

Multilevel PINNs (MPINNs)

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The context

The problem: numerical approximation of PDE's solutions.

- ▶ *Classical approaches:* discretization and multigrid methods (MG)
- ▶ *New advances in machine learning:* Physics Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)

Our objective:

Transfer the advantages of the first approach to the second.

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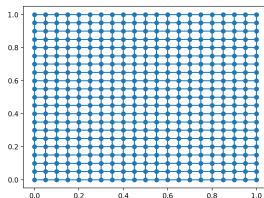
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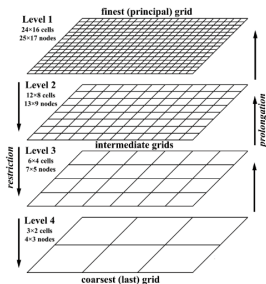
The numerical solution of PDEs

- ▶ Classically PDEs are **discretized** on a grid using finite differences or finite elements
- ▶ The resulting **linear system** $Au = f$ is solved using a fixed point iterative method (Gauss-Seidel or Jacobi)
- ▶ The size of the grids impacts the **size of the system** and the **accuracy** of the solution approximation



Multigrid methods for PDEs

State-of-the-art methods for PDEs: exploit representation of the problem at different scales



- ▶ Fine scales: eliminate **high frequency** components of the error
- ▶ Coarse scales: eliminate **low frequency** components of the error

The intuition behind multigrid methods

- ▶ A question of wavelength
- ▶ Example: consider $\Delta u = 0$, and take an initial guess consisting of the k -th Fourier mode $v_k(j) = \sin\left(\frac{kj\pi}{n}\right)$

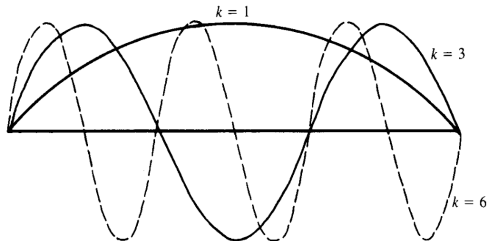
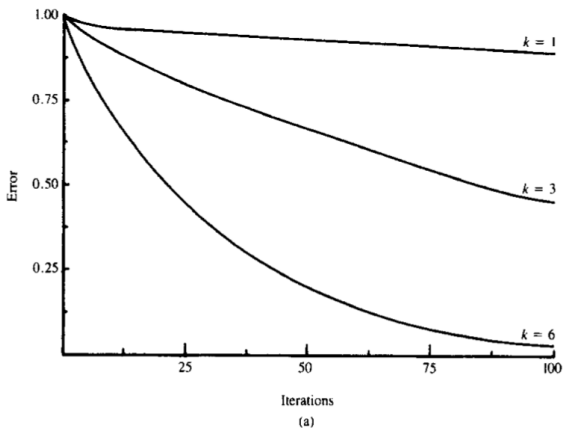


Figure 2.2: The modes $v_j = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi}{n}\right)$, $0 \leq j \leq n$, with wavenumbers $k = 1, 3, 6$. The k th mode consists of $\frac{k}{2}$ full sine waves on the interval.

The intuition behind multigrid methods

- ▶ The *smoothing property*: hard for fixed point iterative methods to reduce the low frequency components of the error



The intuition behind multigrid methods

- ▶ How does a smooth component look like on a coarser grid?

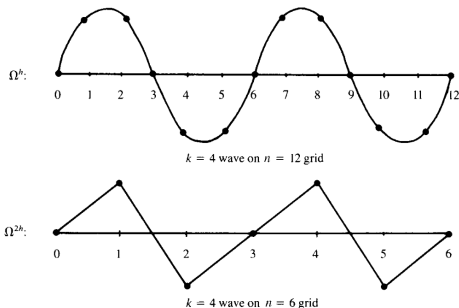


Figure 3.1: Wave with wavenumber $k = 4$ on Ω^h ($n = 12$ points) projected onto Ω^{2h} ($n = 6$ points). The coarse grid “sees” a wave that is more oscillatory on the coarse grid than on the fine grid.

Two-level multigrid methods

Consider a (possibly nonlinear) PDE:

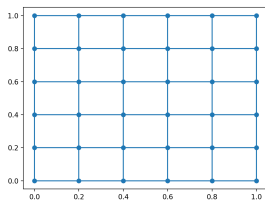
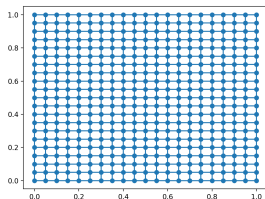
$$A(u) = f.$$

Consider two discretizations of the same system:

- ▶ Fine grid: $A_h(u_h) = f_h$
- ▶ Coarse grid: $A_H(u_H) = f_H$

Idea: write the solution u as the **sum of a fine and a coarse term**:

$$u \sim \underbrace{v_h}_{\in \mathbb{R}^h} + P \left(\underbrace{e_H}_{\in \mathbb{R}^H} \right), \quad H < h.$$



Two-level multigrid methods

Build operators to transfer the information between the two levels

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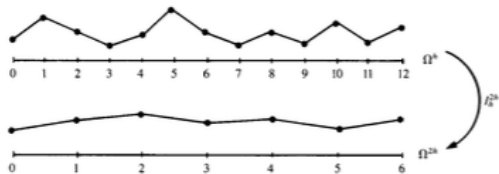
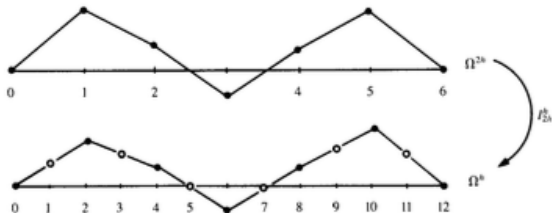


Figure 3.4: *Restriction by full weighting of a fine-grid vector to the coarse grid.*

P :



Two-level multigrid methods

Update the two components **alternatively**:

$$u \sim \underbrace{v_h}_{\in \mathbb{R}^h} + P(\underbrace{e_H}_{\in \mathbb{R}^H}), \quad H < h.$$

- ▶ *Fine level*: get v_h by iterating on

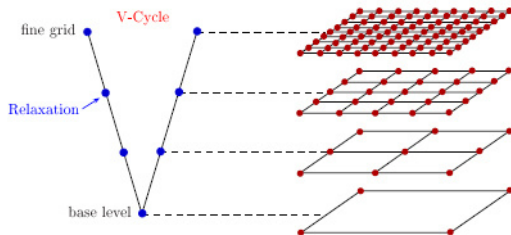
$$A_h(u) = f_h$$

- ▶ *Coarse level*: compute correction by the residual equation:

$$A_H(Rv_h + e_H) = A_H(Rv_h) + R(f_h - A_h(v_h))$$

- ▶ Correct: $v_h \leftarrow v_h + P(e_H)$

General multigrid methods



Optimal complexity for problems with diagonally dominant Fourier decomposition!

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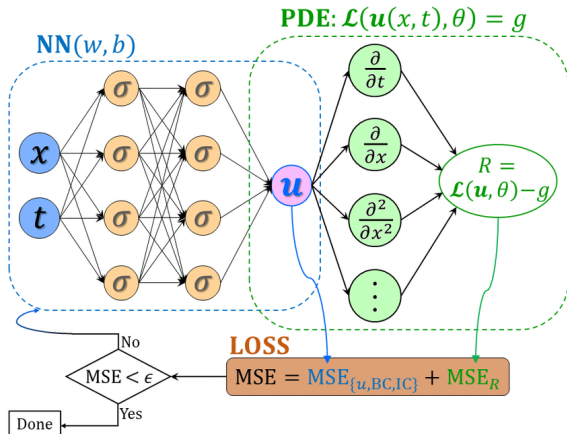
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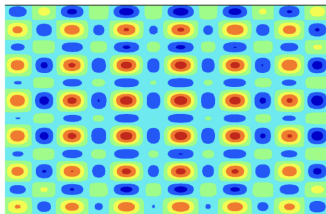
Physics Informed Neural Networks

General principle



How does a PINN work?

On the spectral bias of neural networks



On the Spectral Bias of Neural Networks

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WHEN AND WHY PINNS FAIL TO TRAIN: A NEURAL TANGENT KERNEL PERSPECTIVE

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⇒ a standard single NN does **not** smooth the signal !

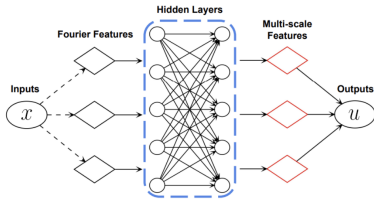
On the spectral bias of neural networks (1)

ON THE EIGENVECTOR BIAS OF FOURIER FEATURE NETWORKS:
FROM REGRESSION TO SOLVING MULTI-SCALE PDES WITH
PHYSICS-INFORMED NEURAL NETWORKS

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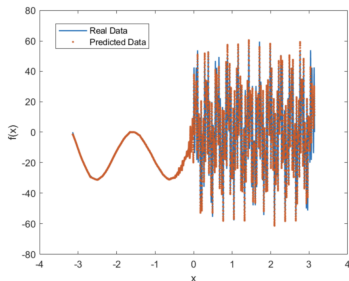
$$\gamma^{(i)}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\pi \mathbf{B}^{(i)} \mathbf{x}) \\ \sin(2\pi \mathbf{B}^{(i)} \mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

On the spectral bias of neural networks (2)

A PHASE SHIFT DEEP NEURAL NETWORK FOR HIGH
FREQUENCY APPROXIMATION AND WAVE PROBLEMS *

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$$T(x) = \sum_{m=1}^M A_m \cos(\omega_m x) + B_m \sin(\omega_m x)$$



Mscale networks (1)

Multi-scale Deep Neural Network (MscaleDNN) for Solving Poisson-Boltzmann Equation in Complex Domains

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$$f_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}[\widehat{f}_i(\mathbf{k})](\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) * \chi_{A_i}^\vee(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \sim \sum_{i=1}^M f_{\theta^i}(\alpha_i \mathbf{x}).$$

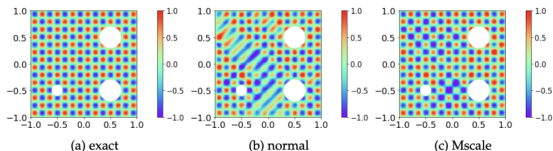
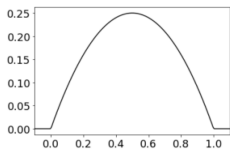


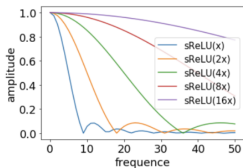
Figure 17: Exact and numerical solution for the Poisson equation in domain 1.

Mscale networks (2)

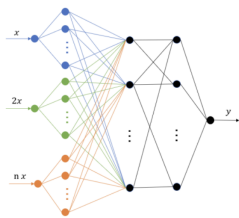
Idea: **simultaneous** training of frequency-selective subnetworks



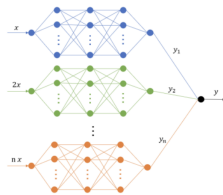
(b) sReLU



(a) sReLU



(a) MscaleDNN-1



(b) MscaleDNN-2

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Multilevel PINNs: formulation

Problem definition

$$\begin{aligned}D(z, u(z)) &= f(z), \quad z \in \Omega, \\u_{sol} &= u_H + u_h\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{L}_h(\theta_h) = RMSE_{resh}(\theta_h) + RMSE_{datah}(\theta_h)$$

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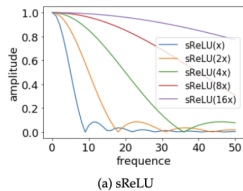
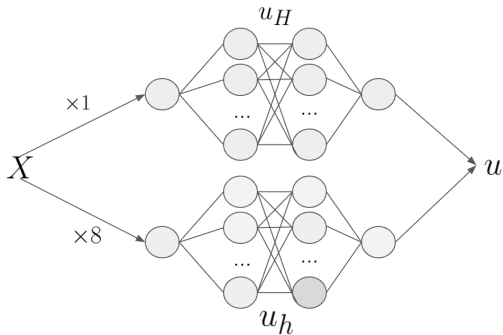
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With z_H the coarse sampling

Multilevel PINNs (0)

Also exploit frequency-selective subnetworks

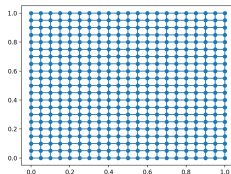
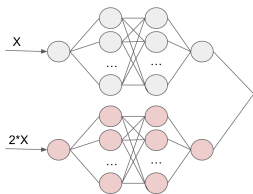


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Algorithm 2-level training of PINNs

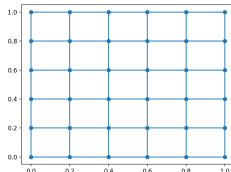
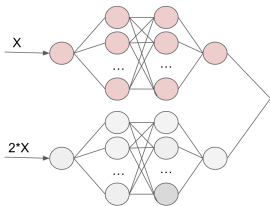
- 1: Freeze coarse-network parameters, unfreeze fine-network parameters
- 2: **for** $i=1,2,\dots$ **do**
- 3: Perform ν_1 epochs for the minimization of the fine problem
- 4: Freeze fine-network parameters, unfreeze coarse-network parameters
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- 6: **end for**
- 7: Return : $u_H + u_h$



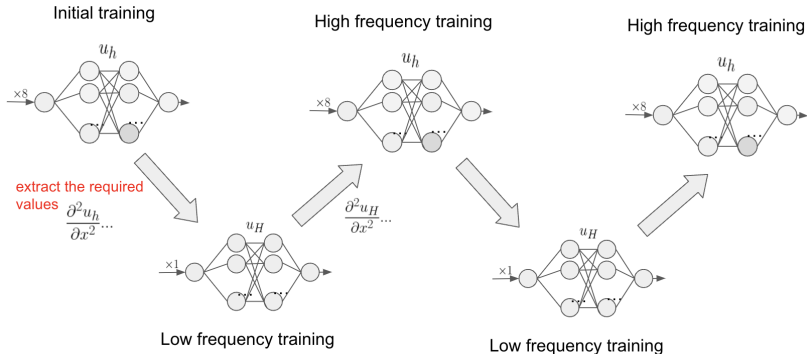
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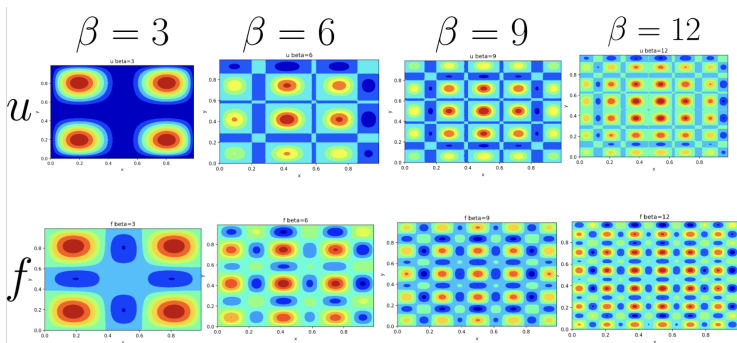


V-cycling between two levels



A simple Poisson problem

- ▶ $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$
- ▶ $\Delta u = f \quad \forall x \in \Omega$
- ▶ $u = 0 \quad \forall x \in \partial\Omega$
- ▶ $u(x, y) = (\sin(\pi x) + \sin(\beta\pi x)) * (\sin(\pi y) + \sin(\beta\pi y))$



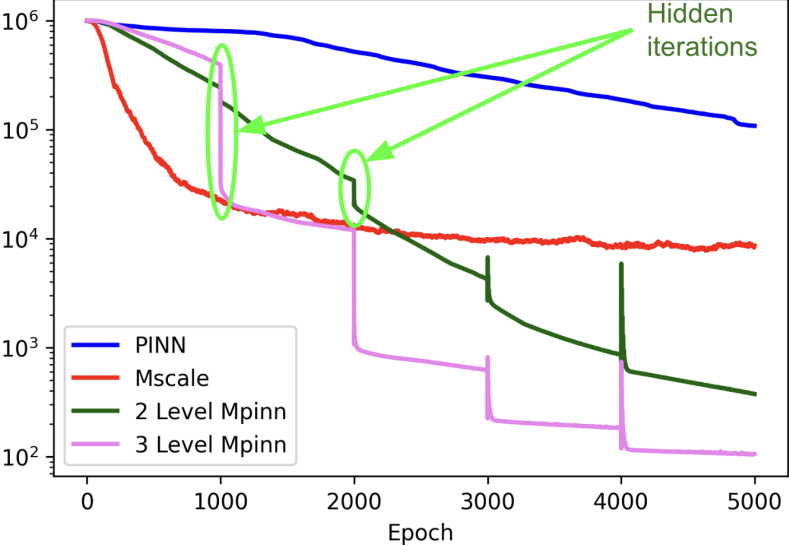
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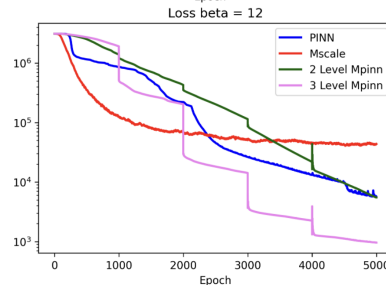
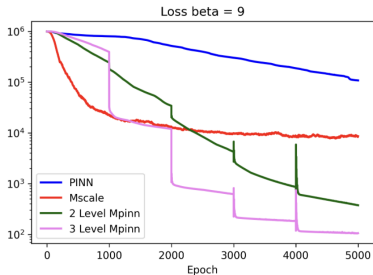
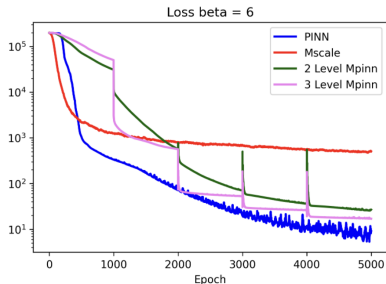
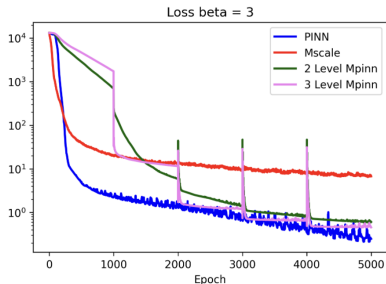
- ▶ The PINNs have two hidden layers of 300 neurons each.
- ▶ The Mscale have four subnetworks of two hidden layers of 150 neurons each, the input scaling used are 1,2,4 and 8.
- ▶ The two-level MPINN is composed of two networks of two hidden layers of 210 neurons each and trained in a **V-cycle** with 1 and 8 input scalings ($\nu_1 = \nu_2 = 1000$).
- ▶ The three-level MPINN is composed of three networks of two hidden layers of 150 neurons each and trained in a **V-cycle** with 1,4 and 8 input scalings ($\nu_1 = \nu_2 = \nu_3 = 1000$).
- ▶ The input of all networks is a regular grid sample of 80×80 points
- ▶ In all cases, we plot the median for ten random runs.

Experimental results

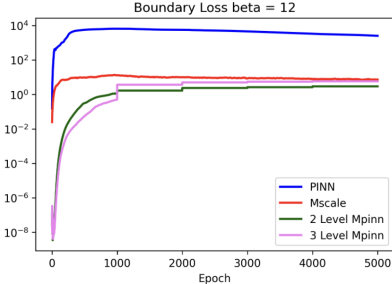
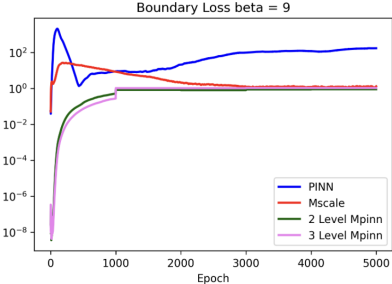
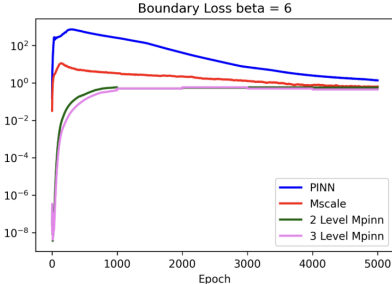
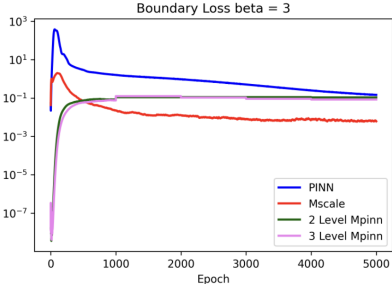
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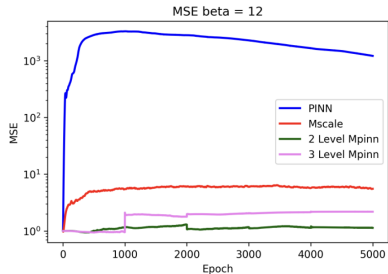
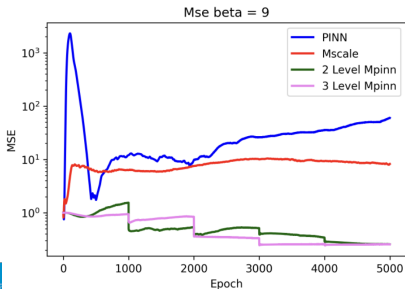
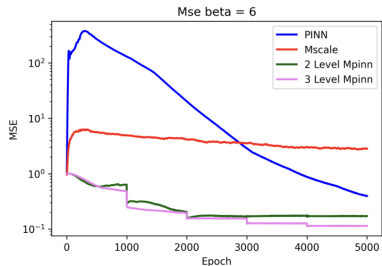
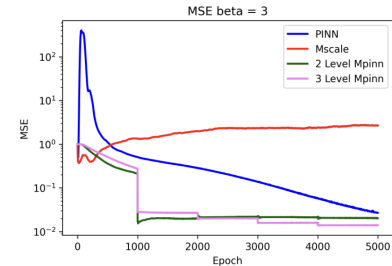
Varying β (the frequency content)



Convergence of error on boundary conditions

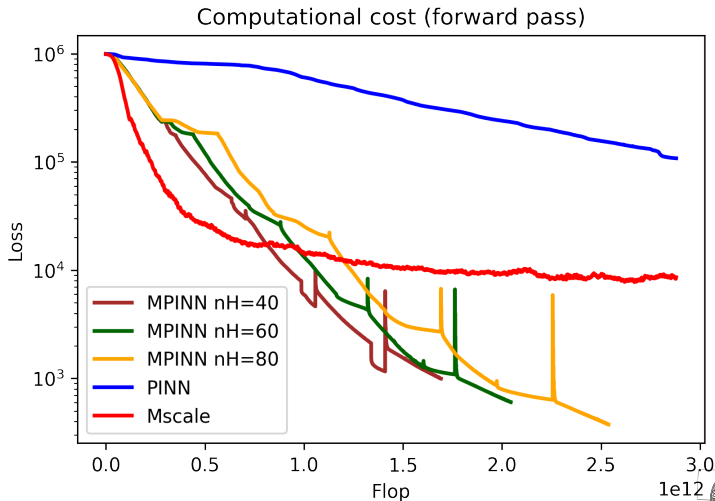


Convergence of MSE (extrapolation)



Computational cost for two levels...

... as a function of coarse grid size (nH)



Conclusions

- ▶ We have presented a new multigrid-inspired training **framework** using recent advances in NN to efficiently solve PINN-type problems.
- ▶ We have proposed an algorithm which works **without prior knowledge** of frequency content and which is promising.
- ▶ We have demonstrated that exploiting spectral complementarity using our framework may bring **significant computational benefits** (faster convergence).

- ▶ Perform further **extensive testing**, including more complex problems.
- ▶ Pursue the **sensitivity analysis** for
 - ▶ the relative sizes of the grids,
 - ▶ the strategies for grid change.
- ▶ Investigate **theoretical aspects**:
 - ▶ convergence of the iterates from an optimization point of view,
 - ▶ convergence to the solution in functional space.
- ▶ Exploit the **framework's versatility**: extensions to other network types (e.g. deep-O-Net), as well as to other ways of targeting signal frequencies (Fourier feature mappings) or modelling complementarity.

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