ADCME Machine Learning for Computational Engineering

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Forward Problem



Inverse Problem



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$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\mathbf{f}, u_h) = 0$$

What if the unknown is a function instead of a set of parameters?

- Koopman operator in dynamical systems.
- Constitutive relations in solid mechanics.
- Turbulent closure relations in fluid mechanics.

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The candidate solution space is infinite dimensional.

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Physics Based Machine Learning

 $\min_{a} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(NN_{\theta}, u_h) = 0$

- Deep neural networks exhibit capability of approximating high dimensional and complicated functions.
- **Physics based machine learning**: the unknown function is approximated by a deep neural network, and the physical constraints are enforced by numerical schemes.
- Satisfy the physics to the largest extent.



Gradient Based Optimization

$$\min_{\theta} L_h(u_h) \quad \text{s.t. } F_h(\theta, u_h) = 0 \tag{1}$$

- We can now apply a gradient-based optimization method to (1).
- The key is to calculate the gradient descent direction g^k

$$\theta^{k+1} \leftarrow \theta^k - \alpha g^k$$



Automatic Differentiation

The fact that bridges the technical gap between machine learning and inverse modeling:

• Deep learning (and many other machine learning techniques) and numerical schemes share the same computational model: composition of individual operators.



Computational Graph for Numerical Schemes

- To leverage automatic differentiation for inverse modeling, we need to express the numerical schemes in the "AD language": computational graph.
- No matter how complicated a numerical scheme is, it can be decomposed into a collection of operators that are interlinked via state variable dependencies.



A General Approach to Inverse Modeling



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FEM/FVM on Structured Grids

• Steady-state Navier-Stokes equation

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• Inverse problem are ubiquitous in fluid dynamics:



Figure: Left: electronic cooling; right: nasal drug delivery.

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FEM/FVM on Structure Grids



FEM/FVM on Structure Grids

- Data: (*u*, *v*)
- Unknown: $\nu(\mathbf{x})$ (represented by a deep neural network)
- Prediction: *p* (absent in the training data)
- The DNN provides regularization, which generalizes the estimation better!

