# Multilevel Physics Informed Neural Networks (MPINNs)

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Idea: approximate the solution u(z) of the PDE by a neural network by exploiting the physics of the problem:

Physics Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)

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$$\mathcal{L}(p) = RMSE_{res}(p) + RMSE_{data}(p)$$
$$RMSE_{res}(p) = \frac{\lambda^{r}}{N^{r}} \|D(z, \hat{u}_{N}(p; z^{r})) - f(z^{r})\|^{2},$$
$$RMSE_{data}(p) = \frac{\lambda^{m}}{N^{m}} \|\hat{u}_{N}(p; z^{m}) - u(z^{m})\|^{2},$$

given training points  $z^r \in \Omega$  and measurement points  $z^m \in \Omega \cup \partial \Omega$ 

#### Advantages

- No need of discretization: we get an analytical expression of the solution, with good generalization properties (also for points outside the interval)
- Natural approach for solving nonlinear equations
- Alleviate the curse of dimensionality
- Overcoming the curse of dimensionality in the numerical approximation of semilinear parabolic partial differential equations (2018).
- Physics-informed neural networks: A deep learning framework for solving forward and inverse problems involving nonlinear partial differential equations (2019)
  - Hidden Fluid Mechanics: A Navier-Stokes Informed Deep Learning Framework for Assimilating Flow Visualization Data (2018)

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Idea: transpose acceleration methods classically used for PDEs to neural networks Focus on multigrid methods Discretization on grid h: large-scale linear system  $A_h u_h = f_h$ .

- Relaxation methods fails to eliminate smooth components of the error efficiently.
- Smooth components projected on a coarser grid appear to be more oscillatory.



#### Ingredient 1: coarse grid

Want to solve  $A_h u_h = f_h$ . Exploit a coarser discretization H. Get a lower dimensional problem:  $A_H u_H = f_H$ .

#### Ingredient 2: iterative refinement

Given some approximation v to u, we define

$$e = u - v,$$
  
 $r = f - Av,$   
 $Ae = r$  (residual equation)

To improve v, we solve the residual equation and set v = v + e.

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State-of-the art method for the solution of PDEs: superior to one-level relaxation methods already on two-levels

• Two discretization levels

MG: Two grids h, HMPINN:  $\hat{u}_h(p_h; z_h), \hat{u}_H(p_H; z_H)$ 

• Fine problem

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• Residual equation

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• Fine solution update

MG:  $v_h = v_h + Pe_H$ MPINNs:  $\hat{u}_h(p_h; z_h) = \hat{u}_h(p_h; z_h) + \mathcal{P}(\hat{u}_H(p_H; z_H))$  The training in this case follows the following scheme:

- Perform  $\nu_1$  epochs on the fine problem, get  $\hat{u}_h(p_h, z)$  of u(z)
- Compute the residual  $r_h(z_h^r) = f(z_h^r) D(z_h^r, \hat{u}_h)$
- Project the residual on the coarse level  $r_H = \mathcal{R}(r_h)$
- Perform  $\nu_2$  epochs on the residual problem, get  $\hat{u}_H(p_H, z)$
- Correct the fine level approximation  $\hat{u}_h(p_h, z_h) + \mathcal{P}(\hat{u}_H(p_H, z_H)).$

MG: linear operators



Figure 3.2: Interpolation of a vector on coarse grid  $\Omega^{2h}$  to fine grid  $\Omega^{h}$ .





MPINN: the variables of the optimization problem p don't possess an evident geometry: apply them to the underlying geometrical variable z, and thus we define:

$$\mathcal{R}(\hat{u}_h(p_h, z_h)) \coloneqq \hat{u}_H(p_H, R_{MG}z_h)$$
$$\mathcal{P}(\hat{u}_H(p_H, z_H)) \coloneqq \hat{u}_h(p_h, P_{MG}z_H)$$

Restriction is still a neural network, with less parameters and evaluated on a smaller set of grid point

## Preliminary results 1D: ADAM



Figure:  $\alpha$  = 3, ADAM



MPINNs are less sensible to the choice of the learning rate

## Preliminary results 1D: BFGS



**Figure**:  $\alpha$  = 7, BFGS

$\alpha$	MPINN	PINN h	PINN $\tilde{h}$	
8	3.0e-3, 3.0e-3	1.5e-2, 2.2e-2	1.7e-2, 3.0e-2	
10	1.0e-2, 3.1e-2	1.3e-1, 2.8e-1	4.0e-2, 1.8e-1	
12	3.0e-2, 1.0e-1	1.0e-1, 3.5	1.7e-1, 1.4	

### Other tests

### Nonlinear 2D: $-\Delta u + \alpha e^u = f$ in $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$





- Promising preliminary results
- Need for a deeper numerical investigation (other problems, deeper V-cycles)
- Need for an efficient implementation
- Need for theoretical convergence theory

### Thank you for your attention!

Preprint available soon:



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#### Previous work:

On a multilevel Levenberg-Marquardt method for the training of artificial neural networks and its application to the solution of partial differential equations, H. Calandra, S. Gratton, E. Riccietti X. Vasseur, SIOPT, 2021.

## Hyperparameters tuning



Figure:  $\alpha$  = 3,  $N_H$  number of training points, H number of neurons in the coarse network

	N <sub>H</sub>	25	50	60	70	100	150	
F	RMSI	E 2.3	8.0e-4	9.4e-4	2.8e-4	4.5e-4	2.3e-4	ŀ
	Op.	0.85	0.88	0.89	0.84	0.94	1	
Н		10	25	50	60	70	100	150
RMS	SE :	3.2e-3	7.8e-4	4.6e-4	1.7e-4	3.1e-4	1.6e-4	2.4e-4
Ор		0.88	0.89	0.91	0.93	0.96	0.98	1