

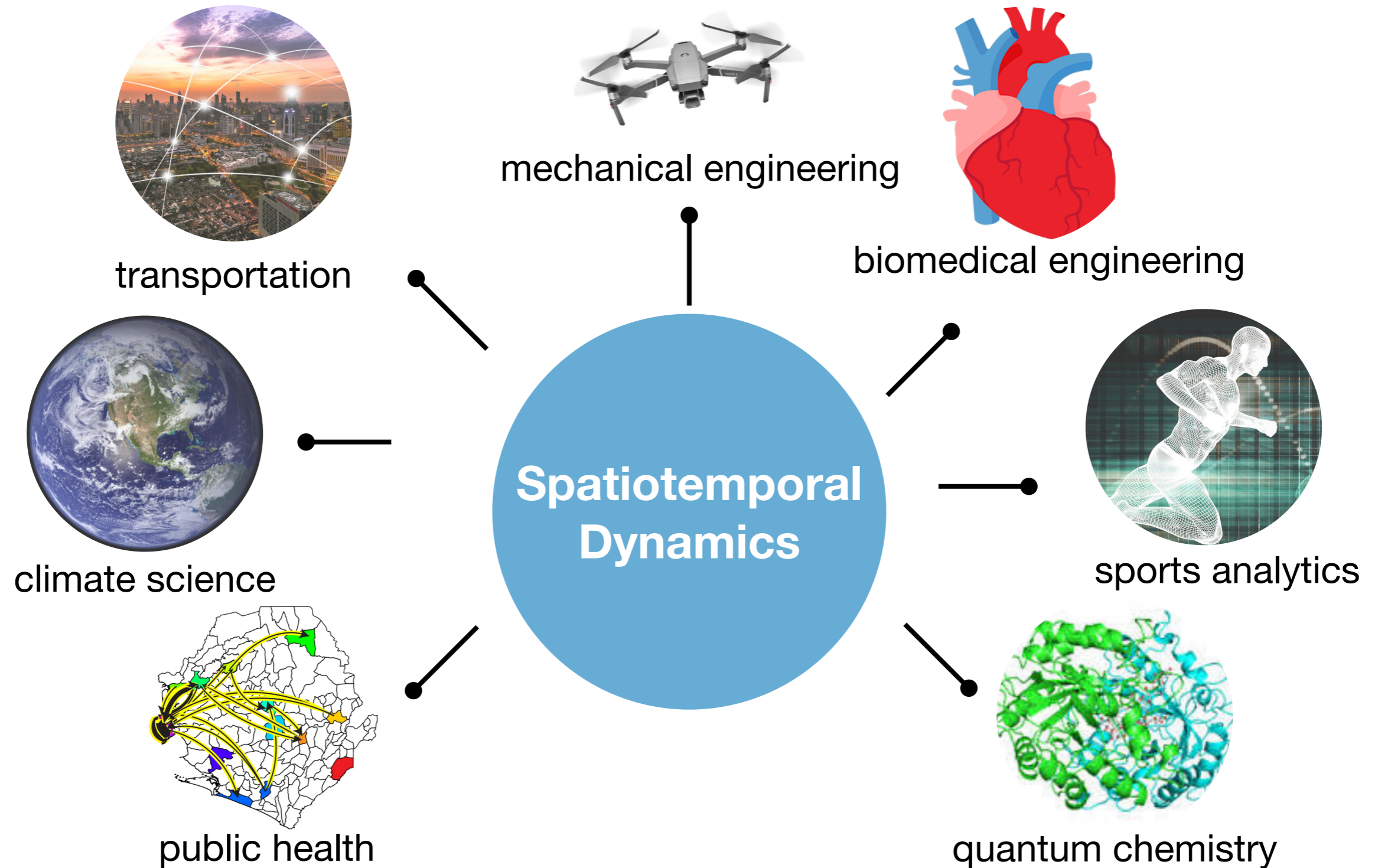
Incorporating **Symmetry** for Learning Spatiotemporal Dynamics



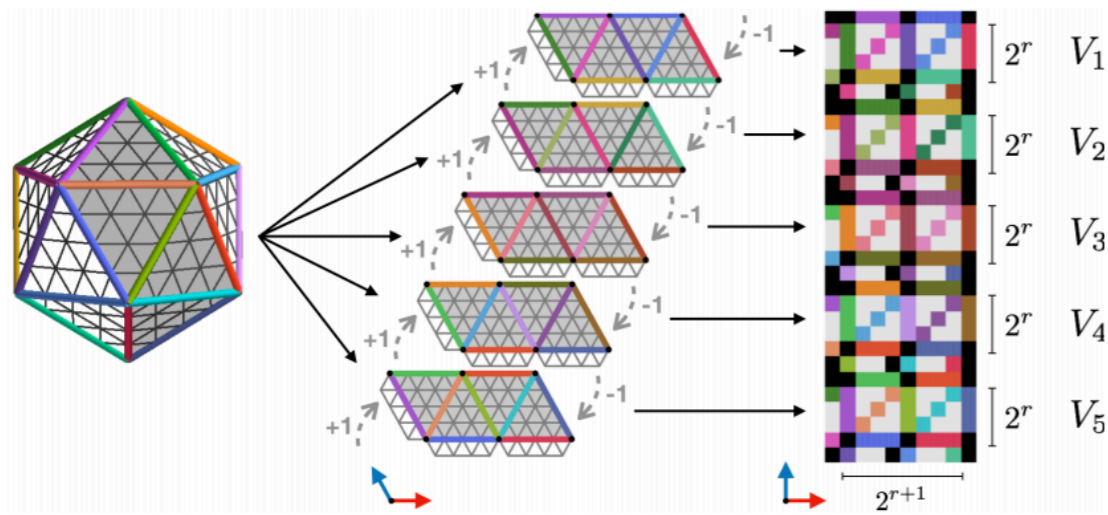
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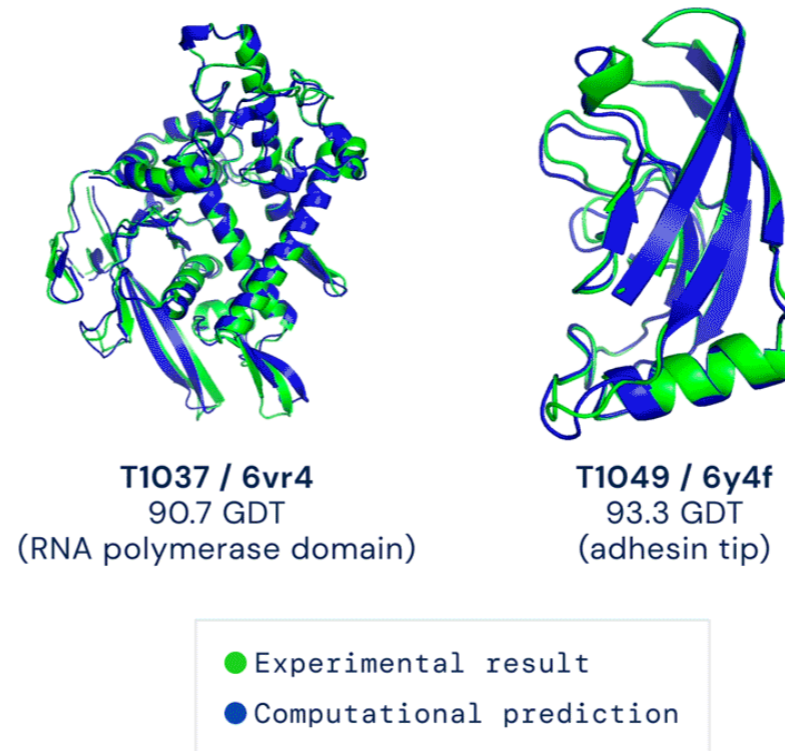
Learning Spatiotemporal Dynamics



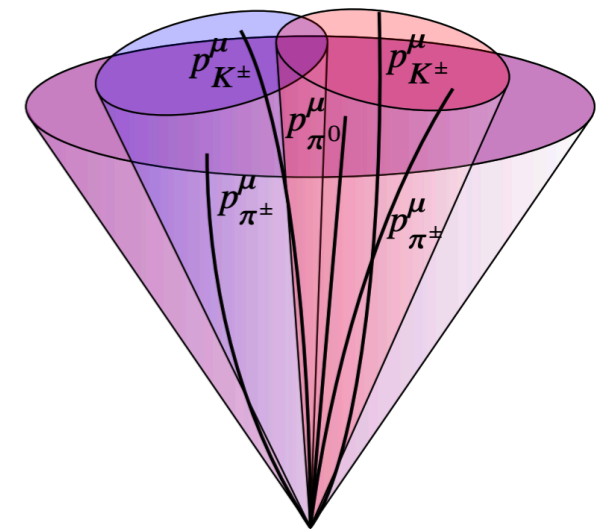
Success of Symmetry



Cohen et al 2019



Jumper et al 2021

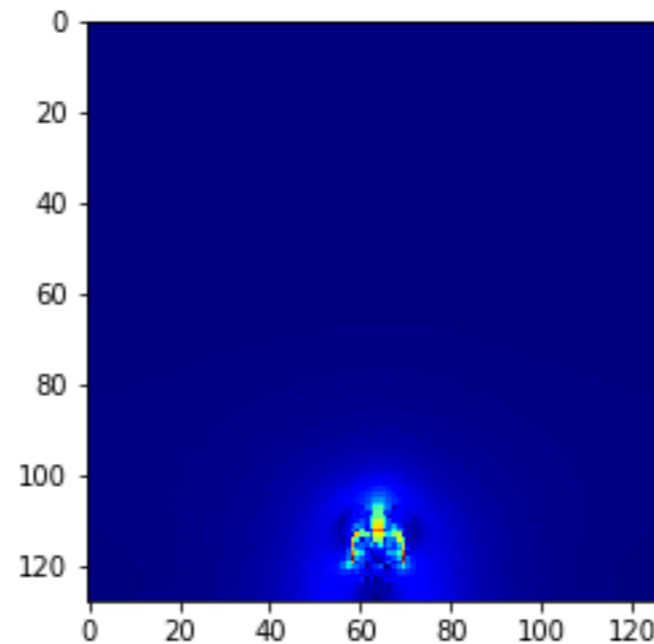


Bogatskiy et al 2020

Ravanbakhsh et al. (2017); Kondor & Trivedi (2018); Cohen & Welling (2016b); Thomas et al. (2018); Maron et al. (2020); Walters et al. (2021).....

How about Spatiotemporal Dynamics?

Incorporating **Symmetry** for Generalization



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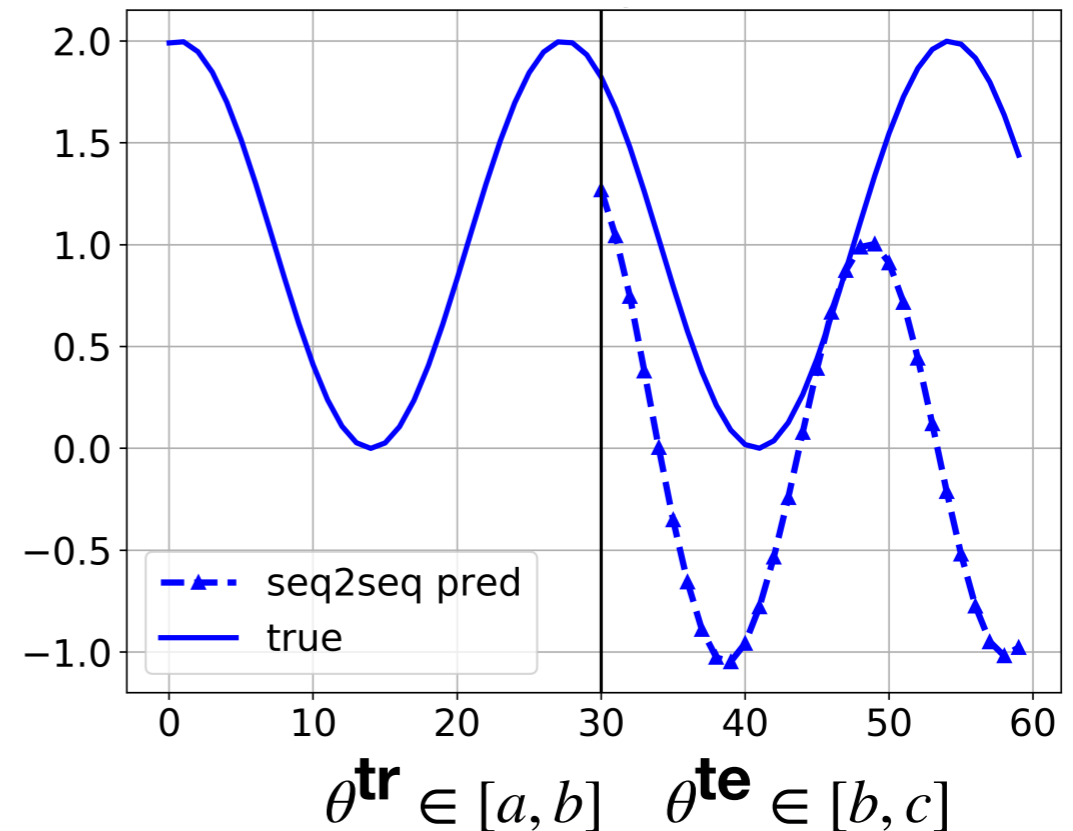
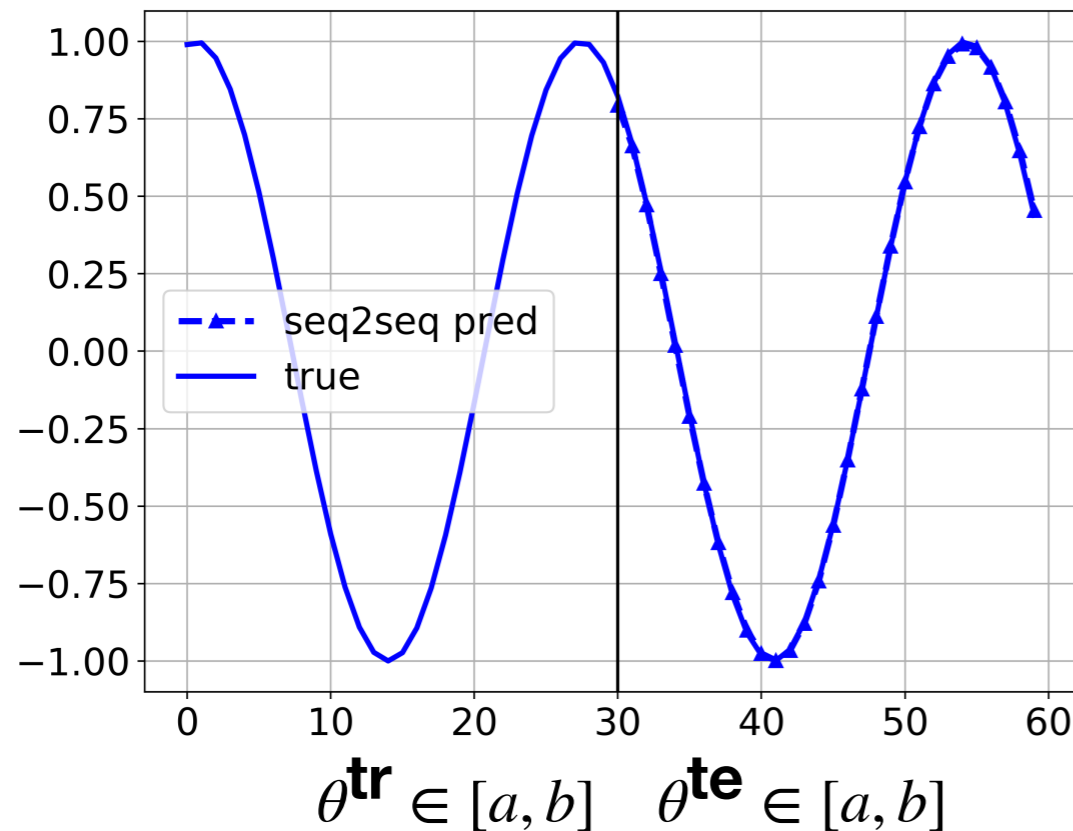
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Incorporating Symmetry into Deep Dynamics Models for Improved Generalization

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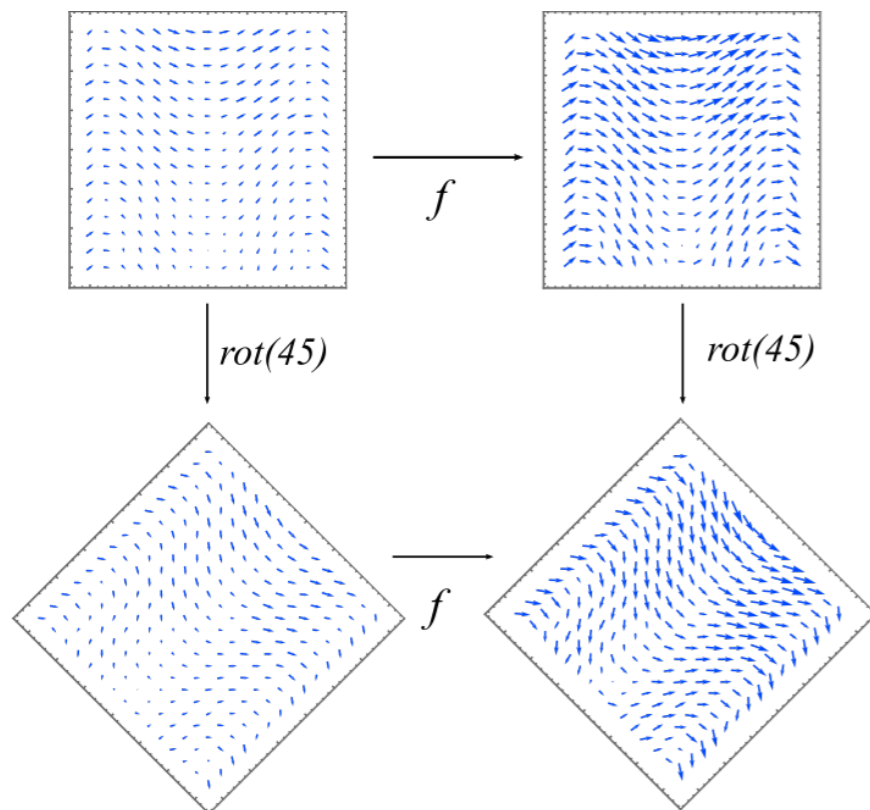
Generalization Challenge



- **Generalization:** fundamental challenge in dynamics forecasting
 - Performance degrades with test *distributional shift*
 - Punchline: distributions change, laws of physics do not!

Conservation Laws and Symmetry

- **Noether's theorem:** *For every symmetry, there is a corresponding conservation law*



- **Invariance, Equivariance:**
 - G-invariant: $f(g(x)) = f(x)$
 - G-equivariant: $f(gx) = gf(x)$

Symmetry in Dynamical Systems

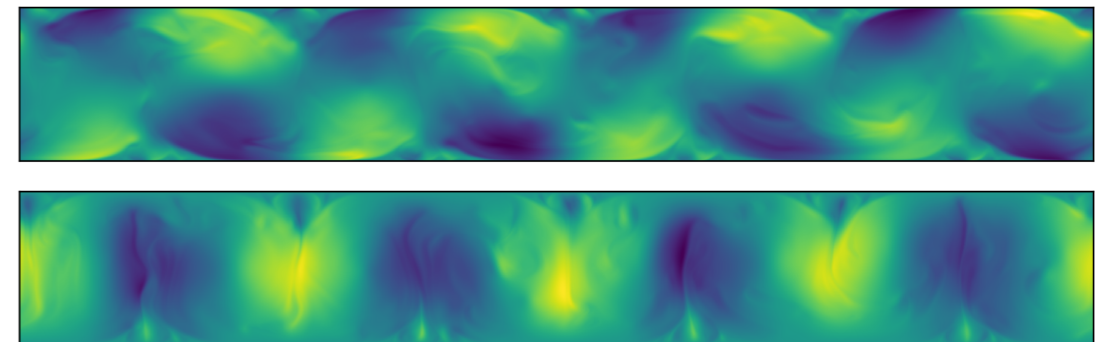
- A system of differential operators
 $D = \{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$
- if ϕ is a solution of D , then for all
 $g \in G$, $g(\phi)$ is also a solution

- **2D Navier-Stokes Equations**

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{w} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{w} + f$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$$

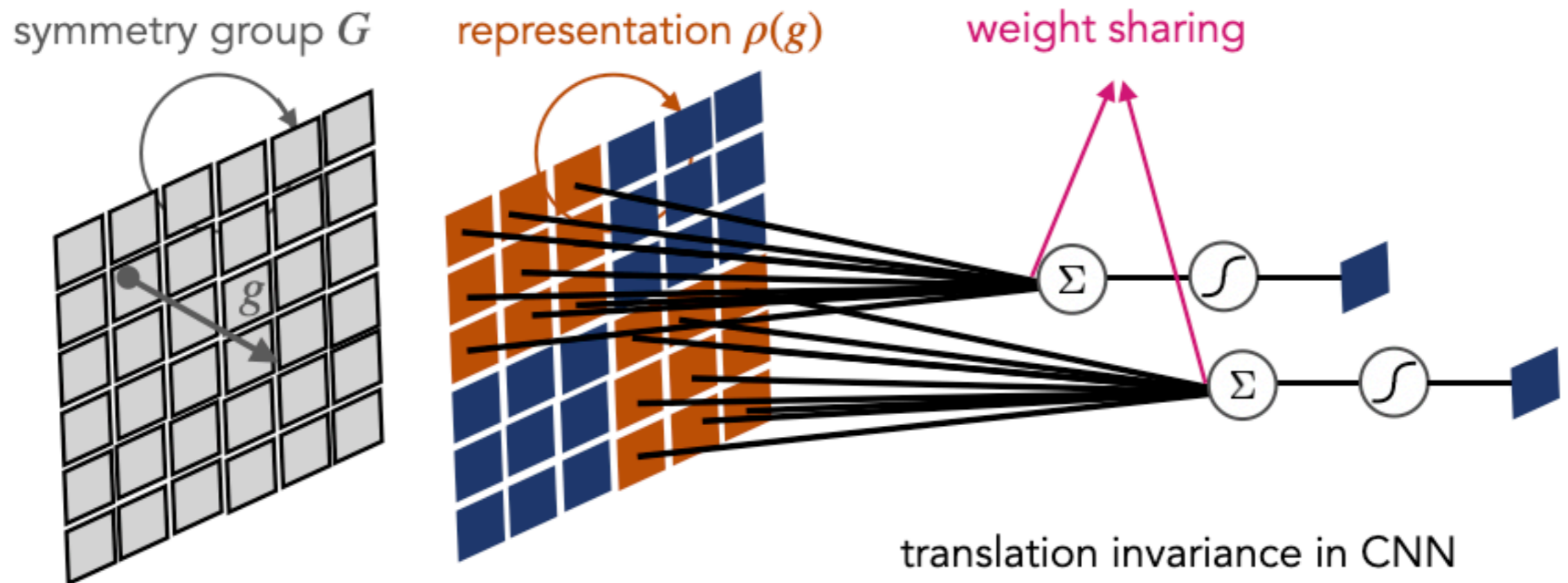
$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla) T = \kappa \nabla^2 T$$



<i>Symmetries</i>	<i>NS Equ.</i>
Space translation	$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}, t)$
Time translation	$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, t - \tau)$
Uniform Motion	$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{c}$
Reflect/rotation	$R\mathbf{w}(R^{-1}\mathbf{x}, t)$
Scaling	$\lambda \mathbf{w}(\lambda \mathbf{x}, \lambda^2 t)$

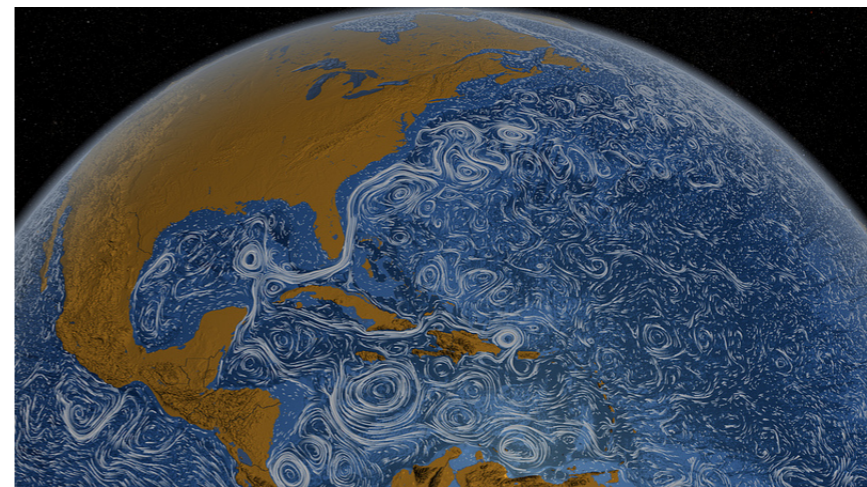
Scaling Law

Weight Symmetry



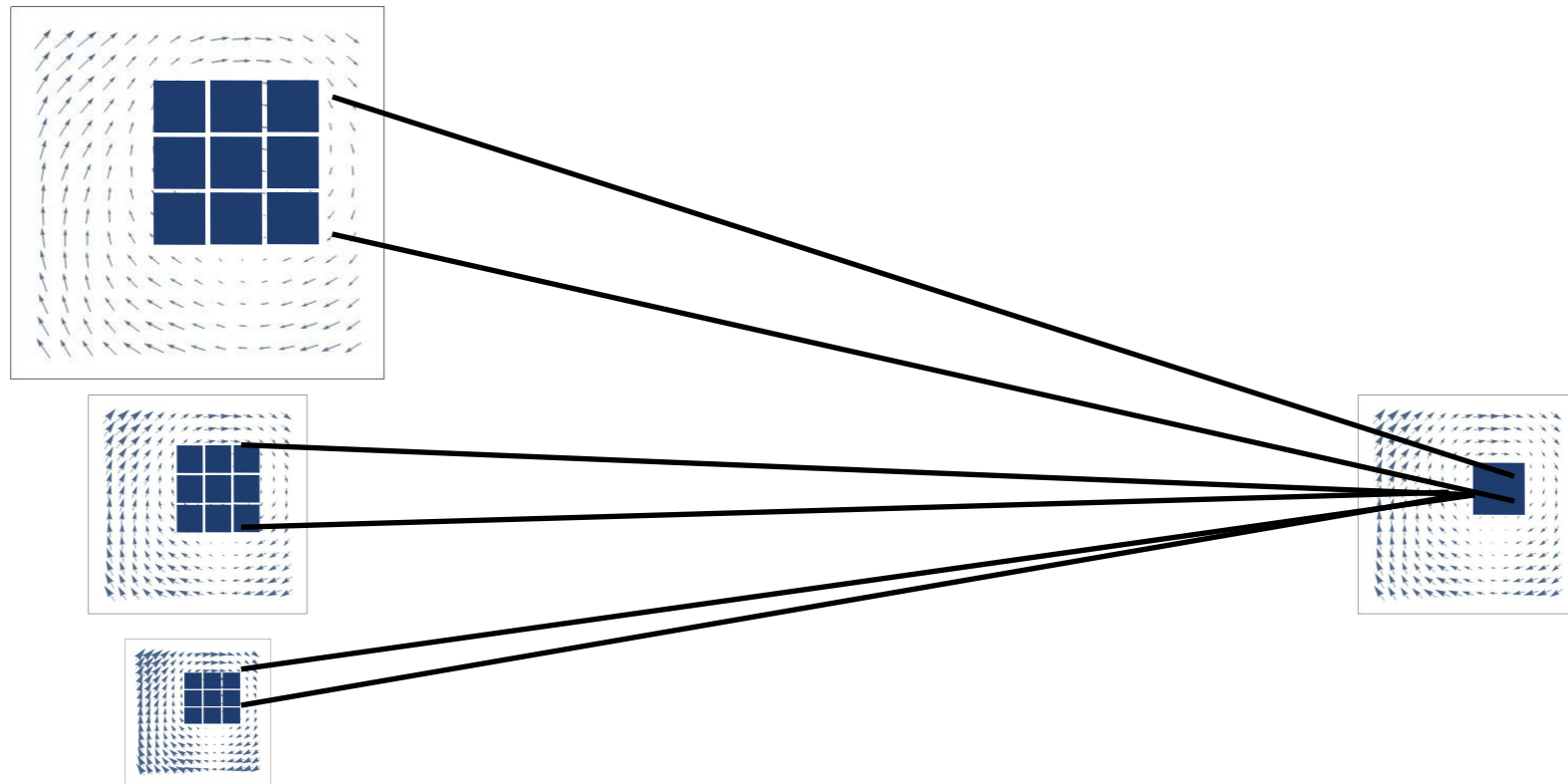
Theorem (Weiler & Cesa 2019): a convolutional layer is G -equivariant if and only if the kernel satisfies $K(gv) = \rho_{out}^{-1}(g)K(v)\rho_{in}(g)$ for all $g \in G$, with action maps ρ_{in} and ρ_{out} .

Symmetry: Scaling



- Standard convolution shares weights across the input by translating a kernel across the input.
- For scale-equivariant convolution, we must translate and scale a kernel across the input.

Symmetry: Scaling

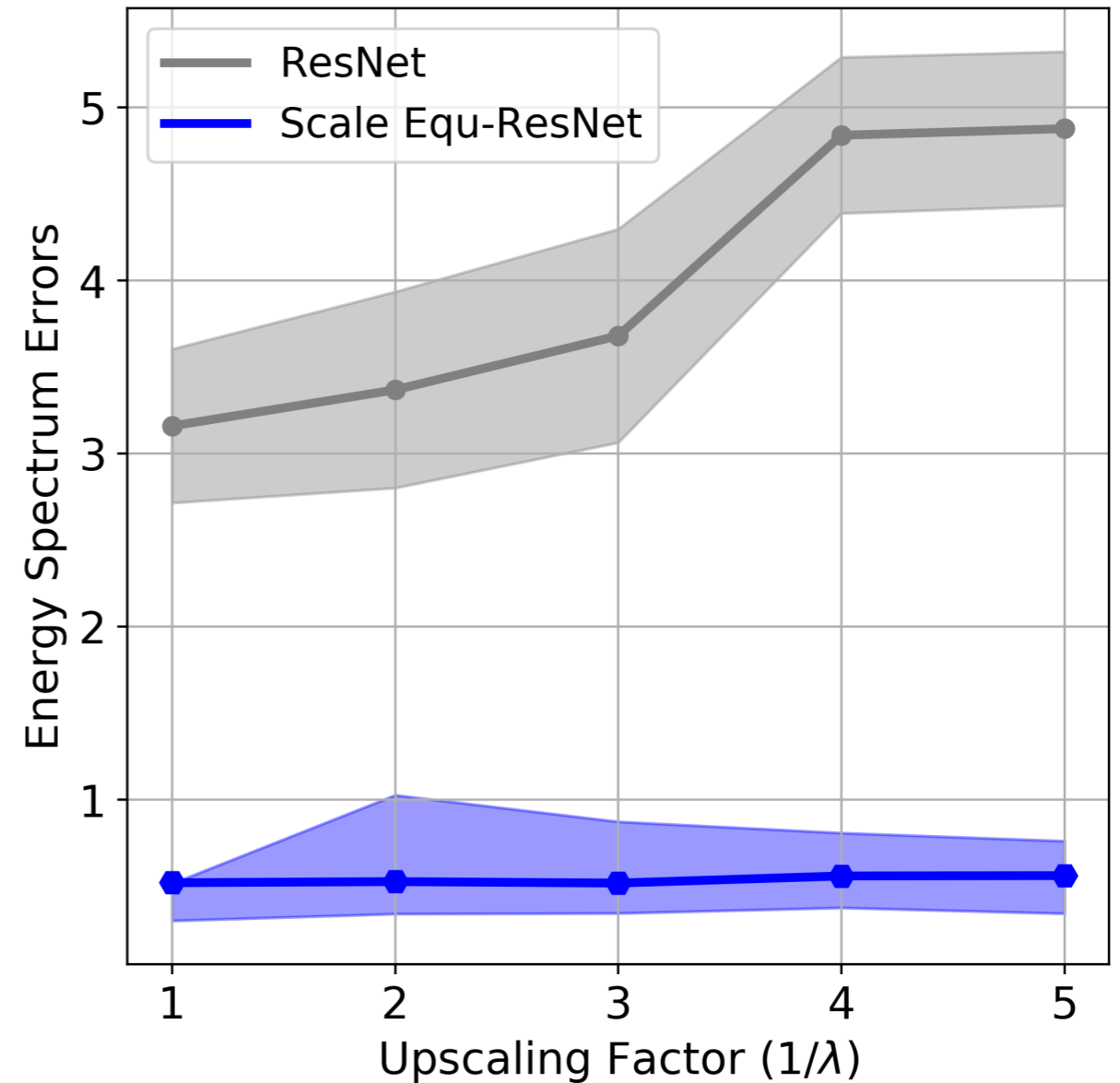
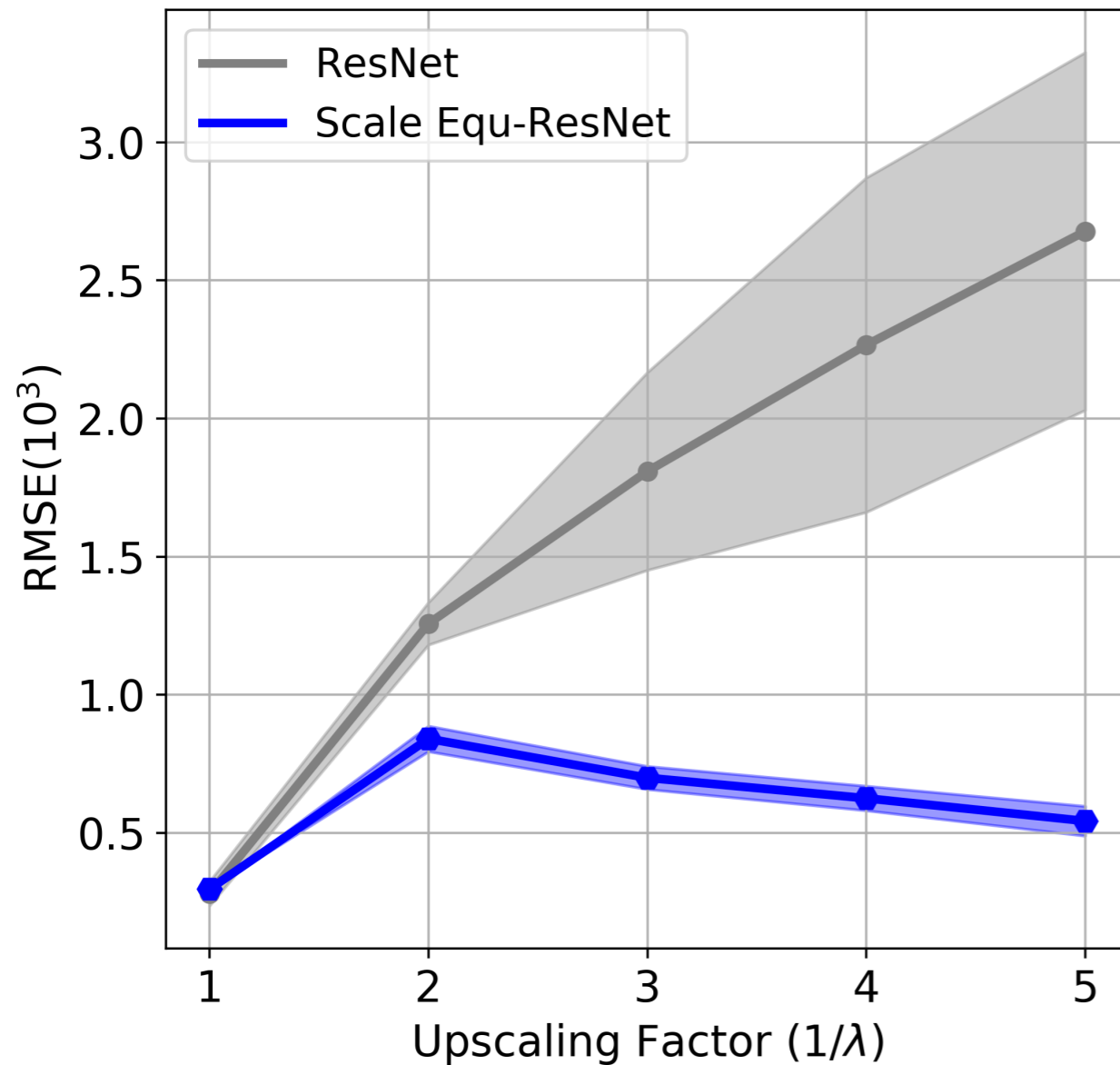


- *Scale equivariant*

$$\mathbf{v}(p) = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}, q \in \mathbb{Z}^2} (T_\lambda \mathbf{w})(p + q)(T_\lambda K)(q),$$

$$T_\lambda w(x, t) = \lambda w(\lambda x, \lambda^2 t)$$

Ocean Currents Forecast



Physically Consistent Predictions!

Approximately Equivariant Networks



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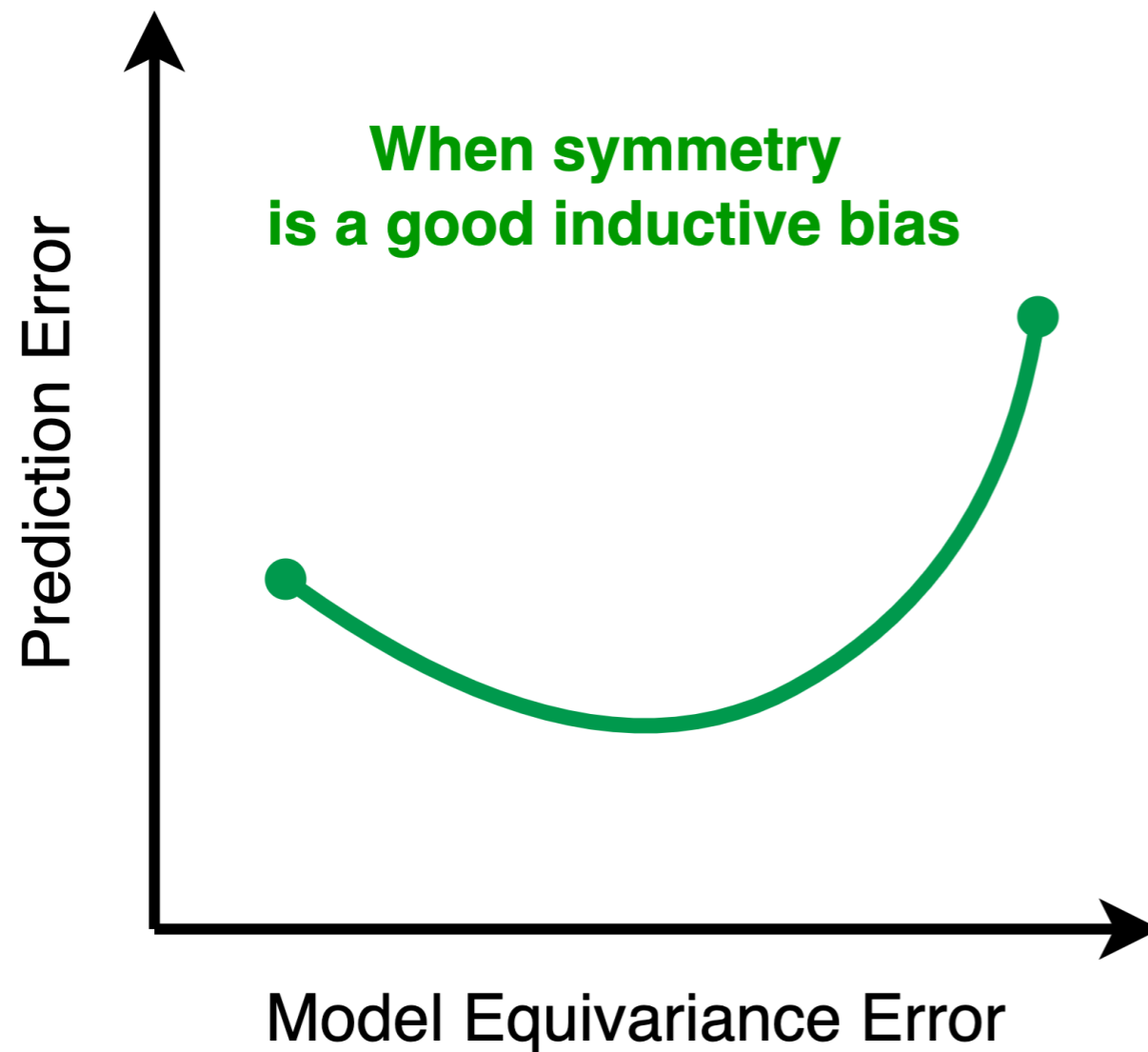
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Approximately Equivariant Networks for Imperfectly Symmetric Dynamics

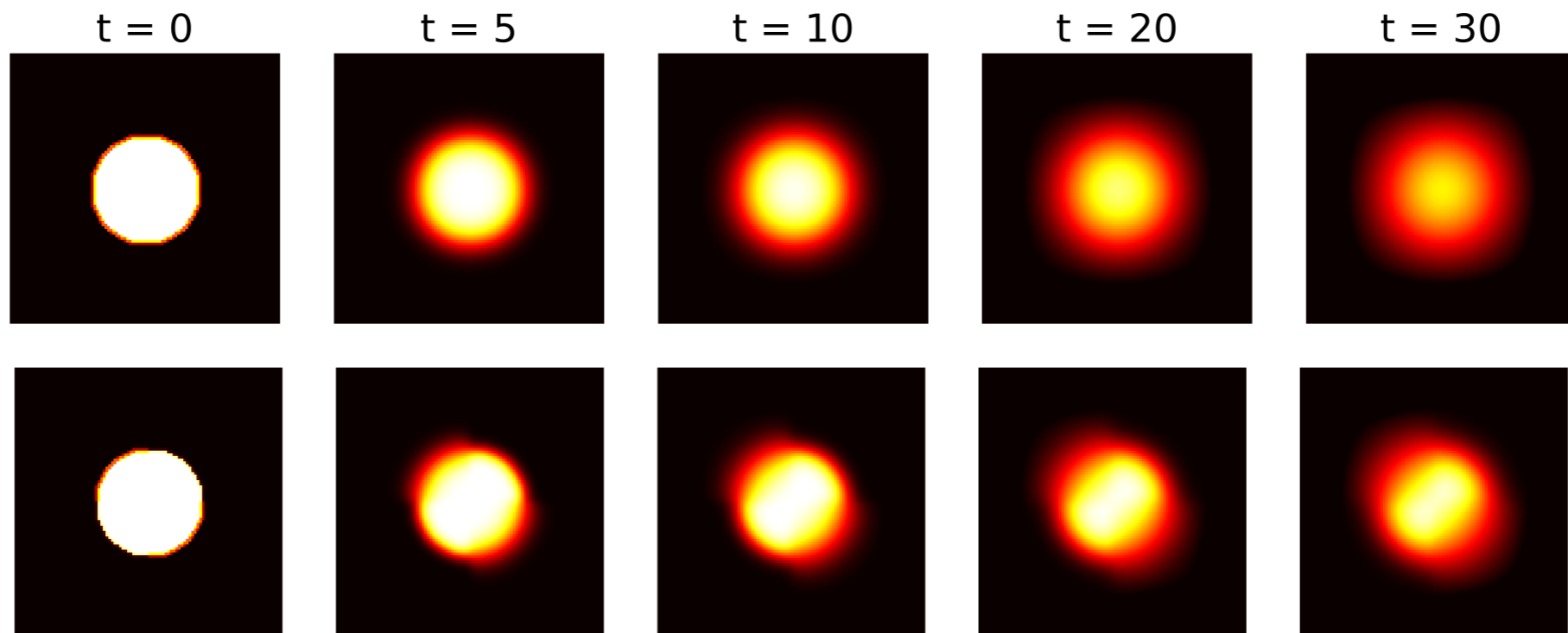
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Symmetry as Inductive Bias



Approximate Symmetry



Definition: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and G be a group. Assume that G acts on X and Y via representations ρ_X and ρ_Y . We say f is ϵ -approximately G -equivariant if for any $g \in G$,

$$\|f(\rho_X(g)(x)) - \rho_Y(g)f(x)\| \leq \epsilon.$$

Equivariant Convolution

- Group Convolution (**G-conv**)

$$f *_G K(g) = \sum_{h \in G} f(h) K(g^{-1}h)$$

- G-conv does not need to precompute an equivariant kernel basis
- But limited to discrete (compact) group, not efficient when the group order is large
- G-Steerable Convolution (**Steer**)

$$K(hx) = \rho_{out}(h) K(x) \rho_{in}(h^{-1})$$

Relaxed Equivariance

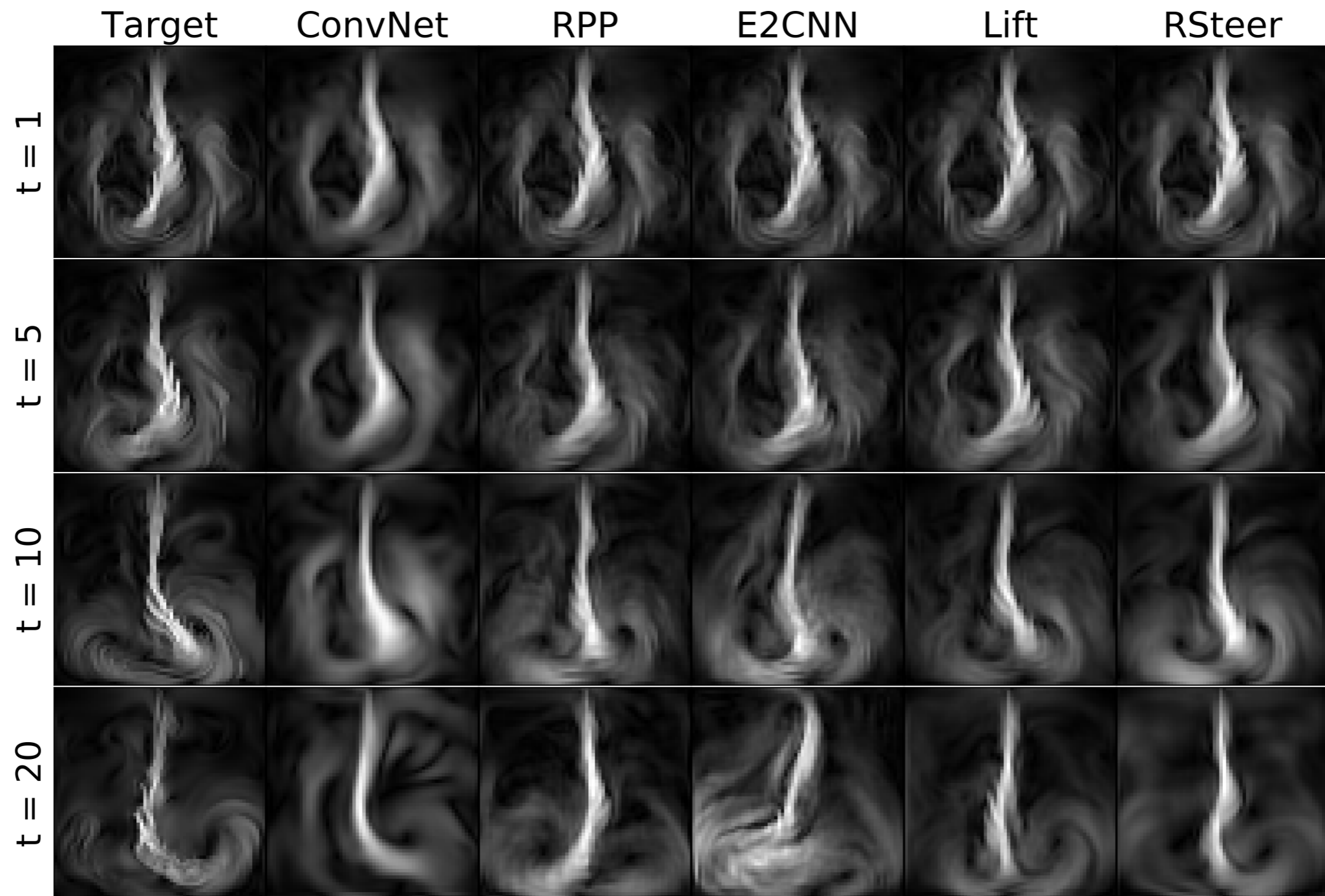
- Relaxed G-conv (**RGroup**):

$$f^{\tilde{*}}_G K(g) = \sum_{h \in G} f(h) \sum_{l=1}^L w_l(h) K_l(g^{-1}h)$$

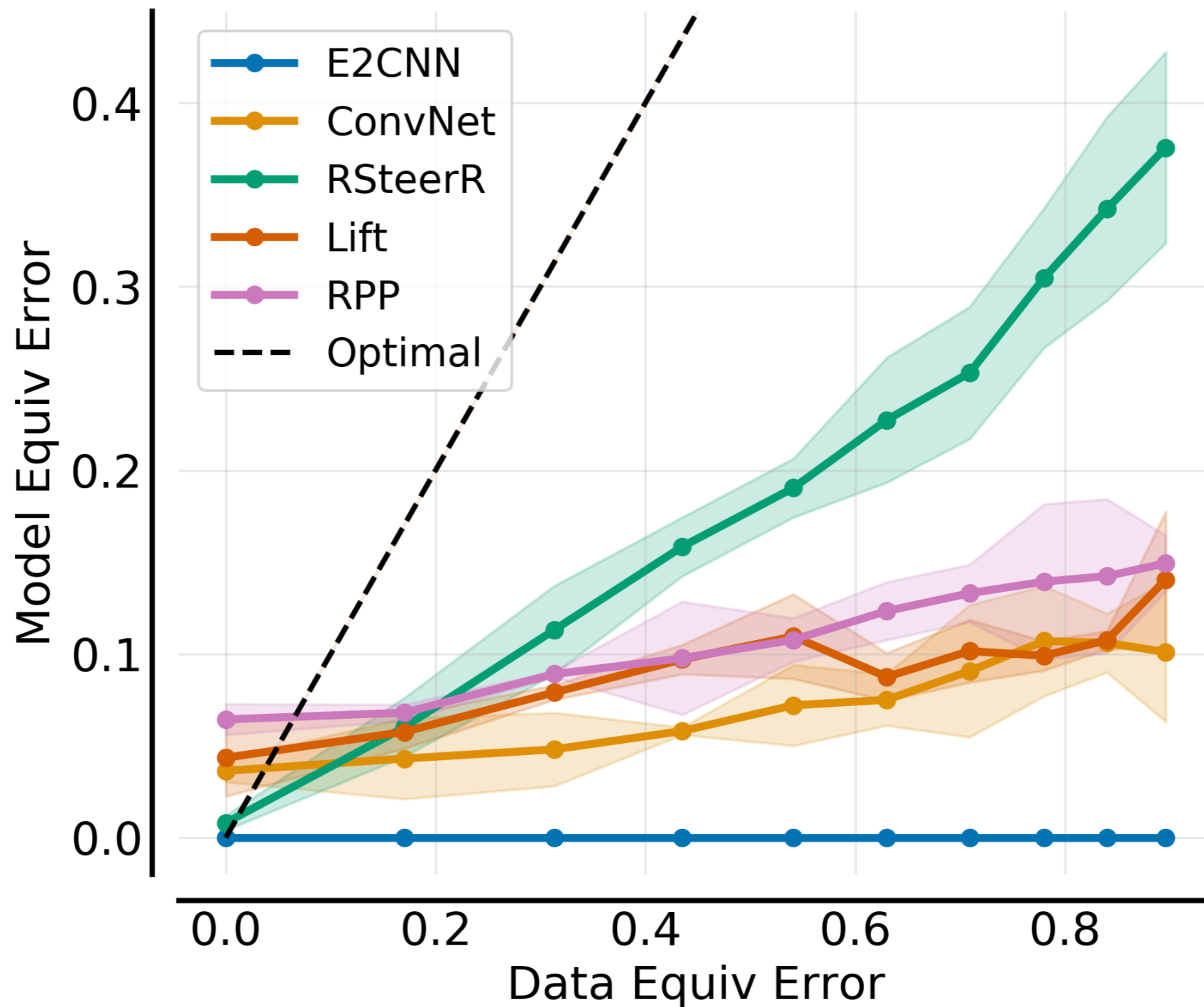
- Relaxed Steerable (**RSteer**):

$$\tilde{K}(hx) = \rho_{out}(h) \sum_{l=1}^L w_l(h) K_l(x) \rho_{in}(h^{-1})$$

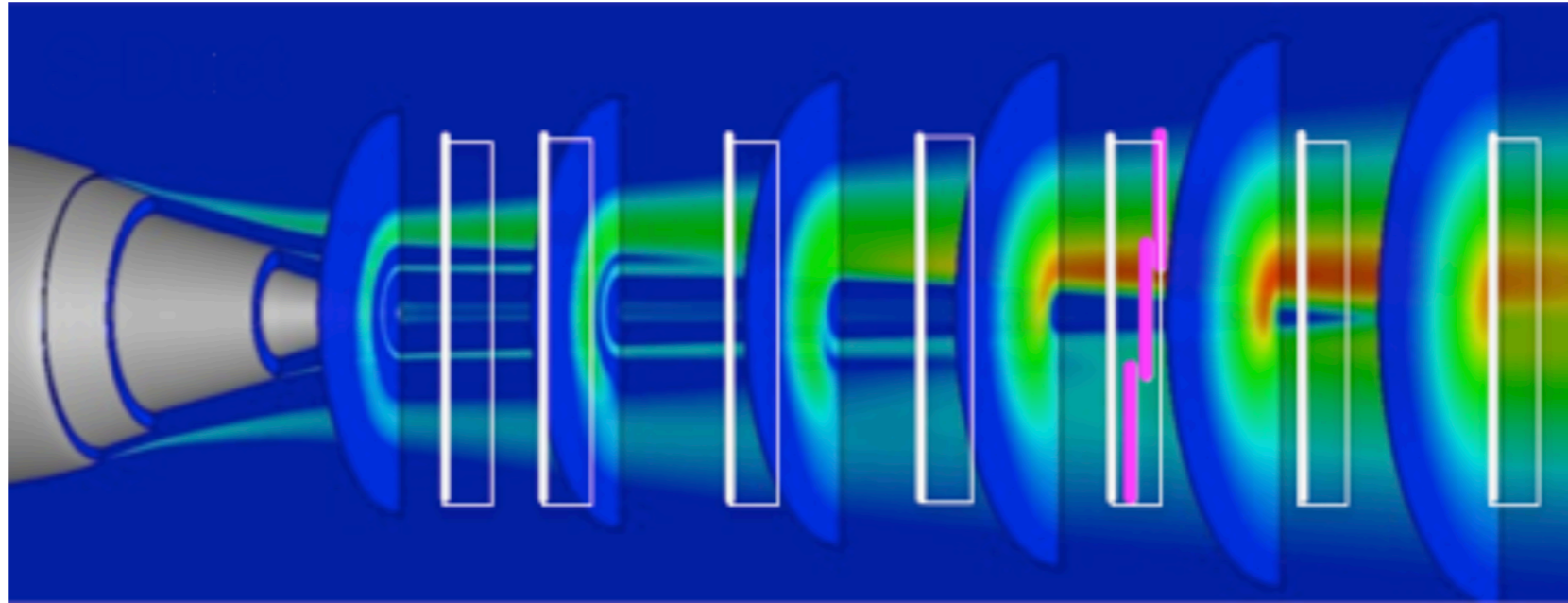
Smoke Plume



Smoke Plume Results



Supersonic Jet Flow



- Real experimental data of 2D turbulent velocity in multi-stream jets from NASA
- Measured using time-solved partial image velocimetry

Prediction Performance

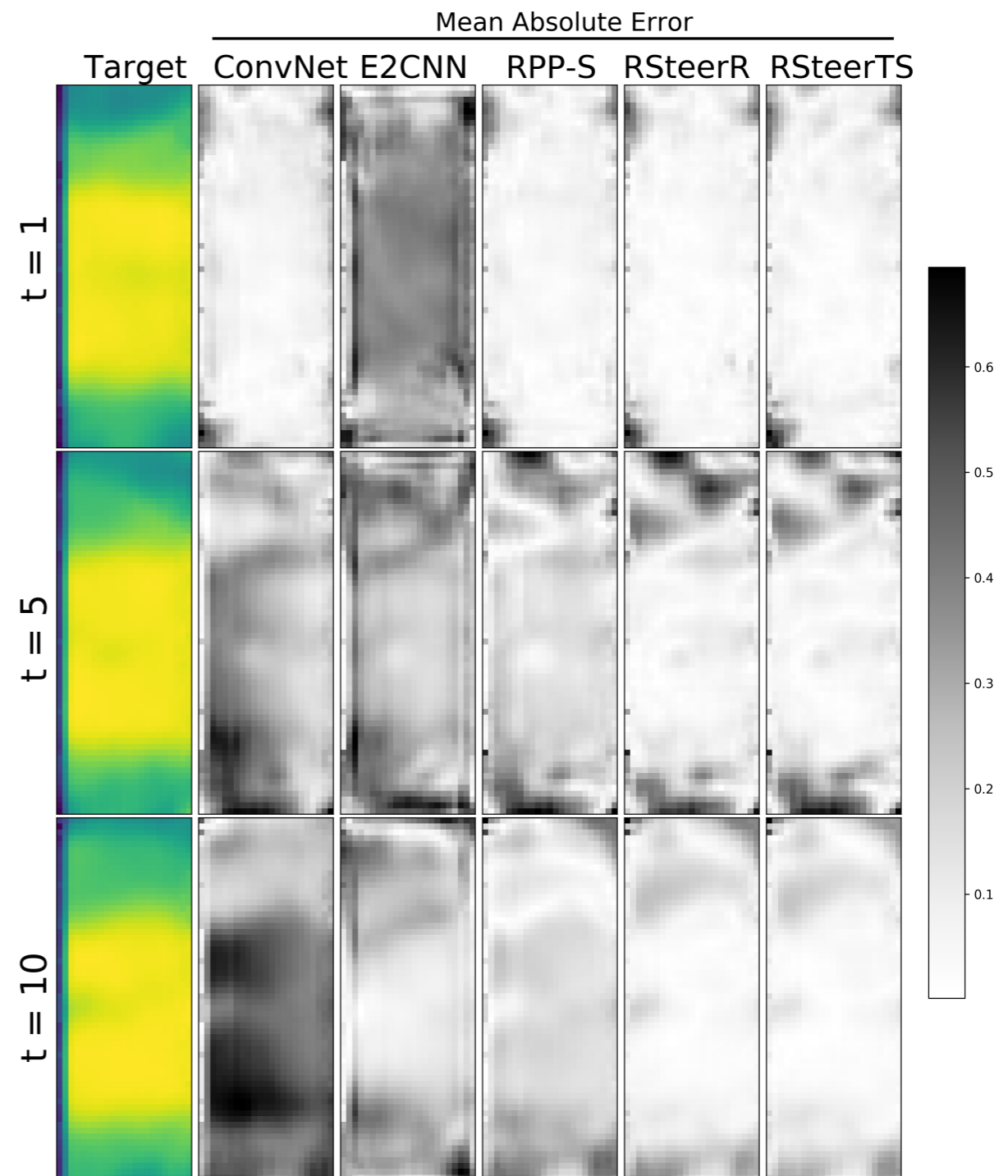
Model	Conv	Lift	RGroup
Translation			
Future	0.22 ± 0.06	0.17 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.00
Domain	0.23 ± 0.06	0.18 ± 0.02	0.16 ± 0.01

E2CNN	Lift	RSteer
Rotation		
0.21 ± 0.02	0.18 ± 0.02	0.17 ± 0.01
0.27 ± 0.03	0.21 ± 0.04	0.16 ± 0.01

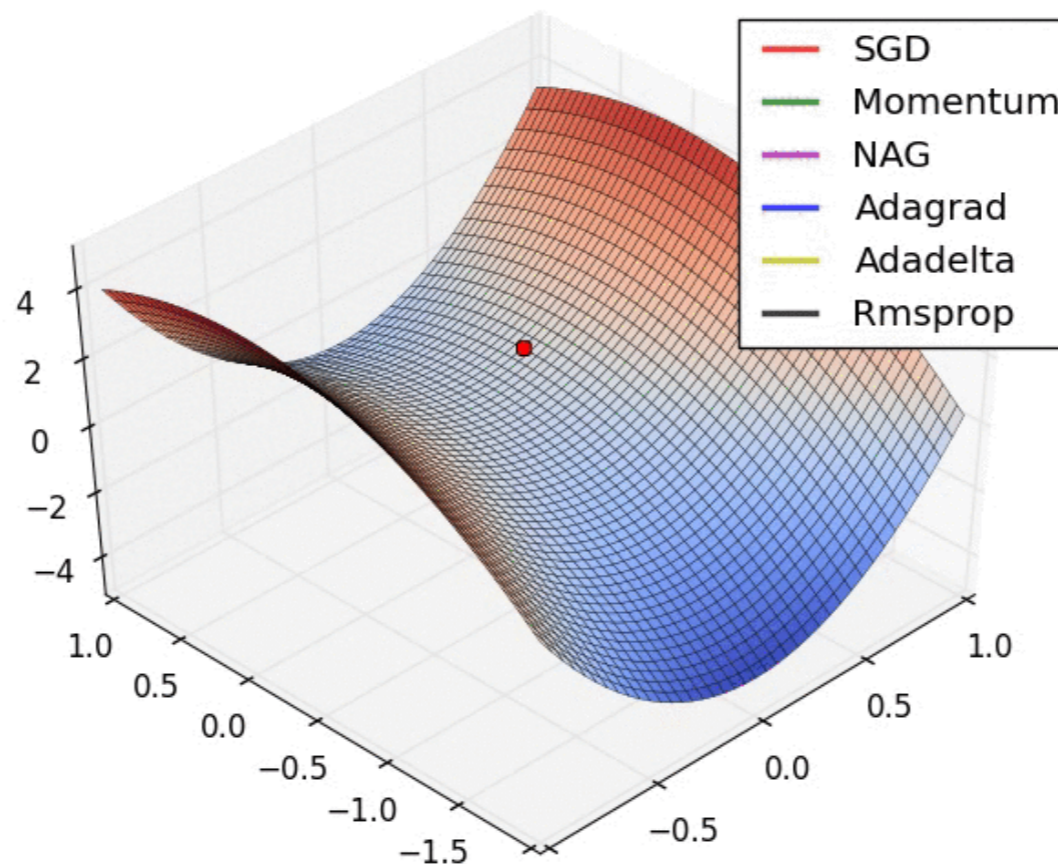
SESN	Rpp	RSteer
Scaling		
0.15 ± 0.00	0.16 ± 0.06	0.14 ± 0.01
0.16 ± 0.01	0.16 ± 0.07	0.15 ± 0.00

RSteerTR	RSteerTS
Combination	
0.14 ± 0.01	0.14 ± 0.02
0.15 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.00

20% better



Symmetry Teleportation for Accelerated Optimization



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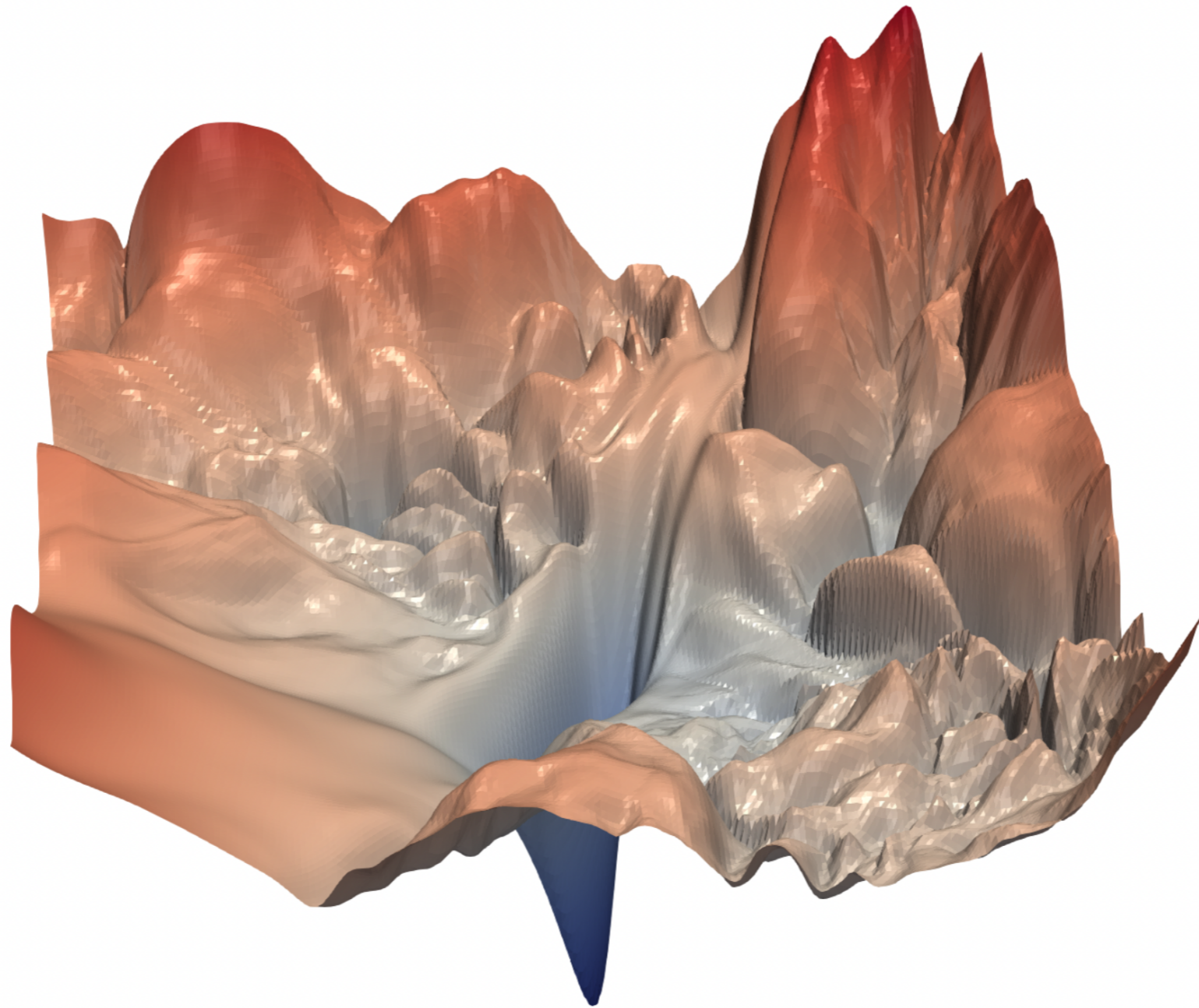
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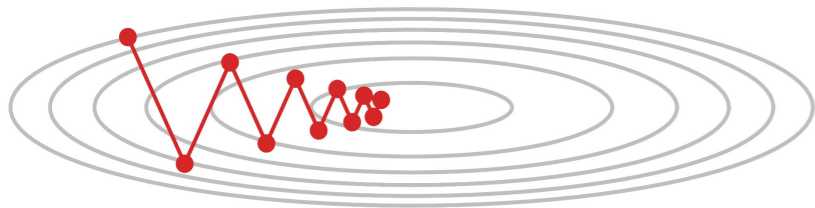
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Optimization in DL is Hard!

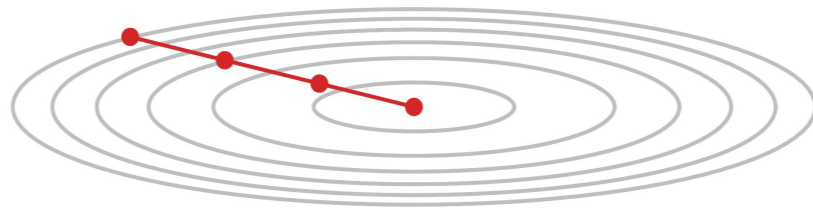


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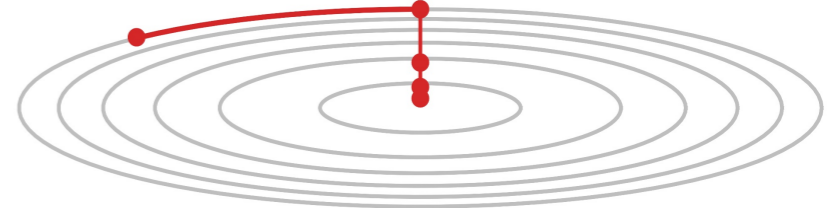
Symmetry Can Help



Gradient Descent



Second-order



GD + Teleportation

Symmetry Teleportation

Algorithm 1: Symmetry Teleportation

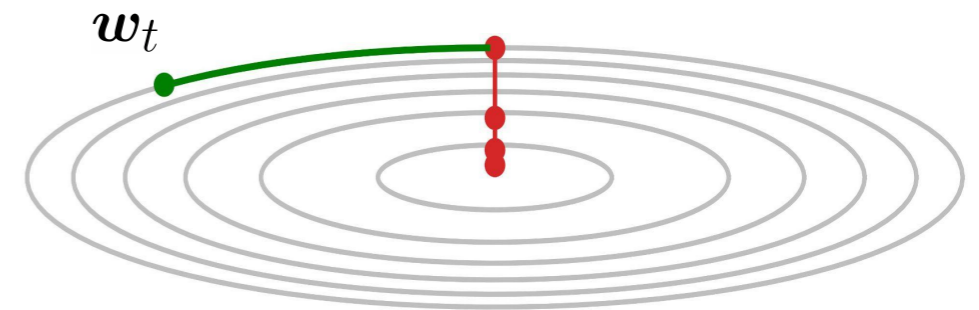
Input: Loss function $\mathcal{L}(w)$, learning rate η , number of epochs t_{max} , initialized parameters w_0 , symmetry group G , teleportation schedule K .

Output: $w_{t_{max}}$.

```
1 for  $t \leftarrow 0$  to  $t_{max} - 1$  do
2   if  $t \in K$  then
3      $g \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{g \in G} \|(\nabla \mathcal{L})|_{g \cdot w_t}\|^2$ 
4      $w_t \leftarrow g \cdot w_t$ 
5   end if
6    $w_{t+1} \leftarrow w_t - \eta(\nabla \mathcal{L})|_{w_t}$ 
7 end for
8 return  $w_{t_{max}}$ 
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teleportation

gradient descent

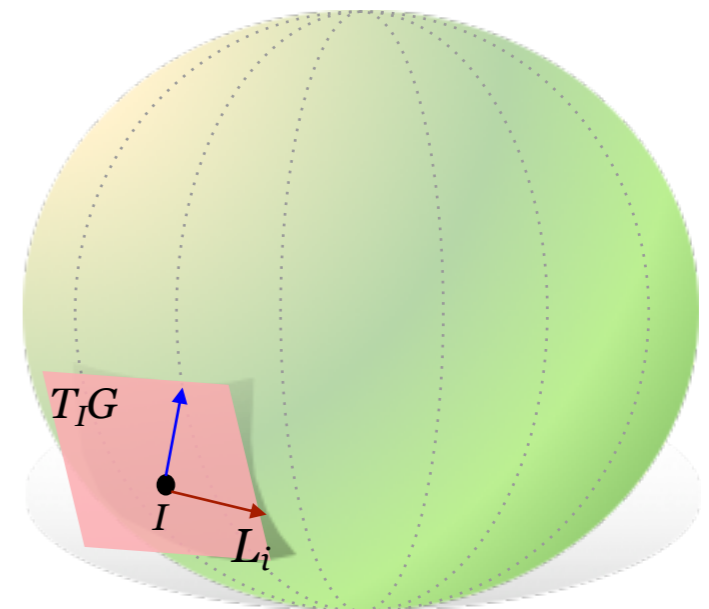


Finding teleportation destination

$$g \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{g \in G} \|(\nabla \mathcal{L})|_{g \cdot \mathbf{w}_t}\|^2$$

Parametrize and gradient ascent on g .

- Example 1: $\text{SO}(2)$, gradient ascent on rotation angle θ
- Example 2: $\text{GL}_d(\mathbb{R})$, $g \approx I + \varepsilon T$ where $\varepsilon \ll 1$ and $T \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$, gradient ascent on T

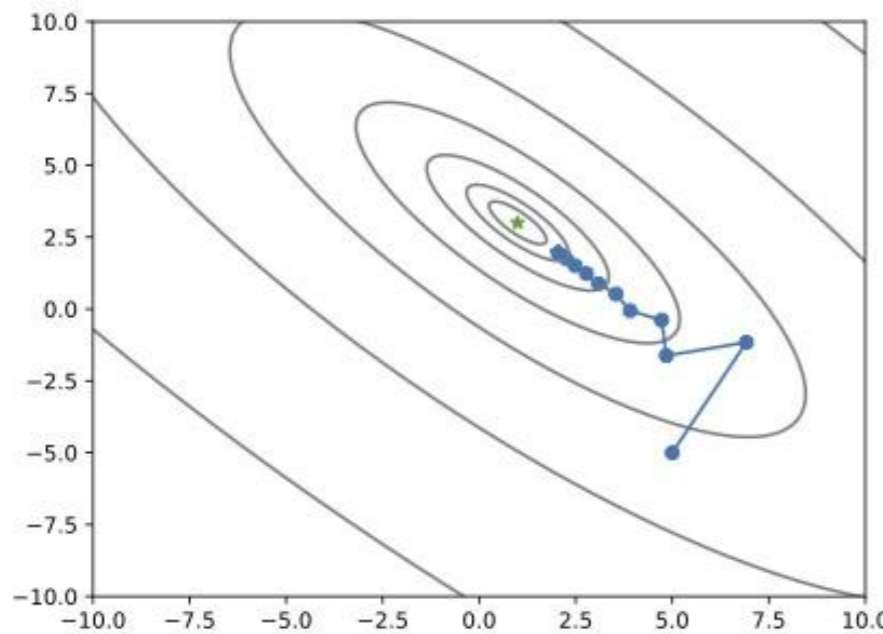


Test function: Booth

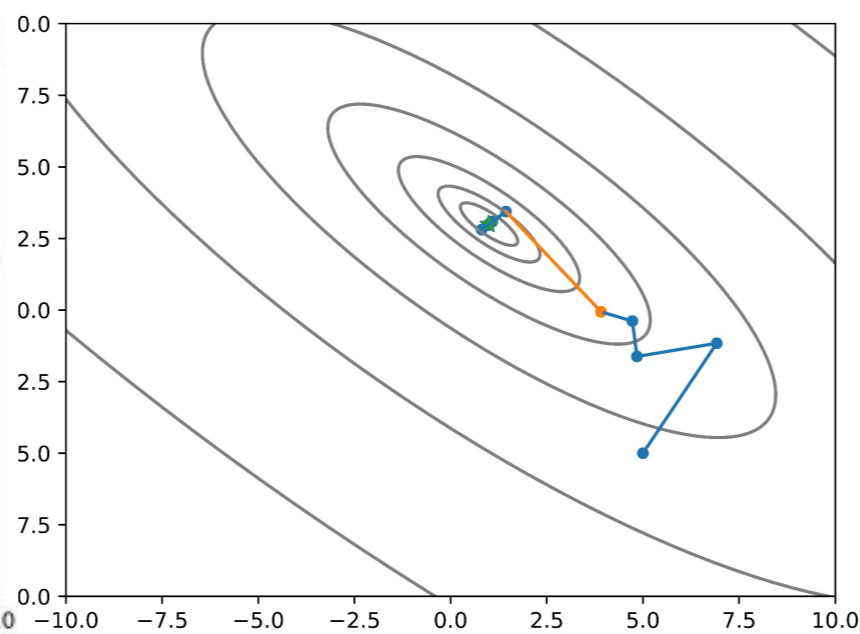
$$\mathcal{L}_b(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + 2x_2 - 7)^2 + (2x_1 + x_2 - 5)^2$$

Symmetry group: $SO(2)$

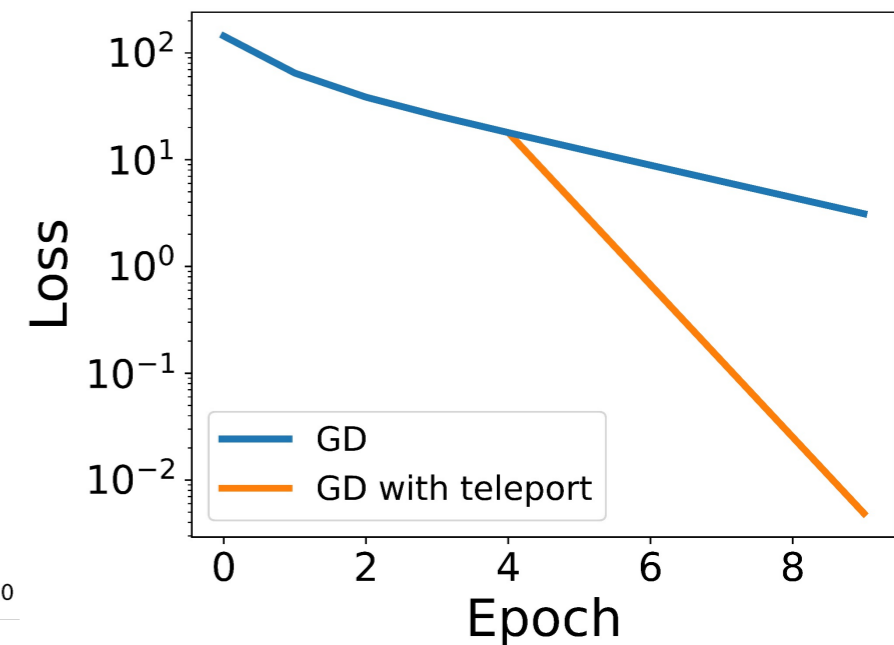
GD



GD + teleportation



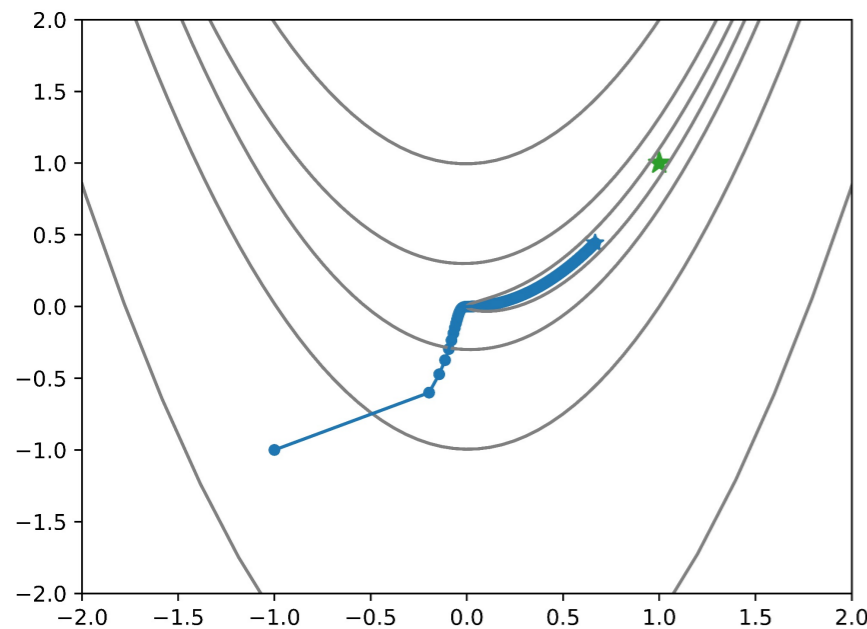
Training curves



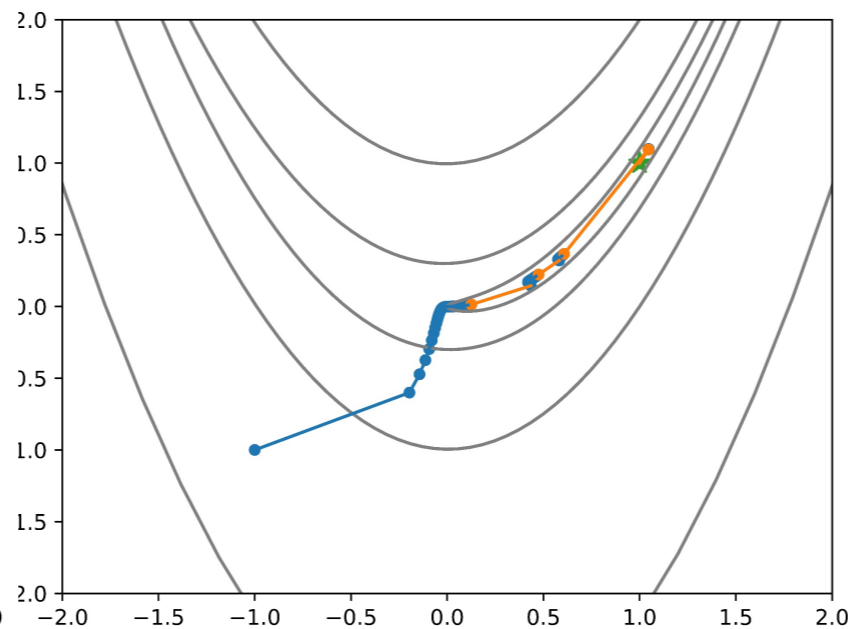
Test function: Rosenbrock

$$\mathcal{L}_r(x_1, x_2) = 100(x_1^2 - x_2)^2 + (x_1 - 1)^2$$

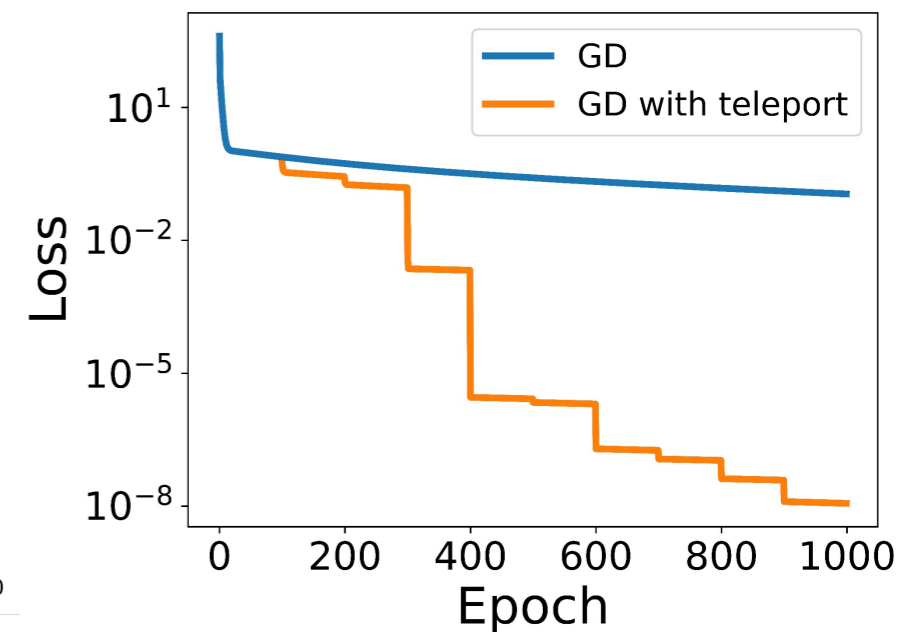
GD



GD with teleportation

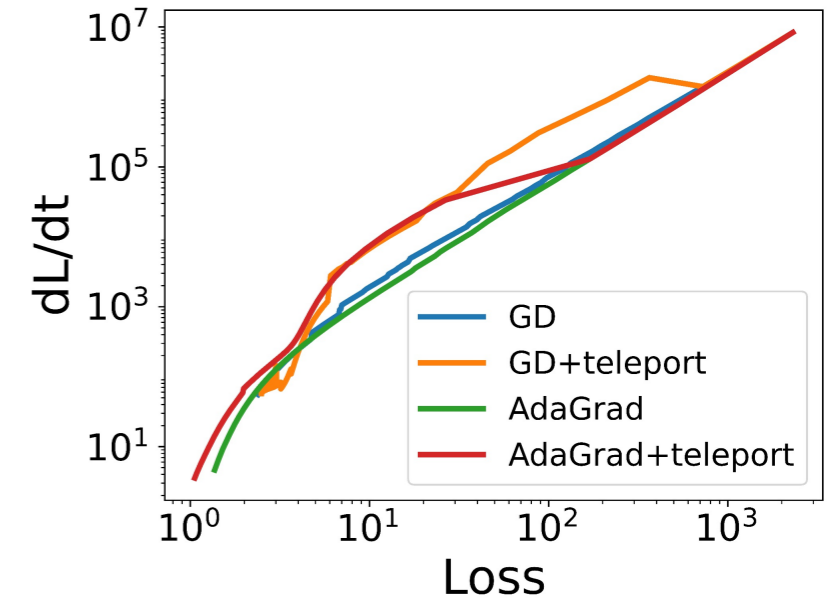
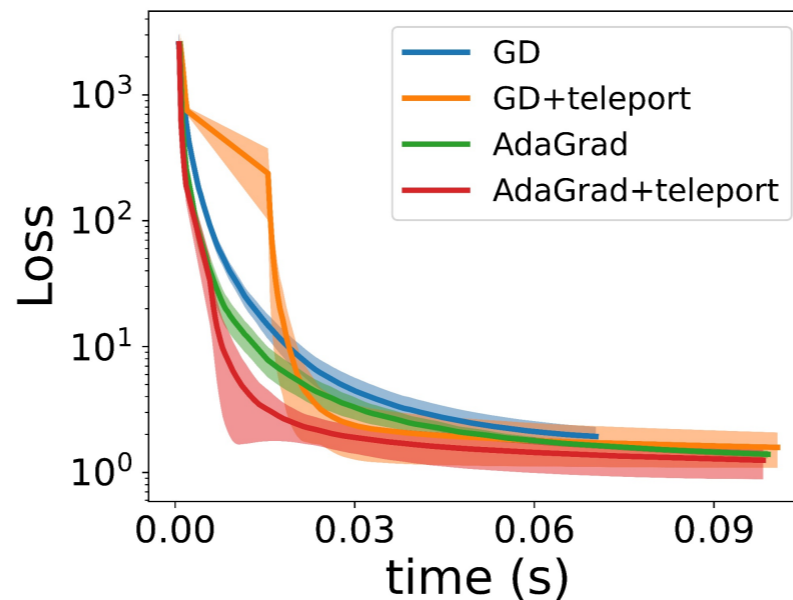
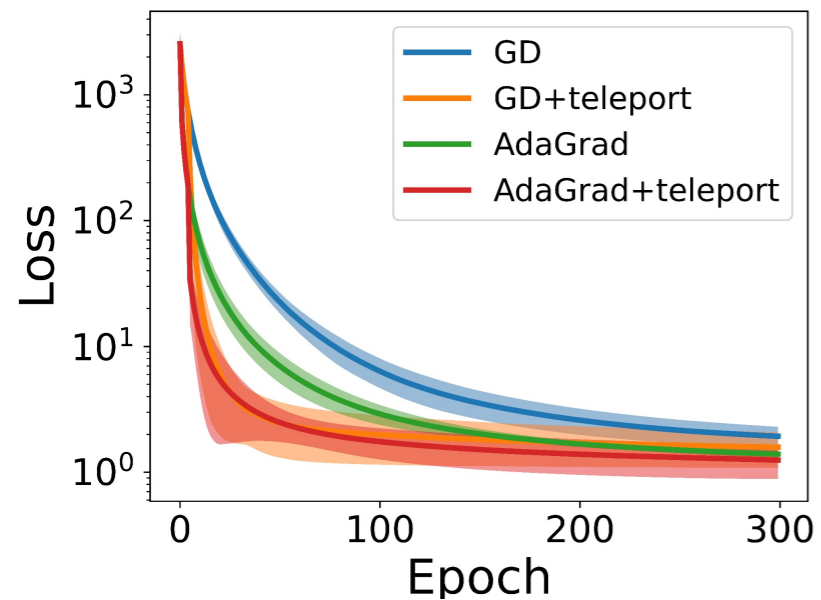


Training curves



Multi-layer neural network regression

$$\mathcal{L}(W_1, W_2, W_3) = \|Y - W_3\sigma(W_2\sigma(W_1X))\|_2$$



Conclusion

- Incorporating **symmetry** in deep learning for learning spatiotemporal dynamics
 - **EquNet**: symmetry in differential equations
 - **Relaxed-EquNet**: approximate symmetry
 - **Teleportation**: symmetry in learning dynamics
- Probabilistic modeling, symmetry discovery, etc...

On Molecules...



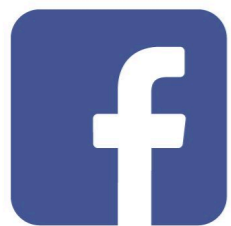
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