



Basics of Neural Networks and Their Application in Solving Differential Equations

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Introduction

- Neural networks serve as the foundational architecture of Deep Learning.
- Their structure and operation are inspired by the biological neurons found in the human brain, hence the term 'neural'.
- This interconnected structure allows neural networks to learn complex patterns and relationships in the data.

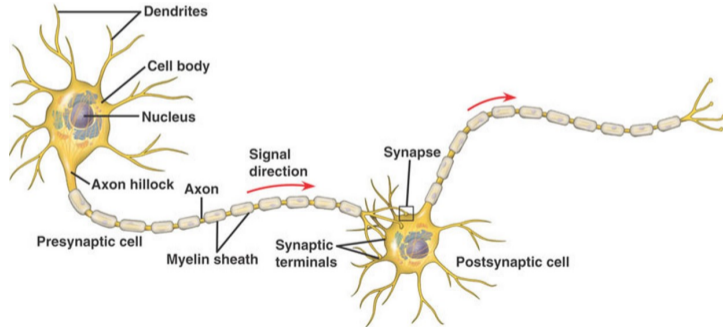


Figure: Biological Neurons

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- **Structure:** Composed of neurons (nodes) arranged in layers (input, hidden, and output).
- **Layers:**
 - **Input Layer:** Takes input data
 - **Hidden Layers:** Intermediate layers that process inputs through weights and biases.
 - **Output Layer:** Produces the final output.
- **Activation Functions:** Functions applied to the weighted sum of inputs to introduce non-linearity (e.g., ReLU, sigmoid).

Basic Working Principle

- ANNs learn to map input to output by adjusting weights and biases through training.

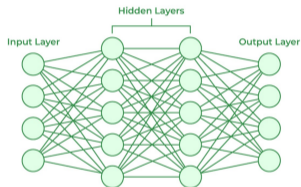


Figure: Architecture of ANN



Components of NN

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- Neurons (Nodes)
- Weights
- Biases
- Activation Function
- Loss Function
- Gradient Descent
- Learning Rate

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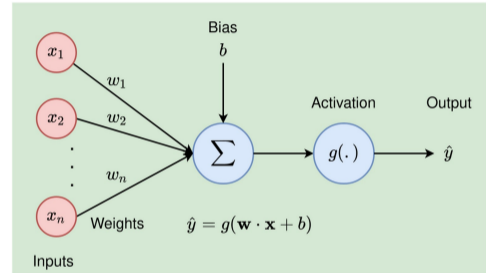


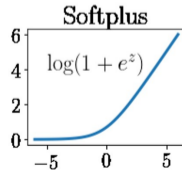
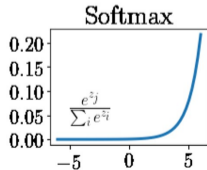
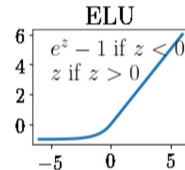
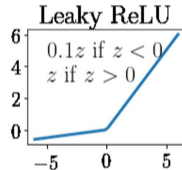
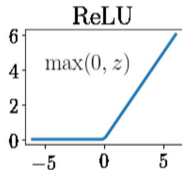
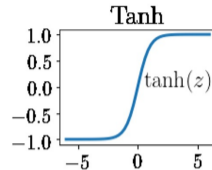
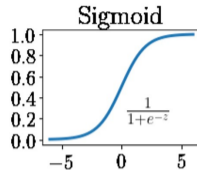
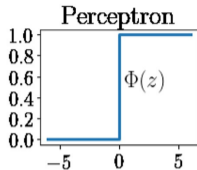
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Activation Functions

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- A loss function, also known as a cost function or objective function, measures the difference between the predicted outputs of a neural network and the actual target values.
- It is essentially a quantification of the error in value estimation.
- Minimizing the loss function results in high prediction accuracy.

$$\frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^i) - y^i)^2$$

Figure: Mean Square Error

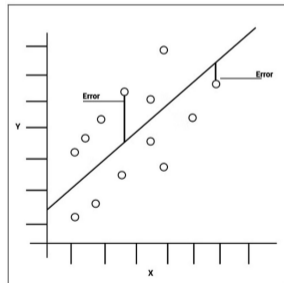


Figure: Linear Regression



Forward Propagation

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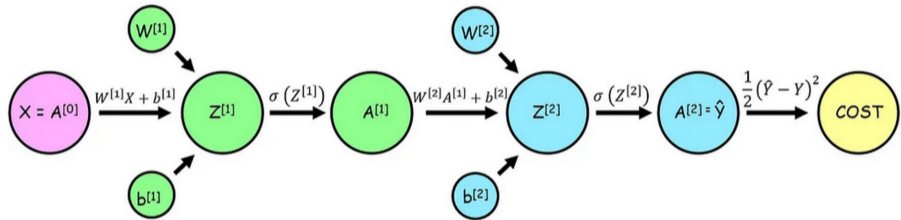
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Original function:

$$J = \frac{1}{2} (A^{[2]} - Y)^2$$

$$A^{[2]} = \sigma(Z^{[2]}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-Z^{[2]}}}$$

$$Z^{[2]} = W^{[2]}A^{[1]} + b^{[2]}$$

Partial derivative:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial A^{[2]}} = A^{[2]} - Y$$

$$\frac{\partial A^{[2]}}{\partial Z^{[2]}} = A^{[2]}(1 - A^{[2]})$$

$$\frac{\partial Z^{[2]}}{\partial W^{[2]}} = A^{[1]}$$



Back Propagation for Weight

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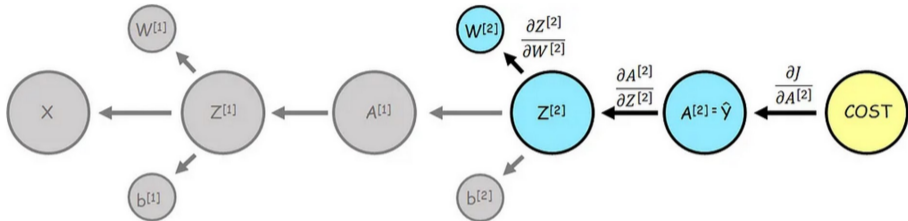
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$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial W^{[2]}} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial A^{[2]}} \frac{\partial A^{[2]}}{\partial Z^{[2]}} \frac{\partial Z^{[2]}}{\partial W^{[2]}} = (A^{[2]} - Y) \cdot A^{[2]}(1 - A^{[2]}) \cdot A^{[1]}$$



Back Propagation for Bias

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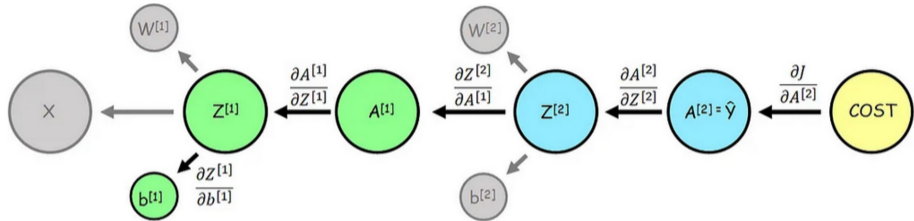
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$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial b^{[1]}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial J}{\partial A^{[2]}} \frac{\partial A^{[2]}}{\partial Z^{[2]}}}_{\text{Previously calculated}} \frac{\partial Z^{[2]}}{\partial A^{[1]}} \frac{\partial A^{[1]}}{\partial Z^{[1]}} \frac{\partial Z^{[1]}}{\partial b^{[1]}} = (A^{[2]} - Y) \cdot A^{[2]}(1 - A^{[2]}) \cdot W^{[2]} \cdot A^{[1]}(1 - A^{[1]}) \cdot 1$$



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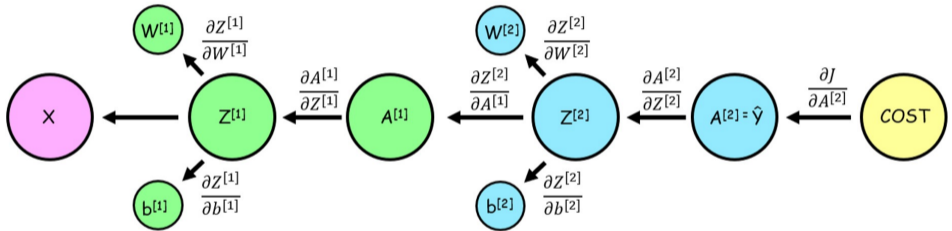
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Gradient Descent

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$$W_{new}^{[1]} = W_{old}^{[1]} - \alpha \frac{dJ}{dW^{[1]}} \quad | \quad b_{new}^{[1]} = b_{old}^{[1]} - \alpha \frac{dJ}{db^{[1]}}$$
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Learning Rate

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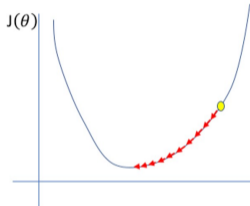
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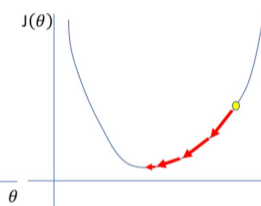


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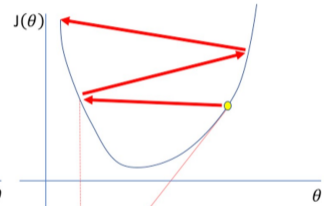
A small learning rate requires many updates before reaching the minimum point

Just right



The optimal learning rate swiftly reaches the minimum point

Too high



Too large of a learning rate causes drastic updates which lead to divergent behaviors

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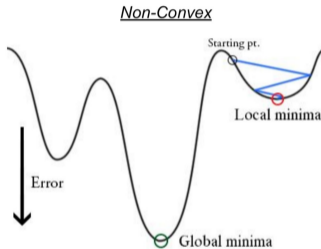
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■ Analytical Methods

■ Examples

- **Separation of Variables:** Technique to solve differential equations by separating the variables and integrating.
- **Integrating Factors:** Method to solve linear first-order differential equations by multiplying by an integrating factor.

■ Numerical Methods

■ Examples

- **Euler's Method:** Simple numerical procedure for solving ODEs by approximating solutions at discrete points.
- **Runge-Kutta Methods:** More accurate numerical methods for solving ODEs.
- **Finite Difference Method:** Numerical technique for solving PDEs by approximating derivatives with finite differences.



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■ Advantages

- **Flexibility:** The method is general and can be applied to single ODE, system of ODE's and PDE defined on orthogonal box boundaries.
- **Parallel Processing:** The method can also be efficiently implemented on parallel architecture.
- **Handling Complexity:** The required number of model parameters is far less than any other solution technique.
- **Closed Form:** An NN-based solution of a DE is differentiable and is in a closed analytic form that can be used in subsequent calculations.



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- We will now present the implementation of the paper ANN for solving ODE and PDE by Lagaris, I.E., Likas, A. and Fotiadis, D.I. | IEEE Journals Magazine | IEEE Xplore. Available at: <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/712178>.

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- ANNs can be used to approximate solutions to differential equations.
- A trial solution is written as a sum of two parts:
 - The first part satisfies the boundary or initial conditions and contains no adjustable parameters.
 - The second part involves a feedforward neural network with adjustable weights.
- By construction, the boundary conditions are satisfied, and the network is trained to satisfy the differential equation.
- Applicability ranges from single ODEs to systems of coupled ODEs and PDEs.



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- Assume a trial form of the solution: $\Psi_t(\vec{x}) = A(\vec{x}) + F(\vec{x}, N(\vec{x}, \vec{p}))$
- $N(\vec{x}, \vec{p})$ is the feedforward NN with parameters \vec{p} .
- The second term F is constructed so as not to contribute to the BC's.
- Learn the parameters to approximately solve the differential equation.

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Description of the Methods

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- Consider general differential equation: $G(\vec{x}, \Psi(\vec{x}), \nabla\Psi(\vec{x}), \nabla^2\Psi(\vec{x})) = 0$ where $\vec{x} \in D$
- Now we will use collocation method to solve the above differential equation i.e.,

$$G(\vec{x}_i, \Psi(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p}), \nabla\Psi(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p}), \nabla^2\Psi(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p})) = 0, \quad \forall \vec{x}_i \in \hat{D}$$

- Now we need to calculate

$$\min_{\vec{p}} \sum_{\vec{x}_i \in \hat{D}} (G(\vec{x}_i, \Psi_t(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p}), \nabla\Psi_t(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p}), \nabla^2\Psi_t(\vec{x}_i, \vec{p})))^2$$

- Construct a trial solution which satisfy BC(s) as

$$\Psi_t(\vec{x}) = A(\vec{x}) + F(\vec{x}, N(\vec{x}, \vec{p}))$$

where we will choose $A(\vec{x})$ as it satisfies boundary conditions and F as not to contribute to the BC(s).



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■ Input in i th hidden unit is $z_i = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij}x_j + u_i$

■ Output in i th hidden unit is $\sigma(z_i)$

■ Final output of the NN is $N = \sum_{i=1}^H v_i\sigma(z_i)$

■ w_{ij} denotes the weight from the input unit j to the hidden unit i , v_i denotes the weight from the hidden unit i to the output, u_i denotes the bias of hidden unit i and $\sigma(z)$ is the sigmoid function.

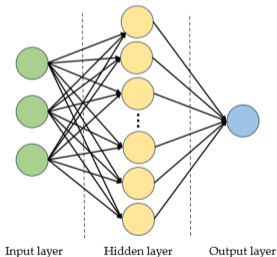


Figure: 3 input units, one hidden layer with H sigmoid units and a linear output unit



Method for first-order ODE

- Consider the first order ODE

$$\frac{d\Psi(x)}{dx} = f(x, \Psi)$$

with $x \in [0, 1]$ and the IC $\Psi(0) = A$

- A trial solution is

$$\Psi_t(x) = A + xN(x, \vec{p})$$

where $N(x, \vec{p})$ is the output of a feedforward NN with one input unit for x and weights \vec{p}

- Therefore,

$$\frac{d\Psi_t(x)}{dx} = N(x, \vec{p}) + x \frac{dN(x, \vec{p})}{dx}$$

- We need to minimized the error quantity,

$$E[\vec{p}] = \sum_i \left\{ \frac{d\Psi_t(x_i)}{dx} - f(x_i, \Psi_t(x_i)) \right\}^2, \quad x_i \in [0, 1]$$

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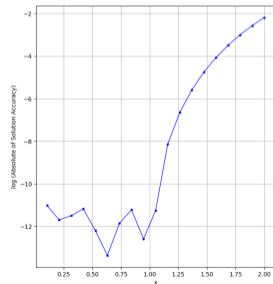
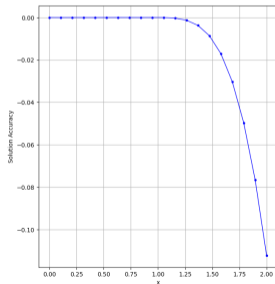
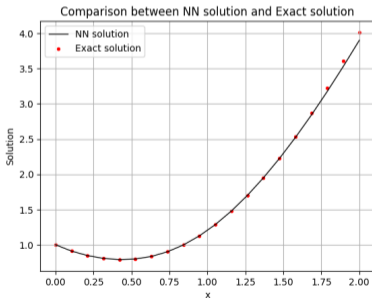
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- Solve the Single Ordinary Differential Equation

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} + \left(x + \frac{1+3x^2}{1+x+x^3} \right) \psi = x^3 + 2x + x^2 \frac{1+3x^2}{1+x+x^3} \text{ with } \psi(0) = 1 \text{ and } x \in [0, 1].$$

The analytical solution is $\psi_a(x) = \frac{e^{\frac{x^2}{2}}}{1+x+x^3} + x^2$

The trial solution is $\psi_t(x) = 1 + xN(x, \vec{p})$



Problem 2 with IVP

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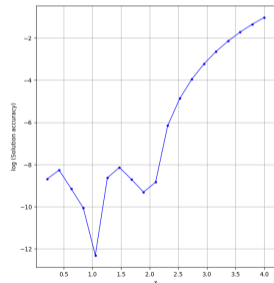
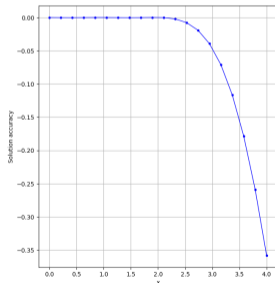
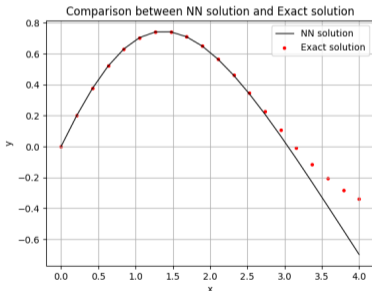
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- Solve the Single Ordinary Differential Equation $\frac{d\psi}{dx} + \frac{1}{5}\psi = e^{-\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)}\cos(x)$ with $\psi(0) = 0$ and $x \in [0, 2]$.

The analytical solution is $\psi_a(x) = e^{-\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)}\sin(x)$

The trial solution is $\psi_t(x) = xN(x, \vec{p})$



Method for second-order ODE

- Consider the second order ODE

$$\frac{d^2\Psi(x)}{dx^2} = f\left(x, \Psi, \frac{d\Psi(x)}{dx}\right)$$

with $x \in [0, 1]$

- A trial solution for the initial conditions $\Psi(0) = A$ and $\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)\Psi(0) = A'$ is

$$\Psi_t(x) = A + A'x + x^2N(x, \vec{p})$$

where $N(x, \vec{p})$ is the output of a feedforward NN with one input unit for x and weights \vec{p}

- A trial solution for the two point Dirichlet BC $\Psi(0) = A$ and $\Psi(1) = B$ is

$$\Psi_t(x) = A(1 - x) + Bx + x(1 - x)N(x, \vec{p})$$

- We need to minimized the error quantity for both cases,

$$E[\vec{p}] = \sum_i \left\{ \frac{d^2\Psi_t(x_i)}{dx^2} - f\left(x_i, \Psi_t(x_i), \frac{d\Psi_t(x_i)}{dx}\right) \right\}^2, \quad x_i \in [0, 1]$$

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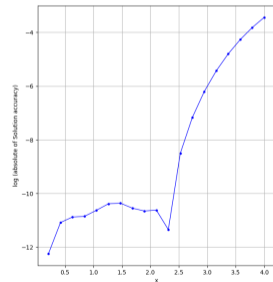
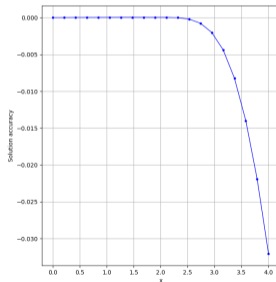
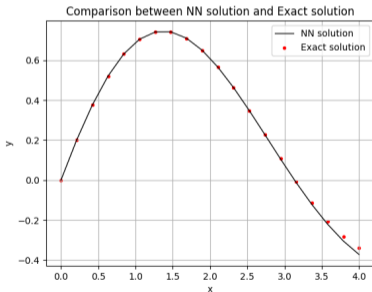
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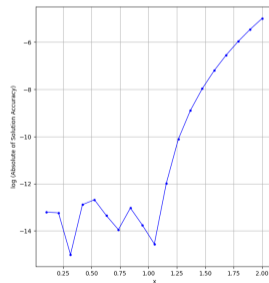
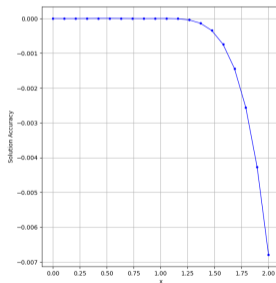
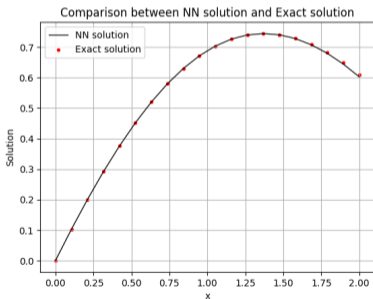
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The analytical solution is $\Psi(x) = e^{-\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)} \sin(x)$
The trial solution is: $\Psi_t(x) = x \sin(1) e^{-\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)} + x(1-x)N(x, \vec{p})$



Method for systems of K first-order ODEs

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- Consider the systems of first order ODEs

$$\frac{d\Psi_i}{dx} = f_i(x, \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \dots, \Psi_K)$$

with $i = 1, \dots, K$ and the ICs $\Psi_i(0) = A_i$

- A trial solution is

$$\Psi_{t_i}(x) = A_i + xN_i(x, \vec{p}_i)$$

where $N_i(x, \vec{p}_i)$ is the output of a feedforward NN with one input unit for x and weights \vec{p}_i for $i = 1, \dots, K$

- We need to minimize the error quantity,

$$E[\vec{p}] = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_i \left\{ \frac{d\Psi_{t_k}(x_i)}{dx} - f_k(x_i, \Psi_{t_1}, \Psi_{t_2}, \dots, \Psi_{t_K}) \right\}^2, \quad x_i \in [0, a]$$



Problem 4 with IVP

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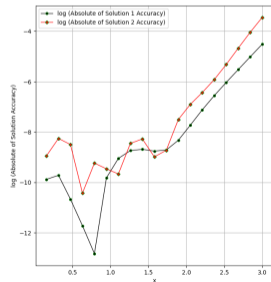
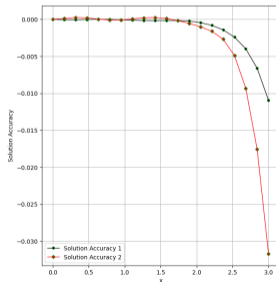
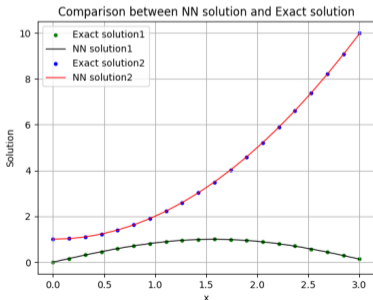
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- Consider the system of two coupled first order Ordinary Differential Equations $\frac{d\psi_1}{dx} = \cos(x) + \psi_1^2 + \psi_2 - (1 + x^2 + \sin^2(x))$

$$\frac{d\psi_2}{dx} = 2x - (1 + x^2)\sin(x) + \psi_1\psi_2 \text{ with } \psi_1(0) = 0, \psi_2(0) = 1 \text{ and } x \in [0, 3].$$

The analytical solutions are $\psi_{a_1}(x) = \sin(x)$, $\psi_{a_2}(x) = 1 + x^2$

The trial solutions are $\psi_{t_1}(x) = xN_1(x, \vec{p}_1)$, $\psi_{t_2}(x) = 1 + xN_2(x, \vec{p}_2)$



Method for Single PDE with Dirichlet BC

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- Consider only two-dimensional problems. For example, the Poisson equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

with Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\Psi(0, y) = f_0(y), \quad \Psi(1, y) = f_1(y), \quad \Psi(x, 0) = g_0(x), \quad \Psi(x, 1) = g_1(x)$$

- A trial solution is

$$\Psi_t(x, y) = A(x, y) + x(1-x)y(1-y)N(x, y, \vec{p})$$

where $A(x, y) = (1-x)f_0(y) + xf_1(y) + (1-y)\{g_0(x) - [(1-x)g_0(0) + xg_0(1)]\} + y\{g_1(x) - [(1-x)g_1(0) + xg_1(1)]\}$ and $N(x, y, \vec{p})$ is the output of a feedforward NN with two input units for x, y and weights \vec{p}

- We need to minimize the error quantity,

$$E[\vec{p}] = \sum_i \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x_i, y_i)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x_i, y_i)}{\partial y^2} - f(x_i, y_i) \right\}^2, \quad (x_i, y_i) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$



Problem 5 with Dirichlet BC

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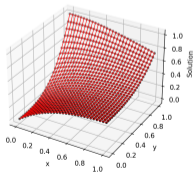
- Solve the Partial Differential Equation $\nabla^2 \Psi(x, y) = e^{-x}(x - 2 + y^3 + 6y)$ i.e., $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = e^{-x}(x - 2 + y^3 + 6y)$ with $x, y \in [0, 1]$ and with Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\Psi(0, y) = y^3, \quad \Psi(1, y) = \frac{(1+y^3)}{e}, \quad \Psi(x, 0) = xe^{-x}, \quad \Psi(x, 1) = e^{-x}(1+x)$$

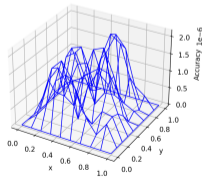
The analytical solution is $\Psi_a(x, y) = e^{-x}(x + y^3)$

The trial solution is $\Psi_t(x, y) = A(x, y) + x(1-x)y(1-y)N(x, y, \vec{p})$

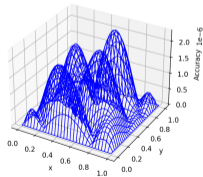
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Method for Single PDE with mixed BC

- Again for example, consider the Poisson equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, y)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x, y)}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

with mixed boundary conditions

$$\Psi(0, y) = f_0(y), \quad \Psi(1, y) = f_1(y), \quad \Psi(x, 0) = g_0(x), \quad \left(\frac{\partial \Psi(x, 1)}{\partial y}\right) = g_1(x)$$

- A trial solution is

$$\Psi_t(x, y) = B(x, y) + x(1 - x)y \left[N(x, y, \vec{p}) - N(x, 1, \vec{p}) - \frac{\partial N(x, 1, \vec{p})}{\partial y} \right]$$

where $B(x, y) = (1 - x)f_0(y) + xf_1(y) + g_0(x) - [(1 - x)g_0(0) + xg_0(1)] + y\{g_1(x) - [(1 - x)g_1(0) + xg_1(1)]\}$ and $N(x, y, \vec{p})$ is the output of a feedforward NN with two input units for x, y and weights \vec{p}

- We need to minimize the error quantity,

$$E[\vec{p}] = \sum_i \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x_i, y_i)}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x_i, y_i)}{\partial y^2} - f(x_i, y_i) \right\}^2, \quad (x_i, y_i) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

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- Solve the Partial Differential Equation $\nabla^2 \Psi(x, y) = (2 - \pi^2 y^2) \sin(\pi x)$ i.e., $\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} = (2 - \pi^2 y^2) \sin(\pi x)$ with $x, y \in [0, 1]$ and with mixed boundary conditions

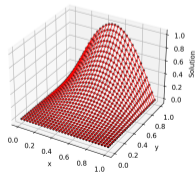
$$\Psi(0, y) = 0, \Psi(1, y) = 0, \Psi(x, 0) = 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Psi(x, 1) = 2 \sin(\pi x)$$

The analytic solution is $\Psi_a(x, y) = y^2 \sin(\pi x)$

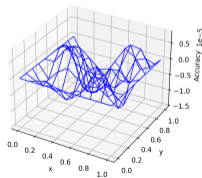
The trial solution is

$$\Psi_t(x, y) = B(x, y) + x(1 - x)y \left[N(x, y, \vec{p}) - N(x, 1, \vec{p}) - \frac{\partial N(x, 1, \vec{p})}{\partial y} \right]$$

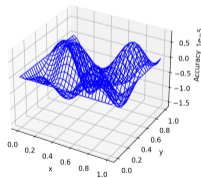
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Problem 7 with mixed BC

■ Solve the Non-linear Partial Differential Equation

$$\nabla^2 \Psi(x, y) + \Psi(x, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Psi(x, y) = \sin(\pi x)(2 - \pi^2 y^2 + 2y^3 \sin(\pi x))$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} + \Psi \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} = \sin(\pi x)(2 - \pi^2 y^2 + 2y^3 \sin(\pi x)) \text{ with } x, y \in [0, 1]$$

and with mixed boundary conditions

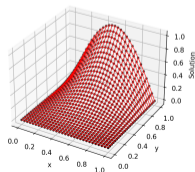
$$\Psi(0, y) = 0, \Psi(1, y) = 0, \Psi(x, 0) = 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Psi(x, 1) = 2\sin(\pi x)$$

The analytic solution is $\Psi_a(x, y) = y^2 \sin(\pi x)$

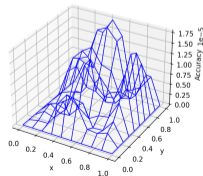
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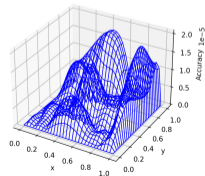
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