

# Learning Iterative Algorithms to solve PDEs

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## Motivation

### Problem statement

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}(u; \gamma) &= f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \mathcal{B}(u) &= g \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Solve parametric equations with varying parameters ( $\gamma$ ), forcing terms ( $f$ ) or initial/boundary conditions ( $g$ ) on a given domain  $\Omega$  with boundary  $\partial\Omega$ .

### Hypothesis

◆ We assume access to a dataset of pairs composed of the PDE data ( $\gamma, f, g$ ) and the associated solution  $u$  on a grid.

### Relation to existing works

◆ Physics-Informed Neural Networks [1] models the solution  $u$  as a Neural Network and uses the residual of the PDE as optimization criteria. Each PDE needs a full training of the solution.

◆ Neural Operators [2] focus on learning the solution operator directly through a single neural network pass using large amount of data.

## References

- [1] M. Raissi, P. Perdikaris, and G.E. Karniadakis. Physics-informed neural networks: A deep learning framework for solving forward and inverse problems involving nonlinear partial differential equations. *Journal of Computational Physics*
- [2] Zongyi Li, Nikola Kovachki, Kamyar Azizzadenesheli, Burigede Liu, Kaushik Bhattacharya, Andrew Stuart, and Anima Anandkumar. Fourier neural operator for parametric partial differential equations, 2020

## Framework

### Build an iterative method to solve PDEs with no data

$$\theta^{k+1} = \mathcal{A}(\theta^k; \mathcal{L}_{\text{PDE}}, \gamma, f, g)$$

#### Ansatz

$$u_{\theta}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^N \theta_i \psi_i(x)$$

B-splines, Fourier, polynomials...

#### Physics-Informed criteria

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{PDE}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{Res}} + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{\text{BC}},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Res}} &= \sum_{x_j \in \Omega} |\mathcal{N}(u_{\theta}; \gamma)(x_j) - f(x_j)|^2, \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{BC}} &= \sum_{x_j \in \partial\Omega} |\mathcal{B}(u_{\theta})(x_j) - g(x_j)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

#### Update Algorithm

$$\theta^{k+1} = \theta^k - \eta \mathcal{F}_{\theta}(\nabla \mathcal{L}_{\text{PDE}}(\theta^k), \gamma, f, g)$$

Gradient descent, Adam...

### Training based on data

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DATA}} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \|u_{\theta_L} - u_i\|$$

= Hybrid solver for PDEs

#### Algorithm 1: Inference

**Data:**  $\theta^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , PDE ( $\gamma, f, g$ )

**Result:**  $\theta^L \in \mathbb{R}^n$

**for**  $k = 0 \dots L-1$  **do**

$\theta^{k+1} = \theta^k - \mathcal{F}_{\theta^*}(\nabla \mathcal{L}(\theta^k, \gamma, f, g), \gamma, f, g)$

**end**

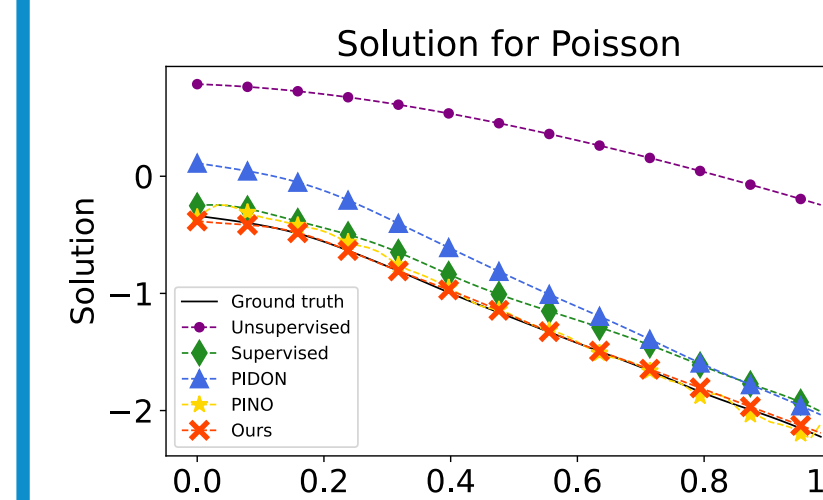
**return**  $\theta_L$

## Results

### Training

	Baseline	1d		1d + time	2d
		Helmholtz	Poisson	Advection	Darcy-Flow
Unsupervised	<i>PINNs</i>	4.26e-1	2.33	2.26e-1	2.31e-1
Supervised	<i>NN</i>	9.04e-2	1.09e-1	1.27e-1	7.54e-3
Hybrid	<i>PIDON</i>	4.67e-1	8.84e-2	2.26e-1	4.46e-2
	<i>PINO</i>	4.78e-1	5.83e-3	<b>1.83e-4</b>	2.80e-2
	<i>Ours</i>	<b>1.10e-2</b>	<b>1.76e-3</b>	8.40e-3	<b>6.21e-3</b>

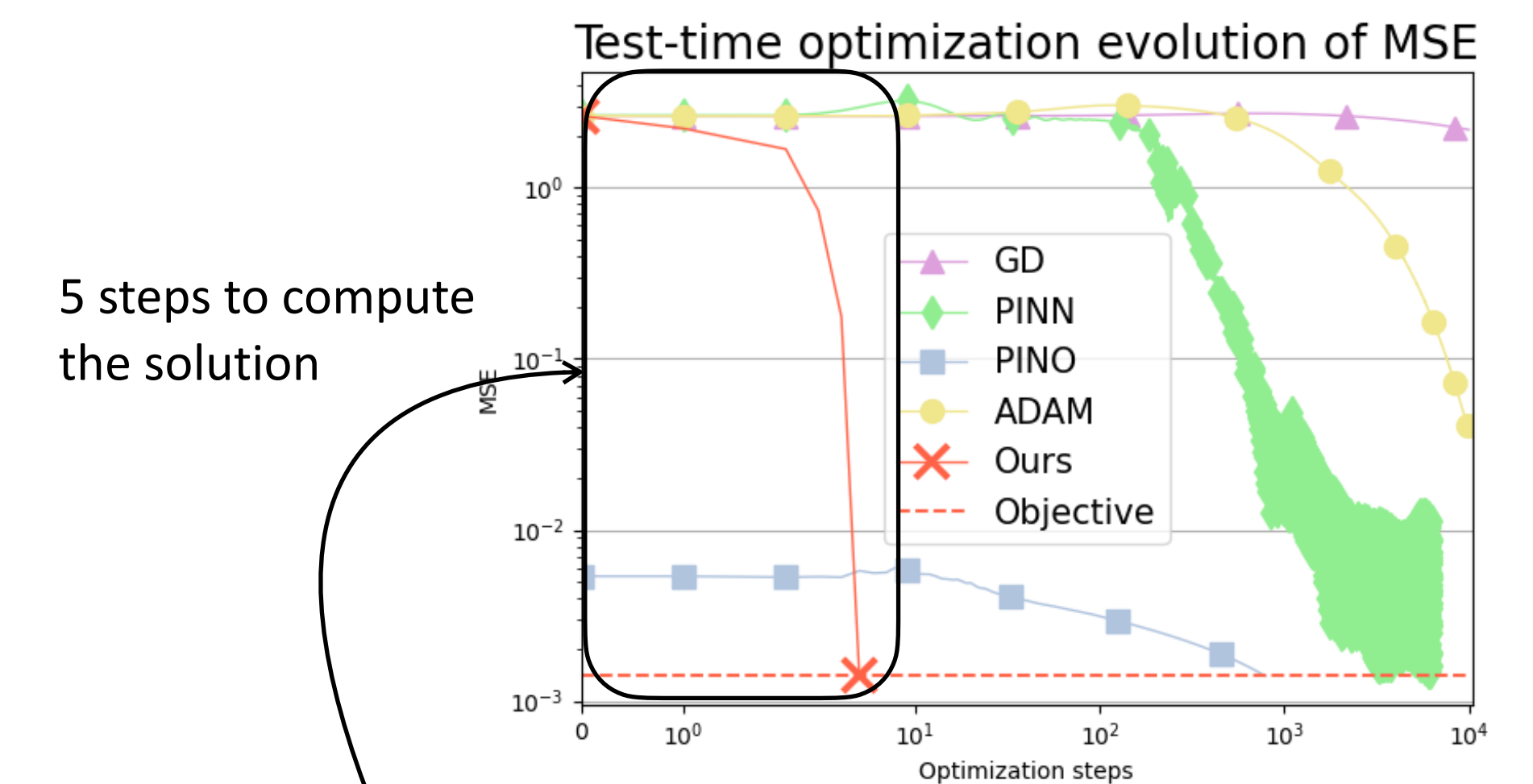
Table 1: Results - metrics in MSE on the test set.



Numerical comparison with baselines

Comparison of trajectories on Poisson

### Test-time Optimization



Evolution of the reconstruction of the solution with optimization steps.

