

Scientific Foundation Models for Computational Fluid Dynamics: threats and opportunities

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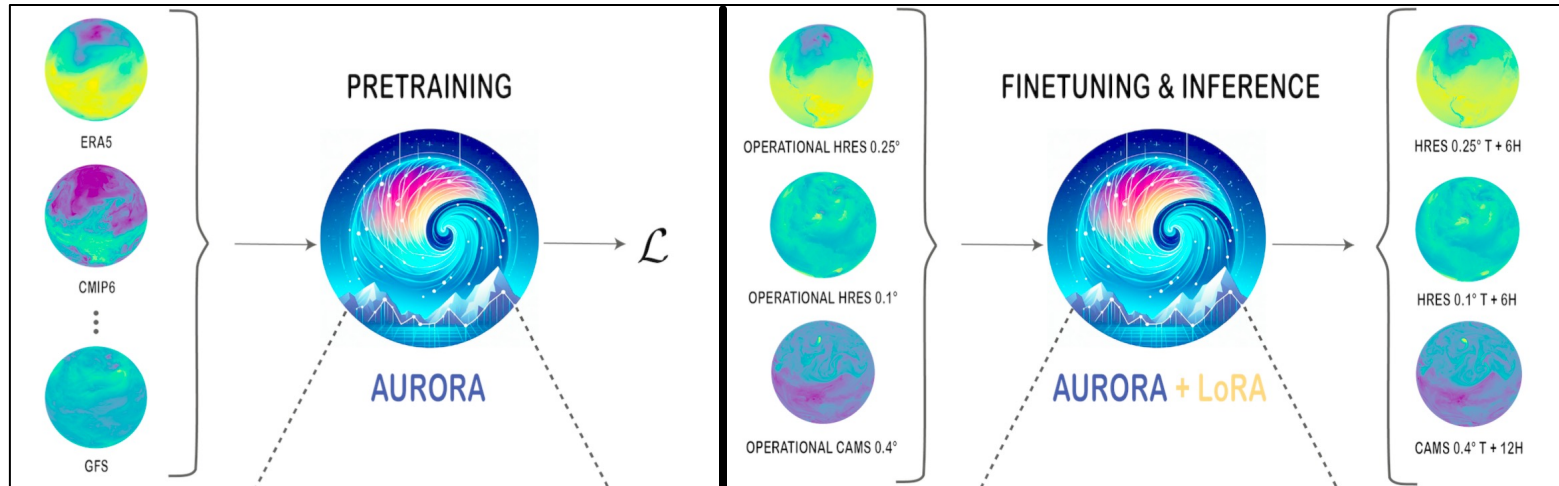
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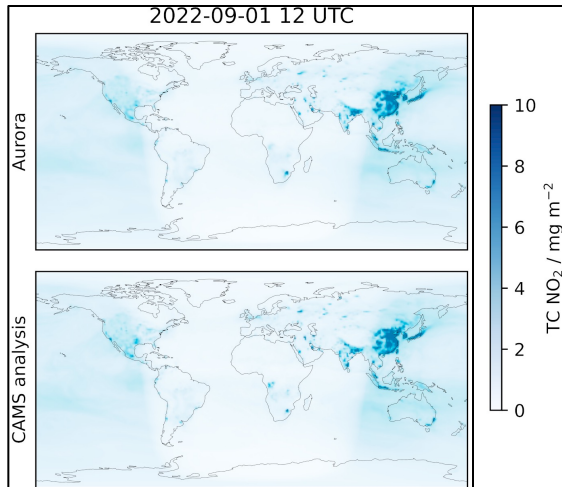
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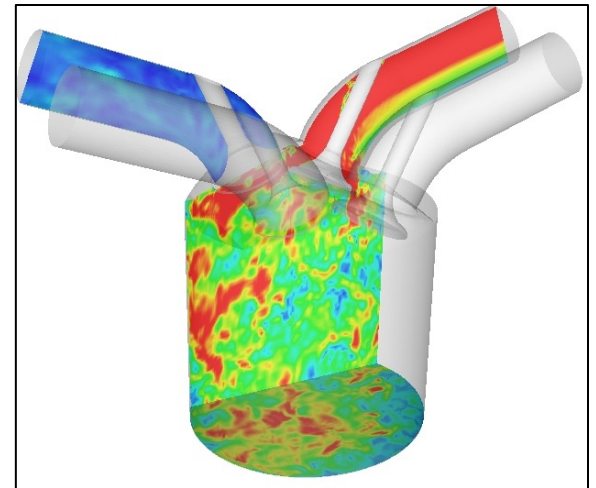
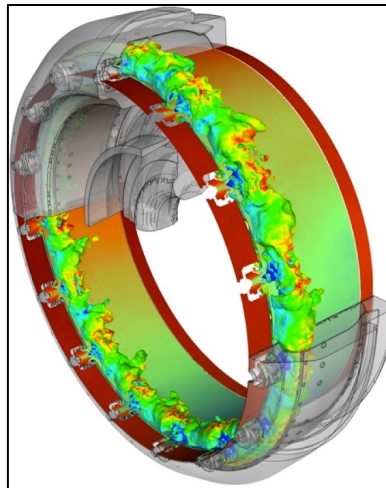
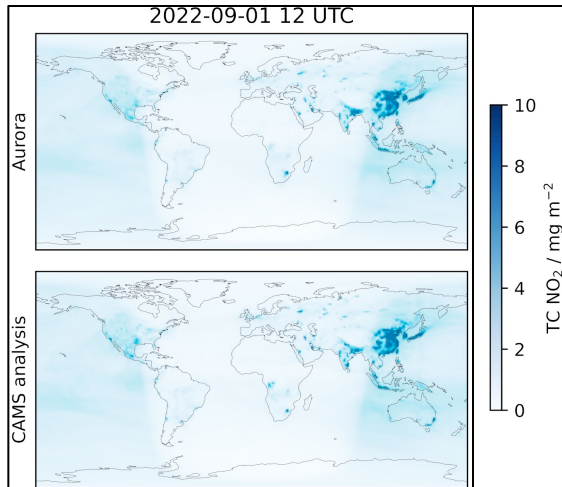
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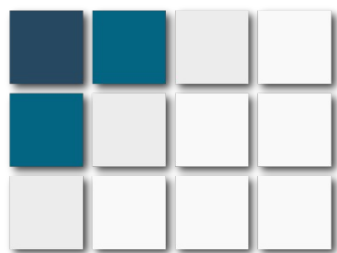
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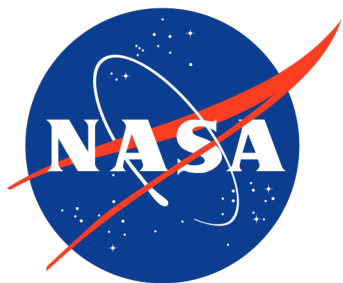


Threats

Data secrecy



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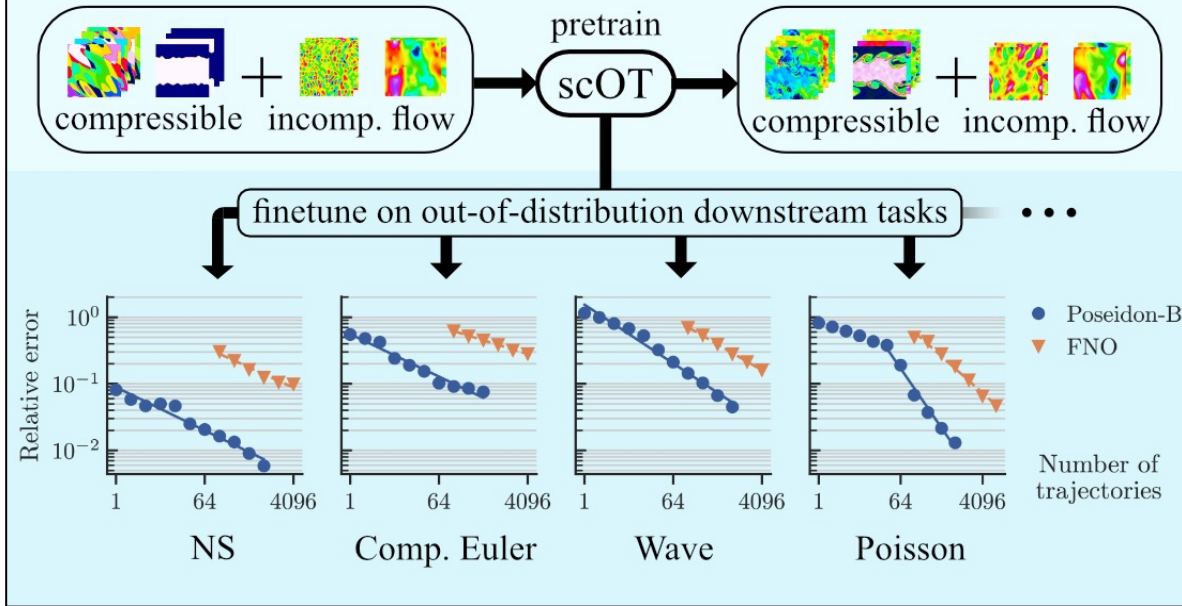
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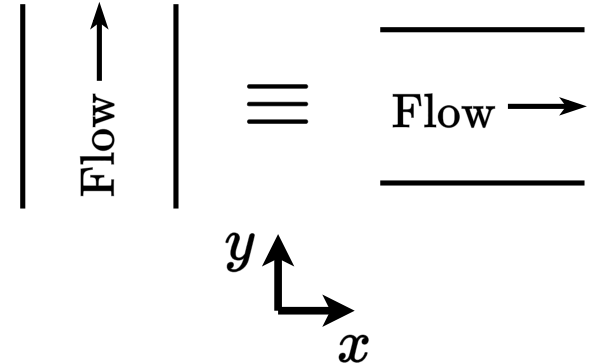
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Modeling assumptions

POSEIDON: Foundation Model for PDEs



Lack of hard constraints on physical laws and Invariance / Equivariance properties

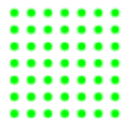


Threats

Weak baselines, outputs reliability, regulations

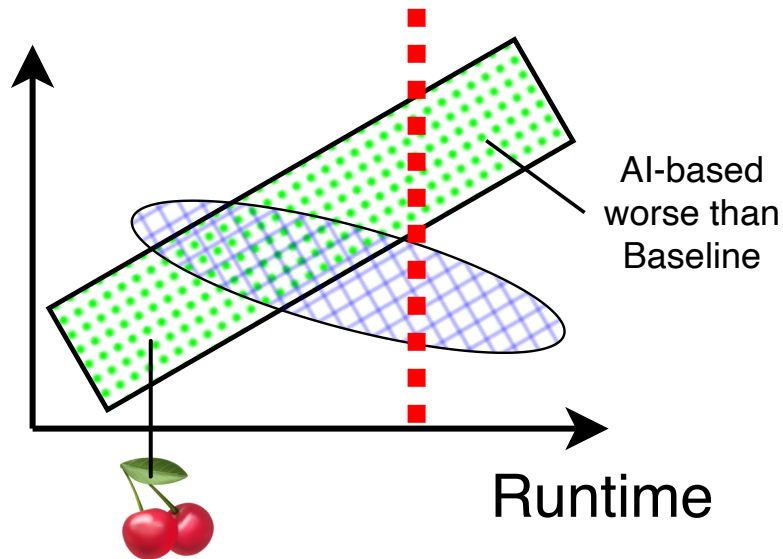


Baseline



AI-based

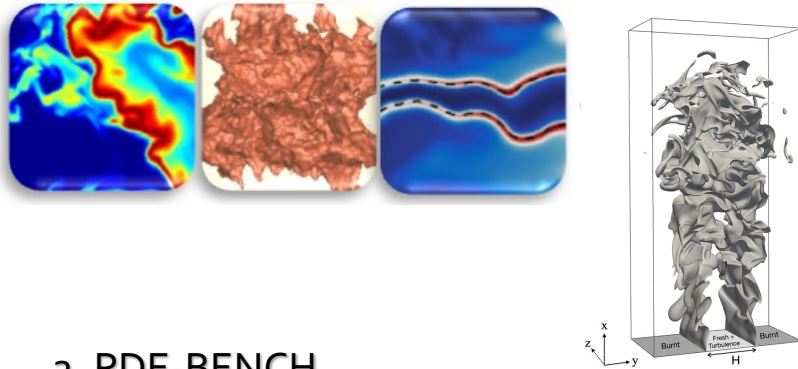
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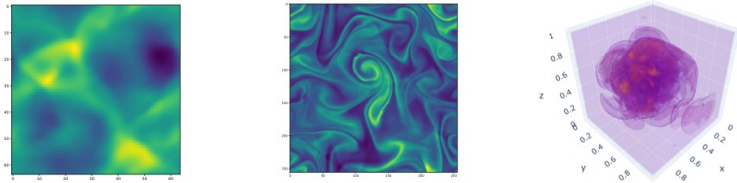
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Emergence of Open-data Initiatives

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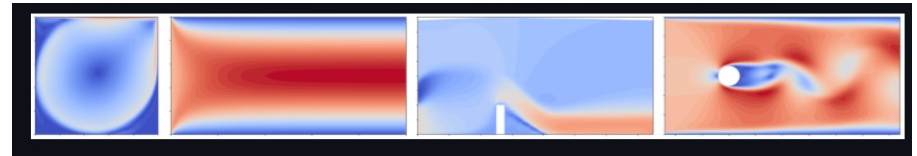
2. PDE-BENCH



3. AirfRANS



4. CFDBench



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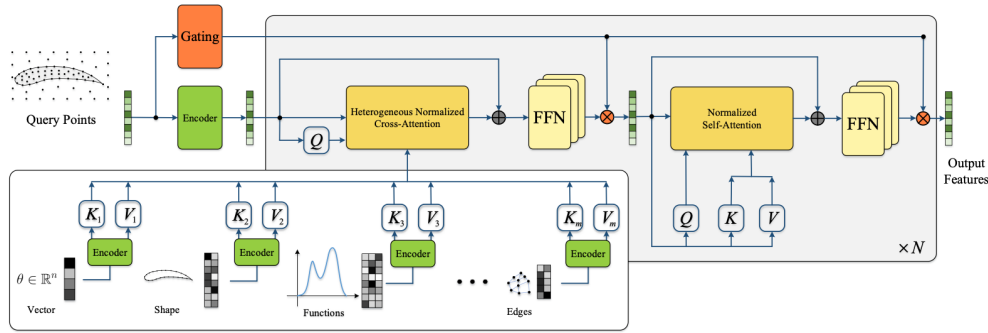
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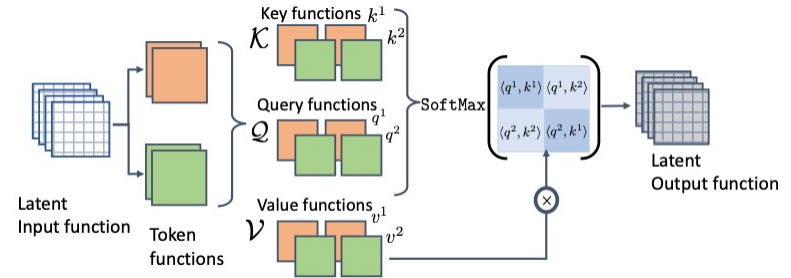
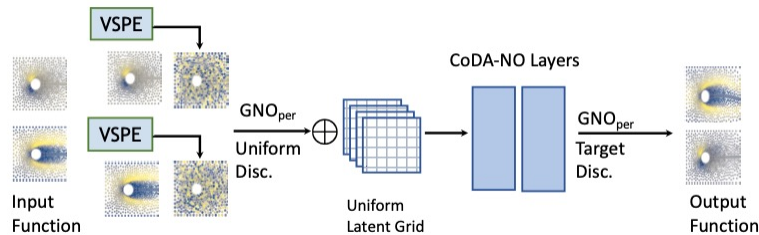
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Opportunities

Scalable architectures for SciFMs



- Transformers can be scaled to many parameters and trained on parallel computer architecture.
- Neural Operators can adapt to different discretizations (Mesh independence/Convergence).

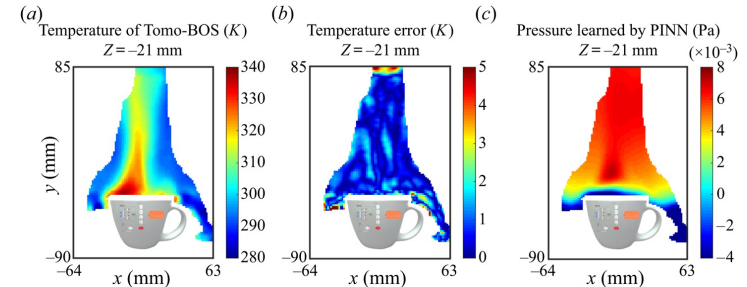
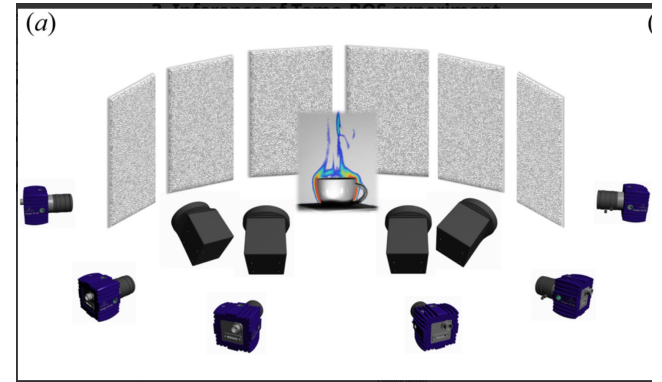
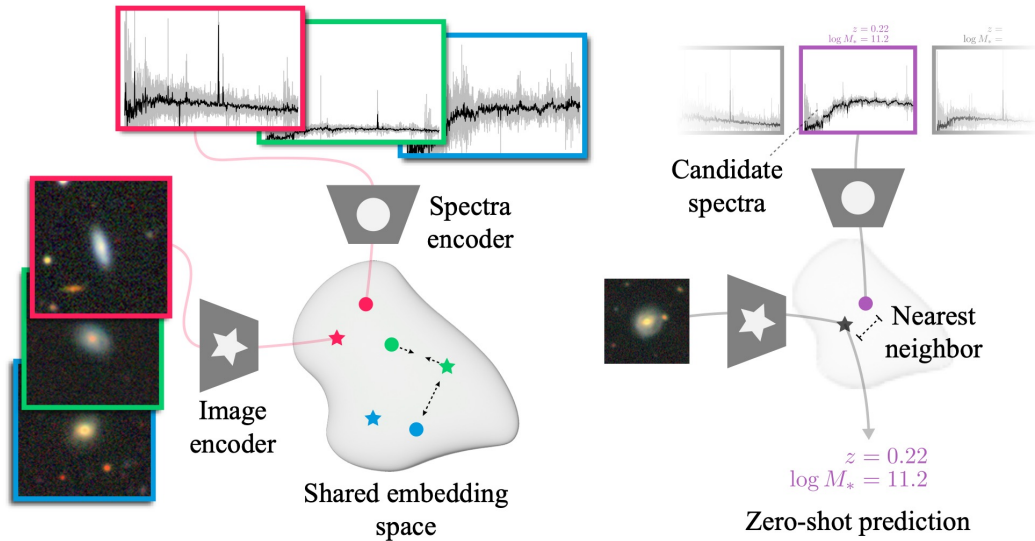


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Multimodality: Experiments & Simulations

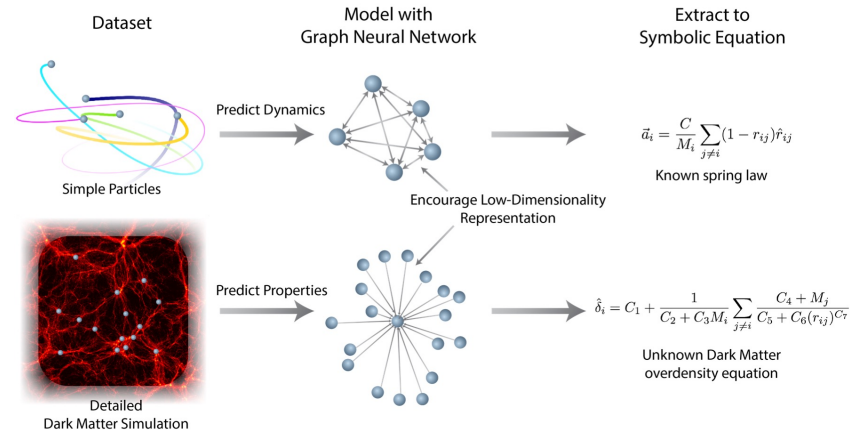
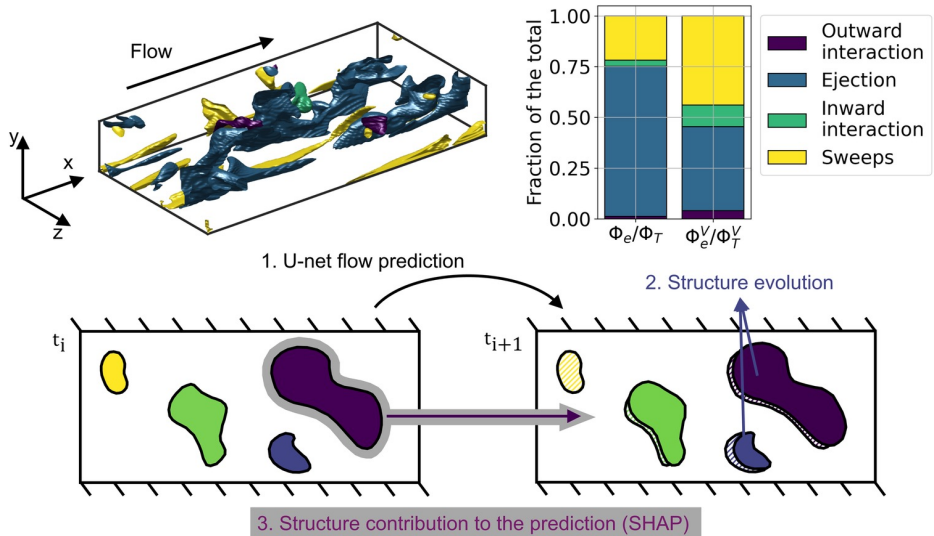


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Opportunities

Explainability (xAI) & Scientific Discovery



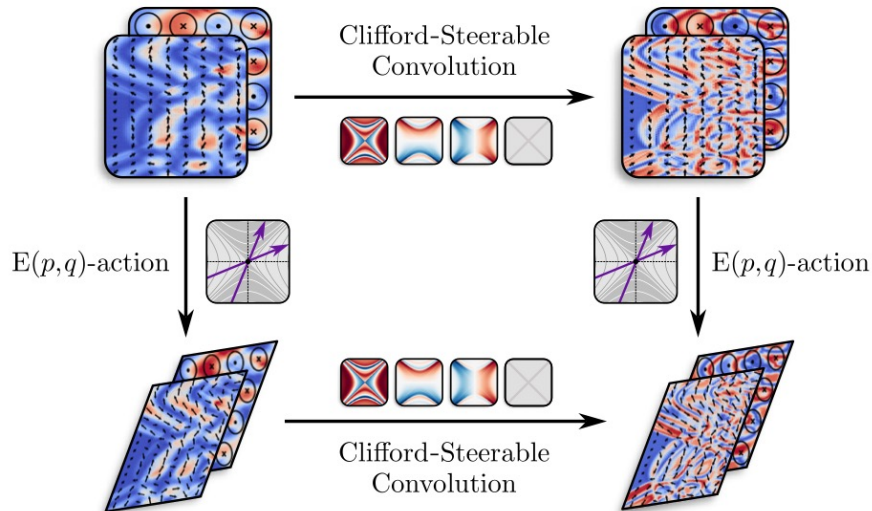
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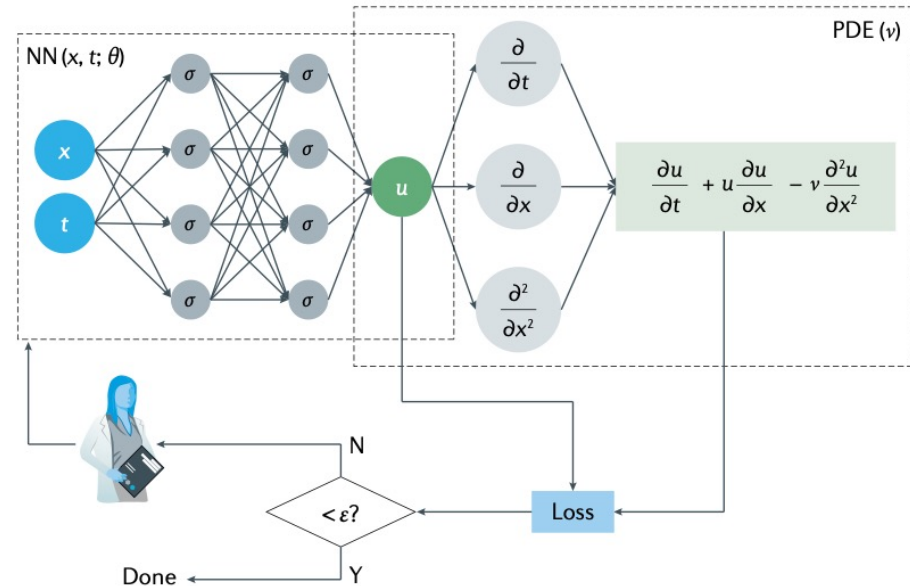
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Leveraging Domain Knowledge

Symmetries and Equivariance

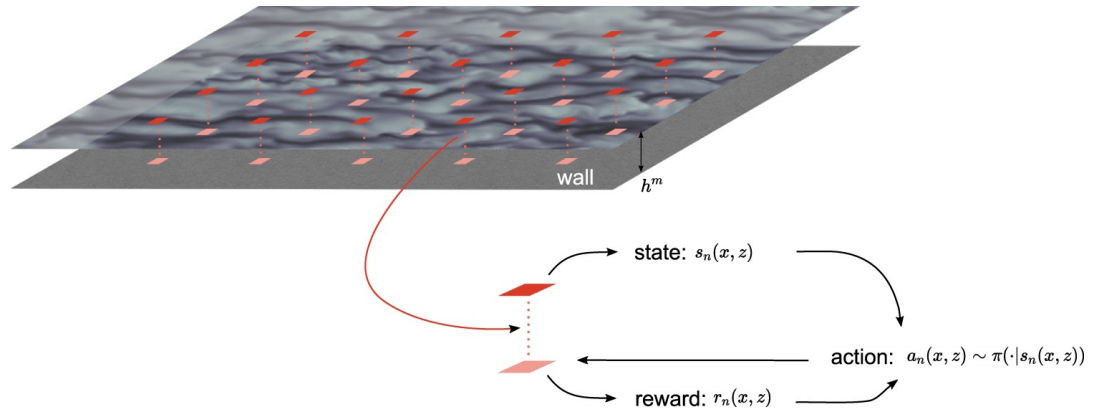
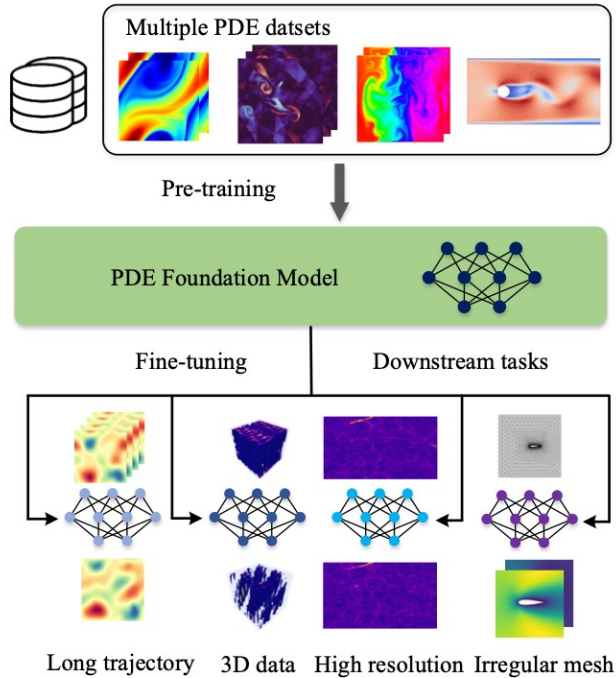


Conservation Laws



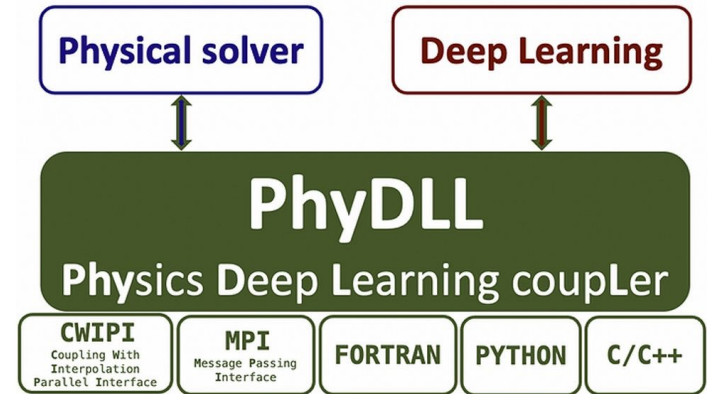
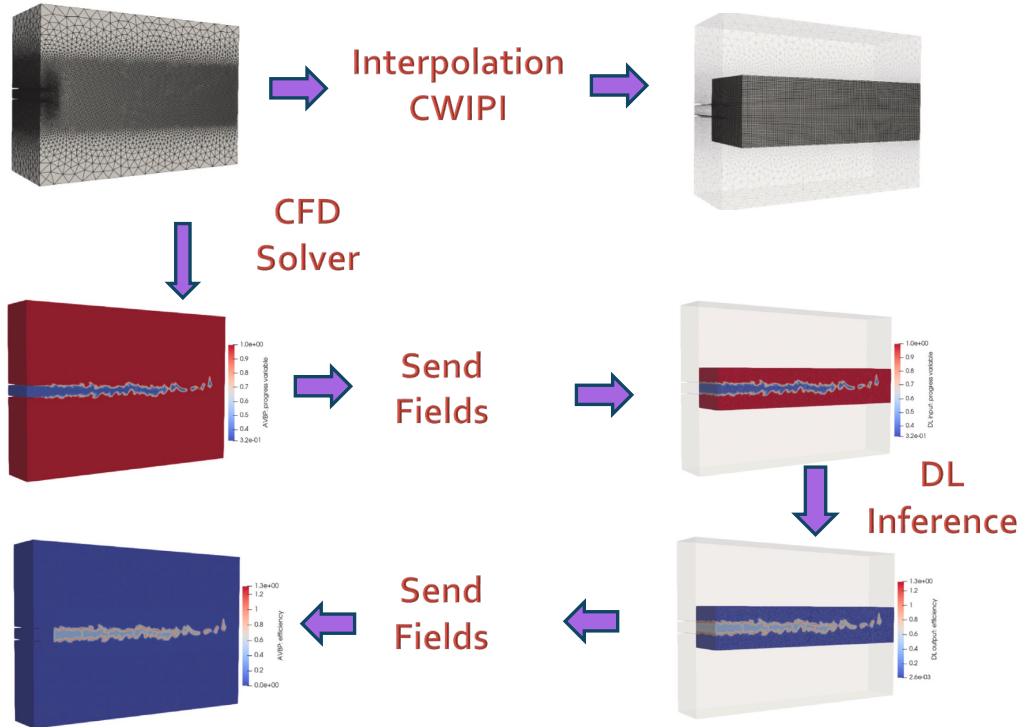
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Few-shot learning/Fine-tuning



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Hybrid DL/CFD models

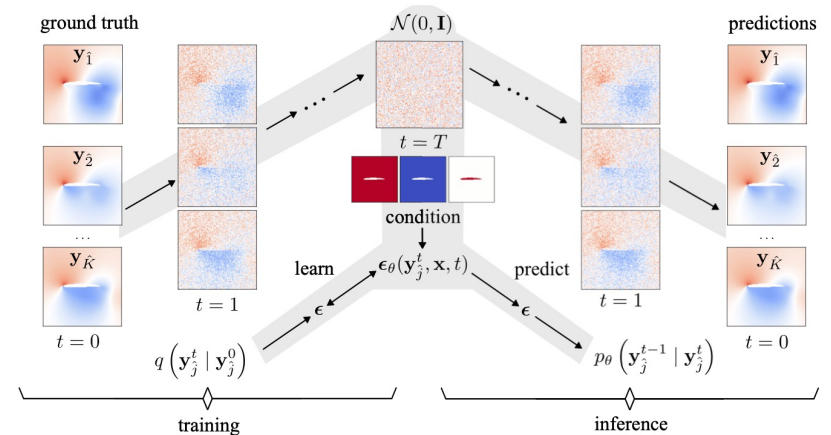
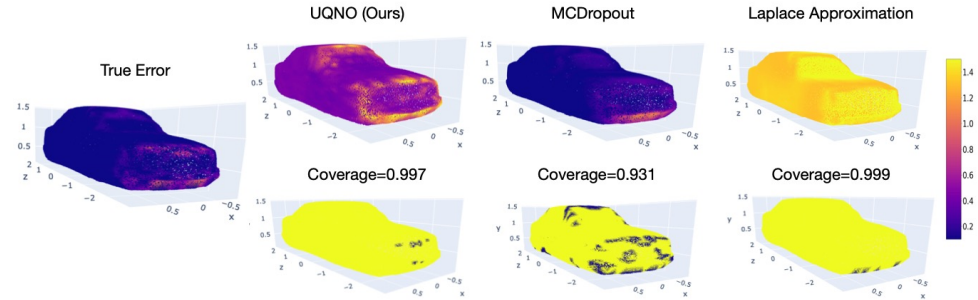
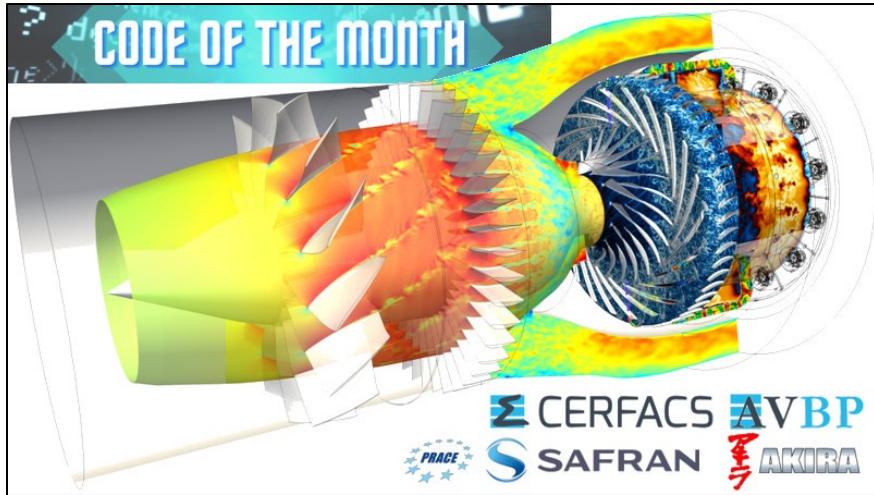


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Opportunities

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Conclusions & Perspectives

- Challenges around SciFMs for CFD are due to
 - Data heterogeneity, high-fidelity data scarcity, data secrecy, etc.
- Opportunities arise from community's commitment to open data
- CERFACS aims to build SciFMs for CFD using PhyDLL + AVBP
- Feedbacks are welcome !
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