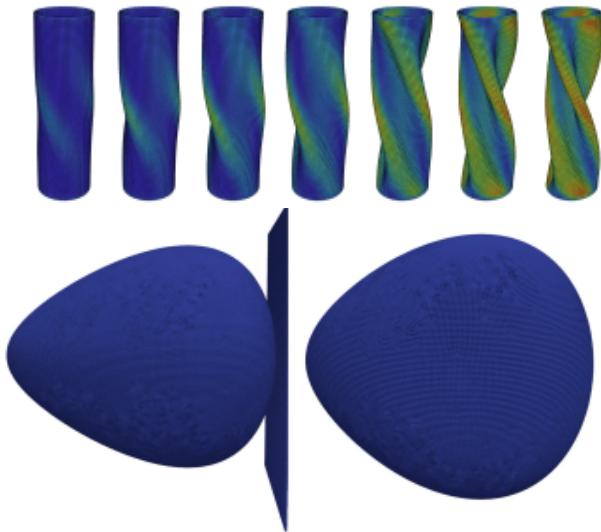
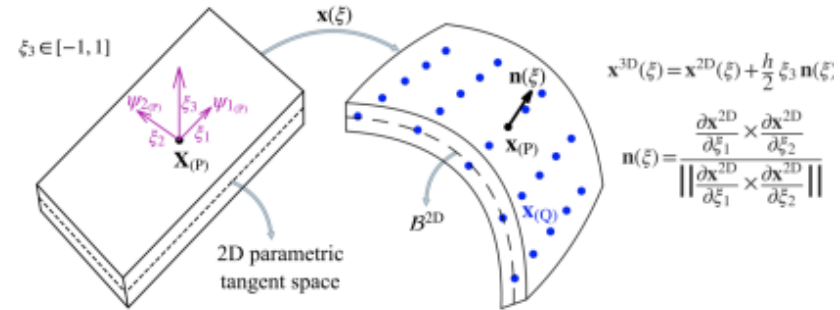


Mesh-hardened FEM on slivers for automatic tet meshing

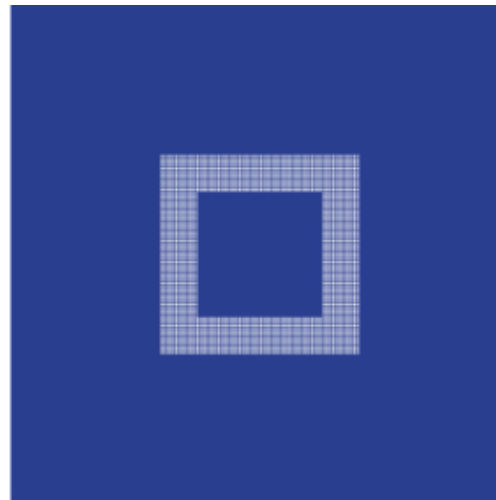
# Accurate multiphysics driven fracture (w/ Y. Bazilevs, J. Foster, Y. Yu)

Combining consistent multiphysics discretization with differential geometry estimators allows:

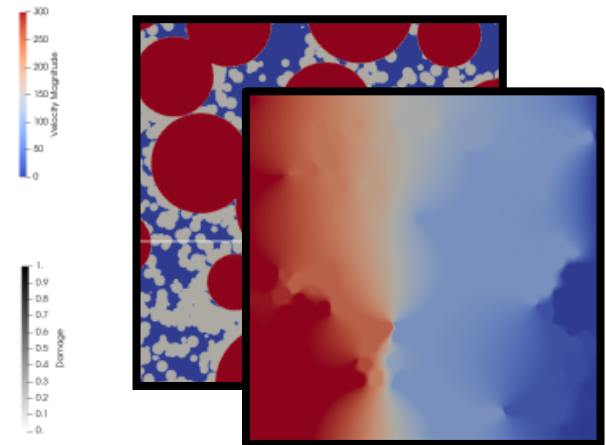
- Construction of high-order shells appropriate for extreme loadings
- Multiphysics coupling for blast-on-structure simulation



Treatment of brittle/ductile failure while maintaining accuracy competitive with IGA



Coupling to shock codes to handle blast on structure



Multiphysics coupling to simulate lithiation-induced failure in batteries

## Data-driven modeling at SNL

A survey of some high-consequence applications mandating some guarantees

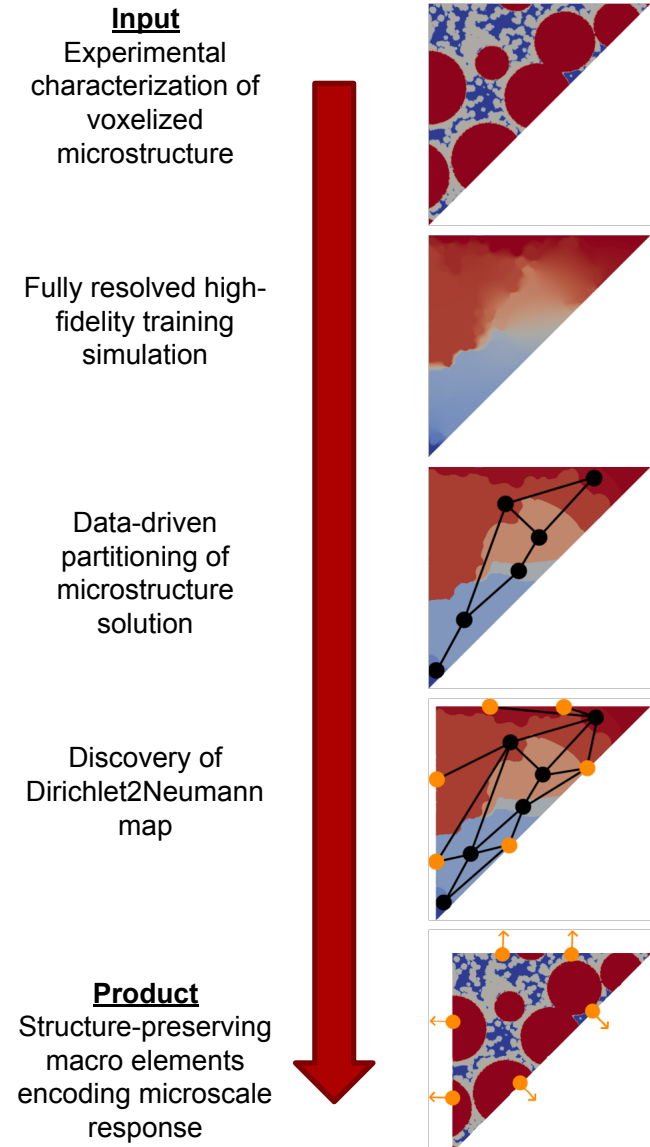
# Embedding microscale physics into continuum FEM

**Problem:** High-throughput scans of microstructure lead to either expensive resolved simulations or oversimplification of microstructure

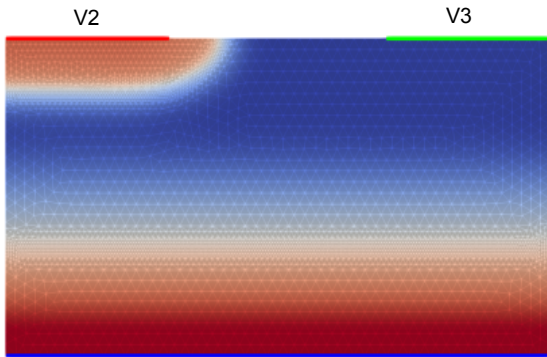
**CT scans of Li-ion battery:** lithiation-induced failure driven by transport pathways through microstructure, with fracture altering transport pathways

## AI/ML driver:

Can we develop data-driven FEM which encodes subgrid geometric information while **preserving conservation** to treat diffusion pathways?

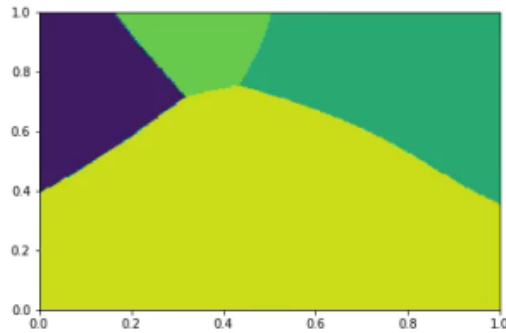


# Multiscale E&M: Radiation-hardened semiconductor design

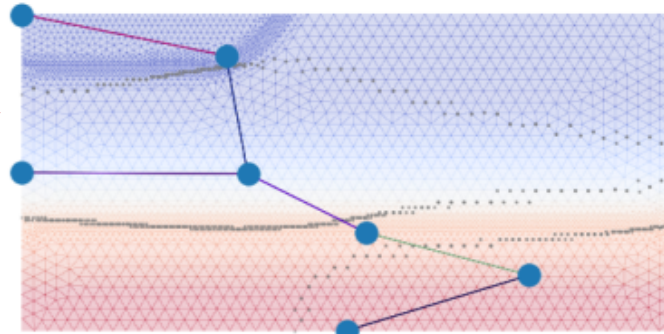


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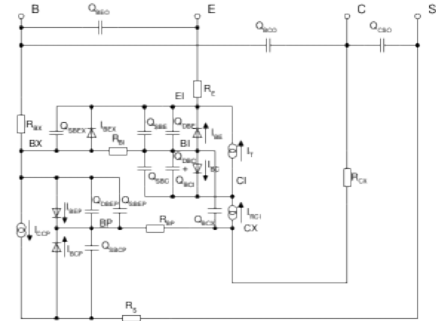
High-fidelity drift-diffusion PDE solution database



Partitioning into physics-informed subdomains



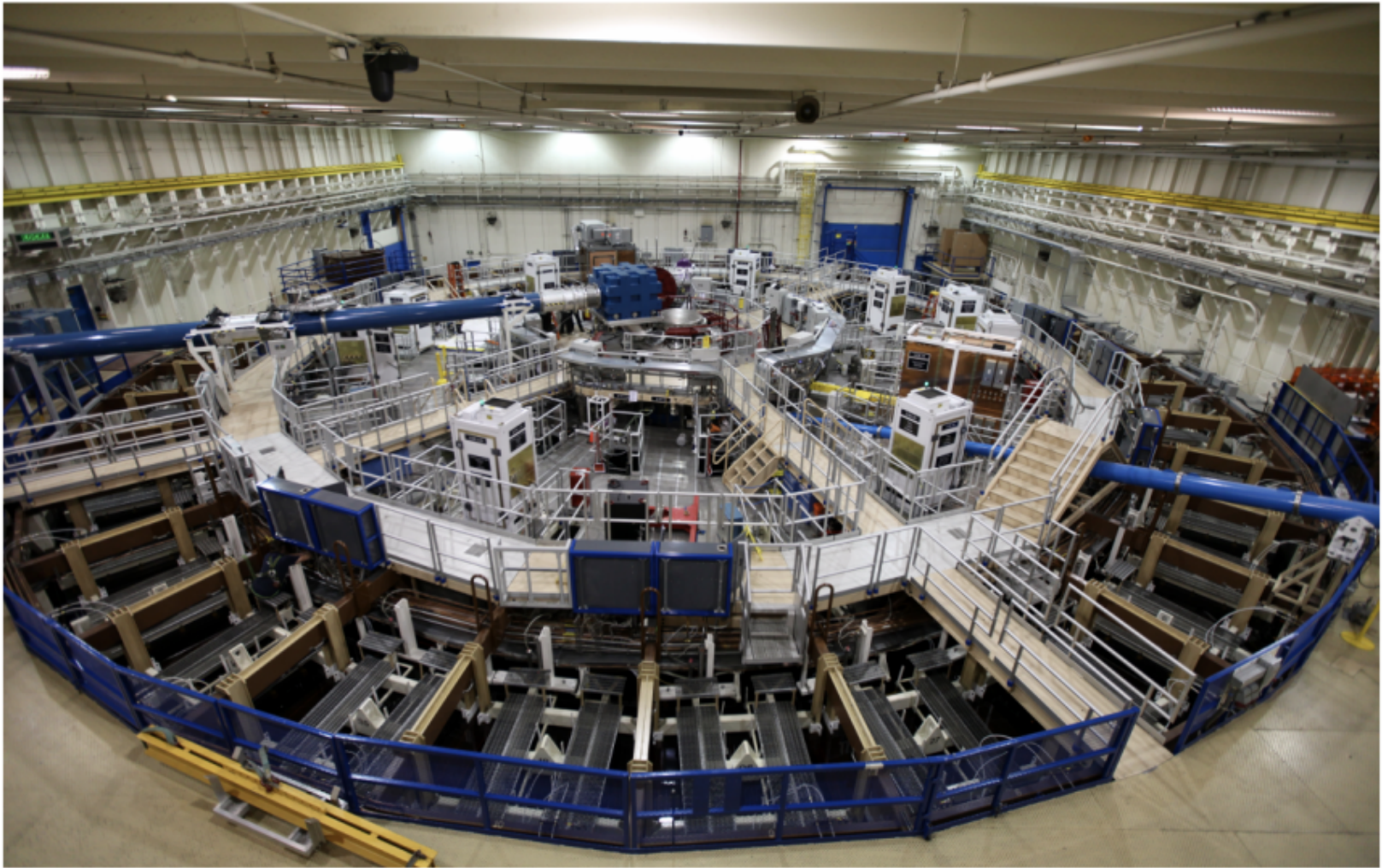
Learning data-driven graphical model for voltage-current relation



**Result:** robust surrogate embedded in production circuit simulator

- For semiconductor devices 1M element simulation (TCAD models) can't scale up to 1B transistors in your phone
- Empirical circuits (compact models) are backbone of system scale design, but can take a decade to develop. After radiation exposure, can't take a decade to recalibrate!
- **AI/ML driver: Use clustering + structure preserving ML to learn a graph surrogate model which can be embedded in a production circuit simulator**

# Shock magnetohydrodynamics on Z-machine



A pulsed power fusion facility for generating extreme environments for short times

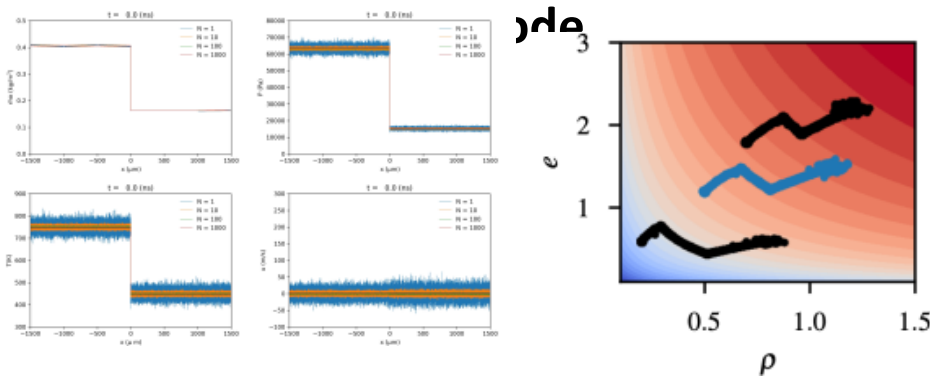
# From experiment to data-driven simulation

## Discovery of material EOS:

How to extract EOS under extreme conditions from shock response?

No direct measurements of EOS are available!

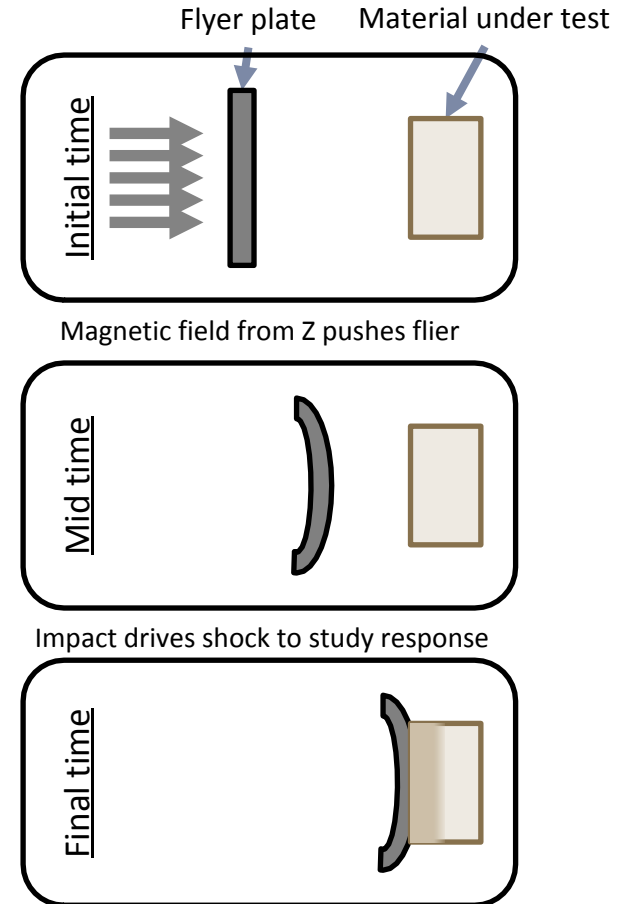
Physics requirements: Need thermodynamic consistency to reliably embed in production



Riemann data

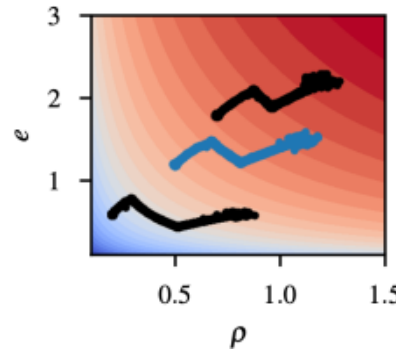
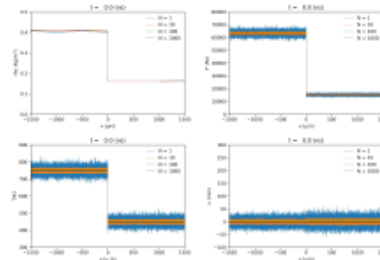
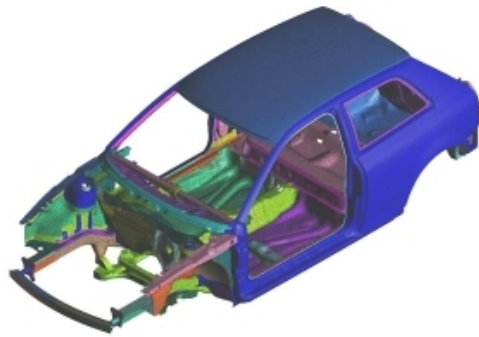


EOS for CFD/MHD

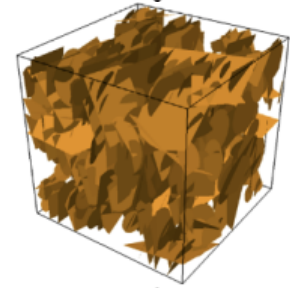


Synthetic data: MD simulations of shocked material

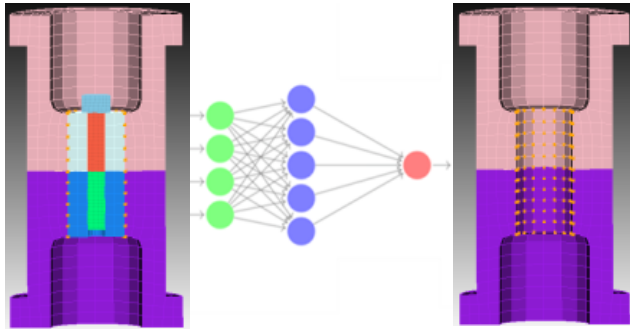
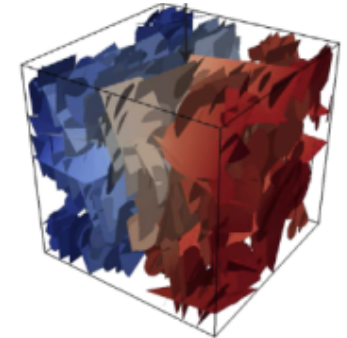
# Bridging scales: Embed data-driven components into production code



Fractured Site Characterization



Correct PFLTRAN Solution



## Data-driven fasteners

Replace bolts (1k+ elements) with single data-driven element

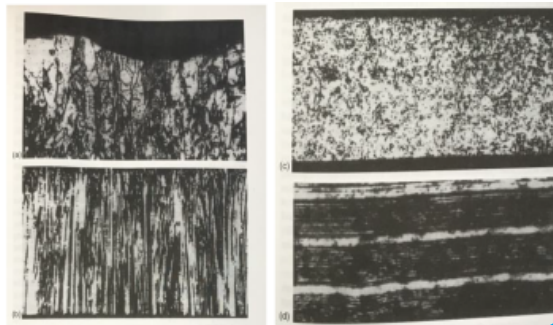
## Data-driven shock

Discover equation of state from flyer plate data from Z

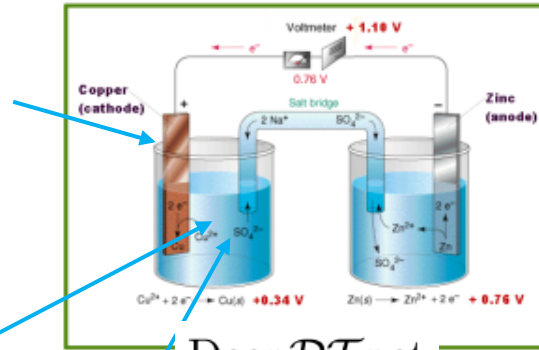
## Data-driven subsurface

Calibrate empirical fracture networks to match experimental QOI

# Data-driven digital twins for optimal control of complex systems



Microstructure

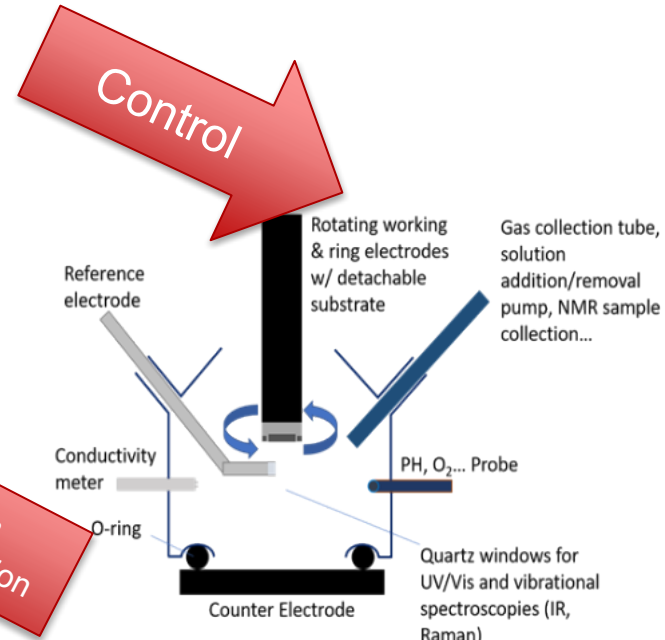


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Electrochemistry

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} D \left( \frac{z c F}{RT} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \right)$$

Transport



Robotics controlled high-throughput experiments

**Problem:** How can we provide diagnostics and control for complex systems with high dimensional parameter space, multiscale/multirate/multiphysics phenomena?

**New grand challenge LDRD project:** Discovery of exploitable fingerprints in data streams coming from high-throughput additive processes in LPBF, electroplating, vapor deposition.

**Punchline: AI/ML data-driven models embedded in high-consequence engineering applications require guarantees**

**(1) How to provide convergence guarantees  
(AKA “grid refinement”)**

Designing architectures+optimizers that actually converge

**(2) How to build surrogates that guarantee stability, physical realizability + generalizability?**

Unification of mimetic PDE discretization, algebraic topology and inverse problems

**(3) Robustness guarantees for data-driven dynamics  
in robotics and control**

Embedding geometric bracket structure in ML for reliable prediction

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### Mathematics Algorithms & Simulations

- Mathematical and algorithmic research
- Scalability, performance, credibility
- Multi-scale and multi-physics

### Information Sciences & Technology

- Artificial intelligence & machine learning
- Intelligent data collection & retention
- Data-analytics supporting high-consequence decisions

### Advanced Computing Systems

- High Performance Computing
- Platform architectures, operating systems, software environments
- Beyond Moore Computing

### Cross-Cutting CIS Strategic Initiatives (Initiated in FY20):

#### **Trusted Artificial Intelligence (AI)**

*Foundation for use of AI technologies and advancements in high-consequence national security applications*

#### **Mission Informed Computing Co-Design**

*Co-design across computing systems, software, operations, algorithms, and applications*

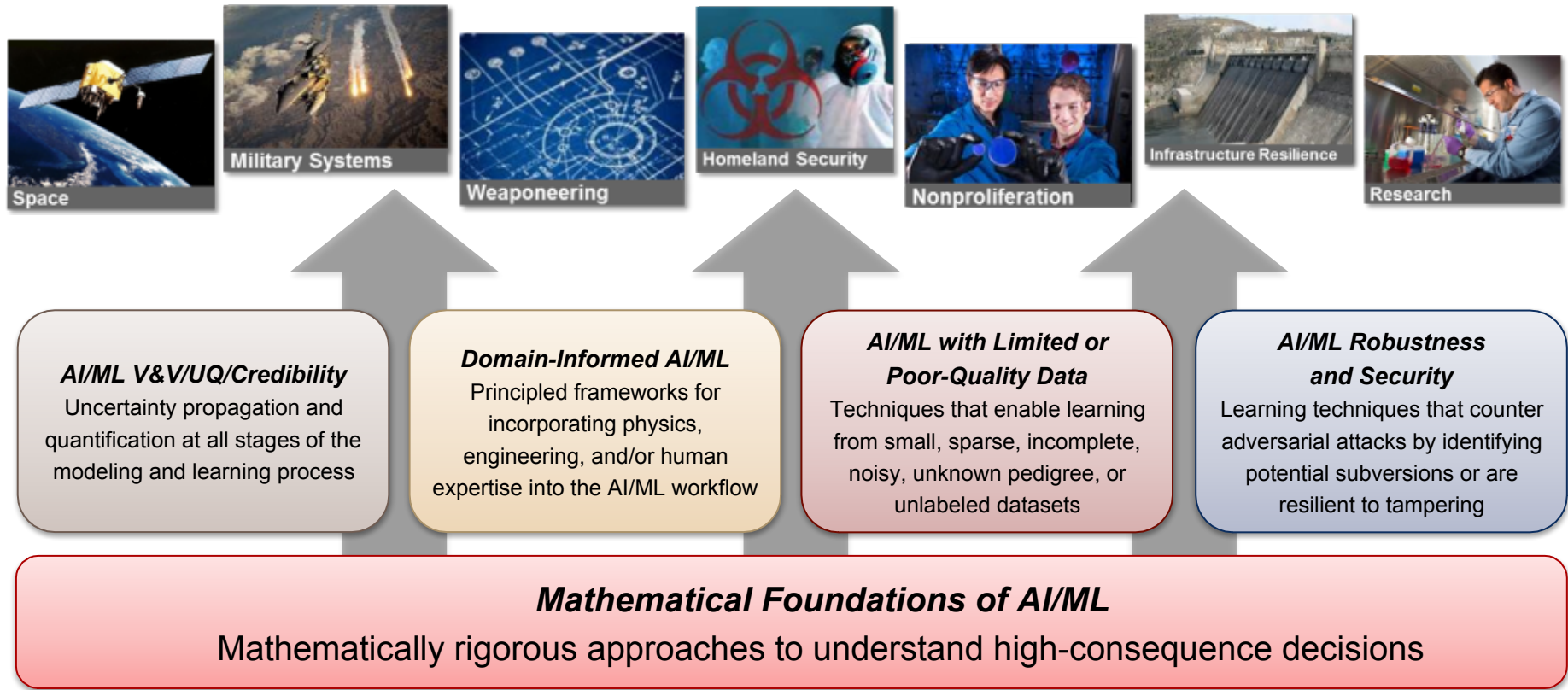
#### **Empowering Humans through Computing**

*Workflows, automation, decision support, and human-data systems*

# CIS Trusted AI Strategic Crosscut



The **Trusted AI Strategic Crosscut** is a new initiative that will coordinate a series of fundamental R&D projects to lay the foundation necessary for Sandia's scientific and national security applications.



## Ingredient 1

### Probabilistic partition of unity networks

Hybrid architectures combining deep clustering/classification  
with polynomial regression

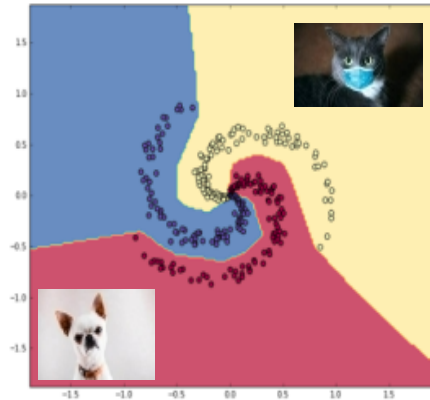
For trusted AI – need architectures which actually converge!

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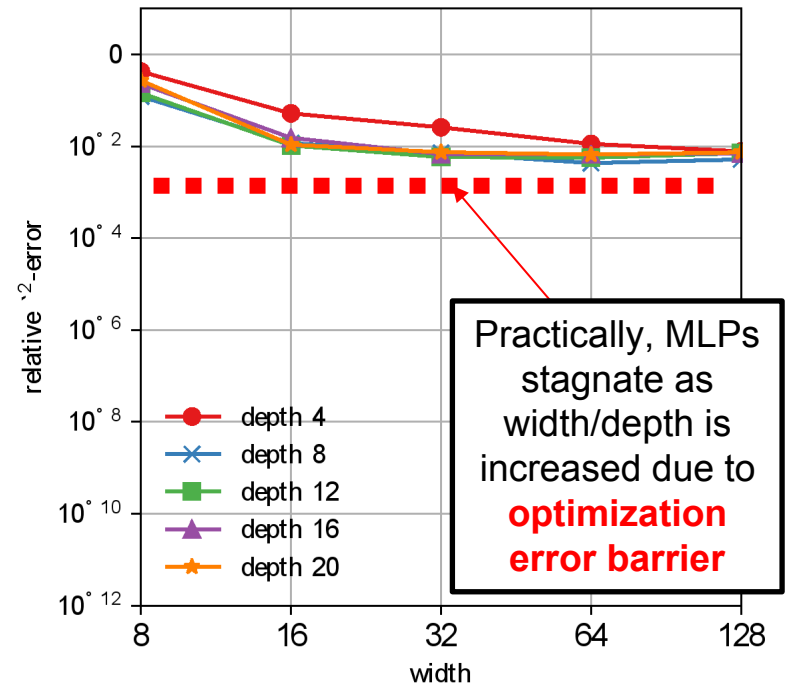
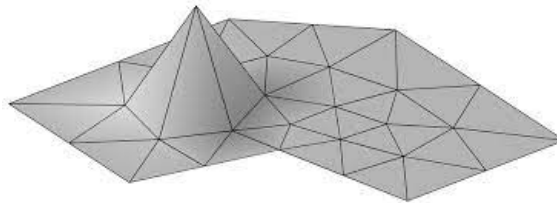
# From theory...

Opschoor et al have established **existence** of neural networks which emulate hp-elements and provide algebraic convergence rates

**Emulation of partitions of space**

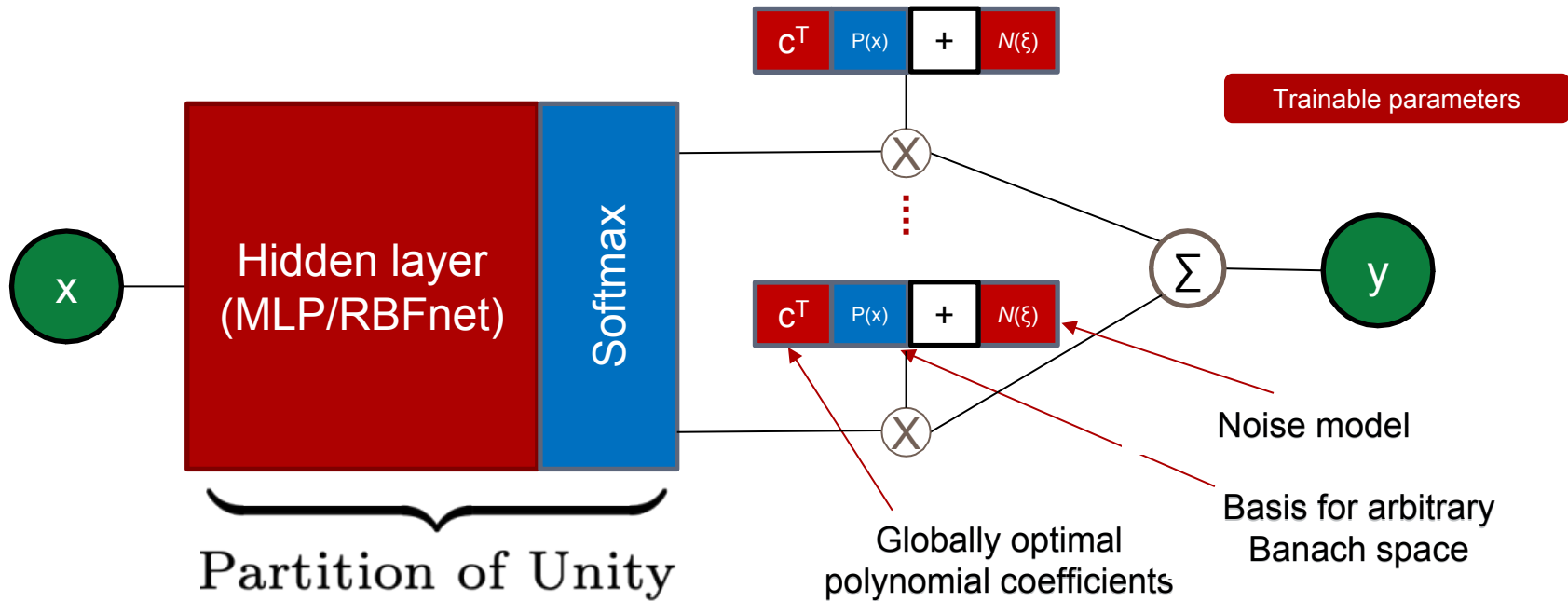


**Emulation of monomials on each partition**



**Not realized when training a network with SGD**

## ... to practice: Partition of Unity-Network

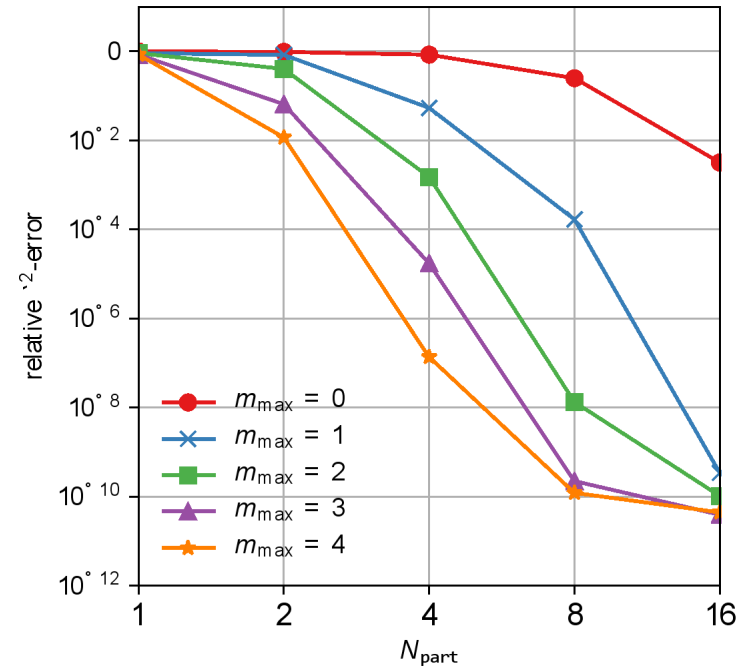
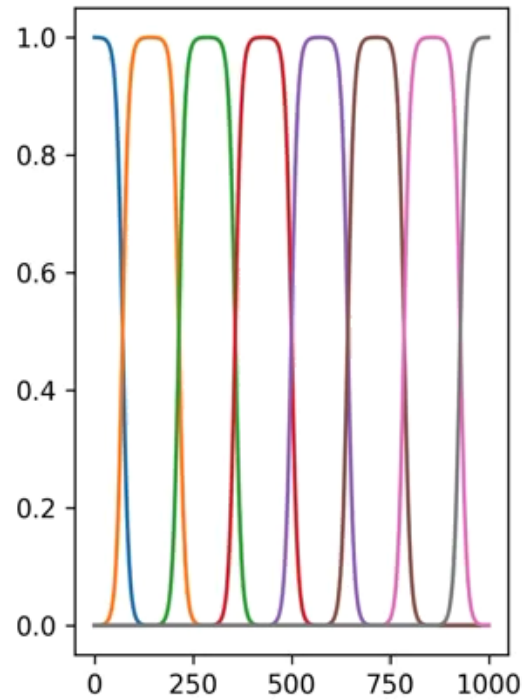
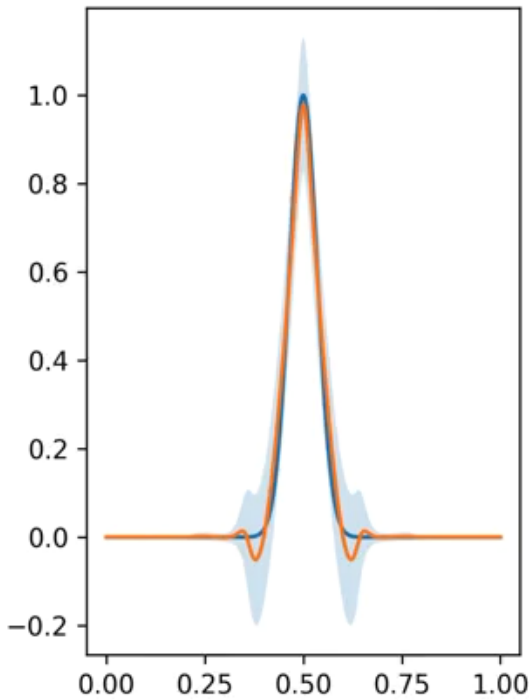


**Don't emulate polynomials + partitions – build them in directly!**

### Training:

- Maximum likelihood over dataset
- Closed form expressions for optimal polynomial fit (**embarrassingly parallel!!!**)
- SGD to move partitions

# Realization of hp-convergence during training



POUnets demonstrate  
**algebraic convergence rates**  
for smooth data

## Output:

Piecewise polynomial space with built in error estimator  
“Optimal” FEM space **bypassing mesh generation!**

# Error estimate: breaking curse of dimensionality

**Theorem 1.** Consider an approximant  $y_{POU}$  of the form (1) with  $V = \pi_m(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . If  $y(\cdot) \in C^{m+1}(\Omega)$  and  $\xi^*, c^*$  solve (3) to yield the approximant  $y_{POU}^*$ , then

$$\|y_{POU}^* - y\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 \leq C_{m,y} \max_{\alpha} \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}))^{m+1} \quad (4)$$

where  $\|y_{POU}^* - y\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}$  denotes the root-mean-square norm over the training data pairs in  $\mathcal{D}$ ,

$$\|y_{POU}^* - y\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{data}} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}, y) \in \mathcal{D}} (y_{POU}^*(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x}))^2},$$

and

$$C_{m,y} = \|y\|_{C^{m+1}(\Omega)}.$$

- If reconstructing with polynomials, and **POU with compact support** is found, we realize hp-convergence for smooth functions **independent of dimension**
- **How do we get compact support?**

*Proof.* For each  $\alpha$ , take  $q_{\alpha} \in \pi_m(\mathbb{R}^d)$  to be the  $m$ th order Taylor polynomial of  $y(\cdot)$  centered at any point of  $\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi})$ . Then for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi})$ ,

$$|q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x})| \leq C_{m,y} \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}))^{m+1}. \quad (5)$$

Define the approximant  $\tilde{y}_{POU} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$ , which is of the form (1) and represented by feasible  $(\xi, c)$ . Then by definition of  $y_{POU}^*$  and (3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{POU}^*(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x})\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 &\leq \|\tilde{y}_{POU}(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x})\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 \\ &= \left\| \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x}) \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) \right\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 \\ &= \left\| \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) (q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x})) \right\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2. \end{aligned}$$

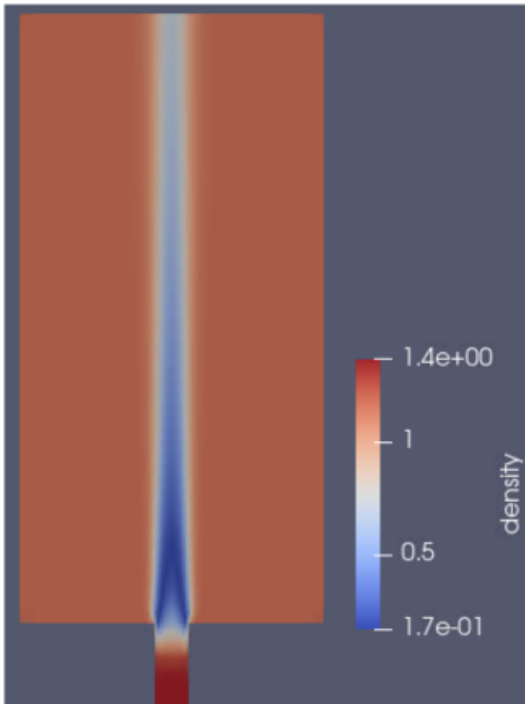
For each  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}$ , if  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{supp}(\mathcal{D})$ , then we apply (5); otherwise, the summand  $\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) (q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x}))$  vanishes. So

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{POU}^*(\mathbf{x}) - y(\mathbf{x})\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 &\leq \left\| \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} C_{m,y} \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}))^{m+1} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) \right\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 \\ &\leq C_{m,y} \max_{\alpha} \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}))^{m+1} \left\| \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{part}} \phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}(\mathbf{x}) \right\|_{\ell_2(\mathcal{D})}^2 \\ &\leq C_{m,y} \max_{\alpha} \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\phi_{\alpha}^{\xi}))^{m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

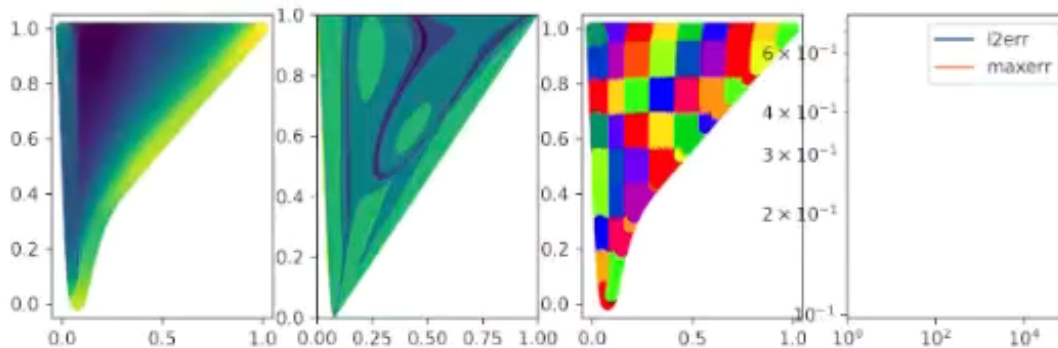
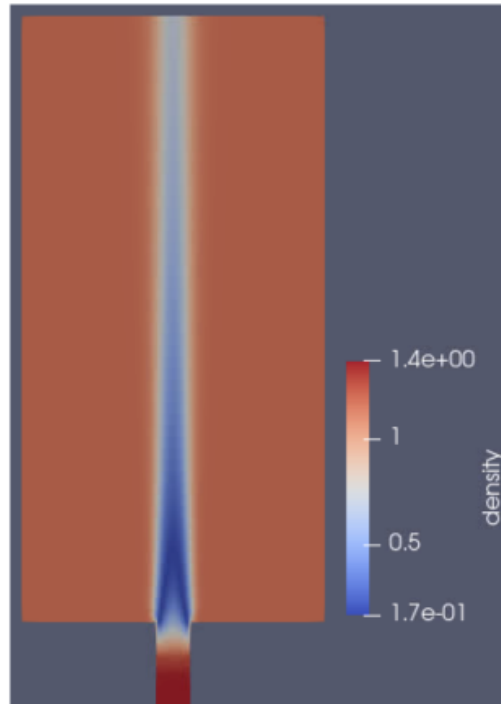
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# “Toy” problem: data-driven chemical kinetics for combustion

Lagrange



POUnet



Lookup

Error

Partitions

Residuals

Lookup tables for chemical kinetics suffer from curse-of-dimensionality

- Train a POUnet to replace tables
- Perform inference on trained network in production code

Huge memory savings

- **Before:** 1 GB/specie
- **After:** 500 KB/specie

**Impact:** Can afford higher dimensional chemistry models

Summer intern project: Elizabeth Armstrong, led by John Newson

## Ingredient 2

### Data-driven exterior calculus

Extension of mimetic discretization of PDEs to fit div/grad/curl conservation laws to graph network models

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# Two key ingredients to physics-compatible/mimetic discretization

## 1: A topological structure

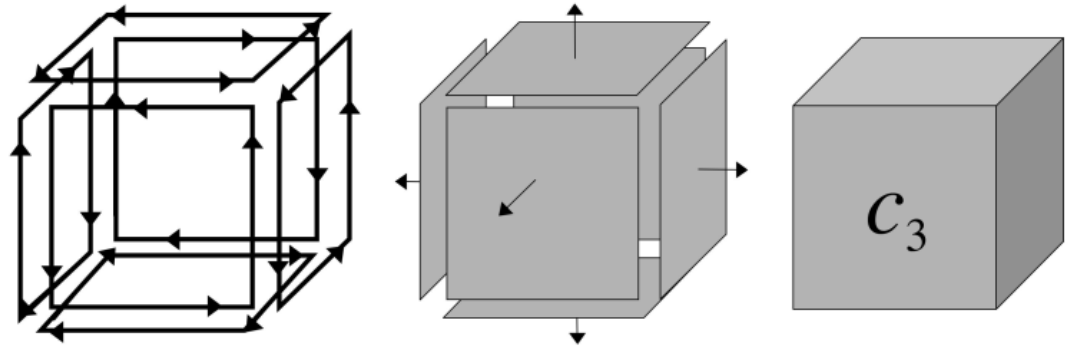
In PDE discretization this is a mesh, with boundary operators linking cells, faces, edges, and nodes

**We will use a graph as an inexpensive low-dimensional mesh surrogate**

## 2: Metric information

Measures associated with mesh entities, ensuring discrete exterior derivatives converge to div/grad/curl

**Graphs are purely topological with no natural metric, we will use ML to extract metric information from data**

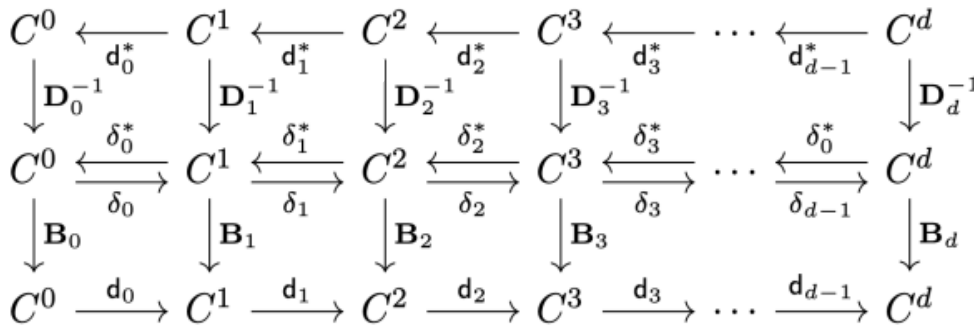


$$0 \leftarrow \partial \partial c_3 \leftarrow \partial c_3 \leftarrow c_3$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\mu(C)} \sum_{f \in \partial C} \int_f \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

# Machine-learnable graph div/grad/curl that:

- Preserve conservation structure exactly
- Provide **guaranteed solvable** data-driven models
- Handle involution + inf-sup conditions needed for electromagnetics, mechanics, subsurface
- Allow design of **equality-constrained optimizers** that enforce physics to machine  $\epsilon$



**KEY IDEA:** Algebraic topology structures provide mathematical tools for designing **guaranteed robustness independent of available data**

**Theorem 3.1.** The discrete derivatives  $d_k$  in (11) form an exact sequence if the simplicial complex is exact, and in particular  $d_{k+1} \circ d_k = 0$ . In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , we have  $CURL_h \circ GRAD_h = DIV_h \circ CURL_h = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** The discrete derivatives  $d_k^*$  in (11) form an exact sequence of the simplicial complex is exact, and in particular  $d_k^* \circ d_{k+1}^* = 0$ . In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $DIV_h^* \circ CURL_h^* = CURL_h^* \circ GRAD_h^* = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.3** (Hodge Decomposition). For  $C^k$ , the following decomposition holds

$$C^k = \text{im}(d_{k-1}) \oplus_k \ker(\Delta_k) \oplus_k \text{im}(d_k^*), \quad (17)$$

where  $\oplus_k$  means the orthogonality with respect to the  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{D_k B_k^{-1}}$ -inner product.

**Theorem 3.4** (Poincaré inequality). For each  $k$ , there exists a constant  $c_{P,k}$  such that

$$\|z_k\|_{D_k B_k^{-1}} \leq c_{P,k} \|d_k z_k\|_{D_{k+1} B_{k+1}^{-1}}, \quad z_k \in \text{im}(d_k^*),$$

and another constant  $c_{P,k}^*$  such that

$$\|z_k\|_{D_k B_k^{-1}} \leq c_{P,k}^* \|d_{k-1}^* z_k\|_{D_{k-1} B_{k-1}^{-1}}, \quad z_k \in \text{im}(d_{k-1}).$$

Thus, for  $u_k \in C^k$ , we have

$$\inf_{h_k \in \ker(\Delta_k)} \|u_k - h_k\|_{D_k B_k^{-1}} \leq C \left( \|d_k u_k\|_{D_{k+1} B_{k+1}^{-1}} + \|d_{k-1}^* u_k\|_{D_{k-1} B_{k-1}^{-1}} \right),$$

where constant  $C > 0$  only depends on  $c_{P,k}$  and  $c_{P,k}^*$ .

**Theorem 3.5** (Invertibility of Hodge Laplacian). The  $k^{\text{th}}$ -order Hodge Laplacian  $\Delta_k$  is positive-semidefinite, with the dimension of its null-space equal to the dimension of the corresponding homology  $H^k = \ker(d_k) / \text{im}(d_{k-1})$ .

**Theorem 0.1.** Assume  $\mathcal{NN}$  has Lipschitz constant  $L_N$  and that  $\mathcal{NN}(0) = 0$ . If  $\epsilon L_N < 1$ , then the model problem has unique solution  $u_k \in \mathbb{V}$  satisfying

$$\|u_k\|_a \leq \frac{\|f\|_{-a}}{(1 - \epsilon L_N)}. \quad (1)$$

# General optimization problem

Fluxes:  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{u}_k + \epsilon \mathcal{N} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{u}_k; \xi),$

Conservation:  $\mathbf{d}_{k-1}^* \mathbf{d}_{k-1}^* \mathbf{u}_k + \mathbf{d}_k^* \mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{f}_k.$

➔  $a(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{D}) + N_{\mathbf{v}}[\mathbf{u}; \xi] = b(\mathbf{v})$

Invertible bilinear form  
w/ metric params

Nonlinear perturbation  
with DNN params

## Output

Without assuming a governing equation, get a variational model guaranteed to be **exactly**:

- Stable
- Solvable
- Structure-preserving

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{D}, \xi} \|\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}_{\text{data}}\|^2$$

such that  $\mathcal{L}[\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{D}, \xi] = 0$

## Ingredient 3

### **Data-driven Whitney forms extracting DDEC from POU-nets**

Extraction of a discrete Stokes theorem from partitions in  
POU-nets

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# A Gauss divergence theorem from a POU

**Idea:** If POU provides automatic differentiable generalization of an indicator function on a cell, can we generalize the Gauss divergence theorem?

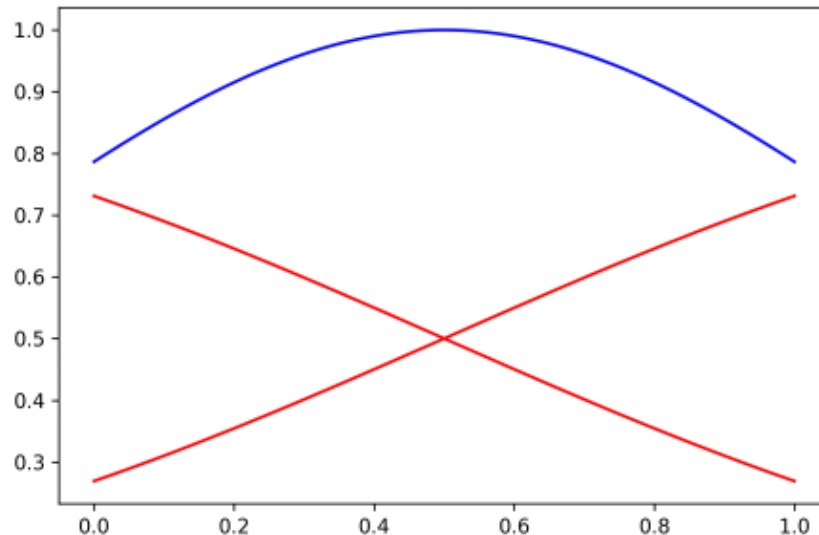
$$\int_c \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} dx = \int_{f \in \partial c} \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{A}$$

POUs generalize cell

If we can define a boundary operator, then we obtain a conservative discrete divergence

Red: POU on cells  
Blue: Boundary of POU

In limit of disjoint partitions, want to recover oriented Dirac distribution



# Whitney forms defining data-driven differential forms

- Let  $\psi_i = \phi_i$ . Define a function space  $V_0 = \{\sum_i c_i \psi_i(x) \mid c_i \in \mathbb{R}^{N_0}\}$ .
- Integrating by parts we obtain

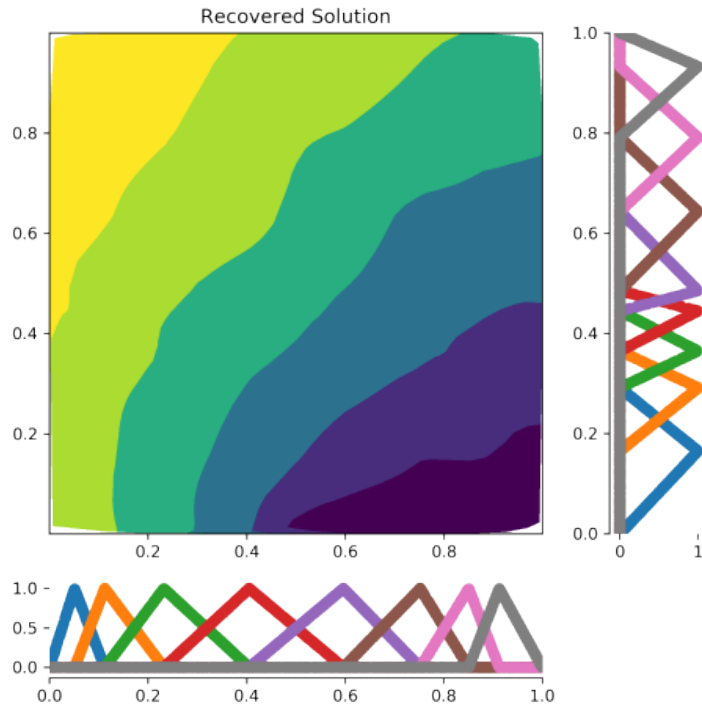
$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} \psi_i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi_i \cdot \mathbf{u} + \int \phi_i \mathbf{u} \cdot dA \\ &= - \sum_j \int_{\Omega} \phi_j \nabla \phi_i \cdot \mathbf{u} + \int \phi_i \mathbf{u} \cdot dA \\ &= \sum_{j \neq i} \int_{\Omega} (\phi_i \nabla \phi_j - \phi_j \nabla \phi_i) \cdot \mathbf{u} + \int \phi_i \mathbf{u} \cdot dA \\ &= \sum_{j \neq i} \int_{\Omega} \psi_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \int \phi_i \mathbf{u} \cdot dA\end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_{ij} = \phi_i \nabla \phi_j - \phi_j \nabla \phi_i$ , and we note that  $\psi_{ij} = -\psi_{ji}$ .

**H(grad) Whitney form. Same construction holds  
in higher dim to obtain de Rham complex on arbitrary manifolds**

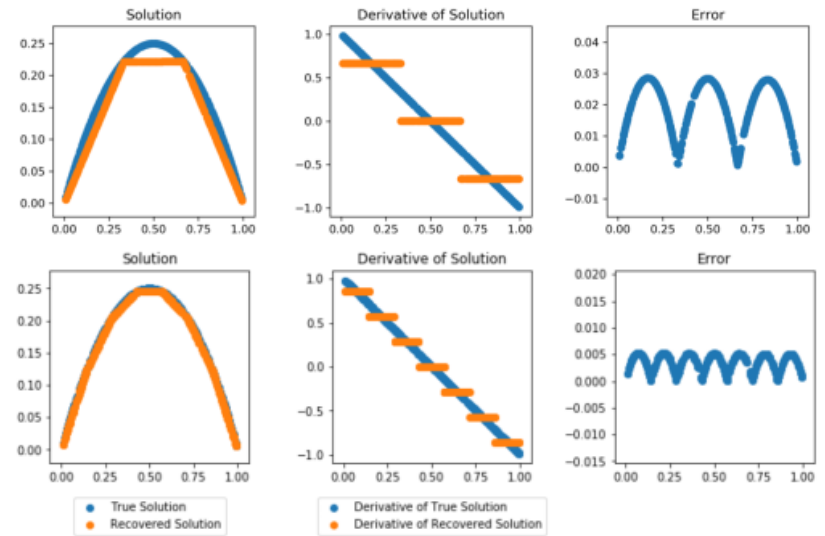
# A necessary ingredient: POU allowing exact quadrature

**Idea:** Beyond this current project, any variational method requires integration of neural networks. Can we design POU-Net with closed form exact quadrature?



$$\begin{aligned}
 -\Delta u &= 0 & \text{on } \Omega' &= [-1, 1] \times [0, 1] \\
 \partial_n u &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_N &= [-1, 0] \times \{0\} \\
 u &= g(r, \theta) & \text{on } \Gamma_D &= \partial\Omega' \setminus \Gamma_N.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \int_{\Omega'} D\Phi D\Phi^T + \beta \int_{\Gamma_D} \Phi\Phi^T, \quad b = \beta \int_{\Gamma_D} g\Phi.$$

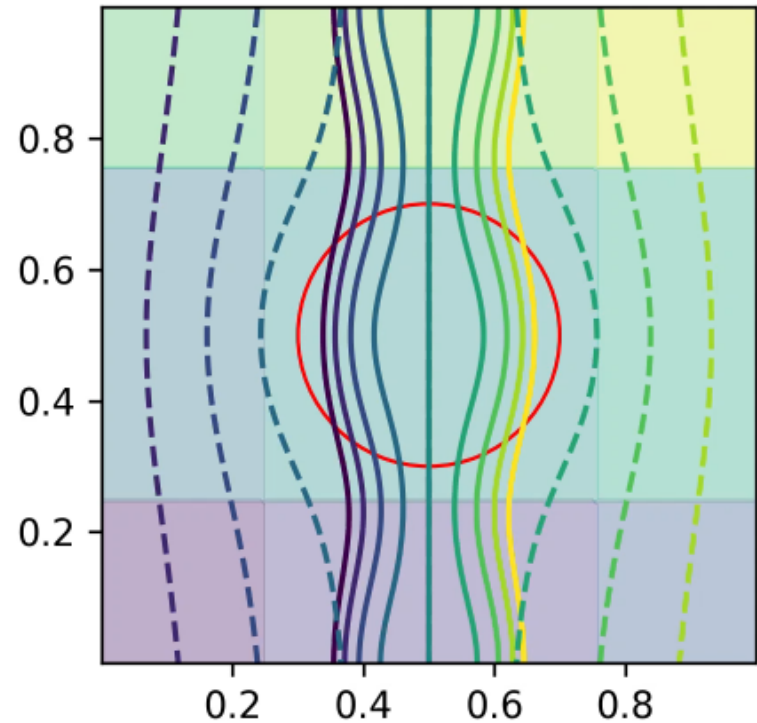
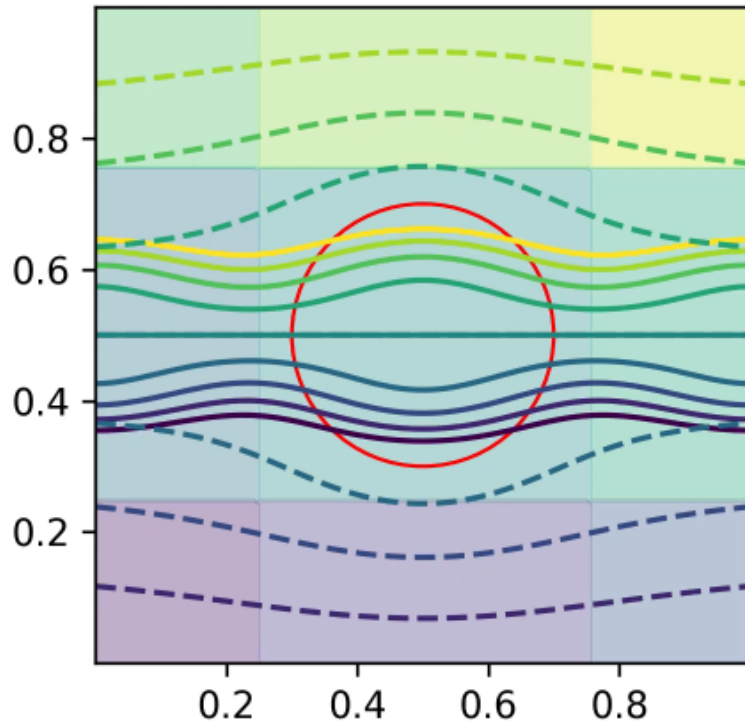


**For example applying to DeepRitz network:**

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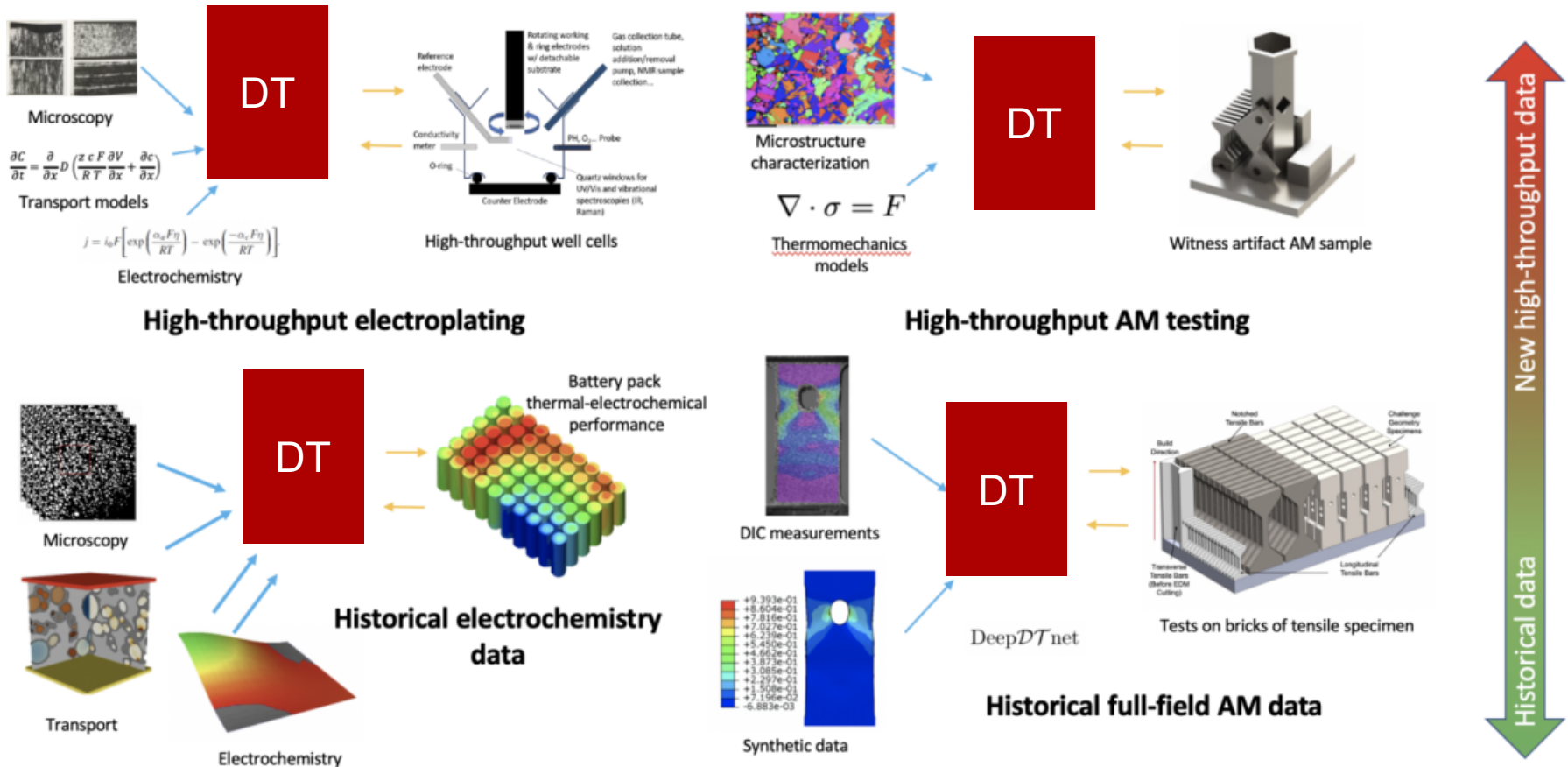
# Finally: POUs + DDEC = Discovery of multiscale FEM



Obtain a finite element with microstructure embedded in terms of local conservation balances

# Digital Twins for High-throughput Testing

PDE-based simulation is too expensive for real-time active control.  
 Need **fast surrogates** to blend **heterogeneous data** amenable to varying degrees of physics-based modeling



# Digital Twins for High-throughput Testing

Operator regression – replace PDE solves with DNNs trained to lookup parameterized PDE solutions

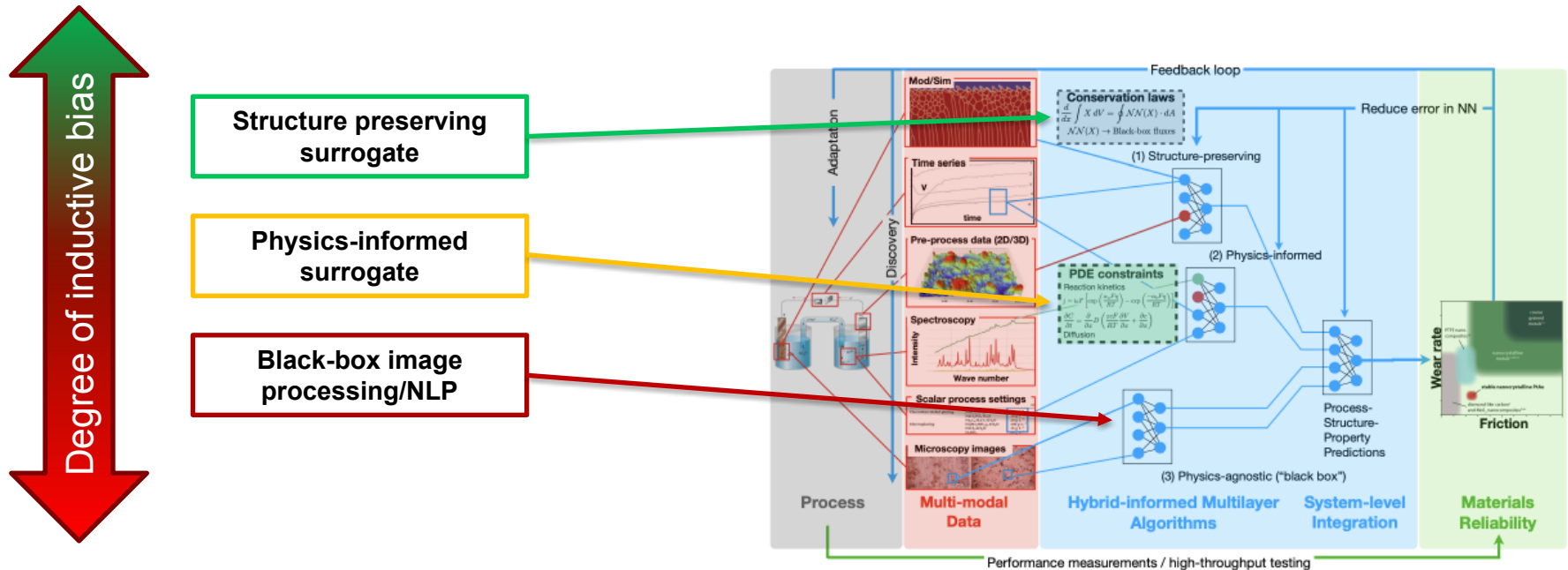
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“Black box” – no required model

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$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathcal{N}\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \xi)$$

**No modeling required**  
**Bad generalization**  
**Difficult training**

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = F(\mathbf{x}; \xi)$$

**Need first principles starting point**  
**Good forecasting**  
**Easy to train**

# Data-driven dynamical systems for forecasting

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Structure-preserving ML

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**Reversible Systems Only!**

**Learn a gradient flow with underlying conserved quantity (Casimir)**

**Symplectic flow implies conserved phase area = no exploding/vanishing gradients**

**Better forecasting, accuracy, and stability**

**Control for robotics (neglecting friction!)**

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{J}_{\theta_1} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}; \theta_2)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{\theta_1} = -\mathbf{J}_{\theta_1}^T$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{H}}{dt} = 0$$

# Metriplectic dynamical systems generalize Hamiltonian/Lagrangian dynamics to dissipative systems

## Hamiltonian

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{J} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J}^{\top}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{H}}{dt} = 0$$

## Port-Hamiltonian

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = (\mathbf{J} - \mathbf{R}) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{J} = -\mathbf{J}^{\top} \quad \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}^{\top}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{H}}{dt} \leq 0$$

## GENERIC

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{L} = -\mathbf{L}^{\top} \quad \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^{\top}$$

$$\mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S} = \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E} = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{d\mathcal{S}}{dt} \geq 0$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \underbrace{\{A, E\}}_{\text{Reversible}} + \underbrace{[A, S]}_{\text{Irreversible}}$$

Reversible Irreversible

# GENERIC: some more details

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{L} = -\mathbf{L}^\top \quad \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S} = \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E} = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{d\mathcal{S}}{dt} \geq 0$$

An algebraic structure for tracking generalized Hamiltonians (Casimirs)

Classically, a model is derived from first principles and one notices GENERIC structure

**We parameterize algebraic structure and discover dissipative model**

## First law of thermodynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}^\top \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} \\ &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}^\top (\mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x})) \\ &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}^\top \mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^\top \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Second law of thermodynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{S}}{dt} &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^\top \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} \\ &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^\top (\mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x})) \\ &= -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{E}^\top \mathbf{L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^\top \mathbf{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Fluctuation dissipation theorem

$$d\mathbf{x}_t = \left( \underbrace{L \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{x}}}_{\text{Reversible}} + \underbrace{M \frac{\partial S}{\partial \mathbf{x}}}_{\text{Irreversible dissipation}} + \underbrace{k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \cdot M}_{\text{Thermal noise}} \right) dt + \sqrt{2k_B M} dW_t$$

- **Exact treatment of reversible and irreversible dynamics allows introduction of thermal forcing which *exactly* balances dissipation**
- **Implies existence of long time stationary statistics for equilibrium processes, amenable to large deviations theory**
- **A data-driven alternative to Mori-Zwanzig formalisms. Memory effects are encoded through the evolution of entropy and no need to treat complicated memory effects with integral kernels**

# Toy example: piston driven by two gases

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{p}{m},$$

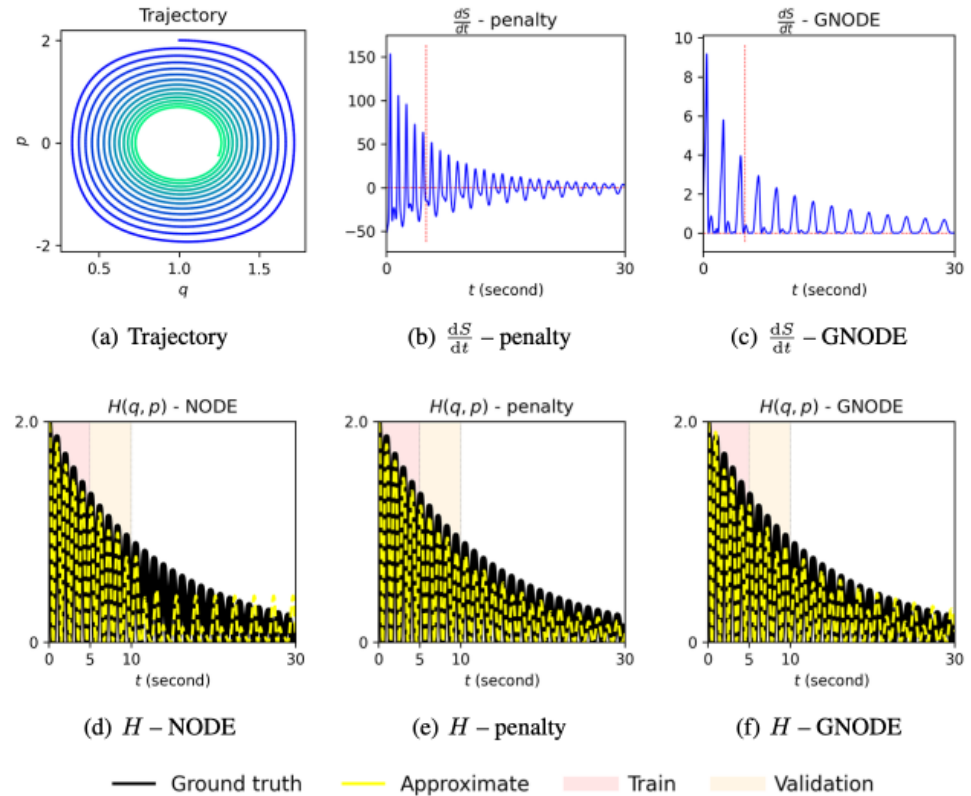
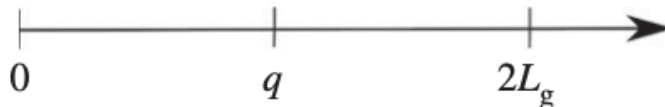
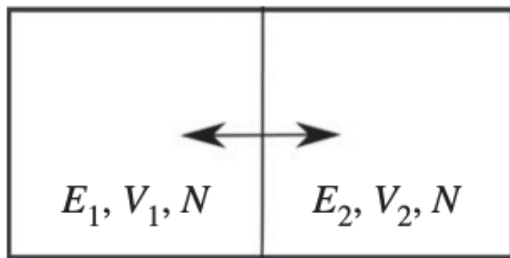
$$\frac{dS_1}{dt} = \frac{9N^2 k_B^2 \alpha}{4E_1} \left( \frac{1}{E_1} - \frac{1}{E_2} \right)$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{E_1}{p} - \frac{E_2}{2L_g - p} \right)$$

$$\frac{dS_2}{dt} = -\frac{9N^2 k_B^2 \alpha}{4E_1} \left( \frac{1}{E_1} - \frac{1}{E_2} \right)$$

$$\frac{S_i}{Nk_B} = \ln \left[ \hat{c} V_i (E_i)^{3/2} \right], \quad i = 1, 2$$

$$V_1 = q A_c \quad \text{and} \quad V_2 = (2L_g - q) A_c$$



- **Black box neuralODE generalizes poorly**
- **Structure preservation = reliable extrapolation**

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## Open source software

- GMLS-nets: learning from unstructured data through meshfree approximation (<https://github.com/rgp62/gmls-net>)
- MOR-Physics: Modal Operator Regression for physics discovery (<https://github.com/rgp62/MOR-Physics>)