

Hybrid ML-PDE reduced modeling for Vlasov Poisson in plasma physics

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Model hierarchy for particles/body dynamic

- We want to simulate a **very large number of interacting particles or bodies**.
- We consider N particles of position $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and impulsion $\mathbf{p}(t)$ given by the **Fundamental Principles of Dynamics**:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x}_i(t) = \mathbf{p}_i(t) \\ \frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{p}_i(t) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq N} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} V(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \end{cases}$$

with V a potential

- In practice the **simulation for realistic N are intractable**.

Kinetic equation

We define the empirical measure $f_N(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i(t)) \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_i(t))$. We can prove that $f_N(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})$, which satisfies

$$\partial_t f + \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f + F(t, \mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} f = 0,$$

with

$$F(t, \mathbf{x}) = -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} V(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{p}.$$

Vlasov-Poisson equation

- Electrostatic potential for charged particle and gravitational potential for a body:

$$V(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{q}{4\pi} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|}, \quad V(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{-Gm}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|}$$

- We remark that

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \pm \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} f(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) d\mathbf{y} d\mathbf{p} \longleftrightarrow \pm \Delta \phi = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) d\mathbf{p}$$

- Adding a binary collision process leads to the **Vlasov-Poisson equation**.

Final Vlasov-Poisson equation

The **Vlasov equation** in the phase-space for $f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$ is given by

$$\partial_t f + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f \pm \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} f = \frac{1}{\epsilon} Q(f, f)$$

with ϵ free mean path and

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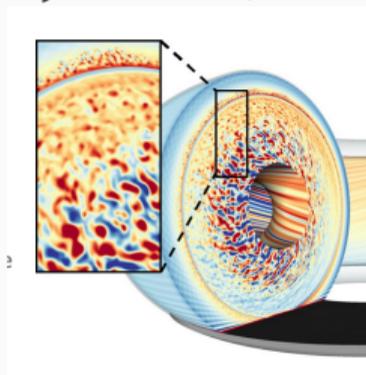
- This equation is central to simulate plasma turbulence in fusion reactor or galaxy dynamics in astrophysics.

Objective

Difficulties

The Vlasov Poisson is a **multiscale PDE in 7-dimensional space (3 space + 3 velocity + 1 time)**. It generates **huge simulations**.

- In plasma fusion we simulate 5D approximations: **Gyro-kinetic models**.
- Example: Gysela code (V. Grandgirard)



1 simulation:

- **100 billion points** (5D mesh: 3D space + 2D velocity)
- **> 8 million hours** (20 days / 18 432 cores),
- **10 PBytes of data** (3 Tbytes saved)

Aim

Proposed reduced models in the **weakly collisional regime** ($\tau \in [0.01, 1]$) using deep learning.

Micro-Macro decomposition I

First objective

Understand the behavior of the solution in the **different collision regimes**.

- The collision term $Q(f, f)$ generates a dissipation toward an equilibrium called **Maxwellian**:

$$\mathcal{M}(\rho, \mathbf{u}, T, \mathbf{v}) = \frac{\rho}{(2\pi T)^{\frac{d}{2}}} e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{v}-\mathbf{u}|^2}{2T}}$$

with

$$\rho(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f d\mathbf{v}, \quad (\rho \mathbf{u})(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbf{v} f d\mathbf{v}, \quad (\rho T)(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}|^2 f d\mathbf{v}$$

Micro-Macro

The relaxation toward the Maxwellian is central to understand the dynamics. The Micro-Macro decomposition propose to write

$$f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{M}(\rho, \mathbf{u}, T, \mathbf{v}) + g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$$

with the first three moments vanish. The second step consists in writing **the dynamics on both terms \mathcal{M} and g** .

Micro-Macro decomposition II

- The decomposition consists in projecting $f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$ on the space

$$\mathcal{N}(L_Q) = \text{Span}\{\mathcal{M}, \mathbf{v}\mathcal{M}, |\mathbf{v}|^2\mathcal{M}\}$$

and on its orthogonal complement.

- Defining $\Pi_{\mathcal{M}}$ the projector on the space \mathcal{N} we can write a new system:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \\ \partial_t \rho \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u} + \rho T I_d) + \nabla \cdot \hat{\Pi} = \rho \nabla \phi \\ \partial_t E + \nabla \cdot (E \mathbf{u} + \rho T \mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{Q} = \rho (\mathbf{u}, \nabla \phi) \\ \partial_t g + (I - \Pi_{\mathcal{M}})((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} g + (\nabla \phi, \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} g)) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} [-g - \tau (I - \Pi_{\mathcal{M}})((\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{M} + (\nabla \phi, \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} \mathcal{M})))] \\ -\Delta \phi = \rho \end{cases}$$

with the total energy $E = \frac{1}{2} \rho |\mathbf{u}|^2 + \rho T$ and

$$\hat{\Pi} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v} g d\mathbf{v}, \quad \mathbf{Q} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{v}|^2 \mathbf{v} g d\mathbf{v}$$

- The equation on g is the only high-dimensional one.

Euler-Navier Stokes closures

Reduced models and closures

We can close the system by **forgetting the dynamics of g** , and propose an approximation of the form:

$$\hat{\Pi} \approx \mathcal{C}_\pi(\rho, \mathbf{u}, T, \tau), \quad \mathbf{Q} \approx \mathcal{C}_Q(\rho, \mathbf{u}, T, \epsilon)$$

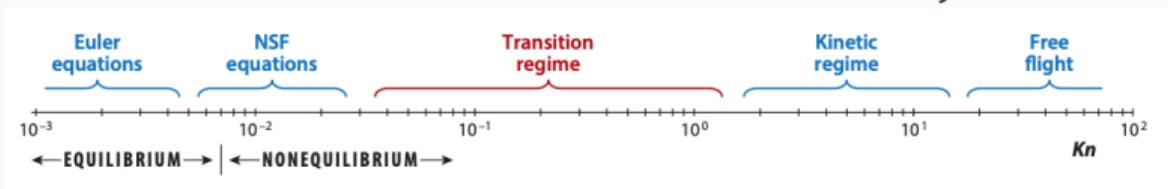
- Taking the **collision limit** ($\tau \rightarrow 0$) gives

$$g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = 0 + \epsilon g_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) + \epsilon^2 g_2(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) + O(\epsilon^3)$$

- The **Euler closure** choose the zero term in the expansion: $\hat{\Pi} = 0, \quad \mathbf{Q} = 0$
- The **Navier-Stokes closure** chooses the first term in the expansion:

$$\hat{\Pi} = \epsilon(\mu(T)[\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T] + \mu_2(T)\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}/d), \quad \mathbf{Q} = -\epsilon \kappa(T)\nabla T$$

- Specific kinetic effects are obtain with nonlocal closure. Validity:



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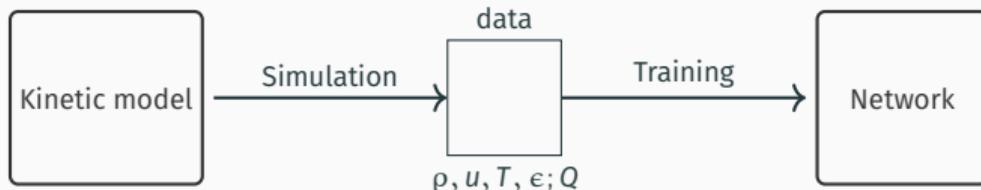
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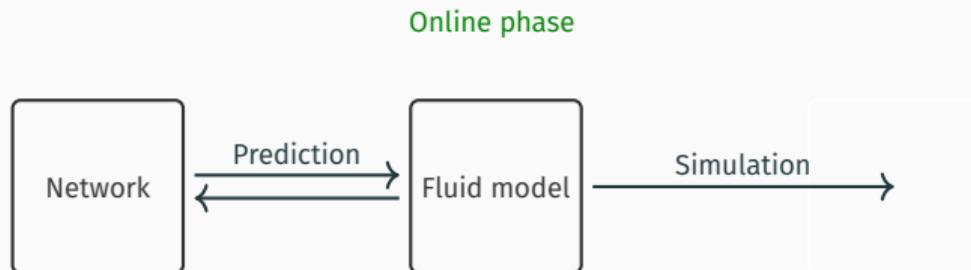


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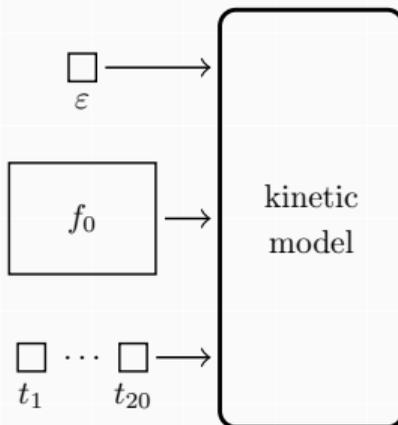
- Process to generate data
- The data are obtained using the **kinetic model**.



kinetic
model

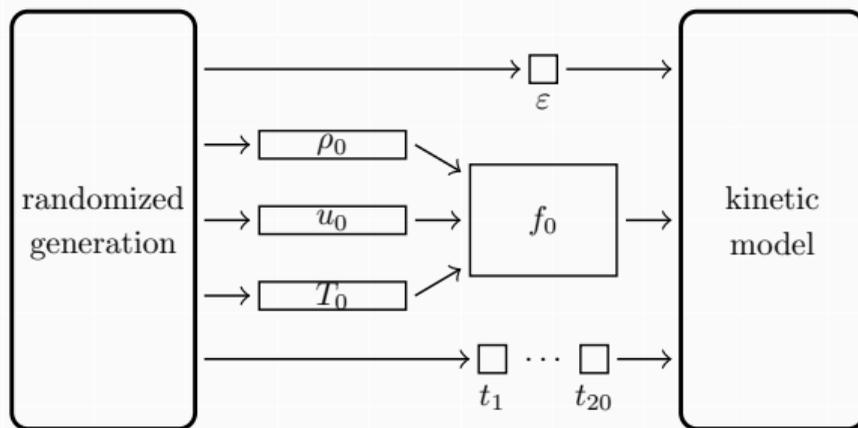
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- Process to generate data
- We take a Knudsen number ϵ , initial data f_0 , and twenty time steps t_1, \dots, t_{20}



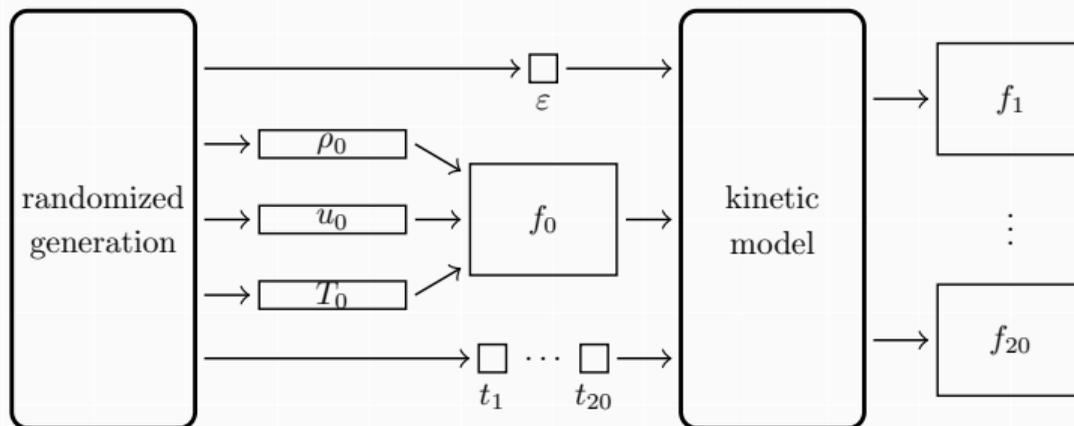
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- Initial data are generated randomly with Fourier modes and ϵ uniformly sampled in $[0.01, 1]$.



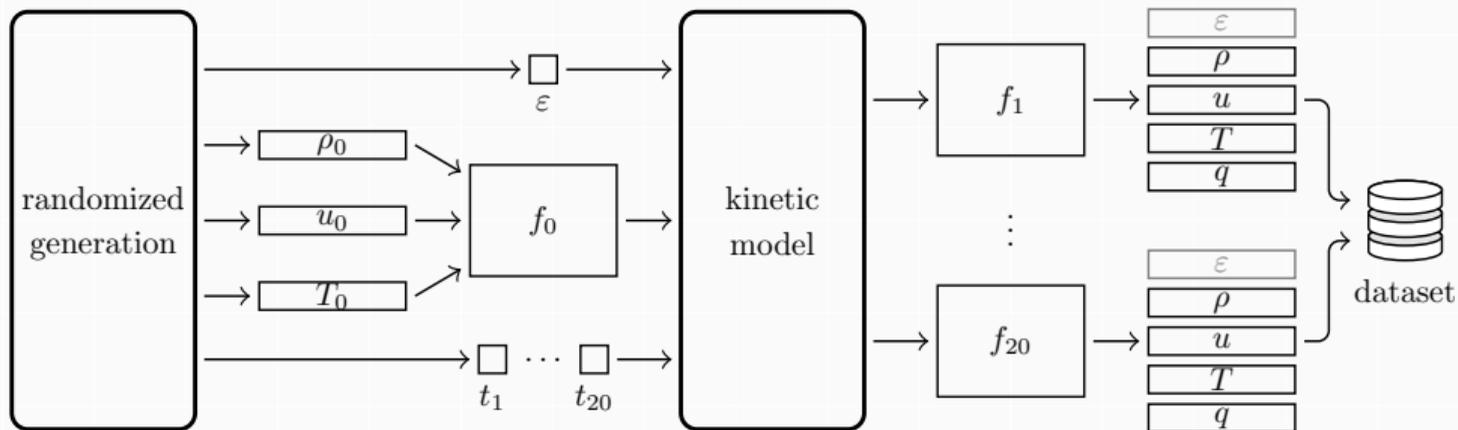
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- Process to generate data
- The numerical scheme gives f_1, \dots, f_{20} at time t_1, \dots, t_{20} .



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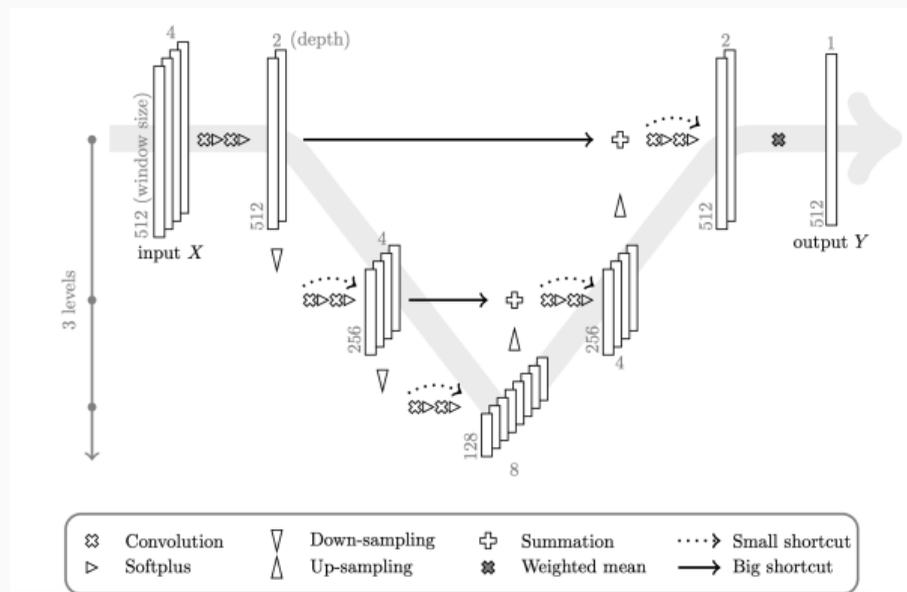
- Process to generate data
- The moments ρ , u , T and Q are computed and store ϵ .



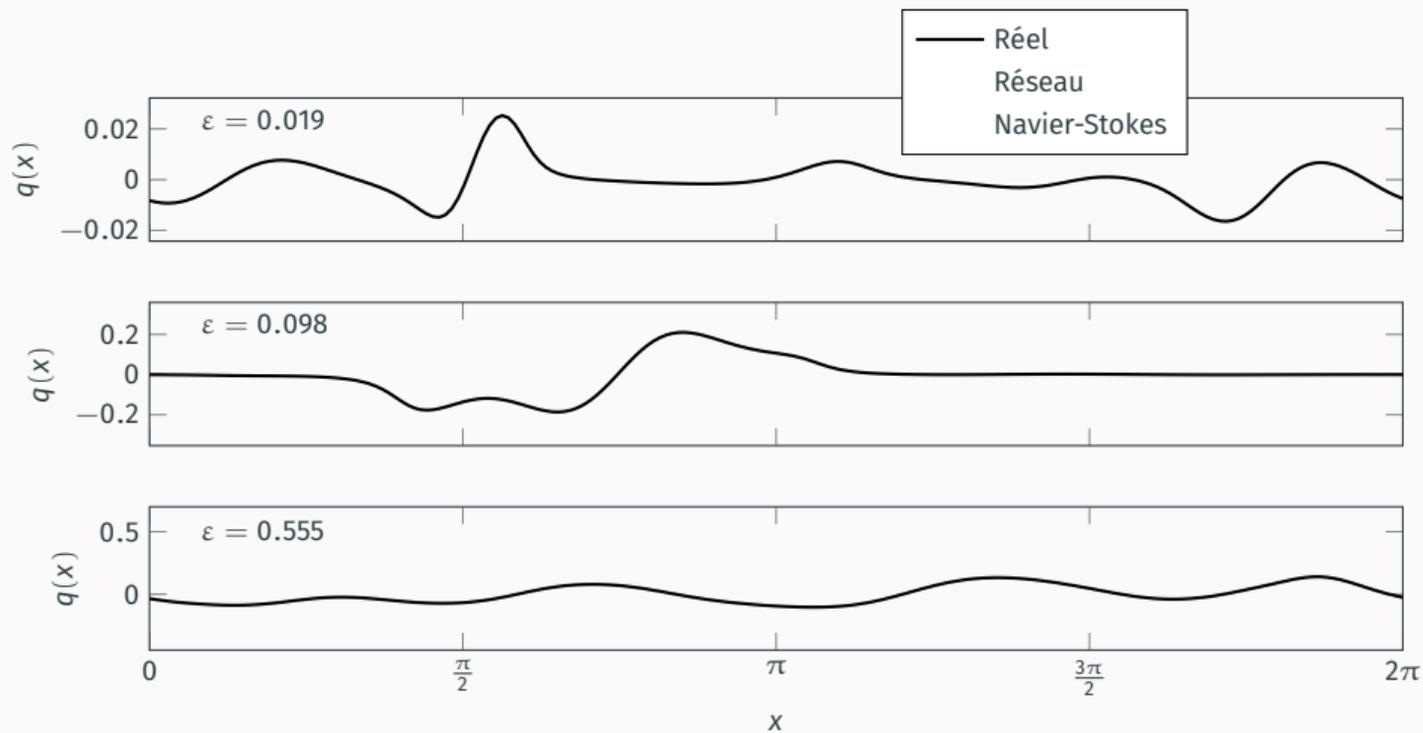
- Two data set ($500 \times 20 = 10\,000$) are generated: one for training, one for validation

Neural Network architecture

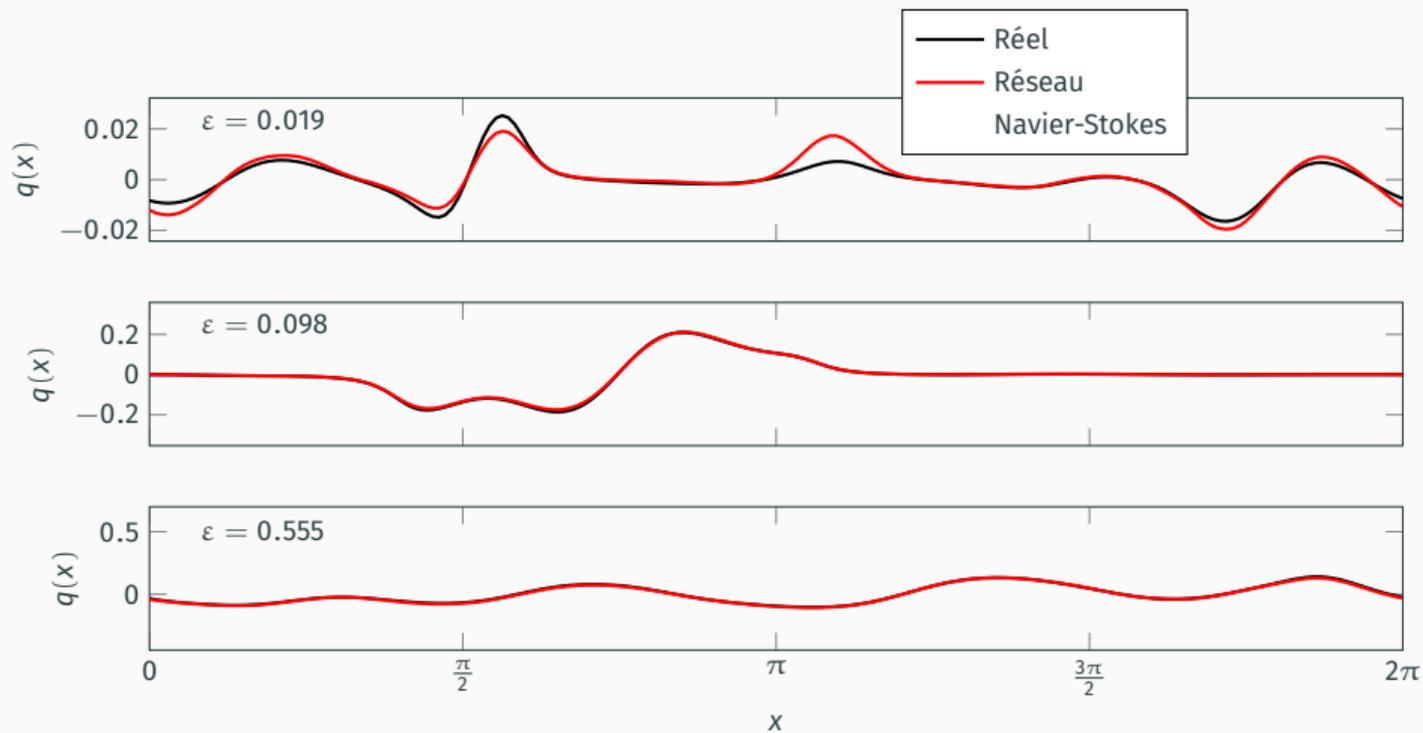
- This data work is a little bit old. At the time, convolutional architectures were the most relevant for this.
- Now neural operator and transformer offer a good alternative.
- We choose an architecture called **V-net**.



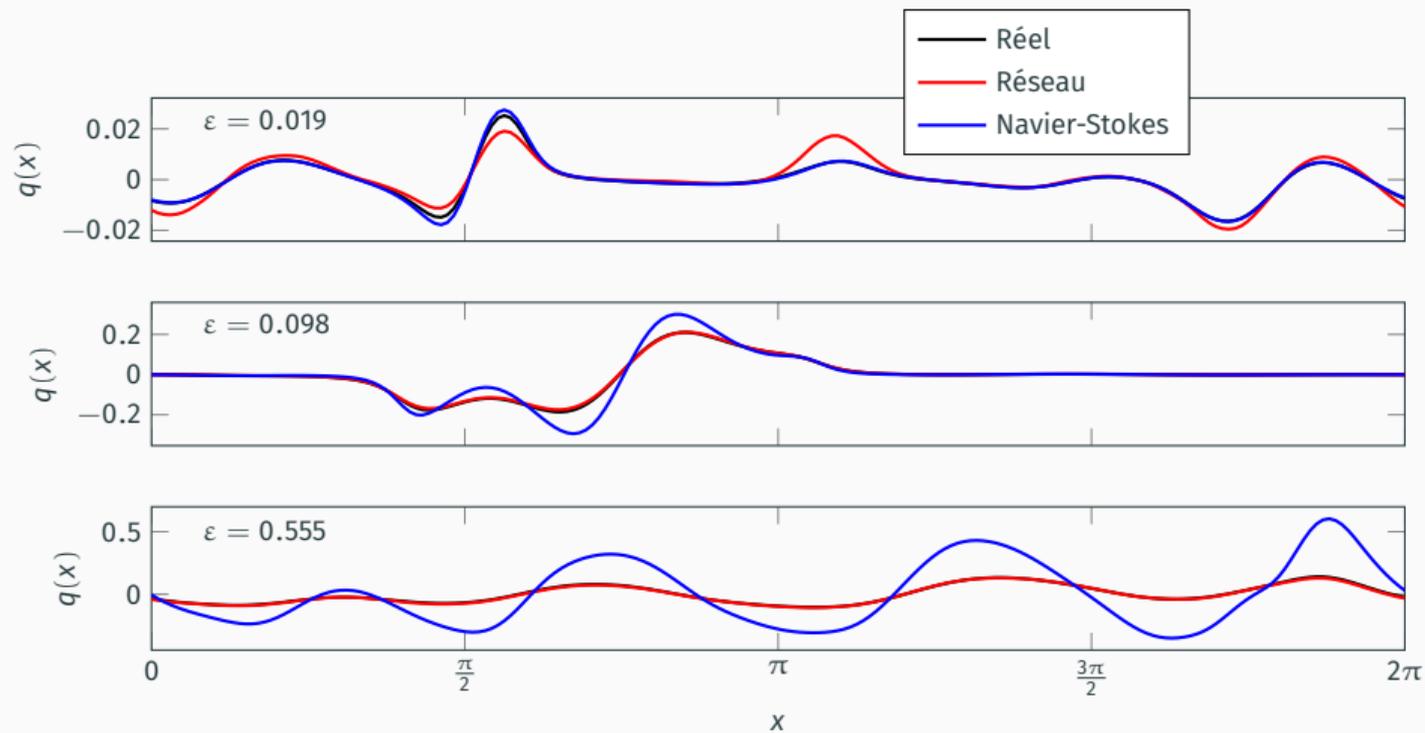
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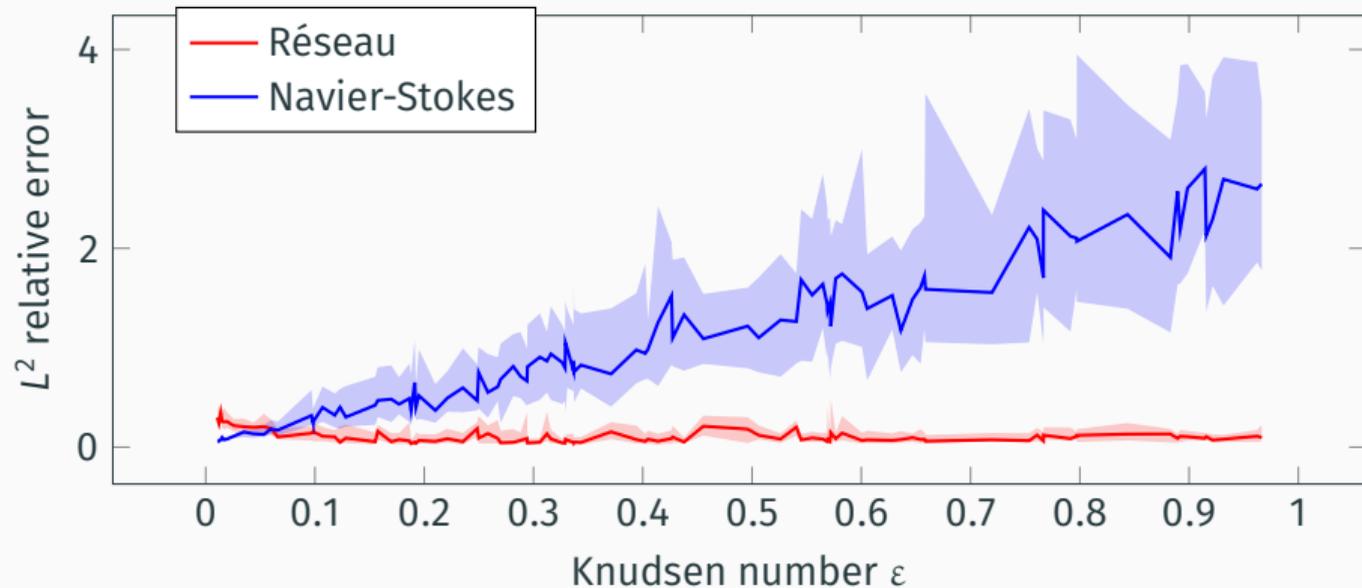
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Influence of ϵ



- As expected, the Navier-Stokes closure error increase when ϵ increase. For the Network closure the error seems uniform. **The error of NN is smaller than the error of NS excepted for small ϵ .**

Full simulations

- We compare the evolution of electrical energy $\mathcal{E}(t) = \int E(x, t)^2 dx$ for the different models :

———— Kinetic

- **In the following** : The difference between the kinetic model, the fluid model with kinetic closure, and the “Fluid + kinetic” model come from the errors associated to the scheme.
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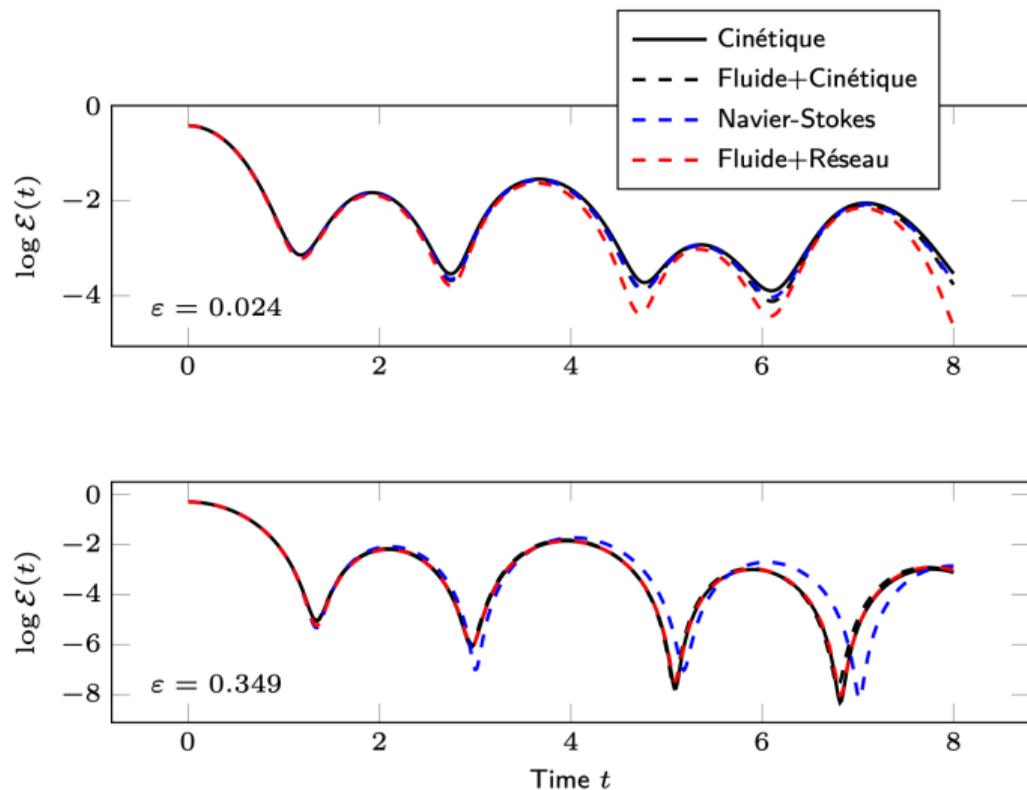
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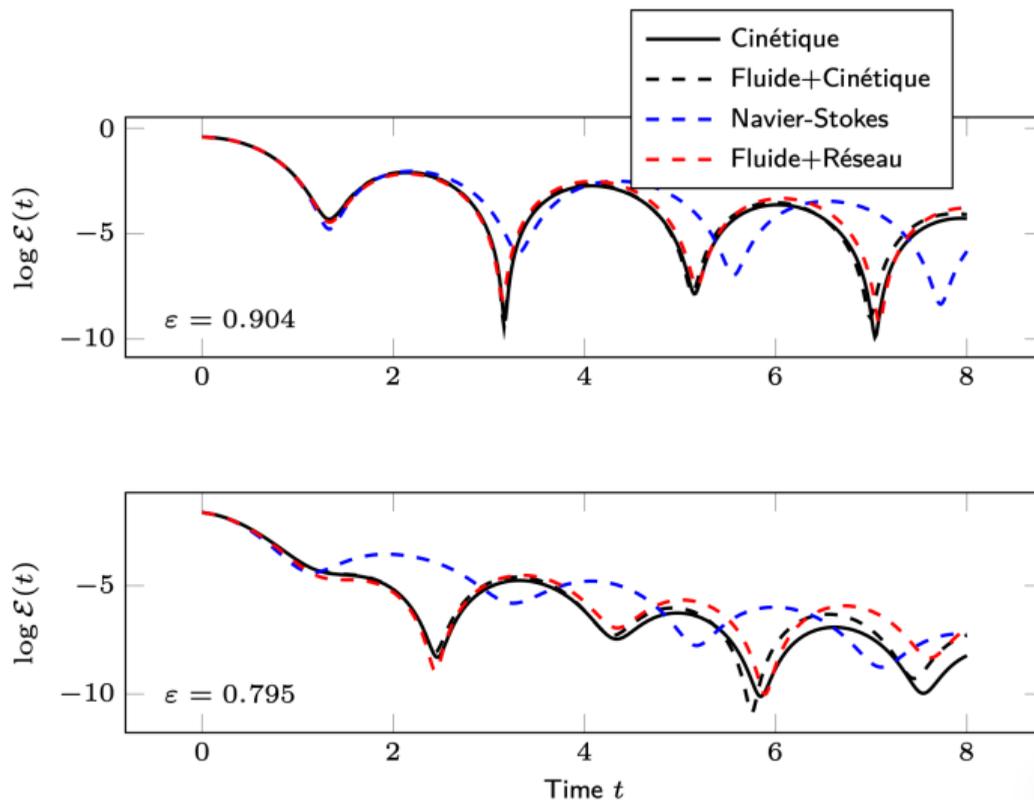
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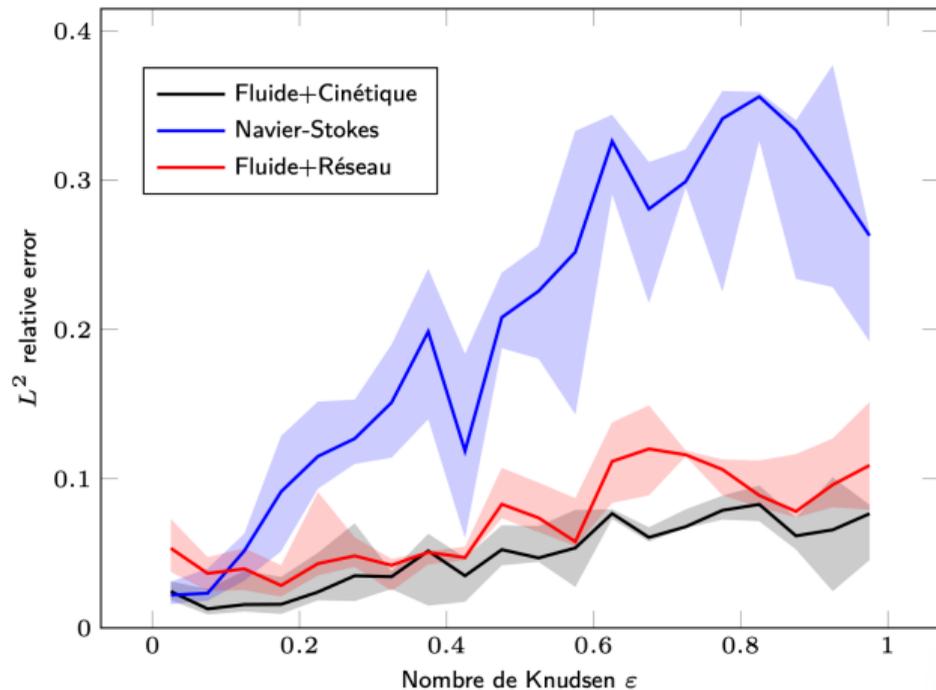
Examples (1/2)



Examples (2/2)



Influence de ϵ



- The error of the model “Fluid+network” increase like the error of the “fluid+kinetic” model. It can be explain by the numerical error which are different for the two models.

Difficulty: stability

- Network hyper-parameters :

Hyper-parameter	Value
input size	512
number of level (ℓ)	5
initial width (d)	4
kernel size (p)	11
activation function	softplus

- total number of parameters : 161 937

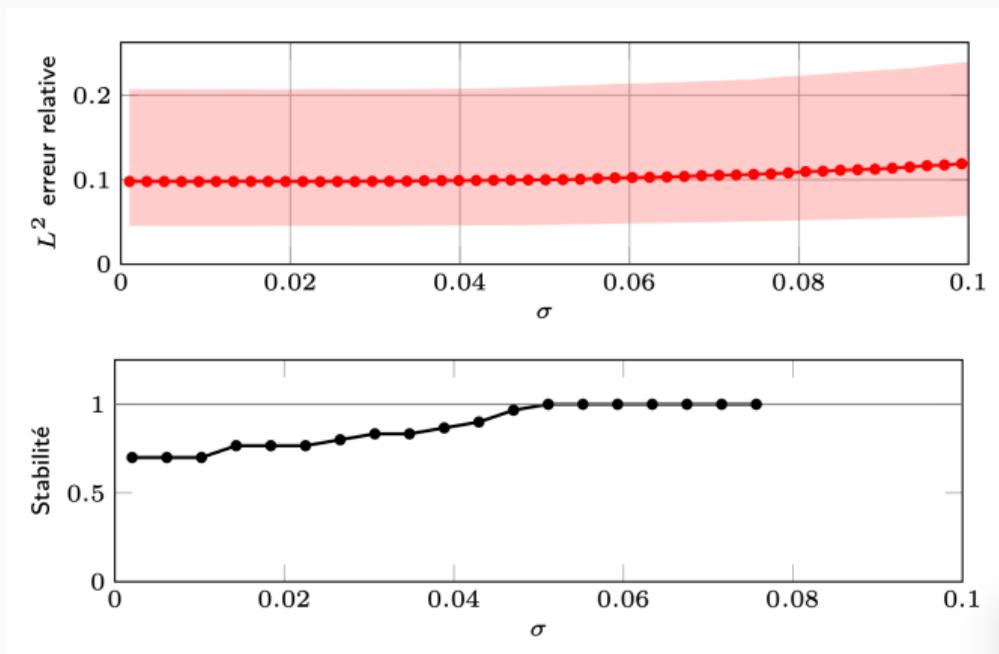
- **Scheme :**

- ▶ We compute Q_θ^n avec ρ^n, u^n and T^n
- ▶ We compute the discrete derivative of $\partial_x Q_\theta^n$
- ▶ We compute the fluid model with a explicit scheme and $\partial_x Q_\theta^n$ is used as a source term.

- We cannot assure that Q_θ^n and $\partial_x Q_\theta^n$ doest not generate spurious oscillations.
- The numerical oscillations can destroy **the stability of the full scheme**.
- **To limit this problem : Gaussian regularization.**

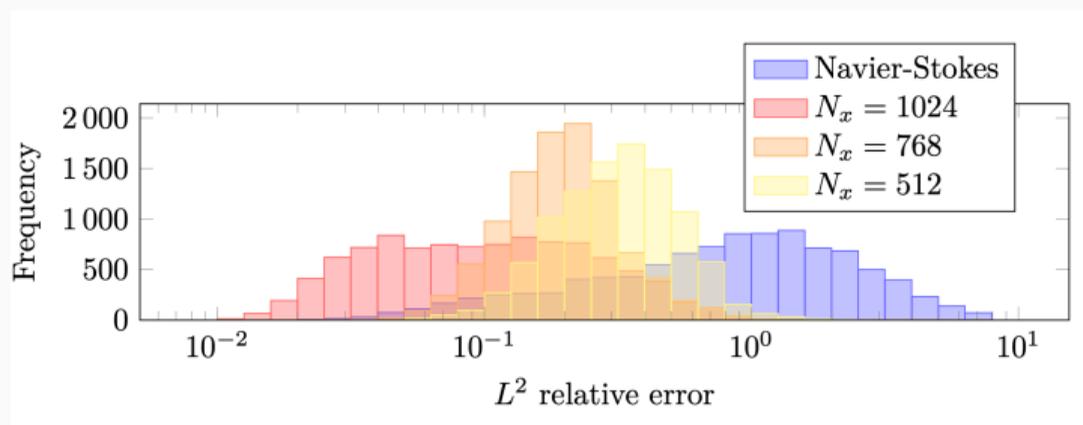
Stability analysis

- **Top:** relative error on Q depending on regularization parameter σ
- **Bottom:** percentage of simulations that are stable



Resolution changing

- For real applications, we wish to **change the mesh resolution**.
- We plot the error at different resolution (training resolution is 1024):



- Use the network on other resolutions increase the error.
- A solution is to use **interpolation/restriction operator to always evaluate the network on the same resolution**. This works but is probably limited to smooth flows.

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Alternative method

We can construct a reduced model on the g dynamics and compute \mathbf{Q} and Π using this approximation

- **Current work:** we consider a 1D2V problem with a complex **collision operator**:

$$\mathcal{Q}(f, f) = \nabla_v \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} A(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_*) (f(\mathbf{v}_*) \nabla_v f(\mathbf{v}) - f(\mathbf{v}) \nabla_{v_*} f(\mathbf{v}_*)) d\mathbf{v}_*$$

- where $A(\mathbf{v})$ is given by:

$$A(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left(\mathcal{J} - \frac{\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|^2} \right)$$

Idea

We will approximate the dynamic of **moment of $g(t, x, \mathbf{v})$** . At the very least, we need moments:

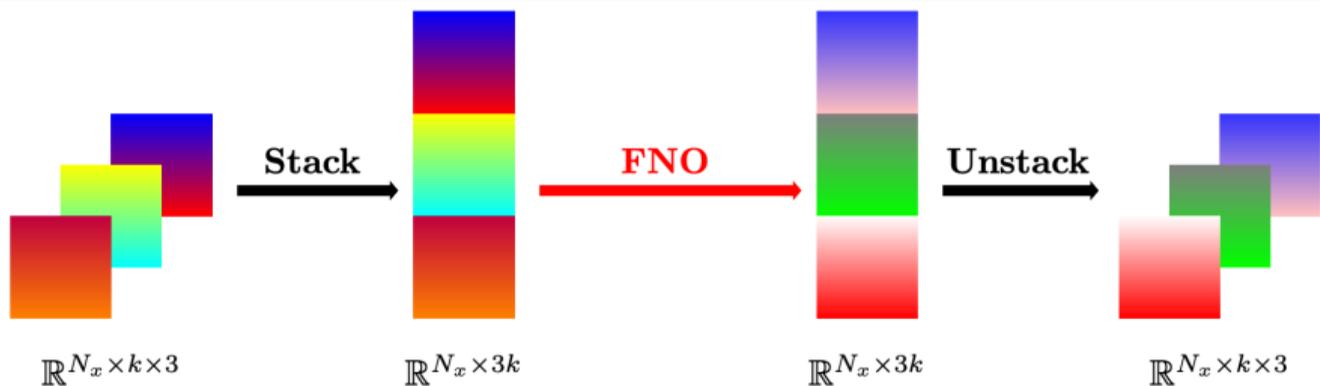
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbf{v} v_1 g dv_1, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{v}|^2 v_1 g dv_1$$

to reconstruct Π_{11} , Π_{21} and \mathbf{Q}

Neural Network architecture I

Choice

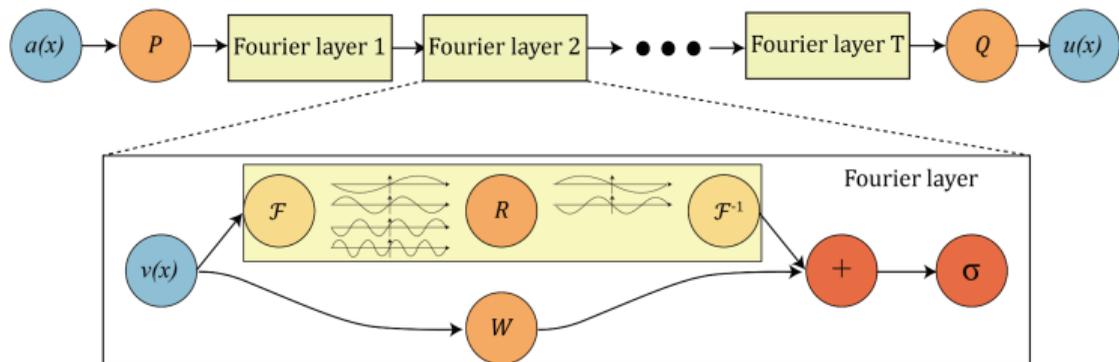
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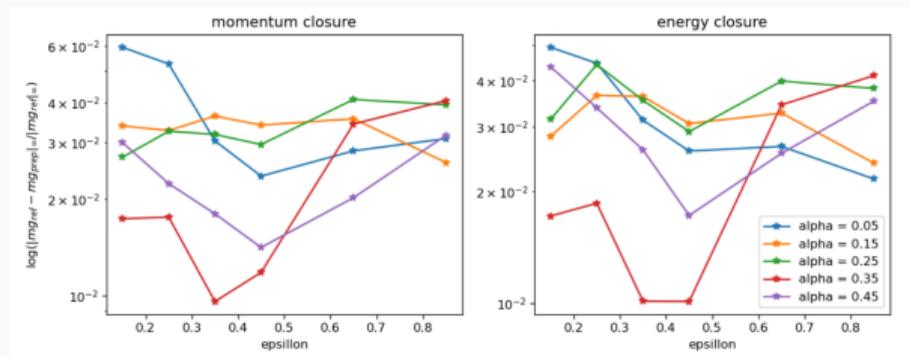
Data generation

- For now, we consider small, parametric data sets.
- **Example 1: Landau damping** We consider the Landau damping test posed on

$$f(0, x, \mathbf{v}) = \frac{\rho(0, x)}{2\pi T(0, x)} \exp\left(-\frac{|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}(0, x)|^2}{2T(0, x)}\right)$$

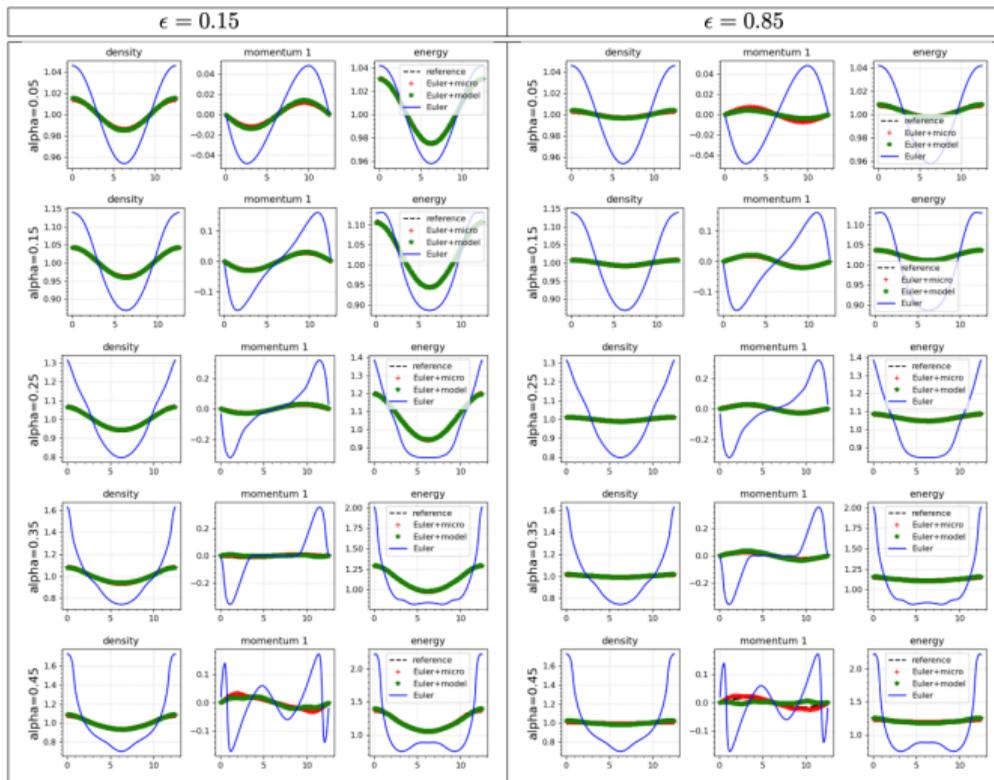
with $\mathbf{u}(0, x) = [0, 0]$, $T(0, x) = 1$ and $\rho(0, x) = 1 + \alpha \cos(0.5x)$, where $\alpha \in [0.05, 0.5]$, $\epsilon \in [0.1, 1.0]$ and we set periodic BC on the domain $[0, 4\pi] \times [-6, 6]^2$.

- Training data : 72 simulations and 2500 epochs.
- Train and test simulations: **resolution grid $128 \times 32 \times 32$, $dt = 0.0025$, $T = 15$.**



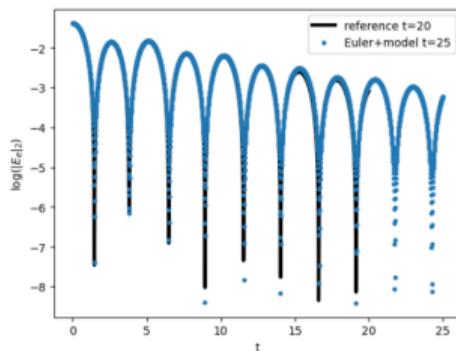
Results I

- Comparison solution at final time

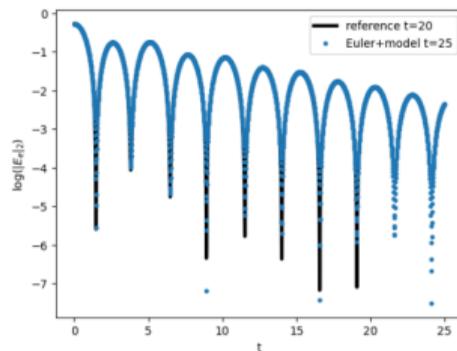


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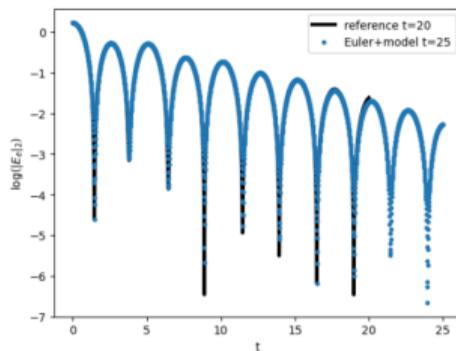
- Electrical energy decay during the time simulation



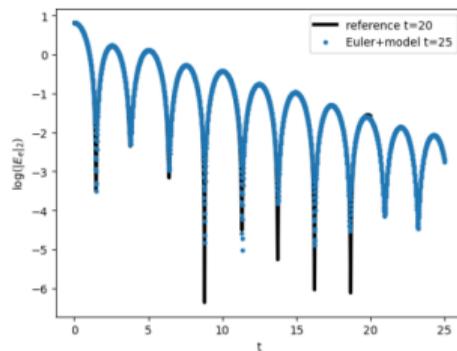
(a) $\alpha = 0.05$



(b) $\alpha = 0.15$



(c) $\alpha = 0.25$



(d) $\alpha = 0.45$

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The results show that **learning methods are relevant for building hybrid reduced models** for plasmas. The closure approach has been validated on larger data set. The second approach allows to approximate more physical phenomena.

Difficulties

- Generating data can be costly...
- Theoretical and numerical stability remains an open question!

Stability

- The Vlasov equation admit a **metriplectic structure**:

$$\frac{df}{dt} = [f, H] + (f, S)$$

with H the conserved Hamiltonian and dissipated entropy S .

- **Aim: preserve this structure in the reduced models.**